

Crystal and Molecular Structure of the Cd Salt of D(-)-Phosphoglyceric Acid

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The crystal and molecular structure of the cadmium salt of D(-)-phosphoglyceric acid has been determined by three-dimensional X-ray methods. The crystals are monoclinic with unit cell dimensions $a = 7.888 \text{ \AA}$, $b = 8.530 \text{ \AA}$, $c = 7.733 \text{ \AA}$ and $\beta = 92.75^\circ$. The space group is $P2_1$ with two molecules per unit cell. The structure determination was based on 916 reflections, and a final R -factor of 0.068 was reached by least squares refinements. The cadmium ion is surrounded by seven oxygen atoms, arranged as a pentagonal bipyramid. The crystals were found to contain six molecules of water per unit cell.

Our interest in 3-phosphoglyceric acid, $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4\text{CH}_2\text{CHOHCOOH}$, was stimulated by the important role this molecule plays in the energy metabolism. The compound is an intermediate in carbohydrate metabolism and an end product in the oxidation of 3-phosphoglyceraldehyde *via* 1,3-di-phosphoglyceric acid, the energy of oxidation being used in the formation of adenosine-triphosphate (ATP) from adenosine-diphosphate. It is also a starting point in the formation of phospho-enol-pyruvic acid by the isomerisation to 2-phosphoglyceric acid.

3-Phosphoglyceric acid has one asymmetric carbon atom and thus exists in two optically active forms. The D-form, which is characterized by $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -14.5^\circ$, was studied. Attempts to crystallize salts formed by this compound and one of the lighter metal ions, especially Mg and Ca, were unsuccessful. Good crystals were obtained only of the barium and cadmium salts, so we chose to investigate the cadmium compound. The cadmium ion has 46 electrons constituting 27 % of the total, and thus the interesting part of the structure was expected to suffer from relatively large standard deviations in bond and angle values.

EXPERIMENTAL

Small prismatic crystals were obtained by slow diffusion of ethanol into a solution of the compound in water. They were easy to cut, and pieces of approximately $0.10 \times 0.10 \times 0.20 \text{ mm}$ were used in collecting the X-ray data. The crystals proved to be

unstable, and three different specimens were used to obtain the intensity data. Unit cell dimensions were determined by least squares analysis of 26 lines on a Guinier photograph taken at room temperature with $\text{CuK}\alpha$ radiation ($\lambda = 1.54050 \text{ \AA}$) using KCl as a standard. The intensity data were obtained by using multi-film, integrating equi-inclination Weissenberg technique with Ni-filtered $\text{CuK}\alpha$ radiation at room temperature. The layers $h0l$ to $h3l$ were recorded with the first crystal, $h3l$ to $h5l$ with the second, and $0kl$ and $1kl$ with the third. The intensities were measured photometrically except for the weakest reflections which were estimated visually with the use of a calibrated scale. The total number of reflections obtainable with copper radiation is 1324. Of these, 916 might occur on the recorded films. 842 reflections were actually observed to be above the background level, hence 74 reflections were recorded as zero observed. The intensities were corrected for absorption effects.

The full matrix least squares program used in the parameter refinement procedure¹ minimizes the functions $\sum W^2(F_o - F_c)^2$. The weight W applied to the structure factors was constant for $|F_o| < 30.0$, and proportional to $|F_o|^{-2/3}$ for larger values of F_o . Non-observed reflections were included with a structure factor of the most probable value² and assigned a weight of one third of the weight given to the observed reflections. The atomic form factors used were those of Hanson *et al.*,³ except for the cadmium ion where the values were those given by Cramer *et al.*⁴

The density of the crystals was measured by flotation methods.

CRYSTAL DATA

Asymmetric unit: $\text{C}_3\text{H}_5\text{O}_7\text{PCd}, 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$. Crystal system: monoclinic. Unit cell dimensions: $a = 7.888(0.002) \text{ \AA}$; $b = 8.530(0.002) \text{ \AA}$; $c = 7.733(0.002) \text{ \AA}$; $\beta = 92.75(0.01)^\circ$. The figures in parentheses are estimated standard deviations. Molecular weight: 350.4. Cell volume: 519.8 \AA^3 . Measured density: 2.203 g/cm^3 . $F_{000} = 340$. Absent reflections: $0k0$ when $k = 2n + 1$. Space group: $P2_1$.

