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## Cyclohexanecarboxamide

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The title compound,  $C_7H_{13}NO$ , forms  $R_2^2(8) N - H \cdots O$  hydrogen-bonded dimers and C4 N-H···O-linked chains, which are further stabilized by a  $C-H \cdots O$  interaction. The combination of these interactions results in a hydrogenbonded network parallel to (100), with a motif that can be described by the secondary graph set  $R_6^4(16)$ . The existence of the same hydrogen-bonding motif in 1-phenylcyclopentanecarboxamide and 1-(2-bromophenyl)cyclohexanecarboxamide [Lemmerer & Michael (2008). CrystEngComm, 10, 95–102 indicates that replacing the H atom on position 1 with a more bulky group does not necessarily disrupt the observed hydrogen-bonding pattern. The presence of a  $C-H \cdots O$  interaction to stabilize the  $R_6^4(16)$  network does, however, seem to be required. In addition, the title compound is isomorphous with a previously published structure of cyclopentanecarboxamide [Winter et al. (1981). Acta Cryst. B37, 2183-2185].

#### Comment

The hydrogen-bonding capabilities of amides have been extensively researched (Taylor *et al.*, 1984; Leiserowitz & Schmidt, 1969), and they have been exploited directly, or as precursors, in crystal engineering and the pharmaceutical industry (Reddy *et al.*, 2006), to name but a few. In addition, a systematic study of the effect of different 2,6-disubstitution on the structure of phenylamides and their consequent thermal behaviour has been published (Omondi *et al.*, 2005), as well as a similar structural study of a series of slightly more complex 1-arylcycloalkanecarboxamides (Lemmerer & Michael, 2008). In a study of symmetric and asymmetric imides and their polymorphs, the title compound, (I), was synthesized as a precursor for imide synthesis.



Compound (I) crystallizes in the space group C2/c with one molecule in the asymmetric unit (Fig. 1). The molecule adopts

a chair conformation in which the amide group is rotated to be almost perpendicular to the cyclohexyl ring; atom N1 is orientated such that it lies almost eclipsed relative to atom H2, the N1-C1-C2-H2 torsion angle being  $-2.2^{\circ}$ .

The structure of (I) contains two distinctive types of  $N-H\cdots O$  hydrogen bonds. One of these  $[N1-H1A\cdots O1^{ii}]$ ; symmetry code: (ii)  $-x + \frac{1}{2}, -y + \frac{3}{2}, -z + 1$ ; Fig. 2 and Table 1] is a hydrogen bond between two amide molecules to form an  $R_2^2(8)$  dimer (Etter *et al.*, 1990; Bernstein *et al.*, 1995), with the molecules related to each other through a centre of inversion, while the other  $[N1-H1B\cdots O1^{iv}]$ ; symmetry code: (iv) x,  $-y + 1, z + \frac{1}{2}$ ; Fig. 2 and Table 1] is an interaction along the *c* axis to form a *C*4 hydrogen-bonded chain, in which the molecules are related to each other by a *c*-glide plane. This *C*4 chain is further stabilized by a  $C-H\cdots O$  interaction (C2-H2 $\cdots O1^{iv}$ ; Fig. 2 and Table 1). The combination of the two





The molecular structure of (I), showing the atomic numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.



#### Figure 2

The intermolecular N-H···O and C-H···O hydrogen-bonding network (dashed lines) in the structure of (I), where molecules are connected to each other to form dimers and chains. The combination of these results in a hydrogen-bonded sheet running parallel to (100). H atoms not involved in these interactions have been omitted for clarity. [Symmetry codes: (i) x, y, z; (ii)  $-x + \frac{1}{2}, -y + \frac{3}{2}, -z + 1$ ; (iii)  $-x + \frac{1}{2}, y - \frac{1}{2}, -z + \frac{3}{2}$ ; (iv)  $x, -y + 1, z + \frac{1}{2}$ ; (v)  $-x + \frac{1}{2}, y + \frac{1}{2}, -z + \frac{3}{2}$ ; (vi)  $x, -y + 2, z + \frac{1}{2}$ ; (vii) x, y, z + 1; (viii)  $-x + \frac{1}{2}, -y + \frac{3}{2}, -z + 2$ .]

