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# Crystal structure of (*E*)-1,3-dimethyl-2-[3-(3-nitrophenyl)triaz-2-en-1-ylidene]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*imidazole

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The title compound,  $C_{11}H_{12}N_6O_2$ , a  $\pi$ -conjugated triazene, crystallized with two independent molecules (*A* and *B*) in the asymmetric unit. Both molecules have an *E* conformation about the -N=N- bond and have slightly twisted overall conformations. In molecule *A*, the imidazole ring is inclined to the benzene ring by 8.12 (4)°, while in molecule *B* the two rings are inclined to one another by 7.73 (4)°. In the crystal, the independent molecules are linked to each other by C-H···O hydrogen bonds, forming -A-A-A- and -B-B-B- chains along [100]. The chains are linked by C-H···O and C-H···N hydrogen bonds, forming sheets lying parallel to (001). The sheets are linked by further C-H···N hydrogen bonds and  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions [centroid-centroid distance = 3.5243 (5) Å; involving the imidazole ring of molecule A and the benzene ring of molecule *B*], forming a three-dimensional framework structure.

#### 1. Chemical context

Triazenes are compounds containing three contiguous nitrogen atoms in a linear format with a double bond between the first and second N atoms; *i.e.*, -N=N-N-. The structure of the triazene moiety is influenced by the resonance arising from delocalization of the electron lone-pair on the third N atom, towards the double bond. Triazenes are relatively old compounds from the organic chemist's viewpoint. It was as early as 1862 that Griess described a suitable method for the synthesis of 1,3-diphenyltriazene (Griess, 1862). At that time, no applications for triazenes could be found and these compounds were ignored for many decades. Unsubstituted triazenes are unstable under normal conditions; however, substituted triazenes are normally thermally stable. More recently, attention has been paid to substituted triazenes, especially to 1-aryl-3,3-dialkyl-triazenes [which were synthesized for the first time by Baeyer & Jaeger (1875)] because some of them show activity as insecticides (Giraldi et al., 1990). Currently, triazenes have found uses as alkylating agents in tumor therapy (Rouzer et al., 1996), as iodo-masking groups in the synthesis of small (Nicolaou et al., 1999) and macromolecules (Jones et al., 1997), and in the preparation of N-containing heterocycles (Wirshun et al., 1998). The first report on a  $\pi$ -conjugated triazenes was by Winberg *et al.* (1965), and more recently, we have reported the syntheses and structures of a variety of such  $\pi$ -conjugated triazenes (Patil et al., 2014).



#### 2. Structural commentary

The molecular structures of the two independent molecules (A and B) of the title compound are illustrated in Fig. 1. Both molecules have an E conformation about the -N5=N4– and -N11=N10– bonds and the bond lengths and angles of the  $\pi$ -conjugated triazene unit (Table 1) are very similar to those in related structures (Khramov & Bielawski, 2005, 2007; Jish-kariani *et al.*, 2013; Tennyson *et al.*, 2010). The two molecules have slightly twisted overall conformations, with the imidazole ring (N1/N2/C1-C3) inclined to the benzene ring (C6–C11) by 8.12 (4)° in molecule A, while in molecule B the two rings (N7/N8/C12–C14 and C17–C22) are inclined to one another by 7.73 (4)°.



Figure 1

A view of the molecular structure of the two independent molecules (A and B) of the title compound, with atom labelling. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.



#### Figure 2

A view along the c axis of the crystal packing of title compound, with hydrogen bonds shown as dashed lines (see Table 2 for details).

Table 1	
Selected geometric parameters (Å, °)	).

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N3-C3	1.3532 (9)	N9-C14	1.3501 (9)
N3-N4	1.3318 (8)	N9-N10	1.3299 (8)
N4-N5	1.2856 (8)	N10-N11	1.2866 (8)
N4-N3-C3	112.23 (6)	N10-N9-C14	112.44 (6)
N5-N4-N3	111.84 (6)	N11-N10-N9	111.74 (6)
N4-N5-C6	111.86 (6)	N10-N11-C17	111.77 (6)

Table 2

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

Cg2 and Cg3 are the centroids of the benzene ring (C6–C11) of molecule A and the imidazole ring (N7/N8/C12–C14) ring of molecule B, respectively.

