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# 3,4-Dihydroxybenzoic acid pyridine monosolvate

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; T = 296 K; mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.003 Å; R factor = 0.039; wR factor = 0.107; data-to-parameter ratio = 12.4.

The asymmetric unit of the title compound,  $C_7H_6O_4 \cdot C_5H_5N$ , consists of one 3,4-dihydroxybenzoic acid and one pyridine molecule, both located on general positions. The 3,4-dihydroxybenzoic acid molecules are arranged in layers and are connected by intermolecular O-H···O hydrogen bonding, forming channels along the *a* axis in which the pyridine molecules are located. The pyridine and the acid molecules are additionally linked by strong O-H···N hydrogen bonding and by weak  $\pi$ - $\pi$  stacking interactions with centroid-centroid distances between the pyridine rings of 3.727 (2) Å.

#### **Related literature**

For related structures see: Aitipamula & Nangia (2005); Mazurek et al. (2007).



# **Experimental**

#### Crystal data

C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O <sub>4</sub> ·C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>5</sub> N	
$M_r = 233.22$	
Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$	
a = 11.9907 (11)  Å	
b = 9.1400 (8) Å	
c = 10.3541 (9)  Å	
$\beta = 108.042 \ (1)^{\circ}$	

# Data collection

Bruker APEXII area-detector diffractometer 5415 measured reflections

#### Refinement

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.039$ wR(F<sup>2</sup>) = 0.107 157 parameters H-atom parameters constrained S = 1.05 $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.19 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^ \Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.20 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ 1939 reflections

# Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
O1-H1A···O4 <sup>i</sup>	0.82	1.95	2.6631 (17)	145
O2−H2···O1 <sup>ii</sup>	0.82	1.95	2.7654 (16)	173
O3-H3···N1 <sup>iii</sup>	0.82	1.77	2.5869 (19)	177

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

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: XP in SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 2008); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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### Comment

The title compound was obtained unexpectedly in an unsuccessful attempt to prepare a 3,4-dihydroxybenzoate zinc complex. To identify the product a single crystal structure determination was performed. In the crystal structure of the title compound (Fig. 1), the 3,4-dihydroxybenzoic acid molecules are connected via intermolecular O—H···O hydrogen bonding into layers, that are located in the b-c-plane (Table 1 and Fig. 2). These layers are stacked in order that channels are formed, that elongate in the direction of the *b* axis. The channels are occupied by solvate molecules in a manner similar to that observed previously in related structure (Aitipamula & Nangia, 2005; Mazurek *et al.*, 2007). The pyridine solvate molecules within the channels are connected to the acid molecules by O—H···N hydrogen bonding and by weak  $\pi$ - $\pi$  stacking interactions with centroid-to-centroid distances between related pyridine rings of 3.727 (2)Å (Fig. 2).

# Experimental

The compound was obtained unexpectedly in an unsuccessful attempt to prepare a 3,4-dihydroxybenzoate zinc complex. A mixture of 3,4-dihydroxybenzoic acid (0.31 g, 2 mmol), zinc chloride (0.136 g, 1 mmol) and pyridine (0.16 ml, 2 mmol) was stirred with methanol (15 ml) for 0.5 h at room temperature. Several days later, colorless block crystals suitable for X-ray analysis were obtained by slow evaporation of the mixed solution.

#### Refinement

All H atoms were placed at calculated positions (O-H H atoms allowed to rotate but not to tip and were treated as riding, with C—H = 0.93 and O—H = 0.82 Å, and with  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2$  or 1.5  $U_{eq}(C, O)$ .

#### **Figures**



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



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

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## Crystal data

$C_7H_6O_4$ · $C_5H_5N$	F(000) = 488
$M_r = 233.22$	$D_{\rm x} = 1.436 {\rm ~Mg~m}^{-3}$
Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$	Mo K $\alpha$ radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å
Hall symbol: -P 2ybc	Cell parameters from 1420 reflections
a = 11.9907 (11)  Å	$\theta = 2.9 - 25.4^{\circ}$
b = 9.1400 (8)  Å	$\mu = 0.11 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
c = 10.3541 (9)  Å	T = 296  K
$\beta = 108.042 \ (1)^{\circ}$	Block, colorless
$V = 1078.96 (17) \text{ Å}^3$	$0.30\times0.28\times0.26~mm$
Z = 4	

