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# Poly[(acetone)tetraaqua[ $\mu_{6}$-ethyl (dichloromethylene)diphosphonato][ $\mu_{5}$-ethyl (dichloromethylene)diphosphonato]tribarium(II)] 

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The novel title compound, $\left[\mathrm{Ba}_{3}\left(\mathrm{C}_{3} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{Cl}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{6} \mathrm{P}_{2}\right)_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{3} \mathrm{H}_{6} \mathrm{O}\right)\right.$ $\left.\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{4}\right]_{n}$, has a polymeric two-dimensional network structure which lies parallel to the $(10 \overline{1})$ plane. The asymmetric unit consists of three independent $\mathrm{Ba}^{2+}$ ions, two of them eightcoordinated and the third nine-coordinated, and two independent ethyl (dichloromethylene)diphosphonate(3-) ligands, one acetone ligand and four aqua ligands. The coordination environments around the $\mathrm{BaO}_{8}$ polyhedra are best described as bicapped trigonal prismatic, while the $\mathrm{BaO}_{9}$ polyhedron is in a distorted tricapped trigonal prismatic geometry. The two diphosphonate ligands adopt different coordination modes. Both ligands chelate three metal cations, but one is coordinated to six metal cations in total and forms two six-membered and one four-membered chelate ring, while the other is coordinated to five metal cations in total and forms one six-membered and two four-membered chelate rings, the fifth unsubstituted O atom remaining uncoordinated.

## Comment

Diphosphonic acids have attracted close attention because of their utility in supramolecular chemistry and crystal engineering (Clearfield et al., 2001; Fu et al., 2007). Usually, metal diphosphonates form polymeric materials and microporous solids, with properties that offer a diversity of practical applications in catalysis, ion-exchange and sorption (Clearfield, 1998, and references therein; Fu et al., 2007; Serre et al., 2006). Clodronate [(dichloromethylene)diphosphonate or $\left.\mathrm{Cl}_{2} \mathrm{MBP}\right]$ is one of the best documented diphosphonates since it is widely used in therapeutics (Russell, 2007; Rodan \& Martin, 2000). Several metal diphosphonate complexes are known where the diphosphonate ligand is fully ionic, but studies of the complexation of their ester derivatives are limited. The introduction of these ester substituents on
phosphorus groups can result in novel structures of metal diphosphonates and produce interesting functionalities. However, of the numerous metal phosphonate compounds now known, only a small number have been prepared with alkali earth metals.

(I)

In earlier work, we developed a method for the preparation of partial amide esters of $\mathrm{Cl}_{2} \mathrm{MBP}$ (Jokiniemi et al., 2006) and a novel synthesis for partial phenyl esters of $\mathrm{Cl}_{2} \mathrm{MBP}$ (Jokiniemi et al., 2009). Several metal complexes of amide ester derivatives of clodronic acid have been reported by our group (Jokiniemi et al., 2007, 2008). We have also succeeded in preparing new Cd complexes with monophenyl, asymmetric diphenyl and monoethyl ester ligands of $\mathrm{Cl}_{2} \mathrm{MBP}$, and these will be reported shortly (Jokiniemi et al., 2009).

In this work, using the monoethyl ester anion of $\mathrm{Cl}_{2} \mathrm{MBP}$, we obtained the title novel layered Ba diphosphonate complex, (I), whose structure is different from the structures reported for other metal complexes of ester derivatives of $\mathrm{Cl}_{2} \mathrm{MBP}$.

The asymmetric unit of (I) consists of three crystallographically independent $\mathrm{Ba}^{2+}$ ions, two independent ethyl (dichloromethylene)diphosphonate(3-) ligands, one acetone molecule and four aqua ligands. As shown in Fig. 1, there are two coordination modes for the $\left(\mathrm{Cl}_{2} \mathrm{CP}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{6} \mathrm{Et}\right)^{3-}$ ligands. The methylenediphosphonate ligand containing atoms P 1 and P 2 is coordinated to six $\mathrm{Ba}^{2+}$ cations through five O atoms, forming two six-membered chelate rings with atoms Ba 1 and Ba 3 , while atom P 1 forms a four-membered chelate ring with adjacent atom $\mathrm{Ba} 3 C$ [symmetry code: (C) $\frac{1}{2}-x, \frac{1}{2}+y, \frac{1}{2}-z$ ]. The methylenediphosphonate ligand containing atoms P3 and P 4 is coordinated to five $\mathrm{Ba}^{2+}$ cations through four O atoms, forming a six-membered chelate ring with atom Ba 2 , while atom P3 forms two four-membered chelate rings with atoms $\mathrm{Ba} 1 A$ [symmetry code: $(A)-x, 1-y,-z$ ] and $\mathrm{Ba} 3 C$. Thus, atom O42 of the phosphonate group containing atom P4 remains uncoordinated but is involved in hydrogen bonding. In both methylenediphosphonate ligands, two O atoms (O13/ O 22 and $\mathrm{O} 32 / \mathrm{O} 33$ ) act as monoatomic bridges between two Ba atoms, and one O atom ( O 11 and O 31 ) is coordinated simultaneously to three Ba atoms ( $\mathrm{Ba} 1, \mathrm{Ba} 2$ and $\mathrm{Ba} 3 C$ ). The $\mathrm{Ba} 1 \cdots \mathrm{Ba} 3 C$ contact of 4.1404 (8) $\AA$ is shorter than the sum of the van der Waals radii of Ba ( $4.28 \AA$; Guo \& Zhang, 2008; Srinivasan et al., 2007), indicating weak metal-to-metal interaction.