$D - H \cdots A$	$D-{\rm H}$	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
$C1-H1\cdots O3^{i}$	0.95	2.55	3.3223 (11)	139
$C16-H00B\cdots N5^{ii}$	0.98	2.50	3.4757 (11)	172
C16−H00C···N3 <sup>iii</sup>	0.98	2.61	3.5557 (11)	163
C8−H8···N9 <sup>iv</sup>	0.95	2.44	3.3882 (10)	178
C13-H13···N3 <sup>ii</sup>	0.95	2.60	3.5441 (10)	174
$C15-H15B\cdots O4^{v}$	0.98	2.48	3.3692 (11)	151
$C4-H4C\cdots Cg3^{vi}$	0.98	2.96	3.8391 (9)	150
$C15-H15A\cdots Cg2^{iii}$	0.98	2.80	3.5398 (9)	132

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

#### 3. Supramolecular features

In the crystal, the independent molecules are linked by C– H···O hydrogen bonds forming -A-A-A- and -B-B-Bchains along [100]. The chains are linked by C–H···O and C–H···N hydrogen bonds, forming sheets lying parallel to (001); see Fig. 2 and Table 2. The sheets are linked by further C–H···N hydrogen bonds and C–H··· $\pi$  and  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions [Cg1···Cg4<sup>i</sup> = 3.5243 (5) Å; Cg1 and Cg4 are the centroids of the imidazole ring of molecule A and the benzene ring of molecule B; symmetry code: (i) x, y, z – 1], forming a three-dimensional framework structure (Fig. 3 and Table 2).



#### Figure 3

A view along the *a* axis of the crystal packing of the title compound, with hydrogen bonds shown as dashed lines (see Table 2 for details; H atoms not involved in hydrogen bonds have been omitted for clarity).

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Table 3Experimental details.

Crystal data	
Chemical formula	$C_{11}H_{12}N_6O_2$
$M_{\rm r}$	260.27
Crystal system, space group	Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$
Temperature (K)	103
a, b, c (Å)	14.0377 (5), 12.9071 (5),
	14.2995 (5)
β (°)	113.6050 (8)
$V(Å^3)$	2374.08 (15)
Z	8
Radiation type	Μο Κα
$\mu (\text{mm}^{-1})$	0.11
Crystal size (mm)	$0.43 \times 0.33 \times 0.25$
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Data collection	
Diffractometer	Bruker SMART APEXII
Absorption correction	Multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker,
*	2014)
$T_{\min}, T_{\max}$	0.952, 1.000
No. of measured, independent and	60704, 14895, 10565
observed $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$ reflections	
R <sub>int</sub>	0.040
$(\sin \theta / \lambda)_{\text{max}} (\text{\AA}^{-1})$	0.916
Refinement	
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)], wR(F^2), S$	0.049, 0.128, 1.03
No. of reflections	14895
No. of parameters	347
H-atom treatment	H-atom parameters constrained
$\Delta \rho_{\rm max},  \Delta \rho_{\rm min}  ({\rm e}  {\rm \AA}^{-3})$	0.69, -0.30

Computer programs: *APEX2* and *SAINT* (Bruker, 2014), *SHELXS97* and *SHELXL2013* (Sheldrick 2008), *Mercury* (Macrae *et al.*, 2008), *PLATON* (Spek, 2009) and *publCIF* (Westrip, 2010).

