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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
$T=298 \mathrm{~K}$
Mean $\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.002 \AA$
Disorder in main residue
$R$ factor $=0.043$
$w R$ factor $=0.116$
Data-to-parameter ratio $=14.6$

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## 2,9,18-Trioxo-3,5,8,19-tetraaza-[5 $\left.{ }^{5,13}\right][11]$ metacyclophane monohydrate

In the title compound, $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{26} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{4}$, the bridgehead N atom is located toward the inside of the cage and the displacement from the aromatic ring is 4.2110 (13) $\AA$. The three C atoms adjacent to the bridgehead N atom are disordered with roughly equal occupancy between two sets of positions.

## Comment

The study of cyclophanes has been a subject of functional group interactions resulting from enforced mutual proximity (Pascal et al., 1987, 1989; L'Esperance et al., 1991). The unusual features of the cyclophanes are exotic IR and NMR signals, which are the direct result of steric compression and ring current effects, respectively. The synthesis and the crystal structure of the title compound, (I), is reported here; this has a slightly bigger cage size than the cyclophanes reported in previous papers (Pascal et al., 1987, 1989; L'Esperance et al., 1991). The title compound, (I), was synthesized by the ringclosure reaction of tris(2-aminoethanyl)amine $(A)$ with triacid chloride (B), i.e. (3,5-bischloroformylmethylphenyl)acetyl chloride, according to the flow method (Dye et al., 1973).

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The basal aromatic ring is essentially planar with a mean deviation of $0.0105 \AA$ (Fig. 1). Most of the distortion from ideal geometry is found in the three linking $\mathrm{C} \alpha$ atoms. The $\mathrm{C} \alpha$ atoms are located above the mean aromatic ring plane, as indicated by the angles $\mathrm{C} 10-\mathrm{C} 13 \cdots \mathrm{C} 16, \mathrm{C} 11-\mathrm{C} 15 \cdots \mathrm{C} 18$ and $\mathrm{C} 12-\mathrm{C} 17 \cdots \mathrm{C} 14$ (Table 1). The $\mathrm{C}_{\text {ring }}-\mathrm{C} \alpha-\mathrm{C}(=\mathrm{O})$ angles range from 107.57 (12) to 114.72 (12) ${ }^{\circ}$. The bridgehead N atom is located toward the inside of the cage, its displacement from the aromatic ring being 4.2110 (13) $\AA$. The three $C$ atoms adjacent to the bridgehead N atom are disordered (Fig. 1).

All bond lengths and angles for three amide bonds are within normal ranges. All amide O atoms and only atom N 3 participate in intermolecular hydrogen bonds (Fig. 2). Two


Figure 1
The structure of (I) with the atomic numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the $30 \%$ probability level. All H atoms and a water molecule have been omitted for clarity. The molecule is partially disordered with $\mathrm{C} 1, \mathrm{C} 2, \mathrm{C} 3$ [solid lines, occupancy $=0.527$ (3)] and $\mathrm{C} 1 P, \mathrm{C} 2 P, \mathrm{C} 3 P$ [open lines, occupancy $=0.473(3)$ ] atoms occupying two positions.
amide O atoms ( O 2 and O 3 ) and two H atoms ( H 2 N and H3N) from three amide bonds point towards the outside and the inside of the cage, respectively; the latter interact with the bridgehead N atoms, as shown in Table 2. This may play an important role in forming the inward conformation of the bridgehead N atom. The remaining amide bond is bent in order that N3 and O3 atoms may participate in the hydrogen bond with atom O 2 and the water molecule, respectively. This eliminates the threefold axis of the molecule in the crystal; while this might exist in a conformation with $C_{3}$ symmetry in solution, as indicated by one ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR peak for three carbonyl C atoms. A water molecule (O1 W) fills empty space and forms weak hydrogen bonds with the carbonyl O atoms of neighboring molecules. In addition, there are one intramolecular and three weak intermolecular $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ interactions. Molecules form a two-dimensional network structure as a result of these intermolecular hydrogen bonds.

