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5,5'-Selenobis(2-hydroxybenzaldehyde)

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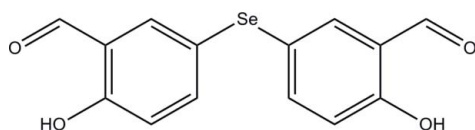
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; $T = 296$ K; mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.004$ Å; R factor = 0.041; wR factor = 0.122; data-to-parameter ratio = 14.8.

In the title molecule, $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{10}\text{O}_4\text{Se}$, the dihedral angle between the two benzene rings is 74.6 (1)°. Both hydroxybenzaldehyde groups form intramolecular $\text{O}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$ hydrogen bonds. In the crystal, pairs of molecules are linked by pairs of weak $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\pi$ (arene) interactions, forming centrosymmetric dimers. In addition, molecules are linked by $\pi-\pi$ stacking interactions, with a centroid-centroid distance of 3.785 (2) Å, forming chains along the c axis.

Related literature

For background to organo-selenium compounds, see: Mukherjee *et al.* (2006); Phadnis *et al.* (2005); Braga *et al.* (2005); Mughesh *et al.* (2001).



Experimental

Crystal data

$\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{10}\text{O}_4\text{Se}$ $c = 13.3353$ (9) Å
 $M_r = 321.18$ $\beta = 90.304$ (1)°
 Monoclinic, $P2_1/n$ $V = 1233.58$ (14) Å³
 $a = 7.7652$ (5) Å $Z = 4$
 $b = 11.9129$ (8) Å Mo $K\alpha$ radiation

$\mu = 3.05$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 296$ K

$0.30 \times 0.20 \times 0.20$ mm

Data collection

Bruker SMART APEX CCD diffractometer
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 2001)
 $T_{\min} = 0.461$, $T_{\max} = 0.581$

7045 measured reflections
 2550 independent reflections
 2041 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.100$

Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.041$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.122$
 $S = 1.08$
 2550 reflections

172 parameters
 H-atom parameters constrained
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.64$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.54$ e Å⁻³

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

 C_g is the centroid of the C8-C13 ring.

$D-H\cdots A$	$D-H$	$H\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-H\cdots A$
$\text{O1}-\text{H1}\cdots\text{O2}$	0.82	1.90	2.621 (4)	146
$\text{O3}-\text{H3A}\cdots\text{O4}$	0.82	1.95	2.660 (4)	145
$\text{C10}-\text{H10}\cdots\text{Cg}^i$	0.93	2.89	3.763 (3)	158

 Symmetry code: (i) $-x + 2, -y + 1, -z + 1$.

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 2001); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2001); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: PLATON (Spek, 2009); software used to prepare material for publication: PLATON.

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S1. Comment

The organo-selenium nucleus is one of the most abundant structural nucleus found in natural products and biologically active molecules (*e.g.*, seleno-carbohydrates, selenoamino acids, and seleno-peptides) (Mukherjee *et al.*, 2006; Phadnis *et al.*, 2005; Braga *et al.*, 2005). Moreover, organoselenium compounds have emerged as an exceptional class of structures that exemplify a role in biochemical processes, serving as important therapeutic compounds ranging from antiviral and anticancer agents to a variety of situations where free radicals are involved (Mugesh *et al.*, 2001). We are currently studying the synthesis of a new series of organoselenium compounds, such as selenes, diselenides and macrocyclic Schiff bases containing selenium atoms. Reported herein are the synthesis and X-ray structure of the title compound.

In the molecule (Fig. 1), the dihedral angle between the two benzene rings is $74.6(1)^\circ$. Two intramolecular O—H \cdots O hydrogen bonds are present in the molecule. The Se1—C1 and Se1—C8 bond lengths are the same within experimental error. The Se1—C1—C6—C5 and Se1—C8—C13—C12 torsional angles of $-174.5(2)^\circ$ and $-174.6(2)^\circ$, respectively, indicate a slight deviation of the selenium atoms from the mean planes of the benzene rings.

