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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 294 K Mean σ (C–C) = 0.004 Å Disorder in main residue R factor = 0.046 wR factor = 0.131 Data-to-parameter ratio = 15.2

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3-Ethoxycarbonyl-1-phenyl-1*H*-pyrazol-5-yl 4-chlorobenzoate

In the title compound, $C_{19}H_{15}ClN_2O_4$, the molecules are held together by π - π stacking interactions. The ethyl group was found to be disordered.

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Comment

3-Substituted pyrazole derivatives have active biological properties (Vasilev *et al.*, 1981; Kim *et al.*, 1989; Hwang & Kim, 1994; Liu & Li, 2004). Recently, various new pyrazole derivatives have been prepared and their crystal structures reported by our group (Li, Li *et al.*, 2005; Li, Duan *et al.*, 2005; Guo *et al.*, 2005; Duan *et al.*, 2005). As a continuation of our project, the title compound, (I), was obtained *via* 4-chlorobenzoylation of commercially available ethyl 5-oxo-1-phenyl-2,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrazole-3-carboxylate.



The molecular structure of (I) is illustrated in Fig. 1. The dihedral angle between the pyrazole and phenyl rings is $31.19 (15)^{\circ}$, that between the pyrazole and chlorophenyl rings is $74.32 (15)^{\circ}$.

In the crystal structure (Fig. 2), $\pi - \pi$ stacking interactions are observed. There is a weak $\pi - \pi$ interaction between the phenyl ring at (x, y, z) and that at $(-x, \frac{1}{2} + y, \frac{1}{2} - z)$, with a centroid–centroid separation of 5.543 (2) Å. There is a strong



Figure 1

The molecular structure of (I), with the atom-numbering scheme and displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 30% probability level. Only the major component of the disordered ethyl group is shown.

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 π - π interaction between the chlorophenyl ring at (x, y, z) and that at (1 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z), with centroid-centroid and interplanar separations of 3.918 (18) and 3.491 Å, respectively.

Experimental

The title compound was obtained, according to the method of Li, Li *et al.* (2005) as colorless blocks (yield 84.0%, m.p. 394.5–395.7 K). Single crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction were grown from a solution of ethyl acetate/*n*-hexane (1:1 v/v).

 $D_{\rm r} = 1.363 {\rm Mg} {\rm m}^{-3}$

Cell parameters from 1480

3700 independent reflections 1603 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

Mo $K\alpha$ radiation

reflections

 $\theta = 2.6-20.3^{\circ}$ $\mu = 0.24 \text{ mm}^{-1}$

T = 294 (2) K

 $\begin{aligned} R_{\text{int}} &= 0.053\\ \theta_{\text{max}} &= 26.4^{\circ}\\ h &= -16 \rightarrow 16\\ k &= -7 \rightarrow 3\\ l &= -28 \rightarrow 27 \end{aligned}$

Block, colorless $0.20 \times 0.12 \times 0.10 \text{ mm}$

Crystal data

 $\begin{array}{l} C_{19}H_{15}\text{CIN}_{2}\text{O}_{4} \\ M_{r} = 370.78 \\ \text{Monoclinic, } P2_{1}/c \\ a = 13.426 \ (3) \ \text{\AA} \\ b = 5.9078 \ (11) \ \text{\AA} \\ c = 23.142 \ (4) \ \text{\AA} \\ \beta = 100.051 \ (3)^{\circ} \\ V = 1807.4 \ (6) \ \text{\AA}^{3} \\ Z = 4 \end{array}$

Data collection

| Bruker SMART 1000 CCD area- |
|--------------------------------------|
| detector diffractometer |
| φ and ω scans |
| Absorption correction: multi-scan |
| (SADABS; Bruker, 1997) |
| $T_{\min} = 0.954, T_{\max} = 0.977$ |
| 9758 measured reflections |

Refinement

| Refinement on F^2 | $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_0^2) + (0.0536P)^2]$ |
|---------------------------------|--|
| $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.046$ | where $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ |
| $wR(F^2) = 0.131$ | $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$ |
| S = 0.97 | $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.21 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ |
| 3700 reflections | $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.17 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ |
| 243 parameters | Extinction correction: SHELXL97 |
| H-atom parameters constrained | Extinction coefficient: 0.0025 (8) |
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H atoms were positioned geometrically and constrained to ride on their parent atoms $[C-H = 0.93 \text{ Å for } Csp^2-H \text{ and } 0.97 \text{ Å for } CH_2$ groups, with $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$, and C-H = 0.96 Å for methylgroups, with $U_{iso}(H) = 1.5U_{eq}(C)$]. The ethyl group was found to be disordered over two sites. The site-occupancy factors refined to 0.538 (18) and 0.462 (18).

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 1997); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 1997); 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, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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Figure 2

A packing diagram for (I). The molecules are held together by π - π stacking interactions. Only the major component of the disordered ethyl group is shown.

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