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# N-(4-Propoxyphenyl)acetamide

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; T = 93 K; mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.002 Å; R factor = 0.043; wR factor = 0.115; data-to-parameter ratio = 14.5.

The non-H atoms of the title compound, C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>, are approximately coplanar. In the crystal structure, an  $N-H \cdots O$ hydrogen bond leads to C(4) chains of molecules propagating along [010].

#### **Related literature**

For background, see: Haisa et al. (1980); Nichols & Frampton (1998); Oswald et al. (2002); Hansen et al. (2006). For reference structural data, see: Allen et al. (1987).



#### **Experimental**

#### Crystal data

 $C_{11}H_{15}NO_2$  $M_r = 193.24$ Orthorhombic, Pbcn a = 11.7776 (11) Åb = 9.4779 (8) Å c = 18.8180 (18) Å

V = 2100.6 (3) Å<sup>3</sup> Z = 8Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  $\mu = 0.08 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 93 (2) K  $0.20\,\times\,0.10\,\times\,0.10$  mm

#### Data collection

Rigaku Mercury CCD	
diffractometer	
Absorption correction: none	
12750 measured reflections	

#### Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.043$	H atoms treated by a mixture of
$wR(F^2) = 0.115$	independent and constrained
S = 1.06	refinement
1916 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.17 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
132 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.17 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$

1916 independent reflections

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.027$ 

1702 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

#### Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
$N1 - H1 \cdots O1^i$	0.884 (17)	1.949 (17)	2.7988 (15)	160.8 (14)
Symmetry code: (i	$-x + \frac{3}{2}, y + \frac{1}{2}, z.$			

Data collection: CrystalClear (Rigaku, 2004); cell refinement: CrystalClear; data reduction: CrystalClear; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: ORTEP-3 (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

Supplementary data and figures for this paper are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: FJ2048).

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#### Comment

The title compound, (I), with R = n-Pr, complements the series of molecules with R = H [N-(4-hydroxyphenyl)acetamide or acetaminophen or paracetamol], R = Me [N-(4-methoxyphenyl)acetamide; Haisa *et al.* (1980)] and R = Et [N-(4-ethoxyphenyl)acetamide or phenacetin; Hansen *et al.* (2006)]. Crystallographically, paracetamol is notable for its polymorphism, adopting at least four crystalline forms (Nichols & Frampton, 1998), as well as its participation in a variety of distinctive supramolecular networks (Oswald *et al.*, 2002).

The molecule of (I) is approximately planar, with an r.m.s. deviation from the mean plane of 0.084Å for the non-hydrogen atoms. The short C6—N1 bond length of 1.4145 (17)Å and the bond-angle sum of 360° for N1 suggest some electronic interaction between the  $\pi$  cloud of the benzene ring and the p electrons of N1, C7 and O1. Otherwise, the geometry of (I) may be regarded as normal (Allen *et al.*, 1995).

In the crystal of (I), an N—H···O hydrogen bond (Table 1) links the molecules into C(4) chains propagating in [010] (Fig. 2). The unit-cell packing for (I) results in distinctive zigzag (100) sheets (Fig. 3). There are no aromatic  $\pi$ - $\pi$  stacking interactions in (I) as the closest benzene ring centroid-centroid separation is greater than 4.51 Å.

Supramolecular C(4) hydrogen bonded chains containing the characteristic  $\cdots O=C$ —N—H $\cdots$  amide unit are also observed in the crystals of *N*-(4-methoxyphenyl)acetamide (Haisa *et al.*, 1980) and phenacetin (Hansen *et al.*, 2006). However, paracetamol adopts different hydrogen bonding patterns: either –N—H $\cdots$ OH or –O—H $\cdots$ O—H $\cdots$  hydrogen bonds are seen, depending on the polymorph (Nichols & Frampton, 1998)

#### **Experimental**

Paracetamol was treated with  $K_2CO_3$  and 1-iodopropane in acetone to yield the crude pruduct. Recrystallization from acetone yielded colourless prisms of (I).

#### Refinement

The N-bound hydrogen atom was located in a difference map and its position was freely refined with  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(N)$ . The C-bound hydrogen atoms were geometrically placed (C—H = 0.95–0.99 Å) and refined as riding with  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$  or  $1.5U_{eq}(M)$ . The methyl groups were allowed to rotate, but not tip, to best fit the electron density.

#### **Figures**



Fig. 1. View of the molecular structure of (I) showing 50% displacement ellipsoids (arbitrary spheres for the H atoms).



Fig. 2. Fragement of a [010] hydrogen bonded chain of molecules in the crystal of (I) with all H atoms except Hxx omitted for clarity. Symmetry codes: (i)  $3/2 - x_y y + 1/2z$ ; (ii)  $x_y y + 1, z_z$ .

Fig. 3. The unit cell packing for (I), with H atoms omitted for clarity.

