

# Poly[1-ethyl-3-methylimidazolium [tri- $\mu$ -isothiocyanato-manganate(II)]]

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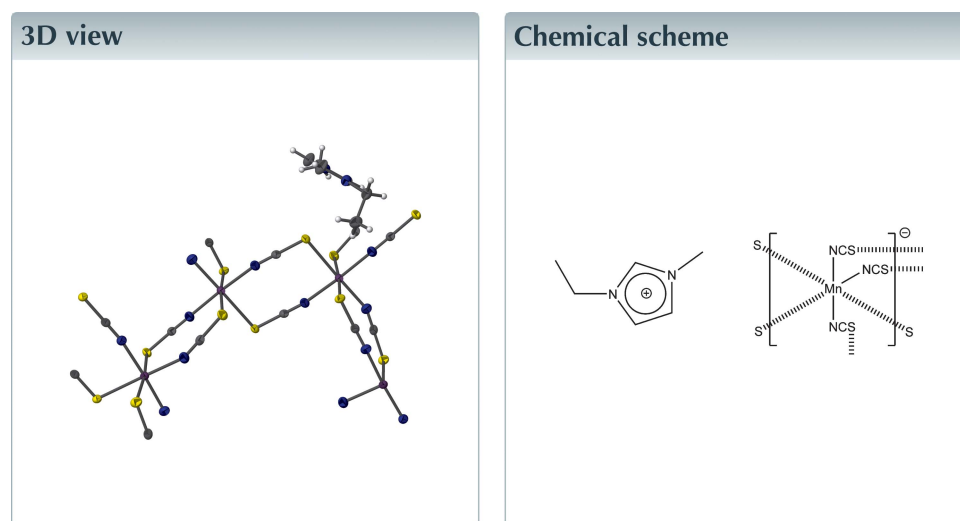
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The title compound,  $\{(C_9H_{11}N_2)[Mn(NCS)_3]\}_n$ , has been obtained as a side product of the salt metathesis reaction of 1-ethyl-3-methylimidazolium bromide, (EMIm)Br, and  $K_2[Mn(NCS)_4]$ . The structure consists of discrete 1-ethyl-3-methylimidazolium cations and an anionic two-dimensional network of manganese(II)-based complex anions, interconnected by thiocyanate ions. Every  $Mn^{2+}$  ion is coordinated by three S atoms of three  $NCS^-$  ions and three N atoms of further three  $NCS^-$  ions in a meridional octahedral fashion.

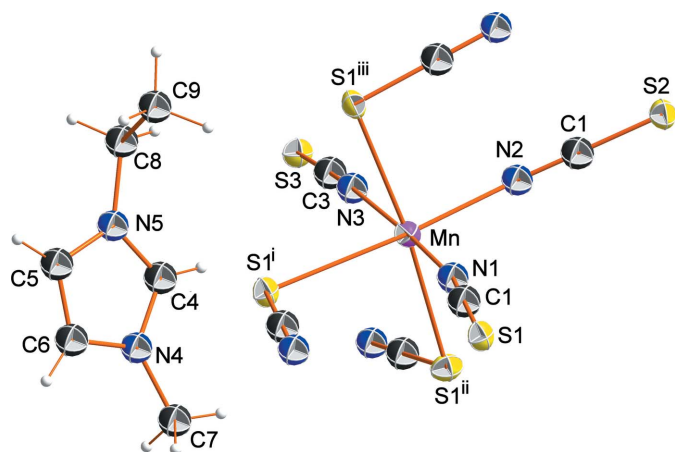


## Structure description

For many years, ionic liquids containing metal ions, especially those with paramagnetic properties have attracted great interest because of their unique properties and possible applications (Santos *et al.*, 2014; Clark *et al.*, 2016). Our ongoing efforts to investigate such low-melting metal-containing ionic liquids were first focused on compounds containing a cobalt ion (Kozlova *et al.*, 2009; Geppert-Rybczyńska *et al.*, 2010; Peppel *et al.*, 2010). Later, Mn containing systems were included (Peppel *et al.*, 2019).

