$\mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{7}^{4-}$ is found in eclipsed conformation; $\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{O}$ distances range from 1.482 (6) to 1.617 (7) $\AA$ with $\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{O}_{\text {terminal }}$ distances averaging $1 \cdot 517$ (6) $\AA$ and P $\mathrm{O}_{\text {bridging }}$ distances longer [average 1.611 (6) $\AA$ ] The $\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{P}$ angle is $122 \cdot 1(4)^{\circ}$. These distances are comparable to the values seen for other similar groups. $\mathrm{BaCuP}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{7}$ thus belongs to the family of dichromate structures in which $\mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{7}$ shows an eclipsed conformation and $\mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{7}^{4-}$ ions appear in groups of two with bridging O atoms directed towards each other.
$\mathrm{Ba}^{2+}$ ions show ninefold coordination with $\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{O}$ distances between 2.702 ( 6 ) and 3.001 (5) $\AA$ [average $2 \cdot 840$ (6) $\AA$ ]. These distances are similar to those observed for Ba in $\mathrm{BaCoP}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{7}(2 \cdot 70-2 \cdot 97 \AA$ ). In $\alpha-\mathrm{Sr}_{2} \mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{7}$ (Hagman, Jansson \& Magnéli, 1968), isostructural with $\alpha-\mathrm{Ba}_{2} \mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{7}$ (Morris, McMurdie, Evans, Paretzkin, DeGroot, Hubbard \& Carmel, 1979), $\mathrm{Sr}^{2+}$ shows ninefold coordination. Thus the structures of $\mathrm{BaCuP}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{7}$ and $\mathrm{BaCoP}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{7}$ are isostructural. Both display dimers of $M \mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{7}^{2-}$ in which pairs of metal atoms are bridged by two O atoms. The solid-state structure of $\mathrm{BaCuP}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{7}$, thus, does not lead to a complete interpretation of its lowtemperature magnetic behavior.

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# $\left.\operatorname{CsSbO}\left(\mathrm{SiO}_{3}\right)_{2}: \mathrm{A} \mathrm{New}\left\{u B, 1{ }_{\infty}{ }^{1}\right\} \mid{ }^{12} \mathrm{SiO}_{3}\right]$ Chain Silicate 

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Abstract. $\mathrm{CsSbO}\left(\mathrm{SiO}_{3}\right)_{2}, M_{r}=422.82$, orthorhombic,
Pna $2_{1}, \quad a=21.024(2), \quad b=13.602(2), \quad c=$ 7.1287 (7) $\AA, \quad V=2038.6(7) \AA^{3}, \quad Z=12, \quad D_{x}=$ $4.131 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}, \quad \lambda($ Mo $K \alpha)=0.71069 \AA, \quad \mu=$ $9.66 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}, \quad F(000)=2280, \quad T=293 \mathrm{~K}, \quad R=0.044$, $w R=0.047$ for 2576 independent reflections. The structure consists of chains of corner-sharing $\mathrm{SbO}_{6}$ octahedra, running parallel to the $c$ axis and crosslinked to chains of corner-sharing $\mathrm{SiO}_{4}$ tetrahedra running parallel to the $a$ axis. This covalent framework delimits tunnels which extend through the structure parallel to the $a$ axis and wherein Cs

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atoms are situated. The overall silicate anion topology is $\left\{u B, 1{ }_{\infty}{ }^{1}\right\}\left[{ }^{12} \mathrm{SiO}_{3}\right]$.

Introduction. As part of a search for layered or skeleton structures with covalent networks built up from $M \mathrm{O}_{6}$ octahedra ( $M$ : high valent cation) and $X \mathrm{O}_{4}$ tetrahedra ( $X=\mathrm{P}, \mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Ge}$ ) the first alkali antimony $(\mathrm{V})$ silicates $\mathrm{KSbOSiO}_{4}$ (Crosnier, Guyomard, Verbaere \& Piffard, 1990) and $\mathrm{NaSbOSiO}_{4}$ (Pagnoux, Guyomard, Verbaere, Piffard \& Tournoux, 1991), which are both isomorphous derivatives of $\mathrm{KTiOPO}_{4}$, have recently been characterized. This paper reports the crystal structure determination of a monopolysilicate isolated during the

