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Crystal structure of fenbuconazole

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In the title compound, $C_{19}H_{17}ClN_4$ [systematic name: (*RS*)-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-phenyl-2-(1*H*-1,2,4-triazol-1-ylmethyl)butyronitrile], which is the conazole fungicide fenbuconazole, the dihedral angles between the planes of the central benzene and the terminal chlorophenyl and triazole rings are 32.77 (5) and 32.97 (5)°, respectively. The C-C-C-C linkage between the tertiary C atom and the benzene ring has an *anti* orientation [torsion angle = 174.47 (12)°]. In the crystal, C-H···N hydrogen bonds and very weak C-Cl··· π interactions [Cl··· π = 3.7892 (9) Å] link adjacent molecules, forming two-dimensional networks lying parellel to the (101) plane. The planes are linked by weak π - π interactions [centroid-centroid separation = 3.8597 (9) Å], resulting in a three-dimensional architecture.

Keywords: crystal structure; fungicide; fenbuconazole; C—Cl··· π interactions; π – π interactions.

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1. Related literature

For information on the fungicidal properties of the title compound, see: Li *et al.* (2012). For related crystal structures, see: Rizzoli *et al.* (2009); Yin *et al.* (2014).



2. Experimental

2.1. Crystal data

 $\begin{array}{l} C_{19}H_{17}\text{ClN}_4\\ M_r = 336.82\\ \text{Monoclinic, } P2_1/n\\ a = 12.4606 \text{ (3) Å}\\ b = 6.7404 \text{ (2) Å}\\ c = 20.5394 \text{ (5) Å}\\ \beta = 95.455 \text{ (2)}^\circ \end{array}$

2.2. Data collection

Bruker APEXII CCD diffractometer Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SADABS*; Bruker, 2013) *T*_{min} = 0.959, *T*_{max} = 0.993

2.3. Refinement

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 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.044$ $wR(F^2) = 0.108$ S = 1.043936 reflections Z = 4Mo K\alpha radiation $\mu = 0.23 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 173 K $0.18 \times 0.07 \times 0.03 \text{ mm}$

V = 1717.28 (8) Å³

15784 measured reflections 3936 independent reflections 3044 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $R_{int} = 0.035$

217 parameters H-atom parameters constrained $\Delta \rho_{max} = 0.25$ e Å⁻³ $\Delta \rho_{min} = -0.30$ e Å⁻³

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$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$		
C8-H8A···N1 ⁱ	0.99	2.53	3.522 (2)	178		
$C11-H11\cdots N1^{i}$	0.95	2.60	3.533 (2)	166		
$C17 - H17A \cdot \cdot \cdot N1^{ii}$	0.99	2.58	3.5101 (18)	156		
$C18-H18\cdots N4^{iii}$	0.95	2.46	3.277 (2)	144		
Symmetry codes: (i) x, y - 1, z; (ii) $-x + 1$, $-y + 2$, $-z + 2$; (iii) $-x + \frac{3}{2}$, $y + \frac{1}{2}$, $-z + \frac{3}{2}$.						

Data collection: *APEX2* (Bruker, 2013); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2013); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL2013* (Sheldrick, 2015); molecular graphics: *DIAMOND* (Brandenburg, 2010); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 2008).

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S1. Comment

Fenbuconazole, [systematic name: (*RS*)-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-phenyl-2-(1*H*-1,2,4-triazol-1-ylmethyl)butyronitrile], is a conazole fungicide and it has been used for the control of leaf spot, yellow and brown rust, powdery mildew, and net blotch on various agricultural and horticultural crops (Li *et al.*, 2012). However, until now its crystal structure has not been reported. The dihedral angles between the planes of the central benzene and the terminal chlorophenyl and triazole rings are 32.77 (5) and 32.97 (5)°, respectively. All bond lengths and bond angles are normal and comparable to those observed in similar crystal structures (Rizzoli *et al.*, 2009; Yin *et al.*, 2014).

