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4-Chloro-7-methoxymethyl-2-phenyl-7H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine

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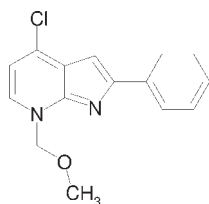
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; $T = 173$ K; mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003$ Å; R factor = 0.037; wR factor = 0.079; data-to-parameter ratio = 17.8.

In the title compound, $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{13}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}$, the phenyl group makes a dihedral angle of $7.91(8)^\circ$ with the pyrrole ring. The crystal structure forms a three-dimensional network stabilized by $\pi-\pi$ interactions [centroid-centroid distances = $3.807(1)$ Å] between the pyridine and phenyl rings and *via* intermolecular $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$ hydrogen bonds.

Related literature

Chlorination of 2-phenyl-1*H*-pyrrolo[2,3-*b*]pyridine was performed by an analogous procedure, see: Layek *et al.* (2009).



Experimental

Crystal data

 $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{13}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}$ $M_r = 272.72$ Orthorhombic, $P2_12_12_1$ $a = 8.4785(8)$ Å $b = 9.6576(10)$ Å $c = 15.8560(16)$ Å $V = 1298.3(2)$ Å³ $Z = 4$ Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 $\mu = 0.29$ mm⁻¹ $T = 173$ K
 $0.32 \times 0.21 \times 0.08$ mm

Data collection

Bruker SMART APEXII
diffractometer
5977 measured reflections3084 independent reflections
2667 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.028$

Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.037$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.079$
 $S = 1.03$
3084 reflections
173 parameters
H-atom parameters constrained

$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.21$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.22$ e Å⁻³
Absolute structure: Flack (1983),
1299 Friedel pairs
Flack parameter: 0.02 (6)

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-\text{H}\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}$	$\text{H}\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}\cdots A$
$\text{C5}-\text{H5}\cdots\text{O15}^i$	0.95	2.32	3.237 (2)	162

Symmetry code: (i) $-x + 1, y - \frac{1}{2}, -z + \frac{3}{2}$.

Data collection: *APEX2* (Bruker, 2006); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2006); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SIR97* (Altomare *et al.*, 1999); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *PLATON* (Spek, 2009); software used to prepare material for publication: *PLATON*.

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S1. Comment

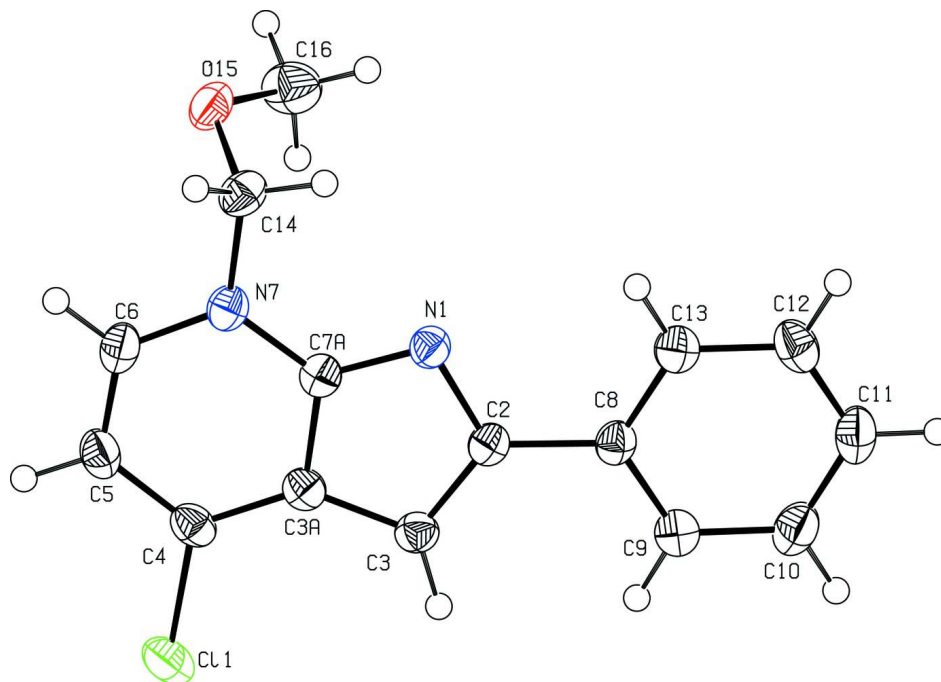
N-protection of 7-azaindoles is a often used and necessary procedure for further NH sensitive reactions. Many protecting procedures with 4-chloro-1*H*-pyrrolo[2,3-*b*]pyridine are kown in literature. By N-protection of 4-chloro-2-phenyl-1*H*-pyrrolo[2,3-*b*]pyridine with methoxymethylchloride, two regioisomeres are formed, the expected 4-chloro-1-(methoxymethyl)-2-phenyl-1*H*-pyrrolo[2,3-*b*]pyridine and the title compound in a ratio of 1:1.6. The title compound and its regioisomer demonstrate the delocalization of the deprotonated anionic 4-chloro-1-(methoxymethyl)-2-phenyl-1*H*-pyrrolo[2,3-*b*]pyridine species. The phenyl moiety encloses a dihedral angle of 7.91 (8)° toward the azaindole system. The crystal structure is characterized by intermolecular hydrogen bond C5—H5···O15 (2.32 Å) and intramolecular hydrogen interactions C13—H13···N1 (2.54 Å), C14—H14B···N1 (2.48°). Stabilization of the three dimensional network is performed by π - π interactions between the pyridine and the phenyl rings with centroid distances of 3.807 (1) Å (symmetry operator 1.5-*x*, 1-*y*, -0.5 \mp *z*).

