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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
 $T = 293\text{ K}$
Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.002\text{ \AA}$
 R factor = 0.038
 wR factor = 0.105
Data-to-parameter ratio = 14.6For details of how these key indicators were
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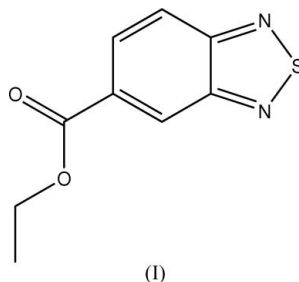
Ethyl 2,1,3-benzothiadiazole-5-carboxylate

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In the essentially planar molecule of the title compound, $\text{C}_9\text{H}_8\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}$, the dihedral angle between the benzene and thiadiazole rings is $0.44(7)^\circ$. In the crystal structure, molecules are stabilized by π - π interactions and van der Waals forces.

Comment

Recently, fluorene-based conjugated polymers have emerged as very promising candidates for polymer light-emitting diodes due to their combination of desirable properties, such as high fluorescence quantum yield, good film-forming and hole-transporting properties. Colour tuning in these polymers can be achieved by incorporating an electron-deficient monomer, benzothiadiazole, into the polymer backbone (Donat-Bouillud *et al.*, 2000). These polymers made from benzothiadiazole exhibited high external quantum efficiencies and high photometric power efficiency (Herguth *et al.*, 2002). In our studies of benzimidazole compounds, the title compound, (I), was obtained unexpectedly. The crystal structure is reported here.



In the title compound, the whole molecule excluding the H atoms is planar, the dihedral angle between the C4-C9 benzene and thiadiazole rings being $0.44(7)^\circ$. All bond lengths and angles in (I) are within normal ranges (Allen *et al.*, 1987). The bonds in the benzothiadiazole system show intermediate character between single and double bonds, implying a highly π -conjugated delocalization. In the crystal structure, molecules are stabilized by π - π interactions involving the benzene rings, with $\text{Cg}2 \cdots \text{Cg}2(1-x, -y, 1-z) = 3.777\text{ \AA}$ (Cg2 is the centroid of the C4-C9 benzene ring), and by van der Waals forces.

Experimental

To a solution of SOCl_2 (10 ml) in CH_2Cl_2 (25 ml) were added 2-nitrobenzoic acid (3.3 g, 20 mmol) and a catalytic amount of dimethylformamide. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 16 h to give a clear solution. The volatiles were

removed *in vacuo* to afford the crude acyl chloride product as a brown oil. A solution of the acyl chloride in CH_2Cl_2 (40 ml) was added dropwise to a solution of ethyl 3,4-diaminobenzoate (3.7 g, 20 mmol) and Et_3N (3.6 ml) in CH_2Cl_2 (20 ml). After the addition was complete, the reaction mixture was stirred at 273 K for 1 h and at room temperature for 3 h. The volatiles were removed *in vacuo* to give an off-white solid. The solid was refluxed in glacial AcOH (50 ml) in the presence of AcONa (1.64 g, 20 mmol) for 15 h. The resulting brown oil was partitioned between CH_2Cl_2 and water. The organic extracts were evaporated *in vacuo* to give a yellow solid. Single crystals were obtained from ethyl acetate/petroleum ether (1:2 *v/v*) solution over a period of 5 d.

Crystal data

$\text{C}_9\text{H}_8\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}$

$M_r = 208.23$

Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$

$a = 7.3545$ (6) Å

$b = 15.0337$ (12) Å

$c = 8.7923$ (7) Å

$\beta = 104.467$ (1)°

$V = 941.30$ (13) Å³

$Z = 4$

$D_x = 1.469$ Mg m⁻³

Mo $K\alpha$ radiation

Cell parameters from 2739

reflections

$\theta = 2.7$ – 26.0 °

$\mu = 0.32$ mm⁻¹

$T = 293$ (2) K

Plate, yellow

$0.34 \times 0.20 \times 0.09$ mm

Data collection

Siemens SMART 1000 CCD area-detector diffractometer

ω scans

Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)

$T_{\min} = 0.900$, $T_{\max} = 0.972$

5276 measured reflections

1852 independent reflections

1647 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

$R_{\text{int}} = 0.020$

$\theta_{\max} = 26.0$ °

$h = -9 \rightarrow 9$

$k = -18 \rightarrow 12$

$l = -10 \rightarrow 10$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.038$

$wR(F^2) = 0.105$

$S = 1.04$

1852 reflections

127 parameters

H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0616P)^2 + 0.1742P]$

where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$

$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.21$ e Å⁻³

$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.36$ e Å⁻³

Table 1

Selected bond lengths (Å).

S1–N2	1.6083 (15)	O1–C2	1.4608 (19)
S1–N1	1.6097 (14)	O2–C3	1.2034 (19)
O1–C3	1.3370 (19)		

All H atoms were located in difference Fourier maps, idealized, and constrained to ride on their parent atoms, with C–H distances in

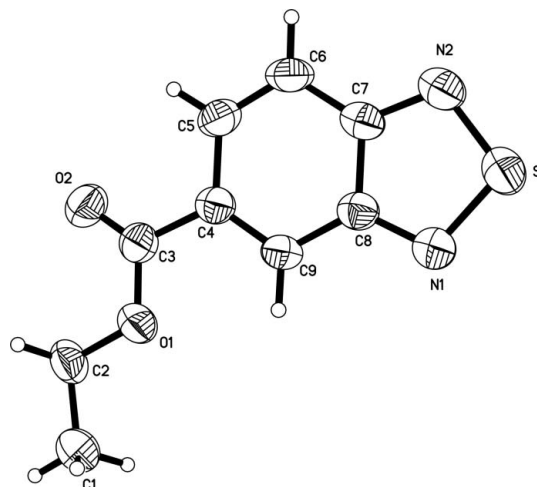


Figure 1

The structure of compound (I), showing 50% probability displacement ellipsoids and the atom-numbering scheme.

the range 0.93–0.97 Å, and with $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ or $1.5U_{\text{eq}}(\text{methyl C})$.

Data collection: SMART (Siemens, 1996); cell refinement: SAINT (Siemens, 1996); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXTL; molecular graphics: SHELXTL; software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL, PARST (Nardelli, 1995) and PLATON (Spek, 2003).

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