

**1,1'-{[1,4-Phenylenebis(methylene)]-
bis(oxy)bis(3,1-phenylene)}diethanone**

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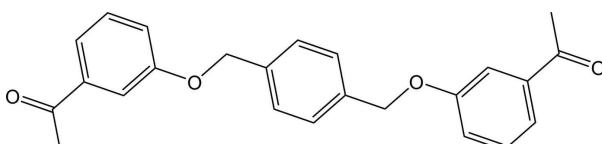
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; $T = 100\text{ K}$; mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003\text{ \AA}$;
 R factor = 0.040; wR factor = 0.107; data-to-parameter ratio = 13.5.

In the title compound, $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_4$, the centroid of the central benzene ring lies on a special position of $2/m$ site symmetry, while the terminal aromatic rings are located on a mirror plane. The central and terminal benzene rings are perpendicular to each other. In the crystal, the molecules are connected via $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$ hydrogen bonds into a three-dimensional polymeric structure. The network is further consolidated by a $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\pi$ interaction.

Related literature

For the related structure of the *o*-acetyl isomer, see: Al-Mohammed *et al.* (2011).

**Experimental***Crystal data*

$\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_4$
 $M_r = 374.42$
Monoclinic, $C2/m$
 $a = 20.6446(9)\text{ \AA}$

$b = 7.0205(4)\text{ \AA}$
 $c = 6.5523(3)\text{ \AA}$
 $\beta = 93.083(3)^\circ$
 $V = 948.29(8)\text{ \AA}^3$

$Z = 2$
Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 $\mu = 0.09\text{ mm}^{-1}$

$T = 100\text{ K}$
 $0.27 \times 0.15 \times 0.05\text{ mm}$

Data collection

Bruker APEXII CCD
diffractometer
Absorption correction: multi-scan
(*SADABS*; Sheldrick, 1996)
 $T_{\min} = 0.977$, $T_{\max} = 0.996$

3981 measured reflections
1120 independent reflections
872 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.024$

Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.040$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.107$
 $S = 1.05$
1120 reflections

83 parameters
H-atom parameters constrained
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.26\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.21\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

Table 1
Hydrogen-bond geometry (\AA , $^\circ$).

Cg is the centroid of the central benzene ring.

$D-\text{H}\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}$	$\text{H}\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}\cdots A$
$\text{C}5-\text{H}5\cdots\text{O}2^i$	0.95	2.50	3.435 (2)	170
$\text{C}11-\text{H}11\cdots\text{O}1^{ii}$	0.95	2.54	3.4215 (16)	155
$\text{C}6-\text{H}6\cdots Cg^i$	0.95	2.95	3.8469 (19)	157

Symmetry codes: (i) $x, y, z + 1$; (ii) $-x + \frac{1}{2}, y + \frac{1}{2}, -z + 1$.

Data collection: *APEX2* (Bruker, 2007); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2007); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *X-SEED* (Barbour, 2001); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97* and *publCIF* (Westrip, 2010).

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S1. Comment

We have recently reported the crystal structure of the *o*-acetyl isomer of the title compound (Al-Mohammed *et al.*, 2011). In the present molecule all the non-H atoms, except for C11, lie on a mirror plane and the centroid of the central benzene ring is placed on a special position of 2/m site symmetry. In the crystal, the molecules are linked through C—H···O bonds (Table 1) into a three-dimensional polymeric structure. The network is further consolidated by C—H··· π interactions [C6··· C_g = 3.8469 (19) Å where C_g is the centroid of the central benzene ring]

S2. Experimental

To a mixture of α,α' -dibromo-*p*-xylene (1 g, 3.8 mmol) and potassium carbonate (1.05 g, 7.57 mmol) in dry acetone (25 ml), 3'-hydroxyacetophenone (1.03 g, 7.57 mmole) was added. The mixture was refluxed for 2 days. The solvent was then evaporated under reduced pressure and the crude material was extracted by dichloromethane (3×25 ml). The combined organic layers was washed with water and brine and dried over sodium sulfate. The solvent was then evaporated the solid was re-crystallized from chloroform to give off-white crystals of the title compound.

S3. Refinement

Hydrogen atoms were placed at calculated positions and refined as riding atoms with C—H distances of 0.95 (aryl), 0.98 (methyl) and 0.99 (methylene) Å, and $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H})$ set to 1.2 (1.5 for methyl) U_{eq} (carrier atoms). A rotating group model was used for the methyl group.

