# Ternary and quaternary cocrystals of 2,7-dihydroxy naphthalene: Systematic Design with an unusual large modular synthon

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# S1. Crystallization details:

## A. Materials

2, 7-dihydroxynaphthalene, 2,3,5,6-tetramethyl pyrazine, acridine, quinoxaline and phenazine were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich. Pyrene was purchased from TCI. Phenanthrene was purchased from AVRA chemicals and 1,10-phenanthroline was purchased from SRL. All the chemicals were used without further purification. Crystallization and grinding solvents were purchased from SRL and used as received.

# B. Crystallization protocol

*(i) Synthesis of cocrystal 1:* 2, 7-dihydroxynaphthalene, 2,3,5,6-tetramethyl pyrazine, and phenazine were taken in 1:1:1 ratio and ground with 3-4 drops of ethanol for 15 minutes using mortar and pestle and dissolved in tetrahydrofuran (THF) and kept for slow evaporation. After 1-2 days it forms brown block-shaped good diffraction quality crystals.

*(ii) Synthesis of cocrystal 2:* 2, 7-dihydroxynaphthalene, 2,3,5,6-tetramethyl pyrazine, and phenanthrene were taken in 1:1:1 ratio in mortar and ground with 3-4 drops of ethanol and the process was repeated for 3 times. Then the mixture was dissolved in acetonitrile and kept for slow evaporation. After 2-3 days, we got good-quality colourless block-shaped crystals from acetonitrile which was subsequently used for data collection.

*(iii) Synthesis of cocrystal 3:* The three compounds, 2, 7-dihydroxynaphthalene, 2,3,5,6-tetramethyl pyrazine, and acridine, were taken together in a 1:1:1 ratio and ground with 3-4 drops of ethanol for 3-4 times. The ground mixture was dissolved in tetrahydrofuran (THF). Pale yellow needle-shaped crystals were obtained from tetrahydrofuran after 1-2 days.

*(iv) Synthesis of cocrystal 4:* All the three compounds namely 2, 7-dihydroxynaphthalene, 2,3,5,6-tetramethyl pyrazine, and acridine were taken together in a 1:1:1 ratio and ground with 3-4 drops of ethanol for 3-4 times. The ground mixture was dissolved in nitromethane and colorless block-shaped crystals of 1 were obtained after 3-4 days.

(v) Synthesis of cocrystal 5: 2, 7-dihydroxynaphthalene, 2,3,5,6-tetramethyl pyrazine, and acridine, were taken together in a 1:1:1 ratio and ground with 3-4 drops of ethanol for 3-4 times, dissolved in dioxane and kept for slow evaporation. After 3-4 days colorless block-shaped crystals were obtained.

(vi) Synthesis of cocrystal 6: 2, 7-dihydroxynaphthalene, 2,3,5,6-tetramethyl pyrazine, and pyrene were taken in 1:1:1 ratio and ground with ethanol with 3-4 drops for 12-15 minutes and crystalized the mixture from ethanol. These form colorless plate-shaped hydrated co-crystals after 2- 3 days.

(vii) Synthesis of cocrystal 7: 2, 7-dihydroxynaphthalene, 2,3,5,6-tetramethyl pyrazine, and 1,10-phenanthroline were taken in a 1:1:1 ratio in mortar and ground with 3-4 drops of ethanol and the process was repeated for 3 times. Then the mixture was dissolved in different solvents and kept for slow evaporation. Depending on the solvents after 2-3 days we got colorless block-shaped crystals, from almost all solvents we have used, data were collected using the very good quality crystals formed from nitromethane.

(*viii*) Synthesis of cocrystal 8: 2, 7-dihydroxynaphthalene, 2,3,5,6-tetramethyl pyrazine, and Quinoxaline were taken in 1:1:1 ratio and ground with 3-4 drops of ethanol for 15 minutes using mortar and pestle and dissolved in nitromethane and kept for slow evaporation. After 3-4 days it forms brown block-shaped good diffraction quality crystals.

*(ix) Synthesis of cocrystal 9:* 2, 7-dihydroxynaphthalene, 2,3,5,6-tetramethyl pyrazine, acridine, and pyrene were taken in 1:1:1:1 ratio in a mortar and ground with the pestle with 3-4 drops of ethanol and dissolved in different solvents. And got similar morphological crystals from tetrahydrofuran and nitromethane respectively after 1-2 days and 3-4 days.

