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### Structure of Dibenzo-54-crown-18\*

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**Abstract.**  $C_{44}H_{72}O_{18}$ ,  $M_r = 889.05$ , monoclinic,  $P2_1/c$ ,  $a = 27.441$  (2),  $b = 8.9808$  (4),  $c = 9.3493$  (4) Å,  $\beta = 90.296$  (4)°,  $V = 2304.0$  (4) Å<sup>3</sup>,  $Z = 2$ ,  $D_x = 1.28$  g cm<sup>-3</sup>,  $\lambda(\text{Cu } K\alpha) = 1.5418$  Å,  $\mu = 7.8$  cm<sup>-1</sup>,  $F(000) = 960$ ,  $T = 161$  K, final  $R = 4.1\%$  for 2228 observed reflections. The molecule has a centre of symmetry. It consists of two benzo moieties connected by two parallel, helical polyether bridges, with the torsion angle sequence  $ag^-g^+$  ( $ag^-a$ )<sub>7</sub>. Shortest non-bonded contacts are 3.5 Å for non-H atoms.

**Experimental.** Dibenzo-54-crown-18† was formed as a by-product during the synthesis of benzo-27-crown-9† (Talma, van Vossen, Sudhölter, van Eerden & Reinhoudt, 1986) and obtained as colorless crystals after chromatography, m.p. 351–353 K. 80 MHz <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, Me<sub>4</sub>Si as an internal standard):  $\delta$  6.90 (s, 8 H, ArH), 4.16 (m, 8 H, ArOCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.84 (m, 8 H, ArOCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.7–3.6 (m, 48 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>); 50 MHz <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, Me<sub>4</sub>Si):  $\delta$  148.96 (s, Ar-1,

Ar-2), 121.56 (d, Ar-4, Ar-5), 114.83 (d, Ar-3, Ar-6), 70.82, 70.54, 69.78, 68.92 (t, CH<sub>2</sub>). Mass spectrum:  $m/e$  888.472 ( $M^+$ ; calcd 888.472). Elemental analysis for  $C_{44}H_{72}O_{18}$ , found: C 59.24, H 8.31%, calculated: C 59.44, H 8.16%.  $D_m$  not determined.

Intensities measured at 161 K on a Philips PW 1100 diffractometer (Cu  $K\alpha$  radiation, graphite monochromator); crystal dimensions 0.10 × 0.40 × 0.40 mm. Lattice parameters determined by least squares from 25 reflections ( $6.5 < \theta < 20^\circ$ ). A total of 3430 unique reflections up to  $\theta = 60^\circ$  ( $-30 \leq h \leq 30$ ,  $0 \leq k \leq 10$ ,  $0 \leq l \leq 10$ ) measured in the  $\theta/2\theta$  scan mode [scan speed 0.05° s<sup>-1</sup>, scan width (1.1 + 0.2 tan $\theta$ )°]; 2228 reflections considered observed [ $F_o^2 > 3\sigma(F_o^2)$ ]. The intensity variation of three standard reflections, measured every hour, was less than 1%.

Structure solved with *MULTAN* (Germain, Main & Woolfson, 1971) and refined by full-matrix least squares. After convergence of the isotropic refinement an empirical absorption correction ( $\mu = 7.8$  cm<sup>-1</sup>; correction factors 0.67–1.70) using the *DIFABS* procedure (Walker & Stuart, 1983) was applied, upon which  $R_{\text{int}}$  ( $F$ ) of 153 pairs of symmetry-related reflections was reduced from 12.2 to 2.0%. Refinement was continued with anisotropic thermal parameters for the non-H atoms. H atoms located on

\* IUPAC name: 6,7,9,10,12,13,15,16,18,19,21,22,24,25,27,28,35,36,38,39,41,42,44,45,47,48,50,51,53,54,56,57-dotriacontahydrodibenzol**b,c**,1[1,4,7,10,13,16,19,22,25,28,31,34,37,40,43,46,49,52]-octadecaoxacyclotetrapentacontin.

