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#### Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 293 K Mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.004 Å Disorder in main residue R factor = 0.053 wR factor = 0.137 Data-to-parameter ratio = 15.1

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# Ethyl 4'-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1',7"-dimethyl-2,3"dioxo-5"-phenyl-2,3,2",3",4",5"-tetrahydro-1*H*indole-3-spiro-2'-pyrrolidine-3'-spiro-2"-(thiazolopyrimidine)-6"-carboxylate

In the title compound,  $C_{34}H_{32}N_4O_5S$ , the two spiro junctions link a planar 2-oxindole ring, a pyrrolidine ring in an envelope conformation and a thiazolo[3,2-*a*]pyrimidine ring. Two molecules are connected by N-H···N hydrogen bonds, with an N···N distance of 3.027 (2) Å and an N-H···N angle of 140.2°. Received 7 August 2003 Accepted 26 August 2003 Online 30 August 2003

### Comment

Spiro-compounds represent an important class of naturally occurring substances, which in many cases exhibit important biological properties (Kobayashi *et al.*, 1991; James *et al.*, 1991). 1,3-Dipolar cycloaddition reactions are widely used for the construction of spiro-compounds (Caramella & Grunanger, 1984). In this paper, the structure of the title compound, (I), is reported. The compound was synthesized by the intermolecular [3 + 2]-cycloaddition of azomethine ylide, derived from isatin and sarcosine by a decarboxylative route, and 2-(4-methoxybenzylidene)-7-methyl-3-oxo-5-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-5*H*-thiazolo[3,2-*a*]pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid ethyl ester (Tozkoparan *et al.*, 1999).



The molecular structure of (I) is shown in Fig. 1. There are two spiro junctions in the molecule which consists of a planar 2-oxindole ring, a pyrrolidine ring and a thiazolo[3,2-*a*]-rolidine ring (N3, C18, C17, C1 and C19) has an envelope conformation. Two molecules are connected by  $N-H\cdots N$  hydrogen bonds, with an  $N\cdots N$  distance of 3.027 (2) Å and an  $N-H\cdots N$  angle 140.2°.

#### Experimental

A mixture of 2-(4-methoxybenzylidene)-7-methyl-3-oxo-5-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-5*H*-thiazolo[3,2-*a*]pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid ethyl ester (1 mmol), isatin (1 mmol) and sarcosine (1 mmol) was refluxed in methanol (60 ml) until the disappearance of the starting material, as evidenced by thin-layer chromatography. When the reaction was complete, the solvent was removed *in vacuo* and the residue was separated by column chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate = 5:1), giving the title compound (I) (m.p. 479–481 K); IR (KBr): 3351.4 (–NH), 1743.4, 1723.1, 1688.2 (C=O) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR ( $\delta$ , p.p.m.): 1.03 (*m*, 3H, –CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.17 (*s*, 3H, –CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.23 (*s*, 3H, N–CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.45 (*m*, 1H, –CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.73 (*s*, 3H, –CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.99 (*m*, 1H, –CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.03 (*m*, 2H, –CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.57 (*m*, 1H, –CH), 5.72 (*s*, 1H, –CH),

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The molecular structure of (I), drawn with 30% probability ellipsoids. H atoms have been omitted for clarity. The minor disorder component has primed atom labels.

6.69-7.74 (*m*, 13H, ArH), 7.86 (*bs*, 1H, -NH). 20 mg of (I) were dissolved in 15 ml dioxane; the solution was kept at room temperature for 15 d and natural evaporation gave colorless, single crystals of (I), suitable for X-ray analysis.

#### Crystal data

$C_{34}H_{32}N_4O_5S$	$D_x = 1.332 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$M_r = 608.70$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Monoclinic, $P2_1/n$	Cell parameters from 816
a = 14.990 (6) Å	reflections
b = 11.375(5) Å	$\theta = 2.3 - 25.3^{\circ}$
c = 17.815 (8) Å	$\mu = 0.16 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\beta = 92.254 \ (6)^{\circ}$	T = 293 (2)  K
$V = 3035 (2) \text{ Å}^3$	Block, colorless
Z = 4	$0.38 \times 0.30 \times 0.24 \text{ mm}$
Data collection	
Bruker SMART CCD area-detector	6236 independent reflection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer  $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SADABS*; Bruker, 1997)

 $T_{\min} = 0.905, T_{\max} = 0.960$ 14013 measured reflections

### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.053$   $wR(F^2) = 0.137$  S = 1.006236 reflections 413 parameters 6236 independent reflections 3567 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   $R_{int} = 0.042$   $\theta_{max} = 26.4^{\circ}$  $h = -18 \rightarrow 12$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} k = -14 \rightarrow 6 \\ l = -21 \rightarrow 22 \end{array}$ 

H-atom parameters constrained  $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.084P)^2]$ where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$   $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.34 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$  $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.40 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$ 



## Figure 2

The crystal structure of (I), viewed along the b axis.

#### Table 1

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

 $D-H\cdots A$  D-H  $H\cdots A$   $D\cdots A$   $D-H\cdots A$ 
 $N4-H4\cdots N2^i$  0.86 2.31 3.027 (2)
 140 

 Symmetry code: (i)  $-\frac{1}{2} - x, \frac{1}{2} + y, \frac{1}{2} - z.$  140

H atoms were positioned geometrically and treated in the riding model approximation  $[C-H = 0.93-0.98 \text{ Å} \text{ and } U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)]$ . Atom C6 and the atoms of the attached phenyl ring are disordered over two sites. The ratio of site occupancies from the refinement was 0.64:0.36 (17).

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 1997); cell refinement: *SMART*; data reduction: *SAINT* (Bruker, 1997); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS*97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL*97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Bruker, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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