 $F_{000} = 832$ 

 $D_{\rm x} = 1.222 \ {\rm Mg \ m}^{-3}$ 

Cell parameters from 6098 reflections

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation

 $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ Å}$ 

 $\theta = 2.4 - 28.7^{\circ}$ 

 $\mu = 0.08 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ 

Prism, colourless

 $0.20\times0.10\times0.10~mm$ 

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Hall symbol: -P 2n 2ab a = 11.7776 (11) Å b = 9.4779 (8) Å c = 18.8180 (18) Å  $V = 2100.6 (3) \text{ Å}^3$ Z = 8

#### Data collection

Rigaku Mercury CCD diffractometer	1702 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube	$R_{\rm int} = 0.027$
Monochromator: graphite	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.3^{\circ}$
T = 93(2)  K	$\theta_{\min} = 2.8^{\circ}$
$\omega$ and $\phi$ scans	$h = -14 \rightarrow 14$
Absorption correction: none	$k = -10 \rightarrow 11$

12750 measured reflections	
1916 independent reflections	

#### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map
Least-squares matrix: full	Hydrogen site location: difmap and geom
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.043$	H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement
$wR(F^2) = 0.115$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0648P)^2 + 0.5326P]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
<i>S</i> = 1.06	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$
1916 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{max} = 0.17 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
132 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{min} = -0.17 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

 $l = -22 \rightarrow 16$ 

Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct Extinction correction: none

#### 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  $F^2 > 2$ 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  $(A^2)$ 

	x	У	Ζ	$U_{\rm iso}*/U_{\rm eq}$
C1	0.54255 (11)	0.29534 (13)	0.34000 (7)	0.0215 (3)
H1A	0.5712	0.2107	0.3197	0.026*
C2	0.45492 (11)	0.29033 (14)	0.38907 (7)	0.0226 (3)
H2	0.4242	0.2015	0.4023	0.027*
C3	0.41105 (11)	0.41241 (14)	0.41933 (7)	0.0207 (3)
C4	0.45639 (11)	0.54225 (14)	0.39988 (7)	0.0219 (3)
H4	0.4274	0.6268	0.4200	0.026*
C5	0.54437 (11)	0.54724 (13)	0.35089 (7)	0.0210 (3)
Н5	0.5752	0.6361	0.3378	0.025*
C6	0.58849 (10)	0.42529 (13)	0.32056 (7)	0.0182 (3)
C7	0.74534 (11)	0.34160 (14)	0.24285 (7)	0.0211 (3)
C8	0.83580 (12)	0.39449 (15)	0.19276 (8)	0.0281 (4)
H8A	0.8423	0.4972	0.1971	0.042*
H8B	0.8152	0.3700	0.1438	0.042*
H8C	0.9087	0.3506	0.2048	0.042*
С9	0.27433 (12)	0.51676 (14)	0.49810 (7)	0.0245 (3)

# supplementary materials

H9A	0.2452	0.5813	0.4610	0.029*
H9B	0.3321	0.5676	0.5265	0.029*
C10	0.17881 (12)	0.46751 (16)	0.54514 (8)	0.0316 (4)
H10A	0.2092	0.4020	0.5814	0.038*
H10B	0.1227	0.4153	0.5161	0.038*
C11	0.12012 (14)	0.59032 (16)	0.58193 (8)	0.0351 (4)
H11A	0.0586	0.5544	0.6120	0.053*
H11B	0.0887	0.6545	0.5461	0.053*
H11C	0.1752	0.6412	0.6114	0.053*
N1	0.67758 (9)	0.44174 (12)	0.27083 (6)	0.0193 (3)
H1	0.6928 (14)	0.5298 (18)	0.2586 (7)	0.023*
01	0.73594 (9)	0.21529 (10)	0.25639 (5)	0.0298 (3)
O2	0.32328 (8)	0.39351 (10)	0.46613 (5)	0.0257 (3)

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

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
C1	0.0241 (7)	0.0167 (7)	0.0237 (7)	0.0015 (5)	-0.0002 (5)	-0.0011 (5)
C2	0.0252 (7)	0.0182 (7)	0.0246 (7)	-0.0031 (5)	0.0005 (5)	0.0019 (5)
C3	0.0199 (7)	0.0236 (7)	0.0187 (6)	0.0002 (5)	-0.0009 (5)	0.0020 (5)
C4	0.0247 (7)	0.0183 (7)	0.0228 (7)	0.0025 (5)	0.0002 (5)	-0.0023 (5)
C5	0.0222 (7)	0.0173 (7)	0.0235 (7)	-0.0014 (5)	-0.0007 (5)	0.0015 (5)
C6	0.0183 (6)	0.0191 (7)	0.0174 (6)	0.0009 (5)	-0.0039 (5)	0.0009 (5)
C7	0.0201 (7)	0.0211 (8)	0.0220 (7)	0.0022 (5)	-0.0027 (5)	-0.0005 (5)
C8	0.0259 (7)	0.0272 (8)	0.0313 (8)	0.0028 (6)	0.0045 (6)	-0.0004 (6)
C9	0.0247 (7)	0.0245 (7)	0.0243 (7)	0.0029 (6)	0.0012 (6)	0.0001 (6)
C10	0.0279 (8)	0.0344 (9)	0.0326 (8)	0.0007 (6)	0.0083 (6)	-0.0021 (6)
C11	0.0326 (8)	0.0397 (9)	0.0329 (8)	0.0064 (7)	0.0087 (7)	0.0012 (7)
N1	0.0209 (6)	0.0151 (6)	0.0218 (6)	-0.0007 (4)	0.0015 (4)	0.0008 (4)
O1	0.0313 (6)	0.0180 (6)	0.0401 (6)	0.0052 (4)	0.0057 (4)	0.0021 (4)
O2	0.0262 (5)	0.0238 (5)	0.0270 (5)	0.0000 (4)	0.0080 (4)	0.0000 (4)

