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### {*N*-Methyl-*N'*-[1-(pyridin-2-yl)ethylidene]ethane-1,2-diamine- $\kappa^3 N, N', N''$ }bis(thiocyanato- $\kappa N$ )zinc(II)

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; T = 298 K; mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.007 Å; disorder in main residue; *R* factor = 0.040; *wR* factor = 0.105; data-to-parameter ratio = 16.7.

In the title compound,  $[Zn(NCS)_2(C_{10}H_{15}N_3)]$ , the Zn atom is five-coordinated by the three N-donor atoms of the Schiff base ligand and by two N atoms from two thiocyanate anions, forming a distorted  $ZnN_5$  trigonal-bipyramidal coordination geometry for the metal ion. The side chain of the ligand is disordered over two sets of sites in a 0.655 (12):0.345 (12) ratio. In the crystal, molecules are linked by N-H···S hydrogen bonds, generating [100] chains.

### **Related literature**

For the biological activity of Schiff base compounds, see: Panneerselvam *et al.* (2005); Shi *et al.* (2007); Singh *et al.* (2006, 2007); Zhong *et al.* (2006). For the Schiff base complexes we reported previously, see: Li & Qiu (2008a,b).



### **Experimental**

### Crystal data

$$\begin{split} & \left[ \text{Zn}(\text{NCS})_2(\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_3) \right] \\ & M_r = 358.78 \\ & \text{Monoclinic, } P2_1/n \\ & a = 7.6674 \text{ (3) A} \\ & b = 14.8062 \text{ (5) A} \end{split}$$

c = 14.3766 (6) Å $\beta = 101.853 (2)^{\circ}$  $V = 1597.30 (11) \text{ Å}^{3}$ Z = 4Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation

### metal-organic compounds

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.029$ 

 $0.20 \times 0.20 \times 0.18 \; \mathrm{mm}$ 

9004 measured reflections

3352 independent reflections

2095 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

 $\mu = 1.80 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 298 K

#### Data collection

Bruker APEXII CCD diffractometer Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 2004)  $T_{min} = 0.715, T_{max} = 0.738$ 

#### Refinement

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.040$ 12 restraints $wR(F^2) = 0.105$ H-atom parameters constrainedS = 1.02 $\Delta \rho_{max} = 0.46 \text{ e } \text{ Å}^{-3}$ 3352 reflections $\Delta \rho_{min} = -0.46 \text{ e } \text{ Å}^{-3}$ 201 parameters $\Delta \rho_{min} = -0.46 \text{ e } \text{ Å}^{-3}$ 

### Table 1

Selected bond lengths (Å).

Zn1-N5	1.974 (4)	Zn1-N3	2.163 (4)
Zn1-N4	1.986 (4)	Zn1-N1	2.195 (3)
Zn1-N2	2.088 (3)		

### Table 2

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$	
$N3-H3A\cdots S1^{i}$	0.91	2.66	3.551 (5)	165	
Symmetry code: (i) $r = 1 y_{z}$					

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Data collection: *APEX2* (Bruker, 2004); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2004); data reduction: *SAINT*; 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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### S1. Comment

Schiff base compounds have been reported to have excellent biological activity (Shi *et al.*, 2007; Panneerselvam *et al.*, 2005). The metal complexes derived from the Schiff bases also have excellent biological activity (Singh *et al.*, 2006, 2007; Zhong *et al.*, 2006). As a continuation of our work on Schiff base complexes (Li & Qiu, 2008*a*,*b*), we report herein the crystal structure of the title zinc complex, (I).

In the title mononuclear zinc(II) complex, the Zn atom is five-coordinated by the three donor atoms (N1, N2, and N3) of the Schiff baes ligand, and two N atoms from two thiocyanate ligands, forming a slightly distorted trigonalbipyramidal geometry (Fig. 1). The coordinate bond values (Table 1) are within normal ranges.

### **S2. Experimental**

The title compound was obtained by the reaction of equimolar quantities (0.1 mmol each) of 2-acetylpyridine, *N*-methylethane-1,2-diamine, sodium thiocyanate, and zinc acetate in ethanol. Colorless blocks of (I) were obtained by the slow evaporation of the filtrate in air.

### **S3. Refinement**

H atoms were positioned geometrically and refined using a riding model, with C—H = 0.93–0.97Å and with  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2$  (1.5 for methyl groups) times  $U_{eq}(C)$ .

The amino H atoms were located in a difference map and refined with N—H distance restrained to 0.90 (1) Å. The remaining H atoms were positioned geometrically (C—H = 0.93–0.97 Å, N—H = 0.91 Å) and refined using a riding model, with  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$  and  $1.5U_{eq}(methyl C)$ . The C9—N3—C10 moiety is disordered over two sites, with occupancies of 0.655 (3) and 0.345 (3).



