# Synthesis and Conformation of cis－1，2－Disubstituted Cyclododecene 

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Eight 1，2－disubstituted cyclododecenes were synthesized from $\alpha$－alkoxycarbonyl－cyclododecanone and alkyl chloroformate．Their configuration and conformation determined by IR，NMR spectroscopy and X－ray diffraction analysis showed that the carbon－carbon double bond of all of the synthesized compounds has cis－configuration，and the ring skeleton of their preferred conformation is［1ene2333］in solid，and they may adopt two different［1ene2333］ conformations，which exist in a dynamic equilibrium in solution．

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## Introduction

As more and more studies focus on the large ring compounds in recent years，researchers have found that many derivatives of cyclododecane exhibit good bioac－ tivities such as antifungal，${ }^{1 a}$ plant growth regulation ac－ tivity，${ }^{1 \mathrm{~b}}$ and activity against murine $L 1210^{1 \mathrm{c}}$ and $P 388$ $D_{1}{ }^{\text {ld }}$ lymphocytic leukemia cells．Furthermore，our group has found that a series of substituted cyclodode－ canone derivatives exhibit excellent weed controlling and fungicidal activities．${ }^{2}$ Recently，studies aimed at searching medicinal，pesticidal and plant growth regu－ lating compounds that derived from corresponding par－ ent large－ring compounds have increasingly aroused more and more researchers＇intense interest．At the same time，twelve－membered ring compounds have been widely used in organic synthesis because these compounds as important intermediates were used to synthesize larger ${ }^{3}$ or smaller ${ }^{4}$ ring compounds．However， their chemical reactivities are significantly different from some normal ring compounds．It was reported that cyclic ketones of normal ring compounds form ket－ als very readily ${ }^{5 \mathrm{a}}$ while the ketals of cyclododecanone system usually are not easily to prepare ${ }^{5 b}$ and only with very low yields．The characteristics of derivatives of twelve－membered ring system on bioactivities and chemical reactivities show intimate correlation with their stereochemistry，especially with their preferred conformations that are adopted in the reaction system． Vedejs ${ }^{5 c}$ also observed that there is local conformation effect in the reactivity of large ring compounds．There－ fore，systematic studies on the conformation rules of twelve－membered ring compounds have important sig－ nificance．

In 1979，Anet et al．${ }^{6}$ studied the conformation of cis－cyclododecene through dynamic NMR spectroscopy
and iterative force－field calculation．These results sug－ gested that cis－cyclododecene exists mainly as a mixture of two low－energy unsymmetrical conformations，la－ beled［1ene2333］and［1ene2342］．Furthermore，the calculated results with MMX molecular mechanics pro－ gram were in good agreement with the conclusion of dynamic NMR and iterative force field methods．${ }^{7}$

A few literatures ${ }^{7 \mathrm{~b}, 8}$ describe the crystal structures of bicyclic compounds containing cyclododecene and showed that the double bond and the ring skeletons of the cyclododecene moiety of all compounds have cis－ configuration and［1ene2333］conformation，respec－ tively．However，no systematical studies on the confor－ mation of the 1，2－disubstituted cyclododecene deriva－ tives through experiments have been reported．

As a part of study on the conformation of 12 －mem－ bered ring system，we are currently engaged in the synthesis and study of a series of 1，2－disubstituted cy－ clododecene derivatives to elaborate the stereochemistry of the ring skeleton of cyclododecene in order to improve the study of the structure－activity relationship of macrocylic compounds．In this paper we describe our results in this area with our systematical studies of the 1，2－disubstituted cyclododecene derivatives．

## Results and discussion

A series of cis－1－alkoxycarbonyloxy－2－alkoxycar－ bonylcyclododecenes（ $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{1}}-\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{8}}$ ）were synthesized（as shown in Scheme 1）and their conformations were thoroughly discussed in this paper．The experimental results show that the reaction of $\alpha$－alkoxycarbonyl－ cyclododecanone and alkyl chloroformate had very high regioselectivity．The reaction occurred only at oxygen atom of the ambident ions，and yielded $O$－acylated

[^0]products without $C$-acylated product.
Scheme 1 Synthesis of cis-1-alkoxycarbonyloxy-2-alkoxycarbonylcyclododecene


IR and NMR data of compounds $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{1}}-\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{8}}$ exhibit that each compound has similar characteristic data (Table 1).

