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1,1'-(Butane-1,4-diyl)bis(imidazolium) bis(perchlorate)

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; T = 291 K; mean σ (C–C) = 0.003 Å; R factor = 0.035; wR factor = 0.095; data-to-parameter ratio = 13.5.

The asymmetric unit of the title compound, $C_{10}H_{16}N_4^{2+}\cdot 2ClO_4^{-}$, consists of half of a centrosymmetric 1,1'-(butane-1,4-diyl)bis(imidazolium) cation and one perchlorate anion. These ions are linked to each other by intermolecular bifurcated N-H···O hydrogen bonds to form infinite chains, which are further connected to each other by weak C-H···O hydrogen bonds to build up a three-dimensional network.

Related literature

For related literature, see: Dhal & Arnold (1992); Ding *et al.* (2006); Fan *et al.* (2006); Hoskins *et al.* (1997); Krolikowska & Garbarczyk (2005); Ma *et al.* (2000, 2003); Moulton & Zaworotko (2001); Sato *et al.* (1999); Yang *et al.* (2006); Yao *et al.* (2003).



Experimental

Crystal data

 $\begin{array}{l} {\rm C_{10}H_{16}N_4}^{2+} \cdot 2{\rm ClO_4}^- \\ M_r = 391.17 \\ {\rm Triclinic}, P\overline{1} \\ a = 5.557 \ (1) \ {\rm \AA} \\ b = 7.6280 \ (14) \ {\rm \AA} \\ c = 9.6139 \ (17) \ {\rm \AA} \\ \alpha = 95.273 \ (2)^\circ \\ \beta = 96.074 \ (2)^\circ \end{array}$

Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer

 $\gamma = 95.853 (2)^{\circ}$ $V = 400.93 (13) \text{ Å}^{3}$ Z = 1Mo K\alpha radiation $\mu = 0.45 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 291 (2) K $0.48 \times 0.38 \times 0.37 \text{ mm}$

Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SADABS*; Bruker, 2004)

 $T_{\min} = 0.813, T_{\max} = 0.849$ 2949 measured reflections 1475 independent reflections 1396 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

Refinement

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.035$ 109 parameters $wR(F^2) = 0.096$ H-atom parameters constrainedS = 1.14 $\Delta \rho_{max} = 0.21 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ 1475 reflections $\Delta \rho_{min} = -0.35 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

Table 1Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
N2-H2···O3	0.86	2.23	3.019 (3)	153
$N2-H2\cdots O3^{i}$	0.86	2.42	3.032 (3)	129
$C1 - H1 \cdots O4$	0.93	2.51	3.228 (3)	134
$C3-H3\cdots O1^{i}$	0.93	2.49	3.363 (3)	156
$C2-H2A\cdots O2^{ii}$	0.93	2.55	3.464 (3)	169
$C4 - H4B \cdots O4^{iii}$	0.97	2.55	3.329 (3)	138
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Symmetry codes: (i) -x, -y + 2, -z + 1; (ii) -x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 1; (iii) x, y, z - 1.

Data collection: *APEX2* (Bruker, 2004); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2004); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEPIII* (Burnett & Johnson, 1996) and *ORTEP-3 for Windows* (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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1,1'-(Butane-1,4-diyl)bis(imidazolium) bis(perchlorate)

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Comment

In recent years, metal coordination polymers with flexible bis(imidazole) ligands has been a rapidly developing area of research, because of its intriguing structures and potential applications in functional materials(Moulton & Zaworotko, 2001), such as 1,4'-bis(imidazol-1-ylmethyl)benzene (Fan *et al.*, 2006; Hoskins *et al.*, 1997), 1,1'-(1,2-ethanediyl)bis(imidazole) (Ding *et al.*, 2006), 1,1'-(butane-1,4-diyl)bis(imidazole) (bim; Yang *et al.*, 2006). Some others have been widely studied on their properties of bifunctional di(imidazole) templates of varying geometry (Dhal & Arnold, 1992) and imidazolium salts (Sato *et al.*,1999). In our previous studies, we have synthesized coordination polymer and imidazolium with 1,3'bis(imidazol-1-ylmethyl)-5-methylbenzene (Ma *et al.*, 2003; Yao *et al.*, 2003).

In order to understand the influence of protonation of imidazole ring on the configuration of the bim molecule, the title compound (I) has been structurally characterized. The cation of (I) lies on an inversion center(Fig. 1). The protonation of imidazole groups have resulted in the changes of the bond parameters and configurations in comparison to known compounds (Krolikowska & Garbarczyk, 2005). The C—N bond lengths are in the range 1.325 (3)–1.478 (3) Å. The bimH₂ and perchlorate are linked to each other by intermolecular bifurcated N—H…O hydrogen bonds to form chains wich are further connected by weak C—H…O hydrogen bonds to build up a three-dimensional supramolecular structure (table 1).

