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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
T = 150 K
Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.007 \text{ \AA}$
R factor = 0.051
wR factor = 0.142
Data-to-parameter ratio = 7.5

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Ethyl 7-*exo*-acetoxy-4-phenyltricyclo- [4.2.1.0^{2,5}]non-3-ene-3-carboxylate

The regio- and stereochemistry of the title compound, $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_4$, has been established by X-ray analysis. The bond lengths and angles are normal.

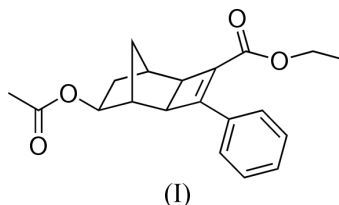
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Comment

Recently, we studied the remote substituent effects on ruthenium-catalysed [2 + 2]-cycloaddition reactions between 2-substituted 5-norbornenes and unsymmetrically substituted alkynes. Four different regio- and stereoisomers could be formed in the cycloadditions. When the substituent of the norbornene is an *exo*-OAc group, two regioisomers were obtained in a ratio of 4:1. These regioisomers were separated by fractional recrystallization. The regio- and stereochemistry of the major isomer, (I), was established by a single-crystal X-ray diffraction analysis.



Experimental

Addition of *exo*-2-acetoxy-5-norbornene and ethyl 3-phenylpropionate to $\text{Cp}^*\text{RuCl}(\text{COD})$ in THF at 298 K provided two regioisomers in a ratio of 4:1. Fractional recrystallization in hexanes provided the major regioisomer (I). Suitable crystals were grown from hexanes.

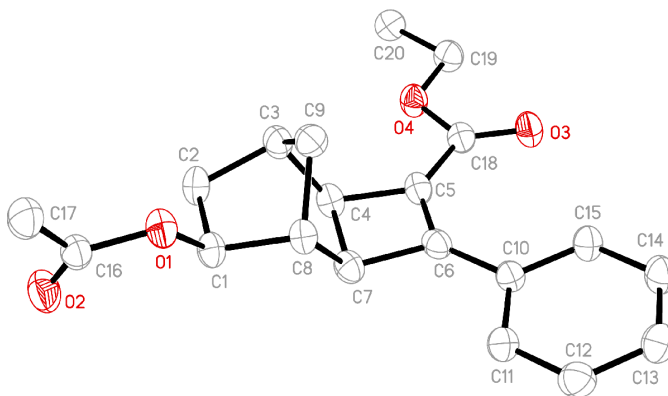


Figure 1

View of the molecule of (I), with the crystallographic labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are at the 30% probability level and H atoms have been omitted.

Crystal data

$C_{20}H_{22}O_4$
 $M_r = 326.38$
 Monoclinic, $P2_1$
 $a = 9.7510$ (14) Å
 $b = 5.5920$ (9) Å
 $c = 15.3550$ (18) Å
 $\beta = 90.934$ (10)°
 $V = 837.2$ (2) Å³
 $Z = 2$

$D_x = 1.295$ Mg m⁻³
 Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 Cell parameters from 18043 reflections
 $\theta = 2.6$ – 25.0°
 $\mu = 0.09$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 150$ (1) K
 Needle, colourless
 $0.14 \times 0.10 \times 0.05$ mm

Data collection

Nonius KappaCCD diffractometer
 φ scans and ω scans with κ offsets
 Absorption correction: none
 5502 measured reflections
 1647 independent reflections
 1182 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

$R_{int} = 0.080$
 $\theta_{max} = 25.0^\circ$
 $h = -11 \rightarrow 11$
 $k = -6 \rightarrow 6$
 $l = -18 \rightarrow 18$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.051$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.142$
 $S = 1.05$
 1647 reflections
 220 parameters
 H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0749P)^2]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.16$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.16$ e Å⁻³
 Extinction correction: *SHELXTL*
 Extinction coefficient: 0.058 (11)

All H atoms were placed in calculated positions, with C–H distances ranging from 0.98 to 1.00 Å, and included in the refinement in a riding-motion approximation, with $U_{iso} = 1.2U_{eq}$ ($1.5U_{eq}$ for methyl H atoms) of the carrier atom. In the absence of significant anomalous dispersion effects, Friedel pairs were merged.

Data collection: *COLLECT* (Nonius, 1997–2002); cell refinement: *DENZO-SMN* (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997); data reduction: *DENZO-SMN*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SIR92* (Altomare *et al.*, 1999); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 2001); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL*; software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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