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# 4-Methoxy-*N'*-(2-methoxynaphthylidene)benzohydrazide

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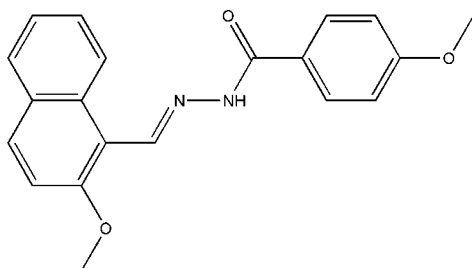
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 Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 298$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.004$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.056;  $wR$  factor = 0.149; data-to-parameter ratio = 14.9.

The molecule of the title Schiff base compound,  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$ , prepared by the reaction of 2-methoxy-1-naphthylaldehyde and 4-methoxybenzohydrazide, exists in a *trans* configuration with respect to the imine group. The naphthyl ring system makes a dihedral angle of  $71.4(2)^\circ$  with the mean plane of the benzene ring. In the crystal structure, molecules are linked into one-dimensional chains parallel to the  $c$  axis by intermolecular  $\text{N}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  hydrogen bonds.

## Related literature

For the biological properties of hydrazone derivatives, see: Bedia *et al.* (2006); Rollas *et al.* (2002); Fun *et al.* (2008). For our previous reports of hydrazones, see: Qiu, Fang *et al.* (2006); Qiu, Luo *et al.* (2006a,b); Qiu, Xu *et al.* (2006). For related structures, see: Singh *et al.* (2007); Narayana *et al.* (2007); Cui *et al.* (2007); Diao *et al.* (2008).



## Experimental

### Crystal data

$\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$   
 $M_r = 334.36$   
 Monoclinic,  $P2_1/c$   
 $a = 11.675(3)$  Å  
 $b = 17.937(4)$  Å  
 $c = 8.508(3)$  Å  
 $\beta = 110.288(3)^\circ$

$V = 1671.2(8)$  Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 4$   
 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 0.09$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 298(2)$  K  
 $0.20 \times 0.20 \times 0.18$  mm

### Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD diffractometer  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SADABS*; Sheldrick, 1996)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.982$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.984$

9333 measured reflections  
 3445 independent reflections  
 1657 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.048$

### Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.055$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.148$   
 $S = 0.97$   
 3445 reflections  
 231 parameters  
 1 restraint

H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement  
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.17$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.18$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

**Table 1**

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
$\text{N2}-\text{H2}\cdots\text{O2}^i$	0.895 (10)	2.084 (12)	2.965 (3)	167 (2)

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

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2001); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2001); 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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## 4-Methoxy-*N'*-(2-methoxynaphthylidene)benzohydrazide

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### S1. Comment

Hydrazone compounds, which are derived from the reaction of aldehydes with hydrazides, have been widely studied due to their excellent biological properties (Bedia *et al.*, 2006; Rollas *et al.*, 2002; Fun *et al.*, 2008). Recently, we have reported a few Schiff hydrazone compounds (Qiu, Fang *et al.*, 2006; Qiu, Luo *et al.*, 2006*a*, 2006*b*; Qiu, Xu *et al.*, 2006), we report herein the crystal structure of the title new compound, (I).

The molecule of (I), Fig. 1, exists in a *trans* configuration with respect to the methyldene group. The naphthyl ring makes a dihedral angle of 71.4 (2)° with the mean plane of the benzene ring. The bond lengths and angles in (I) are found to have normal values and comparable to the values in similar compounds (Singh *et al.*, 2007; Narayana *et al.*, 2007; Cui *et al.*, 2007; Diao *et al.*, 2008).

