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#### **Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 299 KMean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.011 \text{ Å}$  R factor = 0.045 wR factor = 0.103 Data-to-parameter ratio = 16.0

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## There are two independent molecules in the asymmetric unit of the title compound, $C_{13}H_8Br_2N_2O_2S_2$ . Intermolecular C— H···O hydrogen bonds are observed, linking each non-planar molecule to a symmetry-equivalent molecule.

4,5-Dibromo-N-(8-quinolyl)thiophene-2-sulfonamide

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## Comment

Zinc fluorophores have recently been attracting much interest in biological and environmental applications. Following carbonic anhydrase-based biosensors with fluorescent aromatic sulfonamides, a chemosensor, Zinquin, is now extensively used to study the role of intracellular  $Zn^{2+}$  in cellular biology (Kimura & Koike, 1998). Our interest in such metal chelators as potential agents for neuroprotection in Alzheimer's disease (Zheng *et al.*, 2005) led to the X-ray study of the title compound, (I).





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The asymmetric unit of (I), showing the atom labelling and with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level.

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The quinoline ring system of each of the two independent molecules in the asymmetric unit (Fig. 1) is nearly planar. The torsion angles C1-N1-S1-C10 and C14-N3-S3-C23 are 59.7 (6) and 60.3 (7)°, respectively. Molecules of the title compound are linked by intermolecular  $C-H\cdots$ O hydrogen bonds to form a chain, as shown in Fig. 2 and detailed in Table 1. The contributions of the two inversion twin components refined to 0.23 (1) and 0.77 (1).

## Experimental

The title compound, (I), was prepared according to the literature procedure of Xue *et al.* (2000). Suitable crystals were obtained by recrystallization from methanol–dichloromethane (1:1 v/v).

## Crystal data

$C_{13}H_8Br_2N_2O_2S_2$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation		
$M_r = 448.15$	Cell parameters from 2740		
Orthorhombic, Pna2 <sub>1</sub>	reflections		
a = 28.318 (2) Å	$\theta = 2.8 - 18.0^{\circ}$		
b = 7.0471 (5) Å	$\mu = 5.66 \text{ mm}^{-1}$		
c = 15.094 (1) Å	T = 299 (2) K		
V = 3012.2 (4) Å <sup>3</sup>	Rod, pink		
Z = 8	$0.28 \times 0.10 \times 0.08 \text{ mm}$		
$D_x = 1.976 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$			
Data collection			
Oxford Diffraction Xcalibur	20485 measured reflections		
diffractometer with Sapphire	6068 independent reflections		
CCD detector	3494 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$		
$\omega$ and $\varphi$ scans	$R_{\rm int} = 0.063$		
Absorption correction: analytical	$\theta_{\rm max} = 26.4^{\circ}$		
(CrysAlis RED; Oxford	$h = -35 \rightarrow 34$		
Diffraction, 2004)	$k = -5 \rightarrow 8$		
$T_{\min} = 0.344, \ T_{\max} = 0.760$	$l = -18 \rightarrow 18$		
Refinement			
Refinement on $F^2$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_0^2) + (0.0499P)^2]$		
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.045$	where $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$		
$wR(F^2) = 0.103$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.022$		
S = 0.88	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.69 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$		
6068 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.54 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$		
380 parameters	Absolute structure: Flack (1983)		
H-atom parameters constrained	Flack parameter: 0.23 (1), with 2891		

### Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
C6-H6···O1 <sup>i</sup>	0.93	2.51	3.215 (9)	133
C20−H20···O3 <sup>ii</sup>	0.93	2.60	3.253 (10)	127
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Friedel pairs

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





The molecular packing of (I), with hydrogen bonds shown as dashed lines.

H atoms were positioned with idealized geometry using a riding model (C-H = 0.93 Å and N-H = 0.86 Å) and were refined with isotropic displacement parameters (set to 1.2 times  $U_{eq}$  of the parent atom).

Data collection: *CrysAlis CCD* (Oxford Diffraction, 2003); cell refinement: *CrysAlis RED* (Oxford Diffraction, 2004); data reduction: *CrysAlis RED*; 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: *SHELXL97*.

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