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#### Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 173 K Mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.003 Å R factor = 0.068 wR factor = 0.140 Data-to-parameter ratio = 15.1

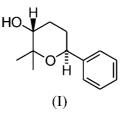
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# *trans*-2,2-Dimethyl-6-phenyl-3,4,5,6-tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-3-ol

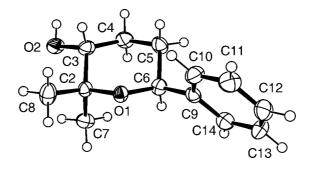
The tetrahydropyran ring in the title compound,  $C_{13}H_{18}O_2$ , adopts a  $_1C^4$  conformation, with the phenyl and the hydroxy substituent located in equatorial positions. Hydrogen bonding occurs between enantiomers involving the hydroxy H atom and the ether O atom.

### Comment

The title compound, (I), is a chiral molecule with two asymmetrically substituted C atoms, *viz*. C3 and C6. The racemate of (I) was prepared (Hartung *et al.*, 2003) and investigated by X-ray diffraction in order to establish reference data for an upcoming conformational analysis on multiply substituted tetrahydropyrans.



Atoms C2, C3, C5 and C6 form a plane [deviation of atom C6 is 0.031 (5) Å], with atoms O1 and C4 displaced in opposite directions [-0.603 (3) Å for O1 and 0.657 (4) Å for C4], thus leading to a  $_{1}C^{4}$  conformation (Fig. 1). This geometry corresponds to the major conformation of (I) in CDCl<sub>3</sub> solution, as deduced from the magnitude of the vicinal proton–proton coupling constants (<sup>1</sup>H NMR; Hartung *et al.*, 2003). The phenyl and hydroxy substituent in (I) are located in equatorial positions  $[O2-C3-C2-O1 = -176.7 (2)^{\circ}$  and  $C9-C6-C5-C4 = 173.9 (2)^{\circ}]$ . The sum of the absolute values of the six endocyclic torsion angles within the tetrahydropyran entity of



© 2005 International Union of Crystallography Printed in Great Britain – all rights reserved **Figure 1** Molecular structure of (I). Displacement ellipsoids are plotted at the 50% probability level.

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(I) is 330 (2)°. The intermolecular  $O-H \cdots O$  hydrogen bond (Table 1) links the alternating 3R,6S and 3S,6R enantiomers of (I) into linear chains (Fig. 2).

## **Experimental**

Suitable crystals for X-ray diffraction were obtained by slow addition of petroleum ether to a solution of (I) in diethyl ether.

#### Crystal data

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C13H18O2
M_{\rm r} = 206.27
Monoclinic, P2_1/n
a = 9.4212 (6) Å
b = 12.8792 (9) Å
c = 10.0568 (7) \text{ Å}
\beta = 105.609 (1)^{\circ}
V = 1175.26 (14) \text{ Å}^3
Z = 4
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#### Data collection

Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer  $\omega/2\theta$  scans Absorption correction: none 2148 measured reflections 2148 independent reflections 2056 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$  $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.069$ + 0.8889P]  $wR(F^2) = 0.140$  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.003$ S = 1.282148 reflections 142 parameters H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement

#### Table 1

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

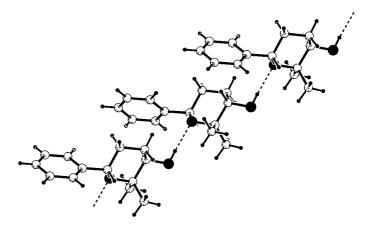
$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D - H \cdots A$
$O2-H2\cdots O1^i$	0.83 (3)	2.02 (3)	2.848 (2)	177 (3)

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

 $D_x = 1.166 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation Cell parameters from 25 reflections  $\theta = 3.3 - 14.8^{\circ}$  $\mu = 0.08 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 173 (2) K Block, colourless  $0.30 \times 0.30 \times 0.30 \mbox{ mm}$ 

 $\theta_{\rm max} = 25.4^{\circ}$  $h = -11 \rightarrow 10$  $k = 0 \rightarrow 15$  $l = 0 \rightarrow 12$ 3 standard reflections frequency: 100 min intensity decay: none

 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0351P)^2]$ where  $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$  $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.28 \text{ e} \text{ } \text{\AA}^{-3}$  $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.20 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$ 



#### Figure 2

Intermolecular hydrogen-bond formation (dashed lines) of (I) in the solid state [view along 010].

Atom H2 was located in a difference Fourier map and refined freely. All other H atoms were placed in geometrically idealized positions (0.95–1.00 Å), and their  $U_{iso}(H)$  values were constrained to  $1.5U_{eq}(C)$  (CH<sub>3</sub>) or  $1.2U_{eq}(C)$  (all other H atoms).

Data collection: CAD-4 Diffractometer Control Software (Enraf-Nonius, 1993); cell refinement: CAD-4 Diffractometer Control Software; data reduction: CAD-4 Diffractometer Control Software; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: PLATON (Spek, 2003) and ORTEP-3 (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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