

## Poly[diacetonitrile[ $\mu_3$ -difluoro-(oxalato)borato]sodium]

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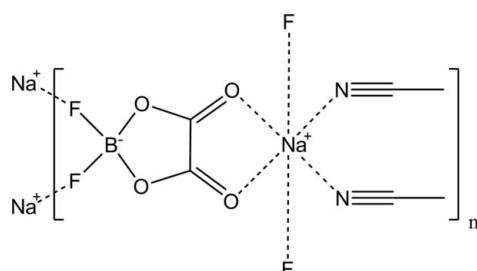
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 110\text{ K}$ ; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.001\text{ \AA}$ ;  $R$  factor = 0.037;  $wR$  factor = 0.112; data-to-parameter ratio = 40.0.

The title compound,  $[\text{Na}(\text{C}_2\text{BF}_2\text{O}_4)(\text{CH}_3\text{CN})_2]_n$ , forms infinite two-dimensional layers running parallel to (010). The layers lie across crystallographic mirror planes at  $y = 1/4$  and  $3/4$ . The  $\text{Na}^+$ ,  $\text{B}$  and two  $\text{F}$  atoms reside on these mirror planes. The  $\text{Na}^+$  cations are six-coordinate. Two equatorial coordination positions are occupied by acetonitrile molecules. The other two equatorial coordination sites are occupied by the chelating O atoms from the difluoro(oxalato)borate anion ( $\text{DFOB}^-$ ). The axial coordination sites are occupied by two F atoms from two different  $\text{DFOB}^-$  anions.

## Related literature

For the electrochemical properties of the  $\text{DFOB}^-$  anion, see: Zhang (2007); Chen *et al.* (2007); Fu *et al.* (2010). For ionic liquids based on the  $\text{DFOB}^-$  anion, see: Schreiner *et al.* (2009). For the benefits of ionic liquid additives in  $\text{Li}^+$  ion batteries, see: Kim *et al.* (2010); Schreiner *et al.* (2009); Sugimoto *et al.* (2009); Moosbauer *et al.* (2010).



## Experimental

### Crystal data

$[\text{Na}(\text{C}_2\text{BF}_2\text{O}_4)(\text{CH}_3\text{CN})_2]$	$V = 1075.76 (4)\text{ \AA}^3$
$M_r = 241.93$	$Z = 4$
Orthorhombic, $Pnma$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$a = 11.6932 (3)\text{ \AA}$	$\mu = 0.17\text{ mm}^{-1}$
$b = 14.1254 (3)\text{ \AA}$	$T = 110\text{ K}$
$c = 6.5130 (1)\text{ \AA}$	$0.38 \times 0.37 \times 0.23\text{ mm}$

### Data collection

Bruker–Nonius Kappa-axis X8	33523 measured reflections
APEXII diffractometer	3243 independent reflections
Absorption correction: multi-scan ( <i>SADABS</i> ; Bruker, 2009)	2599 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
$T_{\min} = 0.938$ , $T_{\max} = 0.961$	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.032$

### Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.037$	81 parameters
$wR(F^2) = 0.112$	H-atom parameters constrained
$S = 1.09$	$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.47\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
3243 reflections	$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.33\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

Data collection: *APEX2* (Bruker, 2009); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2009); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *ORTEP-3* (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *cif2tables.py* (Boyle, 2008).

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### Comment

Ionic liquids (ILs) have attracted much attention recently, especially room-temperature ionic liquids (RTILs), due to their many favorable properties including large liquid range, high conductivity, low vapor pressure, tailorabile hydrophobicity and high thermal stability. Recently, a new class of ILs based upon the DFOB<sup>-</sup> anion has been reported (Schreiner *et al.*, 2009). These ILs may contribute extensively to the solid-electrolyte interface (SEI) formation in Li-ion batteries (Zhang, 2007; Chen *et al.*, 2007; Fu *et al.*, 2010), especially when used as an additive (Kim *et al.*, 2010; Sugimoto *et al.*, 2009; Moosbauer *et al.*, 2010). The synthesis of ILs based on the DFOB<sup>-</sup> anion has thus far been a multi-step process involving the synthesis of tetrafluoroborate BF<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup>-based ILs, which are then reacted to displace two F atoms with an oxalate moiety to form DFOB<sup>-</sup> anions. The title compound, sodium difluoro(oxalato)borate (NaDFOB), can be used as an alternative reagent for the synthesis of DFOB<sup>-</sup>-based ILs by reacting it directly with bromide salts with organic cations producing the DFOB<sup>-</sup>-based ILs and NaBr. Therefore, the title compound may become an important reagent for use in the synthesis of ILs for Li-ion battery electrolytes.

