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12286 measured reflections

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.041$

2372 independent reflections

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Ethyl 3-nitro-4-(propylamino)benzoate

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; T = 100 K; mean σ (C–C) = 0.005 Å; R factor = 0.076; wR factor = 0.252; data-to-parameter ratio = 14.0.

In the title compound, $C_{12}H_{16}N_2O_4$, intramolecular N-H···O and C-H···O hydrogen bonds generate S(6) and S(5) ring motifs, respectively. The nitro group is almost coplanar with the benzene ring, forming a dihedral angle of 6.2 $(2)^{\circ}$. In the crystal structure, neighbouring molecules are linked together by intermolecular N-H···O and O···O interactions. Of interest are the short intermolecular $O \cdots O$ interactions which cause a stacking arrangement of the molecules along the aaxis.

Related literature

For related literature on hydrogen-bond motifs, see: Bernstein et al. (1995). For bond-length data, see: Allen et al. (1987). For related literature, see: Ishida et al. (2006); Vinodkumar et al. (2008). Rida et al. (2005); Harikrishnan et al. (2008); Moore et al. (2005).



Experimental

Crystal data

$C_{12}H_{16}N_2O_4$	$\gamma = 83.494 \ (4)^{\circ}$
$M_r = 252.27$	V = 611.57 (8) Å ³
Triclinic, $P\overline{1}$	Z = 2
a = 4.4914 (4) Å	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
b = 12.0828 (9) Å	$\mu = 0.10 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
c = 12.8763 (9) Å	T = 100.0 (1) K
$\alpha = 62.494 \ (4)^{\circ}$	$0.51 \times 0.26 \times 0.26 \ \mathrm{mm}$
$\beta = 81.055 \ (4)^{\circ}$	

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Bruker SMART APEXII CCD area-detector diffractometer Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 2005) $T_{\min} = 0.949, \ T_{\max} = 0.974$

Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.076$	H atoms treated by a mixture of
$wR(F^2) = 0.252$	independent and constrained
S = 1.17	refinement
2372 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.47 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
169 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.33 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

Table 1

Selected interatomic distances (Å).

O1···O1 ⁱ	2.914 (5)	$O1{\cdots}O1^{ii}$	2.984 (5)
Symmetry codes: (i) $-x$,	-y + 1, -z + 1; (ii	-x+1, -y+1, -z+1.	

Table 2

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
$N1-H1N1\cdotsO1$ $N1-H1N1\cdotsO1^{i}$ $C2-H2A\cdotsO2$	0.85 (5) 0.85 (5) 0.93	2.00 (6) 2.28 (5) 2.35	2.633 (5) 2.998 (4) 2.674 (4)	131 (5) 141 (5) 100

Symmetry code: (i) -x, -y + 1, -z + 1.

Data collection: APEX2 (Bruker, 2005); cell refinement: APEX2; data reduction: SAINT (Bruker, 2005); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXTL; molecular graphics: SHELXTL; software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL and PLATON (Spek, 2003).

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Comment

The benzoic acid cores are precursors to many medicinally important heterocycles, *e.g.* benzimidazoles (Ishida *et al.*, 2006; Vinodkumar *et al.*, 2008) and benzoxazoles (Rida *et al.*, 2005; Harikrishnan *et al.*, 2008). Using Moore's procedure (Moore *et al.*, 2005) with some modifications, we attempted the derivatization of nitro benzoic acid precursors, which led to the synthesis of the title compound (I) bearing a propylamine motif. Its crystal structure has been determined and is presented here.

In the title compound (I), (Fig. 1), intramolecular N—H···O and C—H···O hydrogen bonds generate S(6) and S(5) ring motifs, respectively (Bernstein *et al.*, 1995). The bond lengths and angles are within normal ranges (Allen *et al.*, 1987). The nitro group is almost coplanar with the benzene ring with torsion angle of -6.4 (5)°. In the crystal structure (Fig. 2), neighbouring molecules are linked together by intermolecular N—H···O and O···O interactions. The interesting feature of the crystal structure is the short intermolecular O···O [symmetry codes: -*x*, 1 - *y*, 1 - *z*; 1 - *x*, 1 - *y*, 1 - *z*] interactions (Table 2) with distances of 2.914 (5) and 2.984 (5) Å which are shorter than the sum of the van der Waals radii of oxygen atoms. These interactions along with the intermolecular N—H···O interactions stack the molecules along the *a* axis.

