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#### Stabilization of caesium ions by simple organic molecules: crystal structures of Cs(OXL) (OXL = oxalurate anion), and CsOH/cyanuric acid co-crystal Cs<sub>3</sub>(CYH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>(OH)<sub>3</sub> (CYH<sub>3</sub> = cyanuric acid)

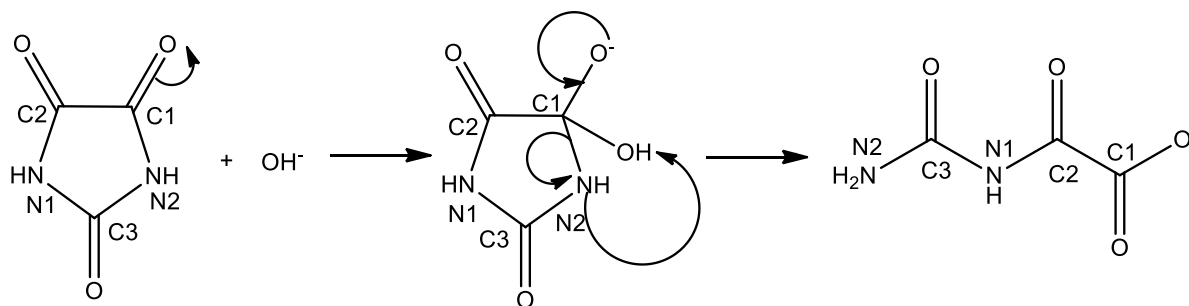
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**Scheme S1.** The parabanic acid undergoes the basic hydrolysis of the imide bond, the attack of  $\text{OH}^-$  occurs either on C4 or C5 as they are more positive than C2 because they are bound together. Consequently, the break of the carbon-nitrogen bond will occur between the atoms N3-C4 or N1-C5 leading to the oxalurate anion formation.<sup>1</sup>

**Table S1.** Crystallographic data and structure refinement details

Compound	CsOXL(1)	Cs <sub>3</sub> (CYH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> (OH) <sub>3</sub> (2)
Formula	C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>3</sub> CsN <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>4</sub> HCsN <sub>3</sub> O <sub>5</sub>
Crystal system	triclinic	triclinic
Space group	<i>P</i> -1 (no. 2)	<i>P</i> -1 (no. 2)
<i>M.W.</i>	263.98	966.09
<i>a</i> / Å	7.8313(4)	10.506(1)
<i>b</i> / Å	8.4529(4)	10.536(1)
<i>c</i> / Å	10.3855(5)	13.657(2)
$\alpha$ / °	71.08(1)	98.13(2)
$\beta$ / °	83.49(1)	103.99(2)
$\gamma$ / °	81.22(1)	111.54(2)
<i>V</i> / Å <sup>3</sup>	641.22(5)	1319.5(3)
<i>Z</i>	4	2
<i>D<sub>c</sub></i> / g/cm <sup>-3</sup>	2.734	2.432
$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	5.730	4.215
Measured reflections	8153	13917
Unique reflections, <i>R</i> <sub>int</sub>	3188, 0.030	7891, 0.054
Observed reflections [ <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> )]	2503	5787
Absorption correction	SADABS	SADABS
<i>T</i> <sub>min</sub> , <i>T</i> <sub>max</sub>	0.554, 1.000	0.583, 1.000
<i>R</i>	0.0299	0.087
<i>wR2</i> [all data]	0.0750	0.267
<i>GOF</i>	0.959	1.069

$R = \frac{\sum ||F_o| - |F_c||}{\sum |F_o|}$ ;  $wR2 = \left\{ \frac{\sum [w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2]}{\sum [w(F_o^2)^2]} \right\}^{1/2}$ ;  
 $GOF = \left\{ \frac{\sum [w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)]}{(n-p)} \right\}^{1/2}$  where *n* is the number of reflections and *p* is the number of refined parameters.

