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## Ethyl 3-oxo-3H-benzo[f]chromene-2-carboxylate

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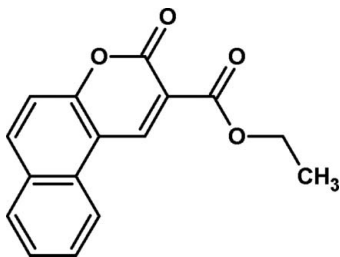
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 293$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.007$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.075;  $wR$  factor = 0.208; data-to-parameter ratio = 12.5.

In the title compound,  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_4$ , the chromene ring system is almost planar [maximum deviation =  $0.026$  (1) Å] and makes dihedral angles of  $1.24$  (9) and  $26.5$  (2)° with the fused benzene ring and the plane of the ethyl carboxylate group, respectively.

## Related literature

For general background to chromenes, see: Kendall *et al.* (1961); Rau & Brack (1963); Jones *et al.* (1985); Gikas *et al.* (2003); Miyata & Nalwa, (1997); Shibata (1994). For related structures, see: Lakshmi *et al.* (2006); Jiao *et al.* (2009).



## Experimental

## Crystal data

 $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_4$  $M_r = 268.26$ 

Monoclinic,  $P2_1/n$   
 $a = 14.6716$  (11) Å  
 $b = 4.5190$  (5) Å  
 $c = 19.3874$  (18) Å  
 $\beta = 90.218$  (7)°  
 $V = 1285.4$  (2) Å<sup>3</sup>

$Z = 4$   
Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 0.10$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 293$  K  
 $0.22 \times 0.15 \times 0.12$  mm

## Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer  
Absorption correction:  $\psi$  scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 2004)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.981$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.987$

13075 measured reflections  
2276 independent reflections  
997 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.088$

## Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.075$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.208$   
 $S = 1.04$   
2276 reflections

182 parameters  
H-atom parameters constrained  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.17$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.16$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 2001); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2001); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: ORTEP-3 (Farrugia, 1999); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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**S1. Comment**

Chromenes are involved in the structures of molecules of biologically active compounds. Several chromene derivatives have been patented for a variety of industrial applications (Kendall *et al.*, 1961; Rau & Brack, 1963).

Chromenes also play a vital role in electrophotographic, electroluminescent devices and laser dyes. Several 3-substituted 7-hydroxycoumarins rank among the most efficient photostable laser dyes, emitting in the blue green region of the visible spectrum. The lasing range covered by chromene dyes is appreciably extended when the 3-substituent is a heterocyclic unit (Jones *et al.*, 1985; Gikas *et al.*, 2003). Benzo-annulated chromene derivatives are widely used in organic light-emitting devices and are used as electron-transporting emitters (Miyata & Nalwa *et al.*, 1997; Shibata, 1994).

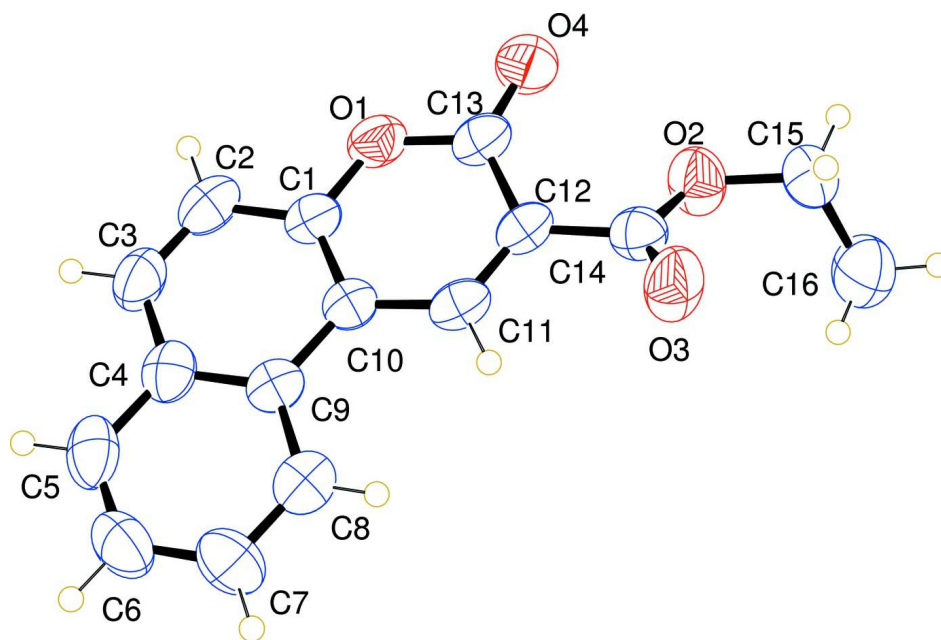
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**S2. Experimental**

