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## Pyrrolidine-2,5-dione

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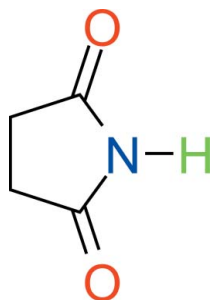
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 135$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.002$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.039;  $wR$  factor = 0.097; data-to-parameter ratio = 14.3.

In the title compound,  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_5\text{NO}_2$ , the non-H atoms are nearly coplanar, with a maximum deviation of 0.030 (1) Å. In the crystal, pairs of molecules are linked by  $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  hydrogen bonds into inversion dimers.

## Related literature

For the synthesis, see: Ilieva *et al.* (2012); Adib *et al.* (2010). For the bioactivity of pyrrolidine-2,5-dione derivatives, see: Obniska *et al.* (2012); Ha *et al.* (2011); Kaminski *et al.* (2011). For related structures, see: Khorasani & Fernandes (2012); Mayes *et al.* (2008).



## Experimental

## Crystal data

$\text{C}_4\text{H}_5\text{NO}_2$   
 $M_r = 99.09$   
Orthorhombic,  $Pbca$   
 $a = 7.3661$  (4) Å  
 $b = 9.5504$  (5) Å  
 $c = 12.8501$  (7) Å

$V = 904.00$  (8) Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 8$   
Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 0.12$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 135$  K  
 $0.40 \times 0.35 \times 0.30$  mm

## Data collection

Agilent Xcalibur Eos diffractometer  
Absorption correction: multi-scan  
(*CrysAlis PRO*; Agilent, 2010)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.911$ ,  $T_{\max} = 1.000$

2022 measured reflections  
915 independent reflections  
732 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.018$

## Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.039$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.097$   
 $S = 1.05$   
915 reflections

64 parameters  
H-atom parameters constrained  
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.15$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.29$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
$\text{N1}-\text{H1}\cdots\text{O2}^i$	0.86	2.00	2.8548 (16)	176

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

Data collection: *CrysAlis PRO* (Agilent, 2010); cell refinement: *CrysAlis PRO*; data reduction: *CrysAlis PRO*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXTL*; molecular graphics: *OLEX2* (Dolomanov *et al.*, 2009); software used to prepare material for publication: *publCIF* (Westrip, 2010).

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### S1. Comment

Pyrrolidine-2,5-diones derivatives are an important class of heterocyclic compounds with essential applications in the organic synthesis and medicinal chemistry. In the organic field, pyrrolidine-2,5-diones derivatives, such as well known 1-bromopyrrolidine-2,5-dione (NBS), are the most commonly used halogenation reagents. Meanwhile, pyrrolidine-2,5-diones derivatives exhibit numerous bioactivity, especially in anticonvulsant (Obniska *et al.*, 2012; Kaminski *et al.*, 2011) and tyrosinase inhibitory activity (Ha *et al.*, 2011). Therefore, development of new and efficient strategies for the synthesis of multi-substituted pyrrolidine-2,5-diones is also the current hot in organic and medical chemistry (Ilieva *et al.*, 2012; Adib *et al.*, 2010). Several crystal structures of title compound derivatives have been reported (Khorasani and Fernandes 2012; Mayes *et al.*, 2008), but crystal data of pyrrolidine-2,5-dione has not been investigated. Herein, we report the synthesis and completely crystal data of title compound.

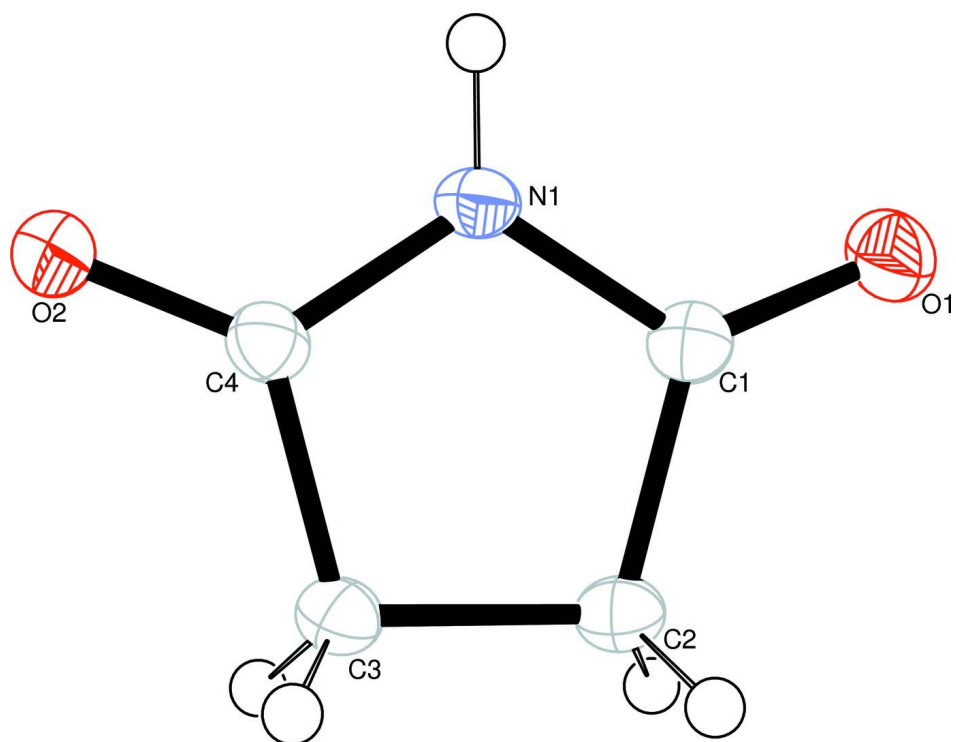
The molecular structure of pyrrolidine-2,5-dione is shown in Fig. 1. The bond lengths and angles are within normal ranges. In the crystal, the molecules are connected through intermolecular N–H···O hydrogen bond (Table 1).