Experimental

All reagents were of AR grade and were used without further purification. 1,1'-(butane-1,4-diyl)bis(imidazole) was prepared following the literature method (Ma, *et al.*, 2000). An ethanol solution of bim (1 mmol) was reacted with an aqueous solution of perchloric acid (2 mmol) that had been neutralized with sodium hydroxide (2 mmol). The mixture was treated with 0.05 *M* perchloric acid to a pH of 1–2 and was refluxed for 8 h, colorless crystals of the title compound separated from the filtrate after several days. Analysis calculated for C10H16Cl2N4O8: C 30.71, H 4.12, N 14.32%; found: C 31.21, H 4.14, N 14.98%.

Refinement

All H atoms were treated as riding on their parent atoms, with C—H = 0.930 Å (aromatic), 0.970Å (CH₂) and N—H= 0.86Å and with $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C,N)$.

Figures



Fig. 1. Molecular view of (I), showing the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. H atoms are represented as small spheres of arbitrary radii. N—H…O hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines. [Symmetry code: (i) 1 - x, 1 - y, -z]

1,1'-(Butane-1,4-diyl)bis(imidazolium) bis(perchlorate)

$C_{10}H_{16}N_4^{2+}\cdot 2ClO_4^{-}$	Z = 1
$M_r = 391.17$	$F_{000} = 202$
Triclinic, $P\overline{1}$	$D_{\rm x} = 1.620 {\rm Mg} {\rm m}^{-3}$
Hall symbol: -P 1	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å
a = 5.557 (1) Å	Cell parameters from 2535 reflections
b = 7.6280 (14) Å	$\theta = 2.7 - 28.2^{\circ}$
c = 9.6139 (17) Å	$\mu = 0.45 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\alpha = 95.273 \ (2)^{\circ}$	T = 291 (2) K
$\beta = 96.074 \ (2)^{\circ}$	BLOCK, yellow
$\gamma = 95.853 \ (2)^{\circ}$	$0.48 \times 0.38 \times 0.37 \text{ mm}$
$V = 400.93 (13) \text{ Å}^3$	

Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer	1475 independent reflections
Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube	1396 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
Monochromator: graphite	$R_{\rm int} = 0.014$
T = 291(2) K	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.5^{\circ}$
φ and ω scans	$\theta_{\min} = 2.7^{\circ}$
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 2004)	$h = -6 \rightarrow 6$
$T_{\min} = 0.813, \ T_{\max} = 0.849$	$k = -9 \rightarrow 9$
2949 measured reflections	$l = -11 \rightarrow 11$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
Least-squares matrix: full
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.035$
$wR(F^2) = 0.096$
<i>S</i> = 1.14
1475 reflections
109 parameters
Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct

methods

Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites H-atom parameters constrained $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_0^2) + (0.0424P)^2 + 0.2168P]$ where $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.001$

$$\Delta \rho_{\text{max}} = 0.21 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$$
$$\Delta \rho_{\text{min}} = -0.35 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$$

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$$\Delta p_{\rm min} = 0.55 \,\mathrm{c} \,\mathrm{A}$$

Extinction correction: none

Special details

Geometry. All e.s.d.'s (except the e.s.d. in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell e.s.d.'s are taken into account individually in the estimation of e.s.d.'s in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between e.s.d.'s in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell e.s.d.'s is used for estimating e.s.d.'s involving l.s. planes.

Refinement. Refinement of F^2 against ALL reflections. The weighted *R*-factor *wR* and goodness of fit S are based on F^2 , conventional *R*-factors *R* are based on F, with F set to zero for negative F^2 . The threshold expression of $F^2 > 2 \operatorname{sigma}(F^2)$ is used only for calculating *R*-factors(gt) *etc.* and is not relevant to the choice of reflections for refinement. *R*-factors based on F^2 are statistically about twice as large as those based on F, and R– factors based on ALL data will be even larger.

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (A^2)

	x	У	Ζ	$U_{\rm iso}*/U_{\rm eq}$
Cl1	0.08600 (9)	0.78746 (6)	0.73164 (5)	0.03864 (19)
01	0.0172 (4)	0.8598 (2)	0.86226 (18)	0.0652 (5)
02	-0.0516 (4)	0.6196 (2)	0.6882 (2)	0.0732 (6)
03	0.0428 (4)	0.9096 (2)	0.62750 (18)	0.0639 (5)
O4	0.3407 (3)	0.7663 (3)	0.74746 (18)	0.0616 (5)
N1	0.5280 (3)	0.7551 (2)	0.21145 (17)	0.0378 (4)
N2	0.3307 (4)	0.8272 (3)	0.3850 (2)	0.0569 (5)
H2	0.2264	0.8723	0.4335	0.068*
C1	0.5040 (5)	0.7278 (3)	0.4347 (2)	0.0488 (5)
H1	0.5315	0.6969	0.5259	0.059*
C2	0.6280 (4)	0.6827 (3)	0.3267 (2)	0.0435 (5)
H2A	0.7579	0.6149	0.3295	0.052*
C3	0.3476 (4)	0.8438 (3)	0.2504 (3)	0.0502 (6)
Н3	0.2504	0.9066	0.1929	0.060*
C4	0.6119 (5)	0.7460 (3)	0.0705 (2)	0.0499 (6)
H4A	0.7726	0.8112	0.0768	0.060*
H4B	0.5024	0.8024	0.0079	0.060*
C5	0.6226 (4)	0.5566 (3)	0.0085 (2)	0.0431 (5)
H5A	0.7381	0.5024	0.0690	0.052*
H5B	0.6820	0.5587	-0.0827	0.052*

