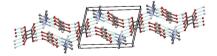


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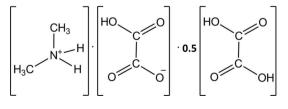
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Single crystals of the title salt, $Me_2NH_2^+ HC_2O_4^- 0.5H_2C_2O_4$, were isolated as a side product from the reaction involving Me₂NH, $H_2C_2O_4$ and $Sn(n-Bu)_3Cl$ in a 1:2 ratio in methanol or by the reaction of the $(Me_2NH_2)_2C_2O_4$ salt and $Sn(CH_3)_3Cl$ in a 2:1 ratio in ethanol. The asymmetric unit comprises a dimethylammonium cation (Me₂NH₂⁺), an hydrogenoxalate anion (HC₂O₄⁻), and half a molecule of oxalic acid $(H_2C_2O_4)$ situated about an inversion center. From a supramolecular point of view, the three components interact together via hydrogen bonding. The $Me_2NH_2^+$ cations and the $HC_2O_4^-$ anions are in close proximity through bifurcated $N-H \cdots (O,O)$ hydrogen bonds, while the $HC_2O_4^$ anions are organized into infinite chains via O-H···O hydrogen bonds, propagating along the *a*-axis direction. In addition, the oxalic acid $(H_2C_2O_4)$ molecules play the role of connectors between these chains. Both the carbonyl and hydroxyl groups of each diacid are involved in four intermolecular interactions with two Me₂NH₂⁺ and two HC₂O₄⁻ ions of four distinct polymeric chains, via two N-H···O and two O-H···O hydrogen bonds, respectively. The resulting molecular assembly can be viewed as a two-dimensional bilayer-like arrangement lying parallel to (010), and reinforced by a $C-H\cdots O$ hydrogen bond.

1. Chemical context

Within the scope of our research on the crystal structure determination of new organotin compounds containing dialkyammonium, we recently reported the structures of bis(dimethylammonium) tetrachloridodimethylstannate(IV) [Diop *et al.*, 2011] and dimethylammonium dichloridotriphenylstannate(IV) [Sow *et al.*, 2012]. Continuing our quest in this field, we report herein on the crystal structure of the title salt, Me₂NH₂⁺·HC₂O₄⁻·0.5H₂C₂O₄, isolated from two distinct reaction pathways, *viz.* mixing Me₂NH, H₂C₂O₄ and SnBu₃Cl in methanol or the reaction of the (Me₂NH₂)₂C₂O₄ salt and Sn(CH₃)₃Cl in ethanol.



The title salt constitutes a new example of dialkylammonium hydrogenoxalates and thus supplements the number of crystal structures resolved to date for this type of salt (Birnbaum, 1972; Thomas & Pramatus, 1975; Thomas, 1977; Gündisch *et al.*, 2001; Warden *et al.*, 2005). In addition,

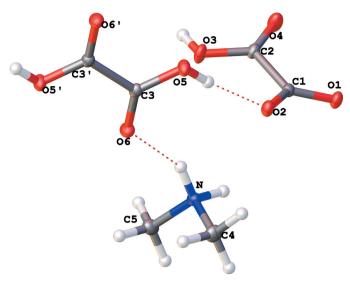


Figure 1

A view of the molecular structure of the title salt, with the atom labelling. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.

and because of their capacity to easily develop hydrogenbonding networks, carboxylic acids and their derivatives are of great interest in the field of crystal engineering, leading to a large diversity of supramolecular topologies (Ivasenko & Perepichka, 2011).

