

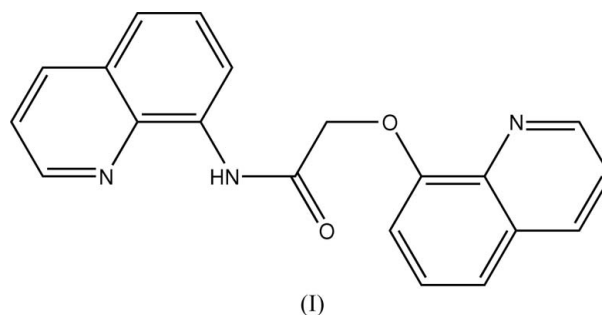
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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 293$  K  
Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.004$  Å  
 $R$  factor = 0.053  
 $wR$  factor = 0.129  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 13.5For details of how these key indicators were  
automatically derived from the article, see  
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.*N*-(Quinolin-8-yl)-2-(quinolin-8-yloxy)acetamideIn the crystal structure of the title compound,  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2$ , molecules are linked into dimers by  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  intermolecular hydrogen bonds. The crystal packing is also stabilized by  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\pi$  and  $\pi-\pi$  interactions involving the quinoline units.Received 6 September 2006  
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## Comment

We have reported the structure of *N*-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-(quinolin-8-yloxy)acetamide monohydrate, (II), (Wen *et al.*, 2005). As part of our studies on amide compounds, the title compound, (I), has been synthesized and the structure is reported here.

All bond lengths and angles in (I) are within normal ranges (Allen *et al.*, 1987) and comparable with those in the related compound, (II). The two quinoline units are essentially planar, the dihedral angle between them being  $83.07(1)^\circ$ . There are three intramolecular hydrogen bonds, *viz.*  $\text{N}2-\text{H}2\text{A}\cdots\text{O}1$  and  $\text{N}2-\text{H}2\text{A}\cdots\text{N}3$  and  $\text{C}20-\text{H}20\text{A}\cdots\text{O}2$  (Table 1), forming three five-membered rings. In the crystal structure, molecules are linked into dimers by a  $\text{C}10-\text{H}10\text{A}\cdots\text{O}2^i$  intermolecular hydrogen bond (Table 1 and Fig. 2). The crystal packing is also stabilized by  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\pi$  (Table 1) and  $\pi-\pi$  interactions involving the quinoline units, with  $\text{C}g2\cdots\text{C}g2^{\text{iii}}$ ,  $\text{C}g2\cdots\text{C}g4^{\text{iii}}$  and  $\text{C}g1\cdots\text{C}g3^{\text{iv}}$  distances of 3.642 (2), 3.849 (2) and 3.694 (2) Å, respectively [ $\text{C}g1$ ,  $\text{C}g2$ ,  $\text{C}g3$  and  $\text{C}g4$  denote the centroids of the  $\text{N}1/\text{C}1-\text{C}5$ ,  $\text{N}3/\text{C}13-\text{C}17$ ,  $\text{C}1/\text{C}5-\text{C}9$  and  $\text{C}12/\text{C}13/\text{C}17-\text{C}20$  rings, respectively; symmetry codes: (iii)  $1 - x, 2 - y, 2 - z$ ; (iv)  $1 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z$ ].

## Experimental

To a solution of 8-hydroxyquinoline (2.9 g, 20 mmol) in acetone (40 ml) were added 2-chloro-*N*-(quinolin-8-yl)acetamide (4.42 g, 20 mmol),  $\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3$  (3.04 g, 22 mmol) and KI (0.5 g), and the resulting mixture was stirred at 333 K for 5 h. After cooling to room temperature, the mixture was washed three times with water and then filtered. The title compound was obtained after drying the colourless powder at room temperature for 48 h. Colourless single crystals

suitable for X-ray diffraction study were obtained by slow evaporation of an ethyl acetate solution over a period of one week.

