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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 168 KMean σ (W–O) = 0.012 Å H-atom completeness 0% Disorder in solvent or counterion R factor = 0.051 wR factor = 0.128 Data-to-parameter ratio = 28.5

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Decaammonium dodecatungstate nonahydrate, $(NH_4)_{10}[H_2W_{12}O_{42}] \cdot 9H_2O$: anionic 'isomorphism'

The title salt crystallizes in an almost identical cell to that of $(NH_4)_6[H_6W_{12}O_{42}]\cdot 10H_2O$ [Averbuch-Pouchot, Tordjman, Durif & Guitel (1979). Acta Cryst. B35, 1675-1677]. While the centrosymmetric anion coordinates are isomorphous, refinement confirms the different ammonium cation and water content, even though the H atoms cannot be unambiguously determined.

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Comment

The title compound, (I), was prepared as a by-product while attempting to use aniline as an organic amine inter-layer spacer molecule for new inorganic oxide-layered compounds. The crystal structure comprises $[H_2W_{12}O_{42}]^{10-}$ anions (Fig. 1) bound in an infinite three-dimensional network through hydrogen bonding with NH₄⁺ cations and water molecules. There are at least 42 contacts between the anion O atoms, amine N atoms and water O atoms within normal hydrogenbonding distances, e.g. O22···O2W 2.76 (2) Å.



The two independent anions in the asymmetric unit are centrosymmetric and are essentially identical (truly isomorphous) with those in (NH₄)₆[H₆W₁₂O₄₂]·10H₂O (Averbuch-Pouchot et al., 1979, hereafter AVEPOU). The final cell composition is inferred from the consistency of the refined displacement parameters of the water O atoms and ammonium cation N atoms, the analytical data, and the proximity of cations to each other, since the positions of the H atoms cannot be determined unambiguously in the presence of the W atoms. The atom-numbering scheme for the anions follows that in AVEPOU, with the coordinates transformed into one asymmetric unit. The cell volume here is slightly larger $[2542 (2) \text{ Å}^3 \text{ at } 168 \text{ K compared with } 2540 \text{ Å}^3 \text{ at } 293 \text{ K for}$

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AVEPOU], as expected from the greater total number of cations and water molecules. Other structures found in the Cambridge Structural Database [Allen & Kennard, 1993; Conquest (CCDC, 2002)] containing the same $[H_2W_{12}O_{42}]^{10-1}$ anion are the closely related (NH₄)₁₀[H₂W₁₂O₄₂]·10H₂O, which crystallizes in space group Pbca, as reported by Allmann (1971), and a decasodium diglycine salt (Naruke et al., 2000). A summary of the expected geometry of the anions is given in the paper reporting $Na_{10}[H_2W_{12}O_{42}] \cdot 20H_2O$ (Evans & Rollins, 1976). The internally self-consistent range of W–O distances is indicated in Table 1 by those found for W1.

A larger crystal from another preparation was also examined; it had a slightly smaller cell [2510 (1) Å³ at 168 K], but the diffraction data were not as good, with an internal agreement R_{int} of 0.068, and the subsequent refinement was less stable. The isomorphism of the anion coordinates reported here with those in the six-cation structure AVEPOU suggests that this larger crystal could be made up of plate-like twins, possibly with variable cation/water composition.

Experimental

The compound was prepared as a by-product of the reaction of H_2WO_4 with aniline in an ammonia (0.1 N) solution and recrystallized from water [N content calculated for $(H_{60}N_{10}O_{51}W_{12})$, 4.35%; found 4.33%].

Z = 2

 $D_x = 4.211 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$

Cell parameters from 8000

Mo Ka radiation

reflections

 $\mu = 26.20 \text{ mm}^{-1}$

Plate, colourless

 $0.44 \times 0.14 \times 0.06 \text{ mm}$

T = 168 (2) K

 $\theta = 2.3 - 26.3^{\circ}$

Crystal data

$(NH_4)_{10}[H_2W_{12}O_{42}].9H_2O$
$M_r = 3222.78$
Triclinic, P1
a = 11.945 (4) Å
b = 13.225 (5) Å
c = 16.780 (6) Å
$\alpha = 76.159(5)^{\circ}$
$\beta = 80.985 \ (5)^{\circ}$
$\gamma = 88.763 \ (5)^{\circ}$
$V = 2541.6 (15) \text{ Å}^3$
Data collection

10192 independent reflections
7208 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
$R_{\rm int} = 0.047$
$\theta_{\rm max} = 26.5^{\circ}$
$h = -14 \rightarrow 14$
$k = -16 \rightarrow 16$
$l = -20 \rightarrow 20$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0765P)^2]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.051$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$wR(F^2) = 0.128$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$
S = 0.99	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 6.04 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$
10192 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -5.45 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
357 parameters	

Table 1

Selected interatomic distances (Å).

W1-O38	1.764 (12)	W1-O37	2.168 (10)
W1-O34	1.768 (12)	W1-O1	2.258 (12)
$W1-O10^i$	1.874 (12)	W6-O1	2.400 (12)
W1-O35	1.947 (12)		

Symmetry code: (i) 1 - x, 2 - y, 1 - z.



Figure 1

The molecular structure of one of the two independent $[H_2W_{12}O_{42}]^{10-1}$ anions. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level (Farrugia, 1997) and labels for centrosymmetrically related atoms have been omitted.

No H atoms were included in the refinement. One disordered water O atom (O9WA) was refined over two sites with final occupancies 0.52 (3)/0.48 (3) and a common U value of 0.045 (6) $Å^2$. The largest residual electron-density peak was located 0.99 Å from W6 and the deepest hole 1.07 Å from W7.

Data collection: SMART (Siemens, 1996); cell refinement: SMART; data reduction: SAINT (Siemens, 1996) and SADABS (Sheldrick, 1996); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: ORTEP-3 in WinGX (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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