Highly Alkylated Cyclohexanes. – X-Ray Crystal Structures, Force-Field Calculations, and Conformations of *cis/trans*-1,4-Disubstituted Cyclohexane Isomers

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The structures of mesylated *cis*- and *trans*-tetramethylshisool *cis*-2 and *trans*-2 have been elucidated by single-crystal X-ray techniques. In *cis*-2 the isopropenyl group adopts an axial position in the crystal, and the structural data obtained are in good agreement with those from force-field calculations. In *trans*-2 the two rotamers arising from rotation of the isopropenyl group were assigned by NOE measurements. Comparison of the spectroscopic data with those of other tetramethyllimonene derivatives showed that these can be classified into compounds with preferred equatorial and preferred axial position of the isopropenyl group. Hochalkylierte Cyclohexane. – Röntgenstrukturanalyse, Kraftfeld-Berechnungen und Konformationen von *cis/trans*-1,4-disubstituierten Cyclohexan-Isomeren

Die Struktur von mesyliertem cis- und trans-Tetramethylshisool cis-2 und trans-2 wurde durch Einkristall-Röntgenmethoden aufgeklärt. In cis-2 nimmt die Isopropenylgruppe im Kristall eine axiale Stellung ein, und die erhaltenen Strukturdaten stehen in gutem Einklang mit Kraftfeldberechnungen. In trans-2 wurden zwei Rotamere, die durch Rotation der Isopropenylgruppe entstehen, durch NOE-Messungen zugeordnet. Der Vergleich der spektroskopischen Daten mit denen anderer Tetramethyllimonenderivate zeigt, daß diese in Verbindungen mit bevorzugt äquatorialer und bevorzugt axialer Lage der Isopropenylgruppe eingeordnet werden können.

The chemistry of tetramethyllimonenes (TM-limonenes) has posed interesting configurational and conformational problems, which made it desirable to obtain X-ray crystallographic information. For this purpose we have chosen two



key compounds, i.e. the isomeric TM-shisools *trans-1* and *cis-1*. Although the two alcohols could be prepared stereoselectively, they did not form crystals suitable for X-ray crystallography. We therefore prepared the methanesulfonates *trans-2* and *cis-2* and have supported the experimental findings by force-field calculations on the alcohols *trans-1* and *cis-1*.

Figure 1 represents the structure of *cis*-2 in the side view. Figure 2a shows the side view of *trans*-2 whereas Figure 2b illustrates the shape of *trans*-2 from another angle. The measured and calculated structural data are confronted in Table 1 and are interpreted as follows.

Ring conformation: As suspected previously¹, the isopropenyl group adopts an axial position in *cis*-2, whereas in *trans*-2 it prefers the equatorial position. Apparently, *cis*-2 (a,e) is destabilized relative to *cis*-2 (e,a) because it contains an unfavourable interaction of the 1,3,5-syn-triaxial substi-

tuents and also an unfavourable interaction with the fixed isopropenyl group.



Figure 2a. X-ray crystal structure of trans-2 (side view)



Figure 2b. View on the isopropenyl group in trans-2 along the C(7)-C(4) bond axis [Atoms C(7) and C(4) coincide]

Ring flattening: As shown in Figure 2b, the syn-axial methyl groups repel each other strongly²). Their distance in trans-2 is 3.35 Å compared with a distance of 2.64 Å of the quaternary ring carbons C(3) and C(5). Ring flattening shows up in the structural data, especially those of cis-2 (e,a) (Table 1). The axial isopropenyl group causes a further deformation of the cyclohexane chair. The torsion angles within the ring are clearly smaller than the "ideal angle" of 60° . They are comparatively large near carbon C(1) (55.5-56.2) and small in the vicinity of carbon C(4) (44.1 - 44.5). In other words, puckering is most developed at C(1) and least near C(4). Parallel to puckering of the molecule, the internal bond angles are expanded, least at C(1) (110.7°), but more at the other ring carbons $(111.3-114.4^{\circ})$. Furthermore, in cis-2 the normal carboncarbon bond length of 1.534 Å of cyclohexane has increased up to 1.566 Å in the vicinity of the quaternary carbons. The measured structural data of cis-2 suggest that the compound is asymmetrically distorted in the crystal lattice. The measurements showed that two molecules were present in the unit cell, which differed in the position of CH₂OMs. In contrast, the unit cell of trans-2 is smaller (820.6 vs. 1691.3.106 pm³ for cis-2) and the molecule is symmetric within experimental error. The sum of the six internal torsion angles in trans-2 (322.8) is closer to the "ideal value" of 360° than in

cis-2 (301.0°), i.e. trans-2 is flattened less. It is noticeable that the C(3) - C(4) - C(5) bond angle has expanded to 116.0°.

