

C2	0.1203 (2)	0.1948 (2)	0.81824 (9)	0.0329 (4)
C3	0.2730 (2)	0.2522 (3)	0.81227 (11)	0.0438 (5)
C4	0.3746 (3)	0.2436 (3)	0.87460 (14)	0.0559 (6)
C5	0.3206 (3)	0.1802 (3)	0.94295 (12)	0.0542 (6)
C6	0.1690 (3)	0.1259 (2)	0.94869 (10)	0.0497 (5)
C7	0.0633 (3)	0.1303 (2)	0.88655 (9)	0.0383 (4)
C8	-0.1016 (3)	0.0665 (3)	0.89237 (13)	0.0505 (5)
C9	-0.1112 (2)	0.0771 (2)	0.56451 (10)	0.0344 (4)
C10	-0.0462 (3)	0.1711 (3)	0.49793 (11)	0.0436 (5)
C11	-0.2299 (2)	0.2700 (2)	0.65445 (10)	0.0352 (4)
C12	-0.3668 (3)	0.1924 (4)	0.6958 (2)	0.0578 (6)

Table 4. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °) for DETTU

S—C1	1.702 (2)	C3—C4	1.385 (3)
N1—C1	1.358 (2)	C4—C5	1.384 (4)
N1—C2	1.432 (2)	C5—C6	1.363 (4)
N2—C1	1.344 (2)	C6—C7	1.403 (3)
N2—C11	1.467 (2)	C7—C8	1.496 (3)
N2—C9	1.470 (2)	C9—C10	1.511 (3)
C2—C3	1.381 (3)	C11—C12	1.512 (3)
C2—C7	1.395 (2)		
C1—N1—C2	126.24 (14)	C2—C3—C4	120.0 (2)
C1—N2—C11	123.43 (13)	C5—C4—C3	119.4 (2)
C1—N2—C9	121.51 (14)	C6—C5—C4	120.2 (2)
C11—N2—C9	115.02 (13)	C5—C6—C7	122.1 (2)
N2—C1—N1	115.63 (14)	C2—C7—C6	116.7 (2)
N2—C1—S	123.07 (12)	C2—C7—C8	121.3 (2)
N1—C1—S	121.30 (12)	C6—C7—C8	121.9 (2)
C3—C2—C7	121.6 (2)	N2—C9—C10	112.69 (15)
C3—C2—N1	120.4 (2)	N2—C11—C12	113.3 (2)
C7—C2—N1	117.9 (2)		

The two title structures were solved by direct methods and refined by a full-matrix least-squares technique. All H atoms in both structures were located from difference maps and refined isotropically.

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## $\alpha\beta\beta\alpha$ -3,4-Dimethyl-2,5-bis(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)tetrahydrofuran

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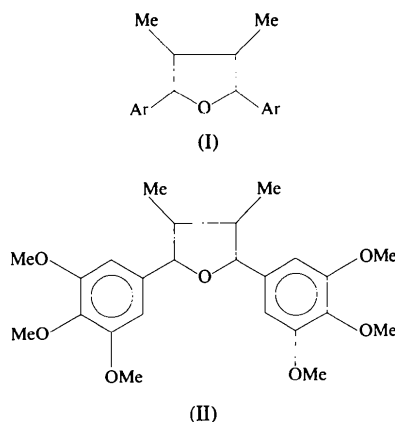
## Abstract

The crystal structure determination of the title compound, C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>32</sub>O<sub>7</sub>, a second isomer of the natural 2,5-bisaryltetrahydrofuran lignans, reveals that the molecule adopts an  $\alpha\beta\beta\alpha$  configuration. The tetrahydrofuran ring is in an intermediate conformation between half-chair and envelope.

