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## (E)-3-(4-Bromo-5-methylthiophen-2-yl)-acrylonitrile

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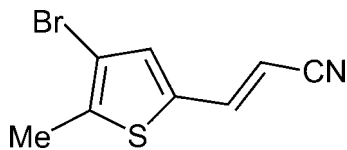
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 150$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.008$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.048;  $wR$  factor = 0.120; data-to-parameter ratio = 18.7.

In the title structure,  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_6\text{BrNS}$ , the molecules are planar with the exception of the methyl H atoms. In the crystal, molecules are linked by intermolecular  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$  interactions to form ribbons parallel to the  $b$  axis. Groups of ribbons are arranged in a herringbone pattern to form a layered structure parallel to the  $ab$  plane.

### Related literature

For related structures and their applications, see: Perner *et al.* (2003); Kose (2004); Chandra *et al.* (2006); Zhao *et al.* (2009); Pu *et al.* (2010); Dinçalp *et al.* (2011).



### Experimental

#### Crystal data

$\text{C}_8\text{H}_6\text{BrNS}$   $V = 864.99$  (10) Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $M_r = 228.11$   $Z = 4$   
 Orthorhombic,  $P2_12_12_1$  Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $a = 6.1347$  (5) Å  $\mu = 4.92$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $b = 7.1124$  (3) Å  $T = 150$  K  
 $c = 19.8245$  (13) Å  $0.40 \times 0.30 \times 0.10$  mm

#### Data collection

Nonius KappaCCD diffractometer 3294 measured reflections  
 Absorption correction: empirical 1910 independent reflections  
 (using intensity measurements) 1769 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 (*DENZO/SCALEPACK*;  $R_{\text{int}} = 0.060$   
 Otwinowski & Minor, 1997)  
 $T_{\text{min}} = 0.243$ ,  $T_{\text{max}} = 0.639$

#### Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.048$   $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.74$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $wR(F^2) = 0.120$   $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -1.12$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $S = 1.05$  Absolute structure: Flack (1983),  
 1910 reflections 699 Friedel pairs  
 102 parameters Absolute structure parameter:  
 H-atom parameters constrained 0.03 (2)

**Table 1**

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-\text{H}\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}$	$\text{H}\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}\cdots A$
$\text{C3}-\text{H3}\cdots\text{N1}^{\dagger}$	0.93	2.59	3.501 (8)	166

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

Data collection: *COLLECT* (Nonius, 2000); cell refinement: *DENZO* and *SCALEPACK* (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997); data reduction: *DENZO* and *SCALEPACK*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *ORTEP-3 for Windows* (Farrugia, 2012); software used to prepare material for publication: *WinGX* (Farrugia, 2012) and *CHEMDRAW Ultra* (Cambridge Soft, 2001).

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## supporting information

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**S1. Comment**

During the research focused on new synthetic routes towards novel substituted thiophene derivatives, we have synthesized the title compound (I), which was isolated in high yield. Thiophene derivatives are interesting compounds (Zhao *et al.*, 2009). They can be used in a wide range of applications such as enzyme inhibitors (Perner *et al.*, 2003), photochromic materials (Kose, 2004; Pu *et al.*, 2010), bioprobes (Chandra *et al.*, 2006) and dyes (Dinçalp *et al.*, 2011).

In the structure, the molecules of (*E*)-3-(4-bromo-5-methylthiophen-2-yl)-acrylonitrile (I) are planar, except for H atoms of the methyl group (Fig. 1). The molecules are linked by C—H $\cdots$ N interactions (Table 1) to form corrugated ribbons. The ribbons run parallel to the *b* axis and, within a ribbon, the orientation of consecutive molecules alternates to the left and right (Fig. 2). Groups of ribbons are arranged in a herringbone pattern to form a layered structure with layers parallel to the *ab* plane (Fig. 3).

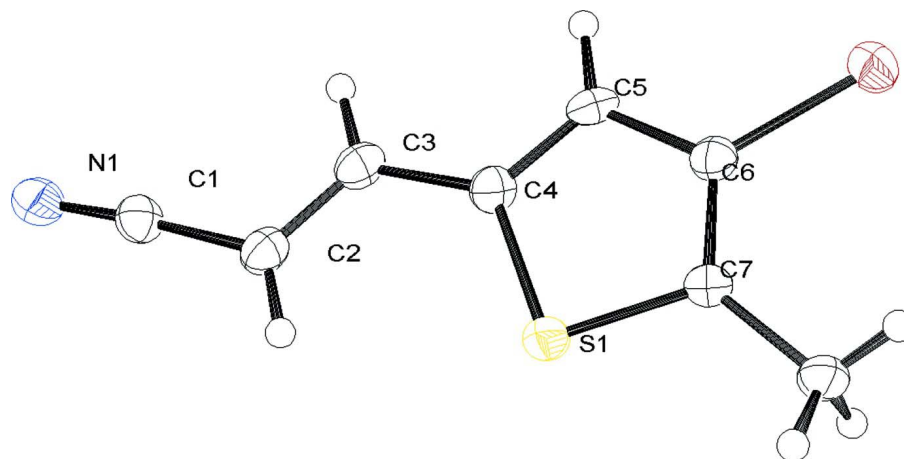
**S2. Experimental****Synthesis of *E*-3-(4-bromo-5-methylthiophen-2-yl)acrylonitrile (I)**