### S2. Experimental

The single crystals of pyrrolidine-2,5-dione, C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>, were recrystallized from acetone at room temperature to give the desired crystals suitable for single-crystal X-ray diffraction, mounted inert oil and transferred to the cold gas stream of the diffractometer

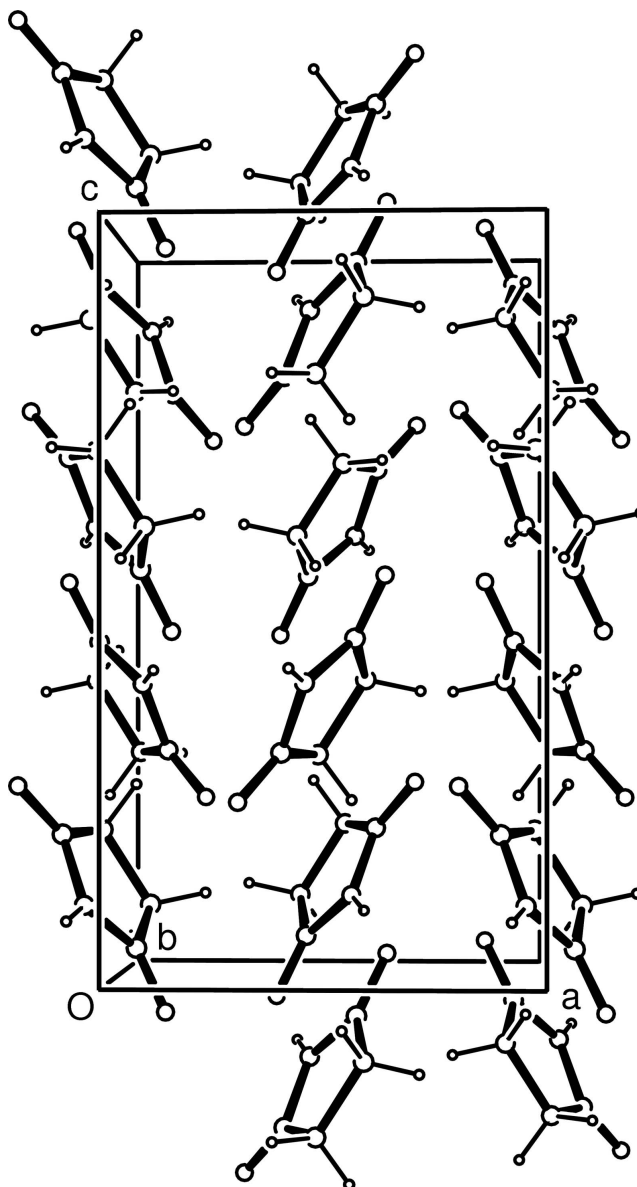
### S3. Refinement

C and N bound-H (atoms were included in idealized positions and refined using a riding-model approximation, with C—H bond lengths fixed at 1.00 Å, 0.99 Å, for methine and methylene H atoms respectively.  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H})$  values were fixed at 1.2U<sub>eq</sub> of the parent atoms for all H atoms.



**Figure 1**

The title compound with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level. H atoms are shown as spheres of arbitrary radius.

**Figure 2**

Plane-to-plane stacking of alternate molecules parallel to the  $a$  axis.