## Comment

There are ten possible stereoisomers for natural 2,5-bisaryltetrahydrofuran lignans, (I), consisting of four diastereomeric pairs and two *meso* forms (Biftu & Stevenson, 1987). Although these isomers are found in nature, only the crystal structure of (–)-grandisin, an  $\alpha\beta\alpha\beta$  isomer, has been reported (Saad, Soepadmo, Fang, McLaughlin & Fanwick, 1991). We have now determined the crystal structure of one of the *meso* isomers, (II), a compound isolated from the roots of *Polyalthia bullata* (Annonaceae), a medicinal plant of Malaysia used for various ailments (Burkhill, 1966). The chemical structure was verified by its melting point, NMR and mass spectral data, which are similar to those of a compound isolated earlier from *Aristolochia birotis* (Conserva, Da Silva & Filho, 1990) and also to those of the synthetic compound (Biftu, Hazra & Stevenson, 1979).

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The title compound, (II), has been found to have the  $\alpha\beta\beta\alpha$  configuration (Fig. 1). Bond lengths for the trimethoxyphenyl groups are comparable with those observed in (–)-grandisin. The C—O bond lengths [C7—O4 1.426 (2), C10—O4 1.431 (2) Å] of the furan ring are also in good agreement with those of (–)-grandisin, whereas the ring C—C bond lengths are slightly longer. Two of the three methoxy groups attached to each phenyl ring (attached to the *meta* positions) lie close to the ring plane whereas the methyl C atom of the *para* substituent is well away from that plane. The dihedral angle between the planes of the two phenyl rings is 139.25 (6)°.

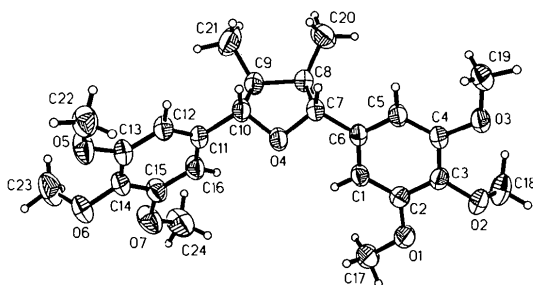


Fig. 1. ORTEP (Johnson, 1976) plot of the title molecule with the numbering scheme, showing 50% probability displacement ellipsoids.

In (–)-grandisin the tetrahydrofuran five-membered ring adopts a half-chair conformation with a twofold axis passing through the O atom, whereas in the title compound an intermediate conformation between a half-chair and envelope is observed [asymmetry parameters  $\Delta S(O4) = 0.039$  (1),  $\Delta 2(C8) = 0.052$  (1) (Nardelli, 1983a)].

There are several possible C—H...O hydrogen bonds in this structure, of which the most significant are: C18...O6<sup>i</sup> 3.355 (3) Å, C18—H18A...O6<sup>i</sup> 143 (2)°; C19...O5<sup>ii</sup> 3.446 (3) Å, C19—H19A...O5<sup>ii</sup> 145 (2)°; C19...O3<sup>iii</sup> 3.258 (4) Å, C19—H19B...O3<sup>iii</sup> 128 (2)°; symmetry codes: (i)  $x, \frac{1}{2} - y, z - \frac{1}{2}$ ; (ii)  $\frac{3}{2} - x, -y, z - \frac{1}{2}$ ; (iii)  $\frac{3}{2} - x, y - \frac{1}{2}, z$ .

## Experimental

The title compound [CA Reg. No. 50394-05-3] was obtained by column chromatography using silica gel (230–400 mesh) and eluted with hexane–ethyl acetate (4:1), forming colourless crystals on standing.

### Crystal data

C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>32</sub>O<sub>7</sub>  
*M<sub>r</sub>* = 432.50  
 Orthorhombic  
*Pbca*  
*a* = 20.660 (2) Å  
*b* = 7.706 (1) Å  
*c* = 29.217 (4) Å  
*V* = 4651.5 (10) Å<sup>3</sup>  
*Z* = 8  
*D<sub>x</sub>* = 1.235 Mg m<sup>−3</sup>

Mo *K*α radiation  
 $\lambda = 0.71073$  Å  
 Cell parameters from 29 reflections  
 $\theta = 7-12.5^\circ$   
 $\mu = 0.090$  mm<sup>−1</sup>  
*T* = 293 (2) K  
 Transparent block  
 0.60 × 0.56 × 0.38 mm  
 Colourless

