| $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{O}(2 A)$ | $119.4(2)$ | $\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $113.8(6)$ |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :---: |
| $\mathrm{O}(5)-\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{O}(2 A)$ | $106.1(2)$ | $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $112.9(7)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(1 A)-\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{O}(2 A)$ | $60.2(2)$ | $\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | $112.8(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(4)-\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{O}(3 A)$ | $70.8(2)$ | $\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{O}(4)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $93.0(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{O}(3 A)$ | $94.2(2)$ | $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{O}(1 A)$ | $109.1(10)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(5)-\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{O}(4 A)$ | $134.0(2)$ | $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $107.4(10)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(5)-\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{O}(5 A)$ | $180.0(1)$ | $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $108.8(7)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{C}(7 A)$ | $180.0(1)$ | $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $109.6(10)$ |
| $\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $117.1(6)$ | $\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{O}(5)$ | $64.1(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1 A)$ | $111.2(9)$ | $\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | $159.5(7)$ |
| $\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $113.2(6)$ | $\mathrm{O}(5)-\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | $119.3(9)$ |
| $\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $112.8(6)$ | $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(10)$ | $109.4(10)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | $113.1(9)$ | $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(11)$ | $113.0(11)$ |
| $\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{O}(5)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $93.1(7)$ | $\mathrm{C}(10)-\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(11)$ | $108.9(12)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{O}(3)$ | $119.4(2)$ | $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $110.4(8)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{O}(4)$ | $101.2(2)$ | $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $109.6(10)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{O}(4)$ | $109.2(2)$ | $\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{O}(4)$ | $63.1(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{O}(5)$ | $73.9(2)$ | $\mathrm{O}(4)-\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{O}(5)$ | $123.8(9)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(4)-\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{O}(5)$ | $46.0(2)$ | $\mathrm{O}(4)-\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | $116.9(7)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $94.0(2)$ | $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(9)$ | $108.7(9)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(4)-\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $23.9(2)$ | $\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(10)$ | $109.8(14)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{O}(1 A)$ | $180.0(1)$ | $\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(11)$ | $107.0(14)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{Ba}-\mathrm{O}(1 A)$ | $60.6(2)$ |  |  |

Structure solved by direct methods (SOLV) and refined by fullmatrix least squares. All non- H atoms anisotropic, all H -atom parameters assumed $[d(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H})=0.960 \AA$, fixed isotropic $U=$ $0.08 \AA^{2}$ ]. Calculations were performed using SHELXTL-Plus (Sheldrick, 1990).

Atomic coordinates and isotropic thermal parameters are given in Table 1, bond lengths and angles in Table 2.

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## 3,4,5-Trihydroxybenzohydroxamic Acid Monohydrate, a Ribonucleotide Reductase Inhibitor

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#### Abstract

The 3,4,5-trihydroxybenzohydroxamic acid molecule consists of two approximately planar parts: the hydrox-


amic acid moiety and the phenyl ring with the hydroxy substituents. These two planes are twisted relative to each other with a dihedral angle of 34.3 (1) ${ }^{\circ}$. The conformation of $\mathrm{O}=\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{O}$ is synperiplanar with a torsion angle of $-5.4(4)^{\circ}$. The crystal structure is stabilized by an intensive and complex pattern of hydrogen bonding, in which the water molecule plays a central role.

## Comment

The anticancer agent hydroxyurea exerts its ribonucleotide reductase (RNR) inhibitory activity by destroying the tyrosyl free radical in RNR, thereby leaving the enzyme inactive (Atkin, Thelander, Reichard \& Lang, 1973; Gräslund, Ehrenberg \& Thelander, 1982; Thelander, Gräslund \& Thelander, 1985; Howell, Sanders-Loehr, Loehr, Roseman, Mathews \& Slabaugh, 1992). In a search for anticancer drugs with the same target of action Elford, Wampler \& van't Riet (1979) tested a series of compounds including polyhydroxylated benzohydroxamic acids. 3,4Dihydroxybenzohydroxamic acid (3,4-OHBHA), 2,3,4trihydroxybenzohydroxamic acid ( $2,3,4-\mathrm{OHBHA}$ ) and 3,4,5-trihydroxybenzohydroxamic acid (3,4,5-OHBHA) were all found to have strong inhibitory activities on partially purified RNR from Novikoff hepatoma cells. These


