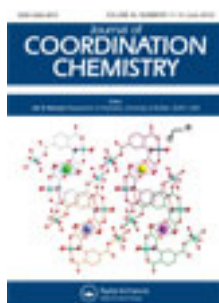


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Two lead(II)-thiocyanato coordination polymers with 5,5'-dimethyl-2,2'-bipyridine (5,5'-dm-2,2'-bpy) and 4,4'-dimethoxy-2,2'-bipyridine (4,4'-dmo-2,2'-bpy) as chelating ligands were synthesized and characterized by elemental analysis, IR and ¹H-NMR spectroscopy, thermal behavior, and X-ray crystallography. These complexes have formulas [Pb(5,5'-dm-2,2'-bpy)(NCS)₂]_n (**1**) and [Pb(4,4'-dmo-2,2'-bpy)(NCS)₂]_n (**2**). The coordination numbers of Pb^{II} in **1** and **2** are four, PbN₄, with “stereo-chemically active” electron pairs and hemidirected coordination spheres. Considering Pb···S as weak bonds, **1** and **2** are 1- and 2-D coordination polymers, respectively. The supramolecular features in these complexes are guided/controlled by weak directional intermolecular interactions.

Keywords: Coordination polymers; Substituted 2,2'-bipyridine; Lead(II)

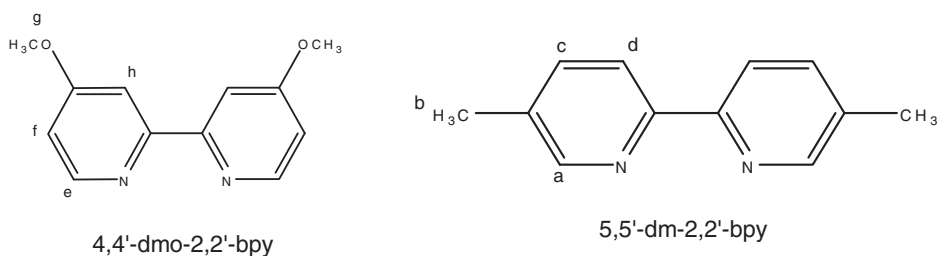
1. Introduction

Metal–organic frameworks (MOFs) have achieved considerable progress in crystal engineering and supramolecular chemistry due to their fascinating structures and interesting functional properties [1–10]. Some publications have reviewed various MOFs built by transition metals [5–8] or main-group metals [9, 10].

The structures and properties of coordination polymers depend on coordination and geometries of metal ions and connecting ligands, as well as on the influence of secondary interactions such as hydrogen bonding and π – π stacking interactions [11]. Several factors, including coordination bonds and secondary interactions, metal-to-ligand molar ratio, the coordination of ligands, the type of metal ions, the presence of solvent, counterions, and organic guest molecules affect the design and synthesis of metal-coordination polymers [12, 13].

Lead(II) contains the 6s² lone pair, which can cause distortion in coordination sphere [14–16] and frequently discussed in “stereo-chemical activity” of valence shell electron lone pairs [17–19]. In 1998, Shimoni-Livny discussed the possible stereo-chemical

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Scheme 1. Schematic representation of employed ligands.

activity of the lone pair of lead(II) compounds based on a thorough review of crystal data available in the CSD. They classify lead coordination as holodirected which refers to complexes in which the bonds to ligand atoms are directed throughout the surface of encompassing sphere, while hemidirected refers to those cases where the bonds to ligands are directed only to a part of the coordination sphere, leaving a gap in the distribution of bonds to the ligand [20].

We have synthesized several $[\text{Pb}(\text{L})_2(\text{anion})_2]$ complexes (L = substituted 2,2'-bipyridine) [21]. In particular, research has concentrated on 5,5'-dimethyl-2,2'-bipyridine and 4,4'-dimethoxy-2,2'-bipyridine ligands (scheme 1) with thiocyanate for new lead(II) coordination polymers.