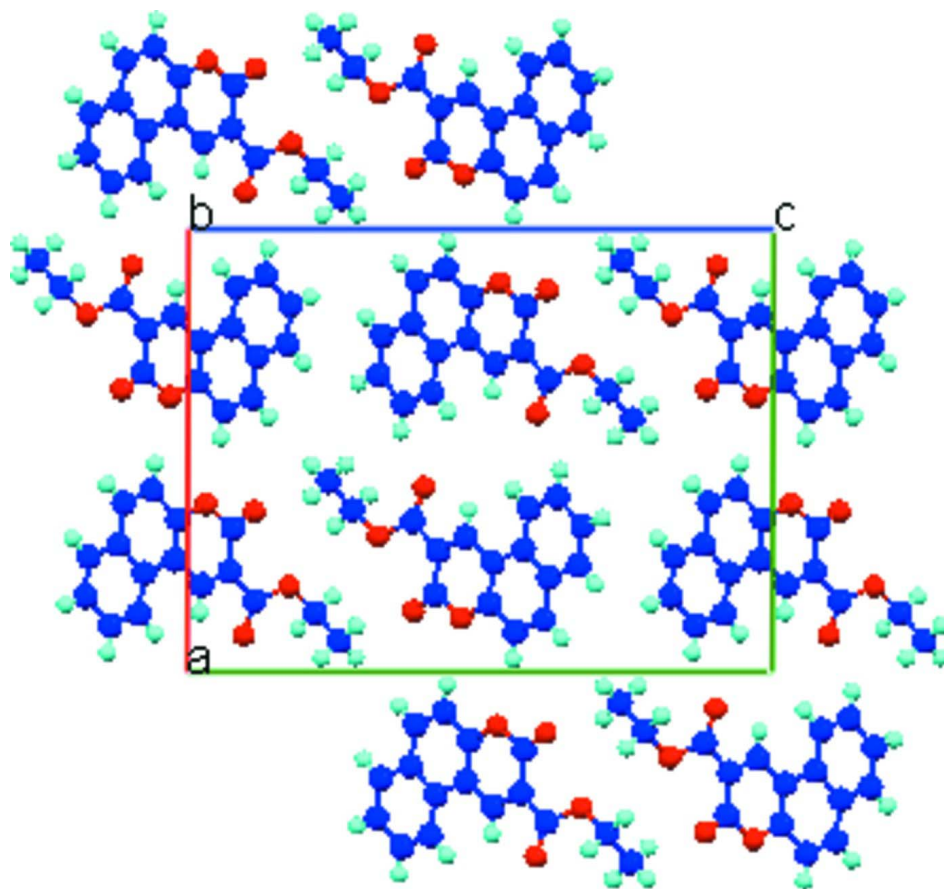
A mixture of 2-hydroxy-1-naphthaldehyde (2.9 mmol), an equivalent amount of diethyl malonate (2.9 mmol), and a catalytic amount of piperidine in ethanol (30 ml) was refluxed for 30 minutes on a water bath. After the reaction was complete, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and poured into crushed ice with stirring. The precipitate obtained was then filtered, washed with water, dried and recrystallized using ethanol to yield the pure title compound as a white-yellow crystalline solid. Yield 90%; m.p. 388 K.

**S3. Refinement**

All H atoms were positioned geometrically with C—H = 0.93 Å for aromatic H, 0.97 Å for methylene H and 0.96 Å for methyl H and refined using a riding model with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.5U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$  for methyl H and  $1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$  for all other H.

**Figure 1**

The asymmetric unit of the title compound. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. Hydrogen atoms are shown as spheres of arbitrary radius.



