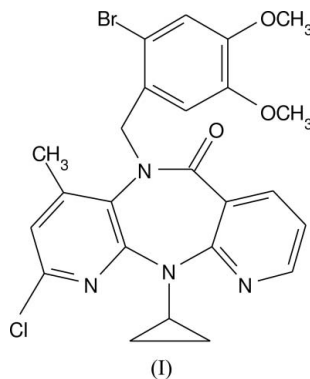


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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 295$  K  
Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.006$  Å  
 $R$  factor = 0.050  
 $wR$  factor = 0.155  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 13.4For details of how these key indicators were  
automatically derived from the article, see  
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.10-(2-Bromo-4,5-dimethoxybenzyl)-7-chloro-  
5-cyclopropyl-9-methyl-5,10-dihydro-4,5,6,10-  
tetraazadibenzo[*a,d*]cyclohepten-11-oneIn the crystal structure of the title compound,  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{22}\text{BrClN}_4\text{O}_3$ , there are  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  and  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{Br}$  intermolecular hydrogen bonds, and also  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$ ,  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{Br}$  and  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$  intramolecular hydrogen bonds.Received 30 August 2006  
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## Comment

There has been widespread interest in the chemistry of azepines due to their biological activities and their applications as anti-HIV drugs (Dyatkin *et al.*, 1998). This is the first human immuno-deficiency virus type 1 (HIV-1) non-nucleoside reverse transcriptase (RT) inhibitor to obtain regulatory approval (Cywin *et al.*, 1998). It prevents the damage to the immune system and reduces the risk of developing AIDS-related illness (Campiani *et al.*, 1999). The compound 7-chloro-5-cyclopropyl-9-methyl-5,10-dihydro-4,5,6,10-tetraazadibenzo[*a,d*]cyclohepten-11-one is an intermediate of a potent anti-HIV drug, Nevirapine. The *N*-alkylation of the compound by different alkyl and aryl halides leads to novel molecules of biological interest.In the title compound (I),  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{22}\text{BrClN}_4\text{O}_3$ , the central seven-membered ring is puckered. Atoms N5 and N13 deviate from the plane defined by the atoms N3/C2/C16–C8/N7/C6–C4 by 1.091 (3) and  $-0.952$  (3) Å, respectively. This deviation may be attributed to the substitution of the 5-cyclopropyl and 10-(2-bromo-4,5-dimethoxybenzyl) groups. The total puckering amplitude  $Q_T$  (Cremer & Pople, 1975) is 2.606 (4) Å.The structure exhibits intermolecular hydrogen bonding of the types  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  and  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{Br}$  (Table 1 and Fig. 2). The packing of the molecules, when viewed down the *a* axis (Fig. 2), indicates that the molecules are interlinked by hydrogen bonds.

## Experimental

To a solution of 7-chloro-5-cyclopropyl-9-methyl-5,10-dihydro-4,5,6,10-tetraazadibenzo[*a,d*]cyclohepten-11-one (0.5 g, 1.66 mmol)

in 5 ml of DMF, a mixture of 1-bromo-2-bromomethyl-4,5-dimethoxybenzene (0.51 g, 1.66 mmol) and anhydrous powdered potassium carbonate (0.688 g, 4.98 mmol) were added, and the mixture was heated to 333 K for 6 h. The reaction was monitored by TLC. After completion of the reaction, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the product extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was dried with anhydrous sodium sulfate. The solvent was evaporated to obtain the crude product which was purified over silica gel using hexane and ethyl acetate (8:2) as an eluent for column chromatography (yield: 80%). The pure product thus obtained was recrystallized by slow evaporation of an acetonitrile solution. After five days, pale-yellow crystals were obtained. Melting point: 461–463 K. Elemental analysis data in (%) for  $C_{24}H_{22}BrClN_4O_3$ , calculated: C 54.41, H 4.19, N 10.57; found: C 54.43, H 4.17, N 10.54.

#### Crystal data

$C_{24}H_{22}BrClN_4O_3$	$Z = 4$
$M_r = 529.82$	$D_x = 1.495 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$a = 9.0680$ (9) Å	$\mu = 1.89 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$b = 16.7840$ (9) Å	$T = 295$ (2) K
$c = 16.1960$ (16) Å	Block, pale yellow
$\beta = 107.260$ (2)°	$0.30 \times 0.25 \times 0.25 \text{ mm}$
$V = 2354.0$ (4) Å <sup>3</sup>	

#### Data collection

MacScience DIPLabo 32001 diffractometer	4048 independent reflections
$\omega$ scans	2933 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
Absorption correction: none	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.032$
7627 measured reflections	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.0^\circ$

#### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0944P)^2 + 0.2553P]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.050$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$wR(F^2) = 0.155$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$
$S = 1.05$	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.40 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
4048 reflections	$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.68 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
301 parameters	
H-atom parameters constrained	

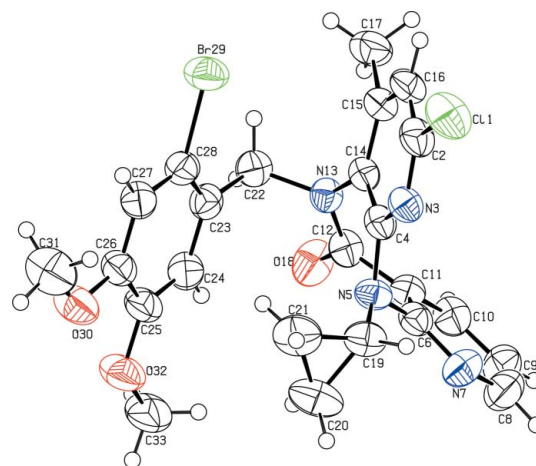
**Table 1**

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-H \cdots A$	$D-H$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D-H \cdots A$
$C21-H13B \cdots Br29^i$	0.97	2.72	3.514 (5)	139
$C22-H22A \cdots O18$	0.97	2.33	2.730 (6)	104
$C22-H22B \cdots Br29$	0.97	2.71	3.239 (5)	115
$C27-H27 \cdots O18^{ii}$	0.93	2.47	3.390 (6)	170
$C17-H33B \cdots N13$	0.96	2.56	2.961 (5)	105

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

H atoms were placed at idealized positions and allowed to ride on their parent atoms with C–H distances in the range 0.93–0.98 Å;  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{carrier atom})$  for all H atoms.



**Figure 1**

The molecular structure of (I), with 50% probability displacement ellipsoids.

Data collection: *XPRESS* (MacScience, 2002); cell refinement: *SCALEPACK* (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997); data reduction: *DENZO* and *SCALEPACK* (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *PLATON* (Spek, 2003); *ORTEPII* (Johnson, 1976); software used to prepare material for publication: *PLATON*.

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