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## tert-Butylaminium phosphite

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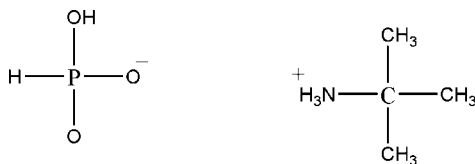
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 Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 295$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.030;  $wR$  factor = 0.084; data-to-parameter ratio = 14.8.

 In the title compound,  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_{12}\text{N}^+\cdot\text{H}_2\text{PO}_3^-$ , the components are linked by intermolecular  $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  and  $\text{O}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  hydrogen bonds, resulting in a two-dimensional framework.

## Related literature

 For general background, see: Rao *et al.* (2000); Wang *et al.* (2002). For related structures, see: Loub *et al.* (1978); Smolin *et al.* (2003).


## Experimental

## Crystal data

 $\text{C}_4\text{H}_{12}\text{N}^+\cdot\text{H}_2\text{PO}_3^-$ 
 $M_r = 155.13$ 

 Monoclinic,  $P2_1/c$ 
 $a = 7.621$  (2) Å

 $b = 6.561$  (2) Å

 $c = 17.545$  (5) Å

 $\beta = 111.10$  (3)°

 $V = 818.5$  (4) Å<sup>3</sup>
 $Z = 4$ 

 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation

 $\mu = 0.28$  mm<sup>-1</sup>
 $T = 295$  K

 $0.2 \times 0.15 \times 0.11$  mm

## Data collection

Enraf–Nonius CAD-4

diffractometer

Absorption correction: none

4275 measured reflections

1524 independent reflections

 1332 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.023$ 

3 standard reflections

every 100 reflections

intensity decay: none

## Refinement

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.030$ 
 $wR(F^2) = 0.084$ 
 $S = 1.06$ 

1524 reflections

103 parameters

H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement

 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.19$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.24$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
$\text{N1}-\text{H3N}\cdots\text{O1}^{\text{i}}$	0.90 (2)	1.93 (2)	2.826 (2)	173.1 (18)
$\text{N1}-\text{H2N}\cdots\text{O3}^{\text{ii}}$	0.94 (2)	1.91 (2)	2.8425 (19)	174.7 (17)
$\text{N1}-\text{H1N}\cdots\text{O1}$	0.87 (2)	1.94 (2)	2.806 (2)	173.1 (19)
$\text{O2}-\text{H1O}\cdots\text{O3}^{\text{iii}}$	0.829 (10)	1.808 (10)	2.6339 (17)	174 (2)

 Symmetry codes: (i)  $-x + 1, y - \frac{1}{2}, -z + \frac{1}{2}$ ; (ii)  $x, y - 1, z$ ; (iii)  $-x + 1, -y + 2, -z + 1$ .

 Data collection: *CAD-4 Software* (Enraf–Nonius, 1989); cell refinement: *CAD-4 Software*; data reduction: *NRCVAX* (Gabe *et al.*, 1989); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL/PC* (Sheldrick, 2008); software used to prepare material for publication: *WinGX* (Farrugia, 1999).

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**tert-Butylaminium phosphite****Fang-Fang Jian and Jun-Li Zhang****S1. Comment**

Recently, compounds containing the phosphorous acid group have attracted much interest because they exhibit some biological activities and the functions of intermediates in the formation of open-framework metal phosphates templated by organic amines (Rao *et al.*, 2000; Wang *et al.*, 2002). Though the structure of H<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>3</sub> ion was described previously (Loub *et al.*, 1978), the ammonium phosphite zwitterion was only reported by Smolin (Smolin *et al.*, 2003). In order to search for new phosphite compounds with higher bioactivity, we synthesized the title compound and report herein its crystal structure.

In the title compound, (Fig. 1), the bond lengths and angles (Table 1) are generally within normal ranges (Smolin *et al.*, 2003). The NH<sub>3</sub> group of alkyl is additionally protonated by an H atom of the phosphite ion to give a positively charged molecule. The phosphite ion is shaped like a tetrahedron. The H1P atom is localized at the P atom at a distance of 1.278 (19) Å, which is not involved in hydrogen bonding. The O2-P1 [1.5708 (15) Å] bond is significantly longer than the other P-O bonds of the tetrahedron (Table 1). Phosphite and amine molecules are linked by intramolecular N-H...O hydrogen bonds (Table 2).

