C1C2C3	108.9 (7)	C2'C1'C6'	107.6 (6)
C2C3C7	100.2 (7)	C1'C2'C3'	107.4 (6)
C2-C3-C4	106.4 (5)	C2'-C3'-C7'	100.5 (6)
C7 C3 - C4	98.9 (7)	C2'-C3'-C4'	106.2 (5)
C8-C4-C5	104.3 (5)	C7'—C3'—C4'	98.7 (5)
C8-C4-C3	115.3 (8)	C8'C4'C5'	105.4 (5)
C5-C4-C3	103.1 (5)	C8'—C4'—C3'	116.6 (5)
C9-C5-C4	106.3 (5)	C5'-C4'-C3'	102.8 (5)
C9C5C6	116.8 (5)	C9'C5'C4'	105.2 (5)
C4C5C6	101.8 (5)	C1'-C6'-C7'	100.5 (6)
C1C6C7	101.7 (6)	C1'-C6'-C5'	106.4 (5)
C1C6C5	107.4 (5)	C7'—C6'—C5'	99.8 (6)
C7C6C5	99.0 (6)	C6'—C7'—C3'	94.1 (6)
C6-C7-C3	93.4 (5)	01'-C8'-N1'	123.7 (6)
01-C8-N1	120.9 (6)	O1'—C8'—C4'	128.3 (5)
O1-C8-C4	129.5 (6)	N1'—C8'—C4'	107.9 (5)
N1	109.6 (6)	O2'-C9'-N1'	123.7 (6)
O2-C9-N1	124.1 (5)	O2'—C9'—C5'	129.0 (6)
O2C9C5	128.3 (6)	N1'C9'C5'	107.2 (5)
N1	107.6 (5)	N1'-C10'-C11'	111.2 (5)
N1-C10-C11	114.5 (4)	N1'-C10'-C12'	104.9 (4)
N1-C10-C12	110.4 (4)	C11'-C10'-C12'	118.2 (5)
C11-C10-C12	109.2 (4)	C10'C11'S1'A	120.1 (8)
C10-C11-S1	113.5 (4)	C10'-C11'-S1'	113.8 (5)
O3-C12-O4	125.2 (5)	O3'-C12'-C10'	124.6 (6)
O3-C12-C10	125.8 (5)	O4'-C12'-C10'	110.8 (6)

#### Table 2. Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °)

D—H···A	H···A	$D \cdots A$	$D$ — $H \cdots A$
C11—H11A···O1 <sup>1</sup>	2.402 (8)	3.102 (8)	128.7 (6)
C3—H3· · · O2 <sup>11</sup>	2.454 (9)	3.323 (9)	147.5 (7)
C4'H4'····O2 <sup>ini</sup>	2.511 (8)	3.484 (8)	172.0 (6)
C13F'— $H13F$ ··· $O2'$ <sup>IV</sup>	2.38 (2)	3.289 (9)	158 (1)
C6—H6· · ·O4 <sup>v</sup>	2.482 (8)	3.286 (8)	139.1 (6)
Symmetry codes: (i)	$-x, y - \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} -$	-z; (ii) $-1$	$x, \frac{1}{2} + y, \frac{1}{2} - z$
(iii) $-\frac{1}{2} - x$ , $1 - y$ , $\frac{1}{2} - x$	$z; (iv) 1^{2} + x, y$	z; (v) x - 1, y,	Z.

One S atom of the disulfide bridge was disordered between two positions (S1' and S1'A with 0.67 and 0.33 occupancies, respectively). Final refinement (Sheldrick, 1993) included (a) the displacement-coefficient restraints *ISOR* of 0.005 for C12' and 0.008 for O1 to prevent these atoms becoming 'non-positive definite', and *EADP* for S1' and S1'A to force these partially occupied atoms to have identical displacement coefficients, and (b) bond-length restraints *DFIX* of 1.810 (5) Å for C11—S1, C11'—S1' and C11'—S1'A, 2.040 (5) Å for S1—S1', and 1.520 (5) Å for C10'—C12'. The problem of disorder around the sulfur site gave rise to rather elongated ellipsoids for S1' and S1'A. The highest residual electron density peak (1.14 Å) did not indicate any feature of chemical significance.

