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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 100 KMean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.002 \text{ Å}$ R factor = 0.042 wR factor = 0.113 Data-to-parameter ratio = 38.6

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1-(2,4-Dichlorophenyl)-3-(2-furyl)prop-2-en-1-one

In the title compound, $C_{13}H_8Cl_2O_2$, the dihedral angle between the benzene and furan rings is 44.39 (7)°. The crystal structure is stabilized by intermolecular $C-H\cdots O$ hydrogen bonds.

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Comment

The title compound, (I), is a derivative of chalcone, 1,3diphenylprop-2-en-1-one. These compounds display a wide variety of pharmacological effects, including antibacterial, antiviral, antimutagenic, antimitotic, anti-inflammatory, antiulcerative and hepatoprotective activities (Batt *et al.*, 1993; Sogawa *et al.*, 1994; Arty *et al.*, 2000). In addition, with appropriate substituents, chalcones are a class of non-linear optical materials (Fichou *et al.*, 1988; Kitaoka *et al.*, 1990; Uchida *et al.*, 1998; Goto *et al.*, 1991; Patil *et al.*, 2006*a,b*; Zhang *et al.*, 1990; Zhao *et al.*, 2000). The single-crystal X-ray structural study of (I) was undertaken in order to establish the structure and conformation of the various groups. Compound (I) does not exhibit second-order non-linear optical properties as it crystallizes in a centrosymmetric space group.



In (I), bond lengths and angles have normal values (Allen *et al.*, 1987) and are comparable to those in related structures (Ng *et al.*, 2006; Patil *et al.*, 2006, 2006*a,b*; Teh *et al.*, 2006). The least-squares plane through the O2/C5/C6/C7 enone group makes dihedral angles of 43.30 (5) and 4.74 (7)° with the C8–C13 (benzene) and C1–C4/O1 (furan) rings, respectively; the dihedral angle between the benzene and furan rings is 44.39 (7)°.

Two intramolecular hydrogen bonds, $C5-H5A\cdots O2$ and $C6-H6A\cdots C11$, generate S(5) and S(6) ring motifs, respectively (Bernstein *et al.*, 1995) (Fig. 1 and Table 1). The molecules form dimers and these dimeric molecules are arranged in layers parallel to the *ac* plane, propagating along the *b* axis. The benzene and furan rings are stacked with a centroid–centroid distance of 3.894 Å, indicating a weak π - π interaction.

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Figure 1

The molecular structure of (I), showing 50% probability displacement ellipsoids and the atomic numbering. Dashed lines indicate hydrogen bonds.

Experimental

(I) was prepared *via* condensation of 2-furfuraldehyde (0.01 mol) with 2,4-dichloroacetophenone (0.01 mol) in ethanol (60 ml) in the presence of NaOH (5 ml, 25%). After stirring for 2 h, the contents of the flask were poured into ice-cold water (250 ml), and left to stand overnight. The resulting crude solid was collected by filtration, dried and purified by repeated recrystallization from acetone. Crystals suitable for single-crystal X-ray diffraction were grown by slow evaporation of an acetone solution at room temperature over 7 d.

Crystal data

$C_{13}H_8Cl_2O_2$ $M_r = 267.09$ Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$ a = 15.5442 (2) Å b = 3.8939 (1) Å c = 21.6258 (3) Å $\beta = 120.330 (1)^{\circ}$ $V = 1129.80 (4) Å^3$

Data collection

Bruker SMART APEX2 CCD area-	2383
detector diffractometer	5944
ω scans	4177
Absorption correction: multi-scan	$R_{\rm int}$
(SADABS; Bruker, 2005)	$\theta_{\rm max}$
$T_{\min} = 0.832, \ T_{\max} = 0.945$	

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	w
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.042$	
$wR(F^2) = 0.113$	
S = 1.05	(Δ
5944 reflections	$\dot{\Delta}$
154 parameters	Δ
H-atom parameters constrained	

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
C5-H5A···O2	0.93	2.46	2.797 (2)	102
$C5-H5A\cdots O2^{i}$	0.93	2.50	3.308 (2)	146
$C6-H6A\cdots Cl1$	0.93	2.83	3.194 (2)	105

Symmetry code: (i) -x + 1, -y - 1, -z + 1.

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y diffraction were
ion at room tempera
$\mathbf{Z} = A$
$D_{\rm m} = 1.570 {\rm Mg}{\rm m}^2$
Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$\mu = 0.56 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
T = 100.0 (1) K
Block, yellow

23831 measured reflections
5944 independent reflections
4177 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
$R_{\rm int} = 0.046$
$\theta_{\rm max} = 37.5^{\circ}$

 $0.28 \times 0.20 \times 0.10$ mm

 $w = 1/[\sigma^{2}(F_{o}^{2}) + (0.0462P)^{2} + 0.3596P]$ where $P = (F_{o}^{2} + 2F_{c}^{2})/3$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.002$ $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.55 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.38 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$





The crystal packing of (I), viewed down the *b* axis. Intermolecular hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines.

All H atoms were refined using a riding model, with C-H = 0.93 Å and $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$.

Data collection: *APEX2* (Bruker, 2005); cell refinement: *APEX2*; data reduction: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2005); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 1998); 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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