

**1,1,1,5,5,5-Hexafluoro-2,4-dimethoxy-pentane-2,4-diol**

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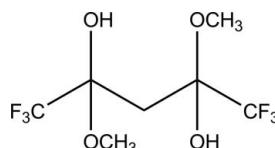
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study;  $T = 100\text{ K}$ ; mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.002\text{ \AA}$ ;  $R$  factor = 0.030;  $wR$  factor = 0.079; data-to-parameter ratio = 13.0.

The title compound,  $\text{C}_7\text{H}_{10}\text{F}_6\text{O}_4$ , was isolated as an unexpected product from a reaction of tantalum(V) methoxide with hexafluoroacetylacetone in a methanol solution. The asymmetric unit consists of one half-molecule with the middle C atom lying on a twofold axis. The crystal structure is stabilized by  $\text{O}-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  and an array of  $\text{C}-\text{H}\cdots\text{F}$  hydrogen-bonding interactions. These interactions link the molecules into a stable supramolecular three-dimensional network. The molecules pack in a ribbon-like form in the  $ac$  plane as a result of these interactions.

**Related literature**

For metal complexes with acetylacetone derivatives, see: Viljoen *et al.* (2010); Steyn *et al.* (2008); Cole *et al.* (2005).

**Experimental***Crystal data*

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Monoclinic,  $C2/c$   
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 $b = 6.713 (5)\text{ \AA}$   
 $c = 9.347 (5)\text{ \AA}$   
 $\beta = 109.509 (5)^\circ$

$V = 1054.5 (10)\text{ \AA}^3$   
 $Z = 4$   
Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\mu = 0.20\text{ mm}^{-1}$   
 $T = 100\text{ K}$   
 $0.75 \times 0.28 \times 0.19\text{ mm}$

**Data collection**

Bruker APEXII CCD diffractometer  
Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SADABS*; Bruker, 2007)  
 $T_{\min} = 0.936$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.963$

5850 measured reflections  
1277 independent reflections  
1049 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.025$

**Refinement**

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.030$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.079$   
 $S = 1.05$   
1277 reflections

98 parameters  
All H-atom parameters refined  
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.39\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.24\text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

**Table 1**  
Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ ).

$D-\text{H}\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}$	$\text{H}\cdots A$	$D\cdots A$	$D-\text{H}\cdots A$
O2—H2···O1 <sup>i</sup>	0.835 (17)	1.935 (17)	2.6648 (14)	145.4 (16)
O2—H2···O2 <sup>ii</sup>	0.835 (17)	2.640 (17)	3.073 (2)	113.7 (14)
C4—H4A···F3 <sup>iii</sup>	0.954 (17)	2.741 (17)	3.644 (2)	158.4 (13)
C3—H3···F2 <sup>iv</sup>	0.945 (13)	2.663 (13)	3.4022 (17)	135.5 (10)
C4—H4A···F1 <sup>v</sup>	0.954 (17)	2.853 (17)	3.383 (3)	116.1 (11)

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

Data collection: *APEX2* (Bruker, 2007); cell refinement: *SAINT-Plus* (Bruker, 2007); data reduction: *SAINT-Plus*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SIR97* (Altomare *et al.*, 1999); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *DIAMOND* (Brandenburg & Putz, 2005); software used to prepare material for publication: *WinGX* (Farrugia, 1999).

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### S1. Comment

In continuation of our research on the formation kinetics of complexes derived from metals like hafnium, zirconium, etc., with different bidentate ligands (Viljoen *et al.*, 2010; Steyn *et al.*, 2008), an unexpected product, the title compound, was isolated after reacting tantalum(V) methoxide with hexafluoroacetylacetone in a methanol reaction solution.

The asymmetric unit of the title compound consists of a half molecule with C3 lying on a twofold axis (Figure 1). The bond angles and bond distances in the title compound are in accord with corresponding bond angles and distances reported for hexafluoroacetylacetone like derivatives (Cole *et al.*, 2005).

