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## The Crystal Structure of Histamine Sulphate Monohydrate

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Histamine sulphate crystallizes in the space group  $P2_1$  with four formula units,  $(C_5H_{11}N_3^{2+} \cdot SO_4^{2-} \cdot H_2O)$ , in the unit cell of dimensions  $a=13.124$ ,  $b=7.037$ ,  $c=10.983$  Å and  $\beta=104.16^\circ$ . The structure was determined by the heavy-atom method and refined by least-squares calculations to  $R=0.089$ . The imidazole ring is protonated and the bond angle  $C^{\prime\prime}-N^{\delta}-C^{\epsilon}$  in the protonated ring is larger than that for an unprotonated one. The skeleton of the histamine molecule is roughly planar, although in histamine phosphate the imidazole ring and the aliphatic chain are nearly perpendicular to each other. There is a partial disorder associated with one of the water molecules. The hydrogen-bond scheme is complicated, there being three bifurcated hydrogen bonds and two  $C-H \cdots O$  hydrogen bonds.

### Introduction

The tertiary structures of many enzymes have been determined by X-ray diffraction, and it has become clear that histidine often plays a key role in the catalytic activity of enzymes. In particular, the imidazole group, the functional side chain of histidine, participates in the activity of many enzymes.

Accurate structure determinations of histidine have been done by Donohue & Caron (1964), Bennett, Davidson, Harding & Morelle (1970) and Madden, McGandy & Seeman (1972). On the other hand, only a few analyses have been reported for the structure of histamine which is obtained from histidine by decarboxylation. The substance has also an important physiological activity. The structure analyses of its phosphate and sulphate were therefore both performed in our laboratory. In this paper only the structure of histamine sulphate will be described, because the structure of the phosphate has already been reported by Veidis, Palenik, Schaffrin & Trotter (1969).

### Experimental

The colourless and transparent crystals elongated along the monoclinic  $b$  axis were obtained by dissolving commercial histamine in 2*N* sulphuric acid. They are hygroscopic and deteriorate quickly on exposure to air: hence all the X-ray data were taken with the crystal coated in a collodion film.

The crystal data are summarized in Table 1. The systematic absence of  $0k0$  reflexions with  $k$  odd shows that the space group is either  $P2_1$  or  $P2_1/m$ . The  $N(z)$  test suggested the space group to be  $P2_1$ . The  $h0l$  reflexions are weak when  $h+l$  is odd, so there exists a pseudo-*n*-glide symmetry.

Table 1. *Crystal data*

$C_5H_{11}N_3^{2+} \cdot SO_4^{2-} \cdot H_2O$
$a=13.124$ , $b=7.037$ , $c=10.983$ Å, $\beta=104.16^\circ$
$V=983.5$ Å <sup>3</sup> , F.W. 227.24
$D_x=1.535$ g cm <sup>-3</sup> for $Z=4$
$D_m$ (flotation)=1.52 g cm <sup>-3</sup>
$\mu=3.31$ cm <sup>-1</sup> (Mo $K\alpha$ )
Systematic absence: $0k0$ , $k=2n+1$
Space group: $P2_1$

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Integrated intensity data were collected on a Rigaku automatic diffractometer, using Zr-filtered Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation. The  $\omega$ - $2\theta$  scan method was adopted. The  $2\theta$  scan range for each reflexion was from  $\{2\theta(\alpha_1) - 0.70\}^\circ$  to  $\{2\theta(\alpha_2) + 0.70\}^\circ$  with a scan speed of  $2^\circ/\text{min}$ . Background intensity was counted for 5 s at each end of the scan range. 1718 reflexions up to  $\sin \theta/\lambda = 0.58$  were measured from a needle crystal of dimensions  $0.10 \times 0.33 \times 0.10$  mm.

The intensity data were corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects, but no absorption correction was made because of the small cross sections and the small linear absorption coefficient of the crystal.

### Structure determination

The coordinates of the two sulphur atoms in the asymmetric unit were obtained from a sharpened three-dimensional Patterson map. The carbon, nitrogen and oxygen atom positions were then found by a subsequent Fourier calculation.

