

between envelope and half chair with the puckering parameters $Q = 0.382(5) \text{ \AA}$, $\varphi = 263.2(6)^\circ$ and lowest asymmetry factors $fC_2(C17) = 0.035(5)$ and $fC_5(O16) = 0.074(6) \text{ \AA}$. The general features of the molecule resemble those of molecule (I) of spirosta-5,25(27)-diene-1 β ,3 β ,11 α -triol monohydrate (Kálmán, Argay, Ribár, Živanov-Stakić & Vladimirov, 1985). However, there is one difference, namely the *B* ring of molecule (I) has a pronounced envelope conformation.

There is one hydrogen bond between symmetrically related molecules $[O(11)-H \cdots O(16)(-x, 0.5 + y, 0.5 - z): O(11) \cdots O(16) \quad 2.956(6), \quad H \cdots O(16)$

$2.18(5) \text{ \AA}$, $\angle O(11)-H \cdots O(16) 173(4)^\circ$], which forms a helix about the twofold screw *b* axis.

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The Structure of 9 α -Acetoxy-8 β -[2'-(*N*-morpholino)ethyl]-10 β -methyl-*trans*-2-decalone*

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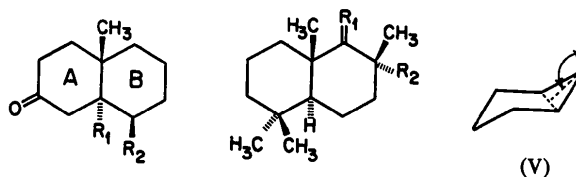
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Abstract. $C_{19}H_{31}NO_4$, $M_r = 337.5$, monoclinic, $P2_1/c$, $a = 8.289(8)$, $b = 10.631(1)$, $c = 21.500(2) \text{ \AA}$, $\beta = 94.25(1)^\circ$, $U = 1889.1(4) \text{ \AA}^3$, $Z = 4$, $D_x = 1.186 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$, $\lambda(\text{Cu } K\alpha) = 1.5418 \text{ \AA}$, $\mu(\text{Cu } K\alpha) = 6.6 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, $F(000) = 736$, room-temperature data collection, final $R = 0.062$ for 1930 reflections. The decalone skeleton adopts a chair–chair conformation which is essentially undistorted even in the presence of the 1,3-diaxial substituents. The mean torsion angle in ring *A*, the cyclohexanone ring, is 51.4° ; the mean in ring *B* is 53.4° . The *N*-morpholinoethyl substituent is extended with an all-*trans* orientation of bonds C(9)–C(8), C(8)–C(17), C(17)–C(18), C(18)–N(19), N(19)–C(24). The mean distances in the morpholine ring are C–N 1.458 , C–C 1.499 , and C–O 1.410 \AA .

Introduction. Reactions in which a proton α to a carbonyl group is abstracted by a general base are important in the function of many enzymes (Spencer, 1979; Westheimer, 1970; Wood, 1971). In our earlier research (Roberts, Ferran, Gula & Spencer, 1980;

Hupe, Kendall & Spencer, 1973) we focused on elucidating why these biochemical α proton transfers so often occur *via* iminium ion formation, and concluded that this pathway has an inherent kinetic advantage, at physiological pH, of $ca 10^5$ compared with direct deprotonation of the carbonyl compound.



- (I) $R_1 = \text{OCOCH}_3$
 $R_2 = (\text{CH}_2)_2\text{C}_4\text{H}_8\text{NO}$
- (II) $R_1 = \text{OCOCH}_3$
 $R_2 = \text{H}$
- (III) $R_1 = \beta - (\text{CH}_2)_2\text{OC} - \text{C}_6\text{H}_4 - \text{Br}$, $\alpha - \text{H}$
 $R_2 = \text{O} \parallel \text{CCH}_3$
- (IV) $R_1 = \alpha - (\text{CH}_2)_2\text{OH}$, $\beta - \text{H}$
 $R_2 = \text{OH}$

The current emphasis in our research concerns the geometry of α proton abstraction. Having the functional groups involved in a reaction localized in the correct positions, rather than free in solution, is generally considered to be an important component of enzymatic catalysis (Jencks, 1969). Accordingly, we have been trying to assess the further contribution to enzymatic rate acceleration of α proton transfer

* 4 α -Methyl-8-[2'-(*N*-morpholino)ethyl]-2-oxo-*trans*-decahydro-8 α -naphthyl acetate.

