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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 294 K Mean σ (C–C) = 0.004 Å R factor = 0.031 wR factor = 0.083 Data-to-parameter ratio = 6.5

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© 2006 International Union of Crystallography Printed in Great Britain – all rights reserved Cations of the title compound, $C_5H_{11}N_2O^+\cdot C_4HO_4^-$, are connected by intermolecular $N(amide)-H\cdots O(amide)$ hydrogen bonds into helical chains, whereas anions are interlinked by strong $O(hydroxyl)-H\cdots O$ hydrogen bonds into chains. These two distinct chains are interconnected by both $N(amide)-H\cdots O$ and $N(ammonium)-H\cdots O$ hydrogen bonds into a three-dimensional framework. One of the ammonium protons is involved in a three-centre hydrogen bond.

L-Prolinamidium hydrogensquarate

Comment

In the course of our spectroscopic and structural studies of some optically active derivatives of amino acids having nonlinear optical and electro-optical properties (Nalwa et al. 1997; Wolff & Wortmann, 1999; Chemla & Zyss, 1987), the crystal structure of the title compound, L-prolinium amide hydrogensquarate (I), was determined. In addition, a vibrational spectroscopic study and the assignment of IR and Raman bands of (I) are reported. Structurally, (I) belongs to the Camidated amino acids, whose salts and ester amides of squaric acid represent a new class of compounds of great biological importance. A structural study on the C-amidated amino acids Ile, Val, Thr, Ser, Met, Trp, Gln and Arg has been reported and the results compared with their C-unamidated counterparts (In et al., 2001). A complete vibrational spectroscopic study of (I) has not been previously performed. Only normal Raman and surface-enhanced Raman spectroscopic experiments with thin-layer chromatography spots of L-proline using different laser excitation sources have been reported. The assignments were compared with those of polycrystalline samples (Istvan et al., 2003). The conformational changes in oligomeric N-acyl-Lprolinate anions have also been studied by FTIR spectroscopy but no explicit vibrational analysis was carried out (Ishida et al., 2001).



The asymmetric unit of (I) is depicted in Fig. 1. Translationrelated hydrogensquarate anions are linked by strong intermolecular $O3' - H3' \cdots O1'$ hydrogen bonds $[O3' \cdots O1'^i =$ 2.550 (2) Å and $O3' - H3' \cdots O1'^i = 172.4^\circ$, symmetry code: (i) x, 1 + y, z] into infinite chains running parallel to the [010] direction. We have recently reported such unusual 1,3Received 20 December 2005 Accepted 22 December 2005 Online 7 January 2006



Figure 1

The molecular structure of (I), showing the atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. Dashed lines indicate hydrogen bonds.



Figure 2

The crystal packing of (I) is characterized by a three-dimensional hydrogen-bonding (dashed lines) network.

hydrogen bonds between the hydrogensquarate hydroxyl group and a partially charged O atom (Kolev et al., 2005) in the case of L-alaninium hydrogensquarate monohydrate. The alternate 3,4-hydrogen bonds are known, both in infinite chains (Angelova, Petrova et al., 1996) and in dimers of hydrogensquarate anions (Angelova, Velikova et al., 1996; Kolev et al., 2004). All possible donor N-H bonds from the amide and ammonium groups of the prolinium cation participate in hydrogen bonds.

 $N-H \cdots O$ interactions involving the amide N11 and O1 atoms (Table 1) link the prolinium cations into helical chains. These chains are connected to squarate chains by one $N(amide) - H \cdot \cdot \cdot O$ and three $N(ammonium) - H \cdot \cdot \cdot O$ hydrogen bonds, resulting in a three-dimensional framework (Table 1 and Fig. 2). A three-centre hydrogen bond between ammonium atom H22 and O3' and O2' of the anions is also involved in cation-anion connections.

