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## 3-Chloro-2,4,5-trifluorobenzoic acid

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; T = 293 K; mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.006 Å; R factor = 0.052; wR factor = 0.132; data-to-parameter ratio = 11.8.

The title compound,  $C_7H_2ClF_3O_2$ , was prepared by the chlorination of 3-amino-2,4,5-trifluorobenzoic acid. The carboxyl group is twisted relative to the benzene ring by 6.8 (1)°. In the crystal, pairs of  $O-H \cdots O$  hydrogen bonds link molecules into typical centrosymmetric carboxylic acid dimers. These dimers are arranged into sheets parallel to (103).

### **Related literature**

For applications of the title compound in synthesis, see: Sun et al. (2011). For a related structure, see: Zhu (2009).



## **Experimental**

Crystal data C7H2ClF3O2

 $M_r = 210.54$ 

Monoclinic, $P2_1/n$	
a = 4.4760 (9)  Å	
<i>b</i> = 13.654 (3) Å	
c = 12.400 (3) Å	
$\beta = 97.16 \ (3)^{\circ}$	
V = 751.9 (3) Å <sup>3</sup>	

## Data collection

Enraf–Nonius CAD-4	1394 independent reflections
diffractometer	699 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
Absorption correction: $\psi$ scan	$R_{\rm int} = 0.092$
(North et al., 1968)	3 standard reflections every 200
$T_{\min} = 0.859, \ T_{\max} = 0.950$	reflections
1578 measured reflections	intensity decay: 1%

Z = 4

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation

 $0.30 \times 0.20 \times 0.10 \text{ mm}$ 

 $\mu = 0.52 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ 

T = 293 K

#### Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.052$	118 parameters
$wR(F^2) = 0.132$	H-atom parameters constrained
S = 1.00	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.16 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$
1394 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.17 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$

## Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

 $D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$ D-H $H \cdots A$  $D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$  $D \cdot \cdot \cdot A$  $O2-H2A\cdots O1^{i}$ 0.82 1.84 2.658 (4) 178 Symmetry code: (i) -x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 1.

Data collection: CAD-4 EXPRESS (Enraf-Nonius, 1994); cell refinement: CAD-4 EXPRESS; data reduction: XCAD4 (Harms & Wocadlo, 1995); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXTL; molecular graphics: SHELXTL; software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL.

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## S1. Comment

Ethyl 8-chloro-1-cyclopropyl-6,7-difluoro-4-oxo-1,4-dihydroquinoline- 3-carboxylate is a key intermediate in the preparation of 7-aminosubstituted 8-chloro-1-cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-1,4-dihydro-4-oxo-3-quinolinecarboxylic acids which are useful as antibacterial agents and its crystal structure was recently reported (Sun *et al.*, 2011). In turn 3-chloro-2,4,5-trifluorobenzoic acid, that is not commercially available, is an important material for its preparation. This compound is not easisly synthesized and herein we report its synthesis and the crystal structure.

In the title molecule (Fig. 1) the carboxyl group forms a dihedral angle of  $6.8 (1)^{\circ}$  with the benzene ring. Intermolecular O—H…O hydrogen bond (Table 1) links the molecules into typical carboxylic acid dimers.

## **S2. Experimental**

A solid mixture of 0.52 g of 3-amino-2,4,5-trifluorobenzoic acid and 0.33 g of sodium nitrite was added in portions to a solution of 3 g of cupric chloride in 9 ml of water and 0.5 g of a 36% aqueous solution of hydrochloric acid. The resulting mixture was stirred for 1.5 h and then additional water (25 ml) and diethyl ether (20 ml) were added. The layers are separated and the aqueous layer extracted with diethyl ether. The combined organic extracts are extracted with 36% aqueous solution of hydrochloric acid and then concentrated on the rotary evaporator to give 0.45 g of 3-chloro-2,4,5-trifluorobenzoic acid as a light-brown solid. Crystals of the title compound suitable for X-ray analysis were obtained by slow evaporation of a toluene solution.

## **S3. Refinement**

H atoms were positioned geometrically with O—H = 0.82 Å and C—H = 0.93 Å and constrained to ride on their parent atoms, with  $U_{iso}(H) = xUeq(C,O)$ , where x = 1.5 for OH and x = 1.2 for CH H atoms.





