Refinement on F^2	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$
R(F) = 0.0419	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.149 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
$wR(F^2) = 0.1181$	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.165 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
S = 1.029	Extinction correction: none
3103 reflections	Atomic scattering factors
218 parameters	from International Tables
H atoms freely refined	for Crystallography (1992,
isotropically	Vol. C, Tables 4.2.6.8 and
$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0518P)^2]$	6.1.1.4)
+ 0.2214 <i>P</i>]	
where $P = (F_c^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$	

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

	$U_{ m eq}$:	$= (1/3) \sum_i \sum_j U_{ij} d_{ij}$	$a_i^*a_j^*\mathbf{a}_i.\mathbf{a}_j.$	
	x	у	z	U_{eq}
01	0.5489(3)	0.6584 (2)	0.40420(11)	0.0626 (5)
O2	0.1972 (3)	0.6311 (2)	0.48825 (12)	0.0687 (5)
C1	0.3640 (3)	0.9838 (2)	0.27865 (13)	0.0404 (5)
C2	0.5198 (4)	1.0752 (3)	0.3318 (2)	0.0545 (6)
C3	0.3332 (5)	1.2246 (3)	0.3615 (2)	0.0614 (6)
C4	0.1182 (4)	1.2628 (2)	0.2886(2)	0.0515 (5)
C5	0.0933 (6)	1.4462 (3)	0.2231 (2)	0.0729 (8)
C6	0.3092 (6)	1.4409 (3)	0.1478 (2)	0.0755 (8)
C7	0.3375 (5)	1.2613 (3)	0.1242(2)	0.0577 (6)
C8	0.1534 (5)	1.2307 (3)	0.0518(2)	0.0685 (7)
C9	0.0960 (4)	1.0732 (3)	0.13260 (15)	0.0532 (6)
C10	0.2846 (5)	0.9173 (3)	0.1249 (2)	0.0607 (6)
C11	0.4427 (4)	0.8777 (3)	0.1976 (2)	0.0535 (6)
C12	0.2110(3)	1.1405 (2)	0.21572 (13)	0.0415 (5)
C13	0.2047 (4)	0.8798 (3)	0.3597 (2)	0.0478 (5)
C14	0.3374 (4)	0.7121 (2)	0.41852 (14)	0.0454 (5)

Table 2. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °)

01—C14	1.209 (2)	C5—C6	1.519 (4)
O2-C14	1.310(2)	C6—C7	1.516(3)
C1-C11	1.513 (3)	C7—C8	1.554 (3)
C1-C12	1.527 (3)	C7—C12	1.594 (3)
C1-C2	1.529 (3)	C8—C9	1.540 (3)
C1-C13	1.546 (3)	C9-C10	1.512 (3)
C2-C3	1.550(3)	C9—C12	1.560 (3)
C3—C4	1.564 (3)	C10-C11	1.323 (3)
C4-C12	1.529 (3)	C13—C14	1.514 (3)
C4C5	1.533 (3)		
C11—C1—C12	100.02 (15)	C1-C12-C4	106.21 (15)
C11-C1-C2	128.0 (2)	C1-C12-C9	106.72 (15)
C12-C1-C2	100.1 (2)	C4-C12-C9	134.9 (2)
C11-C1-C13	107.4 (2)	C1-C12-C7	119.2 (2)
C12-C1-C13	110.8 (2)	C4—C12—C7	103.0 (2)
C2-C1-C13	109.2 (2)	C9-C12-C7	86.78 (15)

Data collection: XSCANS (Siemens, 1994). Cell refinement: XSCANS. Data reduction: XSCANS. Program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS86 (Sheldrick, 1990). Program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL93 (Sheldrick, 1993). Molecular graphics: PEANUT (Hummel, Hauser & Bürgi, 1990). Software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL93.

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3a,7a-Dibromo-2-butyl-4,7-methano-1,3,3a,4,7,7a-hexahydro-2*H*-isoindole-1,3dione from the Reaction of 3,4-Dibromo-1butylmaleimide with Cyclopentadiene

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Abstract

It is shown that reaction of 1-butylpyrrole successively with N-bromosuccinimide then nitric acid gives 3,4dibromo-1-butylmaleimide since the latter then undergoes Diels-Alder cycloaddition with cyclopentadiene to give the title compound, $C_{13}H_{15}Br_2NO_2$.

