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## 2-(4-Chlorophenyl)-N-(3,4-difluorophenyl)acetamide

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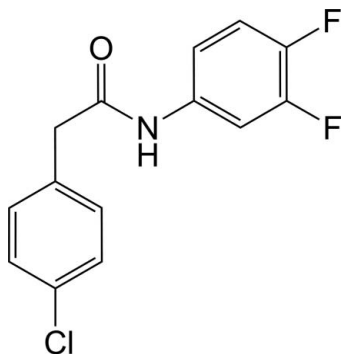
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 173$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.005$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.042;  $wR$  factor = 0.111; data-to-parameter ratio = 13.7.

In the title compound,  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{10}\text{ClF}_2\text{NO}$ , the dihedral angle between the mean planes of the 4-chlorophenyl and 3,4-difluorophenyl rings is  $65.2(1)^\circ$ . These two planes are twisted by  $83.5(5)$  and  $38.9(9)^\circ$ , respectively, from that of the acetamide group. In the crystal,  $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  hydrogen bonds form infinite chains along  $[100]$ . Weak  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  and  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{F}$  interactions are also observed and stack molecules along the  $b$  axis.

## Related literature

For the structural similarity of  $N$ -substituted 2-arylacetyl amides to the lateral chain of natural benzylpenicillin, see: Mijin & Marinkovic (2006); Mijin *et al.* (2008). For the coordination abilities of amides, see: Wu *et al.* (2008, 2010). For related structures, see: Praveen *et al.* (2011a,b,c, 2012). For standard bond lengths, see: Allen *et al.* (1987).



## Experimental

## Crystal data

$\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{10}\text{ClF}_2\text{NO}$   
 $M_r = 281.68$

Orthorhombic,  $P2_12_12_1$   
 $a = 4.8935(5)$  Å

$b = 5.8995(6)$  Å  
 $c = 42.572(4)$  Å  
 $V = 1229.0(2)$  Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 4$

Cu  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 2.92$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 173$  K  
 $0.36 \times 0.18 \times 0.08$  mm

## Data collection

Agilent Xcalibur (Eos, Gemini) diffractometer  
Absorption correction: multi-scan (*CrysAlis PRO* and *CrysAlis RED*; Agilent, 2012)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.608$ ,  $T_{\max} = 1.000$

7056 measured reflections  
2358 independent reflections  
2293 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.036$

## Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.042$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.111$   
 $S = 1.14$   
2358 reflections  
172 parameters  
H-atom parameters constrained  
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.42$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.28$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
Absolute structure: Flack  $x$  determined using 852 quotients  $[(I^+)-(I^-)]/[I^+(I^-)]$  (Parsons & Flack, 2004).  
Flack parameter:  $-0.003(14)$

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-\text{H}\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}$	$\text{H}\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}\cdots A$
$\text{N1}-\text{H1}\cdots\text{O1}^{\text{i}}$	0.88	1.97	2.854 (4)	177
$\text{C5}-\text{H5}\cdots\text{O1}^{\text{ii}}$	0.95	2.63	3.307 (4)	129
$\text{C14}-\text{H14}\cdots\text{F1}^{\text{iii}}$	0.95	2.69	3.615 (5)	164

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

Data collection: *CrysAlis PRO* (Agilent, 2012); cell refinement: *CrysAlis PRO*; data reduction: *CrysAlis PRO*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL2012* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *OLEX2* (Dolomanov *et al.*, 2009); software used to prepare material for publication: *OLEX2* (Dolomanov *et al.*, 2009).

