produced a comparable $T_{\text{max}}/T_{\text{min}}$ ratio. The structure was solved by Patterson methods and *DIRDIF*92 (Beurskens *et al.*, 1992). The position of the H atom was deduced from difference Fourier maps. Structure refinement was performed using *TEXSAN* (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1992). Graphics were produced using *ORTEP*II (Johnson, 1976) and *CHARON* (Lauher, 1989). All computations were performed on an IRIS INDIGO.

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KYP₄O₁₂

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Abstract

Potassium yttrium cyclotetraphosphate is isostructural with RbNdP₄O₁₂. The structure is built up from $P_4O_{12}^{4-}$ cyclotetraphosphate anions linked by YO₈ polyhedra to form a three-dimensional framework, which delimits intersecting tunnels in which the K⁺ ions are located. The P₄O₁₂ ring anion is centrosymmetric.

Comment

The cyclotetraphosphates corresponding to the general formula $M^{1}\text{LnP}_{4}O_{12}$ are well known (Hong, 1975*a,b*; Koizumi, 1976*a*; Koizumi & Nakano, 1978; Averbuch-Pouchot & Durif, 1983; Durif, Averbuch-Pouchot & Guitel, 1983). The compounds obtained for $M^{1} = K$ and Ln = Sm, $M^{1} = Rb$ and Ln = Nd, and $M^{1} =$ NH₄ and Ln = Pr and Nd, are isostructural (Ferid, Ariguib & Trabelsi, 1987; Koizumi & Nakano, 1977; Masse, Guitel & Durif, 1977). The title compound is isostructural with the compounds of this series. In the present work we report its chemical preparation and structural investigation.

This structure contains the centrosymmetrical cyclotetraphosphate ring anion P₄O₁₂⁴⁻. As shown in the projection onto the ab plane, the P₄O₁₂ rings form layers perpendicular to the c axis at z = 0 and 1/2. The YO₈ polyhedra interconnect the P₄O₁₂ rings to form a three-dimensional framework. This disposition creates intersecting tunnels in which the K atoms reside. All the K⁺ and Y³⁺ ions are located on twofold axes in the z = 1/4 and z = 3/4 planes. The coordination around the Y atom forms a lozenge antiprism which shares its two lozenge faces with two neighbouring KO₁₀ polyhedra. The YO₈ polyhedra are isolated from one another since they do not share any O atoms. This type of isolation appears responsible for the good fluorescence properties shown in lanthanide compounds, such as those of the series $M^{I}NdP_{4}O_{12}$ ($M^{I} = Li$, Na and K) (Otsuka, Miyazawa, Yamada, Iwasaki & Nakano, 1977; Chinn & Hong, 1975; Tsujimoto, Fukuda & Fukai, 1977; Tofield, Weber, Damen & Liao, 1975). The shortest Y...Y distance [5.978(1)Å] has a value between those of the corresponding Nd ··· Nd distances in NaNdP4O12 (5.719 Å) (Koizumi, 1976b) and RbNdP₄O₁₂ (6.129 Å). The structures of KYP2O7 (Hamady, Zid & Jouini, 1994) and the related compound RbYP2O7 (Akrim, Zambon, Metin & Cousseins, 1993) display shorter Y...Y distances of 5.423 and 5.30 Å, respectively. In the KO₁₀ polyhedron, the K-O distances exhibit a



 P_4O_{12} rings.

wide range (2.73-3.37 Å). The average value of 3.06 Å is slightly lower than that of 3.15 Å found for the analogous coordination of Rb in RbNdP4O12 (range 2.86–3.52 Å).

Experimental

The title compound was prepared by a flux method. At room temperature, 4 g of KH₂PO₄ and 0.5 g of Y₂O₃ were slowly added to 5 ml of monophosphoric acid (85%). The mixture was then slowly heated to 873 K and kept at this temperature for 24 h. Elongated irregular prisms of KYP₄O₁₂ were separated from the excess phosphoric flux by washing the product in boiling water.

