

The Crystal Structure of Ammonium Acid *o*-Carboxybenzenesulfonate, NH₄(C₆H₄COOH·SO₃)

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Crystals of ammonium acid *o*-carboxybenzenesulfonate crystallize in the orthorhombic system with $a = 7.04_5 \pm 0.003$, $b = 10.53_5 \pm 0.003$, $c = 25.51_5 \pm 0.005$ Å; the space group is *Pcab*. The structure was determined by using three-dimensional intensity data collected on a computer-controlled diffractometer operated in a closed-loop manner by a stored data collection program in an IBM 1620 computer. The structure is ionic, consisting of ammonium ions and infinite chains of acid *o*-carboxybenzenesulfonate ions; the chains are formed by short O—H···O bonds of 2.64₀ Å from carboxyl groups to sulfonate groups through the *a*-glide planes perpendicular to the *b* axis. The locations of hydrogen atoms substantiate the chemical formula NH₄(C₆H₄·COOH·SO₃) and the compound is named accordingly. The benzene ring is a slightly distorted hexagon with one relatively short C—C bond of 1.37₀ Å; the average of the remaining five C—C bond distances is 1.387 Å, and the average of the six angles is 120.0°. The carboxyl group makes an angle of 50.7° with the benzene ring. Other effects of steric hindrance include shifts of the sulfur atom and the carboxyl carbon from the benzene ring plane and also deviations of angles around the ring carbon atoms associated with the derivative groups from the normal value. Bond distances and angles in the carboxyl and sulfonate groups are normal.

Introduction

The crystal structure of ammonium acid *o*-sulfobenzoate, or more correctly acid *o*-carboxybenzenesulfonate, was investigated as a part of our study on *ortho*-substituted benzoic acids and their salts. The work is the third in the series, ammonium (Okaya & Pepinsky, 1957) and potassium acid phthalates (Okaya, 1965) having been reported. The main purpose of such studies is to obtain information about the effect of steric hindrance on the aromatic system by varying size and nature of derivative groups.

Ammonium acid *o*-carboxybenzenesulfonate belongs to a series of acid alkali salts of phthalic acid and *o*-sulfobenzoic acid or *o*-carboxybenzenesulfonic acid; these salts crystallize in the orthorhombic system and are listed by Groth (1917). From the axial ratios, crystal habit and cleavages given by the morphological studies, these crystals are expected to possess similar structures. For example, the main features of structure building made by the packing of aromatic rings and the hydrogen-bond formation are the same for ammonium (*Pcab*) and potassium (*P2₁ab*) acid phthalates; the difference in the space groups of these two salts is the result of differences in the manner in which the cations connect the aromatic ions.

Experimental

A single crystal of ammonium acid *o*-carboxybenzenesulfonate was ground into an approximately spherical shape and mounted on a General Electric Goniostat which was placed on a Picker biplane diffractometer; this belongs to CCXD, a computer-controlled diffrac-

tometer system (Cole, Okaya & Chambers, 1963) which is operated in a closed-loop manner by an IBM 1620 computer under a stored data collection program (Okaya, 1964, 1966). The unit-cell dimensions were determined on the diffractometer by using Mo *K*α radiation and used as input parameters for the data collection programs; they are $a = 7.04_5 \pm 0.003$, $b = 10.53_5 \pm 0.003$, and $c = 25.51_5 \pm 0.005$ Å. The crystals belong to the orthorhombic class with space group *Pcab*; ammonium acid phthalate also crystallizes in this space group with $a = 6.40$, $b = 10.23$ and $c = 26.14$ Å (Okaya & Pepinsky, 1957). There are eight chemical units of the formula NH₄(C₆H₄·COOH·SO₃) in a unit cell ($\rho_{\text{obs}} = 1.523$, Groth). Three-dimensional integrated intensity data were obtained from the specimen by using filtered Mo *K*α radiation. For each reflection, the alignment of the crystal was first checked by optimizing the ω setting; the intensity data were then taken by step-scanning around the 2θ axis. The number of steps for the ($\theta - 2\theta$) scanning was 24 with intervals of 0.07° for $2\theta \leq 40^\circ$ and 0.09° for higher 2θ values. In the course of the ω scanning, the minimum and maximum counts were recorded for each reflection and if the difference between them was less than the statistical fluctuation, the reflection was treated as a non-observed one. All non-equivalent reflections (about 2800) within the range of $\sin \theta/\lambda \leq 0.85$ were studied in this fashion and 2583 reflections were recorded as observed ones. The general programming technique for such computer-controlled data collection tasks is explained elsewhere (Okaya, 1966); copies of the detailed computer programs used by the present study are also available from the author (1964). The integrated intensity was calculated from the ($\theta - 2\theta$) step-scanning