Table 1. Atomic coordinates and thermal parameters

| $B_{\text {cq }}=(4 / 3) \sum_{i} \sum_{i} \beta_{i j} \mathbf{a}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{a}_{j}$. |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $x$ | $y$ | $z$ | $B_{\text {is }} / B_{\text {eq }}\left(\AA^{2}\right)$ |
| $\mathrm{Cs}(1)$ | 0.00744 (8) | 0.3533 (2) | 0.7714 (2) | 3.03 (3) |
| $\mathrm{Cs}(2)$ | 0.16345 (8) | 0.1349 (1) | 0.7856 (3) | 2.87 (3) |
| $\mathrm{Cs}(3)$ | 0.3309 (1) | 0.3400 (1) | 0.7743 (3) | 3.37 (3) |
| $\mathrm{Sb}(1)$ | -0.00042 (7) | -0.00428 (8) | 0 | 0.243 (9) |
| $\mathrm{Sb}(2)$ | 0.16903 (5) | 0.51708 (7) | 0.5333 (2) | 0.30 (1) |
| $\mathrm{Sb}(3)$ | 0.33328 (6) | 0.01297 (6) | 0.5340 (2) | 0.26 (1) |
| $\mathrm{Si}(1)$ | 0.0719 (2) | 0.3812 (3) | 0.2761 (7) | 0.29 (5) |
| $\mathrm{Si}(2)$ | 0.0843 (2) | 0.1528 (3) | 0.2453 (6) | 0.37 (5) |
| $\mathrm{Si}(3)$ | 0.2305 (2) | 0.1391 (3) | 0.2992 (7) | 0.47 (5) |
| Si(4) | 0.2508 (2) | 0.3616 (3) | 0.2998 (7) | 0.31 (5) |
| Si(5) | 0.4014 (2) | 0.3725 (3) | 0.2487 (6) | 0.28 (5) |
| Si(6) | 0.4267 (2) | 0.1498 (3) | 0.2776 (7) | 0.27 (5) |
| O(1) | 0.4887 (6) | 0.4453 (8) | 0.756 (2) | 0.7 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(2)$ | 0.1626 (5) | 0.4560 (7) | 0.783 (2) | 0.5 (1) |
| $\mathrm{O}(3)$ | 0.1732 (5) | 0.5737 (7) | 0.284 (2) | 0.5 (1) |
| O(4) | 0.4497 (5) | 0.6235 (8) | 0.942 (2) | 0.4 (1) |
| $\mathrm{O}(5)$ | 0.4187 (6) | 0.4377 (8) | 0.069 (2) | 0.6 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(6)$ | 0.4203 (6) | 0.4269 (9) | 0.442 (2) | 0.8 (2) |
| O 7 ) | 0.0503 (6) | 0.1122 (9) | 0.057 (2) | 0.9 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(8)$ | 0.2743 (6) | 0.1230 (9) | 0.117 (2) | 0.9 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(9)$ | 0.2447 (6) | 0.4356 (9) | 0.477 (2) | 0.9 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(10)$ | 0.0939 (7) | 0.597 (1) | 0.586 (2) | 1.1 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(11)$ | 0.1135 (6) | 0.4069 (8) | 0.460 (2) | 0.5 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(12)$ | 0.2499 (6) | 0.5709 (8) | -0.023 (2) | 0.5 (1) |
| $\mathrm{O}(13)$ | 0.2098 (6) | 0.3931 (9) | 0.119 (2) | 0.7 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(14)$ | 0.1207 (6) | 0.6330 (9) | 0.955 (2) | 0.5 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(15)$ | 0.0840 (6) | 0.4539 (8) | 0.100 (2) | 0.4 (1) |
| $\mathrm{O}(16)$ | 0.0856 (6) | 0.2696 (9) | 0.216 (2) | 0.8 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(17)$ | 0.1588 (4) | 0.1173 (6) | 0.247 (1) | 0.0 (1) |
| $\mathrm{O}(18)$ | 0.2320 (6) | 0.2527 (9) | 0.367 (2) | 0.6 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(19)$ | 0.3232 (5) | 0.3581 (7) | 0.245 (1) | 0.3 (1) |
| $\mathrm{O}(20)$ | 0.4338 (6) | 0.2664 (9) | 0.238 (2) | 1.0 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(21)$ | 0.9960 (6) | 0.3920 (9) | 0.340 (2) | 0.7 (2) |

course of our investigations on the $\mathrm{Cs}_{2} \mathrm{O}-\mathrm{Sb}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{5}-\mathrm{SiO}_{2}$ system: $\mathrm{CsSbO}\left(\mathrm{SiO}_{3}\right)_{2}$.

