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#### Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study

$T = 294$  K

Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.004$  Å

$R$  factor = 0.036

$wR$  factor = 0.093

Data-to-parameter ratio = 8.6

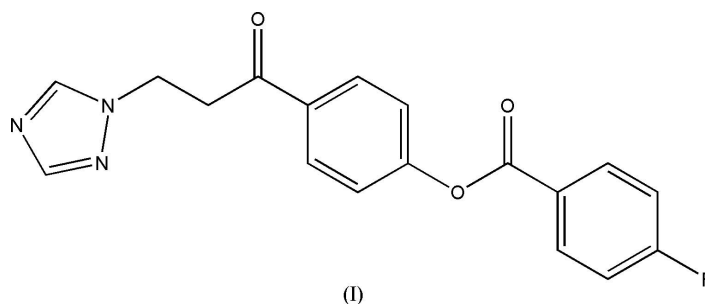
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## 4-[3-(1,2,4-Triazol-1-yl)propionyl]phenyl 4-fluorobenzoate

In the title compound,  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{14}\text{FN}_3\text{O}_3$ , the dihedral angles made by the triazole ring with the plane of the central benzene ring and the *p*-fluorophenylcarbonyl group are  $82.09(2)$  and  $82.05(2)^\circ$ , respectively. There are weak  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  intra- and intermolecular interactions in the crystal structure, which contribute to the stability.

#### Comment

Triazole rings appear frequently in the structures of various natural products and biologically active compounds, notably thiamine (vitamin B), penicillins and antibiotics, such as micrococcin (James & Watson, 1966). Triazole derivatives have also attracted considerable attention in industry and agriculture because of their significant biological activities (Zhang *et al.*, 2002). In this paper, we report the structure of the title compound, (I).



In the molecule of (I) (Fig. 1), the bond lengths and angles are generally normal in the benzene and triazole rings (Ji *et al.*, 2002). The  $\text{C}1-\text{O}1$  and  $\text{C}14-\text{O}3$  bond lengths of  $1.200(3)$  and  $1.216(3)$  Å, respectively (Table 1), are close to the typical  $\text{C}=\text{O}$  double-bond length. Atom  $\text{C}16$  lies in the plane of the triazole ring, and atoms  $\text{O}3$ ,  $\text{C}11$ ,  $\text{C}14$  and  $\text{C}15$  are coplanar (plane  $P1$ ). The dihedral angles formed by the triazole and  $\text{C}8-\text{C}13$  rings with  $P1$  are  $81.20(3)$  and  $5.16(2)^\circ$ , respectively. Atom  $\text{C}1$  lies in the plane of the  $\text{C}2-\text{C}7$  benzene ring, and atoms  $\text{O}1$ ,  $\text{O}2$ ,  $\text{C}1$ ,  $\text{C}2$  and  $\text{C}8$  are coplanar (plane  $P2$ ). The dihedral angles formed by the triazole and  $\text{C}2-\text{C}7$  rings with  $P2$  are  $78.75(3)$  and  $82.05(2)^\circ$ , respectively.

The structure of (I) shows a number of weak  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  intra- and intermolecular interactions (Table 2) which stabilize the crystal structure.

#### Experimental

1-(4-Hydroxyphenyl)-3-(1*H*-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)propan-1-one was prepared according to the method reported by Ogata *et al.* (1987). The title compound was prepared by the reaction of 1-(4-hydroxy-

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phenyl)-3-(1*H*-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)propan-1-one (2.17 g, 10 mmol) with 4-fluorobenzoyl chloride (1.59 g, 10 mmol) in acetone. Single crystals of (I) suitable for X-ray measurements were obtained by recrystallization from chloroform–ethyl acetate (1:3, v/v) at room temperature (m.p. 437–438 K). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, acetone-*d*<sup>6</sup>,  $\delta$ , p.p.m.): 7.12–8.15 (10H, *m*, Ar), 3.03–3.92 (4H, *m*, N–CH<sub>2</sub>–CH<sub>2</sub>–O). Analysis, calculated for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>14</sub>FN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C 63.71, H 4.16, N 12.38%; found: C 63.67, H 4.22, N 12.71%.

