

## N-(4-Bromobenzylidene)-4-methoxy-aniline

Rui Ma,<sup>a\*</sup> Yubang Hou,<sup>b</sup> Xuejian Yong<sup>b</sup> and Yunbin Cen<sup>b</sup>

<sup>a</sup>Department of Materials Science and Chemical Engineering, China University of Geosciences, Wuhan 430074, People's Republic of China, and <sup>b</sup>Department of Chemistry, Central China Normal University, Wuhan 430079, People's Republic of China

Correspondence e-mail: marycandy@126.com

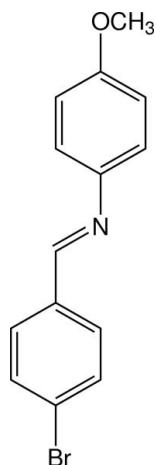
Received 24 September 2007; accepted 24 September 2007

Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 292\text{ K}$ ; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.009\text{ \AA}$ ;  $R$  factor = 0.064;  $wR$  factor = 0.121; data-to-parameter ratio = 15.1.

In the title compound,  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{BrNO}$ , the torsion angle about the central  $\text{C}=\text{N}$  double bond is  $170.4(3)^\circ$  and the dihedral angle between the aromatic rings is  $9.6(3)^\circ$ .

### Related literature

For related literature, see: Gao *et al.* (2004); Sun *et al.* (2006).



### Experimental

#### Crystal data

|   |  |
|---|--|
| $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{BrNO}$ | $V = 1248.7(3)\text{ \AA}^3$             |
| $M_r = 290.15$                          | $Z = 4$                                  |
| Orthorhombic, $Pca2_1$                  | Mo $K\alpha$ radiation                   |
| $a = 6.1510(8)\text{ \AA}$              | $\mu = 3.27\text{ mm}^{-1}$              |
| $b = 7.2726(9)\text{ \AA}$              | $T = 292(2)\text{ K}$                    |
| $c = 27.914(4)\text{ \AA}$              | $0.10 \times 0.10 \times 0.06\text{ mm}$ |

#### Data collection

|   |  |
|---|--|
| Bruker SMART CCD diffractometer                                   | 8336 measured reflections              |
| Absorption correction: multi-scan ( <i>SADABS</i> ; Bruker, 1997) | 2349 independent reflections           |
| $R_{\min} = 0.728$ , $T_{\max} = 0.822$                           | 1512 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ |
|   | $R_{\text{int}} = 0.063$               |
|   |  |

#### Refinement

|                                 |  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.064$ | H-atom parameters constrained                          |
| $wR(F^2) = 0.121$               | $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.51\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$           |
| $S = 1.06$                      | $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.32\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$          |
| 2349 reflections                | Absolute structure: Flack (1983),<br>764 Friedel pairs |
| 156 parameters                  | Flack parameter: 0.016 (18)                            |
| 1 restraint                     |  |

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

The authors thank Central China Normal University and China University of Geosciences for supporting this work. The support of the Education Bureau of Hubei Province (project D2006-28004) and the Technologies R&D Programme of Hubei Province (2005AA401D57 and 2006AA101C39) is gratefully acknowledged.

Supplementary data and figures for this paper are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: HB2554).

### References

- Bruker (1997). *SMART*, *SAINT*, *SADABS* and *SHELXTL*. Bruker AXS Inc., Madison, Wisconsin, USA.  
Flack, H. D. (1983). *Acta Cryst. A* **39**, 876–881.  
Gao, H.-Y., Guo, W.-J., Bao, F., Gui, G.-Q., Zhang, J.-K., Zhu, F.-M. & Wu, Q. (2004). *Organometallics*, **23**, 6273–6280.  
Sheldrick, G. M. (1997). *SHELXS97* and *SHELXL97*. University of Göttingen, Germany.  
Sun, S.-F., Ma, R.-M. & Ng, S. W. (2006). *Acta Cryst. E* **62**, o3612–o3613.

## **supplementary materials**

*Acta Cryst.* (2007). E63, o4188 [doi:10.1107/S1600536807046855]

## N-(4-Bromobenzylidene)-4-methoxyaniline

R. Ma, Y. Hou, X. Yong and Y. Cen

### Comment

Schiff bases such as those derived from salicylaldehyde and aniline are readily synthesized. The Schiff base of *N*-(4-Bromobenzylidene)-3-nitroaniline had been reported before (Sun *et al.*, 2006). As part of a project to examine the catalytic activity of Schiff bases that in the form of their nickel complexes (Gao *et al.*, 2004), the title *p*-bromobenzaldehyde derivative, (I), was obtained by reaction with 4-methoxyaniline (Fig. 1). The molecule is not planar as the two aromatic rings are twisted about the double bond in order to relieve steric strain.

