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## 3-(2-Fluorophenoxy)propanoic acid

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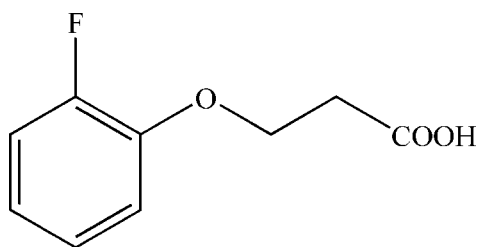
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 Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 153$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.007$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.080;  $wR$  factor = 0.189; data-to-parameter ratio = 12.4.

In the title compound,  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_9\text{FO}_3$ , the dihedral angle between the carboxyl group and the benzene ring is  $79.4(3)^\circ$ . In the crystal, molecules form centrosymmetric dimers through pairs of classical  $\text{O}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  hydrogen bonds. These are further linked by weaker  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  interactions, forming a three-dimensional network.

## Related literature

For a related structure, see: Potrzebowski & Chruszcz (2007).  
For the synthesis, see: Bäurle *et al.* (2006).



## Experimental

## Crystal data

 $\text{C}_9\text{H}_9\text{FO}_3$ 
 $M_r = 184.16$ 

 Monoclinic,  $P2_1/c$   
 $a = 13.934(16)$  Å  
 $b = 4.974(5)$  Å  
 $c = 13.098(14)$  Å  
 $\beta = 110.546(12)^\circ$   
 $V = 850.0(16)$  Å<sup>3</sup>
 $Z = 4$   
 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 0.12$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 153$  K  
 $0.45 \times 0.30 \times 0.08$  mm

## Data collection

 Rigaku AFC10/Saturn724+  
 diffractometer  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan  
 (*CrystalClear*; Rigaku, 2008)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.947$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.990$ 

 5881 measured reflections  
 1518 independent reflections  
 1034 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.070$ 

## Refinement

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.080$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.189$   
 $S = 0.98$   
 1518 reflections  
 122 parameters

 H atoms treated by a mixture of  
 independent and constrained  
 refinement  
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.42$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.38$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-\text{H}\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}$	$\text{H}\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}\cdots A$
$\text{O3}-\text{H4O}\cdots\text{O2}^i$	0.91 (7)	1.77 (7)	2.671 (6)	177 (7)
$\text{C4}-\text{H4}\cdots\text{O1}$	0.95	2.57	3.519 (7)	176

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

Data collection: *CrystalClear* (Rigaku, 2008); cell refinement: *CrystalClear*; data reduction: *CrystalClear*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 2008); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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#### S1. Comment

The title compound, (I), is an important intermediate in the synthesis of 8-fluorochroman-4-one (Bäurle *et al.*, 2006). We report herein its structure (Fig. 1).

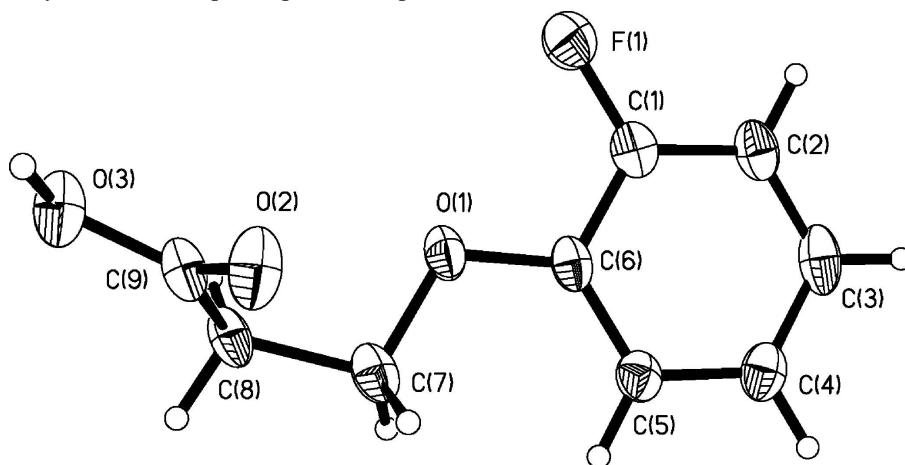
The bond lengths and angles in (I) are within normal ranges (Potrzebowski & Chruszcz, 2007). The dihedral angle between the C1—C6 benzene ring and the C9/O2/O3 plane is 79.4 (3)°. In the crystal, molecules form centrosymmetric dimers through classical O3—H4O···O2 hydrogen bonds (Table 1). These are further linked by weaker C4—H4···O1 contacts forming a three-dimensional network.

#### S2. Experimental

The title compound was crystallized from dichloromethane and hexane (1:1); colorless block-shaped crystals were obtained after several days.