2. Structural comments

In the asymmetric unit of the title salt there are three components: one dimethylammonium cation $(Me_2NH_2^+)$, one hydrogenoxalate anion $(HC_2O_4^-)$, and half a molecule of oxalic acid $(H_2C_2O_4)$ which possess inversion symmetry (Fig. 1). All three entities are linked by intermolecular interactions (Table 1 and Fig. 2). The Me_2NH_2^+ cation is in close proximity with the HC_2O_4^- anion through bifurcated N-H···(O,O) hydrogen bonds [N1-H1A···O1 = 2.854 (1) Å] and N1-H1A···O4 = 2.964 (1) Å]. The lengths of the N-C bonds [N1-C4 = 1.4822 (12) and N1-C5 = 1.4842 (12) Å] are nearly identical of those reported previously for Me_2NH_2^+·HC_2O_4^- (Thomas, 1977). The Me_2NH_2^+ cation is also involved in hydrogen bonding with one of the two carbonyl groups of the oxalic acid molecule [N1-H1B···O6 = 2.846 (1) Å]. The HC_2O_4^- hydrogenoxalate anions form a

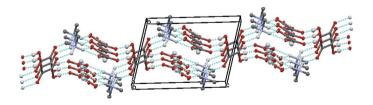


Figure 2

Crystal packing of the title salt, viewed along the *a* axis, showing the twodimensional bilayer-like arrangement formed through $N-H\cdots O$ and $O-H\cdots O$ hydrogen bonds (dashed lines; details are given in Table 1). H atoms not involved in hydrogen bonding have been omitted for clarity.

Table	1			
Hydro	gen-bond	geometry	(Å,	°).

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$D - H \cdots A$	$D-\mathrm{H}$	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
$O3-H3\cdots O1^i$	0.84	1.73	2.564 (1)	174
$O5-H5\cdots O2$	0.84	1.73	2.565 (1)	170
$N1-H1A\cdots O1^{ii}$	0.91	2.08	2.854 (1)	143
$N1-H1A\cdots O4^{ii}$	0.91	2.23	2.964 (1)	137
$N1 - H1B \cdots O6$	0.91	2.05	2.846(1)	146
$C5-H5C\cdots O4^{iii}$	0.98	2.41	3.346 (1)	159

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

one-dimensional chain along the *a*-axis direction *via* the formation of $O-H\cdots O$ hydrogen bonds $[O3-H3\cdots O1 = 2.564 (1) \text{ Å}]$. Furthermore, the $HC_2O_4^-$ anion is also involved in hydrogen bonding with one of the two hydroxyl groups of the oxalic acid molecule $[O5-H5\cdots O2 = 2.565 (1) \text{ Å}]$.

3. Supramolecular features

From a supramolecular point of view, the combination of these intermolecular interactions leads to the formation of a molecular assembly which can be described as a two-dimensional bilayer-like arrangement, parallel to (010), consisting of antiparallel infinite chains of Me₂NH₂⁺·HC₂O₄⁻ (Table 1 and Fig. 3), with an inter-chain distance of *ca* 3.0 Å. The oxalic acid molecules are organized in a parallel offset fashion, and act as hydrogen-bond connectors between the chains, involving both the carbonyl and hydroxyl groups (Table 1 and Figs. 2 and 3).

4. Database survey

The crystal structure of $Me_2NH_2^+ \cdot HC_2O_4^-$, first reported by Thomas & Pramatus (1975) and then completed in 1977

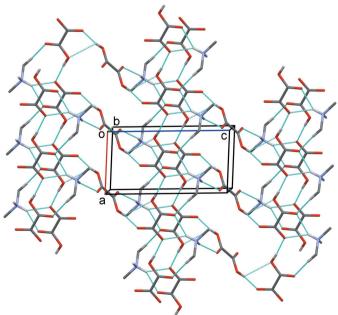


Figure 3

Crystal packing of the title salt viewed along the b axis. The hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines (see Table 1 for details) and H atoms not involved in hydrogen bonding have been omitted for clarity.

(Thomas, 1977), shows a supramolecular structure qualified as a puckered layer. In particular, the HC₂O₄⁻ ions are linked *via* $O-H\cdots O$ hydrogen bonds [2.533 (1) Å], leading to an infinite chain along [100]. In the title salt, the HC₂O₄⁻ ions interact in the same manner but through slightly longer O- $H\cdots O$ hydrogen bonds [2.564 (1) Å]. In addition, the oxalic acid molecules that co-crystallize with Me₂NH₂⁺·HC₂O₄⁻ act both as donors and acceptors of hydrogen bonds through N- $H\cdots O$ and $O-H\cdots O$ bonds with the Me₂NH₂⁺ cation and HC₂O₄⁻ anion, respectively. Consequently, the degree of supramolecularity is increased here, resulting in a twodimensional architecture parallel to (010), which is reinforced by a C-H···O hydrogen bond (Table 1 and Figs. 2 and 3).