2. Experimental

2.1. Materials and measurements

All chemicals were of reagent grade and used without purification. FT-IR spectra were collected on a Mattson 1000 spectrophotometer using KBr pellets from 4000 to 450 cm^{-1} . Elemental analyses (C, H, and N) were performed using a Carlo ERBA model EA 1108 analyzer; ^1H NMR spectra were obtained with a Bruker spectrometer at 250 MHz in $[\text{D}_6]\text{DMSO}$. Thermal analyses were carried out on a Perkin-Elmer instrument (Seiko Instruments).

2.2. Preparation of $[\text{Pb}(5,5'\text{-dm-2,2'-bpy})(\text{NCS})_2]_n$ (1)

5,5'-Dimethyl-2,2'-bipyridine (0.184 g, 1 mmol) was placed in one arm of a branched tube [21d], lead(II) acetate (0.190 g, 0.5 mmol) and potassium thiocyanate (0.097 g, 1 mmol) in the other. Methanol and water ratio (3 : 2) was carefully added to fill both arms; the tube was then sealed and the ligand-containing arm was immersed in a bath at 60°C while the other was at ambient temperature. After 3 days, crystals deposited in the cooler arm were filtered off, washed with acetone and ether, and dried in air; yield: 56%. Analysis: Found (%): C: 33.34, H: 2.20, N: 11.24. Calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_4\text{PbS}_2$ (%): C: 33.10, H: 2.36, N, 11.03. IR (cm^{-1}) selected bands: 670(s), 800(vs) (C–H), 1050(vs), 1230(vs) 1340, 1430, 1580 (s, aromatic ring), 2030–2050 (br, thiocyanate), 2880 (w, C–H

aliphatic), 3020 (w, C–H aromatic). ^1H NMR (DMSO, δ): 8.49 (s, 2H, a), 8.23 (d, 2H, d), 7.73 (d, 2H, c), 2.32 (s, 6H, b) ppm.

2.3. Preparation of $[\text{Pb}(4,4'\text{-dmo-2,2'}\text{-bpy})(\text{NCS})_2]_n$ (**2**)

Complex **2** was synthesized in the same way as **1** using 4,4'-dimethoxy-2,2'-bipyridine instead of 5,5'-dimethyl-2,2'-bipyridine; yield: 68%. Analysis: Found (%): C: 31.43, H: 2.45, N: 10.69. Calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_4\text{O}_2\text{PbS}_2$ (%): C: 31.13, H: 2.22, N: 10.38. IR (cm^{-1}) selected bands: 780(s), 820(vs) (C–H), 1000(vs), 1250(vs) 1330, 1450, 1600 (s, aromatic ring), 2030–2050 (br, thiocyanate), 2910, 2940 (w, C–H aliphatic), 3030 (w, C–H aromatic). ^1H NMR (DMSO, δ): 8.56 (s, 2H, e), 7.96 (s, 2H, h), 7.13 (d, 2H, f), 3.90 (s, 6H, g) ppm.

2.4. Crystallography

Data were collected at room temperature with a Bruker APEX II CCD area-detector diffractometer using Mo-K α radiation ($\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$). Data collection, cell refinement, data reduction, and absorption corrections were performed using multiscan methods with Bruker software [22]. The structures were solved by direct methods using SIR2004 [23].

Non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically by full-matrix least-squares on F^2 using SHELXL-97 [24]. All hydrogen atoms were placed at calculated positions and constrained to ride on their parent atoms. Details concerning collection and analysis are reported in table 1.

