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2-(4-Bromophenyl)-1-ethyl-1*H*-1,3-benzodiazole

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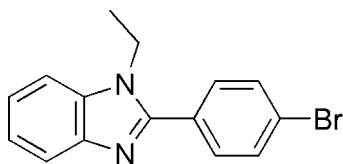
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 293$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.008$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.050;  $wR$  factor = 0.111; data-to-parameter ratio = 14.7.

In the title compound,  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{13}\text{BrN}_2$ , the benzimidazole group is almost planar, as indicated by the dihedral angle of  $2.6$  ( $3$ ) $^\circ$  between the best planes through the benzene and imidazole rings. The best plane through the attached benzene makes an angle of  $44.5$  ( $2$ ) $^\circ$  with the best plane through the benzimidazole system.  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\pi$  interactions are observed in the crystal structure.

## Related literature

For the synthesis, see: Kakimoto *et al.* (2008). For bond-length data, see: Allen *et al.* (1987).



## Experimental

## Crystal data

$\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{13}\text{BrN}_2$   
 $M_r = 301.18$   
Triclinic,  $P\bar{1}$   
 $a = 9.0780$  (18) Å  
 $b = 9.1480$  (18) Å  
 $c = 9.2750$  (19) Å  
 $\alpha = 76.72$  ( $3$ ) $^\circ$   
 $\beta = 78.44$  ( $3$ ) $^\circ$   
 $\gamma = 61.05$  ( $3$ ) $^\circ$   
 $V = 652.4$  (2) Å $^3$   
 $Z = 2$   
Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 3.13$  mm $^{-1}$   
 $T = 293$  K  
 $0.20 \times 0.10 \times 0.10$  mm

## Data collection

Enraf–Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer  
Absorption correction:  $\psi$  scan (North *et al.*, 1968)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.573$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.745$   
2550 measured reflections  
2388 independent reflections  
1322 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.068$   
3 standard reflections every 200 reflections  
intensity decay: 1%

## Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.050$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.111$   
 $S = 1.00$   
2388 reflections  
163 parameters  
H-atom parameters constrained  
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.28$  e Å $^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.32$  e Å $^{-3}$

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å,  $^\circ$ ).

$\text{Cg1}$  and  $\text{Cg2}$  are the centroids of the imidazolyl and C1–C6 benzene rings, respectively.

$D-\text{H}\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}$	$\text{H}\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}\cdots A$
$\text{C12}-\text{H12A}\cdots\text{Cg2}^i$	0.93	2.80	3.364 (2)	120
$\text{C13}-\text{H13A}\cdots\text{Cg1}^i$	0.93	2.93	3.429 (5)	115

Symmetry code: (i)  $-x + 1, -y - 2, -z$ .

Data collection: *CAD-4 Software* (Enraf–Nonius, 1985); cell refinement: *CAD-4 Software*; data reduction: *XCAD4* (Harms & Wocadlo, 1995); 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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### Comment

The title compound, (I), 2-(4-bromophenyl)-1-ethyl-1*H*-benzo[*d*]imidazole is an important intermediate organic intermediate which can be used for many fields such as OLED materials (Kakimoto *et al.*, 2008). Here we report the crystal structure of (I). The molecular structure of (I) is shown in Fig. 1, the bond lengths and angles are within normal ranges (Allen *et al.*, 1987).

In the benzimidazolyl group, the best planes through the phenyl ring and imidazolyl ring make an angle of 2.6 (2) °. Phenyl ring C8—C13 (connected with Br atom) makes an angle of 45.2 (3) ° and 43.3 (3) ° with phenyl ring C1—C6 and the imidazolyl ring, respectively.

In the crystal packing of (I), there were no classic intramolecular or intermolecular hydrogen bonds. Two C—H⋯ring interactions are present (Table 1, Fig.2).

### Experimental

The title compound, (I) was prepared by a method reported in literature (Kakimoto *et al.*, 2008). The crystals were obtained by dissolving (I) (0.5 g, 1.61 mmol) in ethanol (25 ml) and evaporating the solvent slowly at room temperature for about 7 d.

### Refinement

All H atoms were positioned geometrically and constrained to ride on their parent atoms, with C—H = 0.93 Å for aromatic H, C—H = 0.96 Å and 0.97 Å for CH<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>3</sub> groups, respectively, with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = xU_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ , where  $x = 1.2$  for aromatic H, and  $x = 1.5$  for other H atoms.

### Figures

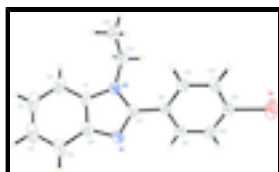


Fig. 1. The molecular structure of title compound (I), with the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 40% probability level.

