Table 4. Torsional angles in the tricyclic nucleus $\left({ }^{\circ}\right)\left(\right.$ e.s.d. $\left.=0 \cdot 4^{\circ}\right)$

| $\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $66 \cdot 2$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| $\mathrm{C}\left(7^{\prime}\right)$ | $-66 \cdot 7$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{N}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ |
| $\mathrm{N}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ | $-78 \cdot 7$ |
| $\mathrm{C}\left(7^{\prime}\right)$ | $53 \cdot 2$ |
| $\mathrm{~N}(1)-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}\left(7^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{N}\left(2^{\prime}\right)$ | $79 \cdot 2$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(8)$ | $\mathrm{N}\left(2^{\prime}\right)$ |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{N}(2)$ | 0.3 |



Fig. 1. The geometry and numbering of the molecule. Primed atoms are generated by the action of the crystallographic diad shown.
non-hydrogen atoms) is less than $3 \cdot 50 \AA$. Although the molecule lies on a crystallographic diad axis, its real symmetry is almost the expected $D_{2 d}$. The bond lengths are all as expected $[\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C}($ aromatic $)=1.39 \AA$ (av.); $\mathrm{C}\left(s p^{2}\right)-\mathrm{N}=1 \cdot 437, \mathrm{C}\left(s p^{3}\right)-\mathrm{N}=1 \cdot 475 \AA$, the latter in good agreement with the corresponding value in (I) of $1 \cdot 470$

| $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $-67 \cdot 2$ |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| $\mathrm{C}(9)$ | $\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $65 \cdot 7$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{N}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ | $78 \cdot 3$ |  |
| $\mathrm{C}(9)$ | $\mathrm{N}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ | $-53 \cdot 9$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{N}\left(2^{\prime}\right)$ | $-78 \cdot 3$ |  |
| $\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $\mathrm{N}\left(2^{\prime}\right)$ | $53 \cdot 7$ |

$\AA$ §. The bond angles in the tricyclic nucleus show the same sort of increases from the tetrahedral value as found in (I); the angles to be discussed have been averaged on the basis of $D_{2 d}$ symmetry and those for (I) are given in parentheses. The methylene bridges have an $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{N}$ angle of $118.6\left(116.9^{\circ}\right)$ but the other angle in the cyclooctane ring $\left(114.8^{\circ}\right)$ is considerably smaller than in (I) $\left(119 \cdot 3^{\circ}\right)$. The geometry of the two-carbon bridges is very similar in the two molecules and the small differences can be explained by the different lengths of the $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C}$ bonds. The torsional angles in the tricyclic system are also essentially the same in both molecules. We conclude therefore that the geometry found for (I) is not inconsistent with that required for a $D_{2 d}$ conformation, but naturally cannot dismiss the other possibilities put forward (Murray-Rust, 1974).

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# 5,8-Di-t-butyl-3,3-dimethyl-9-isopropylidene-5,8-diaza-4,7-dioxabicyclo[4,2,1]nonan-2-one 

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#### Abstract

C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{32} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}, \quad M=324 \cdot 46\), orthorhombic, Pna2 (No. 33), $a=18.13$ (2), $b=11 \cdot 56$ (2), $c=9 \cdot 45$ (2) $\AA$, from precession photographs, refined by diffractometer (Mo $K \alpha$ radiation). $D_{m}$ (flotation) $=1.09 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~cm}^{-3}$; for $Z=4, D_{c}=1.09 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~cm}^{-3}$. The structure was solved by direct methods, and refinement converged at $R=$


0.051 ; the molecule contains bridged five- and sevenmembered rings, each of which contains a hydroxylamine group.

Introduction. Systematic absences $0 k l k+l=2 n+1$, $h 0 l h=2 n+1$, indicated space groups Pnam (No. 62)
or $P_{n a 2_{1}}$ (No. 33). The infrared and n.m.r. spectra (Craig, Murray-Rust, Murray-Rust \& Roberts, 1973) suggested that the compound did not possess hydroxyl, acetylenic or allenic groups, but probably contained two different t-butyl groups, four methyl groups (two of which are similar and possibly belong to an isopropylidene group) and two non-identical protons. This indicates that the molecule does not have a centre of symmetry, and is very unlikely to have a mirror plane or twofold axis. There are eight asymmetric units in the unit cell of Pnam, so that if the molecule is in this space group it must lie on a special position (either $m$ or $\overline{\mathrm{I}}$ ): as this is not likely $P n a 2_{1}$ was selected. Since the structure was solved and refined satisfactorily in this space group, no calculations were made in Pnam.

