

## The Crystal and Molecular Structure of 6a-Selenaselenophthene

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6a-Selenaselenophthene crystallizes in the monoclinic space group  $P2_1/c$ , with unit cell dimensions:  $a = 7.842(3)$  Å,  $b = 5.660(2)$  Å,  $c = 16.749(5)$  Å, and  $\beta = 98.39(3)^\circ$ . There are four molecules per unit cell.

The structure of 6a-selenaselenophthene has been solved by three-dimensional Patterson synthesis, and refined by least squares methods. The refinement comprises 984  $h0l-h3l$  reflections, including 290 unobserved.

The molecule is planar within the error, and the bond lengths are: Se(1)–Se(6a) = 2.586(3) Å, Se(6a)–Se(6) = 2.579(3) Å, Se(1)–C(2) = 1.856(29) Å, Se(6a)–C(3a) = 1.904(23) Å, Se(6)–C(5) = 1.811(26) Å, C(2)–C(3) = 1.374(31) Å, C(3)–C(3a) = 1.427(27) Å, C(3a)–C(4) = 1.395(30) Å, and C(4)–C(5) = 1.371(28) Å. The Se(1)–Se(6a)–Se(6) angle is  $173.8(3)^\circ$ .

In the crystals, Se(6a) of the reference molecule approaches the plane of a screw axis-related molecule at a distance of 3.55 Å. Other intermolecular atomic distances shorter than corresponding van der Waals distances are, Se(1)⋯H(5)' = 3.08 Å, Se(1)⋯Se(6)' = 3.92 Å, Se(6)⋯Se(6)' = 3.87 Å, Se(6a)⋯Se(6a)' = 3.83 Å, and Se(6)⋯Se(1)' = 3.90 Å.

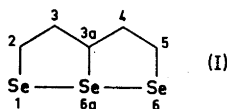
Structure investigations of potassium triselenocyanate hemihydrate,  $\text{K}(\text{SeCN})_3 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \text{H}_2\text{O}$ , and of rubidium triselenocyanate hemihydrate,  $\text{Rb}(\text{SeCN})_3 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \text{H}_2\text{O}$ , show that the selenium atoms of the triselenocyanate ion form an almost linear sequence.<sup>1-3</sup> The Se–Se bonds in the potassium salt are 2.689(4) Å and 2.648(4) Å,<sup>3</sup> respectively, and the Se–Se bonds in the rubidium salt are both 2.656(3) Å.<sup>2</sup>

An analogous linear three-selenium system occurs in the triselenourea ion. This has recently been shown by Hauge *et al.*<sup>4</sup> through structure studies of triselenourea dichloride hydrate,  $[\text{SeC}(\text{NH}_2)_2]_3\text{Cl}_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ , and triselenourea dibromide hydrate,  $[\text{SeC}(\text{NH}_2)_2]_3\text{Br}_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ . The Se–Se bonds are 2.60 and 2.72 Å in the dichloride, and 2.62 and 2.71 Å in the dibromide.

The bonding in these linear three-selenium systems may be described as three-center four-electron bonds.<sup>5</sup> One notes that the sum of the Se–Se bond lengths in the various compounds range from 5.31 to 5.34 Å; the average

Se—Se bond length is 2.66 Å, as compared with the Se—Se single bond length of 2.34 Å.<sup>6</sup>

In 6a-selenaselenophthene (I), a linear three-selenium sequence is built into an aromatic ring system. The three-selenium bonding in this compound, therefore, has some  $\pi$ -contribution, and it differs in this respect from the



three-selenium bonding in the compounds above. The present structure study of (I) has been carried out in order to find to which degree the Se—Se bonds in (I) are shortened through  $\pi$ -bonding.

### STRUCTURE DETERMINATION

Crystals of 6a-selenaselenophthene (I) were generously supplied by Reid.<sup>7</sup> The crystals are very dark-purple and belong to the monoclinic space group  $P2_1/c$ .

The structure analysis is based on photographic data, taken with Weissenberg camera and  $\text{CuK}\alpha$  radiation. The data comprise 984 independent  $h0l-h3l$  reflections, including 290 unobserved.

Approximate selenium positions were found from a three-dimensional Patterson map, and the carbon atoms revealed themselves during a subsequent Fourier synthesis.

