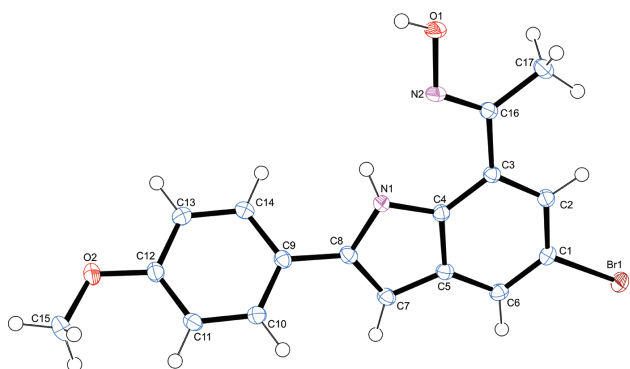


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Crystal structure of 1-(5-bromo-2-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-1*H*-indol-7-yl)ethanone oxime, $C_{17}H_{15}BrN_2O_2$

**Table 1: Data collection and handling.**

Crystal:	Colourless prism
Size:	0.53 × 0.23 × 0.20 mm
Wavelength:	Mo K α radiation (0.71073 Å)
μ :	2.79 mm ⁻¹
Diffractometer, scan mode:	Bruker D8 Venture, ω (0.3°)
$\theta_{\max}$, completeness:	28.0°, >99%
$N(hkl)_{\text{measured}}$, $N(hkl)_{\text{unique}}$, R_{int} :	63347, 3547, 0.026
Criterion for I_{obs} , $N(hkl)_{\text{gt}}$:	$I_{\text{obs}} > 2 \sigma(I_{\text{obs}})$, 3375
$N(\text{param})_{\text{refined}}$:	201
Programs:	Bruker [1], WinGX [2], SHELX [3]

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Abstract

$\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{BrN}_2\text{O}_2$, monoclinic, $P2_1/c$, $a = 14.4197(9) \text{ \AA}$,
 $b = 7.5423(5) \text{ \AA}$, $c = 14.9602(9) \text{ \AA}$, $\beta = 114.665(2)^\circ$,
 $V = 1478.59(16) \text{ \AA}^3$, $Z = 4$, $R_{\text{gt}}(F) = 0.0196$, $wR_{\text{ref}}(F^2) = 0.0526$,
 $T = 173(2) \text{ K}$.

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The crystal structure is shown in the figure. Tables 1 and 2 contain details on crystal structure and measurement conditions and a list of the atoms including atomic coordinates and displacement parameters.

Source of material

A stirred mixture of 1-[5-bromo-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1*H*-indol-7-yl]ethanone (0.30 g, 0.87 mmol), hydroxylamine hydrochloride (0.09 g, 1.31 mmol) and pyridine (0.10 g, 1.31 mmol) in ethanol (20 mL) was heated at 80° C for 5 h. The mixture was cooled to room temperature and quenched with an ice-cold water. The product was extracted into chloroform and the combined organic phases were washed with water and dried over anhydrous MgSO₄. The salt was filtered

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

Atom	x	y	z	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
Br1	0.63095(2)	0.33782(2)	0.04747(2)	0.02122(5)
O1	0.43536(7)	0.67988(15)	0.41273(7)	0.0259(2)
H1	0.453902	0.718149	0.470352	0.039*
O2	1.03667(7)	0.39664(15)	0.92571(7)	0.0244(2)
N1	0.71264(8)	0.46782(14)	0.46882(7)	0.0157(2)
H1A	0.676786	0.510402	0.499261	0.019*
N2	0.52037(8)	0.61063(16)	0.40112(8)	0.0199(2)
C1	0.65295(10)	0.38653(17)	0.17989(9)	0.0168(2)
C2	0.57369(9)	0.46502(16)	0.19660(9)	0.0163(2)
H2	0.511898	0.495549	0.142315	0.02*
C3	0.58440(9)	0.49900(16)	0.29225(9)	0.0146(2)
C4	0.67880(9)	0.45241(16)	0.36876(9)	0.0149(2)
C5	0.75886(9)	0.37437(16)	0.35071(9)	0.0160(2)
C6	0.74481(10)	0.33807(16)	0.25409(10)	0.0172(2)
H6	0.796511	0.282346	0.240357	0.021*
C7	0.84197(10)	0.34631(16)	0.44407(9)	0.0176(2)
H7	0.90623	0.295647	0.45537	0.021*
C8	0.81195(9)	0.40599(17)	0.51449(9)	0.0164(2)
C9	0.86974(9)	0.41048(16)	0.62170(9)	0.0161(2)
C10	0.97385(9)	0.44912(18)	0.66198(9)	0.0187(2)
H10	1.005761	0.476387	0.619479	0.022*
C11	1.03174(9)	0.44848(18)	0.76307(9)	0.0191(2)
H11	1.102378	0.476524	0.789342	0.023*
C12	0.98582(10)	0.40667(17)	0.82537(9)	0.0182(2)
C13	0.88175(10)	0.3686(2)	0.78648(10)	0.0236(3)
H13	0.850207	0.34054	0.829191	0.028*
C14	0.82429(10)	0.37175(19)	0.68566(10)	0.0216(3)
H14	0.753234	0.347294	0.659716	0.026*
C15	1.13840(10)	0.4667(2)	0.96883(10)	0.0248(3)