#### 4. Database survey

The first synthesis of a  $\pi$ -conjugated triazene was reported on in 1965 (Winberg & Coffman, 1965). The first X-ray structure analysis of a  $\pi$ -conjugated triazene appeared many years later (Khramov *et al.*, 2005). A search of the WebCSD database, gave 15 hits for  $\pi$ -conjugated triazenes. Two of these structures (Patil *et al.*, 2014) employed 1,3-dimethylimidazolium iodide as the carbene precursor. Although, there is a compound that closely resembles the title compound in the literature (Patil *et al.*, 2014), it differs in the position of the nitro-substituent in the aromatic moiety. In the title compound, the nitro substituent is in the *meta* position, while the parallel report has the nitro substituent in the *para* position.

#### 5. Synthesis and crystallization

1-Azido-3-nitrobenzene was prepared according to the literature procedure (Siddiki *et al.*, 2013). The synthesis of 1,3dimethylimidazolium iodide was carried out accordingly to literature procedure (Oertel *et al.*, 2011). For the synthesis of the title compound, 1-azido-3-nitrobenzene (196 mg, 1.2 mmol) was added in one portion to a suspension of 1,3dimethylimidazolium iodide (134 mg, 0.6 mmol) in dry THF (5 mL) and stirred at room temperature for 5 min. In one portion, NaH (24 mg, 0.6 mmol, 60% in mineral oil) was added to the reaction vessel and the resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 6 h. The yellowish-orange precipitate that formed was collected by filtration and dried under reduced pressure, giving the title compound as an orange crystalline solid (yield 140 mg, 90%). Crystals were prepared by slow infusion of hexanes into a saturated THF solution of the title compound. IR (neat)  $\nu$  3439, 1601, 1398, 1357, 1191 cm<sup>-1. 1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  7.99 (*s*, 1H, Ph-H), 7.85–7.83 (*m*, 1H, Ph-H), 7.70–7.69 (*m*, 1 H, Ph-H), 7.55–7.52 (*m*, 1H, Ph-H), 7.06 (*s*, 2H, NCH) 3.60 (*s*, 6H, N-CH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  154.4, 151.1, 149.0, 130.6, 126.9, 118.8, 118.3, 114.4, 35.7. UV/Vis (0.1  $\mu$ M, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>):  $\lambda$  ( $\varepsilon$ ) = 455 nm. HRMS (ESI, N<sub>2</sub>): *m/z* calculated for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>13</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [*M* + H]<sup>+</sup> 261.1095, found 261.1094.

#### 6. Refinement

Crystal data, data collection and structure refinement details are summarized in Table 3. The C-bound H atoms were included in calculated positions and treated as riding atoms: C-H = 0.95 and 0.98 Å for CH and CH<sub>3</sub> H atoms, respectively, with  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.5U_{eq}(C)$  for methyl H atoms and =  $1.2U_{eq}(C)$  for other H atoms.

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## **Computing details**

Data collection: *APEX2* (Bruker, 2014); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2014); data reduction: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2014); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL2013* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *Mercury* (Macrae *et al.*, 2008); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL2013* (Sheldrick, 2008), *PLATON* (Spek, 2009) and *publCIF* (Westrip, 2010).

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Crystal data	
$C_{11}H_{12}N_6O_2$ $M_r = 260.27$ Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$ $a = 14.0377 (5) Å$ $b = 12.9071 (5) Å$ $c = 14.2995 (5) Å$ $\beta = 113.6050 (8)^{\circ}$ $V = 2374.08 (15) Å^3$ $Z = 8$	F(000) = 1088 $D_x = 1.456 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo <i>Ka</i> radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ Å}$ Cell parameters from 9007 reflections $\theta = 3.1-40.1^{\circ}$ $\mu = 0.11 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 103  K Prism, orange $0.43 \times 0.33 \times 0.25 \text{ mm}$
Data collection	
Bruker SMART APEXII diffractometer $\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans Absorption correction: multi-scan ( <i>SADABS</i> ; Bruker, 2014) $T_{\min} = 0.952, T_{\max} = 1.000$ 60704 measured reflections	14895 independent reflections 10565 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $R_{int} = 0.040$ $\theta_{max} = 40.7^\circ, \ \theta_{min} = 2.9^\circ$ $h = -25 \rightarrow 25$ $k = -23 \rightarrow 23$ $l = -26 \rightarrow 26$
Refinement	
Refinement on $F^2$ Least-squares matrix: full $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.049$ $wR(F^2) = 0.128$ S = 1.03 14895 reflections 347 parameters 0 restraints 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 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.060P)^2 + 0.4222P]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.001$ $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.69$ e Å <sup>-3</sup> $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.30$ e Å <sup>-3</sup>

