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# 1,2-Dimethoxy-3-[(*E*)-2-nitroethenyl]-benzene

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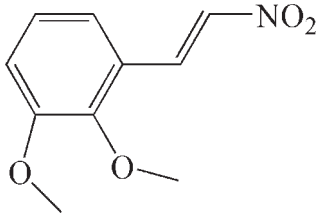
Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; $T$ = 296 K; mean $\sigma$(C–C) = 0.004 Å; $R$ factor = 0.058; $wR$ factor = 0.226; data-to-parameter ratio = 12.9.

The title compound, $C_{10}H_{11}NO_4$, was synthesized *via* condensation of 2,3-dimethoxybenzaldehyde with nitromethane using microwave irradiation without solvent. The H atoms of the –CH=CH– group are in a *trans* configuration. The dihedral angle between the mean planes of the benzene ring and the nitroalkenyl group is 23.90 (6)°.

## Related literature

For the use of nitroalkenes in organic synthesis, see: Ranu & Banerjee (2005); Ballini *et al.* (2005). For a related structure, see: Pedireddi *et al.* (1992). For the synthetic procedure, see: Wang & Wang (2002).




## Experimental

### Crystal data

$C_{10}H_{11}NO_4$
$M_r$ = 209.20
Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$
$a$ = 5.3558 (7) Å
$b$ = 13.5897 (11) Å
$c$ = 14.2646 (12) Å
$\beta$ = 97.038 (1)°
$V$ = 1030.41 (18) Å$^3$
$Z$ = 4
Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$\mu$ = 0.11 mm$^{-1}$
$T$ = 296 K
0.38 × 0.35 × 0.34 mm

### Data collection

Bruker APEXII CCD diffractometer
Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SADABS*; Sheldrick, 1996)
$T_{min}$ = 0.961, $T_{max}$ = 0.965
4852 measured reflections
1798 independent reflections
1351 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
$R_{int}$ = 0.035

### Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)]$ = 0.058
$wR(F^2)$ = 0.226
$S$ = 1.14
1798 reflections
139 parameters
H-atom parameters constrained
$\Delta\rho_{max}$ = 0.41 e Å$^{-3}$
$\Delta\rho_{min}$ = −0.41 e Å$^{-3}$

Data collection: *APEX2* (Bruker, 2007); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2007); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 2008); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

Supplementary data and figures for this paper are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: LH5097).

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## Comment

Nitroalkenes are good substrates for Michael addition reactions because of the stronger electron withdrawing property of the nitro group (Ranu *et al.*, 2005). In addition, the nitro group can provide a good nitrogen source for the synthesis of many useful organic molecules (Ballini *et al.*, 2005). Our group has focused on new organic transformations obtained by nitroalkenes as substrates. In this paper, we report the structure of the title compound. The crystal structure of the title compound is shown in Fig. 1. The H atoms of the -CH═CH- group are in a trans configuration. The dihedral angle between the mean planes of the benzene ring and the nitroalkenyl group is 23.90 (6)°. The bond lengths and angles in the tilte compound can be compared to those in (E)-β-nitrostyrene (Pedireddi *et al.*, 1992).

## Experimental

The title compound was prepared according to a method reported in the literature (Wang *et al.* (2002): A mixture of 0.83 g (5 mmol) 2,3-dimethoxy-benzaldehyde, 1.53 g (25 mmol) nitromethane and 0.35 g potassium carbonate was finely ground by agate mortar and pestle and was mixed with 5 g aluminium oxide (150mesh). The mixture was then put in a 25 ml beaker and introduced into a microwave oven. Microwave irradiation was carried out for 5 min. The mixture was cooled to ambient temperature, then water and nitromethane were removed by reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography (pertroleum ether/ethyl acetate/dichloromethane. 1:1:0.3) to give the product (yield 75%). Crystals suitable for X-ray analysis were obtained after one week by slow evaporation from an ethyl alcohol solution of the title compound.

## Refinement

H atoms were placed in idealized positions and allowed to ride on their respective parent atoms, with C—H = 0.93-0.96 Å and with $U_{iso}$(H) = 1.2$U_{eq}$(C) or 1.2$U_{eq}$($C_{methyl}$).