Table 1. Selected experimental (X-ray crystallographic) vs. calculated (force-field) structural parameters of cis-2 and trans-2

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	Ms0	2 2 3 4 4 15 14 15 13	MSO /	H H	
	ci. exp.	s- 2 calcd.	tratexp.	ns-2 calcd.	
9-7-4-15	Torsior 177.9	ns angles [°] 0.0	176.4	177.2	
$ \begin{array}{c} 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 \\ 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 \\ 3 - 4 - 5 - 6 \\ 4 - 5 - 6 - 1 \\ 5 - 6 - 1 - 2 \\ 5 - 1 - 2 - 3 \\ \Sigma \end{array} $	50.8 44.5 44.1 50.8 56.2 55.5 301.0	48.6 42.4 42.4 48.6 55.7 55.7 293.4	53.2 50.8 50.9 53.1 57.3 57.5 322.8	50.1 43.4 44.4 52.2 60.9 59.8 310.8	
	Bond	angles [°]			
2-1-6 1-2-3 2-3-4 3-4-5 4-5-6 5-6-1 1-3-12 3-5-14	110.7 113.7 113.0 114.2 111.3 114.4 105.5 105.8	110.8 114.1 111.6 117.2 111.6 114.1 104.3 104.3	110.3 114.1 108.1 116.0 108.4 113.9 107.9 106.3	109.6 113.5 109.3 118.4 109.3 113.5 105.5 105.5	
Bond lengths [Å]					
1-2 2-3 3-4 1-5 5-6 5-1	1.525 1.516 1.562 1.566 1.540 1.510	1.536 1.544 1.560 1.560 1.544 1.536	1.510 1.537 1.561 1.557 1.534 1.517	1.535 1.548 1.558 1.560 1.548 1.536	
2-6 3-5 1-13	Nonbondin 2.498 2.632 3.243	2.530 2.664 3.410	2.483 2.644 3.350	2.500 2.680 3.580	

Rotamer population: In the crystal state cis-2 as well as trans-2 contain one rotamer each, i.e. α - and β -rotamer, respectively (cf. Table 2). In contrast, the force-field calculations suggest that the β -rotamer is a minimum for both compounds.

Force-field calculations: Table 1 shows satisfactory agreement of measured and calculated structural data. cis-2 (e,a) with axial isopropenyl group is preferred according to the calculations and flattening of cis-2 as well as trans-2 is reproduced in qualitatively correct fashion. Only the extent of flattening is overestimated, and this could be due to an overestimation of nonbonded interactions of $MM2^{3}$.

Spectroscopic determination of the conformation of cis-2 in solution: Crystal structure data and force-field calculations cannot necessarily be extrapolated to the solvated state. It is well-known that axial and equatorial protons clearly differ in their chemical shift. In trans-2 the axial methylene protons at C(2) and C(6) resonate at 0.98 ppm and the equatorial ones at 1.53 ppm. Now in *cis*-2 and *trans*-2 the C(1) proton shows nearly the same chemical shift (2.11 and, respectively, 2.21 ppm), i.e. it is axial. Hence, *cis*-2 exists preferentially as *cis*-2 (e,a) in solution.



