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Crystal structure of diaquatrakis(1-ethyl-1*H*-imidazole- $\kappa N^3$ )(sulfato- $\kappa O$ )nickel(II)Tamas Holczbauer,<sup>a\*</sup> Attila Domjan<sup>b</sup> and Csaba Fodor<sup>c</sup>

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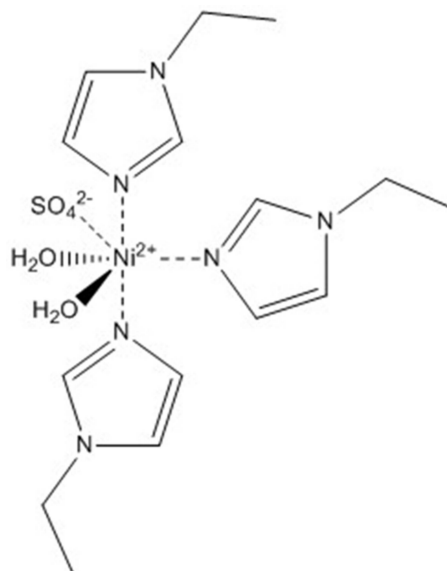
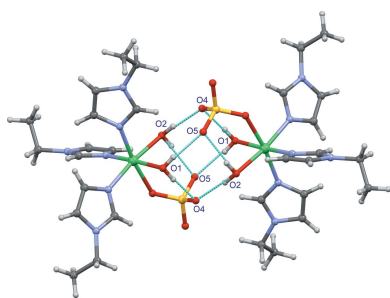
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In the title complex,  $[\text{Ni}(\text{SO}_4)(\text{C}_5\text{H}_8\text{N}_2)_3(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]$ , the  $\text{Ni}^{\text{II}}$  ion is coordinated by three facial 1-ethyl-1*H*-imidazole ligands, one monodentate sulfate ligand and two water molecules in a slightly distorted octahedral coordination environment. In the crystal, two pairs of  $\text{O}—\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  hydrogen bonds link complex molecules, forming inversion dimers incorporating  $R_2^4(8)$ ,  $R_2^2(8)$  and  $R_2^2(12)$  rings. The dimeric unit also contains two symmetry-unique intramolecular  $\text{O}—\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  hydrogen bonds. In addition, weak  $\text{C}—\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  hydrogen bonds, weak  $\text{C}—\text{H}\cdots\pi$  interactions and  $\pi$ – $\pi$  interactions with a centroid–centroid distance of 3.560 (2) Å combine to form a three-dimensional network. One of the ethyl groups is disordered over two sets of sites with occupancies in the ratio 0.586 (7):0.414 (7).

## 1. Chemical context

In spite of efforts in the past decades to synthesize structurally highly varying metal-organic complexes, no structures up to this point have been reported which contain the combination of a hydrophilic sulfate anion, water molecules and hydrophobic 1-ethyl-1*H*-imidazole molecules as ligands. The title compound was prepared by the reaction of  $\text{NiSO}_4\cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and 1-ethyl-1*H*-imidazole. The crystal structure of the title compound is presented herein.



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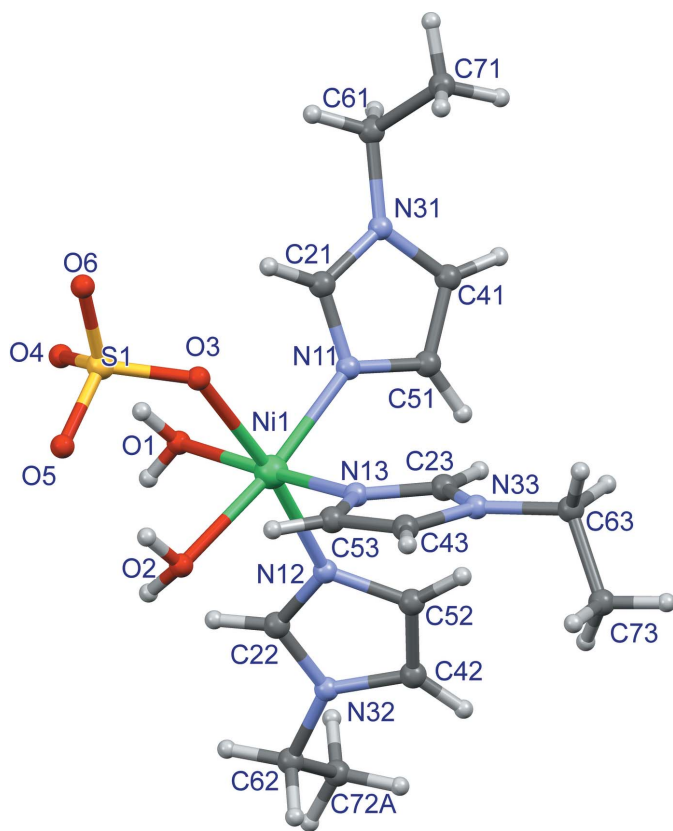


Figure 1

The molecular structure of the title compound, with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level. Only the major component of disorder is shown.