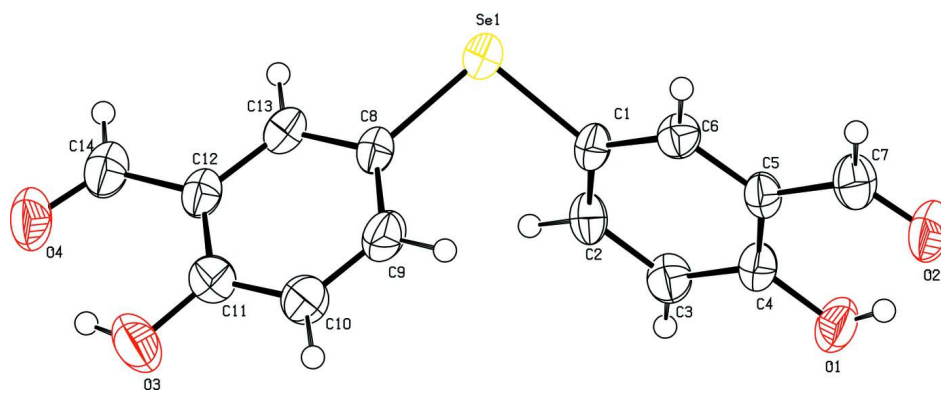
In the crystal, pairs of molecules are linked by weak C—H \cdots π (arene) interactions (see Table 1, Fig. 2). In addition, molecules are linked by Cg1 \cdots Cg2ⁱⁱ (symmetry code (ii): $-1/2+x, 1/2-y, 1/2+z$) and Cg2 \cdots Cg1ⁱⁱⁱ (symmetry code (iii): $1/2+x, 1/2-y, -1/2+z$) π - π stacking interactions with a centroid-centroid distance of $3.785(2)\text{\AA}$ to form one-dimensional chains along the *c* axis (Fig. 3). Cg1 and Cg2 are the centroids of the C1-C6 and C8-C13 rings.

S2. Experimental

A mixture of salicylaldehyde (87.93 g, 0.72 mol), selenium dioxide (26.63 g, 0.24 mol) and concentrated hydrochloric acid (132 ml) was stirred for 0.5 h at room temperature. Then, the mixture was further stirred for 50 h at 353 K. The resulting reddish brown solid was filtered, washed with water and ethanol. The obtained yellowish solid was recrystallized with ethyl acetate and ethanol (*v:v*=5:1) to give yellowish crystals of the title compound in yield 20.8%, which are suitable for X-ray analysis.

S3. Refinement

All H atoms were placed in calculated positions (C—H = 0.93\AA , O—H = 0.82\AA) and included in a riding-model approximation, with $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{iso}}(\text{C})$ or $1.5U_{\text{iso}}(\text{O})$

**Figure 1**

The molecular structure of (I) with 50% probability displacement ellipsoids for non-H atoms.

