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(5*R*)-5-[(*S*)- α -Hydroxybenzyl]-5-(*L*-menthyloxy)-4-(1-pyrrolidinyl)furan-2(5*H*)-one

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Abstract

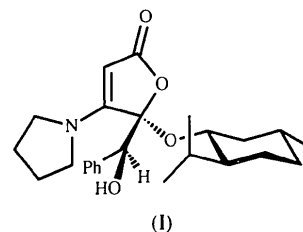
The determination of the structure of the title compound, C₂₅H₃₅NO₄, confirms the *R* and *S* absolute configurations at the 5 position of the furanone ring and the α position of the hydroxybenzyl substituent, respectively, taking into account the known configuration of the menthyl moiety.

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Comment

Due to their versatility as intermediates in organic synthesis, furan-2(5*H*)-ones have been the target compounds of several generally applicable synthetic routes. One of the most useful approaches is the reaction of enolate anions generated from furanone derivatives with electrophiles. In this case, the presence of an electron-releasing group such as alkoxy (Honda, Hayakawa, Kondoh, Okuyama & Tsubuki, 1991; Pelter, Al-Bayati, Ayoub, Lewis & Pardasani, 1987) or alkyl-amino (de Ancos, Fariña, Maestro, Martín & Vicioso, 1991; Nishide, Aramata, Kamanaka & Node, 1993; Schlessinger, Iwanowicz & Springer, 1988; Schlessinger, Mjalli, Adams, Springer & Hoogsteen, 1992) at the 4 position favours the formation of C5-substituted derivatives. With respect to the stereoselectivity of this reaction, several studies were carried out using substrates with a pyrrolidine derivative as chiral auxiliary group at the C4 position. Recently, a new 4-enaminofuranone with the chiral group at the 5 position of the furanone ring, 5-(*L*-menthyloxy)-4-(1-pyrrolidinyl)furan-2(5*H*)-one, has been prepared (Martín & Mateo, 1994) and the reaction of the enolate anion of this compound with several electrophiles has been studied (Martín & Mateo, 1995). The determination of the absolute configuration of the main product obtained in the reaction with benzaldehyde, the title compound, (I), has been accomplished by X-ray analysis and the known configuration of the menthyl moiety in the starting material.



The furanone ring can be considered to be flat, with the mean deviation of the plane for C4 [0.003 (5) Å]. The pyrrolidine ring has an envelope conformation with

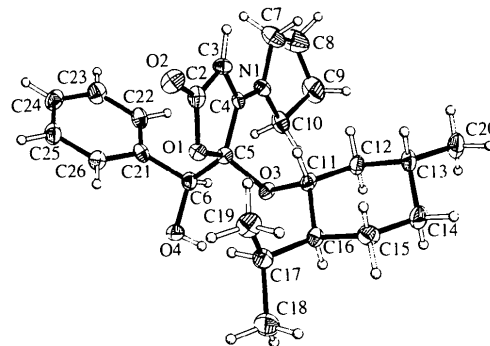


Fig. 1. The molecular structure of the title compound showing 20% probability displacement ellipsoids for non-H atoms.

C9 0.49 (2) Å out of the plane defined by the other four atoms. The angle between these rings is 3.5 (7)°. Inter-molecular hydrogen bonds have been found [C10···O2ⁱ 3.70 (1), H10b···O2ⁱ 2.79 (1) Å, C10—H10b···O2ⁱ 155.2 (2)°; C22···O2ⁱ 3.38 (1), H22···O2ⁱ 2.62 (1) Å, C22—H22···O2ⁱ 139.6 (2)°; symmetry code: (i) *x*, *y*+1, *z*], although none of them involves O4—H41.

Experimental

The crystals were grown by slow evaporation of a hexane solution of the compound prepared according to the procedure described by Martín & Mateo (1995).

