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#### Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 150 KMean  $\sigma(C-C) = 0.002 \text{ Å}$  R factor = 0.046 wR factor = 0.123 Data-to-parameter ratio = 18.4

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© 2002 International Union of Crystallography Printed in Great Britain – all rights reserved The title compound,  $C_{11}H_{18}O_2$ , is a natural product mimic containing five chiral centres.

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# Comment

The title compound, (I), was synthesized as part of a research programme investigating synthetic routes to bicyclo[3.2.1]-octanes, which are a common structural component of many natural products, such as kaurenoids and gibberellins.



The bond lengths and angles in (I) conform to standard values (Allen *et al.*, 1987) derived from the Cambridge Structural Database (Allen & Kennard, 1993). The bicyclic structure of (I) produces three ring systems, in which the five-membered ring is in an envelope conformation, with C7 as the flap, the six-membered ring is in a chair conformation, and the seven-membered ring is in a boat conformation. The hydroxyl substituents on the six-membered ring are both in axial positions on the same side of the molecule, while the methyl and methene substituents are in equatorial positions. The methyl group located on the five-membered ring is in an axial position. The molecule has five chiral centres, with C2, C6 and C7 of one chirality, and C8 and C10 the opposite.

There are two classical hydrogen bonds in the crystal structure. An intramolecular interaction with  $O \cdot \cdot \cdot O = 2.5840$  (17) Å exists for  $O1-H1 \cdot \cdot \cdot O2$ , and there is an  $O \cdot \cdot \cdot O$  separation of 2.7000 (15) Å in the intermolecular interaction  $O2-H2 \cdot \cdot \cdot O1^{i}$  [symmetry code: (i) x-1/2, 1/2-y, z-1/2]. This intermolecular interaction gives rise to a one-dimensional chain motif in the crystal structure.

# **Experimental**

The title compound was prepared by cyclization of the appropriate methylenecyclopropyl ketone to form the bicyclo[3.2.1]octane. The cyclization was mediated by slow addition of the ketone to two equivalents of  $SmI_2$  in the presence of 'BuOH (2 equivalents) and HMPA (10 equivalents) in THF at 273 K.

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## Crystal data

 $C_{11}H_{18}O_2$   $M_r = 182.25$ Monoclinic,  $P2_1/n$  a = 6.8216 (14) Å b = 18.934 (4) Å c = 8.1610 (16) Å  $\beta = 107.76$  (3)° V = 1003.9 (3) Å<sup>3</sup> Z = 4

#### Data collection

Nonius KappaCCD area-detector diffractometer  $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans Absorption correction: multi-scan (SORTAV; Blessing, 1997)  $T_{min} = 0.968, T_{max} = 0.996$ 7926 measured reflections

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.046$   $wR(F^2) = 0.123$  S = 0.992262 reflections 123 parameters H-atom parameters constrained

# Table 1

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D{\cdots}A$	$D - H \cdots A$
	0.84	1.83	2.5840 (17)	149
	0.84	1.87	2.7000 (15)	170

 $D_x = 1.206 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ 

Cell parameters from 5108

2262 independent reflections

 $w = 1/[\sigma^{2}(F_{o}^{2}) + (0.0649P)^{2}]$ ( $\Delta/\sigma$ )<sub>max</sub> = 0.01  $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.26 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ 

Extinction correction: SHELXL

Extinction coefficient: 0.011 (4)

 $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.20 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$ 

1447 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation

reflections

 $\theta = 2.9 - 30.5^{\circ}$  $\mu = 0.08 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ 

T = 150 (2) K

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.058$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} \theta_{\rm max} = 27.5^\circ \\ h = -8 \rightarrow 8 \end{array}$ 

 $k = -23 \rightarrow 24$ 

 $l = -9 \rightarrow 10$ 

Needle, colourless  $0.40 \times 0.05 \times 0.05 \text{ mm}$ 

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

H atoms were refined with constrained positions and with  $U_{iso}$  tied to  $U_{eq}$  of their parent atoms. The hydroxyl H atoms were allowed torsional freedom.

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: *SHELXS*97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL*97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *PLATON* (Spek, 1990).

## Figure 1

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

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