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## 3,4,7-Trimethyl-2-(4-methylphenyl)-2H-pyrazolo[3,4-d]pyridazin-5-ium thiocyanate

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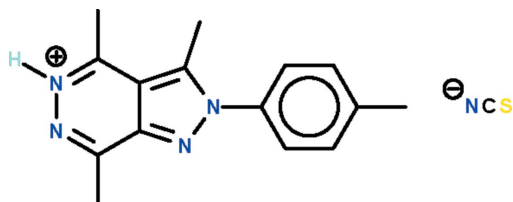
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 100$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.002$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.035;  $wR$  factor = 0.096; data-to-parameter ratio = 16.9.

1,1'-[5-Methyl-1-(4-methylphenyl)-1H-pyrazole-3,4-diyl]diethanone condenses with thiosemicarbazide in the presence of acetic acid to form the title salt,  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_4^+\cdot\text{NCS}^-$ . The fused-ring system of the cation is almost planar (r.m.s. deviation = 0.020 Å) and the aromatic substituent is aligned at an angle of 48.2 (1)° with respect to the mean plane of the fused-ring system. The N atom at the 5-position is protonated and forms a  $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$  hydrogen bond to the thiocyanate counter-ion.

## Related literature

For reviews on pyrazolo-pyridazines, see: Akbas & Berber (2006); Matiichuk *et al.* (2009). For a related structure, see: Dinçer *et al.* (2004).



## Experimental

## Crystal data

$\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_4^+\cdot\text{NCS}^-$   
 $M_r = 311.41$   
Monoclinic,  $C2/c$   
 $a = 18.2445$  (5) Å  
 $b = 7.3341$  (2) Å  
 $c = 24.2396$  (8) Å  
 $\beta = 106.121$  (3)°

$V = 3115.89$  (16) Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 8$   
Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 0.21$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 100$  K  
 $0.30 \times 0.10 \times 0.05$  mm

## Data collection

Agilent SuperNova diffractometer  
Absorption correction: multi-scan  
(*CrysAlis PRO*; Agilent Technologies, 2010)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.939$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.990$

7809 measured reflections  
3491 independent reflections  
2968 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.026$

## Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.035$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.096$   
 $S = 1.00$   
3491 reflections  
207 parameters

H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement  
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.32$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.27$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
$\text{N1}-\text{H1}\cdots\text{N5}$	0.91 (2)	1.86 (2)	2.7668 (18)	175.6 (19)

Data collection: *CrysAlis PRO* (Agilent Technologies, 2010); cell refinement: *CrysAlis PRO*; data reduction: *CrysAlis PRO*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *X-SEED* (Barbour, 2001); software used to prepare material for publication: *PUBLICIF* (Westrip, 2010).

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Supplementary data and figures for this paper are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: BT5414).

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### S1. Comment

As part of our studies on the pharmaceutical applications of pyrazole derivatives, we had intended to synthesis the thiosemicarbazide condensation product of the pyrazole-dialdehyde, 1,1'-[5-methyl-1-(4-tolyl)-1*H*-pyrazol-3,4-diyl]diethanone, but the reaction yielded instead a pyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyridazine (Scheme I, Fig. 1). The reaction was probably catalyzed by acetic acid; the reaction involves a cyclization followed by the formation of the thiocyanate ion (Fig. 2). The fused-ring system of the cation is planar (r.m.s. deviation 0.020 Å), and the aromatic substituent is aligned at 48.2 (1)° with respect to the mean plane of the fused-ring. The nitrogen atom at the 5-position is protonated; the carbon–nitrogen double-bond involving the protonated nitrogen atom is somewhat longer [1.323 (2) Å] than the carbon–nitrogen double-bond involving the unprotonated one [1.310 (2) Å]. As the protonated nitrogen atom forms a hydrogen bond to the nitrogen end of the anion, the negative charge of the anion probably resides on this atom.

Pyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyridazines are more conveniently synthesized directly, from the reaction of 1*H*-pyrazole-3-carboxylic acids and hydrazines (Akbas & Berber, 2006). A review of their molecular design is given by Matiichuk *et al.* (2009). For the crystal structure of a related compound, see: Dinçer *et al.* (2004).

