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## 1-(N-Cyanoguanyl)-3,5-dimethyl-1,2,4triazole

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; $T=223 \mathrm{~K}$; mean $\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.004 \AA$; $R$ factor $=0.046 ; w R$ factor $=0.114$; data-to-parameter ratio $=13.0$.

The title compound, $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{8} \mathrm{~N}_{6}$, is of interest because it contains $-\mathrm{CN},-\mathrm{NH}_{2}$ and triazole functional groups that can potentially bind metal(II) ions to form coordination polymers. In the crystal structure, $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{N}$ hydrogen bonds assemble the molecules into a two-dimensional sheet structure. There are also $\pi-\pi$ interactions between the sheets, with distances of 3.726 (1) Å between the triazole rings.

## Related literature

For related literature, see: Guethner (1992); Haasnoot (2000); Kahn \& Martinez (1998); Boga et al. (1999).


## Experimental

## Crystal data

$\begin{array}{ll}\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{8} \mathrm{~N}_{6} & \text { Monoclinic, } C 2 / c \\ M_{r}=164.18 & a=19.785(6) \AA\end{array}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& b=7.5085(17) \AA \\
& c=14.458(4) \AA \\
& \beta=132.266(4)^{\circ} \\
& V=1589.5(8) \AA^{3} \\
& Z=8
\end{aligned}
$$

Mo $K \alpha$ radiation
$\mu=0.10 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$
$T=223(2) \mathrm{K}$
$0.60 \times 0.32 \times 0.10 \mathrm{~mm}$

Data collection
Rigaku Mercury CCD diffractometer
Absorption correction: multi-scan (CrystalClear; Rigaku, 1999)
$T_{\text {min }}=0.913, T_{\text {max }}=0.990$
Refinement
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.046 \quad 112$ parameters
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.114 \quad$ H-atom parameters constrained
$S=1.15$
1451 reflections

H-atom parameters constrained
$\Delta \rho_{\text {max }}=0.21 \mathrm{e}^{\AA^{-3}}$
$\Delta \rho_{\text {min }}=-0.24 \mathrm{e}^{-3}$

Table 1
Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\AA,{ }^{\circ}$ ).

| $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H}$ | $\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{~N} 4-\mathrm{H} 4 A \cdots \mathrm{~N}^{\mathrm{i}}$ | 0.87 | 2.10 | $2.937(2)$ | 162 |
| $\mathrm{~N} 4-\mathrm{H} 4 B \cdots \mathrm{~N} 6^{\mathrm{ii}}$ | 0.87 | 2.39 | $3.047(2)$ | 133 |
| Symmetry codes: (i) $x+\frac{1}{2},-y+\frac{1}{2}, z+\frac{1}{2} ;$ (ii) $-x+\frac{3}{2}, y-\frac{1}{2},-z+\frac{3}{2}$. |  |  |  |  |

Data collection: CrystalClear (Rigaku, 1999); cell refinement: CrystalClear; data reduction: CrystalStructure (Rigaku, 1999); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: PLATON (Spek, 2003); software used to prepare material for publication: PLATON.

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Supplementary data and figures for this paper are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: FL2172).

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## Comment

Nowadays 1,2,4-triazole and its derivatives have attracted great interest because they combine the coordination modes of pyrazole and imidazole. They can bind different metal(II) ions forming a number of coordination polymers that exhibit diverse properties. For example, some iron(II) complexes containing 1,2,4-triazole ligands have spin-crossover properties, which could be used in molecular-based memory devices, displays and optical switches. (Kahn \& Martinez, 1998) A comprehensive review of 1,2,4-triazole and its derivatives has been published (Haasnoot, 2000). However, triazole derivatives such as the title compound, (I), have not been well studied and from the viewpoint of coordination chemistry, it can be seen as a new ligand.

The molecular structure of (I) is shown in Fig. 1. The triazole ring is almost perfectly planar [maximum deviation from the least-squares plane is 0.002 (6) $\AA$ ]. The distribution of bond lengths in the triazole ring vary from 1.311 (1)-1.377 (3) $\AA$, which all fall in the intermediate range between $1.47 \AA$ for a $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{N}$ single bond and $1.29 \AA$ for a $\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{N}$ double bond (Boga et al., 1999). The result suggests a high degree of pi-delocalization over the whole triazole ring. Examination of the crystal structure with PLATON (Spek, 2003) shows that there are no solvent-accessible voids in the crystal structure. In the crystal $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{N}$ hydrogen bonds assemble the molecules into a two-dimensional sheet structure parallel to the $a b$ plane. There are also pi-pi interactions between the sheets with distances of 3.726 (1) $\AA$ between the triazole rings.

