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**(E)-2-(4-Chlorophenoxy)-N'-(pyridin-4-ylmethylidene)acetohydrazide**

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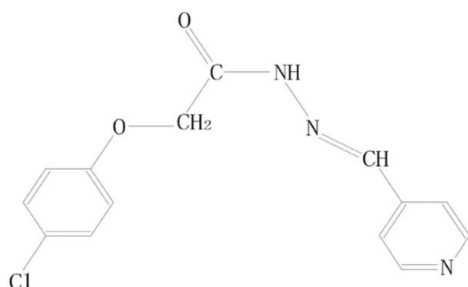
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 173$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.002$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.041;  $wR$  factor = 0.104; data-to-parameter ratio = 15.2.

In the title compound,  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{ClN}_3\text{O}_2$ , the acylhydrazone base  $[\text{C}(\text{=O})-\text{N}-\text{N}=\text{C}]$  is essentially planar, with an r.m.s. deviation of  $0.0095$  Å, and makes a dihedral angle of  $12.52$  ( $10$ )° with the pyridine ring. In the crystal, molecules are linked *via* pairs of  $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  hydrogen bonds, forming inversion dimers with an  $R_2^2(8)$  graph-set motif. The dimers are linked *via*  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\pi$  interactions forming chains along  $[101]$ .

## Related literature

For chemical properties of hydrazides, see: Narayana *et al.* (2005); Liu *et al.* (2006). For the synthesis and structure of ethyl(4-chlorophenoxy)acetate, see: Dutkiewicz *et al.* (2009). For graph-set motifs, see: Etter *et al.* (1990) and for classification of hydrogen bonds, see: Gilli & Gilli (2009).



## Experimental

## Crystal data

$\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{ClN}_3\text{O}_2$   
 $M_r = 289.72$   
 Monoclinic,  $P2_1/n$   
 $a = 13.059$  (4) Å

$b = 5.3567$  (16) Å  
 $c = 19.175$  (6) Å  
 $\beta = 104.586$  (5)°  
 $V = 1298.2$  (7) Å<sup>3</sup>

$Z = 4$   
 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 0.30$  mm<sup>-1</sup>

$T = 173$  K  
 $0.53 \times 0.21 \times 0.14$  mm

## Data collection

Bruker SMART APEX  
 diffractometer  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan  
 (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)  
 $T_{\text{min}} = 0.927$ ,  $T_{\text{max}} = 0.959$

7114 measured reflections  
 2796 independent reflections  
 2437 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.033$

## Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.041$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.104$   
 $S = 1.05$   
 2796 reflections  
 184 parameters

H atoms treated by a mixture of  
 independent and constrained  
 refinement  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.27$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.24$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

Cg2 is the centroid of the C3–C8 phenyl ring.

$D-\text{H}\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}$	$\text{H}\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}\cdots A$
$\text{N1}-\text{H1A}\cdots\text{O1}^i$	0.885 (19)	1.96 (2)	2.8423 (19)	172.9 (18)
$\text{C2}-\text{H2A}\cdots\text{Cg2}^{ii}$	0.97	2.88	3.676 (2)	140

Symmetry codes: (i)  $-x, -y + 3, -z$ ; (ii)  $-x + \frac{1}{2}, y + \frac{1}{2}, -z + \frac{1}{2}$ .

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 1999); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 1999); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 2008); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL.

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Supplementary data and figures for this paper are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: FB2275).

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## supplementary materials

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**(*E*)-2-(4-Chlorophenoxy)-*N'*-(pyridin-4-ylmethylidene)acetohydrazide****Xiao-jin Rao, Wen-Shi Wu, Chuan-hui Li and Yu-min Huang****Comment**

Hydrazides usually serve as precursors in the synthesis of several heterocyclic systems (Narayana *et al.*, 2005). Some substituted hydrazides are used as intermediates in many pharmaceutically important compounds (Liu *et al.*, 2006). A new hydrazide, (*E*)-2-(4-chlorophenoxy)-*N'*-(pyridin-4-ylmethylene)acetohydrazide, C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>ClO<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>, has been synthesized and its crystal structure is reported here (Fig. 1).

