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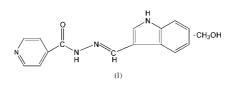
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3-Indolylformaldehyde isonicotinoylhydrazone methanol solvate

The title compound, $C_{15}H_{12}N_4O \cdot CH_4O$, an aroylhydrazone, has been synthesized. The C=O bond length is 1.2302 (18) Å, which suggests that the title compound is in the keto form. The C=N double bond has a length of 1.2789 (19) Å. In the crystal structure, the molecules are stabilized by N-H···N, N-H···O and O-H···O hydrogen bonds. Received 31 March 2003 Accepted 14 April 2003 Online 23 April 2003

Comment

The chemical and pharmacological properties of aroylhydrazones have been investigated extensively, owing to their chelating ability with metal ions and to their potentially beneficial chemical and biological activities, such as magnetic (Bu *et al.*, 2001; Zhang *et al.*, 1996), antitumor, antineoplastic, antibacterial and antimalarial (Liao *et al.*, 2000; Fun *et al.*, 1996; Lu *et al.*, 1996). As part of our studies of the synthesis and characterization of these compounds, we report here the synthesis and crystal structure of 3-indolylformaldehyde isonicotinoylhydrazone methanol solvate, (I).



The C=O bond length is 1.2302 (18) Å, indicating that the molecule is in the keto form. The configuration of the N3-C7 bond is E (Fig. 1). The bonds distances and angles in this structure are normal and the molecule is practically planar. As the distances for C7=N3 and C6=O1 are 1.2789 (19) and 1.2302 (18) Å, respectively, typical for double bonds, this is a novel kind of aroylhydrazone. In the crystal structure, the molecules are stabilized by N-H···N, N-H···O and O-H···O hydrogen bonds (Table 1 and Fig. 2).

Experimental

A solution of 3-indolylformaldehyde (10 mmol) in 50 ml ethanol was added to a solution of isonicotinoyl hydrazine (10 mmol) in 10 ml ethanol. The reaction mixture was refluxed for 4 h with stirring, then the resulting pale yellow precipitate was obtained by filtration, washed several times with ethanol and dried *in vacuo* (yield 90%). Analysis calculated for the title compound ($C_{16}H_{16}N_4O_2$): C 64.86, H 5.41, N 18.92%; found: C 64.66, H 5.40, N 18.88%. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3340 (-OH), 1657 (C=O), 1641 (C=N), 1599. A methanol solution of the title compound was slowly evaporated and pale yellow crystals were obtained after three weeks.

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Crystal data

 $C_{15}H_{12}N_4O \cdot CH_4O$ $M_r = 296.33$ Monoclinic, P_2_1/c a = 10.520 (2) Å b = 14.020 (3) Å c = 11.146 (3) Å $\beta = 115.02$ (1)° V = 1489.7 (6) Å³ Z = 4

Data collection

Bruker SMART Apex CCD diffractometer φ and ω scans Absorption correction: none 7186 measured reflections 2621 independent reflections

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0567P)^2]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.040$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$wR(F^2) = 0.107$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$
S = 0.96	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.14 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
2621 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.15 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
202 parameters	Extinction correction: SHELXL97
H-atom parameters constrained	Extinction coefficient: 0.017 (2)

 $D_x = 1.321 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$

Cell parameters from 694

Mo $K\alpha$ radiation

reflections

 $\theta = 2.5 - 23.6^{\circ}$ $\mu = 0.09 \text{ mm}^{-1}$

T = 293 (2) K

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.048$

 $\theta_{\rm max} = 25.0^\circ$

 $\begin{array}{l} h = -12 \rightarrow 12 \\ k = -16 \rightarrow 12 \end{array}$

 $l = -13 \rightarrow 11$

Plate, pale yellow

 $0.3 \times 0.2 \times 0.2 \text{ mm}$

1836 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

Table 1

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	$D-{\rm H}$	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - H \cdots A$
$N4-H4A\cdots N1^{i}$ $N2-H2D\cdots O2$ $O2-H2E\cdots O1^{ii}$	0.86	2.15	2.9491 (19)	155
	0.86	2.15	2.934 (2)	152
	0.82	1.97	2.7751 (18)	168

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

The positions of all H atoms were fixed geometrically and refined isotropically using a riding model. The bond lengths for C–H are in the range 0.93–0.96 Å, The bond lengths for N–H and O–H are 0.86 and 0.82 Å, respectively.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2000); cell refinement: *SMART*; data reduction: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2000); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXTL* (Bruker, 2000); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXTL*; molecular graphics: *SHELXTL*; software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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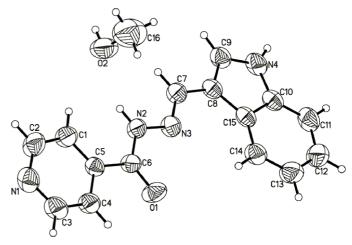


Figure 1

A view of the molecular structure, with labelling of the non-H atoms and 30% probability ellipsoids.

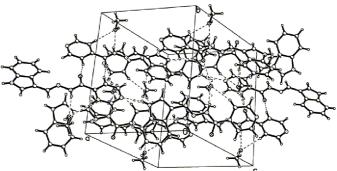


Figure 2

A view of the packing. Hydrogen bonds are indicated by dashed lines.

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