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‡ The word 'alpha' is used to denote the position of carbons relative to the carbonyl group and the symbols α and β are used to denote substituents underneath and above, respectively, the plane of the decalin ring system.

Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates ($\times 10^4$) for the non-hydrogen atoms, with estimated standard deviations in parentheses, and equivalent isotropic temperature factors, U_{eq} ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^4$)

| | x | y | z | U_{eq} |
|-------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|
| C(1) | 6024 (4) | -661 (3) | 4097 (1) | 448 |
| C(2) | 4776 (4) | 306 (3) | 4225 (2) | 521 |
| C(3) | 5372 (5) | 1631 (3) | 4317 (2) | 666 |
| C(4) | 6540 (4) | 2024 (3) | 3845 (2) | 583 |
| C(5) | 8904 (4) | 1486 (3) | 3230 (2) | 627 |
| C(6) | 10106 (5) | 510 (4) | 3054 (2) | 754 |
| C(7) | 9277 (5) | -732 (4) | 2882 (2) | 700 |
| C(8) | 8269 (4) | -1246 (3) | 3396 (1) | 463 |
| C(9) | 7102 (3) | -235 (2) | 3595 (1) | 366 |
| C(10) | 7902 (4) | 1061 (3) | 3763 (1) | 419 |
| O(11) | 3372 (3) | 28 (3) | 4289 (1) | 746 |
| O(12) | 6031 (2) | 104 (2) | 3034 (1) | 410 |
| C(13) | 4973 (4) | -706 (3) | 2736 (2) | 516 |
| O(14) | 4755 (3) | -1764 (2) | 2888 (1) | 772 |
| C(15) | 4129 (5) | -67 (4) | 2185 (2) | 710 |
| C(16) | 9007 (4) | 1011 (3) | 4369 (1) | 515 |
| C(17) | 9362 (4) | -1859 (3) | 3924 (1) | 484 |
| C(18) | 9587 (4) | -3247 (3) | 3785 (2) | 540 |
| N(19) | 10868 (3) | -3857 (2) | 4179 (1) | 450 |
| C(20) | 12451 (4) | -3476 (3) | 4001 (2) | 621 |
| C(21) | 13767 (5) | -4155 (4) | 4382 (2) | 824 |
| O(22) | 13611 (3) | -5481 (2) | 4321 (1) | 742 |
| C(23) | 12090 (6) | -5859 (4) | 4495 (2) | 832 |
| C(24) | 10735 (4) | -5224 (3) | 4118 (2) | 669 |

which could result from such a correct juxtaposition of the proton and the general basic group that accepts it. Such assessments are made by comparing the rate of intramolecular reaction of a suitable model system with the rates of analogous intermolecular reactions. For use as our intramolecular reactant, we synthesized the title compound (I) (Jacobs, Nelson & Spencer, 1980), a compound in which the morpholino nitrogen can readily attain a position directly above the 1β alpha proton, as judged from molecular models. This geometric analysis, however, was based on the assumption that the cyclohexane ring of (I) exists in an undistorted chair conformation. The present study was undertaken to determine whether or not in fact the presence of the 8β and 10β 1,3-diaxial substituents results in significant distortion of this decalone system. The results of the kinetic study of the intramolecular alpha deprotonation of (I) and appropriate intermolecular analogs will be reported subsequently (Gula, Vitale & Spencer, to be published).

