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## catena-Poly[[diiodidomercury(II)]- $\mu$ -nicotine- $\kappa^2$ N:N']

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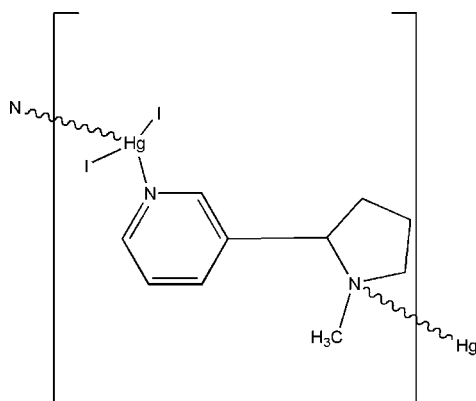
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 123$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.010$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.023;  $wR$  factor = 0.049; data-to-parameter ratio = 17.1.

The title polymeric complex,  $[\text{HgI}_2(\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_2)]_n$ , was prepared from a solution of nicotine, mercury(II) iodide and 4-cyanopyridine in dimethylformamide. Each nicotine molecule is bonded to two Hg atoms, one through the pyrrolidine N atom and the other through the pyridine N atom, forming infinite zigzag polymeric chains. The coordination around mercury is completed by two iodide ligands, resulting in a distorted tetrahedral arrangement.

### Related literature

For related literature, see: Udupa & Krebs, (1980); Meyer *et al.*, (2006); Haendler, (1990).



### Experimental

#### Crystal data

$[\text{HgI}_2(\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_2)]$   
 $M_r = 616.62$   
 Orthorhombic,  $P2_12_12_1$   
 $a = 7.7171$  (2) Å  
 $b = 11.1548$  (3) Å  
 $c = 15.9646$  (4) Å

$V = 1374.28$  (6) Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 4$   
 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 15.67$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 123$  (2) K  
 $0.20 \times 0.16 \times 0.12$  mm

#### Data collection

Bruker SMART APEXII CCD diffractometer  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 2000)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.062$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.15$

6248 measured reflections  
 2344 independent reflections  
 2274 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.030$

#### Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.023$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.049$   
 $S = 0.92$   
 2344 reflections  
 137 parameters  
 6 restraints

H-atom parameters constrained  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.89$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -1.31$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 Absolute structure: Flack (1983),  
 852 Friedel pairs  
 Flack parameter: 0.033 (5)

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: SHELXL97; software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97 and PLATON (Spek, 2003).

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Numerous complexes of nicotine [3-(1-methyl-2-pyrrolidinyl)pyridine] have been reported to form molecular complexes and polycomplexes with metals (Udupa & Krebs, 1980; Meyer *et al.*, 2006; Haendler, 1990). However, the crystal structure of the polycomplex, di-iodido(nicotine)mercury(II), has not been reported so far. In order to further explore the structural chemistry of nicotine complexes, we synthesized and determined the structure of the title compound (I).

As illustrated in Fig. 1, each nicotine molecule in (I) is coordinated to two adjacent mercury atoms, one through the pyrrolidine nitrogen (Hg—N 2.428 (7) Å) and the other through the pyridine nitrogen (Hg—N 2.454 (5) Å), forming zigzag polymeric chains. The coordination around mercury is completed by two iodide ligands (Hg—I 2.6819 (6) and 2.6536 (5) Å), resulting in a distorted tetrahedral arrangement. In addition, the absolute configurations of C6 and N2 can be given as *S* (*S*-nicotine was used as a starting material). No notable interactions were found between polymeric chains.

Examples of closely related compounds containing nicotine ligands include a mercury(II) chain polymer (Udupa & Krebs, 1980), a helical silver(I) coordination polymer (Meyer *et al.*, 2006) and a chloride-nicotine copper(II) complex (Haendler, 1990).

**S2. Experimental**

HgI<sub>2</sub> (454 mg, 1 mmol) was added to a solution of 4-cyanopyridine (104 mg, 1 mmol) in dmf (5 ml). The resulting mixture was stirred for about 10 min after which a white precipitate formed. *S*-Nicotine (3 ml) was then added dropwise to the reaction mixture and stirring was continued, during which time the precipitate changed its colour, giving a flesh colored precipitate. The precipitate was washed with ethanol and vacuum dried. Yield: 0.435 g, 70% (based on HgI<sub>2</sub> used). The compound (100 mg) was dissolved in dmf (5 ml), the resulting solution filtered and the light-yellow filtrate transferred into a test tube and *i*-PrOH (10 ml) was carefully laid on the surface of the filtrate. Light-yellow block crystals were obtained after 15 days. Analysis: Found: C 34.52, H 3.90, N 7.90%; Calculated for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>14</sub>HgI<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>: C 34.35, H 4.04, N 8.01%.