### Experimental

*p*-Methoxyaniline (2.24 g, 18.2 mmol) and *p*-bromobenzaldehyde (3.33 g, 18.0 mmol) were dissolved in ethanol (35 ml) along with 1 ml of formic acid. The solution was refluxed for 8 h. Removal of the solvent followed by recrystallization from a 1:1 *v/v* ethanol/dichloromethane mixture (35 ml) gave the title compound in about 70% yield. Colourless blocks of (I) were grown from ethanol. Elemental analysis: calculated for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>Br<sub>1</sub>N<sub>1</sub>O<sub>1</sub>: C 57.95, H 4.17, N 4.83%; found: C 57.80, H 4.01, N 5.02%.

### Refinement

The H atoms were placed in calculated positions (C—H = 0.93 Å) and refined as riding with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ .

### Figures

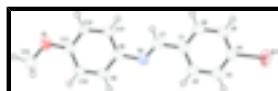


Fig. 1. View of (I), with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level. The H atoms are drawn as spheres of arbitrary radius.

## N-(4-Bromobenzylidene)-4-methoxyaniline

### Crystal data

|   |                                       |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>12</sub> Br <sub>1</sub> N <sub>1</sub> O <sub>1</sub> | $F_{000} = 584$                       |
| $M_r = 290.15$  | $D_x = 1.543 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$       |
| Orthorhombic, <i>Pca2</i> <sub>1</sub>  | Mo $K\alpha$ radiation                |
| Hall symbol: P 2c -2ac  | $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$       |
| $a = 6.1510 (8) \text{ \AA}$  | Cell parameters from 1585 reflections |
| $b = 7.2726 (9) \text{ \AA}$  | $\theta = 2.1\text{--}28.3^\circ$     |
| $c = 27.914 (4) \text{ \AA}$  | $\mu = 3.27 \text{ mm}^{-1}$          |
| $V = 1248.7 (3) \text{ \AA}^3$  | $T = 292 (2) \text{ K}$               |
|   | Block, colorless                      |

## supplementary materials

$Z=4$   $0.10 \times 0.10 \times 0.06$  mm

### *Data collection*

|   |  |
|---|--|
| Bruker SMART CCD diffractometer                             | 2349 independent reflections           |
| Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube                    | 1512 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ |
| Monochromator: graphite                                     | $R_{\text{int}} = 0.063$               |
| $T = 292(2)$ K  | $\theta_{\text{max}} = 28.3^\circ$     |
| $\omega$ scans  | $\theta_{\text{min}} = 2.8^\circ$      |
| Absorption correction: multi-scan<br>(SADABS; Bruker, 1997) | $h = -7 \rightarrow 7$                 |
| $T_{\text{min}} = 0.728$ , $T_{\text{max}} = 0.822$         | $k = -9 \rightarrow 7$                 |
| 8336 measured reflections                                   | $l = -26 \rightarrow 36$               |

## *Refinement*

|  |  |
|--|--|
| Refinement on $F^2$  | Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites |
| Least-squares matrix: full                                     | H-atom parameters constrained                            |
| $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.064$                                | $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0415P)^2]$                  |
| $wR(F^2) = 0.121$  | where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$                           |
| $S = 1.06$   | $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.005$                   |
| 2349 reflections   | $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.51 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$      |
| 156 parameters   | $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.32 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$     |
| 1 restraint  | Extinction correction: ?                                 |
| Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods | Extinction coefficient: ?                                |
| Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map           | Absolute structure: Flack (1983), 764 Friedel pairs      |
|  | Flack parameter: 0.016 (18)                              |

### *Special details*

**Geometry.** All e.s.d.'s (except the e.s.d. in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell e.s.d.'s are taken into account individually in the estimation of e.s.d.'s in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between e.s.d.'s in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell e.s.d.'s is used for estimating e.s.d.'s involving l.s. planes.

**Refinement.** Refinement of  $F^2$  against ALL reflections. The weighted  $R$ -factor  $wR$  and goodness of fit  $S$  are based on  $F^2$ , conventional  $R$ -factors  $R$  are based on  $F$ , with  $F$  set to zero for negative  $F^2$ . The threshold expression of  $F^2 > 2\text{sigma}(F^2)$  is used only for calculating  $R$ -factors(gt) etc. and is not relevant to the choice of reflections for refinement.  $R$ -factors based on  $F^2$  are statistically about twice as large as those based on  $F$ , and  $R$ -factors based on ALL data will be even larger.

### Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )

|     | <i>x</i>      | <i>y</i>    | <i>z</i>    | <i>U</i> <sub>iso</sub> */* <i>U</i> <sub>eq</sub> |
|-----|---------------|-------------|-------------|--|
| Br1 | -0.03907 (11) | 0.72700 (9) | 0.51664 (4) | 0.0716 (3)   |
| C1  | 0.2243 (10)   | 0.7455 (7)  | 0.3597 (2)  | 0.0396 (15)  |

|      |              |             |              |             |
|------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| C2   | 0.3529 (11)  | 0.8085 (8)  | 0.3978 (3)   | 0.0467 (16) |
| H2   | 0.4926       | 0.8518      | 0.3919       | 0.056*      |
| C3   | 0.2744 (11)  | 0.8067 (9)  | 0.4438 (3)   | 0.0530 (17) |
| H3   | 0.3583       | 0.8526      | 0.4688       | 0.064*      |
| C4   | 0.0688 (12)  | 0.7360 (8)  | 0.4527 (3)   | 0.0497 (17) |
| C5   | -0.0597 (10) | 0.6762 (8)  | 0.4166 (2)   | 0.0468 (16) |
| H5   | -0.1985      | 0.6318      | 0.4230       | 0.056*      |
| C6   | 0.0186 (11)  | 0.6820 (12) | 0.3697 (3)   | 0.049 (2)   |
| H6   | -0.0700      | 0.6423      | 0.3447       | 0.059*      |
| C7   | 0.3079 (11)  | 0.7367 (8)  | 0.3107 (3)   | 0.0463 (16) |
| H7   | 0.2108       | 0.7099      | 0.2862       | 0.056*      |
| C8   | 0.5757 (9)   | 0.7501 (6)  | 0.2515 (2)   | 0.0350 (14) |
| C9   | 0.7727 (8)   | 0.8355 (7)  | 0.2403 (2)   | 0.0356 (14) |
| H9   | 0.8507       | 0.8937      | 0.2645       | 0.043*      |
| C10  | 0.8535 (9)   | 0.8355 (7)  | 0.1949 (2)   | 0.0388 (14) |
| H10  | 0.9833       | 0.8956      | 0.1880       | 0.047*      |
| C11  | 0.7415 (9)   | 0.7457 (7)  | 0.1590 (2)   | 0.0342 (13) |
| C12  | 0.5511 (10)  | 0.6601 (10) | 0.1690 (2)   | 0.0375 (16) |
| H12  | 0.4771       | 0.6001      | 0.1446       | 0.045*      |
| C13  | 0.4639 (9)   | 0.6596 (7)  | 0.2147 (2)   | 0.0381 (14) |
| H13  | 0.3331       | 0.6000      | 0.2209       | 0.046*      |
| C14  | 1.0077 (11)  | 0.8162 (12) | 0.0993 (3)   | 0.068 (2)   |
| H14A | 0.9931       | 0.9475      | 0.1005       | 0.102*      |
| H14B | 1.0472       | 0.7797      | 0.0674       | 0.102*      |
| H14C | 1.1186       | 0.7777      | 0.1213       | 0.102*      |
| N1   | 0.5029 (8)   | 0.7632 (7)  | 0.3001 (2)   | 0.0428 (13) |
| O1   | 0.8083 (7)   | 0.7336 (5)  | 0.11189 (16) | 0.0498 (12) |

*Atomic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )*

|     | $U^{11}$   | $U^{22}$   | $U^{33}$   | $U^{12}$     | $U^{13}$   | $U^{23}$    |
|-----|------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|-------------|
| Br1 | 0.0775 (5) | 0.0926 (6) | 0.0447 (4) | -0.0006 (3)  | 0.0177 (5) | -0.0023 (8) |
| C1  | 0.043 (4)  | 0.036 (4)  | 0.040 (4)  | 0.009 (3)    | 0.000 (3)  | 0.004 (3)   |
| C2  | 0.038 (4)  | 0.050 (4)  | 0.052 (4)  | -0.003 (3)   | -0.004 (3) | 0.003 (3)   |
| C3  | 0.059 (5)  | 0.059 (4)  | 0.042 (4)  | -0.011 (3)   | -0.007 (3) | -0.004 (3)  |
| C4  | 0.070 (5)  | 0.040 (4)  | 0.040 (4)  | -0.002 (3)   | 0.012 (3)  | -0.002 (3)  |
| C5  | 0.043 (4)  | 0.049 (4)  | 0.049 (4)  | -0.006 (3)   | 0.009 (3)  | 0.004 (3)   |
| C6  | 0.041 (4)  | 0.055 (5)  | 0.052 (6)  | -0.001 (3)   | -0.012 (4) | -0.006 (4)  |
| C7  | 0.048 (4)  | 0.045 (4)  | 0.046 (4)  | -0.002 (3)   | -0.007 (3) | -0.003 (3)  |
| C8  | 0.038 (3)  | 0.024 (3)  | 0.043 (4)  | 0.003 (2)    | -0.002 (3) | 0.008 (3)   |
| C9  | 0.033 (3)  | 0.035 (3)  | 0.039 (4)  | 0.002 (2)    | -0.008 (3) | 0.000 (3)   |
| C10 | 0.032 (3)  | 0.032 (3)  | 0.052 (4)  | -0.005 (2)   | 0.001 (3)  | -0.004 (3)  |
| C11 | 0.036 (3)  | 0.035 (3)  | 0.032 (3)  | 0.013 (3)    | -0.003 (3) | 0.005 (3)   |
| C12 | 0.032 (3)  | 0.044 (4)  | 0.037 (4)  | -0.005 (3)   | -0.001 (3) | -0.006 (3)  |
| C13 | 0.032 (3)  | 0.035 (3)  | 0.047 (4)  | -0.008 (2)   | 0.003 (3)  | 0.000 (3)   |
| C14 | 0.055 (5)  | 0.106 (6)  | 0.043 (5)  | -0.005 (4)   | 0.004 (3)  | 0.014 (4)   |
| N1  | 0.042 (3)  | 0.047 (3)  | 0.039 (3)  | -0.007 (2)   | -0.003 (2) | 0.005 (2)   |
| O1  | 0.048 (3)  | 0.063 (3)  | 0.039 (3)  | -0.0046 (19) | 0.003 (2)  | 0.004 (2)   |

