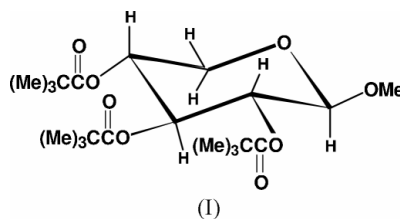


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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
T = 100 K
Mean $\sigma(C-C)$ = 0.003 Å
R factor = 0.039
wR factor = 0.094
Data-to-parameter ratio = 8.3For details of how these key indicators were
automatically derived from the article, see
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.Methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-pivaloyl- β -D-xylopyranosideThe crystal structure of the title compound, C₂₁H₃₆O₈, has been determined by X-ray analysis at 100 K. The six-membered pyranosyl ring adopts a chair conformation.Received 9 September 2004
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Comment

Several series of acylated monosaccharides, the acyl groups being pivaloyls, acetyls or a combination of the two, have been synthesized (Ljevaković *et al.*, 1992; Tomić *et al.*, 1991; Petrović *et al.*, 2002). One of the series of acylated monosaccharides previously prepared was that of methyl β -D-xylopyranoside, of which methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-pivaloyl- β -D-xylopyranoside, (I), is the completely acylated analog (Petrović *et al.*, 1997). In carbohydrates, the hydroxyl groups are of comparable reactivity. Therefore, continued interest exists in investigating the characteristics of protective groups such as acyls in order to find suitable conditions to transform these molecules in a selective manner. The pivaloyl group is of special interest since it can be introduced into carbohydrates regioselectively, making further transformations selective as well. It can also be removed selectively by enzymes isolated from mammalian sera (Petrović *et al.*, 1997; Tomić *et al.*, 1991). Therefore, hydroxyl-group protection by pivaloyls leads to interesting new substrates in the investigation of enzymes as catalysts in organic synthesis.The structure of methyl β -D-xylopyranoside was determined by X-ray analysis (Brown *et al.*, 1996) and by neutron diffraction methods (Takagi & Jeffrey, 1977). Several crystal structures of methyl β -D-xylopyranoside substituted at positions 2, 3 and 4 have been published, *e.g.* methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzoyl- β -D-xylopyranoside (Vangehr *et al.*, 1980) and methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-acetyl- β -methyl-D-xylopyranoside (James & Stevens, 1981). We have previously reported the crystal structure of the 3,4-substituted compound methyl 3,4-di-*O*-pivaloyl- β -D-xylopyranoside (Prugovečki *et al.*, 2004). It is interesting to compare the geometrical parameters of (I) with those in the crystal structures of methyl β -D-xylopyranosides with substituents at positions 2, 3 and 4. The bond lengths within the pyranoside moiety agree with the values reported by Vangehr *et al.* (1980) and James & Stevens (1981). The

anomeric effect can be seen, with the anomeric C1—O1 bond length slightly shorter than the endocyclic C1—O5 and C5—O5 bonds. The six-membered ring in (I) adopts the β - 4C_1 conformation with a slightly distorted chair geometry. The puckering parameters are $q_2 = 0.016$ (2) Å, $q_3 = 0.615$ (2) Å, $\varphi_2 = 79$ (6)°, $Q = 0.616$ (2) Å and $\Theta = 1.4$ (2)° (Cremer & Pople, 1975). The same conformation is found in methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-acetyl- β -methyl-D-xylopyranoside (James & Stevens, 1981); however, in methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzoyl- β -D-xylopyranoside (Vangehr *et al.*, 1980), the pyranosyl ring adopts a twist-boat conformation due to the large benzoyl groups. The molecules are connected only by van der Waals contacts.

Experimental

The title compound was synthesized according to the method of Petrović *et al.* (1997).

