

# Crystal structure of paliperidone, C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>27</sub>FN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>

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The crystal structure of paliperidone has been solved and refined using synchrotron X-ray powder diffraction data, and optimized using density functional techniques. Paliperidone crystallizes in space group  $P2_1/n$  (# 14) with a = 14.15158(6), b = 21.53780(9), c = 6.91326(2) Å,  $\beta = 92.3176$  $(2)^{\circ}$ ,  $V = 2105.396(13) \text{ Å}^3$ , and Z = 4. The unit-cell volume at 295 K is 1.5% larger than at 200 K, but the expansion is anisotropic; the *b*-axis is nearly constant at the two temperatures, while the a- and c-axes expand by 0.71 and 0.87%, respectively. There is only one significant hydrogen (H)-bond in the crystal structure. This H-bond is between the hydroxyl group O31-H58 and the ketone oxygen O25. The result is a chain along the c-axis with graph set C1,1(7). In addition to this H-bond, the molecular packing is dominated by van der Waals attractions. The powder pattern is included in the Powder Diffraction File<sup>™</sup> as entry 00-064-1497. © 2016 International Centre for Diffraction Data. [doi:10.1017/S0885715616000087]

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Paliperidone (trade name Invega) is a benzisoxazole derivative and the principal active metabolite of risperidone. As a dopamine antagonist and serotonin type 2A antagonist of the atypical antipsychotic class of medications, it is approved for the treatment of schizophrenia (Dolder et al., 2008). The systematic name (CAS Registry Number 144598-75-4) is (RS)-3-[2-[4-(6-fluorobenzo[d]isoxazol-3yl)-1-piperidyl]ethyl]-7-hydroxy-4-methyl-1,5-diazabicyclo [4.4.0]deca-3,5-diene-2-one. A two-dimensional molecular diagram is shown in Figure 1.

The presence of high-quality reference powder patterns in the Powder Diffraction File (PDF: ICDD, 2014) is important for phase identification, particularly by pharmaceutical, forensic, and law enforcement scientists. The crystal structures of a significant fraction of the largest dollar volume pharmaceuticals have not been published and thus calculated powder patterns are not present in the PDF-4 databases. Sometimes experimental patterns are reported, but they are generally of low quality. This structure is a result of the collaboration among ICDD, Illinois Institute of Technology (IIT), Poly Crystallography Inc., and Argonne National Laboratory to measure high-quality synchrotron powder patterns of commercial pharmaceutical ingredients, include these reference patterns in the PDF, and determine the crystal structures of these active pharmaceutical ingredients (APIs).

Even when the crystal structure of an API is reported, the single-crystal structure was often determined at low temperature. Most powder measurements are performed at ambient conditions. Thermal expansion (often anisotropic) means that the peak positions calculated from a low-temperature single-crystal structure often differ significantly from those measured at ambient conditions. These peak shifts can result in failure of default search/match algorithms to identify a phase, even when it is present in the sample. High-quality reference patterns measured at ambient conditions are thus critical for easy identification of APIs using standard powder diffraction practices.

### **II. EXPERIMENTAL**

Paliperidone was a commercial reagent, purchased from Santa Cruz Biotechnology, and was used as-received. The white powder was packed into a 1.5 mm diameter Kapton capillary and rotated during the measurement at  $\sim 50$  cycles s<sup>-1</sup>. The powder pattern was measured at 295 K at beam line 11-BM (Lee et al., 2008; Wang et al., 2008) of the Advanced Photon Source at Argonne National Laboratory using a wavelength of 0.413 891 Å from  $0.5^{\circ}$  to  $50^{\circ}2\theta$  with a step size of  $0.001^{\circ}$  and a counting time of  $0.1 \text{ s step}^{-1}$ . The pattern was indexed using Jade 9.5 (MDI, 2014) on a primitive monoclinic unit cell having a = 14.153, b = 21.534, c = 6.913 Å,  $\beta = 92.3^{\circ}$ , and V = 2105.1 Å<sup>3</sup>. The space group was suggested to be  $P2_1/n$ , which is consistent with the racemic nature of commercial material. The unit-cell volume is



Figure 1. The molecular structure of paliperidone.

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Figure 2. (Color online) The Rietveld plot for the refinement of paliperidone. The red crosses represent the observed data points, and the green line is the calculated pattern. The magenta curve is the difference pattern, plotted at the same vertical scales as the other patterns. The vertical scale has been multiplied by a factor of 10 for  $2\theta > 8.0^{\circ}$ , and by a factor of 40 for  $2\theta > 13.5^{\circ}$ .

