

catena-Poly[[bis(pyridine- κ N)nickel(II)]-di- μ -thiocyanato- κ^2 N:S; κ^2 S:N]

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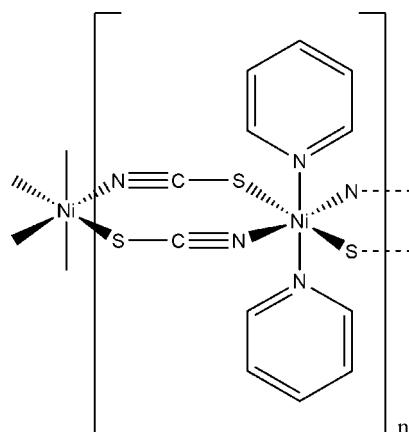
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; $T = 200$ K; mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.004$ Å; R factor = 0.035; wR factor = 0.093; data-to-parameter ratio = 17.6.

In the title compound, $[\text{Ni}(\text{NCS})_2(\text{C}_5\text{H}_5\text{N})_2]_n$, the Ni^{2+} cation is coordinated by four thiocyanate anions (μ -1,3) and two pyridine ligands within a slightly distorted octahedral configuration. The $\text{Ni}-\text{N}$ bond lengths to the pyridine rings are 2.1189 (17) and 2.1241 (17) Å, whereas those to the thiocyanate anions are 2.0299 (18) and 2.0359 Å. The $\text{Ni}-\text{S}$ bond lengths are 2.5357 (6) and 2.5568 (6) Å. The Ni^{2+} cations are linked by $N:\text{S}$ -bridging thiocyanate ligands into chains extending along [010]. The $\text{Ni}\cdots\text{Ni}$ distance within the chains is 5.5820 (5) Å. The asymmetric unit contains two Ni^{2+} cations of which one is located on a centre of inversion, whereas the second is located on a general position.

Related literature

For isotopic structures, see: Boeckmann & Näther (2010, 2012); Chen *et al.* (2005). For a previous structure report of the title compound, see Reller & Oswald (1986).



Experimental

Crystal data

$[\text{Ni}(\text{NCS})_2(\text{C}_5\text{H}_5\text{N})_2]$	$\gamma = 114.753$ (4)°
$M_r = 333.07$	$V = 1016.17$ (10) Å ³
Triclinic, $P\bar{1}$	$Z = 3$
$a = 8.4913$ (5) Å	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$b = 8.6808$ (5) Å	$\mu = 1.73$ mm ⁻¹
$c = 15.3608$ (9) Å	$T = 200$ K
$\alpha = 92.675$ (5)°	$0.17 \times 0.13 \times 0.08$ mm
$\beta = 96.460$ (4)°	

Data collection

Stoe IPDS-1 diffractometer	15116 measured reflections
Absorption correction: numerical (<i>X-SHAPE</i> and <i>X-RED32</i> ; Stoe & Cie, 2008)	4557 independent reflections
	3361 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.038$
	$T_{\min} = 0.594$, $T_{\max} = 0.775$

Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.035$	259 parameters
$wR(F^2) = 0.093$	H-atom parameters constrained
$S = 0.98$	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.59$ e Å ⁻³
4557 reflections	$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.61$ e Å ⁻³

Data collection: *X-AREA* (Stoe & Cie, 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, 2012); software used to prepare material for publication: *publCIF* (Westrip, 2010).

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1. Comment

Recently, we reported on the synthesis, crystal structures and the magnetic properties of coordination polymers of composition $[M(NCS)_2(\text{pyridine})_2]_n$ with $M = \text{Mn, Fe, Ni, Co}$ (Boeckmann & Näther, 2010, 2012). The Mn compound is an antiferromagnet, the Fe and Ni compounds show a metamagnetic transition whereas the Co compound shows a slow relaxation of the magnetization. The crystal structures of the compounds with Mn, Fe and Co were determined by single crystal x-ray diffraction, whereas for $[\text{Ni}(\text{NCS})_2(\text{pyridine})_2]_n$ no single crystals were available at that time. However, the structure of the Ni compound was already reported by Reller & Oswald (1986). They found a monoclinic unit cell in which the pyridine rings are completely disordered. Weissenberg photographs gave hint for super structure reflections leading to a triclinic unit cell that is similar to that of the title compound. However, in that paper the monoclinic average structure was presented. Later we re-investigated the Ni compound in a different context and we accidentally obtained crystals suitable for single crystal x-ray analysis. Therefore, we have determined this structure in the correct unit cell. The isotopic structure of $[\text{Cu}(\text{NCS})_2(\text{pyridine})_2]_n$ was already reported by Chen *et al.* (2005).

