Synthon evolution and unit cell evolution during crystallisation. A study of symmetry-independent molecules (Z'>1) in crystals of some hydroxy compounds

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Fig.1 ORTEP diagram of pentafluorophenol (1-L).



Fig.2 ORTEP diagram of pentafluorophenol (1-H)



Fig.3 ORTEP diagram of *trans*-1,4-bis(phenylethynyl)cyclohexane-1,4-diol (2-L).



Fig.4 ORTEP diagram of *trans*-1,4-bis(phenylethynyl)cyclohexane-1,4-diol (2-H).



Fig. 5 High Z' form 2-H of *trans*-1,4-bis(phenylethynyl)cyclohexane-1,4-diol. Notice the $(O-H\cdots O)_4$ square synthon and the 4.8^2 network.



Fig. 6 Conformational variations in the symmetry independent molecules in 2-L and 2-H.

Crystallisation of polymorphs

Low Z' form 1-L: Semi-solid pentafluorophenol was liquefied by warming, and then filled in a 0.3 mm. diameter quartz capillary and sealed by flame sealing. The filled capillary was mounted on the goniometer and cooled to 261K. The solid which resulted was melted at 303K by slowly increasing the temperature. The mass was then cooled down to 283K and this resulted in solidification. The capillary surface was gently pressed by hand; this treatment increases both the temperature and the pressure within the capillary. This is sufficient to melt the solid. Cooling then to 277K resulted in a crystal, which was used for data collection. Data was, however, collected at 269K.

High Z' form **1-H**: Pentafluorophenol and pentafluoroaniline were mixed in 1:1 ratio, and the procedure above was repeated except that the various temperatures in the heat-cool cycles were slightly different. The liquid inside the capillary was initially solidified at 301K. It was then melted at 298K and crystals (which were shown in the X-ray analysis to be **1-H**) were finally grown at 294K. Data were collected at 292K.

The dimorphs of **2**, namely **2-L** ($P\overline{1}$, Z'=2) and **2-H** ($P\overline{1}$, Z'=8) were obtained concomitantly from acetone in the University of Durham, and large crystals of **2-H** suitable for neutron diffraction analysis were also obtained in this experiment. However, crystallization of the same synthetic sample in Hyderabad gave only **2-L**. The higher Z' polymorph **2-H** could never be obtained despite using more than five solvents and different crystallization conditions, and unit cells for approximately 25 crystals from different batches were determined: all the crystals were found to be **2-L**. However, **2-H** was obtained in Hyderabad by melt cooling. Approximately 4 mg of **2-**L were heated in the hot bench attached to the Kofler hot stage microscope and melting occurred normally at 456K. When the melt was cooled at the rate of 5°C min⁻ ¹ crystallisation was observed at 369K. A single crystal from the cooled melt was studied on the diffractometer and found to be the high Z' polymorph **2-H**. IR and NMR data of the melt confirms that there was no solid-state reaction or decomposition during heating. Once this metastable polymorph (**2-H**) crystallises it remains as such for a sufficiently long time.

Thermal analysis for compound 2

Thermochemical data provides valuable information about the stability of a polymorph and the interconversion of one polymorph into another. Since crystals of **2-H** and **2-L** were obtained concomitantly from acetone we tried to understand the stability of these two polymorphs via DSC (Mettler Toledo Star) and HSM experiments.

DSC

A Mettler Toledo Star Differential Scanning Calorimeter was used. N₂ was used as the inert gas to flush through the DSC furnace (purge rate 150ml/min) and this prevents condensation. Samples were analyzed using closed aluminum pans at a heating rate of 5° C min⁻¹. When crystals of **2-L** were heated, DSC showed that melting occurs normally at 456K (fig. 7). When the melt was cooled, a crystallisation exotherm was observed at 389K (fig 8). When the cooled melt was reheated, a solid state phase transformation was observed at 389K (fig 9). A single crystal from the cooled melt was studied on the diffractometer and found to be the high Z' polymorph **2-H**.



Fig. 7. Melting endotherm of the low Z' polymorph 2-L.



Fig 8 Crystallisation exotherm of the high Z' polymorph **2-H** from the melt obtained by heating the low Z' polymorph **2-L** of compound **2** to its melting temperature of 456K. Note that the crystallisation occurs at 389K.



Fig 9. Exotherm showing the phase transformation $2-H\rightarrow 2-L$ at 389K. The 2-H material was obtained by melt cooling as indicated in Fig. 8.

Hot stage microscopy, HSM, for compound 2

A Kofler hot stage microscope (Wagner and Munz) was used. The temperature and heating rate were monitored by a digital thermometer. Pictures were taken by a digital camera attached to the microscope and processed with the Motic software. Samples were loaded on a glass slide, placed on the hot bench and heated at a rate of 5° C min⁻¹. The figures below represent the full heating and cooling cycles sequentially. The numbers refer to the temperature in °C.



