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***N,N'*-(Pyridine-2,6-diyl)dibenzamide**

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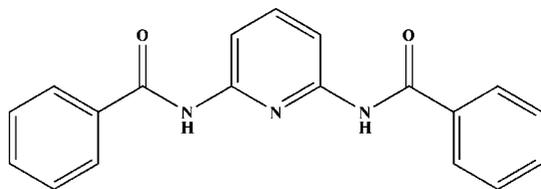
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; $T = 100$ K; mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003$ Å; R factor = 0.044; wR factor = 0.090; data-to-parameter ratio = 11.6.

The molecule of the title compound, $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2$, is completed by the application of crystallographic twofold symmetry, with the pyridine N atom lying on the rotation axis. The molecular structure is approximately planar, the dihedral angle between the mean planes of the pyridine and benzene rings being 7.53 (11)°. In the crystal, $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$ hydrogen bonds link the molecules into a two-dimensional array perpendicular to the c axis.

Related literature

For metal complexes of carboxamide ligands, see: Adolph *et al.* (2012); Amiri *et al.* (2009).



Experimental

Crystal data

$\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2$
 $M_r = 317.34$

Tetragonal, $P4_12_12$
 $a = 5.0314$ (1) Å

$c = 58.701$ (3) Å
 $V = 1486.02$ (8) Å³
 $Z = 4$
Mo $K\alpha$ radiation

$\mu = 0.10$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 100$ K
 $0.21 \times 0.09 \times 0.02$ mm

Data collection

Oxford Diffraction Xcalibur Opal diffractometer
Absorption correction: multi-scan (*CrysAlis RED*; Oxford Diffraction, 2010)
 $T_{\min} = 0.986$, $T_{\max} = 1.000$

1298 measured reflections
16463 independent reflections
1168 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.065$

Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.044$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.090$
 $S = 1.23$
1298 reflections

112 parameters
H-atom parameters constrained
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.18$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.16$ e Å⁻³

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
$\text{N2}-\text{H2}\cdots\text{O1}^1$	0.86	2.25	3.030 (2)	151

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

Data collection: *CrysAlis CCD* (Oxford Diffraction, 2010); cell refinement: *CrysAlis CCD*; data reduction: *CrysAlis RED* (Oxford Diffraction, 2010); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *WinGX* (Farrugia, 2012) and *DIAMOND* (Brandenburg & Putz, 2006); software used to prepare material for publication: *publCIF* (Westrip, 2010).

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S1. Comment

Carboxamides are compounds which are prepared by the reaction of amines and acylhalides. They are important *N,O*-donor ligands and have widespread applications in fields such as in coordination chemistry (Adolph *et al.* 2012 & Amiri *et al.* 2009). As biologically active compounds, carboxamides find application in the treatment of diseases such as cancer, rheumatic disorders and inhibitors of calpain (calcium dependant cysteine proteases).

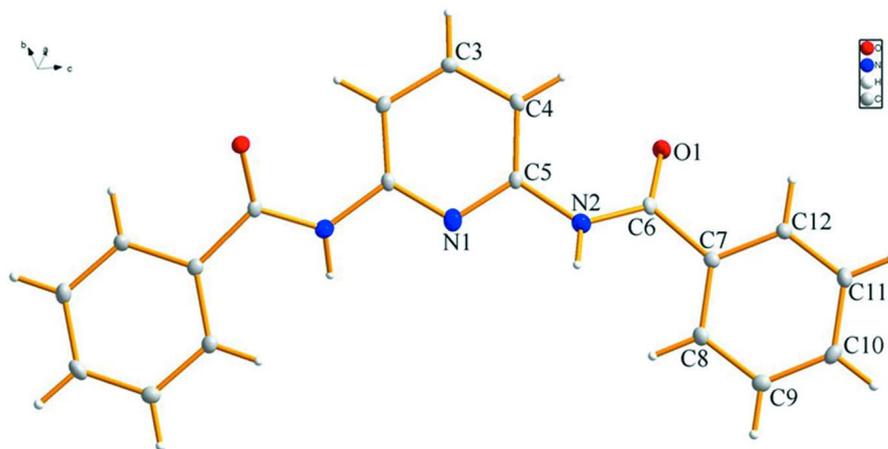
The molecular structure of the title compound is shown in Fig. 1. The molecule is approximately planar with the dihedral angle between the mean planes of the pyridine and benzene rings being 7.53 (11)°. Intermolecular N—H⋯O hydrogen bonds, with the carbonyl-O atoms acting as acceptors, link molecules into a two-dimensional array perpendicular to the *c* axis as illustrated in Fig. 2.

