

Reinvestigation of $\text{KMg}_{1/3}\text{Nb}_{2/3}\text{OPO}_4$ ¹Artem A. Babaryk,^{a*} Vladimir Bon,^b Igor V. Zatovsky,^a
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; $T = 293$ K; mean $\sigma(\text{P}-\text{O}) = 0.004$ Å; disorder in main residue; R factor = 0.025; wR factor = 0.055; data-to-parameter ratio = 9.7.

The crystal structure of potassium magnesium niobium oxide phosphate, $\text{KMg}_{1/3}\text{Nb}_{2/3}\text{OPO}_4$, which was described in the space group $P4_322$ [McCarron & Calabrese, (1993). *J. Solid State Chem.* **102**, 354–361], has been redetermined in the revised space group $P4_1$. Accordingly, the assignment of the space group $P4_322$ and, therefore, localization of K at a single half-occupied position, as noted in the previous study, proved to be an artifact. As a consequence, two major and two minor positions of K are observed due to the splitting along $[001]$, as first noted for KTiOPO_4 structure analogues. It has been shown that the geometry of the $\{\text{M}^{\text{II}}_{1/3}\text{Nb}_{2/3}\text{O}_{6/2}\}_\infty$ framework is almost unaffected by the lowering of symmetry.

Related literature

For the previous study of the title compound, see: McCarron & Calabrese (1993). For K-splitting in KTiOPO_4 (KTP) isostructures, see: Belokoneva *et al.* (1997); Streltsov *et al.* (1998); Delarue *et al.* (1999); Nordborg (2000); Norberg & Ishizawa (2005) and in Nb-substituted KTP, see: Alekseeva *et al.* (2003); Dudka *et al.* (2005). For tetragonal aliovalent analogues related to KTiOPO_4 , see: Peuchert *et al.* (1995); Babaryk *et al.* (2007b). For the relationship between the crystal symmetry class and non-zero $\chi^{(2)}$ coefficients, see: Authier (2003); Babaryk *et al.* (2007a). For method used to determine the absolute structure, see: Flack & Bernardinelli (2000).

Experimental

Crystal data

 $\text{K}_{0.96}(\text{Mg}_{0.32}\text{Nb}_{0.68}\text{O})(\text{PO}_4)$ $a = 6.5261$ (1) Å
 $M_r = 219.46$ $c = 10.8427$ (4) Å
Tetragonal, $P4_1$ $V = 461.79$ (2) Å³ $Z = 4$
Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 $\mu = 3.02$ mm⁻¹ $T = 293$ K
 $0.3 \times 0.3 \times 0.3$ mm

Data collection

Bruker APEXII diffractometer 2467 measured reflections
Absorption correction: multi-scan 1036 independent reflections
[SORTAV (Blessing, 1995) and 1020 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
SADABS (Bruker, 2007)] $R_{\text{int}} = 0.017$
 $T_{\text{min}} = 0.603$, $T_{\text{max}} = 0.746$

Refinement

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.025$ $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.62$ e Å⁻³
 $wR(F^2) = 0.055$ $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.54$ e Å⁻³
 $S = 1.20$ Absolute structure: Flack (1983),
1036 reflections 336 Friedel pairs
107 parameters Flack parameter: 0.08 (10)
3 restraints

Table 1

Comparison of bond lengths and angles (Å, °).

	This work	McCarron & Calabrese (1993)
P1–O1	1.531 (5)	1.533 (3)
P1–O2 ⁱ	1.541 (5)	1.540 (3)
Mg(Nb)1–O1 ⁱⁱⁱ	2.116 (5)	2.124 (3)
Mg(Nb)1–O3	2.059 (3)	2.069 (3)
Mg(Nb)1–O5 ⁱⁱⁱ	1.888 (4)	1.890 (1)
O1–P1–O3	110.9 (2)	111.5 (1)
O3–P1–O2 ⁱ	108.0 (2)	107.9 (2)
O5–Mg(Nb)1–O1 ⁱⁱⁱ	173.55 (14)	173.4 (1)
O5–Mg(Nb)1–O2 ⁱⁱⁱ	173.74 (14)	173.4 (1)
O4–Mg(Nb)1–O3	163.53 (10)	163.1 (2)

Symmetry codes: (i) $-y + 2, x, z + \frac{1}{4}$; (iii) $-y + 1, x, z + \frac{1}{4}$.

