

Compound (3b)*Crystal data*C₂₇H₂₅ClN₄O₂*M_r* = 472.98

Monoclinic

*P*2₁/*c**a* = 12.985 (1) Å*b* = 14.036 (2) Å*c* = 13.314 (3) Å β = 102.7 (3)°*V* = 2368 (4) Å³*Z* = 4*D_x* = 1.33 Mg m⁻³*D_m* not measuredMo *K*α radiation λ = 0.71073 Å

Cell parameters from 25 reflections

 θ = 11–16° μ = 0.190 mm⁻¹*T* = 294 K

Prism

0.60 × 0.50 × 0.30 mm

Yellow

Data collection

Enraf–Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer

 $\theta/2\theta$ scans

Absorption correction: none

5058 measured reflections

4847 independent reflections

2659 reflections with

I > 2.5σ(*I*)*R*_{int} = 0.026 θ_{\max} = 26°*h* = -15 → 15*k* = 0 → 17*l* = 0 → 16

3 standard reflections

frequency: 120 min

intensity decay: 0.2%

*Refinement*Refinement on *F**R* = 0.049*wR* = 0.065*S* = 1.877

2659 reflections

308 parameters

H atoms not refined

 $w = 4F_o^2 / [\sigma^2(F_o^2) + 0.0025F_o^4]$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.006$ $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.331 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$ $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.301 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

Extinction correction:

isotropic (Zachariasen, 1963)

Extinction coefficient:

 0.48×10^{-6} Scattering factors from *International Tables for X-ray Crystallography* (Vol. IV)

Table 2. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °) for (3b)

N2—N3	1.387 (4)	N11—C3a	1.481 (4)
N2—C1	1.275 (4)	N11—C10a	1.448 (4)
N3—C3a	1.501 (4)	C3a—C4	1.542 (4)
N6—C5	1.281 (4)	C4—C5	1.510 (4)
N6—C6a	1.409 (4)	C6a—C10a	1.384 (4)
N11—C1	1.387 (4)		
N3—N2—C1	107.2 (2)	N3—C3a—N11	98.7 (2)
N2—N3—C3a	110.8 (2)	N3—C3a—C4	113.0 (2)
C5—N6—C6a	118.9 (3)	N11—C3a—C4	111.6 (2)
C1—N11—C3a	107.3 (2)	C3a—C4—C5	111.2 (2)
C1—N11—C10a	122.9 (3)	N6—C5—C4	121.7 (3)
C3a—N11—C10a	117.1 (2)	N6—C6a—C10a	123.2 (3)
N2—C1—N11	114.6 (3)	N11—C10a—C6a	120.0 (3)

For both compounds, data collection: *CAD-4 Operations Manual* (Enraf–Nonius, 1989); cell refinement: *CAD-4 Operations Manual*; data reduction: *BEGIN* in *SDP-Plus* (Frenz, 1985); program(s) used to solve structures: *MULTAN80* (Main *et al.*, 1980); program(s) used to refine structures: *LSFM* in *SDP-Plus*; molecular graphics: *ORTEPII* (Johnson, 1976); software used to prepare material for publication: *CIF VAX* in *MolEN* (Fair, 1990).

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17 α -(4-Chlorobenzoyloxy)-3-methoxy-13 α -gona-1,3,5(10)-trien \dagger

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Abstract

The hydroboration of 3-methoxy-18-norestra-1,3,5(10)-13(18)-tetraene in an anti-Markovnikov sense leads to the formation of two diastereomeric alcohols which have been separated by high-performance liquid chromatography or fractional crystallization of their 17-*p*-chlorobenzoates. The assignment of the absolute configuration of the title compound, C₂₅H₂₇ClO₃, has been carried out by X-ray analysis.

\dagger IUPAC name: 3-methoxy-13 α -gona-1,3,5(10)-trien-17 α -yl 4-chlorobenzoate.