Experimental. A $0.15 \times 0.20 \times 0.25$ mm crystal of (I) was grown by slow evaporation of solution in ether. Data to 2θ of 130° on a Syntex P2, diffractometer, $\theta/2\theta$, variable-speed (2.0 to $29.0^\circ \text{ min}^{-1}$ in 2θ) scans. Cell constants by least squares of 15 reflections widely separated in reciprocal space with $58 \leq 2\theta \leq 66^\circ$. 3131 independent observations, 18 reflections excluded owing to secondary extinction, 1930 of 3113 remaining had $I \geq 2\sigma(I)$ and were used in the structure solution

and refinement. A check reflection, measured after every 99 reflections, showed no diminution in intensity.

Lorentz, polarization and empirical absorption corrections, the latter determined from a ψ scan, applied; scattering factors for C, N and O from Cromer & Waber (1965), for H from Stewart, Davidson & Simpson (1965); direct methods [MULTAN80 (Main, Fiske, Hull, Lessinger, Germain, Declercq & Woolfson, 1980)], full-matrix least-squares refinement minimizing $\sum w|F_o| - |F_c|^2$ with weights $w^{1/2} = 1$ for $|F_o| \leq 8.0$ and $w^{1/2} = 8.0/|F_o|$ for $|F_o| > 8.0$ (program based on FMLS by P. K. Gantzel, R. A. Sparks and K. N. Trueblood, modified by A. T. McPhail); all H atoms located in a difference synthesis; anisotropic temperature factors for non-hydrogen atoms, isotropic factors for H atoms; convergence at $R = 0.062$, $wR = 0.070$, $S = 0.721$, max. $(\Delta/\sigma) = 0.171$ for the non-hydrogen atoms, max. $\Delta\rho$ peak 0.23 e \AA^{-3} ; ORTEP (Johnson, 1965) for molecular drawings.

Table 2. Interatomic distances (\AA), bond angles ($^\circ$) and selected torsion angles ($^\circ$), with estimated standard deviations in parentheses

