## Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.009$  $\Delta \rho_{\text{max}} = 1.155 \text{ e Å}^{-3}$  $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.025$   $wR(F^2) = 0.058$  $\Delta \rho_{\min} = -0.875 \text{ e Å}^{-3}$ S = 1.079Extinction correction: SHELXL97 1818 reflections Extinction coefficient: 177 parameters H atoms: see below 0.0041 (6)  $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.017P)^2]$ Scattering factors from + 2.630PInternational Tables for where  $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ Crystallography (Vol. C)

Table 1. Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °)

$D$ — $H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	<i>D</i> —H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D$ — $H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$			
$O1-H1\cdots N1^{i}$	0.895 (10)	1.843 (12)	2.730(3)	171 (4)			
$O2$ — $H2 \cdot \cdot \cdot N2^{ii}$	0.892 (10)	1.897 (15)	2.765 (4)	164 (4)			
O3H3···O2	0.890(10)	2.12(3)	2.865(3)	140 (4)			
N1—H12···I <sup>ii</sup>	0.894(10)	3.01(2)	3.782(3)	145 (3)			
N3—H31···I <sup>iii</sup>	0.892 (10)	2.914 (13)	3.788(3)	167 (3)			
N3—H32···Iiv	0.896 (10)	2.944 (15)	3.807(3)	162 (3)			
N3—H33· · · O <sup>v</sup>	0.896 (10)	2.019 (12)	2.908(3)	171 (4)			
N2—H22· · ·I	0.894 (10)	2.96(3)	3.729(3)	145 (4)			
Symmetry codes: (i) $1-x$ , $1-y$ , $-z$ ; (ii) $1-x$ , $1-y$ , $1-z$ ; (iii) $x$ , $y$ , $z-1$ ;							
(iv) $\frac{1}{2} + x$ , $\frac{3}{2} - y$ , $z - \frac{1}{2}$ ; (v) $\frac{3}{2} - x$ , $\frac{1}{2} + y$ , $\frac{1}{2} - z$ .							

400 exposures were taken in the 0-360°  $\varphi$  range with a crystal-to-detector distance of 60 mm and an exposure time of 1 min. Constant-circle profiles (17 pixels) without allowing overlap were used for integration, yielding a 92.8% completeness of data. A numerical absorption correction (Stoe & Cie, 1996) was applied using optically determined crystal faces (Stoe & Cie, 1997). The refined maximum and minimum difference electron densities of 1.155 and -0.875 e  $Å^3$  were located only 0.79 and 0.72 Å from the iodide counter-ion, respectively. The atomic coordinates of all H atoms were taken from difference Fourier syntheses. The atomic coordinates and individual Uiso values were refined for the two NH2, the NH<sub>3</sub> and the OH group with the X—H distances restrained to plausible values. The atomic coordinates of H atoms bonded to C atoms were refined with the C-H distance restrained to a plausible value and the  $U_{\rm iso}$  value set to  $1.2U_{\rm eq}(C)$ .

Data collection: IPDS Software (Stoe & Cie, 1997). Cell refinement: IPDS Software. Data reduction: IPDS Software. Program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997b). Program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997a). Molecular graphics: SHELXTL-Plus (Sheldrick, 1992). Software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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Intramolecular N—H···O, intermolecular O—H···O, C—H···O and  $Csp^3$ — H··· $\pi_{arene}$  interactions in (2S)-2-{[(2R)-2-hydroxy-2-phenylethanoyl]amino}-4-methylpentanoic acid

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### **Abstract**

The title compound,  $C_{14}H_{19}NO_4$ , forms a hydrogenbonded network in the solid state, consisting of one intramolecular  $N-H\cdots O$  [ $N\cdots O$  2.569 (3) Å] and two intermolecular  $O-H\cdots O=C$  [ $O\cdots O$  2.704 (2) and 2.801 (2) Å] hydrogen bonds, with weaker C—H···O [C···O 3.344 (3) Å] and  $Csp^3$ —H··· $\pi_{arenc}$  [shortest C···C 3.873 (4) Å] interactions completing the three-dimensional network.

between weak hydrogen bonds and van der Waals interactions has been commented on by Steiner & Desiraju (1998).

