



Crystal structure of 1,3,6,8-tetrabromo-9-ethyl-9H-carbazole

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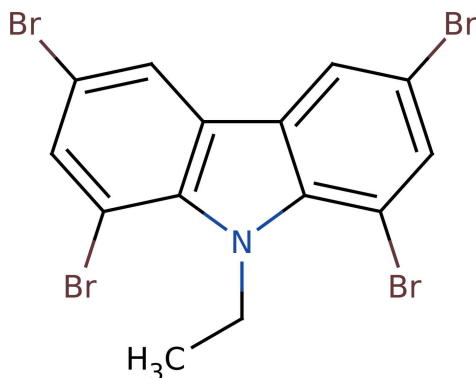
In the title compound, C₁₄H₉Br₄N, the tricyclic ring system is almost planar (r.m.s. deviation for the 13 non-H atoms = 0.017 Å) and the methyl C atom deviates from the mean plane of the ring system by 1.072 (17) Å. In the crystal, Br⋯Br contacts [3.636 (3) and 3.660 (3) Å] slightly shorter than the van der Waals contact distance of 3.70 Å are seen.

Keywords: crystal structure; carbazole; halogen–halogen contact.

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1. Related literature

For applications of *N*-substituted carbazole derivatives in anticancer research, see: Caulfield *et al.* (2002). For their use in optoelectronic devices, see: Niu *et al.* (2011); Miyazaki *et al.* (2014); Grigalevicius *et al.* (2002).



2. Experimental

2.1. Crystal data

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|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| C ₁₄ H ₉ Br ₄ N | $V = 753.1 (6) \text{ \AA}^3$ |
| $M_r = 510.85$ | $Z = 2$ |
| Monoclinic, $P2_1$ | Mo $K\alpha$ radiation |
| $a = 4.202 (2) \text{ \AA}$ | $\mu = 10.70 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ |
| $b = 14.654 (6) \text{ \AA}$ | $T = 293 \text{ K}$ |
| $c = 12.245 (6) \text{ \AA}$ | $0.40 \times 0.13 \times 0.12 \text{ mm}$ |
| $\beta = 92.758 (18)^\circ$ | |

2.2. Data collection

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| Rigaku XtaLAB mini diffractometer | 2755 measured reflections |
| Absorption correction: multi-scan (REQAB; Rigaku, 1998) | 2599 independent reflections |
| $T_{\min} = 0.115$, $T_{\max} = 0.277$ | 2071 reflections with $F^2 > 2.0\sigma(F^2)$ |
| | $R_{\text{int}} = 0.021$ |

2.3. Refinement

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| $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.056$ | $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.74 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$ |
| $wR(F^2) = 0.130$ | $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.66 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$ |
| $S = 1.01$ | Absolute structure: Flack (1983), 868 Friedel Pairs |
| 2600 reflections | Absolute structure parameter: 0.05 (4) |
| 172 parameters | |
| 1 restraint | |
| H-atom parameters constrained | |

Data collection: *CrystalClear-SM Expert* (Rigaku, 2011); cell refinement: *CrystalClear-SM Expert*; data reduction: *CrystalClear-SM Expert*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SIR92* (Altomare *et al.*, 1994); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *CrystalStructure* (Rigaku, 2010); software used to prepare material for publication: *CrystalStructure*.

