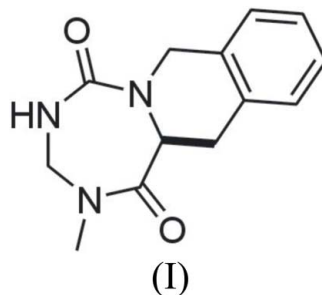


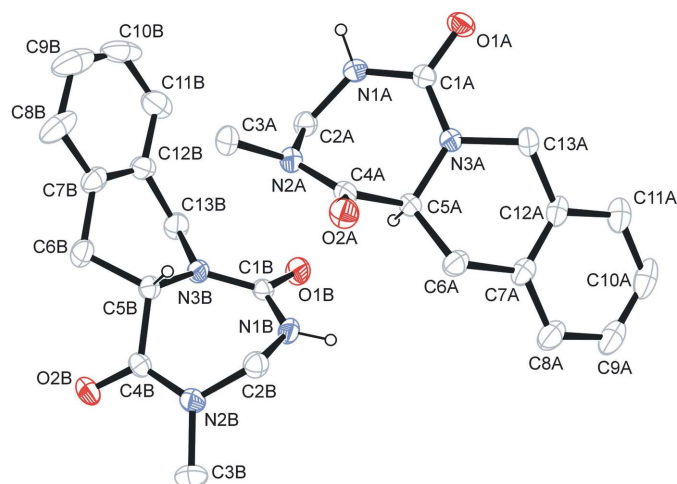
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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study  
*T* = 293 K  
Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.004 \text{ \AA}$   
*R* factor = 0.045  
*wR* factor = 0.117  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 9.6For details of how these key indicators were automatically derived from the article, see <http://journals.iucr.org/e>.10-Methyl-8,9,10,11,11a,12-hexahydro-5*H*,7*H*-isoquinolino[3,2-*g*][1,3,5]triazepine-7,11-dioneIn the title compound,  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2$ , the triazepane ring adopts a twist-boat conformation and the piperidine ring adopts a boat conformation. The molecular packing is stabilized by  $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$ ,  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$ ,  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\pi$  and van der Waals interactions.Received 5 December 2005  
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## Comment

We recently developed a method of parallel solution-phase synthesis and presented the first biological applications of a small pilot library of structurally diverse 1,3,5-triazepane-2,6-diones, a novel dipeptide-derived skeleton (Lena *et al.*, 2006). Our interest in designing and evaluating the 1,3,5-triazepane-2,6-dione scaffold stemmed from the remarkable biological activities exhibited by molecules with diazepine and triazepine skeletons, including seven-membered cyclic ureas. Here, we present the X-ray crystal structure of the tricyclic title compound, cyclo(L-TicgSar-CO), (I), prepared from Boc-TicSar-OH in only four steps with an overall yield of 45% [Tic is 1,2,3,4-L-tetrahydroisoquinoline-3-carboxylic acid, Sar is sarcosine and g = gem, refers to the 2-alkyl gem-diamino derivative of the corresponding amino acid according to the nomenclature proposed by Chorev & Goodman (1993)].Compound (I) crystallizes in the orthorhombic space group  $P2_12_12_1$  with two molecules in the asymmetric unit (Fig. 1). Molecule *A* refers to atoms labelled C1A–C13A and molecule *B* refers to atoms labelled C1B–C13B. All bond distances and angles fall in normal ranges (Allen *et al.*, 1987) and are in agreement with the geometry of similar 1,3,5-triazepane-2,6-diones (Lena *et al.*, 2006). The *S* configuration of the C atom at the 2-position of the seven-membered ring was assumed from the precursor Boc-L-Tic OH compound.The most obvious difference between the independent molecules is the planarity of the amide N atom: the distance of atom N2A from the plane defined by atoms C2A, C3A and C4A is 0.159 (3) Å in molecule *A*, and the corresponding distance in molecule *B* is 0.031 (3) Å. This difference is probably due to the crystal packing, which affords different



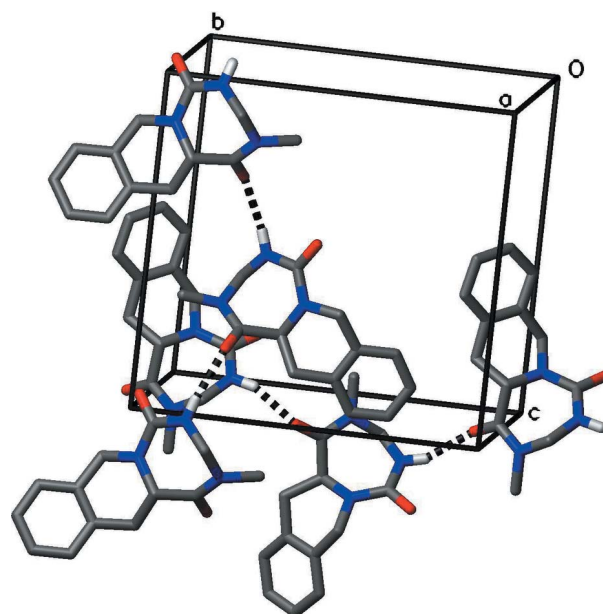
**Figure 1**

The molecular structures of the two independent molecules of (I), showing the atomic numbering scheme and 25% probability displacement ellipsoids. H atoms, except those of the NH and asymmetric CH groups, have been omitted for clarity.

neighbours for the amide N atom of molecules *A* and *B*. Indeed, the peptide plane defined by C2A/N2A/C4A/C5A is in a stacking interaction with the urea group (defined by N1B/C1B/O1B/N3B) of a symmetry-related molecule. In contrast, the equivalent peptide plane (C2B/N2B/C4B/C5B) in molecule *B* is sandwiched between a urea group and a benzene ring (defined by N1A/C1A/O1A/N3A and C7A/C8A/C9A/C10A/C11A/C12A, respectively) from two symmetry-related molecules.

