

## 1,3,5,7-Tetrabromoadamantane

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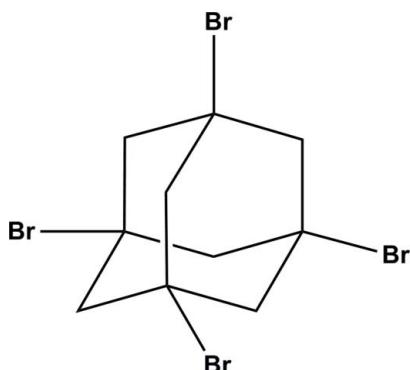
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 296\text{ K}$ ; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.007\text{ \AA}$ ;  $R$  factor = 0.033;  $wR$  factor = 0.077; data-to-parameter ratio = 19.8.

In the pyramidal-shaped molecule of the title compound,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{12}\text{Br}_4$ , the four terminal  $\text{Br}-\text{C}$  bond distances are nearly identical, ranging from 1.964 (4) to 1.974 (4)  $\text{\AA}$ . The  $\text{Br}\cdots\text{Br}$  distance of 3.6553 (7)  $\text{\AA}$  indicates van der Waals contacts between molecules in the crystal structure.

### Related literature

For applications of adamantine compounds, see: Kim *et al.* (2001); Kozhushkov *et al.* (2005); Li *et al.* (2003). For related structures, see: Pedireddi *et al.* (1994); Reddy *et al.* (1995). For the synthesis, see: Murray *et al.* (1989); Migulin & Menger (2001).



### Experimental

#### Crystal data

$\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{12}\text{Br}_4$   
 $M_r = 451.84$   
Monoclinic,  $P2_1/n$   
 $a = 11.7669$  (4)  $\text{\AA}$   
 $b = 9.0612$  (3)  $\text{\AA}$   
 $c = 12.1493$  (4)  $\text{\AA}$   
 $\beta = 98.529$  (2)  $^\circ$

$V = 1281.06$  (7)  $\text{\AA}^3$   
 $Z = 4$   
Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 12.53\text{ mm}^{-1}$   
 $T = 296\text{ K}$   
 $0.35 \times 0.32 \times 0.24\text{ mm}$

#### Data collection

Bruker APEXII CCD  
diffractometer  
Absorption correction: multi-scan  
(SADABS; Sheldrick, 2000)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.097$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.153$

7087 measured reflections  
2511 independent reflections  
1892 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.047$

#### Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.033$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.077$   
 $S = 1.01$   
2511 reflections

127 parameters  
H-atom parameters constrained  
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.70\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.67\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

Data collection: APEX2 (Bruker, 2007); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2007); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXTL; molecular graphics: SHELXTL; software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL.

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#### Comment

Derivatives of adamantane attract a broad interdisciplinary interest as rigid molecular scaffolds for sustaining the structures of polyfunctional species, which find various applications in the chemistry of supramolecular systems, macromolecules, dendrimers and polymers (Kim *et al.*, 2001; Kozhushkov *et al.*, 2005; Li *et al.*, 2003). Thus, adamantanes substituted in the four available bridgehead positions represent a family of rigid tetrahedral building blocks for the synthesis of hydrogen and coordination-bonded framework polymers, and they are paradigmatic for the general principles of crystal design.

The asymmetric unit contain only a 1,3,5,7-Tetrabromoadamantane molecule. The molecular structure is shown in Fig. 1. The conformation of the 1,3,5,7-Tetrabromoadamantane unit is very similar to the conformation in the crystal structure of adamantane and 1,3,5,7-tetraiodoadamantane (Pedireddi *et al.*, 1994; Reddy *et al.*, 1995), with four nearly identical C–Br bonds distance [1.967 (4), 1.969 (4), 1.974 (4), 1.964 (4) Å].

In the crystal structure, the intermolecular Br···Br distance is 3.655, 3.724, 3.884, 3.962 Å, respectively. Each molecule is joined to two or three others with Br···Br interactions leading to the crystal packing in a supramolecular 3-dimentional network as shown in Fig. 2.