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**S1. Comment**

N-Substituted 2-arylacetamides are very interesting compounds because of their structural similarity to the lateral chain of natural benzylpenicillin (Mijin *et al.*, 2006, 2008). Amides are also used as ligands due to their excellent coordination abilities (Wu *et al.*, 2008, 2010). Crystal structures of some acetamide derivatives viz., N-(3-chloro-4-fluorophenyl)-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)acetamide (Praveen *et al.*, 2011*a*), N-(4-chloro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)-2-(3-methylphenyl)acetamide monohydrate (Praveen *et al.*, 2011*b*), N-(3-chloro-4-fluorophenyl)-2,2-diphenylacetamide (Praveen *et al.*, 2011*c*) and N-(4,6-dimethoxypyrimidin-2-yl)-2-(3-methylphenyl)acetamide (Praveen *et al.*, 2012) have been reported. In view of the importance of amides, we report here the crystal structure of the title compound, C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>10</sub>ClF<sub>2</sub>NO, (I).

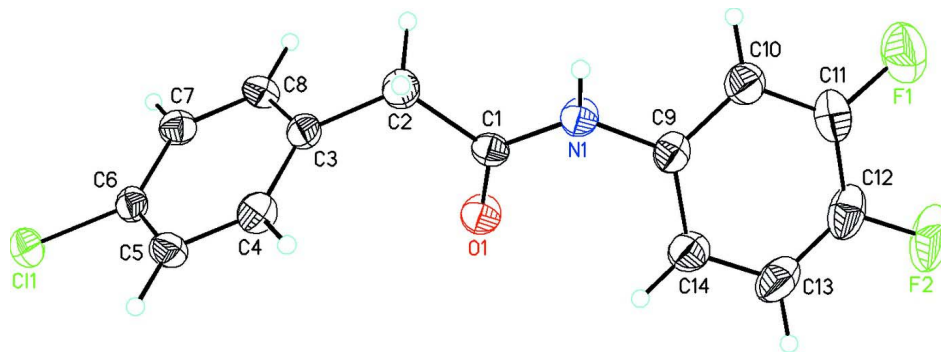
In (I) the dihedral angle between the mean planes of the 4-chlorophenyl and 3,4-difluorophenyl rings is 65.2 (1)° (Fig. 1). These two planes are twisted by 83.5 (5)° and 38.9 (9)°, respectively, from that of the acetamide group. Bond lengths are in normal ranges (Allen *et al.*, 1987). In the crystal, N—H···O hydrogen bonds are observed forming infinite chains along [100] (Fig. 2). Weak C5—H5···O1 and C14—H14···F1 intermolecular interactions are also observed, Table 1, stacking molecules along the *b* axis and contributing to the packing stability.

**S2. Experimental**

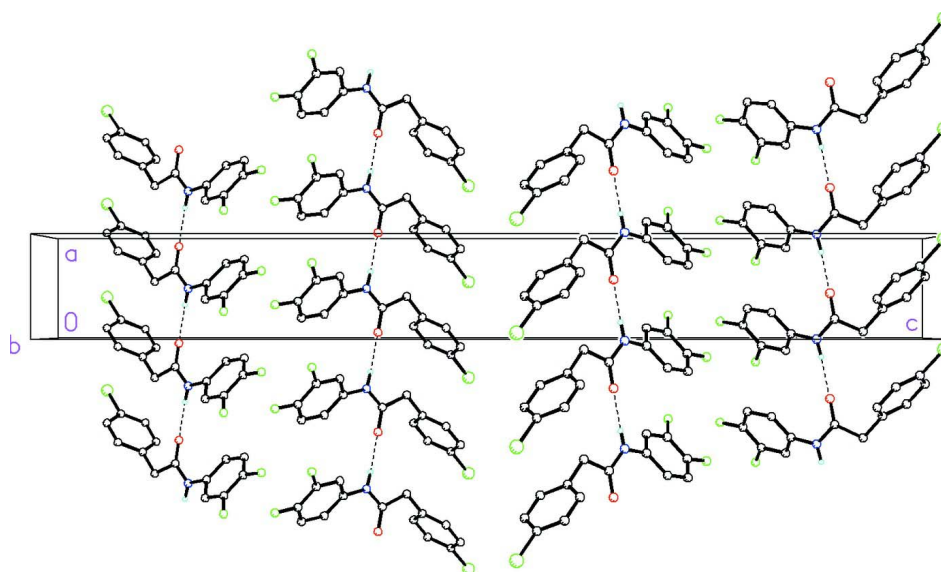
4-Chlorophenylacetic acid (0.168 g, 1 mmol), 3,4-difluoro aniline (0.129 g, 1 mmol) and 1-ethyl-3-(3-dimethylamino-propyl)carbodiimide hydrochloride (1.0 g, 0.01 mol) were dissolved in dichloromethane (20 mL). The mixture was stirred in presence of triethylamine at 273 K for about 3 h. The contents were poured into 100 ml of ice-cold aqueous hydrochloric acid with stirring and extracted thrice with dichloromethane. The organic layer was washed with saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution and brine solution, dried and concentrated under reduced pressure to give the title compound (I). Single crystals were grown from a dichloromethane and ethyl acetate (1:1) mixture by the slow evaporation method (m.p.: 394–396 K).

