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#### **Key indicators**

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# Hydrogen-bonding patterns in 2-amino-4,6dimethylpyrimidine\_cinnamic acid (1/2)

In the title compound,  $C_6H_9N_3 \cdot 2C_9H_8O_2$ , an aminopyrimidine-cinnamic acid 1:2 cocrystal, the 2-amino-4,6dimethylpyrimidine molecule forms two eight-membered hydrogen-bonded rings  $[R_2^2(8) \text{ motif}]$  with the carboxylic acid groups from two independent cinnamic acid molecules *via* N –  $H \cdots O$  and  $O - H \cdots N$  hydrogen bonds. The cinnamic acid molecules are linked by  $C - H \cdots O$  hydrogen bonds to form chains along two axes. Received 17 October 2005 Accepted 14 November 2005 Online 23 November 2005

## Comment

Cinnamic acid derivatives are important building blocks in crystal engineering (Desiraju, 1989). Hydrogen bonding plays a key role in molecular recognition (Goswami & Ghosh, 1997) and crystal engineering research (Goswami et al., 1998). The design of a highly specific solid-state structure is of considerable significance in organic chemistry due to important applications in the development of new optical, magnetic and electronic systems (Lehn, 1990). 2-Aminopyrimidine forms 1:1 adducts with different mono- and dicarboxylic acids (Etter & Adsmond, 1990) rather than individual self-assembly (Scheinbeim & Schempp, 1976). The adducts of carboxylic acids with 2-aminoheterocyclic ring systems form a graph-set motif of  $R_2^2(8)$  (Lynch & Jones, 2004). Pyrimidine and aminopyrimidine derivatives are biologically important compounds as they occur in nature as components of nucleic acids. Some aminopyrimidine derivatives are used as antifolate drugs (Hunt et al., 1980; Baker & Santi, 1965).



The crystal structures of aminopyrimidine derivatives (Schwalbe & Williams, 1982), aminopyrimidine carboxylates (Hu *et al.*, 2002) and co-crystal structures (Chinnakali *et al.*, 1999) have been reported. The crystal structures of 2-amino-4,6-dimethylpyrimidinium bromide 2-amino-4,6-dimethyl-

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An ORTEPII (Johnson, 1976) diagram of the asymmetric unit of (I), showing 50% probability displacement ellipsoids. The hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines.



Figure 2

A view of the hydrogen bonding patterns in (I). H atoms not involved in hydrogen bonding have been omitted for clarity.

pyrimidine monohydrate (Panneerselvam *et al.*, 2004), 2amino-4,6-dimethylpyrimidinium hydrogen sulfate (Hemamalini *et al.*, 2005) and bis(2,4-diamino-6-oxopyrimidinium) sulfate monohydrate (Muthiah *et al.*, 2004) have been recently reported from our laboratory. Most of the supramolecular crystals originate from strong  $N-H\cdots O$  and  $O-H\cdots N$ hydrogen bonds, and weak  $C-H\cdots O$  bonds are known to play a significant role in determining the molecular packing of organic solids (Taylor & Kennard, 1982). In this paper, the hydrogen-bonding patterns in the 2-amino-4,6-dimethylpyrimidine–cinnamic acid (1/2) cocrystal, (I), are discussed.

An ORTEPII (Johnson, 1976) view of (I) is shown in Fig. 1, and selected bond distances and angles are given in Table 1. The asymmetric unit contains one 2-amino-4,6-dimethylpyrimidine (AMPY) molecule and two cinnamic acid molecules (A and B). The acid molecules A and B make dihedral angles with the planar pyrimidine ring of 2.23 (10) and  $26.75 (10)^{\circ}$ , respectively. Within the asymmetric unit, atoms O3B, O2A and the 2-amino group (NH<sub>2</sub>) act as hydrogenbond donors to atoms N1, N3, O1A and O4B. The AMPY molecule is linked to the pair of cinnamic acid molecules by N-H···O and O-H···N intermolecular hydrogen bonds, to form two symmetry-independent eight-membered rings, each of which has the graph-set motif of  $R_2^2(8)$  (Etter, 1990; Bernstein et al., 1995). These units are further connected via a C- $H \cdots O$  hydrogen bond involving the acid molecule A as shown in Fig. 2 and Table 2. This type of pairing has been observed in the crystal structures of 2-aminopyrimidine-fumaric acid (Goswami, Mahapatra, Ghosh et al., 1999 or Goswami, Mahapatra, Nigam et al., 1999), 2-aminopyrimidine-(+)camphoric acid (Goswami et al., 2000), 2-aminopyrimidine-



## Figure 3

C–H···O interactions observed in cinnamic acid molecules A and B [symmetry code: (ii)  $1 - x, y, \frac{3}{2} - z$ ].