## Figures

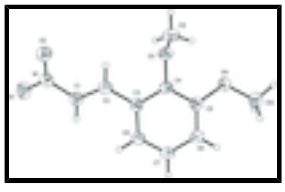

Fig. 1. A view of the molecular structure of the title compound, displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.

## 1,2-Dimethoxy-3-[(*E*)-2-nitroethenyl]benzene

*Crystal data*

$C_{10}H_{11}NO_4$ $F(000) = 440$

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|---|---|
| $M_r$ = 209.20 | $D_x$ = 1.349 Mg m$^{-3}$ |
| Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$ | Mo $K\alpha$ radiation, λ = 0.71073 Å |
| Hall symbol: -P 2ybc | Cell parameters from 1678 reflections |
| $a$ = 5.3558 (7) Å | θ = 3.0–25.5° |
| $b$ = 13.5897 (11) Å | μ = 0.11 mm$^{-1}$ |
| $c$ = 14.2646 (12) Å | $T$ = 296 K |
| β = 97.038 (1)° | Flake, colorless |
| $V$ = 1030.41 (18) Å$^3$ | 0.38 × 0.35 × 0.34 mm |
| $Z$ = 4 | |

*Data collection*

| | |
|---|---|
| Bruker APEXII CCD diffractometer | 1798 independent reflections |
| Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube | 1351 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ |
| graphite | $R_{int}$ = 0.035 |
| φ and ω scans | $\theta_{max}$ = 25.0°, $\theta_{min}$ = 2.1° |
| Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SADABS*; Sheldrick, 1996) | $h$ = −6→6 |
| $T_{min}$ = 0.961, $T_{max}$ = 0.965 | $k$ = −16→15 |
| 4852 measured reflections | $l$ = −15→16 |

*Refinement*

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| Refinement on $F^2$ | Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map |
| Least-squares matrix: full | Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites |
| $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)]$ = 0.058 | H-atom parameters constrained |
| $wR(F^2)$ = 0.226 | $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.1507P)^2]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ |
| $S$ = 1.14 | $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$ |
| 1798 reflections | $\Delta\rho_{max}$ = 0.41 e Å$^{-3}$ |
| 139 parameters | $\Delta\rho_{min}$ = −0.41 e Å$^{-3}$ |
| 0 restraints | Extinction correction: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008), $Fc^* = kFc[1+0.001xFc^2\lambda^3/\sin(2\theta)]^{-1/4}$ |
| Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods | Extinction coefficient: 0.17 (3) |

*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.

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

| | *x* | *y* | *z* | $U_{iso}$*/$U_{eq}$ |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| N1 | 0.8816 (4) | 0.34090 (16) | 0.43863 (15) | 0.0521 (7) |
| O1 | 1.0954 (4) | 0.35541 (16) | 0.47743 (16) | 0.0740 (7) |
| O2 | 0.7912 (4) | 0.25907 (15) | 0.42869 (17) | 0.0818 (8) |
| O3 | 0.1183 (3) | 0.38811 (12) | 0.21248 (12) | 0.0532 (6) |
| O4 | −0.2003 (3) | 0.53204 (13) | 0.14689 (13) | 0.0581 (6) |
| C1 | 0.7376 (5) | 0.4265 (2) | 0.40583 (19) | 0.0544 (7) |
| H1A | 0.7990 | 0.4887 | 0.4234 | 0.065* |
| C2 | 0.5216 (5) | 0.4187 (2) | 0.35173 (16) | 0.0503 (7) |
| H2 | 0.4684 | 0.3556 | 0.3335 | 0.060* |
| C3 | 0.3580 (4) | 0.50020 (18) | 0.31776 (16) | 0.0454 (7) |
| C4 | 0.1580 (4) | 0.48261 (15) | 0.24744 (16) | 0.0439 (7) |
| C5 | −0.0092 (4) | 0.55801 (18) | 0.21569 (17) | 0.0470 (7) |
| C6 | 0.0260 (5) | 0.65146 (18) | 0.2532 (2) | 0.0532 (7) |
| H6 | −0.0844 | 0.7019 | 0.2324 | 0.064* |
| C7 | 0.2273 (5) | 0.6697 (2) | 0.3224 (2) | 0.0583 (8) |
| H7 | 0.2515 | 0.7328 | 0.3470 | 0.070* |
| C8 | 0.3908 (5) | 0.5959 (2) | 0.35469 (18) | 0.0546 (7) |
| H8 | 0.5237 | 0.6092 | 0.4012 | 0.066* |
| C9 | 0.2010 (7) | 0.3753 (2) | 0.1216 (2) | 0.0716 (9) |
| H9A | 0.1121 | 0.4202 | 0.0774 | 0.107* |
| H9B | 0.1682 | 0.3090 | 0.1005 | 0.107* |
| H9C | 0.3783 | 0.3882 | 0.1259 | 0.107* |
| C10 | −0.3741 (5) | 0.6077 (2) | 0.11368 (19) | 0.0605 (8) |
| H10A | −0.4538 | 0.6327 | 0.1655 | 0.091* |
| H10B | −0.4994 | 0.5811 | 0.0666 | 0.091* |
| H10C | −0.2858 | 0.6600 | 0.0867 | 0.091* |

