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## Piperazine-1,4-diium bis(hydrogen 2-propyl-1*H*-imidazole-4,5-dicarboxylate) monohydrate

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; T = 273 K; mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.004 Å; R factor = 0.050; wR factor = 0.136; data-to-parameter ratio = 12.5.

The title compound,  $C_4H_{12}N_2^{2+}\cdot 2C_8H_9N_2O_4^{-}\cdot H_2O$ , is a hydrated proton-transfer compound obtained from 2-propyl-1*H*-imidazole-4,5-dicarboxylic acid and piperazine. The asymmetric unit contains one half-cation, one anion and half a water molecule. There is a centre of inversion at the centre of the cation ring and the water molecule O atom lies on a twofold rotation axis. In the crystal, intermolecular N-H···O and N-H···N hydrogen bonds help to construct a three-dimensional framework. Almost symmetrical, intramolecular O-H···O interactions are also observed.

## **Related literature**

For the structures and properties of proton-transfer compounds, see: Aghabozorg *et al.* (2006). For the use of multi-carboxylate heterocyclic acids and piperazine in coordination chemistry, see: Murugavel *et al.* (2009); Sheshmani *et al.* (2006) and for piperazinium structures, see: Murugavel *et al.* (2009); Sheshmani *et al.* (2007). For bond-length data, see: Allen *et al.* (1987).



 $V = 2553.6 (10) \text{ Å}^3$ 

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  $\mu = 0.10 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ 

 $0.20 \times 0.18 \times 0.16 \; \mathrm{mm}$ 

Z = 4

T = 273 K

## Experimental

#### Crystal data

 $\begin{array}{l} C_{4}H_{12}N_{2}^{2+}\cdot 2C_{8}H_{9}N_{2}O_{4}^{-}\cdot H_{2}O\\ M_{r}=500.52\\ Monoclinic, I2/a\\ a=11.288 \ (2) \ \mathring{A}\\ b=15.965 \ (3) \ \mathring{A}\\ c=14.449 \ (4) \ \mathring{A}\\ \beta=101.296 \ (12)^{\circ} \end{array}$ 

#### Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SADABS*; Bruker, 1997)  $T_{\min} = 0.980, T_{\max} = 0.984$ 

#### Refinement

6239 measured reflections 2066 independent reflections 1499 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$  $R_{\text{int}} = 0.039$ 

H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement  $\Delta \rho_{max} = 0.43 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$  $\Delta \rho_{min} = -0.21 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$ 

## Table 1 Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
O3−H2···O1	1.19 (3)	1.26 (3)	2.447 (3)	172 (3)
$O5-H1W \cdots O1^{i}$	0.87	2.24	3.065 (3)	158
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Symmetry codes: (i) x + 1, y, z; (ii)  $-x + \frac{1}{2}$ , y, -z; (iii)  $-x + \frac{1}{2}$ , y, -z + 1.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 1997); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 1997); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 2008); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

Supplementary data and figures for this paper are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: JH2238).

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## S1. Comment

t;text-indent:12.0 pt;mso-char-indent-count: 1.0;line-height:200%'>In the past decades, much attention has been focused on the design and synthesis of proton-transfer compounds, owing to their importance in physics, chemistry and biochemistry (Aghabozorg *et al.*, 2006; Allen *et al.*, 1987). Many multi-carboxylate or heterocyclic acids and piperazine are used for this purpose (Murugavel *et al.*, 2009; Sheshmani *et al.*, 2006). In order to extend the investigation, we have prepared the title compound, (I), and report its crystal structure here.

As shown in Fig.1, The asymmetric unit contains one half-cation, one anion and half a water molecule. There is a centre of inversion at the centre of the cation ring and one water molecule lies on a twofold rotation axis. The organic piperazinium dication lies at an inversion centre and adopts a typical chair geometry with normal valence bond lengths (Murugavel *et al.*, 2009) and angles, as observed in the related structures (Sheshmani *et al.*, 2007). The anionic fragment individually has two intramolecular hydrogen bonds, a O–H…O bond between adjacent carboxylate groups and a N–H…O bond between the imidazole ring and the carboxylate group (Fig. 2 and Table 1). In the crystal structure, intermolecular N–H…O and N–H…N hydrogen bonds play an important role in the construction of the three-dimensional framework (Fig. 3).

