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## 2-(2-Methoxy-5-methylphenyl)-2H-benzotriazole

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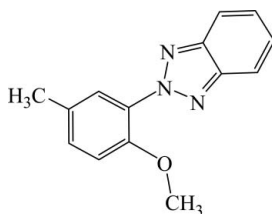
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 296$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.005$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.046;  $wR$  factor = 0.136; data-to-parameter ratio = 10.2.

In the title molecule,  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{13}\text{N}_3\text{O}$ , the dihedral angle between the mean planes of the benzotriazole ring system and the benzene ring is  $57.8$  (2)°.

## Related literature

For related structures, see: Li *et al.* (2009, 2010); Liu *et al.* (2009).



## Experimental

## Crystal data

 $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{13}\text{N}_3\text{O}$  $M_r = 239.27$ 

Monoclinic,  $P2_1$   
 $a = 7.1604$  (2) Å  
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 $\beta = 103.450$  (1)°  
 $V = 634.41$  (3) Å<sup>3</sup>

$Z = 2$   
Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 0.08$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 296$  K  
 $0.48 \times 0.32 \times 0.17$  mm

## Data collection

Bruker APEXII CCD diffractometer  
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 2008)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.962$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.986$

6057 measured reflections  
1674 independent reflections  
1401 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.021$

## Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.046$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.136$   
 $S = 1.05$   
1674 reflections  
164 parameters

1 restraint  
H-atom parameters constrained  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.17$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.15$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

Data collection: APEX2 (Bruker, 2008); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2008); 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.

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Supplementary data and figures for this paper are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: LH5100).

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### Comment

In terms of coordination chemistry, the benzotriazole-phenolate (BTP) group can provide the *N, O*-bidentate chelation to stabilize transition metal or main group metal complexes. Therefore, our group is focused on the design and synthesis of the functionalized benzotriazole-phenolate ligand derived from 4-methyl-2-(2*H*-benzotriazol-2-yl)phenol (<sup>Me</sup>BTP-H). For instance, our group has successfully synthesized and structural characterized the amino-phenolate ligand *via* a Mannich condensation derived from <sup>Me</sup>BTP-H (Li *et al.*, 2009). Most recently, we also reported the synthesis and crystal structure of the salicylaldehyde group substituted benzotriazole derivative (Li *et al.*, 2010). In order to develop more useful ligands originated from BTP derivatives, we report herein the synthesis and crystal structure of the title compound, (**I**), a potential ligand for the preparation of orthometallated Ir<sup>III</sup> or Pd<sup>II</sup> complexes.

The molecular structure of (**I**) is shown in Fig. 1. The dihedral angle between the mean planes of the benzotriazole unit and the benzene ring of the 2-methoxy-5-methylphenyl group is 57.8 (2)°, which is larger than that found in the crystal structure of 2-(2*H*-Benzotriazol-2-yl)-4-methylphenyl diphenylphosphinate (Liu *et al.*, 2009).

### Experimental

The title compound (**I**) was synthesized by the procedure shown in Fig. 2. A mixture of 4-methyl-2-(2*H*-benzotriazol-2-yl)phenol (2.48 g, 10.0 mmol) and potassium carbonate (1.40 g, 10.0 mmol) in THF (30 ml) was stirred at room temperature for 0.5 h. Dimethyl sulfate (1.90 g, 15.0 mmol) was then added and the resulting mixture was refluxed for another 24 h. The mixture was filtered and the filtrate was dried *in vacuo* giving white powder. The white powder was redissolved in hexane and cooled to 253 K to give white crystalline solids. Colourless crystals were obtained from the saturated Et<sub>2</sub>O solution overnight. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, p.p.m.): δ 7.01–7.97 (7*H*, m, Ph*H*), 3.84 (3*H*, s, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.36 (3*H*, s, CH<sub>3</sub>).

### Refinement

In the absence of significant anomalous dispersion effects the Friedel pairs were merged. The H atoms were placed in idealized positions and constrained to ride on their parent atoms, with C–H = 0.93 Å with  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2 U_{eq}(C)$  for phenyl hydrogen; 0.96 Å with  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.5 U_{eq}(C)$  for the CH<sub>3</sub> groups.

Figures

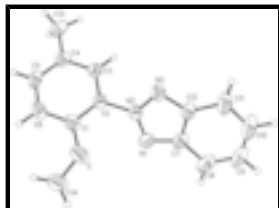


Fig. 1. The molecular structure of **I** with the atom numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.



