

*Crystallographic report***Tris(*N,N*-dimethyldithiocarbamato)arsenic(III) dichloromethane solvate****Danlin Chen, Chian Sing Lai and Edward R. T. Tiekink***

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The structure of $\text{As}(\text{S}_2\text{CNMe}_2)_3$ has approximate threefold symmetry and features essentially monodentate dithiocarbamate ligands, so that the geometry is trigonal pyramidal. Copyright © 2003 John Wiley & Sons, Ltd.

KEYWORDS: crystal structure; arsenic; dithiocarbamate**COMMENT**

The dithiocarbamate ligands in $\text{As}(\text{S}_2\text{CNMe}_2)_3$ essentially coordinate in the monodentate mode forming As–S distances of approximately 2.3 Å; Fig. 1. The thione sulfur atoms are about 2.9 Å from the arsenic atom. An alternate description of the coordination geometry is one based on a distorted octahedron in which the lone pair of electrons projects out of the triangular face defined by the S2, S4 and S6 atoms, thereby elongating these bonds. Binary arsenic(III) dithiocarbamates^{1–3} and the more studied xanthates $\text{As}(\text{S}_2\text{COR})_3$,^{4–9} essentially adopt the same structural motif as described for $\text{As}(\text{S}_2\text{CNMe}_2)_3$.

EXPERIMENTAL

Crystals were isolated as a dichloromethane solvate from a dichloromethane/ethanol (1/1) solution containing $\text{As}(\text{S}_2\text{CNMe}_2)_3$ that had been prepared by the standard method;¹ m. p. 211.5–212.4 °C. NMR (CDCl_3): ^1H , δ 3.34 (CH_3) ppm; ^{13}C , δ 198.6 (C_{quat}), 43.1 (CH_3) ppm. Intensity data for **I** were collected at 223 K on a Bruker AXS SMART CCD diffractometer for a colourless block $0.21 \times 0.23 \times 0.31 \text{ mm}^3$. $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{20}\text{AsCl}_2\text{N}_3\text{S}_6$, $M = 520.5$, monoclinic, $P2_1/c$, $a = 13.1676(9)$, $b = 7.2662(5)$, $c = 22.8898(15)$ Å, $\beta = 92.005(2)^\circ$, $V = 2188.7(3)$ Å³, $Z = 4$, 6387 unique data ($\theta_{\text{max}} 30.0^\circ$), $R = 0.053$ (all data), $wR = 0.114$ (all data), $\rho_{\text{max}} = 1.17 \text{ e}^- \text{ Å}^{-3}$

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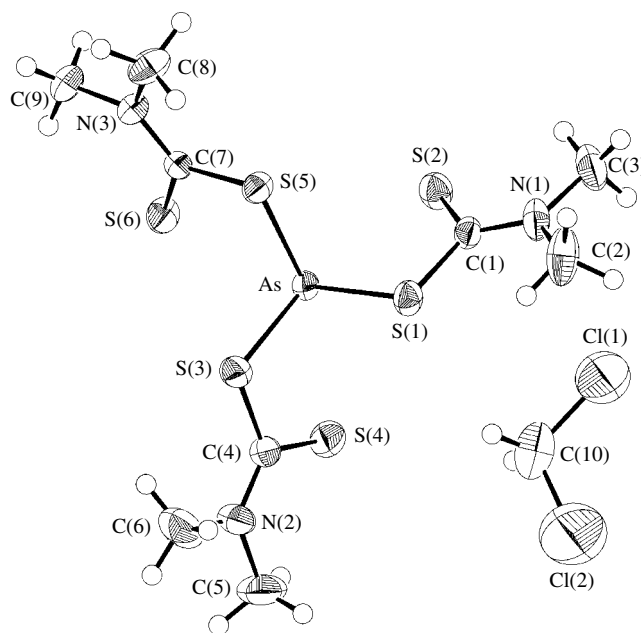


Figure 1. Molecular structure of $\text{As}(\text{S}_2\text{CNMe}_2)_3 \cdot \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$. Key geometric parameters: As–S(1) 2.3083(7), As–S(3) 2.3089(7), As–S(5) 2.3333(6) Å; S(1)–As–S(3) 89.67(3), S(1)–As–S(5) 88.57(2), S(3)–As–S(5) 87.94(2)°.

(near arsenic). Programs used: teXsan, DIRDIF, SHELXL, and ORTEP. CCDC deposition number: 210 642.

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