The structure was determined by direct methods and refined by anistropic full-matrix least squares on F. All C atoms were refined isotropically. All H atoms were located geometrically (C—H distance 0.98 Å) and not refined.

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Structures of 1-Ferrocenyl-1-phenylethanol, Ferrocenyl(diphenyl)methanol and Ferrocene-1,1'-diylbis(diphenylmethanol)

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Abstract

Racemic 1-ferrocenyl-1-phenylethanol, $[(C_5H_5)Fe-(C_5H_4)]CPhMeOH (I)$, crystallizes as discrete molecules which are not involved in hydrogen bonding; the shortest intermolecular O···O contact is 3.768(3) Å and the hydroxyl H atom is orientated towards the unsubstituted cyclopentadienyl ring. Ferrocenyl(diphenyl)methanol, $[(C_5H_5)Fe(C_5H_4)]CPh_2OH$ (II) is hydrogen bonded to form centrosymmetric dimers with O···O 2.816(1) and H···O 2.52 Å. Ferrocene-1,1'-diylbis(diphenylmethanol), Fe[(C_5H_4)C(Ph)_2COH]_2 (III) crystallizes as a dimeric aggregate with the Fe atoms on twofold crystallographic symmetry axes and the four O atoms defin-

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ing a folded trapezium with $O \cdots O$ 2.762(2), 2.714(2) and 2.865(2) Å. The four hydroxyl groups are disordered equally over two orientations such that there are two half-occupancy H-atom sites between each hydrogen-bonded oxygen pair.

Comment

Triphenylmethanol, Ph₃COH, crystallizes as hydrogenbonded tetrameric aggregates with threefold crystallographic symmetry, each containing an approximately tetrahedral arrangement of O atoms with necessarily disordered hydroxyl H atoms (Ferguson, Gallagher, Glidewell, Low & Scrimgeour, 1992). These aggregates are significantly different from the cyclic tetrameric aggregates found in triphenylsilanol, Ph₃SiOH (Puff, Braun & Reuter, 1991), and in triphenylgermanol, Ph₃GeOH (Ferguson, Gallagher, Murphy, Spalding, Glidewell & Holden, 1992), whose graph set (Etter, MacDonald & Bernstein, 1990) is $R_4^4(8)$. Triphenylmethanol can act as a host towards guest molecules such as methanol and dimethyl sulfoxide (Weber, Skobridis & Goldberg, 1989) albeit with hydrogen-bonding arrangements wholly different from that in unsolvated Ph₃COH. The diol mbis(diphenylhydroxymethyl)benzene, which forms similar host/guest aggregates with a range of different guest species, crystallizes as centrosymmetric dimers (Toda, Kai, Toyotaka, Yip & Mak, 1989) with graph set $R_2^2(16)$.

In order to assess the effect on the hydrogen-bonding patterns in the crystal lattice in alcohols of this general type by altering the steric demands at the central C atom, we have now determined the structures of racemic 1-ferrocenyl-1-phenylethanol, $[(C_5H_5)Fe(C_5H_4)]CPhMe-OH$ (I); ferrocenyl(diphenyl)methanol, $[(C_5H_5)Fe(C_5H_4)]CPh_2OH$ (II); and ferrocene-1,1'-diylbis(diphenylmethanol), $Fe[(C_5H_4)C(Ph)_2COH]_2$ (III).



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[(C₅H₅)Fe(C₅H₄)]CPhMeOH (I) (Fig. 1) crystallizes in the centrosymetric space group $P2_1/n$ with one molecule in the asymmetric unit; consequently R and S enantiomers are present in equal numbers and related by crystallographic centres of inversion. The unsubstituted C₅H₅ ring is disordered over two sites with occupancies of 87 and 13% for the major and minor components. There is no hydrogen bonding in the crystal structure, presumably because the conformation adopted by the ferrocenyl, methyl and phenyl substitutents in the solid state shields the hydroxyl group; the distance between the nearest hydroxyl O atoms O···O, 3.768(3) Å, precludes O—H···O hydrogen bonding. Instead the hydroxyl H atom (which was clearly located in difference maps) is orientated towards the C5H5 cyclopentadienyl ring with dimensions O-H 0.76 Å and С-О-Н 105°.