5. Synthesis and crystallization

Crystals of the title compound were obtained by mixing in 20 ml methanol (98% purity) Me_2NH (0.30 g, 6.67 mmol), $H_2C_2O_4$ (0.60 g, 6.67 mmol) and $Sn(n-Bu)_3Cl$ (4.39 g, 13.33 mmol). Another experimental method is the reaction between the $(Me_2NH_2)_2C_2O_4$ salt (0.50 g, 2.77 mmol), previously synthesized from oxalic acid and dimethylamine, and $Sn(CH_3)_3Cl$ (0.28 g, 1.39 mmol) in 15 ml of ethanol (98% purity). In both cases, the reaction mixture was stirred for *ca* 2 h at room temperature. Colourless crystals were obtained after one week by slow evaporation of the solvent.

6. Refinement

Crystal data, data collection and structure refinement details are summarized in Table 2. All the H atoms were placed in calculated positions and refined as riding: O-H = 0.84 Å, N-H = 0.91 Å, and C-H = 0.98 Å with $U_{iso}(H) = 1.5U_{eq}(C,O)$ and $1.2U_{eq}(N)$.

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Table 2	
Experimental	details.

Crystal data	
Chemical formula	$C_2H_8N^+ \cdot C_2HO_4^- \cdot 0.5C_2H_2O_4$
$M_{ m r}$	180.14
Crystal system, space group	Triclinic, $P\overline{1}$
Temperature (K)	100
a, b, c (Å)	5.6519 (3), 7.5809 (4), 10.3100 (6)
α, β, γ (°)	75.467 (2), 88.120 (2), 69.487 (2)
$V(Å^3)$	399.76 (4)
Ζ	2
Radiation type	Μο Κα
$\mu \text{ (mm}^{-1})$	0.14
Crystal size (mm)	$0.5 \times 0.3 \times 0.1$
Data collection	
Diffractometer	Bruker D8 Venture triumph Mo
Absorption correction	Multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker,
•	2014)
T_{\min}, T_{\max}	0.693, 0.746
No. of measured, independent and	10413, 1840, 1655
observed $[I \ge 2\sigma(I)]$ reflections	
R _{int}	0.023
$(\sin \theta / \lambda)_{\rm max} ({\rm \AA}^{-1})$	0.651
Refinement	
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)], wR(F^2), S$	0.028, 0.075, 1.07
No. of reflections	1840
No. of parameters	113
H-atom treatment	H-atom parameters not refined
$\Delta \rho_{\rm max}, \Delta \rho_{\rm min} \ ({ m e} \ { m \AA}^{-3})$	0.38, -0.26

Computer programs: APEX2 and SAINT (Bruker, 2014), SUPERFLIP (Palatinus & Chapuis, 2007), SHELXL2014 (Sheldrick, 2015), OLEX2 (Dolomanov et al., 2009) and Mercury (Macrae et al., 2008.

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Computing details

Data collection: *APEX2* (Bruker, 2014); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2014); data reduction: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2014); program(s) used to solve structure: SUPERFLIP (Palatinus & Chapuis, 2007); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL2014* (Sheldrick, 2015); molecular graphics: Olex2 (Dolomanov *et al.*, 2009) and *Mercury* (Macrae *et al.*, 2008; software used to prepare material for publication: Olex2 (Dolomanov *et al.*, 2009).

