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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 173 K Mean σ (C–C) = 0.003 Å Disorder in main residue R factor = 0.036 wR factor = 0.094 Data-to-parameter ratio = 15.1

For details of how these key indicators were automatically derived from the article, see http://journals.iucr.org/e. The title molecular structure, $C_{11}H_{13}NO_3S$, contains a fivemembered ring which adopts an envelope conformation.

1-[(4-Methylphenyl)sulfonyl]pyrrolidin-2-one

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Comment

Sulfonamides are an important class of drugs which are known for their pharmacological activities, *e.g.*, antimicrobial, anti-HIV [amprenavir, a sulfonamide used for the treatment of AIDS and HIV infections (Turner, 2002)], insulin-releasing antidiabetic, carbonic anhydrase inhibitory (Supuran & Scozzafava, 2000, 2001, 2003), high ceiling diuretic, antithyroid and antitumor (Masereel *et al.*, 2002). Keeping in mind the diverse biological activities of sulfonamides, we have synthesized a series of sulfonamides with different functionalities. We report here the structure of the title compound (I), which has been synthesized by dehydrative cyclization of 4-(4methylphenylsulfonamido)butanoic acid using polyphosphoric ester (Imamoto *et al.*, 1982).



The crystal structure is composed of discrete molecules of (I) (Fig. 1), packing as shown in Fig. 2. The five-membered pyrrolidine ring adopts an envelope conformation; the flap atom, C10, is 0.392 (3) Å out of the plane formed by the remaining four atoms of the ring. The mean-plane formed by the atoms N1/C8/C9/C11 of the five-membered ring is inclined at 80.19 (9) $^{\circ}$ with respect to the mean plane of benzene ring C1-C6. The molecular dimensions in (I) are in agreement with the corresponding distances reported for a few structures containing a phenylsulfonylpyrrolidin-2-one fragment in the Cambridge Structural Database (Version 5.27; Allen, 2002), e.g. refcodes GUBNOG (Iwamatsu et al., 1999), JIRKOK and JIRLAX (Amato et al., 1990), KONJAY (Bandoli et al., 1992), QACQUH (Benerjee et al., 2002), QELJUM (Clark et al., 1999), SOVDOW and SOVDUC (Amato et al., 1991), and WEPDOK (Taksukawa et al., 1993).

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 $O\bar{R}TEPII$ (Johnson, 1976) drawing of (I), with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 30% probability level; only three of the six H atoms at 0.50 occupancy attached to C7 have been shown.



Figure 2 The packing of (I). H atoms have been omitted.

Experimental

The title compound, (I), was synthesized by dehydrative cyclization of 4-(4-methylphenylsulfonamido)butanoic acid with polyphosphoric acid ester (PPE) (Imamoto *et al.*, 1982). A mixture of 4-(4-methylphenylsulfonamido)butanoic acid (1 mmol) and PPE (2 ml) was stirred at room temperature for 17 h. The reaction mixture was treated with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ solution and extracted with chloroform (3 × 10 ml). The combined extract was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and evaporated using a rotary evaporator. The product was isolated by preparative thin-layer chromatography

on silica gel using ethyl acetate-petroleum ether (1:4) (313–333 K) as eluent. Crystals suitable for an X-ray crystallographic study were grown from a solution of (I) in absolute ethanol by slow evaporation at room temperature.

Crystal data

 $C_{11}H_{13}NO_3S$ Z = 4

 $M_r = 239.28$ $D_x = 1.408 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$

 Monoclinic, P_{21}/n Mo $K\alpha$ radiation

 a = 8.144 (5) Å
 $\mu = 0.28 \text{ mm}^{-1}$

 b = 13.717 (10) Å
 T = 173 (2) K

 c = 10.644 (8) Å
 Block, colorless

 $\beta = 108.27$ (3)°
 $0.18 \times 0.16 \times 0.06 \text{ mm}$

Data collection

Bruker–Nonius KappaCCD diffractometer φ and ω scans Absorption correction: multi-scan *SORTAV* (Blessing, 1997) $T_{\min} = 0.952, T_{\max} = 0.984$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.036$ $wR(F^2) = 0.094$ S = 1.052190 reflections 145 parameters H-atom parameters constrained

3329 measured reflections 2190 independent reflections 1914 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $R_{int} = 0.019$ $\theta_{max} = 26.0^{\circ}$

$$\begin{split} w &= 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0415P)^2 \\ &+ 0.606P] \\ \text{where } P &= (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3 \\ (\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} &< 0.001 \\ \Delta\rho_{\text{max}} &= 0.23 \text{ e } \text{ Å}^{-3} \\ \Delta\rho_{\text{min}} &= -0.35 \text{ e } \text{ Å}^{-3} \end{split}$$

Table 1Selected geometric parameters (Å, $^{\circ}$).

\$1-02	1.4260 (14)	O3-C8	1.207 (2)
S1-O1	1.4300 (16)	N1-C8	1.392 (3)
\$1-N1	1.6604 (17)	N1-C11	1.484 (2)
S1-C1	1.752 (2)		
O2-S1-O1	119.42 (9)	N1-S1-C1	104.58 (7)
O2-S1-N1	108.62 (9)	C8-N1-C11	113.92 (15)
O1-S1-N1	104.46 (9)	C8-N1-S1	123.63 (13)
O2-S1-C1	109.39 (8)	C11-N1-S1	122.45 (13)
O1-S1-C1	109.29 (8)		

H atoms were included in the refinement at geometrically idealized positions, with C—H = 0.95–0.99 Å and $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$; H atoms bonded to C7 are disordered over six sites with equal siteoccupancy factors.

Data collection: *COLLECT* (Hooft, 1998); cell refinement: *DENZO* (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997); data reduction: *SCALE-PACK* (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997); program(s) used to solve structure: *SAPI91* (Fan, 1991); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEPII* (Johnson, 1976); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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