

# Crystal structure of bis[4-(4-chlorobenzyl)pyridine- $\kappa N$ ]bis(thiocyanato- $\kappa N$ )zinc

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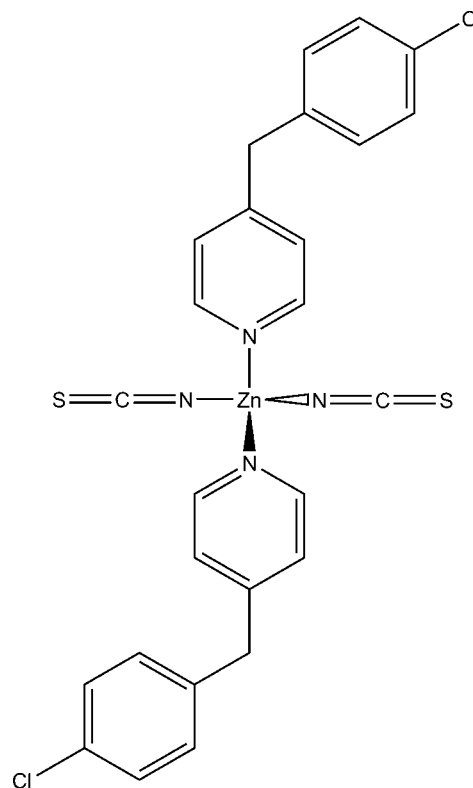
In the crystal structure of the title compound,  $[\text{Zn}(\text{NCS})_2(\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{10}\text{ClN})_2]$ , the  $\text{Zn}^{2+}$  cation is  $N$ -coordinated by two terminally bonded thiocyanate anions and by two 4-(4-chlorobenzyl)pyridine ligands within a slightly distorted tetrahedron. The asymmetric unit consists of half of the discrete complex, the central  $\text{Zn}^{2+}$  cation of which is located on a twofold rotation axis. The discrete complexes are linked into layers *via* a weak intermolecular hydrogen-bonding interaction, with a  $\text{H}\cdots\text{Cl}$  distance of 2.85 Å and a  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{Cl}$  angle of 151°. These layers extend parallel to the  $ab$  plane and are held together by dispersion forces only.

**Keywords:** crystal structure; zinc complex; thiocyanate; tetrahedral coordination; hydrogen bonding.

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## 1. Related literature

For related crystal structures with thiocyanate ligands and  $\text{Zn}^{2+}$  in a tetrahedral coordination sphere, see: Fettouhi *et al.* (2002); Kong *et al.* (2010); Zhu *et al.* (2008).



## 2. Experimental

### 2.1. Crystal data

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 Monoclinic,  $C2/c$   
 $a = 29.094$  (3) Å  
 $b = 4.9911$  (3) Å  
 $c = 18.312$  (2) Å  
 $\beta = 98.867$  (8)°

$V = 2627.3$  (4) Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 4$   
 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 1.32$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 150$  K  
 $0.12 \times 0.08 \times 0.07$  mm

### 2.2. Data collection

Stoe IPDS-2 diffractometer  
 Absorption correction: numerical  
 ( $X$ -SHAPE and  $X$ -RED32; Stoe,  
 2008)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.879$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.906$

8309 measured reflections  
 2570 independent reflections  
 1773 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.077$

### 2.3. Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.063$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.148$   
 $S = 1.08$   
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159 parameters  
 H-atom parameters constrained  
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.68$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.46$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

Data collection:  $X$ -AREA (Stoe, 2008); cell refinement:  $X$ -AREA; data reduction:  $X$ -AREA; program(s) used to solve structure:  $SHELXS97$  (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure:  $SHELXL97$  (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics:  $XP$  in  $SHELXTL$  (Sheldrick, 2008) and  $DIAMOND$  (Brandenburg, 2011); software used to prepare material for publication:  $pubCIF$  (Westrip, 2010).

