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# 7,7,9,9-Tetramethyl-8-thiosulphinyliminothio-1,4-dioxa-8-azaspirol 4,5 Idecane 

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Abstract. $\mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{~S}_{3}, M_{r}=308 \cdot 5$, monoclinic, $P 2_{1} / n, Z=4, a=15.310(2), b=9.477$ (1), $c=$ 10.860 (2) $\AA, \beta=104.58(2)^{\circ}, D_{x}=1.32 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~cm}^{3}$. Final residual $R=0.067$. A new bonding system consisting of one N and three S atoms has been determined. The bonding system is $-\mathrm{S}-\mathrm{N}=\mathrm{S}=\mathrm{S}$ wherein the $S=S$ double-bond distance is $1.912 \AA$ and the $\mathrm{N}=\mathrm{S}=\mathrm{S}$ bond angle is $114.85^{\circ}$.

Introduction. Red crystals of the title compound (I)* were grown from a dilute ether solution. A crystal with dimensions $0.5 \times 0.4 \times 0.5 \mathrm{~mm}$ was selected for the data collection on a Rigaku four-circle diffractometer. 1508 independent reflexions $[F=3 \sigma(F)]$ were collected with the $\omega-2 \theta$ scanning technique with graphite-monochromatized Mo $K$ radiation. The mensities were corrected for Lorentz-polarization but not for absorption. The structure was solved by symbolic addition procedures using 546 reflexions

(I)
with $E \geq 1.54$ and refined by block-diagonal leastsquares procedures. On a subsequent difference Fourier map the positions of all the H atoms were discernible. The final coordinates with their estimated

[^0]Table 1. Final atomic coordinates $\left(\times 10^{4}\right.$ for nonhydrogen atoms and $\times 10^{3}$ for H atoms) with e.s.d.'s in parentheses


Fig. 1. The molecule projected perpendicular to c.

Table 2. Bond lengths ( $\AA$ )

| $\mathrm{S}(1)-\mathrm{N}(1)$ | $1.634(5)$ | $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $1.542(10)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{S}(1)-\mathrm{N}(2)$ | $1.657(6)$ | $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | $1.533(11)$ |
| $\mathrm{S}(2)-\mathrm{S}(3)$ | $1.912(3)$ | $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(9)$ | $1.535(9)$ |
| $\mathrm{S}(2)-\mathrm{N}(2)$ | $1.569(7)$ | $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $1.495(10)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $1.421(8)$ | $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $1.498(8)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | $1.373(10)$ | $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $1.517(10)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(2) \mathrm{C}(3)$ | $1.433(7)$ | $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(10)$ | $1.545(7)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $1.373(11)$ | $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(11)$ | $1.538(9)$ |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $1.500(7)$ | $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $1.456(13)$ |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $1.505(8)$ |  |  |

Table 3. Bond angles $\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$

| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{S}(1)-\mathrm{N}(2)$ | $105 \cdot 7(1)$ | $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(9)$ | $112.6(5)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $108.3(3)$ | $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | $108.7(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | $108.8(3)$ | $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $107.0(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $120.1(4)$ | $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(11)$ | $113.5(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{S}(3)-\mathrm{S}(2)-\mathrm{N}(2)$ | $114.9(1)$ | $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(10)$ | $108.3(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{S}(1)-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $118.8(3)$ | $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $108.5(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(10)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(11)$ | $109.5(4)$ | $\mathrm{S}(1)-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $117.6(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(11)$ | $111.6(4)$ | $\mathrm{S}(1)-\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{S}(2)$ | $119.2(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(10)$ | $105.0(3)$ | $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $109.2(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $115.9(4)$ | $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $108.4(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(9)$ | $108.7(4)$ | $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $11.9(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $110.6(5)$ | $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $110.6(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $116.0(5)$ | $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ | $106 \cdot 1(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(9)$ | $112.9(4)$ | $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $107.4(7)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | $106.6(4)$ | $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | $106.1(7)$ |

standard deviations are given in Table 1.* Fig. 1 shows a drawing of the molecule. The bond lengths and angles are listed in Tables 2 and 3 with their estimated standard deviations.

Discussion. A new stable $-\mathrm{S}-\mathrm{N}=\mathrm{S}=\mathrm{S}$ bond system has been unequivocally determined by X-ray

[^1]analysis.* The $\mathrm{S}(2)-\mathrm{S}(3)$ bond length of $1.912 \AA$ obtained for this compound is significantly shorter than the usual S-S single-bond distance of $2 \cdot 0-2 \cdot 1 \AA$ (Tamura, 1971). Therefore this bond system is thought to exhibit considerable double-bond character. Since no $\mathrm{S}-\mathrm{S}$ double bond is found in the literature, the observed value may be compared with the $\mathrm{P}=\mathrm{S}$ double bond whose length is in the range $1.94-1.98 \AA$ (Lee \& Goodacre, 1971). It should be noted that although $\mathrm{S}(3)$ is divalent, $\mathrm{S}(2)$ is tetravalent and both atoms are directly bonded. The $\mathrm{N}=\mathrm{S}=\mathrm{S}$ bond angle of $114.9^{\circ}$ is smaller than $\mathrm{O}=\mathrm{S}=\mathrm{O}$ or $\mathrm{N}=\mathrm{S}=\mathrm{N}$, which are 120.4 and $117.0^{\circ}$ respectively (Sime \& Abrahams, 1960; Leandri, Busetti, Valle \& Mammi, 1970). This may be due to the repulsive force between $\mathrm{N}(2)$ and $\mathrm{S}(3)$ being weaker than those between the two O or the two N atoms. Tetravalent or hypertetravalent S atoms occur in dimethyl sulphoxide (II) (Thomas, Shoemaker \& Eriks, 1966), dimethylthiathiophthene (III) (Bezzi, Garbuglio, Traverso \& Mammi, 1958), bis(2-carboxyphenyl)sulphur dihydroxide dilactone (IV) (Kálmán, Sasvári \& Kapovits, 1973), and 2 -dimethylsulphuranylidene-1,3-indandione (V) (Christensen \& Thom, 1971). The bond system of the present compound has a topology at the tetravalent $\mathrm{S}(2)$ atom different from those in the above compounds since the linkages on both sides of $S(2)$ show double-bond character.