Scaling: 8.0( 10.0X) 13.5( 40.0X)

#### TABLE I. Rietveld refined crystal structure of paliperidone.

Crystal data	
$C_{23}H_{27}FN_4O_3$ $M_r = 426.49$ Monoclinic, $P2_1/n$ a = 14.15158 (6) Å b = 21.53780 (9) Å c = 6.91326 (2) Å	$\beta = 92.3176 \ (2)^{\circ}$ $V = 2105.396 \ (13) \text{ Å}^3$ Z = 4 synchrotron radiation, $\lambda = 0.413 \ 891 \text{ Å}$ T = 295  K Cylinder, $1.5 \times 1.5 \text{ mm}^2$
Data collection	
11-BM APS diffractometer Specimen mounting: Kapton capillary Data collection mode: transmission	Scan method: step $2\theta_{\min} = 0.5^{\circ}, 2\theta_{\max} = 50^{\circ}, 2\theta_{step} = 0.001^{\circ}$
Refinement	
Least-squares matrix: full $R_p = 0.070$	49 494 data points Profile function: CW Profile function number 4 with 21 terms Pseudovoigt profile coefficients as parameterized in Thompson <i>et al.</i> (1987). Asymmetry correction of Finger <i>et al.</i> (1994). Microstrain broadening by Stephens (1999). #1(GU) = 1.163 #2(GV) = $-0.126$ #3(GW) = $0.063$ #4(GP) = $0.000$ #5(LX) = 0.173 #6(ptec) = $0.00$ #7(trns) = $0.00$ #8(shf) = $0.0000$ #9(sfec) = $0.00$ #10 (S/L) = $0.0011$ #11(H/L) = $0.0011$ #12(eta) = $0.9999$ #13(S400) = $6.4 \times 10^{-3}$ #14(S040) = $6.4 \times 10^{-4}$ #15(S004) = $1.5 \times 10^{-2}$ #16(S220) = $-1.2 \times 10^{-3}$ #17 (S202) = $8.0 \times 10^{-3}$ #18(S022) = $2.5E \times 10^{-4}$ #19(S301) = $7.3 \times 10^{-3}$ #20 (S103) = $9.5 \times 10^{-3}$ #21(S121) = $-7.2 \times 10^{-4}$ Peak tails are ignored where the interprive is below 0.0010 times the negle Anice breadening aris 0.00.01.0
$R_{wp} = 0.086$ $R_{exp} = 0.055$ $R(F^2) = 0.14474$ $\chi^2 = 2.496$	intensity is below 0.0010 times the peak Aniso. broadening axis 0.0 0.0 1.0 111 parameters 83 restraints $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.01$ Background function: GSAS Background function number 1 with 9 terms. Shifted Chebyshev function of 1st kind 1: 172.040 2: -17.5917 3: -6.631 44 4: 12.4497 5: -16.2031 6: -0.506 910 7: 7.177 38 8: -4.726 95 9: 15.9990

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (Å <sup>2</sup> )					
	x	у	Z.		
C1	0.3012 (5)	0.3910 (3)	0.6933 (8)		
C2	0.3278 (5)	0.3453 (4)	0.8126 (9)		
C3	0.4006 (5)	0.3099 (3)	0.7485 (9)		

0.0660 (9)

 $U_{\rm iso}$ 0.0660 (9)

