## Acta Crystallographica Section E <br> Structure Reports <br> Online <br> ISSN 1600-5368 <br> Redetermination of 9,10-dimethylanthracene

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; $T=290 \mathrm{~K}$; mean $\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.002 \mathrm{~A}$; disorder in main residue; $R$ factor $=0.045 ; w R$ factor $=0.137$; data-to-parameter ratio $=10.8$.

The crystal structure of the title compound, $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{14}$, was refined by Iball \& Low [Acta Cryst. (1974). B30, 2203-2205] to an $R$ value of 0.080 . The present redetermination confirms the previous study but with improved precision and with all H atoms located and refined. The atoms of the methyl group are disordered over two sites with occupancies 0.55 (3) and 0.45 (3). The molecular symmetry is $C_{i}$. The crystal structure is stabilized by van der Waals interactions.

## Related literature

For the previous structure determination, see: Iball \& Low (1974) [refcode DMANTR, Cambridge Structural Database, Version 5.28; Allen, 2002)].


## Experimental

Crystal data
$\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{14}$
$M_{r}=206.27$
Monoclinic, $P 2_{\mathrm{h}} / \mathrm{c}$
$a=7.8229$ (6) A
$b=5.3093$ (4) A
$c=13.4649(10) \AA$
$\beta=93.861(7)^{\circ}$

## Data collection

Oxford Diffraction Xcalibur3 CCD diffractometer
Absorption correction: analytical
(CrysAlis RED; Oxford
Diffraction, 2007)
$T_{\text {min }}=0.947, T_{\text {max }}=0.994$

## Refinement

$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.046 \quad \mathrm{H}$ atoms treated by a mixture of
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.137$
$S=1.11$
1003 reflections
93 parameters
$V=557.98(7) \AA^{3}$
$Z=2$
Mo $K \alpha$ radiation
$\mu=0.07 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$
$T=290(2) \mathrm{K}$
$0.50 \times 0.16 \times 0.04 \mathrm{~mm}$

3013 measured reflections 1003 independent reflections 692 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$ $R_{\text {int }}=0.020$

Data collection: CrysAlis CCD (Oxford Diffraction, 2007); cell refinement: CrysAlis RED (Oxford Diffraction, 2007); data reduction: CrysAlis RED; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: PLATON (Spek, 2003) and DIAMOND (Brandenburg, 2006); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

Supplementary data and figures for this paper are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: KP2114).

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## Comment

In the literature, there is a single paper related to the crystal structure of 9,10-dimethylanthracene (I) [Iball \& Low, 1974; CSD refcode DMANTR (Cambridge Structural Database, Version 5.28; Allen, 2002)]. In that determination, a reliability factor was $R=0.080$ for 712 data, and hydrogen atom coordinates were included in calculated positions without any refinement. However, the redetermination of (I) from recollected intensity data is presented here. The disorder of methyl group was detected over two sites (Fig. 1) with site occupancy factors 0.55 (3) and 0.45 (3). Apart from this disorder and the higher precision of the geometric parameters $[\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.002-0.003 \AA$ in the present work, compared with $0.009-0.012 \AA$ in the earlier work (Iball \& Low, 1974)], the results obtained agree well with the already published data. In the crystal structure of (I) the asymmetric unit consists of a half-molecule whereas the other half is generated by a centre of inversion. The molecule is planar with the largest r.m.s. deviation from the best least-square plane being 0.005 (1) $\AA$ for C5. The crystal packing is stabilized by van der Waals interactions (Fig. 2).

## Experimental

The crystals of (I) were obtained from the vapour in a specially constructed glass apparatus consisting of the two main parts, namely a cold copper plate used as a substrate and an electrically heated molybdenic boat, both equipped with the Fe/constantan thermocouples which allowed an independent control of the $T_{1}$ and $T_{2}$ temperatures of these parts, respectively. Under a low background pressure of $10^{-3}$ mbar, the crystals were nucleated at $311 \mathrm{~K} / 330 \mathrm{~K}\left(\mathrm{~T}_{1} / \mathrm{T}_{2}\right)$ and grown at $318 \mathrm{~K} / 330 \mathrm{~K}$.

