

2-(2-Methoxyphenyl)butanedinitrile

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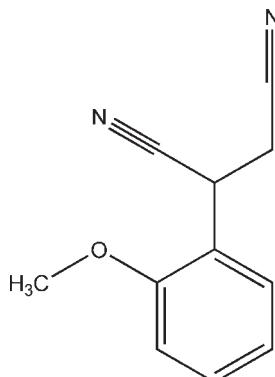
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; $T = 298\text{ K}$; mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.002\text{ \AA}$; R factor = 0.042; wR factor = 0.116; data-to-parameter ratio = 17.9.

In the title compound, $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{10}\text{N}_2\text{O}$, the butanedinitrile unit adopts a synclinal conformation. The crystal packing is stabilized by weak intermolecular $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$ hydrogen bonding.

Related literature

The title compound is an important intermediate in drugs synthesis, see: Obniska *et al.* (2005). For the synthesis, see: Johnson *et al.* (1962).



Experimental

Crystal data

 $M_r = 186.21$

Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$
 $a = 12.393(9)\text{ \AA}$
 $b = 5.405(4)\text{ \AA}$
 $c = 15.216(10)\text{ \AA}$
 $\beta = 102.947(8)^\circ$
 $V = 993.3(12)\text{ \AA}^3$

$Z = 4$
Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 $\mu = 0.08\text{ mm}^{-1}$
 $T = 298\text{ K}$
 $0.37 \times 0.25 \times 0.14\text{ mm}$

Data collection

Bruker SMART APEXII CCD
area-detector diffractometer
Absorption correction: multi-scan
(*SADABS*; Sheldrick, 1996)
 $T_{\min} = 0.970$, $T_{\max} = 0.985$

7820 measured reflections
2292 independent reflections
1549 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.026$

Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.042$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.116$
 $S = 1.04$
2292 reflections

128 parameters
H-atom parameters constrained
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.12\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.14\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

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

$D-\text{H}\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}$	$\text{H}\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}\cdots A$
C3—H3 \cdots N2 ⁱ	0.93	2.50	3.404 (3)	165
C8—H8 \cdots N2 ⁱⁱ	0.98	2.50	3.262 (3)	135

Symmetry codes: (i) $x, -y + \frac{5}{2}, z - \frac{1}{2}$; (ii) $x, y - 1, z$.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2000); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2000); data reduction: *SAINT*; 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*.

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Comment

The title compound is an important intermediate in drugs synthesis (Obniska *et al.*, 2005). In this paper, we report the structure of the title compound (I). In (I), the succinonitrile moiety adopts a cis conformation. Two cyanide groups, (N1—C10 and N2—C11), are not coplane. However, the methoxy group is almost coplanar with the the mean plane of the phenyl (C2/C3/C4/C5/C6/C7). The crystal packing is stabilized by two intermolecular non-classic C—H···N hydrogen bonds.

Experimental

The compound (I) was obtained by reaction of (*Z*)-ethyl-2-cyano-3-(2-methoxyphenyl)acrylate and NaCN in ethanol-water mixture according to the reported method (Johnson *et al.*, 1962). Single crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction were obtained by evaporation of an ethanol solution at room temperature.

Refinement

H atoms were placed in calculated positions and refined using a riding model with C—H = 0.93–0.98 Å. $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.5U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ for methyl and $1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ for the others.

Figures

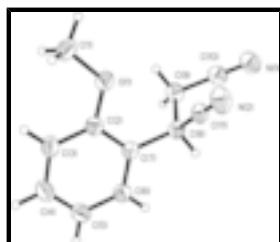


Fig. 1. The molecular structure of (I), showing the atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.

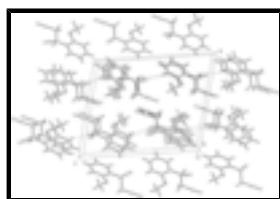


Fig. 2. A packing diagram of (I) viewed down the b axis. Dotted lines show the hydrogen bonds.

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Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)	$h = -16 \rightarrow 16$
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Refinement

Refinement on F^2	Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods
Least-squares matrix: full	Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.042$	Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites
$wR(F^2) = 0.116$	H-atom parameters constrained
$S = 1.04$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.051P)^2 + 0.1131P]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
2292 reflections	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$
128 parameters	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.12 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
0 restraints	$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.14 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

Special details

Geometry. All esds (except the esd in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell esds are taken into account individually in the estimation of esds in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between esds in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell esds is used for estimating esds 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.