#### 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.

	x	у	Ζ	$U_{ m iso}$ */ $U_{ m eq}$
01	1.41154 (5)	0.17070 (6)	0.07592 (6)	0.02761 (14)
O2	1.35616 (5)	0.32803 (5)	0.07112 (6)	0.02894 (15)
N1	0.69882 (5)	0.35407 (5)	0.09704 (5)	0.01430 (10)
N2	0.74421 (5)	0.19273 (5)	0.09668 (5)	0.01287 (10)
N3	0.86553 (5)	0.33461 (5)	0.09907 (5)	0.01281 (10)
N4	0.93463 (4)	0.26313 (5)	0.10078 (4)	0.01161 (9)
N5	1.01715 (5)	0.30405 (5)	0.09846 (5)	0.01286 (10)
N6	1.34736 (5)	0.23387 (6)	0.07898 (5)	0.01852 (12)
C1	0.64415 (5)	0.19428 (6)	0.09429 (6)	0.01542 (12)
H1	0.6029	0.1354	0.0927	0.019*
C2	0.61618 (5)	0.29407 (6)	0.09470 (6)	0.01605 (12)
H2	0.5519	0.3186	0.0936	0.019*
C3	0.77707 (5)	0.29211 (5)	0.09821 (5)	0.01153 (10)
C4	0.79822 (6)	0.09749 (6)	0.09254 (6)	0.01641 (12)
H4A	0.8149	0.0987	0.0322	0.025*
H4B	0.7535	0.0379	0.0884	0.025*
H4C	0.8626	0.0918	0.1542	0.025*
C5	0.70332 (7)	0.46623 (6)	0.09997 (8)	0.02396 (16)
H5A	0.7448	0.4892	0.1699	0.036*
H5B	0.6328	0.4943	0.0774	0.036*
H5C	0.7354	0.4910	0.0546	0.036*
C6	1.09080 (5)	0.22826 (5)	0.10102 (5)	0.01144 (10)
C7	1.08081 (6)	0.12097 (5)	0.11242 (6)	0.01449 (11)
H7	1.0200	0.0949	0.1180	0.017*
C8	1.15869 (6)	0.05259 (6)	0.11562 (6)	0.01589 (12)
H8	1.1512	-0.0194	0.1249	0.019*
C9	1.24754 (6)	0.08873 (6)	0.10535 (6)	0.01545 (12)
H9	1.3009	0.0426	0.1071	0.019*
C10	1.25535 (5)	0.19462 (6)	0.09241 (5)	0.01371 (11)
C11	1.18020 (5)	0.26503 (5)	0.09144 (5)	0.01285 (11)
H11	1.1893	0.3371	0.0844	0.015*
O3	0.37570 (6)	0.04437 (6)	0.82832 (7)	0.03536 (18)
O4	0.28471 (5)	0.17434 (6)	0.84106 (6)	0.02731 (14)
N7	1.02372 (4)	0.23808 (5)	0.84318 (5)	0.01204 (10)
N8	0.94498 (5)	0.37758 (5)	0.86112 (5)	0.01262 (10)
N9	0.86200 (5)	0.20437 (5)	0.84779 (5)	0.01280 (10)
N10	0.77639 (4)	0.25054 (5)	0.84548 (5)	0.01187 (9)
N11	0.70763 (5)	0.18431 (5)	0.84484 (5)	0.01359 (10)
N12	0.36319 (5)	0.13767 (6)	0.83579 (6)	0.01928 (12)

