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Key indicators

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Benzyl 2-(5-methyl-2-pyridylaminocarbonyl)pyrrolidine-2-carboxylate

In the title compound, $C_{19}H_{21}N_3O_3$, the pyrrolidine ring possesses an envelope conformation. The crystal packing is stabilized by $N-H\cdots O$ and $C-H\cdots O$ hydrogen bonds.

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Comment

The title compound, (I), is an important inhibitor of peptidyl deformylase (Patel *et al.*, 2002). Its crystal structure is reported here.



The molecular structure of (I) is shown in Fig. 1. Bond lengths and angles in (I) are normal. The pyrrolidine ring possesses an envelope conformation. The dihedral angle between the C6-benzene and O1/O2/N1/C8 planes is $47.51 (7)^{\circ}$ and that between the N3-pyridine and O3/N2/C12/ C13 planes is $6.74 (6)^{\circ}$. The crystal packing is stabilized by N— H···O and C—H···O hydrogen bonds (Table 1).

Experimental

N-Carbobenzyloxy-L-proline (2.0 g, 8.0 mmol) and triethylamine (0.81 g, 8.0 mmol) were dissolved in tetrahydrofuran (30 ml). To the solution was added dropwise ethyl chloroformate (0.88 g, 8.0 mmol) at 273 K. The solution was stirred for 30 min, and then 5-methyl-pyridin-2-amine (8.0 mmol) was added over a period of 15 min. The resulting solution was stirred at 273 K for 1 h and at room temperature for a further 16 h, and was then refluxed for 3 h. After it had been cooled to room temperature, the solution was diluted with ethyl acetate. After filtration and removal of the solvent under reduced pressure, the residue was purified through column chromatography on silica gel to give compound (I). Colourless single crystals of (I) were obtained by recrystallization from an ethanol solution.

Crystal data

 $\begin{array}{l} C_{19}H_{21}N_{3}O_{3}\\ M_{r}=339.39\\ \text{Orthorhombic, }P2_{1}2_{1}2_{1}\\ a=9.2716\ (3)\ \text{\AA}\\ b=11.4256\ (3)\ \text{\AA}\\ c=16.4220\ (4)\ \text{\AA}\\ V=1739.64\ (8)\ \text{\AA}^{3} \end{array}$

Z = 4 D_x = 1.296 Mg m⁻³ Mo K α radiation μ = 0.09 mm⁻¹ T = 153 (2) K Block, colourless 0.60 × 0.39 × 0.30 mm

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Data collection

Rigaku R-AXIS RAPID diffractometer ω scans Absorption correction: none 17024 measured reflections

Refinement

Refinement on F^2 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.028$ $wR(F^2) = 0.072$ S = 1.032272 reflections 232 parameters H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement 2272 independent reflections 2217 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $R_{\text{int}} = 0.015$ $\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.5^{\circ}$

$$\begin{split} &w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_{\rm o}{}^2) + (0.0439P)^2 \\ &+ 0.268P] \\ &\text{where } P = (F_{\rm o}{}^2 + 2F_{\rm c}{}^2)/3 \\ (\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001 \\ \Delta\rho_{\rm max} = 0.21 \text{ e } \text{\AA}{}^{-3} \\ \Delta\rho_{\rm min} = -0.13 \text{ e } \text{\AA}{}^{-3} \\ &\text{Extinction correction: } SHELXL97 \\ &\text{Extinction coefficient: } 0.0120 (17) \end{split}$$

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
$N2-H2N\cdots O2^{i}$	0.86 (2)	2.09 (2)	2.9273 (15)	162.5 (17)
C3-H3···O3 ⁱⁱ	0.95	2.59	3.3869 (18)	142
$C12-H12\cdots O2^{i}$	1.00	2.58	3.3024 (16)	129
$C16-H16\cdots O3^{iii}$	0.95	2.54	3.4664 (17)	165
Symmetry codes: $x - \frac{1}{2}, -y + \frac{3}{2}, -z + 1.$	(i) $-x+1$,	$y - \frac{1}{2}, -z + \frac{1}{2};$	(ii) $-x, y - \frac{1}{2}$	$, -z + \frac{1}{2};$ (iii)

Atom H2N was located in a difference Fourier map and refined isotropically. Other H atoms were placed in calculated positions, with C-H = 0.95-1.00 Å, and refined using a riding model, with $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$. The torsion angle for the methyl group was refined to fit the electron density. In the absence of significant anomalous scattering effects, Friedel pairs were averaged.

Data collection: *RAPID-AUTO* (Rigaku, 2004); cell refinement: *RAPID-AUTO*; data reduction: *RAPID-AUTO*; 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*.



Figure 1

The molecular structure of (I), shown with 30% probability displacement ellipsoids (arbitrary spheres for H atoms).

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