Crystal data

KYP4O12	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$M_r = 443.89$	$\lambda = 0.71069 \text{ Å}$
Monoclinic	Cell parameters from 25
C2/c	reflections
a = 7.8067 (6) Å	$\theta = 14 - 16^{\circ}$
b = 12.3221 (10) Å	$\mu = 7.47 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
c = 10.4078(10) Å	T = 293 (2) K
$\beta = 111.174(7)^{\circ}$	Prism
$V = 933.59 (14) \text{ Å}^3$	$0.10 \times 0.05 \times 0.02$ mm
Z = 4	Colourless
$D_x = 3.158 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$	

Data collection

$R_{\rm int} = 0.0262$
$\theta_{\rm max} = 24.97^{\circ}$
$h = -9 \rightarrow 8$
$k = 0 \rightarrow 14$
$l = 0 \rightarrow 12$
2 standard reflections
frequency: 120 min
intensity decay: 1%

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.093$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.0264$	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.637 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
$wR(F^2) = 0.0648$	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.624 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
S = 1.138	Extinction correction: none
832 reflections	Atomic scattering factors
83 parameters	from International Tables
$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0358P)^2]$	for Crystallography (1992,
+ 2.2124 <i>P</i>]	Vol. C, Tables 4.2.6.8 and
where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$	6.1.1.4)

Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (Å²)

$$U_{\text{eq}} = (1/3) \sum_i \sum_j U_{ij} a_i^* a_j^* \mathbf{a}_i \cdot \mathbf{a}_j.$$

x	у	Ζ	U_{eq}
0.	0.11940 (4)	1/4	0.0064 (2)
0	0.1842(1)	3/4	0.0384 (5)
0.281 (1)	0.02344 (7)	0.05977 (9)	0.0068 (2)
0.4579(1)	0.17090 (7)	0.5033 (1)	0.0071 (2)
0.2198 (3)	0.0291 (2)	0.1775 (3)	0.0112 (6)
0.1462 (4)	0.0106 (2)	-0.0827 (3)	0.0115 (6)
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O(L1)	0.4017 (4)	0.1288 (2)	0.0663 (3)	0.0121 (6)
O(L2)	0.4317 (3)	0.0709 (2)	0.5897 (3)	0.0100 (6)
O(E21)	0.2880 (3)	0.1992 (2)	0.3863 (3)	0.0108 (6)
O(E22)	0.5560 (4)	0.2572 (2)	0.6020(3)	0.0123 (6)

Table 2. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °)

$Y = O(E22)^i$	2.315 (3)	K—O(E11) ⁱⁱⁱ	3.370 (3)
YO(E22) ⁱⁱ	2.316(3)	$K \rightarrow O(E11)^x$	3.370 (3)
YO(E12) ⁱⁱⁱ	2.338 (3)	P1—O(E11)	1.469 (3)
YO(E12) ^{iv}	2.338 (3)	P1O(E12)	1.484 (3)
$Y = O(E11)^{v}$	2.385 (3)	P1—O(L1)	1.592 (3)
YO(E11)	2.385 (3)	$P1 \rightarrow O(L2)^{xi}$	1.602 (3)
Y—O(E21)	2.394 (3)	P2—O(E21)	1.482 (3)
$Y = O(E21)^{v}$	2.394 (3)	P2—O(E22)	1.485 (3)
K—O(E12) ^{vi}	2.735 (3)	P2—O(L2)	1.582 (3)
$K \rightarrow O(E12)^{\vee}$	2.735 (3)	$P2-O(L1)^{xu}$	1.602 (3)
$K = O(L1)^{vii}$	2.914 (3)	P1···P2 ^{xi}	2.928 (1)
$K \rightarrow O(L1)^{i}$	2.914 (3)	$P1 \cdot \cdot \cdot P2^{xn}$	2.976 (1)
KO(E21) ^{vii}	2.917 (3)	Y···Y	5.978 (1)
$K \rightarrow O(E21)^i$	2.917 (3)	Y···Y ¹	6.165 (1)
K—O(E22) ^{viii}	3.367 (3)	Y · · · Y ^{xiii}	7.293 (1)
$K \rightarrow O(E22)^{ix}$	3.367 (3)		
O(E11)P1O(E12)	120.8 (2)	O(E21)-P2-O(L2)	112.94 (15)
O(E11)P1O(L1)	107.0 (2)	O(E22)-P2-O(L2)	107.72 (15)
O(E12)—P1—O(L1)	108.9 (2)	$O(E21)$ —P2— $O(L1)^{xii}$	105.08 (15)
$O(E11) - P1 - O(L2)^{xi}$	107.99 (15)	$O(E22) - P2 - O(L1)^{xii}$	106.1 (2)
$O(E12)$ P1 $O(L2)^{xi}$	108.83 (15)	$O(L2) - P2 - O(L1)^{xii}$	104.76 (14)
$O(L1) - P1 - O(L2)^{xi}$	101.63 (15)	$P1 - O(L1) - P2^{xii}$	137.4 (2)
O(E21)P2O(E22)	119.0 (2)	P2-O(L2)-P1 ^m	133.7 (2)
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Symmetry codes: (i) $\frac{1}{2} - x$, $\frac{1}{2} - y$, 1 - z; (ii) $x - \frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{2} - y$, $z - \frac{1}{2}$; (iii) $x, -y, \frac{1}{2} + z$; (iv) -x, -y, -z; (v) $-x, y, \frac{1}{2} - z$; (vi) x, y, 1 + z; (vii) $x - \frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{2} - y$, $\frac{1}{2} + z$; (viii) $1 - x, y, \frac{3}{2} - z$; (ix) x - 1, y, z; (x) -x, -y, 1-z; (xi) $x, -y, z - \frac{1}{2}$; (xii) $1-x, y, \frac{1}{2} - z$; (xiii) $\frac{1}{2} + x, \frac{1}{2} + y, z$.

