

Spiro[3,4-bis(4-chlorophenyl)-4,5-dihydroisoxazole-5,3'-flavan-4'-one]

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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
T = 293 K
Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.004 \text{ \AA}$
R factor = 0.044
wR factor = 0.139
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The title compound, $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{19}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}_3$, crystallizes with two molecules in the asymmetric unit. The pyran ring of the flavanone moiety is puckered due to the saturation of a bond and this causes the ring to adopt a sofa conformation. The spiroisoxazoline rings adopt envelope conformations. The phenyl rings on the isoxazoline ring are perpendicular to each other. The structure is stabilized by intermolecular $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$ and $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$ hydrogen bonds.

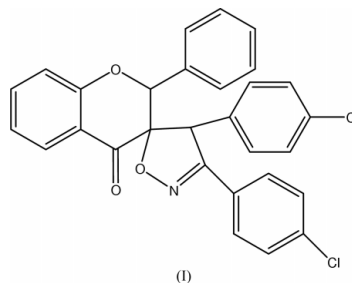
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Comment

Flavanones are widely distributed and they form a part of our human diet, owing to their abundance in edible plants. The importance of these compounds is confirmed by their pharmacological activities. They possess therapeutic properties such as antiviral, antibiotic and antitumour (Cody, 1988). Spiroisoxazolines display interesting biological properties, such as herbicidal, plant-growth regulatory and antitumour activities (Howe & Shelton, 1990; Smietana *et al.*, 1999). To understand the structure and conformation, a crystallographic study of the title compound, (I), was undertaken.



The title compound, $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{19}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}_3$, crystallizes with two molecules in the asymmetric unit. The geometry of the flavanone moiety in (I) agrees with reported values (Tomlin & Cantrell, 1990). As shown in Fig. 1, the pyran ring is planar, with the fused phenyl ring making a dihedral angle of $3.5 (1)^\circ$ in molecule *A* and $3.2 (1)^\circ$ in molecule *B*; these are larger than the reported value (Kendi & Ozbey, 1995). This may be due to the substitution at C5. The mean plane of the benzopyran ring is perpendicular to the isoxazoline ring plane. Conformational parameters (Cremer & Pople, 1975) for the pyran ring are $q_2 = 0.360 (3) \text{ \AA}$, $q_3 = -0.261 (3) \text{ \AA}$, $Q_T = 0.445 (2) \text{ \AA}$ and $\varphi_2 = -91.8 (4)^\circ$ in molecule *A*; $q_2 = 0.341 (3) \text{ \AA}$, $q_3 = -0.260 (2) \text{ \AA}$, $Q_T = 0.428 (2) \text{ \AA}$ and $\varphi_2 = -95.6 (4)^\circ$ in molecule *B*. For the isoxazoline ring, $q_2 = 0.231 (2) \text{ \AA}$ and $\varphi_2 = -41.0 (6)^\circ$ in molecule *A*; $q_2 = 0.211 (2) \text{ \AA}$ and $\varphi_2 = -38.8 (6)^\circ$ in molecule *B*, confirming their envelope conformations. Apart from van der Waals interactions, the packing of the molecules in the crystal structure is stabilized by intermolecular $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$ and $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$ interactions (Table 2).

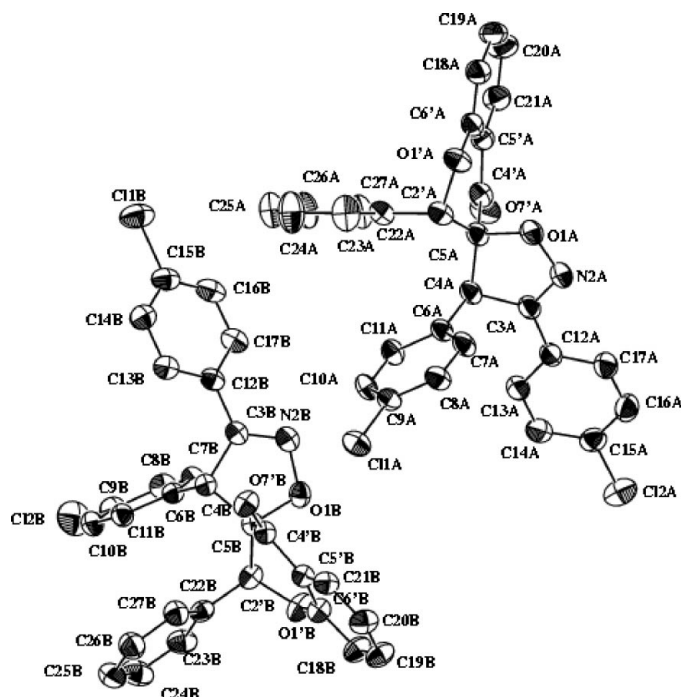


Figure 1
A view of the molecular structure of (I), showing ellipsoids at the 40% probability level. H atoms have been omitted.

