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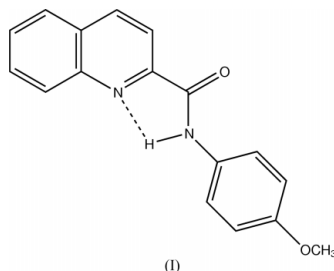
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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 294$  K  
Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.002$  Å  
 $R$  factor = 0.042  
 $wR$  factor = 0.111  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 16.5For details of how these key indicators were automatically derived from the article, see <http://journals.iucr.org/e>.*N*-(4-Methoxyphenyl)quinoline-2-carboxamideThe quinolyl and phenyl rings in the title compound,  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ , are almost coplanar. There is an intramolecular hydrogen bond between the quinoline N atom and the amide N atom [ $\text{N} \cdots \text{N} = 2.6602$  (17) Å and  $\text{N}-\text{H} \cdots \text{N} = 112^\circ$ ].

## Comment

We have previously reported the structure of the bidentate ligand (*R*)-*N*-(1-phenylethyl)quinoline-2-carboxamide (Yang *et al.*, 2001). The quinolyl and phenyl rings in that compound form a dihedral angle of  $89.07$  ( $5$ ) $^\circ$ , while the corresponding rings in the title compound, (I), are coplanar. It is predicted that the N atom of the quinoline ring and the amide N atom or carbonyl O atom will coordinate to a metal ion and form a complex with a five-membered ring structure. There is an intramolecular hydrogen bond between the quinoline N atom and the amide N atom [ $\text{N}2 \cdots \text{N}1 = 2.6602$  (17) Å and  $\text{N}2-\text{H}2\text{A} \cdots \text{N}1 = 112^\circ$ ]. The structure of *N*-(4-iodophenyl)quinoline-2-carboxamide is reported in the following paper (Qi *et al.*, 2003).

## Experimental

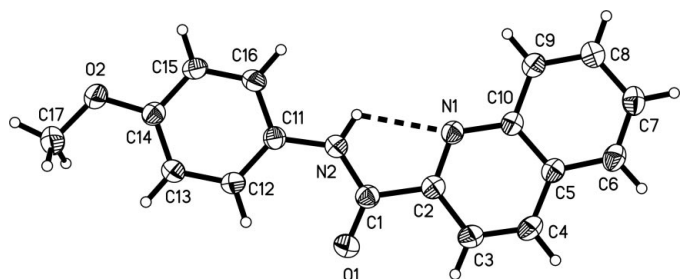
The title compound was synthesized from 2-quinolinecarboxylic acid and 4-methoxyaniline according to the general procedure of Johnson *et al.* (1960). The crystal used for the data collection was obtained by slow evaporation of a saturated DMF– $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  solution of (I) at room temperature.

## Crystal data

 $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$   
 $M_r = 278.30$   
Monoclinic,  $P2_1/n$   
 $a = 6.6372$  (11) Å  
 $b = 18.109$  (3) Å  
 $c = 11.4921$  (19) Å  
 $\beta = 92.867$  (3) $^\circ$   
 $V = 1379.6$  (4) Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 4$  $D_x = 1.340$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>  
Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
Cell parameters from 3598 reflections  
 $\theta = 1-27.5^\circ$   
 $\mu = 0.09$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 294$  (2) K  
Prism, colorless  
 $0.38 \times 0.28 \times 0.26$  mm

## Data collection

Siemens SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer  
 $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans  
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.967$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.977$   
9204 measured reflections3167 independent reflections  
1829 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.034$   
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.5^\circ$   
 $h = -8 \rightarrow 8$   
 $k = -13 \rightarrow 23$   
 $l = -14 \rightarrow 14$



**Figure 1**  
The molecular structure of (I), showing ellipsoids at the 30% probability level (Siemens, 1995).

#### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.05P)^2]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.042$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$wR(F^2) = 0.111$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$
$S = 1.01$	$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.15 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
3167 reflections	$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.17 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
192 parameters	Extinction correction: <i>SHELXL97</i>
H-atom parameters constrained	Extinction coefficient: 0.020 (2)

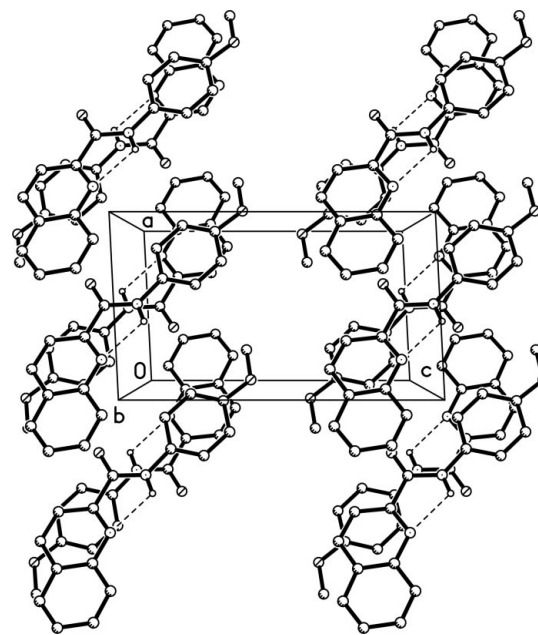
**Table 1**

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

$D-H \cdots A$	$D-H$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D-H \cdots A$
$N2-H2A \cdots N1$	0.86	2.21	2.6602 (17)	112

The C-bound H atoms were placed in geometrically calculated positions and included in the final refinement in the riding-model approximation. The H atom on N2 was initially refined but was constrained in the final refinement.

Data collection: *SMART* (Siemens, 1995); cell refinement: *SMART*; data reduction: *SHELXTL-NT* (Siemens, 1995); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL-NT*; software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL-NT*.



**Figure 2**  
The molecular packing along the  $b$  axis.

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