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## 2-Phenylnaphtho[1,8-de][1,3,2]diazaborinane

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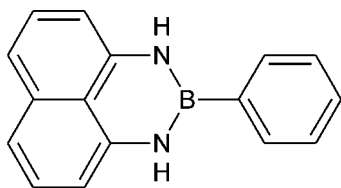
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 Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 298$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.039;  $wR$  factor = 0.121; data-to-parameter ratio = 12.6.

The title compound,  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{BN}_2$ , is one compound in a series of diazaborinanes featuring substitution at the 1, 2 and 3 positions in the nitrogen–boron heterocycle. The title compound is slightly distorted from planarity, with a dihedral angle of  $9.0(5)^\circ$  between the mean planes of the naphthalene system and the benzene ring. The  $m$ -carbon atom of the benzene ring exhibits the greatest deviation of  $0.164(2)$  Å from the 19-atom mean plane defined by all non-H atoms. The two  $\text{N}-\text{B}-\text{C}$  torsion angles are  $6.0(3)$  and  $5.6(3)^\circ$ . In the crystal, molecules are linked by  $\pi-\pi$  interactions into columns, with a distance of  $3.92(3)$  Å between the naphthalene ring centroids. Adjacent  $\pi$ -stacked columns, co-linear with the  $b$ -axis, are linked by  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\pi$  interactions.

### Related literature

For the synthesis, see: Letsinger & Hamilton (1958); Pailer & Fenzl (1961); Kaupp *et al.* (2003); Slabber (2011). For related structures and luminescence studies, see: Weber *et al.* (2009). Changes in illuminated volume were kept to a minimum, and were taken into account (Görbitz, 1999) by the multi-scan inter-frame scaling (*DENZO/SCALEPACK*; Otwinowski & Minor, 1997).



### Experimental

#### Crystal data

 $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{BN}_2$   
 $M_r = 244.10$ 

 Monoclinic,  $P2_1$   
 $a = 11.0117(7)$  Å

 $b = 5.4299(2)$  Å  
 $c = 11.7454(7)$  Å  
 $\beta = 117.574(8)^\circ$   
 $V = 622.52(7)$  Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 2$ 

 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 0.08$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 298$  K  
 $0.45 \times 0.35 \times 0.35$  mm

#### Data collection

Oxford Diffraction Xcalibur 2 CCD diffractometer	6492 measured reflections
Absorption correction: multi-scan ( <i>CrysAlis RED</i> ; Oxford Diffraction, 2002)	2177 independent reflections
$T_{\min} = 0.966$ , $T_{\max} = 0.974$	1601 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.025$

#### Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.039$	1 restraint
$wR(F^2) = 0.121$	H-atom parameters constrained
$S = 0.91$	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.20$ e Å <sup>-3</sup>
2173 reflections	$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.16$ e Å <sup>-3</sup>
173 parameters	

**Table 1**

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

 $\text{Cg3}$  is the centroid of the  $\text{C11}-\text{C16}$  ring.

$D-\text{H}\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}$	$\text{H}\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}\cdots A$
$\text{C12}-\text{H12}\cdots\text{Cg3}^i$	0.97	2.86	3.630 (2)	136

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

Data collection: *CrysAlis CCD* (Oxford Diffraction, 20025); cell refinement: *CrysAlis RED* (Oxford Diffraction, 2002); data reduction: *CrysAlis RED*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SIR92* (Altomare *et al.*, 1994); program(s) used to refine structure: *CRYSTALS* (Betteridge *et al.*, 2003); molecular graphics: *CAMERON* (Watkin *et al.*, 1996); software used to prepare material for publication: *CRYSTALS*.

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### S1. Comment

The title compound is approaching planarity. The biggest deviation from planarity lies in the phenyl ring, which subtends an angle of 9.0 (5)° relative to the naphthalene rings and the boron-nitrogen heterocycle. The N1—B—C11—C12 torsion angle is 6.0 (3)° and the N2—B—C11—C16 torsion angle is 5.6 (3)°. The two N—B bonds are approximately equal (averaged to 1.414 (5) Å), the B—C11 bond length is 1.562 (2) Å. The N1—B—N2 bond angle measures 115.6 (2)° while the N1—B—C11 and N2—B—C11 bond angles measure 122.0 (2) and 122.4 (2)°, respectively. These bond lengths and angles are in good agreement with those reported for structurally related diazaborolyl systems (Weber *et al.*).

