

## (5,5'-Dimethyl-2,2'-bipyridine- $\kappa^2 N,N'$ )-diiodidomercury(II)

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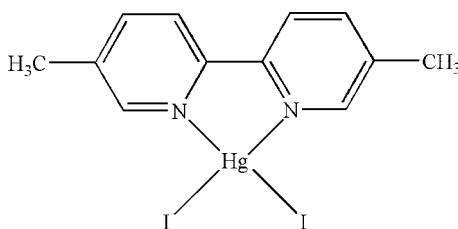
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 298$  K; mean  $\sigma(C-C) = 0.013$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.056;  $wR$  factor = 0.124; data-to-parameter ratio = 28.0.

In the molecule of the title compound,  $[HgI_2(C_{12}H_{12}N_2)]$ , the  $Hg^{II}$  atom is four-coordinated in a distorted tetrahedral configuration by two N atoms from 5,5'-dimethyl-2,2'-bipyridine and two I atoms. There is a  $\pi-\pi$  contact between pyridine rings of adjacent molecules [centroid–centroid distance = 3.723 (5) Å].

### Related literature

For related literature, see: Ahmadi, Kalateh *et al.* (2008); Ahmadi, Khalighi *et al.* (2008); Chen *et al.* (2006); Freire *et al.* (1999); Htoon & Ladd (1976); Khalighi *et al.* (2008); Khavasi *et al.* (2008); Yousefi, Khalighi, *et al.* (2008); Yousefi, Tadayon Pour *et al.* (2008).



### Experimental

#### Crystal data

$[HgI_2(C_{12}H_{12}N_2)]$

$M_r = 638.63$

Orthorhombic,  $Pbca$

$a = 15.0325$  (8) Å

$b = 15.0654$  (8) Å

$c = 14.0579$  (10) Å

$V = 3183.7$  (3) Å<sup>3</sup>

$Z = 8$

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation

$\mu = 13.53$  mm<sup>-1</sup>

$T = 298$  (2) K

0.35 × 0.31 × 0.20 mm

#### Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer

Absorption correction: numerical [shape of crystal determined optically (*X-SHAPE* and *X-*

*RED32*; Stoe & Cie (2005)]

$T_{min} = 0.015$ ,  $T_{max} = 0.075$

23007 measured reflections

4306 independent reflections

3418 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$

$R_{int} = 0.083$

#### Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.055$

$wR(F^2) = 0.124$

$S = 1.19$

4306 reflections

154 parameters

H-atom parameters constrained

$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 1.44$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -1.51$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

**Table 1**  
Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

|           |             |           |             |
|-----------|-------------|-----------|-------------|
| Hg1—I1    | 2.6587 (9)  | Hg1—N1    | 2.377 (7)   |
| Hg1—I2    | 2.6684 (8)  | Hg1—N2    | 2.389 (6)   |
| I1—Hg1—I2 | 129.89 (3)  | N1—Hg1—I2 | 106.53 (16) |
| N1—Hg1—I1 | 113.59 (16) | N2—Hg1—I1 | 107.15 (15) |
| N1—Hg1—N2 | 69.7 (2)    | N2—Hg1—I2 | 114.22 (15) |

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 1998); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 1998); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXTL*; molecular graphics: *ORTEP-3 for Windows* (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *WinGX* (Farrugia, 1999).

