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## 1-(3-Amino-1-benzofuran-2-yl)-2-mesitylethanone

The title compound, $\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{NO}_{2}$, features a benzofuran ring system coplanar with an amino substituent and linked to a mesityl group by an acetyl bridge. In the crystal structure, symmetry-related molecules are linked by $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ intermolecular hydrogen bonds involving one amino H atom and the O atom of the acetyl group to form infinite chains. The other amino H atom is involved in an intramolecular hydrogen bond with the acetyl O atom.

## Comment

Benzofuran derivatives possess antimicrobial, bacteriostatic, bactericidal, fungistatic and fungicidal activities (Hassaneen et al., 2002). Moreover, benzofurans are building blocks for optical brighteners and are applied, for example, in combination with benzimidazoles as biphenyl end groups (Schmidt, 1999). Many of the natural benzofurans have physiological, pharmacological and toxic properties and, as a result, there is continuing interest in their chemical synthesis (Kappe et al., 1997).

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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
$T=293 \mathrm{~K}$
Mean $\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.005 \AA$
$R$ factor $=0.054$
$w R$ factor $=0.132$
Data-to-parameter ratio $=11.9$
For details of how these key indicators were automatically derived from the article, see http://journals.iucr.org/e.
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The benzofuran ring system of the title compound, (2), is planar [with a maximum deviation from the plane of 0.101 (3) $\AA$ for C7] and the acetyl group is slightly twisted about the $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 9$ bond, as seen from the torsion angles $\mathrm{O} 1-$ $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 9-\mathrm{O} 2\left[5.7(3)^{\circ}\right]$ and $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 9-\mathrm{C} 10$ [13.2 (3) ${ }^{\circ}$. Because of the amino group, the acetyl group is more twisted about the $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 9$ bond than in a similar compound (Arıcı et al., 2004). The benzofuran ring system is linked to the mesityl group by the acetyl group. The dihedral angle between the benzofuran ring system and the mesityl group is 79.91 (9) ${ }^{\circ}$.

The structure is stabilized by intramolecular and intermolecular hydrogen-bonding interactions. In the crystal structure, molecules related by the $2_{1}$ rotation axis are linked by $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ intermolecular hydrogen bonds involving an amino H atom and the O atom of the acetyl group to form infinite chains along the $b$ axis. The other amino H atom is involved in an intramolecular hydrogen bond with the acetyl O atom. Adjacent chains are interlinked through weak $\mathrm{C}-$ $\mathrm{H} \cdots \pi$ interactions involving the furan ring.

## Experimental

A mixture of 1-chloro-3-mesitylacetone, (1) ( $5 \mathrm{~g}, 23.73 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), 2hydroxybenzaldehyde $(2.85 \mathrm{~g}, 24 \mathrm{mmol})$ and $\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{CO}_{3}(6.55 \mathrm{~g}$, 47.46 mmol ) in absolute acetone was refluxed for 8 h . After cooling, compound (2) ( $6.02 \mathrm{~g}, 89.3 \%$ ) was filtered off, washed with water, dried and recrystallized from tetrahydrofuran.

## Crystal data

$\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{NO}_{2}$
$M_{r}=293.35$
Monoclinic, $P 2_{1} / c$
$a=10.3779$ (12) $\AA$
$b=10.3151$ (11) $\AA$
$c=15.2789$ (13) $\AA$
$\beta=105.116$ (4) ${ }^{\circ}$
$V=1579.0(3) \AA^{3}$
$Z=4$
$D_{x}=1.234 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$
Mo $K \alpha$ radiation
Cell parameters from 25
$\quad$ reflections
$\theta=2.4-24.6^{\circ}$
$\mu=0.08 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$
$T=293(2) \mathrm{K}$
Prism, colourless
$0.25 \times 0.20 \times 0.15 \mathrm{~mm}$

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\begin{aligned}
& R_{\text {int }}=0.046 \\
& \theta_{\max }=24.6^{\circ} \\
& h=-12 \rightarrow 0 \\
& k=-12 \rightarrow 0 \\
& l=-17 \rightarrow 17 \\
& 3 \text { standard reflections } \\
& \quad \text { frequency: } 120 \mathrm{~min} \\
& \quad \text { intensity decay: } 0.7 \%
\end{aligned}
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\begin{aligned}
& w=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{o}{ }^{2}\right)+(0.0639 P)^{2}\right. \\
& +1.0373 P \text { ] } \\
& \text { where } P=\left(F_{o}{ }^{2}+2 F_{c}{ }^{2}\right) / 3 \\
& (\Delta / \sigma)_{\max }<0.001 \\
& \Delta \rho_{\max }=0.24 \mathrm{e}^{-3} \\
& \Delta \rho_{\text {min }}=-0.27 \mathrm{e}^{-3} \\
& \text { Extinction correction: SHELXL97 } \\
& \text { Extinction coefficient: } 0.097 \text { (19) }
\end{aligned}
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Table 1
Selected bond distances ( $(\AA)$.

| $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{O} 1$ | $1.408(4)$ | $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{O} 1$ | $1.373(4)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{N} 1$ | $1.346(4)$ |  |  |

Table 2
Hydrogen-bonding geometry ( $\AA,{ }^{\circ}$ ).

| $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H}$ | $\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{~N} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 A \cdots \mathrm{O} 2$ | 0.86 | 2.37 | $2.927(4)$ | 122 |
| $\mathrm{~N} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 B \cdots \mathrm{O} 2^{\mathrm{i}}$ | 0.86 | 2.43 | $3.076(4)$ | 133 |

Symmetry code: (i) $1-x, y-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}-z$.
All H atoms were positioned geometrically ( $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H}=0.86$ and $\mathrm{C}-$ $\mathrm{H}=0.93-0.97 \AA$ ) and refined as riding, with $U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{H})=1.2 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{N})$.

Data collection: CAD-4 EXPRESS (Enraf-Nonius, 1993); cell refinement: CAD-4 EXPRESS; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: PLATON2000 (Spek, 2000); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.


Figure 1
A view of the title compound with the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the $50 \%$ probability level. H atoms are shown as small circles with arbitrary radii.


Figure 2
A view of the packing in (2), showing the intermolecular and intramolecular interactions.

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