The title compound has been obtained as a side product as a result of a slow chemical decomposition of the ionic liquid  $(EMIm)_2[Mn(NCS)_4]$ .

Fig. 1 shows the molecular structure of the environment of the  $Mn^{II}$  ion, which is coordinated octahedrally by six thiocyanato ligands. Three are N-bonded and the other three S-bonded in a *mer* fashion. All thiocyanato ligands are bridging two Mn ions. Thereby two-dimensional layers are formed. Fig. 2 shows a cutout of the structure of this anionic layer. Whereas the N atoms have almost linear Mn–N–C angles (average of  $172.0^\circ$ ), the S atoms are bonded with a Mn–S–C angle of  $98.1^\circ$  (average).



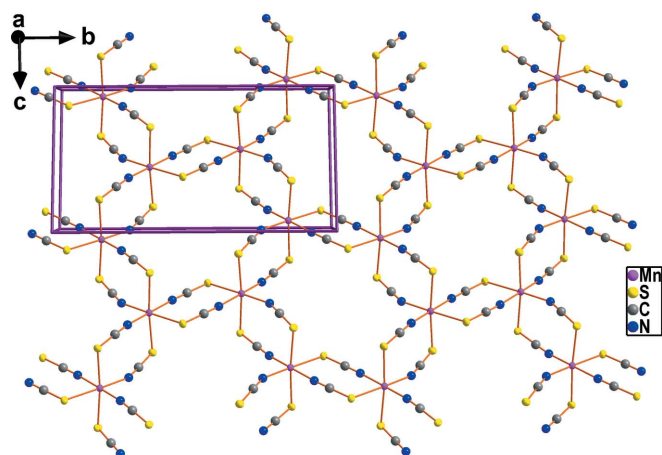
**Figure 1**  
A view of the molecular structure of the octahedrally coordinated  $[\text{Mn}(\text{NCS})_3(\text{SCN})_3]^-$  units of the polymeric complex anion and the  $\text{EMIm}^+$  cation of the title compound, with the atoms being presented as 50% displacement ellipsoids. Symmetry codes: (i)  $1 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z$ ; (ii)  $x, \frac{1}{2} - y, \frac{1}{2} + z$ ; (iii)  $x, \frac{1}{2} - y, -\frac{1}{2} - z$ .

The anionic layers are stacked along the crystallographic  $a$ -axis direction and separated by layers of the  $\text{EMIm}^+$  cations (see Fig. 3).

A similar type of polymeric structural motive is found in  $\text{Cd}^{\text{II}}$  complexes containing  $\text{SCN}^-$  ligands (Kuniyasu *et al.*, 1987; Chen *et al.*, 2002; Gao *et al.*, 2008; Dang *et al.*, 2011; Cao *et al.*, 2019).

### Synthesis and crystallization

The title compound,  $(\text{EMIm})[\text{Mn}(\text{NCS})_3]$ , was obtained as light-green single crystals directly from a charge of pure, liquid  $(\text{EMIm})_2[\text{Mn}(\text{NCS})_4]$  over a time period of several months.  $(\text{EMIm})_2[\text{Mn}(\text{NCS})_4]$  was prepared *via* a salt metathesis reaction from 2.05 mmol of  $(\text{EMIm})\text{Br}$  (Nishida *et al.*, 2003) and 1.00 mmol of  $\text{K}_2[\text{Mn}(\text{NCS})_4]$  as a light-green liquid in moderate yield (>70%) (Peppel *et al.*, 2019). Elemental



