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## Refinement of $\text{CaBa}_2(\text{HPO}_4)_2(\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4)_2$

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## Abstract

The structural model proposed previously for calcium dibarium bis(hydrogenphosphate) bis(dihydrogenphosphate) from X-ray powder data is confirmed by the present single-crystal study. The structure consists of infinite  $[\text{Ca}(\text{HPO}_4)_2(\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4)_2]$  anionic chains built up from  $\text{CaO}_6$ ,  $\text{HPO}_4$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4$  polyhedra linked via  $\text{Ca—O—P}$  bonds. These chains are held together by nine-coordinate  $\text{Ba}^{2+}$  cations. A two-dimensional network of hydrogen bonds contributes to the linkage of these chains.

## Comment

The alkaline earth phosphates  $M_3(\text{PO}_4)_2$ ,  $\text{MHPO}_4$  and  $M(\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4)_2$  ( $M = \text{Mg}, \text{Ca}, \text{Sr}$  or  $\text{Ba}$ ) have been studied extensively for their applications in different areas. Mixed alkaline earth phosphates,  $M_2M'(\text{PO}_4)_2$ , have also been studied. However, to our knowledge, there is very scant information on mixed alkaline earth hydrogenphosphates.

Our research efforts have focused on synthesizing new compounds of mixed alkaline earth phosphates. The title compound has recently been prepared and its structure based on X-ray powder diffraction data has been reported (Toumi *et al.*, 1997), but no attempt was made to locate the H atoms. Nevertheless, some hydrogen bonds were suggested on the basis of  $\text{O} \cdots \text{O}$  contacts. Using hydrothermal synthesis, we have successfully obtained single crystals of this compound in order to refine the structure, including the hydrogen-bond system.

The structure of  $\text{CaBa}_2(\text{HPO}_4)_2(\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4)_2$  is shown in Fig. 1. It consists of infinite chains of corner-sharing  $\text{CaO}_6$  octahedra and  $\text{H}_2\text{P1O}_4$  and  $\text{HP2O}_4$  tetrahedra running along the  $a$  axis. Each  $\text{CaO}_6$  centre is bridged to its neighbours by two pairs of P2 groups; thus, the  $\text{Ca—Ca}$  linkage is via  $\text{Ca—O—P—O—Ca}$  bonds. The two remaining *trans* corners of the octahedron, O4, are shared with two P1 groups. The polyhedral connectivity leads to infinite  $[\text{Ca}(\text{HPO}_4)_2(\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4)_2]$  anionic chains. These chains are crosslinked by the  $\text{Ba}^{2+}$  cations. Further linkages are provided by hydrogen bonds.

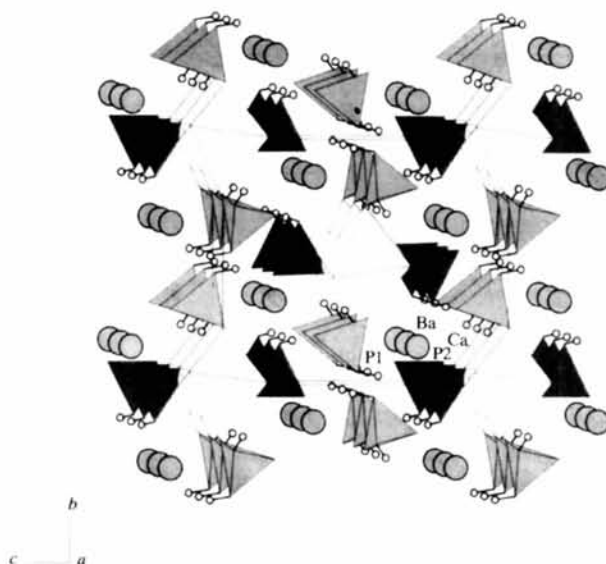


Fig. 1. Polyhedral view of the structure of  $\text{CaBa}_2(\text{HPO}_4)_2(\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4)_2$ .  $\text{Ba}^{2+}$  ions and H atoms are represented by spheres of arbitrary radii.