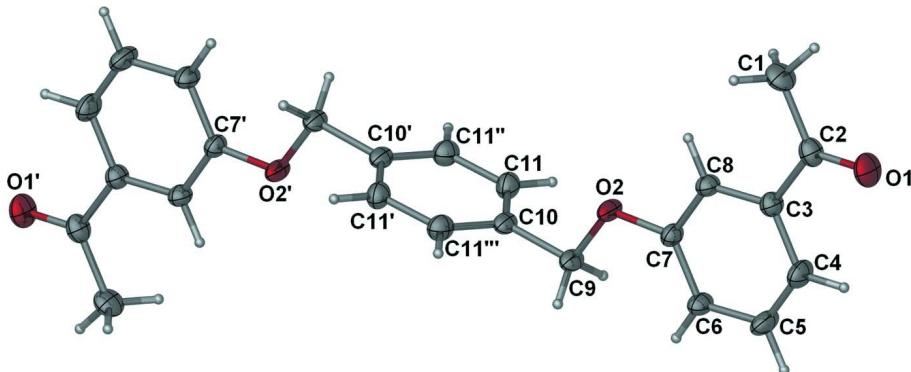


Figure 1

Molecular structure of the title compound with displacement ellipsoids drawn at 50% probability level. Hydrogen atoms are drawn as spheres of arbitrary radius. [Symmetry codes: ' = $-x+1, -y, -z$; '' = $-x+1, y, -z$; '''' = $x, -y, z$.]

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 $Z = 2$

$F(000) = 396$
 $D_x = 1.311$ Mg m⁻³
Mo $K\alpha$ radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å
Cell parameters from 1083 reflections
 $\theta = 3.1\text{--}29.5^\circ$
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 $h = -26 \rightarrow 25$
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Refinement

Refinement on F^2
Least-squares matrix: full
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 $S = 1.05$
1120 reflections
83 parameters
0 restraints
Primary atom site location: structure-invariant
direct methods

Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier
map
Hydrogen site location: inferred from
neighbouring sites
H-atom parameters constrained
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.045P)^2 + 0.5308P]$
where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.26$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.21$ e Å⁻³

Special details

Geometry. All e.s.d.'s (except the e.s.d. in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell e.s.d.'s are taken into account individually in the estimation of e.s.d.'s in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between e.s.d.'s in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell e.s.d.'s is used for estimating e.s.d.'s involving l.s. planes.

Refinement. Refinement of F^2 against ALL reflections. The weighted R -factor wR and goodness of fit S are based on F^2 , conventional R -factors R are based on F , with F set to zero for negative F^2 . The threshold expression of $F^2 > \sigma(F^2)$ is used only for calculating R -factors(gt) etc. and is not relevant to the choice of reflections for refinement. R -factors based on F^2 are statistically about twice as large as those based on F , and R -factors based on ALL data will be even larger.

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (Å²)

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$	Occ. (<1)
O1	0.09646 (6)	0.0000	0.6315 (2)	0.0420 (4)	
O2	0.35997 (5)	0.0000	0.31330 (17)	0.0303 (4)	
C1	0.11430 (9)	0.0000	0.2772 (3)	0.0379 (5)	
H1A	0.1278	-0.1190	0.2140	0.057*	0.50

H1B	0.1340	0.1082	0.2090	0.057*	0.50
H1C	0.0669	0.0109	0.2635	0.057*	0.50
C2	0.13609 (9)	0.0000	0.5003 (3)	0.0305 (4)	
C3	0.20700 (8)	0.0000	0.5583 (3)	0.0266 (4)	
C4	0.22729 (9)	0.0000	0.7659 (3)	0.0366 (5)	
H4	0.1961	0.0000	0.8674	0.044*	
C5	0.29237 (9)	0.0000	0.8226 (3)	0.0383 (5)	
H5	0.3058	0.0000	0.9636	0.046*	
C6	0.33890 (8)	0.0000	0.6764 (3)	0.0294 (4)	
H6	0.3838	0.0000	0.7170	0.035*	
C7	0.31899 (8)	0.0000	0.4707 (2)	0.0255 (4)	
C8	0.25302 (8)	0.0000	0.4124 (3)	0.0258 (4)	
H8	0.2396	0.0000	0.2715	0.031*	
C9	0.42832 (8)	0.0000	0.3689 (3)	0.0276 (4)	
H9A	0.4399	-0.1144	0.4514	0.033*	
C10	0.46469 (8)	0.0000	0.1763 (3)	0.0258 (4)	
C11	0.48225 (6)	0.1701 (2)	0.08780 (18)	0.0310 (3)	
H11	0.4701	0.2875	0.1468	0.037*	

Atomic displacement parameters (\AA^2)