S2. Experimental

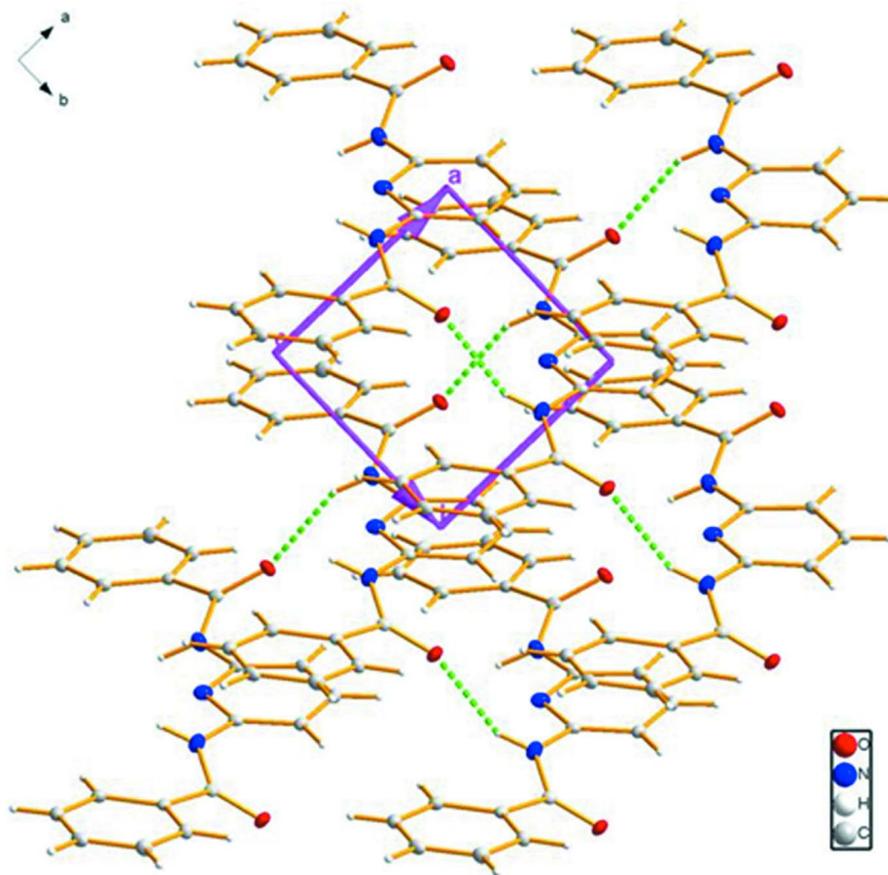
All reagents were commercially available and used as received. To a magnetically stirred solution of 2,6-diaminopyridine (0.109 g, 1 mmol) and triethylamine (0.277 ml, 2 mmol) in dichloromethane (5 ml) was added drop-wise a mixture of benzoyl chloride (0.232 ml, 2 mmol) in dichloromethane (2 ml) at -10 °C over 15 min. The mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for 48 h at room temperature. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel; petroleum ether-ethyl acetate) to give the title compound as a yellow powder. Crystals of the title compound were obtained from its methanol solution by slow solvent evaporation. Yield: 85%. Melting point: 407–408 K. Selected IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3245 (N—H), 3061 (C—H), 1653 (C=O_{amide}), 1584 (C=N), 1461 (C=C).

S3. Refinement

The hydrogen atom of the N—H group was positioned geometrically and refined as a riding atoms with N—H = 0.86 Å, and with $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{N})$. The C—H hydrogen atoms were positioned geometrically and refined as riding atoms with C—H = 0.93 Å, and with $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$.

**Figure 1**

Molecular structure of the title compound showing displacement ellipsoids at the 50% probability level. The molecule has twofold symmetry and the unlabelled atoms are related by the symmetry operation $y, x, -z$.

**Figure 2**

Hydrogen bonding in the title compound leading to supramolecular layers in the ab plane. The green dashed lines indicate N—H...O hydrogen bonds.

