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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
 $T = 293\text{ K}$
Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.012\text{ \AA}$
Disorder in solvent or counterion
 R factor = 0.062
 wR factor = 0.190
Data-to-parameter ratio = 10.8For details of how these key indicators were
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L-Lysine L-lysinium dichloride nitrate

In the title compound, $2\text{C}_6\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2^+\cdot\text{H}^+\cdot\text{NO}_3^-\cdot 2\text{Cl}^-$, both the monoprotonated lysinium molecules are bonded through a strong, nearly symmetric, $\text{O}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$ hydrogen bond forming a dimer. The $\text{O}\cdots\text{O}$ distance is $2.425(8)\text{ \AA}$. Molecule I is engaged in a zigzag (Z1) head-to-tail sequence. Both chloride anions link molecules I and II through the α - and ε -amino groups in an infinite chain along the a axis. The nitrate ion shows orientational disorder.

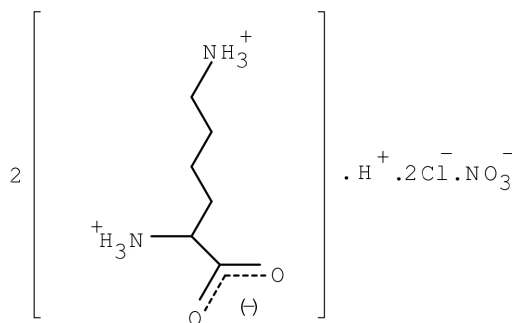
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Comment

Lysine is the one of the four amino acids having basic side chains. The crystal structure of L-lysine monohydrochloride dihydrate (Wright & Marsh, 1962; Koetzle *et al.*, 1972), L-lysine sulfate (Capasso *et al.*, 1983), L-lysine semimaleate (Pratap *et al.*, 2000) and hydrogen bis[L-lysinium(+)] dichloride perchlorate (Srinivasan *et al.*, 2001) have been reported. The crystal structure of lysine hydrochloride reacted with nitric acid, (I), was undertaken to study the effects of hydrogen bonding due to the presence of inorganic acids.



(I)

A pseudo-non-crystallographic twofold axis is observed near $(\frac{1}{4}, y, 0.41)$ for both the chloride anions and lysinium cations (Fig. 1). The N atom of the nitrate group lies on this pseudo-twofold axis. The existence of pseudosymmetry is responsible for two possible orientation of the nitrate O atom and hence the large deviation from the nearly trigonal symmetry.

The asymmetric unit contains two crystallographically independent lysinium residues (I and II). The lysinium cations are characterized by two planar configurations, *viz.* the carboxylate group and the aliphatic side chain terminating at the ε -amino group. The straight chain conformation angle ψ^1 is $-6.1(8)$ and $-0.1(9)^\circ$ for lysinium residues I and II, respectively. This tendency of twisting of the C—N bond is found in various amino acids (Lakshminarayan *et al.*, 1967).

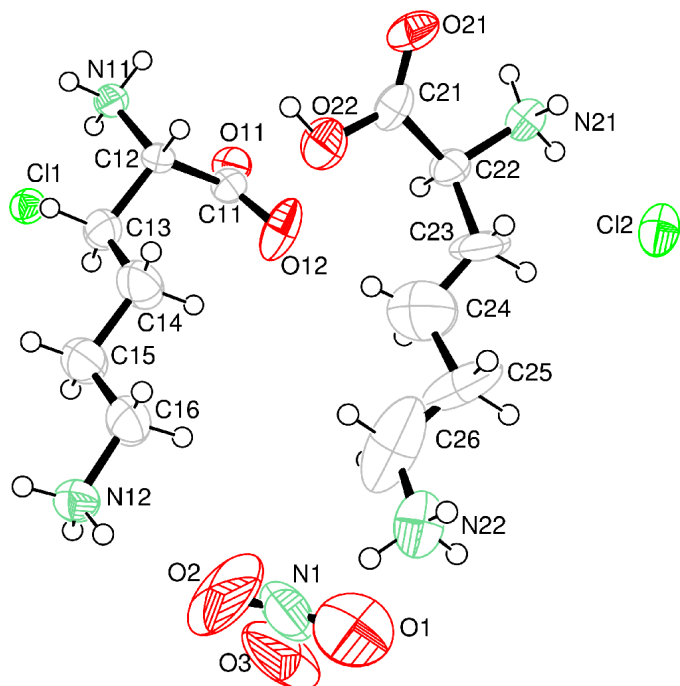


Figure 1
The molecular structure of (I) with the atom-numbering scheme and 50% probability displacement ellipsoids (Johnson, 1976).