### Figure 1

The molecular structure of the title compound, showing 30% probability displacement ellipsoids. Only the major component of the disordered group is shown.

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$[Zn(NCS)_{2}(C_{10}H_{15}N_{3})]$ $M_{r} = 358.78$ Monoclinic, $P2_{1}/n$ Hall symbol: -P 2yn a = 7.6674 (3) Å b = 14.8062 (5) Å c = 14.3766 (6) Å $\beta = 101.853$ (2)° V = 1597.30 (11) Å <sup>3</sup> Z = 4	F(000) = 736 $D_x = 1.492 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo $K\alpha$ radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ Å}$ Cell parameters from 2372 reflections $\theta = 2.6-25.1^{\circ}$ $\mu = 1.80 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 298  K Block, colorless $0.20 \times 0.20 \times 0.18 \text{ mm}$
Data collection	
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$R_{\rm int} = 0.029$	$k = -17 \rightarrow 18$
$\theta_{\rm max} = 26.7^{\circ}, \ \theta_{\rm min} = 2.0^{\circ}$	$l = -18 \rightarrow 11$
$h = -9 \rightarrow 9$	

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Refinement on $F^2$	Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier
Least-squares matrix: full	map
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.040$	Hydrogen site location: inferred from
$wR(F^2) = 0.105$	neighbouring sites
S = 1.02	H-atom parameters constrained
3352 reflections	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0323P)^2 + 1.952P]$
201 parameters	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
12 restraints	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$
Primary atom site location: structure-invariant	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.46 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
direct methods	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.46 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

### 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.

	x	У	Ζ	$U_{ m iso}$ */ $U_{ m eq}$	Occ. (<1)
Zn1	0.72087 (6)	-0.07353 (3)	0.71636 (3)	0.05504 (17)	
S1	1.28221 (17)	-0.15205 (10)	0.89256 (10)	0.0835 (4)	
S2	0.3366 (2)	-0.32564 (11)	0.66375 (10)	0.1063 (6)	
N1	0.7424 (4)	-0.0555 (2)	0.5676 (2)	0.0524 (8)	
N2	0.6777 (4)	0.0641 (2)	0.6890 (2)	0.0559 (8)	
N4	0.9697 (5)	-0.1140 (3)	0.7651 (3)	0.0760 (11)	
N5	0.5583 (5)	-0.1782 (2)	0.6923 (2)	0.0684 (10)	
C1	0.7390 (5)	0.0309 (3)	0.5392 (3)	0.0515 (9)	
C2	0.7683 (5)	0.0539 (3)	0.4504 (3)	0.0628 (11)	
H2	0.7670	0.1142	0.4319	0.075*	
C3	0.7993 (6)	-0.0131 (4)	0.3901 (3)	0.0708 (13)	
Н3	0.8193	0.0015	0.3303	0.085*	
C4	0.8009 (6)	-0.1007 (4)	0.4174 (3)	0.0706 (13)	
H4	0.8207	-0.1469	0.3770	0.085*	
C5	0.7719 (6)	-0.1192 (3)	0.5074 (3)	0.0629 (11)	
Н5	0.7731	-0.1792	0.5268	0.075*	
C6	0.7014 (5)	0.0970 (3)	0.6107 (3)	0.0577 (10)	
C7	0.6971 (7)	0.1958 (3)	0.5876 (4)	0.0877 (15)	
H7A	0.6442	0.2284	0.6325	0.132*	
H7B	0.6279	0.2052	0.5247	0.132*	
H7C	0.8164	0.2172	0.5907	0.132*	
C11	1.1008 (6)	-0.1300 (3)	0.8180 (3)	0.0573 (10)	

