

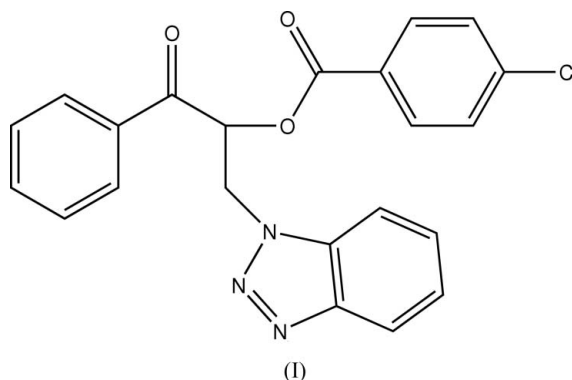
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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
 $T = 293\text{ K}$
Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003\text{ \AA}$
 R factor = 0.046
 wR factor = 0.116
Data-to-parameter ratio = 14.8For details of how these key indicators were
automatically derived from the article, see
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.2-(1*H*-1,2,3-Benzotriazol-1-ylmethyl)-
1-benzoyl ethyl 4-chlorobenzoateIn the title compound, $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{16}\text{ClN}_3\text{O}_3$, molecules are linked into chains along the c axis by $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$ hydrogen bonds, while other $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$ hydrogen bonds connect the chains into two-dimensional layers. The packing is further stabilized by $\pi-\pi$ interactions.Received 5 January 2006
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Comment

Benzotriazole derivatives have been found to exhibit a broad spectrum of pharmacological activities such as anti-inflammatory, antifungal, antitumor, antineoplastic and anti-depressant activities (Al-Soud *et al.*, 2003; Katarzyna *et al.*, 2004). As part of a search for new benzotriazole compounds with high bioactivity, the title compound, (I), was synthesized.

The bond lengths and angles in (I) show normal values (Allen *et al.*, 1987) and are comparable to those in the related compound 2-(1*H*-1,2,3-benzotriazol-1-ylmethyl)-1-benzoyl ethyl 4-ethylbenzoate (Wan *et al.*, 2005). The benzotriazole system is essentially planar, with a dihedral angle of $1.9(1)^\circ$ between the triazole ring (*A*, atoms N1–N3/C10/C15) and the benzene ring (*B*, atoms C10–C15). The dihedral angles between the mean planes of the benzotriazole system and rings *C* (atoms C1–C6) and *D* (atoms C17–C22) are $38.1(1)$ and $53.7(1)^\circ$, respectively. The dihedral angle between rings *C* and *D* is $88.9(1)^\circ$.

In the crystal structure, molecules of (I) are linked into chains along the c axis by $\text{C9}-\text{H9A}\cdots\text{O1}^{\text{ii}}$ and $\text{C11}-\text{H11A}\cdots\text{O1}^{\text{ii}}$ hydrogen bonds (see Table 2 for geometry values and symmetry codes). In addition, $\text{C3}-\text{H3B}\cdots\text{N3}^{\text{i}}$ interactions connect the chains into two-dimensional layers in the ac plane (Fig. 2). The packing is further stabilized by $\pi-\pi$ interactions involving the benzotriazole system and benzene ring *D*, the distances being $\text{Cg1}\cdots\text{Cg4}^{\text{iii}} = 3.570\text{ \AA}$ and $\text{Cg3}\cdots\text{Cg4}^{\text{iii}} = 3.654\text{ \AA}$ [Cg1 , Cg3 and Cg4 denote the centroids of the rings *A*, *B* and *D*, respectively; symmetry code: (iii) $x, \frac{3}{2} - y, z - \frac{1}{2}$].

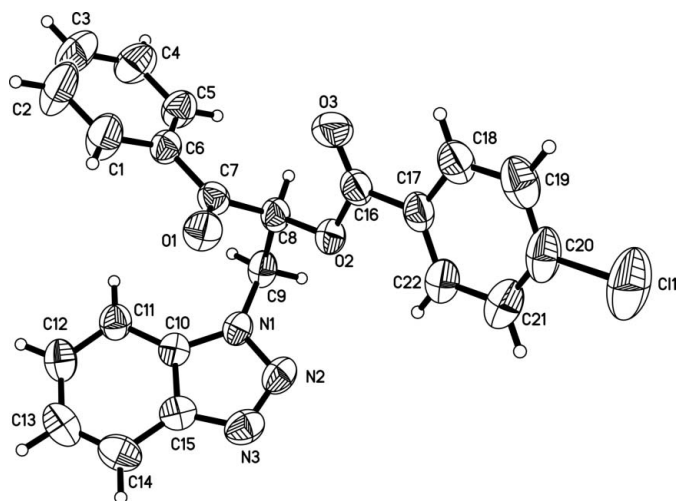


Figure 1
The molecular structure of (I), showing 50% probability displacement ellipsoids and the atom-numbering scheme.