Crystal data

C₂₅H₃₅NO₄

M_r = 413.54

Triclinic

*P*1

a = 7.813 (2) Å

b = 8.058 (2) Å

c = 10.212 (2) Å

α = 92.44 (3)°

β = 105.51 (3)°

γ = 106.03 (3)°

V = 590.7 (2) Å³

Z = 1

D_x = 1.163 Mg m⁻³

Data collection

Rigaku AFC-7R four-circle diffractometer

2θ/ω scans

Absorption correction: none

3086 measured reflections

3086 independent reflections

1701 observed reflections

[*I* > 2σ(*I*)]

Refinement

Refinement on *F*²

R [*F*² > 2σ(*F*²)] = 0.0742

wR (*F*²) = 0.1683

S = 1.020

3086 reflections

275 parameters

Only coordinates of H atoms refined

w = 1/[σ²(*F*_o²) + (0.0431*P*)²]
where *P* = (*F*_o² + 2*F*_c²)/3

Mo *K*α radiation

λ = 0.71073 Å

Cell parameters from 25 reflections

θ = 20–25°

μ = 0.078 mm⁻¹

T = 273 (2) K

Transparent block

0.30 × 0.27 × 0.25 mm

Colourless

θ_{max} = 22.50°

h = -8 → 8

k = -8 → 8

l = -10 → 10

3 standard reflections

monitored every 100

reflections

intensity decay: none

(Δ/σ)_{max} < 0.001

Δρ_{max} = 0.156 e Å⁻³

Δρ_{min} = -0.190 e Å⁻³

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 (Å²)

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

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>U</i> _{eq}
O1	0.5699 (7)	0.0825 (6)	0.4519 (5)	0.0418 (14)
C2	0.7203 (13)	0.0609 (12)	0.5479 (9)	0.052 (2)
O2	0.7081 (8)	-0.0769 (7)	0.5956 (6)	0.068 (2)
C3	0.8720 (11)	0.2156 (10)	0.5762 (8)	0.046 (2)

C4	0.8176 (10)	0.3345 (10)	0.4993 (8)	0.038 (2)
C5	0.6204 (11)	0.2554 (10)	0.4145 (8)	0.039 (2)
C6	0.4853 (11)	0.3504 (11)	0.4408 (8)	0.050 (2)
O4	0.2986 (8)	0.2584 (9)	0.3615 (7)	0.068 (2)
N1	0.9220 (9)	0.4963 (9)	0.4960 (7)	0.048 (2)
C7	1.1118 (12)	0.5656 (11)	0.5821 (11)	0.078 (3)
C8	1.1726 (16)	0.7512 (14)	0.5561 (15)	0.123 (5)
C9	1.0548 (18)	0.7573 (14)	0.4176 (14)	0.109 (4)
C10	0.8682 (12)	0.6241 (11)	0.4063 (10)	0.065 (3)
O3	0.5894 (7)	0.2422 (6)	0.2708 (5)	0.041 (14)
C11	0.6791 (10)	0.1353 (10)	0.2081 (8)	0.045 (2)
C12	0.8267 (11)	0.2536 (10)	0.1591 (8)	0.051 (2)
C13	0.9136 (11)	0.1574 (11)	0.0747 (9)	0.055 (2)
C14	0.7546 (12)	0.0415 (12)	-0.0453 (9)	0.065 (3)
C15	0.6090 (12)	-0.0878 (11)	0.0074 (9)	0.062 (3)
C16	0.5230 (11)	0.0094 (9)	0.0930 (8)	0.046 (2)
C17	0.3679 (11)	-0.1179 (11)	0.1395 (9)	0.059 (2)
C18	0.1921 (12)	-0.1961 (12)	0.0174 (10)	0.089 (3)
C19	0.4299 (12)	-0.2604 (11)	0.2127 (9)	0.070 (3)
C20	1.0584 (13)	0.2820 (12)	0.0220 (10)	0.080 (3)
C21	0.4855 (10)	0.3635 (10)	0.5876 (9)	0.045 (2)
C22	0.5999 (12)	0.5128 (10)	0.6778 (10)	0.057 (3)
C23	0.6000 (13)	0.5274 (13)	0.8135 (10)	0.073 (3)
C24	0.4878 (14)	0.3977 (15)	0.8610 (10)	0.072 (3)
C25	0.3749 (13)	0.2519 (12)	0.7745 (10)	0.065 (3)
C26	0.3756 (11)	0.2340 (10)	0.6386 (8)	0.049 (2)

Table 2. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °)