## 2. Structural commentary

The molecular structure of the title compound is shown in Fig. 1. The Ni<sup>II</sup> ion is coordinated in a slightly distorted octahedral geometry by three facially arranged 1-ethyl-1*H*-imidazole ligands, one monodentate sulfate ligand and two water molecules. The Ni–N bond lengths are in the range

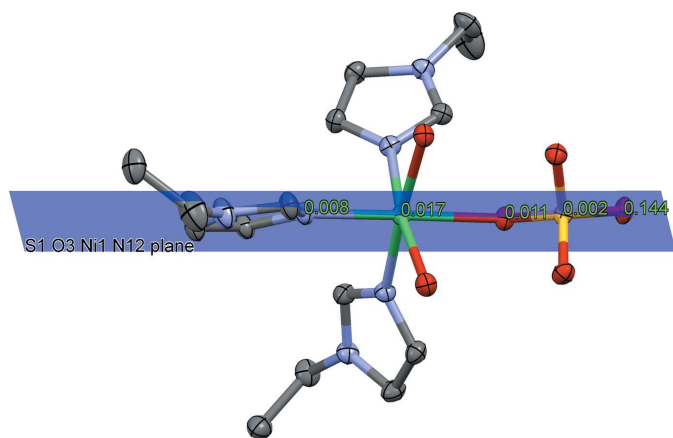


Figure 2

The distances of the atoms N12, Ni1, O3, S1 and O6 from the least-squares plane defined by S1/O3/Ni1/N12.

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

Cg1 is the centroid of the N13–C23–N33–C43–C53 ring and Cg2 is the centroid of the N12–C22–N32–C42–C52 ring

<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>
O1–H1A···O4	0.84 (3)	1.88 (3)	2.706 (2)	170 (3)
O1–H1B···O5 <sup>i</sup>	0.77 (3)	2.02 (3)	2.786 (2)	173 (3)
O2–H2B···O4 <sup>i</sup>	0.85 (3)	1.88 (3)	2.720 (2)	171 (3)
O2–H2A···O5	0.81 (3)	2.00 (3)	2.791 (2)	165 (3)
C22–H22···O5 <sup>i</sup>	0.95	2.60	3.511 (3)	162
C23–H23···O6 <sup>ii</sup>	0.95	2.56	3.409 (3)	150
C52–H52···O6 <sup>ii</sup>	0.95	2.42	3.315 (3)	157
C73–H73B···O6 <sup>iii</sup>	0.98	2.40	3.347 (3)	163
C61–H61A···Cg1 <sup>iv</sup>	0.99	2.80	3.779 (3)	169
C61–H61B···Cg2 <sup>v</sup>	0.99	2.97	3.816 (3)	144

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

2.0630 (16)–2.0817 (17) Å and the Ni–O bond lengths are in the range 2.1195 (15)–2.1502 (14). The Ni<sup>II</sup> ion is displaced by 0.1038 (3) Å from the O1/O2/N11/N13 plane. The distances of two water O atoms O1 and O2 from the S1/O3/Ni1/N12 plane are the same within experimental error, with values of 1.520 (2) and –1.504 (2) Å, respectively. The sulfate atom O6 is displaced by only 0.144 (2) Å from the S1/O3/Ni1/N12 plane, while atoms O4 and O5 are displaced by 1.114 (2) and –1.298 (2) Å, respectively, from this plane (see Fig. 2).

## 3. Supramolecular features

In the crystal, two pairs of O–H···O hydrogen bonds (Table 1) link complex molecules, forming inversion dimers incorporating  $R_2^4(8)$ ,  $R_2^2(8)$  and  $R_2^2(12)$  rings. The dimeric unit also contains two symmetry-unique intramolecular O–H···O hydrogen bonds (Fig. 3). In addition, weak C–H···O hydrogen bonds, weak C–H··· $\pi$  interactions and  $\pi$ – $\pi$  inter-

