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# 2,4,6-Trimethylpyridinium dihydrogen phosphate

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; T = 298 K; mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.005 Å; R factor = 0.047; wR factor = 0.144; data-to-parameter ratio = 14.3.

In the title compound,  $C_8H_9N^+ \cdot H_2PO_4^-$ , both the cation and anion have crystallographically imposed mirror symmetry (all atoms apart from one O atom lie on the mirror plane). In the crystal, anions and cations are linked by  $O-H\cdots O$  and  $\pi-\pi$ stacking interactions [centroid–centroid distance = 3.4574 (6) Å], forming chains parallel to the *b* axis. Adjacent chains are further connected by  $N-H\cdots O$  hydrogen bonds into a two-dimensional network.

#### **Related literature**

For background to the properties of pyridine salts as phase-transition dielectric materials, see: Fu *et al.* (2007, 2008, 2009); Fu & Xiong (2008).



#### **Experimental**

Crystal data  $C_8H_9N^+ \cdot H_2O_4P^-$ 

 $M_r = 216.15$ 

Monoclinic, $P2_1/m$	
a = 8.6323 (17)  Å	
b = 6.7133 (13)  Å	
c = 8.6841 (17)  Å	
$\beta = 100.99 \ (3)^{\circ}$	
$V = 494.02 (17) \text{ Å}^3$	

## Data collection

Rigaku Mercury2 diffractometer	5154 measu
Absorption correction: multi-scan	1229 indepe
(CrystalClear; Rigaku, 2005)	1082 reflect
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Refinement

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.047$   $wR(F^2) = 0.144$  S = 1.181229 reflections 86 parameters 1 restraint 5154 measured reflections 1229 independent reflections 1082 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

Z = 2

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation

 $0.30 \times 0.05 \times 0.05 \mbox{ mm}$ 

 $\mu = 0.27 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ 

T = 298 K

H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement  $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.45$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.29$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

## Table 1Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, $^{\circ}$ ).

$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	D-H	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
$02-H2\cdots O3^{i}$ N1-H1A···O1	0.85 (2)	1.76 (2)	2.6054 (19)	169 (2)
	0.86	1.75	2.602 (3)	173

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

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: *SHELXTL*.

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#### S1. Comment

Salts of pyridine have attracted attention as phase transition dielectric materials for their applications in memory storage (Fu *et al.* 2007; Fu & Xiong 2008; Fu *et al.* 2008; Fu *et al.* 2009). With the purpose of obtaining new phase transition crystals of 2,4,6-trimethylpyridine salts, their interaction with various acids has been studied and we have elaborated a series of new materials with this organic molecule. In this study, we describe the crystal structure of the title compound, 2,4,6-trimethylpyridinium dihydrogen phosphate.

The asymmetric unit is composed of half an  $H_2PO_4^-$  anion and half a  $C_8H_9N^+$  cation (Fig. 1), both anion and cation being located on a mirror plane. The geometric parameters are in the normal range. In the crystal structure, the anions are linked into chains parallel to the *b* axis by O—H···O hydrogen bonds (Table 1). The cations also are connected into chains along the *b* axis by  $\pi$ – $\pi$  stacking interactions with centroid-to-centroid distances of 3.4574 (6) Å. The cationic and anionic chains further interact through N—H···O hydrogen bonds (Fig. 2), forming a two-dimensional network.

#### **S2. Experimental**

The commercial 2,4,6-trimethylpyridine (3 mmol) was dissolved in water/ $H_3PO_4$  (50:1 v/v) solution. The solvent was slowly evaporated in air affording colourless block-shaped crystals of the title compound suitable for X-ray analysis.

The dielectric constant of title compound as a function of temperature indicates that the permittivity is basically temperature-independent, suggesting that this compound should be not a real ferroelectrics or there may be no distinct phase transition occurred within the measured temperature range. Similarly, below the melting point (413 K) of the compound, the dielectric constant as a function of temperature also goes smoothly, and there is no dielectric anomaly observed (dielectric constant equaling to 6.6 to 8.9).