Data collection: APEX2 (Bruker, 2007); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2007); data reduction: SAINT, and Blessing (1987, 1989); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: XP in SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 2008) and SLANT PLANE in WinGX (Farrugia, 1999); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL.

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Comment

Originally $\text{KMg}_{1/3}\text{Nb}_{2/3}\text{PO}_5$ was described by McCarron III & Calabrese (1993) who determined that it crystallized in non-polar space group $P4_322$ (95) chosen on the assumption of the almost zero-order experimental value of second harmonic response (SHG) relatively to $\alpha\text{-SiO}_2$ as standard. The asymmetric part of the unit cell consists of one $\text{Mg}(\text{Nb})(.2)$, $\text{P1}(.2)$ and $\text{O1}(.2)$ possessing the two-fold axes while K1 occupies a general position with $q=0.5$. O2 , O3 are full-occupied. K1 is distant from its equivalent position ($y, x, 1/4-z$) at 1.582 (7) Å. Also the authors reported about the absolute configuration assignment based on exceptionally on $\Delta R_w(F)=0.15$ as criterion. The title compound can be described as $\{\text{Mg}_{1/3}\text{Nb}_{2/3}\text{O}_{6/2}\}_\infty$ mutually perpendicular octahedral chains running along the principal crystal axes. $\text{PO}_{4/2}$ tetrahedra link $\{\text{Mg}_{1/3}\text{Nb}_{2/3}\text{O}_{6/2}\}_2$ fragments of adjacent chains via the common O vertices. K atoms reside in the tunnel cavities of the anionic framework parallel to the [001] direction. However, indication of non-zero SHG value contradicts the assignment of 422 space groups, which have nil components of the $\chi^{(2)}$ -tensor (see Authier *et al.*, 2003). An attempt to revise this model was done earlier (Babaryk *et al.*, 2007a) for Mn- and Co-containing isostructural compounds leading to lower symmetry lattices [space group $P4_1$ (76) or $P4_3$ (78), depending on the Flack parameter] where K1 (4a) and K2 (4a) positions were treated as independent.

This work aims to unify the description of all isostructural series of $\text{KM}^{\text{II}}_{1/3}\text{Nb}_{2/3}\text{OPO}_4$ ($M = \text{Mg}, \text{Mn}, \text{Co}$) based on a K-split structural model. Improvements brought by this model were tested on Mg-containing isostructure of the series.

Unlike the previous work, all refinements were carried out on F^2_{obs} , the absolute structure of the title compound was estimated on the basis of the Flack parameter with the TWIN/BASF instruction (Sheldrick, 2008) by sparse-matrix least squares (Flack & Bernardinelli, 2000). The initial coordinates were taken from the Babaryk *et al.*, (2007a). The initial ratio of Mg and Nb occupancies was fixed at the ideal value 1/2 while occupancies of $\text{K}(1)$ and $\text{K}(2)$ were free and refined to the following convergence parameters: $R = 0.038$, $wR = 0.082$, $S = 1.113$ and residual electron densities $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}}/\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = 1.41/-0.86 \text{ e } \text{Å}^3$ [$\sigma(\Delta\rho) = 0.14 \text{ e } \text{Å}^3$]. The highest observed peak ($1.41 \text{ e } \text{Å}^3$) is distant from 0.92 Å from K1 and the lowest one at a distance of 0.27 Å from $\text{K}(2)$ (Fig. 1a,c) and corresponds to splitting along the c-axis that was earlier shown (Norberg *et al.*, 2005) for KTiOPO_4 only in a case of synchrotron radiation experiments. In the modified model occupancies of K atoms were set of 0.25 equally and further refinement was performed with linear restraints on the occupancies to fit the charge balance. The refinement converged to $R = 0.026$, $wR = 0.055$, $S = 1.195$ and residual electron densities $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}}/\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = 0.62/-0.54 \text{ e } \text{Å}^3$ [$\sigma(\Delta\rho) = 0.11 \text{ e } \text{Å}^3$] (Fig. 1 b,d). Comparison of result obtained on the previously reported model tested on the same dataset lead to less satisfactory results $R = 0.043$, $wR = 0.095$, $S = 1.112$ and $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}}/\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = 1.23/-0.88 \text{ e } \text{Å}^3$ [$\sigma(\Delta\rho) = 0.19 \text{ e } \text{Å}^3$] in $P4_122$ (93) [Flack parameter $x = 0.8$ (10)]. The highest peak ($1.23 \text{ e } \text{Å}^3$) observed on the (F_o-F_c) -map distant from K1 at 0.95 Å.