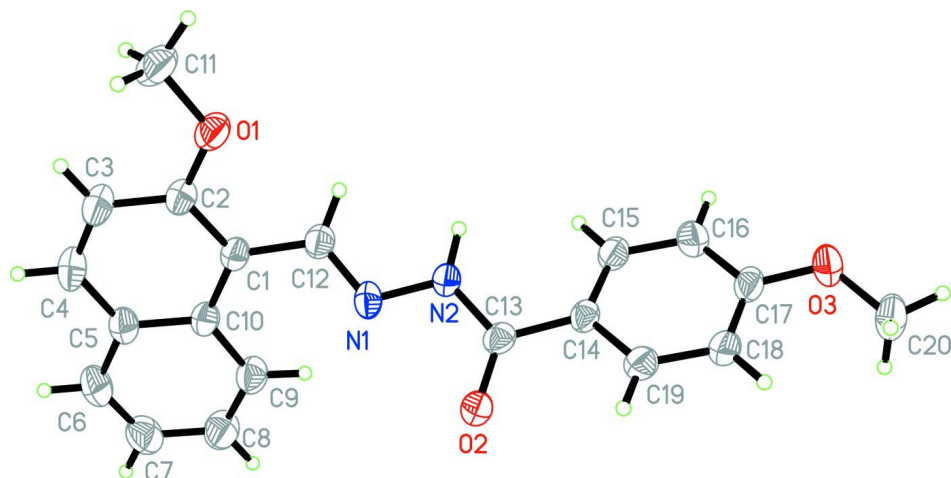
In the crystal structure, molecules are linked into one-dimensional chains parallel to the *c* axis by intermolecular N—H···O hydrogen bonds (Table 1 and Fig. 2).

### S2. Experimental

The title compound was prepared by the Schiff base condensation of equimolar (0.5 mmol each) 2-methoxy-1-naphthylaldehyde and 4-methoxybenzohydrazide in methanol (20 ml). Excess methanol was removed from the reaction mixture with distillation. The colourless solid was filtered and dried in air. Colourless block-shaped crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction were obtained from a methanol solution.

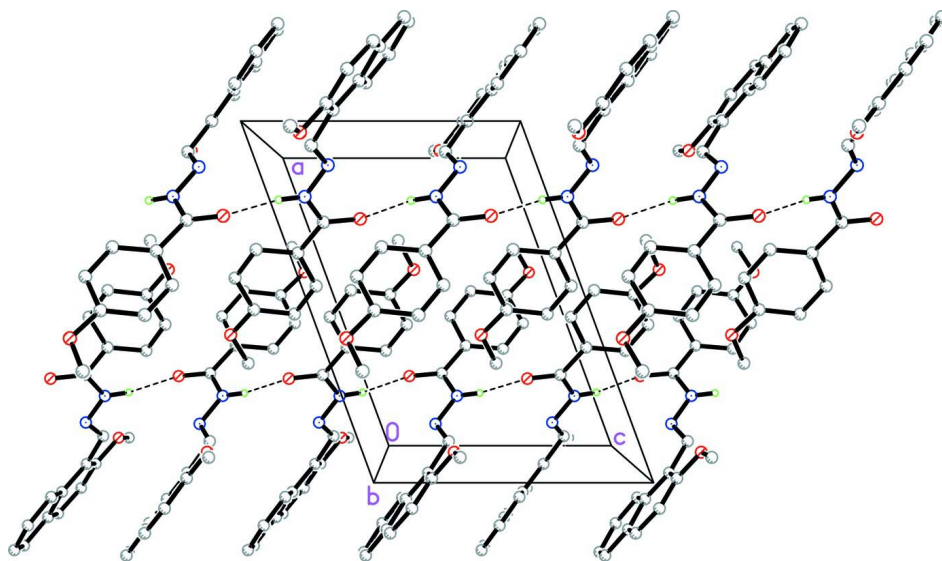
### S3. Refinement

The imino H atom was located in a difference map and refined with N—H distance restrained to 0.90 (1) Å. The remaining H atoms were positioned geometrically [C—H = 0.93–0.96 Å] and refined using a riding model, with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$  and  $1.5U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C}_{\text{methyl}})$ . Rigid rotating group models were used for the methyl groups.



**Figure 1**

The molecular structure of (I), with atom labels and 30% probability displacement ellipsoids for non-H atoms.



**Figure 2**

The crystal packing of (I), viewed along the *b* axis.

