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# Crystal structure of 4-[(1*H*-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)methyl]sulfanylphenol

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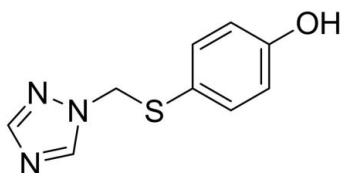
In the title compound, C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>9</sub>N<sub>3</sub>OS, the plane of the benzene ring forms a dihedral angle of 33.40 (5)° with that of the triazole group. In the crystal, molecules are linked by O—H···N hydrogen bonds involving the phenol —OH group and one of the unsubstituted N atoms of the triazole ring, resulting in chains along [010]. These chains are further extended into a layer parallel to (001) by weak C—H···N hydrogen-bond interactions. Aromatic  $\pi$ – $\pi$  stacking [centroid–centroid separation = 3.556 (1) Å] between the triazole rings links the layers into a three-dimensional network.

**Keywords:** crystal structure; 1,2,4-triazole derivative; hydrogen bonding;  $\pi$ – $\pi$  stacking; biological activity.

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## 1. Related literature

For the biological activity of related compounds, see: Sidwell *et al.* (1972); Khan *et al.* (2010); Xu *et al.* (2011); Jubie *et al.* (2011); Patel *et al.* (2013); Salgın-Gökşen *et al.* (2007); Lin *et al.* (2005); Coucouvanis (2007).



## 2. Experimental

### 2.1. Crystal data

|   |                               |
|---|-------------------------------|
| C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>9</sub> N <sub>3</sub> OS | $c = 18.311 (3) \text{ \AA}$  |
| $M_r = 207.25$                                  | $\beta = 91.010 (3)^\circ$    |
| Monoclinic, $P2_1/n$                            | $V = 989.2 (3) \text{ \AA}^3$ |
| $a = 5.3975 (10) \text{ \AA}$                   | $Z = 4$                       |
| $b = 10.0099 (19) \text{ \AA}$                  | Mo $K\alpha$ radiation        |

 $\mu = 0.30 \text{ mm}^{-1}$   
 $T = 296 \text{ K}$ 

0.28 × 0.22 × 0.20 mm

### 2.2. Data collection

|  |  |
|--|--|
| Bruker APEXII CCD area-detector diffractometer           | 4977 measured reflections              |
| Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 2001) | 1755 independent reflections           |
| $T_{\min} = 0.922, T_{\max} = 0.943$                     | 1453 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ |
|  | $R_{\text{int}} = 0.020$               |

### 2.3. Refinement

|                                 |  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.032$ | 128 parameters                                 |
| $wR(F^2) = 0.077$               | H-atom parameters constrained                  |
| $S = 1.05$                      | $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.14 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$  |
| 1755 reflections                | $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.17 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$ |

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

| $D-H\cdots A$            | $D-H$ | $H\cdots A$ | $D\cdots A$ | $D-H\cdots A$ |
|--------------------------|-------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| O1—H1···N3 <sup>i</sup>  | 0.82  | 1.91        | 2.7290 (19) | 173           |
| C2—H2···N2 <sup>ii</sup> | 0.93  | 2.55        | 3.318 (2)   | 140           |

Symmetry codes: (i)  $-x + \frac{5}{2}, y + \frac{1}{2}, -z + \frac{1}{2}$ ; (ii)  $x + 1, y, z$ .

Data collection: *APEX2* (Bruker, 2003); cell refinement: *APEX2*; data reduction: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2001); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 2008); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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### S1. Comment

1,2,4-triazole derivatives and sulfur-containing compounds have attracted much attention recently, owing to their fascinating and effective biological activities, for instance, antiviral, antimicrobial, anticancer, analgesic, antioxidant as well as antiinflammatory properties (Sidwell *et al.*, 1972; Khan *et al.*, 2010; Xu *et al.*, 2011; Jubie *et al.*, 2011; Patel *et al.*, 2013; Salgın-Gökşen *et al.*, 2007; Lin *et al.*, 2005). As a result, much effort has been devoted to improve the activity of these compounds by modulating or introducing the substituents on the 1,2,4-triazole species. Among these, the thioether substituted 1,2,4-triazol ring systems represent an attractive group of substance that are promising for particular applications, such as bioinspired materials and biocatalysts (Coucovanis, 2007). In this work, the title compound has been prepared and its crystal structure has been determined.

