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4-Chloro-2-[(*E*)-(4-fluorophenyl)iminomethyl]phenol

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; T = 293 K; mean σ (C–C) = 0.005 Å; R factor = 0.056; wR factor = 0.153; data-to-parameter ratio = 13.0.

In the title Schiff base molecule, $C_{13}H_9CIFNO$, the benzene rings are twisted slightly with respect to each other, making a dihedral angle of 7.92 (2)°. An intramolecular $O-H\cdots N$ hydrogen bond occurs. In the crystal, an infinite chain is formed along the *c*-axis direction by $\pi-\pi$ stacking interactions between the phenyl rings and the six-membered hydrogenbonded ring of neighboring Schiff base ligands [centroid– centroid distances of 3.698 (2) and 3.660 (3) Å]. Neighboring chains are linked into a three-dimensional supramolecular structure by $C-H\cdots O$ and $C-H\cdots F$ hydrogen bonds.

Related literature

For the coordination modes of Schiff base ligands with transition metals, see: Ebrahimipour *et al.* (2012); Guo *et al.* (2013). For the biological activity of Schiff base ligands, see: Sawada *et al.* (2001); Ma *et al.* (2013); Siddiqui *et al.* (2006).



Experimental

Crystal data $C_{13}H_9CIFNO$ $M_r = 249.66$

Monoclinic, $P2_1/n$ a = 4.5140 (9) Å $b = 20.560 \text{ (4) } \text{\AA}$ $c = 12.0712 \text{ (19) } \text{\AA}$ $\beta = 94.153 \text{ (16)}^{\circ}$ $V = 1117.4 \text{ (3) } \text{\AA}^{3}$ Z = 4

Data collection

| Agilent Xcalibur (Eos, Gemini) | 6481 measured reflections |
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| diffractometer | 2016 independent reflections |
| Absorption correction: multi-scan | 1143 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ |
| (CrysAlis PRO; Agilent, 2011) | $R_{\rm int} = 0.065$ |
| $T_{\min} = 0.908, \ T_{\max} = 0.942$ | |

Refinement

| $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.056$ | 155 parameters |
|---------------------------------|--|
| $wR(F^2) = 0.153$ | H-atom parameters constrained |
| S = 1.04 | $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.19 \text{ e} \text{ \AA}^{-3}$ |
| 2016 reflections | $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.23 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ |

Table 1 Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

 $D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$ D-H $H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$ $D \cdot \cdot \cdot A$ $D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$ $C7 - H7 \cdot \cdot \cdot O1^i$ 0.93 2.69 3.569 (4) 158 $C10{-}H10{\cdot}\cdot\cdot F1^{ii}$ 0.93 2.67 147 3.481 (4) $O1 - H1 \cdot \cdot \cdot N1$ 0.82 1.88 2.613(3)148

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

Data collection: *CrysAlis PRO* (Agilent, 2011); cell refinement: *CrysAlis PRO*; data reduction: *CrysAlis PRO*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *ORTEPIII* (Burnett & Johnson, 1996); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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Mo $K\alpha$ radiation $\mu = 0.34 \text{ mm}^{-1}$

 $0.34 \times 0.27 \times 0.22 \text{ mm}$

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S1. Comment

Schiff bases are considered important compounds because of their wide range of biological activities, and also because of their use as ligands in conjunction with transition metals. Schiff base ligands usually coordinate to a metal ion through the imine nitrogen atom, but coordination *via* other functional groups, *e.g.* through oxygen or carbon, has also been reported (Ebrahimipour *et al.*, 2012; Guo *et al.*, 2013). Schiff bases derived from salicyladehyde and fluoroaniline, specifically, have been considered as potential pharmaceutically interesting compounds as several of the members of this family of molecules have shown antitumor, antimicrobial or antiviral activities (Sawada *et al.*, 2001; Ma *et al.*, 2013; Siddiqui *et al.*, 2006). As an extension of our work on the structural characterization of Schiff base compounds, the solid state structure of the title compound is reported.