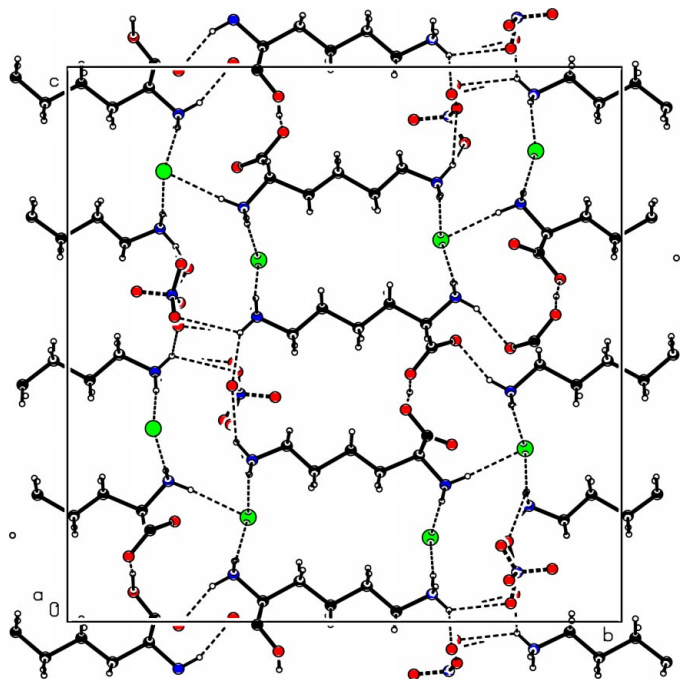


Figure 2
Packing diagram of (I) viewed down the *a* axis.

The average value of the four C—C—C angles for both molecules I and II are 112.4 (6) and 113.3 (11)°, significantly greater than the tetrahedral value. However, the angles C^α—C^β—C^γ, 113.1 (6) and 120.5 (11)° for the molecules I and II, are appreciably larger than the other three. The widening of this angle might be due to the steric effect of an atom

hydrogen bonded to the NH₃⁺ group, also found in other amino acids and peptides (Leung & Marsh, 1958). Molecules I and II have a fully extended side-chain conformation [$\chi^1 = -167.4$ (9) and -168.7 (15)°, $\chi^2 = -178.3$ (9) and -174.6 (12)°, $\chi^3 = 175.1$ (11) and 174.1 (17)°, and $\chi^4 = -178.0$ (9) and 174.3 (14)°, respectively].

Both the lysinium molecules (I and II) are cationic, with ϵ -amino groups accepting an H atom. The two lysinium molecules are bonded with a strong O—H···O hydrogen bond [O22···O12 2.425 (8) Å]. The equality of the C—O distances of molecules I and II within significant limits [1.223 (7) and 1.217 (9) Å, and 1.267 (8) and 1.274 (9) Å] suggests that the hydrogen linking I and II is equally shared by I and II. Hence, this hydrogen bond may be termed a symmetric hydrogen bond, since the two cations are related by non-crystallographic pseudo-twofold symmetry and the H atom is on the pseudo-axis. The O12—H2 and O22—H2 distances [1.06 (11) and 1.38 (11) Å] are nearly equal within significant limits. Hence, the symmetric hydrogen-bonded lysinium dimer thus formed carries a net positive charge, as found in L-phenylalanine L-phenylalaninium perchlorate (Srinivasan & Rajaram, 1997).

A zigzag (Z1) head-to-tail sequence is present in molecule I, since the N11—H11A···O11($\frac{1}{2} + x, \frac{3}{2} - y, 1 - z$) bond connects two 2₁-related amino acids (Vijayan, 1988). But in the case of lysinium molecule II, the α -amino group has hydrogen bonds with chloride anions only. The chloride anion (Cl1) links the α -amino nitrogen of lysinium molecule I through a hydrogen bond in an infinite chain running along the *a* axis and chloride anion Cl2 links the ϵ -amino nitrogen in an infinite chain along the *a* axis. Similarly, in lysinium molecule II, the α -N atom is linked by chloride anion Cl2 through a hydrogen bond in an infinite chain along the *a* axis and the ϵ -amino nitrogen is linked by chloride anion Cl1 in an infinite chain along the *a* axis. Besides this, the nitrate anion links the ϵ -amino N atoms of both molecules I and II.

As shown in Fig. 2, the two hydrophilic layers about the $y = \frac{1}{4}$ plane are connected by hydrogen bonds involving nitrate and chloride anions. The aggregation of the hydrophilic double layers is interspersed by the hydrophobic side chain across the $y = \frac{1}{2}$ plane.

Experimental

The title compound was crystallized from an aqueous solution of a 2:1 stoichiometric ratio of L-lysine hydrochloride and nitric acid by slow evaporation.