Figure 1
The structure of the asymmetric unit of (I), expanded to show relevant symmetry-related atoms, with the atomic numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the $50 \%$ probability level and H atoms are shown as small spheres of arbitrary radii. Atoms labelled with the suffixes $A-E$ are at the symmetry postitions $(-x, 1-y,-z),\left(\frac{1}{2}-x, y-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}-z\right)$, $\left(\frac{1}{2}-x, \frac{1}{2}+y, \frac{1}{2}-z\right),\left(\frac{1}{2}+x, \frac{1}{2}-y, \frac{1}{2}+z\right)$ and $\left(x-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}-y, z-\frac{1}{2}\right)$, respectively.

Both atoms Ba 1 and Ba 2 are eight-coordinated in a distorted bicapped trigonal prismatic geometry. The coordination environment around atom Ba 1 consists of five phosphonate O atoms from three different methylenediphosphonate ligands and three aqua ligands. The $\mathrm{Ba} 1-\mathrm{O}$ bond distances range from 2.692 (3) to 2.889 (3) A (Table 1). Aqua ligands O 2 and O 3 bridge atom Ba 1 to adjacent atoms Ba 2 and $\mathrm{Ba} 3 E$ [symmetry code: $(E) x-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}-y, z-\frac{1}{2}$ ], with a $\mathrm{Ba} 1 \cdots \mathrm{Ba} 2$ distance of 4.301 (1) $\AA$ and a $\mathrm{Ba} 1 \cdots \mathrm{Ba} 3 E$ distance of 4.502 (2) $\AA$. The coordination environment around atom Ba 2 consists of five phosphonate O atoms from four different methylenediphosphonate ligands, two bridging aqua ligands and one acetone ligand. The $\mathrm{Ba} 2-\mathrm{O}$ bond distances vary more widely, from 2.637 (3) to 3.226 (3) $\AA$, compared with those involving atoms Ba 1 and Ba 3 . Atom Ba 3 is nine-coordinated in a distorted tricapped trigonal prismatic geometry. The coordination sites around the metal centre are occupied by seven phosphonate $O$ atoms from five different methylenediphosphonate ligands, and two bridging aqua ligands. The $\mathrm{Ba} 3-\mathrm{O}$ bond distances range from 2.642 (3) to 3.023 (3) Å.

The infinite two-dimensional network of (I) can be thought of as formed through phosphonate atoms O12, O22 and O13, which link the Ba 2 and Ba 3 centres by acting as mono- and triatomic bridges. The O 4 aqua ligand bridges atoms Ba 2 and $\mathrm{Ba} 3[\mathrm{Ba} 2 \cdots \mathrm{Ba} 3=4.385$ (1) $\AA$ A $]$ and is involved in forming the two-dimensional polymeric structure lying parallel to the (101̄) plane (Fig. 2). As presented in Fig. 3, the Cl atoms and ethyl groups point away from the layers, with an interlayer distance of 14.5492 (4) $\AA$.

The layered structure of (I) is stabilized by intralayer hydrogen bonds involving all the aqua ligands and coordi-


Figure 2
The two-dimensional network of (I), viewed along the $a$ axis. Dashed lines indicate hydrogen bonds. Ethyl groups and acetone molecules have been omitted for clarity.