**S3. Refinement**

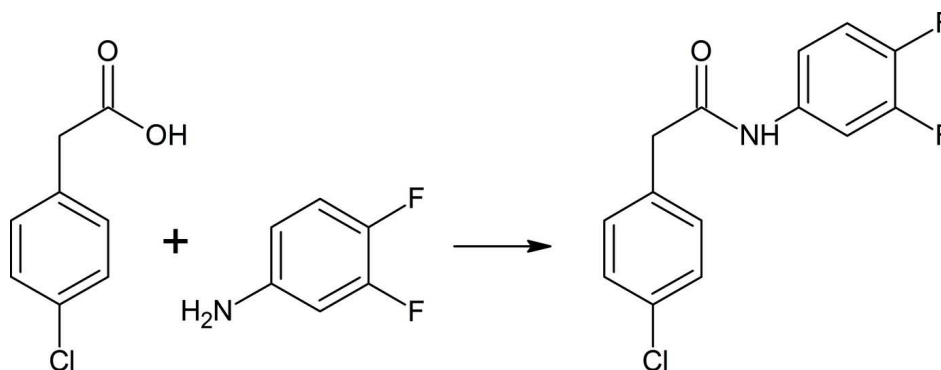
All of the H atoms were placed in their calculated positions and then refined using the riding model with atom—H lengths of 0.95 Å (CH), 0.99 Å (CH<sub>2</sub>) or 0.88 Å (NH). Isotropic displacement parameters for these atoms were set to 1.2 (CH, CH<sub>2</sub>, NH) times  $U_{eq}$  of the parent atom.

**Figure 1**

Molecular structure of the title compound showing the atom labeling scheme and 30% probability displacement ellipsoids.

**Figure 2**

Packing diagram of the title compound viewed along the *b* axis. Dashed lines indicate N—H...O hydrogen bonds forming infinite chains along (100). H atoms not involved in hydrogen bonding have been deleted for clarity.

**Figure 3**

Synthesis of (I).

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C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>10</sub>ClF<sub>2</sub>NO $M_r = 281.68$ Orthorhombic,  $P2_12_12_1$  $a = 4.8935$  (5) Å $b = 5.8995$  (6) Å $c = 42.572$  (4) Å $V = 1229.0$  (2) Å<sup>3</sup> $Z = 4$  $F(000) = 576$  $D_x = 1.523$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>Cu  $K\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 1.5418$  Å

Cell parameters from 2751 reflections

 $\theta = 4.2$ – $71.8^\circ$  $\mu = 2.92$  mm<sup>-1</sup> $T = 173$  K

Block, colourless

 $0.36 \times 0.18 \times 0.08$  mm

## Data collection

Agilent Xcalibur (Eos, Gemini)  
diffractometerRadiation source: Enhance (Cu) X-ray Source  
Graphite monochromatorDetector resolution: 16.1500 pixels mm<sup>-1</sup> $\omega$  scans

