

## 2-C-Hydroxymethyl-2,3-O-isopropylidene- $\beta$ -D-erythrofuranose

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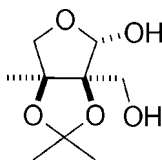
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 150$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.003$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.031;  $wR$  factor = 0.074; data-to-parameter ratio = 10.5.

The relative configuration of the title compound,  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_5$ , has been firmly established by X-ray crystallographic analysis. The absolute configuration of this sugar was determined by the use of 2-C-methyl-D-ribofuranose-1,4-lactone as the starting material. The structure exists as a hydrogen-bonded network, with each molecule being a donor and an acceptor for two hydrogen bonds.

### Related literature

For related literature, see: Booth *et al.* (2007*a,b,c*); Booth, Best *et al.* (2007); Booth, Watkin *et al.* (2007); Chapleur & Chrétien (1997); Ho (1978); Hotchkiss *et al.* (2006, 2007); Jones *et al.* (2007); Koos & Mosher (1986); Mitchell *et al.* (2007); Soengas *et al.* (2005).



### Experimental

#### Crystal data

$\text{C}_9\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_5$

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$c = 14.1345$  (5) Å

$V = 995.18$  (5) Å<sup>3</sup>

$Z = 4$

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation

$\mu = 0.11$  mm<sup>-1</sup>

$T = 150$  K

$0.40 \times 0.15 \times 0.15$  mm

#### Data collection

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Absorption correction: multi-scan (*DENZO/SCALEPACK*);

Otwinowski & Minor, 1997)

$T_{\min} = 0.89$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.98$

6798 measured reflections

1329 independent reflections

1174 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$

$R_{\text{int}} = 0.030$

#### Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.031$

$wR(F^2) = 0.074$

$S = 0.94$

1329 reflections

127 parameters

H-atom parameters constrained

$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.23$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.21$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

**Table 1**

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

| $D-H\cdots A$                     | $D-H$ | $H\cdots A$ | $D\cdots A$ | $D-H\cdots A$ |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| O11—H15 $\cdots$ O14 <sup>i</sup> | 0.85  | 1.88        | 2.724 (2)   | 172           |
| O14—H16 $\cdots$ O3 <sup>ii</sup> | 0.86  | 2.07        | 2.867 (2)   | 154           |

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

Data collection: *COLLECT* (Nonius, 2001); cell refinement: *DENZO/SCALEPACK* (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997); data reduction: *DENZO/SCALEPACK*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SIR92* (Altomare *et al.*, 1994); program(s) used to refine structure: *CRYSTALS* (Betteridge *et al.*, 2003); molecular graphics: *CAMERON* (Watkin *et al.*, 1996); software used to prepare material for publication: *CRYSTALS*.

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### Comment

Singly branched sugars have been found in nature and their occurrence has prompted interest in their synthesis and biological evaluation (Chapleur & Chrétien, 1997). For example, 2-*C*-substituted mannose derivatives have been shown to have therapeutic potential (Mitchell *et al.*, 2007). The Kiliani reaction of ketoses with cyanide (Hotchkiss *et al.*, 2006, Soengas *et al.*, 2005) and calcium oxide treatment of Amadori compounds have proved to be valuable routes towards branched sugars (Hotchkiss *et al.*, 2006, 2007). In addition the Aldol reaction using formaldehyde and potassium carbonate can be used to introduce hydroxymethyl branches to sugars, for example in the synthesis of hamamalose (Ho, 1978) and apiose (Koos & Mosher, 1986).

Sugars containing more than one branch are very rare. Examples of sugars that contain two carbon branches include 2,4-dimethyl-3,4-*O*-isopropylidene-*L*-arabinono-1,5-lactone (Booth, Watkin *et al.*, 2007) and various protected forms of 3,5-di-*C*-methyl-mannono and glucono lactone (Booth *et al.*, 2007*a*, 2007*b*, 2007*c*). 2,3-*C*-Dimethyl-*D*-allono-1,4-lactone (Jones *et al.*, 2007) is an example of a sugar with adjacent branching centres.

