# Perchloroindenone:* a Study of the Overcrowding 

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#### Abstract

C}_{9} \mathrm{Cl}_{6} \mathrm{O}, M_{r}=336 \cdot 82\), monoclinic, $P 2_{1} / n$, $a=17.508$ (3),$\quad b=5.715$ (3), $\quad c=11.294$ (2) $\AA$, $\beta=93.36(4)^{\circ}, \quad V=1128.1(7) \AA^{3}, \quad Z=4, \quad D_{x}=$ $1.98 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~cm}^{-3}, \bar{\lambda}(\mathrm{Cu} K \alpha)=1.5418 \AA, \mu=140.50 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$, $F(000)=656$, room temperature, $R=0.0615$ for 1713 observed unique reflections. The molecular structure is strongly influenced by the overcrowding; there are significant out-of-plane displacements especially in the five-membered ring. The mean $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{Cl}$ length in the aromatic ring is $1 \cdot 714(5) \AA$ (uncorrected for thermal motion) and intramolecular $\mathrm{Cl} \cdots \mathrm{Cl}$ and $\mathrm{O} \cdots \mathrm{Cl}$ contacts are in the range 3.075 (3)3.318 (2) Å.


Introduction. The structure determination of the title compound has been carried out in order to investigate overcrowding of the vicinal bulky substituents on the aromatic ring and also out-of-plane distortion of the molecule. A number of other molecules containing polyhalogenated aromatic rings have been studied in an attempt to determine whether or not molecular overcrowding can distort molecules that should otherwise be planar (e.g. Rudman, 1971; Byrn, Curtin \& Paul, 1972; Herbstein, 1979; Fuchs, Lidor, Kruger \& Lin, 1980; Marsh \& Williams, 1981).

Experimental. Crystal grown by slow evaporation of methylene dichloride, colorless prismatic crystal of dimensions $0.42 \times 0.71 \times 0.96 \mathrm{~mm}$, Siemens AED single-crystal diffractometer, Ni-filtered $\mathrm{CuK} \mathrm{\alpha}$ radiation, cell parameters from least-squares fit of 27 reflections with $2 \theta$ values ranging from 30 to $50^{\circ}$ accurately measured on the diffractometer, one check reflection measured every 50 counts without significant variation, profile analysis with Lehmann \& Larsen (1974) procedure modified by Belletti, Ugozzoli, Cantoni \& Pasquinelli (1979), $3<\theta<70^{\circ}$, Lp correction, absorption correction with Walker \& Stuart (1983) procedure using $A B S O R B$ (Ugozzoli,

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1986), maximum and minimum values of absorption coefficients in the polar angles $\varphi$ and $\mu$ are 1.22 and 0.83 respectively, $-21<h<21,0<k<6,0<l<13$, 2467 reflections collected, 1821 observed at $2 \sigma(I)$ level, 1743 independent $\left(R_{\mathrm{int}}\right)=0.019$, direct methods with MULTAN80 (Main, Fiske, Hull, Lessinger, Germain, Declercq \& Woolfson, 1980), full-matrix least-squares refinement with SHELX76 (Sheldrick, 1976), all atoms anisotropic, ten reflections omitted in the last cycles, 145 parameters refined. Final $R=$ 0.062 and $w R=0.067$ with $w=2.8562 /\left[\sigma^{2}(F)+\right.$ $\left.0.00134 F^{2}\right], \sum w(\Delta F)^{2}$ minimized, $(\Delta / \sigma)_{\text {max }}=0.07$ for all atoms, $\Delta \rho_{\max }=0.61 \mathrm{e} \AA^{-3}$ (at $1.07 \AA$ from Cll), scattering factors of SHELX76, anomalousdispersion factors taken from International Tables for $X$-ray Crystallography (1974), all calculations on an IBM AT personal computer using the CRYSRULER package (Rizzoli, Sangermano, Calestani \& Andreetti, 1987).

