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Two 5-oxa-2,6-diazaspiro[3.4]octan-1-one derivatives from the [3+2] cycloaddition of methylenelactams with nitrones

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The two title 5-oxa-2,6-diazaspiro[3.4]octan-1-one adducts, 7benzoyl-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-phenyl-5-oxa-2,6-diazaspiro[3.4]octan-1-one, $C_{25}H_{22}N_2O_4$, (III), and 6-*tert*-butyl-2-(4methylphenyl)-7-phenyl-5-oxa-2,6-diazaspiro[3.4]octan-1-one, $C_{22}H_{26}N_2O_2$, (IV), were obtained from a stereospecific [3+2] 1,3-cycloaddition of 3-methylene azetidin-2-ones as dipolarophiles with nitrones. The lactam ring is conjugated with the *p*-methoxyphenyl or *p*-methylphenyl moiety. The envelope conformations of the isoxazolidine rings in (III) and (IV) are different, leading the substituents to be pseudo-axial in (III) and pseudo-equatorial in (IV).

Comment

Spirocompounds which incorporate highly strained methylenelactam moieties were unknown compounds at the begining of our work. In a preliminary communication (Rigolet *et al.*, 1998), it was shown that 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition of nitrones



and 3-methylene isoindolones proceeded with low stereoselectivity. Nevertheless, complete stereospecificity was possible when 3-methylene azetidin-2-ones, (I), were reacted as dipolarophiles. The present X-ray study was undertaken to elucidate the geometry of the title bicyclic adducts, (III) and (IV). The structures are depicted with the atom-labelling schemes in Fig. 1 and Fig. 2, respectively.



Figure 1

Perspective view of the molecule of (III) showing 30% probability displacement ellipsoids. H atoms are drawn as spheres of arbitrary radii.

In both (III) and (IV), the lactam ring (2-azetidinone) is planar [maximum deviation 0.027 (2) Å for (III) and 0.045 (3) Å for (IV)] and is conjugated with the *p*-methoxyphenyl or *p*-methylphenyl substituent at N2. The dihedral angle between the two best mean planes (phenyl/azetidinone) is 16.7 (2)° in (III) and 12.2 (4)° in (IV). The folding occurs at atom N2 which appears slightly tetrahedral, being 0.101 (2) Å and 0.054 (5) Å out of the plane of atoms C3, C1 and C10 in (III) and (IV), respectively.

The conformations of the two molecules differ essentially by the conformations of the isoxazolidine rings. These fivemembered rings adopt a different envelope conformation, where C7 is displaced by -0.542 (3) Å in (III) and 0.580 (8) Å in (IV) out of the best mean plane passing through atoms O5, C4, C8 and N6, the sign of the displacement being correlated with the positive distance of O9 from the mean plane. The substituents at N6 and C7 are pseudo-axial in (III) and pseudo-equatorial in (IV). The possible transition state of the cycloaddition process may be clearly depicted from this structure.







Experimental

Compounds (III) and (IV) were obtained from dipolar cycloadditions of (I) and (II) in toluene at 353 K. Crystals were isolated by recrystallization from ethanol solutions.

Compound (III)

Crystal data

 $\begin{array}{l} C_{25}H_{22}N_2O_4\\ M_r=414.45\\ Monoclinic, P2_1/n\\ a=9.368~(5)~\text{\AA}\\ b=19.776~(7)~\text{\AA}\\ c=11.484~(8)~\text{\AA}\\ \beta=101.92~(4)^\circ\\ V=2082~(2)~\text{\AA}^3\\ Z=4 \end{array}$

Data collection

Enraf–Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer $\theta/2\theta$ scans 6167 measured reflections 3711 independent reflections 2276 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $R_{int} = 0.043$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.050$ $wR(F^2) = 0.120$ S = 1.078 3711 reflections 282 parameters H atoms constrained $D_x = 1.322 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Cu K\alpha radiation Cell parameters from 25 reflections $\theta = 9.6-18.2^{\circ}$ $\mu = 0.735 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 293 (2) K

Prism, colourless

 $0.36 \times 0.20 \times 0.13 \text{ mm}$

 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 66.95^{\circ}$ $h = -11 \rightarrow 10$ $k = -20 \rightarrow 23$ $l = 0 \rightarrow 13$ 3 standard reflections frequency: 120 min intensity decay: 2% $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_{\rho}^{2}) + (0.0724P)^2]$

+ 0.164P]
where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = -0.013$
$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.21 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.19 \mathrm{e}\mathrm{\AA}^{-3}$
Extinction correction: SHELXL93
(Sheldrick, 1993)
Extinction coefficient: 0.0026 (4)

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °) for (III).