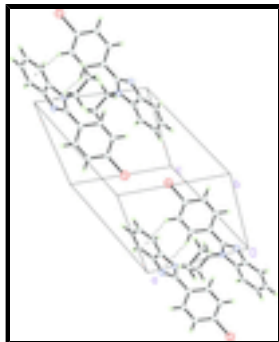


Fig. 2. Packing diagram for (I) showing C—H...ring interactions.

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Absorption correction: $\psi$ scan (North <i>et al.</i> , 1968)	$h = 0 \rightarrow 10$
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2550 measured reflections	$l = -10 \rightarrow 11$
2388 independent reflections	3 standard reflections every 200 reflections
	intensity decay: 1%

### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods
Least-squares matrix: full	Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.050$	Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites
$wR(F^2) = 0.111$	H-atom parameters constrained

$S = 1.00$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.049P)^2]$
2388 reflections	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
163 parameters	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$
0 restraints	$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.28 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
	$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.32 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

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

	$x$	$y$	$z$	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
Br	0.32320 (8)	-0.57697 (8)	0.48665 (6)	0.0929 (3)
N1	0.1726 (4)	-0.8039 (4)	-0.1030 (4)	0.0524 (9)
C1	0.2103 (5)	-1.0699 (6)	-0.0928 (5)	0.0519 (12)
N2	0.2453 (4)	-1.0570 (5)	0.0412 (4)	0.0486 (9)
C2	0.2144 (6)	-1.2057 (7)	-0.1407 (6)	0.0698 (14)
H2A	0.2384	-1.3083	-0.0784	0.084*
C3	0.1808 (7)	-1.1794 (9)	-0.2856 (7)	0.0872 (19)
H3A	0.1828	-1.2662	-0.3234	0.105*
C4	0.1437 (6)	-1.0237 (9)	-0.3760 (6)	0.0827 (18)
H4A	0.1248	-1.0112	-0.4741	0.099*
C5	0.1337 (5)	-0.8882 (7)	-0.3275 (5)	0.0694 (14)
H5A	0.1054	-0.7847	-0.3892	0.083*
C6	0.1682 (5)	-0.9129 (6)	-0.1804 (5)	0.0524 (12)
C7	0.2206 (5)	-0.8950 (6)	0.0272 (5)	0.0461 (10)
C8	0.2462 (5)	-0.8272 (5)	0.1432 (4)	0.0439 (10)
C9	0.1320 (6)	-0.6632 (6)	0.1667 (5)	0.0538 (11)
H9A	0.0382	-0.6028	0.1131	0.065*
C10	0.1543 (6)	-0.5881 (6)	0.2670 (5)	0.0631 (13)
H10A	0.0761	-0.4783	0.2818	0.076*
C11	0.2940 (6)	-0.6771 (6)	0.3456 (5)	0.0552 (12)
C12	0.4095 (6)	-0.8382 (6)	0.3237 (4)	0.0563 (12)
H12A	0.5034	-0.8977	0.3773	0.068*
C13	0.3864 (5)	-0.9121 (6)	0.2220 (4)	0.0515 (11)
H13A	0.4665	-1.0209	0.2061	0.062*
C14	0.2964 (6)	-1.1962 (6)	0.1673 (5)	0.0588 (12)
H14A	0.2218	-1.2480	0.1842	0.071*
H14B	0.2831	-1.1505	0.2564	0.071*

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C15	0.4772 (6)	-1.3301 (6)	0.1421 (5)	0.0673 (13)
H15A	0.5041	-1.4173	0.2274	0.101*
H15B	0.5519	-1.2802	0.1271	0.101*
H15C	0.4905	-1.3781	0.0556	0.101*

