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# Two-component molecular crystals composed of chloronitrobenzoic acids and 4-aminopyridine

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The crystal structures of the four isomeric organic salts 4-aminopyridinium 2-chloro-4-nitrobenzoate, (I), 4-aminopyridinium 2-chloro-5-nitrobenzoate, (II), 4-aminopyridinium 5-chloro-2-nitrobenzoate, (III), and 4-aminopyridinium 4-chloro-2-nitrobenzoate, (IV), all  $C_5H_7N_2^+ \cdot C_7H_3ClNO_4^-$ , are presented. Compound (I) has one intramolecular hydrogen bond, one intermolecular  $C-H\cdots O$  hydrogen bond and  $\pi-\pi$ -stacking interactions. Compound (II) has  $N-H\cdots O$ ,  $C-H\cdots O$  and  $C-H\cdots Cl$  hydrogen bonds, and  $Cl\cdots O-C$  electrostatic interactions. Compound (III) has  $N-H\cdots O$  and  $C-H\cdots O$  hydrogen bonds. Compound (IV) has a  $\pi-\pi$ -stacking interaction, but no  $C-H\cdots O$  hydrogen bonds.

# Comment

We have been interested in the preparation and uses of twocomponent molecular crystals (Koshima, Ding *et al.*, 1996; Koshima, Wang *et al.*, 1996). In order to predict packing modes in such systems and to design specific crystal structures, we have studied how the weaker intermolecular interactions, such as aromatic  $\pi$ - $\pi$ -stacking interactions and C-H···O hydrogen bonding, affect packing modes in molecular crystals



(Sugiyama, Meng, Wen *et al.*, 2002). In this paper, we describe the syntheses and structures of four different two-component molecular crystals, (I)–(IV), comprising 4-aminopyridine, (1), with four isomers of chloronitrobenzoic acid, (2)–(5), and we report their packing modes, which exhibit many of the intermolecular interactions described above.



Figure 1

A view of the molecule of (I) with the atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level and H atoms are shown as small spheres of arbitrary radii.

X-ray analysis of the four single crystals confirmed that the ratio of acid to base is 1:1, and the molecular pairs are connected through  $\text{COO}^-\cdots\text{HN}^+$  hydrogen bonds, with the transfer of an H atom, to form the salt in all cases. We were interested in seeing whether any of the products crystallized in chiral space groups, since (1) itself is known to crystallize in space group  $P2_12_12_1$  (Sugiyama, Meng & Matsuura, 2002). However, all four salts were found to crystallize in achiral space groups.

For (I) (space group *Pbca*), there is an intramolecular hydrogen bond (Fig. 1 and Table 1), which occurs only in (I). An intermolecular  $C-H\cdots O$  hydrogen bond links the two-





The crystal structure of (I) viewed along the a axis. Hydrogen bonds are indicated by broken lines and distances are in Å.



#### Figure 3

A view of the molecule of (II) with the atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level and H atoms are shown as small spheres of arbitrary radii.



Figure 4

The planar structure of (II) viewed along the *b* axis. Hydrogen bonds and electrostatic interactions are indicated by broken lines, and distances are in Å.

dimensional (001) sheets formed by hard hydrogen bonds. Furthermore, (I) exhibits  $\pi$ - $\pi$ -stacking interactions, in which neighbouring benzoate aromatic rings are stacked with an interplanar separation of 3.39 Å (Fig. 2).

Compound (II), which crystallizes in space group  $P2_1/n$ (Fig. 3), forms a planar network through a variety of hydrogen bonds (Table 2). In this network, there are, in addition to N— H···O hydrogen bonds, two kinds of C—H···O hydrogen bonds and a single C—H···Cl hydrogen bond, although this last type is not as common as the C—H···O type (Fig. 4). Besides these hydrogen bonds, an additional feature of (II) is the presence of a Cl1···O1—C6 electrostatic interaction (Cl···O 3.20 Å), forming a centrosymmetric ring. Each (010) sheet is connected to a neighbouring sheet along [010] through



#### Figure 5

The crystal structure of (II) viewed along the a axis. Hydrogen bonds and electrostatic interactions are indicated by broken lines, and distances are in Å.



