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## 3-Chloro-4-hydroxyfuran-2(5H)-one

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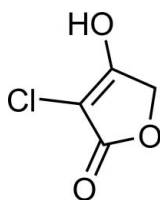
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 Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 298$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.026;  $wR$  factor = 0.067; data-to-parameter ratio = 10.2.

 In the title compound,  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_3\text{ClO}_3$ , molecules are linked via  $\text{O}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  hydrogen bonds into an infinite chain with graph-set motif  $C(6)$  along the  $c$  axis.

## Related literature

 4-Hydroxy-5H-furan-2-one (tetronic acid) forms a subclass of  $\beta$ -hydroxybutenolides with a generic structure, see: Haynes & Plimmer (1960). A great number of these compounds and their metabolites are found in many natural products and exhibit a wide array of biological properties, see: Sodeoka *et al.* (2001). For related structures, see: Ma *et al.* (2004). For hydrogen-bond motifs, see: Bernstein *et al.* (1995).


## Experimental

## Crystal data

 $\text{C}_4\text{H}_3\text{ClO}_3$ 
 $M_r = 134.51$ 

 Orthorhombic,  $Pnma$ 
 $a = 12.0437$  (6) Å  
 $b = 6.5453$  (4) Å  
 $c = 6.3886$  (4) Å  
 $V = 503.61$  (5) Å<sup>3</sup>
 $Z = 4$ 

 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation

 $\mu = 0.65$  mm<sup>-1</sup>
 $T = 298$  K

 $0.50 \times 0.50 \times 0.30$  mm

## Data collection

 Oxford Gemini S Ultra diffractometer  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (*CrysAlis RED*; Oxford Diffraction, 2008)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.736$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.828$ 

 1932 measured reflections  
 531 independent reflections  
 500 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.012$ 

## Refinement

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.026$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.067$   
 $S = 1.17$   
 531 reflections  
 52 parameters

H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement

 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.25$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.20$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
$\text{O2}-\text{H2}\cdots\text{O1}^1$	0.80 (3)	1.85 (3)	2.647 (2)	171 (3)

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

 Data collection: *CrysAlis CCD* (Oxford Diffraction, 2008); cell refinement: *CrysAlis RED* (Oxford Diffraction, 2008); data reduction: *CrysAlis RED*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *SHELXL97*; software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97* and *publCIF* (Westrip, 2009).

Supplementary data and figures for this paper are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: BX2226).

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## supporting information

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#### S1. Comment

4-hydroxy-5H-furan-2-one (Tetronic acid) form a subclass of  $\beta$ -hydroxybutenolides with the generic structure (Haynes & Plimmer, 1960). The best known members of this family are vitamin C (ascorbic acid) and penicillic acid. A great number of these compounds and their metabolites are found in many natural products, which exhibit a wide array of biological properties (Sodeoka *et al.*, 2001). In the present study, the title compound (I) has been determined as product of double-molecular ring closure of monochloroacetic acid which is halo-substituted tetronic acid.

