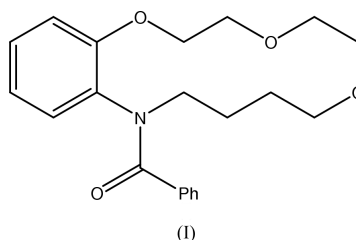


12-Benzoyl-2,3,5,6,9,10,11,12-octahydro-8H-
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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
T = 123 K
Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.002 \text{ \AA}$
R factor = 0.050
wR factor = 0.114
Data-to-parameter ratio = 22.8For details of how these key indicators were
automatically derived from the article, see
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.The title compound, $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{25}\text{NO}_4$, is the benzoyl derivative of a
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Comment

Incorporation of N-donor atoms into the macrocyclic frame-
work of crown ethers gives aza-crown analogues which can
display increased binding strength and selectivity towards
transition and post-transition metal ions (Bradshaw *et al.*,
1996). We have reported the preparation of a range of benzo-
aza-crown ethers by a protocol involving reductive cyclization
of nitroarenes bearing aldehyde-containing side chains
(Ventrice *et al.*, 1999, 2001). An X-ray structure determina-
tion of the benzoyl derivative, (I), was undertaken to establish the
conformation of this compound (Fig. 1).

Experimental

Sodium hydroxide (10% aq.) (10 ml) was added to 2,3,5,6,9,10,11,12-
octahydro-8H-1,4,7,12-benzotrioxaazacyclotetradecine (50 mg,
0.20 mmol) dissolved in THF (10 ml). This mixture was allowed to stir
for 10 min, benzoyl chloride (56 mg, 0.40 mmol) was added dropwise
and the resulting mixture was allowed to stir for 24 h. The reaction
was poured into water (50 ml) and extracted into CH_2Cl_2 ($3 \times 50 \text{ ml}$),
dried (Na_2SO_4), filtered and the solvent was removed under reduced
pressure to give a yellow oil. Excess benzoyl chloride was removed on
the a high vacuum pump. Column chromatography of the residue
(SiO_2 , 20% EtOAc/hexane) gave amide (I) as a yellow oil which
solidified on standing (70 mg, 99%). Dichloromethane (10 ml) was
added to the amide and single crystals suitable for X-ray structure
determination were obtained by slow evaporation of the solvent; m.p:
415.4–417.6 K.

Crystal data

 $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{25}\text{NO}_4$
 $M_r = 355.42$
Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$
 $a = 16.825 (1) \text{ \AA}$
 $b = 13.550 (1) \text{ \AA}$
 $c = 8.173 (1) \text{ \AA}$
 $\beta = 95.02 (1)^\circ$
 $V = 1856.1 (3) \text{ \AA}^3$
 $Z = 4$ $D_x = 1.272 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Cell parameters from 25 477
reflections
 $\theta = 2.4\text{--}30.0^\circ$
 $\mu = 0.09 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
 $T = 123 (2) \text{ K}$
Tabular, colourless
 $0.22 \times 0.16 \times 0.09 \text{ mm}$

Data collection

Nonius KappaCCD diffractometer
 CCD rotation images, thick-slice
 scans
 25 477 measured reflections
 5351 independent reflections
 3438 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

$R_{\text{int}} = 0.056$
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 30.1^\circ$
 $h = -23 \rightarrow 23$
 $k = -18 \rightarrow 18$
 $l = -11 \rightarrow 11$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.050$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.114$
 $S = 1.04$
 5351 reflections
 235 parameters
 H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0485P)^2 + 0.2125P]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.19 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.23 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

Data collection: *COLLECT* (Nonius, 1997–2000); cell refinement: *HKL SCALEPACK* (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997); data reduction: *HKL DENZO* (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997) and *SCALEPACK*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEP-3 for Windows* (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *WinGX* (Farrugia, 1999).

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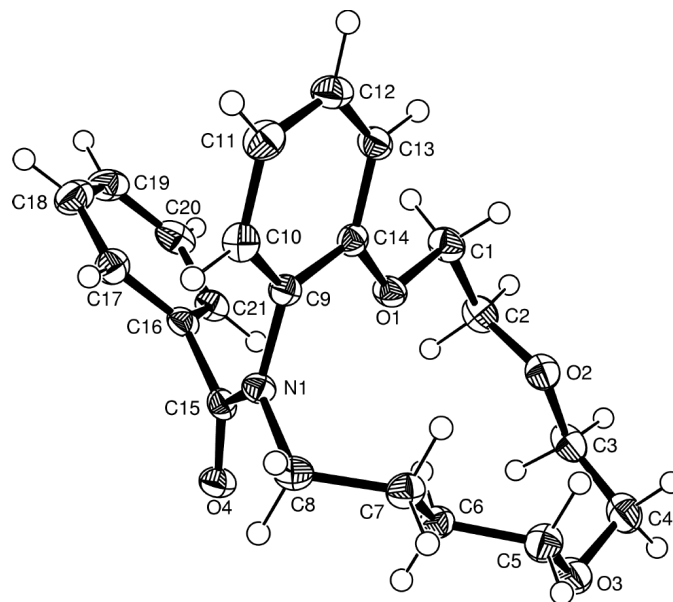


Figure 1
 View of (I) (50% probability displacement ellipsoids).

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