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catena-Poly[(*E*)-4,4'-(ethane-1,2-diyl)dipyridinium [[bis(thiocyanato- κN)ferrate(II)]-di- μ -thiocyanato- $\kappa^2 N:S;\kappa^2 S:N$]]

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; T = 293 K; mean σ (C–C) = 0.003 Å; R factor = 0.026; wR factor = 0.063; data-to-parameter ratio = 16.9.

In the crystal structure of the title compound, $\{(C_{12}H_{14}N_2)-[Fe(NCS)_4]\}_n$, the iron(II) cation is coordinated by four *N*bonded and two *S*-bonded thiocyanate anions in a distorted octahedral coordination mode. The asymmetric unit consists of half an iron(II) cation and half a protonated (*E*)-4,4'-(ethane-1,2-diyl)dipyridinium dication, each located on a centre of inversion. In addition, there are two thiocyanate anions in general positions. The crystal structure consists of Fe-(NCS)₂—Fe chains in which each iron(II) cation is additionally coordinated by two terminal *N*-bonded thiocyanate anions. Non-coordinating dipyridinium dications are present between the thiocyanatoferrate(II) chains and are connected to the anions *via* N–H···N and N–H···S hydrogen-bond interactions.

Related literature

For coordination polymers based on transition metal thio- and selenocyanates, see: Wöhlert *et al.* (2011); Boeckmann *et al.* (2010). For a similar structure, see: Wöhlert *et al.* (2010).



Experimental

Crystal data $(C_{12}H_{14}N_2)$ [Fe(NCS)₄] $M_r = 474.42$ Triclinic, *P*1 a = 5.6818 (3) Å

b = 9.0957 (6) Å c = 10.9259 (7) Å $\alpha = 105.586 (5)^{\circ}$ $\beta = 103.633 (5)^{\circ}$ metal-organic compounds

 $\mu = 1.17 \text{ mm}^{-1}$

 $0.19 \times 0.15 \times 0.09 \text{ mm}$

7638 measured reflections

2101 independent reflections

1838 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

T = 203 K

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.030$

 $\gamma = 101.383 (5)^{\circ}$ $V = 507.65 (5) \text{ Å}^3$ Z = 1

Mo Kα radiation

Data collection

Stoe IPDS-2 diffractometer Absorption correction: numerical (X-SHAPE and X-RED32; Stoe & Cie, 2008) $T_{min} = 0.806, T_{max} = 0.899$

Refinement

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.026$ 124 parameters $wR(F^2) = 0.063$ H-atom parameters constrainedS = 1.03 $\Delta \rho_{max} = 0.26$ e Å $^{-3}$ 2101 reflections $\Delta \rho_{min} = -0.40$ e Å $^{-3}$

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Fe1-N1	2.1011 (15)	Fe1-S2 ⁱ	2.6729 (5)
Fe1-N2	2.1376 (14)		
N1 ⁱⁱ -Fe1-N1	180	$N2^{ii} - Fe1 - S2^{iii}$	86.73 (4)
N1 ⁱⁱ -Fe1-N2	88.06 (6)	N1-Fe1-S2 ⁱ	86.79 (4)
N1-Fe1-N2	91.94 (6)		

Symmetry codes: (i) x + 1, y, z; (ii) -x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 1; (iii) -x, -y + 1, -z + 1.

Table 2

	Hydrogen-bond	geometry	(Å,	°).
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$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
N10-H10A···N1	0.86	2.34	3.029 (2)	137
$N10-H10A\cdots S2^{1}$	0.86	2.73	3.4369 (15)	141

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

Data collection: X-AREA (Stoe & Cie, 2008); cell refinement: X-AREA; data reduction: X-AREA; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: XP in SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 2008) and DIAMOND (Brandenburg, 1999); software used to prepare material for publication: XCIF in SHELXTL.

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S1. Comment

In our current work, we are interested in the structure and properties of new coordination polymers based on transition metal thio- and selenocyanates (Wöhlert *et al.*, 2011; Boeckmann, Wriedt & Näther, 2010). In our ongoing investigation in this field we have reacted iron(II) sulfate heptahydrate, potassium thiocyanate and E-1,2-bis(4-pyridyl)-ethane in water. In this reaction red single crystals of the title compound were obtained, which were identified by single crystal X-ray diffraction.