## Comment

The study of biologically active molecules is of primary importance in medicinal chemistry. Processes such as hormone synthesis, viral replication and cancer cell invasion are critically dependent on protease enzymes. which have become attractive target molecules in drug design. Many inhibitors are based on modified amino acids which incorporate the basic structural features determining normal enzyme-substrate interactions. The general principles underlying molecular recognition processes are reasonably well understood and hydrogen bonding in crystal structures can often be rationalized in preferred combinations of hydrogen-bond donors and acceptors (Etter et al., 1990). In molecules where several different potential hydrogen-bond donors and acceptors are present (with cooperativity among these interactions), the ability to deduce in advance the molecular packing arrangements in the crystal structure remains a largely unrealised vision (Wolff, 1996). The title compound, (I), is part of a study of hydrogen-bonding interactions in amino acid derivatives and is of relevance in the design of antimalarial drugs.

A view of molecule (I) (RS configuration) with our numbering scheme is given in Fig. 1 and selected dimensions are in Table 1. The bond lengths and angles are in agreement with expected values (Orpen et al., 1994). The phenyl ring is almost perpendicular to both the C2/N1/C3/O3/C4/O4 plane [86.60 (6)°] and the carboxylic acid O1/O2/C1/C2 group [76.45 (9)°]; C2/N1/C3/O3/C4/O4 is at an angle of 52.83 (7)° to the O1/O2/C1/C2 plane. Examination of the structure with PLATON (Spek, 1997a) indicated that there were no solvent-accessible voids in the crystal lattice.

Extensive hydrogen bonding is present in the crystal structure, consisting of an intramolecular N—H···O and two intermolecular O—H···O—C hydrogen bonds, as well as C—H···O and  $Csp^3$ —H··· $\pi_{arene}$  interactions, such that all potential hydrogen-bond donors and acceptors engage in hydrogen bonding. A view is given in Fig. 2, with details in Table 2. The intramolecular N1—H11···O4 hydrogen bond [graph set S(5)] is listed with the N1···O2 dimensions for comparison. The distinction

Fig. 1. A view of (I) with the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.

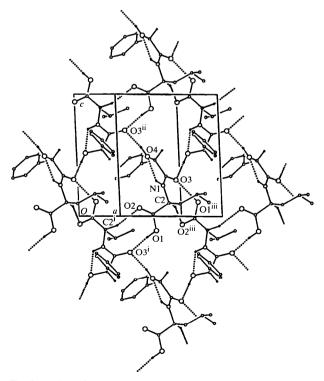


Fig. 2. A view of the unit cell and the hydrogen-bonding interactions. Symmetry codes are as given in Table 2.

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Conventional intermolecular carboxylic acid O-H. O hydrogen bonding between pairs of carboxylic acid groups with graph set  $R_2^2(8)$  is not observed (Ferguson et al., 1995). Hydrogen-bonded rings with graph set  $R_2^2(9)$  are formed from the combination of (a) carboxylic acid O1—H1···O3<sup>1</sup> interactions with the amide C=O group, where  $O1 \cdot \cdot \cdot O3^i$  is 2.704(2) Å [symmetry code: (i) 1 - x,  $y - \frac{1}{2}$ , -z] and (b) C2—H2···O2<sup>iii</sup> interactions with the carboxylic acid C=O moiety, where C···O<sup>iii</sup> is 3.344 (3) Å [symmetry code: (iii) 1 - x,  $\frac{1}{2} + y$ , -z]. This  $R_2^2(9)$  motif is also present in  $(2R/2S)-2-(1-\infty-1,3-dihydro-2H$ isoindol-2-yl)-3-phenylpropanoic acid, with O···O and  $C \cdots O$  distances of 2.625(2) and 3.281(3) Å, respectively (Brady et al., 1998). The O4—H41 alcohol group takes part in hydrogen bonding with the amide O3, and  $O4 \cdot \cdot \cdot O3^{ii} = 2.801(2) \text{ Å [symmetry code: (ii) } 1 - x,$  $y - \frac{1}{2}$ , 1 - z]; H11···O4—H41 is 163.8 (19)° and the H1<sup>iii</sup>···O3···H41° angle is 90.7 (15)° [symmetry code: (v) 1 - x,  $\frac{1}{2} + y$ , 1 - z].