#### Experimental

The compound was prepared in the procedure reported by Murray *et al.* (1989) and by Migulin & Menger (2001). Adamantane (27.0 g, 0.2 mol) was added portionwise over 30 min to a stirred mixture of bromine (350 g, 2.2 mol) and anhydrous aluminium chloride (27.0 g, 0.2 mol) at 278 to 283 K. The mixture was heated to 363 K over a period of 1 h and held at that temperature for 24 h. Hydrogen bromide was evolved copiously during the addition and heating. Excess bromine (180 g) was distilled on the water bath. The residue was triturated with aqueous sodium sulfite (to remove excess bromine) with hydrochloric acid added (to dissolve aluminium salts). The solids were removed by filtration, washed, air-dried, and recrystallization from 1200 ml of glacial acetic acid.

#### Refinement

The H atoms were placed at calculated positions with C—H = 0.97 Å and refined in riding model approximation with  $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$ .

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## Figures

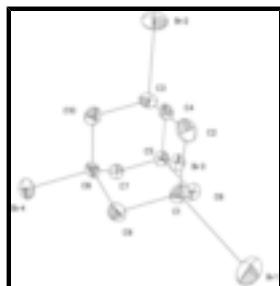


Fig. 1. The structure of the title compound, showing the atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level. H atoms have been omitted for clarity.

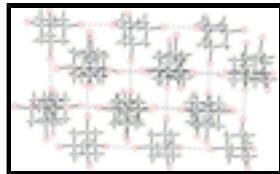


Fig. 2. The three-dimensional packing diagram of the compound by intermolecular Br...Br interactions.

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### Crystal data

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| C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>12</sub> Br <sub>4</sub> | F(000) = 848                                   |
| M <sub>r</sub> = 451.84                         | D <sub>x</sub> = 2.343 Mg m <sup>-3</sup>      |
| Monoclinic, P2 <sub>1</sub> /n                  | Mo K $\alpha$ radiation, $\lambda$ = 0.71073 Å |
| Hall symbol: -P 2yn                             | Cell parameters from 2005 reflections          |
| $a$ = 11.7669 (4) Å                             | $\theta$ = 2.6–25.9°                           |
| $b$ = 9.0612 (3) Å                              | $\mu$ = 12.53 mm <sup>-1</sup>                 |
| $c$ = 12.1493 (4) Å                             | T = 296 K                                      |
| $\beta$ = 98.529 (2)°                           | Block, colourless                              |
| $V$ = 1281.06 (7) Å <sup>3</sup>                | 0.35 × 0.32 × 0.24 mm                          |
| Z = 4   |  |

### Data collection

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| Bruker APEXII CCD diffractometer                                     | 2511 independent reflections   |
| Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube graphite                    | 1892 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$                                 |
| $\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans   | $R_{\text{int}} = 0.047$   |
| Absorption correction: multi-scan ( <i>SADABS</i> ; Sheldrick, 2000) | $\theta_{\text{max}} = 26.0^\circ$ , $\theta_{\text{min}} = 2.3^\circ$ |
| $T_{\text{min}} = 0.097$ , $T_{\text{max}} = 0.153$                  | $h = -13 \rightarrow 14$   |
| 7087 measured reflections  | $k = -11 \rightarrow 9$  |
|  | $l = -14 \rightarrow 14$   |

### Refinement

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|---------------------|--|
| Refinement on $F^2$ | Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct methods |
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|---------------------------------|--|
| Least-squares matrix: full      | Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map     |
| $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.033$ | Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites |
| $wR(F^2) = 0.077$               | H-atom parameters constrained                            |
| $S = 1.01$                      | $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0333P)^2 + 0.419P]$         |
| 2511 reflections                | where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$                           |
| 127 parameters                  | $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.001$                         |
| 0 restraints                    | $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.70 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$            |
|                                 | $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.67 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$           |

### Special details

**Geometry.** All e.s.d.'s (except the e.s.d. in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell e.s.d.'s are taken into account individually in the estimation of e.s.d.'s in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between e.s.d.'s in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell e.s.d.'s is used for estimating e.s.d.'s involving l.s. planes.