The  $\text{Ba}^{2+}$  ion is coordinated to nine O atoms located within 3.1 Å. These  $\text{BaO}_9$  polyhedra are connected via atoms O7 to form infinite strings running along the  $a$

axis. One barium polyhedron shares two edges, O7–O8 and O5–O7<sup>iv</sup> [Table 1; symmetry code: (iv) 1 + x, y, z], with two P2 tetrahedra, an O6 corner with another P2, and the corners O1, O2, O3 and O4 with four P1 tetrahedra. The irregular geometry has  $d_{av} = 2.880(3) \text{ \AA}$  for Ba–O, which is close to the distances reported for similar compounds (Toumi *et al.*, 1997; Harrison *et al.*, 1995). The Ca ion located on an inversion centre has a rather regular octahedral coordination, with Ca–O distances ranging from 2.285(3) Å to 2.368(3) Å and O–Ca–O angles varying from 84.44(10) to 90.68(10)°. The CaO<sub>6</sub> octahedron shares two O5–O8 edges with two adjacent BaO<sub>9</sub> polyhedra and the remaining two corners, O4, with two other BaO<sub>9</sub> polyhedra. The geometrical features of the two distinct phosphorus groups are quite regular. For P1,  $d_{av} = 1.544(3) \text{ \AA}$  for P–O, with the longest distances, P1–O1 1.583(3) and P1–O3 1.576(3) Å, corresponding to the P–O(H) bonds and with  $\theta_{av} = 109.3(6)^\circ$  for O–P–O. For P2,  $d_{av} = 1.538(3) \text{ \AA}$  for P–O, with the longest distance, P–O 1.586(3) Å, corresponding to the protonated oxygen O6 and with  $\theta_{av} = 109.4(6)^\circ$  for O–P–O.

With regard to the hydrogen-bond system, all three H atoms in the title compound are involved in hydrogen bonds linking the two kinds of phosphorus tetrahedra, P1 and P2 (Fig. 2). There is a distribution of three donor (O–H) and three acceptor (O··H) functions between HPO<sub>4</sub> ( $D + 2A$ ) and H<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> ( $2D + A$ ). Here, we find the same connectivity as observed in K(HSO<sub>4</sub>)(H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>) (Kemnitz *et al.*, 1996): a P1 unit is linked by two strong hydrogen bonds [O3··O7<sup>iv</sup> 2.507(4) and O2··O6<sup>ix</sup> 2.613(4) Å; symmetry code: (ix) –x, –y, 1–z] to the two adjacent P2 units and *vice versa*, resulting in hydrogen-bonded tetramers (2P1 + 2P2). Each of these tetramers is located on an inversion centre, thus

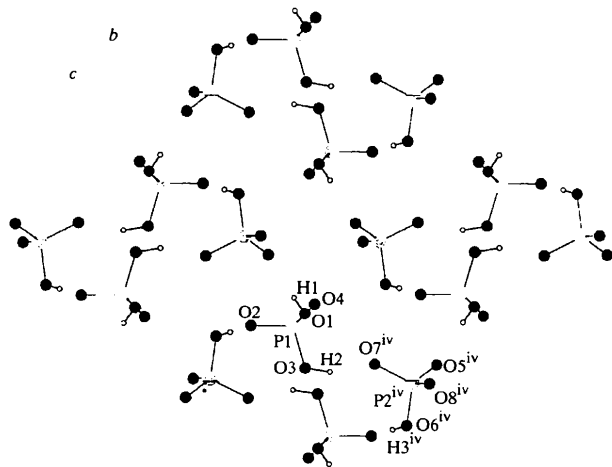


Fig. 2. The hydrogen-bonding system in CaBa<sub>2</sub>(HPO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> [symmetry code: (iv) 1 + x, y, z].

comprising two independent tetrahedra. Each tetramer is connected to its four neighbours by four hydrogen bonds [O1··O5<sup>x</sup> 2.666(4) Å; symmetry code: (x) 1 + x,  $\frac{1}{2} - y$ ,  $\frac{1}{2} + z$ ], resulting in an infinite two-dimensional hydrogen-bonding network. We also note that there is no hydrogen-bond connection between two adjacent nets.

## Experimental

Single crystals of CaBa<sub>2</sub>(HPO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> were prepared by hydrothermal synthesis. A mixture of calcium carbonate (98.5%), barium carbonate (99.5%), phosphoric acid (85%) and distilled water in a Ca–Ba–P–H<sub>2</sub>O molar ratio of 1:2:6:164 (pH = 3) was placed in a Teflon-lined autoclave, which was approximately 80% full. The autoclave was heated to 453 K for 8 d and then cooled slowly to room temperature over a period of 24 h. Numerous transparent needle-shaped crystals were filtered off, washed with distilled water and air dried.