The asymmetric and cell units are shown on the Fig. 2 and 3.

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The comparison of P—O and Mg/Nb—O bond length and angles (Table 1) produce rather comparable values in this study and previous ones, thus, the geometry of $\{M^{II}_{1/3}Nb_{2/3}O_{6/2}\}_\infty$ is almost not affected by the lowering of symmetry. The major differences between the previously reported and this investigation are concerned with K-splitting phenomena. To the best of our knowledge this is the first example among tetragonal KTP-analogues (Peuchert *et al.*, 1995; Babaryk *et al.*, 2007b) where it is observed. K-splitting phenomena for KTiOPO₄ family of compounds is intensively studied over the last decade. Examples of splitting at room temperature for KTP-isostructures become more evident, *verbi causa*, RbSbOGeO₄ (Belokoneva *et al.*, 1997), RbTiOAsO₄ (Streltsov *et al.*, 2000), CsTiOAsO₄ (Nordborg, 2000), KTiOPO₄ (Norberg & Ishizawa, 2005) using synchrotron irradiation experiments. In case X-ray study of KTP such splitting was found only upon heating at 673 and 973 K (Delarue *et al.*, 1999). Insert of 7–11% at. of Nb into KTP allow to introduce the cation-split model for refinement and, noteworthy, occupation of minor K-position growth with increasing Nb-content in KTiOPO₄ (Alekseeva *et al.*, 2003). Recent precision investigation (30 K) of 7% at. Nb-doped KTP crystals (Dudka *et al.*, 2005) showed K distribution over the split position is almost identical to results obtained at room temperature. Thus, it is likely to introduce the K-split model for refinement of Nb-containing KTP analogues as well as it was applied above.

The final distribution of K over the positions K1A/K1B is equiproportional to K1B/K2B ones that are of ca. 7/3. The arrangement of K atoms is almost symmetrical, the distance between major K1A and minor K1B positions is 0.70 (2) Å that is almost equal to 0.69 (3) Å K(2A)—K(2B) separation. The distance between major K1A and K2A positions is something larger [1.729 (8) Å] in counterpart of 1.21 (3) Å between K1B and K2B, while corresponding cross-distances are equal to 1.58 (3) Å. The discrepancies between the coordination of major positions K1A, K2A and minor K1B and K2B is also observed in this study similar to that reported earlier (Norberg & Ishizawa, 2005). Both K1A and K2A atoms formed eight K—O contacts (Fig. 4a) according to a scheme [2+6]: two of them are in a range of 2.592 (7)–2.713 (7) Å corresponding to ionic-covalent type and six are longer ones within the limits 2.862 (1)–3.138 (1) Å demonstrating ionic bonding type. In counterpart to this each K1B and K2B are closed with seven O atoms (Fig. 4b), three of them are being short [2.572 (1)–2.784 (2) Å], other three ones are longer [2.96 (3)–3.26 (4) Å]. The seventh contact is distinguished by the value of 3.37 (3) Å so it is hardly side with others.

One can conclude that the cation sublattice arrangement is similar either for KTP isostructures or its aliovalent analogues, however a measure of K-splitting "strength" depends on the charge of the polyvalent metal constituent.

Experimental

For preparation of the title compound 1.072 (1) g of KPO₃, 0.122 (1) g of MgO, 0.806 (1) g of Nb₂O₅ and 10.000 (1) g of K₂Mo₂O₇ were mixed together and well grounded in an agate mortar. All the reagents were of analytical grade purity. The mixture was melted in a 50 ml platinum crucible at 1273 K. Melted solution was cooled at a rate 20 K×h⁻¹ up to 1133 (5) K. Crystalline precipitate was freed from the liquid flux by decantation. The crystals were washed from the rest of the solidified component with hot 5%—aqueous (NaPO₃)_x. Crystalline phase consists of well-shaped colourless biaxial crystals (with size distribution from 0.2 to 0.4 mm of length) in major unless the rear pale-red prismatic crystals of K_{5+x}Nb_{8-x}Mg_xP₅O₃₄ (unpublished results). It is likely to obtain pure compound at more slow cooling of the initial melt.

