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## 2-(3-Pyridinio)benzimidazolium penta-chloridobismuthate(III) monohydrate

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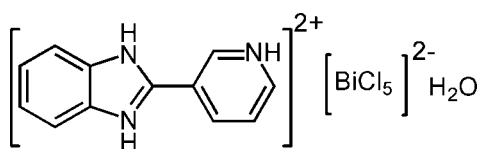
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 294$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.015$  Å;  
R factor = 0.052;  $wR$  factor = 0.116; data-to-parameter ratio = 20.3.

In the title compound,  $(\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{11}\text{N}_3)[\text{BiCl}_5]\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , the  $\text{Bi}^{\text{III}}$  atom is coordinated by five chloride anions in a distorted square-pyramidal geometry. The planar imidazole ring system [maximum deviation =  $0.012$  (3) Å] is oriented at a dihedral angle of  $6.08$  (5)° with respect to the protonated pyridine ring. An  $\text{O}-\text{H}\cdots\text{Cl}$  interaction links the water molecule to the dianion. In the crystal structure, intermolecular  $\text{O}-\text{H}\cdots\text{Cl}$ ,  $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  and  $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{Cl}$  interactions link the molecules into a three-dimensional network.

## Related literature

For the properties of bismuthate(III) compounds, see: Turel *et al.* (1998); Goforth *et al.* (2004).



## Experimental

## Crystal data

 $(\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{11}\text{N}_3)[\text{BiCl}_5]\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$  $M_r = 601.48$ 

Monoclinic,  $P2_1/c$   
 $a = 9.3297$  (19) Å  
 $b = 13.391$  (3) Å  
 $c = 14.476$  (3) Å  
 $\beta = 101.78$  (3)°  
 $V = 1770.6$  (6) Å<sup>3</sup>

$Z = 4$   
Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 10.72$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 294$  K  
 $0.25 \times 0.20 \times 0.16$  mm

## Data collection

Rigaku SCXmini diffractometer  
Absorption correction: multi-scan  
(*CrystalClear*; Rigaku, 2005)  
 $T_{\text{min}} = 0.090$ ,  $T_{\text{max}} = 0.180$

17812 measured reflections  
4049 independent reflections  
2822 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.115$

## Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.052$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.116$   
 $S = 1.15$   
4049 reflections

199 parameters  
H-atom parameters constrained  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 1.28$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -2.37$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
$\text{N1}-\text{H1A}\cdots\text{Cl5}^{\text{i}}$	0.86	2.65	3.267 (8)	130
$\text{N1}-\text{H1A}\cdots\text{Cl1}^{\text{ii}}$	0.86	2.66	3.302 (8)	133
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Data collection: *CrystalClear* (Rigaku, 2005); cell refinement: *CrystalClear*; data reduction: *CrystalClear*; 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: HK2717).

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## 2-(3-Pyridinio)benzimidazolium pentachloridobismuthate(III) monohydrate

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### S1. Comment

Bismuthate(III) compounds have received great attention owing to their anti-ulcer activity (Turel *et al.*, 1998) and their unique optical and electronic properties, including nonlinear optical activity, luminescence and semiconductivity (Goforth *et al.*, 2004). We report herein the crystal structure of the title compound.

The asymmetric unit of the title compound, (Fig. 1), contains a 2-(3'-pyridinio)benzimidazolium dication, a pentachlorobismuthate dianion and a water molecule. In the dianion, the bismuth (III) atom is coordinated by five chloride anions in a distorted square-pyramidal geometry. The Bi-Cl distances are in the range of 2.519 (3)-2.787 (3) Å. In the dication, the planar imidazole ring system [with maximum deviation of 0.012 (3) Å for atom C3] is oriented with respect to the pyridine ring at a dihedral angle of 6.08 (5)°. Intramolecular O-H...Cl interaction links the water molecule to the dianion (Table 1).

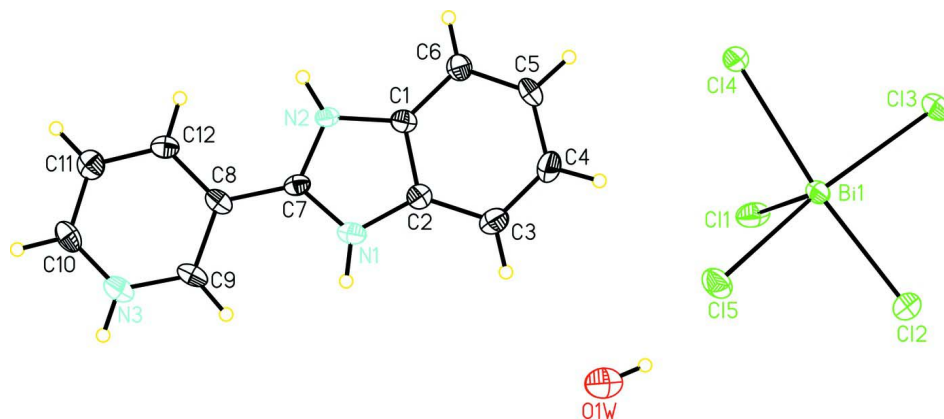
In the crystal structure, intramolecular O-H...Cl and intermolecular N-H...O and N-H...Cl interactions (Table 1) link the molecules into a three-dimensional network (Fig. 2), in which they may be effective in the stabilization of the structure.