3. Results and discussion

3.1. Spectroscopic studies

The reaction of lead(II) thiocyanate with 5,5'-dimethyl-2,2'-bipyridine (5,5'-dm-2,2'-bpy) and 4,4'-dimethoxy-2,2'-bipyridine (4,4'-dmo-2,2'-bpy) yielded crystalline materials, **1** and **2**. Infrared (IR) spectra display characteristic absorptions for chelating ligands and thiocyanate. Relatively weak absorptions at 3020 and 3030 cm^{-1} are due to C–H aromatic rings of **1** and **2**, respectively. C–H modes involving aliphatic hydrogen atoms of 5,5'-dm-2,2'-bpy and 4,4'-dmo-2,2'-bpy are at 2880, 2910, and 2940 cm^{-1} . Absorptions with variable intensity at 1400–1620 cm^{-1} correspond to aromatic ring vibrations of 5,5'-dm-2,2'-bpy and 4,4'-dmo-2,2'-bpy. IR spectra display very strong absorptions at 2050 cm^{-1} due to asymmetric stretching vibration, $\nu(\text{C}\equiv\text{N})$ of coordinated thiocyanate. The $\nu(\text{C}\equiv\text{N})$ are most consistent with N-bonded thiocyanate (for S-bonded thiocyanate the $\nu(\text{C}\equiv\text{N})$ frequencies range from 2110 to 2140 cm^{-1} , whereas in N-bonded the $\nu(\text{C}\equiv\text{N}) < 2110 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ [25, 26]). This is also confirmed by X-ray (section 3.3). ^1H NMR spectra of the DMSO solutions of **1** and **2** at 6.59–8.51 ppm display three different protons of py groups of the substituted 2,2'-bipyridines. In spectra of the compounds, bands at 2.33 for **1** and 3.91 for **2** ppm are assigned to protons of $-\text{CH}_3$ groups of substituted 2,2'-bipyridines.

Table 1. Crystal data and structure refinement for **1** and **2**.

	1	2
Identification code	[Pb(5,5'-dm-2,2'-bpy)(NCS) ₂] _n	[Pb(4,4'-dmo-2,2'-bpy)(NCS) ₂] _n
Empirical formula	C ₁₄ H ₁₂ N ₄ PbS ₂	C ₁₄ H ₁₂ N ₄ O ₂ PbS ₂
Formula weight	507.59	539.59
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Monoclinic
Space group	<i>C2/c</i>	<i>P2₁/c</i>
Unit cell dimensions (Å, °)		
<i>a</i>	22.412(6)	10.381(2)
<i>b</i>	7.343(2)	13.677(2)
<i>c</i>	21.271(6)	11.979(3)
α	90.00	90.00
β	114.29(2)	109.03 (1)
γ	90.00	90.00
Volume (Å ³), <i>Z</i>	3190.7, 8	1607.84, 4
Calculated density (g cm ⁻³)	2.113	2.229
Absorption coefficient (mm ⁻¹)	10.834	10.766
<i>F</i> (000)	1904	1016
θ range for data collection (°)	2.95–27.00	2.55–27.64
Limiting indices	–28 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 28 –9 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 9 –27 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 27	–13 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 13 –17 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 17 –15 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 15
Reflections collected	58,286	47,309
Independent reflections	3479 [<i>R</i> (int) = 0.0371]	3701 [<i>R</i> (int) = 0.0409]
Completeness to $\theta = 25.02$ (%)	99.7	98.9
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on <i>F</i> ²	Full-matrix least-squares on <i>F</i> ²
Data/restraints/parameters	3479/0/190	3701/0/204
Goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> ²	1.177	1.037
Final <i>R</i> indices [<i>I</i> > 2 σ (<i>I</i>)]	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0147, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.0387	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0652, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.1824
<i>R</i> indices (all data)	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0163, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.0396	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0674, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.1840
Largest difference peak and hole (e Å ⁻³)	0.93 and –0.72	9.66 and –4.95

3.2. Thermal studies

Thermogravimetric analyses (TGA) for these complexes were performed on polycrystalline samples under nitrogen. Compounds **1** (see, e.g., figure 1S) and **2** are thermally stable till 180°C. The thermal decompositions follow three steps in the temperature range 180–420°C corresponding to exothermic decomposition. The mass loss calculations as well as microanalyses suggest that the residue at 600°C is PbO and total mass loss of 47.10% for **1** (Calcd 44.20%) and 42.14% for **2** (Calcd 41.3%), respectively, agrees well with the structures. These compounds are potential precursors for lead oxides materials.

