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# Preparation, structural and thermal studies of boroxine adducts having aryl boronic acids and pyrazoles 

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Four new boroxine adducts ( $\left(\mathrm{B}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{3}(\mathrm{Ph})_{3} \mathrm{PzH}\right)(1),\left(\mathrm{B}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{3}(\mathrm{Ph})_{3}\left({ }^{\mathrm{PzzEBu}, \mathrm{Pr}} \mathrm{H}\right)_{2}\right)(2),\left(\mathrm{B}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{3}\left(\mathrm{PhF}_{2}\right)_{3} \mathrm{PzH}\right)$. PzH (3) and $\left(\mathrm{B}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{3}\left(\mathrm{PhF}_{2}\right)_{3}\left(\mathrm{Pz}^{\mathrm{tBu}, \mathrm{Pr}} \mathrm{H}\right)_{2}\right)$ (4)) using phenylboronic acid, 3,5-difluorophenylboronic acid, $\mathbf{1 H}$-pyrazole ( PzH ) and 3-tert-butyl-5-isopropyl pyrazole $\left(\mathrm{Pz}^{\mathrm{tBu}, \mathrm{Pr}} \mathrm{H}\right)$ were prepared and characterized by elemental analysis, IR, ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$-NMR and X-ray diffraction. The crystallographic study reveals that PzH and $\mathrm{Pz}^{\text {tBu }}$, ${ }^{\mathrm{Pr}} \mathrm{H}$ are bonded to boroxine molecule through B-N dative bond. It also demonstrates the different type of hydrogen bond interactions between adjacent molecules. The thermal stability of these adducts was investigated by TGA.

Key words: Boroxine, crystal structures, hydrogen bonding, thermal study.

## INTRODUCTION

Because of importance in different synthetic reactions and significant applications in diverse areas, boronic acids are of great interest (Phillips and James, 2004;

Davis and James, 2005; James, 2005; Striegler, 2003; Elfeky et al., 2010; Wimmer et al., 2009; Li et al., 2008). In recent years, boronic acids have also been used as

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Scheme 1. General method for the synthesis of 1-4.
exclusive building blocks in supramolecular chemistry (Fujita et al., 2008; Nishiyabu et al., 2011; Fossey and James, 2011). Boronic acids have $-\mathrm{B}(\mathrm{OH})_{2}$ group, and form the six-membered cyclic ring by simple dehydration of boronic acid. It is well established that boron in a cyclic ring ( $\mathrm{R}_{3} \mathrm{~B}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{3}, \mathrm{R}=$ alkyl or aryl group) acts as a lewis acid and has a tendency to accept the lone pair of electrons from the N -donor ligands (lewis base), and involved in the formation of the B-N dative bond in adducts (Icli et al., 2011; Höpfi, 1999; Sheepwash et al., 2011, 2013; Jorge et al., 2012). N -donor ligands easily form 1:1 adducts with arylboronic acids even under mild reaction conditions, and thermodynamically favored over $1: 2$ or 1:3 adducts due to relief in boroxine ring strain. Adducts performing 1:2 and 1:3 boroxine-N-donor ligands stoichiometry are very limited (Beckett et al., 1995; Höpfi, 1999; Kua and lovine, 2005; Domingo et al., 2008; Saha et al., 2013; Jorge et al., 2016). In 1958, Synder et al. synthesized an adduct by using triphenylboroxine and pyridine by simple warming in anhydrous solvent (Snyder et al., 1958). In 2005, Cote et al. investigated highly stable and porous boronic acid derived covalent organic frameworks with large surface area (Cote et al., 2005). A large number of boroxine adducts with N -containing compounds have been studied due to wide commercial uses in various field like flame retardant materials, dopants, in SuzukiMiyaura coupling reactions, non-linear optical materials, biosensors, covalent organic frameworks etc. (Bhat et al., 2011; lovine et al., 2008; Morgan et al., 2000; Mehta and Fujinami, 1997; Yang et al., 2002; Miyaura and Suzuki, 1995; Cote et al., 2005; Türker et al., 2009), but the structural characterization and thermal study of boroxine adducts with pyrazoles are not reported till now. This paper presents the synthesis, structural, and thermal study of four new boroxine adducts. The main purpose is to see the effect of substitution in phenyl boronic acids
and pyrazoles ligands on the structure and crystal packing of these adducts.

## MATERIALS AND METHODS

All synthesis was performed in air, and solvents were used as received. Phenylboronic acid, 3,5-difluorophenylboronic acid, and 1H-pyrazole were purchased from Aldrich Chemical Co. 3-tert-butyl5 -isopropyl pyrazole was synthesized by previously reported method (Imai et al., 1998). Elemental analysis was carried out on PerkinElmer Elemental analyzer. IR and ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$-NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker ALPHA FT-IR and Bruker AM 400 MHz spectrometers, respectively. Thermal analysis was performed on PerkinElmer thermogravimetric analyzer.

## Synthesis of adducts 1-4

Adducts 1-4, were synthesized according to scheme 1.

## Synthesis of 1

A methanolic ( 10 ml ) solution of phenylboronic acid $(0.36 \mathrm{~g}, 3.00$ mmol ) and $\mathrm{PzH}(0.06 \mathrm{~g}, 1.00 \mathrm{mmol})$ was refluxed at $70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 4 h . Colorless crystals of 1 were obtained by the slow evaporation of solvent at room temperature in $0.24 \mathrm{~g}(62.5 \%)$ yield. Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{21} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3} \mathrm{~B}_{3}$ : C, 66.40; H, 5.04; N, 7.37. Found: C, 65.12; H, 4.99; N, 7.17. IR (KBr, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3381, 3196, 3012, 2889, 2626, 2317, 2029, 1921, 1814, 1709, 1627, 1461, 1235, 969, 699, 527. ${ }^{1}$ H-NMR (400 $\left.\mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}, p p m, 25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right): 6.21$ (t, 1H, CH, Pz), $7.57(\mathrm{~d}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}, \mathrm{Pz})$, 12.61 (s, br, 1H, NH, Pz), 8.03 (dd, 6H, Ph), 7.35 (m, 9H, Ph).

