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# 4,4'-Bipyridine-butane-1,2,3,4-tetracarboxylic acid (1/1)

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; T = 100 K; mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.003 Å; disorder in main residue; R factor = 0.046; wR factor = 0.083; data-to-parameter ratio = 14.4.

The title compound,  $C_{10}H_8N_2 \cdot C_8H_{10}O_8$ , is an example of a system with a short  $O \cdots H \cdots N$  hydrogen bond  $[O \cdots N =$ 2.565 (3) Å]. The crystal structure comprises a 1:1 adduct between 4,4'-bipyridine and butane-1,2,3,4-tetracarboxylic acid, where both components are centrosymmetric. The component molecules are linked through strong O···H···N hydrogen bonds, forming chains extending approximately along [ $\overline{3}11$ ]. The chains are interconnected by O···H···O hydrogen bonds and weak stacking interactions involving the pyridyl rings of the 4,4'-bipyridine molecules [centroidcentroid distance = 3.73(2) Å and interplanar distance = 3.35 (1) Å]. The H atom of the short  $O \cdots H \cdots N$  hydrogen bond is disordered over two positions with site occupancy factors of ca 0.6 and 0.4. One methylene group is disordered over two positions; the site occupancy factors are ca 0.9 and 0.1.

### **Related literature**

For related literature, see: Barnes & Barnes (1996); Cowan et al. (2003); Etter et al. (1990); Majerz et al. (1997); McKee & Najafpour (2007); Steiner et al. (2000, 2001); Wang & Chen (2005); Wang & Wei (2006).



 $\gamma = 73.85 \ (5)^{\circ}$ 

Z = 1

V = 421.6 (5) Å<sup>3</sup>

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation

 $0.40 \times 0.18 \times 0.04 \text{ mm}$ 

1946 independent reflections

1034 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

 $\mu = 0.12 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 100 (2) K

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.030$ 

# **Experimental**

#### Crystal data

$C_{10}H_8N_2 \cdot C_8H_{10}O_8$	
$M_r = 390.34$	
Triclinic, $P\overline{1}$	
a = 5.642 (4)  Å	
b = 6.966 (4)  Å	
c = 11.680 (8)  Å	
$\alpha = 73.55 \ (5)^{\circ}$	
$\beta = 81.34 \ (5)^{\circ}$	

#### Data collection

Oxford Diffraction KM-4-CCD diffractometer Absorption correction: none 3650 measured reflections

#### Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.045$	2 restraints
$wR(F^2) = 0.083$	H-atom parameters constrained
S = 1.01	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.30 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
1946 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.19 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
135 parameters	

### Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D-\mathrm{H}$	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
$\overline{\begin{array}{c} O11-H1A\cdots N1\\ N1-H1B\cdots O11\\ O12-H12\cdots O21^{iii} \end{array}}$	0.84	1.73	2.565 (3)	173
	0.88	1.69	2.565 (3)	177
	0.84	1.91	2.747 (3)	175

Symmetry code: (iii) -x + 1, -y, -z + 2.

Data collection: CrvsAlis CCD (Oxford Diffraction, 2006); cell refinement: CrysAlis RED (Oxford Diffraction, 2006); data reduction: CrysAlis RED; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 2008); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

Supplementary data and figures for this paper are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: TK2261).

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### S1. Comment

Systems with short O···H···N hydrogen bonds have been widely studied. A correlation of the geometric parameters defining the O···H···N bridge for amine - phenol complexes and the pK<sub>a</sub> values has been established (Majerz *et al.*, 1997 and references therein). It was shown that the shortest O···N distances of about 2.52 Å are realised when the proton is near the centre of the O···H···N bridge. The first example of a crystal structure of this type to be investigated using neutron diffraction was the adduct of 2–methylpyridine and pentachlorophenol (Steiner *et al.*, 2000). Also, temperature-dependent neutron diffraction studies have been performed, for example, on the 1:2 co–crystal of benzene-1,2,4,5-tetra-carboxylic acid and 4,4'-bipyridine (Cowan *et al.*, 2003). One of the shortest known O···H···N hydrogen bonds was observed in the crystal structure of 4–methylpyridine and pentachlorophenol (Steiner *et al.*, 2001) with the O···N distance of 2.506 (3) Å at 20 K and the H atom essentially at the centre of the O and N atoms.