In the crystal structure (Fig. 2), C—H… N hydrogen bonds and weak C3–Cl1…Cg1^{iv} (Cg1 is the centroid of the N2–N3–C18–N4–C19 ring) interaction [3.7892 (9) Å] with a chlorophenyl ring are observed (Table 1), forming two-dimensional networks parelle to (101) plane. In addition, the planes are linked by weak intermolecular π … π interaction between the terminal chlorophenyl ring systems [Cg2…Cg2^v, 3.8597 (9) Å], resulting in a three-dimensional architecture. (Cg2 is the centroid of the C1–C6 ring) [for symmetry codes: (iv), -*x* + 1, -*y* + 1, -*z* + 2, (v), -*x*, -*y* + 1, -*z* + 2].

S2. Experimental

The title compound was purchased from the Dr Ehrenstorfer GmbH Company. Slow evaporation of a solution in CH₃CN gave brown plates suitable for X-ray analysis.

S3. Refinement

All H-atoms were positioned geometrically and refined using a riding model with d(C-H) = 0.99 Å, $U_{iso} = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$ for CH₂ group and d(C-H) = 0.95 Å, $U_{iso} = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$ for aromatic C-H.





The asymmetric unit of the title compound with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level.





Crystal packing viewed along the b axis. The intermolecular interactions are shown as dashed lines.

(RS) - 4 - (4 - Chlorophenyl) - 2 - phenyl - 2 - (1H - 1, 2, 4 - triazol - 1 - ylmethyl) butyronitrile

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F(000) = 704 $D_x = 1.303 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo K α radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ Å}$ Cell parameters from 3787 reflections $\theta = 3.2-27.4^{\circ}$ $\mu = 0.23 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 173 KPlate, brown $0.18 \times 0.07 \times 0.03 \text{ mm}$ Data collection

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$T_{\min} = 0.959, T_{\max} = 0.993$	$k = -8 \rightarrow 8$
15784 measured reflections	$l = -26 \rightarrow 26$
Refinement	
Refinement on F^2	Hydrogen site location: inferred from
Least-squares matrix: full	neighbouring sites
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.044$	H-atom parameters constrained
$wR(F^2) = 0.108$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.043P)^2 + 0.4967P]$
S = 1.04	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
3936 reflections	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.001$
217 parameters	$\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.25$ e Å ⁻³
0 restraints	$\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.30$ e Å ⁻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.

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters $(Å^2)$

	x	У	Ζ	$U_{ m iso}$ */ $U_{ m eq}$
C11	0.02411 (4)	0.19334 (10)	1.12090 (3)	0.0689 (2)
N1	0.42210 (11)	1.1422 (2)	0.92410 (6)	0.0367 (3)
N2	0.63664 (9)	0.7989 (2)	0.86689 (5)	0.0277 (3)
N3	0.66105 (11)	0.9948 (2)	0.87314 (6)	0.0398 (3)
N4	0.71532 (12)	0.8721 (2)	0.77946 (7)	0.0445 (4)
C1	0.17939 (13)	0.3822 (3)	0.97206 (8)	0.0384 (4)
H1	0.2005	0.3286	0.9325	0.046*
C2	0.12369 (14)	0.2639 (3)	1.01229 (9)	0.0447 (4)
H2	0.1056	0.1311	1.0003	0.054*
C3	0.09501 (12)	0.3415 (3)	1.06994 (8)	0.0410 (4)
C4	0.12079 (14)	0.5320 (3)	1.08810 (8)	0.0485 (5)
H4	0.1014	0.5833	1.1284	0.058*
C5	0.17565 (13)	0.6493 (3)	1.04672 (8)	0.0398 (4)
Н5	0.1933	0.7822	1.0589	0.048*
C6	0.20501 (10)	0.5763 (2)	0.98807 (7)	0.0278 (3)
C7	0.26520 (11)	0.7035 (3)	0.94298 (7)	0.0316 (3)
H7A	0.2559	0.8451	0.9541	0.038*
H7B	0.2341	0.6831	0.8973	0.038*
C8	0.38533 (11)	0.6541 (2)	0.94830 (6)	0.0237 (3)
H8A	0.3937	0.5096	0.9418	0.028*
H8B	0.4171	0.6864	0.9931	0.028*
C9	0.44939 (10)	0.7655 (2)	0.89855 (6)	0.0218 (3)
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C10	0.41229 (10)	0.7205 (2)	0.82676 (6)	0.0229 (3)
C11	0.38360 (12)	0.5284 (2)	0.80795 (7)	0.0312 (3)
H11	0.3807	0.4280	0.8402	0.037*
C12	0.35906 (13)	0.4822 (3)	0.74246 (7)	0.0364 (4)
H12	0.3390	0.3506	0.7301	0.044*
C13	0.36370 (13)	0.6264 (3)	0.69533 (7)	0.0369 (4)
H13	0.3467	0.5943	0.6505	0.044*
C14	0.39293 (13)	0.8170 (3)	0.71325 (7)	0.0361 (4)
H14	0.3968	0.9162	0.6807	0.043*
C15	0.41687 (12)	0.8646 (2)	0.77900 (6)	0.0297 (3)
H15	0.4364	0.9967	0.7912	0.036*
C16	0.43710 (11)	0.9796 (2)	0.91178 (6)	0.0257 (3)
C17	0.56995 (11)	0.7062 (2)	0.91202 (6)	0.0255 (3)
H17A	0.5963	0.7450	0.9572	0.031*
H17B	0.5765	0.5603	0.9086	0.031*
C18	0.70813 (15)	1.0295 (3)	0.81948 (8)	0.0472 (5)
H18	0.7352	1.1567	0.8096	0.057*
C19	0.66923 (13)	0.7306 (3)	0.81087 (7)	0.0357 (4)
H19	0.6603	0.5979	0.7958	0.043*