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$V = 904.00\ (8)\ \text{\AA}^3$

$Z = 8$

$F(000) = 416$

$D_x = 1.456\ \text{Mg m}^{-3}$

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.7107\ \text{\AA}$

Cell parameters from 806 reflections

$\theta = 3.2\text{--}28.9^\circ$

$\mu = 0.12\ \text{mm}^{-1}$

$T = 135\ \text{K}$

Block, colourless

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*Data collection*

Agilent Xcalibur Eos diffractometer	2022 measured reflections 915 independent reflections
Radiation source: Enhance (Mo) X-ray Source	732 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
Graphite monochromator	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.018$
Detector resolution: 16.0874 pixels mm <sup>-1</sup>	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 26.4^\circ$ , $\theta_{\text{min}} = 3.2^\circ$
$\omega$ scans	$h = -8 \rightarrow 9$
Absorption correction: multi-scan ( <i>CrysAlis PRO</i> ; Agilent, 2010)	$k = -11 \rightarrow 6$
$T_{\text{min}} = 0.911$ , $T_{\text{max}} = 1.000$	$l = -16 \rightarrow 14$

*Refinement*

Refinement on $F^2$	Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map
Least-squares matrix: full	Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.039$	H-atom parameters constrained
$wR(F^2) = 0.097$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0457P)^2 + 0.1774P]$
$S = 1.05$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
915 reflections	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$
64 parameters	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.15 \text{ e } \text{Å}^{-3}$
0 restraints	$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.29 \text{ e } \text{Å}^{-3}$
Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods	

*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 ( $\text{Å}^2$ )*

	$x$	$y$	$z$	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
N1	0.04477 (16)	0.61457 (13)	0.39506 (9)	0.0197 (3)
H1	0.0772	0.5317	0.4135	0.024*
O1	0.19664 (16)	0.61963 (11)	0.23948 (8)	0.0291 (3)
O2	-0.13630 (16)	0.66055 (12)	0.53572 (8)	0.0312 (3)
C2	0.0226 (2)	0.82282 (15)	0.30007 (12)	0.0211 (4)
H2A	-0.0546	0.8346	0.2395	0.025*
H2B	0.1184	0.8924	0.2979	0.025*
C1	0.10102 (19)	0.67648 (15)	0.30357 (12)	0.0197 (4)
C4	-0.0668 (2)	0.69665 (16)	0.45340 (11)	0.0204 (4)
C3	-0.0874 (2)	0.83593 (16)	0.40006 (11)	0.0230 (4)
H3A	-0.0403	0.9108	0.4434	0.028*
H3B	-0.2139	0.8549	0.3847	0.028*

Atomic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
N1	0.0206 (6)	0.0160 (6)	0.0226 (7)	0.0026 (5)	-0.0004 (5)	0.0014 (5)
O1	0.0309 (6)	0.0239 (6)	0.0325 (6)	-0.0004 (5)	0.0126 (5)	-0.0002 (5)
O2	0.0430 (7)	0.0274 (6)	0.0232 (6)	0.0118 (6)	0.0087 (6)	0.0049 (5)
C2	0.0215 (7)	0.0171 (7)	0.0248 (8)	-0.0011 (6)	-0.0004 (6)	0.0020 (6)
C1	0.0173 (7)	0.0186 (8)	0.0231 (7)	-0.0044 (6)	0.0000 (6)	0.0002 (6)
C4	0.0221 (7)	0.0196 (7)	0.0194 (8)	0.0021 (6)	-0.0023 (6)	-0.0016 (6)
C3	0.0301 (8)	0.0167 (7)	0.0222 (8)	0.0015 (7)	0.0003 (7)	-0.0012 (6)

Geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ )

N1—H1	0.8600	C2—H2B	0.9700
N1—C1	1.3796 (19)	C2—C1	1.513 (2)
N1—C4	1.3609 (19)	C2—C3	1.524 (2)
O1—C1	1.2121 (17)	C4—C3	1.504 (2)
O2—C4	1.2246 (18)	C3—H3A	0.9700
C2—H2A	0.9700	C3—H3B	0.9700
C1—N1—H1	123.1	O1—C1—C2	127.99 (14)
C4—N1—H1	123.1	N1—C4—C3	108.61 (12)
C4—N1—C1	113.83 (13)	O2—C4—N1	124.48 (14)
H2A—C2—H2B	108.9	O2—C4—C3	126.91 (14)
C1—C2—H2A	110.8	C2—C3—H3A	110.8
C1—C2—H2B	110.8	C2—C3—H3B	110.8
C1—C2—C3	104.70 (12)	C4—C3—C2	104.96 (12)
C3—C2—H2A	110.8	C4—C3—H3A	110.8
C3—C2—H2B	110.8	C4—C3—H3B	110.8
N1—C1—C2	107.85 (12)	H3A—C3—H3B	108.8
O1—C1—N1	124.16 (14)		
N1—C4—C3—C2	1.90 (16)	C4—N1—C1—O1	-177.92 (14)
O2—C4—C3—C2	-178.47 (14)	C4—N1—C1—C2	2.11 (16)
C1—N1—C4—O2	177.78 (14)	C3—C2—C1—N1	-0.75 (15)
C1—N1—C4—C3	-2.58 (17)	C3—C2—C1—O1	179.29 (15)
C1—C2—C3—C4	-0.66 (15)		

Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ )

$D—H\cdots A$	$D—H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D—H\cdots A$
N1—H1 $\cdots$ O2 <sup>i</sup>	0.86	2.00	2.8548 (16)	176

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