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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 298 KMean σ (C–C) = 0.004 Å R factor = 0.053 wR factor = 0.119 Data-to-parameter ratio = 13.6

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3-(2-Ethoxyphenyl)-6-(phenoxymethyl)-1,2,4-triazolo[3,4-b][1,3,4]thiadiazole

In the title compound, $C_{18}H_{16}N_4O_2S$, the central heterocyclic system formed by the five-membered triazole and thiadiazole rings is planar. The bond lengths within the system indicate some degree of delocalization.

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Comment

1,2,4-Triazolo[3,4-*b*][1,3,4]thiadiazoles possessing the properties of triazoles (Feng *et al.*, 2000) and thiadiazoles (Zhao *et al.*, 2001) are associated with diverse pharmacological activities, such as antimicrobial, bactericidal, anti-inflammatory, antiviral, antihypertensive, anthelmintic and analgesic activities (Zhang *et al.*, 1994; Gupta *et al.*, 1996).



The molecule of the title compound, (I), contains two fivemembered rings, which are essentially coplanar, the dihedral angle between them being 0.6 (3)°. The C1-benzene and C11benzene rings are twisted with respect to the thiadizaole ring, with dihedral angles of 48.7 (2) and 150.2 (3)°, respectively.

Bond lengths within the heterocyclic system (Table 1) indicate some degree of delocalization and agree with those found in similar structures (Fornies-Marquina *et al.*, 1974; Molina *et al.*, 1989; Zhang *et al.*, 1996; Chen *et al.*, 2000; Dong *et al.*, 2002).

Experimental

Compound (I) was prepared in 81% yield from 4-amino-3-(2-ethoxyphenyl)-5-mercapto-1,2,4-triazole (5.0 mmol) and phenoxy-acetic acid (5.5 mmol) in phosphorus oxychloride (20 ml). The reaction mixture was refluxed for 7 h, then poured into crushed ice

© 2006 International Union of Crystallography All rights reserved gradually with stirring. Solid potassium hydroxide was added until the pH = 8. After being allowed to stand overnight, the precipitate was filtered off, washed with cold water, dried and recrystallized from absolute ethanol to afford single crystals of (I).

Crystal data

 $\begin{array}{l} C_{18}H_{16}N_4O_2S\\ M_r = 352.41\\ Monoclinic, P2_1/n\\ a = 10.2328 (9) \text{ Å}\\ b = 8.4172 (7) \text{ Å}\\ c = 20.2015 (18) \text{ Å}\\ \beta = 98.983 (2)^{\circ}\\ V = 1718.6 (3) \text{ Å}^3 \end{array}$

Data collection

Bruker APEX area-detector diffractometer φ and ω scans Absorption correction: none 8831 measured reflections

Refinement

Refinement on F^2 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.053$ $wR(F^2) = 0.119$ S = 1.093086 reflections 227 parameters H-atom parameters constrained Z = 4 $D_x = 1.362 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo K\alpha radiation $\mu = 0.21 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 298 (2) KRod, colorless $0.22 \times 0.21 \times 0.20 \text{ mm}$

3086 independent reflections 2560 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $R_{\text{int}} = 0.030$ $\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.2^{\circ}$

 $w = 1/[\sigma^{2}(F_{o}^{2}) + (0.0471P)^{2} + 0.4939P]$ where $P = (F_{o}^{2} + 2F_{c}^{2})/3$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.001$ $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.22 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$ $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.20 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$

Methyl H atoms were placed in calculated positions, with C–H = 0.96 Å and $U_{\rm iso}({\rm H}) = 1.5U_{\rm eq}({\rm C})$. Other H atoms were positioned geometrically, with C–H = 0.93 (aromatic) or 0.97 Å (methylene), and refined in riding mode, with $U_{\rm iso}({\rm H}) = 1.2U_{\rm eq}({\rm C})$.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2002); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2002); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Bruker, 2002); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.



Figure 1

The molecular structure of (I), shown with 50% probability displacement ellipsoids (arbitrary spheres for H atoms).

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