**S3. Refinement**

H atoms were positioned geometrically and refined using a riding model, with C—H = 0.95–1.00 Å and with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2$  (1.5 for methyl groups) times  $U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ .

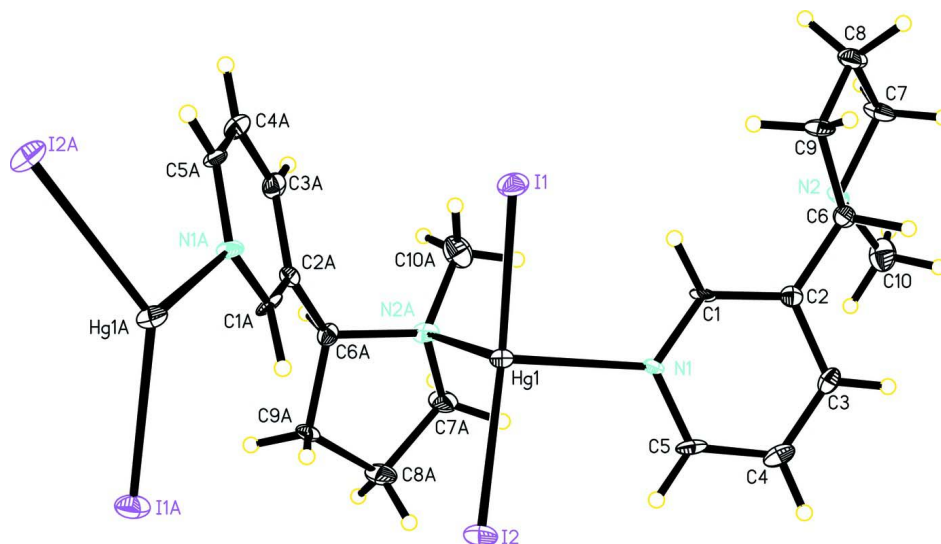


Figure 1

Molecular structure of the title compound, with atom labels and 50% probability displacement ellipsoids. All H atoms have been omitted. Symmetry transformations: A is  $-x+1/2, -y, z+1/2$ .

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Cell parameters from 2274 reflections

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$h = -9 \rightarrow 6$

$k = -13 \rightarrow 11$

$l = -19 \rightarrow 15$

*Refinement*

Refinement on  $F^2$

Least-squares matrix: full

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$wR(F^2) = 0.049$

$S = 0.92$

2344 reflections

137 parameters

6 restraints

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 constrained

$$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2)]$$

where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.002$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.89 \text{ e } \text{Å}^{-3}$

$$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -1.31 \text{ e } \text{Å}^{-3}$$

Absolute structure: Flack (1983), 852 Friedel  
 pairs  
 Absolute structure parameter: 0.033 (5)