C1-O9	1.212 (3)	C4-O5	1.438 (3)
C1-N2	1.361 (3)	O5-N6	1.452 (2)
C1-C4	1.548 (3)	N6-C7	1.474 (3)
N2-C10	1.408 (3)	C7-C8	1.520 (3)
N2-C3	1.475 (3)	C4-C8	1.527 (3)
C3-C4	1.532 (3)		. ,
N2-C1-C4	90.9 (2)	N2-C3-C4	87.4 (2)
C1-N2-C3	95.5 (2)	C1-C4-C3	86.0 (2)
O9-C1-N2-C10	15.1 (4)	O5-C4-C8-C7	11.2 (2)
N2-C3-C4-O5	120.4 (2)	C3-N2-C10-C11	5.8 (4)
N2-C3-C4-C8	-115.1(2)	C1-N2-C10-C15	-10.5(4)
C8-C4-O5-N6	13.5 (2)	C12-C13-O16-C17	-22.1(5)
C4-O5-N6-C26	91.6 (2)	C8-C7-C18-O19	-12.7(3)
C4-O5-N6-C7	-33.3(2)	O19-C18-C20-C21	0.9 (4)
O5-N6-C7-C8	39.5 (2)	O5-N6-C26-C27	-165.0(2)
N6-C7-C8-C4	-31.3(2)		

Compound (IV)

Crystal data

$C_{22}H_{26}N_2O_2$	Z = 2
$M_r = 350.45$	$D_x = 1.170 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
Triclinic, P1	Cu Ka radiation
a = 6.272 (2) Å	Cell parameters from 25
b = 10.687 (3) Å	reflections
c = 15.327 (4) Å	$\theta = 9.2 - 19.1^{\circ}$
$\alpha = 103.39 \ (2)^{\circ}$	$\mu = 0.593 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\beta = 87.79 \ (3)^{\circ}$	T = 293 (2) K
$\gamma = 95.62 \ (2)^{\circ}$	Prism, colourless
$V = 994.5 (5) \text{ Å}^3$	$0.20 \times 0.20 \times 0.06 \text{ mm}$

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Enraf–Nonius CAD-4 diffract-
ometer
\theta/2\theta scans
7202 measured reflections
3554 independent reflections
1374 reflections with I > 2\sigma(I)
R_{\text{int}} = 0.096
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Refinement

Refinement on F^2 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.083$ $wR(F^2) = 0.218$ S = 1.1673548 reflections 236 parameters H-atom parameters constrained

Table 2

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °) for (IV).

C1-O9	1.207 (6)	C4-O5	1.418 (5)
C1-N2	1.370 (6)	C4-C8	1.500(7)
C1-C4	1.527 (7)	O5-N6	1.465 (5)
N2-C10	1.388 (6)	N6-C7	1.485 (6)
N2-C3	1.473 (6)	C7-C8	1.528 (6)
C3-C4	1.537 (6)		
N2-C1-C4	92.1 (4)	N2-C3-C4	87.9 (4)
C1-N2-C3	94.0 (4)	C1-C4-C3	85.5 (4)
O9-C1-N2-C10	8.9 (11)	O5-N6-C7-C8	-34.9(5)
N2-C3-C4-O5	121.0 (5)	N6-C7-C8-C4	37.7 (5)
N2-C3-C4-C8	-112.0(5)	C3-N2-C10-C11	4.9 (8)
C8-C4-O5-N6	5.0 (5)	C1-N2-C10-C15	-3.3(9)
C4-O5-N6-C23	146.3 (4)	C8-C7-C17-C18	-65.7(7)
C4-O5-N6-C7	19.6 (5)	O5-N6-C23-C24	-178.1 (4)

 $\theta_{\rm max} = 67.14^\circ$

 $h = -7 \rightarrow 7$

 $k = -12 \rightarrow 12$

 $l=-18\rightarrow 18$

3 standard reflections

frequency: 120 min

intensity decay: 6%

 $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

 $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.27 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$

(Sheldrick, 1993)

 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.005$ $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.23 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$

 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.1516P)^2]$ where

Extinction correction: SHELXL93

Extinction coefficient: 0.0005 (9)

The coordinates of the methyl H atoms on C17 in (III) were refined isotropically. All other H atoms were treated as riding.

For both compounds, data collection: *CAD-4 Software* (Enraf-Nonius, 1987); cell refinement: *CAD-4 Software*; data reduction: *NONIUS* (Riche, 1989); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS*86 (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL*93 (Sheldrick, 1993); molecular graphics: *R3M* (Riche, 1983) and *ORTEP* (Johnson, 1965).

Supplementary data for this paper are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: GS1071). Services for accessing these data are described at the back of the journal.

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