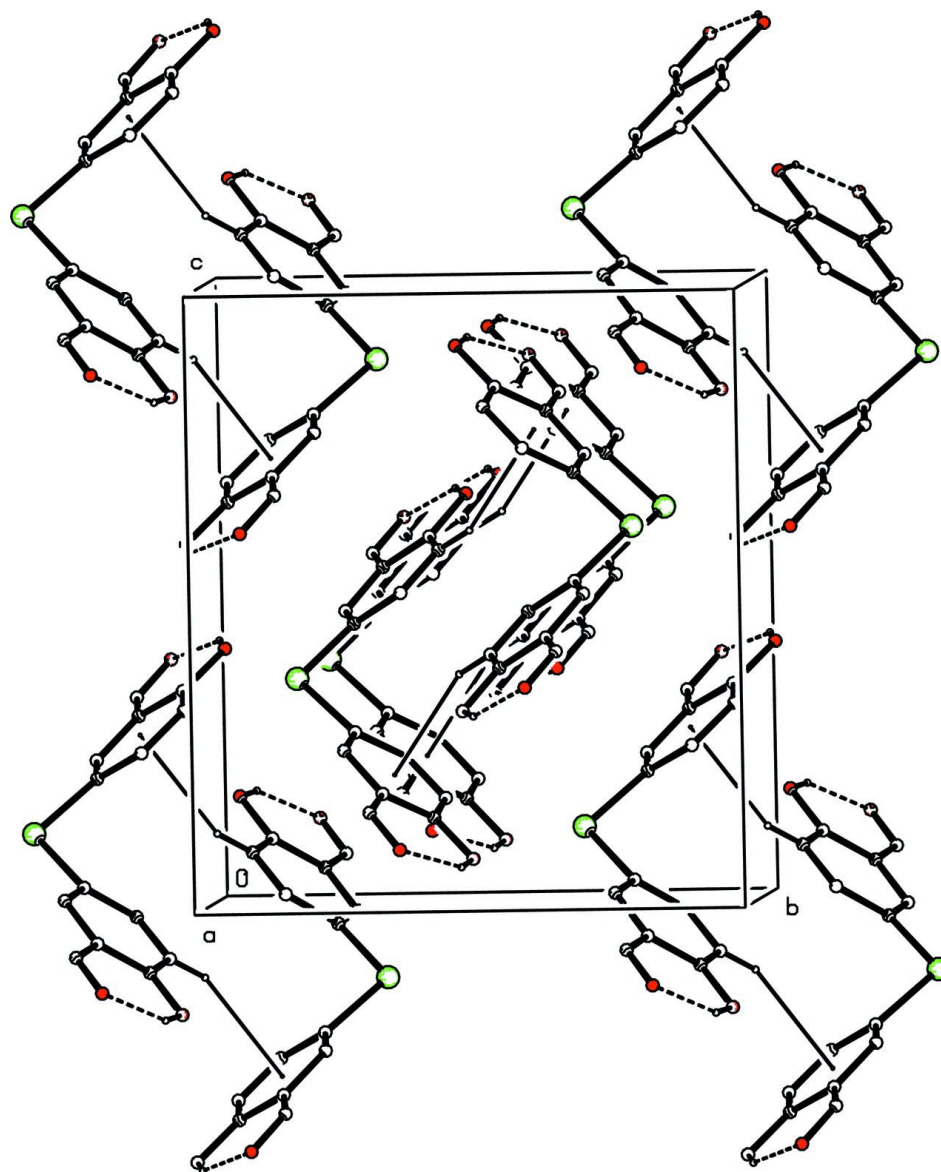


Figure 2

The crystal packing showing the hydrogen bonding interactions as thin solid lines. H atoms not involved in hydrogen bonds have been omitted.

