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#### **Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 294 K Mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.004 Å R factor = 0.048 wR factor = 0.131 Data-to-parameter ratio = 14.5

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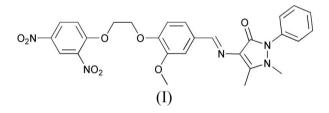
# (E)-4-{4-[2-(2,4-Dinitrophenoxy)ethoxy]-3-methoxybenzylideneamino}-1,5-dimethyl-

2-phenyl-1*H*-pyrazol-3(2*H*)-one

In the title compound,  $C_{27}H_{25}N_5O_8$ , the *p*-vanillin (4-hydroxy-3-methoxybenzaldehyde) group makes dihedral angles of 5.80 (8), 66.34 (6) and 68.13 (7)° with the pyrazolone ring, the terminal dinitrobenzene ring and the terminal phenyl ring, respectively. The crystal packing is stabilized by intermolecular C-H···O=C and C-H···O=N hydrogen bonds that form centrosymmetric dimers.

## Comment

There has been a steady growth of interest in the structure and reactivity of Schiff bases owing to their potential biological activities such as antibacterial and antitumor (Klayman et al., 1979). Consequently, a significant effort has been devoted to the synthesis of Schiff base derivatives (Santos et al., 2001). Among the large number of such compounds, 4-amino-1,5dimethyl-2-phenylpyrazol-3-one forms a variety of Schiff bases with aldehydes, and the synthesis and crystal structures of some of them, such as 4-[(2-hydroxy-3-methoxybenzylidene)amino]-1,5-dimethyl-2-phenyl-1H-pyrazol-3(2H)-one (Diao et al., 2005), (E)-4-[3-(4-chlorobenzyloxy)-4-methoxybenzylideneamino]-1,5-dimethyl-2-phenyl-1H-pyrazol-3(2H)one (Duan et al., 2006) and (E)-4-{2-[2-(2,4-dinitrophenoxy)ethoxy]-3-methoxybenzylideneamino}-1,5-dimethyl-2phenyl-1H-pyrazol-3(2H)-one (Diao & Yu, 2006), have been reported. We report here the synthesis and structure of the title compound, (I) (Fig. 1).



The bond lengths and angles in (I) are within normal ranges (Allen *et al.*, 1987). The pyrazolone ring (C17/C18/C20/N3/N4/N5/O8) is almost planar, with an r.m.s. deviation for fitted atoms of 0.0467 Å. It makes a dihedral angle of 65.70 (7)° with the attached phenyl ring (C22–C27). The *p*-vanillin unit (C9–C14/C16/O6/O7) is planar, with an r.m.s. deviation for fitted atoms of 0.0175 Å, and makes dihedral angles of 5.80 (8), 66.34 (6) and 68.13 (7)° with the pyrazolone ring, the terminal C1–C6 benzene ring and the terminal phenyl ring, respectively, The crystal packing is stabilized by weak non-classical intermolecular C1–H1···O8<sup>i</sup>=C20<sup>i</sup> and C21–H21*B*···O4<sup>ii</sup>=N2<sup>ii</sup> hydrogen bonds (symmetry codes as given in Table 1), each of which forms a centrosymmetric dimer (Fig. 2).

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# Experimental

An anhydrous ethanol solution (30 ml) of 4-[2-(2,4-dinitrophenoxy)ethoxy]-3-methoxybenzaldehyde (3.62 g, 10 mmol) was added to an anhydrous ethanol solution (30 ml) of 4-amino-1,5-dimethyl-2phenylpyrazol-3-one (2.03 g, 10 mmol) and the mixture was stirred at 350 K for 5 h under nitrogen, giving a yellow precipitate. The product was isolated and recrystallized from acetonitrile, and then dried in a vacuum to give the pure compound (I) in 85% yield. Yellow single crystals suitable for X-ray analysis were obtained by slow evaporation of an acetonitrile solution.

V = 1293.0 (9) Å<sup>3</sup>

 $D_x = 1.406 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo K $\alpha$  radiation  $\mu = 0.11 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 294 (2) KBlock, yellow  $0.26 \times 0.20 \times 0.14 \text{ mm}$ 

7445 measured reflections 5269 independent reflections 2900 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.025$  $\theta_{\text{max}} = 26.6^{\circ}$ 

Z = 2

#### Crystal data

$C_{27}H_{25}N_5O_8$ $M_r = 547.52$ Triclinic, $P\overline{1}$ $a = 9.032 (4) \text{ Å}$ $b = 12.288 (5) \text{ Å}$ $c = 13.054 (5) \text{ Å}$ $\alpha = 63.883 (7)^{\circ}$ $\beta = 83.801 (7)^{\circ}$
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$\gamma = 88.328 \ (7)^{\circ}$

#### Data collection

Bruker SMART APEX CCD area-
detector diffractometer
$\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans
Absorption correction: multi-scan
(SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)
$T_{\rm min} = 0.959, T_{\rm max} = 0.985$

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$ H-atom parameters constrained $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.048$  $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0611P)^2]$  $wR(F^2) = 0.131$ where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ S = 0.99 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.004$ 5269 reflections $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.21$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>364 parameters $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.20$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

### Table 1

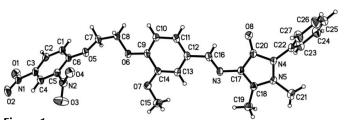
Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$	$D-\mathrm{H}$	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
$C1-H1\cdots O8^i$	0.93	2.50	3.258 (3)	139
$C21 - H21B \cdots O4^{ii}$	0.96	2.56	3.131 (3)	119

Symmetry codes: (i) -x + 2, -y + 1, -z; (ii) -x + 2, -y + 2, -z.

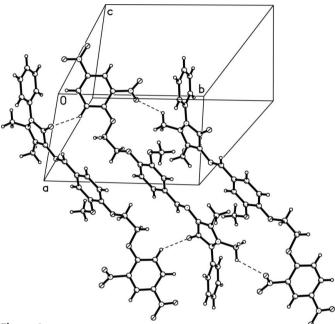
H atoms were included in calculated positions (C-H = 0.93–0.97 Å) and refined as riding, with  $U_{\rm iso}(\rm H) = 1.2 U_{eq}(\rm C)$  or  $1.5 U_{eq}(\rm methyl C)$ .

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 1999); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 1999); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997*a*); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997*a*); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 1997*b*); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.





The molecular structure of (I), with displacement ellipsoids for non-H atoms drawn at the 30% probability level.



#### Figure 2

Partial packing diagram of (I), showing intermolecular  $C-H\cdots O$  hydrogen bonds (dashed lines).

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