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#### Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 294$  K  
Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003$  Å  
Disorder in main residue  
 $R$  factor = 0.045  
 $wR$  factor = 0.122  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 14.9

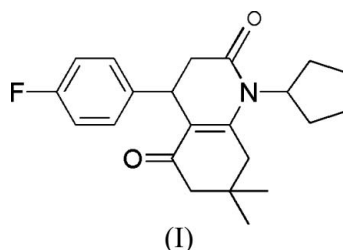
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# 1-Cyclopentyl-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-7,7-dimethyl-4,6,7,8-tetrahydroquinoline-2,5-dione

The title compound,  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{26}\text{FNO}_2$ , was synthesized by the reaction of 4-fluorobenzaldehyde, Meldrum's acid, dimedone and cyclopentylamine hydrochloride, together with sodium acetate, in ethanol under microwave irradiation. The pyridone ring adopts a screw-boat conformation and the cyclohexenone ring an envelope conformation.

#### Comment

Since the discovery of the pharmacological effects of 1,4-dihydropyridines (1,4-DHPs) as calcium channel blockers (Janis *et al.*, 1987), a great deal of work has been directed towards the synthesis of novel 1,4-DHPs as possible calcium antagonists (Bossert & Vater, 1989). In fact, it is well established that slightly modified structures of DHP exhibit a calcium agent effect (Schramm *et al.*, 1983). We have reported the synthesis of substituted 2,5-dioxo-1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8-octahydroquinolines (Tu *et al.*, 2001), and recently we achieved the introduction of a cyclopentyl group on the N atom. We report here the X-ray crystal structure of the title compound, 1-cyclopentyl-7,7-dimethyl-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-4,6,7,8-tetrahydroquinoline-2,5-dione, (I).



In (I), the pyridone ring has a screw-boat conformation (Fig.1), with atoms C16 and C17 deviating from the C7/C8/C9/N1 basal plane by 0.87 (3) and 0.47 (3) Å, respectively. The cyclohexenone ring has an envelope conformation, with atom C3 deviating from the C1/C2/C6/C7/C8 plane by 0.65 (3) Å. The dihedral angle between the benzene ring and the basal plane of the pyridone ring is 113.29 (7)°.

#### Experimental

The title compound, (I), was prepared by the reaction of 4-fluorobenzaldehyde (1 mmol), Meldrum's acid (1 mmol), dimedone (1 mmol) and cyclopentylamine hydrochloride (1.5 mmol), in the presence of sodium acetate (1.5 mmol), in ethanol under microwave irradiation (yield 92%). Single crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction were obtained by slow evaporation of an ethanol (95%) solution (m.p. 405–406 K)

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## Crystal data

$C_{22}H_{26}FNO_2$   
 $M_r = 355.44$   
 Monoclinic,  $P2_1/n$   
 $a = 10.3031$  (16) Å  
 $b = 10.7991$  (17) Å  
 $c = 17.207$  (3) Å  
 $\beta = 101.942$  (3)°  
 $V = 1873.1$  (5) Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 4$

$D_x = 1.260$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>  
 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 Cell parameters from 2854 reflections  
 $\theta = 2.2$ – $25.5$ °  
 $\mu = 0.09$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 294$  (2) K  
 Prism, colorless  
 $0.28 \times 0.26 \times 0.24$  mm

## Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD-1000 area-detector diffractometer  
 $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.972$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.979$   
 10342 measured reflections

3825 independent reflections  
 2433 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.030$   
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 26.4$ °  
 $h = -12 \rightarrow 8$   
 $k = -13 \rightarrow 13$   
 $l = -18 \rightarrow 21$

## Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.045$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.122$   
 $S = 1.01$   
 3825 reflections  
 256 parameters  
 H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0531P)^2 + 0.3765P]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.14$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.23$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

H atoms were positioned geometrically and refined as riding, with C–H = 0.93–0.98 Å and with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.5U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$  for methyl H atoms and  $1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$  for other H atoms. In the cyclopentane ring the two central methylene groups, C20, C21 and their attached H atoms, are disordered over two positions, with refined site occupancy factors of 0.590 (13) and 0.410 (13). Likewise, the H atoms attached to C19 and C22 are disordered, with the same occupancy factors. C–C bond lengths in the cyclopentane ring have been restrained to 1.52 (1) Å; 1–3 distances have been restrained to 2.5 (1) Å. Atom C21' was restrained to approximate isotropic behaviour.

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: SHELXTL.

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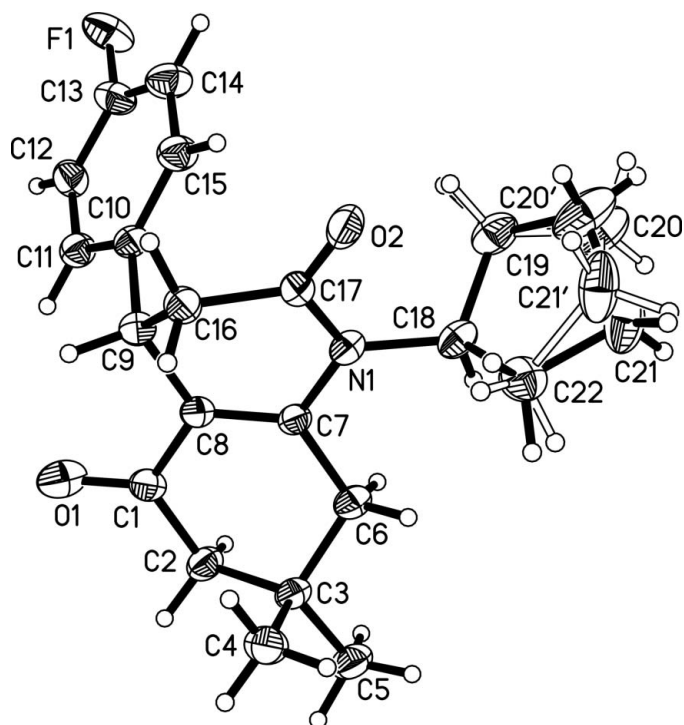


Figure 1

A view of the molecular structure of (I), showing 30% probability displacement ellipsoids. Both components are shown for the disordered methylene groups C20 and C21.

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