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## (*E*,*E*)-1,2-Bis[4-(prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)benzylidene]hydrazine

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; T = 100 K; mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.001 Å; R factor = 0.037; wR factor = 0.111; data-to-parameter ratio = 16.3.

The molecule of the title compound,  $C_{20}H_{16}N_2O_2$ , is centrosymmetric with the mid-point of the central N–N bond located on an inversion center. The configuration around the C=N bond is *E*. The whole molecule (except for the H atoms) is approximately planar, with an r.m.s. deviation of 0.07 Å. In the crystal, the presence of weak intermolecular C–H···O hydrogen bonding involving each acetylene H atom and the adjacent phenoxy O atom results in the formation of supramolecular chains.

#### **Related literature**

For the structure of (E,E)-1,2-bis[3-methoxy-4-(prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)benzylindene]hydrazine see: Al-Mehana *et al.* (2011).



Experimental

Crystal data C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>

 $M_r=316.35$ 

Monoclinic, $P2_1/n$	Z = 2
a = 7.6598 (1)  Å	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
b = 8.1117 (1) Å	$\mu = 0.09 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
c = 12.9966 (2) Å	T = 100  K
$\beta = 94.466 (1)^{\circ}$	$0.30 \times 0.16 \times 0.05 \text{ mm}$
V = 805.08 (2) Å <sup>3</sup>	
Data collection	
Bruker APEXII CCD area-detector	7404 measured reflections
diffractometer	1847 independent reflections
Absorption correction: multi-scan	1698 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
(SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)	$R_{\rm int} = 0.021$
T = 0.075 T = 0.006	

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.037$	H atoms treated by a mixture of
$wR(F^2) = 0.111$	independent and constrained
S = 1.01	refinement
1847 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.32 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$
113 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.26 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

#### Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å,  $^{\circ}$ ).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$	
$C1 - H1 \cdots O1^{i}$	0.928 (15)	2.383 (15)	3.2511 (13)	155.7 (13)	
Symmetry code: (i) $-x - \frac{1}{2}, y + \frac{1}{2}, -z + \frac{3}{2}$ .					

Data collection: *APEX2* (Bruker, 2008); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2008); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *X-SEED* (Barbour, 2001); software used to prepare material for publication: *publCIF* (Westrip, 2010).

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#### Comment

The preceeding the structure (E,E)-1,2-Bis[3-methoxy-4-(prop-2-yn-1study reports crystal of yloxy)benzylindene]hydrazine, in which the molecules are linked by C-H···O interaction between methylene H and methoxy O atoms, resulting in the formation of supramolecular chains (Al-Mehana et al. 2011). The title compound, C20H16N2O2, without the methoxy substituent on the aromatic ring, is also centrosymmetric around the central azine bond  $[N1-N1^{i} = 1.412 (2) \text{ Å}; \text{ symmetry operation i: } -x + 1, -y - 1, -z + 2].$  The molecule also adopts the *E* configuration around the N1=C10 bond [1.2825 (13) Å]. The title compound differs from the previous reported structure as it adopts a different type of C—H···O interaction in its crystal packing. In this case, each acetylene-H atom interacts with the adjacent phenoxy-O [C1—H1···O1<sup>ii</sup> =3.2511 (13) Å; symmetry operation ii: -0.5 - x, 1/2 + y, 1.5 - z]] resulting in the formation of a supramolecular network (Fig. 2).

#### **Experimental**

4,4'-(E, E)-hydrazine-1,2-diylidene bis(methan-1-yl-1-ylidene)diphenol ( $L_1$ ) was prepared by stirring 4-hydroxybenzaldehyde (3 g, 24.5 mmol), hydrazine sulfate (1.65 g, 12.6 mmol) and 1.5 ml of concentrated ammonium solution in a mixture of ethanol and water (20 ml) for 3 h. The product was obtained as a yellow crystalline solid, m.p. 558 K. A mixture of the diphenol,  $L_1$  (2 g, 8.3 mmol) and anhydrous potassium carbonate (1.84 g, 8.6 mmol) in 20 ml of dry acetone was stirred for 20 minutes. Then an excess of propargyl bromide (2.28 g, 19.2 mmol) was added dropwise and the resulting mixture was left under reflux for 48 h. The solvent was then evaporated under reduced pressure. The product was extracted with 100 ml of diethyl ether. The organic layer was washed with brine and dried with MgSO<sub>4</sub>. A yellow amorphous solid was obtained upon slow evaporation of the ethereal solution and was recrystallized with ethyl acetate-methanol mixture to yield the pure yellow crystal, m.p. 453 K.

#### Refinement

The acetylene H-atom was located in a difference Fourier map, and was refined isotropically. Other H atoms were placed at calculated positions (C–H 0.93 to 0.98 Å) and were treated as riding on their parent carbon atoms, with U(H) set to 1.2 times  $U_{eq}(C)$ .

