

# (E)-4-Nitro-2-[(phenylimino)methyl]phenol

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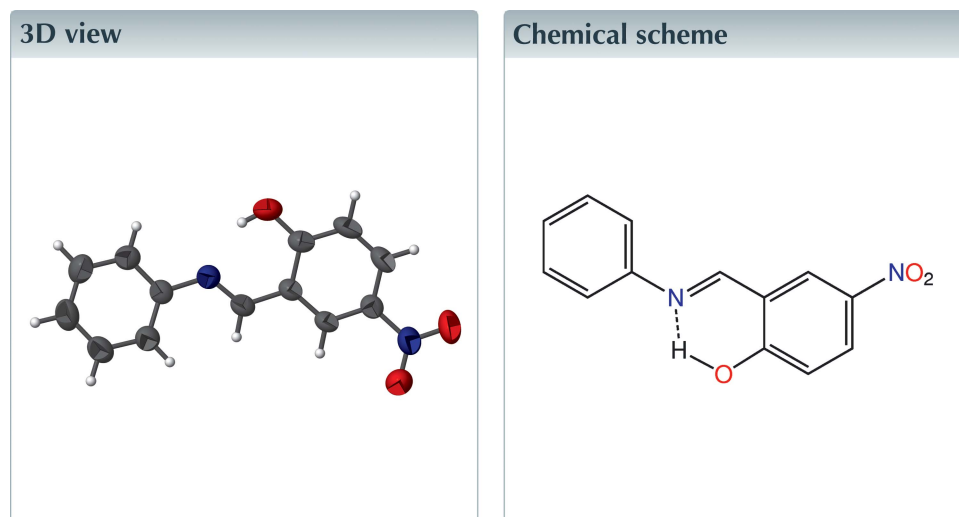
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In the title compound, C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, the dihedral angle between the planes of the two aryl rings is 7.42 (10)°. An intramolecular O—H···N hydrogen bond generates an S(6) ring. The crystal structure features C—H···O hydrogen bonds.

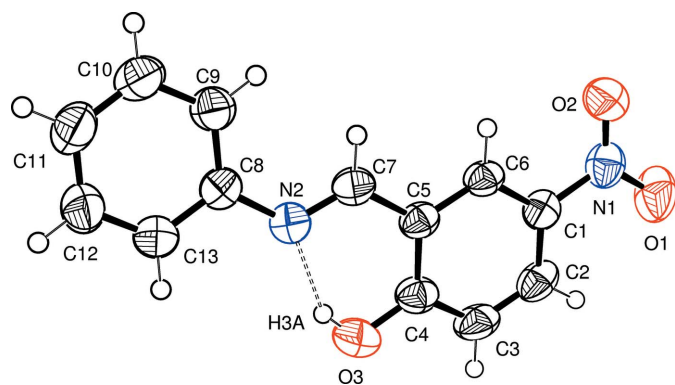


## Structure description

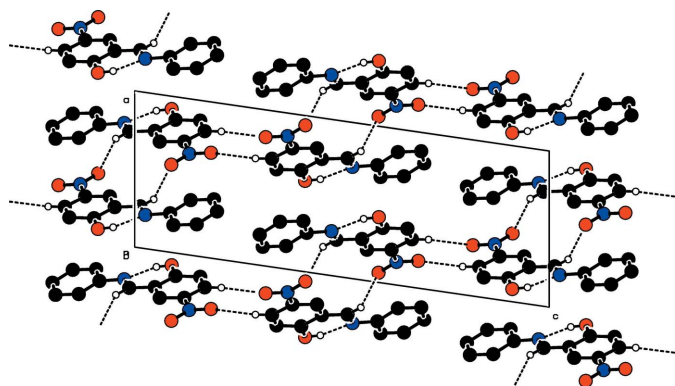
We report here the synthesis and characterization of the title Schiff base derivative (Fig. 1) prepared from the condensation reaction of an equimolar proportion of 5-nitrosalicylaldehyde and aniline in CCl<sub>4</sub>. The diversified nature of salicylaldehyde derivatives containing Schiff bases as an integral part of the structure exhibit a variety of important biological properties, including anti-bacterial, anti-cancer and anti-tumor activities (Ida Malarselvi *et al.*, 2016).

The benzene and phenyl rings are inclined at 7.42 (10)° to one another. The molecule has an *E* conformation about the C=N bond, and the C5—C7=N2—C8 torsion angle is −177.03 (16)°. The 4-nitro group is slightly tilted away from the benzene ring to which it is attached [O1—N1—C1—C2 = −5.8 (3)° and O2—N1—C1—C6 = −2.7 (3)°]. The strong intramolecular O3—H3A···N2 hydrogen bond (N···H distance of 1.83 Å) generates an S(6) ring. The strong band in the IR at 1632 cm<sup>−1</sup> is assigned to the C7=N2 stretching frequency of the imine group of Schiff base with the C7=N2 bond distance of 1.276 (2) Å indicative of double-bond character. The crystal structure features C2—H2···O1 and C7—H7···O2 hydrogen bonds (Table 1, Fig. 2).