Absorption correction: multi-scan

(CrysAlis PRO and CrysAlis RED; Agilent,  
2012) $T_{\min} = 0.608$ ,  $T_{\max} = 1.000$ 

7056 measured reflections

2358 independent reflections

2293 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$  $R_{\text{int}} = 0.036$  $\theta_{\max} = 71.9^\circ$ ,  $\theta_{\min} = 4.2^\circ$  $h = -5 \rightarrow 5$  $k = -5 \rightarrow 7$  $l = -51 \rightarrow 52$ 

## Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$ 

Least-squares matrix: full

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.042$  $wR(F^2) = 0.111$  $S = 1.14$ 

2358 reflections

172 parameters

0 restraints

Primary atom site location: structure-invariant  
direct methodsHydrogen site location: inferred from  
neighbouring sites

H-atom parameters constrained

 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0565P)^2 + 0.5753P]$ where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.001$  $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.42$  e Å<sup>-3</sup> $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.28$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>Absolute structure: Flack  $x$  determined using852 quotients  $[(I^+)-(I^-)]/[(I^+)+(I^-)]$  (Parsons &  
Flack, 2004).Absolute structure parameter:  $-0.003$  (14)

## 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 (Å<sup>2</sup>)

	$x$	$y$	$z$	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
Cl1	0.07824 (18)	1.15259 (14)	0.52637 (2)	0.0318 (2)
F1	1.2311 (7)	-0.3034 (4)	0.69693 (6)	0.0598 (8)
F2	0.8308 (7)	-0.2387 (5)	0.73854 (6)	0.0667 (9)
O1	0.5599 (5)	0.4621 (4)	0.62977 (6)	0.0325 (6)
N1	0.9971 (6)	0.3740 (5)	0.64241 (6)	0.0278 (6)
H1	1.1690	0.4034	0.6379	0.033*
C1	0.8043 (7)	0.4794 (5)	0.62509 (7)	0.0235 (7)

C2	0.9212 (8)	0.6146 (6)	0.59751 (8)	0.0302 (7)
H2A	1.0618	0.7206	0.6055	0.036*
H2B	1.0118	0.5088	0.5828	0.036*
C3	0.7068 (7)	0.7477 (6)	0.57993 (7)	0.0256 (7)
C4	0.6153 (8)	0.9550 (6)	0.59132 (8)	0.0280 (7)
H4	0.6866	1.0118	0.6105	0.034*
C5	0.4220 (8)	1.0801 (5)	0.57515 (7)	0.0274 (7)
H5	0.3605	1.2217	0.5831	0.033*
C6	0.3201 (7)	0.9951 (6)	0.54724 (7)	0.0242 (7)
C7	0.4066 (8)	0.7886 (6)	0.53548 (7)	0.0276 (7)
H7	0.3341	0.7315	0.5164	0.033*
C8	0.5996 (7)	0.6671 (6)	0.55194 (7)	0.0281 (7)
H8	0.6604	0.5254	0.5440	0.034*
C9	0.9458 (7)	0.2196 (6)	0.66731 (7)	0.0268 (7)
C10	1.1106 (8)	0.0296 (6)	0.66937 (8)	0.0332 (8)
H10	1.2496	0.0031	0.6542	0.040*
C11	1.0702 (9)	-0.1211 (6)	0.69379 (9)	0.0388 (9)
C12	0.8660 (9)	-0.0846 (7)	0.71526 (9)	0.0414 (10)
C13	0.7041 (9)	0.1022 (8)	0.71351 (8)	0.0420 (10)
H13	0.5651	0.1263	0.7287	0.050*
C14	0.7420 (7)	0.2572 (7)	0.68951 (8)	0.0328 (8)
H14	0.6298	0.3882	0.6882	0.039*

