# organic compounds

# 2,2-Dichloro-N-(3-nitrophenyl)-acetamide

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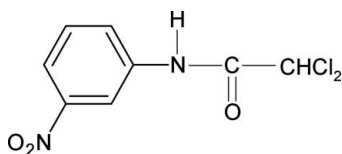Correspondence e-mail: gowdabt@yahoo.com

The conformation of the N—H bond in the structure of the title compound (3NPDCA), $C_8H_6Cl_2N_2O_3$, is *anti* to the *meta*-nitro group, similar to that in the structures of 2-chloro-N-(3-nitrophenyl)acetamide (3NPCA) and 2,2,2-trichloro-N-(3-nitrophenyl)acetamide (3NPTCA), and the *meta*-chloro group in 2,2-dichloro-N-(3-chlorophenyl)acetamide (3CPDCA). The geometric parameters of 3NPDCA are similar to those of 2,2-dichloro-N-phenylacetamide, 3CPDCA, 3NPCA, 3NPTCA and other acetanilides. Intermolecular N—H⋯O hydrogen bonds link the molecules into chains running along the *b* axis.

## Related literature

For related literature, see: Gowda & Weiss (1994); Gowda *et al.* (2000, 2006, 2007).



## Experimental

### Crystal data

$C_8H_6Cl_2N_2O_3$
$M_r = 249.05$
Orthorhombic, $Pbca$
$a = 9.6092$ (6) Å
$b = 10.6487$ (7) Å
$c = 19.868$ (1) Å

$V = 2033.0$ (2) Å$^3$
$Z = 8$
Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$\mu = 0.63$ mm$^{-1}$
$T = 299$ (2) K
$0.60 \times 0.52 \times 0.24$ mm

### Data collection

Oxford Diffraction Xcalibur diffractometer with Sapphire CCD Detector
Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SCALE3 ABSPACK*;
Oxford Diffraction, 2007)
$T_{min} = 0.706$, $T_{max} = 0.865$
11267 measured reflections
2072 independent reflections
1614 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
$R_{int} = 0.022$

### Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.032$
$wR(F^2) = 0.098$
$S = 1.10$
2072 reflections
155 parameters
1 restraint
H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement
$\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.35$ e Å$^{-3}$
$\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.36$ e Å$^{-3}$

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

| $D$—H⋯$A$ | $D$—H | H⋯$A$ | $D$⋯$A$ | $D$—H⋯$A$ |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| N1—H1N⋯O1[i] | 0.833 (16) | 2.081 (17) | 2.907 (2) | 171 (2) |

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

Data collection: *CrysAlis CCD* (Oxford Diffraction, 2004); cell refinement: *CrysAlis RED* (Oxford Diffraction, 2007); data reduction: *CrysAlis RED*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *PLATON* (Spek, 2003); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXS97*.

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# supporting information

## 2,2-Dichloro-*N*-(3-nitrophenyl)acetamide

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### S1. Comment

As part of a study of the effect of ring and side chain substitutions on the solid state structures of acetanilides (Gowda *et al.*, 2000, 2006, 2007), in the present work, the crystal structure of 2,2-dichloro-*N*- (3-nitrophenyl)-acetamide (3NPDCA) has been determined to explore the effects of polar substituent groups on the structures of N-aromatic amides. The conformation of the N—H bond in the structure of 3NPDCA (Fig.1) is *anti* to the *meta* nitro group, similar to that in the structure of 2-chloro-*N*-(3-nitrophenyl)-acetamide (3NPCA) (Gowda *et al.*, 2007) and 2,2,2-trichloro-*N*-(3-nitrophenyl)-acetamide (3NPTCA)(Gowda *et al.*, 2000) and *meta* chloro group in 2,2-dichloro-*N*-(3-chlorophenyl)-acetamide (3CPDCA)(Gowda *et al.*, 2006). The geometric parameters in 3NPDCA are similar to those of 2,2-dichloro-*N*-(phenyl)-acetamide, 3CPDCA, 3NPCA, 3NPTCA and other acetanilides. The intermolecular N—H⋯O hydrogen bonds (Table 1) link the molecules into chains running along the *b* axis (Fig. 2).