3.3. Crystal structures of **1** and **2**

Compounds **1** and **2** were shown by single crystal X-ray diffraction to crystallize with the monoclinic space groups *C2/c* and *P2₁/c*, respectively. ORTEP diagrams of **1** and **2** are shown in figures 1 and 2, respectively. Selected bond distances and angles are listed in table 2.

Each Pb²⁺ is coordinated by two nitrogen atoms of “5,5'-dm-2,2'-bpy” in **1**, “4,4'-dmo-2,2'-bpy” in **2**, and two nitrogen atoms of two “NCS⁻”. The thiocyanates are *trans* in **1**, but *cis* in **2** (figures 1a and 2a). Each Pb in these structures have four “normal”

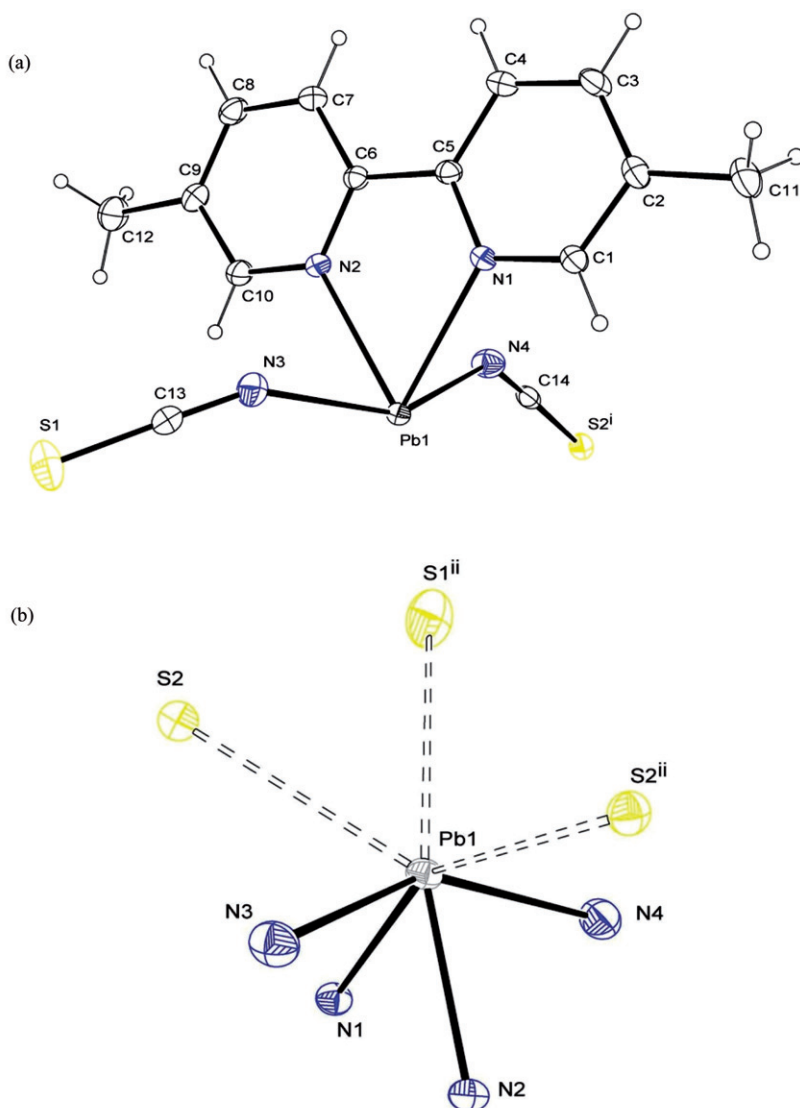


Figure 1. (a) ORTEP drawing of **1**; (b) representation of the hole in the coordination sphere of **1**.

