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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 293 KMean $\sigma(C-C) = 0.004 \text{ Å}$ R factor = 0.059 wR factor = 0.132 Data-to-parameter ratio = 15.4

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3,5-Dinitrosalicylic acid-phenazine (1/1)

In the 1:1 molecular complex of 3,5-dinitrosalicylic acid and phenazine, $C_7H_4N_2O_7\cdot C_{12}H_8N_2$, the carboxylic acid group forms an $O-H\cdots N$ hydrogen bond to only one of the two heterocyclic N atoms. The structure is also stabilized extensively by $C-H\cdots O$ hydrogen bonds.

Comment

The carboxylic acid functionality is well known to form molecular complexes with compounds having strong acceptor groups, such as N and O (Palmore *et al.*, 1999). Recently, this concept was invoked in the cocrystallization experiment of simple alkane dicarboxylic acids with phenazine (Batchelor *et al.*, 2000), where both N atoms of the phenazine molecule are involved in $O-H\cdots N$ hydrogen bonds. Here, we have cocrystallized phenazine with 3,5-dinitrosalicylic acid.



The molecular geometry of the title compound, (I), is shown in Fig. 1 (ORTEPII; Johnson, 1976). The carboxylic acid group forms O-H···N hydrogen bonds on one side of the phenazine molecule, while the other N atom was found to be inactive. The emphasis of this crystal structure is on the structural attributes of C-H···O hydrogen bonding (Desiraju & Steiner, 1999). In the crystal structure, each 3,5dinitrosalicylic acid molecule is connected to the phenazine molecule by $C-H\cdots O$ interactions and forms 2₁-screwrelated ribbons parallel to [044] and $[0\overline{4}4]$. These two ribbons are connected by an O-H···N (1.76 Å and 161°) and an auxiliary C-H···O (2.78 Å and 143°) hydrogen bond to make a two-dimensional grid structure. These grids are further connected by C-H···O hydrogen bonds, forming another such grid. The packing diagram of the molecular complex is shown in Fig. 2. The occurrence of $C-H \cdots O$ hydrogen bonds follows from the presence of activated C-H groups in the constituent molecules.

Experimental

Yellow crystals of the 1:1 molecular complex of 3,5-dinitrosalicylic acid and phenazine were obtained when a 2:1 mixture of 3,5-dinitrosalicylic acid and phenazine was kept for crystallization in acetonitrile solvent.

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Figure 1

View of the title molecular complex, with the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids for non-H atoms are drawn at the 50% probability level.



Figure 2

Packing diagram of the molecular complex, showing the C-H···O hydrogen-bonded ribbons elongated parallel to the [044] plane.

Crystal data

| $C_7H_4N_2O_7 \cdot C_{12}H_8N_2$ | $D_{\rm x} = 1.556 {\rm Mg} {\rm m}^{-3}$ | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|--|
| $M_r = 408.33$ | Mo $K\alpha$ radiation | | |
| Monoclinic, $P2_1/a$ | Cell parameters from 25 | | |
| a = 14.8002 (15) Å | reflections | | |
| b = 7.4029 (16) Å | $\theta = 5-12^{\circ}$ | | |
| c = 16.0091 (16) Å | $\mu = 0.12 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ | | |
| $\beta = 96.395 \ (8)^{\circ}$ | T = 293 (2) K | | |
| $V = 1743.1 (5) \text{ Å}^3$ | Rhomb, yellow | | |
| Z = 4 | $0.36 \times 0.34 \times 0.26 \text{ mm}$ | | |

Data collection

| Enraf–Nonius CAD-4 |
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| diffractometer |
| w scans |
| Absorption correction: none |
| 8396 measured reflections |
| 4202 independent reflections |
| 1930 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ |
| $R_{\rm int} = 0.056$ |
| |

Refinement

Refinement on F^2 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.059$ $wR(F^2) = 0.132$ S = 0.924202 reflections 273 parameters

Table 1

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

| $D - H \cdots A$ | D-H | $H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$ |
|-----------------------------|------|-------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|
| $O1-H1A\cdots N3$ | 0.82 | 1.76 | 2.554 (3) | 161 |
| $C10-H10A\cdotsO1^{i}$ | 0.93 | 2.66 | 3.550 (4) | 161 |
| $C11 - H11A \cdots O7^{i}$ | 0.93 | 2.62 | 3.524 (3) | 163 |
| $C13 - H13A \cdots O4^{ii}$ | 0.93 | 2.49 | 3.332 (4) | 151 |
| $C14-H14A\cdots O3^{ii}$ | 0.93 | 2.66 | 3.529 (3) | 155 |
| $C15 - H15A \cdots O2$ | 0.93 | 2.78 | 3.566 (3) | 143 |
| | | | | |

 $\theta_{\rm max} = 28.0^{\circ}$ $h = 0 \rightarrow 19$ $k = -9 \rightarrow 9$ $l = -21 \rightarrow 21$ 3 standard reflections every 150 reflections frequency: 90 min intensity decay: 2%

H-atom parameters constrained $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0573P)^2]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$

 $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.21 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$

 $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.20 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

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

Data collection: CAD-4 Software (Enraf-Nonius, 1989); cell refinement: CAD-4 Software; data reduction: Xtal3.5 (Hall et al., 1995); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: PLUTON (Spek, 2000); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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