The Na<sup>+</sup> cation in the title structure, which resides on a crystallographic mirror plane, is coordinated by two carbonyl O atoms from a single DFOB<sup>-</sup> anion, two F atoms from two distinct DFOB<sup>-</sup> anions and two N atoms from two acetonitrile molecules (Fig. 1). The pseudo-octahedral structure is packed in the crystal structure such that Z = 4 (Fig. 2), forming two dimensional layers in which acetonitrile molecules form the exterior of the layer (Fig. 3). The shortest C···C contact between the acetonitrile exteriors of the layers is 3.675 Å.

### Experimental

NaDFOB was synthesized by the direct reaction of excess boron trifluoride diethyl etherate (BF<sub>3</sub>-ether) with sodium oxalate, both used as-received from Sigma-Aldrich. The resulting salt was extracted with anhydrous acetonitrile (Sigma-Aldrich) by dissolving the NaDFOB and filtering off the NaF solid byproduct. NaDFOB was allowed to slow crystallize at -20°C forming colorless crystals suitable for X-ray analysis.

### Refinement

The structure was solved by direct methods using the *XS* program. All non-hydrogen atoms were obtained from the initial solution. The hydrogen atoms were introduced at idealized positions and were allowed to ride on the parent carbon atom. The CH<sub>3</sub> orientation and the C—H distance were allowed to vary during the refinement. The structural model was fit to the data using full matrix least-squares based on  $F^2$ . The calculated structure factors included corrections for anomalous dispersion from the usual tabulation. The structure was refined using the *XL* program from *SHELXTL*, graphic plots were produced using the *ORTEP-3* crystallographic program suite.

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## Figures

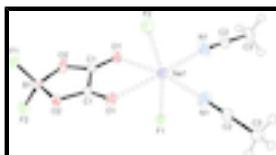


Fig. 1. Asymmetric unit of  $(AN)_2\text{NaDFOB}$  reflected across its mirror plane with naming/numbering scheme. Thermal ellipsoids are at 50% probability (Na-purple, O-red, F-green, B-tan, C-grey, N-blue).

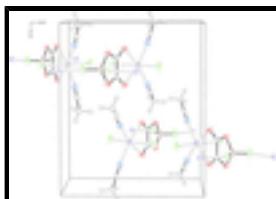


Fig. 2. Ion and solvent coordination in  $(AN)_2\text{NaDFOB}$ . Thermal ellipsoids are at 50% probability (Na-purple, O-red, F-green, B-tan, C-grey, N-blue).

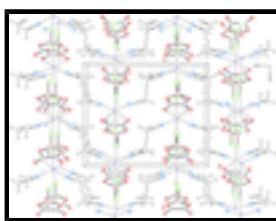


Fig. 3. Packing diagram of  $(AN)_2\text{NaDFOB}$ . Thermal ellipsoids are at 50% probability (Na-purple, O-red, F-green, B-tan, C-grey, N-blue).

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$T_{\text{min}} = 0.938$ , $T_{\text{max}} = 0.961$	$h = -20 \rightarrow 20$
33523 measured reflections	$k = -25 \rightarrow 22$
	$l = -11 \rightarrow 11$

## *Refinement*

Refinement on $F^2$	Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods
Least-squares matrix: full	Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.037$	Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites
$wR(F^2) = 0.112$	H-atom parameters constrained
$S = 1.09$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0573P)^2 + 0.1343P]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
3243 reflections	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.001$
81 parameters	$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.47 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
0 restraints	$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.33 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

## *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.

## *Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )*

	$x$	$y$	$z$	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
Na1	0.53868 (3)	0.2500	0.20509 (6)	0.01770 (9)
O1	0.44700 (5)	0.14747 (4)	-0.05163 (8)	0.02226 (11)
O2	0.34387 (5)	0.16659 (4)	-0.34157 (8)	0.02147 (11)
C1	0.40112 (5)	0.19563 (4)	-0.18020 (9)	0.01607 (11)
B1	0.30460 (9)	0.2500	-0.46233 (16)	0.01987 (18)
F1	0.35481 (6)	0.2500	-0.65402 (9)	0.02390 (13)
F2	0.18741 (6)	0.2500	-0.47948 (11)	0.0361 (2)
N1	0.60143 (7)	0.12710 (6)	0.43675 (12)	0.03178 (16)
C2	0.62179 (6)	0.07466 (5)	0.56558 (11)	0.02313 (13)
C3	0.64674 (7)	0.00803 (5)	0.72867 (13)	0.02731 (15)
H3A	0.6132 (7)	0.0290 (3)	0.8509 (11)	0.041*
H3B	0.7260 (7)	0.0035 (4)	0.7461 (9)	0.041*
H3C	0.6171 (7)	-0.0515 (5)	0.6943 (7)	0.041*