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters  $(A^2)$ 

C12	1.08846 (5)	0.32082 (6)	0.84914 (6)	0.01436 (11)
H12	1.1547	0.3174	0.8459	0.017*
C13	1.03999 (6)	0.40748 (6)	0.86051 (6)	0.01455 (12)
H13	1.0660	0.4762	0.8669	0.017*
C14	0.93575 (5)	0.27292 (5)	0.85061 (5)	0.01114 (10)
C15	1.04585 (5)	0.12916 (6)	0.83482 (6)	0.01494 (12)
H15A	1.0610	0.0946	0.9003	0.022*
H15B	1.1061	0.1231	0.8169	0.022*
H15C	0.9854	0.0964	0.7817	0.022*
C16	0.87328 (6)	0.45063 (6)	0.87669 (7)	0.01784 (13)
H00A	0.8088	0.4537	0.8149	0.027*
H00B	0.9052	0.5195	0.8912	0.027*
H00C	0.8576	0.4277	0.9343	0.027*
C17	0.61624 (5)	0.23313 (5)	0.84061 (5)	0.01230 (11)
C18	0.59905 (6)	0.34078 (6)	0.83778 (6)	0.01640 (12)
H18	0.6516	0.3870	0.8374	0.020*
C19	0.50599 (6)	0.37999 (6)	0.83552 (7)	0.01905 (14)
H19	0.4958	0.4528	0.8338	0.023*
C20	0.42745 (6)	0.31436 (6)	0.83575 (6)	0.01717 (13)
H20	0.3641	0.3410	0.8352	0.021*
C21	0.44519 (5)	0.20858 (6)	0.83684 (6)	0.01418 (11)
C22	0.53703 (5)	0.16660 (6)	0.83938 (6)	0.01394 (11)
H22	0.5461	0.0936	0.8403	0.017*

Atomic displacement parameters  $(Å^2)$ 

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
01	0.0170 (3)	0.0305 (3)	0.0415 (4)	0.0060 (2)	0.0181 (3)	0.0032 (3)
O2	0.0208 (3)	0.0227 (3)	0.0491 (4)	-0.0023 (2)	0.0200 (3)	0.0063 (3)
N1	0.0111 (2)	0.0138 (2)	0.0193 (3)	0.00077 (18)	0.0074 (2)	-0.0021 (2)
N2	0.0114 (2)	0.0121 (2)	0.0160 (2)	-0.00117 (18)	0.00653 (19)	-0.00044 (19)
N3	0.0110 (2)	0.0111 (2)	0.0178 (3)	0.00034 (17)	0.00737 (19)	-0.00037 (19)
N4	0.0106 (2)	0.0111 (2)	0.0141 (2)	0.00008 (17)	0.00600 (18)	-0.00066 (18)
N5	0.0115 (2)	0.0108 (2)	0.0184 (3)	0.00012 (17)	0.0082 (2)	0.00033 (19)
N6	0.0117 (2)	0.0232 (3)	0.0219 (3)	0.0010 (2)	0.0081 (2)	0.0025 (2)
C1	0.0117 (3)	0.0181 (3)	0.0177 (3)	-0.0026 (2)	0.0071 (2)	-0.0003 (2)
C2	0.0112 (3)	0.0201 (3)	0.0183 (3)	-0.0011 (2)	0.0074 (2)	-0.0017 (2)
C3	0.0104 (2)	0.0118 (2)	0.0129 (3)	-0.00022 (19)	0.0053 (2)	-0.0012 (2)
C4	0.0168 (3)	0.0109 (3)	0.0226 (3)	-0.0004 (2)	0.0091 (3)	-0.0003 (2)
C5	0.0183 (3)	0.0141 (3)	0.0405 (5)	0.0018 (2)	0.0129 (3)	-0.0054 (3)
C6	0.0114 (2)	0.0105 (2)	0.0133 (3)	0.00012 (19)	0.0059 (2)	-0.0003 (2)
C7	0.0151 (3)	0.0110 (2)	0.0198 (3)	-0.0003 (2)	0.0096 (2)	-0.0001 (2)
C8	0.0169 (3)	0.0111 (3)	0.0206 (3)	0.0013 (2)	0.0085 (2)	-0.0004 (2)
C9	0.0134 (3)	0.0147 (3)	0.0181 (3)	0.0027 (2)	0.0062 (2)	-0.0014 (2)
C10	0.0104 (2)	0.0160 (3)	0.0156 (3)	0.0001 (2)	0.0061 (2)	-0.0002 (2)
C11	0.0114 (2)	0.0127 (3)	0.0154 (3)	-0.0003 (2)	0.0063 (2)	0.0004 (2)
03	0.0258 (3)	0.0183 (3)	0.0696 (6)	-0.0036 (2)	0.0271 (4)	0.0009 (3)
O4	0.0134 (2)	0.0315 (3)	0.0412 (4)	0.0020 (2)	0.0153 (3)	0.0029 (3)

