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(1), the angles about each S atom are significantly smaller than in (2) [99.7 (1) at S(1), 100.4 (1)° at S(2), 100.5 and  $101.7^{\circ}$  at analogous atoms in (2)], and the disulfide bond is significantly longer in (1) [2.056 (1) Å] than in (2) (2.025 Å).

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## Structure of 18'-Epivinblastine

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Abstract.  $\{3aR-[3a\alpha,4\beta,5\beta,5a\beta,9(3R^*,-$ Methyl  $5S^*, 7R^*, 9R^*), 10bR, 13a\alpha$ ]-4-(acetyloxy)-3a-ethyl-9-[5-ethyl-1,4,5,6,7,8,9,10-octahydro-5-hydroxy-9-(methoxycarbonyl)-2H-3,7-methanoazacycloundecino[5,4-b]indol-9-yl]-3a,4,5,5a,6,11,12,13a-octahydro-5-hydroxy-8-methoxy-6-methyl-1H-indolizino-[8, 1-c, d] carbazole-5-carboxylate methanol solvate,  $C_{46}H_{58}N_4O_9$ . 2CH<sub>3</sub>OH (1),  $M_r = 875.07$ , monoclinic,  $P2_1$ , a = 10.2759 (12), b = 22.353 (3), c =10.4051 (12) Å,  $\beta = 106.502 (9)^{\circ}$ ,  $V = 2291.6 (5) Å^3$ , Z = 2,  $D_x = 1.27$  g cm<sup>-3</sup>, Mo K $\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda =$  $0.7107 \text{ Å}, \quad \mu = 0.8397 \text{ cm}^{-1}, \quad F(000) = 940,$ T =198 K, R = 0.0470 for 2751 reflections,  $F_o \ge 4\sigma(F_o)$ . The C ring of the vindoline moiety is in the boat conformation with the hydroxy group and the tertiary N in the bowsprit positions resulting in a fairly short intramolecular hydrogen-bonding interaction. The relevant parameters for O3-H3...N9 are O...N 2.651 (6), H...N 1.94 (5) Å and O-H...N 147 (5)°. The D and E rings are in the sofa and envelope conformations, respectively. The piperidine ring of the catharanthine portion of the molecule assumes the chair conformation while the conformation of the azacyclononene ring is a boat-chair. An intramolecular hydrogen bond between the indolino NH of the catharanthine moiety and methoxy O (O25) of the vindoline moiety is also observed. The relevant parameters for N16'-H16'...O25 are N...O . 2·827 (6), H…N2·14 (6) Å and O—H…N 136 (5)°.

**Experimental.** (1) was prepared during the course of a synthesis of the clinically important antitumor alkaloid vinblastine (Moncrief & Lipscomb, 1965; Magnus, Stamford & Ladlow, 1991). The absolute



configuration of (1) was assigned on the basis of internal comparison to the vindoline moiety (Moncrief & Lipscomb, 1966). Colorless crystals were obtained by slow evaporation of a methanol-water solution. The data crystal was separated from a cluster of smaller crystals and had approximate dimensions  $0.17 \times 0.34 \times 0.43$  mm. The data were collected on a Nicolet P3 diffractometer using a graphite monochromator and equipped with a Nicolet LT-2 low-temperature device. The lattice parameters were obtained by the least-squares refinement of 40 reflections with  $18.2 < 2\theta < 21.2^{\circ}$ .

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C15' N16'

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C18<sup>-</sup> C19<sup>-</sup>

C20′ C21′

C22'

O22' O23'