**Table S2.** Cs(OXL) (1) - Selected interatomic distances (Å) and angles (deg.)

Cs1-O1	3.007(3)	Cs2-O1	3.232(4)
Cs1-O2a	3.180(4)	Cs2-O3b	3.112(3)
Cs1-O3	3.229(3)	Cs2-O4c	3.601(4)
Cs1-O3b	3.228(4)	Cs2-O4b	3.221(3)
Cs1-O4c	3.285(3)	Cs2-O5	2.975(3)
Cs1-O4b	3.306(4)	Cs2-O5e	3.334(4)
Cs1-O6d	3.184(4)	Cs2-O6e	3.433(4)
Cs1-O7b	3.036(3)	Cs2-O7	3.183(3)
Cs1-O8b	3.068(3)	Cs2-O8c	3.150(3)
O1-C1	1.241(5)	O5-C4	1.234(6)
O2-C1	1.255(5)	O6-C4	1.258(5)
O3-C2	1.219(5)	O7-C5	1.218(5)
O4-C3	1.226(5)	O8-C6	1.223(5)
N1-C2	1.356(6)	N3-C5	1.369(6)
N1-C3	1.403(6)	N3-C6	1.420(6)
N2-C3	1.328(6)	N4-C6	1.327(6)
C1-C2	1.556(6)	C4-C5	1.567(6)

**Hydrogen bonds**

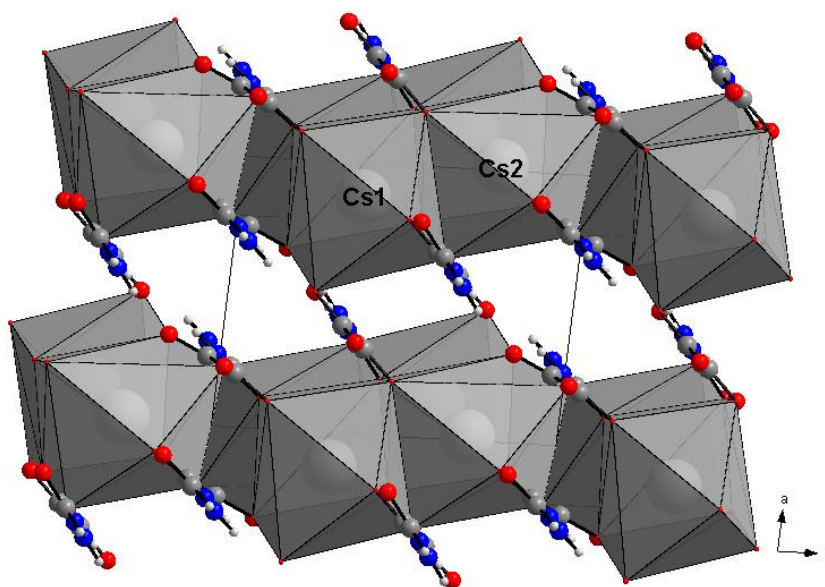
N1···O2	2.648(5)	N1-H1···O2	101.1(3)
N3···O6	2.650(5)	N3-H3···O6	108.2(3)
N2···O6f	2.902(5)	N2-H2B···O6f	156.1(3)
N1···O6f	2.972(5)	N1-H1···O6f	155.6(3)
N3···O2f	2.895(6)	N3-H3···O2f	153.4(3)
N4···O2f	2.875(5)	N4-H4B···O2f	153.0(3)
N4-O5g	2.849(6)	N4-H4A···O5g	171.7(3)
N2-O1g	2.878(6)	N2-H2A···O1g	170.9(3)

Symmetry codes: a = 1- x, 1-y, 1-z; b = -x, 1-y, 1-z; c = x, 1+y, z; d = x, y, z+1; e = -x, 2-y, -z; f = 1-x, 1-y, -z; g = x, y-1, z.

