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Ammonium (*E*)-3-(4-hydroxy-3-methoxyphenyl)prop-2-enoate monohydrate

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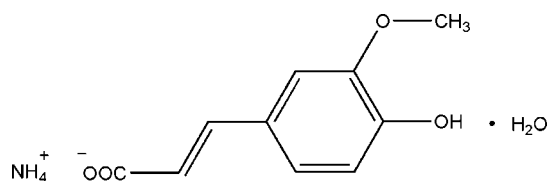
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 296$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.043;  $wR$  factor = 0.111; data-to-parameter ratio = 12.6.

In structure of the title compound ammonium ferulate monohydrate,  $\text{NH}_4^+ \cdot \text{C}_{10}\text{H}_9\text{O}_4^- \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{O}-\text{H} \cdots \text{O}$  and  $\text{N}-\text{H} \cdots \text{O}$  hydrogen bonds link the ammonium cations, ferulate anions and water molecules into a three-dimensional array. The ferulate anion is approximately planar, with a maximum deviation of 0.307 (2) Å.

## Related literature

For the biological activity of ferulic acid, see: Hirabayashi *et al.* (1995); Liyama *et al.* (1994); Nomura *et al.* (2003); Ogiwara *et al.* (2002); Ou *et al.* (2003).



## Experimental

## Crystal data

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 $c = 16.457$  (4) Å  
 $\beta = 100.525$  (3)°

$V = 1167.1$  (5) Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 4$   
 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
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 $0.30 \times 0.27 \times 0.26$  mm

## Data collection

Bruker APEXII diffractometer  
 5831 measured reflections  
 2090 independent reflections

1348 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.040$

## Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.043$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.111$   
 $S = 1.01$   
 2090 reflections  
 166 parameters  
 7 restraints

H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.18$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.18$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

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Data collection: APEX2 (Bruker, 2004); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2004); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 2008); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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### Comment

3-(4-Hydroxy-3-methoxyphenyl)-2-propenoic acid, also known as ferulic acid, is one of the main endogenous phenolic acids in plant kingdom (Liyama *et al.*, 1994). Attention was paid to the structural modifications of ferulic acid owing to its extensive bioactivities including anti-platelet aggregation, anti-oxidation, anti-inflammation, anti-tumor, anti-mutagenicity, antibiosis and immunity enhancement (Hirabayashi *et al.*, 1995; Ogiwara *et al.*, 2002). A series of ferulic acid derivatives were designed and synthesized, such as their salts, esters, ethers and amides, and some of them show the better bioactivities than those of ferulic acid (Nomura *et al.*, 2003; Ou *et al.*, 2003). The molecular and crystal structure of the title compound is presented in this article.

In the asymmetric unit of the title compound, illustrated in Fig. 1, there are an ammonium cation, one singly deprotonated 3-(4-hydroxy-3-methoxyphenyl)-2-propenoate anion, and one water molecule. The molecules are self-assembled by various O—H $\cdots$ O and N—H $\cdots$ O hydrogen bonds (Table 1 and Fig. 2), resulting in the formation of a three-dimensional supramolecular network.

### Experimental

A mixture of ferulic acid (0.388 g, 2 mmol) and ammonia (0.15 ml, 2 mmol) was stirred with methanol (20 ml) for 0.5 h at room temperature. After several days colourless block-like crystals, suitable for X-ray diffraction analysis, were obtained by slow evaporation of the solution.

### Refinement

The H atoms of water molecule and ammonium cation were found from difference Fourier maps and refined isotropically with a restraint of O—H = 0.87 (2) Å and H<sub>1W</sub> $\cdots$ H<sub>2W</sub> = 1.39 (2) Å for water molecule, N—H = 0.87 (2) Å for ammonium cation, and  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.5 U_{\text{eq}}(\text{O}, \text{N})$ . All other H atoms were positioned geometrically and refined as riding, with C—H = 0.93–0.96 Å, O—H = 0.82 Å, and with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2$  or  $1.5 U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C}, \text{O})$ .

### Figures

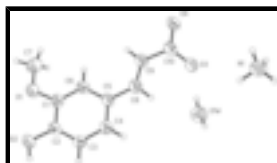


Fig. 1. The molecular structure showing the atomic-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.

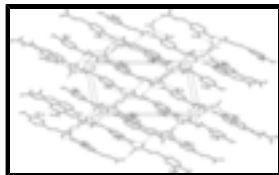


Fig. 2. The crystal packing showing the hydrogen bonding interactions as broken lines.