The atomic scattering factors used for the calculation of the structure factors were those given for neutral sulphur, oxygen, nitrogen, carbon and hydrogen atoms in *International Tables for X-ray Crystallography* (1962). The refinement of the parameters was carried out by block-diagonal least-squares calculations. The

Table 2. Fractional atomic coordinates and their standard deviations (in parentheses) (all  $\times 10^4$ )

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>		<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>
S(1)	3390 (2)	0 (5)	339 (2)	S(2)	8361 (2)	1965 (5)	5794 (2)
O(11)	3079 (7)	-483 (14)	-998 (7)	O(21)	8147 (6)	3391 (13)	4790 (7)
O(12)	4509 (6)	449 (13)	689 (7)	O(22)	9497 (5)	1686 (14)	6269 (7)
O(13)	3143 (6)	-1554 (13)	1105 (7)	O(23)	7910 (5)	2558 (12)	6819 (7)
O(14)	2817 (6)	1743 (13)	566 (8)	O(24)	7875 (5)	177 (12)	5265 (8)
W(1)	7131 (10)	1300 (16)	2456 (8)	W(2')	2655 (19)	2325 (29)	7040 (17)
				W(2'')	1948 (15)	2573 (38)	7433 (17)
N(11)	848 (6)	1957 (16)	4722 (7)	N(21)	4153 (7)	4962 (15)	842 (9)
C(12)	188 (7)	1929 (19)	3408 (8)	C(22)	4814 (8)	4687 (17)	2141 (10)
C(13)	891 (8)	1952 (19)	2477 (9)	C(23)	4093 (8)	4479 (17)	3006 (11)
C(14)	240 (7)	2129 (16)	1177 (8)	C(24)	4680 (8)	4426 (17)	4378 (11)
N(15)	736 (7)	2014 (15)	173 (7)	N(25)	4204 (6)	4584 (14)	5342 (7)
C(16)	3 (9)	2153 (19)	-885 (8)	C(26)	4896 (10)	4504 (17)	6441 (11)
N(17)	-921 (7)	2290 (18)	-645 (8)	N(27)	5815 (8)	4329 (15)	6182 (9)
C(18)	-800 (8)	2284 (18)	639 (11)	C(28)	5693 (8)	4305 (17)	4920 (11)

Table 3. Anisotropic temperature factors and their standard deviations (in parentheses) (all  $\times 10^4$ )

	$\beta_{11}$	$\beta_{22}$	$\beta_{33}$	$\beta_{12}$	$\beta_{13}$	$\beta_{23}$
S(1)	36 (1)	127 (5)	44 (2)	2 (6)	22 (3)	-1 (6)
S(2)	28 (1)	141 (5)	47 (2)	-10 (6)	20 (3)	8 (6)
O(11)	79 (6)	285 (27)	45 (7)	-44 (22)	17 (10)	-57 (22)
O(12)	41 (4)	242 (23)	62 (7)	-23 (17)	26 (9)	-19 (21)
O(13)	47 (5)	217 (21)	77 (8)	-41 (18)	42 (10)	57 (22)
O(14)	58 (5)	153 (19)	129 (10)	-7 (20)	43 (11)	-11 (26)
O(21)	70 (6)	212 (21)	56 (7)	-40 (20)	55 (10)	39 (21)
O(22)	29 (4)	297 (25)	54 (6)	4 (19)	33 (8)	-23 (23)
O(23)	23 (4)	220 (21)	66 (7)	20 (15)	31 (8)	6 (19)
O(24)	36 (4)	138 (17)	104 (8)	-43 (16)	26 (10)	-30 (22)
W(1)	146 (11)	271 (30)	76 (9)	6 (30)	-26 (15)	96 (27)
W(2')	153 (22)	180 (51)	106 (20)	-124 (56)	44 (34)	43 (53)
W(2'')	77 (14)	485 (83)	97 (19)	-168 (59)	-120 (26)	164 (67)
N(11)	43 (5)	175 (21)	48 (7)	22 (23)	48 (10)	0 (25)
C(12)	44 (6)	181 (25)	32 (8)	35 (27)	33 (11)	37 (29)
C(13)	39 (6)	161 (24)	43 (8)	37 (26)	2 (11)	29 (30)
C(14)	33 (5)	97 (21)	45 (8)	-19 (21)	6 (10)	-36 (25)
N(15)	66 (6)	136 (19)	40 (8)	7 (23)	8 (10)	-15 (25)
C(16)	65 (7)	179 (29)	34 (9)	72 (29)	-24 (12)	-22 (31)
N(17)	32 (5)	269 (32)	87 (10)	3 (24)	-74 (11)	22 (30)
C(18)	33 (6)	154 (29)	100 (12)	-8 (24)	-15 (13)	34 (33)
N(21)	61 (6)	175 (23)	85 (10)	-83 (24)	93 (13)	-60 (28)
C(22)	49 (7)	133 (26)	65 (10)	3 (22)	44 (13)	-46 (27)
C(23)	26 (6)	167 (27)	87 (11)	-2 (22)	28 (13)	-20 (29)
C(24)	34 (6)	138 (25)	83 (11)	35 (21)	30 (13)	35 (27)
N(25)	37 (5)	176 (23)	48 (7)	12 (18)	19 (10)	40 (22)
C(26)	62 (8)	118 (26)	83 (12)	-9 (24)	-16 (15)	30 (28)
N(27)	59 (7)	197 (26)	62 (9)	-14 (23)	-50 (12)	11 (25)
C(28)	29 (6)	142 (25)	101 (13)	28 (22)	-21 (14)	15 (30)

