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5-Fluoro-2-methyl-3-(4-methylphenylsulfonyl)-1-benzofuran

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; T = 173 K; mean σ (C–C) = 0.003 Å; R factor = 0.041; wR factor = 0.108; data-to-parameter ratio = 18.2.

In the title compound, $C_{16}H_{13}FO_3S$, the 4-methylphenyl ring makes a dihedral angle of 76.04 (4)° with the mean plane of the benzofuran fragment. In the crystal, molecules are linked by weak C-H···O hydrogen bonds, and by a slipped π - π interaction between the furan and benzene rings of adjacent molecules [centroid-centroid distance = 3.780 (2) Å, interplanar distance = 3.475 (2) Å and slippage = 1.488 (2) Å].

Related literature

For the pharmacological activity of benzofuran compounds, see: Aslam *et al.* (2009); Galal *et al.* (2009); Khan *et al.* (2005). For natural products with benzofuran rings, see: Akgul & Anil (2003); Soekamto *et al.* (2003). For the crystal structures of related compounds, see: Choi *et al.* (2010*a*,*b*).



Experimental

Crystal data $C_{16}H_{13}FO_3S$ $M_r = 304.32$ Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$

a = 9.9429 (6) Åb = 19.7506 (11) Åc = 7.3696 (4) Å $\beta = 104.422 \ (2)^{\circ}$ $V = 1401.62 \ (14) \ \text{Å}^3$ Z = 4Mo $K\alpha$ radiation

Data collection

Bruker SMART APEXII CCD diffractometer Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SADABS*; Bruker, 2009) $T_{\rm min} = 0.627, T_{\rm max} = 0.746$

Refinement

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.041$ 192 parameters $wR(F^2) = 0.108$ H-atom parameters constrainedS = 1.02 $\Delta \rho_{max} = 0.41 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ 3487 reflections $\Delta \rho_{min} = -0.39 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

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

 $D-H\cdots A$ D-H $H\cdots A$ $D\cdots A$ $D-H\cdots A$

 C15-H15\cdots O2^i
 0.95
 2.58
 3.246 (2)
 128

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

Data collection: *APEX2* (Bruker, 2009); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2009); data reduction: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2009); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *ORTEP-3* (Farrugia, 1997) and *DIAMOND* (Brandenburg, 1998); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008).

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 $\mu = 0.25 \text{ mm}^{-1}$

 $0.31 \times 0.17 \times 0.10 \ \mathrm{mm}$

12926 measured reflections

3487 independent reflections

2701 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

T = 173 K

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.037$

supporting information

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S1. Comment

Many compounds involving a benzofuran ring have drawn much attention owing to their valuable biological properties such as antibacterial and antifungal, antitumor and antiviral, and antimicrobial activities (Aslam *et al.*, 2009, Galal *et al.*, 2009, Khan *et al.*, 2005). These benzofuran derivatives occur in a wide range of natural products (Akgul & Anil, 2003; Soekamto *et al.*, 2003). As a part of our continuing study of 4-fluoro-2-methyl-1-benzofuran derivatives containing either 3-phenylsulfonyl (Choi *et al.*, 2010*a*) or 3-(4-fluorophenylsulfonyl) (Choi *et al.*, 2010*b*) substituents, we report herein the crystal structure of the title compound.

In the title molecule (Fig. 1), the benzofuran unit is essentially planar, with a mean deviation of 0.007 (1) Å from the least-squares plane defined by the nine constituent atoms. The dihedral angle between the 4-methylphenyl ring and the mean plane of the benzofurn fragment is 76.04 (4)°. The crystal packing (Fig. 2) is stabilized by weak intermolecular C—H···O hydrogen bonds between one H atom of the 4-methylphenyl ring and an oxygen of the O=S=O unit (Table 1). The crystal packing (Fig. 2) is further stabilized by a weak slipped π - π interaction between the furan and benzene rings of adjacent molecules, with a Cg1···Cg2ⁱⁱ distance of 3.780 (2) Å and an interplanar distance of 3.475 (2) Å resulting in a slippage of 1.488 (2) Å (Cg1 and Cg2 are the centroids of the C1/C2/C7/O1/C8 furan ring and the C2–C7 benzene ring, respectively).

