

SiC	<i>hP</i> 16	(186) $P6_3mc - b^6a^2$
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SiC 8H [1], carborundum VIII

Structural features: Close-packed Si layers in hc_3 stacking, C in tetrahedral voids (same stacking position as the preceding Si layer). CSi_4 tetrahedra share vertices to form a 3D-framework.

Ramsdell L.S., Kohn J.A. (1952) [1]

CSi

$a = 0.3079$, $c = 2.0147$ nm, $c/a = 6.543$, $V = 0.1654$ nm³, $Z = 8$

site	Wyck.	sym.	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	occ.	atomic environment
Si1	<i>2b</i>	<i>3m.</i>	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	0.125		tetrahedron C ₄
C2	<i>2b</i>	<i>3m.</i>	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	0.21875		tetrahedron Si ₄
Si3	<i>2b</i>	<i>3m.</i>	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	0.375		tetrahedron C ₄
C4	<i>2b</i>	<i>3m.</i>	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	0.46875		tetrahedron Si ₄
Si5	<i>2b</i>	<i>3m.</i>	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	0.75		tetrahedron C ₄
C6	<i>2b</i>	<i>3m.</i>	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	0.84375		tetrahedron Si ₄
Si7	<i>2a</i>	<i>3m.</i>	0	0	0.0		tetrahedron C ₄
C8	<i>2a</i>	<i>3m.</i>	0	0	0.09375		tetrahedron Si ₄

Transformation from published data: origin shift 0 0 0.5

Experimental: single crystal, Weissenberg photographs, X-rays

Remarks: Zhdanov notation (44)₂. Idealized coordinates.

References: [1] Ramsdell L.S., Kohn J.A. (1952), Acta Crystallogr. 5, 215-224.