

Fig. 2. Stereoview of the contents of the unit cell showing O…O close contacts.

molecules of the nitronorbornanol thus associate as hydrogen-bonded cyclic tetramers in which the hydroxy, but not the nitro, groups are involved. Fig. 2 shows unit-cell contents and the putative hydrogen-bonded cyclic tetramers.

Related literature. Other nitronorbornanols investigated in these laboratories show hydrogen bonding between hydroxy and nitro groups (Boeyens, Denner & Michael, 1984a,b). We thank the Foundation for Research Development and the University of the Witwatersrand for funding for this project, and Dr D. C. Levendis for technical assistance.

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2,4,4,6-Tetraphenyl-3(4H)-pyridinone

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Abstract. $C_{29}H_{21}NO$, $M_r = 399\cdot49$, monoclinic, $P2_1/a$, a = 21.713 (5), b = 13.524 (4), c = 7.259 (2) Å, $\beta = 95\cdot20$ (2)°, $V = 2123\cdot0$ (11) Å³, Z = 4, $D_x =$ 1.250 g cm⁻³, λ (Mo $K\alpha$) = 0.71073 Å, $\mu =$ 0.81 cm⁻¹, F(000) = 840, T = 294 K, R = 0.055 for 2248 observed reflections. In the pyridine ring the C(5)=C(6)-N(1)=C(2) moiety is almost planar and forms a dihedral angle of $35\cdot0$ (2)° with the carbonyl plane of C(2), C(3), C(4) and O(7). The 2and 6-phenyl groups are slightly rotated from the C(5)=C(6)-N(1)=C(2) plane: the dihedral angles are $10\cdot3$ (1) and $23\cdot2$ (2)° for the 2- and 6-positions, respectively.

Experimental. The title compound was synthesized by the method given by Maeda, Nakamura & Sakai (1983). Recrystallization from acetone-ethanol gave orange plate-like crystals of dimensions $0.5 \times 0.2 \times$ 0.1 mm; Rigaku AFC-4 diffractometer; cell parameters were determined from 20 independent 2 θ values ($25 < 2\theta < 30^{\circ}$); intensity measurements were performed with graphite-monochromated Mo $K\alpha$ radiation up to $2\theta = 50.0^{\circ}$ $(h - 29 \rightarrow 29, k \rightarrow 18, l \rightarrow 10^{\circ})$ 10), $\omega - 2\theta$ scan technique, scan speed $4^{\circ} \min^{-1} \ln \theta$, scan width $(1.0 + 0.35 \tan \theta)^{\circ}$; background 5 s before and after each scan: three standard reflections (961, 372, 234) were monitored every 50 reflections and showed no significant variation in intensities. 3743 unique reflections were measured, 2252 with $|F_o| >$ $3\sigma(|F_{c}|)$ were used for structure determination; corrections for Lorentz and polarization effects, absorption ignored; direct methods (MULTAN78; Main, Hull, Lessinger, Germain, Declercq & Woolfson, 1978) and full-matrix least-squares refinement (SHELX76; Sheldrick, 1976) with anisotropic thermal parameters for non-H atoms and isotropic ones for H atoms, minimizing the function $\sum w(|F_c|$ $w = [\sigma^2(|F_o|) + 0.0040|F_o|^2]^{-1};$ $|F_{c}|)^{2}$, some Η atoms located on difference Fourier map, other H-atom positions determined geometrically and included in subsequent refinements; four intense reflections (110, 200, 011, 617) seemed to suffer from extinction and were not used in refinements; final R= 0.055 and wR = 0.065 for 2248 observed reflec-

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Table 1. Final atomic coordinates (× 10⁴) with e.s.d.'s in parentheses and equivalent isotropic temperature factors, B_{eq} (Å²), for non-hydrogen atoms