O1—C2	1.373 (9)	C4—C5	1.492 (10)
O1—C5	1.437 (8)	C5—O3	1.416 (9)
C2—O2	1.221 (9)	C5—C6	1.534 (9)
C2—C3	1.419 (10)	C6—O4	1.433 (9)
C3—C4	1.351 (10)	C6—C21	1.498 (10)
C4—N1	1.341 (8)	O3—C11	1.473 (8)
C2—O1—C5	108.7 (6)	O3—C5—C4	115.8 (7)
O2—C2—O1	120.0 (8)	O1—C5—C4	104.3 (6)
O2—C2—C3	130.3 (9)	O3—C5—C6	104.6 (6)
O1—C2—C3	109.8 (7)	O1—C5—C6	109.3 (6)
C4—C3—C2	108.5 (7)	C4—C5—C6	114.4 (6)
N1—C4—C3	126.5 (7)	O4—C6—C21	106.7 (7)
N1—C4—C5	124.7 (7)	O4—C6—C5	110.2 (6)
C3—C4—C5	108.8 (7)	C21—C6—C5	112.7 (6)
O3—C5—O1	108.2 (6)	C5—O3—C11	118.7 (6)

Data collection: *MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software* (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1992a). Cell refinement: *TEXSAN* (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1992b). Data reduction: *TEXSAN*. Program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS86* (Sheldrick, 1990). Program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL93* (Sheldrick, 1993). Molecular graphics: *SHELXTL-Plus* (Sheldrick, 1989). Software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL93*.

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1:1 Complex Formed by 2-Picoline *N*-Oxide and 4-Nitrophenol

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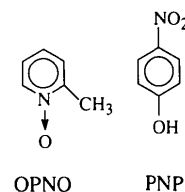
The 2-picoline *N*-oxide and 4-nitrophenol moieties in the title complex, C₆H₇NO.C₆H₅NO₃, are held together by an intermolecular O—H...CN hydrogen bond. This crystal structure exhibits partial overlap between the rings of the molecules, in the [110] direction. The complex formed may be described by two planes which contain the 2-picoline *N*-oxide and 4-nitrophenol molecules, respectively.

Comment

There is a growing interest in the study and development of organic materials that have non-linear properties, as evidenced by the large number of publications on this

subject (*e.g.* Pugh, Morley, Nicoud & Twieg, 1987; Prasad & Williams, 1991; Marder, Gorman, Tiemann & Cheng, 1993; Burland, Miller & Walsh, 1994; Kitazawa, Higuchi, Takahashi, Wada & Sasabe, 1995).

The present structure determination is one in a series of investigations of molecular complexes based on 2-picoline *N*-oxide (OPNO). The crystal structure reported in this work is part of an ongoing study into the effect of substitution on the packing of the complexes formed from OPNO and hydrogen-bond donors. The formation of the adduct from OPNO and 4-nitrophenol (PNP) may help to explore the possible applications of this system in non-linear optics. Since the literature does not contain enough structural information about OPNO, other similar systems have been analysed. One structure that could be compared with our system is that of the picolinic acid *N*-oxide (Laing & Nicholson, 1971). The formation of similar adducts from 3-picoline *N*-oxide and fumaric acid, 4-picoline *N*-oxide and 2-nitrobenzoic acid (Gorres, McAfee & Jacobson, 1975; Moreno-Fuquen, de Almeida Santos & Valderrama, 1995) have been undertaken. The N—O bond length of 1.324 (2) Å in the title structure lies between the values of 1.304 (6) Å, found in the adduct of 3-picoline *N*-oxide and fumaric acid, and 1.37 Å in the chlorhydrate of pyridinoxide (Tsoucaris, 1961), and is close to the values reported for picolinic acid *N*-oxide (1.34 Å) and for the adduct of 4-picoline *N*-oxide and 2-nitrobenzoic acid [1.338 (3) Å]. The C—O bond length of 1.364 (3) Å in the present complex is very close to that in the PNP molecule (1.361 Å; Coppens & Schmidt, 1965). Other internal distances and angles of the PNP molecule of the adduct are comparable with those reported for the free molecule, furthermore distances and angles for the pyridinoxide ring are comparable with those reported previously (Laing & Nicholson, 1971; Gorres, McAfee & Jacobson, 1975; Moreno-Fuquen, de Almeida Santos & Valderrama, 1995).



The OPNO + PNP adduct and its numbering scheme are shown in Fig. 1. The molecular complex is held together by an intermolecular hydrogen bond between the O3 of the PNP and the O4 of the *N*-oxide group of the OPNO with an O3...O4 distance equal to 2.600 (3) Å. The dihedral angle formed by the planes which essentially contain the rings of the molecules is 87.75 (8)°. The title complex exhibits overlap between the OPNO and PNP molecules in approximately the [110] direction. The mean interplanar distances between