Experimental

Bromine (3.2 g, 0.02 mol) was added dropwise to a solution of 3-(benzotriazol-1-yl)-1-phenylpropan-1-one (5.0 g, 0.02 mol) and sodium acetate (1.6 g, 0.02 mol) in acetic acid (50 ml). The reaction was allowed to proceed for 13 h. Water (50 ml) and chloroform (20 ml) were then added. The organic layer was washed successively with saturated sodium bicarbonate solution and brine, dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate and the chloroform solution filtered. It was cooled with ice-water and then an acetone solution (10 ml) of 4-chlorobenzoic acid (3.1 g, 0.02 mol) and triethylamine (2.8 ml) were added. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for about 2 h. The solution was then filtered and concentrated (yield 62%). Crystals of (I) were obtained by slow evaporation of an acetone–water (1:1 v/v) solution at room temperature over a period of one week.

Crystal data

$C_{22}H_{16}ClN_3O_3$
 $M_r = 405.83$
 Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$
 $a = 9.712$ (3) Å
 $b = 20.379$ (5) Å
 $c = 10.009$ (3) Å
 $\beta = 90.392$ (4)°
 $V = 1980.9$ (9) Å³
 $Z = 4$

$D_x = 1.361$ Mg m⁻³
 Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 Cell parameters from 2380 reflections
 $\theta = 2.3$ – 22.3 °
 $\mu = 0.22$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 293$ (2) K
 Column, colorless
 $0.28 \times 0.11 \times 0.09$ mm

Data collection

Siemens SMART 1000 CCD area-detector diffractometer
 ω scans
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)
 $T_{\min} = 0.941$, $T_{\max} = 0.967$
 11133 measured reflections

3885 independent reflections
 2719 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.027$
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 26.0$ °
 $h = -11 \rightarrow 10$
 $k = -25 \rightarrow 19$
 $l = -12 \rightarrow 12$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.046$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.116$
 $S = 1.02$
 3885 reflections
 262 parameters
 H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0474P)^2 + 0.3694P]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.25$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.30$ e Å⁻³

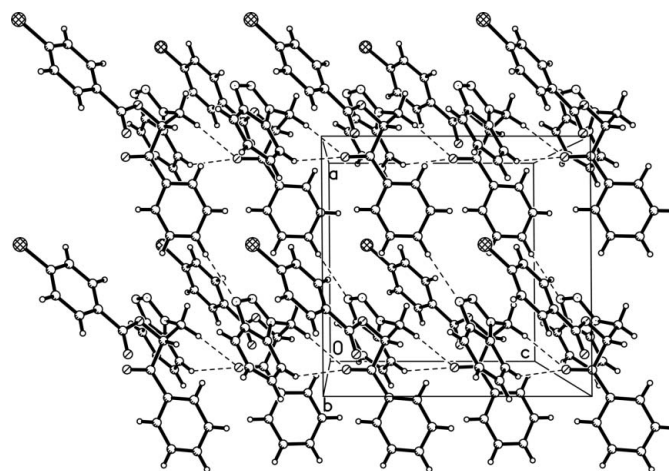


Figure 2
The two-dimensional layers of (I), viewed down the b axis. Dashed lines indicate C–H...O,N interactions.

Table 1

Selected bond lengths (Å).

C11–C20	1.743 (2)	O3–C16	1.202 (2)
O1–C7	1.218 (2)	C7–C8	1.527 (3)
O2–C16	1.357 (2)	C8–C9	1.514 (3)
O2–C8	1.436 (2)		

Table 2

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
C3–H3B...N3 ⁱ	0.93	2.58	3.506 (4)	175
C9–H9A...O1 ⁱⁱ	0.97	2.49	3.453 (3)	173
C11–H11A...O1 ⁱⁱ	0.93	2.52	3.316 (3)	143

Symmetry codes: (i) $x + 1, -y + \frac{3}{2}, z - \frac{1}{2}$; (ii) $x, -y + \frac{3}{2}, z - \frac{1}{2}$.

All H atoms were located in difference Fourier maps and constrained to ride on their parent atoms, with C–H distances in the range 0.93–0.98 Å and with $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$.

Data collection: SMART (Siemens, 1996); cell refinement: SAINT (Siemens, 1996); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXTL; molecular graphics: SHELXTL; software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL, PARST (Nardelli, 1995) and PLATON (Spek, 2003).

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