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$R$  factor = 0.046

$wR$  factor = 0.112

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## 9-Chloro-2,3-diphenyl-5,6-dihydroimidazo[1,2-*c*]quinazolin-5-one *N,N*-dimethylformamide solvate

The title compound,  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{14}\text{ClN}_3\text{O} \cdot \text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{NO}$ , was synthesized by the reaction of 2-(5-chloro-2-nitrophenyl)-4,5-diphenylimidazole with triphosgene, induced by a low-valent titanium reagent ( $\text{TiCl}_4/\text{Zn}$ ). The dihydropyrimidine ring adopts a skew-boat conformation.

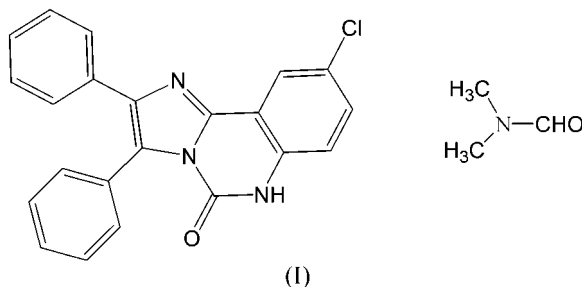
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#### Comment

Quinazolines are an important class of compounds found in many naturally occurring products (*e.g.* himckdentine 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.*, 1988). 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.*, 1993, 1997, 1998). In the course of our work on the application of low-valent titanium reagents in the preparation of bioactive heterocyclic compounds, we have reported the synthesis of quinazoline-4(3*H*)-ones (Shi *et al.*, 2003), imidazo[1,2-*c*]quinazolines (Shi, Wang *et al.*, 2004) and pyrroles (Shi, Shi *et al.*, 2004). We report here the crystal structure of the title compound, (I).



The pyrimidine ring adopts a skew-boat conformation; atoms C1, C6, C5 and N3 are coplanar, while atoms N2 and C4 deviate from this plane by 0.111 (2) and 0.067 (2) Å, respectively. A similar conformation was observed in the structure of 5,5-dimethyl-2,3-diphenyl-5,6-dihydroimidazo[1,2-*c*]quinazolin-5-one (Wu *et al.*, 2004). The benzene rings C5–C10, C11–C16 and C17–C22 form dihedral angles of 5.58 (2), 28.68 (3) and 79.41 (2)°, respectively, with the imidazole ring. The dihedral angle between the C11–C16 and C17–C22 phenyl rings is 83.57 (2)°. In addition, because of the existence of a conjugated system, the N2–C4 [1.4125 (19) Å], N3–C4 [1.356 (2) Å] and N3–C5 [1.389 (2) Å] distances are significantly shorter than the typical  $\text{Csp}^2\text{-N}$  bond distance (1.426 Å; Lorente *et al.*, 1995). An intermolecular hydrogen bond is formed between the N3/H3 amine group and atom O2 of the solvent *N,N*-dimethylformamide (Fig. 2 and Table 2).

## Experimental

The title compound, (I), was prepared by the reaction of 2-(5-chloro-2-nitrophenyl)-4,5-diphenylimidazole (0.75 g, 2 mmol) with triphosgene (0.89 g, 3 mmol) induced by a low-valent titanium reagent ( $\text{TiCl}_4/\text{Zn}$ ). Yield 82%, m.p. 593–595 K. Crystals of (I) suitable for X-ray diffraction were obtained by slow evaporation of an *N,N*-dimethylformamide solution.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ ):  $\delta$  2.91 (3H, s,  $\text{CH}_3\text{N}$ ), 2.98 (3H, s,  $\text{CH}_3\text{N}$ ), 7.05 (1H, d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, ArH), 7.25–7.31 (7H, m, ArH), 7.45–7.50 (3H, m, ArH), 7.62 (1H, d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, ArH), 8.04 (1H, s, CHO), 8.50 (1H, s, ArH), 9.58 (1H, s, NH).

### Crystal data

$\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{14}\text{ClN}_3\text{O}\cdot\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{NO}$   
 $M_r = 444.91$   
 Monoclinic,  $P2_1/n$   
 $a = 8.9157$  (10) Å  
 $b = 11.2560$  (13) Å  
 $c = 21.496$  (3) Å  
 $\beta = 97.370$  (3)°  
 $V = 2139.4$  (4) Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 4$

$D_x = 1.381$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>  
 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 Cell parameters from 8583 reflections  
 $\theta = 3.2$ – $27.5$ °  
 $\mu = 0.21$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 193$  (2) K  
 Block, colorless  
 $0.58 \times 0.30 \times 0.24$  mm

### Data collection

Rigaku Mercury diffractometer  
 $\omega$  scans  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (Jacobson, 1998)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.888$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.951$   
 23 135 measured reflections  
 4886 independent reflections

