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#### **Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 291 K Mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.004 Å R factor = 0.058 wR factor = 0.132 Data-to-parameter ratio = 16.9

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# 4-[(4-Ethoxyphenyl)aminoacetyl]-6,7-dimethyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroquinoxalin-2-one

All the interatomic distances in the title compound,  $C_{22}H_{25}N_3O_4$ , are normal. The heteroatom ring of the quinoxalinone system shows a half-chair conformation, slightly distorted towards a sofa. In the crystal structure, the molecules dimerize *via* a pair of N-H···O hydrogen bonds. The dimers are linked by C-H···O and possible C-H- $\pi$  interactions into a three-dimensional network.

## Comment

The present work is a continuation of our studies of derivatives of 2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1*H*-1,4,7-benzotriazine-2,5dione (see, for example, Mikiciuk-Olasik *et al.*, 1994). Such compounds possess important pharmacological properties (see, for example, Bartczak *et al.*, 1995) and also have applications in environmental protection (Num *et al.*, 1983).



The crystal structures of four derivatives of this family have been described previously, namely N,N'-bis(2-(4-ethoxyphenyl)amino)-4,5-dimethyl-o-phenylenediamine, (III) (Kruszynski *et al.*, 2001), 4-[(4-ethoxyphenyl)aminoacetyl]-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroquinoxalin-2-one, (VA) (Kruszynski *et al.*, 2002a), 4-(2-benzylamino-1-oxoethyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-6,7dimethylquinoxalin-2-one (Kruszynski *et al.*, 2002b) and 4-(2benzylamino-1-oxoethyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroquinoxalin-2-one (Kruszynski *et al.*, 2006). We now describe the synthesis and crystal structure of the title compound, (V) (Fig. 1), in which all the interatomic distances can be considered normal.

The molecular geometry of the fused ring system of (V) is comparable with those of the above-mentioned compounds. The puckered heteroatom ring (C1/C6–C8/N1/N2) in (V) shows a half-chair conformation, slightly distorted towards a sofa, with a local pseudo-twofold axis passing through the midpoints of the N1–C8 and N2–C6 bonds. The values of the asymmetry parameters (Duax & Norton, 1975) are  $\Delta C_2(N1-$  Received 30 August 2006 Accepted 11 September 2006

1787 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.054$ 

 $\theta_{\rm max} = 27.6^{\circ}$ 

3 standard reflections

every 100 reflections

intensity decay: 4.2%



### Figure 1

The molecular structure of (V). Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level and H atoms have been omitted for clarity.



## Figure 2

Part of the molecular packing of (V), showing intermolecular N-H···O and  $C-H \cdots O$  hydrogen bonds (dashed lines) creating a chain structure.

C8) = 10.00 (4)° and  $\Delta C_s(N1)$  = 17.51 (7)°. The total puckering amplitude  $Q_{\rm T} = 0.421$  (7) Å (Cremer & Pople, 1975) lies within the range of 0.391-0.439 Å found for the abovementioned similar compounds. Atomic deviations from the mean plane defined by atoms C1-C6/N1/N2 are: C7 0.441 (5), C8 0.767 (5), O1 0.586 (6), C9 0.034 (10), C10 - 0.188 (10) and C11 - 0.892 (4) Å. The aromatic ring of the ethoxyphenyl unit makes a dihedral angle of  $43.19(9)^{\circ}$  with the quinolinone plane (N1/N2/C1-C8).

The conformations of the side chains in (V) and (VA) show some significant differences, although the molecules differ only in two methyl groups attached to the 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroquinoxalin-2-one unit. For example, the C12-N12-C13-C14 torsion angle in (V) is 104.2  $(3)^{\circ}$ , and the equivalent angle in (VA) is 75.5 (4)°. The C11-C12-N12-C13 angle in (V) is 109.7 (3)°, while that in (VA) is 93.1 (3)°.

The molecules of (V) create dimers via inversion symmetrygenerated pairs of  $N-H \cdots O$  hydrogen bonds (Table 1). These dimers are linked by  $C-H \cdots O$  interactions into chains propagating along the [111] axis (Fig. 2). A very acute intramolecular C-H···O bond and two weak intermolecular C- $H \cdots \pi$  interactions (Table 1) may also affect the crystal packing of (V).

