

3-(3*H*-Benzotriazol-1-yl)-1-(2,5-dichlorophenyl)-2-oxopropyl nicotinate

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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study

$T = 293\text{ K}$

Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.006\text{ \AA}$

$R$  factor = 0.070

$wR$  factor = 0.171

Data-to-parameter ratio = 14.4

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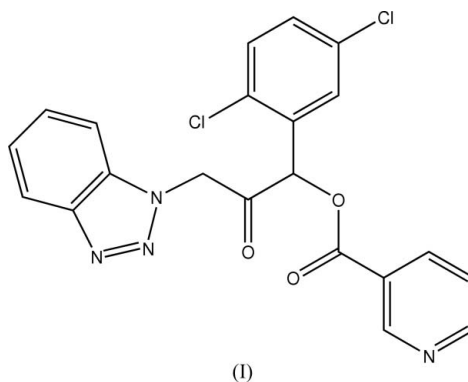
Molecules of the title compound,  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{14}\text{Cl}_2\text{N}_4\text{O}_3$ , are linked into chains along the  $b$  axis by intermolecular  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  hydrogen bonds.  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$  interactions connect these chains into a two-dimensional layer. The packing is further stabilized by  $\pi-\pi$  interactions involving the triazole rings.

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## Comment

We have recently reported the structure of 2-(1*H*-1,2,3-benzotriazol-1-ylmethyl)-1-benzoyl ethyl 4-chlorobenzoate, (II) (Wan *et al.*, 2006). As part of our ongoing studies of triazole derivatives, the title compound, (I), was synthesized and its structure is reported here.

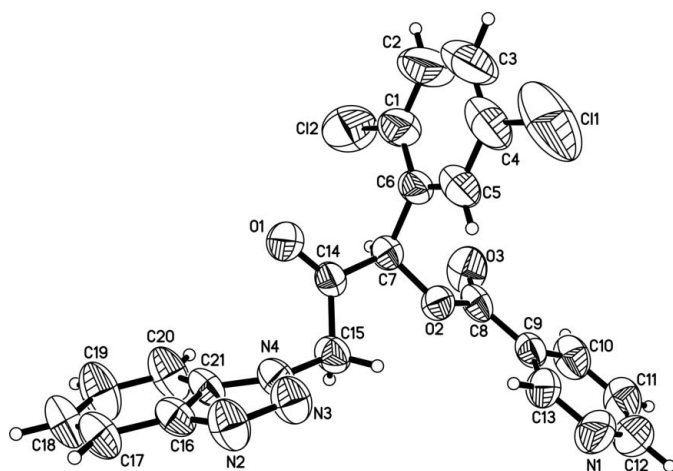


All bond lengths and angles are within normal ranges (Allen *et al.*, 1987) and are comparable with those in the related compound, (II). The benzotriazole system is essentially planar, with a dihedral angle of  $0.8(2)^\circ$  between the triazole (N2–N4/C16/C21) and benzene (C16–C21) rings. The mean plane of the benzotriazole group makes dihedral angles of  $44.38(1)$  and  $66.90(2)^\circ$  with the pyridine (N1/C10–C14) and (C1–C6) benzene rings, respectively. The dihedral angle between the planes of the latter two aromatic rings is  $81.0(2)^\circ$ .

In the crystal structure, molecules are linked into chains along the  $b$  axis by intermolecular  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  hydrogen bonds.  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$  interactions connect the chains into a two-dimensional layer (Table 1 and Fig. 2). The packing is further stabilized by  $\pi-\pi$  interactions involving the triazole rings:  $\text{Cg}1\cdots\text{Cg}1^i = 3.494\text{ \AA}$  [symmetry code: (i)  $3 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z$ ; Cg1 is the centroid of the triazole ring].

## Experimental

The title compound was prepared according to the literature method of Wan *et al.* (2006). Single crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction were obtained by slow evaporation of an ethyl acetate solution at room temperature over a period of one week.



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

#### Crystal data

$C_{21}H_{14}Cl_2N_4O_3$	$V = 1015.2 (4) \text{ \AA}^3$
$M_r = 441.26$	$Z = 2$
Triclinic, $P\bar{1}$	$D_x = 1.444 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$a = 6.1578 (14) \text{ \AA}$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$b = 10.779 (3) \text{ \AA}$	$\mu = 0.35 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$c = 16.166 (4) \text{ \AA}$	$T = 293 (2) \text{ K}$
$\alpha = 105.048 (4)^\circ$	Column, colourless
$\beta = 93.677 (4)^\circ$	$0.36 \times 0.12 \times 0.11 \text{ mm}$
$\gamma = 99.606 (4)^\circ$	

#### Data collection

Siemens SMART 1000 CCD area-detector diffractometer	5721 measured reflections
$\omega$ scans	3902 independent reflections
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)	1932 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
$T_{\min} = 0.884$ , $T_{\max} = 0.962$	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.025$
	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 26.1^\circ$

#### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0582P)^2 + 0.3295P]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.070$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$wR(F^2) = 0.171$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$
$S = 1.00$	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.28 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
3902 reflections	$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.26 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
271 parameters	
H-atom parameters constrained	

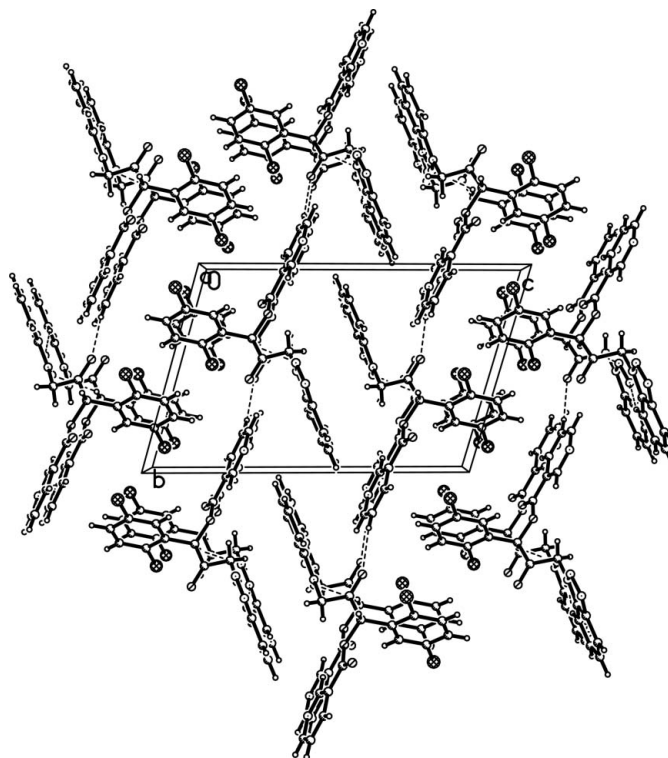
**Table 1**

Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ ).

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
$C7-H7A\cdots N3^i$	0.98	2.59	3.327 (5)	132
$C11-H11A\cdots O1^ii$	0.93	2.51	3.427 (6)	169
$C20-H20A\cdots N2^i$	0.93	2.46	3.346 (6)	160

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

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



**Figure 2**  
Packing diagram of (I), viewed down the  $a$  axis, showing the intermolecular hydrogen bonds (dashed lines).

Data collection: *SMART* (Siemens, 1996); cell refinement: *SAINTE* (Siemens, 1996); data reduction: *SAINTE*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997a); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997a); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 1997b); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*, *PARST* (Nardelli, 1995) and *PLATON* (Spek, 2003).

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