Resolution, Spectra, Dipole Strength, and Rotational Strength of (+)-(15,55)-Bicyclo[3.2.0]heptan-3-one

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Summary Enantiomerically pure (+)-(1S,5S)-bicyclo- $[3\cdot2\cdot0]$ heptan-3-one has been prepared and characterized, and its c.d. spectra, rotational strength, and dipole strength have been determined; its rotational strength is unusually large.

RECENTLY Weissberger¹ reported the exceptional rotatory power of the dissymmetric cyclopentanone (1), but since its u.v. and c.d. spectra were recorded in different solvents values for its rotational strength (R.S.) and dipole strength (D.S.) cannot be compared. We have prepared (3), another dissymmetric cyclopentanone, from (-)-(1R,2R)-cyclobutane-1,2-dicarboxylic acid,^{2,3} according to the procedure for racemic (3),^{4,5} via (-)-(1S,5S)-bicyclo-[3.2.0]heptane-3,3-dicarboxylic acid (2) (Scheme). Crude (3) was purified by preparative g.l.c. (Varian A 90, OV 210, T_c 110 °C)³ and characterized by i.r., u.v., c.d. ¹H n.m.r. and mass spectroscopy, and comparison with data for



racemic (3).⁴ The absolute configuration of (3) was established by applying the octant rule,^{3,6} V.F.F.-R.S. calculations,3,7 and by comparison with homologous



Pure (3) showed: $[\alpha]_{D} + 568^{\circ}$, $[\phi]_{D} + 625^{\circ}$, (c 0.333, iso-octane); u.v. λ_{max} (iso-octane): 290, 300, 311, and 323 nm (ϵ : 41.51, 52.65, 48.29, and 24.70, respectively); c.d. λ_{\max} (iso-octane): 290, 300, 311, and 323 nm ($\Delta \epsilon$: 6.87, 9.73, 9.87, and 5.31, respectively); ¹H n.m.r. $\delta[(CD_3)_2SO]$ 0·49–2·10 (m); i.r. (neat) ν_{max} 1743s cm⁻¹ (C=O); m/e110; D.S. 6·5 × 10⁻⁵¹ (S.I. units);† R.S. = 22·0 × 10⁻⁵³



FIGURE C.d. spectra of (3).

dissymmetric bicyclic cyclopentanones,³ all three methods giving the same result. The enantiomeric purity of (3), determined by circular polarization of luminescence^{3,8} was ca. 100%. U.v. and c.d. spectra were recorded in iso-octane at room temperature with a spectral resolution of 1 nm (Figure).

(S.I. units).[†][‡] Although Weissberger does not give a value for the R.S. of (1) we estimate it to be ca. 6-7 $\times 10^{-52}$ S.I. units from its c.d. spectrum. The R.S. value for (3) is unusually large for a saturated ketone; the absolute value for the R.S. of (-)-(1R,6R)-bicyclo[4.3.0]nonan-8one is 17.0×10^{-53} S.I. units.⁴

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[†] The experimental values for R.S. and D.S. were obtained from the u.v. and c.d. spectra where ϵ and $\Delta \epsilon$ were plotted as functions of $\ln \overline{y}$, and the area under the curve determined; cf. also S. F. Mason, Quart. Rev., 1963, 17, 20.

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