

1*H*-Pyrido[3,4-*b*]azepine-2,5(3*H*,4*H*)-dione: a hydrogen-bonded dimeric structure

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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study

$T = 293\text{ K}$

Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003\text{ \AA}$

R factor = 0.050

wR factor = 0.124

Data-to-parameter ratio = 13.4

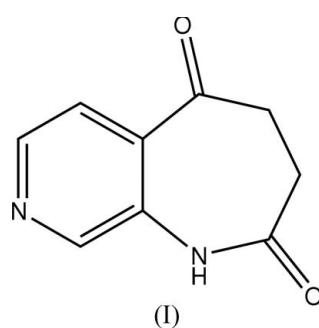
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In the asymmetric unit of the title compound, $\text{C}_9\text{H}_8\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$, there are two crystallographically independent molecules, each of which forms a dimer, *via* $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$ hydrogen bonds, with an inversion-related molecule.

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Comment

The title compound, (I), is an isomer of 6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-5*H*-pyrid[2,3-*b*]azepine-5,8-dione (Gu *et al.*, 2006). It is an intermediate in the synthesis of 1-azakepaullone (Kunick *et al.*, 2004), which is an inhibitor of glycogen synthase kinase-3 (Doble & Woodgett, 2003) and a potential antidiabetic drug (Wagmann & Nuss, 2001).



In the crystal structure of (I), the seven-membered rings in the two crystallographically independent molecules have a half-chair-like conformation. Each independent molecule forms a dimer, *via* $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$ hydrogen bonds, with a molecule related by an inversion center (Fig. 1 and Table 1). These hydrogen bonds generate $R_2^2(8)$ rings (Bernstein *et al.*, 1995). The dimers are connected by weak $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$ and $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$ hydrogen bonds (Fig. 2 and Table 1).

Experimental

The title compound was prepared from 3-aminopyridine (purchased from Shanghai Minghe Chemical Co.) according to a literature method (Estel *et al.*, 1989; Bhaskar & Rajesh, 1996; Kunick *et al.*, 2003). Single crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction were obtained from an ethanol solution.

Crystal data

$\text{C}_9\text{H}_8\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$	$Z = 8$
$M_r = 176.17$	$D_x = 1.466\text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
Monoclinic, $P2_{1}/n$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$a = 11.346(3)\text{ \AA}$	$\mu = 0.11\text{ mm}^{-1}$
$b = 10.708(2)\text{ \AA}$	$T = 293(2)\text{ K}$
$c = 13.161(3)\text{ \AA}$	Needle, colorless
$\beta = 93.219(4)^\circ$	$0.36 \times 0.16 \times 0.11\text{ mm}$
$V = 1596.5(6)\text{ \AA}^3$	

Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer
 φ and ω scans
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)
 $T_{\min} = 0.962$, $T_{\max} = 0.988$

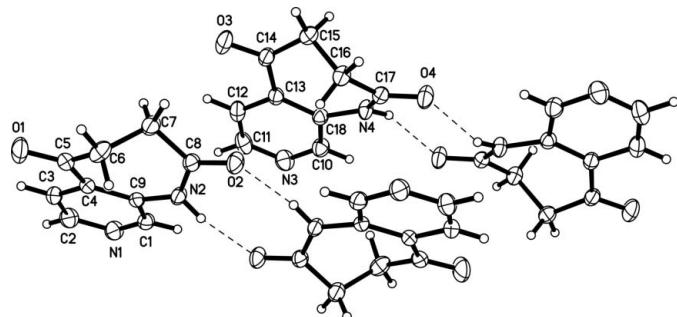
8803 measured reflections
 3139 independent reflections
 2116 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.034$
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 26.1^\circ$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.050$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.124$
 $S = 1.01$
 3139 reflections
 235 parameters
 H-atom parameters constrained

$$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0573P)^2 + 0.0991P]$$

where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.21 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.16 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

**Figure 1**

The structures of the two independent hydrogen-bonded dimers of (I), with the atom-labeling scheme and 30% probability displacement ellipsoids. Hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines.

Table 1
 Hydrogen-bond geometry (\AA , $^\circ$).

$D-\text{H}\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}$	$\text{H}\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}\cdots A$
N2—H2A \cdots O2 ⁱ	0.86	2.04	2.885 (2)	166
N4—H4 \cdots O4 ⁱⁱ	0.86	2.10	2.893 (2)	153
C7—H7A \cdots N1 ⁱⁱⁱ	0.97	2.61	3.499 (3)	152
C15—H15B \cdots O1 ^{iv}	0.97	2.50	3.419 (3)	158

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

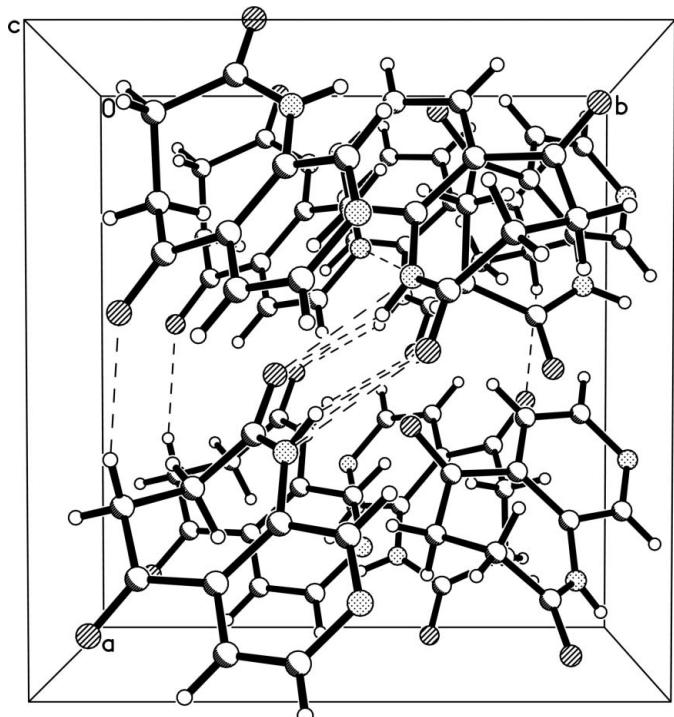
H atoms were positioned geometrically ($\text{C-H} = 0.93\text{--}0.97$ and $\text{N-H} = 0.86 \text{ \AA}$) and refined as riding with $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C,N})$.

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 1998); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2003); 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 2**

A view of the packing of (I) along the c axis. Hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines.

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