## supplementary materials

---

### Geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ , $^\circ$ )

|           |            |               |           |
|-----------|------------|---------------|-----------|
| Br1—C4    | 1.905 (7)  | C8—C13        | 1.400 (9) |
| C1—C6     | 1.376 (9)  | C8—N1         | 1.431 (9) |
| C1—C2     | 1.404 (9)  | C9—C10        | 1.363 (7) |
| C1—C7     | 1.461 (9)  | C9—H9         | 0.9300    |
| C2—C3     | 1.370 (9)  | C10—C11       | 1.379 (8) |
| C2—H2     | 0.9300     | C10—H10       | 0.9300    |
| C3—C4     | 1.388 (9)  | C11—C12       | 1.356 (8) |
| C3—H3     | 0.9300     | C11—O1        | 1.381 (7) |
| C4—C5     | 1.352 (10) | C12—C13       | 1.383 (9) |
| C5—C6     | 1.397 (10) | C12—H12       | 0.9300    |
| C5—H5     | 0.9300     | C13—H13       | 0.9300    |
| C6—H6     | 0.9300     | C14—O1        | 1.411 (8) |
| C7—N1     | 1.251 (8)  | C14—H14A      | 0.9600    |
| C7—H7     | 0.9300     | C14—H14B      | 0.9600    |
| C8—C9     | 1.397 (7)  | C14—H14C      | 0.9600    |
| C6—C1—C2  | 118.3 (7)  | C10—C9—C8     | 121.6 (6) |
| C6—C1—C7  | 119.9 (6)  | C10—C9—H9     | 119.2     |
| C2—C1—C7  | 121.7 (6)  | C8—C9—H9      | 119.2     |
| C3—C2—C1  | 120.6 (7)  | C9—C10—C11    | 119.6 (5) |
| C3—C2—H2  | 119.7      | C9—C10—H10    | 120.2     |
| C1—C2—H2  | 119.7      | C11—C10—H10   | 120.2     |
| C2—C3—C4  | 119.5 (7)  | C12—C11—C10   | 119.9 (6) |
| C2—C3—H3  | 120.2      | C12—C11—O1    | 115.1 (6) |
| C4—C3—H3  | 120.2      | C10—C11—O1    | 124.9 (5) |
| C5—C4—C3  | 121.2 (7)  | C11—C12—C13   | 121.8 (6) |
| C5—C4—Br1 | 118.9 (5)  | C11—C12—H12   | 119.1     |
| C3—C4—Br1 | 119.9 (6)  | C13—C12—H12   | 119.1     |
| C4—C5—C6  | 119.2 (6)  | C12—C13—C8    | 119.0 (5) |
| C4—C5—H5  | 120.4      | C12—C13—H13   | 120.5     |
| C6—C5—H5  | 120.4      | C8—C13—H13    | 120.5     |
| C1—C6—C5  | 121.2 (7)  | O1—C14—H14A   | 109.5     |
| C1—C6—H6  | 119.4      | O1—C14—H14B   | 109.5     |
| C5—C6—H6  | 119.4      | H14A—C14—H14B | 109.5     |
| N1—C7—C1  | 123.6 (6)  | O1—C14—H14C   | 109.5     |
| N1—C7—H7  | 118.2      | H14A—C14—H14C | 109.5     |
| C1—C7—H7  | 118.2      | H14B—C14—H14C | 109.5     |
| C9—C8—C13 | 118.2 (6)  | C7—N1—C8      | 121.0 (6) |
| C9—C8—N1  | 116.9 (5)  | C11—O1—C14    | 118.0 (5) |
| C13—C8—N1 | 124.9 (5)  |               |           |

Fig. 1

