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#### **Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 294 KMean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.002 \text{ Å}$  R factor = 0.042 wR factor = 0.120 Data-to-parameter ratio = 18.0

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# 4-[(4-Methoxybenzylidene)amino]-1,5dimethyl-2-phenyl-1*H*-pyrazol-3(2*H*)-one

The crystal structure of the title compound,  $C_{19}H_{19}N_3O_2$ , shows the molecule to be essentially planar with the exception of the terminal phenyl group. Molecules are associated *via* intermolecular  $C-H\cdots O$  hydrogen bonds. Received 23 November 2005 Accepted 14 December 2005 Online 21 December 2005

## Comment

Metal complexes of Schiff bases have attracted much attention because they can be utilized as model compounds for the active centres in various enzymes and proteins (Kahwa *et al.*, 1986; Santos *et al.*, 2001). Important to the understanding of the coordination potential of these ligands is a knowledge of the ligand structure. Accordingly, the synthesis and crystal structures of Schiff base ligands derived from 4-aminoantipyrine, such as thenoyltrifluoroacetone (Yu *et al.*, 2002), 4hydroxy-3-methoxybenzaldehyde (Diao *et al.*, 2005) and 2,4dichlorobenzaldehyde (Jing *et al.*, 2005), have been reported.



In the molecular structure of the related title compound, (I) (Fig. 1), the expected geometric parameters are observed (Table 1). The central chromophore containing the C9–C11/N1–N3/O2 atoms is planar, with an r.m.s. deviation for fitted atoms of 0.038 (2) Å; the 4-methoxybenzylidene group (C1–C8/O1) is also planar, with an r.m.s. deviation of 0.027 (5) Å. The dihedral angles formed between these planes and that



**Figure 1** The molecular structure of (I), with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 30% probability level.

© 2006 International Union of Crystallography Printed in Great Britain – all rights reserved through the C14–C19 phenyl ring are 48.24 (5) and 9.40 (6)°, respectively. Intramolecular C–H···O hydrogen bonding stabilizes the molecular conformation, while intermolecular C–H···O hydrogen bonding stabilizes the crystal structure; geometric details are given in Table 2. The molecules associate in a zigzag pattern along the *c* axis, forming a supramolecular structure, as illustrated in Fig. 2.

## **Experimental**

An anhydrous ethanol solution of 4-methoxybenzaldehyde (1.36 g, 10 mmol) was added to an anhydrous ethanol solution of 4-amino-1,5-dimethyl-2-phenyl-1,2-dihydropyrazol-3-one (2.03 g, 10 mmol) and the mixture was stirred at 350 K for 8 h under N<sub>2</sub>, whereupon a yellow solution appeared. The solvent was removed and the residue recrystallized from *N*,*N*-dimethylformamide. The product was isolated and then dried *in vacuo* to give pure (I) in 79% yield. Yellow single crystals suitable for X-ray analysis were obtained by slow evaporation of an *N*,*N*-dimethylformamide solution of (I).

#### Crystal data

$C_{19}H_{19}N_3O_2$	$D_x = 1.278 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$M_r = 321.37$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$	Cell parameters from 2518
a = 7.1407 (10)  Å	reflections
b = 24.864 (3) Å	$\theta = 2.3-23.6^{\circ}$
c = 9.4733 (13) Å	$\mu = 0.09 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\beta = 96.700 \ (2)^{\circ}$	T = 294 (2) K
$V = 1670.4 (4) \text{ Å}^3$	Block, yellow
Z = 4	$0.20 \times 0.16 \times 0.14 \text{ mm}$
Data collection	
Bruker SMART CCD area-detector	3949 independent reflections
diffractometer	2677 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

diffractometer  $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SADABS*; Sheldrick, 1996)  $T_{min} = 0.980, T_{max} = 0.988$ 11145 measured reflections

#### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_0^2) + (0.0574P)^2]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.042$	+ 0.1906P]
$wR(F^2) = 0.120$	where $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 1.04	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$
3949 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.19 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
220 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.20 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
H-atom parameters constrained	

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.022$ 

 $\theta_{\rm max} = 27.8^{\circ}$ 

 $h = -9 \rightarrow 8$ 

 $k = -31 \rightarrow 32$ 

 $l = -12 \rightarrow 11$ 

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Selected	geometric	parameters	(Å,	°).	
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O1-C1	1.422 (2)	N2-C10	1.3589 (18)
O1-C4	1.3684 (18)	N2-C13	1.4620 (17)
O2-C11	1.2336 (16)	N3-C11	1.4065 (17)
N1-C8	1.2754 (18)	N3-C14	1.4181 (17)
N1-C9	1.3920 (17)	C7-C8	1.460 (2)
N2-N3	1.4040 (15)	C9-C11	1.436 (2)
C1-O1-C4	117.94 (13)	N2-N3-C14	120.21 (11)
C8-N1-C9	120.85 (13)	C11-N3-C14	122.99 (11)
N3-N2-C10	107.12 (10)	N1-C8-C7	121.58 (14)
N3-N2-C13	117.60 (11)	O2-C11-N3	122.87 (13)
C10-N2-C13	123.72 (12)	O2-C11-C9	131.99 (13)
N2-N3-C11	108.88 (11)		. ,



Figure 2	
Intermolecular hydrogen-bonding interactions (dashed lines) in (I)	

Table 2	
Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).	

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
$C8-H8\cdots O2$ $C5-H5\cdots O2^{i}$ $C12-H12A\cdots O2^{ii}$	0.93 0.93 0.96	2.34 2.56 2.43	3.0310 (18) 3.2838 (19) 3.3815 (19)	131 135 172

Symmetry codes: (i) -x, -y + 1, -z + 2; (ii) x + 1, y, z.

The H atoms were included in calculated positions and refined using a riding model, with aromatic C-H = 0.93 Å, methyl C-H = 0.96 Å and N-H = 0.96 Å, and with  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C,N)$  for aromatic and N-bound H atoms, and  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.5U_{eq}(C)$  for methyl H atoms.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 1999); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 1999); 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, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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