Experimental. Synthesis. Single crystals of $\mathrm{CsSbO}\left(\mathrm{SiO}_{3}\right)_{2}$ were grown from mixtures of $\mathrm{CsNO}_{3}$, $\mathrm{Sb}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}$ and $\mathrm{SiO}_{2}$. The chemicals were weighed out in a 2:1:2 molar ratio, i.e. with a $100 \%$ excess in Cs and Sb , and the mixture was heated in a platinum crucible at 673 K for 2 h to decompose $\mathrm{CsNO}_{3}$ before calcining at 1573 K for 10 h in air.

Structure determination. The title compound was characterized and its structure determined by singlecrystal X-ray diffraction, using an Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer and Mo $K \alpha$ radiation ( $\lambda=$ $0.71069 \AA$ ). Unit-cell constants were refined by a least-squares procedure from powder data collected with an Inel curved multi-detector [ 0.2 mm capillary, $\lambda\left(\mathrm{Cu} K \alpha_{1}\right)=1.54059 \AA$, silicon as standard].* Data collection was performed on a small colorless crystal $0.1 \times 0.1 \times 0.1 \mathrm{~mm}, \quad 0.049<\sin \theta / \lambda<0.807 \AA^{-1}$, with $0 \leq h \leq 33, \quad-21 \leq k \leq 21, \quad 0 \leq l \leq 11$, scan mode $\theta-2 \theta$ with $\Delta \theta=(1.0+0.35 \tan \theta)^{\circ}$ and $(1.5+$ $\tan \theta) \mathrm{mm}$ counter slit. The scan speed was $5.49^{\circ} \mathrm{min}^{-1}$ for reflections with $\sigma(I) / I<0.03$ or adjusted in a time limited to 90 s , down to

[^1]$1.03^{\circ} \mathrm{min}^{-1}$ for other reflections. Three check reflections were monitored every 3600 s and showed no evidence of decay. 9710 reflections were measured, of which 4483 were observed at $I>3 \sigma(I)$. They were corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects and, on account of the crystal shape, a spherical absorption correction was applied (min. and max. transmission coefficients: $0.418,0.435$ ). Among the 4483 reflections with $I>3 \sigma(I)$, 669 were unique. The remainder were averaged with $R_{\mathrm{int}}=0.036$ thus leading to a total of 2576 reflections which were used for structure solution and refinement. The systematic absences were consistent with the space groups Pnam and $P n a 2_{1}$ and structure determination was first conducted in the centrosymmetric space group. The heavy-atom positions were inferred from the Patterson map, the remaining atoms being located from successive electron density difference syntheses. No model could be refined successfully in the centrosymmetric space group, so $P n a 2_{1}$ was chosen. The $z$ coordinate of $\mathrm{Sb}(1)$ was held fixed to define the origin along the polar $c$ axis.

The $S D P$ software package (B. A. Frenz \& Associates, Inc., 1982) was used for all calculations performed on a VAX 3900 computer. A full-matrix least-squares refinement was carried out minimizing the quantity $\sum w\left(F_{o}-F_{c}\right)^{2}$ and employing modified unit weights $\left[w=1.0\right.$ for $F_{o}<0.8 F_{o}$ max. and $w=$


Fig. 1. [001] view of the $\left[\mathrm{SbO}\left(\mathrm{SiO}_{3}\right)_{2}\right]^{-}$covalent framework.


Fig. 2. [100] view of the $\left[\mathrm{SbO}\left(\mathrm{SiO}_{3}\right)_{2}\right]^{-}$covalent framework.