data on the IBM 1620 computer as a time-shared program. Owing to the small size of the specimen, no absorption correction was made to the intensity data.

Structure determination and refinement

The crystal structure of ammonium acid *o*-carboxybenzenesulfonate was determined and refined in the usual manner by using the three-dimensional intensity data thus obtained. The position of the sulfur atom was obtained from a sharpened three-dimensional Patterson function and the positions of other nonhydrogen atoms were derived from an approximate three-dimensional density function calculated with the phases as-

signed by the contribution of the sulfur atom. The structure was then refined by the least-squares methods first by using a block-diagonal approximation and then a full-matrix program on an IBM 7094 computer (Okaya, 1963). The positions of hydrogen atoms in the aromatic ion were determined in the course of the refinement by the usual ($F_o - F_c$) synthesis method and refined with isotropic temperature factors. The difference synthesis showed smearing of the density around the nitrogen atom of the ammonium ion and no effort was made to locate the hydrogen atoms of the ion. The final conventional error factor, $R = \sum ||F_o| - |F_c|| / \sum |F_o|$, was 0.060 for the observed reflections. The shifts of parameters in the final stage were almost

Table 1

(a) Atomic coordinates in fractions of cell edges and their standard deviations in 10^{-4} Å.

	<i>x</i>	$\sigma(x)$	<i>y</i>	$\sigma(y)$	<i>z</i>	$\sigma(z)$
NH ₄ ⁺	0.69062	27	0.12177	26	0.02801	28
S	0.16759	6	0.06241	6	0.08477	6
O(1)	0.28435	23	0.10823	20	0.04228	19
O(2)	0.01317	25	0.14690	30	0.09636	28
O(3)	0.10928	28	-0.06810	21	0.07580	23
C(1)	0.48170	28	-0.14283	27	0.11513	27
O(I)	0.46178	29	-0.25560	22	0.13705	22
O(I')	0.53409	29	-0.12690	24	0.07091	22
C(1)	0.43878	29	-0.03741	26	0.15245	25
C(2)	0.54199	34	-0.03485	36	0.19846	30
C(3)	0.52247	38	0.06565	39	0.23348	31
C(4)	0.39889	33	0.16245	31	0.22242	29
C(5)	0.29310	31	0.16036	27	0.17635	28
C(6)	0.31252	25	0.06038	23	0.14168	24
H(O)	0.485		-0.319		0.109	
H(2)	0.635		-0.105		0.205	
H(3)	0.584		0.072		0.265	
H(4)	0.336		0.217		0.249	
H(5)	0.218		0.230		0.164	

(b) Anisotropic thermal parameters.

The β 's are used in the expression: $\exp \{-(h^2\beta_{11} + k^2\beta_{22} + l^2\beta_{33} + hk\beta_{12} + hl\beta_{13} + kl\beta_{23})\}$.