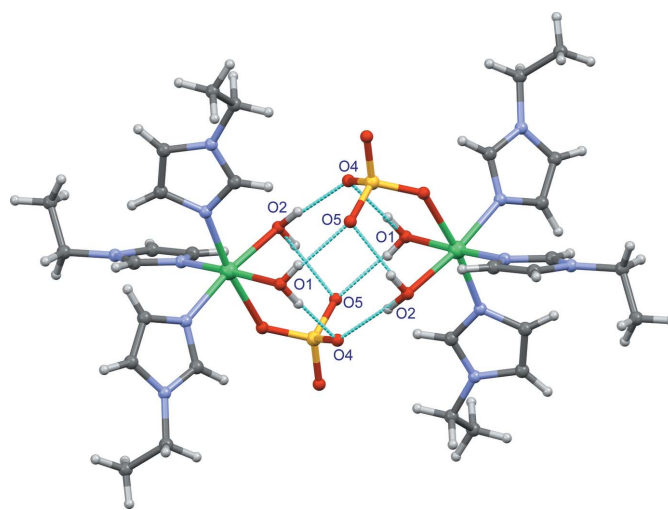


Figure 3

An inversion dimer of the title compound. Hydrogen bonds are shown as dotted blue lines.

actions with a centroid–centroid distance of 3.560 (2) Å combine to form a three-dimensional network. The  $\pi$ – $\pi$  interaction is observed between the N11/C21/N31/C41/C51 ring and the inversion-related ring at ( $1 - x, -y, 1 - z$ ).

#### 4. Database survey

A search of the Cambridge Structural Database (CSD; Groom & Allen, 2014) for molecules with two water ligands, a sulfate anion and three nitrogen-containing molecules gave the following hits with Ni: ARUZIW (Ouyang *et al.*, 2004), BEDSEJ (Wan *et al.*, 2003), FOXRAM (Xu *et al.*, 2009), REHKUL (Díaz de Vivar *et al.*, 2006), ZAMFUO (Mukherjee *et al.*, 1995), and with Cu: ODAHEI, ODAHOS (Adarsh *et al.*, 2011), XIHSAI (Gómez-Saiz *et al.*, 2002) and QUSJAP (Calatayud *et al.*, 2000).

A similar type of hydrogen bonding occurs between the sulfate anion and water molecules in the complex BEDSEJ. In ARUZIW, one of the hydrogen bonds of the sulfate anion involves the protonated hydrogen-acceptor nitrogen atom. Unlike the title compound, one of the water ligands in FOXRAM, REHKUL and ZAMFUO is *trans* to the sulfate ligand. This also the case in the copper-containing structure QUSJUP, but in ODAHEI, ODAHOS and XIHSAI the two aqua ligands are *trans* to each other.

Complexes with one Ni<sup>II</sup> ion and at least three 1-ethyl-1*H*-imidazole ligands have already been reported in the literature (DEDLIJ: Huxel *et al.*, 2012; IDEJAE: Çetinkaya *et al.*, 2013; WENYAK: Liu *et al.*, 2006). Complexes have also been reported for Cu (GEVGEV: Hoogerstraete *et al.*, 2012; UFOMIM: Liu *et al.*, 2008; XIKXEV: Liu *et al.*, 2007).

#### 5. Synthesis and crystallization

NiSO<sub>4</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O and 1-ethyl-1*H*-imidazole in a 1:1 stoichiometric ratio formed an exothermic reaction. The compound was dissolved in methanol and the solution was precipitated with ethyl acetate. After one week, blue crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction grew in the vessel.

#### 6. Refinement

Crystal data, data collection and structure refinement details are summarized in Table 2. Six reflections were found to be shaded by the beamstop and removed from the data set. The hydrogen atoms of the water molecules were located in a difference map and refined freely. Hydrogen atoms bonded to C atoms were placed in calculated positions and refined in a riding-model approximation. One of the ethyl groups is disordered over two sets of sites with occupancies in the ratio 0.586 (7):0.414 (7).

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Table 2

Experimental details.

Crystal data	
Chemical formula	[Ni(SO <sub>4</sub> )(C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>8</sub> N <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ]
<i>M<sub>r</sub></i>	478.97
Crystal system, space group	Monoclinic, <i>P</i> <sub>2</sub> <sub>1</sub> / <i>c</i>
Temperature (K)	131
<i>a</i> , <i>b</i> , <i>c</i> (Å)	12.0252 (13), 14.3481 (15), 15.3502 (11)
$\beta$ (°)	128.980 (5)
<i>V</i> (Å <sup>3</sup> )	2058.9 (4)
<i>Z</i>	4
Radiation type	Mo <i>K</i> $\alpha$
$\mu$ (mm <sup>−1</sup> )	1.09
Crystal size (mm)	0.40 × 0.25 × 0.15
Data collection	
Diffraction	Rigaku R-AXIS RAPID-S
Absorption correction	Numerical (NUMABS; Higashi, 1999)
<i>T</i> <sub>min</sub> , <i>T</i> <sub>max</sub>	0.705, 1.000
No. of measured, independent and observed [ <i>I</i> > 2 $\sigma$ ( <i>I</i> )] reflections	28931, 4723, 4284
<i>R</i> <sub>int</sub>	0.030
( <i>sin</i> $\theta$ / $\lambda$ ) <sub>max</sub> (Å <sup>−1</sup> )	0.649
Refinement	
<i>R</i> [ <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup> > 2 $\sigma$ ( <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup> )], <i>wR</i> ( <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup> ), <i>S</i>	0.033, 0.085, 1.07
No. of reflections	4723
No. of parameters	290
No. of restraints	2
H-atom treatment	H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement
$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}}$ , $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}}$ (e Å <sup>−3</sup> )	1.04, −1.12

Computer programs: *CrystalClear* (Rigaku, 2008), *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008), *SHELXL2014* (Sheldrick, 2015), *Mercury* (Macrae *et al.*, 2008) and *PLATON* (Spek, 2009).