The molecular structure of (I), showing the atom-numbering scheme and displacement ellipsoids at the 30% probability level.



## Figure 2

A packing diagram of (I). Intermolecular hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines.

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Crystal data

C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>2</sub>ClF<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>  $M_r = 210.54$ Monoclinic,  $P2_1/n$ Hall symbol: -P 2yn a = 4.4760 (9) Å b = 13.654 (3) Å c = 12.400 (3) Å  $\beta = 97.16$  (3)° V = 751.9 (3) Å<sup>3</sup> Z = 4

## Data collection

Enraf–Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube Graphite monochromator  $\omega/2\theta$  scans F(000) = 416  $D_x = 1.860 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo Ka radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ Å}$ Cell parameters from 25 reflections  $\theta = 10-13^{\circ}$   $\mu = 0.52 \text{ mm}^{-1}$  T = 293 KBlock, colourless  $0.30 \times 0.20 \times 0.10 \text{ mm}$ 

Absorption correction:  $\psi$  scan (North *et al.*, 1968)  $T_{\min} = 0.859$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.950$ 1578 measured reflections 1394 independent reflections 699 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   $R_{int} = 0.092$   $\theta_{max} = 25.4^{\circ}, \ \theta_{min} = 2.2^{\circ}$   $h = 0 \rightarrow 5$  $k = 0 \rightarrow 16$ 

Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$ Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier Least-squares matrix: full map  $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.052$ Hydrogen site location: inferred from  $wR(F^2) = 0.132$ neighbouring sites S = 1.00H-atom parameters constrained 1394 reflections  $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.052P)^2]$ 118 parameters where  $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$ 0 restraints  $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.16 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$ Primary atom site location: structure-invariant  $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.17 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$ 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.

 $l = -14 \rightarrow 14$ 

intensity decay: 1%

3 standard reflections every 200 reflections

**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.

	x	y	Ζ	$U_{\rm iso}$ */ $U_{\rm eq}$	
Cl	0.2118 (3)	0.00527 (9)	0.37810(10)	0.1012 (5)	
F1	0.4799 (5)	0.18021 (17)	0.48010 (19)	0.0847 (7)	
C1	0.2598 (8)	0.2017 (3)	0.4004 (3)	0.0618 (10)	
01	0.2232 (6)	0.4641 (2)	0.4113 (2)	0.0892 (9)	
02	0.5635 (6)	0.3685 (2)	0.5008 (2)	0.0849 (9)	
H2A	0.6253	0.4209	0.5272	0.127*	
F2	-0.2511 (6)	0.0700 (2)	0.2054 (2)	0.1026 (9)	
C2	0.1144 (10)	0.1237 (3)	0.3435 (3)	0.0711 (11)	
C3	-0.1036 (10)	0.1438 (4)	0.2615 (3)	0.0768 (12)	
F3	-0.4110 (5)	0.2527 (2)	0.15189 (18)	0.0911 (8)	
C4	-0.1863 (9)	0.2388 (3)	0.2335 (3)	0.0687 (11)	
C5	-0.0428 (8)	0.3137 (3)	0.2896 (3)	0.0645 (10)	
H5A	-0.0972	0.3778	0.2707	0.077*	
C6	0.1844 (8)	0.2971 (3)	0.3749 (3)	0.0555 (9)	
C7	0.3271 (8)	0.3836 (3)	0.4317 (3)	0.0583 (9)	

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters  $(Å^2)$ 

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

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
Cl	0.1469 (12)	0.0629 (7)	0.0972 (9)	0.0035 (7)	0.0284 (7)	-0.0006 (7)
F1	0.1002 (18)	0.0701 (15)	0.0811 (14)	0.0138 (13)	0.0013 (13)	-0.0033 (13)