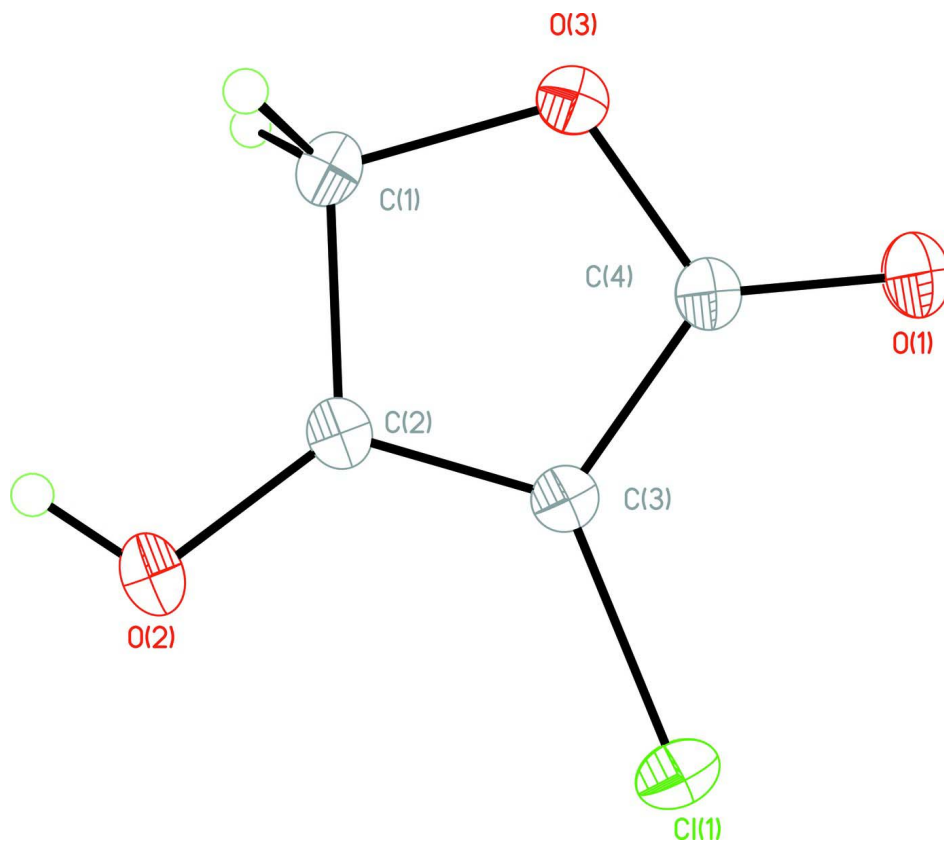
The molecular structure is depicted in Fig. 1. Bond lengths and angles are in good agreement with previous reported for similar compounds (Ma *et al.*, 2004). The crystal structure is stabilized by O—H $\cdots$ O hydrogen bonding and the molecules are linked in an infinite chain along the *c* axis, with graph-set motifs C(6) through O—H $\cdots$ O hydrogen bonds (Bernstein *et al.*, 1995) (Fig. 2, Table 1).

#### S2. Experimental

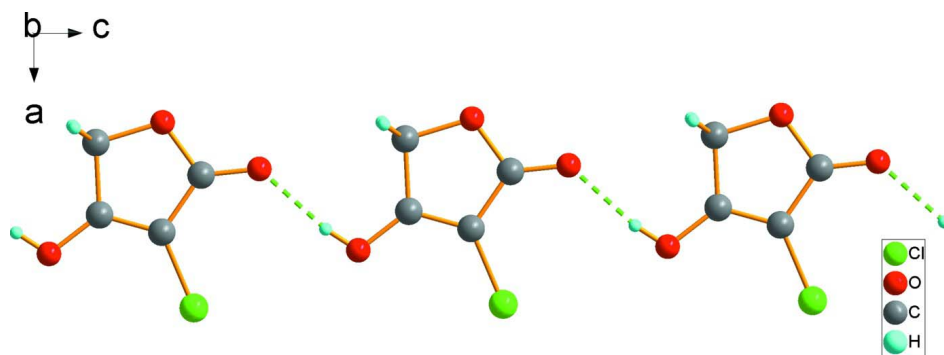
All reagents and solvents were used as obtained commercially without further purification. To a stirred solution of monochloroacetic acid (2 mmol, 137  $\mu$ L) in 5 mL dry THF is added sodium (1 mmol, 23 mg) under N<sub>2</sub>. After the solution has been stirred at room temperature for 24 h, the resulting pale yellow solution was kept in darkness for four days, yellow well formed block-shaped crystals were obtained.

#### S3. Refinement

The aromatic H atoms were generated geometrically (C—H 0.93 Å) and were allowed to ride on their parent atoms in the riding model approximations, with their temperature factors set to 1.2 times those of the parent atoms. The position and  $U_{eq}$  of the hydroxyl H atom were refined with O—H distance restrained to 0.85 Å.

**Figure 1**

A view of the molecular structure of (I), with the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability label and H atoms are shown as small spheres of arbitrary radii.

**Figure 2**

Partial packing view showing the O—H...O interactions (dashed lines) and the formation of a chain parallel to the *c* axis.

