

Synthesis, Spectral Characterization and Crystal Structure of 2-((3-Aminophenyl)(phenyl)methylene)hydrazinecarboxamide

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ABSTRACT

A benzophenone substituted semicarbazone, 2-((3-aminophenyl)(phenyl)methylene)hydrazinecarboxamide (APHC) had been synthesized in good yield by the condensation of 3-aminobenzophenone and semicarbazide hydrochloride. The title compound was elucidated by elemental analysis (CHN), FTIR, ¹H and ¹³C-NMR, ¹H-¹H COSY, TGA and single crystal X-ray diffraction. The compound crystallized in the orthorhombic crystal system with space group of *Pccn*, *Z* = 32, *V* = 10375.1 (2) Å³, and lattice constants *a* = 12.3855 (1) Å, *b* = 34.5746 (5) Å, *c* = 24.2283 (3) Å and $\gamma = \beta = \alpha = 90^\circ$. The molecular view shows that APHC contains four molecules of each species in the asymmetric unit, with similar geometries. However, there is no intramolecular hydrogen bond found in the crystal structure of the synthesized compound. X-ray diffraction also reveals that the molecule of the semicarbazone exists as a *Z* isomer with respect to the C=N.

Keywords: Semicarbazone; Aminobenzophenone; Benzophenone; Hydrazone

1. Introduction

Semicarbazones are urea derivatives with versatile structural features having the general formula $R_1R_2C=N-NH-(CO)-NH_2$ formally derived by condensation of aldehyde or ketone with semicarbazide. In recent years a great number of studies have been devoted to the search for derivatives of semicarbazides and studied their chemical and structural properties due to their chemistry and potentially beneficial biological activities, such as anticonvulsant [1-2], antimicrobial [3-5], antioxidant [6], anticancer [7], etc. They are organic compounds that possess C=N functional group and are considered as one of the important classes of Schiff base compounds parallel with their sulfur analog, thiosemicarbazones. Semicarbazones are among the most relevant nitrogen-oxygen donor ligands that provide potential binding sites for a wide variety of metal ions [8-10]. They usually react as chelating ligands with transition metal ions by bonding through the oxygen and the hydrazinic nitrogen atom. However, their coordination capacity is highly affected

by the position of the chelating group present on the aldehyde or ketone part of the semicarbazone compound. In this paper, we report the synthesis, characterization and crystal structure of newly synthesized semicarbazone compound, namely as 2-((3-aminophenyl)(phenyl)methylene)hydrazinecarboxamide, APHC. **Figure 1** displays the synthetic route of APHC.

2. Experimental

In the preparation of APHC, all the reagents were used as received. Melting point was determined by Stuart Scientific (UK) apparatus. Elemental analysis (CHN) was carried out on a Perkin Elmer Series II, 2400 analyzer. IR spectrum was recorded as KBr pellets on a Perkin Elmer System 2000 FTIR spectrophotometer in the wavenumber range of 4000 - 400 cm⁻¹. NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance III 500 MHz spectrometer in DMSO-d₆ using tetramethylsilane as an internal standard. Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) data was recorded by Mettler Toledo TS0801RO Sample Robot (TGA/SDTA-851^c), heating rate of 20°C/min in the range of 30°C -

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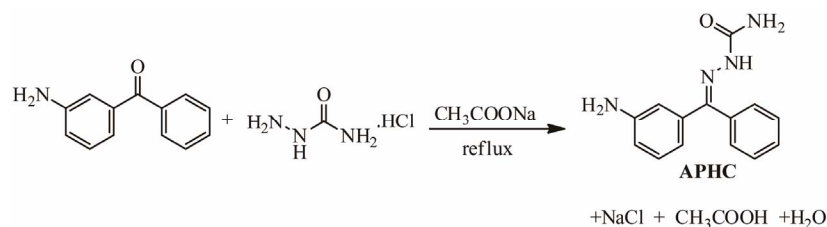


Figure 1. Synthetic pathway of APHC.

900°C under nitrogen atmosphere.

