

## 2,2'-[*p*-Phenylenebis(methylideneazane-diyI)]dipyridinium bis(hydrogensulfate) dihydrate

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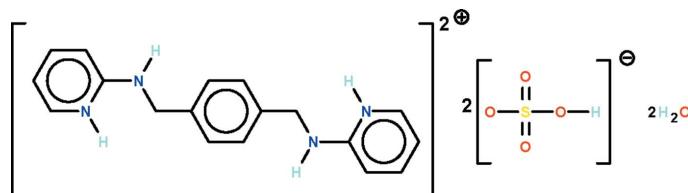
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 293\text{ K}$ ; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.004\text{ \AA}$ ;  $R$  factor = 0.040;  $wR$  factor = 0.143; data-to-parameter ratio = 15.3.

The cation of the title salt,  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_4^{2+} \cdot 2\text{HSO}_4^- \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , lies on a center of inversion with the mid-point directly in the middle of the *p*-phenylene ring. Within the hydrogensulfate ion, the S—O(H) bond is the longest of the S—O bonds. The dihedral angle between the central and terminal ring of the cation is  $78.6(2)^\circ$ . In the crystal, the cation, anion and water molecule interact by O—H···O and N—H···O hydrogen bonds, generating a three-dimensional network.

### Related literature

For the synthesis and structure of 1,4-bis(pyridine-2-amino-methyl)benzene, see: Zou *et al.* (2003).



### Experimental

#### Crystal data

$\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_4^{2+} \cdot 2\text{HSO}_4^- \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$   
 $M_r = 522.55$   
Triclinic,  $P\bar{1}$   
 $a = 7.1718(5)\text{ \AA}$   
 $b = 9.3010(7)\text{ \AA}$

$c = 9.5113(5)\text{ \AA}$   
 $\alpha = 97.648(2)^\circ$   
 $\beta = 92.340(2)^\circ$   
 $\gamma = 114.005(2)^\circ$   
 $V = 571.25(7)\text{ \AA}^3$

$Z = 1$   
Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 0.30\text{ mm}^{-1}$

$T = 293\text{ K}$   
 $0.25 \times 0.21 \times 0.18\text{ mm}$

#### Data collection

Rigaku R-AXIS RAPID diffractometer  
Absorption correction: multi-scan (*ABSCOR*; Higashi, 1995)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.930$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.949$

5648 measured reflections  
2583 independent reflections  
1624 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.024$

#### Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.040$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.143$   
 $S = 1.14$   
2583 reflections  
169 parameters  
5 restraints

H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement  
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.48\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.42\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

**Table 1**  
Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ ).

$D-\text{H} \cdots A$	$D-\text{H}$	$\text{H} \cdots A$	$D \cdots \cdot A$	$D-\text{H} \cdots A$
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Symmetry codes: (i)  $-x + 1, -y + 2, -z + 2$ ; (ii)  $-x, -y + 2, -z + 2$ ; (iii)  $x, y - 1, z$ .

Data collection: *RAPID-AUTO* (Rigaku, 1998); cell refinement: *RAPID-AUTO*; data reduction: *CrystalStructure* (Rigaku/MSC, 2002); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *X-SEED* (Barbour, 2001); software used to prepare material for publication: *pubCIF* (Westrip, 2010).

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## 2,2'-[*p*-Phenylenebis(methylideneazanediyil)]dipyridinium bis(hydrogensulfate) dihydrate

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### Comment

The synthesis complements other reports of the coordinating ability of 1,4-bis(2-pyridylaminomethyl)benzene, a relatively flexible *N*-donor ligand having aromatic as well as aliphatic donor sites. The structure of the neutral ligand has been reported (Zou *et al.*, 2003). Protonation by a strong acid, sulfuric acid, occurs at both pyridyl nitrogen atoms to yield the hydrogen-sulfate salt,  $C_{18}H_{20}N_4^{2+} \cdot 2(HSO_4)^- \cdot 2H_2O$  (Scheme I, Fig. 1). The cation lies on a center-of-inversion with the mid-point directly in the middle of the *p*-phenylene ring. The hydrogensulfate anion bears a hydrogen atom, so that the S–OH bond is the longest of the S–O bonds. The cation, anion and water molecule interact by O–H···O and N–H···O hydrogen bonds to generate a three-dimensional network (Table 1).

### Experimental

1,4-Bis(2-pyridylaminomethyl)benzene (10 mmol, 2.90 g) was dissolved in methanol (50 ml). Strong sulfuric acid was added until the pH was 3. The solution was filtered; colorless crystals were isolated after several days.

### Refinement

Carbon-bound hydrogen atoms were placed in calculated positions (C–H 0.93–0.97 Å) and were included in the refinement in the riding model approximation, with  $U(H)$  set to  $1.2U_{eq}(C)$ . The amino/ammonium and water H atoms were located in a difference Fourier map, and were refined with distance restraints of N–H  $0.88\pm0.01$  and O–H  $0.84 + 0.01$  Å; their temperature factors were refined.

