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## N-(3,4-Diethoxyphenyl)acetamide

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; T = 293 K; mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.003 Å; *R* factor = 0.044; *wR* factor = 0.119; data-to-parameter ratio = 14.9.

In the title compound,  $C_{12}H_{17}NO_3$ , the conformations of the N-H and C=O bonds are *anti* to each other. In the crystal structure, N-H···O hydrogen-bond interactions help to establish the packing.

#### **Related literature**

For the use of acetamides in the synthesis of biologically active compounds, see: Koike *et al.* (1999). The benzanilide core is present in compounds with a wide range of biological activity and benzanilides and benzamides are also used extensively in organic synthesis (Saeed *et al.*, 2008). Various *N*-substituted benzamides exhibit potent antiemetic activity, see: Vega-Noverola *et al.* (1989).



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#### **Experimental**

Crystal data

| 8.661 (6)   |
|-------------|
| 9.305 (7)   |
| 101.773 (   |
| = 1227.8 (1 |
|             |

| Z = 4                        |
|------------------------------|
| Mo $K\alpha$ radiation       |
| $\mu = 0.09 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ |

#### Data collection

| Bruker SMART CCD area-detector         | 6295 measured reflections              |
|--|--|
| diffractometer                         | 2155 independent reflections           |
| Absorption correction: multi-scan      | 1570 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ |
| (SADABS; Bruker, 2005)                 | $R_{\rm int} = 0.034$                  |
| $T_{\min} = 0.971, \ T_{\max} = 0.975$ |  |
|  |  |

T = 293 K

 $0.24 \times 0.21 \times 0.20 \text{ mm}$ 

#### Refinement

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.044$ 145 parameters $wR(F^2) = 0.119$ H-atom parameters constrainedS = 1.08 $\Delta \rho_{max} = 0.16$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>2155 reflections $\Delta \rho_{min} = -0.25$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

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

| $D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$ | $D-\mathrm{H}$ | $H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$ |
|-----------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|
| $N1 - H1 \cdots O3^i$       | 0.86           | 2.08                    | 2.915 (2)    | 164                                  |
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Symmetry code: (i)  $x, -y + \frac{1}{2}, z + \frac{1}{2}$ .

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2002); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2002); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *ORTEP-3 for Windows* (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *WinGX* (Farrugia, 1999).

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#### Comment

Acetamide is an important class of medical intermidate. Many biologically active compounds are synthesized by using acetamide (Koike *et al.*, 1999). The benzanilide core is present in compounds with a wide range of biological activity and benzanilides and benzamides are also used extensively in organic synthesis (Saeed *et al.*, 2008). Various N-substituted benzamides exhibit potent antiemetic activity (Vega-Noverola *et al.*, 1989). The crystal structure determination of the title compound (I) has been carried out in order to elucidate the molecular conformation.

The molecule of the title compound, (Fig. 1), consists of a phenylacetamide group and two ethoxyl groups. The conformations of the N—H and C=O bonds are anti to each other. The C10—C9—O2—C4 and C8—C7—O1—C3 torsion angles are -173.61 (15)° and 178.46 (15)°, respectively. The title compound forms intermolecular H bonds whereas the N1 act as hydrogen-bond donor and the O3 act as hydrogen-bond acceptor, the distance of the N1—H1…O3 hydrogen bond is 2.915 (2) Å (Table 1). In the crystal structure, N—H…O hydrogen bonds interactions may help to establish the packing.

#### **Experimental**

Ferrous powder (2.20 g, 0.039 mol), water (15 ml) and acetic acid (3 ml) were reflux for 4 h, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature. Then a solution of 1,2-diethoxy-4-nitrobenzene (2.10 g, 0.01 mol) in acetic acid (50 ml) was added to the mixture, the solution was reflux for 6 h. the mixture was filtered, and the resulting solution was added to water (150 ml), much white precipitate was appeared, the mixture was filtered again, the solid product was dissolved in 80 ml ethanol. and then set aside for five days to obtain colourless crystals [yield: 53%].

#### Refinement

All other H atoms were placed in calculated positions and refined as riding, with C—H = 0.93–0.97 Å, N—H = 0.86 Å, and  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2-1.5 U_{eq}(C,N)$ .

#### **Figures**



Fig. 1. The molecular structure of (I) showing the atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.

