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## N-Benzyl-1,3-dideoxy-1,3-imino-L-xylitol

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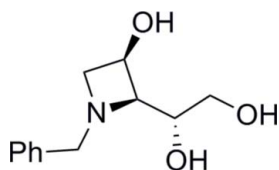
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 150$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.004$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.045;  $wR$  factor = 0.102; data-to-parameter ratio = 10.6.

The structure determination confirms the stereochemistry of the title compound,  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_3$ , which contains a four-membered azetidine ring system. The absolute configuration was determined by the use of D-glucose as the starting material. In the crystal,  $\text{O}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  and  $\text{O}-\text{H}\cdots\text{N}$  hydrogen bonds link the molecules into layers in the  $ab$  plane.

## Related literature

For related literature on azetidines, see: Krämer *et al.* (1997); Michaud *et al.* (1997a,b); Dekaris & Reissig (2010); Soengas *et al.* (2011). For related literature on iminosugars, see: Asano *et al.* (2000); Watson *et al.* (2001). For details of the cryostat, see: Cosier & Glazer (1986).



## Experimental

## Crystal data

 $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_3$  $M_r = 223.27$ Orthorhombic,  $P2_12_12_1$  $a = 6.2309$  (2) Å $b = 9.3918$  (4) Å $c = 19.9175$  (9) Å $V = 1165.56$  (8) Å<sup>3</sup> $Z = 4$ Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation $\mu = 0.09$  mm<sup>-1</sup> $T = 150$  K $0.20 \times 0.10 \times 0.07$  mm

## Data collection

Nonius KappaCCD diffractometer

Absorption correction: multi-scan

(DENZO/SCALEPACK;

Otwinowski &amp; Minor, 1997)

 $T_{\min} = 0.97$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.99$ 

6149 measured reflections

1541 independent reflections

1098 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$  $R_{\text{int}} = 0.065$ 

## Refinement

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.045$  $wR(F^2) = 0.102$  $S = 0.95$ 

1541 reflections

146 parameters

H-atom parameters constrained

 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.49$  e Å<sup>-3</sup> $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.49$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D-\text{H}\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}$	$\text{H}\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}\cdots A$
$\text{O4}-\text{H41}\cdots\text{O16}^i$	0.84	2.18	2.825 (4)	134
$\text{O16}-\text{H161}\cdots\text{O1}^{ii}$	0.84	1.90	2.735 (4)	171
$\text{O1}-\text{H11}\cdots\text{N6}^i$	0.86	1.86	2.719 (4)	171

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

Supplementary data and figures for this paper are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: LH5318).

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## supporting information

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**S1. Comment**

Azetidines (Michaud *et al.*, 1997*a,b*; Dekaris & Reissig, 2010; Soengas *et al.*, 2011) are a relatively unstudied class of iminosugars (Asano *et al.*, 2000; Watson *et al.*, 2001) but initial results (Krämer *et al.*, 1997) have shown that they can exhibit interesting biological activity. The title compound was formed from a protected ribofuranose derived from *D*-glucose (Fig. 1).

The molecular structure of the title compound is shown in Fig. 2. The four-membered ring system adopts a puckered conformation. The structure consists of hydrogen bonded layers of molecules in the *ab* plane (Fig. 3, Fig. 4). Each molecule is a hydrogen-bond donor and acceptor for three hydrogen bonds. Only classical hydrogen bonding was considered.

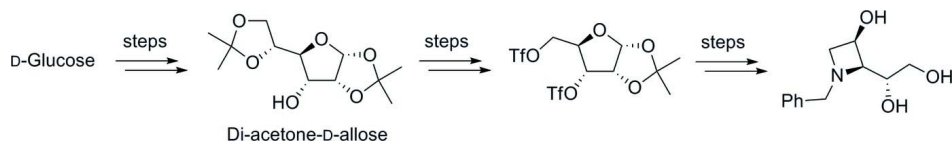
**S2. Experimental**

The title compound was recrystallized from methanol:  $[\alpha]_D^{25} -103.0$  (*c* 0.23 in MeOH); m.p. 452–453 K.