Atomic displacement parameters $(Å^2)$

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
Cl1	0.0454 (3)	0.0820 (4)	0.0822 (4)	-0.0076 (3)	0.0220 (2)	0.0428 (3)
N1	0.0555 (8)	0.0248 (8)	0.0306 (7)	0.0036 (7)	0.0081 (6)	0.0001 (6)
N2	0.0283 (6)	0.0304 (7)	0.0253 (6)	-0.0013 (5)	0.0069 (5)	0.0004 (5)
N3	0.0489 (8)	0.0351 (8)	0.0384 (7)	-0.0131 (7)	0.0195 (6)	-0.0055 (6)
N4	0.0514 (8)	0.0463 (10)	0.0397 (7)	-0.0003 (7)	0.0240 (6)	0.0004 (7)
C1	0.0448 (9)	0.0389 (10)	0.0317 (8)	-0.0065 (8)	0.0057 (6)	-0.0035 (7)
C2	0.0441 (9)	0.0366 (10)	0.0529 (10)	-0.0123 (8)	0.0020 (8)	0.0032 (8)
C3	0.0275 (7)	0.0508 (12)	0.0455 (9)	-0.0038 (8)	0.0086 (6)	0.0185 (8)
C4	0.0521 (10)	0.0585 (13)	0.0388 (9)	-0.0014 (10)	0.0241 (8)	0.0008 (9)
C5	0.0474 (9)	0.0360 (10)	0.0382 (8)	-0.0064 (8)	0.0164 (7)	-0.0052 (7)
C6	0.0231 (6)	0.0334 (9)	0.0271 (7)	0.0002 (6)	0.0036 (5)	0.0036 (6)
C7	0.0317 (7)	0.0344 (9)	0.0297 (7)	0.0026 (7)	0.0084 (6)	0.0068 (7)
C8	0.0299 (7)	0.0226 (8)	0.0193 (6)	-0.0001 (6)	0.0054 (5)	0.0023 (6)
С9	0.0274 (6)	0.0185 (7)	0.0200 (6)	0.0006 (6)	0.0053 (5)	0.0021 (5)
C10	0.0243 (6)	0.0246 (8)	0.0202 (6)	0.0026 (6)	0.0046 (5)	0.0004 (6)
C11	0.0427 (8)	0.0269 (9)	0.0245 (7)	0.0000 (7)	0.0055 (6)	0.0024 (6)
C12	0.0482 (9)	0.0306 (9)	0.0302 (8)	0.0004 (8)	0.0024 (6)	-0.0069 (7)
C13	0.0427 (8)	0.0468 (11)	0.0208 (7)	0.0091 (8)	0.0014 (6)	-0.0042 (7)
C14	0.0465 (9)	0.0397 (10)	0.0223 (7)	0.0063 (8)	0.0045 (6)	0.0075 (7)
C15	0.0385 (8)	0.0267 (9)	0.0242 (7)	0.0014 (7)	0.0036 (6)	0.0038 (6)
C16	0.0334 (7)	0.0257 (9)	0.0186 (6)	-0.0012 (7)	0.0053 (5)	0.0032 (6)
C17	0.0288 (7)	0.0262 (8)	0.0220 (6)	0.0010 (6)	0.0048 (5)	0.0036 (6)
C18	0.0574 (11)	0.0420 (11)	0.0467 (9)	-0.0119 (9)	0.0284 (8)	-0.0007 (8)
C19	0.0392 (8)	0.0379 (10)	0.0322 (8)	0.0044 (7)	0.0142 (6)	-0.0043 (7)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

