

A cation–anion complex: 1,10-phenanthrolin-1-ium
5-sulfonatosalicylic acidSai-Rong Fan,^a Hong-Ping Xiao^b
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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study

T = 295 K

Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.005 \text{ \AA}$

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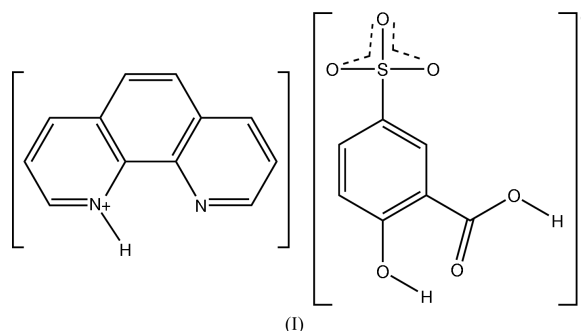
Data-to-parameter ratio = 11.2

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The title compound, $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_9\text{N}_2^+ \cdot \text{C}_7\text{H}_5\text{O}_6\text{S}^-$, consists of a 1,10-phenanthrolin-1-ium cation and a 5-sulfosalicylate anion. Hydrogen bonds link the anions into a one-dimensional chain. Furthermore, hydrogen bonds between the NH groups of 1,10-phenanthrolin-1-ium cations and the sulfonate O atoms attach the cations to the one-dimensional chain.

Comment

Recently, some protonated 1,10-phenanthrolin-1-ium complexes have been reported and structurally characterized (Wang *et al.*, 1999; Hensen *et al.*, 1998; Hensen *et al.*, 2000; Bonfim *et al.*, 2003). We report here a cation–anion 1,10-phenanthroline complex, (phenH)(H₂ssal) (phenH and H₂ssal are the 1,10-phenanthrolin-1-ium cation and the 5-sulfosalicylate anion, respectively), (I).



In the anion (Fig. 1 and Table 1), the carboxyl group is nearly coplanar with the benzene ring [the dihedral angle is $3.2(2)^\circ$] and there is an intramolecular hydrogen bond involving the hydroxy group and carboxyl atom O2. Moreover, intermolecular hydrogen bonds between a sulfonate O atom and a carboxylate O atom connect the anions into a one-dimensional chain (Fig. 2 and Table 2). In most reported cases, every sulfonate O atom is coordinated by two or three hydrogen bonds (Chertanova & Pascard, 1996), while in the title complex two sulfonate O atoms (O4 and O5) accept only one hydrogen bond. Furthermore, in the title complex the cation is essentially planar and the protonated N atom forms a hydrogen bond with the sulfonate O atom (Fig. 3). The hydrogen-bonded $\text{N}\cdots\text{O}$ distance in (I), $2.780(4) \text{ \AA}$, is significantly shorter than the mean $\text{N}\cdots\text{O}$ distance (2.946 \AA) for hydrogen bonds of N-donors to sulfonate groups (Pirard *et al.*, 1995; Haynes *et al.*, 2004).

Experimental

An aqueous solution (20 ml) of 5-sulfosalicylic acid dihydrate (0.127 g, 0.50 mmol) and $\text{La}(\text{NO}_3)_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (0.199 g, 0.46 mmol) was

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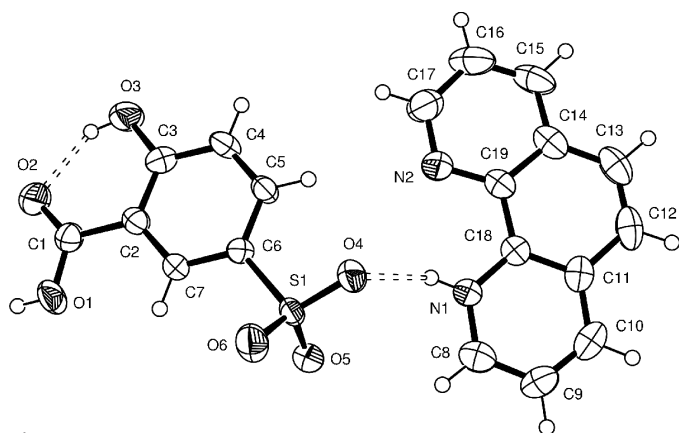


Figure 1
ORTEP-3 diagram of (I), showing the atom-labeling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. Hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines.

