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## 2-Methylimidazolium hydrogen maleate

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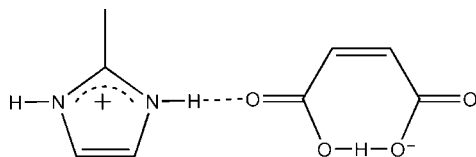
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 295$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.046;  $wR$  factor = 0.130; data-to-parameter ratio = 15.6.

Molecules in the title compound,  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_7\text{N}_2^+\cdot\text{C}_4\text{H}_3\text{O}_4^-$ , are linked by intermolecular  $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  hydrogen bonds into one-dimensional chains parallel to  $[101]$ . These chains are in turn linked by an  $R_2^2(8)$  motif, formed by weak  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  hydrogen bonds, into corrugated sheets running parallel to  $(10\bar{1})$ . These sheets are further linked by weak intermolecular  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  hydrogen bonds, forming a three-dimensional network. Intramolecular  $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  and  $\text{O}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  interactions are also present.

## Related literature

For related structures, see: Aakeröy & Salmon (2005); Liu & Meng (2006). For hydrogen-bond motifs, see: Bernstein *et al.* (1995).



## Experimental

## Crystal data

$\text{C}_4\text{H}_7\text{N}_2^+\cdot\text{C}_4\text{H}_3\text{O}_4^-$   
 $M_r = 198.18$   
 Monoclinic,  $C2/c$   
 $a = 13.9897$  (14) Å

$b = 7.2274$  (7) Å  
 $c = 20.533$  (2) Å  
 $\beta = 108.310$  (2)°  
 $V = 1970.9$  (3) Å<sup>3</sup>

$Z = 8$   
 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 0.11$  mm<sup>-1</sup>

$T = 295$  (2) K  
 $0.10 \times 0.10 \times 0.08$  mm

## Data collection

Bruker SMART APEX CCD area-detector diffractometer  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 2001)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.979$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.991$

7461 measured reflections  
 2143 independent reflections  
 1273 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.027$

## Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.046$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.130$   
 $S = 0.99$   
 2143 reflections  
 137 parameters

H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.17$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.13$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-\text{H}\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}$	$\text{H}\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}\cdots A$
$\text{O1}-\text{H3A}\cdots\text{O3}$	1.20 (3)	1.21 (3)	2.4085 (18)	174 (2)
$\text{N1}-\text{H1}\cdots\text{O2}$	0.901 (19)	1.80 (2)	2.701 (2)	176.3 (17)
$\text{N2}-\text{H2A}\cdots\text{O4}^i$	0.95 (2)	1.77 (2)	2.713 (2)	171.2 (17)
$\text{C3}-\text{H3}\cdots\text{O3}^{ii}$	0.93	2.64	3.471 (2)	150
$\text{C4}-\text{H4A}\cdots\text{O3}^i$	0.96	2.59	3.490 (2)	155
$\text{C6}-\text{H6}\cdots\text{O2}^{iii}$	0.93	2.66	3.544 (2)	158

Symmetry codes: (i)  $x + \frac{1}{2}, -y + \frac{3}{2}, z + \frac{1}{2}$ ; (ii)  $-x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 1$ ; (iii)  $-x + \frac{3}{2}, -y + \frac{5}{2}, -z + 1$ .

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 2001); cell refinement: SAINT-Plus (Bruker, 2001); data reduction: SAINT-Plus; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: PLATON (Spek, 2003); software used to prepare material for publication: PLATON.

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Supplementary data and figures for this paper are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: LH2769).

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### Comment

As part of the continuing studies on the synthesis of co-crystal or organic salts involving imidazole (Liu & Meng, 2006), the crystal structure of title compound (I) is reported. It was obtained by mixing a 2:1 molar amounts of 2-methylimidazole and 2-maleic acid and in 95% methanol solution at room temperature.

According to Aakerøy and Salmon (2005) complex (I) is an organic salt. In (I), one of the carboxyl protons is transferred to the imidazole N atom, forming a 1:1 anhydrous organic adduct. The two carboxyl groups in the maleate anion are hydrogen-bonded to each other via atom H3A located approximately at the mid-point of atoms O1 and O3 (Fig.1).

In the crystal structure, by a combination of N1-H1 $\cdots$ O2, N2-H2A $\cdots$ O4<sup>i</sup> and C4-H4A $\cdots$ O3<sup>i</sup> hydrogen bonds (symmetry codes as in Table 1) molecules in (I) are linked into a one-dimensional chain parallel to the [101] direction (Fig.2). These adjacent chains are linked by a  $R_2^2(8)$  hydrogen motif (Bernstein *et al.*, 1995) originating from two weak centrosymmetric C6-H6 $\cdots$ O2 (3/2-x, 5/2-y, 1-z) hydrogen bonds, into a corrugated sheet running parallel to the (10T) plane (Fig.3). These sheets are further linked by weak C3-H3 $\cdots$ O3 (1-x, 1-y, 1-z) hydrogen bonds, forming a three-dimensional network.