The structure shows the molecules to be packed into infinite one-dimensional columns, supported by  $\pi\cdots\pi$  interactions. The  $Cg1\cdots Cg2$  distance is 3.92 Å, where  $Cg1$  and  $Cg2$  are the centroids of two naphthyl rings of adjacent molecules. The one-dimensional chains run collinear with the  $b$  axis. The spacing between the mean planes of the naphthalene rings of two neighbouring molecules is 3.44 (4) Å. Two adjoining  $\pi$ -stacked columns are linked together by a C—H $\cdots\pi$  interaction between atoms C12—H12 and  $Cg3$ , where  $Cg3$  is the centroid of the phenyl ring. The H12 $\cdots Cg3$  and C12 $\cdots Cg3$  distances are 2.86 (3) Å and 3.63 (3) Å, respectively, with a C12—H12 bond length of 0.970 (2) Å. The symmetry code is  $2 - x, \frac{1}{2} + y, 2 - z$ .

### S2. Experimental

To a solution of 1,8-diaminonaphthalene in toluene (4.11 mmol in 50 ml, 0.82M) (Letsinger, 1958, Slabber, 2011) was added the phenylboronic acid (4.11 mmol) in one portion. The round-bottomed flask was equipped with a Dean and Stark trap, and the solution was stirred and heated at 110°C for 3 h. The solvent was removed *in vacuo* and column chromatography of the crude solid on silica eluting with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> yielded pale green crystalline material in a yield of 77%. Crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction analysis were grown from CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> at room temperature.

### S3. Refinement

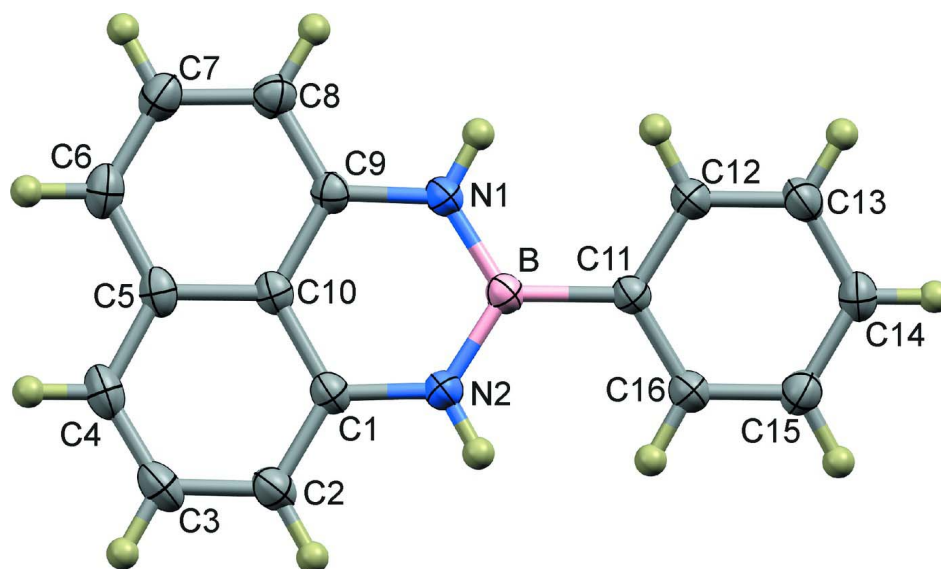
In the absence of significant anomalous scattering, Friedel pairs were merged.

The absolute configuration was arbitrarily assigned.

