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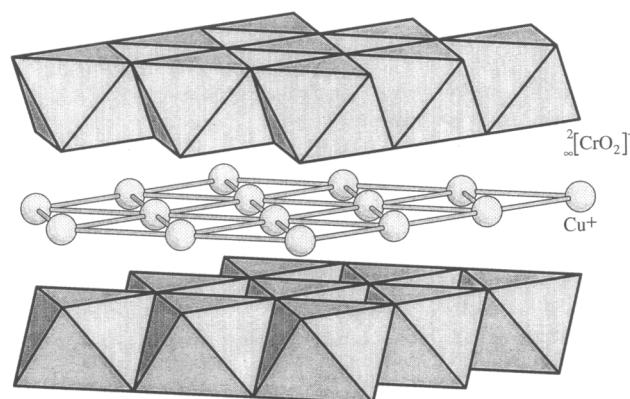
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**Table 1.** Parameters used for the X-ray data collection

Crystal:	plate shaped, size 0.4 x 0.4 x 0.025 mm
Wavelength:	Mo K α radiation (0.71073 Å)
μ :	179.23 cm $^{-1}$
Diffractometer:	Stoe Stadi 4
Scan mode:	ω - θ
T _{measurement} :	293 K
2 θ _{max} :	49.8°
N(hkl) _{unique} :	204
Criterion for F _o :	F _o > 3 σ (F _o)
N(param) _{refined} :	9
Program:	Xtal 3.2

Source of material: The compound is prepared by quenching trigonal CuCrO₂ crystals at 1373 K.

2H-CuCrO₂ is the metastable form of CuCrO₂. It is isostructural with 2H-CuFeO₂ (see ref. 1). The structure is characterized by an AABB stacking of close packed oxygen layers with chromium atoms in octahedral sites. The copper atoms are in linear coordination between directly superposed oxygen layers.

CrCuO₂, hexagonal, P6₃/mmc (No. 194), $a = 2.9740(3)$ Å, $c = 11.400(1)$ Å, $V = 87.3$ Å³, $Z = 2$, $R(F) = 0.035$, $R_{w}(F) = 0.029$.

Table 2. Final atomic coordinates and displacement parameters (in Å²)

Atom	Site	x	y	z	U_{11}	U_{22}	U_{33}	U_{12}	U_{13}	U_{23}
Cu	2c	1/3	2/3	1/4	0.0127(1)	U_{11}	0.0043(2)	$U_{11}/2$	0	0
Cr	2a	0	0	0	0.0046(1)	U_{11}	0.0044(2)	$U_{11}/2$	0	0
O	4f	1/3	2/3	0.0881(2)	0.007(3)	U_{11}	0.004(7)	$U_{11}/2$	0	0

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