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Key indicators

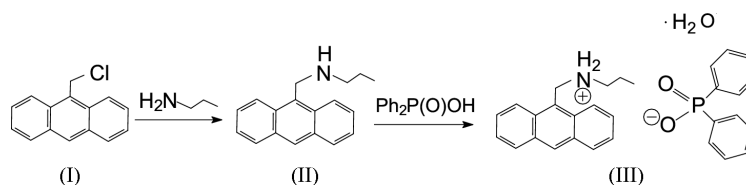
Single-crystal X-ray study
 $T = 293$ K
Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.011$ Å
 R factor = 0.103
 wR factor = 0.317
Data-to-parameter ratio = 13.8For details of how these key indicators were
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<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.***N*-(9-Anthrylmethyl)propylaminium diphenylphosphinate monohydrate**

In the title compound, $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}^+ \cdot \text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{10}\text{O}_2\text{P}^- \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$, the propylaminomethyl side chain lies above the plane of the anthracene moiety. In the crystal structure, the phosphinate O atoms are involved in hydrogen bonds with the water molecule of crystallization and the NH group of the propylamine side chain of the anthracene moiety.

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Comment

Molecular systems that combine binding ability and photochemical properties are of great interest for designing chemosensors. Many of these fluorescent sensors have been designed for protons (Bissell *et al.*, 1992). Detection of the proton concentration in nature is important for protection of the environment (Wang & Morawetz, 1976). We report here the synthesis and crystal structure of the title compound, (III).



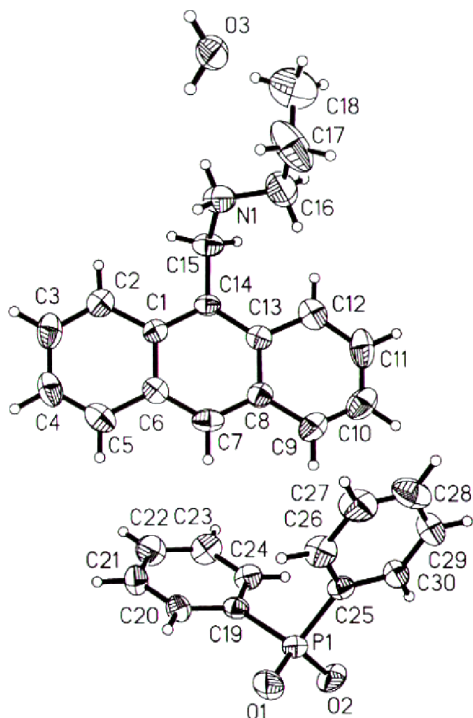
9-Chloromethylanthracene was reacted with *n*-propylamine in a benzene solution to afford an orange–yellow solution of 9-propylaminemethylanthracene, (II). Compound (II) was reacted further with diphenylphosphoric acid to give a yellow powder of (II)·Ph₂P(O)OH as the monohydrated salt, (III).

In the title compound, the propylaminomethyl chain of the anthracene moiety lies above the anthracene ring plane (Fig. 1). The N1–C15 and N1–C16 bond distances [1.575 (9) and 1.512 (10) Å, respectively] are longer than those [C71–N72 = 1.494 (6) Å and N72–C73 = 1.509 (6) Å] observed in 9,10-dibenzylaminemethylanthracene (Chang *et al.*, 2000). The C16–N1–C15 bond angle is 119.2 (6)°, which is larger than that [C71–N72–C73 = 111.2 (4)°] found in 9,10-dibenzylaminemethylanthracene.

In the crystal structure, the phosphinate O atoms are involved in hydrogen bonds with the water molecule of crystallization and the NH group of the propylamine side chain of the anthracene moiety. The *D*···*A* distances range from 2.725 (8) to 2.827 (7) Å, and the *D*–H···*A* angles from 145 to 163°. Details are given in Table 1 and Fig. 2.

Experimental

A benzene suspension of 9-chloromethylanthracene, (I) (21.00 g, 0.091 mol), and *n*-propylamine (5.37 g, 0.091 mol), in the presence of K₂CO₃ (125.58 g, 0.910 mmol) and KI (4.55 g, 27.30 mmol), was


Figure 1

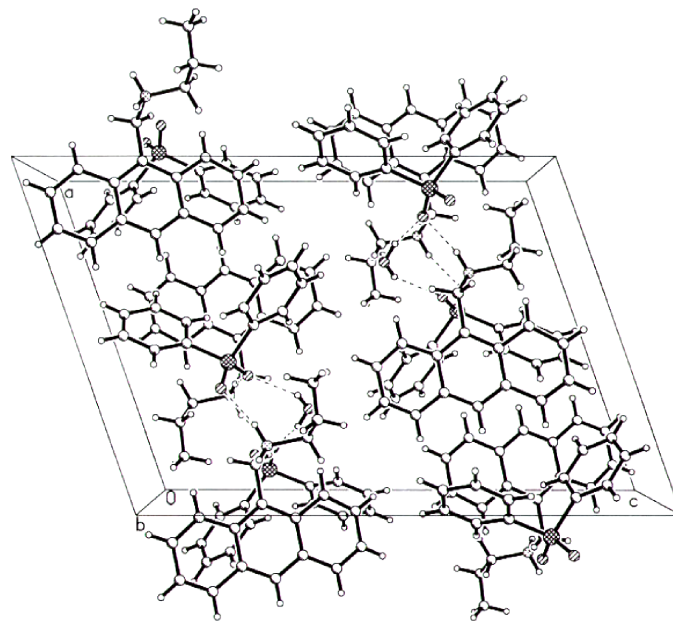
A view of the title compound, with the atomic numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.