The title crystal is an example of a system with short O···H···N hydrogen bonds with the O···N distance being 2.565 (3) Å. It contains butane-1,2,3,4-tetracarboxylic acid (BTCA), which has been widely used as a cross-linking agent for cotton fabrics (Wang & Chen, 2005) and also in crystal engineering studies of hydrogen bonding arrays (Barnes & Barnes, 1996). Attempts to obtain the acid in crystalline form have so far been unsuccessful (Barnes & Barnes, 1996).

The crystal structure comprises 4,4'-bipyridine and butane-1,2,3,4-tetracarboxylic acid in a 1:1 ratio (Fig. 1 & Table 1). Both components are centrosymmetric. The carboxylic acid groups with C31 and C12 atoms are *gauche* with the C12—C11—C21A—C31 torsion angle being -48.6 (3)°. These groups are mutually twisted with the interplanar angle between the planes defined by O12, O22, C12, C11 and O11, O21, C31, C21A, respectively, being 73.7 (1)°.

There are only two reports of crystal structures containing anions of butane-1,2,3,4-tetracarboxylic acid: the structure of its ammonium (Barnes & Barnes, 1996) and guanidinium (McKee & Najafpour, 2007) salts. In both of these structures, the anions are centrosymmetric and not protonated. However, the conformation of the anion resembles that reported here with the torsion angles equivalent to C31—C21A—C11—C12 being -61.1 (2)° in the guanidinium salt (McKee & Najafpour, 2007), and -55.2 (2)° and -60.9 (2)° for the two symmetry independent anions in the ammonium salt (Barnes & Barnes, 1996).

The centrosymmetric 4,4'-bipyridine molecule is planar and its geometric parameters are comparable to other reported cases of planar molecule of this formula (*e.g.* Wang & Wei, 2006).

The butane-1,2,3,4-tetracarboxylic acid and 4,4'-bipyridine molecules are connected by short O···H···N hydrogen bonds (with H atom disordered over two positions - nearer to the O and nearer to the N atom with the occupancy factors of 0.59 (3) and 0.41, respectively) to form chains extending approximately along [ $\overline{3}11$ ] (Fig. 2). In each such hydrogen bond the O···N distance is 2.565 (3) Å (Table 2). The chains are interconnected by the O—H···O hydrogen bonds where the O12 atom from one of the carboxylic groups participates as the donor and the O21 atom from the other carboxylic group as acceptor (Table 2). Thus,  $R^2_2(14)$  motifs are formed (Etter *et al.*, 1990). The chains also interact through weak stacking interactions between the pyridyl rings (Fig. 2) with the distance between the rings centroids of 3.73 (2) Å. The interplanar

distance between the planes of interacting rings is 3.35 (1) Å.

# **S2. Experimental**

4,4'-Bipyridine and butane-1,2,3,4-tetracarboxylic acid were purchased from Merck. A solution of butane-1,2,3,4-tetracarboxylic acid (1.5 mmol) in hot water (250 ml) was added dropwise to a vigorously stirred suspension of 4,4'-bipyridine (2.5 mmol) in water (25 ml) over a period of 5 min. and was heated to obtain a homogeneous solution. The solution was slowly cooled to room temperature. The resulting crystals in form of colourless plates were filtered and recrystallized from water.

The presence of short O···H···N hydrogen bond is confirmed by the IR spectrum collected in KBr pellet, which shows presence of broad bands ascribed to O···H···N vibrations.