The crystal structure is illustrated in Fig. 1. Single crystal X-ray analysis reveals this compound crystallizes in monoclinic system with space group  $P2_1/n$ . The bond lengths of C1—N2 [1.308 (2) Å] and C2—N3 [1.317 (2) Å] confirm they are double bonds. The dihedral angle formed by the benzene ring system and triazole plane is 33.396 (53)°, and the torsion angle of C4—S1—C3—N1 is 55.531 (131) Å.

Further analysis of crystal packing shows that these molecules are head-to-tail linked by O—H $\cdots$ N hydrogen bonds (Fig. 2, red dashed lines) between the phenolic hydroxyl groups and the triazole rings, forming a zigzag chain along the [010] axis. These one dimensional motifs are further extended to a two dimensional layer via weak C—H $\cdots$ N interactions (Fig. 2, black dashed lines). The layers arrange in an ABAB fashion along [001] direction and eventually constructed a three dimensional supramolecular framework by virtue of  $\pi\cdots\pi$  forces between the parallel triazole rings of neighboring molecules, with the centroid-to-centroid distance of 3.556 Å.

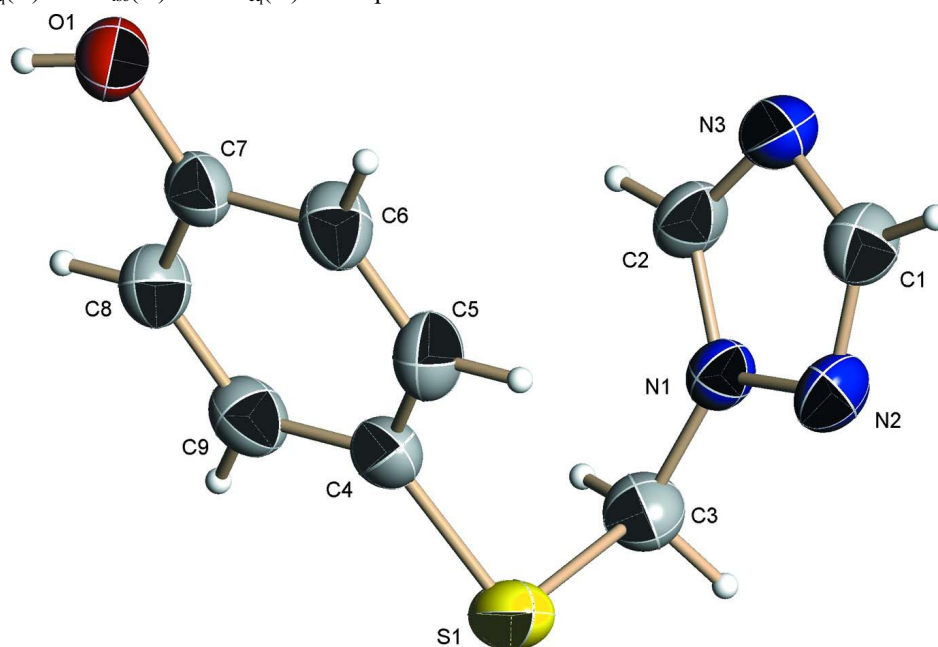
### S2. Experimental

1-chloromethyl-1,2,4-triazole hydrochloride (28 g, 0.18 mol), 4-mercaptophenol (22.7 g, 0.18 mol) and NaOH (24 g, 0.6 mol) were dissolved in 100 ml ethanol/water (v/v = 1/4) solution. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h, and further refluxed for 2 h longer. After the reaction was cooled to room temperature, 150 ml water was added to dissolve the generated precipitate. The mixture was acidified to pH 4 by dropwise addition of concd. hydrochloric acid. The resulting voluminous white precipitate was filtered off, washed thoroughly with water and dried in air. The colorless strip crystals of the title compound were obtained by recrystallizing the powder samples from ethanol solution (yield 77%, m.p. 480–482 K).