Table 2. Selected bond distances ( $\AA$ ) and bond angles $\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$ with e.s.d.'s

| $\mathrm{Sb}(1) \mathrm{O}_{6}$ octahedron |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{Sb}(1)$ | $\mathrm{O}(1)$ | $\mathrm{O}(1)$ | $\mathrm{O}(4)$ | $\mathrm{O}(5)$ | $\mathrm{O}(6)$ | $\mathrm{O}(7)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)$ | 1.96 (2) | 3.89 (1) | 2.88 (2) | 2.68 (2) | 2.67 (2) | 2.80 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)$ | 175.9 (4) | 1.93 (2) | 2.75 (3) | 2.84 (2) | 2.91 (2) | 2.63 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(4)$ | 88.6 (5) | 95.1 (5) | 1.98 (1) | 2.76 (2) | 2.82 (2) | 3.93 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(5)$ | 92.1 (6) | 86.2 (6) | 88.4 (5) | 1.99 (1) | 3.96 (2) | 2.85 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(6)$ | 85.6 (6) | 96.2 (6) | 91.1 (6) | 177.6 (6) | 1.97 (1) | 2.72 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(7)$ | 91.2 (6) | 85.2 (6) | 179.0 (6) | 92.6 (6) | 87.9 (6) | 1.95 (1) |
| $\mathrm{Sb}(2) \mathrm{O}_{6}$ octahedron |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sb (2) | $\mathrm{O}(2)$ | $\mathrm{O}(3)$ | $\mathrm{O}(8)$ | $\mathrm{O}(9)$ | $\mathrm{O}(10)$ | O(11) |
| $\mathrm{O}(2)$ | 1.97 (2) | 3.91 (2) | 2.88 (2) | 2.80 (2) | 2.79 (2) | 2.61 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(3)$ | 177.9 (5) | 1.94 (2) | 2.70 (2) | 2.77 (2) | 2.74 (2) | 2.88 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(8)$ | 94.3 (6) | 87.8 (6) | 1.96 (1) | 2.77 (2) | 2.80 (2) | 3.93 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(9)$ | 90.2 (6) | 90.0 (6) | 89.2 (6) | 1.98 (1) | 3.94 (2) | 2.79 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(10)$ | 90.4 (6) | 89.4 (6) | 91.2 (6) | 179.3 (7) | 1.96 (1) | 2.77 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(11)$ | 83.0 (5) | 94.9 (5) | 177.1 (6) | 89.8 (6) | 89.8 (6) | 1.97 (1) |
| $\mathrm{Sb}(3) \mathrm{O}_{6}$ octahedron |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sb (3) | $\mathrm{O}(2)$ | O(3) | $\mathrm{O}(12)$ | O(13) | $\mathrm{O}(14)$ | O(15) |
| $\mathrm{O}(2)$ | 1.95 (2) | 3.91 (2) | 2.78 (2) | 2.73 (2) | 2.84 (2) | 2.80 (2) |
| O(3) | 178.0 (6) | 1.97 (2) | 2.72 (2) | 2.83 (2) | 2.72 (2) | 2.81 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(12)$ | 90.5 (6) | 87.7 (5) | 1.96 (1) | 2.75 (2) | 2.85 (2) | 3.93 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(13)$ | 88.4 (5) | 92.2 (5) | 89.2 (5) | 1.96 (1) | 3.94 (2) | 2.77 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(14)$ | 92.5 (5) | 87.0 (5) | 92.6 (5) | 177.9 (6) | 1.98 (1) | 2.76 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(15)$ | 90.9 (5) | 91.0 (5) | 178.2 (6) | 89.7 (5) | 88.4 (5) | 1.97 (1) |
| $\mathrm{Si}(1) \mathrm{O}_{4}$ tetrahedron |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\mathrm{Si}(1)$ | O(11) | O(15) | $\mathrm{O}(16)$ | O(21) |  |
|  | $\mathrm{O}(11)$ | 1.62 (1) | 2.72 (2) | 2.62 (2) | 2.62 (2) |  |