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### S1. Comment

Recently, we reported the syntheses and crystal structures of  $[Zn(5,5'\text{-}dm bpy)Cl_2]$ , (II), (Khalighi *et al.*, 2008),  $[Zn(6\text{-}mb bpy)Cl_2]$ , (III), (Ahmadi, Kalateh *et al.*, 2008),  $[Cd(5,5'\text{-}dm bpy)(\mu\text{-}Cl)_2]_n$ , (IV), (Ahmadi, Khalighi *et al.*, 2008),  $[Cu(5,5'\text{-}dc bpy)(en)(H_2O)_2] \cdot 2.5H_2O$ , (V), (Yousefi, Khalighi *et al.*, 2008) and  $\{[HgCl(dm 4bt)]_2(\mu\text{-}Cl)_2\}$ , (VI), (Khavasi *et al.*, 2008) [where 5,5'-dm bpy is 5,5'-dimethyl-2,2'-bipyridine, 6-mb bpy is 6-methyl-2,2'-bipyridine, 5,5'-dc bpy is 2,2'-bipyridine-5,5'-dicarboxylate, en is ethylene-diamine and dm 4bt is 2,2'-dimethyl-4,4'-bithiazole]. There are several Hg<sup>II</sup> complexes, with formula,  $[HgI_2(N\text{---}N)]$ , such as  $[HgI_2(bipy)]$ , (VII),  $[HgI_2(phen)]$ , (VIII) and  $[HgI_2(2,9\text{-}dm phen)]$ , (IX), (Freire *et al.*, 1999),  $[HgI_2(bipy)][HgI_2]$ , (X), (Chen *et al.*, 2006),  $[HgI_2(4,4'\text{-}dm bpy)]$ , (XI), (Yousefi, Tadayon Pour *et al.*, 2008) and  $[HgI_2(TMDA)]$ , (XII), (Htoon & Ladd, 1976) [where bipy is 2,2'-bipyridine, phen is 1,10-phenanthroline, dm phen is 2,9-dimethyl-1,10-phenanthroline, 4,4'-dm bpy is 4,4'-dimethyl-2,2'-bipyridine and TMDA is tetramethyl-ethylene-diamine] have been synthesized and characterized by single-crystal X-ray diffraction methods. We report herein the synthesis and crystal structure of the title compound, (I).

In the title compound, (Fig. 1), the Hg<sup>II</sup> atom is four-coordinated in a distorted tetrahedral configuration by two N atoms from 5,5'-dimethyl-2,2'-bipyridine and two I atoms. The Hg—I and Hg—N bond lengths and angles (Table 1) are within normal ranges, as in (VII), (VIII) and (XI).

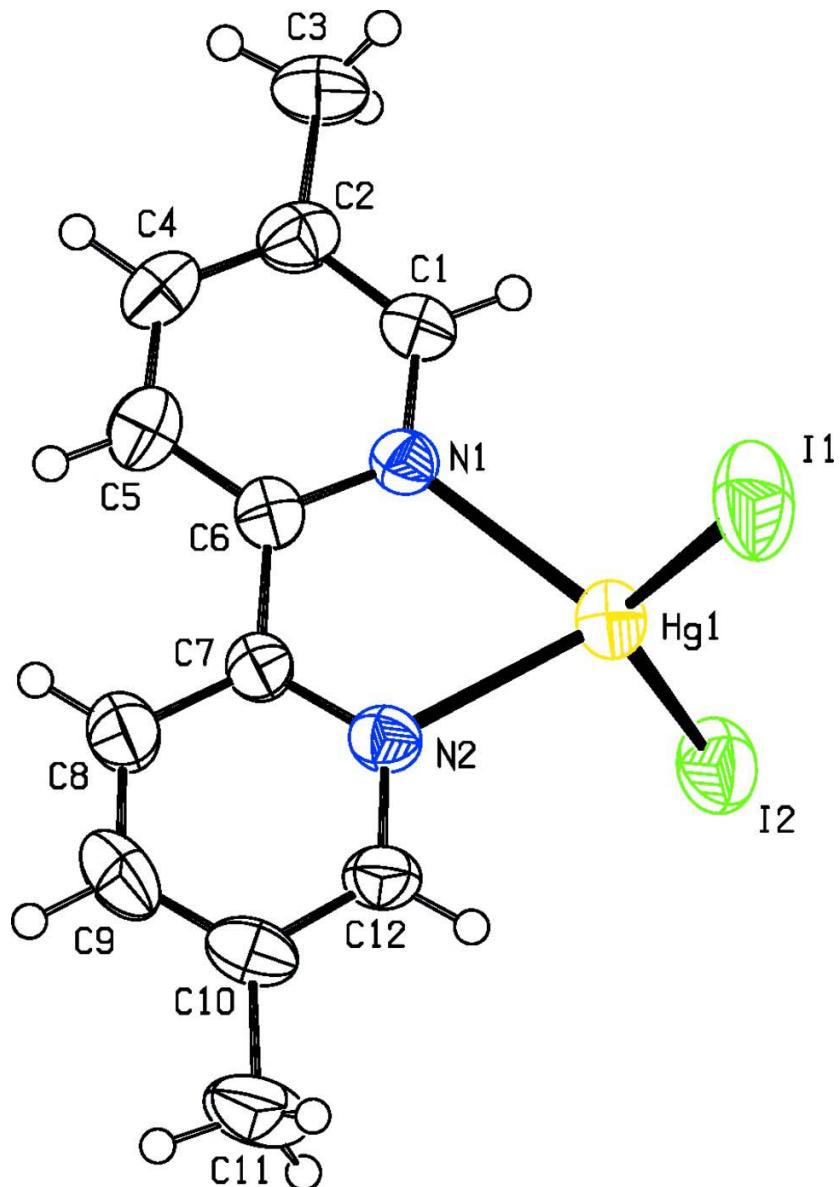
In the crystal structure, the  $\pi\text{-}\pi$  contact (Fig. 2) between the pyridine rings, Cg2 $\cdots$ Cg3<sup>i</sup> [symmetry code: (i) x, 1 - y, 1 - z, where Cg2 and Cg3 are centroids of the rings (N1/C1/C2/C4-C6) and (N2/C7-C10/C12), respectively] may stabilize the structure, with centroid-centroid distance of 3.723 (5) Å.

