

2,3-Bis(bromomethyl)-1-methoxy-4-nitrobenzene

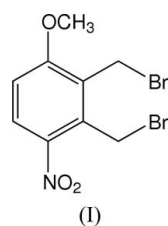
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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
 $T = 292$ K
Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.007$ Å
 R factor = 0.040
 wR factor = 0.133
Data-to-parameter ratio = 17.9For details of how these key indicators were
automatically derived from the article, see
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.In the title compound, $\text{C}_9\text{H}_9\text{Br}_2\text{NO}_3$, the molecules are linked
by intermolecular $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$ hydrogen bonds.Received 6 September 2005
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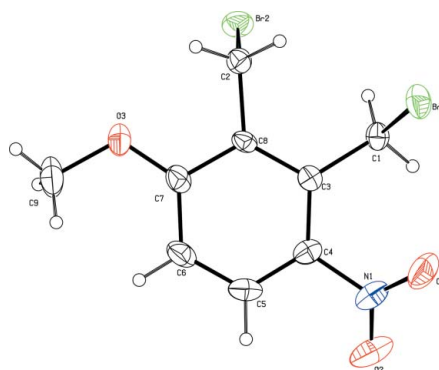
Comment

1,2-Bis(bromomethyl)benzene and its derivatives are impor-
tant building blocks in supramolecular chemistry (Wu *et al.*,
2002). In this paper, we report the crystal structure of the title
compound, (I) (Fig. 1). The bond lengths and angles are within
normal ranges (Allen *et al.*, 1987). The crystal structure is
stabilized by intermolecular $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$ interactions (Table 2
and Fig. 2)

Experimental

The title compound was synthesized by bromination of 1-methoxy-
2,3-dimethyl-4-nitrobenzene with *N*-bromosuccinimide in CCl_4 ,
according to the literature method (Lai & Yap, 1993; Knölker *et al.*,
1993). Crystals suitable for single-crystal X-ray diffraction were
grown by slow evaporation of a solution in hexane–MeOH (2:1).

Crystal data

 $\text{C}_9\text{H}_9\text{Br}_2\text{NO}_3$
 $M_r = 338.99$
Orthorhombic, $P2_12_12_1$
 $a = 4.7900$ (9) Å
 $b = 13.772$ (3) Å
 $c = 17.158$ (3) Å
 $V = 1131.9$ (4) Å³
 $Z = 4$
 $D_x = 1.989$ Mg m⁻³Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Cell parameters from 2142
reflections
 $\theta = 2.4\text{--}23.8^\circ$
 $\mu = 7.15$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 292$ (2) K
Block, colorless
0.20 × 0.20 × 0.20 mm**Figure 1**
A view of the molecule of (I), showing the atom-labeling scheme and 50%
probability displacement ellipsoids.

Data collection

Bruker SMART APEX CCD area detector diffractometer
 φ and ω scans
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1997)
 $T_{\min} = 0.239$, $T_{\max} = 0.243$
 6493 measured reflections

2454 independent reflections
 1920 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.034$
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.0^\circ$
 $h = -5 \rightarrow 6$
 $k = -14 \rightarrow 17$
 $l = -20 \rightarrow 21$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.040$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.133$
 $S = 1.13$
 2454 reflections
 137 parameters
 H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0709P)^2 + 0.0631P]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.74 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.68 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
 Absolute structure: Flack (1983),
 1465 Friedel pairs
 Flack parameter: 0.04 (3)

Table 1

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

Br1—C1	1.953 (5)	C9—O3	1.446 (6)
Br2—C2	1.993 (5)	N1—O2	1.199 (6)
C4—N1	1.452 (6)	N1—O1	1.235 (6)
C7—O3	1.327 (6)		
C3—C1—Br1	114.6 (3)	O2—N1—C4	118.4 (4)
C8—C2—Br2	108.7 (3)	O1—N1—C4	116.6 (4)
O2—N1—O1	125.0 (5)	C7—O3—C9	117.4 (4)
C8—C3—C4—N1	−175.5 (4)	C5—C6—C7—O3	177.4 (5)
N1—C4—C5—C6	174.5 (5)	O3—C7—C8—C3	−178.8 (4)

Table 2

Hydrogen-bond geometry (\AA , $^\circ$).

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
C6—H6 \cdots O1 ⁱ	0.93	2.43	3.216 (6)	143

Symmetry code: (i) $-x, y - \frac{1}{2}, -z + \frac{1}{2}$.

After their location in a difference Fourier map, H atoms were placed in calculated positions and allowed to ride on their parent atoms, with $C-H = 0.93-0.97 \text{ \AA}$, and $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2 - 1.5 U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$.

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 1997); 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:

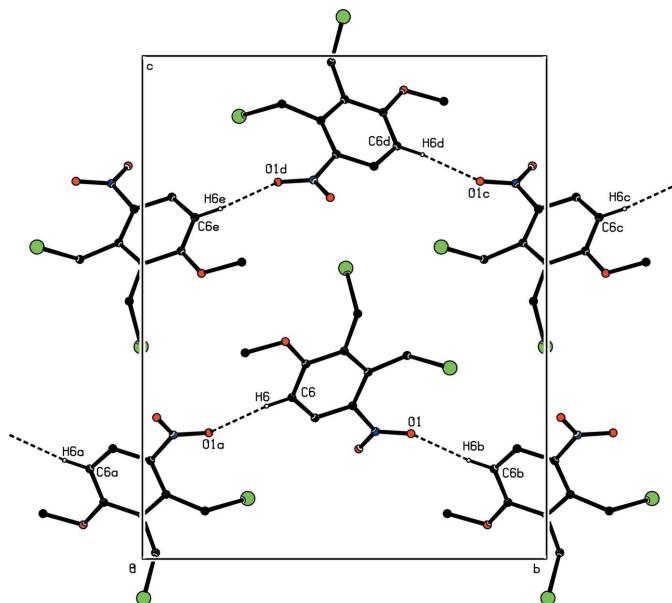


Figure 2

$C-H\cdots O$ intermolecular hydrogen-bonding, shown as dashed lines. H atoms not involved in hydrogen bonding have been omitted. [Symmetry codes: (a) $1-x, -\frac{1}{2}+y, \frac{1}{2}-z$; (b) $1-x, \frac{1}{2}+y, \frac{1}{2}-z$; (c) $\frac{1}{2}+x, -\frac{1}{2}-y, 1-z$; (d) $\frac{1}{2}-x, 1-y, \frac{1}{2}+z$; (e) $\frac{1}{2}+x, \frac{1}{2}-y, 1-z$.]

SHELXTL (Bruker, 2001); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL.

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