## Figure 4

A view of the supramolecular chain observed for molecule A [symmetry code: (i)  $\frac{1}{2} - x$ ,  $\frac{1}{2} + y$ , z.

succinic acid (Etter *et al.*, 1990) and 2-aminopyrimidineterephthalic acid (Goswami, Mahapatra, Ghosh *et al.*, 1999 or Goswami, Mahapatra, Nigam *et al.*, 1999). The two crystallographically independent cinnamic acid molecules are connected *via*  $C-H\cdots O$  hydrogen bonds, leading to the formation of a hydrogen-bonded supramolecular chain parallel to the *b* axis (Fig. 3). Symmetry-related cinnamic acid *A* molecules are linked to one another through a  $C-H\cdots O$ interaction to form a chain extending in the *c* direction (Fig. 4).  $\pi-\pi$  interactions between the aromatic rings are also observed. The N1/N3/C2/C4-C6 pyrimidine ring of AMPY has stacking interactions with the benzene rings (C12A - C17A)and C12B-C17B) of both cinnamic acid molecules. The perpendicular separations are 3.402 and 3.648 Å, respectively, and the centroid-to-centroid distances are 3.7908 (16) and 3.9211 (15) Å, respectively. The slip angles (the angle between the centroid vector and the normal to the plane) are 26.3 and 22.2°, respectively. These values are typical for aromatic  $\pi - \pi$ stacking interactions (Hunter, 1994).

## **Experimental**

A hot methanol solution of 2-amino-4,6-dimethylpyrimidine (31 mg, from Aldrich) and cinnamic acid (37 mg, from LOBA Chemie, India) were mixed in a 1:1 molar ratio and warmed for half an hour over a water bath. On slow evaporation, plate-like crystals of (I) were obtained.

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation

reflections

 $\theta = 10.3 - 13.1^{\circ}$ 

 $\mu=0.09~\mathrm{mm}^{-1}$ 

T = 293 (2) K

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.071$ 

 $\theta_{\rm max}=25.0^\circ$ 

 $h = -38 \rightarrow 1$ 

 $k = -1 \rightarrow 10$ 

 $l = -18 \rightarrow 1$ 

1 standard reflection

every 100 reflections

intensity decay: none

Block, colourless

 $0.3 \times 0.2 \times 0.15 \text{ mm}$ 

Cell parameters from 25

### Crystal data

 $C_6H_9N_3 \cdot 2C_9H_8O_2$  $M_r = 419.47$ Orthorhombic, Pbcn a = 32.045 (2) Å b = 8.7676 (7) Å c = 15.9796 (10) Å V = 4489.6 (5) Å<sup>3</sup> Z = 8 $D_x = 1.241 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Data collection Enraf-Nonius MACH3 singlecrystal diffractometer  $\omega/2\theta$  scans Absorption correction:  $\psi$  scan (North et al., 1968)  $T_{\min} = 0.970, \ T_{\max} = 0.982$ 5035 measured reflections 3956 independent reflections

2330 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

#### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_0^2) + (0.0666P)^2]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.048$	+ 1.8369P]
$wR(F^2) = 0.158$	where $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 1.03	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$
3956 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.21 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
305 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.18 \text{ e} \text{ \AA}^{-3}$
Only H-atom displacement para-	
meters refined	

## Table 1

Selected	geometric	parameters	(A, °	).
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O1A-C9A	1.201 (4)	N1-C2	1.349 (3)
O2A-C9A	1.326 (3)	N2-C2	1.333 (3)
O3B-C9B	1.316 (3)	N3-C2	1.346 (3)
O4B - C9B	1.209 (4)	N3-C4	1.338 (3)
N1-C6	1.338 (3)		
C2-N1-C6	117.5 (2)	N1-C2-N2	117.3 (2)
C2-N3-C4	117.2 (2)	N1-C2-N3	124.7 (2)
O1A-C9A-C10A	122.1 (3)	N2-C2-N3	118.0 (2)
O2A-C9A-C10A	114.7 (2)	N3-C4-C5	121.0 (2)
O1A-C9A-O2A	123.2 (3)	N3-C4-C7	116.6 (2)
O3B-C9B-O4B	123.5 (3)	N1-C6-C5	120.4 (2)
O3B-C9B-C10B	114.0 (2)	N1-C6-C8	116.8 (2)
O4B-C9B-C10B	122.5 (3)		

## Table 2

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	$D-{\rm H}$	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
$N2-H1\cdotsO1A$	0.86	2.08	2.928 (3)	171
$N2-H2\cdots O4B$	0.86	2.11	2.966 (3)	170
$O2A - H2A \cdot \cdot \cdot N3$	0.82	1.88	2.694 (3)	170
$O3B - H3B \cdot \cdot \cdot N1$	0.82	1.86	2.670 (3)	168
$C11A - H11A \cdots O1A^{i}$	0.93	2.56	3.349 (4)	143
$C16B - H16B \cdots O1A^{ii}$	0.93	2.55	3.230 (4)	130

Symmetry codes: (i)  $-x + \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $y + \frac{1}{2}$ , z; (ii) -x + 1,  $y, -z + \frac{3}{2}$ .

The H atoms were included in calculated positions and refined using a riding model, with C-H, O-H and N-H distances of 0.93-0.96, 0.82 and 0.86 Å, respectively, and freely refined  $U_{iso}(H)$ .

Data collection: CAD-4 EXPRESS (Enraf-Nonius, 1994); cell refinement: CAD-4 EXPRESS; data reduction: XCAD4 (Harms & Wocadlo, 1995); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: PLATON (Spek, 2003); software used to prepare material for publication: PLATON.

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