### S2. Experimental

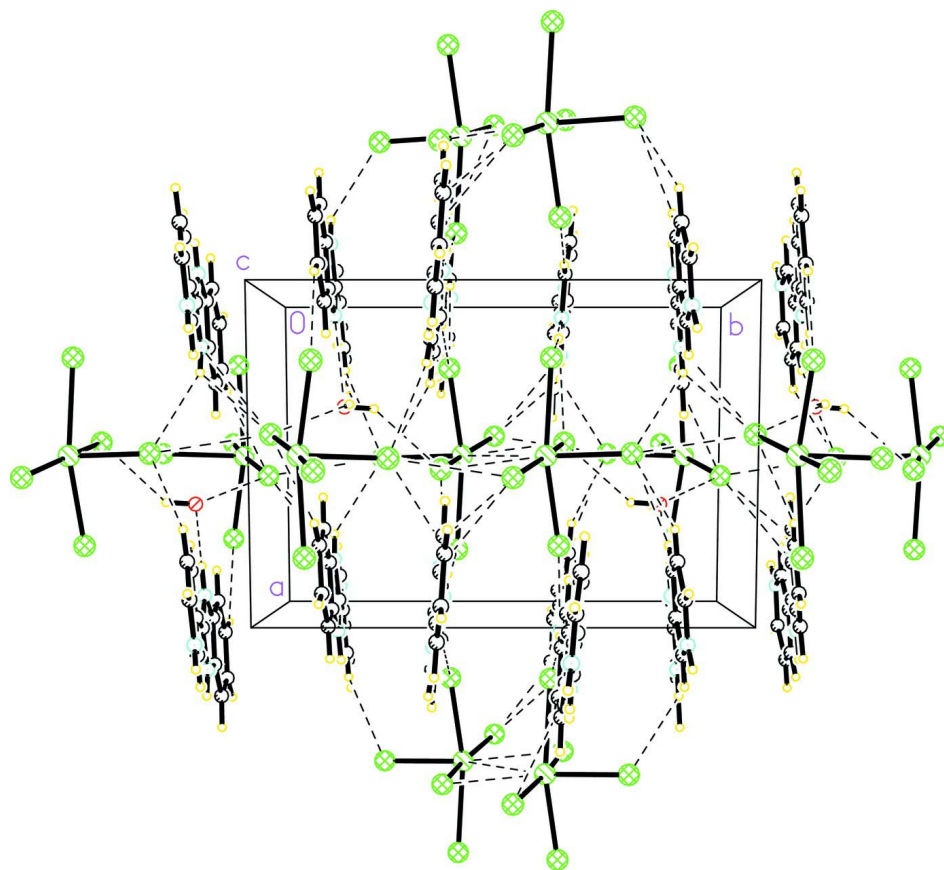
For the preparation of the title compound, concentrated hydrochloric acid (12 M) was added dropwise to a mixture of 2-(3-pyridinio)benzimidazole (0.1 mmol) and water (7 ml), until complete dissolution of the solid phase. Concentrated hydrochloric acid was similarly added dropwise to dissolve the solid phase persisting in a mixture of bismuth chloride (0.3 mmol) and water (5 ml). The two solutions were then mixed and stirred for 20 min. The resulting precipitate was filtered off and dissolved in hydrochloric acid. Colorless crystals suitable for X-ray analysis were obtained after several weeks by slow evaporation of the solvent at room temperature.

### S3. Refinement

H atoms were positioned geometrically with O-H = 0.85 Å (for H<sub>2</sub>O), N-H = 0.86 Å (for NH) and C-H = 0.93 Å for aromatic H atoms and constrained to ride on their parent atoms, with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C}, \text{N}, \text{O})$ .

**Figure 1**

The molecular structure of the title molecule, with the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level

**Figure 2**

A partial packing diagram.