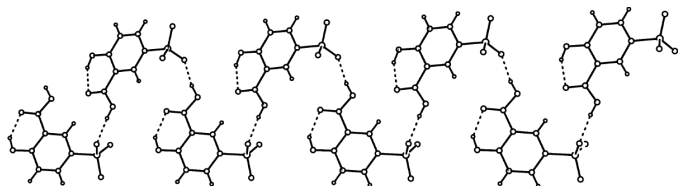


Figure 2
View of the one-dimensional hydrogen bonded chain of 5-sulfosalicylate anions. Hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines.

mixed with a previously prepared solution of 1,10-phenanthroline (0.098 g, 0.50 mmol) in methanol–water (10 ml, 1:9 v/v). The resulting solution was stirred and refluxed for 5 h and then cooled to room temperature. After slow evaporation for two days, colorless block-shaped crystals of (I) were obtained.

Crystal data

$C_{12}H_9N_2^+ \cdot C_7H_5O_6S^-$
 $M_r = 398.38$
 Monoclinic, $P2_1$
 $a = 7.0492$ (9) Å
 $b = 10.6716$ (14) Å
 $c = 11.7464$ (15) Å
 $\beta = 103.426$ (2)°
 $V = 859.49$ (19) Å³
 $Z = 2$

$D_x = 1.539$ Mg m⁻³
 Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 Cell parameters from 5405
 $\theta = 0.9$ – 28.3 °
 $\mu = 0.23$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 295$ (2) K
 Block, colorless
 $0.34 \times 0.31 \times 0.15$ mm

Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer
 φ and ω scans
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)
 $T_{min} = 0.926$, $T_{max} = 0.964$
 4555 measured reflections

2938 independent reflections
 2910 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{int} = 0.014$
 $\theta_{max} = 25.2$ °
 $h = -5 \rightarrow 8$
 $k = -12 \rightarrow 12$
 $l = -14 \rightarrow 13$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.043$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.106$
 $S = 1.18$
 2938 reflections
 262 parameters
 H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0565P)^2 + 0.1823P]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.26$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.33$ e Å⁻³
 Absolute structure: Flack (1983), 1312 Friedel pairs
 Flack parameter = 0.04 (9)

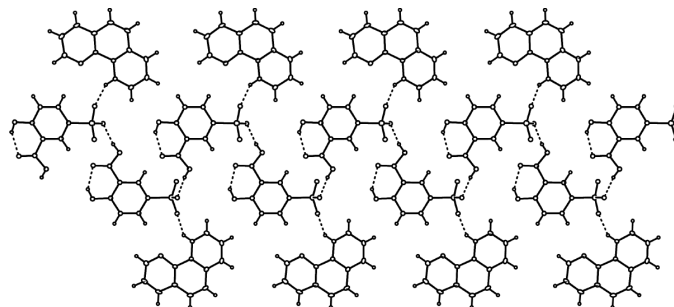


Figure 3
View of the cations hydrogen-bonded to the anion chain in (I). Hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines.

Table 1

Selected bond lengths (Å).

S1–O6	1.439 (2)	O1–C1	1.306 (4)
S1–O4	1.454 (2)	O2–C1	1.216 (4)
S1–O5	1.465 (2)	O3–C3	1.344 (4)
S1–C6	1.777 (3)		

Table 2

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D-H \cdots A$	$D-H$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D-H \cdots A$
O1–H1 \cdots O5 ⁱ	0.85 (4)	1.79 (4)	2.623 (3)	168 (5)
O3–H3 \cdots O2	0.85 (3)	1.86 (3)	2.587 (4)	142 (5)
N1–H2 \cdots O4	0.82 (4)	2.10 (3)	2.780 (4)	141 (4)

Symmetry code: (i) $2 - x, y - \frac{1}{2}, 1 - z$.

H atoms bonded to C atoms were positioned geometrically and treated as riding, with C–H distances of 0.93 Å and $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(\text{parent})$. H atoms bound to O and N atoms were located in a difference Fourier map and refined with restraints for O–H and N–H distances [0.85 (1) and 0.82 (1) Å], with fixed isotropic displacement parameters [$U_{iso}(H) = 0.08$ Å²].

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 1997); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 1997); data reduction: SAINT and SHELXTL (Bruker, 1997); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: ORTEP-3 for Windows (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: WinGX (Farrugia, 1999).

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