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3-Methoxy-4-[3-(2-methyl-4-nitro-1*H*-imidazol-1-yl)propoxy]benzaldehydeLei Jin,<sup>a,b</sup> Guang-Zhou Wang<sup>a</sup> and Cheng-He Zhou<sup>a\*</sup>

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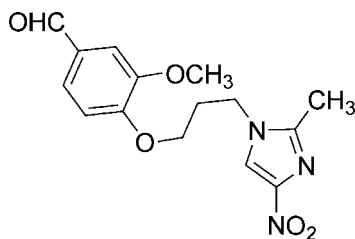
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 173$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.002$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.043;  $wR$  factor = 0.130; data-to-parameter ratio = 15.9.

In the title molecule,  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_3\text{O}_5$ , the dihedral angle between the benzene and imidazole rings is  $3.69(2)^\circ$ . The crystal structure is stabilized by weak intermolecular  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  hydrogen bonds and  $\pi-\pi$  stacking interactions with a centroid-centroid distance of  $3.614(1)$  Å.

## Related literature

For general background to the biological activity of nitroimidazole and its derivatives, see: Demirayak *et al.* (1999); Huang *et al.* (2007); Olender *et al.* (2009). For the synthetic procedure, see: Khalafi-Nezhad *et al.* (2005).



## Experimental

## Crystal data

$\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_3\text{O}_5$   
 $M_r = 319.32$   
 Monoclinic,  $P2_1/n$   
 $a = 9.4885(14)$  Å  
 $b = 13.048(2)$  Å

$c = 12.745(2)$  Å  
 $\beta = 101.120(3)^\circ$   
 $V = 1548.3(4)$  Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 4$   
 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation

$\mu = 0.10$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 173$  K

0.28 × 0.24 × 0.2 mm

## Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD diffractometer  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.971$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.979$

7761 measured reflections  
 3329 independent reflections  
 2329 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.022$

## Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.043$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.130$   
 $S = 1.03$   
 3329 reflections

210 parameters  
 H-atom parameters constrained  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.27$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.19$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-\text{H}\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}$	$\text{H}\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}\cdots A$
$\text{C4}-\text{H4B}\cdots\text{O4}^{\text{i}}$	0.98	2.58	3.415 (3)	144
$\text{C8}-\text{H8}\cdots\text{O4}^{\text{ii}}$	0.95	2.51	3.229 (2)	133
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Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 2000); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2000); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: DIAMOND (Brandenburg & Putz, 1999); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 2008).

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## supporting information

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**S1. Comment**

Nitroimidazole and its derivatives possess several biological activities such as radiosensitizer, anti-tuberculosis and antimicrobial (Demirayak *et al.*, 1999; Huang *et al.*, 2007; Olender *et al.*, 2009). In view of the therapeutic potentials of nitroimidazole derivatives, we are interested in the research and development of nitroimidazole compounds as drugs. Herein we report the crystal structure of the title compound (I).

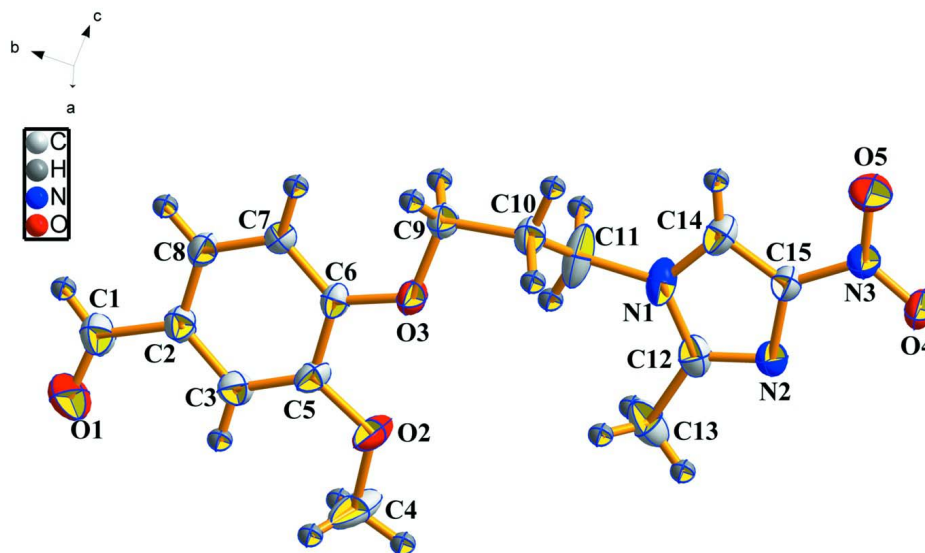
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**S2. Experimental**