Figure 3. trans-2, 240 K

Table 2. NOE enhancements in trans-2 at 240 K



Hindered rotation of the isopropenyl group of trans-2: The X-ray crystal structure of trans-2, and the MM2 calculations suggest that the β -rotamer (cf. heading of Table 2) is populated preferentially, in contrast to a previous interpretation of solution spectra⁴. A NOE study of trans-2 at low temperature proved informative. In trans-2 the isopropenyl group is clearly equatorial and all proton signals are well-resolved at 200 MHz (Figure 3). At 240 K the rotameric equilibrium is frozen and the signals of the olefinic, allylic methyl, and axial methyl protons are split. The preferred rotamer, which according to integration is present to the extent of 89%, showed the enhancements of Table 2. Therefore,

a) the β -rotamer is energetically preferred in the crystal state and also in solution. This finding is at variance with a previous interpretation of the ¹³C-NMR spectra⁴.

b) the assignment of the olefinic protons must be reversed: the proton *trans* to the methyl group (H-4) appears at 4.73 ppm, the *cis* proton H-5 at 5.06 ppm. Hence, the two rotamers of *trans*-2 show the chemical shifts in Table 3.

c) contrary to general experience, the axial methyl proton signals appear at lower field than the equatorial ones. This is probably a consequence of van der Waals repulsion and deshielding.

Table 3. Chemical shifts [δ , ppm] of olefinic protons in α - und β -rotamer of trans-2

Η(4)β	H(4)α	H(5)β	Η(5)α
4.73	4.68	5.06	4.86

Table 4. Chemical shift $[\delta, ppm]$ of olefinic protons in the α - and β -rotamer of tetramethyllimonene derivative at low temperature

		F	1₃C HI	5)	
		г	ing H	(4)	
		H(4) <i>B</i>	Η(4)α	H(5) <i>/</i> 3	H(5)α
			quatorial	ISOpropeny	l
trans	5-2	4.73	4.68	5.06	4.86
M	3	4.78	4.67	5.04	4.86
ci f f f	4	4.67	4.67	5.06	4.84
OH	5	4.79	-	5.07	-
HO	6	4.66	4.66	5.06	4.76
HOMAT	7	4.80	4.66	5.07	4.88
			Axial iso	propenyl	
cis	-1	4.74	4.64	4.84	4.60
HO	8	4.81	4.66	4.97	4.60
À	9	4.76	4.62	4.84	4.58

Generalization of the spectroscopic measurements in the tetramethyllimonene series. Criteria for distinguishing axial and equatorial isopropenyl groups: As shown above, the isopropenyl group is equatorial in trans-2 (e,e) [and in the derived alcohol trans-1 (e,e)], whereas it is axial in cis-2 (e,a) and in cis-1 (e,a). As it turned out, trans-2, with its characteristic chemical shifts for the α - and β -rotamer (Table 3), is the prototype of a number of TML derivatives (Table 4) which show similar spectroscopic behaviour at low temperature, when the rotameric equilibrium is "frozen" on the NMR time scale: in 3-7 the isopropenyl group prefers the equatorial position. In 4, 5, and 6 the six-membered ring is saturated as in 8 and 9. However, 8 and 9 behave spectroscopically like cis-1, i.e. the isopropenyl group is axial. Apparently, ring inversion in 8 and 9 does not pay energetically, because of the build-up of the syn-triaxial interaction. On the other hand, in 4, 5, and 6 a syn-triaxial interaction of substituents is present, irrespective of the position of the isopropenyl group.

Conclusions: Although the isopropenyl group is large, it cannot automatically be assumed to adopt the equatorial position. In the *cis*-1,4-disubstituted series *cis*-1, 8, and 9 an equatorial isopropenyl group would cause an unfavourable *syn*-triaxial interaction of substituents. Instead, the isopropenyl group adopts the axial position.

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Experimental

trans-2: A solution of trans-TM-shisool (trans-1)¹⁾ (0.32 g, 1.52 mmol) and DMAP (10 mg, 0.08 mmol) in absol. pyridine (3 ml) was cooled to 0 to -10° C, and methanesulfonyl chloride (0.22 g, 1.69 mmol) in 1 ml of pyridine was stirred in slowly. The mixture was stirred for 4 h at 0 to -10° C, then ice/water (5 ml) was dropped in, and the aqueous phase was extracted with ether (2 ×). The combined ether phase was washed with ice-cold 10% aqueous HCl (2x), aqueous NaHCO₃ and NaCl, and dried (Na₂SO₄). After removal of the solvent, the resulting yellow crystals were recrystallized from light petroleum to afford trans-2; colourless needles, 0.33 g (75%), mp 101-103°C. - 200-MHz ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃): $\delta = 0.88$ (s, 6H, eq CH₃), 0.98 (d, 2H, ax CH₂), 1.08 (s, 6H, ax CH₃), 1.45-1.58 (m, 2H, eq CH₂), 1.6 (m, 1H, allyl CH), 2.0-2.33 (m, 1H, CHCH₂O), 3.02 (s, 3H, SO₂CH₃), 4.02 (d, J = 6 Hz, 2H, CH₂OMs), 4.73 (s, 1H, trans-CH₂=CCH₃).

