

2-Hydroxypropanammonium benzenethiolate

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The asymmetric unit of the title compound, $C_3H_{10}NO^+ \cdot C_6H_5S^-$, contains two benzenethiolate anions and two 2-hydroxypropanammonium cations. The ions are linked into sheets of $R_2^4(8)$, $R_2^4(11)$ and $R_2^4(14)$ rings by a combination of $N-H \cdots S$, $O-H \cdots S$ and $N-H \cdots O$ hydrogen bonds.

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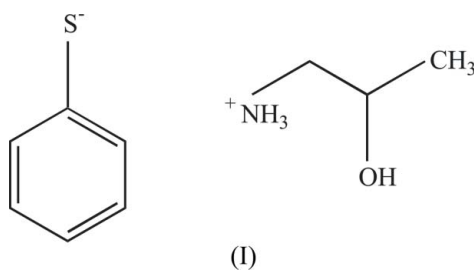
Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
 $T = 200$ K
 Mean $\sigma(C-C) = 0.003$ Å
 R factor = 0.033
 wR factor = 0.084
 Data-to-parameter ratio = 15.4

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Comment

Hydrogen bonds of the $N^+ - H \cdots S^-$ type have attracted little attention, because the transfer of a proton is seldom observed in such systems (Jetti *et al.*, 2004). An exception is found for silanethiolate compounds, where ionization of the S—H group is facilitated by the neighbouring Si atom (Baranowska, Chojnacki, Wojnowski & Becker, 2003). Reactions of alkoxy-silanethiols with primary amines lead to tetrameric salts with a cubane-like core of a hydrogen-bonding net (Becker *et al.*, 2004). Reactions of tri-*tert*-butoxy-silanethiol with secondary amines give derivatives with discrete dimeric units in the solid state (Baranowska, Chojnacki, Becker & Wojnowski, 2003; Baranowska *et al.*, 2006). In order to obtain further insight into these complex intermolecular interactions, the study of a bifunctional amine, namely 2-hydroxypropanamine, was undertaken, and we present here the crystal structure of the title compound, (I), containing this amine.



The asymmetric unit of (I) consists of two benzenethiolate anions and two 2-hydroxypropanammonium cations (Fig. 1). Each independent cation is linked to its centrosymmetric equivalent by $N-H \cdots S$ hydrogen bonds involving one of the independent symmetry-equivalent benzenethiolate anions (that with atom S1), forming an eight-membered ring leading to the graph-set motif $R_2^4(8)$ (Etter, 1990; Bernstein *et al.*, 1995). Similar (thiol-amine)₂ ring formation has been observed in other ammonium salts (Baranowska, Chojnacki, Wojnowski & Becker, 2003; Baranowska, Chojnacki, Becker & Wojnowski, 2003; Baranowska *et al.*, 2006).

These rings are further linked by $N-H \cdots S$ hydrogen bonds involving the other independent benzenethiolate anion (that

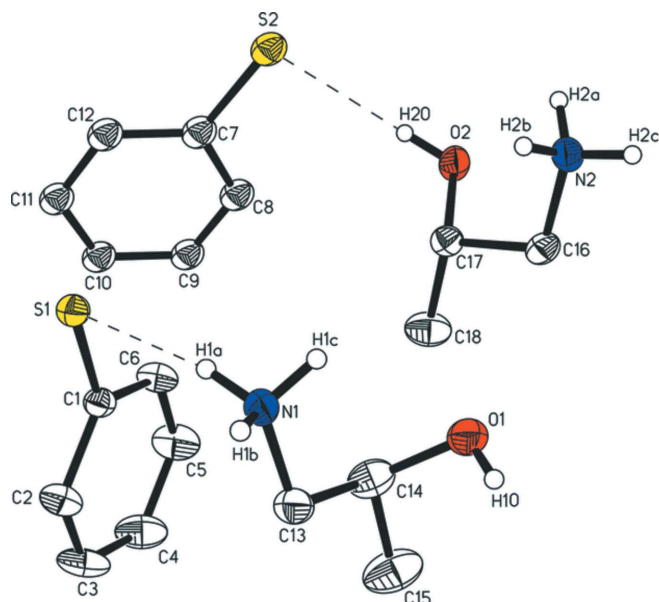


Figure 1
The asymmetric unit of (I), showing the atomic numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level. C-bound H atoms have been omitted for clarity. Dashed lines indicate hydrogen bonds.

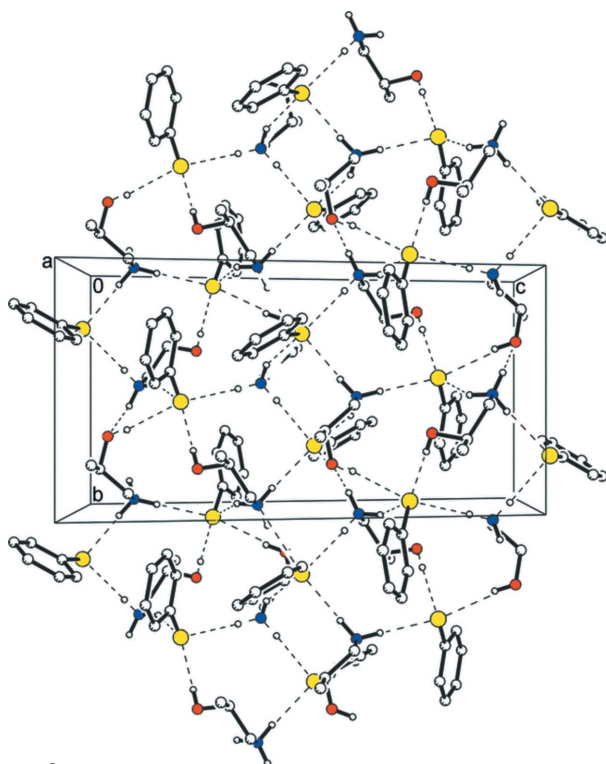


Figure 2
The crystal packing of (I), viewed approximately down the *a* axis. Hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines. C-bound H atoms have been omitted.

