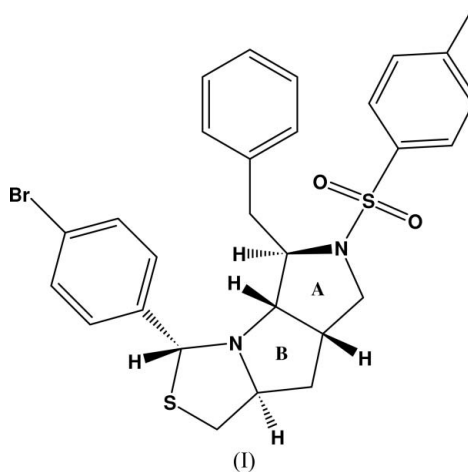


(2*R*,3*aR*,4*S*,6*aR*,7*aR*)-cis-4-Benzyl-2-(4-bromophenyl)-5-(4-methylphenylsulfonyl)perhydrothiazolidino[3,4-*a*]pyrrolo[4,5-*c*]pyrroleNavin V. Narayanan,^a D. Gayathri,^a D. Velmurugan,^{a*} K. Ravikumar^b and M. Poornachandran^c^aDepartment of Crystallography and Biophysics, University of Madras, Guindy Campus, Chennai 600 025, India, ^bLaboratory of X-ray Crystallography, Indian Institute of Chemical Technology, Hyderabad 500 007, India, and ^cDepartment of Organic Chemistry, University of Madras, Guindy Campus, Chennai 600 025, India

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In the title compound, C₂₈H₂₉BrN₂O₂S₂, the thiazolidine and the two pyrrolidine rings adopt envelope conformations. The crystal packing is stabilized by weak C—H···π interactions.Received 15 March 2007
Accepted 25 March 2007**Comment**Pyrrolidine derivatives are extensively studied for their important medicinal properties. Pyrrolidine occurs widely in nature and is a structural component of porphyrin heme, chlorophyll and vitamin B12. Pyrrolidine compounds have antifungal and antimicrobial activities (Amal Raj *et al.*, 2003). Thiazolidine derivatives possess antidiabetic and adipogenic properties (Norisada *et al.*, 2004).**Key indicators**Single-crystal X-ray study
T = 293 K
Mean σ (C—C) = 0.004 Å
R factor = 0.046
wR factor = 0.130
Data-to-parameter ratio = 19.6For details of how these key indicators were automatically derived from the article, see <http://journals.iucr.org/e>.

In the title compound, (I), the S2—C6 bond length is long compared with S2—C5, while the N2—C6 bond is short compared with N2—C4 and N2—C7 (Table 1). These long and short bonds may be a result of the bromophenyl substituent at C6. The sums of the bond angles around N1 (353.8°) and N2 (334.9°) indicate *sp*²- and *sp*³-hybridization, respectively. The C23—C28 phenyl ring makes dihedral angles of 21.1 (2) and 79.6 (2)°, respectively, with the C9—C14 and C15—C20 benzene rings. Atom Br1 deviates by 0.094 (1) Å from the mean plane of the benzene ring C9—C14.

The two fused pyrrolidine rings (N1/C1/C2/C7/C8, *A* and C2—C4/N2/C7, *B*) adopt envelope conformations, with flap atom C2 deviating by 0.506 (2) and 0.552 (3) Å, respectively, from the N1/C1/C7/C8 and C3/C4/N2/C7 planes. The thiazolidine ring also adopts an envelope conformation, with atom S2 deviating by 0.888 (1) Å from the other atoms in the ring, whereas in a similar structure, 3-(4-bromophenyl)-6-(*p*-tosyl)perhydrothiazolidino[3,4-*a*]pyrrolo[4,5-*c*]pyrrole (Kavitha *et al.*, 2006), the thiazolidine ring adopts a twist conformation.

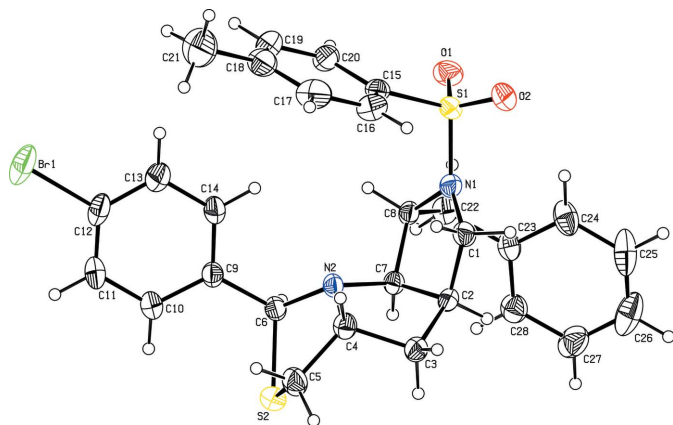


Figure 1
The molecular structure of (I), showing 30% probability displacement ellipsoids.