2.1. Synthesis of 2-((3-Aminophenyl)(phenyl)methylene)hydrazinecarboxamide, APHC

A 5.5 mL ethanolic solution of 3-aminobenzophenone (3 mmol) was added dropwise to an aqueous solution of semicarbazide hydrochloride (3 mmol) and sodium acetate (4.5 mmol). The mixture was stirred well and refluxed till a clear solution was obtained. The solution was kept under controlled evaporation. After few days, brown crystals were formed. Single crystal of APHC suitable for X-ray crystallography was obtained after recrystallization from ethanol. Yield: 79%. m.p.: 196°C - 197°C. Anal. Calcd for C₁₄H₁₄N₄O: C 66.14, H 5.51, N 22.05%; found: C 66.10, H 5.57, N 22.02%. Main IR bands (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3471 (m), 3451 (m), 3337 (m), 3192 (m), 1687 (s), 1629 (m), 1582 (s), 1494 (sh), 1450 (s), 1394 (m), 1328 (m), 1032 (w). ¹H-NMR 500 MHz, (DMSO-d₆, ppm): δ 5.41 (2H, s, Ar-NH₂), 6.35 - 6.36 (1H, td, H6), 6.40 (1H, s, H₂), 6.70 (2H, s, CONH₂), 6.72 - 6.74 (1H, ddd, H4), 7.26 (1H, t, H5), 7.35 - 7.37 (3H, m, H10, H11, H12), 7.61 - 7.63 (2H, m, H9, H13), 7.67 (1H, s, NH). ¹³C NMR (ppm): δ 112.49, 114.57, 114.74, 126.87, 128.16, 128.82, 130.32, 132.24, 136.99, 147.42 (C=N), 149.87 (C-NH₂), 155.65 (C=O).

2.2. X-Ray Structure Determination

Crystals were placed in the cold stream of an Oxford Cryosystems Cobra open-flow nitrogen cryostat [11] operating at 100.0 (1) K. Crystallographic data was collected using a Bruker SMART APEX II DUO CCD diffractometer [12]. The data were then reduced using SAINT [12] software. *SADABS* and SAINT software [12] were used for absorption correction and data reduction, respectively. The structure was refined by full-matrix least squares on *F*² and solved by direct methods using the *SHELXTL* [13] software package. N-bound H atoms were located in a difference Fourier map and refined freely [N-H = 0.79 (2) - 1.08 (3) Å]. The remaining hydrogen atoms were positioned geometrically [C-H = 0.95 Å] and were refined using a riding model, with *U*_{iso}(H) = 1.2 *U*_{eq}(C). The crystal APHC was an inversion twin with a 0.180 (1):0.820 (1) domain ratio. The details of the crystal data and structure refinements are given in **Table 1**.

Table 1. Crystal and structure refinement data of APHC.

Compound	APHC
Formula	C ₁₄ H ₁₄ N ₄ O
Formula weight	254.29
Color, shape	Brown; block
Crystal system	Orthorhombic
Space group	<i>Pccn</i>
<i>Z</i>	32
Lattice constants	<i>a</i> = 12.3855(1) Å, <i>b</i> = 34.5746(5) Å, <i>c</i> = 24.2283(3) Å, <i>γ</i> = <i>β</i> = <i>α</i> = 90°
Volume (Å ³)	10375.1(2)
D _x (Mg m ⁻³)	1.302
<i>μ</i> (mm ⁻¹)	0.09
<i>F</i> (000)	4288
<i>θ</i> range (°)	2.4 to 29.0
<i>h, k, l</i>	-14/17, -48/42, -31/34
Reflections collected	86543
Reflections unique	15195
<i>T</i> _{min} / <i>T</i> _{max}	0.965/0.980
<i>R</i> (<i>int</i>)	0.057
Number of parameters	765
Goodness of Fit	1.07
Final <i>R</i> index [<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)]	0.073

3. Results and Discussion

3.1. Description of the Crystal Structure

The molecular view of APHC (**Figure 2**) shows that APHC contains four molecules of each species in the asymmetric unit, with similar geometries. In each molecule, the benzene rings make dihedral angle of 88.13 (11), 86.22 (10), 82.65 (11) and 78.22 (11)°, respectively, indicating both rings are essentially perpendicular to each other. The selected bond lengths and bond angles are given in **Table 2**. There is no intramolecular hydrogen bond found in crystal structure of APHC. In the crystal packing (**Figure 3**), molecules are linked *via* intermolecular N-H...O and N-H...N hydrogen bonds (**Table 3**) into extended one-dimensional chains along [100]. Adjacent chains are cross-linked *via* further N-H...O inter-