Experimental

To a stirred solution of 3-*p*-chlorobenzylidene-4-flavanone (3 mmol) and *N*-(*p*-chlorobenzhydroxyiminoyl chloride (3 mmol) in dry CHCl_3 (5 ml), 3.3 mmol of triethylamine was added. The reaction was monitored by TLC. After completion of the reaction, water was added to remove triethylamine hydrochloride and the resulting solution extracted with CHCl_3 . The extracts were combined and dried using MgSO_4 and the product was purified by column chromatography (hexane/ethylacetate 9:1). The title compound, (I), was recrystallized from ethyl acetate/hexane.

Crystal data

$\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{19}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}_3$
 $M_r = 500.35$
 Triclinic, $P\bar{1}$
 $a = 11.2032$ (10) Å
 $b = 12.349$ (2) Å
 $c = 18.973$ (5) Å
 $\alpha = 108.89$ (1)°
 $\beta = 105.09$ (1)°
 $\gamma = 91.66$ (1)°
 $V = 2379.5$ (8) Å³

$Z = 4$
 $D_x = 1.397$ Mg m⁻³
 Cu $K\alpha$ radiation
 Cell parameters from 25 reflections
 $\theta = 14\text{--}25^\circ$
 $\mu = 2.72$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 293$ (2) K
 Plate, colourless
 $0.30 \times 0.25 \times 0.10$ mm

Data collection

Enraf–Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer
 ω - 2θ scans
 Absorption correction: ψ scan (North *et al.*, 1968)
 $T_{\min} = 0.638$, $T_{\max} = 0.762$
 9478 measured reflections
 9032 independent reflections
 6262 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

$R_{\text{int}} = 0.047$
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 72.0^\circ$
 $h = -13 \rightarrow 13$
 $k = 0 \rightarrow 15$
 $l = -23 \rightarrow 22$
 3 standard reflections every 200 reflections
 frequency: 120 min
 intensity decay: <0.1%

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.044$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.139$
 $S = 1.02$
 9032 reflections
 629 parameters
 H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0735P)^2 + 0.5655P]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.26$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.36$ e Å⁻³
 Extinction correction: *SHELXL97*
 Extinction coefficient: 0.0021 (2)

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

C1A—C9A	1.735 (2)	C11B—C15B	1.730 (3)
C12A—C15A	1.735 (3)	C12B—C9B	1.741 (2)
O1'A—C6'A	1.354 (3)	O1'B—C6'B	1.359 (2)
O1'A—C2'A	1.456 (3)	O1'B—C2'B	1.448 (3)
C2'A—C5A	1.509 (3)	C2'B—C22B	1.506 (3)
C4'A—O7'A	1.218 (3)	C2'B—C5B	1.524 (3)
C4'A—C5A	1.531 (3)	C4'B—O7'B	1.214 (2)
C5'A—C6'A	1.394 (3)	C4'B—C5B	1.533 (3)
O1A—N2A	1.412 (3)	C5'B—C6'B	1.397 (3)
O1A—C5A	1.463 (3)	O1B—C5B	1.465 (3)
N2A—C3A	1.275 (3)	N2B—C3B	1.278 (3)
C3A—C4A	1.508 (3)	C3B—C4B	1.505 (3)
C4A—C5A	1.536 (3)	C4B—C5B	1.535 (3)
C5A—O1A—N2A—C3A	−13.4 (3)	C5B—O1B—N2B—C3B	−13.1 (2)
O1A—N2A—C3A—C4A	−2.3 (3)	O1B—N2B—C3B—C4B	−1.1 (2)
N2A—C3A—C4A—C5A	15.8 (3)	N2B—C3B—C4B—C5B	13.7 (2)
N2A—O1A—C5A—C4A	22.7 (2)	N2B—O1B—C5B—C4B	21.11 (19)
C3A—C4A—C5A—O1A	−21.9 (2)	C3B—C4B—C5B—O1B	−19.88 (18)

Table 2

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D\text{—}H\cdots A$	$D\text{—}H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D\text{—}H\cdots A$
C4A—H4A ⁱ ⋯O7'A	0.98	2.42	2.792 (3)	102
C10A—H10A ⁱ ⋯N2B	0.93	2.67	3.417 (3)	138
C27A—H27A ⁱ ⋯O7'A	0.93	2.75	3.595 (3)	151
C11A—H11A ⁱ ⋯O7'A ⁱ	0.93	2.72	3.570 (3)	152
C4A—H4A ⁱ ⋯O7'A ⁱ	0.98	2.68	3.619 (3)	161
C17A—H17A ⁱ ⋯O1A ⁱⁱ	0.93	2.67	3.550 (3)	158
C4B—H4B ⁱ ⋯O7'B ⁱⁱⁱ	0.98	2.57	3.531 (3)	167

Symmetry codes: (i) $-x, 2 - y, -z$; (ii) $-1 - x, 2 - y, -z$; (iii) $1 - x, 2 - y, 1 - z$.

After checking their presence in a difference map, all H atoms were fixed geometrically and allowed to ride on the parent C atoms and refined isotropically.

Data collection: *CAD-4 Software* (Enraf–Nonius, 1989); cell refinement: *SDP* (Frenz, 1978); data reduction: *XCAD4* (Harms & Wocadlo, 1995); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ZORTEP* (Zsolnai, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *PARST97* (Nardelli, 1995) and *PLATON* (Spek, 1998).

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