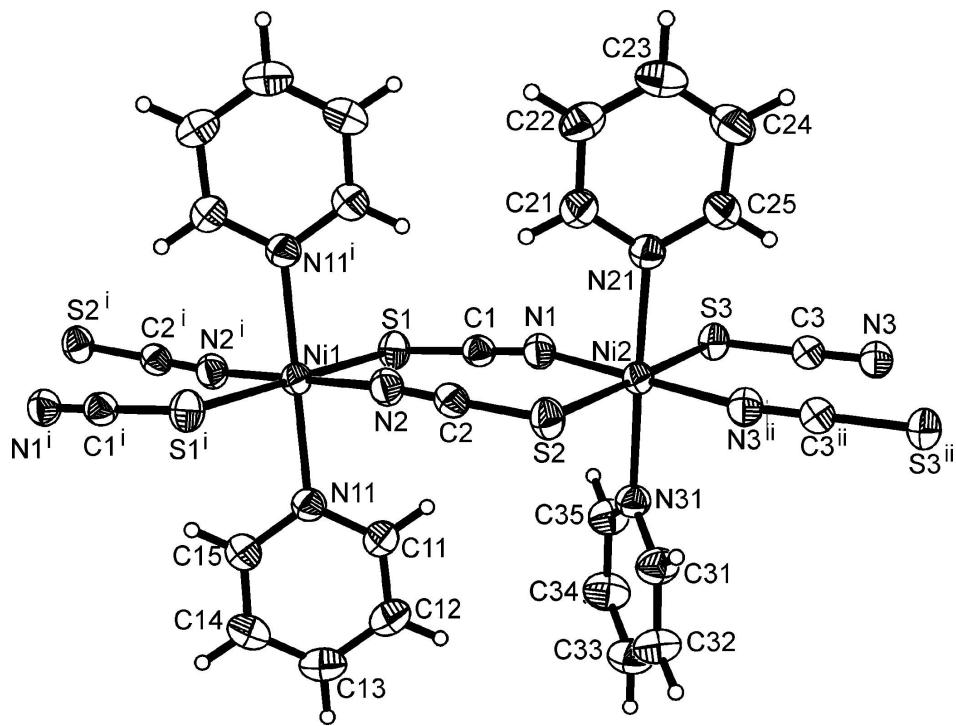
The asymmetric unit of the title compound, $[\text{Ni}(\text{NCS})_2(\text{pyridine})_2]_n$, contains two crystallographically independent Nickel(II)-cations, of which one (Ni2) is located on general position whereas the second one (Ni1) is located on a crystallographic inversion centre. In the crystal structure each Ni(II) cation is octahedrally coordinated by two N- and two S-atoms from the thiocyanato anions and by two N-atoms from the pyridine ligands. The Ni cations are linked by N,S bridging thiocyanato anions into chains that are elongated along the crystallographic *b*-axis (Fig. 2).

