

# Bis[1,3-bis(diphenylphosphino)propane- $\kappa^2P,P'$ ]-nickel(0)

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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study  
*T* = 293 K  
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*R* factor = 0.036  
*wR* factor = 0.092  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 17.9

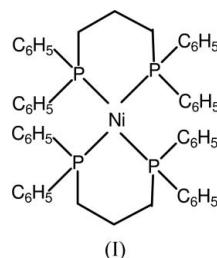
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The neutral title complex,  $[Ni(C_{27}H_{26}P_2)_2]$ , contains a distorted tetrahedrally coordinated  $Ni^0$  atom lying on a twofold rotation axis. The bridging propane groups of the ligands are twisted by approximately  $90^\circ$  with respect to each other.

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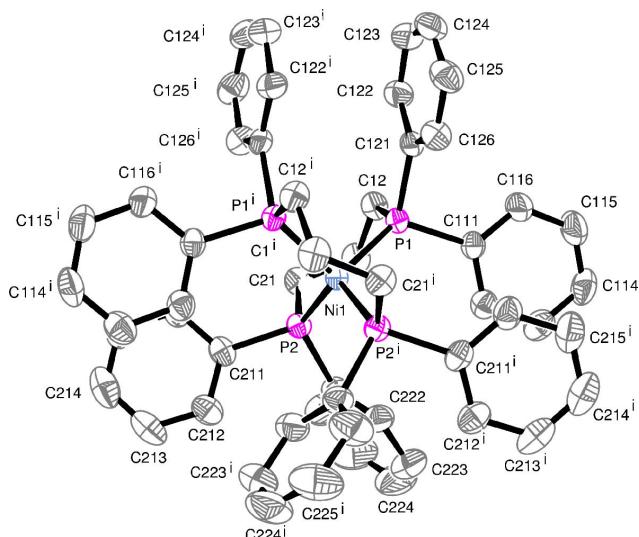
## Comment

As part of our ongoing studies to synthesize nickel compounds relevant to the structure and function of the microbial nickel-containing enzyme acetyl-CoA synthase, a range of new starting materials is required (Duff *et al.*, 2005; Evans, 2005). The title compound, (I), was obtained as a minor product from the attempted methylation of  $[NiCl_2(dppp)]$ , where dppp is 1,3-bis(diphenylphosphino)propane. Nickel(0) diphosphine (diphos) compounds of the type  $[Ni(diphos)_2]$  were first prepared 45 years ago by Chatt & Hart (1960). Compound (I) has since been prepared by various methods (van Hecke & Horrocks, 1966; Giannoccaro & Vasapollo, 1983; Fisher & Alyea, 1989; Bricout *et al.*, 1995), but its structure has not been reported until now.



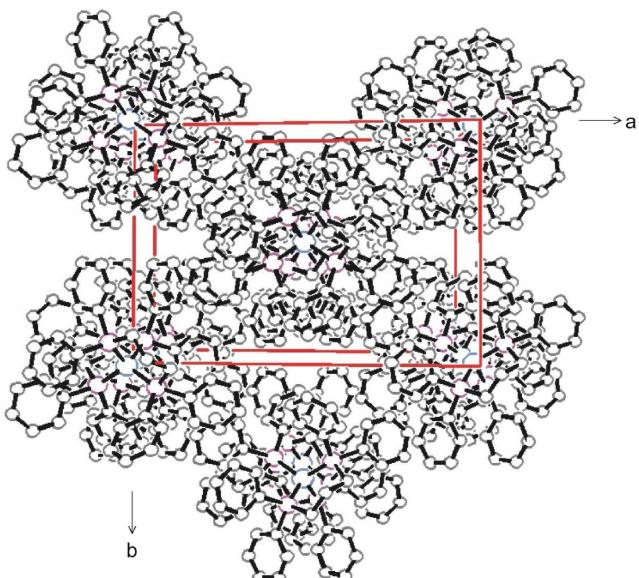
In (I), the Ni atom, which lies on a twofold rotation axis, displays a distorted tetrahedral coordination geometry; bond lengths to the P atoms are as expected, while the P–Ni–P angles range from  $99.52(2)^\circ$  within one dppp ligand to  $120.49(3)^\circ$  between the ligands (see Table 1). The ligands are arranged unsymmetrically about the Ni atom, with P–Ni–P angles between the ligands of  $106.38(3)$  and  $115.43(3)^\circ$ . The P atoms are also distorted tetrahedral, with angles ranging from  $98.58(9)$  to  $122.21(6)^\circ$ ; the trend is for angles involving the Ni atom and the ligating phenyl C atoms to be the largest and the angles involving the bridging C atoms and the ligating phenyl C atoms to be the smallest. The P–C–C and C–C–C angles about the bridging C atoms are also distorted, being slightly larger than the ideal tetrahedral value (see Table 1). Dimensions within the phenyl rings are not unusual.

