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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
$T=150 \mathrm{~K}$
Mean $\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.004 \AA$
$R$ factor $=0.043$
$w R$ factor $=0.119$
Data-to-parameter ratio $=11.3$
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## 2,2-Dimethyl-5-(N-methyl-N-methoxy-aminomethylene)-1,3-dioxane-4,6-dione

In the title compound, $\mathrm{C}_{9} \mathrm{H}_{13} \mathrm{NO}_{5}$, the N -methoxy group adopts a conformation almost at right angles to the leastsquares mean plane through the other two nitrogen substituents, in a direction opposite to that of the axial methyl substituent on the ring of the Meldrum's acid (2,2-dimethyl-1,3-dioxane-4,6-dione) moiety. There is an indication, at the limits of precision, that delocalization of the N -atom lone pair into the Meldrum's acid ring may be favoured in the direction of one of the two carbonyl groups. The structure is otherwise very similar to that of previously reported 2,2-dimethyl-5( $\mathrm{N}, \mathrm{N}$-dimethylaminomethylene)-1,3-dioxane-4,6-dione [Blake et al. (1991). J. Chem. Soc. Perkin Trans. 2, pp. 2003-2010].

## Comment

The $N$-methoxy group $\mathrm{N} 8-\mathrm{O} 10-\mathrm{C} 11$ in the title compound, (1), adopts a conformation almost at right angles to the C7$\mathrm{N} 8-\mathrm{C} 9$ plane [the dihedral angle is $89.3(2)^{\circ}$ ] in a direction opposite to that of the axial methyl substituent $\mathrm{C} 2 A$ on the Meldrum's acid ring (Fig. 1). The dihedral angle between the $\mathrm{C} 4 / \mathrm{C} 5 / \mathrm{C} 6$ and the C7/N8/C9 planes is 26.0 (6) ${ }^{\circ}$. By comparison with its $N, N$-dimethyl analogue, (2) (Blake et al., 1991), the methoxy group has comparatively little structural influence on the molecule as a whole. Thus, many of the values of the corresponding bond lengths and valence angles in (1) and (2) (including $\mathrm{C} 5-\mathrm{C} 7$ and $\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{N} 8$ ) lie within one s.u. of one another and most are within three s.u.'s. The sole significant exceptions appear to be the bond angles around N8. Thus, in (1), $\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{N} 8-\mathrm{C} 9$ is increased to 130.7 (2) ${ }^{\circ}$ and $\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{N} 8-\mathrm{O} 10$ reduced to 115.1 (2) ${ }^{\circ}$ from the corresponding values in (2), which are $123.0(3)$ and $121.2(3)^{\circ}$, respectively.

(1)

(2)

(3)

There is an indication, at the limit of the precision of our results, that delocalization of the N8 lone pair into the Meldrum's acid ring may be favoured in the direction of C5$\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{O} 4$. Thus $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{C} 5[1.437$ (4) $\AA$ ] displays more doublebond character than $\mathrm{C} 5-\mathrm{C} 6[1.452(4) \AA$ ( A$]$ and $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{O} 4$ [1.218 (3) Å] correspondingly displays more single-bond character than C6-O6 [1.208 (3) A]. Although this feature was not observed in the structure of (2), we have previously

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Figure 1
The molecular structure and atom-numbering scheme for 2,2-dimethyl-5( $N$-methyl- $N$-methoxyaminomethylene)-1,3-dioxane-4,6-dione. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the $30 \%$ probability level.
made a similar observation in the structure of the vinylogue (3) (Blake et al., 1991). Interestingly, in this case, the preferred delocalization took place towards the other carbonyl group.

## Experimental

The title compound was made by treatment of $\mathrm{N}, \mathrm{O}$-dimethylhydroxylamine hydrochloride with methoxymethylene Meldrum's acid in acetonitrile solution, in the presence of triethylamine ( McNab \& Withell, 2000). Crystals were grown from an ethanol solution.

## Crystal data

| $\mathrm{C}_{9} \mathrm{H}_{13} \mathrm{NO}_{5}$ | $Z=2$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| $M_{r}=215.20$ | $D_{x}=1.379 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$ |
| Triclinic, $P \overline{1}$ | Mo $K \alpha$ radiation |
| $a=6.477(5) \AA$ | Cell parameters from 14 |
| $b=7.769(5) \AA$ | reflections |
| $c=11.675(12) \AA$ | $\theta=5.5-12.3^{\circ}$ |
| $\alpha=98.04(7)^{\circ}$ | $\mu=0.11 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$ |
| $\beta=100.50(7)^{\circ}$ | $T=150(2) \mathrm{K}$ |
| $\gamma=112.71(5)^{\circ}$ | Cuboid, colourless |
| $V=518.4(7) \AA^{\circ}$ | $0.23 \times 0.19 \times 0.19 \mathrm{~mm}$ |

## Data collection

$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Stoe Stadi-4 four-circle } & \theta_{\max }=25.0^{\circ} \\ \quad \text { diffractometer } & h=-7 \rightarrow 6 \\ \omega-2 \theta \text { scans } & k=-8 \rightarrow 9 \\ \text { Absorption correction: none } & l=0 \rightarrow 13\end{array}$ 2066 measured reflections 1580 independent reflections 1259 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$ $R_{\text {int }}=0.022$

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.044$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.119$
$S=1.12$
1580 reflections
140 parameters
H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement

All H atoms were located from a $\Delta F$ synthesis, but they were included at geometrically calculated positions. For methyl H atoms $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}$ was fixed at $0.98 \AA$; for the remaining H atom this distance was $0.95 \AA$, and $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=x U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{C})$, with $x=1.5$ for methyl H atoms and 1.2 for the other.

Data collection: DIF4 (Stoe \& Cie, 1992); cell refinement: DIF4; data reduction: REDU4 (Stoe \& Cie, 1992); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: SHELXTL (Bruker, 2001); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97 and PLATON (Spek, 2003).

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