The crystal structure is stabilized by O—H···O (O···O separation 2.6648 (14) and 3.073 (2) Å) and an array of C—H···F (C···F separation in the range 3.383 (2)-3.644 (2) Å) hydrogen bonding interactions. All of these interactions serve to link the molecules into a stable supramolecular three-dimensional network. In the *ac* plane, the molecules pack in a ribbon-like formation as a result of these interactions (Figure 2).

### S2. Experimental

The reaction was performed under modified Schlenk conditions under a nitrogen atmosphere. To a solution of Ta(OMe)<sub>5</sub> (0.5010 g, 1.40 x 10<sup>-3</sup> mol), a solution of hexafluoroacetylacetone (0.2912 g, 1.40 x 10<sup>-3</sup> mol) was added and was placed in a sonic bath for 1 h. The resultant mixture was then stored at 252 K. After two days colourless crystals of the title compound were formed.

### S3. Refinement

All H atoms were located from difference Fourier maps and refined isotropically.

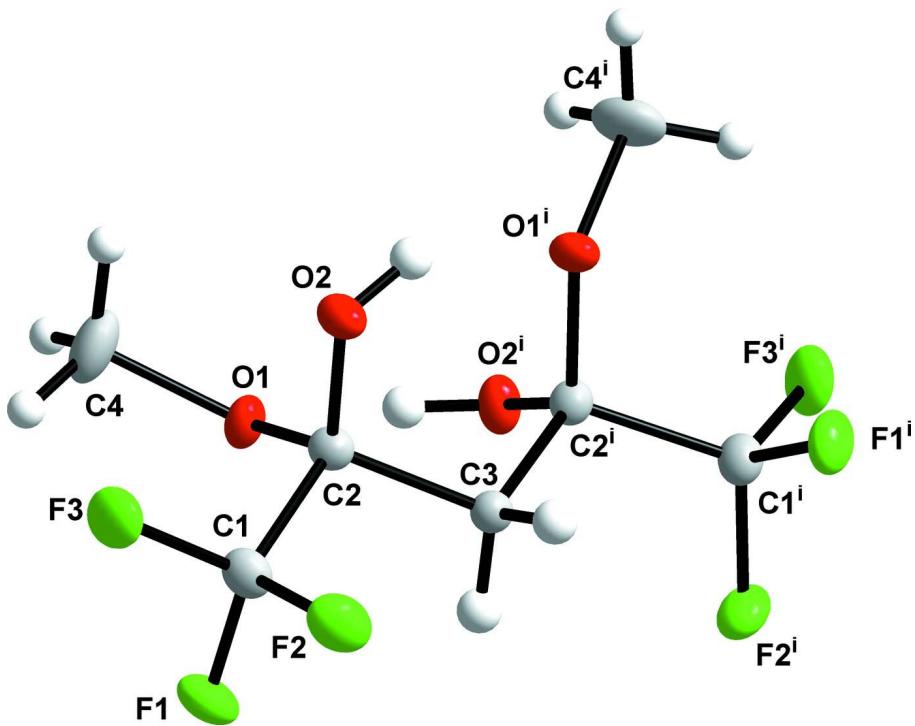
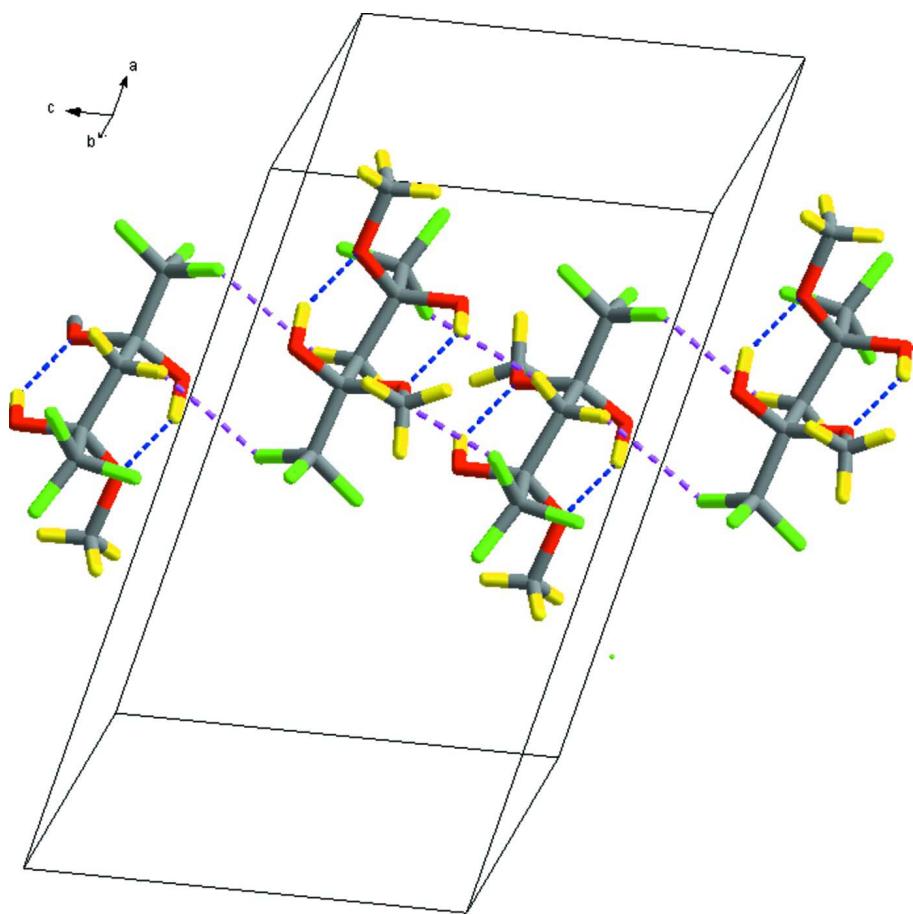