Diethyl (cyanomethyl)phosphonate (0.94 g, 5.3 mmol) was added to sodium hydride (6.25 mmol) suspended in dry THF (50 ml) under inert atmosphere. The mixture was stirred for 1 h, 3-bromo-2-methylthiophene-5-carboxaldehyde (1.00 g, 4.90 mmol) was added and stirring was continued overnight. Saturated aqueous ammonium chloride solution (25 ml) was added and the mixture was extracted with diethyl ether (4  $\times$  50 ml). The organic phase was washed with saturated aqueous sodium hydrogen carbonate solution (50 ml) and brine (25 ml) and dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the crude product was separated by column chromatography (silica gel, Et<sub>2</sub>O:hexane in 1:1 by volume) to give a mixture of *E*- and *Z*-isomers of 3-(4-bromo-5-methylthiophen-2-yl)acrylonitrile in 4:1 ratio. m.p. 80–81°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ , p.p.m.): 7.23 (d, *J* = 16.3 Hz, 0.8H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 11.7 Hz, 0.2H), 6.98 (s, 1H), 5.46 (d, *J* = 16.3 Hz, 0.8H), 5.15 (d, *J* = 11.7 Hz, 0.2H), 2.37 (s, 0.6H), 2.35 (s, 2.4H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ , p.p.m.): 141.6 (*d*), 140.0 (*d*), 138.9 (*s*), 135.2 (*s*), 134.8 (*d*), 133.5 (*d*), 117.8 (*s*), 110.9 (*s*), 94.5 (*d*), 91.2 (*d*), 15.4 (*q*). EI-MS (*m/z*, %): 229 ([*M*<sup>81</sup>Br]<sup>+</sup>, 80), 227 ([*M*<sup>79</sup>Br]<sup>+</sup>, 78), 148 (100), 121 (10). HRMS (EI): Calculated for C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>6</sub>BrNS [*M*<sup>79</sup>Br]<sup>+</sup> 226.9404; found: 226.9402. FT-IR ( $\nu_{\max}$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2211.

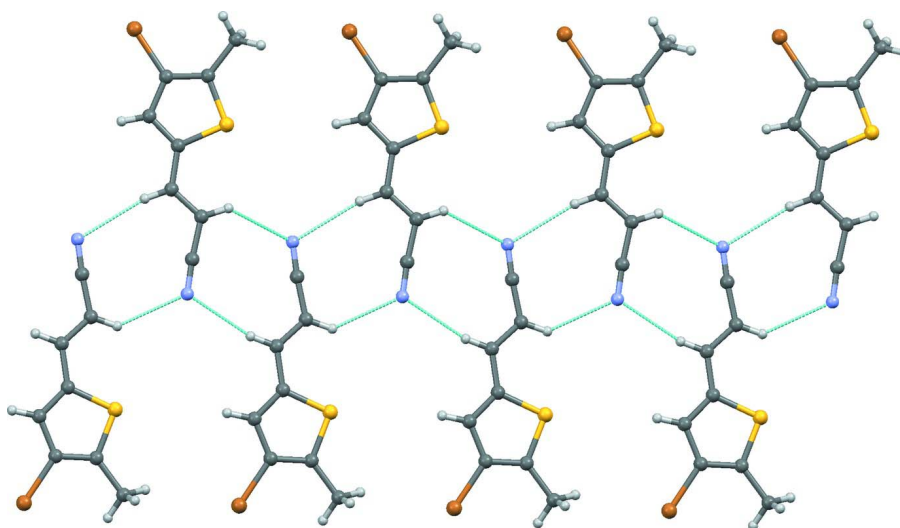
Recrystallization from diethyl ether gave colorless crystals of the *E*-isomer (I).