*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 (Å<sup>2</sup>)*

|      | <i>x</i>    | <i>y</i>    | <i>z</i>      | $U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$ |
|------|-------------|-------------|---------------|----------------------------------|
| C1   | 0.7832 (10) | 0.7760 (5)  | 0.7209 (4)    | 0.0132 (17)                      |
| H1   | 0.8193      | 0.7899      | 0.7770        | 0.016*                           |
| C2   | 0.6807 (9)  | 0.6765 (5)  | 0.7059 (5)    | 0.0103 (16)                      |
| C3   | 0.6386 (10) | 0.6555 (6)  | 0.6213 (5)    | 0.0140 (17)                      |
| H3   | 0.5718      | 0.5874      | 0.6060        | 0.017*                           |
| C4   | 0.6952 (10) | 0.7348 (6)  | 0.5605 (5)    | 0.0179 (18)                      |
| H4   | 0.6661      | 0.7219      | 0.5034        | 0.022*                           |
| C5   | 0.7939 (10) | 0.8325 (6)  | 0.5829 (5)    | 0.0136 (17)                      |
| H5   | 0.8333      | 0.8858      | 0.5406        | 0.016*                           |
| C6   | 0.6217 (10) | 0.5906 (6)  | 0.7722 (4)    | 0.0119 (17)                      |
| H6   | 0.5072      | 0.5572      | 0.7543        | 0.014*                           |
| C7   | 0.6751 (11) | 0.4290 (6)  | 0.8612 (5)    | 0.0188 (19)                      |
| H7A  | 0.7662      | 0.3799      | 0.8882        | 0.023*                           |
| H7B  | 0.5756      | 0.3766      | 0.8474        | 0.023*                           |
| C8   | 0.6183 (11) | 0.5305 (6)  | 0.9193 (4)    | 0.0185 (19)                      |
| H8A  | 0.7063      | 0.5453      | 0.9633        | 0.022*                           |
| H8B  | 0.5063      | 0.5115      | 0.9465        | 0.022*                           |
| C9   | 0.6006 (10) | 0.6397 (6)  | 0.8611 (4)    | 0.0140 (17)                      |
| H9A  | 0.4857      | 0.6778      | 0.8681        | 0.017*                           |
| H9B  | 0.6915      | 0.6998      | 0.8735        | 0.017*                           |
| C10  | 0.7411 (11) | 0.4025 (6)  | 0.7151 (5)    | 0.023 (2)                        |
| H10A | 0.7971      | 0.3277      | 0.7324        | 0.034*                           |
| H10B | 0.8038      | 0.4368      | 0.6674        | 0.034*                           |
| H10C | 0.6210      | 0.3861      | 0.6988        | 0.034*                           |
| Hg1  | 0.95797 (4) | 1.05075 (2) | 0.698176 (18) | 0.01298 (8)                      |
| I1   | 0.84450 (6) | 1.06434 (4) | 0.85667 (3)   | 0.01766 (13)                     |
| I2   | 0.91255 (7) | 1.16336 (4) | 0.55341 (3)   | 0.02021 (14)                     |
| N1   | 0.8355 (8)  | 0.8542 (4)  | 0.6627 (4)    | 0.0104 (14)                      |
| N2   | 0.7431 (9)  | 0.4874 (4)  | 0.7847 (3)    | 0.0126 (15)                      |

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

|     | $U^{11}$     | $U^{22}$     | $U^{33}$     | $U^{12}$      | $U^{13}$      | $U^{23}$     |
|-----|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| C1  | 0.016 (4)    | 0.017 (3)    | 0.007 (4)    | -0.001 (3)    | -0.002 (3)    | 0.008 (3)    |
| C2  | 0.010 (2)    | 0.011 (2)    | 0.010 (2)    | 0.0016 (17)   | 0.0016 (17)   | -0.0009 (17) |
| C3  | 0.011 (4)    | 0.016 (3)    | 0.016 (5)    | 0.001 (3)     | -0.005 (3)    | -0.001 (3)   |
| C4  | 0.019 (5)    | 0.022 (4)    | 0.012 (5)    | 0.005 (4)     | -0.007 (4)    | 0.000 (4)    |
| C5  | 0.014 (4)    | 0.022 (4)    | 0.005 (4)    | 0.007 (4)     | -0.001 (3)    | 0.002 (3)    |
| C6  | 0.010 (4)    | 0.014 (3)    | 0.012 (4)    | 0.001 (3)     | -0.001 (3)    | 0.002 (3)    |
| C7  | 0.028 (5)    | 0.018 (4)    | 0.011 (4)    | 0.001 (4)     | 0.008 (4)     | 0.003 (3)    |
| C8  | 0.024 (5)    | 0.021 (4)    | 0.011 (4)    | -0.003 (4)    | 0.006 (4)     | -0.001 (3)   |
| C9  | 0.020 (4)    | 0.016 (3)    | 0.007 (4)    | 0.004 (3)     | 0.005 (3)     | -0.001 (3)   |
| C10 | 0.023 (5)    | 0.017 (4)    | 0.029 (6)    | -0.001 (4)    | 0.002 (4)     | -0.006 (4)   |
| Hg1 | 0.01563 (16) | 0.01506 (14) | 0.00825 (16) | -0.00253 (13) | -0.00074 (12) | 0.00158 (13) |
| I1  | 0.0168 (3)   | 0.0258 (3)   | 0.0105 (3)   | -0.0004 (2)   | 0.0026 (2)    | -0.0031 (2)  |
| I2  | 0.0254 (3)   | 0.0222 (3)   | 0.0131 (3)   | -0.0003 (2)   | -0.0033 (2)   | 0.0079 (2)   |
| N1  | 0.015 (3)    | 0.010 (3)    | 0.006 (3)    | -0.003 (3)    | 0.002 (3)     | 0.002 (3)    |
| N2  | 0.021 (4)    | 0.007 (3)    | 0.009 (4)    | -0.005 (3)    | 0.002 (3)     | 0.003 (3)    |