**Figure 2**  
View of the structure of the anionic  $[\text{Mn}(\text{NCS})_3]^-$  layer.

**Table 1**  
Experimental details.

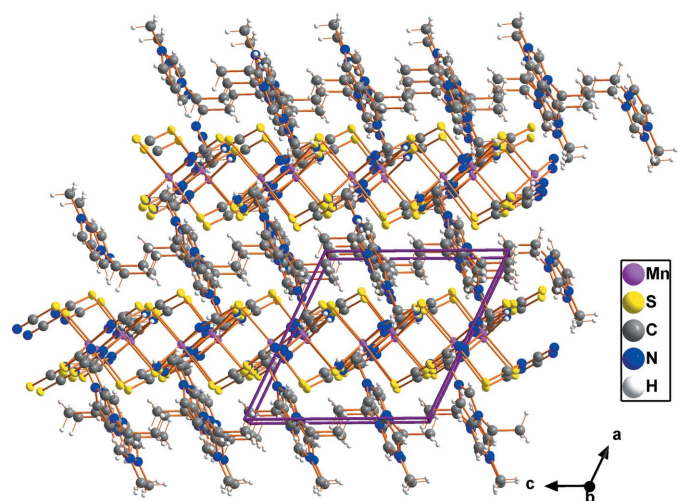
Crystal data	
Chemical formula	$(\text{C}_9\text{H}_{11}\text{N}_2)[\text{Mn}(\text{NCS})_3]$
$M_r$	340.35
Crystal system, space group	Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$
Temperature (K)	173
$a, b, c$ (Å)	9.9355 (5), 17.025 (1), 9.7743 (6)
$\beta$ (°)	116.107 (1)
$V$ (Å <sup>3</sup> )	1484.7 (2)
$Z$	4
Radiation type	Mo $K\alpha$
$\mu$ (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	1.29
Crystal size (mm)	0.45 × 0.25 × 0.20
Data collection	
Diffractometer	Bruker <i>APEX</i> X8 CCD
Absorption correction	Multi-scan ( <i>SADABS</i> ; Bruker, 2005)
No. of measured, independent and observed [ $I > 2\sigma(I)$ ] reflections	20690, 5123, 4084
$R_{\text{int}}$	0.038
$(\sin \theta/\lambda)_{\text{max}}$ (Å <sup>-1</sup> )	0.745
Refinement	
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)], wR(F^2), S$	0.027, 0.065, 1.00
No. of reflections	5123
No. of parameters	207
H-atom treatment	All H-atom parameters refined
$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}}, \Delta\rho_{\text{min}}$ (e Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.34, -0.27

Computer programs: *APEX2* and *SAINT* (Bruker, 2005), *SHELXS2014* (Sheldrick, 2015a), *SHELXL2014* (Sheldrick, 2015b) and *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 2008).

analysis for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{22}\text{MnN}_8\text{S}_4$  % (calc.): C 37.5 (37.7), H 4.1 (4.3), N 20.6 (21.9), S 22.3 (25.1).

### Refinement

Crystal data, data collection and structure refinement details are summarized in Table 1. One low angle reflection (100) was omitted in the structure refinement because its intensity was affected by the beam stop.



**Figure 3**  
The packing of anionic  $[\text{Mn}(\text{NCS})_3]^-$  and  $\text{EMIm}^+$  layers along  $a$ .

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## full crystallographic data

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(C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>11</sub>N<sub>2</sub>)[Mn(NCS)<sub>3</sub>]

$M_r = 340.35$

Monoclinic,  $P2_1/c$

$a = 9.9355$  (5) Å

$b = 17.025$  (1) Å

$c = 9.7743$  (6) Å

$\beta = 116.107$  (1)°

$V = 1484.7$  (2) Å<sup>3</sup>

$Z = 4$

$F(000) = 692$

$D_x = 1.523$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71073$  Å

Cell parameters from 5662 reflections

$\theta = 2.6$ – $31.8$ °

$\mu = 1.29$  mm<sup>-1</sup>

$T = 173$  K

Irregular block, light green

$0.45 \times 0.25 \times 0.20$  mm

*Data collection*

Bruker APEX X8 CCD  
diffractometer

Radiation source: sealed tube

$\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans

Absorption correction: multi-scan  
(SADABS; Bruker, 2005)