### Data collection

Siemens *P4* four-circle diffractometer  
 $\theta/2\theta$  scans  
 Absorption correction: none  
 6550 measured reflections  
 5260 independent reflections  
 3238 observed reflections [*I* > 2σ(*I*)]

*R*<sub>int</sub> = 0.0303  
 $\theta_{\max} = 27.49^\circ$   
 $h = -1 \rightarrow 26$   
 $k = -1 \rightarrow 10$   
 $l = -1 \rightarrow 37$   
 3 standard reflections monitored every 97 reflections  
 intensity decay: none

### Refinement

Refinement on *F*<sup>2</sup>  
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.0470$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.2237$   
*S* = 0.935  
 5244 reflections  
 408 parameters  
 All H-atom parameters refined  
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0998P)^2]$  where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.18$  e Å<sup>−3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.22$  e Å<sup>−3</sup>  
 Extinction correction: none  
 Atomic scattering factors from *International Tables for Crystallography* (1992, Vol. C, Tables 4.2.6.8 and 6.1.1.4)

Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (Å<sup>2</sup>)

$$U_{eq} = (1/3)\sum_i \sum_j U_{ij} a_i^* a_j^* a_i a_j$$

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>U</i> <sub>eq</sub>
O1	0.97104 (7)	0.2728 (2)	0.49732 (5)	0.0554 (4)
O2	0.90239 (7)	0.2480 (2)	0.42064 (5)	0.0513 (4)
O3	0.80746 (7)	0.0150 (2)	0.41128 (4)	0.0510 (4)
O4	0.84441 (7)	−0.0991 (2)	0.61338 (4)	0.0475 (3)
O5	0.77155 (7)	−0.1271 (2)	0.80590 (5)	0.0665 (5)
O6	0.88882 (8)	−0.0079 (2)	0.82564 (4)	0.0584 (4)
O7	0.98384 (7)	−0.0072 (3)	0.76424 (5)	0.0731 (5)
C1	0.90635 (9)	0.0476 (2)	0.53462 (6)	0.0428 (4)
C2	0.92302 (9)	0.1509 (2)	0.49740 (6)	0.0422 (4)
C3	0.88859 (9)	0.1378 (2)	0.45646 (6)	0.0413 (4)
C4	0.83773 (9)	0.0197 (2)	0.45280 (6)	0.0406 (4)
C5	0.82086 (10)	−0.0821 (3)	0.49020 (6)	0.0421 (4)
C6	0.85505 (9)	−0.0682 (2)	0.53106 (6)	0.0396 (4)
C7	0.83544 (9)	−0.1827 (3)	0.57030 (6)	0.0411 (4)
C8	0.87193 (10)	−0.3578 (2)	0.57405 (6)	0.0431 (4)
C9	0.87468 (11)	−0.3883 (3)	0.62669 (6)	0.0472 (5)
C10	0.83456 (10)	−0.2367 (3)	0.64553 (6)	0.0441 (4)
C11	0.84990 (9)	−0.1757 (3)	0.69346 (6)	0.0433 (4)
C12	0.80191 (10)	−0.1818 (3)	0.72652 (6)	0.0457 (5)

C13	0.81515 (10)	-0.1281 (3)	0.77101 (6)	0.0463 (5)
C14	0.87689 (10)	-0.0704 (3)	0.78221 (6)	0.0458 (4)
C15	0.92491 (10)	-0.0651 (3)	0.74900 (7)	0.0500 (5)
C16	0.91160 (11)	-0.1171 (3)	0.70461 (7)	0.0517 (5)
C17	1.00865 (12)	0.2936 (3)	0.53767 (9)	0.0576 (6)
C18	0.94625 (14)	0.1770 (4)	0.38825 (9)	0.0663 (7)
C19	0.75146 (15)	-0.0931 (4)	0.40725 (9)	0.0682 (7)
C20	0.8398 (2)	-0.4960 (3)	0.54555 (10)	0.0679 (7)
C21	0.8513 (3)	-0.5626 (4)	0.64410 (11)	0.0915 (11)
C22	0.70538 (12)	-0.1482 (5)	0.79541 (10)	0.0672 (7)
C23	0.9065 (2)	-0.1339 (5)	0.85823 (9)	0.0846 (9)
C24	1.03674 (13)	-0.0203 (5)	0.73362 (12)	0.0824 (9)

