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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
$T=293 \mathrm{~K}$
Mean $\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.004 \AA$
$R$ factor $=0.050$
$w R$ factor $=0.127$
Data-to-parameter ratio $=13.7$

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## 3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-1-phenyl-3-(p-toluene-sulfonylamino)propan-1-one

The title compound, $\mathrm{C}_{23} \mathrm{H}_{23} \mathrm{NO}_{4} \mathrm{~S}$, crystallizes in the space group $P \overline{1}$. The S atom of the sulfonyl group has a distorted tetrahedral geometry. Intermolecular $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ hydrogen bonds are formed between the amino and carbonyl groups of two molecules related by a center of symmetry.

## Comment

$\beta$-Aminoketones are important synthetic intermediates in organic synthesis and are almost always generated by the Mannich reaction (Miura \& Tamaki, 2000; Ranu et al., 2002). In our laboratory, we have recently investigated a new metalmediated reaction for the preparation of $\beta$-aminoketones. A new compound, namely 3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-phenyl-3-( $p$ -toluenesulfonylamino)propan-1-one, (I), has been synthesized by the reaction of $N$-[(4-methoxyphenyl)methylene]-4methylbenzenesulfonamide (Shim \& Yamamoto, 2000) with 2bromoacetophenone in the presence of active zinc powder. An X-ray crystal structure determination of (I) has been carried out and the results are presented here.

(I)

The molecular structure of (I) is illustrated in Fig. 1. The sulfonylphenyl ring $(A)$ and the carbonylphenyl ring $(B)$ are


Figure 1
View of the molecule of (I), showing the atom-labeling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the $35 \%$ probability level. H atoms have been omitted for clarity.

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inclined at an angle of 12.1 (3) ${ }^{\circ}$. Rings $A$ and $B$ make dihedral angles of $97.5(3)^{\circ}$ and $85.8(3)^{\circ}$, respectively, with the methoxyphenyl ring ( $\mathrm{C} 9-\mathrm{C} 14$ ). The S atom has a distorted tetrahedral geometry, with the angles $\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{S} 1-\mathrm{O} 2$ [120.06 (15) $\left.{ }^{\circ}\right]$ and $\mathrm{O} 2-\mathrm{S} 1-\mathrm{N} 1 \quad\left[105.50(13)^{\circ}\right]$ deviating significantly from the regular tetrahedral value. Two molecules related by a center of symmetry are linked by two intermolecular $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ hydrogen bonds (Table 2), resulting in the formation of a dimer.

## Experimental

2-Bromoacetophenone $(1.5 \mathrm{mmol})$ was added to a solution of $N$-[(4-methoxyphenyl)methylene]-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (1.0 mmol ) in dichloromethane $(5.0 \mathrm{ml})$. This mixture was added to a round-bottomed flask, which was filled with zinc powder ( 3.0 mmol ) and a trace amount of iodine. The reaction mixture was refluxed, with stirring, for about 11 h and then quenched with a saturated solution of $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}(5.0 \mathrm{ml})$ and $25 \% \mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{OH}(5.0 \mathrm{ml})$. The mixture was extracted with dichloromethane, washed with brine and dried over magnesium sulfate. After removal of the solvent under reduced pressure, the residue was purified by flash chromatography (ethyl acetate-trichloromethane). A colorless powder was obtained (yield $60 \%$ ) and single crystals suitable for crystallographic analysis were obtained by slow evaporation of an ethyl acetate-petroleum ether solution (m.p. 398-400 K). Spectroscopic analysis, IR (KBr, $v \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ ): 3235, 1675, 1331, 1160; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right.$, p.p.m.): 7.80-6.68 ( $\left.m, 13 \mathrm{H}\right)$, $5.67(\mathrm{br}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.79(m, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.72(s, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.56(d d, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.43(d d, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $2.36(s, 3 H)$. Analysis required for $\mathrm{C}_{23} \mathrm{H}_{23} \mathrm{NO}_{4} \mathrm{~S}: \mathrm{C} 67.48, \mathrm{H} 5.62, \mathrm{~N}$ $3.42 \%$; found: C 67.64, H 5.75, N $3.40 \%$.

