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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 298 KMean $\sigma(C-C) = 0.004 \text{ Å}$ R factor = 0.037 wR factor = 0.102 Data-to-parameter ratio = 18.8

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1,5-Bis(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(4-pyridyl)pentane-1,5-dione

The title compound, $C_{22}H_{17}Cl_2NO_2$, has been synthesized and characterized by single-crystal X-ray diffraction. In the crystal structure, the two benzene rings and the pyridyl group lie in a propeller arrangement around the central C atom, thereby minimizing the steric effects between these rings.

Comment

As part of an investigation of the structures of multi-ring compounds, we report here the structure of the title compound, (I) (Fig. 1).



In the molecule of (I), all bond lengths are within normal ranges (Allen *et al.*, 1987). The two benzene rings and the pyridyl group lie in a propeller arrangement around C9, thereby minimizing the steric effects between these rings. The dihedral angle between the two benzene rings is $15.4 (4)^{\circ}$. The dihedral angles between the pyridine ring and the rings C1–C6 and C12–C17 are 69.3 (4) and 89.6 (4)°, respectively.

There are no short intermolecular contacts in the crystal structure of (I).

Experimental

The title compound was synthesized by the reaction of equivalent amounts of (E)-1-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(pyridin-4-yl)prop-2-en-1-one (0.1 mmol), isonicotinohydrazide (0.1 mmol) and 1-(4-chlorophenyl)ethanone (0.1 mmol) in ethanol solution (30 ml) for 3 h at 373–383 K. Single crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction analysis were obtained by evaporation of an ethanol solution.

Crystal data $C_{22}H_{17}Cl_2NO_2$ $M_r = 398.27$ Orthorhombic, $P2_12_12_1$ a = 5.6553 (11) Å b = 15.754 (3) Å c = 21.191 (4) Å V = 1888.0 (6) Å³

Z = 4 D_x = 1.401 Mg m⁻³ Mo K α radiation μ = 0.36 mm⁻¹ T = 298 (2) K Block, yellow 0.34 × 0.13 × 0.08 mm

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Data collection

Bruker SMART APEX areadetector diffractometer ω scans Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SADABS*; Sheldrick, 1996) $T_{\min} = 0.941, T_{\max} = 0.969$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.037$ $wR(F^2) = 0.102$ S = 0.764606 reflections 245 parameters H-atom parameters constrained $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0544P)^2]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ 17030 measured reflections 4606 independent reflections 1774 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $R_{\text{int}} = 0.054$ $\theta_{\text{max}} = 28.2^{\circ}$

 $\begin{array}{l} (\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001 \\ \Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.14 \ e \ {\rm \AA}^{-3} \\ \Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.18 \ e \ {\rm \AA}^{-3} \\ {\rm Extinction correction: $SHELXL97$} \\ ({\rm Sheldrick, 1997}a) \\ {\rm Extinction coefficient: } 0.0066 \ (10) \\ {\rm Absolute structure: Flack \ (1983), } \\ {\rm with \ 1918 \ Friedel \ pairs } \\ {\rm Flack \ parameter: \ 0.01 \ (7)} \end{array}$

H atoms were placed in geometrically idealized positions and constrained to ride on their parent atoms, with C-H distances in the range 0.93–0.98 Å, and with $U_{\rm iso}({\rm H}) = 1.2U_{\rm eq}({\rm C})$.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 1998); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 1998); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997*a*); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997*a*); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 1997*b*); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.



Figure 1

The structure of (I), showing 30% probability displacement ellipsoids and the atom-numbering scheme.

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