# Condensation of Free Volume in Structures of Nematic and Hexatic Liquid Crystals 

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### 1.1. General Techniques

Miscellaneous solvents were purchased from Fisher Scientific dried by sequential percolation through columns of activated alumina and copper Q5 catalyst prior to use. Chemical intermediates were obtained from commercial suppliers and used without further purification. Reactions were monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC) using an appropriate solvent system. Silica coated aluminium TLC plates used were purchased from Merck (Kieselgel $60 \mathrm{~F}-254$ ) and visualised using UV light at wavelengths of both 254 nm and 365 nm . Column chromatography was performed using flash grade silica from Fluorochem (40-63 $\mu \mathrm{m}$ particle size). Yields refer to chromatographically (HPLC) and spectroscopically ( ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}\{1 \mathrm{H}\} \mathrm{NMR}$ ) homogenous material.

### 1.2. Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR)

NMR spectra were recorded on a JEOL ECS spectrometer operating at $400 \mathrm{MHz}\left({ }^{1} \mathrm{H}\right)$ and $100.5 \mathrm{MHz}\left({ }^{(13} \mathrm{C}\left\{{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}\right\}\right)$ as solutions in deuterated chloroform.

### 1.3. Mass Spectrometry (MS)

Mass spectra were recorded on a Bruker micrOTOF MS-Agilent series 1200LC spectrometer. We thank Mr. Karl Heaton of the University of York for acquiring MS data.

### 1.4. High Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC)

High-performance liquid chromatography was performed on a Shimadzu Prominence modular HPLC system comprising a LC-20A quaternary solvent pump, a DGU-20A degasser, a SIL-20A autosampler, a CBM-20A communication bus, a CTO-20A column oven, and a SPO-20A dual wavelength UV-vis detector operating at $220 / 250 \mathrm{~nm}$. The column used was an Allech C18 bonded reverse-phase silica column with a $5 \mu \mathrm{~m}$ pore size,
an internal diameter of 10 mm and a length of 250 mm . In all cases the mobile phase used was neat acetonitrile, purchased from Fisher Scientific UK.

### 1.5. Polarised Optical Microscopy (POM)

Polarised optical microscopy was performed on a Zeiss Axioskop 40Pol microscope using a Mettler FP82HT hotstage controlled by a Mettler FP90 central processor. Photomicrographs were captured via an InfinityX-21 MP digital camera mounted atop the microscope.

### 1.6. Differential Scanning Calorimetry (DSC)

Differential scanning calorimetry was performed on a Mettler DSC822e fitted with an autosampler operating with Mettler Stare software and calibrated before use against an indium standard (onset $=156.55 \pm 0.2^{\circ} \mathrm{C}, \Delta \mathrm{H}=$ $28.45 \pm 0.40 \mathrm{Jg}^{-1}$ ) under an atmosphere of dry nitrogen.

### 1.7. Small Angle X-ray Scattering (SAXS)

Small angle X-ray scattering was performed using a Bruker D8 Discover equipped with a temperature controlled, bored graphite rod furnace, custom built at the University of York. The radiation used was copper Ka ( $\lambda=$ 0.154056 nm ) from a $1 \mu \mathrm{~S}$ microfocus source. A silver behenate standard was used to calibrate d-spacings and determine instrumental broadening. Diffraction patterns were recorded on a $2048 \times 2048$ pixel Bruker VANTEC 500 area detector set at a distance of 121 mm from the sample. Samples were filled into 0.9 mm O.D. capillary tubes (approx. I.D. $\sim 0.85 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) and aligned with a pair of 1 T magnets, with the field strength at the sample position being approximately 0.6 T Diffraction patterns were collected as a function of temperature and the data processed using Matlab as follows. Two-dimensional scattering patterns were collected on cooling from the isotropic liquid until crystallisation in $\sim 1.2{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ intervals. These were radially averaged ( $0.05^{\circ}$ step size) to give scattered intensity as a function of $2 \theta$ for each frame. Fitting of this integrated data with a Voigt function (in all cases $\mathrm{R}^{2}>0.99$ ) allowed the peak position and FWHM to be determined for both the small- and wide- angle peaks; the FWHM was corrected for instrumental broadening then used to determine correlation lengths parallel and perpendicular to the director. FWHM and d-spacing values were converted into $2 \theta$ allowing us to obtain domain sizes from the Scherrer equation. All data processing was carried out using custom Matlab scripts which may be made available on request from the corresponding author.

### 1.8. Computational Chemistry

Quantum chemical calculations were performed using the Gaussian 09 revision e. 01 suite of programmes. [1]

### 1.9. Single Crystal X-ray Diffraction

Single-crystal diffraction data were collected at 110 K on an Oxford Diffraction SuperNova diffractometer with Cu$\mathrm{K}_{\alpha}$ radiation ( $\lambda=1.54184 \AA$ ' using a EOS CCD camera. The crystal was cooled with an Oxford Instruments Cryojet. diffractometer control, data collection, initial unit cell determination, frame integration and unit-cell refinement was carried out with "Crysalis".[2] Face-indexed absorption corrections were applied using spherical harmonics, implemented in SCALE3 ABSPACK scaling algorithm. [3] OLEX2 [4] was used for overall structure solution, refinement and preparation of computer graphics and publication data. Within OLEX2, the algorithms used for structure solution were Superflip charge-flipping" [5] for 10 and "ShelXT dual-space" [6] for 14. Refinement by full-matrix least-squares used the SHELXL-97 [7] algorithm within OLEX2. [4] All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. Hydrogen atoms were placed using a "riding model" and included in the refinement at calculated positions. Both structures exhibited disorder of the branched alkyl chain. For 10, the 2,4,4-trimethylpentanol group was disordered and modelled in two positions with refined occupancies of $0.766: 0.234(3)$, the ADP of the disordered atom pairs were constrained to be the same. For 14 , the $3,5,5-$ trimethylhexanol group was disordered and modelled in two positions with refined occupancies of 0.731:0.269(4). The $\mathrm{C}_{22}-\mathrm{O}_{3}$ and $\mathrm{C}_{22}-\mathrm{O}_{3 \mathrm{a}}$ bond lengths were restrained to be equal, $\mathrm{C}_{22 a-}-\mathrm{C}_{23 \mathrm{a}}$ was restrained to be 1.52 angstroms and the ADP of $\mathrm{C}_{22}$ and $\mathrm{C}_{22 \mathrm{~A}}$ constrained to be equal.



