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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 243 K Mean σ (C–C) = 0.002 Å R factor = 0.058 wR factor = 0.173 Data-to-parameter ratio = 20.8

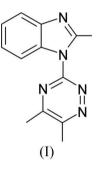
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1-(5,6-Dimethyl-1,2,4-triazin-3-yl)-2-methyl-1*H*-benzimidazole

In the title molecule, $C_{13}H_{13}N_5$, all bond lengths and angles show normal values. The molecular skeleton is almost planar; the mean planes of the benzimidazole and triazine rings make a dihedral angle of 1.28 (6)°. The crystal packing is stabilized by π - π interactions and weak intermolecular C-H···N hydrogen bonds.

Comment

In the search for correlation between the structure and reactivity of *N*-cyanoazole derivatives (Pan'kov *et al.*, 2001*a,b*), 2methyl-1*H*-benzimidazole-1-carbohydrazonamide has been synthesized by the reaction of 2-methyl-1-cyanobenzimidazole with hydrazine (Pan'kov *et al.*, 2001*a*). The title compound, (I) (Fig. 1), has been prepared by the reaction of 2-methyl-1*H*benzimidazole-1-carbohydrazonamide with diacetyl.



The bond lengths and angles in (I) are normal (Allen *et al.*, 1987). The triazine ring is almost planar, with an r.m.s. deviation of 0.014 (1) Å. The geometry of the triazine ring and the C–N distances indicate a donation of the N5 lone pair into the triazine π system. Furthermore, the benzimidazole and triazine rings in (I) are almost coplanar; the dihedral angle of 1.28 (6)° between the two least-squares planes suggests conjugation between the benzimidazole and triazine ring systems.

In the crystal structure, weak intermolecular C-H···N hydrogen bonds (Table 1) link the molecules into zigzag chains. Two adjacent molecules are paired *via* a π - π interaction, with a short distance of 3.533 (3) Å between the centroid of the triazine ring of one molecule and the centroid of the five-membered ring of another molecule. Both these interactions stabilize the crystal packing (Fig. 2).

Experimental

2-Methyl-1*H*-benzimidazole-1-carbohydrazonamide was prepared according to the procedure of Pan'kov *et al.* (2001*a*). 2-Methyl-1*H*-benzimidazole-1-carbohydrazonamide (5.7 mmol) and diacetyl

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(0.5 ml) were dissolved in propan-2-ol (10 ml). The mixture was boiled for 5–6 h and then concentrated to dryness. The solid was recrystallized from ethyl acetate (yield 95%; m.p. 420–421 K).

Z = 4

 $D_{\rm v} = 1.315 {\rm Mg m}^{-3}$

Mo $K\alpha$ radiation

Prism, colourless

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.024$ $\theta_{\rm max} = 30.0^{\circ}$

 $0.60 \times 0.20 \times 0.20$ mm

9157 measured reflections

3459 independent reflections

2213 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

H-atom parameters constrained

 $w = 1/[\sigma^{2}(F_{o}^{2}) + (0.0999P)^{2}]$ where $P = (F_{o}^{2} + 2F_{c}^{2})/3$

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

 $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.32 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$

 $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.24 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

 $\mu = 0.09 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 243 (2) K

Crystal data

 $\begin{array}{l} C_{13}H_{13}N_5\\ M_r = 239.28\\ Monoclinic, P2_1/n\\ a = 7.412 \ (4) \ \mathring{A}\\ b = 13.163 \ (7) \ \mathring{A}\\ c = 12.499 \ (7) \ \mathring{A}\\ \beta = 97.701 \ (11)^\circ\\ V = 1208.4 \ (11) \ \mathring{A}^3 \end{array}$

Data collection

Bruker SMART 1000 CCD areadetector diffractometer φ and ω scans Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SADABS*; Sheldrick, 1998) $T_{\min} = 0.951, T_{\max} = 0.983$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.058$ $wR(F^2) = 0.173$ S = 1.073459 reflections 166 parameters

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

| $D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$ | D-H | $H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$ |
|-----------------------------|-------|-------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|
| $C2-H1\cdots N3^i$ | 0.93 | 2.60 | 3.423 (2) | 148 |
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Symmetry code: (i) $x - \frac{1}{2}, -y - \frac{1}{2}, z - \frac{1}{2}$.

All H atoms were located in a difference map and refined as riding, with C-H = 0.98 (CH₃) or 0.93 Å (CH), and with $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 1998); cell refinement: *SAINT-Plus* (Bruker, 1998); data reduction: *SAINT-Plus*; 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*.

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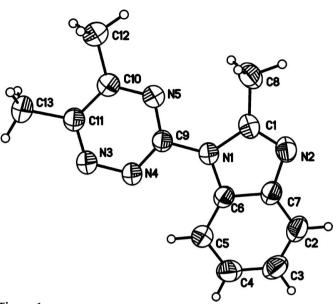


Figure 1

The molecular structure of (I), with the atomic numbering. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.

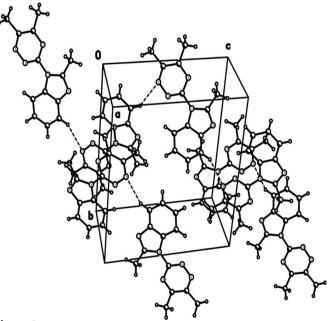


Figure 2

The crystal packing in (I). Hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines.

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