The structure was refined by a full-matrix least squares procedure which minimizes the function.

$$r = \sum W(|F_o| - K|F_c|)^2$$

with  $W = [(Ka_1)^2 + (a_2F_o)^2/4W_o]^{-1}$ .  $W_o$  in the weighting scheme is an individual weight, which is estimated from the assumed reliability of the intensity measurement. The constants  $a_1$  and  $a_2$  were in the present case set equal to 1.0. Unobserved reflections with  $K|F_c|$  greater than  $F_c^{\text{threshold}}$  were included in the refinement with  $F_o = F_o^{\text{threshold}}$ . Anisotropic temperature factors were applied to selenium and carbon, and isotropic to hydrogen. Three low-order reflections, supposed to be affected by secondary extinction, were excluded from the least squares refinement. The final  $R$  factor is 9.4 % when unobserved reflections are included, and 9.7 % when they are omitted. For further details with respect to the structure determination, see Experimental.

### DISCUSSION

*Molecular shape and dimensions.* Bond lengths and angles in the 6a-selenaselenophthene molecule, together with their standard deviations, are listed in Tables 1 and 2, and shown in Fig. 1.

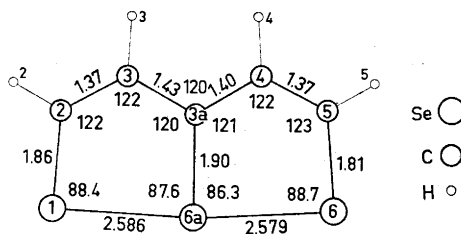
Table 1. Bond lengths  $D(ij)$  in 6a-selenaselenophthene. The standard deviations given in parentheses refer to the last digits of the respective values.

i	j	$D(ij)$
Se(1)	Se(6a)	2.586 (3) Å
Se(6a)	Se(6)	2.579 (3)
Se(1)	C(2)	1.856 (29)
Se(6a)	C(3a)	1.904 (23)
Se(6)	C(5)	1.811 (26)
C(2)	C(3)	1.374 (31)
C(3)	C(3a)	1.427 (27)
C(3a)	C(4)	1.395 (30)
C(4)	C(5)	1.371 (28)

Table 2. Bond angles  $\angle(ijk)$  in 6a-selenaselenophthene. The standard deviations given in parentheses refer to the last digits of the respective values.

i	j	k	$\angle(ijk)^\circ$
C(2)	Se(1)	Se(6a)	88.4 (7)
Se(1)	Se(6a)	C(3a)	87.6 (6)
Se(1)	Se(6a)	Se(6)	173.8 (2)
C(3a)	Se(6a)	Se(6)	86.3 (6)
Se(6a)	Se(6)	C(5)	88.7 (5)
Se(1)	C(2)	C(3)	122.1 (1.7)
C(2)	C(3)	C(3a)	122.3 (2.0)
C(3)	C(3a)	C(4)	119.9 (1.9)
C(3)	C(3a)	Se(6a)	119.5 (1.5)
Se(6a)	C(3a)	C(4)	120.5 (1.5)
C(3a)	C(4)	C(5)	121.7 (2.1)
C(4)	C(5)	Se(6)	122.8 (1.6)

Fig. 1. Bond lengths (Å) and bond angles ( $^\circ$ ) in the 6a-selenaselenophthene molecule.



The molecule is presented in Fig. 1 in a projection onto its least squares plane. The equation for this plane, with weights equal to six for selenium, one for carbon, and zero for hydrogen, is,

$$0.83989 X - 0.52836 Y - 0.24545 Z = 0.90772$$

with  $X$ ,  $Y$ , and  $Z$  in Å units. Deviations, in Å units, from the plane are, Se(1) 0.003, Se(6a) -0.009, Se(6) 0.007, C(2) -0.015, C(3) 0.025, C(3a) 0.024, C(4) -0.023, and C(5) -0.015. Thus, the molecule is planar within the error.

The selenium-selenium bonds, Se(1)-Se(6a) = 2.586(3) Å and Se(6a)-Se(6) = 2.579(3) Å, are almost equal, and their average length, 2.58 Å, is 0.08

Å shorter than the average Se – Se bond length, 2.66 Å, in the triselenocyanate and triselenourea ions.<sup>1-4</sup>

*Comparison with the structure of thiothiophthene.\** One notes from Fig. 1 that the 6a-selenaselenophthene molecule is nearly symmetric about a plane perpendicular to the molecular plane and passing through Se(6a) and C(3a). There are no significant differences between the dimensions of the two halves.

