

# 2-Trifluoromethyl-1*H*-benzimidazol-3-ium hydrogen sulfate

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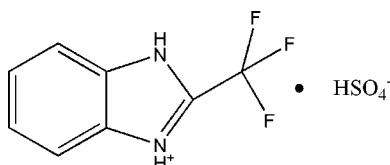
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 293\text{ K}$ ; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.009\text{ \AA}$ ;  $R$  factor = 0.052;  $wR$  factor = 0.134; data-to-parameter ratio = 11.8.

In the crystal of the title molecular salt,  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_6\text{F}_3\text{N}_2^+\cdot\text{HSO}_4^-$ , cation-to-anion N—H $\cdots$ O hydrogen bonds generate [100] chains. Anion-to-anion O—H $\cdots$ O hydrogen bonds generate [001] helices and cross-link the chains into a three-dimensional network.

## Related literature

For a related structure and background to molecular salts, see: Liu (2011).



## Experimental

### Crystal data

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|---|--|
| $\text{C}_8\text{H}_6\text{F}_3\text{N}_2^+\cdot\text{HSO}_4^-$ | $Z = 6$                                  |
| $M_r = 284.22$  | Mo $K\alpha$ radiation                   |
| Hexagonal, $P6_5$   | $\mu = 0.34\text{ mm}^{-1}$              |
| $a = 9.4119(13)\text{ \AA}$                                     | $T = 293\text{ K}$                       |
| $c = 21.960(4)\text{ \AA}$                                      | $0.20 \times 0.20 \times 0.20\text{ mm}$ |
| $V = 1684.7(5)\text{ \AA}^3$                                    |  |

## Data collection

Rigaku Mercury2 CCD diffractometer  
Absorption correction: multi-scan (*CrystalClear*; Rigaku, 2005)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.935$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.935$

14287 measured reflections  
1977 independent reflections  
1941 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.038$

## Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.052$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.134$   
 $S = 1.11$   
1977 reflections  
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8 restraints

H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement  
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.53\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.25\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
Absolute structure: Flack (1983), 957 Friedel pairs  
Flack parameter: 0.03 (16)

**Table 1**  
Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ ).

| $D-\text{H}\cdots A$            | $D-\text{H}$ | $\text{H}\cdots A$ | $D\cdots A$ | $D-\text{H}\cdots A$ |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------|----------------------|
| N2—H2A $\cdots$ O3 <sup>i</sup> | 0.86         | 1.85               | 2.707 (5)   | 173                  |
| N1—H1A $\cdots$ O4              | 0.86         | 1.88               | 2.740 (7)   | 174                  |
| O1—H1 $\cdots$ O2 <sup>ii</sup> | 0.86 (2)     | 1.86 (6)           | 2.608 (7)   | 145 (9)              |

Symmetry codes: (i)  $x + 1, y, z$ ; (ii)  $y - 1, -x + y, z + \frac{1}{6}$ .

Data collection: *CrystalClear* (Rigaku, 2005); cell refinement: *CrystalClear*; data reduction: *CrystalClear*; 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*.

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### S1. Experimental

0.144 g (1 mmol) of 2-Trifluoromethyl-1*H*-benzimidazole was firstly dissolved in 30 ml me thanol, to which 0.1 g (1 mmol) of sulfuric acid was then added to afford the solution without any precipitation under stirring at the ambient temperature. Colourless blocks of the title compound were obtained by the slow evaporation of the above solution after 2 days in air.

The dielectric constant of the compound as a function of temperature indicates that the permittivity is basically temperature-independent ( $\epsilon = C/(T-T_0)$ ), suggesting that this compound is not ferroelectric or there may be no distinct phase transition occurring within the measured temperature within the measured temperature (below the melting point).

