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## Piperazinediium tetrachloridozincate(II)

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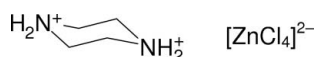
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 120$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.007$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.042;  $wR$  factor = 0.094; data-to-parameter ratio = 23.6.

In the title compound,  $(\text{C}_4\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_2)[\text{ZnCl}_4]$ , the Zn atom adopts a slightly distorted tetrahedral geometry. In the crystal, the dication and dianion interact by way of  $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{Cl}$  and  $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots(\text{Cl},\text{Cl})$  hydrogen bonds to result in a layered network propagating in (010). The hydrogen-bonding network is unbalanced, with three Cl atoms accepting two hydrogen bonds each and one Cl atom not accepting any hydrogen bonds: the latter shows the shortest Zn–Cl bond length. The crystal studied was found to be an inversion twin.

## Related literature

For related structures, see: Bremner & Harrison (2003); Kefi & Nasr (2005); Wilkinson & Harrison (2007). For reference structural data, see: Allen *et al.* (1995). For details of graph-set theory, see: Bernstein *et al.* (1995).



## Experimental

## Crystal data

$(\text{C}_4\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_2)[\text{ZnCl}_4]$   $V = 1080.62$  (6) Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $M_r = 295.33$   $Z = 4$   
 Orthorhombic,  $P2_12_12_1$  Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $a = 8.2309$  (3) Å  $\mu = 3.21$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $b = 11.0845$  (3) Å  $T = 120$  K  
 $c = 11.8443$  (4) Å  $0.13 \times 0.09 \times 0.04$  mm

## Data collection

Nonius KappaCCD diffractometer 8838 measured reflections  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan 2388 independent reflections  
 (SADABS; Bruker, 2003) 2194 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $T_{\min} = 0.681$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.882$   $R_{\text{int}} = 0.058$

## Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.042$   $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.92$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $wR(F^2) = 0.094$   $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.77$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $S = 1.08$  Absolute structure: Flack (1983),  
 2388 reflections 946 Friedel pairs  
 101 parameters Flack parameter: 0.44 (2)  
 H-atom parameters constrained

Table 1

Selected bond lengths (Å).

Zn1–Cl1	2.2768 (12)	Zn1–Cl3	2.2532 (12)
Zn1–Cl2	2.3119 (12)	Zn1–Cl4	2.2634 (12)

Table 2

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
N1–H1 $\cdots$ Cl2	0.92	2.33	3.239 (5)	171
N1–H2 $\cdots$ Cl4	0.92	2.77	3.168 (4)	107
N1–H2 $\cdots$ Cl1 <sup>i</sup>	0.92	2.49	3.206 (4)	135
N2–H3 $\cdots$ Cl2 <sup>ii</sup>	0.92	2.28	3.174 (4)	164
N2–H4 $\cdots$ Cl4 <sup>iii</sup>	0.92	2.50	3.194 (5)	133
N2–H4 $\cdots$ Cl1 <sup>iii</sup>	0.92	2.70	3.346 (4)	128

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

Data collection: *COLLECT* (Nonius, 1998); cell refinement: *SCALEPACK* (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997); data reduction: *DENZO* (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997) and *SCALEPACK*, and *SORTAV* (Blessing, 1995); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *ORTEP-3* (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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Supplementary data and figures for this paper are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: BG2253).

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### Comment

As part of our ongoing investigations of hydrogen bonding networks in molecular salts containing metal-chlorido complexes, (Bremner & Harrison, 2003), we now report the structure of the title compound, (I). The structure of a monohydrate containing the same cation and anion was reported previously (Kefi & Nasr, 2005).

The Zn atom in (I) adopts a slightly distorted tetrahedral coordination arising from four chloride ions (Table 1, Fig. 1) and the organic dication adopts a typical chair geometry with normal bond lengths and angles (Allen *et al.*, 1995), the two nitrogen atoms being displaced from the mean plane of the four carbon atoms by  $-0.654(7)\text{\AA}$  and  $0.685(6)\text{\AA}$  for N1 and N2, respectively.