Yan *et al.*, (2014) have reported the crystal structure of 4-bromo-2-[(phenylimino)methyl]phenol, in which the molecule is essentially planar (r.m.s. deviation = 0.026 Å).



**Figure 1**  
A view of the title molecule with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level. A dashed line indicates the hydrogen-bonding interaction.



**Figure 2**  
The crystal packing of the title compound, viewed along the *b* axis. Hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines (see Table 1). H atoms not involved in hydrogen bonding have been omitted for clarity.

### Synthesis and crystallization

0.2 g (0.001 mol) of 5-nitrosalicylaldehyde was dissolved in 5 ml of  $\text{CCl}_4$ . To this solution, 0.1 g (0.111 mol) of aniline was added dropwise with constant stirring for 1 h. During this time, the solution turned deep yellow. On standing for two weeks with slow evaporation of the solvent, yellow crystals of the title compound were obtained.

### Refinement

Crystal data, data collection and structure refinement details are summarized in Table 2.

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**Table 1**  
Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ ).

<i>D</i> –H··· <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> –H	H··· <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> ··· <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> –H··· <i>A</i>
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Symmetry codes: (i)  $-x + \frac{1}{2}, y + \frac{1}{2}, -z - \frac{1}{2}$ ; (ii)  $-x + 1, -y, -z$ .

**Table 2**  
Experimental details.

Crystal data	
Chemical formula	$\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{10}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$
$M_r$	242.23
Crystal system, space group	Monoclinic, $P2_1/n$
Temperature (K)	296
<i>a</i> , <i>b</i> , <i>c</i> ( $\text{\AA}$ )	8.0774 (10), 6.5801 (6), 21.668 (3)
$\beta$ ( $^\circ$ )	98.240 (5)
<i>V</i> ( $\text{\AA}^3$ )	1139.8 (2)
<i>Z</i>	4
Radiation type	Mo $K\alpha$
$\mu$ ( $\text{mm}^{-1}$ )	0.10
Crystal size (mm)	0.30 × 0.25 × 0.20
Data collection	
Diffractometer	Bruker Kappa APEXII CCD
Absorption correction	Multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 2004)
$T_{\min}$ , $T_{\max}$	0.95, 0.96
No. of measured, independent and observed [ $I > 2\sigma(I)$ ] reflections	15249, 2857, 1645
$R_{\text{int}}$	0.029
$(\sin \theta/\lambda)_{\text{max}}$ ( $\text{\AA}^{-1}$ )	0.669
Refinement	
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)]$ , $wR(F^2)$ , $S$	0.046, 0.135, 1.04
No. of reflections	2857
No. of parameters	164
H-atom treatment	H-atom parameters constrained
$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}}$ , $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}}$ ( $\text{e \AA}^{-3}$ )	0.17, −0.22

Computer programs: APEX2, SAINT and XPREP (Bruker, 2004), SIR92 (Altomare *et al.*, 1993), ORTEP-3 for Windows (Farrugia, 2012), SHELXL2016 (Sheldrick, 2015), PLATON (Spek, 2009) and publCIF (Westrip, 2010).

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## full crystallographic data

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$\beta = 98.240$  (5)°

$V = 1139.8$  (2) Å<sup>3</sup>

$Z = 4$

$F(000) = 504$

$D_x = 1.412$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71073$  Å

Cell parameters from 3323 reflections

$\theta = 4.0$ – $24.5$ °

$\mu = 0.10$  mm<sup>-1</sup>

$T = 296$  K

Block, colourless

$0.30 \times 0.25 \times 0.20$  mm

*Data collection*

Bruker Kappa APEXII CCD  
diffractometer

Radiation source: Sealed tube

$\omega$  and  $\phi$  scan

Absorption correction: multi-scan  
(SADABS; Bruker, 2004)

$T_{\min} = 0.95$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.96$

15249 measured reflections

2857 independent reflections

1645 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$

$R_{\text{int}} = 0.029$

$\theta_{\max} = 28.4$ °,  $\theta_{\min} = 2.6$ °

$h = -10 \rightarrow 9$

$k = -8 \rightarrow 8$

$l = -28 \rightarrow 28$

*Refinement*

Refinement on  $F^2$

Least-squares matrix: full

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.046$

$wR(F^2) = 0.135$

$S = 1.04$

2857 reflections

164 parameters

0 restraints

Hydrogen site location: inferred from  
neighbouring sites

H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0473P)^2 + 0.3112P]$

where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$

$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.17$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.22$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

*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.