### S2. Experimental

The title compound was prepared similar to the literature method (Gowda and Weiss, 1994). The purity of the compound was checked by determining its melting point. It was characterized by recording its infrared and NQR spectra (Gowda and Weiss, 1994). Single crystals of the title compound were obtained from an ethanolic solution and used for X-ray diffraction studies at room temperature.

### S3. Refinement

The H atoms were located in difference map with C—H = 0.89 (3)–0.96 (3) Å and N—H distance was restrained to 0.86 (2) %A. All H atoms were refined with isotropic displacement parameters (set to 1.2 times of the $U_{eq}$ of the parent atom).

**Figure 1**

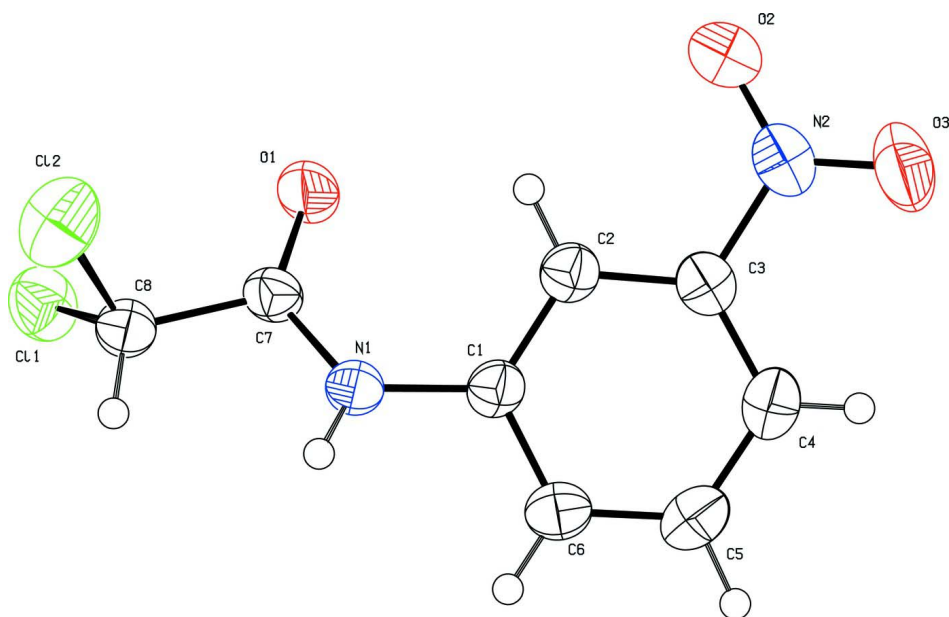Molecular structure of the title compound showing the atom labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. H atoms are represented as small spheres of arbitrary radii.
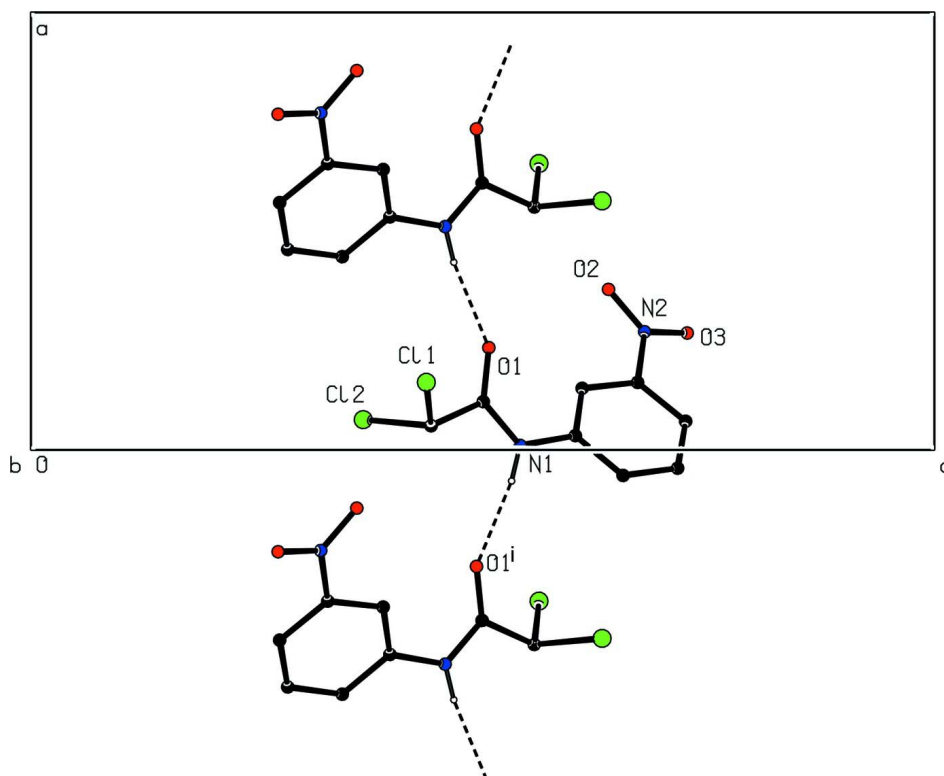


