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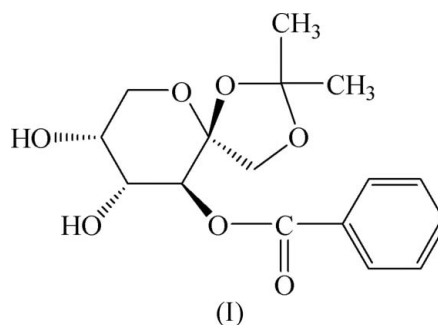
## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 173$  K  
Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.005$  Å  
Disorder in main residue  
 $R$  factor = 0.041  
 $wR$  factor = 0.103  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 7.0For details of how these key indicators were  
automatically derived from the article, see  
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.3-*O*-Benzoyl-1,2-*O*-isopropylidene- $\beta$ -*D*-  
fructopyranose

In the structure of the title compound,  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_7$ , the five-membered 1,3-dioxolane ring is disordered with two different positions, *A* and *B* (1/1); it adopts the  ${}^{\circ}T_4$  conformation slightly distorted towards  $E_4$  for molecule *A*, and the  ${}^1E$  conformation distorted towards  ${}^1T_O$  for molecule *B*. The pyranose ring adopts an almost ideal  ${}^1C_4$  conformation. The three-dimensional packing is stabilized by strong intermolecular  $\text{O}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  interactions and weak  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  hydrogen bonds.

## Comment

Mono- or di-*O*-isopropylidenated fructopyranoses and fructofuranoses can be suitably modified at unprotected hydroxy groups, affording useful intermediates or starting synthetic blocks for the preparation of various carbohydrate derivatives. Many of them are analogues of significant biologically active compounds (Chery & Murphy, 2004; Izquierdo *et al.*, 2002; Tatibouët *et al.*, 2000; Furneaux *et al.*, 1993) and are also used for detailed structural studies including X-ray analysis (Yu *et al.*, 2005; Ataie *et al.*, 2000; Yu *et al.*, 2002; Ďurík *et al.*, 2001).



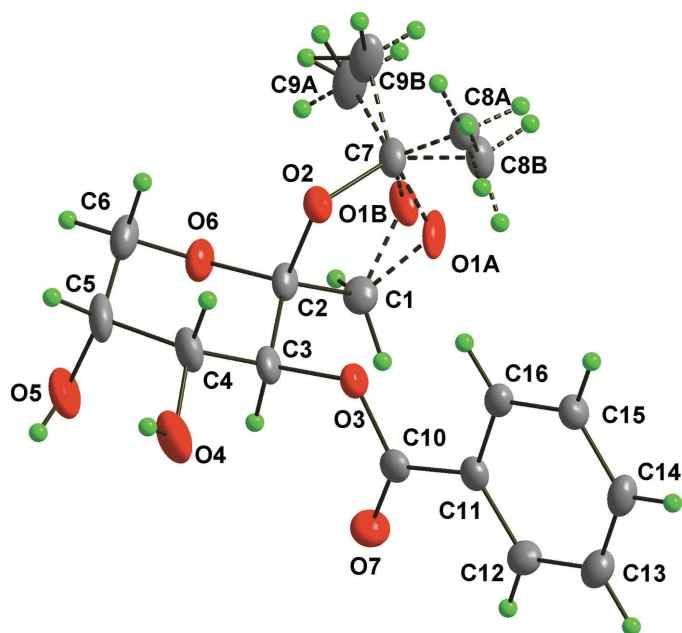
Although the preparation of the title compound, (I), has already been described (Fischer & Noth, 1918; Tian *et al.*, 2001), there is some disagreement regarding its physico-chemical data as well as its unambiguous spectroscopic characterization. For example, Fischer & Noth (1918) give for (I) a melting point of 475–477 K, while Tian *et al.* (2001) describe this compound as an oil. As a part of an investigation of fructopyranose and fructofuranose derivatives, we present here an unambiguous structure determination of (I) using X-ray analysis. The fully interpreted NMR spectra are also presented.