Table 1 Selected IR and NMR data of Compounds $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{1}}-\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{8}}$

|  | $\mathrm{IR}_{(\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C})}$ | ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR | ${ }^{3} J(\mathrm{~Hz})$ | ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{A}_{1}$ | 1640 | 2.43 (t, 2H) | 7.2 | 152.6 |
|  |  | 2.37 (t, 2H) | 7.1 | 121.8 |
| $\mathbf{A}_{2}$ | 1642 | 2.43 (t, 2H) | 7.2 | 153.2 |
|  |  | 2.37 (t, 2H) | 7.1 | 122.1 |
| $\mathbf{A}_{3}$ | 1652 | 2.43 (t, 2H) | 7.2 | 153.2 |
|  |  | 2.37 (t, 2H) | 7.1 | 121.8 |
| $\mathbf{A}_{4}$ | 1640 | 2.43 (t, 2H) | 7.2 | 152.5 |
|  |  | 2.37 (t, 2H) | 7.1 | 122.2 |
| $\mathbf{A}_{5}$ | 1640 | 2.51 (t, 2H) | 7.2 | 153.1 |
|  |  | 2.50 (t, 2H) | 7.1 | 126.2 |
| $\mathbf{A}_{6}$ | 1660 | 2.49 (t, 2H) | 7.2 | 151.2 |
|  |  | 2.39 (t, 2H) | 7.1 | 120.9 |
| $\mathbf{A}_{7}$ | 1638 | $2.51(\mathrm{t}, 4 \mathrm{H})$ | 7.1 | 150.6 |
|  |  |  |  | 121.5 |
| $\mathbf{A}_{8}$ | 1640 | 2.43 (t, 2H) | 7.2 | 151.3 |
|  |  | 2.37 (t, 2H) | 7.1 | 120.9 |

All compounds exhibit typical carbon-carbon double bond absorptions at $1660-1638 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ in their IR spectra. Two groups of typical triplet signals at $\delta 2.5-2.3$ with similar coupling constants of $7.1-7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}$ were observed in the ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectra of compounds $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{1}}-\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{8}}$, which corresponded to methylene of propenylene. A group of typical carbon signals of carbon-carbon double bonds were observed at $\delta 151-153$ and $\delta 120-126$ in the ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR spectra, while the carbonyl signals of these compounds were not observed. Compounds $\mathbf{A}_{5}$ and $\mathbf{A}_{6}$ were suitable for X-ray crystal structure analysis to determine the double bond configuration of cyclododecene moiety. The results indicate that these 1,2disubstituted cyclododecenes have cis-configurations, and the four atoms attached to carbon-carbon double bonds are nearly coplanar in the crystals (Figure 1, Tables 2 and 3). These results confirmed that all of the
compounds $\mathbf{A}$ are derivatives of cyclododecene, which have cis-configuration.


Figure 1 X-ray crystal structures of compounds $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{5}}$ and $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{6}}$.

Table 2 Double bond lengths and partial torsion angles for compounds $\mathbf{A}_{5}$ and $\mathbf{A}_{6}$

| Double bond lengths/nm |  |  | Torsion angles/( ${ }^{\circ}$ ) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{5}}$ | $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | 0.1338 |  |  |
|  |  | $\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{O}(3)$ | 8.7 |  |
|  |  | $\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{O}(3)$ | -173.4 |  |
|  |  | $\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | -173.2 |  |
|  |  | $\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | 4.6 |  |
| $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{6}}$ | $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | 0.1334 | $\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{O}(3)$ |  |
|  |  | $\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{O}(3)$ | -167.1 |  |
|  |  | $\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | -173.2 |  |
|  |  | $\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | 7.8 |  |

The X-ray crystal structures of compounds $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{5}}$ and $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{6}}$ also show that their ring skeletons adopt [1ene2333] conformations. The project formulas are shown in Figure 2. It can be seen that the two protons of $3-\mathrm{CH}_{2}$ and $12-\mathrm{CH}_{2}$ of compounds $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{5}}$ and $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{6}}$ occupy side-exo and side-endo-positions respectively, therefore they appear to have different chemical shifts in the ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectra. However, the ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR data indicated that two protons
of $3-\mathrm{CH}_{2}$ and $12-\mathrm{CH}_{2}$ appeared as chemical shift equivalent protons and coupled with their adjacent protons to split as triplet signals.