Each molecule is arranged with the bridging propane groups twisted by approximately  $90^\circ$  with respect to each other, the angle between the normals to the  $NiP_2$  planes being  $92.44(2)^\circ$ . When viewed along the twofold rotation axis, three



**Figure 1**

A view of (I), with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level. H atoms have been omitted for clarity. [Symmetry code: (i)  $-x, y, \frac{1}{2} - z$ .]



**Figure 2**

Packing diagram of (I), viewed along the crystallographic  $c$  axis. Atoms are represented by arbitrary spheres. H atoms have been omitted.

of the phenyl rings of each dppp ligand lie with their normals at approximately right angles to the crystallographic  $b$  axis. The normal to the fourth phenyl ring in each ligand is approximately parallel to the crystallographic  $b$  axis. The molecules are arranged in chains parallel to the crystallographic  $c$  axis, with four chains enclosing a channel parallel to the  $c$  axis with normal van der Waals contacts binding the molecules within and across the rows (see Fig. 2).

The structure of the related compound  $[\text{Ni}(\text{dppe})_2]$ , (II), where dppe is 1,2-bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane, has been reported previously (Hartung *et al.*, 1989). The distorted tetrahedral coordination about the Ni atom is similar in both molecules, with bond lengths to the Ni atom in (II) lying in the range 2.152 (3)–2.177 (3) Å. Bond angles are slightly different in the two, due to the steric effects of an ethyl rather than a

propyl bridging group; in complex (II), the  $\text{P}–\text{Ni}–\text{P}$  angles within ligands are 90.8 (1) and 90.1 (1)°, while interligand  $\text{P}–\text{Ni}–\text{P}$  angles lie between 113.8 (1) and 129.3 (1)°.

## Experimental

To a stirred slurry of  $[\text{NiCl}_2(\text{dppp})]$  (0.20 g, 0.37 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (13 ml) was added a solution of methyl magnesium iodide in diethyl ether (3 M solution, 1.6 ml, 4.8 mmol) and additional tetrahydrofuran (20 ml). After 2 d, the mixture was filtered, and the filtrate was allowed to stand for two weeks; the solvent was then removed *in vacuo*. The solid residue was washed with diethyl ether to give a mixture of a brown solid and orange crystals of (I).

### Crystal data

|   |   |
|---|---|
| $[\text{Ni}(\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{26}\text{P}_2)_2]$ | $D_x = 1.287 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$           |
| $M_r = 883.55$  | Mo $K\alpha$ radiation                    |
| Monoclinic, $C2/c$                                    | Cell parameters from 25 reflections       |
| $a = 18.303 (6) \text{ \AA}$                          | $\theta = 10\text{--}11^\circ$            |
| $b = 13.212 (2) \text{ \AA}$                          | $\mu = 0.60 \text{ mm}^{-1}$              |
| $c = 20.023 (4) \text{ \AA}$                          | $T = 293 (2) \text{ K}$                   |
| $\beta = 109.67 (2)^\circ$                            | Rhomb, orange                             |
| $V = 4559 (2) \text{ \AA}^3$                          | $0.67 \times 0.52 \times 0.24 \text{ mm}$ |
| $Z = 4$   |   |

### Data collection

|  |                                  |
|--|----------------------------------|
| Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer  | $R_{\text{int}} = 0.008$         |
| $\omega/\theta$ scans  | $\theta_{\text{max}} = 30^\circ$ |
| Absorption correction: $\psi$ scan ( <i>EMPABS</i> ; Sheldrick <i>et al.</i> , 1977) | $h = -1 \rightarrow 25$          |
| $T_{\text{min}} = 0.823$ , $T_{\text{max}} = 0.865$                                  | $k = -1 \rightarrow 18$          |
| 7286 measured reflections  | $l = -28 \rightarrow 28$         |
| 6631 independent reflections   | 3 standard reflections           |
| 4569 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$   | frequency: 167 min               |
|  | intensity decay: none            |