The molecular structure of (I) is illustrated in Fig. 1 [the numbering of atoms in the saccharide group corresponds to the numbering according to the IUPAC Nomenclature of Carbohydrates (McNaught, 1996)], and selected bond

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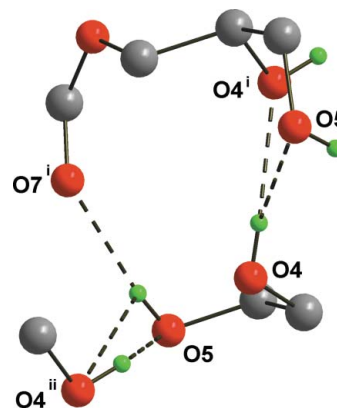


**Figure 1**

A perspective drawing of (I), showing the atom-numbering scheme. Atomic displacement ellipsoids are shown at the 30% probability level. Both disorder components are shown.

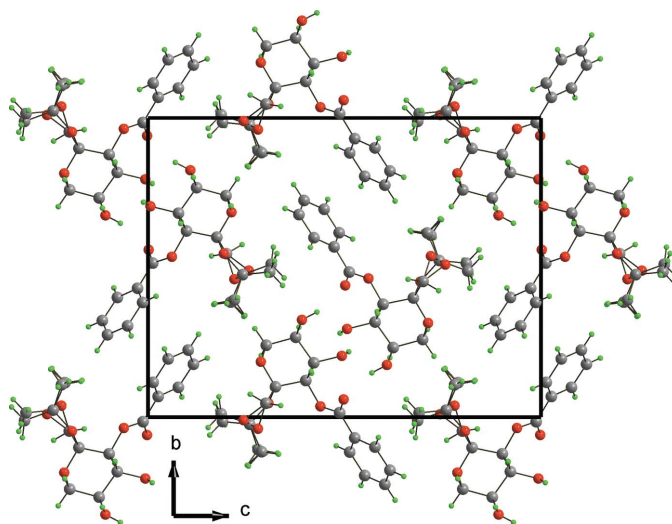
distances and angles are given in Table 1. Note that the dioxolane ring is disordered, with occupancy 50% for both components, denoted *A* and *B*. The puckering parameters (Cremer & Pople, 1975)  $Q = 0.320$  (5) Å and  $\varphi = 337.3$  (6)°, and the relevant dihedral angles  $O1A-C1-C2-O2 = 8.0$  (4)°,  $C1-C2-O2-C7 = 14.4$  (3)°,  $C2-O2-C7-O1A = -30.6$  (4)°,  $O2-C7-O1A-C1 = 35.5$  (5)°,  $C7-O1A-C1-C2 = -27.5$  (5)° are indicative of the  ${}^oT_4$  ( ${}^{O1A}T_{C7}$ ) conformation slightly distorted towards the  $E_4$  ( $E_{C7}$ ) conformation for  $O1A-C1-C2-O2-C7$  five-membered 1,3-dioxolane ring in part *A* of (I). Considering the values of the relevant torsion angles  $O1B-C1-C2-O2 = -26.5$  (4)°,  $C1-C2-O2-C7 = 14.4$  (3)°,  $C2-O2-C7-O1B = -3.0$  (4)°,  $O2-C7-O1B-C1 = -19.8$  (5)°,  $C7-O1B-C1-C2 = 28.3$  (5)°, and the puckering parameters  $Q = 0.270$  (4) Å and  $\varphi = 210.1$  (8)°, the analogous  $O1B-C1-C2-O2-C7$  five-membered ring in part *B* adopts an  ${}^1E$  ( ${}^{C1}E$ ) conformation distorted towards  ${}^1T_O$  ( ${}^{C1}T_{O1B}$ ). Although the spiro fusion of the pyranose ring and the 1,3-dioxolane ring at atom C2 (anomeric position of fructopyranose and simultaneously C4-position of 1,3-dioxolane) imposes some rigidity on (I), its influence on the conformation of the  $O6-C2-C6$  pyranose ring is minimal. Considering the values of the puckering parameters  $Q = 0.554$  (4) Å,  $\theta = 177.2$  (4)° and  $\varphi = 180$  (7)°, as well as the values of the relevant torsion angles  $O6-C2-C3-C4 = -55.8$  (4)°,  $C2-C3-C4-C5 = 52.0$  (4)°,  $C3-C4-C5-C6 = -50.8$  (5)°,  $C4-C5-C6-O6 = 55.5$  (5)°,  $C5-C6-O6-C2 = -61.8$  (4)° and  $C6-O6-C2-C3 = 59.7$  (4)°, this ring adopts an almost ideal  ${}^1C_4$  ( ${}^{C1}C_{C5}$ ) conformation for both disordered forms of the molecule (*A* and *B*).