with atom S2), and by O—H···S and N—H···O hydrogen bonds, forming a sheet parallel to the (10 $\bar{1}$) plane (Fig. 2). Application of graph theory to the sheet results in a variety of possible hydrogen-bonding patterns: the N1—H1A···S1,

N2—H2B···S1ⁱⁱ, O2—H2O···S2 and N1—H1B···S2ⁱⁱ hydrogen bonds form an $R_2^2(11)$ ring, the N1—H1B···S2ⁱⁱ, N2—H2A···S2ⁱⁱⁱ, O2—H2O···S2 and O1—H1O···S2ⁱ hydrogen bonds form an $R_2^2(14)$ ring, and the N2—H2C···O1^v, N2—H2C···S1^{iv} and N1—H1C···S1ⁱⁱ hydrogen bonds form an $R_2^2(7)$ ring, in which atom N2 acts as a bifurcated donor.

The N···S distances in (I) lie in the range 3.222 (2)–3.397 (2) Å, comparable with values observed in zinc and cobalt benzenethiolate complexes (Chung *et al.*, 1991*a,b*; Walters *et al.*, 1991), aromatic thiolates (Baranowska, Chojnacki, Becker & Wojnowski, 2003; Jeti *et al.*, 2004) or silanethiolates (Dołęga *et al.*, 2006).

Experimental

The synthesis was carried out using standard vacuum–nitrogen line and Schlenk techniques. The solvent and amine were purified and dried by standard methods (Perrin & Armarego, 1988). To a solution of benzenethiol (2 mmol) in 2-propanol (8 ml), 2-hydroxypropanamine (2 mmol) was added. Immediately, a white precipitate formed and this was dissolved by the addition of a portion of the solvent. The mixture was kept at 277 K for a few days, and colourless crystals of (I) suitable for X-ray diffraction were obtained. Elemental analysis for C₉H₁₆N₁O₁S₁ (185.28 g mol⁻¹), calculated: C 58.34, H 8.16, N 7.56, S 17.31%; found: C 58.25, H 8.23, N 7.56, S 17.14%.

Crystal data

C ₉ H ₁₆ NO ⁺ ·C ₆ H ₅ S ⁻	$V = 2123.7 (9) \text{ \AA}^3$
$M_r = 185.28$	$Z = 8$
Monoclinic, $P2_1/n$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$a = 13.226 (3) \text{ \AA}$	$\mu = 0.26 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$b = 9.182 (2) \text{ \AA}$	$T = 200 (2) \text{ K}$
$c = 18.256 (4) \text{ \AA}$	$0.21 \times 0.18 \times 0.15 \text{ mm}$
$\beta = 106.68 (3)^\circ$	

Data collection

Stoe IPDS diffractometer	3762 independent reflections
Absorption correction: none	2836 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
14929 measured reflections	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.039$

Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.033$	H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement
$wR(F^2) = 0.085$	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.44 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
$S = 0.97$	$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.19 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
3762 reflections	
245 parameters	
6 restraints	

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
O1—H1O···S2 ⁱ	0.84	2.42	3.2379 (18)	166
N1—H1A···S1	0.91 (1)	2.34 (1)	3.2401 (18)	170 (2)
N1—H1B···S2 ⁱⁱ	0.91 (1)	2.31 (1)	3.2200 (19)	174 (2)
N1—H1C···S1 ⁱⁱ	0.90 (1)	2.46 (1)	3.2920 (18)	154 (2)
O2—H2O···S2	0.84	2.31	3.1530 (14)	178
N2—H2A···S2 ⁱⁱⁱ	0.90 (1)	2.62 (1)	3.397 (2)	145 (2)
N2—H2B···S1 ⁱⁱ	0.90 (1)	2.35 (1)	3.2218 (17)	163 (2)
N2—H2C···S1 ^{iv}	0.90 (1)	2.47 (1)	3.2730 (17)	148 (2)
N2—H2C···O1 ^v	0.90 (1)	2.57 (2)	3.187 (2)	126 (2)

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

The ammonium H atoms were located in a difference map and refined with the N–H distances restrained to 0.90 (1) Å. The remaining H atoms were placed in idealized positions and allowed to ride on their parent atoms, with O–H = 0.84 Å, and C–H = 0.95–1.00 Å, and with $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2\text{--}1.5 U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C},\text{O})$.

Data collection: *IPDS Software* (Stoe & Cie, 1999); cell refinement: *IPDS Software*; data reduction: *X-RED32* (Stoe & Cie, 1999); 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: *WinGX* (Farrugia, 1999).

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