

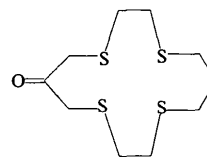
Acta Cryst. (1998). **C54**, 245–247**1,4,8,11-Tetrathiacyclotetradecan-6-one**ALEXANDER J. BLAKE, WAN-SHEUNG LI, LIAM R. SUTTON
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a.j.blake@nottingham.ac.uk**(Received 15 October 1997; accepted 21 November 1997)***Abstract**

Molecules of the title compound, $C_{10}H_{18}OS_4$, adopt the same [3434] conformation as the parent macrocycle 1,4,8,11-tetrathiacyclotetradecane, supporting our conjecture concerning the steric influence of the hydrazone H atoms in some related derivatives. The closest intermolecular contacts are C—H...O distances of 2.61–2.73 Å, which link molecules in linear chains.

Comment

Homoleptic thioether crown macrocycles have been the subject of a large body of work in the field of coordination chemistry by virtue of the propensity of such molecules to act as binding agents for late transition metal ions (Blake & Schröder, 1990; Cooper & Rawle, 1990). Because sulfur is divalent in these moieties, any peripheral alterations must occur on the carbon backbone. The most common method of achieving this is to incorporate functional groups during ring synthesis: these groups can then be transformed as required. Several examples of precursor functional groups have been incorporated into thioether crowns: ketones were introduced independently by the groups of Kellogg (Buter *et al.*, 1991) and Setzer (Setzer *et al.*, 1990). Our work in this field has concentrated on dihydroxy derivatives of thioether crowns and their subsequent functionalization to yield thermotropic mesogens and metallomesogens (Blake *et al.*, 1994, 1996).

Some of our recent work involves the functionalization of the title compound, 1,4,8,11-tetrathiacyclotetradecan-6-one (keto[14]aneS₄), with phenyl hydrazines to form hydrazones (Sutton *et al.*, 1998). One feature of these products is that the macrocyclic cores are highly distorted by comparison with the parent macrocycle 1,4,8,11-tetrathiacyclotetradecane ([14]aneS₄). We argued that the H atom of the hydrazone function was critical in causing these distortions as the ketone derivatives of other sulfur macrocycles (*e.g.* [13]aneS₄) were almost identical in ring conformation to their parent macrocycles (Buter *et al.*, 1991), so the role of *sp*² hybridization was negligible. In order to allow more precise arguments, we undertook a structure determination on keto[14]aneS₄ itself.

keto[14]aneS₄

This determination (Fig. 1) reveals normal bond lengths within the [14]aneS₄ core (Blake & Schröder, 1990) and a C=O distance of 1.205 (3) Å. Atoms C5, C6, O6 and C7 all lie within 0.002 (2) Å of their least-squares plane: this plane forms a dihedral angle of 95.05 (6)° with the S₄ mean plane. Overall, the molecule adopts (Table 1) the same [3434] conformation (Dale, 1973) as the parent macrocycle [14]aneS₄ (DeSimone & Glick, 1976), supporting our conjecture concerning the steric influence of the hydrazone H atoms. The atoms of the macrocyclic ring (*i.e.* all non-H atoms with the exception of O6) are related by a non-crystallographic inversion centre located at (0.755, 0.680, 0.257). Atoms C6, O6 and C13 define a non-crystallographic mirror plane (equation: 0.186*x* + 3.670*y* + 8.814*z* = 1.049), which is markedly inclined to all three pairs of principal faces.

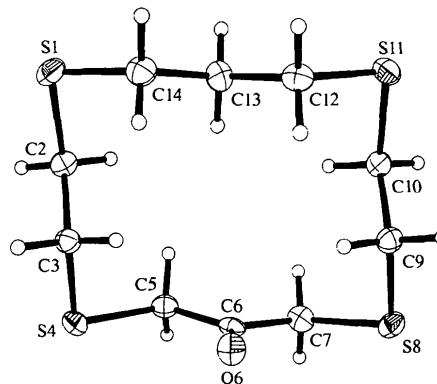


Fig. 1. A view of a molecule of the title compound with the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids enclose 50% probability surfaces and H atoms are shown as spheres of arbitrary radii.

Molecules form stacks parallel to the *a* axis of the unit cell (Fig. 2): the shortest intermolecular contacts within these stacks are three C—H...O distances of 2.61–2.73 Å. The distribution of these contacts does not coincide with the molecular mirror plane in that H7Aⁱ lies 2.73 Å from O6, whereas the pseudo-related H5Bⁱ is only 2.61 Å away. More strikingly, the O6...H10Aⁱ contact of 2.66 Å is much shorter than the O6...H2Bⁱ distance of 3.07 Å [symmetry code: (i) 1 + *x*, *y*, *z*].