STRUCTURE DETERMINATION

The space groups compatible with the systematically absent reflections are $P2_1/m$ and $P2_1$. The optical activity excludes mirror symmetry, hence the space group is $P2_1$. The position of the cadmium ion and the phosphorus atom were located from a Patterson map. A subsequent Fourier in the $h0l$ projection indicated the position of the entire molecule and also the location of one molecule of water. The suggested structure yielded an R -factor of 0.15 based on the three-dimensional data. A three-dimensional Fourier synthesis strongly indicated the presence of more water molecules, and the introduction of one additional water molecule led to an R -factor of 0.09.

Also a third molecule of water was included from considerations of a model of the coordination around the cadmium ion and from indications from a three-dimensional difference map. This gave an R -factor of 0.08.

The hydrogen atoms could not be located by Fourier methods and were placed in expected positions and given a temperature factor of 5.0 or 4.0.

The final refinements with anisotropic thermal parameters for all the atoms except hydrogen gave an R -factor of 0.068. The final parameters are listed in Table 2 together with their standard deviations. A comparison of observed and calculated structure factors is given in Table 1, the figures for the non-observed reflections being those actually used in the least squares calculations.

Table 1. Observed and calculated structure factors. The columns are h , k , l , F_o and F_c .

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4	2	-1	279	273	5	2	12	306	323	6	5	1	265	284	7	5	44	120		

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10	1	0	77	85	3	1	0	0	0	6	2	7	37	59 *	10	0	0	11	20 *

DISCUSSION

The water content found does not agree with that reported by Neuberg and Kobel ⁵ and also leads to a calculated density (2.238 g/cm³) slightly greater than the measured density (2.203 g/cm³). However, three water molecules per glycerophosphate molecule give the best agreement between the calculated and the measured density and this is also supported by crystallographic evidence. The fact that the crystals are not stable may indicate that part of the water is easily lost, which may explain the low density measurement and the low water content in properly dried material.

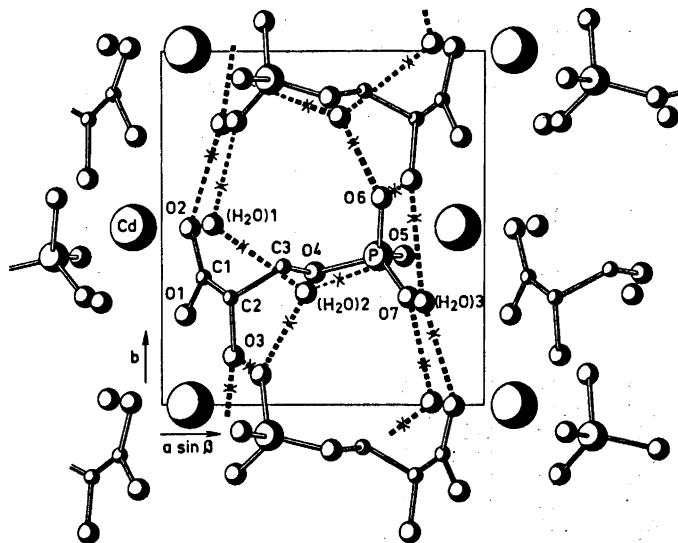
Fig. 1. The structure of the Cd-salt of 3-phosphoglyceric acid viewed along the *c*-axis.

Table 2. Final parameters and their estimated standard deviations. The temperature factor has the form of $\exp - (B_{11}h^2 + B_{22}k^2 + B_{33}l^2 + B_{12}hk + B_{13}hl + B_{23}kl)$. The values have been multiplied by 10^{-4} .