N7	0.0102 (2)	0.0114 (2)	0.0153 (2)	-0.00043 (17)	0.00589 (18)	-0.00002 (18)
N8	0.0132 (2)	0.0096 (2)	0.0164 (2)	-0.00070 (18)	0.00730 (19)	0.00062 (18)
N9	0.0106 (2)	0.0106 (2)	0.0190 (3)	-0.00018 (17)	0.00774 (19)	0.00041 (19)
N10	0.0105 (2)	0.0119 (2)	0.0140 (2)	0.00009 (17)	0.00575 (18)	0.00015 (18)
N11	0.0114 (2)	0.0120 (2)	0.0194 (3)	0.00001 (18)	0.0083 (2)	0.00108 (19)
N12	0.0125 (2)	0.0210 (3)	0.0260 (3)	-0.0008 (2)	0.0093 (2)	0.0023 (2)
C12	0.0117 (3)	0.0150 (3)	0.0172 (3)	-0.0023 (2)	0.0067 (2)	0.0013 (2)
C13	0.0139 (3)	0.0131 (3)	0.0172 (3)	-0.0029 (2)	0.0068 (2)	0.0010 (2)
C14	0.0105 (2)	0.0104 (2)	0.0130 (3)	-0.00021 (19)	0.0052 (2)	0.00045 (19)
C15	0.0134 (3)	0.0124 (3)	0.0200 (3)	0.0021 (2)	0.0077 (2)	0.0006 (2)
C16	0.0198 (3)	0.0102 (3)	0.0278 (4)	0.0011 (2)	0.0140 (3)	-0.0004 (2)
C17	0.0108 (2)	0.0124 (3)	0.0145 (3)	0.00085 (19)	0.0058 (2)	0.0005 (2)
C18	0.0150 (3)	0.0124 (3)	0.0237 (3)	0.0004 (2)	0.0098 (3)	0.0003 (2)
C19	0.0167 (3)	0.0134 (3)	0.0289 (4)	0.0030 (2)	0.0111 (3)	0.0004 (3)
C20	0.0131 (3)	0.0173 (3)	0.0222 (3)	0.0029 (2)	0.0082 (2)	0.0001 (2)
C21	0.0105 (2)	0.0157 (3)	0.0172 (3)	-0.0002 (2)	0.0064 (2)	0.0004 (2)
C22	0.0115 (2)	0.0131 (3)	0.0184 (3)	0.0006 (2)	0.0071 (2)	0.0010 (2)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

