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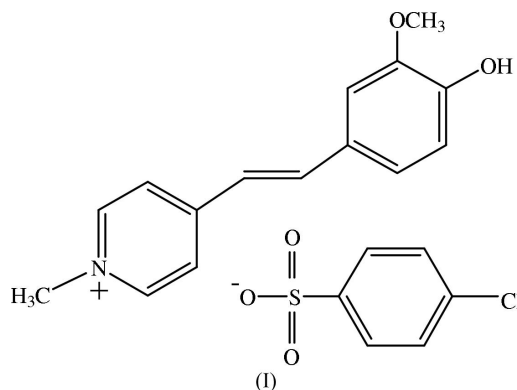
## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 293\text{ K}$   
Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003\text{ \AA}$   
 $R$  factor = 0.045  
 $wR$  factor = 0.126  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 13.3For details of how these key indicators were automatically derived from the article, see <http://journals.iucr.org/e>.4-(4'-Hydroxy-3'-methoxystyryl)-1-methylpyridinium  
4-chlorobenzenesulfonate

The title compound,  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{16}\text{NO}_2^+ \cdot \text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{ClO}_3\text{S}^-$ , is isomorphous with the 4-bromobenzenesulfonate derivative. The cation is almost planar and the benzene ring of the anion makes dihedral angles of  $82.79(1)$  and  $76.39(1)^\circ$  with the mean planes through the benzene ring of the cation and the pyridinium ring, respectively. The cations and anions are packed as alternate layers parallel to the  $ac$  plane. These layers are interconnected through  $\text{O}-\text{H} \cdots \text{O}$ ,  $\text{C}-\text{H} \cdots \text{O}$  and  $\text{C}-\text{H} \cdots \pi$  interactions to form a three-dimensional network.

## Comment

In recent years, much effort has been focused on the development of new materials with nonlinear optical (NLO) properties (Marder *et al.*, 1991; Usman *et al.*, 2000; Nogi *et al.*, 2000; Umezawa *et al.*, 2002; Feng *et al.*, 2005; Ye *et al.*, 2005). Organic molecules that exhibit second-order NLO properties usually consist of a frame with a delocalized  $\pi$  system, end-capped with either a donor or an acceptor substituent or both. Several organic compounds, such as single crystals of stilbazolium *p*-toluenesulfonate derivatives, show second-order NLO properties. Oudar & LePerson (1975) reported the effect on conjugation length of using stilbene instead of a benzene  $\pi$  system. In our continuing research on NLO materials (Rahman *et al.*, 2003; Jindawong *et al.*, 2005), the title compound, (I), was synthesized and its crystal structure is reported here. Compound (I) is isomorphous with the 4-bromobenzenesulfonate derivative,  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{16}\text{NO}_2^+ \cdot \text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{BrO}_3\text{S}^-$ , (II) (Jindawong *et al.*, 2005).

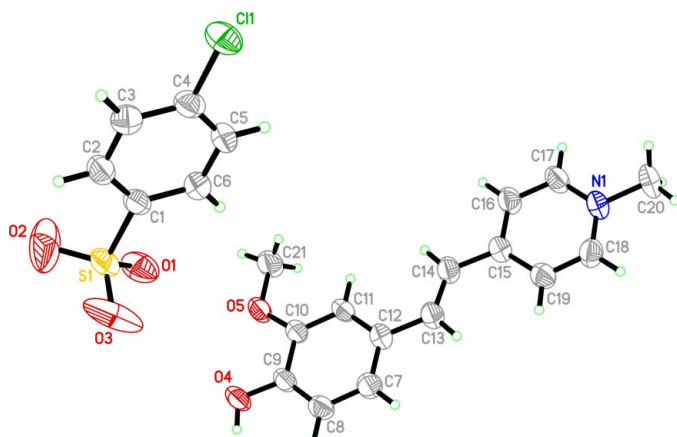


The molecular structure of (I) is illustrated in Fig. 1, and selected bond distances and angles are given in Table 1. The asymmetric unit of (I) contains a  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{16}\text{NO}_2^+$  cation and a  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{ClO}_3\text{S}^-$  anion. The cation exists in an *E* configuration with respect to the  $\text{C}13=\text{C}14$  double bond. The bond lengths and angles in both cation and anion are normal (Allen *et al.*,

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**Figure 1**  
The molecular structure of (I), showing 50% probability displacement ellipsoids and the atom-numbering scheme.

1987). In the cation, the dihedral angle between the styryl and pyridinium rings is  $6.48(1)^\circ$ , compared with  $7.1(2)^\circ$  in (II). The methoxy substituent is almost coplanar with the styryl ring, with a  $C21-O5-C10-C11$  torsion angle of  $2.9(4)^\circ$  [ $2.8(4)^\circ$  in (II)]. The benzene ring in the 4-chlorobenzene-sulfonate anion makes a dihedral angle of  $82.79(1)^\circ$  [ $82.00(8)^\circ$  in (II)] with the benzene ring of the cation and  $76.39^\circ$  [ $74.96(8)^\circ$  in (II)] with the pyridinium ring.

In the solid state, the cations and anions are packed in a manner similar to that in (II) (Table 2 and Fig. 2). The crystal structure is stabilized by  $C-H \cdots \pi$  interactions involving the benzene ring (centroid  $Cg1$ ) of the anions (Table 2).

The minor differences in the molecular and crystal structures of (I) and (II) can be related to the difference in the atomic sizes of the Cl and Br atoms.