#### Data collection

Bruker APEXII area-detector diffractometer	1484 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube	$R_{\rm int} = 0.028$
graphite	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.2^{\circ}, \ \theta_{\text{min}} = 1.8^{\circ}$
f and $\omega$ scan	$h = -6 \rightarrow 14$
5415 measured reflections	$k = -10 \rightarrow 10$
1939 independent reflections	$l = -12 \rightarrow 12$

#### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods
Least-squares matrix: full	Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.039$	Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites
$wR(F^2) = 0.107$	H-atom parameters constrained
<i>S</i> = 1.05	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0507P)^2 + 0.1871P]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
1939 reflections	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$
157 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\text{max}} = 0.19 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
0 restraints	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.20 \ e \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$

#### 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.

	x	У	Ζ	$U_{\rm iso}*/U_{\rm eq}$
C1	0.10603 (14)	0.03303 (18)	0.32574 (17)	0.0312 (4)
H1	0.0994	-0.0100	0.2423	0.037*
C2	0.02226 (14)	0.13119 (18)	0.33621 (16)	0.0298 (4)
C3	0.03141 (15)	0.19523 (18)	0.46141 (17)	0.0325 (4)
C4	0.12446 (16)	0.1597 (2)	0.57352 (17)	0.0386 (4)
H4	0.1305	0.2020	0.6571	0.046*
C5	0.20928 (15)	0.0613 (2)	0.56300 (17)	0.0377 (4)
H5	0.2719	0.0382	0.6392	0.045*
C6	0.20063 (14)	-0.00256 (18)	0.43869 (16)	0.0307 (4)
C7	0.28879 (14)	-0.11003 (19)	0.42301 (17)	0.0329 (4)
C8	0.50997 (17)	0.6408 (2)	0.35399 (19)	0.0449 (5)
H8	0.4397	0.6633	0.2877	0.054*
C9	0.58295 (18)	0.5384 (2)	0.3254 (2)	0.0503 (5)
H9	0.5626	0.4930	0.2408	0.060*
C10	0.68609 (18)	0.5041 (2)	0.4233 (2)	0.0500 (5)
H10	0.7361	0.4339	0.4067	0.060*
C11	0.71475 (17)	0.5750 (2)	0.5466 (2)	0.0496 (5)
H11	0.7847	0.5545	0.6142	0.060*
C12	0.63792 (17)	0.6765 (2)	0.56739 (19)	0.0455 (5)
H12	0.6573	0.7247	0.6505	0.055*
01	-0.06869 (10)	0.16177 (13)	0.22200 (11)	0.0382 (3)
H1A	-0.1153	0.2163	0.2415	0.057*
O2	-0.05466 (11)	0.29250 (14)	0.46347 (12)	0.0425 (3)
H2	-0.0526	0.3074	0.5423	0.064*
O3	0.38824 (10)	-0.10876 (15)	0.51991 (13)	0.0486 (4)
H3	0.4329	-0.1683	0.5030	0.073*
O4	0.26885 (10)	-0.19100 (13)	0.32362 (12)	0.0384 (3)
N1	0.53651 (13)	0.70907 (16)	0.47356 (15)	0.0406 (4)

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters  $(\hat{A}^2)$ 

Atomic displacement parameters  $(Å^2)$ 

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
C1	0.0317 (9)	0.0346 (9)	0.0286 (9)	-0.0025 (8)	0.0110 (7)	-0.0007 (7)
C2	0.0274 (9)	0.0338 (9)	0.0265 (8)	-0.0004 (7)	0.0060 (7)	0.0050 (7)
C3	0.0339 (9)	0.0334 (9)	0.0329 (9)	0.0022 (8)	0.0140 (8)	0.0023 (7)
C4	0.0411 (10)	0.0464 (10)	0.0272 (9)	0.0039 (9)	0.0089 (8)	-0.0040 (8)
C5	0.0326 (10)	0.0453 (10)	0.0309 (9)	0.0041 (8)	0.0039 (8)	0.0002 (8)
C6	0.0278 (9)	0.0340 (9)	0.0299 (9)	-0.0015 (7)	0.0086 (7)	0.0016 (7)
C7	0.0287 (9)	0.0366 (9)	0.0323 (9)	-0.0012 (8)	0.0081 (8)	0.0032 (7)

