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5-(Hydroxymethyl)furan-2-carboxylic acid

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; T = 294 K; mean $\sigma(C-C) = 0.002$ Å; R factor = 0.035; wR factor = 0.090; data-to-parameter ratio = 11.1.

In the title compound, $C_6H_6O_4$, the furan ring is nearly coplanar with the carboxyl group, the maximum atomic deviation being 0.0248 (9) Å. The crystal packing is stabilized by classical $O-H\cdots O$ and weak $C-H\cdots O$ hydrogen bonding.

Related literature

For the biochemical significance of the title compound, see: Mrochek & Rainey (1972).



Experimental

Crystal data $C_6H_6O_4$ $M_r = 142.11$ Orthorhombic, Pbca a = 10.838 (3) Å b = 7.2601 (17) Å c = 15.526 (4) Å

V = 1221.7 (5) Å³ Z = 8Mo $K\alpha$ radiation $\mu = 0.13 \text{ mm}^-$ T = 294 K $0.32 \times 0.22 \times 0.12 \text{ mm}$

Data collection

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Bruker SMART CCD area-detector	1098 independent reflections
diffractometer	1033 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
5637 measured reflections	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.025$
Refinement	

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.035$	H atoms treated by a mixture of
$wR(F^2) = 0.090$	independent and constrained
S = 1.08	refinement
1098 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.19 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
99 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.21 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

Table 1 Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
$01 - H1A \cdots O3^{i}$ $04 - H4A \cdots O1^{ii}$ $C7 - H7A \cdots O4^{iii}$	0.87 (2) 0.96 (2) 0.97	1.83 (2) 1.61 (2) 2.45	2.6951 (16) 2.5643 (17) 3.265 (2)	169.2 (19) 171 (2) 142
Symmetry codes: -x + 2, -y, -z + 1.	(i) $x + \frac{1}{2}, -$	$y + \frac{1}{2}, -z + 1;$	(ii) $x, -y + \frac{1}{2}$	$, z + \frac{1}{2};$ (iii)

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 2001); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2001); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: ORTEP-3 (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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Comment

In the molecular structure of the compound, all the carbon atoms locate in the same plane. The crystal packing is stabilized by $O-H\cdots O$ and weak $C-H\cdots O$ hydrogen bonding (Table 1).

Experimental

The title compound was obtained from the fermentation of *Aspergillus sp.* by column chromatography. The strain was isolated from a soil sample collected from Jinjiang salt-field, Fujian, China. The strain was cultured using half sea-water Potato Dextrose Agar medium at 28 degrees celsius for 14 days. The fermentation (40 liters) was extracted with ethyl acetate (EtOAc). The EtOAc extract (18.0 g) eluted with methanol-water (30%, 50%, 70%, 100%; V/V) to yield 12 fractions by column chromatography RP-18. Fraction 1 was further puried by Sephadex LH-20 (140 g) chromatography with methanol. Then 1–4 eluted with acetone by Sephadex LH-20 (80 g) chromatography, then the main components further puried by silica-gel column chromatography to afford the title compound (8.0 mg).

Refinement

The carboxyl and hydroxy H atoms were located in a difference Fourier map and refined isotropically. Other H atoms were positioned geometrically and were treated as riding on their parent atoms, with C—H distances of 0.93–0.97 Å, and $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$.

Figures



Fig. 1. The molecular structure of the title compound with 50% probability ellipsoids.

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Crystal data $C_6H_6O_4$ $M_r = 142.11$ Orthorhombic, *Pbca* Hall symbol: -P 2ac 2ab

F(000) = 592 $D_x = 1.545 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo K α radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ Å}$ Cell parameters from 10988 reflections

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a = 10.838 (3) Å	$\theta = 2.6 - 25.2^{\circ}$
<i>b</i> = 7.2601 (17) Å	$\mu = 0.13 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
c = 15.526 (4) Å	T = 294 K
$V = 1221.7 (5) \text{ Å}^3$	Block, colourless
Z = 8	$0.32 \times 0.22 \times 0.12 \text{ mm}$

Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer	1033 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube	$R_{\rm int} = 0.025$
graphite	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.2^{\circ}, \ \theta_{\text{min}} = 2.6^{\circ}$
φ and ω scans	$h = -12 \rightarrow 12$
5637 measured reflections	$k = -8 \rightarrow 8$
1098 independent reflections	$l = -18 \rightarrow 13$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods
Least-squares matrix: full	Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.035$	Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites
$wR(F^2) = 0.090$	H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement
<i>S</i> = 1.08	$w = 1/[\sigma^{2}(F_{o}^{2}) + (0.0457P)^{2} + 0.5232P]$ where $P = (F_{o}^{2} + 2F_{c}^{2})/3$
1098 reflections	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$
99 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.19 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
0 restraints	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.21 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$

Special details

Geometry. All esds (except the esd in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell esds are taken into account individually in the estimation of esds in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between esds in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell esds is used for estimating esds involving l.s. planes.

Refinement. Refinement of F^2 against ALL reflections. The weighted *R*-factor *wR* and goodness of fit *S* are based on F^2 , conventional *R*-factors *R* are based on *F*, with *F* set to zero for negative F^2 . The threshold expression of $F^2 > \sigma(F^2)$ is used only for calculating *R*-factors(gt) *etc.* and is not relevant to the choice of reflections for refinement. *R*-factors based on F^2 are statistically about twice as large as those based on *F*, and *R*- factors based on ALL data will be even larger.