## Experimental

The title compound was synthesized according to a method described previously (Guethner, 1992). 0.2 mmol 1 -( $N$-cyano-guanyl)-3,5-dimethyl-1,2,4-triazole was placed in 10 ml water medium and stirred for half an hour at room temperature. The resulting solution was filtrated and evaporated. After a few weeks, colorless block crystals of the title compound were obtained.

## Refinement

The H atoms were placed at calculated positions and treated as riding atoms ( $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} 0.87 \AA$; C-H $0.97 \AA$ ), with a displacement parameter $U_{\text {iso }}$ set equal to $1.2(\mathrm{NH})$ or $1.5(\mathrm{CH} 3)$ times $U_{\text {eq }}$ of the parent atom.

Figures


Fig. 1. The molecular structure and atom-labeling scheme of (I). Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the $30 \%$ probability level.
Fig. 2. A two-dimensional supramolecular sheet structure of the title compound. The purple dashed lines represent the pi-pi interactions

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$Z=8$
$F_{000}=688$
$D_{\mathrm{x}}=1.372 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$
Mo K $\alpha$ radiation
$\lambda=0.71073 \AA$
Cell parameters from 2686 reflections
$\theta=3.0-25.3^{\circ}$
$\mu=0.10 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$
$T=223$ (2) K
Block, colorless
$0.60 \times 0.32 \times 0.10 \mathrm{~mm}$

## Data collection

Rigaku Mercury CCD
diffractometer
Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube
Monochromator: graphite
Detector resolution: 7.31 pixels $\mathrm{mm}^{-1}$
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$\omega$ scans
Absorption correction: multi-scan
(CrystalClear; Rigaku, 1999)
$T_{\text {min }}=0.913, T_{\text {max }}=0.990$
7476 measured reflections

1451 independent reflections
1287 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$
$R_{\mathrm{int}}=0.031$
$\theta_{\text {max }}=25.4^{\circ}$
$\theta_{\min }=3.1^{\circ}$
$h=-20 \rightarrow 23$
$k=-8 \rightarrow 9$
$l=-17 \rightarrow 17$

## Refinement

## Refinement on $F^{2}$

Least-squares matrix: full
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.046$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.114$
$S=1.15$
1451 reflections

H -atom parameters constrained

$$
w=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{\mathrm{o}}^{2}\right)+(0.0298 P)^{2}+0.2298 P\right]
$$

where $P=\left(F_{\mathrm{o}}{ }^{2}+2 F_{\mathrm{c}}{ }^{2}\right) / 3$
$(\Delta / \sigma)_{\text {max }}<0.001$
$\Delta \rho_{\text {max }}=0.21 \mathrm{e}^{-3}$
$\Delta \rho_{\text {min }}=-0.23 \mathrm{e} \AA^{-3}$
Extinction correction: none

112 parameters

## Special details

Geometry. All e.s.d.'s (except the e.s.d. in the dihedral angle between two 1.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 1.s. planes.

Refinement. Refinement of $\mathrm{F}^{2}$ against ALL reflections. The weighted $R$-factor $w R$ and goodness of fit S are based on $\mathrm{F}^{2}$, conventional $R$-factors $R$ are based on F , with F set to zero for negative $\mathrm{F}^{2}$. The threshold expression of $\mathrm{F}^{2}>2 \operatorname{sigma}\left(\mathrm{~F}^{2}\right)$ is used only for calculating $R$-factors(gt) etc. and is not relevant to the choice of reflections for refinement. $R$-factors based on $\mathrm{F}^{2}$ 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 $\left(A^{2}\right)$