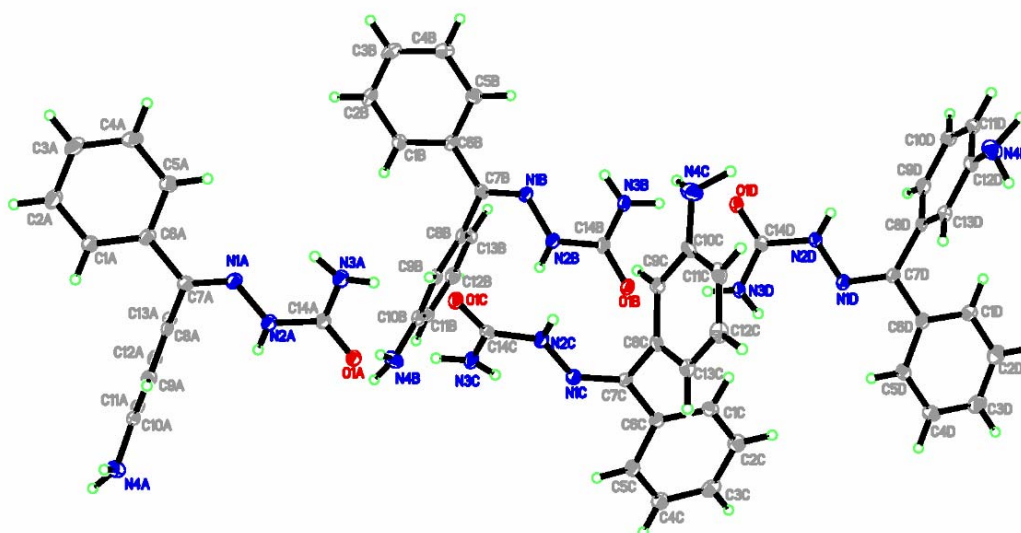


Figure 2. The molecular structures of APHC, showing 30% probability displacement ellipsoids for non-H atoms and the atom-numbering scheme.

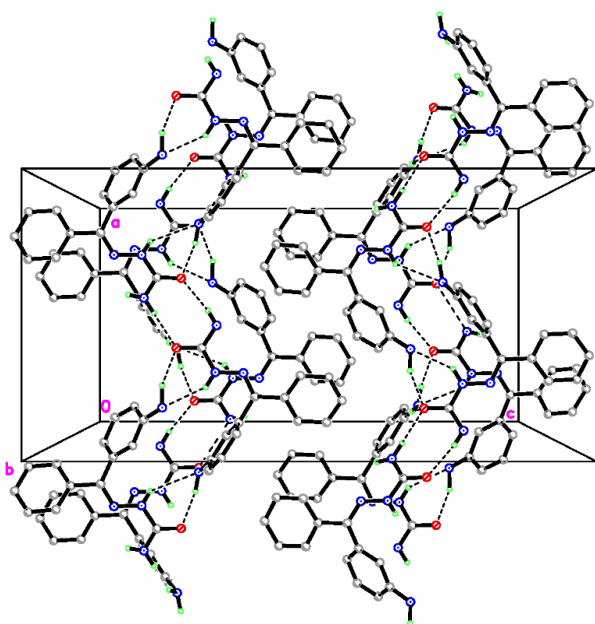


Figure 3. The crystal structures of APHC, viewed along the *b* and *a* axes, respectively.

Table 2. Selected bond lengths (Å) and bond angles (°).

Bond	Length	Bond	Angle
C6-C7	1.483 (3)	C7-N1-N2	116.49 (17)
C7-C8	1.500 (3)	C14-N2-N1	120.55 (17)
N1-C7	1.286 (3)	N2-C14-N3	117.98 (18)
N2-C14	1.362 (3)	N1-C7-C6	117.50 (18)
N3-C14	1.335 (3)	N1-C7-C8	123.66 (18)
O1-C14	1.251 (2)	C6-C7-C8	118.67 (17)
N1-N2	1.387 (2)	O1-C14-N3	123.27 (19)
		O1-C14-N2	118.75 (18)

actions into two-dimensional networks parallel to (001) plane. The crystal structure is further consolidated by $R_2^2(6)$ and $R_2^2(10)$ ring motifs [14].

3.2. FT-IR Spectrum

In the FT-IR spectrum of APHC, the N-H stretching vibrations of NH_2 and N-H groups are appeared as medium-intensity bands in the region of $3192 - 3471 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. A strong absorption characteristic of C=O stretching mode of an amide (amide I band) is observed at 1687 cm^{-1} while the $\delta(\text{N-H})$ (amide II band) is observed at 1450 cm^{-1} [15]. The C=N stretching vibration of an azomethine group is attributed to an absorption at 1582 cm^{-1} [16] and the $\nu(\text{N-N})$ band in APHC is assigned to the vibration at 1032 cm^{-1} [17].