## Experimental

Tris(2-aminoethyl)amine (A) and 1,3,5-triacetylbenzene were purchased from Aldrich Chemical Co. and Lancaster Synthesis Ltd, respectively. The triacid chloride (B), i.e. (3,5-bischloroformylmethylphenyl)acetyl chloride, was prepared by a known method (Cochrane et al., 1968) via 1,3,5-tricarboxymethylbenzene from 1,3,5-triacetylbenzene (Newman \& Lowrie, 1954). The cyclophane, $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{3}$, was synthesized from equimolar amounts of $(A)$ and $(B)$ in anhydrous THF in the presence of triethylamine by the flow method (Dye et al., 1973). The resulting mixture was filtered and removal of the solvent followed by chromatography (silica gel; methanol-ethyl


Figure 2
View along the $b$ axis showing the intermolecular hydrogen bonds and $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ and $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ interactions, indicated by dashed lines. The disorder has been omitted for clarity. A set of molecules in a layer have also been omitted for clarity. [Symmetry codes: (i) $x+1 / 2,3 / 2-y, z-1 / 2$; (ii) $x-1 / 2,3 / 2-y, z-1 / 2$.]
acetate, 1:1) yielded the product ( $\sim 20 \%$ ). ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 500 MHz , $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta$ (p.p.m.) $2.36\left(m, 6 \mathrm{H},-\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{NH}-\right), 3.27\left(m, 6 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{NCH}_{2}-\right), 3.66$ $\left(s, 6 \mathrm{H},-\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{CO}-\right), 4.96(s, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{NH}-), 7.16(s, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR $\left(500 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta$ (p.p.m.) 34.62, 43.58, 49.37, 130.55, 138.95, 170.33; MS, $m / z: 342,343,344,345,346$; calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{3}$ 344.41; UV (methanol) $\lambda_{\max } 270,276 \mathrm{~nm}$; IR (KBr disc) 3542, 3431, 3406, 3321, 2937, 2884, 2922, 1656, 1602, 1537, 1461, 1346, 1309, 1284, 1247, 1164, 1059, 955, 902, 886, 786, 734, $688 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$. Crystals of (I) were obtained from a methanol solution upon slow evaporation.

## Crystal data

$\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{24} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{3} \cdot \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$
$M_{r}=362.43$
Monoclinic, $P 2_{2} / n$
$a=9.3436$ (8) А
$b=13.4554$ (12) $\AA$
$c=14.2888$ (12) $\AA$
$\beta=94.748$ (2) ${ }^{\circ}$
$V=1790.3(3) \AA^{3}$
$Z=4$
$D_{x}=1.345 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$
Mo $K \alpha$ radiation
Cell parameters from 11459
$\quad$ reflections
$\theta=2.1-28.3^{\circ}$
$\mu=0.10 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$
$T=298(2) \mathrm{K}$
Plate, colorless
$0.50 \times 0.35 \times 0.25 \mathrm{~mm}$

## Data collection

Siemens SMART CCD areadetector diffractometer $\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans
11459 measured reflections
4316 independent reflections 2794 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$ $R_{\text {int }}=0.064$

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\begin{aligned}
& \theta_{\max }=28.3^{\circ} \\
& h=-12 \rightarrow 8 \\
& k=-17 \rightarrow 17 \\
& l=-18 \rightarrow 19 \\
& 156 \text { standard reflections } \\
& \quad \text { frequency: } 360 \text { min } \\
& \text { intensity decay: none }
\end{aligned}
$$

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$
$w=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{o}^{2}\right)+(0.0559 P)^{2}\right.$
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.043$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.116$
$S=1.01$
4316 reflections
295 parameters
H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement

Table 1
Selected geometric parameters ( $\left({ }^{\circ},{ }^{\circ}\right)$.

| O1-C7 | 1.227 (2) | $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C} 1 P$ | 1.423 (4) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| O2-C8 | 1.2276 (17) | N1-C4 | 1.443 (2) |
| O3-C9 | 1.2252 (19) | N1-C7 | 1.324 (2) |
| $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C} 3$ | 1.505 (3) | N2-C8 | 1.3340 (19) |
| $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C} 1$ | 1.483 (3) | N2-C5 | 1.443 (2) |
| $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C} 2$ | 1.417 (3) | N3-C6 | 1.446 (2) |
| $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C} 3 P$ | 1.481 (4) | N3-C9 | 1.332 (2) |
| $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C} 2 P$ | 1.515 (3) |  |  |
| $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C} 2$ | 113.1 (2) | N2-C5-C2 | 109.97 (15) |
| $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C} 3$ | 107.24 (17) | N3-C6-C3 | 112.96 (16) |
| $\mathrm{C} 1 P-\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C} 2 P$ | 110.9 (2) | N3-C6-C3P | 115.30 (15) |
| $\mathrm{C} 1 P-\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C} 3 P$ | 112.8 (2) | O1-C7-C10 | 120.77 (13) |
| $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C} 3$ | 112.20 (18) | N1-C7-C10 | 117.22 (14) |
| $\mathrm{C} 2 P-\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C} 3 P$ | 106.09 (18) | O1-C7-N1 | 121.98 (15) |
| $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 7$ | 125.12 (14) | $\mathrm{O} 2-\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{C} 11$ | 120.56 (13) |
| C5-N2-C8 | 125.17 (13) | $\mathrm{O} 2-\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{N} 2$ | 122.18 (14) |
| C6-N3-C9 | 123.84 (13) | N2-C8-C11 | 117.27 (12) |
| $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 4$ | 116.4 (2) | N3-C9-C12 | 115.90 (13) |
| $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C} 1 P-\mathrm{C} 4$ | 114.5 (3) | O3-C9-C12 | 121.69 (14) |
| $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{C} 5$ | 115.8 (2) | $\mathrm{O} 3-\mathrm{C} 9-\mathrm{N} 3$ | 122.34 (14) |
| $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C} 2 \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{C} 5$ | 115.5 (3) | C7-C10-C13 | 114.72 (12) |
| $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{C} 6$ | 115.32 (19) | C8-C11-C15 | 113.89 (12) |
| $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C} 3 P-\mathrm{C} 6$ | 115.5 (2) | C9-C12-C17 | 107.57 (12) |
| N1-C4-C1 | 110.84 (17) | C10-C13 . C 16 | 171.00 (10) |
| $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{C} 1 P$ | 110.71 (19) | C11-C15 .. C 18 | 168.92 (10) |
| $\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 5-\mathrm{C} 2 P$ | 112.47 (16) | C12-C17 . C 14 | 167.97 (10) |
| N1-C7-C10-C13 | 10.2 (2) | O2-C8-C11-C15 | 179.11 (14) |
| O1-C7-C10-C13 | -171.80 (14) | N3-C9-C12-C17 | 70.72 (16) |
| N2-C8-C11-C15 | -1.4 (2) | O3-C9-C12-C17 | -106.26 (16) |