2. Experimental

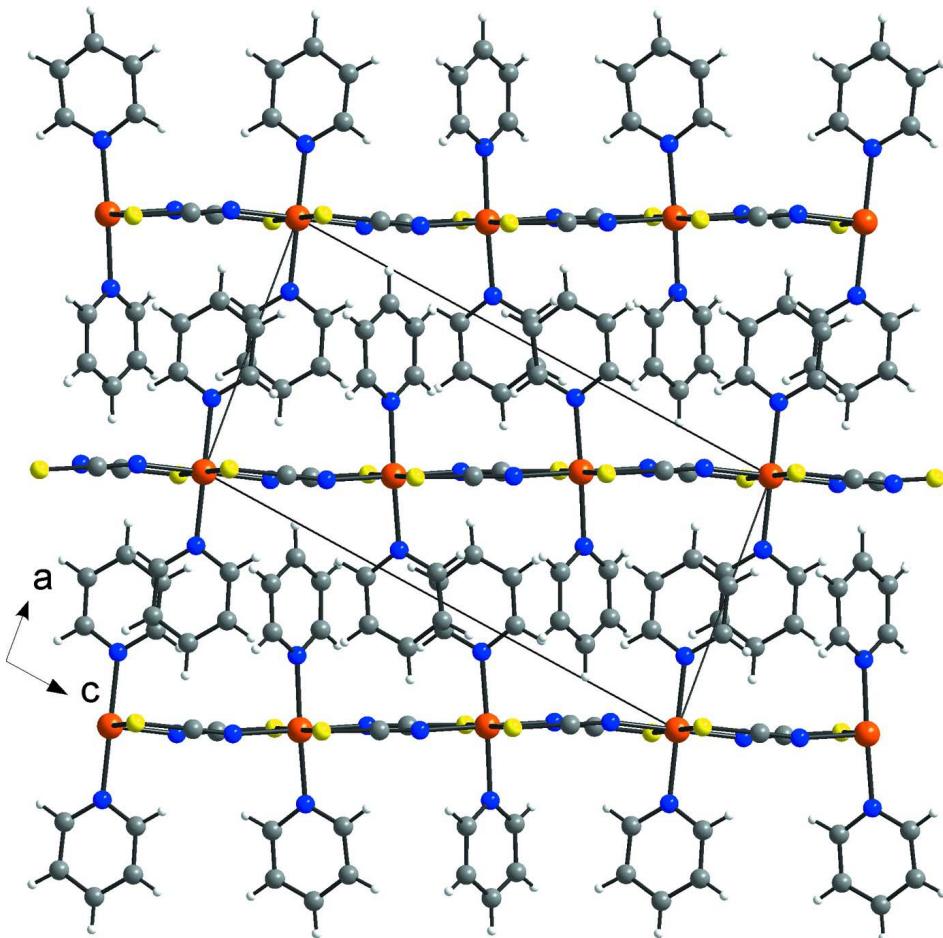
$\text{NiSO}_4 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ was obtained from Merck, Pyridine was obtained from Riedel-de Haen and $\text{Ba}(\text{NCS})_2$ was obtained from Alfa Aesar. $\text{Ni}(\text{NCS})_2$ was prepared by stirring $\text{Ba}(\text{NCS})_2 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (17.5 g, 56.9 mmol) and $\text{NiSO}_4 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (15.0 g, 57 mmol) in water (500 mL) for two hours. The white residue of BaSO_4 was filtered off and the solution was evaporated using a rotary evaporator. The homogeneity of the product was investigated by X-ray powder diffraction and elemental analysis. The title compound was prepared by the reaction of 9.1 mg $\text{Ni}(\text{NCS})_2$ (0.05 mmol) and 2.02 μL Pyridin (0.025 mmol) in 2.0 mL EtOH which was overlayed by 2.0 mL Hexan in a sealed 10 mL glass-vessel at 75°C. After 2 days the solution was slowly cooled down and green blocks of the title compound start to grow.

3. Refinement

All H atoms were located in difference map but were positioned with idealized geometry and were refined isotropic with $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2 U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ of the parent atom using a riding model with C—H = 0.93 Å.

**Figure 1**

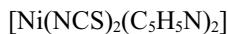
Molecular structure of the title compound. Anisotropic displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level.
Symmetry code: i = $-x, -y, -z$, ii = $-x+1, -y+1, -z+1$.

**Figure 2**

Crystal structure of the title compound viewed along the crystallographic *b*-axis.

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$D_x = 1.633$ Mg m⁻³

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Cell parameters from 15654 reflections

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$h = -10 \rightarrow 10$
 $k = -11 \rightarrow 11$
 $l = -19 \rightarrow 19$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
Least-squares matrix: full
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 $wR(F^2) = 0.093$
 $S = 0.98$
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0 restraints
Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods

Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map
Hydrogen site location: difference Fourier map
H-atom parameters constrained
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0561P)^2]$
where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.59 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.61 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

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 $F^2 > 2\text{sigma}(F^2)$ 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 (\AA^2)

