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3,3'-Dinitro-4,4'-bipyridine

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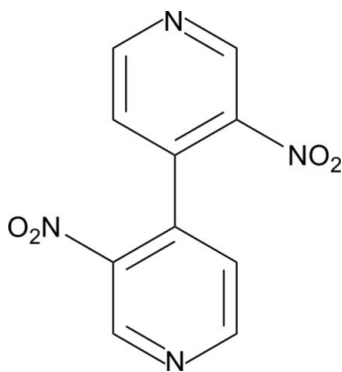
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; $T = 293$ K; mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.007$ Å; R factor = 0.055; wR factor = 0.141; data-to-parameter ratio = 6.6.

In the title compound, $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_6\text{N}_4\text{O}_4$, the pyridine rings are oriented at a dihedral angle of $67.8(1)^\circ$. The O-atom pairs are *trans*, each displaced by a similar distance [average = $0.2331(2)$ Å] out of the attached pyridine ring plane. In the crystal, intermolecular $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$ and $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$ interactions link the molecules into a three-dimensional network.

Related literature

For applications of the title compound, see: Katritzky *et al.* (2006). For the synthesis, see: Kaczmarek *et al.* (1980). For bond-length data, see: Allen *et al.* (1987).



Experimental

Crystal data

$\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_6\text{N}_4\text{O}_4$ $V = 1064.8(4)$ Å³
 $M_r = 246.19$ $Z = 4$
 Orthorhombic, $Pna2_1$ Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 $a = 9.3580(19)$ Å $\mu = 0.12$ mm⁻¹
 $b = 17.815(4)$ Å $T = 293$ K
 $c = 6.3870(13)$ Å $0.20 \times 0.10 \times 0.10$ mm

Data collection

Enraf–Nonius CAD-4 1071 independent reflections
 diffractometer 679 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 Absorption correction: ψ scan $R_{\text{int}} = 0.042$
 (North *et al.*, 1968) 3 standard reflections every 200
 $T_{\text{min}} = 0.976$, $T_{\text{max}} = 0.988$ reflections
 2089 measured reflections intensity decay: 1%

Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.055$ 1 restraint
 $wR(F^2) = 0.141$ H-atom parameters constrained
 $S = 1.00$ $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.18$ e Å⁻³
 1071 reflections $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.22$ e Å⁻³
 163 parameters

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
$\text{C2}-\text{H2B}\cdots\text{O1}^{\text{i}}$	0.93	2.40	3.234 (8)	149
$\text{C3}-\text{H3A}\cdots\text{N2}^{\text{ii}}$	0.93	2.62	3.440 (8)	147
$\text{C10}-\text{H10A}\cdots\text{O2}^{\text{iii}}$	0.93	2.57	3.392 (6)	148

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

Data collection: *CAD-4 Software* (Enraf–Nonius, 1985); cell refinement: *CAD-4 Software*; data reduction: *XCAD4* (Harms & Wocadlo, 1995); 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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S1. Comment

The title compound, 3,3'-dinitro-4,4'-bipyridine is an important intermediate (Katritzky *et al.*, 2006) and we report here the crystal structure of the title compound, (I).

The molecular structure of (I) is shown in Fig. 1, and the intermolecular C—H \cdots O and C—H \cdots N hydrogen bonds (Table 1) result in the molecular packing in three dimension (Fig. 2.). The bond lengths and angles are within normal ranges (Allen *et al.*, 1987).

In the molecule of the title compound, the dihedral angle of the pyridine rings [(C1-C5/N1) and (C6-C10/N2)] is 67.8 (1)°.

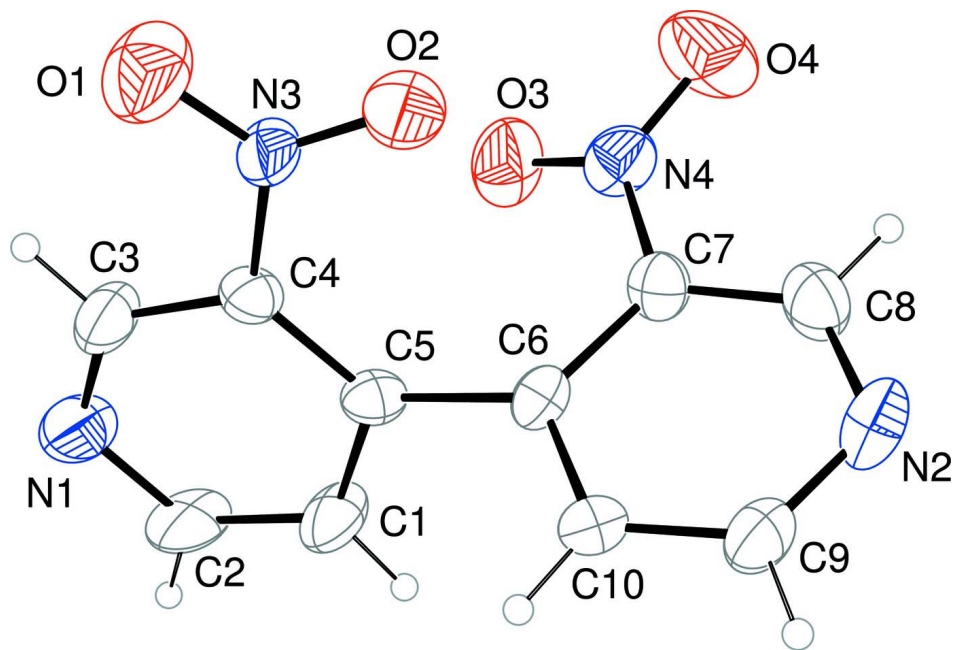
In the crystal structure, intermolecular C—H \cdots O and C—H \cdots N interactions link the molecules.