# S3. Refinement

All H atoms were localized from difference Fourier maps. Subsequently, the H atoms bonded to C atoms were included in the model using the riding model approximation with  $U_{iso}$  set at 1.2  $U_{eq}$  (parent atom). The H12 atom bonded to the O12 atom was kept using AFIX 147 restraint with  $U_{iso}$  set at 1.2  $U_{eq}$  (parent atom). The H1 atom (participating in strong O···H···N hydrogen bond)  $U_{eq}$  was refined isotropically and was localized at the centre of the O···N distance. On an examination of a difference Fourier map, the structure was re-refined with this H1 atom disordered over two positions (H1A and H1B): one position nearer to the O11 atom and one position nearer to the N1 atom. For both components the standard O—H and N—H distances were fixed accordingly. The final refined occupancy factors are 0.59 (3) and 0.41 for the major (H1A) and for the minor (H1B) component, respectively. An examination of the resulting difference Fourier map showed that the highest peak of 0.48 e Å<sup>-3</sup> was located 1 Å from the C21A atom. This was interpreted as slight disorder of the methylene moiety, i.e. over two positions. The disorder was modelled imposing soft SADI restraints (with the allowed deviation of 0.02) on the C–C bond lengths in both components. The positions of the C31 and C11 atoms, bonded to the higher–occupancy C21A component and to the lower–occupancy C21B component were assumed to be the same for both components. The final refined occupancy factors are 0.940 (6) and 0.060 for the higher- and loweroccupancy components, respectively.



# Figure 1

Component molecules showing atom labelling scheme and displacement ellipsoids at the 30% probability level. Symmetry codes: [i] -x + 3, -y, -z + 1; [ii] -x, -y + 1, -z + 2; . The minor component of the disordered BTCA molecule is shown as dotted lines. The minor component of the disordered H atom is shown with a dashed bond.



### Figure 2

Chains formed by 4,4'-bipyridine and butane-1,2,3,4-tetracarboxylic acid molecules approximately along  $[\overline{3}11]$ . The hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines. The stacking interaction between the 4,4'-bipyridine molecules from the neighbouring chains is denoted with dotted line. The centroids of the interacting rings are denoted with the *Cg* symbol. Graph symbol (Etter *et al.*, 1990) is given for the described ring motif. Symmetry codes: [iii] -*x* + 1, -*y*, -*z* + 2; [iv] -*x* + 2, -*y*, -*z* + 1; [v] *x* + 1, *y*, *z*; [vi] -*x* + 3, -*y*, -*z* + 1. The disordered part of the BTCA acid molecule as well as H atoms not involved in hydrogen bonds are omitted for clarity.

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Crystal data	
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$M_r = 390.34$	F(000) = 204
Triclinic, P1	$D_{\rm x} = 1.537 {\rm ~Mg} {\rm ~m}^{-3}$
Hall symbol: -P 1	Mo <i>K</i> $\alpha$ radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å
a = 5.642 (4)  Å	Cell parameters from 3002 reflections
b = 6.966 (4) Å	$\theta = 2-35^{\circ}$
c = 11.680 (8)  Å	$\mu = 0.12 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\alpha = 73.55 (5)^{\circ}$	T = 100  K
$\beta = 81.34 \ (5)^{\circ}$	Plate, colourless
$\gamma = 73.85 \ (5)^{\circ}$	$0.40 \times 0.18 \times 0.04 \text{ mm}$
$V = 421.6 (5) Å^3$	
Data collection	
Oxford Diffraction KM-4-CCD	1034 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
diffractometer	$R_{\rm int} = 0.030$
Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube	$\theta_{\rm max} = 28.4^{\circ}, \ \theta_{\rm min} = 3.2^{\circ}$
Graphite monochromator	$h = -7 \rightarrow 7$
ωscans	$k = -7 \rightarrow 9$
3650 measured reflections	$l = -15 \rightarrow 15$
1946 independent reflections	

Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier
Least-squares matrix: full	map
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.045$	Hydrogen site location: inferred from
$wR(F^2) = 0.083$	neighbouring sites
<i>S</i> = 1.01	H-atom parameters constrained
1946 reflections	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.027P)^2]$
135 parameters	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
2 restraints	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$
Primary atom site location: structure-invariant	$\Delta  ho_{ m max} = 0.30 \ { m e} \ { m \AA}^{-3}$
direct methods	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.19 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$

