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1-[2,4-Bis(4-fluorophenoxy)phenyl]ethanone

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; T = 298 K; mean σ (C–C) = 0.004 Å; R factor = 0.068; wR factor = 0.198; data-to-parameter ratio = 12.3.

The title compound, C₂₀H₁₄F₂O₃, has been obtained in a search for new fluorine-containing compounds with better biological activity. The two fluorophenyl rings are oriented at angles of 64.03 (2) and 64.55 (3) $^{\circ}$ to the ethanone-substituted benzene ring. The structure is stabilized by $C-H \cdots O$ hydrogen bonds, in addition to van der Waals forces.

Related literature

For related literatures see: Allen et al. (1987); Thierry & Bernard (2002); Xu et al. (2007).



Experimental

Crystal data

$C_{20}H_{14}F_2O_3$	$\gamma = 95.68 \ (3)^{\circ}$
$M_r = 340.31$	V = 830.5 (3) Å ³
Triclinic, P1	Z = 2
a = 6.746 (2) Å	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
b = 9.573 (2) Å	$\mu = 0.11 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
c = 13.335 (3) Å	T = 298 (2) K
$\alpha = 100.52 \ (3)^{\circ}$	$0.30 \times 0.20 \times 0.18 \text{ mm}$
$\beta = 98.43 \ (3)^{\circ}$	

Data collection

Rigaku R-AXIS RAPID IP areadetector diffractometer Absorption correction: multi-scan (ABSCOR: Higashi, 1995) $T_{\min} = 0.969, T_{\max} = 0.981$

Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.068$	228 parameters
$wR(F^2) = 0.198$	H-atom parameters constrained
S = 1.11	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.21 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
2798 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.22 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

 $D - H \cdots A$ D - H $H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$ $D \cdots A$ $D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$ $C10-H10A\cdotsO1^{i}$ 0.93 2.46 3.376 (3) 167

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

Data collection: RAPID-AUTO (Rigaku, 2004); cell refinement: RAPID-AUTO; data reduction: RAPID-AUTO; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 2001); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXTL; molecular graphics: SHELXTL; software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL.

Supplementary data and figures for this paper are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: HG2280).

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Comment

Recently, interest in fluorine-containing compounds is continuously growing since fluorinated organic products present unique properties that are of great interest for a variety of applications (Thierry & Bernard, 2002). The title compound (I) was synthesized as a useful intermediate for the synthesis of compounds with better biological activity. We report here the crystal structure of (I).

In (I) (Fig. 1), all bond lengths and angles are normal (Allen *et al.*, 1987) and in a good agreement with those reported previously (Xu *et al.*, 2007). The two fluorophenyl rings (C9—C14) and (C15—C20) are oriented at angles of 64.03 (2) and 64.55 (3)°, respectively, to the ethanone substituted phenyl ring (C1—C6). The structure is stabilized by hydrogen bonds of C—H…O type, in addition to van der Waals forces.

Experimental

Acetyl chloride (10 mmol) was added dropwise to a solution of 1,3-bis(4-fluorophenoxy)benzene (10 mmol), aluminium oxide (13 mmol), carbon sulfide (20 ml) and the mixture was heated under reflux for 2 h. Then the mixture was extracted with CS_2 (15 ml) and the organic layer was washed with 50% NaOH solution and water. The excess CS_2 was removed on a water vacuum pump to obtain the final product (80% yield). Single crystals suitable for X-ray measurements were obtained by recrystallization from ethanol at room temperature.

Refinement

All H atoms were placed in calculated positions, with C—H = 0.93 or 0.96 Å, and included in the final cycles of refinement using a riding model, with $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2$ (1.5 for methyl groups) times $U_{eq}(C)$.

Figures



Fig. 1. View of the title compound (I), with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 40% probability level.



Fig. 2. A packing diagram of the molecule of the title compound. Hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines.

