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# 10,10'-Methylenebis[2,3-dihydro-1H-benzo[e]pyrrolo[1,2-a][1,4]diazepine-5,11(10H,11aH)-dione] dihydrate

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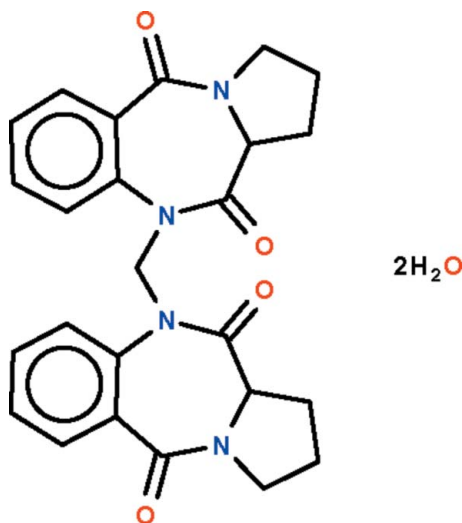
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 193$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.004$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.043;  $wR$  factor = 0.126; data-to-parameter ratio = 9.9.

The organic molecule and uncoordinated water molecule in the crystal of the title compound,  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_4\text{O}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , both lie on special positions of twofold symmetry. A twofold rotation axis passes through the methylene C atom connecting the two dihydrobenzopyrrolo-diazepindionyl parts. The seven-membered  $\text{C}_5\text{N}_2$  ring adopts a boat conformation.

## Related literature

Pyrrolo[2,1-*c*][1,4]benzodiazepines are a group of potent chemicals produced by *Streptomyces* species. For their anti-cancer activity, see: Bose *et al.* (1992); Cargill *et al.* (1974); Gregson *et al.* (2004).



## Experimental

### Crystal data

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 $M_r = 480.51$   
Trigonal,  $P3_121$   
 $a = 11.9901$  (2) Å  
 $c = 13.6054$  (2) Å  
 $V = 1693.90$  (4) Å<sup>3</sup>

$Z = 3$   
Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 0.10$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 193$  K  
 $0.20 \times 0.20 \times 0.10$  mm

### Data collection

Bruker APEXII diffractometer  
Absorption correction: none  
23041 measured reflections

1572 independent reflections  
1472 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.043$

### Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.043$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.126$   
 $S = 1.18$   
1572 reflections

159 parameters  
H-atom parameters constrained  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.46$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.48$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

Data collection: *APEX2* (Bruker, 2005); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2005); 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: *publCIF* (Westrip, 2009).

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**S1. Experimental**

2,3-Dihydro-1*H*-benzo[*e*]pyrrolo[1,2-*a*][1,4]diazepine-5,11(10*H*,11*aH*)-dione (1.1 g, 6 mmol), dibromomethane (1.8 ml, 2.54 mmol), potassium carbonate (0.71 g, 6 mmol) and a catalytic quantity of tetra-*n*-butylammonium bromide were stirred in *N,N*-dimethylformamide (20 ml) for 24 h. The insoluble salts were filtered off and the solvent was removed under vacuum. The residue was separated by chromatography on silica gel with an *n*-hexane:ethyl acetate (8:2) solvent system. The compound was obtained as colorless crystals in 70% yield upon evaporation of the solvent.

**S2. Refinement**

Carbon-bound H-atoms were placed in calculated positions (C—H 0.95 to 0.99 Å) and were included in the refinement in the riding model approximation, with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H})$  set to  $1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ . The location of the water-bound H-atoms were ambiguous owing to disorder. The H1w1 atom was placed in a chemically sensible position on the basis of its hydrogen bonding to the O2 atom but was not refined. The water molecules are arranged along the *c*-axis with O1w $\cdots$ O1w separations of 2.741 (5) and 2.757 (5) Å, indicative of hydrogen bonding interactions. The assigned position for the second hydrogen atom (O-H = 0.84 Å), with full occupancy represents an intermediate position.

