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# 5-Ethyl-2'-deoxy-4'-thiouridine (*R*)-*S*-oxide monohydrate

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The pyrimidine ring of the title compound,  $C_{11}H_{16}N_2O_5S \cdot H_2O$ , is planar to within 0.026 (1) Å and makes an angle of 77.73 (8)° with the mean plane of the thiosugar ring. In terms of standard nucleoside nomenclature, this ring has a C1'*exo*,C2'-*endo* conformation. The O5'-C5'-C4'-C3' torsion angle is -167.4 (2)° and the glycosidic S4'-C1'-N1-C2 torsion angle is -101.8 (2)° (*anti*).

## Comment

5-Substituted 2'-deoxy-4'-thiouridines possess significant antiviral activity (Dyson *et al.*, 1991; Rahim *et al.*, 1996). In order to provide data for structure–activity relationships, the crystal structure of the title compound, (I), synthesized by Macculloch (1998), is presented here.



Bond lengths in (I) (Fig. 1) are normal. The C1'-S4' and C4'-S4' bonds are 1.847 (2) and 1.837 (2) Å, respectively, slightly longer than the mean length of 1.818 Å measured in a 6-aza-2'-deoxy-4'-thiouridine (Basnak *et al.*, 1998), but in good agreement with the values found in 4'-thiothymidine (Koole *et al.*, 1992; Uenischi *et al.*, 1993) and 5-(2-bromovinyl)-2'-deoxy-4'-thiouridine (Koole *et al.*, 1992) which were in the range 1.83–1.85 Å. The thiosugar has a C1'-*exo*,C2'-*endo* ( $_1T^2$ ) conformation (south), a pseudo-rotation phase angle (*P*) of 135.7° and a degree of pucker of 49.9°; these two atoms are displaced by 0.648 (5) and 0.134 (6) Å, respectively, on opposite sides of the C3'/C4'/S4' plane. This appears to be an



#### Figure 1

The molecular structure of (I) showing 50% probability displacement ellipsoids (*ORTEPII*; Johnson, 1976).

unusual conformation for sugar rings of this type. The conformation about C4'-C5' is trans [O5'-C5'-C4'-C3'  $-167.4 (2)^{\circ}$ ]. The glycosidic torsion angle, defined as S4'-C1'-N1-C2 (IUPAC-IUB Joint Commission on Biochemical Nomenclature, 1983) is  $-101.8 (2)^{\circ}$ , similar to that found in the crystal structure of the sulfone of 4'-thiothymidine (-99.8°; Hancox et al., 1994) and in some 6-aza-2'-deoxyuridines (Basnak et al., 1998), but different from the angles between -121 and  $-146^{\circ}$  found in other thiouridines (Bobek et al., 1975; Koole et al., 1992; Uenische et al., 1993). The steeper inclination of the pyrimidine ring with respect to the sugar ring in both the sulfoxide and the sulfone is presumably due to steric interactions between these O atoms and the pyrimidine ring, specifically C6 and H6; O4"...C6 is 3.142 (3) Å and O4"····H6 is 2.77 Å in the title compound. In the 6-aza-nucleosides, repulsion between the N atom in the 6position of the pyrimidine ring and the 4'-O or 4'-S atom of the sugar may affect the glycosidic torsion angle in a similar manner.

In the crystal, nucleoside and water molecules are linked through a three-dimensional network of hydrogen bonds. Atoms N3, O3' and O5' each donate a proton, forming bonds with, respectively, the water molecule, the O5' atom and the O2 atom of neighbouring nucleoside molecules. The water molecule, in turn, forms hydrogen bonds with O5' and the sulfone O atom of two different molecules (Table 2). All H atoms attached to electronegative atoms take part in hydrogen bonding consistent with the principle of maximum hydrogen bonding (Robertson, 1953).

## Experimental

Crystal data

The title compound was recrystallized from MeOH-H<sub>2</sub>O solution.