## **S2. Experimental**

To a solution of 2-propyl-1*H*-imidazole-4,5-dicarboxylic acid (0.100 g, 0.5 mmol) in water (5 ml) was added an aqueous solution (5 ml) of piperazine (0.089 g, 0.5 mmol). The reactants were sealed in a 25-ml Teflon-lined, stainless-steel Parr bomb. The bomb was heated at 433 K for 3 days. The cool solution yielded single crystals in *ca* 70% yield. Anal. Calcd for  $C_{10}H_{16}N_{3}O_{4.5}$ : C, 47.99; H, 6.44; N, 16.79. Found: C, 47.61; H, 6.77; N, 16.42.

## **S3. Refinement**

The free water H atoms attached to oxygen atoms were placed at calculated positions and refined with the riding model, considering the position of oxygen atoms and the quantity of H atoms. The H atoms were placed in geometrically idealized positions, with N-H = 0.86-0.90 Å and C-H = 0.93 Å, and constrained to ride on their respective parent atoms, with Uiso(H) = 1.2 Ueq.



## Figure 1

A drawing of the asymmetric unit in the structure of (I), showing the atom-labeling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.



## Figure 2

The hydrogen bonds are shown and are depicted by blue dashed lines. Hydrogen atoms that bonded to carbon atoms were omitted for clarity. [Symmetry codes: (i) x, -y + 3/2, z - 1/2; (ii) -x + 1/2, -y + 3/2, -z + 1/2; (iii) x, -y + 3/2, z - 1/2; (iv) -x + 3/2, -y + 3/2, -z + 1/2].



Figure 3

A view along the *a* axis, showing a three-dimensional framework.

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## Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$ Least-squares matrix: full  $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.050$  $wR(F^2) = 0.136$ S = 1.052066 reflections 165 parameters 13 restraints F(000) = 1064  $D_x = 1.302 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo K\alpha radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ Å}$ Cell parameters from 1047 reflections  $\theta = 0.0-0.0^{\circ}$   $\mu = 0.10 \text{ mm}^{-1}$  T = 273 KBlock, colorless  $0.20 \times 0.18 \times 0.16 \text{ mm}$ 

6239 measured reflections 2066 independent reflections 1499 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$  $R_{int} = 0.039$  $\theta_{max} = 24.3^\circ$ ,  $\theta_{min} = 1.9^\circ$  $h = -10 \rightarrow 13$  $k = -18 \rightarrow 17$  $l = -16 \rightarrow 16$ 

Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods

Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map

Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites

H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement

 $w = 1/[\sigma^{2}(F_{o}^{2}) + (0.0619P)^{2} + 1.5738P] \qquad \Delta \rho_{max} = 0.43 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$ where  $P = (F_{o}^{2} + 2F_{c}^{2})/3 \qquad \Delta \rho_{min} = -0.21 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.001$ 

