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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
 $T = 301$ K
Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.004$ Å
 R factor = 0.038
 wR factor = 0.104
Data-to-parameter ratio = 16.6For details of how these key indicators were
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Bis(3-picolinium) chloranilate dihydrate

In the title compound, $2 \text{C}_6\text{H}_8\text{N}^+ \cdot \text{C}_6\text{Cl}_2\text{O}_4^{2-} \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$, the chloranilate and 3-picolinium (3-methylpyridinium) ions are connected by $\text{N}-\text{H} \cdots \text{O}$ hydrogen bonds to give a centrosymmetric chloranilate–3-picolinium 1:2 unit. The structure consists of layers of the 1:2 units, and water molecules link the layers through $\text{O}-\text{H} \cdots \text{O}$ and $\text{C}-\text{H} \cdots \text{O}$ hydrogen bonds.

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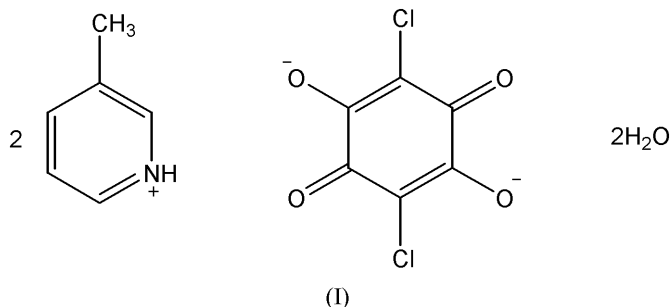
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Comment

The title compound, (I), was prepared in order to extend our study of $D-\text{H} \cdots A$ hydrogen bonding ($D = \text{N}, \text{O}$ and C ; $A = \text{N}, \text{O}$ and Cl) in the chloranilic acid (2,5-dichloro-3,6-dihydroxy-1,4-benzoquinone)–amine 1:2 system. Crystal structures have been analyzed for the 1:2 complexes of pyridazine, pyrimidine, pyrazine (Ishida & Kashino, 1999*a,b*), pyrazole, imidazole (Ishida & Kashino, 2001), toluidine (Fukunaga *et al.*, 2003) and pyrrolidine (Ishida, 2004).

In (I), the chloranilate and 3-picolinium ions are held together by bifurcated $\text{N}-\text{H} \cdots \text{O}$ hydrogen bonds (Table 2) to give a chloranilate–3-picolinium 1:2 unit, which is located on an inversion center, similar to that observed in diazine complexes (Fig. 1). The planes of the chloranilate ring and the pyridine ring are almost coplanar, the angle between them being $9.5(1)^\circ$. The 1:2 units are stacked through $\pi-\pi$ interactions between the pyridine rings, resulting in a layer parallel to (001) (Fig. 2). The closest separation between the pyridine rings in the layer is $3.497(3)$ Å, and the center-to-center separation is $3.863(3)$ Å. The water molecules link neighboring layers through $\text{O}-\text{H} \cdots \text{O}$ and $\text{C}-\text{H} \cdots \text{O}$ hydrogen bonds (Table 2) to form a three-dimensional hydrogen-bond network.



Experimental

Crystals were obtained by slow evaporation of an acetonitrile solution of chloranilic acid and 3-picoline in a 1:2 molar ratio.

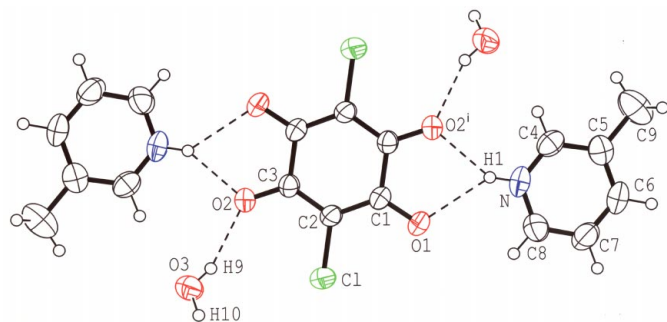


Figure 1

ORTEP-3 (Farrugia, 1997) drawing of (I), showing the atom labeling. Displacement ellipsoids of non-H atoms are drawn at the 50% probability level. N—H...O and O—H...O hydrogen bonds are indicated by dashed lines (the symmetry code is as in Table 1).