Data were collected for layers $h k 0-8$ ( 967 reflexions) and $h 0-8 l$ ( 761 reflexions) on a Hilger-Watts linear
diffractometer with Mo $K \alpha$ radiation ( $\lambda=0.71071 \AA$ ); reflexions were considered observed if $I>3 \sigma(I)$. After application of Lorentz and polarization corrections (but no extinction or absorption correction) the data

Table 1. The order in which atom peaks were identified during phase recycling (at that stage all were assumed to be carbon)

|  | Numbe of peak | Atom identifiers (see Fig. 1) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Initial peaks from $E$ map | 6 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{C}(1), \mathrm{C}(2), \mathrm{C}(3), \mathrm{C}(8), \mathrm{C}(9), \\ & \mathrm{N}(1) \end{aligned}$ |
| 1st recycle; $\|E\| \geq 1 \cdot 68$, $\left\|F_{c}\right\| \geq 0.33 \times\left\|F_{o}\right\|$ | 4 | $\mathrm{C}(10), \mathrm{C}(18), \mathrm{N}(2), \mathrm{O}(1)$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { 2nd recycle; }\|E\| \geq 1 \cdot 69, \\ & \left\|F_{c}\right\| \geq 0.50 \times\left\|F_{o}\right\| \end{aligned}$ | 8 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{C}(6), \mathrm{C}(7), \mathrm{C}(11), \mathrm{C}(12), \\ & \mathrm{C}(13), \mathrm{C}(14), \mathrm{O}(2), \mathrm{O}(3) \end{aligned}$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { 3rd recycle; }\|E\| \geq 1 \cdot 74 \text {, } \\ & \left\|F_{c}\right\| \geq 0.60 \times\left\|F_{u}\right\| \end{aligned}$ | 5 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{C}(4), \mathrm{C}(5), \mathrm{C}(15), \mathrm{C}(16), \\ & \mathrm{C}(17) \end{aligned}$ |

Table 2. Positional and thermal parameters
(a) Atomic coordinates ( $\times 10^{4}$ ) and anisotropic thermal parameters of non-hydrogen atoms. $\beta_{11}$ etc. are the coefficients in the expression for the anisotropic temperature factor: $\exp \left[-\left(\beta_{11} h^{2}+\beta_{22} k^{2}+\beta_{33} l^{2}+2 \beta_{12} h k+2 \beta_{13} h l+2 \beta_{23} k l\right)\right]$, multiplied by $10^{4}$.