The crystal structure of the title compound (Fig. 1) exists as a three dimensionally hydrogen bonded lattice with each molecule being both a donor and an acceptor for two hydrogen bonds (Fig. 2).

### Experimental

Protected 3-*C*-methyl-*L*-erythrose (Booth, Best *et al.*, 2007) **2**, derived from 2-*C*-methyl-*D*-ribo-1,4-lactone **1**, was treated with potassium carbonate and an excess of formaldehyde (Fig. 3). This gave a single product **3**, a mixture of anomers in solution, which was found to crystallize as the pure  $\beta$  form (Fig. 1). The title compound was recrystallized from methanol; m.p. 337–343 K;  $[\alpha]_D^{21} +66.2$  (*c*, 1.34 in acetone).

### Refinement

In the absence of significant anomalous scattering, Friedel pairs were merged and the absolute configuration was assigned on the basis of the starting material.

The H atoms were all located in a difference map, but those attached to carbon atoms were repositioned geometrically. The H atoms were initially refined with soft restraints on the bond lengths and angles to regularize their geometry (C—H in the range 0.93–0.98, O—H = 0.82 Å) and  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H})$  (in the range 1.2–1.5 times  $U_{\text{eq}}$  of the parent atom), after which the positions were refined with riding constraints.

Figures

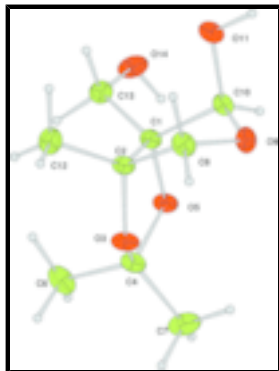


Fig. 1. The molecular structure of the title compound with displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level. H atoms are shown as spheres of arbitrary radius.

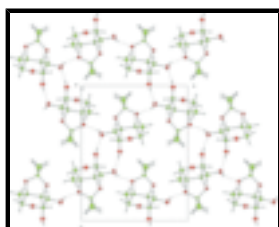


Fig. 2. Packing of the title compound projected along the *a*-axis. Hydrogen bonds are shown as dotted lines.

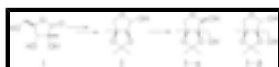


Fig. 3. The reaction scheme.

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$k = -14 \rightarrow 14$   
 $l = -18 \rightarrow 18$

### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$

Least-squares matrix: full

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Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods

Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites

H-atom parameters constrained

$$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F^2) + (0.04P)^2 + 0.26P],$$

where  $P = [\max(F_o^2, 0) + 2F_c^2]/3$

$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.0003$

$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.23 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.21 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

Extinction correction: none

### Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )

