

(2*S*)-1-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-hydroxy-2-[(2*S*,5*R*)-5-(1-hydroxy-1-methylethyl)-tetrahydrofuran-2-yl]ethanone**Simon J. Coles* and Michael B. Hursthouse**

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The title compound, C₁₅H₁₉BrO₄, was synthesized during studies on the oxidation of 1,5-dienes. The molecular structure exhibits *R* and *S* chiral centres at the 2- and 5- positions on the central tetrahydrofuran moiety, and an *S* centre at the hydroxyethanone pivot atom. Intermolecular hydrogen bonding gives rise to a one-dimensional-chain structure.

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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study

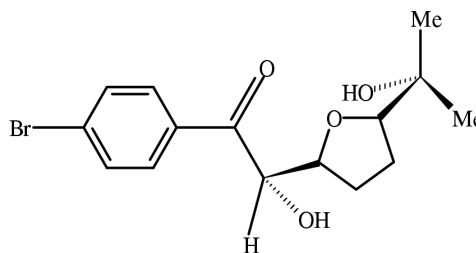
T = 120 KMean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.015 \text{ \AA}$ *R* factor = 0.069*wR* factor = 0.193

Data-to-parameter ratio = 10.0

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Comment

During the development of chiral phase-transfer catalysed permanganate oxidations of 1,5-dienes the title compound, (I), was prepared (Brown & Keily, 2001). The molecular structure is shown in Fig. 1. The structure is composed of a tetrahydrofuran (thf) ring substituted at the 2- and 5-positions by bromophenylhydroxyethanone and hydroxymethylethyl groups, respectively. The geometric parameters conform to standard values derived from a systematic study of similarly hybridized atoms in the Cambridge Structural Database (Allen & Kennard, 1993; Allen *et al.*, 1992).



(I)

The 2 position in the thf ring (C7) exhibits *R* chirality and the 5 position (C4) is *S*, whilst C8 is a centre of chirality (= *S*). The thf ring exhibits an envelope conformation about C5. Hydrogen bonding exists between the two hydroxyl groups in the structure where the donor–acceptor distance of O3–H3···O1ⁱ is 2.722 (6) Å [symmetry code: (i) $-x + 1, y + \frac{1}{2}, -z + \frac{5}{2}$]. Moreover, the hydroxyl group involving O3 is involved in a second, weaker intermolecular hydrogen bond, with a donor–acceptor distance C8–H8···O3ⁱ of 3.475 Å. These interactions form a one-dimensional-chain network in the crystal structure.

Experimental

(*E*)-1-(4-Bromophenyl)-7-methylocta-2,6-dien-1-one was oxidized by potassium permanganate under solid–liquid phase-transfer conditions using a chiral quaternary ammonium salt. Following a standard work-up and column chromatography, the product was recrystallized from ethanol/hexane to give colourless crystals of the title compound.

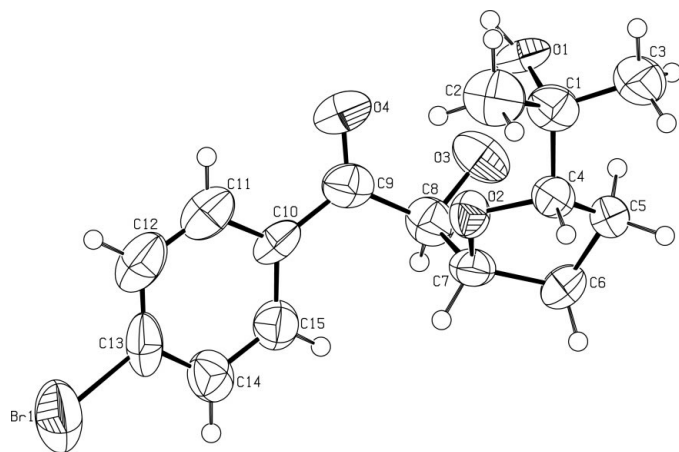


Figure 1
View of (I) with 50% probability displacement ellipsoids.

Crystal data

$C_{15}H_{19}BrO_4$
 $M_r = 343.21$
 Orthorhombic, $P2_12_12_1$
 $a = 7.7184$ (15) Å
 $b = 7.8674$ (16) Å
 $c = 25.374$ (5) Å
 $V = 1540.8$ (5) Å³
 $Z = 4$
 $D_x = 1.48$ Mg m⁻³

Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 Cell parameters from 1626 reflections
 $\theta = 2.9$ – 27.5°
 $\mu = 2.68$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 120$ (2) K
 Plate, colourless
 $0.30 \times 0.20 \times 0.05$ mm

Data collection

Nonius KappaCCD diffractometer
 φ and ω scans
 Absorption correction: multi-scan
 (Blessing, 1997)
 $T_{\min} = 0.501$, $T_{\max} = 0.878$
 2895 measured reflections
 1851 independent reflections

1051 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.057$
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.4^\circ$
 $h = -8 \rightarrow 9$
 $k = -9 \rightarrow 10$
 $l = -32 \rightarrow 32$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.069$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.193$
 $S = 1.04$
 1851 reflections
 186 parameters
 H-atom parameters constrained
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0957P)^2 + 0.1591P]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.015$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.50$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.40$ e Å⁻³
 Extinction correction: *SHELXL97*
 Extinction coefficient: 0.013 (3)
 Absolute structure: Flack (1983)
 Flack parameter = 0.00 (3)

Table 1
Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
$O3-H3\cdots O1^i$	0.84	1.90	2.722 (9)	167
$C8-H8\cdots O3^i$	1.00	2.60	3.475 (8)	146

Symmetry code: (i) $1 - x, \frac{1}{2} + y, \frac{5}{2} - z$.

H atoms were observed in a difference map, but were included in idealized positions with coordinates and thermal parameters riding on those of the parent atom. Refinement of a Flack parameter (Flack, 1983) indicated that the correct absolute structure had been identified.

Data collection: *DENZO* (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997) and *COLLECT* (Hooft, 1998); cell refinement: *DENZO* and *COLLECT*; data reduction: *DENZO* and *COLLECT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *PLATON* (Spek, 1990).

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