|  | $x / a$ | $y / b$ | $z / c$ | $\beta_{11}$ | $\beta_{22}$ | $\beta_{33}$ | $\beta_{12}$ | $\beta_{13}$ | $\beta_{23}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C (1) | 2186 (3) | 273 (5) | 109 (0) | 24 (2) | 77 (6) | 112 (9) | -4 (3) | 9 (4) | -12 (6) |
| C(2) | 2198 (3) | 496 (5) | 1684 (8) | 24 (2) | 72 (5) | 113 (9) | -5 (3) | 5 (3) | -12 (6) |
| C(3) | 2666 (3) | -474 (5) | 2287 (9) | 31 (2) | 82 (6) | 101 (9) | -2 (3) | -4 (4) | -4 (6) |
| C(4) | 2190 (4) | - 1501 (6) | 2679 (9) | 44 (3) | 96 (6) | 101 (9) | 18 (3) | 18 (4) | 24 (7) |
| C(5) | 1577 (3) | -1924 (5) | 1699 (10) | 26 (2) | 76 (6) | 152 (11) | 5 (3) | 10 (4) | 4 (7) |
| C(6) | 1572 (4) | - 3272 (6) | 1696 (11) | 49 (3) | 69 (5) | 202 (13) | -6 (4) | 7 (5) | -6 (8) |
| C(7) | 819 (3) | - 1470 (6) | 2194 (10) | 30 (2) | 114 (8) | 185 (13) | 4 (3) | 28 (5) | 23 (8) |
| C(8) | 1850 (3) | 1310 (5) | 2390 (10) | 33 (2) | 87 (6) | 119 (11) | 18 (3) | 8 (4) | -12 (7) |
| C(9) | 1852 (4) | 1386 (7) | 3982 (11) | 43 (3) | 120 (8) | 157 (12) | 3 (4) | 7 (5) | -39 (8) |
| $\mathrm{C}(10)$ | 1401 (4) | 2219 (6) | 1639 (10) | 36 (3) | 91 (7) | 170 (11) | -1 (3) | 1 (5) | -3 (8) |
| C(11) | 3941 (3) | -415 (5) | 1271 (11) | 25 (2) | 78 (6) | 227 (16) | -1 (3) | -2 (5) | -15 (9) |
| C(12) | 4269 (4) | - 1069 (6) | 2566 (12) | 29 (2) | 115 (9) | 276 (17) | 6 (3) | -36 (5) | 12 (10) |
| $\mathrm{C}(13)$ | 4352 (4) | -811 (6) | -71 (11) | 34 (3) | 130 (8) | 196 (12) | 3 (4) | 29 (5) | -6(10) |
| C(14) | 4002 (4) | 929 (6) | 1490 (12) | 38 (3) | 79 (6) | 302 (19) | -19 (3) | 0 (6) | -7 (10) |
| C(15) | 1307 (3) | -552 (6) | - 1660 (10) | 36 (3) | 82 (7) | 140 (11) | 6 (3) | -18(4) | -15 (7) |
| $\mathrm{C}(16)$ | 1891 (4) | - 1101 (6) | -2657 (9) | 48 (3) | 98 (6) | 126 (11) | 18 (4) | -12 (5) | -21 (7) |
| C (17) | 597 (4) | -1283 (7) | - 1655 (12) | 32 (2) | 120 (8) | 246 (11) | -3 (4) | -26 (5) | -26 (9) |
| C(18) | 1107 (4) | 688 (6) | - 2152 (11) | 50 (3) | 104 (7) | 150 (12) | 22 (4) | -36 (5) | 7 (7) |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)$ | 3161 (2) | -844 (4) | 1106 (9) | 25 (2) | 85 (5) | 145 (8) | -6 (2) | 1 (4) | -6 (6) |
| $\mathrm{N}(2)$ | 1542 (2) | -471 (4) | -172 (8) | 28 (2) | 64 (5) | 146 (9) | 2 (2) | 5 (3) | -0 (5) |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)$ | 2874 (2) | -268 (4) | -182 (8) | 27 (1) | 108 (5) | 128 (7) | 5 (2) | 6 (3) | -0 (5) |
| $\mathrm{O}(2)$ | 1745 (2) | -1634 (3) | 253 (8) | 29 (1) | 71 (4) | 120 (6) | 3 (2) | -3 (3) | -3 (4) |
| $\mathrm{O}(3)$ | 2270 (3) | -1949 (5) | 3822 (8) | 66 (3) | 145 (6) | 150 (9) | -12 (3) | -3 (4) | 46 (6) |

(b) Coordinates ( $\times 10^{4}$ ) of hydrogen atoms (all having $B_{\mathrm{iso}}=7 \cdot 0 \AA^{2}$ )