Pb–N bonds and three “weak” Pb···S bonds, with distances $\text{Pb1}\cdots\text{S2}^{\text{ii}} = 3.234(1)$, $\text{Pb1}\cdots\text{S2} = 3.269(1)$, and $\text{Pb1}\cdots\text{S1}^{\text{ii}} = 3.694(2)$ Å for **1** and $\text{Pb1}\cdots\text{S1}^{\text{i}} = 3.304(5)$, $\text{Pb1}\cdots\text{S2}^{\text{ii}} = 3.320(4)$, and $\text{Pb1}\cdots\text{S1}^{\text{ii}} = 3.428(2)$ Å for **2** (table 2). These Pb···S interactions are significantly shorter than those found in other lead(II) thiocyanate complexes [25, 27]. The coordination number of Pb^{II} is seven (two nitrogen atoms of dmbpy, two nitrogen atoms, and three sulfur atoms of thiocyanates (figures 1b and 2b)). Lengths of four Pb–N bonds are different from the three Pb–S bonds, suggesting the existence of a stereochemically active lone pair. The shortening of the Pb–X bonds on the side of Pb^{II} ion opposite to the putative lone pair supports its presence [28, 29].

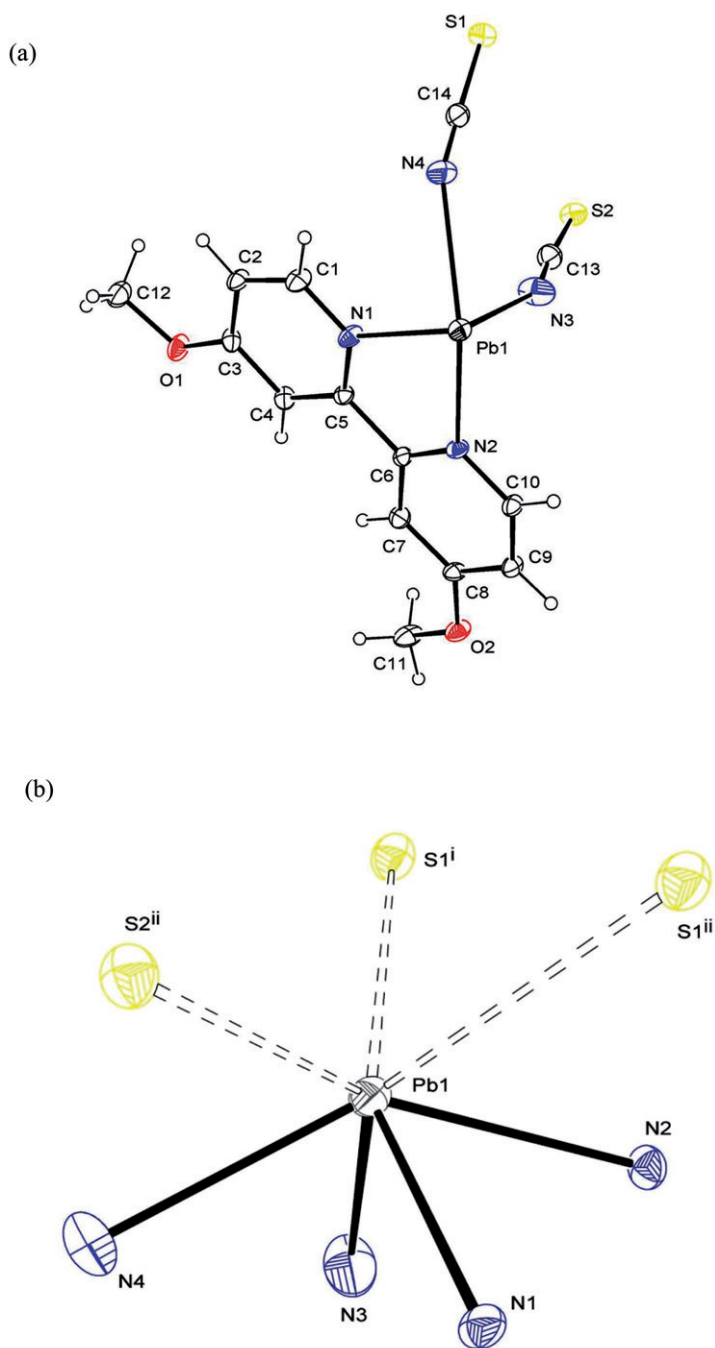


Table 2. Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for **1** and **2**.

