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#### **Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 296 KMean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.008 \text{ Å}$ Some non-H atoms missing R factor = 0.069 wR factor = 0.191 Data-to-parameter ratio = 16.3

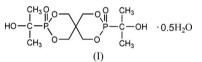
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# 3,9-Bis(2-hydroxy-2-propyl)-2,4,8,10tetraoxa-3,9-diphosphaspiro[5.5]undecane 3,9-dioxide hemihydrate

In the crystal structu of the title compound,  $C_{11}H_{22}O_8P_{2}$ . 0.5H<sub>2</sub>O, the asymmetric unit contains two spiro[5.5]undecane molecules and one water molecule. The structure is stabilized by intra- and intermolecular  $C-H\cdots O$  and  $O-H\cdots O$ hydrogen bonds.

## Comment

A pentaerythritol diphosphonate compound is capable of being used as a fire retardant agent and as a plasticizer (Tanabe *et al.*, 2005). The title compound, (I), has particular utility for flame retardant materials, which provide phosphorus as a component to reduce flammability (Levchik & Weil, 2005). We report here the crystal structure of (I).



The asymmetric unit of (I) contains two spiro[5.5]undecane molecules and one water molecule (Fig. 1). The bond lengths and angles are within normal ranges (Allen *et al.*, 1987).

The rings *A* (P1/O3/O4/C4–C6), *B* (P2/O5/O6/C6–C8), *C* (P3/O11/O12/C15–C17) and *D* (P4/O13/O14/C17–C19) have chair conformations with puckering parameters of  $Q_{\rm T}$  = 0.6168 (6) Å,  $\theta$  = 61.76 (5)°,  $\varphi$  = -64.80 (8)° for ring *A*,  $Q_{\rm T}$  = 1.2407 (25) Å,  $\theta$  = 175.58 (5)°,  $\varphi$  = 17.55 (55)° for ring *B*,  $Q_{\rm T}$  = 0.6142 (9) Å,  $\theta$  = 112.61 (8)°,  $\varphi$  = 115.65 (13)° for ring *C*, and  $Q_{\rm T}$  = 2.4984 (9) Å,  $\theta$  = 89.89 (2)°,  $\varphi$  = -90.35 (2)° for ring *D* (Cremer & Pople, 1975).

The crystal structure is stabilized by intra- and intermolecular  $C-H\cdots O$  and  $O-H\cdots O$  hydrogen bonds (Table 1).

## **Experimental**

The title compound was prepared in a one-step reaction of pentaerythritol dichlorophosphite (50.0 g, 189 mmol) (Hechenbleikner & Enlow, 1983) with formic acid (22.0 g, 478 mmol) and acetone (80 ml), heated with stirring at 300–323 K for 2 h (Brium, 1978). The reaction mixture was filtered and the resulting solid was washed with acetonitrile and acetone. Recrystallization from a mixture of glacial acetic acid/acetone (1:5) afforded a white powder. Crystals were obtained by dissolving the diphosphonate (0.4 g) in ethyl acetate (10 ml) and evaporating it slowly at room temperature for about 7 d.

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Crystal data
C11H22O8P2.0.5H2O
                                                      V = 1618.7 (6) Å<sup>3</sup>
M_r = 353.24
                                                     Z = 4
Triclinic, P1
                                                      D_x = 1.449 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}
a = 7.5500 (15) \text{ Å}
                                                     Mo K\alpha radiation
b = 10.539 (2) Å
                                                      \mu = 0.31 \text{ mm}^{-1}
c = 21.068 (4) Å
                                                      T = 296 (2) K
\alpha = 86.28 (3)^{\circ}
                                                     Block colorless
\beta = 82.40(3)^{\circ}
                                                     0.40 \times 0.20 \times 0.20 mm
\gamma = 77.11 \ (3)^{\circ}
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### Data collection

Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer  $\omega/2\theta$  scans Absorption correction:  $\psi$  scan (North *et al.*, 1968)  $T_{\min} = 0.929, T_{\max} = 0.941$ 6846 measured reflections

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.069$   $wR(F^2) = 0.191$  S = 1.01 6337 reflections 388 parameters H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement

 Table 1

 Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
OW−HWA···O15 <sup>i</sup>	0.79 (6)	2.06 (7)	2.823 (7)	163 (6)
$O1-H1A\cdots O15$	0.82	2.00	2.818 (5)	175
OW−HWB···O7 <sup>ii</sup>	0.82 (6)	2.34 (6)	2.706 (8)	108 (5)
$O8-H8A\cdots O2^{iii}$	0.82	1.97	2.785 (5)	175
$O9-H9A\cdots OW$	0.82	2.27	2.599 (8)	105
$O16-H16A\cdots O10^{iv}$	0.82	1.90	2.716 (5)	179
$C5-H5A\cdotsO8^{v}$	0.97	2.44	3.405 (7)	173
$C5-H5B\cdots O1$	0.97	2.51	3.106 (7)	120
$C7-H7C\cdots O2^{vi}$	0.97	2.47	3.332 (7)	148
C8−H8B···O8	0.97	2.59	3.155 (7)	117
C16−H16 <i>B</i> ···O9	0.97	2.50	3.056 (7)	117

Symmetry codes: (i) -x + 2, -y, -z; (ii) x, y, z - 1; (iii) -x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 1; (iv) -x + 1, -y + 1, -z; (v) -x + 2, -y + 1, -z + 1; (vi) x + 1, y, z.

The H atoms of water molecules were located in difference syntheses and refined  $[O_{water}-H=0.791 (19)-0.826 (19) \text{ Å}; U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(O)]$ . The remaining H atoms were positioned geometrically, with O-H = 0.82 Å and C-H = 0.96 and 0.97 Å for methyl and methylene H, respectively, and constrained to ride on their parent

6337 independent reflections 3535 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$  $R_{int} = 0.040$  $\theta_{max} = 26.0^{\circ}$ 3 standard reflections frequency: 120 min

 $w = \frac{1}{[\sigma^{2}(F_{o}^{2}) + (0.07P)^{2} + 2P]} \\ \text{where } P = (F_{o}^{2} + 2F_{c}^{2})/3 \\ (\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001 \\ \Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.44 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3} \\ \Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.42 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ 

intensity decay: 1%

### Figure 1

The asymmetric unit of the title molecule, with the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. Hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines.

atoms with  $U_{iso}(H) = xU_{eq}(C,O)$ , where x = 1.2 for methylene H and x = 1.5 for all other H.

Data collection: *CAD-4 Software* (Enraf–Nonius, 1985); cell refinement: *CAD-4 Software*; data reduction: *XCAD4* (Harms & Wocadlo, 1995); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Bruker, 2000); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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