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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
$T=173 \mathrm{~K}$
Mean $\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.004 \AA$
$R$ factor $=0.048$
$w R$ factor $=0.123$
Data-to-parameter ratio $=13.7$
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## 3-(p-Nitrobenzyl)-1,3-thiazolidine-2,4-dione

The title compound, $\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{8} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{4} \mathrm{~S}$, serves as a starting material for the synthesis of antihyperglycemic pharmaceuticals. The nearly planar thiazolidine-2,4-dione ring is almost perpendicular to the nitrophenyl ring.

## Comment

Thiazolidine-2,4-dione is used as a starting material for the synthesis of drugs with antihyperglycemic activity (Zask et al., 1990). In heterocyclic chemistry, the thiazolidine-2,4-dione class is particularly important as a therapeutic agent and has been thoroughly investigated as a PPAR- $\gamma$-agonist that led to the development of several insulin-sensitizing drugs for the treatment of type-2 diabetes (Blanchet \& Zhu, 2004). Diverse biological activities have been found to be associated with thiazolidine derivatives (Singh et al., 1981). The present communication reports the synthesis of a novel thiazolidine-2,4-dione derivative, (I), and describes its crystal structure.

(I)

A perspective view of (I) is shown in Fig. 1. Bond lengths and angles can be regarded as normal (Cambridge Structural Database, Version 1.6 plus three updates; $M O G U L$ Version 1.0; Allen, 2002). The thiazolidine-2,4-dione ring is essentially planar (r.m.s. deviation $0.013 \AA$ ). It is almost perpendicular [89.67 (6) ${ }^{\circ}$ ] to the benzene ring. The nitro group is twisted by only $3.4(6)^{\circ}$ out of the plane of the benzene ring.

## Experimental

An equimolar mixture of thiazolidine-2,4-dione ( $1.17 \mathrm{~g}, 10 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), 1-bromomethyl-4-nitrobenzene $(2.16 \mathrm{~g}, 10 \mathrm{mmol})$ and anhydrous $\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{CO}_{3}(1.38 \mathrm{~g}, 10 \mathrm{mmol})$ was stirred at room temperature in dimethylformamide ( 10 ml ) for 6 h . The product formed was crystallized from methanol.

## Crystal data

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\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{8} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{4} \mathrm{~S} \\
& M_{r}=252.24 \\
& \text { Orthorhombic, } P c a 2_{1} \\
& a=24.321(3) \AA \\
& b=5.0468(5) \AA \\
& c=8.6066(8) \AA \\
& V=1056.40(19) \AA^{3} \\
& Z=4 \\
& D_{x}=1.586 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{~m}^{-3}
\end{aligned}
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## Data collection

Stoe IPDS-II two-circle diffractometer

## $\omega$ scans

Absorption correction: none
10054 measured reflections
2109 independent reflections

1895 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$
$R_{\text {int }}=0.057$
$\theta_{\text {max }}=26.2^{\circ}$
$h=-30 \rightarrow 30$
$k=-5 \rightarrow 6$
$l=-10 \rightarrow 10$

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.048$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.124$
$S=1.02$
2109 reflections
154 parameters
H-atom parameters constrained

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\begin{aligned}
& w=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{o}^{2}\right)+(0.0798 P)^{2}\right] \\
& \text { where } P=\left(F_{o}^{2}+2 F_{c}^{2}\right) / 3 \\
& (\Delta / \sigma)_{\max }<0.001 \\
& \Delta \rho_{\max }=0.42 \mathrm{e} \AA^{-3} \\
& \Delta \rho_{\min }=-0.31 \mathrm{e} \AA^{-3} \\
& \text { Absolute structure: Flack }(1983), \\
& \quad 971 \text { Friedel pairs } \\
& \text { Flack parameter }=0.03(11)
\end{aligned}
$$

Table 1
Selected bond lengths ( $\AA$ ).

| $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 5$ | $1.373(4)$ | $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{S} 3$ | $1.742(3)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 2$ | $1.383(3)$ | $\mathrm{S} 3-\mathrm{C} 4$ | $1.807(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 6$ | $1.469(3)$ | $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{C} 5$ | $1.556(3)$ |

H atoms were geometrically positioned and refined with fixed individual displacement parameters $\left[U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=1.2 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{C})\right.$ ] using a riding model, with $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}=0.99$ and $0.95 \AA$ for methylene and aromatic CH groups, respectively.

Data collection: X-AREA (Stoe \& Cie, 2001); cell refinement: $X-A R E A$; data reduction: $X-A R E A$; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine


Figure 1
Perspective view of the title compound, with the atom numbering. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the $50 \%$ probability level.
structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: PLATON (Spek, 2003); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97 and PLATON.

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