1		2	
Pb1–N1	2.459(2)	Pb1–N3	2.390(1)
Pb1–N3	2.463(3)	Pb1–N1	2.470(1)
Pb1–N2	2.469(3)	Pb1–N2	2.511(9)
Pb1–N4	2.680(3)	Pb1–N4	2.652(1)
Pb1...S2 ⁱ	3.234(1)	Pb1...S1 ⁱ	3.304(5)
Pb1...S2	3.269(1)	Pb1...S2 ⁱⁱ	3.320(4)
Pb1...S1 ⁱⁱ	3.694(2)	Pb1...S1 ⁱⁱ	3.428(2)
N1–Pb1–N3	93.08(8)	N3–Pb1–N1	87.2(5)
N1–Pb1–N2	66.12(7)	N3–Pb1–N2	77.0(4)
N3–Pb1–N2	75.00(8)	N1–Pb1–N2	65.1(3)
N1–Pb1–N4	78.07(8)	N3–Pb1–N4	73.3(5)
N3–Pb1–N4	149.85(9)	N1–Pb1–N4	83.7(4)
N2–Pb1–N4	75.07(8)	N2–Pb1–N4	137.5(4)

Symmetry codes for **1**: ⁱ $x, 1 + y, z$; ⁱⁱ $0.5 - x, 0.5 + y, 1.5 - z$; for **2**: ⁱ $x, 0.5 - y, -0.5 + z$; ⁱⁱ $2 - x, -0.5 + y, 0.5 - z$.

