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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study

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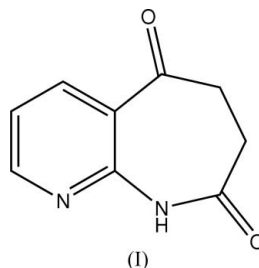
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6,7,8,9-Tetrahydro-5H-pyrido[2,3-b]azepine-5,8-dione: a hydrogen-bonded dimer structure

In the title compound, $\text{C}_9\text{H}_8\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$, two crystallographically independent molecules form a dimer structure, in which two $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$ hydrogen bonds generate an intermolecular $R_2^2(8)$ ring.Received 16 May 2006
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Comment

The title compound, (I), is an intermediate in the synthesis of 1-azakepallone (Kunick *et al.*, 2004), which is an inhibitor of glycogen synthase kinase-3 (Doble & Woodgett, 2003) and a potential antidiabetic drug (Wagmann & Nuss, 2001).In the crystal structure of (I), two crystallographically independent molecules form a dimer through $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$ hydrogen bonds (Fig. 1 and Table 1). These hydrogen bonds generate an $R_2^2(8)$ ring (Bernstein *et al.*, 1995). The dihedral angle between the two pyridine rings in the dimer is $7.6(2)^\circ$. Atom C7 of the seven-membered ring has *endo* and *exo* conformations in the two independent molecules (Fig. 1).The crystal structure consists of packed hydrogen-bonded dimers (Fig. 2). A $\pi-\pi$ interaction is observed between the pyridine C10–C13/N2/C14 rings of neighbouring dimers; the centroid-to-centroid distance, $\text{Cg}\cdots\text{Cg}(-x, 2-y, -z)$, is $3.616(2) \text{ \AA}$ and the interplanar spacing is $3.232(2) \text{ \AA}$.

Experimental

Compound (I) was prepared from 2-aminopyridine-3-carboxylic acid (purchased from Aldrich) according to the literature method of Kunick *et al.* (2003). Single crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction were obtained from an ethanol solution.

Crystal data

$\text{C}_9\text{H}_8\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$
 $M_r = 176.17$
 Triclinic, $P\bar{1}$
 $a = 8.2902(11) \text{ \AA}$
 $b = 8.5284(11) \text{ \AA}$
 $c = 11.1261(15) \text{ \AA}$
 $\alpha = 98.155(2)^\circ$
 $\beta = 98.996(2)^\circ$
 $\gamma = 91.754(2)^\circ$

$V = 767.98(18) \text{ \AA}^3$
 $Z = 4$
 $D_x = 1.524 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
 Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 $\mu = 0.11 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
 $T = 187(2) \text{ K}$
 Block, colourless
 $0.20 \times 0.13 \times 0.10 \text{ mm}$

Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer
 φ and ω scans
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)
 $T_{\min} = 0.978$, $T_{\max} = 0.989$

4341 measured reflections
 2959 independent reflections
 2109 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.018$
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 26.0^\circ$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.053$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.149$
 $S = 1.02$
 2959 reflections
 235 parameters
 H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0819P)^2 + 0.0598P]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.23 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.28 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (\AA , $^\circ$).

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
$N3-H3A\cdots N2^i$	0.88	2.21	3.051 (2)	161
$N4-H4A\cdots N1^i$	0.88	2.25	3.042 (2)	150

Symmetry code: (i) $-x, -y + 2, -z + 1$.

H atoms were found in a difference Fourier map and refined as riding, with $C-H = 0.95-0.99 \text{ \AA}$ and $N-H = 0.88 \text{ \AA}$, and with $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C,N})$.

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 1998); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2003); 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, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL.

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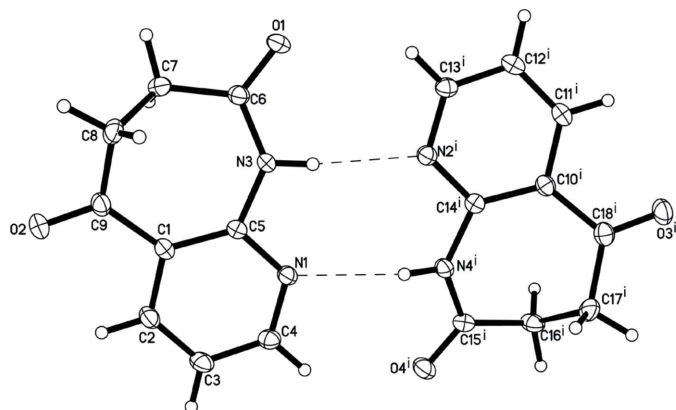


Figure 1

A view of the hydrogen-bonded dimer of (I), with the atom-labelling scheme and 30% probability displacement ellipsoids. Hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines. [Symmetry code (i) is as in Table 1].

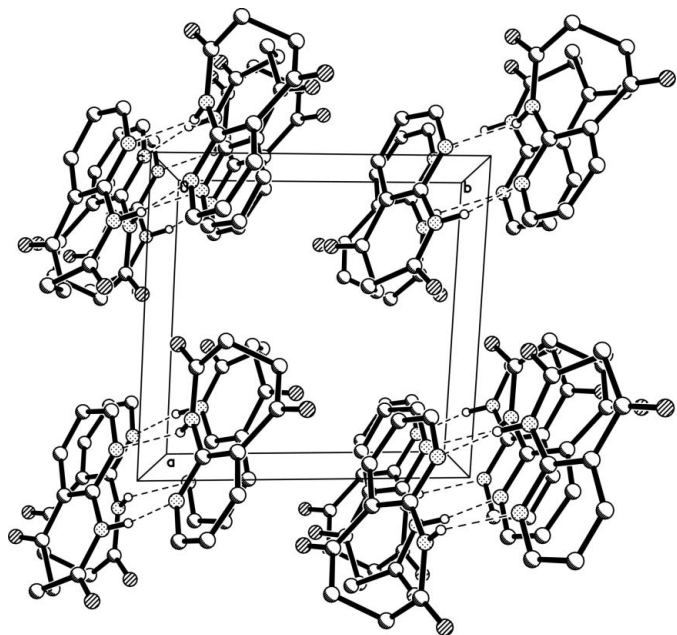


Figure 2

A packing view of (I), along the a axis. Hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines. H atoms not involved in hydrogen bonding have been omitted for clarity.

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