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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study

T = 293 K

Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.006 \text{ \AA}$ 

R factor = 0.071

wR factor = 0.217

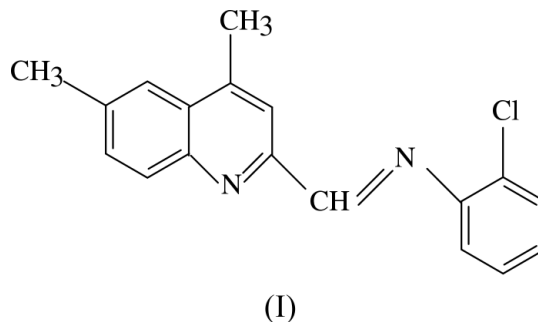
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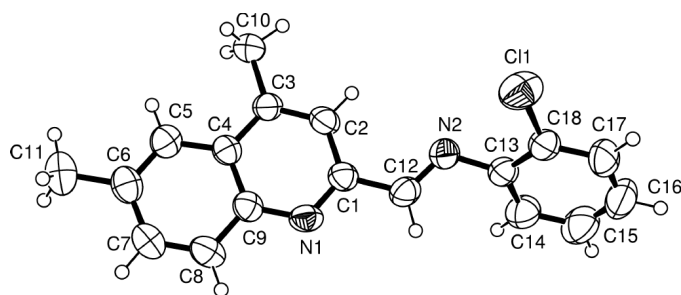
## 2-[(2-Chlorophenyl)iminomethyl]-4,6-dimethylquinoline

The molecule of the title compound,  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{15}\text{ClN}_2$ , is not planar. The dihedral angle between the quinoline and phenyl rings is  $116.2 (1)^\circ$ . Bond lengths and angles are normal.Received 5 July 2001  
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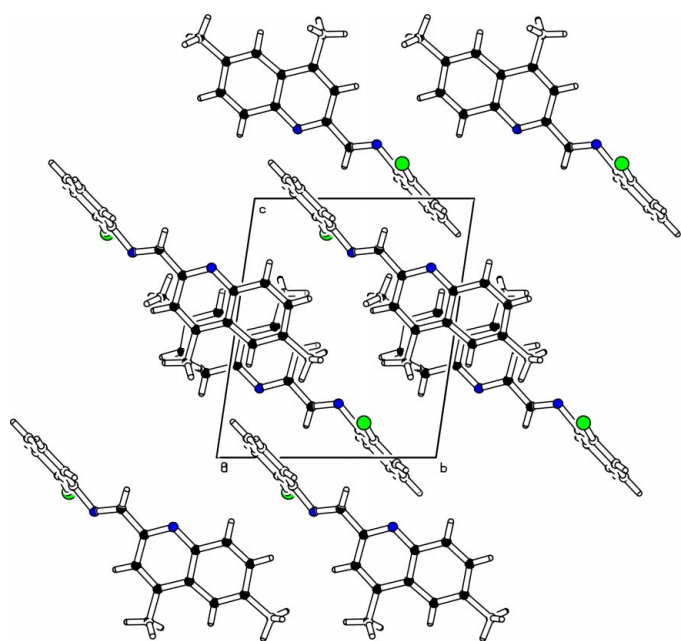
## Comment

Schiff bases, occupying an important place in medicine and industry, are generally useful compounds as starting materials in the preparation of textiles, dyestuffs, pesticides and pharmaceuticals, and of compounds that serve as stabilizers and inhibitors in photography (Sommes, 1976). Great attention has recently begun to concentrate on the compounds obtained from heterocyclic carbaldehydes for the therapy of cancer, the disease of our age (Kouznetsov *et al.*, 1998; Öcal & Kaban, 1998). Hence, in our research, new Schiff bases containing different functional groups have been synthesized for the purpose of making some contributions to that class of substances which are now being tested as anticancer reagents.

The structure of the title compound, 4,6-dimethylquinoline-2-[*N*-(*o*-chlorophenyl)formimidoyl], (I), is isomorphous with 4,6-dimethylquinoline-2-[*N*-(*o*-tolyl)formimidoyl], (II) (Akkurt *et al.*, 2001). The quinoline and phenyl rings are planar. In the quinoline ring, the C3–C4–C5 angle is larger than  $120^\circ$  [ $124.0 (3)^\circ$ ] and the N1–C9–C8 angle is smaller than  $120^\circ$  [ $118.4 (3)^\circ$ ]. Corresponding values are almost comparable with those in 3-(*p*-chlorophenyl)-5-methyl-2-(8-quinolinyl)-4-thiazolidinone (Öztürk *et al.*, 2000) [for molecule *A* of two independent molecules in the asymmetric unit,  $122.8 (6)$  and  $120.3 (5)^\circ$ , respectively, and for molecule *B*,  $124.4 (7)$  and  $117.4 (4)^\circ$ , respectively] and in (II) [ $123.4 (2)$  and  $118.2 (2)^\circ$ , respectively]. The dihedral angles between the least-squares planes of the quinoline and phenyl rings are  $116.2 (1)$  and  $118.5 (1)^\circ$  in (II) and  $61.8 (1)^\circ$  in *N*-8-azanaphtylmethylene-4-chloroaniline (Öztürk *et al.*, 2001). This large deviation is possibly due to the steric factors which occur for the different positions of the Cl atom in the phenyl ring. There are non-bonded contacts greater than  $3.3 \text{ \AA}$  between non-H atoms.