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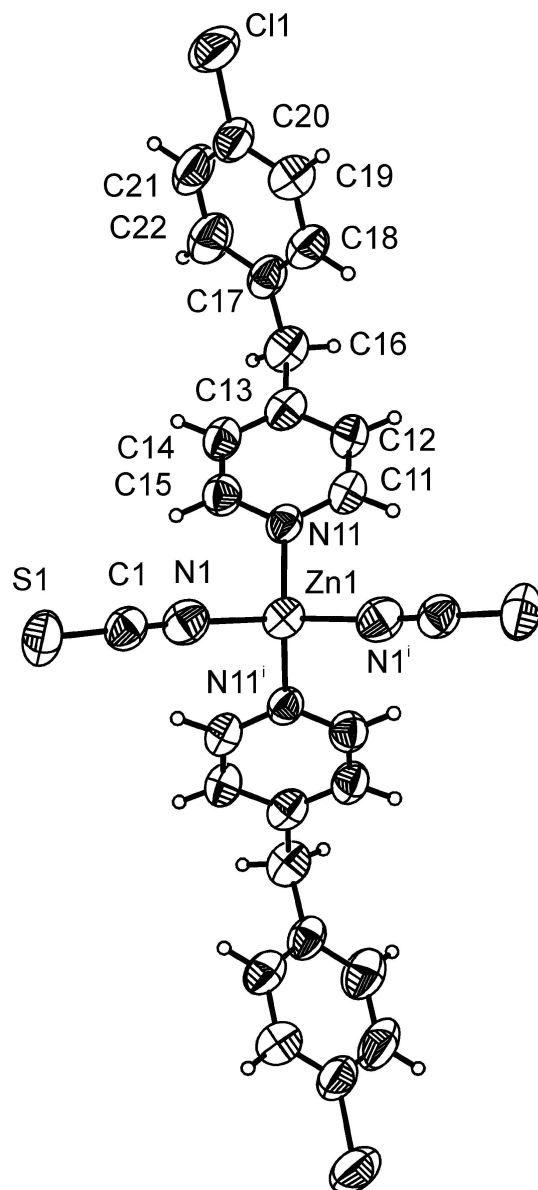
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**S1. Synthesis and crystallization**

ZnSO<sub>4</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O was purchased from Merck and 4-(4-chlorobenzyl)pyridine and Ba(NCS)<sub>2</sub>·3H<sub>2</sub>O were purchased from Alfa Aesar. Zn(NCS)<sub>2</sub> was synthesized by stirring 17.5 g (57.00 mmol) Ba(NCS)<sub>2</sub>·3H<sub>2</sub>O and 10.23 g (57.00 mmol) ZnSO<sub>4</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O in 300 mL water at RT for three hours. The white residue of BaSO<sub>4</sub> was filtered off, and the solution was evaporated by heating. The homogeneity of the product was investigated by X-ray powder diffraction and elemental analysis. The title compound was prepared by the reaction of (0.6 mmol) 108.9 mg Zn(NCS)<sub>2</sub> and (0.15 mmol) 105.5  $\mu$ L 4-(4-chlorobenzyl)pyridine in 1.5 mL acetonitrile at RT. After few days, colorless needle-like crystals of the title compound were obtained.

**S2. Refinement**

Hydrogen atoms were positioned with idealized geometry and were refined with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2 U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$  using a riding model with C—H = 0.95 Å for aromatic and C—H = 0.99 Å for methylene H atoms.



**Figure 1**

Molecular structure of the title compound with atom labelling and displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level. [Symmetry code: i)  $-x, y, -z+1/2$ .]

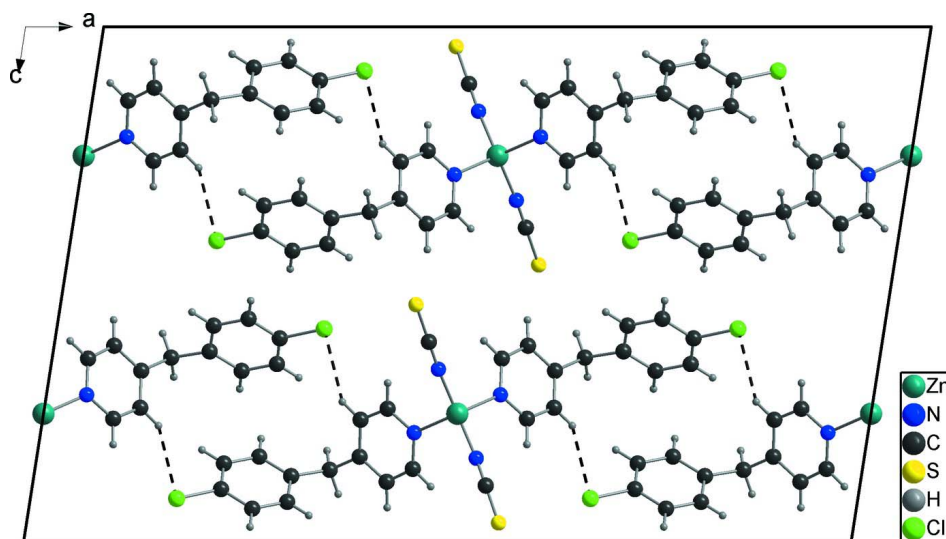


Figure 2

Crystal structure of the title compound in a projection along the  $b$  axis.

