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# Crystal structure and DFT study of 2-(pyren-1-yl)-1H-benzimidazole 

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In the title compound, $\mathrm{C}_{23} \mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{~N}_{2},(\mathbf{I})$, the dihedral angle between the mean planes of the pyrene and benzimidazole ring systems is $42.08(5)^{\circ}$, with a bridging $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C}$ bond length of 1.463 (3) $\AA$. In the crystal, molecules are linked by $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{N}$ hydrogen bonds, forming columns propagating along the $b$-axis direction. The columns are linked via $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \pi$ interactions, forming slabs parallel to the $a b$ plane. There are no significant $\pi-\pi$ interactions present in the crystal structure. The density functional theory (DFT) optimized structure, at the B3LYP/ 6-311G(d,p) level, is compared with the experimentally determined solid-state structure of the title compound.

## 1. Chemical context

Benzimidazoles, which are analogues of imidazole contained in histidine, are an important class of biologically active compounds (Collman et al., 1973). In addition, they are excellent organic ligands of many metal ions (Sundberg \& Martin, 1974). The pyrene unit is one of the most commonly used fluorophores due to its strong luminescence and chemical stability (Aoki et al., 1991; Nishizawa et al., 1999; van der Veen et al., 2000). Another interesting feature of the pyrene unit is the interaction between the pyrene aromatic rings in the crystal packing, which can permit the formation of highly ordered molecular aggregates in the solid state by architecturally controlled self-assembly (Desiraju \& Gavezzotti, 1989; Munakata et al., 1994). Pyrene is a commonly used fluorophore due to its unusual fluorescence properties, viz. intense fluorescence signals and vibronic band dependence with the media (Karpovich \& Blanchard, 1995), and has been used in fluorescence sensors (Bell \& Hext, 2004) and excimer formation (Lodeiro et al., 2006). As a result of these particular properties and because of its chemical stability, it is also employed as a probe for solid-state studies and polymer association (Seixas de Melo et al., 2003).

(I)

The title compound was prepared from an equimolar mixuture of 1:1 o-phenylenediamine and pyrene-1-carbaldehyde. Synthesis and characterization of many benzimidazole-

Table 1
Hydrogen-bond geometry $\left(\AA{ }^{\circ}{ }^{\circ}\right)$.
$C g 1, C g 6$ and $C g 7$ are the centroids of rings $\mathrm{N} 1 / \mathrm{N} 2 / \mathrm{C} 17 / \mathrm{C} 18 / \mathrm{C} 23, \mathrm{C} 18-\mathrm{C} 23$ and N1/N2/C17-C23.

| $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H}$ | $\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{H} 1 A \cdots \mathrm{~N} 1^{\mathrm{i}}$ | 0.94 (2) | 1.92 (2) | 2.838 (2) | 164 (2) |
| $\mathrm{C} 14-\mathrm{H} 14 \cdots \mathrm{Cg} 6^{\text {ii }}$ | 0.93 | 2.83 | 3.537 (2) | 134 |
| $\mathrm{C} 21-\mathrm{H} 21 \cdots \mathrm{Cg} 1^{\text {iii }}$ | 0.93 | 2.95 | 3.605 (2) | 129 |
| $\mathrm{C} 21-\mathrm{H} 21 \cdots \mathrm{Cg} 7^{\text {iii }}$ | 0.93 | 2.84 | 3.618 (2) | 142 |

Symmetry codes: (i) $-x+\frac{1}{2}, y+\frac{1}{2}, z$; (ii) $x+1, y, z$; (iii) $x-\frac{1}{2}, y,-z+\frac{1}{2}$.
ring-containing compounds have been reported (Yan et al., 2009; Hallett et al., 2012; Xia et al., 2014; Dhanalakshmi et al., 2014; Guo et al., 2015; Song et al., 2010), but very few compounds have been structurally characterized. Previously, Zhao et al. (2016) reported on the synthesis of 2-(pyren-1yl)benzimidazole, used as a fluorescent probe for the detection of iron(III) ions in aqueous solution, but gave no structural details of the compound. The present work is part of an ongoing structural study of pyrene-ring-system derivatives (Faizi \& Prisyazhnaya, 2015). The results of the calculations by density functional theory (DFT) on (I), carried out at the B3LYP/6-311G(d,p) level, are compared with the experimentally determined molecular structure in the solid state.

