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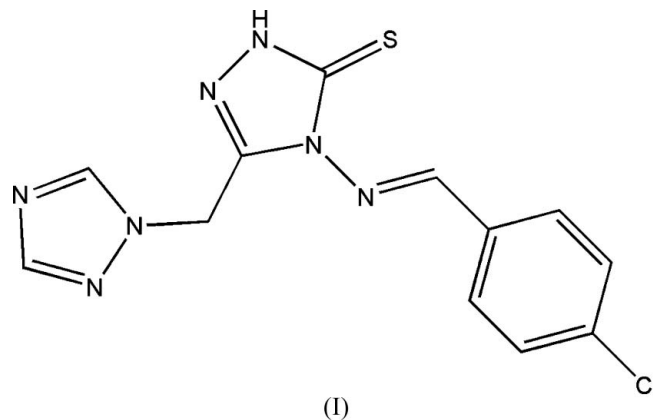
Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
 $T = 294$ K
Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003$ Å
 R factor = 0.041
 wR factor = 0.113
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-Chlorobenzylideneamino)-3-(1*H*-1,2,4-triazol-1-ylmethyl)-1*H*-1,2,4-triazole-5(4*H*)-thione

In the title compound, $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{10}\text{ClN}_7\text{S}$, the dihedral angles made by the plane of the thione-substituted triazole ring with the planes of the other triazole ring and the benzene ring are $73.57(3)$ and $46.65(2)^\circ$, respectively. Inter- and intramolecular hydrogen bonds and π - π stacking interactions stabilize the structure.

Comment

Recently, compounds containing a 1*H*-1,2,4-triazole group have attracted much interest because compounds containing this ring system are well known as efficient fungicides in pesticides and they exhibit good plant-growth regulatory activity for a wide variety of crops (Xu *et al.*, 2002). In addition, amine- and thione-substituted triazoles have been studied as anti-inflammatory and antimicrobial agents (Eweiss *et al.*, 1986; Awad *et al.*, 1991). In a search for new triazole compounds with better biological activity, the title compound, (I), was synthesized. We report here the crystal structure of (I).



Bond lengths and angles in the thione-substituted triazole ring and the other triazole ring (Table 1) are in agreement with the values quotes in previous reports (Li *et al.*, 2005; Xu *et al.*, 2005). The molecule exists in the thione tautomeric form, with an $\text{S}=\text{C}$ distance of $1.662(2)$ Å, which indicates substantial double-bond character for this bond (Allen *et al.*, 1987). The planes $\text{C}10-\text{C}12/\text{N}5/\text{N}6/\text{N}7$ and $\text{C}1-\text{C}7/\text{N}1/\text{C}11$ make angles of $73.57(3)$ and $46.65(2)^\circ$, respectively, with the thione-substituted triazole plane $\text{C}8/\text{C}9/\text{N}2/\text{N}3/\text{N}4/\text{S}1$. The crystal structure of (I) is stabilized by weak intra- and intermolecular hydrogen bonds and π - π stacking interactions. The π - π stacking interactions involve the thione-substituted triazole ring ($\text{C}8/\text{C}9/\text{N}2/\text{N}3/\text{N}4/\text{S}1$) $R1$ and the benzene ring ($\text{C}2-\text{C}7$) $R2$. The distance between the centroids of rings $R1$ and $R2$ (at $1-x, \frac{1}{2}+y, \frac{1}{2}-z$) is $3.532(3)$ Å.

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Experimental

A mixture of 4-amino-3-(1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)-1*H*-1,2,4-triazole-5(4*H*)-thione (0.02 mol) and 4-chlorobenzaldehyde (0.02 mol) was refluxed at 391 K for 15–20 min in glacial acetic acid. The mixture was then filtered and crystallized from ethanol to afford the title compound (5.87 g, yield 92%). Single crystals suitable for X-ray measurements were obtained by recrystallization from ethanol at room temperature.