(I)

*Crystal data*

$C_{20}H_{18}N_2O_3$

$M_r = 334.36$

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Hall symbol: -P 2ybc

$a = 11.675 (3) \text{ \AA}$

$b = 17.937 (4) \text{ \AA}$

$c = 8.508 (3) \text{ \AA}$

$\beta = 110.288 (3)^\circ$

$V = 1671.2 (8) \text{ \AA}^3$

$Z = 4$

$F(000) = 704$

$D_x = 1.329 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$

Cell parameters from 1254 reflections

$\theta = 2.5\text{--}24.5^\circ$

$\mu = 0.09 \text{ mm}^{-1}$

$T = 298 \text{ K}$

Block, colourless

$0.20 \times 0.20 \times 0.18 \text{ mm}$

*Data collection*

Bruker SMART CCD  
diffractometer  
Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube  
Graphite monochromator  
 $\omega$  scans  
Absorption correction: multi-scan  
(*SADABS*; Sheldrick, 1996)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.982$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.984$

9333 measured reflections  
3445 independent reflections  
1657 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.048$   
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 26.6^\circ$ ,  $\theta_{\text{min}} = 1.9^\circ$   
 $h = -14 \rightarrow 14$   
 $k = -22 \rightarrow 18$   
 $l = -10 \rightarrow 10$

*Refinement*

Refinement on  $F^2$   
Least-squares matrix: full  
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.055$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.148$   
 $S = 0.97$   
3445 reflections  
231 parameters  
1 restraint  
0 constraints  
Primary atom site location: structure-invariant  
direct methods

Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier  
map  
Hydrogen site location: inferred from  
neighbouring sites  
H atoms treated by a mixture of independent  
and constrained refinement  
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0631P)^2]$   
where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.17 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.18 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

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

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
O1	0.02930 (16)	0.01580 (9)	0.8049 (2)	0.0725 (6)
O2	0.25127 (15)	0.32586 (9)	0.7183 (2)	0.0629 (5)
O3	0.60192 (18)	0.45464 (11)	1.4125 (2)	0.0838 (6)
N1	0.10006 (17)	0.22371 (11)	0.7604 (3)	0.0547 (6)
N2	0.18996 (18)	0.25413 (11)	0.8945 (3)	0.0535 (6)
C1	-0.0487 (2)	0.12593 (13)	0.6609 (3)	0.0492 (6)
C2	-0.0564 (2)	0.04936 (14)	0.6724 (3)	0.0559 (7)
C3	-0.1458 (3)	0.00788 (16)	0.5506 (4)	0.0722 (8)
H3	-0.1477	-0.0438	0.5591	0.087*
C4	-0.2290 (3)	0.04341 (17)	0.4209 (4)	0.0762 (9)
H4	-0.2878	0.0154	0.3407	0.091*
C5	-0.2297 (2)	0.12115 (16)	0.4033 (3)	0.0597 (7)
C6	-0.3197 (3)	0.15768 (19)	0.2698 (4)	0.0765 (9)
H6	-0.3786	0.1295	0.1899	0.092*
C7	-0.3220 (3)	0.2322 (2)	0.2562 (4)	0.0818 (9)
H7	-0.3827	0.2553	0.1684	0.098*
C8	-0.2336 (3)	0.27484 (17)	0.3731 (4)	0.0790 (9)
H8	-0.2356	0.3265	0.3630	0.095*
C9	-0.1444 (2)	0.24203 (15)	0.5021 (4)	0.0662 (8)
H9	-0.0859	0.2718	0.5782	0.079*
C10	-0.1381 (2)	0.16348 (13)	0.5239 (3)	0.0504 (6)
C11	0.0218 (3)	-0.06329 (14)	0.8242 (4)	0.0882 (10)
H11A	-0.0584	-0.0761	0.8227	0.132*
H11B	0.0813	-0.0785	0.9290	0.132*
H11C	0.0374	-0.0883	0.7339	0.132*

C12	0.0490 (2)	0.16441 (13)	0.7918 (3)	0.0542 (7)
H12	0.0751	0.1457	0.9005	0.065*
C13	0.2622 (2)	0.30763 (13)	0.8640 (4)	0.0504 (6)
C14	0.3530 (2)	0.34273 (12)	1.0105 (3)	0.0486 (6)
C15	0.3425 (2)	0.34574 (13)	1.1687 (3)	0.0562 (7)
H15	0.2768	0.3225	1.1866	0.067*
C16	0.4276 (3)	0.38248 (15)	1.2979 (3)	0.0658 (8)
H16	0.4194	0.3830	1.4028	0.079*
C17	0.5237 (2)	0.41823 (13)	1.2766 (4)	0.0612 (8)
C18	0.5369 (2)	0.41555 (15)	1.1216 (4)	0.0670 (8)
H18	0.6028	0.4390	1.1050	0.080*
C19	0.4517 (2)	0.37779 (14)	0.9909 (3)	0.0593 (7)
H19	0.4617	0.3761	0.8872	0.071*
C20	0.6915 (3)	0.50102 (18)	1.3936 (4)	0.1010 (12)
H20A	0.7404	0.4736	1.3433	0.151*
H20B	0.7423	0.5192	1.5014	0.151*
H20C	0.6536	0.5424	1.3230	0.151*
H2	0.200 (2)	0.2348 (14)	0.9956 (19)	0.080*

