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## Key indicators

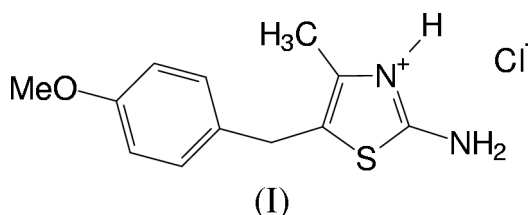
Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 151$  K  
Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003$  Å  
 $R$  factor = 0.050  
 $wR$  factor = 0.136  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 16.6For details of how these key indicators were automatically derived from the article, see <http://journals.iucr.org/e>.

## 2-Amino-5-(4-methoxybenzyl)-4-methyl-1,3-thiazolium chloride

The structure of the title compound,  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{15}\text{ClN}_2\text{OS}$ , (I), comprises a twisted thiazolium base that associates to a free  $\text{Cl}^-$  ion *via*  $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{Cl}$  hydrogen-bonding interactions. The dihedral angle between the two ring systems is  $79.65$  ( $7$ )°.Received 31 October 2000  
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## Experimental

The title compound, (I), was prepared by Spa Contract Synthesis. Crystals of (I) were grown from a dimethylformamide solution.



## Crystal data

 $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{15}\text{ClN}_2\text{OS}$   
 $M_r = 270.77$   
Monoclinic,  $P2_1/n$   
 $a = 7.5746$  (15) Å  
 $b = 11.878$  (2) Å  
 $c = 14.519$  (3) Å  
 $\beta = 100.47$  (3)°  
 $V = 1284.6$  (4) Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 4$  $D_x = 1.400$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>  
Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
Cell parameters from 10172 reflections  
 $\theta = 1.0$ – $27.5$ °  
 $\mu = 0.45$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 150$  (2) K  
Needle, colourless  
 $0.20 \times 0.08 \times 0.06$  mm

## Data collection

Enraf–Nonius KappaCCD area-detector diffractometer  
 $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans  
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SORTAV; Blessing, 1995)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.916$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.974$   
6971 measured reflections  
2796 independent reflections2125 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.073$   
 $\theta_{\max} = 27.5$ °  
 $h = -9 \rightarrow 9$   
 $k = -14 \rightarrow 15$   
 $l = -18 \rightarrow 18$   
Intensity decay: none

## Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.050$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.136$   
 $S = 1.01$   
2796 reflections  
168 parameters  
H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0691P)^2 + 0.1620P]$   
where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.40$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.55$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

**Table 1**  
Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D-H \cdots A$	$D-H$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D-H \cdots A$
N3—H3 $\cdots$ Cl1 <sup>i</sup>	0.84 (3)	2.33 (3)	3.155 (2)	167 (3)
N21—H21 $\cdots$ Cl1 <sup>ii</sup>	0.85 (3)	2.40 (3)	3.162 (2)	150 (2)
N21—H22 $\cdots$ Cl1 <sup>iii</sup>	0.91 (3)	2.30 (3)	3.193 (2)	168 (3)

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

All H atoms were included in the refinement, at calculated positions, as riding models with C—H set to 0.95 (Ar—H), 0.98 (CH<sub>3</sub>) and 0.99 Å (CH<sub>2</sub>), except for the H atoms involved in the hydrogen-bonding interactions which were located on difference syntheses and both positional and displacement parameters refined.

Data collection: *DENZO* (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997) and *COLLECT* (Hooft, 1998); cell refinement: *DENZO* and *COLLECT*; data reduction: *DENZO* and *COLLECT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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