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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 295 KMean σ (C–C) = 0.006 Å Disorder in main residue R factor = 0.070 wR factor = 0.185 Data-to-parameter ratio = 8.4

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Triethylenetetraminium(4+) bis(sulfate) monohydrate

The cation and anion in the title salt, $C_6H_{22}N_4^{4+}\cdot 2SO_4^{2-}\cdot H_2O$, lie on special positions of site symmetry m and the water molecule on a special position of site symmetry 2/m. The cations, anions and water molecules are linked by hydrogen bonds into a three-dimensional network.

Comment

The triethylenetetraammonium cation has been crystallographically authenticated in salts of some mineral acids. It forms a dihydrate with sulfuric acid when the parent amine is reacted with sulfuric acid (Ilioudis et al., 2002). The title monohydrate, (I) (Fig. 1), which was obtained indirectly by way of a hydrothermal synthesis, exists as a three-dimensional hydrogen-bonded network structure, owing to extensive hydrogen bonds among the cations, anions and water molecules (Table 1). The cation and anion lie on special positions of site symmetry m and the water molecule on a special position of site symmetry 2/m.

[NH₃CH₂CH₂NH₂CH₂CH₂NH₂CH₂CH₂NH₃]⁴⁺ 2[SO₄]²⁻ H₂O (I)

Experimental

Ferric sulfate nonahydrate (0.281 g, 0.5 mmol), triethylenetetraamine (0.29 ml, 2 mmol), water (15 ml) and ethanol (5 ml) were placed in a Teflon-lined stainless steel bomb. The bomb was heated in an autoclave at 383 K for 4 d. The bomb was then cooled to room temperature to furnish crystals of (I). Iron was not incorporated in the compound isolated.

Crystal data

840 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

$C_6H_{22}N_4^{4+} \cdot 2SO_4^{2-} \cdot H_2O$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$M_r = 360.41$	Cell parameters from 861
Orthorhombic, Pnnm	reflections
a = 6.3192 (8) Å	$\theta = 3.4-23.5^{\circ}$
b = 22.253 (3) Å	$\mu = 0.39 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
c = 5.4903 (7) Å	T = 295 (2) K
V = 772.1 (2) Å ³	Block, yellow
Z = 2	$0.14 \times 0.14 \times 0.13 \text{ mm}$
$D_x = 1.550 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$	
Data collection	
Bruker APEX area-detector	$R_{\rm int} = 0.035$
diffractometer	$\theta_{\rm max} = 27.5^{\circ}$
φ and ω scans	$h = -8 \rightarrow 3$
3543 measured reflections	$k = -25 \rightarrow 28$
946 independent reflections	$l = -6 \rightarrow 6$

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Refinement

Refinement on F^2	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0921P)^2]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.070$	+ 1.2465P]
$wR(F^2) = 0.185$	where $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 1.14	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$
946 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.57 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
113 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.51 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
H-atom parameters constrained	

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Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
O1w-H1w1···O3 ⁱⁱ	0.85	2.29	2.94 (1)	134
$O1w - H1w1 \cdots O3^{iii}$	0.85	2.12	2.94 (1)	163
$O1w - H1w2 \cdots O6$	0.85	2.05	2.681 (7)	131
$O1w - H1w2 \cdots O6^{iv}$	0.85	2.10	2.681 (7)	125
$O1w - H1w1 \cdots O6^{ii}$	0.85	2.07	2.681 (7)	128
$O1w - H1w1 \cdots O6^{iii}$	0.85	2.05	2.681 (7)	131
$N1 - H1n1 \cdots O2^{v}$	0.86	1.98	2.818 (8)	163
$N1 - H1n1 \cdots O5^{v}$	0.86	2.12	2.86 (2)	145
$N1 - H1n2 \cdot \cdot \cdot O1$	0.86	2.01	2.83 (2)	159
$N1 - H1n2 \cdot \cdot \cdot O7^{iv}$	0.86	1.88	2.65 (2)	148
$N2-H2n \cdot \cdot \cdot O3^{vi}$	0.86	1.97	2.75 (2)	150
N2-H2 n ···O4 ^{vii}	0.86	1.81	2.58 (2)	149
N2-H2 n ···O7 ^{vii}	0.86	2.38	3.10(2)	141
$N2-H2n\cdots O8^{vi}$	0.86	2.06	2.86 (3)	156
N2-H2 n ···O8 ^{vii}	0.86	2.18	2.98 (3)	155

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

The sulfate group lying on the mirror plane is disordered, and the O atoms were refined as eight O atoms of 0.5 site occupancy each. The four S–O distances were restrained to within 0.01 Å of each other, as were the O···O distances. The ellipsoids were restrained to be nearly isotropic.

The carbon- and nitrogen-bound H atoms were placed in calculated positions (C-H = 0.97 and N-H = 0.86 Å) and were included in the refinement in the riding-model approximation, with $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C,N)$. The water O atom lies on a site of symmetry 2/m; the two disordered H atoms were placed in chemically sensible positions (O-H = 0.85 and H···H = 1.39 Å) with half-occupancy, so that one of them was able to form a hydrogen bond. They were not refined; their U_{iso} values were constrained to $1.2U_{eq}(O)$.





A plot of the three components of (I), showing the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level and H atoms are shown as small spheres of arbitrary radii. The second disorder component (atoms O5, O6, O7 and O8) is shown as dotted ellipsoids and bonds. [Symmetry code (i): $\frac{3}{2} - x$, $\frac{1}{2} + y$, $z - \frac{1}{2}$.]

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2002); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2002); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEPII* (Johnson, 1976); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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