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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
$T=293 \mathrm{~K}$
Mean $\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.003 \AA$
$R$ factor $=0.061$
$w R$ factor $=0.169$
Data-to-parameter ratio $=12.5$
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## 3-Methyl-1,5-dinitro-9-phenacyl-3-aza-bicyclo[3.3.1]non-7-en-6-one

There are two molecules, $A$ and $B$, in the asymmetric unit of the title compound, $\mathrm{C}_{34} \mathrm{H}_{34} \mathrm{~N}_{6} \mathrm{O}_{12}$. In both molecules, the eight-membered ring has a conformation which is close to a boat-boat conformation and the cyclohexene ring is characterized by a sofa conformation. The nitro groups in each molecule are situated in equatorial positions. Both nitro groups of molecule $A$ are considerably rotated with respect to the flattened fragment of the cyclohexene ring. The same is true for one of the nitro groups of molecule $B$, whereas the other such group in molecule $B$ is almost coplanar with the corresponding fragment.

## Comment

The conformational properties of substituted bicyclo[3.3.1]nonanes and hetero-analogs have been extensively studied by different experimental and computational methods, because of the relationship of these compounds to numerous natural compounds possessing biological activity (Jeyaraman \& Avila, 1981; Zefirov \& Palyulin, 1991). The influence of the stereochemical and conformational characteristics on the activity is well known. In order to gather more information about this conformationally restricted bicyclic system, the crystal structure of the title compound, (I), was studied by X-ray methods.

(I)

There are two molecules, $A$ and $B$, in the asymmetric unit of (I). The piperidine ring adopts a chair conformation. Atoms N3 and C9 deviate from the plane of the remaining atoms of this ring by 0.689 (3) and -0.794 (3) $\AA$, and by -0.688 (3) and 0.781 (3) $\AA$ in molecules $A$ and $B$, respectively. The cyclohexene ring ( $\mathrm{C} 1 / \mathrm{C} 8 / \mathrm{C} 7 / \mathrm{C} 6 / \mathrm{C} 5 / \mathrm{C} 9$ ) has a sofa conformation, with atom C9 deviating by -0.783 (3) and -0.776 (3) $\AA$ from the mean plane of the remaining atoms in molecules $A$ and $B$, respectively. The conformation of the eight-membered ring is close to a boat-boat conformation and can be characterized by Zefirov-Palyulin puckering parameters (Zefirov et al., 1990) as follows (values are quoted for molecules $A$ and $B$, respectively): $S_{2}=1.208$ and $1.207 \AA, S_{3}=0.580$ and $0.580 \AA, S_{4}=$ 0.514 and $-0.509 \AA, \varphi_{2}=176.72$ and $357.55^{\circ}$, and $\varphi_{3}=181.65$ and $2.07^{\circ}$. The nitro groups in both molecules are in equatorial positions (Table 1). Moreover, the nitro groups of molecule $A$ and the group at atom $\mathrm{C} 5 B$ of molecule $B$ are considerably

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Figure 1
A view of molecule $A$ of (I). The non-H atoms are shown with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the $50 \%$ probability level. H atoms have been omitted for clarity.


A view of molecule $B$ of (I). The non-H atoms are shown with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the $50 \%$ probability level. H atoms have been omitted for clarity.
rotated with respect to the flattened fragment of the cyclohexene ring (Table 1). In contrast, the other nitro group in molecule $B$ is almost coplanar with the corresponding fragment. Overall, the most important distinction between molecules $A$ and $B$ is the different orientations of the nitro groups. Atom N3 is displaced from the plane of its three neighboring C atoms by 0.439 (3) and -0.432 (2) $\AA$ in molecules $A$ and $B$, respectively, reflecting the trigonal-pyramidal configuration of this fragment. The phenacyl group is in an axial position in the cyclohexene ring, whereas it has an equatorial orientation with respect to the piperidine ring (the relevant torsion angles are listed in Table 1).