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

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
Na1	0.01740 (17)	0.02188 (18)	0.01382 (16)	0.000	-0.00027 (12)	0.000

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O1	0.0307 (3)	0.0182 (2)	0.0179 (2)	0.00205 (17)	-0.00250 (18)	0.00271 (15)
O2	0.0256 (2)	0.0215 (2)	0.0174 (2)	-0.00691 (17)	-0.00341 (17)	-0.00137 (16)
C1	0.0167 (2)	0.0164 (2)	0.0151 (2)	-0.00148 (17)	0.00062 (18)	-0.00046 (17)
B1	0.0140 (4)	0.0303 (5)	0.0153 (4)	0.000	-0.0009 (3)	0.000
F1	0.0217 (3)	0.0354 (3)	0.0146 (2)	0.000	0.0017 (2)	0.000
F2	0.0139 (3)	0.0714 (6)	0.0230 (3)	0.000	-0.0036 (2)	0.000
N1	0.0300 (3)	0.0352 (3)	0.0301 (3)	0.0053 (3)	-0.0019 (3)	0.0104 (3)
C2	0.0211 (3)	0.0235 (3)	0.0247 (3)	0.0018 (2)	-0.0018 (2)	0.0026 (2)
C3	0.0334 (4)	0.0199 (3)	0.0287 (3)	-0.0007 (2)	-0.0077 (3)	0.0053 (2)

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

Na1—N1	2.4143 (8)	C1—C1 <sup>i</sup>	1.5360 (12)
Na1—N1 <sup>i</sup>	2.4143 (8)	B1—F2	1.3748 (12)
Na1—F2 <sup>ii</sup>	2.2768 (8)	B1—F1	1.3797 (12)
Na1—F1 <sup>iii</sup>	2.3377 (7)	B1—O2 <sup>i</sup>	1.4892 (8)
Na1—O1	2.4582 (6)	F1—Na1 <sup>iv</sup>	2.3377 (7)
Na1—O1 <sup>i</sup>	2.4582 (6)	F2—Na1 <sup>v</sup>	2.2768 (8)
Na1—C1	3.0780 (7)	N1—C2	1.1443 (10)
Na1—C1 <sup>i</sup>	3.0780 (7)	C2—C3	1.4489 (10)
O1—C1	1.2049 (8)	C3—H3A	0.9359
O2—C1	1.3119 (8)	C3—H3B	0.9359
O2—B1	1.4892 (8)	C3—H3C	0.9359
F2 <sup>ii</sup> —Na1—F1 <sup>iii</sup>	162.92 (3)	O1 <sup>i</sup> —Na1—C1 <sup>i</sup>	21.651 (16)
F2 <sup>ii</sup> —Na1—N1 <sup>i</sup>	99.86 (3)	C1—Na1—C1 <sup>i</sup>	28.90 (2)
F1 <sup>iii</sup> —Na1—N1 <sup>i</sup>	91.96 (2)	C1—O1—Na1	109.52 (4)
F2 <sup>ii</sup> —Na1—N1	99.86 (3)	C1—O2—B1	109.46 (5)
F1 <sup>iii</sup> —Na1—N1	91.96 (2)	O1—C1—O2	127.40 (6)
N1 <sup>i</sup> —Na1—N1	91.96 (4)	O1—C1—C1 <sup>i</sup>	124.38 (4)
F2 <sup>ii</sup> —Na1—O1	83.93 (2)	O2—C1—C1 <sup>i</sup>	108.22 (4)
F1 <sup>iii</sup> —Na1—O1	82.29 (2)	O1—C1—Na1	48.83 (3)
N1 <sup>i</sup> —Na1—O1	168.90 (3)	O2—C1—Na1	176.22 (4)
N1—Na1—O1	97.70 (2)	C1 <sup>i</sup> —C1—Na1	75.551 (11)
F2 <sup>ii</sup> —Na1—O1 <sup>i</sup>	83.93 (2)	F2—B1—F1	110.52 (8)
F1 <sup>iii</sup> —Na1—O1 <sup>i</sup>	82.29 (2)	F2—B1—O2 <sup>i</sup>	110.50 (5)
N1 <sup>i</sup> —Na1—O1 <sup>i</sup>	97.70 (2)	F1—B1—O2 <sup>i</sup>	110.29 (5)
N1—Na1—O1 <sup>i</sup>	168.90 (3)	F2—B1—O2	110.50 (5)
O1—Na1—O1 <sup>i</sup>	72.20 (3)	F1—B1—O2	110.29 (5)
F2 <sup>ii</sup> —Na1—C1	82.71 (2)	O2 <sup>i</sup> —B1—O2	104.59 (7)
F1 <sup>iii</sup> —Na1—C1	80.76 (2)	B1—F1—Na1 <sup>iv</sup>	138.30 (6)
N1 <sup>i</sup> —Na1—C1	147.97 (2)	B1—F2—Na1 <sup>v</sup>	144.47 (6)
N1—Na1—C1	119.27 (2)	C2—N1—Na1	170.74 (7)
O1—Na1—C1	21.651 (16)	N1—C2—C3	179.60 (9)
O1 <sup>i</sup> —Na1—C1	50.549 (18)	C2—C3—H3A	109.5

