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#### Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 294 KMean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.004 Å R factor = 0.043 wR factor = 0.114 Data-to-parameter ratio = 12.9

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# 1'-Methyl-4'-(1-naphthyl)-1*H*-indole-3-spiro-2'-pyrrolidine-3'-spiro-2"-thiazolo[3,2-a]benzimidazole-2(3*H*),3"(2"*H*)-dione

In the title compound,  $C_{30}H_{22}N_4O_2S$ , two spiro junctions link a planar 2-oxoindole ring, a pyrrolidine ring and a thiazolo[3,2-*a*][1,3]benzimidazol-3-one system. Molecules form dimers connected by  $N-H \cdots N$  hydrogen bonds.

#### Comment

Spiro compounds represent an important class of naturally occurring substances characterized by highly pronounced biological properties (James *et al.*, 1991; Kobayashi *et al.*, 1991). 1,3-Dipolar cycloaddition reactions are important processes for the construction of spiro compounds (Caramella & Grunanger, 1984).



In this paper, the synthesis and structure of the title twospiro-junction compound, (I) (Fig. 1), are reported. Two spiro junctions exist in the molecule, which contains a 2-oxoindole ring, a pyrrolidine ring and a thiazolo[3,2-*a*][1,3]benzimidazol-3-one system. The 2-oxoindoline ring (C10–C17/N4) is essentially planar, with a mean deviation of 0.054 (5) Å. The packing can be described as a dimeric arrangement of molecules linked through N–H···N hydrogen bonds, as shown in Table 1. Atom N2 of the thiazolo[3,2-*a*][1,3]benzimidazol-3one system acts as an acceptor in a hydrogen-bond interaction with the 2-oxoindole N4 atom in a symmetry-related molecule at (-x, -y + 1, -z + 1).

#### Experimental

© 2006 International Union of Crystallography All rights reserved A mixture of 2-(1-naphthylmethylene)thiazolo[3,2-a][1,3]benzimidazol-3-one (1 mmol), isatin (1 mmol) and sarcosine (1 mmol) was Received 9 May 2006 Accepted 14 June 2006

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refluxed in methanol (60 ml) until the disappearance of the starting material was evidenced by thin-layer chromatography. After evaporation of the solvent, the residue was separated by column chromatography (silica gel; petroleum ether-ethyl acetate 5:1) to give (I) (m.p. 507-508 K). Compound (I) (20 mg) was dissolved in acetone (15 ml) and the solution was left to evaporate at room temperature for 8 d, giving colorless single crystals of (I) suitable for X-ray analysis.

Z = 8

 $D_x = 1.358 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ 

 $0.24 \times 0.20 \times 0.10 \ \mathrm{mm}$ 

24035 measured reflections

4331 independent reflections

2725 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  $\mu = 0.17 \text{ mm}^-$ T = 294 (2) K Block, colorless

 $R_{\rm int}=0.071$ 

 $\theta_{\rm max} = 25.0^{\circ}$ 

#### Crystal data

$C_{30}H_{22}N_4O_2S$	
$M_r = 502.58$	
Orthorhombic, Pbca	l
a = 16.126 (4)  Å	
b = 12.852 (4) Å	
c = 23.725 (6) Å	
$V = 4917 (2) \text{ Å}^3$	

#### Data collection

Bruker APEX CCD area-detector diffractometer  $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 1997)  $T_{\min} = 0.961, T_{\max} = 0.983$ 

#### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0527P)^2]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.043$	+ 0.4279P]
$wR(F^2) = 0.114$	where $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 1.06	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$
4331 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.26 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
335 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.23 \text{ e} \text{ \AA}^{-3}$
H-atom parameters constrained	

### Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
$N4-H4\cdots N2^i$	0.86	2.14	2.994 (3)	174
Symmetry code: (i)	-x, -v + 1, -z	+ 1.		

H atoms were positioned geometrically and refined using a riding model  $[C-H = 0.93-0.98 \text{ Å} \text{ and } N-H = 0.83 \text{ Å}, \text{ with } U_{iso}(H) =$  $1.5U_{eq}$ (methyl C) and  $1.2U_{eq}$ (C,N).





The molecular structure of (I), drawn with 30% probability ellipsoids. H atoms are drawn as spheres of arbitrary radius.

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 1997); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 1997); 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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