#### Crystal data

$C_{20}H_{15}N_3O_2$	$V = 817.8 (5) \text{ \AA}^3$
$M_r = 329.35$	$Z = 2$
Triclinic, $P\bar{1}$	$D_x = 1.337 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$a = 8.256 (3) \text{ \AA}$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$b = 10.017 (4) \text{ \AA}$	$\mu = 0.09 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$c = 10.181 (4) \text{ \AA}$	$T = 293 (2) \text{ K}$
$\alpha = 85.629 (7)^\circ$	Column, colourless
$\beta = 85.187 (7)^\circ$	$0.36 \times 0.12 \times 0.11 \text{ mm}$
$\gamma = 77.572 (8)^\circ$	

#### Data collection

Siemens SMART 1000 CCD area-detector diffractometer	4030 measured reflections
$\omega$ scans	3047 independent reflections
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)	1876 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
$T_{\min} = 0.969, T_{\max} = 0.990$	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.015$
	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 26.1^\circ$

#### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0597P)^2 + 0.0383P]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.053$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$wR(F^2) = 0.129$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$
$S = 0.98$	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.17 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
3047 reflections	$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.17 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
226 parameters	
H-atom parameters constrained	

**Table 1**

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

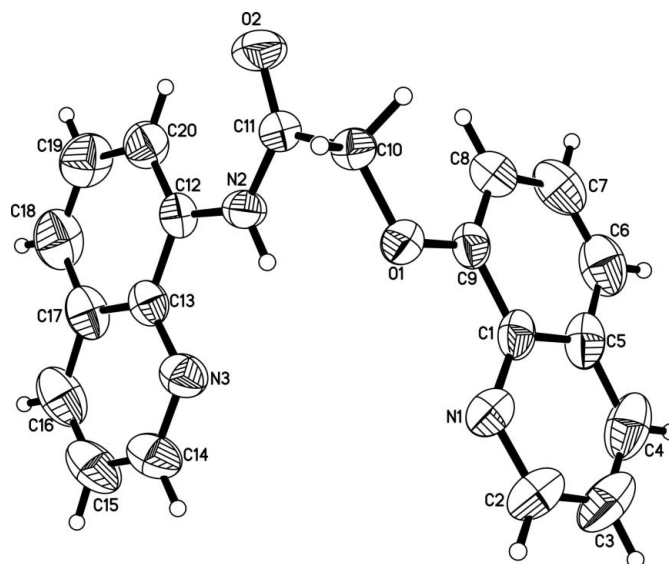
$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
$N2-H2A\cdots O1$	0.86	2.27	2.711 (2)	111
$N2-H2A\cdots N3$	0.86	2.24	2.654 (3)	110
$C10-H10A\cdots O2^i$	0.97	2.50	3.466 (3)	173
$C20-H20A\cdots O2$	0.93	2.32	2.903 (3)	121
$C4-H4A\cdots Cg2^{ii}$	0.93	2.89	3.780 (2)	160
$C6-H6A\cdots Cg4^{iii}$	0.93	2.70	3.611 (1)	169
$C16-H16A\cdots Cg3^{iii}$	0.93	2.63	3.549 (2)	169

Symmetry codes: (i)  $-x, -y+2, -z+1$ ; (ii)  $x, y-1, z$ ; (iii)  $-x+1, -y+2, -z+2$ .  $Cg1, Cg2, Cg3$  and  $Cg4$  denote the centroids of the  $N1/C1-C5, N3/C13-C17, C1/C5-C9$  and  $C12/C13/C17-C20$  rings, respectively.

All H atoms were located in difference Fourier maps and constrained to ride on their parent atoms, with  $C-H = 0.93-0.97 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $N-H = 0.86 \text{ \AA}$  and  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C}, \text{N})$ .

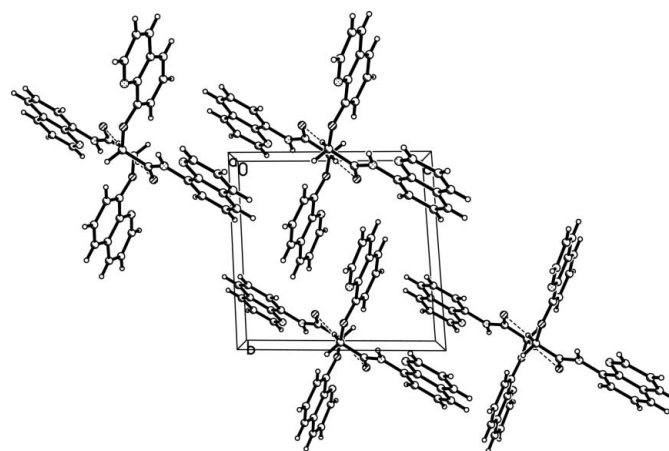
Data collection: SMART (Siemens, 1996); cell refinement: SAINT (Siemens, 1996); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997a); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997a); molecular graphics: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 1997b); software used to prepare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

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**Figure 1**

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



**Figure 2**

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

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