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# Chiral Hydroxylamines. IV. 1-(*N*-Benzyl-*N*-hydroxyamino)-2:3;4:5-di-O-isopropylidene- $\alpha$ -D-mannofuranose

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## Abstract

The title compound,  $C_{19}H_{27}NO_6$ , was synthesized from the reaction of the known D-mannose diacetonide with *N*-benzylhydroxylamine in the presence of zinc dichloride. The absolute configuration at the anomeric center has been deduced from that of the mannose used in the synthesis. In the crystal, molecules are joined by O----H···O intermolecular hydrogen bonds.

### Comment

In previous reports we have described the synthesis of nitrones by condensation of the corresponding parent carbonyl compounds with *N*-substituted hydroxylamines (Franco, Merchan, Merino & Tejero, 1995; Dondoni, Franco, Junquera, Merchan, Merino & Tejero, 1994). Application of that methodology to the protected D-mannose diacetonide, (I), afforded the novel glycosyl hydroxylamine, (II), the structure of which is presented here. Although examples of carbohydrates bearing an amino group at the anomeric center have been described (Spevak, Dasgupta, Hobbs & Nagy, 1996) there are no reports concerning stable anomeric hydroxylamines.



The crystal structure and numbering scheme of (II) are given in Fig. 1. The three five-membered rings adopt envelope conformations, with the C4, C6 and O4 atoms lying out of the planes of the other atoms of each ring by 0.491(7), 0.523(8) and 0.521(6) Å, respectively, and have total puckering amplitudes (Cremer & Pople, 1975) of 0.320(4), 0.337(6) and 0.344(4) Å, respectively. In addition to bond lengths and angles, Table 1 lists torsion angles between the furanose ring and the anomeric hydroxylamino group, thus allowing us to define the relative configuration of the anomeric center C1 and the conformation of the chain bonded to it. Since the starting aldofuranose, (I), belongs to the D series, the absolute configuration at C1 was assigned as *S*.

An intermolecular O1— $H(O) \cdots O2^{i}$  hydrogen bond [O1—H(O) 0.84 (1),  $H(O) \cdots O2^{i}$  2.10 (2), O1 $\cdots O2^{i}$ 2.878 (5) Å and O1— $H(O) \cdots O2^{i}$  154.5 (5)°; symmetry code: (i) x - 1, y, z] joins the molecules along the x axis.



Fig. 1. Crystal structure of glycosylhydroxylamine (II) showing the atom numbering. Displacement ellipsoids are shown at the 30% probability level.

### **Experimental**

Crystals of (II) were obtained by slow evaporation from a diethyl ether solution. The melting point is 389 K and  $[\alpha]_D = +10.4$  (c 10 g  $1^{-1}$ , chloroform).

Crystal data  $C_{19}H_{27}NO_6$   $M_r = 365.42$ Orthorhombic  $P2_12_12_1$  a = 5.4700 (10) Å b = 18.310 (4) Å c = 18.880 (4) Å  $V = 1890.9 (7) Å^3$  Z = 4  $D_x = 1.284 Mg m^{-3}$  $D_{nl}$  not measured

# Data collection

Siemens P4 diffractometer
$2\theta/\omega$ scans
Absorption correction: none
2639 measured reflections
2447 independent reflections
1925 reflections with
$l > 2\sigma(l)$

# $R_{\rm int}=0.129$

### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.069$   $wR(F^2) = 0.340$  S = 1.0782219 reflections 240 parameters H-atom parameters constrained

- Mo K $\alpha$  radiation  $\lambda = 0.71073$  Å Cell parameters from 77 reflections  $\theta = 8.063-24.772^{\circ}$   $\mu = 0.095$  mm<sup>-1</sup> T = 173 (2) K Transparent block  $0.22 \times 0.16 \times 0.08$  mm Colorless
- $\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.03^{\circ}$   $h = -1 \rightarrow 6$   $k = -1 \rightarrow 21$   $l = -1 \rightarrow 22$ 3 standard reflections every 97 reflections intensity decay: 9.59%
- $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.1276P)^2 + 1.079P]$ where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_o^2)/3$  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = -0.003$  $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.367$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.321$  e Å<sup>-3</sup> Extinction correction: none Scattering factors from International Tables for Crystallography (Vol. C)

Table 1. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °)