	x	У	Ζ	$U_{ m iso}$ */ $U_{ m eq}$	Occ. (<1)
011	0.4836 (2)	0.4390 (2)	0.68732 (11)	0.0338 (4)	
H1A	0.6275	0.3764	0.6676	0.051*	0.59 (3)
N1	0.9093 (3)	0.2488 (2)	0.61058 (14)	0.0231 (4)	
H1B	0.7625	0.3105	0.6381	0.035*	0.41 (3)
C2	1.0784 (3)	0.1253 (3)	0.68554 (17)	0.0265 (5)	
H2	1.0378	0.1051	0.7693	0.032*	
C3	1.3105 (3)	0.0261 (3)	0.64525 (16)	0.0272 (5)	
Н3	1.4260	-0.0608	0.7012	0.033*	
C4	1.3754 (3)	0.0531 (3)	0.52342 (16)	0.0208 (4)	
C5	1.1967 (3)	0.1826 (3)	0.44570 (16)	0.0232 (5)	
Н5	1.2318	0.2059	0.3615	0.028*	
C6	0.9677 (3)	0.2764 (3)	0.49322 (16)	0.0237 (5)	
H6	0.8475	0.3640	0.4398	0.028*	
C11	0.1384 (3)	0.4629 (3)	0.97960 (16)	0.0276 (5)	
H11	0.2287	0.5506	1.0016	0.033*	
C21A	0.1846 (4)	0.4914 (3)	0.84558 (17)	0.0250 (7)	0.940 (6)
H21A	0.1416	0.6412	0.8062	0.030*	0.940 (6)
H21B	0.0719	0.4285	0.8193	0.030*	0.940 (6)
C31	0.4490 (4)	0.3983 (3)	0.80273 (18)	0.0271 (5)	
O21	0.6106 (2)	0.29297 (19)	0.87162 (11)	0.0272 (3)	
C12	0.2377 (3)	0.2422 (3)	1.05080 (18)	0.0262 (5)	
O12	0.1933 (2)	0.1051 (2)	1.00261 (12)	0.0316 (4)	
H12	0.2479	-0.0148	1.0450	0.047*	
O22	0.3354 (2)	0.1971 (2)	1.14272 (12)	0.0387 (4)	
C21B	0.290 (6)	0.552 (3)	0.875 (2)	0.014 (9)*	0.060 (6)
H21C	0.4014	0.6144	0.9028	0.017*	0.060 (6)
H21D	0.1785	0.6655	0.8207	0.017*	0.060 (6)

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters  $(Å^2)$ 

Atomic displacement parameters  $(Å^2)$ 

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	U <sup>23</sup>
O11	0.0236 (8)	0.0379 (10)	0.0249 (9)	0.0087 (7)	0.0034 (6)	-0.0030 (7)
N1	0.0167 (9)	0.0238 (10)	0.0249 (10)	0.0016 (7)	0.0005 (7)	-0.0074 (8)
C2	0.0243 (11)	0.0321 (12)	0.0190 (11)	-0.0009 (10)	0.0012 (9)	-0.0073 (9)

C3	0.0207 (11)	0.0308 (12)	0.0233 (12)	0.0025 (9)	-0.0028 (9)	-0.0042 (10)
C4	0.0178 (10)	0.0214 (11)	0.0220 (11)	-0.0027 (8)	0.0003 (9)	-0.0066 (9)
C5	0.0242 (11)	0.0228 (11)	0.0191 (11)	-0.0023 (9)	0.0016 (9)	-0.0051 (9)
C6	0.0226 (11)	0.0224 (11)	0.0202 (11)	0.0001 (9)	-0.0043 (9)	-0.0006 (9)
C11	0.0227 (11)	0.0240 (12)	0.0251 (11)	0.0066 (9)	0.0032 (9)	-0.0036 (9)
C21A	0.0237 (13)	0.0196 (13)	0.0236 (13)	0.0035 (10)	-0.0008 (10)	-0.0021 (10)
C31	0.0285 (12)	0.0209 (12)	0.0264 (12)	-0.0009 (10)	0.0038 (10)	-0.0056 (10)
O21	0.0232 (7)	0.0243 (8)	0.0267 (8)	0.0026 (6)	-0.0017 (7)	-0.0035 (7)
C12	0.0179 (11)	0.0265 (12)	0.0268 (12)	0.0039 (9)	0.0072 (9)	-0.0088 (10)
012	0.0290 (8)	0.0227 (8)	0.0353 (9)	0.0008 (7)	-0.0042 (7)	-0.0015 (7)
O22	0.0421 (9)	0.0361 (9)	0.0264 (8)	0.0121 (7)	-0.0098 (7)	-0.0076 (7)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