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (Å <sup>2</sup> )					
	x	у	Z	$U_{ m iso}$	
C4	0.4521 (5)	0.3244 (4)	0.5919 (10)	0.0660 (9)	
C5	0.4183 (5)	0.3654 (4)	0.4577 (8)	0.0660 (9)	
C6	0.3417 (5)	0.4034 (4)	0.5158 (9)	0.0660 (9)	
F7	0.4317 (3)	0.2665 (2)	0.8772 (5)	0.0660 (9)	
08	0.2237 (3)	0.4300 (2)	0.7046 (6)	0.0660 (9)	
N9	0.2224 (4)	0.4710 (2)	0.5420 (7)	0.0660 (9)	
C10	0.2914 (4)	0.4552 (3)	0.4383 (8)	0.0660 (9)	
C11	0.3072 (5)	0.4882 (3)	0.2481 (7)	0.0510 (10	
C12	0.3992 (4)	0.5250 (4)	0.2560 (8)	0.0510 (10)	
C13	0.4122 (5)	0.5620 (3)	0.0597 (9)	0.0510 (10	
N14	0.3358 (4)	0.6046 (3)	0.0282 (7)	0.0510 (10	
C15	0.2478 (5)	0.5677 (3)	0.0090 (9)	0.0510 (10)	
C16	0.2251 (4)	0.5337 (3)	0.1921 (9)	0.0510 (10	
C17	0.3494 (4)	0.6426 (3)	-0.1499(8)	0.0379 (18	
C18	0.2861 (4)	0.7002 (3)	-0.1614(8)	0.0379 (18	
C19	0.3242 (4)	0.7496 (3)	-0.0303(6)	0.0397 (7)	
C20	0.2945 (4)	0.7595 (3)	0.1525 (6)	0.0397 (7)	
N21	0.3280 (4)	0.8072 (3)	0.2702 (6)	0.0397 (7)	
C22	0.3983 (4)	0.8395 (3)	0.2070 (7)	0.0397 (7)	
N23	0.4299 (4)	0.8341 (3)	0.0234 (6)	0.0397 (7)	
C24	0.3951 (5)	0.7876 (3)	-0.1034(7)	0.0397 (7)	
025	0.4275 (3)	0.7824(2)	-0.2640(6)	0.0397(7)	
C26	0.2157 (5)	0.7256 (3)	0.2378 (8)	0.0397 (7)	
C27	0.4412(4)	0.8889 (3)	0.3447(8)	0.0397(7)	
C28	0.5017 (5)	0.9360 (3)	0.2425 (8)	0.0397(7)	
C29	0.5664 (4)	0.9041 (3)	0.1066 (8)	0.0397 (7)	
C30	0.5090 (5)	0.8722 (3)	-0.0510(8)	0.0397 (7)	
031	0.5032(4)	0.8547 (3)	0.4661 (7)	0.103 (2)	
H32	0.283.34	0.334 54	0.953 45	0.0858 (11)	
H33	0.501 97	0.28577	0.560 58	0.0858 (11)	
H34	0.454.09	0.372 52	0.337.96	0.0858 (11	
H35	0.31578	0.453 86	0.14174	0.0662 (13	
H36	0.398.38	0.561 07	0.3827	0.0662 (13)	
H37	0.461 86	0.496 39	0.2975	0.0662 (13	
H38	0.42374	0.525 67	-0.041 68	0.0662 (13	
H39	0.48047	0.588.04	0.0835	0.0662 (13	
H40	0.248 11	0.5349	-0.115 33	0.0662 (13	
H41	0.189.09	0.600.26	-0.02292	0.0662 (13)	
H42	0.217 25	0.567 07	0.309 05	0.0662 (13	
H43	0.16074	0.507 57	0.174 52	0.0702 (13	
H44	0.341 57	0.609 18	-0.281 26	0.049 (2)	
H45	0.425 91	0.653 59	-0.14544	0.049 (2)	
H46	0.2936	0.713 71	-0.318 15	0.049 (2)	
H47	0.215 66	0.685 28	-0.146 64	0.049 (2)	
H48	0.243 42	0.677 45	0.283 38	0.0516 (9)	
H49	0.156.37	0.710.55	0.125 66	0.0516 (9)	
H50	0.18362	0.745 63	0.35374	0.0516 (9)	
H51	0.386 91	0.904 16	0.428 57	0.0516 (9)	
H52	0.448 13	0.966 35	0.163 07	0.0516 (9)	
Н53	0.536 52	0.963 81	0.352 98	0.0516 (9)	
H54	0.610 55	0.873 04	0.181 26	0.0516 (9)	
Н55	0.609 57	0.940 79	0.038 35	0.0516 (9)	
H56	0.472 52	0.905 62	-0.155 94	0.0516 (9)	
H57	0.551 56	0.842 64	-0.141 45	0.0516 (9)	
H58	0.474 85	0.826 37	0.557 73	0.134 (3)	

consistent with Z=4. After solution and refinement of the structure, a reduced cell search in the Cambridge Structural Database (Allen, 2002) yielded Refcode YAGRIJ for paliperidone (Betz *et al.*, 2011).