*Atomic displacement parameters (Å<sup>2</sup>)*

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
O1	0.0747 (13)	0.0456 (11)	0.0843 (15)	-0.0046 (9)	0.0111 (11)	0.0043 (10)
O2	0.0651 (12)	0.0541 (11)	0.0604 (13)	-0.0120 (8)	0.0104 (10)	0.0021 (9)
O3	0.0788 (14)	0.0771 (13)	0.0713 (14)	-0.0238 (11)	-0.0047 (11)	-0.0070 (11)
N1	0.0450 (12)	0.0532 (13)	0.0577 (14)	-0.0072 (10)	0.0072 (11)	-0.0104 (11)
N2	0.0515 (12)	0.0488 (13)	0.0524 (14)	-0.0103 (10)	0.0083 (11)	-0.0016 (11)
C1	0.0468 (15)	0.0476 (15)	0.0547 (17)	-0.0081 (12)	0.0193 (13)	-0.0066 (13)
C2	0.0513 (16)	0.0502 (16)	0.0646 (19)	-0.0060 (13)	0.0181 (15)	-0.0040 (14)
C3	0.0683 (19)	0.0537 (17)	0.089 (2)	-0.0161 (15)	0.0197 (18)	-0.0126 (16)
C4	0.068 (2)	0.069 (2)	0.081 (2)	-0.0206 (16)	0.0136 (18)	-0.0232 (17)
C5	0.0531 (17)	0.0646 (18)	0.0578 (18)	-0.0094 (14)	0.0146 (14)	-0.0110 (15)
C6	0.0603 (19)	0.094 (3)	0.063 (2)	-0.0087 (17)	0.0059 (15)	-0.0136 (18)
C7	0.070 (2)	0.092 (3)	0.069 (2)	0.0049 (18)	0.0060 (17)	0.0046 (19)
C8	0.0643 (19)	0.0676 (19)	0.090 (2)	0.0006 (16)	0.0075 (18)	0.0054 (17)
C9	0.0542 (17)	0.0577 (18)	0.075 (2)	-0.0040 (13)	0.0078 (15)	-0.0026 (15)
C10	0.0438 (14)	0.0504 (15)	0.0572 (17)	-0.0056 (12)	0.0177 (13)	-0.0069 (13)
C11	0.103 (3)	0.0471 (18)	0.109 (3)	-0.0049 (16)	0.030 (2)	0.0073 (17)
C12	0.0488 (15)	0.0477 (15)	0.0603 (17)	-0.0032 (12)	0.0115 (13)	-0.0016 (13)
C13	0.0508 (15)	0.0391 (14)	0.0590 (18)	0.0021 (12)	0.0160 (14)	0.0056 (13)
C14	0.0418 (14)	0.0382 (13)	0.0590 (18)	-0.0006 (11)	0.0090 (13)	0.0026 (12)
C15	0.0526 (15)	0.0515 (16)	0.0634 (19)	-0.0078 (12)	0.0188 (14)	0.0006 (14)
C16	0.0723 (19)	0.0597 (17)	0.0570 (18)	-0.0077 (15)	0.0117 (16)	-0.0060 (14)
C17	0.0516 (17)	0.0424 (15)	0.073 (2)	-0.0052 (12)	0.0000 (15)	0.0074 (14)
C18	0.0535 (17)	0.0699 (19)	0.068 (2)	-0.0162 (14)	0.0087 (15)	0.0117 (16)
C19	0.0534 (16)	0.0616 (16)	0.0616 (18)	-0.0061 (13)	0.0181 (14)	0.0078 (14)
C20	0.085 (2)	0.083 (2)	0.104 (3)	-0.0336 (19)	-0.006 (2)	-0.001 (2)

