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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study

T = 298 K

Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.008 \text{ \AA}$

R factor = 0.056

wR factor = 0.127

Data-to-parameter ratio = 5.9

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8-Hydroxy-(S)-3-methyl-1-oxoisochromane-5-carboxylic acid (5-carboxymellein)

The molecules of the title compound, $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{10}\text{O}_5$, are linked by a hydrogen bond involving the acid H and the carbonyl O atom of the dihydroisocoumarin unit into a linear chain running along the *b* axis of the monoclinic unit cell.

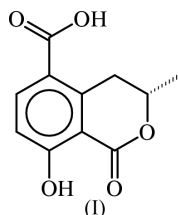
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Comment

8-Hydroxy-3-methyl-1-oxoisochromane-5-carboxylic acid (5-carboxymellein), (I) (Fig. 1), a dihydroisocoumarin isolated from *Tubercularia sp.*, an endophytic fungus of *Taxus mairei* that is found in Fujian Province, China, yields compounds that are cytotoxic to KB and HL60 cancer cell lines (Wang *et al.*, 2000). The structure has been assigned on the basis of two-dimensional NMR studies (Chinworrungsee *et al.*, 2001); the crystal structure shows that adjacent molecules are linked by a short hydrogen bond involving the carboxylic acid group and the double-bond O atom of the dihydroisocoumarin ring of an adjacent molecule [$\text{O}\cdots\text{O} = 2.702(5) \text{ \AA}$] to furnish a linear chain running along the *b* axis of the unit cell. The structure is similar to that of 5-methylmellein, which shows only weak bioactivity (Krohn *et al.*, 1997).



Experimental

The title compound was isolated from an endophytic fungus, *Tubercularia sp.*, which was found in the inner bark of *Taxus mairei* of Fujian Province, China. Crystals were grown from a solution in ethyl acetate.

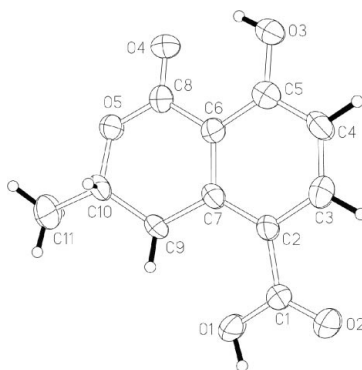


Figure 1

ORTEP (Johnson, 1976) plot of (I), with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level. H atoms are drawn as spheres of arbitrary radii.

Crystal data

$C_{11}H_{10}O_5$
 $M_r = 222.19$
 Monoclinic, $P2_1$
 $a = 7.3351$ (4) Å
 $b = 9.0510$ (5) Å
 $c = 7.4211$ (5) Å
 $\beta = 101.723$ (3)°
 $V = 482.41$ (5) Å³
 $Z = 2$

$D_x = 1.530$ Mg m⁻³
 Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 Cell parameters from 634 reflections
 $\theta = 2.8$ – 21.7°
 $\mu = 0.12$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 298$ (2) K
 Plate, colorless
 $0.15 \times 0.12 \times 0.06$ mm

Data collection

Bruker APEX area-detector diffractometer
 φ and ω scans
 Absorption correction: none
 2438 measured reflections
 897 independent reflections

726 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{int} = 0.040$
 $\theta_{max} = 25.0^\circ$
 $h = -7 \rightarrow 8$
 $k = -10 \rightarrow 10$
 $l = -8 \rightarrow 6$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.056$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.127$
 $S = 1.05$
 897 reflections
 151 parameters

H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0712P)^2]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.19$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.29$ e Å⁻³

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

O1—C1	1.323 (6)	C3—C4	1.366 (8)
O2—C1	1.183 (6)	C4—C5	1.375 (8)
O3—C5	1.330 (7)	C5—C6	1.398 (7)
O4—C8	1.217 (7)	C6—C7	1.409 (8)
O5—C8	1.298 (6)	C6—C8	1.467 (8)
O5—C10	1.467 (6)	C7—C9	1.508 (7)
C1—C2	1.479 (8)	C9—C10	1.502 (7)
C2—C7	1.390 (7)	C10—C11	1.493 (7)
C2—C3	1.402 (7)		
C8—O5—C10	117.9 (4)	C5—C6—C8	119.3 (5)
O2—C1—O1	122.8 (5)	C7—C6—C8	119.7 (5)
O2—C1—C2	122.2 (5)	C2—C7—C6	118.8 (5)
O1—C1—C2	115.0 (5)	C2—C7—C9	125.0 (5)
C7—C2—C3	118.9 (5)	C6—C7—C9	116.2 (4)
C7—C2—C1	126.6 (5)	O4—C8—O5	118.0 (5)
C3—C2—C1	114.5 (5)	O4—C8—C6	120.9 (6)
C4—C3—C2	121.9 (5)	O5—C8—C6	121.1 (5)
C3—C4—C5	119.9 (5)	C10—C9—C7	111.2 (4)
O3—C5—C4	116.0 (5)	O5—C10—C11	106.0 (5)
O3—C5—C6	124.5 (5)	O5—C10—C9	110.2 (4)
C4—C5—C6	119.4 (5)	C11—C10—C9	113.2 (5)
C5—C6—C7	120.8 (5)		

The acid and hydroxyl H atoms were located and refined subject to O—H = 0.85 (1) Å. Their displacement parameters were set to 1.2 times U_{eq} of their parent atoms. The C-bound H atoms were positioned geometrically and were included in the refinement in the riding-model approximation; $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C,O)$ for H atoms on secondary and tertiary C atoms and on O atoms, and $U_{iso} = 1.5U_{eq}(C)$ for methyl H atoms. The configuration was that taken from the NMR study of 5-carboxylenmein isolated from the marine fungus *Halorosellinia oceanica* (Chinworrungsee *et al.*, 2001); the report did not, however, mention how the configuration was assigned. In the absence of significant anomalous scattering effects, Friedel pairs were merged.

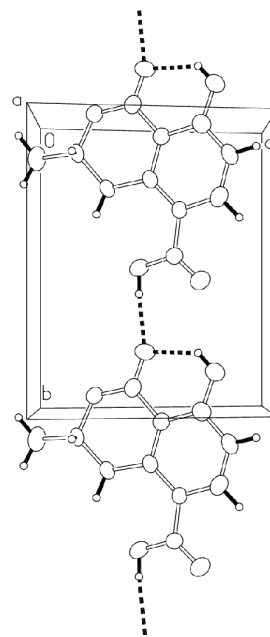


Figure 2

ORTEPII (Johnson, 1976) plot showing the hydrogen-bonded chain running along the b axis of the cell. [$O1 \cdots O4^i = 2.702$ (5) Å; symmetry code: (i) $x, 1 + y, z$].

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2001); cell refinement: *SMART* (Bruker, 2001); data reduction: *SAINTE* (Bruker, 2001); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEPII* (Johnson, 1976); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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