#### **Figures**



Fig. 1. The molecular structure of (E,E)-1,2-bis[4-(prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)benzylindene]hydrazine showing 70% probability displacement ellipsoids and the atom numbering. Hydrogen atoms are drawn as spheres of arbitrary radius.



Fig. 2. A view of the supramolecular network in the title compound showing the C—H $\cdots$ O interactions.

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Crystal data

$C_{20}H_{16}N_2O_2$	F(000) = 332
$M_r = 316.35$	$D_{\rm x} = 1.305 {\rm ~Mg~m}^{-3}$
Monoclinic, $P2_1/n$	Melting point: 453 K
Hall symbol: -P 2yn	Mo <i>K</i> $\alpha$ radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å
a = 7.6598 (1) Å	Cell parameters from 4790 reflections
b = 8.1117(1) Å	$\theta = 3.0 - 28.3^{\circ}$
c = 12.9966 (2) Å	$\mu = 0.09 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\beta = 94.466 \ (1)^{\circ}$	T = 100  K
$V = 805.08 (2) \text{ Å}^3$	Block, yellow
<i>Z</i> = 2	$0.30\times0.16\times0.05~mm$

#### Data collection

1847 independent reflections
1698 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
$R_{\rm int} = 0.021$
$\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.5^{\circ}, \ \theta_{\text{min}} = 3.0^{\circ}$
$h = -9 \rightarrow 9$
$k = -10 \rightarrow 10$
$l = -16 \rightarrow 16$

#### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods
Least-squares matrix: full	Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.037$	Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites
$wR(F^2) = 0.111$	H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement
<i>S</i> = 1.01	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0717P)^2 + 0.215P]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
1847 reflections	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$

113 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{max} = 0.32 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
0 restraints	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.26 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

#### 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.

**Refinement**. Refinement of  $F^2$  against ALL reflections. The weighted *R*-factor *wR* and goodness of fit *S* are based on  $F^2$ , conventional *R*-factors *R* are based on *F*, with *F* set to zero for negative  $F^2$ . The threshold expression of  $F^2 > \sigma(F^2)$  is used only for calculating *R*-factors(gt) *etc.* and is not relevant to the choice of reflections for refinement. *R*-factors based on  $F^2$  are statistically about twice as large as those based on *F*, and *R*- factors based on ALL data will be even larger.

x	У	Z	$U_{\rm iso}*/U_{\rm eq}$
0.03607 (9)	0.22226 (8)	0.83985 (5)	0.0188 (2)
0.44709 (10)	-0.44532 (10)	0.96895 (6)	0.0200 (2)
-0.20330 (14)	0.57486 (13)	0.80143 (8)	0.0249 (2)
-0.285 (2)	0.6468 (19)	0.7698 (12)	0.040 (4)*
-0.09922 (13)	0.48192 (12)	0.84201 (7)	0.0198 (2)
0.02396 (12)	0.37108 (11)	0.89870 (7)	0.0185 (2)
0.1381	0.4229	0.9089	0.022*
-0.0166	0.3462	0.9658	0.022*
0.13140 (11)	0.09661 (11)	0.88750 (7)	0.0165 (2)
0.14991 (13)	-0.04424 (12)	0.82692 (7)	0.0196 (2)
0.1006	-0.0473	0.7592	0.024*
0.24152 (12)	-0.17843 (12)	0.86805 (7)	0.0192 (2)
0.2533	-0.2721	0.8279	0.023*
0.31723 (12)	-0.17477 (11)	0.97012 (7)	0.0179 (2)
0.29749 (12)	-0.03295 (12)	1.02859 (7)	0.0186 (2)
0.3473	-0.0293	1.0961	0.022*
0.20532 (12)	0.10295 (12)	0.98860 (7)	0.0181 (2)
0.1932	0.1966	1.0287	0.022*
0.42043 (12)	-0.31051 (12)	1.01685 (7)	0.0188 (2)
0.4689	-0.2987	1.0843	0.023*
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Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters  $(A^2)$ 

Atomic dis	placement paramete	rs (Å <sup>2</sup> )				
	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
01	0.0219 (4)	0.0157 (4)	0.0182 (3)	0.0023 (2)	-0.0021 (3)	-0.0015 (2)
N1	0.0182 (4)	0.0175 (4)	0.0238 (4)	0.0006 (3)	-0.0008 (3)	0.0045 (3)
C1	0.0271 (5)	0.0247 (5)	0.0224 (5)	0.0053 (4)	-0.0016 (4)	-0.0010 (4)
C2	0.0215 (5)	0.0192 (5)	0.0187 (4)	-0.0009 (4)	0.0008 (3)	-0.0028 (3)
C3	0.0198 (5)	0.0161 (4)	0.0191 (4)	0.0004 (3)	-0.0011 (3)	-0.0021 (3)
C4	0.0146 (4)	0.0155 (4)	0.0195 (5)	-0.0007 (3)	0.0014 (3)	0.0018 (3)