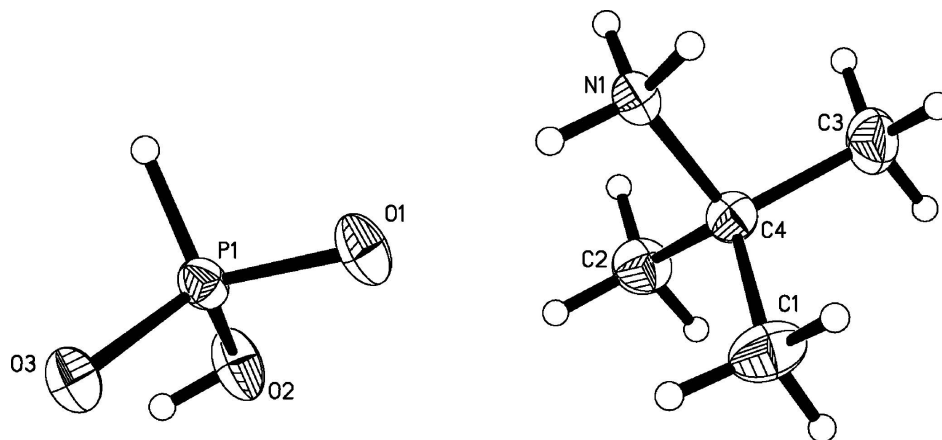
In the crystal structure, intermolecular N-H...O and O-H...O hydrogen bonds (Table 2) link the molecules (Fig. 2). Each two orthophosphorous acids are linked by O-H...O hydrogen bonds into channels, while the orthophosphorous acids and amine molecules are linked by N-H...O hydrogen bonds into chains. Then, the chains are linked by N-H...O and O-H...O hydrogen bonds into a two-dimensional framework, as in the phosphates reported by Smolin (Smolin *et al.*, 2003), in which they may be effective in the stabilization of the structure.

**S2. Experimental**

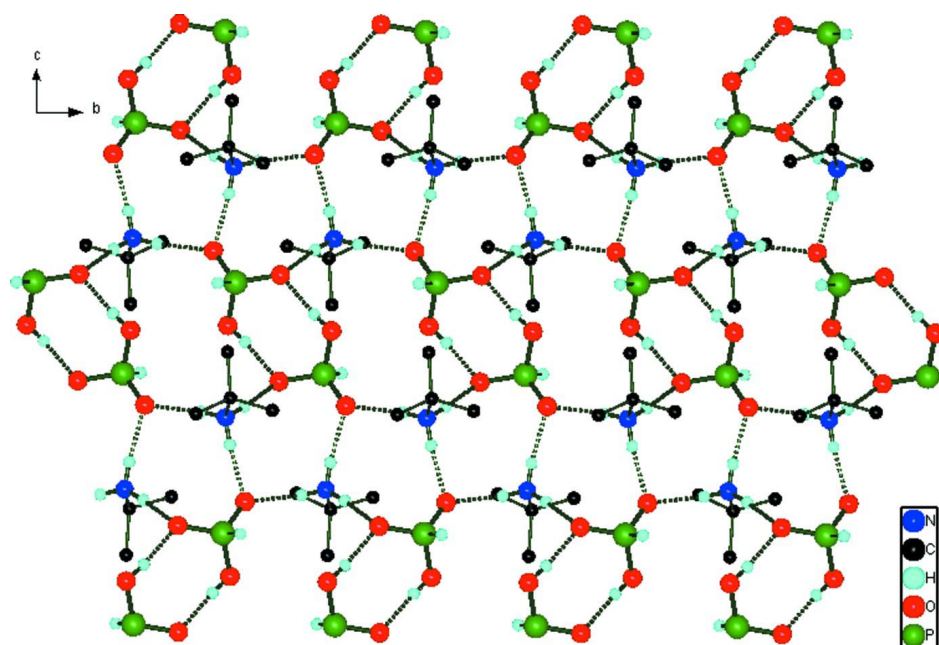
The title compound was prepared by the reaction of phosphorous acid (0.164 g, 2.0 mmol) and *tert*-butylamine (0.182 g, 2.5 mmol) stirred in water/ethanol (5:1 v/v) solution (20 ml). Single crystals suitable for X-ray analysis were obtained by recrystallization from water/ethanol (5:1 v/v) solution at room temperature over a period of 3 d.