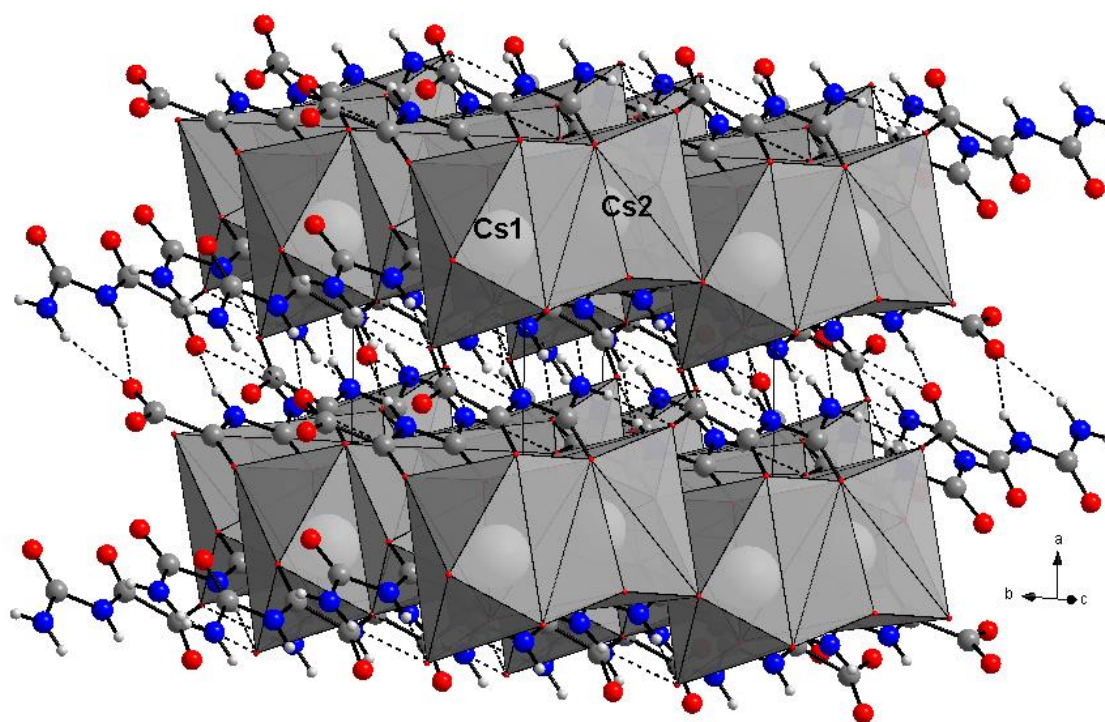
**TABLE S3.** Cs<sub>3</sub>(CYH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>(OH)<sub>3</sub> (**2**) - Selected interatomic distances (Å) and angles (deg.)

