

Bixbyite (Mn_2O_3 , $D5_3$) Structure: AB3C6_cI80_206_a_d_e-001

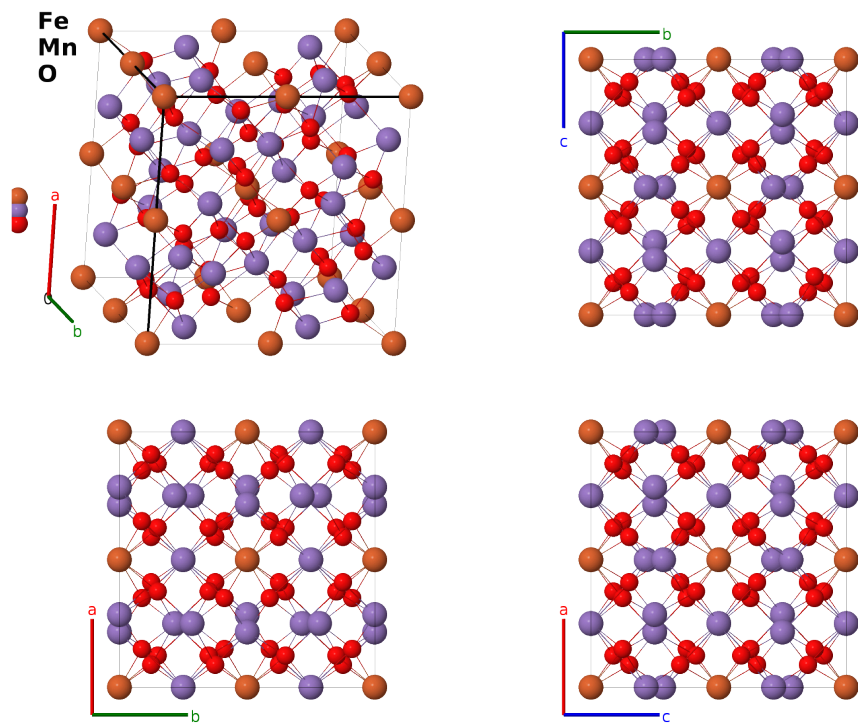
This structure previously used the label(s) **AB3C6_cI80_206_b_d_e**. Calls to these addresses will be redirected here.

Cite this page as:

- H. Eckert, S. Divilov, M. J. Mehl, D. Hicks, A. C. Zettl, M. Esters, X. Campilongo, and S. Curtarolo, *The AFLOW Library of Crystallographic Prototypes: Part 4*, Comput. Mater. Sci. **240**, 112988 (2024), doi: 10.1016/j.commatsci.2024.112988.
- D. Hicks, M. J. Mehl, M. Esters, C. Oses, O. Levy, G. L. W. Hart, C. Toher, and S. Curtarolo, *The AFLOW Library of Crystallographic Prototypes: Part 3*, Comput. Mater. Sci. **199**, 110450 (2021), doi: 10.1016/j.commatsci.2021.110450.

<https://aflow.org/prototype-encyclopedia/G3EF>

https://aflow.org/prototype-encyclopedia/AB3C6_cI80_206_a_d_e-001



Prototype	Mn_2O_3
AFLOW prototype label	AB3C6_cI80_206_a_d_e-001
<i>Strukturbericht</i> designation	$D5_3$
Mineral name	bixbyite
ICSD	30237
CCDC	1604607
Pearson symbol	cI80
Space group number	206
Space group symbol	$Ia\bar{3}$

AFLOW prototype command `aflow --proto=AB3C6_cI80_206_a_d_e-001`
 `--params=a, x2, x3, y3, z3`

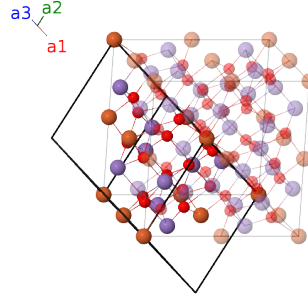
Other compounds with this structure

Am₂O₃, As₂Mg₃, As₂Zn₃, Cd₃P₂, Ce₂O₃, Dy₂O₃, Er₂O₃, Eu₂O₃, Fe₂O₃, Gd₂O₃, Ho₂O₃, In₂O₃, La₂O₃, Lu₂O₃, α-N₂Be₃, N₂Ca₃, N₂Cd₃, N₂Mg₃, N₂Zn₃, P₂Be₃, P₂Mg₃, P₂Zn₃, Pr₂O₃, Pu₂O₃, Sc₂O₃, Sm₂O₃, Tb₂O₃, TeCu₃O₆, Tl₂O₃, Tm₂O₃, U₂N₃, Y₂O₃ (yttria), Yb₂O₃