Table 3 Bond angles $\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$ of compounds $\mathbf{A}_{5}$ and $\mathbf{A}_{6}$

| $\mathbf{A}_{5}$ |  | $\mathbf{A}_{6}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(14)$ | 116.50(11) | $\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{C}(14)$ | 117.68(14) |
| $\mathrm{C}(20)-\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | 115.41(11) | $\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | 117.47(11) |
| $\mathrm{C}(20)-\mathrm{O}(5)-\mathrm{C}(21)$ | 113.98(11) | $\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{O}(5)-\mathrm{C}(16)$ | 116.71(12) |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(13)$ | 119.24(13) | $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(13)$ | 122.19(14) |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(12)$ | 122.41(13) | $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(12)$ | 124.45(14) |
| $\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(12)$ | 118.32(13) | $\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(12)$ | 113.35(13) |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{O}(3)$ | 118.89(13) | $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{O}(3)$ | 118.32(13) |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | 131.13(14) | $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | 128.92(14) |
| $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | 109.96(13) | $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | 112.59(12) |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | 114.04(12) | $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | 114.84(13) |
| $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | 112.29(12) | $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | 112.95(14) |
| $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | 113.16(13) | $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | 114.74(14) |
| $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | 114.47(13) | $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | 114.58(15) |
| $\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | 114.46(12) | $\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | 116.01(14) |
| $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(9)$ | 115.07(13) | $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(9)$ | 115.36(13) |
| $\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{C}(10)$ | 113.38(12) | $\mathrm{C}(10)-\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | 114.77(14) |
| $\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{C}(10)-\mathrm{C}(11)$ | 114.20(12) | $\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{C}(10)-\mathrm{C}(11)$ | 113.84(14) |
| $\mathrm{C}(10)-\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{C}(12)$ | 113.01(12) | $\mathrm{C}(10)-\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{C}(12)$ | 115.05(13) |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{C}(11)$ | 115.27(12) | $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{C}(11)$ | 114.13(13) |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ | 121.77(13) | $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{O}(1)$ | 121.78(16) |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | 127.08(14) | $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | 123.48(17) |
| $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | 111.12(12) | $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | 114.60(15) |
| $\mathrm{C}(19)-\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{C}(15)$ | 122.12(14) | $\mathrm{O}(4)-\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{O}(3)$ | 127.43(15) |
| $\mathrm{C}(19)-\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ | 118.32(13) | $\mathrm{O}(4)-\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{O}(5)$ | 127.43(14) |
| $\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ | 119.46(13) | $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{O}(5)$ | 105.14(13) |
| $\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{C}(16)$ | 118.72(14) | $\mathrm{C}(21)-\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{C}(17)$ | 122.05(15) |
| $\mathrm{C}(17)-\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{C}(15)$ | 120.38(15) | $\mathrm{C}(21)-\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{O}(5)$ | 120.50(15) |
| $\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{C}(17)-\mathrm{C}(18)$ | 119.61(14) | $\mathrm{C}(17)-\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{O}(5)$ | 117.28(15) |
| $\mathrm{C}(17)-\mathrm{C}(18)-\mathrm{C}(19)$ | 120.99(14) | $\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{C}(17)-\mathrm{C}(18)$ | 118.72(17) |
| $\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{C}(19)-\mathrm{C}(18)$ | 118.16(14) | $\mathrm{C}(19)-\mathrm{C}(18)-\mathrm{C}(17)$ | 120.39(18) |
| $\mathrm{O}(4)-\mathrm{C}(20)-\mathrm{O}(5)$ | 127.27(14) | $\mathrm{C}(18)-\mathrm{C}(19)-\mathrm{C}(20)$ | 119.98(17) |
| $\mathrm{O}(4)-\mathrm{C}(20)-\mathrm{O}(3)$ | 126.41(14) | $\mathrm{C}(19)-\mathrm{C}(20)-\mathrm{C}(21)$ | 120.45(18) |
| $\mathrm{O}(5)-\mathrm{C}(20)-\mathrm{O}(3)$ | 106.31(12) | $\mathrm{C}(16) \mathrm{C}(21)-\mathrm{C}(20)$ | 118.40(17) |

