

**(2*a*,3*a*,5*a*,20*S*,22*S*)-2,3,5,14,20,20,24-Heptahydroxycholest-7-en-6-one monohydrate**

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The crystal structure of the title compound consists of discrete C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>44</sub>O<sub>8</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>O molecules, linked by hydrogen bonding.

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**Comment**

The title compound, (I), has been isolated from *Solanum nigrum* L. (De Souza *et al.*, 1970; Baltaev, 1995; Kissmer & Wichtl, 1987; Nishimoto *et al.*, 1987). It was isolated from Solanaceae for the first time, its structure was established from the spectroscopic and chemical evidence, and confirmed by this X-ray diffraction study.

**Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study

*T* = 291 K

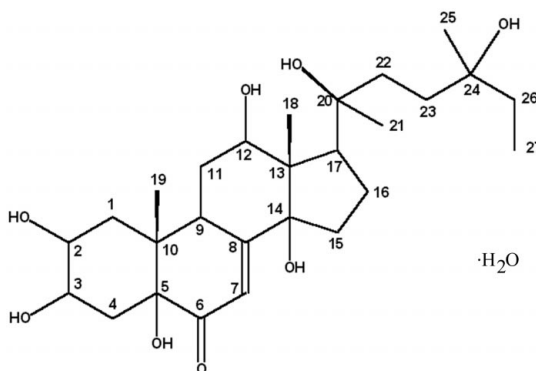
Mean  $\sigma(C-C)$  = 0.005 Å

*R* factor = 0.041

*wR* factor = 0.064

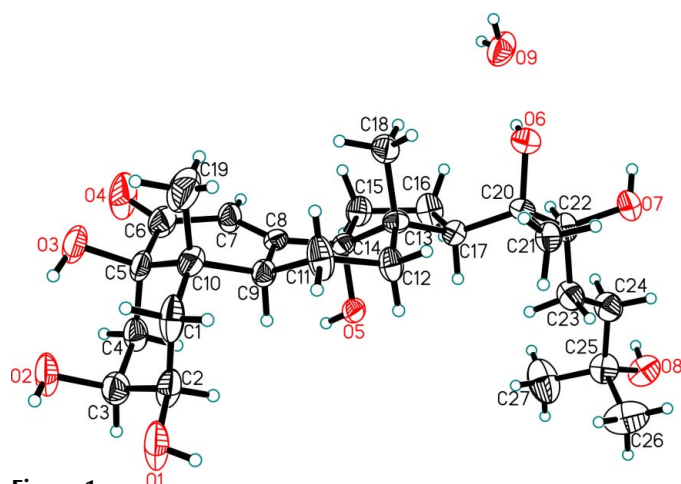
Data-to-parameter ratio = 9.2

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(I)

The title compound (Fig. 1) is a typical example of a sterone. Its main skeleton is composed of four rings. The *A* and *C* rings exist in chair conformations. Because of carbonyl and double-bond planarity, the *B* ring is in a distorted chair conformation. Ring *D* has a half-chair conformation. The *C**sp*<sup>3</sup>–*C**sp*<sup>3</sup> bond lengths C1–C2, C2–C3, C5–C10, C9–C10, C9–C11, C13–C17, C20–C22, C22–C23, C24–C25, C25–C26 and C25–C27 show some significant deviations from standard values. The bond angles C7–C6–C5, C8–C7–C6, C7–C8–C9, C7–C8–C14, C14–C13–C17, C15–C14–C8 and C20–C17–C13 show significant deviations from the ideal tetrahedral value of 109.5°. These deviations are common in steroids as a result of the strain induced by ring junctions, side chains and unsaturated bonds. The C7–C8 bond length indicates double-bond nature. The title compound is a hydrate; the water molecule is involved in hydrogen bonding, as both donor and acceptor (Table 2).



**Figure 1**  
The asymmetric unit of the title compound with atom labels, showing 50% probability displacement ellipsoids.

