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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
 $T = 298\text{ K}$
Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003\text{ \AA}$
 R factor = 0.055
 wR factor = 0.148
Data-to-parameter ratio = 13.4For details of how these key indicators were
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Naphthalene-2,7-diol–imidazole (1/1)

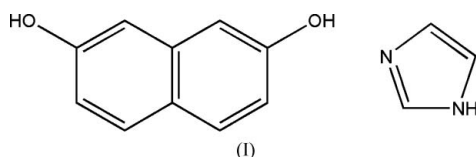
The asymmetric unit of the title structure, $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_8\text{O}_2 \cdot \text{C}_3\text{H}_4\text{N}_2$, contains two independent naphthalene-2,7-diol molecules and two independent imidazole molecules. In the crystal structure, molecules are linked by intermolecular $\text{O}-\text{H} \cdots \text{N}$, $\text{N}-\text{H} \cdots \text{O}$ and $\text{O}-\text{H} \cdots \text{O}$ hydrogen bonds, forming one-dimensional chains propagating along [100].

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Comment

Currently, hydrogen bonding is important in the areas of crystal engineering, supramolecular chemistry, materials science, and biological recognition (Desiraju, 1989; Jeffrey & Saenger, 1991; Holman *et al.*, 2001). Recently, the structures of a series of supramolecules which contain angular dipyrindyl base compounds and some acids have been determined (Wang *et al.*, 2005*a,b*; Wang, Tang, Qin & Duan, 2006; Wang Tang, & Qin, 2006). To further explore the properties of cocrystalline materials of heterocyclic bases with angular acid components and to further understand the role of synthons in crystal engineering, we have prepared a 1:1 cocrystal of naphthalene-2,7-diol (ndo) and imidazole (im).



A view of the asymmetric unit is shown in Fig. 1; it consists of two independent ndo molecules and two independent molecules of im. In the crystal structure, one-dimensional chains are formed along [100], *via* $\text{O}-\text{H} \cdots \text{O}$, $\text{O}-\text{H} \cdots \text{N}$ and $\text{N}-\text{H} \cdots \text{O}$ hydrogen bonds (Table 1 and Fig. 2).

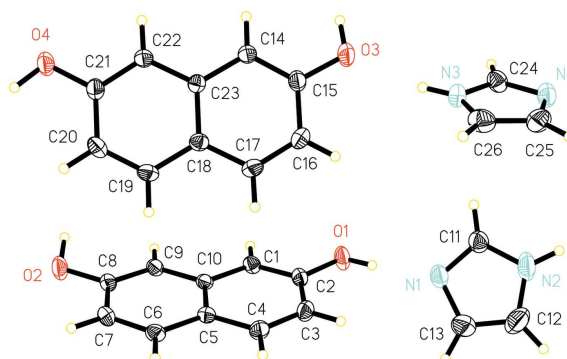


Figure 1

View of the asymmetric unit of (I), showing displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 30% probability level and H atoms as small spheres.

Experimental

To a solution of naphthalene-2,7-diol (80 mg 0.5 mmol) in methanol (5 ml), a solution of imidazole (80 mg 0.5 mmol) in methanol (5 ml) was added. The mixture was filtered. After one week, colourless block-shaped crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction were obtained. Analysis found (%): C 68.29, H 5.34, N 12.19; requires (%): C 68.41, H 5.30, N 12.27.

Crystal data

$C_{10}H_8O_2 \cdot C_3H_4N_2$	$Z = 8$
$M_r = 228.25$	$D_x = 1.337 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
Monoclinic, $P2_1/n$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$a = 14.200 (3) \text{ \AA}$	$\mu = 0.09 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$b = 7.2927 (18) \text{ \AA}$	$T = 298 (2) \text{ K}$
$c = 22.375 (5) \text{ \AA}$	Block, colourless
$\beta = 101.921 (4)^\circ$	$0.30 \times 0.20 \times 0.20 \text{ mm}$
$V = 2267.1 (9) \text{ \AA}^3$	

Data collection

Bruker SMART APEX CCD diffractometer	11814 measured reflections
φ and ω scans	4431 independent reflections
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)	3000 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
$T_{\min} = 0.973$, $T_{\max} = 0.982$	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.032$
	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 26.0^\circ$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.055$	
$wR(F^2) = 0.148$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0783P)^2]$
$S = 1.02$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
4431 reflections	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$
331 parameters	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.17 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
	$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.30 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

Table 1

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

$D-H \cdots A$	$D-H$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D-H \cdots A$
O1—H1 \cdots N1	0.90 (2)	1.81 (2)	2.703 (2)	171 (2)
N3—H3 \cdots O3	0.85 (3)	2.01 (3)	2.850 (3)	169 (2)
N2—H2 \cdots O2 ⁱ	0.91 (3)	2.15 (3)	2.908 (3)	141 (3)
O2—H2A \cdots O4 ⁱⁱ	0.95 (2)	1.78 (2)	2.711 (2)	169 (2)
O3—H3B \cdots O1 ⁱⁱⁱ	0.90 (3)	1.89 (3)	2.786 (2)	171 (3)
O4—H4 \cdots N4 ^{iv}	0.94 (3)	1.75 (3)	2.688 (2)	172 (2)

Symmetry codes: (i) $x+1, y, z$; (ii) $-x, -y+1, -z$; (iii) $-x+1, -y+1, -z$; (iv) $x-1, y, z$.

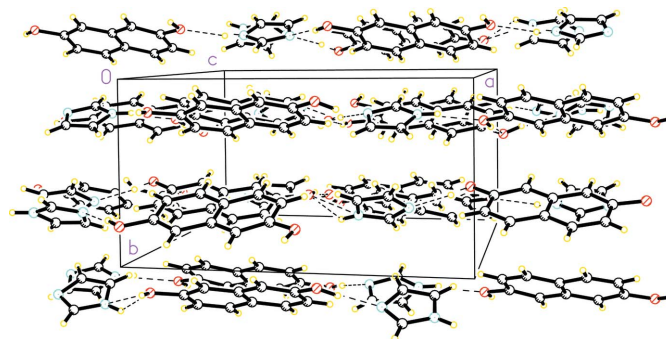


Figure 2

Packing plot, showing hydrogen bonds as dashed lines.

H atoms bonded to N and O atoms were freely refined with isotropic displacement parameters. All C-bound H atoms were placed in geometrically idealized positions and refined in the riding-model approximation, with $C-H = 0.93 \text{ \AA}$ and $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$.

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 2001); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2001); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 1999); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL.

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