### S2. Experimental

1,1'-[5-Methyl-1-(4-tolyl)-1*H*-pyrazol-3,4-diyl]diethanone (0.26 g, 1 mmol) and thiosemicarbazide (0.18 g, 2 mmol) were heated in an ethanol/water (1/1, 50 ml) mixture for 4 h; acetic acid (0.5 ml) was added. The solid that separated on cooling was collected and recrystallized from ethanol to yield yellow prisms.

### S3. Refinement

Carbon-bound H-atoms were placed in calculated positions (C–H 0.95–0.98 Å) and were included in the refinement in the riding model approximation, with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H})$  set to 1.2–1.5 times  $U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ .

The amino H-atom was located in a difference Fourier map and was freely refined.

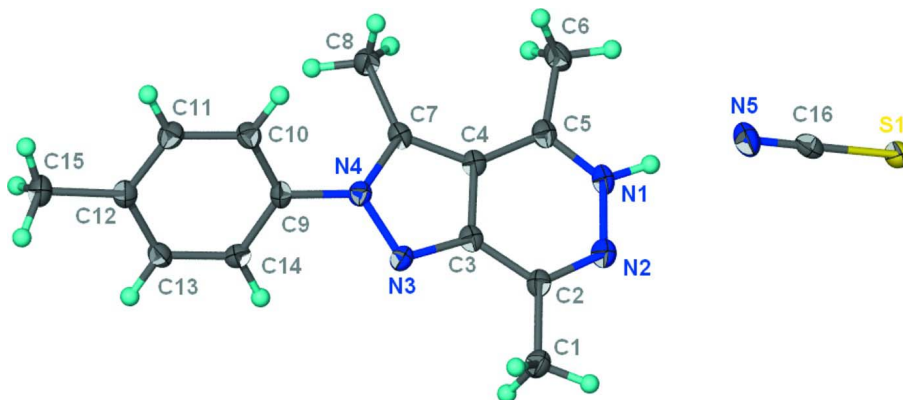


Figure 1

Anisotropic displacement ellipsoid plot (Barbour, 2001) of  $C_{15}H_{17}N_4^+ NCS^-$  the 70% probability level; hydrogen atoms are drawn as spheres of arbitrary radius.

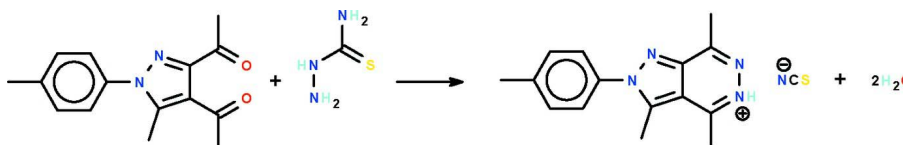


Figure 2

Preparation of the title compound.

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$V = 3115.89 (16) \text{ \AA}^3$

$Z = 8$

$F(000) = 1312$

$D_x = 1.328 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$

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

Cell parameters from 4295 reflections

$\theta = 2.2\text{--}29.3^\circ$

$\mu = 0.21 \text{ mm}^{-1}$

$T = 100 \text{ K}$

Prism, yellow

$0.30 \times 0.10 \times 0.05 \text{ mm}$

#### Data collection

Agilent SuperNova  
diffractometer

Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube

Graphite monochromator

Detector resolution:  $10.4041 \text{ pixels mm}^{-1}$

$\omega$  scans

Absorption correction: multi-scan

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$\theta_{\max} = 27.5^\circ$ ,  $\theta_{\min} = 2.3^\circ$

$h = -16 \rightarrow 23$

$k = -9 \rightarrow 9$

$l = -31 \rightarrow 23$

*Refinement*Refinement on  $F^2$ 

Least-squares matrix: full

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.035$  $wR(F^2) = 0.096$  $S = 1.00$ 

3491 reflections

207 parameters

0 restraints

Primary atom site location: structure-invariant  
direct methodsSecondary atom site location: difference Fourier  
mapHydrogen site location: inferred from  
neighbouring sitesH atoms treated by a mixture of independent  
and constrained refinement $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0472P)^2 + 3.0958P]$ where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.001$  $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.32 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$  $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.27 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ *Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )*