**S3. Refinement**

H1N, H2N, H3N (for NH<sub>3</sub>), H1O (for OH) and H1P (for PH) were located in difference synthesis and refined isotropically [N-H = 0.87 (2)-0.94 (2) Å, U<sub>iso</sub>(H) = 0.041 (5)-0.052 (6) Å<sup>2</sup>; O-H = 0.829 (10) Å, U<sub>iso</sub>(H) = 0.063 (7) Å<sup>2</sup> and P-H = 1.278 (19) Å, U<sub>iso</sub>(H) = 0.046 (5) Å<sup>2</sup>]. The remaining H atoms were positioned geometrically with C-H = 0.96 Å, for methyl H atoms and constrained to ride on their parent atoms, with U<sub>iso</sub>(H) = 1.5U<sub>eq</sub>(C).

**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 stereoview of the crystal structure of the title compound. Showing the formation of channels and two-dimensional framework. For the sake of clarity, H atoms bonded to C atoms have been omitted. Hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines. Color scheme: C = black, O = red, N = blue, P = green, H = cyan.

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$V = 818.5 (4) \text{ \AA}^3$

$Z = 4$

$F(000) = 336$   
 $D_x = 1.259 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$   
 Melting point: 504.8 K  
 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$   
 Cell parameters from 25 reflections

$\theta = 4\text{--}14^\circ$   
 $\mu = 0.28 \text{ mm}^{-1}$   
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 Block, colorless  
 $0.2 \times 0.15 \times 0.11 \text{ mm}$

*Data collection*

Enraf–Nonius CAD-4  
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 Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube  
 Graphite monochromator  
 $\omega$  scans  
 4275 measured reflections  
 1524 independent reflections  
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 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.5^\circ$ ,  $\theta_{\text{min}} = 2.5^\circ$   
 $h = -9 \rightarrow 7$   
 $k = -7 \rightarrow 7$   
 $l = -21 \rightarrow 19$   
 3 standard reflections every 100 reflections  
 intensity decay: none

*Refinement*

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 Least-squares matrix: full  
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.030$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.084$   
 $S = 1.06$   
 1524 reflections  
 103 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 atoms treated by a mixture of independent  
 and constrained refinement  
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0424P)^2 + 0.222P]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.19 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.24 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 Extinction correction: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick,  
 2008),  $F_c^* = kF_c[1 + 0.001x F_c^2 \lambda^3 / \sin(2\theta)]^{-1/4}$   
 Extinction coefficient: 0.040 (4)

*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 ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )*

	$x$	$y$	$z$	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
P1	0.45578 (6)	0.77903 (6)	0.40886 (2)	0.03180 (18)
H1P	0.308 (3)	0.691 (3)	0.4103 (11)	0.046 (5)*
O1	0.51036 (19)	0.66932 (19)	0.34600 (7)	0.0445 (4)
O2	0.6124 (2)	0.7419 (2)	0.49496 (8)	0.0496 (4)
H1O	0.606 (3)	0.829 (3)	0.5280 (11)	0.063 (7)*
O3	0.41488 (17)	1.00287 (17)	0.39392 (7)	0.0386 (3)
N1	0.6062 (2)	0.2679 (2)	0.32177 (9)	0.0334 (3)
H1N	0.574 (3)	0.389 (3)	0.3327 (12)	0.048 (6)*
H2N	0.544 (3)	0.174 (3)	0.3436 (11)	0.041 (5)*
H3N	0.563 (3)	0.246 (3)	0.2674 (14)	0.052 (6)*

