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cis-9,10-Bis(bromomethyl)-1,4,5,8-tetraoxadecalin

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; T = 295 K; mean σ (C–C) = 0.004 Å; R factor = 0.037; wR factor = 0.102; data-to-parameter ratio = 14.9.

The title compound, $C_8H_{12}Br_2O_4$, is a bicyclic ketal in which the two six-membered rings are cis to one another and assume a double-chair conformation. A crystallographic twofold axis bisects the molecule.

Related literature

A determination of this structure has been previously attempted (Fuchs et al., 1972), but the authors did not publish or deposit any atomic coordinates. The same paper gives detailed information for a related structure which has H atoms in place of the bromomethyl groups of the title compound. A search of the Cambridge Structural Database [Version 5.29; (Allen, 2002); CONQUEST (Bruno et al., 2002)] did not yield any other closely related structures. See also: Fuchs (1970).



Experimental

Crystal data

$C_8H_{12}Br_2O_4$	V = 1067.9 (2) Å ³
$M_r = 332$	Z = 4
Orthorhombic, Pnca	Cu $K\alpha$ radiation
a = 8.5314 (14) Å	$\mu = 9.57 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
b = 9.5295 (7) Å	T = 295 (2) K
c = 13.1348 (13) Å	$0.5 \times 0.3 \times 0.15 \text{ mm}$

Data collection

Enra-Nonius CAD4 diffractometer
Absorption correction: multi-scan
(Blessing, 1995)
$T_{\min} = 0.039, \ T_{\max} = 0.486$
(expected range = $0.019-0.238$)
4584 measured reflections

Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.036$	65 parameters
$wR(F^2) = 0.101$	H-atom parameters constrained
S = 1.10	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.45 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
968 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.43 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

968 independent reflections 915 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

every 67 reflections

intensity decay: 3%

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.063$ 3 standard reflections

Data collection: CAD-4 EXPRESS (Enraf-Nonius, 1994); cell refinement: CAD-4 EXPRESS; data reduction: XCAD4 (Harms & Wocadlo, 1995); program(s) used to solve structure: DIRDIF (Beurskens et al., 1999); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: ORTEP-3 for Windows (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: WinGX (Farrugia, 1999).

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Comment

The title compound is a bicyclic ketal in which the two six-membered rings are *cis* to one another and assume a doublechair conformation. A crystallographic twofold axis relates one of the fused rings to the other.

A determination of this structure has been previously attempted (Fuchs *et al.*, 1972), but the authors did not publish or deposit any atomic coordinates. They halted their study after three cycles of isotropic refinement because "...the accuracy of the atomic parameters was relatively low." They did present the Fourier map resulting from the isotropic refinement, and it shows an overall structure in agreement with that presented here. The space group and unit-cell parameters which they obtained are also in agreement with those of the present study.

The authors of this prior study attributed the "relatively low" accuracy of their atomic parameters to the domination of the scattering by the Br atoms. Our present study suggests that the importance of absorption corrections probably played a part as well.

The same paper (Fuchs *et al.*, 1972) gives detailed structural information for a related compound which has hydrogen atoms in place of the bromomethyl groups of the title compound. That structure is similar to the one reported here, in that the two six-membered rings are *cis* to one another and assume a doublechair conformation.

Experimental

The title compound **3** has been described as the major reaction product in the acid-catalyzed reaction of diketone **1** with ethylene glycol (Fuchs, 1970). Since the dispiro derivative **2** was needed for one of our projects, literature procedures (Fuchs *et al.*, 1972) were followed to yield a product mixture from which only the bicyclic title compound **3** could be isolated, as colorless crystals. The NMR data obtained for **3** deviated from the published data (Fuchs, 1970), and the X-ray structure was therefore determined to ultimately confirm the formation of **3**.

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ = 4.14 (m_c, 4H), 3.75 (m_c, 4H), 3.69 (s, 4H) p.p.m..

¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125.7 MHz): δ = 92.3, 61.1, 31.6 p.p.m..

Refinement

All H atoms were constrained using a riding model. C — H bond lengths were fixed at 0.97 Å, with $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2 U_{eq.}(C)$.

Figures



Fig. 1. View of the title compound, **3**, with 50% probability displacement ellipsoids. [Symmetry code: (') -x + 1/2, -y + 1, z.]

Fig. 2. Schematic representations of compounds 1-4.