## Synthesis of 2

2 was obtained in $0.38 \mathrm{~g}(59 \%)$ yield by the same method as applied for 1 using Pz ${ }^{\text {tBu }}$, Pr H ( $0.17 \mathrm{~g}, 1.00 \mathrm{mmol}$ ). Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{38} \mathrm{H}_{51} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{3} \mathrm{~B}_{3}$ : C, 70.84; H, 7.97; N, 8.69. Found: C, 70.19; H, 7.91; N, 8.49. IR (KBr, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3418, 3143, 2956, 2865, 2247, 2139, 2069, 1971, 1829, 1786, 1609, 1573, 1437, 1296, 1049, 963, 827, 739,

Table 1. Crystal structures and refinement parameters for 1-4.

| Adducts | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CCDC | 1060378 | 1060379 | 1060376 | 1060377 |
| Molecular formula | $\mathrm{C}_{21} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3} \mathrm{~B}_{3}$ | $\mathrm{C}_{38} \mathrm{H}_{51} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{3} \mathrm{~B}_{3}$ | $\mathrm{C}_{24} \mathrm{H}_{17} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{3} \mathrm{~F}_{6} \mathrm{~B}_{3}$ | $\mathrm{C}_{38} \mathrm{H}_{45} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{3} \mathrm{~F}_{6} \mathrm{~B}_{3}$ |
| Mr | 379.81 | 644.26 | 555.85 | 752.21 |
| Crystal size ( $\mathrm{mm}^{3}$ ) | $0.31 \times 0.26 \times 0.19$ | $0.28 \times 0.23 \times 0.17$ | $0.23 \times 0.17 \times 0.11$ | $0.33 \times 0.26 \times 0.19$ |
| Crystal system | triclinic | monoclinic | triclinic | triclinic |
| Space group | P-1 | C 2/c | P-1 | P-1 |
| $a(A)$ | 10.392(4) | 19.887(18) | 7.6511(6) | 11.821(5) |
| $b(A)$ | 11.741(6) | 11.415(11) | 11.5133(8) | 13.078(5) |
| $c$ ( $\AA$ ) | 16.744(8) | 18.432(18) | 15.4005(11) | 14.193(6) |
| $\alpha$ (deg) | 84.17(3) | 90.00 | 78.922(4) | 84.43(2) |
| $\beta$ (deg) | 89.84(3) | 115.16(2) | 75.632(5) | 68.97(2) |
| $\gamma$ (deg) | 89.88(3) | 90.00 | 77.296 (4) | 77.50(2) |
| $V\left(\AA^{3}\right)$ | 2032.4(16) | 3787(6) | 1268.36(16) | 1999.1(15) |
| Z | 4 | 4 | 2 | 2 |
| $\rho$ calc ( $\mathrm{gcm}^{-3}$ ) | 1.241 | 1.130 | 1.455 | 1.250 |
| $\mu(\mathrm{Mo} \mathrm{Ka})\left(\mathrm{cm}^{-1}\right)$ | 0.081 | 0.070 | 0.125 | 0.097 |
| F(000) | 792 | 1384 | 564 | 788 |
| T(K) | 296 | 296 | 296 | 296 |
| Theta range for data collection ( ${ }^{\circ}$ ) | 1.74-28.36 | 3.56-26.00 | 1.38-25.00 | 1.54-25.00 |
| Range of indices | -13, 12; -15, 11; -22, 16 | -24, 24;-13, 14; -20, 13 | -9, 9; -13, 13; -16, 18 | -14, 12; -15, 14; -16, 10 |
| No. of reflections collected | 9692 | 2744 | 4442 | 6813 |
| Unique reflections | 2683 | 1737 | 2655 | 2132 |
| Data/restraints/parameters | 9692/0/523 | 2744/0/224 | 4442/0/362 | 6813/0/498 |
| Goodness-of-fit | 0.821 | 0.928 | 1.135 | 0.943 |
| Final R indices( $I>2(I) \quad \mathrm{a}_{1}$ | 0.065 | 0.065 | 0.061 | 0.118 |
| ${ }^{\text {b }}$ wR2 | 0.142 | 0.186 | 0.174 | 0.245 |

${ }^{\mathrm{a}} R_{1}=\Sigma\left\|\mathrm{F}_{0}\left|-\left|\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{c}} \| / \Sigma\right| \mathrm{F}_{0}\right|,{ }^{\mathrm{b}} \mathrm{w} R_{2}=\left\{\Sigma\left(\mathrm{w}\left(\mathrm{F}_{0}{ }^{2}-\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{c}}{ }^{2}\right)^{2}\right) / \Sigma \mathrm{w}\left(\mathrm{F}_{0}{ }^{2}\right)^{2}\right\}^{1 / 2}\right.$, where $w=1 /\left(\sigma^{2}\left(F_{0}^{2}\right)+(a P)^{2}+(b P)\right)$ and $P=\left(\max \left(0, F_{0}^{2}\right)+2 F_{c}^{2}\right) / 3$.

645,593 , 497. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}-\mathrm{NMR}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}, \mathrm{ppm}, 25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right.$ ): 6.51 (s, 2 H , $\mathrm{CH}, \mathrm{Pz}$ ), 4.49 (m, 2H, CH, Pz), 1.39 (d, 12H, CH,$~ P z), 1.54$ (s, $18 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}, \mathrm{Pz}$ ), 12.64 (s, br, 2H, NH, Pz), 8.03 (dd, 6H, Ph), 7.37 ( $\mathrm{m}, 9 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{Ph}$ ).