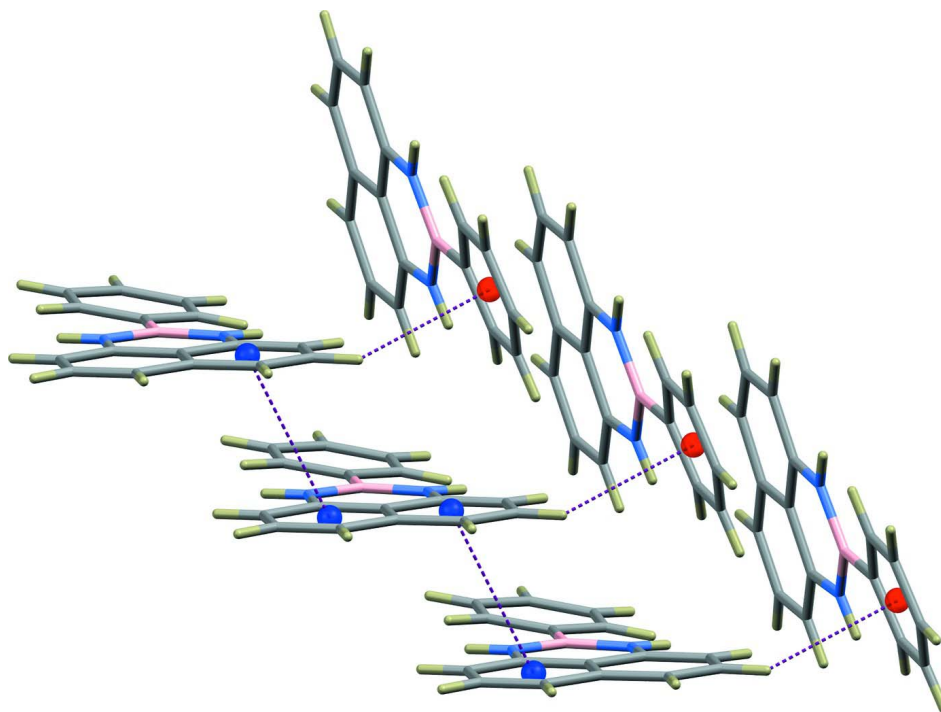
The relatively large ratio of minimum to maximum corrections applied in the multiscan process (1:nnn) reflect changes in the illuminated volume of the crystal.

Changes in illuminated volume were kept to a minimum, and were taken into account (Göribitz, 1999) by the multi-scan inter-frame scaling (*DENZO/SCALEPACK*, Otwinowski & Minor, 1997).

The H atoms were all located in a difference map, but those attached to carbon atoms were repositioned geometrically. The H atoms were initially refined with soft restraints on the bond lengths and angles to regularize their geometry (C—H in the range 0.93–0.98, N—H in the range 0.86–0.89 N—H to 0.86 O—H = 0.82 Å) and  $U_{iso}(H)$  (in the range 1.2–1.5 times  $U_{eq}$  of the parent atom), after which the positions were refined with riding constraints.

**Figure 1**

The title compound, showing the full atom labelling scheme, with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level. H atoms are shown as spheres of arbitrary radius.

**Figure 2**

Intermolecular interactions of the title compound. The columns are supported by  $\pi$ -stacking and C-H $\cdots$  $\pi$  interactions. The resulting column runs collinear to the  $b$  axis.

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 $V = 622.52 (7) \text{ \AA}^3$   
 $Z = 2$

$F(000) = 256$   
 $D_x = 1.302 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$   
 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$   
 Cell parameters from 3114 reflections  
 $\theta = 3.5\text{--}32.1^\circ$   
 $\mu = 0.08 \text{ mm}^{-1}$   
 $T = 298 \text{ K}$   
 Amorphous, colourless  
 $0.45 \times 0.35 \times 0.35 \text{ mm}$

## Data collection

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 $\omega/2\theta$  scans  
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 $T_{\min} = 0.966$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.974$   
 6492 measured reflections

2177 independent reflections  
 1601 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.025$   
 $\theta_{\max} = 32.2^\circ$ ,  $\theta_{\min} = 3.5^\circ$   
 $h = -16 \rightarrow 16$   
 $k = -6 \rightarrow 7$   
 $l = -17 \rightarrow 17$

## Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 Least-squares matrix: full  
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.039$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.121$   
 $S = 0.91$   
 2173 reflections  
 173 parameters  
 1 restraint  
 Primary atom site location: structure-invariant  
 direct methods

Hydrogen site location: inferred from  
 neighbouring sites  
 H-atom parameters constrained  
 Method = Modified Sheldrick  $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F^2) + (0.09P)^2 + 0.01P]$ ,  
 where  $P = [\max(F_o^2, 0) + 2F_c^2]/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.000415$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.20 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.16 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 Extinction correction: Larson (1970), Equation  
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 Extinction coefficient: 140 (30)