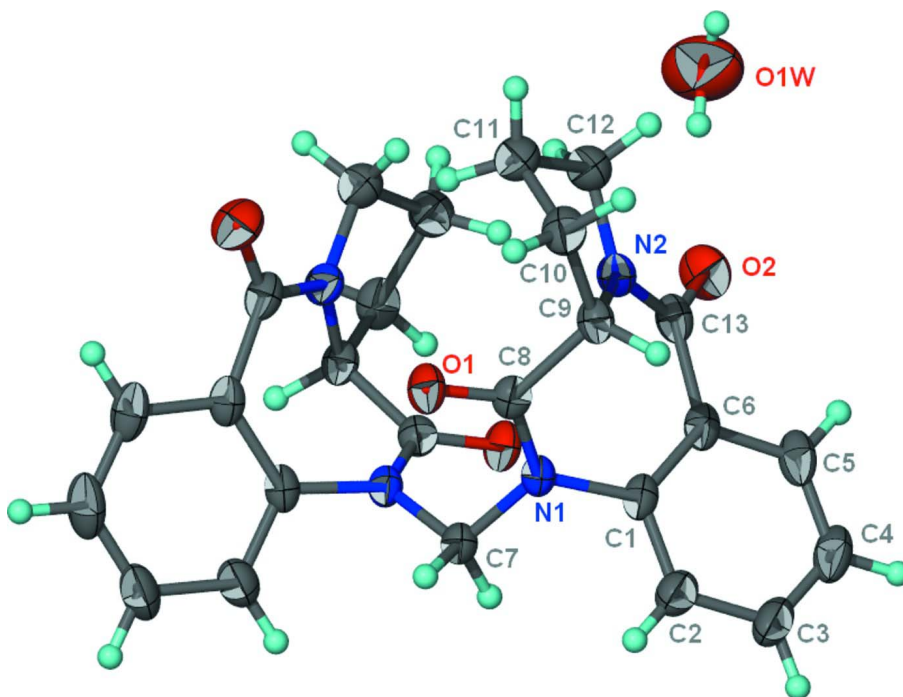


Figure 1

Thermal ellipsoid plot (Barbour, 2001) of  $C_{25}H_{24}N_4O_4 \cdot H_2O$  at the 70% probability level; hydrogen atoms are drawn as spheres of arbitrary radius. Unlabelled atoms are related by a twofold axis.

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Cell parameters from 9284 reflections

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$k = 0 \rightarrow 15$

$l = 0 \rightarrow 18$

Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$

Least-squares matrix: full

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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

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0716P)^2 + 0.3837P]$

where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.001$

$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.46 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.48 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

Absolute structure: nd

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )

	x	y	z	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$	Occ. (<1)
O1	0.57170 (18)	0.14709 (17)	0.22350 (11)	0.0274 (4)	
O2	0.7198 (2)	0.0623 (2)	0.57106 (13)	0.0362 (5)	
O1W	0.9339 (4)	0.0162 (4)	0.5795 (2)	0.0819 (10)	
H1W1	0.8758	0.0349	0.5692	0.123*	
H1W2	1.0069	0.0798	0.5645	0.123*	
N1	0.47771 (19)	0.1028 (2)	0.37359 (13)	0.0219 (4)	
N2	0.7341 (2)	0.16144 (19)	0.42630 (14)	0.0235 (4)	
C1	0.4814 (2)	0.1364 (2)	0.47532 (15)	0.0233 (5)	
C2	0.3891 (3)	0.1666 (3)	0.50682 (18)	0.0303 (5)	
H2	0.3310	0.1689	0.4606	0.036*	
C3	0.3812 (3)	0.1934 (3)	0.60537 (19)	0.0361 (6)	
H3	0.3195	0.2160	0.6261	0.043*	
C4	0.4645 (3)	0.1867 (3)	0.67300 (18)	0.0382 (7)	
H4	0.4581	0.2019	0.7407	0.046*	
C5	0.5571 (3)	0.1577 (2)	0.64133 (16)	0.0303 (6)	
H5	0.6133	0.1529	0.6882	0.036*	
C6	0.5699 (2)	0.1355 (2)	0.54191 (16)	0.0243 (5)	
C7	0.3561 (3)	0.0000	0.3333	0.0239 (6)	
H7A	0.2900	-0.0353	0.3858	0.029*	0.50
H7B	0.3253	0.0353	0.2809	0.029*	0.50
C8	0.5813 (2)	0.1646 (2)	0.31219 (16)	0.0224 (5)	
C9	0.7077 (2)	0.2487 (2)	0.36580 (15)	0.0225 (5)	
H9	0.7020	0.3141	0.4078	0.027*	
C10	0.8238 (2)	0.3128 (3)	0.29721 (17)	0.0296 (5)	
H10A	0.8938	0.3930	0.3265	0.036*	
H10B	0.7997	0.3332	0.2329	0.036*	
C11	0.8645 (3)	0.2109 (3)	0.28641 (18)	0.0320 (6)	
H11A	0.9549	0.2499	0.2641	0.038*	
H11B	0.8080	0.1425	0.2397	0.038*	
C12	0.8482 (3)	0.1579 (3)	0.39173 (18)	0.0317 (6)	
H12A	0.8334	0.0690	0.3918	0.038*	
H12B	0.9245	0.2133	0.4327	0.038*	
C13	0.6801 (2)	0.1157 (2)	0.51428 (16)	0.0251 (5)	