S2. Experimental

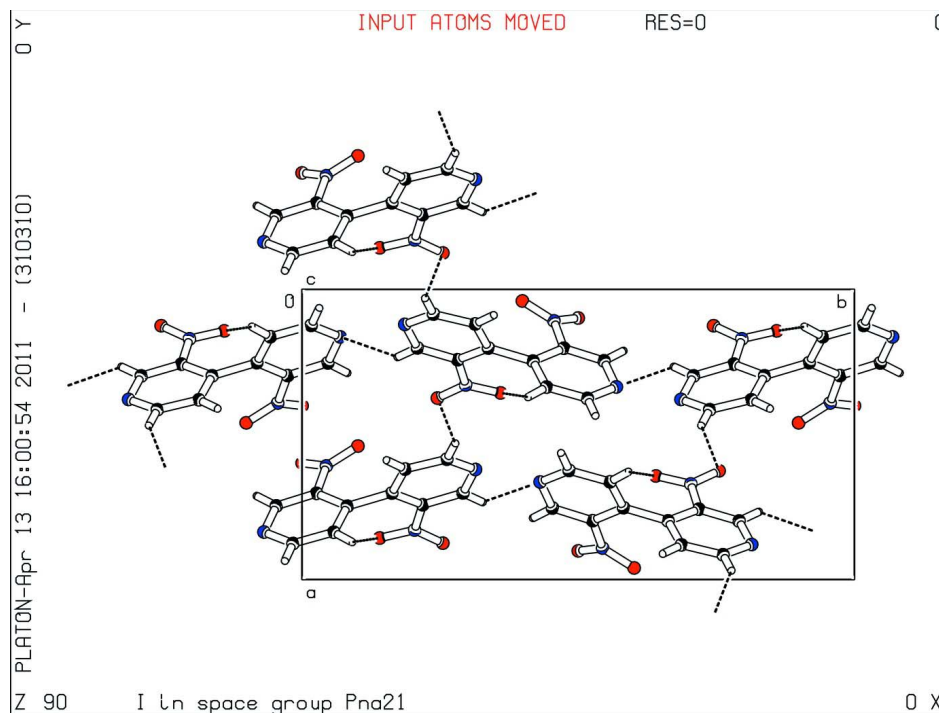
The title compound, (I) was prepared by the method of Ullmann reaction reported in literature (Kaczmarek *et al.* (1980). The crystals were obtained by dissolving (I) (0.2 g, 0.81 mmol) in ethanol (25 ml) and evaporating the solvent slowly at room temperature for about 5 d.

S3. Refinement

H atoms were positioned geometrically and refined as riding groups, with C—H = 0.93 Å for aromatic H, and constrained to ride on their parent atoms, with $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$.

**Figure 1**

The molecular structure of (I), with the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.

**Figure 2**

A packing diagram of (I), viewed down c-axis. Hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines.

3,3'-dinitro-4,4'-bipyridine*Crystal data*C₁₀H₆N₄O₄ $M_r = 246.19$ Orthorhombic, *Pna*2₁

Hall symbol: P 2c -2n

 $a = 9.3580$ (19) Å $b = 17.815$ (4) Å $c = 6.3870$ (13) Å $V = 1064.8$ (4) Å³ $Z = 4$ $F(000) = 504$ $D_x = 1.536$ Mg m⁻³Mo *K*α radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å

Cell parameters from 25 reflections

 $\theta = 9\text{--}13^\circ$ $\mu = 0.12$ mm⁻¹ $T = 293$ K

Block, yellow

0.20 × 0.10 × 0.10 mm

Data collection

Enraf–Nonius CAD-4

diffractometer

Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube

Graphite monochromator

 $\omega/2\theta$ scansAbsorption correction: ψ scan(North *et al.*, 1968) $T_{\min} = 0.976$, $T_{\max} = 0.988$