These results suggested that compounds A may adopt two different [1ene2333] conformations as shown in Figure 3, which exist in a dynamic equilibrium in solution. The ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectra in solution are the aver-
aged results of these two non-equivalent [1ene2333] conformations. It happens that the ring skeletons of compounds $\mathbf{A}_{5}$ and $\mathbf{A}_{6}$ adopt one of the two conformations in their crystal.


Figure 2 Project formulas of $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{5}}$ and $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{6}}$.


Figure 3 Dynamic equilibrium of two different [1ene2333] conformations in solution.

## Conclusion

In summary, the 1,2-disubstituted cyclododecene derivatives have been prepared and structurally characterized. From the results, it is suggested that compounds $\mathbf{A}$ may adopt two non-equivalent [1ene2333] conformations, which exist in a dynamic equilibrium in solution. The ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectra are the averaged results of these two non-equivalent [1ene2333] conformations. It happens that the ring skeletons of compounds $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{5}}$ and $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{6}}$ adopt one of the two conformations in their crystal.

## Experimental

## General procedure

A three-necked round bottom flask equipped with a reflux condenser and a nitrogen inlet tube was charged with $\mathrm{NaH}(0.45 \mathrm{~g}, 9.2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and in dried THF (or toluene, benzene) ( 20 mL ). A solution consisting of $\alpha$-ethoxycarbonyl cyclododecanone ( $1.6 \mathrm{~g}, 6.1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in THF (or toluene, benzene) ( 10 mL ) was added dropwise and then methyl chloroformate ( 30.5 mmol ) was added dropwise. The mixture was then heated at refluxing state for 24 h , allowed to cool, and to this mixture cautiously added acetic acid ( 5 mL ) and water ( 10 mL ). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with ether ( $10 \mathrm{~mL} \times 3$ ). The combined organic layer was washed with saturated $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ solution, water and brine, dried with $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$, filtered and concentrated under vacuum. The crude product was chromatographed on silica gel eluting with ethyl acetate: petroleum ether $(1: 15, V: V)$ to give $1.6 \mathrm{~g}(84 \%$, yield) colorless liquid of $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{1}}$.

Methoxycarbonyloxy-2-ethoxycarbonylcyclododecene ( $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{1}}$ ) $\quad{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}, 300 \mathrm{MHz}\right) \delta: 4.25(\mathrm{q}$, $\left.{ }^{3} J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}\right), 3.71(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.43\left(\mathrm{t},{ }^{3} J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}\right)$, $2.37\left(\mathrm{t},{ }^{3} \mathrm{~J}=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}\right), 1.69-1.55(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 1.39-$ $1.32(\mathrm{~m}, 12 \mathrm{H}), 1.27\left(\mathrm{t},{ }^{3} \mathrm{~J}=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}\right) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR $\delta$ : 166.7, 154.9, 152.6, 121.8, 64.5, 51.6, 28.3, 26.4, 26.0, $24.8,24.7,24.5,24.3,23.7,22.5,22.3,14.2$; IR (neat) $v$ : 2937, 2860, 1760, 1725, $1640(\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C}), 1470,1441$, 1266, 1175, 1060, 1030, 860, $760 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$. Anal. calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{28} \mathrm{O}_{5}$ : C 65.38, H 8.97; found C 65.25, H 9.14.