In the crystal of (I), the components interact by way of simple N—H $\cdots$ Cl and bifurcated N—H $\cdots$ (Cl,Cl) hydrogen bonds (Table 2), such that each NH<sub>2</sub> group forms one simple and one bifurcated bond. Some of the bifurcated H $\cdots$ Cl contacts are relatively long, but still significantly shorter than the H $\cdots$ Cl van der Waals' contact distance of  $2.95\text{\AA}$ .

This hydrogen-bond connectivity results in a layered network propagating in (010) (Fig. 2). It is notable that this H bonding arrangement is unbalanced (Wilkinson & Harrison, 2007), with Cl1, Cl2 and Cl4 accepting two hydrogen bonds each, whereas Cl3 does not accept any H bonds. This may correlate with the fact that the Zn1—Cl3 bond length in (I) is the shortest of the four zinc–chloride links. Within the layers, various graph-set motifs (Bernstein *et al.*, 1995) are apparent, including  $R^2_2(6)$  and  $R^4_4(14)$  loops.

In (C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>2</sub>).[ZnCl<sub>4</sub>].H<sub>2</sub>O (Kefi & Nasr, 2005), a combination of N—H $\cdots$ Cl, N—H $\cdots$ O and O—H $\cdots$ Cl hydrogen bonds results in a three-dimensional network.

### Experimental

In an attempt to prepare a zinc–arsenite open-framework compound, ZnO, As<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and piperazine hexahydrate were dissolved in a 1:1:1 molar ratio in dilute HCl solution. Colourless slabs of (I) grew as the water slowly evaporated, accompanied by octahedra of As<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>.

### Refinement

The H atoms were placed in idealized locations (C—H =  $0.99\text{\AA}$ , N—H =  $0.92\text{\AA}$ ) and refined as riding with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{carrier})$ .

## Figures



Fig. 1. View of the molecular structure of (I) showing 50% displacement ellipsoids (arbitrary spheres for the H atoms) with the hydrogen bonds indicated by double dashed lines.

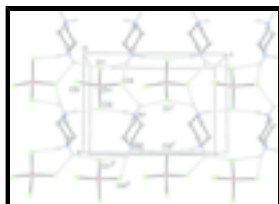


Fig. 2. Part of an (010) hydrogen bonded sheet in the structure of (I) with the hydrogen bonds shown as double dashed lines. All the carbon-bound H atoms are omitted for clarity. Symmetry codes as in Table 2.

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### Crystal data

(C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>2</sub>)[ZnCl<sub>4</sub>]

*M<sub>r</sub>* = 295.33

Orthorhombic, *P*2<sub>1</sub>2<sub>1</sub>2<sub>1</sub>

Hall symbol: P 2ac 2ab

*a* = 8.2309 (3) Å

*b* = 11.0845 (3) Å

*c* = 11.8443 (4) Å

*V* = 1080.62 (6) Å<sup>3</sup>

*Z* = 4

*F*<sub>000</sub> = 592

*D<sub>x</sub>* = 1.815 Mg m<sup>-3</sup>

Mo *K*α radiation

λ = 0.71073 Å

Cell parameters from 8676 reflections

θ = 2.9–27.5°

μ = 3.21 mm<sup>-1</sup>

*T* = 120 K

Slab, colourless

0.13 × 0.09 × 0.04 mm

### Data collection

Nonius KappaCCD  
diffractometer

Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube

Monochromator: graphite

*T* = 120 K

ω and φ scans

Absorption correction: multi-scan  
(SADABS; Bruker, 2003)

*T*<sub>min</sub> = 0.681, *T*<sub>max</sub> = 0.882

8838 measured reflections

2388 independent reflections

2194 reflections with *I* > 2σ(*I*)

*R*<sub>int</sub> = 0.058

θ<sub>max</sub> = 27.5°

θ<sub>min</sub> = 3.0°

*h* = -9→10

*k* = -12→14

*l* = -15→15

### Refinement

Refinement on *F*<sup>2</sup>

Least-squares matrix: full

*R* [*F*<sup>2</sup> > 2σ(*F*<sup>2</sup>)] = 0.042

Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites

H-atom parameters constrained

*w* = 1/[σ<sup>2</sup>(*F*<sub>o</sub><sup>2</sup>) + (0.0219*P*)<sup>2</sup> + 3.2663*P*]

