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## Structure of 2-Ethyl-2-nitroindan-1,3-dione

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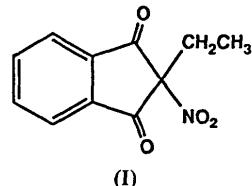
### Abstract

The indan-1,3-dione system is slightly non-planar, with the tetrahedral C atom lying 0.149 (2) Å out of the best plane of the other eight C and two O atoms.

The terminal C atom of the ethyl group is directed *anti* to the nitro group and *gauche* to the carbonyl C atoms, forming C—C—C—C torsion angles of 53.3 (2) and –64.3 (2)°. The nitro group is nearly coplanar with the ethyl substituent, forming an O—N—C—C torsion angle of 175.9 (2)°. The C=O distances are 1.194 (2) and 1.204 (2) Å.

### Comment

The crystal structures of a number of substituted indan-1,3-diones have been studied over the last 20 years on account of the well known anticoagulant activity of the parent compound in vitamin K dependent biosynthesis (Ernster, Lind & Rase, 1972; Bravic, Gaultier & Hauw, 1974; Csöregi & Eckstein, 1979). The crystal structure determination of the title compound (**I**), which was unexpectedly prepared by reacting 2-ethyl-1-inden-3-one-1-yl acetate with a



(**I**)

nitric acid-sulfuric acid 1:1 mixture (Garcia & Enas, 1992), affording colorless crystals when crystallized from slow cooling and evaporation of ethanol, is part of a program of structure analysis of some new derivatives of indan-1,3-dione. Structural data for 2-nitroindan-1,3-dione dihydrate (Selenius & Lundgren, 1980) and 2-(2-nitrobenzylidene)indan-1,3-dione (Varghese, Srinivasan, Ramadas & Padmanabhan, 1986) are in agreement with those of the title compound.

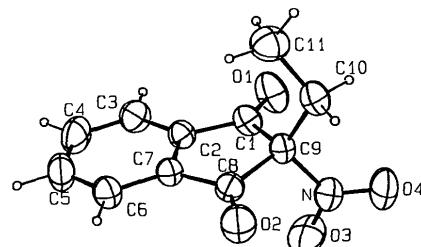


Fig. 1. *ORTEP* drawing (Johnson, 1965) of the molecule, representing heavy atoms as 40% probability ellipsoids and H atoms as circles of arbitrary radii.

### Experimental

#### Crystal data

$C_{11}H_9NO_4$

$M_r = 219.2$

Monoclinic

$D_x = 1.386 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$

$\text{Cu } K\alpha$  radiation

$\lambda = 1.54184 \text{ \AA}$

*P2<sub>1</sub>/c*  
*a* = 12.9862 (5) Å  
*b* = 6.4062 (5) Å  
*c* = 14.0857 (12) Å  
 $\beta$  = 116.275 (6) $^\circ$   
*V* = 1050.7 (3) Å<sup>3</sup>  
*Z* = 4

Cell parameters from 25 reflections  
 $\theta$  = 25–30°  
 $\mu$  = 0.86 mm<sup>-1</sup>  
*T* = 298 K  
 Lath fragment  
 0.47 × 0.32 × 0.22 mm  
 Colorless

**Data collection**

Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer  
 $\omega$ -2θ scans  
 Absorption correction:  
     empirical  
 $T_{\min}$  = 0.94,  $T_{\max}$  = 1.00  
 2445 measured reflections  
 2152 independent reflections  
 1685 observed reflections  
 [ $I > 3\sigma(I)$ ]

$R_{\text{int}}$  = 0.014  
 $\theta_{\max}$  = 75°  
 $h$  = 0 → 16  
 $k$  = 0 → 8  
 $l$  = -17 → 15  
 3 standard reflections  
     frequency: 167 min  
     intensity variation: 2.1%

**Refinement**

Refinement on *F*  
 Final *R* = 0.041  
 $wR$  = 0.054  
*S* = 2.565  
 1685 reflections  
 182 parameters  
 All H-atom parameters refined  
 $w = 4F^2[\sigma^2(I) + (0.02F^2)^2]^{-1}$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.03$

