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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 123$  K  
Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003$  Å  
 $R$  factor = 0.033  
 $wR$  factor = 0.081  
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## 3,4-Dichloro-1-nitrobenzene–1,4-dioxane (4/1)

The solvate structure of 3,4-dichloro-1-nitrobenzene with 1,4-dioxane,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_3\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}_2 \cdot 0.25\text{C}_4\text{H}_8\text{N}_2$ , is reported. The asymmetric unit comprises two independent 3,4-dichloro-1-nitrobenzene molecules and half of a 1,4-dioxane molecule, the solvent molecule being disposed about a centre of inversion. Double chains of 3,4-dichloro-1-nitrobenzene are linked by  $\text{Cl} \cdots \text{Cl}$  interactions and 1,4-dioxane molecules *via*  $\text{C}-\text{H} \cdots \text{O}$  hydrogen bonds into a two-dimensional sheet.

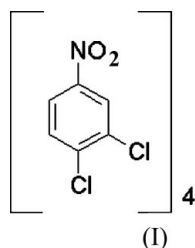
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## Comment

The title compound, (I), was produced during an automated parallel crystallization polymorph screen on 3,4-dichloro-nitrobenzene (3,4-DCNB). The sample was identified as a novel form using multi-sample X-ray powder diffraction analysis of all recrystallized samples (Florence *et al.*, 2003). Subsequent manual recrystallization from a saturated 1,4-dioxane solution by slow evaporation at 298 K yielded samples suitable for single-crystal X-ray analysis. Compound (I) crystallizes in the space group  $P\bar{1}$  with two molecules of 3,4-DCNB and one half-molecule of 1,4-dioxane (disposed about a centre of inversion) in the asymmetric unit (Fig. 1).



The crystal structure of (I) is characterized by double chains of 3,4-DCNB, linked by  $\text{Cl} \cdots \text{Cl}$  interactions and 1,4-dioxane

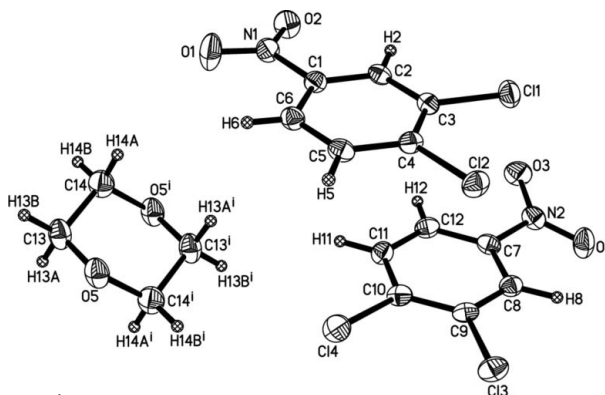
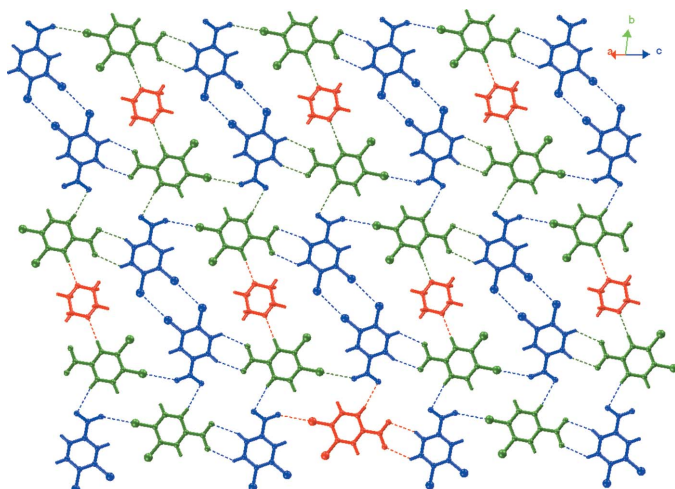


Figure 1

The molecular structure of (I), showing the numbering scheme used. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. [Symmetry code: (i)  $1 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z$ .]