Atomic displacement parameters $(Å^2)$

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U ³³	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
Cl1	0.0467 (3)	0.0361 (3)	0.0359 (3)	0.0107 (2)	0.0101 (2)	0.00608 (19)
O1	0.0902 (14)	0.0611 (11)	0.0498 (10)	0.0131 (10)	0.0330 (9)	0.0013 (8)
O2	0.0756 (13)	0.0462 (10)	0.0915 (15)	-0.0008 (9)	0.0017 (10)	-0.0088 (9)
O3	0.0812 (13)	0.0673 (11)	0.0549 (10)	0.0354 (10)	0.0171 (9)	0.0279 (9)
O4	0.0482 (10)	0.0834 (13)	0.0590 (11)	0.0187 (9)	0.0095 (8)	0.0211 (9)
N1	0.0487 (10)	0.0310 (8)	0.0332 (9)	0.0046 (7)	0.0051 (7)	-0.0002 (6)
N2	0.0592 (13)	0.0520 (12)	0.0606 (13)	0.0085 (10)	0.0234 (10)	-0.0106 (10)
C1	0.0647 (15)	0.0474 (12)	0.0339 (11)	0.0038 (11)	0.0096 (10)	0.0001 (9)

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C2	0.0515 (12)	0.0423 (11)	0.0379 (11)	0.0122 (9)	0.0040 (9)	0.0035 (9)	
C3	0.0490 (13)	0.0399 (11)	0.0610 (15)	0.0126 (10)	0.0006 (10)	0.0012 (10)	
C4	0.0732 (16)	0.0398 (11)	0.0352 (11)	-0.0069 (10)	0.0129 (10)	0.0034 (9)	
C5	0.0541 (13)	0.0428 (11)	0.0326 (10)	-0.0015 (9)	0.0155 (9)	0.0002 (8)	
Geometric param	neters (Å, °)						
Cl1—O2		1.4262 (19)	C1—	C2	1.34	43 (3)	
Cl101		1.4301 (17)	C1—	H1	0.93	300	
Cl1—O4		1.4346 (18)	C2—	H2A	0.9300		
Cl1—O3		1.4471 (17)	C3—	H3	0.93	300	
N1—C3		1.332 (3)	C4—	C5	1.52	1.520 (3)	
N1—C2		1.373 (3)	C4—	H4A	0.9700		
N1—C4		1.478 (3)	C4—	H4B	0.9700		
N2—C3		1.325 (3)	С5—	C5 ⁱ	1.522 (4)		
N2—C1		1.360 (3)	C5—	H5A	0.9700		
N2—H2		0.8600	C5—	H5B	0.97	700	
O2-Cl1-O1		109.83 (12)	N1—	C2—H2A	126	.2	
O2-Cl1-O4		109.42 (12)	N2—	C3—N1	108	.2 (2)	
O1-Cl1-O4		109.85 (12)	N2—	С3—Н3	125	.9	
O2—Cl1—O3		110.53 (13)	N1—	С3—Н3	125	.9	
O1—Cl1—O3		108.80 (11)	N1		112	.46 (17)	
O4—Cl1—O3		108.39 (11)	N1—C4—H4A		109.1		
C3—N1—C2		108.00 (18)	C5—C4—H4A		109.1		
C3—N1—C4		125.27 (19)	N1—	C4—H4B	109	.1	
C2—N1—C4		126.65 (19)	C5—	C4—H4B	109	.1	
C3—N2—C1		109.38 (19)	H4A-	C4H4B	107	.8	
C3—N2—H2		125.3	C4—	C5—C5 ⁱ	113	.3 (2)	
C1—N2—H2		125.3	C4—	С5—Н5А	108	.9	
C2-C1-N2		106.8 (2)	C5 ⁱ —	-C5—H5A	108	.9	
С2—С1—Н1		126.6	C4—	С5—Н5В	108	.9	
N2—C1—H1		126.6	C5 ⁱ —	-C5—H5B	108	.9	
C1—C2—N1		107.6 (2)	H5A-	—С5—Н5В	107	.7	
C1—C2—H2A		126.2					
Symmetry codes:	(i) -x+1, -y+1, -	Ζ.					

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

D—H···A	<i>D</i> —Н	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	D—H··· A
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