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#### **Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 153 K Mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.004 Å R factor = 0.043 wR factor = 0.108 Data-to-parameter ratio = 15.9

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# A thiophene-ba borts 18,24-bis(p-tol)

## A thiophene-based azacryptand Mannich base: 18,24-bis(p-tolylsulfonamido)-2,5,8,11,21-pentaoxa-15,27-dithia-18,24-diazatricyclo[24.3.0.0]nonacosa-1(26),12(16),13,28-tetraene

The title compound,  $C_{34}H_{42}N_2O_9S_4$ , is composed of two thiophene rings bridged by an  $-O-(CH_2)_2-O-(CH_2)_2-O-(CH_2)_2-O-(CH_2)_2$  o – chain and a trisubstitued diamine with pendent tosyl rings. In the crystal structure, the molecules are stabilized by several intra- and intermolecular  $C-H\cdots O$  interactions, forming a two-dimensional network arranged in the *ac* plane.

#### Comment

The title compound, (I), is similar to the macrocycle reported by Halfpenny & Sloman (2000), in that the bulky tosyl substituents may have a major effect on the macrocyclic ring geometry. Considering the important steric restrictions imposed in (I) by the thiophene and the tosyl rings, the flexibility must be even lower and the selectivity of this macrocycle higher than the benzyl analogue reported by Halfpenny & Sloman (2000) and Barker *et al.* (1993).



The molecule (I) can be divided into two similar parts through a local approximate  $C_2$  axis passing through atom O5 and the mid-point of the C7-C8 bond (Fig. 1). The macrocyclic ring shows a non-planar conformation; the longest intramolecular distance between the two thiophene rings is 13.479 (4) Å for C4···C14 and the longest between the two tosyl rings is 9.983 (3) Å for C25...C29. The large separation of the two tosyl rings influences the geometry of the macrocyclic cavity by ensuring that the thiophene rings and therefore the O and N atoms do not lie in the same plane. The largest cross-cavity distances are  $N1 \cdots O1 = 7.472$  (3) Å,  $N2 \cdot \cdot \cdot O4 = 7.458$  (3) Å and  $O1 \cdot \cdot \cdot O4 = 7.798$  (3) Å. The macrocyclic cavity can be divided in two smaller distorted tetrahedral cavities, defined by the potential donor atoms O5/ N1/O4/O3 and O5/N2/O1/O2. Their largest cross-cavity distances are N1···O3 = 5.085 (3) Å, O4···O5 = 4.619 (3) Å,

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### Figure 1

A view of compound (I), showing the atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.





The molecular packing of (I), viewed down the b axis. H atoms have been omitted unless these are involved in C-H···O interactions (dashed lines). [Symmetry codes: (i) x, 1 + y, z; (ii) -x,  $y - \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2} - z$ ; (iii) 1 - x, -y, 2 - z.]

 $N2 \cdots O2 = 5.304$  (3) Å and  $O1 \cdots O5 = 4.597$  (2) Å. The macrocycle conformation of (I) is stabilized by intramolecular C-H···O interactions (Table 2). The molecules are linked by C-H···O interactions, forming a two-dimensional network in the ac plane (Fig. 2).

## **Experimental**

Compound (I) was synthesized according to the procedure described by Chaffin et al. (2002). Crystals suitable for X-ray analysis were grown from a cyclohexane/methanol solution (1:1 v/v) by slow evaporation at 278 K.

> 7077 independent reflections 4692 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$

H-atom parameters constrained

 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0522P)^2]$ 

where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ 

 $R_{\rm int}=0.116$ 

 $\theta_{\rm max} = 26.0^{\circ}$ 

 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$ 

 $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.43 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ 

## Crystal data

C34H42N2O9S4 Z = 4 $M_r = 750.94$  $D_x = 1.373 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Monoclinic,  $P2_1/c$ Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation a = 18.2875 (13) Å  $\mu = 0.32 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ b = 9.0910(5) Å T = 153 (2) K c = 22.6813 (17) Å Block, colourless  $\beta = 105.619 \ (9)^{\circ}$  $0.50 \times 0.50 \times 0.30 \ \mathrm{mm}$ V = 3631.6 (4) Å<sup>3</sup>

#### Data collection

Stoe IPDS diffractometer  $\varphi$  scans Absorption correction: none 27910 measured reflections

## Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$  $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.043$  $wR(F^2) = 0.108$ S = 0.88 $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.44 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ 7077 reflections 444 parameters

## Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

S1-C4	1.708 (3)	\$3-N1	1.620 (2)
S1-C1	1.722 (2)	\$3-C21	1.762 (2)
S2-C11	1.712 (3)	\$4-N2	1.6200 (19)
S2-C14	1.719 (3)	S4-C28	1.768 (2)
C4-S1-C1	92.06 (12)	C20-C1-S1	123.41 (17)
C11-S2-C14	92.06 (14)	C12-C11-C15	125.9 (2)
C2-C1-C20	126.3 (2)	C15-C11-S2	123.7 (2)
O1-C5-C6-O2	71.3 (3)	N1-C16-C17-O5	-168.6(2)
02-C7-C8-O3	-84.8(3)	O5-C18-C19-N2	68.5 (2)
O3-C9-C10-O4	-72.1(3)	S1-C1-C20-N2	92.0 (2)
S2-C11-C15-N1	-72.0 (3)		

Table 2 Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
C15-H15A····O4	0.99	2.54	2.941 (3)	104
C15−H15B···O6	0.99	2.45	2.914 (4)	108
C16-H16A···O7	0.99	2.36	2.828 (4)	108
C19−H19B···O8	0.99	2.34	2.859 (3)	112
C26-H26A···O6	0.95	2.56	2.923 (3)	103
C29-H29A···O9	0.95	2.50	2.885 (3)	104
C32-H32A···O7	0.95	2.57	3.386 (3)	145
C33-H33A···O5	0.95	2.59	3.450 (3)	151
$C13-H13A\cdots O6^{i}$	0.95	2.53	3.245 (4)	132
$C27 - H27B \cdots O8^{ii}$	0.98	2.58	3.463 (3)	149
$C29-H29A\cdots O9^{iii}$	0.95	2.48	3.221 (3)	135

Symmetry codes: (i) x, y + 1, z; (ii)  $-x, y - \frac{1}{2}, -z + \frac{3}{2}$ ; (iii) -x + 1, -y, -z + 2.

H atoms were included in calculated positions and treated as riding atoms, with C-H = 0.95–0.99 Å and with  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$ , or  $1.5U_{eq}(C)$  for methyl groups.

Data collection: *IPDS-I* (Stoe & Cie, 2000); cell refinement: *IPDS-I*; data reduction: *IPDS-I*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *PLATON* (Spek, 2003); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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