## Scheme 1

### 1.2. Synthetic Details and Chemical Characterisation



## 4-(2,4,4-Trimethylpentyloxy)benzoic acid (4)

To a stirred solution of $2,4,4$-trimethylpentan- 1 -ol ( $5 \mathrm{~g}, 38.46 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), triphenyl phosphine ( $10.1 \mathrm{~g}, 38.46 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and methyl 4 -hydroxybenzoate ( $6.4 \mathrm{~g}, 42.31 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in anhydrous THF ( 125 ml ), under an atmosphere of dry nitrogen, was added neat DIAD ( $7.8 \mathrm{~g}, 7.6 \mathrm{ml}, 38.46 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) dropwise over a period of 0.5 h . The resulting solution was stirred for 6 h , and the solvent removed in vacuo. Ethanol ( 100 ml ) was added to the crude residue and the solution was heated under reflux before the addition of 4M sodium hydroxide solution ( 30 ml ). The solution was heated under reflux for 16 h , cooled to r.t. and diluted with water ( 100 ml ) and filtered. The filtrate was acidified to pH 1 with $36 \% \mathrm{HCl}$, the resulting precipitate collected by filtration and recrystallised from ethanol giving the title compound as translucent needles.

| Yield: | 7.4 g (73\%) |
| :---: | :---: |
| Melting Point: | $106.3{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) | $\begin{aligned} & 0.79(9 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{~S}), 0.88\left(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{~d}, J_{H H-H}=6.4 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 0.94-1.03(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{~m}), 1.17-1.24 \\ & (1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{~m}), 1.42-1.54(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{~m}), 1.58-1.68(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{~m}), 3.96\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, J_{\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{H}}=6.4\right) \text {, } \\ & 6.90\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, J_{H-H}=2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=2.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H H H}=8.9 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 7.80\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \text { ddd, } J_{H-H}\right. \\ & \left.=2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H H-H}=2.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.9 \mathrm{~Hz}\right) . \end{aligned}$ |
| MS M/Z (ESI+): | $273.1462\left(\mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{NaO}_{3}\right.$, cacld. for $\left.\mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{23} \mathrm{O}_{3}: 273.1461 \mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}\right)$, $251.1650\left(\mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{23} \mathrm{O}_{3}\right.$, calcd. for $\left.\mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{23} \mathrm{O}_{3}: 251.1642, \mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}\right)$ |
| FT-IR (v max, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ) : | $\begin{aligned} & 547,640,771,840,941,1026,1118,1157,1249,1296,1427,1604,1674, \\ & 2553,2669,2826,2947 \end{aligned}$ |



4-(3,5,5-Trimethylhexyloxy)benzoic acid (5)
Quantities used: $3,5,5-$ Trimethylhexan-1-ol ( $15 \mathrm{~g}, 18.2 \mathrm{ml}, 0.113 \mathrm{~mol}$ ), methyl 4 -hydroxybenzoate ( $17 \mathrm{~g}, 0.112$ $\mathrm{mol}), \mathrm{PPh}_{3}(27.9 \mathrm{~g}, 0.106 \mathrm{~mol}), \mathrm{DIAD}(21.5 \mathrm{~g}, 0.106 \mathrm{~mol})$, THF ( 200 ml ), then aqueous 4M $\mathrm{NaOH}(100 \mathrm{ml}), \mathrm{EtOH}$ $(300 \mathrm{ml})$. The experimental procedure was as described in the synthesis of compound 4 , giving the title compound as white plates.

Yield:
19.7 g (76\%)

Melting Point:
1H NMR ( 400 MHz , DMSO-D6):
$0.79(9 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}), 0.88\left(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{J}_{H-H}=6.4 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 0.94-1.03(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m} \mathrm{Hz}), 1.17-1.24$ $(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.42-1.54(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{M}), 1.58-1.68(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 3.96\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{H}}=6.4 \mathrm{~Hz}\right)$, $6.90\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, \mathrm{J}_{H-H}=2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, \mathrm{~J}_{H-H}=2.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.9 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 7.80\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, J_{H-H}\right.$ $\left.=2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, \mathrm{~J}_{H-H}=2.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, \mathrm{~J}_{H-H}=8.9 \mathrm{~Hz}\right)$

MS M/Z (ESI+):
$287.1609\left(\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{24} \mathrm{NaO}_{3}\right.$, calcd. for $\left.\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{24} \mathrm{NaO}_{3}: 287.1618, \mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}\right)$, $265.1787\left(\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{25} \mathrm{O}_{3}\right.$, calcd. for $\left.\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{25} \mathrm{O}_{3}: 265.1798, \mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}\right)$

FT-IR (v max, cm-1): $\quad 503,553,632,650,693,763,771,827,844,889,943,968,997,1012$, 1053, 1109, 1128, 1166, 1201, 1251, 1296, 1321, 1363, 1390, 1429, 1473, 1514, 1579, 1604, 1674, 2868, 2895, 2953


## 4-(4-Ethylcyclohexyl)phenyl 4-((2,4,4-trimethylpentyl)oxy)benzoate (10)

Compound 4 ( $400 \mathrm{mg}, 1.6 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), compound 6 ( $391 \mathrm{mg}, 1.92 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), EDAC ( $367 \mathrm{mg}, 1.92 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), DMAP (10 $\mathrm{mg}, 82 \mu \mathrm{~mol})$ were dissolved into dry DCM $(4 \mathrm{ml})$ in an oven dried vial, and the resulting solution stirred for 16 h . The crude material was purified by flash chromatography with DCM as the eluent and recrystallised from ethanol/THF (10:1) to give the title compound as white needles.

Yield:
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H} \operatorname{NMR}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ :
0.47 g (67\%)
$0.81-1.42(22 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.77-1.87(4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.89-2.01(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.41(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{tt}$, $\left.J_{H-H}=3.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=12.4 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 3.66\left(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, J_{H-H}=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.9 \mathrm{~Hz}\right)$, $3.77\left(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, J_{H-H}=5.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.9 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 6.87\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, J_{H-H}=1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}\right.$ $\left.=2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.9 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 7.02\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, J_{H-H}=2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=\right.$ $8.5 \mathrm{~Hz}), 7.17\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, J_{H-H}=2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.5 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 8.06(2 \mathrm{H}$, ddd, $\left.J_{H-H}=1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.9 \mathrm{~Hz}\right)$
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}\left\{{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}\right\}$ NMR (100.5 MHz, CDCl 3 ): 11.53, 19.93, 29.50, 29.85, 29.95, 33.12, 34.37, 39.03, 44.07, 47.28, 74.34, 114.23, 121.36, 121.65, 127.70, 132.19, 145.21, 148.94, 163.51, 165.12

MS M/Z (ESI+):

FT-IR (v max, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ):
$516,542,605,630,659,690,763,802,844,877,939,968,1004,1074$, $1105,1166,1201,1257,1317,1446,1465,1510,1604,1720,2848,2870$, 2891, 2918, 2953.

