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#### **Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 123 K Mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.003 Å R factor = 0.034 wR factor = 0.087 Data-to-parameter ratio = 17.2

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# (4-Bromophenyl)(5-dimethylamino-1,1-dioxo-2-phenyl-1,2-dihydro-1 $\lambda^6$ ,2,4,6-thiatriazin-3-yl)methanone

The title compound,  $C_{17}H_{15}BrN_4O_3S$ , was formed by baseassisted *N*-alkylation of (1,1-dioxo-2-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-1*H*- $1\lambda^6$ ,2,3,5-thiatriazol-4-yl)dimethylamine with *p*-bromophenacyl bromide, followed by ring expansion and aerial oxidation to form an unusual 5-acyl-substituted 3-amino-1,1-dioxo-1,2,4,6-thiatriazine. The thiatriazine ring adopts an envelope conformation, with the S atom displaced by 0.308 (2) Å from the plane of the other five atoms.

### Comment

We have been investigating methods for the preparation of a diverse range of sulfur-containing heterocycles with potential biological activity (Fallon, Jahangiri et al., 2005; Fallon, Francis et al., 2005). We recently reported the structure of a 1,1-dioxo-1,2,4,6-thiatriazine obtained from the base-assisted N-alkylation of {2-(3,5-dichlorophenyl)-1,1-dioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H- $1\lambda^{6}$ -[1,2,3,5]thiatriazol-4-yl}dimethylamine with methyl 2bromopropanoate, followed by a novel base-promoted ringexpansion reaction (Duggan et al., 2005). We report here the structure of the product obtained from a similar reaction, this time between the thiazole, (I), and *p*-bromophenacyl bromide, using a stepwise addition of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>. As in the previous example, the lack of contiguous NMR-responsive nuclei in the product meant that an X-ray structural study was necessary to confirm the identity of the product. Crystals suitable for X-ray analysis were formed by crystallization from dichloromethane/ethyl acetate (1:1). X-ray analysis confirmed that the product was the title 1,2,4,6-thiatriazine dioxide, (II).



The molecular structure of (II) is shown in Fig. 1. The thiatriazine heterocycle adopts an envelope conformation, with atom S1 0.308 (2) Å out of the N2/C2/N3/C1/N1 plane. The N2/S1/N1 plane subtends an angle of 17.5 (1)° with the above plane. This confirms the non-aromatic character of this unsaturated heterocycle and is consistent with that observed in a related 3-methoxy-1,1-dioxo-1,2,4,6-thiatriazine (Hamprecht *et al.*, 1985). The short C2—N4 bond length of 1.328 (3) Å and the coplanarity of the guanidinium-type unit defined by C17/N4/C16/C2/N2/N3 indicate significant conju-

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## Figure 1





#### Figure 2

View of the crystal structure of (II) showing  $\pi$ -stacking interactions. H atoms have been omitted.

gation in this region. The shorter S1–N2 bond length of 1.561 (2) Å suggests that this bond is also partially conjugated with the above system. A similar effect is not observed with the S1–N1 bond, presumably because the torsion angle N3–C1–C3–O3 is 95.5 (2)°, thus limiting conjugation. This is also consistent with the unusually long bond length for adjacent  $Csp^2$  atoms of 1.528 (3) Å, seen for the C1–C3 bond.

Interestingly, in the crystal structure of (II), there appears to be intermolecular  $\pi$  stacking occurring between the guanidinium region centred on C2, N4 in another molecule and the non-brominated phenyl ring of a third molecule, as indicated in Fig. 2.

A publication detailing the scope of the uncommon ringexpansion reaction that produced compound (II) is currently in preparation.

## **Experimental**

The title compound was prepared from the phenylthiatriazole dioxide, (I) (100 mg, 0.42 mmol), by an initial 5 min treatment with NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (42 mg, 0.50 mmol) in N,N-dimethylformamide (1 ml) at room temperature, followed by the addition of *p*-bromophenacyl bromide (139 mg, 0.50 mmol) dissolved in N,N-dimethylformamide (0.5 ml). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h. K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (71 mg, 0.51 mmol) was then added and stirring was continued for a further 5 d. The reaction mixture was diluted with water (5 ml) and diethyl ether (2 ml), and then extracted with  $CHCl_3$  (3×), and the combined organic layers were washed with water  $(2\times)$ , dried  $(MgSO_4)$ , filtered and concentrated to yield the product (102 mg, 56%) as an orange foam. A sample was further purified by radial chromatography using a hexane/ethyl acetate solvent gradient then recrystallized from dichloromethane/ethyl acetate (1:1) to give colourless needles suitable for X-ray analysis. m/z (APCI, +ve, MeOH:CH<sub>3</sub>CN:H<sub>2</sub>O 2:1:1) 435, 437 (M+1). Analysis, calculated for C17H15BrN4O3S: C 46.91, H 3.47, N 12.87, S 7.37%; found: C 47.17, H 3.53, N 12.89, S 7.08%. M.p. 427-429 K.

Crystal data C17H15BrN4O3S Z = 8 $M_{\rm r} = 435.3$  $D_x = 1.631 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Monoclinic, C2/c Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation a = 23.4478 (3) Å  $\mu = 2.46 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ b = 10.0971 (2) Å T = 123 (2) K c = 15.2847 (2) Å Block, colourless  $\beta = 101.518(1)^{\circ}$  $0.25 \times 0.25 \times 0.1 \text{ mm}$  $V = 3545.85 (10) \text{ Å}^3$ 

## Data collection

Nonius KappaCCD diffractometer	18424 measured reflections
Absorption correction: empirical	4071 independent reflections
(using intensity measurements)	3411 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
(SORTAV; Otwinowski & Minor,	$R_{\rm int} = 0.042$
1997)	$\theta_{\rm max} = 27.5^{\circ}$
$T_{\min} = 0.578, \ T_{\max} = 0.791$	

#### Refinement

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Refinement on $F^2$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.044P)^2]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.035$	+ 4.5742P]
$wR(F^2) = 0.087$	where $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 1.05	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$
4071 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 1.15 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
237 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.60 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
H-atom parameters constrained	

H atoms were placed in calculated positions, with C–H distances ranging from 0.95 to 0.98 Å, and included in the refinement in the riding-model approximation with  $U_{\rm iso}({\rm H}) = 1.2U_{\rm eq}({\rm C})$ , or  $U_{\rm iso}({\rm H}) = 1.5U_{\rm eq}({\rm C})$  for methyl H atoms. The highest residual density peak is located 0.93 Å from atom Br1.

Data collection: *COLLECT* (Nonius, 2000); cell refinement: *DENZO*–SMN (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997); data reduction: *X-SEED* (Barbour, 2001); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: X-SEED and POV-RAY (Persistence of Vision, 2004); software used to prepare material for publication: WinGX (Farrugia, 1999).

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