Atomic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
O1	0.0330 (9)	0.0290 (9)	0.0170 (7)	0.0132 (8)	-0.0008 (6)	0.0000 (6)
O2	0.0427 (11)	0.0404 (11)	0.0284 (9)	0.0229 (9)	-0.0039 (8)	0.0068 (8)
O1W	0.082 (2)	0.126 (3)	0.0681 (18)	0.075 (2)	-0.0051 (16)	0.0110 (19)
N1	0.0235 (9)	0.0246 (9)	0.0173 (8)	0.0117 (8)	-0.0014 (7)	-0.0033 (7)
N2	0.0260 (10)	0.0253 (10)	0.0196 (8)	0.0131 (8)	-0.0018 (7)	0.0005 (7)
C1	0.0273 (11)	0.0201 (10)	0.0184 (9)	0.0088 (9)	0.0018 (9)	-0.0020 (8)
C2	0.0304 (13)	0.0304 (12)	0.0296 (12)	0.0148 (11)	0.0025 (9)	-0.0054 (10)
C3	0.0323 (13)	0.0361 (14)	0.0334 (13)	0.0122 (12)	0.0061 (11)	-0.0124 (11)
C4	0.0365 (15)	0.0363 (14)	0.0242 (11)	0.0050 (12)	0.0091 (11)	-0.0074 (10)
C5	0.0330 (13)	0.0259 (12)	0.0178 (10)	0.0042 (10)	0.0009 (9)	0.0005 (9)
C6	0.0267 (11)	0.0209 (10)	0.0181 (10)	0.0064 (9)	0.0014 (8)	-0.0009 (8)
C7	0.0248 (11)	0.0276 (16)	0.0203 (13)	0.0138 (8)	-0.0021 (6)	-0.0041 (12)
C8	0.0271 (11)	0.0212 (10)	0.0206 (10)	0.0134 (9)	-0.0005 (8)	0.0010 (8)
C9	0.0271 (11)	0.0212 (10)	0.0173 (9)	0.0106 (9)	-0.0013 (8)	0.0014 (8)
C10	0.0287 (12)	0.0278 (12)	0.0247 (10)	0.0084 (10)	0.0034 (9)	0.0017 (9)
C11	0.0294 (12)	0.0387 (14)	0.0277 (12)	0.0168 (11)	0.0022 (10)	-0.0014 (11)
C12	0.0299 (13)	0.0382 (14)	0.0287 (12)	0.0183 (11)	-0.0029 (10)	-0.0031 (10)
C13	0.0293 (12)	0.0227 (11)	0.0193 (9)	0.0099 (9)	-0.0037 (9)	0.0002 (8)

Geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ )

O1—C8	1.220 (3)	C5—C6	1.402 (3)
O2—C13	1.240 (3)	C5—H5	0.9500
O1W—H1W1	0.8429	C6—C13	1.502 (4)
O1W—H1W2	0.8500	C7—N1 <sup>i</sup>	1.466 (3)
N1—C8	1.367 (3)	C7—H7A	0.9900
N1—C1	1.436 (3)	C7—H7B	0.9900
N1—C7	1.466 (3)	C8—C9	1.522 (3)
N2—C13	1.341 (3)	C9—C10	1.526 (3)
N2—C12	1.466 (3)	C9—H9	1.0000
N2—C9	1.485 (3)	C10—C11	1.533 (4)
C1—C2	1.393 (3)	C10—H10A	0.9900
C1—C6	1.399 (3)	C10—H10B	0.9900
C2—C3	1.393 (3)	C11—C12	1.540 (3)
C2—H2	0.9500	C11—H11A	0.9900
C3—C4	1.389 (4)	C11—H11B	0.9900
C3—H3	0.9500	C12—H12A	0.9900
C4—C5	1.387 (4)	C12—H12B	0.9900
C4—H4	0.9500		
H1W1—O1W—H1W2	109.8	O1—C8—N1	121.9 (2)
C8—N1—C1	122.97 (19)	O1—C8—C9	124.4 (2)
C8—N1—C7	118.68 (17)	N1—C8—C9	113.59 (18)
C1—N1—C7	118.32 (17)	N2—C9—C8	106.93 (18)
C13—N2—C12	122.8 (2)	N2—C9—C10	103.41 (19)