Assay (RP-HPLC): 99.3\%


## 4-(4-Propylcyclohexyl)phenyl 4-((2,4,4-trimethylpentyl)oxy)benzoate (11)

Quantities used: 4 ( $400 \mathrm{mg}, 1.6 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), compound 7 ( $418 \mathrm{mg}, 1.92 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), EDAC ( $367 \mathrm{mg}, 1.92 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), DMAP $(10 \mathrm{mg}, 82 \mu \mathrm{~mol}), \mathrm{DCM}(4 \mathrm{ml})$. The experimental procedure was as described in the synthesis of compound 10. The crude material was purified by flash chromatography with DCM as the eluent and recrystallised from ethanol/THF (17:1) to give the title compound as white needles.

Yield:
$0.38 \mathrm{~g}(52 \%)$
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H} \operatorname{NMR}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ :
$0.82\left(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{H}}=7.0 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 0.86(9 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}), 0.89-1.41(12 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.75-1.87$ $(4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.89-2.01(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.40\left(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{tt}, J_{H-H}=3.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=12.2 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 3.65$ $\left(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, J_{H-H}=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=9.2 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 3.77\left(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, J_{H-H}=5.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H H H}=8.9\right.$ $\mathrm{Hz}), 6.87\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, \mathrm{J}_{H-H}=2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=2.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, \mathrm{~J}_{H-H}=8.9 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 7.03(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}$, $\left.J_{H-H}=2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.9 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 7.16\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, J_{H-H}=2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}\right.$ $\left.=2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.9 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 8.05\left(2 \mathrm{H}\right.$, ddd, $J_{H-H}=2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=2.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=$ 8.9 Hz )
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}\left\{{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}\right\} \mathrm{NMR}\left(100.5 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 14.40,19.92,20.01,29.50,29.85,30.96,33.51,34.38,36.96,39.68,44.06$, $47.28,74.34,114.22,121.36,121.65,127.69,132.19,145.21,148.93$, 163.51, 165.11

MS M/Z (ESI+):
$489.2758\left(\mathrm{C}_{30} \mathrm{H}_{42} \mathrm{KO}_{3}\right.$, calcd. for $\left.\mathrm{C}_{30} \mathrm{H}_{42} \mathrm{KO}_{3}: 489.2766, \mathrm{M}+\mathrm{K}\right)$ $473.3020\left(\mathrm{C}_{30} \mathrm{H}_{42} \mathrm{NaO}_{3}\right.$, cacld. for $\left.\mathrm{C}_{30} \mathrm{H}_{42} \mathrm{NaO}_{3}: 473.3026, \mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}\right)$

FT-IR (v max, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $\quad 513,536,605,632,661,692,763,800,842,875,970,1012,1026,7076$, $1165,1205,1251,1313,1363,1446,1467,1510,1602,1720,2848,2891$, 2954.

Assay (RP-HPLC): 99.9\%


## 4-(4-Butylcyclohexyl)phenyl 4-((2,4,4-trimethylpentyl)oxy)benzoate (12)

Quantities used: 4 ( $400 \mathrm{mg}, 1.6 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), compound $8(445 \mathrm{mg}, 1.92 \mathrm{mmol})$, EDAC ( $367 \mathrm{mg}, 1.92 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), DMAP $(10 \mathrm{mg}, 82 \mu \mathrm{~mol}), \mathrm{DCM}(4 \mathrm{ml})$. The experimental procedure was as described in the synthesis of compound 10. The crude material was purified by flash chromatography with DCM as the eluent and recrystallised from ethanol/THF (15:1) to give the title compound as white needles.

Yield:
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ):
$0.26 \mathrm{~g}(35 \%)$
$0.80-1.42(26 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.76-1.88(4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.90-2.00(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.41(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{tt}$, $\left.J_{H-H}=3.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=12.4 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 3.66\left(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, J_{H-H}=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=9.2 \mathrm{~Hz}\right)$, $3.77\left(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, J_{H-H}=6.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=9.2 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 6.88\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, J_{H-H}=1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}\right.$ $\left.=3.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.9 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 7.03\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, \mathrm{J}_{H-H}=2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=2.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=\right.$ $8.5 \mathrm{~Hz}), 7.18\left(2 \mathrm{H}\right.$, ddd, $\left.J_{H-H}=2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=2.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.5 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 8.05(2 \mathrm{H}$, ddd, $\left.J_{H-H}=1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=3.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.9 \mathrm{~Hz}\right)$
${ }^{13}{ }^{1}\left\{{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}\right\} \mathrm{NMR}\left(100.5 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 14.16,19.93,23.00,29.22,29.51,29.86,30.97,33.56,34.40,37.08,37.24$, $44.07,47.29,74.35,114.23,121.36,121.65,127.70,132.19,145.23$, 148.94, 163.51, 165.12

MS M/Z (ESI+): $\quad 487.3168\left(\mathrm{C}_{3} 1 \mathrm{H}_{44} \mathrm{NaO}_{3}\right.$, cacld. for $\left.\mathrm{C}_{31} \mathrm{H}_{44} \mathrm{NaO}_{3}: 487.6792, \mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}\right)$ $465.3353\left(\mathrm{C}_{31} \mathrm{H}_{45} \mathrm{O}_{3}\right.$, cacld. for $\left.\mathrm{C}_{31} \mathrm{H}_{45} \mathrm{O}_{3}: 465.6975, \mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}\right)$

FT-IR (v max, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $\quad 511,538,607,632,661,692,763,800,846,877,975,1016,1066,1165$, $1195,1253,1317,1361,1465,1510,1602,1724,2852,2918,2954$.

Assay (RP-HPLC): 99.9\%


## 4-(4-Pentylcyclohexyl)phenyl 4-((2,4,4-trimethylpentyl)oxy)benzoate (13)

Quantities used: 4 ( $400 \mathrm{mg}, 1.6 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), compound 9 ( $472 \mathrm{mg}, 1.92 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), EDAC ( $367 \mathrm{mg}, 1.92 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), DMAP $(10 \mathrm{mg}, 82 \mu \mathrm{~mol}), \mathrm{DCM}(4 \mathrm{ml})$. The experimental procedure was as described in the synthesis of compound 10. The crude material was purified by flash chromatography with DCM as the eluent and recrystallised from ethanol/THF (15:1) to give the title compound as white needles.

