

# 5-[5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-3-trifluoromethyl-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]-2-sulfamoylbenzyl propionate: a novel 1,5-diraylpyrazole class of COX-2 inhibitor

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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study

$T = 298\text{ K}$

Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003\text{ \AA}$

$R$  factor = 0.058

wR factor = 0.088

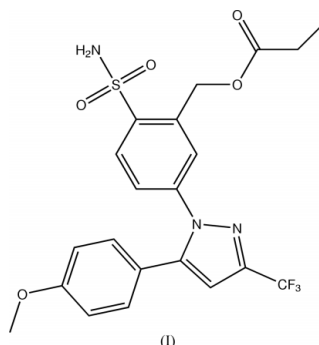
Data-to-parameter ratio = 11.9

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The title compound,  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{20}\text{F}_3\text{N}_3\text{O}_5\text{S}$ , has been made during our research program on COX-2 inhibitors. The molecules are held together by intermolecular hydrogen bonds involving the amide N atom with the unsubstituted N atom of the pyrazole ring and with an O atom of the sulfanamide group, across centers of symmetry.

## Comment

With a view to identifying novel COX-2 inhibitors, we have carried out extensive chemical modification of celecoxib. The title compound, (I), emerged as one of the potent molecules from an SAR (structure–activity relationship) study. The molecular structure of (I) is shown in Fig. 1. The bond lengths and angles are normal (Allen *et al.*, 1987) and the five-membered ring is planar.



Weak intramolecular interactions, particularly  $\text{C}3-\text{H}1\cdots\text{O}3$ ,  $\text{C}6-\text{H}3\cdots\text{O}1$  and  $\text{C}7-\text{H}4\cdots\text{O}2$ , influence the observed conformation of the molecule. In the crystal structure, the molecules are held together by hydrogen-bonding and  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  interactions. Both H atoms of the sulfonamide group are involved in intermolecular hydrogen bonds, connecting molecules across centers of symmetry. The  $\text{N}1-\text{H}20\cdots\text{N}3^{\text{ii}}$  hydrogen bond results in the formation of hydrogen-bonded dimers (all symmetry codes in Table 1). These dimers are linked into a chain along the  $a$  axis by the hydrogen bond  $\text{N}1-\text{H}19\cdots\text{O}1^{\text{i}}$ , which is supported by the weak interaction  $\text{C}20-\text{H}18\cdots\text{O}1^{\text{iv}}$ . The weak interactions  $\text{C}12-\text{H}11\cdots\text{O}4^{\text{iii}}$  and  $\text{C}18-\text{H}14\cdots\text{O}2^{\text{iii}}$  connect molecules along the  $bc$  diagonal.

## Experimental

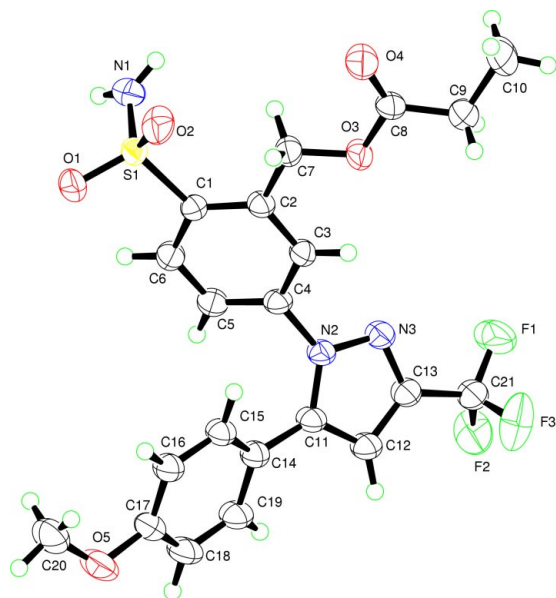
The title compound was synthesized (Singh *et al.*, 2003) by chemo-selective acylation of the intermediate 2-hydroxymethyl-4-[5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-trifluoromethyl-1H-1-pyrazolyl]-1-benzenesulfonamide (Lohray *et al.*, 2000). Crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction analysis were grown from methanol.