In the title molecule, the principal cohesion interactions are N—H···O hydrogen bonds of moderate strength (Gilli & Gilli, 2009) which link the molecules into a dimer with the graph-set motif (Etter *et al.*, 1990)  $R^2_2(8)$  (Tab. 1). Moreover, there are present C—H··· $\pi$ -electron ring interactions in the structure (Fig. 2). The acylhydrazone base is essentially planar with the r.m.s. deviation from planarity which equals to 0.0095 Å. The pyridine ring and the acylhydrazone base [C1(=O1)—N1—N2=C9] contain the angle 12.52 (10)°.

**Experimental**

The synthesis of the title structure proceeded in three steps.

First, concentrated H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> (98 weight %, 1.4 ml) was added slowly while stirring to a mixture of 4-chlorophenoxyacetic acid (11.2 g, 0.06 mol) in ethanol (99.7 volume %, 120 ml). The mixture was left to reflux for 6 h at 359 K. Then 34.2 ml of 98.5 weight % of tris(2-hydroxyethyl)amine (trolamine) were added dropwise into the mixture while stirring in order to neutralize the mixture. Then the ethanol in the mixture was removed by reduced pressure distillation (335 K, about 0.003 MPa). What has left was poured into 100 ml of water heated to 321 K. The white precipitate (12.21 g) of ethyl(4-chlorophenoxy)acetate was filtered and washed.

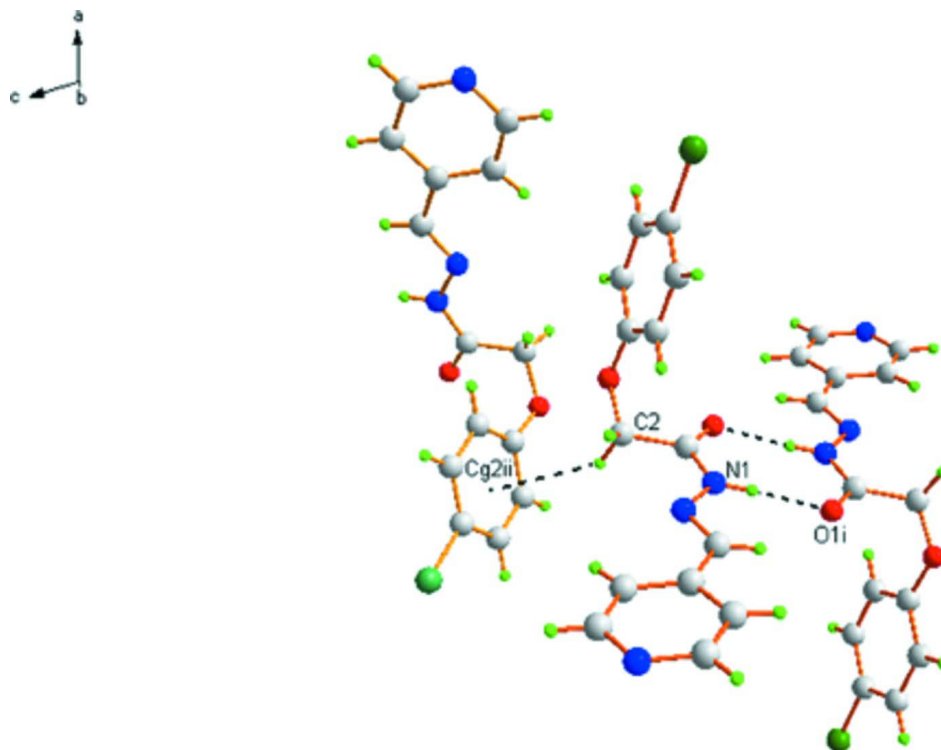
Second step consisted in the synthesis of 2-(4-chlorophenoxy)acetohydrazide. It was carried out according to the method applied by Dutkiewicz *et al.* (2009). A mixture of ethyl(4-chlorophenoxy)acetate (8.56 g, 0.04 mol) and 50 ml of hydrazine hydrate (85 weight %) was refluxed over water bath for 5 h at 365 K. The precipitate was filtered off and recrystallized from ethanol (99.7 volume %) yielding plate-like colourless crystals of 2-(4-chlorophenoxy)acetohydrazide.

