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shangao67@yahoo.com**Key indicators**Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 296\text{ K}$   
Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.005\text{ \AA}$   
 $R$  factor = 0.026  
 $wR$  factor = 0.078  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 15.6For details of how these key indicators were  
automatically derived from the article, see  
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.**Bis(3-hydroxypyridine- $\kappa\text{N}$ )(nitrate- $\kappa^2\text{O},\text{O}'$ )silver(I)**

In the mononuclear title complex,  $[\text{Ag}(\text{NO}_3)(3\text{-PyOH})_2]$  (3-PyOH = 3-hydroxypyridine,  $\text{C}_5\text{H}_5\text{NO}$ ), the  $\text{Ag}^{\text{I}}$  atom shows a linear geometry defined by two N atoms of the 3-PyOH ligands, and the  $\text{NO}_3^-$  anion interacts with the  $\text{Ag}^{\text{I}}$  atom in a chelating mode through very weak  $\text{Ag}\cdots\text{O}$  bonds. A three-dimensional supramolecular framework is formed by both hydrogen bonds and  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions.

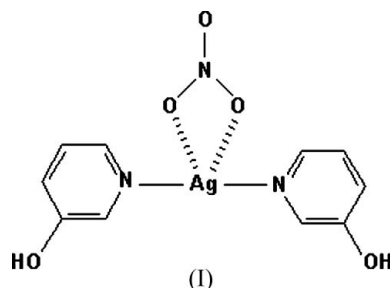
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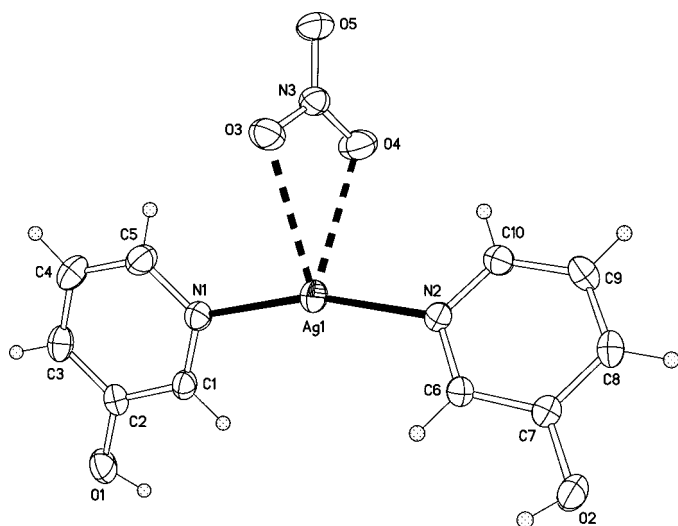
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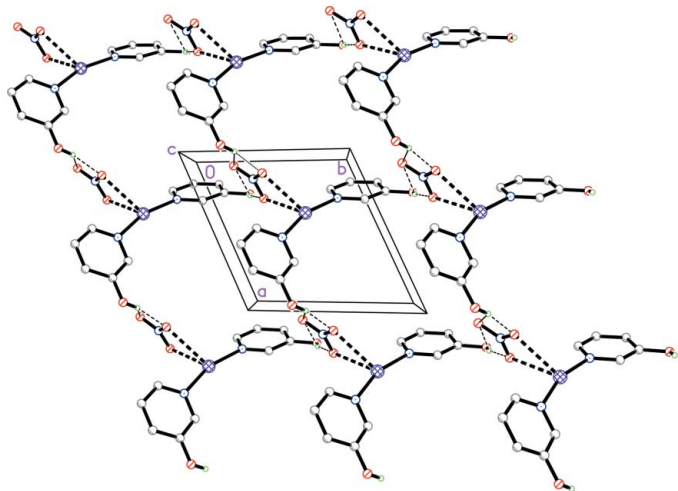
3-Hydroxypyridine (3-PyOH), when deprotonated, is a good building block in directing polymeric coordination architectures with interesting properties, such as magnetic (Castillo *et al.*, 2000; Kawata *et al.*, 1997) and fluorescent (Gao *et al.*, 2005); in its neutral form, it is also useful in the synthesis of supramolecules and inorganic precursor compounds for solid-state materials, since it is not only capable of binding to metal centers but can also form regular hydrogen bonds by functioning as both a hydrogen-bond donor and acceptor (Breeze & Wang, 1993). However, structural reports of hydrogen-bonded supramolecular complexes based on 3-PyOH are relatively rare. Recently, we have reported the chain and layer hydrogen-bonding architectures of two copper(II) complexes with 3-PyOH ligands (Gao, Zhang *et al.*, 2004; Gao, Lu *et al.*, 2004). In this paper, a novel three-dimensional supramolecular complex, *viz.*  $[\text{Ag}(\text{NO}_3)(3\text{-PyOH})_2]$ , (I), is presented.



