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**(Z)-2-(1,3-Thiazolidin-2-ylidene)cyanamide**

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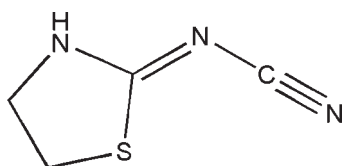
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 113$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003$  Å;  
R factor = 0.039; wR factor = 0.102; data-to-parameter ratio = 13.3.

In the title compound,  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_5\text{N}_3\text{S}$ , the thiazolidine ring is almost planar, the maximum and minimum deviations being 0.188 (2) Å and 0.042 (3) Å, respectively. The crystal structure involves intermolecular  $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$  hydrogen bonds.

## Related literature

The title compound was synthesized as an intermediate for the synthesis of nicotine insecticides. For their biological activity and synthetic information, see: Jeschke *et al.* (2002); Hense *et al.* (2002). For a related structure, see: Dupont *et al.* (1995). For typical triple-bond lengths, see: Allen *et al.* (1987)



## Experimental

## Crystal data

$\text{C}_4\text{H}_5\text{N}_3\text{S}$   
 $M_r = 127.18$

Triclinic,  $P\bar{1}$   
 $a = 6.4556$  (13) Å

$b = 6.5584$  (13) Å  
 $c = 6.7910$  (14) Å  
 $\alpha = 83.28$  (3)°  
 $\beta = 81.53$  (3)°  
 $\gamma = 82.12$  (3)°  
 $V = 280.32$  (10) Å<sup>3</sup>

$Z = 2$   
Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 0.46$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 113$  K  
 $0.24 \times 0.18 \times 0.04$  mm

## Data collection

Rigaku Saturn diffractometer  
Absorption correction: multi-scan  
(*CrystalClear*; Rigaku, 2005)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.898$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.982$

1570 measured reflections  
968 independent reflections  
865 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.039$

## Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.039$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.102$   
 $S = 1.06$   
968 reflections

73 parameters  
H-atom parameters constrained  
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.38$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.37$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
$\text{N1}-\text{H1C}\cdots\text{N3}^i$	0.86	2.10	2.903 (3)	156

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

Data collection: *CrystalClear* (Rigaku, 2005); cell refinement: *CrystalClear*; data reduction: *CrystalClear*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 2008); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

Supplementary data and figures for this paper are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: BV2145).

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Many nicotine insecticide derivatives have been reported showing various biological activities, *e.g.* thiacloprid (Jeschke *et al.*, 2002). The title compound (I) was synthesized as an intermediate for the synthesis of nicotine insecticides (Hense *et al.*, 2002). As an important intermediate for the synthesis of insecticides, we report here the crystal structure of (I).

In (I) (Fig. 1), main bond (C—C, C—N, S—C) lengths are normal and in a good agreement with those reported previously (Dupont *et al.*, 1995). Torsion angles of the thiazole ring are small [C4—N2—C3—S1, 6.52 (3)°, C1—S1—C3—N1, 9.95 (2)° and C2—N1—C3—S1, 7.98 (3)°] and thiazole ring is almost planar as the maximum and minimum deviations are 0.188 Å and 0.042 Å respectively. In the thiazole ring, the dihedral angle between plane A (C1/C2/C3/C4) and plane B (S1/N1/N2/C3) is 5.5 (3)°. The molecule contains a nitrile group, with a C≡N distance of 1.158 (1) Å, which indicates substantial triple bond character (Allen *et al.*, 1987). Recently, compounds containing the thiazolidin-2-yl-cyanamide group have attracted much interest because compounds containing a thiazole ring system are well known as efficient insecticides (Hense, *et al.*, 2002). The structure is stabilized by hydrogen bonds of N—H⋯N type.

**S2. Experimental**

Cyano-dimethyl dithiocarbamate 14.6 g (0.1 mol) was dissolved in 35 ml ethanol with stirrer and 2-amino-ethanethiol 11.4 g (0.1 mol) was slowly added to the mixture while maintaining the temperature at 303–313 K. After three hours, ethanol was removed under reduced pressure to give title compounds 11.2 g, yield 88%. (Jeschke, *et al.*, 2002). Single crystals suitable for X-ray measurement were obtained by recrystallization from the mixture of acetone and methanol at room temperature.

**S3. Refinement**

All H atoms were placed in calculated positions, with C—H = 0.97 Å and N—H = 0.86 Å, and included in the final cycles of refinement using a riding model, with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C}, \text{N})$ .