### Figures

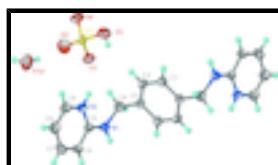
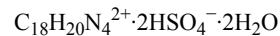


Fig. 1. Thermal ellipsoid plot (Barbour, 2001) of  $C_{18}H_{20}N_4^{2+} \cdot 2(HSO_4)^- \cdot 2H_2O$  at the 50% probability level; hydrogen atoms are drawn as spheres of arbitrary radius. The cation lies on a center-of-inversion.

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Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$

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## Data collection

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Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube graphite	1624 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
Detector resolution: 10.000 pixels mm <sup>-1</sup>	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.024$
$\omega$ scans	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.4^\circ, \theta_{\text{min}} = 3.1^\circ$
Absorption correction: multi-scan ( <i>ABSCOR</i> ; Higashi, 1995)	$h = -9 \rightarrow 8$
$T_{\text{min}} = 0.930, T_{\text{max}} = 0.949$	$k = -12 \rightarrow 12$
5648 measured 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
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.040$	Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites
$wR(F^2) = 0.143$	H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement
$S = 1.14$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0586P)^2 + 0.3231P]$
2583 reflections	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
169 parameters	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$
5 restraints	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.48 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
	$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.42 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

## Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (Å<sup>2</sup>)

	$x$	$y$	$z$	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
S1	0.19334 (11)	0.92763 (8)	0.76081 (7)	0.0379 (2)
O1	0.1234 (3)	0.7575 (2)	0.7264 (2)	0.0508 (5)
O2	0.2506 (5)	0.9842 (3)	0.9097 (2)	0.0767 (8)
O3	0.3889 (4)	1.0040 (3)	0.6846 (3)	0.0627 (7)
H3	0.481 (5)	0.981 (5)	0.719 (4)	0.094*
O4	0.0542 (3)	0.9850 (3)	0.7002 (3)	0.0566 (6)
O1W	0.3282 (4)	1.0635 (4)	1.2016 (3)	0.0730 (8)
H11	0.286 (7)	1.023 (6)	1.1157 (19)	0.110*
H12	0.218 (4)	1.055 (6)	1.235 (5)	0.110*

N1	0.1175 (4)	0.3172 (3)	0.7485 (2)	0.0418 (6)
H1	0.112 (5)	0.220 (2)	0.740 (4)	0.063*
N2	0.2258 (4)	0.5652 (3)	0.8961 (2)	0.0388 (5)
H2	0.202 (5)	0.606 (4)	0.821 (2)	0.058*
C1	0.5953 (5)	0.6591 (3)	0.4870 (3)	0.0409 (7)
H1A	0.6588	0.7665	0.4787	0.049*
C2	0.4067 (5)	0.6003 (3)	0.5401 (3)	0.0417 (7)
H2A	0.3444	0.6687	0.5668	0.050*
C3	0.3092 (4)	0.4410 (3)	0.5541 (3)	0.0363 (6)
C4	0.1038 (5)	0.3747 (4)	0.6143 (3)	0.0432 (7)
H4A	0.0537	0.4573	0.6301	0.052*
H4B	0.0057	0.2875	0.5452	0.052*
C5	0.1854 (4)	0.4078 (3)	0.8764 (3)	0.0342 (6)
C6	0.2159 (4)	0.3435 (4)	0.9964 (3)	0.0407 (6)
H6	0.1907	0.2362	0.9874	0.049*
C7	0.2830 (5)	0.4399 (4)	1.1269 (3)	0.0492 (8)
H7	0.3020	0.3970	1.2064	0.059*
C8	0.3230 (5)	0.6011 (4)	1.1422 (3)	0.0502 (8)
H8	0.3689	0.6664	1.2308	0.060*
C9	0.2939 (4)	0.6600 (4)	1.0261 (3)	0.0453 (7)
H9	0.3206	0.7676	1.0345	0.054*

