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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 298 KMean $\sigma(C-C) = 0.005 \text{ Å}$ R factor = 0.050 wR factor = 0.128 Data-to-parameter ratio = 14.9

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N-(2-Chloro-4-nitrophenyl)-N'-octanoylthiourea

The title compound, $C_{15}H_{20}ClN_3O_3S$, adopts a *trans-cis* configuration with respect to the positions of the octanoyl and 2-chloro-4-nitrophenyl groups relative to the S atom across their respective C–N bonds. Molecules exhibit intra-molecular N–H···O hydrogen bonds and are linked into dimers through N–H···S interactions.

Comment

The title compound, (I), is similar to *N*-hexanoyl-*N'*-(6-methyl-2-pyridyl)thiourea (Yusof *et al.*, 2007), except that the hexanoyl and 6-methyl-2-pyridyl groups are replaced by octanoyl and 2-chloro-4-nitrophenyl, respectively (Fig. 1). The molecule maintains a *trans–cis* configuration with respect to the position of the octanoyl and 2-chloro-4-nitrophenyl groups relative to atom S1 across the C9–N1 and C9–N2 bonds, respectively.



The bond lengths and angles are within normal ranges (Allen *et al.*, 1987) and are comparable to those in the hexanoyl/6-methyl-2-pyridyl derivative. The thiourea fragment (S1/C9/N1/N2) makes a dihedral angle of 26.6 (2)° with the mean plane of the benzene ring (C10–C15). Molecules exhibit intramolecular N–H···O hydrogen bonds (Table 1 and Fig. 1) and are linked into dimers through N–H···S interactions.

Experimental

2-Chloro-4-nitroaniline (2.12 g, 12 mmol) in 20 ml acetone was added dropwise to a stirred solution of octanoyl chloride (2.0 g, 12 mmol) and ammonium thiocyanate (0.91 g, 12 mmol) in acetone (75 ml). The mixture was refluxed for 1 h then poured onto ice. The resulting white precipitate was filtered, washed with distilled water and cold ethanol, then dried under vacuum. Single crystals were obtained by recrystallization from acetonitrile (yield: 2.13 g, 72%).

Crystal data $C_{15}H_{20}CIN_3O_3S$ $M_r = 357.85$ Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$ a = 12.737 (4) Å b = 9.355 (3) Å c = 15.992 (5) Å $\beta = 111.960$ (5)°

 $V = 1767.3 (9) Å^{3}$ Z = 4 Mo K\alpha radiation $\mu = 0.35 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 298 (2) K 0.35 \times 0.25 \times 0.24 mm Received 18 March 2007 Accepted 6 April 2007 Data collection

Bruker SMART APEX CCD diffractometer Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 2000) $T_{min} = 0.887, T_{max} = 0.921$

Refinement

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.050$ $wR(F^2) = 0.128$ S = 1.033105 reflections

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D=\Pi$	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
0.86	1.89	2.608 (3)	140
0.86	2.66	3.504 (3)	168
	0.86 0.86	0.86 1.89 0.86 2.66	0.86 1.89 2.608 (3) 0.86 2.66 3.504 (3)

8878 measured reflections

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.027$

209 parameters

 $\Delta \rho_{\text{max}} = 0.25 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ $\Delta \rho_{\text{min}} = -0.18 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

3105 independent reflections

2311 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

H-atom parameters constrained

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

H atoms were visible in difference Fourier maps, but were positioned geometrically and allowed to ride, with C-H = 0.93-0.97 Å or N-H = 0.86 Å and $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C,N)$ or $1.5U_{eq}(methyl C)$.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2000); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2000); 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*, *PARST* (Nardelli, 1995) and *PLATON* (Spek, 2003).

Figure 1

The molecular structure of (I), with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level. The dashed line indicates an $N-H\cdots O$ hydrogen bond.

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