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
S1	0.41884 (2)	1.03962 (5)	0.678227 (15)	0.01918 (11)
N1	0.30697 (7)	0.87179 (17)	0.44978 (5)	0.0175 (3)
N2	0.37098 (7)	0.79621 (17)	0.43977 (5)	0.0182 (3)
N3	0.28626 (6)	0.74548 (16)	0.28642 (5)	0.0148 (2)
N4	0.21174 (6)	0.79970 (16)	0.26392 (5)	0.0142 (2)
N5	0.33646 (8)	0.96211 (19)	0.56469 (6)	0.0255 (3)
C1	0.43819 (8)	0.6806 (2)	0.37464 (6)	0.0195 (3)
H1A	0.4780	0.6633	0.4109	0.029*
H1B	0.4564	0.7659	0.3502	0.029*
H1C	0.4262	0.5632	0.3549	0.029*
C2	0.36843 (8)	0.75572 (19)	0.38665 (6)	0.0156 (3)
C3	0.29986 (8)	0.78638 (18)	0.34177 (6)	0.0146 (3)
C4	0.23596 (8)	0.86541 (18)	0.35465 (6)	0.0146 (3)
C5	0.24134 (8)	0.91093 (19)	0.41184 (6)	0.0164 (3)
C6	0.18028 (9)	0.9977 (2)	0.43299 (7)	0.0221 (3)
H6A	0.1980	1.0103	0.4749	0.033*
H6B	0.1344	0.9214	0.4226	0.033*
H6C	0.1684	1.1185	0.4155	0.033*
C7	0.17924 (8)	0.87516 (19)	0.30233 (6)	0.0147 (3)
C8	0.10123 (8)	0.9549 (2)	0.28774 (6)	0.0193 (3)
H8A	0.0845	0.9835	0.2466	0.029*
H8B	0.1019	1.0668	0.3100	0.029*
H8C	0.0659	0.8671	0.2970	0.029*
C9	0.17735 (8)	0.77377 (19)	0.20373 (6)	0.0144 (3)
C10	0.10569 (8)	0.69513 (19)	0.18460 (6)	0.0165 (3)
H10	0.0803	0.6507	0.2112	0.020*
C11	0.07151 (8)	0.68226 (19)	0.12579 (6)	0.0170 (3)
H11	0.0222	0.6295	0.1123	0.020*
C12	0.10849 (8)	0.74559 (19)	0.08639 (6)	0.0165 (3)
C13	0.18234 (8)	0.81476 (19)	0.10713 (6)	0.0158 (3)
H13	0.2092	0.8524	0.0807	0.019*
C14	0.21737 (8)	0.82962 (19)	0.16553 (6)	0.0152 (3)
H14	0.2676	0.8769	0.1792	0.018*

C15	0.06899 (9)	0.7449 (2)	0.02308 (6)	0.0218 (3)
H15A	0.0200	0.6814	0.0161	0.033*
H15B	0.1011	0.6822	0.0026	0.033*
H15C	0.0602	0.8708	0.0092	0.033*
C16	0.37098 (8)	0.9940 (2)	0.61179 (6)	0.0176 (3)
H1	0.3146 (11)	0.898 (3)	0.4877 (9)	0.037 (5)*

