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## $N$-Acetyliminodiacetate Dimethyl Ester

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#### Abstract

$N$-Acetyliminodiacetate dimethyl ester, $\mathrm{C}_{8} \mathrm{H}_{13} \mathrm{NO}_{5}$, was prepared for the synthesis of 3,4-diphenylpyrrole in a multi-step synthetic route to a model porphyrin. The technique used in this preparation yielded colorless crystals of high purity. Site geometry around the central N atom is nearly trigonal planar.


## Comment

In the search for synthetic routes for porphyrins, the title compound, (I) (Fig. 1), was synthesized. The crystal structure determination was undertaken to verify the synthetic procedure and to ascertain the geometry around the N atom.

(I)

A unique feature of the title structure is the trigonal planar site geometry around the central N atom. The sum of the three angles around $\mathrm{N}(1)$ is $360^{\circ}$ and the mean deviation of the plane formed by atoms $\mathrm{N}(1)$, $\mathrm{C}(1), \mathrm{C}(4)$ and $\mathrm{C}(7)$ is $0.0080 \AA$ [deviations with respect to the other atoms are $\mathrm{N}(1)-0.0160, \mathrm{C}(1) 0.0050$, $\mathrm{C}(4) 0.0050, \mathrm{C}(7) 0.0060 \AA$ ]. Bond lengths $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ and $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ of the diester portions of the struc-


Fig. 1. View of $\mathrm{C}_{8} \mathrm{H}_{13} \mathrm{NO}_{5}$ showing the labelling of the non- H atoms. Displacement ellipsoids are shown at $50 \%$ probability levels and $\mathbf{H}$ atoms are drawn as small circles of arbitrary radii.
ture are comparable to those found in dithiocarbamates, 1.460 (5), 1.467 (6) and 1.475 (8), 1.477 (8) $\AA$, respectively (Heinemann, Dölling \& Hartung, 1992), and in N -methylnitrilotriacetamide, 1.448 (4), 1.466 (3) and 1.477 (4) $\AA$ (Skrzypczak-Jankun \& Smith, 1994). The $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C}$ bond of the amide linkage, $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(7)$, is shorter by $0.1 \AA$ and is similar to values found in linuron, 1.361 (6) and 1.395 (7) A (Cadiergue, Pèpe, Astier, Boistelle \& Fiard, 1993), and in $N$-methylnitrilotriacetamide, 1.307 (3), 1.318 (4) and 1.321 (4) $\AA$ (Skrzypczak-Jankun \& Smith, 1994). This shorter $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ bond length indicates some double-bond character which is characteristic of zwitterion formation in $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{O}(5)$.

## Experimental

Iminodiacetate dimethyl ester hydrochloride was isolated from a refluxing solution of iminodiacetic acid (Jongkees, 1907) which had been saturated with hydrogen chloride gas. Conversion to the $N$-acetyliminodiacetate dimethyl ester was achieved by neutralizing 10 g of the ester hydrochloride with 15 ml of 3 M ammonium carbonate followed by the addition of 8 ml of acetic anhydride and extraction with chloroform. The solution was evaporated to give a white solid. The resulting material was washed with hexane and recrystallized from acetone to give clear colorless crystals of the title compound, yield 60.0\% (Prayzner, 1994).

## Crystal data

$\mathrm{C}_{8} \mathrm{H}_{13} \mathrm{NO}_{5}$
$M_{r}=203.2$
Monoclinic
$P 2_{1} / c$
$a=9.411$ (2) $\AA$
$b=14.457$ (3) $\AA$
$c=7.853(2) \AA$
$\beta=105.95(3)^{\circ}$
$V=1027.2(4) \AA^{3}$
$Z=4$
$D_{x}=1.314 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$

## Data collection

Siemens $R 3 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{V}$ diffractometer

Mo $K \alpha$ radiation
$\lambda=0.71073 \AA$
Cell parameters from 25 reflections
$\theta=12.0-12.5^{\circ}$
$\mu=0.110 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$
$T=297 \mathrm{~K}$
Wedge
$0.40 \times 0.35 \times 0.20 \mathrm{~mm}$
Colorless
$R_{\text {int }}=0.022$
$\theta_{\text {max }}=23.5^{\circ}$
$\omega$ scans
Absorption correction: none
2061 measured reflections
1519 independent reflections
925 observed reflections

$$
[F>4 \sigma(F)]
$$

## Refinement

Refinement on $F$
$R=0.0536$
$w R=0.0603$
$S=1.51$
925 reflections
127 parameters
H atoms were refined as a riding model with fixed isotropic $U$

$$
w=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}(F)+0.0005 F^{2}\right]
$$

$(\Delta / \sigma)_{\text {max }}<0.001$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& h=-10 \rightarrow 10 \\
& k=-1 \rightarrow 16 \\
& l=-1 \rightarrow 8
\end{aligned}
$$