If one takes the average of corresponding bond lengths in the two halves of 6a-selenaselenophthene, one gets the values which are shown in Fig. 2, Ia. Furthermore, in Fig. 2, the bond lengths in thiothiophthene (II) are given. They are from a recent structure study, based on diffractometer data.<sup>10</sup> Results from a structure study of II on film data have been reported.<sup>11</sup>

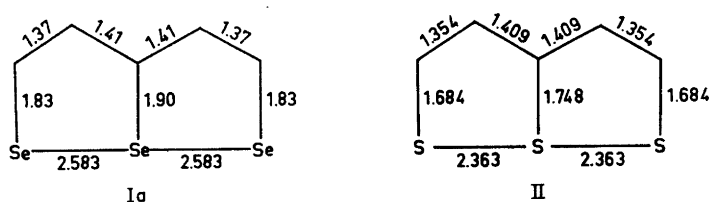


Fig. 2. Comparison of the average structure of 6a-selenaselenophthene (Ia) with the structure of thiothiophthene(II). Bond lengths in Å units.

The standard deviations of the bond lengths in II from the diffractometer study are, S – S  $\pm$  0.001 Å, S – C  $\pm$  0.003 Å, and C – C  $\pm$  0.003 Å. In crystals of thiothiophthene, the molecules lie across crystallographic mirror planes passing through the central sulphur and carbon atoms. The two halves of the molecule are therefore exactly equal.

From Fig. 2, the difference between the selenium – selenium bond length in Ia, and the sulphur – sulphur bond length in II, is 0.22 Å, or about two times the difference, 0.12 Å, between the covalent bond radii of selenium and sulphur.<sup>6,12</sup> It should be mentioned that the bond lengths in II, Fig. 2, have been corrected for libration, while the bond lengths in Ia have not been corrected. A rigid-body analysis of I is hardly warranted in view of the poor accuracy of the thermal parameters of the carbon atoms (*cf.* Table 5).

The terminal selenium – carbon bonds in Ia, 1.83(3) Å, are 0.07 Å shorter than the central one, 1.90(3) Å. In II, the terminal sulphur – carbon bonds, 1.684(3) Å, are 0.064 Å shorter than the central one, 1.748(3) Å. The difference between the terminal Se – C and S – C bond lengths, 0.15 Å, and the difference between the central ones, 0.15 Å, are somewhat greater than the difference between the covalent radii for selenium and sulphur.

The terminal and central carbon – carbon bonds in Ia are 1.37(3) Å and 1.41(3) Å, respectively, in agreement with the lengths of the corresponding bonds in II, 1.354(3) Å and 1.409 Å (*cf.* Fig. 2).

\* Bezzi, Mammì and Garbuglio, who in 1958 studied the structure of the 2,5-dimethyl derivative of II (*cf.* Fig. 2), found II to be a new aromatic system, which they proposed to be named thiothiophthene.<sup>8</sup> Different names, *e.g.* 6a-thiothiophthene and trithiopentalene, have appeared later. A survey of nomenclatures is given by Klingsberg in Ref. 9, p. 544.

*The crystal structure.* The arrangement of 6a-selenaselenophthene molecules in the unit cell, as seen along the *b*-axis, is shown in Fig. 3. Intermolecular

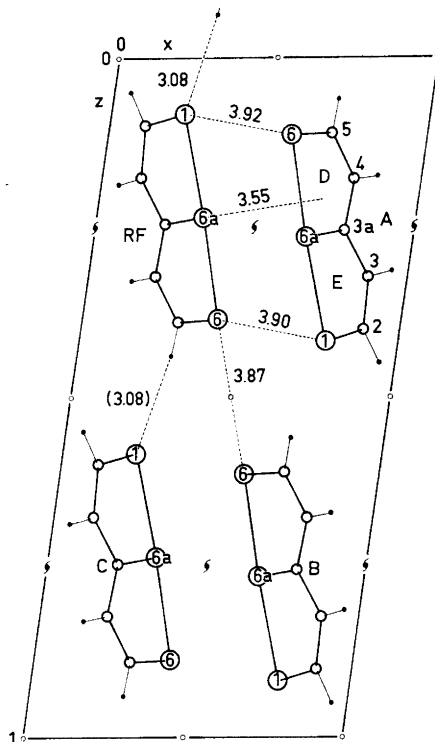


Fig. 3. The arrangement of 6a-selenaselenophthene molecules in the crystal as seen along the *b*-axis. Atomic distances are given in Å units.

atomic distances shorter than corresponding van der Waals distances are shown in the figure. The positions of the molecules *A* – *C* relative to the position (*x,y,z*) of the reference molecule *RF* are the following.

