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Single-crystal X-ray study
 $T = 293\text{ K}$
Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003\text{ \AA}$
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 wR factor = 0.101
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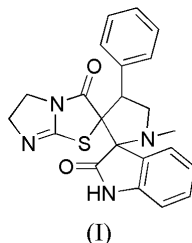
1'-Methyl-5'-phenyl-2'',3'',5'',6''-tetrahydroindoline-3-spiro-3'-pyrrolidine-4'-spiro-2''-imidazo[2,1-*b*]thiazole-2,3''-dione

The title compound, $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_4\text{O}_2\text{S}$, was synthesized by the intermolecular [3 + 2]-cycloaddition of azomethine ylide, derived from isatin and sarcosine by a decarboxylative route, and 2-benzylidene-5,6-dihydro-imidazo[2,1-*b*]thiazol-3-one. In the molecule, the two spiro junctions link a planar 2-oxindoline ring, a pyrrolidine ring in an envelope conformation, and a 5,6-dihydroimidazo[2,1-*b*]thiazol-3(2*H*)-one ring. Two molecules are connected into a dimer by two $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$ hydrogen bonds.

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Comment

Spiro compounds represent an important class of naturally occurring substances characterized by highly pronounced biological properties. (Kobayashi *et al.*, 1991; James *et al.*, 1991). 1,3-Dipolar cycloaddition reactions are important processes for the construction of spiro compounds (Caramella & Grunanger, 1984). In this paper, the structure of the title compound, (I) (Fig. 1), is reported.



Two spiro junctions exist in the molecule, which consists of a 2-oxindoline ring, a pyrrolidine ring and a 5,6-dihydroimidazo[2,1-*b*]thiazol-3(2*H*)-one ring. The pyrrolidine ring ($\text{N}3/\text{C}6/\text{C}5/\text{C}15/\text{C}14$) is not planar, with an envelope conformation. Atoms $\text{C}6/\text{C}5/\text{C}15/\text{C}14$ are almost coplanar, the mean deviation from this plane being $0.038(3)\text{ \AA}$. Atom $\text{N}3$ lies $0.609(3)\text{ \AA}$ above the $\text{C}6/\text{C}5/\text{C}15/\text{C}14$ plane in the pyrrolidine ring, forming the flap of the envelope. The dihedral angle between the $\text{C}6/\text{N}3/\text{C}14$ plane and the $\text{C}6/\text{C}5/\text{C}15/\text{C}14$ mean plane is $44.4(2)^\circ$. The dihedral angle between the phenyl plane ($\text{C}16-\text{C}21$) and the $\text{C}6/\text{C}5/\text{C}15/\text{C}14$ plane is $97.8(2)^\circ$. The 2-oxindoline ring ($\text{C}6-\text{C}13/\text{N}4$) is nearly planar, the mean deviation from this plane being $0.032(3)\text{ \AA}$. The dihedral angle between the 2-oxindoline ring mean plane and the $\text{C}6/\text{C}5/\text{C}15/\text{C}14$ plane is $101.0(2)^\circ$. The dihedral angle between the 5,6-dihydroimidazo[2,1-*b*]thiazol-3(2*H*)-one plane and the $\text{C}6/\text{C}5/\text{C}15/\text{C}14$ plane is $91.7(3)^\circ$.

Two molecules are connected into a dimer by two $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$ hydrogen bonds, with an $\text{N}\cdots\text{N}$ distance of $2.904(2)\text{ \AA}$ and an $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$ angle of 169° .

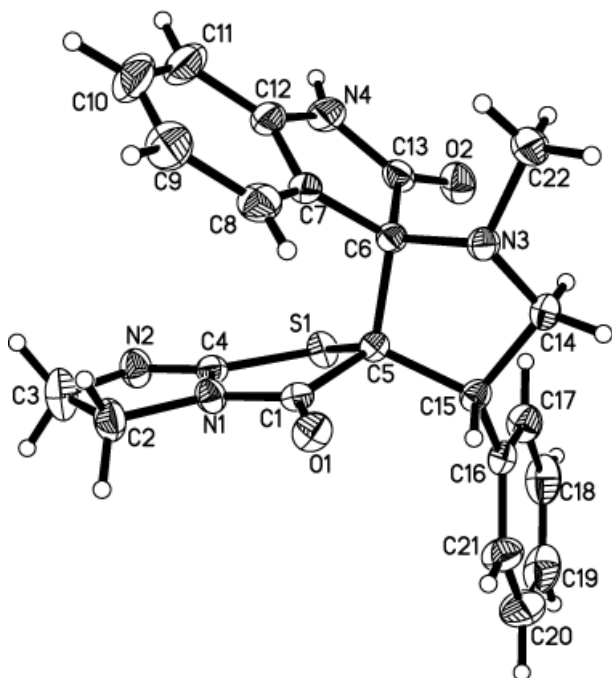


Figure 1
The molecular structure of (I), showing the atom-numbering scheme, drawn with 30% probability ellipsoids.