$\boldsymbol{B}_{eq} = (4/3) \sum_i \sum_j \boldsymbol{\beta}_{ij} \boldsymbol{a}_i \cdot \boldsymbol{a}_j.$							
	x	у	Ζ	B_{eq}			
N(1)	9216 (1)	2897 (2)	2946 (4)	3.6			
C(2)	9385 (2)	2190 (2)	1919 (5)	3.1			
C(3)	9216 (2)	1136 (2)	2326 (5)	3.2			
C(4)	8587 (1)	1013 (2)	3101 (4)	2.9			
C(5)	8518 (2)	1851 (2)	4446 (5)	3.2			
C(6)	8833 (2)	2697 (2)	4381 (5)	3.3			
O(7)	9561 (1)	455 (2)	2110 (4)	4.6			
C(8)	9769 (2)	2420 (2)	390 (5)	3-1			
C(9)	9997 (2)	3372 (3)	215 (6)	4.6			
C(10)	10320 (2)	3615 (3)	- 1262 (7)	5.9			
C(11)	10432 (2)	2921 (3)	- 2569 (7)	5.6			
C(12)	10218 (2)	1979 (3)	- 2414 (6)	5.2			
C(13)	9885 (2)	1726 (3)	- 948 (5)	4.3			
C(14)	8124 (1)	1107 (2)	1369 (4)	3.1			
C(15)	7702 (2)	1883 (3)	1141 (5)	3.9			
C(16)	7293 (2)	1943 (3)	- 434 (6)	4.7			
C(17)	7302 (2)	1237 (4)	- 1790 (6)	5-1			
C(18)	7720 (2)	476 (3)	- 1605 (6)	4.9			
C(19)	8133 (2)	413 (3)	- 47 (5)	4.0			
C(20)	8544 (1)	32 (2)	4133 (4)	2.9			
C(21)	8063 (2)	- 625 (3)	3804 (5)	3.6			
C(22)	8037 (2)	- 1490 (3)	4828 (6)	4.3			
C(23)	8491 (2)	-1703 (3)	6211 (6)	4.6			
C(24)	8975 (2)	- 1044 (3)	6601 (5)	4.3			
C(25)	9000 (2)	- 188 (3)	5562 (5)	3.8			
C(26)	8773 (2)	3523 (2)	5704 (5)	3.6			
C(27)	8571 (2)	3358 (3)	7437 (5)	4.0			
C(28)	8492 (2)	4138 (3)	8623 (6)	4.9			
C(29)	8615 (2)	5082 (3)	8092 (7)	5.7			
C(30)	8820 (3)	5248 (3)	6413 (8)	7.1			
C(31)	8904 (3)	4484 (3)	5202 (7)	5.9			

tions and 364 refined parameters; $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.05$; final difference map showed $-0.18 < \Delta \rho < 0.17$ e Å⁻³; atomic scattering factors from *International Tables for X-ray Crystallography* (1974, Vol. IV); calculations carried out on an IBM 4381-R24 computer at Ochanomizu University. Final atomic coordinates are listed in Table 1,* and selected bond distances and angles in Table 2. The molecule with the atom numbering is shown in Fig. 1, and the crystal structure in Fig. 2.

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 Table 2. Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (°)

 with e.s.d.'s in parentheses

N(1)—C(2)	1.287 (4)	C(4)—C(5) 1	·512 (5)
N(1) - C(6)	1.417 (4)	C(4) - C(14) = 1	·543 (5)
C(2) - C(3)	1.508 (5)	C(4) - C(20) 1	·531 (4)
C(2) - C(8)	1.480 (5)	C(5) - C(6) 1	·337 (5)
C(3) - C(4)	1.532 (5)	C(6) - C(26) = 1	·486 (5)
C(3)O(7)	1.207 (4)	- (-) - ()	
C(2) - N(1) - C(6)	120.1 (3)	C(3) - C(4) - C(20)	111.7 (3)
N(1) - C(2) - C(3)	$120 \cdot 1$ (3)	C(5) - C(4) - C(14)	111-6 (3)
N(1) - C(2) - C(8)	119.2 (3)	C(5) - C(4) - C(20)	108.6 (3)
C(3) - C(2) - C(8)	120.6 (3)	C(14) - C(4) - C(20)	113.9 (3)
C(2) - C(3) - C(4)	114.6 (3)	C(4) - C(5) - C(6)	122.5 (3)
C(2) - C(3) - O(7)	122.0 (3)	N(1) - C(6) - C(5)	121.7 (3)
C(4) - C(3) - O(7)	123.4 (3)	N(1) - C(6) - C(26)	115.0 (3)
C(3) - C(4) - C(5)	107.5 (3)	C(5)-C(6)-C(26)	123.1 (3)
C(3) - C(4) - C(14)	103.2 (3)		



Fig. 1. ORTEP plot (Johnson, 1965) of the title compound with the atom numbering. The thermal ellipsoids enclose 30% probability.



Fig. 2. Crystal structure viewed along the c axis.

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