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NI-01	1.439 (5)	O4—C8	1.430(6)
NI-CI	1.444 (6)	O4—C3	1.433 (6)
N1-C13	1.482 (6)	O5—C5	1.425 (6)
O2—C4	1.437 (6)	O5—C7	1.437 (6)
O2-C1	1.456 (5)	O6—C6	1.421 (6)
03—C2	1.424 (6)	O6—C7	1.426 (6)
O3—C8	1.430 (6)		
01	107.2 (3)	O3—C2—C3	105.4 (4)
01-N1-C13	106.6 (3)	O3—C2—C1	111.5 (4)
C1-N1-C13	112.8 (4)	04-C3-C2	102.2 (4)
C4-02-C1	108.1 (3)	C4—C3—C2	104.2 (4)
C2	108.2 (3)	O2—C4—C3	104.7 (4)
C8-04-C3	105.5 (3)	05	102.6 (4)
C5-05-C7	108.6 (4)	C6C5C4	116.0 (4)
C6—O6—C7	106.2 (4)	06	103.2 (4)
N1-C1-O2	114.0 (4)	O6C7O5	106.3 (4)
N1-C1-C2	112.7 (4)	04	104.7 (3)
O2—C1—C2	106.5 (3)		
O2-C1-C2-C3	1.8 (5)	C3—C4—C5—O5	-59.0 (5)
C3-C2-C1-N1	-123.9(4)	O2-C1-N1-C13	56.1 (5)
03-C2-C1-N1	122.5 (4)	C1-N1-C13-C14	169.2 (4)
02 C4 C5 C6	69 0 (5)		044(5)

Data collection: XSCANS (Siemens, 1992). Cell refinement: XSCANS. Data reduction: XSCANS. Program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS86 (Sheldrick, 1990). Program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL93 (Sheldrick, 1993). Molecular graphics: SHELXTL-Plus (Sheldrick, 1991). Software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL-Plus.

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# (25*R*)-5β-Hydroxyspirost-2-en-6-one

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### Abstract

In the title compound,  $C_{27}H_{40}O_4$ , the presence of a double bond between C2 and C3 forces ring A to adopt a  $10\alpha,5\beta$  half-chair conformation. The B, C and F rings have chair conformations, as is usual in this type of compound. The D ring adopts a  $13\beta,14\alpha$  half-chair conformation and the E ring a  $C22\beta,O3\alpha$  half-chair conformation. The A/B ring junction is cis and the B/C and C/D ring junctions are both trans.

### Comment

The steroidal alkenes are appropriate intermediates for introducing into the steroidal nucleus the oxygenated

steroids, such as ecdysteroids and brassinosteroids. This paper reports the crystal structure of  $(25R)-5\beta$ hydroxyspirost-2-enone, (I), used as an intermediate in the synthesis of brassinosteroids, which have been widely used as precursors of plant growth (Grove, Spencer & Rohwedder, 1979).

functions typical of many families of biologically active



This X-ray analysis does not determine the absolute stereochemistry, which was known from chemical evidence. The studied compound was synthesized starting from (25R)- $3\beta$ -hydroxyspirost-5-ene (Schwartz, Juhász & Coltea, 1984) and the synthesis only affects rings A and B; there was no change in the chiral centres.

The presence of a double bond between C2 and C3 forces ring A to adopt a  $10\alpha,5\beta$  half-chair conformation; a  $C_2$  axis intercepts the C2-C3 and C5-C10 bonds with asymmetric parameters (Duax, Weeks & Rohrer, 1976)  $\Delta C_2(C2-C3) = 8(1), \ \Delta C_3(C3) = 13(1)$  and  $\Delta C_{\rm s}({\rm C1}) = 37 \, (1)^{\circ}$ . The average of the dihedral angles is  $30(1.5)^{\circ}$ . The B, C and F rings, as usual in this kind of compound (Pfeiffer, Kutschabsky, Kretschmer, Collect & Adam, 1985), have chair conformations. The F ring has a highly symmetrical chair conformation with all asymmetry parameters below  $5.3^{\circ}$ . The D ring has a  $13\beta$ ,  $14\alpha$  half-chair conformation (Altona, Geise & Romers, 1968). The *E* ring has a C22 $\beta$ ,O3 $\alpha$  half-chair conformation. The A/B ring junction is cis and the B/Cand C/D ring junctions are both trans. Bond distances and angles are close to expected values. The O1 atom of the hydroxyl group is synclinal to the C19 atom of the methyl group and is almost eclipsed with respect to atom O2 of the carbonyl group. There is an intramolecular hydrogen bond between the H atom of the hydroxyl



Fig. 1. Plot showing the atomic numbering scheme of (I). Displacement ellipsoids are shown at the 50% probability level for non-H atoms and H atoms have been omitted for clarity.