|  | $x$ | $y$ | $z$ | $U_{\text {iso }} * / U_{\text {eq }}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| N1 | $0.51254(9)$ | $0.2511(2)$ | $0.51554(13)$ | $0.0268(4)$ |
| N 2 | $0.50709(10)$ | $0.1760(2)$ | $0.42335(13)$ | $0.0309(4)$ |
| N 3 | $0.36702(10)$ | $0.2194(2)$ | $0.35514(13)$ | $0.0299(4)$ |
| N4 | $0.66908(10)$ | $0.2420(2)$ | $0.64689(15)$ | $0.0358(4)$ |
| H4A | 0.7243 | 0.2662 | 0.7161 | $0.043^{*}$ |
| H4B | 0.6606 | 0.1824 | 0.5882 | $0.043^{*}$ |
| N5 | $0.59810(9)$ | $0.3847(2)$ | $0.70749(13)$ | $0.0322(4)$ |
| N6 | $0.74386(11)$ | $0.4863(2)$ | $0.91092(15)$ | $0.0414(5)$ |
| C1 | $0.41881(12)$ | $0.1611(2)$ | $0.32928(16)$ | $0.0293(4)$ |
| C2 | $0.42647(11)$ | $0.2752(2)$ | $0.47144(16)$ | $0.0267(4)$ |
| C3 | $0.37763(13)$ | $0.0909(3)$ | $0.20509(17)$ | $0.0410(5)$ |
| H3A | 0.4257 | 0.0523 | 0.2077 | $0.062^{*}$ |
| H3B | 0.3419 | 0.1838 | 0.1428 | $0.062^{*}$ |
| H3C | 0.3383 | -0.0092 | 0.1836 | $0.062^{*}$ |
| C4 | $0.40302(13)$ | $0.3484(3)$ | $0.54191(18)$ | $0.0381(5)$ |
| H4C | 0.3373 | 0.3447 | 0.4899 | $0.057 *$ |
| H4D | 0.4240 | 0.4706 | 0.5654 | $0.057^{*}$ |
| H4E | 0.4323 | 0.2777 | 0.6166 | $0.057^{*}$ |
| C5 | $0.59893(11)$ | $0.2951(2)$ | $0.63111(16)$ | $0.0267(4)$ |
| C6 | $0.67833(12)$ | $0.4345(3)$ | $0.81600(16)$ | $0.0310(4)$ |

Atomic displacement parameters $\left(A^{2}\right)$

|  | $U^{11}$ | $U^{22}$ | $U^{33}$ | $U^{12}$ | $U^{13}$ | $U^{23}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| N1 | $0.0182(7)$ | $0.0361(9)$ | $0.0198(7)$ | $-0.0006(6)$ | $0.0102(6)$ | $-0.0031(6)$ |
| N2 | $0.0247(8)$ | $0.0407(9)$ | $0.0251(8)$ | $0.0001(7)$ | $0.0158(7)$ | $-0.0059(7)$ |
| N3 | $0.0216(8)$ | $0.0396(9)$ | $0.0221(8)$ | $-0.0016(6)$ | $0.0121(7)$ | $-0.0004(6)$ |
| N4 | $0.0180(7)$ | $0.0537(10)$ | $0.0258(8)$ | $-0.0005(7)$ | $0.0107(7)$ | $-0.0085(7)$ |
| N5 | $0.0228(8)$ | $0.0433(9)$ | $0.0240(8)$ | $-0.0043(7)$ | $0.0131(7)$ | $-0.0066(7)$ |
| N6 | $0.0356(9)$ | $0.0566(11)$ | $0.0273(9)$ | $-0.0093(8)$ | $0.0192(8)$ | $-0.0086(8)$ |
| C1 | $0.0229(9)$ | $0.0361(10)$ | $0.0240(9)$ | $-0.0015(7)$ | $0.0138(8)$ | $-0.0022(8)$ |


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| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| C2 | $0.0197(9)$ | $0.0321(10)$ | $0.0235(9)$ | $-0.0010(7)$ | $0.0125(8)$ | $0.0017(7)$ |
| C3 | $0.0335(10)$ | $0.0542(13)$ | $0.0277(10)$ | $-0.0046(9)$ | $0.0174(9)$ | $-0.0094(9)$ |
| C4 | $0.0261(9)$ | $0.0567(13)$ | $0.0314(10)$ | $-0.0018(9)$ | $0.0193(9)$ | $-0.0049(9)$ |
| C5 | $0.0200(9)$ | $0.0325(10)$ | $0.0213(9)$ | $-0.0008(7)$ | $0.0113(8)$ | $0.0019(7)$ |
| C6 | $0.0291(10)$ | $0.0386(10)$ | $0.0255(10)$ | $-0.0015(8)$ | $0.0185(9)$ | $-0.0013(8)$ |

