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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 $=0.038$
$w R$ 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, $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{2}$, 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) ${ }^{\circ}$. The molecular structure is stabilized by a C $\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ hydrogen bond and the crystal structure is stabilized by intermolecular $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ and $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H} . . . \pi$ 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.

(I)

The title molecule (Fig. 1) contains three rings, a triazole ring $(A)$ and two phenyl rings $B(\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 6)$ and $C(\mathrm{C} 12-\mathrm{C} 17)$. 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 $\left[\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{N} 3-\mathrm{N} 4-\mathrm{C} 11-175.56(14)^{\circ}\right.$, $\mathrm{N} 3-\mathrm{N} 4-\mathrm{C} 11-\mathrm{C} 12 \quad 179.74(13)^{\circ}, \quad \mathrm{N} 4-\mathrm{C} 11-\mathrm{C} 12-\mathrm{C} 17$ $\left.-172.79(17)^{\circ}\right]$. The dihedral angle between the triazole ring and phenyl ring $C$ is $12.38(10)^{\circ}$. The benzoyl phenyl ring $B$ forms a dihedral angle of $58.74(8)^{\circ}$ with ring $A$. The molecular and crystal structures are stabilized by $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ and $\mathrm{C}-$ $\mathrm{H} \cdots \pi$ interactions (Table 2). A view of the molecular packing is shown in Fig. 2.

## Experimental

The corresponding Schiff base (3-methyl-4-benzylideneamino-4,5-dihydro- $1 \mathrm{H}-1,2,4$-triazol-5-one; $1.01 \mathrm{~g}, \quad 0.005 \mathrm{~mol}$ ) in a round-

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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: $78.60 \%$.

## Crystal data

$\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{2}$
$M_{r}=306.32$
Monoclinic, $C 2 / c$
$a=28.850(4) \AA$
$b=7.4438(5) \AA$
$c=15.3364(19) \AA$
$\beta=111.853(10)^{\circ}$
$V=3056.9(6) \AA^{3}$
$Z=8$
$D_{x}=1.331 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$
Mo $K \alpha$ radiation
Cell parameters from 9403 reflections
$\theta=2.9-29.4^{\circ}$
$\mu=0.09 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$
$T=293$ (2) K
Prism, colourless
$0.73 \times 0.52 \times 0.30 \mathrm{~mm}$

## 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 $F^{2}$
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.038$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.096$
$S=0.87$
2700 reflections
265 parameters
All H -atom parameters refined
$R_{\text {int }}=0.072$
$\theta_{\text {max }}=25.0^{\circ}$
$h=-39 \rightarrow 39$
$k=-10 \rightarrow 9$
$l=-20 \rightarrow 21$

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\begin{aligned}
& w=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{o}^{2}\right)+(0.0712 P)^{2}\right] \\
& \quad \text { where } P=\left(F_{o}^{2}+2 F_{c}^{2}\right) / 3 \\
& (\Delta / \sigma)_{\max }<0.001 \\
& \Delta \rho_{\max }=0.17 \mathrm{e}^{-3} \\
& \Delta \rho_{\min }=-0.19 \mathrm{e} \AA^{-3} \\
& \text { Extinction correction: SHELXL97 } \\
& \text { Extinction coefficient: } 0.0073(6)
\end{aligned}
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Table 1
Selected geometric parameters ( $\AA \mathrm{A}^{\circ}$ ).

| 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 | $1.4179(18)$ | $\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{C} 10$ | $1.474(2)$ |
| N3-C8 | $1.3708(18)$ | $\mathrm{C} 11-\mathrm{C} 12$ | $1.467(2)$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| C9-N1-C7 | $127.37(12)$ | $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{C} 1$ | $114.84(12)$ |
| N2-N1-C7 | $119.74(11)$ | $\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{C} 10$ | $125.23(14)$ |
| C8-N3-N4 | $119.59(11)$ | $\mathrm{N} 3-\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{C} 10$ | $123.22(13)$ |
| N4-N3-C9 | $130.59(12)$ | O2-C9-N1 | $130.04(13)$ |
| C11-N4-N3 | $119.34(12)$ | $\mathrm{O} 2-\mathrm{C} 9-\mathrm{N} 3$ | $128.80(13)$ |
| O1-C7-N1 | $120.33(13)$ | $\mathrm{N} 4-\mathrm{C} 11-\mathrm{C} 12$ | $118.75(15)$ |
| O1-C7-C1 | $124.83(13)$ |  |  |

Table 2
Hydrogen-bonding geometry $\left(\AA^{\circ},{ }^{\circ}\right)$.

| $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H}$ | $\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C11-H6 $\cdots$ O2 | 0.96 (2) | 2.29 (2) | 2.932 (2) | 124 (1) |
| C5-H13..) $1^{\text {i }}$ | 1.02 (2) | 2.55 (2) | 3.320 (2) | 132 (2) |
| C5-H13..O22 ${ }^{\text {i }}$ | 1.02 (2) | 2.56 (2) | 3.525 (2) | 157 (2) |
| $\mathrm{C} 17-\mathrm{H} 1 \cdots \mathrm{Cg} 1^{\text {ii }}$ | 1.00 (2) | 2.89 (2) | 3.537 (2) | 123 (2) |
| $\mathrm{C} 44-\mathrm{H} 4 \cdots \mathrm{Cg} 2^{\text {iii }}$ | 1.00 (3) | 2.93 (3) | 3.684 (3) | 132 (2) |
| $\mathrm{C} 10-\mathrm{H} 7 \cdots \mathrm{Cg} 1^{\text {iv }}$ | 0.99 (3) | 2.87 (2) | 3.644 (2) | 136 (2) |
| $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{H} 10 \cdots \mathrm{Cg} 2^{\mathrm{V}}$ | 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) $-x,-y,-z . C g 1$ and $C g 2$ 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.
$\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}$ bond lengths are in the range 0.94 (2) -1.03 (2) $\AA$ and the $U_{\text {iso }}$ values lie in the range $0.063(4)-0.154$ (10) $\AA^{2}$.

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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