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Cell parameters from 1647 reflections

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## Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$ 

Least-squares matrix: full

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.052$  $wR(F^2) = 0.116$  $S = 1.15$ 

4049 reflections

199 parameters

0 restraints

Primary atom site location: structure-invariant

direct methods

Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map

Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites

H-atom parameters constrained

 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0236P)^2]$ where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$  $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 1.28$  e Å<sup>-3</sup> $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -2.37$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

## 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 (Å<sup>2</sup>)

	$x$	$y$	$z$	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
Bi1	0.50077 (4)	0.91031 (3)	0.12159 (2)	0.03242 (14)
Cl1	0.4928 (3)	0.7336 (2)	0.1799 (2)	0.0538 (8)
Cl2	0.7784 (3)	0.8830 (2)	0.1188 (2)	0.0516 (8)
Cl3	0.4576 (3)	0.8682 (2)	-0.07062 (17)	0.0432 (6)

Cl4	0.1991 (3)	0.8994 (2)	0.09655 (18)	0.0461 (7)
Cl5	0.5648 (3)	0.9799 (2)	0.29758 (18)	0.0474 (7)
O1W	0.6526 (7)	0.8372 (5)	0.4766 (5)	0.060 (2)
H1WA	0.6470	0.7747	0.4854	0.072*
H1WB	0.6594	0.8234	0.4204	0.072*
N1	0.1677 (8)	0.8703 (6)	0.6102 (6)	0.041 (2)
H1A	0.2466	0.8720	0.6529	0.049*
N2	-0.0597 (8)	0.8600 (6)	0.5442 (5)	0.0296 (18)
H2A	-0.1532	0.8541	0.5371	0.036*
N3	0.0630 (10)	0.8739 (7)	0.8836 (6)	0.046 (2)
H3B	0.1305	0.8813	0.9333	0.055*
C1	0.0159 (10)	0.8685 (8)	0.4712 (7)	0.034 (2)
C2	0.1627 (10)	0.8756 (8)	0.5147 (7)	0.039 (3)
C3	0.2710 (12)	0.8833 (10)	0.4600 (8)	0.066 (4)
H3A	0.3700	0.8858	0.4880	0.079*
C4	0.2242 (12)	0.8869 (9)	0.3637 (9)	0.061 (4)
H4A	0.2924	0.8938	0.3253	0.073*
C5	0.0769 (12)	0.8804 (8)	0.3231 (7)	0.049 (3)
H5A	0.0494	0.8827	0.2577	0.058*
C6	-0.0300 (11)	0.8709 (8)	0.3738 (7)	0.041 (3)
H6A	-0.1284	0.8662	0.3448	0.049*
C7	0.0345 (9)	0.8625 (7)	0.6271 (7)	0.030 (2)
C8	-0.0055 (10)	0.8596 (7)	0.7183 (7)	0.030 (2)
C9	0.1021 (11)	0.8701 (8)	0.8005 (7)	0.042 (3)
H9A	0.2003	0.8745	0.7970	0.051*
C10	-0.0742 (12)	0.8670 (8)	0.8940 (7)	0.041 (3)
H10A	-0.0956	0.8702	0.9539	0.050*
C11	-0.1834 (11)	0.8552 (8)	0.8174 (7)	0.041 (3)
H11A	-0.2800	0.8491	0.8243	0.049*
C12	-0.1504 (10)	0.8524 (7)	0.7299 (7)	0.032 (2)
H12A	-0.2255	0.8457	0.6771	0.039*

*Atomic displacement parameters (Å<sup>2</sup>)*

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
Bi1	0.0332 (2)	0.0371 (2)	0.0254 (2)	-0.00200 (18)	0.00251 (15)	0.00118 (18)
Cl1	0.0385 (15)	0.0486 (19)	0.068 (2)	-0.0013 (13)	-0.0025 (14)	0.0145 (15)
Cl2	0.0353 (15)	0.071 (2)	0.0482 (18)	-0.0031 (13)	0.0091 (13)	0.0045 (15)
Cl3	0.0503 (16)	0.0478 (17)	0.0285 (14)	0.0024 (13)	0.0014 (12)	-0.0016 (12)
Cl4	0.0344 (14)	0.072 (2)	0.0317 (14)	0.0069 (13)	0.0062 (11)	-0.0009 (14)
Cl5	0.0567 (17)	0.0524 (19)	0.0308 (15)	-0.0069 (14)	0.0031 (12)	-0.0090 (13)
O1W	0.057 (5)	0.044 (5)	0.074 (6)	-0.010 (4)	-0.001 (4)	0.022 (4)
N1	0.033 (5)	0.051 (6)	0.034 (5)	0.001 (4)	-0.004 (4)	0.002 (4)
N2	0.022 (4)	0.036 (5)	0.029 (5)	0.005 (3)	0.001 (4)	-0.001 (4)
N3	0.050 (6)	0.053 (6)	0.031 (5)	-0.002 (5)	-0.003 (4)	0.001 (4)
C1	0.032 (6)	0.035 (6)	0.033 (6)	-0.001 (4)	0.002 (5)	0.002 (5)
C2	0.033 (6)	0.049 (7)	0.035 (6)	0.001 (5)	0.007 (5)	-0.002 (5)
C3	0.031 (7)	0.114 (12)	0.052 (8)	-0.002 (6)	0.008 (6)	0.020 (8)