### N-(3,4-Diethoxyphenyl)acetamide

### Crystal data

C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>17</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>  $M_r = 223.27$ Monoclinic,  $P2_1/c$ Hall symbol: -P 2ybc *a* = 15.563 (8) Å b = 8.661 (6) Åc = 9.305 (7) Å $\beta = 101.773 \ (14)^{\circ}$  $V = 1227.8 (14) \text{ Å}^3$ Z = 4

#### Data collection

| Bruker SMART CCD area-detector<br>diffractometer            | 2155 independent reflections           |
|---|--|
| Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube                    | 1570 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ |
| Monochromator: graphite                                     | $R_{\rm int} = 0.034$                  |
| T = 293  K  | $\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.0^{\circ}$   |
| $\phi$ and $\omega$ scans                                   | $\theta_{\min} = 1.3^{\circ}$          |
| Absorption correction: multi-scan<br>(SADABS; Bruker, 2005) | $h = -18 \rightarrow 16$               |
| $T_{\min} = 0.971, T_{\max} = 0.975$                        | $k = -10 \rightarrow 10$               |
| 6295 measured reflections                                   | $l = -10 \rightarrow 11$               |

#### Refinement

| Refinement on $F^2$                                    | Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier ma                                       |
|--|---|
| Least-squares matrix: full                             | Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites                                  |
| $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.044$                        | H-atom parameters constrained   |
| $wR(F^2) = 0.119$                                      | $w = 1/[\sigma^{2}(F_{o}^{2}) + (0.0639P)^{2}]$<br>where $P = (F_{o}^{2} + 2F_{c}^{2})/3$ |
| <i>S</i> = 1.08  | $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$   |
| 2155 reflections                                       | $\Delta \rho_{max} = 0.16 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$                                     |
| 145 parameters   | $\Delta \rho_{min} = -0.25 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$                                    |
| Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct | Extinction correction: none   |

methods

 $F_{000} = 480$  $D_{\rm x} = 1.208 {\rm Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo Kα radiation  $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ Å}$ Cell parameters from 2155 reflections  $\theta = 1.3\text{--}25.0^{o}$  $\mu = 0.09 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 293 KBlock, colourless  $0.24 \times 0.21 \times 0.20 \text{ mm}$ 

map

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

 $U_{iso}*/U_{eq}$  $\boldsymbol{Z}$ х y C1 0.0426 (4) 0.36147 (10) 0.08455 (17) 0.48242 (16) C2 0.32424 (10) 0.07894 (18) 0.60656 (15) 0.0451 (4) H2 0.3519 0.1289 0.6920 0.054\*C3 0.24680 (10) 0.00019 (18) 0.60451 (16) 0.0445(4)C4 0.20432 (11) -0.07482(19)0.47506 (17) 0.0479 (4) C5 0.24235 (11) -0.0712(2)0.35439 (18) 0.0542(5)H5 -0.12230.065\* 0.2153 0.2693 C6 0.32090 (11) 0.00790 (19) 0.0513 (4) 0.35673 (17) H6 0.062\* 0.3458 0.0089 0.2739 C7 0.24108 (11) 0.0806(2)0.84850 (17) 0.0554 (5) H7A 0.2403 0.1891 0.8225 0.067\* H7B 0.3013 0.0508 0.8887 0.067\* C8 0.18566 (14) 0.0537 (3) 0.9582 (2) 0.0759 (6) H8A 0.2081 0.1128 1.0451 0.114\* H8B 0.1866 -0.05410.9827 0.114\* H8C 0.1265 0.0850 0.9179 0.114\* C9 0.06962 (12) -0.1888(2)0.3449 (2) 0.0656 (5) H9A 0.0967 0.2944 0.079\* -0.2673H9B 0.0573 -0.09910.2817 0.079\* C10 -0.01353 (12) -0.2493 (3) 0.3827 (3) 0.0869(7) H10A -0.0539-0.27760.2942 0.130\* H10B -0.0394-0.17070.4330 0.130\* H10C -0.0004-0.33820.4449 0.130\* C11 0.20423 (18) 0.0446(4)0.48850 (10) 0.39666 (17) C12 0.56454 (11) 0.3114 (2) 0.44698 (19) 0.0569 (5) H12A 0.3393 0.5476 0.085\* 0.5671 H12B 0.5570 0.4026 0.3872 0.085\* H12C 0.4383 0.085\* 0.6181 0.2606 N1 0.43955 (8) 0.17335 (14) 0.49706 (14) 0.0459 (4) H10.4583 0.2131 0.5824 0.055\* 01 0.20629(7) -0.01068(13)0.72098 (11) 0.0559 (4) O2 0.12688 (7) -0.14790(14)0.48136 (13) 0.0626 (4) O3 0.47167 (8) 0.15207 (13) 0.27060 (12) 0.0587 (4)

