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09.2-22 CRYSTAL AND MOLECULAR STRUCTURE OF 2-HYDROXY-4-METHOXY- ω , ω -DICHLOROACETOPHENONE. By <u>D. Chattopadhyay</u> and S. K. Mazumdar, Crystallography & Molecular Biology Division, Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics, Sector I, Block 'AF', Bidhannagar, Calcutta-700 064, India.

Acetophenone is known to have photochemical properties. Aminoacetophenones possess some degree of local anaesthetic activity (Haisa, Kashino, Yuasa & Akigawa, Acta Cryst. (1976) <u>B32</u>, 1326). The X-ray analysis of the title compound has been carried out as a part of our programme of studies on various substituted acetophenones.

Crystal and experimental data : $C_9H_8O_3Cl_2$, crystallized from ethanol, $M_r=235.08$, orthorhombic, $P2_12_12_1$, a=6.981(1), b=11.901(3), c=12.061(3) Å, Z=4, $D_m=1.553$, $D_x=1.557$ Mgm⁻³, F(000)=480, $\lambda = 0.7107$ Å, $\mu=0.624$ mm⁻¹. The structure, solved by direct methods, was refined to a final R of 0.042 with 946 'observed' reflections [I > 36(I)]. All hydrogen atoms were located and their parameters were refined.

The C(phenyl)-C(carbonyl) bond is considerably shorter than those in p-hydroxyacetophenone (Vainshtein, Lobanova & Gurskaya, Krystallografiya (1974) 19, 531), p-aminoacetophenone (Haisa <u>et al</u>. (1976)) and in 3-chloro-4-amino- ω , ω -dichloroacetophenone (A. De, unpublished). The angle <u>ipso</u> to the dichloroacetyl group is significantly shorter

than the sp² angle. These observations indicate conjugation between the phenyl ring and the carbonyl group. Substituents <u>ortho</u> (hydroxy) and <u>para</u> (methoxy) to the dichloroacetyl group, having +R effects favour the conjugation; this is further corroborated by

conjugation; this is further corroborated by the shortening of the two $C(sp^2)-O$ bonds as compared to those in p-hydroxyacetophenone (Vainshtein et al. (1974)) and p-hydroxyacetanilide (Haisa, Kashino & Maeda, Acta Cryst. (1974) <u>B30</u>, 2510). The Cl-C-Cl bond angle at the dichloroacetyl molety is comparable with similar angles in Chloramphenicol (Acharya, Sake Gowda & Post, Acta Cryst. (1979) <u>B35</u>, 1360) and 5-chloro-4amino- ω , ω -dichloroacetophenone (A. Dey, unpublished). Four of the endocyclic bond angles in the phenyl ring agree well with those in p-aminoacetophenone; the angle <u>ipso</u> to the methoxy group is larger in the present structure while that at C3 is smaller (Haisa <u>et al</u>. (1976)). An intramolecular O-H...O(carbonyl) hydrogen bond favours the <u>endo</u> conformation of the molecule; this may have aided the coplanarity of the carbonyl molety and the phenyl ring although such coplanarity is also found in acetophenone (Tanimoto, Kobayashi, Magakura & Saito, Acta Cryst. (1973) <u>B29</u>, 1822) and p-aminoacetophenone (Haisa <u>et al</u>. (1976). 09.2-23 THE CRYSTAL STRUCTURES OF OVERCROWD-ED CONDENSED POLYCYCLIC AROMATIC HYDROCARBONS. By I.Oonishi, S.Fujisawa and J.Aoki,Department of Chemistry,Faculty of Science, Toho University,Funabashi,Chiba 274, and Y.Ohashi and Y.Sasada, Laboratory of Chemistry for Natural Products, Tokyo Institute of Technology,Nagatsuta,Midori-ku,Yokohama 227,Japan.

We have been studying the synthesis and structure of a series of overcrowded condensed polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, which are stereochemically interesting because they exhibit great steric hindrance between hydrogen atoms. Recently, X-ray analysis of violanthrene B(I) was undertaken to compare the crystal and molecular

structure with those of II and III(Bull. Chem.Soc.Jpn., I II III (1978)51,2256 and (1982)55,3424). Crystals of I, C₃₄H₁₈, are

monoclinic, and space group $P2_1/c$,with the lattice constants a=25.88(1),b=3.807(5),c=19.975 (8) Å, β =96.55(3)°, and Z=4. The structure was solved by the direct method and refined by a block-diagonal least-squares method to an R value of 0.76 on the basis of 1242 reflections. The molecules are largely distorted from a planar structure due to the repulsion between the hydrogen atoms attached to the carbon atoms indicated by asterisk. The steric repulsion is mainly released by the enlargement of the C-C-C angle and twisting of the two C-C bonds opposite to each other. In the present molecules, they are 124° and 37.3°, respectively.

09.2-24 X-RAY STUDY OF THE CONFORMATION OF 2-ALKYL-THIOLANE AND 2-ALKYL-THIANE-1-TOSYLIMIDES

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The diastereomers of 2-alkyl-thiolane-1-tosylimides (n=2, R=Me, Et, i-Pr and t-Bu) and the corresponding thiane derivatives (n=3) have been prepared by stereoselective syntheses and their structures have been assigned by $^{13}\mathrm{C}$ NMR spectroscopy.



In the case of 2-alkyl-thiane-1-tosylimides even the orientation of both substituents has been established, showing that 2-alkyl-substituents assume invariably the equatorial position, while the 1-tosylimino group is equatorial in the trans diastereomers, but axial in the ais compounds. These observations have been substantiated by the X-ray analyses of several compounds e.g. the 2-methyl diastereomers (II and III) reported here. Although the parent compound I exhibits conformational disorder around the S(VI)-N bond, the conformers bear the NTs group only in axial position: I: $C_5H_{10}S=N-Ts$,

II: cis-2-Me-(C5H9S=N-Ts), III: trans-2-Me-(C5H9S=N-Ts)

For the thiolane derivatives, however, the actual orientation of the 1-N-Ts and 2-alkyl substituents could not be inferred from the NMR spectra owing to the flexibility of the five-membered rings. These informations have been obtained from X-ray studies of the following thiolane derivatives: $IV: C_4H_8S=N-Ts$, $V: trans-2-Me(C_4H_7S=N-Ts)$,