### Crystal data

CaBa<sub>2</sub>(HPO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>  
 $M_r = 700.69$   
 Monoclinic  
 $P2_1/c$   
 $a = 5.4902(7) \text{ \AA}$   
 $b = 10.2004(12) \text{ \AA}$   
 $c = 12.373(3) \text{ \AA}$   
 $\beta = 100.783(14)^\circ$   
 $V = 680.7(2) \text{ \AA}^3$   
 $Z = 2$   
 $D_x = 3.419 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$   
 $D_m$  not measured

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
 $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$   
 Cell parameters from 25 reflections  
 $\theta = 11\text{--}14^\circ$   
 $\mu = 6.685 \text{ mm}^{-1}$   
 $T = 293(2) \text{ K}$   
 Needle  
 $0.04 \times 0.02 \times 0.02 \text{ mm}$   
 Colourless

### Data collection

Enraf–Nonius CAD-4  
 diffractometer  
 $\omega/2\theta$  scans  
 Absorption correction:  
 $\psi$  scan (North *et al.*, 1968)  
 $T_{min} = 0.851$ ,  $T_{max} = 0.887$   
 1625 measured reflections  
 1473 independent reflections  
 1198 reflections with  
 $I > 2\sigma(I)$

$R_{int} = 0.024$   
 $\theta_{max} = 26.97^\circ$   
 $h = 0 \rightarrow 7$   
 $k = 0 \rightarrow 13$   
 $l = -15 \rightarrow 15$   
 1 standard reflection  
 frequency: 120 min  
 intensity decay: 0.1%

### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.020$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.043$   
 $S = 1.119$   
 1473 reflections  
 119 parameters  
 H atoms refined  
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0101P)^2 + 0.5948P]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$

$\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.572 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.653 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$   
 Extinction correction:  
 SHELXL93 (Sheldrick, 1993)  
 Extinction coefficient:  
 0.0002(2)  
 Scattering factors from  
 International Tables for  
 Crystallography (Vol. C)

Table 1. Selected geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ )

|   |             |                       |             |
|---|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| Ba—O2 <sup>i</sup>                      | 2.679 (3)   | Ca—O5 <sup>v</sup>    | 2.368 (3)   |
| Ba—O6 <sup>i</sup>                      | 2.750 (3)   | Ca—O5 <sup>viii</sup> | 2.368 (3)   |
| Ba—O3 <sup>iii</sup>                    | 2.815 (3)   | P1—O2                 | 1.506 (3)   |
| Ba—O4 <sup>iv</sup>                     | 2.828 (3)   | P1—O4                 | 1.510 (3)   |
| Ba—O7 <sup>v</sup>                      | 2.892 (3)   | P1—O3                 | 1.576 (3)   |
| Ba—O1                                   | 2.912 (3)   | P1—O1                 | 1.583 (3)   |
| Ba—O7                                   | 2.948 (3)   | O3—H2                 | 0.90 (4)    |
| Ba—O8                                   | 3.029 (3)   | O1—H1                 | 0.75 (3)    |
| Ba—O5 <sup>v</sup>                      | 3.065 (3)   | P2—O8                 | 1.510 (3)   |
| Ca—O8 <sup>vi</sup>                     | 2.285 (3)   | P2—O7                 | 1.525 (3)   |
| Ca—O8                                   | 2.285 (3)   | P2—O5                 | 1.531 (3)   |
| Ca—O4 <sup>vii</sup>                    | 2.363 (3)   | P2—O6                 | 1.586 (3)   |
| Ca—O4 <sup>i</sup>                      | 2.363 (3)   | O6—H3                 | 0.88 (4)    |
| O8 <sup>vi</sup> —Ca—O8                 | 180.0       | O2—P1—O1              | 109.63 (15) |
| O8—Ca—O4 <sup>vii</sup>                 | 90.68 (10)  | O4—P1—O1              | 110.7 (2)   |
| O4 <sup>vii</sup> —Ca—O4 <sup>i</sup>   | 180.0       | O3—P1—O1              | 103.0 (2)   |
| O4 <sup>i</sup> —Ca—O5 <sup>v</sup>     | 84.53 (9)   | O8—P2—O7              | 112.0 (2)   |
| O8 <sup>vi</sup> —Ca—O5 <sup>viii</sup> | 84.44 (10)  | O8—P2—O5              | 114.1 (2)   |
| O5 <sup>v</sup> —Ca—O5 <sup>viii</sup>  | 180.0       | O7—P2—O5              | 108.5 (2)   |
| O2—P1—O4                                | 116.2 (2)   | O8—P2—O6              | 104.8 (2)   |
| O2—P1—O3                                | 106.3 (2)   | O7—P2—O6              | 108.69 (15) |
| O4—P1—O3                                | 110.15 (15) | O5—P2—O6              | 108.6 (2)   |

Symmetry codes: (i)  $x - 1, \frac{1}{2} - y, z - \frac{1}{2}$ ; (ii)  $-x, \frac{1}{2} + y, \frac{1}{2} - z$ ; (iii)  $1 - x, -y, 1 - z$ ; (iv)  $x - 1, y, z$ ; (v)  $1 + x, y, z$ ; (vi)  $-x, -y, -z$ ; (vii)  $1 - x, y - \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} - z$ ; (viii)  $-1 - x, -y, -z$ .

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