

# Gypsum ( $\text{CaSO}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , $H4_6$ ) Structure:

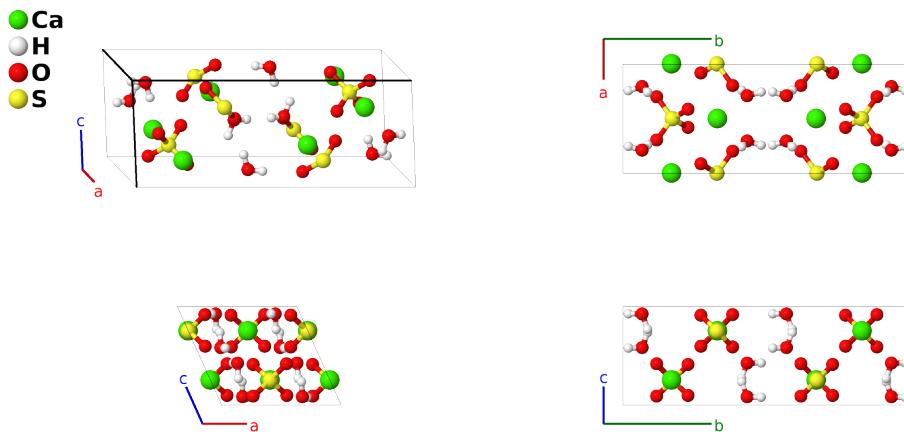
AB4C6D\_mC48\_15\_e\_2f\_3f\_e-001

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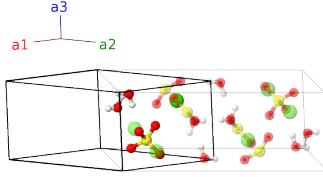
Prototype	$\text{CaH}_4\text{O}_6\text{S}$
AFLOW prototype label	AB4C6D_mC48_15_e_2f_3f_e-001
Strukturbericht designation	$H4_6$
Mineral name	gypsum
ICSD	161622
Pearson symbol	mC48
Space group number	15
Space group symbol	$C2/c$
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- (Onorato, 1929) determined that gypsum was in space group  $C2/m$  #13, and (Hermann, 1937) assigned this to *Strukturbericht*  $H4_6$ . However, (Wooster, 1936) and others determined that the correct space group was  $C2/c$  #15, and (Gottfried, 1938) assigned the  $H4_6$  symbol to this structure. We use the 1 atmosphere data of (Comodi, 2008), who also determined the positions of the hydrogen atoms.

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## Base-centered Monoclinic primitive vectors

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



## Basis vectors

	Lattice coordinates	=	Cartesian coordinates	Wyckoff position	Atom type
$\mathbf{B}_1$	$-y_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_1 \mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$\frac{1}{4}c \cos \beta \hat{\mathbf{x}} + b y_1 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{1}{4}c \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Ca I
$\mathbf{B}_2$	$y_1 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_1 \mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$\frac{3}{4}c \cos \beta \hat{\mathbf{x}} - b y_1 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{3}{4}c \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Ca I
$\mathbf{B}_3$	$-y_2 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$\frac{1}{4}c \cos \beta \hat{\mathbf{x}} + b y_2 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{1}{4}c \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	S I
$\mathbf{B}_4$	$y_2 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$\frac{3}{4}c \cos \beta \hat{\mathbf{x}} - b y_2 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{3}{4}c \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	S I
$\mathbf{B}_5$	$(x_3 - y_3) \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_3 + y_3) \mathbf{a}_2 + z_3 \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$(ax_3 + cz_3 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_3 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8f)	H I
$\mathbf{B}_6$	$-(x_3 + y_3) \mathbf{a}_1 - (x_3 - y_3) \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-(ax_3 + c(z_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8f)	H I
$\mathbf{B}_7$	$-(x_3 - y_3) \mathbf{a}_1 - (x_3 + y_3) \mathbf{a}_2 - z_3 \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-(ax_3 + cz_3 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_3 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8f)	H I
$\mathbf{B}_8$	$(x_3 + y_3) \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_3 - y_3) \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$(ax_3 + c(z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8f)	H I
$\mathbf{B}_9$	$(x_4 - y_4) \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_4 + y_4) \mathbf{a}_2 + z_4 \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$(ax_4 + cz_4 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_4 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_4 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8f)	H II
$\mathbf{B}_{10}$	$-(x_4 + y_4) \mathbf{a}_1 - (x_4 - y_4) \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_4 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-(ax_4 + c(z_4 - \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_4 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_4 - \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8f)	H II
$\mathbf{B}_{11}$	$-(x_4 - y_4) \mathbf{a}_1 - (x_4 + y_4) \mathbf{a}_2 - z_4 \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-(ax_4 + cz_4 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_4 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_4 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8f)	H II
$\mathbf{B}_{12}$	$(x_4 + y_4) \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_4 - y_4) \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$(ax_4 + c(z_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_4 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8f)	H II
$\mathbf{B}_{13}$	$(x_5 - y_5) \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_5 + y_5) \mathbf{a}_2 + z_5 \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$(ax_5 + cz_5 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_5 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_5 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8f)	O I
$\mathbf{B}_{14}$	$-(x_5 + y_5) \mathbf{a}_1 - (x_5 - y_5) \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_5 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-(ax_5 + c(z_5 - \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_5 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_5 - \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8f)	O I
$\mathbf{B}_{15}$	$-(x_5 - y_5) \mathbf{a}_1 - (x_5 + y_5) \mathbf{a}_2 - z_5 \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-(ax_5 + cz_5 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_5 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_5 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8f)	O I
$\mathbf{B}_{16}$	$(x_5 + y_5) \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_5 - y_5) \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$(ax_5 + c(z_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_5 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8f)	O I
$\mathbf{B}_{17}$	$(x_6 - y_6) \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_6 + y_6) \mathbf{a}_2 + z_6 \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$(ax_6 + cz_6 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_6 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_6 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8f)	O II
$\mathbf{B}_{18}$	$-(x_6 + y_6) \mathbf{a}_1 - (x_6 - y_6) \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_6 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-(ax_6 + c(z_6 - \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_6 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_6 - \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8f)	O II
$\mathbf{B}_{19}$	$-(x_6 - y_6) \mathbf{a}_1 - (x_6 + y_6) \mathbf{a}_2 - z_6 \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-(ax_6 + cz_6 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_6 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_6 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8f)	O II
$\mathbf{B}_{20}$	$(x_6 + y_6) \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_6 - y_6) \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_6 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$(ax_6 + c(z_6 + \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_6 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_6 + \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8f)	O II

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{B}_{21} &= (x_7 - y_7) \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_7 + y_7) \mathbf{a}_2 + z_7 \mathbf{a}_3 & = & (ax_7 + cz_7 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_7 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_7 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (8f) & \text{O III} \\
\mathbf{B}_{22} &= -(x_7 + y_7) \mathbf{a}_1 - (x_7 - y_7) \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_7 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 & = & -(ax_7 + c(z_7 - \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_7 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_7 - \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (8f) & \text{O III} \\
\mathbf{B}_{23} &= -(x_7 - y_7) \mathbf{a}_1 - (x_7 + y_7) \mathbf{a}_2 - z_7 \mathbf{a}_3 & = & -(ax_7 + cz_7 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_7 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_7 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (8f) & \text{O III} \\
\mathbf{B}_{24} &= (x_7 + y_7) \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_7 - y_7) \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_7 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 & = & (ax_7 + c(z_7 + \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_7 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_7 + \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (8f) & \text{O III}
\end{aligned}$$

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