5123 independent reflections

4084 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$

$R_{\text{int}} = 0.038$

$\theta_{\text{max}} = 32.0$ °,  $\theta_{\text{min}} = 2.4$ °

$h = -14 \rightarrow 14$

$k = -25 \rightarrow 25$

$l = -14 \rightarrow 14$

20690 measured reflections

*Refinement*

Refinement on  $F^2$

Least-squares matrix: full

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.027$

$wR(F^2) = 0.065$

$S = 1.00$

5123 reflections

207 parameters

0 restraints

Primary atom site location: structure-invariant  
direct methods

Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier  
map

Hydrogen site location: difference Fourier map

All H-atom parameters refined

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0256P)^2 + 0.2744P]$

where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$

$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.34$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.27$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

*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.** All H atoms were located in a difference Fourier map and refined freely.

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

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
Mn	0.46124 (2)	0.33563 (2)	0.56139 (2)	0.02086 (5)
S1	0.67894 (4)	0.54391 (2)	0.37158 (4)	0.02376 (7)
C1	0.6170 (1)	0.46966 (7)	0.4348 (1)	0.0205 (2)
N1	0.5757 (1)	0.41700 (7)	0.4816 (1)	0.0263 (2)
S2	0.69073 (4)	0.15417 (2)	0.34079 (4)	0.02725 (8)
C2	0.6135 (1)	0.20229 (7)	0.4342 (1)	0.0229 (2)
N2	0.5587 (1)	0.23630 (7)	0.4990 (1)	0.0297 (2)
S3	0.21484 (4)	0.15971 (2)	0.78181 (4)	0.02471 (7)
C3	0.2818 (1)	0.21887 (7)	0.6940 (1)	0.0206 (2)
N3	0.3295 (1)	0.26164 (7)	0.6338 (1)	0.0262 (2)
N4	0.2096 (1)	0.43795 (7)	0.9264 (1)	0.0247 (2)
C4	0.1592 (2)	0.37295 (8)	0.8450 (1)	0.0243 (3)
H4A	0.209 (2)	0.3268 (9)	0.862 (2)	0.029 (4)*
N5	0.0219 (1)	0.38560 (7)	0.7376 (1)	0.0254 (2)
C5	-0.0165 (2)	0.46184 (9)	0.7513 (2)	0.0394 (4)
H5A	-0.108 (2)	0.485 (1)	0.685 (2)	0.058 (6)*
C6	0.1005 (2)	0.4941 (1)	0.8692 (2)	0.0369 (3)
H6A	0.113 (2)	0.542 (1)	0.911 (2)	0.048 (5)*
C7	0.3582 (2)	0.4484 (1)	1.0528 (2)	0.0340 (3)
H7A	0.419 (2)	0.414 (1)	1.052 (2)	0.061 (7)*
H7B	0.351 (2)	0.449 (1)	1.144 (3)	0.069 (7)*
H7C	0.392 (2)	0.496 (1)	1.039 (2)	0.048 (5)*
C8	-0.0702 (2)	0.32934 (9)	0.6187 (2)	0.0290 (3)
H8A	-0.170 (2)	0.3302 (9)	0.610 (2)	0.027 (4)*
H8B	-0.031 (2)	0.2779 (9)	0.653 (2)	0.026 (4)*
C9	-0.0690 (2)	0.3471 (1)	0.4682 (2)	0.0363 (3)
H9A	-0.135 (2)	0.311 (1)	0.395 (2)	0.045 (5)*
H9B	0.035 (2)	0.343 (1)	0.476 (2)	0.047 (5)*
H9C	-0.101 (2)	0.398 (1)	0.441 (2)	0.048 (5)*