|  | $\mathrm{O}(15)$ | 114.4 (7) | 1.62 (1) | 2.64 (2) | 2.66 (2) |  |
|  | $\mathrm{O}(16)$ | 109.0 (7) | 110.0 (7) | 1.60 (1) | 2.66 (2) |  |
|  | $\mathrm{O}(21)$ | 106.2 (7) | 107.9 (7) | 109.2 (7) | 1.67 (1) |  |
| $\mathrm{Si}(2) \mathrm{O}_{4}$ tetrahedron |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\mathrm{Si}(2)$ | $\mathrm{O}(4)$ | $\mathrm{O}(7)$ | $\mathrm{O}(16)$ | $\mathrm{O}(17)$ |  |
|  | $\mathrm{O}(4)$ | 1.62 (1) | 2.75 (2) | 2.66 (2) | 2.67 (2) |  |
|  | $\mathrm{O}(7)$ | 115.9 (7) | 1.62 (2) | 2.53 (2) | 2.65 (2) |  |
|  | $\mathrm{O}(16)$ | 111.3 (7) | 103.8 (7) | 1.60 (1) | 2.59 (2) |  |
|  | $\mathrm{O}(17)$ | 110.0 (7) | 109.2 (7) | 106.1 (6) | 1.64 (1) |  |
| $\mathrm{Si}(3) \mathrm{O}_{4}$ tetrahedron |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Si(3) | $\mathrm{O}(8)$ | $\mathrm{O}(12)$ | $\mathrm{O}(17)$ | $\mathrm{O}(18)$ |  |
|  | $\mathrm{O}(8)$ | 1.61 (2) | 2.71 (2) | 2.60 (2) | 2.66 (2) |  |
|  | $\mathrm{O}(12)$ | 114.0 (7) | 1.62 (1) | 2.60 (2) | 2.62 (2) |  |
|  | $\mathrm{O}(17)$ | 109.3 (7) | 108.6 (7) | 1.58 (1) | 2.55 (2) |  |
|  | $\mathrm{O}(18)$ | 111.2 (7) | 107.9 (7) | 105.6 (6) | 1.62 (1) |  |
| $\mathrm{Si}(4) \mathrm{O}_{4}$ tetrahedron |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Si(4) | $\mathrm{O}(9)$ | $\mathrm{O}(13)$ | O(18) | $\mathrm{O}(19)$ |  |
|  | $\mathrm{O}(9)$ | 1.62 (2) | 2.72 (2) | 2.62 (2) | 2.60 (2) |  |
|  | $\mathrm{O}(13)$ | 114.6 (8) | 1.61 (2) | 2.65 (2) | 2.65 (2) |  |
|  | $\mathrm{O}(18)$ | 108.7 (8) | 110.7 (7) | 1.61 (1) | 2.60 (2) |  |
|  | $\mathrm{O}(19)$ | 106.3 (7) | 109.7 (7) | 106.5(7) | 1.63(1) |  |
| $\mathrm{Si}(5) \mathrm{O} 4$ tetrahedron |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\mathrm{Si}(5)$ | $\mathrm{O}(5)$ | O (6) | O(19) | O(20) |  |
|  | $\mathrm{O}(5)$ | 1.60 (2) | 2.66 (2) | 2.55 (2) | 2.64 (2) |  |
|  | O (6) | 111.8 (7) | 1.61 (2) | 2.60 (2) | 2.64 (2) |  |
|  | $\mathrm{O}(19)$ | 106.4 (7) | 108.3 (7) | 1.59 (1) | 2.58 (2) |  |
|  | $\mathrm{O}(20)$ | 111.5 (8) | 110.5 (8) | 108.1 (7) | 1.60 (1) |  |
| $\mathrm{Si}(6) \mathrm{O}_{4}$ tetrahedron |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Si(6) | $\mathrm{O}(10)$ | $\mathrm{O}(14)$ | O(20) | O(21) |  |
|  | $\mathrm{O}(10)$ | 1.60 (2) | 2.73 (2) | 2.61 (2) | 2.62 (2) |  |
|  | $\mathrm{O}(14)$ | 115.8 (8) | 1.62 (1) | 2.64 (2) | 2.61 (2) |  |
|  | $\mathrm{O}(20)$ | 108.1 (8) | 109.3 (7) | 1.62 (1) | 2.62 (2) |  |
|  | $\mathrm{O}(21)$ | 108.6 (8) | 106.8 (7) | 107.9 (7) | 1.63 (1) |  |
| $\mathrm{Cs}-\mathrm{O}$ distances |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\mathrm{O}(21)$ | O(15) | O(10) | O(11) | O(15) | O(21) |
| $\mathrm{Cs}(1)$ | 3.13 (1) | 3.15 (1) | 3.16 (2) | 3.23 (1) | 3.48 (1) | 3.50 (1) |
|  | $\mathrm{O}(12)$ | O(7) | O(17) | $\mathrm{O}(8)$ | $\mathrm{O}(4)$ |  |
| $\mathrm{Cs}(2)$ | 2.99 (1) | 3.08 (1) | 3.30 (1) | 3.32 (2) | 3.42 (1) |  |
|  | O(9) | O(5) | O(6) | $\mathrm{O}(19)$ |  |  |
| $\mathrm{Cs}(3)$ | 3.08 (2) | 3.10 (1) | 3.25 (1) | 3.37 (1) |  |  |

