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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 298$  K  
Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.006$  Å  
 $R$  factor = 0.100  
 $wR$  factor = 0.183  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 9.6For details of how these key indicators were  
automatically derived from the article, see  
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.1-(4-Aminophenyl)ethanone isonicotinoyl-  
hydrazone

The title molecule,  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_4\text{O}$ , adopts a *trans* configuration with respect to the  $\text{C}=\text{N}$  double bond. The dihedral angle between the two rings is  $73.1(4)^\circ$ . The crystal structure is stabilized by intermolecular  $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$  and  $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  hydrogen bonds which link the molecules into a chain along the  $c$  axis.

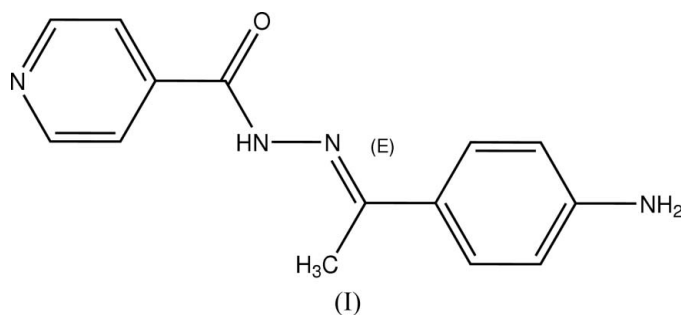
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## Comment

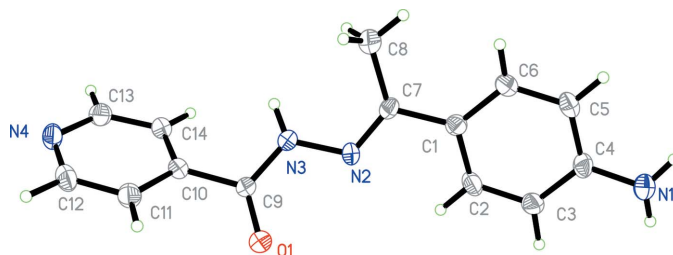
The background to this study is described in the first paper of this series (Xie *et al.*, 2006).



In the title compound, (I) (Fig. 1), the  $\text{C}7=\text{N}2$  bond,  $1.277(5)$  Å, and the  $\text{C}9-\text{N}3$  bond,  $1.340(5)$  Å, are both shorter than normal because of conjugation effects. All other bond lengths are within normal ranges (Allen *et al.*, 1987). The dihedral angle between the benzene and pyridine rings [ $73.1(4)^\circ$ ] is significantly larger than normal due to the steric effect of the  $\text{C}8$  methyl substituent. The structure of (I) is stabilized by intermolecular  $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$  and  $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  hydrogen bonds, forming chains along the  $c$  axis (Table 1 and Fig. 2).

## Experimental

1-(4-Aminophenyl)ethanone (0.2 mmol, 27 mg) and isonicotinohydrazide (0.2 mmol, 27.4 mg) were dissolved in methanol (10 ml). The



**Figure 1**  
The structure of (I), showing 30% probability displacement ellipsoids and the atom-numbering scheme.

mixture was stirred at room temperature for 10 min. to give a clear yellow solution. The solution was set aside for 8 d to allow slow evaporation of the solvent. Large colourless block-shaped crystals separated; these were collected and washed three times with water.

Crystal data

$C_{14}H_{14}N_4O$   
 $M_r = 254.29$   
 Monoclinic,  $P2_1/n$   
 $a = 7.9137(15) \text{ \AA}$   
 $b = 5.3466(10) \text{ \AA}$   
 $c = 29.650(6) \text{ \AA}$   
 $\beta = 95.415(3)^\circ$   
 $V = 1248.9(4) \text{ \AA}^3$   
 $Z = 4$

$D_x = 1.352 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$   
 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 Cell parameters from 1324 reflections  
 $\theta = 5.2\text{--}53.9^\circ$   
 $\mu = 0.09 \text{ mm}^{-1}$   
 $T = 298(2) \text{ K}$   
 Block, colourless  
 $0.30 \times 0.20 \times 0.20 \text{ mm}$

Data collection

Bruker SMART APEX area-detector diffractometer  
 $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 2002)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.974, T_{\max} = 0.982$   
 5756 measured reflections

2193 independent reflections  
 1936 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.043$   
 $\theta_{\max} = 25.0^\circ$   
 $h = -9 \rightarrow 9$   
 $k = -6 \rightarrow 6$   
 $l = -29 \rightarrow 35$

Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.100$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.183$   
 $S = 1.33$   
 2193 reflections  
 228 parameters  
 All H-atom parameters refined

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.034P)^2 + 1.5639P]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.31 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.23 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

Table 1  
 Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\text{\AA}, ^\circ$ ).

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
$N1-H1A\cdots N4^i$	0.84 (5)	2.20 (5)	3.018 (6)	164 (4)
$N3-H3A\cdots O1^{ii}$	0.85 (4)	2.48 (4)	3.320 (5)	169 (3)

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

All H atoms were initially located in a difference Fourier map and were refined freely with isotropic displacement parameters, giving

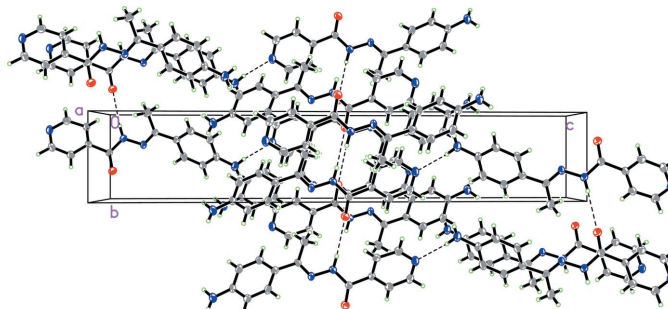


Figure 2  
 The crystal packing of (I), viewed along the  $a$  axis. Dashed lines indicate intermolecular hydrogen bonds.

N—H distances in the range 0.84 (5) to 0.87 (5) and C—H distances in the range 0.89 (5) to 1.01 (4)  $\text{\AA}$ .

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 2002); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2002); 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, 2000); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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