

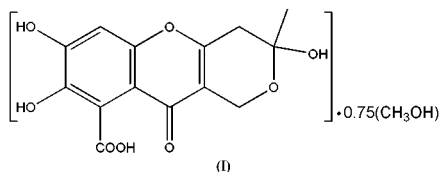
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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
 $T = 298\text{ K}$
Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.007\text{ \AA}$
 R factor = 0.075
 wR factor = 0.196
Data-to-parameter ratio = 10.9For details of how these key indicators were automatically derived from the article, see <http://journals.iucr.org/e>.**3,7,8-Trihydroxy-3-methyl-10-oxo-4,10-dihydro-1*H*,3*H*-pyrano[4,3-*b*]chromene-9-carboxylic acid (fulvic acid) methanol 0.75-solvate**The title compound, $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_8 \cdot 0.75\text{CH}_3\text{O}$, crystallizes in a centrosymmetric triclinic unit cell, which contains four independent essentially planar molecules and three methanol solvent molecules in the asymmetric unit. The molecules in the crystal are linked by a hydrogen-bonding network.Received 3 September 2003
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3,7,8-Trihydroxy-3-methyl-10-oxo-4,10-dihydro-1*H*,3*H*-pyrano[4,3-*b*]chromene-9-carboxylic acid (fulvic acid), (I) (Fig. 1), another yellow acidic metabolite, was isolated from *Paecilomyces sp.* Its formulation, having one more hydroxy group, differs from that of anhydrofulvic acid (Wang *et al.*, 2003).

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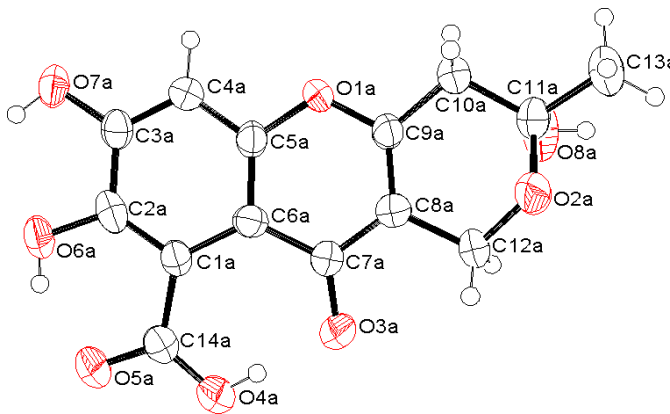


Figure 1

ORTEP-3 (Farrugia, 1997) view of one independent molecule of (I), with the atom-numbering scheme and 50% probability displacement ellipsoids. H atoms are drawn as spheres of arbitrary radii.

Experimental

The title compound was isolated from *Paecilomyces sp.*, an endophytic fungus of *Cephalataxus fortunei*. Crystals were grown from methanol.

Crystal data

$C_{14}H_{12}O_8 \cdot 0.75CH_4O$
 $M_r = 332.27$
 Triclinic, $P\bar{1}$
 $a = 12.4830$ (7) Å
 $b = 12.6558$ (8) Å
 $c = 19.0259$ (13) Å
 $\alpha = 94.608$ (3)°
 $\beta = 100.871$ (3)°
 $\gamma = 98.399$ (3)°
 $V = 2902.1$ (3) Å³

$Z = 8$
 $D_x = 1.521$ Mg m⁻³
 Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 Cell parameters from 1065 reflections
 $\theta = 2.2$ – 19.4 °
 $\mu = 0.13$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 298$ (2) K
 Chunk, yellow
 $0.23 \times 0.15 \times 0.13$ mm

Data collection

Bruker SMART APEX area-detector diffractometer
 φ and ω scans
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 2001)
 $T_{\min} = 0.953$, $T_{\max} = 0.985$
 14 782 measured reflections

9473 independent reflections
 4625 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.052$
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.0$ °
 $h = -14 \rightarrow 14$
 $k = -14 \rightarrow 15$
 $l = -22 \rightarrow 10$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.075$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.196$
 $S = 1.01$
 9473 reflections
 873 parameters