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

| | $U^{11}$ | $U^{22}$ | $U^{33}$ | $U^{12}$ | $U^{13}$ | $U^{23}$ |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| N1 | 0.0511 (13) | 0.0521 (13) | 0.0517 (13) | 0.0009 (9) | 0.0004 (10) | 0.0000 (9) |
| O1 | 0.0514 (13) | 0.0756 (14) | 0.0899 (16) | −0.0045 (9) | −0.0114 (11) | 0.0064 (11) |
| O2 | 0.0785 (14) | 0.0510 (13) | 0.1072 (18) | −0.0008 (11) | −0.0232 (12) | −0.0064 (11) |
| O3 | 0.0637 (12) | 0.0361 (10) | 0.0589 (11) | −0.0052 (7) | 0.0039 (8) | −0.0025 (7) |
| O4 | 0.0527 (11) | 0.0494 (12) | 0.0677 (12) | 0.0033 (8) | −0.0113 (9) | −0.0026 (8) |
| C1 | 0.0542 (16) | 0.0471 (15) | 0.0607 (15) | −0.0005 (11) | 0.0027 (12) | 0.0022 (12) |
| C2 | 0.0519 (15) | 0.0492 (15) | 0.0498 (14) | −0.0010 (11) | 0.0064 (11) | −0.0013 (11) |
| C3 | 0.0460 (13) | 0.0461 (14) | 0.0443 (12) | 0.0015 (10) | 0.0064 (10) | 0.0018 (10) |
| C4 | 0.0498 (13) | 0.0343 (13) | 0.0484 (13) | −0.0022 (9) | 0.0097 (11) | 0.0010 (9) |
| C5 | 0.0473 (14) | 0.0442 (14) | 0.0497 (13) | 0.0013 (10) | 0.0064 (11) | 0.0017 (10) |
| C6 | 0.0563 (16) | 0.0438 (15) | 0.0592 (15) | 0.0077 (10) | 0.0061 (12) | −0.0032 (11) |
| C7 | 0.0644 (18) | 0.0476 (15) | 0.0614 (16) | 0.0029 (12) | 0.0023 (13) | −0.0131 (11) |

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| C8 | 0.0543 (15) | 0.0543 (16) | 0.0542 (15) | −0.0005 (12) | 0.0029 (11) | −0.0100 (12) |
| C9 | 0.093 (2) | 0.0542 (17) | 0.0689 (19) | −0.0040 (15) | 0.0134 (16) | −0.0164 (14) |
| C10 | 0.0549 (16) | 0.0626 (18) | 0.0621 (17) | 0.0057 (13) | −0.0009 (13) | 0.0123 (13) |

