

## 3-(3-Bromophenyl)-1-phenylprop-2-en-1-one

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### Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study  
*T* = 100 K  
Mean  $\sigma(C-C)$  = 0.002 Å  
*R* factor = 0.030  
*wR* factor = 0.090  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 47.7

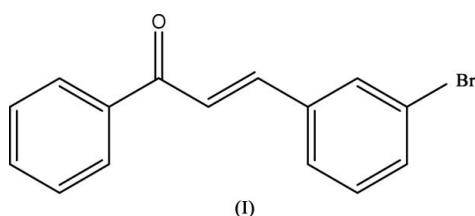
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The enone group and the benzene rings of the title compound, C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>11</sub>BrO, are each planar. The molecules are linked via C—H···O interactions into wave-like chains along the *c* axis and the chains are stacked along the *b* axis.

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### Comment

Chalcones show an impressive array of pharmacological activities, such as antiprotozoal (Nielsen *et al.*, 1998; Li *et al.*, 1995; Liu *et al.*, 2001), anti-inflammatory (Hsieh *et al.*, 1998), nitric oxide inhibition (Rojas *et al.*, 2002) and anticancer properties. Recently it has been noted that bromo-substituted derivatives of chalcones exhibit extremely high and fast non-linearity (Fichou *et al.*, 1988; Zhang *et al.*, 1990; Zhao *et al.*, 2000), and show preferences to crystallize as non-centrosymmetric structures. For this reason, they have been the objective of several experimental and theoretical studies, aimed mainly at the determination of their crystal structures (Sathiya Moorthi, Chinnakali, Nanjundan, Radhika *et al.*, 2005; Sathiya Moorthi, Chinnakali, Nanjundan, Santhi *et al.*, 2005; Sathiya Moorthi, Chinnakali, Nanjundan, Selvam *et al.*, 2005; Sathiya Moorthi, Chinnakali, Nanjundan, Unnithan *et al.*, 2005; Radha Krishna *et al.*, 2005; Uchida *et al.*, 1995). We report here the synthesis and crystal structure of the title compound, (I).



The bond lengths and angles are within normal ranges (Allen *et al.*, 1987) and similar to those observed in other comparable structures (Jeyabharathi *et al.*, 2002; Patil *et al.*, 2006; Ravishankar *et al.*, 2005; Sathiya Moorthi, Chinnakali, Nanjundan, Radhika *et al.*, 2005; Sathiya Moorthi, Chinnakali, Nanjundan, Santhi *et al.*, 2005; Sathiya Moorthi, Chinnakali, Nanjundan, Selvam *et al.*, 2005; Sathiya Moorthi, Chinnakali, Nanjundan, Unnithan *et al.*, 2005; Teh *et al.*, 2006). The short H5···H8 (2.28 Å) contact causes the bond angle C9—C10—C11 [123.08 (9)°] to deviate significantly from 120°. In addition, the short H8···H11 (2.14 Å) contact results in a slight widening of the C5—C6—C7 angle to 122.58 (9)°.

The molecule of (I) (Fig. 1) is approximately planar. The enone group (O1/C7—C9) and the two benzene rings, C1—C6 and C10—C15, are each planar with largest deviations of 0.023 (1), 0.008 (1) and 0.008 (1) Å for atoms C9, C4 and C10,

respectively. The enone group makes dihedral angles of 13.59 (6) and 12.22 (6) $^{\circ}$  with the C1–C6 and C10–C15 benzene rings, respectively. The dihedral angle between the two benzene rings is 3.95 (4) $^{\circ}$ .

In the crystal structure, atom O1 is involved in both intra- and intermolecular hydrogen bonds. Intermolecular C5–H5 $\cdots$ O1<sup>i</sup> (symmetry code as in Table 1) interactions link the molecules into wave-like chains along the *c* axis. The chains are stacked along the *b* axis. The intramolecular C7–H7 $\cdots$ O1 interaction generates an *S*(5) ring motif (Bernstein *et al.*, 1995).