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Crystal data	
$C_{20}H_{14}F_2O_3$	Z = 2
$M_r = 340.31$	$F_{000} = 352$
Triclinic, <i>P</i> T	$D_{\rm x} = 1.361 {\rm ~Mg~m}^{-3}$
Hall symbol: -P 1	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å
a = 6.746 (2) Å	Cell parameters from 2755 reflections
b = 9.573 (2) Å	$\theta = 2.4 - 24.8^{\circ}$
c = 13.335 (3) Å	$\mu = 0.11 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\alpha = 100.52 \ (3)^{\circ}$	T = 298 (2) K
$\beta = 98.43 \ (3)^{\circ}$	Block, colorless
$\gamma = 95.68 \ (3)^{\circ}$	$0.30 \times 0.20 \times 0.18 \text{ mm}$
$V = 830.5 (3) \text{ Å}^3$	

Data collection

Rigaku R-AXIS RAPID IP area-detector diffractometer	2798 independent reflections
Radiation source: Rotating Anode	2258 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
Monochromator: graphite	$R_{\rm int} = 0.048$
T = 298(2) K	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.0^{\circ}$
ω scans	$\theta_{\min} = 2.9^{\circ}$
Absorption correction: multi-scan (ABSCOR; Higashi, 1995)	$h = -8 \rightarrow 8$
$T_{\min} = 0.969, \ T_{\max} = 0.981$	$k = -11 \rightarrow 10$
4425 measured reflections	$l = -15 \rightarrow 15$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites
Least-squares matrix: full	H-atom parameters constrained
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.068$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.098P)^2 + 0.2416P]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$wR(F^2) = 0.198$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$
<i>S</i> = 1.11	$\Delta \rho_{max} = 0.21 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$

2798 reflections

228 parameters

$$\begin{split} &\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.22 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3} \\ &\text{Extinction correction: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 2001),} \\ &\text{Fc}^* = \text{kFc}[1 + 0.001 \text{xFc}^2 \lambda^3 / \sin(2\theta)]^{-1/4} \end{split}$$

Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods 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 l.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 l.s. planes.

Refinement. Refinement of F^2 against ALL reflections. The weighted *R*-factor *wR* and goodness of fit S are based on F^2 , conventional *R*-factors *R* are based on F, with F set to zero for negative F^2 . The threshold expression of $F^2 > 2$ sigma(F^2) is used only for calculating *R*-factors(gt) *etc.* and is not relevant to the choice of reflections for refinement. *R*-factors based on 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	у	Ζ	$U_{\rm iso}*/U_{\rm eq}$
F1	0.8326 (3)	0.3501 (2)	-0.04283 (15)	0.0936 (7)
F2	1.0613 (4)	0.9902 (3)	0.1086 (2)	0.1280 (10)
01	0.1919 (3)	0.3955 (2)	0.54241 (14)	0.0695 (6)
O2	0.3463 (3)	0.3970 (2)	0.25339 (14)	0.0720 (6)
O3	0.4744 (4)	0.9133 (2)	0.34425 (18)	0.0815 (7)
C1	0.2820 (3)	0.5192 (3)	0.41566 (18)	0.0503 (6)
C2	0.3478 (4)	0.5248 (3)	0.32182 (18)	0.0515 (6)
C3	0.4082 (4)	0.6547 (3)	0.29566 (19)	0.0564 (7)
H3A	0.4445	0.6565	0.2312	0.068*
C4	0.4139 (4)	0.7808 (3)	0.3659 (2)	0.0595 (7)
C5	0.3509 (4)	0.7798 (3)	0.4596 (2)	0.0663 (8)
H5A	0.3520	0.8650	0.5063	0.080*
C6	0.2867 (4)	0.6510(3)	0.4826 (2)	0.0605 (7)
H6A	0.2442	0.6509	0.5459	0.073*
C7	0.2111 (3)	0.3868 (3)	0.45263 (19)	0.0552 (7)
C8	0.1539 (6)	0.2446 (4)	0.3795 (3)	0.0796 (9)
H8A	0.0834	0.1786	0.4125	0.119*
H8B	0.2737	0.2079	0.3610	0.119*
H8C	0.0679	0.2563	0.3184	0.119*
C9	0.4752 (4)	0.3906 (3)	0.17958 (19)	0.0542 (7)
C10	0.6793 (5)	0.4384 (3)	0.2068 (2)	0.0611 (7)
H10A	0.7348	0.4790	0.2752	0.073*
C11	0.8014 (5)	0.4251 (3)	0.1309 (2)	0.0648 (7)
H11A	0.9391	0.4576	0.1470	0.078*
C12	0.7127 (5)	0.3626 (3)	0.0316 (2)	0.0610 (7)
C13	0.5120 (5)	0.3126 (3)	0.0045 (2)	0.0629 (7)
H13A	0.4578	0.2693	-0.0636	0.075*