Experimental

The title compound (I) was synthesized by adding *N*,*N*-diisopropyl ethylamine (DIPEA) (0.20 ml, 1.12 mmol) dropwise to a stirred solution of ethyl 4-fluoro-3-nitrobenzoate (200 mg, 0.93 mmol) in dry dichloromethane (10 ml). Propylamine (0.10 ml, 1.03 mmol) was added slowly with stirring, and then the mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature under N₂. After completion of the reaction, the mixture was washed with 10% Na₂CO₃ (10 ml). The aqueous layer was washed again with dichloromethane (3 x 15 ml). The organic fractions were pooled and dried over MgSO₄ and the solvent was removed by rotary evaporator. Recrystallization with hot hexane afforded the desired compound (I) as yellow needle-like crystals.

Refinement

The H-atom bound to N1 was located from the difference Fourier map and refined freely. The rest of the hydrogen atoms were positioned geometrically [C—H = 0.93–0.97 Å] and refined using a riding model with $U_{iso} = 1.2$ or $1.5U_{eq}(C)$. A rotating-group model was used for the methyl groups.

Figures



Fig. 1. The molecular structure of the title compound, showing 50% probability displacement ellipsoids and the atomic numbering. Intramolecular hydrogen bonds are drawn as dashed lines.



Fig. 2. The crystal packing of (I), showing stacking arrangement viewed down the *a*-axis. In-tramolecular and intermolecular interactions are drawn as dashed lines.

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$C_{12}H_{16}N_2O_4$	Z = 2
$M_r = 252.27$	$F_{000} = 268$
Triclinic, <i>P</i> T	$D_{\rm x} = 1.370 {\rm ~Mg~m}^{-3}$
Hall symbol: -P 1	Mo K α radiation $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å
<i>a</i> = 4.4914 (4) Å	Cell parameters from 6896 reflections
b = 12.0828 (9) Å	$\theta = 3.2 - 33.0^{\circ}$
c = 12.8763 (9) Å	$\mu = 0.10 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\alpha = 62.494 \ (4)^{\circ}$	T = 100.0 (1) K
$\beta = 81.055 \ (4)^{\circ}$	Needle, yellow
$\gamma = 83.494 \ (4)^{\circ}$	$0.51 \times 0.26 \times 0.26 \text{ mm}$
$V = 611.57 (8) \text{ Å}^3$	

Data collection

Bruker SMART APEXII CCD area-detector diffractometer	2372 independent reflections
Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube	1946 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
Monochromator: graphite	$R_{\rm int} = 0.041$
T = 100.0(1) K	$\theta_{\rm max} = 26.0^{\circ}$
φ and ω scans	$\theta_{\min} = 1.8^{\circ}$
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 2005)	$h = -5 \rightarrow 5$
$T_{\min} = 0.949, \ T_{\max} = 0.974$	$k = -14 \rightarrow 14$
12286 measured reflections	$l = -15 \rightarrow 15$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map
Least-squares matrix: full	Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.076$	H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement
$wR(F^2) = 0.252$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_0^2) + (0.1098P)^2 + 1.609P]$ where $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
<i>S</i> = 1.17	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$
2372 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{max} = 0.47 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
169 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{min} = -0.33 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$

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

Special details

Experimental. The low-temperature data was collected with the Oxford Cyrosystem Cobra low-temperature attachment.

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 $F^2 > \sigma(F^2)$ 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.

	x	У	Ζ	$U_{\rm iso}$ */ $U_{\rm eq}$
01	0.2464 (7)	0.4136 (3)	0.5558 (2)	0.0326 (7)
O2	0.5971 (6)	0.2725 (2)	0.6301 (2)	0.0316 (7)
O3	0.8766 (6)	0.1455 (2)	1.0099 (2)	0.0239 (6)
O4	0.7178 (6)	0.2578 (2)	1.1092 (2)	0.0272 (6)
N1	0.0274 (7)	0.5600 (3)	0.6530 (3)	0.0217 (7)
N2	0.4117 (7)	0.3535 (3)	0.6346 (3)	0.0228 (7)
C1	0.3823 (8)	0.3799 (3)	0.7345 (3)	0.0195 (7)
C2	0.5528 (8)	0.3013 (3)	0.8258 (3)	0.0200 (7)
H2A	0.6775	0.2374	0.8192	0.024*
C3	0.5379 (8)	0.3177 (3)	0.9255 (3)	0.0200 (7)
C4	0.3490 (8)	0.4159 (3)	0.9327 (3)	0.0210 (7)
H4A	0.3358	0.4274	0.9999	0.025*
C5	0.1849 (8)	0.4945 (3)	0.8436 (3)	0.0215 (7)
H5A	0.0650	0.5589	0.8512	0.026*
C6	0.1917 (8)	0.4809 (3)	0.7389 (3)	0.0203 (7)
C7	-0.1636 (8)	0.6655 (3)	0.6552 (3)	0.0223 (7)
H7A	-0.2755	0.6388	0.7330	0.027*
H7B	-0.3086	0.6895	0.5991	0.027*
C8	0.0108 (8)	0.7792 (3)	0.6262 (3)	0.0238 (8)
H8A	0.1518	0.7572	0.6834	0.029*
H8B	0.1251	0.8065	0.5488	0.029*
С9	-0.2061 (9)	0.8850 (3)	0.6280 (3)	0.0281 (8)
H9A	-0.0932	0.9532	0.6169	0.042*
H9B	-0.3304	0.8557	0.7025	0.042*
Н9С	-0.3313	0.9126	0.5657	0.042*
C10	0.7166 (8)	0.2397 (3)	1.0240 (3)	0.0212 (7)
C11	1.0559 (8)	0.0633 (3)	1.1042 (3)	0.0253 (8)
H11A	1.1345	0.1115	1.1358	0.030*
H11B	1.2257	0.0261	1.0728	0.030*
C12	0.8678 (9)	-0.0386 (3)	1.2015 (3)	0.0292 (8)