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (A^2)

	x	у	Ζ	$U_{\rm iso}*/U_{\rm eq}$
01	0.93802 (10)	0.18266 (16)	0.31353 (7)	0.0276 (3)
O2	0.84194 (9)	0.14583 (14)	0.49749 (6)	0.0216 (3)

O3	0.68657 (9)	0.30625 (16)	0.68473 (7)	0.0300 (3)
O4	0.88618 (9)	0.26469 (16)	0.65427 (7)	0.0282 (3)
C5	0.74292 (13)	0.19201 (19)	0.54835 (9)	0.0204 (3)
C6	0.79370 (13)	0.08250 (18)	0.42169 (8)	0.0208 (3)
C7	0.88366 (14)	0.0247 (2)	0.35516 (9)	0.0262 (4)
H7A	0.9481	-0.0487	0.3817	0.031*
H7B	0.8424	-0.0510	0.3125	0.031*
C8	0.76830 (13)	0.2598 (2)	0.63503 (9)	0.0219 (3)
C9	0.66913 (13)	0.0865 (2)	0.42436 (9)	0.0243 (4)
H9A	0.6155	0.0498	0.3809	0.029*
C10	0.63590 (14)	0.1574 (2)	0.50616 (9)	0.0242 (3)
H10A	0.5564	0.1765	0.5268	0.029*
H4A	0.898 (2)	0.290 (3)	0.7143 (16)	0.060 (6)*
H1A	1.018 (2)	0.179 (3)	0.3204 (13)	0.051 (6)*

Atomic displacement parameters (\AA^2)

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
01	0.0203 (6)	0.0392 (7)	0.0235 (6)	-0.0018 (5)	0.0007 (4)	0.0040 (5)
O2	0.0178 (5)	0.0265 (6)	0.0205 (5)	0.0012 (4)	0.0005 (4)	-0.0004 (4)
O3	0.0213 (5)	0.0445 (7)	0.0242 (6)	0.0059 (5)	0.0039 (4)	-0.0031 (5)
O4	0.0188 (5)	0.0425 (7)	0.0231 (6)	0.0034 (5)	-0.0003 (4)	-0.0070 (5)
C5	0.0189 (7)	0.0215 (7)	0.0209 (7)	0.0024 (5)	0.0044 (6)	0.0035 (5)
C6	0.0257 (8)	0.0178 (7)	0.0188 (7)	-0.0001 (6)	-0.0015 (6)	0.0010 (5)
C7	0.0273 (8)	0.0281 (8)	0.0232 (8)	0.0002 (6)	0.0018 (6)	-0.0014 (6)
C8	0.0188 (7)	0.0223 (7)	0.0246 (7)	0.0016 (6)	0.0018 (6)	0.0030 (6)
C9	0.0237 (8)	0.0251 (8)	0.0242 (8)	-0.0019 (6)	-0.0038 (6)	-0.0003 (6)
C10	0.0179 (7)	0.0282 (8)	0.0265 (8)	0.0002 (6)	0.0021 (6)	0.0022 (6)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

O1—C7	1.4421 (19)	C5—C8	1.459 (2)
O1—H1A	0.88 (2)	С6—С9	1.351 (2)
O2—C6	1.3675 (17)	C6—C7	1.481 (2)
O2—C5	1.3739 (16)	С7—Н7А	0.9700
O3—C8	1.2224 (18)	С7—Н7В	0.9700
O4—C8	1.3124 (18)	C9—C10	1.417 (2)
O4—H4A	0.96 (2)	С9—Н9А	0.9300
C5—C10	1.355 (2)	C10—H10A	0.9300
C7—O1—H1A	109.0 (13)	O1—C7—H7B	109.5
C6—O2—C5	106.15 (11)	С6—С7—Н7В	109.5
C8—O4—H4A	111.1 (13)	Н7А—С7—Н7В	108.1
C10—C5—O2	110.21 (12)	O3—C8—O4	123.66 (14)
C10—C5—C8	132.03 (13)	O3—C8—C5	122.60 (13)
O2—C5—C8	117.72 (12)	O4—C8—C5	113.74 (12)
C9—C6—O2	110.38 (12)	C6—C9—C10	106.82 (13)
C9—C6—C7	133.27 (13)	С6—С9—Н9А	126.6
O2—C6—C7	116.35 (12)	С10—С9—Н9А	126.6

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01—C7—C6 01—C7—H7A C6—C7—H7A	110.88 (12) 109.5 109.5	C5—C10—C9 C5—C10—H10A C9—C10—H10A	1) 1: 1.	06.44 (13) 26.8 26.8	
Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)					
D—H···A	<i>D</i> —Н	H…A	$D \cdots A$	D—H··· A	
O1—H1A···O3 ⁱ	0.87 (2)	1.83 (2)	2.6951 (16)	169.2 (19)	
O4—H4A···O1 ⁱⁱ	0.96 (2)	1.61 (2)	2.5643 (17)	171 (2)	
C7—H7A····O4 ⁱⁱⁱ	0.97	2.45	3.265 (2)	142	
Symmetry codes: (i) $x+1/2$, $-y+1/2$, $-z+1$; (ii) x , $-y+1/2$, $z+1/2$; (iii) $-x+2$, $-y$, $-z+1$.					