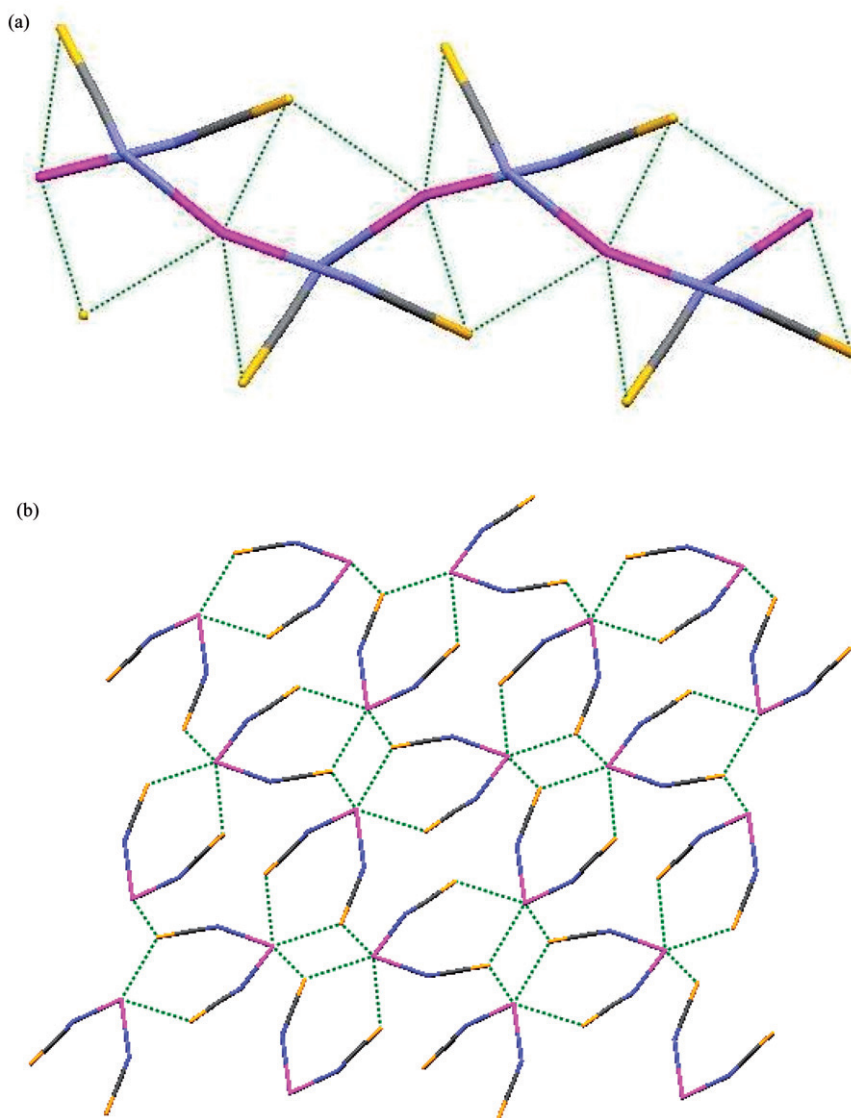
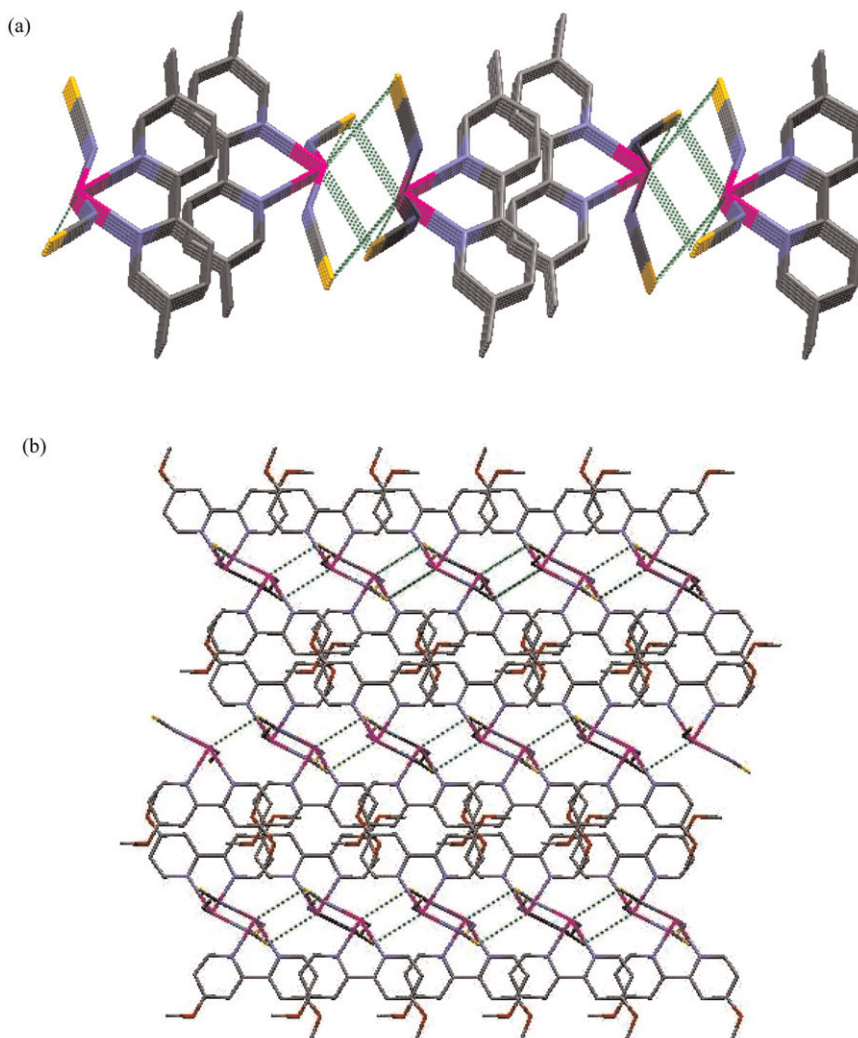


Figure 3. Coordination mode of thiocyanate in (a) **1** and (b) **2**.