4260 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.028$   
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.5$ °  
 $h = -11 \rightarrow 11$   
 $k = -13 \rightarrow 14$   
 $l = -27 \rightarrow 27$

### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.046$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.112$   
 $S = 1.10$   
 4886 reflections  
 296 parameters  
 H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0454P)^2 + 0.9166P]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.26$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.26$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

**Table 1**

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

O1–C4	1.2151 (18)	N2–C3	1.3963 (19)
N1–C1	1.3067 (19)	N2–C4	1.4125 (19)
N1–C2	1.3885 (19)	N3–C4	1.356 (2)
N2–C1	1.3833 (18)	N3–C5	1.389 (2)
C4–N2–C1–C6	7.3 (2)	C4–N3–C5–C6	4.8 (2)
C5–N3–C4–N2	–2.0 (2)	N3–C5–C6–C1	–1.4 (2)
C1–N2–C4–N3	–4.2 (2)	N2–C1–C6–C5	–4.1 (2)

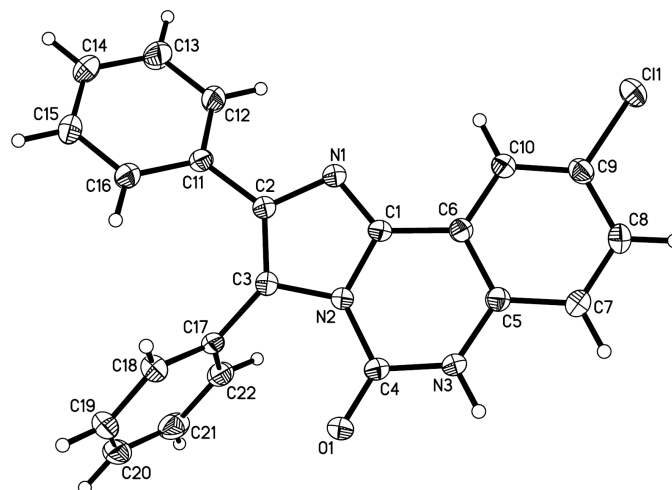
**Table 2**

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

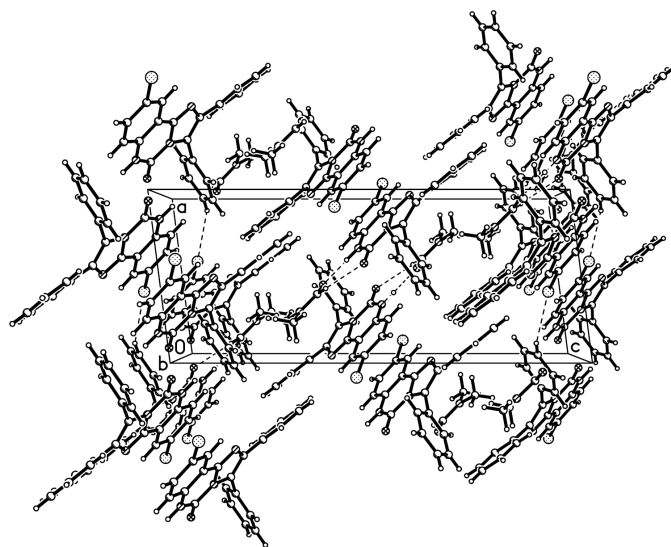
$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
C20–H20 $\cdots$ C11 <sup>i</sup>	0.95	2.90	3.685 (2)	141
C23–H23 $\cdots$ O1 <sup>ii</sup>	0.95	2.50	3.283 (2)	140
N3–H3 $\cdots$ O2 <sup>ii</sup>	0.92 (2)	1.86 (2)	2.770 (2)	178 (2)
N3–H3 $\cdots$ C23 <sup>ii</sup>	0.92 (2)	2.57 (2)	3.400 (2)	151 (2)

Symmetry codes: (i)  $1+x, y-1, z$ ; (ii)  $1-x, 1-y, 1-z$ .

The amine H atom was located in a differences Fourier map and refined isotropically. The C-bound H atoms were positioned



**Figure 1**  
 The molecular structure of (I), showing 40% probability displacement ellipsoids and the atom-numbering scheme.



**Figure 2**

A molecular packing diagram for (I). The broken lines indicate hydrogen bonds and short contacts.

geometrically and were treated as riding on their parent C atoms, with C–H distances in the range 0.95–0.98 Å;  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$  or  $1.5U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C}_{\text{methyl}})$ .

Data collection: *CrystalClear* (Rigaku, 2000); cell refinement: *CrystalClear*; data reduction: *CrystalStructure* (Rigaku/MSK, 2003); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXTL*; molecular graphics: *SHELXTL*; software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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