$wR(F^2) = 0.094$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$S = 1.08$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$
2388 reflections	$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.92 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
101 parameters	$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.77 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods	Extinction correction: none
Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map	Absolute structure: Flack (1983), 946 Friedel pairs
	Flack parameter: 0.44 (2)

### 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  $F^2 > \sigma(F^2)$  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 ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )

	$x$	$y$	$z$	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
Zn1	0.27149 (6)	0.46334 (5)	0.09228 (5)	0.01746 (15)
Cl1	0.06341 (13)	0.59864 (10)	0.09534 (11)	0.0192 (2)
Cl2	0.51483 (13)	0.56726 (10)	0.09893 (11)	0.0193 (2)
Cl3	0.24980 (15)	0.34993 (10)	-0.06487 (9)	0.0212 (3)
Cl4	0.26367 (15)	0.35675 (9)	0.25519 (9)	0.0182 (3)
C1	0.6765 (6)	0.3608 (4)	0.3437 (5)	0.0211 (11)
H1A	0.6095	0.2999	0.3040	0.025*
H1B	0.7022	0.3292	0.4198	0.025*
C2	0.8319 (6)	0.3817 (4)	0.2790 (4)	0.0189 (10)
H2A	0.8947	0.3057	0.2747	0.023*
H2B	0.8062	0.4078	0.2010	0.023*
C3	0.8383 (6)	0.5925 (5)	0.3449 (4)	0.0196 (10)
H3A	0.8136	0.6227	0.2681	0.024*
H3B	0.9052	0.6539	0.3839	0.024*
C4	0.6815 (6)	0.5734 (4)	0.4092 (5)	0.0189 (9)
H4A	0.7063	0.5505	0.4881	0.023*
H4B	0.6185	0.6495	0.4106	0.023*
N1	0.5828 (5)	0.4761 (4)	0.3544 (4)	0.0180 (9)
H1	0.5509	0.5014	0.2839	0.022*
H2	0.4907	0.4625	0.3966	0.022*
N2	0.9310 (5)	0.4768 (4)	0.3369 (4)	0.0189 (9)
H3	0.9583	0.4509	0.4082	0.023*
H4	1.0256	0.4894	0.2972	0.023*

## supplementary materials

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

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
Zn1	0.0130 (3)	0.0212 (3)	0.0182 (3)	-0.0007 (2)	-0.0003 (3)	-0.0015 (2)
C11	0.0164 (5)	0.0221 (5)	0.0191 (5)	0.0024 (4)	-0.0007 (5)	-0.0019 (5)
C12	0.0142 (5)	0.0253 (5)	0.0183 (5)	-0.0030 (4)	0.0008 (5)	0.0002 (5)
C13	0.0181 (6)	0.0240 (6)	0.0214 (6)	-0.0006 (5)	-0.0002 (5)	-0.0045 (4)
C14	0.0151 (6)	0.0188 (5)	0.0205 (5)	-0.0014 (5)	-0.0001 (5)	-0.0003 (4)
C1	0.016 (3)	0.017 (2)	0.030 (3)	-0.001 (2)	0.002 (2)	0.000 (2)
C2	0.019 (2)	0.019 (2)	0.019 (2)	0.0003 (19)	-0.001 (2)	-0.002 (2)
C3	0.013 (2)	0.021 (2)	0.024 (3)	0.001 (2)	0.000 (2)	0.001 (2)
C4	0.013 (2)	0.023 (2)	0.021 (2)	-0.0004 (17)	0.002 (2)	-0.002 (2)
N1	0.0091 (19)	0.025 (2)	0.020 (2)	-0.0019 (18)	0.0000 (16)	0.0001 (18)
N2	0.013 (2)	0.024 (2)	0.020 (2)	0.0030 (19)	0.0031 (17)	-0.0008 (18)