Ethoxycarbonyloxy-2-methoxycarbonylcyclododecene ( $\mathbf{A}_{2}$ ) Colorless liquid ( $68 \%$, yield); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}, 300 \mathrm{MHz}\right) \delta: 4.19\left(\mathrm{q},{ }^{3} J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}\right), 3.84$ ( s , $3 \mathrm{H}), 2.43\left(\mathrm{t},{ }^{3} J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}\right), 2.37\left(\mathrm{t},{ }^{3} J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}\right)$, $1.68-1.59(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 1.39-1.32(\mathrm{~m}, 12 \mathrm{H}), 1.27\left(\mathrm{t},{ }^{3} J=\right.$ 7.1 Hz, 3H); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR $\delta: 166.2,154.5,153.2,122.1$, 60.4, 55.0, 28.1, 26.3, 26.0, 24.8, 24.7, 24.4, 24.2, 23.7, 22.4, 22.2, 13.9; IR (neat) v: 2937, 2860, 1765, 1721, $1642(\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C}), 1470,1448,1260,1173,1060,1034,936$, $770 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$. Anal. calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{28} \mathrm{O}_{5}$ : C 65.38, H 8.97; found C 65.48 , H 9.19.

1-Methoxycarbonyloxy-2-methoxycarbonyl-1,2cyclododecene ( $\mathbf{A}_{3}$ ) Colorless crystal (74\%, yield), m.p. $69-70{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}, 300 \mathrm{MHz}\right) \delta: 3.85$ (s, $3 \mathrm{H}), 3.72(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.43\left(\mathrm{t},{ }^{3} \mathrm{~J}=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}\right), 2.36\left(\mathrm{t},{ }^{3} \mathrm{~J}=\right.$ $7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.65-1.57(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 1.39-1.32(\mathrm{~m}, 12 \mathrm{H})$; ${ }^{13}$ C NMR $\delta: 166.7,155.1,153.2,121.8,55.2,51.6,28.2$, 26.4, 26.1, 24.8, 24.7, 24.5, 24.3, 23.8, 22.5, 22.3; IR $(\mathrm{KBr}) ~ v: 2905,2850,1750,1720,1652(\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C}), 1462$, 1440, 1328, 1295, 1270, 1170, 1090, 1055, 1035, 980, $940,770,725 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$. Anal. calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{26} \mathrm{O}_{5}$ : C 64.42, H 8.72; found C 64.54, H 8.92.

1-Ethoxycarbonyloxy-2-ethoxycarbonylcyclododecene ( $\mathbf{A}_{4}$ ) Colorless liquid ( $79 \%$, yield); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}, 300 \mathrm{MHz}\right) \delta: 4.25\left(\mathrm{q},{ }^{3} J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}\right), 4.18$ (q, $\left.{ }^{3} J=10.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}\right), 2.43\left(\mathrm{t},{ }^{3} J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}\right), 2.37\left(\mathrm{t},{ }^{3} J=\right.$ $7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.73-1.56(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 1.39-1.35(\mathrm{~m}, 12 \mathrm{H})$, $1.33\left(\mathrm{t},{ }^{3} J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}\right), 1.27\left(\mathrm{t},{ }^{3} J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}\right),{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR $\delta: 166.3,154.3,152.5,122.2,64.4,60.4,28.2$, 26.4, 26.1, 24.8, 24.7, 24.5, 24.3, 23.8, 22.5, 22.3, 14.1, 14.0; IR (neat) $v: 2930,2860,1760,1720,1640(\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C})$, $1465,1445,1390,1365,1250,1180,1100,1030,860$, $770 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$. Anal. calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{5}$ : C 66.25, H 9.20; found C 66.48 , H 9.31 .

1-Methoxycarbonyloxy-2-phenoxycarbonylcyclododecene ( $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{5}}$ ) Colorless crystal ( $81 \%$, yield), m.p. $72-73{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}, 300 \mathrm{MHz}\right) \delta: 7.40-7.07$ $(\mathrm{m}, 5 \mathrm{H}), 3.79(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.51\left(\mathrm{t},{ }^{3} \mathrm{~J}=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}\right), 2.50(\mathrm{t}$, ${ }^{3} J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}$ ), $1.75-1.73$ (m, 4H), 1.42 (br.s, 12 H ); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR $\delta: 164.7,156.4,153.1,150.6,129.4,125.8$, $121.62,121.61,55.3,28.5,26.5,26.3,24.9,24.8,24.5$, 24.3, 23.8, 22.5, 22.4; IR (KBr) v: 2939, 2860, 1752, 1735, $1640(\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C}), 1585,1453,1286,1198,1163,1092$, $969,750,696 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$. Anal. calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{21} \mathrm{H}_{28} \mathrm{O}_{5}: \mathrm{C} 70.00$, H 7.77; found C 70.03, H 7.83 .