Dimethylammonium hydrogen oxalate hemi(oxalic acid)

Crystal data $C_2H_8N^+ \cdot C_2HO_4^- \cdot 0.5C_2H_2O_4$ Z = 2 $M_r = 180.14$ F(000) = 190.1598Triclinic, $P\overline{1}$ $D_{\rm x} = 1.497 {\rm Mg} {\rm m}^{-3}$ Hall symbol: -P 1 Mo *K* α radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å a = 5.6519(3) Å Cell parameters from 7049 reflections *b* = 7.5809 (4) Å $\theta = 3.0-27.6^{\circ}$ c = 10.3100 (6) Å $\mu = 0.14 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ $\alpha = 75.467 (2)^{\circ}$ T = 100 K $\beta = 88.120 \ (2)^{\circ}$ Prism, colourless $0.5 \times 0.3 \times 0.1 \text{ mm}$ $\gamma = 69.487 \ (2)^{\circ}$ V = 399.76 (4) Å³ Data collection Bruker D8 Venture triumph Mo 10413 measured reflections diffractometer 1840 independent reflections Radiation source: X-ray tube, Siemens KFF Mo 1655 reflections with $I \ge 2\sigma(I)$ 2K-90C $R_{\rm int} = 0.023$ TRIUMPH curved crystal monochromator $\theta_{\rm max} = 27.6^{\circ}, \ \theta_{\rm min} = 3.0^{\circ}$ $h = -7 \rightarrow 7$ φ and ω scans $k = -9 \rightarrow 9$ Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 2014) $l = -13 \rightarrow 13$ $T_{\rm min} = 0.693, T_{\rm max} = 0.746$ Refinement Refinement on F^2 Hydrogen site location: inferred from Least-squares matrix: full neighbouring sites $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.028$ H-atom parameters not refined $wR(F^2) = 0.075$ $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_0^2) + (0.0375P)^2 + 0.1325P]$ S = 1.07where $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ 1840 reflections $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$

 $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.38 \text{ e } {\rm \AA}^{-3}$ $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.26 \text{ e } {\rm \AA}^{-3}$

113 parameters

0 restraints

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.

	x	у	Ζ	$U_{ m iso}$ */ $U_{ m eq}$
01	0.75407 (12)	0.32103 (10)	0.47166 (7)	0.01407 (16)
02	0.57685 (12)	0.40754 (10)	0.26360 (7)	0.01329 (16)
03	0.14369 (12)	0.38767 (11)	0.36954 (7)	0.01625 (17)
H3	0.0215	0.3632	0.4083	0.024*
04	0.36051 (14)	0.20987 (11)	0.56626 (7)	0.02010 (17)
05	0.29036 (13)	0.37192 (10)	0.09144 (7)	0.01471 (16)
15	0.3683	0.3944	0.1497	0.022*
D6	0.01961 (13)	0.67729 (10)	0.07499 (7)	0.01568 (16)
C1	0.57857 (16)	0.34999 (13)	0.38821 (9)	0.01061 (18)
22	0.34558 (17)	0.30728 (13)	0.45205 (9)	0.01216 (19)
23	0.08336 (17)	0.52128 (13)	0.04793 (9)	0.01171 (19)
N1	0.22327 (15)	0.83866 (11)	0.24521 (8)	0.01223 (17)
H1A	0.3034	0.7852	0.3284	0.015*
H1B	0.1697	0.7490	0.2236	0.015*
C4	0.40571 (19)	0.88277 (15)	0.14735 (10)	0.0182 (2)
H4A	0.3224	0.9359	0.0569	0.027*
H4B	0.5500	0.7630	0.1500	0.027*
H4C	0.4653	0.9785	0.1705	0.027*
C5	-0.00007 (19)	1.01362 (14)	0.24892 (11)	0.0177 (2)
H5A	-0.0886	1.0711	0.1598	0.027*
H5B	0.0557	1.1091	0.2751	0.027*
H5C	-0.1149	0.9761	0.3143	0.027*