|      | x            | y            | z            | $U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$ |
|------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------------------------------|
| C1   | 0.4004 (3)   | 0.62732 (15) | 0.82157 (12) | 0.0170                           |
| C2   | 0.4011 (3)   | 0.48976 (15) | 0.80312 (11) | 0.0175                           |
| O3   | 0.4963 (2)   | 0.47844 (10) | 0.71058 (7)  | 0.0207                           |
| C4   | 0.5033 (3)   | 0.59116 (14) | 0.66416 (11) | 0.0192                           |
| O5   | 0.4968 (2)   | 0.67791 (10) | 0.73859 (8)  | 0.0190                           |
| C6   | 0.3161 (4)   | 0.60448 (18) | 0.59812 (14) | 0.0310                           |
| C7   | 0.7142 (3)   | 0.60183 (18) | 0.61403 (15) | 0.0297                           |
| C8   | 0.5634 (3)   | 0.44334 (16) | 0.87399 (12) | 0.0220                           |
| O9   | 0.70020 (19) | 0.54266 (11) | 0.89385 (8)  | 0.0226                           |
| C10  | 0.5609 (3)   | 0.64203 (16) | 0.90340 (11) | 0.0194                           |
| O11  | 0.4474 (2)   | 0.63675 (12) | 0.98858 (8)  | 0.0255                           |
| C12  | 0.1885 (3)   | 0.42543 (16) | 0.80539 (13) | 0.0238                           |
| C13  | 0.1860 (3)   | 0.68450 (15) | 0.83936 (13) | 0.0203                           |
| O14  | 0.2049 (2)   | 0.80853 (11) | 0.86261 (9)  | 0.0251                           |
| H61  | 0.3262       | 0.6813       | 0.5628       | 0.0499*                          |
| H62  | 0.3133       | 0.5390       | 0.5506       | 0.0503*                          |
| H63  | 0.1852       | 0.6027       | 0.6356       | 0.0507*                          |
| H71  | 0.7202       | 0.6830       | 0.5847       | 0.0470*                          |
| H72  | 0.7185       | 0.5393       | 0.5626       | 0.0469*                          |
| H73  | 0.8304       | 0.5901       | 0.6610       | 0.0479*                          |
| H81  | 0.6440       | 0.3754       | 0.8455       | 0.0286*                          |
| H82  | 0.4869       | 0.4191       | 0.9330       | 0.0282*                          |
| H101 | 0.6441       | 0.7203       | 0.8990       | 0.0242*                          |
| H121 | 0.2147       | 0.3398       | 0.7899       | 0.0380*                          |
| H122 | 0.0922       | 0.4610       | 0.7571       | 0.0387*                          |
| H123 | 0.1219       | 0.4341       | 0.8684       | 0.0382*                          |
| H131 | 0.0965       | 0.6764       | 0.7798       | 0.0269*                          |

## supplementary materials

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|------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| H132 | 0.1112 | 0.6441 | 0.8918 | 0.0265* |
| H15  | 0.5366 | 0.6493 | 1.0330 | 0.0412* |
| H16  | 0.3095 | 0.8395 | 0.8319 | 0.0416* |

### Atomic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )

|     | $U^{11}$    | $U^{22}$    | $U^{33}$    | $U^{12}$     | $U^{13}$     | $U^{23}$    |
|-----|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| C1  | 0.0193 (8)  | 0.0180 (8)  | 0.0137 (8)  | -0.0014 (7)  | 0.0007 (6)   | 0.0000 (6)  |
| C2  | 0.0204 (8)  | 0.0182 (8)  | 0.0137 (7)  | -0.0005 (7)  | 0.0018 (7)   | -0.0017 (7) |
| O3  | 0.0293 (7)  | 0.0176 (6)  | 0.0152 (5)  | 0.0020 (6)   | 0.0051 (6)   | -0.0006 (4) |
| C4  | 0.0256 (8)  | 0.0166 (8)  | 0.0154 (7)  | 0.0007 (8)   | 0.0009 (8)   | -0.0020 (6) |
| O5  | 0.0253 (6)  | 0.0170 (5)  | 0.0148 (5)  | -0.0015 (6)  | 0.0035 (5)   | -0.0010 (4) |
| C6  | 0.0360 (11) | 0.0342 (11) | 0.0226 (9)  | -0.0004 (10) | -0.0090 (10) | -0.0014 (9) |
| C7  | 0.0348 (11) | 0.0248 (10) | 0.0294 (10) | -0.0024 (9)  | 0.0138 (9)   | -0.0023 (8) |
| C8  | 0.0253 (9)  | 0.0191 (8)  | 0.0216 (9)  | -0.0010 (8)  | -0.0020 (8)  | -0.0004 (7) |
| O9  | 0.0180 (6)  | 0.0251 (6)  | 0.0247 (6)  | 0.0002 (6)   | -0.0043 (6)  | -0.0013 (5) |
| C10 | 0.0195 (8)  | 0.0219 (8)  | 0.0168 (8)  | -0.0026 (8)  | -0.0017 (7)  | -0.0028 (7) |
| O11 | 0.0274 (7)  | 0.0331 (7)  | 0.0161 (6)  | -0.0020 (6)  | -0.0005 (5)  | -0.0037 (5) |
| C12 | 0.0225 (9)  | 0.0204 (8)  | 0.0285 (9)  | -0.0034 (8)  | -0.0001 (8)  | -0.0015 (8) |
| C13 | 0.0197 (8)  | 0.0191 (8)  | 0.0220 (8)  | 0.0000 (7)   | 0.0015 (7)   | -0.0022 (7) |
| O14 | 0.0284 (7)  | 0.0176 (6)  | 0.0294 (7)  | 0.0011 (6)   | 0.0115 (6)   | -0.0030 (5) |

### Geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ , $^\circ$ )

|            |             |            |             |
|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| C1—C2      | 1.563 (2)   | C7—H73     | 0.996       |
| C1—O5      | 1.437 (2)   | C8—O9      | 1.434 (2)   |
| C1—C10     | 1.543 (2)   | C8—H81     | 0.999       |
| C1—C13     | 1.513 (2)   | C8—H82     | 1.000       |
| C2—O3      | 1.4439 (19) | O9—C10     | 1.423 (2)   |
| C2—C8      | 1.522 (2)   | C10—O11    | 1.400 (2)   |
| C2—C12     | 1.518 (2)   | C10—H101   | 1.023       |
| O3—C4      | 1.4240 (19) | O11—H15    | 0.854       |
| C4—O5      | 1.4329 (19) | C12—H121   | 0.998       |
| C4—C6      | 1.509 (3)   | C12—H122   | 0.996       |
| C4—C7      | 1.507 (3)   | C12—H123   | 0.989       |
| C6—H61     | 0.997       | C13—O14    | 1.433 (2)   |
| C6—H62     | 0.996       | C13—H131   | 1.017       |
| C6—H63     | 0.978       | C13—H132   | 0.987       |
| C7—H71     | 1.001       | O14—H16    | 0.861       |
| C7—H72     | 1.010       |            |             |
| C2—C1—O5   | 104.58 (13) | H71—C7—H73 | 111.6       |
| C2—C1—C10  | 103.22 (14) | H72—C7—H73 | 111.6       |
| O5—C1—C10  | 107.11 (13) | C2—C8—O9   | 105.41 (14) |
| C2—C1—C13  | 116.58 (15) | C2—C8—H81  | 109.6       |
| O5—C1—C13  | 110.13 (14) | O9—C8—H81  | 111.5       |
| C10—C1—C13 | 114.34 (13) | C2—C8—H82  | 108.6       |
| C1—C2—O3   | 103.82 (13) | O9—C8—H82  | 109.6       |
| C1—C2—C8   | 103.23 (14) | H81—C8—H82 | 111.9       |

