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#### **Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 293 K Mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.004 Å R factor = 0.061 wR factor = 0.150 Data-to-parameter ratio = 18.1

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# 2-(1,3-Benzothiazol-2-yloxy)-N-(4-fluorophenyl)-N-isopropylacetamide

The asymmetric unit of the title compound,  $C_{18}H_{17}FN_2O_2S$ , contains two independent molecules related by a pseudoinversion centre. The molecular packing is stabilized by C–  $H \cdots O$  and C– $H \cdots \pi$  interactions. Received 18 July 2006 Accepted 19 July 2006

#### Comment

We have reported the crystal structures of two nitrophenoxybased herbicides produced by a commerical herbicide company in China (Gao & Ng, 2005*a*,*b*). We report here the crystal structure of the title compound, (I), a benzothiazolyloxy-bearing acetamide, which has bulky substituents on the amino N atom. The Cambridge Structural Database (Version 5.27; Allen, 2002) contains only one example of a benzothiazolyl ether compound, *viz.* ethyl 3-[4-(benzothiazol-2-yloxy)hydroxyphenyl]propionate (Mereiter & Mutuszczak, 2002).



Compound (I) crystallizes with two independent molecules in the asymmetric unit (Fig. 1), which are related by a pseudo inversion centre at (0.243, 0.876, 0.496). Bond lengths and angles observed in the two molecules are similar but the molecules have slightly different orientations for the isopropyl groups.

The crystal packing of (I) is stabilized by  $C-H\cdots O$  hydrogen bonds and  $C-H\cdots \pi$  interactions involving the aromatic C1-C6 and C19-C24 rings (Table 1).

#### **Experimental**

The title compound was purchased from Tianjian Bodi Chemical Reagent Company and recrystallized from ethanol.

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#### Crystal data

C18H17FN2O2S  $M_r = 344.40$ Monoclinic,  $P2_1/c$ a = 17.747 (2) Å b = 15.266 (2) Å c = 13.299 (1) Å  $\beta = 108.243 \ (6)^{\circ}$ V = 3422.1 (7) Å<sup>3</sup>

### Data collection

Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$  $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_0^2) + (0.0687P)^2]$  $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.061$   $wR(F^2) = 0.150$ S=1.01 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$  $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.17 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$ 7827 reflections 433 parameters  $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.13 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$ H-atom parameters constrained

#### Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

Cg1 and Cg2 are the centroids of the C19-C24 and C1-C6 rings, respectively.

Z = 8

 $D_x = 1.337 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ 

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation

Block, colourless

 $0.4 \times 0.3 \times 0.2$  mm

32053 measured reflections

7827 independent reflections

4363 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

 $\mu = 0.21 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ 

T = 293 (2) K

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.066$  $\theta_{\rm max} = 27.5^{\circ}$ 

> + 0.4362P] where  $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - H \cdots A$
C23-H23···O2 <sup>i</sup>	0.93	2.52	3.289 (4)	140
$C12-H12\cdots Cg1^{ii}$	0.93	2.70	3.573 (3)	156
$C15 - H15 \cdots Cg2^{iii}$	0.93	2.70	3.509 (3)	146
$C29-H29\cdots Cg1^{iv}$	0.93	2.78	3.617 (3)	151

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

H atoms were positioned geometrically [C-H = 0.93-0.98 Å] and were included in the refinement in the riding-model approximation, with  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2$  or 1.5 (methyl) times  $U_{eq}(C)$ .

Data collection: RAPID-AUTO (Rigaku, 1998); cell refinement: RAPID-AUTO; data reduction: CrystalStructure (Rigaku/MSC, 2002); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: ORTEPII (Johnson, 1976); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.



#### Figure 1

The asymmetric unit of (I). Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level and H atoms are shown as spheres of arbitrary radii.

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