Figure 1

An ORTEP view of the title compound, showing the numbering scheme and displacement ellipsoids (50% probability). Symmetry code: <sup>i</sup>: 1 -  $x$ ,  $y$ ,  $1/2 - z$ .

**Figure 2**

A partial packing diagram of the unit cell showing selected hydrogen bonding interactions of the title compound illustrating the ribbon-like formation across the *ac* plane.

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$F(000) = 552$   
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 $Mo K\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$   
Cell parameters from 2123 reflections  
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$h = -23 \rightarrow 21$   
 $k = -8 \rightarrow 8$

$l = -11 \rightarrow 12$

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$

Least-squares matrix: full

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0 restraints

Primary atom site location: structure-invariant  
direct methods

Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier  
map

Hydrogen site location: inferred from  
neighbouring sites

All H-atom parameters refined

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0386P)^2 + 0.4659P]$   
where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$

$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.39 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.24 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

#### Special details

**Geometry.** All s.u.'s (except the s.u. in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell s.u.'s are taken into account individually in the estimation of s.u.'s in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between s.u.'s in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell s.u.'s is used for estimating s.u.'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  $F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)$  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 ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )

	$x$	$y$	$z$	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
F1	0.67222 (4)	0.00201 (11)	0.36009 (8)	0.0251 (2)
F2	0.61085 (5)	-0.06716 (11)	0.12475 (8)	0.0263 (2)
F3	0.69105 (4)	0.18291 (12)	0.18451 (9)	0.0286 (2)
O1	0.59145 (5)	0.34897 (12)	0.35035 (9)	0.0176 (2)
O2	0.54269 (5)	0.31437 (13)	0.08511 (9)	0.0192 (2)
C1	0.63589 (7)	0.08280 (19)	0.22390 (13)	0.0192 (3)
C2	0.56606 (7)	0.21774 (18)	0.22550 (12)	0.0153 (3)
C3	0.5	0.0899 (2)	0.25	0.0150 (3)
C4	0.64796 (10)	0.5018 (2)	0.34926 (19)	0.0311 (3)
H3	0.4785 (8)	0.008 (2)	0.1636 (14)	0.016 (3)*
H4A	0.6446 (9)	0.598 (3)	0.4222 (18)	0.032 (4)*
H4B	0.6369 (10)	0.559 (3)	0.251 (2)	0.043 (5)*
H4C	0.7027 (13)	0.450 (3)	0.383 (2)	0.056 (6)*
H2	0.4960 (10)	0.351 (3)	0.0706 (18)	0.036 (5)*