Discussion. The final atomic coordinates are listed in Table $1 . \dagger$ Fig. 1 shows the molecule with numbering of atoms and their deviations from the best molecular plane. Bond distances, angles and selected torsion angles are listed in Table 2.

In the absence of steric distortions all the atoms should lie on the same plane. Our data (Fig. 1) show that strong intramolecular overcrowding causes a significant deviation from planarity. The displacements of the substituted atoms are much greater than in tetrachlorophthalic anhydride: 0.08 (Rudman, 1971) and $0.028 \AA$ (Wilkerson, Chodak \& Strouse, 1975); in pentachlorobenzene: $0.04 \AA$ (Marsh \& Williams, 1981); and also in two derivatives of indenone: 0.08 (Fuchs et al., 1980) and $0.03 \AA$ (Watson \& Nagl, 1987).

[^1]Table 1. Atomic fractional coordinates $\left(\times 10^{4}\right)$ and $U_{e q}\left(\times 10^{4} \AA^{2}\right)$

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U_{\mathrm{eq}}=\frac{1}{3} \sum_{i} \sum_{j} U_{i j} a_{i}^{*} a_{j}^{*} \mathbf{a}_{i}, \mathbf{a}_{j} .
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|  | $x$ | $y$ | $z$ | $U_{\text {eq }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cl | 448 (1) | 6962 (3) | -2591 (1) | 513 (5) |
| C12 | 316 (1) | 2353 (3) | -822 (1) | 491 (5) |
| Cl3 | 1525 (1) | -141 (2) | 1075 (1) | 406 (4) |
| C14 | 3221 (1) | -74 (2) | 1955 (1) | 401 (4) |
| Cl 5 | 4328 (1) | 3605 (3) | 1011 (1) | 455 (5) |
| Cl6 | 3721 (1) | 7427 (2) | -789 (1) | 392 (4) |
| OI | 2132 (2) | 8669 (6) | - 1990 (3) | 413 (13) |
| Cl | 1926 (3) | 6900 (9) | - 1524 (4) | 303 (15) |
| C2 | 1145 (3) | 5860 (9) | - 1644 (4) | 290 (15) |
| C3 | 1106 (3) | 4021 (9) | -936 (4) | 264 (15) |
| C4 | 1856 (3) | 3600 (8) | -292 (3) | 208 (12) |
| C5 | 2119 (3) | 1945 (8) | 520 (4) | 242 (14) |
| C6 | 2888 (3) | 1979 (8) | 936 (4) | 238 (14) |
| C7 | 3389 (3) | 3639 (8) | 530 (4) | 265 (14) |
| C8 | 3113 (3) | 5352 (8) | -283 (4) | 250 (14) |
| C9 | 2362 (3) | 5315 (8) | -666 (4) | 236 (13) |

Table 2. Bond distances $(\AA)$, valence and selected torsion angles ( ${ }^{\circ}$ )
$\mathrm{Cl} 1-\mathrm{C} 2$
$\mathrm{Cl} 2-\mathrm{C} 3$
$\mathrm{Cl} 3-\mathrm{C} 5$
$\mathrm{Cl} 4-\mathrm{C} 6$
$\mathrm{Cl} 5-\mathrm{C} 7$
$\mathrm{Cl} 6-\mathrm{C} 8$
$\mathrm{Ol}-\mathrm{C} 1$
$\mathrm{Ol}-\mathrm{C} 2$
$\mathrm{Ol}-\mathrm{C} 9$
$1.694(5)$
$1.691(6)$
$1.723(5)$
$1.719(5)$
$1.700(5)$
$1.713(5)$
$1.204(6)$
$1.490(7)$
$1.500(7)$