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

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
C1	0.2784 (2)	0.1044 (3)	-0.11963 (7)	0.0468 (4)
C2	0.1930 (3)	0.2130 (3)	-0.16876 (8)	0.0563 (5)
H2	0.179342	0.159614	-0.208907	0.068*
C3	0.1293 (3)	0.3986 (3)	-0.15790 (8)	0.0608 (5)
H3	0.072527	0.472297	-0.190992	0.073*
C4	0.1474 (2)	0.4797 (3)	-0.09835 (8)	0.0508 (5)
C5	0.2374 (2)	0.3697 (3)	-0.04848 (7)	0.0450 (4)
C6	0.3016 (2)	0.1809 (3)	-0.06025 (7)	0.0464 (4)
H6	0.360524	0.106126	-0.027877	0.056*
C7	0.2662 (2)	0.4542 (3)	0.01343 (8)	0.0506 (5)
H7	0.323271	0.377170	0.045658	0.061*
C8	0.2495 (2)	0.7204 (3)	0.08524 (8)	0.0464 (4)
C9	0.3526 (2)	0.6347 (3)	0.13497 (8)	0.0565 (5)
H9	0.403539	0.509943	0.130314	0.068*
C10	0.3796 (3)	0.7343 (3)	0.19118 (9)	0.0643 (6)
H10	0.449407	0.677035	0.224503	0.077*
C11	0.3043 (3)	0.9175 (4)	0.19849 (10)	0.0705 (6)
H11	0.322110	0.983561	0.236820	0.085*
C12	0.2030 (3)	1.0033 (3)	0.14949 (10)	0.0696 (6)
H12	0.151911	1.127794	0.154403	0.083*
C13	0.1768 (2)	0.9057 (3)	0.09319 (9)	0.0567 (5)
H13	0.108938	0.965574	0.059827	0.068*
N1	0.3522 (2)	-0.0902 (2)	-0.13139 (7)	0.0586 (4)
N2	0.21561 (19)	0.6317 (2)	0.02536 (6)	0.0486 (4)
O1	0.3253 (2)	-0.1609 (2)	-0.18406 (7)	0.0843 (5)
O2	0.4381 (2)	-0.1762 (2)	-0.08827 (7)	0.0723 (5)
O3	0.08189 (19)	0.6599 (2)	-0.08898 (6)	0.0665 (4)
H3A	0.106727	0.692303	-0.052274	0.100*

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

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
C1	0.0517 (11)	0.0475 (10)	0.0416 (9)	-0.0074 (8)	0.0083 (8)	0.0025 (7)
C2	0.0634 (13)	0.0679 (13)	0.0357 (9)	-0.0131 (10)	0.0005 (8)	0.0027 (8)
C3	0.0643 (13)	0.0672 (13)	0.0456 (10)	-0.0038 (10)	-0.0102 (9)	0.0162 (9)
C4	0.0474 (11)	0.0519 (11)	0.0518 (10)	-0.0024 (9)	0.0028 (8)	0.0111 (8)
C5	0.0453 (10)	0.0492 (10)	0.0396 (9)	-0.0041 (8)	0.0027 (7)	0.0052 (7)
C6	0.0494 (11)	0.0506 (10)	0.0378 (9)	-0.0009 (8)	0.0009 (7)	0.0072 (7)
C7	0.0540 (12)	0.0545 (11)	0.0422 (9)	0.0021 (9)	0.0032 (8)	0.0063 (8)
C8	0.0416 (10)	0.0518 (10)	0.0465 (9)	-0.0046 (8)	0.0091 (8)	0.0000 (8)
C9	0.0554 (12)	0.0619 (12)	0.0525 (11)	0.0060 (9)	0.0087 (9)	-0.0016 (9)
C10	0.0556 (13)	0.0841 (15)	0.0515 (11)	0.0048 (11)	0.0018 (9)	-0.0030 (10)
C11	0.0585 (14)	0.0892 (16)	0.0627 (13)	-0.0009 (12)	0.0048 (10)	-0.0242 (11)
C12	0.0649 (15)	0.0666 (13)	0.0758 (14)	0.0072 (11)	0.0056 (11)	-0.0184 (11)
C13	0.0511 (12)	0.0586 (12)	0.0590 (11)	0.0041 (9)	0.0029 (9)	-0.0009 (9)