	x	y	z	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
Ni1	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.02953 (11)
Ni2	0.32606 (3)	0.32286 (3)	0.336439 (15)	0.02901 (10)
N1	0.0934 (2)	-0.0319 (2)	0.12221 (11)	0.0341 (4)
C1	0.1736 (3)	-0.0104 (2)	0.19156 (13)	0.0297 (4)
S1	0.28609 (8)	0.02190 (7)	0.29065 (3)	0.03567 (13)
N2	0.1934 (2)	0.3389 (2)	0.22085 (11)	0.0338 (4)
C2	0.1373 (3)	0.3294 (2)	0.14746 (13)	0.0304 (4)
S2	0.05487 (8)	0.30834 (7)	0.04288 (3)	0.03629 (14)
N3	0.4604 (2)	0.3121 (2)	0.45220 (12)	0.0344 (4)
C3	0.5331 (3)	0.3368 (2)	0.52339 (13)	0.0299 (4)
S3	0.63925 (7)	0.37650 (7)	0.62438 (3)	0.03426 (13)
N11	0.2559 (2)	0.0842 (2)	-0.03401 (11)	0.0335 (4)
C11	0.3966 (3)	0.2009 (3)	0.01811 (14)	0.0397 (5)
H11	0.3810	0.2428	0.0717	0.048*
C12	0.5638 (3)	0.2621 (3)	-0.00381 (16)	0.0485 (6)
H12	0.6583	0.3433	0.0343	0.058*
C13	0.5885 (3)	0.2008 (3)	-0.08315 (17)	0.0493 (6)
H13	0.6997	0.2406	-0.0998	0.059*
C14	0.4458 (3)	0.0800 (3)	-0.13697 (16)	0.0469 (6)
H14	0.4588	0.0361	-0.1907	0.056*
C15	0.2824 (3)	0.0242 (3)	-0.11042 (14)	0.0391 (5)
H15	0.1866	-0.0585	-0.1471	0.047*
N21	0.0930 (2)	0.2202 (2)	0.39438 (11)	0.0331 (4)

C21	-0.0530 (3)	0.0912 (3)	0.35280 (14)	0.0391 (5)
H21	-0.0512	0.0469	0.2968	0.047*
C22	-0.2066 (3)	0.0205 (3)	0.38916 (16)	0.0461 (5)
H22	-0.3056	-0.0687	0.3581	0.055*
C23	-0.2099 (3)	0.0848 (3)	0.47198 (17)	0.0489 (6)
H23	-0.3115	0.0397	0.4979	0.059*
C24	-0.0615 (3)	0.2164 (3)	0.51590 (15)	0.0478 (6)
H24	-0.0607	0.2618	0.5721	0.057*
C25	0.0870 (3)	0.2805 (3)	0.47529 (14)	0.0395 (5)
H25	0.1873	0.3696	0.5055	0.047*
N31	0.5650 (2)	0.4229 (2)	0.28291 (11)	0.0330 (4)
C31	0.6917 (3)	0.3742 (3)	0.30780 (14)	0.0412 (5)
H31	0.6713	0.2933	0.3479	0.049*
C32	0.8516 (3)	0.4379 (3)	0.27708 (16)	0.0475 (6)
H32	0.9365	0.4011	0.2966	0.057*
C33	0.8827 (3)	0.5559 (3)	0.21738 (17)	0.0491 (6)
H33	0.9890	0.6008	0.1955	0.059*
C35	0.5977 (3)	0.5386 (3)	0.22479 (14)	0.0410 (5)
H35	0.5118	0.5750	0.2067	0.049*
C34	0.7535 (3)	0.6065 (3)	0.19054 (16)	0.0489 (6)
H34	0.7707	0.6857	0.1497	0.059*

Atomic displacement parameters (\AA^2)