## 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 of	or equivalent isotro	pic displacement	parameters	$(Å^2)$	ļ
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	x	у	Ζ	$U_{ m iso}$ */ $U_{ m eq}$	
C1	0.0849 (2)	0.71261 (16)	0.09103 (17)	0.0422 (6)	
C2	0.1935 (2)	0.67934 (14)	0.15314 (16)	0.0364 (6)	
C3	0.2144 (2)	0.64165 (14)	0.24013 (16)	0.0363 (6)	
C4	0.1292 (2)	0.62027 (16)	0.30292 (18)	0.0424 (6)	
C5	0.5184 (2)	0.6485 (2)	0.1969 (2)	0.0611 (8)	
H5A	0.5649	0.6478	0.2609	0.073*	
H5B	0.5409	0.6984	0.1661	0.073*	
C6	0.5505 (3)	0.5713 (3)	0.1446 (4)	0.1233 (18)	
H6A	0.5028	0.5710	0.0810	0.148*	
H6B	0.5308	0.5212	0.1765	0.148*	
C7	0.6847 (4)	0.5704 (3)	0.1403 (5)	0.171 (3)	
H7A	0.7039	0.6195	0.1078	0.205*	
H7B	0.7024	0.5213	0.1072	0.205*	
H7C	0.7320	0.5699	0.2032	0.205*	
C8	0.5499 (2)	0.57768 (16)	0.47554 (19)	0.0483 (7)	
H8A	0.5643	0.6370	0.4872	0.058*	
H8B	0.5864	0.5617	0.4227	0.058*	
C9	0.3930 (2)	0.47110 (16)	0.43879 (17)	0.0456 (7)	
H9A	0.4231	0.4509	0.3845	0.055*	
H9B	0.3062	0.4627	0.4267	0.055*	
C12	0.3877 (2)	0.65313 (16)	0.20022 (17)	0.0429 (6)	
H2	-0.004(2)	0.6647 (18)	0.195 (2)	0.103 (11)*	
H1W	0.8140	0.7443	0.0209	0.31 (5)*	
N1	0.30493 (17)	0.68560 (13)	0.12993 (13)	0.0410 (5)	
H1	0.3196	0.7069	0.0787	0.049*	
N2	0.33568 (18)	0.62552 (13)	0.26903 (14)	0.0426 (5)	
N3	0.42026 (17)	0.56200 (13)	0.45216 (14)	0.0426 (5)	
H3A	0.3883	0.5897	0.3989	0.051*	
H3B	0.3856	0.5818	0.4988	0.051*	
01	-0.01641 (15)	0.70340 (13)	0.11795 (13)	0.0582 (6)	
O2	0.09473 (15)	0.74761 (12)	0.01667 (12)	0.0510 (5)	
03	0.01637 (15)	0.63600 (13)	0.27299 (13)	0.0566 (5)	

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0.4	0.1(0(1)(1))	0.50005 (10)	0.00055 (10)	0.0525 (5)
04	0.16861 (16)	0.58907 (12)	0.38055 (12)	0.0537 (5)
05	0.7500	0.7747 (3)	0.0000	0.170 (3)

Atomic displacement parameters  $(Å^2)$ 

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
C1	0.0499 (16)	0.0430 (15)	0.0338 (14)	0.0040 (12)	0.0083 (12)	-0.0025 (12)
C2	0.0403 (13)	0.0379 (14)	0.0322 (13)	0.0010 (10)	0.0101 (10)	-0.0008 (10)
C3	0.0388 (13)	0.0379 (14)	0.0331 (13)	0.0015 (10)	0.0092 (10)	0.0022 (10)
C4	0.0480 (15)	0.0419 (15)	0.0390 (15)	0.0021 (11)	0.0124 (12)	0.0047 (12)
C5	0.0471 (17)	0.088 (2)	0.0514 (17)	0.0117 (15)	0.0188 (14)	0.0195 (16)
C6	0.090 (3)	0.089 (3)	0.215 (5)	0.042 (2)	0.089 (3)	0.042 (3)
C7	0.130 (4)	0.149 (5)	0.268 (7)	0.062 (4)	0.126 (5)	0.072 (5)
C8	0.0438 (15)	0.0455 (16)	0.0572 (17)	0.0039 (12)	0.0138 (13)	0.0078 (13)
C9	0.0408 (14)	0.0511 (17)	0.0438 (16)	0.0050 (12)	0.0055 (11)	-0.0065 (12)
C12	0.0437 (14)	0.0530 (16)	0.0335 (14)	0.0049 (12)	0.0110 (11)	0.0054 (12)
N1	0.0469 (12)	0.0483 (13)	0.0307 (11)	0.0027 (10)	0.0150 (9)	0.0058 (9)
N2	0.0437 (12)	0.0494 (13)	0.0366 (12)	0.0059 (9)	0.0127 (9)	0.0089 (9)
N3	0.0448 (12)	0.0479 (13)	0.0354 (11)	0.0108 (9)	0.0090 (9)	0.0058 (9)
01	0.0429 (11)	0.0824 (15)	0.0487 (12)	0.0088 (9)	0.0075 (9)	0.0143 (10)
O2	0.0610 (12)	0.0601 (12)	0.0334 (10)	0.0150 (9)	0.0132 (9)	0.0053 (8)
03	0.0427 (11)	0.0766 (14)	0.0527 (12)	0.0031 (9)	0.0146 (9)	0.0180 (10)
O4	0.0540 (11)	0.0682 (13)	0.0426 (11)	0.0087 (9)	0.0189 (9)	0.0200 (9)
O5	0.084 (3)	0.089 (3)	0.315 (8)	0.000	-0.015 (4)	0.000

