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Ethyl 2-chloro-[2-(4-chlorophenyl)hydrazin-1-ylidene]acetate

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Abstract: The title compound, $C_{10}H_{10}Cl_2N_2O_2$, features a planar C_{ar} -N(H)-N=C(Cl) unit [torsion angle = $5.5(4)^\circ$] whose benzene substituent is coplanar with it [dihedral angle = $4.7(4)^\circ$]; this unit is slightly twisted with respect to the carboxyl $-CO_2$ fragment [dihedral angle = $2.2(52)^\circ$]. The amino group acts as a hydrogen-bond donor to the carbonyl O atom of an adjacent molecule; the hydrogen bond generates a helical polymer that runs along the b axis of the monoclinic unit cell.