

## 2,6-Bis(2,4-dichlorobenzylidene)cyclohexanone

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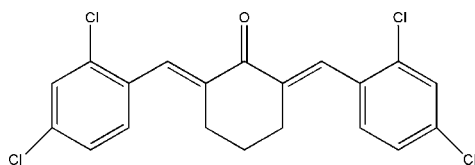
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 293$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.004$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.050;  $wR$  factor = 0.118; data-to-parameter ratio = 20.2.

The title compound,  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{14}\text{Cl}_4\text{O}$ , was prepared from a mixture of 2,4-dichlorobenzophenone and cyclohexanone. The dihedral angles formed by the cyclohexane ring and two benzene rings are  $39.18(2)$  and  $60.72(2)^\circ$ . There are some weak intramolecular  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  and  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{Cl}$  hydrogen-bond contacts in the crystal structure.

### Related literature

For related literature, see: Butcher *et al.* (2006); Deli *et al.* (1984); Jia *et al.* (1989); Yu *et al.* (2000).



### Experimental

#### Crystal data

$\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{14}\text{Cl}_4\text{O}$   
 $M_r = 412.11$   
Orthorhombic,  $Pbca$   
 $a = 14.469(2)$  Å

$b = 8.0602(12)$  Å  
 $c = 31.554(4)$  Å  
 $V = 3679.9(9)$  Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 8$

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 0.65$  mm<sup>-1</sup>

$T = 293(2)$  K  
 $0.20 \times 0.15 \times 0.10$  mm

#### Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer  
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 1997)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.881$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.938$   
21985 measured reflections  
4570 independent reflections  
2735 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.053$

#### Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.050$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.118$   
 $S = 1.03$   
4570 reflections  
226 parameters  
H-atom parameters constrained  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.24$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.28$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

**Table 1**

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-\text{H}\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}$	$\text{H}\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}\cdots A$
$\text{C7}-\text{H7A}\cdots\text{Cl2}$	0.93	2.74	3.055 (2)	101
$\text{C7}-\text{H7A}\cdots\text{O1}$	0.93	2.33	2.732 (3)	105
$\text{C14}-\text{H14A}\cdots\text{O1}$	0.93	2.39	2.759 (3)	103

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 1997); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 1997); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 2008); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL.

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### Comment

As useful precursors to potentially bioactive pyrimidine derivatives, a,a-bis(substituted benzylidene) cycloalkanones have attracted considerable attention for many years (Deli *et al.*, 1984). In recent years, a series of non-linear optically active bis(benzylidene) ketones have been synthesized (Yu *et al.*, 2000). As part of our search for new non-linear optically active compounds, we synthesized the title compound (I), and describe its structure here.

In the structure of (I) (Fig. 1), all of the bond lengths and bond angles fall in the normal range (Yu *et al.*, 2000; Jia *et al.*, 1989; Butcher *et al.*, 2006). There are some weak C—H $\cdots$ O and C—H $\cdots$ Cl intramolecular hydrogen bonds in the crystal structure.

### Experimental

A mixture of the 2,4-dichlorobenzophenone (0.2 mol), and cyclohexanone (0.1 mol) and 10% NaOH (10 ml) was stirred in ethanol (30 mL) for 5 h to afford the title compound [yield: 82%]. Single crystals suitable for X-ray measurements were obtained by recrystallization from ethanol at room temperature.

### Refinement

H atoms were fixed geometrically and allowed to ride on their attached atoms, with C—H = 0.93–0.97 Å, and with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ .

### Figures

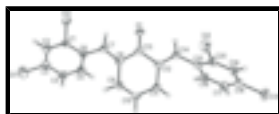


Fig. 1. The structure of the title compound, showing 30% probability displacement ellipsoids and the atom-numbering scheme.

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$\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans	$\theta_{\text{min}} = 1.3^\circ$
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 1997)	$h = -19 \rightarrow 18$
$T_{\text{min}} = 0.881, T_{\text{max}} = 0.938$	$k = -10 \rightarrow 10$
21985 measured reflections	$l = -19 \rightarrow 42$

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map
Least-squares matrix: full	Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.050$	H-atom parameters constrained
$wR(F^2) = 0.118$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0381P)^2 + 1.6278P]$
$S = 1.03$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
4570 reflections	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$
226 parameters	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.24 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods	$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.28 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
	Extinction correction: none

## 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  $F^2 > \sigma(F^2)$  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 ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )

	$x$	$y$	$z$	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
C11	-0.37152 (7)	0.07869 (15)	-0.49524 (3)	0.1044 (4)
C12	-0.51233 (4)	0.04759 (9)	-0.33808 (2)	0.05594 (19)