## 2. Structural commentary

The molecular structure of the title compound, (I), is illustrated in Fig. 1. The compound is nonplanar, the rotation around the bond connecting the two aromatic moieties, which is predominantly $\sigma$ in character $[\mathrm{C} 16-\mathrm{C} 17=1.463$ (3) $\AA$ ], being described by the torsion angle $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 17-\mathrm{C} 16-\mathrm{C} 1$ of $-39.49(10)^{\circ}$. The mean planes of the pyrene (atoms C1-C16; r.m.s. deviation $=0.038 \AA$ ) and benzimidazole ( $\mathrm{N} 1 / \mathrm{N} 2 / \mathrm{C} 17-$ C23) ring systems are inclined to one another by $42.08(5)^{\circ}$, reflecting the significant deviation from overall molecular planarity.

## 3. Supramolecular features

In the crystal of (I), molecules are assembled via $\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{N} 1^{\mathrm{i}}$ hydrogen bonds (Table 1) into columns propagating along the


Figure 1
The molecular structure of compound (I), with the atom labelling. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the $40 \%$ probability level.


Figure 2
A view of the $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{N}$ hydrogen-bonded column (dashed lines; Table 1) in the crystal of compound (I), propagating along the $b$-axis direction.
$b$-axis direction (Fig. 2). The columns are linked by $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \pi$ interactions (Table 1), forming slabs parallel to the $a b$ plane (Fig. 3).

## 4. Database survey

A search of the Cambridge Structural Database (CSD, Version 5.38, last update May 2017; Groom et al., 2016) gave a number of hits for similar compounds, viz. phenyl-2-benzimidazole derivatives (II) (CSD refcode FOBZUS; Li et al., 2005) and (III) (LIYTIW; Bei et al., 2000), and phenanthroimidazole derivatives (IV) (ERODOE; Bu et al., 2003) and (V) (SUZHIE; Krebs et al., 2001). All four organic compounds are nonplanar and have a similar $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C}$ bond length between the aromatic ring systems. In (I), this bond (C16-C17) is 1.463 (3) $\AA$, and the two ring systems are inclined to one


A view along the $b$ axis of the crystal packing of compound (I). The $\mathrm{C}-$ $\mathrm{H} \cdots \pi$ interactions are illustrated by dashed lines (Table 1 ).

Table 2
Comparison of selected geometric data for (I) ( $\AA^{\circ},{ }^{\circ}$ ) from X-ray and calculated (DFT) data.

| Bonds/angles | X-ray | B3LYP/6-311G(d,p) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| C17-N2 | $1.364(2)$ | 1.365 |
| C18-N2 | $1.376(2)$ | 1.375 |
| C17-N1 | $1.330(2)$ | 1.329 |
| C23-N1 | $1.389(2)$ | 1.389 |
| C17-C16 | $1.463(3)$ | 1.462 |
| C16-C17-N2 | $121.57(17)$ | 121.51 |
| C16-C17-N1 | $125.73(17)$ | 125.82 |
| N1-C17-N2 | $112.48(17)$ | 112.44 |

another by $42.08(5)^{\circ}$. These values are close to those reported for compounds (II) (1.474 $\AA$ and $\left.40.17^{\circ}\right)$, (III) $(1.467 \AA$ and $31.12^{\circ}$ ) and (V) (1.436 and $30.12^{\circ}$ ), but the anthracenephenanthroimidazole compound (IV) has a larger deviation from planarity, with the two aromatic ring systems being