F2 <sup>ii</sup> —Na1—C1 <sup>i</sup>	82.71 (2)	C2—C3—H3B	109.5
F1 <sup>iii</sup> —Na1—C1 <sup>i</sup>	80.76 (2)	H3A—C3—H3B	109.5
N1 <sup>i</sup> —Na1—C1 <sup>i</sup>	119.27 (2)	C2—C3—H3C	109.5
N1—Na1—C1 <sup>i</sup>	147.97 (2)	H3A—C3—H3C	109.5
O1—Na1—C1 <sup>i</sup>	50.549 (18)	H3B—C3—H3C	109.5
F2 <sup>ii</sup> —Na1—O1—C1	-85.53 (5)	F2 <sup>ii</sup> —Na1—C1—C1 <sup>i</sup>	-88.110 (6)
F1 <sup>iii</sup> —Na1—O1—C1	84.36 (5)	F1 <sup>iii</sup> —Na1—C1—C1 <sup>i</sup>	87.597 (6)
N1 <sup>i</sup> —Na1—O1—C1	25.08 (17)	N1 <sup>i</sup> —Na1—C1—C1 <sup>i</sup>	8.83 (5)
N1—Na1—O1—C1	175.30 (5)	N1—Na1—C1—C1 <sup>i</sup>	174.65 (3)
O1 <sup>i</sup> —Na1—O1—C1	0.02 (5)	O1—Na1—C1—C1 <sup>i</sup>	179.98 (5)
C1 <sup>i</sup> —Na1—O1—C1	0.01 (3)	O1 <sup>i</sup> —Na1—C1—C1 <sup>i</sup>	0.01 (2)
Na1—O1—C1—O2	179.80 (5)	C1—O2—B1—F2	-121.16 (7)
Na1—O1—C1—C1 <sup>i</sup>	-0.02 (5)	C1—O2—B1—F1	116.34 (6)
B1—O2—C1—O1	-178.41 (7)	C1—O2—B1—O2 <sup>i</sup>	-2.23 (9)
B1—O2—C1—C1 <sup>i</sup>	1.44 (6)	F2—B1—F1—Na1 <sup>iv</sup>	180.0
B1—O2—C1—Na1	-176.1 (7)	O2 <sup>i</sup> —B1—F1—Na1 <sup>iv</sup>	57.51 (5)
F2 <sup>ii</sup> —Na1—C1—O1	91.91 (5)	O2—B1—F1—Na1 <sup>iv</sup>	-57.51 (5)
F1 <sup>iii</sup> —Na1—C1—O1	-92.38 (5)	F1—B1—F2—Na1 <sup>v</sup>	0.0
N1 <sup>i</sup> —Na1—C1—O1	-171.15 (6)	O2 <sup>i</sup> —B1—F2—Na1 <sup>v</sup>	122.36 (5)
N1—Na1—C1—O1	-5.34 (6)	O2—B1—F2—Na1 <sup>v</sup>	-122.36 (5)
O1 <sup>i</sup> —Na1—C1—O1	-179.97 (7)	F2 <sup>ii</sup> —Na1—N1—C2	156.5 (5)
C1 <sup>i</sup> —Na1—C1—O1	-179.98 (5)	F1 <sup>iii</sup> —Na1—N1—C2	-35.9 (5)
F2 <sup>ii</sup> —Na1—C1—O2	89.5 (7)	N1 <sup>i</sup> —Na1—N1—C2	56.1 (5)
F1 <sup>iii</sup> —Na1—C1—O2	-94.8 (7)	O1—Na1—N1—C2	-118.4 (5)
N1 <sup>i</sup> —Na1—C1—O2	-173.6 (7)	O1 <sup>i</sup> —Na1—N1—C2	-94.4 (5)
N1—Na1—C1—O2	-7.7 (7)	C1—Na1—N1—C2	-116.4 (5)
O1—Na1—C1—O2	-2.4 (7)	C1 <sup>i</sup> —Na1—N1—C2	-111.6 (5)
O1 <sup>i</sup> —Na1—C1—O2	177.6 (7)	Na1—N1—C2—C3	66 (14)
C1 <sup>i</sup> —Na1—C1—O2	177.6 (7)		