**Figure 2**

Partial packing view showing the hydrogen bonding as dashed lines.H atoms not involved in hydrogen bonding have been omitted for clarity. [Symmetry code: (i) $x - 1/2$, $1/2 - y$, $1 - z$]

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*Crystal data*

| | |
|---|---|
| $C_8H_6Cl_2N_2O_3$ | $F(000) = 1008$ |
| $M_r = 249.05$ | $D_x = 1.627$ Mg m$^{-3}$ |
| Orthorhombic, *Pbca* | Mo *Kα* radiation, $λ = 0.71073$ Å |
| Hall symbol: -P 2ac 2ab | Cell parameters from 4893 reflections |
| $a = 9.6092$ (6) Å | $θ = 2.8–27.8°$ |
| $b = 10.6487$ (7) Å | $μ = 0.63$ mm$^{-1}$ |
| $c = 19.868$ (1) Å | $T = 299$ K |
| $V = 2033.0$ (2) Å$^3$ | Prism, yellow |
| $Z = 8$ | $0.60 × 0.52 × 0.24$ mm |

*Data collection*

| | |
|---|---|
| Oxford Diffraction Xcalibur diffractometer with Sapphire CCD Detector | $T_{min} = 0.706$, $T_{max} = 0.865$ |
| Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube | 11267 measured reflections |
| Graphite monochromator | 2072 independent reflections |
| Rotation method data acquisition using *ω* and *φ* scans. | 1614 reflections with $I > 2σ(I)$ |
| | $R_{int} = 0.022$ |
| Absorption correction: multi-scan (SCALE3 ABSPACK; Oxford Diffraction, 2007) | $θ_{max} = 26.4°$, $θ_{min} = 3.0°$ |
| | $h = −12→11$ |
| | $k = −11→13$ |
| | $l = −24→20$ |

*Refinement*

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|---|---|
| Refinement on $F^2$ | Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites |
| Least-squares matrix: full | H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement |
| $R[F^2 > 2σ(F^2)] = 0.032$ | |
| $wR(F^2) = 0.098$ | $w = 1/[σ^2(F_o^2) + (0.0385P)^2 + 1.4567P]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ |
| $S = 1.10$ | |
| 2072 reflections | $(Δ/σ)_{max} = 0.044$ |
| 155 parameters | $Δρ_{max} = 0.35$ e Å$^{-3}$ |
| 1 restraint | $Δρ_{min} = −0.36$ e Å$^{-3}$ |
| Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods | Extinction correction: *SHELXL*, Fc$^*$=kFc[1+0.001xFc$^2$λ$^3$/sin(2θ)]$^{-1/4}$ |
| Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map | Extinction coefficient: 0.0230 (13) |

*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 $F^2 > σ(F^2)$ 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 (Å$^2$)*

