

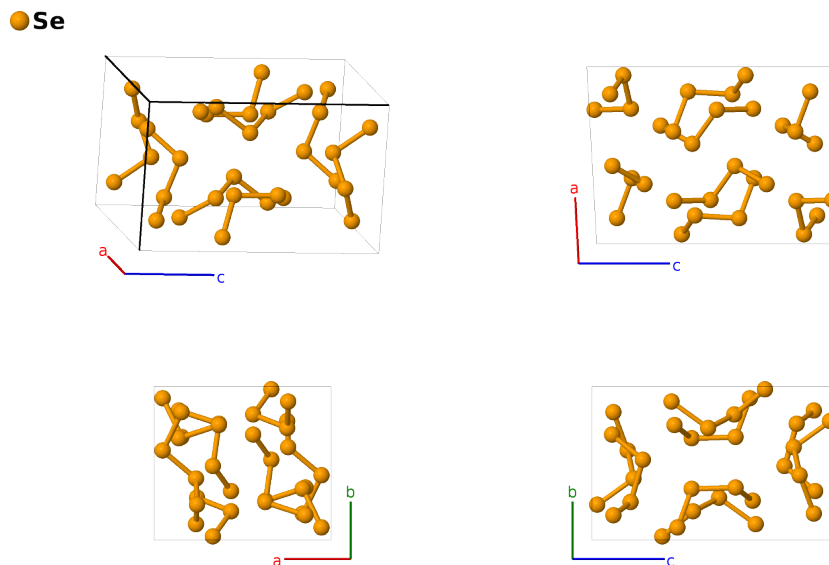
# $\beta$ -Se ( $A_l$ ) Structure: A\_mP32\_14\_8e-001

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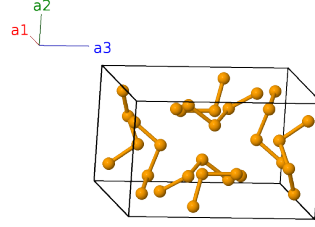


Prototype	Se
AFLOW prototype label	A_mP32_14_8e-001
<i>Strukturbericht</i> designation	$A_l$
ICSD	24670
Pearson symbol	mP32
Space group number	14
Space group symbol	$P2_1/c$
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- Donohue (1982) refers to this as the “monoclinic  $\beta$ -Se structure”.
- Although this structure has the same AFLOW prototype label, A\_mP32\_14\_e, as  $\alpha$ -monoclinic Se, the two structures are distinct, and they are generated by the same symmetry operations with different sets of parameters (`--params`) specified in their corresponding CIF files.

## Simple Monoclinic primitive vectors

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



## Basis vectors

	Lattice coordinates		Cartesian coordinates	Wyckoff position	Atom type
$\mathbf{B}_1$	$x_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_1 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_1 \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$(ax_1 + cz_1 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_1 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_1 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Se I
$\mathbf{B}_2$	$-x_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_1 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_1 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-(ax_1 + c(z_1 - \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + b(y_1 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_1 - \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Se I
$\mathbf{B}_3$	$-x_1 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_1 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_1 \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-(ax_1 + cz_1 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_1 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_1 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Se I
$\mathbf{B}_4$	$x_1 \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_1 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_1 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$(ax_1 + c(z_1 + \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - b(y_1 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_1 + \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Se I
$\mathbf{B}_5$	$x_2 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_2 \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$(ax_2 + cz_2 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_2 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_2 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Se II
$\mathbf{B}_6$	$-x_2 \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_2 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-(ax_2 + c(z_2 - \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + b(y_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_2 - \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Se II
$\mathbf{B}_7$	$-x_2 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_2 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_2 \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-(ax_2 + cz_2 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_2 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_2 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Se II
$\mathbf{B}_8$	$x_2 \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_2 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$(ax_2 + c(z_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - b(y_2 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Se II
$\mathbf{B}_9$	$x_3 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_3 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_3 \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$(ax_3 + cz_3 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_3 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Se III
$\mathbf{B}_{10}$	$-x_3 \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-(ax_3 + c(z_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + b(y_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Se III
$\mathbf{B}_{11}$	$-x_3 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_3 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_3 \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-(ax_3 + cz_3 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_3 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_3 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Se III
$\mathbf{B}_{12}$	$x_3 \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$(ax_3 + c(z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - b(y_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Se III
$\mathbf{B}_{13}$	$x_4 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_4 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_4 \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$(ax_4 + cz_4 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_4 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_4 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Se IV
$\mathbf{B}_{14}$	$-x_4 \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_4 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-(ax_4 + c(z_4 - \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + b(y_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_4 - \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Se IV
$\mathbf{B}_{15}$	$-x_4 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_4 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_4 \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-(ax_4 + cz_4 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_4 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_4 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Se IV
$\mathbf{B}_{16}$	$x_4 \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_4 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$(ax_4 + c(z_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - b(y_4 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Se IV
$\mathbf{B}_{17}$	$x_5 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_5 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_5 \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$(ax_5 + cz_5 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_5 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_5 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Se V
$\mathbf{B}_{18}$	$-x_5 \mathbf{a}_1 + (y_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_5 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-(ax_5 + c(z_5 - \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + b(y_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_5 - \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Se V
$\mathbf{B}_{19}$	$-x_5 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_5 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_5 \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$-(ax_5 + cz_5 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_5 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_5 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Se V
$\mathbf{B}_{20}$	$x_5 \mathbf{a}_1 - (y_5 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$(ax_5 + c(z_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - b(y_5 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Se V
$\mathbf{B}_{21}$	$x_6 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_6 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_6 \mathbf{a}_3$	=	$(ax_6 + cz_6 \cos \beta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_6 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_6 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4e)	Se VI