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

## Atomic displacement parameters $(Å^2)$

|     | $U^{11}$    | $U^{22}$    | $U^{33}$    | $U^{12}$     | $U^{13}$    | $U^{23}$     |
|-----|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| C1  | 0.0448 (9)  | 0.0439 (9)  | 0.0407 (8)  | 0.0034 (7)   | 0.0126 (7)  | 0.0045 (7)   |
| C2  | 0.0490 (10) | 0.0488 (9)  | 0.0385 (9)  | -0.0023 (7)  | 0.0114 (7)  | -0.0007 (7)  |
| C3  | 0.0481 (10) | 0.0458 (9)  | 0.0427 (9)  | -0.0007 (7)  | 0.0162 (7)  | 0.0006 (7)   |
| C4  | 0.0476 (10) | 0.0486 (10) | 0.0475 (9)  | -0.0042 (8)  | 0.0103 (7)  | -0.0004 (7)  |
| C5  | 0.0615 (11) | 0.0593 (11) | 0.0419 (9)  | -0.0073 (9)  | 0.0105 (8)  | -0.0074 (8)  |
| C6  | 0.0602 (11) | 0.0569 (10) | 0.0398 (9)  | -0.0008 (8)  | 0.0174 (8)  | -0.0008 (8)  |
| C7  | 0.0614 (11) | 0.0640 (11) | 0.0437 (9)  | -0.0105 (9)  | 0.0172 (8)  | -0.0088 (8)  |
| C8  | 0.0879 (15) | 0.0933 (15) | 0.0524 (11) | -0.0225 (12) | 0.0279 (10) | -0.0150 (10) |
| C9  | 0.0592 (12) | 0.0656 (12) | 0.0658 (12) | -0.0083 (9)  | -0.0018 (9) | -0.0002 (9)  |
| C10 | 0.0583 (13) | 0.0939 (17) | 0.1049 (17) | -0.0174 (12) | 0.0083 (12) | -0.0065 (13) |
| C11 | 0.0517 (10) | 0.0432 (9)  | 0.0422 (9)  | 0.0096 (7)   | 0.0169 (7)  | 0.0094 (7)   |
| C12 | 0.0590 (11) | 0.0557 (10) | 0.0611 (11) | -0.0030 (8)  | 0.0239 (9)  | 0.0089 (8)   |
| N1  | 0.0501 (8)  | 0.0527 (8)  | 0.0375 (7)  | -0.0036 (6)  | 0.0151 (6)  | 0.0004 (6)   |
| 01  | 0.0606 (8)  | 0.0681 (8)  | 0.0443 (6)  | -0.0172 (6)  | 0.0226 (6)  | -0.0093 (6)  |
| O2  | 0.0585 (8)  | 0.0752 (9)  | 0.0550 (7)  | -0.0218 (6)  | 0.0133 (6)  | -0.0094 (6)  |
| O3  | 0.0723 (8)  | 0.0664 (8)  | 0.0423 (7)  | 0.0002 (6)   | 0.0231 (6)  | 0.0029 (5)   |

### Geometric parameters (Å, °)

| C1—C6    | 1.380 (2)   | C8—H8B     | 0.9600      |
|----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| C1—C2    | 1.395 (2)   | C8—H8C     | 0.9600      |
| C1—N1    | 1.421 (2)   | C9—O2      | 1.439 (2)   |
| С2—С3    | 1.382 (2)   | C9—C10     | 1.503 (3)   |
| С2—Н2    | 0.9300      | С9—Н9А     | 0.9700      |
| C3—01    | 1.3636 (19) | С9—Н9В     | 0.9700      |
| C3—C4    | 1.409 (2)   | C10—H10A   | 0.9600      |
| C4—C5    | 1.372 (2)   | C10—H10B   | 0.9600      |
| C4—O2    | 1.3732 (19) | C10—H10C   | 0.9600      |
| С5—С6    | 1.398 (2)   | C11—O3     | 1.2342 (19) |
| С5—Н5    | 0.9300      | C11—N1     | 1.3471 (19) |
| С6—Н6    | 0.9300      | C11—C12    | 1.502 (2)   |
| C7—O1    | 1.437 (2)   | C12—H12A   | 0.9600      |
| С7—С8    | 1.483 (2)   | C12—H12B   | 0.9600      |
| С7—Н7А   | 0.9700      | C12—H12C   | 0.9600      |
| С7—Н7В   | 0.9700      | N1—H1      | 0.8600      |
| C8—H8A   | 0.9600      |            |             |
| C6—C1—C2 | 119.30 (15) | H8A—C8—H8C | 109.5       |
| C6-C1-N1 | 125.16 (14) | H8B—C8—H8C | 109.5       |
| C2-C1-N1 | 115.54 (13) | O2—C9—C10  | 106.70 (16) |
| C3—C2—C1 | 120.95 (14) | O2—C9—H9A  | 110.4       |
| C3—C2—H2 | 119.5       | С10—С9—Н9А | 110.4       |
| C1—C2—H2 | 119.5       | O2—C9—H9B  | 110.4       |
| O1—C3—C2 | 124.51 (14) | С10—С9—Н9В | 110.4       |
| O1—C3—C4 | 115.80 (14) | H9A—C9—H9B | 108.6       |
|          |             |            |             |

