determined disordered form of $\left[\mathrm{DyCl}_{3}(\mathrm{EO} 3)\right] .18$ -crown-6 (also determined at 123 K ) the $\mathrm{Dy}-\mathrm{Cl}(1)$ equatorial distance is shorter at 2.605 (2) $\AA$ than the $\mathrm{Dy}-\mathrm{Cl}(2)$ axial separation of 2.626 (2) $\AA$. Indeed, that is true of all of the previously structurally characterized complexes containing the $\left[M \mathrm{Cl}_{3}(\mathrm{EO} 3)\right]$ unit, though some variation in the magnitude of the difference is observed for various hydrogen-bonding environments. In the title complex this situation is reversed. The axial distance $[\mathrm{Dy}-\mathrm{Cl}(2)=2.607(2) \AA$ ] is shorter than the equatorial $\mathrm{Dy}-\mathrm{Cl}(1)$ separation of 2.621 (2) $\AA$. Since there are no hydrogen bonds to the Cl atoms it is probable that packing effects are responsible for these differences. An analysis of non-bonding contacts around each Cl position in both complexes does in fact reveal interesting differences. The non-bonding contacts between $\mathrm{Cl}(1)$ and $\mathrm{Cl}(2)$ and the other atoms in the metal coordination sphere are similar for both complexes; however, non-bonded contacts between these atoms and other symmetry-related formula units are different. In the disordered complex the closest nonbonded contacts of the latter type for equatorial $\mathrm{Cl}(1)$ are six $\mathrm{Cl} \cdots \mathrm{C}$ 'crown ether $\mathrm{C}(8), \mathrm{C}(9)$ ] separations ranging from 3.616 (7) to 3.760 (7) $\AA$. The closest equatorial Cl contacts of this type in the title complex are much longer and there are only four under $4 \AA$ : two $\mathrm{Cl}(1) \ldots \mathrm{C}(9)$ (crown) contacts at 3.987 (5) $\AA$ and two $\mathrm{Cl}(1) \cdots \mathrm{C}(3)$ (glycol) contacts of 3.954 (6) $\AA$. The equatorial Cl in the disordered complex, $\mathrm{Cl}(2)$, has only three such contacts under $4 \AA$, two to glycol carbon atoms: $\mathrm{Cl}(2) \cdots \mathrm{C}(2)=3.86(1), \mathrm{Cl}(2) \cdots \mathrm{C}(3)^{\prime}$ $=3.88$ (2) $\AA$ and one to the crown ether: $\mathrm{Cl}(2) \ldots$ $\mathrm{C}(5)=3.957$ (7) $\AA$. The $\mathrm{Cl}(2)$ contacts in this category in the title complex under $4 \AA$ range from 3.538 (6) to 3.977 (6) $\AA$. There are five such contacts, all to atoms in the crown ether. For both complexes, the shortest $\mathrm{Dy}-\mathrm{Cl}$ separation occurs for the Cl having five or six Cl…crown ether contacts under $4 \AA$ regardless of its position in an axial or equatorial coordination site. The
longest observed $\mathrm{Dy}-\mathrm{Cl}$ separation occurs when there are only a few (four or less) contacts under $4 \AA$ and when these are quite long ( $>3.8 \AA$ ).

The Dy-O separations are slightly different in the two determinations of $\left[\mathrm{DyCl}_{3}(\mathrm{EO} 3)\right] .18$-crown-6. The Dy-O alcoholic distance is just over $3 \sigma$ shorter in the title complex $[2.316$ (4) versus 2.331 (4) $\AA$ ] and the $\mathrm{Dy}-\mathrm{O}$ etheric separation is just over $3 \sigma$ longer than observed previously $[2.455(4)$ versus $2.442(5) \AA]$. The glycol ligand itself in the title complex is normal with $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{O}$ torsion angles alternating $\pm g[\mathrm{C}(1)-$ $\mathrm{C}(2)=-50.0 ; \mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}\left(3^{i}\right)=59.1^{\circ}$ ] and the $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C}-$ $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{C}$ angles anti $[\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{O}(2)=-175.7 ; \mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ $=176.7^{\circ} \mathrm{J}$. The average bonding parameters are $\mathrm{C}-$ $\mathrm{O}=1.440$ (9),$\quad \mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C}=1.51$ (2) $\AA, \quad \mathrm{C}-\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{C}=$ $112 \cdot 6$ (4) and $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{O}=106 \cdot 2$ (4) ${ }^{\circ}$.