Crystal data

C₂₁H₃₆O₈
M_r = 416.50
 Monoclinic, *P*₂₁
a = 9.828 (1) Å
b = 6.849 (1) Å
c = 17.634 (1) Å
 β = 96.36 (1)°
V = 1179.7 (2) Å³
Z = 2

D_x = 1.173 Mg m⁻³
 Mo *K* α radiation
 Cell parameters from 1573 reflections
 θ = 15.0–25.0°
 μ = 0.09 mm⁻¹
T = 100 (2) K
 Prism, colorless
 0.3 × 0.3 × 0.2 mm

Data collection

Oxford Diffraction Xcalibur CCD diffractometer
 ω scans
 Absorption correction: none
 38147 measured reflections
 3376 independent reflections

3234 reflections with *I* > 2 σ (*I*)
*R*_{int} = 0.088
 θ _{max} = 29.0°
h = -13 → 13
k = -9 → 9
l = -24 → 24

Refinement

Refinement on *F*²
R [*F*² > 2 σ (*F*²)] = 0.039
wR(*F*²) = 0.094
S = 1.14
 3376 reflections
 406 parameters
 All H-atom parameters refined

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0504P)^2 + 0.2141P]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.37 \text{ e } \text{Å}^{-3}$
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.21 \text{ e } \text{Å}^{-3}$

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

O1—C1	1.3881 (19)	O5—C5	1.431 (2)
O2—C2	1.4352 (18)	C1—C2	1.524 (2)
O3—C3	1.443 (2)	C2—C3	1.527 (2)
O4—C4	1.4421 (19)	C3—C4	1.515 (2)
O5—C1	1.4278 (19)	C4—C5	1.527 (2)
C1—O5—C5	110.88 (12)	O3—C3—C4	109.13 (13)
O1—C1—O5	108.55 (12)	O3—C3—C2	108.55 (14)
O1—C1—C2	108.35 (14)	C4—C3—C2	107.77 (12)
O5—C1—C2	108.59 (12)	O4—C4—C3	108.50 (12)
O2—C2—C1	108.51 (12)	O4—C4—C5	108.97 (15)
O2—C2—C3	108.88 (12)	C3—C4—C5	109.00 (13)
C1—C2—C3	108.82 (13)	O5—C5—C4	109.61 (14)

H atoms were found in a difference Fourier map and refined isotropically, giving C—H distances in the range 0.918 (2)–1.03 (3) Å. The absolute configuration could not be determined from the

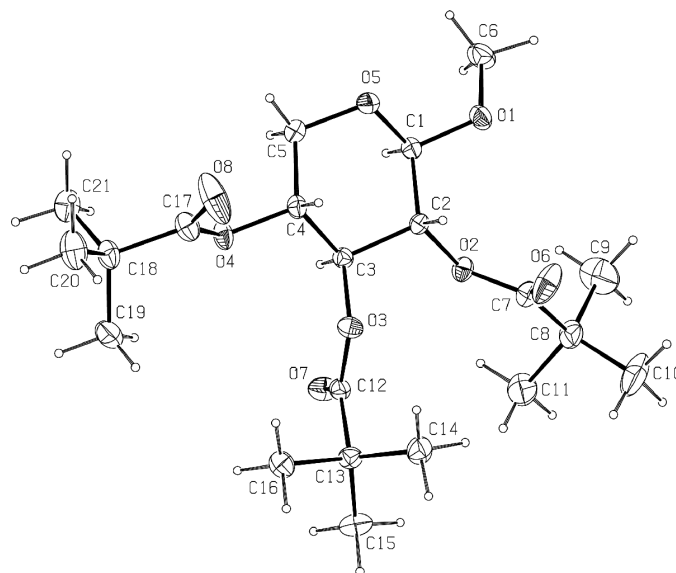


Figure 1

View of methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-pivaloyl- β -D-xylopyranoside with the atom-labeling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.

diffraction data because of the absence of significant anomalous scatterers; Friedel equivalents were merged in the final refinement and the absolute configuration was assigned in accordance with the known chirality of the methyl β -D-xylopyranoside precursor.

Data collection: *CrysAlis CCD* (Oxford Diffraction, 2003); cell refinement: *CrysAlis RED* (Oxford Diffraction, 2003); data reduction: *CrysAlis RED*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SIR97* (Altomare *et al.*, 1999); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *PLATON98* (Spek, 2003); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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