Evaluation of the elements quantities was performed on an X-ray fluorescence energy dispersive spectrometer Elvax Light and established Mo presence at a level of 0.01% at., which has not been taken into account at the structure refinements. Exact compositions of title compound was found using a Spectroflame Modula ICP instrument. Analysis found: K, 12.12;

Mg, 4.11; Nb, 8.57; P, 12.60; O, 63.94; Mo, 0.06%. $K_{0.96}Mg_{0.32}Nb_{0.68}PO_5$ requires: K, 12.06; Mg, 4.02; Nb, 8.54; P, 12.56; O, 62.81%.

Figures

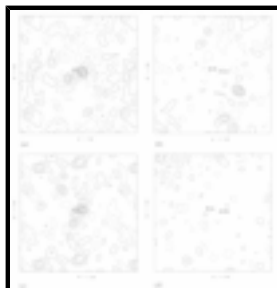


Fig. 1. Comparison of difference Fourier maps through the K1 and K2 sites accounting (a, c) and without (b, d) the K-splitting. Contour intervals are 0.015 e/A³. The contours are drawn solid (positive) and dashed (negative) lines, respectively. Map scope is 4×4 Å.

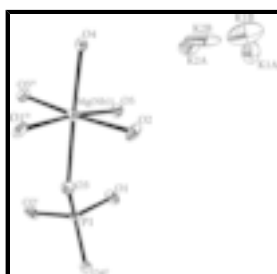


Fig. 2. View of the the asymmetric unit. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. [Symmetry codes: (i) $-y+2, x, z+1/4$ (ii) $x+1, y, z$; (iii) $-y+1, x, z+1/4$].

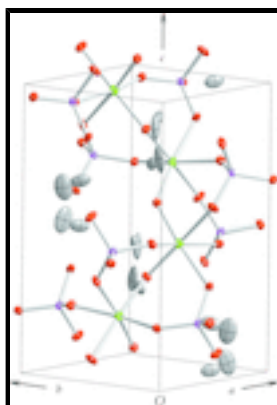


Fig. 3. View of the the cell unit. Colour codes: oxygen is red, magnesium and niobium are green, phosphorus is purple, potassium is grey.

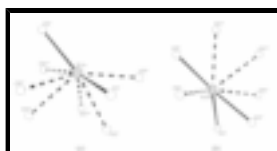


Fig. 4. Oxygen cages of K1A (a) and K1B (b). Short and long K–O contact are showed as solid lines and dashed lines, respectively. [Symmetry codes: (iv) $y-1, -x+1, z-1/4$; (v) $y, -x+2, z-1/4$; (vi) $-x+1, -y+2, z-1/2$; (vii) $-x+1, -y+1, z-1/2$; (viii) $-y+1, x, z-3/4$; (ix) $y, -x+1, z-1/4$]

potassium magnesium niobium oxide phosphate

Crystal data

$K_{0.96}(Mg_{0.32}Nb_{0.68}O)(PO_4)$

$M_r = 219.46$

Tetragonal, $P4_1$

Hall symbol: $P\ 4w$

$a = 6.5261(1)$ Å

$D_x = 3.158$ Mg m⁻³

Mo $K\alpha$ radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å

Cell parameters from 2061 reflections

$\theta = 3.1\text{--}30.6^\circ$

$\mu = 3.02$ mm⁻¹

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$c = 10.8427(4) \text{ \AA}$	$T = 293 \text{ K}$
$V = 461.79(2) \text{ \AA}^3$	Block, colourless
$Z = 4$	$0.3 \times 0.3 \times 0.3 \text{ mm}$
$F(000) = 420.4$	