C13	0.06595 (6)	0.60906 (12)	-0.04572 (3)	0.0852 (3)
C14	-0.21635 (6)	0.20911 (12)	-0.08713 (2)	0.0825 (3)
O1	-0.36351 (10)	0.3253 (2)	-0.22630 (5)	0.0557 (5)
C1	-0.42738 (15)	0.1234 (3)	-0.37207 (8)	0.0468 (6)
C2	-0.43315 (18)	0.0787 (4)	-0.41435 (8)	0.0578 (7)
H2A	-0.4804	0.0098	-0.4238	0.069*
C3	-0.36783 (19)	0.1381 (4)	-0.44228 (9)	0.0635 (8)
C4	-0.29917 (19)	0.2442 (4)	-0.42879 (9)	0.0663 (8)
H4A	-0.2572	0.2881	-0.4481	0.080*
C5	-0.29343 (17)	0.2844 (4)	-0.38653 (9)	0.0592 (7)
H5A	-0.2465	0.3550	-0.3776	0.071*
C6	-0.35581 (16)	0.2229 (3)	-0.35643 (8)	0.0466 (6)
C7	-0.34846 (15)	0.2620 (3)	-0.31106 (8)	0.0461 (6)
H7A	-0.4041	0.2752	-0.2967	0.055*
C8	-0.27162 (14)	0.2811 (3)	-0.28761 (8)	0.0419 (6)
C9	-0.17413 (14)	0.2600 (3)	-0.30424 (8)	0.0499 (6)
H9A	-0.1571	0.3581	-0.3202	0.060*
H9B	-0.1727	0.1661	-0.3235	0.060*
C10	-0.10328 (15)	0.2324 (3)	-0.26939 (8)	0.0502 (6)
H10A	-0.1142	0.1261	-0.2559	0.060*
H10B	-0.0417	0.2310	-0.2815	0.060*
C11	-0.11002 (15)	0.3693 (3)	-0.23677 (8)	0.0457 (6)
H11A	-0.0612	0.3563	-0.2160	0.055*
H11B	-0.1020	0.4760	-0.2505	0.055*
C12	-0.20266 (14)	0.3642 (3)	-0.21491 (8)	0.0412 (5)
C13	-0.28552 (15)	0.3230 (3)	-0.24158 (7)	0.0423 (6)
C14	-0.21556 (16)	0.3858 (3)	-0.17333 (8)	0.0466 (6)
H14A	-0.2751	0.3680	-0.1632	0.056*
C15	-0.14545 (15)	0.4349 (3)	-0.14198 (8)	0.0443 (6)
C16	-0.08247 (16)	0.5614 (3)	-0.15088 (8)	0.0512 (6)
H16A	-0.0840	0.6112	-0.1775	0.061*
C17	-0.01834 (18)	0.6150 (3)	-0.12186 (8)	0.0554 (7)
H17A	0.0227	0.6995	-0.1288	0.067*
C18	-0.01524 (17)	0.5426 (3)	-0.08242 (8)	0.0539 (7)
C19	-0.07653 (18)	0.4177 (3)	-0.07173 (8)	0.0555 (7)
H19A	-0.0746	0.3691	-0.0450	0.067*
C20	-0.14056 (17)	0.3665 (3)	-0.10137 (8)	0.0490 (6)

Atomic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
C11	0.1071 (7)	0.1580 (10)	0.0482 (5)	-0.0068 (7)	0.0000 (5)	-0.0108 (5)
C12	0.0381 (3)	0.0687 (4)	0.0610 (4)	-0.0027 (3)	0.0010 (3)	0.0002 (3)
C13	0.0747 (5)	0.1149 (7)	0.0660 (5)	-0.0291 (5)	-0.0131 (4)	-0.0144 (5)
C14	0.0959 (6)	0.0945 (6)	0.0572 (5)	-0.0482 (5)	-0.0024 (4)	0.0122 (4)
O1	0.0313 (9)	0.0847 (14)	0.0509 (10)	-0.0009 (8)	0.0073 (8)	0.0041 (10)
C1	0.0355 (13)	0.0554 (16)	0.0497 (15)	0.0080 (11)	-0.0013 (11)	0.0045 (12)
C2	0.0506 (16)	0.0682 (19)	0.0546 (17)	0.0054 (13)	-0.0080 (13)	-0.0023 (14)