### S2. Experimental

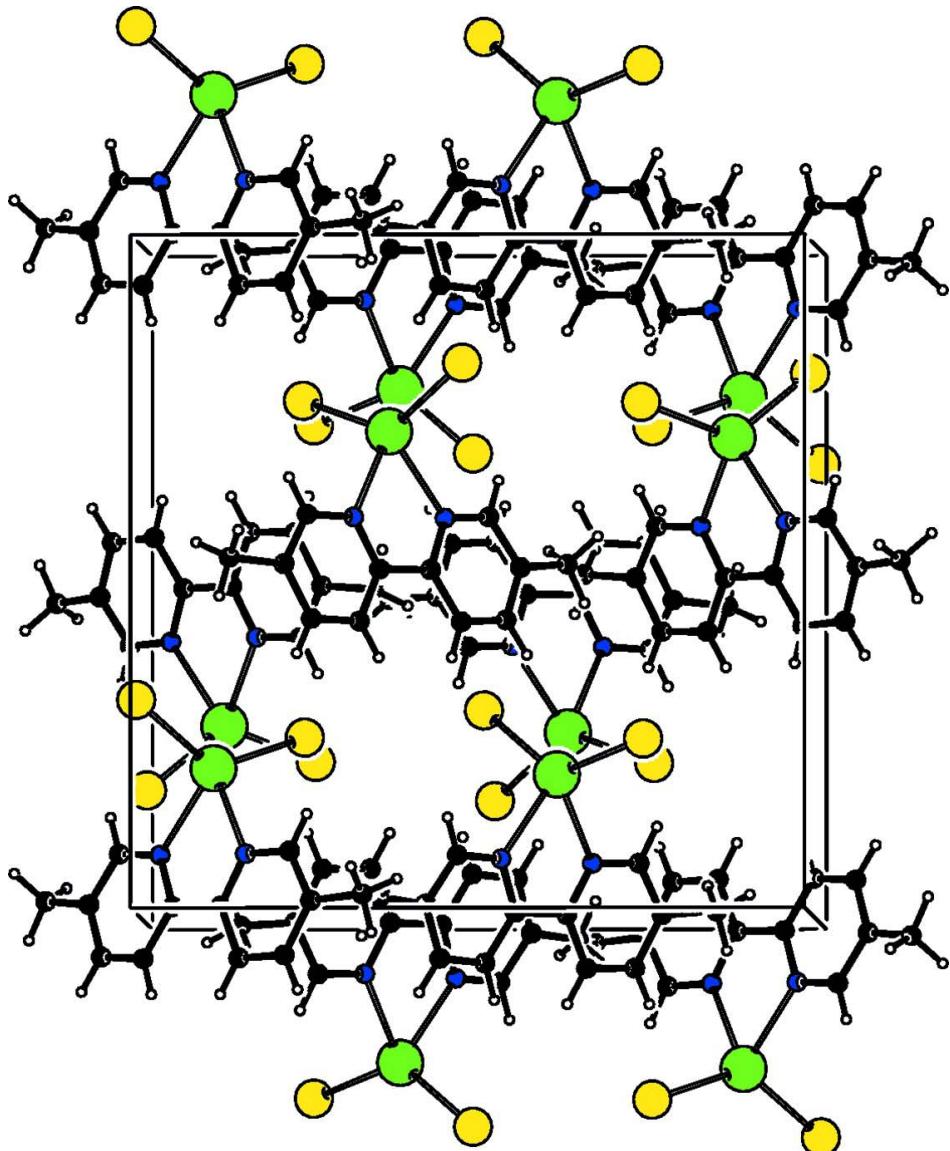
For the preparation of the title compound, (I), a solution of 5,5'-dimethyl-2,2'-bipyridine (0.25 g, 1.33 mmol) in methanol (10 ml) was added to a solution of HgI<sub>2</sub> (0.61 g, 1.33 mmol) in methanol (5 ml) at room temperature. The suitable crystals for X-ray analysis were isolated after one week by methanol diffusion to a colorless solution in DMSO (yield; 0.62 g, 72.9%).