Table 2
Hydrogen-bonding geometry $\left(\AA^{\circ},{ }^{\circ}\right)$.

| $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H}$ | $\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{~N} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 \mathrm{~N} \cdots \mathrm{~N}$ | $0.85(2)$ | $2.443(18)$ | $2.8240(18)$ | $108.2(14)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 1 W-\mathrm{H} 1 W \cdots \mathrm{O} 1$ | $0.85(3)$ | $1.99(3)$ | $2.834(2)$ | $173(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{H} 2 N \cdots \mathrm{~N}$ | $0.870(18)$ | $2.451(18)$ | $2.8593(17)$ | $109.4(14)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 1 W-\mathrm{H} 2 W \cdots \mathrm{O}^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $0.93(5)$ | $2.09(5)$ | $2.940(2)$ | $151(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{N} 3-\mathrm{H} 3 \mathrm{~N} \cdots \mathrm{O} 2^{\mathrm{ii}}$ | $0.84(2)$ | $2.168(19)$ | $2.9540(18)$ | $156.3(17)$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 5-\mathrm{H} 5 A \cdots 3^{\text {iii }}$ | 0.97 | 2.52 | $3.465(2)$ | 165 |
| $\mathrm{C} 6-\mathrm{H} 6 A \cdots \mathrm{O} 3$ | 0.97 | 2.40 | $2.799(2)$ | 104 |
| $\mathrm{C} 12-\mathrm{H} 12 B \cdots \mathrm{O}^{2} W^{\text {iv }}$ | 0.97 | 2.55 | $3.504(2)$ | 167 |
| $\mathrm{C} 14-\mathrm{H} 14 \cdots \mathrm{O}^{\mathrm{v}}$ | $0.975(16)$ | $2.525(16)$ | $3.438(2)$ | $155.9(13)$ |
| Symmetry codes: (i) $\frac{1}{2}+x, \frac{3}{2}-y, z-\frac{1}{2} ;$ (ii) | $x-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}-y, z-\frac{1}{2} ;$ (iii) $\frac{1}{2}-x, \frac{1}{2}+y, \frac{1}{2}-z ;$ (iv) |  |  |  |
| $\frac{1}{2}-x, y-\frac{1}{2},-\frac{1}{2}-z ;(\mathrm{v}) 1-x, 2-y,-z$. |  |  |  |  |

The first 50 frames were retaken after complete data collection, showing no significant decay of the crystal. The H atoms of ethyleneand methylene-C atoms were added at their calculated positions ( $U=$ 1.2 times that of the corresponding C atom) and refined using a riding model. The other eight H atoms were located from difference Fourier maps and were included at the final cycle of the refinement. The $\mathrm{C}-$ $\mathrm{H}, \mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H}$ and $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H}$ bond lengths are 0.95 (2)-0.98(2), 0.84 (2)0.87 (2) and 0.85 (3)-0.93 (5) Å, respectively.

Data collection: SMART (Siemens, 1996); cell refinement: SAINT (Siemens, 1996); data reduction: SHELXTL (Siemens, 1996); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: SHELXTL; software used to prepare material for publication: PLATON (Spek, 2001).

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