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>B</i> ₁₁	<i>B</i> ₂₂	<i>B</i> ₃₃	<i>B</i> ₁₂	<i>B</i> ₁₃	<i>B</i> ₂₃
Cd	0724 1	0000 0	1055 1	0116 1	0095 2	0103 2	0015 7	0004 2	0002 6
P	6695 6	4227 8	2403 6	0105 7	0120 10	0085 7	0008 14	0005 11	0021 15
C1	1247 33	3752 44	1694 31	0192 44	0211 68	0167 40	-0293 108	0126 68	0227 91
C2	2094 24	3068 30	3393 30	0093 27	0077 42	0212 42	0002 68	0008 53	-0009 70
C3	3788 25	3915 40	3814 24	0110 28	0222 57	0120 30	0039 75	-0003 47	0033 71
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O2	0950 18	5122 33	1577 17	0179 23	0044 26	0148 20	0067 76	-0050 34	0037 62
O3	2257 26	1429 19	3258 23	0253 35	0020 26	0183 31	0026 64	-0073 54	-0033 44
O4	4739 18	3822 29	2271 18	0120 23	0265 43	0134 23	-0139 56	0011 37	-0031 57
O5	7121 17	4287 22	0579 17	0115 21	0224 42	0126 22	-0076 42	0025 35	0017 45
O6	6833 24	5892 26	3294 21	0244 36	0174 39	0132 27	-0001 68	-0011 53	0065 62
O7	7658 20	3151 24	3646 20	0167 26	0151 36	0160 27	0135 38	-0078 44	-0009 51
(H ₂ O)1	8441 18	0181 38	2701 19	0181 25	0251 53	0192 27	0223 88	0027 42	-0143 86
(H ₂ O)2	5614 21	8258 28	1510 27	0158 28	0173 43	0287 41	-0074 58	-0129 55	0029 66
(H ₂ O)3	1852 31	7976 21	2879 26	0369 56	0025 24	0205 34	0050 79	-0068 72	-0050 50
	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>B</i>					
H1(C3)	3558	5154	4116	4.0					
H2(C3)	4434	3449	4920	4.0					
H(C2)	1258	3316	4437	4.0					
H(O3)	7878	5278	6616	5.0					
H(O6)	7162	6086	4539	5.0					
H1(H ₂ O)1	8143	1291	3059	5.0					
H2(H ₂ O)1	7459	9513	2287	5.0					
H1(H ₂ O)2	6083	7348	2196	5.0					
H2(H ₂ O)2	4615	8635	0743	5.0					
H1(H ₂ O)3	2030	8039	4552	5.0					
H2(H ₂ O)3	1523	6928	2389	5.0					

Table 3. Interatomic distances (Å) and bond angles (°). Standard deviations in parenthesis.

C1-O1	1.34 (3)	O1-C1-O2	128 (3)
C1-O2	1.19 (4)	O1-C1-C2	112 (3)
C1-C2	1.56 (4)	O2-C1-C2	120 (2)
C2-C3	1.54 (3)	C1-C1-C3	110 (2)
C2-O3	1.41 (3)	C1-C2-O3	110 (2)
C3-O4	1.44 (2)	O3-C2-C3	114 (2)
P-O4	1.58 (2)	C2-C3-O4	106 (2)
P-O5	1.47 (1)	C3-O4-P	119 (1)
P-O6	1.58 (2)	O4-P-O5	102 (1)
P-O7	1.51 (2)	O4-P-O6	106 (1)
		O4-P-O7	112 (1)
		O5-P-O6	112 (1)
		O5-P-O7	120 (1)
		O6-P-O7	104 (1)

The structure as viewed down the *c*-axis is illustrated in Fig. 1. Table 3 gives the interatomic distances and bond angles. The bond lengths and angles are also shown in Fig. 2. The components of the thermal vibrational r.m.s. amplitudes along the axes of the unit cell are listed in Table 4. Fig. 3 illustrates the vibrational ellipsoids of the atoms. Despite the fact that the data were collected mainly along one zone axis and from different crystals, the vibrational amplitudes seem reasonable.

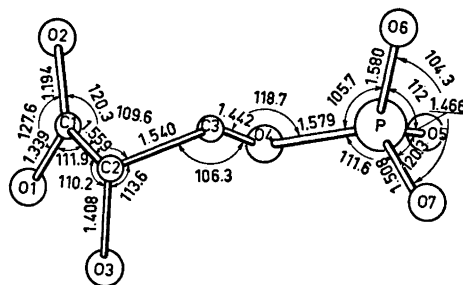


Fig. 2. Schematical drawing of the molecule showing interatomic distances and bond angles.

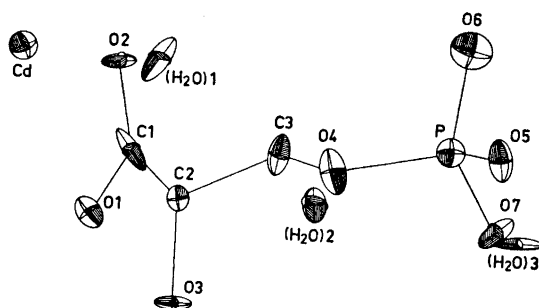


Fig. 3. Vibrational ellipsoids of the atoms in the $C_3H_5O_7PCd \cdot 3H_2O$ crystal structure.