† Trivial nomenclature following Pedersen (1967).

difference Fourier maps and included in the refinement. Weights for each reflection in the refinement (on  $F$ ) calculated from  $w = 4F_o^2/\sigma^2(F_o^2)$ ,  $\sigma^2(F_o^2) = \sigma^2(I) + (pF_o^2)^2$ ; the value of the instability factor  $p$  was determined as 0.04. The total number of parameters refined was 425: scale factor, isotropic extinction parameter (final value  $8 \times 10^{-7}$ ), positional parameters,

anisotropic thermal parameters for non-H atoms and isotropic thermal parameters for H atoms. Refinement converged at  $R = 4.1\%$ ,  $wR = 4.8\%$ ,  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.01$ . Largest peak on final difference Fourier map  $0.2 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ . All calculations were done using *SDP* (B. A. Frenz & Associates Inc., 1983). Atomic scattering factors from *International Tables for X-ray Crystallography* (1974). Atomic parameters of non-H atoms are in Table 1.\* Bond distances and angles for non-H atoms and torsion angles in the macrocycle are in Table 2. Atom numbering is shown in Fig. 1, unit-cell contents in Fig. 2.

Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic thermal parameters for non-H atoms

$$B_{\text{eq}} = \frac{1}{3}[a^2B(1,1) + b^2B(2,2) + c^2B(3,3) + ab(\cos\gamma)B(1,2) + ac(\cos\beta)B(1,3) + bc(\cos\alpha)B(2,3)].$$

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$B_{\text{eq}}(\text{\AA}^2)$
C(1)	-0.4268 (1)	-0.0183 (3)	0.0932 (3)	3.10 (6)
O(2)	-0.40735 (7)	0.0305 (2)	-0.0334 (2)	3.48 (4)
C(3)	-0.4157 (1)	0.1840 (3)	-0.0715 (3)	3.76 (6)
C(4)	-0.3726 (1)	0.2377 (3)	-0.1534 (3)	3.84 (7)
O(5)	-0.32989 (7)	0.2406 (2)	-0.0672 (2)	4.42 (5)
C(6)	-0.3008 (1)	0.1092 (3)	-0.0754 (3)	3.75 (6)
C(7)	-0.2728 (1)	0.0891 (3)	0.0592 (3)	3.54 (6)
O(8)	-0.23711 (7)	0.2024 (2)	0.0726 (2)	3.53 (4)
C(9)	-0.2062 (1)	0.1775 (3)	0.1927 (3)	3.54 (6)
C(10)	-0.1710 (1)	0.3036 (3)	0.2048 (3)	3.48 (6)
O(11)	-0.13817 (6)	0.3008 (2)	0.0884 (2)	3.68 (4)
C(12)	-0.1061 (1)	0.4245 (3)	0.0916 (3)	3.48 (6)
C(13)	-0.0756 (1)	0.4261 (3)	-0.0400 (3)	3.56 (6)
O(14)	-0.04155 (7)	0.3082 (2)	-0.0373 (2)	3.74 (4)
C(15)	-0.0121 (1)	0.3097 (3)	-0.1614 (3)	3.87 (6)
C(16)	0.0223 (1)	0.1829 (3)	-0.1611 (3)	4.14 (7)
O(17)	0.05964 (7)	0.2039 (2)	-0.0565 (2)	4.00 (4)
C(18)	0.0940 (1)	0.0861 (3)	-0.0583 (3)	4.25 (7)
C(19)	0.1316 (1)	0.1074 (3)	0.0538 (3)	4.53 (7)
O(20)	0.16461 (7)	0.2222 (2)	0.0171 (2)	3.82 (4)
C(21)	0.1994 (1)	0.2462 (4)	0.1292 (3)	4.34 (7)
C(22)	0.2358 (1)	0.3596 (3)	0.0853 (3)	4.34 (7)
O(23)	0.26871 (7)	0.2966 (2)	-0.0145 (2)	3.69 (4)
C(24)	0.3082 (1)	0.3935 (3)	-0.0419 (3)	3.88 (7)
C(25)	0.3418 (1)	0.3271 (3)	-0.1485 (3)	3.60 (6)
O(26)	0.36385 (6)	0.1963 (2)	-0.0881 (2)	3.27 (4)
C(27)	0.40305 (9)	0.1375 (3)	-0.1599 (3)	2.86 (5)
C(28)	0.4194 (1)	0.1867 (3)	-0.2916 (3)	3.79 (6)
C(29)	0.4595 (1)	0.1198 (3)	-0.3541 (3)	4.64 (7)
C(30)	0.4838 (1)	0.0078 (4)	-0.2883 (3)	4.59 (7)
C(31)	0.4675 (1)	-0.0436 (3)	-0.1573 (3)	3.84 (7)

\* Lists of structure factors, anisotropic thermal parameters for the non-H atoms, positional and isotropic thermal parameters for the H atoms and complete lists of bond lengths and angles have been deposited with the British Library Document Supply Centre as Supplementary Publication No. SUP 43572 (28 pp.). Copies may be obtained through The Executive Secretary, International Union of Crystallography, 5 Abbey Square, Chester CH1 2HU, England.