There are four strong intermolecular  $O-H\cdots O$  hydrogen bonds in the crystal structure of (I), with atoms O4 and O5 as donors, and atoms O4, O5 and O7 as acceptors. Atoms C3 and



**Figure 2**

Hydrogen bonding (dashed lines) in (I). Only relevant structural fragments are depicted.



**Figure 3**

A projection of the structure of (I) along the *a* axis.

C9A act as donors for weak intramolecular and intermolecular  $C-H\cdots O$  interactions. This situation is illustrated in Figs. 2 and 3 and more details of the hydrogen bonding are given in Table 2.

## Experimental

Compound (I) was prepared from 3-*O*-benzoyl-1,2:4,5-di-*O*-isopropylidene- $\beta$ -D-fructopyranose synthesized in two steps (isopropylideneation and benzylation) from D-fructose (Wang *et al.*, 1997; Tian *et al.*, 2001) using selective acid hydrolysis according to the procedure described by Lichtenhaler *et al.* (1985).  ${}^1H$  NMR (300 MHz,  $CD_3OD$ ):  $\delta$  7.38–8.12 (*m*, 5H, aromatics), 5.47 (*d*, 1H,  $J_{3,4} = 10.1$  Hz, H3), 4.07 (*dd*, 1H,  $J_{4,5} = 3.4$  Hz, H4), 4.04 (*dd*, 1H,  $J_{5,6a} = 1.0$  Hz,  $J_{6a,6b} = 12.5$  Hz, H6a), 3.96 (*ddd*, 1H,  $J_{5,6b} = 1.7$  Hz, H5), 3.96 and 3.90 (*2d* of ABq, each 1H,  $J = 9.2$  Hz, H1), 3.75 (*dd*, 1H, H6b), 1.47 and 1.37 (*2s*, each 3H,  $Me_2C$ );  ${}^{13}C$  NMR (75 MHz,  $CD_3OD$ ):  $\delta$  168.0 (CO), 134.5 (C4'), 131.2 (C1'), 130.9 (C2' and C6'), 129.6 (C3' and C5'), 113.0 (CMe<sub>2</sub>), 106.3 (C2), 73.0 (C1), 71.5 (C5), 71.1 (C3), 70.5 (C4), 66.0 (C6), 26.9 and 26.7 [(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C] (the data for the benzoyl group are identified by a prime). Colourless single crystals of adequate quality for diffraction analysis were obtained by slow crystallization from ethanol by cooling in a refrigerator.

Crystal data

C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>7</sub>  
*M<sub>r</sub>* = 324.32  
 Orthorhombic, *P*2<sub>1</sub>2<sub>1</sub>2<sub>1</sub>  
*a* = 5.5771 (1) Å  
*b* = 14.6164 (3) Å  
*c* = 19.2112 (4) Å  
*V* = 1566.04 (5) Å<sup>3</sup>  
*Z* = 4  
*D<sub>x</sub>* = 1.376 Mg m<sup>-3</sup>

Mo *K*α radiation  
 Cell parameters from 5729 reflections  
 $\theta$  = 1.8–25.4°  
 $\mu$  = 0.11 mm<sup>-1</sup>  
*T* = 173 (2) K  
 Needle, colourless  
 1.00 × 0.06 × 0.04 mm

Data collection

Siemens SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer  
 $\omega$  scans  
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SADABS*; Sheldrick, 2002)  
*T<sub>min</sub>* = 0.766, *T<sub>max</sub>* = 0.996  
 17488 measured reflections

