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## 2,2'-[Ethane-1,2-diylbis(sulfanediyl)]bis-(pyridine N-oxide)

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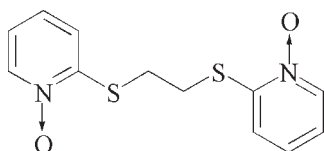
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 293$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.002$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.025;  $wR$  factor = 0.070; data-to-parameter ratio = 13.4.

The title compound,  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}_2$ , lies on an inversion center. The two pyridyl rings are parallel to each other. The structure is devoid of any classical hydrogen bonds due to lack of appropriate donors and acceptors for such bonds. However, non-classical hydrogen bonds of the types  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  and  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{S}$  stabilize the structure.

## Related literature

For thioether-type complexes, see: Xie *et al.* (2006). For a related structure, see: Zhang *et al.* (2009).



## Experimental

## Crystal data

$\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}_2$   
 $M_r = 280.36$   
Monoclinic,  $P2_1/c$   
 $a = 8.2776$  (17) Å

$b = 6.9790$  (14) Å  
 $c = 10.791$  (2) Å  
 $\beta = 93.52$  (3)°  
 $V = 622.2$  (2) Å<sup>3</sup>

$Z = 2$   
Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 0.42$  mm<sup>-1</sup>

$T = 293$  K  
 $0.28 \times 0.26 \times 0.24$  mm

## Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer  
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 1998)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.889$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.904$

3068 measured reflections  
1098 independent reflections  
1007 reflections with  $I > 2(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.013$

## Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.025$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.070$   
 $S = 1.07$   
1098 reflections

82 parameters  
H-atom parameters constrained  
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.14$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.22$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-\text{H}\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}$	$\text{H}\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}\cdots A$
$\text{C1}-\text{H1A}\cdots\text{O1}^{\text{i}}$	0.96	2.30	3.225 (2)	161
$\text{C4}-\text{H4A}\cdots\text{S1}^{\text{ii}}$	0.96	2.85	3.599 (2)	135

Symmetry codes: (i)  $-x + 1, y + \frac{1}{2}, -z + \frac{3}{2}$ ; (ii)  $x, -y + \frac{1}{2}, z - \frac{1}{2}$ .

Data collection: XSCANS (Bruker, 1998); cell refinement: XSCANS; data reduction: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: SHELXTL; software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL.

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## 2,2'-[Ethane-1,2-diylbis(sulfaneyl)]bis(pyridine N-oxide)

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### S1. Comment

In the past decades, there were many reports about the thioether-type compounds with their flexibility and conformation freedoms (Xie *et al.*, 2006). As a continuation of our series of research on thioether-type compounds (Zhang *et al.*, 2009), we report herein the crystal structure of the title compound.

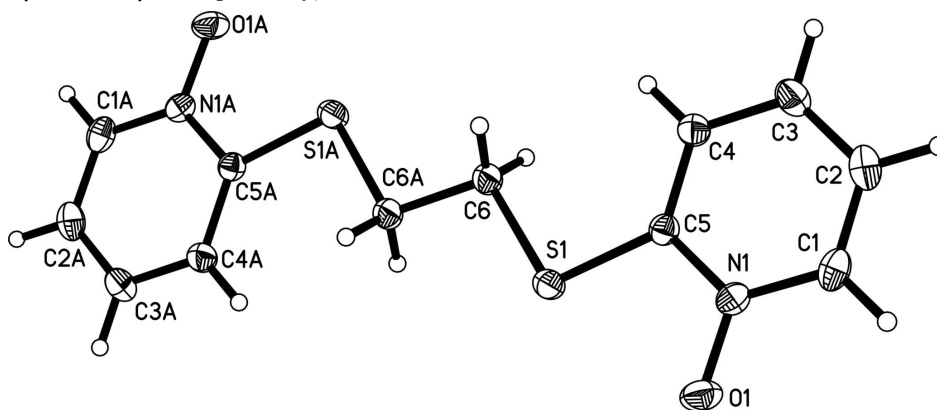
The title compound (Fig.1) was obtained by the reaction of 2-mercaptopyridine N-oxide and 1,2-dibromoethane. There exists a symmetrical center located at the midpoint of the two methylenes and the pyridyl rings of the title compound are parallel to each other. The structure is stabilized by non-classical hydrogen bonds of the types C—H $\cdots$ O and C—H $\cdots$ S.