Experimental

The starting compound L-proline amide was obtained as a white powder from Bachem (Switzerland) and recrystallized from methanol. Compound (I) was synthesized by adding a methanol solution (10 ml) of L-proline amide (114 mg) to an aqueous solution (14 ml) of squaric acid (114 mg). Colourless crystals, which formed after four weeks, were filtered off and dried in air at room temperature. Prismatic colourless single crystals, suitable for X-ray analysis, were grown from methanol-water (1:1) solution at room temperature over a period of two weeks. IR (KBr pellet) cm⁻¹: 3392 (s), 3187 (sh) ν (NH₂), 3018, 3050, 2881 ν (NH₃), 1815 (w) ν (C-O + C=O, hydrogensquarate), 1684 (vs) ν (C=O) (amide I), 1652 (NH₂, scissoring), 1631 δ(NH₂), 1582, 1499, 1449, 1349 δ(CH₂), 1386 ν(CN) (amide III), 1170, 1112, 934 ρ (NH₃) (rocks), 1136 ρ (NH₂) (rocks), 788 (amide VII), 722 $\omega(NH_2) + \delta(C=O)$. Our assignment is in accordance with literature data (Ivanova, 2006a,b; Ivanova & Arnaudov, 2006) for a series of amino acids, peptides and amides as well as their Au^{III} complexes. Further special details of the IR assignment and the positions of the Raman bands are given as supplementary material in the CIF.

 $D_r = 1.514 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$

Cell parameters from 41 reflections $\theta = 7.0-21.8^{\circ}$ $\mu=0.13~\mathrm{mm}^{-1}$ T = 294 (2) K Prism, colourless $0.55 \times 0.32 \times 0.24$ mm

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

Mo $K\alpha$ radiation

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.020$ $\theta_{\rm max} = 25.0^{\circ}$

 $h = -30 \rightarrow 30$

3 standard reflections

every 100 reflections

intensity decay: none

 $k = -7 \rightarrow 1$

 $l = -7 \rightarrow 7$

Crystal data

$C_5H_{11}N_2O^{+}\cdot C_4HO_4^{-}$
$M_r = 228.21$
Monoclinic, C2
a = 25.904 (4) Å
b = 5.9781 (11) Å
c = 6.5805 (9) Å
$\beta = 100.724 \ (17)^{\circ}$
V = 1001.3 (3) Å ³
Z = 4
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Data collection

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Siemens P4 four-circle
  diffractometer
\omega scans
Absorption correction: \psi scan
  (XPREP in SHELXTL;
  Sheldrick, 1995)
  T_{\min} = 0.856, T_{\max} = 0.974
2233 measured reflections
950 independent reflections
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Refinement

Refinement on F^2	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_0^2) + (0.0459P)^2]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.031$	+ 0.5121P]
$wR(F^2) = 0.083$	where $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 1.09	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$
950 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.18 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$
146 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.20 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
H-atom parameters constrained	Extinction correction: SHELXL97
-	Extinction coefficient: 0.068 (11)

Table 1 Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D-\mathrm{H}$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
O3'-H3'···O1' ⁱ	0.82	1.73	2.549 (3)	172
$N2-H22\cdots O2'^{ii}$	0.90	2.23	2.904 (3)	132
$N2-H22\cdots O3'^{iii}$	0.90	2.38	3.050 (3)	131
$N2-H21\cdots O4'^{iv}$	0.90	1.97	2.829 (3)	160
$N11-H11\cdotsO1^{v}$	0.86	2.15	2.967 (2)	158
$N11 - H12 \cdots O4'^{vi}$	0.86	2.20	2.968 (3)	148

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

In the absence of significant anomalous dispersion effects, Friedel pairs were merged. The S configuration of the L-prolinium amide α carbon atom C1 is known for the natural amino acid and was assigned as such. The H atoms of the cation and anion were constrained to Data collection: *R3m/V User's Guide* (Siemens, 1989); cell refinement: *R3m/V User's Guide*; data reduction: *XDISK* (Siemens, 1989); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 1995); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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