function minimized was

$$\sum w(k|F_{\text{obs}} - |F_{\text{cal}}|)^2.$$

In the early stages of refinement, unit weight was assigned to all the observed reflexions. After several cycles of isotropic refinement, the  $R$  value decreased to 0.21. During the refinements, the temperature factor for  $W(2)$ , the oxygen atom of the water molecule, reached an extraordinarily large value of  $13.0 \text{ \AA}^2$ . With the contribution of  $W(2)$  omitted from the  $F_{\text{cal}}$ 's, anisotropic thermal parameters of the form

$$\exp \{-(\beta_{11}h^2 + \beta_{22}k^2 + \beta_{33}l^2 + \beta_{12}hk + \beta_{13}hl + \beta_{23}kl)\}$$

were then introduced for every atom and two cycles of refinement were carried out.

In the next Fourier map, two peaks of approximately one half of the expected height for the oxygen atom appeared near the position previously assumed for  $W(2)$ . It was therefore assumed that some sort of positional disorder involving the  $W(2)$  atom must exist in the crystal. Most probably, the  $W(2)$  atom seems to have equal probability of being located at  $W(2')$  and  $W(2'')$ .

The difference-Fourier synthesis revealed the positions of all the hydrogen atoms with peak heights from  $0.61$  to  $0.92 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$ ; four peaks with heights between  $0.30$  and  $0.62 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$  were assigned to the hydrogen atoms of the disordered water molecules,  $W(2')$  and  $W(2'')$ , taking into account the hydrogen-bond scheme. Thus the hydrogen atoms were included in further refinement. In this calculation the following weights were adopted for each reflexion;  $\sqrt{w} = \frac{1}{5}$  for  $0 < |F_{\text{obs}}| < 5$ ,  $\sqrt{w} = 1$  for  $5 \leq |F_{\text{obs}}| \leq 25$ ,  $\sqrt{w} = 25/|F_{\text{obs}}|$  for  $|F_{\text{obs}}| > 25$ .

Table 4. Parameters of hydrogen atoms

	Bonded to	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>
H(111)	N(11)	0.133	0.321	0.508
H(112)		0.057	0.223	0.538
H(113)		0.142	0.071	0.496
H(121)	C(12)	-0.023	0.314	0.323
H(122)		-0.012	0.086	0.352
H(131)	C(13)	0.124	0.074	0.271
H(132)		0.132	0.309	0.255
H(15)	N(15)	0.137	0.242	0.044
H(16)	C(16)	0.009	0.235	-0.180
H(17)	N(17)	-0.151	0.239	-0.123
H(18)	C(18)	-0.141	0.206	0.090
H <sub>W</sub> (11)	W(1)	0.731	0.144	0.312
H <sub>W</sub> (12)		0.695	0.242	0.216
H(211)	N(21)	0.358	0.427	0.070
H(212)		0.452	0.477	0.032
H(213)		0.389	0.597	0.093
H(221)	C(22)	0.539	0.361	0.224
H(222)		0.518	0.612	0.223
H(231)	C(23)	0.356	0.339	0.274
H(232)		0.356	0.524	0.317
H(25)	N(25)	0.362	0.484	0.500
H(26)	C(26)	0.492	0.455	0.730
H(27)	N(27)	0.639	0.427	0.667
H(28)	C(28)	0.643	0.416	0.479
H <sub>W</sub> (2'1)	W(2')	0.283	0.338	0.725
H <sub>W</sub> (2'2)		0.296	0.183	0.806
H <sub>W</sub> (2'1)	W(2'')	0.209	0.400	0.774
H <sub>W</sub> (2'2)		0.241	0.118	0.796

Isotropic temperature factors for all the hydrogen atoms were kept constant at  $2.0 \text{ \AA}^2$ . All the parameters were refined until every shift became less than one fifth of each standard deviation. The standard deviations were estimated by the use of the diagonal terms of the inverse matrix. The final  $R$  value was 0.113 for the 1718 reflexions (or 0.089 for the 1565 non-zero reflexions). The reason for rather large value of  $R$  may be the disordered structure involving one of the water molecules.

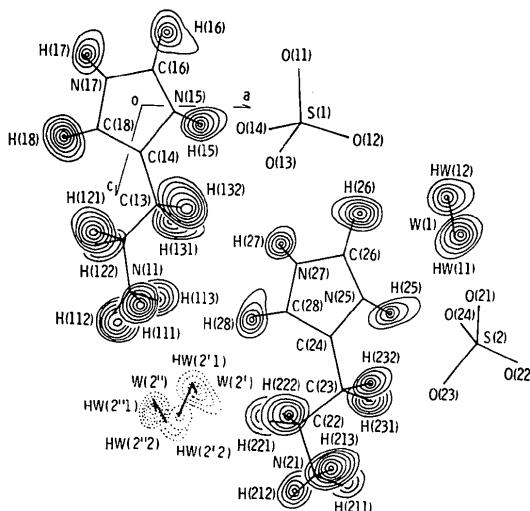


Fig. 1. Composite drawing of the three-dimensional difference map. First contour  $0.25 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$ ; interval  $0.10 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$ . The peaks drawn by dotted lines correspond to the hydrogen atoms of the disordered water molecules.