|  | $x / a$ | $y / b$ | $z / c$ |  | $x / a$ | $y / b$ | $z / c$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $\mathrm{H}(1)$ | $2194(43)$ | $1078(68)$ | $-348(98)$ | $\mathrm{H}(17)$ | $4161(44)$ | $-2044(62)$ | $2214(93)$ |
| $\mathrm{H}(2)$ | $2865(40)$ | $-199(66)$ | $3107(94)$ | $\mathrm{H}(18)$ | $4925(45)$ | $-545(61)$ | $32(93)$ |
| $\mathrm{H}(3)$ | $1197(43)$ | $-3649(63)$ | $1210(97)$ | $\mathrm{H}(19)$ | $4217(40)$ | $-297(67)$ | $-835(90)$ |
| $\mathrm{H}(4)$ | $2138(43)$ | $-3511(61)$ | $1279(100)$ | $\mathrm{H}(20)$ | $4362(4)$ | $-1749(66)$ | $13(10)$ |
| $\mathrm{H}(5)$ | $1602(43)$ | $-3388(64)$ | $2678(94)$ | $\mathrm{H}(21)$ | $3750(42)$ | $1341(63)$ | $683(85)$ |
| $\mathrm{H}(6)$ | $671(41)$ | $-1759(66)$ | $3194(103)$ | $\mathrm{H}(22)$ | $4598(44)$ | $1166(63)$ | $1366(92)$ |
| $\mathrm{H}(7)$ | $818(41)$ | $-495(65)$ | $2259(90)$ | $\mathrm{H}(23)$ | $3747(42)$ | $1178(66)$ | $2502(100)$ |
| $\mathrm{H}(8)$ | $406(42)$ | $-1686(5)$ | $1571(93)$ | $\mathrm{H}(24)$ | $2091(40)$ | $-2000(63)$ | $-2310(90)$ |
| $\mathrm{H}(9)$ | $1371(44)$ | $1353(69)$ | $4392(89)$ | $\mathrm{H}(25)$ | $1754(41)$ | $-1129(64)$ | $-3631(99)$ |
| $\mathrm{H}(10)$ | $2103(41)$ | $2189(71)$ | $4350(88)$ | $\mathrm{H}(26)$ | $2427(42)$ | $-403(66)$ | $-2427(90)$ |
| $\mathrm{H}(11)$ | $2213(44)$ | $748(69)$ | $4213(86)$ | $\mathrm{H}(27)$ | $711(43)$ | $-2143(64)$ | $-1408(91)$ |
| $\mathrm{H}(12)$ | $1611(45)$ | $3025(68)$ | $1933(94)$ | $\mathrm{H}(28)$ | $125(40)$ | $-667(63)$ | $-987(01)$ |
| $\mathrm{H}(13)$ | $920(48)$ | $2022(66)$ | $1639(94)$ | $\mathrm{H}(29)$ | $334(44)$ | $-1259(66)$ | $-2576(101)$ |
| $\mathrm{H}(14)$ | $1638(42)$ | $2270(68)$ | $475(90)$ | $\mathrm{H}(30)$ | $1555(44)$ | $1037(69)$ | $-2295(90)$ |
| $\mathrm{H}(15)$ | $4127(43)$ | $-649(68)$ | $3637(100)$ | $\mathrm{H}(31)$ | $722(42)$ | $1189(68)$ | $-1564(103)$ |
| $\mathrm{H}(16)$ | $4847(41)$ | $-685(65)$ | $2695(94)$ | $\mathrm{H}(32)$ | $779(43)$ | $584(64)$ | $-3077(95)$ |

were scaled by a Wilson plot, merged to produce a unique set of 1049 reflexions [residual on merging, $\left.R_{m}=\sum| | F_{1}\left|-\left|F_{2}\right|\right| / \sum \frac{1}{2}\left(\left|F_{1}\right|+\left|F_{2}\right|\right)=0 \cdot 054\right]$, and $|E|$ values calculated.
An unsuccessful attempt was made to solve the structure automatically with MULTAN (Main, Woolfson \& Germain, 1971). Manual phase determination was then tried, with three reflexions to fix the origin, but initially taking no account of the enantiomorph. Indications were found for four other reflexions by the symbolic addition procedure, and when these were introduced into MULTAN two almost identical phase sets were output, giving two very similar $E$ maps, from which six coplanar peaks at distances of about $1.5 \AA$ from each other were isolated. Assuming these (and subsequently located peaks) to be carbon atoms, the rounds of phase recycling (Karle, 1970) gave all 23 atomic positions (Table 1). The assignment of correct scattering factors was largely based on chemical considerations: the t-butyl groups were easily identified, as were carbonyl and isopropylidene, and the remaining atoms were identified from the geometry around them. The structure thus obtained was confirmed by one cycle of full-matrix least-squares refinement of positional and isotropic thermal parameters, when no abnormal temperature factors were observed.

Full-matrix refinement was carried out with our modification of the PORFLS program (Powell \& Griffiths, 1969). Scattering factors were taken from International Tables for X-ray Crystallography (1968). Five cycles of refinement of the overall scale factor, positional and isotropic thermal parameters gave $R=0 \cdot 120$ ( $R=\sum| | F_{o}\left|-\left|F_{c}\right|\right| \Sigma\left|F_{o}\right|$ ), and a further three cycles including anisotropic temperature factors gave $R=0.089$; unit weights were used throughout. A difference map calculated at this stage gave reasonable positions for all 32 hydrogen atoms. They were assigned an isotropic temperature factor $B=7.0 \AA^{2}$ which was not refined. Four cycles of refinement including refinement of the hydrogen atom positions converged at $R=0.051$, when all the shifts in parameters were less than the standard deviations. Atomic coordinates and thermal parame-

Fig. 1. The configuration and atom numbering of the molecule.

ters are given in Table 2.* The numbering of the atoms is shown in Fig. 1, and bond lengths and angles are given in Table 3.

