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#### **Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 295 KMean  $\sigma(C-C) = 0.003 \text{ Å}$  R factor = 0.028 wR factor = 0.076 Data-to-parameter ratio = 22.2

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# 1-Butylquinolinium bromide

In the title ionic compound,  $C_{13}H_{16}N^+ \cdot Br^-$ , weak  $C - H \cdot \cdot \cdot Br$  hydrogen bonding is the main non-Coulombic interation between cation and anion. Offset face-to-face  $\pi - \pi$  stacking and  $C - H \cdot \cdot \cdot \pi$  interactions occur between quinolinium cations.

# Comment

Organic molten salts usually show lower melting points and are widely used as phase-transfer catalysts or immobilizing phases for homogeneous catalysts. We report here the crystal structure of the title salt, (I).



The asymmetric unit is shown in Fig. 1. The torsion angles for the butyl group are given in Table 1. The non-classical C7-H7···Br1 hydrogen bond is the main non-Coulombic interaction between the cation and anion (Table 2). A packing diagram is presented in Fig. 2. The face-to-face separation of 3.41 (4) Å between two offset parallel quinolinium cations indicates the existence of  $\pi$ - $\pi$  stacking (Steed & Atweed, 2000). The following geometrical data indicate the existence of C-H··· $\pi$  interactions in the crystal structure (Tsuzuki *et al.*, 2000; Desiraju, 2002): C14-H14A···Cg angle 127°, H14A···Cg = 3.02 Å and C14···Cg = 3.674 (3) Å [Cg is the



#### Figure 1

The asymmetric unit of (I), with 50% probability displacement ellipsoids (arbitrary spheres for H atoms). The dashed line indicates the  $C-H\cdots$ Br hydrogen bond.

© 2006 International Union of Crystallography All rights reserved centroid of the C8<sup>i</sup>-containing ring; symmetry code: (i)  $\frac{3}{2} - x$ ,  $-\frac{1}{2} + y$ ,  $\frac{3}{2} - z$ ]. These weak interactions help to stabilize the crystal structure.

# Experimental

The title compound was synthesized by refluxing a mixture of quinoline (30 mmol, 3.84 g) and 1-bromobutane (30 mmol, 5.52 g) in 15 ml 1,4-dioxane in a Schlenk tube for 48 h, and purified by crystallizing from acetonitrile. Single crystals of (I) were obtained by recrystallization from a dichloromethane/diethyl ether solution (1:1) at room temperature.

Z = 4

 $D_x = 1.429 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo *K* $\alpha$  radiation

 $0.30 \times 0.20 \times 0.20$  mm

12191 measured reflections

3061 independent reflections

2488 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

 $\mu = 3.29 \text{ mm}^-$ 

T = 295 (2) K

Block, yellow

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.016$ 

 $\theta_{\rm max} = 28.3^{\circ}$ 

### Crystal data

 $C_{13}H_{16}N^+ \cdot Br^ M_r = 266.18$ Monoclinic,  $P2_1/n$  a = 9.8621 (5) Å b = 11.0998 (6) Å c = 11.6013 (6) Å  $\beta = 103.002$  (1)° V = 1237.40 (11) Å<sup>3</sup>

#### Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer  $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SADABS*; Sheldrick, 2002)  $T_{\min} = 0.353, T_{\max} = 0.518$ 

#### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_0^2) + (0.0344P)^2]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.028$	+ 0.5292P]
$wR(F^2) = 0.076$	where $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 1.02	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$
3061 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.65 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
138 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.69 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
H-atom parameters constrained	Extinction correction: SHELXL97
	Extinction coefficient: 0.0038 (8)

### Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

N1-C11	1.492 (3)	C12-C13	1.520 (3)
C11-C12	1.522 (3)	C13-C14	1.498 (4)
N1-C11-C12-C13	-177.10 (19)	C11-C12-C13-C14	-62.4 (3)

# Table 2

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$\overline{D-\mathrm{H}\cdots A}$	D-H	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - H \cdots A$
C7−H7···Br1	0.93	2.97	3.868 (2)	164





A packing diagram of (I). The  $C-H\cdots\pi$  interactions are indicated by blue dashed lines, offset face-to-face  $\pi-\pi$  interactions by black dashed lines, and  $C-H\cdots$ Br hydrogen bonding by red dashed lines.

H atoms were placed in calculated positions, with C–H = 0.93–0.97 Å. The torsion angle of the methyl group was refined to fit the electron density, with  $U_{\rm iso}(\rm H) = 1.5U_{\rm eq}(\rm C)$ . Other H atoms were refined in riding mode, with  $U_{\rm iso}(\rm H) = 1.2U_{\rm eq}(\rm C)$ .

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 1998); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 1998); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEP-3 for Windows* (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL* (Bruker, 2000).

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