**S3. Refinement**

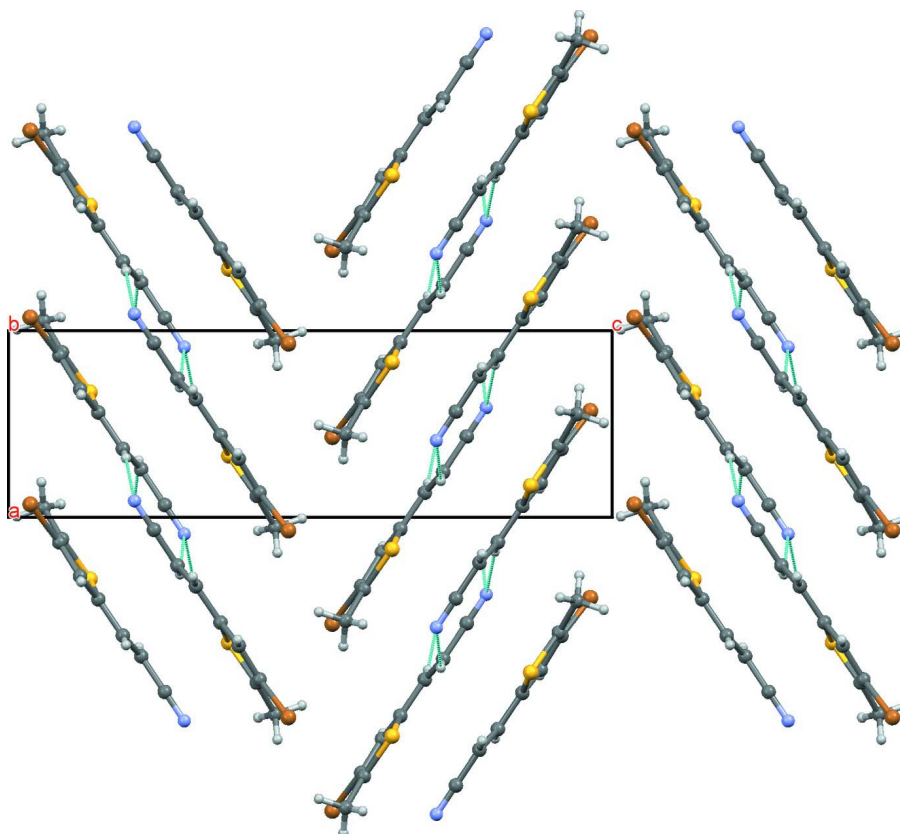
H atoms were positioned geometrically and refined using a riding model. For sp<sup>2</sup> H atoms,  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H})$  is constrained to 1.2 times the  $U_{\text{eq}}$  for the atoms they are bonded to and the C—H distance is 0.93 Å. For the methyl group,  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H})$  is 1.5 times the  $U_{\text{eq}}$  for C atom they are bonded to and the C—H distance is 0.96 Å, with free rotation about the C—C bond.

**Figure 1**

A molecule of I showing atom labels and 50% probability displacement ellipsoids for non-H atoms.

**Figure 2**

A segment of the crystal structure showing C—H...N interactions as dashed lines.



**Figure 3**

A segment of the crystal structure of I showing the herringbone arrangement to form layers of ribbons.

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*Crystal data*

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Orthorhombic,  $P2_12_12_1$

Hall symbol: P 2ac 2ab

$a = 6.1347 (5) \text{ \AA}$

$b = 7.1124 (3) \text{ \AA}$

$c = 19.8245 (13) \text{ \AA}$

$V = 864.99 (10) \text{ \AA}^3$

$Z = 4$

$F(000) = 448$

$D_x = 1.752 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$

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

Cell parameters from 1769 reflections

$\theta = 3.0\text{--}28.4^\circ$

$\mu = 4.92 \text{ mm}^{-1}$

$T = 150 \text{ K}$

Plate, yellow

$0.40 \times 0.30 \times 0.10 \text{ mm}$

*Data collection*

Nonius KappaCCD  
diffractometer

Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube

Graphite monochromator

CCD scans

Absorption correction: empirical (using  
intensity measurements)

(*DENZO/SCALEPACK*; Otwinowski & Minor,  
1997)

$T_{\min} = 0.243$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.639$

3294 measured reflections

1910 independent reflections

1769 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$

$R_{\text{int}} = 0.060$

$\theta_{\max} = 27.4^\circ$ ,  $\theta_{\min} = 3.0^\circ$

$h = -4 \rightarrow 7$

$k = -9 \rightarrow 7$

$l = -25 \rightarrow 20$

*Refinement*Refinement on  $F^2$ 

Least-squares matrix: full

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.048$  $wR(F^2) = 0.120$  $S = 1.05$ 

1910 reflections

102 parameters

0 restraints

Primary atom site location: structure-invariant  
direct methodsSecondary atom site location: difference Fourier  
mapHydrogen site location: inferred from  
neighbouring sites

H-atom parameters constrained

 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0412P)^2 + 2.3854P]$ where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$  $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.74 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$  $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -1.12 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ Extinction correction: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick,  
2008),  $F_c^* = kF_c[1 + 0.001x F_c^2 \lambda^3 / \sin(2\theta)]^{-1/4}$ 

Extinction coefficient: 0.030 (3)

Absolute structure: Flack (1983), 699 Friedel  
pairs

Absolute structure parameter: 0.03 (2)

