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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
$T=298 \mathrm{~K}$
Mean $\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.003 \AA$
$R$ factor $=0.052$
$w R$ factor $=0.139$
Data-to-parameter ratio $=12.7$
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## Methyl 4-(3-methoxyphenyl)-6-methyl-2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyrimidine-5carboxylate

The solid-state structure of the title compound, $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{4}$, is characterized by hydrogen-bonding interactions, linking the molecules into chains. Hydrogen-bonding interactions between neighbouring chains form a two-dimensional network.

## Comment

Dihydropyrimidinones are an important class of compounds which are of increasing interest owing to their therapeutic and pharmacological activities (Kappe, 1993). Some of them are integral backbones of several calcium channel blockers, antihypertensive agents and neuropeptide Y (NPY) antagonists (Atwal et al., 1990; Rovnyak et al., 1995). The synthesis of this kind of heterocyclic compound has therefore gained great importance in organic chemistry (Hu et al., 1998). A simple, efficient and practical procedure for dihydropyrimidinones has also been reported by our laboratory (Su et al., 2005).

(I)

The six-membered dihydropyrimidinone ring in the title compound, (I), is almost planar, with an r.m.s. deviation from the mean plane of 0.082 (1) $\AA$. The mean planes through the benzene ring dihydropyrimidinone rings form a dihedral angle of 88.1 (1) ${ }^{\circ}$.

The solid-state structure of (I) is characterized by hydrogen-bonding interactions (Table 2). Intermolecular N $\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ hydrogen-bonding interactions link neighbouring molecules into chains (Fig. 2). These chains are connected by hydrogen-bonding interactions, forming a two-dimensional network.

## Experimental

A mixture of 3-methoxybenzaldehyde ( 5 mmol ), methyl 3-oxobutanonate ( 5 mmol ), urea ( 7.5 mmol ) and $\mathrm{Sr}(\mathrm{OTf})_{2}$ (OTf is trifluoromethanesulfonate) ( 0.05 mmol ) was heated at 343 K with stirring for 4 h . After cooling, the reaction mixture was poured into cold water and stirred for 5 min . The solid was suction-filtered, washed with cold water, filtered and recrystallized from ethanol to afford the pure product (m.p. 486-487 K). Single crystals suitable for X-ray data collection were obtained from ethanol.
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## Crystal data

$\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{4}$
$M_{r}=276.29$
Triclinic, $P \overline{1}$
$a=7.5344$ (8) $\AA$
$b=7.5833$ (8) Å
$c=12.8025(14) \AA$
$\alpha=78.355(2)^{\circ}$
$\beta=81.757(2)^{\circ}$
$\gamma=68.040(2)^{\circ}$
$V=662.58(12) \AA^{3}$

## Data collection

Bruker APEX area-detector diffractometer
$\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 2002)
$T_{\text {min }}=0.957, T_{\text {max }}=0.972$
3528 measured reflections

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.052$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.139$
$S=1.07$
2336 reflections
184 parameters
H -atom parameters constrained

## $Z=2$

$D_{x}=1.385 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$
Mo $K \alpha$ radiation
Cell parameters from 1648 reflections
$\theta=2.5-25.0^{\circ}$
$\mu=0.10 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$
$T=298$ (2) K
Block, colourless
$0.33 \times 0.25 \times 0.18 \mathrm{~mm}$

2336 independent reflections
2127 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$
$R_{\text {int }}=0.010$
$\theta_{\text {max }}=25.2^{\circ}$
$h=-8 \rightarrow 9$
$k=-8 \rightarrow 9$
$l=-15 \rightarrow 11$

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\begin{aligned}
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& w=1 / {\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{\mathrm{o}}^{2}\right)+(0.0662 P)^{2}\right.} \\
&\quad+0.2894 P] \\
& \text { where } P=\left(F_{\mathrm{o}}^{2}+2 F_{\mathrm{c}}^{2}\right) / 3 \\
&(\Delta / \sigma)_{\max }=0.011 \\
& \Delta \rho_{\max }=0.20 \mathrm{e}^{-3} \\
& \Delta \rho_{\min }=-0.24 \mathrm{e}^{-3}
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Table 1
Selected geometric parameters ( $\left(\AA,{ }^{\circ}\right.$ ).

| O1-C2 | $1.367(3)$ | $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 8$ | $1.466(2)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| O1-C1 | $1.427(3)$ | $\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 9$ | $1.374(2)$ |
| O2-C13 | $1.340(2)$ | $\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 10$ | $1.379(2)$ |
| O2-C14 | $1.441(2)$ | $\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{C} 11$ | $1.521(2)$ |
| O3-C13 | $1.209(2)$ | $\mathrm{C} 10-\mathrm{C} 11$ | $1.347(3)$ |
| O4-C9 | $1.235(2)$ | $\mathrm{C} 10-\mathrm{C} 12$ | $1.493(3)$ |
| N1-C9 | $1.334(2)$ | $\mathrm{C} 11-\mathrm{C} 13$ | $1.466(3)$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| C2-O1-C1 | $117.3(2)$ | $\mathrm{C} 9-\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 8$ | $126.55(15)$ |
| C13-O2-C14 | $116.35(17)$ | $\mathrm{C} 9-\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 10$ | $123.86(16)$ |

Table 2
Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\AA^{\circ}{ }^{\circ}$ ).

| $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H}$ | $\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| N1-H1 $\mathrm{OO}^{3}{ }^{\mathrm{i}}$ | 0.86 | 2.41 | $3.146(2)$ | 144 |
| N2-H2 $\mathrm{O}^{4 i}$ | 0.86 | 2.00 | $2.839(2)$ | 165 |

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

All H atoms were positioned geometrically and allowed to ride on their parent atoms ( $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}=0.93,0.96,0.97 \AA$ for aromatic, methylene and methyl H atoms, respectively, and $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H}=0.8 \AA$ ), with $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})$ values equal to $1.2 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{N})$ or $1.5 U_{\text {eq }}$ (methyl C).

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 2002); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2002); 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, 2002); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.


Figure 1
Perspective view of (I), showing the atom-numbering scheme and displacement ellipsoids drawn at the $30 \%$ probability level.


Figure 2
The two-dimensional network formed by intermolecular hydrogenbonding interactions (dashed lines).

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