#### S3. Refinement

The crystals were not of good quality resulting in uncertainties in unit cell dimensions and other metrical data being somewhat higher than normal. Positional parameters of all the H atoms bonded to C atoms were calculated geometrically and were allowed to ride on the C atoms to which they were bonded, with C—H distances of 0.95 Å (CH), 0.99 Å (CH<sub>2</sub>), and with  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}$  of the parent atoms. The H-atom of the OH group was located in a difference map and allowed to refine freely with an isotropic displacement parameter.



**Figure 1**

A view of the title compound with the atomic numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.

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## Crystal data

C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>9</sub>FO<sub>3</sub> $M_r = 184.16$ Monoclinic,  $P2_1/c$ 

Hall symbol: -P 2ybc

 $a = 13.934 (16) \text{ \AA}$  $b = 4.974 (5) \text{ \AA}$  $c = 13.098 (14) \text{ \AA}$  $\beta = 110.546 (12)^\circ$  $V = 850.0 (16) \text{ \AA}^3$  $Z = 4$  $F(000) = 384$  $D_x = 1.439 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$ 

Cell parameters from 2182 reflections

 $\theta = 3.1\text{--}27.5^\circ$  $\mu = 0.12 \text{ mm}^{-1}$  $T = 153 \text{ K}$ 

Block, colorless

 $0.45 \times 0.30 \times 0.08 \text{ mm}$ 

## Data collection

Rigaku AFC10/Saturn724+

diffractometer

Radiation source: Rotating Anode

Graphite monochromator

Detector resolution: 28.5714 pixels  $\text{mm}^{-1}$  $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans

Absorption correction: multi-scan

(CrystalClear; Rigaku, 2008)

 $T_{\min} = 0.947$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.990$ 

5881 measured reflections

1518 independent reflections

1034 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$  $R_{\text{int}} = 0.070$  $\theta_{\max} = 25.5^\circ$ ,  $\theta_{\min} = 3.1^\circ$  $h = -16 \rightarrow 16$  $k = -6 \rightarrow 6$  $l = -15 \rightarrow 15$ 

## Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$ 

Least-squares matrix: full

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.080$  $wR(F^2) = 0.189$  $S = 0.98$ 

1518 reflections

122 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 atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement

 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0106P)^2 + 5.690P]$ where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$  $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.42 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$  $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.38 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$ 

## Special details

**Geometry.** All e.s.d.'s (except the e.s.d. in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell e.s.d.'s are taken into account individually in the estimation of e.s.d.'s in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between e.s.d.'s in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell e.s.d.'s is used for estimating e.s.d.'s 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 ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )

	$x$	$y$	$z$	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
F1	0.1148 (2)	0.0797 (6)	0.0408 (2)	0.0401 (7)
O1	0.2551 (2)	0.4195 (6)	0.1573 (2)	0.0279 (7)
O2	0.4656 (2)	0.4357 (6)	0.1091 (3)	0.0358 (8)

O3	0.4220 (2)	0.7887 (6)	-0.0035 (3)	0.0350 (8)
C8	0.3591 (3)	0.7823 (8)	0.1414 (4)	0.0279 (10)
H8A	0.2946	0.8508	0.0873	0.034*
H8B	0.3981	0.9392	0.1815	0.034*
C6	0.2124 (3)	0.2528 (8)	0.2131 (4)	0.0239 (9)
C5	0.2368 (3)	0.2465 (8)	0.3253 (3)	0.0264 (9)
H5	0.2869	0.3663	0.3705	0.032*
C1	0.1372 (3)	0.0743 (9)	0.1491 (4)	0.0281 (10)
C3	0.1149 (3)	-0.1099 (9)	0.3076 (4)	0.0339 (11)
H3	0.0820	-0.2334	0.3399	0.041*
C9	0.4201 (3)	0.6507 (8)	0.0816 (4)	0.0279 (10)
C7	0.3327 (3)	0.6037 (8)	0.2214 (4)	0.0288 (10)
H7A	0.3941	0.5042	0.2677	0.035*
H7B	0.3064	0.7129	0.2691	0.035*
C4	0.1878 (3)	0.0641 (9)	0.3721 (4)	0.0301 (10)
H4	0.2050	0.0603	0.4490	0.036*
C2	0.0898 (3)	-0.1050 (9)	0.1967 (4)	0.0304 (10)
H2	0.0395	-0.2255	0.1523	0.036*
H4O	0.462 (5)	0.712 (14)	-0.037 (5)	0.08 (2)*