The 18 -crown-6 molecule displays its full $D_{3 d}$ symmetry and accepts one hydrogen bond on each side of the macrocycle. The average bonding parameters are $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{O}=1.421(9), \quad \mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C}=1.506$ (8) $\AA, \quad \mathrm{C}-\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{C}=$ 111 (1) and $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{O}=108.7$ (6) ${ }^{\circ}$.

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# The Structure of Tetraguanidinium Pentamolybdodiphenylphosphonate* 

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\text { Abstract. }\left[\mathrm { C } ( \mathrm { NH } _ { 2 } ) _ { 3 } \mathrm { l } _ { 4 } \left[\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{P}\right)_{2} \mathrm{Mo}_{5} \mathrm{O}_{21}, M_{r}=1272.2,\right.\right. & =7690(2) \AA^{3}, Z=8, D_{x}=2.20 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{~m}^{-3}, \mathrm{Mo} K \bar{\alpha}, \lambda \\
\text { tetragonal, } P 4_{1}, a=115.682(2), c=31 \cdot 267(5) \AA, V & =0.71069 \AA, \mu=1.735 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}, F(000)=4976, T= \\
& 298 \mathrm{~K}, R=0.035, \text { based on } 9345 \text { unique observed } \\
\text { *Multicomponent Polyanions. 42. } & \text { reflexions. The structure contains (C. } \left.\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{P}\right)_{2} \mathrm{Mo}_{5} \mathrm{O}_{21}^{4-} \\
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anions joined in a three-dimensional framework by hydrogen and ionic bonds from the $\mathrm{C}\left(\mathrm{NH}_{2}\right)_{3}^{+}$cations. The anion consists of a central polymolybdate core to which two phenylphosphonate ligands are attached from the outside. In the core, five $\mathrm{MoO}_{6}$ octahedra are coupled together forming a ring. The octahedra share edges but in one contact there is corner sharing. Mean Mo-Mo distances are 3.389 (7) $\AA$ when edge-sharing and 3.696 (3) $\AA$ when a corner is shared. The Mo-O distances are distributed in three different groups, depending on coordination, with mean values of 1.71 (1), 1.93 (2) and 2.31 (8) $\AA$. In the tetrahedral coordination around phosphorus, the $\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{O}$ distances are $1.51-1.55 \AA$ and the $\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{C}$ distances $1.78-1.80 \AA$. The guanidinium ions are approximately planar with a mean $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{N}$ distance of 1.33 (1) $\AA$.

Introduction. The present crystal structure determination forms part of a research project in our department aimed at elucidating the equilibrium conditions in some aqueous three-component systems. The studies have been focused on systems containing $\mathrm{Mo}^{{ }^{\text {VI }}}$ and/or $\mathrm{V}^{\mathrm{V}}$ where so-called heteropolyanions are formed. The equilibrium of one of the systems studied, the molybdophenylphosphonate system, may be written as

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p \mathrm{H}^{+}+q \mathrm{MoO}_{4}^{2-}+r \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{PO}_{3}^{2-}=\left(\mathrm{H}^{+}\right)_{p}\left(\mathrm{MoO}_{4}^{2-}\right)_{q}\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{PO}_{3}^{2-}\right)_{r}
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where the integers $p, q$ and $r$ define the complexes formed. In the equilibrium analyses, including potentiometric and ${ }^{31} P$ NMR studies, complexes with $q: r$ ratios 5:2, $6: 1$ and $7: 1$ have been established (Yagasaki, Andersson \& Pettersson, 1987).

To obtain structural information on the complexes formed, X-ray diffraction investigations of crystalline phases are carried out. This paper presents the result of the structure determination of a $5: 2$ complex, which has the composition ( $10,5,2$ ). A report on the preparation of such a complex and its characterization by chemical analysis and spectroscopic measurements was given by Kwak, Pope \& Scully (1975).