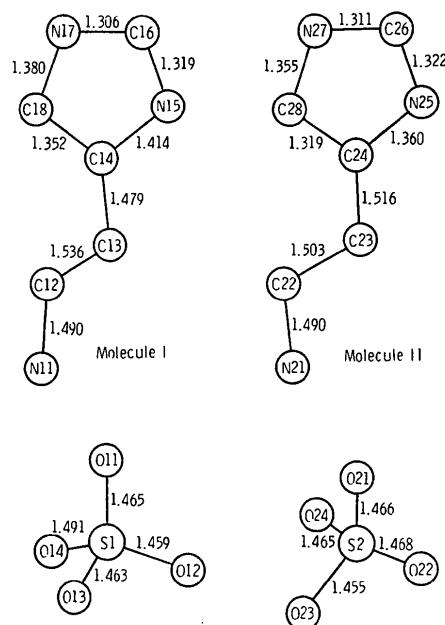


Fig. 2. Bond lengths.

The difference-Fourier map is drawn in Fig. 1. Tables 2 and 3 give the final atomic parameters with their standard deviations. The hydrogen parameters are listed in Table 4. Comparison of the observed and the calculated structure factors at the final stage is shown in Table 5.

Calculations were carried out on the FACOM 230-60 at the Data Processing Centre of Kyoto University and the NEAC 2200-500 at the Computer Centre of this university. Programs used in the calculations are

Table 5. Observed and calculated structure factors ( $\times 5$ )

Table 5 (*cont.*)

as follows; *MFPM* for Patterson function calculation programmed by Professor N. Yasuoka, and *SFFR* for Fourier synthesis, *FBLS* for block-diagonal least-squares refinement, *DAPH* for calculations of distances and angles written by one of the authors (Ashida).

## Discussion of the structure

Molecular structures

The bond lengths and angles found in the two crystallographically independent molecules are il-

lustrated in Figs. 2 and 3 respectively. The standard deviations for the S-O, C-N and C-C bond lengths are 0.010, 0.017 and 0.018 Å respectively. The standard deviation of the bond angles is about 1.1°. The average bond lengths and angles involving hydrogen atoms are listed in Table 6.

Table 6. Average bond lengths and angles involving hydrogen atoms and their standard deviations

(a) Bond lengths

	max. (Å)	min. (Å)	av. (Å)	$\langle \sigma \rangle$ (Å)
N-H	1.14	0.79	0.90	0.04
C-H	1.11	0.88	0.99	0.04
W-H	1.22	0.71	0.97	0.09

(b) Bond angles

	max. (°)	min. (°)	av. (°)	$\langle \sigma \rangle$ (°)
H-N( $sp^3$ )-X	122	100	113	4
H-C( $sp^3$ )-X	133	93	109	2
H-N( $sp^2$ )-X	145	103	124	3
H-C( $sp^2$ )-X	146	106	126	3
H-N( $sp^3$ )-H	124	82	106	5
H-C( $sp^3$ )-H	121	90	110	6
H-W—H	126	89	106	11

The difference-Fourier map shows that the imidazole rings are protonated. The bond lengths and angles of the protonated imidazole rings in several crystal structures are listed in Table 7(a) with those of the unprotonated imidazole ring for comparison. The bond lengths and angles of the histamine cation in histamine sulphate are, as a whole, close to those found in histamine phosphate (Veidis, Palenik, Schaffrin & Trotter, 1969). The shapes of imidazole rings in various crystals are compared with each other in Table 7 and it is clear that the angle  $C^2-N^2-C^6$  in the unprotonated ring is

significantly smaller than that in the protonated one. The effect is similar to that found in many six-membered heterocyclic aromatic rings (Singh, 1965).

