

2-(Biphenyl-4-yloxy)acetic acid**En-Ju Wang*** and **Guang-Ying Chen**

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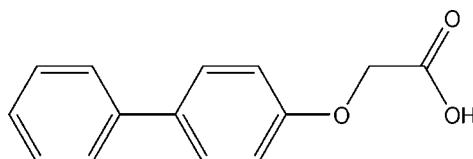
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; $T = 293\text{ K}$; mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.002\text{ \AA}$;
 R factor = 0.047; wR factor = 0.139; data-to-parameter ratio = 14.9.

In the title compound, $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_3$, the phenyl and benzene rings make a dihedral angle of $47.51(4)^\circ$. In the crystal, molecules are dimerized by double $\text{O}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$ hydrogen bonds, forming centrosymmetric $R_2^2(8)$ ring motifs. The dimers are interlinked by $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\pi$ interactions into zigzag layers.

Related literature

For biological studies of biphenyl compounds, see: Kamoda *et al.* (2006); Kumar *et al.* (2008); Malamas *et al.* (2000). For related structures, see: Ali *et al.* (2008); Cao (2009); Margraf *et al.* (2009); Li *et al.* (2009); Charbonneau & Delugeard (1977); Brett *et al.* (1999). For hydrogen-bond motifs, see: Etter (1990).

**Experimental***Crystal data*

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$c = 6.9017(1)\text{ \AA}$	$0.43 \times 0.42 \times 0.40\text{ mm}$
$\beta = 109.631(2)^\circ$	

Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer	11989 measured reflections
Absorption correction: multi-scan (<i>SADABS</i> ; Bruker, 2000)	2306 independent reflections
$T_{\min} = 0.727$, $T_{\max} = 0.742$	2223 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.028$

Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.047$	155 parameters
$wR(F^2) = 0.139$	H-atom parameters constrained
$S = 1.12$	$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.21\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
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Table 1Hydrogen-bond geometry (\AA , $^\circ$). Cg is the centroid of the C9–C14 ring.

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O1—H1 \cdots O2 ⁱ	0.82	1.81	2.6235 (13)	169
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Symmetry codes: (i) $-x + 1, -y, -z - 1$; (ii) $x + \frac{1}{2}, -y + \frac{1}{2}, z + \frac{1}{2}$.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2000); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2000); 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

Biphenyl moieties have been found to act as pharmacophores in many biological studies such as antimycobacterial testing (Kamoda *et al.*, 2006). Several derivatives of biphenyl-4-yloxy acetic acid are reported to be potential drugs with anti-inflammatory activity, analgesic activity and lower ulcerogenic potential (Kumar *et al.*, 2008). A series of benzofuran/benzothiophene biphenyl oxo-acetic acids act as potent inhibitors of protein tyrosine phosphatase 1B with good oral antihyperglycemic activity (Malamas *et al.*, 2000). In this paper we report the crystal structure of the title compound, (I).

In the crystal of the title compound (Fig. 1), two carboxyl groups form a pair of hydrogen bonds in cyclic $R_2^2(8)$ arrangement (Etter, 1990). The pairs of hydrogen bonds link the molecules into inversion dimers. The dimers are arranged in a herringbone pattern with an angle of 66.15 (1) $^\circ$. The adjacent dimers are linked *via* C—H \cdots π interactions with the H \cdots π distance of 2.86 Å (Fig. 2). Some crystal structures containing biphenyl moiety have been reported. The two benzene rings are usually nearly coplanar for the biphenyl compounds without 2-substituents (Ali *et al.*, 2008; Cao, 2009; Margraf *et al.*, 2009; Li *et al.*, 2009; Charbonneau & Delugeard, 1977). But the title compound displays a twisted conformation with a dihedral angle of 47.51 (4) $^\circ$ between the phenyl and benzene planes. Planar conformations will be adopted by biphenyl compounds in the ground states. It is the crystal packing forces that produce the planar conformations for the biphenyl compounds (Brett *et al.*, 1999).