| | *x* | *y* | *z* | $U_{iso}$*/$U_{eq}$ |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| C1 | 0.03253 (19) | 0.14098 (18) | 0.60262 (10) | 0.0344 (4) |
| C2 | 0.1408 (2) | 0.05696 (19) | 0.61012 (11) | 0.0365 (4) |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| H2 | 0.204 (2) | 0.043 (2) | 0.5757 (12) | 0.044* |
| C3 | 0.1543 (2) | −0.00244 (19) | 0.67144 (11) | 0.0380 (5) |
| C4 | 0.0653 (2) | 0.0166 (2) | 0.72466 (11) | 0.0453 (5) |
| H4 | 0.075 (3) | −0.025 (2) | 0.7632 (14) | 0.054* |
| C5 | −0.0418 (2) | 0.1009 (2) | 0.71576 (12) | 0.0490 (6) |
| H5 | −0.103 (3) | 0.122 (2) | 0.7521 (14) | 0.059* |
| C6 | −0.0584 (2) | 0.1632 (2) | 0.65542 (11) | 0.0426 (5) |
| H6 | −0.131 (3) | 0.220 (2) | 0.6503 (13) | 0.051* |
| C7 | 0.1102 (2) | 0.24984 (19) | 0.50064 (11) | 0.0357 (4) |
| C8 | 0.0552 (2) | 0.3297 (2) | 0.44287 (11) | 0.0398 (5) |
| H8 | −0.034 (3) | 0.352 (2) | 0.4488 (11) | 0.048* |
| N1 | 0.01034 (17) | 0.20745 (17) | 0.54149 (9) | 0.0381 (4) |
| H1N | −0.0711 (18) | 0.227 (2) | 0.5320 (12) | 0.046* |
| N2 | 0.2700 (2) | −0.09083 (18) | 0.67926 (10) | 0.0491 (5) |
| O1 | 0.23372 (15) | 0.22854 (16) | 0.50684 (9) | 0.0532 (5) |
| O2 | 0.3669 (2) | −0.08426 (19) | 0.63930 (10) | 0.0664 (5) |
| O3 | 0.2672 (2) | −0.16436 (19) | 0.72637 (10) | 0.0759 (6) |
| Cl1 | 0.15452 (6) | 0.46874 (5) | 0.43763 (3) | 0.0529 (2) |
| Cl2 | 0.06927 (8) | 0.24208 (7) | 0.36778 (3) | 0.0661 (2) |

*Atomic displacement parameters (Å²)*

| | $U^{11}$ | $U^{22}$ | $U^{33}$ | $U^{12}$ | $U^{13}$ | $U^{23}$ |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| C1 | 0.0270 (9) | 0.0403 (10) | 0.0360 (10) | −0.0056 (8) | −0.0003 (8) | 0.0025 (8) |
| C2 | 0.0334 (10) | 0.0388 (10) | 0.0374 (10) | −0.0034 (8) | −0.0001 (8) | 0.0008 (8) |
| C3 | 0.0363 (10) | 0.0346 (10) | 0.0430 (11) | −0.0033 (8) | −0.0046 (9) | 0.0017 (8) |
| C4 | 0.0494 (13) | 0.0483 (12) | 0.0382 (11) | −0.0071 (10) | −0.0014 (10) | 0.0065 (10) |
| C5 | 0.0460 (13) | 0.0583 (14) | 0.0428 (12) | −0.0043 (11) | 0.0103 (10) | −0.0006 (10) |
| C6 | 0.0311 (10) | 0.0487 (12) | 0.0479 (12) | −0.0012 (9) | 0.0036 (9) | 0.0014 (10) |
| C7 | 0.0272 (9) | 0.0389 (10) | 0.0409 (10) | 0.0013 (8) | −0.0009 (8) | 0.0020 (8) |
| C8 | 0.0307 (10) | 0.0479 (12) | 0.0409 (11) | 0.0006 (9) | −0.0001 (9) | 0.0045 (9) |
| N1 | 0.0239 (8) | 0.0503 (10) | 0.0401 (9) | 0.0018 (7) | −0.0002 (7) | 0.0076 (8) |
| N2 | 0.0507 (11) | 0.0446 (10) | 0.0521 (11) | 0.0028 (9) | −0.0091 (10) | 0.0056 (9) |
| O1 | 0.0258 (7) | 0.0698 (11) | 0.0641 (10) | 0.0050 (7) | 0.0044 (7) | 0.0272 (8) |
| O2 | 0.0606 (11) | 0.0718 (12) | 0.0668 (12) | 0.0250 (10) | 0.0086 (10) | 0.0109 (10) |
| O3 | 0.0786 (13) | 0.0713 (12) | 0.0778 (13) | 0.0122 (11) | −0.0056 (11) | 0.0361 (11) |
| Cl1 | 0.0558 (4) | 0.0395 (3) | 0.0635 (4) | −0.0031 (2) | −0.0001 (3) | 0.0064 (2) |
| Cl2 | 0.0740 (5) | 0.0778 (5) | 0.0467 (4) | −0.0200 (4) | −0.0084 (3) | −0.0116 (3) |

