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H/D isotope effect on the molar volume and

thermal expansion of benzene

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Supplementary Figures



Figure S1: The *in-situ*-heated slab-geometry sample holders used in this work.



**Figure S2:** The result of offline testing using a 15 mm-deep slab can containing MgO powder with a RhFe sensor embedded in the centre. The grey line shows the temperature measured by a RhFe sensor in the Al-alloy frame of the can (the typical measurement made during a 'real' experiment) and the red-line is the measured temperature in the middle of the MgO powder. Yellow bands indicate a 10 minute period after the frame sensor is within 2 K of the set-point. In the absence of an embedded sensor in 'live' online experiment, pursuit of this strategy – slow-ramp and equilibration wait – provides a degree of certainty that the sample temperature is both an accurate and precise reflection of the sample holder's temperature.



**Figure S3:** Plot of the logged frame temperatures during our  $C_6H_6$  measurements. The grey line contains the complete thermal record and the red segments indicate where in this record the data collection occurred. Note that the measurements are much longer than with  $C_6D_6$ , leading to the equilibration times appearing very short by comparison with the subsequent 100 minute time-of-flight data collection (in reality, the same 10 minute wait was used).



**Figure S4:** Plot of the logged frame temperatures during our  $C_6D_6$  measurements, where lines and colours have the same meaning as in Figure S3.



#### Figure S5

High-resolution neutron powder diffraction data for  $C_6H_6$  measured at 10 K collected in backscattering using a 30–130 ms time-of-flight window. Filled red circles are the data and the solid-green line is an 'F(Calc) weighted' fit, the difference curve being reported in purple underneath. Vertical tick marks show the positions of Bragg reflections from  $C_6H_6$  (top) and silicon (bottom). The two excluded regions at shorter d-spacings are due to removal of prompt-pulse artefacts (see main text). Note that the overall count rate is around an order of magnitude lower than from the deuterated sample and that the signal sits on top of a substantial incoherent background due to <sup>1</sup>H.



#### Figure S6a

High-resolution neutron powder diffraction data for  $C_6D_6$  measured at 10 K using a 30–130 ms time-of-flight window. Filled red circles are the data and the solid-green line is an 'F(Calc) weighted' fit, the difference curve being reported in purple underneath. Vertical tick marks show the positions of Bragg reflections from  $C_6D_6$  (top) and silicon (bottom).



#### Figure S6b

High-resolution neutron powder diffraction data for  $C_6D_6$  measured at 10 K using a 100–200 ms time-of-flight window. Filled red circles are the data and the solid-green line is an 'F(Calc) weighted' fit, the difference curve being reported in purple underneath. Vertical tick marks show the positions of Bragg reflections from  $C_6D_6$  (top) and silicon (bottom).

All of the raw experimental data can be accessed at doi: <u>10.5286/ISIS.E.87846762</u> (2017).



#### Figure S7

Compilation of density measurements for ordinary benzene in its liquid and crystalline solid form compared with densities calculated from unit-cell volumes obtained by neutron powder

diffraction. The literature measurements agree very well with one another, with the exception of the two oldest works: Kopp (1855) reports liquid densities that are systematically 0.1 % smaller than all later values; Ferche (1891) reports liquid *and* solid densities that are systematically 0.75 % smaller than all later values. For the purpose of this illustration, both Kopp's and Ferche's densities have been adjusted upward by 0.1 and 0.75 %, respectively. A  $2^{nd}$ -order polynomial was fitted through the liquid densities in the range 270 - 360 K in order to find an accurate value for the density of the liquid at the melting point. The density of the solid at the melting point was found using the double-exponential model fitted to the lattice parameters (see main text).



#### Figure S8

Compilation of density measurements for perdeuterated benzene in its liquid and crystalline solid form. As for  $C_6H_6$ , a second-order polynomial was fitted to the literature-derived liquid density data and the density of the solid at the melting point was extrapolated using our double-exponential model fit. The dashed grey line show likely variation of density up to the melting point based in the measurements of Dunitz & Ibberson (2008).



#### Figure S9

Axial ratios, b/a in black and c/a in red, for both isotopologues. Solid lines report the trends for C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub> from fitting of Eqs. 1 and 2 to the unit-cell parameters and dashed lines report the same results for C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>.

### Supplementary Tables

**Table S1:** Unit-cell parameters of  $C_6H_6$  as a function of temperature. Uncertainties in T are the standard deviation of the measured temperature during the period in which data was being collected. Uncertainties in the cell parameters and the volume are those reported by GSAS.

T (K)	a (Å)	<i>b</i> (Å)	<i>c</i> (Å)	V (Å <sup>3</sup> )
10.00(2)	7.36623(4)	9.38602(5)	6.71088(4)	463.987(3)
24.99(4)	7.36749(6)	9.38756(7)	6.71250(5)	464.255(5)
50.0(1)	7.37376(7)	9.39672(7)	6.72284(5)	465.820(5)
75.00(7)	7.38301(6)	9.41150(8)	6.74017(6)	468.342(5)
99.99(2)	7.39423(7)	9.42905(9)	6.76245(6)	471.482(5)
125.00(1)	7.40580(6)	9.44895(8)	6.78844(5)	475.035(5)
150.01(1)	7.41818(7)	9.4715(1)	6.81811(6)	479.051(6)
175.00(1)	7.43065(7)	9.4975(1)	6.85249(7)	483.596(5)
200.01(1)	7.44306(8)	9.5278(1)	6.89193(7)	488.747(6)
225.00(1)	7.45531(9)	9.5654(1)	6.93753(9)	494.735(8)
250.00(1)	7.4670(1)	9.6144(2)	6.9893(1)	501.77(1)
275.00(1)	7.4771(2)	9.6801(2)	7.0450(2)	509.91(2)

**Table S2:** Unit-cell parameters of  $C_6D_6$  as a function of temperature. Uncertainties in T are the standard deviation of the measured temperature during the period in which data was being collected. Uncertainties in the cell parameters and the volume are those reported by GSAS. Data were collected on warming from 10 to 276K; the final point at 140 K was measured after cooling back down from 276 K.

