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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
 $T = 293$ K
Mean $\sigma(C-C) = 0.004$ Å
 R factor = 0.050
 wR factor = 0.124
Data-to-parameter ratio = 16.2

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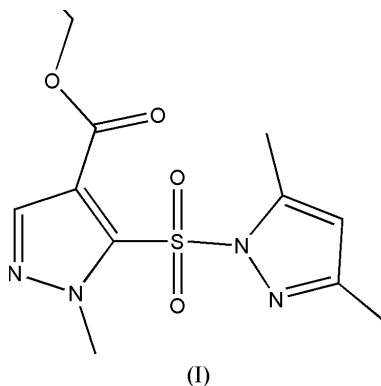
Ethyl 5-(3,5-dimethyl-1*H*-pyrazol-1-ylsulfonyl)- 1-methyl-1*H*-pyrazole-4-carboxylate

The title compound, $C_{12}H_{16}N_4O_4S$, is composed of two substituted pyrazole rings, which are connected through a sulfone group. The dihedral angle between the two pyrazole rings is $79.1(1)^\circ$. The ethoxycarbonyl substituent is planar and is slightly twisted away from the attached pyrazole ring.

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Comment

Many pyrazolesulfonylureas are excellent herbicides (Okajima *et al.*, 1992; Suzuki, 1994; Yamamoto, 1994). Mostly, they are one of the inhibitors of acetolactate synthase (ALS) (Hidharm, 1991; Schloss *et al.*, 1998; Abell *et al.*, 1995). Triazinylsulfonyl and triazolylsulfonylpyrazoles also show good herbicidal activities (Ishikawa, 1993, 1994). They are composed of two heterocycles and a urea bridge. We have designed and synthesized a series of pyrazolylsulfonylpyrazoles to find some lead compounds with good biological activity. In the process of synthesis, we obtained the title compound, (I).



In (I), the dihedral angle between the two pyrazole rings which are linked through the sulfone group is $79.1(1)^\circ$ (Fig. 1). The ethoxycarbonyl substituent at atom C7 is nearly planar, with the r.m.s deviation of fitted atoms being 0.042 Å; the dihedral angle between this plane and the N3-pyrazole plane is $14.7(2)^\circ$. The crystal structure is stabilized by van der Waals forces.

Experimental

The title compound was prepared by refluxing 4-ethoxycarbonyl-1-methylpyrazole-5-sulfonohydrazide (2 mmol, 0.49 g) and pentane-2,4-dione (2 mmol, 0.20 g) in tetrahydrofuran (20 ml) for about 8 h. After cooling, the mixture was evaporated on a rotary evaporator to remove the tetrahydrofuran and crystallized from a mixture of $CHCl_3/n-C_6H_{14}$ (1:3).

Crystal data

$C_{12}H_{16}N_4O_4S$
 $M_r = 312.35$
 Monoclinic, $P2_1/n$
 $a = 7.604$ (3) Å
 $b = 12.868$ (5) Å
 $c = 15.732$ (6) Å
 $\beta = 93.765$ (7)°
 $V = 1536.0$ (10) Å³
 $Z = 4$

$D_x = 1.351$ Mg m⁻³
 Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 Cell parameters from 1024 reflections
 $\theta = 2.6$ – 23.9 °
 $\mu = 0.23$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 293$ (2) K
 Prism, colourless
 $0.40 \times 0.30 \times 0.25$ mm

Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer
 φ and ω scans
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)
 $T_{\min} = 0.800$, $T_{\max} = 0.944$
 8642 measured reflections

3156 independent reflections
 1929 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.050$
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 26.4$ °
 $h = -9 \rightarrow 9$
 $k = -16 \rightarrow 13$
 $l = -19 \rightarrow 14$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.050$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.124$
 $S = 1.01$
 3156 reflections
 195 parameters
 H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0594P)^2 + 0.0685P]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.22$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.25$ e Å⁻³
 Extinction correction: SHELXL97
 Extinction coefficient: 0.116 (5)

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

S1–O1	1.4135 (19)	N3–C6	1.353 (3)
S1–O2	1.4171 (18)	N3–C9	1.469 (3)
S1–N1	1.658 (2)	N4–C8	1.323 (3)
S1–C6	1.753 (2)	C1–C2	1.351 (4)
O3–C10	1.195 (3)	C1–C4	1.487 (4)
O4–C10	1.332 (3)	C2–C3	1.402 (4)
O4–C11	1.453 (3)	C3–C5	1.500 (5)
N1–C1	1.378 (3)	C6–C7	1.385 (3)
N1–N2	1.382 (3)	C7–C8	1.392 (3)
N2–C3	1.314 (3)	C7–C10	1.474 (3)
N3–N4	1.347 (3)	C11–C12	1.477 (5)
O1–S1–O2	120.17 (11)	N1–C1–C4	124.6 (3)
O1–S1–N1	107.25 (11)	C1–C2–C3	108.5 (3)
O2–S1–N1	108.14 (11)	N2–C3–C2	110.9 (3)
O1–S1–C6	109.90 (11)	N2–C3–C5	119.2 (3)
O2–S1–C6	107.74 (11)	C2–C3–C5	130.0 (3)
N1–S1–C6	102.16 (10)	N3–C6–C7	107.3 (2)
C10–O4–C11	116.5 (2)	N3–C6–S1	122.59 (18)
C1–N1–N2	112.8 (2)	C7–C6–S1	129.90 (18)
C1–N1–S1	132.5 (2)	C6–C7–C8	104.0 (2)
N2–N1–S1	114.45 (15)	C6–C7–C10	129.6 (2)
C3–N2–N1	104.0 (2)	C8–C7–C10	126.2 (2)
N4–N3–C6	111.2 (2)	N4–C8–C7	112.1 (2)
N4–N3–C9	117.5 (2)	O3–C10–O4	124.4 (3)
C6–N3–C9	131.2 (2)	O3–C10–C7	125.8 (3)
C8–N4–N3	105.4 (2)	O4–C10–C7	109.7 (2)
C2–C1–N1	103.8 (3)	O4–C11–C12	108.1 (3)
C2–C1–C4	131.6 (3)		

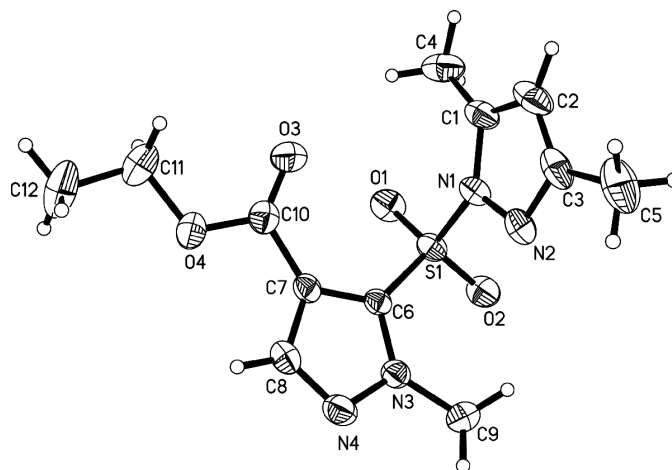


Figure 1

Displacement ellipsoid (40% probability) plot of (I), showing the atom-numbering scheme.

H atoms were placed in calculated positions, with C–H distances in the range 0.93–0.97 Å, and refined using a riding model, with $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2$ or 1.5 (methyl) times $U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$.

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 1998); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 1999); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: SHELXTL (Bruker, 1999); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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