### Experimental

All the reagents and solvents were used as obtained without further purification. A 1:2 molar amounts of maleic acid (0.1 mmol, 11.6 mg) and 2-methylimidazole (0.2 mmol, 16.4 mg) were dissolved in 95% methanol (10 ml). The mixture was stirred for half an hour at room temperature and then filtered. The resulting solution was kept in air for one week. Block-shaped crystals suitable for single-crystal X-ray diffraction analysis were grown by slow evaporation of a solution of (I).

### Refinement

H atoms bonded to C atoms were located in difference maps and subsequently treated as riding modes, with C-H=0.93 Å,  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$  and C-H=0.96 Å,  $1.5U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$  for methyl H atoms. H atoms bonded to N and O atoms were also found in the difference maps and their distances were refined freely (see Table 1 for the distances), and the  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H})$  values being set k times of their carrier atoms (k=1.2 for N and 1.5 for O atoms)

### Figures

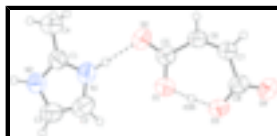


Fig. 1. Molecular structure of (I), showing the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. H-bonds are shown in dashed lines.

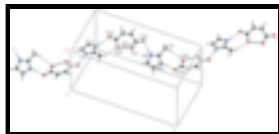


Fig. 2. Part of the crystal structure of (I), showing the formation of the one-dimensional chain linked by intermolecular N-H...O hydrogen bonds parallel to the [101] direction. (symmetry code:  $i = 1/2+x, 3/2-y, 1/2+z$ )

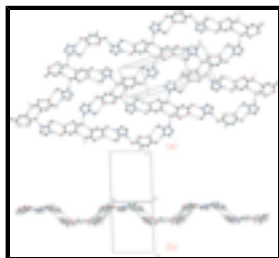
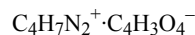


Fig. 3. Part of the crystal structure of (I), showing the formation of the two-dimensional corrugated sheet linked by intermolecular N-H...O and C-H...O hydrogen bonds (a) view perpendicular to the  $(10\bar{1})$  plane and (b) view along to the  $(10\bar{1})$  plane, respectively. Only H atoms involved in hydrogen bonds are shown.

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Hall symbol:  $-C\ 2yc$

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$\beta = 108.310\ (2)^\circ$

$V = 1970.9\ (3)\ \text{\AA}^3$

$Z = 8$

$F_{000} = 832$

$D_x = 1.336\ \text{Mg m}^{-3}$

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation

$\lambda = 0.71073\ \text{\AA}$

Cell parameters from 1457 reflections

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$T = 295\ \text{K}$

Block, colorless

$0.10 \times 0.10 \times 0.08\ \text{mm}$

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2143 independent reflections

Radiation source: fine focus sealed Siemens Mo tube

1273 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$

Monochromator: graphite

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$T = 295\ \text{K}$

$\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.0^\circ$

$0.3^\circ$  wide  $\omega$  exposures scans

$\theta_{\text{min}} = 2.1^\circ$

Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 2001)

$h = -17 \rightarrow 17$

$T_{\text{min}} = 0.979, T_{\text{max}} = 0.991$

$k = -9 \rightarrow 9$

7461 measured reflections

$l = -26 \rightarrow 24$

### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$

Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map

Least-squares matrix: full

Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.046$

H atoms treated by a mixture of

	independent and constrained refinement
$wR(F^2) = 0.130$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0703P)^2]$
	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$S = 0.99$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.001$
2143 reflections	$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.17 \text{ e } \text{Å}^{-3}$
137 parameters	$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.13 \text{ e } \text{Å}^{-3}$
Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods	Extinction correction: none

*Special details*

**Geometry.** All esds (except the esd in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell esds are taken into account individually in the estimation of esds in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between esds in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell esds is used for estimating esds 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  $F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)$  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 ( $\text{Å}^2$ )*