| | | | |
|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|
| C(1)-C(2) | 1.498 (5) | C(9)-O(12) | 1.488 (3) |
| C(1)-C(9) | 1.519 (4) | C(10)-C(16) | 1.537 (4) |
| C(2)-C(3) | 1.501 (5) | O(12)-C(13) | 1.355 (4) |
| C(2)-O(11) | 1.218 (4) | C(13)-O(14) | 1.189 (4) |
| C(3)-C(4) | 1.512 (5) | C(13)-C(15) | 1.494 (5) |
| C(4)-C(10) | 1.544 (4) | C(17)-C(18) | 1.520 (4) |
| C(5)-C(6) | 1.506 (6) | C(18)-N(19) | 1.460 (4) |
| C(5)-C(10) | 1.532 (5) | N(19)-C(20) | 1.451 (4) |
| C(6)-C(7) | 1.522 (6) | N(19)-C(24) | 1.463 (4) |
| C(7)-C(8) | 1.534 (5) | C(20)-C(21) | 1.501 (6) |
| C(8)-C(9) | 1.529 (4) | C(21)-O(22) | 1.420 (5) |
| C(8)-C(17) | 1.543 (4) | O(22)-C(23) | 1.400 (5) |
| C(9)-C(10) | 1.560 (4) | C(23)-C(24) | 1.496 (6) |
| C(2)-C(1)-C(9) | 112.2 (2) | C(4)-C(10)-C(9) | 108.1 (2) |
| C(1)-C(2)-C(3) | 116.3 (3) | C(4)-C(10)-C(16) | 108.7 (2) |
| C(1)-C(2)-O(11) | 122.2 (3) | C(5)-C(10)-C(9) | 109.4 (2) |
| C(3)-C(2)-O(11) | 121.4 (3) | C(5)-C(10)-C(16) | 108.8 (3) |
| C(2)-C(3)-C(4) | 113.1 (3) | C(9)-C(10)-C(16) | 112.5 (2) |
| C(3)-C(4)-C(10) | 113.8 (3) | C(9)-O(12)-C(13) | 123.8 (2) |
| C(6)-C(5)-C(10) | 113.0 (3) | O(12)-C(13)-O(14) | 125.2 (3) |
| C(5)-C(6)-C(7) | 111.3 (3) | O(12)-C(13)-C(15) | 109.5 (3) |
| C(6)-C(7)-C(8) | 113.2 (3) | O(14)-C(13)-C(15) | 125.2 (3) |
| C(7)-C(8)-C(9) | 109.9 (3) | C(8)-C(17)-C(18) | 109.8 (2) |
| C(7)-C(8)-C(17) | 111.0 (3) | C(17)-C(18)-N(19) | 114.4 (3) |
| C(9)-C(8)-C(17) | 116.1 (2) | C(18)-N(19)-C(20) | 110.8 (3) |
| C(1)-C(9)-C(8) | 114.0 (2) | C(18)-N(19)-C(24) | 110.1 (3) |
| C(1)-C(9)-C(10) | 111.2 (2) | C(20)-N(19)-C(24) | 108.5 (2) |
| C(1)-C(9)-O(12) | 107.5 (2) | N(19)-C(20)-C(21) | 110.8 (3) |
| C(8)-C(9)-C(10) | 114.8 (2) | C(20)-C(21)-O(22) | 111.7 (3) |
| C(8)-C(9)-O(12) | 107.2 (2) | C(21)-O(22)-C(23) | 109.7 (3) |
| C(10)-C(9)-O(12) | 101.1 (2) | O(22)-C(23)-C(24) | 112.3 (3) |
| C(4)-C(10)-C(5) | 109.4 (2) | N(19)-C(24)-C(23) | 110.6 (3) |
| Ring A | | | |
| C(9)-C(1)-C(2)-C(3) | -47.8 (3) | C(3)-C(4)-C(10)-C(9) | 55.2 (3) |
| C(1)-C(2)-C(3)-C(4) | 44.0 (3) | C(4)-C(10)-C(9)-C(1) | -58.1 (3) |
| C(2)-C(3)-C(4)-C(10) | -48.3 (3) | C(10)-C(9)-C(1)-C(2) | 54.9 (3) |
| Ring B | | | |
| C(10)-C(5)-C(6)-C(7) | 56.3 (3) | C(7)-C(8)-C(9)-C(10) | -51.1 (3) |
| C(5)-C(6)-C(7)-C(8) | -55.5 (3) | C(8)-C(9)-C(10)-C(5) | 51.7 (3) |
| C(6)-C(7)-C(8)-C(9) | 52.2 (3) | C(9)-C(10)-C(5)-C(6) | -53.4 (3) |
| Ring C | | | |
| C(24)-N(19)-C(20)-C(21) | -56.0 (3) | C(21)-O(22)-C(23)-C(24) | 57.6 (4) |
| N(19)-C(20)-C(21)-O(22) | 57.8 (3) | O(22)-C(23)-C(24)-N(19) | -58.0 (3) |
| C(20)-C(21)-O(22)-C(23) | -57.2 (3) | C(23)-C(24)-N(19)-C(20) | 55.8 (3) |

Discussion. Final atomic parameters for the non-hydrogen atoms are listed in Table 1; Table 2 contains bond lengths, bond angles and selected torsion angles.* Fig. 1 shows the molecular conformation and numbering scheme for (I).

The decalone system adopts a relatively undistorted chair-chair conformation. The mean torsion angle in ring *A* is 51.4°, identical to that in (II), a molecule like (I) but lacking the axial 8β substituent (Onan, Mayer & Spencer, 1984). This value is, however, smaller than that for unsubstituted cyclohexanone (54.2°) (Bucourt, 1974) or for the crowded cyclohexanone ring in 9-carbomethoxy-4,6,6-trimethyl-*trans*-decal-3-one† (54.7°) (Huber & Gabe, 1974).