Figure 4
Electron distribution of the HOMO-1, HOMO, LUMO and LUMO+1 energy levels for compound (I).
almost perpendicular to one another ( $1.488 \AA$ and $76.54^{\circ}$ ) due to significant steric hindrance of the anthracene moiety. Two other compounds are worth mentioning, viz. 9-(1H-benzimi-dazol-2-yl)-2,3,6,7-tetrahydro-1H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinoline (VI) (TAQHUR; Gonzalez \& Unnamatla, 2017) and 2-(pyren-1-yl)-1H-phenanthro[9,10- $d$ ]imidazole unknown solvate (VII) (KUFLOO; Subeesh et al., 2015). In (VI), the mean plane of the pyridoquinoline moiety is inclined to the benzimidole ring system by $37.94(10)^{\circ}$ and the bridging $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C}$ bond is 1.467 (3) $\AA$, similar to the situation in (I). In (VII), the mean plane of the pyrene ring system is inclined to the phenanthroimidazole mean plane by 63.37 (6) ${ }^{\circ}$ and the bridging $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C}$ bond is 1.463 (5) $\AA$. As in (IV), this large dihedral angle is due to steric hinderance.

## 5. DFT study

The DFT quantum-chemical calculations were performed at the B3LYP/6-311G(d,p) level (Becke, 1993), as implemented in GAUSSIAN09 (Frisch et al., 2009). DFT structure optimization of ( $\mathbf{I}$ ) was performed starting from the X-ray geometry and the values compared with experimental values (see Table 2). From these results we can conclude that basis set $6-311 \mathrm{G}(\mathrm{d}, \mathrm{p})$ is well suited in its approach to the experimental data.

The DFT study of (I) shows that the HOMO and LUMO are localized in the plane extending from the whole pyrene ring to the benzimidazole ring. The electron distribution of the HOMO-1, HOMO, LUMO and the LUMO+1 energy levels are shown in Fig. 4. The molecular orbital of HOMO contains both $\sigma$ and $\pi$ character, whereas HOMO-1 is dominated by orbital density. The LUMO is mainly composed of density, while LUMO +1 has both $\sigma$ and $\pi$ character and electronic density. The HOMO-LUMO gap was found to be 0.273 a.u. and the frontier molecular orbital energies, $E_{\text {Номо }}$ and $E_{\text {LUMO }}$, were -0.20083 and -0.07230 a.u., respectively.

## 6. Synthesis and crystallization

Pyrene-1-carbaldehyde ( $0.2306 \mathrm{~g}, 1.0 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) was added to a 50 ml round-bottomed flask containing 10 ml of $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$. Then a $10 \mathrm{ml} \mathrm{CH} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ solution containing $0.1080 \mathrm{~g}(1.0 \mathrm{mmol})$ $o$-phenylenediamine was added dropwise over a period of 30 min with stirring. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 48 h . The solvent was then evaporated and the residue purified by aluminium oxide gel-column chromatography using $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ as the eluent to obtain a pale-yellow powder of (I) (yield $0.2311 \mathrm{~g}, 72.6 \%$ ). Colourless prismatic crystals were obtained by slow evaporation of a solution of (I) from methanol.

## 7. Refinement

Crystal data, data collection and structure refinement details are summarized in Table 3. The N -bound H atoms were located in a difference Fourier map and refined with $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=$ $1.2 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{N})$. The C-bound H atoms were included in calculated

Table 3
Experimental details.

| Crystal data |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Chemical formula | $\mathrm{C}_{23} \mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{~N}_{2}$ |
| $M_{\mathrm{r}}$ | 318.36 |
| Crystal system, space group | Orthorhombic, Pbca |
| Temperature $(\mathrm{K})$ | 273 |
| $a, b, c(\AA)$ | $8.7344(8), 9.5967(9), 36.410(3)$ |
| $V\left(\AA^{3}\right)$ | $3052.0(5)$ |
| $Z$ | 8 |
| Radiation type | Mo $\mathrm{K} \alpha$ |
| $\mu\left(\mathrm{mm}^{-1}\right)$ | 0.08 |
| Crystal size $(\mathrm{mm})$ | $0.65 \times 0.43 \times 0.32$ |
|  |  |
| Data collection | Bruker APEXII CCD area |
| Diffractometer | detector |
|  | $36046,2986,1951$ |
| No. of measured, independent and |  |
| $\quad$ observed $[I>2 \sigma(I)]$ reflections | 0.103 |
| $R$ int | 0.617 |
| $(\text { sin } \theta / \lambda)_{\text {max }}\left(\AA \AA^{-1}\right)$ |  |
|  |  |
| Refinement | $0.049,0.113,1.03$ |
| $R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right], w R\left(F^{2}\right), S$ | 2986 |
| No. of reflections | 230 |
| No. of parameters | H atoms treated by a mixture of |
| H-atom treatment | independent and constrained |
|  | refinement |
| $\Delta \rho_{\text {max }}, \Delta \rho_{\text {min }}\left(\mathrm{e} \AA \AA^{-3}\right)$ | $0.19,-0.26$ |