**S3. Refinement**

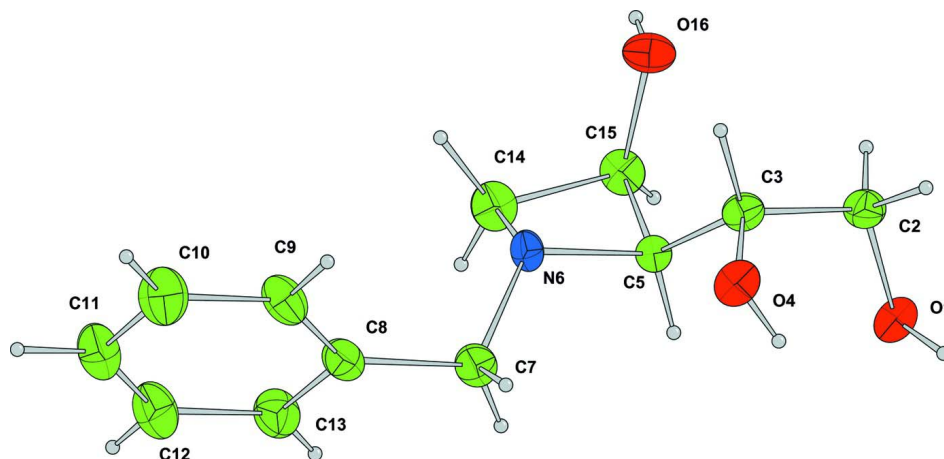
In the absence of significant anomalous scattering, Friedel pairs were merged and the absolute configuration was assigned by the use of *D*-glucose as the starting material.

The H atoms were all located in a difference map, but those attached to C 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, N—H in the range 0.86–0.89 N—H to 0.86 O—H = 0.82 Å) and  $U_{iso}(H)$  (in the range 1.2–1.5 times  $U_{eq}$  of the parent atom), after which the positions were refined with riding constraints.

