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## 4-(2-Benzoyl-5-methoxyphenoxy)benzene-1,2-dicarbonitrile

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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
$T=293 \mathrm{~K}$
Mean $\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.002 \AA$
$R$ factor $=0.038$
$w R$ factor $=0.085$
Data-to-parameter ratio $=15.1$
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The title compound, $\mathrm{C}_{22} \mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}$, contains three benzene rings, pairs of which form dihedral angles of 55.37 (5), 68.47 (4) and $82.82(4)^{\circ}$. The average $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{C}$ angle is $119.0(1)^{\circ}$.

## Comment

The title compound, (I), is a precursor in the synthesis of peripherally tetrasubstituted phthalocyanines (Leznoff \& Lever, 1989-1996). For many years, phthalocyanines have attracted continued interest in various research fields, such as chemical sensors, electrochromism, batteries, photodynamic therapy, semiconductor materials, liquid crystals and nonlinear optics (Leznoff \& Lever, 1989-1996; McKeown, 1998).

(I)

The molecular structure of (I) and a packing diagram are shown in Figs. 1 and 2, respectively. Some selected bond lengths and angles are listed in Table 1. The $\mathrm{C} \equiv \mathrm{N}, \mathrm{C}=\mathrm{O}$ and $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{O}$ bond lengths agree with literature values (Ocak et al., 2004; Iskeleli \& Ağar, 2005; Erdem, Atalay, Akdemir, Ağar \& Kantar, 2004; Erdem, Atalay, Akdemir, Ağar \& Özil, 2004; Atalay et al., 2003, 2004).

Compound (I) consists of one benzene rings, $A$ (C1-C6), $B$ (C8-C13) and $C$ (C14-C19). The dihedral angles between the least-squares planes of the rings are $A / B=55.37$ (5), $A / C=$ 68.47 (4) and $B / C=82.82(4)^{\circ}$.

## Experimental

2-Hydroxy-4-methoxybenzophenone ( $1.58 \mathrm{~g}, \quad 6.92 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and 4-nitrophthalonitrile ( $1.00 \mathrm{~g}, 5.78 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) were dissolved in dry dimethylformamide ( 40 ml ) with stirring under $\mathrm{N}_{2}$ at 313 K . Dry fine-

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Figure 1
A view of (I), with the atom-numbering scheme and $50 \%$ probability displacement ellipsoids.


Figure 2
A plot of the crystal packing of (I), projected on the $b c$ plane.
powdered potassium carbonate $(1.2 \mathrm{~g}, 8.69 \mathrm{mmol})$ was added in portions ( $10 \times 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) every 10 min . The reaction mixture was stirred for 48 h at 313 K and poured into ice-water $(150 \mathrm{~g})$. The product was filtered off and washed with $10 \%(w / w) \mathrm{NaOH}$ solution and water until the filtrate was neutral. Recrystallization from ethanol gave a white product. Yield $0.60 \mathrm{~g}(29.33 \%)$. Single crystals of (I) were obtained from absolute ethanol at room temperature by slow
evaporation (m.p. 393 K ). Elemental analysis, calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{22} \mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}$ : C 74.57, H 3.98, N 7.91\%; found: C 74.56, H 3.96, N 7.88\%.

## Crystal data

$\mathrm{C}_{22} \mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}$
$M_{r}=354.35$
Triclinic, $P \overline{1}$
$a=7.3142$ (9) $\AA$
$b=9.6929$ (11) $\AA$
$c=12.9986$ (16) $\AA$
$\alpha=81.233$ (9) ${ }^{\circ}$
$\beta=83.004$ (10) ${ }^{\circ}$
$\gamma=74.967$ (9) ${ }^{\circ}$
$V=876.34(18) \AA^{3}$

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\begin{aligned}
& Z=2 \\
& D_{x}=1.343 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{~m}^{-3}
\end{aligned}
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Mo $K \alpha$ radiation
Cell parameters from 9968

> reflections
$\theta=2.2-27.5^{\circ}$
$\mu=0.09 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$
$T=293$ (2) K
Prism, light yellow
$0.42 \times 0.26 \times 0.11 \mathrm{~mm}$

## Data collection

Stoe IPDS-II diffractometer
$\omega$ scans
Absorption correction: integration
(X-RED32; Stoe \& Cie, 2002)
$T_{\text {min }}=0.963, T_{\text {max }}=0.990$
10703 measured reflections
3726 independent reflections

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.038$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.085$
$S=0.97$
3726 reflections
246 parameters
H -atom parameters constrained

2453 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$
$R_{\text {int }}=0.046$
$\theta_{\text {max }}=27.1^{\circ}$
$h=-9 \rightarrow 9$
$k=-12 \rightarrow 12$
$l=-16 \rightarrow 16$

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

| C7-O1 | $1.2149(17)$ | C14-O3 | $1.3583(15)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| C11-O2 | $1.3610(17)$ | C20-N1 | $1.134(2)$ |
| C13-O3 | $1.3996(15)$ | C21-N2 | $1.1406(18)$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| O1-C7-C8 | $120.06(14)$ | C11-O2-C22 | $118.01(12)$ |
| O1-C7-C6 | $119.81(13)$ | C14-O3-C13 | $119.99(10)$ |

All H atoms were placed in calculated positions and refined using a riding model. C -H distances were set to 0.93 (aromatic H ) or $0.96 \AA$ (methyl H). $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})$ values were constrained to be 1.2 ( 1.5 for methyl H) times $U_{\text {eq }}$ of the carrier atom.

Data collection: X-AREA (Stoe \& Cie,2002); cell refinement: $X-A R E A$; data reduction: $X$-RED32 (Stoe \& Cie, 2002); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: ORTEPIII (Burnett \& Johnson, 1996); software used to prepare material for publication: WinGX (Farrugia, 1999), PARST (Nardelli, 1995) and PLATON (Spek, 2003).

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