The triazepane ring adopts a twist-boat conformation, TB (Boessenkool & Boyens, 1980), similar to those observed in the crystal structures of carbazepine (Hempel *et al.*, 2005; Lisgarten *et al.*, 1989). Thus, the seven-membered ring consists of two nearly planar halves, C2/N2/C4/C5 and C2/N1/C1/N3/C5. In molecule *A*, the r.m.s. deviations of the fitted atoms from these two planes are 0.06 and 0.05 Å, respectively, while in molecule *B*, the equivalent r.m.s. deviations are 0.005 and 0.03 Å, respectively. The dihedral angle between the two halves is 119.1 (1)° in molecule *A* and 119.5 (1)° in molecule *B*. Both independent piperidine rings are in a boat conformation, with atoms C6A and C13A displaced by 0.570 (4) and 0.401 (4) Å, respectively, from the mean plane defined by N3A/C5A/C7A/C12A in molecule *A*, and with atoms C6B and C13B displaced by 0.561 (4) and 0.631 (4) Å, respectively, from the mean plane defined by N3B/C5B/C7B/C12B in molecule *B*.

In the crystal structure of (I), the molecules are linked by C=O...H—N hydrogen bonds (Table 1 and Fig. 2), exhibiting the graph-set motif *C*(6) (Bernstein *et al.*, 1995). Molecules *A* form chains running along the [100] direction and molecules *B* form chains running along the [010] direction. Weak hydrogen bonds of the form C—H...π and C—H...O link chains of molecules *A* with chains of molecules *B*. The shortest interactions are listed in Table 1. All other intermolecular interactions correspond to van der Waals contacts.



**Figure 2**

Part of the crystal structure of (I), showing the *C*(6) chains along [100] and [010]. Intermolecular hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines. H atoms have been omitted.

## Experimental

The title compound was prepared in four steps from Boc-L-TicSar-OH (3.76 g) in 45% overall yield, as previously described by Lena *et al.* (2006), and was crystallized by slow evaporation from a mixture of dichloromethane–diisopropyl ether (5:1 *v/v*).

### Crystal data

C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>  
*M<sub>r</sub>* = 245.28  
 Orthorhombic, *P*<sub>2</sub><sub>1</sub>2<sub>1</sub>2<sub>1</sub>  
*a* = 12.1766 (2) Å  
*b* = 12.5948 (2) Å  
*c* = 15.4676 (3) Å  
*V* = 2372.14 (7) Å<sup>3</sup>  
*Z* = 8  
*D<sub>x</sub>* = 1.374 Mg m<sup>-3</sup>

Mo *K*α radiation  
 Cell parameters from 14659 reflections  
 $\theta$  = 1.0–27.9°  
 $\mu$  = 0.10 mm<sup>-1</sup>  
*T* = 293 (2) K  
 Prism, colourless  
 0.6 × 0.6 × 0.5 mm

### Data collection

Bruker Nonius KappaCCD area-detector diffractometer  
 $\omega$  scans  
 14659 measured reflections  
 3144 independent reflections  
 2706 reflections with *I* > 2σ(*I*)

*R*<sub>int</sub> = 0.04  
 $\theta_{\max}$  = 27.9°  
*h* = −16 → 16  
*k* = −16 → 16  
*l* = −20 → 20

### Refinement

Refinement on *F*<sup>2</sup>  
*R* [*F*<sup>2</sup> > 2σ(*F*<sup>2</sup>)] = 0.045  
*wR* (*F*<sup>2</sup>) = 0.117  
*S* = 1.05  
 3144 reflections  
 326 parameters  
 H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.061P)^2 + 0.3973P]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.17 \text{ e } \text{Å}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.17 \text{ e } \text{Å}^{-3}$

**Table 1**

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$C_g$  is the centroid of the benzene ring of molecule  $A$ .

| $D-H\cdots A$             | $D-H$ | $H\cdots A$ | $D\cdots A$ | $D-H\cdots A$ |
|---------------------------|-------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| $N1A-H1A\cdots O2A^i$     | 0.86  | 2.11        | 2.967 (3)   | 171           |
| $N1B-H1B\cdots O2B^{ii}$  | 0.86  | 2.02        | 2.827 (3)   | 156           |
| $C2B-H3B\cdots O1A^{iii}$ | 0.97  | 2.48        | 3.239 (3)   | 135           |
| $C3B-H4B\cdots C_g^{iv}$  | 0.97  | 2.87        | 3.700 (3)   | 145           |

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

Because of the lack of any significant anomalous dispersion effects, the absolute configuration could not be determined from the diffraction experiment and Friedel pairs were merged prior to refinement. All H atoms were placed in calculated positions and refined using a riding model, with C–H distances of 0.93–0.97 Å and an N–H distance of 0.86 Å, and with  $U_{iso}(H)$  fixed at  $1.2U_{eq}(C)$  for aromatic, methine and methylene groups, at  $1.2U_{eq}(N)$  for the N–H group and at  $1.5U_{eq}(C)$  for methyl groups.

Data collection: *COLLECT* (Nonius, 1998); cell refinement: *COLLECT*; data reduction: *HKL* (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997); program(s) used to solve structure: *SIR92* (Altomare *et al.*, 1994); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEP-3 for Windows* (Farrugia, 1997); soft-

ware used to prepare material for publication: *WinGX* (Farrugia, 1999) and *PLATON* (Spek, 2003).

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