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Single-crystal X-ray study
 $T = 294$ K
Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.004$ Å
 R factor = 0.046
 wR factor = 0.127
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2,6-Diamino-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1,4-dihydro- pyridine-3,5-dicarbonitrile *N,N*-dimethylformamide solvate

The title compound, $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{N}_5\text{O}\cdot\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{NO}$, was synthesized by the reaction of 4-methoxybenzaldehyde with malononitrile and ammonium acetate under microwave irradiation. The dihedral angle between the pyridine and benzene planes is $56.07(8)^\circ$.

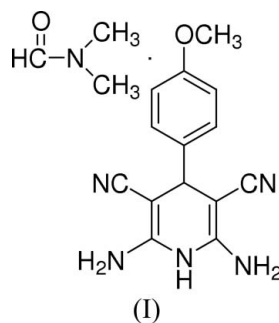
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Comment

3,5-Dicyanopyridine derivatives exhibit a wide range of bioactivities, such as antifungal, insecticidal, herbicidal, mitocidal, nematocidal and antimicrobial activity (Gante & Lust, 1971). Some substituted 3,5-dicyanopyridines have recently been reported to exhibit a high conductance-type calcium-activated K-channel opening effect (Hirochika *et al.*, 2003) and to be adenosine receptor-selective ligands (Rosentreter *et al.*, 2002), which are useful in the treatment of many diseases. More importantly, they are also versatile intermediates in organic synthesis (Castedo *et al.*, 1984). As a consequence, much attention has been paid to the synthesis of these derivatives during the past 50 years. We report here the crystal structure of the title compound, (I).

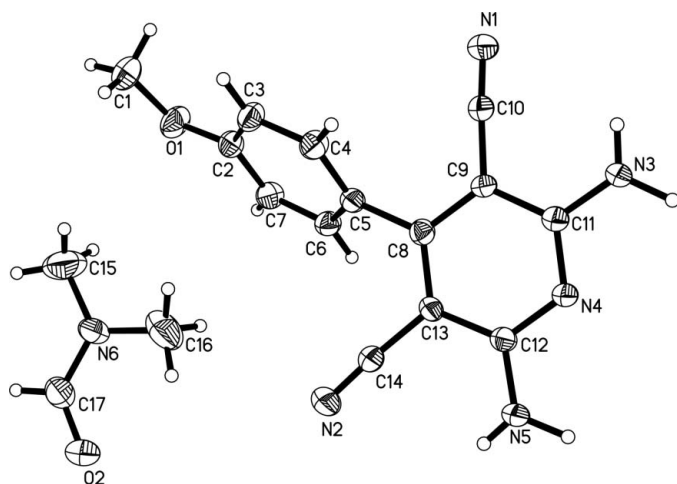


The 2,6-diamino-1,4-dihydropyridine-3,5-dicarbonitrile fragment of (I) (atoms C8–C14/N1–N5) is almost planar, with an r.m.s. deviation of 0.076 Å (Fig. 1). The dihedral angle between the pyridine and benzene planes is $56.07(8)^\circ$.

The crystal packing shows that intermolecular $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$, $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$, $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$ and $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$ hydrogen bonds (Table 1) form a three-dimensional network (Fig. 2).

Experimental

Compound (I) was prepared by the reaction of 4-methoxybenzaldehyde (1 mmol) with malononitrile (2 mmol) and ammonium acetate (1 mmol) under microwave irradiation for 4 min (yield 95%; m.p. 573 K). Single crystals of (I) suitable for X-ray diffraction were obtained by slow evaporation of an ethanol and *N,N*-dimethylformamide solution (5:1 *v/v*).

**Figure 1**

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

Crystal data
 $C_{14}H_{11}N_5O \cdot C_3H_7NO$
 $M_r = 338.37$
Triclinic, $P\bar{1}$
 $a = 6.9580$ (13) Å

 $b = 9.5297$ (18) Å

 $c = 14.695$ (3) Å

 $\alpha = 99.900$ (3)°

 $\beta = 102.505$ (3)°

 $\gamma = 106.527$ (3)°

 $V = 883.1$ (3) Å³
 $Z = 2$
 $D_x = 1.272$ Mg m⁻³
Mo $K\alpha$ radiation

Cell parameters from 1237

reflections

 $\theta = 2.3$ – 25.6 °

 $\mu = 0.09$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 294$ (2) K

Plate, colourless

 $0.22 \times 0.18 \times 0.06$ mm
Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer

 φ and ω scans

Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)

 $T_{\min} = 0.976$, $T_{\max} = 0.995$

4506 measured reflections

3087 independent reflections

1774 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.026$
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.0$ °

 $h = -6 \rightarrow 8$
 $k = -11 \rightarrow 11$
 $l = -14 \rightarrow 17$
RefinementRefinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.046$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.127$
 $S = 1.00$

3087 reflections

245 parameters

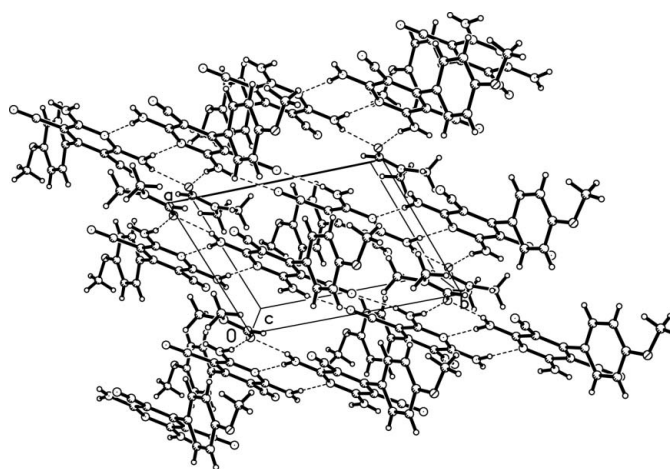
H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement

 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0527P)^2 + 0.1375P]$
where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.18$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.20$ e Å⁻³
Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-H \cdots A$	$D-H$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D-H \cdots A$
$N3-H3A \cdots O2^i$	0.88 (3)	2.07 (3)	2.846 (3)	147 (2)
$N3-H3B \cdots N4^{ii}$	1.00 (3)	2.04 (3)	3.033 (3)	168 (2)
$N5-H5A \cdots N2^{iii}$	0.79 (3)	2.45 (3)	3.195 (3)	158 (2)
$N5-H5B \cdots O2^{iii}$	0.98 (3)	2.13 (3)	3.083 (3)	166 (2)
$C6-H6A \cdots N1^{iv}$	0.93	2.59	3.506 (4)	171
$C7-H7A \cdots O1^v$	0.93	2.58	3.503 (4)	170
$C17-H17A \cdots N1^{vi}$	0.93	2.48	3.288 (4)	145

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

**Figure 2**

The molecular packing of (I), viewed approximately along the c axis. Dashed lines indicate hydrogen bonds.

The H atoms of the amino groups were located in a difference Fourier map and refined isotropically [$N-H = 0.79$ (3)– 1.00 (3) Å]. All other H atoms were placed in idealized positions and allowed to ride on their parent atoms, with C–H distances of 0.93 or 0.96 Å, and with $U_{\text{iso}}(H) = 1.5U_{\text{eq}}(C)$ for methyl H atoms and $1.2U_{\text{eq}}(C)$ for other H atoms.

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 1998); 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, 1999); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL.

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