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
C1	0.77143 (12)	0.6738 (2)	0.65115 (8)	0.0603 (4)
C2	0.64878 (15)	0.5430 (3)	0.57064 (11)	0.0810 (6)
H2	0.5957	0.5264	0.5303	0.097*
C3	0.68665 (14)	0.4163 (3)	0.61863 (11)	0.0812 (6)
H3	0.6654	0.2943	0.6183	0.097*
C4	0.84501 (15)	0.8105 (3)	0.69038 (10)	0.0855 (6)
H4A	0.8699	0.7731	0.7376	0.128*
H4B	0.8131	0.9293	0.6872	0.128*
H4C	0.9000	0.8183	0.6720	0.128*
C5	0.61393 (13)	1.0269 (2)	0.46763 (9)	0.0630 (5)
C6	0.59800 (13)	1.1982 (2)	0.42603 (9)	0.0641 (5)
H6	0.6446	1.2915	0.4440	0.077*
C7	0.52819 (11)	1.2406 (2)	0.36726 (9)	0.0643 (5)
H7	0.5327	1.3601	0.3517	0.077*
C8	0.44457 (13)	1.1297 (3)	0.32255 (9)	0.0652 (5)
N1	0.70226 (11)	0.7022 (2)	0.59149 (8)	0.0687 (4)
H1	0.6924 (14)	0.811 (3)	0.5686 (9)	0.082*
N2	0.76299 (11)	0.4998 (2)	0.66877 (8)	0.0665 (4)
H2A	0.8074 (14)	0.439 (3)	0.7076 (10)	0.080*
O1	0.55899 (10)	0.88414 (17)	0.44508 (7)	0.0830 (4)
O2	0.68111 (10)	1.02685 (18)	0.52321 (7)	0.0844 (4)
O3	0.43419 (11)	0.96097 (18)	0.33767 (7)	0.0885 (5)
H3A	0.495 (2)	0.916 (3)	0.3917 (15)	0.133*
O4	0.38675 (9)	1.20541 (19)	0.27165 (6)	0.0826 (4)

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### Atomic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
C1	0.0574 (10)	0.0627 (11)	0.0610 (10)	0.0021 (8)	0.0187 (8)	-0.0008 (8)
C2	0.0663 (11)	0.0887 (15)	0.0787 (13)	-0.0016 (10)	0.0093 (10)	-0.0184 (11)
C3	0.0727 (12)	0.0667 (12)	0.0994 (15)	-0.0082 (10)	0.0202 (11)	-0.0139 (11)
C4	0.0861 (13)	0.0770 (14)	0.0872 (14)	-0.0151 (10)	0.0186 (11)	-0.0040 (10)
C5	0.0611 (10)	0.0644 (11)	0.0618 (11)	-0.0024 (8)	0.0169 (9)	-0.0047 (8)
C6	0.0662 (10)	0.0583 (10)	0.0644 (11)	-0.0138 (8)	0.0158 (9)	-0.0052 (8)
C7	0.0649 (10)	0.0580 (10)	0.0660 (11)	-0.0100 (8)	0.0147 (9)	-0.0006 (8)
C8	0.0631 (11)	0.0734 (12)	0.0588 (11)	-0.0047 (9)	0.0188 (9)	-0.0052 (9)
N1	0.0679 (9)	0.0715 (10)	0.0631 (9)	0.0079 (8)	0.0154 (8)	0.0042 (7)
N2	0.0633 (9)	0.0610 (9)	0.0712 (10)	0.0041 (7)	0.0156 (8)	0.0035 (7)
O1	0.0929 (9)	0.0625 (8)	0.0787 (9)	-0.0138 (7)	0.0056 (8)	0.0039 (6)
O2	0.0830 (9)	0.0878 (10)	0.0658 (8)	-0.0080 (7)	-0.0005 (7)	0.0060 (6)
O3	0.0962 (10)	0.0716 (9)	0.0768 (9)	-0.0281 (7)	-0.0028 (7)	-0.0017 (7)
O4	0.0748 (8)	0.0894 (9)	0.0693 (8)	-0.0015 (7)	0.0021 (7)	0.0008 (7)

### Geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ , $^\circ$ )

C1—N1	1.317 (2)	C5—O1	1.283 (2)
C1—N2	1.324 (2)	C5—C6	1.481 (2)
C1—C4	1.471 (2)	C6—C7	1.328 (2)
C2—C3	1.327 (3)	C6—H6	0.9300
C2—N1	1.366 (2)	C7—C8	1.476 (2)
C2—H2	0.9300	C7—H7	0.9300
C3—N2	1.369 (2)	C8—O4	1.2307 (19)
C3—H3	0.9300	C8—O3	1.278 (2)
C4—H4A	0.9600	N1—H1	0.901 (19)
C4—H4B	0.9600	N2—H2A	0.95 (2)
C4—H4C	0.9600	O1—H3A	1.20 (3)
C5—O2	1.230 (2)	O3—H3A	1.21 (3)
N1—C1—N2	107.46 (16)	C7—C6—C5	130.67 (15)
N1—C1—C4	125.99 (16)	C7—C6—H6	114.7
N2—C1—C4	126.55 (16)	C5—C6—H6	114.7
C3—C2—N1	107.26 (17)	C6—C7—C8	130.74 (16)
C3—C2—H2	126.4	C6—C7—H7	114.6
N1—C2—H2	126.4	C8—C7—H7	114.6
C2—C3—N2	106.84 (18)	O4—C8—O3	122.41 (17)
C2—C3—H3	126.6	O4—C8—C7	117.90 (17)
N2—C3—H3	126.6	O3—C8—C7	119.69 (16)
C1—C4—H4A	109.5	C1—N1—C2	109.26 (16)
C1—C4—H4B	109.5	C1—N1—H1	124.6 (12)
H4A—C4—H4B	109.5	C2—N1—H1	126.1 (12)
C1—C4—H4C	109.5	C1—N2—C3	109.18 (16)
H4A—C4—H4C	109.5	C1—N2—H2A	125.4 (11)
H4B—C4—H4C	109.5	C3—N2—H2A	125.1 (11)