Even though (I) possesses 1,3-diaxial substituents in ring *B* the mean torsion angle in this ring is 53.4°; that in (II) is 54.0°. While these means are very similar, the conformations of the rings differ. In (II), ring *B* is most flattened at the C(6) end (torsion angles *ca* 52°). This is caused by α-side interactions between O(12) and the axial hydrogens on C(5) and C(7) [O⋯H(5)_{ax} 2.49, O⋯H(7)_{ax} 2.68 Å] which result in a relatively large H(5)_{ax}⋯H(7)_{ax} separation, 2.81 Å. In (I) these α-side interactions [O⋯H(5)_{ax} 2.49, O⋯H(7)_{ax} 2.62, H(5)_{ax}⋯H(7)_{ax} 2.60 Å] are opposed by β-side interactions involving larger species, the C(10) methyl and the C(8) methylene. In (I) C(16)⋯C(17) is 3.22 Å while in (II) C(16)⋯H(8)_{ax} is only 2.69 Å. The C⋯C transannular separation in (I) is similar to those in (III) (3.22, 3.22 Å) and (IV) (3.24, 3.04 Å) (Bernardinelli & Giersch, 1985). This C⋯C interaction results in a flattening at C(9) (torsion angles *ca* 51°) and a puckering at C(6) (torsion angles *ca* 56°) in (I).

One way in which molecules can accommodate the strain of 1,3-diaxial substitution is to bend the substituents outwards, away from the ring. A measure of

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† 1,7,7-Trimethyl-2-oxo-*trans*-decahydro-8a-naphthyl acetate.

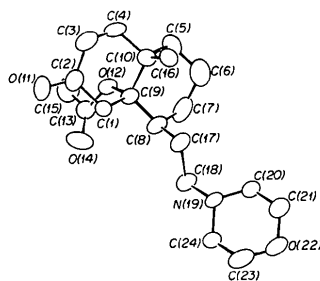


Fig. 1. View of the title compound with the atom-numbering scheme.

this is the angle between the ring-to-substituent bond and the plane containing the ring atom of attachment and its two flanking endocyclic atoms (V). A bridge-head methyl, therefore, will display two such angles. In (II) these angles are identical at 126.4°, a value only slightly larger than the 125.3° expected on the basis of ideal cyclohexane geometry (Johnson, Zito, Sarma & McKeever, 1978). In (I) these angles are 126.7 and 127.6°, with the latter involving ring *B*, the ring bearing two axial substituents. The C(8)–C(17) bond is bent outwards quite significantly, the angle being 134.1°. These values are similar to analogous angles in (III) and (IV). In both (III) and (IV) the C(10) methyl makes an angle of 126° from ring *A* and 130° from ring *B*. The methyl groups at C(4) and C(8) bend outwards 128 and 135° in (III) and 130 and 132° in (IV).

The small (3.2°) C(16)–C(10)⋯C(8)–C(17) virtual torsion angle in (I) shows that any distortion due to the 1,3-diaxial substitution is not alleviated by skeletal twisting of the molecule. This magnitude of twist corresponds to values of from 0.4 to 6.0° in (III) and (IV).

The 2'-(*N*-morpholino)ethyl substituent is extended and, in the solid state, points away from the decalone skeleton. The morpholine ring adopts the expected chair conformation and is linked equatorially. The distances in the morpholine are all unexceptional (means: C–N 1.458, C–C 1.499, C–O 1.410 Å) (*e.g.* Rømming, Nevstad & Songsted, 1982; Vilsmaier & Klein, 1982; Maia & Pérez, 1982).

The distances and angles throughout the molecule lie within normal ranges. The presence of the axial substituent at C(8) is reflected in a slightly lengthened C(9)–C(10) bond [1.560 (4) *vs* 1.546 Å in (II)], a diminished C(7)–C(8)–C(9) angle [109.9 (3) *vs* 111.6° in (II)] and an increased C(8)–C(9)–C(10) angle [114.8 (2) *vs* 111.7° in (II)].

