

## 2-Amino-1-methyl-4-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-imidazol-3-ium chloride

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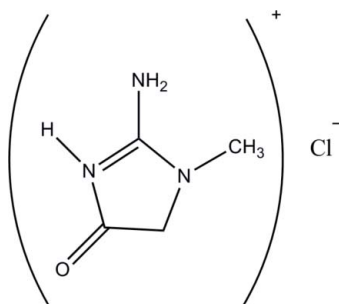
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 120$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.002$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.026;  $wR$  factor = 0.074; data-to-parameter ratio = 14.1.

In the crystal structure of the title compound,  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_8\text{N}_3\text{O}^+\cdot\text{Cl}^-$ ,  $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{Cl}$  hydrogen bonds link the components into chains along [010]. In addition, weak  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{Cl}$  hydrogen bonds link the chains into a two-dimensional network perpendicular to (001).

### Related literature

For creatinine (2-amino-1-methyl-5H-imidazol-4-one), which is used in the synthesis of some 1:1 proton-transfer compounds, see; Moghimi *et al.* (2004); Soleimannejad *et al.* (2005). For related structures, see: Tabatabaee *et al.* (2007); Bujak & Zaleski (2002); Tabatabaee, Abbasi *et al.* (2011); Tabatabaee, Tahriiri *et al.* (2011, 2012); Tabatabaee, Adineh *et al.* (2012). For background information on weak  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{Cl}$  hydrogen bonds, see: Freytag & Jones (2000); Taylor & Kennard (1982).



### Experimental

#### Crystal data

$\text{C}_4\text{H}_8\text{N}_3\text{O}^+\cdot\text{Cl}^-$

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$b = 7.7073$  (2) Å

$c = 10.2215$  (3) Å

$\beta = 98.369$  (2)°

$V = 659.52$  (3) Å<sup>3</sup>

$Z = 4$

Cu  $K\alpha$  radiation

$\mu = 4.51$  mm<sup>-1</sup>

$T = 120$  K

$0.57 \times 0.35 \times 0.15$  mm

#### Data collection

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Absorption correction: multi-scan

(*CrysAlis PRO*; Oxford

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$T_{\min} = 0.509$ ,  $T_{\max} = 1.000$

5373 measured reflections

1167 independent reflections

1158 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$

$R_{\text{int}} = 0.023$

#### Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.026$

$wR(F^2) = 0.074$

$S = 1.08$

1167 reflections

83 parameters

H-atom parameters constrained

$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.28$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

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

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-\text{H}\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}$	$\text{H}\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}\cdots A$
$\text{N1}-\text{H1}\cdots\text{Cl1}^{\text{i}}$	0.86	2.42	3.2714 (12)	169
$\text{N1}-\text{H2}\cdots\text{Cl1}^{\text{ii}}$	0.86	2.32	3.1506 (12)	163
$\text{N2}-\text{H3}\cdots\text{Cl1}$	0.89	2.31	3.1808 (11)	165
$\text{C2}-\text{H4}\cdots\text{Cl1}^{\text{iii}}$	0.97	2.69	3.6271 (14)	162
$\text{C4}-\text{H8}\cdots\text{Cl1}^{\text{i}}$	0.96	2.77	3.7241 (13)	175

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

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In continuation of our research to synthesize transition metal complexes with dicarboxylic acids (especially pyridine-2,6-dicarboxylic acid) in the presence of some amino compounds (Tabatabaee, Abbasi *et al.*, 2011; Tabatabaee, Tahriri *et al.*, 2011; Tabatabaee, Tahriri *et al.*, 2012; Tabatabaee, Adineh *et al.*, 2012), the reaction of zirconium tetrachloride, with pyridine-2,6-dicarboxylic acid in the presence of creatinine was performed. The title compound (I) was fortuitously obtained as a result of this reaction. Creatinine has previously been used as a proton acceptor in the synthesis of some 1:1 proton-transfer compounds (Moghimi *et al.*, 2004; Soleimannejad *et al.*, 2005).