S2. Experimental

77% 3-chloroperoxybenzoic acid (560 mg, 2.5 mmol) was added in small portions to a stirred solution of 5-fluoro-2methyl-3-(4-methylphenylsulfanyl)-1-benzofuran (326 mg, 1.2 mmol) in dichloromethane (40 mL) at 273 K. After being stirred at room temperature for 10h, the mixture was washed with saturated sodium bicarbonate solution and the organic layer was separated, dried over magnesium sulfate, filtered and concentrated at reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography (benzene) to afford the title compound as a colorless solid [yield 73%, m.p. 433–434 K; $R_f = 0.48$ (benzene)]. Single crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction were prepared by slow evaporation of a solution of the title compound in benzene at room temperature.

S3. Refinement

All H atoms were positioned geometrically and refined using a riding model, with C—H = 0.95 Å for aryl and 0.98 Å for methyl H atoms. $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$ for aryl and $1.5U_{eq}(C)$ for methyl H atoms.



Figure 1

The molecular structure of the title compound with the atom numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. H atoms are presented as small spheres of arbitrary radius.



Figure 2

A view of the C—H···O and $\pi - \pi$ interactions (dotted lines) in the crystal structure of the title compound. H atoms non-participating in hydrogen-bonding were omitted for clarity. [Symmetry codes: (i) - *x*, 1 - *y* + 1, - *z*; (ii) - *x* + 1, - *y* + 1, - *z*.]

F(000) = 632

 $\theta = 2.4 - 27.6^{\circ}$

 $\mu = 0.25 \text{ mm}^{-1}$

Block, colourless

 $0.31\times0.17\times0.10~mm$

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 $D_{\rm x} = 1.442 {\rm Mg} {\rm m}^{-3}$

Mo Ka radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å

Cell parameters from 3987 reflections

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diffractometer	3487 independent reflections
Radiation source: rotating anode	2701 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
Graphite multilayer monochromator	$R_{\rm int} = 0.037$
Detector resolution: 10.0 pixels mm ⁻¹	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 28.4^{\circ}, \ \theta_{\text{min}} = 2.1^{\circ}$
φ and ω scans	$h = -10 \rightarrow 13$
Absorption correction: multi-scan	$k = -26 \rightarrow 25$
(SADABS; Bruker, 2009)	$l = -9 \longrightarrow 8$
$T_{\min} = 0.627, \ T_{\max} = 0.746$	

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier
Least-squares matrix: full	map
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.041$	Hydrogen site location: difference Fourier map
$wR(F^2) = 0.108$	H-atom parameters constrained
S = 1.02	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0475P)^2 + 0.6535P]$
3487 reflections	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
192 parameters	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$
0 restraints	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.41 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
Primary atom site location: structure-invariant	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.39 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
direct methods	

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 $F^2 > 2$ 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 $(Å^2)$