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

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
Mn	0.0247 (1)	0.01898 (9)	0.02218 (9)	-0.00214 (7)	0.01328 (8)	0.00021 (7)
S1	0.0270 (2)	0.0216 (2)	0.0291 (2)	-0.0018 (1)	0.0182 (1)	0.0014 (1)
C1	0.0178 (5)	0.0237 (6)	0.0211 (5)	0.0019 (5)	0.0095 (5)	-0.0006 (4)
N1	0.0267 (6)	0.0243 (5)	0.0336 (6)	0.0027 (4)	0.0186 (5)	0.0037 (5)
S2	0.0265 (2)	0.0290 (2)	0.0260 (2)	0.0055 (1)	0.0112 (1)	-0.0003 (1)
C2	0.0239 (6)	0.0192 (6)	0.0214 (5)	-0.0007 (5)	0.0061 (5)	0.0017 (4)
N2	0.0347 (6)	0.0271 (6)	0.0258 (5)	0.0037 (5)	0.0119 (5)	-0.0010 (5)
S3	0.0267 (2)	0.0252 (2)	0.0250 (2)	-0.0042 (1)	0.0138 (1)	0.0024 (1)
C3	0.0214 (6)	0.0203 (6)	0.0191 (5)	0.0005 (5)	0.0079 (5)	-0.0018 (4)
N3	0.0288 (6)	0.0263 (6)	0.0231 (5)	-0.0038 (5)	0.0110 (4)	0.0013 (4)
N4	0.0256 (5)	0.0252 (5)	0.0225 (5)	-0.0018 (4)	0.0099 (4)	0.0006 (4)
C4	0.0243 (6)	0.0235 (6)	0.0251 (6)	0.0019 (5)	0.0109 (5)	0.0020 (5)

N5	0.0229 (5)	0.0239 (5)	0.0273 (5)	0.0005 (4)	0.0091 (4)	-0.0022 (4)
C5	0.0337 (8)	0.0302 (8)	0.0414 (8)	0.0109 (6)	0.0047 (7)	-0.0072 (6)
C6	0.0388 (8)	0.0269 (7)	0.0366 (8)	0.0051 (6)	0.0089 (7)	-0.0070 (6)
C7	0.0294 (8)	0.0363 (8)	0.0298 (7)	-0.0072 (7)	0.0073 (6)	-0.0003 (6)
C8	0.0230 (7)	0.0269 (7)	0.0330 (7)	-0.0023 (5)	0.0086 (6)	-0.0057 (6)
C9	0.0337 (8)	0.0393 (9)	0.0347 (8)	-0.0055 (7)	0.0140 (7)	-0.0098 (7)