The bond angle  $C(3)-C(4)-C(8)$  is larger than the angle  $C(3)-C(4)-N(5)$  in both molecules. This tendency is similar to the other structures listed in Table 7(b). According to Bennett *et al.* (1970), this feature of the bond angle is attributed to the electronic structure

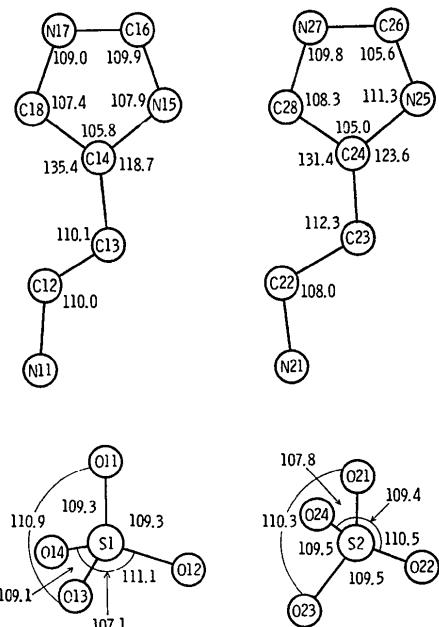


Fig. 3. Bond angles.

Table 7. The bond lengths and angles in various imidazole rings

(a) Bond lengths (Å)

Name	Reference	C(4)-N(5)	N(5)-C(6)	C(6)-N(7)	N(7)-C(8)	C(8)-C(4)	$\langle \sigma \rangle$
Molecule I	5	1.414	1.319	1.306	1.380	1.352	0.018
Molecule II	5	1.360	1.322	1.311	1.355	1.319	0.018
Histamine	1	1.379	1.332	1.314	1.373	1.349	0.004
DL-Histidine	2	1.403	1.306	1.331	1.381	1.355	0.01
L-Histidine	3	1.386	1.319	1.314	1.359	1.358	
L-Histidine*	4	1.382	1.327	1.339	1.374	1.361	0.003

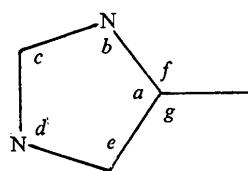
(b) Bond angles (°)

Name	Reference	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	$\langle \sigma \rangle$
Molecule I	5	105.8	107.9	109.9	109.0	107.4	118.7	135.4	1.1
Molecule II	5	105.0	111.3	105.6	109.8	108.3	123.6	131.4	1.1
Histamine	1	106.5	108.6	108.5	109.1	107.2	122.5	130.8	1.2
DL-Histidine	2	107.5	108.6	108.3	110.5	105.1	123.1	129.4	0.6
L-Histidine	3	106.2	108.5	108.7	109.6	106.9	122.1	131.6	
L-Histidine*	4	109.6	104.9	112.2	106.9	106.4	120.5	129.9	0.2

References

1. Veidis, Palenik, Schaffrin & Trotter (1969)
2. Bennett, Davidson, Harding & Morelle (1970)
3. Donohue & Caron (1964)
4. Madden, McGandy & Seeman (1972)
5. This work

\* The imidazole ring is unprotonated.



around C(4). That is, the bond order of C(4)–C(8) is higher than that of C(4)–N(5). Therefore the electronic repulsion between the C(4)–C(8) bond and the C(4)–C(3) bond is stronger than that between the C(4)–N(5) bond and the C(4)–C(3) bond; hence the bond angle C(3)–C(4)–C(8) becomes larger than the C(3)–C(4)–N(5) angle.

The C(2)–C(3) bond length in molecule I is close to that of normal single bonds, while the corresponding

one in molecule II is shorter but is closer to that in histamine phosphate (Veidis, Palenik, Schaffrin & Trotter, 1969). In the molecule I the bond C(3)–C(4) is fairly shorter than usual. These differences in the bond lengths may be caused by the correlation effect of pseudosymmetry.

The conformation of histamine is different in the two histamine crystals. The histamine cation is characterized by two planar groups. The first one is the imi-

Table 8. Least-squares planes and deviations from the planes

(a) Equations of the least-squares planes

	$X=ax+cz \cos \beta$ , $Y=by$ , $Z=cz \sin \beta$	Atoms
I	$0.0888X + 0.9960Y + 0.0169Z = 1.5056$	C(14) N(15) C(16) N(17) C(18)
I'	$0.0923X + 0.9953Y + 0.0281Z = 1.5022$	C(14) N(15) C(16) N(17) C(18) C(13)
II	$0.0145X + 0.9993Y + 0.0338Z = 1.5060$	N(11) C(12) C(13) C(14)
III	$0.0930X + 0.9956Y - 0.0097Z = 3.5285$	C(24) N(25) C(26) N(27) C(28)
III'	$0.0932X + 0.9956Y - 0.0090Z = 3.5338$	C(24) N(25) C(26) N(27) C(28) C(23)
IV	$-0.0227X + 0.9947Y + 0.1001Z = 3.4074$	N(21) C(22) C(23) C(24)

