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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 120 KMean σ (C–C) = 0.009 Å R factor = 0.082 wR factor = 0.254 Data-to-parameter ratio = 13.7

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Triisopropyl[5-(4-nitrophenyl)tetrahydrofuran-3-ylidenemethyl]silane

In the title compound, $C_{20}H_{31}NO_3Si$, the nitrophenyl groups of adjacent molecules overlap to form π - π -stacked pairs.

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Comment

The title compound, (I), was prepared as part of an ongoing study into the Lewis-acid-mediated additions of silylated methylenecyclopropanes to aldehydes. The nitrophenyl groups of adjacent molecules overlap to form π - π -stacked pairs.



Experimental

The synthesis of the title compound was carried out by the $BF_3 \cdot Et_2O$ mediated addition of triisopropyl(2-methylidenecyclopropyl)silane to 4-nitrobenzaldehyde in dichloromethane in 44% yield.

Crystal data	
$C_{20}H_{31}NO_{3}Si$ $M_{r} = 361.55$ Monoclinic, C2/c a = 14.6339 (3) Å b = 7.7463 (1) Å c = 35.8752 (7) Å $\beta = 91.066$ (3)° V = 4066.06 (13) Å ³ Z = 8	$D_x = 1.181 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo K α radiation Cell parameters from 3107 reflections $\theta = 3.0-25.0^{\circ}$ $\mu = 0.13 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 120 (2) K Needle, colourless $0.15 \times 0.07 \times 0.06 \text{ mm}$
Data collection	
Nonius KappaCCD area-detector diffractometer Φ and ω scans to fill asymmetric unit Absorption correction: multi-scan (SORTAV; Blessing, 1997) $T_{\min} = 0.980, T_{\max} = 0.992$ 6912 measured reflections	3107 independent reflections 1445 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $R_{int} = 0.103$ $\theta_{max} = 25.0^{\circ}$ $h = -17 \rightarrow 17$ $k = -8 \rightarrow 8$ $l = -42 \rightarrow 42$
Refinement	
Refinement on F^2 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.082$ $wR(F^2) = 0.254$ S = 0.97 3107 reflections 226 parameters	H-atom parameters constrained $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.13P)^2]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.002$ $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.73 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$ $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.58 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$

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The fraction of unique reflections measured out to $\theta_{\rm max}~(25^\circ)$ is relatively low (0.86), which may be partly due to the weakly



Figure 1

The molecular structure of (I) (30% probability displacement ellipsoids).

diffracting nature of the crystal. The probability displacement ellipsoids of C14 and C19 were found to be prolate. Splitting the sites was tried without success, leading to the conclusion that the atoms are affected by dynamic disorder.

Data collection: *DENZO* (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997) and *COLLECT* (Hooft, 1998); cell refinement: *DENZO* and *COLLECT*;

data reduction: *DENZO*, *COLLECT* (Hooft, 1998) and *maXus* (Mackay *et al.*, 1998); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *CAMERON* (Watkin *et al.*, 1993); software used to prepare material for publication: *WinGX* (Farrugia, 1998).

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