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters  $(\hat{A}^2)$ 

C12	0.4653 (6)	-0.2395 (3)	0.6815 (3)	0.0586 (10)	
C8	0.6362 (7)	0.1164 (3)	0.7662 (3)	0.0810 (14)	0.655 (12)
H8A	0.5502	0.1631	0.7417	0.097*	0.655 (12)
H8B	0.7431	0.1451	0.8016	0.097*	0.655 (12)
C9	0.5577 (12)	0.0508 (5)	0.8318 (5)	0.074 (3)	0.655 (12)
H9A	0.5582	0.0803	0.8921	0.089*	0.655 (12)
H9B	0.4349	0.0371	0.8026	0.089*	0.655 (12)
C10	0.7978 (14)	-0.0366 (8)	0.9293 (6)	0.089 (3)	0.655 (12)
H10A	0.7586	-0.0160	0.9849	0.133*	0.655 (12)
H10B	0.8964	-0.0004	0.9196	0.133*	0.655 (12)
H10C	0.8346	-0.0986	0.9377	0.133*	0.655 (12)
N3	0.6540 (6)	-0.0290 (3)	0.8480 (2)	0.0814 (12)	0.655 (12)
H3A	0.5729	-0.0703	0.8591	0.098*	0.655 (12)
C8′	0.6362 (7)	0.1164 (3)	0.7662 (3)	0.0810 (14)	0.345 (12)
H8'A	0.5082	0.1233	0.7582	0.097*	0.345 (12)
H8′B	0.6893	0.1760	0.7673	0.097*	0.345 (12)
C9′	0.709 (2)	0.0678 (7)	0.8562 (7)	0.097 (7)	0.345 (12)
H9'A	0.6658	0.0959	0.9081	0.116*	0.345 (12)
H9′B	0.8382	0.0719	0.8702	0.116*	0.345 (12)
C10′	0.723 (2)	-0.0647 (13)	0.9393 (8)	0.066 (5)	0.345 (12)
H10D	0.6699	-0.0338	0.9854	0.099*	0.345 (12)
H10E	0.8497	-0.0565	0.9546	0.099*	0.345 (12)
H10F	0.6955	-0.1279	0.9400	0.099*	0.345 (12)
N3′	0.6540 (6)	-0.0290 (3)	0.8480 (2)	0.0814 (12)	0.345 (12)
H3'A	0.5331	-0.0302	0.8394	0.098*	0.345 (12)

Atomic displacement parameters  $(Å^2)$ 

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
Zn1	0.0644 (3)	0.0492 (3)	0.0518 (3)	0.0000 (2)	0.0128 (2)	0.0037 (2)
S1	0.0678 (8)	0.0948 (10)	0.0845 (9)	0.0061 (7)	0.0077 (6)	-0.0070 (7)
S2	0.1434 (14)	0.0975 (11)	0.0869 (9)	-0.0621 (10)	0.0447 (9)	-0.0190 (8)
N1	0.062 (2)	0.0456 (19)	0.0502 (18)	-0.0062 (15)	0.0126 (15)	-0.0006 (15)
N2	0.061 (2)	0.0461 (18)	0.061 (2)	0.0029 (16)	0.0128 (16)	-0.0033 (16)
N4	0.074 (3)	0.082 (3)	0.073 (3)	0.008 (2)	0.018 (2)	0.021 (2)
N5	0.082 (3)	0.055 (2)	0.069 (2)	-0.007 (2)	0.017 (2)	0.0074 (18)
C1	0.042 (2)	0.057 (2)	0.053 (2)	-0.0039 (18)	0.0023 (17)	0.0080 (19)
C2	0.055 (3)	0.071 (3)	0.059 (3)	-0.008(2)	0.003 (2)	0.020 (2)
C3	0.064 (3)	0.100 (4)	0.048 (2)	-0.015 (3)	0.010 (2)	0.009 (3)
C4	0.068 (3)	0.092 (4)	0.054 (3)	-0.010 (3)	0.018 (2)	-0.012 (2)
C5	0.072 (3)	0.056 (3)	0.064 (3)	-0.005 (2)	0.022 (2)	-0.002 (2)
C6	0.054 (2)	0.044 (2)	0.070 (3)	-0.0030 (18)	0.002 (2)	0.004 (2)
C7	0.114 (4)	0.048 (3)	0.099 (4)	-0.001 (3)	0.015 (3)	0.008 (3)
C11	0.065 (3)	0.051 (2)	0.060 (3)	-0.005 (2)	0.024 (2)	0.003 (2)
C12	0.075 (3)	0.059 (3)	0.045 (2)	-0.002 (2)	0.022 (2)	0.007 (2)
C8	0.097 (4)	0.060 (3)	0.089 (4)	-0.004 (3)	0.025 (3)	-0.019 (3)
C9	0.081 (6)	0.080 (6)	0.062 (4)	0.033 (4)	0.018 (4)	-0.005 (4)
C10	0.111 (7)	0.092 (7)	0.059 (5)	0.030 (5)	0.010 (5)	-0.003 (4)

# supporting information

N3	0.092 (3)	0.097 (3)	0.057 (2)	-0.012 (3)	0.020(2)	-0.009(2)
C8′	0.097 (4)	0.060 (3)	0.089 (4)	-0.004 (3)	0.025 (3)	-0.019 (3)
C9′	0.096 (14)	0.151 (18)	0.044 (8)	-0.025 (12)	0.015 (8)	-0.013 (9)
C10′	0.090 (12)	0.066 (10)	0.046 (7)	0.005 (9)	0.025 (8)	0.016 (7)
N3′	0.092 (3)	0.097 (3)	0.057 (2)	-0.012 (3)	0.020 (2)	-0.009 (2)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