3,4,5-OHBHA
compounds were found to have stronger inhibitory effects than hydroxyurea on the mammalian RNR (Elford, van't Riet, Wampler, Lin \& Elford, 1981), whereas the E. coli RNR and the phage T4 RNR were found to be more sensitive towards hydroxyurea than towards the polyhydroxylated benzohydroxamic acids (Kjøller Larsen, Sjöberg \& Thelander, 1982). In an early structure-activity study of hydroxyurea analogues using HeLa cells it was shown that an unsubstituted OH group at the N atom was required for activity (Young, Schochetman, Hodas \& Balis, 1967). On the other hand, Elford et al. (1979) found that polyhydroxylated benzamides and methyl benzoates were also inhibitors of RNR, indicating that in these compounds the hydroxamic acid moiety is not essential for RNR inhibitory activity. The polyhydroxylated aromatic part of the compounds seems to be the part interfering with the tyrosyl radical of the enzyme.

By testing a series of hydroxyurea analogues (Larsen, 1980; Kjøller Larsen et al., 1982) or polyhydroxybenzene derivatives (Elford et al., 1981) it has been found that the ability of a compound to undergo one-electron oxidation is correlated with its inhibitory activity towards RNR. In addition, the most potent inhibitors were approximately planar molecules. The crystal structure of the small sub-
unit of $E$. coli RNR, which is the subunit harbouring the tyrosyl free radical, has recently been solved (Nordlund, Sjöberg \& Eklund, 1990). No obvious pocket or cleft leading to the tyrosyl radical was found in the protein, and it is not yet known whether the hydroxyurea analogues interact directly with the free radical or by long-range electron transfer. Attempts at crystallization of enzyme-inhibitor complexes are in progress.

The structure of $3,4-\mathrm{OHBHA}$ has been determined previously (Due, Rasmussen \& Larsen, 1987) and the compound has been tested in both phase I (Veale et al., 1988) and phase II (Rubens et al., 1991) clinical trials. The structure of $3,4,5-\mathrm{OHBHA}$ was determined in order to compare it with those of salicylohydroxamic acid (2-OHBHA) and 3,4-OHBHA. Crystals of $2,3,4$-OHBHA suitable for Xray work have not yet been obtained.
The bond lengths and angles of $3,4,5-\mathrm{OHBHA}$ ( $\mathrm{Ta}-$ ble 2) are comparable to the values obtained for 3,4dihydroxybenzohydroxamic acid (Due et al., 1987) and 2-OHBHA (Larsen, 1978). The geometry of the benzene ring is regular. Slight distortions of the valence angles are observed at the hydroxy substituents $\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{O} 3$ and $\mathrm{C} 5-$ O5 (see Table 2). A similar distortion is seen in 3,4OHBHA where the $\mathrm{O} 4-\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{C} 5$ and $\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{O} 4$ angles are 123.51 (9) and 116.14 (8) ${ }^{\circ}$, respectively (Due et al., 1987).
The conformation of $\mathrm{O}=\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{O}$ is synperiplanar with a torsion angle of $-5.4(4)^{\circ}$. The same conformation is observed in 3,4-OHBHA (Due et al., 1987) and 2OHBHA (Larsen, 1978) in which the corresponding torsion angles are 10.7 (2) and $6.3(5)^{\circ}$, respectively, but hydroxamic acids may adopt a synperiplanar as well as an antiperiplanar conformation (Larsen, 1988).