Figure 6

A view of the molecule of (III) with the atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level and H atoms are shown as small hatched spheres of arbitrary radii.

a Cl1 $\cdots$ O3 electrostatic interaction (Cl $\cdots$ O 3.22 Å) (Fig. 5).

The molecular structure of (III), which crystallizes in space group  $P2_1/c$ , is shown in Fig. 6. Compound (III) forms (100) sheets, in which the components are linked by both hard and soft hydrogen bonds (Table 3); the soft hydrogen bonds alone generate a chain along [001] (Fig. 7).

In the crystal structure of (IV) (C2/c; Fig. 8 and Table 4), there are no C-H···O hydrogen bonds, but the (100)



#### Figure 7

The crystal structure of (III) viewed along the b axis. Hydrogen bonds are indicated by broken lines and distances are in Å.



#### Figure 8

A view of the molecule of (IV) with the atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level and H atoms are shown as small spheres of arbitrary radii.



#### Figure 9

The crystal structure of (IV) viewed along the b axis. Hydrogen bonds are indicated by broken lines and distances are in Å.

hydrogen-bonded sheets are linked by a  $\pi$ - $\pi$ -stacking interaction in which two benzoate aromatic rings have an interplanar separation of 3.41 Å (Fig. 9).

We have found that many of the two-component molecular crystals formed by chloronitrobenzoic acids with organic bases crystallize to give good single crystals suitable for X-ray crystallographic analysis more easily than the corresponding series of two-component molecular crystals formed by the non-chlorinated nitrobenzoic acids with organic bases (Sugiyama, Meng et al., 2002). Thus, the Cl atoms may play a space-filling role in the crystallization process.

We also found that the  $C-H \cdots O$  hydrogen bonds involving the O atom of the nitro group, with a large  $\beta$  value (Kamlet et al., 1983), played a significant role in determining the packing modes in this study, although it has been reported that nitro groups are not used as hydrogen-bond acceptors (Etter & Panunto, 1988).

# **Experimental**

The title salts, (I)–(IV), were prepared by spontaneous crystallization from solutions of the respective individual components in methanolacetonitrile (1:1) for (I), acetonitrile for (II) and (IV), and methanol for (III). In spite of many attempts, we only obtained separate crystals of the acid and base components when trying to prepare the salt of 4-aminopyridine and 4-chloro-3-nitrobenzoic acid. Solid-state IR spectra were recorded as KBr discs on a PYE UNICAM SP-300 IR spectrophotometer. Elemental analyses were carried out with a Yanako CHN Corder MT-3. Melting points were determined using differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) on a NETZSCH DSC 204. All non-covalent bonds were calculated using PLATON (Spek, 1990).

Analysis for (I): m.p. 424 K; IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3333 (br), 3164, 3099, 2551 (br), 2001 (br), 1661, 1608, 1577, 1534, 1381, 1352, 1196, 1121, 1047, 895, 817, 754; analysis calculated for C12H10ClN3O4: C 48.8, H 3.4, N 14.2%; found: C 48.6, H 3.3, N 14.0%.

Analysis for (II): m.p. 437 K; IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3411, 3168, 2500 (br), 2072 (br), 1657, 1643, 1588, 1525, 1403, 1357, 1196, 1159, 1045, 912, 837, 740; analysis calculated for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>10</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C 48.8, H 3.4, N 14.2%; found: C 48.6, H 3.6, N 14.2%.

Analysis for (III): m.p. 431 K; IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3319 (br), 3198, 3097, 2667, 2362 (br), 1662, 1626, 1563, 1530, 1385, 1361, 1337, 1196, 1147, 1055, 898, 832, 791, 761; analysis calculated for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>10</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C 48.8, H 3.4, N 14.2%; found: C 48.6, H 3.4, N 14.1%.

Analysis for (IV): m.p. 417 K; IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3320 (br), 3104 (br), 2651 (br), 2041 (br), 1961 (br), 1659, 1590, 1563, 1530, 1372, 1278, 1195, 1143, 1102, 1045, 889, 874, 821; analysis calculated for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>10</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C 48.8, H 3.4, N 14.2%; found: C 48.8, H 3.4, N 14.3%.