Finally, the title compound was synthesized by adding 4-pyridinecarboxaldehyde (5 ml) slowly to a mixture of 2-(4-chlorophenoxy)acetohydrazide in ethanol (99.7 volume %, 20 ml) and water (15 ml) while stirring. Then the mixture was refluxed for 3.5 h at room temperature. Prismatic colourless crystals with the size about that of the used sample formed in 24 h.

**Refinement**

All the hydrogen atoms were identified in the difference electron density map, nevertheless the aryl and methylene H atoms were situated into idealized positions and constrained to ride on their parent atoms with C—H = 0.93 and 0.97 Å for aryl and methylene H atoms, respectively, with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}_{\text{aryl/methylene}}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C}_{\text{aryl/methylene}})$ . The positional parameters of



**Figure 2**

The hydrogen bonds in the title compound. Hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines. O1A is a symmetry equivalent to O1 transformed by  $x, -y + 3, -z$ . Cg2<sup>ii</sup> is a centroid of the phenyl ring C3\C4\C5\C6\C7\C8; symmetry code (ii):  $-x + 1/2, y + 1/2, -z + 1/2$ .

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$F(000) = 600$

$D_x = 1.482 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$

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Cell parameters from 3317 reflections

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$h = -16 \rightarrow 16$

$k = -6 \rightarrow 6$

$l = -24 \rightarrow 15$

Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$

Least-squares matrix: full

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$wR(F^2) = 0.104$

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184 parameters

0 restraints

45 constraints

Primary atom site location: structure-invariant  
direct methods

Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier  
map

Hydrogen site location: difference Fourier map

H atoms treated by a mixture of independent  
and constrained refinement

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.037P)^2 + 0.573P]$

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

$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$

$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.27 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.24 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

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.

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

	$x$	$y$	$z$	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
C1	0.07691 (12)	1.4108 (3)	0.10391 (8)	0.0216 (3)
C2	0.12993 (12)	1.3618 (3)	0.18254 (8)	0.0244 (3)
H2A	0.0959	1.4606	0.2127	0.029*
H2B	0.1224	1.1870	0.1934	0.029*
C3	0.29987 (12)	1.2712 (3)	0.16797 (8)	0.0210 (3)
C4	0.40322 (12)	1.3495 (3)	0.17631 (8)	0.0242 (3)
H4A	0.4260	1.4979	0.2004	0.029*
C5	0.47256 (13)	1.2089 (3)	0.14905 (9)	0.0269 (4)
H5A	0.5420	1.2616	0.1545	0.032*
C6	0.43774 (13)	0.9893 (3)	0.11357 (9)	0.0267 (4)
C7	0.33550 (13)	0.9090 (3)	0.10505 (8)	0.0262 (4)
H7A	0.3130	0.7607	0.0808	0.031*
C8	0.26625 (12)	1.0497 (3)	0.13270 (8)	0.0230 (3)
H8A	0.1971	0.9953	0.1276	0.028*
C9	-0.12003 (12)	0.9586 (3)	0.06945 (8)	0.0236 (3)
H9A	-0.1455	0.9987	0.0210	0.028*
C10	-0.28617 (13)	0.4072 (3)	0.08435 (9)	0.0287 (4)
H10A	-0.3333	0.3023	0.0532	0.034*
C11	-0.24060 (12)	0.5978 (3)	0.05463 (9)	0.0262 (4)
H11A	-0.2573	0.6204	0.0050	0.031*
C12	-0.16955 (12)	0.7556 (3)	0.09964 (8)	0.0231 (3)
C13	-0.14931 (14)	0.7123 (4)	0.17301 (9)	0.0326 (4)
H13A	-0.1027	0.8143	0.2054	0.039*
C14	-0.19892 (15)	0.5172 (4)	0.19725 (10)	0.0368 (4)
H14A	-0.1840	0.4903	0.2467	0.044*

Cl1	0.52572 (4)	0.80977 (9)	0.08079 (3)	0.04032 (16)
N1	-0.00592 (10)	1.2696 (3)	0.07166 (7)	0.0233 (3)
H1A	-0.0369 (15)	1.304 (4)	0.0261 (10)	0.028*
N2	-0.04318 (10)	1.0820 (3)	0.10753 (7)	0.0232 (3)
N3	-0.26732 (11)	0.3633 (3)	0.15439 (8)	0.0308 (3)
O1	0.10839 (9)	1.5774 (2)	0.07075 (6)	0.0277 (3)
O2	0.23832 (8)	1.4241 (2)	0.19755 (6)	0.0237 (3)