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$k = -6\text{--}6$

$l = -22\text{--}21$

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Refinement on  $F^2$

Least-squares matrix: full

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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

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0577P)^2 + 3.849P]$

where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$

$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.68\ \text{e \AA}^{-3}$

$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.46\ \text{e \AA}^{-3}$

*Special details*

**Geometry.** All esds (except the esd in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell esds are taken into account individually in the estimation of esds in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between esds in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell esds is used for estimating esds 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  $F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)$  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>	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
Zn1	0.0000	−0.30960 (18)	0.2500	0.0536 (3)
N1	0.03121 (14)	−0.4936 (9)	0.3362 (3)	0.0632 (11)
C1	0.04787 (16)	−0.6043 (11)	0.3893 (3)	0.0564 (12)
S1	0.07036 (5)	−0.7701 (3)	0.46152 (9)	0.0767 (5)
N11	0.04855 (12)	−0.0763 (8)	0.2133 (2)	0.0482 (9)
C11	0.04345 (16)	0.0091 (10)	0.1431 (3)	0.0547 (12)
H11	0.0185	−0.0612	0.1088	0.066*
C12	0.07260 (16)	0.1938 (10)	0.1181 (3)	0.0552 (11)
H12	0.0671	0.2525	0.0682	0.066*
C13	0.11000 (16)	0.2929 (10)	0.1667 (3)	0.0551 (12)
C14	0.11577 (16)	0.2014 (12)	0.2384 (3)	0.0591 (13)
H14	0.1411	0.2640	0.2731	0.071*
C15	0.08515 (16)	0.0205 (10)	0.2597 (3)	0.0561 (12)
H15	0.0899	−0.0395	0.3096	0.067*
C16	0.14365 (18)	0.4920 (11)	0.1412 (3)	0.0654 (14)
H16A	0.1505	0.6354	0.1786	0.078*
H16B	0.1289	0.5759	0.0944	0.078*
C17	0.18905 (16)	0.3592 (11)	0.1292 (3)	0.0600 (14)
C18	0.18905 (17)	0.1565 (13)	0.0792 (3)	0.0688 (15)
H18	0.1603	0.0952	0.0529	0.083*
C19	0.22994 (19)	0.0380 (15)	0.0660 (4)	0.0815 (18)
H19	0.2292	−0.1021	0.0307	0.098*
C20	0.27132 (18)	0.1235 (16)	0.1039 (4)	0.0776 (18)
C21	0.2727 (2)	0.3210 (18)	0.1536 (4)	0.093 (2)
H21	0.3017	0.3783	0.1800	0.112*
C22	0.2313 (2)	0.4443 (15)	0.1669 (4)	0.0854 (19)
H22	0.2324	0.5859	0.2018	0.103*
Cl1	0.32321 (5)	−0.0187 (5)	0.08551 (11)	0.1091 (8)

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

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
Zn1	0.0483 (4)	0.0500 (5)	0.0615 (5)	0.000	0.0050 (3)	0.000
N1	0.058 (2)	0.057 (3)	0.074 (3)	0.006 (2)	0.008 (2)	0.004 (2)
C1	0.051 (2)	0.055 (3)	0.061 (3)	−0.003 (2)	0.003 (2)	−0.007 (3)
S1	0.0709 (8)	0.0855 (12)	0.0657 (9)	−0.0042 (7)	−0.0148 (7)	0.0094 (8)

