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#### Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 293 K Mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.003 Å R factor = 0.038 wR factor = 0.096 Data-to-parameter ratio = 10.2

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# 1-Benzoyl-3-methyl-4-benzylidenamino-4,5-dihydro-1,2,4-triazol-5-one

In the title molecule,  $C_{17}H_{14}N_4O_2$ , the benzylidenamino group is almost coplanar with the triazole ring. The dihedral angle between the triazole ring and the benzoyl phenyl ring is 58.74 (8)°. The molecular structure is stabilized by a C–  $H \cdots O$  hydrogen bond and the crystal structure is stabilized by intermolecular C– $H \cdots O$  and C– $H \dots \pi$  interactions.

### Comment

The discovery of a unique property of 1,2,4-triazole derivatives, viz. the inhibition of the biosynthesis of ergosterins, has stimulated an intensive search for new active compounds (Mel'nikov & Mil'shtein, 1986). 1,2,4-Triazoles are also very useful ligands in coordination chemistry (Bencini et al., 1985, 1987; van Koningsbruggen et al., 1995). Furthermore, condensed 1,2,4-triazoles are biologically important compounds (Kottke et al., 1993; Francis & Gelette, 1988; Francis et al., 1988). A large number of heterocyclic compounds containing the 1,2,4-triazole ring are associated with diverse pharmacological properties, such as anti-inflammatory, fungicidal, antimicrobial and antiviral activity (Walser et al., 1991; Todoulou et al., 1994). Therefore, the crystal structure determination of the title compound, (I), was carried out.



The title molecule (Fig. 1) contains three rings, a triazole ring (A) and two phenyl rings B (C1–C6) and C (C12–C17). The bond lengths and angles in (I) are normal (Table 1). The triazole ring is planar and the benzylidenamino group is almost coplanar with it  $[C8-N3-N4-C11 -175.56 (14)^{\circ}, N3-N4-C11-C12 179.74 (13)^{\circ}, N4-C11-C12-C17 -172.79 (17)^{\circ}]$ . The dihedral angle between the triazole ring and phenyl ring C is 12.38 (10)°. The benzoyl phenyl ring B forms a dihedral angle of 58.74 (8)° with ring A. The molecular and crystal structures are stabilized by  $C-H\cdots O$  and  $C-H\cdots\pi$  interactions (Table 2). A view of the molecular packing is shown in Fig. 2.

## **Experimental**

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The corresponding Schiff base (3-methyl-4-benzylideneamino-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-1,2,4-triazol-5-one; 1.01 g, 0.005 mol) in a round-

Received 5 September 2003 Accepted 24 September 2003 Online 7 October 2003 bottomed flask was dissolved in 25 ml NaOH (5%) (Kahveci & İkizler, 2000). To this benzoyl chloride (0.64 ml) was added dropwise and the closed reaction vessel was shaken for 0.5 h at room temperature. The product was obtained by filtration, washed with water, dried and recrystallized from ethanol. Yield: 78.60%.

 $D_x = 1.331 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ 

Cell parameters from 9403

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation

reflections

 $\mu = 0.09 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ 

T = 293 (2) K

 $R_{\rm int}=0.072$ 

 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.0^{\circ}$  $h = -39 \rightarrow 39$ 

 $k = -10 \rightarrow 9$ 

 $l = -20 \rightarrow 21$ 

Prism, colourless  $0.73 \times 0.52 \times 0.30$  mm

 $\theta = 2.9 - 29.4^{\circ}$ 

#### Crystal data

 $\begin{array}{l} C_{17}H_{14}N_4O_2\\ M_r = 306.32\\ \text{Monoclinic, } C2/c\\ a = 28.850 \ (4) \ \text{\AA}\\ b = 7.4438 \ (5) \ \text{\AA}\\ c = 15.3364 \ (19) \ \text{\AA}\\ \beta = 111.853 \ (10)^\circ\\ V = 3056.9 \ (6) \ \text{\AA}^3\\ Z = 8 \end{array}$ 

#### Data collection

Stoe IPDS 2 diffractometer  $\varphi$  scans Absorption correction: none 4262 measured reflections 2700 independent reflections 1899 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

#### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0712P)^2]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.038$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$wR(F^2) = 0.096$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$
S = 0.87	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.17 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
2700 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.19 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
265 parameters	Extinction correction: SHELXL97
All H-atom parameters refined	Extinction coefficient: 0.0073 (6)

# Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å,  $^{\circ}$ ).

O1-C7	1.2008 (17)	N3-N4	1.3863 (16)
O2-C9	1.2029 (17)	N3-C9	1.3967 (18)
N1-C9	1.3890 (18)	N4-C11	1.260 (2)
N1-N2	1.3955 (16)	C1-C7	1.475 (2)
N1-C7	1.4179 (18)	C8-C10	1.474 (2)
N3-C8	1.3708 (18)	C11-C12	1.467 (2)
C9-N1-C7	127.37 (12)	N1-C7-C1	114.84 (12)
N2-N1-C7	119.74 (11)	N2-C8-C10	125.23 (14)
C8-N3-N4	119.59 (11)	N3-C8-C10	123.22 (13)
N4-N3-C9	130.59 (12)	O2-C9-N1	130.04 (13)
C11-N4-N3	119.34 (12)	O2-C9-N3	128.80 (13)
O1-C7-N1	120.33 (13)	N4-C11-C12	118.75 (15)
O1-C7-C1	124.83 (13)		

# Table 2

Hydrogen-bonding	geometry	(A,	°).
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$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
С11—Н6…О2	0.96 (2)	2.29 (2)	2.932 (2)	124 (1)
$C5-H13\cdots O1^{i}$	1.02 (2)	2.55 (2)	3.320 (2)	132 (2)
$C5-H13\cdots O2^{i}$	1.02 (2)	2.56 (2)	3.525 (2)	157 (2)
$C17-H1\cdots Cg1^{ii}$	1.00(2)	2.89 (2)	3.537 (2)	123 (2)
$C14-H4\cdots Cg2^{iii}$	1.00 (3)	2.93 (3)	3.684 (3)	132 (2)
$C10-H7\cdots Cg1^{iv}$	0.99 (3)	2.87 (2)	3.644 (2)	136 (2)
$C2-H10\cdots Cg2^{v}$	0.99 (2)	2.92 (2)	3.527 (2)	120 (1)

Symmetry codes: (i)  $x, 1 - y, \frac{1}{2} + z$ ; (ii) -x, 1 - y, -z; (iii)  $-\frac{1}{2} - x, y - \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} - z$ ; (iv)  $-x, y, \frac{1}{2} - z$ ; (v) -x, -y, -z. Cg1 and Cg2 denote the centroids of the rings B and C, respectively.

All H atoms were located in a difference Fourier map and their positional and isotropic displacement parameters were refined. The



#### Figure 1

An ORTEPIII (Farrugia, 1997) plot of (I), showing the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.



#### Figure 2

The molecular packing, viewed down the b axis.

C-H bond lengths are in the range 0.94 (2)–1.03 (2) Å and the  $U_{iso}$  values lie in the range 0.063 (4)–0.154 (10) Å<sup>2</sup>.

Data collection: X-AREA (Stoe & Cie, 2001); cell refinement: X-AREA; data reduction: X-RED (Stoe & Cie, 2001); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS86 (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: ORTEP-3 for Windows (Farrugia, 1997) and PLATON (Spek, 1990); software used to prepare material for publication: WinGX publication routines (Farrugia, 1999).

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