### S2. Refinement

H atoms were placed in calculated positions (N—H = 0.89 Å; C—H = 0.93 Å for  $Csp^2$  atoms and C—H = 0.96 Å and 0.97 Å for  $Csp^3$  atoms), assigned fixed  $U_{iso}$  values [ $U_{iso} = 1.2U_{eq}(Csp^2)$  and  $1.5U_{eq}(Csp^3, N)$ ] and allowed to ride. The H atom bonding with N was found with O—H bond distance of 0.8600 Å in the difference electron density map.

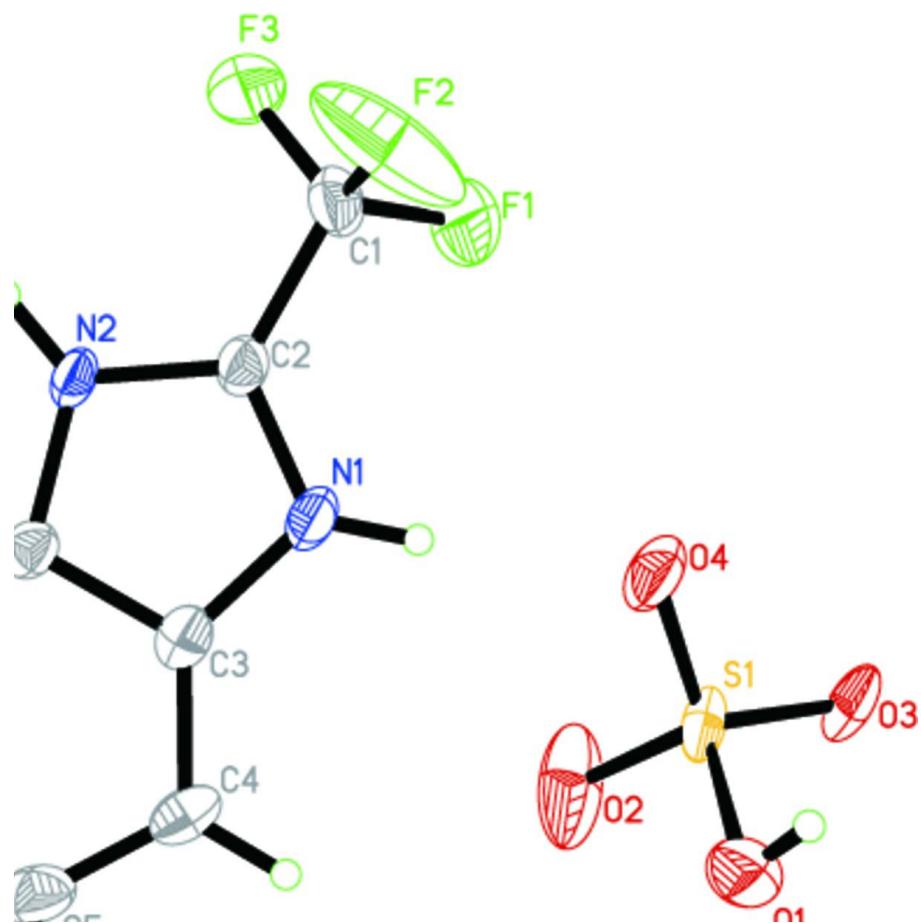
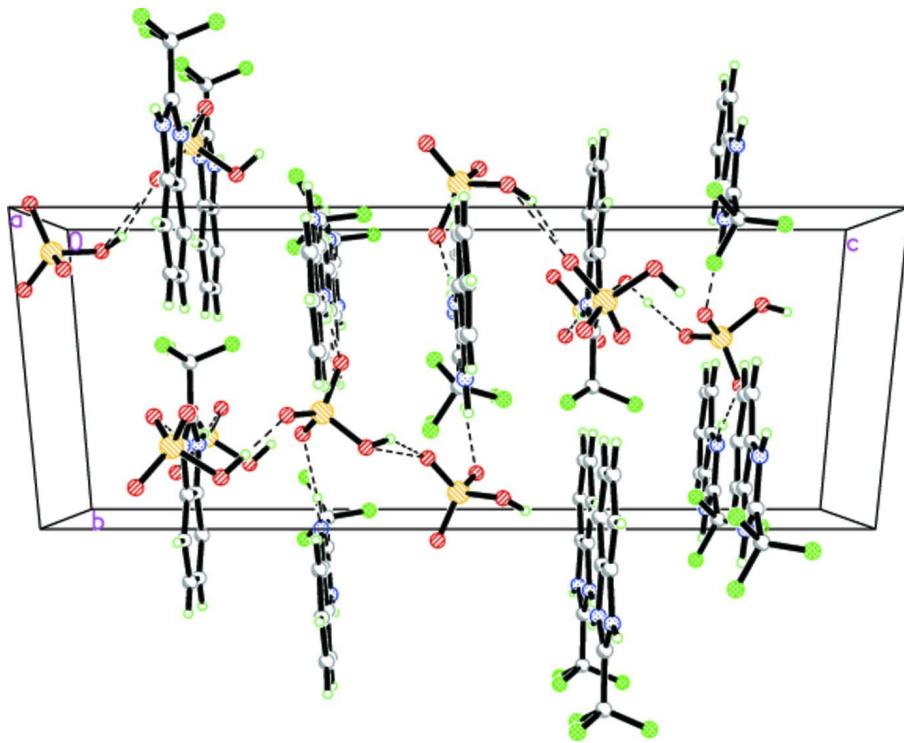