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C3	0.0559 (17)	0.090 (2)	0.0445 (15)	0.0099 (16)	-0.0043 (14)	-0.0017 (15)
C4	0.0524 (16)	0.093 (2)	0.0531 (17)	0.0033 (16)	0.0063 (14)	0.0141 (16)
C5	0.0459 (15)	0.077 (2)	0.0549 (17)	-0.0076 (13)	-0.0001 (13)	0.0080 (15)
C6	0.0355 (12)	0.0555 (15)	0.0488 (15)	0.0069 (11)	-0.0019 (11)	0.0027 (12)
C7	0.0335 (12)	0.0547 (15)	0.0501 (15)	0.0002 (10)	0.0026 (11)	0.0034 (12)
C8	0.0331 (12)	0.0459 (14)	0.0468 (14)	-0.0012 (10)	0.0041 (10)	0.0056 (11)
C9	0.0331 (12)	0.0648 (17)	0.0517 (15)	-0.0026 (11)	0.0061 (11)	-0.0020 (13)
C10	0.0318 (12)	0.0576 (16)	0.0612 (16)	0.0049 (11)	0.0045 (12)	-0.0007 (13)
C11	0.0316 (12)	0.0537 (15)	0.0518 (15)	-0.0006 (11)	-0.0006 (11)	0.0023 (12)
C12	0.0327 (12)	0.0436 (14)	0.0473 (14)	0.0007 (10)	0.0024 (11)	0.0048 (11)
C13	0.0331 (12)	0.0458 (14)	0.0481 (14)	0.0018 (10)	0.0034 (11)	0.0096 (11)
C14	0.0340 (12)	0.0552 (15)	0.0507 (15)	-0.0003 (11)	0.0016 (11)	0.0050 (12)
C15	0.0370 (12)	0.0527 (15)	0.0431 (14)	0.0021 (11)	0.0027 (11)	-0.0019 (12)
C16	0.0490 (14)	0.0575 (16)	0.0471 (15)	-0.0007 (12)	0.0020 (12)	0.0047 (13)
C17	0.0513 (15)	0.0566 (17)	0.0583 (17)	-0.0101 (13)	0.0042 (13)	-0.0005 (14)
C18	0.0484 (14)	0.0633 (17)	0.0499 (16)	-0.0018 (13)	-0.0033 (12)	-0.0111 (14)
C19	0.0629 (17)	0.0642 (18)	0.0393 (14)	-0.0059 (14)	-0.0008 (12)	-0.0001 (13)
C20	0.0487 (14)	0.0513 (16)	0.0469 (15)	-0.0062 (12)	0.0052 (12)	-0.0013 (12)

### Geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ , $^\circ$ )

C11—C3	1.739 (3)	C9—H9B	0.9700
C12—C1	1.742 (2)	C10—C11	1.512 (3)
C13—C18	1.735 (3)	C10—H10A	0.9700
C14—C20	1.736 (3)	C10—H10B	0.9700
O1—C13	1.227 (2)	C11—C12	1.508 (3)
C1—C2	1.384 (3)	C11—H11A	0.9700
C1—C6	1.400 (3)	C11—H11B	0.9700
C2—C3	1.378 (4)	C12—C14	1.337 (3)
C2—H2A	0.9300	C12—C13	1.502 (3)
C3—C4	1.378 (4)	C14—C15	1.471 (3)
C4—C5	1.375 (4)	C14—H14A	0.9300
C4—H4A	0.9300	C15—C16	1.396 (3)
C5—C6	1.401 (3)	C15—C20	1.397 (3)
C5—H5A	0.9300	C16—C17	1.373 (3)
C6—C7	1.470 (3)	C16—H16A	0.9300
C7—C8	1.345 (3)	C17—C18	1.375 (4)
C7—H7A	0.9300	C17—H17A	0.9300
C8—C13	1.504 (3)	C18—C19	1.383 (4)
C8—C9	1.515 (3)	C19—C20	1.380 (3)
C9—C10	1.520 (3)	C19—H19A	0.9300
C9—H9A	0.9700		
C2—C1—C6	122.2 (2)	H10A—C10—H10B	108.2
C2—C1—C12	117.4 (2)	C12—C11—C10	110.4 (2)
C6—C1—C12	120.4 (2)	C12—C11—H11A	109.6
C3—C2—C1	119.0 (3)	C10—C11—H11A	109.6
C3—C2—H2A	120.5	C12—C11—H11B	109.6
C1—C2—H2A	120.5	C10—C11—H11B	109.6
C2—C3—C4	120.8 (3)	H11A—C11—H11B	108.1