The molecular structure of (I) is shown in Fig. 1. During the reaction a proton was transferred to the ring N atom of the creatinine (2-Amino-1-methyl-5H-imidazol-4-one) molecule. In (I) the C3—N1 bond [1.3094 (18) Å] and C3—N2 bond [1.3647 (17) Å] can be compared to the C=N bond [1.3108 (18) Å] and C—N bond [1.3612 (17) Å] in the reported proton transfer compound, bis(creatininium)2,5-dicarboxybenzene-1,4-dicarboxylate (Tabatabaee *et al.*, 2007).

In the crystal, intermolecular N—H...Cl hydrogen bonds link the components into one-dimensional chains along [010]. In addition, weak intermolecular C—H...Cl hydrogen bonds link one-dimensional-chains into a two-dimensional network perpendicular to (001) (Fig. 2). When compared with the crystal structure of 1,2,4-triazolium chloride (Bujak & Zaleski 2002), the N—H...Cl interactions are weaker in the present structure while C—H...Cl interactions are similar. For the weak intermolecular hydrogen bonds the C—H...Cl angles are in the range of those previously reported (Freytag & Jones, 2000; Taylor & Kennard, 1982).

**Experimental**

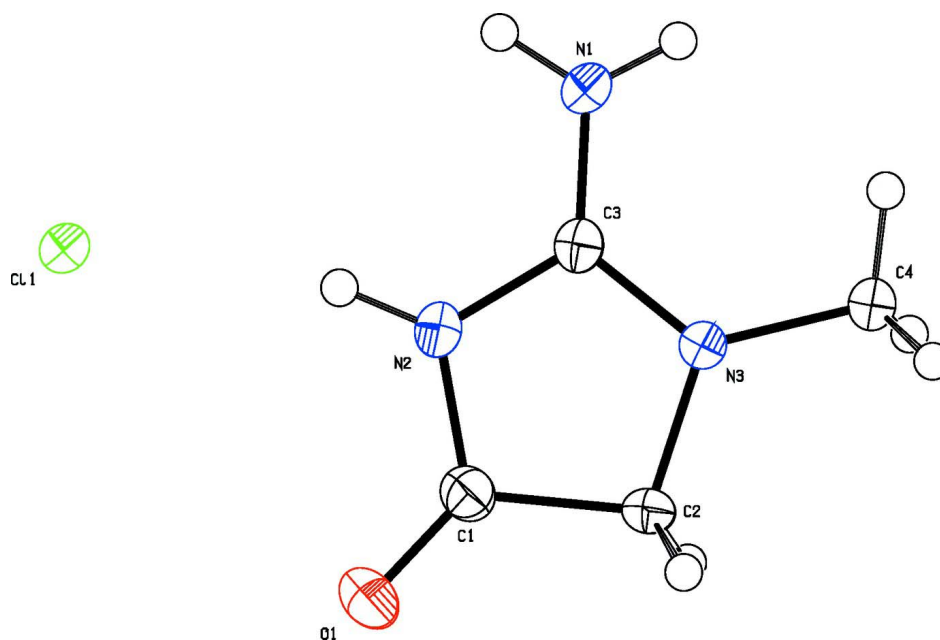
An aqueous solution of ZrCl<sub>4</sub> (0.233 g, 1 mmol) in water (10 ml) was added to a stirring solution of (20 ml) pyridine-2,6-dicarboxylic acid (0.167 g, 1 mmol) and creatinine (0.113 g, 1 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at 298K for 4 h. The resulting solid residue was filtered and the colorless crystals of the title compound were obtained after few days at 277K from mother liquor.