The structure in this study was solved by direct methods (including the Resolution Bias Modification) using

EXPO2009 (Altomare *et al.*, 2009). The Rietveld refinement was carried out using General Structure Analysis System (GSAS) (Larson and Von Dreele, 2004). Only the  $1.8^{\circ}$ – 25.0° portion of the pattern was included in the refinement ( $d_{\min} = 0.96$  Å). All non-H-bond distances and angles were subjected to restraints, based on a Mercury/Mogul Geometry

TABLE II.	DFT-optimized	(CRYSTAL09)	crystal	structure of	f paliperidone.
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Crystal data

C <sub>23</sub> H <sub>27</sub> FN <sub>4</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	$\beta = 92.3176^{\circ}$
$M_{\rm r} = 426.49$	$V = 2105.40 \text{ Å}^3$
Monoclinic, $P2_1/n$	Z = 4
<i>a</i> = 14.151 58 Å	
<i>b</i> = 21.537 80 Å	
c = 6 913 26 Å	

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic displacement parameters $(\mathring{A}^2)$					
	X	У	Z.	$U_{\rm iso}$	
C1	0.296 96	0.392 09	0.695 61	0.0660	
C2	0.322 13	0.344 64	0.824 85	0.0660	
C3	0.397 61	0.309 14	0.767 20	0.0660	
C4	0.44617	0.317 82	0.59611	0.0660	
C5	0.41870	0.365 94	0.472 54	0.0660	
C6	0.343 26	0.403 98	0.524 47	0.0660	
F7	0.426 19	0.261 00	0.884 59	0.0660	
O8	0.224 13	0.432 21	0.71288	0.0660	
N9	0.222 07	0.471 97	0.549 19	0.0660	
C10	0.291 42	0.455 66	0.440 27	0.0660	
C11	0.308 32	0.489 42	0.254 45	0.0510	
C12	0.401 43	0.526 97	0.265 36	0.0510	
C13	0.415 02	0.560 84	0.073 67	0.0510	
N14	0.33614	0.602 57	0.025 65	0.0510	
C15	0.247 02	0.567 79	0.007 37	0.0510	
C16	0.227 05	0.533 21	0.19354	0.0510	
C17	0.352 06	0.638 31	-0.14997	0.0397	
C18	0.289 51	0.696 68	-0.16972	0.0397	
C19	0.323 21	0.747 72	-0.03520	0.0397	
C20	0.290 20	0.759 49	0.145 92	0.0397	
N21	0.327 43	0.805 75	0.262 42	0.0397	
C22	0.397 12	0.839 44	0.200 15	0.0397	
N23	0.432 25	0.832 50	0.020 21	0.0397	
C24	0.397 26	0.786 14	-0.105 95	0.0397	
025	0.430 47	0.779 84	-0.26937	0.0397	
C26	0.213 25	0.721 53	0.231 68	0.0397	
C27	0.444.06	0.884 95	0.344 11	0.0397	
C28	0.49/88	0.936 03	0.243 53	0.0397	
C29	0.504 50	0.906 00	0.102.85	0.0397	
021	0.507 55	0.872.01	-0.030 03	0.0397	
U31 U22	0.309 88	0.832.08	0.400.51	0.1054	
H32	0.283 34	0.334 34	0.95345	0.0858	
H3/	0.301 97	0.285 77	0.337.96	0.0858	
H35	0.315.78	0.453.86	0 141 74	0.0650	
H36	0 398 38	0.561.07	0 382 70	0.0662	
H37	0.461.86	0 496 39	0.297.50	0.0662	
H38	0 423 74	0.525.67	-0.04168	0.0662	
H39	0.48047	0.588.04	0.083 50	0.0662	
H40	0.248 11	0.534 90	-0.115 33	0.0662	
H41	0.189 09	0.600 26	-0.02292	0.0662	
H42	0.217 25	0.567 07	0.309 05	0.0662	
H43	0.16074	0.507 57	0.174 52	0.0702	
H44	0.341 57	0.609 18	-0.281 26	0.0493	
H45	0.425 91	0.653 59	-0.14544	0.0493	
H46	0.293 60	0.713 71	-0.318 15	0.0493	
H47	0.215 66	0.685 28	-0.14664	0.0493	
H48	0.243 42	0.677 45	0.283 38	0.0516	
H49	0.15637	0.710 55	0.125 66	0.0516	
H50	0.183 62	0.745 63	0.35374	0.0516	
H51	0.386 91	0.904 16	0.428 57	0.0516	
H52	0.448 13	0.966 35	0.163 07	0.0516	
H53	0.536 52	0.963 81	0.352 98	0.0516	
H54	0.610 55	0.873 04	0.181 26	0.0516	
H55	0.609 57	0.940 79	0.038 35	0.0516	
H56	0.472 52	0.905 62	-0.15594	0.0516	
H57	0.551 56	0.842 64	-0.14145	0.0516	
H58	0.474 85	0.826 37	0.55773	0.1344	



Figure 3. (Color online) Comparison of the refined and optimized structures of paliperidone. The Rietveld refined structure is colored red, and the DFT-optimized structure is in blue.