## Synthesis of 3

3 was prepared in 0.53 g (64\%) yield by using the method as outlined for 1 using 3,5 -difluorophenylboronic acid ( $0.48 \mathrm{~g}, 3.00$ mmol ) and $\mathrm{PzH}(0.06 \mathrm{~g}, 1.0 \mathrm{mmol})$. Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{24} \mathrm{H}_{17} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{3} \mathrm{~F}_{6} \mathrm{~B}_{3}$ : C, 51.86; H, 2.91; N, 10.08. Found: C, 50.91; H, 2.89; N, 9.97. IR $\left(\mathrm{KBr}, \mathrm{cm}^{-1}\right): 3467,3139,3089,2971,2849,2597,2257,2091$, 1969, 1781, 1624, 1579, 1446, 1223, 1321, 1199, 1163, 1077, 929, $829,644,547 .{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}-\mathrm{NMR}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}, p p m, 25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right): 6.27$ (t, 2H, $\mathrm{CH}, \mathrm{Pz}$ ), 7.64 (d, 4H, CH, Pz), 12.67 (s, br, 2H, NH, Pz), 8.04 (dd, $6 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{Ph}), 7.40(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{Ph})$.

## Synthesis of 4

4 was synthesized in 0.45 g ( $59.8 \%$ ) yield by the same method as described for 3 using Pz ${ }^{\text {tBu }}$, $\mathrm{Pr} \mathrm{H}(0.17 \mathrm{~g}, 1.00 \mathrm{mmol})$. Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{38} \mathrm{H}_{45} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{3} \mathrm{~F}_{6} \mathrm{~B}_{3}$ : C, 60.84; H, 5.77; $\mathrm{N}, 7.46$. Found: C, 60.13 ; H , $5.68 ; \mathrm{N}, 7.07$. IR (KBr, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3418, 3129, 3018, 2917, 2755, 2601,

2239, 2069, 1911, 1837, 1755, 1629, 1457, 1213, 913, 729, 653, 547, 499. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}-\mathrm{NMR}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}, p p m, 25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right): 6.53$ (s, $2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}$, Pz), 4.51 (m, 2H, CH, Pz), 1.42 (d, 12H, CH,$~ P z$ ), 1.57 (s, 18H, $\mathrm{CH}_{3}, \mathrm{Pz}$ ), 12.69 (s, br, 2H, NH, Pz), 8.07 (dd, 6H, Ph), 7.39 (m, 3H, Ph).

## X-ray diffraction analysis

All crystals were obtained from the slow evaporation of methanolic solutions, and mounted on glass capillaries. All data were collected on a Bruker Kappa four circle-CCD diffractometer with graphitemonochromated MoKa radiation, operated at 50 kV and 40 mA at $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Data were corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects (Sheldrick, 1996), and the SHELXTL program package was used for the structure solution and refinement (Sheldrick 1990, 2000). The hydrogen atoms were placed in geometrically calculated positions by using a riding model, and non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. Diamond and Mercury softwares were used for the formation of images and hydrogen bonding interactions (Brandenburg, 2000). 1, 3 and 4 are crystallized in triclinic system with $P-1$ space group, while 2 in monoclinic system with $C 2 / c$ space group. The crystallographic data, hydrogen bond distances, selected bond lengths and angles are shown in Tables 1, 2, Appendix S1 and S2, respectively.

Table 2. Selected H-Bond parameters for 1-4.

| Bond (symmetry) | $d_{\text {D-H }}(\AA)$ | $d_{H \cdots \mathrm{~A}}(\AA)$ | $d_{\text {D } \ldots \mathrm{A}}(\mathrm{A}$ ) | <DH... ${ }^{(0}$ ) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 |  |  |  |  |
| C8-H8 $\cdots$ - 5 | 0.931 | 3.153 (58) | 3.987 | 150.0 |
| C16-H16.. 55 | 0.930 | 3.058 (46) | 3.983 | 173.5 |
| C35-H35 $\cdots$ - 3 | 0.930 | 3.154 (58) | 3.988 | 150.1 |
| N2-H2A $\cdots$. | 0.861 | 3.021 (46) | 3.691 | 136.2 |
| N4-H4A $\cdots$ m | 0.861 | 2.646 (36) | 3.360 | 141.1 |
| C19-H19... | 0.930 | 2.572 (35) | 3.338 | 139.9 |
| C20-H20 $\cdots$ T | 0.930 | 3.502 (54) | 3.767 | 119.9 |
| C21-H21... | 0.929 | 2.897 (43) | 3.614 | 135.0 |
| C40-H40 $\cdots$ T | 0.931 | 2.973 (45) | 3.696 | 135.5 |
| C41-H41 $\cdots$ T | 0.930 | 2.889 (44) | 3.604 | 134.6 |
| C42-H42 $\cdots$ T | 0.929 | 3.510 (37) | 3.907 | 108.5 |
| 2 |  |  |  |  |
| C17-H17B...B2 | 0.960 | 3.141 (15) | 3.704 | 119.1 |
| C17-H17C...B2 | 0.959 | 3.358 (8) | 3.704 | 103.7 |
| C18-H18B $\cdots$ m | 0.961 | 3.005 (14) | 3.863 | 149.4 |
| 3 |  |  |  |  |
| C20-H20 $\cdots$ B1 | 0.931 | 3.403 (7) | 3.998 | 124.0 |
| N4-H4A $\cdots$ F | 0.860 | 2.337 (7) | 3.054 | 141.1 |
| C4-H4...F3 | 0.930 | 2.850 (1) | 3.734 | 159.1 |
| C6-H6..F1 | 0.930 | 2.685 (6) | 3.272 | 117.2 |
| C16-H16..F2 | 0.930 | 2.470 (6) | 3.394 | 172.6 |
| C19-H19...F6 | 0.930 | 2.728 (4) | 3.396 | 129.4 |
| C22-H22..F2 | 0.930 | 2.722 (9) | 3.351 | 125.6 |
| C22-H22 $\cdots$ F3 | 0.930 | 2.558 (7) | 3.179 | 124.6 |
| 4 |  |  |  |  |
| C26-H26C...B3 | 0.960 | 3.469 (60) | 4.100 | 125.3 |
| C34-H34B...B3 | 0.960 | 3.213 (40) | 3.704 | 113.6 |
| C34-H34C...B3 | 0.961 | 3.327 (50) | 3.704 | 105.6 |
| C8-H8..F6 | 0.929 | 2.731 (26) | 3.540 | 146.1 |
| C10-H10..F1 | 0.930 | 2.818 (18) | 3.567 | 138.3 |
| C12-H12..F2 | 0.930 | 2.565 (26) | 3.461 | 161.9 |
| C27-H27C...F4 | 0.960 | 2.804 (25) | 3.483 | 128.5 |
| C28-H28B...F6 | 0.959 | 2.832 (32) | 3.380 | 117.1 |
| C33-H33B..F5 | 0.960 | 2.661 (36) | 3.493 | 145.3 |
| C37-H37A $\cdots$ F3 | 0.961 | 2.662 (33) | 3.356 | 129.5 |

