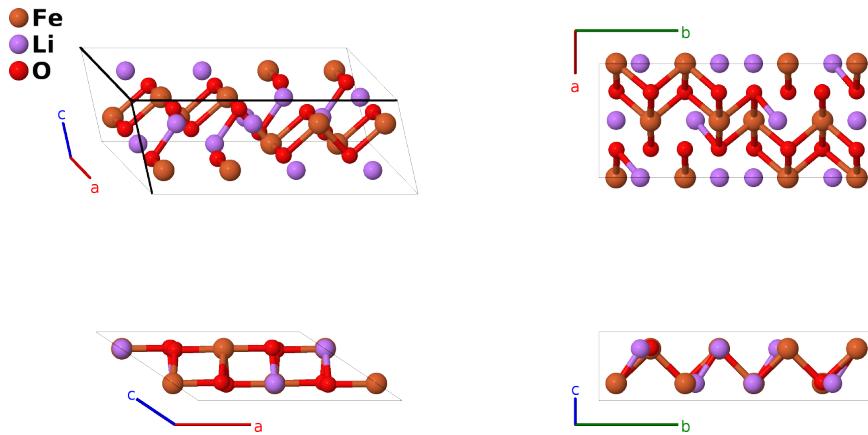


# $\beta'$ -LiFeO<sub>2</sub> Structure: ABC2\_mC32\_15\_2e\_2e\_2f-002

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## Other compounds with this structure

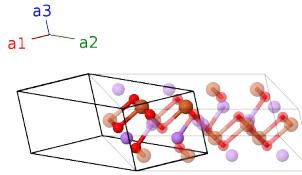
ErLiO<sub>2</sub>, ErNaO<sub>2</sub>

- FeLiO<sub>2</sub> exhibits a wide variety of structures, with the exact structure present depends on thermodynamic effects, preparation methods, and charge/discharge history.
- We follow the nomenclature of (Kanno, 1996), where appropriate, with modifications found in (Tabuchi, 1995) and (Abdel-Ghany, 2012). The following list of structures is no doubt incomplete:
  - $\alpha$ -LiFeO<sub>2</sub> is in the cubic rock salt ( $B1$ ) structure, with lithium and iron randomly placed on the sodium site and oxygen on the chlorine site. It is synthesized at temperatures above 600°C.
  - $\beta$ -LiFeO<sub>2</sub> is a tetragonal distortion of  $\alpha$ -LiFeO<sub>2</sub> with the lithium and iron atoms still randomly placed on their sublattice.
  - $\beta'$ -LiFeO<sub>2</sub> (this structure) is monoclinic and transforms to  $\gamma$ -LiFeO<sub>2</sub> near room temperature. This is likely the phase (Kanno, 1996) refers to as  $\beta$ -LiFeO<sub>2</sub>.

- $\gamma$ -LiFeO<sub>2</sub> is created by low-temperature synthesis below 500°C and can be considered as an ordered version of  $\alpha$ -LiFeO<sub>2</sub>, with a doubled unit cell.
- $\sigma$ -LiFeO<sub>2</sub> is orthorhombic, produced by an ion exchange interaction. It is (meta)-stable below 400°C, transforming to  $\alpha$ -LiFeO<sub>2</sub> above 600°C.
- As with  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -LiFeO<sub>2</sub>, so of the iron and lithium atoms in  $\beta'$ -LiFeO<sub>2</sub> are partially disordered. The Fe-I site is 56% iron and 46% lithium, while the Li-I site is 46% iron and 54% lithium. The Fe-II and Li-II sites are fully ordered.
- Some other sources use ErNaO<sub>2</sub> as the prototype. We choose  $\beta'$ -LiFeO<sub>2</sub> to highlight the connection with the other LiFeO<sub>2</sub> structures.

### 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
$\mathbf{B}_1$	$-y_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_1 \mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_3$	$\frac{1}{4}c\cos\beta\hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_1\hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{1}{4}c\sin\beta\hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Fe I
$\mathbf{B}_2$	$y_1 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_1 \mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_3$	$\frac{3}{4}c\cos\beta\hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_1\hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{3}{4}c\sin\beta\hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Fe I
$\mathbf{B}_3$	$-y_2 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_3$	$\frac{1}{4}c\cos\beta\hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_2\hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{1}{4}c\sin\beta\hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Fe II
$\mathbf{B}_4$	$y_2 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_3$	$\frac{3}{4}c\cos\beta\hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_2\hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{3}{4}c\sin\beta\hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Fe II
$\mathbf{B}_5$	$-y_3 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_3 \mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_3$	$\frac{1}{4}c\cos\beta\hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_3\hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{1}{4}c\sin\beta\hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Li I
$\mathbf{B}_6$	$y_3 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_3 \mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_3$	$\frac{3}{4}c\cos\beta\hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_3\hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{3}{4}c\sin\beta\hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Li I
$\mathbf{B}_7$	$-y_4 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_4 \mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_3$	$\frac{1}{4}c\cos\beta\hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_4\hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{1}{4}c\sin\beta\hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Li II
$\mathbf{B}_8$	$y_4 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_4 \mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_3$	$\frac{3}{4}c\cos\beta\hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_4\hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{3}{4}c\sin\beta\hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Li II
$\mathbf{B}_9$	$(x_5 - y_5) \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_5 + y_5) \mathbf{a}_2 + z_5 \mathbf{a}_3$	$(ax_5 + cz_5 \cos\beta)\hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_5\hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_5 \sin\beta\hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8f)	O I
$\mathbf{B}_{10}$	$-(x_5 + y_5) \mathbf{a}_1 - (x_5 - y_5) \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_5 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$-(ax_5 + c(z_5 - \frac{1}{2}) \cos\beta)\hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_5\hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_5 - \frac{1}{2}) \sin\beta\hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8f)	O I
$\mathbf{B}_{11}$	$-(x_5 - y_5) \mathbf{a}_1 - (x_5 + y_5) \mathbf{a}_2 - z_5 \mathbf{a}_3$	$-(ax_5 + cz_5 \cos\beta)\hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_5\hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_5 \sin\beta\hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8f)	O I
$\mathbf{B}_{12}$	$(x_5 + y_5) \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_5 - y_5) \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$(ax_5 + c(z_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \cos\beta)\hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_5\hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \sin\beta\hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8f)	O I
$\mathbf{B}_{13}$	$(x_6 - y_6) \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_6 + y_6) \mathbf{a}_2 + z_6 \mathbf{a}_3$	$(ax_6 + cz_6 \cos\beta)\hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_6\hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_6 \sin\beta\hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8f)	O II
$\mathbf{B}_{14}$	$-(x_6 + y_6) \mathbf{a}_1 - (x_6 - y_6) \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_6 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$-(ax_6 + c(z_6 - \frac{1}{2}) \cos\beta)\hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_6\hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_6 - \frac{1}{2}) \sin\beta\hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8f)	O II
$\mathbf{B}_{15}$	$-(x_6 - y_6) \mathbf{a}_1 - (x_6 + y_6) \mathbf{a}_2 - z_6 \mathbf{a}_3$	$-(ax_6 + cz_6 \cos\beta)\hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_6\hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_6 \sin\beta\hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8f)	O II
$\mathbf{B}_{16}$	$(x_6 + y_6) \mathbf{a}_1 + (x_6 - y_6) \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_6 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$(ax_6 + c(z_6 + \frac{1}{2}) \cos\beta)\hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_6\hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_6 + \frac{1}{2}) \sin\beta\hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8f)	O II

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