N,N'-(Pyridine-2,6-diyl)dibenzamide*Crystal data*C₁₉H₁₅N₃O₂ $M_r = 317.34$ Tetragonal, $P4_12_12$

Hall symbol: P 4abw 2nw

 $a = 5.0314 (1) \text{ \AA}$ $c = 58.701 (3) \text{ \AA}$ $V = 1486.02 (8) \text{ \AA}^3$ $Z = 4$ $F(000) = 664$ $D_x = 1.418 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo $K\alpha$ radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$

Cell parameters from 3266 reflections

 $\theta = 1.7\text{--}28.5^\circ$ $\mu = 0.10 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ $T = 100 \text{ K}$

Block, yellow

 $0.21 \times 0.09 \times 0.02 \text{ mm}$ *Data collection*Oxford Diffraction Xcalibur Opal
diffractometer

Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube

Graphite monochromator

Detector resolution: 8.4441 pixels mm^{-1} ω scan

Absorption correction: multi-scan

(CrysAlis RED; Oxford Diffraction, 2010)

 $T_{\min} = 0.986$, $T_{\max} = 1.000$

16463 measured reflections

1298 independent reflections

1168 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $R_{\text{int}} = 0.065$ $\theta_{\max} = 24.9^\circ$, $\theta_{\min} = 2.8^\circ$ $h = 0 \rightarrow 5$ $k = 0 \rightarrow 4$ $l = -64 \rightarrow 68$ *Refinement*Refinement on F^2

Least-squares matrix: full

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.044$ $wR(F^2) = 0.090$ $S = 1.23$

1298 reflections

112 parameters

0 restraints

Primary atom site location: structure-invariant
direct methodsSecondary atom site location: difference Fourier
mapHydrogen site location: inferred from
neighbouring sites

H-atom parameters constrained

 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.P)^2 + 0.9748P]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$ $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.18 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$ $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.16 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$ Extinction correction: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick,
2008), $F_c^* = kF_c[1 + 0.001x F_c^2 \lambda^3 / \sin(2\theta)]^{-1/4}$

Extinction coefficient: 0.0091 (16)

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 (\AA^2)

	x	y	z	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
O1	1.3618 (3)	0.6195 (3)	0.04884 (3)	0.0204 (4)
N1	0.8073 (4)	0.8073 (4)	0.0000	0.0135 (6)
N2	0.9407 (4)	0.6428 (4)	0.03476 (3)	0.0143 (5)

H2	0.7819	0.5819	0.0362	0.017*
C7	1.0307 (5)	0.3655 (5)	0.06778 (4)	0.0144 (5)
C5	0.9853 (5)	0.8265 (5)	0.01690 (3)	0.0138 (5)
C8	0.8160 (5)	0.1943 (5)	0.06481 (4)	0.0171 (5)
H8	0.7180	0.1997	0.0514	0.020*
C3	1.1969 (5)	1.1969 (5)	0.0000	0.0159 (7)
H3	1.3276	1.3276	0.0000	0.019*
C6	1.1258 (5)	0.5538 (5)	0.04983 (4)	0.0143 (5)
C12	1.1738 (5)	0.3566 (5)	0.08806 (4)	0.0168 (5)
H12	1.3187	0.4690	0.0901	0.020*
C4	1.1857 (5)	1.0149 (5)	0.01758 (4)	0.0154 (5)
H4	1.3082	1.0188	0.0294	0.018*
C11	1.1026 (5)	0.1821 (5)	0.10523 (4)	0.0210 (6)
H11	1.1967	0.1802	0.1189	0.025*
C9	0.7480 (5)	0.0157 (5)	0.08184 (4)	0.0186 (6)
H9	0.6066	-0.1007	0.0797	0.022*
C10	0.8902 (5)	0.0100 (5)	0.10204 (4)	0.0200 (6)
H10	0.8434	-0.1091	0.1135	0.024*

Atomic displacement parameters (Å²)