The molecule consists of two approximately planar parts, the phenyl ring including the O -atom substituents and the hydroxamic acid moiety. The maximum deviation from the phenyl ring plane mentioned above is -0.031 (2) $\AA$ (the O 3 atom). Two of the hydroxy H atoms are situated near to the plane with distances of -0.06 (3) and $0.08 \AA$ for H 3 and $\mathrm{H} 4, \dagger$ respectively, whereas the distance of H 5 to the plane is 0.20 (4) $\AA$. The four atoms $\mathrm{C} 1, \mathrm{C} 7, \mathrm{O} 7$ and N 8 of the hydroxamic acid moiety constitute a plane. The distances of O 9 and H 8 to this plane are 0.116 (2) and 0.21 (4) $\AA$, respectively, and a slight degree of pyramidalization of N 8 is observed. The dihedral angle between the plane of the hydroxamic acid moiety and the phenyl ring is $34.3(1)^{\circ}$. The corresponding angles of $3,4-\mathrm{OHBHA}$ and $2-\mathrm{OHBHA}$ are 11.5 and $3.5^{\circ}$, respectively [calculated from parameters retrieved from the Cambridge Structural Database, January 1992 release (Allen et al., 1979)].

The polyhydroxylated benzohydroxamic acids are much more efficient inhibitors of RNR than are the mono-

[^0]hydroxylated derivative 2-OHBHA (Kjøller Larsen et al., 1982; Elford et al., 1981). 2-OHBHA is the most planar of the three componds, but has the lowest ability to undergo one-electron oxidation. The latter property is evidently the most important for effective inhibition of RNR.

The crystal structure is stabilized by a complex threedimensional pattern of hydrogen bonding in which the water molecule plays a central role (see Fig. 2 and Table 2). The phenyl rings are stacked along the $b$ axis. The hydrophilic parts of the $3,4,5$-OHBHA molecules are directed towards channels of water molecules forming hydrophilic layers parallel to the (101) crystal planes. The water molecule connects five $3,4,5-\mathrm{OHBHA}$ molecules through hydrogen bonding, being a donor in three and acceptor in two hydrogen bonds. $\mathrm{H} 102 \dagger$ forms a bifurcated hydrogen bond connecting two centrosymmetrically related molecules. Bifurcated hydrogen bonding is also observed for H 9 which interacts with O 9 as well as O10. Zigzag hydrogen bonding is formed along the $b$ axis by H 4 , tthus connecting two columns of centrosymmetrically related molecules. The hydrogen bonds O3$\mathrm{H} 3 \cdots \mathrm{O}$ and $\mathrm{N} 8-\mathrm{H} 8 \cdots \mathrm{O}$ further stabilize the structure along the $b$ axis. In addition to the complex and intensive intermolecular hydrogen bonding there is intramolecular hydrogen bonding: $\mathrm{O} 4-\mathrm{H} 4 \cdots \mathrm{O} 3$ and $\mathrm{O} 5-\mathrm{H} 5 \cdots \mathrm{O} 4$. Four non-bonded distances in hydrogen-bonding range ( $<3.15 \AA$ ) are observed between O atoms in the crystal packing (see Table 2).
$\dagger$ See previous footnote.


Fig. 1. Molecular structure of $3,4,5-\mathrm{OHBHA}$ (Johnson, 1976) showing the atom labelling. Atomic displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the $50 \%$ probability level for non-H atoms.


Fig. 2. Crystal packing of $3,4,5-\mathrm{OHBHA}$ with the hydrogen-bonding pattern shown with broken lines.

## Experimental <br> Crystal data

$\mathrm{C}_{7} \mathrm{H}_{7} \mathrm{NO}_{5} . \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$
$M_{r}=203.15$
Monoclinic
$P 2_{1} / n$
$a=11.5961$ (8) $\AA$
$b=3.6323$ (4) $\AA$
$c=18.531$ (1) $\AA$
$\beta=94.020$ (6)
$V=778.6(2) \AA^{3}$
$Z=4$
$D_{x}=1.733 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$
$\mathrm{Cu} K \alpha$ radiation
$\lambda=1.5418 \AA$
Data collection
Enraf-Nonius CAD-4
diffractometer
$\omega / 2 \theta$ scans
4298 measured reflections
1609 independent reflections
1231 observed reflections
[ $>5 \sigma$ ]
$R_{\text {int }}=0.022$
$\theta_{\text {max }}=75.00^{\circ}$

