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## 3-Bromopyridine-2-carbonitrile

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The title compound,  $C_6H_3BrN_2$ , also known as 3-bromopicolinonitrile, was synthesized by cyanation of 2,3-dibromopyridine. In the solid state, short intermolecular Br···N contacts are observed. Additionally, the crystal packing is consolidated by  $\pi$ - $\pi$  stacking interactions with centroid-centroid distances of 3.7893 (9) Å.



#### **Structure description**

The new title compound is a pyridine derivative with a cyano group in the *ortho* and a bromine atom in the *meta* position. Its molecular structure is shown in Fig. 1. Non-H short intermolecular contacts along the *b* axis are observed [Br1···N2 = 3.1237 (17) Å, Fig. 2]. Additionally the crystal packing is stabilized by  $\pi$ - $\pi$  stacking interactions between the pyridine rings along the *c* axis [centroid–centroid distance: 3.7893 (9) Å, dihedral angle between the planes of the pyridine rings: 4.01 (7)°, ring slippage 1.32 and 1.16 Å, respectively; Fig. 3].

#### Synthesis and crystallization

The title compound was obtained as the main product by synthesizing the mono- and dicyano derivatives of 2,3-dibromopyridine. The reaction was carried out in an Ace pressure tube. A mixture of 2,3-dibromopyridine (1.0 mmol, 237 mg),  $K_4$ [Fe(CN)<sub>6</sub>]·3H<sub>2</sub>O (0.4 mmol, 169 mg),  $Na_2$ CO<sub>3</sub> (1.2 mmol, 127 mg), CuI (0.1 mmol, 19 mg), 1-butyl-imidazole (2.0 mmol, 248 mg) and *o*-xylene (2 ml) was stirred at 160°C for 24 h. Afterwards the reaction mixture was quenched with water and diluted with dichloromethane. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane (3 × 20 ml). The combined organic layers were dried on anhydrous  $Na_2$ SO<sub>4</sub>. After filtering, the solvent was removed *in vacuo*, and the product was purified





#### Figure 1

The molecular structure of the title compound with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 30% probability level.

by column chromatography (silica gel, ethyl acetate/*n*-hexane 1:1  $\nu/\nu$ ; yield: 20%, 37 mg). Crystals suitable for X-ray analysis were obtained by recrystallization from an ethyl acetate/*n*-



#### Figure 2

Partial packing diagram of the title compound showing the intermolecular Br $\cdots$ N contacts as dashed lines. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.



Figure 3

Packing diagram of the title compound showing the  $\pi$ - $\pi$  stacking interactions (dashed lines). Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.

Table	1	
Experi	mental	details.

Crystal data	
Chemical formula	$C_6H_3BrN_2$
M <sub>r</sub>	183.01
Crystal system, space group	Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$
Temperature (K)	150
a, b, c (Å)	7.8821 (2), 11.7480 (3), 7.4169 (2)
β (°)	113.906 (1)
$V(Å^3)$	627.88 (3)
Z	4
Radiation type	Μο Κα
$\mu \text{ (mm}^{-1})$	6.44
Crystal size (mm)	$0.43 \times 0.39 \times 0.22$
Data collection	
Diffractometer	Bruker Kappa APEXII DUO
Absorption correction	Multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 2014)
Tmin. Tmax	0.17. 0.34
No. of measured, independent and	18621, 1637, 1577
observed $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$ reflections	,,
Rint	0.020
$(\sin \theta / \lambda)_{\rm max} ({\rm \AA}^{-1})$	0.679
Refinement	
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)], wR(F^2), S$	0.016, 0.042, 1.16
No. of reflections	1637
No. of parameters	82
H-atom treatment	H-atom parameters constrained
$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} \Delta \rho_{\rm min} (e {\rm \AA}^{-3})$	0.380.37
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Computer programs: APEX2 (Bruker, 2014), SAINT (Bruker, 2013), XP in SHELXTL and SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 2008), SHELXL2014 (Sheldrick, 2015), Mercury (Macrae et al., 2006), publCIF (Westrip, 2010) and PLATON (Spek, 2009).

heptane (1:1 v/v) solution. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.43 (*dd*, 1H, *J* = 744 Hz), 2.09 (*s*, 3H), 8.03 (*dd*, 1H, *J* = 8.03 Hz), 8.63 (*dd*, 1H, *J* = 744 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 115.7 (C), 124.6 (C), 127.8 (CH), 135.1 (C), 149.2 (CH), 149.2 (CH); GC–MS (EI, 70 eV): m/z = 184 ( $M^+$ , 96), 181 (100), 103 (99), 76 (49), 75 (29), 51 (22), 50 (21).

#### Refinement

Crystal data, data collection and structure refinement details are summarized in Table 1. One outlier (100) was omitted in the last cycles of refinement.