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

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
Cl1	0.0302 (4)	0.0333 (4)	0.0318 (4)	0.0079 (4)	-0.0016 (3)	0.0064 (3)
F1	0.071 (2)	0.0458 (15)	0.0624 (16)	0.0100 (14)	-0.0095 (14)	0.0118 (13)
F2	0.0690 (19)	0.079 (2)	0.0520 (14)	-0.0119 (17)	-0.0029 (13)	0.0405 (14)
O1	0.0169 (13)	0.0455 (14)	0.0351 (12)	-0.0013 (12)	0.0013 (10)	0.0068 (11)
N1	0.0156 (14)	0.0387 (16)	0.0292 (13)	-0.0024 (11)	0.0008 (10)	0.0070 (12)
C1	0.0190 (17)	0.0247 (16)	0.0267 (15)	-0.0005 (13)	0.0014 (12)	-0.0011 (12)
C2	0.0221 (17)	0.0332 (17)	0.0355 (17)	-0.0003 (17)	0.0047 (14)	0.0104 (14)
C3	0.0216 (16)	0.0264 (16)	0.0288 (16)	-0.0002 (14)	0.0052 (13)	0.0072 (13)
C4	0.0282 (19)	0.0296 (16)	0.0263 (15)	-0.0030 (15)	-0.0021 (13)	-0.0010 (13)
C5	0.0298 (18)	0.0225 (15)	0.0298 (15)	0.0022 (15)	0.0040 (14)	-0.0023 (12)
C6	0.0192 (16)	0.0259 (16)	0.0275 (15)	0.0004 (13)	0.0019 (12)	0.0065 (12)
C7	0.0285 (18)	0.0285 (16)	0.0259 (14)	0.0003 (15)	0.0006 (13)	-0.0021 (12)
C8	0.0290 (18)	0.0249 (15)	0.0303 (15)	0.0063 (15)	0.0045 (14)	-0.0014 (12)
C9	0.0210 (16)	0.0343 (18)	0.0251 (14)	-0.0050 (15)	-0.0043 (13)	0.0024 (12)
C10	0.029 (2)	0.0396 (19)	0.0315 (16)	-0.0003 (16)	-0.0016 (14)	0.0014 (14)
C11	0.039 (2)	0.0347 (19)	0.0425 (19)	-0.0027 (19)	-0.0121 (18)	0.0079 (16)
C12	0.036 (2)	0.053 (2)	0.0352 (18)	-0.0142 (18)	-0.0074 (16)	0.0164 (18)
C13	0.033 (2)	0.065 (3)	0.0282 (17)	-0.007 (2)	0.0036 (15)	0.0057 (18)
C14	0.0234 (19)	0.045 (2)	0.0301 (17)	0.0004 (16)	0.0002 (13)	0.0005 (16)