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

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
C1	0.34900 (15)	1.2727 (3)	0.69677 (11)	0.0644 (5)
H1A	0.3731	1.1717	0.6529	0.097*
H1B	0.4106	1.3657	0.7303	0.097*
H1C	0.2924	1.3843	0.6667	0.097*
N1	0.45207 (12)	0.7505 (3)	1.07568 (10)	0.0728 (4)
O1	0.30584 (9)	1.11902 (19)	0.75662 (6)	0.0581 (3)
C2	0.22452 (11)	0.9545 (3)	0.72065 (9)	0.0461 (3)
N2	0.22425 (13)	1.2438 (2)	0.95010 (9)	0.0660 (4)
C3	0.17425 (13)	0.9391 (3)	0.63011 (10)	0.0585 (4)
H3	0.1945	1.0466	0.5889	0.070*
C4	0.09351 (14)	0.7621 (3)	0.60142 (11)	0.0642 (5)
H4	0.0591	0.7523	0.5406	0.077*
C5	0.06344 (13)	0.6016 (3)	0.66096 (11)	0.0605 (4)
H5	0.0102	0.4810	0.6406	0.073*
C6	0.11252 (11)	0.6197 (3)	0.75120 (10)	0.0500 (4)
H6	0.0913	0.5117	0.7919	0.060*
C7	0.19287 (11)	0.7958 (2)	0.78245 (8)	0.0409 (3)
C8	0.24600 (11)	0.8102 (2)	0.88203 (9)	0.0422 (3)
H8	0.2064	0.6939	0.9129	0.051*
C9	0.36818 (12)	0.7315 (3)	0.90375 (10)	0.0518 (4)
H9A	0.3741	0.5645	0.8819	0.062*
H9B	0.4096	0.8402	0.8727	0.062*
C10	0.41624 (12)	0.7404 (3)	1.00039 (11)	0.0547 (4)
C11	0.23445 (11)	1.0568 (3)	0.91933 (9)	0.0457 (3)

Atomic displacement parameters (\AA^2)

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
C1	0.0803 (11)	0.0570 (10)	0.0640 (10)	-0.0141 (8)	0.0332 (9)	0.0021 (8)
N1	0.0724 (10)	0.0769 (10)	0.0604 (9)	0.0051 (7)	-0.0034 (7)	0.0056 (7)
O1	0.0726 (7)	0.0561 (6)	0.0471 (6)	-0.0181 (5)	0.0167 (5)	0.0032 (5)
C2	0.0515 (8)	0.0429 (8)	0.0447 (7)	0.0002 (6)	0.0129 (6)	-0.0007 (6)
N2	0.0978 (11)	0.0466 (8)	0.0543 (8)	0.0086 (7)	0.0183 (7)	-0.0036 (6)
C3	0.0678 (10)	0.0649 (10)	0.0435 (8)	-0.0002 (8)	0.0138 (7)	0.0049 (7)
C4	0.0639 (10)	0.0787 (12)	0.0451 (8)	0.0010 (9)	0.0018 (7)	-0.0066 (8)
C5	0.0527 (9)	0.0664 (10)	0.0593 (9)	-0.0081 (7)	0.0057 (7)	-0.0090 (8)
C6	0.0500 (8)	0.0463 (8)	0.0543 (9)	-0.0010 (6)	0.0131 (6)	0.0000 (6)
C7	0.0450 (7)	0.0372 (7)	0.0413 (7)	0.0039 (5)	0.0112 (6)	0.0004 (5)
C8	0.0507 (8)	0.0357 (7)	0.0413 (7)	0.0008 (6)	0.0124 (6)	0.0033 (5)
C9	0.0544 (8)	0.0499 (9)	0.0495 (8)	0.0090 (6)	0.0081 (6)	0.0022 (6)
C10	0.0530 (8)	0.0493 (9)	0.0579 (9)	0.0065 (7)	0.0041 (7)	0.0054 (7)
C11	0.0555 (8)	0.0434 (8)	0.0382 (7)	0.0030 (6)	0.0102 (6)	0.0039 (6)