Zn1—N5	1.974 (4)	C5—H5	0.9300
Zn1—N4	1.986 (4)	C6—C7	1.499 (6)
Zn1—N2	2.088 (3)	С7—Н7А	0.9600
Zn1—N3	2.163 (4)	С7—Н7В	0.9600
Zn1—N1	2.195 (3)	С7—Н7С	0.9600
S1—C11	1.605 (5)	C8—C9	1.559 (7)
S2—C12	1.601 (5)	C8—H8A	0.9700
N1C5	1.330 (5)	C8—H8B	0.9700
N1—C1	1.342 (5)	C9—N3	1.388 (6)
N2—C6	1.273 (5)	С9—Н9А	0.9700
N2—C8	1.441 (5)	С9—Н9В	0.9700
N4—C11	1.154 (5)	C10—N3	1.437 (7)
N5-C12	1.145 (5)	C10—H10A	0.9600
C1—C2	1.383 (5)	C10—H10B	0.9600
C1—C6	1.490 (6)	C10—H10C	0.9600
C2—C3	1.371 (6)	N3—H3A	0.9100
С2—Н2	0.9300	С9′—Н9′А	0.9700
C3—C4	1.354 (6)	С9′—Н9′В	0.9700
С3—Н3	0.9300	C10′—H10D	0.9600
C4—C5	1.385 (6)	С10′—Н10Е	0.9600
C4—H4	0.9300	C10'—H10F	0.9600
N5—Zn1—N4	110.56 (16)	С6—С7—Н7А	109.5
N5-Zn1-N2	131.51 (14)	C6—C7—H7B	109.5
N4— $Zn1$ — $N2$	117.70 (15)	H7A—C7—H7B	109.5
N5 - Zn1 - N3	97.92 (16)	С6—С7—Н7С	109.5
N4—Zn1—N3	99.59 (16)	H7A—C7—H7C	109.5
N2—Zn1—N3	79.09 (15)	H7B—C7—H7C	109.5
N5—Zn1—N1	95.51 (13)	N4—C11—S1	179.4 (4)
N4—Zn1—N1	96.97 (14)	N5—C12—S2	178.5 (4)
N2—Zn1—N1	74.85 (12)	N2—C8—C9	107.8 (4)
N3—Zn1—N1	153.44 (15)	N2—C8—H8A	110.2
C5—N1—C1	118.3 (3)	C9—C8—H8A	110.2
C5—N1—Zn1	127.2 (3)	N2—C8—H8B	110.2
C1—N1—Zn1	114.3 (3)	C9—C8—H8B	110.2
C6—N2—C8	124.6 (4)	H8A—C8—H8B	108.5
C6—N2—Zn1	119.6 (3)	N3—C9—C8	111.9 (5)
C8—N2—Zn1	115.5 (3)	N3—C9—H9A	109.2
C11—N4—Zn1	159.8 (4)	С8—С9—Н9А	109.2
C12—N5—Zn1	177.7 (4)	N3—C9—H9B	109.2

N1—C1—C2	121.3 (4)	С8—С9—Н9В	109.2
N1—C1—C6	114.3 (3)	H9A—C9—H9B	107.9
C2—C1—C6	124.4 (4)	N3—C10—H10A	109.5
C3—C2—C1	119.2 (4)	N3—C10—H10B	109.5
С3—С2—Н2	120.4	H10A-C10-H10B	109.5
C1—C2—H2	120.4	N3—C10—H10C	109.5
C4—C3—C2	120.2 (4)	H10A-C10-H10C	109.5
С4—С3—Н3	119.9	H10B—C10—H10C	109.5
С2—С3—Н3	119.9	C9—N3—C10	119.7 (7)
C3—C4—C5	117.8 (4)	C9—N3—Zn1	109.1 (3)
C3—C4—H4	121.1	C10—N3—Zn1	114.1 (5)
С5—С4—Н4	121.1	C9—N3—H3A	104.0
N1—C5—C4	123.3 (4)	C10—N3—H3A	104.0
N1—C5—H5	118.4	Zn1—N3—H3A	104.0
С4—С5—Н5	118.4	Н9'А—С9'—Н9'В	108.1
N2-C6-C1	116.2 (3)	H10D—C10′—H10E	109.5
N2—C6—C7	124.7 (4)	H10D—C10′—H10F	109.5
C1—C6—C7	119.1 (4)	H10E—C10′—H10F	109.5

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

D—H···A	D—H	Н…А	D····A	<i>D</i> —H··· <i>A</i>
N3—H3A···S1 <sup>i</sup>	0.91	2.66	3.551 (5)	165

Symmetry code: (i) x-1, y, z.