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2,5-Bis(4-chlorobenzylidene)cyclopentanone

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The title bis-chalcone compound, $C_{19}H_{14}Cl_2O$, crystallizes with one halfmolecule in the asymmetric unit. The molecule has crystallographic mirror symmetry with the C==O bond on the mirror plane. The molecule adopts an *E* configuration about the central olefinic bonds. In the crystal, molecules are linked *via* weak C-H···O hydrogen bonds, forming supramolecular chains propagating along the [100] direction.



Structure description

The development of highly efficient non-linear optical crystals is extremely important for laser spectroscopy and laser processing. Bis(arylmethylidene) cycloalkanones have been reported to exhibit promising non-linear optical properties (Yu *et al.*, 2000). In addition, these compounds are widely used as precursors for the synthesis of biologically active heterocycles (Guilford *et al.*, 1999). In view of the importance of bis-chalcones, we report herein on the synthesis and crystal structure of title compound.

The molecular structure of the title compound is shown in Fig. 1. The molecule has crystallographic mirror symmetry and adopts an E configuration about the central olefinic bonds, exhibiting a butterfly-shaped geometry. In the crystal, the molecules are linked *via* weak C-H···O hydrogen bonds (Table 1), forming supramolecular chains propagating along the [100] direction.



Table 1Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	$D-\mathrm{H}$	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - H \cdots A$
$C9-H5\cdots O1^{i}$	0.97	2.54	3.270 (3)	132

Symmetry code: (i) x + 1, y, z.



Figure 1

The molecular structure of the title compound, showing the atomnumbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids for non-H atoms are drawn at the 50% probability level. Unlabelled atoms are generated by the symmetry operation $x, \frac{3}{2} - y, z$.

Synthesis and crystallization

A mixture of cyclopentanone (0.84 g, 0.01 mol) and 4-chlorobenzaldehyde (2.80 g, 0.02 mol) in 30 ml ethanolic sodium hydroxide (0.1 mol) was stirred at 278–283 K for 3 h. The precipitate formed was collected by filtration and purified by recrystallization from ethanol solution. Single crystals were grown from DMF in 86% yield by slow evaporation.

Refinement

Crystal data, data collection and structure refinement details are summarized in Table 2.

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Table	2	
Experi	mental	details

$C_{19}H_{14}Cl_2O$
329.20
Orthorhombic, Pnma
296
6.1029 (4), 35.7084 (18), 7.2217 (6)
1573.79 (18)
4
Μο Κα
0.41
$0.29 \times 0.27 \times 0.25$
Bruker APEXII
Multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 2011)
0.888, 0.902
6328, 1583, 1063
0.034
0.619
0.044, 0.111, 1.04
1583
103
H-atom parameters constrained
0.20, -0.20

Computer programs: *APEX2* and *SAINT* (Bruker, 2011), *SHELXS97* and *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008) and *Mercury* (Macrae *et al.*, 2008).

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full crystallographic data

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Crystal data

C₁₉H₁₄Cl₂O $M_r = 329.20$ Orthorhombic, *Pnma* Hall symbol: -P 2ac 2n a = 6.1029 (4) Å b = 35.7084 (18) Å c = 7.2217 (6) Å V = 1573.79 (18) Å³ Z = 4F(000) = 680

Data collection

Bruker APEXII diffractometer Radiation source: Enraf Nonius FR590 Graphite monochromator Detector resolution: 18.4 pixels mm⁻¹ CCD rotation images, thick slices scans Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 2011) $T_{min} = 0.888, T_{max} = 0.902$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2 Second
Least-squares matrix: fullmap $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.044$ Hydrog $wR(F^2) = 0.111$ neigiS = 1.04H-atom1583 reflectionsw = 1/[103 parameterswhen0 restraints $(\Delta/\sigma)_{ma}$ Primary atom site location: structure-invariant $\Delta\rho_{min} =$ direct methods $\Delta\rho_{min}$

 $D_x = 1.389 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Melting point: 432 K Mo *Ka* radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ Å}$ Cell parameters from 1063 reflections $\theta = 2.9-26.1^{\circ}$ $\mu = 0.41 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 296 KRectangle, colorless $0.29 \times 0.27 \times 0.25 \text{ mm}$