Table 2. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °)

O1—C2	1.367 (2)	C3—C4	1.394 (3)
O1—C17	1.421 (3)	C4—C5	1.390 (3)
O2—C3	1.377 (2)	C5—C6	1.391 (3)
O2—C18	1.420 (3)	C6—C7	1.503 (2)
O3—C4	1.365 (2)	C7—C8	1.549 (3)
O3—C19	1.431 (3)	C8—C20	1.506 (3)
O4—C7	1.426 (2)	C8—C9	1.557 (3)
O4—C10	1.431 (2)	C9—C21	1.515 (3)
O5—C13	1.360 (2)	C9—C10	1.534 (3)
O5—C22	1.410 (3)	C10—C11	1.511 (2)
O6—C14	1.380 (2)	C11—C12	1.385 (3)
O6—C23	1.408 (3)	C11—C16	1.391 (3)
O7—C15	1.371 (2)	C12—C13	1.391 (3)
O7—C24	1.416 (3)	C13—C14	1.390 (3)
C1—C6	1.390 (3)	C14—C15	1.388 (3)
C1—C2	1.391 (3)	C15—C16	1.385 (3)
C2—C3	1.395 (3)		
C2—O1—C17	118.2 (2)	C20—C8—C7	111.2 (2)
C3—O2—C18	113.7 (2)	C20—C8—C9	117.1 (2)
C4—O3—C19	117.3 (2)	C7—C8—C9	102.65 (15)
C7—O4—C10	103.06 (14)	C21—C9—C10	112.5 (2)
C13—O5—C22	118.6 (2)	C21—C9—C8	117.0 (2)
C14—O6—C23	115.3 (2)	C10—C9—C8	102.70 (15)
C15—O7—C24	117.2 (2)	O4—C10—C11	110.3 (2)
C6—C1—C2	119.9 (2)	O4—C10—C9	104.59 (14)
O1—C2—C1	125.1 (2)	C11—C10—C9	117.1 (2)
O1—C2—C3	114.7 (2)	C12—C11—C16	120.2 (2)
C1—C2—C3	120.2 (2)	C12—C11—C10	119.1 (2)
O2—C3—C4	120.0 (2)	C16—C11—C10	120.7 (2)
O2—C3—C2	120.1 (2)	C11—C12—C13	120.0 (2)
C4—C3—C2	119.8 (2)	O5—C13—C14	115.4 (2)
O3—C4—C5	124.6 (2)	O5—C13—C12	124.9 (2)
O3—C4—C3	115.5 (2)	C14—C13—C12	119.7 (2)
C5—C4—C3	119.8 (2)	O6—C14—C15	120.3 (2)
C4—C5—C6	120.3 (2)	O6—C14—C13	119.5 (2)
C1—C6—C5	120.1 (2)	C15—C14—C13	120.0 (2)
C1—C6—C7	121.7 (2)	O7—C15—C16	125.1 (2)
C5—C6—C7	118.2 (2)	O7—C15—C14	114.6 (2)
O4—C7—C6	111.9 (2)	C16—C15—C14	120.3 (2)
O4—C7—C8	105.54 (14)	C15—C16—C11	119.7 (2)
C6—C7—C8	115.8 (2)		

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## Methyl 3-O-Benzoyl-4,6-O-benzylidene-2-O-trifluoromethylsulfonyl- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranoside

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## Abstract

The title compound, C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>21</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sub>9</sub>S, is of interest as a potential precursor of 2-azido-2-deoxy-D-glucopyranose derivatives. The conformation of the molecule is as expected.

## Comment

In connection with the synthesis of glycosyl-phosphatidylinositols (Cottaz, Brimacombe & Ferguson, 1993),