| $\mathrm{Ol}-\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{C} 9$ | 129.3 (4) | C13-C5-C6 | 118.5 (3) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{Ol}-\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{C} 2$ | $126 \cdot 3$ (4) | Cl 4 --66-C5 | 119.7 (3) |
| $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{C} 9$ | 104.3 (4) | C5-C6-C7 | 120.9 (4) |
| $\mathrm{Cll}-\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{Cl}$ | $122 \cdot 2$ (3) | C14--6--C7 | 119.4 (3) |
| $\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{C} 3$ | 110.0 (4) | $\mathrm{C} 15-\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{C} 6$ | 120.4 (3) |
| $\mathrm{Cl1}-\mathrm{C}_{2}-\mathrm{C} 3$ | 127.9 (4) | C6-C7-C8 | 119.4 (4) |
| $\mathrm{Cl2}^{-\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{C} 2}$ | 124.4 (4) | $\mathrm{C} 15-\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{C} 8$ | $120 \cdot 3$ (3) |
| $\mathrm{C}_{2}-\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{C} 4$ | 110.4 (4) | $\mathrm{Cl} 6-\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{C} 7$ | 120.1 (4) |
| $\mathrm{Cl2}_{2}-\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{C} 4$ | 125.2 (3) | C7-C8-C9 | 119.0 (4) |
| C3-C4-C9 | $107 \cdot 3$ (3) | $\mathrm{C16-C8-C9}$ | 120.9 (3) |
| C3-C4-C5 | $133 \cdot 6$ (4) | C4-C9-C8 | 122.1 (4) |
| C5-C4-C9 | 119.2 (4) | $\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{C} 9-\mathrm{C} 8$ | 129.9 (4) |
| $\mathrm{Cl3}^{-\mathrm{C} 5-\mathrm{C} 4}$ | 122.1 (4) | $\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{C} 9-\mathrm{C} 4$ | 108.0 (4) |
| C4-C5-C6 | 119.4 (4) |  |  |
| $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{Cl}$ |  | $\mathrm{Cl} 4-\mathrm{C6}-\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{Cl}$ | (1) |
| $\mathrm{Clll}^{\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{Cl}_{2}-\mathrm{C}_{3}}$ | -0.7 | C15-C7-C8-Cl6 | ${ }^{-0.3} \mathbf{3}$ (6) |
| $\mathrm{Cl} 3-\mathrm{C5}-\mathrm{C} 6-\mathrm{Cl} 4$ | ${ }^{1.3 / 6)}$ |  |  |

The angles of the direction of bonds involving the O and Cl atoms with the mean ring planes range between 0.5 and $4.6^{\circ}$ over the molecule. There is also a bending of the molecule along the $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{C} 9$ bond with the dihedral angle between the best planes of the two rings equal to $2 \cdot 4(2)^{\circ}$.

The mean $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{Cl}$ length (where the C atoms belong to the aromatic ring) is 1.714 (5) $\AA$ and the corresponding mean value corrected for thermal vibration of 1.728 (5) $\AA$ can be compared well with the values of Herbstein (1979): 1.717 (8) and 1.721 (8) $\AA$ for perchlorinated aromatic hydrocarbons or with uncorrected values of 1.712 (2) $\AA$ in tetrachlorophthalic anhydride at 120 K (Wilkerson et al., 1975) and $1.716 \AA$ in the tetrachlorophthalate
anion (Galloy, Putzeys, Germain \& Van Meerssche, 1976). The other two $\mathrm{C}\left(s p^{2}\right)-\mathrm{Cl}$ distances are 1.691 (6) and 1.694 (5) $\AA$. The localized double bond $\mathrm{C} 2=\mathrm{C} 3$ is 1.323 (7) $\AA$.
Herbstein (1979) reported an intramolecular nonbonded average $\mathrm{Cl} \cdots \mathrm{Cl}$ distance of $3.052 \AA$ for Cl atoms attached to the adjacent C atoms on an aromatic ring and Rudman (1971) one of $3.14 \AA$. Our average value of the same distance is $3.096 \AA$.