#### Crystal data

C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>14</sub> FN <sub>3</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Mo <i>K</i> $\alpha$ radiation
<i>M<sub>r</sub></i> = 339.32	Cell parameters from 2217 reflections
Orthorhombic, <i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> 2 <sub>1</sub> 2 <sub>1</sub>	$\theta$ = 3.1–21.3°
<i>a</i> = 5.8352 (11) Å	$\mu$ = 0.11 mm <sup>−1</sup>
<i>b</i> = 8.0741 (14) Å	<i>T</i> = 294 (2) K
<i>c</i> = 34.311 (7) Å	Block, colourless
<i>V</i> = 1616.5 (5) Å <sup>3</sup>	0.38 × 0.20 × 0.12 mm
<i>Z</i> = 4	
<i>D<sub>x</sub></i> = 1.394 Mg m <sup>−3</sup>	

#### Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer	1953 independent reflections
$\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans	1254 reflections with <i>I</i> > 2 $\sigma$ ( <i>I</i> )
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)	<i>R</i> <sub>int</sub> = 0.040
<i>T</i> <sub>min</sub> = 0.975, <i>T</i> <sub>max</sub> = 0.987	$\theta$ <sub>max</sub> = 26.3°
9128 measured reflections	<i>h</i> = −7 → 5
	<i>k</i> = −8 → 10
	<i>l</i> = −35 → 42

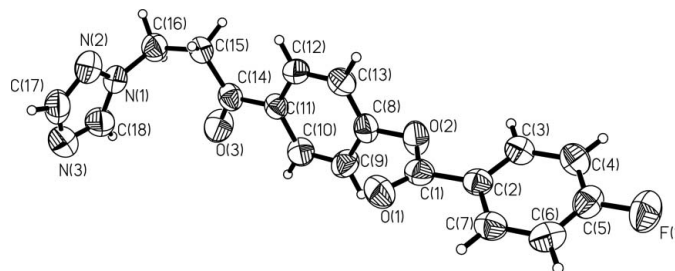
#### Refinement

Refinement on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0379P)^2 + 0.2678P]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.037$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$wR(F^2) = 0.093$	( $\Delta/\sigma$ ) <sub>max</sub> = 0.001
<i>S</i> = 1.02	$\Delta\rho$ <sub>max</sub> = 0.14 e Å <sup>−3</sup>
1953 reflections	$\Delta\rho$ <sub>min</sub> = −0.17 e Å <sup>−3</sup>
226 parameters	
H-atom parameters constrained	

**Table 1**

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

F1–C5	1.357 (3)	O2–C8	1.407 (3)
N1–C16	1.458 (4)	O3–C14	1.216 (3)
O1–C1	1.200 (3)	C14–C15	1.500 (4)
O2–C1	1.358 (3)	C15–C16	1.515 (4)
C18–N1–C16	130.7 (3)	C13–C8–O2	118.9 (3)
N2–N1–C16	120.0 (2)	C9–C8–O2	119.4 (3)
C1–O2–C8	117.7 (2)	O3–C14–C11	120.2 (3)
O1–C1–O2	122.5 (3)	O3–C14–C15	120.9 (3)
O1–C1–C2	126.0 (3)	C11–C14–C15	118.8 (3)
O2–C1–C2	111.4 (3)	C14–C15–C16	114.6 (3)
F1–C5–C6	118.4 (3)	N1–C16–C15	111.2 (3)
F1–C5–C4	118.0 (3)		
C10–C11–C14–O3	−6.8 (4)	C18–N1–C16–C15	−104.6 (4)
O3–C14–C15–C16	7.4 (4)	N2–N1–C16–C15	72.4 (3)



**Figure 1**

The structure of (I), showing 50% probability displacement ellipsoids and the atom-numbering scheme. H atoms are drawn as small spheres of arbitrary radii.

**Table 2**

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

<i>D</i> –H··· <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> –H	H··· <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> ··· <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> –H··· <i>A</i>
C3–H3···O2	0.93	2.42	2.731 (3)	100
C13–H13···O1 <sup>i</sup>	0.93	2.43	3.180 (4)	137

Symmetry code: (i) *x* + 1, *y*, *z*.

All H atoms were placed in calculated positions, with C–H = 0.93 or 0.97 Å, and included in the final cycles of refinement using a riding model, with *U*<sub>iso</sub>(H) = 1.2*U*<sub>eq</sub>(C). In the absence of significant anomalous dispersion effects, Friedel pairs were averaged.

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 1998); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 1999); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: SHELXTL (Bruker, 1999); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL.

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