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

	x	y	z	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
N1	1.07937 (13)	0.0122 (3)	0.90876 (12)	0.0456
C9	0.94717 (15)	0.0472 (3)	0.80805 (13)	0.0417
C10	0.92753 (16)	0.2405 (3)	0.71948 (14)	0.0406
C1	1.03776 (16)	0.3948 (3)	0.73368 (14)	0.0430
N2	1.16544 (14)	0.3539 (3)	0.83909 (13)	0.0491
B	1.19265 (18)	0.1616 (4)	0.92917 (17)	0.0403
C11	1.33755 (15)	0.1227 (3)	1.04553 (14)	0.0399
C12	1.44379 (16)	0.2892 (3)	1.07293 (15)	0.0477
C13	1.57062 (17)	0.2611 (4)	1.17915 (16)	0.0531
C14	1.59475 (16)	0.0640 (4)	1.26062 (15)	0.0511
C15	1.49189 (18)	-0.1046 (4)	1.23488 (17)	0.0560
C16	1.36508 (17)	-0.0755 (3)	1.12917 (17)	0.0517

C2	1.01683 (19)	0.5787 (4)	0.64568 (17)	0.0543
C3	0.8862 (2)	0.6115 (4)	0.54197 (17)	0.0612
C4	0.7787 (2)	0.4684 (4)	0.52663 (17)	0.0583
C5	0.79515 (16)	0.2780 (4)	0.61455 (14)	0.0475
C6	0.68699 (17)	0.1231 (4)	0.60321 (17)	0.0561
C7	0.70890 (17)	-0.0588 (4)	0.68964 (17)	0.0580
C8	0.83880 (17)	-0.0999 (4)	0.79292 (16)	0.0522
H12	1.4293	0.4288	1.0166	0.0546*
H13	1.6423	0.3824	1.1956	0.0605*
H14	1.6813	0.0443	1.3339	0.0599*
H15	1.5087	-0.2397	1.2902	0.0629*
H16	1.2954	-0.1980	1.1133	0.0628*
H2	1.0918	0.6844	0.6551	0.0617*
H3	0.8736	0.7378	0.4805	0.0712*
H4	0.6920	0.4919	0.4565	0.0616*
H6	0.5982	0.1487	0.5315	0.0599*
H7	0.6355	-0.1652	0.6800	0.0684*
H8	0.8547	-0.2320	0.8529	0.0600*
H101	1.0917	-0.1139	0.9595	0.0510*
H102	1.2340	0.4503	0.8471	0.0527*

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

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
N1	0.0460 (7)	0.0460 (7)	0.0388 (6)	-0.0010 (6)	0.0146 (5)	0.0082 (6)
C9	0.0420 (7)	0.0475 (9)	0.0358 (7)	0.0013 (7)	0.0182 (6)	-0.0005 (7)
C10	0.0424 (7)	0.0452 (9)	0.0354 (6)	0.0063 (7)	0.0190 (6)	0.0001 (6)
C1	0.0453 (8)	0.0455 (8)	0.0400 (7)	0.0084 (7)	0.0212 (6)	0.0054 (7)
N2	0.0402 (6)	0.0529 (9)	0.0506 (7)	0.0006 (6)	0.0180 (6)	0.0130 (6)
B	0.0415 (8)	0.0417 (9)	0.0387 (8)	0.0033 (7)	0.0194 (6)	0.0029 (7)
C11	0.0411 (7)	0.0403 (8)	0.0391 (7)	0.0041 (6)	0.0193 (6)	0.0031 (6)
C12	0.0479 (8)	0.0481 (9)	0.0445 (7)	0.0000 (8)	0.0191 (6)	0.0051 (8)
C13	0.0450 (8)	0.0589 (11)	0.0517 (9)	-0.0047 (8)	0.0191 (7)	-0.0027 (8)
C14	0.0421 (8)	0.0626 (11)	0.0430 (7)	0.0078 (8)	0.0150 (6)	0.0010 (8)
C15	0.0526 (9)	0.0582 (11)	0.0528 (9)	0.0112 (9)	0.0206 (7)	0.0179 (9)
C16	0.0452 (8)	0.0493 (10)	0.0555 (9)	0.0015 (8)	0.0190 (7)	0.0128 (8)
C2	0.0590 (9)	0.0540 (10)	0.0541 (9)	0.0104 (8)	0.0297 (8)	0.0142 (8)
C3	0.0716 (11)	0.0607 (11)	0.0490 (9)	0.0188 (10)	0.0260 (8)	0.0179 (9)
C4	0.0565 (9)	0.0651 (12)	0.0421 (8)	0.0178 (9)	0.0134 (7)	0.0059 (8)
C5	0.0463 (8)	0.0558 (10)	0.0374 (7)	0.0110 (8)	0.0168 (6)	-0.0022 (7)
C6	0.0422 (8)	0.0732 (12)	0.0455 (8)	0.0055 (9)	0.0141 (6)	-0.0074 (9)
C7	0.0454 (8)	0.0729 (13)	0.0548 (9)	-0.0082 (9)	0.0225 (7)	-0.0070 (9)
C8	0.0495 (9)	0.0610 (11)	0.0488 (8)	-0.0036 (8)	0.0250 (7)	0.0012 (8)