Experimental. In the crystal preparation $9.68 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{Na} \mathbf{N}_{2}$ $\mathrm{MoO}_{4} \cdot 2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(0.04 \mathrm{~mol})$ and $1.58 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{PO}(\mathrm{OH})_{2}$ ( 0.01 mol ) were dissolved in 100 ml of water and the solution adjusted to $\mathrm{pH}=3.3$ with 4.1 ml 12 M HCl . Then $0.38 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{C}\left(\mathrm{NH}_{2}\right)_{3} \mathrm{Cl}(0.004 \mathrm{~mol})$ was added to 10 ml of the solution, which was set to evaporate at room temperature. Within two or three weeks, colourless octahedral crystals, stable in air, were formed. The crystal used in this investigation was of approximate size $0.25 \times 0.20 \times 0.18 \mathrm{~mm}$. The content of $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{H}$ and N was determined by elemental analyses (Department of Chemistry, The University of Tokyo). Found (calc.) weight \%: C 14.8 (15.1), H 2.9 (2.7), N 13.0 (13.2).

Syntex $R 3$ four-circle diffractometer, graphite-monochromatized Mo $K \bar{\alpha}$; cell parameters by least-squares
refinement from 25 automatically centered reflexions ( $25<2 \theta<28^{\circ}$ ); $\theta-2 \theta$ scan, $3 \leq 2 \theta \leq 60^{\circ}, 0 \leq h \leq 22$, $0 \leq k \leq 22, \quad 0 \leq l \leq 44$; 12271 reflexions measured, 11481 unique, 9345 observed $[I \geq 3 \sigma(I)] ; 2 \theta$ scan rate $2-6^{\circ} \mathrm{min}^{-1}, 2 \theta$ scan width $1.3^{\circ}$ plus the $\alpha_{1}-\alpha_{2}$ dispersion, background measured on each side of the peak for a total time equal to the scan time; four standard reflexions ( $004,228,3,2,11,3,3,21$ ) measured every 50 reflexions, maximum variation $\pm 4.5 \%$; empirical absorption correction, 16 reflexions evenly distributed in $2 \theta$, each reflexion being rotated around its diffraction vector in steps of $10^{\circ}$, relative transmission factor 0.862-1.000; Lorentz and polarization corrections; Patterson synthesis and standard heavy-atom methods; anisotropic full-matrix least-squares refinements minimizing $w\left(\left|F_{o}\right|-\left|F_{c}\right|\right)^{2}$. Final $R=0.035$, $w R=0.037, S=1.309$ for 1008 refined parameters, $1 / w=\sigma^{2}\left(F_{o}\right)+\left(0.0154 F_{o}\right)^{2}$ with $\sigma\left(F_{o}\right)$ from counting statistics. Owing to the large number of parameters the refinements had to be divided into three overlapping blocks and the standard deviations may therefore be somewhat underestimated.

No extinction correction was necessary. $(\Delta / \sigma)_{\text {max }}$ $=0.01 \quad\left[\beta_{33}\right.$ for $\left.\mathrm{N} 3(7)\right] . \quad(\Delta \rho)_{\max }=0.64, \quad(\Delta \rho)_{\min }=$ $-0.60 \mathrm{e}^{-3}$. Scattering factors used were for $\mathrm{Mo}^{3+}, \mathrm{P}$, $\mathrm{O}^{-}, \mathrm{N}$ and C ; account was taken of the anomalous dispersion (International Tables for X-ray Crystallography, 1974). Attempts to locate the H atoms were not made.

The computer programs used were supplied with the Syntex $R 3$ crystallographic systems or described by Antti (1976). Computations were performed with the Data General Nova 3 computer at our department and the CDC Cyber 180/850 computer at the University Computer Centre.

Discussion. The structure consists of $\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{P}\right)_{2} \mathrm{Mo}_{5} \mathrm{O}_{21}^{4-}$ anions joined in a three-dimensional framework by numerous hydrogen bonds to the $\mathrm{C}\left(\mathrm{NH}_{2}\right)_{3}^{+}$cations. The phenyl groups give the anions a volume-consuming structure and as a result of this, the crystal growth is dominated by steric problems. These are solved by forming a three-dimensional network structure which does not require stabilizing water molecules. Final positional parameters, together with $B_{\text {eq }}$ values, of the nonhydrogen atoms are given in Table 1.*

The $\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{P}\right)_{2} \mathrm{Mo}_{5} \mathrm{O}_{21}^{4-}$ anion (Fig. 1) consists of a central polymolybdate ring to which two phenylphosphonate ligands are attached from the outside. The structure is analogous to that of the well known

[^0]Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and $B_{e q}$ values
(Hamilton, 1959) with e.s.d.'s in parentheses
For the O atoms $\mathrm{O}(i), \mathrm{O}(i j)$ and $\mathrm{OP}(i j)$, the index means that the atom is bonded to Mo atoms $i$ (and $j$ ) and $\mathbf{P}$ indicates that it is also bonded to the $\mathbf{P}$ atom. For the N atoms $\mathrm{N}(i)$ the index means that the atom is bonded to C atoms $i$.