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (A^2)

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H12A	0.9926	-0.0943	1.2607	0.044*
H12B	0.7837	-0.0843	1.1696	0.044*
H12C	0.7077	-0.0020	1.2361	0.044*
H1N1	0.031 (11)	0.547 (4)	0.593 (5)	0.038 (13)*

Atomic displacement parameters (\AA^2)

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
01	0.0432 (16)	0.0348 (15)	0.0271 (14)	0.0142 (12)	-0.0198 (12)	-0.0189 (12)
O2	0.0420 (16)	0.0317 (14)	0.0240 (14)	0.0155 (12)	-0.0099 (11)	-0.0171 (11)
O3	0.0281 (13)	0.0254 (13)	0.0187 (12)	0.0036 (10)	-0.0072 (10)	-0.0099 (10)
O4	0.0372 (15)	0.0284 (13)	0.0185 (12)	0.0009 (11)	-0.0075 (10)	-0.0120 (11)
N1	0.0265 (16)	0.0218 (14)	0.0198 (15)	0.0033 (12)	-0.0064 (12)	-0.0117 (12)
N2	0.0290 (16)	0.0206 (14)	0.0189 (14)	0.0030 (12)	-0.0069 (12)	-0.0087 (12)
C1	0.0248 (17)	0.0185 (16)	0.0145 (16)	-0.0023 (13)	-0.0022 (13)	-0.0065 (13)
C2	0.0232 (17)	0.0182 (15)	0.0186 (16)	-0.0010 (13)	-0.0024 (13)	-0.0084 (13)
C3	0.0211 (17)	0.0211 (16)	0.0170 (16)	-0.0035 (13)	-0.0014 (13)	-0.0077 (13)
C4	0.0275 (18)	0.0212 (16)	0.0143 (15)	-0.0045 (13)	-0.0003 (13)	-0.0080 (13)
C5	0.0228 (17)	0.0216 (16)	0.0201 (17)	-0.0017 (13)	-0.0005 (13)	-0.0100 (14)
C6	0.0200 (16)	0.0200 (16)	0.0199 (17)	-0.0032 (13)	-0.0015 (13)	-0.0080 (13)
C7	0.0235 (17)	0.0215 (17)	0.0219 (17)	0.0052 (13)	-0.0060 (13)	-0.0101 (14)
C8	0.0248 (18)	0.0235 (17)	0.0215 (17)	0.0016 (14)	-0.0030 (13)	-0.0094 (14)
C9	0.033 (2)	0.0240 (18)	0.0261 (19)	0.0008 (15)	-0.0019 (15)	-0.0112 (15)
C10	0.0228 (17)	0.0204 (16)	0.0188 (16)	-0.0036 (13)	-0.0012 (13)	-0.0074 (13)
C11	0.0249 (18)	0.0290 (18)	0.0208 (17)	0.0048 (14)	-0.0080 (14)	-0.0101 (15)
C12	0.034 (2)	0.0262 (18)	0.0247 (19)	0.0051 (15)	-0.0066 (15)	-0.0101 (15)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

O1—N2	1.241 (4)	C5—C6	1.426 (5)
O2—N2	1.228 (4)	C5—H5A	0.9300
O3—C10	1.345 (4)	С7—С8	1.524 (5)
O3—C11	1.455 (4)	С7—Н7А	0.9700
O4—C10	1.214 (4)	С7—Н7В	0.9700
N1—C6	1.342 (4)	C8—C9	1.523 (5)
N1—C7	1.462 (4)	C8—H8A	0.9700
N1—H1N1	0.86 (5)	C8—H8B	0.9700
N2—C1	1.445 (4)	С9—Н9А	0.9600
C1—C2	1.398 (5)	С9—Н9В	0.9600
C1—C6	1.428 (5)	С9—Н9С	0.9600
C2—C3	1.378 (5)	C11—C12	1.511 (5)
C2—H2A	0.9300	C11—H11A	0.9700
C3—C4	1.409 (5)	C11—H11B	0.9700
C3—C10	1.477 (5)	C12—H12A	0.9600
C4—C5	1.364 (5)	C12—H12B	0.9600
C4—H4A	0.9300	C12—H12C	0.9600
01…01 ⁱ	2.914 (5)	01…01 ⁱⁱ	2.984 (5)
C10—O3—C11	116.1 (3)	С8—С7—Н7В	108.8