**Figure 2**

Packing of the molecules when viewed along *b*.

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$D_x = 1.386$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>

Melting point < 388 K

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Cell parameters from 2276 reflections

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 $h = -17 \rightarrow 17$

$k = -5 \rightarrow 5$   
 $l = -23 \rightarrow 23$

### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 Least-squares matrix: full  
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.075$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.208$   
 $S = 1.04$   
 2276 reflections  
 182 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  
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0891P)^2]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.17 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.16 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$   
 Extinction correction: *SHELXL*,  
 $F_c^* = kF_c[1 + 0.001x F_c^2 \lambda^3 / \sin(2\theta)]^{-1/4}$   
 Extinction coefficient: 0.017 (4)

### Special details

**Experimental.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ (p.p.m.): 1.4 (s, 3H,  $\text{CH}_3$ ), 4.4 (q, 2H, H2), 7.4 (m, 6H, ArH), 9.2 (s, 1H, CH);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ (p.p.m.): 163 (C=O ester), 160 (C=O pyrone), 150.4, 149.7, 148.7, 130.6, 126.6, 124.2, 124.0, 121.2, 121, 120, 114.5, 115, 58.8, 26; IR (KBr)  $\nu$ ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 1765 (s) (C=O), 1750 (s) (C=O ester); MS (m/z): 269 ( $M+1$ ).

**Geometry.** All s.u.'s (except the s.u. in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell s.u.'s are taken into account individually in the estimation of s.u.'s in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between s.u.'s in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell s.u.'s is used for estimating s.u.'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  $F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)$  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 ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )

	$x$	$y$	$z$	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
O1	0.37862 (18)	-0.4741 (7)	-0.03118 (17)	0.0587 (9)
O2	0.19329 (19)	-0.8301 (8)	-0.17429 (17)	0.0700 (10)
O3	0.0829 (2)	-0.7805 (8)	-0.09664 (17)	0.0802 (12)
O4	0.3625 (2)	-0.8050 (8)	-0.11371 (17)	0.0777 (11)
C1	0.3450 (3)	-0.2819 (10)	0.0168 (2)	0.0518 (12)
C2	0.4098 (3)	-0.1524 (12)	0.0605 (3)	0.0657 (14)
H2	0.4714	-0.1975	0.0560	0.079*
C3	0.3813 (3)	0.0397 (11)	0.1094 (3)	0.0641 (14)
H3	0.4241	0.1276	0.1383	0.077*
C4	0.2879 (3)	0.1105 (10)	0.1176 (2)	0.0535 (13)
C5	0.2597 (4)	0.3160 (11)	0.1686 (2)	0.0671 (15)
H5	0.3025	0.4041	0.1975	0.081*
C6	0.1708 (4)	0.3826 (12)	0.1749 (3)	0.0731 (15)
H6	0.1527	0.5166	0.2086	0.088*
C7	0.1050 (4)	0.2543 (12)	0.1319 (3)	0.0765 (16)
H7	0.0439	0.3042	0.1367	0.092*

C8	0.1309 (3)	0.0572 (11)	0.0833 (3)	0.0634 (14)
H8	0.0868	-0.0285	0.0551	0.076*
C9	0.2229 (3)	-0.0214 (9)	0.0743 (2)	0.0467 (11)
C10	0.2530 (3)	-0.2264 (9)	0.0221 (2)	0.0444 (11)
C11	0.1960 (3)	-0.3847 (10)	-0.0243 (2)	0.0503 (12)
H11	0.1334	-0.3554	-0.0213	0.060*
C12	0.2266 (3)	-0.5729 (10)	-0.0719 (2)	0.0497 (12)
C13	0.3241 (3)	-0.6306 (12)	-0.0766 (2)	0.0545 (13)
C14	0.1601 (3)	-0.7379 (9)	-0.1150 (2)	0.0533 (12)
C15	0.1339 (3)	-1.0111 (12)	-0.2181 (3)	0.0715 (15)
H15A	0.0993	-1.1455	-0.1892	0.086*
H15B	0.1711	-1.1291	-0.2488	0.086*
C16	0.0699 (4)	-0.8298 (13)	-0.2596 (3)	0.0918 (18)
H16A	0.0327	-0.9573	-0.2876	0.138*
H16B	0.1038	-0.6984	-0.2887	0.138*
H16C	0.0317	-0.7164	-0.2294	0.138*

