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# Crystal structure of (5-ethyl-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1,3-dioxan-5-yl)methanol, C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>4</sub>



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## Abstract

C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>4</sub>, triclinic,  $P\bar{1}$ , a = 6.1028(13) Å, b = 10.885(2) Å, c = 20.737(4) Å,  $\alpha = 100.673(2)^{\circ}$ ,  $\beta = 92.465(2)^{\circ}$ ,  $\gamma = 98.973(2)^{\circ}$ , V = 1333.5(5) Å<sup>3</sup>, Z = 4,  $R_{gt}(F) = 0.0431$ ,  $wR_{ref}(F^2) = 0.1225$ , T = 296(2) K.

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One of two crystallographically independent molecules of the title crystal structure is shown in the figure. Tables 1 and 2 contain details on crystal structure and measurement conditions and a list of the atoms including atomic coordinates and displacement parameters.

# Source of material

Trimethylolpropane (1.47 g, 11 mmol), 4-methoxybenzaldehyde (1.36 g, 10 mmol), cyclohexane (10.0 mL), *N*,*N*dimethytformamide (5.0 mL) and *p*-toluene sulfonic acid (0.15 g) were heated and stirred at 388 K for 5 h. Now sodium bicarbonate (0.09 g) was added to dissolve the residue after the solvent was evaporated. The solution was washed with brine (10 mL\*3), and dried with anhydrous sodium sulfate. The resulting solution was filtered and evaporated, and the product was recrystallized from cyclohexane and ethyl acetate to afford colourless crystals (1.89 g, yield 75%).

Xian-You Yuan, Lin Yuan and Min Zhang: College of Chemistry and Bioengineering, Hunan University of Science and Engineering, Yongzhou, Hunan 425199, P.R. China Table 1: Data collection and handling.

Crystal:	Yellow block
Size	0.42 imes 0.37 imes 0.33 mm
Wavelength:	Mo Kα radiation (0.71073 Å)
μ:	$0.09 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
Diffractometer, scan mode:	Bruker APEXII, $arphi$ and $\omega$
$\theta_{\max}$ , completeness:	25.0°, >99%
N(hkl) <sub>measured</sub> , N(hkl) <sub>unique</sub> , R <sub>int</sub> :	12893, 4683, 0.024
Criterion for I <sub>obs</sub> , N(hkl)gt:	$I_{ m obs}$ $>$ 2 $\sigma(I_{ m obs})$ , 3531
N(param) <sub>refined</sub> :	329
Programs:	Bruker [8], SHELX [9], Olex2 [10]

**Table 2:** Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalentisotropic displacement parameters ( $Å^2$ ).

Atom	x	у	z	U <sub>iso</sub> */U <sub>eq</sub>
01	0.5588(2)	0.83716(11)	0.43992(6)	0.0607(3)
02	0.44859(17)	0.34516(10)	0.21887(5)	0.0503(3)
03	0.82794(17)	0.41785(10)	0.22107(5)	0.0509(3)
04	0.8917(2)	0.09975(11)	0.07063(6)	0.0587(3)
H4	0.8670	0.1112	0.0332	0.088*
C1	0.7448(4)	0.90499(19)	0.48291(10)	0.0767(6)
H1A	0.8653	0.9303	0.4573	0.115*
H1B	0.7908	0.8515	0.5110	0.115*
H1C	0.7035	0.9789	0.5093	0.115*
C2	0.5931(3)	0.73228(15)	0.39629(8)	0.0474(4)
С3	0.4165(3)	0.67435(16)	0.35137(8)	0.0549(4)
H3	0.2868	0.7093	0.3513	0.066*
C4	0.4302(3)	0.56577(16)	0.30683(8)	0.0532(4)
H4A	0.3088	0.5272	0.2775	0.064*
C5	0.6233(3)	0.51324(15)	0.30519(7)	0.0451(4)
C6	0.7988(3)	0.57326(17)	0.34948(9)	0.0588(5)
H6	0.9301	0.5398	0.3488	0.071*
C7	0.7862(3)	0.68148(18)	0.39481(9)	0.0594(5)
H7	0.9074	0.7200	0.4242	0.071*
C8	0.6450(3)	0.39293(16)	0.25922(8)	0.0480(4)
H8	0.6744	0.3299	0.2852	0.058*
C9	0.4655(3)	0.22577(15)	0.17870(8)	0.0506(4)
H9A	0.3289	0.1942	0.1510	0.061*
H9B	0.4839	0.1653	0.2066	0.061*
C10	0.6617(2)	0.23656(14)	0.13540(7)	0.0410(4)
C11	0.8667(3)	0.30232(16)	0.18084(8)	0.0511(4)
H11A	0.9061	0.2457	0.2088	0.061*
H11B	0.9909	0.3208	0.1545	0.061*
C12	0.6232(3)	0.31489(15)	0.08293(8)	0.0480(4)
H12A	0.5997	0.3980	0.1050	0.058*
H12B	0.7578	0.3269	0.0600	0.058*
C13	0.4300(3)	0.25958(19)	0.03219(10)	0.0706(5)
H13A	0.4576	0.1811	0.0067	0.106*

