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3-(*p*-Chlorophenyl)-4-phenyl-4,5-dihydroisoxazole-5-spiro-2'-1',2',3',4'tetrahydronaphthalen-1'-one

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In the title compound, $C_{24}H_{18}CINO_2$, the phenyl ring and the tetralone moiety are approximately orthogonal to the isoxazoline ring. The isoxazoline ring adopts an envelope conformation, while the cyclohexenone ring of the tetralone moiety has an intermediate sofa/half-chair conformation. In this structure, one C-H···N intermolecular and two C-H···O intramolecular hydrogen bonds occur; the H···A distances are 2.60, and 2.35 and 2.57 Å, respectively. The molecules are held together by an intermolecular C-H···N hydrogen bond, forming a one-dimensional chain along the [100] direction.

Comment

Isoxazoline derivatives have been used in many naturalproduct syntheses and have also proved to be efficient precursors for many synthetic intermediates, including γ -amino alcohols, β -hydroxy ketones, *etc.* (Kozikowski, 1984; Kanemasa & Tsuge, 1990). Spiro-isoxazoline compounds display interesting biological properties, such as herbicidal,



plant-growth regulatory and antitumour activities (Howe & Shelton, 1990; De Amici *et al.*, 1990; Smietana *et al.*, 1999). We report here the structure of 3-(*p*-chlorophenyl)-4-phenyl-4,5-dihydroisoxazole-5-spiro-2'-1',2',3',4'-tetrahydronaphthalen-1'-one, (I).

The structure of (I) (Fig. 1) consists of an isoxazoline ring (A) connected to a p-chlorophenyl ring (B) at C2, a phenyl ring (C) at C3 and a tetralone moiety [D (cyclohexenone) and E (phenyl)] at C1. Rings A and B are approximately coplanar, forming a dihedral angle of $1.2 (1)^{\circ}$. Phenyl ring C and tetralone ring D are approximately orthogonal to ring A, forming dihedral angles of 77.5 (1) and 88.5 (1)°, respectively. There is a slight folding of rings D and E of the tetralone substituent, the rings forming a dihedral angle of $4.9 (1)^{\circ}$ with one another.

The bond lengths O1-N1 and N1=C2, and the angles N1-O1-C1 and O1-N1-C2 in ring *A* are comparable with the corresponding values of two other structures (Mackay *et al.*, 1994; Pereira *et al.*, 1993). Also, bond lengths C11-C16 and C12=O2 are in good agreement with the values found in the literature (Allen *et al.*, 1987). Selected bond lengths and angles are given in Table 1.

The puckering (Cremer & Pople, 1975) and asymmetry parameters (Nardelli, 1983*a*) calculated for ring *D* are $Q_T = 0.450$ (4) Å, $\Delta C_s(C4) = 0.052$ (2)° and $\Delta C_2(C1-C4) = 0.060$ (2)°, and for ring *A* are $Q_T = 0.146$ (4) Å and $\Delta C_s(C1) = 0.003$ (2)°, which correspond to an intermediate sofa/half-chair conformation for ring *D* and an envelope conformation for ring *A*.

The N atom of ring A is involved in a $C-H\cdots N$ intermolecular hydrogen bond. The O atom of ring A and the carbonyl O atom of ring D are involved in two $C-H\cdots O$ short contacts (Table 2). The C3-H3 \cdots O2 and C5-



Figure 1

The molecular structure of the title compound (*ZORTEP*; Zsolnai, 1997) shown with 50% probability displacement ellipsoids. H atoms are displayed as small circles of arbitrary radii.

H5A...O1 intramolecular interactions are a result of the configurations at C3 and C1, respectively, while the intermolecular $C22-H22\cdots N1^{i}$ interaction joins the molecules in chains running along the [100] direction [symmetry code: (i) 1 + x, y, z].

Experimental

To a well stirred solution of 2-arylidine-1-tetralone (3 mmol) in CHCl₃ (10 ml), N-p-chlorobenzhydroxyiminoyl chloride was added (3 mmol), followed by 3.3 mmol of triethylamine. The reaction was monitored via thin-layer chromatography until the starting material had disappeared, and was then quenched with water, extracted with CHCl₃, dried with anhydrous MgSO₄, column chromatographed using hexane/ethyl acetate (4:1) and recrystallized from hexane/ethyl acetate (3:1).

Z = 2

 $D_{\rm x} = 1.299 {\rm Mg} {\rm m}^{-3}$

Cell parameters from 2150

Rectangular, colourless

 $0.42 \times 0.16 \times 0.14$ mm

Mo $K\alpha$ radiation

reflections

 $\mu=0.21~\mathrm{mm}^{-1}$

T = 293 (2) K

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.027$

 $\theta_{\rm max} = 25.0^\circ$

 $h = -10 \rightarrow 10$

 $k = -11 \rightarrow 13$

 $\theta=2.9{-}25.0^\circ$

Crystal data

C24H18CINO2 $M_r = 387.84$ Triclinic, $P\overline{1}$ a = 9.2559 (8) Å b = 10.9527 (9) Åc = 11.6466 (10) Å $\alpha = 62.867 (2)^{\circ}$ $\beta = 71.010 \ (2)^{\circ}$ $\gamma = 78.653 \ (2)^{\circ}$ $V = 991.93 (15) \text{ Å}^3$

Data collection

Siemens SMART CCD areadetector ω scans 5316 measured reflections 3387 independent reflections 2158 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.065$ wR(F²) = 0.191 S = 1.03 $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.38 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ 3387 reflections $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.46 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ 254 parameters H-atom parameters constrained Extinction correction: SHELXL97 Extinction coefficient: 0.020 (5)

 $l = -10 \rightarrow 13$ Intensity decay: 1% $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0861P)^2]$ + 0.4816P] where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$

The range of constrained C-H distances was 0.93-0.98 Å.

Data collection: SMART (Siemens, 1996); cell refinement: SAINT (Siemens, 1996); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: ZORTEP (Zsolnai, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97, PARST (Nardelli, 1983b, 1995) and PLATON (Spek, 1990).

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Cl1-Cl6	1.741 (4)	O2-C12	1.218 (4)
O1-N1	1.407 (3)	N1-C2	1.281 (4)
O1-C1	1.459 (4)		
N1-O1-C1	108.8 (2)	N1-C2-C13	119.7 (3)
C2-N1-O1	110.0(2)	N1-C2-C3	114.0 (3)
O1-C1-C4	107.3 (3)	O2-C12-C11	122.4 (3)
O1-C1-C3	105.2 (2)	O2-C12-C1	120.1 (3)
O1-C1-C12	103.5 (2)		

Table 2

Hydrogen-bonding and short-contact geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - H \cdots A$
$C5-H5A\cdotsO1$ $C3-H3\cdotsO2$ $C22-H22\cdotsN1^{i}$	0.97	2.57	2.831 (6)	95
	0.98	2.35	2.777 (4)	105
	0.93	2.60	3.531 (5)	175

Symmetry code: (i) 1 + x, y, z.

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