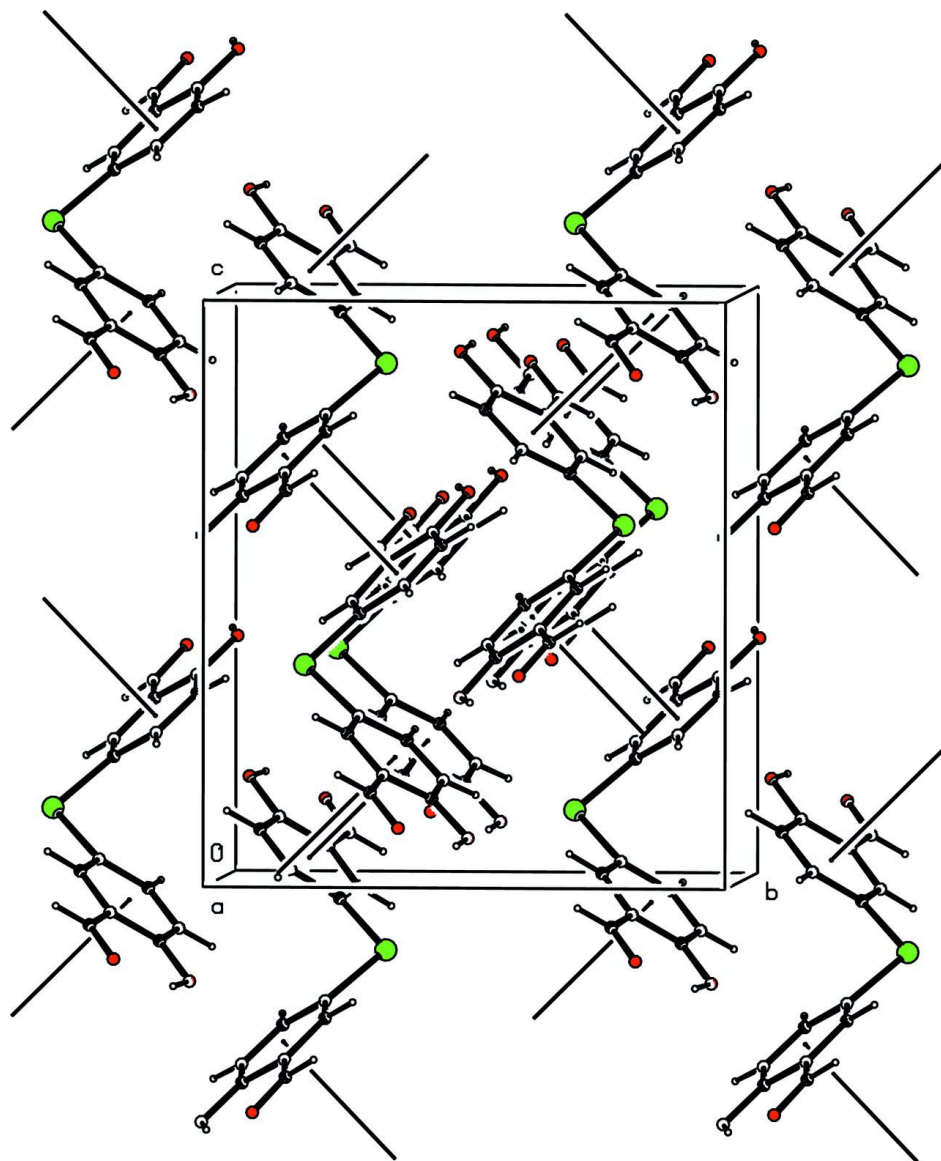


Figure 3

Part of the crystal structure showing π - π stacking interactions between benzene rings as thin solid lines.

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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
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0633P)^2]$
where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.64 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.54 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (\AA^2)

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
Se1	0.10731 (4)	0.81234 (3)	0.62308 (2)	0.04535 (18)
C8	0.0015 (4)	0.7027 (3)	0.7079 (2)	0.0347 (7)
C1	0.2434 (4)	0.7156 (3)	0.5393 (2)	0.0334 (6)
C5	0.5117 (4)	0.6774 (2)	0.4565 (2)	0.0340 (7)
C6	0.4134 (4)	0.7406 (3)	0.5238 (2)	0.0356 (7)
H6	0.4640	0.8000	0.5583	0.043*
O1	0.5229 (3)	0.5247 (2)	0.33974 (17)	0.0514 (6)
H1	0.6219	0.5483	0.3355	0.077*
C13	-0.1686 (4)	0.7131 (3)	0.7323 (2)	0.0369 (7)
H13	-0.2337	0.7699	0.7028	0.044*
C3	0.2627 (4)	0.5615 (3)	0.4229 (2)	0.0412 (7)
H3	0.2116	0.5011	0.3901	0.049*
O2	0.7856 (3)	0.6539 (2)	0.38446 (19)	0.0577 (7)
O4	-0.5065 (3)	0.5951 (2)	0.8838 (2)	0.0593 (7)
C4	0.4354 (4)	0.5874 (3)	0.4060 (2)	0.0350 (7)
C12	-0.2473 (4)	0.6400 (3)	0.8007 (2)	0.0366 (7)
C2	0.1688 (4)	0.6257 (3)	0.4884 (2)	0.0389 (7)
H2	0.0534	0.6089	0.4990	0.047*
C7	0.6922 (4)	0.7058 (3)	0.4396 (3)	0.0443 (8)
H7	0.7378	0.7674	0.4733	0.053*
C10	0.0214 (4)	0.5417 (3)	0.8167 (3)	0.0504 (9)
H10	0.0866	0.4834	0.8436	0.060*
C9	0.0956 (4)	0.6158 (3)	0.7512 (3)	0.0463 (8)
H9	0.2115	0.6077	0.7354	0.056*
C11	-0.1501 (4)	0.5530 (3)	0.8433 (3)	0.0456 (8)

