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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 100\text{ K}$   
Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.002\text{ \AA}$   
 $R$  factor = 0.037  
 $wR$  factor = 0.082  
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## 3-Phenylpyrazolium nitrate

The title compound,  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_9\text{N}_2^+\cdot\text{NO}_3^-$ , is composed of discrete  
3-phenylpyrazolium cations and nitrate anions. The crystal  
packing is stabilized by  $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  and  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  hydrogen  
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## Comment

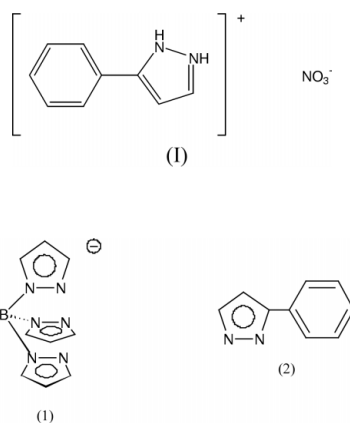
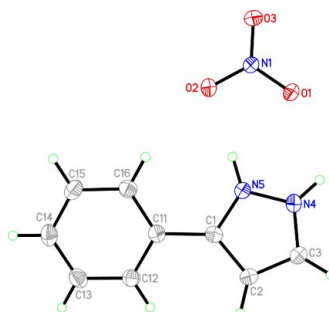
Recently, we have reported the X-ray crystal structure analysis  
of 3-phenylpyrazole, (2) (Haghiri *et al.*, 2002; Haghiri *et al.*  
1993). We describe here the X-ray crystal structure analysis of  
3-phenylpyrazolium nitrate, (1). Tris(1-pyrazolyl)borates  
(‘scorpinates’), (1), were invented by Trofimenko more than  
30 years ago and are today well established as ligands in  
coordination chemistry (Trofimenko, 2003), but only a limited  
number of transition metal complexes with 3-phenylpyrazole,  
(2), as ligand have been structurally characterized.Therefore, we are interested in the synthesis of  $\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}$   
complexes with (2) as ligand. Surprisingly, only protonation of  
(2) takes place in the reaction of  $\text{Fe}(\text{NO}_3)_3$  with (2).  $\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}$   
reacts as an acid in solution.

Figure 1

Perspective view of the title compound, with the atom numbering.  
Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.

The crystal structure of (I) is composed of discrete 3-phenylpyrazolium cations and nitrate anions (Fig. 1). Geometric parameters are as expected. The dihedral angle between the phenyl ring and the pyrazole ring is 15.50 (7)°. Anions and cations are connected by bifurcated N—H···O hydrogen bonds. In addition, the crystal packing is stabilized by C—H···O hydrogen bonds (Fig. 2).

## Experimental

X-ray quality crystals of (I) were obtained from a solution of 0.04 g (0.10 mmol)  $\text{Fe}(\text{NO}_3)_3 \cdot 9\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and 0.04 g (0.28 mmol) 3-phenylpyrazole in 5 ml  $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$  at ambient temperature.

### Crystal data

$\text{C}_9\text{H}_9\text{N}_2^+ \cdot \text{NO}_3^-$	$D_x = 1.462 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$M_r = 207.19$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Monoclinic, $C2/c$	Cell parameters from 5297 reflections
$a = 16.8447 (16) \text{ \AA}$	$\theta = 3.7\text{--}27.2^\circ$
$b = 13.392 (2) \text{ \AA}$	$\mu = 0.11 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$c = 8.3779 (8) \text{ \AA}$	$T = 100 (2) \text{ K}$
$\beta = 95.211 (8)^\circ$	Plate, colourless
$V = 1882.2 (4) \text{ \AA}^3$	$0.22 \times 0.16 \times 0.12 \text{ mm}$
$Z = 8$	

### Data collection

Stoe IPDS-II two-circle diffractometer	1502 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
$\omega$ scans	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.058$
Absorption correction: none	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.3^\circ$
8471 measured reflections	$h = -21 \rightarrow 21$
2106 independent reflections	$k = -14 \rightarrow 17$
	$l = -10 \rightarrow 10$

### Refinement

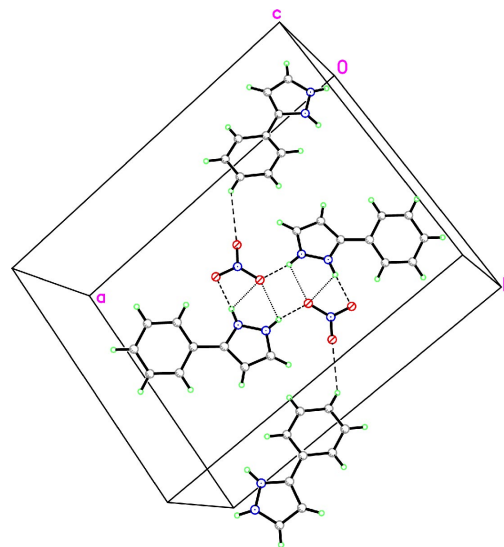
Refinement on $F^2$	H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.037$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0427P)^2]$
$wR(F^2) = 0.082$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$S = 0.90$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$
2106 reflections	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.18 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
144 parameters	$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.27 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

**Table 1**

Hydrogen-bonding geometry ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ ).

$D\text{--}H\cdots A$	$D\text{--}H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D\text{--}H\cdots A$
$\text{N4--H4}\cdots\text{O1}$	0.90 (2)	2.40 (2)	2.9019 (17)	115.0 (16)
$\text{N4--H4}\cdots\text{O1}^i$	0.90 (2)	1.83 (2)	2.7233 (16)	169 (2)
$\text{N5--H5}\cdots\text{O2}$	0.91 (2)	1.90 (2)	2.8060 (17)	177.0 (17)
$\text{N5--H5}\cdots\text{O1}$	0.91 (2)	2.297 (18)	2.8802 (16)	121.7 (14)
$\text{C16--H16}\cdots\text{O2}$	0.95	2.51	3.3643 (17)	149

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



**Figure 2**

Hydrogen bonds (dashed lines) in the crystal structure of the title compound. Atom codes: C shaded black circles, H small open green circles, N blue shaded circles and O cross-hatched red circles.

H atoms bonded to C atoms were refined with fixed individual displacement parameters [ $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ ], using a riding model, with  $\text{C--H} = 0.95 \text{ \AA}$ . The H atoms bonded to N atoms were refined isotropically.

Data collection: *X-AREA* (Stoe & Cie, 2001); cell refinement: *X-AREA*; data reduction: *X-AREA*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *XP* in *SHELXTL-Plus* (Sheldrick, 1991); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97* and *PLATON* (Spek, 2003).

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