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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
$T=293 \mathrm{~K}$
Mean $\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.003 \AA$
$R$ factor $=0.056$
$w R$ factor $=0.165$
Data-to-parameter ratio $=12.0$
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## 2-(3,7-Dimethylocta-2,6-dienyl)-1,3,5,8tetrahydroxyxanthone

The title compound, $\mathrm{C}_{23} \mathrm{H}_{24} \mathrm{O}_{6}$, a xanthone derivative, was isolated from Garcinia polyantha Oliver. The orientation of the 3,7-dimethylocta-2,6-dienyl substituent with respect to the xanthone ring system is (+)synclinal. The crystal packing is stabilized by $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ and $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ intermolecular hydrogen bonds and $\pi-\pi$ interactions.

## Comment

Garcinia polyantha Oliver (family Guttiferae), also known as false chew stick tree, is found in West Africa, where its resinous sap is utilized in folk medicines for preparing wound dressings (Dalziel, 1937). The genus Garcinia is known to contain the pharmacologically active xanthones as secondary metabolites. This important class of compounds exhibits a variety of activities, such as antimicrobial (Malet-Cascon et al., 2003), antifungal, monoamine-oxidase-inhibitory (Rocha et al., 1994), anti-oxidant (Minami et al., 1994), anti-inflammatory (Lin et al., 1996) and antitumour (Ho et al., 2002; Nkengfack et al., 2002) activities. The oxygenated xanthones are reported to have antimalarial (Kelly et al., 2002) and antiHIV activities (Groweiss et al., 2000). This paper presents the single-crystal X-ray structure analysis of the title compound, (I), a known compound (Komguem et al., 2005) isolated from Garcinia polyantha. Compound (I) is also reported to possess modest antibacterial activity (Komguem et al., 2005).

(I)

The xanthone ring system of (I) is planar, with a maximum deviation of 0.085 (2) $\AA$ A for atom C3. The hydroxyl atoms O1, $\mathrm{O} 2, \mathrm{O} 3$ and O 4 deviate from the xanthone mean plane by -0.046 (2), 0.202 (2), -0.023 (2) and 0.082 (2) A, respectively. There is electron delocalization in rings $A$ and $C$ of the xanthone moiety and, as a result, the $\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{C} 8 A[1.408$ (3) $\AA$ ] and $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 9 A[1.421$ (3) $\AA$ ] bonds are longer than the $\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{C} 8$ $[1.374$ (3) $\AA], \quad$ C7-C6 [1.384 (3) Å], C6-C5 [1.377 (3) Å], C1-C2 [1.383 (3) Å], C2-C3 [1.405 (3) A.], C3-C4 [1.385 (3) $\AA$ ] $]$ and $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{C} 4 A\left[1.368\right.$ (3) Å] bonds. The $\mathrm{C} 3^{\prime}-$ $\mathrm{C}^{\prime}-\mathrm{C}^{\prime} \quad\left[127.4(2)^{\circ}\right]$ and $\mathrm{C}^{\prime}-\mathrm{C}^{\prime}-\mathrm{C}^{\prime} \quad\left[128.8(2)^{\circ}\right]$ bond angles in the 3,7-dimethylocta-2,6-dienyl substituent deviate


Figure 1
The molecular structure of (I), showing $50 \%$ probability displacement ellipsoids and the atom-numbering scheme. Dashed lines indicate hydrogen bonds.
significantly from $120^{\circ}$. This may be as a result of $\mathrm{H} 10 A \cdots \mathrm{H}^{\prime} A$ [2.01 $\AA$ ] and $\mathrm{H}^{\prime} A \cdots \mathrm{H}^{\prime} A$ [2.05 $\AA$ ] close contacts. The 3,7 -dimethylocta-2,6-dienyl substituent is attached to the xanthone ring system at C 2 , with $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 2-$ $\mathrm{C}^{\prime}-\mathrm{C} 2^{\prime}=75.0(2)^{\circ}$, indicating a $(+)$ synclinal conformation.

