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## 4-(Phenylsulfanyl)benzene-1,2-dicarbonitrile

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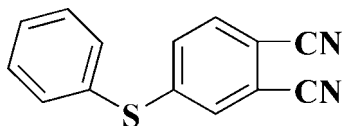
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 273$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.002$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.037;  $wR$  factor = 0.098; data-to-parameter ratio = 13.6.

In the title compound,  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_8\text{N}_2\text{S}$ , the dicyano-substituted aromatic ring and the phenyl ring attached to the central S atom adopt an angular V-shaped configuration. The dihedral angle between the rings is  $103.6^\circ$ .

## Related literature

The title compound is a precursor in the synthesis of phthalocyanine derivatives. For applications of phthalocyanines, see: Ao *et al.* (1995); Rey *et al.* (1998); Zhang *et al.* (2009); Beltrán *et al.* (2004); LukCentyanets (1999); Shirk & Pong (2000).



## Experimental

## Crystal data

$\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_8\text{N}_2\text{S}$   
 $M_r = 236.28$   
 Monoclinic,  $P2_1/c$   
 $a = 7.8515$  (7) Å  
 $b = 9.7739$  (9) Å  
 $c = 15.6248$  (14) Å  
 $\beta = 91.544$  (2)°

$V = 1198.61$  (19) Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 4$   
 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 0.25$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 273$  K  
 $0.31 \times 0.25 \times 0.21$  mm

## Data collection

Bruker APEXII CCD diffractometer  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 2003)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.928$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.950$

5758 measured reflections  
 2102 independent reflections  
 1818 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.015$

## Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.037$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.098$   
 $S = 1.04$   
 2102 reflections  
 154 parameters

17 restraints  
 H-atom parameters not refined  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.33$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.38$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

Data collection: APEX2 (Bruker, 2004); cell refinement: SAINT-Plus (Bruker, 2001); data reduction: SAINT-Plus; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 2008); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL.

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**4-(Phenylsulfanyl)benzene-1,2-dicarbonitrile****Fei Yang, Fanjun Meng and Xiaomei Zhang****S1. Comment**

Dicyano compounds have been widely used to synthesize many useful materials such as phthalocyanines. Phthalocyanines are an interesting class of compounds, with increasingly diverse industrial and biomedical applications, for instance as dyes and pigments, materials for optical storage (Ao *et al.* 1995), liquid crystals, oxidation catalysts, solar cell functional materials, gas sensors, nonlinear optical limiting devices (Shirk *et al.* 2000), photodynamic therapy agents (LukCentyanets *et al.* 1999), antimycotic material, and corrosion inhibitors (Zhang *et al.* 2009). The title compound 4-phenylsulfanylphthalonitrile was prepared according to the method reported in the literature.

The dicyano substituted phenyl ring and the aromatic ring attached to the sulfur atom is planar and the angle involving C4—S1—C9 (103.590) clearly indicate the angular orientation of the phenyl rings with respect to the sulfur atom with in this compound.

**S2. Experimental**

For general structure and background information on phthalocyanines, see: Zhang *et al.* (2009); For the synthesis, see: Rey *et al.* (1998).

**S3. Refinement**

Hydrogen atoms were placed in calculated positions and refined using a riding-model approximation with C—H = 0.93 Å,  $U_{\text{iso}} = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$  for aromatic H atoms and C—H = 0.96 Å,  $U_{\text{iso}} = 1.5U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$  for methyl H atoms.