N11	0.0429 (18)	0.050 (2)	0.050 (2)	0.0061 (17)	0.0016 (16)	-0.0037 (19)
C11	0.048 (2)	0.053 (3)	0.059 (3)	0.001 (2)	-0.004 (2)	-0.002 (2)
C12	0.053 (2)	0.051 (3)	0.058 (3)	-0.001 (2)	-0.004 (2)	0.004 (3)
C13	0.051 (2)	0.041 (3)	0.071 (3)	0.005 (2)	0.001 (2)	-0.006 (3)
C14	0.052 (2)	0.063 (3)	0.059 (3)	-0.002 (2)	-0.004 (2)	-0.007 (3)
C15	0.055 (3)	0.058 (3)	0.053 (3)	0.001 (2)	0.004 (2)	-0.005 (2)
C16	0.064 (3)	0.048 (3)	0.081 (4)	-0.007 (2)	0.003 (3)	-0.002 (3)
C17	0.050 (3)	0.061 (4)	0.066 (3)	-0.011 (2)	-0.003 (2)	0.014 (3)
C18	0.049 (3)	0.076 (4)	0.078 (4)	-0.008 (3)	-0.001 (2)	0.001 (3)
C19	0.061 (3)	0.103 (5)	0.080 (4)	0.009 (3)	0.008 (3)	0.000 (4)
C20	0.050 (3)	0.110 (5)	0.069 (4)	0.004 (3)	-0.001 (3)	0.027 (4)
C21	0.051 (3)	0.132 (6)	0.089 (5)	-0.024 (4)	-0.012 (3)	0.034 (5)
C22	0.066 (3)	0.091 (5)	0.093 (5)	-0.017 (3)	-0.006 (3)	-0.003 (4)
C11	0.0565 (8)	0.168 (2)	0.1023 (13)	0.0255 (10)	0.0118 (8)	0.0551 (14)

*Geometric parameters (Å, °)*

Zn1—N1 <sup>i</sup>	1.928 (5)	C15—H15	0.9500
Zn1—N1	1.928 (5)	C16—C17	1.524 (7)
Zn1—N11	2.024 (4)	C16—H16A	0.9900
Zn1—N11 <sup>i</sup>	2.024 (4)	C16—H16B	0.9900
N1—C1	1.157 (6)	C17—C18	1.363 (8)
C1—S1	1.611 (6)	C17—C22	1.380 (7)
N11—C11	1.342 (6)	C18—C19	1.383 (8)
N11—C15	1.346 (6)	C18—H18	0.9500
C11—C12	1.377 (7)	C19—C20	1.363 (8)
C11—H11	0.9500	C19—H19	0.9500
C12—C13	1.386 (7)	C20—C21	1.338 (10)
C12—H12	0.9500	C20—C11	1.747 (6)
C13—C14	1.375 (7)	C21—C22	1.408 (10)
C13—C16	1.518 (7)	C21—H21	0.9500
C14—C15	1.367 (7)	C22—H22	0.9500
C14—H14	0.9500		
N1 <sup>i</sup> —Zn1—N1	123.1 (3)	C14—C15—H15	118.6
N1 <sup>i</sup> —Zn1—N11	105.49 (17)	C13—C16—C17	112.0 (4)
N1—Zn1—N11	106.33 (16)	C13—C16—H16A	109.2
N1 <sup>i</sup> —Zn1—N11 <sup>i</sup>	106.32 (16)	C17—C16—H16A	109.2
N1—Zn1—N11 <sup>i</sup>	105.49 (17)	C13—C16—H16B	109.2
N11—Zn1—N11 <sup>i</sup>	109.7 (2)	C17—C16—H16B	109.2
C1—N1—Zn1	176.6 (4)	H16A—C16—H16B	107.9
N1—C1—S1	177.6 (5)	C18—C17—C22	118.2 (5)
C11—N11—C15	116.9 (4)	C18—C17—C16	120.6 (4)
C11—N11—Zn1	121.4 (3)	C22—C17—C16	121.2 (6)
C15—N11—Zn1	121.4 (3)	C17—C18—C19	121.6 (5)
N11—C11—C12	123.2 (4)	C17—C18—H18	119.2
N11—C11—H11	118.4	C19—C18—H18	119.2
C12—C11—H11	118.4	C20—C19—C18	119.5 (7)

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C11—C12—C13	119.3 (5)	C20—C19—H19	120.2
C11—C12—H12	120.4	C18—C19—H19	120.2
C13—C12—H12	120.4	C21—C20—C19	120.6 (6)
C14—C13—C12	117.5 (5)	C21—C20—C11	119.6 (5)
C14—C13—C16	121.5 (5)	C19—C20—C11	119.7 (6)
C12—C13—C16	121.0 (5)	C20—C21—C22	120.2 (6)
C15—C14—C13	120.3 (5)	C20—C21—H21	119.9
C15—C14—H14	119.9	C22—C21—H21	119.9
C13—C14—H14	119.9	C17—C22—C21	119.9 (7)
N11—C15—C14	122.9 (5)	C17—C22—H22	120.1
N11—C15—H15	118.6	C21—C22—H22	120.1

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Symmetry code: (i)  $-x, y, -z+1/2$ .