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2,3,5,6-Tetrakis(trifluoromethyl)-terephthaloyl Difluoride

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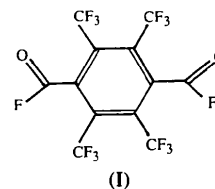
Abstract

2,3,5,6-Tetrakis(trifluoromethyl)terephthaloyl difluoride, $C_{12}F_{14}O_2$, crystallizes in space group $Fddd$, which requires the molecule to have 222 symmetry. This is achieved by disordering the F, O and C atoms of the acyl halide group. The bulky CF_3 groups cause a slight distortion from planarity of the six-membered ring and

they are forced out of coplanarity with the ring. The plane of the $-(C=O)-F$ group is rotated 62° from the plane of the phenyl ring.

Comment

The title compound, (I), was obtained while carrying out the exploratory oxidative coupling of $cis-F_2C=CFCF_3=C(CF_3)Cu$. The title compound exhibits two peaks in the ^{19}F NMR spectrum ($CFCl_3$, acetone- d_6) at +55.4 p.p.m. (s) [$-(C=O)-F$] and -54.0 p.p.m. (s) (CF_3) in a ratio of 1:6. The acyl halide group appears at 1858 cm^{-1} in the IR spectrum and HRMS analysis shows a molecular ion at 441.9687 corresponding to $C_{12}F_{14}O_2$.



The bond distances and angles in the title molecule have values close to those expected for this type of compound. The observed deviations from idealized bond

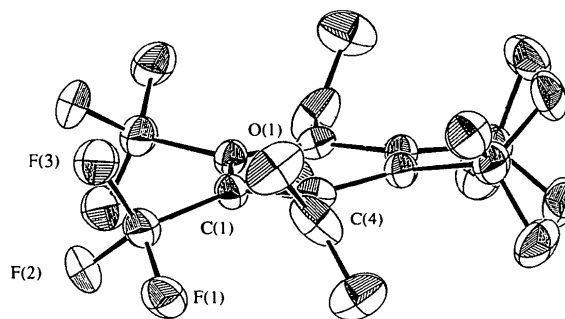
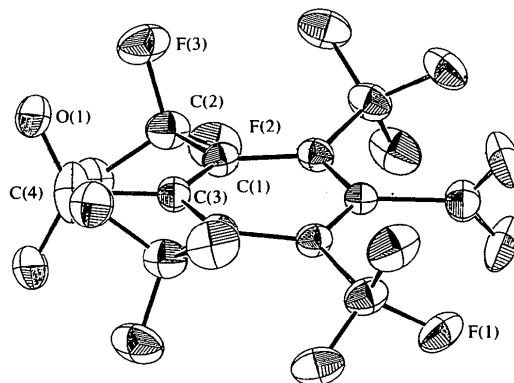


Fig. 1. Two views of the title compound. The upper view shows the $-C-C(=O)-F$ plane lying horizontal, while the lower view is almost end-on along the $-C-C(=O)-F$ plane showing the orientation of these groups relative to the plane of the phenyl ring. Displacement ellipsoids are plotted at the 25% probability level.

distance and angle values appear to follow logically from the crowding of the bulky CF₃ groups, *i.e.* the slight elongation of the C(1)—C(1ⁱ) bond [1.406 (6) Å], the enlarged C(2)—C(1)—C(1ⁱ) angle [121.7 (2)°; symmetry code: (i) $x, \frac{3}{4} - y, \frac{3}{4} - z$], and the buckling of the ring and the associated CF₃ groups [C(1) ±0.06 and C(2) ±0.27 Å from the plane of the ring]. The acyl halide group is rotated so that the dihedral angle between the normals of the phenyl ring plane and the —C(=O)—F plane is 61.8 (8)°. The range of C—F distances in the CF₃ group appears to be typical. The longest C—F distances are to those F atoms which lie closest to the plane of the ring and the shortest distance is associated with the 'exo' F atom. This correlation of C—F distance with orientation of the CF₃ group relative to the ring appears to be accidental, as it does not appear in tetrakis(trifluoromethyl)cyclopentadienones (Burk, Calabrese, Davidson, Harlow & Roe, 1991).

Experimental

Crystals of the title compound were isolated from a silica gel chromatographic fraction.

