

Crystal structure of 2-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)acrylonitrile

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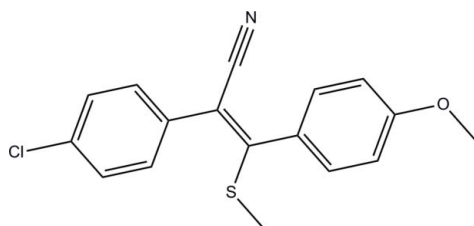
In the title compound, C₁₇H₁₄ClNOS, the aromatic rings are inclined to one another by 64.22 (9)°. The acrylonitrile group (C=C—C≡N) is planar to within 0.003 (2) Å, with the S atom and the methyl C atom displaced from this plane by 0.2317 (6) and −0.637 (2) Å, respectively. In the crystal, molecules are linked *via* pairs of C—H⋯π interactions, forming inversion dimers. There are no other significant intermolecular interactions present.

Keywords: crystal structure; acrylonitrile; C—H⋯π interactions; biological activity; pharmacological activity.

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1. Related literature

For the biological and pharmacological activities of acrylonitrile derivatives, see: Boëdec *et al.* (2008); Napolitano *et al.* (2001); Saczewski *et al.* (2004); Sommen *et al.* (2003). For related literature, see: Saufi & Ismail (2002); Urska *et al.* (2003).



2. Experimental

2.1. Crystal data

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|---------------------------------------|---|
| C ₁₇ H ₁₄ ClNOS | $V = 1542.00 (14) \text{ \AA}^3$ |
| $M_r = 315.81$ | $Z = 4$ |
| Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$ | Mo $K\alpha$ radiation |
| $a = 8.3060 (4) \text{ \AA}$ | $\mu = 0.38 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ |
| $b = 10.5048 (6) \text{ \AA}$ | $T = 293 \text{ K}$ |
| $c = 17.9795 (9) \text{ \AA}$ | $0.30 \times 0.25 \times 0.20 \text{ mm}$ |
| $\beta = 100.598 (5)^\circ$ | |

2.2. Data collection

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| Bruker APEXII CCD area-detector diffractometer | 3537 independent reflections |
| 6889 measured reflections | 2807 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ |
| | $R_{\text{int}} = 0.028$ |

2.3. Refinement

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| $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.046$ | 192 parameters |
| $wR(F^2) = 0.114$ | H-atom parameters constrained |
| $S = 1.04$ | $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.26 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$ |
| 3537 reflections | $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.26 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$ |

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

Cg1 is the centroid of the C1–C6 ring.

| $D-H\cdots A$ | $D-H$ | $H\cdots A$ | $D\cdots A$ | $D-H\cdots A$ |
|--------------------------|-------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| C15—H15⋯Cg1 ⁱ | 0.93 | 2.96 | 3.739 (2) | 142 |

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

Data collection: *APEX2* (Bruker, 2009); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2009); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *PLATON* (Spek, 2009); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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S1. Experimental

To a stirred suspension of NaH (0.45 g, 11.0 mmol, 60% suspension in oil) in dry THF (25 ml), a solution of (4-chlorophenyl)-acetonitrile (0.75 g, 5.0 mmol) and 4-methoxy-dithiobenzoic acid methyl ester (0.99 g, 5.0 mmol) in dry THF (50 ml) was added drop wise at 273 K under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 h. It was again cooled to 273 K and methyl iodide (1.42 g, 10 mmol) was added drop wise. The reaction mixture was further stirred at room temperature for 4 h and poured into ice cold water (25 ml). The aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3×10 ml). The combined organic extracts were washed with water (1×20 ml), brine (1×20 ml), and dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 . The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure to give a crude product which was purified by silica gel column using EtOAc:hexane as eluent. Colourless block-like crystals were grown by dissolving the product in absolute ethanol followed by slow evaporation at room temperature.

S2. Refinement

The C-bound H atoms were positioned geometrically and allowed to ride on their parent atoms: C–H = 0.93 - 0.96 Å, with $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.5U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ for methyl H atoms and = $1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ for other H atoms.