Figure 1

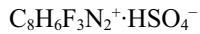
The molecular structure of the title compound, showing 30% probability displacement ellipsoids.

**Figure 2**

A view of the packing of the title compound, stacking along the  $a$  axis. Dashed lines indicate hydrogen bonds.

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$h = -11 \rightarrow 11$

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$l = -26 \rightarrow 26$

*Refinement*Refinement on  $F^2$ 

Least-squares matrix: full

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Primary atom site location: structure-invariant  
direct methodsSecondary atom site location: difference Fourier  
mapHydrogen site location: inferred from  
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and constrained refinement

$$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0593P)^2 + 1.9666P]$$
$$\text{where } P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$$

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

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*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 ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )*

|     | <i>x</i>     | <i>y</i>     | <i>z</i>     | $U_{\text{iso}}^* / U_{\text{eq}}$ |
|-----|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------------------------------|
| S1  | 0.09970 (14) | 0.72553 (17) | 0.16867 (6)  | 0.0442 (3)                         |
| N1  | 0.4873 (5)   | 0.7391 (5)   | 0.1735 (2)   | 0.0418 (9)                         |
| H1A | 0.3843       | 0.7058       | 0.1770       | 0.050*                             |
| N2  | 0.7169 (4)   | 0.7349 (5)   | 0.16388 (17) | 0.0348 (8)                         |
| H2A | 0.7835       | 0.6981       | 0.1596       | 0.042*                             |
| C3  | 0.6124 (6)   | 0.9017 (6)   | 0.1722 (2)   | 0.0418 (11)                        |
| C8  | 0.7613 (5)   | 0.9011 (6)   | 0.1675 (2)   | 0.0371 (10)                        |
| C4  | 0.6126 (7)   | 1.0512 (7)   | 0.1762 (3)   | 0.0508 (13)                        |
| H4  | 0.5152       | 1.0535       | 0.1792       | 0.061*                             |
| O3  | -0.0637 (4)  | 0.6347 (5)   | 0.14218 (18) | 0.0558 (11)                        |
| F3  | 0.5450 (5)   | 0.4034 (5)   | 0.1391 (3)   | 0.0928 (15)                        |
| C6  | 0.9082 (7)   | 1.1891 (7)   | 0.1712 (3)   | 0.0527 (13)                        |
| H6  | 1.0066       | 1.2883       | 0.1710       | 0.063*                             |
| O1  | 0.0866 (5)   | 0.8248 (5)   | 0.2230 (2)   | 0.0627 (11)                        |
| C5  | 0.7592 (8)   | 1.1907 (7)   | 0.1755 (3)   | 0.0589 (15)                        |
| H5  | 0.7623       | 1.2909       | 0.1780       | 0.071*                             |
| F1  | 0.3262 (5)   | 0.4077 (6)   | 0.1346 (3)   | 0.116 (2)                          |
| F2  | 0.4211 (10)  | 0.3991 (6)   | 0.2195 (2)   | 0.157 (3)                          |
| O4  | 0.1589 (5)   | 0.6207 (5)   | 0.19150 (19) | 0.0571 (11)                        |
| C7  | 0.9120 (6)   | 1.0455 (7)   | 0.1670 (3)   | 0.0456 (11)                        |
| H7  | 1.0103       | 1.0448       | 0.1641       | 0.055*                             |
| C1  | 0.4609 (6)   | 0.4596 (7)   | 0.1670 (3)   | 0.0520 (13)                        |
| O2  | 0.2184 (6)   | 0.8507 (9)   | 0.1300 (3)   | 0.110 (2)                          |