	x	У	Ζ	$U_{ m iso}$ */ $U_{ m eq}$	
S 1	0.23477 (5)	0.39305 (2)	0.03088 (6)	0.02577 (13)	
F1	0.32677 (14)	0.67906 (6)	0.15349 (19)	0.0497 (3)	
01	0.60793 (13)	0.44400 (6)	0.32052 (17)	0.0316 (3)	
O2	0.16250 (14)	0.44195 (7)	-0.10210 (17)	0.0329 (3)	
03	0.26402 (14)	0.32735 (6)	-0.03226 (18)	0.0344 (3)	
C1	0.38972 (18)	0.43036 (9)	0.1497 (2)	0.0252 (4)	
C2	0.41125 (18)	0.50213 (9)	0.1841 (2)	0.0240 (4)	
C3	0.3330 (2)	0.56078 (9)	0.1352 (2)	0.0291 (4)	
H3	0.2397	0.5597	0.0621	0.035*	
C4	0.3993 (2)	0.62026 (9)	0.1994 (3)	0.0345 (4)	
C5	0.5348 (2)	0.62513 (10)	0.3054 (3)	0.0369 (5)	
H5	0.5739	0.6682	0.3448	0.044*	
C6	0.6127 (2)	0.56735 (10)	0.3534 (2)	0.0340 (4)	
H6	0.7062	0.5689	0.4257	0.041*	
C7	0.54778 (19)	0.50706 (9)	0.2910 (2)	0.0278 (4)	
C8	0.50969 (19)	0.39822 (9)	0.2337 (2)	0.0287 (4)	
C9	0.5545 (2)	0.32675 (10)	0.2509 (3)	0.0411 (5)	
H9A	0.5648	0.3115	0.3801	0.062*	
H9B	0.6437	0.3225	0.2179	0.062*	
H9C	0.4848	0.2988	0.1660	0.062*	
C10	0.13996 (18)	0.38170 (9)	0.2014 (2)	0.0254 (4)	
C11	0.15659 (19)	0.32275 (9)	0.3064 (2)	0.0285 (4)	
H11	0.2202	0.2889	0.2893	0.034*	
C12	0.0791 (2)	0.31405 (10)	0.4364 (3)	0.0329 (4)	
H12	0.0899	0.2736	0.5085	0.040*	

C13	-0.01424 (19)	0.36293 (10)	0.4646 (3)	0.0326 (4)	
C14	-0.0277 (2)	0.42158 (10)	0.3581 (3)	0.0344 (4)	
H14	-0.0908	0.4557	0.3755	0.041*	
C15	0.04855 (19)	0.43154 (9)	0.2272 (3)	0.0307 (4)	
H15	0.0384	0.4721	0.1558	0.037*	
C16	-0.0970 (2)	0.35188 (13)	0.6062 (3)	0.0450 (5)	
H16A	-0.0370	0.3581	0.7325	0.067*	
H16B	-0.1347	0.3058	0.5937	0.067*	
H16C	-0.1735	0.3846	0.5852	0.067*	

Atomic displacement parameters $(Å^2)$

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
S1	0.0283 (2)	0.0244 (2)	0.0237 (2)	-0.00310 (18)	0.00479 (16)	-0.00129 (16)
F1	0.0602 (8)	0.0247 (6)	0.0693 (9)	0.0029 (6)	0.0258 (7)	0.0003 (6)
O1	0.0264 (7)	0.0357 (7)	0.0306 (6)	0.0000 (5)	0.0033 (5)	-0.0001 (5)
O2	0.0335 (7)	0.0364 (7)	0.0263 (6)	-0.0015 (6)	0.0026 (5)	0.0060 (5)
O3	0.0421 (8)	0.0283 (7)	0.0350 (7)	-0.0064 (6)	0.0134 (6)	-0.0088(5)
C1	0.0263 (9)	0.0247 (9)	0.0247 (8)	-0.0013 (7)	0.0064 (7)	-0.0010 (7)
C2	0.0271 (9)	0.0236 (8)	0.0229 (8)	-0.0022 (7)	0.0090 (7)	-0.0013 (6)
C3	0.0294 (9)	0.0284 (9)	0.0316 (9)	-0.0004 (7)	0.0114 (7)	0.0001 (7)
C4	0.0460 (12)	0.0234 (9)	0.0394 (10)	0.0001 (8)	0.0206 (9)	-0.0009 (8)
C5	0.0471 (12)	0.0322 (10)	0.0360 (10)	-0.0156 (9)	0.0191 (9)	-0.0110 (8)
C6	0.0332 (10)	0.0434 (12)	0.0263 (9)	-0.0129 (9)	0.0094 (8)	-0.0087(8)
C7	0.0296 (9)	0.0308 (10)	0.0238 (8)	-0.0024 (7)	0.0083 (7)	-0.0008(7)
C8	0.0305 (9)	0.0289 (9)	0.0264 (8)	0.0006 (7)	0.0063 (7)	0.0000 (7)
C9	0.0422 (12)	0.0333 (11)	0.0454 (11)	0.0104 (9)	0.0062 (9)	0.0032 (9)
C10	0.0248 (9)	0.0265 (9)	0.0232 (8)	-0.0032 (7)	0.0026 (6)	-0.0004 (7)
C11	0.0312 (9)	0.0251 (9)	0.0287 (8)	0.0019 (7)	0.0063 (7)	0.0006 (7)
C12	0.0372 (10)	0.0303 (10)	0.0304 (9)	-0.0014 (8)	0.0066 (8)	0.0052 (7)
C13	0.0266 (9)	0.0426 (11)	0.0271 (9)	-0.0033 (8)	0.0041 (7)	-0.0009 (8)
C14	0.0287 (10)	0.0374 (11)	0.0373 (10)	0.0072 (8)	0.0086 (8)	0.0005 (8)
C15	0.0287 (9)	0.0286 (10)	0.0335 (9)	0.0036 (8)	0.0057 (7)	0.0047 (7)
C16	0.0340 (11)	0.0670 (16)	0.0358 (11)	-0.0017 (10)	0.0125 (9)	0.0042 (10)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