Fig. 2. The synthetic procedure of **I**.

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$k = -11 \rightarrow 11$

$l = -14 \rightarrow 14$

Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$

Least-squares matrix: full

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Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map

Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites

H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0703P)^2 + 0.098P]$

$S = 1.05$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
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164 parameters	$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.17 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
1 restraint	$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.15 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods	Extinction correction: <i>SHELXL97</i> (Sheldrick, 2008), $F_c^* = kF_c[1 + 0.001 \times F_c^2 \lambda^3 / \sin(2\theta)]^{-1/4}$ Extinction coefficient: 0.067 (13)

### 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 ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )

	$x$	$y$	$z$	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
O	0.4845 (3)	0.6862 (5)	0.1130 (2)	0.1062 (12)
N1	0.3698 (3)	0.9600 (4)	0.2453 (2)	0.0707 (7)
N2	0.2199 (3)	0.8702 (3)	0.19219 (18)	0.0547 (5)
N3	0.0939 (3)	0.8349 (3)	0.25880 (19)	0.0610 (6)
C1	0.3261 (4)	0.7274 (4)	0.0259 (2)	0.0661 (8)
C2	0.1880 (4)	0.8191 (4)	0.0643 (2)	0.0551 (6)
C3	0.0210 (4)	0.8665 (4)	-0.0174 (2)	0.0563 (6)
H3B	-0.0689	0.9279	0.0113	0.068*
C4	-0.0144 (4)	0.8234 (4)	-0.1425 (2)	0.0602 (7)
C5	0.1215 (5)	0.7297 (4)	-0.1801 (2)	0.0668 (8)
H5A	0.0995	0.6976	-0.2630	0.080*
C6	0.2882 (5)	0.6826 (5)	-0.0987 (3)	0.0720 (8)
H6A	0.3768	0.6198	-0.1274	0.086*
C7	0.3395 (4)	0.9863 (4)	0.3605 (2)	0.0638 (7)
C8	0.4473 (6)	1.0761 (6)	0.4615 (3)	0.0895 (11)
H8A	0.5613	1.1274	0.4574	0.107*
C9	0.3761 (6)	1.0840 (5)	0.5651 (3)	0.0949 (13)
H9A	0.4439	1.1419	0.6336	0.114*
C10	0.2044 (8)	1.0082 (6)	0.5726 (3)	0.1011 (13)
H10A	0.1620	1.0180	0.6458	0.121*
C11	0.0972 (7)	0.9208 (6)	0.4769 (3)	0.0900 (11)
H11A	-0.0172	0.8715	0.4825	0.108*
C12	0.1694 (4)	0.9090 (4)	0.3677 (2)	0.0609 (7)
C13	-0.1948 (5)	0.8824 (5)	-0.2321 (3)	0.0846 (10)

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H13A	-0.2701	0.9448	-0.1875	0.127*
H13B	-0.2683	0.7911	-0.2707	0.127*
H13C	-0.1605	0.9487	-0.2951	0.127*
C14	0.6487 (5)	0.6546 (7)	0.0835 (4)	0.0985 (14)
H14A	0.7439	0.6277	0.1575	0.148*
H14B	0.6896	0.7481	0.0448	0.148*
H14C	0.6321	0.5649	0.0266	0.148*