$C_{11}H_{16}N_2O_5S\cdot H_2O$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$M_r = 306.33$	Cell parameters from 7338 reflec-
Orthorhombic, $P2_12_12_1$	tions (post-refined using
a = 9.343 (4)  Å	complete data set)
b = 21.922 (8) Å	$\theta = 1.86-25.18^{\circ}$
c = 6.447 (3)  Å	$\mu = 0.274 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$V = 1320.5 (10) \text{ Å}^3$	T = 293 (2)  K
Z = 4	Rod, colourless
$D_x = 1.541 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$	$0.40 \times 0.25 \times 0.25 \text{ mm}$

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Data collection

Rigaku R-AXIS II area-detector	2169 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
diffractometer	$R_{\rm int} = 0.040$
Image-plate scans	$\theta_{\rm max} = 25.18^{\circ}$
7338 measured reflections	$h = -10 \rightarrow 11$
1122 independent reflections (plus	$k = -26 \rightarrow 26$
1062 Friedel-related reflections)	$l = -7 \rightarrow 7$

 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0329P)^2]$ 

where  $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ 

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Absolute structure: Flack (1983)

Flack parameter = 0.00 (8)

+ 0.5503P]

 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$ 

 $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.19$  e Å

 $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.16 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$ 

### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.031$   $wR(F^2) = 0.077$  S = 1.0622184 reflections 197 parameters H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement

#### Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å,  $^{\circ}$ ).

S4'-O4"	1.498 (2)	O5′-C5′	1.423 (3)
S4'-C4'	1.837 (2)	N1-C2	1.379 (3)
S4'-C1'	1.847 (2)	N1-C6	1.383 (3)
O2-C2	1.234 (3)	N1-C1′	1.453 (2)
O3′-C3′	1.423 (3)	N3-C2	1.368 (3)
O4-C4	1.227 (3)	N3-C4	1.396 (3)
O4'' - S4' - C4'	107 64 (10)	C2' - C1' - S4'	104 47 (14)
O4"-S4'-C1'	105.97 (9)	C1'-C2'-C3'	105.0 (2)
C4'-S4'-C1'	88.44 (9)	O3'-C3'-C2'	111.6 (2)
C2-N1-C6	121.5 (2)	O3'-C3'-C4'	106.5 (2)
C2-N1-C1'	117.6 (2)	C2'-C3'-C4'	108.6 (2)
C6-N1-C1'	120.9 (2)	C5'-C4'-C3'	113.7 (2)
N1-C1'-C2'	116.0 (2)	C5'-C4'-S4'	110.1 (2)
N1-C1'-S4'	111.53 (14)	C3'-C4'-S4'	109.59 (13)
$C_{2}-N_{1}-C_{1}'-C_{2}'$	138.8 (2)	C1' - C2' - C3' - C4'	-35.7(2)
C6-N1-C1'-C2'	-41.0(3)	C2'-C3'-C4'-S4'	5.3 (2)
C2-N1-C1'-S4'	-101.8(2)	C1'-S4'-C4'-C3'	20.6(2)
C6-N1-C1'-S4'	78.4 (2)	C3'-C4'-C5'-O5'	-167.4(2)
C4'-S4'-C1'-C2'	-41.13 (15)	S4'-C4'-C5'-O5'	69.2 (2)
84' - C1' - C2' - C3'	50.9 (2)		

Table 2

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D-\mathrm{H}\cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
$N3-H3\cdots O6^{i}$	0.86	2.07	2.898 (3)	161
O3'-HO3'···O5' <sup>ii</sup>	0.90(2)	2.06 (2)	2.934 (2)	164 (2)
O5'-HO5'···O2 <sup>iii</sup>	1.00(2)	1.90 (3)	2.869 (2)	164 (3)
$O6-HW1\cdots O4''$	0.87(2)	2.08(2)	2.855 (3)	148 (2)
$O6-HW2\cdots O5'^{iii}$	0.91 (3)	2.35 (2)	3.210 (3)	158 (2)
Symmetry code: (i) $-\frac{3}{2}$	$-x, -v - \frac{1}{2} + z$	(ii) x, y, $1 + z$ ;	(iii) $x - \frac{1}{2} - y - \frac{1}{2}$	-2 - z.

H atoms were placed in calculated positions, except for those bonded to O3' and O5', and those of the water molecule, which were located from difference maps and refined with isotropic displacement parameters.

Data collection: *R-AXIS II Software* (Rigaku, 1994); cell refinement: *R-AXIS II Software*; data reduction: *TEXSAN* (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1993); program(s) used to solve structure: *TEXSAN*; program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL*93 (Sheldrick, 1993); molecular graphics: *ORTEPII* (Johnson, 1976); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL*93.

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