Crystal data

C ₁₂ F ₁₄ O ₂	Cu Kα radiation
<i>M_r</i> = 441.97	λ = 1.5418 Å
Orthorhombic	Cell parameters from 25
<i>F</i> ddd	reflections
<i>a</i> = 9.5781 (8) Å	θ = 50–66°
<i>b</i> = 16.3763 (18) Å	μ = 2.62 mm ⁻¹
<i>c</i> = 17.4396 (14) Å	<i>T</i> = 295 K
<i>V</i> = 2735.5 (7) Å ³	Tabular
<i>Z</i> = 8	0.50 × 0.32 × 0.20 mm
<i>D_x</i> = 2.146 Mg m ⁻³	Colorless

Data collection

Enraf–Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer	<i>R</i> _{int} = 0.026
Profile data from θ–2θ scans	θ _{max} = 70°
Absorption correction: ψ scan (North, Phillips & Mathews, 1968)	<i>h</i> = –9 → 9
<i>T</i> _{min} = 0.967, <i>T</i> _{max} = 0.999	<i>k</i> = –16 → 0
3649 measured reflections	<i>l</i> = –17 → 17
657 independent reflections	3 standard reflections
537 observed reflections	monitored every 200 reflections
[<i>I</i> > 3σ]	frequency: 60 min
	intensity decay: <1.2%

Refinement

Refinement on <i>F</i>	Δρ _{max} = 0.07 e Å ⁻³
<i>R</i> = 0.051	Δρ _{min} = –0.06 e Å ⁻³
<i>wR</i> = 0.087	Extinction correction:
<i>S</i> = 1.032	Zachariasen (1963)
532 reflections	Extinction coefficient:
66 parameters	0.00001

$$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F) + (0.06F)^2 + 1.0]$$

$$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.12$$

Atomic scattering factors
from Cromer & Waber
(1974)

Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (Å²)

$$U_{\text{eq}} = (1/3)\sum_i \sum_j U_{ij} a_i^* a_j^* \mathbf{a}_i \cdot \mathbf{a}_j$$

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>U</i> _{eq}
F(1)	0.6424 (2)	0.2164 (1)	0.3178 (1)	0.0837 (5)
F(2)	0.5223 (2)	0.3265 (2)	0.3180 (1)	0.0890 (6)
F(3)	0.5551 (2)	0.2605 (2)	0.4233 (1)	0.0960 (6)
O(1)†	0.8208 (3)	0.1621 (1)	0.4307 (2)	0.0968 (8)
C(1)	0.7490 (3)	0.3322 (2)	0.3718 (2)	0.0509 (6)
C(2)	0.6140 (3)	0.2840 (2)	0.3592 (2)	0.0694 (8)
C(3)	7/8	0.2905 (2)	3/8	0.0504 (8)
C(4)‡	7/8	0.1986 (3)	3/8	0.0912 (13)

† Disordered O/F site of the acyl halide moiety.

‡ Positionally disordered.

Table 2. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °)

C(1)—C(2)	1.531 (4)	C(2)—F(2)	1.331 (5)
C(1)—C(3)	1.388 (3)	C(2)—F(3)	1.309 (4)
C(1)—C(1 ⁱ)	1.406 (6)	C(3)—C(4)	1.506 (7)
C(2)—F(1)	1.348 (5)	C(4)—O(1)	1.252 (4)
C(3)—C(1)—C(1 ⁱ)	119.1 (2)	F(2)—C(2)—F(3)	109.2 (3)
C(3)—C(1)—C(2)	119.1 (3)	C(1)—C(3)—C(4)	119.4 (2)
C(2)—C(1)—C(1 ⁱ)	121.7 (2)	C(1)—C(3)—C(1 ⁱⁱ)	121.1 (3)
C(1)—C(2)—F(1)	109.3 (3)	C(1 ⁱⁱ)—C(3)—C(4)	119.4 (2)
C(1)—C(2)—F(2)	111.3 (3)	C(3)—C(4)—O(1)	118.5 (3)
C(1)—C(2)—F(3)	113.2 (3)	C(3)—C(4)—O(1 ⁱⁱ)	118.5 (3)
F(1)—C(2)—F(2)	105.9 (3)	O(1)—C(4)—O(1 ⁱⁱ)	123.0 (5)
F(1)—C(2)—F(3)	107.6 (3)		

Symmetry codes: (i) $x, \frac{3}{4} - y, \frac{3}{4} - z$; (ii) $\frac{7}{8} - x, y, \frac{3}{8} - z$.