Cl1—C3	1.7461 (16)	С8—С9	1.5492 (18)
N1—C16	1.1445 (19)	C8—H8A	0.9900
N2—C19	1.3376 (18)	C8—H8B	0.9900
N2—N3	1.3585 (18)	C9—C16	1.479 (2)
N2—C17	1.4444 (17)	C9—C10	1.5332 (17)
N3—C18	1.3178 (19)	C9—C17	1.5537 (18)
N4—C19	1.314 (2)	C10—C15	1.386 (2)
N4—C18	1.351 (2)	C10—C11	1.388 (2)
C1—C6	1.379 (2)	C11—C12	1.386 (2)
C1—C2	1.382 (2)	C11—H11	0.9500
C1—H1	0.9500	C12—C13	1.377 (2)
C2—C3	1.372 (2)	C12—H12	0.9500
С2—Н2	0.9500	C13—C14	1.376 (2)
C3—C4	1.367 (3)	C13—H13	0.9500
C4—C5	1.388 (2)	C14—C15	1.392 (2)
C4—H4	0.9500	C14—H14	0.9500
C5—C6	1.382 (2)	C15—H15	0.9500
С5—Н5	0.9500	C17—H17A	0.9900
C6—C7	1.5124 (19)	C17—H17B	0.9900
С7—С8	1.5273 (19)	C18—H18	0.9500
С7—Н7А	0.9900	C19—H19	0.9500
С7—Н7В	0.9900		
C19—N2—N3	109.39 (12)	C16—C9—C8	106.43 (11)
C19—N2—C17	130.06 (14)	С10—С9—С8	114.28 (11)
N3—N2—C17	119.81 (12)	C16—C9—C17	109.49 (12)
C18—N3—N2	101.96 (13)	C10—C9—C17	108.56 (10)
C19—N4—C18	102.36 (13)	C8—C9—C17	107.94 (10)
C6—C1—C2	121.52 (15)	C15—C10—C11	118.93 (13)
C6—C1—H1	119.2	C15—C10—C9	120.87 (13)
C2—C1—H1	119.2	C11—C10—C9	119.90 (12)
C3—C2—C1	118.87 (17)	C12—C11—C10	120.47 (14)
С3—С2—Н2	120.6	C12—C11—H11	119.8
C1—C2—H2	120.6	C10—C11—H11	119.8
C4—C3—C2	121.31 (15)	C13—C12—C11	120.22 (16)
C4—C3—Cl1	119.53 (14)	C13—C12—H12	119.9
C2—C3—Cl1	119.16 (15)	C11—C12—H12	119.9
C3—C4—C5	119.02 (16)	C14—C13—C12	119.92 (14)
C3—C4—H4	120.5	C14—C13—H13	120.0
C5—C4—H4	120.5	C12—C13—H13	120.0
C6—C5—C4	121.15 (17)	C13—C14—C15	120.11 (14)
С6—С5—Н5	119.4	C13—C14—H14	119.9
C4—C5—H5	119.4	C15—C14—H14	119.9
C1—C6—C5	118.10 (14)	C10—C15—C14	120.35 (15)
C1—C6—C7	120.59 (13)	C10—C15—H15	119.8
C5—C6—C7	121.30 (15)	C14—C15—H15	119.8