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C14	0.3894 (4)	0.3270 (3)	0.07976 (19)	0.0572 (7)
H14A	0.2519	0.2943	0.0629	0.069*
C15	0.6225 (5)	0.9241 (3)	0.2822 (2)	0.0650 (8)
C16	0.7975 (5)	0.8591 (3)	0.2959 (2)	0.0708 (8)
H16A	0.8162	0.8025	0.3454	0.085*
C17	0.9435 (5)	0.8794 (4)	0.2352 (3)	0.0788 (9)
H17A	1.0593	0.8342	0.2414	0.095*
C18	0.9138 (6)	0.9673 (4)	0.1659 (3)	0.0812 (10)
C19	0.7423 (6)	1.0335 (3)	0.1517 (3)	0.0858 (11)
H19A	0.7262	1.0919	0.1033	0.103*
C20	0.5954 (6)	1.0112 (3)	0.2107 (3)	0.0770 (9)
H20A	0.4784	1.0547	0.2025	0.092*

Atomic displacement parameters (\AA^2)

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
F1	0.1111 (15)	0.1002 (14)	0.0762 (12)	0.0141 (12)	0.0497 (11)	0.0073 (10)
F2	0.126 (2)	0.146 (2)	0.1240 (19)	-0.0163 (17)	0.0406 (16)	0.0590 (17)
01	0.0619 (12)	0.0960 (15)	0.0501 (11)	-0.0013 (10)	0.0122 (9)	0.0167 (10)
O2	0.1009 (15)	0.0544 (11)	0.0554 (11)	-0.0125 (10)	0.0350 (11)	-0.0076 (9)
O3	0.1117 (18)	0.0508 (11)	0.0873 (15)	0.0160 (11)	0.0374 (13)	0.0076 (10)
C1	0.0400 (12)	0.0630 (15)	0.0437 (13)	0.0040 (11)	0.0045 (9)	0.0029 (11)
C2	0.0526 (13)	0.0534 (14)	0.0437 (13)	0.0027 (11)	0.0074 (10)	0.0003 (10)
C3	0.0668 (16)	0.0562 (15)	0.0453 (13)	0.0082 (12)	0.0114 (11)	0.0061 (11)
C4	0.0660 (16)	0.0512 (14)	0.0591 (16)	0.0091 (12)	0.0098 (12)	0.0050 (12)
C5	0.0694 (17)	0.0626 (17)	0.0623 (17)	0.0104 (14)	0.0189 (14)	-0.0069 (13)
C6	0.0534 (15)	0.0759 (18)	0.0490 (14)	0.0067 (13)	0.0156 (11)	-0.0006 (13)
C7	0.0398 (12)	0.0766 (17)	0.0469 (14)	-0.0005 (12)	0.0065 (10)	0.0115 (12)
C8	0.092 (2)	0.0726 (19)	0.0683 (18)	-0.0170 (17)	0.0211 (16)	0.0073 (15)
С9	0.0776 (18)	0.0418 (12)	0.0442 (13)	0.0043 (12)	0.0200 (12)	0.0052 (10)
C10	0.0772 (18)	0.0581 (15)	0.0436 (13)	0.0074 (14)	0.0055 (12)	0.0030 (11)
C11	0.0667 (17)	0.0605 (16)	0.0672 (17)	0.0096 (13)	0.0137 (14)	0.0099 (13)
C12	0.084 (2)	0.0541 (15)	0.0503 (15)	0.0157 (14)	0.0269 (14)	0.0090 (12)
C13	0.090 (2)	0.0548 (15)	0.0398 (13)	0.0043 (14)	0.0112 (13)	0.0005 (11)
C14	0.0724 (17)	0.0460 (13)	0.0495 (14)	0.0006 (12)	0.0097 (12)	0.0045 (11)
C15	0.089 (2)	0.0406 (13)	0.0598 (16)	-0.0016 (14)	0.0094 (14)	0.0027 (12)
C16	0.087 (2)	0.0630 (17)	0.0603 (17)	-0.0003 (16)	0.0029 (15)	0.0208 (13)
C17	0.0735 (19)	0.079 (2)	0.083 (2)	-0.0035 (16)	0.0030 (16)	0.0288 (17)
C18	0.094 (2)	0.073 (2)	0.072 (2)	-0.0183 (19)	0.0111 (17)	0.0231 (16)
C19	0.120 (3)	0.0581 (18)	0.077 (2)	-0.0054 (19)	0.004 (2)	0.0274 (16)
C20	0.101 (2)	0.0448 (15)	0.083 (2)	0.0085 (15)	0.0073 (18)	0.0136 (14)