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
Ni1	0.0282 (2)	0.0340 (2)	0.02409 (19)	0.01121 (16)	0.00356 (14)	0.00216 (14)
Ni2	0.02799 (16)	0.03284 (16)	0.02439 (15)	0.01130 (12)	0.00377 (11)	0.00245 (10)
N1	0.0364 (10)	0.0351 (9)	0.0290 (9)	0.0139 (8)	0.0041 (7)	0.0012 (7)
C1	0.0327 (10)	0.0285 (9)	0.0289 (10)	0.0130 (8)	0.0081 (8)	0.0040 (7)
S1	0.0417 (3)	0.0389 (3)	0.0270 (3)	0.0190 (2)	0.0005 (2)	0.0022 (2)
N2	0.0351 (10)	0.0363 (9)	0.0291 (9)	0.0155 (8)	0.0019 (7)	0.0003 (7)
C2	0.0299 (10)	0.0281 (9)	0.0335 (10)	0.0121 (8)	0.0069 (8)	0.0024 (8)
S2	0.0412 (3)	0.0376 (3)	0.0280 (3)	0.0161 (2)	0.0000 (2)	0.0031 (2)
N3	0.0354 (10)	0.0342 (9)	0.0312 (9)	0.0130 (8)	0.0031 (7)	0.0026 (7)
C3	0.0319 (11)	0.0284 (9)	0.0298 (10)	0.0130 (8)	0.0052 (8)	0.0035 (7)
S3	0.0375 (3)	0.0361 (3)	0.0279 (3)	0.0157 (2)	0.0000 (2)	0.0020 (2)
N11	0.0312 (9)	0.0380 (9)	0.0310 (8)	0.0141 (8)	0.0064 (7)	0.0046 (7)
C11	0.0334 (12)	0.0433 (12)	0.0375 (11)	0.0125 (10)	0.0034 (9)	0.0003 (9)
C12	0.0305 (12)	0.0519 (14)	0.0548 (14)	0.0104 (11)	0.0040 (10)	0.0021 (11)
C13	0.0365 (13)	0.0537 (14)	0.0626 (15)	0.0208 (11)	0.0173 (12)	0.0125 (12)
C14	0.0470 (14)	0.0543 (14)	0.0469 (13)	0.0261 (12)	0.0181 (11)	0.0064 (11)
C15	0.0390 (12)	0.0430 (12)	0.0353 (11)	0.0175 (10)	0.0068 (9)	0.0025 (9)
N21	0.0308 (9)	0.0355 (9)	0.0318 (9)	0.0125 (7)	0.0058 (7)	0.0045 (7)
C21	0.0353 (11)	0.0389 (11)	0.0386 (11)	0.0120 (10)	0.0042 (9)	0.0026 (9)
C22	0.0328 (12)	0.0429 (12)	0.0548 (14)	0.0083 (10)	0.0068 (10)	0.0083 (10)
C23	0.0438 (14)	0.0505 (14)	0.0571 (15)	0.0194 (12)	0.0241 (12)	0.0182 (11)
C24	0.0514 (15)	0.0524 (14)	0.0421 (12)	0.0213 (12)	0.0196 (11)	0.0072 (10)
C25	0.0387 (12)	0.0429 (12)	0.0340 (11)	0.0137 (10)	0.0093 (9)	0.0017 (9)
N31	0.0298 (9)	0.0375 (9)	0.0322 (8)	0.0139 (8)	0.0068 (7)	0.0062 (7)
C31	0.0393 (12)	0.0477 (12)	0.0433 (12)	0.0236 (10)	0.0087 (10)	0.0132 (10)

C32	0.0366 (13)	0.0531 (14)	0.0594 (15)	0.0234 (11)	0.0128 (11)	0.0121 (11)
C33	0.0410 (14)	0.0484 (13)	0.0600 (15)	0.0173 (11)	0.0206 (12)	0.0103 (11)
C35	0.0398 (12)	0.0429 (12)	0.0431 (12)	0.0185 (10)	0.0100 (10)	0.0135 (10)
C34	0.0500 (15)	0.0476 (13)	0.0556 (14)	0.0220 (12)	0.0213 (12)	0.0214 (11)

Geometric parameters (\AA , ^\circ)