1-Phenoxycarbonyloxy-2-methoxycarbonylcyclododecene ( $\mathbf{A}_{6}$ ) Needle crystalline (69\%, yield), m.p.
$99-100{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}, 300 \mathrm{MHz}\right) \delta: 7.42-$ $7.36(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.27-7.22(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.77(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.50(\mathrm{t}$, $\left.{ }^{3} J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}\right), 2.40\left(\mathrm{t},{ }^{3} J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}\right), 1.73-1.57$ $(\mathrm{m}, 5 \mathrm{H}), 1.40-1.33(\mathrm{~m}, 12 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR $\delta: 166.5$, $155.2,151.2,151.1,129.4,126.0,122.0,120.9,51.8$, $28.4,26.4,26.1,24.9,24.8,24.4,24.3,23.8,22.5,22.3$; IR (KBr) v: 2935, 2863, 1770, 1712, $1660(\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C}), 1594$, 1490, 1471, 1363, 1338, 1316, 1282, 1260, 1219, 1158, 1082, 1020, $967,768 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$. Anal. calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{21} \mathrm{H}_{28} \mathrm{O}_{5}$ : C 70.00, H 7.77; found C 70.29, H 7.91.

1-Ethoxycarbonyloxy-2-phenoxycarbonylcyclododecene ( $\mathbf{A}_{7}$ ) Colorless liquid (79\%, yield); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}, 300 \mathrm{MHz}\right) \delta: 7.39-7.08(\mathrm{~m}, 5 \mathrm{H}), 4.20\left(\mathrm{q},{ }^{3} J=\right.$ $7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.51\left(\mathrm{t},{ }^{3} J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}\right), 2.51\left(\mathrm{t},{ }^{3} J=7.2\right.$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.73(\mathrm{~s}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 1.52-1.42(\mathrm{~m}, 12 \mathrm{H}), 1.26(\mathrm{t}$, $\left.{ }^{3} J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}\right) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR $\delta: 164.7,156.1,152.5,150.6$, 129.3, 125.7, 121.6, 121.5, 66.8, 64.6, 44.3, 28.5, 26.5, $26.3,24.9,24.8,24.5,24.3,23.8,22.5,22.3,14.0$; IR (neat) $v: 2920,2860,1745,1730,1638,1590,1490$, $1465,1390,1365,1250,1190,1150,1090,1050,1030$, 920, 890, 740, $685 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$. Anal. calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{22} \mathrm{H}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{5}$ : C 70.59, H 8.02; found C 70.77, H 8.18.

1-Phenoxycarbonyloxy-2-ethoxycarbonylcyclododecene ( $\mathbf{A}_{8}$ ) Colorless liquid ( $89 \%$, yield); ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}, 300 \mathrm{MHz}\right) \delta: 7.41-7.36(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.27-7.24$ $(\mathrm{m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 4.23\left(\mathrm{q},{ }^{3} J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}\right), 2.50\left(\mathrm{t},{ }^{3} J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}\right.$, $2 \mathrm{H}), 2.40\left(\mathrm{t},{ }^{3} \mathrm{~J}=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}\right), 1.74-1.72(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, $1.64-1.59(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.39$ (br.s, 12 H ), $1.30\left(\mathrm{t},{ }^{3} \mathrm{~J}=7.1\right.$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR $\delta: 166.1,154.7,151.3,129.4,125.9$, $122.5,120.9,66.8,60.6,44.5,28.3,26.4,26.1,24.8$, $24.7,24.4,24.3,23.8,22.5,22.3,14.2$; IR (neat) $v: 2920$, 2850, 1770, 1710, 1640, 1590, 1490, 1485, 1365, 1260, 1160, 1030, 970, 760, 720, $685 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$. Anal. calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{22} \mathrm{H}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{5}$ : C 70.59, H 8.02; found C 70.80, H 8.02.