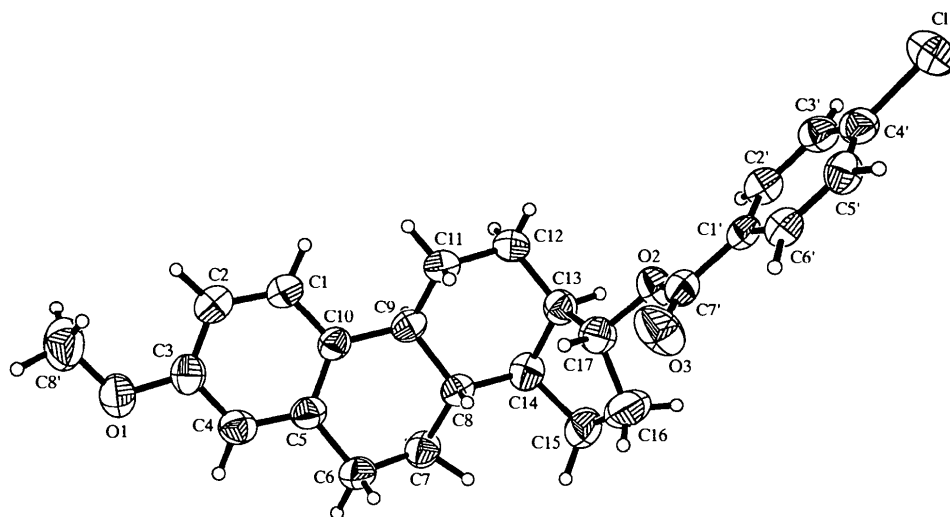
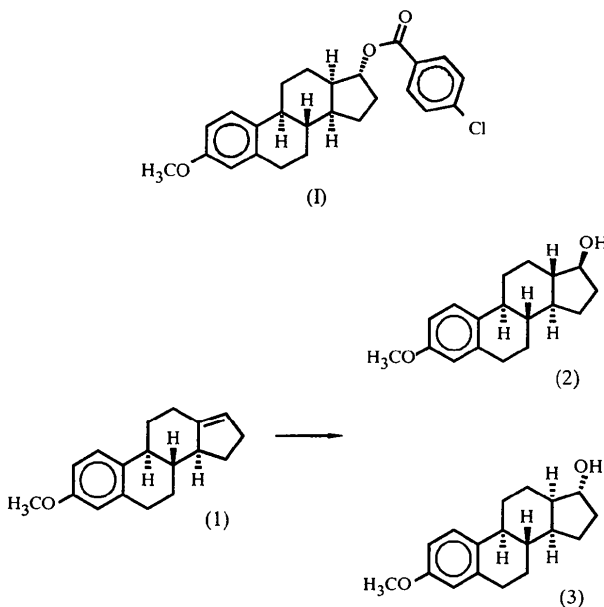


Fig. 1. View of the title compound showing the labelling of all non-H atoms. Displacement ellipsoids are shown at 50% probability levels. H atoms are drawn as circles of arbitrary radii.

Comment

In an attempted synthesis of 18-norestradiol, the diastereomeric alcohols (2) and (3) were produced in ten steps starting from estrone (Kuhl *et al.*, 1998). In order to determine the molecular structure of these alcohols, an X-ray analysis was required, since the unambiguous identification of each diastereomer using NMR techniques failed. With their 17-*p*-chlorobenzoates, modified derivatives were found which allow separation, as well as satisfying crystallization, resulting in the title compound, (I).



The structure of (I) (Fig. 1) displays a *cis* annulation of the *D* ring, indicated by a surprisingly large H13—

C13—C14—H14 torsion angle of -45.7° and an α configuration at the oxygenated C17 atom, which is secured through an O2—C17—C13—H13 torsion angle of 43.2° , demonstrating a *cis* relationship. The dihedral angle between the best planes [maximum deviation from planarity of $0.015(4) \text{ \AA}$] through the steroidal phenyl ring and the phenyl ring of the benzyloxy moiety is $88.1(1)^\circ$. There are no hydrogen bonds.

Experimental

The hydroboration was accomplished by refluxing a solution of tetraene (1) in benzene with two equivalents of neat catecholborane (Brown & Gupta, 1971) under promotion of 10 mol% of LiBH₄ (Arase *et al.*, 1991). Thereafter, oxidative work-up with alkaline H₂O₂ solution (Brown & Gupta, 1975) and column chromatography provided alcohols (2) and (3), which were separated by high-performance liquid chromatography or derivatization. Esterification with *p*-chlorobenzoyl chloride and repeated crystallization from methanol and once from diethyl ether at room temperature gave the pure title compound (m.p. 440–441 K). The second isomer, with 13 β -H and 17 β -chlorobenzoyloxy-, could not be crystallized, even though the latter material appears of higher interest because of its putative biological activity.

