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Single-crystal X-ray study T = 293 K Mean σ (C–C) = 0.004 Å R factor = 0.059 wR factor = 0.169 Data-to-parameter ratio = 14.8

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N-(2,6-Dimethylphenyl)-2-{2-[3-(3-methoxy-phenyl)-1,2,4-oxadiazol-5-yl]phenoxy}acetamide

In the title compound, $C_{25}H_{23}N_3O_4$, a bifurcated intramolecular N-H···(O,N) hydrogen bond helps to establish the molecular conformation. Received 8 November 2006 Accepted 8 November 2006

Comment

1,2,4-Oxadiazole derivatives possess biological properties, such as intrinsic analgesic (Terashita *et al.*, 2002) and antipicornaviral (Romero, 2001) effects. As part of our studies in this area, we report here the synthesis and crystal structure of the title compound, (I) (Fig. 1).



The dihedral angles between the N1/O2/C9/N2/C8 ring and the attached benzene rings are 7.40 (19) and 4.10 (18) $^{\circ}$ for the C10–C15 and C2–C7 rings, respectively.

An intramolecular bifurcated $N-H\cdots(N,O)$ hydrogen bond (Table 2) helps to establish the molecular conformation of (I). Three short acute intramolecular $C-H\cdots O,N$ close contacts also occur.

Experimental

2-Chloro-*N*-(2,6-dimethylphenyl)acetamide (10 mmol) was dissolved in acetone (100 ml) and potassium carbonate (15 mmol) was added, followed by 5-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-3-(3-methoxyphenyl)-1,2,4-oxadiazole (10 mmol). The resulting mixture was refluxed for 12 h. After cooling and filtration, the crude title compound was obtained; it was purified by recrystallization from ethyl acetate. Crystals of (I) suitable for X-ray diffraction were obtained by slow evaporation of an ethanol solution.

Crystal data	
C ₂₅ H ₂₃ N ₃ O ₄	V = 1091.5 (4) Å ³
$M_r = 429.46$	Z = 2
Triclinic, P1	$D_x = 1.307 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
a = 8.0360 (16) Å	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
b = 11.692 (2) Å	$\mu = 0.09 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
c = 12.780 (3) Å	T = 293 (2) K
$\alpha = 66.93 \ (3)^{\circ}$	Block, colourless
$\beta = 85.56 \ (3)^{\circ}$	$0.30 \times 0.20 \times 0.10 \text{ mm}$
$\gamma = 81.18 \ (3)^{\circ}$	

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Data collection

Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer $\omega/2\theta$ scans Absorption correction: ψ scan (North *et al.*, 1968) $T_{min} = 0.974, T_{max} = 0.991$ 4271 measured reflections

Refinement

Refinement on F^2 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.059$ $wR(F^2) = 0.169$ S = 1.074271 reflections 289 parameters H-atom parameters constrained

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D-\mathrm{H}$	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
C19−H19A···N3	0.96	2.42	2.893 (4)	110
C18-H18A···N3	0.96	2.40	2.873 (4)	110
$C11 - H11A \cdots O2$	0.93	2.41	2.741 (3)	101
$N3-H3A\cdots N2$	0.86	2.53	3.385 (3)	179
N3−H3A···O3	0.86	2.12	2.543 (3)	110

All H atoms were positioned geometrically (N-H = 0.86 Å and C-H = 0.93–0.96 Å) and refined as riding, with $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C,N)$ or $1.5U_{eq}(methyl C)$.

Data collection: *CAD-4 Software* (Enraf–Nonius, 1989); cell refinement: *CAD-4 Software*; data reduction: *XCAD4* (Harms & Wocadlo, 1995); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Siemens, 1996); software used to prepare material for publication: *PLATON* (Spek, 2003).

4271 independent reflections 2740 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $\theta_{max} = 26.0^{\circ}$ 3 standard reflections every 200 reflections intensity decay: none

$$\begin{split} w &= 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0809P)^2 \\ &+ 0.1494P] \\ \text{where } P &= (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3 \\ (\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001 \\ \Delta\rho_{\text{max}} &= 0.31 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3} \\ \Delta\rho_{\text{min}} &= -0.24 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3} \end{split}$$



Figure 1

A view of the molecular structure of (I), showing 40% displacement ellipsoids (arbitrary spheres for the H atoms). Dashed lines indicate hydrogen bonds.

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