organic compounds

 $\mu = 5.04 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 200 (2) K

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.040$

 $0.14 \times 0.09 \times 0.03$ mm

19593 measured reflections

Only H-atom displacement

parameters refined

 $\Delta \rho_{\text{max}} = 0.29 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$

 $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.59 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$

1844 independent reflections

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2-Bromobenzaldehyde cyanohydrin

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; T = 200 K; mean σ (C–C) = 0.004 Å; R factor = 0.032; wR factor = 0.083; data-to-parameter ratio = 18.1.

The title compound [alternatively called (2-bromophenyl)-(hydroxy)acetonitrile], C_8H_6BrNO , is the reaction product of 2-bromobenzaldehyde and hydrogen cyanide. Bond lengths and angles are normal. In the crystal structure, an intermolecular hydrogen bond between the hydroxy group and the nitrile N atom is established. In agreement with bonding considerations, a linear $C-N\cdots H$ acceptor geometry is observed. Each molecule is a single donor and a single acceptor; extended hydrogen-bonded chains are formed along [100].

Related literature

For the synthesis of the title compound, see: Becker *et al.* (2001). For the crystal structure of a related compound, see: Flores-Morales *et al.* (2003). For bond-length data, see: Allen *et al.* (1987).



a = 8.0538 (3) Å

b = 13.9970(5) Å

c = 14.2969 (5) Å

Experimental

Crystal data
C ₈ H ₆ BrNO
$M_r = 212.05$
Orthorhombic, Pbca

V = 1611.68 (10) Å	13
Z = 8	
Mo $K\alpha$ radiation	

Data collection

Nonius KappaCCD diffractometer Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 2001) $T_{min} = 0.624, T_{max} = 0.86$

Refinement

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.032$ $wR(F^2) = 0.083$ S = 1.021844 reflections 102 parameters

Table 1 Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

 $D-H\cdots A$ D-H $H\cdots A$ D

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
$O-H82\cdots N^i$	0.84	2.01	2.844 (3)	170
Symmetry code: (i)	$x - \frac{1}{2}, -y + \frac{1}{2}, -$	-z.		

Data collection: *COLLECT* (Nonius, 2004); cell refinement: *SCALEPACK* (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997); data reduction: *SCALEPACK* and *DENZO* (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEPIII* (Burnett & Johnson, 1996); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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Comment

The title compound was prepared as in intermediate in the synthesis of 2-bromomandelic acid.

In the title compound a phenyl moiety, a hydroxy group and a cyano group are bonded to one C atom. The aromatic moiety bears a Br atom in 2- position to this C atom (Fig. 1). Bond lengths and angles show no significant deviations from values apparent in the literature for similar bonds (Allen *et al.*, 1987).

In the crystal structure, hydrogen bonds between the hydroxy groups and the N atom result in the formation of infinite chains along [100]. The aromatic moieties are arranged parallel to each other (Fig. 2).

Experimental

The title compound was obtained as an intermediate in the synthesis of 2-bromomandelic acid according to a published procedure (Becker *et al.*, 2001) upon addition of 2-bromobenzaldehyde to an acidified aqueous solution of potassium cyanide. After workup, crystals suitable for X-ray analysis were obtained upon free evaporation of a solution of the compound in diethylether.

Refinement

All H atoms were located in a difference map and refined as riding on their parent atoms. One common isotropic displacement parameter for all H atoms was refined.

Figures



Fig. 1. The molecular structure with atom labels and anisotropic displacement ellipsoids (drawn at 50% probability level) for non-H atoms.



Fig. 2. The packing of viewed along [-1 0 0]. Hydrogen bonds are drawn as yellow bars.

(2-bromophenyl)(hydroxy)acetonitrile

Crystal data	
C ₈ H ₆ BrNO	$F_{000} = 832$
$M_r = 212.05$	$D_{\rm x} = 1.748 {\rm Mg} {\rm m}^{-3}$
Orthorhombic, Pbca	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å
Hall symbol: -P 2ac 2ab	Cell parameters from 10818 reflections
a = 8.0538 (3) Å	$\theta = 3.1 - 27.5^{\circ}$
<i>b</i> = 13.9970 (5) Å	$\mu = 5.04 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
c = 14.2969 (5) Å	T = 200 (2) K
$V = 1611.68 (10) \text{ Å}^3$	Platelet, colourless
Z = 8	$0.14 \times 0.09 \times 0.03 \text{ mm}$

Data collection

Nonius KappaCCD diffractometer	1844 independent reflections
Radiation source: rotating anode	1351 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
Monochromator: MONTEL, graded multilayered X-ray optics	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.040$
T = 200(2) K	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.5^{\circ}$
CCD; rotation images; thick slices scans	$\theta_{\min} = 3.3^{\circ}$
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 2001)	$h = -10 \rightarrow 10$
$T_{\min} = 0.624, \ T_{\max} = 0.86$	$k = -18 \rightarrow 15$
19593 measured reflections	$l = -18 \rightarrow 17$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map
Least-squares matrix: full	Hydrogen site location: difference Fourier map
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.032$	Only H-atom displacement parameters refined
$wR(F^2) = 0.083$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.038P)^2 + 1.1081P]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
<i>S</i> = 1.02	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$
1844 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{max} = 0.29 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
102 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{min} = -0.59 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct	

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

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (\hat{A}^2)

	x	у	Ζ	$U_{\rm iso}*/U_{\rm eq}$
Br	0.25307 (3)	0.16689 (2)	0.310767 (19)	0.04887 (13)