Ferrocenyl(diphenyl)methanol (II) (Fig. 2) differs from the triphenylmethanol molecule by replacement of one of the phenyl groups by a ferrocenyl group. As in 1ferrocenyl-1-phenylethanol (I) the hydroxyl H atom, the



Fig. 1. A view of 1-ferrocenyl-1-phenylethanol (I). The non-H atoms are shown with thermal ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level. For clarity the minor cyclopentadienyl site has been omitted and the H atoms are drawn as small spheres of an arbitrary size.

position of which was clearly located from a difference map, is directed towards the unsubstituted C_5H_5 ring in the same molecule (Fig. 2). An unexpected feature in (II) is that the shortest O···O contact between adjacent molecules related by an inversion centre is 2.816(1) Å with O—H 0.76, H···O 2.52 Å, C—O—H 104, O— H···O 106°. The graph set for this centrosymmetric hydrogen-bonded motif is $R_2^2(4)$. It is of interest that the closest intermolecular approach in (I) [3.768(3) Å] is appreciably longer than in (II) [2.816(2) Å] although the steric congestion about the unique central C atom in (II) is apparently greater than in (I).



Fig. 2. A view of ferrocenyl(diphenyl)methanol (II) as the dimeric aggregate. Ellipsoid conditions are as for Fig. 1.

Ferrocene-1,1'-diylbis(diphenylmethanol) (III) differs from (I) and (II) in that it contains two carbinol moieties on the electroactive molecular core. The asymmetric unit in this structure comprises two independent halfmolecules with both Fe atoms lying on a crystallographic twofold axis. The molecules are hydrogen bonded to form a dimeric structural motif, graph set $R_4^4(8)$ (Fig. 3) which is quite different from that found in triphenylmethanol. The O atoms form a flattened trapezium with O···O hydrogenbond distances 2.762(2) (×2), 2.714(2) and 2.865(2) Å. Difference-density maps showed that in both molecules the hydroxyl H atom is disordered equally over two sites, each directed towards neighbouring hydroxyl O atoms as shown in Fig. 3. The O—H distances are in the range 0.60 to 0.70 Å while the C-O-H angles are between 116.3 and 125.7°. The positional disorder of the H atoms demands that the hydrogen-bonded motif describes either a clockwise or a counterclockwise pattern; hence each individual dimeric aggregate must be chiral, with equal numbers of the two enantiomers rendering the crystal as a whole achiral.



Fig. 3. A view of the two independent ferrocene-1,1'-diylbis(diphenylmethanol) molecules (III). The non-H atoms are depicted with thermal ellipsoids drawn at the 35% probability level. For clarity the H atoms are drawn as small spheres of an arbitrary size. A crystallographic twofold axis passes through the two Fe atoms.

In (I) the major conformer has a $3.4(3)^{\circ}$ angle between the C₅ planes of the ferrocene moiety which is within 8.8(3)° of an eclipsed conformation [the relevant values for the minor isomer are 7(1) and $25(1)^{\circ}$, respectively]; in (II) the corresponding dihedral angle is $3.2(1)^{\circ}$ and the rotation of the C₅ planes out of an eclipsed conformation is 17.6(1)°. The two independent ferrocene moieties in (III) have 3.7(2) and $4.6(2)^{\circ}$ dihedral angles between their symmetry related C₅ planes (for molecules A and B, respectively). Although the C_5 rings are within 3.2(2) and $7.7(2)^{\circ}$ of being eclipsed, the conformation adopted is such that the exocyclic C atoms are rotated about a line joining the ring centroids through -66.5(2) and $62.1(2)^{\circ}$ from an eclipsed conformation.

The molecular dimensions for (I), (II) and (III) are summarized in Table 4 and show no unusual features. There is no solvent of crystallization present in any of the lattices and an examination of the structures using PLATON (Spek, 1991) reveals no potential volume for any solvent molecules.

Experimental

Compound (I)

Crystal data C18H18FeO $M_r = 305.53$ Monoclinic $P2_1/n$ a = 13.7594 (6) Å *b* = 5.9786 (3) Å c = 17.8430 (12) Å $\beta = 106.115 (5)^{\circ}$ $V = 1410.12 (13) \text{ Å}^3$ Z = 4

 $D_{\rm r} = 1.439 {\rm Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo $K\alpha$ radiation $\lambda = 0.70930 \text{ Å}$ Cell parameters from 25 reflections $\theta = 10.5 - 15.8^{\circ}$ $\mu = 1.06 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 293 KBlock $0.30 \times 0.25 \times 0.20$ mm Red-brown