### S2. Experimental

2-Mercaptopyridine N-oxide (1.2719 g, 10.0 mmol) was added to a stirred and heated solution of KOH (0.5837 g, 10.4 mmol) in ethanol (50 ml). After 30 min, 1,2-dibromoethane (0.9917 g, 5.3 mmol) was added and reacted for 10 h. The mixture was cooled to room temperature and the precipitate was filtered off and washed with water, giving a white powder. After slow diffusion of ether into the solution of the powder in CHCl<sub>3</sub>/CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH, colorless block single crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction were collected.

### S3. Refinement

All H atoms were included at geometrically idealized positions with C—H = 0.96 Å and treated as riding with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2$  and  $1.5 U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C}_{\text{aryl}}$  and  $\text{C}_{\text{methylene}}$ , respectively).



**Figure 1**

The molecular structure of the title compound with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 30% probability level for non-hydrogen atoms.

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Hall symbol: -P 2ybc

 $a = 8.2776 (17) \text{ \AA}$  $b = 6.9790 (14) \text{ \AA}$  $c = 10.791 (2) \text{ \AA}$  $\beta = 93.52 (3)^\circ$  $V = 622.2 (2) \text{ \AA}^3$  $Z = 2$  $F(000) = 292$  $D_x = 1.496 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$ 

Cell parameters from 3720 reflections

 $\theta = 2.5\text{--}27.9^\circ$  $\mu = 0.42 \text{ mm}^{-1}$  $T = 293 \text{ K}$ 

Block, colorless

 $0.28 \times 0.26 \times 0.24 \text{ mm}$ 

## Data collection

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diffractometer

Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube

Graphite monochromator

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(SADABS; Bruker, 1998) $T_{\min} = 0.889$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.904$ 

3068 measured reflections

1098 independent reflections

1007 reflections with  $I > 2(I)$  $R_{\text{int}} = 0.013$  $\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.0^\circ$ ,  $\theta_{\text{min}} = 2.5^\circ$  $h = -9 \rightarrow 7$  $k = -8 \rightarrow 8$  $l = -12 \rightarrow 12$ 

## Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$ 

Least-squares matrix: full

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.025$  $wR(F^2) = 0.070$  $S = 1.07$ 

1098 reflections

82 parameters

0 restraints

Primary atom site location: structure-invariant  
direct methodsSecondary atom site location: difference Fourier  
mapHydrogen site location: inferred from  
neighbouring sites

H-atom parameters constrained

 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0387P)^2 + 0.1633P]$ where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.006$  $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.14 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$  $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.22 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$ 

## 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	0.15370 (5)	0.18793 (5)	0.61401 (3)	0.03644 (16)
N1	0.32129 (13)	0.50095 (17)	0.63713 (10)	0.0304 (3)
O1	0.33935 (13)	0.43441 (16)	0.75096 (9)	0.0434 (3)
C5	0.22742 (15)	0.39913 (19)	0.55220 (12)	0.0285 (3)

C6	0.04101 (17)	0.0906 (2)	0.47863 (13)	0.0336 (3)
H7B	-0.0423	0.1793	0.4512	0.050*
H7C	0.1130	0.0708	0.4134	0.050*
C1	0.39499 (18)	0.6652 (2)	0.60369 (16)	0.0377 (4)
H1A	0.4632	0.7341	0.6635	0.045*
C4	0.20326 (17)	0.4676 (2)	0.43202 (13)	0.0353 (3)
H4A	0.1378	0.3962	0.3718	0.042*
C2	0.37221 (18)	0.7344 (2)	0.48487 (15)	0.0417 (4)
H6A	0.4235	0.8516	0.4622	0.050*
C3	0.27461 (19)	0.6363 (2)	0.39827 (15)	0.0415 (4)
H5A	0.2573	0.6851	0.3153	0.050*

