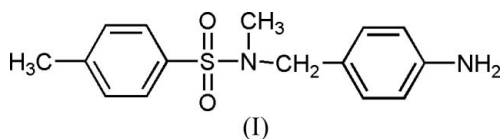


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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 294$  K  
Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.005$  Å  
 $R$  factor = 0.047  
 $wR$  factor = 0.132  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 15.8For details of how these key indicators were  
automatically derived from the article, see  
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.***N*-(4-Aminobenzyl)-*N*,4-dimethylbenzene-  
sulfonamide**In the title compound,  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}$ , the angle between the two benzene rings is  $96.3(3)^\circ$ . In the crystal structure, molecules are linked *via* intermolecular  $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  and  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  interactions.Received 17 November 2006  
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## Comment

Sulfonamides ( $R\text{ISO}_2\text{-NHR}2$ ) are a common pharmacophore in various biologically active molecules, enzyme inhibitors and receptor antagonists (Lendnicer & Mitscher, 1977; Raju *et al.*, 1996; Raju & Timothy, 1997). This paper reports the structure of *N*-(4-aminobenzyl)-*N*,4-dimethylbenzenesulfonamide, (I) (Fig. 1) (Andemen *et al.*, 1988), in which the angle between two benzene rings ( $\text{C}1-\text{C}6$  and  $\text{C}9-\text{C}14$ ) is  $96.3(3)^\circ$ .In the crystal structure,  $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  hydrogen bonds link adjacent molecules into inversion-related dimers. The structure is further stabilized by weak  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  hydrogen bonds (Fig. 2 and Table 1).

## Experimental

The title compound, (I), was synthesized according to the procedure of Andemen *et al.* (1988). Crystals suitable for X-ray analysis were grown by slow evaporation of an absolute ethanol solution at room temperature over a period of 15 d.

## Crystal data

$\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}$	$Z = 4$
$M_r = 290.37$	$D_x = 1.309$ Mg m $^{-3}$
Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$a = 15.939(5)$ Å	$\mu = 0.22$ mm $^{-1}$
$b = 8.012(2)$ Å	$T = 294(2)$ K
$c = 11.997(3)$ Å	Block, colourless
$\beta = 105.919(5)^\circ$	$0.34 \times 0.24 \times 0.12$ mm
$V = 1473.3(7)$ Å $^3$	

## Data collection

Bruker SMART 1000 CCD area-detector diffractometer	7932 measured reflections
$\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans	2991 independent reflections
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 1997)	1342 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
$T_{\min} = 0.912$ , $T_{\max} = 0.974$	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.071$
	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 26.4^\circ$

Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.047$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.132$   
 $S = 0.94$   
 2991 reflections  
 189 parameters

H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement  
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0587P)^2]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.002$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.16 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.25 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ ).

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
$N2-H2A\cdots O1^i$	0.870 (16)	2.57 (2)	3.347 (4)	148 (3)
$C5-H5\cdots O1^{ii}$	0.93	2.57	3.498 (4)	173

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

The H atoms bound to N2 were found in a difference Fourier map and refined with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{N})$ ; refined distances are 0.870 (16) and 0.851 (16)  $\text{\AA}$ . Other H atoms were placed in calculated positions, with  $C-H = 0.93 \text{ \AA}$  and  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$  for aromatic, and  $C-H = 0.96 \text{ \AA}$  and  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.5U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$  for methyl H atoms.

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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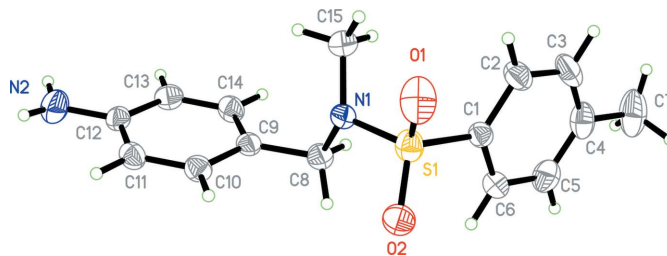


Figure 1 The molecular structure of (I), shown with 30% probability displacement ellipsoids (arbitrary spheres for H atoms).

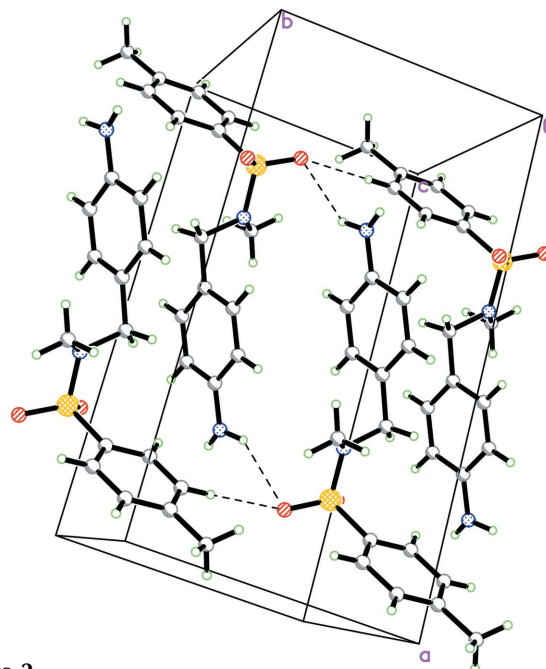


Figure 2 Part of the crystal structure of (I), with hydrogen bonds shown as dashed lines.

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