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The crystal structure of methyl 4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-2,7,7-trimethyl-5-oxo-1,4,5,6,7,8-hexahydroquinoline-3-carboxylate, $C_{20}H_{21}Cl_2NO_3$

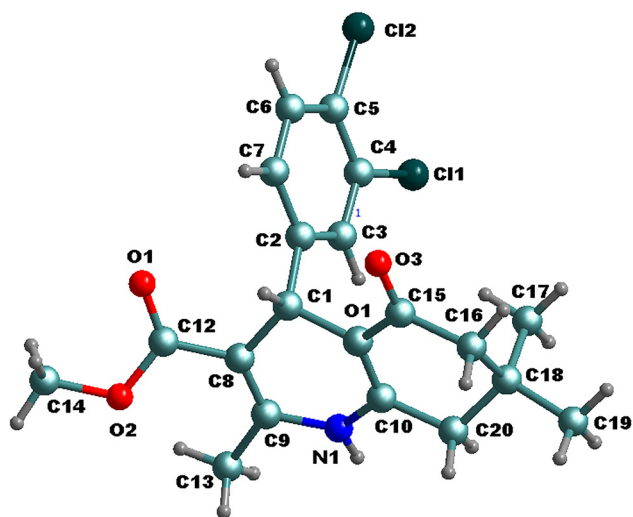


Table 1: Data collection and handling.

Crystal:	Yellow block
Size:	0.29 × 0.24 × 0.18 mm
Wavelength:	Mo K α radiation (0.71073 Å)
μ :	0.37 mm ⁻¹
Diffractometer, scan mode:	Bruker APEX-II, φ and ω scans
$\theta_{\max}$, completeness:	28.7°, 100 %
$N(hkl)_{\text{measured}}$, $N(hkl)_{\text{unique}}$, R_{int} :	22656, 4718, 0.076
Criterion for I_{obs} , $N(hkl)_{\text{gt}}$:	$I_{\text{obs}} > 2 \sigma(I_{\text{obs}})$, 3,175
$N(\text{param})_{\text{refined}}$:	239
Programs:	Bruker, ¹ Olex2, ² SHELX ^{3,4}

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Abstract

$C_{20}H_{21}Cl_2NO_3$, orthorhombic, *Pbca* (no. 61), $a = 14.938(3)$ Å, $b = 13.224(3)$ Å, $c = 18.753(4)$ Å, $V = 3704.3(12)$ Å³, $Z = 8$, R_{gt} (F) = 0.0462, wR_{ref} (F^2) = 0.1435, $T = 296(2)$ K.

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The molecular structure is shown in the figure. Table 1 contains the crystallographic data and the list of the atoms including atomic coordinates and displacement parameters can be found in the cif-file attached to this article.

1 Source of materials

All starting materials were commercial and used without any further purification. The title compound was synthesized as

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follows with reference 5: A mixture of 20 mmol 5,5-dimethyl-1,3-cyclohexanedione, 20 mmol 3,4-dichlorobenzaldehyde, 20 mmol methyl acetoacetate, 30 mmol ammonium acetate in 20 mL methanol was stirred for 5 min, then 2 mmol *p*-toluenesulfonic acid used as catalyst was added. The mixture was stirred for 6 h at room temperature, then washed with saturated sodium bicarbonate, and filtered. The single crystal was obtained by recrystallizing the crude product from an ethanol solution.

2 Experimental details

The structure was solved by Direct Methods with the SHELXS-2018 program. All H-atoms from C and other atoms were positioned with idealized geometry and refined isotropically ($U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2 U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ or $U_{\text{eq}}(\text{N})$) using a riding model with C–H = 0.930, 0.960, 0.970 and 0.980 Å, and N–H = 0.860 Å.

3 Comment

Due to the similar activity of polyhydroquinoline derivatives to 1,4-dihydropyridine derivatives and their pharmacological activities such as calcium ion regulation, the synthesis of hexahydroquinoline derivatives has become an important aspect of research on 1,4-dihydropyridine derivatives. To date, many crystal structures of methyl 2,7,7-trimethyl-5-oxo-

4-phenyl-1,4,5,6,7,8-hexahydroquinoline-3-carboxylate⁵ and its derivatives of chloride-substituted on 4-phenyl group have been reported elsewhere, such as methyl 4-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2,7,7-trimethyl-5-oxo-1,4,5,6,7,8-hexahydroquinoline-3-carboxylate,⁶ methyl 4-(2-chloro-5-nitrophenyl)-2,7,7-trimethyl-5-oxo-1,4,5,6,7,8-hexahydroquinoline-3-carboxylate,⁷ methyl 2,7,7-trimethyl-5-oxo-4-(3-chlorophenyl)-1,4,5,6,7,8-hexahydroquinoline-3-carboxylate,^{8,9} 3-(methoxycarbonyl)-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-2,7,7-trimethyl-5-oxo-1,4,5,6,7,8-hexahydroquinoline.^{10,11}

The title compound crystallizes in an orthorhombic space group, *Pbca* (no. 61), with the formula of $C_{20}H_{21}Cl_2NO_3$. The structure consists of one hexahydroquinoline ring (including one dihydropyridine ring and one cyclohexenone ring) and one dichloro-substituted benzene ring. The dihydropyridine ring adapts a flattened boat configuration. The cyclohexenone ring has a sofa-like conformation. The benzene ring is approximately planar. There is one 1D chain generated by a type of intermolecular hydrogen bond, $N1-H1 \cdots O3$. All bond lengths of the title compound are similar to the reported results.^{5–11}

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