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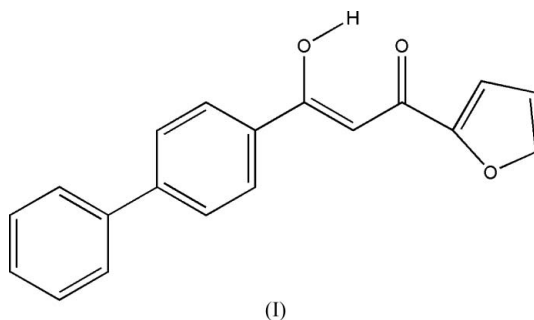
1-(2-Furyl)-3-hydroxy-3-(4-phenylphenyl)-prop-2-en-1-one

In the title compound, $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_3$, two independent molecules exist in the enol form with normal values for bond lengths and angles. The crystal packing is stabilized by van der Waals forces.

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Comment

1,3-Diketones have been studied extensively in coordination chemistry (Ma *et al.*, 1999; Yoshida *et al.*, 2005). These compounds are often used as intermediates in syntheses (Hasegawa *et al.*, 1997; Morris *et al.*, 1996). 1,3-Diketones generally exist in enol and keto forms; the enol form is stabilized by the stronger intramolecular hydrogen bond (Vila *et al.*, 1991). We present here the crystal structure of the title compound, (I), a new 1,3-diketone.



Two independent molecules of (I) (Fig. 1) exist in the enol form, stabilized by intramolecular hydrogen bonds (Table 1). The conformations of the two molecules are slightly different: the central benzene ring (C7–C12) makes dihedral angles of 27.66 (9) and 8.43 (11)° with rings C1–C6 and O3/C16–C19, respectively, in one molecule; the corresponding angles in the other molecule are 26.89 (10) and 18.36 (11)°, respectively. The crystal packing is stabilized by van der Waals forces.

Experimental

1-(Biphenyl-4-yl)ethanone (5.88 g, 0.03 mol), methyl furan-2-carboxylate (4.41 g, 0.035 mol), NaNH_2 (1.56 g, 0.04 mol) and dry diethyl ether (40 ml) were placed into round-bottomed flask. The mixture was stirred for 6 h at room temperature under nitrogen, and then acidified with dilute hydrochloric acid; stirring was continued until all solids had dissolved. The ether layer was separated and washed with saturated NaHCO_3 solution, dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 , and the solvent was removed by evaporation. The residual solid was recrystallized from ethanol to give the title compound (I) (yield 5.36 g, 61.6%; m.p. 381 K). Crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction were grown by slow evaporation of a CH_2Cl_2 –EtOH (2:1) solution at room temperature.

Crystal data

$C_{19}H_{14}O_3$
 $M_r = 290.30$
 Triclinic, $P\bar{1}$
 $a = 9.9489$ (10) Å
 $b = 10.4042$ (11) Å
 $c = 16.1706$ (17) Å
 $\alpha = 90.113$ (2)°
 $\beta = 100.547$ (3)°
 $\gamma = 116.292$ (3)°

$V = 1468.7$ (3) Å³
 $Z = 4$
 $D_x = 1.313$ Mg m⁻³
 Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 $\mu = 0.09$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 297$ (2) K
 Needle, yellow
 $0.30 \times 0.10 \times 0.06$ mm

Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer
 φ and ω scans
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)
 $T_{\min} = 0.983$, $T_{\max} = 0.994$

9454 measured reflections
 5972 independent reflections
 4868 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.022$
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 26.5^\circ$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.058$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.158$
 $S = 1.07$
 5972 reflections
 403 parameters
 H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0798P)^2 + 0.2029P]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.17$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.30$ e Å⁻³

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
$O4-H4A\cdots O5$	0.87 (1)	1.68 (2)	2.5026 (19)	157 (3)
$O1-H1A\cdots O2$	0.86 (1)	1.70 (2)	2.518 (2)	157 (3)

The C-bound H atoms were included in idealized positions ($C-H = 0.93$ Å) and allowed to ride during subsequent refinement, with $U_{\text{iso}}(H) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(C)$. Atoms H1A and H4A of the hydroxy groups were located in a difference Fourier map. In the free refinement, with $U_{\text{iso}}(H) = 1.5U_{\text{eq}}(O)$, atoms H1A and H4A were positioned between two O atoms with $O1-H1A = 0.99$ (3), $O2-H1A = 1.58$ (3), $O4-H4A = 1.09$ (2) and $O5-H4A = 1.46$ (2) Å; these bond lengths are in agreement with those observed in related structures involving tautomeric equilibrium (Bertolasi *et al.*, 1991; Gilli *et al.*, 2004; Wang *et al.*, 2006). However, in view of the room-temperature experiment, in the final refinement the hydroxy H atoms were refined with the restraint $O-H = 0.85$ (1) Å.

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 1997); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 1999); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine

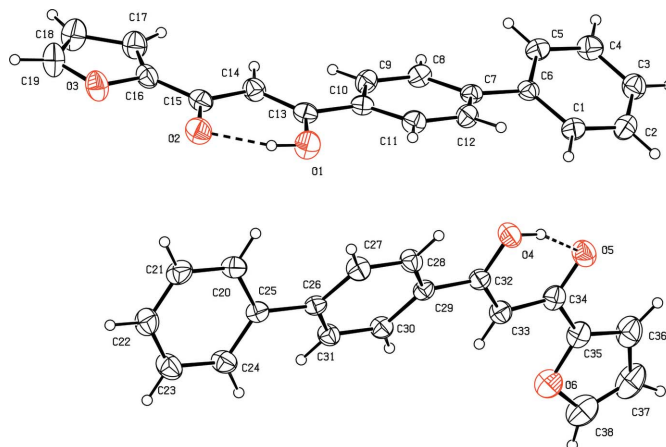


Figure 1

The asymmetric unit of (I), with the atom-labeling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. The dashed lines indicate the intramolecular hydrogen bonds.

structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: SHELXTL (Bruker, 2001); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL.

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