<i>A</i>	$1 - x$	$\frac{1}{2} + y$	$\frac{1}{2} - z$
<i>B</i>	$1 - x$	$-y$	$1 - z$
<i>C</i>	$x$	$-\frac{1}{2} - y$	$\frac{1}{2} + z$

The angle between the plane of the reference molecule and the plane of molecule *A* is  $63.8^\circ$ . Intermolecular atomic distances, which show the way in which Se(6) of the reference molecule approaches the atoms of ring *E* in molecule *A*, and the way in which Se(6a) of *RF* approaches the atoms of ring *D* in *A*, are listed in Table 3.

Se(6)<sub>RF</sub> forms two close contacts with neighbouring molecules (*cf.* Fig. 3). The Se(6)<sub>RF</sub>···Se(1)<sub>A</sub> distance is 3.90 Å, and the Se(6)<sub>RF</sub>···Se(6)<sub>B</sub> distance is 3.87 Å, as compared with the corresponding van der Waals distance of 4.00 Å.<sup>6</sup>

Table 3. Intermolecular atomic distances  $D(ij)$  between Se(6) of molecule  $RF$  and the atoms of ring  $E$  in molecule  $A$ , and between Se(6a) of  $RF$  and the atoms of ring  $D$  in  $A$ .

i	j	$D(ij)$	i	j	$D(ij)$
Se(6) <sub>RF</sub>	Se(1) <sub>A</sub>	3.90 Å	Se(6a) <sub>RF</sub>	Se(6a) <sub>A</sub>	3.83 Å
Se(6) <sub>RF</sub>	Se(6a) <sub>A</sub>	4.22	Se(6a) <sub>RF</sub>	Se(6) <sub>A</sub>	4.06
Se(6) <sub>RF</sub>	C(2) <sub>A</sub>	3.83	Se(6a) <sub>RF</sub>	C(3a) <sub>A</sub>	3.71
Se(6) <sub>RF</sub>	C(3) <sub>A</sub>	3.94	Se(6a) <sub>RF</sub>	C(4) <sub>A</sub>	3.88
Se(6) <sub>RF</sub>	C(3a) <sub>A</sub>	4.09	Se(6a) <sub>RF</sub>	C(5) <sub>A</sub>	3.99

Se(6a)<sub>RF</sub>...Se(6a)<sub>A</sub> = 3.83 Å is 0.17 Å shorter than the corresponding van der Waals contact. Furthermore, Se(6a)<sub>RF</sub> lies 3.55 Å only from the plane of molecule  $A$ . This distance is 0.15 Å shorter than the distance, 3.70 Å, one gets by adding the van der Waals radius of selenium to the half-thickness of an aromatic molecule.<sup>6</sup>

Se(1)<sub>RF</sub> forms a close contact of 3.92 Å to Se(6)<sub>A</sub>, and another one of 3.08 Å to a neighbouring hydrogen atom (*cf.* Fig. 3). The latter contact is

Table 4. Atomic coordinates in fractions of corresponding cell edges. The standard deviations given in parentheses refer to the last digits of the respective values.

Atom	$x$	$y$	$z$
Se(1)	0.22946 (32)	0.08877 (54)	0.08148 (13)
Se(6a)	0.33396 (24)	0.11201 (46)	0.23502 (11)
Se(6)	0.42317 (29)	0.09101 (52)	0.38928 (12)
C(2)	0.1128 (26)	-0.1869 (55)	0.0997 (13)
C(3)	0.1216 (19)	-0.2850 (42)	0.1752 (12)
C(3a)	0.2144 (21)	-0.1766 (42)	0.2453 (11)
C(4)	0.2096 (24)	-0.2757 (42)	0.3212 (13)
C(5)	0.2982 (23)	-0.1779 (52)	0.3900 (10)
H(2)	0.051	-0.263	0.050
H(3)	0.047	-0.455	0.185
H(4)	0.136	-0.459	0.323
H(5)	0.297	-0.253	0.444

Table 5. Temperature parameters  $U_{ij}$  (Å<sup>2</sup>) for selenium and carbon. The expression used is  $\exp[-2\pi^2(h^2a^{*2}U_{11} + \dots + 2hka^*b^*U_{12} + \dots)]$ . All values are multiplied by 10<sup>4</sup>. Standard deviations in parentheses refer to the last digits of the respective values. Isotropic temperature factors  $\exp[-8\pi^2U(\sin^2\theta/\lambda^2)]$  with  $U = 0.0375$  Å<sup>2</sup> were used for the hydrogen atoms.