6328 measured reflections 1583 independent reflections 1063 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $R_{int} = 0.034$ $\theta_{max} = 26.1^{\circ}, \ \theta_{min} = 2.9^{\circ}$ $h = -7 \rightarrow 5$ $k = -43 \rightarrow 42$ $l = -4 \rightarrow 8$

Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites H-atom parameters constrained $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0447P)^2 + 0.4484P]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.001$ $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.20$ e Å⁻³ $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.20$ e Å⁻³

Special details

Geometry. Bond distances, angles etc. have been calculated using the rounded fractional coordinates. All su's are estimated from the variances of the (full) variance-covariance matrix. The cell esds are taken into account in the estimation of distances, angles and torsion angles

Refinement. Refinement on F^2 for ALL reflections except those flagged by the user for potential systematic errors. Weighted R-factors wR and all goodnesses 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 observed criterion of $F^2 > 2sigma(F^2)$ is used only for calculating -R-factor-obs 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.

	x	У	Ζ	$U_{ m iso}$ */ $U_{ m eq}$
Cl1	0.78079 (13)	0.52896 (2)	1.04515 (13)	0.0841 (4)
O1	0.1615 (3)	0.75000	0.8758 (3)	0.0438 (7)
C1	0.6686 (4)	0.57327 (6)	1.0207 (3)	0.0482 (8)
C2	0.7870 (4)	0.60368 (6)	1.0815 (3)	0.0475 (8)
C3	0.7013 (3)	0.63916 (6)	1.0602 (3)	0.0425 (8)
C4	0.4964 (3)	0.64510 (5)	0.9785 (3)	0.0347 (7)
C5	0.3827 (4)	0.61340 (5)	0.9195 (3)	0.0422 (8)
C6	0.4653 (4)	0.57775 (6)	0.9402 (3)	0.0509 (9)
C7	0.3980 (3)	0.68207 (5)	0.9492 (3)	0.0341 (7)
C8	0.4771 (3)	0.71622 (5)	0.9844 (3)	0.0324 (6)
C9	0.6917 (3)	0.72845 (5)	1.0656 (3)	0.0411 (8)
C10	0.3465 (4)	0.75000	0.9390 (4)	0.0318 (9)
H1	0.78180	0.65970	1.10110	0.0510*
H2	0.38550	0.55710	0.90050	0.0610*
Н3	0.24620	0.61640	0.86410	0.0510*
H4	0.25820	0.68170	0.89810	0.0410*
Н5	0.81240	0.71900	0.99180	0.0490*
H7	0.92350	0.60030	1.13630	0.0570*
H8	0.70690	0.71900	1.19090	0.0490*

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters $(Å^2)$

Atomic	displa	acement	parameters	(A^2)
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U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
0.0893 (6)	0.0438 (4)	0.1191 (8)	0.0186 (3)	-0.0081 (5)	0.0048 (4)
0.0301 (10)	0.0461 (12)	0.0551 (16)	0.0000	-0.0091 (10)	0.0000
0.0577 (14)	0.0395 (12)	0.0474 (16)	0.0083 (11)	0.0044 (13)	0.0044 (10)
0.0426 (12)	0.0511 (14)	0.0489 (17)	0.0045 (11)	-0.0060 (11)	0.0071 (11)
0.0422 (12)	0.0399 (12)	0.0454 (16)	-0.0008 (10)	-0.0064 (11)	0.0028 (10)
0.0356 (10)	0.0376 (11)	0.0308 (13)	-0.0018 (9)	0.0028 (10)	0.0018 (9)
0.0413 (11)	0.0429 (13)	0.0425 (16)	-0.0042 (9)	-0.0035 (11)	-0.0005 (10)
0.0593 (15)	0.0366 (12)	0.0567 (18)	-0.0069 (11)	-0.0052 (13)	-0.0023 (11)
0.0293 (10)	0.0406 (12)	0.0323 (14)	-0.0015 (9)	-0.0019 (9)	0.0012 (9)
0.0313 (10)	0.0388 (11)	0.0272 (12)	0.0001 (9)	0.0010 (9)	0.0027 (9)
0.0364 (11)	0.0400 (12)	0.0469 (16)	-0.0004 (9)	-0.0127 (11)	0.0026 (10)
0.0272 (14)	0.0429 (16)	0.0254 (18)	0.0000	0.0018 (13)	0.0000
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Geometric parameters (Å, °)