*Atomic displacement parameters (Å<sup>2</sup>)*

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
O1	0.0418 (18)	0.068 (2)	0.066 (2)	0.0077 (16)	0.0000 (17)	-0.0002 (18)
O2	0.062 (2)	0.089 (3)	0.059 (2)	-0.0067 (18)	0.0089 (18)	-0.017 (2)
O3	0.046 (2)	0.119 (3)	0.075 (2)	-0.0087 (19)	0.0054 (18)	-0.028 (2)
O4	0.064 (2)	0.097 (3)	0.072 (2)	0.0201 (19)	0.0008 (19)	-0.021 (2)
C1	0.045 (3)	0.057 (3)	0.054 (3)	0.008 (2)	-0.002 (2)	0.005 (3)
C2	0.043 (3)	0.078 (4)	0.076 (4)	0.001 (3)	-0.010 (3)	0.009 (3)
C3	0.054 (3)	0.065 (4)	0.073 (4)	-0.009 (3)	-0.020 (3)	0.000 (3)
C4	0.064 (3)	0.054 (3)	0.043 (3)	-0.005 (2)	-0.005 (2)	0.013 (2)
C5	0.091 (4)	0.064 (4)	0.046 (3)	-0.011 (3)	-0.017 (3)	0.008 (3)
C6	0.092 (4)	0.072 (4)	0.056 (3)	0.005 (3)	0.008 (3)	-0.015 (3)
C7	0.082 (4)	0.089 (4)	0.059 (3)	0.010 (3)	0.020 (3)	-0.016 (3)
C8	0.058 (3)	0.067 (4)	0.065 (3)	-0.002 (3)	-0.004 (3)	0.006 (3)
C9	0.045 (3)	0.048 (3)	0.047 (3)	-0.001 (2)	0.003 (2)	0.012 (2)
C10	0.044 (3)	0.043 (3)	0.045 (3)	-0.001 (2)	0.001 (2)	0.009 (2)
C11	0.042 (3)	0.059 (3)	0.050 (3)	0.007 (2)	0.003 (2)	0.015 (3)
C12	0.043 (3)	0.057 (3)	0.049 (3)	0.005 (2)	-0.004 (2)	0.012 (3)
C13	0.049 (3)	0.065 (4)	0.050 (3)	0.009 (3)	-0.002 (3)	0.011 (3)
C14	0.055 (3)	0.052 (3)	0.052 (3)	0.005 (3)	0.001 (3)	0.004 (2)
C15	0.074 (3)	0.073 (4)	0.068 (3)	0.004 (3)	-0.008 (3)	-0.020 (3)
C16	0.110 (5)	0.090 (5)	0.075 (4)	0.006 (3)	-0.025 (3)	-0.005 (3)

*Geometric parameters (Å, °)*

O1—C1	1.366 (5)	C6—H6	0.9300
O1—C13	1.381 (5)	C7—C8	1.353 (6)
O2—C14	1.318 (5)	C7—H7	0.9300
O2—C15	1.464 (5)	C8—C9	1.408 (6)
O3—C14	1.204 (5)	C8—H8	0.9300