C13—N2—C9	123.6 (2)	C8—C9—C10	113.32 (18)
C12—N2—C9	111.90 (18)	N2—C9—H9	111.0
C2—C1—C6	120.4 (2)	C8—C9—H9	111.0
C2—C1—N1	116.9 (2)	C10—C9—H9	111.0
C6—C1—N1	122.6 (2)	C9—C10—C11	103.3 (2)
C1—C2—C3	120.7 (2)	C9—C10—H10A	111.1
C1—C2—H2	119.6	C11—C10—H10A	111.1
C3—C2—H2	119.6	C9—C10—H10B	111.1
C4—C3—C2	119.4 (3)	C11—C10—H10B	111.1
C4—C3—H3	120.3	H10A—C10—H10B	109.1
C2—C3—H3	120.3	C10—C11—C12	102.4 (2)
C5—C4—C3	119.8 (2)	C10—C11—H11A	111.3
C5—C4—H4	120.1	C12—C11—H11A	111.3
C3—C4—H4	120.1	C10—C11—H11B	111.3
C4—C5—C6	121.6 (2)	C12—C11—H11B	111.3
C4—C5—H5	119.2	H11A—C11—H11B	109.2
C6—C5—H5	119.2	N2—C12—C11	102.4 (2)
C1—C6—C5	117.9 (2)	N2—C12—H12A	111.3
C1—C6—C13	124.7 (2)	C11—C12—H12A	111.3
C5—C6—C13	117.4 (2)	N2—C12—H12B	111.3
N1 <sup>i</sup> —C7—N1	109.8 (3)	C11—C12—H12B	111.3
N1 <sup>i</sup> —C7—H7A	109.7	H12A—C12—H12B	109.2
N1—C7—H7A	109.7	O2—C13—N2	122.4 (2)
N1 <sup>i</sup> —C7—H7B	109.7	O2—C13—C6	121.4 (2)
N1—C7—H7B	109.7	N2—C13—C6	116.2 (2)
H7A—C7—H7B	108.2		
C8—N1—C1—C2	124.6 (2)	C12—N2—C9—C8	113.4 (2)
C7—N1—C1—C2	-53.5 (3)	C13—N2—C9—C10	158.9 (2)
C8—N1—C1—C6	-57.4 (3)	C12—N2—C9—C10	-6.5 (2)
C7—N1—C1—C6	124.5 (2)	O1—C8—C9—N2	-112.1 (2)
C6—C1—C2—C3	-1.6 (4)	N1—C8—C9—N2	64.2 (2)
N1—C1—C2—C3	176.4 (2)	O1—C8—C9—C10	1.1 (3)
C1—C2—C3—C4	-1.6 (4)	N1—C8—C9—C10	177.5 (2)
C2—C3—C4—C5	2.1 (4)	N2—C9—C10—C11	29.1 (2)
C3—C4—C5—C6	0.4 (4)	C8—C9—C10—C11	-86.3 (2)
C2—C1—C6—C5	4.0 (3)	C9—C10—C11—C12	-40.6 (2)
N1—C1—C6—C5	-173.9 (2)	C13—N2—C12—C11	175.9 (2)
C2—C1—C6—C13	-174.4 (2)	C9—N2—C12—C11	-18.6 (3)
N1—C1—C6—C13	7.7 (4)	C10—C11—C12—N2	35.9 (2)
C4—C5—C6—C1	-3.4 (4)	C12—N2—C13—O2	-3.0 (4)
C4—C5—C6—C13	175.1 (2)	C9—N2—C13—O2	-166.9 (2)
C8—N1—C7—N1 <sup>i</sup>	59.77 (17)	C12—N2—C13—C6	175.5 (2)
C1—N1—C7—N1 <sup>i</sup>	-122.0 (2)	C9—N2—C13—C6	11.7 (3)
C1—N1—C8—O1	-169.7 (2)	C1—C6—C13—O2	-148.6 (2)
C7—N1—C8—O1	8.4 (3)	C5—C6—C13—O2	33.0 (3)
C1—N1—C8—C9	13.9 (3)	C1—C6—C13—N2	32.9 (3)

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C7—N1—C8—C9	-168.02 (19)	C5—C6—C13—N2	-145.5 (2)
C13—N2—C9—C8	-81.2 (3)		

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

*Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)*

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<i>D—H...A</i>	<i>D—H</i>	<i>H...A</i>	<i>D...A</i>	<i>D—H...A</i>
O1w—H1w1...O2	0.84	2.06	2.886 (4)	168

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