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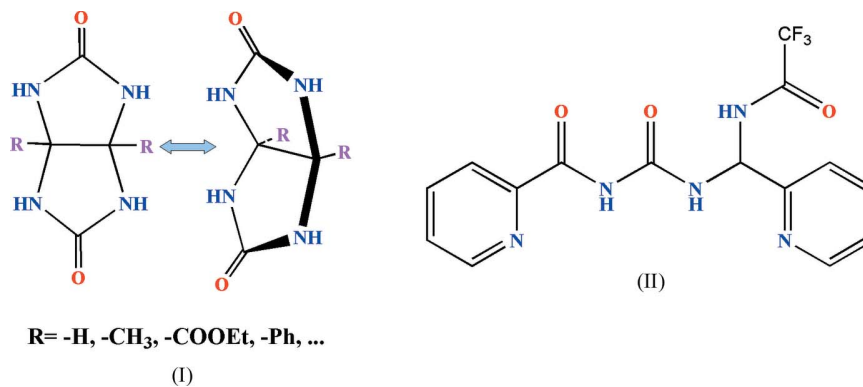
Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
 $T = 292$ K
Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.005$ Å
 R factor = 0.058
 wR factor = 0.177
Data-to-parameter ratio = 11.8For details of how these key indicators were
automatically derived from the article, see
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.1-Picolinoyl-3-[(2-pyridyl)(2,2,2-trifluoro-
acetamido)methyl]ureaThe title compound, $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{F}_3\text{N}_5\text{O}_3$, is a by-product isolated
from the preparation of di-2-pyridylglycoluril. The molecule
contains two classical intramolecular $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$ and $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$
hydrogen bonds, and its crystal structure is stabilized
mostly by intermolecular $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$ hydrogen bonds.

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Comment

The glycoluril skeleton, (I), is an important building block for
the preparation of a wide variety of supramolecular assem-
blies, including cucurbit[n]uril homologues ($n = 5, 7, 8$ and 10)
and their derivatives (Lee *et al.*, 2003), molecular clips and
baskets (Rowan *et al.*, 1999), and molecular capsules (Hof *et al.*,
2002). The title compound, (II), is obtained as a by-product
in the preparation of di-2-pyridylglycoluril.The molecular structure of (II) is shown in Fig. 1. The two
pyridyl rings are almost coplanar [dihedral angle $5.4(3)^\circ$].
Classical intramolecular $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$ and $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$ hydrogen
bonds (Table 1, entries 1 and 2) may account for the observed
molecular conformation. The infinite one-dimensional chain
packing structure is stabilized mostly by intermolecular $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$
hydrogen bonds (Table 1, entry 3).

Experimental

Urea (6.0 g, 0.1 mol), 1,2-di(pyridin-2-yl)ethane-1,2-dione (10.6 g,
0.05 mol), trifluoroacetic acid (10 ml) and benzene (200 ml) were
refluxed at 400 K, until water production ceased (5–6 h). After being
filtered off and washed with ethanol, the crude product was dissolved
in ethanol and stirred overnight at 298 K. The final expected glyco-
luril derivative was obtained (7.0–8.0 g, 47–54% yield), together with
(II) as a by-product, isolated from the filtrate. Crystals of (II) suitable
for data collection were obtained by slow evaporation of a chloro-
form–methanol solution (5:1 v/v) at 298 K.

Crystal data

$C_{15}H_{12}F_3N_5O_3$
 $M_r = 367.30$
 Triclinic, $P\bar{1}$
 $a = 4.9095$ (12) Å
 $b = 12.754$ (3) Å
 $c = 13.072$ (3) Å
 $\alpha = 85.969$ (4)°
 $\beta = 79.721$ (4)°
 $\gamma = 86.585$ (4)°

$V = 802.4$ (3) Å³
 $Z = 2$
 $D_x = 1.520$ Mg m⁻³
 Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 $\mu = 0.13$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 292$ (2) K
 Block, colourless
 $0.30 \times 0.20 \times 0.10$ mm

Data collection

Bruker SMART 4K area-detector diffractometer
 φ and ω scans
 Absorption correction: none
 3937 measured reflections

2775 independent reflections
 1725 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{int} = 0.025$
 $\theta_{max} = 25.0^\circ$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.058$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.177$
 $S = 1.03$
 2775 reflections
 235 parameters

H-atom parameters constrained
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0912P)^2]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.29$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.23$ e Å⁻³

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
$N2-H2A\cdots N1$	0.86	2.19	2.615 (4)	111
$N3-H3A\cdots O1$	0.86	2.16	2.781 (3)	129
$N4-H4A\cdots O2^i$	0.86	2.02	2.808 (3)	151

Symmetry code: (i) $x + 1, y, z$.

All H atoms were placed in geometrically idealized positions and constrained to ride on their parent atoms, with C–H = 0.93 Å (aromatic CH), C–H = 0.98 Å (methine CH) or N–H = 0.86 Å (amine NH), and with $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C,N)$.

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 1997); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 1999); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine

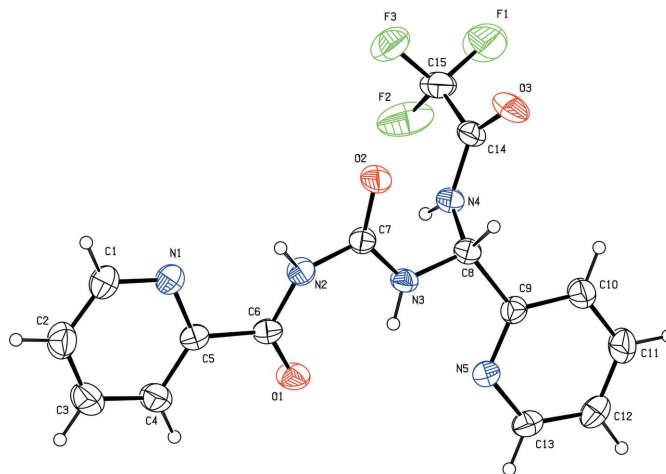


Figure 1

The molecular structure of (II), showing the atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.

structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: ORTEP-3 (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL (Bruker, 1997).

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