 $l = -15 \rightarrow 15$

3 standard reflections

every 67 reflections

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$C_8H_{12}Br_2O_4$	$F_{000} = 648$
$M_r = 332$	$D_{\rm x} = 2.065 {\rm ~Mg~m}^{-3}$
Orthorhombic, Pnca	Cu $K\alpha$ radiation $\lambda = 1.54184$ Å
Hall symbol: -P 2a 2n	Cell parameters from 23 reflections
<i>a</i> = 8.5314 (14) Å	$\theta = 9.7 - 23.5^{\circ}$
<i>b</i> = 9.5295 (7) Å	$\mu = 9.57 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
c = 13.1348 (13) Å	T = 295 (2) K
V = 1067.9 (2) Å ³	Irregular, colorless
Z = 4	$0.5\times0.3\times0.15~mm$
Data collection	
Enra–Nonius CAD4 diffractometer	$R_{\rm int} = 0.063$
Radiation source: normal-focus sealed tube	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 67.6^{\circ}$
Monochromator: graphite	$\theta_{\min} = 5.7^{\circ}$
Non–profiled $\omega/2\theta$ scans	$h = -10 \rightarrow 10$
Absorption correction: multi-scan	$k = -11 \rightarrow 0$

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Refinement

Refinement on F^2	H-atom parameters constrained
Least-squares matrix: full	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0428P)^2 + 0.7055P]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.036$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$

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$wR(F^2) = 0.101$	$\Delta \rho_{max} = 0.45 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$
<i>S</i> = 1.10	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.43 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
968 reflections	Extinction correction: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 2008), $Fc^*=kFc[1+0.001xFc^2\lambda^3/sin(2\theta)]^{-1/4}$
65 parameters	Extinction coefficient: 0.0045 (3)

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.

	x	У	Ζ	$U_{\rm iso}$ */ $U_{\rm eq}$
Br	0.12607 (5)	0.16873 (4)	0.02778 (4)	0.0766 (3)
O2	0.0390 (2)	0.4700 (2)	0.13501 (17)	0.0603 (6)
01	0.2328 (3)	0.3492 (2)	0.21071 (17)	0.0605 (6)
C4	0.2152 (4)	0.3552 (3)	0.0252 (2)	0.0588 (8)
H4A	0.3256	0.3483	0.0083	0.071*
H4B	0.1644	0.4092	-0.028	0.071*
C3	0.0090 (4)	0.5542 (4)	0.2241 (3)	0.0672 (9)
H3A	0.0354	0.5012	0.2848	0.081*
H3B	-0.1015	0.5779	0.2273	0.081*
C1	0.1982 (3)	0.4327 (3)	0.1255 (2)	0.0545 (7)
C2	0.3958 (4)	0.3150 (4)	0.2203 (3)	0.0680 (10)
H2A	0.4284	0.2583	0.1628	0.082*
H2B	0.4125	0.2609	0.2819	0.082*

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (A^2)

Atomic displacement parameters $(Å^2)$

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
Br	0.0951 (5)	0.0623 (4)	0.0725 (4)	-0.00632 (17)	-0.00192 (18)	-0.00707 (17)
O2	0.0530 (11)	0.0674 (14)	0.0606 (12)	0.0026 (10)	0.0035 (10)	-0.0047 (11)
01	0.0656 (13)	0.0620 (13)	0.0539 (12)	0.0008 (10)	-0.0008 (11)	0.0060 (10)
C4	0.0597 (18)	0.0570 (18)	0.060 (2)	0.0007 (14)	0.0019 (14)	-0.0019 (14)
C3	0.0648 (19)	0.073 (2)	0.064 (2)	0.0056 (16)	0.0107 (17)	-0.0070 (17)
C1	0.0510 (15)	0.0600 (19)	0.0525 (17)	0.0049 (13)	0.0015 (13)	-0.0006 (13)
C2	0.072 (2)	0.069 (2)	0.063 (2)	0.0096 (16)	-0.0108 (17)	0.0074 (17)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

Br—C4	1.933 (3)	C4—H4B	0.97
O2—C1	1.409 (4)	C3—C2 ⁱ	1.489 (5)
O2—C3	1.442 (4)	С3—НЗА	0.97
01—C1	1.404 (4)	С3—Н3В	0.97
01—C2	1.434 (4)	C1—C1 ⁱ	1.558 (6)

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C4—C1	1.518 (4)	C2—H2A	0.97
C4—H4A	0.97	C2—H2B	0.97
C1—O2—C3	112.5 (2)	НЗА—СЗ—НЗВ	108.2
C1—O1—C2	113.7 (3)	O1—C1—O2	105.9 (2)
C1—C4—Br	113.2 (2)	O1—C1—C4	113.3 (3)
C1—C4—H4A	108.9	O2—C1—C4	107.0 (3)
Br—C4—H4A	108.9	01—C1—C1 ⁱ	110.3 (2)
C1—C4—H4B	108.9	O2—C1—C1 ⁱ	109.8 (3)
Br—C4—H4B	108.9	C4—C1—C1 ⁱ	110.3 (2)
H4A—C4—H4B	107.7	O1—C2—C3 ⁱ	110.0 (3)
O2—C3—C2 ⁱ	110.0 (3)	O1—C2—H2A	109.7
O2—C3—H3A	109.7	C3 ⁱ —C2—H2A	109.7
C2 ⁱ —C3—H3A	109.7	O1—C2—H2B	109.7
O2—C3—H3B	109.7	C3 ⁱ —C2—H2B	109.7
C2 ⁱ —C3—H3B	109.7	H2A—C2—H2B	108.2

Symmetry codes: (i) -x+1/2, -y+1, z.



Fig. 2

