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6-Acetoxy-5-methoxy-1-methyl-1,2,3,9a-tetrahydrocyclohexa[*ij*]isoquinoline-7-spiro-4'-(2'-methoxy-2',5'-cyclohexadien-1'-one) Methiodide (Acetyl Dienone II Methiodide)

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Abstract. $C_{22}H_{25}NO_5 \cdot CH_3I$, $M_r = 525.4$, m.p. 255 ~ 256°C (crystallized from methanol solutions), $C2/c$, $a = 20.435$ (10), $b = 11.899$ (5), $c = 21.379$ (10) Å, $\beta = 113.74$ (1)°, $U = 4758$ Å³, $Z = 8$, $D_x = 1.467$ g cm⁻³, $\mu(\text{Mo } K\alpha) = 13.6$ cm⁻¹. The configuration around the spiro C atom has been determined to be such that the methoxy group of ring *D* is oriented *syn* with respect to the H atom at the junction of rings *B* and *C*.

Introduction. Kreysiginone (dienone I), a minor alkaloid of *Kreysigia multiflora*, is a homoproprorphine alkaloid existing as one of the two possible spiro isomers (Battersby, McDonald, Munro & Ramage, 1967; Battersby, Bradbury, Hervert, Munro & Ramage, 1974). The stereostructures of these two isomers, dienone I and dienone II (Fig. 1), have been proposed on the basis of chemical reactivity towards hydrochloric acid (Kametani, Satoh, Yagi & Fukumoto, 1967, 1968). Apart from the natural product, dienone II has been synthesized from a phenolic 1-phenethyltetrahydroisoquinoline and the structure of its methiodide derivative has been determined by X-ray methods. A brief account of the stereospecific synthesis has been published along with a preliminary report of the present structure determination (Hara, Hoshino, Umezawa & Iitaka, 1977).

Diffraction data were obtained from a crystal of approximate dimensions 0.13 × 0.18 × 0.25 mm. The lattice constants were determined by the least-squares treatment of the setting angles of 23 reflexions measured on a Philips PW 1100 diffractometer using

graphite-monochromated Mo $K\alpha$ radiation. The 2θ angles ranged from 21 to 35°.

Intensities were measured by the θ - 2θ scan method at a scan speed of 6° min⁻¹ in θ . When the total counts during the first scan were less than 3000, scans were repeated twice. The background was measured at each end of the scan for half the total scan time.

2852 reflexions were measured in a θ range of 3 ~ 23°; of these, 2767 reflexions with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ were used for the subsequent structure analysis. The intensities were corrected for Lorentz and polarization factors but not for absorption. The crystal structure was determined by the heavy-atom method. The locations of almost all the lighter atoms were found on the electron density map synthesized by using the phase angles of the calculated structure factors with the iodide ion. Refinement of the structural parameters was carried out by the block-diagonal least-squares method using the program *HBLIS* (Okaya & Ashida, 1967). The atomic scattering factors of C, N, O and I⁻ and the dispersion corrections of the iodine atom for Mo $K\alpha$ radiation were taken from *International Tables for X-ray Crystallography* (1974). The following weighting system was adopted: $w^{1/2} = 0.1$ for $F_o < 5$, $w^{1/2} = 5/|F_o|$ for $F_o > 5$. The final *R* value was 0.05. The atomic parameters are given in Table 1.*

* Lists of structure factors and anisotropic thermal parameters have been deposited with the British Library Lending Division as Supplementary Publication No. SUP 33848 (12 pp.). Copies may be obtained through The Executive Secretary, International Union of Crystallography, 5 Abbey Square, Chester CH1 2HU, England.