### Atomic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
O	0.0727 (13)	0.190 (4)	0.0590 (11)	0.0505 (19)	0.0224 (10)	0.0159 (18)
N1	0.0598 (13)	0.096 (2)	0.0548 (12)	-0.0144 (13)	0.0095 (10)	-0.0005 (13)
N2	0.0544 (11)	0.0688 (14)	0.0417 (9)	-0.0028 (10)	0.0126 (8)	0.0001 (9)
N3	0.0703 (13)	0.0706 (14)	0.0464 (10)	-0.0090 (12)	0.0222 (9)	-0.0029 (10)
C1	0.0627 (15)	0.089 (2)	0.0502 (13)	0.0096 (16)	0.0203 (11)	0.0099 (14)
C2	0.0568 (13)	0.0702 (16)	0.0403 (10)	-0.0049 (12)	0.0154 (9)	-0.0003 (11)
C3	0.0576 (13)	0.0615 (15)	0.0495 (12)	-0.0047 (12)	0.0122 (10)	-0.0021 (11)
C4	0.0687 (15)	0.0617 (15)	0.0475 (11)	-0.0131 (13)	0.0080 (10)	0.0025 (12)
C5	0.089 (2)	0.0702 (17)	0.0435 (12)	-0.0138 (16)	0.0213 (12)	-0.0059 (12)
C6	0.085 (2)	0.084 (2)	0.0560 (14)	0.0083 (17)	0.0333 (14)	-0.0004 (15)
C7	0.0725 (16)	0.0697 (17)	0.0443 (12)	-0.0040 (14)	0.0037 (11)	0.0046 (12)
C8	0.094 (2)	0.103 (3)	0.0595 (17)	-0.018 (2)	-0.0068 (15)	-0.0009 (19)
C9	0.134 (3)	0.094 (3)	0.0441 (14)	-0.012 (3)	-0.0043 (17)	-0.0044 (16)
C10	0.166 (4)	0.094 (3)	0.0461 (15)	-0.013 (3)	0.0296 (19)	-0.0035 (16)
C11	0.129 (3)	0.094 (2)	0.0549 (16)	-0.021 (2)	0.0374 (18)	-0.0089 (17)
C12	0.0783 (17)	0.0611 (15)	0.0427 (11)	-0.0037 (13)	0.0132 (11)	0.0039 (11)
C13	0.090 (2)	0.095 (3)	0.0565 (15)	-0.009 (2)	-0.0091 (14)	-0.0017 (17)
C14	0.0672 (19)	0.143 (4)	0.091 (2)	0.017 (2)	0.0301 (17)	0.015 (3)

### Geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ , $^\circ$ )

O—C14	1.317 (4)	C7—C12	1.393 (4)
O—C1	1.348 (3)	C7—C8	1.410 (4)
N1—N2	1.324 (3)	C8—C9	1.357 (5)
N1—C7	1.355 (4)	C8—H8A	0.9300
N2—N3	1.322 (3)	C9—C10	1.399 (6)
N2—C2	1.439 (3)	C9—H9A	0.9300
N3—C12	1.345 (3)	C10—C11	1.360 (6)
C1—C2	1.387 (4)	C10—H10A	0.9300
C1—C6	1.389 (4)	C11—C12	1.421 (4)
C2—C3	1.377 (4)	C11—H11A	0.9300
C3—C4	1.391 (4)	C13—H13A	0.9600
C3—H3B	0.9300	C13—H13B	0.9600
C4—C5	1.380 (4)	C13—H13C	0.9600
C4—C13	1.513 (4)	C14—H14A	0.9600
C5—C6	1.372 (4)	C14—H14B	0.9600
C5—H5A	0.9300	C14—H14C	0.9600
C6—H6A	0.9300		