C23' N1

C2 C3

03 C4 O4 C5 C6

C7 C8

N9

C10 C11 C12 C13 C14 C15

C16

C17

C18

C19 C20 C21 C22

022

C23 O23

C24 O24

C25

O25 C26

C27

01*A* C2*A* 

01*B* C2*B* 

The data were collected from 4.0 to 50° in 2 $\theta$  using the  $\omega$ -scan technique, with a 1.2° scan range at  $2-5^{\circ}$  min<sup>-1</sup>. 8740 reflections were measured, of which 4278 were unique  $(R_{int} = 0.0195)$ , where h ranged from  $-12\rightarrow 12$ , k from  $0\rightarrow 26$  and I from  $-12 \rightarrow 12$ . Four reflections (112,  $1\overline{51}$ ,  $\overline{222}$ ,  $1\overline{40}$ ) were remeasured every 96 reflections to monitor instrument and crystal stability. A smoothed curve of the intensities of these check reflections was used to scale the data. The scaling factor ranged from 1.00-1.09. The data were also corrected for Lp effects but not absorption. Reflections having  $F_o < 4\sigma(F_o)$  were considered unobserved (1527 reflections). Data reduction and decay correction were performed using the Nicolet XRD SHELXTL-Plus (Sheldrick, 1988) software package. The structure was solved by Patterson search methods using PATSEE (Egert & Sheldrick, 1985) and refined by full-matrix least squares (Sheldrick, 1988) with anisotropic thermal parameters for the non-H atoms. Most H atoms were located from a  $\Delta F$  map and refined with isotropic thermal parameters. The H atoms on C3', C21', C23', C20, C21, C24, C25, C26 and C27 did not refine well and were idealized (C-H 0.96 Å) with isotropic U refined. The H atoms on the solvent methanol atoms (O1B, C2B, C2A) were idealized with isotropic U fixed at  $1.2 \times U_{eq}$  of the relevant atom. The H atom on OlA (methanol O) could not be located and was omitted from refinement.  $\sum w(|F_o| - |F_c|)^2 \text{ was minimized where } w = 1/[\sigma(F_o)]^2$ and  $\sigma(F_o) = 0.5kI^{-1/2}\{[\sigma(I)]^2 + (0.02I)^2\}^{1/2}$ . The intensity, I, is given by  $(I_{\text{peak}} - I_{\text{background}}) \times (\text{scan})$ rate); where 0.02 is a factor to downweight intense reflections and to account for instrument instability and k is the correction due to Lp effects and decay.  $\sigma(I)$  was estimated from counting statistics;  $\sigma(I) = [(I_{\text{peak}} + I_{\text{background}})^{1/2} \times (\text{scan rate})]$ . 725 independent parameters were refined in blocks of 362 and 364 parameters (a single overall scale factor was refined in all cycles) to a final R = 0.0470 for 2751 reflections, with wR = 0.0405 and goodness of fit, S =1.118. The R value for all data was 0.0845, with wR = 0.0488. Max.  $|\Delta/\sigma| < 0.1$  in the final refinement cycle and the min. and max. peaks in the final difference electron density map were -0.22,  $0.22 \text{ e} \text{ }^{\text{A}^{-3}}$ , respectively. The origin was defined along the  $2_1$  screw axis by the atom positions of the block not being refined. Neutral atom scattering factors for the non-H atoms were taken from Cromer & Mann (1968), with the anomalousdispersion corrections taken from the work of Cromer & Liberman (1970). The scattering factors for the H atom were obtained from Stewart, Davidson & Simpson (1965). Values used to calculate the linear absorption coefficient are from International Tables for X-ray Crystallography (1974, Vol. IV. p. 55). All figures were generated using

Table 1. Fractional coordinates and equivalent isotropic thermal parameters ( $Å^2$ ) for the non-H atoms of (1)

