## X-Ray Crystallographic Analysis of Methyl (1S,2R,5R,6S,7R)-5,6-Dimethyl-2-(ω-camphanoyloxy)bicyclo[4.3.0]nonane-7-carboxylate. Revision of the Absolute Configurations of the Liverwort Sesquiterpenoids (—)-Chiloscyphone and (+)-Chiloscypholone

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**Synopsis.** The X-ray analysis of the title compound has been carried out to give unambiguous assignment of the absolute configurations of the liverwort sesquiterpenoids (—)-chiloscyphone and (+)-chiloscypholone, each for which the enantiomerically opposite configurations had been assigned in the previous report.

Determination of the absolute structure of the terpenoids isolated from the liverworts is a matter of interest, since it is closely related to their biological activities. In the previous work, 1) the absolute structures of 1 and 6 were elucidated on the basis of the analysis of the CD spectra of the synthetic intermediates in the total synthesis of 1. In the present work, the absolute configuration of the title compound (2), one of the intermediates in the total synthesis of 1, 1) was determined by X-ray analysis. The results gave the revision of our previous assignment of the absolute configurations of 1 and 6.

Among the four  $\omega$ -camphanic esters prepared,<sup>1)</sup> 2,  $[\alpha]_D - 1.4^\circ$  (c 4.9 CHCl<sub>3</sub>); mp 159—160 °C, was nicely recrystallized from chloroform-methanol, whose X-ray analysis has been carried out. The final atomic coordinates are listed in the Table 1.<sup>2)</sup> Perspective view of the molecule is given in Fig. 1. This clearly shows

that 2 has 1S, 2R, 5R, 6S, 7R configurations, since the absolute configurations of the camphanic ester part are known. That is, the absolute configuration of 2 is expressed as in the structure formula. This figure also shows that the conformation of the six-membered ring of the hydrindan system is chair and that the hydrindan system adopts nonsteroidal conformation.

In the total synthesis of 1, we used the diastereomeric  $\omega$ -camphanic ester 3 ( $[\alpha]_D$  –7.8°), whose absolute configurations were clear, because both 2 and 3 were prepared from the corresponding alcohol ( $\pm$ )-4 by camphanoylation and HPLC separation. The alcohol

Table 1. Non-Hydrogen Positional and Isotropic Displacement Parameters (Å<sup>2</sup>) for 2, with esd's in Parentheses

	x/a	y/b	z/c	$U_{ m eq}$
C(1)	0.4083(2)	0.1998(5)	0.2287(2)	0.0406(6)
C(2)	0.4660(2)	0.07300	0.3145(2)	0.0445(7)
C(3)	0.4818(2)	-0.1189(5)	0.2669(3)	0.0520(8)
C(4)	0.3834(2)	-0.2041(5)	0.2231(3)	0.0534(8)
C(5)	0.3238(2)	-0.0854(5)	0.1326(2)	0.0427(7)
C(6)	0.3089(2)	0.1163(5)	0.1767(2)	0.0374(6)
C(7)	0.2855(2)	0.2563(5)	0.0734(2)	0.0449(7)
C(8)	0.3854(2)	0.2993(6)	0.0242(3)	0.0575(8)
C(9)	0.4652(2)	0.2579(5)	0.1221(3)	0.0528(8)
C(10)	0.2091(2)	0.1971(5)	-0.0228(2)	0.0517(7)
C(11)	0.2272(3)	-0.1895(6)	0.0968(3)	0.0648(9)
C(12)	0.2292(2)	0.1249(6)	0.2658(3)	0.0579(8)
C(13)	0.0392(3)	0.1728(9)	-0.0791(5)	0.110(1)
C(14)	0.7169(2)	0.2044(5)	0.4335(2)	0.0402(6)
C(15)	0.7257(2)	0.4109(5)	0.4031(3)	0.0464(7)
C(16)	0.8369(2)	0.4292(5)	0.3854(3)	0.0489(7)
C(17)	0.8778(2)	0.2274(5)	0.4035(2)	0.0424(7)
C(18)	0.8683(2)	0.1964(5)	0.5330(2)	0.0479(7)
C(19)	0.7889(2)	0.1074(5)	0.3524(2)	0.0383(6)
C(20)	0.6152(2)	0.1194(5)	0.4383(2)	0.0473(7)
C(21)	0.9797(2)	0.1933(6)	0.3613(3)	0.0619(8)
C(22)	0.7649(2)	0.1357(5)	0.2208(2)	0.0502(7)
C(23)	0.8018(3)	-0.1000(5)	0.3789(3)	0.0576(8)
O(1)	0.5621(1)	0.1650(4)	0.3397(2)	0.0502(5)
O(2)	0.2269(2)	0.1292(5)	-0.1144(2)	0.0727(7)
O(3)	0.1169(2)	0.2318(5)	0.0067(2)	0.0801(8)
O(4)	0.9299(2)	0.1875(5)	0.6137(2)	0.0684(7)
O(5)	0.5881(2)	0.0227(5)	0.5150(2)	0.0749(7)
O(6)	0.7694(1)	0.1829(4)	0.5495(1)	0.0487(5)

a)  $U_{\text{eq}} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{i} \sum_{j} U_{ij} \boldsymbol{a}_{i}^{*} \boldsymbol{a}_{j}^{*} \boldsymbol{a}_{i} \boldsymbol{a}_{j}$ .