Comment

Interest in the cycloaddition reactions of oxidopyraziniums (Yates, Peters, Beddoes, Scopes, & Joule, 1995) drew our attention to the recent report (Brockmann & Tour, 1995) of the apparently similar reactivity of the compound $C_8H_9Br_2NO_2$, assigned the zwitterionic structure (1), and prepared from 1-butylpyrrole by dibromination then oxidation (see scheme below). It seemed surprising the substance was recrystallized from ethanol without suffering displacement of bromine(s) by the nucleophilic solvent.



 $C_8H_9Br_2NO_2$ reacted with cyclopentadiene giving a 1:1 adduct assigned structure (2) (or its *exo* isomer). On the face of it, this thermal cycloaddition seemed to involve the symmetry-forbidden reaction of two 4π components. It seemed that the structure and relative stereochemistry of the cyclopentadiene adduct, and by implication of $C_8H_9Br_2NO_2$, could be verified by X-ray crystallographic study.

We repeated the preparation of $C_8H_9Br_2NO_2$ and the cyclopentadiene adduct derived from it, in each case obtaining materials with the same m.p. and spectroscopic properties as those reported. We have also obtained crystallographically suitable crystals of the cycloadduct by recrystallization from CH_2Cl_2/C_6H_{14} , m.p. 394–395 K.



Fig. 1. ORTEP (Johnson, 1965) drawing of the molecule with ellipsoids at the 50% probability level. The molecule lies on a crystallographic mirror plane, through N1, C6 and C9; the alternative positions for the disordered atoms C7 and C8, on opposite sides of this mirror plane, are not shown.

The structure elucidation described below shows the adduct to have structure (3). This result implies that the bromination/oxidation product from 1-butylpyrrole actually has structure (4) and that the reaction with cyclopentadiene is a straightforward Diels-Alder reaction, showing normal *endo* selectivity, between the diene and the 3,4-dibromomaleimide (4) as a dienophile.

This result also implies, unless one supposes that rearrangements of both 2- and 5-bromine substituents occur during oxidation, that the bromination product is actually 3,4-dibromo-1-butylpyrrole and not its 2,5-dibromo isomer, and that the sequence is correctly represented by the scheme below. There is a precedent (Bray, Mathies, Naef, Solas, Tidwell, Artis & Muchowski, 1990) for the alteration of the normal tendency for α -electrophilic substitution in pyrroles to β -selectivity when a nitrogen substituent of substantial size is present.



Experimental

Chemical synthesis and crystallization were from a mixture of dichloromethane and hexane.

Crystal data

$C_{13}H_{15}Br_2NO_2$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$M_r = 377.08$	$\lambda = 0.7107 \text{ Å}$
Orthorhombic	Cell parameters from 25
Pnma	reflections
a = 20.345(3) Å	$\theta = 7.7 - 12.1^{\circ}$
b = 10.316(2) Å	$\mu = 5.969 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
c = 6.482(1) Å	T = 295.2 K
$V = 1360.5 (7) \text{ Å}^3$	Prismatic
Z = 4	$0.13 \times 0.12 \times 0.05 \text{ mm}$
$D_x = 1.841 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$	Colourless
D_m not measured	
Data collection	
Rigaku AFC-5R diffractom-	637 observed reflections
eter	$[I > 3\sigma(I)]$
ω scans	$\theta_{\rm max} = 25.03^{\circ}$
Absorption correction:	$h = 0 \rightarrow 24$
ψ scans (North, Phillips	$k = 0 \rightarrow 12$
& Mathews, 1968)	$l = -7 \rightarrow 0$
$T_{\min} = 0.639, T_{\max} =$	3 standard reflections
1.000	monitored every 150
1449 measured reflections	reflections
1449 independent reflections	intensity decay: -0.59%
Refinement	