### Compound (I)

Crystal data

$C_5H_7N_2^+ \cdot C_7H_3CINO_4^-$	$D_x = 1.520 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$M_r = 295.68$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Orthorhombic, Pbca	Cell parameters from 90 reflections
a = 9.923 (3) Å	$\theta = 2.3 - 24.5^{\circ}$
b = 9.527 (3)  Å	$\mu = 0.31 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
c = 27.337(7)  Å	T = 293 (2) K
$V = 2584.5 (12) \text{ Å}^3$	Prism, colourless
Z = 8	$0.30 \times 0.25 \times 0.20 \text{ mm}$

2288 independent reflections

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.071$ 

 $h = -11 \rightarrow 11$  $k = -11 \rightarrow 9$ 

 $l = -27 \rightarrow 32$ 

 $\theta_{\rm max} = 25^\circ$ 

1249 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

#### Data collection

Bruker CCD area-detector
diffractometer
$\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans
Absorption correction: multi-scan
(SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)
$T_{\rm min} = 0.912, \ T_{\rm max} = 0.940$
10 028 measured reflections

#### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	H-atom parameters constrained
R(F) = 0.040	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.07P)^2]$
$vR(F^2) = 0.137$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 0.96	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$
2288 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.19 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
81 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.26 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

# Table 1

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °) for (I).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
N1−H1 <i>B</i> ···O2	0.86	2.08	2.915 (4)	165
$N1 - H1A \cdots O2^{i}$	0.86	2.16	2.961 (4)	155
$N2 - H2B \cdots O1^{ii}$	0.86	1.84	2.699 (3)	178
$C3-H3A\cdots O4^{iii}$	0.93	2.64	3.434 (5)	144
$C12 - H12A \cdots O1$	0.93	2.39	2.729 (4)	101

Symmetry codes: (i)  $\frac{3}{2} - x$ ,  $\frac{1}{2} + y$ , z; (ii)  $\frac{1}{2} + x$ , y,  $\frac{1}{2} - z$ ; (iii)  $\frac{3}{2} - x$ , -y,  $z - \frac{1}{2}$ .

H atoms treated by a mixture of

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

refinement

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

 $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.24 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ 

 $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.30 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ 

independent and constrained

#### Compound (II)

#### Crystal data

 $C_5H_7N_2^+ \cdot C_7H_3CINO_4^ M_r = 295.68$ Monoclinic,  $P2_1/n$ a = 12.624 (4) Å b = 7.270(2) Å c = 14.023 (5) Å  $\beta = 96.329(5)^{\circ}$ V = 1279.1 (7) Å<sup>3</sup> Z = 4

#### Data collection

2256 independent reflections
1660 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
$R_{\rm int} = 0.023$
$\theta_{\rm max} = 25^{\circ}$
$h = -14 \rightarrow 15$
$k = -8 \rightarrow 4$
$l = -16 \rightarrow 16$

 $D_x = 1.535 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ 

Cell parameters from 74 reflections

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation

 $\theta = 2.6 - 27.5^{\circ}$  $\mu = 0.32 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ 

T = 293 (2) K

Prism, colourless

 $0.35 \times 0.30 \times 0.25 \text{ mm}$ 

 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.05P)^2$ 

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

+ 0.08P]

 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.026$  $\Delta \rho_{\text{max}} = 0.15 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ 

 $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.23 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$ 

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$ R(F) = 0.034 $wR(F^2) = 0.093$ S=1.022256 reflections 193 parameters H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement

### Table 2

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å,  $^{\circ}$ ) for (II).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
$N1-H1\cdots O1^i$	0.892 (10)	2.115 (10)	3.006 (3)	177 (2)
$N1 - H2 \cdot \cdot \cdot O3^{ii}$	0.894 (10)	2.241 (12)	3.113 (2)	165 (2)
$N2-H3\cdots O2$	0.920 (10)	1.751 (11)	2.665 (2)	172 (2)
$C5-H5A\cdots O4^{ii}$	0.93	2.59	3.491 (3)	163
$C3-H3A\cdots O2^{iii}$	0.93	2.50	3.271 (3)	141
$C4-H4A\cdots Cl1^{iv}$	0.93	2.90	3.651 (2)	139
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Symmetry codes: (i)  $x - \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} - y, z - \frac{1}{2}$ , (ii) x, y, z - 1; (iii) 1 - x, -y, -z; (iv)  $2-x,\,-y,\,-z.$ 