C6—C7—C8	111.85 (12)	N1—C16—C9	175.67 (15)
С6—С7—Н7А	109.2	N2—C17—C9	112.33 (11)
С8—С7—Н7А	109.2	N2—C17—H17A	109.1
С6—С7—Н7В	109.2	C9—C17—H17A	109.1
С8—С7—Н7В	109.2	N2—C17—H17B	109.1
H7A—C7—H7B	107.9	C9—C17—H17B	109.1
С7—С8—С9	114.21 (11)	H17A—C17—H17B	107.9
С7—С8—Н8А	108.7	N3—C18—N4	115.46 (16)
С9—С8—Н8А	108.7	N3—C18—H18	122.3
C7—C8—H8B	108.7	N4	122.3
C9—C8—H8B	108.7	N4—C19—N2	110.83 (15)
H8A—C8—H8B	107.6	N4—C19—H19	124.6
C16—C9—C10	110.05 (11)	N2-C19-H19	124.6
C19—N2—N3—C18	-0.44 (17)	C16-C9-C10-C11	-159.29 (13)
C17—N2—N3—C18	-171.49 (14)	C8—C9—C10—C11	-39.62 (17)
C6—C1—C2—C3	-1.1 (3)	C17—C9—C10—C11	80.90 (15)
C1—C2—C3—C4	-0.2 (3)	C15—C10—C11—C12	-0.5 (2)
C1—C2—C3—Cl1	179.73 (13)	C9—C10—C11—C12	-174.29 (13)
C2—C3—C4—C5	1.0 (3)	C10-C11-C12-C13	0.5 (2)
Cl1—C3—C4—C5	-178.99 (14)	C11—C12—C13—C14	0.1 (2)
C3—C4—C5—C6	-0.4 (3)	C12—C13—C14—C15	-0.6 (2)
C2-C1-C6-C5	1.5 (2)	C11—C10—C15—C14	0.0 (2)
C2—C1—C6—C7	-179.47 (15)	C9-C10-C15-C14	173.75 (13)
C4—C5—C6—C1	-0.8 (2)	C13—C14—C15—C10	0.5 (2)
C4—C5—C6—C7	-179.76 (15)	C19—N2—C17—C9	-94.71 (18)
C1—C6—C7—C8	-77.25 (17)	N3—N2—C17—C9	74.23 (16)
C5—C6—C7—C8	101.70 (17)	C16—C9—C17—N2	-65.98 (14)
C6—C7—C8—C9	174.47 (12)	C10—C9—C17—N2	54.17 (16)
C7—C8—C9—C16	60.28 (15)	C8—C9—C17—N2	178.56 (11)
C7—C8—C9—C10	-61.39 (16)	N2—N3—C18—N4	0.2 (2)
C7—C8—C9—C17	177.73 (12)	C19—N4—C18—N3	0.0 (2)
C16—C9—C10—C15	27.07 (17)	C18—N4—C19—N2	-0.34 (19)
C8—C9—C10—C15	146.73 (13)	N3—N2—C19—N4	0.52 (18)
C17—C9—C10—C15	-92.74 (15)	C17—N2—C19—N4	170.36 (14)

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

D—H···A	D—H	H···A	D····A	D—H···A
C8—H8A····N1 ⁱ	0.99	2.53	3.522 (2)	178
C11— $H11$ ···N1 ⁱ	0.95	2.60	3.533 (2)	166
C17—H17A····N1 ⁱⁱ	0.99	2.58	3.5101 (18)	156
C18—H18····N4 ⁱⁱⁱ	0.95	2.46	3.277 (2)	144

Symmetry codes: (i) x, y-1, z; (ii) -x+1, -y+2, -z+2; (iii) -x+3/2, y+1/2, -z+3/2.