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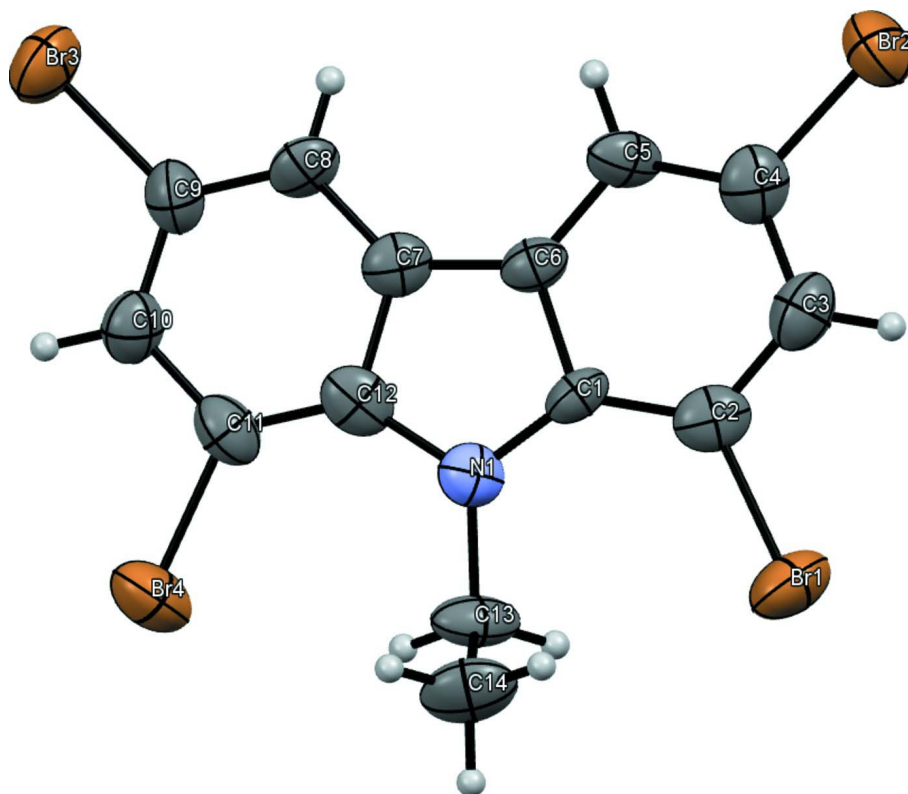
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S1. Synthesis and crystallization

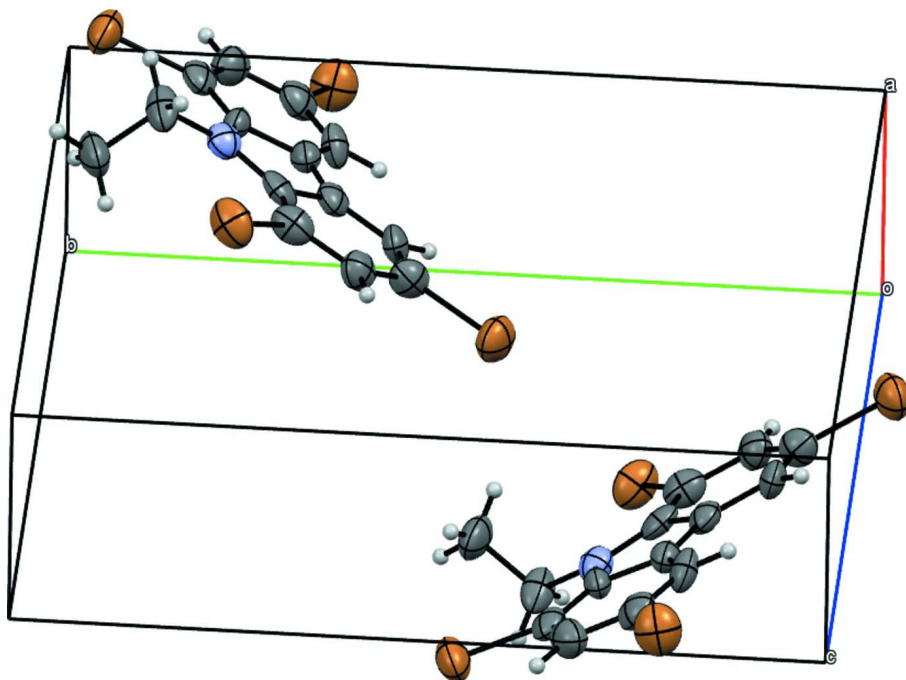
9-Ethyl-9H-carbazole (0.904 g, 4.63 mmol) was added to the solution of *N*-bromosuccinimide (NBS) (3.708 g, 20.83 mmol) in 30 ml of DMF. The reaction mixture was heated at 60°C for 24 hours. When the reaction completed (monitored *via* TLC) the solution was poured into a large amount of water with ice. The precipitate was filtered off and crystallized from the mixture of isopropanol and DMF (volume ratio about 5:1) to isolate the product as needles. The bulk sample appears yellowish, but individual crystals are colourless. Yield 1.80 g (76 %), m.p. 155–156°C. ¹H NMR (700 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 2H), 5.10 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.33 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H).