### S3. Refinement

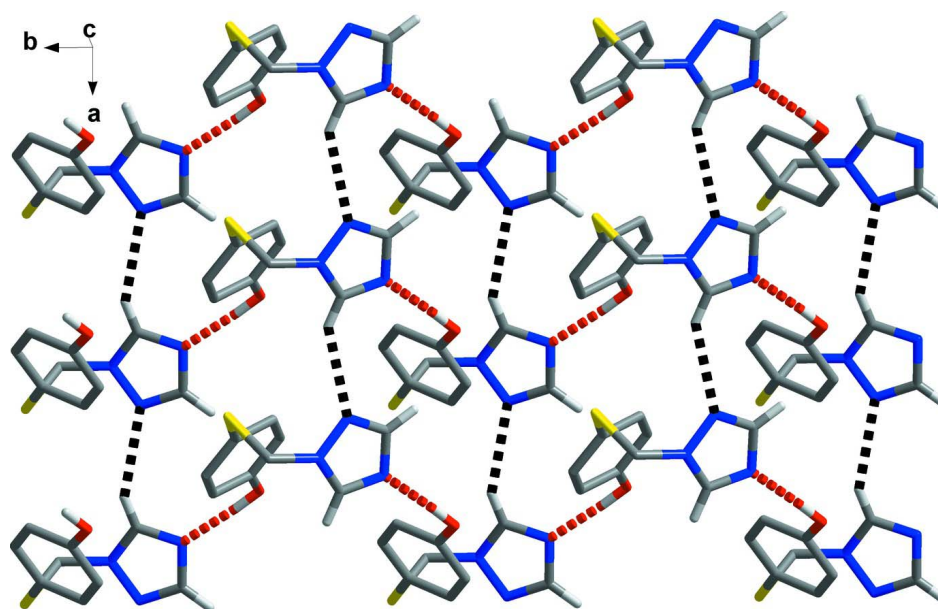
H atoms bonded to C were positioned with idealized geometry using a riding model with the aromatic C—H = 0.93 Å and methylene C—H = 0.97 Å, respectively. The H atom attached to O atom was found in difference electron-density maps and fixed O—H = 0.82 Å bond length. All H atoms were refined with isotropic displacement parameters set at

$U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2 U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$  and  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.5 U_{\text{eq}}(\text{O})$  of the parent atom.



**Figure 1**

The molecular structure of the title compound with the atom numbering scheme. The displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 40% probability level.



**Figure 2**

A view of the hydrogen bonded polymeric layer. The hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines.

4-[[*(1H-1,2,4-Triazol-1-yl)methyl*]]sulfanyl]]phenol

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Hall symbol: -P 2yn

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Cell parameters from 1691 reflections

 $\theta = 2.3$ – $23.8$ ° $\mu = 0.30$  mm<sup>-1</sup> $T = 296$  K

Strip, colorless

 $0.28 \times 0.22 \times 0.20$  mm

## Data collection

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Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube

Graphite monochromator

 $\phi$  and  $\omega$  scansAbsorption correction: multi-scan  
(*SADABS*; Bruker, 2001) $T_{\min} = 0.922$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.943$ 

4977 measured reflections

1755 independent reflections

1453 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$  $R_{\text{int}} = 0.020$  $\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.0$ °,  $\theta_{\text{min}} = 2.2$ ° $h = -6 \rightarrow 6$  $k = -11 \rightarrow 11$  $l = -18 \rightarrow 21$ 

## Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$ 

Least-squares matrix: full

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.032$  $wR(F^2) = 0.077$  $S = 1.05$ 

1755 reflections

128 parameters

0 restraints

Primary atom site location: structure-invariant  
direct methodsSecondary atom site location: difference Fourier  
mapHydrogen site location: inferred from  
neighbouring sites

H-atom parameters constrained

 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0294P)^2 + 0.2664P]$ where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$  $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.14$  e Å<sup>-3</sup> $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.17$  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.

**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  $F^2 > \sigma(F^2)$  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 (Å<sup>2</sup>)

|    | $x$          | $y$          | $z$         | $U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$ |
|----|--------------|--------------|-------------|----------------------------------|
| S1 | 0.66005 (10) | 0.44273 (5)  | 0.08502 (3) | 0.05715 (18)                     |
| O1 | 1.2294 (3)   | 0.31388 (12) | 0.35509 (7) | 0.0530 (4)                       |
| H1 | 1.3233       | 0.3747       | 0.3671      | 0.080*                           |
| N1 | 0.8498 (2)   | 0.20284 (13) | 0.04543 (7) | 0.0369 (3)                       |

