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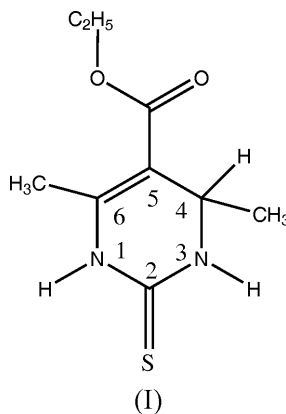
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Ethyl 4,6-dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyrimidine-5-carboxylate

The title compound, C₉H₁₄N₂O₂S, belongs to a group of esters of 2-oxo- and 2-thioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyrimidine-5-carboxylic acids, which exhibit a wide spectrum of biological activities. The conformation of the pyrimidine ring is a distorted boat. In the crystal structure, hydrogen-bonded centrosymmetric dimers are formed *via* intermolecular N—H···S hydrogen bonds. The dimers are linked by intermolecular N—H···O hydrogen bonds to form a two-dimensional network.

Comment

The title compound, (I), is one of the group of esters of 2-oxo- and 2-thioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyrimidine-5-carboxylic acids, which are known as ‘Biginelli compounds’ (Kappe, 1997). Some of these compounds have been observed to be orally active antihypertensive agents, mitotic kinesin Eg5 motor protein inhibitors, and *a1a* adrenoceptor-selective antagonists, *etc.* (Atwal *et al.*, 1991; Grover *et al.*, 1995; Haggarty *et al.*, 2000; Kappe, 2000; Kappe *et al.*, 1997; Nagarathnam *et al.*, 1999; Rovnyak *et al.*, 1995). The conformation of the pyrimidine ring is usually considered (Kappe *et al.*, 1997; Gurskaya *et al.*, 2003*a,b*) to establish a correlation between the biological activity and the stereochemistry of molecules in a series of 1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyrimidin-2-ones and their 2-thioxo analogues.



In the structure of (I), illustrated in Fig. 1, the deviations of atoms N1 and C4 from the C2/N3/C5/C6 plane are 0.093 (1) and 0.270 (1) Å, respectively, generating the distorted boat conformation for the ring. Pairs of intermolecular N3—H3···Sⁱⁱ hydrogen bonds (see Table 1 and Fig. 2) link molecules of (I) through a centre of symmetry, forming dimers linked by intermolecular N1—H1···O1ⁱ hydrogen bonds to form a two-dimensional network.

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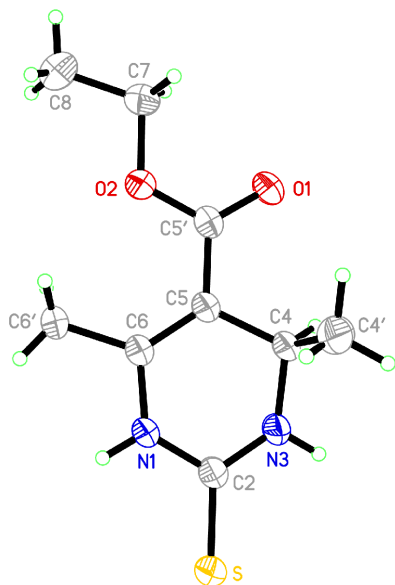


Figure 1

The molecular structure of (I), showing the atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.

Experimental

The title compound, (I), was prepared according to a general method of synthesis for 5-functionally substituted 1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyrimidin-2-(thi)ones (Shutalev & Kuksa, 1997; Shutalev *et al.*, 1998). *N*-(1-Tosylethyl)thiourea was reacted with ethyl acetoacetate in the presence of potassium hydroxide in ethanol, followed by TsOH-catalyzed dehydration of the resulting ethyl 4-hydroxy-4,6-dimethyl-2-thioxohexahydropyrimidine-5-carboxylate, without isolation of the latter. Crystals suitable for X-ray structure analysis were prepared by slow evaporation of a saturated solution of (I) in ethanol.

Crystal data

$C_9H_{14}N_2O_2S$
 $M_r = 214.28$
 Triclinic, $P\bar{1}$
 $a = 7.296$ (1) Å
 $b = 8.014$ (2) Å
 $c = 10.208$ (2) Å
 $\alpha = 86.97$ (2)°
 $\beta = 70.53$ (2)°
 $\gamma = 73.04$ (2)°
 $V = 537.61$ (19) Å³

$Z = 2$
 $D_x = 1.324$ Mg m⁻³
 Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 Cell parameters from 24 reflections
 $\theta = 11.8$ – 12.5 °
 $\mu = 0.28$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 292$ (2) K
 Prism, colourless
 $0.32 \times 0.22 \times 0.16$ mm

Data collection

Enraf–Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer
 $\omega/2\theta$ scans
 Absorption correction: none
 2338 measured reflections
 2094 independent reflections
 1612 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{int} = 0.018$

$\theta_{max} = 26.0$ °
 $h = 0 \rightarrow 8$
 $k = -9 \rightarrow 9$
 $l = -11 \rightarrow 12$
 3 standard reflections
 frequency: 60 min
 intensity decay: 0.3%

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.030$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.095$
 $S = 1.12$
 2094 reflections
 141 parameters
 Only H-atom displacement parameters refined

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0655P)^2 + 0.0018P]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.25$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.16$ e Å⁻³
 Extinction correction: none

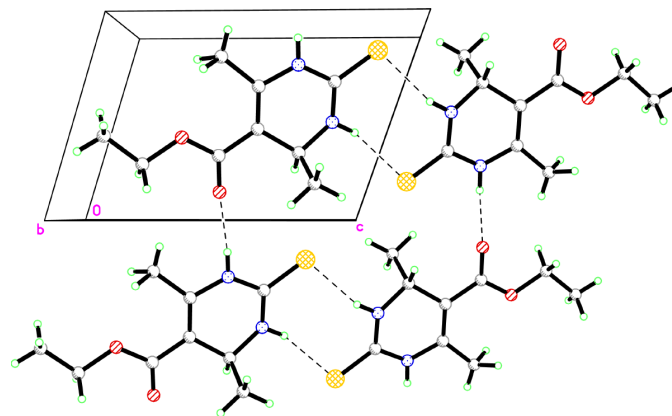


Figure 2

A view of the crystal packing in (I), showing the hydrogen bonding as dashed lines (see Table 1 for details).

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
$N1-H1\cdots O1^i$	0.86	2.11	2.9674 (15)	170
$N3-H3\cdots S^{ii}$	0.92	2.47	3.3485 (14)	161

Symmetry codes: (i) $x - 1, y, z$; (ii) $-x + 1, -y + 2, -z$.

All H atoms were located in difference Fourier syntheses. They were refined with a riding model ($N-H = 0.86$ and 0.92 Å, and $C-H = 0.89$ – 1.00 Å), with individual isotropic displacement parameters.

Data collection: *CAD-4/PC* (Enraf–Nonius, 1993); cell refinement: *CAD-4/PC*; data reduction: *CAD-4/PC*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997a); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 1997b); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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