The arrangement of molecules in the crystal as viewed in projection along the *b* axis is shown in Fig. 2. The smallest intermolecular separations [C(2)⋯C(2')]

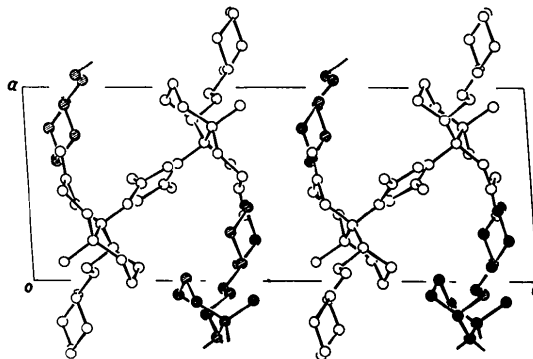


Fig. 2. Packing diagram for the title compound. Partial molecules are shaded for clarity.

3-39, C(2)...O(11') 3.46 Å] occur between carbonyl units related by the crystallographic center of symmetry. All others conform to normal van der Waals contacts.

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Structure of 3-Isopropyl-1*H*-2,1,3-benzothiadiazin-4(3*H*)-one 2,2-Dioxide (Bentazon)

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Abstract. C₁₀H₁₂N₂O₃S, *M_r* = 240.3, monoclinic, space group *P2₁/c*, *a* = 11.658 (2), *b* = 7.406 (1), *c* = 13.296 (3) Å, β = 110.55 (2)°, *V* = 1074.9 (3) Å³, *Z* = 4, *F*(000) = 504, *D_x* = 1.48 g cm⁻³, Mo *Kα*, λ = 0.71007 Å (graphite monochromator using Si standard), μ = 2.81 cm⁻¹ (no correction), *T* = 173 K, *R* = 0.045 for 1002 unique reflections with |*F_o*| > 3σ(*F*). The nitrogen and carbon atoms in the heterocyclic ring are nearly coplanar with the aromatic carbon ring. However, the sulfur is displaced from this plane by 0.70 Å.

Introduction. Bentazon is one of many compounds known to have herbicidal activity. It is believed to inhibit CO₂ fixation and to inhibit the Hill reaction (photosynthetic electron transport) by binding within the chloroplast (Mine & Matsunaki, 1975). Precise structural information about herbicides can aid in drawing inferences concerning the binding sites in the chloroplast and the mechanism for inhibition of CO₂ fixation.

Experimental. Crystal (obtained from Environmental Protection Agency) 0.10 mm on a side, 2815 intensities measured (fixed width ω-scan, each background being measured for one-half of the total scan time), at ~173 K on a modified Nicolet four-circle diffractometer (2θ ≤ 50°, diffracted-beam monochromated Mo *Kα* radiation); one standard reflection with no appreciable decay; no absorption correction; octants *hkl* and $\bar{h}\bar{k}l$, *h* -13→12, *k* -8→8, *l* 0→15; 1170 reflections with *F* > 3σ(*F*), averaging equivalent reflections gave 1002 unique reflections (*R_{int}* = 0.024); cell constants refined from 2θ values of 16 reflections in range 22–37°; systematic absences 0*k*0, *k* = 2*n* + 1 and *h*0*l*, *l* = 2*n* + 1.

Non-hydrogen-atom positions were identified using *MULTAN76* (Main, Lessinger, Woolfson, Germain & Declercq, 1976). Hydrogen atoms located in electron difference synthesis (Powell & Jacobson, 1980) or calculated assuming C–H = 1.05 Å and H–C–H = 109.54°. Full-matrix refinement (Lapp & Jacobson, 1979) on |*F*| to *R* = 0.045 and *wR* = 0.045, *w* = 1/σ(*F*)², non-hydrogens anisotropic; hydrogens isotropic; average Δ/σ = 0.12; max. and min. heights in

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