(x) Synthesis of cocrystal 10: 2, 7-dihydroxynaphthalene, 2,3,5,6-tetramethyl pyrazine Quinoxaline, and pyrene were taken in a 1:1:1:1 ratio and ground with ethanol for 20-25 minutes and dissolved in different solvents. The dissolved solutions were kept for slow evaporation, after 3-4 days colorless block-shaped crystal forms from nitromethane solvent and mounted for single crystal data collection.

structure	interaction	D-H	H…A (Å)	DA (Å)	<(DHA) (deg)
1	O1-H1N2	0.94(2)	1.88(2)	2.8133(13)	173.8(17)
2	01-H1N3	0.91(3)	1.88(3)	2.772(2)	170(3)
	02-H2N4	1.03(4)	1.78(4)	2.789(2)	175(3)
3	01-H1N4	0.968(18)	1.801(18)	2.7654(11)	174.3 (15)
4	O1-H1N5	1.02(4)	1.73(4)	2.751(2)	172(3)
	O2-H2N7	0.99(3)	1.73(3)	2.7193(19)	176(3)
	O2-H2N7	0.90(3)	1.94(3)	2.768(2)	151.5
	O4-H4N8	0.93(3)	1.89(3)	2.783(2)	161(3)
5	O3-H3N12	0.90(2)	1.86(2)	2.7465(15)	169.5(19)
	O1-H1N9	0.91(3)	1.86(3)	2.7619(16)	170(2)
	O4-H4N13	0.92(3)	1.86(3)	2.7554(16)	174(2)

# S2.Hydrogen bonding table

	O2-H2N10	0.92(2)	1.84(2)	2.7692(16)	173(2)
6	O2-H2N8	0.949(18)	1.790(19)	2.7377(12)	176.9(16)
	O4-H4O5	0.96(2)	1.72(2)	2.6707(12)	175.9(17)
	O5-H5AO2	0.905(19)	1.958(19)	2.8504(12)	168.2(17)
	O5-H5BO4	0.91(2)	1.91(2)	2.8204(12)	174.5(17)
	O3-H3N9	0.916(19)	1.852(19)	2.7591(12)	170.1(16)
	O1-H1N6	0.952(19)	1.857(19)	2.7895(12)	165.9(16)
7	O2-H2N7	0.95(2)	1.74(2)	2.6795(14)	171(2)
	O2-H2N7	0.97(2)	1.82(2)	2.7878(16)	175(2)
	O3-H3O2	0.93(2)	1.75(2)	2.6734(14)	171(2)
8	01-H1N5	0.95(2)	1.81(2)	2.7537(16)	171(2)
	O2-H2N7	0.92(2)	1.76(2)	2.6809 (14)	173(19)
	O3-H3O2	0.86(2)	1.85(2)	2.7004(14)	170(2)
	O4-H4N10	0.97(2)	1.81(2)	2.7754 (16)	174(2)
9	01-H1N3	0.88(3)	1.86(3)	2.7319(17)	169(2)
	O1-H1N3	0.83(3)	1.91(3)	2.7368(19)	165(2)
10	01-H1N9	0.81(5)	2.02(5)	2.823(4)	172(5)
	O2-H2N11	1.06(6)	1.74(6)	2.792(4)	174(5)
	O3-H3N13	0.84	1.94	2.771(4)	171.1
	O4-H4N15	0.89(5)	1.95(5)	2.829(4)	171(4)
	O5-H5N18	0.79(5)	2.03(5)	2.823(4)	173(4)
	O6-H6N19	1.04(6)	1.78(6)	2.796(4)	164(5)
	O7-H7N21	1.01(7)	1.79(7)	2.788(4)	172(6)
	O8-H8N23	0.94(5)	1.89(5)	2.820(4)	172(4)

# **S3. ORTEP Diagrams:**

ORTEP diagrams are created using Mercury version 4.2.0 with probability level 50%.



















#### S4. Electrostatic potential energy surface-based charges (ESP) calculation

Electrostatic surface potential (ESP) maps were calculated for different pyridine bases by DFT in Gaussian 09<sup>2</sup> software, using B3LYP, 6-311g (d,p) basis set. ESP maps are obtained for molecular electron density 0.0004 electron/Å. Colour codes denote the locations of positive charge (green) and negative charge (red) surfaces.

