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## Key indicators

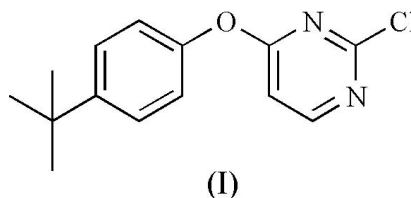
Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 294$  K  
Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.004$  Å  
Disorder in main residue  
 $R$  factor = 0.055  
 $wR$  factor = 0.134  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 15.3For details of how these key indicators were  
automatically derived from the article, see  
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.4-(4-*tert*-Butylphenoxy)-2-chloropyrimidineIn the title compound,  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{15}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}$ , the benzene and pyrimidine rings are nearly perpendicular, the dihedral angle between them being  $84.7(2)^\circ$ .

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## Comment

Pyrimidine derivatives are very important molecules in biology and have many applications in the areas of pesticide and pharmaceutical agents (Condon *et al.*, 1993). For example, imazosulfuron, ethirmol and mepanipyrim have been commercialized as agrochemicals (Maeno *et al.*, 1990). Pyrimidine derivatives have also been developed as antiviral agents, such as AZT, which is the most widely used anti-AIDS drug (Gilchrist, 1997). In order to discover further biologically active pyrimidine compounds, the title compound, (I), was synthesized and its crystal structure determined (Fig. 1).The benzene and pyrimidine rings of (I) are nearly perpendicular, the dihedral angle between them being  $84.7(2)^\circ$ . The  $\text{C}3-\text{C}4-\text{O}1-\text{C}5$ ,  $\text{N}1-\text{C}4-\text{O}1-\text{C}5$ ,  $\text{C}10-\text{C}5-\text{O}1-\text{C}4$  and  $\text{C}6-\text{C}5-\text{O}1-\text{C}4$  torsion angles are  $6.8(4)$ ,  $-174.0(3)$ ,  $-93.2(3)$  and  $91.2(3)^\circ$ , respectively (Table 1).

## Experimental

2,4-Dichloropyrimidine (0.30 g, 2 mmol) and anhydrous potassium carbonate (0.35 g, 2.5 mmol) were mixed in acetone (20 ml). A solution of 4-*tert*-butylphenol (0.32 g, 2.1 mmol) in acetone (5 ml) was then added dropwise with stirring. The mixture was stirred at room temperature overnight. The solvent was then evaporated *in vacuo* and the residue was washed with water. The resulting light-yellow precipitate was filtered off and recrystallized from ethanol and well shaped crystals of (I) were obtained.

## Crystal data

 $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{15}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}$   
 $M_r = 262.73$   
Monoclinic,  $C2/c$   
 $a = 20.692(11)$  Å  
 $b = 12.456(6)$  Å  
 $c = 11.792(6)$  Å  
 $\beta = 114.510(8)^\circ$   
 $V = 2765(2)$  Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 8$  $D_x = 1.262$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>  
Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
Cell parameters from 602 reflections  
 $\theta = 2.2-21.2^\circ$   
 $\mu = 0.27$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 294(2)$  K  
Block, yellow  
 $0.20 \times 0.18 \times 0.16$  mm

## Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer  
 $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.932$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.958$   
 6731 measured reflections

2788 independent reflections  
 1384 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.052$   
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 26.3^\circ$   
 $h = -25 \rightarrow 25$   
 $k = -9 \rightarrow 15$   
 $l = -12 \rightarrow 14$

## Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.055$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.134$   
 $S = 1.00$   
 2788 reflections  
 182 parameters  
 H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0558P)^2 + 0.1813P]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.18 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.20 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

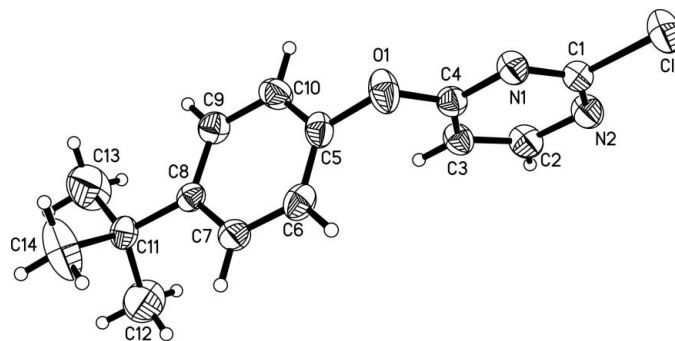


Figure 1

A view of (I), with the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level and H atoms are shown as small spheres of arbitrary radii. Only the major component of the disorder is shown.

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ ).

O1—C4	1.354 (3)	N2—C2	1.336 (3)
O1—C5	1.406 (3)	C2—C3	1.365 (3)
N2—C1	1.310 (3)		
C6—C5—O1	119.5 (3)	C5—C6—C7	119.4 (3)
C10—C5—O1	119.7 (3)		
C1—N1—C4—O1	-179.9 (2)	C4—O1—C5—C6	91.2 (3)
C1—N1—C4—C3	-0.7 (4)	C4—O1—C5—C10	-93.2 (3)
C5—O1—C4—N1	-174.0 (3)	O1—C5—C6—C7	175.2 (2)
C5—O1—C4—C3	6.8 (4)	O1—C5—C10—C9	-174.8 (2)
C2—C3—C4—O1	179.7 (3)		

The three methyl groups show positional disorder. At the final stage of the refinement, the occupancy factors of two possible sites, C12/C13/C14 and C12'/C13'/C14', were fixed at 0.87 and 0.13, respectively. H atoms were placed in calculated positions and treated as riding atoms, with C—H = 0.93  $\text{\AA}$  (aromatic H) or 0.96  $\text{\AA}$  (methyl H), and  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$  or  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.5U_{\text{eq}}(\text{methyl C})$ .

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 1998); cell refinement: SMART; data reduction: SAINT (Bruker, 1999); 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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