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Thermal analysis for compound 1

The sample was cooled from room temperature to 223K. DSC scans were then recorded during heating from 223K to 323K and then during cooling from 323K to 223K. These traces show no evidence of Form **1-H**. However, there appears to be a third (enantiotropic) polymorph with a melting point around 270K.



Fig 10 Melting endotherm (270K, 287K) and crystallisation exotherm (273K, 296K) of pentafluorophenol.



Fig 11 Melting endotherm (306K) and crystallisation exotherm (309K, 288K) of pentafluoroaniline.



Fig 12 DSC traces of the 1:1 mixture of pentafluorophenol and pentafluoroaniline.

Table 1. Lattice energy of polymorphs with different Z'. Compounds were chosen where the synthon or 1D structures are similar in the polymorphs. The Dreiding 2.21 force field was used to calculate the energy (SP = single point, GO = geometry optimized).

Sl. No.	Refcode	Z	Z	Space group	Lattice ener	gy (kJ mol ⁻¹)
					SP energy	GO energy
1	BOCPRO	1	4	$P2_{1}2_{1}2_{1}$	-181.09	-198.42
	BOCPRO01	4	8	<i>P</i> 2 ₁	-177.91	-191.22
2	CBMZPN10	1	4	PĪ	-168.15	-171.31
	CBMZPN11	4	8	$P2_{1}/c$	-157.72	-160.99
3	CYACAC	2	4	$P2_{1}/c$	-78.03	-86.57
	CYACAC01	3	12	$P\overline{1}$	-62.58	-80.20
4	DETBAA02	0.5	4	<i>C</i> 2/ <i>c</i>	-168.74	-174.10
	DETBAA01	1	18	$R\overline{3}$	-151.41	-154.13
	DETBAA06	2	18	<i>R</i> 3	-150.28	-152.50
	DETBAA03	4	8	<i>P</i> 2 ₁	-152.87	-160.24
5	FACRIK	1	4	$P2_1/a$	-66.89	-136.17
	FACRIK08	4	8	<i>P</i> 2 ₁	-51.40	-135.50
6	FAKROY01	2	8	Сс	-84.22	-98.58
	FAKROY	4	4	<i>P</i> 1	-61.45	-89.37
7	HUKHUQ01	2	8	$P2_{1}/c$	-218.72	-223.66
	HUKHUQ	6	24	$P2_{1}/n$	-211.48	-213.44
8	MELXEG01	2	8	$P2_{1}2_{1}2_{1}$	-193.02	-194.48
	MELXEG	3	6	<i>P</i> 2 ₁	-190.42	-192.22
9	MHNPRY	1	4	$P2_{1}2_{1}2_{1}$	-193.94	-201.31
	MHNPRY01	3	12	$P2_{1}2_{1}2_{1}$	-187.24	-196.49
10	THIOUR01	0.5	4	Pnma	-69.11	-74.72
	THIOUR11	1	4	$P2_1ma$	-71.99	-75.31
	THIOUR19	1.5	12	Pbnm	-67.77	-71.99
	THIOUR05	4.5	36	Pbnm	-64.05	-70.07
11	UHENUQ01	3	24	Сс	-119.39	-121.98
	UHENUQ	6	12	$P\overline{1}$	-116.92	-120.03
12	BENZIL	0.5	3	<i>P</i> 3 ₁ 2 ₁	-165.47	-168.28
	BENZIL03	3	6	<i>P</i> 2 ₁	-167.02	-168.95

Sl. No.	Refcode	Z	Z	Space group	Lattice energy	r (kJ mol ⁻¹)
					SP energy	GO energy
13	PULHUZ	2	8	Сс	-253.13	-255.43
	PULHUZ01	4	4	<i>P</i> 1	-253.34	-255.60
14	CLEOZP01	1	9	R3	-240.18	-294.76
	CLEOZP10	3	3	<i>P</i> 1	-246.69	-264.10
15	FABFUJ	1	4	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁	-112.32	-133.67
	FABFUJ01	2	8	P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁	-131.62	-143.97
	FABFUJ02	3	12	$P2_{1}/c$	-126.94	-130.08
16	TAHLET20	2	8	P2c	-133.44	-139.75
	TAHLET21	4	8	$P2_{1}/c$	-151.23	-154.85
17	ZZZVTY12	1	6	$P\overline{3}$	-139.54	-148.67

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The validation of the force field was done by considering the unit cell parameters before and after minimization. Only those cases were considered where the variation of each of the cell parameters in all polymorphs was less than 5%. This procedure removed one of the 18 sets of compounds (Ref. Code: FAKRIS, FAKRIS01) obtained in the CSD searches, leaving 17 sets of compounds. These calculations are shown in the next table.

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