The  $\text{Ag}^{\text{I}}$  atom in (I) is coordinated by two neutral 3-PyOH molecules through the N atoms [ $\text{Ag}-\text{N} = 2.156(3)$  and  $2.166(3)\text{ \AA}$ ], and shows a linear geometry with an  $\text{N}-\text{Ag}-\text{N}$  angle of  $162.54(9)^\circ$ . The deviation from perfect linearity may be caused by the interaction of the  $\text{NO}_3^-$  ion, which interacts with the  $\text{Ag}^{\text{I}}$  atom in a chelating mode through very weak  $\text{Ag}\cdots\text{O}$  interactions [ $\text{Ag}\cdots\text{O} = 2.760(3)$  and  $2.801(3)\text{ \AA}$ ]. The dihedral angle between the two pyridine rings is  $44.9(1)^\circ$  (Fig. 1). The mononuclear units are linked by  $\text{O}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  hydrogen bonds between the hydroxyl groups and the O atoms of the  $\text{NO}_3^-$  anion into a hydrogen-bonded layer structure (Fig. 2). The  $\text{O}\cdots\text{O}$  distances and  $\text{O}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  angles



**Figure 1**  
The coordination environment of the Ag<sup>I</sup> atom in (I), with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 30% probability level.

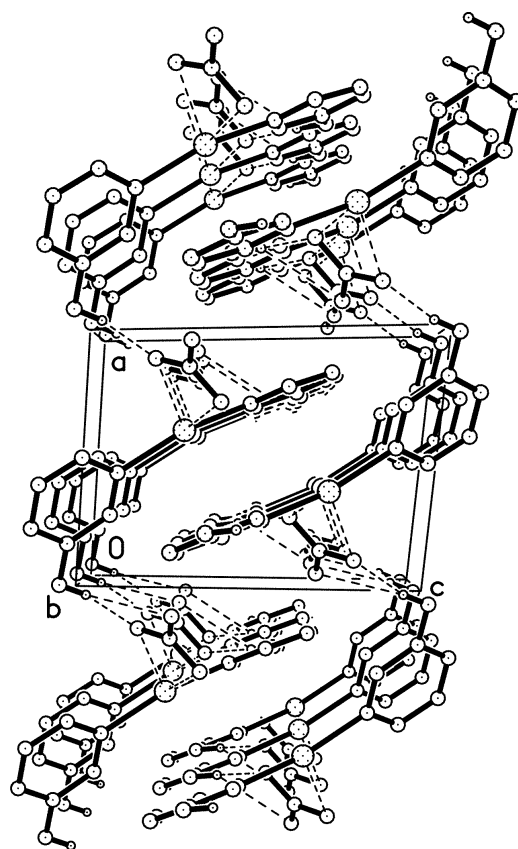


**Figure 2**  
Perspective view of the hydrogen-bonded layer structure of (I). Weak Ag...O contacts and the hydrogen bonds are denoted by bold and narrow dashed lines, respectively. The H atoms of the aromatic rings have been omitted for clarity.

are in the ranges 2.713 (4)–3.233 (4) Å and 128 (4)–169 (5)°, respectively (Table 1). Aryl–aryl  $\pi$ – $\pi$  interactions, formed between pyridine rings from adjacent layers [centroid-to-centroid distance = 3.740 (4) Å], connect the hydrogen-bonded layers into a three-dimensional supramolecular framework, as shown in Fig. 3.

