

*Acta Cryst.* (1998). **C54**, 113–114**8 $\alpha$ -Hydroxy-11 $\alpha$ ,13-dihydrozaluzanin C**HIROKO KAKUDA,<sup>a</sup> AMR M. HELAL,<sup>b</sup> NORIO NAKAMURA<sup>c</sup>  
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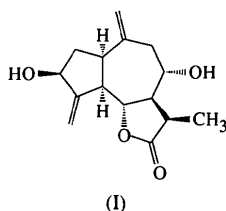
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**Abstract**

In the structure of the title compound [3 $\alpha$ ,4,5,6,6 $\alpha$ ,7,8,9,9 $\alpha$ ,9 $\beta$ -decahydro-4,8-dihydroxy-3-methyl-6,9-bis(methylene)azuleno[4,5-*b*]furan-2(3*H*)-one, C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>4</sub>], the secondary hydroxyl groups participate in intermolecular hydrogen bonds both as donors and acceptors.

**Comment**

The title molecule, (I), was isolated previously from *Ainsliaea fragrans* Champ. as an oily substance (Bohlmann & Chen, 1982). Recently, we obtained the same compound from *Centaurea scoparia* Sieb. as colourless crystals (Helal *et al.*, 1997). The X-ray crystal and molecular structure determinations confirm the relative stereochemistry unambiguously.



The title compound has a cyclopentane ring *cis*-fused and a  $\gamma$ -lactone ring *trans*-fused to a cycloheptane ring (Fig. 1). The  $\gamma$ -lactone ring has a half-chair conformation with a pseudo-twofold axis running through the C12 carbonyl atom. The cyclopentane ring exhibits a distorted half-chair conformation with the C4 atom on the approximate twofold axis. The torsion angles of the cycloheptane ring have C<sub>2</sub> symmetrical values and the ring is therefore in a twist-chair conformation. The pseudo-twofold axis bisects the C7—C8 bond and passes through C1.

The secondary hydroxyl groups participate in intermolecular hydrogen bonds both as donors and acceptors. Atom O3 donates a hydrogen bond to O8 and also ac-

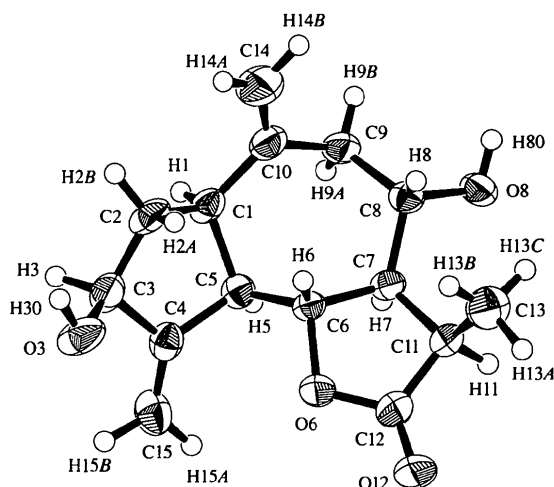


Fig. 1. The molecular structure of (I) showing 50% probability displacement ellipsoids.

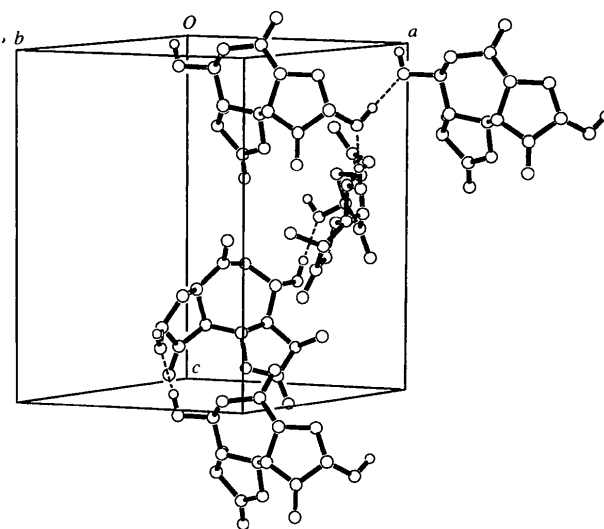


Fig. 2. The packing and hydrogen bonding of the molecule in the unit cell. All H atoms, except for those of the hydroxyl groups, have been omitted for clarity.

cepts a hydrogen bond from O8 (Table 2). Thus, the molecules are linked together by the latter hydrogen bond to form chains running around the 3<sub>2</sub> axes with each chain connected by the former hydrogen bond to form a network (Fig. 2).

**Experimental**

The title compound was isolated as reported previously (Helal *et al.*, 1997). Crystals suitable for X-ray analysis were recrystallized from chloroform (m.p. 442 K).