stirred for 5 h at 303 K. After filtration, the solvent was removed with a rotary evaporator, and water (500 ml) was added. The mixture was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (150 ml). The extracted solution was dried with anhydrous MgSO_4 . After the solvent had been removed, an orange–yellow viscous liquid was obtained. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO_2 , acetone/petroleum ether 1:1) to give an orange–yellow low-melting-point solid, (II) (10.388 g, 45%; m.p. 299 K). ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3 , p.p.m.): 0.95 (*t*, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H, CH_3), 1.26 (*s*, NH), 1.62 (*m*, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H, CH_2), 2.84 (*t*, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H, CH_2), 4.72 (*s*, 2H, CH_2), 7.49 (*t*, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H, AnH) (An is anthracene), 7.54 (*t*, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H, AnH), 7.99 (*d*, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H, AnH), 8.34 (*d*, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H, AnH), 8.39 (*s*, 1H, AnH). Compound (II) was reacted with two equivalents of diphenylphosphoric acid in a benzene solution to give (II)· $\text{Ph}_2\text{P}(\text{O})\text{OH}$ quantitatively as a yellow crystalline solid. M.p. 516–518 K. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$, p.p.m.): 0.82 (*t*, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H, CH_3), 1.68 (*m*, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H, CH_2), 3.02 (*t*, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H, CH_2), 5.09 (*s*, 2H, CH_2), 7.27–8.73 (*m*, 19H, AnH), 8.73 (*s*, NH), 5.81 (*s*, OH). ^{31}P NMR (300 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$, p.p.m.): 36.56. Crystals of (III), suitable for X-ray diffraction, were obtained by slow evaporation of a methanol solution at room temperature; water present in the solvent led to the formation of the monohydrate. Analysis calculated for $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{32}\text{NO}_3\text{P}$: C 77.07, H 6.47, N 3.00%; found: C 76.84, H 6.29, N 3.21%.

Crystal data

$\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}^+\cdot\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{10}\text{O}_2\text{P}^-\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$
 $M_r = 485.54$
 Monoclinic, $P2_1/n$
 $a = 13.572$ (4) Å
 $b = 10.370$ (3) Å
 $c = 19.435$ (6) Å
 $\beta = 108.899$ (5)°
 $V = 2587.9$ (13) Å³
 $Z = 4$

$D_x = 1.246$ Mg m⁻³
 Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 Cell parameters from 620 reflections
 $\theta = 2.2$ – 25.0°
 $\mu = 0.14$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 293$ (2) K
 Prism, yellow
 $0.25 \times 0.15 \times 0.08$ mm


Figure 2

A view down the *b* axis of the packing arrangement in the crystal structure of (III). Hydrogen bonds are indicated by dashed lines.

Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer	4369 independent reflections
φ and ω scans	2163 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.078$
$T_{\text{min}} = 0.966$, $T_{\text{max}} = 0.989$	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.0^\circ$
10 002 measured reflections	$h = -15 \rightarrow 16$
	$k = -6 \rightarrow 12$
	$l = -23 \rightarrow 22$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.1614P)^2 + 1.9131P]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.103$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$wR(F^2) = 0.317$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$
$S = 1.02$	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 1.11 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
4369 reflections	$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.35 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
317 parameters	Extinction correction: SHELXL97
H-atom parameters constrained	Extinction coefficient: 0.008 (3)

Table 1

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D\text{---}H\cdots A$	$D\text{---}H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D\text{---}H\cdots A$
$\text{O3---H3C}\cdots\text{O2}^{\text{i}}$	0.85	2.09	2.827 (7)	145
$\text{O3---H3B}\cdots\text{O1}^{\text{ii}}$	0.85	2.06	2.802 (7)	146
$\text{N1---H1B}\cdots\text{O2}^{\text{ii}}$	0.90	1.96	2.826 (8)	160
$\text{N1---H1A}\cdots\text{O1}^{\text{iii}}$	0.90	1.85	2.725 (8)	163

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

All H atoms were initially located in difference Fourier maps. The methyl H atoms were then constrained to an ideal geometry, with C–H distances of 0.96 Å and $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.5U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$, but each group was allowed to rotate freely about its C–C bond. The other H atoms were placed in idealized positions and constrained to ride on their parent atoms, with N–H distances of 0.90 Å, C–H distances in the range 0.93–0.97 Å and $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$. The water H atoms were constrained to ride on the parent O atom, with O–H distances of

0.85 Å and $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{O})$. The highest peak is located at (0.3417, 0.0695, 0.3005).

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 1998); cell refinement: *SMART*; data reduction: *SAINT* (Bruker, 1998); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997a); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 1997b); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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