Table 3. Intermolecular interactions for **1** and **2**.

A...H-B	A...H (Å)	A...B (Å)	A...H-B (°)
1			
S2...H1-C1 ($x, 1+y, z$)	2.929	3.597	129.81
S2...H10-C10 ($0.5-x, 0.5+y, 1.5-z$)	2.856	3.668	146.74
N3...H4-C4 ($0.5-x, 0.5-y, 2-z$)	2.658	3.472	146.59
π - π stacking (slipped face-to-face)		3.481	
S2...S1 ($0.5-x, 1.5+y, 1.5-z$)		3.514	
H11B...H12C ($0.5-x, 0.5-y, 2-z$)		2.201	
2			
O1...H11B-C11 ($x, 1/2-y, 1/2+z$)	2.709	3.517	142.11
S1...H4-C4 ($1+x, 1/2-y, 1/2+z$)	2.842	3.733	160.97
S1...N2 ($2-x, 1.5+y, 1.5-z$)		3.211	
S2...N4 ($2-x, 1.5+y, 1.5-z$)		3.229	
π - π stacking (slipped face-to-face)		3.401	
H11B...H12C ($x, 0.5-y, -1/2+z$)		2.201	

Figure 4. (a) Packing of 1-D chains of **1** to form 2-D supramolecular layers via π - π interactions (table 3); (b) Packing of 2-D layers of **2** to form 3-D supramolecular layers via intermolecular interactions (table 3).

In **1**, lead(II) is bridged by three thiocyanates in two fashions: one thiocyanate is a $\mu_{1,3}$ -SCN– [30] and the other two are $\mu_{1,1,3}$ -SCN– bridges with each neighboring lead building an extended 1-D chain along the *b*-axis. Two neighboring Pb^{II} ions in the bridging head of one Pb^{II} are in the same phase and these three Pb^{II} ions extend to an angular arrangement of 107.23°. The Pb··Pb separations are 4.561 and 7.343 Å. In **2**, lead(II) ions are bridged by $\mu_{1,1,3}$ -SCN– and $\mu_{1,3}$ -SCN– to form an eight-membered ring Pb(SCN)₂Pb and a four-membered ring Pb₂S₂ with Pb··Pb separations of 7.277 and 4.517 Å, respectively [31]. These units construct a 2-D network along the crystallographic direction [0 1 1] (figure 3).

A useful comparison with **1** and **2** is provided by recent structural study of Pb(SCN)₂ with 2,2'-bipyridine [25, 32]. In [Pb(bpy)(SCN)₂]_n [32], Pb^{II} is eight-coordinate and there is only one kind of thiocyanate, but in **1** and [Pb(4,4'-dm-2,2'-bpy)(SCN)₂] [25], Pb^{II} is seven-coordinate and there are two kinds of thiocyanate in a 1-D coordination polymer. In **2**, in spite of Pb^{II} being seven-coordinate, there are two kinds of thiocyanate in a 2-D network. Position of different substituents on 2,2'-bpy results in interesting intermolecular interactions in the structures of **1** and **2** (table 3). Relatively strong interactions within this class of weak non-covalent contacts [33] form hybrid 2-D and 3-D frameworks in **1** and **2**, respectively (figure 4).

Supplementary material

Full cif depositions, excluding structure factor amplitudes, reside with the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Center, CCDC-853948 for **1** and CCDC-853949 for **2**. Copies of the data can be obtained, free of charge, on application from CCDC, 12 Union Road, Cambridge CB2 1EZ, UK (Fax: +44 1223 336033 or Email: deposit@ccdc.cam.ac.uk).

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