1700 independent reflections  
 1306 reflections with *I* > 2σ(*I*)  
*R<sub>int</sub>* = 0.073  
 $\theta_{\text{max}}$  = 25.4°  
*h* = -6 → 6  
*k* = -17 → 17  
*l* = -23 → 23

Refinement

Refinement on *F*<sup>2</sup>  
*R* [*F*<sup>2</sup> > 2σ(*F*<sup>2</sup>)] = 0.041  
*wR* (*F*<sup>2</sup>) = 0.103  
*S* = 0.99  
 1700 reflections  
 244 parameters  
 H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0461P)^2 + 0.7147P]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.001$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.19 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.19 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 Extinction correction: *SHELXTL97*  
 Extinction coefficient: 0.014 (2)

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

C1–O1A	1.400 (5)	O3–C3	1.455 (4)
C1–O1B	1.452 (5)	O6–C2	1.417 (4)
C1–C2	1.514 (5)	O7–C10	1.207 (4)
O1A–C7	1.438 (5)	C2–C3	1.512 (5)
O1B–C7	1.433 (5)	C3–C4	1.501 (5)
O2–C2	1.407 (4)	C4–C5	1.530 (5)
O2–C7	1.441 (4)	C5–C6	1.491 (6)
O3–C10	1.338 (4)	C10–C11	1.481 (5)
C1–O1A–C7	107.0 (4)	C2–O6–C6	112.9 (3)
C7–O1B–C1	104.6 (3)	O2–C2–C1	103.8 (2)
C2–O2–C7	109.6 (2)	O6–C2–C3	108.7 (3)
C10–O3–C3	119.0 (3)	O3–C10–C11	112.4 (3)

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

<i>D</i> –H... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> –H	H... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> ... <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> –H... <i>A</i>
O4–H4...O4 <sup>i</sup>	0.84	2.33	3.093 (5)	151
O4–H4...O5 <sup>i</sup>	0.84	2.29	2.951 (5)	136
O5–H5...O4 <sup>ii</sup>	0.84	2.66	2.951 (5)	102
O5–H5...O7 <sup>i</sup>	0.84	2.05	2.855 (4)	160
C3–H3...O7	1.00	2.29	2.725 (5)	105
C9A–H9A1...O5 <sup>iii</sup>	0.98	2.47	3.41 (2)	160

Symmetry codes: (i)  $x - \frac{1}{2}, -y + \frac{3}{2}, -z + 2$ ; (ii)  $x + \frac{1}{2}, -y + \frac{3}{2}, -z + 2$ ; (iii)  $-x + 1, y + \frac{1}{2}, -z + \frac{3}{2}$ .

The absolute configuration at chiral atoms C2, C3, C4 and C5 in (I) was assigned on the basis of the known arrangement in the starting material 1,2:4,5-di-*O*-isopropylidene-β-*D*-fructopyranose (Takagi *et al.*, 1973), because benzylation at atom O3 as well as hydrolysis of the isopropylidene group at atoms O4 and O5 does not affect the arrangement of atoms O3, O4 and O5 with respect to the pyranose ring in the reaction product (I). H atoms were constrained to an ideal geometry using an appropriate riding model. The C–H distances were kept fixed at 0.95 Å for aromatic H atoms, 0.99 Å for secondary H atoms and 1.00 Å for tertiary atoms. For the methyl groups, the C–H distances (0.98 Å) and C–C–H angles (109.5°) were kept fixed, while the torsion angles were allowed to refine with the starting position based on the threefold averaged circular Fourier synthesis. The *U*<sub>iso</sub>(H) values were set at 1.5*U*<sub>eq</sub>(C,O) for methyl and O-bound H atoms, and 1.2*U*<sub>eq</sub>(C) for all other H atoms.

Data collection: *SMART* (Siemens, 1995); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Siemens, 1995); data reduction: *SAINT* and *SADABS* (Sheldrick, 2002); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXTL* (Bruker, 2001); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXTL*; molecular graphics: *DIAMOND* (Brandenburg, 2005); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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