Yield:
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ):
$0.66 \mathrm{~g}(87 \%)$
$0.80-1.42(28 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.75-1.87(4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.89-2.00(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.40(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{tt}$, $\left.J_{H-H}=3.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=12.1 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 3.65\left(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, J_{H-H}=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.9 \mathrm{~Hz}\right)$, 3.75 ( $1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, J_{H-H}=6.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.9 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ), $6.87\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, J_{H-H}=2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}\right.$ $\left.=2.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.9 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 7.02\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, \mathrm{J}_{H-H}=1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=2.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=\right.$ $8.5 \mathrm{~Hz}), 7.18\left(2 \mathrm{H}\right.$, ddd, $\left.J_{H-H}=1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=2.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.5 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 8.06(2 \mathrm{H}$, ddd, $\left.J_{H-H}=2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=2.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.9 \mathrm{~Hz}\right)$
${ }^{13}{ }^{1}\left\{{ }^{\prime} \mathrm{H}\right\}$ NMR ( $100.5 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 14.12, 19.92, 22.70, 26.63, 29.50, 29.86, 30.96, 32.19, 33.56, 34.40, 37.26, $37.35,44.07,47.29,74.34,114.23,121.36,121.65,127.69,132.19,145.21$, 148.94, 163.51, 165.10

MS M/Z (ESI+): $\quad 501.3320\left(\mathrm{C}_{32} \mathrm{H}_{46} \mathrm{NaO}_{3}\right.$, cacld. for $\left.\mathrm{C}_{32} \mathrm{H}_{46} \mathrm{NaO}_{3}: 501.3339, \mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}\right)$ $479.3515\left(\mathrm{C}_{32} \mathrm{H}_{47} \mathrm{O}_{3}\right.$, cacld. for $\left.\mathrm{C}_{32} \mathrm{H}_{47} \mathrm{O}_{3}: 479.7245, \mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}\right)$

FT-IR (v max, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $\quad 538,607,632,692,763,800,846,877,1016,1066,1165,1195,1253$, 1317, 1361, 1465, 1510, 1602, 1724, 2852, 2954.

Assay (RP-HPLC): 99.9\%


4-(4-Ethylcyclohexyl)phenyl 4-((3,5,5-trimethylhexyl)oxy)benzoate (14)
Quantities used: 5 ( $200 \mathrm{mg}, 0.77 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), compound 6 ( $160 \mathrm{mg}, 0.77 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), EDAC ( $170 \mathrm{mg}, 0.92 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), DMAP $(10 \mathrm{mg}, 82 \mu \mathrm{~mol})$, $\mathrm{DCM}(4 \mathrm{ml})$. The experimental procedure was as described in the synthesis of compound 10. The crude material was purified by flash chromatography with DCM as the eluent and recrystallised from ethanol/THF (15:1) to give the title compound as white needles.

Yield: $\quad 300 \mathrm{mg}(87 \%)$
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\quad 0.90(9 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}), 0.99\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{J}_{H-H}=6.7 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 1.31-1.01(5 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.54-1.38$ $(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.66\left(1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, quint, $\left.J_{H-H}=6.4 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 1.94-1.71(6 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.48\left(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{tt}, \mathrm{J}_{H-H}\right.$ $\left.=3.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, \mathrm{~J}_{H-H}=12.2 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 4.05\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}_{H-H}=6.4 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 6.96\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, \mathrm{J}_{H-H}=2.1\right.$ $\left.H z, J_{H-H}=2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.9 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 7.09\left(2 \mathrm{H}\right.$, ddd, $\mathrm{J}_{H-H}=1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $\left.J_{H-H}=8.5 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 7.23\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, J_{H-H}=1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.5 \mathrm{~Hz}\right)$, $8.12\left(2 \mathrm{H}\right.$, ddd, $\left.J_{H-H}=2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.9 \mathrm{~Hz}\right)$
${ }^{13} C\left\{{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}\right\} \mathrm{NMR}\left(100.5 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \quad 11.53,22.76,26.08,29.92,29.95,31.13,33.12,34.36,38.25,39.02,44.07$, $51.02,66.52,114.20,121.35,121.67,127.70,132.20,145.22,148.93$, 163.38, 165.13

MS M/Z (ESI+):
$473.3019\left(\mathrm{C}_{30} \mathrm{H}_{42} \mathrm{NaO}_{3}\right.$, calcd. for $\left.\mathrm{C}_{30} \mathrm{H}_{42} \mathrm{NaO}_{3}: 473.3026, \mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}\right)$ $451.3183\left(\mathrm{C}_{30} \mathrm{H}_{43} \mathrm{O}_{3}\right.$, cacld. for $\left.\mathrm{C}_{30} \mathrm{H}_{43} \mathrm{O}_{3}: 451.6705, \mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}\right)$

FT-IR (v max, cm¹): $\quad 501,540,601,655,763,972,1072,1165,1257,1465,1512,1581,1604$, 1728, 2846, 2908, 2954

Assay (RP-HPLC): 98.6\%


## 4-(4-Propylcyclohexyl)phenyl 4-((3,5,5-trimethylhexyl)oxy)benzoate (15)

Quantities used: 5 ( $200 \mathrm{mg}, 0.77 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), compound 7 ( $160 \mathrm{mg}, 0.77 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), EDAC ( $170 \mathrm{mg}, 0.92 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), DMAP $(10 \mathrm{mg}, 82 \mu \mathrm{~mol})$, $\mathrm{DCM}(4 \mathrm{ml})$. The experimental procedure was as described in the synthesis of compound 10. The crude material was purified by flash chromatography with DCM as the eluent and recrystallised from ethanol/THF (15:1) to give the title compound as white needles.

Yield: $\quad 320 \mathrm{mg}(89 \%)$

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\begin{array}{ll}
\left.{ }^{1} \mathrm{H} \text { NMR ( } 400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): & 0.93-0.85(12 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{~m}), 0.99\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{~d}, J_{H-H}=6.6 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 1.54-1.02(5 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{~m}), 1.93- \\
& 1.60(7 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{~m}), 2.47\left(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{tt}, J_{H-H}=3.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H H}=12.1 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 4.05\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, J_{H-H}=\right. \\
& 6.6 \mathrm{~Hz} \mathrm{~Hz}), 6.95\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, J_{H-H}=1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=2.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.8 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 7.09 \\
& \left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, J_{H-H}=1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.5 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 7.23\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, J_{H-H}=\right. \\
& \left.1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H H H}=2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.5 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 8.12\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, J_{H-H}=1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=2.8\right. \\
& \left.\mathrm{Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.8 \mathrm{~Hz}\right) .
\end{array}
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${ }^{13}$ C $\{1 \mathrm{H}\}$ NMR ( $100.5 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $14.40,20.01,22.76,26.08,29.92,31.13,33.52,34.39,36.96,38.25,39.68$, $44.07,51.02,66.52,114.19,121.36,121.68,127.70,132.20,145.23$, 148.93, 163.38, 165.12

MS M/Z (ESI+):
$465.3379\left(\mathrm{C}_{30} \mathrm{H}_{45} \mathrm{O}_{3}\right.$, cacld. for $\left.\mathrm{C}_{30} \mathrm{H}_{45} \mathrm{O}_{3}: 465.3363, \mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}\right)$
FT-IR (v max, cm¹): $\quad 540,609,655,686,763,848,972,1010,1072,1165,1195,1257,1465$, 1512, 1581, 1604, 1720, 2846, 2916

Assay (RP-HPLC): 99.7\%


## 4-(4-Buttylcyclohexyl)phenyl 4-((3,5,5-trimethylhexyl)oxy)benzoate (16)

Quantities used: 5 ( $200 \mathrm{mg}, 0.77 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), compound 8 ( $170 \mathrm{mg}, 0.77 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), EDAC ( $170 \mathrm{mg}, 0.92 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), DMAP ( $10 \mathrm{mg}, 82 \mu \mathrm{~mol}$ ), DCM ( 4 ml ). The experimental procedure was as described in the synthesis of compound 10. The crude material was purified by flash chromatography with DCM as the eluent and recrystallised from ethanol/THF (14:1) to give the title compound as white needles.