Experimental

The crystals of (biphenyl-4-yloxy)acetic acid were unexpectedly obtained in the preparation of (biphenyl-4-yloxy)acetic acid- β -cyclodextrin inclusion complex. The experiment scheme is as follows: An ethanol solution of (biphenyl-4-yloxy)acetic acid (1 mmol, 5 ml) was added dropwise to an aqueous solution of β -cyclodextrin (1 mmol, 50 ml) and stirred at 50 °C for 6 h. The resulting solution was filtered and then stored at 40 °C. Colorless crystals suitable for the single X-ray diffraction were obtained after one week.

Refinement

H atoms bonded to C were positioned geometrically with aromatic C—H = 0.93 Å and aliphatic C—H = 0.97 Å. Their displacement parameters were set at $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$. The hydroxyl H atom was found in a Fourier map and refined with the constraint of O—H = 0.82 Å, $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{O})$.

Figures

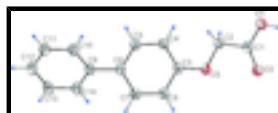


Fig. 1. Molecular configuration and atom numbering scheme for the title compound, with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level.

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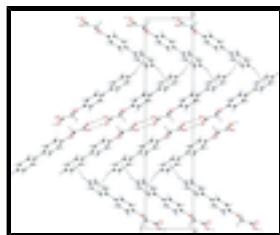


Fig. 2. The crystal packing of (I). Hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines.

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$S = 1.12$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0818P)^2 + 0.2839P]$
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155 parameters	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$
	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.21 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

0 restraints

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Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (\AA^2)

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
O3	0.54080 (16)	0.06250 (3)	0.05489 (14)	0.0328 (3)
O2	0.39398 (17)	0.02975 (3)	-0.32997 (15)	0.0364 (3)
O1	0.76170 (18)	0.00213 (4)	-0.29161 (15)	0.0380 (3)
H1	0.6955	-0.0065	-0.4105	0.057*
C8	0.4590 (2)	0.11281 (5)	0.2933 (2)	0.0321 (3)
H8	0.2999	0.1139	0.2069	0.039*
C3	0.6254 (2)	0.08550 (4)	0.24154 (19)	0.0303 (3)
C7	0.5320 (2)	0.13840 (4)	0.4743 (2)	0.0321 (3)
H7	0.4203	0.1565	0.5085	0.039*
C6	0.7706 (2)	0.13749 (4)	0.6066 (2)	0.0302 (3)
C5	0.9320 (2)	0.10893 (5)	0.5536 (2)	0.0335 (3)
H5	1.0905	0.1073	0.6411	0.040*
C2	0.7191 (2)	0.04138 (5)	-0.0118 (2)	0.0328 (3)
H2A	0.7931	0.0156	0.0790	0.039*
H2B	0.8430	0.0641	-0.0063	0.039*
C9	0.8549 (2)	0.16649 (4)	0.7961 (2)	0.0309 (3)
C1	0.6092 (2)	0.02357 (4)	-0.2277 (2)	0.0314 (3)
C4	0.8611 (2)	0.08296 (5)	0.3732 (2)	0.0342 (3)
H4	0.9711	0.0640	0.3408	0.041*
C11	1.1469 (3)	0.22017 (5)	1.0158 (2)	0.0403 (3)
H11	1.2858	0.2379	1.0417	0.048*
C10	1.0651 (2)	0.19293 (5)	0.8395 (2)	0.0351 (3)
H10	1.1512	0.1923	0.7489	0.042*
C13	0.8131 (3)	0.19494 (5)	1.1128 (2)	0.0379 (3)
H13	0.7290	0.1954	1.2051	0.045*
C14	0.7289 (2)	0.16808 (5)	0.9348 (2)	0.0335 (3)
H14	0.5876	0.1510	0.9079	0.040*
C12	1.0218 (3)	0.22096 (5)	1.1534 (2)	0.0399 (3)
H12	1.0777	0.2389	1.2725	0.048*

Atomic displacement parameters (\AA^2)