S2. Refinement

All hydrogen atoms were placed in geometrically idealized positions and constrained to ride on their parent atoms, with C—H = 0.930 Å for aromatic C—H, with 0.969 Å for methylene C—H, 0.957 Å for methyl distances and $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2 U_{\text{eq}}$.

**Figure 1**

The molecular structure of the title molecule with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level.

**Figure 2**

The crystal packing of the title compound.

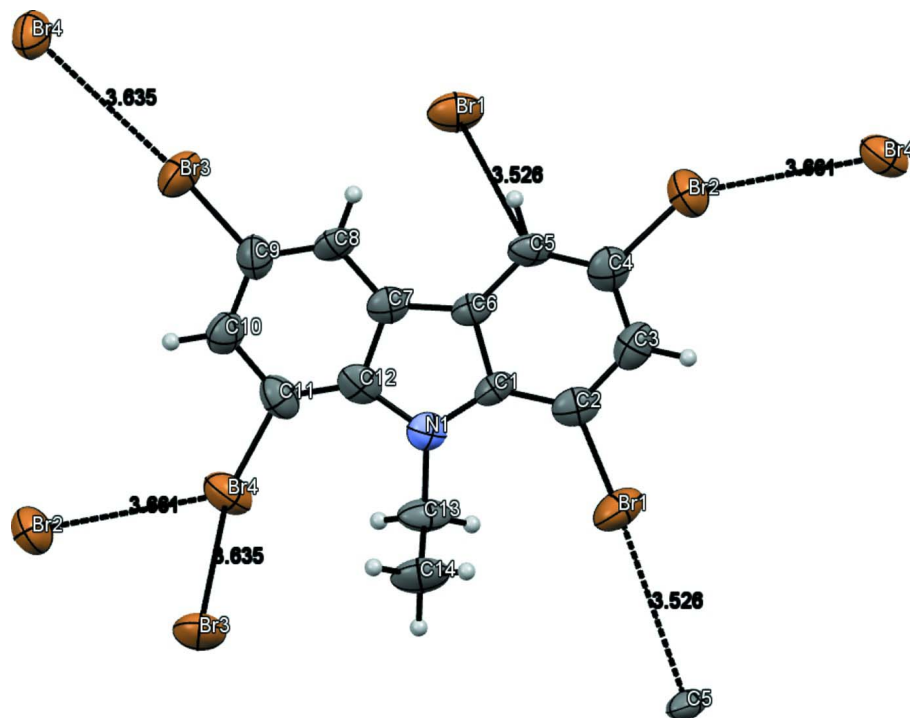


Figure 3

C—Br···Br and Br··· π intermolecular contacts.

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$R_{\text{int}} = 0.021$

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$h = -5 \rightarrow 5$

$k = -18 \rightarrow 18$

$l = -15 \rightarrow 4$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.056$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.130$
 $S = 1.01$
 2600 reflections
 172 parameters
 1 restraint
 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
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0517P)^2]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.74 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.66 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
 Absolute structure: Flack (1983), 868 Friedel
 Pairs
 Absolute structure parameter: 0.05 (4)

Special details

Refinement. Refinement was performed using all reflections. The weighted R -factor (wR) and goodness of fit (S) are based on F^2 . R -factor (gt) are based on F . The threshold expression of $F^2 > 2.0 \sigma(F^2)$ is used only for calculating R -factor (gt).