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

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
S1	0.0398 (4)	0.0353 (4)	0.0421 (4)	0.0194 (3)	0.0045 (3)	0.0058 (3)
O1	0.0561 (13)	0.0329 (11)	0.0647 (14)	0.0198 (10)	0.0081 (10)	0.0079 (9)
O2	0.106 (2)	0.0816 (19)	0.0359 (13)	0.0403 (17)	-0.0082 (12)	-0.0100 (11)
O3	0.0481 (14)	0.0637 (16)	0.0861 (18)	0.0248 (12)	0.0202 (12)	0.0361 (13)
O4	0.0494 (13)	0.0527 (14)	0.0795 (16)	0.0314 (11)	0.0020 (11)	0.0175 (11)
O1W	0.0499 (15)	0.116 (2)	0.0588 (16)	0.0458 (16)	-0.0023 (12)	-0.0032 (15)
N1	0.0508 (15)	0.0357 (13)	0.0414 (13)	0.0204 (12)	0.0084 (10)	0.0059 (10)
N2	0.0420 (13)	0.0386 (14)	0.0403 (13)	0.0204 (11)	0.0020 (10)	0.0096 (10)
C1	0.0555 (18)	0.0352 (15)	0.0354 (15)	0.0226 (13)	0.0055 (12)	0.0047 (11)
C2	0.0557 (18)	0.0433 (17)	0.0371 (15)	0.0322 (15)	0.0059 (12)	0.0042 (12)
C3	0.0449 (16)	0.0423 (16)	0.0243 (13)	0.0220 (13)	0.0009 (10)	0.0025 (10)
C4	0.0469 (17)	0.0506 (18)	0.0346 (15)	0.0241 (14)	0.0008 (11)	0.0033 (12)
C5	0.0284 (13)	0.0360 (15)	0.0400 (15)	0.0138 (11)	0.0075 (10)	0.0096 (11)
C6	0.0418 (16)	0.0412 (16)	0.0472 (17)	0.0216 (13)	0.0103 (12)	0.0187 (12)
C7	0.0398 (16)	0.073 (2)	0.0443 (17)	0.0278 (15)	0.0096 (12)	0.0258 (15)
C8	0.0475 (18)	0.060 (2)	0.0428 (17)	0.0244 (16)	0.0010 (13)	0.0023 (14)
C9	0.0443 (17)	0.0401 (17)	0.0500 (17)	0.0184 (13)	0.0012 (13)	0.0009 (13)

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

S1—O2	1.425 (2)	C1—H1A	0.9300
S1—O1	1.437 (2)	C2—C3	1.385 (4)
S1—O4	1.443 (2)	C2—H2A	0.9300

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S1—O3	1.551 (2)	C3—C1 <sup>i</sup>	1.390 (4)
O3—H3	0.84 (1)	C3—C4	1.517 (4)
O1W—H11	0.84 (1)	C4—H4A	0.9700
O1W—H12	0.84 (1)	C4—H4B	0.9700
N1—C5	1.331 (4)	C5—C6	1.406 (4)
N1—C4	1.462 (4)	C6—C7	1.371 (4)
N1—H1	0.88 (1)	C6—H6	0.9300
N2—C5	1.356 (3)	C7—C8	1.394 (5)
N2—C9	1.362 (4)	C7—H7	0.9300
N2—H2	0.89 (1)	C8—C9	1.341 (4)
C1—C2	1.382 (4)	C8—H8	0.9300
C1—C3 <sup>i</sup>	1.390 (4)	C9—H9	0.9300
O2—S1—O1	112.24 (15)	C1 <sup>i</sup> —C3—C4	119.7 (3)
O2—S1—O4	113.33 (16)	N1—C4—C3	112.3 (2)
O1—S1—O4	113.05 (14)	N1—C4—H4A	109.1
O2—S1—O3	107.05 (17)	C3—C4—H4A	109.1
O1—S1—O3	107.22 (14)	N1—C4—H4B	109.1
O4—S1—O3	103.15 (13)	C3—C4—H4B	109.1
S1—O3—H3	109 (3)	H4A—C4—H4B	107.9
H11—O1W—H12	101 (5)	N1—C5—N2	121.3 (2)
C5—N1—C4	125.7 (2)	N1—C5—C6	121.2 (3)
C5—N1—H1	117 (2)	N2—C5—C6	117.5 (2)
C4—N1—H1	115 (2)	C7—C6—C5	119.6 (3)
C5—N2—C9	122.4 (2)	C7—C6—H6	120.2
C5—N2—H2	118 (2)	C5—C6—H6	120.2
C9—N2—H2	120 (2)	C6—C7—C8	121.0 (3)
C2—C1—C3 <sup>i</sup>	120.5 (3)	C6—C7—H7	119.5
C2—C1—H1A	119.7	C8—C7—H7	119.5
C3 <sup>i</sup> —C1—H1A	119.7	C9—C8—C7	118.4 (3)
C1—C2—C3	120.9 (3)	C9—C8—H8	120.8
C1—C2—H2A	119.6	C7—C8—H8	120.8
C3—C2—H2A	119.6	C8—C9—N2	121.2 (3)
C2—C3—C1 <sup>i</sup>	118.6 (3)	C8—C9—H9	119.4
C2—C3—C4	121.7 (3)	N2—C9—H9	119.4
C3 <sup>i</sup> —C1—C2—C3	0.3 (5)	C9—N2—C5—N1	179.5 (3)
C1—C2—C3—C1 <sup>i</sup>	-0.3 (4)	C9—N2—C5—C6	0.2 (4)
C1—C2—C3—C4	179.0 (2)	N1—C5—C6—C7	-179.0 (3)
C5—N1—C4—C3	80.0 (3)	N2—C5—C6—C7	0.3 (4)
C2—C3—C4—N1	-115.8 (3)	C5—C6—C7—C8	-0.5 (4)
C1 <sup>i</sup> —C3—C4—N1	63.5 (3)	C6—C7—C8—C9	0.2 (5)
C4—N1—C5—N2	8.5 (4)	C7—C8—C9—N2	0.3 (5)
C4—N1—C5—C6	-172.2 (3)	C5—N2—C9—C8	-0.5 (4)

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**Fig. 1**