### Refinement

|                                 |  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| Refinement on $F^2$             | $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.033P)^2 + 0.7751P]$     |
| $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.036$ | where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$                       |
| $wR(F^2) = 0.092$               | $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.003$               |
| $S = 1.07$                      | $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.38 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$  |
| 6631 reflections                | $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.25 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$ |
| 371 parameters                  | All H-atom parameters refined                        |

**Table 1**

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

|                                      |             |               |             |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| Ni1–P1                               | 2.1752 (6)  | P1–C111       | 1.8449 (18) |
| Ni1–P1 <sup>i</sup>                  | 2.1753 (6)  | P1–C12        | 1.8484 (19) |
| Ni1–P2                               | 2.1790 (6)  | P2–C21        | 1.8473 (19) |
| Ni1–P2 <sup>i</sup>                  | 2.1790 (6)  | P2–C211       | 1.8486 (19) |
| P1–C121                              | 1.8413 (18) | P2–C221       | 1.8552 (19) |
| P1–Ni1–P1 <sup>i</sup>               | 106.38 (3)  | C12–P1–Ni1    | 115.31 (7)  |
| P1–Ni1–P2                            | 99.52 (2)   | C21–P2–C211   | 98.92 (9)   |
| P1 <sup>i</sup> –Ni1–P2              | 115.43 (3)  | C21–P2–C221   | 98.58 (9)   |
| P1–Ni1–P2 <sup>i</sup>               | 115.43 (3)  | C211–P2–C221  | 99.78 (9)   |
| P1 <sup>i</sup> –Ni1–P2 <sup>i</sup> | 99.51 (2)   | C21–P2–Ni1    | 112.49 (7)  |
| P2–Ni1–P2 <sup>i</sup>               | 120.49 (3)  | C211–P2–Ni1   | 122.21 (6)  |
| C121–P1–C111                         | 100.36 (8)  | C221–P2–Ni1   | 120.47 (7)  |
| C121–P1–C12                          | 100.74 (9)  | C1–C12–P1     | 113.75 (14) |
| C111–P1–C12                          | 98.71 (9)   | C12–C1–C21    | 113.54 (17) |
| C121–P1–Ni1                          | 118.59 (6)  | C1–C21–P2     | 113.02 (13) |
| C111–P1–Ni1                          | 119.59 (6)  |               |             |
| Ni1–P1–C12–C1                        | −46.88 (17) | C12–C1–C21–P2 | −78.6 (2)   |
| P1–C12–C1–C21                        | 73.0 (2)    | C1–C21–P2–Ni1 | 55.34 (16)  |

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Data collection: *CAD-4 EXPRESS* (Enraf–Nonius, 1992); cell refinement: *CAD-4 EXPRESS*; data reduction: *CAD-4 Processing Program* (Hursthouse, 1976); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEP-3* (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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direct methods

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#### Special details

**Experimental.** Data were corrected for Lorentz polarization effects (Hursthouse, 1976), absorption by semiempirical  $\psi$ -scan methods (Sheldrick *et al.*, 1977) and negative intensities by Bayesian statistics (French & Wilson, 1978). French, S. & Wilson, K. (1978). *Acta Cryst. A*34, 517–525.