## Refinement

Refinement on $F$
Final $R=0.045$
$w R=0.064$
$S=2.091$
1231 reflections
155 parameters
All H -atom parameters refined except H 102 and H 4 for which both positional and displacement parameters were fixed
All H atoms were found in a difference Fourier map after refinement of positional and anisotropic displacement parameters for the non-H atoms. It was not possible to refine the positions of H 4 and H 102 . Refinement of the occupancy for H 102 was tried but was not successful. H 102 and H 4 were then fixed at the positions found in a difference Fourier map, calculated after refinement of all other parameters. Data reduction: BEGIN, SDP (B. A. Frenz \& Associates, Inc., 1982). Program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS86 (Sheldrick, 1990). Program(s) used to refine structure: LSFM, SDP (B. A. Frenz \& Associates, Inc., 1982). Molecular graphics: ORTEPII (Johnson, 1976).

Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic thermal parameters ( $\AA^{2}$ )

$$
B_{\mathrm{eq}}=4 / 3 \Sigma_{i} \Sigma_{j} \beta_{i j} \mathbf{a}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{a}_{j}
$$

|  |  | $y$ | $B_{\text {eq }}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| O3 | $0.4263(1)$ | $0.5576(6)$ | $0.37376(8)$ | $1.36(3)$ |
| O4 | $0.3993(1)$ | $0.2770(6)$ | $0.50631(9)$ | $1.43(3)$ |
| O5 | $0.1797(1)$ | $0.0761(5)$ | $0.54529(8)$ | $1.02(3)$ |

Cell parameters from 22 reflections
$\theta=39.91-46.17^{\circ}$
$\mu=1.2944 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$
$T=110 \mathrm{~K}$
Rectangular thin plates $0.40 \times 0.10 \times 0.04 \mathrm{~mm}$ Colourless
Crystal source: synthesized as described by van't
Riet et al. (1979); single crystals obtained by slow cooling of a hot aqueous solution
$h=-14 \rightarrow 14$
$k=-4 \rightarrow 4$
$l=-23 \rightarrow 23$
3 standard reflections monitored every 300 reflections
frequency: 166 min intensity variation: $-4.0 \%$
$w=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}(F)+(0.02 F)^{2}+2.00\right]$
$(\Delta / \sigma)_{\text {max }}=0.00$
$\Delta \rho_{\text {max }}=0.798 \mathrm{e}^{-3}$
$\Delta \rho_{\text {min }}=-0.819 \mathrm{e}^{-3}$
Atomic scattering factors from International Tables for X-ray Crystallography (1974, Vol. IV, Table 2.3.1)

| O7 | $0.0154(1)$ | $0.4181(5)$ | $0.24199(8)$ | $1.36(3)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| O9 | $-0.1831(1)$ | $0.6263(6)$ | $0.29423(9)$ | $1.57(3)$ |
| O10 | $0.3516(2)$ | $-0.2028(7)$ | $0.6358(1)$ | $3.58(4)$ |
| N8 | $-0.0858(2)$ | $0.5377(6)$ | $0.3390(1)$ | $1.17(3)$ |
| C1 | $0.1130(2)$ | $0.3939(6)$ | $0.3609(1)$ | $0.81(3)$ |
| C2 | $0.2219(2)$ | $0.4892(7)$ | $0.3395(1)$ | $0.92(4)$ |
| C3 | $0.3175(2)$ | $0.4545(7)$ | $0.3882(1)$ | $0.95(4)$ |
| C4 | $0.3057(2)$ | $0.3120(6)$ | $0.4573(1)$ | $0.90(4)$ |
| C5 | $0.1964(2)$ | $0.2138(6)$ | $0.4780(1)$ | $0.86(4)$ |
| C6 | $0.0999(2)$ | $0.2586(6)$ | $0.4302(1)$ | $0.92(4)$ |
| C7 | $0.0114(2)$ | $0.4496(6)$ | $0.3084(1)$ | $0.96(4)$ |