(+)-4 was derived from 3 by alkaline treatment.<sup>1)</sup> The sign of the specific rotation of the corresponding ketone 5 was (-) and the sign of the Cotton effect was (-). The back octant of (-)-5 shown in Fig. 2 suggests that the expected sign of the Cotton effect should be (-), which was erroneously assigned previously.<sup>1)</sup> Since the results of the X-ray analysis of 2 are unambiguous and natural (-)-chiloscyphone (1) had been synthesized from the diastereomeric isomer 3,<sup>1)</sup> the absolute configuration of (-)-1 as well as (+)-chiloscypholone (6), which was

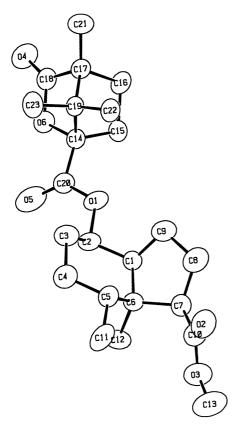


Fig. 1. Computer generated perspective view of 2.

converted to (-)-1,11 should be formulated as depicted in the scheme.

## **Experimental**

General. See Ref. 1.

Single-Crystal X-Ray Structure Analysis. Crystals of 2 were recrystallized from chloroform-methanol. A truncated rectangular prism of approximately 0.5×0.5×0.5 mm was chosen for X-ray measurements. The crystals are monoclinic, space group  $P2_1$  (No. 4), with a=13.516 (1), b=7.1924 (7), c=11.398(1) Å,  $\beta = 93.94$  (1)°, V = 1105.4 (2) Å<sup>3</sup>, and  $d_{calcd} = 1.221$  g cm<sup>-3</sup> for Z=2 (C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>34</sub>O<sub>6</sub>, M=406.52). Intensity data were measured at 298 K on a Rigaku AFC-5 diffractometer with graphite monochromated Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda$ =0.71073 Å). The cell dimensions were obtained from the least-squares refinement of  $50\theta$  values in the range of  $25 < 2\theta < 40^{\circ}$ . The data were collected using the  $\omega$ -2 $\theta$  scan technique at an  $\omega$  rate of 3.0° min<sup>-1</sup> with a  $2\theta$  range from 3.0—60.0°. Data having  $-19 \le h \le 19, -10 \le k \le 0, 0 \le k \le 16$  were measured. Three reflections (200, 040, 004) were remeasured every 100 reflections to monitor instrument and crystal stability, and the intensity monotonically decreased 17% during the measurement. All the intensity data were empirically corrected on the basis of the intensity variation of the three standard reflections using UNICS3.3) Of 2928 reflections with  $F_0 \geqslant 3\sigma(F_0)$ , 2491 were unique, with  $R_{int}$ =0.0071 from averaging symmetry-equivalent reflections. The data were corrected for Lp effects, but not for absorption.

The structure was solved by direct methods with SHELXS864) and refined by full-matrix least squares with SHELX76.5) The number of the parameters refined was 397. The non-H atoms were refined with anisotropic displacement parameters. All of the H-atoms were initially calculated in idealized positions but were refined under the C-H bond length constraint during the final refinement cycles. The function  $\Sigma(|F_{o}|-|F_{c}|)^{2}$  was optimized, where  $w=[\sigma^{2}(F_{o})+0.0004(F_{o})^{2}]^{-1}$ . In the final least-squares refinement, R=0.045,  $R_w=0.051$ , S=1.544, and  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}}$ =0.396. The maximum and the minimum height in the final difference Fourier synthesis were 0.15 and -0.26 eÅ<sup>-3</sup>, respectively. Atomic scattering factors were taken from International Tables for X-Ray Crystallography. 6) Calculations of the geometrical parameters and drawing of the ORTEP diagrams were performed using XTAL3.0 software.7)

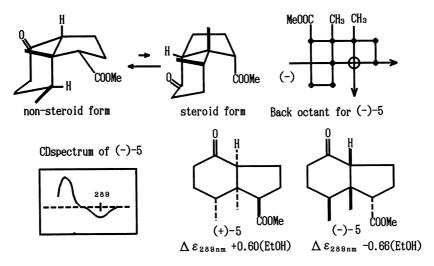


Fig. 2. The CD spectrum and back octant for (-)-(5).

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