O3	-0.2165 (3)	0.4793 (2)	0.9087 (2)	0.0676 (8)
H3A	-0.3182	0.4942	0.9183	0.101*
C14	-0.4287 (4)	0.6536 (3)	0.8254 (3)	0.0490 (8)
H14	-0.4889	0.7113	0.7941	0.059*

Atomic displacement parameters (Å²)

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
Se1	0.0460 (2)	0.0397 (2)	0.0505 (3)	0.00471 (13)	0.01921 (17)	-0.00162 (15)
C8	0.0277 (15)	0.0413 (18)	0.0351 (15)	0.0014 (12)	0.0057 (12)	-0.0033 (13)
C1	0.0240 (14)	0.0430 (16)	0.0332 (15)	0.0034 (12)	0.0040 (12)	-0.0008 (14)
C5	0.0275 (15)	0.0406 (17)	0.0339 (14)	-0.0006 (12)	0.0046 (12)	0.0039 (13)
C6	0.0374 (16)	0.0373 (17)	0.0320 (15)	-0.0022 (13)	0.0003 (13)	-0.0048 (14)
O1	0.0497 (13)	0.0560 (15)	0.0485 (13)	0.0027 (11)	0.0165 (11)	-0.0142 (12)
C13	0.0354 (16)	0.0412 (17)	0.0341 (15)	0.0065 (13)	0.0019 (13)	-0.0070 (14)
C3	0.0424 (17)	0.0436 (18)	0.0376 (16)	-0.0076 (14)	0.0034 (14)	-0.0079 (15)
O2	0.0352 (14)	0.0726 (17)	0.0653 (16)	0.0044 (12)	0.0168 (12)	-0.0026 (15)
O4	0.0416 (14)	0.0705 (18)	0.0661 (16)	-0.0140 (12)	0.0206 (12)	-0.0110 (14)
C4	0.0287 (14)	0.0457 (18)	0.0306 (14)	0.0029 (13)	0.0023 (12)	0.0015 (14)
C12	0.0291 (15)	0.0434 (18)	0.0373 (16)	-0.0036 (13)	0.0032 (13)	-0.0113 (14)
C2	0.0253 (15)	0.050 (2)	0.0410 (17)	-0.0050 (13)	0.0053 (13)	0.0005 (15)
C7	0.0268 (16)	0.058 (2)	0.0483 (18)	-0.0035 (14)	0.0002 (14)	0.0020 (17)
C10	0.0308 (16)	0.049 (2)	0.072 (2)	0.0094 (15)	0.0054 (16)	0.0137 (19)
C9	0.0317 (16)	0.050 (2)	0.058 (2)	0.0061 (14)	0.0081 (15)	-0.0037 (17)
C11	0.0453 (18)	0.0418 (19)	0.0496 (18)	-0.0030 (15)	0.0058 (15)	-0.0008 (17)
O3	0.0511 (15)	0.0664 (18)	0.086 (2)	-0.0042 (13)	0.0179 (14)	0.0289 (16)
C14	0.0383 (19)	0.058 (2)	0.0504 (19)	-0.0010 (16)	0.0074 (16)	-0.0098 (19)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