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
O3	0.0336 (5)	0.0349 (5)	0.0283 (5)	0.0004 (4)	0.0085 (4)	-0.0068 (4)
O2	0.0357 (5)	0.0383 (5)	0.0318 (5)	0.0054 (4)	0.0067 (4)	-0.0019 (4)
O1	0.0385 (5)	0.0448 (6)	0.0299 (5)	0.0059 (4)	0.0104 (4)	-0.0061 (4)
C8	0.0306 (6)	0.0336 (6)	0.0309 (7)	-0.0010 (5)	0.0084 (5)	-0.0019 (5)
C3	0.0363 (7)	0.0274 (6)	0.0267 (6)	-0.0019 (5)	0.0100 (5)	-0.0024 (4)
C7	0.0333 (6)	0.0314 (6)	0.0325 (7)	0.0011 (5)	0.0120 (5)	-0.0018 (5)
C6	0.0344 (6)	0.0268 (6)	0.0295 (6)	-0.0010 (5)	0.0106 (5)	-0.0005 (5)
C5	0.0325 (6)	0.0337 (6)	0.0317 (7)	0.0014 (5)	0.0074 (5)	-0.0034 (5)
C2	0.0341 (6)	0.0342 (6)	0.0294 (6)	0.0013 (5)	0.0097 (5)	-0.0043 (5)

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C9	0.0351 (6)	0.0264 (6)	0.0296 (6)	0.0024 (5)	0.0089 (5)	-0.0004 (5)
C1	0.0367 (7)	0.0285 (6)	0.0287 (6)	0.0017 (5)	0.0106 (5)	0.0011 (5)
C4	0.0355 (7)	0.0324 (6)	0.0339 (7)	0.0041 (5)	0.0107 (5)	-0.0030 (5)
C11	0.0404 (7)	0.0360 (7)	0.0398 (8)	-0.0042 (6)	0.0072 (6)	-0.0056 (6)
C10	0.0358 (7)	0.0335 (6)	0.0350 (7)	-0.0006 (5)	0.0107 (6)	-0.0021 (5)
C13	0.0517 (8)	0.0333 (7)	0.0293 (7)	0.0033 (6)	0.0146 (6)	0.0000 (5)
C14	0.0398 (7)	0.0293 (6)	0.0318 (7)	-0.0004 (5)	0.0123 (5)	-0.0004 (5)
C12	0.0515 (8)	0.0326 (7)	0.0301 (7)	0.0004 (6)	0.0064 (6)	-0.0055 (5)

Geometric parameters (\AA , $^\circ$)

O3—C3	1.3816 (15)	C2—C1	1.5002 (17)
O3—C2	1.4190 (16)	C2—H2A	0.9700
O2—C1	1.2427 (16)	C2—H2B	0.9700
O1—C1	1.2848 (16)	C9—C14	1.3971 (18)
O1—H1	0.8200	C9—C10	1.3982 (19)
C8—C7	1.3852 (18)	C4—H4	0.9300
C8—C3	1.3933 (18)	C11—C12	1.386 (2)
C8—H8	0.9300	C11—C10	1.3873 (19)
C3—C4	1.3862 (19)	C11—H11	0.9300
C7—C6	1.3996 (19)	C10—H10	0.9300
C7—H7	0.9300	C13—C12	1.386 (2)
C6—C5	1.3946 (18)	C13—C14	1.3914 (19)
C6—C9	1.4858 (17)	C13—H13	0.9300
C5—C4	1.3880 (18)	C14—H14	0.9300
C5—H5	0.9300	C12—H12	0.9300
C3—O3—C2	115.42 (10)	C14—C9—C6	121.53 (12)
C1—O1—H1	109.5	C10—C9—C6	120.07 (12)
C7—C8—C3	119.62 (12)	O2—C1—O1	125.12 (12)
C7—C8—H8	120.2	O2—C1—C2	122.36 (12)
C3—C8—H8	120.2	O1—C1—C2	112.52 (11)
O3—C3—C4	123.75 (12)	C3—C4—C5	119.61 (12)
O3—C3—C8	116.11 (11)	C3—C4—H4	120.2
C4—C3—C8	120.14 (12)	C5—C4—H4	120.2
C8—C7—C6	121.25 (12)	C12—C11—C10	120.08 (14)
C8—C7—H7	119.4	C12—C11—H11	120.0
C6—C7—H7	119.4	C10—C11—H11	120.0
C5—C6—C7	117.92 (12)	C11—C10—C9	120.93 (13)
C5—C6—C9	120.04 (12)	C11—C10—H10	119.5
C7—C6—C9	122.03 (11)	C9—C10—H10	119.5
C4—C5—C6	121.42 (12)	C12—C13—C14	120.31 (13)
C4—C5—H5	119.3	C12—C13—H13	119.8
C6—C5—H5	119.3	C14—C13—H13	119.8
O3—C2—C1	110.21 (11)	C13—C14—C9	120.52 (13)
O3—C2—H2A	109.6	C13—C14—H14	119.7
C1—C2—H2A	109.6	C9—C14—H14	119.7
O3—C2—H2B	109.6	C11—C12—C13	119.75 (13)
C1—C2—H2B	109.6	C11—C12—H12	120.1
H2A—C2—H2B	108.1	C13—C12—H12	120.1