*Atomic displacement parameters (Å<sup>2</sup>)*

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
F1	0.0365 (15)	0.0424 (16)	0.0402 (16)	-0.0105 (12)	0.0121 (12)	0.0004 (13)
O1	0.0313 (15)	0.0225 (15)	0.0344 (17)	-0.0050 (12)	0.0170 (13)	0.0010 (13)
O2	0.0391 (18)	0.0272 (16)	0.052 (2)	0.0124 (14)	0.0289 (16)	0.0122 (15)
O3	0.0405 (18)	0.0250 (16)	0.050 (2)	0.0084 (14)	0.0291 (16)	0.0076 (15)
C8	0.029 (2)	0.0163 (19)	0.044 (3)	-0.0018 (17)	0.0197 (19)	-0.0018 (18)
C6	0.024 (2)	0.0166 (19)	0.036 (2)	0.0033 (15)	0.0168 (17)	0.0019 (17)
C5	0.032 (2)	0.019 (2)	0.030 (2)	0.0035 (16)	0.0134 (18)	-0.0005 (17)
C1	0.024 (2)	0.025 (2)	0.037 (3)	0.0029 (17)	0.0131 (18)	0.0024 (19)
C3	0.033 (2)	0.025 (2)	0.057 (3)	0.0042 (18)	0.031 (2)	0.009 (2)
C9	0.027 (2)	0.020 (2)	0.041 (3)	-0.0025 (17)	0.0175 (19)	0.0010 (19)
C7	0.034 (2)	0.017 (2)	0.043 (3)	0.0003 (17)	0.023 (2)	-0.0049 (19)
C4	0.033 (2)	0.026 (2)	0.035 (2)	0.0088 (18)	0.0168 (19)	0.0066 (19)
C2	0.022 (2)	0.025 (2)	0.045 (3)	0.0006 (17)	0.0131 (19)	0.006 (2)

*Geometric parameters (Å, °)*

F1—C1	1.342 (5)	C6—C1	1.405 (6)
O1—C6	1.372 (5)	C5—C4	1.399 (6)
O1—C7	1.441 (5)	C5—H5	0.9500
O2—C9	1.231 (5)	C1—C2	1.381 (6)
O3—C9	1.317 (5)	C3—C2	1.370 (7)
O3—H4O	0.90 (7)	C3—C4	1.376 (7)
C8—C9	1.494 (6)	C3—H3	0.9500
C8—C7	1.515 (6)	C7—H7A	0.9900
C8—H8A	0.9900	C7—H7B	0.9900

C8—H8B	0.9900	C4—H4	0.9500
C6—C5	1.387 (6)	C2—H2	0.9500
C6—O1—C7	116.8 (3)	C2—C3—H3	120.0
C9—O3—H4O	113 (4)	C4—C3—H3	120.0
C9—C8—C7	115.3 (3)	O2—C9—O3	122.7 (4)
C9—C8—H8A	108.4	O2—C9—C8	123.8 (4)
C7—C8—H8A	108.4	O3—C9—C8	113.5 (4)
C9—C8—H8B	108.4	O1—C7—C8	106.5 (4)
C7—C8—H8B	108.4	O1—C7—H7A	110.4
H8A—C8—H8B	107.5	C8—C7—H7A	110.4
O1—C6—C5	126.0 (4)	O1—C7—H7B	110.4
O1—C6—C1	115.9 (4)	C8—C7—H7B	110.4
C5—C6—C1	118.2 (4)	H7A—C7—H7B	108.6
C6—C5—C4	120.2 (4)	C3—C4—C5	120.5 (4)
C6—C5—H5	119.9	C3—C4—H4	119.8
C4—C5—H5	119.9	C5—C4—H4	119.8
F1—C1—C2	121.3 (4)	C3—C2—C1	120.3 (4)
F1—C1—C6	117.8 (4)	C3—C2—H2	119.8
C2—C1—C6	120.9 (4)	C1—C2—H2	119.8
C2—C3—C4	119.9 (4)		
C7—O1—C6—C5	0.3 (6)	C7—C8—C9—O3	165.5 (4)
C7—O1—C6—C1	-179.8 (3)	C6—O1—C7—C8	-174.2 (3)
O1—C6—C5—C4	-179.4 (4)	C9—C8—C7—O1	-72.7 (5)
C1—C6—C5—C4	0.7 (6)	C2—C3—C4—C5	-0.1 (6)
O1—C6—C1—F1	0.8 (5)	C6—C5—C4—C3	-0.2 (6)
C5—C6—C1—F1	-179.3 (3)	C4—C3—C2—C1	-0.1 (6)
O1—C6—C1—C2	179.2 (4)	F1—C1—C2—C3	179.0 (4)
C5—C6—C1—C2	-0.9 (6)	C6—C1—C2—C3	0.6 (6)
C7—C8—C9—O2	-15.4 (6)		

*Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)*

<i>D</i> —H $\cdots$ <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H	H $\cdots$ <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> $\cdots$ <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H $\cdots$ <i>A</i>
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