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

| | x | y | z | $U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$ |
|------|-------------|--------------|---------------|----------------------------------|
| Br1 | 1.0896 (3) | 0.54414 (9) | 0.00371 (12) | 0.0652 (4) |
| Br2 | 0.4335 (4) | 0.80930 (10) | -0.24666 (11) | 0.0710 (4) |
| Br3 | 0.3881 (3) | 1.05176 (9) | 0.38945 (12) | 0.0657 (4) |
| Br4 | 1.0717 (3) | 0.73324 (10) | 0.49105 (11) | 0.0654 (4) |
| N1 | 0.9560 (19) | 0.7062 (6) | 0.2062 (8) | 0.041 (2) |
| C1 | 0.854 (3) | 0.7148 (7) | 0.0995 (9) | 0.037 (3) |
| C2 | 0.893 (3) | 0.6617 (8) | 0.0045 (10) | 0.046 (3) |
| C3 | 0.768 (3) | 0.6924 (8) | -0.0998 (10) | 0.051 (3) |
| C4 | 0.598 (3) | 0.7757 (8) | -0.1069 (10) | 0.048 (3) |
| C5 | 0.556 (3) | 0.8265 (7) | -0.0176 (9) | 0.042 (3) |
| C6 | 0.682 (3) | 0.7978 (7) | 0.0871 (9) | 0.039 (3) |
| C7 | 0.671 (3) | 0.8383 (7) | 0.1907 (9) | 0.039 (3) |
| C8 | 0.533 (3) | 0.9191 (7) | 0.2281 (10) | 0.044 (3) |
| C9 | 0.566 (3) | 0.9430 (8) | 0.3353 (9) | 0.047 (3) |
| C10 | 0.729 (3) | 0.8854 (8) | 0.4117 (10) | 0.048 (3) |
| C11 | 0.869 (3) | 0.8032 (8) | 0.3764 (9) | 0.046 (3) |
| C12 | 0.845 (3) | 0.7785 (8) | 0.2676 (9) | 0.041 (3) |
| C13 | 1.178 (3) | 0.6333 (8) | 0.2518 (11) | 0.051 (3) |
| C14 | 1.008 (3) | 0.5530 (9) | 0.2926 (12) | 0.067 (4) |
| H3 | 0.7995 | 0.6581 | -0.1623 | 0.0616* |
| H5 | 0.4442 | 0.8811 | -0.0240 | 0.0498* |
| H8 | 0.4181 | 0.9565 | 0.1791 | 0.0524* |
| H10 | 0.7444 | 0.9015 | 0.4852 | 0.0581* |
| H13A | 1.3166 | 0.6139 | 0.1951 | 0.0616* |
| H13B | 1.3104 | 0.6590 | 0.3111 | 0.0616* |
| H14A | 0.8767 | 0.5270 | 0.2342 | 0.0802* |
| H14B | 0.8768 | 0.5712 | 0.3508 | 0.0802* |
| H14C | 1.1601 | 0.5084 | 0.3193 | 0.0802* |

Atomic displacement parameters (\AA^2)