*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	-0.4336 (10)	-0.1420 (8)	0.7590 (3)	0.0265 (11)
C2	-0.2429 (10)	-0.1841 (9)	0.7200 (3)	0.0264 (12)
H2	-0.1959	-0.3079	0.7159	0.032*
C3	-0.1322 (9)	-0.0462 (8)	0.6895 (3)	0.0258 (12)
H3	-0.1824	0.0764	0.6946	0.031*
C4	0.0617 (10)	-0.0763 (7)	0.6489 (3)	0.0235 (11)
C5	0.1860 (10)	0.0569 (8)	0.6186 (3)	0.0222 (11)
H5	0.1553	0.1849	0.6203	0.027*
C6	0.3668 (10)	-0.0199 (8)	0.5843 (3)	0.0241 (12)
C7	0.3838 (8)	-0.2120 (7)	0.5887 (2)	0.0191 (11)
C8	0.5528 (11)	-0.3400 (7)	0.5583 (3)	0.0264 (12)
H8A	0.5059	-0.3791	0.5142	0.040*
H8B	0.5713	-0.4485	0.5865	0.040*
H8C	0.6888	-0.2741	0.5546	0.040*
N1	-0.5883 (9)	-0.1203 (8)	0.7912 (3)	0.0331 (11)
S1	0.1701 (3)	-0.2987 (2)	0.63524 (7)	0.0246 (3)
Br1	0.57000 (10)	0.12692 (8)	0.53635 (3)	0.0319 (2)

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

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
C1	0.022 (3)	0.028 (3)	0.030 (3)	-0.001 (3)	0.000 (2)	0.000 (2)

C2	0.024 (3)	0.027 (3)	0.029 (3)	0.003 (2)	0.001 (2)	-0.005 (2)
C3	0.023 (3)	0.025 (3)	0.029 (3)	0.006 (2)	-0.002 (2)	-0.003 (2)
C4	0.016 (2)	0.025 (3)	0.030 (3)	0.003 (2)	-0.002 (2)	-0.001 (2)
C5	0.023 (3)	0.018 (2)	0.026 (3)	0.004 (2)	-0.006 (2)	-0.006 (2)
C6	0.025 (3)	0.024 (3)	0.023 (3)	-0.001 (2)	-0.001 (2)	-0.004 (2)
C7	0.021 (3)	0.019 (2)	0.017 (2)	0.002 (2)	-0.0057 (19)	0.0017 (19)
C8	0.032 (3)	0.019 (3)	0.028 (3)	0.002 (2)	0.002 (2)	0.003 (2)
N1	0.031 (3)	0.031 (2)	0.038 (3)	-0.008 (3)	0.002 (2)	-0.004 (2)
S1	0.0240 (7)	0.0207 (6)	0.0291 (7)	0.0007 (6)	0.0021 (6)	-0.0004 (5)
Br1	0.0332 (3)	0.0259 (3)	0.0368 (3)	-0.0021 (3)	0.0065 (3)	0.0040 (2)

*Geometric parameters (Å, °)*

C1—N1	1.154 (8)	C5—H5	0.9300
C1—C2	1.434 (8)	C6—C7	1.373 (7)
C2—C3	1.338 (8)	C6—Br1	1.884 (6)
C2—H2	0.9300	C7—C8	1.506 (8)
C3—C4	1.452 (8)	C7—S1	1.717 (5)
C3—H3	0.9300	C8—H8A	0.9600
C4—C5	1.356 (8)	C8—H8B	0.9600
C4—S1	1.737 (5)	C8—H8C	0.9600
C5—C6	1.412 (8)		
N1—C1—C2	175.6 (7)	C7—C6—C5	114.5 (5)
C3—C2—C1	120.3 (5)	C7—C6—Br1	122.3 (4)
C3—C2—H2	119.8	C5—C6—Br1	123.3 (4)
C1—C2—H2	119.8	C6—C7—C8	128.9 (5)
C2—C3—C4	123.9 (5)	C6—C7—S1	109.5 (4)
C2—C3—H3	118.0	C8—C7—S1	121.6 (4)
C4—C3—H3	118.0	C7—C8—H8A	109.5
C5—C4—C3	127.1 (5)	C7—C8—H8B	109.5
C5—C4—S1	110.6 (4)	H8A—C8—H8B	109.5
C3—C4—S1	122.3 (4)	C7—C8—H8C	109.5
C4—C5—C6	112.6 (5)	H8A—C8—H8C	109.5
C4—C5—H5	123.7	H8B—C8—H8C	109.5
C6—C5—H5	123.7	C7—S1—C4	92.8 (3)

*Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)*

<i>D</i> —H $\cdots$ <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H	H $\cdots$ <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> $\cdots$ <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H $\cdots$ <i>A</i>
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