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

All adducts $\left(\mathrm{B}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{3}(\mathrm{Ph})_{3} \mathrm{PzH}\right)$ (1), $\left(\mathrm{B}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{3}(\mathrm{Ph})_{3}\left(\mathrm{Pz}^{\mathrm{tBu}, \mathrm{Pr}} \mathrm{H}\right)_{2}\right)$ (2), ( $\left.\mathrm{B}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{3}\left(\mathrm{PhF}_{2}\right)_{3} \mathrm{PzH}\right) . \mathrm{PzH} \quad$ (3) and $\left(\mathrm{B}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{3}\left(\mathrm{PhF}_{2}\right)_{3}\left(\mathrm{Pz}^{\mathrm{tBu}, \mathrm{iPr}} \mathrm{H}\right)_{2}\right)$ (4) have been prepared by using phenylboronic acid, 3,5-difluorophenylboronic acid and corresponding pyrazoles $\left(\mathrm{PzH} / \mathrm{Pz}^{\text {tBu, iPr }} \mathrm{H}\right)$ in methanol, and the different formulations were confirmed by elemental analysis, IR, NMR and crystallographic structure analysis. 2 and 4 are rare 1:2 adducts of 3,5-
difluorotriphenylboroxine and $\mathrm{Pz}^{\mathrm{tBu}, \mathrm{iPr}} \mathrm{H}$, whereas 1 and 3 are $1: 1$ adducts of triphenylboroxine and PzH but 3 is crystallized with free pyrazole as solvate.

## Infrared and NMR spectroscopy

1-4 show strong bands in the region $1460-1250 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$, and at $1255 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ due to $\mathrm{B}-\mathrm{O}$ and $\mathrm{B}-\mathrm{N}$ stretching bands, respectively (Smith and Northrop, 2014). NH stretching


Figure 1. (a) Molecular structure of 1. (b) 2-D sheet like framework. Color code: B, green; C, gray; H, purple; O, red; N , blue.
bands ( $3500-3400 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ ) are shifted at $3100-3055 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ due to formation of adjacent B-N dative bond. The IR spectra do not show any O-H stretching vibration in the region of $3300-3200 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ that suggests the absence of O H bands (Faniran and Shurvell, 1968). The formation of adducts have also been confirmed by the ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$-NMR spectra, showing the prominent downfield shift in each case with respect to free compounds as shown in Table S3.