## Refinement

All C-bound H atoms, except those on C 8 atom were included in the refinement at the geometrically calculated positions and refined using a riding model with $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}$ distances of $0.93 \AA$ and with $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=1.2 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{C})$. The H atoms of methyl group were located in a difference Fourier map and refined with $U_{\mathrm{iso}}(\mathrm{H})=1.5 U_{\mathrm{eq}}(\mathrm{C})$. These atoms were found to be disordered over two sites with refined occupancies of 0.55 (3): 0.45 (3).

Figures


Fig. 1. View of molecule of (I) showing the atom-numbering scheme and disordered H atoms of methyl group. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the $20 \%$ probability level and H atoms are shown as small spheres of arbitrary radii. Symetry code (a): $1-x,-y, 1-z$.

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Fig. 2. The crystal packing, viewed along the $a$ axis.

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$Z=2$
$F_{000}=220$
$D_{\mathrm{x}}=1.228 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$
Mo K $\alpha$ radiation
$\lambda=0.71073 \AA$
Cell parameters from 3013 reflections
$\theta=2.6-25.4^{\circ}$
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## Data collection

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3013 measured reflections

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$
Least-squares matrix: full
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.046$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.137$
$S=1.11$
1003 reflections

Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites
H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement
$w=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{\mathrm{o}}{ }^{2}\right)+(0.0784 P)^{2}+0.0148 P\right]$
where $P=\left(F_{\mathrm{o}}{ }^{2}+2 F_{\mathrm{c}}{ }^{2}\right) / 3$
$(\Delta / \sigma)_{\text {max }}<0.001$
$\Delta \rho_{\max }=0.17 \mathrm{e} \AA^{-3}$
$\Delta \rho_{\text {min }}=-0.17$ e $\AA^{-3}$

93 parameters
Extinction correction: SHELXL97,
$\mathrm{Fc}^{*}=\mathrm{kFc}\left[1+0.001 \mathrm{xFc}^{2} \lambda^{3} / \sin (2 \theta)\right]^{-1 / 4}$
Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods

Extinction coefficient: 0.13 (2)
Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map

## Special details

Geometry. All e.s.d.'s (except the e.s.d. in the dihedral angle between two 1.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell e.s.d.'s are taken into account individually in the estimation of e.s.d.'s in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between e.s.d.'s in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell e.s.d.'s is used for estimating e.s.d.'s involving 1.s. planes.
Refinement. Refinement of $\mathrm{F}^{2}$ against ALL reflections. The weighted $R$-factor $w R$ and goodness of fit S are based on $\mathrm{F}^{2}$, conventional $R$-factors $R$ are based on F , with F set to zero for negative $\mathrm{F}^{2}$. The threshold expression of $\mathrm{F}^{2}>2 \operatorname{sigma}\left(\mathrm{~F}^{2}\right)$ is used only for calculating $R$-factors(gt) etc. and is not relevant to the choice of reflections for refinement. $R$-factors based on $\mathrm{F}^{2}$ are statistically about twice as large as those based on F , and R - factors based on ALL data will be even larger.

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $A^{2}$ )