Refinement on FR = 0.0371wR = 0.0245 $\Delta \rho_{\text{max}} = 0.34 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ $\Delta \rho_{\text{min}} = -0.36 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ Extinction correction: none Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters $(Å^2)$

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

	x	у	z	U_{eq}
Brl	0.19925 (4)	0.08695(7)	0.1245(1)	0.0637 (3)
01	0.0467 (2)	0.0301 (4)	0.2114 (8)	0.059 (2)
N1	0.0351 (4)	1/4	0.179(1)	0.038 (3)
C1	0.1359 (3)	0.1747 (6)	0.300(1)	0.042 (2)
C2	0.1510(3)	0.1425 (7)	0.531 (1)	0.044 (2)
C3	0.0912 (3)	0.1859 (6)	0.650(1)	0.048 (2)
C4	0.1989 (5)	1/4	0.583 (1)	0.051 (4)
C5	0.0686 (3)	0.1367 (7)	0.225 (1)	0.040 (2)
C6	-0.0326 (5)	1/4	0.100 (2)	0.057 (4)
C7*	-0.0818 (8)	0.199 (2)	0.266 (3)	0.056 (6)
C8*	-0.0896 (9)	0.299 (2)	0.429 (3)	0.066(7)
C9	-0.1368 (5)	1/4	0.600 (2)	0.071 (5)

* Site occupancy 0.5.

Table 2. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °)

Br1-C1	1.942 (6)	C2—C3	1.508 (9)
01—C5	1.190 (7)	C2—C4	1.513 (9)
N1-C5	1.384 (7)	C3C3 ⁱ	1.32(1)
N1-C6	1.47 (1)	C6C7	1.56(2)
C1C1 ⁱ	1.55(1)	C7C8	1.49 (2)
C1C2	1.566 (9)	C8—C9	1.55 (2)
C1C5	1.506 (9)		

Symmetry code: (i) $x, \frac{1}{2} - y, z$.

The molecule has been treated as lying on a crystallographic mirror plane, with a disordered *n*-butyl substituent, in preference to the corresponding ordered space group, $Pn2_1a$, in which refinement became ill-conditioned.

Data collection: *MSC/AFC* (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1988). Cell refinement: *MSC/AFC*. Data reduction: *TEXSAN* (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1995). Program(s) used to solve structure: *SIR*92 (Altomare, Cascarano, Giacovazzo & Guagliardi, 1993). Program(s) used to refine structure: *TEXSAN*. Software used to prepare material for publication: *TEXSAN*.

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5,15-Diaza-6,16-dihydroxytetrabenzo-[*b*,*e*,*k*,*n*]perylene

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Abstract

The molecule of the title compound, $C_{34}H_{18}N_2O_2$, belongs to point group C_i . The area between the two opposing phenyl rings is overcrowded so that each phenyl ring is bent out of the diazaperylene skeleton in such a way that one ring is above and the other is below the molecular plane. Due to the ring strain thus induced, the C—C bonds in the bent phenyl rings are no longer equal. There are intramolecular hydrogen bonds between the OH groups and N atoms, which stabilize the molecule. The molecules are stacked in a herringbone fashion, with an interplanar distance of 3.43 (1) Å along the *b* axis where there are close interatomic contacts.

Comment

5,15-Diaza-6,16-dihydroxytetrabenzo[b,e,k,n]perylene (DDTP), (I), is a new purple–violet light-stable insoluble pigment based on the diazaperylene skeleton. Kitahara, Nishi, Hasegawa & Maeda (1988) prepared it from diethyl 2,5-dioxo-1,4-cyclohexanedicarboxylate and 2aminobenzophenone and claimed a patent with a keto structure. The colour of the pigment was reddish purple. Kitahara & Nishi (1988) later reported the synthesis and properties of diazaperylene derivatives. They proposed three possible structures, namely, an enol structure, (I), a keto structure and 5,15-diaza-5b,15b-dihydrotetrabenzo[b,e,k,n]perylene-6,16-dione. From these they selected the last structure, since they could not observe the NH and OH stretching bands in the IR spectra. Jaffe (1991) independently prepared the same substance