Table 4. Temperature factors in the direction of the vibrational axes and the components of the vibrational amplitudes (in Å) along the crystallographic axes.

Cd	3.08	0.1590	0.1041	-0.0467
	2.70	-0.0823	0.1553	0.0533
	2.41	0.0689	-0.0221	0.1623
P	3.55	0.0204	-0.2080	0.0376
	2.60	0.1792	0.0127	-0.0187
	1.96	0.0214	0.0291	0.1545
O1	6.66	-0.0372	0.0031	0.2910
	4.67	0.1692	-0.1734	0.0314
	2.22	0.1189	0.1176	0.0195
O2	5.02	0.2213	0.0393	-0.1043
	3.41	0.0801	0.0713	0.1820
	0.88	0.0306	-0.0978	0.0269
O3	6.91	0.2640	0.0237	-0.1195
	3.90	0.1006	-0.0160	0.2024
	0.51	-0.0031	0.0801	0.0079
O4	8.38	0.1061	-0.3075	0.0236
	3.19	-0.0269	0.0027	0.1979
	2.32	0.1605	0.0565	0.0286
O5	6.80	-0.0726	0.2839	0.0134
	3.08	0.0847	0.0110	0.1823
	2.49	0.1544	0.0439	-0.0658
O6	6.14	-0.2702	0.0458	0.0396
	5.35	0.0570	0.2397	0.0865
	2.81	0.0228	-0.0666	0.1762
O7	6.45	0.1948	0.1818	-0.0947
	3.88	-0.0134	0.1206	0.1849
	2.14	0.1203	-0.0901	0.0731
(H ₁ O)1	9.77	0.1633	0.2914	-0.1027
	4.65	0.1365	-0.0001	0.2073
	1.96	-0.1080	0.0882	0.0681
(H ₁ O)2	8.05	-0.1376	0.0840	0.2692
	5.06	0.0513	-0.2290	0.0977
	2.86	0.1677	0.0641	0.0720
(H ₁ O)3	9.61	0.3338	0.0327	-0.0811
	4.69	0.0704	-0.0287	0.2351
	0.60	-0.0049	0.0860	0.0119
C1	10.76	0.2078	-0.2671	0.1577
	2.92	0.1117	0.0001	-0.1512
	1.07	0.0685	0.0802	0.0521
C2	5.07	0.0018	0.0107	-0.2531
	2.31	0.1642	0.0484	0.0111
	2.23	-0.0477	0.1612	0.0042
C3	6.57	0.0373	0.2844	0.0323
	2.99	0.1084	0.0032	-0.1564
	2.52	0.1467	-0.0296	0.1046

The crystal structure appears to be governed by the coordination around the cadmium ion. The hydrogen bonds between glycerophosphate molecules are mainly formed through bridging water molecules, whereas three of the glycerophosphate molecules are coordinated to the same cadmium ion. Each of the glycerophosphate molecules is in turn coordinated to three different cadmium ions through four of its oxygen atoms (O1, O2, O3, and O5). One of these (O1) also participates in coordination to two different cadmium ions.

The cadmium ion is coordinated to seven oxygen atoms which form a slightly distorted pentagonal bipyramid as illustrated in Fig. 4. The distances

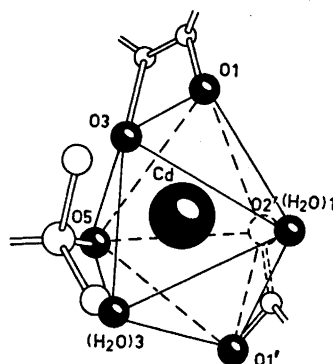


Fig. 4. The coordination of the cadmium ion.

between the cadmium ion and the oxygen atoms as well as those between the oxygen atoms are given in Table 5. Five of the oxygen atoms coordinated to cadmium are lying in a plane through cadmium. The deviations from a least squares plane through these atoms are less than 0.1 Å.

The mean Cd–O distance is 2.346 Å, which is in agreement with the sum of the van der Waals radii for the atoms (O: 1.40 Å, Cd: 0.97 Å). Since estimated standard deviations in the Cd–O distances are about 0.02 Å, there are three

Table 5. Distances in Å between oxygen atoms coordinated to cadmium, and between these oxygen atoms and cadmium.