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
O1	0.0118 (9)	0.0265 (10)	0.0231 (9)	-0.0002 (7)	-0.0012 (7)	0.0046 (8)
N1	0.0144 (9)	0.0144 (9)	0.0118 (13)	0.0035 (12)	0.0000 (8)	0.0000 (8)
N2	0.0115 (11)	0.0178 (11)	0.0135 (9)	-0.0022 (9)	-0.0010 (8)	0.0016 (8)
C7	0.0149 (12)	0.0137 (12)	0.0147 (12)	0.0023 (10)	0.0005 (10)	-0.0025 (10)
C5	0.0164 (12)	0.0140 (13)	0.0110 (11)	0.0045 (10)	0.0008 (10)	-0.0007 (9)
C8	0.0165 (13)	0.0180 (13)	0.0167 (12)	0.0031 (11)	-0.0013 (10)	-0.0004 (10)
C3	0.0157 (11)	0.0157 (11)	0.0162 (17)	-0.0016 (14)	0.0011 (10)	-0.0011 (10)
C6	0.0175 (13)	0.0160 (13)	0.0094 (11)	0.0022 (10)	0.0003 (10)	-0.0033 (9)
C12	0.0197 (13)	0.0164 (13)	0.0143 (11)	-0.0016 (11)	-0.0006 (10)	-0.0013 (10)
C4	0.0144 (13)	0.0181 (13)	0.0136 (11)	0.0018 (10)	-0.0018 (10)	-0.0024 (10)
C11	0.0262 (14)	0.0210 (14)	0.0158 (12)	0.0011 (11)	-0.0039 (10)	0.0007 (11)
C9	0.0175 (13)	0.0173 (13)	0.0211 (12)	0.0003 (11)	0.0018 (11)	-0.0015 (10)
C10	0.0254 (14)	0.0162 (13)	0.0184 (12)	0.0024 (11)	0.0062 (11)	0.0038 (11)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

O1—C6	1.234 (3)	C3—C4 ⁱ	1.381 (3)
N1—C5	1.340 (3)	C3—C4	1.381 (3)
N1—C5 ⁱ	1.340 (3)	C3—H3	0.9300
N2—C6	1.360 (3)	C12—C11	1.384 (3)
N2—C5	1.415 (3)	C12—H12	0.9300
N2—H2	0.8600	C4—H4	0.9300
C7—C12	1.392 (3)	C11—C10	1.388 (3)
C7—C8	1.393 (3)	C11—H11	0.9300
C7—C6	1.496 (3)	C9—C10	1.385 (3)
C5—C4	1.385 (3)	C9—H9	0.9300

C8—C9	1.387 (3)	C10—H10	0.9300
C8—H8	0.9300		
C5—N1—C5 ⁱ	116.9 (3)	O1—C6—C7	120.7 (2)
C6—N2—C5	126.0 (2)	N2—C6—C7	116.6 (2)
C6—N2—H2	117.0	C11—C12—C7	120.6 (2)
C5—N2—H2	117.0	C11—C12—H12	119.7
C12—C7—C8	119.2 (2)	C7—C12—H12	119.7
C12—C7—C6	117.2 (2)	C3—C4—C5	117.5 (2)
C8—C7—C6	123.5 (2)	C3—C4—H4	121.2
N1—C5—C4	123.9 (2)	C5—C4—H4	121.2
N1—C5—N2	113.3 (2)	C12—C11—C10	119.8 (2)
C4—C5—N2	122.8 (2)	C12—C11—H11	120.1
C9—C8—C7	120.1 (2)	C10—C11—H11	120.1
C9—C8—H8	119.9	C10—C9—C8	120.2 (2)
C7—C8—H8	119.9	C10—C9—H9	119.9
C4 ⁱ —C3—C4	120.3 (3)	C8—C9—H9	119.9
C4 ⁱ —C3—H3	119.9	C9—C10—C11	120.0 (2)
C4—C3—H3	119.9	C9—C10—H10	120.0
O1—C6—N2	122.7 (2)	C11—C10—H10	120.0
C5 ⁱ —N1—C5—C4	-0.84 (17)	C8—C7—C6—N2	28.4 (3)
C5 ⁱ —N1—C5—N2	176.1 (2)	C8—C7—C12—C11	-0.7 (4)
C6—N2—C5—N1	156.80 (19)	C6—C7—C12—C11	-178.2 (2)
C6—N2—C5—C4	-26.3 (3)	C4 ⁱ —C3—C4—C5	-0.75 (15)
C12—C7—C8—C9	-0.6 (3)	N1—C5—C4—C3	1.6 (3)
C6—C7—C8—C9	176.7 (2)	N2—C5—C4—C3	-174.99 (17)
C5—N2—C6—O1	-2.8 (4)	C7—C12—C11—C10	1.5 (4)
C5—N2—C6—C7	178.16 (19)	C7—C8—C9—C10	1.2 (3)
C12—C7—C6—O1	26.8 (3)	C8—C9—C10—C11	-0.4 (4)
C8—C7—C6—O1	-150.6 (2)	C12—C11—C10—C9	-0.9 (4)
C12—C7—C6—N2	-154.2 (2)		

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

Hydrogen-bond geometry ($\text{\AA}, ^\circ$)

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
N2—H2 \cdots O1 ⁱⁱ	0.86	2.25	3.030 (2)	151

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