

A P212121 polymorph of (+)-clusianone

ABSTRACT

The title compound, C₃₃H₄₂O₄[systematic name: (1*S*,5*S*,7*R*)-3-benzoyl-4-hydroxy-8,8-dimethyl-1,5,7-tris(3-methylbut-2-enyl) bicyclo[3.3.1]nona-3-ene-2,9-dione], has a central bicyclo[3.3.1]nonane-2,4,9-trione surrounded by tetraprenylated and benzoyl groups. The compound was recrystallized several times in methanol using both a slow evaporation method and with a crystal-seeding technique. This subsequently produced diffraction-quality crystals which crystallize in the orthorhombic space group P212121, in contrast to a previous report of a structure determination in the Pna21 space group [McCandlish et al. (1976). *Acta Cryst. B* 32, 1793-1801]. The title compound has a melting point of 365-366 K, and a specific rotation $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ value of +51.94°. A strong intramolecular O-H...O hydrogen bond is noted. In the crystal, molecules are assembled in the *ab* plane by weak C-H...O interactions.

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