Weak  $Csp^3$ — $H \cdot \cdot \cdot \pi_{arene}$  interactions, for instance  $C8 \cdot \cdot \cdot Cg1^{iv}$  [3.939 (3) Å; Cg1 is the ring centroid of the phenyl ring; symmetry code: (iv) 1 + x, y, z], complete the intermolecular interactions. C—H··· $\pi_{arene}$  interactions have been previously shown to have a profound effect on the molecular packing patterns of macrocycles (Ferguson et al., 1996). Further studies are in progress on related amino acid derivatives.

# **Experimental**

Synthesis of the title compound was carried out as follows: NaOH (25 ml, 1 M) was added to a solution of N-[(R/S)-2-acetoxy-2-phenylacetyl]-L-leucine methyl ester(3.2 g, 0.01 mol) in CH<sub>3</sub>OH (20 ml) and stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The solution was cooled to 273 K and acidified with 10% HCl; the CH<sub>3</sub>OH was removed in vacuo. Recrystallization of the resulting precipitate from acetone/nhexane yielded crystals suitable for X-ray analysis [yield 2.3 g, 87%; m.p. 389–391 K (uncorrected)]. <sup>1</sup>H NMR data (400 MHz,  $\delta$ , DMSO, p.p.m.): 0.75–0.85 [12H, m, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>], 1.46–1.66 (6H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>CH), 4.22–4.28 (2H, m, NCHCO<sub>2</sub>), 4.93 (2H, s, OH), 6.25 (2H, s, PhCH), 7.22-7.40 (10H, m, ArH), 7.98–8.00 (2H, d, J = 8.88 Hz, NH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR data (100 MHz,  $\delta$ , DMSO, p.p.m.): 173.79, 171.94 (-CO<sub>2</sub>H and -C=O), 141.25, 127.89, 127.38, 126.62 (C<sub>aromatic</sub>), 73.28 (-CHOH), 49.75 (-NHCH), 24.32 (-CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.83, 21.36 [CH(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (note: the signals at 173.79 and 171.94 may be interchangeable); MS, M-H<sub>2</sub>O found: 247.1322, C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>17</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> requires 247.1207; m/z (%): 247(0.5) (M-H<sub>2</sub>O), 107(100), 86(22), 77(19); infrared spectroscopy,  $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3459 (OH), 3389 (NH), 3296, 1725 (carboxylic acid C=O), 1639 (amide C=O), 1556, 1267, 1160.

# Crystal data

C14H19NO4 Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  $\lambda = 0.7107 \text{ Å}$  $M_r = 265.30$ 

Monoclinic $P2_1$ a = 8.5887 (10) Å b = 8.6404 (6) Å c = 9.6169 (6) Å $\beta = 98.398 (7)^\circ$ $V = 706.02 (11) Å^3$ Z = 2 $D_x = 1.248 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ $D_m \text{ not measured}$	Cell parameters from 25 reflections $\theta = 10.40-19.65^{\circ}$ $\mu = 0.091 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 294 (1)  K Plate $0.38 \times 0.32 \times 0.14 \text{ mm}$ Colourless
Data collection Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer $\omega/2\theta$ scans Absorption correction: none 3225 measured reflections 3133 independent reflections 2540 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $R_{\text{int}} = 0.008$	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.4^{\circ}$ $h = -11 \rightarrow 11$ $k = -11 \rightarrow 11$ $l = 0 \rightarrow 12$ 3 standard reflections frequency: 120 min intensity variation: 1.0%
Refinement on $F^2$ $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.040$ $wR(F^2) = 0.119$ S = 1.013 3133 reflections 185 parameters H atoms: see below $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0786P)^2]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$ $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.164 \text{ e Å}^{-3}$ $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.151 \text{ e Å}^{-3}$	Extinction correction:  SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997a)  Extinction coefficient: 0.037 (8)  Scattering factors from International Tables for Crystallography (Vol. C)  Absolute structure: Flack (1983)  Flack parameter = -0.9 (12)

