

qu'elles concernent des moyennes de deux sites. Les molécules *A* et *B* ont tous leurs atomes [excepté O(5)] approximativement coplanaires. On observe en effet les angles de torsion suivants: C1—C6—C7—O4: 7,9 (8) (*A*) et 4,6 (9)° (*B*), C1—C2—N1—O1: -6,6 (8) (*A*) et -4,4 (9)° (*B*), N1—C2—C1—Se1: 6,7 (8) (*A*), 4,3 (9) (*B*, site 1) et -4,0 (9)° (*B*, site 2), C2—C1—Se1—O5: 82,4 (5) (*A*), -108,3 (5) (*B*, site 1) et 74,0 (6)° (*B*, site 2). L'ensemble des interactions intermoléculaires correspond à des liaisons du type van der Waals.

La Fig. 2 montre une vue de l'empilement suivant l'axe *b* de la maille.

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Structural Investigation of Highly Hindered Methanol Derivatives. 1. The Structure of α -Cyclohexylcyclohexanemethanol

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Abstract. $C_{13}H_{24}O$, $M_r = 196.3$, triclinic, $P\bar{1}$, $a = 12.494 (3)$, $b = 10.612 (3)$, $c = 10.290 (3) \text{ \AA}$, $\alpha = 99.9 (1)$, $\beta = 105.5 (1)$, $\gamma = 78.1 (1)^\circ$, $V = 1276.5 \text{ \AA}^3$, $Z = 4$, $D_x = 1.02 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$, $\lambda(\text{Cu } K\alpha) = 1.5418 \text{ \AA}$, $\mu = 4.4 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, $F(000) = 440$, $T = 293 \text{ K}$, final conventional $R = 0.048$ for 1611 independent observed reflections. The four independent cyclohexane rings adopt a chair conformation very close to the theoretical geometry. The hydrogen bonds involving the oxygen atom lead to the formation of tetrameric units.

Introduction. In studying the molecular dynamics of alcohols, the first problem of interpretation is connected with knowing to which species the results refer. In fact the structure and general physical behaviour of alcohols are essentially controlled by two factors: the presence of hydrogen bonds and steric effects. In the

solid phase 1-adamantanol forms long chains, triphenylcarbinol, triphenylethylnylcarbinol, diphenylethylnylmethylicarbinol and di-*tert*-butylcarbinol form dimers while tri-*tert*-butylcarbinol remains monomeric (Malarski, Szostak & Sorriso, 1984). Previous papers have reported results obtained from Raman laser, infrared and dielectric relaxation measurements (Meakins, 1956; Malarski, 1974; Kołodziej & Malarski, 1982; Bator, Malarski, Kołodziej & Sorriso, 1984; Bator, Jakubas & Malarski, 1987). Thus the structures of cyclohexyl-substituted carbinols are of particular interest because cyclohexyl substituents are quite large and appear not to be rigid. In the present paper we report the structure of α -cyclohexylcyclohexanemethanol (dicyclohexylcarbinol) obtained from X-ray analysis.

Experimental. Colourless prismatic crystals elongated on [010] obtained by slow crystallization from cyclo-

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and the arbitrary numbering scheme is shown in Fig. 1, which represents a perspective view of molecule 1. As far as we are aware, this work represents the first example of an X-ray study on compounds in which the hydrogens of the methanol skeleton are substituted by cyclohexyl groups. All the intramolecular C-C bond lengths are as expected from the hybridization of the atoms involved and close to the $C(sp^3)-C(sp^3)$ value. The conformational geometry of the two independent molecules is quite similar, as can be deduced from the torsion angles listed in Table 2.