Data collection

$R_{\rm int} = 0.012$
$\theta_{\rm max} = 26.91^{\circ}$
$h = -17 \rightarrow 16$
$k = 0 \rightarrow 7$
$l = 0 \rightarrow 22$
3 standard reflections
frequency: 120 mir
intensity variation:

Refinement

Fe 0

C2 Cl

$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.23 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
$\Delta \rho_{\rm min}$ = -0.20 e Å ⁻³
Extinction correction: Larson
(1970)
Extinction coefficient:
10102 (3770) Atomic scattering factors
from International Tables
for X-ray Crystallogra-
phy (1974, Vol. IV, Table
2.2B)

frequency: 120 min intensity variation: -2.0%

Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic thermal parameters $(Å^2)$ for (I)

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$U_{eq} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_i \sum_j U_{ij} a_i^* a_j^* \mathbf{a}_i \cdot \mathbf{a}_j.$				
	x	у	z	Ueq
Fe	0.286552 (22)	0.20604 (5)	0.076972 (16)	0.03530 (17)
0	0.09022 (13)	-0.0505 (3)	-0.06064 (10)	0.0486 (10)
Cl	0.11628 (15)	0.1617 (3)	-0.08809 (12)	0.0349 (10)
C2	0.03753 (18)	0.3333 (4)	-0.08193 (14)	0.0488 (14)
C11	0.2308 (6)	0.3070 (7)	0.1668 (3)	0.060 (3)
C12	0.3343 (5)	0.2647 (15)	0.19439 (21)	0.083 (4)
C13	0.3490 (5)	0.0433 (18)	0.1788 (3)	0.091 (4)
C14	0.2557 (7)	-0.0535 (6)	0.1408 (3)	0.073 (3)
C15	0.18242 (23)	0.1115 (12)	0.13396 (18)	0.0522 (19)
C21	0.25511 (17)	0.4417 (4)	-0.00932 (12)	0.0405 (12)
C22	0.36090 (18)	0.4307 (4)	0.02694 (12)	0.0479 (13)
C23	0.39360 (17)	0.2121 (5)	0.01785 (13)	0.0483 (13)
C24	0.30801 (17)	0.0860 (4)	-0.02451 (12)	0.0411 (12)
C25	0.22180 (15)	0.2281 (4)	-0.04103 (11)	0.0328 (10)
C31	0.11470 (15)	0.1291 (4)	-0.17322 (11)	0.0350 (10)
C32	0.07987 (18)	0.0649 (4)	-0.21391 (13)	0.0467 (13)
C33	0.08037 (20)	-0.0855 (5)	-0.29133 (15)	0.0582 (15)
C34	0.11442 (19)	0.0833 (6)	-0.32861 (13)	0.0583 (17)
C35	0.14936 (19)	0.2772 (5)	-0.28892 (14)	0.0548 (15)
C36	0.14887 (17)	0.3004 (4)	-0.21195 (13)	0.0451 (12)
C11A	0.2998 (23)	0.3065 (22)	0.1852 (11)	0.023 (4)
C12A	0.3697 (10)	0.135 (3)	0.1864 (12)	0.041 (6)
C13A	0.3253 (20)	-0.0614 (23)	0.1553 (13)	0.049 (7)
C14A	0.2102 (15)	0.003 (5)	0.1312 (12)	0.046 (7)
C15A	0.2009 (15)	0.224 (5)	0.1513 (13)	0.033 (5)
HO1	0.105	-0.040	-0.017	0.0620

Compound (II)

Crystal data C23H20FeO $M_r = 368.25$

 $D_{\rm x} = 1.372 {\rm Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo $K\alpha$ radiation

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Triclinic P1
a = 7.8205 (4) Å b = 11.0274 (4) Å c = 11.7715 (6) Å $\alpha = 105.707 (4)^{\circ}$ $\beta = 106.128 (5)^{\circ}$ $\gamma = 102.403 (4)^{\circ}$ $V = 891.45 (7) \text{ Å}^{3}$ Z = 2

Data collection

Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer $\omega/2\theta$ scans Absorption correction: empirical $T_{\min} = 0.7666, T_{\max} =$ 0.8246 5174 measured reflections 5174 independent reflections

Refinement

Refinement on F	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.35 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
Final $R = 0.030$	$\Delta ho_{ m min}$ = -0.25 e Å $^{-3}$
wR = 0.049	Extinction correction: Larse
S = 1.46	(1970)
4294 reflections	Extinction coefficient:
227 parameters	9806 (914) Atomic scattering factors
O—H from Δ maps; C—H,	from International Table
0.95 Å riding	for X-ray Crystallogra-
$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F) + 0.0008F^2]$	phy (1974, Vol. IV, Table
$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$	2.2B)