## Experimental

The title compound was separated from a *n*-butanol fraction of *Solanum nigrum* L. by  $\text{CHCl}_3$ – $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$ – $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ . Crystals were grown from methanol at room temperature by slow evaporation of the solvent.

## Crystal data

$\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{44}\text{O}_8 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$   
 $M_r = 514.64$   
 Orthorhombic,  $P2_12_12_1$   
 $a = 7.153$  (1) Å  
 $b = 10.290$  (2) Å  
 $c = 37.220$  (8) Å  
 $V = 2739.6$  (9) Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 4$   
 $D_x = 1.248$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>

## Data collection

Siemens *P4* diffractometer  
 $\omega$  scans  
 3426 measured reflections  
 3185 independent reflections  
 1635 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.019$   
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 26.3^\circ$

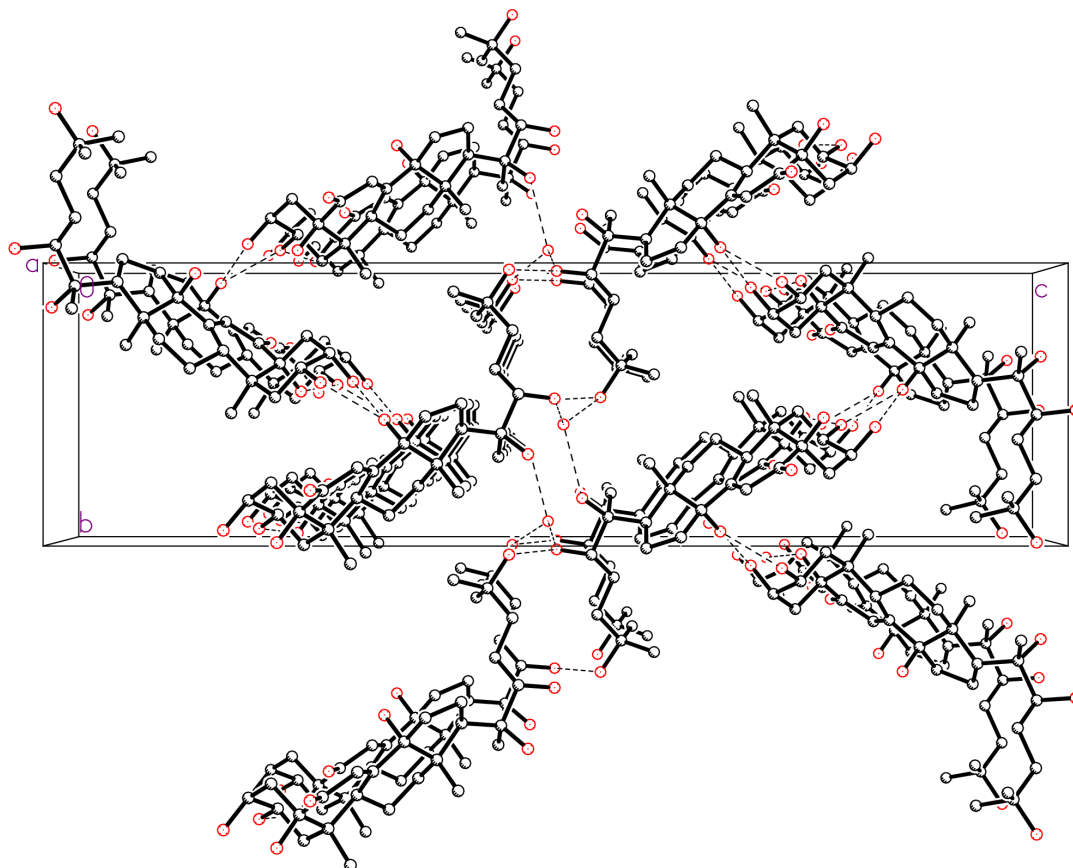
## Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.041$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.064$   
 $S = 0.80$   
 3185 reflections  
 346 parameters  
 H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 Cell parameters from 25 reflections  
 $\theta = 2.9$ – $15.0^\circ$   
 $\mu = 0.09$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 291$  (2) K  
 Prism, colourless  
 $0.36 \times 0.30 \times 0.24$  mm

$h = 0 \rightarrow 8$   
 $k = 0 \rightarrow 12$   
 $l = -1 \rightarrow 46$   
 3 standard reflections  
 every 97 reflections  
 intensity decay: 3.5%

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0182P)^2]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.17$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.17$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 Extinction correction: *SHELXL97*  
 Extinction coefficient: 0.0046 (3)



**Figure 2**  
An illustration of the unit-cell packing of the title compound, viewed along the crystallographic *a* axis. H atoms are omitted for clarity. Hydrogen bonding is shown by dashed lines.