The title compound of composition $[Fe(NCS)_4]_n$ -E-1,2-bis(4-pyridinium)-ethane (Fig. 1) represents an 1-D coordination polymer, in which each iron(II) cation is connected by four μ -1,3 bridging thiocyanato anions into chains that elongate in the direction of the crystallographic *a* axis (Fig. 2). Between these chains noncoordinating protonated E-1,2-bis(4pyridinium)-ethane ligands are found, that are linked to the anions by weak hydrogen bonding interactions (Table 1). The FeN₄S₂ octahedron is slightly distorted with two long Fe—SCN distances of 2.6729 (5) Å and short Fe—NCS distances of 2.1011 (15) and 2.1376 (14)Å. The angles arround the metal cations range from 86.73 (5) to 93.27 (4) and 180° (Tab. 1). The shortest intramolecular Fe…Fe distance amounts to 5.6818 (3) Å and the shortest intermolecular Fe…Fe distance amounts to 9.0957 (6) Å. It must be noted that the structure is very similar but not isotypic to that of iron(II) thiocyanate and E-1,2-bis(4-pyridinium)-ethylene reported recently (Wöhlert *et al.*, 2010).

S2. Experimental

FeSO₄7H₂O and 1,2-bis(4-pyridyl)-ethane were obtained from Sigma Aldrich. KNCS are obtained from Alfa Aesar. 0.6 mmol (168.0 mg) FeSO₄7H₂O, 1.2 mmol (117.7 mg) KNCS and 0.15 mmol (27.2 mg) 1,2-bis(4-pyridyl)-ethane were reacted with 1 mL H₂O in closed test-tube at 120°C for three days. On cooling red block-shaped single crystals of the title compound were obtained in a mixture with a second crystalline phase that was not yet identified.

S3. Refinement

All H atoms were located in difference map but were positioned with idealized geometry and were refined using a riding model with $U_{eq}(H) = 1.2 U_{eq}(C,N)$ with C—H = 0.93 Å and N—H = 0.86 Å.



Figure 1

Crystal structure of the title compound with labelling and displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 30% probability level. Symmetry code: i = -x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 1; ii = -x, -y + 1, -z + 1; iii = x+1, y, z; iv = -x, -y + 2, -z.



Figure 2

Crystal structure of the title compound viewed along the crystallographic b axis.

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Triclinic, $P\overline{1}$	<i>b</i> = 9.0957 (6) Å

Mo *K* α radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å

 $\theta = 2.0 - 26.5^{\circ}$

 $\mu = 1.17 \text{ mm}^{-1}$

 $0.19 \times 0.15 \times 0.09 \text{ mm}$

T = 293 K

Block, red

Cell parameters from 7638 reflections

c = 10.9259 (7) Å $\alpha = 105.586 (5)^{\circ}$ $\beta = 103.633 (5)^{\circ}$ $\gamma = 101.383 (5)^{\circ}$ $V = 507.65 (5) \text{ Å}^{3}$ Z = 1 F(000) = 242 $D_{x} = 1.552 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$

Data collection

Stoe IPDS-2	7638 measured reflections
diffractometer	2101 independent reflections
Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube	1838 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
Graphite monochromator	$R_{\rm int}=0.030$
ω scans	$\theta_{\rm max} = 26.5^{\circ}, \ \theta_{\rm min} = 2.0^{\circ}$
Absorption correction: numerical	$h = -7 \rightarrow 6$
(X-SHAPE and X-RED32; Stoe & Cie, 2008)	$k = -11 \rightarrow 11$
$T_{\min} = 0.806, \ T_{\max} = 0.899$	$l = -13 \rightarrow 13$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier
Least-squares matrix: full	map
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.026$	Hydrogen site location: inferred from
$wR(F^2) = 0.063$	neighbouring sites
<i>S</i> = 1.03	H-atom parameters constrained
2101 reflections	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0393P)^2 + 0.0464P]$
124 parameters	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
0 restraints	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$
Primary atom site location: structure-invariant	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.26 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$
direct methods	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.40 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$