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C8	0.0391 (11)	0.0522 (12)	0.0403 (11)	0.0056 (9)	0.0075 (9)	-0.0002 (9)
С9	0.0507 (12)	0.0546 (12)	0.0460 (11)	0.0056 (10)	0.0158 (10)	-0.0064 (10)
C10	0.0480 (12)	0.0494 (12)	0.0568 (13)	0.0128 (10)	0.0225 (11)	0.0041 (10)
C11	0.0397 (11)	0.0587 (13)	0.0477 (12)	0.0116 (10)	0.0093 (9)	0.0084 (10)
C12	0.0424 (11)	0.0538 (12)	0.0376 (10)	0.0046 (10)	0.0087 (9)	-0.0006 (9)
01	0.0351 (7)	0.0481 (8)	0.0290 (6)	0.0102 (6)	0.0065 (6)	0.0007 (5)
O2	0.0464 (8)	0.0500 (8)	0.0311 (7)	0.0165 (6)	0.0122 (6)	0.0008 (6)
03	0.0322 (7)	0.0618 (9)	0.0437 (8)	0.0133 (7)	0.0001 (6)	-0.0137 (6)
O4	0.0309 (7)	0.0457 (7)	0.0363 (7)	0.0017 (6)	0.0072 (5)	-0.0079 (6)
N1	0.0361 (9)	0.0441 (9)	0.0409 (9)	0.0054 (7)	0.0109 (7)	0.0005 (7)
Geometric nara	motors (Å °)					
	interes (A, )	1.254 (2)		N 7 1	1.00	
CI = C2		1.376 (2)	C8—	NI	1.33	54 (2) 75 (2)
CI = C6		1.392 (2)	C8—	C9	1.3	75 (3)
CI—HI		0.9300	C8—	H8	0.93	500 71 (2)
C2_01		1.3664 (18)	C9		1.3	(1 (3)
$C_2 = C_3$		1.395 (2)	C9	H9	0.93	500 77 (2)
$C_3 = C_2$		1.367(2)	C10-	-011	1.3	() (3)
$C_3 = C_4$		1.377(2)	C10-	-H10	0.93	500 71 (2)
C4—C5		1.387 (2)	C11-	-C12	1.5	(3)
C4—H4		0.9300	C11-	-HII	0.93	
C5		1.388 (2)	C12-		1.53	94 (2) 200
C3—H3		0.9300	01	-H12	0.93	00
CoC/		1.488 (2)	01—		0.82	200
C7 - 04		1.2294 (19)	02-	ΠZ	0.82	200
C/03		1.299 (2)	03—	n5 ~~ ~ ~ ~	0.82	.00
C2—C1—C6		120.72 (15)	03—	C/—C6	115	.02 (15)
С2—С1—Н1		119.6	N1—	C8—C9	122	.25 (18)
C6—C1—H1		119.6	N1—	С8—Н8	118	.9
01—C2—C1		118.14 (14)	C9—	С8—Н8	118	.9
O1—C2—C3		122.02 (15)	C10–	-C9C8	118	.97 (19)
C1—C2—C3		119.83 (15)	C10–	–С9—Н9	120	.5
O2—C3—C4		123.97 (15)	C8—	С9—Н9	120	.5
O2—C3—C2		116.41 (15)	C9—	C10—C11	119	.18 (19)
C4—C3—C2		119.62 (15)	C9—	C10—H10	120	.4
C3—C4—C5		120.62 (16)	C11-	-C10H10	120	.4
C3—C4—H4		119.7	C12-	-CIICI0	118	.50 (19)
С5—С4—Н4		119.7	C12-	-C11—H11	120	.7
C4—C5—C6		119.97 (16)	C10-	-CII—HII	120	.7
С4—С5—Н5		120.0	NI—	CI2—CII	122	.82 (18)
C6—C5—H5		120.0	NI—	C12—H12	118	.0
C5—C6—C1		119.23 (15)	C11–	-C12—H12	118	.6
C5—C6—C7		121.82 (15)	C2—	UI—HIA	109	.5
CI-C6-C7		118.94 (15)	C3—	02—H2	109	.5
04—C7—O3		123.08 (16)	C7—	O3—H3	109	.5
O4—C7—C6		121.87 (15)	C8—	N1-C12	118	.25 (16)

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

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