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In the title compound, $C_{23}H_{15}NO_2$, the naphthyl unit is planar and the benzopyran unit is nearly planar. These two moieties are inclined at an angle of 9.10 (6) $^{\circ}$ with respect to one another.

Comment

Many derivatives of benzopyrans are found to possess medicinal and biological activities (Malhotra et al., 1997). In order to study the activity of the title compound, (I), an X-ray structure analysis was undertaken. The naphthyl unit is planar with a maximum deviation of -0.037 (2) Å for the C21 atom. The benzopyran unit is nearly planar; torsion angles: O1-C2-C3-C4 -8.9 (3), C2-C3-C4-C10 7.8 (3), C3-C4-C10-C9 -1.1 (3), C4-C10-C9-O1 -4.5 (3), C10-C9-O1-C2-3.4 (3) and C9-O1-C2-C3 3.0 (3)°. The dihedral angle between the benzopyran and naphthyl rings is $9.10 (6)^{\circ}$. As a result, there is conjugation which is evident from the alternate single and double bonds: O10=C2 1.202 (3), C2-C3 1.456 (3), C3=C4 1.370 (3), C4-C14 1.464 (3), C14=C15 1.333 (3), C15-C23 1.464 (3), C23=C22 1.367 (3), C22-C21 1.411 (3), C21=C20 1.357 (4) and C20-C25 1.400 (4) A. No unusual bond lengths or angles were observed (Allen et al., 1987).



Experimental

A mixture of 3-cyano-4,6-dimethyl-1-benzopyran-2-one (0.01 mol) and 1-naphthaldehyde (0.01 mol) was dissolved in chloroform

(140 ml) and a few drops of piperidine were added as a catalyst. The mixture was heated with stirring for 13-14 h. After evaporation, the solid residue obtained was recrystallized from dimethylformamide to give dark-yellow crystals (m.p. 514 K; yield 49%).

Crystal data

C23H15NO2 $M_r = 337.36$ Monoclinic, P21/c a = 7.814(5) Å b = 11.561 (3) Å c = 18.580(7) Å $\beta = 101.96 \ (4)^{\circ}$ $V = 1642.0 (13) \text{ Å}^3$ Z = 4

Data collection

Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer ω -2 θ scans Absorption correction: ψ scan (North et al., 1968) $T_{\min} = 0.974, \ T_{\max} = 0.994$ 3103 measured reflections 2878 independent reflections 2095 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ Refinement

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Refinement on F^2
R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.042
wR(F<sup>2</sup>) = 0.144
S = 0.831
2878 reflections
238 parameters
H-atom parameters constrained
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 $D_x = 1.365 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo $K\alpha$ radiation Cell parameters from 25 reflections $\theta = 2 - 25^\circ$ $\mu = 0.087 \ {\rm mm^{-1}}$ T = 293 (2) KRectangular, dark yellow $0.15 \times 0.12 \times 0.10 \text{ mm}$

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.024$ $\theta_{\rm max} = 25^{\circ}$ $h = 0 \rightarrow 9$ $k = 0 \rightarrow 13$ $l = -22 \rightarrow 21$ 3 standard reflections every 100 reflections frequency: 150 min intensity decay: none

 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0935P)^2$ + 0.9948P] where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.003$ $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.17 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.19 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

O1-C2	1.352 (3)	C9-C8	1.374 (3)
O1-C9	1.378 (3)	C3-C4	1.370 (3)
C10-C9	1.397 (3)	C3-C2	1.456 (3)
C10-C5	1.399 (3)	O10-C2	1.202 (3)
C10-C4	1.446 (3)	C12-N12	1.139 (3)
C2-O1-C9-C8	-177.5 (2)	C9-O1-C2-C3	3.0 (3)
C2-O1-C9-C10	3.4 (3)	C4-C3-C2-O1	-8.9(3)
C5-C10-C9-C8	-2.1(3)	C10-C5-C6-C13	-178.4(2)
C4-C10-C9-O1	-4.5(3)	C8-C7-C6-C5	-1.7(3)
C9-C10-C4-C3	-1.1(3)		

The title structure was solved by DIRDIF methods taking naphthalene coordinates from DIRDIF ORBASE (DIRDIF96; Beurskens et al., 1996). All H atoms were located from difference Fourier maps and were included in the structure-factor calculations with isotropic displacement parameters equal to $1.1U_{eq}$ of the carrier atom, but the parameters were not refined (Sheldrick, 1997). The geometrical calculations were performed using PARST (Nardelli, 1996).

Data collection: CAD-4 Software (Enraf-Nonius, 1989); cell refinement: MolEN (Fair, 1990); data reduction: MolEN; program(s) used to solve structure: DIRDIF96 (Beurskens et al., 1996); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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