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F(000) = 352

 $\theta = 2.8 - 28.8^{\circ}$  $\mu = 6.44 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ 

T = 150 K

 $D_{\rm x} = 1.936 {\rm Mg} {\rm m}^{-3}$ 

Mo *K* $\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71073$  Å

Part of a needle, colourless

 $0.43 \times 0.39 \times 0.22 \text{ mm}$ 

Cell parameters from 9981 reflections

from

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Crystal data

C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>  $M_r = 183.01$ Monoclinic,  $P2_1/c$  a = 7.8821 (2) Å b = 11.7480 (3) Å c = 7.4169 (2) Å  $\beta = 113.906$  (1)° V = 627.88 (3) Å<sup>3</sup> Z = 4

#### Data collection

Bruker Kappa APEXII DUO	18621 measured reflections
Padiation source: fine focus sealed tube	$1577$ reflections with $L > 2\sigma(D)$
Curved graphite monochromator	$R_{\rm int} = 0.020$
Detector resolution: 8.3333 pixels mm <sup>-1</sup>	$\theta_{\rm max} = 28.8^{\circ},  \theta_{\rm min} = 3.3^{\circ}$
$\omega$ and phi scans	$h = -10 \rightarrow 10$
Absorption correction: multi-scan	$k = -15 \rightarrow 15$
(SADABS; Bruker, 2014)	$l = -10 \rightarrow 8$
$T_{\min} = 0.17, \ T_{\max} = 0.34$	
Refinement	
Refinement on $F^2$	Hydrogen site location: inferred
Least-squares matrix: full	neighbouring sites
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.016$	H-atom parameters constrained
$wR(F^2) = 0.042$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0198P)^2 + 0.$

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  $wR(F^2) = 0.042$   $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0198P)^2 + 0.3045P]$  

 S = 1.16 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$  

 1637 reflections
  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.001$  

 82 parameters
  $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.38$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

 0 restraints
  $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.37$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

#### 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.

**Refinement**. The H atoms were refined as riding, with C-H = 0.95 Å and  $U_{iso}(H) = -1.2U_{eq}(C)$ .

	X	У	Ζ	$U_{ m iso}$ */ $U_{ m eq}$	
Br1	0.30145 (2)	0.36783 (2)	0.19853 (2)	0.02306 (6)	
C1	0.0879 (2)	0.16246 (12)	0.1697 (2)	0.0229 (3)	
C2	0.08389 (19)	0.28060 (12)	0.1631 (2)	0.0219 (3)	
C3	-0.0811 (2)	0.33623 (13)	0.1323 (2)	0.0272 (3)	
Н3	-0.0885	0.4170	0.1274	0.033*	
C4	-0.2344 (2)	0.27070 (14)	0.1088 (2)	0.0286 (3)	
H4	-0.3499	0.3058	0.0860	0.034*	
C5	-0.2173 (2)	0.15295 (14)	0.1192 (3)	0.0287 (3)	
Н5	-0.3235	0.1090	0.1037	0.034*	
C6	0.2574 (2)	0.10001 (14)	0.2049 (2)	0.0274 (3)	
N1	-0.05951 (18)	0.09830 (12)	0.1497 (2)	0.0280 (3)	
N2	0.3907 (2)	0.05012 (14)	0.2363 (2)	0.0384 (3)	

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

Atomic displacement parameters  $(Å^2)$ 

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
Br1	0.02029 (8)	0.02140 (8)	0.02829 (9)	-0.00458 (5)	0.01069 (6)	-0.00295 (5)
C1	0.0233 (6)	0.0217 (6)	0.0235 (7)	0.0023 (5)	0.0094 (5)	0.0002 (5)
C2	0.0219 (6)	0.0213 (6)	0.0222 (6)	-0.0009 (5)	0.0087 (5)	-0.0011 (5)
C3	0.0277 (7)	0.0211 (6)	0.0314 (8)	0.0040 (5)	0.0104 (6)	0.0003 (6)
C4	0.0226 (6)	0.0301 (8)	0.0330 (8)	0.0053 (6)	0.0110 (6)	0.0015 (6)
C5	0.0231 (7)	0.0278 (7)	0.0354 (8)	0.0006 (6)	0.0121 (6)	0.0022 (6)
C6	0.0273 (7)	0.0238 (7)	0.0320 (8)	0.0017 (6)	0.0129 (6)	-0.0017 (6)
N1	0.0255 (6)	0.0233 (6)	0.0362 (7)	0.0013 (5)	0.0136 (5)	0.0023 (5)
N2	0.0311 (7)	0.0354 (8)	0.0485 (9)	0.0077 (6)	0.0161 (7)	-0.0040 (7)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

Br1—C2	1.9220 (14)	С3—Н3	0.9500
C1—N1	1.3418 (19)	C4—C5	1.389 (2)
C1—C2	1.389 (2)	C4—H4	0.9500
C1—C6	1.452 (2)	C5—N1	1.335 (2)
C2—C3	1.390 (2)	С5—Н5	0.9500
C3—C4	1.382 (2)	C6—N2	1.141 (2)
N1—C1—C2	123.46 (14)	C3—C4—C5	119.18 (14)
N1-C1-C6	115.37 (13)	C3—C4—H4	120.4
C2-C1-C6	121.15 (14)	C5—C4—H4	120.4
C1—C2—C3	118.83 (13)	N1—C5—C4	123.44 (15)
C1—C2—Br1	121.45 (11)	N1—C5—H5	118.3
C3—C2—Br1	119.71 (11)	C4—C5—H5	118.3
C4—C3—C2	118.08 (14)	N2C6C1	178.55 (19)
С4—С3—Н3	121.0	C5—N1—C1	117.00 (14)
С2—С3—Н3	121.0		

# data reports

N1—C1—C2—C3	-0.6 (2)	C2—C3—C4—C5	0.7 (2)
C6—C1—C2—C3	-178.91 (14)	C3—C4—C5—N1	-0.4 (3)
N1—C1—C2—Br1	178.61 (11)	C4—C5—N1—C1	-0.5 (2)
C6—C1—C2—Br1	0.3 (2)	C2-C1-N1-C5	1.0 (2)
C1—C2—C3—C4	-0.3 (2)	C6—C1—N1—C5	179.35 (14)
Br1-C2-C3-C4	-179.52 (12)		