The molecular structure of the title compound shows an E configuration, with a C8—N1=C7—C1 torsion angle of 178.33 (2) °. The bond distance of N1=C7 at 1.276 (3) Å is a typical double bond. It is noteworthy that the H1 atom bonded to O1 is involved in an O1—H1···N1 intramolecular hydrogen bond, which results in the formation of a sixmembered ring (Table 1). The dihedral angle between the two planes of the chlorophenol ring and fluorphenyl ring is 7.92 (2) °. An infinite chain is formed by two types of π - π stacking interactions between the phenyl rings (C1—C6 and C8—C13) and the six-membered hydrogen bonded ring (C1/C2/O1/H1/N1/C7) of neighboring Schiff base ligands, with centroid–centroid distances of 3.698 (2) and 3.660 (3) Å, respectively and interplanar spacings of 3.395 (2) Å (Fig. 2a). Finally, neighboring chains are linked into a three-dimensional supramolecular structure by weak C—H···O and C—H···F hydrogen bonding interactions (Fig. 2 b, Table 1).

S2. Experimental

Title compound was prepared by the condensation of 5-chlorosalicylaldehyde (0.783 g, 5 mmol) and 4-fluoroaniline (0.556 g, 5 mmol) in ethanol (15 ml) as the reaction medium. Glacial acetic acid (0.4 ml) was added and the solution was heated under reflux for 5 h and then allowed to cool to room temperature. The yellow precipitate was recrystallized from ethanol to give the title compound as straw yellow crystals. Yield 0.20 g (80%). [m.p. 361–363 K; IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 1637(s), 1560(m), 1508(w), 1460(w), 1392(w), 1324(w), 1288(w), 1210(w), 1120(w), 1054(w), 982(w), 932(w), 876(w), 810(w), 747(w), 709(w), 675(w), 564(w), 511(w); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, δ , p.p.m.) 13.11 (s, 1H), 8.55 (s, 1H), 6.99–7.39 (m, 7H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, δ , p.p.m.) 161.1, 161.0, 160.7, 159.6, 144.2, 144.1, 133.0, 131.2, 123.8, 122.7, 122.6, 119.9, 118.9, 116.5, 116.2].

S3. Refinement

H atoms were fixed geometrically and treated as riding with O—H = 0.82 Å (hydroxy) and C—H = 0.93 Å, $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2$ $U_{eq}(C)$ for aromatic H atoms and $U_{iso}(H) = 1.5$ $U_{eq}(O)$ for the hydroxy H atom. The hightest residual electron density peak is located 0.91 Å from H1 and the deepest hole is located 0.91 Å from C13.





The molecular structure of the title compound, showing 30% probability displacement ellipsoids.



Figure 2

(*a*) View of an infinite chain of the title compound formed by π - π stacking interactions (purple dashed lines); (*b*) View of the three-dimensional supramolecular structure of the title compound formed by C—H···O and C—H···F hydrogen bonds (blue dashed lines).

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| (CrysAlis PRO; Agilent, 2011) | $k = -23 \rightarrow 24$ |
| $T_{\min} = 0.908, \ T_{\max} = 0.942$ | $l = -14 \rightarrow 14$ |
| | |

F(000) = 512

 $\theta = 1.7 - 26.0^{\circ}$

 $\mu = 0.34 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 293 K

Block, yellow

 $0.34 \times 0.27 \times 0.22 \text{ mm}$

 $D_{\rm x} = 1.484 {\rm Mg} {\rm m}^{-3}$

Mo *K* α radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å

Cell parameters from 3100 reflections

Refinement

| Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier |
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| map |
| Hydrogen site location: inferred from |
| neighbouring sites |
| H-atom parameters constrained |
| $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0516P)^2]$ |
| where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ |
| $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$ |
| $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.19 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ |
| $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.23 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ |
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Special details

Geometry. All esds (except the esd in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell esds are taken into account individually in the estimation of esds in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between esds in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell esds is used for estimating esds 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 F², conventional R-factors R are based on F, with F set to zero for negative F^2 . The threshold expression of $F^2 > 2$ 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 F² 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 $(Å^2)$

| | x | У | Ζ | $U_{ m iso}$ */ $U_{ m eq}$ | |
|----|-------------|--------------|------------|-----------------------------|--|
| C1 | 0.2601 (7) | 0.22941 (16) | 0.7977 (3) | 0.0364 (8) | |
| C2 | 0.1287 (7) | 0.22602 (17) | 0.6887 (3) | 0.0409 (8) | |
| C3 | -0.0847 (8) | 0.17908 (18) | 0.6617 (3) | 0.0485 (10) | |
| Н3 | -0.1728 | 0.1772 | 0.5897 | 0.058* | |