Figure 3
The packing of the layers of (I) parallel to the $(10 \overline{1})$ plane, viewed along the $b$ axis. H atoms have been omitted for clarity.
nated phosphonate O atoms (O12, O21, O32 and O41), and noncoordinated phosphonate atom O42 (Table 2, wherein the following symmetry codes are defined). Aqua ligands O1 and $\mathrm{O} 4^{\mathrm{ii}}$ donate H atoms to phosphonate atoms $\mathrm{O} 12^{\mathrm{ii}}$ and O 21 , respectively, thereby closing a $\mathrm{Ba} 1-\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 B \cdots \mathrm{O} 12^{\mathrm{ii}}-$ $\mathrm{Ba} 3^{\mathrm{ii}}-\mathrm{O} 4^{\mathrm{ii}}-\mathrm{H} 4 A^{\mathrm{ii} \ldots \mathrm{O} 21-\mathrm{Ba} 1 \text { ring, which has a graph-set }}$ motif of $R_{2}^{2}(8)$ (Bernstein et al., 1995). The O1 aqua ligand is also involved in hydrogen bonds with phosphonate atom O41 and aqua ligand $\mathrm{O}^{\mathrm{v}}$, which results in two further ring motifs, viz. $S(4)(\mathrm{Ba} 2-\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 A \cdots \mathrm{O} 41-\mathrm{Ba} 2)$ and $R_{2}^{2}(6)\left(\mathrm{Ba} 3^{\mathrm{ii}}-\right.$ $\left.\mathrm{O} 2^{\mathrm{v}}-\mathrm{H} 2 A^{\mathrm{v}} \cdots \mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 B \cdots \mathrm{O} 12^{\mathrm{ii}}-\mathrm{Ba} 3^{\mathrm{ii}}\right)$. As aqua ligand O 2 is involved in hydrogen bonding with atom O 42 , which further acts as an acceptor for two other H atoms of aqua ligands $\mathrm{O}^{\mathrm{v}}$ and $\mathrm{O}^{\text {vi }}$ [symmetry code: (vi) $x-\frac{1}{2},-y+\frac{1}{2}, z-\frac{1}{2}$ ], a hydrogenbonding network with several combined rings is formed.

## Experimental

The title compound was crystallized by the gel method. The starting materials $\mathrm{Na}_{3} \mathrm{Cl}_{2} \mathrm{CP}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{6} \mathrm{Et}(10 \mathrm{mg}, 0.030 \mathrm{mmol})$ and $\mathrm{BaCl}_{2} \cdot 2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ $(7.2 \mathrm{mg}, 0.030 \mathrm{mmol})$ were dissolved separately in water $(0.45 \mathrm{ml})$ and mixed, and tetramethoxysilane ( 0.1 ml ) was added. The two-phase system was shaken until homogeneous. After gel formation, a precipitant, acetone ( 1 ml ), was added above the gel to induce crystallization. Several months later, plate-like colourless crystals of (I) suitable for X-ray analysis had formed above the gel. Crystals suitable

Table 1
Selected bond lengths ( $\AA$ ).

| Ba1-O21 | 2.692 (3) | $\mathrm{Ba} 2-\mathrm{O} 31$ | 2.833 (3) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ba1-O11 | 2.721 (3) | Ba2-O4 | 3.036 (4) |
| $\mathrm{Ba} 1-\mathrm{O} 31$ | 2.724 (3) | Ba2-O1 | 3.226 (3) |
| $\mathrm{Ba} 1-\mathrm{O} 32{ }^{\text {i }}$ | 2.731 (3) | $\mathrm{Ba} 3-\mathrm{O} 12$ | 2.642 (3) |
| Ba1-O3 | 2.748 (4) | Ba3-O33 ${ }^{\text {iv }}$ | 2.654 (3) |
| Ba1-O1 | 2.817 (3) | Ba3-O22 | 2.709 (3) |
| $\mathrm{Ba} 1-\mathrm{O} 2$ | 2.842 (3) | Ba3-O32 ${ }^{\text {ii }}$ | 2.772 (3) |
| $\mathrm{Ba} 1-\mathrm{O} 33^{\text {i }}$ | 2.889 (3) | Ba3-O13 ${ }^{\text {ii }}$ | 2.873 (3) |
| $\mathrm{Ba} 2-\mathrm{O} 13^{\text {ii }}$ | 2.637 (3) | Ba3-O4 | 2.892 (3) |
| Ba2-O41 | 2.723 (3) | $\mathrm{Ba} 3-\mathrm{O} 2^{\text {iv }}$ | 2.903 (3) |
| Ba2-O11 | 2.777 (3) | Ba3-O11 ${ }^{\text {ii }}$ | 2.910 (3) |
| $\mathrm{Ba} 2-\mathrm{O} 22^{\text {iii }}$ | 2.793 (3) | Ba3-O31 ${ }^{\text {ii }}$ | 3.023 (3) |
| Ba2-O5 | 2.818 (5) |  |  |

for X-ray diffraction analysis were separated from the gel on a watchglass under a microscope, washed with pure precipitant and dried in air.