Yield:
310 mg (84\%)
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ):
$0.99\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{J}_{H-H}=6.6 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 0.89(12 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}), 1.11\left(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{J}_{H-H}=5.5\right), 1.14(1 \mathrm{H}$, d, $\left.J_{H-H}=5.9 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 1.32-1.20(8 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.54-1.37(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 1.65(1 \mathrm{H}$, quint, $\left.J_{H-H}=6.6 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 1.93-1.70(6 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.52-2.42\left(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{tt}, J_{H-H}=2.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=\right.$ $12.2 \mathrm{~Hz}), 4.05\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, J_{H-H}=6.6 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 6.96\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, J_{H-H}=2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=2.4\right.$ $\left.\mathrm{Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.8 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 7.09\left(2 \mathrm{H}\right.$, ddd, $\left.J_{H-H}=2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.5 \mathrm{~Hz}\right)$, $7.23\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd} J_{H-H}=2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.8 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 8.12\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, J_{H-H}\right.$ $=2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, \mathrm{~J}_{H-H}=2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, \mathrm{~J}_{H-H}=8.8 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ).
${ }^{13}{ }^{[ }\left\{{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}\right\}$ NMR ( $100.5 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 14.16, 22.76, 23.00, 26.08, 29.22, 29.92, 31.13, 33.56, 34.40, 37.08, 37.24, $38.25,44.07,51.02,66.52,114.20,121.36,121.67,127.70,132.20,145.23$, 148.93, 163.38, 165.12

MS M/Z (ESI+): $\quad 479.2757\left(\mathrm{C}_{30} \mathrm{H}_{47} \mathrm{O}_{3}\right.$, cacld. for $\left.\mathrm{C}_{30} \mathrm{H}_{47} \mathrm{O}_{3}: 479.7245, \mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}\right)$
FT-IR (v max, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $\quad 501,540,663,686,763,810,848,871,1010,1072,1165,1195,1257$, 1465, 1512, 1604, 1720, 2846, 2916

Assay (RP-HPLC): 98.1\%


## 4-(4-Pentylcyclohexyl)phenyl 4-((3,5,5-trimethylhexyl)oxy)benzoate (17)

Quantities used: 5 ( $400 \mathrm{mg}, 1.6 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), compound 9 ( $377 \mathrm{mg}, 1.6 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), EDAC ( $367 \mathrm{mg}, 1.92 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), DMAP ( 10 $\mathrm{mg}, 82 \mu \mathrm{~mol})$, $\mathrm{DCM}(4 \mathrm{ml})$. The experimental procedure was as described in the synthesis of compound 10 . The crude material was purified by flash chromatography with DCM as the eluent and recrystallised from ethanol/THF (15:1) to give the title compound as white needles.

Yield: $\quad 0.55 \mathrm{~g}(70 \%)$
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ):
$0.77-1.90(35 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), 2.41\left(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{tt}, J_{H-H}=3.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, \mathrm{~J}_{H-H}=12.2 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 3.98(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}$, $\left.J_{H-H}=7.0 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 6.89\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, J_{H-H}=1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=2.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=9.2 \mathrm{~Hz}\right)$, $7.03\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, J_{H-H}=2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, \mathrm{~J}_{H-H}=2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.8 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 7.17\left(2 \mathrm{H}\right.$, ddd $\mathrm{J}_{H-H}$ $\left.=2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=8.8 \mathrm{~Hz}\right), 8.06\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, J_{H-H}=1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, J_{H-H}=\right.$ $2.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, \mathrm{~J}_{\mathrm{H}-\boldsymbol{H}}=9.2 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ).
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}\left\{{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}\right\} \mathrm{NMR}\left(100.5 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): ~ 14.12,22.70,22.76,26.07,26.63,29.91,31.12,32.19,33.55,34.39,37.25$, $37.35,38.25,44.06,51.01,66.51,114.19,121.35,121.67,127.68,132.19$, 145.21, 148.93, 163.38, 165.10

MS M/Z (ESI+):
$515.3480\left(\mathrm{C}_{33} \mathrm{H}_{48} \mathrm{NaO}_{3}\right.$, calcd. for $\left.\mathrm{C}_{33} \mathrm{H}_{48} \mathrm{NaO}_{3}: 515.3496, \mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}\right)$, $493.3657\left(\mathrm{C}_{33} \mathrm{H}_{49} \mathrm{O}_{3}\right.$, calcd. for $\left.\mathrm{C}_{33} \mathrm{H}_{49} \mathrm{O}_{3}: 493.3676, \mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}\right)$

FT-IR (v max, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): $\quad 501,663,686,763,810,848,1010,1072,1165,1195,1257,1465,1512$, 1604, 1720, 2846, 2916

Assay (RP-HPLC): 99.9\%

## 2. Supplimental Figures

### 2.1. Supplemental SAXS Data



Figure SI-1: The nematic phase of compound 13 as studied by SAXS. (a-g), evolution of the small-angle scattering peak for a magnetically aligned sample of 13 as a function of the indicated reduced temperartures, and (h) plot of integrated diffraction intensity for the small angle peak as a function of the angle $x$ for compound 13 at three different reduced temperatures.

### 2.2. Supplemental Single Crystal X-ray Diffraction Data



Figure SI-2: Thermal elipsoid model ( $50 \%$ probability level) of the structure of (a) compound 10 and (b) compound 14 obtained by X-ray diffraction on single crystals grown from neat ethanol with a thermal gradient. For 10 the angle between the plane of the two phenyl rings is $58.76(9)^{\circ}$, and for 14 it is $58.18(2)^{\circ}$. For 10 the plane of the major form of the bulky end group (mean of 25 atoms) is at an angle of $84.59(6)^{\circ}$ from the plane of the mesogenic unit (mean of 46 atoms) while for 14 the end group (mean of 28 atoms) is at an angle of $80.96(6)^{\circ}$ from the plane of the mesogenic unit (mean of 46 atoms).
2.3.