Table 2. Selected bond lengths $(\AA)$, bond angles $\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$, torsion angles $\left(^{\circ}\right)$, contact distances $(\AA)$ and hydrogen-bond

| geometry ( $\AA,{ }^{\circ}$ ) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C1-C2 |  | 1.394 (3) | O3-C3 |  | 1.361 (3) |
| C1-C6 |  | 1.394 (3) | O4-C4 |  | 1.371 (3) |
| C1-C7 |  | 1.489 (3) | O5-C5 |  | 1.371 (3) |
| C2-C3 |  | 1.386 (3) | O7-C7 |  | 1.240 (3) |
| C3-C4 |  | 1.398 (3) | N8-C7 |  | 1.336 (3) |
| C4-C5 |  | 1.396 (3) | O9-N8 |  | 1.390 (2) |
| C5-C6 |  | 1.386 (3) |  |  |  |
| C1-C2-C |  | 119.5 (2) | O3-C3-C4 |  | 115.8 (2) |
| C1-C6-C |  | 119.6 (2) | O4-C4-C3 |  | 121.1 (2) |
| C2-C1-C6 |  | 120.6 (2) | O4-C4-C5 |  | 119.2 (2) |
| C2-C1-C |  | 118.1 (2) | O5-C5-C6 |  | 117.8 (2) |
| C2-C3-C |  | 120.3 (2) | O5-C5-C4 |  | 122.1 (2) |
| C3-C4-C |  | 119.7 (2) | O7-C7-C1 |  | 123.6 (2) |
| C4-C5-C6 |  | 120.2 (2) | O7-C7-N8 |  | 122.4 (2) |
| C6-C1-C |  | 121.3 (2) | N8-C7-C1 |  | 114.1 (2) |
| O3-C3-C2 |  | 124.0 (2) | $\mathrm{O9}-\mathrm{N} 8-\mathrm{C} 7$ |  | 118.4 (2) |
| C2-Cl-C | 7-N8 | -147.3 (2) | H9-O9-N8-C7 |  | 123 (3) |
| O9-N8-C | 7-07 | -5.4 (4) |  |  |  |
| 09. . $09{ }^{\text {i }}$ | 2.835 (3) |  | 04. . 010 |  | 47 (3) |
| 03. . $04{ }^{\text {ii }}$ | 2.959 (2) |  | O9...O10 ${ }^{\text {iii }}$ |  | 05 (3) |
| D | H | $A$ | D. $\cdot$ A | H $\cdots$ A | $D-\mathrm{H} \cdot \cdots \cdot A$ |
| O3 | H3 | O7 ${ }^{\text {i }}$ | 2.641 (2) | 1.83 (3) | 162 (3) |
| O4 | H4 | 03 | 2.698 (2) | 2.22 | 115 |
| 04 | H4 | O4 ${ }^{\text {iv }}$ | 3.104 (3) | 2.74 | 107 |
| 04 | H4 | O4 ${ }^{\text {ii }}$ | 2.865 (3) | 2.15 | 139 |
| 05 | H5 | 04 | 2.792 (2) | 2.30 (3) | 112 (3) |
| 05 | H5 | 010 | 2.710 (3) | 1.82 (3) | 154 (3) |
| N8 | H8 | O5 ${ }^{\text {v }}$ | 2.842 (3) | 2.07 (3) | 146 (3) |
| O9 | H9 | O9 ${ }^{\text {vi }}$ | 2.835 (3) | 2.42 (4) | 112 (3) |
| 09 | H9 | $\mathrm{O} 10^{\text {vii }}$ | 2.867 (3) | 2.07 (4) | 163 (3) |
| O10 | H101 | O7 $7^{\text {viii }}$ | 2.834 (3) | 2.03 (4) | 163 (4) |
| 010 | H102 | O3 ${ }^{\text {iv }}$ | 2.896 (3) | 2.07 | 135 |
| O10 | H102 | $04^{\text {ix }}$ | 3.134 (3) | 2.34 | 133 |

