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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 294 K Mean σ (C–C) = 0.003 Å R factor = 0.038 wR factor = 0.090 Data-to-parameter ratio = 12.5

For details of how these key indicators were automatically derived from the article, see http://journals.iucr.org/e. The quinolyl and phenyl rings in the title compound, $C_{18}H_{16}N_2O$, form a dihedral angle of 89.07 (5)°. The amide group is rotated out of the quinoline ring plane, with a dihedral angle of 21.19 (1)°.

(R)-N-(1-Phenylethyl)quinoline-2-carboxamide

Comment

Recently, we have reported the structure of the tridentate ligand N,N'-di-2-naphthylpyridine-2,6-dicarboxamide (Qi *et al.*, 2001). Because of the steric effect, the bulky naphthyl ring will hinder coordination of the ligand to a metal ion, so a new chiral bidentate ligand, (I), containing the quinoline-2-carboxamide moiety was synthesized. It is expected that the N atom of the quinoline ring and the amide N atom will coordinate to a metal ion and form a complex with a five-membered ring structure. The quinolyl and phenyl rings in (I) (Fig. 1) are not coplanar, and form a dihedral angle of 89.07 (5)°. The amide group is rotated out of the quinoline ring plane, forming a dihedral angle of 21.19 (1)°. The title compound could have practical applications as a new chiral ligand (Noyori, 1989).

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Experimental

The title compound was synthesized from 2-quinolinecarboxylic acid and (D)- α -methylbenzylamine according to the general procedure of Johnson *et al.* (1960). Therefore, the absolute configuration of the chiral centre was known in advance as *R*. The crystal used for the data collection was obtained by slow evaporation from a saturated DMF– water (10:1) solution at room temperature.

Crystal data

$C_{18}H_{16}N_2O$	$D_x = 1.270 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$M_r = 276.33$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Monoclinic, $P2_1$	Cell parameters from 2871
a = 5.5955 (11)Å	reflections
b = 10.684(2) Å	$\theta = 1-27.5^{\circ}$
c = 12.224 (2) Å	$\mu = 0.08 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\beta = 98.687 \ (4)^{\circ}$	T = 294 (2) K
$V = 722.4 (2) \text{ Å}^3$	Plate, colourless
Z = 2	$0.28 \times 0.20 \times 0.10 \text{ mm}$

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Data collection

Bruker CCD area-detector	2371 independent reflections
diffractometer	1768 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
φ and ω scans	$R_{int} = 0.023$
Absorption correction: empirical	$\theta_{max} = 27.5^{\circ}$
(<i>SADABS</i> ; Sheldrick, 1996)	$h = -7 \rightarrow 7$
$T_{\min} = 0.978, T_{\max} = 0.992$	$k = -13 \rightarrow 9$
4900 measured reflections	$l = -15 \rightarrow 15$
Refinement	
Refinement on F^2	H-atom parameters constrained
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.038$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.1P)^2]$
$wR(F^2) = 0.090$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 0.96	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$
2371 reflections	$\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.11 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$
190 parameters	$\Lambda\rho_{mix} = -0.12 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$
190 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.12 \text{ e A}^{-1}$

Table 1

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
$N1-H1A\cdots N2$	0.86	2.41	2.754 (2)	104

The C-bound H atoms were placed at geometrically calculated positions and included in the final refinement using the riding-model approximation.

Data collection: SMART (Siemens, 1995); cell refinement: SMART; data reduction: SHELXTL-NT (Siemens, 1995); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: SHELXTL-NT; software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL-NT.



Figure 1 The molecular structure of (I) showing ellipsoids plotted at the 30% probability level (Siemens, 1995).

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