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8-Aza-7-deaza-7-propynyladenosine methanol solvate

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In the title compound, 4-amino-3-propynyl-1-(β -D-ribofuranosyl)-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidine methanol solvate, C₁₃H₁₅N₅O₄·CH₃OH, the torsion angle of the N-glycosylic bond is between *anti* and high-*anti* [$\chi = -101.8$ (5)°]. The ribofuranose moiety adopts the C3'-endo (³T₂) sugar conformation (N-type) and the conformation at the exocyclic C–C bond is +*sc* (*gauche*, *gauche*). The propynyl group is out of the plane of the nucleobase and is bent. The compound forms a three-dimensional network which is stabilized by several hydrogen bonds (O–H···O and O–H···N). The nucleobases are stacked head-to-tail. The methanol solvent molecule forms hydrogen bonds with both the nucleobase and the sugar moiety.

Comment

Among the various groups introduced into nucleosides to stabilize oligonucleotide duplexes, the propynyl group has attracted particular attention. This group has been introduced into the 5-position of pyrimidines or the 7-position of 7-deazapurine nucleosides (Froehler et al., 1992; Sági et al., 1993; Seela & Thomas, 1995; Seela & Zulauf, 1999; Barnes & Turner, 2001*a*,*b*; He & Seela, 2002*a*,*b*) (purine numbering is used throughout). Recently, the single-crystal X-ray structure of 7-deaza-2'-deoxy-7-propynylguanosine, (II), was published (Seela et al., 2004). We now report the crystal structure of the related ribonucleoside 4-amino-3-propynyl-1-(β -D-ribofuranosyl)-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidine methanol solvate (8-aza-7-deaza-7-propynyladenosine methanol solvate), (I). The synthesis of compound (I) is described in the Experimental and the structure is shown in Fig. 1. Selected geometric parameters are given in Table 1.

The N-glycosylic bond of compound (I) shows a conformation between *anti* and high-*anti*, with a C4-N9-C1'-O4' torsion angle χ of -101.8 (5)° (IUPAC–IUB Joint Commission on Biochemical Nomenclature, 1983). By comparison, 8-aza-7-deazaadenosine [8-azatubercidin, (III)], without the substitution of the propynyl group, exhibits the high-*anti* conformation ($\chi = -77.6^{\circ}$; Sprang *et al.*, 1978).



The ribofuranosyl ring in (I) adopts the C3'-endo (${}^{3}T_{2}$) sugar puckering (N conformation), with the pseudorotation phase angle P = 6.3 (4)° and the maximum amplitude of puckering $\tau_m = 36.5$ (2)° (Rao et al., 1981). This is in contrast with the ribofuranose moiety of compound (III), which exhibits an S-type pucker ($_{1}T^{2}$), with $P = 141.9^{\circ}$ and $\tau_m = -41.9^{\circ}$. The conformation at the C4'-C5' bond in (I) is syn (+sc; gauche, gauche), with a C3'-C4'-C5'-O5' torsion angle of 55.5 (5)°, which is different from the trans conformation usually observed for 8-azapurine and purine nucleosides, such as in (III). In solution, the sugar moiety of (I) is in the N \rightleftharpoons S pseudorotational equilibrium, but it is also slightly biased to the N-conformation (54%), as calculated by the PSEUROT program (Van Wijk & Altona, 1993).



Figure 1

A perspective view of the molecule of (I), showing the atomic numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level and H atoms are represented as small spheres of an arbitrary size.





The crystal packing of (I), viewed down the *a* axis, showing the intermolecular hydrogen-bonded network.