$\Delta\rho_{\max}$  = 0.19 e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\min}$  = -0.18 e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 Extinction correction:  
 $(1 + gl)^{-1}$   
 Extinction coefficient:  
 $8.6(4) \times 10^6$   
 Atomic scattering factors  
     from International Tables  
     for X-ray Crystallography  
 (1974, Vol. IV)

Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic thermal parameters (Å<sup>2</sup>)

$$B_{\text{eq}} = \frac{8\pi^2}{3} \sum_i \sum_j B_{ij} a_i^* a_j^* \mathbf{a}_i \cdot \mathbf{a}_j.$$

|     | <i>x</i>   | <i>y</i>   | <i>z</i>    | <i>B</i> <sub>eq</sub> |
|-----|------------|------------|-------------|------------------------|
| O1  | 0.6261 (1) | 0.6607 (2) | 0.4472 (1)  | 6.12 (3)               |
| O2  | 0.8413 (1) | 0.0411 (2) | 0.56066 (9) | 0.565 (3)              |
| O3  | 0.8233 (1) | 0.4696 (3) | 0.6762 (1)  | 7.41 (4)               |
| O4  | 0.6731 (1) | 0.3341 (4) | 0.6724 (1)  | 9.66 (6)               |
| N   | 0.7328 (1) | 0.3784 (3) | 0.6310 (1)  | 5.05 (4)               |
| C1  | 0.6908 (1) | 0.5212 (3) | 0.4563 (1)  | 3.87 (3)               |
| C2  | 0.7741 (1) | 0.5042 (3) | 0.4118 (1)  | 3.63 (3)               |
| C3  | 0.7933 (2) | 0.6440 (3) | 0.3462 (1)  | 4.88 (4)               |
| C4  | 0.8762 (2) | 0.5912 (4) | 0.3142 (1)  | 5.78 (5)               |
| C5  | 0.9374 (1) | 0.4071 (4) | 0.3460 (1)  | 5.52 (5)               |
| C6  | 0.9192 (1) | 0.2695 (3) | 0.4113 (1)  | 4.46 (4)               |
| C7  | 0.8360 (1) | 0.3201 (3) | 0.4442 (1)  | 3.56 (3)               |
| C8  | 0.8009 (1) | 0.2010 (3) | 0.5142 (1)  | 3.76 (3)               |
| C9  | 0.6981 (1) | 0.3162 (3) | 0.5176 (1)  | 3.62 (3)               |
| C10 | 0.5881 (1) | 0.1902 (3) | 0.4721 (1)  | 4.55 (4)               |
| C11 | 0.5439 (2) | 0.1452 (3) | 0.3559 (2)  | 5.79 (5)               |

Table 2. Geometric parameters (Å, °)

|       |           |         |           |
|-------|-----------|---------|-----------|
| O1—C1 | 1.194 (2) | C3—C4   | 1.380 (3) |
| O2—C8 | 1.204 (2) | C4—C5   | 1.381 (3) |
| O3—N  | 1.211 (2) | C5—C6   | 1.369 (3) |
| O4—N  | 1.194 (3) | C6—C7   | 1.390 (3) |
| N—C9  | 1.509 (2) | C7—C8   | 1.469 (3) |
| C1—C2 | 1.475 (3) | C8—C9   | 1.545 (2) |
| C1—C9 | 1.551 (2) | C9—C10  | 1.514 (2) |
| C2—C3 | 1.387 (3) | C10—C11 | 1.504 (3) |
| C2—C7 | 1.386 (2) |         |           |

O3—N—O4                  123.2 (2)                  C2—C1—C9                  107.3 (1)  
 C7—C8—C9                  107.5 (1)                  N—C9—C10                  111.8 (2)  
 C1—C9—C8                  103.2 (1)                  C9—C10—C11                  113.3 (2)

The crystal was sealed in a capillary to prevent sublimation. The MolEN (Fair, 1990) package was used for computations.

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**Structure of 1-Phenylsemicarbazide**

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**Abstract**

The semicarbazide moiety of the title compound is fairly planar (torsion angle -0.8°). The phenyl ring is nearly perpendicular to the plane of the semicarbazide group and intermolecular hydrogen bonds are formed between the N and O atoms of the semicarbazide groups.

**Comment**

1-Phenylsemicarbazide, also known as cryogenin, has anti-inflammatory activity (Kaplan, Wolke &