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Orthorhombic, *Pnma*

Hall symbol:  $-P\ 2ac\ 2n$

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$b = 6.5453\ (4)\ \text{\AA}$

$c = 6.3886\ (4)\ \text{\AA}$

$V = 503.61\ (5)\ \text{\AA}^3$

$Z = 4$

$F(000) = 272$

$D_x = 1.774 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$   
 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$   
 Cell parameters from 1627 reflections  
 $\theta = 3.1\text{--}28.9^\circ$

$\mu = 0.65 \text{ mm}^{-1}$   
 $T = 298 \text{ K}$   
 Block, yellow  
 $0.50 \times 0.50 \times 0.30 \text{ mm}$

*Data collection*

Oxford Gemini S Ultra  
 diffractometer  
 Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube  
 Graphite monochromator  
 Detector resolution: 16.1903 pixels  $\text{mm}^{-1}$   
 $\omega$  scans  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan  
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 $T_{\min} = 0.736$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.828$

1932 measured reflections  
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 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.012$   
 $\theta_{\max} = 26.0^\circ$ ,  $\theta_{\min} = 3.4^\circ$   
 $h = -14 \rightarrow 14$   
 $k = -7 \rightarrow 8$   
 $l = -7 \rightarrow 7$

*Refinement*

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 Least-squares matrix: full  
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.026$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.067$   
 $S = 1.17$   
 531 reflections  
 52 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 atoms treated by a mixture of independent  
 and constrained refinement  
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0374P)^2 + 0.1215P]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.25 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.20 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

*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 ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )*

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$	Occ. (<1)
Cl1	0.34253 (4)	0.7500	0.60829 (9)	0.0400 (2)	
O1	0.10530 (15)	0.7500	0.8246 (3)	0.0531 (5)	
O2	0.24683 (15)	0.7500	0.1417 (2)	0.0409 (4)	
O3	0.02339 (12)	0.7500	0.5138 (2)	0.0410 (4)	
C1	0.05689 (17)	0.7500	0.2974 (3)	0.0348 (5)	
H1A	0.0295	0.8706	0.2259	0.042*	0.50
H1B	0.0295	0.6294	0.2259	0.042*	0.50
C2	0.18096 (17)	0.7500	0.3064 (3)	0.0288 (4)	
C3	0.21185 (17)	0.7500	0.5069 (3)	0.0289 (4)	
C4	0.11471 (18)	0.7500	0.6361 (3)	0.0335 (5)	
H2	0.210 (3)	0.7500	0.037 (5)	0.059 (9)*	

*Atomic displacement parameters (Å<sup>2</sup>)*

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
C11	0.0274 (3)	0.0523 (4)	0.0403 (3)	0.000	-0.0084 (2)	0.000
O1	0.0421 (9)	0.0940 (14)	0.0231 (8)	0.000	0.0033 (6)	0.000
O2	0.0376 (8)	0.0614 (11)	0.0238 (8)	0.000	0.0062 (7)	0.000
O3	0.0260 (8)	0.0679 (10)	0.0292 (9)	0.000	0.0011 (6)	0.000
C1	0.0308 (10)	0.0487 (12)	0.0249 (11)	0.000	-0.0042 (8)	0.000
C2	0.0284 (10)	0.0337 (10)	0.0241 (10)	0.000	0.0019 (8)	0.000
C3	0.0251 (10)	0.0355 (10)	0.0261 (11)	0.000	-0.0006 (7)	0.000
C4	0.0299 (10)	0.0460 (12)	0.0247 (11)	0.000	0.0006 (8)	0.000

*Geometric parameters (Å, °)*

C11—C3	1.702 (2)	C1—C2	1.495 (3)
O1—C4	1.210 (3)	C1—H1A	0.9700
O2—C2	1.318 (2)	C1—H1B	0.9700
O2—H2	0.80 (3)	C2—C3	1.334 (3)
O3—C4	1.349 (3)	C3—C4	1.431 (3)
O3—C1	1.440 (3)		
C2—O2—H2	109 (2)	O2—C2—C1	124.82 (18)
C4—O3—C1	109.11 (16)	C3—C2—C1	108.38 (17)
O3—C1—C2	104.08 (16)	C2—C3—C4	109.00 (19)
O3—C1—H1A	110.9	C2—C3—C11	128.55 (17)
C2—C1—H1A	110.9	C4—C3—C11	122.45 (15)
O3—C1—H1B	110.9	O1—C4—O3	120.0 (2)
C2—C1—H1B	110.9	O1—C4—C3	130.6 (2)
H1A—C1—H1B	109.0	O3—C4—C3	109.43 (17)
O2—C2—C3	126.8 (2)		

*Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)*

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
O2—H2 $\cdots$ O1 <sup>i</sup>	0.80 (3)	1.85 (3)	2.647 (2)	171 (3)

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