C2—C3—C11	119.9 (2)	C14—C12—C13	117.9 (2)
C4—C3—C11	119.3 (2)	C14—C12—C11	124.7 (2)
C5—C4—C3	119.3 (3)	C13—C12—C11	117.3 (2)
C5—C4—H4A	120.3	O1—C13—C12	120.7 (2)
C3—C4—H4A	120.3	O1—C13—C8	120.4 (2)
C4—C5—C6	122.4 (3)	C12—C13—C8	118.93 (19)
C4—C5—H5A	118.8	C12—C14—C15	126.8 (2)
C6—C5—H5A	118.8	C12—C14—H14A	116.6
C1—C6—C5	116.1 (2)	C15—C14—H14A	116.6
C1—C6—C7	121.3 (2)	C16—C15—C20	116.1 (2)
C5—C6—C7	122.5 (2)	C16—C15—C14	120.7 (2)
C8—C7—C6	128.4 (2)	C20—C15—C14	123.1 (2)
C8—C7—H7A	115.8	C17—C16—C15	122.5 (2)
C6—C7—H7A	115.8	C17—C16—H16A	118.8
C7—C8—C13	116.5 (2)	C15—C16—H16A	118.8
C7—C8—C9	124.5 (2)	C16—C17—C18	119.5 (2)
C13—C8—C9	118.96 (19)	C16—C17—H17A	120.3
C8—C9—C10	113.2 (2)	C18—C17—H17A	120.3
C8—C9—H9A	108.9	C17—C18—C19	120.6 (2)
C10—C9—H9A	108.9	C17—C18—C13	119.7 (2)
C8—C9—H9B	108.9	C19—C18—C13	119.8 (2)
C10—C9—H9B	108.9	C20—C19—C18	118.9 (2)
H9A—C9—H9B	107.8	C20—C19—H19A	120.6
C11—C10—C9	110.0 (2)	C18—C19—H19A	120.6
C11—C10—H10A	109.7	C19—C20—C15	122.5 (2)
C9—C10—H10A	109.7	C19—C20—C14	117.9 (2)
C11—C10—H10B	109.7	C15—C20—C14	119.59 (19)
C9—C10—H10B	109.7		
C6—C1—C2—C3	-1.9 (4)	C11—C12—C13—O1	-176.1 (2)
C12—C1—C2—C3	179.2 (2)	C14—C12—C13—C8	-173.9 (2)
C1—C2—C3—C4	-1.9 (4)	C11—C12—C13—C8	3.0 (3)
C1—C2—C3—C11	178.0 (2)	C7—C8—C13—O1	5.7 (3)
C2—C3—C4—C5	3.2 (4)	C9—C8—C13—O1	-173.0 (2)
C11—C3—C4—C5	-176.7 (2)	C7—C8—C13—C12	-173.4 (2)
C3—C4—C5—C6	-0.8 (4)	C9—C8—C13—C12	7.9 (3)
C2—C1—C6—C5	4.1 (4)	C13—C12—C14—C15	-176.6 (2)
C12—C1—C6—C5	-176.99 (19)	C11—C12—C14—C15	6.7 (4)
C2—C1—C6—C7	-176.9 (2)	C12—C14—C15—C16	43.5 (4)
C12—C1—C6—C7	1.9 (3)	C12—C14—C15—C20	-140.1 (3)
C4—C5—C6—C1	-2.8 (4)	C20—C15—C16—C17	0.8 (4)
C4—C5—C6—C7	178.3 (3)	C14—C15—C16—C17	177.5 (2)
C1—C6—C7—C8	145.0 (3)	C15—C16—C17—C18	0.0 (4)
C5—C6—C7—C8	-36.1 (4)	C16—C17—C18—C19	-0.5 (4)
C6—C7—C8—C13	179.4 (2)	C16—C17—C18—C13	179.7 (2)
C6—C7—C8—C9	-2.0 (4)	C17—C18—C19—C20	0.3 (4)
C7—C8—C9—C10	-161.0 (2)	C13—C18—C19—C20	-180.0 (2)
C13—C8—C9—C10	17.6 (3)	C18—C19—C20—C15	0.6 (4)
C8—C9—C10—C11	-53.5 (3)	C18—C19—C20—C14	179.8 (2)
C9—C10—C11—C12	64.1 (3)	C16—C15—C20—C19	-1.1 (4)

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C10—C11—C12—C14	138.1 (3)	C14—C15—C20—C19	-177.7 (2)
C10—C11—C12—C13	-38.5 (3)	C16—C15—C20—C14	179.69 (18)
C14—C12—C13—O1	7.0 (4)	C14—C15—C20—C14	3.1 (3)

### *Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)*

<i>D—H...A</i>	<i>D—H</i>	<i>H...A</i>	<i>D...A</i>	<i>D—H...A</i>
C7—H7A...C12	0.93	2.74	3.055 (2)	101
C7—H7A...O1	0.93	2.33	2.732 (3)	105
C14—H14A...O1	0.93	2.39	2.759 (3)	103



Fig. 1