## Experimental

Compound (I) was obtained by the condensation of 3-bromobenzaldehyde (0.01 mol) and acetophenone (0.01 mol) in ethanol (60 ml) in the presence of NaOH (2 ml, 30%). After stirring for 2 h, the contents of the flask were poured into ice-cold water and allowed to stand for 24 h. The resulting crude solid compound was collected by filtration, dried and recrystallized twice from acetone. Crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction study were grown by slow evaporation of an acetone solution over a period of 10 d.

### Crystal data



$M_r = 287.15$

Monoclinic,  $P2_1/c$

$a = 14.3238$  (2)  $\text{\AA}$

$b = 7.4913$  (1)  $\text{\AA}$

$c = 11.2786$  (2)  $\text{\AA}$

$\beta = 100.325$  (1) $^{\circ}$

$V = 1190.64$  (3)  $\text{\AA}^3$

$Z = 4$

$D_x = 1.602 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation

Cell parameters from 6943 reflections

$\theta = 1.5\text{--}40.0^{\circ}$

$\mu = 3.43 \text{ mm}^{-1}$

$T = 100.0$  (1) K

Block, colourless

0.75  $\times$  0.33  $\times$  0.30 mm

### Data collection

Bruker SMART APEX2 CCD area-detector diffractometer

$\omega$  scans

Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SADABS*; Bruker, 2005)

$T_{\min} = 0.065$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.357$

48289 measured reflections

7339 independent reflections

5499 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$

$R_{\text{int}} = 0.035$

$\theta_{\max} = 40.0^{\circ}$

$h = -25 \rightarrow 25$

$k = -13 \rightarrow 13$

$l = -20 \rightarrow 20$

### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.030$

$wR(F^2) = 0.090$

$S = 1.10$

7339 reflections

154 parameters

H-atom parameters constrained

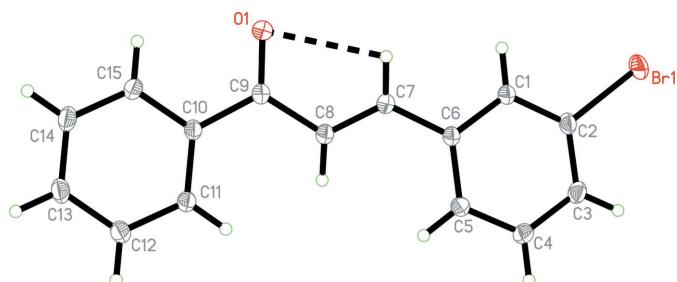
$$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0447P)^2 + 0.2439P]$$

where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.001$

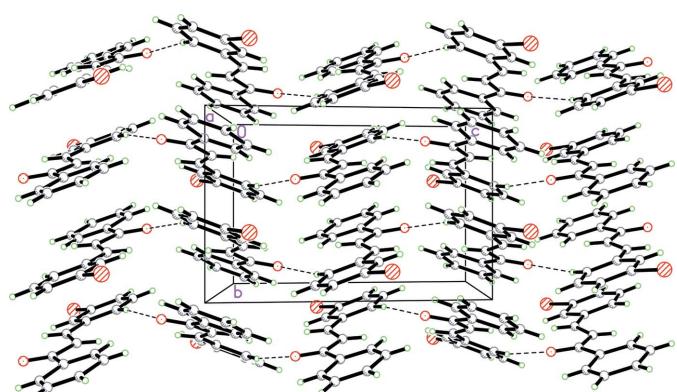
$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.71 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.74 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$



**Figure 1**

The structure of (I), showing 50% probability displacement ellipsoids and the atomic numbering. The dashed line indicates a hydrogen bond.



**Figure 2**

The crystal packing of (I), viewed approximately down the *a* axis. Hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines.

Data collection: *APEX2* (Bruker, 2005); cell refinement: *APEX2*; data reduction: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2005); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 1998); 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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**Table 1**  
Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^{\circ}$ ).

$D\text{--}H\cdots A$	$D\text{--}H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D\text{--}H\cdots A$
C7–H7 $\cdots$ O1	0.93	2.45	2.7909 (15)	102
C5–H5 $\cdots$ O1 <sup>i</sup>	0.93	2.50	3.4106 (15)	166

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

H atoms were placed in calculated positions, with a C–H distance of 0.93  $\text{\AA}$ . The  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H})$  values were constrained to be  $1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ .

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