S2. Experimental

2,5 g (11 mmol) 4-chloro-1-(methoxymethyl)-2-phenyl-1*H*-pyrrolo[2,3-*b*]pyridine was dissolved in dry THF (15 ml). After addition of 0.61 g (15 mmol) NaH (60% in mineral oil) the reaction mixture was stirred for 15 minutes at room temperature. 7.3 ml (15 mmol) methoxymethylchloride (2.1M in toluene) was added and the mixture was stirred for further 15 minutes. The reaction mixture was quenched with concentrated aqueous ammonium chloride solution. After extraction with ethyl acetate, the crude product was purified by flash chromatography. Crystals suitable for X-ray analysis were obtained by slow crystallisation from methanol.

S3. Refinement

Hydrogen atoms attached to carbons were placed at calculated positions with C—H = 0.95 Å (aromatic) or 0.98–0.99 Å (*sp*³ C-atom). All H atoms were refined in the riding-model approximation with isotropic displacement parameters (set at 1.2–1.5 times of the U_{eq} of the parent atom).

**Figure 1**

View of compound I. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.

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$D_x = 1.395$ Mg m⁻³

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$0.32 \times 0.21 \times 0.08$ mm

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$h = -11 \rightarrow 9$

$k = -11 \rightarrow 12$

$l = -18 \rightarrow 20$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2

Least-squares matrix: full

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.037$

$wR(F^2) = 0.079$

$S = 1.03$

3084 reflections

173 parameters

0 restraints

Primary atom site location: structure-invariant
direct methods

Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier
map

Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites
 H-atom parameters constrained
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0335P)^2 + 0.0915P]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$

$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.21 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.22 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
 Absolute structure: Flack (1983), 1294 Friedel pairs
 Absolute structure parameter: 0.02 (6)

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 (\AA^2)

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
C11	0.29645 (6)	0.30454 (5)	0.60634 (3)	0.03778 (14)
N1	0.64025 (18)	0.65066 (16)	0.45780 (9)	0.0247 (3)
C2	0.5784 (2)	0.55036 (19)	0.40408 (11)	0.0237 (4)
C3	0.4866 (2)	0.4524 (2)	0.44513 (11)	0.0258 (4)
H3	0.4352	0.3746	0.4208	0.031*
C3A	0.4856 (2)	0.4927 (2)	0.53056 (11)	0.0245 (4)
C4	0.4173 (2)	0.44943 (18)	0.60500 (12)	0.0270 (4)
C5	0.4472 (2)	0.5205 (2)	0.68003 (11)	0.0300 (4)
H5	0.3997	0.4909	0.7312	0.036*
C6	0.5454 (2)	0.6330 (2)	0.67921 (11)	0.0299 (4)
H6	0.5669	0.6793	0.7308	0.036*
N7	0.61298 (17)	0.68081 (16)	0.60720 (9)	0.0263 (3)
C7A	0.5837 (2)	0.61451 (19)	0.53258 (11)	0.0242 (4)
C8	0.6076 (2)	0.56108 (19)	0.31251 (10)	0.0246 (4)
C9	0.5316 (2)	0.4728 (2)	0.25586 (13)	0.0328 (5)
H9	0.4647	0.4017	0.2767	0.039*
C10	0.5525 (3)	0.4874 (2)	0.16978 (12)	0.0367 (5)
H10	0.4995	0.4268	0.1321	0.044*
C11	0.6500 (3)	0.5900 (2)	0.13843 (12)	0.0349 (5)
H11	0.6630	0.6008	0.0793	0.042*
C12	0.7285 (2)	0.6765 (2)	0.19367 (12)	0.0329 (5)
H12	0.7980	0.7453	0.1725	0.040*
C13	0.7061 (2)	0.6632 (2)	0.28038 (11)	0.0289 (4)
H13	0.7587	0.7245	0.3178	0.035*
C14	0.7186 (2)	0.8020 (2)	0.61091 (11)	0.0305 (4)
H14A	0.8005	0.7861	0.6544	0.037*
H14B	0.7723	0.8131	0.5559	0.037*
O15	0.63663 (17)	0.92266 (14)	0.62990 (7)	0.0332 (3)
C16	0.5440 (3)	0.9729 (2)	0.56147 (14)	0.0435 (6)