Crystal data

$C_{12}H_{10}ClN_7S$	$D_x = 1.464 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$M_r = 319.78$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$	Cell parameters from 2083 reflections
$a = 11.090 (2) \text{ \AA}$	$\theta = 2.3\text{--}25.2^\circ$
$b = 7.4421 (15) \text{ \AA}$	$\mu = 0.41 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$c = 17.734 (4) \text{ \AA}$	$T = 294 (2) \text{ K}$
$\beta = 97.693 (3)^\circ$	Block, yellow
$V = 1450.6 (5) \text{ \AA}^3$	$0.22 \times 0.20 \times 0.18 \text{ mm}$
$Z = 4$	

Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area detector diffractometer	2972 independent reflections
φ and ω scans	1855 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)	$R_{int} = 0.029$
$T_{min} = 0.910$, $T_{max} = 0.929$	$\theta_{max} = 26.4^\circ$
7928 measured reflections	$h = -8 \rightarrow 13$
	$k = -9 \rightarrow 8$
	$l = -22 \rightarrow 22$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.05P)^2 + 0.2972P]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.041$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$wR(F^2) = 0.113$	$(\Delta\sigma)_{max} = 0.001$
$S = 1.01$	$\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.16 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
2972 reflections	$\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.27 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
194 parameters	
H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement	

Table 1

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

S1—C8	1.662 (2)	N3—N4	1.376 (2)
N1—N2	1.395 (2)	N5—N6	1.354 (3)
C1—N1—N2	116.02 (18)	N5—C10—C9	112.72 (18)

Table 2

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

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
$N4-H4A\cdots N7^i$	0.83 (2)	2.01 (3)	2.830 (3)	169 (2)
$C4-H4\cdots S1^{ii}$	0.93	2.82	3.517 (2)	133
$C1-H1\cdots S1$	0.93	2.74	3.246 (2)	115

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

All H atoms were placed in calculated positions, with $C-H = 0.93\text{--}0.97 \text{ \AA}$, and refined using a riding model, with $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$.

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.

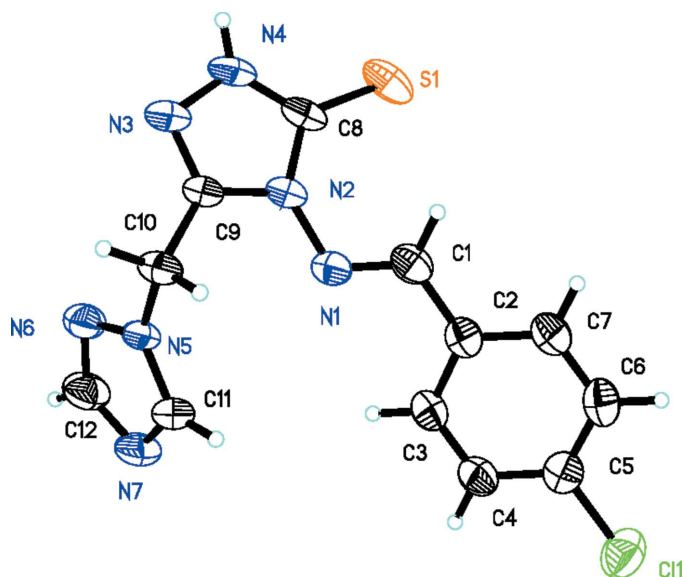


Figure 1
View of the title compound (I), with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 40% probability level.

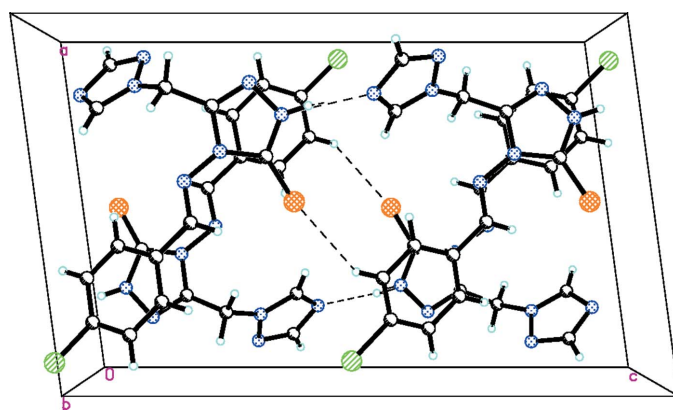


Figure 2

The packing of the title compound, viewed down the b axis. Hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines.

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