In compound (I), the nucleobase ring and the exocyclic N6 (amino) and C1' (sugar) atoms are nearly coplanar, the r.m.s. deviation of the least-squares plane being 0.0152 Å and the maximum deviation being -0.024 (4) Å for atom N1. Atom C71 of the propynyl group lies above the heterocyclic plane, with a deviation of 0.100 (7) Å. This group is slightly bent, with the C72-C71-C7 bond angle being 173.1 (5)°, and is inclined by nearly 4° to the 8-aza-7-deazapurine moiety. This inclination is larger than that observed in $1-(\beta-D-ara$ binofuranosyl)-5-propynyluracil (3.7°; Cygler et al., 1984), but smaller than that in 7-deaza-7-propynyl-2'-deoxyguanosine, (II), in which we also found that the propynyl group is inclined by about 4.6° (Seela et al., 2004). The triplebond length of (I) is within the usual range (Cygler et al., 1984), indicating that this bond is not in conjugation with the nucleobase.

The nucleoside forms a 1:1 complex with methanol *via* hydrogen bonds (Fig. 2 and Table 2). The nucleobases are aligned head-to-tail, with a plane-to-plane distance of 3.664 Å. This is close to the distance observed for the stacked nucleobases in B-DNA. Some other intermolecular hydrogen bonds are formed in the crystal structure of (I) (Table 2 and Fig. 2). The amino group does not participate in the hydrogenbonding pattern, while a hydrogen bond is formed between the H atom of the methyl group of the propynyl side chain and the O atom of the O5'—H group of the sugar moiety (Table 2 and Fig. 2).

Experimental

Compound (I) was synthesized by treatment of a degassed suspension of 7-iodo-8-aza-7-deazaadenosine (200 mg, 0.5 mmol) and CuI (9.6 mg, 0.05 mmol) in anhydrous dimethylformamide (3 ml) with $Pd(PPh_3)_4$ (29 mg, 0.025 mmol), triethylamine (0.14 ml, 1 mmol) and propyne gas at room temperature overnight. The reaction mixture

was diluted with methanol (50 ml) and dichloromethane (50 ml), and Dowex 1X8 (100-200 mesh, 500 mg, bicarbonate form) was introduced. After stirring for 45 min, the mixture was filtered and the filtrate evaporated. Crystallization from methanol furnished compound (I) (80 mg, 47%, m.p. 463-464 K). R_F (methanoldichloromethane, 1:9): 0.21; ¹H NMR (250 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 2.15 (m, 3H, CH₃), 3.44, 3.54 (2m, 2H, C5'-H), 3.90 (q, 1H, C4'-H, J = 4.74 Hz), 4.19 (q, 1H, C3'-H, J = 4.84 Hz), 4.55 (q, 1H, C2'-H, J = 5.11 Hz), 4.84 (d, 1H, C5'-OH, J = 5.60 Hz), 5.14 (d, 1H, C3'-OH, J = 5.34 Hz), 5.39 (d, 1H, C2'-OH, J = 5.80 Hz), 6.07 (d, 1H, C1'-H, J = 4.59 Hz), 6.73, 7.98 (2br, 2H, NH₂), 8.22 (s, 1H, C2-H); ¹³C NMR (62.5 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 4.40 (C73), 62.3 (C5'), 70.8 (C2'), 71.1 (C72), 73.0 (C3'), 85.2 (C4'), 88.3 (C1'), 93.1 (C71), 100.6 (C5), 127.6 (C7), 154.0 (C6), 156.6 (C2), 157.7 (C4); analysis calculated for C13H15N5O4: C 51.14, H 4.95, N 22.94%; found C 51.15, H 4.88, N 22.80%. For the diffraction experiment, a single crystal was fixed at the top of a Lindemann capillary with epoxy resin.