01—N6	1.2288 (9)	O3—N12	1.2278 (10)
O2—N6	1.2313 (10)	O4—N12	1.2287 (9)
N1—C3	1.3534 (9)	N7—C14	1.3578 (9)
N1—C2	1.3841 (9)	N7—C12	1.3827 (9)
N1—C5	1.4489 (10)	N7—C15	1.4549 (9)
N2—C3	1.3603 (9)	N8—C14	1.3597 (9)
N2—C1	1.3914 (9)	N8—C13	1.3918 (9)
N2—C4	1.4578 (9)	N8—C16	1.4598 (9)
N3—C3	1.3532 (9)	N9—C14	1.3501 (9)
N3—N4	1.3318 (8)	N9—N10	1.3299 (8)
N4—N5	1.2856 (8)	N10—N11	1.2866 (8)
N5—C6	1.4132 (9)	N11—C17	1.4087 (9)
N6—C10	1.4699 (9)	N12—C21	1.4659 (10)
C1—C2	1.3473 (11)	C12—C13	1.3525 (10)
C1—H1	0.9500	C12—H12	0.9500
С2—Н2	0.9500	С13—Н13	0.9500
C4—H4A	0.9800	C15—H15A	0.9800
C4—H4B	0.9800	C15—H15B	0.9800
C4—H4C	0.9800	C15—H15C	0.9800
С5—Н5А	0.9800	C16—H00A	0.9800
С5—Н5В	0.9800	C16—H00B	0.9800
C5—H5C	0.9800	C16—H00C	0.9800
C6—C11	1.3987 (9)	C17—C22	1.3994 (10)
C6—C7	1.4078 (10)	C17—C18	1.4081 (10)
С7—С8	1.3916 (10)	C18—C19	1.3893 (10)
С7—Н7	0.9500	C18—H18	0.9500
C8—C9	1.3934 (10)	C19—C20	1.3913 (11)
С8—Н8	0.9500	С19—Н19	0.9500

C9—C10	1.3893 (10)	C20—C21	1.3868 (11)
С9—Н9	0.9500	C20—H20	0.9500
C10—C11	1.3884 (10)	C21—C22	1.3855 (10)
C11—H11	0.9500	С22—Н22	0.9500
C3—N1—C2	109.75 (6)	C14—N7—C12	109.60 (6)
C3—N1—C5	124.35 (6)	C14—N7—C15	123.86 (6)
C2—N1—C5	125.89 (6)	C12—N7—C15	126.49 (6)
C3—N2—C1	108.62 (6)	C14—N8—C13	108.90 (6)
C3—N2—C4	128.12 (6)	C14—N8—C16	128.14 (6)
C1—N2—C4	123.19 (6)	C13—N8—C16	122.88 (6)
N4—N3—C3	112.23 (6)	N10—N9—C14	112.44 (6)
N5—N4—N3	111.84 (6)	N11—N10—N9	111.74 (6)
N4—N5—C6	111.86 (6)	N10—N11—C17	111.77 (6)
O1—N6—O2	123.36 (7)	O3—N12—O4	123.10(7)
O1—N6—C10	118.10 (7)	O3—N12—C21	118.31 (6)
O2—N6—C10	118.54 (7)	O4—N12—C21	118.59 (7)
C2—C1—N2	107.86 (6)	C13—C12—N7	107.23 (6)
C2—C1—H1	126.1	C13—C12—H12	126.4
N2—C1—H1	126.1	N7—C12—H12	126.4
C1-C2-N1	106.98 (6)	C12—C13—N8	107.52 (6)
C1 - C2 - H2	126.5	C12—C13—H13	126.2
N1-C2-H2	126.5	N8—C13—H13	126.2
N1-C3-N3	119.86 (6)	N9-C14-N7	119.42 (6)
N1-C3-N2	106 78 (6)	N9-C14-N8	133 82 (6)
N3_C3_N2	133 35 (6)	N7-C14-N8	106 75 (6)
$N_2 - C_4 - H_4 A$	109.5	N7-C15-H15A	109.5
N2 - C4 - H4B	109.5	N7—C15—H15B	109.5
$H_{4} - C_{4} - H_{4}B$	109.5	$H_{15A}$ $C_{15}$ $H_{15B}$	109.5
N2 - C4 - H4C	109.5	N7_C15_H15C	109.5
$H_{4} - C_{4} - H_{4}C$	109.5	$H_{15} - C_{15} - H_{15} C$	109.5
H4B-C4-H4C	109.5	H15B-C15-H15C	109.5
N1 C5 H5A	109.5	N8 C16 H00A	109.5
N1 C5 H5B	109.5	N8 C16 H00B	109.5
	109.5	$H_{00A} = C_{16} = H_{00B}$	109.5
N1 C5 H5C	109.5	N8 C16 H00C	109.5
	109.5		109.5
H5R C5 H5C	109.5	H00R C16 H00C	109.5
	109.5	$C_{22} C_{17} C_{18}$	109.5
$C_{11} = C_{0} = C_{7}$	116.09 (0)	$C_{22} = C_{17} = C_{18}$	116.05 (0)
C7 C6 N5	115.99 (0)	$C_{22}$ $C_{17}$ $N_{11}$	113.30(0)
$C^{2} = C^{2} = C^{2}$	123.31(0) 120.05(6)	$C_{10} = C_{17} = N_{11}$	123.81(0) 120.58(7)
$C_{0} = C_{1} = C_{0}$	120.93 (0)	$C_{19} = C_{10} = C_{17}$	120.38 (7)
$C_{0} - C_{1} - \Pi_{1}$	117.J 110 <b>5</b>	$C_{17} = C_{10} = \Pi_{10}$	119./ 110 7
$C_{0} = C_{1} = C_{0}$	117.3	$C_{17} = C_{10} = C_{10}$	119.7
$C_{1} = C_{2} = C_{2}$	120.38 (7)	$C_{10} = C_{10} = U_{10}$	121.12(/)
$C_{1} = C_{2} = H_{2}$	119./	$C_{10} = C_{10} = H_{10}$	119.4
	117.72 (0)	$C_{20} = C_{19} = H_{19}$	117.42 (7)
010-09-08	11/./2(0)	C21-C20-C19	11/.42(7)