Computer programs: APEX2 (Bruker, 2005), SAINT (Bruker, 2005), SHELXT2014 (Sheldrick, 2015a), SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 2008), SHELXL2016 (Sheldrick, 2015b) and PLATON (Spek, 2009).
positions and refined as riding, with $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}=0.93-0.96 \AA$ and $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=1.2 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{C})$.

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## supporting information

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## Computing details

Data collection: APEX2 (Bruker, 2005); data reduction: SAINT (Bruker, 2005); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXT2014 (Sheldrick, 2015a); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL2016 (Sheldrick, 2015b); molecular graphics: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 2008); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL2016 (Sheldrick, 2015b) and PLATON (Spek, 2009).

## 2-(Pyren-1-yl)-1H-benzimidazole

## Crystal data

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$V=3052.0(5) \AA^{3}$
$Z=8$
$F(000)=1328$

## Data collection

Bruker APEXII CCD area detector diffractometer
Radiation source: sealed tube
Graphite monochromator
phi and $\omega$ scans
36046 measured reflections
2986 independent reflections
$D_{\mathrm{x}}=1.386 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$
Mo $K \alpha$ radiation, $\lambda=0.71073 \AA$
Cell parameters from 1528 reflections
$\theta=2.4-16.1^{\circ}$
$\mu=0.08 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$
$T=273 \mathrm{~K}$
Prism, colorless
$0.65 \times 0.43 \times 0.32 \mathrm{~mm}$

1951 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$
$R_{\text {int }}=0.103$
$\theta_{\text {max }}=26.0^{\circ}, \theta_{\text {min }}=2.6^{\circ}$
$h=-10 \rightarrow 10$
$k=-11 \rightarrow 11$
$l=-44 \rightarrow 44$

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$
Least-squares matrix: full
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.049$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.113$
$S=1.03$
2986 reflections
230 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 atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement
$w=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{\mathrm{o}}{ }^{2}\right)+(0.0467 P)^{2}+1.2809 P\right]$ where $P=\left(F_{0}^{2}+2 F_{\mathrm{c}}{ }^{2}\right) / 3$
$(\Delta / \sigma)_{\max }<0.001$
$\Delta \rho_{\text {max }}=0.19$ e $\AA^{-3}$
$\Delta \rho_{\text {min }}=-0.26$ e $\AA^{-3}$

## Special details

Geometry. All esds (except the esd in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell esds are taken into account individually in the estimation of esds in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between esds in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell esds is used for estimating esds involving l.s. planes.

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\AA^{2}$ )