<u>81—03</u>	1.4326 (13)	С8—С9	1.476 (3)	
S1—O2	1.4348 (13)	С9—Н9А	0.9800	
S1—C1	1.7353 (17)	С9—Н9В	0.9800	
S1—C10	1.7631 (18)	С9—Н9С	0.9800	
F1—C4	1.365 (2)	C10—C15	1.385 (3)	
O1—C8	1.367 (2)	C10—C11	1.385 (2)	
O1—C7	1.375 (2)	C11—C12	1.382 (3)	
C1—C8	1.357 (2)	C11—H11	0.9500	
C1—C2	1.447 (2)	C12—C13	1.390 (3)	
C2—C3	1.392 (2)	C12—H12	0.9500	
C2—C7	1.393 (2)	C13—C14	1.387 (3)	

C3—C4	1.372 (3)	C13—C16	1.498 (3)
С3—Н3	0.9500	C14—C15	1.381 (3)
C4—C5	1.382 (3)	C14—H14	0.9500
C5—C6	1.375 (3)	C15—H15	0.9500
С5—Н5	0.9500	C16—H16A	0.9800
C6—C7	1.378 (3)	C16—H16B	0.9800
С6—Н6	0.9500	C16—H16C	0.9800
O3—S1—O2	119.70 (8)	С8—С9—Н9А	109.5
O3—S1—C1	108.78 (8)	С8—С9—Н9В	109.5
O2—S1—C1	106.83 (8)	H9A—C9—H9B	109.5
O3—S1—C10	107.71 (8)	С8—С9—Н9С	109.5
O2—S1—C10	107.86 (8)	Н9А—С9—Н9С	109.5
C1—S1—C10	105.03 (8)	H9B—C9—H9C	109.5
C8—O1—C7	107.03 (13)	C15—C10—C11	120.81 (17)
C8—C1—C2	107.68 (15)	C15—C10—S1	119.56 (13)
C8—C1—S1	126.92 (14)	C11—C10—S1	119.63 (14)
C2—C1—S1	125.35 (13)	C12—C11—C10	118.84 (17)
C3—C2—C7	119.43 (16)	C12—C11—H11	120.6
C3—C2—C1	136.18 (16)	C10—C11—H11	120.6
C7—C2—C1	104.38 (15)	C11—C12—C13	121.70 (17)
C4—C3—C2	115.71 (17)	C11—C12—H12	119.2
С4—С3—Н3	122.1	C13—C12—H12	119.2
С2—С3—Н3	122.1	C14—C13—C12	118.01 (17)
F1—C4—C3	117.65 (18)	C14—C13—C16	121.59 (19)
F1—C4—C5	117.49 (17)	C12—C13—C16	120.40 (18)
C3—C4—C5	124.85 (19)	C15—C14—C13	121.43 (18)
C6—C5—C4	119.67 (18)	C15—C14—H14	119.3
С6—С5—Н5	120.2	C13—C14—H14	119.3
С4—С5—Н5	120.2	C14—C15—C10	119.21 (17)
C5—C6—C7	116.37 (18)	C14—C15—H15	120.4
С5—С6—Н6	121.8	C10—C15—H15	120.4
С7—С6—Н6	121.8	C13—C16—H16A	109.5