|  | $x$ | $y$ | $z$ | $B_{\text {eq }}\left(\AA^{2}\right)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mol | 0.22249 (4) | 0.40273 (4) | 0.60893 (3) | 2.33 (1) |
| Mo2 | 0.21305 (4) | 0.32928 (4) | 0.71085 (3) | 2.20 (1) |
| Mo3 | 0.30648 (4) | 0.13484 (4) | 0.71447 (3) | 2.02 (1) |
| Mo4 | 0.31899 (4) | 0.06730 (4) | 0.60145 (2) | 1.92 (1) |
| Mo5 | 0.29609 (4) | 0.24776 (4) | 0.54322* | 2.22 (1) |
| Mo6 | 0.28804 (4) | 0.37874 (4) | 0.10591 (3) | 2.04 (1) |
| Mo7 | 0.29744 (4) | 0.31765 (4) | 0.20956 (3) | $2 \cdot 11$ (1) |
| Mo8 | 0.20381 (4) | $0 \cdot 12311$ (4) | 0.21893 (3) | 2.18 (1) |
| Mo9 | $0 \cdot 19564$ (4) | $0 \cdot 04200$ (4) | 0.10797 (3) | 2.28 (1) |
| Mol0 | 0.21869 (4) | 0.21468 (4) | 0.04394 (3) | $2 \cdot 28$ (1) |
| PI | $0 \cdot 15975$ (11) | 0.19677 (11) | 0.62887 (6) | 1.90 (4) |
| P2 | 0.38491 (11) | 0.26897 (11) | 0.64349 (6) | 1.85 (4) |
| P3 | 0.12721 (11) | 0.24785 (11) | 0.14287 (6) | 1.79 (4) |
| P4 | 0.35349 (11) | $0 \cdot 17588$ (11) | $0 \cdot 13183$ (6) | 1.94 (4) |
| $\mathrm{O}(12)$ | 0.1601 (3) | 0.3789 (3) | 0.6600 (2) | 2.63 (13) |
| O(15) | 0.3029 (3) | 0.3609 (3) | 0.5671 (2) | 2.54 (12) |
| O (23) | 0.2866 (3) | 0.2478 (3) | 0.7376 (2) | 2.47 (12) |
| O(34) | 0.3177 (3) | 0.0698 (3) | 0.6624 (1) | 2.03 (11) |
| O(45) | 0.2860 (3) | $0 \cdot 1260$ (3) | 0.5498 (2) | $2 \cdot 28$ (12) |
| O(67) | 0.3497 (3) | 0.3619 (3) | 0.1578 (2) | $2 \cdot 26$ (12) |
| O(610) | 0.2112 (3) | 0.3322 (3) | 0.0641 (2) | 2.35 (12) |
| O(78) | 0.2227 (3) | 0.2403 (3) | 0.2379 (2) | 2.39 (12) |
| O(89) | 0.1967 (3) | 0.0518 (3) | 0.1696 (2) | 2.24 (12) |
| O(910) | 0.2287 (3) | 0.0947 (3) | 0.0533 (2) | $2 \cdot 63$ (13) |
| OP(12) | 0.3198 (3) | 0.3372 (3) | 0.6556 (2) | 2.17 (11) |
| OP(i5) | 0.1895 (3) | 0.2624 (3) | 0.5955 (2) | 1.95 (11) |
| OP(23) | 0.2011 (3) | 0.2120 (3) | 0.6727 (2) | 2.02 (11) |
| OP(3) | 0.4045 (3) | 0.2114 (3) | 0.6812 (2) | 2.06 (11) |
| OP(4) | 0.1813 (3) | 0.1071 (3) | 0.6146 (2) | 2.21 (11) |
| OP(45) | 0.3548 (3) | 0.2138 (3) | 0.6058 (2) | 1.90 (10) |
| OP(67) | 0.1919 (3) | 0.3179 (3) | 0.1534 (2) | $2 \cdot 12$ (11) |
| OP(610) | 0.3231 (3) | 0.2381 (3) | 0.0967 (2) | 2.23 (12) |
| OP(78) | 0.3136 (3) | 0.1962 (3) | 0.1755 (2) | $2 \cdot 33$ (12) |
| OP(8) | $0 \cdot 1075$ (3) | 0.1938 (3) | 0.1819 (2) | $2 \cdot 11$ (11) |
| OP(9) | 0.3317 (3) | 0.0847 (3) | 0.1203 (2) | 2.37 (12) |
| OP(910) | 0.1595 (3) | $0 \cdot 1881$ (3) | $0 \cdot 1070$ (2) | 2.06 (11) |