## Crystal data

| $\left[\mathrm{Ba}_{3}\left(\mathrm{C}_{3} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{Cl}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{6} \mathrm{P}_{2}\right)_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{3} \mathrm{H}_{6} \mathrm{O}\right)-\right.$ |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\left.\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{4}\right]$ | $V=109.32(3)^{\circ}$ |
| $M_{r}=1081.98$ | $Z=4$ |
| Monoclinic, $P 2_{1} / n$ | Mo $K \alpha$ radiation |
| $a=16.635(3) \AA$ | $\mu=4.52 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$ |
| $b=9.814(2) \AA$ | $T=150 \mathrm{~K}$ |
| $c=19.495(4) \AA$ | $0.25 \times 0.10 \times 0.05 \mathrm{~mm}$ |

## Data collection

Nonius KappaCCD area-detector diffractometer
Absorption correction: multi-scan
(XPREP in SHELXTL;
Sheldrick, 2008)
$T_{\text {min }}=0.550, T_{\text {max }}=0.805$

## Refinement

$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.029$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.081$
$S=1.07$
5887 reflections
346 parameters

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \beta=109.32(3)^{\circ} \\
& V=3003.5(10) \AA^{3} \\
& Z=4 \\
& \text { Mo } K \alpha \text { radiation } \\
& \mu=4.52 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1} \\
& T=150 \mathrm{~K} \\
& 0.25 \times 0.10 \times 0.05 \mathrm{~mm}
\end{aligned}
$$

## 41896 measured reflections

5887 independent reflections 5446 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$ $R_{\text {int }}=0.041$

H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement
$\Delta \rho_{\max }=2.99 \mathrm{e}^{-3}$
$\Delta \rho_{\min }=-0.92 \mathrm{e}_{\AA^{-3}}$

C -bound H atoms were placed in calculated positions and refined using the riding-model approximation, with $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}=0.96 \AA$ and $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=1.5 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{C})$ for methyl H atoms, and $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H} 0.97 \AA$ and $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=1.2 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{C})$ for methylene H atoms. Water H atoms were located in a difference Fourier map and treated as riding, with $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H}=0.83-0.86 \AA$, and their isotropic displacement parameters were refined. The C atoms of the coordinated acetone molecule and ethyl substituent (C4, C5 and C22) all have relatively high thermal motion, indicating disorder in the methyl groups. However, no residual electron density suitable for a split-atom model was found. The highest peak ( $2.99 \mathrm{e}^{\AA^{-3}}$ ) in the difference Fourier map is located $0.75 \AA$ from atom H3B and the deepest hole $\left(-0.92 \mathrm{e}^{\AA^{-3}}\right)$ is located 0.88 Å from Ba1.

Data collection: COLLECT (Nonius, 1997); cell refinement: DENZOISCALEPACK (Otwinowski \& Minor, 1997); data reduc-

Table 2
Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\AA^{\circ}{ }^{\circ}$ ).

| $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H}$ | $\mathrm{H} \cdots \cdot$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 A \cdots \mathrm{O} 41$ | 0.86 | 2.02 | 2.798 (5) | 150 |
| $\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 B \cdots \mathrm{O} 2^{\text {ii }}$ | 0.85 | 1.85 | 2.697 (4) | 173 |
| $\mathrm{O} 2-\mathrm{H} 2 \mathrm{~B} \cdots \mathrm{O} 42$ | 0.83 | 1.99 | 2.813 (5) | 172 |
| $\mathrm{O} 2-\mathrm{H} 2 A \cdots \mathrm{O}{ }^{\text {v }}$ | 0.84 | 2.07 | 2.886 (5) | 163 |
| $\mathrm{O} 3-\mathrm{H} 3 A \cdots \mathrm{O} 42^{\mathrm{v}}$ | 0.85 | 2.11 | 2.796 (6) | 137 |
| $\mathrm{O} 3-\mathrm{H} 3 \mathrm{~B} \cdots \mathrm{O} 32^{\mathrm{i}}$ | 0.85 | 2.58 | 3.034 (6) | 114 |
| $\mathrm{O} 4-\mathrm{H} 4 A \cdots \mathrm{O} 21^{\text {iii }}$ | 0.85 | 1.96 | 2.806 (5) | 170 |
| $\mathrm{O} 4-\mathrm{H} 4 \mathrm{~B} \cdots \mathrm{O} 42^{\text {iv }}$ | 0.85 | 2.28 | 2.957 (5) | 137 |

Symmetry codes: (i) $-x,-y+1,-z$; (ii) $-x+\frac{1}{2}, y-\frac{1}{2},-z+\frac{1}{2}$; (iii) $-x+\frac{1}{2}, y+\frac{1}{2},-z+\frac{1}{2}$; (iv) $x+\frac{1}{2},-y+\frac{1}{2}, z+\frac{1}{2}$; (v) $-x,-y,-z$.
tion: DENZO/SCALEPACK; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: DIAMOND (Brandenburg, 2005); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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