*Geometric parameters (Å, º)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| C1—C2 | 1.380 (3) | C6—H6 | 0.93 (3) |
| C1—C6 | 1.386 (3) | C7—O1 | 1.215 (2) |
| C1—N1 | 1.422 (2) | C7—N1 | 1.335 (3) |
| C2—C3 | 1.379 (3) | C7—C8 | 1.523 (3) |
| C2—H2 | 0.93 (2) | C8—Cl1 | 1.764 (2) |
| C3—C4 | 1.376 (3) | C8—Cl2 | 1.765 (2) |
| C3—N2 | 1.464 (3) | C8—H8 | 0.90 (3) |

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|---|---|---|---|
| C4—C5 | 1.377 (3) | N1—H1N | 0.833 (16) |
| C4—H4 | 0.89 (3) | N2—O3 | 1.220 (3) |
| C5—C6 | 1.380 (3) | N2—O2 | 1.226 (3) |
| C5—H5 | 0.96 (3) | | |
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| C2—C1—C6 | 120.30 (19) | C1—C6—H6 | 120.0 (16) |
| C2—C1—N1 | 121.86 (17) | O1—C7—N1 | 125.26 (19) |
| C6—C1—N1 | 117.83 (18) | O1—C7—C8 | 121.32 (19) |
| C3—C2—C1 | 117.65 (19) | N1—C7—C8 | 113.42 (17) |
| C3—C2—H2 | 120.9 (15) | C7—C8—Cl1 | 108.99 (14) |
| C1—C2—H2 | 121.5 (15) | C7—C8—Cl2 | 108.35 (15) |
| C4—C3—C2 | 123.5 (2) | Cl1—C8—Cl2 | 110.62 (12) |
| C4—C3—N2 | 119.03 (19) | C7—C8—H8 | 112.2 (15) |
| C2—C3—N2 | 117.42 (19) | Cl1—C8—H8 | 107.9 (16) |
| C3—C4—C5 | 117.6 (2) | Cl2—C8—H8 | 108.8 (15) |
| C3—C4—H4 | 121.6 (17) | C7—N1—C1 | 125.44 (17) |
| C5—C4—H4 | 120.8 (17) | C7—N1—H1N | 116.8 (17) |
| C4—C5—C6 | 120.8 (2) | C1—N1—H1N | 117.5 (17) |
| C4—C5—H5 | 120.9 (16) | O3—N2—O2 | 123.4 (2) |
| C6—C5—H5 | 118.2 (16) | O3—N2—C3 | 118.5 (2) |
| C5—C6—C1 | 120.2 (2) | O2—N2—C3 | 118.10 (18) |
| C5—C6—H6 | 119.8 (16) | | |
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| C6—C1—C2—C3 | −0.2 (3) | N1—C7—C8—Cl1 | 131.85 (17) |
| N1—C1—C2—C3 | 179.62 (18) | O1—C7—C8—Cl2 | 71.9 (2) |
| C1—C2—C3—C4 | 0.8 (3) | N1—C7—C8—Cl2 | −107.71 (18) |
| C1—C2—C3—N2 | −179.58 (18) | O1—C7—N1—C1 | 6.6 (4) |
| C2—C3—C4—C5 | −0.8 (3) | C8—C7—N1—C1 | −173.76 (18) |
| N2—C3—C4—C5 | 179.6 (2) | C2—C1—N1—C7 | −35.6 (3) |
| C3—C4—C5—C6 | 0.1 (3) | C6—C1—N1—C7 | 144.2 (2) |
| C4—C5—C6—C1 | 0.5 (3) | C4—C3—N2—O3 | 15.6 (3) |
| C2—C1—C6—C5 | −0.4 (3) | C2—C3—N2—O3 | −164.0 (2) |
| N1—C1—C6—C5 | 179.8 (2) | C4—C3—N2—O2 | −162.0 (2) |
| O1—C7—C8—Cl1 | −48.5 (3) | C2—C3—N2—O2 | 18.3 (3) |

*Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, º)*

| D—H⋯A | D—H | H⋯A | D⋯A | D—H⋯A |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| N1—H1N⋯O1[i] | 0.83 (2) | 2.08 (2) | 2.907 (2) | 171 (2) |

Symmetry code: (i) $x-1/2, -y+1/2, -z+1$.