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$F(000) = 488$

$D_x = 1.305$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71073$  Å

Cell parameters from 1012 reflections

$\theta = 2.5$ – $21.0$ °

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$R_{\text{int}} = 0.040$

$\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.2$ °,  $\theta_{\text{min}} = 2.5$ °

$h = -9 \rightarrow 10$

$k = -9 \rightarrow 9$

$l = -19 \rightarrow 19$

### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$

Least-squares matrix: full

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.043$

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Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct  
methods

Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map

Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring  
sites

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$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0482P)^2 + 0.106P]$

where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$

$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.18$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.18$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

Extinction correction: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008),

$F_c^* = kF_c[1 + 0.001 \times F_c^2 \lambda^3 / \sin(2\theta)]^{-1/4}$

Extinction coefficient: 0.011 (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 ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )*

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
C1	0.9208 (2)	-0.0647 (2)	0.33845 (13)	0.0374 (5)
C2	0.9382 (2)	0.0503 (2)	0.27793 (12)	0.0361 (5)
C3	0.8765 (2)	0.2015 (2)	0.28226 (13)	0.0413 (5)
H3	0.8884	0.2782	0.2428	0.050*
C4	0.7969 (2)	0.2398 (3)	0.34519 (14)	0.0432 (6)
H4	0.7547	0.3421	0.3470	0.052*
C5	0.7786 (2)	0.1292 (2)	0.40548 (13)	0.0387 (5)
C6	0.8419 (2)	-0.0247 (2)	0.40114 (13)	0.0402 (5)
H6	0.8306	-0.1007	0.4410	0.048*
C7	0.9605 (3)	-0.3375 (3)	0.38312 (16)	0.0617 (7)
H7A	1.0047	-0.3081	0.4389	0.093*
H7B	1.0094	-0.4342	0.3687	0.093*
H7C	0.8496	-0.3550	0.3785	0.093*
C8	0.6979 (2)	0.1798 (3)	0.47158 (13)	0.0438 (6)
H8	0.6529	0.2815	0.4650	0.053*
C9	0.6790 (2)	0.1034 (3)	0.53912 (13)	0.0438 (6)
H9	0.7113	-0.0031	0.5454	0.053*
C10	0.6093 (3)	0.1780 (3)	0.60560 (14)	0.0413 (5)
O1	0.98669 (18)	-0.21136 (16)	0.32848 (9)	0.0492 (4)
O2	1.01519 (18)	0.00231 (17)	0.21705 (9)	0.0479 (4)
H2	1.0125	0.0744	0.1829	0.072*
O3	0.5464 (2)	0.31626 (18)	0.59297 (9)	0.0557 (5)
O4	0.61918 (18)	0.10581 (17)	0.67298 (9)	0.0503 (4)
N1	0.6808 (3)	0.7821 (2)	0.69610 (14)	0.0506 (5)
H10	0.674 (3)	0.894 (2)	0.6905 (15)	0.076*
H11	0.595 (2)	0.740 (3)	0.7154 (16)	0.076*
H12	0.685 (3)	0.733 (3)	0.6460 (12)	0.076*
H13	0.764 (2)	0.748 (3)	0.7335 (14)	0.076*
O1W	0.3143 (2)	0.3867 (2)	0.45407 (11)	0.0698 (6)
H1W	0.381 (3)	0.358 (3)	0.4970 (14)	0.105*
H2W	0.340 (3)	0.481 (2)	0.4400 (18)	0.105*

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

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
C1	0.0408 (12)	0.0330 (12)	0.0394 (13)	-0.0007 (9)	0.0098 (10)	-0.0022 (9)
C2	0.0411 (12)	0.0403 (12)	0.0302 (12)	-0.0040 (10)	0.0150 (10)	-0.0019 (9)
C3	0.0522 (14)	0.0365 (12)	0.0379 (13)	0.0032 (10)	0.0157 (11)	0.0069 (10)
C4	0.0514 (14)	0.0374 (12)	0.0436 (14)	0.0050 (10)	0.0160 (11)	0.0022 (10)
C5	0.0458 (13)	0.0380 (12)	0.0351 (12)	0.0004 (10)	0.0146 (10)	-0.0029 (10)
C6	0.0506 (13)	0.0395 (12)	0.0325 (12)	-0.0025 (10)	0.0128 (10)	0.0036 (10)
C7	0.0783 (19)	0.0395 (14)	0.0704 (19)	0.0025 (12)	0.0220 (15)	0.0129 (12)
C8	0.0524 (14)	0.0392 (12)	0.0431 (14)	0.0014 (10)	0.0171 (11)	-0.0034 (10)
C9	0.0572 (14)	0.0362 (12)	0.0414 (14)	0.0010 (11)	0.0182 (11)	-0.0016 (10)
C10	0.0491 (14)	0.0399 (13)	0.0374 (13)	-0.0037 (11)	0.0143 (11)	-0.0042 (11)
O1	0.0673 (10)	0.0356 (9)	0.0503 (10)	0.0052 (7)	0.0253 (8)	0.0039 (7)
O2	0.0635 (10)	0.0432 (9)	0.0443 (10)	0.0073 (8)	0.0290 (8)	0.0043 (7)
O3	0.0868 (13)	0.0443 (10)	0.0416 (10)	0.0147 (8)	0.0259 (9)	0.0026 (7)
O4	0.0731 (11)	0.0449 (9)	0.0375 (9)	0.0043 (8)	0.0223 (8)	0.0025 (7)
N1	0.0660 (15)	0.0430 (12)	0.0436 (13)	-0.0077 (11)	0.0120 (11)	0.0037 (10)
O1W	0.0854 (14)	0.0635 (12)	0.0582 (13)	0.0016 (11)	0.0068 (10)	-0.0008 (10)