| C2—C3—C4    | 119.69 (14)  | C9—C10—H10A   | 109.5        |
|-------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| C5—C4—O2    | 125.06 (15)  | C9—C10—H10B   | 109.5        |
| C5—C4—C3    | 118.91 (15)  | H10A—C10—H10B | 109.5        |
| O2—C4—C3    | 116.03 (14)  | C9—C10—H10C   | 109.5        |
| C4—C5—C6    | 121.37 (15)  | H10A—C10—H10C | 109.5        |
| С4—С5—Н5    | 119.3        | H10B—C10—H10C | 109.5        |
| С6—С5—Н5    | 119.3        | O3—C11—N1     | 123.10 (16)  |
| C1—C6—C5    | 119.75 (15)  | O3—C11—C12    | 121.56 (15)  |
| С1—С6—Н6    | 120.1        | N1—C11—C12    | 115.32 (14)  |
| С5—С6—Н6    | 120.1        | C11—C12—H12A  | 109.5        |
| O1—C7—C8    | 107.94 (14)  | C11—C12—H12B  | 109.5        |
| O1—C7—H7A   | 110.1        | H12A—C12—H12B | 109.5        |
| С8—С7—Н7А   | 110.1        | C11—C12—H12C  | 109.5        |
| O1—C7—H7B   | 110.1        | H12A—C12—H12C | 109.5        |
| С8—С7—Н7В   | 110.1        | H12B—C12—H12C | 109.5        |
| H7A—C7—H7B  | 108.4        | C11—N1—C1     | 129.38 (14)  |
| С7—С8—Н8А   | 109.5        | C11—N1—H1     | 115.3        |
| С7—С8—Н8В   | 109.5        | C1—N1—H1      | 115.3        |
| H8A—C8—H8B  | 109.5        | C3—O1—C7      | 117.45 (13)  |
| С7—С8—Н8С   | 109.5        | C4—O2—C9      | 117.83 (13)  |
| С6—С1—С2—С3 | -1.1 (2)     | C4—C5—C6—C1   | -0.2 (3)     |
| N1—C1—C2—C3 | 178.02 (13)  | O3—C11—N1—C1  | -2.1 (2)     |
| C1—C2—C3—O1 | -179.99 (14) | C12—C11—N1—C1 | 176.25 (14)  |
| C1—C2—C3—C4 | -0.4 (2)     | C6—C1—N1—C11  | 1.4 (2)      |
| O1—C3—C4—C5 | -178.74 (14) | C2-C1-N1-C11  | -177.71 (14) |
| C2—C3—C4—C5 | 1.7 (2)      | C2—C3—O1—C7   | 7.5 (2)      |
| O1—C3—C4—O2 | 0.8 (2)      | C4—C3—O1—C7   | -172.04 (14) |
| C2—C3—C4—O2 | -178.79 (14) | C8—C7—O1—C3   | 178.46 (15)  |
| O2—C4—C5—C6 | 179.12 (15)  | C5—C4—O2—C9   | -17.2 (2)    |
| C3—C4—C5—C6 | -1.4 (3)     | C3—C4—O2—C9   | 163.33 (15)  |
| C2—C1—C6—C5 | 1.4 (2)      | C10-C9-O2-C4  | -173.61 (15) |
| N1—C1—C6—C5 | -177.64 (15) |               |              |

## Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

| D—H···A  | <i>D</i> —Н | H···A | $D \cdots A$ | D—H··· $A$ |
|--|-------------|-------|--------------|------------|
| N1—H1···O3 <sup>i</sup>                        | 0.86        | 2.08  | 2.915 (2)    | 164        |
| Symmetry codes: (i) $x$ , $-y+1/2$ , $z+1/2$ . |             |       |              |            |