Supplemental Mixture Data


Figure SI-3: Transiton temperatures $\left({ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ of binary mixtures of $\mathbf{1 7}$ with bis decylterephthalaniline (TBDA)

### 2.2. Supplemental XRD data

### 2.2.1. Structure 10



Table 1 Crystal data and structure refinement for 10.

| Identification code | jwg1609 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Empirical formula | $\mathrm{C}_{29} \mathrm{H}_{40} \mathrm{O}_{3}$ |
| Formula weight | 436.61 |
| Temperature/K | $109.9(2)$ |

Crystal system monoclinic

Space group $\quad \mathrm{P} 2_{1} / \mathrm{c}$
a/Å
16.7608(8)
b/Å 5.5364(2)
c/Å 28.2495(12)
a/ ${ }^{\circ} \quad 90$
$\beta 1^{\circ} \quad 106.554(5)$
$\mathrm{y}^{\circ} \quad 90$
Volume/Å ${ }^{3} \quad 2512.7(2)$
Z
$\rho_{\text {calgg }} / \mathrm{cm}^{3} \quad 1.154$
$\mu / \mathrm{mm}^{-1} \quad 0.564$
F(000) 952.0
Crystal size $/ \mathrm{mm}^{3} \quad 0.251 \times 0.075 \times 0.046$
Radiation $\quad \operatorname{CuKa}(\lambda=1.54184)$
$2 \theta$ range for data collection $/{ }^{\circ} 7.242$ to 142.068

| Index ranges | $-15 \leq \mathrm{h} \leq 20,-6 \leq \mathrm{k} \leq 5,-34 \leq \mathrm{l} \leq 34$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Reflections collected | 10843 |
| Independent reflections | $4772\left[\mathrm{R}_{\text {int }}=0.0504, \mathrm{R}_{\text {sigma }}=0.0493\right]$ |
| Data/restraints/parameters | $4772 / 0 / 306$ |
| Goodness-of-fit on $\mathrm{F}^{2}$ | 1.056 |
| Final R indexes [l>=2 $\sigma(\mathrm{I})]$ | $\mathrm{R}_{1}=0.0743, \mathrm{wR}_{2}=0.1900$ |
| Final R indexes [all data] | $\mathrm{R}_{1}=0.0951, \mathrm{wR}_{2}=0.2121$ |
| Largest diff. peak/hole /e $\AA^{-3} 0.35 /-0.37$ |  |

## Table 2 Bond Lengths for 10.

| Atom Atom Length/Å |  |  | Atom Atom Length/Å |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 01 | C12 | 1.413(2) | C16 | C21 | 1.387(3) |
| 01 | C15 | 1.366(3) | C17 | C18 | 1.380(3) |
| 02 | C15 | 1.203(3) | C18 | C19 | 1.384(3) |
| C1 | C2 | 1.512(4) | C19 | C20 | 1.390(3) |
| C2 | C3 | 1.520(3) | C19 | 03 | 1.359(4) |
| C3 | C4 | 1.519(3) | C19 | O3A | 1.425(12) |
| C3 | C8 | 1.527(3) | C20 | C21 | 1.388(3) |
| C4 | C5 | 1.532(3) | C25 | C26 | $1.511(4)$ |
| C5 | C6 | 1.532(3) | C25 | C27 | $1.521(4)$ |
| C6 | C7 | 1.535(3) | C25 | C28 | 1.528(3) |
| C6 | C9 | 1.515(3) | C25 | C24 | 1.553(4) |
| C7 | C8 | 1.521 (3) | C25 | C24A | 1.572(10) |
| C9 | C10 | 1.386(3) | C29 | C23 | 1.541 (4) |
| C9 | C14 | 1.395(3) | C29 | C23A | 1.522(10) |


| C10 | C11 | $1.396(3)$ |  | O3 C22 | $1.440(4)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| C11 | C12 | $1.378(3)$ |  | C22 C23 | $1.516(4)$ |
| C12 | C13 | $1.374(3)$ |  | C23 C24 | $1.538(4)$ |
| C13 | C14 | $1.384(3)$ |  | O3A C22A | $1.430(14)$ |
| C15 | C16 | $1.476(3)$ |  | C22A C23A 1.527(12) |  |
| C16 | C17 | $1.396(3)$ |  | C23A C24A 1.499(15) |  |

Table 3 Bond Angles for 10.

| Atom Atom Atom Angle/ ${ }^{\circ}$ |  |  |  | Atom Atom Atom Angle ${ }^{\circ}$ |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C15 | 01 | C12 | 117.82(18) | C17 | C18 | C19 | 120.6(2) |
| C1 | C2 | C3 | 115.0(2) | C18 | C19 | C20 | 119.9(2) |
| C2 | C3 | C8 | 112.70(19) | C18 | C19 | O3A | 133.8(4) |
| C4 | C3 | C2 | 111.4(2) | C20 | C19 | O3A | 106.3(4) |
| C4 | C3 | C8 | 109.83(19) | 03 | C19 | C18 | 112.2(2) |
| C3 | C4 | C5 | 112.7(2) | 03 | C19 | C20 | 128.0(2) |
| C6 | C5 | C4 | 111.39(19) | C21 | C20 | C19 | 119.3(2) |
| C5 | C6 | C7 | 109.71(18) | C16 | C21 | C20 | 121.2(2) |
| C9 | C6 | C5 | 112.47(18) | C26 | C25 | C27 | 108.2(2) |
| C9 | C6 | C7 | 112.76(19) | C26 | C25 | C28 | 110.3(2) |
| C8 | C7 | C6 | 111.9(2) | C26 | C25 | C24 | 114.5(2) |
| C7 | C8 | C3 | 112.21(19) | C26 | C25 | C24A | 85.9(4) |
| C10 | C9 | C6 | 120.3(2) | C27 | C25 | C28 | 109.3(2) |
| C10 | C9 | C14 | 118.0(2) | C27 | C25 | C24 | 101.7(2) |
| C14 | C9 | C6 | 121.6(2) | C27 | C25 | C24A | 131.0(5) |
| C9 | C10 | C11 | 121.5(2) | C28 | C25 | C24 | 112.4(2) |
| C12 | C11 | C10 | 118.4(2) | C28 | C25 | C24A | 108.8(4) |
| C11 | C12 | 01 | 116.7(2) | C19 | 03 | C22 | 116.3(2) |
| C13 | C12 | 01 | 121.4(2) | 03 | C22 | C23 | 107.9(3) |

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C13 C12 C11 121.8(2)
C12 C13 C14 119.0(2)
C13 C14 C9 121.3(2)
O1 C15 C16 111.1(2)
O2 C15 O1 123.1(2)
O2 C15 C16 125.8(2)
C17 C16 C15 122.2(2)
C21 C16 C15 119.0(2)
C21 C16 C17 118.8(2)
C18 C17 C16 120.2(2)
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## Table 4 Torsion Angles for 10.