## Experimental

The title complex, (I), was synthesized by the addition of AgNO<sub>3</sub> (2 mmol) to an ethanol solution of 3-hydroxypyridine (6 mmol). The reaction mixture was protected from light and allowed to evaporate slowly at room temperature, whereupon colorless prismatic crystals of (I) were isolated after about 7 d. Analysis calculated for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>10</sub>AgN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C 33.36, H 2.80, N 11.67%; found: C 33.25, H 2.83, N 11.66%.



**Figure 3**  
The three-dimensional supramolecular framework, showing the  $\pi$ – $\pi$  interactions (dashed lines) between the hydrogen-bonded layers. The H atoms of the aromatic rings have been omitted for clarity.

### Crystal data

[Ag(NO<sub>3</sub>)(C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>NO)<sub>2</sub>]  
*M<sub>r</sub>* = 360.08  
 Triclinic, *P* $\bar{1}$   
*a* = 8.2474 (16) Å  
*b* = 8.4577 (17) Å  
*c* = 10.488 (2) Å  
 $\alpha$  = 70.05 (3)°  
 $\beta$  = 76.83 (3)°  
 $\gamma$  = 62.73 (3)°  
*V* = 609.0 (3) Å<sup>3</sup>

*Z* = 2  
*D<sub>x</sub>* = 1.964 Mg m<sup>-3</sup>  
 Mo *K* $\alpha$  radiation  
 Cell parameters from 5573 reflections  
 $\theta$  = 3.0–27.5°  
 $\mu$  = 1.68 mm<sup>-1</sup>  
*T* = 296 (2) K  
 Plate, colorless  
 0.37 × 0.28 × 0.12 mm

### Data collection

Rigaku R-Axis RAPID diffractometer  
 $\omega$  scans  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (ABSCOR; Higashi, 1995)  
 $T_{\min}$  = 0.576,  $T_{\max}$  = 0.824  
 6026 measured reflections

2770 independent reflections  
 2502 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}}$  = 0.019  
 $\theta_{\text{max}}$  = 27.5°  
 $h$  = -10 → 10  
 $k$  = -10 → 10  
 $l$  = -13 → 13

### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)]$  = 0.026  
 $wR(F^2)$  = 0.078  
 $S$  = 1.06  
 2770 reflections  
 178 parameters  
 H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0402P)^2 + 0.4922P]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}}$  = 0.001  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}}$  = 0.60 e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}}$  = -0.55 e Å<sup>-3</sup>

**Table 1**  
Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Ag1—N2	2.156 (3)	Ag1—O3	2.760 (3)
Ag1—N1	2.166 (3)	Ag1—O4	2.801 (3)
O3—Ag1—N1	90.14 (9)	O4—Ag1—N2	91.22 (9)
O3—Ag1—N2	106.93 (9)	O4—Ag1—O3	45.71 (9)
O4—Ag1—N1	103.92 (9)	N2—Ag1—N1	162.54 (9)

**Table 2**  
Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

<i>D</i> —H... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H	H... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> ... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H... <i>A</i>
O1—H11...O3 <sup>i</sup>	0.85 (4)	1.87 (4)	2.713 (4)	169 (5)
O1—H11...O5 <sup>i</sup>	0.85 (4)	2.64 (4)	3.233 (4)	128 (4)
O2—H12...O4 <sup>ii</sup>	0.85 (4)	1.91 (2)	2.727 (4)	160 (5)
O2—H12...O5 <sup>ii</sup>	0.85 (4)	2.54 (4)	3.194 (4)	135 (4)

Symmetry codes: (i)  $x + 1, y, z$ ; (ii)  $x, y + 1, z$ .

H atoms bound to carbon were placed in calculated positions [ $C-H = 0.93 \text{ \AA}$  and  $U_{\text{iso}}(H) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(C)$ ] using the riding-model approximation. The H atoms of the hydroxyl groups were located in a difference map and refined with O—H distance restraints of  $0.85 (1) \text{ \AA}$  and with  $U_{\text{iso}}(H) = 1.5U_{\text{eq}}(O)$ .

Data collection: *RAPID-AUTO* (Rigaku, 1998); cell refinement: *RAPID-AUTO*; data reduction: *CrystalStructure* (Rigaku/MS,

2002); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97*; molecular graphics: *ORTEPII* (Johnson, 1976); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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