N-H···O interactions results in the hydrogen-bonded dimers being almost perpendicular to each other  $[C1-C2···C2^{iv}-C1^{iv} = -90.99 (16)^{\circ}]$  and in the formation of a hydrogenbonded network parallel to (100) and centred at x = 0.25. The combination of the two hydrogen bonds also results in a motif that can be described by the secondary graph set  $R_6^4(16)$ .

A search of the Cambridge Structural Database (CSD; Version 5.30, November 2008 release; Allen, 2002) led to the discovery of the isomorphous structure of cyclopentanecarboxamide (CSD refcode BARFEF; Winter et al., 1981), which has an identical hydrogen-bonding pattern despite the presence of disorder in the five-membered ring. The  $R_6^4(16)$ motif can also be found in the structures of 1-phenylcyclopentanecarboxamide and 1-(2-bromophenyl)cyclohexanecarboxamide, indicating that replacing atom H2 with a more bulky group does not necessarily disrupt this hydrogen-bond pattern (Lemmerer & Michael, 2008). However, a  $C-H \cdots O$ interaction does seem to be required as it is present in all four structures. In the case of 1-phenylcyclopentanecarboxamide and 1-(2-bromophenyl)cyclohexanecarboxamide, the C-H···O interaction occurs between the amide O atom and one of the ring CH<sub>2</sub> groups.

#### **Experimental**

The title compound was prepared as described by Lumsden (1905). The product was recrystallized from ethanol using a slow evaporation technique at room temperature, giving a 71% yield of colourless plate-like crystals [m.p. 458–460 K (literature value 459–460.5 K; McElvain & Starn, 1955)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, Me<sub>4</sub>Si):  $\delta$  5.69 (1H, *s*, N–H), 5.52 (1H, *s*, N–H), 2.15 (1H, *tt*, *J* = 3.5 and 11.6 Hz, H1), 1.93–1.69 (5H, *m*, H2, H3, H4, H5, H6), 1.48–1.30 (5H, *m*, H2, H3, H4, H5, H6); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, Me<sub>4</sub>Si):  $\delta$  178.7 (C6), 44.8 (C1), 297 (C2, C6), 25.7 (C3, C5), 25.6 (C4); ATR–IR:  $\nu_{max}$  3337 (*m*, *b*, N–H), 3154 (*m*, *b*, N–H), 2927 (*m*, *sh*, C–H), 2851 (*m*, *sh*, C–H), 1635 (*s*, C=O), 1428 (*s*, C–N), 1344 (*w*, *sh*), 1285 (*m*, *sh*), 1230 (*m*, *sh*), 1154 (*m*, *sh*), 666 (*s*) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

#### Crystal data

 $C_7H_{13}NO$   $M_r = 127.18$ Monoclinic, C2/c a = 24.624 (3) Å b = 6.6934 (9) Å c = 9.4030 (13) Å  $\beta = 102.088$  (3)°

Data collection

Bruker APEXII CCD area-detector diffractometer 9664 measured reflections Z = 8 Mo K $\alpha$  radiation  $\mu$  = 0.07 mm<sup>-1</sup> T = 173 K 0.48 × 0.37 × 0.10 mm

V = 1515.4 (3) Å<sup>3</sup>

1828 independent reflections 1440 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$  $R_{int} = 0.068$  Refinement

$$\begin{split} R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] &= 0.056 & 82 \text{ parameters} \\ wR(F^2) &= 0.143 & H\text{-atom parameters constrained} \\ S &= 1.05 & \Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.28 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3} \\ 1828 \text{ reflections} & \Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.16 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3} \end{split}$$

### Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
N1-H1A···O1 <sup>ii</sup>	0.88	2.06	2.9394 (16)	175
$N1 - H1B \cdots O1^{iv}$	0.88	1.99	2.8549 (15)	166
$C2-H2\cdots O1^{iv}$	1.00	2.56	3.4283 (17)	145

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

All H atoms were positioned geometrically and allowed to ride on their parent atoms [C–H = 1.00 (CH) or 0.99 Å (CH<sub>2</sub>), N–H = 0.88 Å (NH<sub>2</sub>) and  $U_{iso}$ (H) = 1.2 $U_{eq}$ (C,N)].

Data collection: *APEX2* (Bruker, 2005); cell refinement: *APEX2*; data reduction: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2005); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *ORTEP-3 for Windows* (Farrugia, 1997) and *SCHAKAL99* (Keller, 1999); software used to prepare material for publication: *WinGX* (Farrugia, 1999) and *PLATON* (Spek, 2009).

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