|  | $x$ | $y$ | $z$ | $U_{\text {iso }} * / U_{\text {eq }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| N1 | 0.15929 (18) | 0.66443 (16) | 0.32741 (4) | 0.0190 (4) |
| N2 | 0.21591 (19) | 0.89171 (17) | 0.32393 (5) | 0.0195 (4) |
| C23 | 0.0470 (2) | 0.73209 (19) | 0.30713 (5) | 0.0176 (5) |
| C17 | 0.2581 (2) | 0.7637 (2) | 0.33673 (5) | 0.0190 (5) |
| C16 | 0.4042 (2) | 0.74213 (19) | 0.35556 (5) | 0.0195 (5) |
| C18 | 0.0808 (2) | 0.8748 (2) | 0.30499 (5) | 0.0179 (4) |
| C1 | 0.4229 (2) | 0.6448 (2) | 0.38432 (5) | 0.0193 (5) |
| C12 | 0.5724 (2) | 0.6212 (2) | 0.39850 (5) | 0.0199 (5) |
| C11 | 0.6999 (2) | 0.6952 (2) | 0.38411 (5) | 0.0210 (5) |
| C19 | -0.0099 (2) | 0.9680 (2) | 0.28557 (5) | 0.0214 (5) |
| H19 | 0.012157 | 1.062811 | 0.284937 | 0.026* |
| C20 | -0.1341 (2) | 0.9132 (2) | 0.26728 (5) | 0.0235 (5) |
| H20 | -0.195476 | 0.971887 | 0.253275 | 0.028* |
| C13 | 0.5956 (2) | 0.5241 (2) | 0.42759 (5) | 0.0220 (5) |
| C2 | 0.2978 (2) | 0.5706 (2) | 0.40072 (6) | 0.0235 (5) |
| H2 | 0.198943 | 0.585875 | 0.392152 | 0.028* |
| C8 | 0.7452 (2) | 0.4990 (2) | 0.44151 (5) | 0.0252 (5) |
| C14 | 0.6749 (2) | 0.7950 (2) | 0.35696 (6) | 0.0239 (5) |
| H14 | 0.756769 | 0.847263 | 0.348192 | 0.029* |
| C4 | 0.4691 (2) | 0.4519 (2) | 0.44303 (6) | 0.0253 (5) |
| C15 | 0.5309 (2) | 0.8170 (2) | 0.34299 (6) | 0.0231 (5) |
| H15 | 0.517365 | 0.883532 | 0.324701 | 0.028* |
| C22 | -0.0814 (2) | 0.6796 (2) | 0.28931 (5) | 0.0224 (5) |
| H22 | -0.106657 | 0.585627 | 0.290863 | 0.027* |
| C21 | -0.1703 (2) | 0.7709 (2) | 0.26926 (5) | 0.0247 (5) |
| H21 | -0.255742 | 0.737591 | 0.256826 | 0.030* |
| C10 | 0.8497 (2) | 0.6653 (2) | 0.39798 (6) | 0.0273 (5) |
| H10 | 0.933899 | 0.711258 | 0.388120 | 0.033* |
| C9 | 0.8707 (2) | 0.5716 (2) | 0.42512 (6) | 0.0292 (5) |
| H9 | 0.969483 | 0.553670 | 0.433385 | 0.035* |
| C3 | 0.3207 (2) | 0.4788 (2) | 0.42841 (6) | 0.0271 (5) |
| H3 | 0.236939 | 0.431824 | 0.438185 | 0.033* |
| C7 | 0.7635 (3) | 0.4060 (2) | 0.47055 (6) | 0.0311 (6) |
| H7 | 0.860961 | 0.389193 | 0.479795 | 0.037* |
| C5 | 0.4941 (3) | 0.3609 (2) | 0.47218 (6) | 0.0318 (6) |
| H5 | 0.411550 | 0.314383 | 0.482643 | 0.038* |
| C6 | 0.6397 (3) | 0.3386 (2) | 0.48582 (6) | 0.0357 (6) |
| H6 | 0.654109 | 0.277746 | 0.505401 | 0.043* |
| H1A | 0.271 (2) | 0.975 (2) | 0.3280 (6) | 0.033 (6)* |