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{B}_{22} &= -x_6 \mathbf{a}_1 + \left(y_6 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_6 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 &= -\left(ax_6 + c\left(z_6 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \cos \beta\right) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + b\left(y_6 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c\left(z_6 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}} &(4e) &\text{Se VI} \\
\mathbf{B}_{23} &= -x_6 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_6 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_6 \mathbf{a}_3 &= -\left(ax_6 + cz_6 \cos \beta\right) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_6 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_6 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}} &(4e) &\text{Se VI} \\
\mathbf{B}_{24} &= x_6 \mathbf{a}_1 - \left(y_6 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_2 + \left(z_6 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_3 &= \left(ax_6 + c\left(z_6 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \cos \beta\right) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - b\left(y_6 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c\left(z_6 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}} &(4e) &\text{Se VI} \\
\mathbf{B}_{25} &= x_7 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_7 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_7 \mathbf{a}_3 &= \left(ax_7 + cz_7 \cos \beta\right) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_7 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_7 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}} &(4e) &\text{Se VII} \\
\mathbf{B}_{26} &= -x_7 \mathbf{a}_1 + \left(y_7 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_2 - \left(z_7 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_3 &= -\left(ax_7 + c\left(z_7 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \cos \beta\right) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + b\left(y_7 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c\left(z_7 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}} &(4e) &\text{Se VII} \\
\mathbf{B}_{27} &= -x_7 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_7 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_7 \mathbf{a}_3 &= -\left(ax_7 + cz_7 \cos \beta\right) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_7 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_7 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}} &(4e) &\text{Se VII} \\
\mathbf{B}_{28} &= x_7 \mathbf{a}_1 - \left(y_7 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_2 + \left(z_7 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_3 &= \left(ax_7 + c\left(z_7 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \cos \beta\right) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - b\left(y_7 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c\left(z_7 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}} &(4e) &\text{Se VII} \\
\mathbf{B}_{29} &= x_8 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_8 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_8 \mathbf{a}_3 &= \left(ax_8 + cz_8 \cos \beta\right) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_8 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_8 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}} &(4e) &\text{Se VIII} \\
\mathbf{B}_{30} &= -x_8 \mathbf{a}_1 + \left(y_8 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_2 - \left(z_8 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_3 &= -\left(ax_8 + c\left(z_8 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \cos \beta\right) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + b\left(y_8 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c\left(z_8 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}} &(4e) &\text{Se VIII} \\
\mathbf{B}_{31} &= -x_8 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_8 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_8 \mathbf{a}_3 &= -\left(ax_8 + cz_8 \cos \beta\right) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_8 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_8 \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}} &(4e) &\text{Se VIII} \\
\mathbf{B}_{32} &= x_8 \mathbf{a}_1 - \left(y_8 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_2 + \left(z_8 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_3 &= \left(ax_8 + c\left(z_8 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \cos \beta\right) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - b\left(y_8 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c\left(z_8 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \sin \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}} &(4e) &\text{Se VIII}
\end{aligned}$$

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