Special details

Geometry. All esds (except the esd in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell esds are taken into account individually in the estimation of esds in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between esds in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell esds is used for estimating esds 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 F², conventional R-factors R are based on F, with F set to zero for negative F^2 . The threshold expression of $F^2 > 2$ 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 F² 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 $(Å^2)$

	x	у	Ζ	$U_{ m iso}$ */ $U_{ m eq}$	
Fe1	0.5000	0.5000	0.5000	0.02833 (10)	
N1	0.4723 (3)	0.45516 (18)	0.29744 (15)	0.0398 (3)	
C1	0.5464 (3)	0.40682 (18)	0.20845 (16)	0.0311 (3)	
S1	0.64953 (10)	0.33771 (7)	0.08533 (5)	0.04980 (14)	
N2	0.2339 (3)	0.63622 (17)	0.48892 (15)	0.0356 (3)	
C2	0.0753 (3)	0.69028 (18)	0.51257 (15)	0.0283 (3)	
S2	-0.14718 (8)	0.76903 (5)	0.54918 (5)	0.03592 (12)	
N10	0.4056 (3)	0.77059 (17)	0.27628 (15)	0.0384 (3)	
H10A	0.4891	0.7200	0.3178	0.046*	

0.5213 (3)	0.9178 (2)	0.28629 (19)	0.0413 (4)
0.6894	0.9642	0.3374	0.050*
0.3919 (4)	1.0005 (2)	0.22104 (18)	0.0399 (4)
0.4724	1.1029	0.2273	0.048*
0.1399 (3)	0.9314 (2)	0.14537 (16)	0.0333 (4)
0.0289 (3)	0.7782 (2)	0.13838 (18)	0.0390 (4)
-0.1393	0.7289	0.0886	0.047*
0.1652 (4)	0.6990 (2)	0.20418 (19)	0.0410 (4)
0.0905	0.5958	0.1986	0.049*
-0.0056 (4)	1.0190 (2)	0.07142 (17)	0.0416 (4)
0.0637	1.1324	0.1177	0.050*
-0.1800	0.9896	0.0701	0.050*
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Atomic displacement parameters $(Å^2)$

	U^{11}	<i>U</i> ²²	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
Fe1	0.02747 (17)	0.03565 (18)	0.03103 (17)	0.01680 (13)	0.01363 (13)	0.01564 (13)
N1	0.0459 (9)	0.0434 (8)	0.0355 (8)	0.0179 (7)	0.0150 (7)	0.0153 (6)
C1	0.0323 (8)	0.0272 (7)	0.0324 (8)	0.0078 (6)	0.0059 (7)	0.0116 (6)
S1	0.0492 (3)	0.0540 (3)	0.0424 (3)	0.0118 (2)	0.0221 (2)	0.0048 (2)
N2	0.0292 (7)	0.0391 (7)	0.0465 (8)	0.0149 (6)	0.0158 (6)	0.0192 (6)
C2	0.0246 (7)	0.0288 (7)	0.0327 (8)	0.0073 (6)	0.0078 (6)	0.0130 (6)
S2	0.0281 (2)	0.0341 (2)	0.0472 (2)	0.01455 (16)	0.01351 (18)	0.01003 (18)
N10	0.0410 (8)	0.0391 (8)	0.0416 (8)	0.0172 (6)	0.0088 (7)	0.0226 (6)
C10	0.0339 (9)	0.0418 (9)	0.0442 (10)	0.0083 (7)	0.0028 (8)	0.0173 (8)
C11	0.0460 (10)	0.0306 (8)	0.0422 (9)	0.0093 (7)	0.0082 (8)	0.0161 (7)
C12	0.0414 (9)	0.0376 (8)	0.0270 (7)	0.0192 (7)	0.0115 (7)	0.0135 (7)
C13	0.0336 (9)	0.0424 (9)	0.0391 (9)	0.0082 (7)	0.0061 (7)	0.0165 (8)
C14	0.0449 (10)	0.0343 (9)	0.0450 (10)	0.0072 (7)	0.0115 (8)	0.0198 (8)
C15	0.0517 (11)	0.0469 (10)	0.0369 (9)	0.0292 (9)	0.0128 (8)	0.0204 (8)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