**Refinement.** Refinement of  $F^2$  against ALL reflections. The weighted  $R$ -factor  $wR$  and goodness of fit  $S$  are based on  $F^2$ , conventional  $R$ -factors  $R$  are based on  $F$ , with  $F$  set to zero for negative  $F^2$ . The threshold expression of  $F^2 > \sigma(F^2)$  is used only for calculating  $R$ -factors(gt) etc. and is not relevant to the choice of reflections for refinement.  $R$ -factors based on  $F^2$  are statistically about twice as large as those based on  $F$ , and  $R$ -factors based on ALL data will be even larger.

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

|     | $x$         | $y$         | $z$          | $U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$ |
|-----|-------------|-------------|--------------|----------------------------------|
| Br1 | 1.09687 (5) | 0.62981 (5) | 0.32537 (5)  | 0.05014 (17)                     |
| Br2 | 1.16582 (4) | 0.01485 (5) | 0.39605 (5)  | 0.05204 (18)                     |
| Br3 | 0.71851 (4) | 0.26097 (6) | 0.35978 (5)  | 0.05166 (17)                     |
| Br4 | 0.94466 (5) | 0.22452 (6) | -0.02140 (4) | 0.04818 (16)                     |
| C1  | 1.0321 (4)  | 0.4324 (5)  | 0.2896 (4)   | 0.0313 (10)                      |
| C2  | 1.1152 (4)  | 0.3177 (5)  | 0.3482 (4)   | 0.0366 (11)                      |
| H2A | 1.1892      | 0.3251      | 0.3226       | 0.044*                           |
| H2B | 1.1262      | 0.3336      | 0.4280       | 0.044*                           |
| C3  | 1.0625 (3)  | 0.1664 (4)  | 0.3203 (4)   | 0.0311 (10)                      |
| C4  | 0.9471 (4)  | 0.1532 (5)  | 0.3643 (4)   | 0.0365 (11)                      |
| H4A | 0.9144      | 0.0558      | 0.3487       | 0.044*                           |
| H4B | 0.9576      | 0.1691      | 0.4441       | 0.044*                           |
| C5  | 0.8681 (4)  | 0.2707 (5)  | 0.3050 (4)   | 0.0335 (10)                      |
| C6  | 0.9174 (4)  | 0.4244 (5)  | 0.3321 (4)   | 0.0352 (11)                      |
| H6A | 0.8656      | 0.4991      | 0.2963       | 0.042*                           |
| H6B | 0.9279      | 0.4411      | 0.4118       | 0.042*                           |
| C7  | 0.8488 (3)  | 0.2456 (5)  | 0.1789 (4)   | 0.0341 (11)                      |
| H7A | 0.8154      | 0.1490      | 0.1614       | 0.041*                           |
| H7B | 0.7971      | 0.3198      | 0.1422       | 0.041*                           |
| C8  | 0.9661 (4)  | 0.2567 (4)  | 0.1403 (4)   | 0.0312 (10)                      |
| C9  | 1.0165 (4)  | 0.4106 (5)  | 0.1642 (4)   | 0.0329 (10)                      |
| H9A | 1.0899      | 0.4188      | 0.1373       | 0.039*                           |
| H9B | 0.9650      | 0.4848      | 0.1274       | 0.039*                           |

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|------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| C10  | 1.0470 (4) | 0.1384 (4) | 0.1955 (4) | 0.0351 (11) |
| H10A | 1.1204     | 0.1438     | 0.1685     | 0.042*      |
| H10B | 1.0145     | 0.0411     | 0.1787     | 0.042*      |