H-atom parameters constrained
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0668P)^2]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.002$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.41$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.31$ e Å⁻³

Table 1

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D-H \cdots A$	$D-H$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D-H \cdots A$
O4A—H4A···O3A	0.82	1.57	2.389 (5)	173
O6A—H6A···O5A	0.82	1.73	2.443 (5)	144
O8A—H8A···O8B	0.82	2.06	2.860 (5)	166
O4B—H4B···O3B	0.82	1.56	2.373 (5)	168
O6B—H6B···O5B	0.82	1.73	2.449 (5)	146
O4C—H4C···O3C	0.82	1.59	2.405 (5)	176
O6C—H6C···O5C	0.82	1.73	2.456 (5)	147
O4D—H4D···O3D	0.82	1.58	2.386 (5)	168
O6D—H6D···O5D	0.82	1.70	2.435 (5)	148
O7D—H7D···O2	0.82	1.85	2.618 (4)	155
O8D—H8D···O7B	0.82	2.10	2.869 (5)	155
O7A—H7A···O8C ⁱ	0.82	2.04	2.768 (5)	148
O7B—H7B···O1 ⁱⁱ	0.82	1.90	2.653 (5)	153
O8B—H8B···O7D ⁱⁱⁱ	0.82	2.07	2.852 (4)	159
O7C—H7C···O3 ^{iv}	0.82	1.90	2.655 (5)	152
O8C—H8C···O5B ^v	0.82	2.23	3.031 (5)	166
O1—H1···O5A ^{vi}	0.82	1.98	2.786 (5)	167
O2—H2···O5C ^{vii}	0.82	1.97	2.789 (5)	175
O3—H3···O5D ^{viii}	0.82	2.03	2.850 (5)	176

Symmetry codes: (i) $x, 1 + y, z$; (ii) $1 - x, 1 - y, -z$; (iii) $x - 1, y, z$; (iv) $x, y - 1, z$; (v) $-x, 1 - y, -z$; (vi) $1 + x, y - 1, z$; (vii) $1 - x, -y, 1 - z$; (viii) $1 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z$.

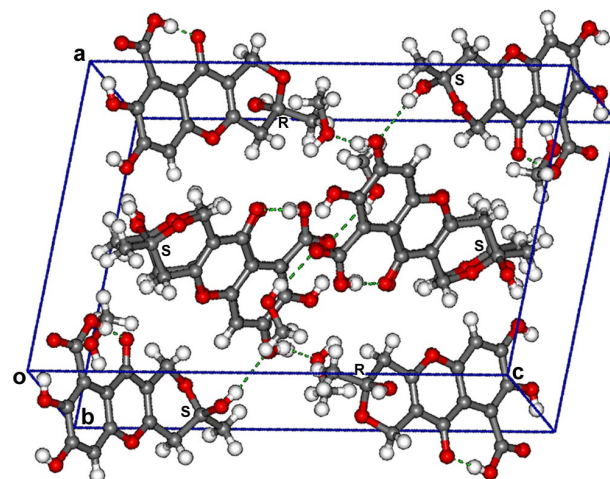


Figure 2

Packing diagram (Accelrys, 2001), showing the hydrogen bonding.

The H atoms were positioned geometrically ($C-H = 0.93, 0.97$ or 0.96 Å for phenyl, methylene or methyl H atoms, respectively, and $O-H = 0.82$ Å) and were included in the refinement in the riding-model approximation. The displacement parameters of phenyl and methylene H atoms were set to $1.2U_{\text{eq}}$ of their parent atoms, while those of methyl and O-bound H atoms were set to $1.5U_{\text{eq}}$.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2001); cell refinement: *SMART*; data reduction: *SAINTE* (Bruker, 2001); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEP-3* (Farrugia, 1997) and *ViewerPro* (Accelrys, 2001); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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