Fe1—N1 ⁱ	2.1011 (15)	N10—H10A	0.8600	
Fe1—N1	2.1011 (15)	C10-C11	1.369 (2)	
Fe1—N2 ⁱ	2.1376 (14)	C10—H10	0.9300	
Fe1—N2	2.1376 (14)	C11—C12	1.391 (3)	
Fe1—S2 ⁱⁱ	2.6729 (5)	C11—H11	0.9300	
Fe1—S2 ⁱⁱⁱ	2.6729 (5)	C12—C13	1.385 (2)	
N1—C1	1.163 (2)	C12—C15	1.504 (2)	
C1—S1	1.6157 (18)	C13—C14	1.368 (3)	
N2—C2	1.156 (2)	C13—H13	0.9300	
C2—S2	1.6472 (16)	C14—H14	0.9300	
S2—Fe1 ^{iv}	2.6729 (5)	C15—C15 ^v	1.525 (4)	
N10-C14	1.333 (2)	C15—H15A	0.9700	
N10—C10	1.333 (2)	C15—H15B	0.9700	
NII Eci NI	190,000 (1)	C10 N10 1110A	110 0	
INT-FEI-INT	180.000(1)	CIU-INIU-HIUA	110.0	

N1 ⁱ —Fe1—N2 ⁱ	91 94 (6)	N10_C10_C11	119 77 (16)
$N1_Fe1_N2^i$	88.06 (6)	N10-C10-H10	120.1
$N1^{i}$ Eq.1 N2	88.06 (6)	$\begin{array}{cccc} C11 & C10 & H10 \end{array}$	120.1
	88.00(0)		120.1
N1—Fe1—N2	91.94 (6)	C10-C11-C12	120.07 (16)
N2 ⁱ —Fe1—N2	180.000 (1)	C10-C11-H11	120.0
N1 ⁱ —Fe1—S2 ⁱⁱ	86.79 (4)	C12—C11—H11	120.0
N1—Fe1—S2 ⁱⁱ	93.21 (4)	C13—C12—C11	117.78 (15)
N2 ⁱ —Fe1—S2 ⁱⁱ	86.73 (4)	C13—C12—C15	121.12 (16)
N2—Fe1—S2 ⁱⁱ	93.27 (4)	C11—C12—C15	121.09 (16)
N1 ⁱ —Fe1—S2 ⁱⁱⁱ	93.21 (4)	C14—C13—C12	120.42 (16)
N1—Fe1—S2 ⁱⁱⁱ	86.79 (4)	C14—C13—H13	119.8
N2 ⁱ —Fe1—S2 ⁱⁱⁱ	93.27 (4)	С12—С13—Н13	119.8
N2—Fe1—S2 ⁱⁱⁱ	86.73 (4)	N10-C14-C13	119.63 (16)
S2 ⁱⁱ —Fe1—S2 ⁱⁱⁱ	180.000 (13)	N10-C14-H14	120.2
C1—N1—Fe1	149.29 (13)	C13—C14—H14	120.2
N1—C1—S1	179.28 (15)	C12—C15—C15 ^v	111.35 (18)
C2—N2—Fe1	158.76 (13)	C12—C15—H15A	109.4
N2—C2—S2	178.92 (16)	C15 ^v —C15—H15A	109.4
C2—S2—Fe1 ^{iv}	98.29 (6)	C12—C15—H15B	109.4
C14—N10—C10	122.34 (15)	C15 ^v —C15—H15B	109.4
C14—N10—H10A	118.8	H15A—C15—H15B	108.0

Symmetry codes: (i) -*x*+1, -*y*+1, -*z*+1; (ii) -*x*, -*y*+1, -*z*+1; (iii) *x*+1, *y*, *z*; (iv) *x*-1, *y*, *z*; (v) -*x*, -*y*+2, -*z*.

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

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