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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 293 KMean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.007 \text{ Å}$ Disorder in solvent or counterion R factor = 0.068 wR factor = 0.232 Data-to-parameter ratio = 14.2

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4,11-Bis(4-methoxyphenyl)-3,10-bis(2,6-dichlorophenyl)-1,8-dioxa-2,9-diazadispiro[4.1.4.3]tetradeca-2,9-dien-6-one_chloroform_methanol (2/2/1)

The title compound, $C_{36}H_{28}Cl_4N_2O_5$ ·CHCl₃·0.5CH₄O, was synthesized by the intermolecular [3+2]-cycloaddition of 2,6dichlorobenzonitrile oxide and 2,6-bis(4-methoxybenzylidene)cyclohexanone. There are three rings linked by two spiro-C atoms. The cyclohexane ring has a chair conformation and the two five-membered isoxazoline rings have envelope conformations. Received 8 September 2003 Accepted 12 September 2003 Online 7 October 2003

Comment

Spiro-compounds represent an important class of naturally occurring substances characterized by highly pronounced biological properties (Kobayashi *et al.*, 1991; James *et al.*, 1991). 1,3-Dipolar cycloaddition reactions are important processes for the construction of spiro-compounds (Caramella & Grunanger, 1984). In this paper, the structure of the title compound, (I), is reported



Compound (I) was synthesized by the intermolecular [3+2]cycloaddition of 2,6-dichlorobenzonitrile oxide and 2,6-bis(4methoxybenzylidene)cyclohexanone. The molecular structure of the main residue of (I) is illustrated in Fig. 1. There are two spiro junctions in the molecule, which contains two isoxazoline rings and a cyclohexane ring. The two isoxazoline rings adopt envelope conformations, while the cyclohexane ring has a chair conformation. The structure of 4,11-bis(4-chlorophenyl)-3,10-bis(2,6-dichlorophenyl)-1,8-dioxa-2,9-diazadispiro[4.1.4.-3]tetradeca-2,9-dien-6-one 0.75-hydrate has been reported previously (Li *et al.*, 2003).

Experimental

A mixture of 2,6-dichlorobenzonitrile oxide (3 mmol) and 2,6-bis(4methoxybenzylidene)cyclohexanone (1.5 mmol) in dry benzene (30 ml) was heated under reflux for 36 h. After evaporation of the solvent, the residue was separated by column chromatography (silica

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Figure 1

The molecular structure of (I), drawn with 30% probability ellipsoids. H atoms have been omitted for clarity.

gel, petroleum ether-ethyl acetate, 5:1) to give the title compound, (I) (m.p. 521–522 K). IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 1734 (C=O), 1610, 1581 (C=N, C=C); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, p.p.m.): 1.26 (4H, m), 1.61 (2H, m), 3.73 (6H, s), 6.18 (2H, s), 6.81-7.35 (14H, m). Compound (I) (20 mg) was dissolved in a mixture of chloroform and methanol (15 ml), and the resulting solution was kept at room temperature for 10 d, giving colorless single crystals of (I) by evaporation.

Crystal data

C ₃₆ H ₂₈ Cl ₄ N ₂ O ₅ ·CHCl ₃ ·0.5CH ₄ O	Z = 2
$M_r = 845.79$	$D_x = 1.443 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
Triclinic, P1	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
a = 11.293 (3) Å	Cell parameters from 956
b = 12.955 (4) Å	reflections
c = 15.027 (4) Å	$\theta = 3.5 - 23.5^{\circ}$
$\alpha = 114.946 \ (4)^{\circ}$	$\mu = 0.56 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\beta = 96.953 \ (5)^{\circ}$	T = 293 (2) K
$\gamma = 96.393 \ (5)^{\circ}$	Block, colorless
$V = 1946.2 (10) \text{ Å}^3$	$0.38 \times 0.36 \times 0.28 \text{ mm}$

Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector	6824 independent reflections
diffractometer	4415 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
φ and ω scans	$R_{\rm int} = 0.019$
Absorption correction: multi-scan	$\theta_{\rm max} = 25.0^{\circ}$
(SADABS; Bruker, 1997)	$h = -13 \rightarrow 13$
$T_{\min} = 0.732, \ T_{\max} = 0.856$	$k = -13 \rightarrow 15$
10 073 measured reflections	$l = -17 \rightarrow 10$
Refinement	
Refinement on F^2	H-atom parameters constrained
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.068$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_a^2) + (0.084P)^2]$
$wR(F^2) = 0.232$	where $P = (F_{a}^{2} + 2F_{c}^{2})/3$
S = 1.03	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$
6824 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.64 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
480 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.77 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$

The positions of the C and O atoms of the methanol molecule were found in a difference Fourier map and refined with occupancies fixed at 0.5. H atoms were positioned geometrically with C-H = 0.93-0.98 Å and refined in a riding model with $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(carrier)$.

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

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