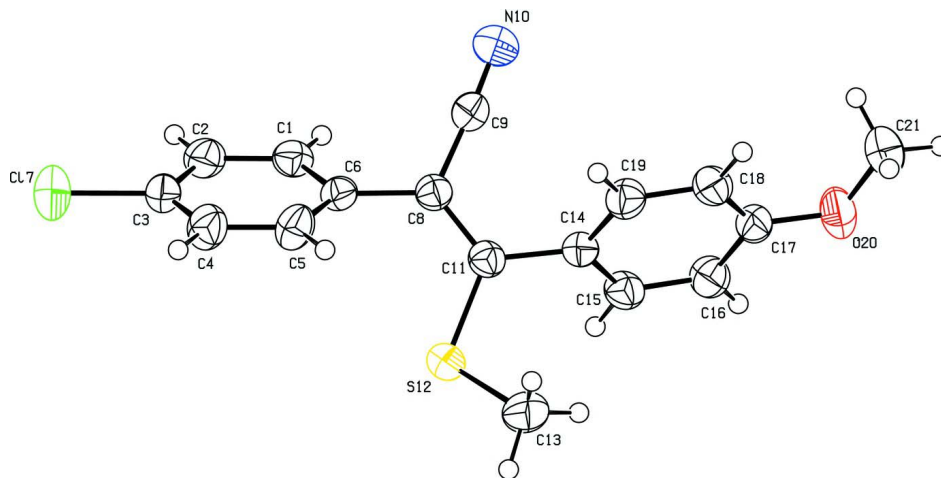
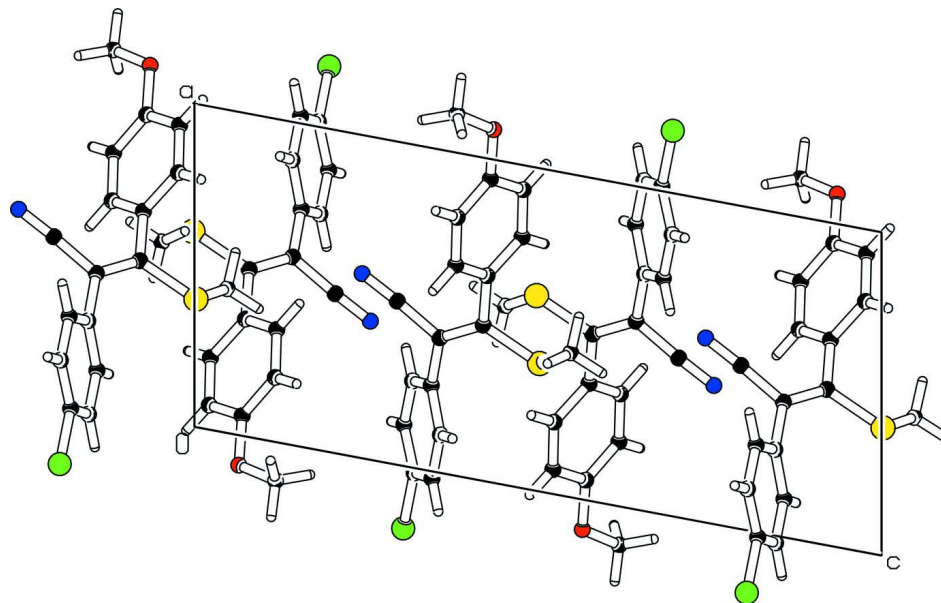


Figure 1

A view of the molecular structure of the title molecule, with atom labelling. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.

**Figure 2**

A view along the *b* axis of the crystal packing of the title compound.

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Crystal data

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$D_x = 1.360$ Mg m⁻³

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Cell parameters from 3537 reflections

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$R_{int} = 0.028$

$\theta_{max} = 27.5$ °, $\theta_{min} = 2.5$ °

$h = -10 \rightarrow 6$

$k = -13 \rightarrow 5$

$l = -23 \rightarrow 23$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2

Least-squares matrix: full

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.046$

$wR(F^2) = 0.114$

$S = 1.04$

3537 reflections

192 parameters

0 restraints

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

$$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.045P)^2 + 0.3209P]$$

where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$

$$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.26 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$$

$$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.26 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$$

Special details

Geometry. Bond distances, angles *etc.* have been calculated using the rounded fractional coordinates. All su's are estimated from the variances of the (full) variance-covariance matrix. The cell e.s.d.'s are taken into account in the estimation of distances, angles and torsion angles