## Crystal data

$\mathrm{C}_{23} \mathrm{H}_{23} \mathrm{NO}_{4} \mathrm{~S}$
$M_{r}=409.49$
Triclinic, $P \overline{1}$
$a=9.884$ (3) A
$b=9.924$ (3) $\AA$
$c=11.738(3) \AA$
$\alpha=94.267(5)^{\circ}$
$\beta=91.985(4)^{\circ}$
$\gamma=116.676(4)^{\circ}$
$V=1023.0(5) \AA^{3}$

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Z=2
$$

$D_{x}=1.329 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$
Mo K $\alpha$ radiation
Cell parameters from 991 reflections
$\theta=3.0-26.4^{\circ}$
$\mu=0.19 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$
$T=293$ (2) K
Prism, colorless
$0.26 \times 0.16 \times 0.12 \mathrm{~mm}$

## Data collection

Bruker SMART 1000 CCD areadetector diffractometer
$\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)
$T_{\text {min }}=0.965, T_{\max }=0.978$
5353 measured reflections

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.050$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.127$
$S=1.04$
3607 reflections
264 parameters
H -atom parameters constrained

Table 1
Selected geometric parameters $\left(\AA^{\circ},^{\circ}\right)$.

| S1-O1 | $1.413(2)$ | $\mathrm{O} 3-\mathrm{C} 17$ | $1.215(3)$ |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | ---: |
| $\mathrm{S} 1-\mathrm{O} 2$ | $1.430(2)$ | $\mathrm{O} 4-\mathrm{C} 12$ | $1.363(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{S} 1-\mathrm{N} 1$ | $1.611(2)$ | $\mathrm{O} 4-\mathrm{C} 15$ | $1.415(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{S} 1-\mathrm{C} 1$ | $1.758(3)$ | $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 8$ | $1.467(3)$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| O1-S1-O2 | $120.06(15)$ | $\mathrm{O} 2-\mathrm{S} 1-\mathrm{C} 1$ | $107.40(13)$ |
| O1-S1-N1 | $107.86(12)$ | $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{S} 1-\mathrm{C} 1$ | $107.75(12)$ |
| O2-S1-N1 | $105.50(13)$ | $\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{S} 1$ | $122.13(18)$ |
| O1-S1-C1 | $107.74(14)$ |  |  |
| O1-S1-N1-C8 | $-39.4(2)$ | $\mathrm{S} 1-\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{C} 16$ | $-79.2(3)$ |
| O2-S1-N1-C8 | $-168.84(19)$ | $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{C} 16-\mathrm{C} 17$ | $-50.6(3)$ |
| C1-S1-N1-C8 | $76.7(2)$ | $\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{C} 16-\mathrm{C} 17-\mathrm{O} 3$ | $-18.0(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{S} 1-\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{C} 9$ | $148.75(18)$ | $\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{C} 16-\mathrm{C} 17-\mathrm{C} 18$ | $159.4(2)$ |

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

| $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H}$ | $\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{~N} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 \cdots \mathrm{O}^{3}{ }^{\mathrm{i}}$ | 0.86 | 2.30 | $3.019(3)$ | 141 |

Symmetry code: (i) $1-x,-y,-z$.

All H atoms were positioned geometrically and refined as riding $(\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H}=0.86 \AA$ and $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}=0.93-0.98 \AA)$. For $\mathrm{NH}, \mathrm{CH}$ and $\mathrm{CH}_{2}$ groups, $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})$ values were set equal to $1.2 U_{\text {eq }}$ (carrier atom) and for the methyl groups they were set equal to $1.5 U_{\text {eq }}$ (carrier atom).

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: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: SHELXTL (Bruker, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL.

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