Table 2 (continued)

Atom	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>U</i> _{iso} ^a / <i>U</i> _{eq}
H15A	1.182127	0.397577	0.946295	0.037*
H15B	1.165116	0.459658	1.040654	0.037*
H15C	1.137466	0.590764	0.948986	0.037*
C16	0.49967(9)	0.57594(16)	0.31074(9)	0.0155(2)
C17	0.39748(10)	0.6101(2)	0.22759(10)	0.0247(3)
H17A ^a	0.399186	0.57355	0.165425	0.037*
H17B ^a	0.345006	0.542113	0.238182	0.037*
H17C ^a	0.381554	0.736808	0.224892	0.037*
H17D ^a	0.351311	0.66143	0.253574	0.037*
H17E ^a	0.405492	0.692868	0.180817	0.037*
H17F ^a	0.368943	0.498173	0.194107	0.037*

^aOccupancy: 0.5.

off and the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue recrystallized from ethanol to the title compound as a white solid (0.25 g, 80%), m.p. 202–204° C; **IR**: ν_{max} (ATR) 521, 585, 612, 653, 671, 755, 796, 826, 984, 1017, 1172, 1185, 1246, 1323, 1372, 1439, 1460, 1497, 3372, 3518 cm^{−1}; **¹H-NMR** (DMSO-*d*₆) 2.30 (3H, s, CH₃), 3.80 (3H, s, OCH₃), 6.80 (1H, s, 3-H), 7.04 (2H, d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 3',5'-H), 7.42 (1H, d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 6-H), 7.70 (3H, m, 4-H and 2',6'-H), 10.84 (1H, s, NH), 11.57 (1H, s, OH); **¹³C-NMR** (DMSO-*d*₆) 11.3, 55.7, 98.0, 112.3, 115.0, 121.4, 122.9, 123.4, 124.2, 126.9, 131.6, 132.2, 139.4, 154.2, 159.8; *m/z* 359 (100, *M* + H); **HRMS** (ES): found 359.0293. C₁₇H₁₆N₂O₂ ⁷⁹Br⁺ requires 359.0395.

Experimental details

Data reduction was carried out using SAINT+ and SADABS [1]. The crystal structure was solved by Direct Methods using SHELXTL. Hydrogen atoms were positioned geometrically and allowed to ride on their respective parent atoms. Hydrogen atoms involved in hydrogen bonding were refined freely [2–4]. Diagrams and publication material were generated using SHELXTL and PLATON [4].

Comment

The indole nucleus is an important scaffold in numerous natural and synthetic alkaloids and indole have a wide range of application in medicine and materials [5]. Oximes represent important building blocks in the synthesis of amides via the Beckmann rearrangement. The oximes derived from the 1-(2,5-diaryl-1H-indol-7-yl)ethanones, for example, were previously found to undergo trifluoroacetic acid-mediated Beckmann rearrangement to afford the *N*-(2,5-diaryl-1H-indol-7-yl)-acetamides [6]. The *O*-mesyl or tosyl-oximes derived from indole derivatives, on the other hand, have been found to react with liquid ammonia at low temperature to afford

diaziridines [7]. Recourse to the literature revealed that a bromine atom on the fused benzo ring of an indole framework imparts significant antitumour activity in both the synthetic [8] and the naturally occurring indole derivatives [9]. This knowledge encouraged us to incorporate an acetamide group on 2-aryl-7-acetyl-5-bromoindoles via initial oximation and subsequent Beckmann rearrangement. During this transformation, we were able to obtain crystals of the title compound.

The title crystal structure shows intermolecular {N(1)–H(1)···N(2)} and intermolecular {O(2)–H(2)···O(1)} hydrogen bonding with no π -stacking of the indole. There is coplanarity between the aromatic rings of the indole. The oxime group is also co-planar with the indole with torsion angle C(4)–C(3)–C(16)–N(2) value of 5°. The hydroxyl group is *trans* to the indole framework to avoid steric interaction. The methyl group of the 4-methoxy of the molecule, on the other hand, is rotated towards the C11 with the C(15)–O(1) bond length of 1.44 Å, which is typical for a methoxy group attached to an aromatic ring. The geometry of the oxime moiety reveal that the C3 atom is significantly asymmetrically positioned off the six membered ring.

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