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

|  | $U^{11}$ | $U^{22}$ | $U^{33}$ | $U^{12}$ | $U^{13}$ | $U^{23}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| N1 | $0.0191(9)$ | $0.0153(9)$ | $0.0225(9)$ | $0.0003(7)$ | $-0.0016(8)$ | $0.0003(8)$ |
| N 2 | $0.0203(10)$ | $0.0129(9)$ | $0.0253(9)$ | $-0.0010(8)$ | $-0.0014(8)$ | $0.0010(7)$ |
| C23 | $0.0207(11)$ | $0.0152(10)$ | $0.0170(10)$ | $0.0012(8)$ | $0.0014(9)$ | $0.0013(8)$ |
| C17 | $0.0198(11)$ | $0.0168(11)$ | $0.0205(10)$ | $0.0007(9)$ | $0.0039(10)$ | $0.0006(8)$ |
| C16 | $0.0200(11)$ | $0.0158(10)$ | $0.0227(11)$ | $0.0009(9)$ | $0.0000(10)$ | $-0.0016(8)$ |
| C18 | $0.0177(11)$ | $0.0180(10)$ | $0.0181(10)$ | $0.0013(8)$ | $0.0016(9)$ | $-0.0006(8)$ |
| C1 | $0.0201(11)$ | $0.0167(11)$ | $0.0210(11)$ | $0.0009(9)$ | $0.0014(9)$ | $-0.0029(9)$ |
| C12 | $0.0208(11)$ | $0.0187(11)$ | $0.0202(10)$ | $0.0009(9)$ | $0.0008(9)$ | $-0.0029(9)$ |
| C11 | $0.0201(11)$ | $0.0205(11)$ | $0.0224(11)$ | $0.0009(9)$ | $0.0002(9)$ | $-0.0035(9)$ |
| C19 | $0.0258(12)$ | $0.0151(10)$ | $0.0234(11)$ | $0.0019(9)$ | $0.0021(10)$ | $0.0015(9)$ |
| C20 | $0.0254(12)$ | $0.0232(12)$ | $0.0221(11)$ | $0.0076(9)$ | $-0.0011(10)$ | $0.0011(9)$ |
| C13 | $0.0228(12)$ | $0.0220(11)$ | $0.0213(11)$ | $0.0038(9)$ | $-0.0002(10)$ | $-0.0012(9)$ |
| C2 | $0.0200(12)$ | $0.0235(11)$ | $0.0270(12)$ | $0.0024(9)$ | $-0.0002(10)$ | $0.0027(10)$ |
| C8 | $0.0246(12)$ | $0.0265(12)$ | $0.0246(11)$ | $0.0052(9)$ | $-0.0009(10)$ | $0.0005(9)$ |
| C14 | $0.0212(12)$ | $0.0218(11)$ | $0.0288(12)$ | $-0.0035(9)$ | $0.0036(10)$ | $0.0010(9)$ |
| C4 | $0.0260(12)$ | $0.0237(12)$ | $0.0263(12)$ | $0.0027(10)$ | $0.0006(10)$ | $0.0027(9)$ |
| C15 | $0.0260(12)$ | $0.0174(11)$ | $0.0259(11)$ | $0.0005(9)$ | $-0.0005(10)$ | $0.0036(9)$ |
| C22 | $0.0253(12)$ | $0.0154(11)$ | $0.0267(11)$ | $-0.0014(9)$ | $-0.0005(10)$ | $-0.0022(9)$ |
| C21 | $0.0240(12)$ | $0.0246(12)$ | $0.0256(12)$ | $0.0009(9)$ | $-0.0043(10)$ | $-0.0032(9)$ |
| C10 | $0.0208(12)$ | $0.0316(13)$ | $0.0296(12)$ | $-0.0013(10)$ | $0.0027(10)$ | $0.0018(10)$ |
| C9 | $0.0183(12)$ | $0.0361(14)$ | $0.0333(13)$ | $0.0056(10)$ | $-0.0041(10)$ | $-0.0008(11)$ |
| C3 | $0.0209(12)$ | $0.0287(12)$ | $0.0317(12)$ | $-0.0023(10)$ | $0.0046(10)$ | $0.0075(10)$ |
| C7 | $0.0259(13)$ | $0.0351(13)$ | $0.0325(12)$ | $0.0066(10)$ | $-0.0054(11)$ | $0.0050(10)$ |
| C5 | $0.0289(13)$ | $0.0341(14)$ | $0.0326(13)$ | $0.0015(11)$ | $0.0033(11)$ | $0.0102(10)$ |
| C6 | $0.0367(14)$ | $0.0382(14)$ | $0.0322(13)$ | $0.0097(11)$ | $-0.0022(12)$ | $0.0143(11)$ |
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Geometric parameters ( $\AA,{ }^{\circ}$ )