2089 measured reflections

1071 independent reflections

679 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $R_{\text{int}} = 0.042$ $\theta_{\max} = 25.4^\circ$, $\theta_{\min} = 2.3^\circ$ $h = -11 \rightarrow 0$ $k = -21 \rightarrow 21$ $l = -7 \rightarrow 0$

3 standard reflections every 200 reflections

intensity decay: 1%

*Refinement*Refinement on F^2

Least-squares matrix: full

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.055$ $wR(F^2) = 0.141$ $S = 1.00$

1071 reflections

163 parameters

1 restraint

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

 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.075P)^2]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$ $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.18$ e Å⁻³ $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.22$ e Å⁻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 (Å²)

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
N1	0.6207 (7)	0.3139 (2)	0.2435 (8)	0.0921 (18)
C1	0.6194 (6)	0.1867 (3)	0.3674 (10)	0.0729 (17)
H1B	0.5890	0.1532	0.4699	0.088*
O1	0.8746 (5)	0.2549 (2)	-0.2244 (9)	0.1052 (17)

N2	0.8363 (5)	-0.0689 (2)	0.2211 (10)	0.0747 (15)
O2	0.8568 (5)	0.1406 (2)	-0.1756 (6)	0.0897 (15)
C2	0.5853 (7)	0.2620 (3)	0.3771 (10)	0.093 (2)
H2B	0.5311	0.2772	0.4916	0.111*
N3	0.8294 (4)	0.2037 (2)	-0.1255 (7)	0.0600 (12)
O3	0.5400 (5)	0.1011 (2)	-0.1225 (8)	0.0950 (16)
C3	0.7017 (6)	0.2911 (3)	0.0879 (10)	0.0721 (18)
H3A	0.7333	0.3269	-0.0075	0.087*
N4	0.6084 (5)	0.0441 (3)	-0.1202 (8)	0.0665 (12)
O4	0.5987 (6)	0.0001 (3)	-0.2657 (8)	0.1145 (18)
C4	0.7423 (5)	0.2184 (2)	0.0572 (8)	0.0491 (12)
C5	0.7021 (5)	0.1625 (2)	0.1959 (8)	0.0461 (11)
C6	0.7473 (5)	0.0821 (2)	0.1935 (8)	0.0504 (13)
C7	0.7029 (5)	0.0261 (3)	0.0504 (9)	0.0518 (13)
C8	0.7463 (6)	-0.0465 (3)	0.0707 (11)	0.0690 (16)
H8A	0.7121	-0.0819	-0.0238	0.083*
C9	0.8758 (6)	-0.0164 (3)	0.3553 (9)	0.0685 (15)
H9A	0.9354	-0.0310	0.4645	0.082*
C10	0.8368 (5)	0.0574 (3)	0.3476 (8)	0.0545 (13)
H10A	0.8712	0.0908	0.4475	0.065*

Atomic displacement parameters (Å²)

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
N1	0.150 (5)	0.066 (3)	0.060 (3)	0.037 (3)	0.023 (4)	0.003 (3)
C1	0.097 (4)	0.061 (3)	0.061 (4)	0.012 (3)	0.036 (4)	0.018 (3)
O1	0.108 (4)	0.090 (3)	0.118 (4)	-0.002 (3)	0.039 (3)	0.016 (3)
N2	0.077 (3)	0.052 (3)	0.094 (4)	0.004 (2)	-0.006 (3)	0.025 (3)
O2	0.123 (4)	0.074 (3)	0.073 (3)	0.015 (2)	0.055 (3)	-0.002 (2)
C2	0.141 (6)	0.090 (4)	0.046 (3)	0.039 (4)	0.054 (4)	0.007 (4)
N3	0.077 (3)	0.047 (2)	0.056 (3)	-0.005 (2)	0.030 (3)	0.003 (2)
O3	0.104 (3)	0.071 (2)	0.109 (4)	0.009 (2)	-0.049 (4)	0.010 (3)
C3	0.101 (5)	0.048 (3)	0.067 (4)	0.014 (3)	0.023 (4)	0.015 (3)
N4	0.062 (3)	0.071 (3)	0.066 (3)	-0.009 (2)	-0.013 (3)	0.009 (3)
O4	0.115 (4)	0.133 (4)	0.095 (3)	0.016 (3)	-0.050 (3)	-0.038 (4)
C4	0.057 (3)	0.049 (2)	0.041 (3)	0.011 (2)	0.006 (2)	-0.004 (2)
C5	0.043 (2)	0.056 (3)	0.039 (3)	0.005 (2)	0.007 (3)	0.001 (2)
C6	0.058 (3)	0.043 (2)	0.050 (3)	-0.006 (2)	0.004 (3)	0.011 (2)
C7	0.047 (3)	0.049 (3)	0.060 (3)	-0.004 (2)	-0.003 (3)	0.000 (3)
C8	0.078 (4)	0.054 (3)	0.074 (4)	-0.006 (3)	-0.012 (4)	-0.011 (3)
C9	0.085 (4)	0.056 (3)	0.065 (4)	0.005 (3)	-0.016 (4)	0.015 (3)
C10	0.067 (3)	0.056 (3)	0.040 (3)	-0.001 (2)	-0.002 (3)	0.006 (2)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