The molecules pack together in interpenetrating and parallel rows with each molecular plane lying along the row axis. One row is formed by molecules related to each other by a center of symmetry, while parallel rows in adjacent unit cells are related by a translation vector. This is shown in the packing diagram found in Fig. 2.

The intermolecular distances are in the normally expected range for nonbonded contacts; the $\mathrm{Cl} 2 \cdots \mathrm{Cl} 3$ distance is $3 \cdot 458(3)$ and the $\mathrm{O} 1 \cdots \mathrm{C} 9$ distance is 2.984 (6) $\AA$.

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Fig. 1. ORTEP (Johnson, 1965) drawing of the molecule with numbering of atoms and deviations from the best molecular plane (all values are $\times 10^{3} \AA$ ). The thermal ellipsoids are at $50 \%$ probability.


Fig. 2. Packing of the molecules.

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# Structure of (2S,4R)-cis-4-Methyl-2-phthalimido- $\gamma$-butyrolactone 

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#### Abstract

C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{11} \mathrm{NO}_{4}, M_{r}=245 \cdot 23\), orthorhombic, $P 2_{1} 2_{1} 2_{1}, \quad a=23.251$ (8),$\quad b=8.453$ (5),$\quad c=$ $5 \cdot 813$ (4) $\AA, \quad V=1143(1) \AA^{3}, \quad Z=4, \quad D_{x}=$ $1.426 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~cm}^{-3}, \mathrm{Cu} K \alpha, \lambda=1.5418 \AA, \mu=8.541 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$, $F(000)=512$, room temperature, $R=0.050$ for 2012 unique observed reflections [ $I>3 \sigma(n)$ ]. The lactone ring has an envelope conformation with C3 deviating by 0.505 (2) $\AA$ from the least-squares plane formed by the remaining four ring atoms. The absolute configuration of two chiral $\mathbf{C}$ atoms was deduced as ( $2 S, 4 R$ ). The phthalimido and methyl groups are in pseudo-equatorial positions, cis to each other.

Introduction. The structure of ( $2 S, 4 R$ )-cis-4-methyl-2-phthalimido- $\gamma$-butyrolactone has been established as part of our investigation of the stereochemistry of different 2,4-disubstituted $\gamma$-butyrolactones (Matijašić, Bocelli, Ugozzoli \& Sgarabotto, 1988).


Experimental. Colorless prismatic crystal recrystallized from benzene/ether solution, $0.24 \times 0.45 \times$
0.18 mm approximately. Data measured on a Siemens AED diffractometer, Ni-filtered $\mathrm{Cu} K \alpha$ radiation, cell parameters from least-squares fit of 30 reflections accurately measured on the diffractometer in the range $38<\theta<43^{\circ}$, one check reflection measured every 50 counts without significant variation, profile analysis with Lehmann \& Larsen (1974) procedure modified by Belletti, Ugozzoli, Cantoni \& Pasquinelli (1979), $3<\theta<70^{\circ}, \quad \mathrm{Lp}$ correction, absorption correction with Walker \& Stuart (1983) procedure using $A B S O R B$ (Ugozzoli, 1986), maximum and minimum values of the absorption coefficients in the polar angles $\varphi$ and $\mu$ are $1 \cdot 19$ and 0.84 respectively, $-28<h<28, \quad 0<k<10, \quad 0<l<7$, 2571 reflections collected, 2332 observed at $3 \sigma(I)$ level, 2012 unique reflections ( $R_{\mathrm{int}}=0.023$ ), direct methods with MULTAN80 (Main, Fiske, Hull, Lessinger, Germain, Declercq \& Woolfson, 1980), fullmatrix least-squares refinement with anisotropic thermal parameters for non-H atoms, H atoms located from difference Fourier map and refined © 1989 International Union of Crystallography


[^0]:    * 2,3,4,5,6,7-Hexachloro-1-indenone.

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