Geometric parameters	(Å,	°)
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F1—C12	1.365 (3)	C9—C14	1.373 (4)
F2	1.366 (4)	C9—C10	1.380 (4)
O1—C7	1.212 (3)	C10—C11	1.392 (4)
O2—C2	1.384 (3)	C10—H10A	0.9300
O2—C9	1.403 (3)	C11—C12	1.370 (4)

O3—C4	1.388 (3)	C11—H11A	0.9300
O3—C15	1.395 (4)	C12—C13	1.363 (4)
C1—C2	1.396 (3)	C13—C14	1.387 (4)
C1—C6	1.401 (4)	C13—H13A	0.9300
C1—C7	1.502 (4)	C14—H14A	0.9300
C2—C3	1.391 (4)	C15—C20	1.381 (4)
C3—C4	1.380 (4)	C15—C16	1.392 (5)
С3—НЗА	0.9300	C16—C17	1.385 (4)
C4—C5	1.379 (4)	C16—H16A	0.9300
C5—C6	1.369 (4)	C17—C18	1.365 (5)
С5—Н5А	0.9300	C17—H17A	0.9300
С6—Н6А	0.9300	C18—C19	1.378 (5)
С7—С8	1.501 (4)	C19—C20	1.376 (5)
C8—H8A	0.9600	C19—H19A	0.9300
C8—H8B	0.9600	C20—H20A	0.9300
C8—H8C	0.9600		
$C^{2}-C^{2}$	119 45 (19)	C9—C10—H10A	120.3
$C_{2}^{-} = C_{2}^{-} = C_{2}^{-}$	119.13(19) 118.9(2)	C_{11} C_{10} H_{10A}	120.3
C_{2} C_{1} C_{1	116.3 (2)	C_{12} C_{11} C_{10} C_{10}	120.5 118.0(3)
$C_2 C_1 C_3$	110.5(2) 126.7(2)	C_{12} C_{11} H_{11A}	121.0
$C_{2} = C_{1} = C_{7}$	120.7(2)		121.0
C_{0}	117.0(2) 120.4(2)	C_{10} C_{12} C_{12} E_{1}	121.0
02 - 02 - 03	120.4(2)	$C_{13} = C_{12} = C_{11}$	119.1(2)
$C_2 = C_2 = C_1$	110.2(2) 121.4(2)	$E_{13} = E_{12} = E_{11}$	123.0(3)
$C_{3} = C_{2} = C_{1}$	121.4(2)	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	117.9 (3)
C4 = C3 = C2	119.0 (2)	$C_{12} = C_{13} = C_{14}$	119.2 (2)
C_{4}	120.2	C12C13H13A	120.4
C2-C3-H3A	120.2	C14 - C13 - HISA	120.4
$C_{3} = C_{4} = C_{3}$	120.7 (3)	$C_9 = C_1 4 = C_{13}$	118.7 (3)
$C_{3} = C_{4} = 0_{3}$	117.2 (2)	C9—C14—H14A	120.7
$C_{3} = C_{4} = 0_{3}$	122.0 (2)	C13C14H14A	120.7
$C_{0} = C_{0} = C_{0}$	118.7 (2)	$C_{20} = C_{15} = C_{16}$	120.8 (3)
C6—C5—H5A	120.6	C20C15O3	117.0 (3)
C4—C5—H5A	120.6	C16C15	122.1 (3)
C5-C6-C1	123.3 (2)	C17—C16—C15	119.4 (3)
С5—С6—Н6А	118.4	С1/—С16—Н16А	120.3
С1—С6—Н6А	118.4	С15—С16—Н16А	120.3
01	119.0 (3)	C18—C17—C16	118.5 (3)
O1—C7—C1	119.5 (2)	C18—C17—H17A	120.7
C8—C7—C1	121.4 (2)	С16—С17—Н17А	120.7
С7—С8—Н8А	109.5	C17—C18—F2	118.1 (4)
С7—С8—Н8В	109.5	C17—C18—C19	122.9 (3)
H8A—C8—H8B	109.5	F2—C18—C19	119.0 (3)
С7—С8—Н8С	109.5	C20—C19—C18	118.6 (3)
H8A—C8—H8C	109.5	С20—С19—Н19А	120.7
H8B—C8—H8C	109.5	С18—С19—Н19А	120.7
C14—C9—C10	121.8 (2)	C19—C20—C15	119.7 (3)
C14—C9—O2	116.4 (2)	С19—С20—Н20А	120.1
C10—C9—O2	121.8 (2)	С15—С20—Н20А	120.1
C9—C10—C11	119.3 (2)		