*Geometric parameters (Å, °)*

C1—C6	1.747 (3)	C5—H5	0.9500
F1—C11	1.339 (5)	C5—C6	1.383 (5)
F2—C12	1.356 (4)	C6—C7	1.383 (5)
O1—C1	1.217 (4)	C7—H7	0.9500
N1—H1	0.8800	C7—C8	1.377 (5)
N1—C1	1.349 (4)	C8—H8	0.9500
N1—C9	1.420 (4)	C9—C10	1.384 (5)
C1—C2	1.530 (4)	C9—C14	1.392 (5)
C2—H2A	0.9900	C10—H10	0.9500
C2—H2B	0.9900	C10—C11	1.382 (5)
C2—C3	1.509 (5)	C11—C12	1.371 (6)
C3—C4	1.390 (5)	C12—C13	1.359 (6)
C3—C8	1.386 (5)	C13—H13	0.9500
C4—H4	0.9500	C13—C14	1.383 (5)
C4—C5	1.383 (5)	C14—H14	0.9500
C1—N1—H1	117.3	C6—C7—H7	120.5
C1—N1—C9	125.5 (3)	C8—C7—C6	118.9 (3)
C9—N1—H1	117.3	C8—C7—H7	120.5
O1—C1—N1	124.0 (3)	C3—C8—H8	119.4
O1—C1—C2	122.5 (3)	C7—C8—C3	121.2 (3)
N1—C1—C2	113.5 (3)	C7—C8—H8	119.4
C1—C2—H2A	109.0	C10—C9—N1	117.7 (3)
C1—C2—H2B	109.0	C10—C9—C14	120.2 (3)
H2A—C2—H2B	107.8	C14—C9—N1	122.1 (3)
C3—C2—C1	113.1 (3)	C9—C10—H10	120.5
C3—C2—H2A	109.0	C11—C10—C9	119.0 (4)
C3—C2—H2B	109.0	C11—C10—H10	120.5
C4—C3—C2	120.6 (3)	F1—C11—C10	120.5 (4)
C8—C3—C2	120.7 (3)	F1—C11—C12	119.2 (3)
C8—C3—C4	118.7 (3)	C12—C11—C10	120.3 (4)
C3—C4—H4	119.5	F2—C12—C11	118.3 (4)
C5—C4—C3	121.1 (3)	F2—C12—C13	120.6 (4)
C5—C4—H4	119.5	C13—C12—C11	121.0 (3)
C4—C5—H5	120.6	C12—C13—H13	120.1
C4—C5—C6	118.7 (3)	C12—C13—C14	119.9 (4)
C6—C5—H5	120.6	C14—C13—H13	120.1
C5—C6—C11	119.2 (3)	C9—C14—H14	120.3
C5—C6—C7	121.3 (3)	C13—C14—C9	119.5 (4)
C7—C6—C11	119.4 (3)	C13—C14—H14	120.3
C11—C6—C7—C8	179.3 (3)	C4—C5—C6—C11	-179.4 (3)
F1—C11—C12—F2	-1.6 (6)	C4—C5—C6—C7	0.3 (5)
F1—C11—C12—C13	177.8 (4)	C5—C6—C7—C8	-0.5 (5)
F2—C12—C13—C14	-179.7 (4)	C6—C7—C8—C3	0.2 (5)
O1—C1—C2—C3	8.0 (5)	C8—C3—C4—C5	-0.3 (5)

N1—C1—C2—C3	-175.1 (3)	C9—N1—C1—O1	3.5 (6)
N1—C9—C10—C11	178.5 (3)	C9—N1—C1—C2	-173.4 (3)
N1—C9—C14—C13	-179.1 (3)	C9—C10—C11—F1	-178.2 (3)
C1—N1—C9—C10	139.2 (4)	C9—C10—C11—C12	1.3 (6)
C1—N1—C9—C14	-42.1 (5)	C10—C9—C14—C13	-0.5 (5)
C1—C2—C3—C4	80.6 (4)	C10—C11—C12—F2	178.9 (4)
C1—C2—C3—C8	-100.1 (4)	C10—C11—C12—C13	-1.6 (6)
C2—C3—C4—C5	179.0 (3)	C11—C12—C13—C14	0.9 (6)
C2—C3—C8—C7	-179.1 (3)	C12—C13—C14—C9	0.2 (6)
C3—C4—C5—C6	0.0 (5)	C14—C9—C10—C11	-0.2 (5)
C4—C3—C8—C7	0.2 (5)		

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

<i>D</i> —H $\cdots$ <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H	H $\cdots$ <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> $\cdots$ <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H $\cdots$ <i>A</i>
N1—H1 $\cdots$ O1 <sup>i</sup>	0.88	1.97	2.854 (4)	177
C5—H5 $\cdots$ O1 <sup>ii</sup>	0.95	2.63	3.307 (4)	129
C14—H14 $\cdots$ F1 <sup>iii</sup>	0.95	2.69	3.615 (5)	164

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