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

|     | $U^{11}$   | $U^{22}$   | $U^{33}$   | $U^{12}$     | $U^{13}$   | $U^{23}$     |
|-----|------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|--------------|
| Br1 | 0.0643 (4) | 0.0367 (3) | 0.0492 (3) | -0.0179 (2)  | 0.0078 (3) | -0.0076 (2)  |
| Br2 | 0.0501 (3) | 0.0462 (3) | 0.0589 (4) | 0.0088 (2)   | 0.0049 (3) | 0.0190 (3)   |
| Br3 | 0.0371 (3) | 0.0639 (3) | 0.0582 (4) | -0.0055 (2)  | 0.0214 (3) | -0.0025 (3)  |
| Br4 | 0.0573 (3) | 0.0577 (3) | 0.0292 (3) | -0.0008 (2)  | 0.0054 (2) | -0.0053 (2)  |
| C1  | 0.033 (2)  | 0.026 (2)  | 0.035 (3)  | -0.0085 (18) | 0.005 (2)  | -0.004 (2)   |
| C2  | 0.031 (2)  | 0.046 (3)  | 0.032 (3)  | -0.006 (2)   | 0.002 (2)  | -0.001 (2)   |
| C3  | 0.030 (2)  | 0.028 (2)  | 0.034 (3)  | 0.0008 (18)  | 0.002 (2)  | 0.007 (2)    |
| C4  | 0.043 (3)  | 0.039 (3)  | 0.029 (3)  | -0.007 (2)   | 0.009 (2)  | 0.003 (2)    |
| C5  | 0.030 (2)  | 0.036 (2)  | 0.036 (3)  | -0.0030 (19) | 0.012 (2)  | -0.002 (2)   |
| C6  | 0.042 (3)  | 0.032 (2)  | 0.032 (3)  | 0.000 (2)    | 0.005 (2)  | -0.007 (2)   |
| C7  | 0.029 (2)  | 0.037 (2)  | 0.036 (3)  | -0.0058 (19) | 0.006 (2)  | -0.001 (2)   |
| C8  | 0.038 (2)  | 0.034 (2)  | 0.020 (2)  | -0.0029 (19) | -0.001 (2) | -0.0001 (19) |
| C9  | 0.036 (2)  | 0.034 (2)  | 0.028 (2)  | -0.0040 (19) | 0.005 (2)  | 0.003 (2)    |
| C10 | 0.037 (2)  | 0.031 (2)  | 0.039 (3)  | -0.0036 (19) | 0.010 (2)  | -0.004 (2)   |

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

|           |           |            |           |
|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| Br1—C1    | 1.967 (4) | C4—H4B     | 0.9700    |
| Br2—C3    | 1.969 (4) | C5—C6      | 1.526 (6) |
| Br3—C5    | 1.974 (4) | C5—C7      | 1.532 (6) |
| Br4—C8    | 1.964 (4) | C6—H6A     | 0.9700    |
| C1—C6     | 1.517 (5) | C6—H6B     | 0.9700    |
| C1—C9     | 1.520 (6) | C7—C8      | 1.525 (6) |
| C1—C2     | 1.529 (6) | C7—H7A     | 0.9700    |
| C2—C3     | 1.522 (6) | C7—H7B     | 0.9700    |
| C2—H2A    | 0.9700    | C8—C10     | 1.522 (6) |
| C2—H2B    | 0.9700    | C8—C9      | 1.527 (6) |
| C3—C10    | 1.522 (6) | C9—H9A     | 0.9700    |
| C3—C4     | 1.537 (6) | C9—H9B     | 0.9700    |
| C4—C5     | 1.522 (6) | C10—H10A   | 0.9700    |
| C4—H4A    | 0.9700    | C10—H10B   | 0.9700    |
| C6—C1—C9  | 110.7 (4) | C1—C6—C5   | 107.4 (3) |
| C6—C1—C2  | 110.4 (4) | C1—C6—H6A  | 110.2     |
| C9—C1—C2  | 110.6 (3) | C5—C6—H6A  | 110.2     |
| C6—C1—Br1 | 107.6 (3) | C1—C6—H6B  | 110.2     |
| C9—C1—Br1 | 109.0 (3) | C5—C6—H6B  | 110.2     |
| C2—C1—Br1 | 108.4 (3) | H6A—C6—H6B | 108.5     |
| C3—C2—C1  | 107.3 (3) | C8—C7—C5   | 107.0 (3) |
| C3—C2—H2A | 110.3     | C8—C7—H7A  | 110.3     |
| C1—C2—H2A | 110.3     | C5—C7—H7A  | 110.3     |
| C3—C2—H2B | 110.3     | C8—C7—H7B  | 110.3     |