Compound (I) was synthesized according to the procedure of Khalafi-Nezhad *et al.* (2005). Single crystals used in X-ray diffraction studies were grown by slow evaporation at room temperature of solutions of (I) in ethyl acetate and dichloromethane mixtures.

**S3. Refinement**

Hydrogen atoms were placed in calculated positions with C—H = 0.95 Å (aromatic), 0.99 Å (methylene) and 0.98 Å (methyl) with  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$  (aromatic and methylene C) or  $1.5U_{eq}(C)$  (methyl C).

**Figure 1**

The molecular structure of (I), showing the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.

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$k = -15 \rightarrow 16$

$l = -13 \rightarrow 16$

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$

Least-squares matrix: full

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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

$$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0623P)^2 + 0.3992P]$$

where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

$$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$$

$$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.27 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$$

$$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.19 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$$

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

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
C1	0.2645 (2)	1.03088 (14)	-0.03024 (16)	0.0502 (5)
H1	0.2344	1.0901	0.0028	0.060*
C2	0.21471 (17)	0.93177 (12)	0.00141 (13)	0.0363 (4)
C3	0.25719 (18)	0.84045 (12)	-0.04102 (14)	0.0381 (4)
H3	0.3193	0.8421	-0.0912	0.046*
C4	0.3482 (2)	0.65169 (17)	-0.1102 (2)	0.0691 (7)
H4A	0.3107	0.6882	-0.1769	0.104*
H4B	0.3681	0.5803	-0.1262	0.104*
H4C	0.4370	0.6847	-0.0737	0.104*
C5	0.20870 (17)	0.74857 (12)	-0.00975 (13)	0.0346 (4)
C6	0.11391 (16)	0.74686 (11)	0.06315 (12)	0.0305 (3)
C7	0.07388 (17)	0.83703 (11)	0.10519 (13)	0.0322 (4)
H7	0.0114	0.8359	0.1551	0.039*
C8	0.12529 (17)	0.92983 (12)	0.07433 (13)	0.0347 (4)
H8	0.0985	0.9921	0.1038	0.042*
C9	-0.01627 (18)	0.64126 (12)	0.16566 (14)	0.0360 (4)
H9A	-0.1090	0.6775	0.1440	0.043*
H9B	0.0344	0.6699	0.2346	0.043*
C10	-0.04042 (17)	0.52728 (12)	0.17563 (14)	0.0378 (4)
H10A	-0.1107	0.5152	0.2225	0.045*
H10B	-0.0800	0.4981	0.1043	0.045*
C11	0.0990 (2)	0.47573 (13)	0.2218 (2)	0.0616 (6)
H11A	0.1721	0.4966	0.1802	0.074*
H11B	0.1316	0.4999	0.2962	0.074*
C12	0.16148 (17)	0.29675 (13)	0.16772 (13)	0.0384 (4)
C13	0.2589 (2)	0.33135 (16)	0.09670 (16)	0.0560 (5)
H13A	0.2936	0.2717	0.0624	0.084*
H13B	0.3407	0.3680	0.1390	0.084*
H13C	0.2066	0.3772	0.0417	0.084*
C14	0.01304 (17)	0.30668 (12)	0.28026 (15)	0.0403 (4)