**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 ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )*

|      | <i>x</i>      | <i>y</i>      | <i>z</i>     | $U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$ |
|------|---------------|---------------|--------------|----------------------------------|
| Ni1  | 0.0000        | -0.00211 (2)  | 0.2500       | 0.02603 (8)                      |
| P1   | 0.04468 (2)   | -0.10075 (3)  | 0.34176 (2)  | 0.02942 (10)                     |
| P2   | -0.08743 (2)  | 0.07975 (3)   | 0.28021 (2)  | 0.03126 (10)                     |
| C111 | 0.12759 (10)  | -0.05877 (14) | 0.41856 (9)  | 0.0344 (4)                       |
| C112 | 0.13913 (11)  | 0.04289 (16)  | 0.43062 (10) | 0.0406 (4)                       |
| H112 | 0.1056 (13)   | 0.0891 (17)   | 0.3983 (12)  | 0.057 (7)*                       |
| C113 | 0.19995 (13)  | 0.07926 (18)  | 0.48799 (11) | 0.0502 (5)                       |
| H113 | 0.2042 (14)   | 0.155 (2)     | 0.4927 (13)  | 0.074 (8)*                       |
| C114 | 0.25006 (13)  | 0.0130 (2)    | 0.53318 (11) | 0.0570 (6)                       |
| H114 | 0.2924 (13)   | 0.0361 (17)   | 0.5729 (12)  | 0.057 (6)*                       |
| C115 | 0.23919 (15)  | -0.0889 (2)   | 0.52262 (13) | 0.0682 (7)                       |
| H115 | 0.2733 (16)   | -0.141 (2)    | 0.5581 (14)  | 0.085 (8)*                       |
| C116 | 0.17854 (14)  | -0.12530 (18) | 0.46590 (12) | 0.0567 (6)                       |
| H116 | 0.1697 (14)   | -0.1929 (19)  | 0.4588 (12)  | 0.063 (7)*                       |
| C121 | 0.07722 (10)  | -0.22882 (13) | 0.32874 (8)  | 0.0333 (4)                       |
| C122 | 0.04587 (12)  | -0.31772 (16) | 0.34380 (11) | 0.0457 (5)                       |
| H122 | 0.0055 (13)   | -0.3146 (17)  | 0.3628 (12)  | 0.059 (7)*                       |
| C123 | 0.07029 (14)  | -0.41097 (17) | 0.32785 (13) | 0.0565 (6)                       |
| H123 | 0.0494 (13)   | -0.4704 (19)  | 0.3373 (12)  | 0.059 (7)*                       |
| C124 | 0.12711 (15)  | -0.41724 (18) | 0.29788 (12) | 0.0570 (6)                       |
| H124 | 0.1449 (15)   | -0.481 (2)    | 0.2875 (13)  | 0.075 (8)*                       |
| C125 | 0.16018 (14)  | -0.33040 (18) | 0.28383 (11) | 0.0533 (5)                       |
| H125 | 0.1982 (14)   | -0.3318 (19)  | 0.2608 (13)  | 0.073 (8)*                       |
| C126 | 0.13487 (12)  | -0.23706 (16) | 0.29849 (11) | 0.0441 (4)                       |
| H126 | 0.1576 (12)   | -0.1790 (16)  | 0.2872 (10)  | 0.049 (6)*                       |
| C12  | -0.02427 (11) | -0.13028 (16) | 0.38852 (10) | 0.0387 (4)                       |
| H12A | -0.0594 (11)  | -0.1765 (15)  | 0.3599 (10)  | 0.039 (5)*                       |
| H12B | 0.0039 (12)   | -0.1644 (16)  | 0.4323 (11)  | 0.051 (6)*                       |
| C1   | -0.06657 (12) | -0.03820 (17) | 0.40259 (10) | 0.0419 (4)                       |
| H1A  | -0.0319 (11)  | 0.0144 (14)   | 0.4246 (10)  | 0.033 (5)*                       |
| H1B  | -0.0900 (12)  | -0.0558 (15)  | 0.4353 (10)  | 0.045 (6)*                       |
| C21  | -0.12839 (10) | 0.00308 (16)  | 0.33623 (10) | 0.0383 (4)                       |
| H21A | -0.1655 (12)  | 0.0442 (16)   | 0.3475 (10)  | 0.042 (5)*                       |
| H21B | -0.1575 (12)  | -0.0511 (16)  | 0.3064 (11)  | 0.045 (6)*                       |
| C211 | -0.17899 (10) | 0.12446 (15)  | 0.21406 (9)  | 0.0381 (4)                       |
| C212 | -0.19222 (13) | 0.22572 (17)  | 0.19513 (12) | 0.0478 (5)                       |