Therefore, it can be said that the bond system at the S atom in the $p, p^{\prime}$-ditolyl derivative (VI) (Leandri et al., 1970) is similar to that of the present compound.

Very few data on the $\mathrm{S}=\mathrm{N}$ bond distance have been published. The present value can only be compared with the results of Leandri et al. (1970) of 1.56 and $1.53 \AA$. These values are shorter than other reported $\mathrm{S}-\mathrm{N}$ bonds, ranging from 1.60 to $1.76 \AA$ (Tamura, 1971).
$S(1), N(2), S(2)$ and $S(3)$ are fairly planar with a maximum deviation of $0.001 \AA$ from the least-squares plane. $\mathrm{N}(1)$ deviates $0.084 \AA$ from this plane. The

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(a)

(b)


Fig. 2. Newman projections and molecular structures viewed down the $\mathrm{S}(1)-\mathrm{N}(1)$ bond.
torsional angle $\mathrm{S}(1)-\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{S}(2)-\mathrm{S}(3)$ is $0.2^{\circ}$ which is cis with respect to the $\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{S}(2)$ bond. This may be due to the presence of some sort of S $\cdots$ S intramolecular interaction, as the nonbonded distance of $3.194 \AA$ is shorter than corresponding distances in the compounds 1,4-dithiane (VII) (Marsh, 1955), 1,4dithiane 1,4-dioxide (VIII) (Montgomery, 1960) and $4 H$-cyclopental $2,1-b: 3,4-b^{\prime}$ ]dithiophene (IX) (Koster, van Bolhuis \& Visser, 1970) whose two S atoms are cis or gauche. In addition, the shortest intermolecular $\mathrm{S} \cdots \mathrm{S}$ distance published is given as $3.36 \AA$ (Johnson \& Paul, 1970).

(VII)

(VIII)

(IX)

Sletten (1975, 1976) has studied intramolecular S $\cdots$ S bonding and partial-bonding systems extensively. Values for these atomic distances are continuously distributed from 2.06 to $3.00 \AA$. Therefore, all the $\mathrm{S}-\mathrm{S}$ interatomic distances, including the single bond, double bond, partial-bonding and nonbonding interactions, are continuously spread over a very wide range of values, from 1.91 to $3.4 \AA$, which may be due to special characteristics of the $d$-orbital electrons of the $S$ atoms.

Conformational studies of the related 2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidine derivatives (X), (XI), and (XII) have been made (Sato, Yoshioka \& Tamura, 1975). The six-membered-ring system in the present compound has nearly a chair form wherein the best four-atom plane is made up by $\mathrm{C}(1), \mathrm{C}(2), \mathrm{C}(4)$ and $\mathrm{C}(5)$, and
the maximum deviation is $0.004 \AA . \mathrm{N}(1)$ and $\mathrm{C}(3)$ deviate 0.540 and $-0.608 \AA$ from this plane. The conformational aspects of this ring system are similar to those of 1 -benzenesulphenyl-2,2,6,6-tetramethyl-4piperidinone (X). As shown in Fig. 2, the Newman projection of the present compound viewed down the $\mathrm{S}(1)-\mathrm{N}(1)$ bond is gauche while (X) is eclipsed. The deviation of the N atom from the $\mathrm{S}(1), \mathrm{C}(1), \mathrm{C}(5)$ least-squares plane is $0.168 \AA$, which is more similar to that in 1 -benzenesulphinyl-2,2,6,6-tetramethyl-4piperidinone (XI), $0 \cdot 144 \AA$, and that in 1 -benzene-sulphonyl-2,2,6,6-tetramethyl-4-piperidinone (XII), $0.175 \AA$, than to that in (X), $0.343 \AA$.


Short intermolecular atomic contacts are $\mathrm{S}(2) \ldots$ $\mathrm{C}(9), 3.734, \mathrm{~N}(2) \cdots \mathrm{O}(2), 3.562, \mathrm{~N}(2) \cdots \mathrm{C}(7), 3.613$, and $\mathrm{C}(8) \cdots \mathrm{O}(1), 3.654 \AA$, values which are within the range of normal van der Waals contacts.

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[^0]:    * (I) was prepared by reaction of the corresponding N -unsubstituted piperidine with sulphur monochloride followed by treatment with aqueous ammonia. The details will be published elsewhere.

[^1]:    * Lists of structure factors and anisotropic thermal parameters have been deposited with the British Library Lending Division as Supplementary Publication No. SUP 32888 ( 13 pp .). Copies may be obtained through The Executive Secretary, International Union of Crystallography, 13 White Friars, Chester CHI INZ, England.

[^2]:    * An analogous bond system has been reported for $p$-dimethylaminoaniline (Barton \& Robson, 1974) and hindered aniline derivatives (Inagaki, Okazaki \& Inamoto, 1977).