Cl1—Cl	1.733 (2)	С8—С9	1.500 (3)
O1—C10	1.218 (3)	C8—C10	1.483 (2)

C1—C2	1.376 (3)	C9—C9 ⁱ	1.539 (3)
C1—C6	1.380 (3)	С2—Н7	0.9300
C2—C3	1.379 (3)	C3—H1	0.9300
C3—C4	1.399 (3)	С5—Н3	0.9300
C4—C5	1.394 (3)	С6—Н2	0.9300
C4—C7	1.466 (3)	C7—H4	0.9300
C5—C6	1.377 (3)	С9—Н5	0.9700
С7—С8	1.336 (3)	С9—Н8	0.9700
$C_{11} - C_{1} - C_{2}$	118 72 (18)	C8_C10_C8 ⁱ	108 91 (19)
$C_{11} - C_{1} - C_{2}$	120.27(17)	$C_{1} - C_{2} - H_{7}$	120.00
C_{2} C_{1} C_{6}	120.27(17) 1210(2)	$C_{1} = C_{2} = H_{7}$	120.00
$C_1 = C_2 = C_3$	121.0(2) 1194(2)	$C_2 - C_3 - H_1$	119.00
$C_2 - C_3 - C_4$	121 69 (19)	C4—C3—H1	119.00
C_{3} — C_{4} — C_{5}	116.79 (18)	C4—C5—H3	119.00
C3—C4—C7	124.32 (17)	C6—C5—H3	119.00
C5—C4—C7	118.89 (18)	C1—C6—H2	121.00
C4—C5—C6	122.3 (2)	С5—С6—Н2	121.00
C1—C6—C5	118.8 (2)	С4—С7—Н4	115.00
C4—C7—C8	130.29 (18)	С8—С7—Н4	115.00
C7—C8—C9	130.97 (17)	С8—С9—Н5	110.00
C7—C8—C10	120.42 (18)	С8—С9—Н8	110.00
C9—C8—C10	108.60 (15)	Н5—С9—Н8	109.00
C8—C9—C9 ⁱ	106.93 (15)	C9 ⁱ —C9—H5	110.00
O1—C10—C8	125.55 (11)	C9 ⁱ —C9—H8	110.00
O1-C10-C8 ⁱ	125.55 (11)		
Cl1—C1—C2—C3	178.96 (17)	C4—C5—C6—C1	-0.6(3)
C6-C1-C2-C3	-0.5(3)	C4-C7-C8-C9	-0.1(4)
$C_1 - C_1 - C_6 - C_5$	-178.73(18)	C4-C7-C8-C10	178.9 (2)
C_{2} C_{1} C_{6} C_{5}	0.7 (3)	$C7-C8-C9-C9^{i}$	178.0(2)
C1—C2—C3—C4	0.1 (3)	C10—C8—C9—C9 ⁱ	-1.1(2)
C2—C3—C4—C5	0.0 (3)	C7—C8—C10—O1	3.0 (4)
C2—C3—C4—C7	-179.0(2)	C7—C8—C10—C8 ⁱ	-177.4(2)
C3—C4—C5—C6	0.2 (3)	C9—C8—C10—O1	-177.8 (3)
C7—C4—C5—C6	179.3 (2)	C9—C8—C10—C8 ⁱ	1.8 (3)
C3—C4—C7—C8	2.5 (4)	C8—C9—C9 ⁱ —C8 ⁱ	0.0 (2)
C5—C4—C7—C8	-176.4 (2)		

Symmetry code: (i) x, -y+3/2, z.

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

D—H···A	<i>D</i> —Н	H···A	$D \cdots A$	D—H···A
С9—Н5…О1 ^{іі}	0.97	2.54	3.270 (3)	132

Symmetry code: (ii) x+1, y, z.