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#### Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 90 KMean  $\sigma(\text{C-C}) = 0.003 \text{ Å}$  R factor = 0.047 wR factor = 0.131 Data-to-parameter ratio = 18.7

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# 2-Amino-5-butyl-4-methyl-1,3-thiazol-3-ium nitrate

The title compound,  $C_8H_{15}N_3O_3S$ , shows bond lengths and angles that are typical and are in accordance with expected values. The structure comprises a substituted thiazolium ring that is connected to a nitrate ion *via*  $N-H\cdots O$  hydrogenbonding interactions.

#### Comment

The cation of the title compound, (I), is nearly planar. The torsion angles which deviate most significantly from 0 or  $180^{\circ}$  are S1-C5-C8-C9 [5.5 (3)°] and C4-C5-C8-C9 [-175.5 (2)°]. This corresponds to the twist of the butyl group with respect to the thiazole ring. The bond lengths and angles are in accordance with the expected values (Fitzsimons & Gallagher, 1999; Lynch & McClenaghan, 2001). Even the C2-S1-C5 angle of 90.9 (1)° is typical for substituted thiamines. A survey of the Cambridge Structural Database (Allen, 2002) for 1,3,4-thiazole rings gave a mean value of 90.8°.



Strong interactions are observed between the S atom and the nitrate ions. These interactions have been observed in other structures and it has been suggested that they have a mechanistic importance in C2-substituted thiamines (Yang *et al.*, 1987). This relatively strong short contact  $[S1\cdots O15 = 3.15 (2) \text{ Å}]$  contributes to the stabilization of the molecular packing along the *a* axis. The packing is stabilized by ionic interactions between the nitrate anions, the organic cations, and N-H···O hydrogen bonds. Two of the cations are joined head-to-head by the hydrogen bonds between them and the nitrate ions. These pairs of molecules form the characteristic chains extended along the *a* axis.

#### **Experimental**

To 50 ml of dry ether containing 0.5 g of AlCl<sub>3</sub> was added 2-heptanone (10 g, 87 mmol). The solution was cooled and 4.5 ml (0.087 mol) of bromine was added dropwise. HBr and ether were evaporated under a stream of dry nitrogen at 313 K. To the 6.7 g (88 mmol) of brown residue thiourea in 65 ml of water was added. The solution was warmed in a boiling water bath for 3 h. To the solution was then added 2 g of charcoal and 3.6 g (45 mmol) of NaOH. The solution was extracted with diethyl ether, diluted with petroleum ether and dried with MgSO<sub>4</sub>. Crystals suitable for X-ray

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#### Figure 1

The molecular structure of the title compound. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.



#### Figure 2

The crystal packing of the title compound. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. [Symmetry codes: (A) x, y, z; (B) 1 - x, y, z; (C) 1 - x, -y, -z; (D) - x, -y, -z.]

diffraction studies were grown by slow evaporation from *n*-heptane. 9.2 g (62.2%) of 2-amino-5-butyl-4-methylthiazole was obtained as light yellow flakes melting at 352-353 K. The title compound was prepared by dissolving 1.7 g (0.01 mol) of 2-amino-5-butyl-4methylthiazole in 10 ml of methanol. Then, 0.76 ml (0.011 mol) of a 65% water solution of HNO<sub>3</sub> was added. 1.91 g (82%) of the product was filtered off and dried in a vacuum (m.p. 365-367 K). The products were recrystallized from methanol.

#### Crystal data

$C_8H_{15}N_3O_3S$	$D_x = 1.338 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$		
$M_r = 233.29$	$D_m = 1.319 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$		
Triclinic, P1	$D_m$ measured by flotation		
a = 7.486 (2) Å	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation		
b = 8.918 (2) Å	Cell parameters from 4395		
c = 9.240(2) Å	reflections		
$\alpha = 76.26 \ (3)^{\circ}$	$\theta = 3.6-28.0^{\circ}$		
$\beta = 87.15 \ (3)^{\circ}$	$\mu = 0.27 \text{ mm}^{-1}$		
$\gamma = 75.08 \ (3)^{\circ}$	T = 293 (2)  K		
$V = 579.0 (2) \text{ Å}^3$	Irregular, colourless		
Z = 2	$0.20 \times 0.15 \times 0.10 \text{ mm}$		

#### Data collection

Oxford Diffraction Xcalibur diffractometer $\omega$ scans 4395 measured reflections 2712 independent reflections 2016 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$	$\begin{aligned} R_{\text{int}} &= 0.056\\ \theta_{\text{max}} &= 28.0^{\circ}\\ h &= -10 \rightarrow 8\\ k &= -12 \rightarrow 11\\ l &= -12 \rightarrow 11 \end{aligned}$
Refinement	
Refinement on $F^2$ $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.047$ $wR(F^2) = 0.131$ S = 0.98	H atoms treated by a mindependent and cons refinement $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0762)]$

2712 reflections 145 parameters

ixture of strained  $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0762P)^2]$ where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$  $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.40 \text{ e Å}^{-3}$ 

## $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.43 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

C2-S1-C5	90.9 (1)	C8-C5-S1	121.7 (1)
C4-C5-C8	127.3 (2)		
C4-C5-C8-C9	-175.5 (2)	S1-C5-C8-C9	5.5 (3)

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

$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	D-H	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - H \cdots A$
$ {N6 - H6A \cdots O13} \\ N3 - H3A \cdots O14^{i} \\ N3 - H3A \cdots O15^{i} \\ N6 - H6B \cdots O14^{i} \\ N6 - H6B \cdots O14^{ii} $	0.81 (3)	2.10 (3)	2.901 (3)	171 (2)
	0.92 (3)	2.36 (3)	3.090 (3)	135 (2)
	0.92 (3)	1.97 (3)	2.849 (3)	157 (2)
	0.90 (3)	2.25 (3)	3.045 (3)	146 (2)
	0.90 (3)	2.25 (3)	2.994 (3)	138 (2)

Symmetry codes: (i) x - 1, y, z; (ii) 1 - x, -y, -z.

H atoms bonded to C atoms were refined freely using a riding model. The coordinates of the H atoms bonded to N atoms were refined.

Data collection: CrysAlisCCD (Oxford Diffraction, 2002); cell refinement: CrysAlisCCD; data reduction: CrysAlisRED (Oxford Diffraction, 2002); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 1990); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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