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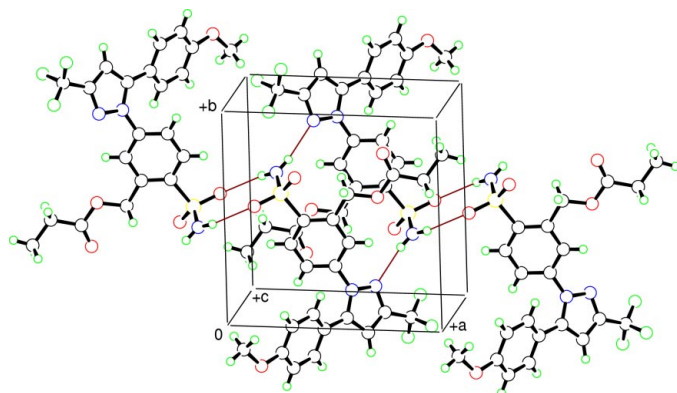
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**Figure 1**  
The structure of (I), showing 50% probability displacement ellipsoids and the atom-numbering scheme.



**Figure 2**  
Packing of the molecules, viewed approximately down the *c* axis. Hydrogen bonds are indicated by thin lines.

#### Crystal data

$C_{21}H_{20}F_3N_3O_5S$   
 $M_r = 483.46$   
Triclinic,  $P\bar{1}$   
 $a = 10.4490$  (8) Å  
 $b = 12.0126$  (8) Å  
 $c = 9.2196$  (9) Å  
 $\alpha = 111.068$  (6)°  
 $\beta = 94.851$  (7)°  
 $\gamma = 86.328$  (6)°  
 $V = 1075.3$  (2) Å<sup>3</sup>

#### Data collection

Rigaku AFC-7S diffractometer  
 $\omega$ - $2\theta$  scans  
Absorption correction:  $\psi$  scan  
(North *et al.*, 1968)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.346$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.461$   
4902 measured reflections  
3926 independent reflections  
3801 reflections with  $F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)$

$Z = 2$   
 $D_x = 1.493$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>  
Cu  $K\alpha$  radiation  
Cell parameters from 25 reflections  
 $\theta = 22.7$ – $24.6$ °  
 $\mu = 1.94$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 298.1$  K  
Block, colorless  
 $0.50 \times 0.50 \times 0.40$  mm

$R_{\text{int}} = 0.051$   
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 68.0$ °  
 $h = -12 \rightarrow 12$   
 $k = -13 \rightarrow 14$   
 $l = -11 \rightarrow 4$   
3 standard reflections  
every 150 reflections  
intensity decay: 2.6%

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F$   
 $R = 0.058$   
 $wR = 0.088$   
 $S = 1.04$   
3854 reflections  
325 parameters  
H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement

Weighting by Chebyshev polynomial with 3 parameters (Carruthers & Watkin, 1979):  
232.809, 288.588, 57.8579  
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.010$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.41$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.35$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
Extinction correction: Larson (1970) (equation 22)  
Extinction coefficient: 416 (22)

**Table 1**

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

<i>D</i> –H... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> –H	H... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> ... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> –H... <i>A</i>
N1–H19...O1 <sup>i</sup>	0.85 (4)	2.25 (4)	3.057 (4)	159 (4)
N1–H20...N3 <sup>ii</sup>	0.85 (4)	2.26 (4)	3.103 (4)	169 (3)
C3–H1...O3	0.95	2.31	2.678 (3)	103
C6–H3...O1	0.95	2.47	2.852 (3)	104
C7–H4...O2	0.95	2.45	2.769 (3)	100
C12–H11...O4 <sup>iii</sup>	0.95	2.52	3.433 (4)	163
C18–H14...O2 <sup>iii</sup>	0.95	2.47	3.379 (3)	160
C20–H18...O1 <sup>iv</sup>	0.95	2.47	3.273 (3)	142

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

H atoms bonded to nitrogen were located in a difference map and were freely refined with individual  $U_{\text{iso}}$  values. Other H atoms were positioned geometrically and refined as riding, with C–H = 0.95 Å and  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ .

Data collection: *MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software* (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1994); cell refinement: *MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software*; data reduction: *CRYSTALS* (Watkin *et al.*, 1996); program(s) used to solve structure: *SIR92* (Altomare *et al.*, 1993); program(s) used to refine structure: *CRYSTALS*; molecular graphics: *CrystalStructure* (Rigaku/MS and Rigaku, 2003); software used to prepare material for publication: *CrystalStructure*.

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