Crystal data $C_{13}H_{15}N_5O_4$ ·CH₄O Mo $K\alpha$ radiation $M_r = 337.34$ Cell parameters from 65 Orthorhombic, $P2_12_12_1$ reflections a = 7.3269 (11) Å $\theta = 3.7 - 17.1^{\circ}$ $\mu = 0.11 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ b = 10.0790 (16) Å c = 21.813 (3) Å T = 293 (2) K V = 1610.8 (4) Å³ Needle, colourless Z = 4 $0.56 \times 0.20 \times 0.15 \text{ mm}$ $D_x = 1.391 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Data collection Bruker P4 diffractometer $h = -9 \rightarrow 1$ $2\theta/\omega$ scans $k = -12 \rightarrow 1$ 2707 measured reflections $l = -1 \rightarrow 27$ 2032 independent reflections 3 standard reflections 1542 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ every 97 reflections $R_{\rm int} = 0.030$ intensity decay: 5% $\theta_{\rm max} = 27.0^{\circ}$ Refinement

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

N1-C2	1.327 (5)	N8-N9	1.371 (5)
N1-C6	1.349 (6)	O2' - C2'	1.432 (5)
C7-C71	1.445 (6)	C3'-C4'	1.521 (6)
C71-C72	1.175 (6)	C4′-C5′	1.482 (7)
C72-C73	1.479 (6)	O5'-C5'	1.379 (6)
OA' = C1' = N0	110.0(2)	$O_{2}^{2} C_{2}^{2} C_{2}^{2}$	1120(2)
04 - 01 - 109	110.0(3) 107.1(2)	03 - 03 - 02	113.9(3)
04 - C1 - C2	107.1 (3)	C1 - 04 - C4	110.2 (3)
O2' - C2' - C1'	106.6 (3)	O4' - C4' - C3'	104.5 (3)
O2' - C2' - C3'	110.7 (3)	C5' - C4' - C3'	117.0 (4)
O3' - C3' - C4'	110.6 (3)	O5' - C5' - C4'	114.1 (4)
N9-C4-C5-C7	-0.7(5)	N8-N9-C1'-C2'	-45.3(5)
N3-C4-C5-C6	-1.9(7)	O2' - C2' - C3' - O3'	42.7 (4)
C4 - C5 - C7 - C71	-1761(4)	$O_{3'} - C_{3'} - C_{4'} - O_{4'}$	-1541(3)
N8 N0 $C1' O1'$	74.2 (5)	05 05 04 -04	104.1 (0)
110-119-01-04	74.5 (5)		

Table 2Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-\mathrm{H}\cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - H \cdots A$
$O2' - H2' \cdots O10^i$	0.82	2.01	2.764 (4)	153
$O3' - H3' \cdots O2'^i$	0.82	1.97	2.776 (4)	168
$O5' - H5' \cdots N1^{ii}$	0.82	2.25	3.012 (5)	154
O10−H10···N3	0.82	2.10	2.891 (4)	162
$C73 - H73B \cdots O5'^{iii}$	0.96	2.29	3.173 (6)	153

Symmetry codes: (i) $-x + 1, y + \frac{1}{2}, -z + \frac{1}{2}$; (ii) $x + \frac{1}{2}, -y + \frac{3}{2}, -z + 1$; (iii) $x - \frac{1}{2}, -y + \frac{5}{2}, -z + 1$.

In the absence of suitable anomalous scattering, Friedel equivalents could not be used to determine the absolute structure. Therefore, Friedel equivalents were merged before the final refinements. The known configuration of the parent molecule was used to define the enantiomer of the final model. All H atoms were initially found in a difference Fourier synthesis. In order to maximize the data/parameter ratio, the H atoms were placed in geometrically idealized positions (C-H = 0.93–0.98 Å, O-H = 0.82 Å and N-H = 0.86 Å) and constrained to ride on their parent atoms, with $U_{\rm iso}({\rm H}) = 1.2U_{\rm eq}({\rm C},{\rm N})$ and $1.5U_{\rm eq}({\rm O})$.

Data collection: *XSCANS* (Siemens, 1996); cell refinement: *XSCANS*; data reduction: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXTL*; program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXTL*; molecular graphics: *SHELXTL*; software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL* and *PLATON* (Spek, 1999).

Supplementary data for this paper are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: FG1796). Services for accessing these data are described at the back of the journal.

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