cis-2: cis-TM-shisool (cis-1) (0.96 g, 4.57 mmol) and DMAP (34 mg, 0.27 mmol) in 10 ml of pyridine was allowed to react with methanesulfonyl chloride (0.65 g, 5 mmol) in 2.5 ml of pyridine, giving cis-2 (1.1 g 84%), mp 53-54°C. – 200-MHz ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) (because of hindered rotation, the signals are partially split and broadened considerably): $\delta = 0.91 + 0.96$ (s, 6H, 2CH₃), 1.15 (s, 6H, 2CH₃), 1.26-1.51 (m, 4H, 2CH₂), 1.77 + 1.91 (m, 4H, allyl CH₃ + allyl CH), 2.07-2.24 (m, 1H, CHCH₂OMs), 3.02 (s, 3H, SO₂CH₃), 4.07 (d, J = 6 Hz, 2H, CH₂OMs), 4.55-4.95 (m, 2H, olefin H).

The intensities were measured in the ω -scan mode on a Siemens-Stoe-AED-2-Diffractometer with Mo- K_{α} radiation (graphite monochromator) and corrected as usual. The structure was determined by direct methods (MULTAN-80) and refined using the program system STRUCSY (STOE). The hydrogen atoms were refined iso-

Table 5. X-ray crystal data

	cis- 2	trans-2	
Recrystallized from	ether/light petroleum, 1:1		
Empirical formula	$C_{15}H_{28}SO_3$	$C_{15}H_{28}SO_3$	
Molecular mass	288.5	288.5	
Ζ	4	2	
Space group	$P\overline{1}$	P1	
a [pm]	776.0(25)	638.4(28)	
<i>b</i> [pm]	1283.8(55)	782.5(28)	
<i>c</i> [pm]	1845.0(108)	1739.3(67)	
α [°]	109.8(3)	95.0(3)	
β[°]	100.2(4)	96.6(4)	
γ [°]	92.5(3)	106.6(3)	
$V [pm^3 \cdot 10^6]$	1691.3	820.6	
Number of centered reflexions	38	26	
Diffractometer	AED-2-Siemens-Stoe		
Temperature [°C]	21	21	
Radiation used	Mo- K_{α} ; $\lambda = 71$.069 pm;	
	graphite monochromator ·		
Calculated density D_x [g/cm ³]	1.133	1.168	
Scan mode	2.4°, ω	3.3°, ω	
2⊖-range [°]	$2 \leq 2\Theta \leq 55$	$2 \leq 2\Theta \leq 55$	
Number of reflexions measured	7963	4875	
Number of observed reflexions	3810	3083	
$(F_{o} \geq 3\sigma(F_{o}))$			
Number of variables	344	172	
R	0.0940	0.0651	
$R_{\rm w}, w = 1/\sigma^2(F_{\rm o})$	0.0818	0.0549	

Table 6. Local ($\times 10^4$) and thermal parameters^a [pm²] of cis-2

Atom	x/a	y/b	· z/c	Ueq
S1	478(2)	5785(1)	1393(1)	601
01	-966(6)	5064(3)	854(2)	844
02	2052(6)	5338(3)	1593(3)	959
03	63(5)	6393(3)	2193(2)	693
C1	964(7)	6837(4)	1061(3)	737
H1a	1945(7)	7337(4)	1420(3)	811
H1b	1254(7)	6521(4)	552(3)	. 811
H1c	-45(7)	7237(4)	1022(3)	811
C2	-1906(7)	6597(5)	2194(3)	692
H2a	-2630(7)	5896(5)	2006(3)	762
Н2Ь	-2288(7)	, 7017(5) .	1864(3)	762
C3	-2062(6)	7219(4)	3033(3)	486
НЗа	-1282(6)	7899(4)	3241(3)	534
C4	-3973(6)	7455(4)	3029(3)	550
H4a	-4688(6)	6749(4)	2821(3)	605
H4b	-4300(6)	7878(4)	2695(3)	605
C5	-4329(6)	8063(4)	3841(3)	538
C6	-3615(6)	7506(4)	4454(3)	563
H6a	-3471(6)	8098(4)	4953(3)	620
C7	-1712(7)	7156(5)	4426(3)	592
C8	-1490(7)	6582(4)	3572(3)	584
H8a	-2194(7)	5872(4)	3361(3)	642
H8b	-273(7)	6472(4)	3578(3)	642
C9	-3527(8)	9283(4)	4127(4)	806
H9a	-3745(8)	9671(4)	4642(4)	887
H9b	-2280(8)	9315(4)	4149(4)	887
H9c	-4060(8)	9627(4)	3768(4)	887
C10	-6335(7)	8104(5)	3770(4)	786
H10a	-6898(7)	7355(5)	3593(4)	864
H10b	-6593(7)	8521(5)	4271(4)	864