|  | $x$ | $y$ | $z$ | $U_{\text {iso }} / U_{\text {eq }}$ | Occ. ( $<1$ ) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| C1 | $0.1584(2)$ | $0.1546(3)$ | $0.30410(13)$ | $0.0641(5)$ |  |
| H1 | 0.0550 | 0.1503 | 0.2657 | $0.077^{*}$ |  |
| C2 | $0.1862(2)$ | $-0.0076(3)$ | $0.38108(13)$ | $0.0571(5)$ |  |
| H2 | 0.1008 | -0.1222 | 0.3944 | $0.069^{*}$ |  |
| C3 | $0.34228(18)$ | $-0.0089(2)$ | $0.44254(10)$ | $0.0464(5)$ |  |
| C4 | $0.62951(19)$ | $0.1785(2)$ | $0.47711(11)$ | $0.0468(5)$ |  |
| C5 | $0.47336(19)$ | $0.1693(2)$ | $0.41972(10)$ | $0.0464(5)$ |  |
| C6 | $0.4366(2)$ | $0.3365(3)$ | $0.33742(12)$ | $0.0580(5)$ |  |
| H6 | 0.5191 | 0.4533 | 0.3216 | $0.070^{*}$ |  |
| C7 | $0.2856(2)$ | $0.3297(3)$ | $0.28208(13)$ | $0.0649(6)$ |  |
| H7 | 0.2658 | 0.4412 | 0.2293 | $0.078^{*}$ |  |
| C8 | $0.7676(3)$ | $0.3651(4)$ | $0.45414(18)$ | $0.0626(6)$ | $0.55(3)$ |
| H8A | $0.798(6)$ | $0.474(9)$ | $0.514(4)$ | $0.094^{*}$ | $0.55(3)$ |
| H8B | $0.732(7)$ | $0.460(10)$ | $0.402(4)$ | $0.094^{*}$ | $0.55(3)$ |
| H8C | $0.871(7)$ | $0.268(9)$ | $0.440(4)$ | $0.094^{*}$ | $0.45(3)$ |
| H8D | $0.801(8)$ | $0.352(10)$ | $0.379(5)$ | $0.094^{*}$ | $0.45(3)$ |
| H8E | $0.876(9)$ | $0.355(11)$ | $0.495(4)$ | $0.094^{*}$ | $0.45(3)$ |
| H8F | $0.732(8)$ | $0.540(11)$ | $0.449(5)$ | $0.094^{*}$ |  |

Atomic displacement parameters $\left(A^{2}\right)$

|  | $U^{11}$ | $U^{22}$ | $U^{33}$ | $U^{12}$ | $U^{13}$ | $U^{23}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| C1 | $0.0578(11)$ | $0.0703(11)$ | $0.0630(11)$ | $0.0084(9)$ | $-0.0039(9)$ | $-0.0041(9)$ |
| C2 | $0.0506(9)$ | $0.0576(10)$ | $0.0629(10)$ | $-0.0015(7)$ | $0.0020(8)$ | $-0.0076(8)$ |
| C3 | $0.0471(9)$ | $0.0439(8)$ | $0.0487(9)$ | $0.0016(6)$ | $0.0077(7)$ | $-0.0091(6)$ |
| C4 | $0.0459(9)$ | $0.0446(8)$ | $0.0511(9)$ | $-0.0023(6)$ | $0.0116(7)$ | $-0.0077(6)$ |
| C5 | $0.0507(9)$ | $0.0422(8)$ | $0.0476(8)$ | $0.0021(6)$ | $0.0126(7)$ | $-0.0057(6)$ |
| C6 | $0.0615(11)$ | $0.0539(10)$ | $0.0596(10)$ | $0.0013(7)$ | $0.0109(8)$ | $0.0031(7)$ |


| C7 | $0.0689(12)$ | $0.0666(11)$ | $0.0592(10)$ | $0.0119(9)$ | $0.0048(9)$ | $0.0048(8)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| C8 | $0.0575(11)$ | $0.0609(11)$ | $0.0699(13)$ | $-0.0118(9)$ | $0.0093(10)$ | $0.0028(10)$ |

