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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study

T = 293 K

Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003 \text{ \AA}$

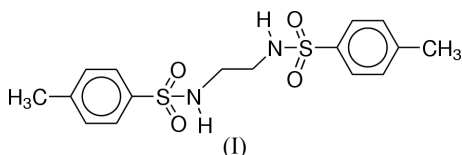
R factor = 0.036

wR factor = 0.110

Data-to-parameter ratio = 15.3

For details of how these key indicators were
automatically derived from the article, see
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.*N,N'*-Ethylenebis(*p*-toluenesulfonamide)The title compound, $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}_2$, crystallizes in a 'partially extended' conformation, with crystallographically imposed centrosymmetry and intermolecular $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$ hydrogen bonding.

Comment

N,N'-Ethylenebis(*p*-toluenesulfonamide), (I), was prepared for use as a starting material in the synthesis of *N*-substituted alkylaminopolycarboxylate compounds, which were sought for development as potential biomedical diagnostics. The molecule crystallizes in a 'partially extended' conformation in which the tosyl group folds back towards the diaminoethane unit. The molecule possesses crystallographically imposed centrosymmetry and is associated in the crystal *via* intermolecular $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$ hydrogen bonds.

Experimental

The title compound was prepared according to the procedure of Vogel (1989) and recrystallized from methanol. Analysis calculated for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}_2$: C 51.9, H 5.4, N, 7.6%; found: C 51.9, H 5.8; N, 7.5%.

Crystal data

 $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}_2$ $M_r = 368.46$ Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$ $a = 5.8070 (12) \text{ \AA}$ $b = 8.0970 (16) \text{ \AA}$ $c = 18.513 (4) \text{ \AA}$ $\beta = 98.35 (3)^\circ$ $V = 861.2 (3) \text{ \AA}^3$ $Z = 2$ $D_x = 1.421 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ $D_m = 1.4 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ D_m measured by flotationMo $K\alpha$ radiation

Cell parameters from 25

reflections

 $\theta = 14.2\text{--}18.7^\circ$ $\mu = 0.33 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ $T = 293 (2) \text{ K}$

Column, colourless

 $0.40 \times 0.36 \times 0.23 \text{ mm}$

Data collection

Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer

 $\theta/2\theta$ scansAbsorption correction: empirical
via ψ scans (North *et al.*, 1968) $T_{\min} = 0.817$, $T_{\max} = 0.829$

3356 measured reflections

1682 independent reflections

1283 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $R_{\text{int}} = 0.025$ $\theta_{\max} = 26.0^\circ$ $h = -7 \rightarrow 7$ $k = 0 \rightarrow 9$ $l = -22 \rightarrow 22$

2 standard reflections

frequency: 120 min

intensity decay: 4.3%

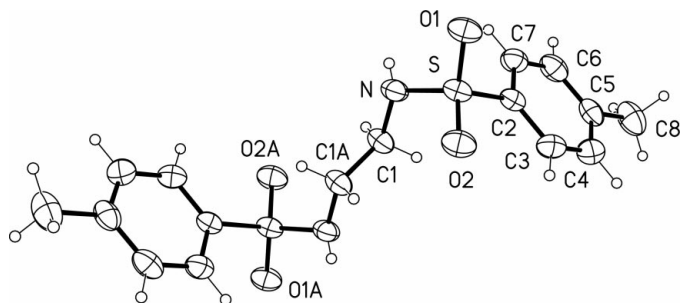


Figure 1

Perspective view of the title molecule. The pairs of atoms C1/C1A, O1/O1A etc are related by the crystallographic inversion centre.

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.036$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.110$
 $S = 1.03$
 1682 reflections
 110 parameters
 H-atom parameters constrained

$$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0683P)^2 + 0.1576P]$$

where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.008$
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.35 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.43 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

Table 1

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (\AA , $^\circ$).

$D-H \cdots A$	$D-H$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D-H \cdots A$
$N-H1N \cdots O1^i$	0.86	2.34	2.971 (2)	131

Symmetry code: (i) $1 - x, 2 - y, -z$.

H atoms were refined with fixed individual displacement parameters [$U(H) = 1.2 U_{eq}(C)$, $U(H) = 1.3 U_{eq}(C_{methyl})$ or $U(H) = 1.2 U_{eq}(N)$] using a riding model with $N-H = 0.86$, $C-H(\text{aromatic}) = 0.93$, $C-H(\text{methylene}) = 0.97$ or $C-H(\text{methyl}) = 0.96 \text{ \AA}$. The methyl group was allowed to rotate about its local threefold axis.

Data collection: *CAD-4 Software* (Enraf-Nonius, 1989); cell refinement: *CAD-4 Software*; data reduction: *XCAD4* (Harms & Wocadlo, 1987); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Bruker, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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