|            |             |               |             |
|------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| O3—C2—C8   | 106.76 (14) | C8—O9—C10     | 104.90 (12) |
| C1—C2—C12  | 117.54 (16) | C1—C10—O9     | 104.32 (13) |
| O3—C2—C12  | 110.00 (14) | C1—C10—O11    | 107.89 (13) |
| C8—C2—C12  | 114.44 (14) | O9—C10—O11    | 111.21 (14) |
| C2—O3—C4   | 110.63 (12) | C1—C10—H101   | 112.3       |
| O3—C4—O5   | 105.21 (12) | O9—C10—H101   | 110.5       |
| O3—C4—C6   | 110.40 (15) | O11—C10—H101  | 110.4       |
| O5—C4—C6   | 111.41 (15) | C10—O11—H15   | 107.0       |
| O3—C4—C7   | 108.31 (15) | C2—C12—H121   | 107.9       |
| O5—C4—C7   | 108.43 (15) | C2—C12—H122   | 109.3       |
| C6—C4—C7   | 112.75 (14) | H121—C12—H122 | 109.6       |
| C1—O5—C4   | 110.11 (12) | C2—C12—H123   | 110.2       |
| C4—C6—H61  | 110.2       | H121—C12—H123 | 111.2       |
| C4—C6—H62  | 111.0       | H122—C12—H123 | 108.7       |
| H61—C6—H62 | 107.5       | C1—C13—O14    | 112.02 (14) |
| C4—C6—H63  | 108.6       | C1—C13—H131   | 108.5       |
| H61—C6—H63 | 110.0       | O14—C13—H131  | 108.8       |
| H62—C6—H63 | 109.6       | C1—C13—H132   | 110.8       |
| C4—C7—H71  | 107.5       | O14—C13—H132  | 108.1       |
| C4—C7—H72  | 107.9       | H131—C13—H132 | 108.5       |
| H71—C7—H72 | 109.3       | C13—O14—H16   | 109.8       |
| C4—C7—H73  | 108.8       |               |             |

*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> |
|----------------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| O11—H15...O14 <sup>i</sup> | 0.85        | 1.88          | 2.724 (2)             | 172                     |
| O14—H16...O3 <sup>ii</sup> | 0.86        | 2.07          | 2.867 (2)             | 154                     |