### S3. Refinement

H atoms were positioned geometrically, with C-H = 0.93 and 0.96 Å for aromatic and methyl H, respectively, and constrained to ride on their parent atoms with U<sub>iso</sub>(H) = 1.2U<sub>eq</sub>(C).

**Figure 1**

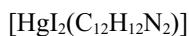
The molecular structure of the title molecule, with the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 40% probability level.

**Figure 2**

A packing diagram of the title compound.

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$V = 3183.7 (3) \text{ \AA}^3$

$Z = 8$

$F(000) = 2272$

$D_x = 2.665 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$

Mo *K* $\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$

Cell parameters from 1768 reflections

$\theta = 2.4\text{--}29.3^\circ$

$\mu = 13.53 \text{ mm}^{-1}$

$T = 298 \text{ K}$

Prism, colorless

$0.35 \times 0.31 \times 0.20 \text{ mm}$

*Data collection*

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 $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans  
Absorption correction: numerical  
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and *X-RED32*; Stoe & Cie, 2005)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.015$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.075$

23007 measured reflections  
4306 independent reflections  
3418 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.083$   
 $\theta_{\max} = 29.3^\circ$ ,  $\theta_{\min} = 2.4^\circ$   
 $h = -20 \rightarrow 19$   
 $k = -20 \rightarrow 17$   
 $l = -19 \rightarrow 19$

*Refinement*

Refinement on  $F^2$   
Least-squares matrix: full  
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.055$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.124$   
 $S = 1.19$   
4306 reflections  
154 parameters  
0 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  
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0347P)^2 + 17.4498P]$   
where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.010$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 1.44 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -1.51 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

*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.

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

|     | $x$         | $y$         | $z$         | $U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$ |
|-----|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------------------------|
| Hg1 | 0.11964 (2) | 0.71065 (2) | 0.60202 (3) | 0.05197 (12)                     |
| I1  | 0.00810 (7) | 0.80915 (5) | 0.50004 (7) | 0.0859 (3)                       |
| I2  | 0.25140 (5) | 0.76000 (5) | 0.71769 (6) | 0.0687 (2)                       |
| N1  | 0.1696 (4)  | 0.5812 (5)  | 0.5214 (5)  | 0.0403 (14)                      |
| N2  | 0.0387 (4)  | 0.5836 (4)  | 0.6554 (5)  | 0.0381 (13)                      |
| C1  | 0.2371 (5)  | 0.5833 (6)  | 0.4598 (6)  | 0.0463 (18)                      |
| H1  | 0.2633      | 0.6377      | 0.4460      | 0.056*                           |
| C2  | 0.2697 (6)  | 0.5082 (7)  | 0.4155 (6)  | 0.049 (2)                        |
| C3  | 0.3485 (8)  | 0.5156 (9)  | 0.3481 (9)  | 0.077 (3)                        |
| H3A | 0.3986      | 0.5399      | 0.3816      | 0.093*                           |
| H3B | 0.3333      | 0.5538      | 0.2959      | 0.093*                           |
| H3C | 0.3635      | 0.4578      | 0.3243      | 0.093*                           |
| C4  | 0.2299 (7)  | 0.4279 (7)  | 0.4391 (8)  | 0.063 (3)                        |
| H4  | 0.2506      | 0.3755      | 0.4121      | 0.076*                           |
| C5  | 0.1604 (7)  | 0.4257 (6)  | 0.5019 (7)  | 0.053 (2)                        |