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## Crystal structure of diaquatrakis(1-ethyl-1*H*-imidazole- $\kappa$ N<sup>3</sup>)(sulfato- $\kappa$ O)nickel(II)

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### Computing details

Data collection: *CrystalClear* (Rigaku, 2008); cell refinement: *CrystalClear* (Rigaku, 2008); data reduction: *CrystalClear* (Rigaku, 2008); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL2014* (Sheldrick, 2015); molecular graphics: *Mercury* (Macrae *et al.*, 2008); software used to prepare material for publication: *PLATON* (Spek, 2009).

### Diaquatrakis(1-ethyl-1*H*-imidazole- $\kappa$ N<sup>3</sup>)(sulfato- $\kappa$ O)nickel(II)

#### Crystal data

[Ni(SO<sub>4</sub>)(C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>8</sub>N<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>]

$M_r = 478.97$

Monoclinic,  $P2_1/c$

$a = 12.0252$  (13) Å

$b = 14.3481$  (15) Å

$c = 15.3502$  (11) Å

$\beta = 128.980$  (5)°

$V = 2058.9$  (4) Å<sup>3</sup>

$Z = 4$

$F(000) = 1008$

$D_x = 1.545$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71075$  Å

Cell parameters from 24228 reflections

$\theta = 3.0$ – $29.2^\circ$

$\mu = 1.09$  mm<sup>-1</sup>

$T = 131$  K

Prism, blue–green

$0.40 \times 0.25 \times 0.15$  mm

#### Data collection

Rigaku R-Axis RAPID-S  
diffractometer

Radiation source: NORMAL-focus sealed tube

Graphite monochromator

Detector resolution: 10.0000 pixels mm<sup>-1</sup>

dtprofit.ref scans

Absorption correction: numerical  
(*NUMABS*; Higashi, 1999)

$T_{\min} = 0.705$ ,  $T_{\max} = 1.000$

28931 measured reflections

4723 independent reflections

4284 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$

$R_{\text{int}} = 0.030$

$\theta_{\max} = 27.5^\circ$ ,  $\theta_{\min} = 3.0^\circ$

$h = -15 \rightarrow 15$

$k = -18 \rightarrow 18$

$l = -19 \rightarrow 19$

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$

Least-squares matrix: full

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.033$

$wR(F^2) = 0.085$

$S = 1.07$

4723 reflections

290 parameters

2 restraints

Primary atom site location: structure-invariant  
direct methods

Secondary atom site location: structure-  
invariant direct methods

Hydrogen site location: mixed

H atoms treated by a mixture of independent  
and constrained refinement

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0358P)^2 + 2.7059P]$

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

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

$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 1.04$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -1.12$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

*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.

*Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )*

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$	Occ. (<1)
Ni1	0.32786 (2)	0.06839 (2)	0.17394 (2)	0.01465 (8)	
S1	0.19425 (5)	−0.13289 (3)	0.04041 (4)	0.01533 (11)	
O1	0.17269 (16)	0.02378 (11)	0.19192 (12)	0.0184 (3)	
O2	0.16244 (15)	0.09393 (11)	0.00106 (12)	0.0194 (3)	
O3	0.31939 (14)	−0.07108 (9)	0.11877 (12)	0.0181 (3)	
O4	0.10655 (15)	−0.13787 (10)	0.07794 (12)	0.0203 (3)	
O5	0.10552 (15)	−0.09040 (10)	−0.07368 (12)	0.0205 (3)	
O6	0.24281 (15)	−0.22575 (10)	0.03973 (12)	0.0226 (3)	
N11	0.48566 (17)	0.02439 (12)	0.33618 (13)	0.0171 (3)	
N12	0.30580 (17)	0.20374 (12)	0.21002 (14)	0.0186 (3)	
N13	0.47676 (17)	0.10307 (12)	0.15321 (14)	0.0183 (3)	
N31	0.61057 (18)	−0.07752 (12)	0.47365 (15)	0.0205 (3)	
N32	0.1943 (2)	0.33190 (13)	0.19606 (18)	0.0293 (4)	
N33	0.67307 (18)	0.15163 (12)	0.18436 (15)	0.0203 (3)	
C21	0.5071 (2)	−0.06505 (14)	0.36263 (17)	0.0182 (4)	
H21	0.4561	−0.1143	0.3101	0.022*	
C22	0.1814 (2)	0.24081 (14)	0.17007 (19)	0.0235 (4)	
H22	0.0937	0.2074	0.1282	0.028*	
C23	0.6062 (2)	0.13902 (14)	0.22810 (17)	0.0200 (4)	
H23	0.6465	0.1540	0.3030	0.024*	
C41	0.6587 (2)	0.00910 (15)	0.52137 (17)	0.0215 (4)	
H41	0.7313	0.0229	0.5985	0.026*	
C42	0.3367 (2)	0.35474 (15)	0.2570 (2)	0.0280 (5)	
H42	0.3790	0.4141	0.2871	0.034*	
C43	0.5818 (2)	0.12208 (15)	0.07504 (18)	0.0239 (4)	
H43	0.5989	0.1225	0.0225	0.029*	
C51	0.5813 (2)	0.07121 (14)	0.43575 (17)	0.0211 (4)	
H51	0.5916	0.1370	0.4434	0.025*	
C52	0.4042 (2)	0.27554 (14)	0.26545 (18)	0.0215 (4)	
H52	0.5038	0.2701	0.3036	0.026*	
C53	0.4619 (2)	0.09216 (15)	0.05751 (17)	0.0209 (4)	
H53	0.3798	0.0673	−0.0110	0.025*	
C61	0.6605 (3)	−0.16783 (16)	0.5309 (2)	0.0306 (5)	
H61A	0.5983	−0.2177	0.4768	0.037*	
H61B	0.6524	−0.1688	0.5912	0.037*	
C62	0.0740 (3)	0.39212 (18)	0.1578 (3)	0.0462 (7)	
H62A	−0.0128	0.3533	0.1216	0.055*	0.586 (7)
H62B	0.0576	0.4354	0.1005	0.055*	0.586 (7)
H62C	0.0944	0.4235	0.2239	0.055*	0.414 (7)

H62D	−0.0116	0.3526	0.1243	0.055*	0.414 (7)
C63	0.8153 (2)	0.19343 (16)	0.24232 (19)	0.0254 (4)	
H63A	0.8754	0.1508	0.2368	0.030*	
H63B	0.8617	0.2014	0.3227	0.030*	
C71	0.8118 (3)	−0.18738 (19)	0.5804 (3)	0.0461 (7)	
H71A	0.8749	−0.1414	0.6389	0.069*	
H71B	0.8215	−0.1836	0.5217	0.069*	
H71C	0.8384	−0.2500	0.6131	0.069*	
C72A	0.0951 (4)	0.4480 (3)	0.2497 (3)	0.0344 (11)	0.586 (7)
H72A	0.0106	0.4869	0.2184	0.052*	0.586 (7)
H72B	0.1796	0.4878	0.2850	0.052*	0.586 (7)
H72C	0.1088	0.4057	0.3059	0.052*	0.586 (7)
C72B	0.0385 (8)	0.4659 (5)	0.0733 (6)	0.061 (3)	0.414 (7)
H72D	0.1231	0.5044	0.1042	0.092*	0.414 (7)
H72E	−0.0394	0.5052	0.0568	0.092*	0.414 (7)
H72F	0.0086	0.4358	0.0042	0.092*	0.414 (7)
C73	0.8063 (3)	0.28677 (17)	0.1928 (2)	0.0286 (5)	
H73A	0.7374	0.3265	0.1894	0.043*	
H73B	0.7752	0.2778	0.1171	0.043*	
H73C	0.9006	0.3166	0.2399	0.043*	
H2A	0.145 (3)	0.044 (2)	−0.030 (2)	0.030 (7)*	
H2B	0.083 (3)	0.112 (2)	−0.017 (2)	0.038 (8)*	
H1A	0.152 (3)	−0.029 (2)	0.163 (3)	0.041 (8)*	
H1B	0.098 (3)	0.046 (2)	0.159 (3)	0.035 (8)*	