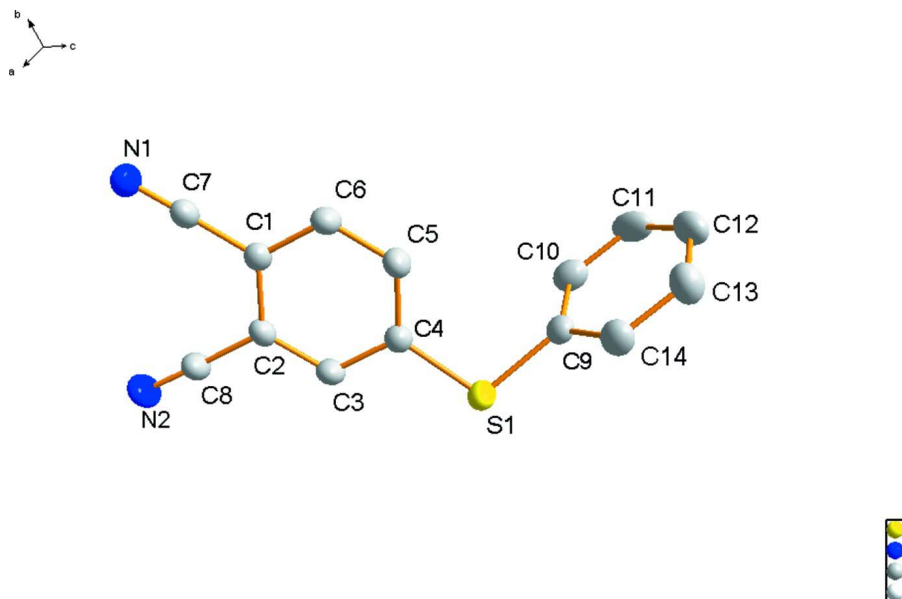


Figure 1

A view of (I) with the unique atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.

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$l = -14 \rightarrow 18$

##### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$

Least-squares matrix: full

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Primary atom site location: structure-invariant  
direct methods

Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier  
map

Hydrogen site location: inferred from  
neighbouring sites

H-atom parameters not refined  
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.043P)^2 + 0.3751P]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.33 \text{ e } \text{Å}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.38 \text{ e } \text{Å}^{-3}$

#### Special details

**Geometry.** All e.s.d.'s (except the e.s.d. in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell e.s.d.'s are taken into account individually in the estimation of e.s.d.'s in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between e.s.d.'s in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell e.s.d.'s is used for estimating e.s.d.'s involving l.s. planes.

**Refinement.** Refinement of  $F^2$  against ALL reflections. The weighted  $R$ -factor  $wR$  and goodness of fit  $S$  are based on  $F^2$ , conventional  $R$ -factors  $R$  are based on  $F$ , with  $F$  set to zero for negative  $F^2$ . The threshold expression of  $F^2 > \sigma(F^2)$  is used only for calculating  $R$ -factors(gt) *etc.* and is not relevant to the choice of reflections for refinement.  $R$ -factors based on  $F^2$  are statistically about twice as large as those based on  $F$ , and  $R$ -factors based on ALL data will be even larger.

#### Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{Å}^2$ )

	$x$	$y$	$z$	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
S1	1.02062 (6)	-0.13035 (5)	0.20832 (4)	0.0706 (2)
N1	1.1713 (2)	0.44401 (17)	-0.06030 (11)	0.0689 (5)
N2	1.5357 (2)	0.1851 (2)	-0.00461 (12)	0.0759 (5)
C1	1.10678 (19)	0.23614 (16)	0.03502 (9)	0.0428 (4)
C2	1.23816 (19)	0.14420 (16)	0.05715 (10)	0.0437 (4)
C3	1.2075 (2)	0.03475 (17)	0.11030 (11)	0.0496 (4)
H3	1.2954	-0.0253	0.1252	0.060*
C4	1.0448 (2)	0.01386 (16)	0.14187 (11)	0.0466 (4)
C5	0.9148 (2)	0.10349 (18)	0.11842 (11)	0.0508 (4)
H5	0.8056	0.0890	0.1383	0.061*
C6	0.9453 (2)	0.21380 (17)	0.06595 (11)	0.0504 (4)
H6	0.8571	0.2735	0.0512	0.061*
C7	1.1412 (2)	0.35200 (18)	-0.01832 (11)	0.0498 (4)
C8	1.4050 (2)	0.16575 (18)	0.02351 (12)	0.0539 (4)
C9	0.8157 (2)	-0.10711 (17)	0.25164 (11)	0.0493 (4)
C10	0.7880 (3)	-0.0083 (2)	0.31328 (12)	0.0629 (5)
H10	0.8762	0.0491	0.3316	0.075*
C11	0.6272 (3)	0.0044 (2)	0.34748 (13)	0.0723 (6)
H11	0.6075	0.0708	0.3887	0.087*
C12	0.4977 (3)	-0.0807 (2)	0.32069 (14)	0.0724 (6)
H12	0.3900	-0.0715	0.3434	0.087*
C13	0.5263 (3)	-0.1780 (2)	0.26123 (15)	0.0736 (6)
H13	0.4380	-0.2358	0.2437	0.088*
C14	0.6849 (2)	-0.1927 (2)	0.22626 (12)	0.0601 (5)
H14	0.7032	-0.2604	0.1857	0.072*

#### Atomic displacement parameters ( $\text{Å}^2$ )

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
S1	0.0552 (3)	0.0589 (3)	0.0988 (4)	0.0124 (2)	0.0230 (3)	0.0307 (3)
N1	0.0704 (11)	0.0639 (10)	0.0736 (11)	0.0084 (8)	0.0214 (8)	0.0192 (9)
N2	0.0501 (10)	0.0816 (12)	0.0971 (13)	0.0050 (8)	0.0241 (9)	0.0081 (10)