| | U^{11} | U^{22} | U^{33} | U^{12} | U^{13} | U^{23} |
|-----|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Br1 | 0.0604 (7) | 0.0431 (7) | 0.0918 (11) | 0.0099 (7) | 0.0024 (7) | -0.0126 (7) |
| Br2 | 0.0871 (9) | 0.0752 (10) | 0.0491 (7) | 0.0044 (9) | -0.0140 (7) | -0.0013 (7) |
| Br3 | 0.0759 (8) | 0.0475 (7) | 0.0738 (9) | 0.0015 (8) | 0.0042 (7) | -0.0187 (7) |
| Br4 | 0.0710 (9) | 0.0678 (9) | 0.0557 (8) | -0.0063 (8) | -0.0143 (7) | 0.0171 (6) |
| N1 | 0.039 (5) | 0.037 (5) | 0.047 (5) | -0.009 (4) | -0.002 (4) | 0.000 (4) |
| C1 | 0.034 (5) | 0.026 (5) | 0.051 (6) | 0.003 (5) | 0.004 (5) | -0.004 (5) |
| C2 | 0.031 (5) | 0.040 (6) | 0.066 (8) | -0.010 (5) | -0.001 (5) | 0.003 (5) |
| C3 | 0.052 (6) | 0.048 (7) | 0.055 (7) | -0.009 (6) | 0.007 (5) | -0.017 (6) |
| C4 | 0.050 (6) | 0.040 (6) | 0.054 (7) | -0.013 (6) | 0.004 (6) | -0.006 (5) |
| C5 | 0.049 (6) | 0.020 (5) | 0.054 (7) | -0.003 (5) | -0.011 (5) | 0.002 (4) |
| C6 | 0.037 (5) | 0.033 (6) | 0.046 (6) | -0.001 (5) | 0.005 (4) | -0.002 (5) |
| C7 | 0.038 (5) | 0.030 (5) | 0.048 (6) | -0.017 (5) | 0.002 (5) | 0.002 (4) |
| C8 | 0.049 (6) | 0.032 (6) | 0.051 (7) | -0.007 (5) | 0.001 (5) | 0.002 (5) |
| C9 | 0.057 (7) | 0.048 (6) | 0.037 (6) | -0.015 (6) | 0.002 (5) | -0.004 (5) |
| C10 | 0.054 (6) | 0.042 (6) | 0.049 (7) | -0.008 (6) | 0.002 (6) | -0.007 (5) |
| C11 | 0.047 (6) | 0.047 (7) | 0.043 (6) | -0.012 (6) | -0.009 (5) | 0.007 (5) |
| C12 | 0.036 (5) | 0.041 (6) | 0.047 (6) | -0.020 (5) | -0.002 (5) | 0.004 (5) |
| C13 | 0.039 (6) | 0.037 (6) | 0.076 (9) | 0.002 (5) | -0.019 (6) | 0.007 (6) |
| C14 | 0.066 (7) | 0.030 (6) | 0.106 (11) | -0.004 (7) | 0.013 (7) | 0.018 (7) |

Geometric parameters (\AA , $^\circ$)

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|-------------------------------|------------|--------------------------------|------------|
| Br1—C2 | 1.912 (11) | C7—C12 | 1.458 (15) |
| Br2—C4 | 1.880 (12) | C8—C9 | 1.359 (16) |
| Br3—C9 | 1.894 (12) | C9—C10 | 1.412 (16) |
| Br4—C11 | 1.906 (11) | C10—C11 | 1.418 (16) |
| N1—C1 | 1.361 (14) | C11—C12 | 1.379 (15) |
| N1—C12 | 1.393 (14) | C13—C14 | 1.476 (17) |
| N1—C13 | 1.507 (14) | C3—H3 | 0.930 |
| C1—C2 | 1.415 (16) | C5—H5 | 0.930 |
| C1—C6 | 1.418 (14) | C8—H8 | 0.930 |
| C2—C3 | 1.429 (17) | C10—H10 | 0.930 |
| C3—C4 | 1.417 (16) | C13—H13A | 0.970 |
| C4—C5 | 1.340 (16) | C13—H13B | 0.970 |
| C5—C6 | 1.426 (15) | C14—H14A | 0.960 |
| C6—C7 | 1.404 (15) | C14—H14B | 0.960 |
| C7—C8 | 1.403 (15) | C14—H14C | 0.960 |
| Br2 \cdots Br4 ⁱ | 3.660 (3) | Br3 \cdots Br4 ⁱⁱ | 3.636 (3) |
| C1—N1—C12 | 110.4 (8) | Br4—C11—C12 | 125.5 (9) |
| C1—N1—C13 | 125.6 (9) | C10—C11—C12 | 120.3 (10) |
| C12—N1—C13 | 123.8 (9) | N1—C12—C7 | 106.2 (9) |
| N1—C1—C2 | 134.0 (9) | N1—C12—C11 | 135.2 (10) |
| N1—C1—C6 | 108.5 (9) | C7—C12—C11 | 118.5 (10) |

