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## *o*-Phenylenediamine Pyrocatechol Hemihydrate Complex

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#### Abstract

A well defined supramolecular structure,  $C_6H_8N_2$ .- $C_6H_6O_2.0.5H_2O$ , is generated by molecular recognition between pyrocatechol and *o*-phenylenediamine in the presence of water. They spontaneously self assemble through a unique network of hydrogen bonds around a twofold axis.

### Comment

The development of solid state structures which are able to exhibit new physical and chemical properties (Hanessian *et al.*, 1994) is the basis of crystal engineering. The self-assembling complementarity of diamine/diol motifs provides convincing evidence that the engineering of highly organized supramolecular structures based on molecular recognition can now be extended to include 'weak' hydrogen-bonding interactions. The X-ray structure analysis of the title compound, (I), supports this viewpoint.



The asymmetric unit consists of one molecule each of o-phenylenediamine, pyrocatechol and water. In the crystal, the water molecules lie on the twofold axis and they are linked to the pyrocatechol molecules through an O2— $H \cdot \cdot \cdot O3^{iii}$  hydrogen bond (Table 3 and Fig. 2). The diamine molecules are connected to the water molecules by O3-H···N2<sup>iv</sup> hydrogen bonds between O3 and N2<sup>iv</sup>. The diol and diamine molecules themselves are involved in N—H···O hydrogen bonds (N2···O1 and  $N1 \cdots O2^{i}$ ). This hydrogen-bonded network forms a supramolecular structure around the twofold axis. The neighbouring molecular assemblies are interlinked by O1-H1O1...N1<sup>ii</sup> hydrogen bonds. Due to the hydrogen bonding, both the N atoms and water O atoms exhibit full tetra-coordination. The hydrogen-bonded assembly in this structure is significantly different from the supramolecular helicate structures observed for the 1:1 complex of *trans*-1,2-diaminocyclohexane and (1S,2S)-trans-1,2-cyclohexanediol (Hanessian et al., 1994), which may be due to the presence of water molecules. The C-N, C-O and C-C lengths observed in this structure agree with the reported values (Allen et al., 1987). The dihedral angle between the mean planes through the diamine and diol moieties is  $25.87 (3)^{\circ}$ . The



Fig. 1. The structure of the title compound showing 50% probability displacement ellipsoids and the atom-numbering scheme.

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> 01 02 03 NI N2

CI C2 C3 C4

C5 C6 C7 C8 C9 C10 C11

C12

01-C12 02-C11

diamine and diol molecules translated one unit cell along the b direction are stacked stepwise without any  $\pi - \pi$ stacking interactions with minimum short contacts for  $C1 \cdots C4$  [3.662 (2) Å] and  $C7 \cdots C10$  [3.543 (2) Å].



Fig. 2. Hydrogen-bonding network viewed down the b axis.

#### **Experimental**

Single crystals were grown by slow evaporation of a 1:1 mixture of o-phenylenediamine and pyrocatechol in a chloroform and acetone solution.

#### Crystal data

$C_6H_8N_2.C_6H_6O_2.0.5H_2O$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$M_r = 227.26$	$\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ Å}$
Monoclinic	Cell parameters from 4441
P2/c	reflections
a = 9.0498(2) Å	$\theta = 1.31 - 33.1^{\circ}$
b = 5.2275(1) Å	$\mu = 0.091 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
c = 25.0771(2) Å	T = 293 (2)  K
$\beta = 97.71^{\circ}$	Thin plate
V = 1175.62 (4) Å <sup>3</sup>	$0.68 \times 0.44 \times 0.08$ mm
Z = 4	Colourless
$D_x = 1.284 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$	
$D_m$ not measured	

#### Data collection Siemens SMART diffrac-

tometer with CCD area detector  $\omega$  scans

2016 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$  $R_{\rm int} = 0.024$  $\theta_{\rm max} = 27.50^{\circ}$ 

Absorption correction: none  $h = -11 \rightarrow 11$ 7110 measured reflections  $k = 0 \rightarrow 6$ 2692 independent reflections  $l = 0 \rightarrow 32$ 

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.041$	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.158 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
$wR(F^2) = 0.107$	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.113 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
S = 1.057	Extinction correction:
2692 reflections	SHELXTL
211 parameters	Extinction coefficient:
All H-atom parameters	0.011 (2)
refined	Scattering factors from
$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0391P)^2]$	International Tables for
+ 0.1889 <i>P</i> ]	Crystallography (Vol. C)
where $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$	

## Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters $(Å^2)$

$$U_{\rm eq} = (1/3) \sum_i \sum_j U^{ij} a^i a^j \mathbf{a}_i \cdot \mathbf{a}_j.$$