| O1(1) | 0.2741 (4) | 0.4962 (3) | 0.6210 (2) | $3 \cdot 25$ (15) |
| O2(1) | 0.1414 (4) | 0.4349 (4) | 0.5770 (2) | 4. 10 (17) |
| O1(2) | 0.2564 (4) | 0.4191 (3) | 0.7325 (2) | $3 \cdot 20$ (14) |
| O2(2) | 0.1221 (3) | 0.3134 (4) | 0.7390 (2) | 3.29 (15) |
| O1(3) | 0.3871 (3) | 0.0982 (4) | 0.7459 (2) | 2.96 (14) |
| O2(3) | 0.2187 (3) | 0.0835 (4) | 0.7355 (2) | 3.07 (14) |
| O1(4) | 0.4260 (3) | 0.0521 (3) | 0.5918 (2) | 2.79 (13) |
| O2(4) | 0.2760 (3) | -0.0296 (3) | 0.5911 (2) | 2.80 (13) |
| O1(5) | 0.3891 (4) | 0.2500 (4) | 0.5152 (2) | 3.53 (16) |
| O2(5) | 0.2190 (4) | 0.2609 (4) | 0.5051 (2) | 3.73 (16) |
| O1(6) | 0.3702 (4) | 0.4098 (4) | 0.0735 (2) | $3 \cdot 20$ (15) |
| O2(6) | 0.2319 (3) | 0.4717 (3) | 0.1145 (2) | 2.55 (12) |
| O1(7) | 0.3891 (3) | 0.3065 (4) | 0.2385 (2) | $3 \cdot 14$ (14) |
| O2(7) | 0.2520 (3) | 0.4088 (4) | 0.2284 (2) | 3.23 (15) |
| O1(8) | 0.2905 (3) | 0.0778 (4) | 0.2433 (2) | 3.07 (14) |
| O2(8) | $0 \cdot 1218$ (4) | 0.0908 (4) | 0.2505 (2) | 3.31 (15) |
| O1(9) | 0.2388 (3) | -0.0555 (3) | 0.0997 (2) | $3 \cdot 14$ (14) |
| O2(9) | 0.0892 (3) | 0.0260 (3) | 0.0996 (2) | 3.25 (14) |
| O1(10) | 0.2963 (4) | 0.2252 (4) | 0.0060 (2) | 3.89 (17) |
| O2(10) | $0 \cdot 1250$ (4) | $0 \cdot 2175$ (4) | 0.0158 (2) | 3.62 (16) |
| C9 | 0.0457 (4) | 0.2050 (4) | 0.6331 (2) | $2 \cdot 16$ (16) |
| C10 | 0.0047 (6) | 0.1727 (6) | 0.6696 (3) | 3.96 (24) |
| C11 | -0.0826 (7) | 0.1748 (8) | 0.6717 (4) | 5.45 (34) |
| C12 | -0.1299 (5) | 0.2063 (6) | 0.6385 (4) | 3.87 (24) |
| C13 | -0.0913 (5) | 0.2362 (6) | 0.6022 (4) | 4.22 (26) |
| C14 | -0.0004 (5) | 0.2372 (6) | 0.6004 (3) | 3.64 (22) |
| C15 | 0.4843 (4) | 0.3163 (4) | 0.6290 (2) | $2 \cdot 16$ (15) |
| C16 | 0.5327 (6) | 0.2801 (6) | 0.5969 (3) | 4.08 (25) |
| C17 | 0.6171 (6) | 0.3068 (8) | 0.5901 (3) | 5.40 (33) |
| C18 | 0.6512 (6) | 0.3701 (7) | 0.6141 (4) | $5 \cdot 19$ (31) |
| C19 | 0.6031 (6) | 0.4076 (7) | 0.6468 (4) | 4.91 (29) |
| C20 | 0.5185 (6) | 0.3797 (5) | 0.6545 (3) | 3.57 (22) |
| C21 | 0.0275 (4) | 0.2925 (4) | 0.1271 (2) | 1.91 (15) |
| C 22 | -0.0063 (5) | 0.3603 (5) | 0.1501 (3) | $3 \cdot 10$ (20) |
| C23 | -0.0887 (5) | 0.3871 (5) | 0.1438 (3) | 3.83 (23) |
| C24 | -0.1397 (5) | 0.3466 (6) | 0.1131 (3) | 3.71 (23) |
| C25 | -0.1070 (5) | 0.2787 (6) | 0.0891 (3) | 3.36 (21) |
| C26 | -0.0221 (5) | 0.2514 (5) | 0.0960 (3) | 2.53 (17) |
| C27 | 0.4667 (4) | 0.1839 (5) | 0.1345 (2) | 2.36 (16) |
| C28 | 0.5106 (5) | 0.2150 (6) | 0.0993 (3) | $4 \cdot 24$ (26) |