Table 2. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic thermal parameters (Å²) for (II)

 $U_{\text{eq}} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{i} \sum_{i} U_{ii} a_i^* a_i^* \mathbf{a}_i \cdot \mathbf{a}_i.$

	x	у	z	Uea	
Fe	0.80686 (3)	0.347480 (17)	0.224884 (19)	0.03852 (13)	
0	0.67955 (15)	0.58033 (11)	0.08724 (10)	0.0506 (6)	
Cl	0.83751 (17)	0.63797 (12)	0.20420 (12)	0.0352 (6)	
C11	0.58540 (25)	0.31522 (18)	0.28581 (18)	0.0562 (10)	
C12	0.6864 (3)	0.22922 (22)	0.30722 (21)	0.0678 (13)	
C13	0.6845 (3)	0.15185 (17)	0.1896 (3)	0.0764 (16)	
C14	0.5807 (3)	0.19263 (19)	0.09583 (19)	0.0677 (11)	
C15	0.51897 (22)	0.29383 (17)	0.15655 (18)	0.0535 (9)	
C21	1.01030 (19)	0.52109 (14)	0.34689 (15)	0.0432 (7)	
C22	1.08970 (23)	0.41550 (18)	0.32494 (22)	0.0600 (11)	
C23	1.0546 (3)	0.36274 (17)	0.19415 (23)	0.0648 (13)	
C24	0.9547 (3)	0.43523 (16)	0.13356 (17)	0.0528 (9)	
C25	0.92675 (18)	0.53351 (13)	0.22774 (13)	0.0373 (7)	
C31	0.97241 (19)	0.74859 (13)	0.18654 (12)	0.0370 (6)	
C32	0.90303 (22)	0.84081 (15)	0.14459 (14)	0.0457 (8)	
C33	1.0218 (3)	0.94478 (16)	0.13074 (17)	0.0573 (11)	
C34	1.2089 (3)	0.95820 (17)	0.15892 (17)	0.0617 (11)	
C35	1.2783 (3)	0.86868 (20)	0.20082 (19)	0.0612 (11)	
C36	1.16077 (22)	0.76284 (17)	0.21437 (16)	0.0507 (9)	
C41	0.77634 (18)	0.69752 (13)	0.31412 (12)	0.0362 (7)	
C42	0.90471 (21)	0.80034 (15)	0.42249 (14)	0.0452 (8)	
C43	0.8520 (3)	0.85157 (17)	0.52458 (16)	0.0568 (11)	
C44	0.6727 (3)	0.79912 (20)	0.52030 (19)	0.0612 (12)	
C45	0.54613 (25)	0.69710 (21)	0.41465 (20)	0.0608 (12)	
C46	0.59592 (21)	0.64693 (17)	0.31113 (17)	0.0499 (9)	
HO1	0.640	0.509	0.083	0.0528	

4294 observed reflections $[I_{\text{net}} > 3.0\sigma(I_{\text{net}})]$ $\theta_{\rm max} = 29.92^{\circ}$ $h = -10 \rightarrow 10$ $k = 0 \rightarrow 15$ $l = -16 \rightarrow 15$ 3 standard reflections frequency: 60 min intensity variation: none

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Compound (III) Crystal data C₃₆H₃₀FeO₂ $M_r = 550.47$ Monoclinic C2/ca = 13.2841 (6) Å b = 23.2856 (12) Å c = 18.8106 (8) Å $\beta = 105.482 \ (4)^{\circ}$ V = 5607.5 (5) Å³ Z = 8 $D_x = 1.304 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Data collection Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer $\omega/2\theta$ scans Absorption correction: empirical $T_{\rm min} = 0.8333, T_{\rm max} =$ 0.8774

6273 measured reflections 6095 independent reflections 4121 observed reflections

 $[I_{\text{net}} > 3.0\sigma(I_{\text{net}})]$

Refinement

Fe1 01*A* C11A C12A C13A C14A C15A ClA C21A C22A C23A C24A C25A C26A C31A C32A C33A C34A

C35A

C36A

 $\Delta \rho_{\rm max}$ = 0.21 e Å⁻³ Refinement on F $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.28 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$ Final R = 0.036Extinction correction: Larson wR = 0.049(1970)S = 1.37Extinction coefficient: 4121 reflections 4275 (1274) 354 parameters Atomic scattering factors C—H, 0.95 Å riding; O—H from International Tables from Δ maps for X-ray Crystallogra $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F) + 0.0006F^2]$ phy (1974, Vol. IV, Table 2.2B) $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.007$