|      |             |            |            |             |
|------|-------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| H5   | 0.1324      | 0.3723     | 0.5162     | 0.063*      |
| C6   | 0.1322 (5)  | 0.5044 (5) | 0.5440 (5) | 0.0387 (16) |
| C7   | 0.0586 (5)  | 0.5057 (5) | 0.6156 (5) | 0.0378 (15) |
| C8   | 0.0140 (6)  | 0.4291 (6) | 0.6412 (7) | 0.054 (2)   |
| H8   | 0.0270      | 0.3754     | 0.6118     | 0.065*      |
| C9   | -0.0503 (6) | 0.4341 (6) | 0.7113 (7) | 0.054 (2)   |
| H9   | -0.0805     | 0.3829     | 0.7297     | 0.065*      |
| C10  | -0.0703 (6) | 0.5135 (6) | 0.7542 (6) | 0.0477 (19) |
| C11  | -0.1370 (7) | 0.5206 (8) | 0.8337 (8) | 0.069 (3)   |
| H11A | -0.1831     | 0.5615     | 0.8159     | 0.083*      |
| H11B | -0.1078     | 0.5417     | 0.8901     | 0.083*      |
| H11C | -0.1625     | 0.4633     | 0.8458     | 0.083*      |
| C12  | -0.0244 (5) | 0.5873 (6) | 0.7226 (6) | 0.0465 (18) |
| H12  | -0.0379     | 0.6422     | 0.7492     | 0.056*      |

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

|     | $U^{11}$   | $U^{22}$     | $U^{33}$   | $U^{12}$     | $U^{13}$     | $U^{23}$      |
|-----|------------|--------------|------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| Hg1 | 0.0544 (2) | 0.04113 (17) | 0.0603 (2) | 0.00092 (15) | 0.00422 (17) | -0.00082 (14) |
| I1  | 0.0978 (6) | 0.0521 (4)   | 0.1078 (7) | 0.0131 (4)   | -0.0354 (5)  | 0.0050 (4)    |
| I2  | 0.0660 (4) | 0.0555 (4)   | 0.0845 (5) | 0.0031 (3)   | -0.0154 (4)  | -0.0110 (3)   |
| N1  | 0.039 (3)  | 0.044 (3)    | 0.037 (3)  | 0.001 (3)    | 0.003 (3)    | -0.002 (3)    |
| N2  | 0.035 (3)  | 0.039 (3)    | 0.041 (3)  | 0.002 (3)    | 0.000 (3)    | 0.001 (3)     |
| C1  | 0.040 (4)  | 0.053 (5)    | 0.046 (4)  | -0.002 (4)   | 0.009 (3)    | -0.006 (4)    |
| C2  | 0.041 (4)  | 0.072 (6)    | 0.035 (4)  | 0.012 (4)    | 0.000 (3)    | -0.002 (4)    |
| C3  | 0.061 (6)  | 0.098 (9)    | 0.073 (7)  | 0.016 (6)    | 0.029 (6)    | -0.004 (6)    |
| C4  | 0.070 (7)  | 0.058 (6)    | 0.062 (6)  | 0.019 (5)    | 0.001 (5)    | -0.020 (5)    |
| C5  | 0.058 (5)  | 0.045 (4)    | 0.056 (5)  | 0.003 (4)    | 0.004 (4)    | -0.002 (4)    |
| C6  | 0.038 (4)  | 0.038 (4)    | 0.040 (4)  | 0.001 (3)    | -0.004 (3)   | -0.002 (3)    |
| C7  | 0.039 (4)  | 0.040 (4)    | 0.035 (4)  | 0.003 (3)    | -0.009 (3)   | -0.001 (3)    |
| C8  | 0.057 (5)  | 0.047 (5)    | 0.058 (5)  | -0.009 (4)   | -0.004 (4)   | -0.002 (4)    |
| C9  | 0.051 (5)  | 0.051 (5)    | 0.062 (6)  | -0.016 (4)   | 0.003 (4)    | 0.007 (4)     |
| C10 | 0.038 (4)  | 0.057 (5)    | 0.048 (5)  | -0.001 (4)   | -0.005 (3)   | 0.010 (4)     |
| C11 | 0.059 (6)  | 0.080 (7)    | 0.067 (6)  | -0.001 (5)   | 0.031 (5)    | 0.000 (5)     |
| C12 | 0.042 (4)  | 0.048 (4)    | 0.050 (5)  | 0.003 (4)    | 0.009 (4)    | -0.003 (4)    |

