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#### **Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 293 K Mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.005 Å R factor = 0.057 wR factor = 0.204 Data-to-parameter ratio = 14.9

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# 1-Dimethylamino-3-dimethylimino-1-phenylprop-1-ene perchlorate

The title compound,  $C_{13}H_{19}N_2^+ \cdot \text{CIO}_4^-$ , a 1-arylated vinamidinium salt, has been found to crystallize in monoclinic space group  $P2_1/n$  at room temperature. The dihedral angle between the planar vinamidinium moiety and the aryl ring is 81.2 (1)°. The molecular packing is stabilized by  $C-H \cdots O$  interactions. Received 11 February 2004 Accepted 5 March 2004 Online 24 March 2004

#### Comment

The title compound, (I), a 1-arylated vinamidinium salt, has been studied as part of a series of vinamidinium systems that are prospective non-linear optical materials (Hawn & Bloor, 1989). These compounds have all the necessary molecular features to satisfy the conditions for a material to exhibit high second-harmonic generation (SHG), such as extensive charge delocalization, where the amino and imino groups at the two ends of the conjugated structure function as electron donor and electron acceptor, respectively. These compounds were chosen for X-ray crystallographic study and the structural details were extrapolated to the possible behaviour of the materials with regard to their SHG effects. Vinamidinium salts are also sources of vinylogous amidines, which are reactive towards nucleophiles, leading to the formation of pyrroles, pyrazoles, oxazoles, diazepines, quinolines, quinazolines etc. (Lloyd & Nab, 1976; Jutz, 1978; Gupton et al., 1990).



Fig. 1 shows the molecular structure of (I). The N1–C1 [1.327 (4) Å] and N2–C3 [1.314 (4) Å] bond distances are almost equal, indicating the partial double-bond character prevailing in these compounds. The amine and imine groups are not clearly distinguishable, as the bond lengths of both the groups are of the same order, indicating delocalization of the electrons. The dihedral angle between the vinamidinium plane (N1/C1/C2/C3/N2) and the aryl ring is 81.2 (1)°.

The crystal packing is stabilized by intermolecular C– $H \cdots O$  interactions between O atoms of the perchlorate group and C atoms of the vinamidinium moiety.

The compound does not exhibit non-linear optical activity, since it crystallizes in a centrosymmetric space group. However, substitution at the 2-position of the propene moiety

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results in a symmetrically placed phenyl ring and the resulting 2-arylated vinamidinium salts show SHG effects (Girija & Begum, 2004).

### **Experimental**

A formylating agent was obtained by the reaction of phosphoryl chloride and dimethyl formamide in chloroform medium. To this reagent, acetophenone dissolved in the same solvent was added. The mixture was heated under reflux, extracted with chloroform and treated with a saturated solution of sodium perchlorate in water. The compound was filtered off and dried over  $P_2O_5$  (Holy *et al.*, 1965). Crystals were grown at room temperature by slow evaporation, using ethanol as a solvent.

#### Crystal data

$C_{13}H_{19}N_2^{+} \cdot \text{CIO}_4^{-}$ $M_r = 302.75$ Monoclinic, $P2_1/n$ a = 11.3858 (18) Å b = 7.7718 (14) Å c = 18.194 (3) Å $\beta = 104.374$ (12)° V = 1559.6 (5) Å <sup>3</sup> Z = 4	$D_x = 1.289 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo K $\alpha$ radiation Cell parameters from 16 reflections $\theta = 6.9-7.8^{\circ}$ $\mu = 0.26 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 293 (2)  K Prism, colourless $0.3 \times 0.2 \times 0.1 \text{ mm}$		
Data collection	0.5 × 0.2 × 0.1 mm		
Rigaku AFC-7 <i>S</i> diffractometer $\omega/2\theta$ scans 2899 measured reflections 2753 independent reflections 1834 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $R_{int} = 0.010$ $\theta_{max} = 25.0^{\circ}$	$h = 0 \rightarrow 13$ $k = 0 \rightarrow 9$ $l = -21 \rightarrow 20$ 3 standard reflections every 150 reflections intensity decay: 0.7%		
Refinement			
Refinement on $F^2$ $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2) = 0.057$ $wR(F^2) = 0.204$ S = 1.05 2753 reflections	$w = 1/[\sigma^{2}(F_{o}^{2}) + (0.108P)^{2} + 0.6901P]$ where $P = (F_{o}^{2} + 2F_{c}^{2})/3$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$ $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.36 \text{ e } \text{Å}^{-3}$		

 $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.28 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$ 





#### Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

N1-C1	1.327 (4)	N2-C13	1.473 (5)
N1-C11	1.462 (4)	C1-C2	1.387 (4)
N1-C10	1.463 (4)	C1-C4	1.495 (4)
N2-C3	1.314 (4)	C2-C3	1.382 (5)
N2-C12	1.456 (5)		
C1 N1 C11	122.8 (2)	C2 N2 C12	120.0 (2)
CI = NI = CII	123.0(3) 121.8(2)	$C_{12} N_{2} C_{13}$	120.9(3) 117.7(2)
	121.6 (5)	C12=N2=C13	117.7 (5)
C11 - N1 - C10	114.2 (3)	N1 - C1 - C2	123.2 (3)
C3-N2-C12	121.2 (3)	N1-C1-C4	116.8 (3)
C10 N1 C1 C2	0.7.(5)	N1 C1 C4 C0	06.8 (4)
C10=N1=C1=C2	0.7 (3)	N1-C1-C4-C9	90.8 (4)
N1 - C1 - C2 - C3	-176.6(3)	$C_2 - C_1 - C_4 - C_9$	-83.3 (4)
C12-N2-C3-C2	1.2 (5)	N1-C1-C4-C5	-82.0(4)
C1-C2-C3-N2	177.1 (3)	C2-C1-C4-C5	97.9 (4)

Table 2Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å,  $^{\circ}$ ).

$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
$C10-H10A\cdots O3^{i}$	0.96	2.52	3.374 (5)	148
$C11-H11C\cdots O1$ $C12-H12C\cdots O2^{ii}$	0.96 0.96	2.57 2.38	3.417 (5) 3.331 (7)	147 173

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

H atoms were positioned geometrically (C-H = 0.93-0.96 Å) and allowed to ride on their parent atoms, with  $U_{iso}(H)$  set to  $1.5U_{eq}(C)$ for the methyl H atoms and  $1.2U_{eq}(C)$  for the other H atoms.

Data collection: MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1992); cell refinement: MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software; data reduction: TEXSAN (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1995); program(s) used to solve structure: SIR92 (Altomare et al., 1993); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics:

H-atom parameters constrained

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ORTEP-3 for Windows (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *PLATON* (Spek, 1990).

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