(b) Deviations ( $\times 10^3$  Å) from the planes

I	I'	II	III	III'	IV
C(14) -7	C(14) -24	N(11) -38	C(24) 11	C(24) 12	N(21) -37
N(15) 10	N(15) 2	C(12) 36	N(25) -8	N(25) -8	C(22) 29
C(16) -9	C(16) -2	C(13) 36	C(26) 3	C(26) 2	C(23) 55
N(17) 4	N(17) 13	C(14) -33	N(27) 4	N(27) 3	C(24) -45
C(18) 2	C(18) -4		C(28) -9	C(28) -9	
C(13)* 49	C(13) 15		C(23)* -3	C(23) -1	
H(15)* -347	H(15)* -360		H(25)* -132	H(25)* -131	
H(16)* -163	H(16)* -146		H(26)* -2	H(26)* -3	
H(17)* -2	H(17)* 16		H(27)* -8	H(27)* -9	
H(18)* 233	H(18)* 227		H(28)* -5	H(28)* -5	

\* Atoms with asterisks are not included in the calculation of the planes.

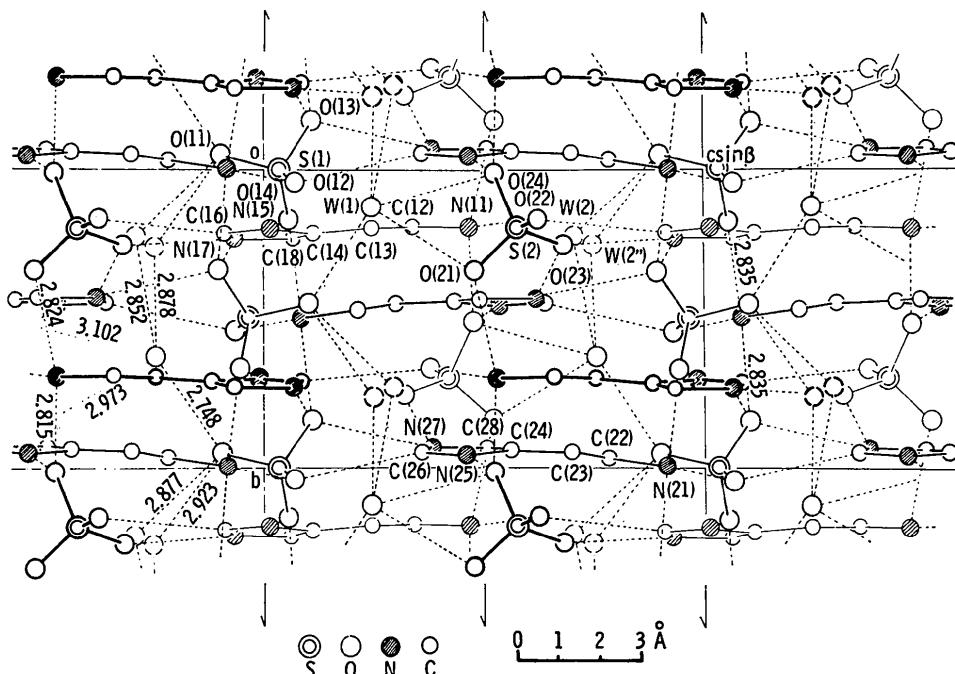


Fig. 4. The crystal structure viewed along the  $\alpha$  axis.

dazole ring, and the second is the plane through the side chain atoms N(1), C(2), C(3) and C(4). Table 8 lists deviations of atoms from the least-squares planes. The dihedral angles between the two planes are 4.4° in molecule I and 9.2° in molecule II, while for histamine phosphate the angle is 82.5° (Veidis, Palenik, Schaffrin & Trotter, 1969). The two planes are therefore almost parallel in histamine sulphate, while they are almost perpendicular to each other in its phosphate. The differences in conformation may be attributed to the difference in hydrogen-bond schemes.

#### Crystal structure

The projections of the crystal structure along the *a* and *b* axes are shown in Figs. 4 and 5 respectively. Disordered water molecules are drawn as broken circles in the Figures. The hydrogen-bond scheme is depicted by dotted lines. All hydrogen atoms in the functional groups are involved in hydrogen bonds. The oxygen atoms in the sulphate groups are involved in the hydrogen bonds only as acceptors.

As mentioned previously, the pseudo-*n*-glide planes are clearly shown in the crystal structure. The deviations of atoms from the pseudosymmetry are larger in the sulphate anions than in the histamine cations.

Some of the closest intermolecular contacts neglecting hydrogen atoms are: 3.364 Å for N(17)···N(15<sup>iii</sup>), 3.340 Å for C(28)···N(25<sup>i</sup>), 3.036 Å for N(11)···W(2') and 3.006 Å for N(11)···W(2''), the numbering by Roman numerals of the equivalent positions being listed in Table 9.