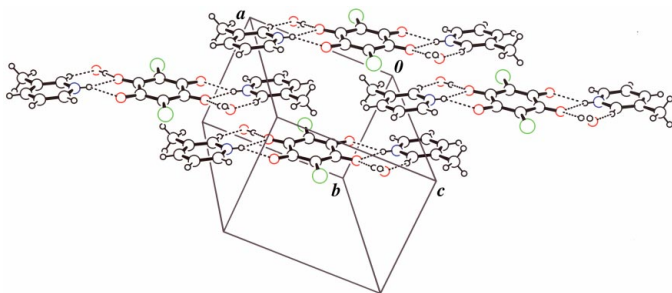


Figure 2

Packing diagram of (I), showing a molecular layer formed by π - π stacking interactions.

Crystal data

$2C_6H_8N^+ \cdot C_6Cl_2O_4^{2-} \cdot 2H_2O$
 $M_r = 431.27$
 Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$
 $a = 9.212$ (6) Å
 $b = 7.349$ (2) Å
 $c = 15.045$ (4) Å
 $\beta = 98.52$ (3)°
 $V = 1007.4$ (8) Å³
 $Z = 2$

$D_x = 1.422$ Mg m⁻³
 Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 Cell parameters from 25 reflections
 $\theta = 11.6$ – 12.0 °
 $\mu = 0.36$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 301$ K
 Prism, purple
 $0.40 \times 0.30 \times 0.15$ mm

Data collection

Rigaku AFC-5R diffractometer
 ω - 2θ scans
 Absorption correction: ψ scan
 (North *et al.*, 1968)
 $T_{\min} = 0.879$, $T_{\max} = 0.948$
 3034 measured reflections
 2320 independent reflections
 1521 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

$R_{\text{int}} = 0.014$
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.5$ °
 $h = -2 \rightarrow 11$
 $k = 0 \rightarrow 9$
 $l = -19 \rightarrow 19$
 3 standard reflections
 every 97 reflections
 intensity decay: 0.9%

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.038$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.104$
 $S = 1.00$
 2320 reflections
 140 parameters
 H atoms treated by a mixture of constrained and independent refinement

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0474P)^2 + 0.191P]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.01$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.18$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.21$ e Å⁻³

Table 1

Selected interatomic distances (Å).

Cl—C2	1.7339 (19)	C1—C2	1.398 (3)
O1—C1	1.244 (2)	C1—C3 ⁱ	1.540 (3)
O2—C3	1.249 (2)	C2—C3	1.392 (3)
N—C8	1.324 (3)	C5—C9	1.499 (3)
N—C4	1.332 (3)		

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

Table 2

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D-H \cdots A$	$D-H$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D-H \cdots A$
N—H1 ⁱ ...O1	0.82 (3)	2.26 (3)	2.917 (3)	137 (3)
N—H1 ⁱ ...O2 ⁱ	0.82 (3)	2.04 (3)	2.755 (3)	147 (3)
O3—H9...O2	0.78 (3)	2.09 (3)	2.826 (3)	158 (3)
O3—H10...O1 ⁱⁱ	0.89 (3)	2.02 (3)	2.859 (3)	158 (3)
C4—H2...O3 ⁱ	0.93	2.39	3.295 (4)	164
C8—H5...O3 ⁱⁱⁱ	0.93	2.39	3.243 (4)	152

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

H atoms attached to N and O atoms were refined isotropically. Methyl H atoms were positioned geometrically ($C-H = 0.96$ Å) and refined as riding, with free rotation about the $C-C$ bond. $U_{\text{iso}}(H)$ values were set at $1.5U_{\text{eq}}(C)$. Aromatic H atoms were also treated as riding, with $C-H = 0.93$ Å and $U_{\text{iso}}(H) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(C)$.

Data collection: *MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software* (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1990); cell refinement: *MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software*; data reduction: *TEXSAN for Windows* (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1997–1999); program(s) used to solve structure: *SIR92* (Altomare *et al.*, 1994); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEP-3* (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *PLATON* (Spek, 2003).

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