Table 6 (Continued)

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H10c	-6765(7)	8448(5)	3395(4)	864
C11	- 286(7)	8165(5)	4836(3)	833
H11a	-436(7)	8530(5)	5366(3)	917
Н11Ь	870(7)	7926(5)	4845(3)	917
Httc	-423(7)	8674(5)	4556(3)	917
C12	-1306(8)	6343(6)	4861(4)	1017
H12a	-1434(8)	6692(6)	5396(4)	1119
H12b	-2120(8)	5679(6)	4612(4)	1119
H12c	-124(9)	6153(6)	4855(4)	1119
C13	-4892(8)	6621(6)	4485(4)	739
C14	-5484(9)	5581(5)	3797(5)	1058
H14a	-4907(9)	5608(5)	3383(5)	1163
H14b	-5171(9)	4952(5)	3941(5)	1163
H14c	-6737(9)	5511(5)	3617(5)	1163
C15	-5546(9)	6771(7)	5137(4)	1077
H15a	-5157(9)	7451(7)	5576(4)	1185
H15b	-6370(9)	6220(7)	5173(4)	1185
S2 ·	5772(3)	7394(2)	143(1)	823
C16	5430(10)	6094(6)	-549(6)	1537
H16a	5824(10)	6106(6)	-1011(6)	1691
H16b	6086(10)	5609(6)	-336(6)	1691
H16c	4199(10)	5826(6)	-684(6)	1691
04	7483(7)	7898(4)	228(3)	1164
O5	5214(7)	7382(6)	797(3)	1543
O 6	4701(-)	8054(-)	-289(-)	1813
C17	2911(-)	8070(-)	-419(-)	2381
H17a	2602(-)	8740(-)	-62(-)	2619
Н17Б	2344(-)	7435(-)	-356(-)	2619
C18	2388(12)	8025(7)	-1265(4)	1069
H18a	2867(12)	7402(7)	-1593(4)	1175
C19	449(12)	7690(6)	-1361(4)	1007
H19a	309(12)	7023(6)	-1242(4)	1108
H195 C20	-9(12)	8282(6)	-994(4) -2177(4)	1108
C21	-313(6)	8491(4)	-2437(3)	523
H21a	-636(6)	8189(4)	-3001(3)	575
C22	1664(7)	8965(5)	-2286(3)	593
C23	2641(7)	9051(6)	-1469(4)	832
H23a	3876(7)	9231(6)	-1430(4)	915
H23b	2214(7)	9644(6)	-1090(4)	915
C24	1768(8)	10129(5)	-2362(4)	984
H24a	1164(8)	10080(5)	-2876(4)	1082
H24b	1235(8)	10630(5)	-1970(4)	1082
H24c	2984(8)	10401(5)	-2283(4)	1082
C25	2614(8)	8228(5)	-2910(4)	846
H25a	1997(8)	8172(5)	-3423(4)	931
H255	3809(8)	8543(5)	-2826(4)	931
H250	2605(8)	7500(5)	-2873(4)	931
H26a	-2005(9)	71269(5)	-2681(5)	1252
H26b	-2806(9)	6637(5)	-2014(5)	1252
H26c	-2932(9)	7919(5)	-1796(5)	1252
C27	-132(9)	6395(5)	-2759(4)	983
H27a	-799(9)	6272(5)	-3277(4)	1081
H27b	1103(9)	6479(5)	-2759(4)	1081
H27c	-397(9)	5771(5)	-2608(4)	1081
C28	-1506(7)	9389(5)	-2162(4)	664
C29	-1415(8)	10022(5)	-1318(4)	919