*Geometric parameters (Å, °)*

N1—C9	1.4001 (18)	C14—C15	1.376 (3)
N1—B	1.412 (2)	C14—H14	0.949

N1—H101	0.876	C15—C16	1.383 (2)
C9—C10	1.422 (2)	C15—H15	0.940
C9—C8	1.377 (2)	C16—H16	0.966
C10—C1	1.420 (2)	C2—C3	1.401 (2)
C10—C5	1.422 (2)	C2—H2	0.969
C1—N2	1.3956 (19)	C3—C4	1.356 (3)
C1—C2	1.378 (2)	C3—H3	0.958
N2—B	1.416 (2)	C4—C5	1.412 (3)
N2—H102	0.888	C4—H4	0.937
B—C11	1.562 (2)	C5—C6	1.413 (3)
C11—C12	1.393 (2)	C6—C7	1.356 (3)
C11—C16	1.393 (2)	C6—H6	0.961
C12—C13	1.385 (2)	C7—C8	1.400 (2)
C12—H12	0.969	C7—H7	0.956
C13—C14	1.377 (3)	C8—H8	0.963
C13—H13	0.976		
C9—N1—B	123.84 (13)	C15—C14—H14	120.2
C9—N1—H101	117.0	C14—C15—C16	120.50 (17)
B—N1—H101	119.1	C14—C15—H15	119.3
N1—C9—C10	117.69 (13)	C16—C15—H15	120.2
N1—C9—C8	122.02 (14)	C11—C16—C15	121.42 (16)
C10—C9—C8	120.29 (14)	C11—C16—H16	120.1
C9—C10—C1	121.16 (12)	C15—C16—H16	118.4
C9—C10—C5	119.17 (14)	C1—C2—C3	119.49 (18)
C1—C10—C5	119.67 (14)	C1—C2—H2	120.4
C10—C1—N2	117.75 (13)	C3—C2—H2	120.1
C10—C1—C2	120.18 (14)	C2—C3—C4	121.63 (18)
N2—C1—C2	122.08 (15)	C2—C3—H3	118.6
C1—N2—B	123.93 (14)	C4—C3—H3	119.8
C1—N2—H102	117.3	C3—C4—C5	120.91 (16)
B—N2—H102	118.7	C3—C4—H4	120.7
N2—B—N1	115.57 (13)	C5—C4—H4	118.4
N2—B—C11	122.03 (14)	C10—C5—C4	118.13 (16)
N1—B—C11	122.37 (13)	C10—C5—C6	118.52 (16)
B—C11—C12	121.53 (14)	C4—C5—C6	123.35 (16)
B—C11—C16	121.48 (14)	C5—C6—C7	120.87 (16)
C12—C11—C16	116.95 (14)	C5—C6—H6	117.9
C11—C12—C13	121.70 (16)	C7—C6—H6	121.2
C11—C12—H12	119.6	C6—C7—C8	121.40 (17)
C13—C12—H12	118.7	C6—C7—H7	120.3
C12—C13—C14	120.09 (17)	C8—C7—H7	118.3
C12—C13—H13	119.3	C7—C8—C9	119.74 (17)
C14—C13—H13	120.6	C7—C8—H8	121.3
C13—C14—C15	119.32 (15)	C9—C8—H8	119.0
C13—C14—H14	120.5		

*Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)*

Cg3 is the centroid of the C11–C16 ring.

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
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