| $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 17$ | $1.330(2)$ | $\mathrm{C} 13-\mathrm{C} 8$ | $1.423(3)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 23$ | $1.389(2)$ | $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{C} 3$ | $1.354(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 17$ | $1.364(2)$ | $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{H} 2$ | 0.9300 |
| $\mathrm{~N} 2-\mathrm{C} 18$ | $1.376(2)$ | $\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{C} 7$ | $1.392(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{H} 1 \mathrm{~A}$ | $0.94(2)$ | $\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{C} 9$ | $1.429(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 23-\mathrm{C} 22$ | $1.390(3)$ | $\mathrm{C} 14-\mathrm{C} 15$ | $1.373(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 23-\mathrm{C} 18$ | $1.403(3)$ | $\mathrm{C} 14-\mathrm{H} 14$ | 0.9300 |
| $\mathrm{C} 17-\mathrm{C} 16$ | $1.463(3)$ | $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{C} 5$ | $1.391(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 16-\mathrm{C} 15$ | $1.397(3)$ | $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{C} 3$ | $1.425(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 16-\mathrm{C} 1$ | $1.412(3)$ | $\mathrm{C} 15-\mathrm{H} 15$ | 0.9300 |
| $\mathrm{C} 18-\mathrm{C} 19$ | $1.389(3)$ | $\mathrm{C} 22-\mathrm{C} 21$ | $1.380(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 12$ | $1.422(3)$ | $\mathrm{C} 22-\mathrm{H} 22$ | 0.9300 |
| $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 2$ | $1.434(3)$ | $\mathrm{C} 21-\mathrm{H} 21$ | 0.9300 |
| $\mathrm{C} 12-\mathrm{C} 11$ | $1.421(3)$ | $\mathrm{C} 10-\mathrm{C} 9$ | $1.349(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 12-\mathrm{C} 13$ | $1.426(3)$ | $\mathrm{C} 10-\mathrm{H} 10$ | 0.9300 |
| $\mathrm{C} 11-\mathrm{C} 14$ | $1.393(3)$ | $\mathrm{C} 9-\mathrm{H} 9$ | 0.9300 |
| $\mathrm{C} 11-\mathrm{C} 10$ | $1.431(3)$ | $\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{H} 3$ | 0.9300 |


| C19-C20 | 1.377 (3) |
| :---: | :---: |
| C19-H19 | 0.9300 |
| C20-C21 | 1.403 (3) |
| C20-H20 | 0.9300 |
| C13-C4 | 1.420 (3) |
| C17-N1-C23 | 105.01 (16) |
| C17-N2-C18 | 107.25 (16) |
| C17-N2-H1A | 124.7 (13) |
| C18-N2-H1A | 128.1 (13) |
| N1-C23-C22 | 130.42 (18) |
| N1-C23-C18 | 109.72 (17) |
| C22-C23-C18 | 119.84 (18) |
| N1-C17-N2 | 112.48 (17) |
| N1-C17-C16 | 125.73 (17) |
| N2-C17-C16 | 121.57 (17) |
| C15-C16-C1 | 119.46 (18) |
| C15-C16-C17 | 117.66 (17) |
| C1-C16-C17 | 122.80 (18) |
| N2-C18-C19 | 131.90 (18) |
| N2-C18-C23 | 105.54 (16) |
| C19-C18-C23 | 122.51 (18) |
| C16-C1-C12 | 118.71 (18) |
| C16-C1-C2 | 123.31 (19) |
| C12-C1-C2 | 117.96 (18) |
| C11-C12-C1 | 120.40 (18) |
| C11-C12-C13 | 119.29 (18) |
| C1-C12-C13 | 120.30 (18) |
| C14-C11-C12 | 118.83 (18) |
| C14-C11-C10 | 122.10 (19) |
| C12-C11-C10 | 119.07 (18) |
| C20-C19-C18 | 116.68 (19) |
| C20-C19-H19 | 121.7 |
| C18-C19-H19 | 121.7 |
| C19-C20-C21 | 121.62 (19) |
| C19-C20-H20 | 119.2 |
| C21-C20-H20 | 119.2 |
| C4-C13-C8 | 119.43 (18) |
| C4-C13-C12 | 120.17 (18) |
| C8-C13-C12 | 120.40 (19) |
| C3-C2-C1 | 121.41 (19) |
| $\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{H} 2$ | 119.3 |
| $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{H} 2$ | 119.3 |