Table 2. Bond distances ( $\text{\AA}$ ) and angles ( $^\circ$ ) for non-H atoms and torsion angles ( $^\circ$ ) in the macrocycle

C(1)–O(2)	1.373 (3)	O(17)–C(18)	1.418 (3)
O(2)–C(3)	1.442 (3)	C(18)–C(19)	1.479 (4)
C(3)–C(4)	1.492 (4)	C(19)–O(20)	1.416 (4)
C(4)–O(5)	1.419 (4)	O(20)–C(21)	1.430 (3)
O(5)–C(6)	1.427 (3)	C(21)–C(22)	1.486 (4)
C(6)–C(7)	1.482 (4)	C(22)–O(23)	1.420 (3)
C(7)–O(8)	1.417 (3)	O(23)–C(24)	1.414 (3)
O(8)–C(9)	1.422 (3)	C(24)–C(25)	1.486 (4)
C(9)–C(10)	1.493 (4)	C(25)–O(26)	1.436 (3)
C(10)–O(11)	1.416 (3)	O(26)–C(27)	1.377 (3)
O(11)–C(12)	1.417 (3)	C(27)–C(28)	1.385 (4)
C(12)–C(13)	1.491 (4)	C(27)–C(1') <sup>(i)</sup>	1.398 (4)
C(13)–O(14)	1.413 (3)	C(28)–C(29)	1.385 (4)
O(14)–C(15)	1.418 (3)	C(29)–C(30)	1.353 (4)
C(15)–C(16)	1.478 (4)	C(30)–C(31)	1.385 (4)
C(16)–O(17)	1.426 (3)	C(31)–C(1')	1.388 (4)
O(2)–C(1)–C(27)	116.6 (2)	C(16)–O(17)–C(18)	111.6 (2)
O(2)–C(1)–C(31')	124.2 (2)	O(17)–C(18)–C(19)	110.9 (2)
C(27)–C(1)–C(31')	119.2 (2)	C(18)–C(19)–O(20)	111.5 (2)
C(1)–O(2)–C(3)	117.2 (2)	C(19)–O(20)–C(21)	111.0 (2)
O(2)–C(3)–C(4)	108.0 (2)	O(20)–C(21)–C(22)	110.4 (2)
C(3)–C(4)–O(5)	111.7 (2)	C(21)–C(22)–O(23)	109.8 (2)
C(4)–O(5)–C(6)	114.5 (2)	C(22)–O(23)–C(24)	111.4 (2)
O(5)–C(6)–C(7)	110.1 (2)	O(23)–C(24)–C(25)	110.6 (2)
C(6)–C(7)–O(8)	110.0 (2)	C(24)–C(25)–O(26)	109.0 (2)
C(7)–O(8)–C(9)	111.5 (2)	C(25)–O(26)–C(27)	116.8 (2)
O(8)–C(9)–C(10)	108.9 (2)	O(26)–C(27)–C(28)	124.7 (2)
C(9)–C(10)–O(11)	110.0 (2)	O(26)–C(27)–C(1')	116.1 (2)
C(10)–O(11)–C(12)	111.5 (2)	C(28)–C(27)–C(1')	119.2 (2)
O(11)–C(12)–C(13)	109.9 (2)	C(27)–C(28)–C(29)	119.9 (3)
C(12)–C(13)–O(14)	110.6 (2)	C(28)–C(29)–C(30)	121.4 (3)
C(13)–O(14)–C(15)	111.0 (2)	C(29)–C(30)–C(31)	119.3 (3)
O(14)–C(15)–C(16)	111.0 (2)	C(30)–C(31)–C(1')	120.8 (3)
C(15)–C(16)–O(17)	110.8 (2)		
C(1)–O(2)–C(3)–C(4)	147.8	C(15)–C(16)–O(17)–C(18)	-177.8
O(2)–C(3)–C(4)–O(5)	-65.5	C(16)–O(17)–C(18)–C(19)	-178.2
C(3)–C(4)–O(5)–C(6)	93.6	O(17)–C(18)–C(19)–O(20)	-73.7
C(4)–O(5)–C(6)–C(7)	-152.9	C(18)–C(19)–O(20)–C(21)	177.4
O(5)–C(6)–C(7)–O(8)	-68.1	C(19)–O(20)–C(21)–C(22)	176.2
C(6)–C(7)–O(8)–C(9)	-173.8	O(20)–C(21)–C(22)–O(23)	-74.5
C(7)–O(8)–C(9)–C(10)	-177.5	C(21)–C(22)–O(23)–C(24)	-170.9
O(8)–C(9)–C(10)–O(11)	-67.8	C(22)–O(23)–C(24)–C(25)	-179.0
C(9)–C(10)–O(11)–C(12)	176.3	O(23)–C(24)–C(25)–O(26)	-65.5
C(10)–O(11)–C(12)–C(13)	-174.3	C(24)–C(25)–O(26)–C(27)	-167.3
O(11)–C(12)–C(13)–O(14)	-70.3	C(25)–O(26)–C(27)–C(1')	174.6
C(12)–C(13)–O(14)–C(15)	-179.4	O(26)–C(27)–C(1')–O(2')	-2.4
C(13)–O(14)–C(15)–C(16)	-177.8	C(27)–C(1')–O(2')–C(3)	-153.4
O(14)–C(15)–C(16)–O(17)	-71.6		