#### S3. Refinement

All H atoms attached to C and N atoms were fixed geometrically and treated as riding with C–H = 0.93–0.96 Å, N–H = 0.86 Å, and with  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2 U_{eq}(C, N)$  or 1.5  $U_{eq}(C)$  for methyl H atoms. The H atom of the H<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> anion was located in difference Fourier maps and freely refined, with the O—H distance constrained to 0.86 Å.





A view of the title compound with the atomic numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids were drawn at the 30% probability level. Symmetry code: (A) x, 0.5-y, z.



#### Figure 2

The crystal packing of the title compound, showing the two-dimensional network. H atoms not involved in hydrogen bonding (dashed line) have been omitted for clarity.

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Crystal data

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#### Data collection

Rigaku Mercury2 diffractometer Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube Graphite monochromator Detector resolution: 13.6612 pixels mm<sup>-1</sup> CCD profile fitting scans F(000) = 226  $D_x = 1.453 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo K\alpha radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ Å}$ Cell parameters from 1229 reflections  $\theta = 3.1-27.5^{\circ}$   $\mu = 0.27 \text{ mm}^{-1}$  T = 298 KBlock, colorless  $0.30 \times 0.05 \times 0.05 \text{ mm}$ 

Absorption correction: multi-scan (*CrystalClear*; Rigaku, 2005)  $T_{min} = 0.910$ ,  $T_{max} = 1.000$ 5154 measured reflections 1229 independent reflections 1082 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$  $R_{int} = 0.033$ 

$\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.5^{\circ},  \theta_{\text{min}} = 3.1^{\circ}$	$k = -8 \rightarrow 8$
$h = -11 \rightarrow 11$	$l = -11 \rightarrow 11$
Refinement	
Refinement on $F^2$	Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier
Least-squares matrix: full	map
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.047$	Hydrogen site location: inferred from
$wR(F^2) = 0.144$	neighbouring sites
S = 1.18	H atoms treated by a mixture of independent
1229 reflections	and constrained refinement
86 parameters	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0788P)^2 + 0.1875P]$
1 restraint	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
Primary atom site location: structure-invariant	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$
direct methods	$\Delta  ho_{ m max} = 0.45 \ { m e} \ { m \AA}^{-3}$
	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.29 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

#### 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  $(\hat{A}^2)$ 

	x	У	Ζ	$U_{ m iso}$ */ $U_{ m eq}$	Occ. (<1)
N1	0.3386 (3)	0.2500	0.5841 (3)	0.0298 (5)	
H1A	0.2650	0.2500	0.6385	0.036*	
C3	0.5712 (4)	0.2500	0.4112 (4)	0.0382 (7)	
C2	0.4135 (4)	0.2500	0.3392 (4)	0.0378 (7)	
H2A	0.3862	0.2500	0.2303	0.045*	
C1	0.2974 (3)	0.2500	0.4270 (3)	0.0333 (6)	
C5	0.4890 (3)	0.2500	0.6600 (4)	0.0338 (6)	
C4	0.6066 (3)	0.2500	0.5731 (4)	0.0383 (7)	
H4A	0.7115	0.2500	0.6242	0.046*	
C7	0.6980 (5)	0.2500	0.3145 (5)	0.0548 (10)	
H7A	0.7986	0.2500	0.3845	0.082*	
H7B	0.6891	0.1332	0.2496	0.082*	0.50
C8	0.5179 (4)	0.2500	0.8351 (4)	0.0456 (8)	
H8A	0.6296	0.2500	0.8750	0.068*	
H8B	0.4717	0.3668	0.8715	0.068*	0.50
C6	0.1257 (4)	0.2500	0.3578 (4)	0.0505 (9)	
H6A	0.0675	0.2500	0.4417	0.076*	
H6B	0.0992	0.3668	0.2945	0.076*	0.50
P1	0.09606 (8)	0.2500	0.89656 (8)	0.0280 (3)	
01	0.0994 (3)	0.2500	0.7269 (3)	0.0515 (7)	
O2	0.19545 (18)	0.0720 (3)	0.9782 (2)	0.0494 (5)	
O3	-0.0654 (2)	0.2500	0.9371 (2)	0.0343 (5)	