H14	-0.0475	0.3304	0.3264	0.048*
C15	0.04200 (16)	0.20834 (11)	0.25747 (13)	0.0326 (4)
N1	0.09014 (14)	0.36345 (10)	0.22222 (12)	0.0417 (4)
N2	0.13429 (14)	0.20076 (10)	0.18821 (11)	0.0346 (3)
N3	-0.01634 (15)	0.11998 (11)	0.29957 (12)	0.0404 (4)
O1	0.34061 (19)	1.04390 (12)	-0.09476 (13)	0.0758 (5)
O2	0.24432 (13)	0.65445 (9)	-0.04271 (11)	0.0493 (4)
O3	0.06945 (12)	0.65190 (8)	0.08547 (10)	0.0376 (3)
O4	0.02197 (15)	0.03485 (9)	0.27613 (12)	0.0544 (4)
O5	-0.10418 (15)	0.13411 (11)	0.35800 (12)	0.0611 (4)

*Atomic displacement parameters (Å<sup>2</sup>)*

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
C1	0.0631 (12)	0.0379 (10)	0.0515 (11)	-0.0115 (8)	0.0156 (10)	0.0021 (8)
C2	0.0422 (9)	0.0306 (8)	0.0360 (9)	-0.0055 (7)	0.0074 (7)	0.0004 (7)
C3	0.0385 (9)	0.0378 (9)	0.0404 (9)	-0.0086 (7)	0.0139 (7)	-0.0058 (7)
C4	0.0556 (12)	0.0577 (13)	0.1071 (19)	-0.0074 (10)	0.0486 (13)	-0.0360 (13)
C5	0.0327 (8)	0.0294 (8)	0.0427 (9)	-0.0027 (6)	0.0097 (7)	-0.0106 (7)
C6	0.0306 (8)	0.0248 (7)	0.0355 (8)	-0.0027 (6)	0.0046 (6)	-0.0010 (6)
C7	0.0370 (8)	0.0285 (8)	0.0327 (8)	0.0011 (6)	0.0106 (7)	-0.0008 (6)
C8	0.0420 (9)	0.0249 (8)	0.0365 (9)	0.0012 (6)	0.0057 (7)	-0.0022 (6)
C9	0.0391 (9)	0.0279 (8)	0.0435 (9)	-0.0007 (7)	0.0140 (7)	0.0017 (7)
C10	0.0375 (9)	0.0284 (8)	0.0483 (10)	-0.0015 (7)	0.0106 (7)	0.0036 (7)
C11	0.0487 (11)	0.0249 (9)	0.0984 (17)	-0.0025 (8)	-0.0175 (11)	0.0050 (9)
C12	0.0367 (8)	0.0364 (9)	0.0391 (9)	-0.0067 (7)	-0.0004 (7)	0.0046 (7)
C13	0.0567 (12)	0.0595 (12)	0.0517 (12)	-0.0214 (10)	0.0102 (10)	0.0122 (10)
C14	0.0356 (8)	0.0316 (9)	0.0529 (11)	0.0045 (7)	0.0065 (8)	-0.0035 (8)
C15	0.0321 (8)	0.0273 (8)	0.0384 (9)	0.0018 (6)	0.0068 (7)	0.0007 (6)
N1	0.0360 (8)	0.0254 (7)	0.0597 (10)	-0.0008 (6)	-0.0008 (7)	0.0048 (6)
N2	0.0368 (7)	0.0309 (7)	0.0370 (7)	-0.0023 (6)	0.0092 (6)	0.0003 (6)
N3	0.0445 (8)	0.0319 (7)	0.0494 (9)	0.0022 (6)	0.0202 (7)	0.0034 (6)
O1	0.1041 (12)	0.0577 (9)	0.0781 (11)	-0.0285 (9)	0.0487 (10)	0.0027 (8)
O2	0.0480 (7)	0.0329 (7)	0.0749 (9)	-0.0048 (5)	0.0318 (7)	-0.0182 (6)
O3	0.0431 (6)	0.0236 (6)	0.0494 (7)	-0.0037 (5)	0.0176 (5)	-0.0026 (5)
O4	0.0732 (9)	0.0259 (6)	0.0739 (9)	0.0032 (6)	0.0383 (7)	0.0049 (6)
O5	0.0638 (9)	0.0543 (8)	0.0784 (10)	0.0023 (7)	0.0471 (8)	0.0018 (7)

