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## Key indicators

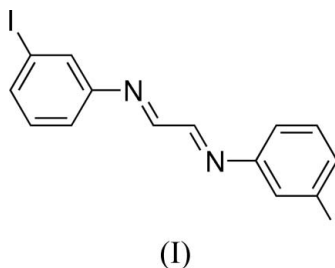
Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 193$  K  
Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003$  Å  
 $R$  factor = 0.021  
 $wR$  factor = 0.056  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 20.0For details of how these key indicators were  
automatically derived from the article, see  
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.In the crystal structure of the title compound,  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{10}\text{I}_2\text{N}_2$ , the molecule lies on a crystallographic inversion center, and hence the two imine groups are mutually *trans*.

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## Comment

Molecules containing the 1,4-diaza-1,3-butadiene skeleton are interesting because of their versatile coordination behavior and the properties of their metal complexes (van Koten & Vrieze, 1982). The central diimine group of the title compound, (I), is planar. The angle between the planes of the diimine group and each benzene ring is  $7.4(3)^\circ$ .

## Experimental

The title compound was prepared by the reaction of glyoxal in water with 2 equivalents of 3-iodoaniline in propan-1-ol at room temperature (Kliegman & Barnes, 1970). The product was recrystallized from diethyl ether solution at room temperature. Single crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction were grown at room temperature by evaporation of a tetrahydrofuran solution. Spectroscopic analysis:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta$ , p.p.m.): 8.30 (*s*, 2H), 7.66–7.63 (*m*, 4H), 7.24 (*s*, 2H), 7.17 (*t*, 2H). HRMS calculated for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{10}\text{I}_2\text{N}_2$ : 459.8933; found: 459.8933.

## Crystal data

 $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{10}\text{I}_2\text{N}_2$   
 $M_r = 460.04$   
Monoclinic,  $C2/c$   
 $a = 16.262(4)$  Å  
 $b = 4.7074(11)$  Å  
 $c = 18.708(4)$  Å  
 $\beta = 98.829(4)^\circ$   
 $V = 1415.2(6)$  Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 4$  $D_x = 2.159$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>  
Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
Cell parameters from 879  
reflections  
 $\theta = 2.6\text{--}28.3^\circ$   
 $\mu = 4.43$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 193(2)$  K  
Tabular, yellow  
 $0.34 \times 0.24 \times 0.06$  mm

## Data collection

Siemens SMART/Platform CCD  
area-detector diffractometer  
 $\omega$  scans  
Absorption correction: integration  
(*XPREP* in *SHELXTL*; Bruker,  
2001)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.295$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.771$   
6991 measured reflections1760 independent reflections  
1607 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.022$   
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 28.3^\circ$   
 $h = -21 \rightarrow 21$   
 $k = -6 \rightarrow 6$   
 $l = -24 \rightarrow 24$

Refinement

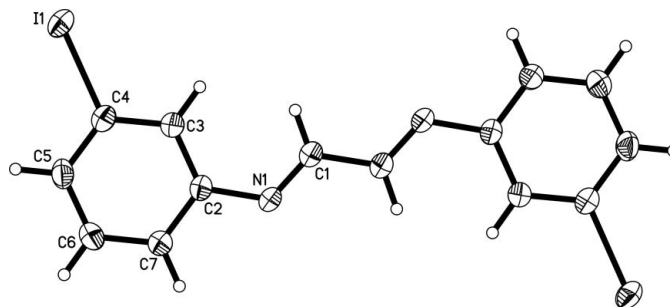
Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.021$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.056$   
 $S = 1.06$   
 1760 reflections  
 88 parameters  
 H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0295P)^2 + 1.6495P]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.72 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.79 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$   
 Extinction correction: *SHELXTL* (Bruker, 2001)  
 Extinction coefficient: 0.0047 (2)

H atoms were included as riding idealized contributors, with C–H = 0.95 Å and  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ .

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2001); cell refinement: *SAINTE* (Bruker, 2001); data reduction: *SAINTE*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXTL* (Bruker, 2001); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXTL*; molecular graphics: *SHELXTL*; software used to prepare material for publication: *XCIF* (Bruker, 2001).

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**Figure 1**  
 A plot of (I), with 50% probability displacement ellipsoids. H atoms are shown as small circles of arbitrary size. Unlabeled atoms are related to labeled atoms by the symmetry operator  $(-x, 1 - y, 1 - z)$ .

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