C5 C6 C9 C10-107.7(2)
C20 C19 O3 C22 -1.3(4)

| C5 C6 C9 C1471.3(3) | C20 | C19 | O3A | C22A | -179.1(7) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C6 C7 C8 C3 -56.3(3) | C21 | C16 | C17 | C18 | -0.3(3) |
| C6 C9 C10C11-179.0(2) | C26 | C25 | C24 | C23 | 57.4(3) |
| C6 C9 C14C13178.8(2) | C26 | C25 | C24A | C23A | -161.4(8) |
| C7 C6 C9 C10127.6(2) | C27 | C25 | C24 | C23 | 173.8(2) |
| C7 C6 C9 C14-53.4(3) | C27 | C25 |  | C23A | -50.7(10) |
| C8 C3 C4 C5 -54.6(3) | C28 | C25 | C24 | C23 | -69.5(3) |
| C9 C6 C7 C8 -178.44(18) | C28 | C25 | C24A | C23A | 88.5(8) |
| C9 $\mathrm{C} 10 \mathrm{C} 11 \mathrm{C} 120.4(3)$ | C29 | C23 | C24 | C25 | -162.0(2) |
| C10C9 C14C13-2.2(3) | C29 | C23A | C24A | C25 | 167.2(6) |
| C10C11C12O1-178.60(19) | 03 | C19 | C20 | C21 | -179.9(3) |
| C10C11-12C13-2.6(3) | 03 | C22 | C23 | C29 | -69.9(3) |
| C11C12C13C14 2.4(3) | 03 | C22 | C23 | C24 | 53.1(4) |
| C1201 C1502-3.1(3) | C22 | C23 | C24 | C25 | 74.0(3) |
| C1201 C15C16 176.91(18) | 03A | C19 | C20 | C21 | 179.6(6) |
| C12C13C14C9 0.0(3) | O3A | C22A | C23A | C29 | 69.6(11) |
| C14C9 C10C11 1.9(3) | 03A | C22A | C23A | C24A | -58.2(12) |
| C1501 C12C11-114.8(2) | C22A | C23A | C24A | C25 | -65.3(12) |

### 2.2.2. Structure 14



Table 1 Crystal data and structure refinement for 14.

| Identification code | jwg1608 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Empirical formula | $\mathrm{C}_{30} \mathrm{H}_{42} \mathrm{O}_{3}$ |
| Formula weight | 450.63 |
| Temperature/K | 110.05(10) |
| Crystal system | monoclinic |
| Space group | P2/ $/ \mathrm{n}$ |
| a/Å | 16.3302(6) |
| b/Å | 5.5649(2) |
| ClÅ | 29.6423(9) |
| $\mathrm{a} /{ }^{\circ}$ | 90 |
| $\beta /{ }^{\circ}$ | 104.367(3) |
| $\mathrm{V}^{10}$ | 90 |
| Volumelå ${ }^{3}$ | 2609.53(16) |
| Z | 4 |


| $\rho_{\text {calcg }} / \mathrm{cm}^{3}$ | 1.147 |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\mu / \mathrm{mm}^{-1}$ | 0.557 |
| $F(000)$ | 984.0 |
| Crystal size/mm ${ }^{3}$ | $0.433 \times 0.088 \times 0.038$ |
| Radiation | CuKa ( $\lambda=1.54184$ ) |
| $2 \Theta$ range for data collection/ | 9.54 to 134.106 |
| Index ranges | $-19 \leq h \leq 14,-6 \leq k \leq 6,-26 \leq 1 \leq 35$ |
| Reflections collected | 9357 |
| Independent reflections | $4663\left[\mathrm{R}_{\text {int }}=0.0319, \mathrm{R}_{\text {sigma }}=0.0346\right]$ |
| Data/restraints/parameters | 4663/2/348 |
| Goodness-of-fit on $\mathrm{F}^{2}$ | 1.087 |
| Final R indexes [l>=2 ${ }^{(l)}$ )] | $\mathrm{R}_{1}=0.0683, w \mathrm{R}_{2}=0.1701$ |
| Final R indexes [all data] | $\mathrm{R}_{1}=0.0807, \mathrm{wR}_{2}=0.1793$ |
| Largest diff. peak/hole / e $\AA^{-3}$ | 0.26/-0.38 |

## Table 2 Bond Lengths for 14

## Atom Atom Length $/ \AA$ Atom Atom Length $/ \AA$ Å

| C1 | C2 | 1.522(4) | C17 | C18 | 1.394(3) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C2 | C3 | 1.532(3) | C18 | C19 | 1.384(3) |
| C3 | C4 | 1.517(3) | C19 | C 20 | 1.390(4) |
| C3 | C8 | 1.529(3) | C19 | 03 | 1.370(3) |
| C4 | C5 | 1.525(3) | C20 | C21 | 1.374(4) |
| C5 | C6 | 1.533(3) | C22 | C23 | 1.539(8) |
| C6 | C7 | 1.530(3) | C22 | 03 | 1.457(5) |
| C6 | C9 | 1.510(3) | C22A | C23A | 1.523(18) |
| C7 | C8 | 1.524(3) | C22A | 03 | 1.439(9) |
| C9 | C10 | 1.390(3) | C23 | C24 | 1.536(6) |
| C9 | C14 | 1.397(3) | C23A | C24A | 1.505(13) |


| C10 | C11 | 1.387(3) | C24 | C25 | 1.534(5) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C11 | C12 | 1.377(3) | C24 | C30 | 1.544(5) |
| C12 | C13 | 1.374(3) | C24A | C25A | 1.534(13) |
| C12 | 01 | 1.414(3) | C24A |  | 1.535(14) |
| C13 | C14 | 1.389(3) | C25 | C26 | 1.572(5) |
| C15 | C16 | 1.479(3) | C25A |  | 1.602(9) |
| C15 | 01 | 1.362(3) | C26 | C27 | 1.520(4) |
| C15 | 02 | 1.200(3) | C26 | C28 | 1.517(4) |
| C16 | C17 | 1.383(3) | C26 | C29 | 1.516(5) |
| C16 | C21 | 1.399(3) |  |  |  |