*Geometric parameters (Å, °)*

C1—O1	1.207 (2)	C9—H9B	0.9900
C1—C2	1.460 (2)	C10—C11	1.499 (2)
C1—H1	0.9500	C10—H10A	0.9900
C2—C8	1.374 (2)	C10—H10B	0.9900
C2—C3	1.400 (2)	C11—N1	1.468 (2)
C3—C5	1.371 (2)	C11—H11A	0.9900
C3—H3	0.9500	C11—H11B	0.9900
C4—O2	1.428 (2)	C12—N2	1.315 (2)

C4—H4A	0.9800	C12—N1	1.371 (2)
C4—H4B	0.9800	C12—C13	1.483 (2)
C4—H4C	0.9800	C13—H13A	0.9800
C5—O2	1.3615 (18)	C13—H13B	0.9800
C5—C6	1.412 (2)	C13—H13C	0.9800
C6—O3	1.3567 (18)	C14—C15	1.355 (2)
C6—C7	1.376 (2)	C14—N1	1.356 (2)
C7—C8	1.390 (2)	C14—H14	0.9500
C7—H7	0.9500	C15—N2	1.362 (2)
C8—H8	0.9500	C15—N3	1.428 (2)
C9—O3	1.4304 (19)	N3—O4	1.2235 (17)
C9—C10	1.514 (2)	N3—O5	1.2339 (18)
C9—H9A	0.9900		
O1—C1—C2	125.53 (19)	C9—C10—H10A	109.7
O1—C1—H1	117.2	C11—C10—H10B	109.7
C2—C1—H1	117.2	C9—C10—H10B	109.7
C8—C2—C3	120.47 (14)	H10A—C10—H10B	108.2
C8—C2—C1	118.55 (15)	N1—C11—C10	113.74 (14)
C3—C2—C1	120.98 (16)	N1—C11—H11A	108.8
C5—C3—C2	119.63 (15)	C10—C11—H11A	108.8
C5—C3—H3	120.2	N1—C11—H11B	108.8
C2—C3—H3	120.2	C10—C11—H11B	108.8
O2—C4—H4A	109.5	H11A—C11—H11B	107.7
O2—C4—H4B	109.5	N2—C12—N1	111.65 (15)
H4A—C4—H4B	109.5	N2—C12—C13	125.48 (17)
O2—C4—H4C	109.5	N1—C12—C13	122.86 (16)
H4A—C4—H4C	109.5	C12—C13—H13A	109.5
H4B—C4—H4C	109.5	C12—C13—H13B	109.5
O2—C5—C3	125.59 (15)	H13A—C13—H13B	109.5
O2—C5—C6	114.59 (14)	C12—C13—H13C	109.5
C3—C5—C6	119.82 (14)	H13A—C13—H13C	109.5
O3—C6—C7	125.37 (14)	H13B—C13—H13C	109.5
O3—C6—C5	114.55 (13)	C15—C14—N1	104.31 (15)
C7—C6—C5	120.08 (14)	C15—C14—H14	127.8
C6—C7—C8	119.74 (14)	N1—C14—H14	127.8
C6—C7—H7	120.1	C14—C15—N2	112.96 (14)
C8—C7—H7	120.1	C14—C15—N3	125.07 (15)
C2—C8—C7	120.23 (14)	N2—C15—N3	121.97 (13)
C2—C8—H8	119.9	C14—N1—C12	107.49 (13)
C7—C8—H8	119.9	C14—N1—C11	125.74 (17)
O3—C9—C10	105.75 (12)	C12—N1—C11	126.73 (16)
O3—C9—H9A	110.6	C12—N2—C15	103.59 (13)
C10—C9—H9A	110.6	O4—N3—O5	123.37 (14)
O3—C9—H9B	110.6	O4—N3—C15	119.10 (13)
C10—C9—H9B	110.6	O5—N3—C15	117.52 (13)
H9A—C9—H9B	108.7	C5—O2—C4	116.73 (14)
C11—C10—C9	109.72 (14)	C6—O3—C9	118.76 (12)

C11—C10—H10A

109.7

*Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)*

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