*Geometric parameters (Å, °)*

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|---|---|---|---|
| N1—O2 | 1.214 (3) | C4—C5 | 1.399 (3) |
| N1—O1 | 1.225 (3) | C5—C6 | 1.382 (3) |
| N1—C1 | 1.442 (3) | C6—C7 | 1.391 (4) |
| O3—C4 | 1.385 (3) | C6—H6 | 0.9300 |
| O3—C9 | 1.431 (3) | C7—C8 | 1.374 (4) |
| O4—C5 | 1.375 (3) | C7—H7 | 0.9300 |
| O4—C10 | 1.428 (3) | C8—H8 | 0.9300 |
| C1—C2 | 1.314 (3) | C9—H9A | 0.9600 |
| C1—H1A | 0.9300 | C9—H9B | 0.9600 |
| C2—C3 | 1.458 (4) | C9—H9C | 0.9600 |
| C2—H2 | 0.9300 | C10—H10A | 0.9600 |
| C3—C4 | 1.395 (3) | C10—H10B | 0.9600 |
| C3—C8 | 1.406 (4) | C10—H10C | 0.9600 |
| O2—N1—O1 | 122.5 (2) | C5—C6—H6 | 120.1 |
| O2—N1—C1 | 120.7 (2) | C7—C6—H6 | 120.1 |
| O1—N1—C1 | 116.7 (2) | C8—C7—C6 | 120.9 (2) |
| C4—O3—C9 | 112.83 (19) | C8—C7—H7 | 119.5 |
| C5—O4—C10 | 116.8 (2) | C6—C7—H7 | 119.5 |
| C2—C1—N1 | 121.5 (2) | C7—C8—C3 | 120.3 (2) |
| C2—C1—H1A | 119.2 | C7—C8—H8 | 119.8 |
| N1—C1—H1A | 119.2 | C3—C8—H8 | 119.8 |
| C1—C2—C3 | 125.7 (2) | O3—C9—H9A | 109.5 |
| C1—C2—H2 | 117.1 | O3—C9—H9B | 109.5 |
| C3—C2—H2 | 117.1 | H9A—C9—H9B | 109.5 |
| C4—C3—C8 | 118.5 (2) | O3—C9—H9C | 109.5 |
| C4—C3—C2 | 119.1 (2) | H9A—C9—H9C | 109.5 |
| C8—C3—C2 | 122.4 (2) | H9B—C9—H9C | 109.5 |
| O3—C4—C3 | 119.2 (2) | O4—C10—H10A | 109.5 |
| O3—C4—C5 | 119.9 (2) | O4—C10—H10B | 109.5 |
| C3—C4—C5 | 120.8 (2) | H10A—C10—H10B | 109.5 |
| O4—C5—C6 | 124.5 (2) | O4—C10—H10C | 109.5 |
| O4—C5—C4 | 115.7 (2) | H10A—C10—H10C | 109.5 |
| C6—C5—C4 | 119.7 (2) | H10B—C10—H10C | 109.5 |
| C5—C6—C7 | 119.7 (2) | | |
| O2—N1—C1—C2 | −10.7 (4) | C10—O4—C5—C4 | 179.7 (2) |
| O1—N1—C1—C2 | 170.1 (2) | O3—C4—C5—O4 | −2.8 (3) |
| N1—C1—C2—C3 | 177.7 (2) | C3—C4—C5—O4 | −179.41 (19) |
| C1—C2—C3—C4 | 168.5 (2) | O3—C4—C5—C6 | 177.7 (2) |
| C1—C2—C3—C8 | −12.9 (4) | C3—C4—C5—C6 | 1.0 (4) |
| C9—O3—C4—C3 | −103.4 (3) | O4—C5—C6—C7 | −179.6 (2) |
| C9—O3—C4—C5 | 79.9 (3) | C4—C5—C6—C7 | −0.1 (4) |
| C8—C3—C4—O3 | −177.9 (2) | C5—C6—C7—C8 | −0.6 (4) |
| C2—C3—C4—O3 | 0.7 (3) | C6—C7—C8—C3 | 0.4 (4) |

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| C8—C3—C4—C5 | −1.3 (3) | C4—C3—C8—C7 | 0.5 (4) |
| C2—C3—C4—C5 | 177.4 (2) | C2—C3—C8—C7 | −178.1 (2) |
| C10—O4—C5—C6 | −0.7 (4) | | |

**Fig. 1**