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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 295$  K  
Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003$  Å  
 $R$  factor = 0.063  
 $wR$  factor = 0.203  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 16.0For details of how these key indicators were automatically derived from the article, see <http://journals.iucr.org/e>.

## 2-[3-(2-Cyano-2-propyl)-5-(1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)-phenyl]-2-methylpropionitrile

In the title compound,  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_5$ , the almost ideally planar triazole ring forms a dihedral angle of  $75.1(1)^\circ$  with the benzene ring. There are intermolecular  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions.

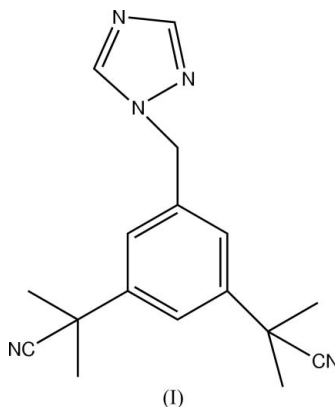
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## Comment

The title compound, (I), an aromatase inhibitor, has been shown to be useful in second-line therapy of estrogen-dependent breast cancer and has recently been approved as first-line therapy in several countries (Goss & Strasser, 2001). In this paper, we report the crystal structure of (I). The bond lengths and bond angles are in agreement with those reported for other 1,2,4-triazole derivatives (Chinnakali *et al.*, 1999; Mazur *et al.*, 2004) and are within the expected ranges. The almost ideally planar triazole ring forms a dihedral angle of  $75.1(1)^\circ$  with the benzene ring (Fig. 1). Atom C7 is coplanar with the triazole ring. In the crystal structure (Fig. 2), a  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interaction is observed between the benzene ring and the symmetry-related ring at  $(1 - x, y, \frac{3}{2} - z)$ ; the distance between the centroids of the benzene rings is  $3.995$  Å.



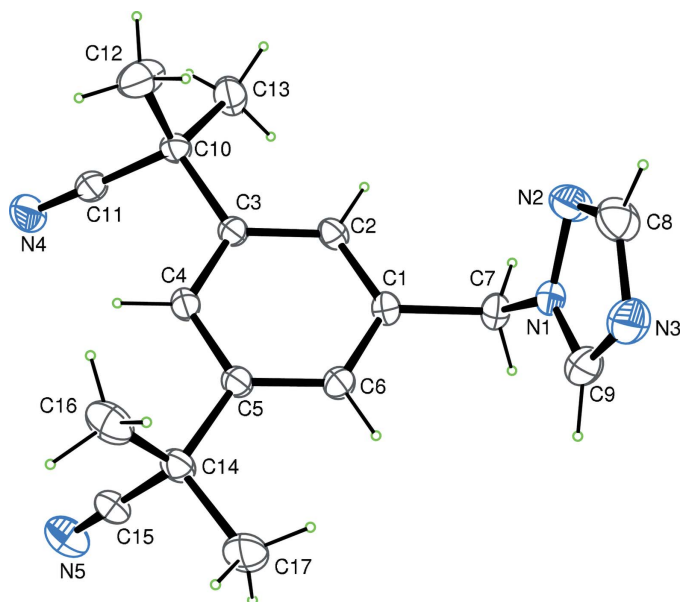
## Experimental

Compound (I) was a gift from Linhai Dongdog Chemical Factory. Crystals were grown from an acetone solution by slow evaporation at room temperature.

## Crystal data

$\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_5$   
 $M_r = 293.37$   
 Monoclinic,  $C2/c$   
 $a = 17.9107(8)$  Å  
 $b = 11.2522(3)$  Å  
 $c = 18.9011(7)$  Å  
 $\beta = 121.181(1)^\circ$   
 $V = 3258.9(2)$  Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 8$

$D_x = 1.196$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>  
 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 Cell parameters from 10339 reflections  
 $\theta = 2.2$ – $27.5^\circ$   
 $\mu = 0.08$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 295(1)$  K  
 Prism, colorless  
 $0.45 \times 0.45 \times 0.20$  mm



**Figure 1**  
Molecular structure of (I), showing 30% probability displacement ellipsoids.

#### Data collection

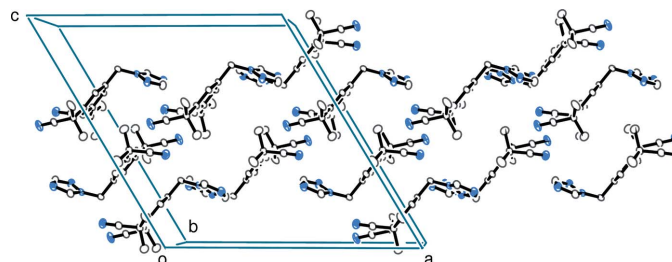
Rigaku R-AXIS RAPID  
diffractometer  
 $\omega$  scans  
Absorption correction: none  
16052 measured reflections  
3748 independent reflections

2348 reflections with  $F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.031$   
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.5^\circ$   
 $h = -23 \rightarrow 23$   
 $k = -14 \rightarrow 14$   
 $l = -23 \rightarrow 24$

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.063$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.203$   
 $S = 1.00$   
3197 reflections  
200 parameters  
H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[0.0057F_o^2 + \sigma(F_o^2)]/(4F_o^2)$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.37 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.37 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$   
Extinction correction: Larson  
(1970)  
Extinction coefficient:  $1.8(6) \times 10^2$



**Figure 2**  
Packing arrangement for (I). H atoms have been omitted for clarity.

The high-angle reflections ( $2\theta > 52^\circ$ ) were not used in the refinement, because they were weak. H atoms were placed in calculated positions, with  $C-H = 0.93 \text{ \AA}$ , and included in the refinement in a riding model, with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}$  (carrier atom).

Data collection: *PROCESS-AUTO* (Rigaku, 1998); cell refinement: *PROCESS-AUTO*; data reduction: *CrystalStructure* (Rigaku/MSK, 2004); program(s) used to solve structure: *SIR97* (Altomare *et al.*, 1999); program(s) used to refine structure: *CRYSTALS* (Betteridge *et al.*, 2003); molecular graphics: *ORTEP-3 for Windows* (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *CrystalStructure*.

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