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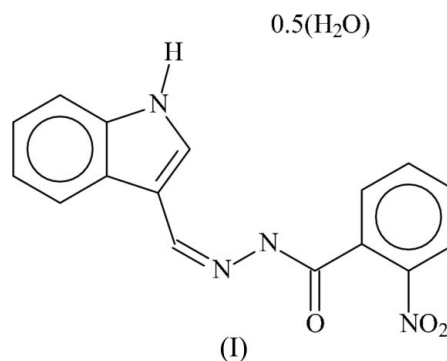
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Key indicatorsSingle-crystal X-ray study
 $T = 295$ K
Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.004$ Å
 R factor = 0.051
 wR factor = 0.174
Data-to-parameter ratio = 14.9For details of how these key indicators were
automatically derived from the article, see
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.In the title structure, $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_4\text{O}_3 \cdot 0.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$, the uncoordinated water molecule lies on a special position of site symmetry 2; $\text{O}-\text{H} \cdots \text{O}$ and $\text{N}-\text{H} \cdots \text{O}$ hydrogen bonds link the water and organic molecules into a layer structure.

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CommentA recent study (Ali *et al.*, 2005) reports the structure of the bromo-substituted derivative of the title Schiff base, (I), the condensation product of indole-3-carbaldehyde and 2-nitrobenzoylhydrazine. The crystal structures of both the bromo derivative and the title compound exist as hemihydrates whose water molecules lie on twofold rotation axes. There are no significant differences in the bond lengths of the previously reported and the title molecules (Fig. 1) and in both structures weak $\text{O}-\text{H} \cdots \text{O}$ and $\text{N}-\text{H} \cdots \text{O}$ hydrogen bonds link molecules into a two-dimensional network (Table 1).**Experimental**

Indole-3-carbaldehyde (0.50 g, 3.5 mmol) and 2-nitrobenzoylhydrazine (0.62 g, 3.5 mol) were heated in ethanol (50 ml) for 2 h. Orange crystals separated from the cooled solution after a day.

Crystal data $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_4\text{O}_3 \cdot 0.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$
 $M_r = 317.30$
Monoclinic, $C2/c$
 $a = 28.983$ (2) Å
 $b = 6.0809$ (5) Å
 $c = 16.559$ (1) Å
 $\beta = 95.397$ (2)°
 $V = 2905.5$ (4) Å³
 $Z = 8$ $D_x = 1.451$ Mg m⁻³
Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Cell parameters from 1977
reflections
 $\theta = 2.3-23.7^\circ$
 $\mu = 0.11$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 295$ (2) K
Block, orange-red
0.26 × 0.23 × 0.16 mm*Data collection*Bruker SMART area-detector
diffractometer
 φ and ω scans
Absorption correction: none
8682 measured reflections
3167 independent reflections1720 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.039$
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.1^\circ$
 $h = -30 \rightarrow 36$
 $k = -7 \rightarrow 7$
 $l = -21 \rightarrow 18$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.051$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.174$
 $S = 1.02$
 3167 reflections
 213 parameters

H-atom parameters constrained
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0931P)^2]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.26 \text{ e } \text{Å}^{-3}$
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.54 \text{ e } \text{Å}^{-3}$

Table 1
 Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-H \cdots A$	$D-H$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D-H \cdots A$
$N2-H2n \cdots O3^i$	0.86	2.11	2.961 (3)	169
$N4-H4n \cdots O1^{ii}$	0.86	2.35	3.087 (3)	144
$N4-H4n \cdots O1w^{iii}$	0.86	2.40	2.985 (3)	126
$O1w-H1w \cdots O2$	0.87	2.31	3.066 (3)	146

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

H atoms bonded to C and N atoms were included in calculated positions ($C-H = 0.93 \text{ Å}$ and $N-H = 0.86 \text{ Å}$) and were included in the refinement in the riding-model approximation, with $U_{\text{iso}}(H)$ set to $1.2U_{\text{eq}}(C,N)$. The unique water H atom was placed in a chemically sensible position on the basis of hydrogen bonding but it was not refined and $U_{\text{iso}}(H)$ was set at $1.2U_{\text{eq}}(O)$.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2000); cell refinement: *SAINTE* (Bruker, 2000); data reduction: *SAINTE*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEPII* (Johnson, 1976); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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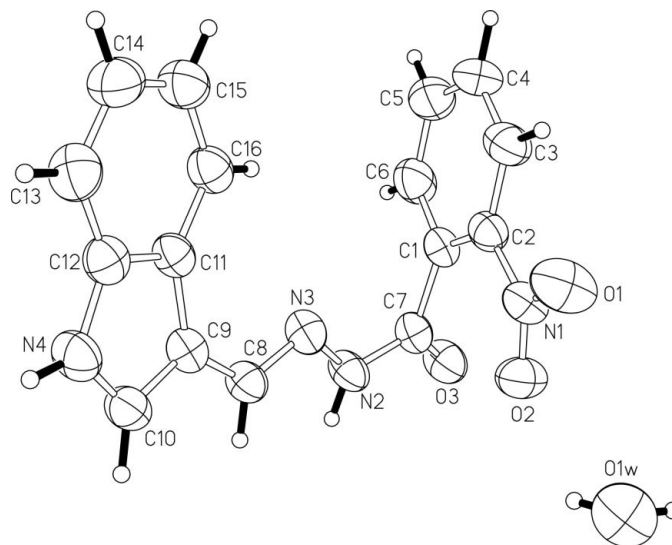


Figure 1
ORTEPII (Johnson, 1976) plot of (I). Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level and H atoms are shown as spheres of arbitrary radii.

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