[^1]Table 1 (cont.)

|  | $x$ | $y$ | $z$ | $B_{c 4}\left(\AA^{2}\right)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C29 | 0.6020 (6) | 0.2171 (7) | $0 \cdot 1013$ (4) | 5.27 (32) |
| C30 | 0.6430 (5) | 0.1873 (6) | 0.1355 (4) | 4.27 (26) |
| C31 | 0.6001 (6) | $0 \cdot 1551$ (7) | $0 \cdot 1702$ (4) | 4.88 (29) |
| C32 | 0.5104 (5) | 0.1528 (6) | 0.1690 (3) | 3.83 (24) |
| Cl | -0.0761 (5) | 0.4064 (5) | 0.6879 (3) | 3.00 (20) |
| C2 | -0.0690 (5) | 0.4939 (5) | 0.5322 (3) | 3.01 (20) |
| C3 | 0.6019 (5) | 0.0436 (5) | 0.5256 (2) | 2.93 (19) |
| C4 | $0 \cdot 6125$ (5) | $0 \cdot 1123$ (5) | 0.6845 (3) | $2 \cdot 60$ (18) |
| C5 | 0.5976 (5) | 0.3773 (5) | 0.1958 (3) | 3.21 (20) |
| C6 | 0.5832 (5) | 0.4551 (6) | 0.0367 (3) | $3 \cdot 58$ (22) |
| C7 | -0.0740 (6) | 0.0182 (5) | 0.0275 (2) | 3.25 (21) |
| C8 | -0.1094 (5) | 0.0871 (5) | 0.1719 (3) | 2.78 (18) |
| N1(1) | -0.0222 (5) | 0.4259 (5) | 0.6572 (3) | 4.07 (21) |
| N2(1) | -0.0497 (5) | 0.3655 (5) | 0.7227 (3) | 3.77 (20) |
| N3(1) | -0.1582 (4) | 0.4310 (5) | 0.6847 (2) | 3.78 (20) |
| N1(2) | -0.0061 (5) | 0.4522 (5) | 0.5139 (3) | 4.24 (22) |
| N2(2) | -0.1444 (5) | 0.4531 (5) | 0.5369 (3) | 4.41 (22) |
| N3(2) | -0.0583 (5) | 0.5712 (5) | 0.5483 (3) | 4.82 (24) |
| N1(3) | 0.6802 (4) | 0.0528 (5) | 0.5104 (2) | 3.61 (19) |
| N2(3) | 0.5764 (5) | -0.0292 (5) | 0.5450 (3) | 4.21 (21) |
| N3(3) | 0.5451 (5) | 0.1051 (5) | 0.5216 (3) | 4.61 (23) |
| N1(4) | 0.5721 (5) | 0.0667 (5) | 0.6550 (3) | 4.04 (21) |
| N2(4) | 0.6928 (4) | 0.0930 (4) | 0.6941 (3) | 3.59 (19) |
| N3(4) | 0.5746 (4) | 0.1746 (4) | 0.7053 (2) | $3 \cdot 31$ (18) |
| N1(5) | 0.5408 (5) | 0.4051 (5) | 0.1667 (3) | 4.58 (23) |
| N2(5) | 0.5710 (5) | 0.3307 (5) | 0.2282 (2) | $4 \cdot 13$ (21) |
| N3(5) | 0.6796 (5) | 0.3943 (5) | $0 \cdot 1924$ (3) | 4.27 (22) |
| N1(6) | 0.6636 (5) | 0.4465 (6) | 0.0248 (3) | 5.47 (27) |
| N2(6) | 0.5240 (5) | 0.3979 (5) | 0.0248 (3) | 4.87 (24) |
| N3(6) | 0.5571 (5) | 0.5227 (6) | 0.0595 (4) | 6.09 (30) |
| N1(7) | -0.0029 (5) | 0.0497 (5) | 0.0089 (3) | 4.21 (21) |
| N2(7) | -0.0740 (5) | -0.0620 (5) | 0.0414 (3) | 4.86 (24) |
| N3(7) | -0.1418 (5) | 0.0676 (5) | 0.0307 (3) | 4.66 (23) |
| N1(8) | -0.0714 (5) | 0.0413 (5) | 0.1414 (2) | $4 \cdot 13$ (21) |
| N2(8) | -0.1905 (4) | 0.0734 (5) | $0 \cdot 1808$ (2) | 3.24 (18) |
| N3(8) | -0.0674 (4) | 0.1489 (5) | $0 \cdot 1932$ (2) | 3.58 (19) |