C14—O—C1	121.7 (2)	C9—C8—C7	116.6 (4)
N2—N1—C7	102.4 (2)	C9—C8—H8A	121.7
N3—N2—N1	117.7 (2)	C7—C8—H8A	121.7
N3—N2—C2	120.5 (2)	C8—C9—C10	122.5 (3)
N1—N2—C2	121.7 (2)	C8—C9—H9A	118.8
N2—N3—C12	102.2 (2)	C10—C9—H9A	118.8
O—C1—C2	117.5 (2)	C11—C10—C9	122.4 (4)
O—C1—C6	125.2 (3)	C11—C10—H10A	118.8
C2—C1—C6	117.3 (3)	C9—C10—H10A	118.8
C3—C2—C1	121.9 (2)	C10—C11—C12	116.4 (4)
C3—C2—N2	118.3 (2)	C10—C11—H11A	121.8
C1—C2—N2	119.8 (2)	C12—C11—H11A	121.8
C2—C3—C4	120.5 (3)	N3—C12—C7	109.4 (2)
C2—C3—H3B	119.8	N3—C12—C11	129.7 (3)
C4—C3—H3B	119.8	C7—C12—C11	120.8 (3)
C5—C4—C3	117.6 (3)	C4—C13—H13A	109.5
C5—C4—C13	122.6 (3)	C4—C13—H13B	109.5
C3—C4—C13	119.8 (3)	H13A—C13—H13B	109.5
C6—C5—C4	121.9 (2)	C4—C13—H13C	109.5
C6—C5—H5A	119.0	H13A—C13—H13C	109.5
C4—C5—H5A	119.0	H13B—C13—H13C	109.5
C5—C6—C1	120.8 (3)	O—C14—H14A	109.5
C5—C6—H6A	119.6	O—C14—H14B	109.5
C1—C6—H6A	119.6	H14A—C14—H14B	109.5
N1—C7—C12	108.2 (2)	O—C14—H14C	109.5
N1—C7—C8	130.4 (3)	H14A—C14—H14C	109.5
C12—C7—C8	121.4 (3)	H14B—C14—H14C	109.5
C7—N1—N2—N3	0.3 (3)	C13—C4—C5—C6	177.3 (3)
C7—N1—N2—C2	177.1 (3)	C4—C5—C6—C1	0.3 (5)
N1—N2—N3—C12	-0.2 (3)	O—C1—C6—C5	179.4 (3)
C2—N2—N3—C12	-177.0 (2)	C2—C1—C6—C5	0.9 (5)
C14—O—C1—C2	-154.6 (4)	N2—N1—C7—C12	-0.3 (3)
C14—O—C1—C6	26.9 (7)	N2—N1—C7—C8	-178.9 (4)
O—C1—C2—C3	-179.7 (3)	N1—C7—C8—C9	178.0 (4)
C6—C1—C2—C3	-1.0 (5)	C12—C7—C8—C9	-0.4 (5)
O—C1—C2—N2	1.8 (4)	C7—C8—C9—C10	-0.3 (6)
C6—C1—C2—N2	-179.5 (3)	C8—C9—C10—C11	0.3 (7)
N3—N2—C2—C3	56.9 (4)	C9—C10—C11—C12	0.4 (7)
N1—N2—C2—C3	-119.8 (3)	N2—N3—C12—C7	0.0 (3)
N3—N2—C2—C1	-124.6 (3)	N2—N3—C12—C11	177.5 (4)
N1—N2—C2—C1	58.8 (4)	N1—C7—C12—N3	0.2 (4)
C1—C2—C3—C4	-0.1 (4)	C8—C7—C12—N3	178.9 (3)
N2—C2—C3—C4	178.5 (3)	N1—C7—C12—C11	-177.6 (3)
C2—C3—C4—C5	1.2 (4)	C8—C7—C12—C11	1.1 (5)
C2—C3—C4—C13	-177.5 (3)	C10—C11—C12—N3	-178.4 (4)
C3—C4—C5—C6	-1.3 (5)	C10—C11—C12—C7	-1.1 (6)

Fig. 1

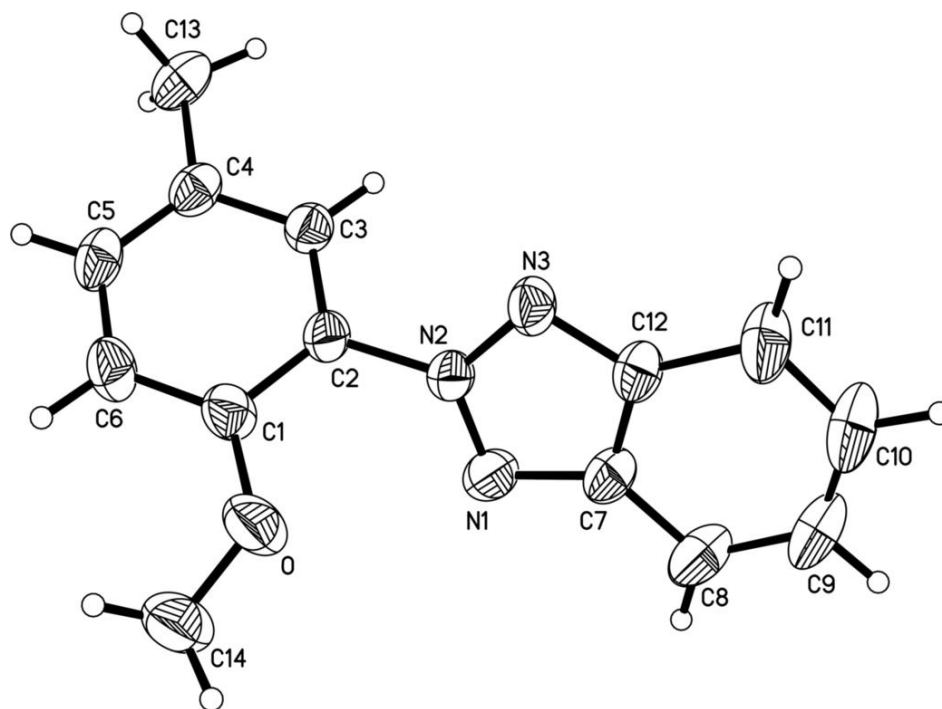




Fig. 2