*Crystal data*C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>4</sub>  
M<sub>r</sub> = 264.32Mo K $\alpha$  radiation  
 $\lambda$  = 0.71069 Å

Trigonal  
*P*3<sub>2</sub>  
*a* = 9.221 (4) Å  
*c* = 14.006 (6) Å  
*V* = 1031.4 (9) Å<sup>3</sup>  
*Z* = 3  
*D<sub>x</sub>* = 1.277 Mg m<sup>-3</sup>  
*D<sub>m</sub>* not measured

Cell parameters from 25 reflections  
 $\theta$  = 10.2–12.0°  
 $\mu$  = 0.092 mm<sup>-1</sup>  
*T* = 293 K  
 Prismatic  
 0.34 × 0.31 × 0.17 mm  
 Colourless

#### Data collection

Rigaku AFC-7R diffractometer  
 $\omega$ -2 $\theta$  scans  
 Absorption correction: none  
 1780 measured reflections  
 1636 independent reflections  
 1150 reflections with *I* > 2 $\sigma$ (*I*)

*R*<sub>int</sub> = 0.029  
 $\theta_{\max}$  = 27.48°  
 $h = -10 \rightarrow 10$   
 $k = 0 \rightarrow 11$   
 $l = 0 \rightarrow 18$   
 3 standard reflections every 150 reflections  
 intensity decay: 0.68%

#### Refinement

Refinement on *F*<sup>2</sup>  
*R*[*F*<sup>2</sup> > 2 $\sigma$ (*F*<sup>2</sup>)] = 0.045  
*wR*(*F*<sup>2</sup>) = 0.121  
*S* = 0.926  
 1636 reflections  
 172 parameters  
 H atoms not refined  
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.1P)^2]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

( $\Delta/\sigma$ )<sub>max</sub> = -0.011  
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.156 \text{ e } \text{Å}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.161 \text{ e } \text{Å}^{-3}$   
 Extinction correction: none  
 Scattering factors from *International Tables for Crystallography* (Vol. C)

Table 1. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °)

C1—C2	1.520 (6)	C2—C3	1.513 (7)
C1—C5	1.566 (5)	C9—C10	1.519 (6)
C1—C10	1.510 (7)		
C2—C1—C5	103.3 (3)	C5—C6—C7	114.4 (3)
C2—C1—C10	115.9 (4)	C6—C7—C8	114.5 (3)
C5—C1—C10	116.5 (3)	C6—C7—C11	103.1 (3)
O3—C3—C2	114.5 (4)	C8—C7—C11	117.3 (3)
O3—C3—C4	110.0 (3)	O8—C8—C7	105.4 (3)
C2—C3—C4	105.1 (3)	O8—C8—C9	109.9 (3)
C1—C5—C4	102.3 (3)	C7—C8—C9	112.5 (3)
C1—C5—C6	108.6 (3)	C7—C11—C12	102.2 (3)
C4—C5—C6	116.1 (3)	C7—C11—C13	117.1 (3)
O6—C6—C5	110.8 (3)	C12—C11—C13	109.4 (4)
O6—C6—C7	103.4 (3)		
O6—C6—C7—C11	-32.3 (4)	C5—C1—C10—C9	38.0 (5)
O6—C12—C11—C7	-12.4 (5)	C5—C6—C7—C8	78.6 (4)
C1—C2—C3—C4	28.8 (4)	C6—O6—C12—C11	-8.6 (5)
C1—C5—C4—C3	-17.3 (4)	C6—C5—C1—C10	39.6 (4)
C1—C5—C6—C7	-91.0 (4)	C6—C7—C8—C9	-54.7 (4)
C1—C10—C9—C8	-89.4 (5)	C6—C7—C11—C12	26.9 (4)
C2—C1—C5—C4	34.6 (4)	C7—C6—O6—C12	25.9 (4)
C2—C3—C4—C5	-6.6 (4)	C7—C8—C9—C10	71.6 (4)
C3—C2—C1—C5	-39.7 (4)		

Table 2. Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °)

<i>D</i> — <i>H</i> ... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> — <i>H</i>	<i>H</i> ... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> ... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> — <i>H</i> ... <i>A</i>
O3—H30...O8 <sup>i</sup>	0.917	1.873	2.739 (5)	156.5
O8—H80...O3 <sup>ii</sup>	0.880	1.912	2.790 (5)	175.3

Symmetry codes: (i) 1 + *x*, *y*, *z*; (ii) 1 - *y*, *x* - *y*, *z* -  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

All H atoms were obtained from difference Fourier synthesis but not refined. Isotropic displacement parameters of the H atoms were set equal to 1.05*U*<sub>eq</sub> of the bonded non-H atom.

Data collection: *MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software* (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1995a). Cell refine-

ment: *MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software*. Data reduction: *TEXSAN* (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1995b). Program(s) used to solve structure: *SIR92* (Altomare *et al.*, 1994). Program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL93* (Sheldrick, 1993). Molecular graphics: *ORTEPII* (Johnson, 1976) and *CHARON* (Lauher, 1989). Software used to prepare material for publication: *TEXSAN*.

Supplementary data for this paper are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: NA1327). Services for accessing these data are described at the back of the journal.

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## Diethyl 3,7-Hypoxanthylidiacetate

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#### Abstract

The title compound, diethyl 6-oxo-6,7-dihydro-3*H*-purine-3,7-diacetate, C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, was obtained by direct alkylation of hypoxanthine using ethyl bromoacetate, in the presence of potassium carbonate; the two alkyl substituents are attached to the heterocycle at positions N3 and N7. Both side chains avoid steric hindrance with the heterocycle, as demonstrated by the torsion angles C2—N3—C15—C16 -68.9(2) and C8—N7—C10—C11 106.8(2)°.