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

C1—O1	1.371 (2)	C7—H7C	0.9600
C1—C6	1.378 (3)	C8—C9	1.317 (3)
C1—C2	1.409 (3)	C8—H8	0.9300
C2—O2	1.361 (2)	C9—C10	1.480 (3)
C2—C3	1.375 (3)	C9—H9	0.9300
C3—C4	1.383 (3)	C10—O4	1.250 (2)
C3—H3	0.9300	C10—O3	1.274 (2)
C4—C5	1.384 (3)	O2—H2	0.8200
C4—H4	0.9300	N1—H10	0.942 (17)
C5—C6	1.401 (3)	N1—H11	0.927 (17)
C5—C8	1.458 (3)	N1—H12	0.926 (17)
C6—H6	0.9300	N1—H13	0.903 (17)
C7—O1	1.428 (2)	O1W—H1W	0.863 (16)
C7—H7A	0.9600	O1W—H2W	0.863 (16)
C7—H7B	0.9600		
O1—C1—C6	125.42 (19)	O1—C7—H7C	109.5
O1—C1—C2	114.84 (18)	H7A—C7—H7C	109.5
C6—C1—C2	119.74 (19)	H7B—C7—H7C	109.5
O2—C2—C3	123.65 (18)	C9—C8—C5	129.8 (2)
O2—C2—C1	116.80 (18)	C9—C8—H8	115.1
C3—C2—C1	119.54 (18)	C5—C8—H8	115.1
C2—C3—C4	120.12 (19)	C8—C9—C10	123.5 (2)
C2—C3—H3	119.9	C8—C9—H9	118.3
C4—C3—H3	119.9	C10—C9—H9	118.3
C3—C4—C5	121.45 (19)	O4—C10—O3	122.48 (19)

C3—C4—H4	119.3	O4—C10—C9	118.9 (2)
C5—C4—H4	119.3	O3—C10—C9	118.6 (2)
C4—C5—C6	118.34 (19)	C1—O1—C7	117.54 (17)
C4—C5—C8	118.43 (19)	C2—O2—H2	109.5
C6—C5—C8	123.21 (19)	H10—N1—H11	111 (2)
C1—C6—C5	120.79 (19)	H10—N1—H12	111 (2)
C1—C6—H6	119.6	H11—N1—H12	108 (2)
C5—C6—H6	119.6	H10—N1—H13	114 (2)
O1—C7—H7A	109.5	H11—N1—H13	104 (2)
O1—C7—H7B	109.5	H12—N1—H13	108 (2)
H7A—C7—H7B	109.5	H1W—O1W—H2W	108 (2)

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Fig. 1

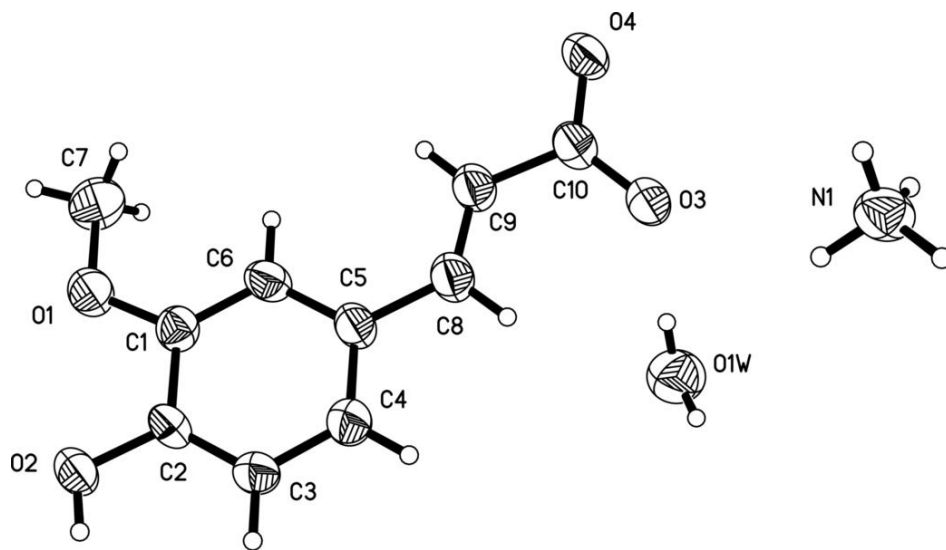




Fig. 2