## Structure description of 1-4

According to Figure 1a, the crystal structure of 1 shows two molecular units. In each unit one boron atom $(B(1))$ has tetrahedral geometry, while other two boron atoms $(B(2)$ and $B(3)$ ) shows trigonal planar geometry. $B(1)$ has $\mathrm{Sp}^{3}$ hybridization due to the additional $\mathrm{B}-\mathrm{N}$ dative bond. In one molecular unit, the $\mathrm{B}(2)-\mathrm{O}(1), \mathrm{B}(2)-\mathrm{O}(3), \mathrm{B}(3)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ and $\mathrm{B}(3)-\mathrm{O}(3)$ bond distances are in the range of $1.347(22)$ to $1.399(21) \AA$, and these are much smaller than that of $\mathrm{B}(1)-\mathrm{O}(1)(1.468(20) \AA$ ) and $\mathrm{B}(1)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ (1.456(23) $\AA$ ) in $\mathrm{B}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{3}$ ring. In the same manner, $\mathrm{B}(2)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ (1.542(21) $\AA$ ) and $B(3)-C(13)(1.548(24) \AA$ ) bond lengths are also shorter than the $B(1)-C(1)(1.595(25) \AA)$. The $\mathrm{B}(1)-\mathrm{N}(1)$ bond length is (1.617(23) $\AA$ ) which is nearly matched with the reported literature ( Wu et al., 1999). Another unit also follows the same pattern as previous one. The crystal packing shows that the one unit is noncovalently hydrogen bonded to neighboring unit through the various weak C-H $\cdots \mathrm{B}$ (C8-H8‥B5, 3.153 (58) Aं; C16-H16‥B5, 3.058 (46) $\AA$; C $35-\mathrm{H} 35 \cdots$ B3, 3.154 (58) $\AA$ ), $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{HA} \cdots \pi(\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{H} 2 \mathrm{~A} \cdots \pi, 3.021$ (46) $\AA$; $\mathrm{N} 4-\mathrm{H} 4 \mathrm{~A} \cdots \pi$, 2.646 (36) Å) and C-H $\cdots$ (C19-H19 $\cdots \pi, 2.572$ (35) $\AA$;
$\mathrm{C} 20-\mathrm{H} 20 \cdots \mathrm{~m}, 3.502$ (54) $\AA$ A ; C21-H21 $\cdots$ п, 2.897 (43) $\AA$; $\mathrm{C} 40-\mathrm{H} 40 \cdots \pi, 2.973$ (45) $\AA$; C $\mathrm{C} 41-\mathrm{H} 41 \cdots \pi, 2.889$ (44) $\AA$; C42-H42 $\cdots$, 3.510 (37) Å) intermolecular interactions (Sarma and Baruah, 2009) (Appendix Figure S1). The angles between weak $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{B}$ bonds are 150.0 and $173.5^{\circ}$. All these interactions help to create the two dimensional sheet like framework (Figure 1(b)).
The asymmetric unit of 2 shows that two boron atoms $B(1)$ and $B\left(1^{1}\right)$ have tetrahedral geometry $\left(S^{3}\right)$, while other boron atom $\mathrm{B}(2)$ has a trigonal planar geometry $\left(\mathrm{Sp}^{2}\right)$. In this molecular structure, $\mathrm{B1} 1^{i}, \mathrm{O2}^{\mathrm{i}}, \mathrm{C1}^{1}, \mathrm{N1}^{1}$ lie on inversion centers with symmetry code ( $\mathrm{i}=2-\mathrm{x}, \mathrm{y}, 0.5-\mathrm{z}$ ) (Figure 2(a)). From the X -ray structure, it is clear that both $\mathrm{Pz}^{\text {tBu; }}{ }^{\mathrm{P}} \mathrm{H} \mathrm{H}$ ligands in boroxine adduct are anti to each other which is more stable than syn configuration (lovine et al., 2008). The $\mathrm{B}(1)-\mathrm{O}(1)(1.437(13) \AA$ ) and $\mathrm{B}(1)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ (1.446(4) $\AA$ ) bond distances are greater than the $\mathrm{B}(2)$ $\mathrm{O}(2)(1.362(10) \AA$ A $)$. Similarly, the $\mathrm{B}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)(1.621(8) \AA$ A) bond length is slightly higher than that of $\mathrm{B}(1)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ (1.579(6) $\AA$ ). The $B(1)-N(1)$ bond length is (1.655(11) A), which is greater than the B-N bond of 1 . The crystal structure analysis describes that one molecular unit is hydrogen bonded with other units through C17H17B $\cdots$ B2, 3.141(15) Å; C17-H17C $\cdots$ B2, 3.358 (8) Å and C18-H18B $\cdots \pi, 3.005$ (14) $\AA$ non covalent interactions (Melikova et al., 2002) (Appendix Figure S2), and the C$\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{B}$ bond angles in 2 are 119.1 and $103.7^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ which are lesser than the $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{B}$ bond angles of 1 (Table 2). Three dimensional zig-zag layered network is obtained by all C$\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{B}$ and $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{m}$ non covalent interactions (Figure 2b). 3 contains an adduct having 3,5-difluorophenylboronic acid and PzH with one free PzH in lattice (Figure 3a). In this structure, $B(1)$ has tetrahedral geometry $\left(\mathrm{Sp}^{3}\right)$, while $B(2)$ and $B(3)$ both atoms present trigonal planar


Figure 2. (a) Molecular structure of 2. Color code: B, green; C, gray; H, purple; O, red; N, blue. (b) 3-D zig-zag layered network. Color code: color by atomic displacement.


Figure 3. (a) Molecular structure of 3. Color code: B, green; C, gray; H, purple; O, red; N, blue; F, orange. (b) 3-D ladder like framework. Color code: adduct, green; free Pz, blue.
geometry $\left(\mathrm{Sp}^{2}\right)$. The $\mathrm{B}(1)-\mathrm{O}(1)(1.447(5) \AA$ ) and $\mathrm{B}(1)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ (1.447(4) $\AA$ ) bond distances are greater than the $\mathrm{B}(2)$ $\mathrm{O}(2) \quad(1.346(6) \AA), \quad \mathrm{B}(2)-\mathrm{O}(3) \quad(1.378(6) \AA), \quad \mathrm{B}(3)-\mathrm{O}(1)$ (1.349(5) $\AA), \quad \mathrm{B}(3)-\mathrm{O}(3)(1.381(4) \AA$ ). $\mathrm{B}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ bond length is $1.608(6) \AA$, which is slightly higher than the $B(2)-C(7)(1.566(5) \AA$ ) and $B(3)-C(13)(1.549(5) \AA$ A). $B(1)-$ $N(1)$ bond distance is $1.632(5) \AA$, which is higher than 1 but less than 2 (Appendix Table S1). The packing of crystal shows that the molecular units are interconnected to each other via various intermolecular hydrogen bond interactions, that is, $\mathrm{C}_{20}-\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O} \cdots \mathrm{B} 1,3.403(7) \mathrm{A}$; $\mathrm{C}_{4}-\mathrm{H}_{4} \cdots \mathrm{~F} 3$,
$2.850(1) \AA \AA ; \mathrm{C}_{6}-\mathrm{H}_{6} \cdots \mathrm{~F} 1,2.685(6) \AA \AA^{\prime} ; \mathrm{C}_{16}-\mathrm{H}_{16} \cdots \mathrm{~F} 2,2.470(6)$ $\AA$ A $\mathrm{C}_{19}-\mathrm{H}_{19} \cdots \mathrm{~F} 6,2.728(4) \AA \AA_{;} \mathrm{C}_{22}-\mathrm{H}_{22} \cdots \mathrm{~F} 3,2.558(7) \AA$ (Appendix Figures S3 and S4(a)). On the other side, the free PzH in lattice also shows the N4-H4A…F5, 2.337(7) $\AA$ and C22-H22 $\cdots$ F2, 2.722(9) Å noncovalent interactions with adducts (Appendix Figure S4(b)). The C-H $\cdots$ B bond angle in 3 is $124.0^{\circ}$ which are lesser than the C-H $\cdots \mathrm{B}$ bond angles of 1 and greater than 2. All these interactions design a three dimensional ladder like framework (Figure 3b).
The molecular structure of 4 has same structural