(H ₂ O)1 – (H ₂ O)3	3.28	Cd – O1	2.27
(H ₂ O)1 – O1	3.29	Cd – O1'	2.64
(H ₂ O)1 – O1'	3.41	Cd – O2'	2.38
(H ₂ O)1 – O2	3.37	Cd – O3	2.38
(H ₂ O)1 – O3	3.20	Cd – O3	2.38
(H ₂ O) – O3	2.98	Cd – O5	2.25
(H ₂ O)3 – O1	3.32	Cd – (H ₂ O)1	2.26
(H ₂ O)3 – O5	3.04	Cd – (H ₂ O)3	2.38
O1 – O5	3.23		
O1' – O5	3.42		
O3 – O5	3.54		
O2 – O5	3.16		
O1 – O3	2.55		
O1 – O2'	2.99		
O1 – O2'	2.27		

Cd-O distances significantly shorter than the others, namely Cd-(H₂O)1, Cd-O1, and Cd-O5. This may be explained by the fact that (H₂O)1 and O5 represent the apices in the bi-pyramid, where the approach to cadmium is less hindered by neighbouring oxygens. Also O1 and O5 are probably the ionized acid groups in the glycerophosphate molecule as judged from the pK_a values of the three acid groups in this compound: these values are 3.42 for the carboxyl group, and 1.42 and 5.593 for the two phosphate acid groups.⁶ A coordination very similar to this has been reported for the calcium ion in several compounds^{8,10-12} with Ca-O distances of approximately 2.4 Å. A close packed five-membered ring of oxygen atoms with radius of 1.40 Å leaves room for a central sphere of radius 0.98 Å, corresponding closely to the ionic radii of cadmium (0.97 Å) and calcium (0.99 Å). We have, however, not been able to crystallize the calcium salt of phosphoglyceric acid. Both for calcium and cadmium also six-coordination has been reported.^{7,10}

In the glyceric acid part of the molecule the characteristic feature is the planar configuration of the -C(OH)COO- group. The distances from a least squares plane through these atoms are given in Table 6. An approximately planar arrangement of the carboxyl group and one of the bonds in an adjacent sp³ hybridized carbon atom have often been reported.^{13,8,14,15}

Table 6. Distances from least squares plane through the -C(OH)COO⁻ group.

Atom	O1	O2	C1	C2	O3	Cd
Distances in Å	0.01	0.001	0.05	0.01	0.003	0.5

As the carboxyl group is believed to be ionized, one should expect the two C-O distances to be equal. In the present study these distances are not significantly different,¹⁶ but a difference in the two distances would not be surprising when it is considered that O1 is involved in coordination to two cadmium ions.

Table 7. Hydrogen bond distances in Å and some of the angles. Standard deviations in parenthesis.

(H ₂ O)1-O7	2.72 (4)
(H ₂ O)1-(H ₂ O)2	2.88 (3)
(H ₂ O)2-O5	2.77 (2)
(H ₂ O)2-O6	2.60 (3)
(H ₂ O)3-O7	2.70 (3)
(H ₂ O)3-O2	2.72 (3)
(H ₂ O)3-O3	2.98 (3)
O6-O3	2.77 (3)
O7-(H ₂ O)1-(H ₂ O)2	115°
O5-(H ₂ O)2-O6	144°
O7-(H ₂ O)3-O2	116°
C2-O3-(H ₂ O)3	133°
P-O6-O3	125°

The structure of the phosphate group is in accordance with earlier structure determinations. The conformation of the group is such as to give maximum overlap of $3p-3d$ -orbitals as described by Collin,⁹ and the bond lengths reported here are in agreement with those found in other phosphate groups.¹⁷

The hydrogen bonds are illustrated by broken lines in Fig. 1, where crosses indicate the assumed hydrogen positions. The oxygen-oxygen distances are listed in Table 7. Except for the distances between oxygens coordinated to cadmium the only oxygen-oxygen distance shorter than 3 Å, and not included in the hydrogen bond system, is the $(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2-\text{O}4$ of 2.963 Å.

Molecules related by the screw axis are linked together by the $\text{O}6-\text{H}\cdots\text{O}3$ bonds, which seem to be the only "direct" hydrogen bonds between adjacent glycerophosphate molecules. All other hydrogen bonds between these molecules are bridged by water molecules which generate a hydrogen bond system in the general direction of the b - and c -axes. In the direction of the a -axis the crystal seems to be held together mainly by the coordination forces to cadmium.

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