Non-Steroidal Biphenyl Gelators: Correlation of Xerogel Structure with Solid-State Structure and CD Spectroscopy

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Structural determination of BBO6-Me

A clear colorless crystal of BBO6-Me with dimensions of 0.10 mm × 0.30 mm × 0.60 mm mounted on a Mitegen Micromount was automatically centered on a Bruker SMART X2S benchtop crystallographic system. The data collection temperature was 27°C. APEX2 software was used for preliminary determination of the unit cell. Determination of integrated intensities and unit cell refinement were performed using SAINT. The integration of the data yielded a total of 6718 reflections to a maximum θ angle of 25.43° (0.83 Å resolution).

The constants for the monoclinic unit cell are a = 25.977(10) Å, b = 7.459(3) Å, c = 6.518(2) Å, β = 94.368(11)°, V = 1259.3(8) Å³. They are based on the refinement of the XYZ-centroids of 1210 reflections above 20.0 I/ σ (I) with 2.36° ≤ θ ≤ 21.79°.

Data were corrected for absorption effects with SADABS using the multi-scan technique. The ratio of minimum to maximum apparent transmission is 57.1:100. The average residual for symmetry equivalent reflections is $R_{int} = 7.39\%$ and $R_{\sigma} = 9.57\%$. XPREP determined the space group to be P 1 21/c 1, with Z = 2 for the formula unit, C₂₆H₃₄O₆.

The structure was solved with ShelXS [1,2], and subsequent structure refinements were performed with ShelXL [1,2]. The final anisotropic full-matrix least-squares refinement on F_{o}^{2} with 140 variables converged at $R_{1} = 9.61\%$ for the observed data and $wR_{2} = 35.12\%$ for all data. The goodness-of-fit was 1.030. The largest peak on the final difference electron density synthesis was $0.51 \text{ e}^{-}/\text{Å}^{3}$, and the deepest hole was $-0.29 \text{ e}^{-}/\text{Å}^{3}$ with an RMS deviation of $0.06 \text{ e}^{-}/\text{Å}^{3}$. On the basis of the final model, the calculated density is 1.167 g/cm^{3} and F(000) = 476. See Table S1 for other experimental details. The crystal structure has been deposited at the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre and has been assigned the deposition number CCDC 1566046.

Crystal data		
C26H34O6	V = 1259.3 (8) Å ³	
Mr = 442.53	Z = 2	
Monoclinic, P21/c	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation	
a = 25.977 (10) Å	$\mu = 0.08 \text{ mm}^{-1}$	
b = 7.459 (3) Å	T = 300 K	
c = 6.518 (2) Å	0.60 × 0.30 × 0.10 mm	
$\beta = 94.368 \ (11)^{\circ}$		
Data collection		
Bruker SMART X2S benchtop diffractometer	2291 independent reflections	
Absorption correction: multi-scan SADABS2016/2 ¹ - Bruker AXS area detector scaling and absorption correction [1]	1061 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$	
$T_{\min} = 0.57, T_{\max} = 0.99$	R _{int} = 0.074	
6718 measured reflections	θ _{max} = 25.4°	
Refinement		
$R[F2 > 2\sigma(F2)] = 0.096$	0 restraints	
wR(F2) = 0.351	H-atom parameters constrained	
S = 1.03	$\Delta q_{\text{max}} = 0.51 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$	
2291 reflections	$\Delta q_{min} = -0.29 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$	
140 parameters		
Data collection: APEX2 [1]; cell refinement: SAINT V8.34A [1]; data reduction: SAINT V8 [1]; program(s) used to solve structure: XT, Version 2014/5 [2]; program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL2014/7 [2]; molecular graphics: PLATON [3].		

 Table S1. X-ray crystallography details.

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Figure S1. Molecular structure of BBO6-Me showing the atom-labeling scheme of the symmetry-unique atoms. Non-hydrogen anisotropic displacement parameters are drawn at the 30% probability level.



Figure S2. Packing diagram of BBO6-Me looking down the *b*-axis showing the columnar nature of the superstructure.