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

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
Br	0.1271 (6)	0.1207 (6)	0.0706 (4)	-0.0799 (5)	0.0003 (3)	-0.0424 (3)
N1	0.052 (2)	0.057 (2)	0.044 (2)	-0.018 (2)	-0.0118 (18)	-0.0083 (19)
C1	0.042 (3)	0.064 (3)	0.056 (3)	-0.022 (3)	0.000 (2)	-0.030 (3)
N2	0.046 (2)	0.055 (3)	0.047 (2)	-0.0224 (19)	-0.0062 (17)	-0.0112 (19)
C2	0.057 (3)	0.079 (4)	0.085 (4)	-0.033 (3)	0.001 (3)	-0.037 (3)
C3	0.069 (4)	0.128 (6)	0.098 (5)	-0.055 (4)	0.006 (3)	-0.068 (4)
C4	0.057 (4)	0.138 (6)	0.072 (4)	-0.045 (4)	-0.006 (3)	-0.051 (4)
C5	0.050 (3)	0.102 (4)	0.051 (3)	-0.024 (3)	-0.006 (2)	-0.028 (3)
C6	0.036 (3)	0.067 (4)	0.052 (3)	-0.019 (2)	-0.005 (2)	-0.019 (3)
C7	0.040 (3)	0.051 (3)	0.047 (3)	-0.020 (2)	0.000 (2)	-0.014 (2)
C8	0.045 (3)	0.048 (3)	0.037 (2)	-0.021 (2)	-0.002 (2)	-0.007 (2)
C9	0.057 (3)	0.048 (3)	0.051 (3)	-0.018 (3)	-0.013 (2)	-0.005 (2)
C10	0.075 (4)	0.048 (3)	0.066 (3)	-0.025 (3)	0.001 (3)	-0.022 (2)
C11	0.068 (3)	0.065 (3)	0.046 (3)	-0.039 (3)	0.001 (2)	-0.017 (2)
C12	0.050 (3)	0.072 (4)	0.047 (3)	-0.025 (3)	-0.005 (2)	-0.017 (2)
C13	0.045 (3)	0.052 (3)	0.053 (3)	-0.014 (2)	-0.006 (2)	-0.017 (2)
C14	0.065 (3)	0.057 (3)	0.058 (3)	-0.035 (3)	0.000 (2)	-0.007 (3)
C15	0.060 (3)	0.060 (3)	0.075 (3)	-0.023 (3)	-0.005 (3)	-0.012 (3)

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

Br—C11	1.883 (4)	C8—C13	1.383 (5)
N1—C7	1.319 (5)	C8—C9	1.388 (6)
N1—C6	1.374 (5)	C9—C10	1.372 (6)
C1—N2	1.386 (5)	C9—H9A	0.9300
C1—C6	1.388 (6)	C10—C11	1.379 (6)
C1—C2	1.394 (6)	C10—H10A	0.9300
N2—C7	1.365 (5)	C11—C12	1.367 (6)
N2—C14	1.472 (5)	C12—C13	1.379 (5)
C2—C3	1.379 (7)	C12—H12A	0.9300
C2—H2A	0.9300	C13—H13A	0.9300
C3—C4	1.394 (8)	C14—C15	1.510 (6)
C3—H3A	0.9300	C14—H14A	0.9700
C4—C5	1.370 (7)	C14—H14B	0.9700
C4—H4A	0.9300	C15—H15A	0.9600
C5—C6	1.404 (6)	C15—H15B	0.9600
C5—H5A	0.9300	C15—H15C	0.9600
C7—C8	1.464 (5)		
C7—N1—C6	104.7 (4)	C10—C9—C8	121.6 (4)
N2—C1—C6	105.7 (4)	C10—C9—H9A	119.2