## Geometric parameters (Å, °)

Mn—N1	2.145 (1)	N4—C7	1.460 (2)
Mn—N3	2.149 (1)	C4—N5	1.322 (2)
Mn—N2	2.165 (1)	C4—H4A	0.90 (2)
Mn—S2 <sup>i</sup>	2.6845 (4)	N5—C5	1.376 (2)
Mn—S1 <sup>ii</sup>	2.7163 (4)	N5—C8	1.473 (2)
Mn—S3 <sup>iii</sup>	2.7530 (4)	C5—C6	1.343 (2)
S1—C1	1.641 (1)	C5—H5A	0.94 (2)
S1—Mn <sup>ii</sup>	2.7163 (4)	C6—H6A	0.89 (2)
C1—N1	1.161 (2)	C7—H7A	0.84 (2)
S2—C2	1.646 (1)	C7—H7B	0.92 (2)
S2—Mn <sup>iii</sup>	2.6846 (4)	C7—H7C	0.91 (2)
C2—N2	1.156 (2)	C8—C9	1.506 (2)
S3—C3	1.643 (1)	C8—H8A	0.96 (2)
S3—Mn <sup>i</sup>	2.7530 (4)	C8—H8B	0.96 (2)
C3—N3	1.160 (2)	C9—H9A	0.96 (2)
N4—C4	1.326 (2)	C9—H9B	1.00 (2)
N4—C6	1.367 (2)	C9—H9C	0.93 (2)
N1—Mn—N3	174.68 (4)	N4—C4—H4A	126 (1)
N1—Mn—N2	91.59 (4)	C4—N5—C5	108.0 (1)
N3—Mn—N2	92.73 (5)	C4—N5—C8	125.9 (1)
N1—Mn—S2 <sup>i</sup>	88.82 (3)	C5—N5—C8	126.0 (1)
N3—Mn—S2 <sup>i</sup>	94.04 (3)	C6—C5—N5	107.3 (1)
N2—Mn—S2 <sup>i</sup>	92.99 (3)	C6—C5—H5A	129 (1)
N1—Mn—S1 <sup>ii</sup>	90.58 (3)	N5—C5—H5A	124 (1)
N3—Mn—S1 <sup>ii</sup>	84.94 (3)	C5—C6—N4	107.2 (1)
N2—Mn—S1 <sup>ii</sup>	176.25 (3)	C5—C6—H6A	131 (1)
S2 <sup>i</sup> —Mn—S1 <sup>ii</sup>	90.11 (1)	N4—C6—H6A	122 (1)
N1—Mn—S3 <sup>iii</sup>	90.14 (3)	N4—C7—H7A	112 (1)
N3—Mn—S3 <sup>iii</sup>	86.53 (3)	N4—C7—H7B	110 (1)
N2—Mn—S3 <sup>iii</sup>	93.18 (3)	H7A—C7—H7B	112 (2)
S2 <sup>i</sup> —Mn—S3 <sup>iii</sup>	173.77 (1)	N4—C7—H7C	106 (1)
S1 <sup>ii</sup> —Mn—S3 <sup>iii</sup>	83.76 (1)	H7A—C7—H7C	108 (2)
C1—S1—Mn <sup>ii</sup>	100.02 (4)	H7B—C7—H7C	109 (2)
N1—C1—S1	178.8 (1)	N5—C8—C9	111.8 (1)
C1—N1—Mn	168.1 (1)	N5—C8—H8A	108.5 (9)
C2—S2—Mn <sup>iii</sup>	97.91 (5)	C9—C8—H8A	111.5 (9)
N2—C2—S2	179.6 (1)	N5—C8—H8B	107.5 (9)
C2—N2—Mn	157.2 (1)	C9—C8—H8B	110.7 (9)

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C3—S3—Mn <sup>i</sup>	96.51 (4)	H8A—C8—H8B	107 (1)
N3—C3—S3	178.8 (1)	C8—C9—H9A	108 (1)
C3—N3—Mn	168.2 (1)	C8—C9—H9B	111 (1)
C4—N4—C6	108.4 (1)	H9A—C9—H9B	111 (2)
C4—N4—C7	125.7 (1)	C8—C9—H9C	109 (1)
C6—N4—C7	125.8 (1)	H9A—C9—H9C	111 (2)
N5—C4—N4	109.0 (1)	H9B—C9—H9C	107 (2)
N5—C4—H4A	125 (1)		
C6—N4—C4—N5	0.1 (2)	N5—C5—C6—N4	0.3 (2)
C7—N4—C4—N5	-178.2 (1)	C4—N4—C6—C5	-0.2 (2)
N4—C4—N5—C5	0.1 (2)	C7—N4—C6—C5	178.0 (1)
N4—C4—N5—C8	176.8 (1)	C4—N5—C8—C9	-100.8 (2)
C4—N5—C5—C6	-0.2 (2)	C5—N5—C8—C9	75.3 (2)
C8—N5—C5—C6	-176.9 (1)		

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Symmetry codes: (i)  $x, -y+1/2, z+1/2$ ; (ii)  $-x+1, -y+1, -z+1$ ; (iii)  $x, -y+1/2, z-1/2$ .