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# (4-Methylphenyl)methanaminium bromide hemihydrate

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In the title hydrated salt,  $C_8H_{12}N^+ \cdot Br^- \cdot 0.5H_2O$ , which is isostructural with its chloride congener, the water O atom lies on a crystallographic twofold axis. In the crystal, the components are linked *via*  $C-H \cdot \cdot \cdot Br$ ,  $O-H \cdot \cdot \cdot Br$ ,  $N-H \cdot \cdot \cdot Br$  and  $N-H \cdot \cdot \cdot O$  hydrogen bonds to generate (100) sheets. The sheets are linked by two weak  $C-H \cdot \cdot \cdot \pi$  interactions, generating a three-dimensional network.



Structure description

Some noncentrosymmetric organic crystals exhibit high nonlinear efficiency and can be functionalized very easily but it is difficult to grow bulk crystals and their physical and mechanical properties are poor (Dolbecq *et al.*, 2010). As part of our ongoing studies in this area (Aarthi *et al.*, 2017), we now describe the synthesis and structure of (4-methylphenyl)methanaminium bromide hemihydrate, (I) (Fig. 1), which crystallized in a centrosymmetric space group.

The water O atom lies on a crystallographic twofold axis. In the crystal, the components are linked via  $C8-H8B\cdots Br1^i$ ,  $O1-H1\cdots Br1^i$ ,  $N1-H1D\cdots Br1$ ,  $N1-H1E\cdots O1^{ii}$ ,  $N1-H1F\cdots Br1^i$  and  $N1-H1F\cdots Br1^{ii}$  hydrogen bonds (see Fig. 2 and Table 1), generating layers lying parallel to the *bc* plane. Furthermore, the crystal structure features weak  $C1-H1A\cdots\pi^{iii}$  and  $C8-H8A\cdots\pi^{i}$  interactions, forming a three-dimensional network (see Fig. 3 and Table 1).

Souissi *et al.* (2010) have reported the related crystal structure of (4-chlorophenyl)methanaminium chloride hemihydrate.

Synthesis and crystallization

An aqueous solution containing 2 mmol of HBr in 20 ml of water was added to 2 mmol of 4-methylbenzylamine in 20 ml of water. The resultant solution was well stirred using a



Table 1	
Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).	

Cg1 is the centroid of the C2-C7 benzene ring.

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
$O1-H1\cdots Br1^{i}$	0.85 (2)	2.45 (2)	3.2870 (17)	169 (3)
$N1 - H1D \cdots Br1$	0.92(2)	2.40(2)	3.314 (2)	178 (2)
$N1-H1E\cdotsO1^{ii}$	0.90(2)	2.05(2)	2.883 (3)	155 (2)
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$C8-H8B\cdots Br1^{i}$	0.97	3.05	3.670 (2)	123
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Symmetry codes: (i) x, y - 1, z; (ii) -x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 1; (iii) x, y + 1, z.





A view of (I), with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 30% probability level. H atoms are represented as small spheres of arbitrary radii. Hydrogen bonds are shown as dotted lines. [Symmetry code: (i) 1 - x, y,  $\frac{1}{2} - z.$ ]

Table 2 Experimental details. Crystal data  $C_8H_{12}N^+ \cdot Br^- \cdot 0.5H_2O$ Chemical formula 211.11  $M_{\rm r}$ Crystal system, space group Monoclinic, C2/c Temperature (K) 293 30.7456 (18), 5.0266 (3), a, b, c (Å) 12.0636 (7) 98.430 (2)  $\beta$  (°  $V(Å^3)$ 1844.24 (19) Ζ 8 Μο Κα Radiation type  $\mu \,({\rm mm}^{-1})$ 4.40 Crystal size (mm)  $0.10 \times 0.10 \times 0.05$ Data collection Diffractometer Bruker KappaCCD Absorption correction Multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 2016) 0.534, 0.746  $T_{\min}, T_{\max}$ No. of measured, independent and 11261, 2479, 2129 observed  $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$  reflections Rint 0.025  $(\sin \theta / \lambda)_{max} (\text{\AA}^{-1})$ 0.687 Refinement  $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)], wR(F^2), S$ 0.028, 0.067, 1.06 No. of reflections 2479 No. of parameters 113 No. of restraints 7 H-atom treatment H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement  $\Delta \rho_{\rm max}, \, \Delta \rho_{\rm min} \, ({\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3})$ 0.35, -0.51

Computer programs: APEX3 and SAINT (Bruker, 2016), SHELXT2014 (Sheldrick, 2015a), ORTEP-3 for Windows (Farrugia, 2012), PLATON (Spek, 2009), SHELXL2018 (Sheldrick, 2015b) and publCIF (Westrip, 2010).

