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#### Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 292 KMean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.004 \text{ Å}$  R factor = 0.056 wR factor = 0.123 Data-to-parameter ratio = 17.6

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# Propane-1,3-diyl bis(p-toluenesulfonate)

In the title compound,  $C_{17}H_{20}O_6S_2$ , the molecule lies on a twofold rotation axis.

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#### Comment

The title compound, (I), has been reported as an intermediate in the synthesis of cyclic amines (Smith *et al.*, 1978) and as a bridge reagent linking two cyclic amine rings (Wieghardt *et al.*, 1985). In the crystal structure, the molecule adopts a W conformation, with atom C9 lying on a crystallographic twofold rotation axis (Fig. 1). The dihedral angle between the two benzene rings is 83.0 (1)°.



#### **Experimental**

Toluene-4-sulfonyl chloride (30 mg) and 1,3-propanedial (6 g) were dissolved in toluene (180 ml). Triethylamine (19 g) were then added in small amounts with stirring at 263 K. This solution was stirred mechanically at 268 K for 5 h, after which time the resulting white precipitate was filtered off, washed with water and recrystallized from ethanol. Crystals suitable for X-ray analysis were obtained by diffusion of diethyl ether into an ethanol solution over two weeks.

Crystal data	
$C_{17}H_{20}O_6S_2$	Z = 4
$M_r = 384.45$	$D_x = 1.375 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
Monoclinic, $C2/c$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
a = 14.8505 (19)  Å	$\mu = 0.32 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
b = 5.4005 (7) Å	T = 292 (2) K
c = 23.582 (3) Å	Prism, colourless
$\beta = 100.824 \ (2)^{\circ}$	$0.20 \times 0.20 \times 0.10 \text{ mm}$
$V = 1857.6 (4) \text{ Å}^3$	

#### Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD diffractometer  $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SADABS*; Sheldrick, 2002)  $T_{\min} = 0.940, T_{\max} = 0.963$ 

Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.056$   $wR(F^2) = 0.123$  S = 0.902020 reflections 115 parameters H-atom parameters constrained  $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0502P)^2]$ where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.028$  $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.28 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$ 

5488 measured reflections 2020 independent reflections

1152 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.028$   $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.28 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$  $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.27 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ 

 $\begin{aligned} R_{\rm int} &= 0.085\\ \theta_{\rm max} &= 27.0^\circ \end{aligned}$ 

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#### Figure 1

The molecular structure of (I), showing the atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level and H atoms have been omitted. [Symmetry code: (i) 1 - x, y,  $\frac{1}{2} - z$ .]

H atoms were positioned geometrically and allowed to ride, with C-H = 0.93 Å and  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$  for  $Csp^2$ , with C-H = 0.97 Å and  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$  for the methylene groups, and with C-H = 0.96 Å and  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.5U_{eq}(C)$  for the methyl group.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2000); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2000); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve

structure: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 2000); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXTL*; molecular graphics: *SHELXTL*; software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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