Symmetry code: (i) $-x+0.5, y+0.5,-z+0.5$; (ii) $-x+1,-y+1,-z+1$; (iii) $x-0.5,-y+0.5, z-0.5$; (iv) $-x+1,-y,-z+1$; (v) $-x$, $-y+1,-z+1$ (vi) $-x-0.5, y-0.5,-z+0.5$ (vii) $-x,-y,-z+1$; (viii) $x+0.5,-y+0.5, z+0.5$; (ix) $x, y-1, z$.

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# Isopropylammonium Dihydrogenmonophosphate and Isopropylammonium Monohydrogenphosphite 

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#### Abstract

The atomic arrangements in isopropylammonium dihydrogenmonophosphate and isopropylammonium monohydrogenphosphite are described. In the phosphate, the


distances between the $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{PO}_{4}$ groups are rather short ( P $\mathrm{P}=4.238$ and $4.218 \AA$ ) so that these entities form (through strong hydrogen bonds) infinite $\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{PO}_{4}\right)_{n}$ chains parallel to the a direction. In spite of the significantly longer $(4.769 \AA) \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{P}$ distance, the $\left(\mathrm{HPO}_{3} \mathrm{H}\right)_{n}$ groups in the phosphite compound also form infinite chains running parallel to the a direction. In the phosphate derivative, linear arrays of the isopropylammonium groups spread parallel to the $\mathbf{c}$ direction, i.e. perpendicular to the phosphoric chain, while in the phosphite compound the arrays of the organic component and the phosphoric chains are parallel.

## Comment

Both arrangements are characterized principally by the existence of infinite phosphoric chains, $\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{PO}_{4}\right)_{n}$ for the phosphate and $\left(\mathrm{HPO}_{3} \mathrm{H}\right)_{n}$ in the case of the phosphite. In both structures, isopropylammonium groups are arranged in linear arrays, but the organization of these arrays relative to the phosphoric chains is fundamentally different in the two derivatives. In the phosphate, the phosphoric chains spread along the a direction, while the organic component arrays are parallel to the c direction. Fig. 1 shows the general organization of this arrangement projected along c. In contrast, both the $\left(\mathrm{HPO}_{3} \mathrm{H}\right)_{n}$ chains and the arrays of isopropylammonium groups in the phosphite compound are parallel to the a direction. In the phosphate, each $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{PO}_{4}$ group is connected to its two adjacent neighbours by relatively strong hydrogen bonds ( 2.567 and $2.631 \AA$ ) corresponding to $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{O}$ distances slightly longer than those observed inside the $\mathrm{PO}_{4}$ tetrahedron. The short $\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{P}$ distances observed in the chain (4.238 and $4.218 \AA$ ) are easily explained by the geometry of these hydrogen bonds. In the phosphite, the $\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{P}$ distance is significantly longer $(4.769 \AA)$ because the infinite $\left(\mathrm{HPO}_{3} \mathrm{H}\right)_{n}$ chain is more stretched, each $\mathrm{PO}_{3} \mathrm{H}$ tetrahedron being bonded to its two neighbours by only one hydrogen bond. Fig. 2 depicts the general organization of the phosphite derivative. Tables 2 and 4 give the main interatomic distances and bond angles in these two arrangements, includ-


Fig. 1. Projection along the $\mathbf{c}$ direction of the atomic arrangement of the phosphate compound. The hatched tetrahedra denote the $\mathrm{PO}_{4}$ groups. The open circles represent, in decreasing order of size, $\mathrm{N}, \mathrm{C}$ and H atoms. Inside the phosphoric chain, hydrogen bonds are represented by solid and dashed lines. The H atoms of the organic components have been omitted.


[^0]:    $\dagger$ The geometry of the hydrogen bonds involving H 4 and H 102 should be taken with reservation since the positions of these two H atoms were not refined (cf. Experimental).