Data collection used a scan range of (0.7 + 0.14tanθ)°, a scan speed of 0.7 to 5.5° min⁻¹, a background 25% of the scan range, both below and above, and a counting time reflection/background ratio of 2:1. The structure was determined by direct methods. All atoms were refined with anisotropic displacement parameters. The O and F atoms of the acyl halide group were assumed to be disordered and were refined as a single O atom. The appearance of the displacement ellipsoids for the disordered O/F atoms and the acyl halide C atom indicates that the O and F atoms have typical displacement parameters for their site in the molecule and that they are site disordered. The much greater displacement parameter of the C atom in the plane of the acyl halide group indicates that it is modelling a random placement of the C atom, closer to O and further from F, and it is thus positionally disordered. No attempt was made to model the disorder other than by the displacement ellipsoid.

Data collection, cell refinement and data reduction were carried out using *CAD-4 Software* (Enraf–Nonius, 1989). All other calculations were performed using the *MoLEN* package (Fair, 1990).

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1,2,3,4,5,8-Hexakis(trimethylsilyl)-1,2,3,4,5,8-hexahydronaphthalene: the First Example of Double-*peri* Trimethylsilyl Substitution

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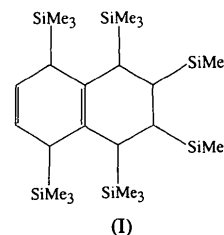
Abstract

The crystal structure determination of the title compound, $C_{28}H_{62}Si_6$, is the first reporting double-*peri* trimethylsilyl substitution. Four trimethyl groups are in axial positions, the remaining two groups are equatorial.

Comment

Polysilylation of naphthalene has been the subject of numerous works (Dunoguès, Calas, Biran & Duffaut, 1970; Birkofer & Ramadan, 1971; Yang, Liu & Liu, 1978; Laguerre, Dunoguès & Calas, 1981). In particular, it has been claimed (Dunoguès, Calas, Biran & Duffaut, 1970) that derivatives with two silicon groups in *peri*

positions (*i.e.* 1,8 substitution of naphthalene) might be difficult to obtain due to exaggerated steric hindrance. On reinvestigation, we showed that some of the previous interpretations were wrong (Grignon-Dubois, Laguerre & Saux, 1995; Grignon-Dubois & Laguerre, 1995). This is well demonstrated by the isolation of 1,2,3,4,5,8-hexakis(trimethylsilyl)-1,2,3,4,5,8-hexahydronaphthalene, (I).



The geometry of the molecule is shown in Fig. 1. From a close examination of the structure, it appears that this molecule is less sterically hindered than expected. The distances between the *peri* Si atoms are essentially the same as the distance between two adjacent Si atoms (mean 4.34 Å for the five Si...Si distances). The C—Si bond lengths have standard values only for the Si atoms at the naphthalene positions 2 and 3 [C3—Si12 and C4—Si13 1.885 (4) and 1.889 (4) Å, respectively], but for the four Si atoms in the *peri* positions 1,8 and 4,5, the bond lengths are significantly longer than the standard value (mean of C2—Si11, C5—Si14, C7—Si15 and C10—Si16 1.931 Å). This behaviour may contribute to a noticeable lowering of the total steric hindrance. The three (Si)C—C(Si) bonds in the tetrasilylated ring (C2—C3, C3—C4, C4—C5) are longer than usual (1.560–1.574 Å), as found previously

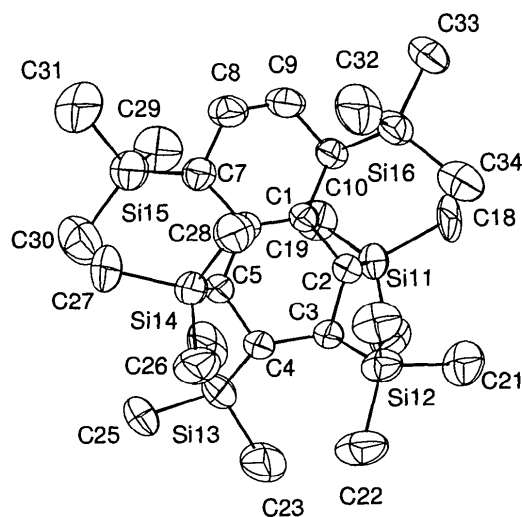


Fig. 1. Perspective view of the title molecule with the atomic numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are plotted at the 50% probability level.