Though W(2) distributes in the two positions, W(2') and W(2'') by disorder, the acceptor atoms for the hydrogen bonds from W(2') and W(2'') are the same. The hydrogen-bond lengths are also not significantly different, that is, W(2')···W(1) and W(2'')···W(1) are 2.852 and 2.878 Å respectively. It is also to be noted that the W(2') and W(2'') atoms work only as donors of two hydrogen bonds, and that none of the water molecules have a hydrogen bond parallel to the *a* axis. All of these facts may be responsible for the occurrence of the disorder of W(2). As is clear from Table 3, W(2'),

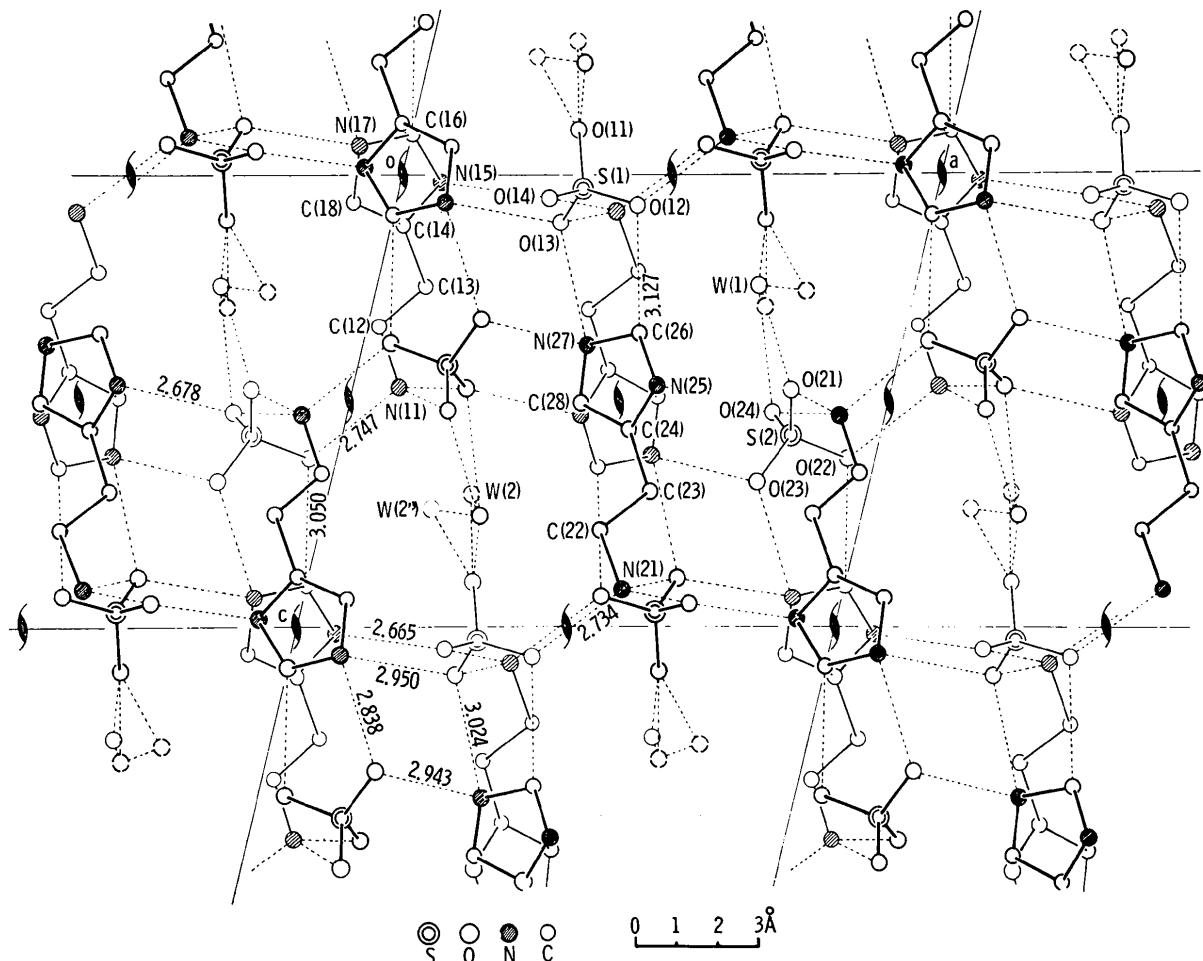


Fig. 5. The crystal structure viewed along the *b* axis.

