

## DL-Piperidine-2-carboxylic acid

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## Key indicators

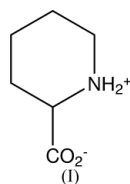
Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 173$  K  
Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.002$  Å  
 $R$  factor = 0.035  
 $wR$  factor = 0.128  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 18.2

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A chair conformation is found for zwitterionic DL-piperidinium-2-carboxylate,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_2$ . Hydrogen-bonding interactions involving the carboxylate groups and ammonium H atoms give rise to a two-dimensional structure comprised of interconnected 12-membered rings.

## Comment

The title molecule, (I), exists as a zwitterion [ $\text{C21}-\text{O21} = 1.2508(15)$  Å and  $\text{C21}-\text{O22} = 1.2468(15)$  Å] and adopts a chair conformation with the carboxylate occupying an equatorial position. The molecular structure is consistent with that found for the tetrahydrate (Bhattacharjee & Chacko, 1979) but features a different packing arrangement.



As shown in Fig. 1, two centrosymmetrically related carboxylate residues are linked by two ammonium cations, leading to the formation of 12-membered rings. As each molecule is involved in two donor and two acceptor hydrogen-bonding interactions that extend in the  $b$  and  $c$  directions, a two-dimensional network is formed. Layers stack along the  $a$  axis via hydrophobic interactions.

## Experimental

Crystals were obtained by the vapour diffusion of diethyl ether into an ethanol/benzene (5:1  $v/v$ ) solution of commercial DL-piperidine-2-carboxylic acid (Sigma).

## Crystal data

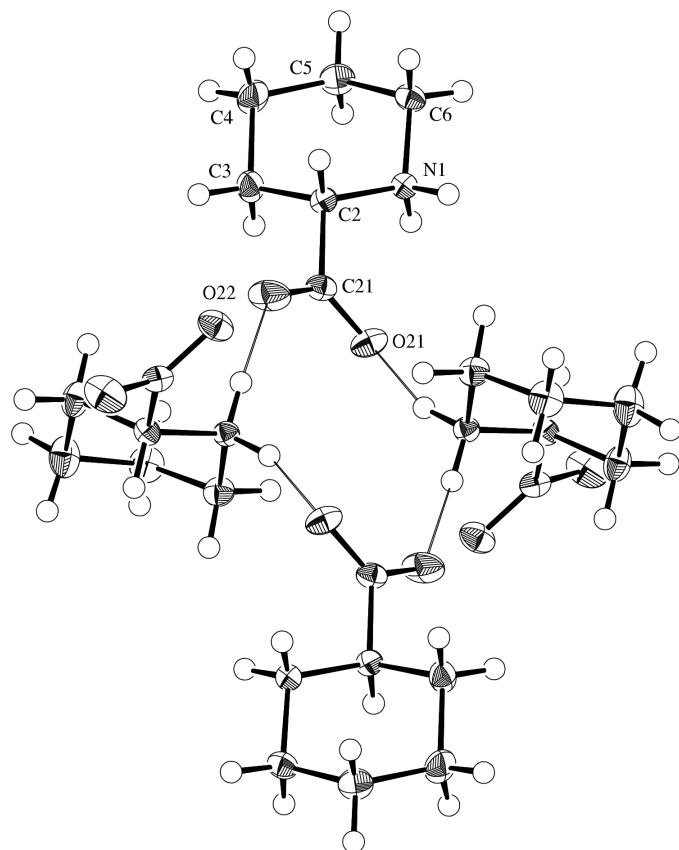
$\text{C}_6\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_2$   
 $M_r = 129.16$   
Monoclinic,  $P2_1/c$   
 $a = 11.148(3)$  Å  
 $b = 5.822(2)$  Å  
 $c = 10.813(4)$  Å  
 $\beta = 110.39(2)^\circ$   
 $V = 657.8(4)$  Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 4$

$D_x = 1.304$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>  
Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
Cell parameters from 14  
reflections  
 $\theta = 7.4\text{--}12.1^\circ$   
 $\mu = 0.10$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 173(1)$  K  
Block, colourless  
 $0.3 \times 0.2 \times 0.1$  mm

## Data collection

Rigaku AFC-7R diffractometer  
 $\omega$ - $2\theta$  scans  
3323 measured reflections  
1513 independent reflections  
1191 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.018$   
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.5^\circ$

$h = -14 \rightarrow 14$   
 $k = -7 \rightarrow 0$   
 $l = -14 \rightarrow 13$   
3 standard reflections  
every 400 reflections  
intensity decay: 0.7%



**Figure 1**  
The molecular structure, crystallographic numbering scheme and hydrogen-bonding scheme for (I). Displacement ellipsoids are shown at the 50% probability level.

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R(F) = 0.035$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.128$   
 $S = 0.98$   
 1513 reflections  
 83 parameters

H-atom parameters not refined  
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.1P)^2]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.24 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.19 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

Data collection: *MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software* (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1996); cell refinement: *MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software*; data reduction: *TEXSAN* (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1997); program(s) used to solve structure: *SIR92* (Altomare *et al.*, 1994); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEPII* (Johnson, 1976); software used to prepare material for publication: *TEXSAN*.

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