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#### Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study  
 T = 100 K  
 Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003 \text{ \AA}$   
 R factor = 0.061  
 wR factor = 0.150  
 Data-to-parameter ratio = 16.4

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## 5-Amino-4-(benzotriazol-1-ylmethyl)-1-phenyl-3-*tert*-butylpyrazole

The molecules of the title compound,  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_6$ , are linked together forming a  $C(8)$  chain extending along the  $c$  axis by an  $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$  hydrogen bond.

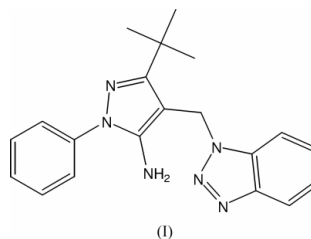
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#### Comment

The title compound, (I), was obtained by acid-catalysed rearrangement from 5-*N*-(benzotriazol-1-ylmethyl)amino-1-phenyl-3-*tert*-butylpyrazole.



The main supramolecular structural feature is a hydrogen bond,  $\text{N51}-\text{H51}\cdots\text{N43}$ , 3.190 Å, which links the molecules by unit translations along the  $c$  axis forming  $C(8)$  chains (Bernstein *et al.*, 1995). H52 does not form a hydrogen bond. Details of the hydrogen bonding are given in Table 1. There are no weak  $\text{C}-\text{H}$  hydrogen bonds nor is there any  $\pi-\pi$  base-stacking. Examination of the structure with *PLATON* (Spek, 2001) showed that there were no solvent-accessible voids in the crystal lattice.

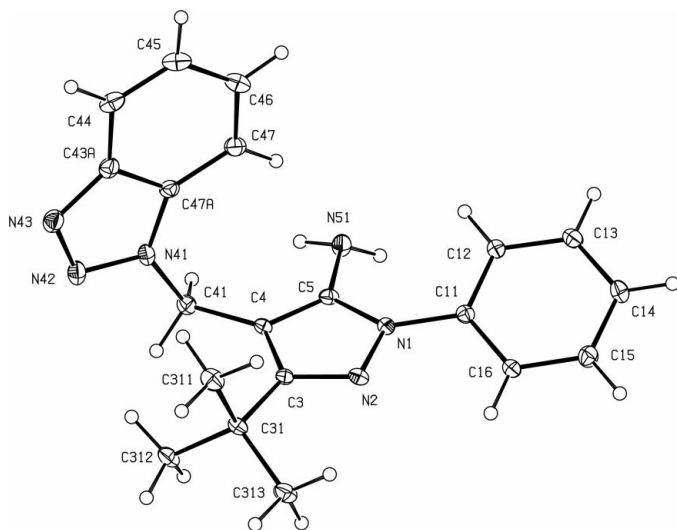
#### Experimental

To a solution of 0.3 g (0.867 mmol) of 5-*N*-(benzotriazol-1-ylmethyl)amino-1-phenyl-3-*tert*-butylpyrazole in 15 ml of absolute methanol were added 20–30 mg of *p*-toluenesulfonic acid, and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h (TLC control). The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, the residue was re-dissolved in ethyl acetate, washed with a 10% NaOH solution and dried with anhydrous sodium sulfate. The solution was concentrated and purified by column chromatography on silica gel with a mixture 80:20 (hexane–ethyl acetate) as eluent, yielding 0.27 g (90%) of the title compound as white crystals (m.p. 397 K) suitable for X-ray diffraction.

#### Crystal data

$\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_6$   
 $M_r = 346.44$   
 Monoclinic,  $P2_1/c$   
 $a = 13.465 (3) \text{ \AA}$   
 $b = 15.135 (3) \text{ \AA}$   
 $c = 9.1558 (18) \text{ \AA}$   
 $\beta = 108.86 (3)^\circ$   
 $V = 1765.8 (6) \text{ \AA}^3$   
 $Z = 4$

$D_x = 1.303 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$   
 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 Cell parameters from 4002 reflections  
 $\theta = 3.1-27.5^\circ$   
 $\mu = 0.08 \text{ mm}^{-1}$   
 $T = 100 (1) \text{ K}$   
 Block, colourless  
 $0.15 \times 0.15 \times 0.10 \text{ mm}$



**Figure 1**  
A view of (I) with the atomic numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.

#### Data collection

KappaCCD diffractometer  
 $\varphi$  scans, and  $\omega$  scans with  $\kappa$  offsets  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan  
 (DENZO-SMN; Otwinowski &  
 Minor, 1997)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.988$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.992$   
 10 902 measured reflections

4002 independent reflections  
 2136 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.077$   
 $\theta_{\max} = 27.5^\circ$   
 $h = -17 \rightarrow 17$   
 $k = -19 \rightarrow 19$   
 $l = -11 \rightarrow 11$

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.061$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.150$   
 $S = 0.95$   
 4002 reflections  
 244 parameters

H-atom parameters constrained  
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0599P)^2]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.27 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.39 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

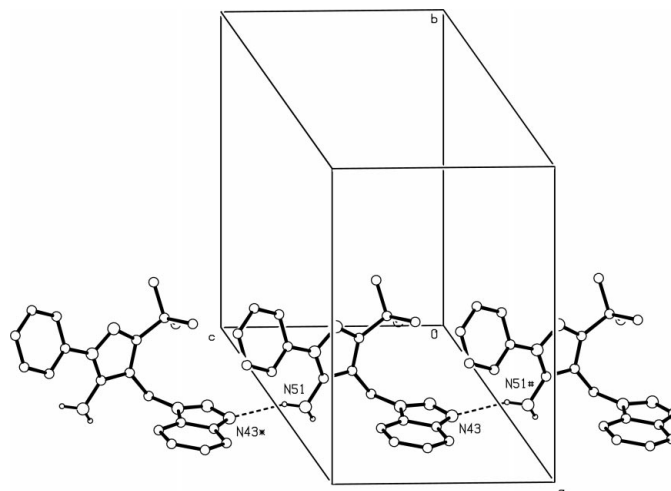
**Table 1**

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

| $D-H \cdots A$         | $D-H$ | $H \cdots A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D-H \cdots A$ |
|------------------------|-------|--------------|--------------|----------------|
| $N51-H51 \cdots N43^i$ | 0.87  | 2.37         | 3.190 (3)    | 158            |

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

H atoms attached to C atoms were included at calculated positions and treated as riding atoms with C–H 0.95–0.99  $\text{\AA}$ . The H atoms attached to the N atoms were included at positions based on those found in a difference map; they were initially restrained to a value of 0.87  $\text{\AA}$  and then made to ride on the parent N atom.



**Figure 2**  
A view of the crystal structure showing the C(8) chain running along the  $c$  axis. The molecule labelled with an asterisk (\*) is at  $(x, y, 1+z)$  and that labelled with a hash (#) is at  $(x, y, -1+z)$ .

Data collection: *KappaCCD Server Software* (Nonius, 1997); cell refinement: *DENZO-SMN* (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997); data reduction: *DENZO-SMN*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEPII* (Johnson, 1976) and *PLATON* (Spek, 2001); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97* and *WordPerfect* macro *PRPKAPPA* (Ferguson, 1999).

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