### $U_{\rm eq} = (1/3) \sum_i \sum_j U_{ij} a_i^* a_j^* \mathbf{a}_i \cdot \mathbf{a}_j.$

x	v	Z	U.,
-0.1422(5)	0.1507 (2)	0.4400 (6)	0.026 (2)
0 2464 (6)	0 1107 (2)	0 4022 (0)	0.020 (2)
-0.2404 (6)	0.1122 (2)	0.4832 (6)	0.033(2)
-0.3825(6)	0.1446 (3)	0.4737 (6)	0.039 (2)
-0.3836 (5)	0.1901 (3)	0.5805 (6)	0.034 (2)
-0.3223(5)	0.2448 (2)	0.5492 (5)	0.042 (2)
- 0.2988 (7)	0.1690 (2)	0.7102 (6)	0.020 (2)
0 2 3 8 (7)	0.1080 (3)	0.7192 (0)	0.038 (2)
-0.1/16 (5)	0.1440(2)	0.7114 (4)	0.038 (2)
-0.0461 (7)	0.1226 (3)	0.8120 (6)	0.043 (3)
0.0677 (7)	0.1743 (3)	0.7532 (7)	0.038 (2)
0.1317 (5)	0.1276 (2)	0.6864 (5)	0.028 (2)
0.2555 (5)	0,0000 (3)	0.7580 (5)	0.020 (2)
0.2405 (5)	0 0 0 0 (3)	0.7380 (3)	0.030 (2)
0.3403 (6)	0.1035 (3)	0.8882 (6)	0.040 (2)
0.4571 (7)	0.0687 (3)	0.9267 (6)	0.049 (3)
0.4924 (7)	0.0299 (3)	0.8381 (6)	0.044 (3)
0.4100 (6)	0.0244(3)	0.7087 (6)	0.041 (3)
0.2929 (5)	0.0591 (2)	0.6703 (5)	0.030 (2)
0.1040 (5)	0.0622 (2)	0 5504 (5)	0 0 0 0 (2)
0.1940 (3)	0.0032 (2)	0.3304 (3)	0.030 (2)
0.0962 (5)	0.1043 (2)	0.5597 (5)	0.026 (2)
-0.0118 (5)	0.1184 (2)	0.4279 (5)	0.026 (2)
-0.1903 (7)	0.0910(3)	0.6275(6)	0.038 (2)
-0.5291(7)	0.2051 (3)	0.5796 (7)	0.047 (3)
-0.5436 (7)	0.2476 (4)	0.6964 (7)	0.064 (3)
0 0(79 (5)	0.2470 (4)	0.0804 (7)	0.004 (3)
-0.0678 (3)	0.0007(3)	0.3504 (5)	0.032 (2)
-0.05//(4)	0.0115 (2)	0.3989 (4)	0.038 (2)
-0.1376 (4)	0.0736 (2)	0.2246 (4)	0.039 (2)
-0.1932 (7)	0.0225 (3)	0.1425 (7)	0.054 (3)
0.2596 (4)	0.2680 (2)	0.1376 (4)	0.031 (2)
0.2212 (5)	0.2001 (2)	0 1779 (5)	0 0 0 1 (2)
0.2312 (3)	0.3291 (2)	0.1778 (3)	0.024 (2)
0.1004 (3)	0.3685 (2)	0.0218 (2)	0-026 (2)
0.1729 (4)	0·4299 (2)	0.0860 (4)	0.031 (2)
0.0233 (5)	0.3457 (2)	-0.0142(5)	0.025(2)
-0.0291(3)	0.3806 (2)	-0.1351 (3)	0.029 (1)
-0.0767(5)	0.2470 (2)	0.0736 (5)	0.02((1)
0 1720 (6)	0.3473 (2)	0.0730 (3)	0.026 (2)
-0.1/39 (6)	0.3995 (3)	0.0382 (7)	0.038 (2)
-0.1836 (6)	0.4437 (3)	0.1180 (6)	0.040 (3)
- 0.0856 (6)	0.4517 (3)	0.2535 (7)	0.039 (3)
0.0347 (4)	0.4151(2)	0.2634 (4)	0.030 (2)
0.1367 (7)	0.4142 (2)	0.3055 (7)	0.045 (2)
01307 (7)	0.4142(3)	0.3933 (7)	0.045 (3)
0.1968 (6)	0.3514(3)	0.4101 (6)	0.032 (2)
0.1382 (6)	0.3210 (2)	0.2739 (5)	0.028 (2)
0.1279 (5)	0.2535 (2)	0.2816 (5)	0.026(2)
0.0597 (5)	0.2192(3)	0.3527 (5)	0.029 (2)
0.0612 (5)	0.1569 (2)	0.3460 (5)	0.024 (2)
0.1391 (5)	0.1305 (2)	0.2685 (5)	0.024 (2)
0 2094 (0)	01303(2)	0 2085 (5)	0.020 (2)
0.2084 (6)	0.1047 (2)	0-1990 (5)	0.030 (2)
0.2012 (5)	0.2262 (2)	0.2050 (5)	0.025 (2)
0.0002 (5)	0.3525 (2)	0.2235 (5)	0.026(2)
-0.1593 (6)	0.2882(3)	0.0443 (6)	0.038 (2)
- 0.2678 (6)	0.2783 (3)	0.1163 (8)	0.054 (2)
-0.0819 (6)	0.2502 (2)	-0.2408 (6)	0 0 0 4 (0)
0.1002 (4)	0.3302 (3)	-0.2498 (6)	0.036 (2)
-0.1093 (4)	0.2984 (2)	-0.2551 (4)	0.049 (2)
0.2494 (6)	0.3617 (3)	<i>−</i> 0·0472 (6)	0.033 (2)
0.2191 (4)	0.3303 (2)	-0.1456 (4)	0.047 (2)
0.4441 (7)	0.3920 (3)	-0.1045 (7)	0.054 (3)
0.3610 (4)	0-3949 (2)	-0.0143(4)	0.030 (3)
0.1678 (9)	0.0401(2)	0 1660 (4)	0.039 (2)
0.1449 (4)	0.0401 (3)	0.1220 (0)	0.023 (3)
0.1448 (4)	0.0692 (2)	0.2694 (3)	0.034 (1)
-0.1028 (8)	0.3906 (3)	-0.3671 (6)	0.061 (3)
0.3915 (6)	0.2546 (3)	0.1216 (7)	0.051 (3)
0.5555 (5)	0.3497 (2)	0.4572 (5)	0.076 (2)
0.605 (1)	0.3639 (4)	0.3557 (0)	0.100 (4)
0.5871 (7)	0.4324 (3)	0.6630 (7)	0.100 (4)
0.36/1 (/)	0.4334 (3)	0.0020 (/)	0.125 (3)
0.495(1)	0.4811 (4)	0.6281(9)	0.117(5)