Symmetry codes: (i)  $x, -y+1/2, z$ ; (ii)  $x+1/2, -y+1/2, -z-1/2$ ; (iii)  $x, y, z+1$ ; (iv)  $x, y, z-1$ ; (v)  $x-1/2, -y+1/2, -z-1/2$ .

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Fig. 1

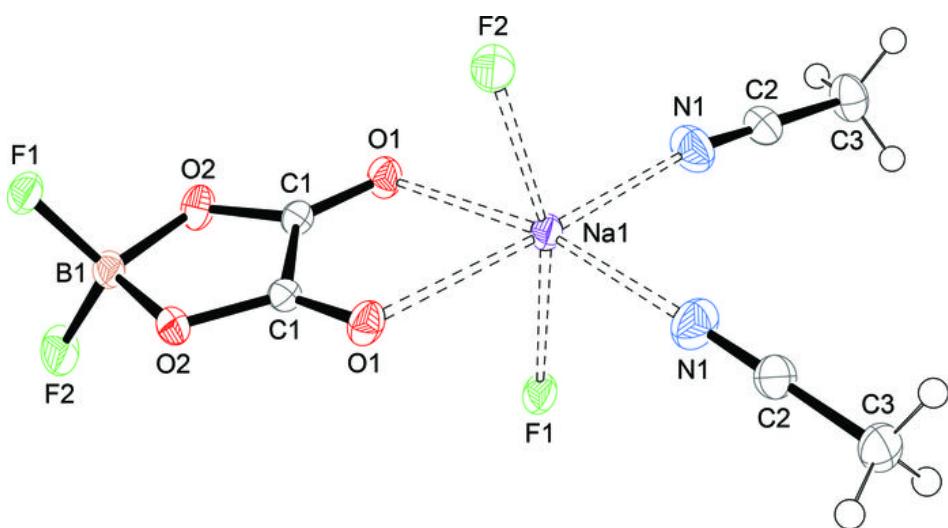
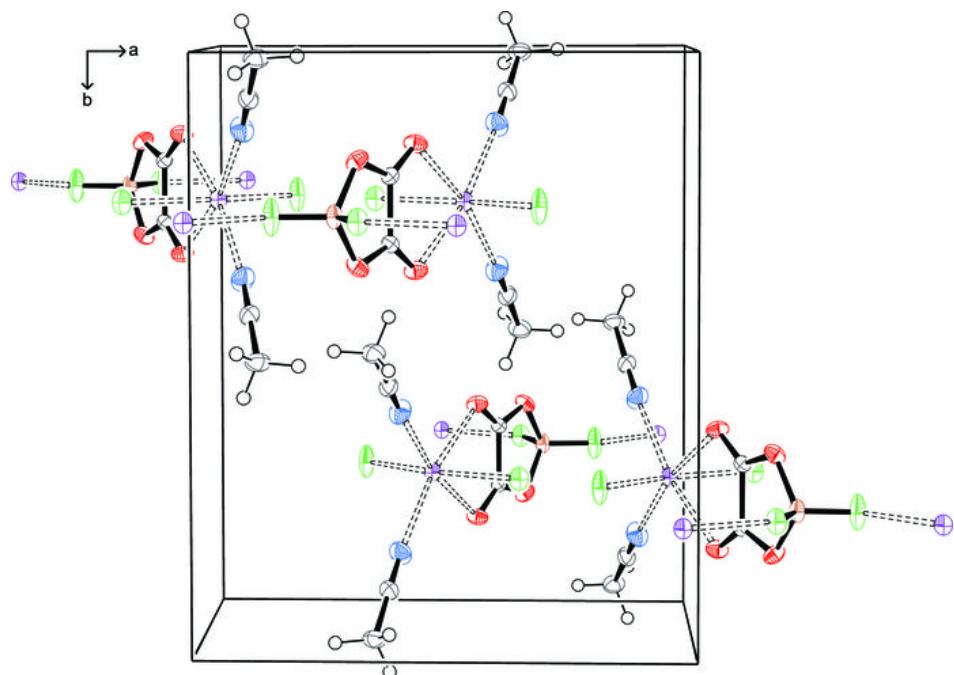


Fig. 2



## supplementary materials

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Fig. 3