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C9—O2—C2—C3	25.4 (4)	C14—C9—C10—C11	1.6 (4)
C9—O2—C2—C1	-156.4 (2)	O2—C9—C10—C11	177.9 (2)
C6—C1—C2—O2	179.8 (2)	C9-C10-C11-C12	-0.9 (4)
C7—C1—C2—O2	1.1 (4)	C10-C11-C12-C13	-0.4 (4)
C6—C1—C2—C3	-2.0 (4)	C10-C11-C12-F1	179.8 (2)
C7—C1—C2—C3	179.3 (2)	F1-C12-C13-C14	-179.1 (2)
O2—C2—C3—C4	-178.3 (2)	C11—C12—C13—C14	1.1 (4)
C1—C2—C3—C4	3.5 (4)	C10-C9-C14-C13	-0.9 (4)
C2—C3—C4—C5	-3.2 (4)	O2—C9—C14—C13	-177.4 (2)
C2—C3—C4—O3	179.5 (3)	C12—C13—C14—C9	-0.4 (4)
C15—O3—C4—C5	149.4 (3)	C4—O3—C15—C20	139.8 (3)
C15—O3—C4—C3	-33.2 (4)	C4-03-C15-C16	-44.8 (4)
C3—C4—C5—C6	1.4 (4)	C20-C15-C16-C17	-1.7 (4)
O3—C4—C5—C6	178.9 (3)	O3—C15—C16—C17	-176.9 (3)
C4—C5—C6—C1	0.1 (4)	C15-C16-C17-C18	2.3 (5)
C2—C1—C6—C5	0.2 (4)	C16—C17—C18—F2	178.0 (3)
C7—C1—C6—C5	179.0 (3)	C16—C17—C18—C19	-1.9 (5)
C2-C1-C7-O1	167.1 (2)	C17—C18—C19—C20	0.7 (5)
C6—C1—C7—O1	-11.5 (4)	F2-C18-C19-C20	-179.2 (3)
C2—C1—C7—C8	-15.8 (4)	C18—C19—C20—C15	0.0 (5)
C6—C1—C7—C8	165.5 (3)	C16—C15—C20—C19	0.5 (4)
C2—O2—C9—C14	-132.5 (3)	O3-C15-C20-C19	175.9 (3)
C2—O2—C9—C10	51.0 (4)		

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

D—H···A	<i>D</i> —Н	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D -\!\!\!-\!\!\!-\!\!\!\!-\!\!\!\!\!-\!\!\!\!\!\!-\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!$
C10—H10A···O1 ⁱ	0.93	2.46	3.376 (3)	167
Symmetry codes: (i) $-x+1, -y+1, -z+1$.				