**Figure 1**  
An ORTEPII (Johnson, 1976) drawing of the title compound showing the labelling of the non-H atoms. Displacement ellipsoids are shown at the 50% probability level.



**Figure 2**  
A view of the unit cell along the *a* axis.

## Experimental

The title compound was synthesized by the condensation of 4,6-dimethylquinoline-2-carbaldehyde with *o*-chloroaniline in dry benzene over a period of 11 h. Light-yellow crystals were obtained after crystallization from petroleum ether (313–333 K). Yield: 81%; m.p.: 405 K; IR (KBr):  $\nu = 3030, 2900, 1580 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta$ , 200 MHz): 2.58 (3H, s, 6-CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.74 (3H, s, 4-CH<sub>3</sub>), 7.12–8.65 (9H, m, ArH and CH) p.p.m.; UV ( $\text{CHCl}_3$ ):  $\lambda_{\text{max}} = 262.3, 314.4 \text{ nm}$ . Elemental analysis,  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_2$  requires: C 73.34, H 5.13, N 9.50%; found: C 73.18, H 5.07, N 9.43% (Aydoğan, 1993).

### Crystal data

$\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_2$   
 $M_r = 294.77$   
Triclinic,  $P\bar{1}$   
 $a = 7.4962$  (7) Å  
 $b = 9.5511$  (9) Å  
 $c = 11.4013$  (11) Å  
 $\alpha = 79.039$  (2)°  
 $\beta = 76.866$  (2)°  
 $\gamma = 76.886$  (2)°  
 $V = 765.90$  (13) Å<sup>3</sup>

$Z = 2$   
 $D_x = 1.278 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$   
Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
Cell parameters from 1530 reflections  
 $\theta = 2.8\text{--}27.5^\circ$   
 $\mu = 0.24 \text{ mm}^{-1}$   
 $T = 293$  (2) K  
Needle, light yellow  
 $0.34 \times 0.22 \times 0.10 \text{ mm}$

### Data collection

Siemens SMART 1000 CCD area-detector diffractometer  
 $\omega$  scans  
Absorption correction: empirical (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)  
 $T_{\text{min}} = 0.922, T_{\text{max}} = 0.976$   
4930 measured reflections  
3363 independent reflections

1573 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.040$   
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.5^\circ$   
 $h = -8 \rightarrow 9$   
 $k = -12 \rightarrow 12$   
 $l = -12 \rightarrow 14$   
Intensity decay: <2%

### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.071$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.217$   
 $S = 0.98$   
3363 reflections  
193 parameters  
H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0995P)^2]$   
where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.006$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.24 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.29 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
Extinction correction: SHELXL97  
Extinction coefficient: 0.012 (6)

**Table 1**

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

C11–C18	1.738 (4)	C2–C3	1.355 (5)
N1–C1	1.321 (4)	C3–C10	1.505 (5)
N1–C9	1.361 (4)	C6–C11	1.512 (5)
N2–C12	1.260 (4)	C7–C8	1.357 (5)
N2–C13	1.413 (4)	C13–C14	1.382 (5)
C1–C2	1.416 (5)	C13–C18	1.389 (5)
C1–C12	1.466 (5)		
C1–N1–C9	117.8 (3)	C7–C6–C11	120.3 (4)
C12–N2–C13	119.0 (3)	N1–C9–C8	118.4 (3)
N1–C1–C2	122.5 (3)	N1–C9–C4	122.7 (3)
N1–C1–C12	115.9 (3)	N2–C12–C1	122.5 (3)
C2–C1–C12	121.6 (3)	C14–C13–C18	117.6 (4)
C2–C3–C10	120.7 (3)	C14–C13–N2	122.9 (3)
C4–C3–C10	121.7 (3)	C18–C13–N2	119.5 (3)
C5–C4–C3	124.0 (3)	C17–C18–C11	119.1 (3)
C5–C6–C11	121.2 (4)	C13–C18–C11	119.0 (3)
C1–C2–C3–C10	−179.1 (3)	C2–C1–C12–N2	9.5 (5)
C4–C5–C6–C11	178.6 (3)	C12–N2–C13–C14	54.7 (5)
C13–N2–C12–C1	−178.9 (3)	C12–N2–C13–C18	−129.3 (4)
N1–C1–C12–N2	−169.1 (3)	N2–C13–C18–C11	4.1 (4)

The methyl groups were allowed to rotate about their local threefold axes.

Data collection: SMART (Siemens, 1996); cell refinement: SAINT (Siemens, 1996); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: ORTEPII (Johnson, 1976).

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