# Table 1. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °)

1.314(2)	O4—C4	1.423(2)
1.200(3)	N1—C2	1.451(2)
1.239 (2)	NI—C3	1.322 (2)
126.97 (18)	O3—C3—N1	124.95 (17)
124.81 (19)	O3—C3—C4	119.48 (16)
112.69 (17)	N1C3C4	115.49 (17)
122.44 (18)	O4—C4—C3	108.22 (15)
107.21 (15)	O4—C4—C11	112.68 (16)
111.94 (16)		
-18.1(3)	O3-C3-C4-O4	-166.85 (16)
-11.0(3)	N1—C3—C4—O4	16.1 (2)
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Table 2. Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °)

$D$ — $H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	D—H	$\mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot \mathbf{A}$	$D \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D$ — $H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$			
N1—H11· · ·O4	0.84(3)	2.09(2)	2.569(3)	116 (2)			
N1—H11· · · O2	0.84(3)	2.49(2)	2.650(3)	92 (2)			
O1—H1···O3'	0.88(4)	1.83 (4)	2.704(2)	170(3)			
O4—H41···O3 <sup>n</sup>	0.87(3)	1.95(3)	2.801(2)	168 (3)			
C2—H2···O2 <sup>iii</sup>	0.98	2.41	3.344(3)	159			
C8—H8A···Cg1"	0.96	3.01	3.939(3)	164			
Symmetry codes: (i)	1-x,y-	$-\frac{1}{2}, -z;$ (ii	1 - x, y	$-\frac{1}{2}, 1 - z;$			
(iii) $1 = x, \frac{1}{2} + y, -z$ ; (iv) $1 + x, y, z$ .							

Molecule (I), which is chiral, crystallized as RS and SS diastereomers in the solid state. A crystal with the RS configuration at the two chiral centres was chosen for examination; space group  $P2_1$  was concluded from the systematic absences. A full 'Friedel' data set was collected for this structure, although the anomalous dispersion terms for O, N and C are small. The absolute structure was not determined [Flack parameter -0.9 (12)] by our X-ray analysis, but can be inferred from the known absolute configuration of the L-leucine methyl ester derivative used in the synthesis. The H atoms attached to O and N were located from difference maps at an intermediate stage of refinement and were refined with isotropic displacement parameters. The N—H and two O—H distances refined to 0.84 (3), 0.88 (4) and 0.87 (3) Å, respectively. The H atoms attached to C were treated as riding atoms, with the C—H bond lengths in the range 0.93 to 0.98 Å.

Data collection: *CAD-4-PC Software* (Enraf–Nonius, 1992). Cell refinement: *SET*4 and *CELDIM* in *CAD-4-PC Software*. Data reduction: *DATRD*2 in *NRCVAX*96 (Gabe *et al.*, 1989). Program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS*97 (Sheldrick, 1997b). Program(s) used to refine structure: *NRCVAX*96 and *SHELXL*97 (Sheldrick, 1997a). Molecular graphics: *NRC-VAX*96, *ORTEPII* (Johnson, 1976), *PLATON* (Spek, 1997a) and *PLUTON* (Spek, 1997b). Software used to prepare material for publication: *NRCVAX*96, *SHELXL*97 and *PRPCIF*97 (Ferguson, 1997).

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# 1-Phenyltetrazole

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#### **Abstract**

The tetrazole ring of the title compound, 1-phenyl-1H-1,2,3,4-tetrazole,  $C_7H_6N_4$ , should be an aromatic system. Slight conjugation effects are present between the phenyl and tetrazole rings. The two rings are not coplanar and have a dihedral angle of  $11.8 (1)^\circ$  between them.

### Comment

As part of a study of the aromaticity of tetrazole rings, we are interested in the interaction between tetrazole and phenyl rings. The crystal data of the title compound, (I), was reported by Bryden (1969), but the crystal structure was not determined. We therefore determined the crystal structure of (I) using X-ray crystallographic methods.

Slight conjugation effects between the phenyl and tetrazole rings are present in (I). The N1—C2 bond length is 1.431(2) Å, which is almost the same as the normal N—C<sub>phenyl</sub> single-bond length. Moreover, the tetrazole and phenyl rings are not coplanar [dihedral angle  $11.8(1)^{\circ}$ ]. These facts indicate that there are slight resonance effects between the two rings.

Ab initio calculations also support the distorted conformation. At the MP2/6-31G\* level, the most stable structure has a dihedral angle of 38.6° and is 4.12 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup> more stable than the coplanar structure. Such a distorted conformation arises due to a steric