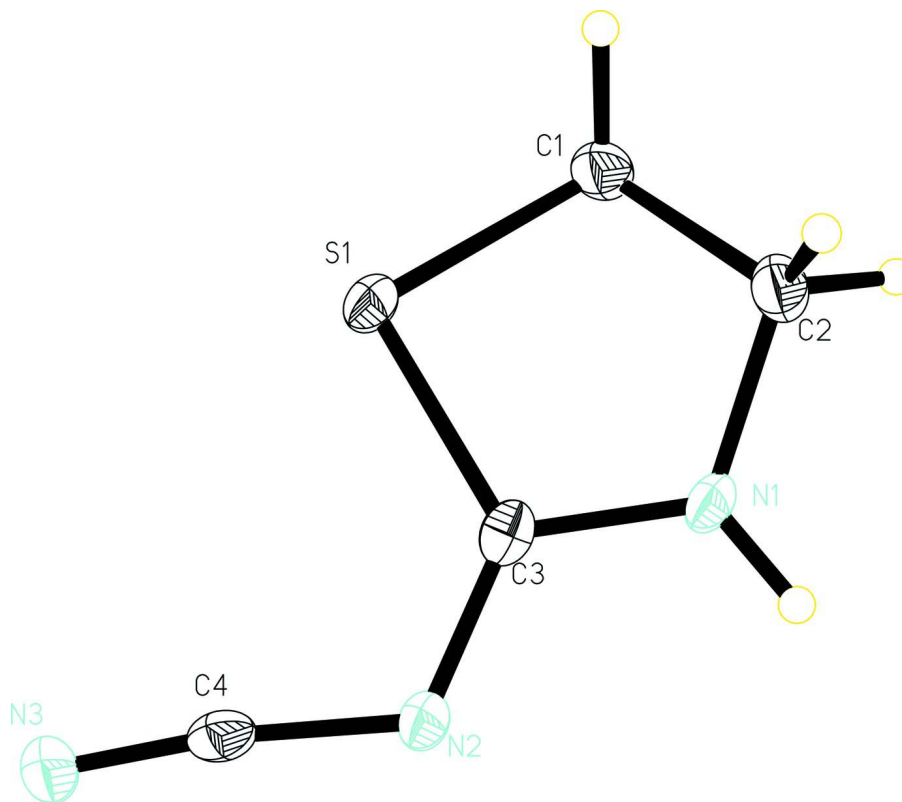


Figure 1

View of the title compound (I), with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 40% probability level.

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$\omega$  scans

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$h = -6 \rightarrow 7$

$k = -7 \rightarrow 6$

$l = -8 \rightarrow 7$

Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 Least-squares matrix: full  
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.039$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.102$   
 $S = 1.06$   
 968 reflections  
 73 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  
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0574P)^2]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.38 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.37 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

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

	$x$	$y$	$z$	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
S1	0.19920 (8)	0.40549 (8)	0.26592 (8)	0.0167 (3)
N1	0.4033 (3)	0.7184 (3)	0.2385 (3)	0.0161 (4)
H1C	0.5069	0.7914	0.2164	0.019*
N2	0.6225 (3)	0.4094 (3)	0.2613 (3)	0.0158 (5)
N3	0.6775 (3)	0.0290 (3)	0.2589 (3)	0.0234 (5)
C1	0.0574 (4)	0.6574 (3)	0.2008 (4)	0.0184 (5)
H1A	0.0483	0.6789	0.0584	0.022*
H1B	-0.0843	0.6700	0.2732	0.022*
C2	0.1853 (4)	0.8129 (3)	0.2610 (4)	0.0187 (5)
H2A	0.1700	0.9417	0.1752	0.022*
H2B	0.1384	0.8415	0.3985	0.022*
C3	0.4340 (4)	0.5138 (3)	0.2539 (3)	0.0139 (5)
C4	0.6407 (3)	0.2063 (3)	0.2601 (3)	0.0166 (5)

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

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
S1	0.0153 (4)	0.0143 (4)	0.0224 (4)	-0.0053 (2)	-0.0049 (2)	-0.0020 (2)
N1	0.0159 (10)	0.0126 (10)	0.0221 (11)	-0.0057 (7)	-0.0056 (8)	-0.0021 (7)
N2	0.0160 (10)	0.0118 (10)	0.0211 (11)	-0.0035 (7)	-0.0050 (8)	-0.0022 (7)
N3	0.0211 (11)	0.0139 (11)	0.0358 (13)	-0.0013 (8)	-0.0083 (9)	-0.0013 (8)
C1	0.0154 (11)	0.0183 (12)	0.0227 (13)	-0.0004 (9)	-0.0065 (9)	-0.0034 (9)
C2	0.0200 (12)	0.0145 (12)	0.0221 (13)	-0.0003 (9)	-0.0050 (9)	-0.0039 (9)
C3	0.0192 (11)	0.0144 (11)	0.0096 (11)	-0.0054 (9)	-0.0031 (9)	-0.0018 (8)
C4	0.0126 (11)	0.0220 (13)	0.0166 (12)	-0.0041 (9)	-0.0053 (9)	-0.0008 (9)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

S1—C3	1.747 (2)	N3—C4	1.155 (3)
S1—C1	1.816 (2)	C1—C2	1.522 (3)
N1—C3	1.323 (3)	C1—H1A	0.9700
N1—C2	1.452 (3)	C1—H1B	0.9700
N1—H1C	0.8600	C2—H2A	0.9700
N2—C3	1.317 (3)	C2—H2B	0.9700
N2—C4	1.321 (3)		
C3—S1—C1	91.15 (10)	N1—C2—C1	106.10 (17)
C3—N1—C2	116.32 (19)	N1—C2—H2A	110.5
C3—N1—H1C	121.8	C1—C2—H2A	110.5
C2—N1—H1C	121.8	N1—C2—H2B	110.5
C3—N2—C4	117.9 (2)	C1—C2—H2B	110.5
C2—C1—S1	105.21 (16)	H2A—C2—H2B	108.7
C2—C1—H1A	110.7	N2—C3—N1	122.1 (2)
S1—C1—H1A	110.7	N2—C3—S1	125.53 (17)
C2—C1—H1B	110.7	N1—C3—S1	112.34 (17)
S1—C1—H1B	110.7	N3—C4—N2	173.3 (2)
H1A—C1—H1B	108.8		
C3—S1—C1—C2	-23.42 (16)	C2—N1—C3—N2	-171.4 (2)
C3—N1—C2—C1	-25.8 (3)	C2—N1—C3—S1	7.9 (2)
S1—C1—C2—N1	30.4 (2)	C1—S1—C3—N2	-170.6 (2)
C4—N2—C3—N1	-174.6 (2)	C1—S1—C3—N1	10.19 (17)
C4—N2—C3—S1	6.3 (3)	C3—N2—C4—N3	177 (2)

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

<i>D</i> —H... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H	H... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> ... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H... <i>A</i>
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