- A search for “bixbyite” on the American Mineralogist Crystal Structure Database (Downs, 2003) shows two structures with the Mn atoms on the (8a) sites and one with Mn on the (8b) site. We use the structure that agrees with the data for pure Mn₂O₃ bixbyite in (Villars, 1991) Vol. IV, 4346-7.
- The referenced data is for (Mn,Fe)₂O₃, with Mn and Fe randomly populating the (8b) and (24d) sites.
- The pictures and the CIF file put Fe atoms on the (8b) sites and Mn atoms on the (24d) sites in order to better delineate the difference in the crystallographic behavior of the sites, but both sites are randomly occupied.
- An earlier version of this page (and the article) used the label AB3C6_cI80_206_a_d_e. The label has now been corrected to AB3C6_cI80_206_b_d_e.

Body-centered Cubic primitive vectors

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{a}_1 &= -\frac{1}{2}a\hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{2}a\hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{1}{2}a\hat{\mathbf{z}} \\ \mathbf{a}_2 &= \frac{1}{2}a\hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{1}{2}a\hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{1}{2}a\hat{\mathbf{z}} \\ \mathbf{a}_3 &= \frac{1}{2}a\hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{2}a\hat{\mathbf{y}} - \frac{1}{2}a\hat{\mathbf{z}}\end{aligned}$$



Basis vectors

	Lattice coordinates		Cartesian coordinates	Wyckoff position	Atom type
$\mathbf{B}_1$	0	$=$	0	(8a)	Fe I
$\mathbf{B}_2$	$\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a\hat{\mathbf{y}}$	(8a)	Fe I
$\mathbf{B}_3$	$\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a\hat{\mathbf{x}}$	(8a)	Fe I
$\mathbf{B}_4$	$\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a}_2$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a\hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8a)	Fe I
$\mathbf{B}_5$	$\frac{1}{4}\mathbf{a}_1 + (x_2 + \frac{1}{4})\mathbf{a}_2 + x_2\mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$ax_2\hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4}a\hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(24d)	Mn I
$\mathbf{B}_6$	$\frac{3}{4}\mathbf{a}_1 - (x_2 - \frac{1}{4})\mathbf{a}_2 - (x_2 - \frac{1}{2})\mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-ax_2\hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{2}a\hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{1}{4}a\hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(24d)	Mn I
$\mathbf{B}_7$	$x_2\mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4}\mathbf{a}_2 + (x_2 + \frac{1}{4})\mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{4}a\hat{\mathbf{x}} + ax_2\hat{\mathbf{y}}$	(24d)	Mn I
$\mathbf{B}_8$	$-(x_2 - \frac{1}{2})\mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4}\mathbf{a}_2 - (x_2 - \frac{1}{4})\mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{4}a\hat{\mathbf{x}} - ax_2\hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{1}{2}a\hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(24d)	Mn I
$\mathbf{B}_9$	$(x_2 + \frac{1}{4})\mathbf{a}_1 + x_2\mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{1}{4}\mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{4}a\hat{\mathbf{y}} + ax_2\hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(24d)	Mn I
$\mathbf{B}_{10}$	$-(x_2 - \frac{1}{4})\mathbf{a}_1 - (x_2 - \frac{1}{2})\mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{3}{4}\mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a\hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4}a\hat{\mathbf{y}} - ax_2\hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(24d)	Mn I
$\mathbf{B}_{11}$	$\frac{3}{4}\mathbf{a}_1 - (x_2 - \frac{3}{4})\mathbf{a}_2 - x_2\mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-ax_2\hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{3}{4}a\hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(24d)	Mn I
$\mathbf{B}_{12}$	$\frac{1}{4}\mathbf{a}_1 + (x_2 + \frac{3}{4})\mathbf{a}_2 + (x_2 + \frac{1}{2})\mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$a(x_2 + \frac{1}{2})\hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4}a\hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(24d)	Mn I