Crystal data

C₂₅H₂₇ClO₃
M_r = 410.92
 Orthorhombic
*P*2₁2₁2₁
a = 5.4759 (7) Å
b = 7.4682 (6) Å
c = 50.997 (5) Å
V = 2085.5 (4) Å³
Z = 4
D_s = 1.309 Mg m⁻³
D_m not measured

Cu *K*α radiation
 λ = 1.54178 Å
 Cell parameters from 25 reflections
 θ = 35–44°
 μ = 1.806 mm⁻¹
T = 298 (2) K
 Plate
 0.51 × 0.16 × 0.03 mm
 Colourless

Data collection

Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.059$
ω - 2θ scans	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 74.91^\circ$
Absorption correction: none	$h = -4 \rightarrow 6$
3143 measured reflections	$k = -5 \rightarrow 9$
2862 independent reflections	$l = -37 \rightarrow 63$
2281 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$	3 standard reflections
	frequency: 60 min
	intensity decay: 5%

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = -0.004$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.060$	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.390 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
$wR(F^2) = 0.175$	$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.338 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
$S = 1.044$	Extinction correction: none
2860 reflections	Scattering factors from
282 parameters	<i>International Tables for</i>
Only H-atom U 's refined	<i>Crystallography</i> (Vol. C)
$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.1106P)^2 + 0.4663P]$	Absolute structure:
where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$	Flack (1983)
	Flack parameter = 0.01 (4)

Table 1. Selected torsion angles ($^\circ$)

C10—C5—C6—C7	-21.5 (6)	C11—C12—C13—C14	45.9 (5)
C5—C6—C7—C8	50.2 (5)	C12—C13—C14—C8	-45.4 (5)
C6—C7—C8—C9	-63.9 (5)	C17—C13—C14—C15	-40.5 (4)
C7—C8—C9—C10	47.4 (5)	C9—C8—C14—C13	52.3 (4)
C14—C8—C9—C11	-60.8 (5)	C13—C14—C15—C16	27.8 (6)
C6—C5—C10—C9	5.9 (6)	C14—C15—C16—C17	-4.5 (7)
C8—C9—C10—C5	-19.2 (6)	C14—C13—C17—C16	38.6 (5)
C8—C9—C11—C12	60.8 (5)	C15—C16—C17—C13	-21.0 (6)
C9—C11—C12—C13	-53.0 (5)		

Since μx had a value of 0.29, an absorption correction was not considered necessary. H atoms were located from difference Fourier syntheses and refined with a riding model (including free rotation about O—C).

Data collection: *CAD-4 Software* (Enraf–Nonius, 1989). Cell refinement: *CELSIUS* (Svenson, 1974). Data reduction: *CORINC* (Dräger & Gattow, 1971). Program(s) used to solve structure: *SIR92* (Altomare *et al.*, 1994). Program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL93* (Sheldrick, 1993). Molecular graphics: *SHELXTL-Plus* (Sheldrick, 1991). Software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL93* and *PARST95* (Nardelli, 1995).

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***P,P*-Dichloro-*N*-(dichlorophosphinoyl)-*P*-(diisopropylamino)monophosphazene**

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Abstract

The title compound, $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{14}\text{Cl}_4\text{N}_2\text{OP}_2$, has an acyclic monophosphazene skeleton and a bulky diisopropylamino side group. The bulky substituent is instrumental in determining the molecular geometry. The P—N bonds have neither single- nor double-bond character and are substantially shorter than the ideal P—N single bond. The P—N—P angle [$134.0(2)^\circ$] is similar to the angle found in cyclotetraphosphazenes, but wider than that in cyclotriphosphazenes.

Comment

Over the past decade, the reactions of *P,P,P*-trichloro-*N*-(dichlorophosphinoyl)monophosphazene, $\text{Cl}_2\text{P}(\text{O})\text{N}=\text{P}-\text{Cl}_3$, (1), with amines have been investigated extensively (Kılıç *et al.*, 1989, 1991, 1994; Bulloch & Keat, 1979). Thermolysis of compound (1) leads to the elimination of phosphorus oxychloride, $\text{P}(\text{O})\text{Cl}_3$, and polydichlorophosphazene, $(\text{NPCl}_2)_n$ (D'halluin *et al.*, 1992). Polydichlorophosphazene is used to obtain linear polyorganophosphazenes. The reaction of (1) with bulky diisopropylamine yield partial aminolysis products $\text{Cl}_2\text{P}(\text{O})\text{N}=\text{P}-\text{Cl}_2\{\text{N}[\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2]_2\}$, (2), and $\text{Cl}_2\text{P}(\text{O})\text{N}=\text{P}-\text{Cl}\{\text{N}[\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2]_2\}_2$, (3). The X-ray crystal structure of (3) has been determined previously, confirming the geminal structure (Kılıç *et al.*, 1994). The structure determination of compound (2) was undertaken in order to understand the effect of a single bulky diisopropylamino group on the P=N double bond and also to compare the obtained results with those of compounds