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

Zn1—C11	2.2768 (12)	C3—N2	1.496 (6)
Zn1—C12	2.3119 (12)	C3—C4	1.513 (7)
Zn1—C13	2.2532 (12)	C3—H3A	0.9900
Zn1—C14	2.2634 (12)	C3—H3B	0.9900
C1—N1	1.499 (7)	C4—N1	1.498 (6)
C1—C2	1.510 (7)	C4—H4A	0.9900
C1—H1A	0.9900	C4—H4B	0.9900
C1—H1B	0.9900	N1—H1	0.9200
C2—N2	1.498 (6)	N1—H2	0.9200
C2—H2A	0.9900	N2—H3	0.9200
C2—H2B	0.9900	N2—H4	0.9200
C13—Zn1—C14	114.25 (4)	N2—C3—H3B	109.6
C13—Zn1—C11	108.73 (5)	C4—C3—H3B	109.6
C14—Zn1—C11	107.99 (5)	H3A—C3—H3B	108.1
C13—Zn1—C12	112.01 (5)	N1—C4—C3	110.2 (4)
C14—Zn1—C12	104.82 (5)	N1—C4—H4A	109.6
C11—Zn1—C12	108.84 (5)	C3—C4—H4A	109.6
N1—C1—C2	110.4 (4)	N1—C4—H4B	109.6
N1—C1—H1A	109.6	C3—C4—H4B	109.6
C2—C1—H1A	109.6	H4A—C4—H4B	108.1
N1—C1—H1B	109.6	C4—N1—C1	111.8 (4)
C2—C1—H1B	109.6	C4—N1—H1	109.2
H1A—C1—H1B	108.1	C1—N1—H1	109.2
N2—C2—C1	109.7 (4)	C4—N1—H2	109.2
N2—C2—H2A	109.7	C1—N1—H2	109.2
C1—C2—H2A	109.7	H1—N1—H2	107.9
N2—C2—H2B	109.7	C3—N2—C2	110.8 (4)
C1—C2—H2B	109.7	C3—N2—H3	109.5
H2A—C2—H2B	108.2	C2—N2—H3	109.5
N2—C3—C4	110.3 (4)	C3—N2—H4	109.5

N2—C3—H3A	109.6	C2—N2—H4	109.5
C4—C3—H3A	109.6	H3—N2—H4	108.1
N1—C1—C2—N2	57.4 (5)	C2—C1—N1—C4	-56.6 (5)
N2—C3—C4—N1	-56.4 (5)	C4—C3—N2—C2	58.8 (5)
C3—C4—N1—C1	55.8 (5)	C1—C2—N2—C3	-59.1 (5)

*Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)*

<i>D</i> —H $\cdots$ <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H	H $\cdots$ <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> $\cdots$ <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H $\cdots$ <i>A</i>
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Fig. 1

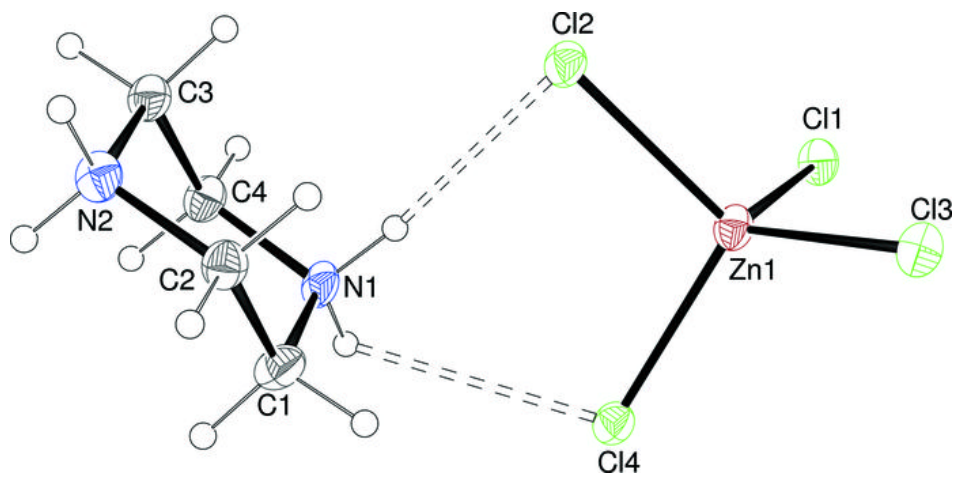




Fig. 2