C1	0.0433 (8)	0.0425 (8)	0.0428 (8)	0.0005 (7)	0.0046 (6)	-0.0009 (7)
C2	0.0387 (8)	0.0459 (9)	0.0470 (9)	0.0015 (7)	0.0079 (6)	-0.0033 (7)
C3	0.0418 (9)	0.0483 (9)	0.0590 (10)	0.0091 (7)	0.0062 (7)	0.0042 (8)
C4	0.0442 (9)	0.0439 (9)	0.0520 (9)	0.0004 (7)	0.0064 (7)	0.0012 (7)
C5	0.0373 (8)	0.0530 (10)	0.0623 (10)	0.0005 (7)	0.0082 (7)	0.0071 (8)
C6	0.0397 (8)	0.0517 (9)	0.0600 (10)	0.0069 (7)	0.0039 (7)	0.0072 (8)
C7	0.0458 (9)	0.0522 (10)	0.0519 (9)	0.0062 (8)	0.0100 (7)	0.0016 (8)
C8	0.0449 (9)	0.0535 (10)	0.0638 (11)	0.0065 (8)	0.0098 (8)	0.0049 (8)
C9	0.0517 (9)	0.0456 (9)	0.0510 (9)	0.0027 (7)	0.0070 (7)	0.0115 (7)
C10	0.0732 (12)	0.0524 (10)	0.0626 (11)	-0.0007 (9)	-0.0059 (9)	0.0000 (9)
C11	0.0989 (16)	0.0647 (12)	0.0539 (11)	0.0253 (12)	0.0141 (11)	-0.0029 (9)
C12	0.0647 (12)	0.0775 (14)	0.0762 (14)	0.0134 (11)	0.0239 (10)	0.0126 (11)
C13	0.0578 (11)	0.0763 (14)	0.0875 (15)	-0.0109 (10)	0.0137 (10)	-0.0022 (12)
C14	0.0647 (11)	0.0573 (11)	0.0588 (11)	-0.0039 (9)	0.0129 (9)	-0.0059 (9)

*Geometric parameters (Å, °)*

S1—C4	1.7638 (16)	C5—H5	0.9300
S1—C9	1.7770 (17)	C6—H6	0.9300
N1—C7	1.142 (2)	C9—C14	1.375 (3)
N2—C8	1.143 (2)	C9—C10	1.385 (3)
C1—C6	1.386 (2)	C10—C11	1.389 (3)
C1—C2	1.404 (2)	C10—H10	0.9300
C1—C7	1.436 (2)	C11—C12	1.370 (3)
C2—C3	1.379 (2)	C11—H11	0.9300
C2—C8	1.440 (2)	C12—C13	1.353 (3)
C3—C4	1.397 (2)	C12—H12	0.9300
C3—H3	0.9300	C13—C14	1.381 (3)
C4—C5	1.387 (2)	C13—H13	0.9300
C5—C6	1.379 (2)	C14—H14	0.9300
C4—S1—C9	103.59 (7)	N2—C8—C2	178.3 (2)
C6—C1—C2	119.07 (14)	C14—C9—C10	119.68 (17)
C6—C1—C7	120.97 (14)	C14—C9—S1	119.29 (14)
C2—C1—C7	119.95 (14)	C10—C9—S1	120.97 (14)
C3—C2—C1	120.38 (14)	C9—C10—C11	119.38 (18)
C3—C2—C8	120.55 (14)	C9—C10—H10	120.3
C1—C2—C8	119.07 (14)	C11—C10—H10	120.3
C2—C3—C4	120.13 (14)	C12—C11—C10	120.21 (18)
C2—C3—H3	119.9	C12—C11—H11	119.9
C4—C3—H3	119.9	C10—C11—H11	119.9
C5—C4—C3	119.22 (15)	C13—C12—C11	120.05 (19)
C5—C4—S1	124.76 (12)	C13—C12—H12	120.0
C3—C4—S1	116.01 (12)	C11—C12—H12	120.0
C6—C5—C4	120.80 (15)	C12—C13—C14	120.9 (2)
C6—C5—H5	119.6	C12—C13—H13	119.6
C4—C5—H5	119.6	C14—C13—H13	119.6
C5—C6—C1	120.39 (15)	C9—C14—C13	119.80 (18)

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C5—C6—H6	119.8	C9—C14—H14	120.1
C1—C6—H6	119.8	C13—C14—H14	120.1
N1—C7—C1	178.87 (19)		

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