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There is an intramolecular N—H···O hydrogen bond with O1···H1(-x, 1-y, 1-z) = 2.05 (4) Å. The sixmembered ring adopts a twist conformation with asymmetry parameters (Nardelli, 1983*a*)  $\Delta C_2$ (C10—N1) = 0.005 (2) and  $\Delta C_2$ (C11) = 0.073 (2).

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# 5-Methoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-phenyl-3,4dihydro-2(1*H*)-pyridone†

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## Abstract

Crystals of the title compound,  $C_{14}H_{15}NO_3$  are stabilized by intermolecular hydrogen bonds between the NH group and one O atom of the carbonyl group. The sixmembered ring adopts a twist conformation and the lactone ring a planar conformation.

# Comment

Much effort has been devoted to the synthesis of 1,4-dihydropyridines (1,4-DHPs) because their calcium antagonist effect is useful in the treatment of cardiovascular diseases (Bossert & Vater, 1989). The presence of an aryl group on C-4 and ester groups on C-3 and C-5 of the 1,4-DHP ring has proved to be a basic requirement for pharmacological activity (Goldmann & Stoltefuss, 1991).

There are no unusual intermolecular or intramolecular distances or angles in the title compound, (I).



† Alternative name: methyl 1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-2-methyl-6-oxo-4-phenylpyridine-3-carboxylate.



Fig. 1. A view of (I) showing the atomic numbering. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.

### Experimental

The title compound was prepared in a two-step procedure from readily available 3,4-dihydro-2(1H)-pyridones by reaction with the Vilsmeir–Haack reagent (Verdecia *et al.*, 1995). Crystals suitable for X-ray analysis were obtained by slow evaporation from ethanol.

Crystal data  $C_{14}H_{15}NO_{3}$ Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  $M_r = 245.28$  $\lambda = 0.71069 \text{ Å}$ Orthorhombic Cell parameters from 25 Pbca reflections a = 8.983 (2) Å $\theta = 3 - 25^{\circ}$ b = 21.125 (4) Å $\mu = 0.0918 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ c = 13.196(3) Å T = 293(2) K V = 2504.1 (9) Å<sup>3</sup> Prismatic  $0.15\,\times\,0.11\,\times\,0.05$  mm Z = 8 $D_x = 1.301 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Yellow  $D_m$  not measured Data collection

Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer  $\omega$ -2 $\theta$  scans Absorption correction: none 2870 measured reflections 2200 independent reflections 960 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$  R(F) = 0.050  $wR(F^2) = 0.10$ S = 1.165  $R_{int} = 0.041$   $\theta_{max} = 25.0^{\circ}$   $h = -1 \rightarrow 10$   $k = -1 \rightarrow 25$   $l = -15 \rightarrow 1$ 2 standard reflections every 100 reflections intensity decay: <5%

 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.059$   $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.203 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$   $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.158 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ Extinction correction: none 2200 reflections 223 parameters All H-atom parameters refined  $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0428P)^2 + 0.2855P]$ where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$  Scattering factors from International Tables for X-ray Crystallography (Vol. C, Tables 4.2.6.8 and 6.1.1.4)

Table 1. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °)

N1-C9	1.362 (6)	C4—C5	1.393 (8)
N1-C10	1.403 (6)	C5-C6	1.385 (6)
O1-C9	1.227 (6)	C6—C7	1.522 (6)
O2-C12	1.323 (6)	C7—C8	1.524 (7)
O2—C13	1.445 (7)	C7—C11	1.522 (6)
O3-C12	1.189 (6)	C8—C9	1.493 (7)
C1—C2	1.380 (8)	C10-C11	1.339 (6)
C1—C6	1.384 (7)	C10-C14	1.491 (7)
C2—C3	1.366 (8)	C11-C12	1.469 (6)
C3—C4	1.34 (1)		
C9—N1—C10	125.5 (4)	C7-C8-C9	114.7 (4)
C12—O2—C13	116.6 (4)	O1-C9-C8	124.1 (4)
C2-C1-C6	121.7 (5)	N1-C9-C8	115.2 (4)
C1—C2—C3	120.0 (5)	N1-C9-01	120.7 (4)
C2—C3—C4	119.3 (6)	N1-C10-C14	111.9 (4)
C3—C4—C5	121.9 (6)	N1-C10-C11	119.4 (4)
C4—C5—C6	119.7 (4)	C11-C10-C14	128.7 (4)
C1-C6-C5	117.5 (4)	C7-C11-C10	120.4 (4)
С5—С6—С7	120.8 (4)	C10-C11-C12	121.0 (4)
C1—C6—C7	121.7 (4)	C7-C11-C12	118.6 (4)
C6—C7—C11	112.8 (3)	O3-C12-C11	127.0 (4)
C6—C7—C8	111.8 (4)	02-C12-C11	112.0 (4)
C8—C7—C11	110.0 (4)	02 - C12 - O3	121.0 (4)

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

$D$ — $H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	D—H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D$ — $\mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot \mathbf{A}$	
N1—H···O1 <sup>i</sup>	0.86 (4)	2.05 (4)	2.903 (5)	179 (4)	
Symmetry code: (i) $-x, 1 - y, 1 - z$ .					

The structure was solved by direct methods

Data collection: CAD-4 Software (Enraf-Nonius, 1992). Cell refinement: CRYSDA (DIRDIF; Beurskens et al., 1992). Data reduction: REFLEX (local program). Program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS86 (Sheldrick, 1990). Program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL93 (Sheldrick, 1993). Molecular graphics: SHELXTL-Plus (Sheldrick, 1991). Software used to prepare material for publication: PARST (Nardelli, 1983b); PARSTCIF (Nardelli, 1992).

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# *N*-Borane-*N*-(trimethylsilyl)morpholine

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# Abstract

The title compound,  $C_7H_{20}BNOSi$ , features an *N*,*N*-disubstituted six-membered morpholine ring in a chair conformation, with the trimethylsilyl group in the equatorial position and the borane group in the axial position. The least-squares plane formed by the four C atoms of the morpholine ring has a mean deviation of 0.013 (2) Å. The O and N atoms are 0.672 (2) and 0.650 (2) Å above and below the plane, respectively.

#### Comment

Borane-THF and borane dimethyl sulfide (BMS) are the most frequently used laboratory borane sources for hydroboration and other borane conversions (Brown, 1975; Soderquist, 1994). Both are safe and more convenient to handle than gaseous diborane. However, there are disadvantages of the use of either borane-THF or BMS as a borane source. For instance, concentrated solutions (>2M) of borane-THF are unstable and can lose diborane. Moreover, the dimethyl sulfide complex is a foul-smelling liquid and dimethyl sulfide can contaminate the reaction solvents making their recovery difficult. As part of our efforts at developing new hydroborating agents, we carried out a reaction between gaseous diborane and N-(trimethylsilyl)morpholine in diethyl ether at 233 K yielding the title compound, (I), as the only product. In principle, two conformational isomers may exist with either one of the two different Nsubstituents occupying the axial or equatorial positions.