Refinement. Refinement on F^2 for ALL reflections except those flagged by the user for potential systematic errors. Weighted R -factors wR and all goodnesses 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 observed criterion of $F^2 > \sigma(F^2)$ is used only for calculating $-R$ -factor-obs *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 (\AA^2)

| | <i>x</i> | <i>y</i> | <i>z</i> | $U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$ |
|------|--------------|--------------|---------------|----------------------------------|
| Cl7 | -0.19319 (7) | 1.21573 (7) | -0.19619 (4) | 0.0708 (2) |
| S12 | 0.39592 (6) | 0.84311 (6) | 0.00222 (3) | 0.0463 (2) |
| O20 | 1.09261 (17) | 0.59095 (16) | -0.06455 (9) | 0.0603 (6) |
| N10 | 0.5710 (2) | 0.9039 (2) | -0.25595 (10) | 0.0575 (7) |
| C1 | 0.2687 (2) | 1.09961 (19) | -0.18246 (10) | 0.0396 (6) |
| C2 | 0.1284 (2) | 1.1742 (2) | -0.19521 (11) | 0.0463 (6) |
| C3 | -0.0153 (2) | 1.1236 (2) | -0.18024 (11) | 0.0441 (6) |
| C4 | -0.0223 (2) | 1.0011 (2) | -0.15428 (12) | 0.0496 (7) |
| C5 | 0.1178 (2) | 0.9272 (2) | -0.14196 (11) | 0.0452 (6) |
| C6 | 0.2658 (2) | 0.97624 (18) | -0.15536 (9) | 0.0347 (5) |
| C8 | 0.4179 (2) | 0.89756 (18) | -0.14288 (10) | 0.0346 (5) |
| C9 | 0.5065 (2) | 0.8996 (2) | -0.20479 (10) | 0.0401 (6) |
| C11 | 0.4820 (2) | 0.83108 (18) | -0.07963 (10) | 0.0353 (5) |
| C13 | 0.4464 (3) | 0.6919 (2) | 0.04764 (12) | 0.0570 (8) |
| C14 | 0.6374 (2) | 0.75884 (19) | -0.07423 (10) | 0.0350 (5) |
| C15 | 0.7767 (2) | 0.7996 (2) | -0.02329 (10) | 0.0402 (6) |
| C16 | 0.9244 (2) | 0.7402 (2) | -0.02164 (11) | 0.0443 (6) |
| C17 | 0.9379 (2) | 0.6388 (2) | -0.06941 (11) | 0.0406 (6) |
| C18 | 0.8005 (2) | 0.5942 (2) | -0.11771 (11) | 0.0441 (6) |
| C19 | 0.6513 (2) | 0.6553 (2) | -0.11980 (11) | 0.0429 (6) |
| C21 | 1.1194 (3) | 0.4982 (3) | -0.11813 (15) | 0.0742 (10) |
| H1 | 0.36640 | 1.13300 | -0.19230 | 0.0470* |
| H2 | 0.13140 | 1.25680 | -0.21350 | 0.0550* |
| H4 | -0.12060 | 0.96800 | -0.14510 | 0.0600* |
| H5 | 0.11330 | 0.84410 | -0.12460 | 0.0540* |
| H13A | 0.40050 | 0.62460 | 0.01420 | 0.0860* |
| H13B | 0.40220 | 0.68780 | 0.09330 | 0.0860* |
| H13C | 0.56320 | 0.68250 | 0.05960 | 0.0860* |
| H15 | 0.76880 | 0.86710 | 0.00940 | 0.0480* |
| H16 | 1.01650 | 0.76820 | 0.01190 | 0.0530* |
| H18 | 0.80790 | 0.52400 | -0.14840 | 0.0530* |
| H19 | 0.55900 | 0.62580 | -0.15260 | 0.0520* |

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|------|---------|---------|----------|---------|
| H21A | 1.06080 | 0.42180 | -0.11070 | 0.1110* |
| H21B | 1.23430 | 0.47980 | -0.11170 | 0.1110* |
| H21C | 1.08110 | 0.53000 | -0.16830 | 0.1110* |

Atomic displacement parameters (Å²)