| C7-C6 | 1.378 (3) |
| :---: | :---: |
| C7-H7 | 0.9300 |
| C5-C6 | 1.381 (3) |
| C5-H5 | 0.9300 |
| C6-H6 | 0.9300 |
| C7-C8-C13 | 118.9 (2) |
| C7-C8-C9 | 122.8 (2) |
| C13-C8-C9 | 118.26 (18) |
| C15-C14-C11 | 120.81 (19) |
| C15-C14-H14 | 119.6 |
| C11-C14-H14 | 119.6 |
| C5-C4-C13 | 119.1 (2) |
| C5-C4-C3 | 122.8 (2) |
| C13-C4-C3 | 118.12 (18) |
| C14-C15-C16 | 121.67 (19) |
| C14-C15-H15 | 119.2 |
| C16-C15-H15 | 119.2 |
| C21-C22-C23 | 118.06 (19) |
| $\mathrm{C} 21-\mathrm{C} 22-\mathrm{H} 22$ | 121.0 |
| $\mathrm{C} 23-\mathrm{C} 22-\mathrm{H} 22$ | 121.0 |
| $\mathrm{C} 22-\mathrm{C} 21-\mathrm{C} 20$ | 121.24 (19) |
| $\mathrm{C} 22-\mathrm{C} 21-\mathrm{H} 21$ | 119.4 |
| $\mathrm{C} 20-\mathrm{C} 21-\mathrm{H} 21$ | 119.4 |
| C9-C10-C11 | 121.1 (2) |
| C9-C10-H10 | 119.4 |
| C11-C10-H10 | 119.4 |
| C10-C9-C8 | 121.8 (2) |
| C10-C9-H9 | 119.1 |
| C8-C9-H9 | 119.1 |
| C2-C3-C4 | 122.0 (2) |
| C2-C3-H3 | 119.0 |
| $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{H} 3$ | 119.0 |
| C6-C7-C8 | 121.2 (2) |
| C6-C7-H7 | 119.4 |
| C8-C7-H7 | 119.4 |
| C6-C5-C4 | 121.1 (2) |
| C6-C5-H5 | 119.5 |
| C4-C5-H5 | 119.5 |
| C7-C6-C5 | 120.3 (2) |
| C7-C6-H6 | 119.9 |
| C5-C6-H6 | 119.9 |

## supporting information

Hydrogen-bond geometry (A, ${ }^{\circ}$ )
Cg1, Cg6 and Cg7 are the centroids of rings $\mathrm{N} 1 / \mathrm{N} 2 / \mathrm{C} 17 / \mathrm{C} 18 / \mathrm{C} 23, \mathrm{C} 18-\mathrm{C} 23$ and $\mathrm{N} 1 / \mathrm{N} 2 / \mathrm{C} 17-\mathrm{C} 23$.

| $D — \mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H}$ | $\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{~N} 2 — \mathrm{H} 1 A \cdots \mathrm{~N} 1^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $0.94(2)$ | $1.92(2)$ | $2.838(2)$ | $164(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 14 — \mathrm{H} 14 \cdots C g 6^{\mathrm{ii}}$ | 0.93 | 2.83 | $3.537(2)$ | 134 |
| $\mathrm{C} 21 — \mathrm{H} 21 \cdots C g 1^{\mathrm{iii}}$ | 0.93 | 2.95 | $3.605(2)$ | 129 |
| $\mathrm{C} 21 — \mathrm{H} 21 \cdots C g 7^{\mathrm{iii}}$ | 0.93 | 2.84 | $3.618(2)$ | 142 |

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