Table 3. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic thermal parameters $(Å^2)$ for (III)

Mo $K\alpha$ radiation

Cell parameters from 25

 $0.75 \times 0.60 \times 0.60$ mm

 $\lambda = 0.70930 \text{ Å}$

reflections

 $\mu = 0.57 \text{ mm}^{-1}$

T = 293 K

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.018$

 $k = 0 \rightarrow 29$

 $l = 0 \rightarrow 23$

 $\theta_{\rm max}$ = 26.91°

 $h = -16 \rightarrow 16$

3 standard reflections

frequency: 120 min

intensity variation: -2.0%

Block

Orange

 $\theta = 10.00 - 25.00^{\circ}$

$U_{\text{eq}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i} \sum_{j} U_{ij} a_i^* a_i^* \mathbf{a}_i \cdot \mathbf{a}_j.$

x	у	z	U_{ea}
0.00000	0.365480 (18)	0.25000	0.0349 (3)
0.05084 (15)	0.22975 (7)	0.19629 (9)	0.0535 (10)
-0.10339 (17)	0.32652 (10)	0.16306 (12)	0.0418 (11)
-0.13097 (19)	0.38478 (11)	0.16821 (13)	0.0500 (13)
-0.04583 (22)	0.41897 (10)	0.16176 (13)	0.0514 (15)
0.03433 (19)	0.38204 (10)	0.15238 (12)	0.0437 (13)
-0.00073 (17)	0.32427 (9)	0.15342 (11)	0.0366 (11)
0.05253 (17)	0.26957 (9)	0.13895 (11)	0.0373 (11)
0.16569 (18)	0.28055 (10)	0.13846 (13)	0.0443 (13)
0.24542 (22)	0.27318 (16)	0.20168 (16)	0.0765 (21)
0.3482 (3)	0.28287 (20)	0.20081 (23)	0.106 (3)
0.3722 (3)	0.29949 (18)	0.1378 (3)	0.093 (3)
0.2946 (3)	0.30684 (17)	0.07551 (21)	0.0865 (24)
0.19089 (22)	0.29750 (15)	0.07545 (16)	0.0692 (19)
-0.00877 (18)	0.24281 (10)	0.06505 (12)	0.0438 (12)
0.00569 (25)	0.18546 (12)	0.05098 (15)	0.0620 (16)
-0.0491 (3)	0.16084 (14)	-0.01549 (20)	0.0816 (24)
-0.1161 (3)	0.19305 (21)	-0.06793 (20)	0.094 (3)
-0.1293 (3)	0.24931 (21)	-0.05547 (18)	0.106 (3)
-0.0761(3)	0.27397 (15)	0.01084 (16)	0.0783 (19)

Fe2	0.00000	-0.027433 (21)	0.25000	0.0525 (3)
O1 <i>B</i>	0.08988 (15)	0.11400 (7)	0.22158 (11)	0.0653 (12)
C11B	0.01329 (23)	0.00908 (13)	0.15451 (15)	0.0599 (16)
C12B	-0.0127 (3)	-0.04931 (15)	0.14299 (19)	0.0785 (22)
C13B	0.0677 (3)	-0.08152 (13)	0.19150 (21)	0.0784 (23)
C14B	0.14239 (22)	-0.04303 (11)	0.23306 (16)	0.0598 (17)
C15B	0.10919 (20)	0.01393 (10)	0.21042 (13)	0.0484 (13)
C1 <i>B</i>	0.16801 (19)	0.06976 (10)	0.23244 (14)	0.0501 (14)
C21B	0.23284 (20)	0.06863 (11)	0.31259 (15)	0.0521 (14)
C22B	0.20595 (22)	0.10055 (13)	0.36652 (18)	0.0661 (18)
C23B	0.2655 (3)	0.09817 (17)	0.43950 (20)	0.0885 (25)
C24B	0.3519 (3)	0.06354 (19)	0.45919 (19)	0.093 (3)
C25B	0.3808 (3)	0.03205 (16)	0.40646 (19)	0.0839 (21)
C26B	0.32353 (23)	0.03484 (13)	0.33397 (16)	0.0660 (17)
C31 <i>B</i>	0.23728 (23)	0.08194 (12)	0.18059 (17)	0.0629 (18)
C32B	0.3100 (4)	0.12464 (18)	0.1970 (3)	0.111 (3)
C33B	0.3743 (5)	0.1361 (3)	0.1509 (4)	0.147 (5)
C34B	0.3656 (5)	0.1055 (3)	0.0884 (4)	0.134 (5)
C35B	0.2932 (5)	0.0644 (3)	0.0711 (3)	0.132 (4)
C36B	0.2293 (3)	0.05215 (18)	0.11698 (22)	0.099 (3)
HOA1	0.035	0.235	0.224	0.0642
HOA2	0.069	0.206	0.194	0.0642
HOB1	0.045	0.108	0.231	0.0770
HO B 2	0.104	0.142	0.212	0.0770