| C 4 | 0.1(05(0) | 0 12522 (10) | 0.7205 (2) | 0.0400 (0) |
|------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| C4 | -0.1685 (8) | 0.13523 (18) | 0.7395 (3) | 0.0480 (9) |
| H4 | -0.3112 | 0.1038 | 0.7202 | 0.058* |
| C5 | -0.0384 (8) | 0.13834 (17) | 0.8465 (3) | 0.0462 (9) |
| C6 | 0.1714 (7) | 0.18464 (16) | 0.8761 (3) | 0.0456 (9) |
| H6 | 0.2552 | 0.1863 | 0.9488 | 0.055* |
| C7 | 0.4848 (7) | 0.27750 (17) | 0.8303 (3) | 0.0420 (9) |
| H7 | 0.5699 | 0.2772 | 0.9028 | 0.050* |
| C8 | 0.7834 (7) | 0.36833 (16) | 0.7949 (3) | 0.0380 (8) |
| C9 | 0.8940 (7) | 0.37974 (17) | 0.9038 (3) | 0.0477 (9) |
| Н9 | 0.8310 | 0.3540 | 0.9610 | 0.057* |
| C10 | 1.0968 (8) | 0.42908 (17) | 0.9277 (3) | 0.0517 (10) |
| H10 | 1.1698 | 0.4370 | 1.0005 | 0.062* |
| C11 | 1.1880 (8) | 0.46601 (17) | 0.8424 (3) | 0.0487 (9) |
| C12 | 1.0866 (8) | 0.45657 (18) | 0.7349 (3) | 0.0524 (10) |
| H12 | 1.1526 | 0.4824 | 0.6785 | 0.063* |
| C13 | 0.8819 (8) | 0.40728 (17) | 0.7116 (3) | 0.0494 (10) |
| H13 | 0.8093 | 0.4002 | 0.6385 | 0.059* |
| C11 | -0.1447 (3) | 0.08228 (5) | 0.94489 (9) | 0.0769 (4) |
| F1 | 1.3866 (5) | 0.51483 (10) | 0.86620 (19) | 0.0767 (7) |
| N1 | 0.5694 (6) | 0.32018 (13) | 0.7626 (2) | 0.0407 (7) |
| 01 | 0.2061 (6) | 0.26776 (13) | 0.60954 (19) | 0.0573 (7) |
| H1 | 0.3290 | 0.2937 | 0.6366 | 0.086* |

Atomic displacement parameters $(Å^2)$

| | U^{11} | U^{22} | U^{33} | U^{12} | U^{13} | U^{23} |
|-----|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| C1 | 0.0361 (18) | 0.039 (2) | 0.0332 (19) | 0.0018 (16) | -0.0011 (15) | -0.0019 (16) |
| C2 | 0.044 (2) | 0.043 (2) | 0.035 (2) | -0.0010 (17) | 0.0013 (16) | -0.0047 (17) |
| C3 | 0.052 (2) | 0.054 (2) | 0.038 (2) | 0.0012 (19) | -0.0047 (18) | -0.0142 (19) |
| C4 | 0.048 (2) | 0.044 (2) | 0.051 (2) | -0.0036 (18) | 0.0013 (19) | -0.0134 (19) |
| C5 | 0.053 (2) | 0.041 (2) | 0.044 (2) | -0.0051 (18) | 0.0023 (18) | -0.0012 (17) |
| C6 | 0.051 (2) | 0.048 (2) | 0.037 (2) | 0.0005 (18) | -0.0034 (17) | -0.0033 (18) |
| C7 | 0.0398 (19) | 0.046 (2) | 0.039 (2) | 0.0023 (17) | -0.0052 (16) | -0.0055 (18) |
| C8 | 0.0378 (19) | 0.036 (2) | 0.039 (2) | 0.0013 (15) | -0.0008 (16) | -0.0005 (17) |
| C9 | 0.052 (2) | 0.048 (2) | 0.043 (2) | -0.0075 (18) | 0.0015 (18) | -0.0019 (18) |
| C10 | 0.059 (2) | 0.049 (2) | 0.045 (2) | -0.0026 (19) | -0.0100 (19) | -0.0030 (19) |
| C11 | 0.045 (2) | 0.042 (2) | 0.058 (3) | -0.0080 (17) | -0.0024 (19) | -0.004 (2) |
| C12 | 0.056 (2) | 0.049 (2) | 0.053 (2) | -0.005 (2) | 0.007 (2) | 0.0058 (19) |
| C13 | 0.052 (2) | 0.053 (2) | 0.042 (2) | 0.0011 (19) | -0.0058 (18) | 0.0001 (19) |
| Cl1 | 0.0965 (9) | 0.0668 (8) | 0.0659 (7) | -0.0274 (6) | -0.0031 (6) | 0.0137 (6) |
| F1 | 0.0852 (16) | 0.0563 (15) | 0.0870 (17) | -0.0318 (13) | -0.0043 (13) | -0.0019 (13) |
| N1 | 0.0397 (16) | 0.0414 (17) | 0.0407 (17) | -0.0025 (14) | 0.0010 (13) | -0.0040 (15) |
| 01 | 0.0689 (19) | 0.0628 (18) | 0.0385 (14) | -0.0163 (14) | -0.0068 (13) | 0.0018 (14) |
| | | | | | | |