3 standard reflections monitored every 97 reflections intensity decay: $2.0 \%$
$\Delta \rho_{\text {max }}=0.22 \mathrm{e} \AA^{-3}$
$\Delta \rho_{\text {min }}=-0.22$ e $\AA^{-3}$
Extinction correction: none
Atomic scattering factors from International Tables for X-ray Crystallography (1974, Vol. IV)

Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters $\left(A^{2}\right)$

| $U_{\mathrm{eq}}=(1 / 3) \sum_{i} \sum_{j} U_{i j} a_{i}^{*} a_{j}^{*} \mathbf{a}_{i} . \mathbf{a}_{j}$ |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $x$ | $y$ | $z$ | $U_{\mathrm{eq}}$ |
|  | $x$ | $0.2094(2)$ | $0.1065(4)$ | $0.077(1)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)$ | $0.4549(3)$ | $0.0838(4)$ | $0.077(1)$ |  |
| $\mathrm{O}(2)$ | $0.2602(3)$ | $0.2718(2)$ | $-0.08387(4)$ | $0.070(1)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(3)$ | $0.7418(3)$ | $0.4752(2)$ | $-0.1287(4)$ |  |
| $\mathrm{O}(4)$ | $0.9021(3)$ | $0.3648(2)$ | $-0.1442(4)$ | $0.068(1)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(5)$ | $0.8259(3)$ | $0.4024(2)$ | $0.3067(4)$ | $0.074(1)$ |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)$ | $0.6253(3)$ | $0.3650(2)$ | $0.0926(4)$ | $0.052(1)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $0.4676(4)$ | $0.3647(3)$ | $0.0059(5)$ | $0.051(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $0.3963(4)$ | $0.2733(3)$ | $0.0190(6)$ | $0.049(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $0.1762(5)$ | $0.1878(3)$ | $-0.0882(8)$ | $0.098(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $0.7216(4)$ | $0.3255(3)$ | $-0.0066(6)$ | $0.059(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $0.7871(4)$ | $0.3984(3)$ | $-0.0987(5)$ | $0.050(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(6)$ | $0.9768(4)$ | $0.4271(4)$ | $-0.2367(6)$ | $0.078(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $0.6906(4)$ | $0.4020(3)$ | $0.2524(5)$ | $0.050(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(8)$ | $0.5968(4)$ | $0.4405(3)$ | $0.3607(6)$ | $0.066(2)$ |

Table 2. Selected geometric parameters $\left(\AA^{\circ},^{\circ}\right)$

| $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $1.193(5)$ | $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $1.313(4)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $1.444(6)$ | $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $1.190(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $1.322(5)$ | $\mathrm{O}(4)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | $1.453(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(5)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $1.227(4)$ | $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $1.453(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $1.463(6)$ | $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $1.347(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $1.499(6)$ | $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $1.502(7)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | $1.492(7)$ |  |  |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $117.6(3)$ | $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{O}(4)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | $116.9(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $116.9(3)$ | $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $125.7(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $117.4(3)$ | $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $112.9(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ | $124.1(4)$ | $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $125.3(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $110.6(3)$ | $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $112.3(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{O}(4)$ | $124.4(4)$ | $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $125.3(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $110.3(4)$ | $\mathrm{O}(5)-\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{N}(1)$ | $119.3(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(5)-\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | $121.3(4)$ | $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | $119.4(3)$ |

The crystal was mounted on the tip of a glass fiber with epoxy. Data collection was carried out on an upgraded Nicolet/Siemens $R 3 m / V$ four-circle diffractometer using XSCANS (Siemens, 1994). The structure was solved by direct methods, and refinement and molecular graphics were obtained using standard SHELXTL-Plus programs (Sheldrick, 1991).

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# Molecular, Crystal Structure and Fluorescence Emission Properties of Diprotonated 7,10,19,22-Tetraoxa-4,13diaza $\left[16.8^{4,13}\right](9,10)$ anthracenophane ( $\boldsymbol{A}_{33} .2 \mathrm{H}^{+}$) 

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## Abstract

7,10,19,22-Tetraoxa-4,13-diaza[16.8 $\left.{ }^{4,13}\right](9,10)$ anthracenophane. $2 \mathrm{HClO}_{4} \cdot \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{CH}_{3}, \quad \mathrm{C}_{32} \mathrm{H}_{44} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{4} .2 \mathrm{HClO}_{4} \cdot \mathrm{C}_{7} \mathrm{H}_{8}$, is a diprotonated form of a molecular receptor described previously and the homologue of $A_{22} .2 \mathrm{H}^{+}$is also described. The present $A_{33} .2 \mathrm{H}^{+}$compound crystallizes with one molecule of solvent (toluene) and the $\mathrm{N}^{+}$H bonds are oriented outside the empty cavity towards