SHELXTL-Plus (Sheldrick, 1988). The positional and thermal parameters for the non-H atoms are listed in Table 1.\* The bond lengths and angles are

\* Lists of structure factors, anisotropic thermal parameters, bond distances and angles involving H atoms, torsion angles, H-bonding interactions and H-atom parameters and a unit-cell packing diagram have been deposited with the British Library Document Supply Centre as Supplementary Publication No. SUP 53891 (34 pp.). Copies may be obtained through The Technical Editor, International Union of Crystallography, 5 Abbey Square, Chester CH1 2HU, England.

# Table 2. Bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for the non-H atoms of (1)

1	2	2	1.2	1 2 2
1	2	5	1-2	1-2-3
22	CI	C18	1.537 (9)	110.8 (4)
	CI	C10/	1.559 (8)	106 8 (5)
C31	C2	C19	1.223 (8)	106.8 (5)
C31	C2	Cr	1 (22 (0)	114.2 (4)
C19 <sup>-</sup>	C2'	CI	1.523 (8)	111-3 (3)
4	CS	C2	1.309 (8)	109.7 (4)
04'	C4 <sup>*</sup>	CS <sup>2</sup>	1.435 (7)	108.3 (4)
04'	C4 <sup>*</sup>	C20		107.4 (5)
04	C4	C30′	1.520 (9)	107.9 (3)
C5'	C4	C20	1.224 (8)	110.7 (5)
C3	C4	C3	1 520 (0)	110.9 (5)
	C4	CS CI	1.329 (9)	110.6 (3)
NO CT/		C10′	1.437 (9)	110.4 (5)
	INO NICC	C19 C5'	1.424 (7)	172.8 (5)
	INO NIC	CS CS	1.451 (7)	123.8 (3)
C19		CJ N6'	1.55 (1)	112.4 (5)
	C/	C7'	1.505 (0)	112-4 (5)
	C°	C17'	1.430 (7)	106.6 (5)
	C9 C0′	C1/	1.430 (7)	120.7 (5)
C10	C9 C9		1.367 (7)	120-7 (5)
	C10'	CIS'	1.202 (7)	117.8 (5)
	CIU	C15	1.392 (7)	11/0(3)
	C10 C10	C9 C0′	1.404 (8)	108.2 (4)
		C 9	1.404 (8)	110.4 (4)
		C10 C11'	1.369 (9)	119.4 (0)
	C12	CIT	1/39(1)	121.7 (3)
CI4	C13	C12	1.3// (8)	120.1 (0)
	C14	C13 C10'	1.391 (6)	116.2 (0)
NID		C10 C14	1.370 (0)	121.0 (5)
NI6 CIO		C14		131.0 (3)
	CIS	C14 C15	1 296 (7)	122.0 (3)
	NIG	C15	1.200 (7)	110.2 (3)
C18	C17	09	1.231 (0)	135.4 (5)
C18	C17	IN I O		109.4 (3)
C9 C97	C1/	IN IO	1 542 (7)	108.0 (4)
C22	C18 C18		1.242 (7)	107.1 (4)
C22				103.1 (4)
C22	C18		1.547 (8)	110.4 (4)
	C18	C17'	1.947 (8)	105.5 (4)
	C18'	C17		116.4 (5)
	C18	N6'		106.7 (4)
C2	C19 C20'	C4'	1.50 (1)	115.9 (5)
011	C20	012	1.202 (7)	124.5 (5)
022	C22	C18'	1 202 (7)	124.8 (5)
022	C22	C18	1.333 (6)	110.5 (5)
C23	022	C18	1.443(7)	115.1 (4)
$C_{23}$	025 NI	C18	1.482(7)	109-1 (5)
	NI	C10	1.401(7)	118.0(4)