| | U^{11} | U^{22} | U^{33} | U^{12} | U^{13} | U^{23} |
|-----|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| C17 | 0.0571 (3) | 0.0760 (5) | 0.0789 (4) | 0.0308 (3) | 0.0114 (3) | 0.0093 (4) |
| S12 | 0.0507 (3) | 0.0523 (3) | 0.0385 (3) | 0.0136 (2) | 0.0150 (2) | 0.0035 (2) |
| O20 | 0.0451 (8) | 0.0666 (11) | 0.0699 (10) | 0.0192 (7) | 0.0125 (7) | -0.0035 (9) |
| N10 | 0.0579 (11) | 0.0707 (14) | 0.0479 (10) | 0.0082 (10) | 0.0199 (8) | 0.0068 (10) |
| C1 | 0.0436 (10) | 0.0401 (11) | 0.0362 (9) | -0.0011 (8) | 0.0104 (8) | 0.0014 (9) |
| C2 | 0.0594 (12) | 0.0383 (11) | 0.0421 (10) | 0.0073 (9) | 0.0120 (9) | 0.0045 (9) |
| C3 | 0.0447 (10) | 0.0491 (12) | 0.0376 (10) | 0.0149 (9) | 0.0049 (8) | -0.0006 (9) |
| C4 | 0.0348 (9) | 0.0585 (14) | 0.0548 (12) | 0.0010 (9) | 0.0065 (8) | 0.0081 (11) |
| C5 | 0.0393 (10) | 0.0412 (12) | 0.0532 (11) | -0.0006 (8) | 0.0033 (8) | 0.0103 (10) |
| C6 | 0.0369 (9) | 0.0369 (10) | 0.0293 (8) | 0.0019 (8) | 0.0033 (7) | -0.0004 (8) |
| C8 | 0.0344 (9) | 0.0353 (10) | 0.0336 (9) | -0.0007 (7) | 0.0051 (7) | -0.0027 (8) |
| C9 | 0.0374 (9) | 0.0437 (12) | 0.0377 (10) | 0.0035 (8) | 0.0033 (8) | 0.0013 (9) |
| C11 | 0.0360 (9) | 0.0346 (10) | 0.0351 (9) | -0.0002 (7) | 0.0064 (7) | -0.0039 (8) |
| C13 | 0.0608 (13) | 0.0651 (16) | 0.0479 (12) | 0.0059 (11) | 0.0171 (10) | 0.0161 (11) |
| C14 | 0.0368 (9) | 0.0365 (10) | 0.0321 (8) | 0.0022 (7) | 0.0078 (7) | 0.0015 (8) |
| C15 | 0.0423 (10) | 0.0408 (11) | 0.0370 (9) | -0.0008 (8) | 0.0063 (8) | -0.0078 (9) |
| C16 | 0.0358 (9) | 0.0521 (13) | 0.0437 (10) | -0.0014 (9) | 0.0036 (8) | -0.0044 (10) |
| C17 | 0.0405 (10) | 0.0420 (12) | 0.0409 (10) | 0.0071 (8) | 0.0118 (8) | 0.0077 (9) |
| C18 | 0.0552 (11) | 0.0366 (11) | 0.0405 (10) | 0.0078 (9) | 0.0091 (9) | -0.0052 (9) |
| C19 | 0.0434 (10) | 0.0434 (12) | 0.0396 (10) | 0.0022 (9) | 0.0013 (8) | -0.0049 (9) |
| C21 | 0.0776 (17) | 0.0797 (19) | 0.0691 (15) | 0.0403 (15) | 0.0239 (13) | 0.0036 (15) |

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

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|---------|-------------|----------|-----------|
| C17—C3 | 1.745 (2) | C15—C16 | 1.372 (3) |
| S12—C11 | 1.7550 (18) | C16—C17 | 1.386 (3) |
| S12—C13 | 1.800 (2) | C17—C18 | 1.383 (3) |
| O20—C17 | 1.368 (2) | C18—C19 | 1.390 (3) |
| O20—C21 | 1.416 (3) | C1—H1 | 0.9300 |
| N10—C9 | 1.147 (2) | C2—H2 | 0.9300 |
| C1—C2 | 1.388 (3) | C4—H4 | 0.9300 |
| C1—C6 | 1.386 (3) | C5—H5 | 0.9300 |
| C2—C3 | 1.378 (3) | C13—H13A | 0.9600 |
| C3—C4 | 1.374 (3) | C13—H13B | 0.9600 |
| C4—C5 | 1.382 (3) | C13—H13C | 0.9600 |
| C5—C6 | 1.394 (2) | C15—H15 | 0.9300 |
| C6—C8 | 1.492 (2) | C16—H16 | 0.9300 |
| C8—C9 | 1.443 (2) | C18—H18 | 0.9300 |
| C8—C11 | 1.357 (3) | C19—H19 | 0.9300 |
| C11—C14 | 1.485 (2) | C21—H21A | 0.9600 |
| C14—C15 | 1.404 (2) | C21—H21B | 0.9600 |