C14—C9—C10	118.40 (12)	O3—C2—C1—O2	3.58 (18)
C2—O3—C3—C4	−9.49 (18)	O3—C2—C1—O1	−176.89 (11)
C2—O3—C3—C8	169.80 (11)	O3—C3—C4—C5	177.22 (11)
C7—C8—C3—O3	−177.55 (11)	C8—C3—C4—C5	−2.0 (2)
C7—C8—C3—C4	1.77 (19)	C6—C5—C4—C3	0.4 (2)
C3—C8—C7—C6	0.2 (2)	C12—C11—C10—C9	0.9 (2)
C8—C7—C6—C5	−1.8 (2)	C14—C9—C10—C11	−0.1 (2)
C8—C7—C6—C9	176.93 (12)	C6—C9—C10—C11	−179.91 (12)
C7—C6—C5—C4	1.5 (2)	C12—C13—C14—C9	0.8 (2)
C9—C6—C5—C4	−177.23 (12)	C10—C9—C14—C13	−0.80 (19)
C3—O3—C2—C1	−172.07 (10)	C6—C9—C14—C13	179.04 (12)
C5—C6—C9—C14	−133.31 (14)	C10—C11—C12—C13	−0.8 (2)
C7—C6—C9—C14	48.02 (18)	C14—C13—C12—C11	0.0 (2)
C5—C6—C9—C10	46.52 (18)		
C7—C6—C9—C10	−132.15 (14)		

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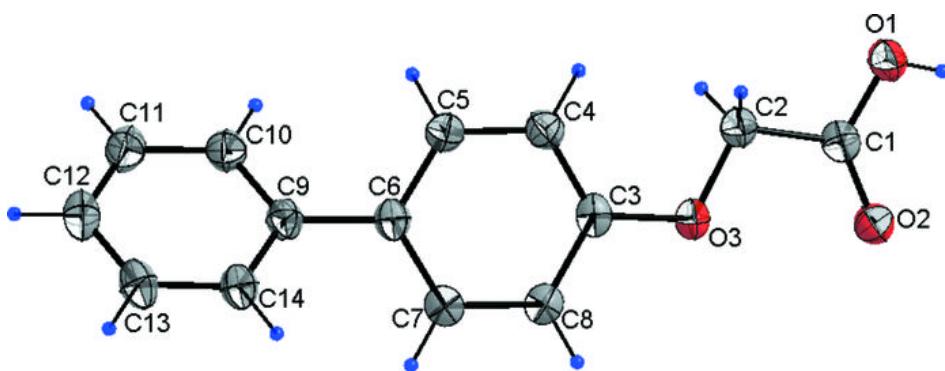


Fig. 2