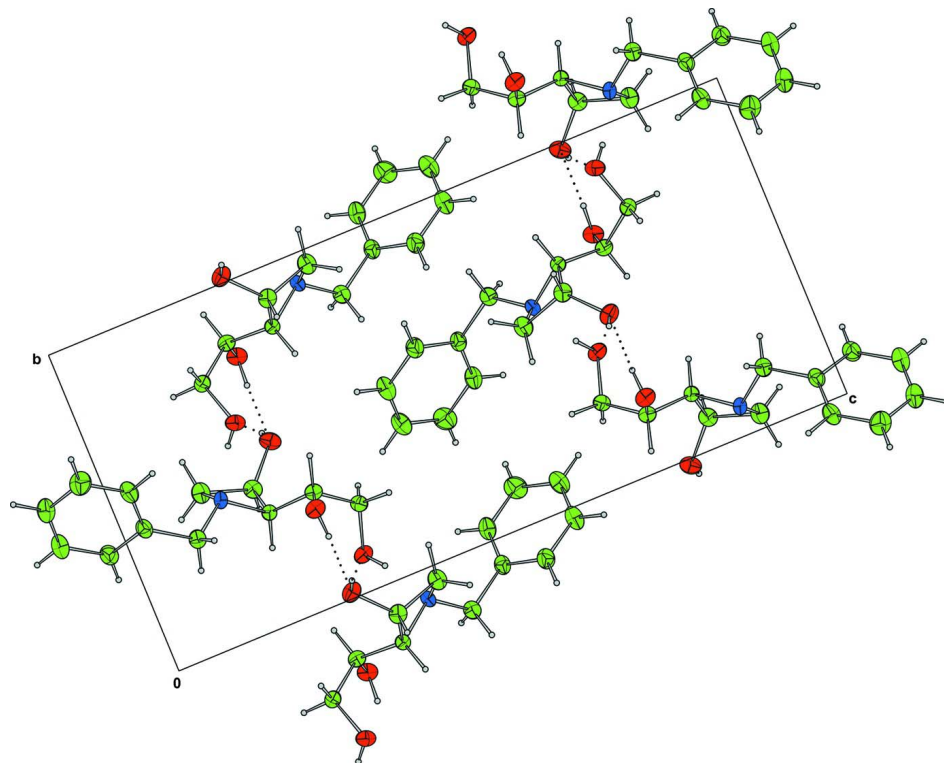


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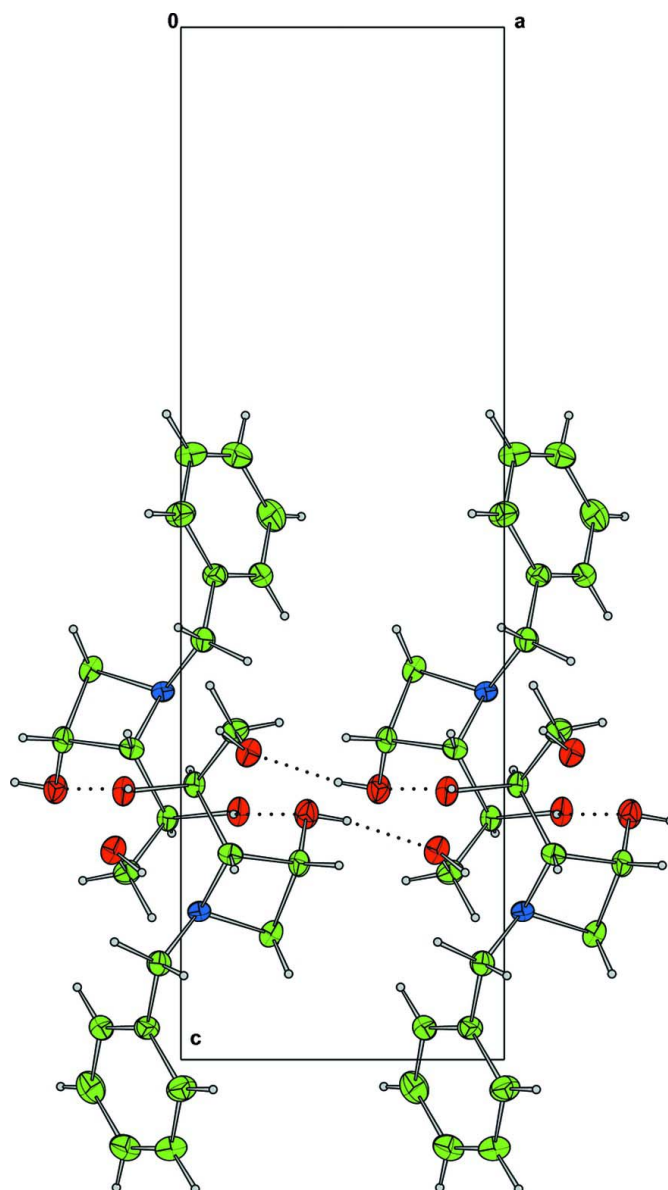
Synthetic Scheme.

**Figure 2**

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

**Figure 3**

Packing diagram of the compound projected along the *a* axis. Hydrogen bonding is denoted by dotted lines.

**Figure 4**

Packing diagram of the compound projected along the *b* axis. Hydrogen bonding is denoted by dotted lines.

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$h = -8 \rightarrow 8$

$k = -12 \rightarrow 12$

$l = -25 \rightarrow 25$

*Refinement*

Refinement on  $F^2$

Least-squares matrix: full

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0 restraints

Primary atom site location: structure-invariant  
direct methods

Hydrogen site location: inferred from  
neighbouring sites

H-atom parameters constrained

Method = modified Sheldrick,  $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F^2) +$   
 $(0.05P)^2 + 0.13P]$ ,

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

$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.0002627$

$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.49 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.49 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

Extinction correction: Larson (1970), Equation  
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Extinction coefficient: 400 (70)

*Special details*

**Experimental.** The crystal was placed in the cold stream of an Oxford Cryosystems open-flow nitrogen cryostat (Cosier & Glazer, 1986) with a nominal stability of 0.1 K.