T (K)	a (Å)	<i>b</i> (Å)	<i>c</i> (Å)	V (Å <sup>3</sup> )
10.01(2)	7 35438(2)	9 37040(2)	6 69943(2)	461 681(1)
20.01(2)	7 35482(8)	9 37111(8)	6,70030(7)	461 804(4)
30.00(3)	7 35633(8)	9 37340(8)	6 70268(7)	462 176(4)
39 99(2)	7 35907(8)	9 37696(9)	670652(7)	462 788(4)
50.01(3)	7.36168(8)	9.38170(8)	6.71202(7)	463.566(4)
60.00(2)	7.36549(8)	9.38696(8)	6.71840(6)	464.507(4)
70.00(3)	7.36945(7)	9.39313(8)	6.72586(6)	465.579(4)
80.00(3)	7.37386(7)	9.39953(8)	6.73391(6)	466.733(4)
90.00(3)	7.37833(7)	9.40659(8)	6.74264(6)	467.973(4)
100.00(1)	7.38288(7)	9.41403(8)	6.75212(6)	469.290(4)
110.00(1)	7.38768(6)	9.42207(8)	6.76194(5)	470.680(4)
120.00(1)	7.39262(7)	9.42990(9)	6.77227(6)	472.106(5)
130.01(2)	7.39758(6)	9.43862(8)	6.78323(5)	473.625(4)
140.00(1)	7.40277(6)	9.44751(8)	6.79465(6)	475.203(4)
150.01(1)	7.40808(7)	9.45680(8)	6.80687(6)	476.867(4)
160.00(1)	7.41328(6)	9.46656(8)	6.81977(6)	478.599(4)
170.00(1)	7.41860(6)	9.47682(9)	6.83326(6)	480.411(4)
180.03(2)	7.42388(7)	9.48766(9)	6.84782(6)	482.328(5)
190.01(2)	7.42905(7)	9.49958(9)	6.86318(6)	484.354(5)
200.00(1)	7.43406(7)	9.51224(9)	6.87955(6)	486.484(5)
210.00(1)	7.43920(6)	9.52596(9)	6.89705(6)	488.763(5)
220.01(1)	7.44421(7)	9.5409(1)	6.91545(7)	491.168(5)
230.01(1)	7.44920(7)	9.5577(1)	6.93487(6)	493.744(5)
240.01(1)	7.45403(6)	9.5764(1)	6.95544(6)	496.500(5)
250.01(1)	7.45878(7)	9.5971(1)	6.97692(7)	499.426(6)
260.00(1)	7.46339(7)	9.6206(1)	6.99924(7)	502.561(6)
262.00(1)	7.46439(8)	9.6259(1)	7.00381(7)	503.235(6)
264.00(1)	7.46553(9)	9.6307(1)	7.00831(8)	503.883(7)
265.99(2)	7.4665(1)	9.6364(1)	7.01282(9)	504.574(7)
268.00(1)	7.4674(1)	9.6419(2)	7.01740(9)	505.254(8)
270.01(1)	7.4684(1)	9.6479(2)	7.0221(1)	505.973(8)
272.01(1)	7.4697(1)	9.6534(2)	7.0263(1)	506.65(1)
274.01(1)	7.4704(1)	9.6593(2)	7.0312(1)	507.37(1)
276.01(2)	7.4711(2)	9.6661(2)	7.0358(1)	508.10(1)
139.99(3)	7.40185(6)	9.44693(7)	6.79627(5)	475.227(4)

**Table S3:** Parameters obtained by least-squares fitting of equations 1 and 2 to the data given in Tables 1 and 2. Not that all parameters were fitted independently for the *b*-axis and *c*-axis; for the *a*-axis, the terms q and s were fixed equal in the protiated and deuterated species and determined as part of a global fit. RSS = residual sum of squares.

Parameter	$C_6D_6$	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	
<i>a</i> -axis			
$a_{0}(\text{\AA})$	7 3542(1)	7 3662(1)	
n	9 3(1) x $10^{-5}$	$9.0(1) \times 10^{-5}$	
P a	-359(8)	-359(8)	
r r	$-22(4) \times 10^{-5}$	$-2.5(5) \times 10^{-5}$	
S	-652(57)	-652(57)	
RSS	7.21 x 10 <sup>-7</sup>	4.04 x 10 <sup>-7</sup>	
<i>b</i> -axis			
$b_0$ (Å)	9.3707(2)	9.3861(3)	
p	1.29(2) x 10 <sup>-4</sup>	1.28(2) x 10 <sup>-4</sup>	
q	-45(1)	-45(1)	
r	2.2(2) x 10 <sup>-3</sup>	1.6(2) x 10 <sup>-3</sup>	
S	-1288(23)	-1206(35)	
RSS	3.70 x 10 <sup>-6</sup>	9.36 x 10 <sup>-7</sup>	
<i>c</i> -axis			
$c_0$ (Å)	6.6993(2)	6.7109(1)	
p	$2.13(3) \times 10^{-4}$	2.26(2) x 10 <sup>-4</sup>	
$\overline{q}$	-43.7(9)	-48.3(5)	
r	1.67(9) x 10 <sup>-3</sup>	1.70(5) x 10 <sup>-3</sup>	
S	-627(15)	-644(12)	
RSS	1.43 x 10 <sup>-6</sup>	4.65 x 10 <sup>-8</sup>	

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