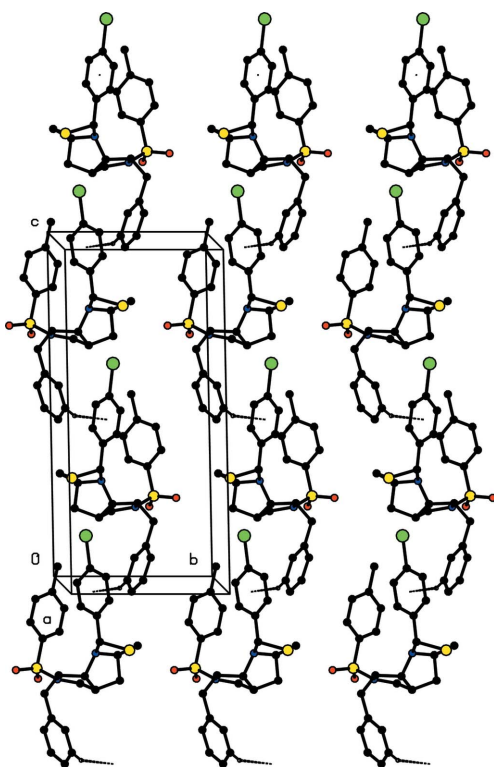


Figure 2
The molecular packing of (I), viewed approximately down the *a* axis. For clarity, H atoms not involved in the C—H... π interactions (dashed lines) have been omitted.

The puckering parameters (Cremer & Pople, 1975) and the smallest displacement asymmetry parameters (Nardelli, 1983) are $q_2 = 0.326$ (3) Å, $\varphi = 257.4$ (4)° and $\Delta_s(C_2) = 3.4$ (2)° for ring A, $q_2 = 0.358$ (3) Å, $\varphi = 105.9$ (4)° and $\Delta_s(C_2) = 1.5$ (3)° for ring B, and $q_2 = 0.522$ (2) Å, $\varphi = 357.6$ (3)° and $\Delta_s(S_2) = 3.8$ (2)° for the thiazolidine ring.

The crystal packing is stabilized by van der Waals and weak C—H... π intermolecular interactions. Atom C27 acts as a donor to the C9—C14 benzene ring at $(x, \frac{1}{2} - y, -\frac{1}{2} + z)$

(centroid *Cg*), with H...*Cg* and C...*Cg* distances of 2.85 and 3.716 (4) Å and a C—H...*Cg* angle of 156° (Fig. 2).

Experimental

A mixture of (*S*)-2-(*N*-allyl-*N*-tosylamino)-3-phenylpropanal (1.0 mmol) and 2-(*p*-bromophenyl)thiazolidine-4-carboxylic acid (1.5 mmol) in toluene (30 ml) was refluxed under Dean–Stark conditions till the completion of the reaction. The reaction mixture was then concentrated *in vacuo* and extracted with dichloromethane (2 × 20 ml) and water (2 × 20 ml). The organic layer was washed with brine (2 × 20 ml), dried with anhydrous sodium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was then subjected to column chromatography (silica gel, 100–200 mesh), eluting with a hexane–ethyl acetate (8:2) mixture, to give the title compound. The title compound was crystallized from a hexane–ethyl acetate (4:1) solution by slow evaporation.

Crystal data

$C_{28}H_{29}BrN_2O_2S_2$	$V = 2632.1$ (2) Å ³
$M_r = 569.56$	$Z = 4$
Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$a = 14.7207$ (8) Å	$\mu = 1.75$ mm ⁻¹
$b = 9.1692$ (5) Å	$T = 293$ (2) K
$c = 20.6819$ (11) Å	$0.25 \times 0.24 \times 0.22$ mm
$\beta = 109.461$ (1)°	

Data collection

Bruker SMART APEX CCD area-detector diffractometer	6207 independent reflections
Absorption correction: none	4428 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
29550 measured reflections	$R_{int} = 0.033$

Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.046$	317 parameters
$wR(F^2) = 0.130$	H-atom parameters constrained
$S = 0.97$	$\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.80$ e Å ⁻³
6207 reflections	$\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.53$ e Å ⁻³

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

C4—N2	1.490 (3)	C6—S2	1.847 (2)
C5—S2	1.804 (3)	C7—N2	1.478 (3)
C6—N2	1.449 (3)		
C1—N1—C8	112.7 (2)	C6—N2—C7	114.8 (2)
C1—N1—S1	119.9 (2)	C6—N2—C4	110.7 (2)
C8—N1—S1	121.2 (2)	C7—N2—C4	109.4 (2)

H atoms were positioned geometrically and allowed to ride on their parent atoms, with C—H = 0.93–0.98 Å and $U_{iso}(H) = 1.5U_{eq}(\text{methyl C})$ or $1.2U_{eq}(C)$.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2001); cell refinement: *SAINTE* (Bruker, 2001); data reduction: *SAINTE*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *PLATON* (Spek, 2003); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97* and *PARST* (Nardelli, 1995).

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