Table 3. Puckering and asymmetry parameters of the cyclohexyl moieties

	Molecule 1		Molecule 2	
	Ring C(11)-C(16)	Ring C(21)-C(26)	Ring C(11)-C(16)	Ring C(21)-C(26)
Puckering parameters				
$q_1(\text{\AA})$	0.010 (6)	0.014 (6)	0.034 (6)	0.008 (7)
$q_2(\text{\AA})$	0.567 (7)	-0.564 (8)	-0.554 (6)	0.566 (7)
$Q_T(\text{\AA})$	0.567 (7)	0.564 (8)	0.555 (6)	0.566 (7)
$\theta_i(^{\circ})$	1.1 (7)	178.6 (7)	176.5 (6)	0.8 (7)
Asymmetry parameters				
$\Delta C_s(C1)$	0.007 (4)	0.009 (4)	0.023 (3)	0.003 (4)
$\Delta C_s(C2)$	0.004 (3)	0.007 (4)	0.014 (3)	0.006 (4)
$\Delta C_s(C3)$	0.006 (3)	0.007 (4)	0.010 (3)	0.004 (3)
$\Delta C_i(C1)$	0.249 (2)	0.248 (2)	0.244 (2)	0.248 (2)
$\Delta C_i(C2)$	0.248 (2)	0.246 (2)	0.243 (2)	0.248 (2)
$\Delta C_i(C3)$	0.248 (2)	0.246 (2)	0.243 (2)	0.248 (2)
$\Delta C_s(C1-C2)$	0.314 (3)	0.312 (3)	0.308 (2)	0.314 (3)
$\Delta C_s(C1-C6)$	0.314 (3)	0.312 (3)	0.308 (2)	0.314 (3)
$\Delta C_s(C2-C3)$	0.314 (3)	0.312 (3)	0.308 (2)	0.314 (3)
$\Delta C_s(C1-C2)$	0.005 (3)	0.008 (3)	0.017 (2)	0.005 (3)
$\Delta C_s(C1-C6)$	0.006 (3)	0.008 (3)	0.016 (2)	0.003 (3)
$\Delta C_s(C2-C3)$	0.002 (3)	0.001 (3)	0.002 (2)	0.004 (3)

Puckering and asymmetry parameters were calculated by use of the general program system written by Nardelli (1983).

The four cyclohexane fragments do not differ significantly in their internal geometry, as appears from their bond distances and angles. The conformational analysis reported in Table 3 indicates that the cyclohexane rings adopt a conformation very close to the chair conformation: indeed, the total puckering amplitudes Q_T [0.555 (6)–0.567 (6) Å] are similar for all the rings and lie only slightly below the Q_T value for a cyclohexane chair [0.63 Å for $R(C-C) = 1.51 \text{ \AA}$] (Cremer & Pople, 1975). The magnitude of the distortion, given by $\tan\theta_i$, is very small. A quantitative evaluation of how any ring deviates from ideal symmetry can be derived from the asymmetry parameters proposed by Duax, Weeks & Rohrer (1976) and reported in Table 3; they show that a high degree of symmetry is due to the presence of three mirror planes through the vertex of the ring and of three twofold rotational axes intersecting the C-C bonds.

The molecular packing is determined by hydrogen bonds of the type O—H···O; the oxygen atom O(^{1a}) is involved in two hydrogen bonds, with the oxygen of the second independent molecule O(^{1b}) [O(^{1a})···O(^{1b}) 2.76 (1), O(^{1a})···H(O^{1b}) 2.01 (5) Å; O(^{1a})···H(O^{1b})—O(^{1b}) 169.9 (1.5)^o] and with its centrosymmetric O(^{1b}) [O(^{1a})···O(^{1b}) 2.77 (1), H(O^{1a})···O(^{1b}) 2.01 (4) Å; O(^{1a})···H(O^{1a})···O(^{1b}) 158.4 (1.5)^o; (i) = $-x + 1, -y, -z + 1$], determining the formation of a tetrameric unit, as shown in Fig. 2. Other contacts are consistent with van der Waals interactions.

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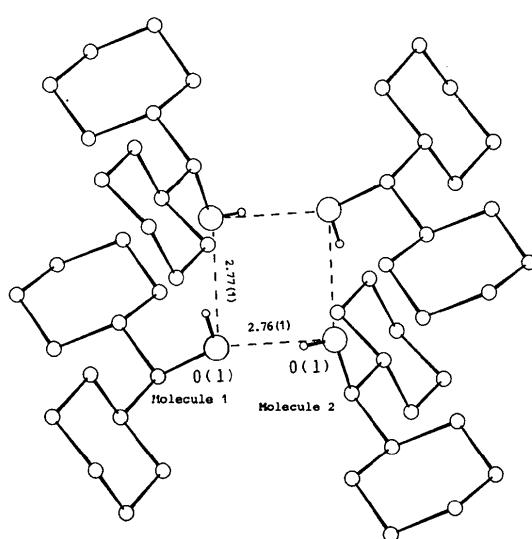


Fig. 2. Perspective view of the tetrameric unit.