N1—C6	1.332 (2)	C4—C5	1.400 (3)	
N1—C2	1.336 (2)	C4—C4 <sup>i</sup>	1.497 (4)	
C31—O11	1.293 (3)	C5—C6	1.387 (3)	
C31—O21	1.237 (2)	С5—Н5	0.95	
C12—O12	1.331 (2)	С6—Н6	0.95	
C12—O22	1.202 (2)	C11—C21A	1.512 (3)	
O11—C31	1.293 (2)	C11—C12	1.519 (3)	
011—H1A	0.84	C11—C11 <sup>ii</sup>	1.549 (4)	
N1—H1B	0.88	C11—H11	1.00	
С2—С3	1.382 (3)	C21A—C31	1.523 (3)	
С2—Н2	0.95	C21A—H21A	0.99	
C3—C4	1.387 (3)	C21A—H21B	0.99	
С3—Н3	0.95	O12—H12	0.84	
C6—N1—C2	118.6 (2)	C4—C5—H5	120.4	
C21A-C11-C12	113.4 (2)	N1—C6—C5	122.73 (17)	
C21A—C11—C11 <sup>ii</sup>	113.0 (2)	N1—C6—H6	118.6	
O21—C31—O11	124.2 (2)	С5—С6—Н6	118.6	
O22—C12—O12	124.0 (2)	C12—C11—C11 <sup>ii</sup>	109.00 (19)	
C31—O11—H1A	109.5	C21A—C11—H11	107.0	
C6—N1—H1B	120.7	C12—C11—H11	107.0	
C2—N1—H1B	120.7	C11 <sup>ii</sup> —C11—H11	107.0	
N1—C2—C3	122.18 (18)	C11—C21A—C31	114.83 (18)	
N1—C2—H2	118.9	C11—C21A—H21A	108.6	
С3—С2—Н2	118.9	C31—C21A—H21A	108.6	
C2—C3—C4	120.20 (18)	C11—C21A—H21B	108.6	
С2—С3—Н3	119.9	C31—C21A—H21B	108.6	
С4—С3—Н3	119.9	H21A—C21A—H21B	107.5	
C3—C4—C5	117.12 (17)	O21—C31—C21A	123.24 (18)	
$C3-C4-C4^{i}$	121.7 (2)	O11—C31—C21A	112.54 (18)	
$C5$ — $C4$ — $C4^i$	121.2 (2)	O22—C12—C11	123.9 (2)	
C6—C5—C4	119.19 (17)	O12—C12—C11	112.07 (18)	
C6—C5—H5	120.4	C12—O12—H12	109.5	

C6—N1—C2—C3	0.0 (3)	C11 <sup>ii</sup> —C11—C21A—C31	-173.3 (2)
N1—C2—C3—C4	0.1 (3)	C11—C21A—C31—O21	5.5 (3)
C2—C3—C4—C5	-0.2 (3)	C11—C21A—C31—O11	-175.45 (18)
C2-C3-C4-C4 <sup>i</sup>	-179.6 (2)	C21A—C11—C12—O22	141.0 (2)
C3—C4—C5—C6	0.1 (3)	C11 <sup>ii</sup> —C11—C12—O22	-92.2 (3)
C4 <sup>i</sup> —C4—C5—C6	179.53 (19)	C21A—C11—C12—O12	-42.0 (2)
C2—N1—C6—C5	-0.1 (3)	C11 <sup>ii</sup> —C11—C12—O12	84.8 (2)
C4—C5—C6—N1	0.0 (3)	$C5-C4-C4^{i}-C3^{i}$	0.6 (4)
C12-C11-C21A-C31	-48.6 (3)		

Symmetry codes: (i) –*x*+3, –*y*, –*z*+1; (ii) –*x*, –*y*+1, –*z*+2.

# *Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)*

D—H···A	D—H	H···A	D····A	<i>D</i> —H··· <i>A</i>
011—H1A…N1	0.84	1.73	2.565 (3)	173
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Symmetry code: (iii) -x+1, -y, -z+2.