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

C1—02	1.235 (3)	С7—Н7С	0.9600	
C101	1.286 (3)	C8—N3	1.458 (3)	
C1—C2	1.469 (3)	C8—C9 <sup>i</sup>	1.497 (3)	
C2—N1	1.368 (3)	C8—H8A	0.9700	
C2—C3	1.372 (3)	C8—H8B	0.9700	
C3—N2	1.375 (3)	C9—N3	1.488 (3)	
С3—С4	1.486 (3)	C9—C8 <sup>i</sup>	1.497 (3)	
C4—O4	1.228 (3)	С9—Н9А	0.9700	
C4—O3	1.287 (3)	С9—Н9В	0.9700	
C5—C12	1.487 (3)	C12—N2	1.325 (3)	
C5—C6	1.526 (5)	C12—N1	1.342 (3)	
С5—Н5А	0.9700	N1—H1	0.8600	
С5—Н5В	0.9700	N3—H3A	0.9000	
С6—С7	1.528 (5)	N3—H3B	0.9000	
С6—Н6А	0.9700	O1—H2	1.26 (3)	
С6—Н6В	0.9700	O3—H2	1.19 (3)	
С7—Н7А	0.9600	O5—H1W	0.8739	
С7—Н7В	0.9600			
02—C1—O1	123.5 (2)	H7B—C7—H7C	109.5	
02—C1—C2	119.2 (2)	N3—C8—C9 <sup>i</sup>	110.6 (2)	

O1—C1—C2	117.3 (2)	N3—C8—H8A	109.5
N1—C2—C3	104.8 (2)	C9 <sup>i</sup> —C8—H8A	109.5
N1—C2—C1	121.4 (2)	N3—C8—H8B	109.5
C3—C2—C1	133.8 (2)	C9 <sup>i</sup> —C8—H8B	109.5
C2—C3—N2	110.1 (2)	H8A—C8—H8B	108.1
C2—C3—C4	130.1 (2)	N3-C9-C8 <sup>i</sup>	110.8 (2)
N2—C3—C4	119.8 (2)	N3—C9—H9A	109.5
O4—C4—O3	122.9 (2)	C8 <sup>i</sup> —C9—H9A	109.5
O4—C4—C3	119.3 (2)	N3—C9—H9B	109.5
O3—C4—C3	117.8 (2)	C8 <sup>i</sup> —C9—H9B	109.5
C12—C5—C6	112.9 (3)	H9A—C9—H9B	108.1
С12—С5—Н5А	109.0	N2—C12—N1	110.5 (2)
С6—С5—Н5А	109.0	N2—C12—C5	126.6 (2)
C12—C5—H5B	109.0	N1—C12—C5	122.9 (2)
C6—C5—H5B	109.0	C12—N1—C2	108.89 (19)
H5A—C5—H5B	107.8	C12—N1—H1	125.6
C5—C6—C7	111.2 (4)	C2—N1—H1	125.6
С5—С6—Н6А	109.4	C12—N2—C3	105.7 (2)
С7—С6—Н6А	109.4	C8—N3—C9	111.74 (18)
С5—С6—Н6В	109.4	C8—N3—H3A	109.3
С7—С6—Н6В	109.4	C9—N3—H3A	109.3
Н6А—С6—Н6В	108.0	C8—N3—H3B	109.3
С6—С7—Н7А	109.5	C9—N3—H3B	109.3
С6—С7—Н7В	109.5	H3A—N3—H3B	107.9
H7A—C7—H7B	109.5	C1—O1—H2	112.1 (11)
С6—С7—Н7С	109.5	С4—О3—Н2	112.9 (12)
H7A—C7—H7C	109.5		

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