C1	0.9076 (3)	0.4138 (4)	0.32887 (14)	0.0620 (6)
H1A	1.0419	0.4067	0.3547	0.093*
H1B	0.8640	0.5427	0.3410	0.093*
H1C	0.8732	0.4002	0.2708	0.093*
C2	0.8688 (3)	0.2586 (3)	0.45276 (11)	0.0497 (5)
H2A	1.0015	0.2371	0.4796	0.074*
H2B	0.8010	0.1568	0.4702	0.074*
H2C	0.8361	0.3914	0.4665	0.074*
C3	0.8674 (3)	0.0346 (3)	0.33646 (13)	0.0538 (5)
H3A	1.0000	0.0113	0.3628	0.081*
H3B	0.7991	-0.0684	0.3531	0.081*
H3C	0.8344	0.0292	0.2783	0.081*
C4	0.8178 (2)	0.2434 (2)	0.36060 (11)	0.0372 (4)

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

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
P1	0.0408 (3)	0.0290 (3)	0.0292 (3)	-0.00216 (17)	0.0170 (2)	-0.00246 (16)
O1	0.0689 (9)	0.0358 (7)	0.0335 (7)	0.0069 (6)	0.0242 (6)	-0.0032 (5)
O2	0.0685 (9)	0.0427 (8)	0.0329 (7)	0.0185 (6)	0.0124 (7)	-0.0020 (5)
O3	0.0508 (7)	0.0330 (7)	0.0332 (6)	0.0054 (5)	0.0168 (5)	0.0001 (5)
N1	0.0418 (8)	0.0286 (8)	0.0317 (8)	0.0013 (6)	0.0157 (7)	-0.0006 (6)
C1	0.0575 (13)	0.0658 (14)	0.0668 (14)	-0.0160 (11)	0.0272 (11)	0.0103 (11)
C2	0.0500 (11)	0.0570 (12)	0.0375 (10)	-0.0032 (9)	0.0103 (9)	-0.0018 (8)
C3	0.0512 (11)	0.0512 (12)	0.0612 (12)	0.0124 (9)	0.0229 (10)	-0.0050 (9)
C4	0.0369 (9)	0.0376 (9)	0.0385 (9)	-0.0009 (7)	0.0153 (8)	-0.0001 (7)

*Geometric parameters (Å, °)*

P1—H1P	1.278 (19)	C1—H1B	0.9600
O1—P1	1.4958 (12)	C1—H1C	0.9599
O2—P1	1.5708 (15)	C2—C4	1.524 (3)
O2—H1O	0.829 (10)	C2—H2A	0.9600
O3—P1	1.5043 (12)	C2—H2B	0.9600
N1—C4	1.516 (2)	C2—H2C	0.9600
N1—H1N	0.87 (2)	C3—C4	1.521 (2)
N1—H2N	0.94 (2)	C3—H3A	0.9600
N1—H3N	0.90 (2)	C3—H3B	0.9600
C1—C4	1.517 (3)	C3—H3C	0.9600
C1—H1A	0.9600		
O1—P1—O2	108.54 (8)	C4—C2—H2A	109.4
O1—P1—O3	115.87 (7)	C4—C2—H2B	109.4
O1—P1—H1P	106.1 (8)	C4—C2—H2C	109.6
O2—P1—H1P	106.3 (8)	H2B—C2—H2A	109.5
O3—P1—O2	110.90 (7)	H2C—C2—H2A	109.5
O3—P1—H1P	108.5 (8)	H2C—C2—H2B	109.5
P1—O2—H1O	110.5 (16)	C4—C3—H3A	109.5

C4—N1—H1N	109.6 (13)	C4—C3—H3B	109.5
C4—N1—H2N	111.0 (11)	C4—C3—H3C	109.5
C4—N1—H3N	112.5 (14)	H3B—C3—H3A	109.5
H2N—N1—H1N	106.5 (16)	H3C—C3—H3B	109.5
H3N—N1—H1N	110.8 (17)	H3C—C3—H3A	109.5
H3N—N1—H2N	106.2 (16)	N1—C4—C1	107.70 (15)
C4—C1—H1A	109.6	N1—C4—C2	107.08 (15)
C4—C1—H1B	109.2	N1—C4—C3	107.52 (14)
C4—C1—H1C	109.5	C1—C4—C2	111.37 (16)
H1B—C1—H1A	109.5	C1—C4—C3	111.79 (17)
H1C—C1—H1A	109.5	C3—C4—C2	111.14 (15)
H1C—C1—H1B	109.5		

*Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)*

<i>D</i> —H... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H	H... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> ... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H... <i>A</i>
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