*Atomic displacement parameters (Å<sup>2</sup>)*

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
S1	0.01806 (18)	0.0235 (2)	0.01600 (19)	−0.00002 (14)	0.00481 (14)	−0.00172 (14)
N1	0.0221 (6)	0.0185 (6)	0.0116 (6)	−0.0013 (5)	0.0040 (5)	−0.0010 (5)
N2	0.0195 (6)	0.0184 (6)	0.0159 (6)	−0.0008 (5)	0.0035 (5)	−0.0004 (5)
N3	0.0133 (5)	0.0157 (6)	0.0141 (6)	−0.0002 (5)	0.0015 (4)	0.0008 (5)
N4	0.0144 (5)	0.0142 (5)	0.0134 (6)	−0.0009 (5)	0.0030 (4)	−0.0001 (5)
N5	0.0310 (7)	0.0304 (7)	0.0158 (7)	−0.0012 (6)	0.0078 (5)	−0.0009 (6)
C1	0.0170 (7)	0.0225 (7)	0.0172 (7)	0.0005 (6)	0.0018 (5)	−0.0019 (6)
C2	0.0171 (7)	0.0142 (7)	0.0143 (7)	−0.0026 (6)	0.0026 (5)	0.0002 (5)
C3	0.0175 (7)	0.0124 (6)	0.0142 (7)	−0.0024 (5)	0.0045 (5)	0.0002 (5)
C4	0.0171 (6)	0.0125 (6)	0.0141 (7)	−0.0016 (5)	0.0040 (5)	−0.0001 (5)
C5	0.0201 (7)	0.0141 (6)	0.0150 (7)	−0.0019 (6)	0.0050 (5)	0.0010 (5)
C6	0.0261 (8)	0.0248 (8)	0.0175 (7)	0.0029 (6)	0.0094 (6)	−0.0016 (6)
C7	0.0184 (7)	0.0125 (6)	0.0136 (7)	−0.0016 (5)	0.0053 (5)	−0.0005 (5)
C8	0.0184 (7)	0.0221 (8)	0.0169 (7)	0.0027 (6)	0.0040 (6)	−0.0007 (6)
C9	0.0173 (6)	0.0138 (6)	0.0112 (6)	0.0015 (5)	0.0024 (5)	0.0003 (5)
C10	0.0182 (7)	0.0166 (7)	0.0152 (7)	−0.0011 (6)	0.0054 (5)	0.0012 (5)
C11	0.0156 (6)	0.0165 (7)	0.0174 (7)	−0.0026 (6)	0.0020 (5)	−0.0013 (6)
C12	0.0189 (7)	0.0153 (7)	0.0146 (7)	0.0025 (6)	0.0036 (5)	−0.0003 (5)
C13	0.0178 (7)	0.0169 (7)	0.0141 (7)	0.0021 (6)	0.0065 (5)	0.0009 (5)
C14	0.0137 (6)	0.0144 (7)	0.0173 (7)	0.0001 (5)	0.0042 (5)	−0.0007 (5)
C15	0.0223 (7)	0.0269 (8)	0.0143 (7)	0.0006 (6)	0.0018 (6)	0.0006 (6)
C16	0.0198 (7)	0.0170 (7)	0.0189 (7)	0.0010 (6)	0.0105 (6)	0.0020 (6)

*Geometric parameters (Å, °)*

S1—C16	1.6390 (15)	C6—H6B	0.9800
N1—C5	1.3229 (18)	C6—H6C	0.9800
N1—N2	1.3738 (17)	C7—C8	1.4877 (19)
N1—H1	0.91 (2)	C8—H8A	0.9800
N2—C2	1.3097 (18)	C8—H8B	0.9800
N3—C3	1.3293 (18)	C8—H8C	0.9800
N3—N4	1.3755 (16)	C9—C10	1.386 (2)
N4—C7	1.3533 (17)	C9—C14	1.3905 (19)
N4—C9	1.4320 (17)	C10—C11	1.3915 (19)
N5—C16	1.164 (2)	C10—H10	0.9500
C1—C2	1.4879 (19)	C11—C12	1.393 (2)
C1—H1A	0.9800	C11—H11	0.9500
C1—H1B	0.9800	C12—C13	1.396 (2)