|              |            |               |            |
|--------------|------------|---------------|------------|
| C1—C2—H2B    | 110.3      | C5—C7—H7B     | 110.3      |
| H2A—C2—H2B   | 108.5      | H7A—C7—H7B    | 108.6      |
| C2—C3—C10    | 110.9 (4)  | C10—C8—C7     | 110.7 (3)  |
| C2—C3—C4     | 110.1 (3)  | C10—C8—C9     | 111.0 (3)  |
| C10—C3—C4    | 110.6 (4)  | C7—C8—C9      | 110.2 (3)  |
| C2—C3—Br2    | 108.7 (3)  | C10—C8—Br4    | 108.4 (3)  |
| C10—C3—Br2   | 108.9 (3)  | C7—C8—Br4     | 108.1 (3)  |
| C4—C3—Br2    | 107.4 (3)  | C9—C8—Br4     | 108.3 (3)  |
| C5—C4—C3     | 106.9 (3)  | C1—C9—C8      | 107.2 (3)  |
| C5—C4—H4A    | 110.3      | C1—C9—H9A     | 110.3      |
| C3—C4—H4A    | 110.3      | C8—C9—H9A     | 110.3      |
| C5—C4—H4B    | 110.3      | C1—C9—H9B     | 110.3      |
| C3—C4—H4B    | 110.3      | C8—C9—H9B     | 110.3      |
| H4A—C4—H4B   | 108.6      | H9A—C9—H9B    | 108.5      |
| C4—C5—C6     | 110.5 (4)  | C8—C10—C3     | 107.3 (3)  |
| C4—C5—C7     | 111.1 (3)  | C8—C10—H10A   | 110.3      |
| C6—C5—C7     | 110.3 (4)  | C3—C10—H10A   | 110.3      |
| C4—C5—Br3    | 108.8 (3)  | C8—C10—H10B   | 110.3      |
| C6—C5—Br3    | 107.3 (3)  | C3—C10—H10B   | 110.3      |
| C7—C5—Br3    | 108.9 (3)  | H10A—C10—H10B | 108.5      |
| C6—C1—C2—C3  | 61.7 (5)   | C4—C5—C7—C8   | -61.2 (4)  |
| C9—C1—C2—C3  | -61.2 (4)  | C6—C5—C7—C8   | 61.6 (4)   |
| Br1—C1—C2—C3 | 179.3 (3)  | Br3—C5—C7—C8  | 179.0 (3)  |
| C1—C2—C3—C10 | 61.1 (4)   | C5—C7—C8—C10  | 61.3 (4)   |
| C1—C2—C3—C4  | -61.7 (5)  | C5—C7—C8—C9   | -61.9 (4)  |
| C1—C2—C3—Br2 | -179.2 (3) | C5—C7—C8—Br4  | 179.8 (3)  |
| C2—C3—C4—C5  | 61.8 (5)   | C6—C1—C9—C8   | -61.7 (4)  |
| C10—C3—C4—C5 | -61.2 (4)  | C2—C1—C9—C8   | 61.1 (4)   |
| Br2—C3—C4—C5 | -179.9 (3) | Br1—C1—C9—C8  | -179.9 (3) |
| C3—C4—C5—C6  | -61.7 (4)  | C10—C8—C9—C1  | -61.1 (4)  |
| C3—C4—C5—C7  | 61.0 (4)   | C7—C8—C9—C1   | 61.9 (4)   |
| C3—C4—C5—Br3 | -179.2 (3) | Br4—C8—C9—C1  | 180.0 (3)  |
| C9—C1—C6—C5  | 61.4 (5)   | C7—C8—C10—C3  | -62.0 (4)  |
| C2—C1—C6—C5  | -61.4 (5)  | C9—C8—C10—C3  | 60.8 (4)   |
| Br1—C1—C6—C5 | -179.6 (3) | Br4—C8—C10—C3 | 179.7 (3)  |
| C4—C5—C6—C1  | 61.8 (5)   | C2—C3—C10—C8  | -60.8 (4)  |
| C7—C5—C6—C1  | -61.3 (4)  | C4—C3—C10—C8  | 61.7 (4)   |
| Br3—C5—C6—C1 | -179.7 (3) | Br2—C3—C10—C8 | 179.5 (3)  |