# supporting information

С10—С9—Н9	121.1	C21—C20—H20	121.3	
С8—С9—Н9	121.1	C19—C20—H20	121.3	
С11—С10—С9	123.03 (6)	C22—C21—C20	123.12 (7)	
C11-C10-N6	118.49 (6)	C22—C21—N12	118.34 (6)	
C9—C10—N6	118.48 (6)	C20-C21-N12	118.55 (6)	
C10-C11-C6	119.00 (6)	C21—C22—C17	119.12 (6)	
C10-C11-H11	120.5	C21—C22—H22	120.4	
C6-C11-H11	120.5	C17—C22—H22	120.4	

## Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

Cg2 and Cg3 are the centroids of the benzene ring (C6-C11) of molecule A and the imidazole ring (N7/N8/C12-C14) ring of molecule B, respectively.

D—H···A	D—H	H···A	D····A	<i>D</i> —H··· <i>A</i>
C1—H1…O3 <sup>i</sup>	0.95	2.55	3.3223 (11)	139
C16—H00 <i>B</i> ···N5 <sup>ii</sup>	0.98	2.50	3.4757 (11)	172
C16—H00C····N3 <sup>iii</sup>	0.98	2.61	3.5557 (11)	163
C8—H8····N9 <sup>iv</sup>	0.95	2.44	3.3882 (10)	178
C13—H13…N3 <sup>ii</sup>	0.95	2.60	3.5441 (10)	174
C15—H15 <i>B</i> ····O4 <sup>v</sup>	0.98	2.48	3.3692 (11)	151
C4—H4 $C$ ··· $Cg$ 3 <sup>vi</sup>	0.98	2.96	3.8391 (9)	150
C15—H15 $A$ ···Cg2 <sup>iii</sup>	0.98	2.80	3.5398 (9)	132

Symmetry codes: (i) -*x*+1, -*y*, -*z*+1; (ii) -*x*+2, -*y*+1, -*z*+1; (iii) *x*, *y*, *z*+1; (iv) -*x*+2, -*y*, -*z*+1; (v) *x*+1, *y*, *z*; (vi) *x*, -*y*-1/2, *z*-3/2.