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
O1	0.0241 (7)	0.0579 (10)	0.0452 (8)	0.000	0.0121 (6)	0.000
O2	0.0150 (6)	0.0586 (9)	0.0174 (6)	0.000	0.0014 (4)	0.000
C1	0.0199 (9)	0.0522 (14)	0.0409 (11)	0.000	-0.0038 (8)	0.000
C2	0.0220 (9)	0.0336 (11)	0.0365 (10)	0.000	0.0055 (7)	0.000
C3	0.0210 (9)	0.0340 (11)	0.0251 (9)	0.000	0.0029 (7)	0.000
C4	0.0280 (9)	0.0587 (14)	0.0239 (9)	0.000	0.0088 (7)	0.000
C5	0.0314 (10)	0.0656 (15)	0.0178 (8)	0.000	0.0029 (7)	0.000
C6	0.0210 (8)	0.0459 (12)	0.0211 (8)	0.000	-0.0008 (7)	0.000
C7	0.0220 (8)	0.0357 (11)	0.0189 (8)	0.000	0.0036 (6)	0.000
C8	0.0218 (8)	0.0355 (11)	0.0199 (8)	0.000	-0.0004 (6)	0.000
C9	0.0154 (8)	0.0466 (12)	0.0206 (8)	0.000	-0.0001 (6)	0.000
C10	0.0145 (8)	0.0429 (12)	0.0200 (8)	0.000	-0.0003 (6)	0.000
C11	0.0258 (6)	0.0401 (8)	0.0274 (7)	0.0016 (6)	0.0044 (5)	-0.0037 (6)

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

O1—C2	1.218 (2)	C5—C6	1.393 (2)
O2—C7	1.3685 (19)	C5—H5	0.9500
O2—C9	1.4382 (19)	C6—C7	1.388 (2)
C1—C2	1.506 (3)	C6—H6	0.9500
C1—H1A	0.9800	C7—C8	1.394 (2)
C1—H1B	0.9800	C8—H8	0.9500
C1—H1C	0.9800	C9—C10	1.503 (2)
C2—C3	1.493 (2)	C9—H9A	0.9900
C3—C8	1.383 (2)	C10—C11	1.3844 (16)
C3—C4	1.402 (3)	C10—C11 ⁱ	1.3844 (16)

C4—C5	1.375 (3)	C11—C11 ⁱⁱ	1.397 (2)
C4—H4	0.9500	C11—H11	0.9500
C7—O2—C9	116.56 (12)	C7—C6—C5	119.27 (16)
C2—C1—H1A	109.5	C7—C6—H6	120.4
C2—C1—H1B	109.5	C5—C6—H6	120.4
H1A—C1—H1B	109.5	O2—C7—C6	124.68 (15)
C2—C1—H1C	109.5	O2—C7—C8	115.34 (14)
H1A—C1—H1C	109.5	C6—C7—C8	119.98 (15)
H1B—C1—H1C	109.5	C3—C8—C7	120.52 (15)
O1—C2—C3	120.47 (17)	C3—C8—H8	119.7
O1—C2—C1	120.54 (17)	C7—C8—H8	119.7
C3—C2—C1	118.99 (16)	O2—C9—C10	108.37 (13)
C8—C3—C4	119.34 (16)	O2—C9—H9A	110.0
C8—C3—C2	121.66 (16)	C10—C9—H9A	110.0
C4—C3—C2	119.00 (16)	C11—C10—C11 ⁱ	119.26 (16)
C5—C4—C3	119.93 (17)	C11—C10—C9	120.36 (8)
C5—C4—H4	120.0	C11 ⁱ —C10—C9	120.36 (8)
C3—C4—H4	120.0	C10—C11—C11 ⁱⁱ	120.37 (8)
C4—C5—C6	120.95 (17)	C10—C11—H11	119.8
C4—C5—H5	119.5	C11 ⁱⁱ —C11—H11	119.8
C6—C5—H5	119.5		

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Hydrogen-bond geometry (\AA , $^\circ$)

C_g is the centroid of the central benzene ring.

$D\cdots H\cdots A$	$D—H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D—H\cdots A$
C5—H5 ⁱⁱⁱ ···O2 ⁱⁱⁱ	0.95	2.50	3.435 (2)	170
C11—H11 ^{iv} ···O1 ^{iv}	0.95	2.54	3.4215 (16)	155
C6—H6 ⁱⁱⁱ ··· C_g ⁱⁱⁱ	0.95	2.95	3.8469 (19)	157

Symmetry codes: (iii) $x, y, z+1$; (iv) $-x+1/2, y+1/2, -z+1$.