## Geometric parameters (Å, °)

C1—C2	1.3856 (19)	C8—H8A	0.9800
C1—C6	1.3941 (18)	C8—H8B	0.9800
C1—H1A	0.9500	C8—H8C	0.9800
C2—C3	1.3894 (18)	С9—О2	1.4349 (16)
С2—Н2	0.9500	C9—C10	1.506 (2)
C3—O2	1.3697 (16)	С9—Н9А	0.9900
C3—C4	1.3905 (18)	С9—Н9В	0.9900
C4—C5	1.3877 (19)	C10-C11	1.521 (2)
C4—H4	0.9500	C10—H10A	0.9900
C5—C6	1.3899 (17)	C10—H10B	0.9900
С5—Н5	0.9500	C11—H11A	0.9800
C6—N1	1.4145 (17)	C11—H11B	0.9800
C7—O1	1.2289 (17)	C11—H11C	0.9800
C7—N1	1.3471 (17)	N1—H1	0.884 (17)
С7—С8	1.5083 (19)		

C2—C1—C6	119.62 (12)		H8A—C8—H8C		109.5
C2—C1—H1A	120.2		H8B-C8-H8C		109.5
C6—C1—H1A	120.2		O2—C9—C10		107.12 (11)
C1—C2—C3	121.44 (12)		О2—С9—Н9А		110.3
C1—C2—H2	119.3		С10—С9—Н9А		110.3
С3—С2—Н2	119.3		О2—С9—Н9В		110.3
O2—C3—C2	115.80 (11)		С10—С9—Н9В		110.3
O2—C3—C4	125.09 (12)		Н9А—С9—Н9В		108.5
C2—C3—C4	119.10 (12)		C9-C10-C11		111.72 (12)
C5—C4—C3	119.46 (11)		C9-C10-H10A		109.3
С5—С4—Н4	120.3		C11-C10-H10A		109.3
С3—С4—Н4	120.3		C9-C10-H10B		109.3
C4—C5—C6	121.58 (11)		C11-C10-H10B		109.3
С4—С5—Н5	119.2		H10A-C10-H10B		107.9
С6—С5—Н5	119.2		C10-C11-H11A		109.5
C5—C6—C1	118.80 (12)		C10-C11-H11B		109.5
C5—C6—N1	117.21 (11)		H11A—C11—H11B		109.5
C1—C6—N1	123.98 (11)		C10-C11-H11C		109.5
O1—C7—N1	123.50 (12)		H11A-C11-H11C		109.5
O1—C7—C8	121.12 (12)		H11B-C11-H11C		109.5
N1—C7—C8	115.38 (12)		C7—N1—C6		128.33 (11)
С7—С8—Н8А	109.5		C7—N1—H1		116.3 (10)
С7—С8—Н8В	109.5		C6—N1—H1		115.3 (10)
H8A—C8—H8B	109.5		С3—О2—С9		117.79 (10)
С7—С8—Н8С	109.5				
C6—C1—C2—C3	0.3 (2)		C2-C1-C6-N1		-179.72 (11)
C1—C2—C3—O2	178.89 (11)		O2-C9-C10-C11		-179.87 (12)
C1—C2—C3—C4	-0.1 (2)		O1-C7-N1-C6		2.0 (2)
O2—C3—C4—C5	-178.96 (12)	1	C8—C7—N1—C6		-177.89 (12)
C2—C3—C4—C5	-0.1 (2)		C5-C6-N1-C7		168.77 (12)
C3—C4—C5—C6	0.1 (2)		C1-C6-N1-C7		-11.8 (2)
C4—C5—C6—C1	0.17 (19)		С2—С3—О2—С9		-179.29 (11)
C4—C5—C6—N1	179.59 (11)		С4—С3—О2—С9		-0.40 (18)
C2-C1-C6-C5	-0.34 (19)		C10—C9—O2—C3		178.51 (11)
Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)					
D—H····A		D—H	H···A	$D \cdots A$	D—H···A
N1— $H1$ ···O1 <sup>i</sup>		0.884 (17)	1.949 (17)	2.7988 (15)	160.8 (14)

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Fig. 1