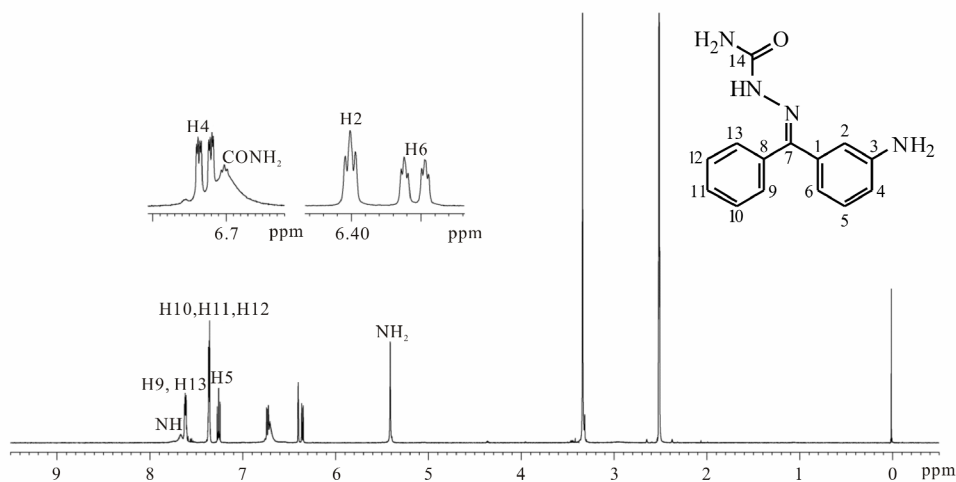
3.3. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ Spectroscopy

Figure 4 illustrates the $^1\text{H-NMR}$ spectrum of APHC. Singlets at δ 5.41 and 6.70 ppm are assigned to the aromatic amine protons and the amide protons, respectively, whilst proton in the secondary amine -NH- group is assigned to a broad singlet at δ 7.67 ppm. The triplet of doublets at δ 6.35 - 6.36 ppm, triplet at δ 6.40 ppm, doublet of doublet of doublets at δ 6.72 - 6.74 ppm and triplet at δ 7.26 ppm are attributed to H6, H2, H4 and H5, respectively. H2, H4 and H6 are meta magnetically coupled to each other. At the same time, H4 is also coupled to H5 with a characteristic ortho coupling constant of 8 Hz. The same goes to the coupling between H6 and H5, where H6 is located at the ortho position towards H5. The aromatic protons H10, H11 and H12 are assigned to a multiplet at δ 7.35 - 7.37 ppm. On the other hand, H9 and H13 which are chemically equivalent are assigned to

Table 3. Geometries of intermolecular hydrogen bonds in APHC.

D-H...A	D-H/Å	H...A/Å	D...A/Å	D-H...A/Å
N3B-H3NB...O1D	0.88 (2)	1.94 (2)	2.814 (2)	177 (2)
N2C-H1NC...N4A	0.89 (2)	2.61 (2)	3.347 (3)	141.5 (19)
N3D-H2ND...O1B	0.80 (2)	2.04 (2)	2.838 (2)	172 (3)
N4A-H5NA...O1C	0.98 (3)	2.01 (3)	2.970 (3)	165 (3)
N4B-H5NB...O1A ⁱ	0.92 (3)	2.04 (3)	2.956 (3)	170 (3)
N3A-H3NA...O1C ⁱⁱ	0.88 (3)	2.11 (3)	2.979 (2)	171 (3)
N4D-H5ND...O1B ⁱⁱ	1.01 (4)	2.03 (4)	3.024 (3)	167 (3)
N3C-H3NC...O1A ⁱ	0.89 (3)	2.05 (3)	2.931 (2)	173 (3)
N2A-H1NA...N4C	0.87 (2)	2.35 (2)	3.127 (3)	148 (2)
N3C-H2NC...N4D ⁱ	0.83 (3)	2.58 (3)	3.373 (3)	160 (2)
N4C-H5NC...O1A	1.08 (4)	1.97 (4)	3.001 (3)	159 (3)
N4B-H4NB...O1D ⁱ	0.95 (3)	1.98 (3)	2.916 (3)	172 (2)
N4A-H4NA...O1A ⁱⁱⁱ	0.99 (3)	2.21 (3)	3.030 (3)	140 (3)

symmetry code : (i) x-1, y, z; (ii) x+1, y, z; (iii) x-1/2, -y+1, -z+1/2.

**Figure 4.** ¹H-NMR spectrum of APHC.

a multiplet at δ 7.61 - 7.63 ppm.

4. Conclusion

Semicarbazone substituted 3-aminobenzophenone had been synthesized in good yield. Melting point determination was performed to check the purity of the compound. Results obtained from the elemental, thermal, spectral (FTIR, NMR) and X-ray crystallography had confirmed the proposed structure of the synthesized semicarbazone.

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