**Refinement**

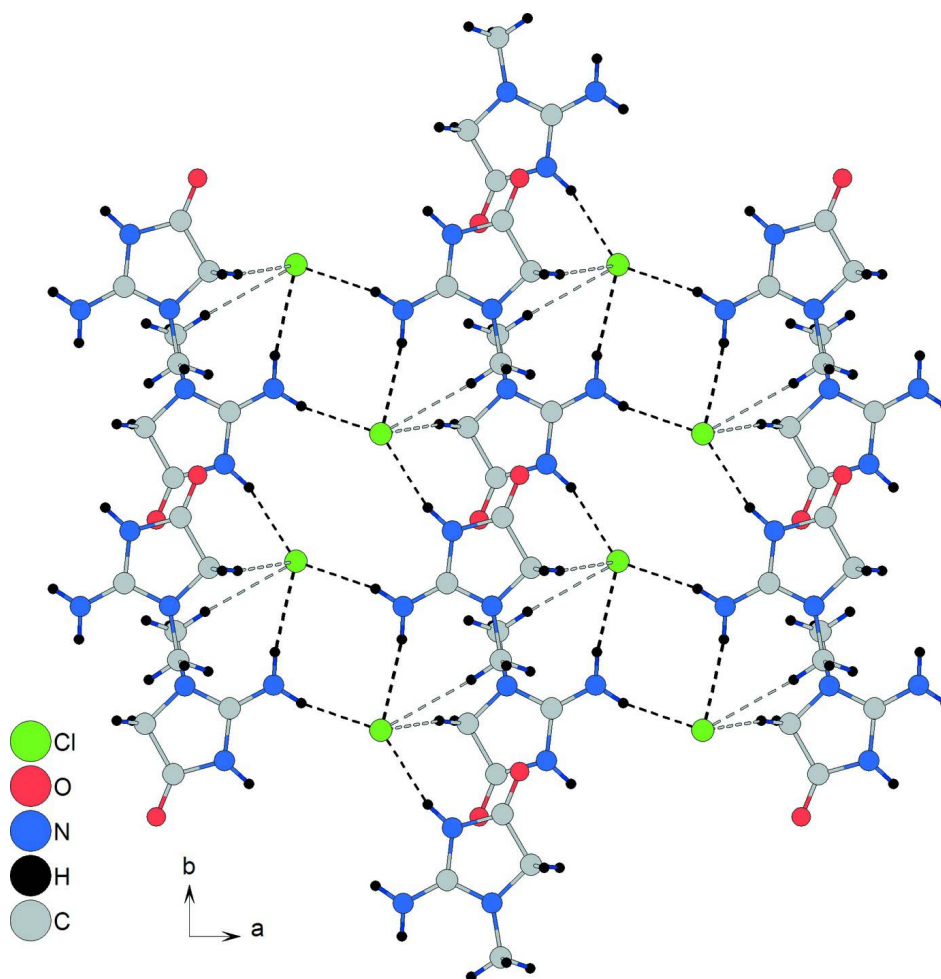
H atoms bonded to C atoms were included in calculated positions with C—H = 0.96 and 0.97 Å and with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.5U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ . H atoms bonded to N atom were included with N—H 0.86 and 0.89 Å and with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.5U_{\text{eq}}(\text{N})$ .

**Computing details**

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**Figure 1**

The molecular structure of (I). Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability.



**Figure 2**

Part of the crystal structure with N—H $\cdots$ Cl hydrogen bonds shown as black dashed lines and weak C—H $\cdots$ Cl hydrogen bonds shown as grey dashed lines.

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Rotation method data acquisition using $\omega$ scans	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.023$
Absorption correction: multi-scan ( <i>CrysAlis PRO</i> ; Oxford Diffraction, 2010)	$\theta_{\max} = 67.0^\circ$ , $\theta_{\min} = 6.4^\circ$
	$h = -10 \rightarrow 9$
	$k = -9 \rightarrow 9$
	$l = -12 \rightarrow 11$

Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map
Least-squares matrix: full	Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.026$	H-atom parameters constrained
$wR(F^2) = 0.074$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0471P)^2 + 0.1996P]$
$S = 1.08$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
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0 restraints	$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.18 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods	

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. The H atoms were all located in a difference map, but those attached to carbon atoms and the nitrogen atom in amino group were repositioned geometrically. The H atoms were initially refined with soft restraints on the bond lengths and angles to regularize their geometry (C—H in the range 0.93–0.98, N—H in the range 0.86–0.89 N—H to 0.86 O—H = 0.82 Å) and  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H})$  (in the range 1.2 times  $U_{\text{eq}}$  of the parent atom). The distance between hydrogen atom H3 and N2 was left unrestrained.