As shown in Fig. 1, the $\mathrm{C1}^{\prime} A-\mathrm{H}^{\prime} A \cdots \mathrm{O} 2$ and $\mathrm{O} 3-$ $\mathrm{H} 1 \mathrm{O} 3 \cdots \mathrm{O} 6$ interactions generate rings of graph-set motif $S(5)$, while $\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 \mathrm{O} 1 \cdots \mathrm{O} 5$ and $\mathrm{O} 4-\mathrm{H} 1 \mathrm{O} 4 \cdots \mathrm{O} 5$ interactions generate rings of graph-set motif $S(6)$ (Bernstein et al., 1995). In the crystal structure, the molecules form O2$\mathrm{H} 1 \mathrm{O} 2 \cdots \mathrm{O} 3^{\mathrm{i}}$ hydrogen-bonded centrosymmetric dimers [with an $R_{2}^{2}(18)$ ring motif] (Fig. 2), which are inter-linked by O3$\mathrm{H} 1 \mathrm{O} 3 \cdots \mathrm{O} 4^{\mathrm{ii}}$ and $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{H} 4 A \cdots \mathrm{O} 5^{\mathrm{ii}}$ hydrogen bonds into a chain along the $b$ cell axis (see Table 1 for symmetry codes). In addition, the crystal structure is stabilized by $\pi-\pi$ interactions between inversion-related xanthone ring systems stacked along the $a$ axis. The centroid. $\cdot$ centroid distances between the rings are $C g 1 \cdots C g 1^{\mathrm{iii}}=3.523(1) \AA, \quad C g 1 \cdots C g 1^{\mathrm{iv}}=$ $3.649(1) \AA, \quad C g 1 \cdots C g 3^{\text {iv }}=3.686(1) \AA, \quad C g 2 \cdots C g 3^{\text {iii }}=$ 3.652 (1) $\AA$ and $C g 2 \cdots C g 3^{\text {iv }}=3.558$ (1) $\AA$ [symmetry codes: (iii) $-x, 1-y,-z$; (iv) $1-x, 1-y,-z]$, where $C g 1, C g 2$ and $C g 3$ are the centroids of the rings $\mathrm{O} 6 / \mathrm{C} 4 A / \mathrm{C} 9 A / \mathrm{C} 9 / \mathrm{C} 8 A /$ $\mathrm{C} 10 A, \mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 3 / \mathrm{C} 4 / \mathrm{C} 4 A / \mathrm{C} 9 A$ and $\mathrm{C} 5-\mathrm{C} 8 / \mathrm{C} 8 A / \mathrm{C} 10 A$, respectively.

## Experimental

Air-dried and pulverized twigs of Garcinia polyantha Oliver ( 2 kg ), collected from Mount Kala, Cameroon, were extracted exhaustively with methanol ( 10 l ). The combined extract was dried under reduced


Figure 2
The crystal packing of (I), showing $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ hydrogen-bonded (dashed lines) dimers.
pressure and a gummy residue ( 223.7 g ) was obtained. The crude methanolic extract was fractionated into hexane, dichloromethane, ethyl acetate and $n$-butanol extracts. The hexane extract $(23.6 \mathrm{~g})$ was fractionated over a silica-gel column with a hexane-dichloromethane and dichloromethane-methanol gradient. The fractions obtained at $1-2 \%$ methanol-dichloromethane, being similar, were pooled together. The yellow solid which settled at the bottom of the vessel was separated as a residue by filtering off the hexane-soluble portion. This residue ( 29.4 mg ) was subjected to column chromatography on silica gel using dichloromethane as eluent. The pure compound was isolated as a lemon-yellow solid which, upon recrystallization from a mixture of dichloromethane and methanol (9.9:0.1), gave yellow plate-like crystals of (I) ( 14.6 mg , m.p. 489-491 K).