Data were corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects. No absorption correction was applied as the crystal dimensions are very small (μr is only 0.21).

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Caesium–Lithium Phyllosilicate, Cs_{1.33}Li_{0.67}Si₂O₅

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Abstract

The crystal structure of a (Cs,Li) phyllosilicate with composition $Cs_{1.33}Li_{0.67}Si_2O_5$ has been characterized by a single-crystal X-ray diffraction study. Its silica sheet is exceedingly tortuous with a four-eighttwelve-membered ring topology and a large variation in bridging-oxygen number density in the sheet, thus differing from the six-membered ring topology of Li phyllosilicate and the four-eight-membered ring topology in Cs and Rb phyllosilicate. The title compound lacks the characteristic sandwich structure of sheet silicates. It resembles a three-dimensional network in which Si atoms are replaced by strictly threefold O-coordinated Li atoms which form flat sheets at ca y = 0 and $y = \frac{1}{2}$ with seven- to twelvefold O-coordinated Cs atoms between the silica-lithium sheets at $y = \frac{1}{4}$ and $y = \frac{3}{4}$. The Cs atoms recur in two types of honeycomb tunnels parallel to the b axis.

Comment

As part of a study on alkali phyllosilicates and the effect of sheet tortuosity on ²⁹Si MASNMR chemical shifts, we have prepared transparent colourless (Cs,Li) phyllosilicate crystals from a Li₂O.Cs₂O.4SiO₂ glass. The chemical composition of the crystals is Cs_{1.33}Li_{0.67}Si₂O₅, indicating incongruent precipitation. The crystals are not markedly hygroscopic and none of the special measures needed to prevent Cs phyllosilicate from decomposing is required.

The title compound exhibits a new structure type with extreme tortuosity of the silica sheet (Fig. 1). The individual chains (*i.e.* -Si6'-Si1-Si2-Si3-Si4-Si5-Si6-Si1''-) which make up the sheets are 'sechser chains' according to the Liebau (1985) classification, the overall classification of the silica sheet being an unbranched sechser single layer. Each Si atom is bonded with two bridging O atoms, O(br), in the chain direction, connecting the individual chains into a sheet. The interchain O(br)



Fig. 1. Projections of the sheet structure of $Cs_{1.33}Li_{0.67}Si_2O_5$. The *sechser* chain is indicated in black. Top: silica sheet. A similar sheet, generated by the twofold screw axis along **b**, completes the unit-cell contents. Bottom: the chicken-wire Li-silicate sheet.

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