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

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
S1	0.0473 (3)	0.0327 (2)	0.0285 (2)	-0.00976 (16)	-0.00380 (16)	0.00374 (14)
N1	0.0298 (6)	0.0312 (6)	0.0300 (6)	0.0024 (5)	0.0001 (5)	-0.0051 (5)
O1	0.0515 (6)	0.0479 (7)	0.0295 (6)	-0.0003 (5)	-0.0092 (5)	-0.0024 (5)
C5	0.0278 (7)	0.0285 (7)	0.0292 (7)	-0.0003 (5)	0.0019 (5)	-0.0023 (6)
C6	0.0378 (8)	0.0320 (8)	0.0308 (7)	-0.0061 (6)	0.0008 (6)	-0.0004 (6)
C1	0.0319 (7)	0.0320 (7)	0.0494 (9)	-0.0040 (6)	0.0038 (6)	-0.0119 (7)
C4	0.0386 (8)	0.0382 (8)	0.0290 (7)	-0.0056 (6)	0.0011 (6)	0.0003 (6)
C2	0.0412 (9)	0.0325 (8)	0.0528 (10)	-0.0052 (7)	0.0132 (7)	-0.0007 (7)
C3	0.0469 (9)	0.0408 (8)	0.0375 (8)	-0.0029 (7)	0.0081 (7)	0.0068 (7)

*Geometric parameters (Å, °)*

S1—C5	1.7436 (14)	C6—H7C	0.9600
S1—C6	1.8160 (15)	C1—C2	1.372 (2)
N1—O1	1.3131 (16)	C1—H1A	0.9600
N1—C1	1.3578 (19)	C4—C3	1.377 (2)
N1—C5	1.3642 (18)	C4—H4A	0.9600
C5—C4	1.385 (2)	C2—C3	1.379 (2)
C6—C6 <sup>i</sup>	1.521 (3)	C2—H6A	0.9601
C6—H7B	0.9600	C3—H5A	0.9601
C5—S1—C6	100.54 (6)	N1—C1—C2	120.48 (14)
O1—N1—C1	121.33 (12)	N1—C1—H1A	120.0
O1—N1—C5	118.14 (12)	C2—C1—H1A	119.5
C1—N1—C5	120.52 (12)	C3—C4—C5	120.21 (14)
N1—C5—C4	119.53 (13)	C3—C4—H4A	119.9
N1—C5—S1	112.44 (10)	C5—C4—H4A	119.9
C4—C5—S1	128.02 (11)	C1—C2—C3	119.98 (15)
C6 <sup>i</sup> —C6—S1	106.50 (13)	C1—C2—H6A	120.0
C6 <sup>i</sup> —C6—H7B	107.7	C3—C2—H6A	120.0
S1—C6—H7B	109.3	C4—C3—C2	119.23 (15)
C6 <sup>i</sup> —C6—H7C	114.3	C4—C3—H5A	120.5
S1—C6—H7C	109.4	C2—C3—H5A	120.3

H7B—C6—H7C	109.5		
O1—N1—C5—C4	178.66 (12)	O1—N1—C1—C2	-178.76 (13)
C1—N1—C5—C4	-2.06 (19)	C5—N1—C1—C2	2.0 (2)
O1—N1—C5—S1	-2.27 (15)	N1—C5—C4—C3	0.6 (2)
C1—N1—C5—S1	177.01 (10)	S1—C5—C4—C3	-178.35 (12)
C6—S1—C5—N1	-178.99 (10)	N1—C1—C2—C3	-0.4 (2)
C6—S1—C5—C4	-0.02 (15)	C5—C4—C3—C2	1.0 (2)
C5—S1—C6—C6 <sup>i</sup>	-176.25 (13)	C1—C2—C3—C4	-1.1 (2)

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

*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>
C1—H1A...O1 <sup>ii</sup>	0.96	2.30	3.225 (2)	161
C4—H4A...S1 <sup>iii</sup>	0.96	2.85	3.599 (2)	135

Symmetry codes: (ii)  $-x+1, y+1/2, -z+3/2$ ; (iii)  $x, -y+1/2, z-1/2$ .