

**2,3-Bis(pyrazin-2-yloxyimino)butane**

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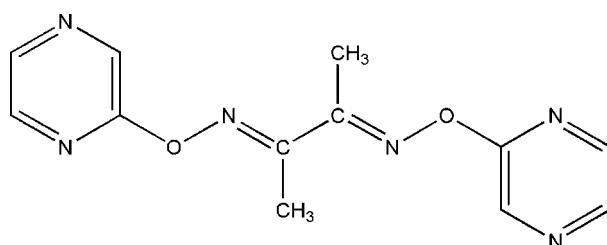
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 298\text{ K}$ ; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003\text{ \AA}$ ;  $R$  factor = 0.057;  $wR$  factor = 0.142; data-to-parameter ratio = 14.9.The title molecule,  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_6\text{O}_2$ , lies on a crystallographic inversion center with all non-H atoms essentially coplanar.**Related literature**

For a related structure, see: Chen &amp; Yang (2008).

**Experimental***Crystal data*

$\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_6\text{O}_2$   
 $M_r = 272.28$   
Monoclinic,  $P2_1/n$   
 $a = 4.7396 (15)\text{ \AA}$   
 $b = 17.141 (5)\text{ \AA}$   
 $c = 7.911 (3)\text{ \AA}$   
 $\beta = 98.065 (5)^\circ$

$V = 636.3 (4)\text{ \AA}^3$   
 $Z = 2$   
Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 0.10\text{ mm}^{-1}$   
 $T = 298 (2)\text{ K}$   
 $0.43 \times 0.10 \times 0.06\text{ mm}$

*Data collection*

Bruker SMART APEX CCD  
diffractometer  
Absorption correction: multi-scan  
(*SADABS*; Sheldrick, 1996)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.957$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.994$

3621 measured reflections  
1368 independent reflections  
872 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.036$

*Refinement*

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.057$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.142$   
 $S = 1.03$   
1368 reflections

92 parameters  
H-atom parameters constrained  
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.19\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.16\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2007); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2007); 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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Supplementary data and figures for this paper are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: LH2694).

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### S1. Comment

We are interested in the design and synthesis of multi-dentate ligands containing pyrazinyl and butane-2,3-dione dioxime and hence we have previously synthesized (2E,3E)-3-(pyrazin-2-yloxyimino)butane-2-one oxime (Chen *et al.*, 2008) and now we report herein homologous title compound (I).

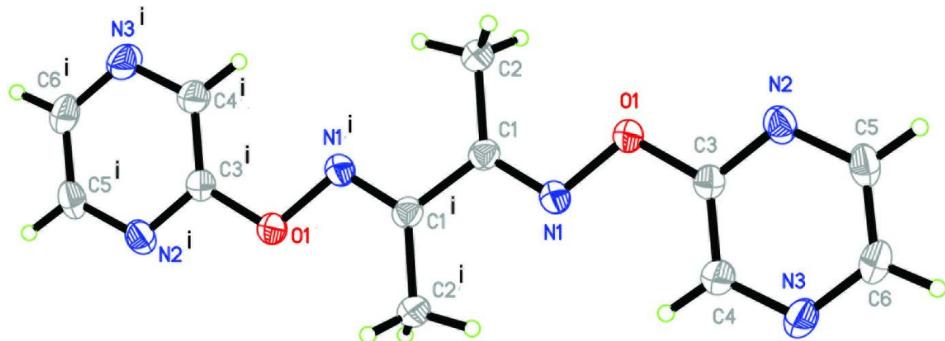
Fig. 1 shows the molecular structure with an inversion centre located in the middle of the C1-C1<sup>i</sup> bond [symmetry code: (i) -x+1, -y+1, -z]. All of the non-hydrogen atoms define a plane within 0.0652 Å with a maximum deviation of 0.1212 (16) Å for atom C4.

### S2. Experimental

A powder of the title compound (0.0473 g, 0.174 mmol) was dissolved into a mixture of solvents containing 20 ml dichloromethane and 10 ml methanol. The colorless single crystals were obtained after the solution was allowed to stand at room temperature for two days.

### S3. Refinement

All H atoms were placed in calculated positions and refined as riding with C—H = 0.96 Å,  $U_{\text{iso}} = 1.5U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$  for methyl group and C—H = 0.93 Å,  $U_{\text{iso}} = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$  for pyrazinyl H atoms.



**Figure 1**

Molecular structure of the title compound with the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level [symmetry code: (i) -x+1, -y+1, -z].

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 $Z = 2$   
 $F(000) = 284$   
 $D_x = 1.421 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$   
Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$

Cell parameters from 556 reflections  
 $\theta = 2.4\text{--}20.6^\circ$   
 $\mu = 0.10 \text{ mm}^{-1}$   
 $T = 298 \text{ K}$   
Needle, colorless  
 $0.43 \times 0.10 \times 0.06 \text{ mm}$

#### Data collection

Bruker SMART APEX CCD diffractometer  
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Graphite monochromator  
 $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans  
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.957$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.994$

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 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.036$   
 $\theta_{\max} = 27.0^\circ$ ,  $\theta_{\min} = 2.4^\circ$   
 $h = -6 \rightarrow 5$   
 $k = -21 \rightarrow 17$   
 $l = -9 \rightarrow 10$

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
Least-squares matrix: full  
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.057$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.142$   
 $S = 1.03$   
1368 reflections  
92 parameters  
0 restraints  
Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods

Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map  
Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites  
H-atom parameters constrained  
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.062P)^2 + 0.0016P]$   
where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.19 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.16 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

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

	$x$	$y$	$z$	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
C1	0.4107 (4)	0.53547 (11)	-0.0115 (3)	0.0380 (5)
C2	0.4063 (5)	0.58565 (13)	-0.1667 (3)	0.0555 (7)
H2A	0.2172	0.5864	-0.2290	0.083*
H2B	0.5364	0.5650	-0.2380	0.083*
H2C	0.4623	0.6378	-0.1326	0.083*
C3	-0.0460 (5)	0.63257 (12)	0.2132 (3)	0.0378 (5)
C4	-0.0315 (5)	0.58891 (14)	0.3610 (3)	0.0493 (6)
H4	0.0872	0.5455	0.3752	0.059*
C5	-0.3601 (5)	0.71330 (13)	0.3082 (3)	0.0507 (7)
H5	-0.4777	0.7569	0.2942	0.061*

C6	-0.3497 (5)	0.67050 (14)	0.4551 (3)	0.0550 (7)
H6	-0.4610	0.6856	0.5373	0.066*
N1	0.2691 (4)	0.54817 (9)	0.1113 (2)	0.0413 (5)
N2	-0.2076 (4)	0.69473 (10)	0.1842 (2)	0.0473 (5)
N3	-0.1848 (5)	0.60809 (12)	0.4829 (3)	0.0585 (6)
O1	0.1028 (3)	0.61679 (8)	0.07990 (19)	0.0447 (5)

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

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
C1	0.0409 (14)	0.0379 (12)	0.0351 (12)	-0.0026 (9)	0.0053 (10)	-0.0015 (9)
C2	0.0700 (18)	0.0561 (15)	0.0443 (14)	0.0184 (13)	0.0213 (12)	0.0095 (11)
C3	0.0357 (13)	0.0368 (12)	0.0416 (13)	-0.0028 (10)	0.0084 (10)	-0.0026 (9)
C4	0.0509 (16)	0.0531 (14)	0.0453 (14)	0.0092 (11)	0.0116 (11)	0.0036 (11)
C5	0.0495 (15)	0.0371 (13)	0.0691 (18)	0.0028 (11)	0.0208 (13)	-0.0080 (11)
C6	0.0572 (17)	0.0602 (16)	0.0514 (16)	0.0023 (13)	0.0209 (12)	-0.0122 (12)
N1	0.0429 (12)	0.0382 (10)	0.0439 (11)	0.0056 (8)	0.0100 (9)	0.0015 (8)
N2	0.0504 (13)	0.0348 (11)	0.0594 (13)	0.0017 (9)	0.0176 (10)	0.0011 (8)
N3	0.0575 (14)	0.0742 (14)	0.0477 (13)	0.0163 (12)	0.0207 (10)	0.0036 (10)
O1	0.0499 (10)	0.0432 (9)	0.0441 (9)	0.0108 (7)	0.0175 (7)	0.0044 (6)

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

C1—N1	1.275 (3)	C4—N3	1.328 (3)
C1—C1 <sup>i</sup>	1.478 (4)	C4—H4	0.9300
C1—C2	1.496 (3)	C5—N2	1.336 (3)
C2—H2A	0.9600	C5—C6	1.369 (3)
C2—H2B	0.9600	C5—H5	0.9300
C2—H2C	0.9600	C6—N3	1.325 (3)
C3—N2	1.314 (3)	C6—H6	0.9300
C3—O1	1.376 (3)	N1—O1	1.418 (2)
C3—C4	1.381 (3)		
N1—C1—C1 <sup>i</sup>	113.6 (2)	N3—C4—H4	119.6
N1—C1—C2	125.36 (19)	C3—C4—H4	119.6
C1 <sup>i</sup> —C1—C2	121.1 (2)	N2—C5—C6	122.5 (2)
C1—C2—H2A	109.5	N2—C5—H5	118.8
C1—C2—H2B	109.5	C6—C5—H5	118.8
H2A—C2—H2B	109.5	N3—C6—C5	121.6 (2)
C1—C2—H2C	109.5	N3—C6—H6	119.2
H2A—C2—H2C	109.5	C5—C6—H6	119.2
H2B—C2—H2C	109.5	C1—N1—O1	110.30 (17)
N2—C3—O1	112.01 (18)	C3—N2—C5	115.3 (2)
N2—C3—C4	123.1 (2)	C6—N3—C4	116.7 (2)
O1—C3—C4	124.90 (19)	C3—O1—N1	111.15 (15)
N3—C4—C3	120.9 (2)		
N2—C3—C4—N3	0.3 (4)	C6—C5—N2—C3	-0.2 (3)

O1—C3—C4—N3	−179.5 (2)	C5—C6—N3—C4	−0.3 (4)
N2—C5—C6—N3	0.5 (4)	C3—C4—N3—C6	0.0 (3)
C1 <sup>i</sup> —C1—N1—O1	−179.78 (19)	N2—C3—O1—N1	−178.19 (15)
C2—C1—N1—O1	0.5 (3)	C4—C3—O1—N1	1.6 (3)
O1—C3—N2—C5	179.60 (18)	C1—N1—O1—C3	−178.45 (17)
C4—C3—N2—C5	−0.2 (3)		

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