

Propanone 2-chloro-4,6-dinitrophenylhydrazone**Yasushi Kawai,* Motoko Hayashi
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The molecule of the title compound, $C_9H_9ClN_4O_4$, is nearly planar except for the *ortho*-nitro group, with the non-H atoms exhibiting an average deviation of 0.099 Å from the mean plane. The *ortho*-nitro group is nearly perpendicular to the phenyl group, with a dihedral angle of 88.46 (3)°. The N—N and N≡C bond lengths of the isopropylidene-hydrazine moiety are 1.3928 (14) and 1.2865 (15) Å, respectively.

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Single-crystal X-ray study

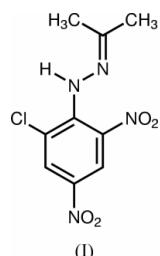
 $T = 93\text{ K}$ Mean $\sigma(C-C) = 0.002\text{ \AA}$ R factor = 0.030 wR factor = 0.103

Data-to-parameter ratio = 12.8

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Comment

The structures of a wide range of 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazones have been studied extensively, particularly with respect to hydrogen bonding (Fronczek, 1994; Kaberia *et al.*, 1980; Vickery *et al.*, 1981). In most of these compounds, the *ortho*-nitro group forms a strong intramolecular hydrogen bond to the imino-group and nearly all the atoms are coplanar (Fronczek, 1994; Vickery *et al.*, 1981).



However, the introduction of a chlorine atom in the other *ortho*-position drastically changes the molecular structure. When an *ortho*-chlorine atom is present, there are no intra- and inter-molecular hydrogen bonds. The *ortho*-nitro group of the title compound, (I), is nearly perpendicular to the phenyl group, with an O1—N3—C5—C6 torsion angle of 88.7 (2)°.

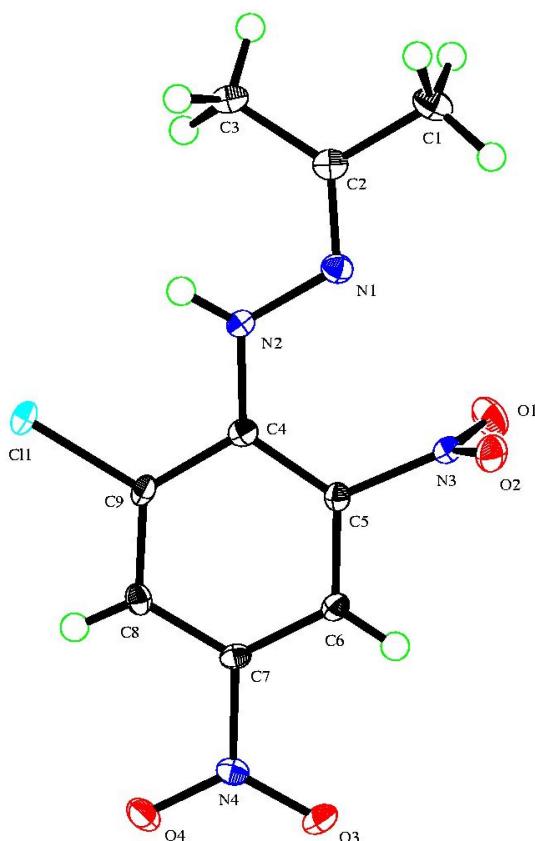
Experimental

The title compound was synthesized according to the method of Kawai *et al.* (2002). Spectroscopic analysis for (I), ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz, δ , p.p.m.): 2.02(*s*, 3H), 2.06(*s*, 3H), 8.36(*d*, 1H, $J = 2.54\text{ Hz}$), 8.46(*s*, 1H), 8.50(*d*, 1H, $J = 2.54\text{ Hz}$). Crystals of (I), suitable for X-ray diffraction, were obtained by slow evaporation of a dichloromethane solution at room temperature.

Crystal data

$C_9H_9ClN_4O_4$
 $M_r = 272.65$
Monoclinic, $P2_1/a$
 $a = 8.6057 (11)\text{ \AA}$
 $b = 16.110 (1)\text{ \AA}$
 $c = 8.9967 (11)\text{ \AA}$
 $\beta = 115.557 (5)$ °
 $V = 1125.3 (2)\text{ \AA}^3$
 $Z = 4$

$D_x = 1.609\text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Cell parameters from 3753 reflections
 $\theta = 1.5\text{--}13.7$ °
 $\mu = 0.35\text{ mm}^{-1}$
 $T = 93.1\text{ K}$
Prism, yellow
 $0.47 \times 0.38 \times 0.22\text{ mm}$

**Figure 1**

The molecular structure of (I), showing the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.

Data collection

Rigaku Mercury CCD diffractometer
 ω scans
 Absorption correction: none
 8602 measured reflections
 2545 independent reflections

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.030$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.103$
 $S = 1.03$
 2545 reflections
 199 parameters

2376 reflections with $F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.020$
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.5^\circ$
 $h = -11 \rightarrow 9$
 $k = -20 \rightarrow 20$
 $l = -11 \rightarrow 11$

All H-atom parameters refined
 $w = (4F_o^2)/[0.0012F_o^2 + \sigma^2(F_o)]$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.004$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.38 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.32 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

Table 1
 Selected geometric parameters (\AA , $^\circ$).

C1–C9	1.7303 (12)	N2–C4	1.3552 (15)
O1–N3	1.2177 (14)	C1–C2	1.4961 (16)
O2–N3	1.2291 (14)	C2–C3	1.5039 (16)
O3–N4	1.2310 (13)	C4–C5	1.4088 (15)
O4–N4	1.2316 (13)	C4–C9	1.4249 (15)
N1–N2	1.3928 (14)	C8–C9	1.3697 (16)
N1–C2	1.2865 (15)		
N2–N1–C2	115.6 (1)	N2–C4–C9	119.5 (1)
N1–N2–C4	119.5 (1)	N3–C5–C4	122.1 (1)
O1–N3–O2	125.0 (1)	N3–C5–C6	114.5 (1)
O3–N4–O4	124.0 (1)	N4–C7–C6	118.6 (1)
N1–C2–C1	116.15 (11)	N4–C7–C8	119.5 (1)
N1–C2–C3	125.95 (11)	C11–C9–C4	117.49 (9)
C1–C2–C3	117.9 (1)	C11–C9–C8	119.09 (9)
N2–C4–C5	125.7 (1)		
C2–N1–N2–C4	172.4 (2)	O1–N3–C5–C6	88.7 (2)
N1–N2–C4–C5	-7.9 (2)	O4–N4–C7–C6	179.8 (1)

H atoms were found in difference Fourier maps and refined isotropically, with C–H distances in the range 0.87 (1)–0.88 (2) \AA for aromatic-H and 0.96 (2)–1.01 (2) \AA for alkyl-H, and an N–H distance of 0.85 (2) \AA .

Data collection: *CrystalClear* (Molecular Structure Corporation/Rigaku Corporation, 2001); cell refinement: *CrystalClear*; data reduction: *CrystalStructure* (Molecular Structure Corporation/Rigaku Corporation, 2001); program(s) used to solve structure: *SIR97* (Altomare *et al.*, 1999); program(s) used to refine structure: *CRYSTALS* (Watkin *et al.*, 1999); molecular graphics: *ORTEPII* (Johnson, 1976); software used to prepare material for publication: *CrystalStructure*.

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