$\mathrm{Mo}_{5} \mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{23}$ group (Pope, 1983) but with the two unshared phosphate oxygen atoms substituted by phenyl groups. The five $\mathrm{MoO}_{6}$ octahedra are coupled by edge sharing but in one contact only a corner is shared. In each octahedron two O atoms are unshared.

Selected distances within the anion are given in Table 2. Two groups of Mo-Mo distances can be distinguished. When the $\mathrm{MoO}_{6}$ octahedra share edges the Mo-Mo distances vary between 3.383(1) and 3.400 (1) $\AA$, while when corner sharing they increase to 3.694 (1) and 3.698 (1) $\AA$, respectively. A comparison between the different anions, $\mathrm{Mo}_{5} \mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{23}^{6}, \mathrm{HMO}_{5} \mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{23}^{5-}$, $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{Mo}_{5} \mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{23}^{4-}$ and $\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{P}\right)_{2} \mathrm{Mo}_{5} \mathrm{O}_{21}^{4-}$, shows that the Mo-Mo distances in the two last mentioned are almost equivalent. It can also be seen that the first attached H atom causes an increase in Mo-Mo distances when corner sharing while the second H atom also gives rise to increasing distances when edge sharing (Hedman, 1973; Strandberg, 1973; Fischer, Ricard \& Toledano, 1974; Hedman, 1977; Hedman \& Strandberg, 1979). Cross distances, Mo-Mo, within the anion vary between 5.476 and $5.662 \AA$. The $\mathrm{MoO}_{6}$ octahedra are far from regular, which can be seen from Table 2. As expected the Mo-O distances increase with the number of atoms coordinating the O atom. Each octahedron comprises two unshared O atoms, two O atoms shared between two Mo and two O atoms shared between P as well as one or two Mo. Consequently, there are three groups of $\mathrm{Mo}-\mathrm{O}$ distances and the distances within each group are: 1.69-1.72, 1.91-1.97, 2.20-2.48 $\AA$.

The coordination round P is tetrahedral with bond distances $\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{O}$ 1.51-1.55 and $\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{C}$ 1.78-1.80 $\AA$. In the $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{5}$ group the $\mathrm{C}_{6}$ ring is almost planar with $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C}$ distances 1.33-1.44 $\AA$.

The C and N atoms in each guanidinium ion, $\mathrm{C}\left(\mathrm{NH}_{2}\right)_{3}^{4}$, are almost planar with C triangularly coordinated by N . The mean $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{N}$ distance is $1.33 \AA$ while the mean value for the angle $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{N}$ is $120.0^{\circ}$. These are in accordance with earlier results (Haas, Harris \& Mills, 1965). The connecting links between $\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{P}\right)_{2} \mathrm{Mo}_{5} \mathrm{O}_{21}^{4-}$ anions are hydrogen bonds effected by the guanidinium ions. Although the H atoms were not located, a proposal for the hydrogen-bond system can be given by taking $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{O}$ distances and $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{O}$ angles into consideration. The system is complicated and each guanidinium has at least one N atom that connects the anions by bridges $\mathrm{O} \cdots \mathrm{H}-\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$. The $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{O}$ distances in these connections fall into the range $2.73-3.20 \AA$. Besides these pure $\mathrm{O} \cdots \mathrm{H}-\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ bonds there are of course also numerous connections of the type $\mathrm{O} \cdots \mathrm{H}-\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$. As could be expected it is mainly the unshared oxygen atoms that act as hydrogen-bond acceptors in the bridges. Moreover, many hydrogen bonds may be bifurcated.