N1	0.0688 (12)	0.0590 (10)	0.0495 (9)	-0.0078 (9)	0.0134 (8)	-0.0047 (8)
N2	0.0477 (9)	0.0506 (9)	0.0483 (8)	-0.0002 (7)	0.0091 (7)	0.0006 (7)
O1	0.1271 (16)	0.0753 (10)	0.0519 (8)	-0.0080 (9)	0.0177 (9)	-0.0165 (7)
O2	0.0777 (11)	0.0665 (9)	0.0702 (10)	0.0142 (8)	0.0022 (8)	-0.0039 (7)
O3	0.0689 (10)	0.0614 (9)	0.0662 (9)	0.0136 (7)	-0.0008 (7)	0.0115 (7)

*Geometric parameters (Å, °)*

C1—C6	1.369 (2)	C8—C9	1.384 (2)
C1—C2	1.382 (2)	C8—N2	1.413 (2)
C1—N1	1.450 (2)	C9—C10	1.373 (3)
C2—C3	1.359 (3)	C9—H9	0.9300
C2—H2	0.9300	C10—C11	1.370 (3)
C3—C4	1.385 (3)	C10—H10	0.9300
C3—H3	0.9300	C11—C12	1.366 (3)
C4—O3	1.326 (2)	C11—H11	0.9300
C4—C5	1.412 (2)	C12—C13	1.368 (3)
C5—C6	1.384 (2)	C12—H12	0.9300
C5—C7	1.440 (2)	C13—H13	0.9300
C6—H6	0.9300	N1—O2	1.220 (2)
C7—N2	1.276 (2)	N1—O1	1.2228 (19)
C7—H7	0.9300	O3—H3A	0.8200
C8—C13	1.375 (3)		
C6—C1—C2	121.32 (17)	C13—C8—N2	116.85 (16)
C6—C1—N1	119.04 (15)	C9—C8—N2	124.19 (16)
C2—C1—N1	119.58 (16)	C10—C9—C8	119.81 (19)
C3—C2—C1	119.42 (17)	C10—C9—H9	120.1
C3—C2—H2	120.3	C8—C9—H9	120.1
C1—C2—H2	120.3	C11—C10—C9	120.4 (2)
C2—C3—C4	121.04 (17)	C11—C10—H10	119.8
C2—C3—H3	119.5	C9—C10—H10	119.8
C4—C3—H3	119.5	C12—C11—C10	120.01 (19)
O3—C4—C3	119.74 (16)	C12—C11—H11	120.0
O3—C4—C5	120.94 (16)	C10—C11—H11	120.0
C3—C4—C5	119.31 (17)	C11—C12—C13	119.9 (2)
C6—C5—C4	118.98 (15)	C11—C12—H12	120.1
C6—C5—C7	120.24 (15)	C13—C12—H12	120.1
C4—C5—C7	120.76 (16)	C12—C13—C8	120.93 (19)
C1—C6—C5	119.92 (16)	C12—C13—H13	119.5
C1—C6—H6	120.0	C8—C13—H13	119.5
C5—C6—H6	120.0	O2—N1—O1	122.93 (18)
N2—C7—C5	121.91 (16)	O2—N1—C1	118.55 (15)
N2—C7—H7	119.0	O1—N1—C1	118.52 (17)
C5—C7—H7	119.0	C7—N2—C8	122.60 (15)
C13—C8—C9	118.95 (17)	C4—O3—H3A	109.5
C6—C1—C2—C3	-0.7 (3)	C13—C8—C9—C10	0.5 (3)

N1—C1—C2—C3	-177.65 (18)	N2—C8—C9—C10	179.08 (18)
C1—C2—C3—C4	-0.5 (3)	C8—C9—C10—C11	0.4 (3)
C2—C3—C4—O3	-179.07 (19)	C9—C10—C11—C12	-0.7 (3)
C2—C3—C4—C5	1.6 (3)	C10—C11—C12—C13	0.1 (3)
O3—C4—C5—C6	179.13 (17)	C11—C12—C13—C8	0.8 (3)
C3—C4—C5—C6	-1.6 (3)	C9—C8—C13—C12	-1.1 (3)
O3—C4—C5—C7	-2.6 (3)	N2—C8—C13—C12	-179.80 (18)
C3—C4—C5—C7	176.72 (17)	C6—C1—N1—O2	-2.7 (3)
C2—C1—C6—C5	0.7 (3)	C2—C1—N1—O2	174.36 (17)
N1—C1—C6—C5	177.68 (16)	C6—C1—N1—O1	177.16 (17)
C4—C5—C6—C1	0.4 (3)	C2—C1—N1—O1	-5.8 (3)
C7—C5—C6—C1	-177.87 (16)	C5—C7—N2—C8	-177.03 (16)
C6—C5—C7—N2	176.63 (17)	C13—C8—N2—C7	-174.99 (17)
C4—C5—C7—N2	-1.7 (3)	C9—C8—N2—C7	6.4 (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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