H16A	0.4921	1.0594	0.5781	0.065*
H16B	0.4640	0.9039	0.5466	0.065*
H16C	0.6123	0.9901	0.5127	0.065*

Atomic displacement parameters (Å²)

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
C11	0.0405 (3)	0.0307 (2)	0.0422 (3)	-0.0039 (2)	0.0068 (2)	0.0094 (2)
N1	0.0236 (8)	0.0267 (8)	0.0239 (8)	-0.0023 (7)	0.0015 (6)	-0.0018 (6)
C2	0.0219 (9)	0.0252 (9)	0.0241 (8)	0.0029 (8)	-0.0003 (7)	-0.0015 (7)
C3	0.0272 (10)	0.0230 (9)	0.0272 (9)	0.0013 (8)	-0.0015 (7)	-0.0004 (7)
C3A	0.0233 (9)	0.0239 (9)	0.0262 (9)	0.0038 (8)	-0.0022 (7)	0.0026 (7)
C4	0.0257 (9)	0.0239 (9)	0.0313 (9)	0.0040 (8)	0.0024 (8)	0.0059 (8)
C5	0.0341 (11)	0.0309 (11)	0.0251 (10)	0.0071 (9)	0.0047 (8)	0.0063 (8)
C6	0.0337 (11)	0.0344 (11)	0.0215 (9)	0.0066 (9)	-0.0002 (8)	-0.0019 (7)
N7	0.0258 (8)	0.0294 (8)	0.0237 (7)	0.0014 (7)	-0.0018 (6)	-0.0014 (7)
C7A	0.0222 (9)	0.0261 (9)	0.0242 (9)	0.0026 (8)	-0.0022 (7)	0.0000 (7)
C8	0.0242 (10)	0.0260 (10)	0.0238 (8)	0.0052 (8)	0.0013 (7)	-0.0008 (7)
C9	0.0377 (12)	0.0317 (11)	0.0290 (10)	-0.0023 (9)	0.0015 (8)	0.0001 (8)
C10	0.0430 (13)	0.0395 (12)	0.0276 (10)	0.0049 (11)	-0.0036 (8)	-0.0056 (8)
C11	0.0397 (12)	0.0418 (12)	0.0233 (9)	0.0141 (10)	0.0025 (8)	0.0027 (8)
C12	0.0301 (11)	0.0364 (11)	0.0323 (10)	0.0053 (10)	0.0070 (8)	0.0084 (8)
C13	0.0259 (10)	0.0311 (10)	0.0297 (9)	0.0020 (9)	0.0013 (8)	-0.0005 (7)
C14	0.0276 (10)	0.0328 (9)	0.0311 (9)	-0.0026 (10)	-0.0024 (8)	-0.0067 (9)
O15	0.0412 (8)	0.0321 (7)	0.0263 (7)	0.0032 (7)	0.0014 (5)	-0.0073 (5)
C16	0.0458 (14)	0.0366 (13)	0.0480 (13)	0.0034 (12)	-0.0096 (10)	0.0018 (10)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

C11—C4	1.7345 (19)	C8—C9	1.396 (3)
N1—C7A	1.326 (2)	C9—C10	1.383 (3)
N1—C2	1.393 (2)	C9—H9	0.9500
C2—C3	1.387 (3)	C10—C11	1.383 (3)
C2—C8	1.476 (2)	C10—H10	0.9500
C3—C3A	1.409 (2)	C11—C12	1.381 (3)
C3—H3	0.9500	C11—H11	0.9500
C3A—C4	1.379 (3)	C12—C13	1.394 (3)
C3A—C7A	1.441 (3)	C12—H12	0.9500
C4—C5	1.396 (3)	C13—H13	0.9500
C5—C6	1.369 (3)	C14—O15	1.390 (2)
C5—H5	0.9500	C14—H14A	0.9900
C6—N7	1.358 (2)	C14—H14B	0.9900
C6—H6	0.9500	O15—C16	1.425 (2)
N7—C7A	1.368 (2)	C16—H16A	0.9800
N7—C14	1.475 (2)	C16—H16B	0.9800
C8—C13	1.389 (3)	C16—H16C	0.9800
C7A—N1—C2	103.15 (15)	C10—C9—C8	120.91 (19)