Ni1—N1	2.0317 (17)	C13—H13	0.9300
Ni1—N1 ⁱ	2.0317 (17)	C14—C15	1.382 (3)
Ni1—N11 ⁱ	2.1189 (17)	C14—H14	0.9300
Ni1—N11	2.1189 (17)	C15—H15	0.9300
Ni1—S2 ⁱ	2.5568 (6)	N21—C21	1.339 (3)
Ni1—S2	2.5568 (6)	N21—C25	1.341 (3)
Ni2—N3	2.0299 (18)	C21—C22	1.383 (3)
Ni2—N2	2.0359 (18)	C21—H21	0.9300
Ni2—N21	2.1203 (17)	C22—C23	1.373 (3)
Ni2—N31	2.1241 (17)	C22—H22	0.9300
Ni2—S3 ⁱⁱ	2.5357 (6)	C23—C24	1.371 (4)
Ni2—S1	2.5432 (6)	C23—H23	0.9300
N1—C1	1.160 (3)	C24—C25	1.382 (3)
C1—S1	1.648 (2)	C24—H24	0.9300
N2—C2	1.159 (3)	C25—H25	0.9300
C2—S2	1.648 (2)	N31—C31	1.336 (3)
N3—C3	1.157 (3)	N31—C35	1.338 (3)
C3—S3	1.647 (2)	C31—C32	1.382 (3)
S3—Ni2 ⁱⁱ	2.5357 (6)	C31—H31	0.9300
N11—C11	1.338 (3)	C32—C33	1.370 (3)
N11—C15	1.342 (3)	C32—H32	0.9300
C11—C12	1.380 (3)	C33—C34	1.373 (3)
C11—H11	0.9300	C33—H33	0.9300
C12—C13	1.379 (3)	C35—C34	1.381 (3)
C12—H12	0.9300	C35—H35	0.9300
C13—C14	1.372 (4)	C34—H34	0.9300
N1—Ni1—N1 ⁱ	180.00 (11)	C11—C12—H12	120.6
N1—Ni1—N11 ⁱ	90.89 (7)	C14—C13—C12	118.6 (2)
N1 ⁱ —Ni1—N11 ⁱ	89.11 (7)	C14—C13—H13	120.7
N1—Ni1—N11	89.11 (7)	C12—C13—H13	120.7
N1 ⁱ —Ni1—N11	90.89 (7)	C13—C14—C15	119.2 (2)
N11 ⁱ —Ni1—N11	180.00 (8)	C13—C14—H14	120.4
N1—Ni1—S2 ⁱ	86.10 (5)	C15—C14—H14	120.4
N1 ⁱ —Ni1—S2 ⁱ	93.90 (5)	N11—C15—C14	122.9 (2)
N11 ⁱ —Ni1—S2 ⁱ	90.46 (5)	N11—C15—H15	118.6
N11—Ni1—S2 ⁱ	89.54 (5)	C14—C15—H15	118.6
N1—Ni1—S2	93.90 (5)	C21—N21—C25	117.13 (18)
N1 ⁱ —Ni1—S2	86.10 (5)	C21—N21—Ni2	121.78 (14)
N11 ⁱ —Ni1—S2	89.54 (5)	C25—N21—Ni2	121.07 (14)
N11—Ni1—S2	90.46 (5)	N21—C21—C22	123.1 (2)
S2 ⁱ —Ni1—S2	180.00 (3)	N21—C21—H21	118.4
N3—Ni2—N2	178.85 (6)	C22—C21—H21	118.4

N3—Ni2—N21	88.45 (7)	C23—C22—C21	118.7 (2)
N2—Ni2—N21	91.90 (7)	C23—C22—H22	120.6
N3—Ni2—N31	89.20 (7)	C21—C22—H22	120.6
N2—Ni2—N31	90.46 (7)	C24—C23—C22	119.1 (2)
N21—Ni2—N31	177.59 (6)	C24—C23—H23	120.5
N3—Ni2—S3 ⁱⁱ	94.72 (5)	C22—C23—H23	120.5
N2—Ni2—S3 ⁱⁱ	84.17 (5)	C23—C24—C25	118.9 (2)
N21—Ni2—S3 ⁱⁱ	90.85 (5)	C23—C24—H24	120.5
N31—Ni2—S3 ⁱⁱ	89.89 (5)	C25—C24—H24	120.5
N3—Ni2—S1	87.63 (5)	N21—C25—C24	123.0 (2)
N2—Ni2—S1	93.47 (5)	N21—C25—H25	118.5
N21—Ni2—S1	89.58 (5)	C24—C25—H25	118.5
N31—Ni2—S1	89.77 (5)	C31—N31—C35	116.92 (18)
S3 ⁱⁱ —Ni2—S1	177.618 (19)	C31—N31—Ni2	120.73 (13)
C1—N1—Ni1	163.91 (16)	C35—N31—Ni2	122.34 (15)
N1—C1—S1	179.12 (19)	N31—C31—C32	123.4 (2)
C1—S1—Ni2	99.82 (7)	N31—C31—H31	118.3
C2—N2—Ni2	165.01 (16)	C32—C31—H31	118.3
N2—C2—S2	177.92 (18)	C33—C32—C31	118.9 (2)
C2—S2—Ni1	99.72 (7)	C33—C32—H32	120.6
C3—N3—Ni2	165.50 (17)	C31—C32—H32	120.6
N3—C3—S3	178.70 (19)	C32—C33—C34	118.5 (2)
C3—S3—Ni2 ⁱⁱ	100.49 (7)	C32—C33—H33	120.7
C11—N11—C15	117.22 (19)	C34—C33—H33	120.7
C11—N11—Ni1	122.02 (14)	N31—C35—C34	122.9 (2)
C15—N11—Ni1	120.75 (15)	N31—C35—H35	118.6
N11—C11—C12	123.2 (2)	C34—C35—H35	118.6
N11—C11—H11	118.4	C33—C34—C35	119.4 (2)
C12—C11—H11	118.4	C33—C34—H34	120.3
C13—C12—C11	118.9 (2)	C35—C34—H34	120.3
C13—C12—H12	120.6		

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