C6—N1—C7	125.0 (3)	H7A—C7—H7B	107.7
C6—N1—H1N1	118 (3)	C9—C8—C7	110.2 (3)
C7—N1—H1N1	117 (3)	С9—С8—Н8А	109.6
O2—N2—O1	121.8 (3)	С7—С8—Н8А	109.6
O2—N2—C1	119.5 (3)	С9—С8—Н8В	109.6
O1—N2—C1	118.6 (3)	С7—С8—Н8В	109.6
C2—C1—C6	122.1 (3)	H8A—C8—H8B	108.1
C2	116.1 (3)	С8—С9—Н9А	109.5
C6—C1—N2	121.8 (3)	С8—С9—Н9В	109.5
C3—C2—C1	120.6 (3)	Н9А—С9—Н9В	109.5
C3—C2—H2A	119.7	С8—С9—Н9С	109.5
C1—C2—H2A	119.7	Н9А—С9—Н9С	109.5
C2—C3—C4	118.4 (3)	Н9В—С9—Н9С	109.5
C2—C3—C10	123.3 (3)	O4—C10—O3	123.5 (3)
C4—C3—C10	118.2 (3)	O4—C10—C3	123.7 (3)
C5—C4—C3	121.6 (3)	O3—C10—C3	112.8 (3)
C5—C4—H4A	119.2	O3—C11—C12	110.8 (3)
C3—C4—H4A	119.2	O3—C11—H11A	109.5
C4—C5—C6	122.0 (3)	C12—C11—H11A	109.5
С4—С5—Н5А	119.0	O3—C11—H11B	109.5
С6—С5—Н5А	119.0	C12—C11—H11B	109.5
N1—C6—C5	120.4 (3)	H11A—C11—H11B	108.1
N1—C6—C1	124.4 (3)	C11—C12—H12A	109.5
C5—C6—C1	115.2 (3)	C11—C12—H12B	109.5
N1—C7—C8	113.8 (3)	H12A—C12—H12B	109.5
N1—C7—H7A	108.8	C11—C12—H12C	109.5
С8—С7—Н7А	108.8	H12A—C12—H12C	109.5
N1—C7—H7B	108.8	H12B-C12-H12C	109.5
O2—N2—C1—C2	-5.7 (5)	C4—C5—C6—C1	-0.1(5)
O1—N2—C1—C2	174.0 (3)	C2-C1-C6-N1	178.9 (3)
O2—N2—C1—C6	173.9 (3)	N2-C1-C6-N1	-0.5 (5)
O1—N2—C1—C6	-6.5 (5)	C2—C1—C6—C5	-0.9 (5)
C6—C1—C2—C3	1.2 (5)	N2-C1-C6-C5	179.6 (3)
N2—C1—C2—C3	-179.2 (3)	C6—N1—C7—C8	78.2 (4)
C1—C2—C3—C4	-0.5 (5)	N1—C7—C8—C9	178.8 (3)
C1—C2—C3—C10	-178.7 (3)	C11—O3—C10—O4	0.3 (5)
C2—C3—C4—C5	-0.5 (5)	C11—O3—C10—C3	-179.2 (3)
C10—C3—C4—C5	177.8 (3)	C2—C3—C10—O4	175.7 (3)
C3—C4—C5—C6	0.9 (5)	C4—C3—C10—O4	-2.5 (5)
C7—N1—C6—C5	1.2 (5)	C2—C3—C10—O3	-4.8 (5)
C7—N1—C6—C1	-178.6 (3)	C4—C3—C10—O3	177.0 (3)
C4C5C6N1	180.0 (3)	C10—O3—C11—C12	85.5 (4)

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

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

D—H···A	<i>D</i> —Н	H…A	$D \cdots A$	D—H··· A
N1—H1N1…O1	0.85 (5)	2.00 (6)	2.633 (5)	131 (5)
N1—H1N1···O1 ⁱ	0.85 (5)	2.28 (5)	2.998 (4)	141 (5)

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C2—H2A…O2	0.93	2.35	2.674 (4)	100
Symmetry codes: (i) $-x$, $-y+1$, $-z+1$.				

Fig. 1





Fig. 2