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

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
Ni1	0.01215 (12)	0.01505 (13)	0.01544 (13)	−0.00015 (8)	0.00804 (10)	−0.00036 (9)
S1	0.0129 (2)	0.0156 (2)	0.0155 (2)	0.00119 (16)	0.00791 (19)	−0.00091 (16)
O1	0.0150 (7)	0.0182 (7)	0.0209 (7)	−0.0005 (6)	0.0107 (6)	−0.0016 (6)
O2	0.0156 (7)	0.0192 (7)	0.0201 (7)	0.0002 (6)	0.0096 (6)	−0.0001 (6)
O3	0.0135 (6)	0.0186 (7)	0.0189 (7)	−0.0002 (5)	0.0085 (6)	−0.0026 (5)
O4	0.0185 (7)	0.0215 (7)	0.0232 (7)	−0.0017 (5)	0.0143 (6)	−0.0020 (6)
O5	0.0187 (7)	0.0231 (7)	0.0160 (7)	0.0020 (6)	0.0091 (6)	0.0005 (6)
O6	0.0208 (7)	0.0179 (7)	0.0244 (7)	0.0034 (6)	0.0120 (6)	−0.0023 (6)
N11	0.0137 (7)	0.0195 (8)	0.0167 (8)	0.0010 (6)	0.0089 (7)	0.0004 (6)
N12	0.0166 (8)	0.0181 (8)	0.0206 (8)	−0.0013 (6)	0.0114 (7)	−0.0012 (6)
N13	0.0173 (8)	0.0185 (8)	0.0205 (8)	−0.0001 (6)	0.0126 (7)	−0.0002 (6)
N31	0.0182 (8)	0.0211 (8)	0.0199 (8)	0.0007 (6)	0.0109 (7)	0.0025 (7)
N32	0.0258 (9)	0.0194 (9)	0.0452 (12)	0.0010 (7)	0.0236 (9)	−0.0013 (8)
N33	0.0173 (8)	0.0216 (8)	0.0237 (9)	−0.0012 (7)	0.0136 (7)	−0.0013 (7)
C21	0.0145 (9)	0.0201 (9)	0.0180 (9)	−0.0002 (7)	0.0093 (8)	0.0003 (7)
C22	0.0187 (9)	0.0184 (9)	0.0306 (11)	−0.0013 (8)	0.0142 (9)	−0.0021 (8)
C23	0.0178 (9)	0.0227 (10)	0.0206 (9)	−0.0014 (8)	0.0126 (8)	−0.0018 (8)
C41	0.0172 (9)	0.0252 (10)	0.0172 (9)	−0.0006 (8)	0.0084 (8)	−0.0021 (8)
C42	0.0281 (11)	0.0196 (10)	0.0389 (13)	−0.0056 (8)	0.0224 (10)	−0.0052 (9)
C43	0.0219 (10)	0.0301 (11)	0.0227 (10)	−0.0027 (8)	0.0155 (9)	−0.0035 (8)



C51	0.0202 (10)	0.0200 (10)	0.0196 (10)	−0.0003 (7)	0.0109 (8)	−0.0025 (8)
C52	0.0184 (9)	0.0194 (9)	0.0264 (10)	−0.0033 (8)	0.0140 (9)	−0.0017 (8)
C53	0.0182 (9)	0.0237 (10)	0.0203 (9)	−0.0014 (8)	0.0119 (8)	−0.0036 (8)
C61	0.0302 (12)	0.0242 (11)	0.0319 (12)	0.0048 (9)	0.0169 (10)	0.0112 (9)
C62	0.0368 (14)	0.0281 (13)	0.078 (2)	0.0115 (11)	0.0379 (15)	0.0054 (13)
C63	0.0149 (9)	0.0286 (11)	0.0298 (11)	−0.0039 (8)	0.0127 (9)	−0.0026 (9)
C71	0.0353 (14)	0.0302 (13)	0.0618 (18)	0.0143 (11)	0.0252 (14)	0.0112 (12)
C72A	0.025	0.027 (2)	0.048 (3)	0.0004 (15)	0.0218 (14)	−0.0071 (18)
C72B	0.025	0.075 (6)	0.063 (5)	0.022 (3)	0.017 (3)	0.005 (4)
C73	0.0295 (11)	0.0316 (12)	0.0298 (11)	−0.0081 (9)	0.0211 (10)	−0.0042 (9)