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

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
Cl1	0.86814 (3)	0.71590 (4)	0.45236 (3)	0.02046 (16)
O1	0.43618 (13)	0.57647 (13)	0.32081 (12)	0.0358 (3)
N1	0.79940 (13)	0.13245 (15)	0.41934 (11)	0.0238 (3)
H1	0.8035	0.0210	0.4217	0.029*
H2	0.8847	0.1923	0.4421	0.029*
N2	0.64629 (13)	0.38708 (14)	0.37714 (11)	0.0217 (3)
H3	0.7227	0.4646	0.4031	0.026*
C1	0.48933 (16)	0.43236 (18)	0.33205 (13)	0.0234 (3)
C2	0.40103 (16)	0.26312 (17)	0.30246 (14)	0.0211 (3)
H4	0.3128	0.2525	0.3529	0.025*
H5	0.3606	0.2526	0.2090	0.025*
N3	0.52395 (13)	0.13463 (14)	0.34360 (11)	0.0189 (3)

C3	0.66330 (16)	0.21100 (17)	0.38107 (13)	0.0184 (3)
C4	0.49578 (15)	-0.04876 (17)	0.31667 (13)	0.0222 (3)
H6	0.4772	-0.0674	0.2228	0.027*
H7	0.4040	-0.0858	0.3545	0.027*
H8	0.5876	-0.1142	0.3549	0.027*

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

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
Cl1	0.0170 (2)	0.0197 (2)	0.0238 (2)	-0.00117 (10)	0.00001 (14)	-0.00029 (10)
O1	0.0308 (6)	0.0202 (6)	0.0562 (7)	0.0037 (4)	0.0058 (5)	0.0023 (5)
N1	0.0176 (6)	0.0207 (6)	0.0312 (6)	-0.0022 (4)	-0.0029 (5)	-0.0001 (5)
N2	0.0203 (6)	0.0182 (6)	0.0262 (6)	-0.0030 (4)	0.0019 (5)	-0.0020 (4)
C1	0.0225 (7)	0.0205 (7)	0.0279 (7)	0.0009 (5)	0.0055 (5)	0.0006 (5)
C2	0.0162 (7)	0.0191 (6)	0.0276 (7)	0.0028 (5)	0.0021 (5)	0.0011 (6)
N3	0.0166 (5)	0.0163 (6)	0.0233 (6)	-0.0002 (4)	0.0007 (4)	0.0001 (4)
C3	0.0203 (7)	0.0188 (7)	0.0163 (6)	-0.0019 (5)	0.0032 (5)	-0.0007 (4)
C4	0.0195 (7)	0.0175 (6)	0.0285 (7)	-0.0017 (5)	0.0002 (5)	-0.0008 (5)

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

O1—C1	1.1976 (18)	C2—N3	1.4533 (16)
N1—C3	1.3094 (18)	C2—H4	0.9700
N1—H1	0.8600	C2—H5	0.9700
N1—H2	0.8600	N3—C3	1.3237 (18)
N2—C3	1.3647 (17)	N3—C4	1.4530 (17)
N2—C1	1.3856 (17)	C4—H6	0.9600
N2—H3	0.8921	C4—H7	0.9600
C1—C2	1.5118 (19)	C4—H8	0.9600
C3—N1—H1	120.0	H4—C2—H5	109.2
C3—N1—H2	120.0	C3—N3—C4	127.01 (11)
H1—N1—H2	120.0	C3—N3—C2	110.53 (11)
C3—N2—C1	110.62 (11)	C4—N3—C2	121.15 (10)
C3—N2—H3	126.1	N1—C3—N3	126.05 (12)
C1—N2—H3	123.3	N1—C3—N2	123.57 (12)
O1—C1—N2	126.44 (13)	N3—C3—N2	110.36 (11)
O1—C1—C2	127.82 (12)	N3—C4—H6	109.5
N2—C1—C2	105.73 (11)	N3—C4—H7	109.5
N3—C2—C1	102.59 (11)	H6—C4—H7	109.5
N3—C2—H4	111.2	N3—C4—H8	109.5
C1—C2—H4	111.2	H6—C4—H8	109.5
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