|     |            |              |              |            |
|-----|------------|--------------|--------------|------------|
| N2  | 0.6462 (2) | 0.12317 (15) | 0.04545 (8)  | 0.0450 (4) |
| N3  | 0.9755 (3) | 0.01570 (15) | 0.09366 (8)  | 0.0475 (4) |
| C1  | 0.7326 (3) | 0.01291 (19) | 0.07461 (9)  | 0.0461 (4) |
| H1A | 0.6339     | -0.0620      | 0.0817       | 0.055*     |
| C2  | 1.0418 (3) | 0.13729 (18) | 0.07465 (9)  | 0.0440 (4) |
| H2  | 1.2004     | 0.1724       | 0.0808       | 0.053*     |
| C3  | 0.8344 (3) | 0.34022 (18) | 0.02238 (10) | 0.0483 (5) |
| H3A | 0.7561     | 0.3442       | -0.0257      | 0.058*     |
| H3B | 1.0006     | 0.3762       | 0.0185       | 0.058*     |
| C4  | 0.8297 (3) | 0.40921 (17) | 0.16692 (9)  | 0.0436 (4) |
| C5  | 0.7646 (3) | 0.30194 (19) | 0.21040 (10) | 0.0487 (5) |
| H5  | 0.6281     | 0.2499       | 0.1974       | 0.058*     |
| C6  | 0.9001 (4) | 0.27158 (18) | 0.27266 (10) | 0.0487 (5) |
| H6  | 0.8549     | 0.1990       | 0.3012       | 0.058*     |
| C7  | 1.1036 (3) | 0.34846 (16) | 0.29307 (9)  | 0.0403 (4) |
| C8  | 1.1682 (3) | 0.45690 (18) | 0.25025 (10) | 0.0458 (4) |
| H8  | 1.3035     | 0.5096       | 0.2636       | 0.055*     |
| C9  | 1.0315 (4) | 0.48657 (18) | 0.18780 (10) | 0.0477 (5) |
| H9  | 1.0757     | 0.5595       | 0.1594       | 0.057*     |

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

|    | $U^{11}$    | $U^{22}$    | $U^{33}$    | $U^{12}$    | $U^{13}$    | $U^{23}$    |
|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| S1 | 0.0629 (3)  | 0.0550 (3)  | 0.0531 (3)  | 0.0208 (2)  | -0.0116 (2) | -0.0047 (2) |
| O1 | 0.0666 (9)  | 0.0444 (7)  | 0.0476 (7)  | -0.0068 (6) | -0.0120 (6) | 0.0013 (6)  |
| N1 | 0.0317 (7)  | 0.0419 (8)  | 0.0370 (8)  | -0.0003 (6) | -0.0013 (6) | -0.0019 (6) |
| N2 | 0.0338 (8)  | 0.0530 (9)  | 0.0481 (9)  | -0.0058 (7) | -0.0062 (6) | -0.0003 (7) |
| N3 | 0.0478 (9)  | 0.0500 (9)  | 0.0443 (9)  | 0.0054 (7)  | -0.0067 (7) | 0.0001 (7)  |
| C1 | 0.0470 (11) | 0.0484 (11) | 0.0427 (10) | -0.0062 (8) | -0.0011 (8) | 0.0010 (8)  |
| C2 | 0.0309 (9)  | 0.0542 (12) | 0.0466 (10) | 0.0011 (8)  | -0.0041 (7) | -0.0057 (9) |
| C3 | 0.0553 (11) | 0.0473 (11) | 0.0424 (10) | 0.0003 (9)  | -0.0001 (8) | 0.0043 (8)  |
| C4 | 0.0471 (10) | 0.0402 (10) | 0.0434 (10) | 0.0082 (8)  | -0.0015 (8) | -0.0072 (8) |
| C5 | 0.0476 (10) | 0.0489 (11) | 0.0496 (11) | -0.0088 (8) | -0.0010 (8) | -0.0080 (9) |
| C6 | 0.0609 (12) | 0.0402 (10) | 0.0449 (10) | -0.0115 (9) | 0.0023 (9)  | 0.0005 (8)  |
| C7 | 0.0473 (10) | 0.0369 (9)  | 0.0366 (9)  | 0.0017 (8)  | 0.0012 (7)  | -0.0057 (7) |
| C8 | 0.0463 (10) | 0.0414 (10) | 0.0495 (11) | -0.0077 (8) | -0.0002 (8) | -0.0027 (8) |
| C9 | 0.0583 (11) | 0.0376 (10) | 0.0473 (11) | -0.0001 (8) | 0.0044 (9)  | 0.0021 (8)  |