Check (Bruno et al., 2004; Sykes et al., 2011) of the molecule. The Mogul average and standard deviation for each quantity were used as the restraint parameters. The restraints contributed 3.31% to the final  $\chi^2$ . Isotropic displacement coefficients were refined, grouped by chemical similarity. The hydrogen atoms were included in calculated positions (Materials Studio; Accelrys, 2013), which were recalculated during the refinement. The  $U_{iso}$  of each hydrogen atom was constrained to be  $1.3 \times$  that of the heavy atom to which it is attached. The peak profiles were described using profile function #4 (Thompson et al., 1987; Finger et al., 1994), which includes the Stephens (1999) anisotropic strain broadening model. The background was modeled using a nine-term shifted Chebyshev polynomial. The final refinement of 111 variables using 23 282 observations yielded the residuals  $R_{wp} = 0.086$ ,  $R_{\rm p} = 0.070$ , and  $\chi^2 = 2.496$ . The largest peak (1.24 Å from C26) and hole (0.29 Å from F7) in the difference Fourier map were 0.48 and  $-0.68 e^{-3}$ , respectively. The Rietveld plot is included as Figure 2. The largest errors are in the positions of the low-angle peaks, and may reflect subtle changes in the specimen during the measurement.

The single crystal structure YAGRIJ has the hydroxyl group (in our numbering) C27–O31–H58 disordered over two positions, with occupancies 0.86 and 0.14. In addition, the methyl hydrogens H48, H49, and H50 are disordered over two positions. Refinement of this disordered model (126 variables) using the same strategy yielded the residuals  $R_{\rm wp} = 0.086$ ,  $R_{\rm p} = 0.070$ , and  $\chi^2 = 2.526$ . While it is impossible to know if the single crystal and powder samples were exactly the same, this result points out that it may be difficult to detect small levels of disorder using powder data, even synchrotron powder data.

A density functional geometry optimization (fixed experimental unit cell) was carried out using CRYSTAL09 (Dovesi *et al.*, 2005). The basis sets for the H, C, N, and O atoms were those of Gatti *et al.* (1994), and the basis set for F was that of Nada *et al.* (1993). The calculation used eight *k*-points and the B3LYP functional, and took ~15 days on a 3.0 GHz PC.

#### **III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

The refined atom coordinates of paliperidone are reported in Table I, and the coordinates from the density functional theory (DFT) optimization in Table II. The root-mean-square deviation of the non-hydrogen atoms is 0.068 Å, and the maximum deviation is 0.154 Å, at C43 (Figure 3). The excellent agreement between the refined and optimized structures is strong evidence that the structure is correct (van de Streek and Neumann, 2014). The discussion of the geometry uses



Figure 5. (Color online) The crystal structure of paliperidone, viewed down the c-axis.

the DFT-optimized structure. The asymmetric unit (with atom numbering) is illustrated in Figure 4, and the crystal structure is presented in Figure 5.

All the bond distances, angles, and torsion angles fall within the normal ranges indicated by a Mercury Mogul Geometry Check. A Mercury Molecule Overlay of the current structure and the single-crystal structure YAGRIJ failed, because the hydroxyl group O31–H58 (in our numbering) is disordered 86/14% over two positions in the single-crystal structure. The displacement coefficient of O31 is much higher than that of the other atoms, suggesting that disorder is also present in the room-temperature powder structure. A Mercury Structure Overlay indicated that the root-mean-square difference between the two molecules was only 0.033 Å, and thus the expansion between 200 and 295 K involves intermolecular separations.

A quantum mechanical (DFT/B3LYP functional/6-31G\* basis set/vacuum) energy analysis using Spartan '14 (Wavefunction, 2013) suggests that the observed conformation is with 3.4 kcal mole<sup>-1</sup> of a local minimum. A molecular mechanics (MMFF) conformational analysis indicates that the observed conformation is 43.08 kcal mole<sup>-1</sup> higher in energy than the minimum-energy conformation, which curls up on itself to generate parallel stacking of the fused ring systems. This difference in energy indicates that intermolecular interactions are important in determining the solid-state conformation.