N1—C2	1.302 (7)	C3—H3A	0.9300
N1—C3	1.314 (7)	N4—O4	1.219 (6)
C1—C2	1.380 (7)	N4—C7	1.440 (7)

C1—C5	1.409 (8)	C4—C5	1.385 (6)
C1—H1B	0.9300	C5—C6	1.494 (6)
O1—N3	1.188 (5)	C6—C10	1.366 (7)
N2—C9	1.321 (7)	C6—C7	1.415 (6)
N2—C8	1.338 (8)	C7—C8	1.362 (6)
O2—N3	1.198 (5)	C8—H8A	0.9300
C2—H2B	0.9300	C9—C10	1.365 (7)
N3—C4	1.447 (6)	C9—H9A	0.9300
O3—N4	1.201 (5)	C10—H10A	0.9300
C3—C4	1.364 (6)		
C2—N1—C3	115.0 (4)	C5—C4—N3	122.6 (4)
C2—C1—C5	117.3 (5)	C4—C5—C1	115.3 (4)
C2—C1—H1B	121.3	C4—C5—C6	127.3 (4)
C5—C1—H1B	121.3	C1—C5—C6	117.2 (4)
C9—N2—C8	115.5 (4)	C10—C6—C7	114.7 (4)
N1—C2—C1	127.0 (5)	C10—C6—C5	118.4 (5)
N1—C2—H2B	116.5	C7—C6—C5	126.8 (5)
C1—C2—H2B	116.5	C8—C7—C6	121.4 (5)
O1—N3—O2	120.2 (5)	C8—C7—N4	117.8 (5)
O1—N3—C4	119.4 (4)	C6—C7—N4	120.8 (4)
O2—N3—C4	120.4 (4)	N2—C8—C7	122.6 (5)
N1—C3—C4	124.3 (5)	N2—C8—H8A	118.7
N1—C3—H3A	117.9	C7—C8—H8A	118.7
C4—C3—H3A	117.9	N2—C9—C10	125.7 (5)
O3—N4—O4	119.7 (6)	N2—C9—H9A	117.2
O3—N4—C7	121.7 (5)	C10—C9—H9A	117.2
O4—N4—C7	118.7 (5)	C9—C10—C6	120.1 (5)
C3—C4—C5	121.0 (5)	C9—C10—H10A	120.0
C3—C4—N3	116.4 (5)	C6—C10—H10A	120.0
C3—N1—C2—C1	-2.5 (12)	C4—C5—C6—C7	-72.7 (7)
C5—C1—C2—N1	0.4 (12)	C1—C5—C6—C7	113.3 (7)
C2—N1—C3—C4	3.1 (10)	C10—C6—C7—C8	0.8 (7)
N1—C3—C4—C5	-1.6 (10)	C5—C6—C7—C8	-176.7 (5)
N1—C3—C4—N3	178.8 (6)	C10—C6—C7—N4	180.0 (4)
O1—N3—C4—C3	8.6 (7)	C5—C6—C7—N4	2.5 (8)
O2—N3—C4—C3	-172.1 (6)	O3—N4—C7—C8	162.7 (5)
O1—N3—C4—C5	-171.0 (5)	O4—N4—C7—C8	-17.6 (8)
O2—N3—C4—C5	8.3 (7)	O3—N4—C7—C6	-16.5 (7)
C3—C4—C5—C1	-0.6 (8)	O4—N4—C7—C6	163.2 (5)
N3—C4—C5—C1	179.0 (5)	C9—N2—C8—C7	2.9 (9)
C3—C4—C5—C6	-174.7 (5)	C6—C7—C8—N2	-2.2 (9)
N3—C4—C5—C6	4.9 (8)	N4—C7—C8—N2	178.6 (5)
C2—C1—C5—C4	1.2 (9)	C8—N2—C9—C10	-2.4 (10)
C2—C1—C5—C6	175.9 (6)	N2—C9—C10—C6	1.2 (10)
C4—C5—C6—C10	109.9 (6)	C7—C6—C10—C9	-0.3 (7)
C1—C5—C6—C10	-64.1 (6)	C5—C6—C10—C9	177.4 (5)

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

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