*Geometric parameters (Å, °)*

O1—C2	1.361 (3)	C8—C9	1.358 (4)
O1—C11	1.434 (3)	C8—H8	0.9300
O2—C13	1.245 (3)	C9—C10	1.420 (3)
O3—C17	1.366 (3)	C9—H9	0.9300
O3—C20	1.388 (3)	C11—H11A	0.9600
N1—C12	1.292 (3)	C11—H11B	0.9600
N1—N2	1.368 (3)	C11—H11C	0.9600
N2—C13	1.361 (3)	C12—H12	0.9300
N2—H2	0.895 (10)	C13—C14	1.470 (3)
C1—C2	1.382 (3)	C14—C19	1.372 (3)
C1—C10	1.434 (3)	C14—C15	1.395 (3)
C1—C12	1.462 (3)	C15—C16	1.368 (3)
C2—C3	1.402 (4)	C15—H15	0.9300
C3—C4	1.351 (4)	C16—C17	1.358 (3)
C3—H3	0.9300	C16—H16	0.9300
C4—C5	1.402 (4)	C17—C18	1.381 (4)
C4—H4	0.9300	C18—C19	1.384 (3)
C5—C6	1.413 (4)	C18—H18	0.9300
C5—C10	1.419 (3)	C19—H19	0.9300
C6—C7	1.341 (4)	C20—H20A	0.9600
C6—H6	0.9300	C20—H20B	0.9600
C7—C8	1.388 (4)	C20—H20C	0.9600
C7—H7	0.9300		
C2—O1—C11	118.4 (2)	O1—C11—H11A	109.5
C17—O3—C20	119.9 (3)	O1—C11—H11B	109.5
C12—N1—N2	115.6 (2)	H11A—C11—H11B	109.5
C13—N2—N1	118.0 (2)	O1—C11—H11C	109.5
C13—N2—H2	124.7 (18)	H11A—C11—H11C	109.5
N1—N2—H2	117.2 (18)	H11B—C11—H11C	109.5
C2—C1—C10	118.5 (2)	N1—C12—C1	121.7 (2)
C2—C1—C12	117.9 (2)	N1—C12—H12	119.2
C10—C1—C12	123.6 (2)	C1—C12—H12	119.2
O1—C2—C1	116.8 (2)	O2—C13—N2	121.3 (2)
O1—C2—C3	121.5 (2)	O2—C13—C14	121.8 (2)
C1—C2—C3	121.7 (3)	N2—C13—C14	116.9 (2)
C4—C3—C2	119.6 (3)	C19—C14—C15	117.3 (2)
C4—C3—H3	120.2	C19—C14—C13	118.9 (2)
C2—C3—H3	120.2	C15—C14—C13	123.8 (2)
C3—C4—C5	122.2 (3)	C16—C15—C14	120.7 (2)
C3—C4—H4	118.9	C16—C15—H15	119.6
C5—C4—H4	118.9	C14—C15—H15	119.6
C4—C5—C6	121.5 (3)	C17—C16—C15	121.6 (3)
C4—C5—C10	118.7 (3)	C17—C16—H16	119.2
C6—C5—C10	119.8 (3)	C15—C16—H16	119.2
C7—C6—C5	121.3 (3)	C16—C17—O3	117.0 (3)

C7—C6—H6	119.4	C16—C17—C18	118.8 (3)
C5—C6—H6	119.4	O3—C17—C18	124.1 (3)
C6—C7—C8	120.0 (3)	C17—C18—C19	119.8 (3)
C6—C7—H7	120.0	C17—C18—H18	120.1
C8—C7—H7	120.0	C19—C18—H18	120.1
C9—C8—C7	120.8 (3)	C14—C19—C18	121.7 (3)
C9—C8—H8	119.6	C14—C19—H19	119.1
C7—C8—H8	119.6	C18—C19—H19	119.1
C8—C9—C10	121.8 (3)	O3—C20—H20A	109.5
C8—C9—H9	119.1	O3—C20—H20B	109.5
C10—C9—H9	119.1	H20A—C20—H20B	109.5
C5—C10—C9	116.4 (2)	O3—C20—H20C	109.5
C5—C10—C1	119.3 (2)	H20A—C20—H20C	109.5
C9—C10—C1	124.2 (2)	H20B—C20—H20C	109.5

*Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)*

<i>D—H...A</i>	<i>D—H</i>	<i>H...A</i>	<i>D...A</i>	<i>D—H...A</i>
N2—H2...O2 <sup>i</sup>	0.90 (1)	2.08 (1)	2.965 (3)	167 (2)

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