Symmetry code: (i)  $-x, -y, -z$ .

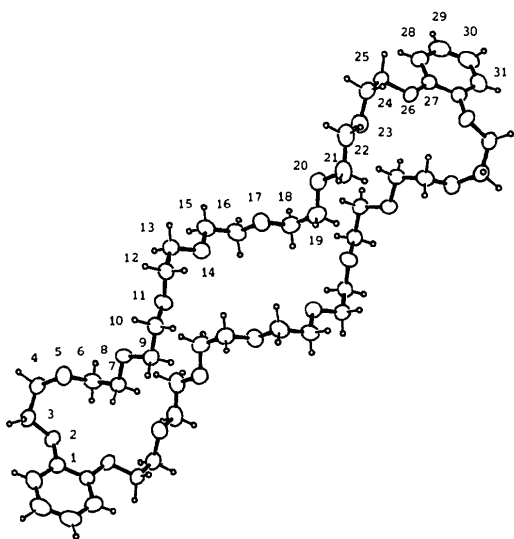


Fig. 1. View of the molecule with the atom numbering.

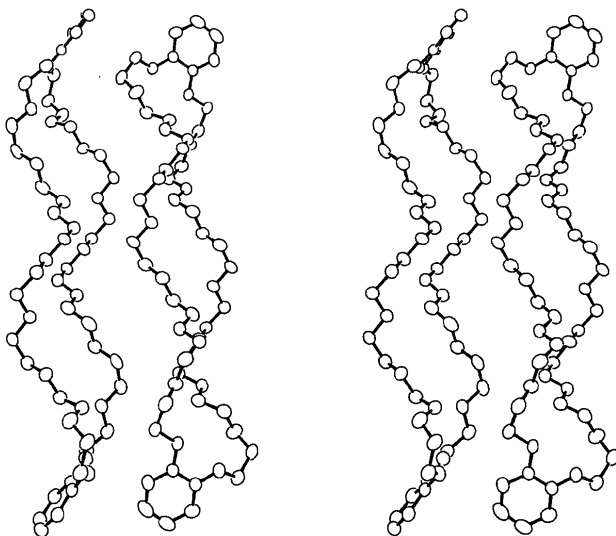


Fig. 2. Stereoscopic view of the unit-cell contents; H atoms omitted for clarity.

**Related literature.** Crystal structures of dibenzo-24-crown-8 (Hanson, Hughes & Truter, 1976) and dibenzo-30-crown-10 (Bush & Truter, 1972) and the complexation of guanidinium perchlorate with benzo

crown ethers (de Boer, Uiterwijk, Geevers, Harkema & Reinhoudt, 1983) have been reported.

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## Structure of Bruceine B Hydrate

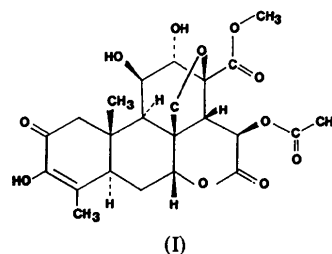
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**Experimental.** The title compound (I), purified and crystallized from medicinal plant, *Brucea javanica*, has



been found to be an active anti-malarial agent (Pavanand *et al.*, 1986). Crystal dimensions 0.15 × 0.10 × 0.25 mm, automated Nicolet R3m diffractometer with incident-beam monochromator. 25 centered reflections within  $15 \leq 2\theta \leq 23^\circ$  used for determining lattice parameters.  $(\sin\theta/\lambda)_{\text{max}} = 0.538$  Å<sup>-1</sup>, range of  $hkl$ :  $-9 \leq h \leq 4$ ,  $-13 \leq k \leq 0$ ,  $-12 \leq l \leq 12$ . Standards