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

| C1—C6 | 1.400 (4) | C8—C13 | 1.384 (4) |
|-------|-----------|--------|-----------|
| C1—C2 | 1.406 (4) | С8—С9 | 1.392 (4) |

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| C1—C7 | 1.450 (4) | C8—N1 | 1.418 (4) |
|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| C2—O1 | 1.349 (4) | C9—C10 | 1.383 (5) |
| C2—C3 | 1.385 (4) | С9—Н9 | 0.9300 |
| C3—C4 | 1.374 (5) | C10—C11 | 1.366 (5) |
| С3—Н3 | 0.9300 | C10—H10 | 0.9300 |
| C4—C5 | 1.381 (5) | C11—C12 | 1.359 (5) |
| C4—H4 | 0.9300 | C11—F1 | 1.362 (4) |
| C5—C6 | 1.372 (4) | C12—C13 | 1.386 (5) |
| C5—Cl1 | 1.747 (4) | C12—H12 | 0.9300 |
| С6—Н6 | 0.9300 | C13—H13 | 0.9300 |
| C7—N1 | 1.276 (4) | O1—H1 | 0.8200 |
| С7—Н7 | 0.9300 | | |
| | | | |
| C6—C1—C2 | 118.6 (3) | C13—C8—C9 | 118.5 (3) |
| C6—C1—C7 | 119.6 (3) | C13—C8—N1 | 116.9 (3) |
| C2—C1—C7 | 121.8 (3) | C9—C8—N1 | 124.6 (3) |
| O1—C2—C3 | 119.2 (3) | C10—C9—C8 | 120.5 (3) |
| 01—C2—C1 | 121.2 (3) | С10—С9—Н9 | 119.8 |
| C3—C2—C1 | 119.5 (3) | С8—С9—Н9 | 119.8 |
| C4—C3—C2 | 121.2 (3) | C11—C10—C9 | 118.8 (3) |
| С4—С3—Н3 | 119.4 | C11—C10—H10 | 120.6 |
| С2—С3—Н3 | 119.4 | C9—C10—H10 | 120.6 |
| C3—C4—C5 | 119.3 (3) | C12—C11—F1 | 118.5 (3) |
| С3—С4—Н4 | 120.4 | C12—C11—C10 | 122.8 (4) |
| С5—С4—Н4 | 120.4 | F1-C11-C10 | 118.7 (3) |
| C6—C5—C4 | 121.0 (3) | C11—C12—C13 | 118.1 (4) |
| C6—C5—Cl1 | 119.9 (3) | C11—C12—H12 | 120.9 |
| C4—C5—Cl1 | 119.1 (3) | C13—C12—H12 | 120.9 |
| C5—C6—C1 | 120.4 (3) | C8—C13—C12 | 121.3 (3) |
| С5—С6—Н6 | 119.8 | C8—C13—H13 | 119.3 |
| C1-C6-H6 | 119.8 | C12—C13—H13 | 119.3 |
| N1—C7—C1 | 122.1 (3) | C7—N1—C8 | 122.3 (3) |
| N1—C7—H7 | 119.0 | C2—O1—H1 | 109.5 |
| С1—С7—Н7 | 119.0 | | |

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

| D—H···A | <i>D</i> —Н | Н…А | $D \cdots A$ | D—H···A | |
|--------------------------|-------------|------|--------------|---------|--|
| C7—H7···O1 ⁱ | 0.93 | 2.69 | 3.569 (4) | 158 | |
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