	β_{11}	β_{22}	β_{33}	β_{12}	β_{13}	β_{23}
NH ₄ ⁺	0.017328	0.007176	0.001336	-0.000211	-0.000947	-0.001877
S	0.012978	0.005083	0.000936	0.001438	-0.000568	-0.000062
O(1)	0.020060	0.006270	0.000966	-0.001338	-0.000574	0.001091
O(2)	0.017398	0.012148	0.001754	0.012789	-0.002268	-0.002586
O(3)	0.022459	0.006543	0.001356	-0.009946	-0.000823	-0.000118
C(I)	0.016125	0.005835	0.001111	0.005592	0.000270	0.000815
O(I)	0.029003	0.005881	0.001405	0.006583	0.003211	0.000867
O(I')	0.029203	0.007911	0.001092	0.009503	0.002227	0.000932
C(1)	0.016265	0.005761	0.000887	0.001923	0.000039	0.000617
C(2)	0.019449	0.009147	0.001098	0.001827	-0.002018	0.001108
C(3)	0.022312	0.010518	0.001007	-0.004561	-0.002008	0.000373
C(4)	0.018480	0.008073	0.001075	-0.005784	0.001040	-0.000966
C(5)	0.016919	0.005843	0.001081	-0.001756	0.000743	-0.000635
C(6)	0.012945	0.005171	0.000843	0.000210	0.000367	0.000037

(c) Isotropic temperature factors for hydrogen in 10^{-16} cm².

H(O)	H(2)	H(3)	H(4)	H(5)
7.7	2.7	2.8	3.3	2.3

Table 2. Comparison between the observed and calculated structure factors

M	K	L	FOBS	FCAL	M	K	L	FOBS	FCAL	M	K	L	FOBS	FCAL	M	K	L	FOBS	FCAL	M	K	L	FOBS	FCAL	
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0	0	14	595	573	1	7	387	377	1 31 31 25	2	18	2	276	270	2	13	133	133	3	22	36	37	27		
0	0	16	639	627	1	8	395	374	1 33 16 97	2	19	2	291	281	2	14	151	150	3	23	102	102	22		
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Table 2 (cont.)

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Table 2 (cont.)

M	K	L	F0BS	FCAL	M	K	L	F0BS	FCAL	M	K	L	F0BS	FCAL	M	K	L	F0BS	FCAL	M	K	L	F0BS	FCAL	
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negligible. The weighting scheme used in the refinement was; $w=1.0$ for $|F_{\text{obs}}| \leq 40$, $w=40.0/|F_{\text{obs}}|$ for $|F_{\text{obs}}| \geq 40$ and unobserved reflections were given zero weight. The atomic scattering factors used in the structure-factor calculations were taken from *International Tables for X-ray Crystallography* (1962). The atomic coordinates, their standard deviations and thermal parameters at this stage are listed in Table 1. The observed and calculated structure factors are compared in Table 2.

Discussion

The crystal structure of ammonium acid *o*-carboxybenzenesulfonate is ionic, consisting of ammonium ions and acid *o*-carboxybenzenesulfonate ions; as expected, the latter possess the formula $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{COOH}\cdot\text{SO}_3^-$, with an ionized sulfonate and an un-ionized carboxyl group. The structure of the *o*-carboxybenzenesulfonate as a whole is isomorphous and isostructural with the ammonium acid phthalate structure, the sulfonate groups replacing the ionized carboxyl groups of the acid phthalate ions, $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{COOHCOO}^-$, in the latter structure; also, as in the phthalate structures, one finds a short hydrogen bond of 2.64 Å from O(1) of the carboxyl group of one ion to O(3) of the sulfonate group of another ion related to the first by the *a*-glide perpendicular to the *b* axis. The pertinent data for this hydrogen bond are: O(1)–H, 1.0 Å; H---O(3), 1.7 Å and O(1)–H...O(3), 156°. The ammonium ion is surrounded by eight oxygen atoms: three O(1) at distances 2.88₉, 2.94₃ and 3.02₀ Å, two O(2) at 3.24₇ and 2.87₇ Å; one O(3) at 3.05₂ Å and finally two O(I') at 3.04₆ and 2.98₀ Å, thus drawing six neighbors from sulfonate groups (Table 3). It is obvious that O(I),