## Crystal data

$\mathrm{C}_{23} \mathrm{H}_{24} \mathrm{O}_{6}$
$M_{r}=396.42$
Triclinic, $P \overline{1}$
$a=7.1217$ (13) $\AA$
$b=7.3672(14) \AA$
$c=18.959$ (3) $\AA$
$\alpha=98.319$ (3) ${ }^{\circ}$
$\beta=92.196(3)^{\circ}$
$\gamma=100.566(3)^{\circ}$
$V=965.4(3) \AA^{3}$

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\begin{aligned}
& Z=2 \\
& D_{x}=1.364 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{~m}^{-3}
\end{aligned}
$$

Mo $K \alpha$ radiation
Cell parameters from 6315 reflections
$\theta=1.1-25.0^{\circ}$
$\mu=0.10 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$
$T=293$ (2) K
Plate, yellow
$0.38 \times 0.18 \times 0.07 \mathrm{~mm}$

## Data collection

Siemens SMART CCD area-
detector diffractometer
$\omega$ scans
Absorption correction: multi-scan
(SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)
$T_{\text {min }}=0.964, T_{\text {max }}=0.993$
9351 measured reflections

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.056$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.165$
$S=1.07$
3387 reflections
282 parameters
H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement

3387 independent reflections
2794 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$
$R_{\text {int }}=0.019$
$\theta_{\text {max }}=25.0^{\circ}$
$h=-8 \rightarrow 8$
$k=-8 \rightarrow 8$
$l=-22 \rightarrow 22$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \begin{array}{l}
w=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{\mathrm{o}}^{2}\right)+(0.0942 P)^{2}\right. \\
\quad \\
\quad \quad 0.2431 P] \\
\quad \text { where } P=\left(F_{\mathrm{o}}^{2}+2 F_{\mathrm{c}}^{2}\right) / 3 \\
(\Delta / \sigma)_{\max }=0.006 \\
\Delta \rho_{\max }=0.58 \mathrm{e} \AA^{-3} \\
\Delta \rho_{\min }=-0.41 \mathrm{e}^{-3} \\
\text { Extinction correction: } S H E L X T L \\
\quad \text { (Sheldrick, 1997) } \\
\text { Extinction coefficient: } 0.043
\end{array} .(5)
\end{aligned}
$$

Table 1
Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\mathrm{A},{ }^{\circ}$ ).

| $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H}$ | $\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 \mathrm{O} 1 \cdots \mathrm{O}$ | 0.87 (3) | 1.80 (3) | 2.612 (2) | 153 (3) |
| $\mathrm{O} 2-\mathrm{H} 1 \mathrm{O} 2 \cdots \mathrm{O} 3^{\mathrm{i}}$ | 0.75 (4) | 2.48 (4) | 3.124 (2) | 144 (3) |
| $\mathrm{O} 3-\mathrm{H} 1 \mathrm{O} 3 \cdots \mathrm{O} 4^{\text {ii }}$ | 0.85 (3) | 2.03 (3) | 2.855 (2) | 164 (3) |
| O3-H1O3..O6 | 0.85 (3) | 2.38 (3) | 2.729 (2) | 105 (2) |
| O4- $\mathrm{H} 1 \mathrm{O} 4 \cdots \mathrm{O}$ | 0.89 (3) | 1.78 (3) | 2.607 (2) | 153 (3) |
| $\mathrm{C1}^{\prime}-\mathrm{H}_{1}{ }^{\prime} A \cdots \mathrm{O} 2$ | 0.97 | 2.42 | 2.826 (3) | 105 |
| $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{H} 4 A \cdots \mathrm{O} 5^{\text {ii }}$ | 0.93 | 2.49 | 3.200 (3) | 133 |

Symmetry codes: (i) $-x+1,-y+2,-z$; (ii) $x, y+1, z$.
Hydroxyl H atoms were located in a difference map and refined isotropically. All other H atoms were positioned geometrically $[\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}$ $=0.93-0.97 \AA$ A and allowed to ride on the parent atoms, with $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})$ $=1.5 U_{\mathrm{eq}}(\mathrm{C})$ for methyl H atoms and $1.2 U_{\mathrm{eq}}(\mathrm{C})$ for others. A rotating group model was used for the methyl groups.

Data collection: SMART (Siemens, 1996); cell refinement: SAINT (Siemens, 1996); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXTL; molecular graphics: SHELXTL; software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL and PLATON (Spek, 2003).

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