C4	0.043 (7)	0.097 (11)	0.050 (8)	0.005 (6)	0.023 (6)	0.020 (7)
C5	0.052 (7)	0.070 (9)	0.024 (6)	0.003 (6)	0.007 (5)	0.009 (5)
C6	0.039 (6)	0.047 (7)	0.037 (6)	-0.001 (5)	0.009 (5)	0.011 (5)
C7	0.024 (5)	0.028 (6)	0.037 (6)	-0.001 (4)	0.001 (5)	-0.004 (5)
C8	0.043 (6)	0.016 (5)	0.026 (5)	-0.006 (4)	0.000 (4)	0.000 (4)
C9	0.044 (6)	0.048 (7)	0.028 (6)	-0.002 (5)	-0.009 (5)	-0.002 (5)
C10	0.063 (7)	0.032 (6)	0.029 (6)	-0.001 (6)	0.008 (5)	-0.006 (5)
C11	0.050 (7)	0.029 (7)	0.045 (7)	0.001 (5)	0.010 (5)	-0.008 (5)
C12	0.032 (6)	0.024 (6)	0.037 (6)	0.000 (4)	-0.001 (5)	0.003 (5)

*Geometric parameters (Å, °)*

Bi1—C11	2.519 (3)	C4—H4A	0.9300
Bi1—C12	2.624 (3)	C5—C6	1.359 (13)
Bi1—C13	2.787 (3)	C5—H5A	0.9300
Bi1—C14	2.767 (3)	C6—H6A	0.9300
Bi1—C15	2.664 (3)	C7—N1	1.319 (11)
O1W—H1WA	0.8500	C7—N2	1.335 (10)
O1W—H1WB	0.8500	C7—C8	1.443 (12)
N1—H1A	0.8600	C8—C9	1.399 (12)
N2—H2A	0.8600	C8—C12	1.400 (12)
N3—H3B	0.8600	C9—N3	1.327 (12)
C1—C6	1.389 (13)	C9—H9A	0.9300
C1—C2	1.389 (12)	C10—N3	1.322 (13)
C1—N2	1.390 (11)	C10—C11	1.354 (13)
C2—N1	1.376 (12)	C10—H10A	0.9300
C2—C3	1.409 (14)	C11—C12	1.363 (13)
C3—C4	1.375 (15)	C11—H11A	0.9300
C3—H3A	0.9300	C12—H12A	0.9300
C4—C5	1.383 (14)		
C11—Bi1—C12	88.33 (9)	C2—C3—H3A	121.4
C11—Bi1—C13	97.85 (9)	C3—C4—C5	120.7 (10)
C11—Bi1—C14	83.99 (8)	C3—C4—H4A	119.6
C11—Bi1—C15	91.41 (10)	C5—C4—H4A	119.6
C12—Bi1—C13	84.18 (9)	C6—C5—C4	123.5 (10)
C12—Bi1—C14	166.23 (9)	C6—C5—H5A	118.2
C12—Bi1—C15	91.96 (9)	C4—C5—H5A	118.2
C14—Bi1—C13	85.56 (8)	C5—C6—C1	116.2 (10)
C15—Bi1—C13	169.84 (8)	C5—C6—H6A	121.9
C15—Bi1—C14	99.63 (8)	C1—C6—H6A	121.9
H1WA—O1W—H1WB	87.0	N1—C7—N2	107.9 (8)
C2—N1—H1A	124.7	N1—C7—C8	126.9 (9)
C7—N1—C2	110.5 (8)	N2—C7—C8	125.1 (8)
C7—N1—H1A	124.7	C9—C8—C12	116.6 (9)
C1—N2—H2A	125.1	C9—C8—C7	120.1 (9)
C7—N2—C1	109.7 (8)	C12—C8—C7	123.3 (8)
C7—N2—H2A	125.1	N3—C9—C8	119.5 (10)

C9—N3—H3B	118.2	N3—C9—H9A	120.2
C10—N3—C9	123.5 (10)	C8—C9—H9A	120.2
C10—N3—H3B	118.2	N3—C10—C11	120.0 (10)
C6—C1—C2	122.0 (9)	N3—C10—H10A	120.0
C6—C1—N2	132.4 (9)	C11—C10—H10A	120.0
C2—C1—N2	105.5 (8)	C10—C11—C12	119.3 (10)
N1—C2—C1	106.2 (9)	C10—C11—H11A	120.4
N1—C2—C3	133.4 (10)	C12—C11—H11A	120.4
C1—C2—C3	120.3 (10)	C11—C12—C8	121.1 (9)
C4—C3—C2	117.2 (10)	C11—C12—H12A	119.4
C4—C3—H3A	121.4	C8—C12—H12A	119.4

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