|      |               |              |              |             |
|------|---------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| H212 | -0.1570 (11)  | 0.2741 (15)  | 0.2186 (10)  | 0.041 (6)*  |
| C213 | -0.26050 (16) | 0.2561 (2)   | 0.14274 (13) | 0.0605 (6)  |
| H213 | -0.2650 (15)  | 0.328 (2)    | 0.1318 (13)  | 0.074 (8)*  |
| C214 | -0.31584 (15) | 0.1867 (2)   | 0.10910 (13) | 0.0659 (7)  |
| H214 | -0.3636 (17)  | 0.204 (2)    | 0.0721 (15)  | 0.095 (9)*  |
| C215 | -0.30412 (14) | 0.0864 (2)   | 0.12650 (13) | 0.0610 (6)  |
| H215 | -0.3406 (16)  | 0.034 (2)    | 0.1062 (15)  | 0.084 (9)*  |
| C216 | -0.23574 (12) | 0.05534 (18) | 0.17845 (11) | 0.0469 (5)  |
| H216 | -0.2283 (13)  | -0.0155 (17) | 0.1895 (11)  | 0.054 (7)*  |
| C221 | -0.06057 (11) | 0.19386 (14) | 0.33727 (10) | 0.0407 (4)  |
| C222 | 0.00923 (14)  | 0.24073 (16) | 0.34617 (13) | 0.0509 (5)  |
| H222 | 0.0392 (14)   | 0.2186 (19)  | 0.3225 (13)  | 0.069 (8)*  |
| C223 | 0.03409 (19)  | 0.3226 (2)   | 0.39189 (17) | 0.0753 (8)  |
| H223 | 0.0810 (16)   | 0.349 (2)    | 0.3959 (14)  | 0.078 (9)*  |
| C224 | -0.0111 (2)   | 0.3577 (2)   | 0.42868 (17) | 0.0862 (10) |
| H224 | 0.0044 (18)   | 0.409 (2)    | 0.4578 (16)  | 0.094 (10)* |
| C225 | -0.0812 (2)   | 0.3138 (2)   | 0.41992 (17) | 0.0876 (10) |
| H225 | -0.1124 (18)  | 0.341 (2)    | 0.4459 (16)  | 0.103 (10)* |
| C226 | -0.10644 (17) | 0.2326 (2)   | 0.37443 (15) | 0.0663 (7)  |
| H226 | -0.1560 (15)  | 0.199 (2)    | 0.3690 (13)  | 0.082 (9)*  |