Geometric parameters $\left({ }_{A},^{\circ}\right)$

| C1-C2 | 1.354 (2) | C6-C7 | 1.355 (2) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C1-C7 | 1.408 (3) | C6-H6 | 0.9300 |
| C1-H1 | 0.9300 | C7-H7 | 0.9300 |
| C2-C3 | 1.428 (2) | C8-H8A | 1.00 (5) |
| C2-H2 | 0.9300 | С8-H8B | 0.90 (5) |
| C3-C4 ${ }^{\text {i }}$ | 1.414 (2) | C8-H8C | 0.99 (5) |
| C3-C5 | 1.443 (2) | C8-H8D | 1.07 (6) |
| C4-C5 | 1.402 (2) | C8-H8E | 0.98 (6) |
| C4-C8 | 1.513 (2) | C8-H8F | 0.97 (6) |
| C5-C6 | 1.434 (2) |  |  |
| C2- $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 7$ | 120.1 (2) | C4-C8-H8A | 110 (2) |
| C2- $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{H} 1$ | 119.9 | C4-C8-H8B | 110 (3) |
| C7- $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{H} 1$ | 119.9 | H8A-C8-H8B | 110 (4) |
| $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{C} 3$ | 122.3 (2) | C4-C8-H8C | 108 (3) |
| $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{H} 2$ | 118.9 | H8A-C8-H8C | 108 (4) |
| C3-C2-H2 | 118.9 | H8B-C8-H8C | 111 (4) |
| $\mathrm{C} 4{ }^{\mathrm{i}}-\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{C} 2$ | 122.0 (1) | C4-C8-H8D | 112 (3) |
| $\mathrm{C} 4{ }^{\mathrm{i}}-\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{C} 5$ | 120.3 (1) | H8A-C8-H8D | 137 (4) |
| C2-C3-C5 | 117.7 (1) | H8B-C8-H8D | 51 (3) |
| C5-C4-C3 ${ }^{\text {i }}$ | 119.0 (1) | H8C-C8-H8D | 62 (3) |
| C5-C4-C8 | 121.2 (2) | C4-C8-H8E | 117 (3) |
| $\mathrm{C} 3{ }^{\mathrm{i}}-\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{C} 8$ | 119.8 (2) | H8A-C8-H8E | 55 (3) |
| C4-C5-C6 | 121.7 (1) | H8B-C8-H8E | 133 (4) |
| C4-C5-C3 | 120.7 (1) | H8C-C8-H8E | 53 (3) |
| C6-C5-C3 | 117.5 (2) | H8D-C8-H8E | 106 (4) |
| C7-C6-C5 | 122.0 (2) | $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{H} 8 \mathrm{~F}$ | 116 (3) |
| C7-C6-H6 | 119.0 | H8A-C8-H8F | 63 (3) |
| C5-C6-H6 | 119.0 | H8B-C8-H8F | 48 (4) |
| C6-C7-C1 | 120.3 (2) | H8C-C8-H8F | 136 (4) |
| C6-C7-H7 | 119.8 | H8D-C8-H8F | 95 (4) |
| C1-C7-H7 | 119.8 | H8E-C8-H8F | 109 (4) |
| $\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{C} 3$ | 0.1 (2) | C2-C3-C5-C4 | 179.9 (1) |
| $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{C} 4^{\text {i }}$ | 179.9 (1) | $\mathrm{C} 4{ }^{\mathrm{i}}-\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{C} 5-\mathrm{C} 6$ | -179.9 (1) |
| C1-C2-C3-C5 | -0.5 (2) | C2-C3-C5-C6 | 0.6 (2) |
| $\mathrm{C} 3{ }^{\mathrm{i}}-\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{C} 5-\mathrm{C} 6$ | 179.8 (1) | C4-C5-C6-C7 | -179.6 (1) |
| C8-C4-C5-C6 | -0.5 (2) | C3-C5-C6-C7 | -0.2 (2) |
| C3 ${ }^{\text {i }}-\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{C} 5-\mathrm{C} 3$ | 0.5 (2) | C5-C6-C7-C1 | -0.2 (3) |
| C8-C4-C5-C3 | -179.8 (2) | $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{C} 6$ | 0.2 (3) |
| C4 ${ }^{\text {i }}$ - $3-\mathrm{C} 5-\mathrm{C} 4$ | -0.5 (2) |  |  |

Symmetry codes: (i) $-x+1,-y,-z+1$.

Fig. 1

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Fig. 2