C10 C27	NI	$C^{2}$	1.443(8)	119.4 (4)
$C_{2}$	C2	C12	1.561 (7)	112 + (4) 114 + 0 + (4)
0		NI	1 501 (7)	110.7 (4)
C12	C2	NI	1.578 (9)	106.0 (4)
03	C3	C4	1.414 (6)	114.1 (4)
03	C3	C23		105.7 (4)
03	Č3	C2		110.9 (4)
C4	C3	C23	1.523 (7)	108.4 (4)
C4	C3	C2		108.5 (4)
C23	C3	C2	1.520 (9)	109.0 (4)
04	C4	C5	1.447 (6)	110.4 (4)
04	C4	C3		106.6 (4)
Č5	C4	C3	1.558 (8)	116.0 (4)
C22	O4	C4	1.346 (6)	117-1 (4)
C6	C5	C19	1.502 (8)	108-1 (5)
C6	C5	C20		108.7 (4)
C6	C5	C4		112 5 (5)
C19	C5	C20	1.539 (7)	110 5 (4)
C19	C5	C4		111-3 (4)
C20	C5	C4	1.563 (8)	105.8 (4)
C7	C6	C5	1.312 (9)	126-0 (5)
C8	C7	C6	1.493 (8)	122-4 (6)
N9	C8	C7	1.460 (8)	109-3 (5)
C10	N9	C19	1.473 (7)	107-5 (4)
C10	N9	C8		115-9 (5)
C19	N9	C8	1.474 (6)	112-3 (4)
C11	C10	N9	1.524 (8)	105-5 (5)
C12	C11	C10	1.533 (7)	105-9 (4)
C13	C12	C19	1.517 (7)	113.8 (4)
C13	C12	C2		102.2 (4)
C13	C12	C11	_	114.0 (4)
C19	C12	C2	1.536 (7)	113.4 (4)
C19	C12	CII		101-2 (4)
C2	C12	CII		112.7 (5)
C14	C13	C18	1.385 (8)	120-3 (5)

Table 2 (cont.)

2	3	1-2	1-2-3
C13	C12		129.2 (5)
C13	C12	1.384 (8)	110.5 (5)
C14	Č13	1-395 (7)	120.8 (5)
C15	C18′	1.416 (8)	121.5 (4)
C15	C14		117.4 (5)
C15	C14		120.9 (5)
C16	O25	1.381 (9)	121.9 (5)
C16	C15		121-8 (5)
C16	C15	1.373 (6)	116.3 (5)
C17	C16	1.380 (7)	119-0 (6)
C18	C13		112-1 (5)
C18	C17		127-3 (5)
C18	C17		120.6 (5)
C19	N9		111-3 (4)
C19	C12		118-2 (5)
C19	C12		102.4 (4)
C20	C5	1.53 (1)	117-4 (5)
C22	C26	1.188 (7)	125-2 (5)
C22	O4		124-3 (5)
C22	O4	1.484 (9)	110.5 (5)
C23	O24	1.208 (7)	122.7 (6)
C23	C3		125.0 (5)
C23	C3	1.326 (7)	112.3 (5)
C24		1.438 (9)	
O24	C24		115.9 (5)
C25		1.433 (8)	
O25	C25		117.7 (4)
01 <i>A</i>		1-34 (1)	
01 <i>B</i>		1.40(1)	
	2 C13 C14 C15 C15 C16 C16 C16 C16 C17 C18 C19 C19 C19 C20 C22 C22 C22 C22 C22 C23 C23 C23	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$



Fig. 1. View of  $C_{46}H_{58}N_4O_9(1)$  showing the atom-labeling scheme. Thermal ellipsoids are scaled to the 30% probability level. Most H atoms were removed for clarity. H atoms represented as spheres of arbitrary size. The methanol molecules are not shown.

listed in Table 2. The atom-labeling scheme is shown in Fig. 1. Other computer programs used in this work are listed elsewhere (Gadol & Davis, 1982).