0	0.1470 (3)	0.09045 (13)	0.01121 (14)	0.0533 (5)
H82	0.0823	0.1302	-0.0135	0.055 (3)*
Ν	0.4211 (3)	0.26649 (17)	0.05011 (16)	0.0501 (6)
C1	0.3312 (3)	0.20716 (18)	0.07017 (16)	0.0367 (5)
C2	0.2128 (3)	0.12902 (19)	0.09341 (17)	0.0364 (5)
H2	0.1206	0.1552	0.1327	0.055 (3)*
C3	0.3037 (3)	0.05167 (17)	0.14759 (16)	0.0309 (5)
C4	0.3299 (3)	0.05819 (17)	0.24325 (16)	0.0330 (5)
C5	0.4107 (3)	-0.01275 (19)	0.29246 (18)	0.0410 (6)
Н5	0.4253	-0.0075	0.3582	0.055 (3)*
C6	0.4697 (4)	-0.09138 (18)	0.2449 (2)	0.0469 (7)
Н6	0.5261	-0.1405	0.2779	0.055 (3)*
C7	0.4473 (3)	-0.09931 (18)	0.1491 (2)	0.0443 (6)
H7	0.4899	-0.1531	0.1164	0.055 (3)*
C8	0.3623 (3)	-0.02833 (17)	0.10115 (18)	0.0392 (6)
H8	0.3442	-0.0347	0.0358	0.055 (3)*

Atomic displacement parameters (\AA^2)

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
Br	0.0455 (2)	0.0566 (2)	0.04446 (19)	0.00087 (13)	-0.00098 (12)	-0.01748 (11)
0	0.0627 (14)	0.0467 (11)	0.0505 (12)	0.0086 (9)	-0.0308 (10)	-0.0072 (9)
Ν	0.0567 (15)	0.0477 (14)	0.0458 (13)	-0.0024 (12)	0.0043 (11)	0.0100 (11)
C1	0.0415 (14)	0.0352 (13)	0.0334 (12)	0.0049 (12)	0.0002 (11)	0.0049 (10)
C2	0.0362 (13)	0.0366 (13)	0.0363 (12)	0.0030 (11)	-0.0045 (10)	-0.0020 (11)
C3	0.0259 (10)	0.0319 (11)	0.0350 (12)	-0.0025 (9)	-0.0007 (10)	0.0051 (10)
C4	0.0272 (12)	0.0357 (12)	0.0361 (12)	-0.0071 (10)	0.0011 (10)	-0.0009 (10)
C5	0.0396 (14)	0.0482 (15)	0.0352 (12)	-0.0121 (12)	-0.0060 (11)	0.0110 (11)
C6	0.0435 (16)	0.0375 (14)	0.0596 (18)	-0.0003 (12)	-0.0086 (14)	0.0154 (13)
C7	0.0455 (16)	0.0302 (13)	0.0573 (17)	0.0032 (11)	-0.0012 (13)	-0.0015 (12)
C8	0.0427 (14)	0.0371 (14)	0.0378 (12)	-0.0015 (11)	0.0004 (11)	0.0001 (10)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

Br—C4	1.905 (2)	C4—C5	1.380 (3)
O—C2	1.398 (3)	C5—C6	1.379 (4)
O—H82	0.8400	С5—Н5	0.9500
N—C1	1.138 (3)	C6—C7	1.386 (4)
C1—C2	1.489 (4)	С6—Н6	0.9500
C2—C3	1.519 (3)	С7—С8	1.387 (4)
С2—Н2	1.0000	С7—Н7	0.9500
C3—C8	1.385 (3)	С8—Н8	0.9500
C3—C4	1.387 (3)		
С2—О—Н82	109.5	C3—C4—Br	120.18 (17)
N—C1—C2	178.3 (3)	C6—C5—C4	119.0 (2)
O—C2—C1	109.8 (2)	С6—С5—Н5	120.5
O—C2—C3	109.6 (2)	С4—С5—Н5	120.5
C1—C2—C3	109.2 (2)	C5—C6—C7	120.5 (2)

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О—С2—Н2	109.4	С5—С6—Н6	119.8
C1—C2—H2	109.4	С7—С6—Н6	119.8
С3—С2—Н2	109.4	C6—C7—C8	119.7 (2)
C8—C3—C4	118.3 (2)	С6—С7—Н7	120.2
C8—C3—C2	119.7 (2)	С8—С7—Н7	120.2
C4—C3—C2	122.0 (2)	C3—C8—C7	120.7 (2)
C5—C4—C3	121.8 (2)	С3—С8—Н8	119.6
C5—C4—Br	118.01 (19)	С7—С8—Н8	119.6
0	22.9 (3)	C3—C4—C5—C6	1.3 (4)
C1—C2—C3—C8	-97.4 (3)	Br—C4—C5—C6	-178.99 (19)
O—C2—C3—C4	-156.8 (2)	C4—C5—C6—C7	-0.4 (4)
C1—C2—C3—C4	82.9 (3)	C5—C6—C7—C8	-1.1 (4)
C8—C3—C4—C5	-0.6 (3)	C4—C3—C8—C7	-1.0 (4)
C2—C3—C4—C5	179.1 (2)	C2—C3—C8—C7	179.3 (2)
C8—C3—C4—Br	179.68 (18)	C6—C7—C8—C3	1.8 (4)
C2—C3—C4—Br	-0.6 (3)		

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

D—H···A	<i>D</i> —Н	H···A	$D \cdots A$	D—H···A
O—H82····N ⁱ	0.84	2.01	2.844 (3)	170
Symmetry codes: (i) $x - 1/2, -y + 1/2, -z$.				