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

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
C1	0.0174 (7)	0.0246 (9)	0.0239 (7)	0.0029 (6)	0.0071 (6)	-0.0003 (6)
C2	0.0182 (7)	0.0337 (9)	0.0218 (7)	-0.0036 (7)	0.0060 (6)	-0.0021 (7)
C3	0.0208 (8)	0.0261 (8)	0.0147 (7)	-0.0005 (6)	0.0022 (6)	0.0038 (6)
C4	0.0219 (8)	0.0257 (9)	0.0233 (7)	-0.0037 (6)	0.0028 (6)	0.0009 (6)
C5	0.0187 (8)	0.0312 (9)	0.0307 (8)	-0.0020 (7)	0.0063 (6)	0.0073 (7)
C6	0.0253 (8)	0.0289 (9)	0.0274 (8)	0.0077 (7)	0.0095 (6)	0.0069 (7)
C7	0.0281 (8)	0.0244 (9)	0.0237 (8)	0.0006 (7)	0.0023 (6)	0.0009 (6)
C8	0.0187 (7)	0.0258 (9)	0.0224 (7)	-0.0021 (6)	0.0015 (6)	0.0040 (6)
C9	0.0200 (7)	0.0278 (9)	0.0228 (7)	0.0012 (6)	0.0048 (6)	0.0006 (6)
C10	0.0232 (8)	0.0305 (10)	0.0335 (9)	-0.0046 (7)	0.0093 (7)	-0.0074 (7)
C11	0.0225 (8)	0.0317 (10)	0.0251 (8)	-0.0006 (7)	0.0076 (6)	-0.0033 (7)
C12	0.0175 (7)	0.0260 (9)	0.0266 (8)	0.0004 (6)	0.0072 (6)	-0.0007 (6)
C13	0.0308 (9)	0.0391 (11)	0.0260 (8)	-0.0120 (8)	0.0036 (7)	-0.0024 (7)
C14	0.0384 (10)	0.0454 (12)	0.0269 (9)	-0.0093 (9)	0.0087 (7)	0.0041 (8)
Cl1	0.0365 (3)	0.0378 (3)	0.0524 (3)	0.0111 (2)	0.0219 (2)	0.0032 (2)
N1	0.0197 (7)	0.0277 (8)	0.0214 (7)	-0.0029 (6)	0.0032 (5)	0.0041 (6)
N2	0.0184 (6)	0.0262 (7)	0.0261 (7)	-0.0011 (5)	0.0074 (5)	0.0019 (5)
N3	0.0269 (7)	0.0316 (8)	0.0358 (8)	-0.0040 (6)	0.0115 (6)	0.0008 (6)
O1	0.0238 (6)	0.0315 (7)	0.0260 (6)	-0.0056 (5)	0.0029 (5)	0.0043 (5)
O2	0.0176 (5)	0.0304 (6)	0.0227 (5)	-0.0028 (5)	0.0042 (4)	-0.0048 (5)

Geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ )

C1—O1	1.2251 (19)	C8—H8A	0.9300
C1—N1	1.337 (2)	C9—N2	1.268 (2)
C1—C2	1.515 (2)	C9—C12	1.458 (2)
C2—O2	1.4117 (18)	C9—H9A	0.9300
C2—H2A	0.9700	C10—N3	1.324 (2)
C2—H2B	0.9700	C10—C11	1.376 (2)
C3—O2	1.3667 (19)	C10—H10A	0.9300
C3—C8	1.382 (2)	C11—C12	1.385 (2)
C3—C4	1.384 (2)	C11—H11A	0.9300
C4—C5	1.378 (2)	C12—C13	1.384 (2)
C4—H4A	0.9300	C13—C14	1.371 (3)
C5—C6	1.378 (3)	C13—H13A	0.9300
C5—H5A	0.9300	C14—N3	1.335 (2)
C6—C7	1.373 (2)	C14—H14A	0.9300
C6—Cl1	1.7331 (17)	N1—N2	1.3740 (19)
C7—C8	1.381 (2)	N1—H1A	0.885 (19)