Table 6 (Continued)

H29a	-529(8)	9756(5)	-1012(4)	1010
H29b	-1110(8)	10800(5)	-1210(4)	1010
H29c	-2533(8)	9916(5)	-1183(4)	1010
C30	-2666(9)	9613(6)	-2705(5)	1079
H30a	-2710(9)	9193(6)	-3250(5)	1187
H30b	-3438(9)	10180(6)	-2561(5)	1187

^{a)} U_{eq} is calculated from the orthogonal U_{ij} -tensor exp $[2\pi^2(h^2 a^{*2} U_{11} + k^2 b^{*2} U_{22} + ... 2hka^* b^* U_{12}...)].$

Table 7. Local ($\times 10^4$) and thermal parameters^a [pm²] of trans-2

Atom	x/a	y/b	z/c	Ueq
S1	8836(1)	6985(1)	510	466
C1	7991(4)	7010(4)	-473(1)	583
H1a	6421(4)	6802(4)	-564(1)	641
Н1Б	8721(4)	8758(4)	-624(1)	641
H1c	8363(4)	6083(4)	-776(1)	641
01	11138(3)	7293(3)	647(1)	942
22	7422(3)	5434(3)	750(1)	684
23	8490(2)	8715(2)	926(1)	493
C2	6246(4)	8846(4)	894(1)	521
H2a	5214(4)	7661(4)	801(1)	573
Н2Ъ	5957(4)	9518(4)	479(1)	573
C3	6005(4)	9777(3)	1662(1)	411
НЗа	4588(4)	9983(3)	1587(1)	452
C4	6023(4)	8635(3)	2319(1)	488
H4a	4912(4)	7497(3)	2166(1)	537
H4b	7451(4)	8450(3)	2403(1)	537
05	5615(4)	9486(3)	3096(2)	503
C6	7301(4)	11406(3)	3296(1)	392
H6a	8701(4)	11169(3)	3326(1)	431
C8	7723(4)	11599(3)	1889(1)	426
H8a	7669(4)	12311(3)	1468(1)	468
H8b	9145(4)	11401(3)	1970(1)	468
C9	3156(4)	9399(4)	3051(2)	781
H9a	2923(4)	9947(4)	3536(2)	860
Н9Б	2778(4)	10039(4)	2636(2)	860
H9c	2242(4)	8171(4)	2954(2)	860
013	7311(4)	12326(3)	4105(1)	520
C7	7428(4)	12640(3)	2637(1)	390
C10	6126(7)	8354(4)	3730(2)	910
H10a	5874(7)	8848(4)	4224(2)	1001
H10b	5202(7)	7132(4)	3605(2)	1001
H10c	7648(7)	8388(4)	3759(2)	1001
C11	9479(5)	14274(3)	2864(2)	652
Hila	10743(5)	13858(3)	2978(2)	717
H11b	9676(5)	14983(3)	2439(2)	717
H11c	9318(5)	14995(3)	3316(2)	717
012	5476(4)	13380(3)	2461(2)	559
H12a	5275(4)	14028(3)	2927(2)	615
H12b	5758(4)	14172(3)	2068(2)	615
-112c	4164(4)	12400(3)	2276(2)	615
214	5712(5)	12981(4)	4316(2)	715
-114a	4438(5)	12881(4)	3944(2)	787
-114h	5841(5)	13558(4)	4837(2)	787
215	9273(6)	12487(5)	4680(2)	926
4152	10246/6)	11946/5)	4438/2)	1010
1156	10029(6)	13732(5)	4856(2)	1010
4150	8820(6)	11880(5)	5117/2)	1019
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^{a)} U_{eq} is calculated from the orthogonal U_{ij} -tensor exp $[2\pi^2 (h^2 a^{*2} U_{11} + k^2 b^{*2} U_{22} + ... 2hk a^* b^* U_{12} ...)].$

tropically, all other atoms anisotropically. All parameters were finally refined with the weighting $w = 1/\sigma^2(F_0)^{5}$.

Force-field calculations were performed with the MM2 program⁴⁾.

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