*Geometric parameters (Å, °)*

Ni1—N11	2.0630 (16)	C41—H41	0.9500
Ni1—N13	2.0667 (16)	C42—C52	1.354 (3)
Ni1—N12	2.0817 (17)	C42—H42	0.9500
Ni1—O2	2.1195 (15)	C43—C53	1.359 (3)
Ni1—O1	2.1485 (15)	C43—H43	0.9500
Ni1—O3	2.1502 (14)	C51—H51	0.9500
S1—O6	1.4574 (14)	C52—H52	0.9500
S1—O4	1.4878 (14)	C53—H53	0.9500
S1—O3	1.4902 (14)	C61—C71	1.492 (3)
S1—O5	1.4920 (14)	C61—H61A	0.9900
O1—H1A	0.84 (3)	C61—H61B	0.9900
O1—H1B	0.77 (3)	C62—C72A	1.499 (3)
O2—H2A	0.81 (3)	C62—C72B	1.512 (3)
O2—H2B	0.85 (3)	C62—H62A	0.9900
N11—C21	1.322 (3)	C62—H62B	0.9900
N11—C51	1.378 (3)	C62—H62C	0.9900
N12—C22	1.320 (3)	C62—H62D	0.9900
N12—C52	1.385 (3)	C63—C73	1.509 (3)
N13—C23	1.326 (3)	C63—H63A	0.9900
N13—C53	1.373 (3)	C63—H63B	0.9900
N31—C21	1.348 (3)	C71—H71A	0.9800
N31—C41	1.372 (3)	C71—H71B	0.9800
N31—C61	1.466 (3)	C71—H71C	0.9800
N32—C22	1.347 (3)	C72A—H72A	0.9800
N32—C42	1.378 (3)	C72A—H72B	0.9800
N32—C62	1.455 (3)	C72A—H72C	0.9800
N33—C23	1.345 (3)	C72B—H72D	0.9800
N33—C43	1.372 (3)	C72B—H72E	0.9800
N33—C63	1.471 (3)	C72B—H72F	0.9800
C21—H21	0.9500	C73—H73A	0.9800
C22—H22	0.9500	C73—H73B	0.9800
C23—H23	0.9500	C73—H73C	0.9800
C41—C51	1.360 (3)		
N11—Ni1—N13	91.81 (6)	C53—C43—N33	105.81 (18)



N11—Ni1—N12	97.97 (7)	C53—C43—H43	127.1
N13—Ni1—N12	94.83 (7)	N33—C43—H43	127.1
N11—Ni1—O2	172.09 (6)	C41—C51—N11	109.81 (18)
N13—Ni1—O2	89.27 (6)	C41—C51—H51	125.1
N12—Ni1—O2	89.74 (6)	N11—C51—H51	125.1
N11—Ni1—O1	88.13 (6)	C42—C52—N12	109.66 (18)
N13—Ni1—O1	176.45 (6)	C42—C52—H52	125.2
N12—Ni1—O1	88.70 (6)	N12—C52—H52	125.2
O2—Ni1—O1	90.31 (6)	C43—C53—N13	110.15 (18)
N11—Ni1—O3	88.30 (6)	C43—C53—H53	124.9
N13—Ni1—O3	89.68 (6)	N13—C53—H53	124.9
N12—Ni1—O3	172.14 (6)	N31—C61—C71	112.3 (2)
O2—Ni1—O3	83.87 (6)	N31—C61—H61A	109.1
O1—Ni1—O3	86.76 (6)	C71—C61—H61A	109.1
O6—S1—O4	110.10 (9)	N31—C61—H61B	109.1
O6—S1—O3	110.12 (8)	C71—C61—H61B	109.1
O4—S1—O3	108.54 (8)	H61A—C61—H61B	107.9
O6—S1—O5	111.04 (9)	N32—C62—C72A	113.7 (3)
O4—S1—O5	108.45 (8)	N32—C62—C72B	115.8 (3)
O3—S1—O5	108.52 (8)	N32—C62—H62A	108.8
Ni1—O1—H1A	101 (2)	C72A—C62—H62A	108.8
Ni1—O1—H1B	122 (2)	N32—C62—H62B	108.8
H1A—O1—H1B	101 (3)	C72A—C62—H62B	108.8
Ni1—O2—H2A	106 (2)	H62A—C62—H62B	107.7
Ni1—O2—H2B	116 (2)	N32—C62—H62C	108.3
H2A—O2—H2B	104 (3)	C72B—C62—H62C	108.3
S1—O3—Ni1	130.19 (8)	N32—C62—H62D	108.3
C21—N11—C51	105.50 (17)	C72B—C62—H62D	108.3
C21—N11—Ni1	121.44 (14)	H62C—C62—H62D	107.4
C51—N11—Ni1	133.00 (14)	N33—C63—C73	111.69 (18)
C22—N12—C52	105.42 (17)	N33—C63—H63A	109.3
C22—N12—Ni1	123.31 (14)	C73—C63—H63A	109.3
C52—N12—Ni1	130.90 (13)	N33—C63—H63B	109.3
C23—N13—C53	105.29 (16)	C73—C63—H63B	109.3
C23—N13—Ni1	128.18 (14)	H63A—C63—H63B	107.9
C53—N13—Ni1	126.53 (13)	C61—C71—H71A	109.5
C21—N31—C41	107.37 (17)	C61—C71—H71B	109.5
C21—N31—C61	125.43 (18)	H71A—C71—H71B	109.5
C41—N31—C61	127.20 (18)	C61—C71—H71C	109.5
C22—N32—C42	107.12 (18)	H71A—C71—H71C	109.5
C22—N32—C62	123.8 (2)	H71B—C71—H71C	109.5
C42—N32—C62	128.9 (2)	C62—C72A—H72A	109.5
C23—N33—C43	107.43 (17)	C62—C72A—H72B	109.5
C23—N33—C63	125.87 (18)	H72A—C72A—H72B	109.5
C43—N33—C63	126.65 (18)	C62—C72A—H72C	109.5
N11—C21—N31	111.34 (17)	H72A—C72A—H72C	109.5
N11—C21—H21	124.3	H72B—C72A—H72C	109.5
N31—C21—H21	124.3	C62—C72B—H72D	109.5