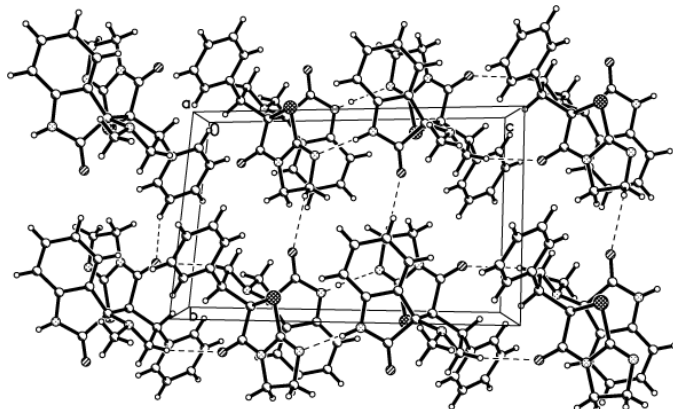


Figure 2
The crystal packing diagram of (I), viewed along the *a* axis

Experimental

A mixture of 2-benzylidene-5,6-dihydroimidazo[2,1-*b*]thiazol-3-one (1 mmol), isatin (1 mmol) and sarcosine (1 mmol) was refluxed in methanol (60 ml) until the starting material had disappeared, as evidenced by thin-layer chromatography. After the reaction was over the solvent was removed *in vacuo* and the residue was separated by column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/ethylacetate = 2:1) to give the title compound, (I). M.p. 519–521 K; IR (KBr): 3352.3

(–NH), 1721.3, 1686.1 (C=O) cm^{-1} ; $^1\text{H NMR}$ (δ , p.p.m.): 1.67 (*s*, 4H, CH_2), 2.27 (*s*, 3H, N- CH_3), 3.29 (*m*, 1H, – CH_2), 3.92 (*m*, 1H, – CH_2), 4.61 (*m*, 1H, –CH), 6.81–7.52 (*m*, 9H, ArH), 7.85 (*bs*, 1H, –NH); 20 mg of (I) was dissolved in 15 ml dioxane; the solution was kept at room temperature for 15 d and natural evaporation afforded colorless single crystals of (I) suitable for X-ray analysis.

Crystal data

$\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_4\text{O}_2\text{S}$
 $M_r = 404.48$
Triclinic, $P\bar{1}$
 $a = 8.538$ (3) Å
 $b = 9.488$ (3) Å
 $c = 14.227$ (5) Å
 $\alpha = 86.206$ (6)°
 $\beta = 73.315$ (6)°
 $\gamma = 64.091$ (5)°
 $V = 990.7$ (6) Å³

$Z = 2$
 $D_x = 1.356$ Mg m^{–3}
Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Cell parameters from 875 reflections
 $\theta = 2.4$ – 26.3 °
 $\mu = 0.19$ mm^{–1}
 $T = 293$ (2) K
Block, colorless
0.26 × 0.24 × 0.20 mm

Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer
 φ and ω scans
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 1997)
 $T_{\min} = 0.938$, $T_{\max} = 0.960$
5754 measured reflections

4015 independent reflections
3129 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.015$
 $\theta_{\max} = 26.4$ °
 $h = -9 \rightarrow 10$
 $k = -11 \rightarrow 11$
 $l = -17 \rightarrow 16$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.041$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.101$
 $S = 1.03$
4015 reflections
263 parameters

H-atom parameters constrained
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.084P)^2]$
where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.28$ e Å^{–3}
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.27$ e Å^{–3}

All H atoms were placed in calculated positions, with C–H distances ranging from 0.93 to 0.98 Å and an N–H distance of 0.86 Å. These atoms were included in the refinement in riding-motion approximation, with $U_{\text{iso}} = 1.2$ (1.5 for methyl) times U_{eq} of the carrier atom.

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 1997); cell refinement: SMART; data reduction: SAINT (Bruker, 1997); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); 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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