**Table 1**  
Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

O4—C6	1.217 (4)	C8—C9	1.498 (4)
C1—C2	1.511 (4)	C9—C11	1.551 (4)
C1—C10	1.543 (4)	C9—C10	1.558 (4)
C2—C3	1.507 (4)	C13—C17	1.554 (4)
C3—C4	1.526 (4)	C20—C22	1.558 (4)
C4—C5	1.525 (4)	C22—C23	1.520 (4)
C5—C6	1.518 (4)	C24—C25	1.518 (4)
C5—C10	1.549 (4)	C25—C26	1.507 (4)
C6—C7	1.459 (4)	C25—C27	1.508 (4)
C7—C8	1.335 (4)		
O1—C2—C3	110.7 (3)	C7—C8—C14	121.4 (3)
C2—C3—C4	107.2 (3)	C8—C9—C10	114.0 (3)
C5—C4—C3	113.0 (3)	C1—C10—C5	107.9 (3)
C6—C5—C10	110.2 (3)	C5—C10—C9	110.8 (3)
C4—C5—C10	112.3 (3)	C14—C13—C17	99.2 (2)
C7—C6—C5	118.2 (3)	C15—C14—C8	119.5 (3)
C8—C7—C6	121.7 (3)	C20—C17—C13	121.4 (3)
C7—C8—C9	123.2 (3)		

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

$D-H \cdots A$	$D-H$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D-H \cdots A$
O1—H1 $\cdots$ O3 <sup>i</sup>	0.82	2.07	2.850 (3)	160
O2—H2O $\cdots$ O5 <sup>ii</sup>	0.82	1.99	2.807 (3)	172
O3—H3O $\cdots$ O2	0.82	1.95	2.669 (3)	146
O5—H5 $\cdots$ O1 <sup>iii</sup>	0.82	1.83	2.620 (3)	162
O6—H6 $\cdots$ O9	0.82	2.37	3.146 (4)	158
O7—H7 $\cdots$ O8 <sup>iv</sup>	0.82	2.02	2.817 (3)	165
O8—H8 $\cdots$ O9 <sup>v</sup>	0.82	2.01	2.819 (4)	168
O9—H9OB $\cdots$ O6 <sup>vi</sup>	0.822 (10)	2.070 (11)	2.892 (4)	180 (6)
O9—H9OA $\cdots$ O7 <sup>vii</sup>	0.822 (10)	2.053 (14)	2.862 (4)	168 (4)

Symmetry codes: (i)  $1+x, y, z$ ; (ii)  $1-x, \frac{1}{2}+y, \frac{1}{2}-z$ ; (iii)  $1-x, y-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}-z$ ; (iv)  $x-\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}-y, -z$ ; (v)  $\frac{1}{2}+x, -\frac{1}{2}-y, -z$ ; (vi)  $x-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}-y, -z$ ; (vii)  $x-1, y, z$ .

Atoms H90A and H90B were located by difference Fourier synthesis, the remaining H atoms were placed in geometrically calculated positions. All H atoms were included in the final refinement and allowed to ride on their parent atoms with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{parent})$ . Friedel reflections were merged before the final refinement and only the relative stereochemistry is shown in the Scheme and Figures; the absolute configuration can not be determined reliably in this experiment.

Data collection: *XSCANS* (Siemens, 1994); cell refinement: *XSCANS*; data reduction: *XSCANS*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *XP* in *SHELXTL/PC* (Siemens, 1991); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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