Data collection

Bruker APEXII diffractometer	1036 independent reflections
Radiation source: sealed x-ray tube	1020 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
graphite	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.017$
φ or ω oscillation scans	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 30.0^\circ$, $\theta_{\text{min}} = 3.1^\circ$
Absorption correction: multi-scan [SORTAV (Blessing, 1995) and SADABS (Bruker, 2007)]	$h = -8 \rightarrow 5$
$T_{\text{min}} = 0.603$, $T_{\text{max}} = 0.746$	$k = -9 \rightarrow 5$
2467 measured reflections	$l = -7 \rightarrow 15$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map
Least-squares matrix: full	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + 1.2901P]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.025$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$wR(F^2) = 0.055$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$
$S = 1.20$	$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.62 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
1036 reflections	$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.54 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
107 parameters	Extinction correction: SHELXL
3 restraints	Extinction coefficient: 0.0115 (15)
Primary atom site location: isomorphous structure methods	Absolute structure: Flack (1983), 336 Friedel pairs
	Flack parameter: 0.08 (10)

Special details

Geometry. All esds (except the esd in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell esds are taken into account individually in the estimation of esds in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between esds in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell esds is used for estimating esds involving l.s. planes.

Refinement. Refinement of F^2 against ALL reflections. The weighted R -factor wR and goodness of fit S are based on F^2 , conventional R -factors R are based on F , with F set to zero for negative F^2 . The threshold expression of $F^2 > \sigma(F^2)$ is used only for calculating R -factors(gt) etc. and is not relevant to the choice of reflections for refinement. R -factors based on F^2 are statistically about twice as large as those based on F , and R -factors based on ALL data will be even larger.

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (\AA^2)

	x	y	z	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$	Occ. (<1)
O1	0.9717 (6)	0.5139 (5)	0.8485 (5)	0.0163 (9)	

O2	0.5141 (5)	0.9718 (6)	0.8260 (5)	0.0169 (10)	
O3	0.8102 (4)	0.7859 (4)	0.9827 (3)	0.0144 (7)	
O4	0.1898 (4)	0.7865 (4)	0.9406 (3)	0.0133 (7)	
O5	0.5433 (5)	0.5429 (5)	0.8361 (4)	0.0132 (6)	
P1	1.00000 (13)	0.65145 (13)	0.96154 (16)	0.01016 (19)	
K1A	0.2428 (18)	0.7800 (11)	0.5076 (6)	0.034 (3)	0.344 (17)
K1B	0.155 (4)	0.827 (2)	0.531 (3)	0.056 (7)	0.148 (16)
K2A	0.2198 (14)	0.758 (2)	0.6659 (7)	0.034 (3)	0.332 (19)
K2B	0.173 (3)	0.844 (5)	0.642 (3)	0.054 (7)	0.140 (18)
Mg1	0.49981 (6)	0.74099 (6)	0.96157 (9)	0.01355 (13)	0.3214 (12)
Nb1	0.49981 (6)	0.74099 (6)	0.96157 (9)	0.01355 (13)	0.6786 (12)

Atomic displacement parameters (\AA^2)

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
O1	0.0156 (15)	0.0163 (18)	0.017 (2)	0.0044 (12)	-0.0035 (17)	-0.0086 (13)
O2	0.0172 (19)	0.0154 (15)	0.018 (2)	0.0050 (12)	0.0065 (14)	0.0085 (17)
O3	0.0125 (12)	0.0158 (12)	0.015 (2)	0.0014 (10)	0.0002 (14)	-0.0028 (13)
O4	0.0126 (12)	0.0154 (12)	0.012 (2)	-0.0010 (10)	0.0003 (13)	0.0015 (13)
O5	0.0132 (14)	0.0124 (14)	0.0139 (13)	-0.0007 (8)	0.0017 (14)	-0.0026 (14)
P1	0.0071 (3)	0.0133 (4)	0.0101 (4)	0.0002 (3)	-0.0020 (4)	-0.0003 (5)
K1A	0.049 (5)	0.027 (2)	0.026 (3)	-0.022 (3)	-0.007 (2)	0.0018 (18)
K1B	0.044 (9)	0.019 (5)	0.10 (2)	-0.019 (5)	0.019 (10)	-0.006 (6)
K2A	0.026 (3)	0.049 (5)	0.027 (3)	-0.021 (3)	0.0017 (19)	-0.010 (2)
K2B	0.018 (6)	0.042 (10)	0.10 (2)	-0.016 (6)	-0.003 (7)	0.008 (11)
Mg1	0.00835 (18)	0.0162 (2)	0.0161 (2)	0.00006 (16)	-0.0009 (2)	0.0003 (3)
Nb1	0.00835 (18)	0.0162 (2)	0.0161 (2)	0.00006 (16)	-0.0009 (2)	0.0003 (3)