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{B}_{13} &= -x_2 \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 - (x_2 - \frac{3}{4}) \mathbf{a}_3 = \frac{3}{4} a \hat{\mathbf{x}} - ax_2 \hat{\mathbf{y}} & (24d) & \text{Mn I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{14} &= (x_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 + (x_2 + \frac{3}{4}) \mathbf{a}_3 = \frac{1}{4} a \hat{\mathbf{x}} + a (x_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} & (24d) & \text{Mn I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{15} &= -(x_2 - \frac{3}{4}) \mathbf{a}_1 - x_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_3 = \frac{3}{4} a \hat{\mathbf{y}} - ax_2 \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (24d) & \text{Mn I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{16} &= (x_2 + \frac{3}{4}) \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_3 = \frac{1}{4} a \hat{\mathbf{y}} + a (x_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (24d) & \text{Mn I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{17} &= (y_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_2 + (x_3 + y_3) \mathbf{a}_3 = ax_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + az_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (48e) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{18} &= (-y_3 + z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 - (x_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_2 - (x_3 + y_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 = -ax_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - a (y_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + az_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (48e) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{19} &= (y_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_1 - (x_3 + z_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + (-x_3 + y_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 = -a (x_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - az_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (48e) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{20} &= -(y_3 + z_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_3 - z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + (x_3 - y_3) \mathbf{a}_3 = ax_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - a (z_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (48e) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{21} &= (x_3 + y_3) \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_2 + (x_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_3 = az_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + ax_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (48e) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{22} &= -(x_3 + y_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + (-y_3 + z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 - (x_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_3 = az_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - ax_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - a (y_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (48e) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{23} &= (-x_3 + y_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_2 - (x_3 + z_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 = -az_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - a (x_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (48e) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{24} &= (x_3 - y_3) \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_3 + z_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + (x_3 - z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 = -a (z_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + ax_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (48e) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{25} &= (x_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_3 + y_3) \mathbf{a}_2 + (y_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_3 = ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + az_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + ax_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (48e) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{26} &= -(x_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_1 - (x_3 + y_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + (-y_3 + z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 = -a (y_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + az_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - ax_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (48e) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{27} &= -(x_3 + z_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + (-x_3 + y_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + (y_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_3 = ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - az_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - a (x_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (48e) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{28} &= (x_3 - z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_3 - y_3) \mathbf{a}_2 - (y_3 + z_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 = -ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - a (z_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + ax_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (48e) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{29} &= -(y_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_1 - (x_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_2 - (x_3 + y_3) \mathbf{a}_3 = -ax_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - az_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (48e) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{30} &= (y_3 - z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_2 + (x_3 + y_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 = ax_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + a (y_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - az_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (48e) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{31} &= -(y_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_3 + z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + (x_3 - y_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 = a (x_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + az_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (48e) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{32} &= (y_3 + z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + (-x_3 + z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 - (x_3 - y_3) \mathbf{a}_3 = -ax_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + a (z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (48e) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{33} &= -(x_3 + y_3) \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_2 - (x_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_3 = -az_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - ax_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (48e) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{34} &= (x_3 + y_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_3 - z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + (x_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_3 = -az_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + ax_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + a (y_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (48e) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{35} &= (x_3 - y_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_2 + (x_3 + z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 = az_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + a (x_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (48e) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{36} &= -(x_3 - y_3) \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_3 + z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + (-x_3 + z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 = a (z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - ax_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (48e) & \text{O I}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{B}_{37} &= \begin{matrix} -(x_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_1 - (x_3 + y_3) \mathbf{a}_2 - \\ (y_3 + z_3) \mathbf{a}_3 \end{matrix} = -ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - az_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - ax_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (48e) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{38} &= \begin{matrix} (x_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_3 + y_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + \\ (y_3 - z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 \end{matrix} = a(y_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - az_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + ax_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (48e) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{39} &= \begin{matrix} (x_3 + z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \\ (x_3 - y_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 - (y_3 - z_3) \mathbf{a}_3 \end{matrix} = -ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + az_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + a(x_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (48e) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{40} &= \begin{matrix} (-x_3 + z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 - \\ (x_3 - y_3) \mathbf{a}_2 + (y_3 + z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 \end{matrix} = ay_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + a(z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - ax_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (48e) & \text{O I}
\end{aligned}$$

References

- [1] H. Dachs, *Die Kristallstruktur des Bixbyits (Fe,Mn)₂O₃*, Z. Krystallogr. **107**, S, 370–395 (1956), doi:10.1524/zkri.1956.107.5-6.370.
- [2] P. Villars and L. Calvert, *Pearson’s Handbook of Crystallographic Data for Intermetallic Phases* (ASM International, Materials Park, OH, 1991), 2nd edn.

Found in

- [1] R. T. Downs and M. Hall-Wallace, *The American Mineralogist Crystal Structure Database*, Am. Mineral. **88**, 247–250 (2003).

First cited in

M. J. Mehl, D. Hicks, C. Toher, O. Levy, R. M. Hanson, G. L. W. Hart, and S. Curtarolo, *The AFLOW Library of Crystallographic Prototypes: Part 1*, Comput. Mater. Sci. **136**, S1-828 (2017). doi: 10.1016/j.commatsci.2017.01.017