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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 294 K Mean σ (C–C) = 0.004 Å R factor = 0.043 wR factor = 0.127 Data-to-parameter ratio = 12.3

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4-Phthalimidobenzoic acid *N*,*N*-dimethylformamide solvate

The crystal structure of the title compound, $C_{15}H_9NO_4$. C_3H_7NO , comprises 4-phthalimidobenzoic acid and *N*,*N*-dimethylformamide (DMF) molecules, which are held together by an O-H···O hydrogen bond. The dihedral angle between the phthalimide group and the benzene ring is 53.5 (2)°.

Comment

Phthalimides and N-substituted phthalimides are an important class of compounds because of their interesting biological activities (Lima *et al.*, 2002; Orzeszka *et al.*, 2000; Bailleux *et al.*, 1993). Phthalimides are also used as starting materials and intermediates for the syntheses of alkaloids (Couture *et al.*, 1998) and pharmacophores (Couture *et al.*, 1997).



The asymmetric unit of (I) contains one 4-phthalimidobenzoic acid molecule and one DMF molecule (Fig. 1). The phthalimide group is essentially planar, with a mean deviation of 0.027 (2) Å. The dihedral angle between the phthalimide group and the benzene C9–C14 ring is 53.5 (2)°. The DMF molecule is planar, within 0.006 (2) Å, for all non-H atoms. The crystal structure is stabilized by an O–H···O hydrogen bond which connects the benzoic acid and DMF molecules and by a C–H···O hydrogen bond which links the DMF molecules (Fig. 2 and Table 1).

Experimental

A mixture of phthalimide (0.1 mol) and 4-aminobenzoic acid (0.1 mol) in acetic acid (40 ml) was refluxed for 3 h. After cooling, filtration and drying, 4-phthalimidobenzoic acid was obtained (m.p. 562–563 K). This compound (10 mg) was dissolved in acetic acid / DMF (2.5:1 ν/ν ; 12 ml) and the solution was allowed to evaporate at room temperature. Colourless single crystals of the title compound were formed after 20 d.

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Crystal data

 $\begin{array}{l} C_{15}H_{9}NO_{4} \cdot C_{3}H_{7}NO \\ M_{r} = 340.33 \\ \text{Triclinic, } P\overline{1} \\ a = 5.926 \ (2) \ \mathring{A} \\ b = 8.398 \ (3) \ \mathring{A} \\ c = 17.518 \ (7) \ \mathring{A} \\ \alpha = 95.986 \ (7)^{\circ} \\ \beta = 90.837 \ (7)^{\circ} \\ \gamma = 109.706 \ (6)^{\circ} \end{array}$

Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer φ and ω scans Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SADABS*; Bruker, 1997) $T_{\rm min} = 0.966, T_{\rm max} = 0.978$

Refinement

 Refinement on F^2 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.065P)^2]$
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.044$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.127$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.003$

 S = 1.02 $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.16 \text{ e } \text{ Å}^{-3}$

 2819 reflections
 $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.17 \text{ e } \text{ Å}^{-3}$

 230 parameters
 Extinction correction: SHELXL97

 H-atom parameters constrained
 Extinction coefficient: 0.084 (7)

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	$D-\mathrm{H}$	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
$\begin{array}{c} O3-H3\cdots O5^{i}\\ C17-H17A\cdots O5^{ii} \end{array}$	0.82	1.76	2.573 (3)	169
	0.96	2.52	3.269 (4)	135

V = 815.1 (5) Å³

 $D_x = 1.387 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$

Mo $K\alpha$ radiation

Block, colourless

 $0.34 \times 0.30 \times 0.22~\text{mm}$

4122 measured reflections

2819 independent reflections

1777 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

 $\mu = 0.10 \text{ mm}^-$

T = 294 (2) K

 $\begin{array}{l} R_{\rm int}=0.024\\ \theta_{\rm max}=25.0^\circ \end{array}$

Z = 2

Symmetry codes: (i) x + 1, y + 1, z; (ii) x + 1, y, z.

H atoms were positioned geometrically (C–H = 0.93–0.96 and O–H = 0.82 Å) and refined as riding, with $U_{\rm iso}({\rm H}) = 1.2U_{\rm eq}({\rm C})$ or $1.5U_{\rm eq}({\rm methyl}\ {\rm C}, {\rm O}).$

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 1997); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 1997); 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, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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Figure 1

The molecular structure of (I), with 30% probability displacement ellipsoids.





The packing of (I), viewed along the *a* axis. Dashed lines indicate $O-H \cdots O$ hydrogen bonds.

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