## **Compound (III)**

#### Crystal data

$C_5H_7N_2^+ \cdot C_7H_3CINO_4^-$	$D_x = 1.533 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$M_r = 295.68$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$	Cell parameters from 1254
a = 12.219 (6) Å	reflections
b = 8.488 (4) Å	$\theta = 3.0{-}30.0^{\circ}$
c = 13.368 (6) Å	$\mu = 0.32 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\beta = 112.467 (9)^{\circ}$	T = 293 (2)  K
$V = 1281.1 (10) \text{ Å}^3$	Prism, colourless
Z = 4	$0.30 \times 0.25 \times 0.20 \text{ mm}$
Data collection	
Bruker CCD area-detector	2255 independent reflections
diffractometer	1174 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
$\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans	$R_{\rm int} = 0.069$
Absorption correction: multi-scan	$\theta_{\rm max} = 25^{\circ}$
(SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)	$h = -14 \rightarrow 10$
$T_{\min} = 0.911, T_{\max} = 0.940$	$k = -10 \rightarrow 9$
5126 measured reflections	$l = -10 \rightarrow 15$

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

$D - H \cdots A$	$D-\mathrm{H}$	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
$N3-H2\cdots O1^i$	0.82 (4)	2.10 (4)	2.925 (5)	178 (4)
$N2-H1\cdots O1$	0.76 (4)	2.10(4)	2.781 (5)	150 (4)
N3-H3···O2 <sup>ii</sup>	0.94 (4)	2.00(4)	2.928 (5)	171 (4)
$C3-H3A\cdots O4^{iii}$	0.93	2.54	3.414 (5)	156
$C12-H12A\cdots O3^{iii}$	0.93	2.52	3.424 (5)	163

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

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$ R(F) = 0.049 $wR(F^2) = 0.146$ S = 0.982255 reflections 193 parameters

## Compound (IV)

# Crystal data

$C_5H_7N_2^+ \cdot C_7H_3CINO_4^-$	$D_x = 1.499 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$M_r = 295.68$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Monoclinic, $C2/c$	Cell parameters from 80 reflections
a = 25.608 (19)  Å	$\theta = 2.5 - 23.5^{\circ}$
b = 8.475 (6) Å	$\mu = 0.31 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
c = 12.433 (10) Å	T = 293 (2) K
$\beta = 103.749 \ (14)^{\circ}$	Prism, colourless
$V = 2621 (3) \text{ Å}^3$	$0.30 \times 0.25 \times 0.20$ mm
Z = 8	

#### Data collection

Bruker CCD area-detector	2308 independent reflections
diffractometer	1579 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
$\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans	$R_{\rm int} = 0.028$
Absorption correction: multi-scan	$\theta_{\rm max} = 25^{\circ}$
(SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)	$h = -30 \rightarrow 26$
$T_{\min} = 0.913, T_{\max} = 0.941$	$k = -10 \rightarrow 9$
5262 measured reflections	$l = -14 \rightarrow 12$

#### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0586P)^2]$
R(F) = 0.037	+ 1.1026P]
$wR(F^2) = 0.120$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 1.04	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$
2308 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.23 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
194 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.25 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
H atoms treated by a mixture of	Extinction correction: SHELXL97
independent and constrained	(Sheldrick, 1997)
refinement	Extinction coefficient: 0.0061 (7)

All H atoms in (I) were constrained. In (II)-(IV), H atoms on N were refined freely. In all four compounds, H atoms which were not

# Table 4

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °) for (IV).

$D-\mathrm{H}\cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
N1-H1···O2	0.93 (3)	1.79 (3)	2.694 (3)	164 (3)
$N2-H22\cdots O1^{i}$	0.80(3)	2.10 (3)	2.891 (4)	172 (3)
$N2-H21\cdots O1^{ii}$	0.95 (3)	1.99 (3)	2.931 (4)	169 (3)

Symmetry codes: (i)  $x, 2 - y, z - \frac{1}{2}$ ; (ii)  $\frac{3}{2} - x, \frac{1}{2} + y, \frac{3}{2} - z$ .

refined were treated as riding atoms, with C–H = 0.93 Å and N–H = 0.86 Å.

For all compounds, data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 1998); cell refinement: *SMART*; data reduction: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 1998); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL*; software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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