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| C14—C19 | 1.379 (3) | C21—H21C | 0.9600 |
| C11—S12—C13 | 102.71 (10) | C2—C1—H1 | 119.00 |
| C17—O20—C21 | 118.21 (17) | C6—C1—H1 | 119.00 |
| C2—C1—C6 | 121.16 (16) | C1—C2—H2 | 121.00 |
| C1—C2—C3 | 118.77 (19) | C3—C2—H2 | 121.00 |
| C17—C3—C2 | 119.45 (16) | C3—C4—H4 | 120.00 |
| C17—C3—C4 | 119.20 (14) | C5—C4—H4 | 120.00 |
| C2—C3—C4 | 121.34 (17) | C4—C5—H5 | 120.00 |
| C3—C4—C5 | 119.57 (17) | C6—C5—H5 | 120.00 |
| C4—C5—C6 | 120.52 (19) | S12—C13—H13A | 109.00 |
| C1—C6—C5 | 118.62 (17) | S12—C13—H13B | 109.00 |
| C1—C6—C8 | 120.12 (15) | S12—C13—H13C | 110.00 |
| C5—C6—C8 | 121.24 (17) | H13A—C13—H13B | 109.00 |
| C6—C8—C9 | 114.44 (15) | H13A—C13—H13C | 109.00 |
| C6—C8—C11 | 127.02 (16) | H13B—C13—H13C | 109.00 |
| C9—C8—C11 | 118.48 (16) | C14—C15—H15 | 120.00 |
| N10—C9—C8 | 176.9 (2) | C16—C15—H15 | 120.00 |
| S12—C11—C8 | 120.54 (14) | C15—C16—H16 | 120.00 |
| S12—C11—C14 | 117.73 (13) | C17—C16—H16 | 120.00 |
| C8—C11—C14 | 121.34 (16) | C17—C18—H18 | 120.00 |
| C11—C14—C15 | 119.27 (17) | C19—C18—H18 | 120.00 |
| C11—C14—C19 | 122.06 (16) | C14—C19—H19 | 119.00 |
| C15—C14—C19 | 118.62 (16) | C18—C19—H19 | 119.00 |
| C14—C15—C16 | 120.12 (18) | O20—C21—H21A | 109.00 |
| C15—C16—C17 | 120.68 (17) | O20—C21—H21B | 110.00 |
| O20—C17—C16 | 115.16 (16) | O20—C21—H21C | 109.00 |
| O20—C17—C18 | 124.96 (18) | H21A—C21—H21B | 109.00 |
| C16—C17—C18 | 119.88 (17) | H21A—C21—H21C | 109.00 |
| C17—C18—C19 | 119.30 (19) | H21B—C21—H21C | 109.00 |
| C14—C19—C18 | 121.31 (17) | | |
| C13—S12—C11—C8 | 152.50 (16) | C9—C8—C11—S12 | 170.97 (14) |
| C13—S12—C11—C14 | -34.67 (17) | C9—C8—C11—C14 | -1.6 (3) |
| C21—O20—C17—C18 | 7.3 (3) | C6—C8—C11—S12 | -5.9 (3) |
| C21—O20—C17—C16 | -172.2 (2) | C6—C8—C11—C14 | -178.51 (17) |
| C2—C1—C6—C8 | 179.37 (17) | S12—C11—C14—C15 | -60.3 (2) |
| C2—C1—C6—C5 | 0.9 (3) | C8—C11—C14—C19 | -65.1 (3) |
| C6—C1—C2—C3 | 0.2 (3) | S12—C11—C14—C19 | 122.17 (18) |
| C1—C2—C3—C17 | -179.80 (15) | C8—C11—C14—C15 | 112.5 (2) |
| C1—C2—C3—C4 | -1.0 (3) | C11—C14—C19—C18 | 175.46 (18) |
| C2—C3—C4—C5 | 0.8 (3) | C15—C14—C19—C18 | -2.1 (3) |
| C17—C3—C4—C5 | 179.59 (16) | C11—C14—C15—C16 | -174.94 (18) |
| C3—C4—C5—C6 | 0.3 (3) | C19—C14—C15—C16 | 2.7 (3) |
| C4—C5—C6—C8 | -179.57 (18) | C14—C15—C16—C17 | -0.7 (3) |
| C4—C5—C6—C1 | -1.1 (3) | C15—C16—C17—C18 | -2.0 (3) |
| C1—C6—C8—C9 | -47.0 (2) | C15—C16—C17—O20 | 177.50 (18) |
| C5—C6—C8—C11 | -51.5 (3) | O20—C17—C18—C19 | -176.86 (19) |

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|--------------|-------------|-----------------|----------|
| C1—C6—C8—C11 | 130.0 (2) | C16—C17—C18—C19 | 2.6 (3) |
| C5—C6—C8—C9 | 131.45 (18) | C17—C18—C19—C14 | -0.5 (3) |

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

Cg1 is the centroid of the C1–C6 ring.

| <i>D</i> —H... <i>A</i> | <i>D</i> —H | H... <i>A</i> | <i>D</i> ... <i>A</i> | <i>D</i> —H... <i>A</i> |
|----------------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| C15—H15...Cg1 ⁱ | 0.93 | 2.96 | 3.739 (2) | 142 |

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