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Fig. 1

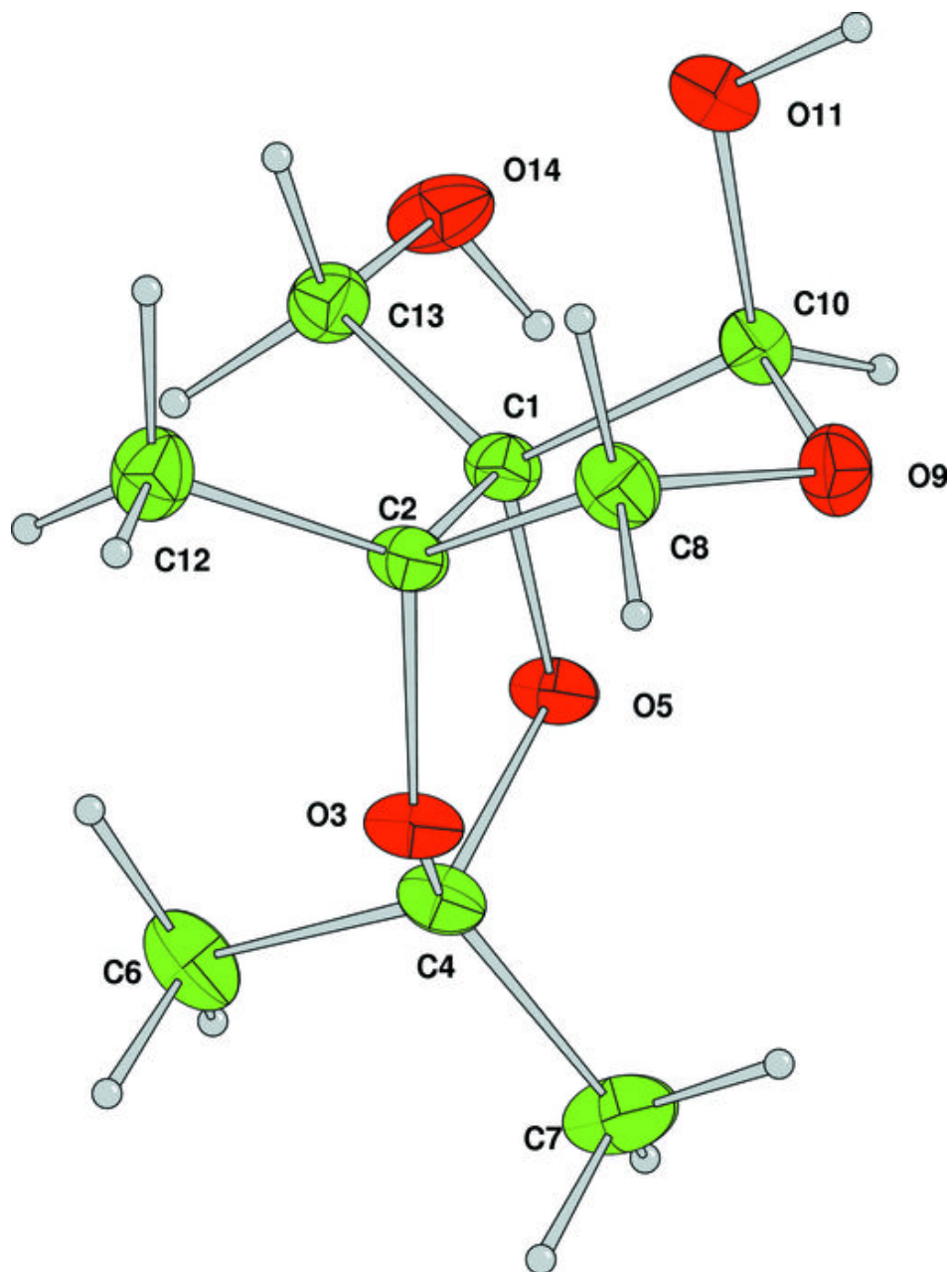




Fig. 2

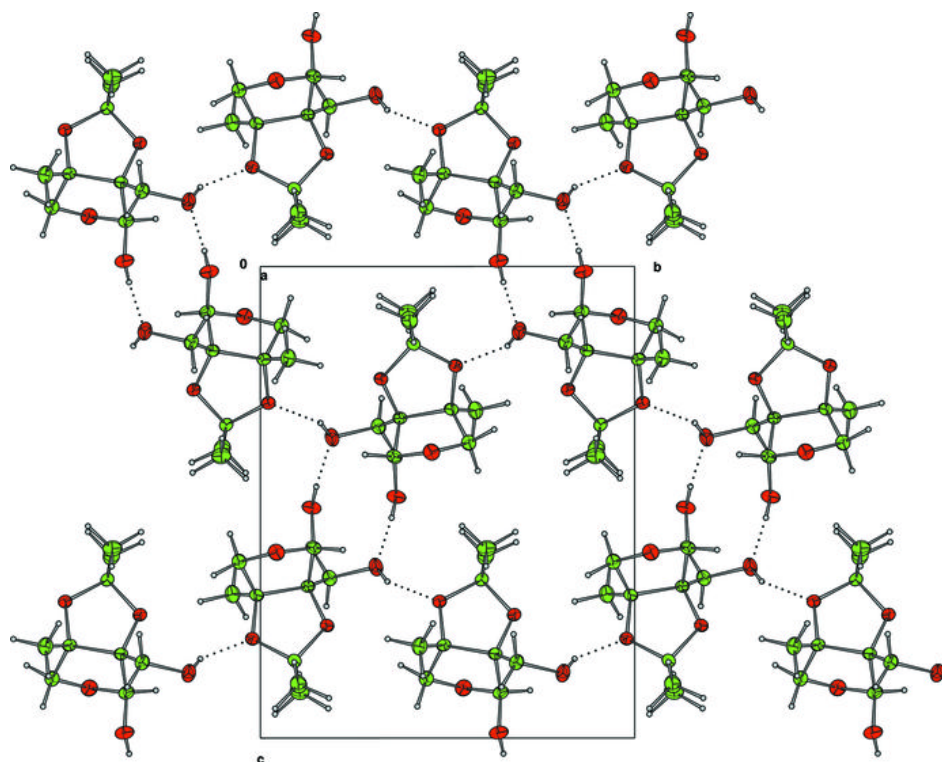


Fig. 3