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

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
O1	0.7910 (3)	0.89266 (18)	0.79718 (9)	0.0257
C2	0.8327 (4)	0.7498 (3)	0.81847 (12)	0.0246
C3	0.9587 (4)	0.6675 (3)	0.76640 (12)	0.0212
O4	1.1771 (3)	0.71531 (19)	0.75988 (9)	0.0261
C5	0.8472 (4)	0.6736 (3)	0.69895 (12)	0.0206
N6	0.9436 (3)	0.5853 (2)	0.64366 (9)	0.0198
C7	1.0678 (4)	0.6647 (3)	0.59325 (12)	0.0248
C8	1.1061 (4)	0.5768 (3)	0.53082 (12)	0.0252
C9	1.2467 (4)	0.4615 (3)	0.53077 (13)	0.0286
C10	1.2791 (5)	0.3829 (3)	0.47302 (15)	0.0384
C11	1.1727 (5)	0.4177 (3)	0.41474 (14)	0.0366
C12	1.0312 (5)	0.5309 (3)	0.41392 (14)	0.0373
C13	0.9984 (5)	0.6088 (3)	0.47187 (13)	0.0313
C14	0.7214 (4)	0.5438 (3)	0.62186 (13)	0.0277
C15	0.6349 (4)	0.5921 (3)	0.69017 (12)	0.0245
O16	0.6117 (3)	0.48138 (19)	0.73784 (9)	0.0277
H22	0.9101	0.7535	0.8624	0.0291*
H21	0.6964	0.7000	0.8265	0.0280*
H31	0.9716	0.5645	0.7806	0.0250*
H51	0.8349	0.7719	0.6843	0.0251*

H72	1.2057	0.6871	0.6139	0.0252*
H71	0.9916	0.7537	0.5814	0.0268*
H91	1.3207	0.4363	0.5701	0.0319*
H101	1.3719	0.3075	0.4739	0.0480*
H111	1.1995	0.3646	0.3761	0.0436*
H121	0.9557	0.5547	0.3747	0.0440*
H131	0.9009	0.6860	0.4710	0.0365*
H141	0.7104	0.4397	0.6145	0.0348*
H142	0.6670	0.5939	0.5830	0.0324*
H151	0.5114	0.6524	0.6881	0.0289*
H41	1.1628	0.8040	0.7623	0.0399*
H161	0.4864	0.4499	0.7314	0.0409*
H11	0.8789	0.9468	0.8187	0.0398*

*Atomic displacement parameters (Å<sup>2</sup>)*

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
O1	0.0245 (9)	0.0213 (9)	0.0312 (9)	0.0011 (8)	-0.0042 (8)	-0.0039 (9)
C2	0.0288 (15)	0.0219 (14)	0.0231 (13)	-0.0006 (12)	-0.0021 (11)	0.0021 (11)
C3	0.0174 (12)	0.0210 (13)	0.0251 (13)	-0.0022 (11)	-0.0003 (11)	0.0004 (12)
O4	0.0193 (9)	0.0254 (10)	0.0336 (10)	0.0013 (8)	-0.0012 (8)	-0.0025 (9)
C5	0.0242 (13)	0.0189 (12)	0.0187 (11)	-0.0011 (11)	0.0015 (11)	-0.0004 (11)
N6	0.0205 (10)	0.0233 (11)	0.0157 (10)	-0.0008 (10)	-0.0005 (9)	-0.0030 (10)
C7	0.0226 (13)	0.0283 (15)	0.0236 (13)	-0.0042 (13)	0.0003 (12)	-0.0009 (12)
C8	0.0246 (14)	0.0304 (15)	0.0206 (12)	-0.0055 (13)	0.0004 (11)	0.0012 (12)
C9	0.0224 (13)	0.0402 (17)	0.0232 (13)	0.0039 (13)	0.0016 (12)	0.0029 (13)
C10	0.0325 (16)	0.0423 (18)	0.0404 (16)	0.0075 (15)	0.0068 (15)	-0.0048 (16)
C11	0.0372 (16)	0.0458 (19)	0.0267 (14)	0.0000 (16)	0.0051 (14)	-0.0056 (15)
C12	0.0399 (17)	0.0489 (19)	0.0232 (14)	-0.0010 (17)	-0.0029 (14)	-0.0025 (14)
C13	0.0350 (16)	0.0333 (16)	0.0256 (13)	0.0041 (14)	-0.0033 (12)	0.0017 (14)
C14	0.0212 (13)	0.0347 (16)	0.0273 (14)	-0.0005 (13)	-0.0055 (12)	-0.0009 (13)
C15	0.0174 (12)	0.0286 (15)	0.0275 (12)	0.0059 (12)	-0.0002 (11)	0.0017 (13)
O16	0.0215 (9)	0.0282 (10)	0.0335 (10)	-0.0042 (8)	-0.0010 (9)	0.0070 (9)