Table 4. Summary of dimension ranges (Å, °) for (I)-(III)

	(I)	(II)	(III)
Fe-C _{cp}	2.029(4)-2.053(3)	2.037(2)-2.057(2)	2.033(3)-2.052(2)
Mean	2.043(3)	2.048(2)	2.040(3)
$C_{cp} - C_{cp}$	1.406(4)-1.425(3)	1.388(3)-1.430(2)	1.405(5)-1.426(3)
Mean	1.419(3)	1.414(3)	1.418(4)
$C_{cp} - Csp^3$	1.515(3)	1.517(2)	1.516(3), 1.517(3)
Csp ³ -Csp ³	1.518(3)	_	—
$C_{ar} - Csp^3$	1.526(3)	1.533(2)-1.534(2)	1.524(3)-1.543(3)
Csp ³ -O	1.441(3)	1.439(2)	1.427(3)-1.438(3)
Car-Car	1.362(4)-1.389(3)	1.363(4)-1.398(2)	1.334(10)-1.405(4)
Mean	1.380(3)	1.384(3)	1.374(6)
$O-C-Csp^3$	108.69(17)		-
O-C-Car	109.46(17)	105.1(1), 110.4(1)	106.0(2)-107.9(2)
O-C-C _{cp}	106.83(17)	109.9(1)	107.9(2),110.4(2)

1-Ferrocenyl-1-phenylethanol (I) was obtained from the reaction of acetylferrocene with phenyllithium, and crystals were grown by slow evaporation of a solution in CH_2Cl_2 . Ferrocenyl(diphenyl)methanol (II) was obtained from the reaction of benzoylferrocene with phenyllithium; crystals were obtained by slow evaporation of a solution in CH_2Cl_2 . Ferrocene-1,1'-diylbis(diphenylmethanol) (III) was obtained from the reaction of 1,1'-dibenzoylferrocene with phenyllithium; crystals were grown by slow evaporation of a solution in dichloromethane/petroleum (b.p. 313-333 K).

Data collection and cell refinement: Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 software. Data reduction, program used to solve and refine structure, software used to prepare material for publication: *NRCVAX* (Gabe, Le Page, Charland, Lee & White, 1989).

The space group for (I) was determined unambiguously from the systematic absences (h0l absent if h+l = 2n+1, 0k0 absent if k = 2n+1) as $P2_1/n$. Molecule (II) crystallized in the triclinic system; space group $P\overline{1}$ was assumed and confirmed by the analysis. The systematic absences for (III) (hkl absent if h+k = 2n+1, h0l absent if l = 2n+1) allow the space group to be either C2/cor Cc; the former was assumed and confirmed by the analysis. In molecule (I) it was clear from early difference maps that the unsubstituted C_5 ring was disordered over two sites; occupancies of 0.87 and 0.13 were estimated from Fourier and difference Fourier maps. In all three structures, the H atoms attached to the C atoms were clearly visible in difference maps [except for the minor C_5 ring of (I)]; they were positioned geometrically (C— H 0.95 Å) and included as riding atoms in the structure factor

calculations. The hydroxyl H atoms [disordered equally in (III) over two sites] were included in the structure factor calculations at the positions obtained from difference maps. The *ORTEP* diagrams were prepared using *ORTEP*II (Johnson, 1976).

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Structure of Dimethyl 9-Methyl-9,10dihydro-9,10-ethenoanthracene-11,12dicarboxylate

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Abstract

There are two molecules per asymmetric unit and the two ester groups have different orientations in each of them; the C=C-C=O torsion angles are 1.9 and $2.4(6)^{\circ}$ for the groups remote from and 91.7 and $-91.4(5)^{\circ}$ for the

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