Geometric parameters (\AA , $^\circ$)

P1—O1	1.531 (5)	K1A—O3 ^{ix}	2.993 (7)
P1—O2 ⁱ	1.541 (5)	K1A—O5 ^x	3.002 (12)
P1—O3	1.535 (3)	K1A—O2 ^{vii}	3.004 (9)
P1—O4 ⁱⁱ	1.537 (3)	K1A—O5 ^{viii}	3.138 (13)
Nb1—O1 ⁱⁱⁱ	2.116 (5)	K2A—O2 ^{iv}	2.592 (7)
Nb1—O2	2.107 (5)	K2A—O1 ^{vi}	2.709 (8)
Nb1—O3	2.059 (3)	K2A—O4 ^{iv}	2.862 (10)
Nb1—O4	2.057 (3)	K2A—O2	2.941 (7)
Nb1—O5 ⁱⁱⁱ	1.888 (4)	K2A—O4	2.990 (7)
Nb1—O5	1.898 (4)	K2A—O5 ^x	3.008 (14)
K1A—K1B	0.70 (2)	K2A—O1 ^{xi}	3.012 (9)
K1A—K2B	1.58 (3)	K2A—O5	3.134 (15)
K1A—K2A	1.729 (8)	K1B—O2 ^{iv}	2.572 (11)
K1B—K2B	1.21 (3)	K1B—O3 ^{vii}	2.591 (13)
K2A—K2B	0.69 (3)	K1B—O1 ^{vi}	2.784 (18)
K1B—K2A	1.58 (3)	K1B—O4 ^{iv}	2.96 (3)

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K1B—K2B ^{iv}	2.53 (2)	K1B—O1 ^{viii}	3.09 (3)
K1B—K2A ^{iv}	2.89 (3)	K1B—O3 ^{ix}	3.26 (3)
K1A—K2B ^{iv}	2.91 (3)	K1B—O2 ^{vii}	3.37 (3)
K2A—K1B ^v	2.89 (3)	K2B—O1 ^{vi}	2.574 (13)
K2B—K1B ^v	2.53 (2)	K2B—O1 ^{xi}	3.37 (3)
K2B—K1A ^v	2.91 (3)	K2B—O2 ^{iv}	2.773 (19)
K1A—O1 ^{vi}	2.593 (6)	K2B—O2	3.10 (3)
K1A—O2 ^{iv}	2.713 (7)	K2B—O3 ^{vii}	2.97 (4)
K1A—O3 ^{vii}	2.867 (9)	K2B—O4 ^{iv}	2.586 (15)
K1A—O1 ^{viii}	2.935 (7)	K2B—O4	3.26 (4)
O1—P1—O3	110.9 (2)	O2 ^{iv} —K2A—O4	112.1 (3)
O1—P1—O4 ⁱⁱ	108.4 (2)	O1 ^{vi} —K2A—O4	105.9 (2)
O3—P1—O4 ⁱⁱ	110.17 (14)	O4 ^{iv} —K2A—O4	80.48 (18)
O1—P1—O2 ⁱ	108.55 (17)	O2—K2A—O4	54.93 (16)
O3—P1—O2 ⁱ	108.0 (2)	O2 ^{iv} —K2A—O5 ^x	83.3 (3)
O4 ⁱⁱ —P1—O2 ⁱ	110.8 (2)	O1 ^{vi} —K2A—O5 ^x	81.5 (2)
O1 ^{vi} —K1A—O1 ^{viii}	163.1 (5)	O4 ^{iv} —K2A—O5 ^x	142.9 (3)
O2 ^{iv} —K1A—O1 ^{viii}	52.22 (12)	O2—K2A—O5 ^x	91.3 (3)
O3 ^{vii} —K1A—O1 ^{viii}	122.2 (3)	O4—K2A—O5 ^x	111.9 (5)
O1 ^{vi} —K1A—O3 ^{ix}	112.3 (3)	O2 ^{iv} —K2A—O1 ^{xi}	63.26 (17)
O2 ^{iv} —K1A—O3 ^{ix}	106.1 (2)	O1 ^{vi} —K2A—O1 ^{xi}	154.5 (3)
O3 ^{vii} —K1A—O3 ^{ix}	80.42 (17)	O4 ^{iv} —K2A—O1 ^{xi}	58.02 (14)
O1 ^{viii} —K1A—O3 ^{ix}	55.08 (15)	O2—K2A—O1 ^{xi}	102.4 (3)
O1 ^{vi} —K1A—O5 ^x	83.5 (3)	O4—K2A—O1 ^{xi}	48.97 (16)
O2 ^{iv} —K1A—O5 ^x	81.4 (2)	O5 ^x —K2A—O1 ^{xi}	102.8 (5)
O3 ^{vii} —K1A—O5 ^x	143.1 (3)	O2 ^{iv} —K2A—O5	109.7 (5)
O1 ^{viii} —K1A—O5 ^x	91.1 (3)	O1 ^{vi} —K2A—O5	88.5 (3)
O3 ^{ix} —K1A—O5 ^x	111.7 (4)	O4 ^{iv} —K2A—O5	131.6 (3)
O1 ^{vi} —K1A—O2 ^{vii}	63.37 (16)	O2—K2A—O5	54.9 (2)
O2 ^{iv} —K1A—O2 ^{vii}	154.8 (3)	O4—K2A—O5	59.1 (2)
O3 ^{vii} —K1A—O2 ^{vii}	57.92 (13)	O5 ^x —K2A—O5	53.5 (3)
O1 ^{viii} —K1A—O2 ^{vii}	102.6 (3)	O1 ^{xi} —K2A—O5	74.9 (3)
O3 ^{ix} —K1A—O2 ^{vii}	49.03 (15)	O1 ^{vi} —K2B—O4 ^{iv}	156.9 (14)
O5 ^x —K1A—O2 ^{vii}	102.7 (4)	O1 ^{vi} —K2B—O2 ^{iv}	139.1 (10)
O1 ^{vi} —K1A—O5 ^{viii}	110.0 (4)	O4 ^{iv} —K2B—O2 ^{iv}	61.3 (3)
O2 ^{iv} —K1A—O5 ^{viii}	88.7 (2)	O1 ^{vi} —K2B—O3 ^{vii}	58.7 (6)
O3 ^{vii} —K1A—O5 ^{viii}	131.4 (3)	O4 ^{iv} —K2B—O3 ^{vii}	102.9 (12)
O1 ^{viii} —K1A—O5 ^{viii}	54.89 (19)	O2 ^{iv} —K2B—O3 ^{vii}	123.5 (13)
O3 ^{ix} —K1A—O5 ^{viii}	58.8 (2)	O1 ^{vi} —K2B—O2	51.1 (4)
O5 ^x —K1A—O5 ^{viii}	53.5 (2)	O4 ^{iv} —K2B—O2	126.3 (11)