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|----------------|------------|----------------|-------------|
| C2—C1—C6 | 117.5 (10) | N1—C13—C14 | 113.0 (9) |
| Br1—C2—C1 | 124.5 (8) | C2—C3—H3 | 120.413 |
| Br1—C2—C3 | 114.7 (9) | C4—C3—H3 | 120.407 |
| C1—C2—C3 | 120.7 (10) | C4—C5—H5 | 119.576 |
| C2—C3—C4 | 119.2 (11) | C6—C5—H5 | 119.568 |
| Br2—C4—C3 | 116.3 (9) | C7—C8—H8 | 119.725 |
| Br2—C4—C5 | 122.8 (9) | C9—C8—H8 | 119.729 |
| C3—C4—C5 | 120.9 (11) | C9—C10—H10 | 119.964 |
| C4—C5—C6 | 120.9 (10) | C11—C10—H10 | 119.962 |
| C1—C6—C5 | 120.9 (10) | N1—C13—H13A | 108.986 |
| C1—C6—C7 | 107.8 (9) | N1—C13—H13B | 108.988 |
| C5—C6—C7 | 131.3 (9) | C14—C13—H13A | 108.984 |
| C6—C7—C8 | 133.2 (10) | C14—C13—H13B | 108.981 |
| C6—C7—C12 | 106.9 (9) | H13A—C13—H13B | 107.779 |
| C8—C7—C12 | 119.9 (10) | C13—C14—H14A | 109.473 |
| C7—C8—C9 | 120.5 (10) | C13—C14—H14B | 109.466 |
| Br3—C9—C8 | 122.1 (9) | C13—C14—H14C | 109.472 |
| Br3—C9—C10 | 117.2 (9) | H14A—C14—H14B | 109.470 |
| C8—C9—C10 | 120.6 (11) | H14A—C14—H14C | 109.470 |
| C9—C10—C11 | 120.1 (11) | H14B—C14—H14C | 109.476 |
| Br4—C11—C10 | 114.2 (8) | | |
| | | | |
| C1—N1—C12—C7 | -2.6 (10) | C3—C4—C5—C6 | -0.3 (16) |
| C1—N1—C12—C11 | 178.7 (10) | C4—C5—C6—C1 | -0.2 (15) |
| C12—N1—C1—C2 | -179.2 (9) | C4—C5—C6—C7 | -179.9 (9) |
| C12—N1—C1—C6 | 3.2 (10) | C1—C6—C7—C8 | -179.3 (9) |
| C1—N1—C13—C14 | -92.7 (12) | C1—C6—C7—C12 | 0.9 (10) |
| C13—N1—C1—C2 | 4.9 (16) | C5—C6—C7—C8 | 0.4 (18) |
| C13—N1—C1—C6 | -172.6 (8) | C5—C6—C7—C12 | -179.4 (9) |
| C12—N1—C13—C14 | 91.9 (11) | C6—C7—C8—C9 | -178.4 (10) |
| C13—N1—C12—C7 | 173.4 (8) | C6—C7—C12—N1 | 1.0 (10) |
| C13—N1—C12—C11 | -5.3 (17) | C6—C7—C12—C11 | 179.9 (8) |
| N1—C1—C2—Br1 | 6.9 (16) | C8—C7—C12—N1 | -178.9 (8) |
| N1—C1—C2—C3 | -176.1 (9) | C8—C7—C12—C11 | 0.1 (14) |
| N1—C1—C6—C5 | 177.7 (8) | C12—C7—C8—C9 | 1.4 (15) |
| N1—C1—C6—C7 | -2.5 (10) | C7—C8—C9—Br3 | 179.4 (8) |
| C2—C1—C6—C5 | -0.3 (13) | C7—C8—C9—C10 | -2.4 (16) |
| C2—C1—C6—C7 | 179.4 (8) | Br3—C9—C10—C11 | -179.7 (7) |
| C6—C1—C2—Br1 | -175.7 (7) | C8—C9—C10—C11 | 2.0 (16) |
| C6—C1—C2—C3 | 1.3 (13) | C9—C10—C11—Br4 | -178.9 (9) |
| Br1—C2—C3—C4 | 175.5 (7) | C9—C10—C11—C12 | -0.5 (16) |
| C1—C2—C3—C4 | -1.7 (15) | Br4—C11—C12—N1 | -3.7 (17) |
| C2—C3—C4—Br2 | -178.4 (8) | Br4—C11—C12—C7 | 177.7 (6) |
| C2—C3—C4—C5 | 1.2 (16) | C10—C11—C12—N1 | 178.1 (10) |
| Br2—C4—C5—C6 | 179.4 (6) | C10—C11—C12—C7 | -0.5 (15) |

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