Crystal data

2C₆H₁₅N₂O₂⁺·H⁺·NO₃⁻·2Cl⁻
M_r = 428.32
 Orthorhombic, *P*2₁2₁2₁
a = 4.9846 (2) Å
b = 20.604 (2) Å
c = 20.663 (2) Å
V = 2122.1 (3) Å³
Z = 4
D_x = 1.341 Mg m⁻³
D_m = 1.333 Mg m⁻³

D_m measured by flotation
 Mo *K*α radiation
 Cell parameters from 20 reflections
 $\theta = 10.2$ – 14.3°
 $\mu = 0.35$ mm⁻¹
T = 293 (2) K
 Needle, colorless
 0.5 × 0.3 × 0.3 mm

Data collection

Enraf–Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.046$
ω -2 θ scans	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.0^\circ$
Absorption correction: ψ scan (North <i>et al.</i> , 1968)	$h = -1 \rightarrow 5$
$T_{\text{min}} = 0.883$, $T_{\text{max}} = 0.901$	$k = -2 \rightarrow 24$
3313 measured reflections	$l = -2 \rightarrow 24$
2910 independent reflections	3 standard reflections
1805 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$	frequency: 60 min
	intensity decay: none

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0869P)^2 + 3.2345P]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.062$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$wR(F^2) = 0.190$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.002$
$S = 1.03$	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.53 \text{ e } \text{Å}^{-3}$
2910 reflections	$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.42 \text{ e } \text{Å}^{-3}$
270 parameters	Absolute structure: Flack (1983),
H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement	714 Friedel pairs
	Flack parameter = 0.2 (2)

Table 1
Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

O11–C11	1.223 (7)	O21–C21	1.217 (9)
O12–C11	1.267 (8)	O22–C21	1.274 (9)
O11–C11–C12–N11	–6.1 (8)	O21–C21–C22–N21	–0.1 (9)
N11–C12–C13–C14	–167.4 (9)	N21–C22–C23–C24	–168.7 (15)
C12–C13–C14–C15	–178.3 (9)	C22–C23–C24–C25	–174.6 (12)
C13–C14–C15–C16	175.1 (11)	C23–C24–C25–C26	174.1 (17)
C14–C15–C16–N12	–178.0 (9)	C24–C25–C26–N22	174.3 (14)

Table 2
Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D-H \cdots A$	$D-H$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D-H \cdots A$
O22–H2 \cdots O12 ⁱ	1.06 (11)	1.38 (11)	2.425 (8)	169 (9)
N11–H11A \cdots O11 ⁱⁱ	0.89	1.98	2.821 (7)	157
N11–H11B \cdots Cl1 ⁱ	0.89	2.40	3.283 (6)	171
N11–H11C \cdots Cl1	0.89	2.49	3.367 (6)	168
N12–H12A \cdots Cl2 ⁱⁱⁱ	0.89	2.37	3.237 (7)	164
N12–H12B \cdots O3 ⁱ	0.89	2.24	2.994 (18)	142
N12–H12B \cdots O2 ^{iv}	0.89	2.32	2.945 (14)	127
N12–H12B \cdots O2 ⁱ	0.89	2.52	3.124 (14)	125
N12–H12B \cdots O2 ^{iv}	0.89	2.56	3.16 (3)	125
N12–H12C \cdots Cl2 ^v	0.89	2.51	3.298 (7)	149
N21–H21A \cdots Cl1 ⁱⁱ	0.89	2.38	3.260 (5)	172
N21–H21B \cdots Cl2	0.89	2.36	3.221 (6)	163
N21–H21C \cdots Cl2 ⁱ	0.89	2.33	3.215 (6)	173
N22–H22A \cdots Cl1 ^{vi}	0.89	2.40	3.268 (8)	166
N22–H22B \cdots O3 ⁱ	0.89	2.42	3.12 (3)	136
N22–H22B \cdots O1 ⁱ	0.89	2.71	3.08 (3)	106
N22–H22C \cdots Cl1 ^{vii}	0.89	2.42	3.302 (8)	173

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

The nitrate O atoms are disordered due to the presence of pseudo-twofold symmetry. The site-occupation factors for O1/O2/O3 and O1'/O2'/O3' are 0.54 (1) and 0.46 (1). Since the geometry of these disordered atoms differ significantly from expected values, the *DFIX* constraint was used to fix the geometry of the nitrate anion as a free variable. In the case of lysinium molecule II, atoms C23, C24, C25 and C26 showed large displacement amplitudes with unusual C–C distances, indicating disorder. Since this disorder cannot be explained satisfactorily, these atoms were refined using *DFIX* constraints. The H2 atom involved in the symmetric hydrogen bond was located and refined while all the other H atoms were fixed by geometric constraints using *HFIX* and were allowed to ride on the attached atom.

Data collection: *CAD-4 Software* (Enraf–Nonius, 1989); cell refinement: *CAD-4 Software*; data reduction: *CAD-4 Software*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *PLATON* (Spek, 1999); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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