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

|          |           |                      |            |
|----------|-----------|----------------------|------------|
| C1—N1    | 1.336 (8) | C7—H7A               | 0.9900     |
| C1—C2    | 1.384 (9) | C7—H7B               | 0.9900     |
| C1—H1    | 0.9500    | C8—C9                | 1.538 (9)  |
| C2—C3    | 1.409 (9) | C8—H8A               | 0.9900     |
| C2—C6    | 1.499 (9) | C8—H8B               | 0.9900     |
| C3—C4    | 1.384 (9) | C9—H9A               | 0.9900     |
| C3—H3    | 0.9500    | C9—H9B               | 0.9900     |
| C4—C5    | 1.376 (9) | C10—N2               | 1.460 (8)  |
| C4—H4    | 0.9500    | C10—H10A             | 0.9800     |
| C5—N1    | 1.336 (9) | C10—H10B             | 0.9800     |
| C5—H5    | 0.9500    | C10—H10C             | 0.9800     |
| C6—N2    | 1.498 (8) | Hg1—N2 <sup>i</sup>  | 2.428 (7)  |
| C6—C9    | 1.530 (9) | Hg1—N1               | 2.454 (5)  |
| C6—H6    | 1.0000    | Hg1—I2               | 2.6536 (5) |
| C7—N2    | 1.481 (9) | Hg1—I1               | 2.6819 (6) |
| C7—C8    | 1.528 (9) | N2—Hg1 <sup>ii</sup> | 2.428 (7)  |
| N1—C1—C2 | 125.1 (7) | C7—C8—H8B            | 110.9      |
| N1—C1—H1 | 117.4     | C9—C8—H8B            | 110.9      |
| C2—C1—H1 | 117.4     | H8A—C8—H8B           | 108.9      |
| C1—C2—C3 | 115.5 (6) | C6—C9—C8             | 105.5 (5)  |
| C1—C2—C6 | 124.3 (7) | C6—C9—H9A            | 110.6      |
| C3—C2—C6 | 120.1 (6) | C8—C9—H9A            | 110.6      |
| C4—C3—C2 | 119.5 (6) | C6—C9—H9B            | 110.6      |
| C4—C3—H3 | 120.2     | C8—C9—H9B            | 110.6      |
| C2—C3—H3 | 120.2     | H9A—C9—H9B           | 108.8      |
| C5—C4—C3 | 119.9 (7) | N2—C10—H10A          | 109.5      |

|            |           |                          |              |
|------------|-----------|--------------------------|--------------|
| C5—C4—H4   | 120.0     | N2—C10—H10B              | 109.5        |
| C3—C4—H4   | 120.0     | H10A—C10—H10B            | 109.5        |
| N1—C5—C4   | 121.6 (7) | N2—C10—H10C              | 109.5        |
| N1—C5—H5   | 119.2     | H10A—C10—H10C            | 109.5        |
| C4—C5—H5   | 119.2     | H10B—C10—H10C            | 109.5        |
| N2—C6—C2   | 113.2 (6) | N2 <sup>i</sup> —Hg1—N1  | 97.59 (19)   |
| N2—C6—C9   | 102.6 (5) | N2 <sup>i</sup> —Hg1—I2  | 111.18 (13)  |
| C2—C6—C9   | 117.3 (6) | N1—Hg1—I2                | 99.85 (13)   |
| N2—C6—H6   | 107.7     | N2 <sup>i</sup> —Hg1—I1  | 102.73 (13)  |
| C2—C6—H6   | 107.7     | N1—Hg1—I1                | 98.19 (13)   |
| C9—C6—H6   | 107.7     | I2—Hg1—I1                | 138.749 (19) |
| N2—C7—C8   | 106.1 (5) | C1—N1—C5                 | 118.2 (6)    |
| N2—C7—H7A  | 110.5     | C1—N1—Hg1                | 122.6 (4)    |
| C8—C7—H7A  | 110.5     | C5—N1—Hg1                | 118.3 (4)    |
| N2—C7—H7B  | 110.5     | C10—N2—C7                | 109.8 (5)    |
| C8—C7—H7B  | 110.5     | C10—N2—C6                | 113.0 (6)    |
| H7A—C7—H7B | 108.7     | C7—N2—C6                 | 103.1 (5)    |
| C7—C8—C9   | 104.2 (6) | C10—N2—Hg1 <sup>ii</sup> | 106.5 (5)    |
| C7—C8—H8A  | 110.9     | C7—N2—Hg1 <sup>ii</sup>  | 111.8 (5)    |
| C9—C8—H8A  | 110.9     | C6—N2—Hg1 <sup>ii</sup>  | 112.7 (4)    |

Symmetry codes: (i)  $-x+2, y+1/2, -z+3/2$ ; (ii)  $-x+2, y-1/2, -z+3/2$ .