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C5 C6 C7 C8 C9 C10	0.0216 (5) 0.0211 (5) 0.0162 (4) 0.0175 (4) 0.0183 (5) 0.0166 (4)	0.0197 (5) 0.0159 (4) 0.0169 (5) 0.0204 (5) 0.0171 (4) 0.0192 (5)	0.0173 (4) 0.0207 (5) 0.0208 (5) 0.0176 (4) 0.0191 (4) 0.0205 (4)	-0.0006 (3) -0.0002 (3) -0.0013 (3) -0.0020 (3) -0.0011 (3) -0.0019 (3)	-0.0001 (3) 0.0021 (3) 0.0028 (3) 0.0001 (3) 0.0019 (3) 0.0009 (3)	-0.0008 (3) -0.0014 (3) 0.0028 (3) 0.0012 (3) -0.0017 (3) 0.0030 (3)
Geometric param	neters (Å, °)					
O1—C4		1.3730 (11)	C5	—C4	1.40	010 (13)
O1—C3		1.4359 (11)	C5	—Н5	0.93	300
N1-C10		1.2825 (13)	C6	—Н6	0.9300	
N1—N1 <sup>i</sup>		1.4120 (15)	C7	—С8	1.39	934 (13)
C1—H1		0.929 (16)	C7	—С6	1.40	062 (13)
C2—C1		1.1902 (15)	C8	—С9	1.38	381 (13)
C2—C3		1.4606 (13)	C8	—Н8	0.93	300
С3—НЗА		0.9700	C9	—Н9	0.93	300
C3—H3B		0.9700	C1	0—C7	1.45	599 (13)
C4—C9		1.3906 (13)	C1	0—H10	0.93	300
C5—C6		1.3800 (13)				
O1—C4—C9		124.18 (8)	C5	—С6—Н6	119	.7
O1—C4—C5		115.18 (8)	C6	—C7—C10	123	.14 (9)
O1—C3—C2		108.35 (7)	C6	—C5—C4	119	.75 (9)
O1—C3—H3A		110.0	С6—С5—Н5 120.1		.1	
O1—C3—H3B		110.0	С7—С6—Н6 119.7		.7	
N1—C10—C7		122.86 (9)	C7	С7—С10—Н10 118.6		.6
N1—C10—H10		118.6	C7	—С8—Н8	119	.2
C1 - C2 - C3		176.00 (10)	C8		118	.83 (9)
$C_2 = C_3 = H_3 A$		110.0	C8	C8—C9—H9		.6
C2—C3—H3B		110.0		-C7 - C6	118.53 (9)	
$C_2 = C_1 = \Pi_1$		1/9.3 (10)		-C/-C10	118.30 (8)	
ПЗА—С5—Н5		120.1	C	$-C^{4}-C^{7}$	120	.03 (9) 68 (9)
C4 - 01 - C3		115 98 (7)	C9	—С8—Н8	119	2
С4—С9—Н9		120.6	Cl	0 N1 N1 <sup>i</sup>	111	36 (10)
C5—C6—C7		120.57 (9)	CI	0—IN1—IN1	111	.50 (10)
01-C4-C9-C	8	179.33 (8)	C5		-0.1	16 (13)
N1 <sup>i</sup> _N1_C10_	с7	179.14 (9)	C6	-C5-C4-01	-17	9.17 (8)
N1-C10-C7-(		-17944(9)	C6		0.36	5(14)
N1-C10-C7-C	26	-1.46(15)	C6		0.16	5(14)
C1—C2—C3—O	1	140.8 (15)	C7	—C8—C9—C4	-0.1	10 (14)
C3—O1—C4—C	9	3.86 (13)	C8		0.05	5 (14)
C3—O1—C4—C	5	-176.63 (7)	C1	0	178	.23 (8)
C4—O1—C3—C	2	-172.83 (7)	C1	0—C7—C6—C5	-17	7.92 (8)
C4—C5—C6—C	7	-0.31 (14)				

Symmetry codes: (i) -x+1, -y-1, -z+2.

## *Hydrogen-bond geometry* (Å, °)

D—H···A	<i>D</i> —Н	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	D—H··· $A$
C1—H1···O1 <sup>ii</sup>	0.928 (15)	2.383 (15)	3.2511 (13)	155.7 (13)
Symmetry codes: (ii) $-x-1/2$ , $y+1/2$ , $-z+3/2$ .				

Fig. 1