which retains its proton, is not involved in an $\text{NH}_4\text{-O}$ contact. These $\text{NH}_4\text{-O}$ contacts and the mode of coordination are quite normal as compared with other ammonium salts. A schematic drawing of a part of the unit cell viewed down the *a* axis is shown in Fig. 1. As in the acid phthalate structures, the aromatic *o*-carboxybenzenesulfonate ions make infinite chains along the *a* axis by the hydrogen bonds; these chains are arranged around the cations which are situated near the plane $z=0$. The sandwich-like sheets thus formed perpendicular to the *c* axis stack in the structure by the aromatic van der Waals contact around the two-fold screw axes on the planes $z=\frac{1}{4}$. The structure accounts for the perfect cleavage perpendicular to the *c* axis. In the potassium acid phthalate structure, all the infinite chains of acid phthalate ions have the same polarity, whereas in the present crystal the infinite chains of one polarity are related to those of inverse polarity by the centers of symmetry.

Table 3. Coordination around the ammonium ion

Contacts	Distances	With	At
1	2.943	O(1)	$(\frac{1}{2} + x, \frac{1}{2} - y, z)$
2	2.889	O(1)	(x, y, z)
3	3.020	O(1)	$(1 - x, -y, -z)$
4	3.052	O(3)	$(1 - x, -y, -z)$
5	2.877	O(2)	$(1 + x, y, z)$
6	3.247	O(2)	$(\frac{1}{2} + x, \frac{1}{2} - y, z)$
7	2.980	O(I')	$(1 - x, -y, -z)$
8	3.046	O(I')	(x, y, z)

Bond distances and angles in the *o*-carboxybenzenesulfonate ion are shown in Figs. 2 and 3. The unionized carboxyl group has, as usual, two unequal C–O distances and also unequal C–C–O angles; these values agree quite well with those in the potassium acid phthalate structure which exhibits C=O, 1.20₁; C–O, 1.30₅; C–C, 1.49₈ Å. The data on the planarity of the group are shown in Fig. 4. The S–O distances of 1.43₆, 1.44₄ and 1.45₃ Å are normal for an aromatic sulfonate group; as discussed above O(1) is involved in three $\text{NH}_4\text{-O}$ contacts, O(3) in one contact and a hydrogen bond, whereas one of the two contacts made by O(2) is relatively long. The slight shortening of the S–O(2) distance when compared with the other two might indicate an effect of the unequal surroundings of the three oxygen atoms. The average O–S–O and C–S–O angles in the group are 112.4° and 106.4°, respectively; these deviations from the normal tetrahedral angle in sulfonate groups have been established by many accurate structure analyses; e.g. 112.9° and 106.7° in the structure of taurine, 2-aminoethylsulfonic acid (Okaya, 1966), 113° and 106° in 2-diazo-4-phenolsulfonate monohydrate, $\text{C}_6\text{H}_3(\text{N}\equiv\text{N})^+\text{OH}(\text{SO}_3)^-\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (Greenberg & Okaya, 1967), and others.

The benzene ring is a slightly distorted regular hexagon and the average of C–C distances (excluding the shortest C(3)–C(4) distance) is 1.38₇ Å; the deviation of the C(3)–C(4) distance from this average might be significant. There is no such deviation in the angles

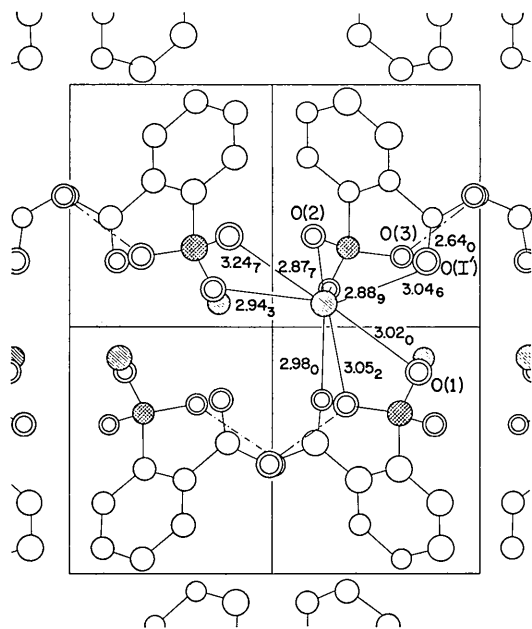


Fig. 1. A schematic drawing of part of the unit cell viewed down the *a* axis. The short O(1)–H...O(3) bonds are shown by chain lines.