N12—C22—N32	111.58 (18)	C62—C72B—H72E	109.5
N12—C22—H22	124.2	H72D—C72B—H72E	109.5
N32—C22—H22	124.2	C62—C72B—H72F	109.5
N13—C23—N33	111.33 (18)	H72D—C72B—H72F	109.5
N13—C23—H23	124.3	H72E—C72B—H72F	109.5
N33—C23—H23	124.3	C63—C73—H73A	109.5
C51—C41—N31	105.98 (18)	C63—C73—H73B	109.5
C51—C41—H41	127.0	H73A—C73—H73B	109.5
N31—C41—H41	127.0	C63—C73—H73C	109.5
C52—C42—N32	106.21 (19)	H73A—C73—H73C	109.5
C52—C42—H42	126.9	H73B—C73—H73C	109.5
N32—C42—H42	126.9		
O6—S1—O3—Ni1	−172.84 (10)	C23—N33—C43—C53	−0.2 (2)
O4—S1—O3—Ni1	−52.25 (13)	C63—N33—C43—C53	−177.64 (19)
O5—S1—O3—Ni1	65.42 (13)	N31—C41—C51—N11	0.4 (2)
C51—N11—C21—N31	0.3 (2)	C21—N11—C51—C41	−0.5 (2)
Ni1—N11—C21—N31	−177.08 (12)	Ni1—N11—C51—C41	176.55 (14)
C41—N31—C21—N11	−0.1 (2)	N32—C42—C52—N12	0.3 (3)
C61—N31—C21—N11	179.85 (19)	C22—N12—C52—C42	−0.4 (2)
C52—N12—C22—N32	0.3 (3)	Ni1—N12—C52—C42	172.68 (15)
Ni1—N12—C22—N32	−173.42 (15)	N33—C43—C53—N13	0.4 (2)
C42—N32—C22—N12	−0.1 (3)	C23—N13—C53—C43	−0.4 (2)
C62—N32—C22—N12	176.4 (2)	Ni1—N13—C53—C43	−179.64 (14)
C53—N13—C23—N33	0.3 (2)	C21—N31—C61—C71	114.2 (3)
Ni1—N13—C23—N33	179.50 (13)	C41—N31—C61—C71	−65.9 (3)
C43—N33—C23—N13	−0.1 (2)	C22—N32—C62—C72A	130.5 (3)
C63—N33—C23—N13	177.42 (18)	C42—N32—C62—C72A	−53.8 (4)
C21—N31—C41—C51	−0.2 (2)	C22—N32—C62—C72B	−110.8 (5)
C61—N31—C41—C51	179.9 (2)	C42—N32—C62—C72B	64.9 (5)
C22—N32—C42—C52	−0.1 (3)	C23—N33—C63—C73	−111.6 (2)
C62—N32—C42—C52	−176.4 (2)	C43—N33—C63—C73	65.4 (3)

### Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\text{\AA}$ , $^\circ$ )

Cg1 is the centroid of the N13—C23—N33—C43—C53 ring and Cg2 is the centroid of the N12—C22—N32—C42—C52 ring

<i>D</i> —H $\cdots$ <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H	H $\cdots$ <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> $\cdots$ <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H $\cdots$ <i>A</i>
O1—H1A $\cdots$ O4	0.84 (3)	1.88 (3)	2.706 (2)	170 (3)
O1—H1B $\cdots$ O5 <sup>i</sup>	0.77 (3)	2.02 (3)	2.786 (2)	173 (3)
O2—H2B $\cdots$ O4 <sup>i</sup>	0.85 (3)	1.88 (3)	2.720 (2)	171 (3)
O2—H2A $\cdots$ O5	0.81 (3)	2.00 (3)	2.791 (2)	165 (3)
C22—H22 $\cdots$ O5 <sup>i</sup>	0.95	2.60	3.511 (3)	162
C23—H23 $\cdots$ O6 <sup>ii</sup>	0.95	2.56	3.409 (3)	150
C52—H52 $\cdots$ O6 <sup>ii</sup>	0.95	2.42	3.315 (3)	157
C73—H73B $\cdots$ O6 <sup>iii</sup>	0.98	2.40	3.347 (3)	163

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C61—H61A...Cg1 <sup>iv</sup>	0.99	2.80	3.779 (3)	169
C61—H61B...Cg2 <sup>v</sup>	0.99	2.97	3.816 (3)	144

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