## Table 3 Bond Angles for 14.

| Atom Atom Atom Angle ${ }^{\circ}$ |  |  |  | Atom Atom Atom Angle $/{ }^{\circ}$ |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C1 | C2 | C3 | 114.6(2) | C18 | C19 | C20 | 120.0(2) |
| C4 | C3 | C2 | 110.73(19) | 03 | C19 | C18 | 124.5(2) |
| C4 | C3 | C8 | 109.77(19) | 03 | C19 | C20 | 115.5(2) |
| C8 | C3 | C2 | 112.98(18) | C21 | C20 | C19 | 120.0(2) |
| C3 | C4 | C5 | 113.2(2) | C20 | C21 | C16 | 120.9(2) |
| C4 | C5 | C6 | 111.45(19) |  | C22 | C23 | 110.9(5) |
| C7 | C6 | C5 | 109.53(19) | 03 | C22A | C23A | 92.9(9) |
| C9 | C6 | C5 | 112.21(18) | C24 | C23 | C22 | 116.8(4) |
| C9 | C6 | C7 | 113.32(19) | C24A | C23A | C22A | 101.6(7) |
| C8 | C7 | C6 | 111.8(2) | C23 | C24 | C30 | 107.1(4) |
| C7 | C8 | C3 | 112.02(18) | C25 | C24 | C23 | 110.1(4) |
| C10 | C9 | C6 | 120.6(2) | C25 | C24 | C30 | 111.1(3) |
| C10 | C9 | C14 | 117.8(2) | C23A | C24A | C25A | 114.4(10) |
| C14 | C9 | C6 | 121.6(2) | C23A | C24A | C30A | 110.7(9) |
| C11 | C10 | C9 | 121.8(2) | C25A | C24A | C30A | 109.2(7) |


| C12 | C11 | C10 | 118.4(2) | C24 | C25 | C26 | 119.8(3) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C11 | C12 | 01 | 117.5(2) | C24A | C25A | C26 | 105.1(7) |
| C13 | C12 | C11 | 121.9(2) | C27 | C26 | C25 | 106.5(3) |
| C13 | C12 | 01 | 120.5(2) | C27 | C26 | C25A | 123.8(4) |
| C12 | C13 | C14 | 119.0(2) | C28 | C26 | C25 | 103.9(2) |
| C13 | C14 | C9 | 121.1(2) | C28 | C26 | C25A | 119.2(5) |
| 01 | C15 | C16 | 112.21(19) | C28 | C26 | C27 | 109.2(3) |
| 02 | C15 | C16 | 124.5(2) | C29 | C26 | C25 | 120.7(3) |
| 02 | C15 | 01 | 123.3(2) | C29 | C26 | C25A | 83.1(4) |
| C17 | C16 | C15 | 123.3(2) | C29 | C26 | C27 | 109.1(3) |
| C17 | C16 | C21 | 118.6(2) | C29 | C26 | C28 | 107.1(3) |
| C21 | C16 | C15 | 118.1(2) | C15 | 01 | C12 | 116.67(17) |
| C16 | C17 | C18 | 120.9(2) | C19 | 03 | C22 | 117.4(4) |
| C19 | C18 | C17 | 119.6(2) | C19 | 03 | C22A | 119.6(9) |

Table 4 Torsion Angles for 14.

| A | B | C |  | Angle ${ }^{\circ}$ | A | B | C | D | Angle ${ }^{\circ}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C1 | C2 | C3 | C4 | 176.1(2) | C17 | C18 | C19 | 03 | -179.9(2) |
| C1 | C2 | C3 | C8 | -60.3(3) | C18 | C19 | C20 | C21 | 0.2(4) |
| C2 | C3 | C4 | C5 | 179.4(2) | C18 | C19 | 03 | C22 | 5.5(4) |
| C2 | C3 | C8 | C7 | -178.4(2) | C18 | C19 | 03 | C22A | -9.8(12) |
| C3 | C4 | C5 | C6 | -55.5(3) | C19 | C20 | C21 | C16 | $-0.3(4)$ |
| C4 | C3 | C8 | C7 | -54.2(3) | C20 | C19 | 03 | C22 | -174.2(3) |
| C4 | C5 | C6 | C7 | 54.9(3) | C20 | C19 | 03 | C22A | 170.5(12) |
| C4 | C5 | C6 | C9 | -178.4(2) | C21 | C16 | C17 | C18 | $-0.4(3)$ |
| C5 | C6 | C7 | C8 | -56.0(3) | C22 | C23 | C24 | C25 | 76.4(5) |
| C5 | C6 | C9 |  | 106.8(2) | C22 | C23 | C24 | C30 | -162.7(4) |
| C5 | C6 |  | C14 | -72.5(3) | C22A | C23A | C2 | C25A | -161.4(13) |


| C6 C7 C8 C3 56.8(3) | C22A C23A C24A C30A 74.8(14) |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C6 C9 C10C11178.6(2) | C23 |  | 03 | C19 | 173.5(3) |
| C6 C9 C14C13-178.8(2) | C23 | C24 | C25 | C26 | -159.0(3) |
| C7 C6 C9 C10-128.5(2) | C23A | C22A |  | C19 | -154.7(7) |
| C7 C6 C9 C1452.2(3) | C23A | C24A | C25A | C26 | 87.4(10) |
| C8 C3 C4 C5 54.0(3) | C24 | C25 | C26 | C27 | 63.5(4) |
| C9 C6 C7 C8 177.90(19) | C24 | C25 | C26 | C28 | 178.8(3) |
| C9 C10C11C12 0.0(3) | C24 | C25 | C26 | C 29 | -61.3(4) |
| C10C9 C14C13 1.9(3) | C24A | C25A | C26 | C27 | -58.9(9) |
| C10C11 C12C13 2.3(3) | C24A | C25A |  | C28 | 87.0(8) |
| C10C11C12O1 178.68(19) | C24A | C25A | C26 | C29 | -167.3(8) |
| C11C12C13C14-2.5(3) | C30 | C24 | C25 | C26 | 82.5(5) |
| C11C12O1 C15114.6(2) | C30A | C24A | C25A | C26 | -147.9(8) |
| C12C13C14C9 0.3(3) | 01 | C12 | C13 | C14 | -178.71(19) |
| C13C12O1 C15-69.0(3) | 01 | C15 | C16 | C17 | 8.2(3) |
| C14C9 C10C11-2.1(3) | 01 | C15 | C16 | C21 | -171.7(2) |
| C15C16C17C18 179.7(2) | 02 | C15 | C16 | C17 | -171.6(2) |
| C15C16 C21 C20-179.7(2) | 02 | C15 | C16 | C21 | 8.5(4) |
| C16C1501 C12-178.46(18) | 02 | C15 | 01 | C12 | 1.3(3) |
| C16C17 C18C19 0.3(3) | 03 | C19 | C20 | C21 | 180.0(2) |
| C17C16 C21 C20 0.4(4) | 03 | C22 | C23 | C24 | 72.3(5) |
| C17C18C19C20-0.2(3) | 03 | C22A | C23A | C24A | -179.4(11) |

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