Figure 4. (a) Molecular structure of 4. Color code: B, green; C, gray; H, purple; O, red; N, blue; F, orange. (b) 3-D perspective view. Color code: color by atomic displacement.


Figure 5. TGA plot for 1-4.
dimension and geometry as 2, presented in Figure 4a. The $\mathrm{B}(1)-\mathrm{O}(2)(1.438(18) \AA), \mathrm{B}(1)-\mathrm{O}(3)(1.456(17) \AA)$, $\mathrm{B}(2)-\mathrm{O}(1)(1.461(18) \AA$ ) and $\mathrm{B}(2)-(\mathrm{O}(3)(1.407(19) \AA)$ bond distances are much greater than $\mathrm{B}(3)-\mathrm{O}(1)$ (1.380(17) $\AA$ ) and $B(3)-O(2)(1.363(19) \AA)$. Similarly, the $\mathrm{B}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)(1.607(20) \AA$ ) and $\mathrm{B}(2)-\mathrm{C}(7)(1.619(17) \AA)$ bond lengths are higher than that of $\mathrm{B}(3)-\mathrm{C}(13)$ (1.569(20) $\AA$ ). The $B(1)-N(1)$ and $B(2)-N(2)$ bond lengths are 1.644(25) and 1.658(28) A, respectively, which are greater than that of 2. The X-ray crystal structural analysis shows that the molecule is intermolecular hydrogen bonded to adjacent molecules through $\mathrm{C}_{26}$ $\mathrm{H}_{26} \mathrm{C} \cdots \mathrm{B} 3,3.469$ (60) $\AA$; $\mathrm{C}_{34}-\mathrm{H}_{34} \mathrm{~B} \cdots \mathrm{~B} 3,3.213$ (40) $\AA$; $\mathrm{C}_{34}{ }^{-}$ $\mathrm{H}_{34} \mathrm{C} \cdots \mathrm{B} 3,3.327(50) \AA ; \mathrm{C}_{8}-\mathrm{H}_{8} \cdots \mathrm{~F} 6,2.731$ (26) $\AA$; $\mathrm{C}_{10^{-}}$ $\mathrm{H}_{10} \cdots \mathrm{~F} 1,2.818$ (18) $\AA \AA ; \mathrm{C}_{12}-\mathrm{H}_{12} \cdots \mathrm{~F} 2,2.565$ (26) $\AA$; $\mathrm{C}_{27}{ }^{-}$ $\mathrm{H}_{27} \mathrm{C} \cdots \mathrm{F} 4,2.804$ (25) $\AA$ A; $\mathrm{C}_{28}-\mathrm{H}_{28} \mathrm{~B} \cdots \mathrm{~F} 6,2.832$ (32) $\AA$; $\mathrm{C}_{33^{-}}$
$\mathrm{H}_{33} \mathrm{~B} \cdots \mathrm{~F} 5,2.661$ (36) $\AA$ and $\mathrm{C}_{37}-\mathrm{H}_{37} \mathrm{~A} \cdots \mathrm{~F} 3,2.662$ (33) $\AA$ interactions (Appendix Figures S5 and S6). C-H $\cdots$ B bond angles in 4 are $125.3,113.6$ and $105.6^{\circ}$ which are nearly matched with 2 and 3 , but lesser than the $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{B}$ bond angles of 1. Three dimensional perspective view is created by involving all type of intermolecular interactions (Figure 4b).

## Thermal study

All adducts $1-4$ are stable at room temperature and their TGA plots are given in Figure 5. 1 and 2 show the one step decomposition. Adduct 1 decomposes completely in the temperature range of $169-236^{\circ} \mathrm{C}(\sim 92.7 \%$ mass loss), while 2 shows the $91.2 \%$ mass loss in the
temperature range of $221-377^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. 3 decompose in two steps. In the first step free PzH releases between 103$123^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ temperature range with $11.4 \%$ mass loss, while the second step corresponds to the removal of adduct in the $127-223^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ temperature range with $76.7 \%$ mass loss. 4 follows the same pattern as 2 with $93.4 \%$ weight loss in the temperature range of $305-389^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.

## Conclusions

This study has synthesized and structurally characterized four new boroxine adducts with different stoichiometric compositions (1:1, and 1:2) having phenyl boronic acid, 3,5 -difluorophenylboronic acid, 1H-pyrazole and 3-tert-butyl-5-isopropyl pyrazole. The X-ray crystal structure studies conclude that on increasing the substituents of phenyl boronic acids and pyrazoles, the stoichiometry, number of non-covalent interactions varies from 1 to 4, and the $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{B}$ bond angles of 2-4 are lesser than 1 . The molecules are intermolecularly hydrogen bonded to each other through various noncovalent interactions, and gives two/three dimensional frameworks. From this it is clear that the packing changes with the substitution in aryl boronic acids, pyrazoles, and diversity in adduct stoichiometry. Thermal study shows that all adducts are stable at room temperature and decompose at high temperature.