## Experimental

Compound (I) was obtained according to the procedure of Leonova et al. (2001). Crystals of (I) were grown by slow evaporation of a toluene solution.

## Crystal data

| $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{17} \mathrm{~N}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{6}$ | $Z=4$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| $M_{r}=359.34$ | $D_{x}=1.402 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$ |

$M_{r}=359.34$
Triclinic, $P \overline{1}$
$a=11.374$ (6) A
$b=11.669$ (5) $\AA$
$c=13.715(6) \AA$
$\alpha=84.56(4)^{\circ}$
$\beta=75.64(4)^{\circ}$
$\gamma=75.07(4)^{\circ}$
$V=1702.9(14) \AA^{3}$
$Z=4$
$D_{x}=1.402 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$

Mo $K \alpha$ radiation
Cell parameters from 24
reflections
$\theta=10-11^{\circ}$
$\mu=0.11 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$
$T=293$ (2) K
Square prism, yellow
$0.50 \times 0.30 \times 0.30 \mathrm{~mm}$

## Data collection

Siemens P3 diffractometer

## $\omega$ scans

Absorption correction: none 6198 measured reflections
5875 independent reflections
4198 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$
$R_{\text {int }}=0.038$

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.061$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.169$
$S=0.95$
5875 reflections
469 parameters
$\theta_{\text {max }}=25.0^{\circ}$
$h=0 \rightarrow 13$
$k=-13 \rightarrow 13$
$l=-15 \rightarrow 16$
2 standard reflections every 98 reflections intensity decay: $3.4 \%$

## Table 1

Selected geometric parameters $\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$.

| $\mathrm{N} 1 A-\mathrm{C} 1 A-\mathrm{C} 9 A-\mathrm{C} 5 A$ | $173.81(15)$ | $\mathrm{N} 1 B-\mathrm{C} 1 B-\mathrm{C} 9 B-\mathrm{C} 5 B-175.72(17)$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{N} 2 A-\mathrm{C} 5 A-\mathrm{C} 9 A-\mathrm{C} 1 A$ | $176.45(15)$ | $\mathrm{N} 2 B-\mathrm{C} 5 B-\mathrm{C} 9 B-\mathrm{C} 1 B-176.40(17)$ |  |
| $\mathrm{O} 1 A-\mathrm{N} 1 A-\mathrm{C} 1 A-\mathrm{C} 8 A$ | $25.3(2)$ | $\mathrm{O} 1 B-\mathrm{N} 1 B-\mathrm{C} 1 B-\mathrm{C} 8 B$ | -4.1 (3) |
| $\mathrm{O} 4 A-\mathrm{N} 2 A-\mathrm{C} 5 A-\mathrm{C} 6 A$ | $47.0(3)$ | $\mathrm{O} 4 B-\mathrm{N} 2 B-\mathrm{C} 5 B-\mathrm{C} 6 B$ | $-58.9(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 4 A-\mathrm{C} 5 A-\mathrm{C} 9 A-\mathrm{C} 11 A$ | $172.19(16)$ | $\mathrm{C} 4 B-\mathrm{C} 5 B-\mathrm{C} 9 B-\mathrm{C} 11 B-173.97(16)$ |  |
| $\mathrm{C} 6 A-\mathrm{C} 5 A-\mathrm{C} 9 A-\mathrm{C} 11 A$ | $-66.5(2)$ | $\mathrm{C} 6 B-\mathrm{C} 5 B-\mathrm{C} 9 B-\mathrm{C} 11 B$ | $66.0(2)$ |

Zefirov-Palyulin puckering parameters were calculated with RICON (Zotov et al., 1997). All H atoms were located from difference Fourier syntheses. Methyl H atoms were refined as part of rigid groups, which were allowed to rotate but not tip or distort, and with $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=1.5 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{C})$. Other H atoms were refined using a riding model, with $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=1.2 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{C})$.

Data collection: P3 (Siemens, 1989); cell refinement: P3; data reduction: XDISK (Siemens, 1991); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: SHELXL97; software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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