**Figure 2**  
The two-dimensional network formed by (I), showing the intermolecular interactions involved (dashed lines). Colour key: 3,4-DCNB molecule 1 - green; 3,4-DCNB molecule 2 - blue; 1,4-dioxane - red.

molecules to give a two-dimensional sheet parallel to the (212) plane (Fig. 2). Details of the hydrogen-bonding interactions are given in Table 1. 3,4-DCNB molecules of type 2 (C7–C12) are connected to molecules of type 1 (C1–C6) *via* C–H...O hydrogen bonds and N–O...Cl interactions [ $\text{O4}\cdots\text{Cl2}^{\text{iv}} = 3.013(1) \text{ \AA}$  and  $\text{N2}–\text{O4}\cdots\text{Cl2}^{\text{iv}} = 146.9(1)^\circ$ ; symmetry code: (iv)  $2 - x, -y, -z$ ]. This chain is linked to another identical, but antiparallel, chain by a second set of C–H...O hydrogen bonds. These double chains are joined by Cl...Cl interactions through the type 2 molecules [ $\text{Cl3}\cdots\text{Cl4}^{\text{v}} = \text{Cl4}\cdots\text{Cl3}^{\text{v}} = 3.480(1) \text{ \AA}$  and  $\text{C9}–\text{Cl3}\cdots\text{Cl4}^{\text{v}} = \text{C10}–\text{Cl4}\cdots\text{Cl3}^{\text{v}} = 160.3(1)^\circ$ ; symmetry code: (v)  $2 - x, 1 - y, -z$ ], while the type 1 molecules are linked *via* the 1,4-dioxane solvent molecules by C–H...O hydrogen bonds, thereby forming a two-dimensional sheet. These sheets stack parallel to the (212) plane in an *ABAB* fashion (Fig. 3).

## Experimental

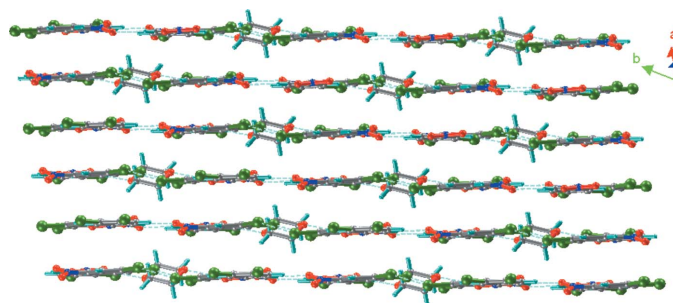
A single crystal of the title compound was obtained by recrystallization from a 1,4-dioxane solution by slow evaporation at 298 K.

### Crystal data

$\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}_2 \cdot 0.25\text{C}_4\text{H}_8\text{N}_2$	$Z = 4$
$M_r = 214.02$	$D_x = 1.669 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
Triclinic, $P\bar{1}$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$a = 7.3850(3) \text{ \AA}$	Cell parameters from 3895
$b = 9.7359(3) \text{ \AA}$	reflections
$c = 13.7218(5) \text{ \AA}$	$\theta = 1.0\text{--}27.9^\circ$
$\alpha = 69.347(2)^\circ$	$\mu = 0.72 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\beta = 87.209(2)^\circ$	$T = 123(2) \text{ K}$
$\gamma = 67.945(2)^\circ$	Rod, colourless
$V = 851.63(5) \text{ \AA}^3$	$0.60 \times 0.20 \times 0.18 \text{ mm}$

### Data collection

Nonius KappaCCD diffractometer	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.047$
$\omega$ and $\varphi$ scans	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.8^\circ$
Absorption correction: none	$h = -9 \rightarrow 9$
15060 measured reflections	$k = -12 \rightarrow 12$
4003 independent reflections	$l = -17 \rightarrow 17$
3176 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$	



**Figure 3**  
Packing diagram showing the stacking of the sheets.

### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.033$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.081$   
 $S = 1.04$   
 4003 reflections  
 266 parameters  
 All H-atom parameters refined

$$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0337P)^2 + 0.3147P]$$

where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.27 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.28 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

**Table 1**

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

$D\text{--}H\cdots A$	$D\text{--}H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D\text{--}H\cdots A$
$\text{C12--H12}\cdots\text{O1}^{\text{i}}$	0.93 (2)	2.51 (2)	3.396 (2)	158 (2)
$\text{C6--H6}\cdots\text{O3}^{\text{ii}}$	0.91 (2)	2.55 (2)	3.452 (2)	169 (2)
$\text{C2--H2}\cdots\text{O5}^{\text{iii}}$	0.95 (2)	2.39 (2)	3.325 (2)	168 (2)

Symmetry codes: (i)  $-x + 1, -y, -z + 1$ ; (ii)  $x - 1, y + 1, z$ ; (iii)  $x, y - 1, z$ .

The H atoms were refined without constraint. The range of C–H bond distances is 0.91 (2)–1.01 (2)  $\text{\AA}$ .

Data collection: *COLLECT* (Hooft, 1988) and *DENZO* (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997); cell refinement: *DENZO* and *COLLECT*; data reduction: *DENZO*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Bruker, 2000) and *OLEX* (Dolomanov *et al.*, 2003); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97* and *PLATON* (Spek 2003).

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