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

|        |            |         |            |
|--------|------------|---------|------------|
| Hg1—I1 | 2.6587 (9) | C6—N1   | 1.325 (10) |
| Hg1—I2 | 2.6684 (8) | C6—C7   | 1.496 (11) |
| Hg1—N1 | 2.377 (7)  | C7—N2   | 1.335 (10) |
| Hg1—N2 | 2.389 (6)  | C7—C8   | 1.382 (12) |
| C1—N1  | 1.335 (10) | C8—C9   | 1.384 (14) |
| C1—C2  | 1.380 (13) | C8—H8   | 0.9300     |
| C1—H1  | 0.9300     | C9—C10  | 1.373 (13) |
| C2—C4  | 1.390 (15) | C9—H9   | 0.9300     |
| C2—C3  | 1.521 (13) | C10—C12 | 1.382 (12) |
| C3—H3A | 0.9600     | C10—C11 | 1.505 (13) |

|               |             |               |            |
|---------------|-------------|---------------|------------|
| C3—H3B        | 0.9600      | C11—H11A      | 0.9600     |
| C3—H3C        | 0.9600      | C11—H11B      | 0.9600     |
| C4—C5         | 1.368 (14)  | C11—H11C      | 0.9600     |
| C4—H4         | 0.9300      | C12—N2        | 1.339 (10) |
| C5—C6         | 1.392 (11)  | C12—H12       | 0.9300     |
| C5—H5         | 0.9300      |               |            |
| <br>          |             |               |            |
| I1—Hg1—I2     | 129.89 (3)  | C4—C5—C6      | 119.1 (9)  |
| N1—Hg1—I1     | 113.59 (16) | C4—C5—H5      | 120.5      |
| N1—Hg1—N2     | 69.7 (2)    | C6—C5—H5      | 120.5      |
| N1—Hg1—I2     | 106.53 (16) | N1—C6—C5      | 120.9 (8)  |
| N2—Hg1—I1     | 107.15 (15) | N1—C6—C7      | 117.6 (7)  |
| N2—Hg1—I2     | 114.22 (15) | C5—C6—C7      | 121.5 (7)  |
| C1—N1—Hg1     | 122.0 (6)   | N2—C7—C8      | 121.1 (8)  |
| C6—N1—Hg1     | 117.9 (5)   | N2—C7—C6      | 117.4 (7)  |
| C6—N1—C1      | 119.9 (7)   | C8—C7—C6      | 121.5 (7)  |
| C7—N2—Hg1     | 117.3 (5)   | C7—C8—C9      | 118.7 (9)  |
| C7—N2—C12     | 119.4 (7)   | C7—C8—H8      | 120.7      |
| C12—N2—Hg1    | 123.3 (5)   | C9—C8—H8      | 120.7      |
| N1—C1—C2      | 122.9 (9)   | C10—C9—C8     | 120.8 (8)  |
| N1—C1—H1      | 118.5       | C10—C9—H9     | 119.6      |
| C2—C1—H1      | 118.5       | C8—C9—H9      | 119.6      |