C7—H7A	0.9300		
O1—C1—N1	120.66 (14)	C3—C8—H8A	120.1
O1—C1—C2	120.91 (14)	N2—C9—C12	121.74 (14)
N1—C1—C2	118.43 (14)	N2—C9—H9A	119.1
O2—C2—C1	110.20 (12)	C12—C9—H9A	119.1
O2—C2—H2A	109.6	N3—C10—C11	124.23 (16)
C1—C2—H2A	109.6	N3—C10—H10A	117.9
O2—C2—H2B	109.6	C11—C10—H10A	117.9
C1—C2—H2B	109.6	C10—C11—C12	119.14 (15)
H2A—C2—H2B	108.1	C10—C11—H11A	120.4
O2—C3—C8	124.76 (14)	C12—C11—H11A	120.4
O2—C3—C4	115.40 (14)	C13—C12—C11	117.25 (16)
C8—C3—C4	119.83 (15)	C13—C12—C9	122.58 (15)
C5—C4—C3	120.37 (16)	C11—C12—C9	120.17 (14)
C5—C4—H4A	119.8	C14—C13—C12	119.13 (16)
C3—C4—H4A	119.8	C14—C13—H13A	120.4
C6—C5—C4	119.18 (15)	C12—C13—H13A	120.4
C6—C5—H5A	120.4	N3—C14—C13	124.18 (16)
C4—C5—H5A	120.4	N3—C14—H14A	117.9
C7—C6—C5	121.09 (15)	C13—C14—H14A	117.9
C7—C6—C11	119.78 (14)	C1—N1—N2	121.96 (14)
C5—C6—C11	119.11 (13)	C1—N1—H1A	117.0 (12)
C6—C7—C8	119.65 (16)	N2—N1—H1A	121.1 (12)
C6—C7—H7A	120.2	C9—N2—N1	114.93 (14)
C8—C7—H7A	120.2	C10—N3—C14	116.08 (15)
C7—C8—C3	119.88 (15)	C3—O2—C2	115.99 (12)
C7—C8—H8A	120.1		
O1—C1—C2—O2	-30.5 (2)	N2—C9—C12—C13	11.5 (3)
N1—C1—C2—O2	150.25 (14)	N2—C9—C12—C11	-169.00 (16)
O2—C3—C4—C5	179.56 (13)	C11—C12—C13—C14	0.6 (3)
C8—C3—C4—C5	0.6 (2)	C9—C12—C13—C14	-179.92 (17)
C3—C4—C5—C6	-0.2 (2)	C12—C13—C14—N3	-0.4 (3)
C4—C5—C6—C7	0.0 (2)	O1—C1—N1—N2	-179.81 (14)
C4—C5—C6—C11	-178.81 (12)	C2—C1—N1—N2	-0.5 (2)
C5—C6—C7—C8	-0.3 (2)	C12—C9—N2—N1	-179.18 (14)
C11—C6—C7—C8	178.51 (12)	C1—N1—N2—C9	-177.82 (15)
C6—C7—C8—C3	0.7 (2)	C11—C10—N3—C14	-0.3 (3)
O2—C3—C8—C7	-179.75 (14)	C13—C14—N3—C10	0.3 (3)
C4—C3—C8—C7	-0.9 (2)	C8—C3—O2—C2	-8.0 (2)
N3—C10—C11—C12	0.5 (3)	C4—C3—O2—C2	173.13 (13)
C10—C11—C12—C13	-0.6 (2)	C1—C2—O2—C3	-69.79 (17)
C10—C11—C12—C9	179.86 (15)		

Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ )

Cg2 is the centroid of the C3—C8 phenyl ring.

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
N1—H1A $\cdots$ O1 <sup>i</sup>	0.885 (19)	1.96 (2)	2.8423 (19)	172.9 (18)

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C2—H2A...Cg2 <sup>ii</sup>	0.97	2.88	3.676 (2)	140
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Symmetry codes: (i)  $-x, -y+3, -z$ ; (ii)  $-x+1/2, y+1/2, -z+1/2$ .