# supporting information

C1	0.068 (3)	0.067 (3)	0.051 (2)	0.006 (2)	0.0116 (19)	0.0000 (19)
01	0.103 (2)	0.0606 (19)	0.095 (2)	0.0080 (16)	-0.0235 (17)	-0.0072 (16)
O2	0.096 (2)	0.0667 (18)	0.086 (2)	0.0034 (15)	-0.0111 (17)	-0.0161 (16)
F2	0.122 (2)	0.091 (2)	0.0952 (18)	-0.0351 (16)	0.0130 (15)	-0.0215 (16)
C2	0.092 (3)	0.061 (3)	0.066 (3)	-0.005 (2)	0.032 (2)	-0.004 (2)
C3	0.080 (3)	0.086 (3)	0.067 (3)	-0.026 (3)	0.020 (2)	-0.016 (3)
F3	0.0777 (15)	0.119 (2)	0.0715 (14)	-0.0059 (14)	-0.0103 (13)	-0.0029 (15)
C4	0.070 (3)	0.079 (3)	0.059 (2)	-0.011 (2)	0.014 (2)	-0.007 (2)
C5	0.068 (3)	0.070 (3)	0.057 (2)	-0.009 (2)	0.0156 (19)	-0.004 (2)
C6	0.056 (2)	0.060 (2)	0.053 (2)	-0.0027 (19)	0.0150 (17)	-0.0031 (18)
C7	0.069 (2)	0.055 (2)	0.050 (2)	0.004 (2)	0.0060 (18)	-0.0007 (17)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

Cl—C2	1.716 (4)	С2—С3	1.346 (6)
F1—C1	1.338 (4)	C3—C4	1.381 (6)
C1—C6	1.373 (5)	F3—C4	1.348 (4)
C1—C2	1.393 (5)	C4—C5	1.354 (5)
O1—C7	1.208 (4)	C5—C6	1.391 (5)
O2—C7	1.293 (4)	С5—Н5А	0.9300
O2—H2A	0.8200	C6—C7	1.479 (5)
F2—C3	1.349 (4)		
F1—C1—C6	121.0 (3)	F3—C4—C3	118.2 (4)
F1—C1—C2	117.5 (4)	C5—C4—C3	119.1 (4)
C6-C1-C2	121.5 (3)	C4—C5—C6	121.4 (4)
C7—O2—H2A	109.5	C4—C5—H5A	119.3
C3—C2—C1	118.4 (4)	С6—С5—Н5А	119.3
C3—C2—C1	121.2 (4)	C1—C6—C5	117.8 (3)
C1—C2—C1	120.4 (3)	C1—C6—C7	124.7 (3)
C2—C3—F2	120.0 (4)	C5—C6—C7	117.5 (3)
C2—C3—C4	121.8 (4)	O1—C7—O2	123.0 (4)
F2—C3—C4	118.2 (4)	O1—C7—C6	119.7 (3)
F3—C4—C5	122.7 (4)	O2—C7—C6	117.2 (4)
F1—C1—C2—C3	-178.7 (3)	F3—C4—C5—C6	178.7 (3)
C6—C1—C2—C3	0.3 (6)	C3—C4—C5—C6	-0.3 (5)
F1—C1—C2—Cl	1.5 (5)	F1—C1—C6—C5	178.8 (3)
C6-C1-C2-Cl	-179.5 (3)	C2-C1-C6-C5	-0.2 (5)
C1-C2-C3-F2	-179.4 (3)	F1—C1—C6—C7	-1.3 (5)
Cl-C2-C3-F2	0.4 (6)	C2-C1-C6-C7	179.7 (3)
C1—C2—C3—C4	-0.5 (6)	C4—C5—C6—C1	0.2 (5)
Cl—C2—C3—C4	179.3 (3)	C4—C5—C6—C7	-179.7 (3)
C2—C3—C4—F3	-178.6 (3)	C1—C6—C7—O1	-171.8 (4)
F2—C3—C4—F3	0.3 (6)	C5—C6—C7—O1	8.1 (5)
C2—C3—C4—C5	0.5 (6)	C1—C6—C7—O2	9.0 (5)
F2—C3—C4—C5	179.4 (3)	C5—C6—C7—O2	-171.1 (3)

## Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

D—H···A	<i>D</i> —Н	H···A	D····A	<i>D</i> —H··· <i>A</i>
O2—H2A···O1 <sup>i</sup>	0.82	1.84	2.658 (4)	178

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