## supporting information

H2	0.145 (3)	-0.024	4 (3)	1.010 (3)	0.066 (9)*			
Atomic	Atomic displacement parameters $(Å^2)$							
	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$		
N1	0.0261 (11)	0.0273 (11)	0.0368 (12	) 0.000	0.0079 (9)	0.000		
C3	0.0383 (16)	0.0230 (13)	0.0587 (19	) 0.000	0.0226 (14)	0.000		
C2	0.0431 (17)	0.0325 (15)	0.0408 (16	) 0.000	0.0156 (13)	0.000		
C1	0.0325 (14)	0.0303 (14)	0.0375 (15	) 0.000	0.0078 (12)	0.000		
C5	0.0289 (14)	0.0270 (13)	0.0446 (16	) 0.000	0.0044 (12)	0.000		
C4	0.0256 (13)	0.0288 (14)	0.0609 (19	) 0.000	0.0091 (13)	0.000		
C7	0.0469 (19)	0.0458 (19)	0.082 (3)	0.000	0.0385 (19)	0.000		
C8	0.0344 (16)	0.056 (2)	0.0419 (17	) 0.000	-0.0032 (13)	0.000		
C6	0.0344 (16)	0.080 (3)	0.0366 (16	) 0.000	0.0040 (13)	0.000		
P1	0.0243 (4)	0.0276 (4)	0.0340 (4)	0.000	0.0102 (3)	0.000		
01	0.0383 (12)	0.0835 (19)	0.0353 (12	) 0.000	0.0131 (9)	0.000		
02	0.0297 (8)	0.0390 (9)	0.0826 (13	) 0.0050 (7)	0.0181 (8)	0.0211 (8)		
03	0.0267 (10)	0.0300 (10)	0.0493 (12	) 0.000	0.0152 (9)	0.000		

## Geometric parameters (Å, °)

N1—C5	1.339 (4)	С7—Н7А	0.9601
N1-C1	1.343 (4)	С7—Н7В	0.9600
N1—H1A	0.8600	C8—H8A	0.9600
C3—C4	1.381 (5)	C8—H8B	0.9600
C3—C2	1.385 (5)	C6—H6A	0.9600
С3—С7	1.501 (4)	C6—H6B	0.9600
C2—C1	1.371 (4)	P1—O1	1.479 (2)
C2—H2A	0.9300	P1—O3	1.502 (2)
C1—C6	1.489 (4)	P1—O2 <sup>i</sup>	1.5603 (17)
C5—C4	1.376 (4)	P1—O2	1.5603 (16)
C5—C8	1.493 (4)	O2—H2	0.85 (2)
C4—H4A	0.9300		
C5—N1—C1	123.0 (3)	C3—C4—H4A	119.5
C5—N1—H1A	118.5	С3—С7—Н7А	108.3
C1—N1—H1A	118.5	С3—С7—Н7В	110.1
C4—C3—C2	117.9 (3)	H7A—C7—H7B	109.5
C4—C3—C7	121.7 (3)	C5—C8—H8A	109.2
C2—C3—C7	120.4 (3)	C5—C8—H8B	109.6
C1—C2—C3	120.6 (3)	H8A—C8—H8B	109.5
C1—C2—H2A	119.7	C1—C6—H6A	108.5
C3—C2—H2A	119.7	C1—C6—H6B	109.9
N1-C1-C2	119.0 (3)	H6A—C6—H6B	109.5
N1-C1-C6	117.4 (3)	O1—P1—O3	115.41 (13)
C2-C1-C6	123.5 (3)	$O1$ — $P1$ — $O2^i$	109.81 (9)
N1-C5-C4	118.5 (3)	$O3$ — $P1$ — $O2^i$	110.37 (8)
N1—C5—C8	117.4 (3)	O1—P1—O2	109.81 (9)

## supporting information

C4—C5—C8	124.1 (3)	O3—P1—O2	110.37 (8)
C5—C4—C3	121.1 (3)	O2 <sup>i</sup> —P1—O2	99.97 (14)
С5—С4—Н4А	119.5	P1—O2—H2	117 (2)

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

## Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

D—H···A	<i>D</i> —Н	H···A	D····A	<i>D</i> —H··· <i>A</i>
O2—H2…O3 <sup>ii</sup>	0.85 (2)	1.76 (2)	2.6054 (19)	169 (2)
N1—H1A…O1	0.86	1.75	2.602 (3)	173

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