## Conflict of Interests

The authors have not declared any conflict of interests.

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## Supplementary information

The crystallographic data are available free of charge at deposit@ccdc.cam.ac.uk or http://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk). Bond lengths and bond angles tables (Table S1, S2 and S3), hydrogen bond interaction Figures (Figure S1-S6) are also available.

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## APPENDIX

Preparation, structural and thermal studies of boroxine adducts having aryl boronic acids and pyrazoles

Table S1. Selected bond lengths ( $\AA$ ) for 1-4.

| 1 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| O1-B1 | 1.468(20) | O6-B5 | 1.355(22) |
| O1-B2 | 1.347(22) | O6-B4 | 1.457(22) |
| O2-B1 | 1.456(23) | N1-B1 | 1.617(23) |
| O2-B3 | 1.351(21) | N3-B4 | 1.612(22) |
| O3-B2 | 1.399(21) | C1-B1 | 1.595(25) |
| O3-B3 | 1.374(18) | C7-B2 | 1.542(21) |
| O4-B4 | 1.457(20) | C13-B3 | 1.548(24) |
| O4-B6 | $1.342(22)$ | C22-B4 | 1.599(25) |
| O5-B5 | 1.378(19) | C28-B5 | 1.552(24) |
| O5-B6 | 1.389(21) | C34-B6 | 1.550(21) |
| 2 |  |  |  |
| O1-B1 | 1.437(13) | B2-O2 ${ }^{\text {i }}$ | $1.362(10)$ |
| O1-B1 ${ }^{\text {i }}$ | 1.437(13) | N1-B1 | 1.655(11) |
| O2-B1 | 1.446(4) | C1-B1 | 1.621(8) |
| O2-B2 | $1.362(10)$ | C7-B2 | 1.579(6) |
| 3 |  |  |  |
| O1-B1 | 1.447(5) | O3-B3 | 1.381(4) |
| O1-B3 | 1.349(5) | N1-B1 | 1.632(5) |
| O2-B1 | $1.447(4)$ | C1-B1 | 1.608(6) |
| O2-B2 | $1.346(6)$ | C7-B2 | 1.566(5) |
| O3-B2 | 1.378(6) | C13-B3 | 1.549(5) |
| 4 |  |  |  |
| O1-B2 | 1.461(18) | N1-B1 | $1.644(25)$ |
| O1-B3 | 1.380(17) | N2-B2 | 1.658(28) |
| O2-B1 | 1.438(18) | C1-B1 | 1.607(20) |
| O2-B3 | 1.363(19) | C7-B2 | 1.619(17) |
| O3-B1 | 1.456(17) | C13-B3 | 1.569(20) |
| O3-B2 | 1.407(19) |  |  |

Table S2. Selected bond angles (deg) for 1-4.

| 1 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{B} 2-\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{B} 1$ | 122.90(34) | O2-B1-C1 | 113.05(34) |
| B3-O2-B1 | 121.98(31) | O1-B1-C1 | 111.37(35) |
| B3-O3-B2 | 121.07(35) | O2-B1-N1 | 104.37(29) |
| B6-O4-B4 | 122.18(34) | O1-B1-N1 | 103.62(31) |
| B5-O5-B6 | 120.74(33) | C1-B1-N1 | 110.32(32) |
| B5-O6-B4 | 121.75(31) | O1-B2-O3 | 119.20(35) |
| C19-N1-B1 | 123.49(32) | O1-B2-C7 | 121.46(40) |
| N2-N1-B1 | 130.28(33) | O3-B2-C7 | 119.34(38) |
| N4-N3-B4 | 121.64(32) | O2-B3-O3 | 120.88(39) |
| C40-N3-B4 | 131.93(33) | O2-B3-C13 | 120.51(36) |
| C6-C1-B1 | 122.00(34) | $\mathrm{O} 3-\mathrm{B} 3-\mathrm{C} 13$ | 118.61(38) |

Table S2. Contd.