Table 9. Hydrogen bonds ( $D-H\cdots A$ )

<i>D</i>	<i>H</i>	<i>A</i>	$D\cdots A$	$H\cdots A$	$\angle D\cdots A$
N(11)	H(111)	O(24 <sup>i</sup> )	2.815 Å	1.83 Å	147°
N(11)	H(112)	O(22 <sup>iiii</sup> )	2.747	1.94	148
N(11)	H(113)	O(21 <sup>ii</sup> )	2.824	1.73	159
N(15)	H(15)	O(14)	2.665	1.93	143
C(16)	H(16)	O(22 <sup>iv</sup> )	3.050	2.12	146
N(17)	H(17)	{ O(23 <sup>iv</sup> ) O(13 <sup>iii</sup> )	2.838 2.950	2.09 2.30	142 131
N(21)	H(211)	O(14)	2.835	2.03	152
N(21)	H(212)	O(12 <sup>iv</sup> )	2.734	1.95	155
N(21)	H(213)	O(13 <sup>iii</sup> )	2.835	2.03	180
N(25)	H(25)	O(24 <sup>i</sup> )	2.678	1.93	159
C(26)	H(26)	O(12 <sup>i</sup> )	3.127	2.24	157
N(27)	H(27)	{ O(23) O(13 <sup>i</sup> )	2.943 3.024	2.31 2.44	136 130
W(1)	H W(11)	{ O(21) O(24)	2.973 3.102	2.34 2.46	149 151
W(1)	H W(12)	O(11 <sup>iv</sup> )	2.748	1.95	154
W(2')	H W(2'1)	W(1 <sup>i</sup> )	2.852	2.08	164
W(2')	H W(2'2)	O(11 <sup>iv</sup> )	2.877	1.92	138
W(2'')	H W(2''1)	W(1 <sup>i</sup> )	2.878	1.96	144
W(2'')	H W(2''2)	O(11 <sup>iv</sup> )	2.923	1.72	167
		{ e.s.d. } i ii iii iv	0.015 1 - $x$ , $\frac{1}{2} + y$ , $1 - z$ 1 - $x$ , $y - \frac{1}{2}$ , $1 - z$ $x$ , $1 + y$ , $z$ 1 - $x$ , $\frac{1}{2} + y$ , $-z$	0.13 v vi vii viii	12 154 164 138 144 167 12 154 164 138 144 167 12

$W(2'')$  and also  $W(1)$  show significantly larger temperature factors than those of other atoms.

The hydrogen-bond scheme in this crystal is very complicated, having three bifurcated hydrogen bonds.

In these hydrogen bonds the lengths of  $D\cdots A$  are rather long except for  $N(17)\cdots O(23<sup>iv</sup>)$ . The donor-acceptor lengths in bifurcated hydrogen bonds are usually longer than those in normal hydrogen bonds.

There are two short  $C-H\cdots O$  contacts in this sulphate crystal. Significantly short  $C-H\cdots O$  contacts are found in histamine phosphate (Veidis, Palenik, Schaffrin & Trotter, 1969) and in L-N-acetylhistidine monohydrate (Kistenmacher, Hund & Marsh, 1972). All the carbon atoms participating in these contacts are  $C^{\alpha}$  in the imidazole ring. Taking into account the geometries of these contacts in histamine sulphate the contacts may be hydrogen bonds rather than the interaction of neighbouring electronegative groups with the partial positive charge on the  $C^{\alpha}$  atom (Kistenmacher, Hund & Marsh, 1972).

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## Kristallstruktur von Äthylen-1,2-dithiolato-di-( $\pi$ -cyclopentadienyl)-Titan(IV)\*

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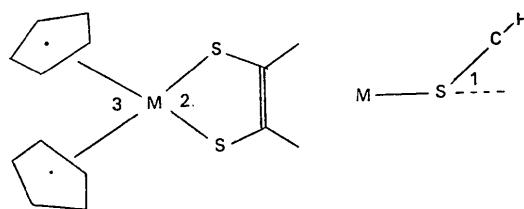
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$(C_5H_5)_2TiS_2(CH_2)_2$  crystallizes with orthorhombic symmetry in the space group *Pcab*. The cell parameters are  $a = 22.000$ ,  $b = 13.470$ ,  $c = 7.737$  Å and  $Z = 8$ . The structure was determined by direct methods and refined with anisotropic temperature factors by full-matrix least-squares procedures. The final  $R$  value based on 2018 independent reflexions is 0.056. The plane  $TiS_2$  of the molecule is folded out of the  $S_2C_2H_2$  plane at an angle of 46.1°. Both the sulphur atoms and the cyclopentadienyl centroids give a distorted tetrahedral arrangement around the titanium atom. The bond  $S-C$  is distinctly shortened with respect to the sum of the atomic radii of these atoms. The spatial orientation of the cyclopentadienyl rings is staggered.

### Einleitung

In früheren Arbeiten (Kutoglu & Köpf, 1970; Kutoglu, 1972) konnte gezeigt werden, dass zumindest in diesen Beispielen ein planares Strukturschema (McCleverty,

1968), wie dies allgemein für Metallocen-Dithiolen-Chelate vorgeschlagen wurde, nicht zutrifft.



\* Mitteilung III über Strukturbestimmungen an 'nichtlinearen' Metallocenen. II. Mitteilung: Kutoglu (1972). IV. Mitteilung: Debaerdemaker & Kutoglu (1973).