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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
$T=296 \mathrm{~K}$
Mean $\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.003 \AA$
$R$ factor $=0.040$
$w R$ factor $=0.109$
Data-to-parameter ratio $=14.7$

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## 9-Chloro-5,5-dimethyl-2,3-diphenyl-2,3-dihydroimidazo[1,2-c]quinazoline

The title compound, $\mathrm{C}_{24} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{ClN}_{3}$, (I), was synthesized by the reaction of 4,5-diphenyl-2-(2-nitro-5-chlorophenyl)imidazole with acetone, induced by a low-valent titanium reagent ( $\mathrm{TiCl}_{4} /$ Zn ). X-ray analysis reveals that (I) contains a pyrimidine ring in a distorted boat conformation.

## Comment

Quinazolines are an important class of compounds found in many naturally occurring products (e.g. hinckdentine A; Blackman et al., 1987; Billimoria \& Cava, 1994), and employed as potent agents (Helissey et al., 1994; Brana et al., 1994; Riou et al., 1991; Ibrahim et al., 1998). Low-valent reagents have an exceedingly high ability to promote reductive coupling of carbonyl compounds and are attracting increasing interest in organic synthesis (McMurry, 1983; Shi et al., 2003). We report here the crystal structure of 9-chloro-5,5-dimethyl-2,3-di-phenyl-2,3-dihydroimidazo[1,2-c]quinazoline, (I), synthesized by the reaction of 4,5-diphenyl-2-(2-nitro-5-chlorophenyl)imidazole with acetone, induced by a low-valent titanium reagent $\left(\mathrm{TiCl}_{4} / \mathrm{Zn}\right)$.

(I)

In (I), atoms N1, C5, C6, C7, N1 and C10 form a pyrimidine ring, with an interatomic distance of 1.440 (3) $\AA$ for $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 10$ and 1.487 (2) $\AA$ for $\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 10$, which show that these $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{N}$ bonds are single. The pyrimidine ring adopts a distorted boat conformation (Figs. 1 and 2); atoms C5, C6, C7 and N2 are coplanar, while atoms N 1 and C 10 deviate from this plane by 0.157 (1) and 0.347 (1) A, respectively. The dihedral angle between the $\mathrm{C} 13-\mathrm{C} 18$ and $\mathrm{C} 19-\mathrm{C} 24$ phenyl rings is $79.31(2)^{\circ}$. In addition, because of conjugation, the distances $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 5 \quad[1.378(2) \AA], \mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 7 \quad[1.364(2) \AA]$ and $\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 8$ [1.388 (2) A] are significantly shorter than the typical Csp ${ }^{2}-\mathrm{N}$ bond distance (1.426 $\AA$; Lorente et al., 1995). The molecules are linked by an $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{N}$ hydrogen bond (Table 2), forming a chain along the $c$ axis (Fig. 2).

## Experimental

The title compound (I), was prepared by the reaction of 4,5 -diphenyl-2-(2-nitro-5-chlorophenyl)imidazole with acetone induced by lowvalent titanium reagent ( $\mathrm{TiCl}_{4} / \mathrm{Zn}$ ) (m.p. 528-529 K). Single crystals

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Figure 1
The molecular structure of (I), showing $50 \%$ probability displacement ellipsoids and the atom-numbering scheme.


Figure 2
A molecular packing diagram of (I). H atoms have been omitted for clarity.
suitable for X-ray diffraction were obtained by slow evaporation of an ethanol solution.

## Crystal data

## $\mathrm{C}_{24} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{ClN}_{3}$

$M_{r}=385.88$
Monoclinic, $P 2_{1} / c$
$a=8.955$ (1) $\AA$
$b=17.568$ (2) A
$c=13.075$ (2) $\AA$
$\beta=90.26(1)^{\circ}$
$V=2056.9(4) \AA^{3}$
$Z=4$

## Data collection

Siemens $P 4$ diffractometer $\omega$ scans
Absorption correction: $\psi$ scan (XSCANS; Siemens, 1994)
$T_{\text {min }}=0.893, T_{\text {max }}=0.945$
4393 measured reflections
3833 independent reflections
2274 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.040$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.109$
$S=0.88$
3833 reflections
260 parameters
H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement

Table 1
Selected geometric parameters $\left(\AA^{\circ},^{\circ}\right)$.

| N1-C5 | $1.378(2)$ | $\mathrm{N} 3-\mathrm{C} 7$ | $1.328(2)$ |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | ---: |
| $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 10$ | $1.440(3)$ | $\mathrm{N} 3-\mathrm{C} 9$ | $1.386(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 7$ | $1.364(2)$ | $\mathrm{C} 6-\mathrm{C} 7$ | $1.448(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 8$ | $1.388(2)$ | $\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{C} 9$ | $1.378(2)$ |
| N2-C10 | $1.487(2)$ |  |  |
| $\mathrm{C} 5-\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 10$ | $122.50(16)$ | $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 5-\mathrm{C} 6$ | $118.52(19)$ |
| C7-N2-C8 | $107.12(14)$ | $\mathrm{N} 3-\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{N} 2$ | $111.86(17)$ |
| C7-N2-C10 | $121.96(16)$ | $\mathrm{N} 3-\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{C} 6$ | $127.74(17)$ |
| C8-N2-C10 | $129.94(15)$ | $\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{C} 6$ | $120.40(16)$ |
| C7-N3-C9 | $105.19(15)$ | $\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{C} 13$ | $123.84(15)$ |
| N1-C5-C4 | $122.17(18)$ |  |  |
| C10-N1-C5-C4 | $-155.6(2)$ | $\mathrm{C} 5-\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 10-\mathrm{N} 2$ | $-42.6(3)$ |
| C1-C6-C7-N3 | $-6.6(3)$ | $\mathrm{C} 9-\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{C} 13-\mathrm{C} 18$ | $-83.6(3)$ |
| C1-C6-C7-N2 | $173.91(18)$ | $\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{C} 13-\mathrm{C} 18$ | $95.8(2)$ |
| N2-C8-C9-N3 | $1.1(2)$ | $\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{C} 9-\mathrm{C} 19-\mathrm{C} 20$ | $152.8(2)$ |

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

| $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H}$ | $\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{~N} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 \mathrm{~N} \cdots \mathrm{~N}^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $0.90(2)$ | $2.26(2)$ | $3.147(2)$ | $172.3(19)$ |

Symmetry code: (i) $x, \frac{1}{2}-y, z-\frac{1}{2}$.
The H atom on N was refined isotropically, with the $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H}$ bond length restrained to $0.90 \AA$; other H atoms were positioned geometrically and refined as riding $\left[\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}=0.93-0.98 \AA\right.$ and $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=1.2$ $\left.U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{C})\right]$.

Data collection: XSCANS (Siemens, 1994); cell refinement: XSCANS; data reduction: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to solve structure: $S H E L X T L$; program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXTL; molecular graphics: SHELXTL; software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL.

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