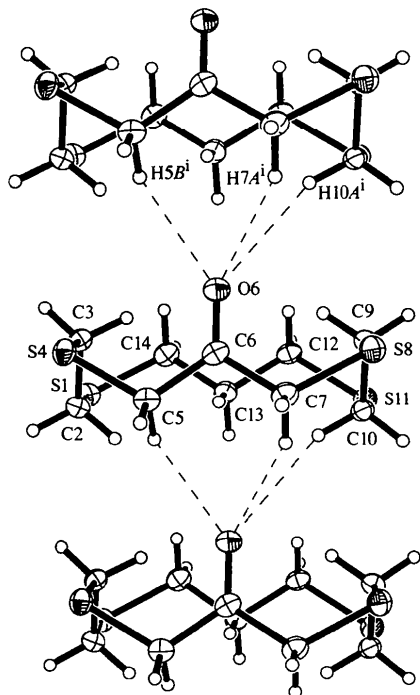


Fig. 2. Part of a chain of molecules running parallel to the *a* axis; O6··H5Bⁱ 2.61, O6··H7Aⁱ 2.73 and O6··H10Aⁱ 2.66 Å. [Symmetry code: (i) 1 + *x*, *y*, *z*.]

Experimental

The title compound was synthesized according to literature methods (Buter *et al.*, 1991). A very large plate (8 × 8 × 0.34 mm) was obtained by slow evaporation from a CHCl₃ solution of the product, and a colourless block suitable for diffraction studies was cut from this plate and mounted in a film of RS3000 perfluoropolyether oil (Hoechst).

Crystal data

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| C ₁₀ H ₁₈ OS ₄ | Mo <i>K</i> α radiation |
| <i>M_r</i> = 282.48 | λ = 0.71073 Å |
| Monoclinic | Cell parameters from 18 reflections |
| <i>P</i> 2 ₁ | θ = 12.5–16.6° |
| <i>a</i> = 4.8789 (10) Å | μ = 0.682 mm ⁻¹ |
| <i>b</i> = 15.011 (3) Å | <i>T</i> = 150 (2) K |
| <i>c</i> = 9.2835 (19) Å | Colourless |
| β = 99.46 (3)° | 0.39 × 0.35 × 0.34 mm |
| <i>V</i> = 670.7 (2) Å ³ | Block |
| <i>Z</i> = 2 | |
| <i>D_x</i> = 1.399 Mg m ⁻³ | |
| <i>D_m</i> not measured | |

Data collection

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| Stoe Stadi-4 four-circle diffractometer with Oxford Cryosystems open-flow cryostat (Cosier & Glazer, 1986) | 1193 reflections with <i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>) |
| ω–θ scans | <i>R</i> _{int} = 0.016 |
| Absorption correction: none | θ _{max} = 25.01° |
| | <i>h</i> = –5 → 5 |
| | <i>k</i> = –17 → 17 |
| | <i>l</i> = –11 → 11 |

3190 measured reflections
1227 independent reflections
(1130 Friedel pairs)

3 standard reflections
frequency: 60 min
intensity variation:
random ±4%

Refinement

Refinement on *F*²
R[*F*² > 2σ(*F*²)] = 0.020
wR(*F*²) = 0.052
S = 1.111
2357 reflections
137 parameters
H atoms: see below
w = 1/[σ²(*F*_o²) + (0.024*P*)² + 0.22*P*]
where *P* = (*F*_o² + 2*F*_c²)/3

(Δ/σ)_{max} = 0.001
Δρ_{max} = 0.18 e Å⁻³
Δρ_{min} = –0.17 e Å⁻³
Extinction correction: none
Scattering factors from *International Tables for Crystallography* (Vol. C)
Absolute structure: Flack (1983)
Flack parameter = 0.13 (8)

Table 1. Selected torsion angles (°)

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|--------------|-------------|-----------------|--------------|
| C14–S1–C2–C3 | 58.14 (17) | C6–C7–S8–C9 | –60.4 (2) |
| S1–C2–C3–S4 | 176.70 (11) | C7–S8–C9–C10 | –62.37 (18) |
| C2–C3–S4–C5 | 69.20 (17) | S8–C9–C10–S11 | –174.53 (11) |
| C3–S4–C5–C6 | 73.43 (19) | C9–C10–S11–C12 | –63.53 (17) |
| S4–C5–C6–O6 | –5.8 (3) | C10–S11–C12–C13 | –66.8 (2) |
| S4–C5–C6–C7 | 174.53 (17) | S11–C12–C13–C14 | –173.12 (17) |
| O6–C6–C7–S8 | –11.2 (3) | C12–C13–C14–S1 | –178.78 (17) |
| C5–C6–C7–S8 | 168.47 (16) | C2–S1–C14–C13 | 58.1 (2) |

Each member of a Friedel pair was treated as an independent observation in the least-squares refinement. H atoms were introduced at geometrically calculated positions and thereafter constrained to ride on their parent C atoms with *U*_{iso}(H) = 1.2*U*_{eq}(C). The presence of four S atoms in the molecule was sufficient to allow reliable estimation of the Flack parameter. The s.u.'s on C–C distances do not exceed 0.003 Å.

