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#### Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 293 KMean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.004 Å R factor = 0.036 wR factor = 0.081 Data-to-parameter ratio = 9.2

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# 1'-Deoxy-1'-hydroxymethyl-1,2'-O-isopropylidene- $\beta$ -D-arabinofuranose

The six-membered ring of the title compound,  $C_9H_{16}O_5$ , adopts a chair conformation, while the furanose fivemembered ring has an envelope conformation. The packing is stabilized by a two-dimensional network of intermolecular hydrogen bonds.

### Comment

C-Glycosides have received much attention recently as synthetic building blocks or as mimics of the naturally occurring compounds (Jimenez-Barbero et al., 2001; Du & Linhardt, 1998; Postema, 1995; Levy & Tang, 1995). Nucleosides with a methylene or an ethylene linker between the carbohydrate and the nucleobase have been prepared for antiviral screening or for incorporation into antisense sequences (Boal et al., 1996; Doboszewski, 1997; Efimtseva et al., 1995; Hossain et al., 1996). A novel approach (Doboszewski, 1997) to obtaining a carbohydrate substrate suitable for conversion into nucleosides is shown in the Scheme below. Easy separation of anomers was possible after the final isopropylidenation step, because the product (II) does not react with acetone. The target product, (I), was also obtained via acid-catalyzed dehydration of D-mannitol or 1,6-di-O-benzoyl-D-mannitol, followed by isopropylidenation (Koerner et al., 1977). Acetonide (I) crystallized spontaneously upon standing in a refrigerator, yielding well-formed crystals which were subjected to X-ray study. Some further results dealing with the synthesis of C-glycosyl substrates with the lyxo configuration, suitable for conversion into C-analogues of the nucleoside, have recently been published (Doboszewski, 2002).



The bond distances in (I) are in good agreement with values observed in related compounds (Allen et al., 1987). The sixmembered ring adopts a chair conformation, while the fivemembered ring has an envelope conformation with the C3

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3 standard reflections

every 100 reflections

intensity decay: <1%

 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.039P)^2]$ 

+ 0.0294P] where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ 

 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$ 

 $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.13 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ 

 $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.15 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$ 





View of the molecule of (I), showing the atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.





atom located out of the least-squares plane of the other four atoms. The packing is stabilized by a two-dimensional network of hydrogen bonds, employing both hydroxy groups of compound (I). The shortest  $C-H \cdots O$  contact is longer than 3.45 Å and can hardly play a significant role in intermolecular interactions.

## **Experimental**

Compound (I) crystallized spontaneously after chromatographic purification with a chloroform-methanol mixture (gradient from 100:1 to 10:1), upon standing in the refrigerator, to yield well-formed prismatic crystals; m.p. 388–390 K,  $[\alpha]_D$  27° (c 1.5, EtOH). Other experimental details are shown in the Scheme.

### Crystal data

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$C_9H_{16}O_5$	$D_x = 1.371 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$M_r = 204.22$	Mo Kα radiation
Aonoclinic, P2 <sub>1</sub>	Cell parameters from 24
a = 6.227 (5)  Å	reflections
P = 9.817 (8)  Å	$\theta = 12 - 13^{\circ}$
= 8.292 (5) Å	$\mu = 0.11 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$B = 102.56 (5)^{\circ}$	T = 293 (2)  K
V = 494.8 (6) Å <sup>3</sup>	Prism, colourless
Z = 2	$0.32$ $\times$ $0.28$ $\times$ $0.27$ mm
Data collection	
Siemens P4 diffractometer	$\theta_{\rm max} = 27.6^{\circ}$
o scans	$h = 0 \rightarrow 8$
Absorption correction: none	$k = 0 \rightarrow 12$
315 measured reflections	$l = -10 \rightarrow 10$

1315 measured reflections 1211 independent reflections 1007 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$  $R_{\rm int} = 0.019$ 

## Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$  $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.036$ wR(F<sup>2</sup>) = 0.081 S = 1.061211 reflections 131 parameters H-atom parameters constrained

#### Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

O1-C5	1.437 (3)	O4-C7	1.424 (3)
O1-C2	1.439 (3)	C1-C2	1.519 (3)
O3-C1	1.426 (3)	C2-C3	1.522 (3)
O3-C7	1.438 (3)	C3-C4	1.524 (3)
O4-C3	1.422 (3)	C4-C5	1.531 (3)
C5-O1-C2	110.59 (18)	O4-C3-C2	111.74 (18)
C1-O3-C7	114.25 (17)	C2-C3-C4	102.5 (2)
C3-O4-C7	115.70 (17)	C3-C4-C5	103.07 (17)
O3-C1-C2	112.20 (19)	O1-C5-C4	106.25 (19)
O1-C2-C3	105.33 (19)	O4-C7-O3	108.64 (19)
C1-C2-C3	113.0 (2)		

### Table 2

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	<i>D</i> -H	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - H \cdots A$
$\begin{array}{c} O2 - H2B \cdots O5^{i} \\ O5 - H5B \cdots O3^{ii} \end{array}$	0.82 0.82	2.02 2.05	2.800 (4) 2.853 (4)	158 166
Symmetry codes: (i) 1	$-r v - \frac{1}{2} 1 -$	7. (ii) $2 - r^{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{1}{2}$	$v_{2} = z_{1}$	

The absolute configuration was known from the synthetic route; there were no Friedel pairs in the data set. All H atoms were fixed geometrically and allowed to ride on their parent C and O atoms.

Data collection: P4 Software (Siemens, 1995); cell refinement: P4 Software; data reduction: P4 Software; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS86 (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: ORTEP-3 for Windows (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: PLATON (Spek, 1990).

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