

4-(2-Nitrovinyl)-2,3,6,7-tetrahydrobenzo-  
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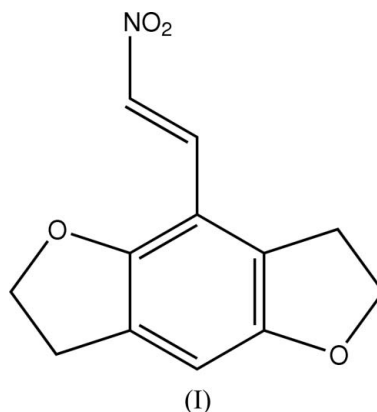
## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 296$  K  
Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003$  Å  
 $R$  factor = 0.045  
 $wR$  factor = 0.102  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 15.5For details of how these key indicators were  
automatically derived from the article, see  
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.

In the structure of the title compound,  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_4$ , the two furan rings, one to a greater degree than the other, adopt envelope conformations and are twisted slightly relative to the benzene ring. The olefinic bond displays a *trans* configuration.

## Comment

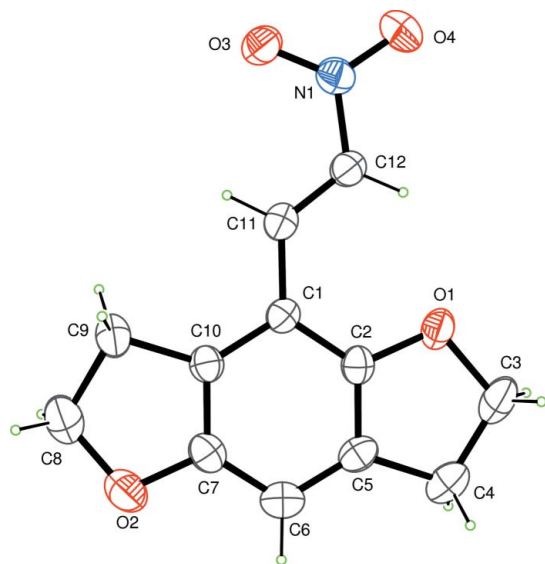
Dihydrofurans are an important class of pharmacophore that are observed in many therapeutic agents. They are versatile intermediates for the synthesis of complex natural products (Dean, 1982). All the bond lengths and bond angles of the title compound lie within their expected ranges, and are comparable to those in a related compound (Gu *et al.*, 2005). The two dihydrofuran rings adopt envelope conformations and, excluding the C atoms forming the flaps of the envelopes (C3 and C8), are essentially planar. The flap atoms C3 and C8 deviate from the mean planes through the other four atoms by 0.089 (4) and 0.273 (4) Å, respectively. These two mean planes (C4–C5–C2–O1 and C9–C10–C7–O2) are twisted slightly out of the benzene ring plane, forming dihedral angles of 1.60 (11) and 2.04 (9)° respectively. The olefinic bond in the molecule displays a *trans* configuration and is coplanar with the benzene ring.



## Experimental

4-Formyl-2,3,6,7-tetrahydrobenzo[1,2-*b*;4,5-*b'*]difuran (3.2 g, 17 mmol) and ammonium acetate (1.3 g, 17 mmol) were dissolved in nitromethane (20 ml) under an  $\text{N}_2$  atmosphere. The mixture was refluxed for 1 h and the nitromethane was then removed under reduced pressure. The solid residue was extracted with  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  and water, dried with anhydrous  $\text{MgSO}_4$ , and recrystallized from methanol to obtain 3.4 g (yield 90%) of the title compound (Monte *et al.*, 1996). It was further recrystallized from ethanol, giving red crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction.

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**Figure 1**  
A view of (1). Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 40% probability level and H atoms are shown as small circles of arbitrary radii.

*Crystal data*

$C_{12}H_{11}NO_4$	$D_x = 1.446 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$M_r = 233.22$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Monoclinic, $P2_1/n$	Cell parameters from 5880 reflections
$a = 10.220 (9) \text{ \AA}$	$\theta = 3.5\text{--}27.6^\circ$
$b = 9.204 (6) \text{ \AA}$	$\mu = 0.11 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$c = 11.386 (7) \text{ \AA}$	$T = 296 (1) \text{ K}$
$\beta = 90.08 (3)^\circ$	Prism, red
$V = 1071.0 (13) \text{ \AA}^3$	$0.30 \times 0.20 \times 0.10 \text{ mm}$
$Z = 4$	

*Data collection*

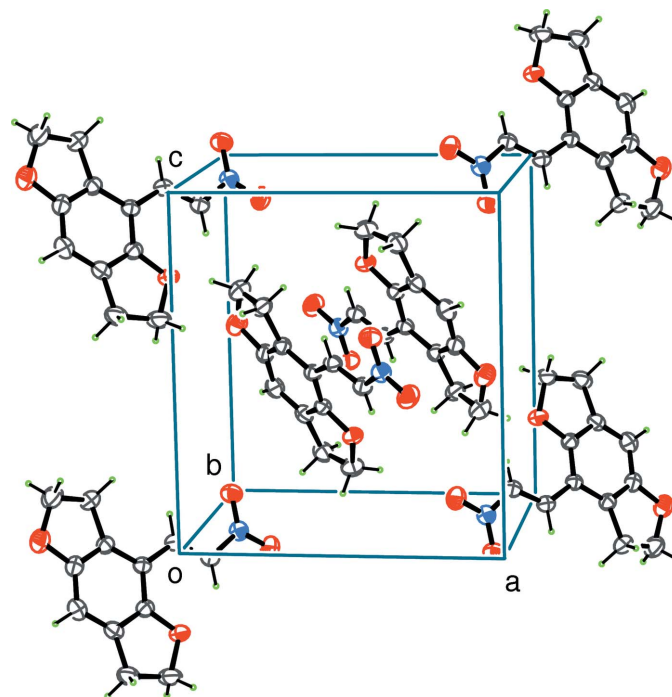
Rigaku R-Axis RAPID diffractometer	949 reflections with $F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)$
$\omega$ scans	$R_{int} = 0.048$
Absorption correction: none	$\theta_{max} = 27.5^\circ$
9923 measured reflections	$h = -13 \rightarrow 13$
2396 independent reflections	$k = -11 \rightarrow 11$
	$l = -14 \rightarrow 13$

*Refinement*

Refinement on $F^2$	$w = 1/[0.0001F_o^2 + 0.92\sigma(F_o^2)]/(4F_o^2)$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.045$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$
$wR(F^2) = 0.102$	$\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.40 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
$S = 1.00$	$\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.36 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
2396 reflections	Extinction correction: Larson (1970)
155 parameters	Extinction coefficient: 161 (15)
H-atom parameters constrained	

**Table 1**  
Selected bond lengths ( $\text{\AA}$ ).

O1—C2	1.382 (2)	O2—C8	1.450 (3)
O1—C3	1.471 (2)	N1—C12	1.444 (2)
O2—C7	1.378 (2)	C1—C2	1.405 (2)



**Figure 2**  
The molecular packing of (1).

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

Data collection: *PROCESS-AUTO* (Rigaku, 1998); cell refinement: *PROCESS-AUTO*; data reduction: *CrystalStructure* (Rigaku/MSK, 2004); program(s) used to solve structure: *SIR97* (Altomare *et al.*, 1999); program(s) used to refine structure: *CRYSTALS* (Betteridge *et al.*, 2003); molecular graphics: *ORTEP-3 for Windows* (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *CrystalStructure*.

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