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}
01	0.0100 (3)	0.0212 (4)	0.0119 (3)	-0.0072 (3)	-0.0008 (2)	-0.0031 (3)
O2	0.0113 (3)	0.0178 (3)	0.0107 (3)	-0.0060 (3)	-0.0004(2)	-0.0024 (3)
03	0.0089 (3)	0.0274 (4)	0.0131 (3)	-0.0087 (3)	0.0002 (3)	-0.0030 (3)
04	0.0162 (4)	0.0286 (4)	0.0148 (3)	-0.0123 (3)	-0.0008(3)	0.0022 (3)
O5	0.0134 (3)	0.0149 (3)	0.0150 (3)	-0.0021 (3)	-0.0044 (3)	-0.0059 (3)
06	0.0178 (3)	0.0130 (3)	0.0166 (3)	-0.0046 (3)	-0.0040 (3)	-0.0051 (3)
C1	0.0087 (4)	0.0105 (4)	0.0127 (4)	-0.0028 (3)	0.0003 (3)	-0.0039 (3)
C2	0.0103 (4)	0.0154 (4)	0.0126 (4)	-0.0057 (3)	0.0004 (3)	-0.0050 (3)
C3	0.0127 (4)	0.0138 (4)	0.0091 (4)	-0.0059 (3)	-0.0003 (3)	-0.0018 (3)
N1	0.0145 (4)	0.0118 (4)	0.0107 (4)	-0.0050 (3)	-0.0005 (3)	-0.0028(3)
C4	0.0166 (5)	0.0202 (5)	0.0186 (5)	-0.0074 (4)	0.0050 (4)	-0.0055 (4)
C5	0.0152 (5)	0.0148 (4)	0.0211 (5)	-0.0037 (4)	0.0033 (4)	-0.0034(4)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

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01—C1	1.2573 (11)	N1—H1A	0.9100
O2—C1	1.2480 (11)	N1—H1B	0.9100
O3—H3	0.8400	N1—C4	1.4822 (12)
O3—C2	1.3089 (11)	N1—C5	1.4842 (12)
O4—C2	1.2105 (12)	C4—H4A	0.9800
O5—H5	0.8400	C4—H4B	0.9800
O5—C3	1.3051 (11)	C4—H4C	0.9800
O6—C3	1.2111 (12)	С5—Н5А	0.9800
C1—C2	1.5515 (13)	С5—Н5В	0.9800
C3—C3 ⁱ	1.5501 (17)	С5—Н5С	0.9800
С2—О3—Н3	109.5	C5—N1—H1A	109.0
С3—О5—Н5	109.5	C5—N1—H1B	109.0
O1—C1—C2	114.27 (8)	N1—C4—H4A	109.5
O2—C1—O1	126.60 (8)	N1—C4—H4B	109.5
O2—C1—C2	119.13 (8)	N1—C4—H4C	109.5
O3—C2—C1	112.45 (8)	H4A—C4—H4B	109.5
O4—C2—O3	126.54 (9)	H4A—C4—H4C	109.5
O4—C2—C1	121.01 (8)	H4B—C4—H4C	109.5
O5—C3—C3 ⁱ	111.64 (10)	N1—C5—H5A	109.5
O6—C3—O5	126.87 (8)	N1—C5—H5B	109.5
O6—C3—C3 ⁱ	121.48 (10)	N1—C5—H5C	109.5
H1A—N1—H1B	107.8	H5A—C5—H5B	109.5
C4—N1—H1A	109.0	H5A—C5—H5C	109.5
C4—N1—H1B	109.0	H5B—C5—H5C	109.5
C4—N1—C5	112.87 (8)		
O1—C1—C2—O3	162.31 (8)	O2—C1—C2—O3	-17.79 (12)
O1—C1—C2—O4	-17.45 (13)	O2—C1—C2—O4	162.45 (9)

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

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

D—H···A	<i>D</i> —Н	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	D—H··· A
O3—H3…O1 ⁱⁱ	0.84	1.73	2.564 (1)	174
O5—H5…O2	0.84	1.73	2.565 (1)	170
N1—H1A···O1 ⁱⁱⁱ	0.91	2.08	2.854 (1)	143
N1—H1A····O4 ⁱⁱⁱ	0.91	2.23	2.964 (1)	137
N1—H1 <i>B</i> …O6	0.91	2.05	2.846(1)	146
C5—H5 <i>C</i> ···O4 ^{iv}	0.98	2.41	3.346(1)	159

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