| C2-C1-B1 | 122.64(35) | O6-B4-O4 | 113.92(34) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C8-C7-B2 | 120.77(42) | O6-B4-C22 | 112.10(33) |
| C12-C7-B2 | 122.15(43) | O4-B4-C22 | 111.12(35) |
| C18-C13-B3 | 121.17(41) | O6-B4-N3 | 105.64(29) |
| C14-C13-B3 | 121.48(40) | O4-B4-N3 | 102.85(31) |
| C27-C22-B4 | 121.58(34) | C22-B4-N3 | 110.66(32) |
| C23-C22-B4 | 122.36(34) | O6-B5-O5 | 120.44(39) |
| C33-C28-B5 | 121.18(40) | O6-B5-C28 | 120.18(36) |
| C29-C28-B5 | 121.53(40) | O5-B5-C28 | 119.36(38) |
| C39-C34-B6 | 122.06(43) | O4-B6-O5 | 120.30(36) |
| C35-C34-B6 | 121.15(41) | O4-B6-C34 | 120.94(40) |
| O2-B1-O1 | 113.42(34) | O5-B6-C34 | 118.75(38) |
| 2 |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{B} 1-\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{B} 1^{\text {i }}$ | 124.27(21) | O1-B1-C1 | 111.42(26) |
| B2-O2-B1 | 121.0(2) | O2-B1-C1 | 113.10(25) |
| C12-N1-B1 | 135.98(30) | O1-B1-N1 | 102.82(23) |
| N2-N1-B1 | 116.88(27) | $\mathrm{O} 2-\mathrm{B} 1-\mathrm{N} 1$ | 105.84(24) |
| C2-C1-B1 | 123.57(33) | $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{B} 1-\mathrm{N} 1$ | 108.06(25) |
| C6-C1-B1 | 120.15(27) | O2-B2-O2 ${ }^{\text {i }}$ | 123.17(15) |
| C8-C7-B2 | 121.49(13) | O2-B2-C7 | 118.41(11) |
| C8- ${ }^{\text {- }} 7$ - ${ }^{\text {B2 }}$ | 121.49(13) | $\mathrm{O} 2-\mathrm{B} 2-\mathrm{C} 7$ | 118.41(11) |
| O1-B1-O2 | 114.69(26) |  |  |
| 3 |  |  |  |
| B3-O1-B1 | 121.52(23) | O2-B1-C1 | 112.67(24) |
| B2-O2-B1 | 121.57(24) | O1-B1-C1 | 112.69(23) |
| B2-O3-B3 | 120.06(25) | $\mathrm{O} 2-\mathrm{B} 1-\mathrm{N} 1$ | 104.64(25) |
| $\mathrm{C} 21-\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{B} 1$ | 123.15(23) | $\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{B} 1-\mathrm{N} 1$ | 104.29(25) |
| N2-N1-B1 | 130.35(27) | $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{B} 1-\mathrm{N} 1$ | 106.95(24) |
| C6-C1-B1 | 121.42(26) | O2-B2-O3 | 120.90(34) |
| C2-C1-B1 | 121.51(24) | O2-B2-C7 | 120.33(28) |
| C12-C7-B2 | 121.05(30) | O3-B2-C7 | 118.77(29) |
| C8-C7-B2 | 119.79(30) | O1-B3-O3 | 120.89(27) |
| C18-C13-B3 | 121.78(27) | O1-B3-C13 | 119.55(25) |
| C14-C13-B3 | 119.79(28) | O3-B3-C13 | 119.55(27) |
| O2-B1-O1 | 114.58(24) |  |  |
| 4 |  |  |  |
| B3-O1-B2 | 120.41(78) | O2-B1-C1 | 112.90(66) |
| B3-O2-B1 | 121.12(68) | O3-B1-C1 | 111.93(62) |
| $\mathrm{B} 2-\mathrm{O} 3-\mathrm{B} 1$ | 123.96(63) | $\mathrm{O} 2-\mathrm{B} 1-\mathrm{N} 1$ | 105.85(62) |
| C21-N1-B1 | 134.00(69) | O3-B1-N1 | 104.24(63) |
| N3-N1-B1 | 119.30(55) | C1-B1-N1 | 107.28(57) |
| C31-N2-B2 | 135.80(71) | O3-B2-O1 | 115.41(74) |
| N4-N2-B2 | 117.25(63) | O3-B2-C7 | 111.77(67) |
| C2-C1-B1 | 120.64(68) | O1-B2-C7 | 111.58(77) |
| C6-C1-B1 | 122.18(70) | O3-B2-N2 | 104.27(69) |
| C12-C7-B2 | 118.91(76) | O1-B2-N2 | 106.56(72) |
| C8-C7-B2 | 125.66(65) | C7-B2-N2 | 106.44(64) |
| C18-C13-B3 | 122.23(77) | O2-B3-O1 | 122.01(78) |
| C14-C13-B3 | 119.48(84) | O2-B3-C13 | 118.45(78) |
| O2-B1-O3 | 113.84(74) | O1-B3-C13 | 119.50(87) |

Table S3. Comparison of ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectra.

| S/No. | Pyrazoles/Adducts | Chemical Shifts ( $\delta$ ppm) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\mathrm{CH}(\mathrm{Pz})$ | CH-N(Pz) | $\mathrm{CH}\left(\mathrm{CHMe}_{2}\right)$ | $\mathrm{Me}_{2}\left(\mathrm{CHMe}_{2}\right)$ | $\mathrm{Me}_{3}\left(\mathrm{CMe}_{3}\right)$ | NH |
| 1. | PzH | 6.13 | 7.15 | - | - | - | 9.81 |
| 2. | $\mathrm{Pz}{ }^{\text {tBu, } \mathrm{IPr}^{\text {r }} \mathrm{H}}$ | 5.89 | - | 2.96 | 1.28 | 1.32 | 9.05 |
| 3. | Adduct 1 | 6.21 | 7.57 | - | - | - | 12.61 |
| 4. | Adduct 2 | 6.51 | - | 4.49 | 1.39 | 1.54 | 12.64 |
| 5. | Adduct 3 | 6.27 | 7.64 | - | - | - | 12.67 |
| 6. | Adduct 4 | 6.53 | - | 4.51 | 1.42 | 1.57 | 12.69 |



Figure S1. 1 shows various $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{B}, \mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \pi$ and $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots$ m noncovalent interactions. Color code: B, green; C, gray; H, purple; O , red; N , blue.


Figure S2. 2 shows various C-H‥B and C-H…T non covalent interactions. Color code: B, green; C, gray; H, purple; O, red; N, blue.


Figure S3. 3 shows various C-H‥F non covalent interactions. Color code: B, green; C, gray; H, purple; O, red; N, blue; F, orange.

(a)

(b)

Figure S4 (a) and (b). 3 shows various C-H‥B and N-H‥F non covalent interactions. Color code: B, green; C, gray; H, purple; O, red; N , blue; F , orange.


Figure S5. 4 shows various $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{B}$ non covalent interactions. Color code: B, green; C, gray; H, purple; O, red; N , blue; F , orange.


Figure S6. 4 shows various $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{F}$ non covalent interactions. Color code: B, green; C, gray; H, purple; O, red; N, blue; F, orange.


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