|    |            |            |            |            |
|----|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| C2 | 0.5531 (5) | 0.6434 (6) | 0.1683 (2) | 0.0373 (9) |
| H1 | 0.041 (10) | 0.754 (9)  | 0.251 (3)  | 0.10 (3)*  |

*Atomic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )*

|    | $U^{11}$    | $U^{22}$   | $U^{33}$   | $U^{12}$    | $U^{13}$     | $U^{23}$     |
|----|-------------|------------|------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| S1 | 0.0252 (5)  | 0.0626 (9) | 0.0458 (6) | 0.0227 (5)  | 0.0080 (5)   | 0.0144 (6)   |
| N1 | 0.0295 (19) | 0.051 (2)  | 0.051 (2)  | 0.0252 (19) | -0.0012 (18) | -0.0049 (19) |
| N2 | 0.0243 (17) | 0.044 (2)  | 0.040 (2)  | 0.0205 (16) | 0.0009 (16)  | -0.0062 (18) |
| C3 | 0.037 (2)   | 0.050 (3)  | 0.043 (3)  | 0.025 (2)   | 0.001 (2)    | -0.002 (2)   |
| C8 | 0.037 (2)   | 0.043 (3)  | 0.037 (2)  | 0.024 (2)   | -0.006 (2)   | -0.005 (2)   |
| C4 | 0.057 (3)   | 0.058 (3)  | 0.059 (3)  | 0.044 (3)   | -0.002 (3)   | 0.003 (3)    |
| O3 | 0.0362 (19) | 0.087 (3)  | 0.059 (2)  | 0.042 (2)   | -0.0057 (16) | -0.015 (2)   |
| F3 | 0.070 (2)   | 0.058 (2)  | 0.158 (4)  | 0.038 (2)   | 0.018 (3)    | -0.012 (3)   |
| C6 | 0.044 (3)   | 0.045 (3)  | 0.062 (3)  | 0.017 (2)   | 0.006 (3)    | 0.009 (3)    |
| O1 | 0.056 (3)   | 0.048 (2)  | 0.079 (3)  | 0.022 (2)   | -0.009 (2)   | -0.012 (2)   |
| C5 | 0.073 (4)   | 0.052 (3)  | 0.070 (4)  | 0.045 (3)   | -0.005 (3)   | 0.005 (3)    |
| F1 | 0.047 (2)   | 0.070 (3)  | 0.213 (6)  | 0.0161 (19) | -0.039 (3)   | -0.044 (3)   |
| F2 | 0.246 (6)   | 0.055 (3)  | 0.072 (3)  | 0.002 (3)   | 0.038 (4)    | 0.009 (2)    |
| O4 | 0.0403 (19) | 0.074 (3)  | 0.072 (3)  | 0.039 (2)   | 0.0007 (17)  | 0.007 (2)    |
| C7 | 0.030 (2)   | 0.055 (3)  | 0.050 (3)  | 0.020 (2)   | -0.002 (2)   | 0.003 (2)    |
| C1 | 0.036 (3)   | 0.043 (3)  | 0.067 (3)  | 0.012 (2)   | 0.014 (3)    | -0.001 (3)   |
| O2 | 0.057 (3)   | 0.155 (5)  | 0.108 (4)  | 0.045 (3)   | 0.032 (3)    | 0.093 (4)    |
| C2 | 0.030 (2)   | 0.040 (2)  | 0.042 (2)  | 0.0176 (19) | 0.0001 (19)  | -0.010 (2)   |

*Geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ )*

|          |           |          |           |
|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| S1—O2    | 1.429 (5) | C4—C5    | 1.348 (9) |
| S1—O4    | 1.444 (4) | C4—H4    | 0.9300    |
| S1—O3    | 1.456 (4) | F3—C1    | 1.304 (6) |
| S1—O1    | 1.558 (5) | C6—C7    | 1.373 (8) |
| N1—C2    | 1.329 (6) | C6—C5    | 1.414 (8) |
| N1—C3    | 1.388 (6) | C6—H6    | 0.9300    |
| N1—H1A   | 0.8600    | O1—H1    | 0.86 (2)  |
| N2—C2    | 1.341 (6) | C5—H5    | 0.9300    |
| N2—C8    | 1.405 (6) | F1—C1    | 1.317 (8) |
| N2—H2A   | 0.8600    | F2—C1    | 1.258 (8) |
| C3—C8    | 1.407 (6) | C7—H7    | 0.9300    |
| C3—C4    | 1.409 (7) | C1—C2    | 1.499 (7) |
| C8—C7    | 1.390 (7) |          |           |
| O2—S1—O4 | 111.1 (3) | C3—C4—H4 | 121.2     |
| O2—S1—O3 | 114.0 (3) | C7—C6—C5 | 122.0 (5) |
| O4—S1—O3 | 113.1 (3) | C7—C6—H6 | 119.0     |
| O2—S1—O1 | 103.0 (4) | C5—C6—H6 | 119.0     |
| O4—S1—O1 | 108.5 (3) | S1—O1—H1 | 104 (7)   |
| O3—S1—O1 | 106.3 (2) | C4—C5—C6 | 121.9 (5) |
| C2—N1—C3 | 108.6 (4) | C4—C5—H5 | 119.1     |

|           |           |          |           |
|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| C2—N1—H1A | 125.7     | C6—C5—H5 | 119.1     |
| C3—N1—H1A | 125.7     | C6—C7—C8 | 116.5 (4) |
| C2—N2—C8  | 108.5 (3) | C6—C7—H7 | 121.8     |
| C2—N2—H2A | 125.8     | C8—C7—H7 | 121.8     |
| C8—N2—H2A | 125.8     | F2—C1—F3 | 110.5 (7) |
| N1—C3—C8  | 107.2 (4) | F2—C1—F1 | 108.3 (6) |
| N1—C3—C4  | 132.5 (4) | F3—C1—F1 | 105.2 (5) |
| C8—C3—C4  | 120.3 (5) | F2—C1—C2 | 112.0 (5) |
| C7—C8—N2  | 132.7 (4) | F3—C1—C2 | 111.0 (4) |
| C7—C8—C3  | 121.9 (4) | F1—C1—C2 | 109.5 (5) |
| N2—C8—C3  | 105.4 (4) | N1—C2—N2 | 110.3 (4) |
| C5—C4—C3  | 117.5 (5) | N1—C2—C1 | 125.9 (4) |
| C5—C4—H4  | 121.2     | N2—C2—C1 | 123.8 (4) |

*Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)*

| D—H···A                  | D—H      | H···A    | D···A     | D—H···A |
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