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#### **Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 293 KMean  $\sigma(C-C) = 0.003 \text{ Å}$  R factor = 0.035 wR factor = 0.093 Data-to-parameter ratio = 13.1

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# The title compound, $C_6H_9N_2^+\cdot H_2PO_4^-$ , consists of 2-amino-5methylpyridinium cations and $H_2PO_4^-$ anions, which are held together by $N-H\cdots O$ hydrogen bonds.

2-Amino-5-methylpyridinium phosphate

## Comment

Previously, some 2-amino-X-methylpyridine (2AXMP, X indicating the methyl position) adducts have been synthesized in our laboratory, including 2A6MP–neoabietic acid (1/1) (Jin *et al.*, 2000), 2A3MP–phthalic acid (2/1) (Jin *et al.*, 2001), 2A3MP–maleic acid (2/3) (Jin *et al.*, 2002), 2A6MP–tetra-chlorozincate(II) (Jin, Shun *et al.*, 2005) and 2-amino-5-methylpyridinium (2-amino-5-methylpyridine)trichloro-zincate(II) (Jin, Tu *et al.*, 2005). Here a new compound, (I), has been synthesized from 2A5MP and phosphoric acid.



In the formula unit of the title compound, the 2-amino-5methylpyridinium cation is linked to an  $H_2PO_4^-$  anion by N1–  $H2A\cdots O1$  and N2– $H2N\cdots O2$  hydrogen bonds (Fig. 1 and Table 2). N– $H\cdots O$ , O– $H\cdots O$  and C– $H\cdots O$  hydrogen bonds are instrumental in building the three-dimensional structure (Fig. 2 and Table 2).



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#### Figure 2

Packing diagram, viewed along the *a* axis. Hydrogen bonds are illustrated as dashed lines.

## **Experimental**

Phosphoric acid and 2-amino-5-methylpyridine in a molar ratio of 1:1 were mixed and dissolved in sufficient ethanol by heating to a temperature at which a clear solution resulted. Crystals of (I) were formed by gradual evaporation of ethanol over a period of one week at 293 K.

#### Crystal data

$C_6H_9N_2^+\cdot H_2PO_4^-$	$D_x = 1.485 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$M_r = 206.14$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Monoclinic, $P2_1/n$	Cell parameters fro
a = 7.9850 (5)  Å	reflections
b = 10.9104 (6) Å	$\theta = 2.7 - 27.5^{\circ}$
c = 11.1556 (7) Å	$\mu = 0.28 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\beta = 108.414 \ (2)^{\circ}$	T = 293 (2) K
$V = 922.11 (10) \text{ Å}^3$	Block, colourless
Z = 4	$0.45 \times 0.45 \times 0.31$
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$\omega$ scans Absorption correction: multi-scan (ABSCOR; Higashi, 1995) $T_{min} = 0.880, T_{max} = 0.916$	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.027$ $\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.5^{\circ}$ $h = -10 \rightarrow 10$ $k = -12 \rightarrow 14$
$\omega$ scans Absorption correction: multi-scan ( <i>ABSCOR</i> ; Higashi, 1995) $T_{\min} = 0.880, T_{\max} = 0.916$ 3577 measured reflections	$R_{int} = 0.027$ $\theta_{max} = 27.5^{\circ}$ $h = -10 \rightarrow 10$ $k = -12 \rightarrow 14$ $l = -14 \rightarrow 14$

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$  $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.035$  $wR(F^2) = 0.093$ S = 0.972111 reflections 162 parameters

parameters from 71 eflections 2.7-27.5  $0.28 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ 293 (2) K ck, colourless  $\times$  0.45  $\times$  0.31 mm

independent reflections reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ = 0.027= 27.5°  $-10 \rightarrow 10$  $-12 \rightarrow 14$  $-14 \rightarrow 14$ 

All H-atom parameters refined  $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.063P)^2]$ where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$  $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.23 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$  $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.36 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ 

# Table 1

Selected interatomic distances (Å).

P-O1	1.5031 (11)	N2-C5	1.3677 (19)
P-O2	1.5071 (11)	C1-C2	1.402 (2)
P-O3	1.5566 (12)	C2-C3	1.358 (3)
P-O4	1.5555 (13)	C3-C4	1.420 (2)
N1-C1	1.322 (2)	C6-C4	1.502 (2)
N2-C1	1.3492 (18)	C4-C5	1.348 (2)

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

$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
$N1-H2A\cdotsO1^{i}$	0.84 (2)	1.97 (2)	2.789 (3)	164 (2)
$N1 - H1A \cdot \cdot \cdot O2^{ii}$	0.86 (2)	2.31 (2)	3.073 (2)	148 (2)
$N2 - H2N \cdot \cdot \cdot O2^{i}$	0.94 (2)	1.87 (2)	2.802 (2)	174 (2)
O3−H3O···O1 <sup>iii</sup>	0.90(2)	1.65 (2)	2.550 (3)	174 (2)
$O4-H4O\cdots O2^{iv}$	0.89 (2)	1.74 (2)	2.612 (3)	166 (2)
$C5-H5\cdots O1^{v}$	1.00 (2)	2.59 (2)	3.464 (3)	146 (1)

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

All H atoms were located in a difference Fourier map and refined isotropically [C-H = 0.85 (3)-1.03 (3) Å].

Data collection: PROCESS-AUTO (Rigaku, 2001); cell refinement: PROCESS-AUTO; data reduction: CrystalStructure (Rigaku, 2003); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: CrystalStructure; molecular graphics: SHELXTL (Siemens, 1998); software used to prepare material for publication: CrystalStructure.

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