	ACR		ТМР		PHN		QUIN	1	PHENAN
C1	-0.051610	C1	0.251058	C1	0.014181	C1	0.222697	C1	-0.196845
C2	0.017172	C2	0.251086	C2	-0.127500	C2	0.362326	C2	0.126227
C3	-0.221069	C3	0.251087	C3	0.428324	C3	0.362335	C3	-0.063096
C4	0.750255	C4	0.251058	C4	0.428320	C4	0.222696	C4	0.342831
C5	-0.214570	N5	0.504962	C5	-0.127496	C7	-0.116125	C5	0.399956
C6	0.077433	N6	0.504962	C6	0.014179	<b>C8</b>	-0.116137	C6	-0.043136
<b>C7</b>	0.097038	C7	0.001404	C7	0.392831	C10	0.029098	<b>C7</b>	0.342830
<b>C8</b>	0.731978	<b>C8</b>	0.001404	<b>C8</b>	0.392834	C11	0.029089	<b>C8</b>	-0.063095
<b>C9</b>	-0.222490	<b>C9</b>	0.001414	<b>C9</b>	-0.098174	N15	0.497992	<b>C9</b>	-0.043137
C10	0.020392	C10	0.001414	C11	0.006051	N16	0.497988	C10	0.126227
C12	-0.050465			C12	0.006050			C12	-0.196845
C13	0.073481			C13	-0.098170			C13	0.399957
C14	-0.203426			N21	-0.615714			C21	-0.565937

ESP charges with hydrogens summed into heavy atoms:

N23	-0.804118	 	N22	-0.615716	 	N22	-0.565937









(c)

(d)



**Figure S1.** ESP values of different pyridine bases: (a) ACR, (b) TMP, (c) PHN, (d) QUIN, (e) PHENAN.

# **S5. Powder X-Ray Diffraction (PXRD) characterization**

The analysis of PXRD of the cocrystal **1** and **2** reveals the cocrystal phase is the major phase in the bulk sample. Cocrystals **3** and **4** were obtained together in the bulk mixture through grinding procedure and is represented by PXRD **Cocrystal 3&4**. The PXRD of Cocrystal **3** was obtained after the ground mixture was crystallized from THF and was checked for PXRD, however slight impurity of cocrystal **4** was still present, indicating towards close energetic relationship between cocrystal **3** and **4**. The PXRD for cocrystal **4** was obtained while the ground mixture was crystallized from nitromethane. Cocrystal **5** was crystallized from the 1,4-dioxane and used for PXRD after grinding thoroughly. Cocrystals **6**, **7** and **9** could be obtained in the bulk. Cocrystals **8** and **10** could also be obtained in the bulk, with excess coformers (QUIN). The PXRD diffractograms are given below:





Cocrystal-2:









Cocrystal-3 &4:









Cocrystal-6:



Cocrystal-7:



Cocrystal-8:







#### Cocrystal-10:



# **S6. FT-IR characterization**

The powder mixtures which were used for PXRD analysis, were employed for FTIR characterization as well. Representatives peaks (e.g. a broad peak near 2500-2600 cm<sup>-1</sup> for  $O-H\cdots N$ ) could be observed as shown in the FTIR spectra given below.







# Cocrystal-3&4

















Cocrystal-6











Cocrystal-8





Cocrystal 9





# Cocrystal 10



# S7. Melting point of the cocrystals:

Melting points were checked using the same ground mixtures which were used for PXRD, FTIR and TGA analysis.

Sl. No.	Compound name	Melting point(°C)
1	Cocrystal-1:	195
2	Cocrystal-2:	137
3	Cocrystal-3:*	152
4	Cocrystal-4:	127
5	Cocrystal-5:	151
6	Cocrystal-6:	126
7	Cocrystal-7:	146
8	Cocrystal-8:*	112
9	Cocrystal-9:	128
10	Cocrystal-10:*	101

\* Cocrystal **3** could not be obtained as a pure phase even after crystallization from THF. Slight impurity of cocrystal **4** was present in the sample tested for melting point. Cocrystal **8** and **10** contains excess of quinoxaline.

# S8. Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) of Cocrystals:

The weight loss patterns are shown for all the ground mixtures. For cocrystals **3** and **4**, crystallized samples from THF and nitromethane were used. In cocrystal **3**, small amount of cocrystal **4** may be present. In cocrystal **8** and **10**, some of the residual coformers may be present. In the case of cocrystal **5**, first weight loss may happen due to the removal of 1,4-dioxane. The event started near 110°C and completed at 163°C, the weight loss percentage calculated from graph is 28.19%, which is close to the theoretical weight loss of 28.41%.

Cocrystal-1 Cocrystal-2
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