Figure 2

The crystal structure of (I), viewed down the b axis, showing the formation of hydrogen bonding. Dashed lines indicate hydrogen bonds. H atoms not involved in hydrogen bonding have been omitted.



Figure 3

A partial packing diagram of (I), viewed down the b axis, showing the C- $H \cdots \pi$  interactions.

magnetic stirrer for 3 h and left to stand at room temperature. After 15 d, colourless blocks of (I) were harvested.

## Refinement

Crystal data, data collection and structure refinement details are summarized in Table 2. The O– and N-bonded H atoms were refined with restraints and the C-bound H atoms were positioned geometrically and refined as riding atoms, with C–H = 0.93 (aromatic), 0.97 (–CH<sub>2</sub>–) and 0.96 Å (–CH<sub>3</sub>), and with  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2-1.5U_{eq}(C)$ .

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# full crystallographic data

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Crystal data C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sup>+</sup>·Br<sup>-</sup>·0.5(H<sub>2</sub>O)

 $M_r = 211.10$ Monoclinic, C2/c a = 30.7456 (18) Å b = 5.0266 (3) Å c = 12.0636 (7) Å  $\beta = 98.430$  (2)° V = 1844.24 (19) Å<sup>3</sup> Z = 8

## Data collection

Bruker KappaCCD diffractometer Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube Graphite monochromator  $\omega$  and  $\varphi$  scan Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 2016)  $T_{\min} = 0.534, T_{\max} = 0.746$ 

## Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$ Least-squares matrix: full  $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.028$  $wR(F^2) = 0.067$ S = 1.062479 reflections 113 parameters 7 restraints

## Special details

**Geometry**. All esds (except the esd in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell esds are taken into account individually in the estimation of esds in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between esds in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell esds is used for estimating esds involving l.s. planes.

F(000) = 856  $D_x = 1.521 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo K\alpha radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ Å}$ Cell parameters from 7215 reflections  $\theta = 3.4-29.2^{\circ}$   $\mu = 4.40 \text{ mm}^{-1}$  T = 293 KBlock, colourless  $0.10 \times 0.10 \times 0.05 \text{ mm}$ 

11261 measured reflections 2479 independent reflections 2129 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$  $R_{int} = 0.025$  $\theta_{max} = 29.2^{\circ}, \theta_{min} = 3.5^{\circ}$  $h = -40 \rightarrow 42$  $k = -6 \rightarrow 6$  $l = -16 \rightarrow 16$ 

Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods Hydrogen site location: mixed H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement  $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0267P)^2 + 2.3541P]$ where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$  $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.35$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.51$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

	X	У	Ζ	$U_{\rm iso}$ */ $U_{\rm eq}$	
C1	0.27703 (8)	1.1301 (4)	0.6636 (2)	0.0494 (6)	
H1A	0.286021	1.299079	0.637653	0.074*	
H1B	0.275755	1.140043	0.742564	0.074*	
H1C	0.248504	1.085224	0.624468	0.074*	
C2	0.30965 (6)	0.9198 (4)	0.64201 (18)	0.0340 (4)	
C3	0.31078 (7)	0.8211 (4)	0.53533 (18)	0.0406 (4)	
H3	0.291045	0.886455	0.475733	0.049*	
C4	0.34066 (7)	0.6273 (4)	0.51557 (17)	0.0399 (4)	
H4	0.340822	0.565059	0.443038	0.048*	
C5	0.37039 (6)	0.5248 (4)	0.60273 (17)	0.0321 (4)	
C6	0.36998 (7)	0.6264 (4)	0.70908 (17)	0.0385 (4)	
H6	0.390104	0.563229	0.768332	0.046*	
C7	0.34002 (7)	0.8212 (4)	0.72890 (18)	0.0402 (4)	
H7	0.340289	0.886252	0.801160	0.048*	
C8	0.40117 (7)	0.3025 (4)	0.5831 (2)	0.0427 (5)	
H8A	0.400833	0.169245	0.641177	0.051*	
H8B	0.390675	0.219026	0.511705	0.051*	
N1	0.44665 (6)	0.3933 (4)	0.58300 (18)	0.0420 (4)	
Br1	0.44849 (2)	0.86079 (4)	0.38999 (2)	0.04217 (8)	
01	0.500000	0.2903 (5)	0.250000	0.0548 (6)	
H1	0.4840 (11)	0.196 (6)	0.286 (3)	0.096 (13)*	
H1D	0.4466 (9)	0.520 (4)	0.5282 (17)	0.065 (8)*	
H1E	0.4585 (9)	0.465 (5)	0.6483 (14)	0.063 (8)*	
H1F	0.4636 (9)	0.255 (4)	0.566 (2)	0.072 (9)*	