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

|      | $U^{11}$     | $U^{22}$     | $U^{33}$     | $U^{12}$     | $U^{13}$     | $U^{23}$      |
|------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| Ni1  | 0.02445 (14) | 0.02904 (15) | 0.02616 (14) | 0.000        | 0.01059 (11) | 0.000         |
| P1   | 0.0278 (2)   | 0.0329 (2)   | 0.0280 (2)   | 0.00107 (17) | 0.00993 (16) | 0.00261 (17)  |
| P2   | 0.0289 (2)   | 0.0340 (2)   | 0.0336 (2)   | 0.00280 (17) | 0.01413 (17) | -0.00095 (18) |
| C111 | 0.0335 (9)   | 0.0417 (10)  | 0.0273 (8)   | 0.0000 (7)   | 0.0093 (7)   | 0.0011 (7)    |
| C112 | 0.0436 (10)  | 0.0457 (11)  | 0.0313 (9)   | -0.0015 (9)  | 0.0110 (8)   | 0.0024 (8)    |
| C113 | 0.0575 (13)  | 0.0526 (13)  | 0.0406 (10)  | -0.0115 (11) | 0.0167 (10)  | -0.0071 (10)  |
| C114 | 0.0456 (12)  | 0.0739 (17)  | 0.0404 (11)  | -0.0060 (11) | 0.0000 (9)   | -0.0150 (11)  |
| C115 | 0.0611 (15)  | 0.0683 (17)  | 0.0513 (13)  | 0.0150 (13)  | -0.0124 (11) | -0.0063 (12)  |
| C116 | 0.0598 (14)  | 0.0455 (12)  | 0.0473 (12)  | 0.0082 (11)  | -0.0051 (10) | -0.0029 (10)  |
| C121 | 0.0341 (9)   | 0.0337 (9)   | 0.0281 (8)   | 0.0029 (7)   | 0.0051 (7)   | 0.0021 (7)    |
| C122 | 0.0453 (11)  | 0.0382 (10)  | 0.0521 (11)  | 0.0005 (9)   | 0.0144 (9)   | 0.0064 (9)    |
| C123 | 0.0609 (14)  | 0.0353 (11)  | 0.0638 (14)  | -0.0009 (10) | 0.0085 (12)  | 0.0059 (10)   |
| C124 | 0.0652 (15)  | 0.0409 (12)  | 0.0541 (13)  | 0.0170 (11)  | 0.0058 (11)  | -0.0035 (10)  |
| C125 | 0.0560 (13)  | 0.0559 (14)  | 0.0495 (12)  | 0.0181 (11)  | 0.0196 (10)  | -0.0004 (10)  |
| C126 | 0.0451 (11)  | 0.0450 (11)  | 0.0440 (10)  | 0.0027 (9)   | 0.0173 (9)   | 0.0016 (9)    |
| C12  | 0.0372 (10)  | 0.0452 (11)  | 0.0372 (9)   | -0.0001 (8)  | 0.0172 (8)   | 0.0089 (8)    |
| C1   | 0.0436 (11)  | 0.0547 (12)  | 0.0346 (9)   | 0.0010 (9)   | 0.0227 (8)   | 0.0032 (9)    |
| C21  | 0.0343 (9)   | 0.0457 (11)  | 0.0414 (9)   | 0.0031 (9)   | 0.0214 (8)   | 0.0014 (9)    |
| C211 | 0.0342 (9)   | 0.0468 (11)  | 0.0377 (9)   | 0.0108 (8)   | 0.0180 (8)   | 0.0013 (8)    |
| C212 | 0.0477 (12)  | 0.0490 (12)  | 0.0515 (12)  | 0.0092 (10)  | 0.0231 (10)  | 0.0072 (10)   |
| C213 | 0.0672 (16)  | 0.0634 (16)  | 0.0570 (13)  | 0.0298 (13)  | 0.0291 (12)  | 0.0210 (12)   |
| C214 | 0.0538 (14)  | 0.093 (2)    | 0.0480 (13)  | 0.0289 (14)  | 0.0132 (11)  | 0.0053 (13)   |
| C215 | 0.0432 (12)  | 0.0832 (19)  | 0.0508 (12)  | 0.0117 (13)  | 0.0080 (10)  | -0.0121 (13)  |
| C216 | 0.0392 (10)  | 0.0542 (13)  | 0.0456 (11)  | 0.0085 (9)   | 0.0121 (9)   | -0.0055 (10)  |

|      |             |             |             |              |             |              |
|------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| C221 | 0.0448 (10) | 0.0371 (10) | 0.0412 (10) | 0.0045 (8)   | 0.0158 (8)  | -0.0046 (8)  |
| C222 | 0.0527 (13) | 0.0392 (11) | 0.0606 (13) | -0.0006 (10) | 0.0186 (11) | -0.0066 (10) |
| C223 | 0.0733 (18) | 0.0480 (14) | 0.095 (2)   | -0.0121 (14) | 0.0153 (16) | -0.0154 (14) |
| C224 | 0.117 (3)   | 0.0536 (17) | 0.083 (2)   | -0.0052 (18) | 0.0271 (19) | -0.0309 (15) |
| C225 | 0.128 (3)   | 0.0631 (18) | 0.090 (2)   | 0.0032 (19)  | 0.060 (2)   | -0.0292 (16) |
| C226 | 0.0747 (17) | 0.0596 (15) | 0.0774 (17) | -0.0023 (13) | 0.0426 (14) | -0.0234 (13) |

Geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ )

|                                      |             |               |             |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| Ni1—P1                               | 2.1752 (6)  | C126—H126     | 0.94 (2)    |
| Ni1—P1 <sup>i</sup>                  | 2.1753 (6)  | C12—C1        | 1.519 (3)   |
| Ni1—P2                               | 2.1790 (6)  | C12—H12A      | 0.93 (2)    |
| Ni1—P2 <sup>i</sup>                  | 2.1790 (6)  | C12—H12B      | 0.97 (2)    |
| P1—C121                              | 1.8413 (18) | C1—C21        | 1.527 (3)   |
| P1—C111                              | 1.8449 (18) | C1—H1A        | 0.944 (19)  |
| P1—C12                               | 1.8484 (19) | C1—H1B        | 0.93 (2)    |
| P2—C21                               | 1.8473 (19) | C21—H21A      | 0.95 (2)    |
| P2—C211                              | 1.8486 (19) | C21—H21B      | 0.97 (2)    |
| P2—C221                              | 1.8552 (19) | C211—C216     | 1.387 (3)   |
| C111—C112                            | 1.369 (3)   | C211—C212     | 1.389 (3)   |
| C111—C116                            | 1.395 (3)   | C212—C213     | 1.393 (3)   |
| C112—C113                            | 1.389 (3)   | C212—H212     | 0.92 (2)    |
| C112—H112                            | 0.95 (2)    | C213—C214     | 1.364 (4)   |
| C113—C114                            | 1.366 (3)   | C213—H213     | 0.97 (3)    |
| C113—H113                            | 1.00 (3)    | C214—C215     | 1.369 (4)   |
| C114—C115                            | 1.368 (3)   | C214—H214     | 0.96 (3)    |
| C114—H114                            | 0.95 (2)    | C215—C216     | 1.393 (3)   |
| C115—C116                            | 1.380 (3)   | C215—H215     | 0.95 (3)    |
| C115—H115                            | 1.03 (3)    | C216—H216     | 0.96 (2)    |
| C116—H116                            | 0.91 (2)    | C221—C222     | 1.376 (3)   |
| C121—C122                            | 1.384 (3)   | C221—C226     | 1.393 (3)   |
| C121—C126                            | 1.386 (3)   | C222—C223     | 1.390 (3)   |
| C122—C123                            | 1.384 (3)   | C222—H222     | 0.89 (2)    |
| C122—H122                            | 0.94 (2)    | C223—C224     | 1.361 (4)   |
| C123—C124                            | 1.367 (4)   | C223—H223     | 0.91 (3)    |
| C123—H123                            | 0.92 (2)    | C224—C225     | 1.365 (5)   |
| C124—C125                            | 1.370 (3)   | C224—H224     | 0.87 (3)    |
| C124—H124                            | 0.95 (3)    | C225—C226     | 1.381 (4)   |
| C125—C126                            | 1.383 (3)   | C225—H225     | 0.96 (3)    |
| C125—H125                            | 0.95 (3)    | C226—H226     | 0.98 (3)    |
| P1—Ni1—P1 <sup>i</sup>               | 106.38 (3)  | C1—C12—P1     | 113.75 (14) |
| P1—Ni1—P2                            | 99.52 (2)   | C1—C12—H12A   | 110.4 (12)  |
| P1 <sup>i</sup> —Ni1—P2              | 115.43 (3)  | P1—C12—H12A   | 106.0 (12)  |
| P1—Ni1—P2 <sup>i</sup>               | 115.43 (3)  | C1—C12—H12B   | 110.8 (12)  |
| P1 <sup>i</sup> —Ni1—P2 <sup>i</sup> | 99.51 (2)   | P1—C12—H12B   | 108.1 (12)  |
| P2—Ni1—P2 <sup>i</sup>               | 120.49 (3)  | H12A—C12—H12B | 107.5 (17)  |
| C121—P1—C111                         | 100.36 (8)  | C12—C1—C21    | 113.54 (17) |