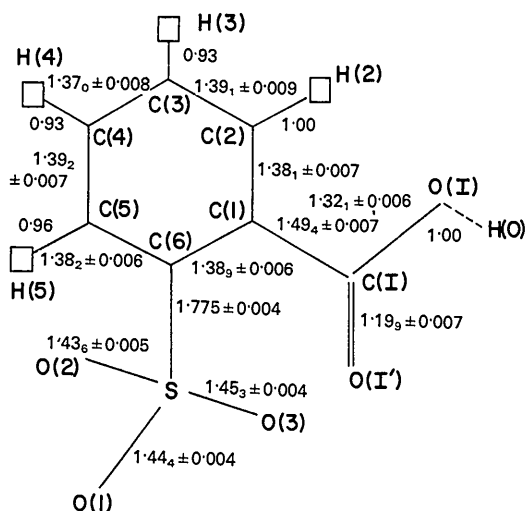
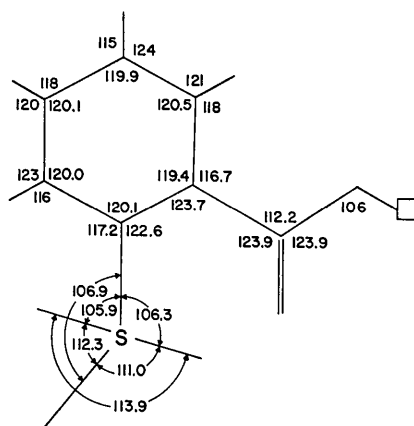
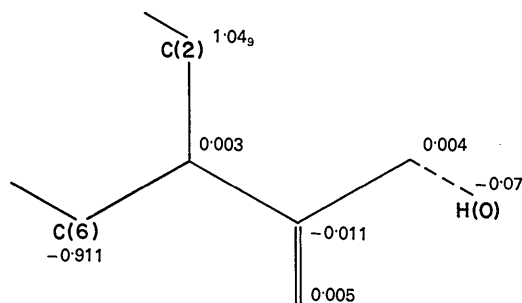
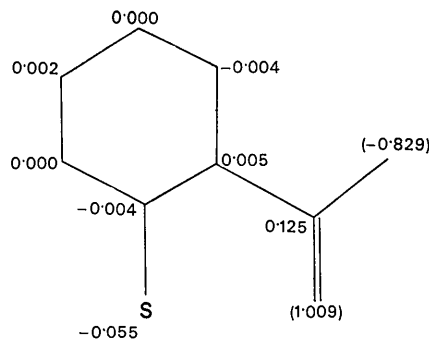
Fig. 2. Bond distances in the *o*-carboxybenzenesulfonate ion.

Fig. 3. Bond angles.

in the hexagon from the average of 120.0° . The equation of the ring plane is calculated in the usual manner and the deviations of the ring atoms, as well as C(I) and S from the plane are shown in Fig. 5. The average C-H distance of 0.95 \AA is again quite normal for that obtained by the X-ray method.

Owing to steric hindrance, the carboxyl group can no longer stay in the plane of benzene ring and makes an angle of 50.7° . This value is to be compared with that of 31.7° between the un-ionized carboxyl group and the benzene ring in the potassium acid phthalate structure; the effect of the hindrance due to the larger size of the sulfonate group is demonstrated. Steric hindrance also affects the angles around C(1) and C(6)

Fig. 4. The planarity of the carboxyl group. The least-squares plane is: $0.0157X + 0.9538Y + 0.3001Z = 4.1062$. (X , Y , and Z measured in \AA).Fig. 5. Deviations of atoms from the benzene ring plane. C(I) and S were excluded from the evaluation of the least-squares plane: $0.4950X + 0.7299Y - 0.4712Z = 0.2231$.

(Fig. 3) and displaces C(I) and S from the ring plane by $+0.125$ and -0.055 \AA respectively (Fig. 5).

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