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

|  |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{N} 1 — \mathrm{~N} 2$ |  |
| $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 5$ |  |
| $\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 1$ |  |
| N3-C2 |  |
| N3-C1 |  |
| N4-C5 |  |
| N4-H4A |  |
| N4-H4B |  |
| N5-C5 |  |
| C2-N1-N2 |  |
| C2-N1-C5 |  |
| N2-N1-C5 |  |
| C1-N2-N1 |  |
| C2-N3-C1 |  |
| C5-N4-H4A |  |
| C5-N4-H4B |  |
| H4A-N4-H4B |  |
| C5-N5-C6 |  |
| N2-C1-N3 |  |
| N2-C1-C3 |  |
| N3-C1-C3 |  |
| N3-C2-N1 |  |
| N3-C2-C4 |  |
| N1-C2-C4 |  |
| $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{H} 3 \mathrm{~A}$ |  |
| $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 1$ |  |
| C5-N1-N2-C1 |  |
| $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{N} 3$ |  |
| $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 3$ |  |
| $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{N} 3-\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{N} 2$ |  |
| $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{N} 3-\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 3$ |  |
| $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{N} 3-\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{N} 1$ |  |
| $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{N} 3-\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{C} 4$ |  |
| N2-N1-C2-N3 |  |


| 1.371 (2) | N6-C6 | 1.150 (2) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1.383 (2) | C1-C3 | 1.483 (3) |
| 1.407 (2) | C2-C4 | 1.480 (3) |
| 1.311 (2) | C3-H3A | 0.9700 |
| 1.314 (2) | C3-H3B | 0.9700 |
| 1.377 (2) | $\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{H} 3 \mathrm{C}$ | 0.9700 |
| 1.308 (2) | $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{H} 4 \mathrm{C}$ | 0.9700 |
| 0.8700 | C4-H4D | 0.9700 |
| 0.8700 | C4-H4E | 0.9700 |
| 1.303 (2) |  |  |
| 109.78 (14) | $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{H} 3 \mathrm{~B}$ | 109.5 |
| 131.16 (15) | H3A-C3-H3B | 109.5 |
| 119.01 (15) | $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{H} 3 \mathrm{C}$ | 109.5 |
| 102.74 (14) | H3A-C3-H3C | 109.5 |
| 105.05 (14) | H3B-C3-H3C | 109.5 |
| 120.0 | $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{H} 4 \mathrm{C}$ | 109.5 |
| 120.0 | C2-C4-H4D | 109.5 |
| 120.0 | H4C-C4-H4D | 109.5 |
| 117.34 (16) | C2-C4-H4E | 109.5 |
| 114.01 (16) | H4C-C4-H4E | 109.5 |
| 123.39 (17) | H4D-C4-H4E | 109.5 |
| 122.59 (16) | N5-C5-N4 | 128.79 (16) |
| 108.42 (15) | N5-C5-N1 | 115.46 (16) |
| 125.03 (16) | N4-C5-N1 | 115.75 (16) |
| 126.54 (16) | N6-C6-N5 | 174.5 (2) |
| 109.5 |  |  |
| 0.66 (19) | C5-N1-C2-N3 | 177.03 (17) |
| -177.05 (15) | $\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{C} 4$ | 178.65 (17) |
| -0.8 (2) | C5-N1-C2-C4 | -4.0 (3) |
| 178.20 (17) | C6-N5-C5-N4 | 1.7 (3) |
| 0.6 (2) | C6-N5-C5-N1 | -177.64 (16) |
| -178.36 (18) | C2-N1-C5-N5 | -5.2 (3) |
| -0.2 (2) | N2-N1-C5-N5 | 171.93 (15) |
| -179.15 (18) | $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 5-\mathrm{N} 4$ | 175.38 (18) |
| -0.3 (2) | N2-N1-C5-N4 | -7.5 (2) |

## Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $A,{ }^{\circ}$ )

| $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H}$ | $\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{~N} 4-\mathrm{H} 4 \mathrm{~A} \cdots \mathrm{~N} 3^{\mathrm{i}}$ | 0.87 | 2.10 | $2.937(2)$ | 162 |

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| N4—H4B $\cdots \mathrm{N}^{\mathrm{ii}}$ | 0.87 | 2.39 | $3.047(2)$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Symmetry codes: (i) $x+1 / 2,-y+1 / 2, z+1 / 2 ;$ (ii) $-x+3 / 2, y-1 / 2,-z+3 / 2$. |  | 133 |  |

Fig. 1

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Fig. 2


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Fig. 3

| $D \cdot \mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H}$ | $\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D \cdot \mathrm{H} \cdots A$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{~N} 4-\mathrm{H} 4 \mathrm{~A} \cdots \mathrm{~N} 3^{\mathrm{i}}$ | 0.870 | 2.096 | $2.936(9)$ | 162 |
| $\mathrm{~N} 4-\mathrm{H} 4 \mathrm{~B} \cdots \mathrm{~N} 6^{\mathrm{I}}$ | 0.870 | 2.389 | $3.047(4)$ | 133 |

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