Related literature. Bisindole derivatives of (1) have been prepared previously (Kutney, Beck, Bylsma, Cook, Cretney, Fuji, Imhof & Treasurywala, 1975; Langlois, Gueritte, Langlois & Potier, 1976; Potier, 1980; Kuehne, Zebovitz, Bornmann & Marko, 1987; Kuehne & Bornmann, 1989). The National Institutes of the Health (GM 29801 to PM) are thanked for their support of this research.

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## The Structure at 198 K of (1*R*,5*R*,15*R*,16*R*)-5-Isopropenyl-2-methyl-1-[*N*-(*trans*-2-phenylcyclohexyloxycarbonyl)amino]-2-cyclohexene

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Abstract. trans-2-Phenylcyclohexyl N-(5-isopropenyl-2-methyl-2-cyclohexan-1-yl)carbamate, C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>31</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>,  $M_r = 353.50$ , orthorhombic,  $P2_{1}2_{1}2_{1}$ , a = $8.813(2), \quad b = 9.043(2), \quad c = 25.643(5) \text{ Å},$ V =2043 6 (8) Å<sup>3</sup>, Z = 4,  $D_x = 1.15 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$  (198 K), Mo K $\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.7107$  Å,  $\mu = 0.6734$  cm<sup>-1</sup> F(000) = 768, T = 198 K, R = 0.0547 for 1772 reflections  $[F_a \ge 4\sigma(F_a)]$ . Molecules are H-bonded into infinite columns parallel to a. The H bond involves the NH group and the carbonyl O atom of the carbamate moiety with relevant parameters: N11—H11…O13 (related by  $\frac{1}{2} + x$ ,  $\frac{1}{2} - y$ , -z); N…O 2.910 (5), H...O 2.11 (5) Å, N-H...O 159 (4)°.

**Experimental.** The carbamate (1) was prepared from the adduct formed from (R)-limonene with the Nsulfinylcarbamate of (1R)-trans-2-phenylcyclohexanol (Whitesell & Carpenter, 1987; Whitesell, Carpenter, Yaser & Machajewski, 1990) by reaction with hexamethyldisilazane followed by thermal rearrangement (Yaser, 1990). X-ray structural analy-



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chiral center bearing nitrogen (C1) and independently confirmed by internal comparison with the absolute stereochemistry of the trans-2phenylcyclohexanol used (Whitesell & Lawrence, 1986). Crystals were obtained by slow evaporation from hexanes. The data crystal was a clear, colorless needle of approximate dimensions  $0.11 \times 0.11 \times$ 0.29 mm; the data were collected on a Nicolet R3 diffractometer using a graphite monochromator and a Nicolet LT-2 low-temperature delivery system; lattice parameters were obtained from the least-squares refinement of 40 reflections with  $20.2 < 2\theta < 23.5^{\circ}$ ;  $\omega$ scan technique with a  $2\theta$  range from  $4.0-52.5^{\circ}$  and a  $1.2^{\circ} \omega \text{ scan at } 5-10^{\circ} \min^{-1} (h = -11 \rightarrow 11, k = -12)$  $\rightarrow$  12,  $l = 0 \rightarrow$  32). Two symmetry equivalent octants of data were collected (*hkl* and -h, -k, *l*) yielding a total of 4788 reflections of which 2417 were unique  $(R_{int} = 0.0198)$ ; four reflections (114, 132, 124, 125) were remeasured every 96 reflections to monitor instrument and crystal stability; a smoothed curve of the intensities of these check reflections was used to scale the data; the scaling factor ranged from 0.9912-1.014; the data were also corrected for Lp effects and absorption (based on crystal face measurements; transmission factor range was from 0.9832-0.9866). The data reduction, absorption and decay correction were applied using the Nicolet XRD SHELXTL-Plus software package (Sheldrick, 1988); reflections having  $F_{\alpha} < 4\sigma(F_{\alpha})$  were considered unobserved (645

sis was used to confirm the stereochemistry of the

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