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Fig. 1. (a) A stereoscopic view of the $\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{P}\right)_{2} \mathrm{Mo}_{5} \mathrm{O}_{21}^{4-}$ anion. The thermal ellipsoids are scaled to include $50 \%$ probability (ORTEPII, Johnson, 1976). (b) The same anion drawn as linked polyhedra and with the phenyl groups as hexagons.

Table 2. Selected distances $(\AA)$ within the $\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{P}\right)_{2} \mathrm{Mo}_{5} \mathrm{O}_{21}^{4-}$ anions

| Mol-Mo2 | 3-392 (1) | Mo6-Mo7 | 3.383 (1) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mol-Mo5 | 3.385 (1) | Mo6-Mol0 | 3.400 (1) |
| Mo2-Mo3 | 3.385 (1) | Mo7-Mo8 | 3.398 (1) |
| Mo3-Mo4 | 3.694 (1) | Mo8-Mo9 | 3.698 (1) |
| Mo4-Mo5 | 3.384 (1) | Mo9-Mol0 | 3.387 (1) |
| Mol-OI(1) | 1.716 (5) | Mo6-O1(6) | 1.710 (6) |
| $\mathrm{Mol}-\mathrm{O} 2(1)$ | 1.693 (6) | Mo6-O2(6) | 1.723 (5) |
| $\mathrm{Mol}-\mathrm{O}(12)$ | 1.909 (5) | Mo6-O(67) | 1.908 (5) |
| $\mathrm{Mol}-\mathrm{O}(15)$ | 1.931 (5) | Mo6-O(610) | 1.921 (5) |
| Mol-OP(12) | 2.347 (5) | Mo6-OP(67) | 2.321 (5) |
| Mol-OP(15) | 2.300 (5) | Mo6-OP(610) | 2.292 (5) |
| Mo2-O1(2) | 1.704 (6) | Mo7-O1(7) | 1.709 (5) |
| Mo2-O2(2) | 1.694 (6) | Mo7-O2(7) | 1.702 (6) |
| Mo2-O(12) | 1.956 (5) | Mo7-O(67) | 1.942 (5) |
| $\mathrm{Mo2-O}(23)$ | 1.914 (5) | Mo7-O(78) | 1.905 (2) |
| Mo2-OP(12) | 2.409 (5) | Mo7-OP(67) | 2.414 (5) |
| Mo2-OP(23) | 2.201 (5) | Mo7-OP(78) | 2.197(5) |
| Mo3-OI(3) | 1.702 (5) | Mo8-O1(8) | 1.713 (6) |
| $\mathrm{Mo3-O2}(3)$ | 1.724 (6) | Mo8-O2(8) | 1.699 (6) |
| Mo3-O(23) | 1.939 (5) | Mo8-O(78) | 1.953 (5) |
| $\mathrm{Mo3-O}(34)$ | 1.929 (5) | Mo8-O(89) | 1.908 (5) |
| Mo3-OP(23) | 2.429 (5) | Mo8-OP(78) | 2.475 (5) |
| Mo3-OP(3) | 2.210 (5) | Mo8-OP(8) | $2 \cdot 203$ (5) |
| Mo4-OI(4) | 1.721 (5) | Mo9-O1(9) | 1.692 (5) |
| Mo4-O2(4) | 1.694 (5) | Mo9-O2(9) | 1.707 (5) |
| Mo4-O(34) | 1.907 (5) | Mo9-O(89) | 1.934 (5) |
| Mo4-O(45) | 1.931 (5) | Mo9-O(910) | 1.967 (5) |
| Mo4-OP(4) | 2.286 (5) | Mo9-OP(9) | 2.269 (5) |
| Mo4-OP(45) | 2.368 (4) | Mo9-OP(910) | $2 \cdot 360$ (4) |
| Mo5-O1(5) | 1.702 (6) | Mol0-O1(10) | 1.707 (6) |
| Mo5-O2(5) | 1.711 (6) | Mol0-O2(10) | 1.713 (6) |
| Mo5-O(15) | 1.928 (5) | Mol0-O(610) | 1.952 (5) |
| Mo5-O(45) | 1.928 (5) | Mol0-O(910) | 1.911 (5) |
| Mo5-OP(15) | 2.350 (5) | Mol0-OP(610) | $2 \cdot 353$ (5) |
| Mo5-OP(45) | 2.226 (5) | Mol0-OP(910) | $2 \cdot 217$ (5) |

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