Data collection: *STAD14* (Stoe & Cie, 1996a). Cell refinement: *STAD14*. Data reduction: *X-RED* (Stoe & Cie, 1996b). Program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1990). Program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997). Molecular graphics: *SHELXTL/PC* (Sheldrick, 1995). Software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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2'-Hydroxy-3'-methoxy-5'-flavonesulfonic Acid Trihydrate: a New Zwitterion

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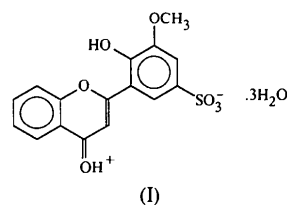
Abstract

The title compound, C₁₆H₁₂O₇S·3H₂O, displays an anionic part, the deprotonated sulfonic acid group, and a cationic part, the protonated carbonyl group, indicative of a zwitterionic structure. These two parts in different molecules are linked by hydrogen bonding involving three water molecules.

Comment

Amino acids are well known zwitterions. Substitution of a carboxylic acid group by a sulfonic acid group gives another type of zwitterion, for example, in sulfanilic acid. Substitution of an amino group by a carbonyl group also gives zwitterions, provided that the carbonyl group is basic enough. This is the case for 2',6'-dimethoxyflavone which can accept Brønsted (Wallet, Gaydou & Baldy, 1989; Tinant, Declercq, Wallet, Gaydou & Baldy, 1991; Wallet, Cody, Wojtczak & Blessing, 1993; Wallet, Cody & Wojtczak, 1994) as well as Lewis acids (Maniukiewicz, Molins, Miravittles, Wallet & Gaydou, 1996). In the title compound, (I), sim-

ilar S—O lengths [1.441 (2), 1.443 (2) and 1.445 (2) Å] and O—S—O bond angles [111.92 (10), 112.91 (11) and 112.96 (11)°] clearly show the deprotonation of the sulfonic acid group. An H atom (H4) was located near the carbonyl O atom as the highest peak in a difference Fourier map. To assure this assignment, its isotropic displacement was refined independently (0.077 Å²). The structure contains an anionic part, the deprotonated sulfonic acid group, and a cationic part, the protonated carbonyl group.



Molecules are not directly bound through carbonyl and sulfonic acid groups. The bonding is mediated by hydrogen bonding in the three water molecules. Each water molecule is engaged in three hydrogen bonds. OW1 is bound to two sulfonyl O atoms belonging to two different flavone molecules and also to a water molecule. OW2 is involved in a similar hydrogen-bonding scheme. OW3 is bound to OW2 and OW1, and to the carbonyl O atom. The sulfonyl O atoms are engaged in different hydrogen bonds, O51 has only one bond with OW2, O52 is hydrogen bonded to two water molecules, and O53 is bound to the water molecule OW1 and to the hydroxyl group of the flavone. Hydrates of sulfonic acids form various cationic water species. In the case of trihydrates, H₇O₃⁺ (Mootz & Fayos, 1970;

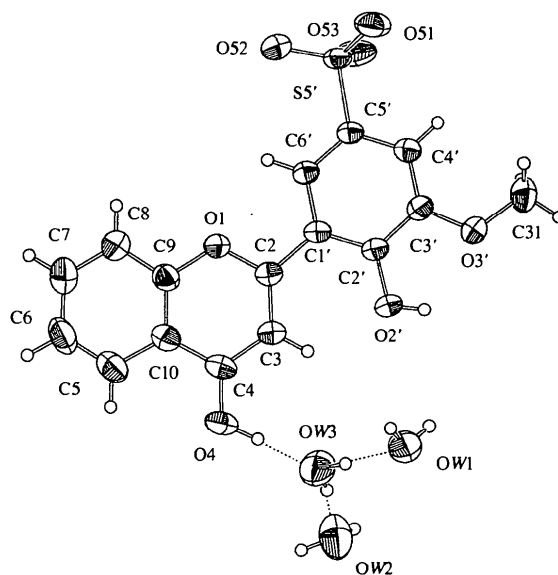


Fig. 1. The molecular structure of the title compound showing 50% probability displacement ellipsoids.