	$U_{11}$	$U_{22}$	$U_{33}$	$U_{12}$	$U_{23}$	$U_{13}$
Se(1)	713 (15)	592 (30)	398 (10)	2 (15)	44 (13)	28 (10)
Se(6a)	435 (10)	294 (26)	432 (9)	-44 (12)	21 (12)	48 (7)
Se(6)	652 (14)	532 (30)	416 (11)	-73 (14)	-10 (13)	-21 (10)
C(2)	489 (110)	748 (252)	590 (129)	-40 (133)	40 (141)	-125 (99)
C(3)	206 (71)	268 (191)	574 (102)	95 (87)	78 (109)	-10 (68)
C(3a)	281 (77)	176 (185)	644 (119)	57 (98)	202 (118)	7 (75)
C(4)	526 (105)	21 (202)	617 (116)	72 (102)	94 (113)	108 (89)
C(5)	422 (96)	917 (234)	319 (83)	143 (122)	318 (115)	17 (72)

Table 6. Observed and calculated structure factors for 6a-selenaselenophthene. The values given are ten times the absolute values. Unobserved reflections are marked with a minus sign in front of  $F_o$ .

H	K	L	F(O)	F(C)	H	K	L	F(O)	F(C)	H	K	L	F(O)	F(C)	H	K	L	F(O)	F(C)	H	K	L	F(O)	F(C)		
1	0	0	1131	-1124	5	0	14	-53	10	1	1	14	121	76	3	1	-13	158	151	6	1	-10	271	252		
2	0	0	1529	-1567	5	0	16	303	-349	1	1	15	178	-141	3	1	-14	481	457	6	1	-11	435	-428		
3	0	0	305	288	5	0	2	246	241	1	1	16	-63	58	3	1	-15	732	-663	6	1	-12	117	-119		
4	0	0	111	-104	5	0	-4	115	-112	1	1	17	-59	-36	3	1	-16	600	-369	6	1	-13	-60	-16		
5	0	0	335	305	5	0	-6	168	-167	1	1	18	149	138	3	1	-17	-60	11	6	1	-14	-57	35		
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3	0	30																								

Table 6. Continued.

H	K	L	F(O)	F(C)	H	K	L	F(O)	F(C)	H	K	L	F(O)	F(C)	H	K	L	F(O)	F(C)	H	K	L	F(O)	F(C)
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2	2	6	165	-117	6	2	3	751	745	1	3	4	329	-273	3	3	-13	164	-134	7	3	6	-57	-20



0.12 Å shorter than the sum of the covalent radii for selenium and hydrogen.<sup>6</sup>

It is interesting to note (*cf.* Fig. 3) that the environment of each of the three selenium atoms is roughly square planar.

### EXPERIMENTAL

The unit cell dimensions for crystals of 6a-selenaselenophthene were determined from high-order reflections on *h*0*l* and 0*kl* Weissenberg photographs, where sodium chloride powder lines had been superimposed for reference ( $a_{\text{NaCl}} = 5.6394$  Å). A least squares procedure on 39 measured  $2\theta$ -values gave  $a = 7.842(3)$  Å,  $b = 5.660(2)$  Å,  $c = 16.749(5)$  Å, and  $\beta = 98.39(3)^\circ$ .

Four molecules per unit cell give a calculated density of 2.717 g/cm<sup>3</sup> as compared with the density, 2.70–2.75 g/cm<sup>3</sup>, found by flotation.

The intensities of the *h*0*l*–*h*3*l* and 0*kl* reflections were estimated visually from Weissenberg photographs taken with Ni-filtered CuK $\alpha$  radiation ( $\mu = 200.9$  cm<sup>-1</sup>). 0*kl* reflections from the zero layer about *a* were used for scaling only.

The crystals were rather irregularly shaped. One with dimensions roughly about 0.01 × 0.4 × 0.01 mm in the three axial directions was used for the intensity data collection. Lp corrections were applied, but absorption corrections were not carried out.

The scattering factors used for selenium, carbon, and hydrogen in the structure factor calculations were those given in the *International Tables*.<sup>13</sup> The selenium scattering curve was corrected for anomalous dispersion, using the  $\Delta f'$  and  $\Delta f''$  values, given by Cromer.<sup>14</sup>

The hydrogen atoms in the molecule are bonded to *sp*<sup>2</sup>-hybridized carbon, and their positions could therefore be estimated by assuming a C–H distance of 1.05 Å and C–C–H angles of 120°. The hydrogen positions were not refined.

The final atomic coordinates are listed in Table 4, and the temperature parameters are listed in Table 5. The final list of structure factors is given in Table 6.

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