## **Experimental**

Compound (V) was prepared according to the method depicted in the scheme. Compound (I) (Kruszynski et al., 2006) (0.02 mol) was dissolved in anhydrous ethanol (500 ml) with fine-powdered sodium carbonate (0.07 mol). 1-Amino-4-ethoxybenzene (0.02 mol) was then

added and the reaction mixture was heated at boiling point under reflux for 10 h. The solvent was then distilled off and the dry residue was recrystallized from ethanol. Compound (II), and small amounts of compounds (III) and (IV), were isolated by fractional crystallization of the solid residue. Compound (II) (0.01 mol) was dissolved in ethanoic anhydride (40 ml) and the mixture was heated at boiling point for 1 h. The solvent was then distilled off and the dry residue was recrystallized from ethanol to yield crystals of (V). Elemental analysis, calculated for C222H25N3O4 (found): C 66.82 (66.65), H 6.34 (6.32), N 10.63 (10.69), O (by difference) 16.21 (15.99)%. Yield 85%, m.p. 496-497 K. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (in DMSO/TMS, δ, p.p.m.): 1.55 [t, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>(Et), J = 7 Hz], 1.95 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>CO), 2.4 (s, 6H, 2CH<sub>3</sub>-ar), 4.25 [q, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>(Et), J = 7 Hz], 4.5 (s, 2H, ar-NHCH<sub>2</sub>CON-ar), 4.75 (s, 2H, ar-NHCH<sub>2</sub>CON-ar), 7.25 [m, 6H, H(ar)], 11.00 (s, 1H, NHCO).

## Crystal data

$C_{22}H_{25}N_3O_4$	V = 1031.1 (4) Å <sup>3</sup>
$M_r = 395.45$	Z = 2
Triclinic, $P\overline{1}$	$D_x = 1.274 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$a = 6.634 (1) \text{ Å}_{-}$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
b = 10.547 (2) Å	$\mu = 0.09 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
c = 15.276 (3) Å	T = 291.0 (3) K
$\alpha = 94.21 \ (3)^{\circ}$	Needle, colourless
$\beta = 90.10 \ (3)^{\circ}$	$0.35 \times 0.11 \times 0.07 \text{ mm}$
$\gamma = 104.64 \ (3)^{\circ}$	

## Data collection

Kuma KM-4 diffractometer  $\omega/2\theta$  scans Absorption correction:  $\psi$  scan (North et al., 1968)  $T_{\min} = 0.971, \ T_{\max} = 0.996$ 4993 measured reflections 4518 independent reflections

#### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_0^2) + (0.0454P)^2]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.058$	where $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$wR(F^2) = 0.132$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$
S = 0.87	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.18 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
4518 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.20 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
267 parameters	Extinction correction: SHELXL97
H-atom parameters constrained	(Sheldrick, 1997)
	Extinction coefficient: 0.018 (2)

## Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

Cg1 and Cg2 are the centroids of the C1- and C13-containing rings, respectively.

$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
$N2-H2N\cdotsO1^{i}$	0.99	1.88	2.852 (3)	166
C8−H8A···O11	0.97	2.30	2.736 (3)	107
C19−H19B···O11 <sup>ii</sup>	0.97	2.46	3.380 (4)	158
$C15 - H15 \cdots Cg1^{iii}$	0.93	2.83	3.652 (5)	148
$C22-H22C\cdots Cg2^{iv}$	0.96	2.72	3.474 (5)	136

Symmetry codes: (i) -x + 3, -y + 2, -z + 2; (ii) -x + 2, -y + 1, -z + 1; (iii) -x + 2, -y + 2, -z + 1; (iv) x + 1, y, z.

The N-bound H atom was located in a difference map and refined as riding in its as-found relative position. The C-bound H atoms were positioned geometrically (C-H = 0.93-0.99 Å) and refined as riding. The methyl groups were allowed to rotate about their local threefold axis.  $U_{iso}(H)$  was set equal to  $1.2U_{eq}(carrier)$  or  $1.5U_{eq}(methyl)$ carrier).

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