N2—C1—C2	130.8 (5)	C8—C9—H9A	119.2
C6—C1—C2	123.5 (4)	C9—C10—C11	119.2 (4)
C7—N2—C1	105.7 (4)	C9—C10—H10A	120.4
C7—N2—C14	130.3 (3)	C11—C10—H10A	120.4
C1—N2—C14	123.9 (4)	C12—C11—C10	120.5 (4)
C3—C2—C1	116.3 (5)	C12—C11—Br	119.9 (4)
C3—C2—H2A	121.9	C10—C11—Br	119.6 (4)
C1—C2—H2A	121.9	C11—C12—C13	119.7 (4)
C2—C3—C4	120.6 (5)	C11—C12—H12A	120.1
C2—C3—H3A	119.7	C13—C12—H12A	120.1
C4—C3—H3A	119.7	C12—C13—C8	121.1 (4)
C5—C4—C3	123.2 (5)	C12—C13—H13A	119.4
C5—C4—H4A	118.4	C8—C13—H13A	119.4
C3—C4—H4A	118.4	N2—C14—C15	112.8 (4)
C4—C5—C6	117.0 (5)	N2—C14—H14A	109.0
C4—C5—H5A	121.5	C15—C14—H14A	109.0
C6—C5—H5A	121.5	N2—C14—H14B	109.0
N1—C6—C1	110.4 (4)	C15—C14—H14B	109.0
N1—C6—C5	130.2 (5)	H14A—C14—H14B	107.8
C1—C6—C5	119.4 (4)	C14—C15—H15A	109.5
N1—C7—N2	113.5 (4)	C14—C15—H15B	109.5
N1—C7—C8	122.5 (4)	H15A—C15—H15B	109.5
N2—C7—C8	124.1 (4)	C14—C15—H15C	109.5
C13—C8—C9	117.8 (4)	H15A—C15—H15C	109.5
C13—C8—C7	123.5 (4)	H15B—C15—H15C	109.5
C9—C8—C7	118.5 (4)		
C6—C1—N2—C7	0.7 (4)	C14—N2—C7—N1	-179.2 (4)
C2—C1—N2—C7	-179.9 (4)	C1—N2—C7—C8	-179.0 (4)
C6—C1—N2—C14	-179.8 (4)	C14—N2—C7—C8	1.5 (7)
C2—C1—N2—C14	-0.3 (7)	N1—C7—C8—C13	-133.5 (4)
N2—C1—C2—C3	-176.6 (4)	N2—C7—C8—C13	45.7 (6)
C6—C1—C2—C3	2.7 (6)	N1—C7—C8—C9	40.5 (6)
C1—C2—C3—C4	-0.6 (7)	N2—C7—C8—C9	-140.3 (4)
C2—C3—C4—C5	-1.8 (8)	C13—C8—C9—C10	-1.5 (6)
C3—C4—C5—C6	2.0 (7)	C7—C8—C9—C10	-175.9 (4)
C7—N1—C6—C1	1.5 (5)	C8—C9—C10—C11	0.5 (7)
C7—N1—C6—C5	-176.5 (4)	C9—C10—C11—C12	0.2 (7)
N2—C1—C6—N1	-1.4 (5)	C9—C10—C11—Br	-178.6 (3)
C2—C1—C6—N1	179.1 (4)	C10—C11—C12—C13	0.1 (7)
N2—C1—C6—C5	176.9 (3)	Br—C11—C12—C13	179.0 (3)
C2—C1—C6—C5	-2.6 (6)	C11—C12—C13—C8	-1.2 (6)
C4—C5—C6—N1	178.1 (4)	C9—C8—C13—C12	1.9 (6)
C4—C5—C6—C1	0.2 (6)	C7—C8—C13—C12	175.9 (4)
C6—N1—C7—N2	-1.1 (5)	C7—N2—C14—C15	-106.0 (5)
C6—N1—C7—C8	178.2 (4)	C1—N2—C14—C15	74.6 (5)
C1—N2—C7—N1	0.2 (5)		

## supplementary materials

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### Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

Cg1 and Cg2 are the centroids of the imidazolyl and C1–C6 benzene rings, respectively.

<i>D</i> —H $\cdots$ <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H	H $\cdots$ <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> $\cdots$ <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H $\cdots$ <i>A</i>
C12—H12A $\cdots$ Cg2 <sup>i</sup>	0.93	2.80	3.364 (2)	120
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Fig. 1

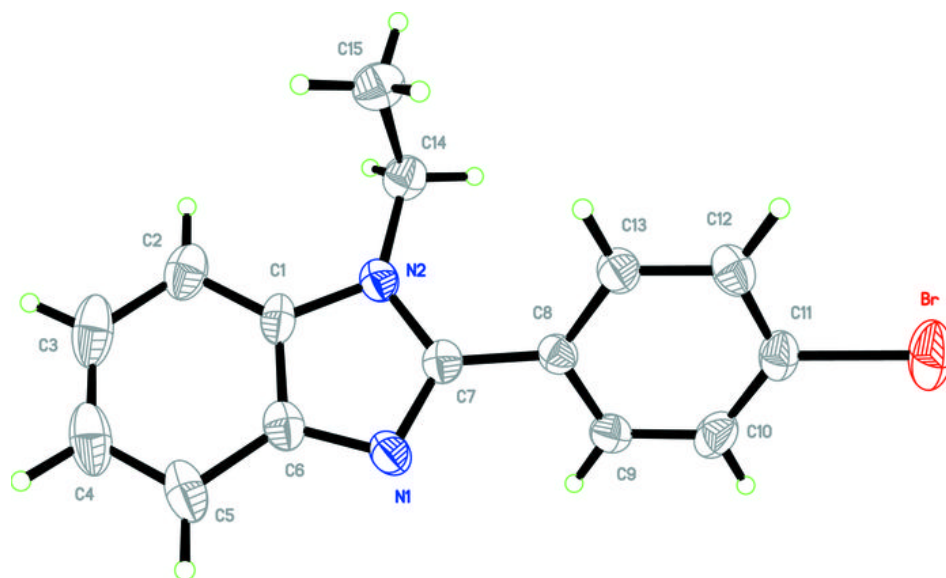


Fig. 2

