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#### Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 150 KMean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.002 Å R factor = 0.026 wR factor = 0.068 Data-to-parameter ratio = 16.9

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# meso-1,2-(2-Hydroxyphenyl)-1,2-ethylenediammonium dichloride

In the crystal structure of the title compound,  $[(HOC_6H_4 CH(NH_3)CH(NH_3)C_6H_4OH]Cl_2$  or  $C_{14}H_{18}N_2O_2^{2+}2Cl^-$ , the dication lies about an inversion center at the midpoint of the central C-C bond. The asymmetric unit forms one intramolecular N-H···O hydrogen bond, with an N···O distance of 2.7759 (14) Å, three intermolecular  $N-H \cdots Cl$  hydrogen bonds, with N···Cl distances ranging from 3.1343 (10) to 3.3343 (10) Å, and one intermolecular O-H···Cl hydrogen bond, with an  $O \cdots Cl$  distance of 3.0142 (9) Å.

## Comment

meso-1,2-(2-Hydroxyphenyl)-1,2-ethylenediamine (Vogtle & Goldschmidt, 1976), (I), was synthesized in order to prepare its complex with copper(II). This complex could be used as a sensor of chirality for amino acids and chiral diamines using circular dichroism. Complexation of the ligand to the metal, however, did not occur and the resulting clear and colourless crystals were of the diammonium dichloride salt.



**Experimental** 

To a stirred solution of meso-diphenoxyethylenediamine (100 mg, 1.1 equivalents) in methanol (1 ml) was added copper dichloride dihydrate (63 mg, 1.0 equivalents). The mixture was stirred at room temperature overnight. The insoluble excess ligand was removed by vacuum filtration. The residue was dissolved in H<sub>2</sub>O and was then set aside for 2 weeks for crystallization. During this period colourless crystals, suitable for X-ray diffraction, precipitated. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.21 (m, 2H, Ph), 7.14 (m, 2H, Ph), 6.93 (m, 2H, Ph), 6.88 (m, 2H, Ph), 4.29 (s, 2H, CH), 1.55 p.p.m. (br, 4H, NH<sub>2</sub>).

Crystal data

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C_{14}H_{18}N_2O_2^{2+}\cdot 2Cl^{-1}
                                                       Mo K\alpha radiation
M_r = 317.20
                                                       Cell parameters from 1380
Trigonal, R3
                                                          reflections
                                                       \theta = 2.5 - 27.5^{\circ}
a = 21.8715(7) Å
                                                       \mu = 0.45 \text{ mm}^{-1}
c = 7.8297 (3) Å
V = 3243.64 (19) \text{ Å}^3
                                                       T = 150 (1) \text{ K}
                                                       Needle, colourless
Z = 9
D_{\rm r} = 1.461 {\rm Mg m}^{-3}
                                                       0.25 \times 0.12 \times 0.10 \text{ mm}
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#### Figure 1

The structure of (I), with the atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. H atoms bonded to C atoms have been removed for clarity. Hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines. See footnotes to Tables 1 and 2 for equivalent positions corresponding to the symmetry codes in the figure.

#### Data collection

Nonius KappaCCD diffractometer	1640 independent reflections
$\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans with $\kappa$ offsets	1538 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
Absorption correction: multi-scan	$R_{\rm int} = 0.020$
(DENZO-SMN; Otwinowski &	$\theta_{\rm max} = 27.5^{\circ}$
Minor, 1997)	$h = -28 \rightarrow 28$
$T_{\min} = 0.895, T_{\max} = 0.956$	$k = -28 \rightarrow 29$
4231 measured reflections	$l = -7 \rightarrow 10$

### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0097P)^2$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.026$	+ 3.9792P]
$wR(F^2) = 0.068$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 1.06	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$
1640 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.28 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$
97 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.27 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$
H atoms treated by a mixture of	Extinction correction: SHELXL97
independent and constrained	Extinction coefficient: 0.0020 (6)
refinement	

#### Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

O1-C2	1.3607 (14)	C7-N1	1.5070 (15)
C1-C7	1.5108 (15)	$C7-C7^{i}$	1.545 (2)
O1-C2-C3	123.05 (10)	N1-C7-C7 <sup>i</sup>	107.59 (11)
O1-C2-C1	116.72 (10)	$C1 - C7 - C7^{i}$	112.32 (12)

Symmetry code: (i) 1 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z.

# Table 2

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
N1-H1A···Cl1 <sup>ii</sup>	0.91	2.53	3.3344 (10)	148
$N1 - H1B \cdot \cdot \cdot O1$	0.91	2.28	2.7759 (14)	114
$N1-H1B\cdots Cl1^{iii}$	0.91	2.55	3.3724 (10)	150
$N1-H1C\cdots Cl1^{iv}$	0.91	2.25	3.1343 (10)	163
O1−H1O···Cl1	0.91 (2)	2.20 (2)	3.1042 (9)	177.2 (17)
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Symmetry codes: (ii)  $\frac{2}{3} + x - y, \frac{1}{3} + x, \frac{4}{3} - z;$  (iii)  $\frac{2}{3} - y, \frac{1}{3} + x - y, \frac{1}{3} + z;$  (iv)  $\frac{1}{3} - x + y, \frac{2}{3} - x, \frac{2}{3} + z.$ 

H atoms were placed in calculated positions, with C-H distances ranging from 0.95 to 1.00 Å and N-H distances of 0.91 Å, and then included in the refinement in a riding model, with  $U_{iso} = 1.2U_{eq}$  of the carrier atom ( $1.5U_{eq}$  for H atoms of the NH<sub>3</sub> group). The hydroxyl H atom was refined independently with an isotropic displacement parameter [O1-H1O 0.91 (2) Å].

Data collection: COLLECT (Nonius BV, 1997-2001); cell refinement: DENZO-SMN (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997); data reduction: DENZO-SMN; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 1999); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXTL; molecular graphics: SHELXTL; software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL.

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