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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 = 0.047 wR factor = 0.119 Data-to-parameter ratio = 13.0

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# 1'-Methyl-4'-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-1*H*indole-3-spiro-2'-pyrrolidine-3'-spiro-5"-(thiazolo[3,2-*b*][1,2,4]triazole)-2,6"(3*H*,5"*H*)-dione

The title compound,  $C_{21}H_{15}Cl_2N_5O_2S$ , was synthesized by the intermolecular [3 + 2]-cycloaddition of the azomethine ylide derived from isatin and sarcosine by a decarboxylative route and 5-(2,4-dichlorobenzylidene)thiazolo[3,2-b][1,2,4]triazol-6-one. In the molecule, the two spiro junctions link a planar 2-oxindole ring, a pyrrolidine ring in an envelope conformation and a thiazolo[3,2-b][1,2,4]triazol-6-one ring. The 2,4-dichlorophenyl group is disordered. Molecules are connected into chains by intermolecular N-H···N hydrogen bonds and weak C-H···O interactions.

## 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 an important process for the construction of spiro-compounds (Caramella & Grunanger, 1984). Here the structure of 1-methyl-spiro[2.3']oxindole-spiro[3.'']thiazolo[3'',2''-b][1'',2'',4'']-azol-6''-one-4-(2,4-dichloro)-phenyl-pyrrolidine, (I), is reported.





#### Figure 1

The molecular structure of (I), drawn with 30% probability ellipsoids. H atoms have been omitted. The minor disordered component is indicated by open bonds.

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4299 independent reflections 2878 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

 $\begin{aligned} R_{\rm int} &= 0.035\\ \theta_{\rm max} &= 26.4^\circ \end{aligned}$ 

 $h = -25 \rightarrow 13$ 

 $k = -7 \rightarrow 7$ 

 $l = -21 \rightarrow 21$ 





Part of the crystal structure of (I), showing molecules connected through unit-cell translations in the **b** direction by N-H···N hydrogen bonding and weak C-H···O interactions, which are indicated by dashed lines [symmetry codes: (i) x, 1 + y, z; (ii) x, y - 1, z].

Compound (I) was synthesized by the intermolecular [3 + 2]-cycloaddition of the azomethine ylide derived from isatin and sarcosine by a decarboxylative route and 5-(2,4-dichlorobenzylidene)thiazolo[3,2-b][1,2,4]triazol-6-one. The molecular structure of (I) is illustrated in Fig. 1. There are two spiro junctions in the molecule, linking a planar 2-oxindole ring, a pyrrolidine ring in an envelope conformation and a thiazolo[3,2-b][1,2,4]triazol-6-one ring. The atoms of the 2,4-dichlorophenyl group are disordered over two sites (see Fig. 1), the ratio of occupancies being 0.542:0.458.

Molecules are connected into chains, through unit-cell translations in the *b* axis direction, by intermolecular N– H···N hydrogen bonds  $[N5 \cdot \cdot \cdot N5^{i} = 3.117 (3) \text{ Å}, H5 \cdot \cdot \cdot N5^{i} = 2.30 \text{ Å} and N5-H5 \cdot \cdot \cdot N5^{i} = 158^{\circ}$ ; symmetry code: (i) *x*, 1 + *y*, *z*] and weak C-H···O interactions  $[C14 \cdot \cdot \cdot O2^{ii} = 3.355 \text{ Å}, H14A \cdot \cdot \cdot O2^{ii} = 2.52 \text{ Å} and C14-H14A \cdot \cdot \cdot O2^{ii} = 144^{\circ}$ ; symmetry code: (ii) *x*, *y* - 1, *z*] (see Fig. 2).

## **Experimental**

A mixture of 5-(2,4-dichlorobenzylidene)thiazolo[3,2-*b*][1,2,4]triazol-6-one (1 mmol), isatin (1 mmol) and sarcosine (1 mmol) were refluxed in methanol (60 ml) until the starting material had disappeared, 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 = 3:1), giving the title compound, (I) (m.p. 495–496 K). IR (KBr): 3215.6 (NH), 1765.0, 1711.0 (C=O) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (p.p.m.): 2.29 (s, 3H, N-CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.64 (m, 1H, -CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.14 (m, 1H, -CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.62 (m, 1H, -CH), 6.77-7.77 (m, 8H, Ar-H), 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 gave colorless single crystals of (I) suitable for X-ray analysis.

#### Crystal data

C21H15Cl2N5O2S  $D_r = 1.485 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  $M_r = 472.34$ Monoclinic,  $P2_1/c$ Cell parameters from 886 a = 20.130 (6) Å reflections b = 6.357 (2) Å $\theta = 3.2 - 26.0^{\circ}$  $\mu = 0.44~\mathrm{mm}^{-1}$ c = 17.394(5) Å  $\beta = 108.369 (5)^{\circ}$ T = 293 (2) KV = 2112.6 (11) Å<sup>3</sup> Block, colorless Z = 4 $0.24 \times 0.20 \times 0.10 \text{ mm}$ 

Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector
diffractometer
$\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans
Absorption correction: multi-scan
(SADABS; Bruker, 1997)
$T_{\min} = 0.825, T_{\max} = 0.960$
11420 measured reflections

#### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	H-atom parameters constrained
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.047$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2 (F_o^2) + (0.084P)^2]$
$wR(F^2) = 0.119$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 1.03	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$
4299 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.26 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
330 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.24 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

H atoms were positioned geometrically (C–H = 0.93–0.98 Å) and refined in the riding-model approximation  $[U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq} \text{ of the} carrier atom or <math>1.5U_{eq}$  for methyl H atoms]. The disordered benzene ring was constrained to have the geometry of a regular hexagon, with C–C bond lengths of 1.39 (1) Å.

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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