Cs1-O1	3.095(9)	Cs2-O1	3.404(11)
Cs1-O2e	3.169(10)	Cs2-O2h	3.114(8)
Cs1-O9f	3.583(11)	Cs2-O3c	3.007(9)
Cs1-O11a	3.271(11)	Cs2-O5h	3.478(12)
Cs1-O11g	3.307(13)	Cs2-O8g	3.651(12)
Cs1-O12f	3.166(9)	Cs2-O10i	3.072(8)
Cs1-OH1	3.295(15)	Cs2-O11g	3.156(10)
Cs1-OH2	3.149(13)	Cs2-OH2j	3.648(14)
Cs1-O4	3.823(13)	Cs2-OH3	3.281(12)
Cs3-O4	3.297(11)	Cs3-O9d	3.580(11)
Cs3-O5a	3.332(10)	Cs3-OH1	3.448(15)
Cs3-O6d	3.192(9)	Cs3-OH1d	3.336(14)
Cs3-O7	3.209(9)	Cs3-OH2	3.161(14)
Cs3-O8e	3.333(10)	Cs3-OH3e	3.653(17)
C1-O1	1.248(13)	C4-O4	1.234(13)
C1-N1	1.391(15)	C4-N4	1.408(15)
C1-N3	1.340(14)	C4-N6	1.356(15)
C2-O2	1.251(15)	C5-O5	1.219(15)
C2-N1	1.384(14)	C5-N4	1.348(13)
C2-N2	1.368(14)	C5-N5	1.367(14)
C3-O3	1.250(14)	C6-O6	1.231(14)
C3-N2	1.386(15)	C6-N5	1.415(15)
C3-N3	1.357(13)	C6-N6	1.341(15)
C7-O7	1.224(13)	C10-O10	1.237(13)
C7-N7	1.369(15)	C10-N10	1.411(14)
C7-N9	1.380(14)	C10-N12	1.365(14)
C8-O8	1.234(16)	C11-O11	1.236(15)
C8-N7	1.391(15)	C11-N10	1.375(13)
C8-N8	1.369(15)	C11-N11	1.361(14)
C9-O9	1.232(14)	C12-O12	1.251(13)
C9-N8	1.361(15)	C12-N11	1.384(14)
C9-N9	1.365(13)	C12-N12	1.355(13)
<b>Hydrogen bonds</b>			
N4···O7a	2.765(14)	N4-H4···O7a	173(1)
N1···O10a	2.841(13)	N1-H1···O10a	179(1)
N7···O4a	2.838(14)	N7-H7···O4a	174(1)
N10···O1a	2.867(14)	N10-H10···O1a	175(1)
N5-O9b	2.906(15)	N5-H5···O9b	173(1)
N8···O6b	2.751(15)	N8-H8···O6b	177(1)
N2-O12b	2.846(15)	N2-H2···O12b	170(1)
N11-O3b	2.808(15)	N11-H11···O3b	177(1)
N3···OH3c	2.875(21)	N3-H3···OH3c	132(1)
N9-OH1d	2.671(22)	N9-H9···OH1d	157(1)
N12-OH3e	2.793(21)	N12-H12···OH3e	161(1)

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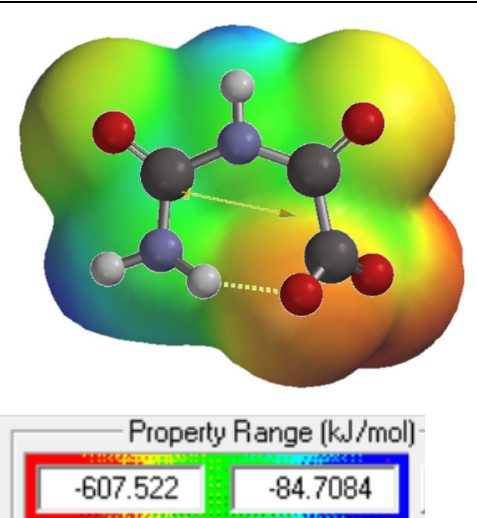


**Figure S1.** Perspective view of the Cs(OXL) (1) structure showing the alignment of the ribbons made by the oxalurate anions along [010].