C1—H1C	0.9800	C12—C15	1.5034 (19)
C2—C3	1.4294 (19)	C13—C14	1.3863 (19)
C3—C4	1.4124 (19)	C13—H13	0.9500
C4—C7	1.3984 (19)	C14—H14	0.9500
C4—C5	1.4025 (19)	C15—H15A	0.9800
C5—C6	1.492 (2)	C15—H15B	0.9800
C6—H6A	0.9800	C15—H15C	0.9800
C5—N1—N2	127.91 (12)	N4—C7—C8	124.77 (12)
C5—N1—H1	120.8 (12)	C4—C7—C8	130.84 (13)
N2—N1—H1	111.3 (12)	C7—C8—H8A	109.5
C2—N2—N1	117.73 (12)	C7—C8—H8B	109.5
C3—N3—N4	102.82 (11)	H8A—C8—H8B	109.5
C7—N4—N3	114.78 (11)	C7—C8—H8C	109.5
C7—N4—C9	127.13 (12)	H8A—C8—H8C	109.5
N3—N4—C9	118.08 (11)	H8B—C8—H8C	109.5
C2—C1—H1A	109.5	C10—C9—C14	121.39 (13)
C2—C1—H1B	109.5	C10—C9—N4	120.13 (12)
H1A—C1—H1B	109.5	C14—C9—N4	118.48 (12)
C2—C1—H1C	109.5	C9—C10—C11	118.94 (13)
H1A—C1—H1C	109.5	C9—C10—H10	120.5
H1B—C1—H1C	109.5	C11—C10—H10	120.5
N2—C2—C3	119.82 (13)	C12—C11—C10	121.00 (13)
N2—C2—C1	118.53 (12)	C12—C11—H11	119.5
C3—C2—C1	121.65 (13)	C10—C11—H11	119.5
N3—C3—C4	112.43 (12)	C11—C12—C13	118.48 (13)
N3—C3—C2	127.69 (13)	C11—C12—C15	120.84 (13)
C4—C3—C2	119.87 (13)	C13—C12—C15	120.65 (13)
C7—C4—C5	135.66 (13)	C14—C13—C12	121.43 (13)
C7—C4—C3	105.60 (12)	C14—C13—H13	119.3
C5—C4—C3	118.72 (12)	C12—C13—H13	119.3
N1—C5—C4	115.91 (13)	C13—C14—C9	118.58 (13)
N1—C5—C6	118.14 (13)	C13—C14—H14	120.7
C4—C5—C6	125.95 (13)	C9—C14—H14	120.7
C5—C6—H6A	109.5	C12—C15—H15A	109.5
C5—C6—H6B	109.5	C12—C15—H15B	109.5
H6A—C6—H6B	109.5	H15A—C15—H15B	109.5
C5—C6—H6C	109.5	C12—C15—H15C	109.5
H6A—C6—H6C	109.5	H15A—C15—H15C	109.5
H6B—C6—H6C	109.5	H15B—C15—H15C	109.5
N4—C7—C4	104.34 (12)	N5—C16—S1	179.46 (14)
C5—N1—N2—C2	-0.3 (2)	C9—N4—C7—C4	179.09 (12)
C3—N3—N4—C7	1.25 (15)	N3—N4—C7—C8	175.84 (12)
C3—N3—N4—C9	-179.52 (11)	C9—N4—C7—C8	-3.3 (2)
N1—N2—C2—C3	-1.58 (19)	C5—C4—C7—N4	-177.34 (15)
N1—N2—C2—C1	177.60 (12)	C3—C4—C7—N4	1.48 (15)
N4—N3—C3—C4	-0.19 (15)	C5—C4—C7—C8	5.3 (3)

N4—N3—C3—C2	178.40 (13)	C3—C4—C7—C8	-175.91 (14)
N2—C2—C3—N3	-176.53 (13)	C7—N4—C9—C10	-48.7 (2)
C1—C2—C3—N3	4.3 (2)	N3—N4—C9—C10	132.23 (13)
N2—C2—C3—C4	2.0 (2)	C7—N4—C9—C14	131.16 (15)
C1—C2—C3—C4	-177.20 (13)	N3—N4—C9—C14	-47.96 (17)
N3—C3—C4—C7	-0.83 (16)	C14—C9—C10—C11	-3.9 (2)
C2—C3—C4—C7	-179.55 (12)	N4—C9—C10—C11	175.90 (12)
N3—C3—C4—C5	178.22 (12)	C9—C10—C11—C12	0.5 (2)
C2—C3—C4—C5	-0.5 (2)	C10—C11—C12—C13	3.0 (2)
N2—N1—C5—C4	1.7 (2)	C10—C11—C12—C15	-175.17 (13)
N2—N1—C5—C6	-178.41 (13)	C11—C12—C13—C14	-3.3 (2)
C7—C4—C5—N1	177.48 (15)	C15—C12—C13—C14	174.88 (13)
C3—C4—C5—N1	-1.22 (19)	C12—C13—C14—C9	0.0 (2)
C7—C4—C5—C6	-2.4 (3)	C10—C9—C14—C13	3.6 (2)
C3—C4—C5—C6	178.94 (13)	N4—C9—C14—C13	-176.18 (12)
N3—N4—C7—C4	-1.76 (16)		

*Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)*

<i>D—H...A</i>	<i>D—H</i>	<i>H...A</i>	<i>D...A</i>	<i>D—H...A</i>
N1—H1...N5	0.91 (2)	1.86 (2)	2.7668 (18)	175.6 (19)