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Table 2 (continued)

Atom	x	у	z	U <sub>iso</sub> */U <sub>eq</sub>
H13B	0.4141	0.3182	0.0036	0.106*
H13C	0.2958	0.2443	0.0541	0.106*
C14	0.6938(3)	0.10291(15)	0.10514(8)	0.0516(4)
H14A	0.6999	0.0542	0.1397	0.062*
H14B	0.5663	0.0627	0.0749	0.062*
05	0.9048(2)	0.36610(14)	0.44044(7)	0.0781(4)
06	0.81422(18)	-0.08568(11)	0.20359(5)	0.0524(3)
07	1.1217(2)	-0.12335(12)	0.26251(6)	0.0614(3)
08	1.1052(2)	-0.10886(12)	0.06112(6)	0.0663(4)
H8A	1.0315	-0.0515	0.0681	0.100*
C15	0.7140(4)	0.3921(2)	0.47389(12)	0.0964(8)
H15A	0.5942	0.3924	0.4424	0.145*
H15B	0.7480	0.4735	0.5027	0.145*
H15C	0.6708	0.3280	0.4992	0.145*
C16	0.8904(3)	0.25229(18)	0.39823(9)	0.0593(5)
C17	0.7061(3)	0.15755(19)	0.38699(10)	0.0675(5)
H17	0.5777	0.1694	0.4082	0.081*
C18	0.7135(3)	0.04527(18)	0.34414(10)	0.0648(5)
H18	0.5881	-0.0176	0.3365	0.078*
C19	0.9009(3)	0.02380(17)	0.31245(8)	0.0537(4)
C20	1.0828(3)	0.1214(2)	0.32277(9)	0.0664(5)
H20	1.2101	0.1101	0.3008	0.080*
C21	1.0775(3)	0.2342(2)	0.36490(10)	0.0706(5)
H21	1.2004	0.2986	0.3710	0.085*
C22	0.9028(3)	-0.09792(17)	0.26591(8)	0.0557(4)
H22	0.8091	-0.1669	0.2811	0.067*
C23	0.8096(3)	-0.19931(16)	0.15622(9)	0.0537(4)
H23A	0.7472	-0.1887	0.1142	0.064*
H23B	0.7139	-0.2683	0.1699	0.064*
C24	1.0409(2)	-0.23339(14)	0.14809(8)	0.0446(4)
C25	1.1350(3)	-0.23750(17)	0.21695(8)	0.0573(5)
H25A	1.0526	-0.3092	0.2320	0.069*
H25B	1.2891	-0.2493	0.2153	0.069*
C26	1.0175(3)	-0.36285(16)	0.10254(10)	0.0623(5)
H26A	0.9007	-0.4199	0.1174	0.075*
H26B	0.9683	-0.3538	0.0588	0.075*
C27	1.2224(4)	-0.42525(19)	0.09700(12)	0.0772(6)
H27A	1.1892	-0.5041	0.0660	0.116*
H27B	1.2675	-0.4410	0.1392	0.116*
H27C	1.3405	-0.3703	0.0823	0.116*
C28	1.1906(3)	-0.13095(15)	0.12186(8)	0.0497(4)
H28A	1.2104	-0.0525	0.1542	0.060*
H28B	1.3357	-0.1556	0.1162	0.060*

## **Experimental details**

All hydrogen atoms were positioned geometrically. The  $U_{\rm iso}$  values of the hydrogen atoms of methyl groups were set to 1.5  $U_{\rm eq}(C)$  and the  $U_{\rm iso}$  values of all other hydrogen atoms were set to 1.2  $U_{\rm eq}(C)$ .

### Comment

Acetal compounds were widely used in fragrances and food flavors [1–3]. Acetal compounds are stable in neutral and alkaline conditions and will degradate and generate a material of small molecules in acidic conditions. Polyfunctional

branched compounds is a new class of compounds with a wide range of applications [4–7]. Herein, an acetal compound is reported, which was synthesized and characterized by single-crystal X-ray diffraction [8, 9].

In the structure, the torsion angles of C(9)-O(2)-C(8)-O(3), C(11)-O(3)-C(8)-O(2) and C(8)-O(3)-C(11)-C(10) are 63.56(16), -63.37(16) and 58.19(16), respectively, indicating that the 1,3-dioxane ring exhibits a chair conformation. The torsion angle of C(11)-O(3)-C(8)-C(5) is 174.60(12), suggesting that the phenyl ring occupies the equatorial bond of C(8) atom. The geometry of the two crystallographically independent molecules are very similar.

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