*Geometric parameters (Å, °)*

|       |             |        |           |
|-------|-------------|--------|-----------|
| S1—C4 | 1.7753 (18) | C3—H3A | 0.9700    |
| S1—C3 | 1.8146 (18) | C3—H3B | 0.9700    |
| O1—C7 | 1.358 (2)   | C4—C9  | 1.385 (3) |
| O1—H1 | 0.8200      | C4—C5  | 1.386 (3) |
| N1—C2 | 1.331 (2)   | C5—C6  | 1.378 (3) |
| N1—N2 | 1.3578 (18) | C5—H5  | 0.9300    |
| N1—C3 | 1.440 (2)   | C6—C7  | 1.387 (2) |
| N2—C1 | 1.308 (2)   | C6—H6  | 0.9300    |

|             |              |             |              |
|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| N3—C2       | 1.317 (2)    | C7—C8       | 1.387 (2)    |
| N3—C1       | 1.351 (2)    | C8—C9       | 1.382 (2)    |
| C1—H1A      | 0.9300       | C8—H8       | 0.9300       |
| C2—H2       | 0.9300       | C9—H9       | 0.9300       |
| C4—S1—C3    | 99.29 (8)    | C9—C4—C5    | 118.74 (17)  |
| C7—O1—H1    | 109.5        | C9—C4—S1    | 121.27 (14)  |
| C2—N1—N2    | 109.56 (14)  | C5—C4—S1    | 119.97 (14)  |
| C2—N1—C3    | 128.98 (15)  | C6—C5—C4    | 120.68 (17)  |
| N2—N1—C3    | 121.22 (14)  | C6—C5—H5    | 119.7        |
| C1—N2—N1    | 102.31 (13)  | C4—C5—H5    | 119.7        |
| C2—N3—C1    | 102.59 (15)  | C5—C6—C7    | 120.46 (17)  |
| N2—C1—N3    | 115.15 (16)  | C5—C6—H6    | 119.8        |
| N2—C1—H1A   | 122.4        | C7—C6—H6    | 119.8        |
| N3—C1—H1A   | 122.4        | O1—C7—C6    | 117.77 (15)  |
| N3—C2—N1    | 110.40 (15)  | O1—C7—C8    | 123.04 (15)  |
| N3—C2—H2    | 124.8        | C6—C7—C8    | 119.19 (16)  |
| N1—C2—H2    | 124.8        | C9—C8—C7    | 120.00 (17)  |
| N1—C3—S1    | 112.49 (12)  | C9—C8—H8    | 120.0        |
| N1—C3—H3A   | 109.1        | C7—C8—H8    | 120.0        |
| S1—C3—H3A   | 109.1        | C8—C9—C4    | 120.93 (17)  |
| N1—C3—H3B   | 109.1        | C8—C9—H9    | 119.5        |
| S1—C3—H3B   | 109.1        | C4—C9—H9    | 119.5        |
| H3A—C3—H3B  | 107.8        |             |              |
| C2—N1—N2—C1 | -0.58 (18)   | C3—S1—C4—C5 | -88.92 (16)  |
| C3—N1—N2—C1 | -175.34 (14) | C9—C4—C5—C6 | -0.9 (3)     |
| N1—N2—C1—N3 | 0.3 (2)      | S1—C4—C5—C6 | 177.54 (14)  |
| C2—N3—C1—N2 | 0.1 (2)      | C4—C5—C6—C7 | 0.3 (3)      |
| C1—N3—C2—N1 | -0.45 (19)   | C5—C6—C7—O1 | 179.81 (16)  |
| N2—N1—C2—N3 | 0.68 (19)    | C5—C6—C7—C8 | 0.4 (3)      |
| C3—N1—C2—N3 | 174.91 (15)  | O1—C7—C8—C9 | -179.87 (16) |
| C2—N1—C3—S1 | -105.58 (18) | C6—C7—C8—C9 | -0.5 (3)     |
| N2—N1—C3—S1 | 68.07 (18)   | C7—C8—C9—C4 | -0.1 (3)     |
| C4—S1—C3—N1 | 55.54 (14)   | C5—C4—C9—C8 | 0.8 (3)      |
| C3—S1—C4—C9 | 89.51 (16)   | S1—C4—C9—C8 | -177.62 (13) |

Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ )

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