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters  $(\hat{A}^2)$ 

Atomic displacement parameters  $(Å^2)$ 

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
C1	0.0401 (11)	0.0394 (11)	0.0728 (16)	0.0092 (9)	0.0221 (11)	0.0048 (11)
C2	0.0284 (9)	0.0293 (8)	0.0465 (11)	0.0002 (7)	0.0126 (8)	0.0030 (8)
C3	0.0335 (10)	0.0479 (11)	0.0391 (10)	0.0058 (9)	0.0005 (8)	0.0056 (9)
C4	0.0382 (10)	0.0492 (11)	0.0330 (9)	0.0004 (9)	0.0073 (8)	-0.0061 (9)
C5	0.0274 (9)	0.0287 (8)	0.0416 (10)	-0.0015 (7)	0.0096 (7)	-0.0021 (7)
C6	0.0379 (10)	0.0410 (10)	0.0359 (9)	0.0089 (9)	0.0027 (8)	0.0029 (8)
C7	0.0459 (11)	0.0410 (10)	0.0348 (10)	0.0063 (9)	0.0096 (8)	-0.0016 (8)
C8	0.0373 (11)	0.0319 (9)	0.0615 (14)	0.0011 (8)	0.0165 (10)	-0.0053 (9)
N1	0.0315 (8)	0.0403 (9)	0.0550 (11)	0.0086 (8)	0.0094 (8)	0.0002 (9)
Br1	0.03836 (12)	0.03826 (12)	0.05064 (14)	0.00097 (9)	0.00907 (8)	-0.00115 (9)
01	0.0631 (16)	0.0452 (13)	0.0609 (16)	0.000	0.0250 (13)	0.000

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

C1—C2	1.506 (3)	C6—C7	1.389 (3)
C1—H1A	0.9600	С6—Н6	0.9300
C1—H1B	0.9600	С7—Н7	0.9300

C1—H1C C2—C3 C2—C7 C3—C4 C3—H3 C4—C5 C4—H4 C5—C6 C5—C8	0.9600 1.384 (3) 1.389 (3) 1.384 (3) 0.9300 1.387 (3) 0.9300 1.383 (3) 1.505 (3)	C8—N1 C8—H8A C8—H8B N1—H1D N1—H1E N1—H1F O1—H1 O1—H1 <sup>i</sup>	1.471 (3) 0.9700 0.9700 0.919 (15) 0.895 (15) 0.909 (15) 0.848 (17) 0.848 (17)
C2—C1—H1A	109.5	С5—С6—Н6	119.4
C2—C1—H1B	109.5	С7—С6—Н6	119.4
H1A—C1—H1B	109.5	C6—C7—C2	120.74 (19)
C2—C1—H1C	109.5	С6—С7—Н7	119.6
H1A—C1—H1C	109.5	С2—С7—Н7	119.6
H1B—C1—H1C	109.5	N1—C8—C5	112.91 (17)
C3—C2—C7	117.90 (18)	N1—C8—H8A	109.0
C3—C2—C1	121.4 (2)	С5—С8—Н8А	109.0
C7—C2—C1	120.7 (2)	N1—C8—H8B	109.0
C4—C3—C2	121.34 (19)	C5—C8—H8B	109.0
C4—C3—H3	119.3	H8A—C8—H8B	107.8
С2—С3—Н3	119.3	C8—N1—H1D	108.4 (18)
C3—C4—C5	120.75 (18)	C8—N1—H1E	113.0 (18)
C3—C4—H4	119.6	H1D—N1—H1E	108.0 (19)
C5—C4—H4	119.6	C8—N1—H1F	109.8 (19)
C6—C5—C4	118.12 (18)	H1D—N1—H1F	107.9 (19)
C6—C5—C8	120.76 (19)	H1E—N1—H1F	110 (2)
C4—C5—C8	121.08 (19)	$H1-O1-H1^{i}$	112 (5)
C5—C6—C7	121.11 (19)		
C7—C2—C3—C4 C1—C2—C3—C4	1.0 (3) -179.8 (2)	C8—C5—C6—C7 C5—C6—C7—C2	-176.38 (19) -0.2 (3)
12 - 13 - 14 - 13	0.3(3)	$C_{1} = C_{2} = C_{1} = C_{1}$	-1.1(3)
$C_{2} = C_{4} = C_{5} = C_{6}$	-1.0(3)	$C_1 - C_2 - C_1 - C_0$	1/9./1 (19)
$C_{4} = C_{5} = C_{6} = C_{7}$	1/0.50(19)	$C_{0}$ $C_{5}$ $C_{8}$ $N_{1}$	-77.2(3)
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Symmetry code: (i) -x+1, y, -z+1/2.

## Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

Cg1 is the centroid of the (C2-C7) benzene ring.

D—H···A	<i>D</i> —Н	H···A	$D \cdots A$	D—H···A
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