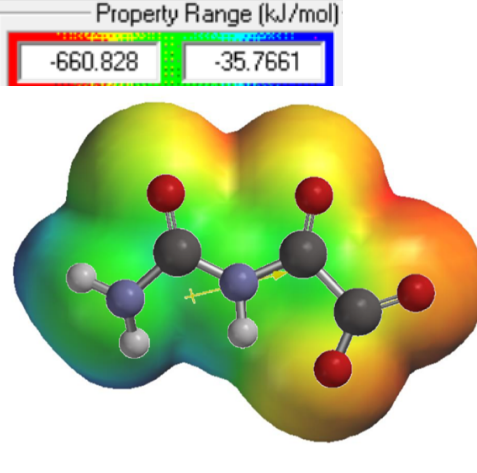


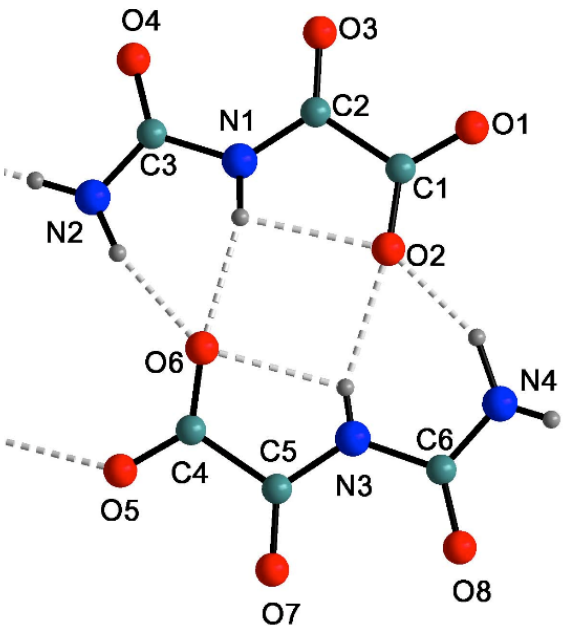
**Figure S2.** Perspective view of the Cs(OXL) (1) structure showing the hydrogen bonds between the layers.

**Table S4.** Electrostatic potential surface (left), and atoms electrostatic charge (right) of OXL anion, bent form.

	Charge (e)			
	Atom	Mulliken	Electrostatic	Natural
	O1	-0.579	-0.598	-0.685
	O2	-0.639	-0.671	-0.799
	O3	-0.453	-0.479	-0.541
	O4	-0.516	-0.587	-0.645
	N1	-0.501	-0.684	-0.745
	N2	-0.615	-0.899	-0.916
	C1	0.514	0.483	0.675
	C2	0.412	0.543	0.590
	C3	0.591	0.844	0.810
	H2 (N2)	0.237	0.343	0.394
	H3 (N2)	0.289	0.372	0.436
	H4 (N1)	0.262	0.334	0.425

**Table S5.** Electrostatic potential surface (left), and atoms electrostatic charge (right) of OXL anion, planar form.

	Charge (e)			
	Atom	Mulliken	Electrostatic	Natural
	O1	-0.678	-0.721	-0.806
	O2	-0.774	-0.779	-0.897
	O3	-0.554	-0.588	-0.661
	O4	-0.611	-0.640	-0.739
	N1	-0.810	-0.687	-0.828
	N2	-0.765	-1.007	-0.957
	C1	0.716	0.698	0.881
	C2	0.599	0.592	0.728
	C3	0.951	0.974	1.004
	H2 (N2)	0.292	0.385	0.409
	H3 (N2)	0.288	0.389	0.401
	H4 (N1)	0.347	0.353	0.464

**Table S6.** Atom numbering (left), and atoms electrostatic charge (right) of di-OXL anion.

Atom	Charge (e)		
	Mulliken	Electrostatic	Natural
O1	-0.683	-0.737	-0.810
O2	-0.782	-0.833	-0.920
O3	-0.578	-0.586	-0.683
O4	-0.654	-0.694	-0.779
O5	-0.683	-0.737	-0.810
O6	-0.782	-0.832	-0.920
O7	-0.578	-0.586	-0.683
O8	-0.654	-0.693	-0.779
N1	-0.826	-0.668	-0.817
N2	-0.805	-1.095	-0.968
N3	-0.826	-0.668	-0.817
N4	-0.805	-1.094	-0.968
C1	0.717	0.733	0.892
C2	0.617	0.596	0.732
C3	0.948	1.004	1.002
C4	0.717	0.733	0.895
C5	0.617	0.596	0.732
C6	0.948	1.003	1.002
H1 (N2)	0.272	0.393	0.397
H2 (N4)	0.272	0.392	0.397
H3 (N4-O2)	0.383	0.507	0.469
H4 (N3)	0.391	0.378	0.480
H5 (N2)	0.383	0.507	0.469
H6 (N1)	0.391	0.378	0.480

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