O1—C7—C6	125.49 (17)	C13—C16—H16B	109.5
O1—C7—C2	110.52 (15)	H16A—C16—H16B	109.5
C6—C7—C2	123.97 (18)	C13—C16—H16C	109.5
C1—C8—O1	110.40 (15)	H16A—C16—H16C	109.5
C1—C8—C9	134.32 (18)	H16B—C16—H16C	109.5
O1—C8—C9	115.28 (16)		
O3—S1—C1—C8	-23.25 (18)	C1—C2—C7—C6	179.05 (16)
O2—S1—C1—C8	-153.76 (16)	C2-C1-C8-O1	0.03 (19)
C10—S1—C1—C8	91.85 (17)	S1—C1—C8—O1	-177.29 (12)
O3—S1—C1—C2	159.88 (14)	C2-C1-C8-C9	179.8 (2)
O2—S1—C1—C2	29.37 (17)	S1—C1—C8—C9	2.4 (3)
C10—S1—C1—C2	-85.02 (16)	C7—O1—C8—C1	0.24 (19)
C8—C1—C2—C3	178.55 (19)	C7—O1—C8—C9	-179.55 (16)
S1—C1—C2—C3	-4.1 (3)	O3—S1—C10—C15	-152.01 (14)

S1—C1—C2—C7 177.09 (12) C1—S1—C10—C15 92.15 (15) C7—C2—C3—C4 -0.3 (2) O3—S1—C10—C11 27.24 (16)	
C7—C2—C3—C4 -0.3 (2) O3—S1—C10—C11 27.24 (16)	
C1—C2—C3—C4 –178.98 (19) O2—S1—C10—C11 157.73 (14)	
C2—C3—C4—F1 179.49 (15) C1—S1—C10—C11 -88.60 (15)	
C2—C3—C4—C5 0.3 (3) C15—C10—C11—C12 0.7 (3)	
F1—C4—C5—C6 -179.25 (16) S1—C10—C11—C12 -178.54 (14)	
C3—C4—C5—C6 -0.1 (3) C10—C11—C12—C13 -0.2 (3)	
C4—C5—C6—C7 -0.2 (3) C11—C12—C13—C14 -0.2 (3)	
C8-01-C7-C6 -179.02 (17) C11-C12-C13-C16 179.81 (18)	
C8-01-C7-C2 -0.44 (19) C12-C13-C14-C15 0.2 (3)	
C5—C6—C7—O1 178.67 (16) C16—C13—C14—C15 -179.84 (18)	
C5—C6—C7—C2 0.3 (3) C13—C14—C15—C10 0.3 (3)	
C3—C2—C7—O1 –178.64 (15) C11—C10—C15—C14 –0.7 (3)	
C1—C2—C7—O1 0.44 (18) S1—C10—C15—C14 178.51 (14)	
C3—C2—C7—C6 0.0 (3)	

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

D—H···A	<i>D</i> —Н	H···A	D····A	<i>D</i> —H··· <i>A</i>
C15—H15…O2 ⁱ	0.95	2.58	3.246 (2)	128

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