## supplementary materials

Fig. 1

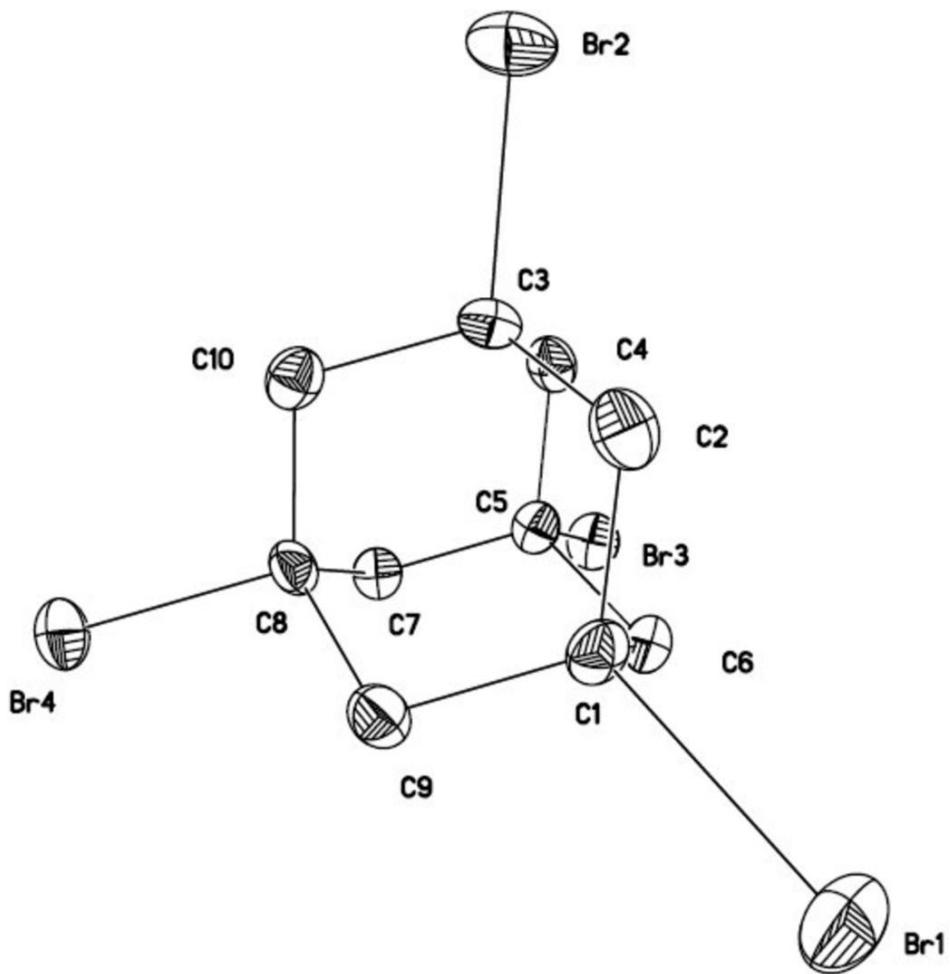


Fig. 2