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

C1—O1	1.4225 (18)	C4—H4	0.9300
C1—H1A	0.9600	C5—C6	1.375 (2)
C1—H1B	0.9600	C5—H5	0.9300
C1—H1C	0.9600	C6—C7	1.383 (2)
N1—C10	1.133 (2)	C6—H6	0.9300
O1—C2	1.3632 (17)	C7—C8	1.513 (2)
C2—C3	1.381 (2)	C8—C11	1.468 (2)
C2—C7	1.3928 (19)	C8—C9	1.536 (2)
N2—C11	1.1327 (18)	C8—H8	0.9800
C3—C4	1.382 (2)	C9—C10	1.458 (2)
C3—H3	0.9300	C9—H9A	0.9700
C4—C5	1.365 (2)	C9—H9B	0.9700
O1—C1—H1A	109.5	C5—C6—H6	119.5
O1—C1—H1B	109.5	C7—C6—H6	119.5
H1A—C1—H1B	109.5	C6—C7—C2	118.83 (13)
O1—C1—H1C	109.5	C6—C7—C8	119.89 (12)
H1A—C1—H1C	109.5	C2—C7—C8	121.28 (12)
H1B—C1—H1C	109.5	C11—C8—C7	112.07 (10)
C2—O1—C1	118.29 (12)	C11—C8—C9	110.19 (11)
O1—C2—C3	124.58 (13)	C7—C8—C9	112.84 (11)
O1—C2—C7	115.18 (12)	C11—C8—H8	107.1
C3—C2—C7	120.24 (13)	C7—C8—H8	107.1
C2—C3—C4	119.32 (14)	C9—C8—H8	107.1
C2—C3—H3	120.3	C10—C9—C8	111.60 (12)
C4—C3—H3	120.3	C10—C9—H9A	109.3
C5—C4—C3	121.07 (15)	C8—C9—H9A	109.3
C5—C4—H4	119.5	C10—C9—H9B	109.3
C3—C4—H4	119.5	C8—C9—H9B	109.3
C4—C5—C6	119.48 (15)	H9A—C9—H9B	108.0
C4—C5—H5	120.3	N1—C10—C9	178.67 (17)
C6—C5—H5	120.3	N2—C11—C8	177.91 (15)
C5—C6—C7	121.04 (14)		
C1—O1—C2—C3	-5.4 (2)	C3—C2—C7—C6	1.5 (2)
C1—O1—C2—C7	174.73 (13)	O1—C2—C7—C8	0.32 (18)
O1—C2—C3—C4	179.19 (15)	C3—C2—C7—C8	-179.53 (12)
C7—C2—C3—C4	-1.0 (2)	C6—C7—C8—C11	-123.69 (14)
C2—C3—C4—C5	-0.5 (2)	C2—C7—C8—C11	57.39 (17)
C3—C4—C5—C6	1.4 (3)	C6—C7—C8—C9	111.21 (15)
C4—C5—C6—C7	-0.8 (2)	C2—C7—C8—C9	-67.71 (16)
C5—C6—C7—C2	-0.6 (2)	C11—C8—C9—C10	55.55 (15)
C5—C6—C7—C8	-179.58 (13)	C7—C8—C9—C10	-178.33 (11)
O1—C2—C7—C6	-178.61 (12)		

Hydrogen-bond geometry (\AA , $^\circ$)

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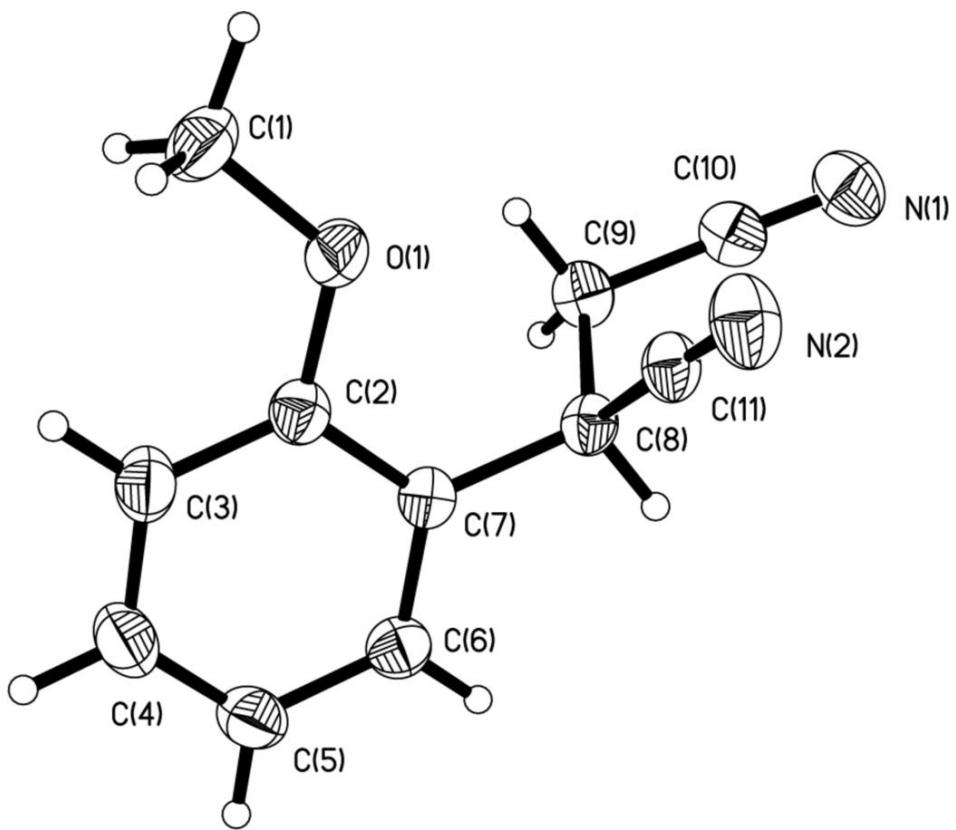


Fig. 2