O2—C5—O1	122.12 (17)	C5—O1—H3A	111.7 (11)
O2—C5—C6	117.90 (15)	C5—O2—H1	113.4 (6)
O1—C5—C6	119.98 (16)	C8—O3—H3A	112.4 (11)
N1—C2—C3—N2	0.3 (2)	C4—C1—N1—C2	179.34 (16)
O2—C5—C6—C7	-175.16 (18)	C3—C2—N1—C1	-0.1 (2)
O1—C5—C6—C7	5.4 (3)	N1—C1—N2—C3	0.27 (19)
C5—C6—C7—C8	-1.9 (3)	C4—C1—N2—C3	-179.18 (16)
C6—C7—C8—O4	176.67 (17)	C2—C3—N2—C1	-0.3 (2)
C6—C7—C8—O3	-3.0 (3)	O1—C5—O2—H1	-0.7 (7)
N2—C1—N1—C2	-0.11 (19)	C6—C5—O2—H1	179.9 (6)

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Fig. 1

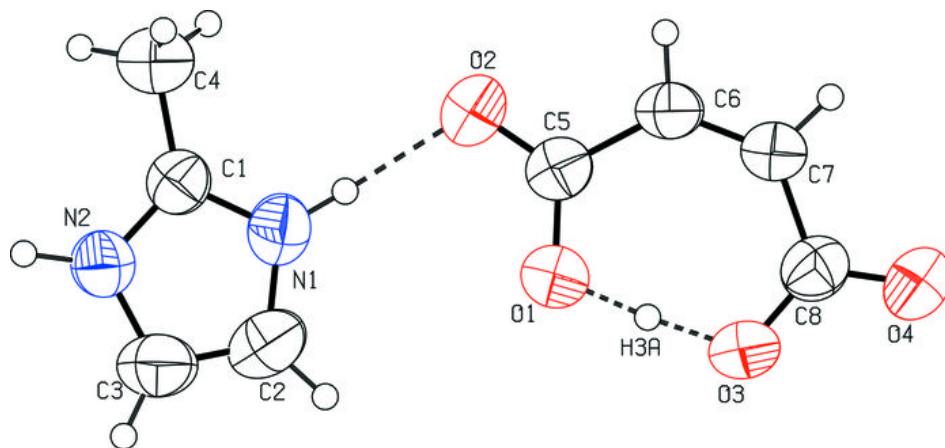




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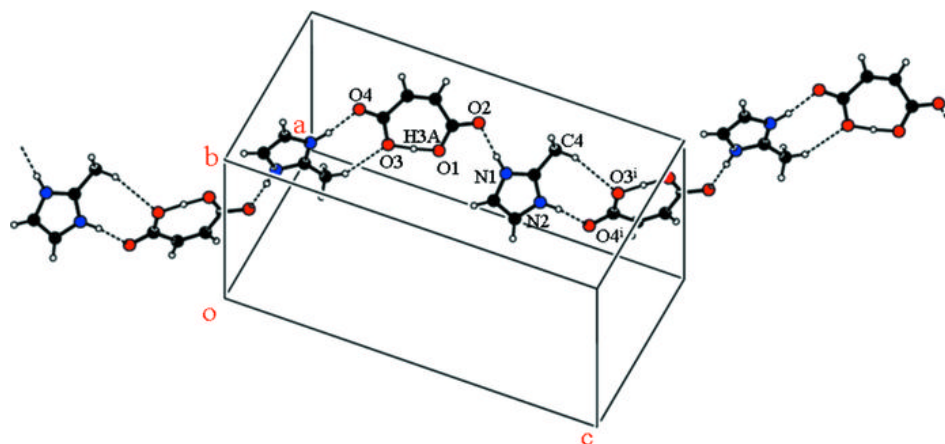


Fig. 3