Se1—C8	1.916 (3)	C3—C4	1.395 (4)
Se1—C1	1.925 (3)	C3—H3	0.9300
C8—C13	1.368 (4)	O2—C7	1.206 (4)
C8—C9	1.391 (4)	O4—C14	1.209 (4)
C1—C6	1.370 (4)	C12—C11	1.401 (5)
C1—C2	1.392 (4)	C12—C14	1.457 (4)
C5—C4	1.396 (4)	C2—H2	0.9300
C5—C6	1.401 (4)	C7—H7	0.9300
C5—C7	1.461 (4)	C10—C9	1.370 (5)
C6—H6	0.9300	C10—C11	1.386 (5)
O1—C4	1.344 (4)	C10—H10	0.9300
O1—H1	0.8200	C9—H9	0.9300
C13—C12	1.403 (5)	C11—O3	1.343 (4)
C13—H13	0.9300	O3—H3A	0.8200
C3—C2	1.374 (4)	C14—H14	0.9300
C8—Se1—C1	99.96 (14)	C11—C12—C13	119.1 (3)
C13—C8—C9	118.3 (3)	C11—C12—C14	120.6 (3)

C13—C8—Se1	119.7 (2)	C13—C12—C14	120.2 (3)
C9—C8—Se1	121.8 (2)	C3—C2—C1	121.2 (3)
C6—C1—C2	119.5 (3)	C3—C2—H2	119.4
C6—C1—Se1	119.3 (2)	C1—C2—H2	119.4
C2—C1—Se1	121.0 (2)	O2—C7—C5	123.8 (3)
C4—C5—C6	119.4 (3)	O2—C7—H7	118.1
C4—C5—C7	120.6 (3)	C5—C7—H7	118.1
C6—C5—C7	120.0 (3)	C9—C10—C11	120.5 (3)
C1—C6—C5	120.5 (3)	C9—C10—H10	119.7
C1—C6—H6	119.7	C11—C10—H10	119.7
C5—C6—H6	119.7	C10—C9—C8	121.5 (3)
C4—O1—H1	109.5	C10—C9—H9	119.3
C8—C13—C12	121.5 (3)	C8—C9—H9	119.3
C8—C13—H13	119.2	O3—C11—C10	118.4 (3)
C12—C13—H13	119.2	O3—C11—C12	122.6 (3)
C2—C3—C4	119.5 (3)	C10—C11—C12	119.0 (3)
C2—C3—H3	120.2	C11—O3—H3A	109.5
C4—C3—H3	120.2	O4—C14—C12	124.7 (4)
O1—C4—C3	118.2 (3)	O4—C14—H14	117.7
O1—C4—C5	121.9 (3)	C12—C14—H14	117.7
C3—C4—C5	119.9 (3)		
C1—Se1—C8—C13	-138.5 (3)	C8—C13—C12—C14	179.7 (3)
C1—Se1—C8—C9	45.8 (3)	C4—C3—C2—C1	-0.8 (5)
C8—Se1—C1—C6	-131.5 (3)	C6—C1—C2—C3	0.0 (5)
C8—Se1—C1—C2	53.3 (3)	Se1—C1—C2—C3	175.2 (2)
C2—C1—C6—C5	0.8 (5)	C4—C5—C7—O2	-1.6 (5)
Se1—C1—C6—C5	-174.5 (2)	C6—C5—C7—O2	178.4 (3)
C4—C5—C6—C1	-0.9 (5)	C11—C10—C9—C8	-1.3 (6)
C7—C5—C6—C1	179.2 (3)	C13—C8—C9—C10	0.1 (5)
C9—C8—C13—C12	1.3 (5)	Se1—C8—C9—C10	175.9 (3)
Se1—C8—C13—C12	-174.6 (2)	C9—C10—C11—O3	-179.1 (3)
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C2—C3—C4—C5	0.7 (5)	C13—C12—C11—O3	-179.5 (3)
C6—C5—C4—O1	179.2 (3)	C14—C12—C11—O3	-0.7 (5)
C7—C5—C4—O1	-0.8 (5)	C13—C12—C11—C10	0.2 (5)
C6—C5—C4—C3	0.1 (4)	C14—C12—C11—C10	179.0 (3)
C7—C5—C4—C3	-179.9 (3)	C11—C12—C14—O4	1.6 (5)
C8—C13—C12—C11	-1.4 (5)	C13—C12—C14—O4	-179.5 (3)

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Cg is the centroid of the C8-C13 ring.

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