## X-ray crystallography

The crystal data, data collection and refinement parameters are listed in Table 4. All measurements were made with a Siemens CCD area detector using graphite monochromatized Mo $\mathrm{K} \alpha(\lambda=0.071073 \mathrm{~nm})$ radiation at 293 K . Full spheres of data were collected to a $2 \theta$ limit of $27.48^{\circ}$. Space groups were determined from systematic absence and checked for higher symmetry. The structures were solved by direct methods using SHELX, ${ }^{9}$ and refined on $F^{2}$ using all data by full-matrix least-squares procedures with SHELXL-97. ${ }^{10}$ All nonhydrogen atoms were refined with anisotropic displacement parameters. An empirical absorption correction based on X scans was made on all data. Hydrogen atoms were located from the difference map and were constrained to geometrical estimates. Final refinement was carried out with isotropic displacement parameters applied to hydrogen atoms. A weighting scheme of type $\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{0}^{2}+(a P)^{2}+b P\right)^{-1}\right.$, where $a=0.0211$ and $b=0$ (0.0474 and 0), was used where $P=\left[\max \left(F_{0}^{2}, 0\right)+\right.$ $\left.2 F_{0}^{2}\right] / 3$.

Table 3 Crystal data and structure refinement for compounds $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{5}}$ and $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{6}}$

|  | $\mathrm{A}_{5}$ | $\mathrm{A}_{6}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Formula | $\mathrm{C}_{21} \mathrm{H}_{28} \mathrm{O}_{5}$ | $\mathrm{C}_{21} \mathrm{H}_{28} \mathrm{O}_{5}$ |
| Formula weight | 360.43 | 360.43 |
| Wavelength/nm | 0.071073 | 0.071073 |
| Crystal system | Monoclinic | Monoclinic |
| Space group | $\mathrm{C}_{2} / \mathrm{C}$ | $P_{2}(1) / C$ |
| Unit cell dimensions/(nm, deg) | $\begin{aligned} & a=2.84693(14), \\ & b=0.60089(2), \quad \beta=103.698(2) \\ & c=2.28626(10) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & a=2.21951(12), \\ & b=0.59343(4), \quad \beta=104.13(2) \\ & c=1.54004(14) \end{aligned}$ |
| Volume/nm ${ }^{3}$ | 3.7998 (3) | 1.9671(2) |
| Z | 8 | 4 |
| $\rho_{\text {calcd }} /\left(\mathrm{Mg} \cdot \mathrm{m}^{-3}\right)$ | 1.260 | 1.217 |
| Absorption coefficient $/ \mathrm{mm}^{-1}$ | 0.089 | 0.086 |
| $F(000)$ | 1552 | 776 |
| Crystal size $/ \mathrm{mm}^{3}$ | $0.36 \times 0.35 \times 0.28$ | $0.64 \times 0.50 \times 0.24$ |
| $\theta$ range for data collection/( ${ }^{\circ}$ ) | $2.06-27.48$ | $2.66-27.48$ |
| Limiting indices | $-35 \leqslant h \leqslant 36,-7 \leqslant k \leqslant 7,-29 \leqslant l \leqslant 29$ | $-28 \leqslant h \leqslant 28,-7 \leqslant k \leqslant 7,-19 \leqslant l \leqslant 20$ |
| Reflections collected/unique | 7565/4235 [ $R($ (int $)=0.0386]$ | 7990/4478 [ $R($ (int $)=0.0315]$ |
| Completeness to $\theta=27.48$ | 97.4\% | 99.2\% |
| Absorption correction | Empirical | Empirical |
| Max. and min. transmission | 0.9753 and 0.9690 | 0.9796 and 0.9473 |
| Refinement method | Full-matrix least-squares on $F^{2}$ | Full-matrix least-squares on $F^{2}$ |
| Data/restraints/parameters | 4235/0/235 | 4478/0/235 |
| Goodness-of-fit on $F^{2}$ | 0.693 | 0.773 |
| Final $R$ indices [ $I>2 \sigma(I)$ ] | $R_{1}=0.0327, w R_{2}=0.0566$ | $R_{1}=0.0393, w R_{2}=0.0828$ |
| $R$ indices (all data) | $R_{1}=0.0825, w R_{2}=0.0618$ | $R_{1}=0.0946, w R_{2}=0.0926$ |
| $\underline{\text { Largest diff. peak and hole/(e•nm }{ }^{-3} \text { ) }}$ | 158 and -292 | 187 and -167 |

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