Determination of the single-crystal structure at 200 K and the powder structure at 295 K provides an opportunity to

assess the thermal expansion of paliperidone. The lattice parameters (transformed into the current  $P2_1/n$  setting) are reported in Table III. The unit-cell volume at 295 K is 1.5% larger than at 200 K, but the expansion is anisotropic. The *b*-axis is nearly constant at the two temperatures, while the *a*- and *c*-axes expand by 0.71 and 0.87%, respectively, from 200 to 295 K. Comparison of the observed powder pattern with that calculated from YAGRIJ (Figure 6) shows that the positions of some peaks differ significantly. Some of the differences are large enough that a room-temperature powder diffraction pattern would not be identified as paliperidone in a default search/match, even if a pattern calculated from YAGRIJ were present in the PDF. The differences provide strong evidence for the desirability of including high-quality ambient-condition patterns in the PDF<sup>TM</sup>.

There is only one significant hydrogen bond in the crystal structure of paliperidone (Table IV). This H-bond is between the hydroxyl group O31–H58 and the ketone oxygen O25. The result is a chain along the *c*-axis with graph set C1,1(7) (Etter, 1990; Bernstein *et al.*, 1995; Shields *et al.*, 2000). Using the correlation between the H…Acceptor distance for O–H…O hydrogen bonds developed by Rammohan, A. and Kaduk, J. A. (2016, Unpublished data), this hydrogen bond contributes 12.6 kcal mole<sup>-1</sup> to the crystal energy. In the single-crystal structure YAGRIJ, the major occupancy hydrogen bonds to 12.6 kcal mole<sup>-1</sup>, while the minor occupancy orientation is reasonable for two hydrogen bonds with energies of 6.9 and 4.9 kcal mole<sup>-1</sup>. The multiple potential hydrogen bonds and their relative energies may explain

TABLE III. Lattice parameters of paliperidone; space group  $P2_1/n$ .

Temperature (K)	200	295	295/200
Source	YAGRIJ (Betz et al., 2011)	This work	
a (Å)	14.051	14.151 58 (6)	1.0071
<i>b</i> (Å)	21.5613 (5)	21.537 80 (9)	0.9989
<i>c</i> (Å)	6.8537 (1)	6.913 26 (2)	1.0087
$\beta$ (°)	92.637	92.3176 (2)	
$V(\text{\AA}^3)$	2074.15 (7)	2105.396 (13)	1.0150



Figure 6. (Color online) Comparison of the observed 295 K powder pattern of paliperidone (red) with the pattern calculated from the 200 K structure in YAGRIJ (cyan). The black curve is the difference, and indicates the significant peak shifts between the two temperatures.

TABLE IV.	Hydrogen	bonds in	paliperidone
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D–H···A	D-H (Å)	H…A (Å)	D…A (Å)	D-H···A (°)	Overlap (e)
O31–H58…O25	0.989	1.699	2.681	171.6	0.056
C25-H50-F7	1.089	2.454	3.475	155.6	0.008
С30-Н57…О25	1.088	2.329	2.688	97.0	0.008

the disorder in the single-crystal structure. A very weak intermolecular C25–H50…F7 hydrogen bond may contribute to the crystal packing, and an intramolecular C30–H57…O25 hydrogen bond may influence the conformation of the molecule.

The volume of the Hirshfeld surface (Figure 7; Hirshfeld, 1977; McKinnon *et al.*, 2004; Spackman and Jayatilaka, 2009; Wolff *et al.*, 2012) is 518.54 Å<sup>3</sup>, 98.52% of one-fourth the unit-cell volume (526.349 Å<sup>3</sup>). The molecules are thus not tightly packed. The only significant close contacts (red in Figure 7) involve the O–H···O hydrogen bonds. An analysis of the contributions to the total crystal energy using the Forcite module of Materials Studio (Accelrys, 2013) suggests that angle distortion terms are a major intramolecular contribution to the crystal energy, and that van der Waals interactions dominate the intermolecular forces.

The Bravais–Friedel–Donnay–Harker (Bravais, 1866; Friedel, 1907; Donnay and Harker, 1937) morphology suggests that we might expect an elongated morphology for paliperidone, with {001} as the long axis. A second-order



Figure 7. (Color online) The Hirshfeld surface of paliperidone. Intermolecular contacts longer than the sums of van der Waals radii are colored blue, and contacts shorter than the sums of the radii are colored red. Contacts equal to the sums of the radii are white.

spherical harmonic preferred orientation model was included in the refinement; the texture index was 1.043, indicating a small but significant preferred orientation in this rotated capillary specimen. The powder pattern of paliperidone is included in the PDF as entry 00-064-1497.

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