## Experimental

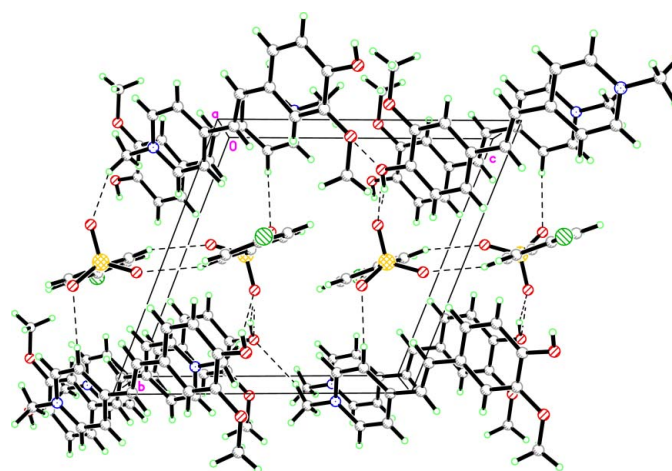
The title compound, (I), was synthesized following the same procedure as for compound (II) (Jindawong *et al.*, 2005). The solid that formed was filtered, washed with diethyl ether and recrystallized from methanol to give red crystals (3.52 g, 75%, m.p. 540–541 K).

### Crystal data

$C_{15}H_{16}NO_2^+ \cdot C_6H_4ClO_3S^-$	$Z = 2$
$M_r = 433.89$	$D_x = 1.445 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
Triclinic, $P\bar{1}$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$a = 9.8153(16) \text{ \AA}$	Cell parameters from 9566 reflections
$b = 10.4218(17) \text{ \AA}$	$\theta = 2.1\text{--}25.0^\circ$
$c = 10.5894(17) \text{ \AA}$	$\mu = 0.33 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\alpha = 110.538(2)^\circ$	$T = 293(2) \text{ K}$
$\beta = 93.864(2)^\circ$	Block, red
$\gamma = 97.819(2)^\circ$	$0.50 \times 0.27 \times 0.19 \text{ mm}$
$V = 997.2(3) \text{ \AA}^3$	

### Data collection

Siemens SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer	3517 independent reflections
$\omega$ scans	3150 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.020$
$T_{\text{min}} = 0.899$ , $T_{\text{max}} = 0.939$	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.0^\circ$
9566 measured reflections	$h = -11 \rightarrow 11$
	$k = -12 \rightarrow 12$
	$l = -12 \rightarrow 12$



**Figure 2**  
A crystal packing diagram of (I) viewed along the  $a$  axis. The  $C-H \cdots O$  hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines.

### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.045$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.126$   
 $S = 1.04$   
 3517 reflections  
 265 parameters  
 H-atom parameters constrained

$$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0676P)^2 + 0.5159P]$$

$$\text{where } P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$$

$$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$$

$$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.58 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$$

$$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.42 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$$

**Table 1**

Selected geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ ).

C1—C4	1.738 (2)	O5—C10	1.361 (3)
S1—O1	1.413 (2)	O5—C21	1.424 (3)
S1—O3	1.4334 (19)	N1—C17	1.337 (3)
S1—O2	1.440 (2)	N1—C18	1.344 (3)
S1—C1	1.780 (2)	N1—C20	1.479 (3)
O4—C9	1.358 (2)	C13—C14	1.328 (3)
C21—O5—C10—C11	$-2.9(4)$	C11—C12—C13—C14	$-1.7(4)$
C21—O5—C10—C9	$176.5(2)$	C12—C13—C14—C15	$178.6(2)$
C7—C12—C13—C14	$179.6(2)$	C13—C14—C15—C16	$175.6(2)$

**Table 2**

Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ ).

$Cg1$  is the centroid of the anion ring C1—C6.

$D-H \cdots A$	$D-H$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D-H \cdots A$
O4—H4A $\cdots$ O2 <sup>i</sup>	0.82	1.79	2.577 (4)	161
C2—H2B $\cdots$ O1 <sup>ii</sup>	0.93	2.38	3.180 (3)	144
C6—H6A $\cdots$ O3 <sup>i</sup>	0.93	2.59	2.934 (3)	103
C19—H19A $\cdots$ O3 <sup>iii</sup>	0.93	2.36	3.257 (3)	163
C20—H20B $\cdots$ O4 <sup>iv</sup>	0.96	2.43	3.367 (4)	165
C20—H20C $\cdots$ O2 <sup>v</sup>	0.96	2.55	3.420 (4)	151
C16—H16A $\cdots$ Cg1 <sup>vi</sup>	0.93	2.58	3.476 (2)	162
C21—H21A $\cdots$ Cg1 <sup>vii</sup>	0.96	2.84	3.626 (3)	140

Symmetry codes: (i)  $x, y, z$ ; (ii)  $-x + 1, -y + 2, -z + 1$ ; (iii)  $-x, -y + 2, -z + 1$ ; (iv)  $x - 1, y, z - 1$ ; (v)  $-x, -y + 3, -z + 1$ ; (vi)  $x - 1, y + 1, z$ ; (vii)  $-x + 1, -y + 3, -z + 2$ .

H atoms were placed in calculated positions and treated as riding atoms, with an O—H distance of  $0.82 \text{ \AA}$  and C—H distances in the range  $0.93\text{--}0.96 \text{ \AA}$ . The  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H})$  values were constrained to be  $1.5U_{\text{eq}}$  of the carrier atom for hydroxy and methyl H atoms and  $1.2U_{\text{eq}}$  for the remaining H atoms. A rotating-group model was used for the methyl groups.

Data collection: *SMART* (Siemens, 1996); cell refinement: *SAINTE* (Siemens, 1996); data reduction: *SAINTE*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXTL*; molecular graphics: *SHELXTL*; software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL* and *PLATON* (Spek, 2003).

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