х	y	τ	$U_{eq}$
0.14028 (13)	0.3317 (3)	0.79384 (4)	0.0751 (4)
0.31302 (14)	0.7177 (2)	0.77498 (4)	0.0699 (4)
1/2	0.0847 (3)	3/4	0.0541 (4)
0.0534 (2)	-0.0708(3)	0.68937 (5)	0.0558 (3)
0.2664 (2)	0.3174 (3)	0.68079 (6)	0.0621 (4)
0.0724 (2)	-0.1942 (3)	0.59639 (6)	0.0556 (4)
0.11620 (13)	-0.0389 (3)	0.64043 (5)	0.0445 (3)
0.21536 (14)	0.1617 (3)	0.63568 (5)	0.0477 (3)
0.2681 (2)	0.1981 (3)	0.58642 (7)	0.0621 (4)
0.2229 (2)	0.0411 (4)	0.54290 (7)	0.0682 (5)
0.1247 (2)	-0.1550 (4)	0.54779 (6)	0.0650 (4)
0.2357 (2)	0.3374 (3)	0.88909 (6)	0.0540 (4)
0.3270 (2)	0.4523 (4)	0.93123 (6)	0.0633 (4)
0.4149 (2)	0.6565 (4)	0.92126 (6)	0.0639 (4)
0.4133 (2)	0.7475 (3)	0.86931 (6)	0.0544 (4)
0.32189 (14)	0.6346 (3)	0.82708 (5)	0.0473 (3)
0.23165 (14)	0.4281 (3)	0.83721 (5)	0.0478 (3)

#### Table 2. Selected bond lengths (Å)

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1.371 (2)	N1—C2	1.430 (2)
1.369 (2)	N2—C3	1.419 (2)

### Table 3. Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °)

D—H···A	D—H	H	$D \to A$	D—H →A
N2—H1N2····O1	0.93 (3)	2.33 (2)	3.196(2)	154 (2)
$N1 - H2N1 - O2^{1}$	0.88(2)	2.36 (2)	3.162(2)	150(2)
$01$ -H $101$ ···N $1^{u}$	0.92(2)	1.90 (2)	2.806(2)	169(2)
O2—H1O2 O3 <sup>iii</sup>	0.90(2)	1.80(2)	2.687(2)	168 (2)
O3—H1O3 N2 <sup>IV</sup>	0.89(2)	1.95 (2)	2.824(2)	164 (2)
Symmetry codes: (i)	x, y = 1, z; 0	(ii) $-x, y, \frac{3}{2}$	-z; (iii) x,	1 + y, z; (iv)
$1 - x, y, \frac{3}{2} - z.$				

The data collection covered over a hemisphere of reciprocal space by a combination of three sets of exposures; each set had a different  $\varphi$  angle (0, 88 and 180°) for the crystal and each exposure of 30 s covered  $0.3^{\circ}$  in  $\omega$ . The crystal-to-detector distance was 4 cm and the detector swing angle was  $-35^{\circ}$ . Coverage of the unique set is over 99% complete. Crystal decay was monitored by repeating thirty initial frames at the end of data collection and analysing the duplicate reflections. It was found to be negligible.

The structure was solved by direct methods and refined by full-matrix least-squares techniques. All H atoms were located from a difference Fourier map and refined isotropically.

Data collection: SMART (Siemens, 1996a). Cell refinement: SAINT (Siemens, 1996b). Data reduction: SAINT. Program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 1996). Program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXTL*. Molecular graphics: *SHELXTL*. Software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*, *PARST* (Nardelli, 1995).

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# Fibleucin from *Fibraurea chloroleuca* Miers

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#### Abstract

In the title compound, 9-(3-furyl)-1,4,4a,5,9,10,10a,10boctahydro-4-hydroxy-4a,10a-dimethyl-1,4-etheno-3H,7*H*benzo[1,2-*c*:3,4-*c'*]dipyran-3,7-dione, C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>6</sub>, the pyran ring adopts a conformation intermediate between sofa and half-chair. All other six-membered rings are in the boat conformation. The furan ring is planar and is equatorially attached. The crystal structure is stabilized by  $O - H \cdots O$  and  $C - H \cdots O$  intermolecular hydrogen bonds.

#### Comment

The title compound, (I), was first isolated from the plant *Fibraurea chloroleuca* Miers and identified by Ito & Furukawa (1969). It had been located in a crude methanol extract a few years earlier and it was found to possess antitumour and antifungal activity (Nakanishi *et al.*, 1965). The present X-ray structure determination was carried out in order to elucidate the molecular conformation.



Most of the bond lengths and angles in the structure agree with those observed in the epoxy derivative of this compound, (-)-fibraurin (Dampawan *et al.*, 1986). The fused rings, A and B, and the six-membered rings, D and E, formed by the lactone bridge, all adopt the boat conformation. Ring C is in a conformation which is intermediate between half-chair and sofa,



Fig. 1. The structure of the title compound, showing 30% probability displacement ellipsoids and the atom-numbering scheme.

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