O4—C13	1.208 (5)	C9—C10	1.443 (6)
C1—C10	1.376 (5)	C10—C11	1.420 (6)
C1—C2	1.400 (6)	C11—C12	1.333 (6)
C2—C3	1.352 (6)	C11—H11	0.9300
C2—H2	0.9300	C12—C13	1.458 (6)
C3—C4	1.417 (6)	C12—C14	1.483 (6)
C3—H3	0.9300	C15—C16	1.481 (6)
C4—C9	1.400 (6)	C15—H15A	0.9700
C4—C5	1.419 (6)	C15—H15B	0.9700
C5—C6	1.345 (7)	C16—H16A	0.9600
C5—H5	0.9300	C16—H16B	0.9600
C6—C7	1.399 (7)	C16—H16C	0.9600
C1—O1—C13	123.3 (3)	C8—C9—C10	123.0 (4)
C14—O2—C15	117.5 (4)	C1—C10—C11	115.9 (4)
O1—C1—C10	121.5 (4)	C1—C10—C9	118.1 (4)
O1—C1—C2	115.6 (4)	C11—C10—C9	125.9 (4)
C10—C1—C2	122.9 (5)	C12—C11—C10	124.0 (4)
C3—C2—C1	118.7 (5)	C12—C11—H11	118.0
C3—C2—H2	120.6	C10—C11—H11	118.0
C1—C2—H2	120.6	C11—C12—C13	119.4 (4)
C2—C3—C4	121.7 (5)	C11—C12—C14	119.2 (4)
C2—C3—H3	119.1	C13—C12—C14	121.2 (5)
C4—C3—H3	119.1	O4—C13—O1	116.3 (4)
C9—C4—C3	119.5 (5)	O4—C13—C12	127.9 (5)
C9—C4—C5	119.8 (4)	O1—C13—C12	115.8 (4)
C3—C4—C5	120.7 (5)	O3—C14—O2	123.9 (4)
C6—C5—C4	119.7 (5)	O3—C14—C12	122.1 (4)
C6—C5—H5	120.2	O2—C14—C12	114.0 (4)
C4—C5—H5	120.2	O2—C15—C16	112.4 (4)
C5—C6—C7	121.3 (5)	O2—C15—H15A	109.1
C5—C6—H6	119.3	C16—C15—H15A	109.1
C7—C6—H6	119.3	O2—C15—H15B	109.1
C8—C7—C6	119.6 (5)	C16—C15—H15B	109.1
C8—C7—H7	120.2	H15A—C15—H15B	107.9
C6—C7—H7	120.2	C15—C16—H16A	109.5
C7—C8—C9	121.6 (5)	C15—C16—H16B	109.5
C7—C8—H8	119.2	H16A—C16—H16B	109.5
C9—C8—H8	119.2	C15—C16—H16C	109.5
C4—C9—C8	118.0 (4)	H16A—C16—H16C	109.5
C4—C9—C10	119.0 (4)	H16B—C16—H16C	109.5
C13—O1—C1—C10	-1.5 (6)	C4—C9—C10—C1	-0.5 (6)
C13—O1—C1—C2	177.3 (4)	C8—C9—C10—C1	178.5 (4)
O1—C1—C2—C3	-179.9 (4)	C4—C9—C10—C11	178.0 (4)
C10—C1—C2—C3	-1.1 (7)	C8—C9—C10—C11	-3.1 (6)
C1—C2—C3—C4	0.5 (7)	C1—C10—C11—C12	-1.4 (6)
C2—C3—C4—C9	0.1 (7)	C9—C10—C11—C12	-179.9 (4)

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C2—C3—C4—C5	-179.1 (5)	C10—C11—C12—C13	1.8 (6)
C9—C4—C5—C6	0.0 (7)	C10—C11—C12—C14	176.8 (4)
C3—C4—C5—C6	179.2 (4)	C1—O1—C13—O4	-176.1 (4)
C4—C5—C6—C7	-0.3 (7)	C1—O1—C13—C12	1.7 (6)
C5—C6—C7—C8	0.6 (8)	C11—C12—C13—O4	175.6 (5)
C6—C7—C8—C9	-0.5 (7)	C14—C12—C13—O4	0.8 (7)
C3—C4—C9—C8	-179.1 (4)	C11—C12—C13—O1	-1.8 (6)
C5—C4—C9—C8	0.1 (6)	C14—C12—C13—O1	-176.7 (4)
C3—C4—C9—C10	-0.1 (6)	C15—O2—C14—O3	-4.1 (7)
C5—C4—C9—C10	179.1 (4)	C15—O2—C14—C12	176.2 (4)
C7—C8—C9—C4	0.2 (7)	C11—C12—C14—O3	-22.9 (6)
C7—C8—C9—C10	-178.8 (4)	C13—C12—C14—O3	151.9 (4)
O1—C1—C10—C11	1.2 (6)	C11—C12—C14—O2	156.8 (4)
C2—C1—C10—C11	-177.5 (4)	C13—C12—C14—O2	-28.4 (6)
O1—C1—C10—C9	179.8 (4)	C14—O2—C15—C16	82.2 (5)
C2—C1—C10—C9	1.1 (6)		

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