C3—C2—N1	113.49 (16)	C10—C9—H9	119.5
C3—C2—C8	127.11 (16)	C8—C9—H9	119.5
N1—C2—C8	119.31 (16)	C11—C10—C9	120.27 (19)
C2—C3—C3A	105.44 (16)	C11—C10—H10	119.9
C2—C3—H3	127.3	C9—C10—H10	119.9
C3A—C3—H3	127.3	C12—C11—C10	119.57 (18)
C4—C3A—C3	137.84 (18)	C12—C11—H11	120.2
C4—C3A—C7A	118.06 (16)	C10—C11—H11	120.2
C3—C3A—C7A	104.08 (15)	C11—C12—C13	120.28 (19)
C3A—C4—C5	120.28 (17)	C11—C12—H12	119.9
C3A—C4—C11	120.18 (14)	C13—C12—H12	119.9
C5—C4—C11	119.54 (14)	C8—C13—C12	120.59 (17)
C6—C5—C4	119.48 (17)	C8—C13—H13	119.7
C6—C5—H5	120.3	C12—C13—H13	119.7
C4—C5—H5	120.3	O15—C14—N7	111.71 (14)
N7—C6—C5	122.29 (17)	O15—C14—H14A	109.3
N7—C6—H6	118.9	N7—C14—H14A	109.3
C5—C6—H6	118.9	O15—C14—H14B	109.3
C6—N7—C7A	119.43 (16)	N7—C14—H14B	109.3
C6—N7—C14	119.50 (15)	H14A—C14—H14B	107.9
C7A—N7—C14	121.07 (15)	C14—O15—C16	113.35 (14)
N1—C7A—N7	125.76 (17)	O15—C16—H16A	109.5
N1—C7A—C3A	113.83 (15)	O15—C16—H16B	109.5
N7—C7A—C3A	120.40 (15)	H16A—C16—H16B	109.5
C13—C8—C9	118.36 (17)	O15—C16—H16C	109.5
C13—C8—C2	120.75 (16)	H16A—C16—H16C	109.5
C9—C8—C2	120.84 (17)	H16B—C16—H16C	109.5
C7A—N1—C2—C3	-0.8 (2)	C14—N7—C7A—C3A	177.31 (16)
C7A—N1—C2—C8	176.10 (15)	C4—C3A—C7A—N1	-178.06 (17)
N1—C2—C3—C3A	1.3 (2)	C3—C3A—C7A—N1	0.7 (2)
C8—C2—C3—C3A	-175.36 (16)	C4—C3A—C7A—N7	2.8 (3)
C2—C3—C3A—C4	177.3 (2)	C3—C3A—C7A—N7	-178.39 (16)
C2—C3—C3A—C7A	-1.13 (19)	C3—C2—C8—C13	-178.33 (18)
C3—C3A—C4—C5	180.0 (2)	N1—C2—C8—C13	5.2 (3)
C7A—C3A—C4—C5	-1.8 (3)	C3—C2—C8—C9	4.5 (3)
C3—C3A—C4—C11	1.1 (3)	N1—C2—C8—C9	-171.98 (17)
C7A—C3A—C4—C11	179.34 (13)	C13—C8—C9—C10	-0.7 (3)
C3A—C4—C5—C6	-0.3 (3)	C2—C8—C9—C10	176.57 (18)
C11—C4—C5—C6	178.58 (14)	C8—C9—C10—C11	0.3 (3)
C4—C5—C6—N7	1.5 (3)	C9—C10—C11—C12	1.0 (3)
C5—C6—N7—C7A	-0.4 (3)	C10—C11—C12—C13	-1.8 (3)
C5—C6—N7—C14	-179.51 (17)	C9—C8—C13—C12	-0.2 (3)
C2—N1—C7A—N7	179.07 (17)	C2—C8—C13—C12	-177.44 (17)
C2—N1—C7A—C3A	0.0 (2)	C11—C12—C13—C8	1.4 (3)
C6—N7—C7A—N1	179.26 (18)	C6—N7—C14—O15	-68.9 (2)
C14—N7—C7A—N1	-1.7 (3)	C7A—N7—C14—O15	111.99 (17)
C6—N7—C7A—C3A	-1.8 (3)	N7—C14—O15—C16	-73.6 (2)

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

<i>D</i> —H··· <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H	H··· <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> ··· <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H··· <i>A</i>
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