## Table 3. Bond lengths and angles

(a) Bond lengths ( $\AA$ ). Average e.s.d.'s for heavy-atom bonds $0.01 \AA$; for bonds to hydrogen $0.08 \AA$.

| C(2) 1.51 | $\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{C}(17)$ | 1.54 | $\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{H}(15)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{N}(2) \quad 1.47$ | $\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{C}(18)$ | 1.55 | $\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{H}(16) 1 \cdot 14$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{O}(1) 1.42$ | $\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{N}(2)$ | $1 \cdot 47$ | $\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{H}(17) 1.19$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3) \quad 1.52$ | $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{O}(1)$ | 1.48 | $\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{H}(18) 1.09$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(8) \quad 1.31$ | $\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ | 1.45 | $\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{H}(19) 0.97$ |
| C(3)-C(4) 1.51 | $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{H}(1)$ | 1.03 | $\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{H}(20) 1.09$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{N}(1) \quad 1.49$ | $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{H}(2)$ | 0.91 | $\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{H}(21) 1.01$ |
| C(4)-C(5) 1.53 | $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{H}(3)$ | 0.93 | $\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{H}(22) 1.12$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{O}(3) 1.21$ | $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{H}(4)$ | $1 \cdot 13$ | $\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{H}(23) 1 \cdot 10$ |
| C(5)-C(6) 1.56 | $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{H}(5)$ | 0.94 | $\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{H}(24) 1 \cdot 14$ |
| C(5)-C(7) 1.54 | $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{H}(6)$ | 1.04 | $\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{H}(25) 0.95$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{O}(2) 1.44$ | $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{H}(7)$ | $1 \cdot 13$ | $\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{H}(26) 1.28$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(9) \quad 1.51$ | $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{H}(8)$ | 0.99 | $\mathrm{C}(17)-\mathrm{H}(27) 1.04$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(10) 151$ | C(9)--H(9) | 0.95 | $\mathrm{C}(17)-\mathrm{H}(28) 1.28$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{C}(12) 1.56$ | $\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{H}(10)$ | 1.09 | $\mathrm{C}(17)-\mathrm{H}(29) 0.99$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{C}(13) 1.54$ | $\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{H}(11)$ | 1.01 | $\mathrm{C}(18)-\mathrm{H}(30) 0.92$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{C}(14) 1.57$ | $\mathrm{C}(10)-\mathrm{H}(12)$ | 1.04 | $\mathrm{C}(18)-\mathrm{H}(31) 1.06$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{N}(1) 1.51$ | $\mathrm{C}(10)-\mathrm{H}(13)$ | 0.90 | C(18)-H(32) 1.06 |

$\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{H}(15) 1 \cdot 15$ $\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{H}(16) 1 \cdot 14$ $\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{H}(17) 1 \cdot 19$ $\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{H}(18) 1.09$ $\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{H}(20)$ $\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{H}(21) 1.01$ $\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{H}(22) 1 \cdot 12$ $\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{H}(23) 1 \cdot 10$ $\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{H}(25) 0.95$ $\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{H}(26) 1.28$ $\mathrm{C}(17)-\mathrm{H}(28) 1.28$ $\mathrm{C}(17)-\mathrm{H}(29) 0.99$ $\mathrm{C}(18)-\mathrm{H}(30)$
$\mathrm{C}(18)-\mathrm{H}(31)$
1.06
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(b) Bond angles $\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$; e.s.d. (average) $=0 \cdot 6^{\circ}$.

| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | 104.6 | $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | 109.6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | 128.0 | $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ | $103 \cdot 4$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ | 106.8 | $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ | 113.3 |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{N}(1)$ | $110 \cdot 3$ | $\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(10)$ | $115 \cdot 5$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{N}(2)$ | $106 \cdot 7$ | $\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{O}(1)$ | $105 \cdot 5$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{O}(1)$ | 104.7 | $\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{C}(13)$ | 108.6 |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $110 \cdot 7$ | $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{N}(1)$ | 107.5 |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{N}(1)$ | $105 \cdot 5$ | $\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{C}(14)$ | $110 \cdot 5$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(9)$ | 123.1 | $\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{N}(1)$ | $106 \cdot 3$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(10)$ | 121.3 | $\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{N}(1)$ | $105 \cdot 7$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | $127 \cdot 3$ | $\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{N}(1)$ | 113.9 |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | 121.1 | $\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ | $106 \cdot 2$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{O}(3)$ | 119.3 | $\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{C}(17)$ | $110 \cdot 3$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}(15)$ | 116.0 | $\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{C}(18)$ | $110 \cdot 8$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(11)$ | $113 \cdot 1$ | $\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{N}(2)$ | $114 \cdot 1$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{O}(1)$ | 105.9 | $\mathrm{C}(17)-\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{C}(18)$ | 108.2 |
| $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | 109.0 | $\mathrm{C}(17)-\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{N}(2)$ | $105 \cdot 9$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | 110.9 | $\mathrm{C}(18)-\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{N}(2)$ | 107.2 |
| $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ | $110 \cdot 3$ | $\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{O}(1)$ | 113.9 |
| $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{O}(3)$ | 119.5 | $\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{C}(14)$ | $111 \cdot 6$ |