| C1—C2—C4      | 116.9 (8)   | C9—C10—C12    | 116.8 (8)  |
| C1—C2—C3      | 119.9 (10)  | C9—C10—C11    | 122.3 (9)  |
| C4—C2—C3      | 123.2 (9)   | C12—C10—C11   | 120.9 (9)  |
| C2—C3—H3A     | 109.5       | C10—C11—H11A  | 109.5      |
| C2—C3—H3B     | 109.5       | C10—C11—H11B  | 109.5      |
| H3A—C3—H3B    | 109.5       | H11A—C11—H11B | 109.5      |
| C2—C3—H3C     | 109.5       | C10—C11—H11C  | 109.5      |
| H3A—C3—H3C    | 109.5       | H11A—C11—H11C | 109.5      |
| H3B—C3—H3C    | 109.5       | H11B—C11—H11C | 109.5      |
| C5—C4—C2      | 120.3 (9)   | N2—C12—C10    | 123.2 (8)  |
| C5—C4—H4      | 119.8       | N2—C12—H12    | 118.4      |
| C2—C4—H4      | 119.8       | C10—C12—H12   | 118.4      |
| <br>          |             |               |            |
| I1—Hg1—N1—C1  | 82.9 (6)    | C5—C6—N1—C1   | -2.1 (12)  |
| I1—Hg1—N1—C6  | -101.5 (5)  | C7—C6—N1—C1   | 178.3 (7)  |
| I2—Hg1—N1—C1  | -66.4 (6)   | C5—C6—N1—Hg1  | -177.8 (6) |
| I2—Hg1—N1—C6  | 109.2 (5)   | C7—C6—N1—Hg1  | 2.6 (9)    |
| N2—Hg1—N1—C1  | -176.7 (7)  | N1—C6—C7—N2   | -3.3 (11)  |
| N2—Hg1—N1—C6  | -1.1 (5)    | C5—C6—C7—N2   | 177.1 (8)  |
| I1—Hg1—N2—C7  | 108.7 (5)   | N1—C6—C7—C8   | 178.0 (8)  |
| I1—Hg1—N2—C12 | -71.7 (6)   | C5—C6—C7—C8   | -1.6 (12)  |
| I2—Hg1—N2—C7  | -100.3 (5)  | C8—C7—N2—C12  | 1.4 (12)   |
| I2—Hg1—N2—C12 | 79.3 (6)    | C6—C7—N2—C12  | -177.3 (7) |
| N1—Hg1—N2—C7  | -0.8 (5)    | C8—C7—N2—Hg1  | -179.0 (6) |
| N1—Hg1—N2—C12 | 178.9 (7)   | C6—C7—N2—Hg1  | 2.3 (9)    |
| C2—C1—N1—C6   | 1.5 (13)    | N2—C7—C8—C9   | -1.9 (13)  |

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| C2—C1—N1—Hg1 | 177.0 (6)  | C6—C7—C8—C9    | 176.7 (8)  |
| N1—C1—C2—C4  | -1.1 (13)  | C7—C8—C9—C10   | 0.6 (15)   |
| N1—C1—C2—C3  | -178.3 (9) | C8—C9—C10—C12  | 1.2 (14)   |
| C1—C2—C4—C5  | 1.4 (14)   | C8—C9—C10—C11  | -177.2 (9) |
| C3—C2—C4—C5  | 178.5 (10) | C9—C10—C12—N2  | -1.8 (13)  |
| C2—C4—C5—C6  | -2.1 (15)  | C11—C10—C12—N2 | 176.6 (9)  |
| C4—C5—C6—N1  | 2.5 (14)   | C10—C12—N2—C7  | 0.6 (13)   |
| C4—C5—C6—C7  | -178.0 (8) | C10—C12—N2—Hg1 | -179.1 (6) |