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

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
F1	0.0227 (4)	0.0299 (4)	0.0202 (4)	0.0092 (3)	0.0038 (3)	0.0038 (3)
F2	0.0285 (4)	0.0259 (4)	0.0241 (4)	0.0068 (3)	0.0083 (3)	-0.0070 (3)
F3	0.0198 (4)	0.0341 (5)	0.0382 (5)	0.0039 (3)	0.0179 (3)	0.0044 (3)
O1	0.0171 (4)	0.0168 (4)	0.0207 (4)	-0.0048 (3)	0.0085 (3)	-0.0045 (3)
O2	0.0164 (5)	0.0238 (5)	0.0187 (4)	0.0031 (4)	0.0076 (3)	0.0064 (3)

C1	0.0181 (6)	0.0226 (6)	0.0171 (6)	0.0024 (5)	0.0062 (5)	-0.0007 (4)
C2	0.0159 (6)	0.0162 (5)	0.0143 (6)	0.0011 (4)	0.0057 (4)	0.0001 (4)
C3	0.0149 (8)	0.0148 (8)	0.0152 (8)	0	0.0049 (6)	0
C4	0.0336 (8)	0.0291 (8)	0.0342 (8)	-0.0165 (6)	0.0159 (7)	-0.0074 (6)

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

F1—C1	1.3354 (15)	C1—C2	1.5438 (17)
F2—C1	1.3399 (16)	C2—C3	1.5352 (15)
F3—C1	1.3402 (15)	C3—C2 <sup>i</sup>	1.5352 (15)
O1—C2	1.4107 (15)	C3—H3	0.945 (13)
O1—C4	1.4405 (17)	C4—H4A	0.954 (17)
O2—C2	1.3968 (15)	C4—H4B	0.950 (17)
O2—H2	0.835 (17)	C4—H4C	0.98 (2)
C2—O1—C4	118.10 (10)	O1—C2—C1	109.72 (9)
C2—O2—H2	104.9 (11)	C3—C2—C1	109.55 (11)
F1—C1—F2	107.32 (11)	C2—C3—C2 <sup>i</sup>	112.00 (14)
F1—C1—F3	107.38 (10)	C2—C3—H3	108.1 (8)
F2—C1—F3	107.00 (10)	C2 <sup>i</sup> —C3—H3	109.8 (8)
F1—C1—C2	111.41 (10)	O1—C4—H4A	105.3 (10)
F2—C1—C2	111.35 (10)	O1—C4—H4B	111.8 (11)
F3—C1—C2	112.12 (11)	H4A—C4—H4B	112.1 (14)
O2—C2—O1	113.56 (11)	O1—C4—H4C	111.7 (12)
O2—C2—C3	113.38 (9)	H4A—C4—H4C	107.4 (15)
O1—C2—C3	106.02 (9)	H4B—C4—H4C	108.4 (15)
O2—C2—C1	104.60 (9)	 	
C4—O1—C2—O2	-48.50 (14)	F3—C1—C2—O1	-71.61 (13)
C4—O1—C2—C3	-173.64 (11)	F1—C1—C2—C3	-67.23 (11)
C4—O1—C2—C1	68.14 (14)	F2—C1—C2—C3	52.54 (12)
F1—C1—C2—O2	170.92 (9)	F3—C1—C2—C3	172.38 (8)
F2—C1—C2—O2	-69.30 (12)	O2—C2—C3—C2 <sup>i</sup>	-71.42 (8)
F3—C1—C2—O2	50.54 (12)	O1—C2—C3—C2 <sup>i</sup>	53.84 (6)
F1—C1—C2—O1	48.77 (13)	C1—C2—C3—C2 <sup>i</sup>	172.17 (10)
F2—C1—C2—O1	168.55 (9)	 	

Symmetry code: (i)  $-x+1, y, -z+1/2$ .Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ )

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O2—H2 <sup>v</sup> —O1 <sup>i</sup>	0.835 (17)	1.935 (17)	2.6648 (14)	145.4 (16)
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