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Discussion. The title compound was obtained as the major thermal decomposition of (I), i.e. the reaction

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2 \mathrm{C}_{9} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{NO}+\mathrm{O} \rightarrow \mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{32} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}
$$

took place (either in presence or absence of oxygen), corresponding to dimerization with incorporation of an additional oxygen atom. This was unexpectedly different from the thermal decomposition of the similar

[^0]nitroxide radical (II) (Craig \& Roberts, 1972), and the structure of the product could not be deduced by comparison with this reaction.


(III)

The X-ray analysis was undertaken to find the molecular structure of the unexpected product, and has shown it to be (III). A speculation has been made as to the mechanism of its formation and the origin of the additional oxygen atom (Craig et al., 1973), but confirmation of this requires more experimental work with isotopically substituted molecules. The bicyclic ring system was hitherto unknown, but its detailed geometry does not appear to be remarkable. The fivemembered ring and isopropylidene group should all be planar, and the least-squares plane is given in Table 4. The N-O bond lengths are consistent with other determinations of this distance (Murray-Rust, Murray-Rust \& Riddell, 1974) in cyclic molecules, and the other lengths and angles are within typical ranges for organic compounds. There are no molecular
contacts less than $3.5 \AA$, so packing forces are unlikely to affect the geometry.

Table 4. Least-squares best plane through the five-membered ring and isopropylidene group
Equation of plane: $13.63 x+7.61 y-0.04 z=3.48$
Atom Distance from plane ( $\AA$ )

| $\mathrm{C}(1)$ | -0.30 |
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| $\mathrm{C}(2)$ | -0.12 |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)$ | -0.22 |
| $\mathrm{~N}(1)$ | 0.18 |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)$ | 0.23 |
| $\mathrm{C}(8)$ | 0.03 |
| $\mathrm{C}(9)$ | 0.08 |
| $\mathrm{C}(10)$ | 0.11 |

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# The Crystal and Molecular Structure of 1,5-Cyclooctadieneacetylacetonatorhodium(I) 

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#### Abstract

C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{Rh}\), monoclinic, space group $C c$, with $a=6 \cdot 854$ (5), $b=18.645$ (10), $c=9.864$ (7) $\AA, \beta=$ $93.1(2)^{\circ}, U=1258.7 \AA^{3}, Z=4, D_{c}=1.64 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~cm}^{-3} . R$ is 0.040 for 1884 counter reflexions. Mean Rh-O and $\mathrm{Rh}-\mathrm{C}$ bond lengths are $2 \cdot 060$ and $2 \cdot 103 \AA$ respectively.

Introduction. The yellow transparent crystals commonly have the forms $\{100\},\{021\}$ and $\{0 \overline{2} 1\}$. The cell dimen-


sions were determined from precession photographs. The intensities of reflexions with $\theta<30^{\circ}$ were measured on a Stoe Weissenberg diffractometer in ten layers, 0 kl through $9 k l$, with monochromatic Mo $K \alpha$ radiation and an $\omega$-scan technique. A crystal of approximate dimensions $0.081 \times 0.031 \times 0.017 \mathrm{~cm}$ was used. The 1884 reflexions with significant intensity $[I<3 \sigma(I)]$ and with $\sin \theta / \lambda>0 \cdot 1 \AA^{-1}$ were corrected for Lorentz and


[^0]:    * A list of structure factors has been deposited with the British Library Lending Division as Supplementary Publication No. SUP 30736 ( 8 pp .). Copies may be obtained through The Executive Secretary, International Union of Crystallography, 13 White Friars, Chester CH1 1NZ, England.