( $0.8 F_{o}$ max. $\left./ F_{o}\right)^{2}$ for $F_{o} \geq 0.8 F_{o}$ max.]. Refinements were made by varying 163 structural parameters including anisotropic Cs and Sb temperature factors, an overall scale factor and an extinction parameter, $g$, which refined to $1.00(8) \times 10^{-8}$. Results of the refinement for observed $F$ 's are: $R=0.044$ and $w R=$ $0.047,(\Delta / \sigma)_{\max }=0.01$. Neutral-atom scattering factors were taken from International Tables for X-ray Crystallography (1974, Vol. IV). The final electron density synthesis showed only random fluctuations about the heavy atoms ( $\Delta \rho=2.9,-3.3 \mathrm{e} \AA^{-3}$ ) and none of the peaks could be refined as additional atoms. Table 1* presents the final atomic coordinates and thermal parameters.

Discussion. The $\left[\mathrm{SbO}\left(\mathrm{SiO}_{3}\right)_{2}\right]^{-}$three-dimensional framework is characterized by chains of cornersharing $\mathrm{SbO}_{6}$ octahedra cross-linked with chains of corner-sharing $\mathrm{SiO}_{4}$ tetrahedra (Figs. 1 and 2). The chains of $\mathrm{SbO}_{6}$ octahedra run parallel to the $c$ axis. There are two types of chains. In the first, chains are built up from $\mathrm{Sb}(1) \mathrm{O}_{6}$ octahedra only and they are located at $x \simeq y \simeq 0$ and $x \simeq y \simeq \frac{1}{2}$, whereas in the second there are chains of alternate $\mathrm{Sb}(2) \mathrm{O}_{6}$ and $\mathrm{Sb}(3) \mathrm{O}_{6}$ octahedra, located at $x= \pm \frac{1}{3}, y=0$ and $x=$ $\pm \frac{1}{6}, y \simeq \frac{1}{2}$. The corrugated chains of $\mathrm{SiO}_{4}$ tetrahedra run parallel to the $a$ axis. They run along axes located at $y \simeq z \simeq \pm \frac{1}{4}$. The periodicity of these chains corresponds to $12 \mathrm{SiO}_{4}$ tetrahedra, i.e. twice the number of independent positions of Si atoms. The topology of the silicate anion (Fig. 1) may be described as 'unbranched' following the terminology of Liebau (1985) and written as $\left\{u B, 1_{\alpha}^{1}\right\}\left[{ }^{12} \mathrm{SiO}_{3}\right]$ (Liebau, 1985). The covalent framework delimits large tunnels running parallel to the $a$ axis (Fig. 2) and wherein Cs atoms are situated.

Selected bond distances and angles are given in Table 2. It can be seen from this table that all of the coordination polyhedra are consistent with previous knowledge of $\mathrm{Cs}, \mathrm{Sb}^{\vee}$ and silicate structural chemistry.
Owing to its structure $\mathrm{CsSbO}\left(\mathrm{SiO}_{3}\right)_{2}$ is a good candidate for ion-exchange reactions with smaller alkali ions. Preliminary experiments are promising and should lead to high alkali-ion mobility.

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