*Geometric parameters (Å, °)*

O1—C2	1.431 (3)	C8—C9	1.393 (4)
O1—H11	0.862	C8—C13	1.385 (4)
C2—C3	1.513 (3)	C9—C10	1.382 (4)
C2—H22	1.000	C9—H91	0.939
C2—H21	0.982	C10—C11	1.376 (4)
C3—O4	1.439 (3)	C10—H101	0.914
C3—C5	1.514 (3)	C11—C12	1.381 (4)
C3—H31	1.011	C11—H111	0.932
O4—H41	0.839	C12—C13	1.382 (4)
C5—N6	1.504 (3)	C12—H121	0.939
C5—C15	1.538 (3)	C13—H131	0.945
C5—H51	0.971	C14—C15	1.532 (3)

N6—C7	1.471 (3)	C14—H141	0.991
N6—C14	1.503 (3)	C14—H142	0.967
C7—C8	1.512 (3)	C15—O16	1.416 (3)
C7—H72	0.976	C15—H151	0.956
C7—H71	0.990	O16—H161	0.844
C2—O1—H11	106.9	C7—C8—C13	120.2 (2)
O1—C2—C3	111.7 (2)	C9—C8—C13	118.2 (2)
O1—C2—H22	108.3	C8—C9—C10	120.5 (3)
C3—C2—H22	111.6	C8—C9—H91	120.3
O1—C2—H21	109.7	C10—C9—H91	119.2
C3—C2—H21	108.5	C9—C10—C11	120.3 (3)
H22—C2—H21	106.9	C9—C10—H101	119.4
C2—C3—O4	113.2 (2)	C11—C10—H101	120.3
C2—C3—C5	110.5 (2)	C10—C11—C12	120.0 (3)
O4—C3—C5	110.0 (2)	C10—C11—H111	118.9
C2—C3—H31	109.8	C12—C11—H111	121.1
O4—C3—H31	104.4	C11—C12—C13	119.5 (3)
C5—C3—H31	108.7	C11—C12—H121	120.9
C3—O4—H41	101.8	C13—C12—H121	119.6
C3—C5—N6	116.5 (2)	C8—C13—C12	121.4 (3)
C3—C5—C15	118.5 (2)	C8—C13—H131	119.5
N6—C5—C15	89.19 (17)	C12—C13—H131	119.1
C3—C5—H51	109.8	N6—C14—C15	89.48 (18)
N6—C5—H51	109.6	N6—C14—H141	111.2
C15—C5—H51	111.8	C15—C14—H141	113.5
C5—N6—C7	115.48 (19)	N6—C14—H142	115.3
C5—N6—C14	89.22 (17)	C15—C14—H142	116.3
C7—N6—C14	114.8 (2)	H141—C14—H142	109.7
N6—C7—C8	111.6 (2)	C5—C15—C14	86.89 (19)
N6—C7—H72	106.5	C5—C15—O16	112.1 (2)
C8—C7—H72	109.0	C14—C15—O16	114.5 (2)
N6—C7—H71	109.8	C5—C15—H151	113.7
C8—C7—H71	109.9	C14—C15—H151	114.9
H72—C7—H71	109.9	O16—C15—H151	112.5
C7—C8—C9	121.6 (2)	C15—O16—H161	104.4

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C11—H111...O4 <sup>i</sup>	0.93	2.55	3.457 (4)	164
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