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|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|
| C121—P1—C12    | 100.74 (9)  | C12—C1—H1A     | 111.8 (11)  |
| C111—P1—C12    | 98.71 (9)   | C21—C1—H1A     | 109.2 (11)  |
| C121—P1—Ni1    | 118.59 (6)  | C12—C1—H1B     | 108.5 (13)  |
| C111—P1—Ni1    | 119.59 (6)  | C21—C1—H1B     | 108.8 (13)  |
| C12—P1—Ni1     | 115.31 (7)  | H1A—C1—H1B     | 104.7 (17)  |
| C21—P2—C211    | 98.92 (9)   | C1—C21—P2      | 113.02 (13) |
| C21—P2—C221    | 98.58 (9)   | C1—C21—H21A    | 112.1 (12)  |
| C211—P2—C221   | 99.78 (9)   | P2—C21—H21A    | 107.3 (12)  |
| C21—P2—Ni1     | 112.49 (7)  | C1—C21—H21B    | 111.4 (12)  |
| C211—P2—Ni1    | 122.21 (6)  | P2—C21—H21B    | 106.4 (12)  |
| C221—P2—Ni1    | 120.47 (7)  | H21A—C21—H21B  | 106.2 (17)  |
| C112—C111—C116 | 118.06 (18) | C216—C211—C212 | 117.54 (19) |
| C112—C111—P1   | 118.49 (14) | C216—C211—P2   | 119.96 (15) |
| C116—C111—P1   | 123.44 (16) | C212—C211—P2   | 122.40 (16) |
| C111—C112—C113 | 121.25 (19) | C211—C212—C213 | 120.8 (2)   |
| C111—C112—H112 | 119.0 (13)  | C211—C212—H212 | 120.2 (13)  |
| C113—C112—H112 | 119.7 (13)  | C213—C212—H212 | 118.9 (13)  |
| C114—C113—C112 | 119.9 (2)   | C214—C213—C212 | 120.5 (2)   |
| C114—C113—H113 | 124.1 (14)  | C214—C213—H213 | 123.5 (15)  |
| C112—C113—H113 | 116.0 (14)  | C212—C213—H213 | 116.0 (16)  |
| C113—C114—C115 | 119.9 (2)   | C213—C214—C215 | 119.9 (2)   |
| C113—C114—H114 | 121.5 (14)  | C213—C214—H214 | 123.7 (18)  |
| C115—C114—H114 | 118.6 (14)  | C215—C214—H214 | 116.4 (18)  |
| C114—C115—C116 | 120.3 (2)   | C214—C215—C216 | 120.0 (3)   |
| C114—C115—H115 | 121.5 (15)  | C214—C215—H215 | 124.4 (17)  |
| C116—C115—H115 | 118.0 (15)  | C216—C215—H215 | 115.6 (17)  |
| C115—C116—C111 | 120.6 (2)   | C211—C216—C215 | 121.3 (2)   |
| C115—C116—H116 | 121.4 (15)  | C211—C216—H216 | 120.0 (13)  |
| C111—C116—H116 | 118.0 (15)  | C215—C216—H216 | 118.8 (13)  |
| C122—C121—C126 | 117.44 (18) | C222—C221—C226 | 117.7 (2)   |
| C122—C121—P1   | 124.83 (15) | C222—C221—P2   | 119.18 (15) |
| C126—C121—P1   | 117.65 (14) | C226—C221—P2   | 123.04 (17) |
| C123—C122—C121 | 121.0 (2)   | C221—C222—C223 | 121.3 (2)   |
| C123—C122—H122 | 119.4 (14)  | C221—C222—H222 | 119.8 (16)  |
| C121—C122—H122 | 119.5 (14)  | C223—C222—H222 | 119.0 (17)  |
| C124—C123—C122 | 120.5 (2)   | C224—C223—C222 | 119.9 (3)   |
| C124—C123—H123 | 117.9 (15)  | C224—C223—H223 | 123.1 (18)  |
| C122—C123—H123 | 121.5 (15)  | C222—C223—H223 | 117.0 (18)  |
| C123—C124—C125 | 119.6 (2)   | C223—C224—C225 | 120.1 (3)   |
| C123—C124—H124 | 121.2 (16)  | C223—C224—H224 | 120 (2)     |
| C125—C124—H124 | 119.3 (16)  | C225—C224—H224 | 120 (2)     |
| C124—C125—C126 | 120.0 (2)   | C224—C225—C226 | 120.4 (3)   |
| C124—C125—H125 | 121.8 (16)  | C224—C225—H225 | 118.4 (19)  |
| C126—C125—H125 | 118.0 (16)  | C226—C225—H225 | 121.2 (19)  |
| C125—C126—C121 | 121.4 (2)   | C225—C226—C221 | 120.6 (3)   |
| C125—C126—H126 | 118.1 (13)  | C225—C226—H226 | 121.0 (16)  |
| C121—C126—H126 | 120.5 (13)  | C221—C226—H226 | 118.3 (16)  |

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|---------------|-------------|---------------|------------|
| Ni1—P1—C12—C1 | −46.88 (17) | C12—C1—C21—P2 | −78.6 (2)  |
| P1—C12—C1—C21 | 73.0 (2)    | C1—C21—P2—Ni1 | 55.34 (16) |

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