O2 ^{vii} —K1A—O5 ^{viii}	74.8 (3)	O2 ^{iv} —K2B—O2	137.1 (15)
O2 ^{iv} —K1B—O3 ^{vii}	157.4 (12)	O3 ^{vii} —K2B—O2	97.3 (5)
O2 ^{iv} —K1B—O1 ^{vi}	138.6 (9)	O1 ^{vi} —K2B—O4	102.0 (9)
O3 ^{vii} —K1B—O1 ^{vi}	61.2 (3)	O4 ^{iv} —K2B—O4	79.7 (8)
O2 ^{iv} —K1B—O4 ^{iv}	58.8 (5)	O2 ^{iv} —K2B—O4	100.2 (10)
O3 ^{vii} —K1B—O4 ^{iv}	103.1 (10)	O3 ^{vii} —K2B—O4	132.0 (8)
O1 ^{vi} —K1B—O4 ^{iv}	123.3 (11)	O2—K2B—O4	50.9 (6)
O2 ^{iv} —K1B—O1 ^{viii}	51.2 (4)	O5 ⁱⁱⁱ —Nb1—O5	93.97 (9)
O3 ^{vii} —K1B—O1 ^{viii}	126.4 (11)	O5 ⁱⁱⁱ —Nb1—O4	91.86 (13)
O1 ^{vi} —K1B—O1 ^{viii}	137.0 (13)	O5—Nb1—O4	99.56 (15)
O4 ^{iv} —K1B—O1 ^{viii}	97.5 (5)	O5 ⁱⁱⁱ —Nb1—O3	99.36 (15)
O2 ^{iv} —K1B—O3 ^{ix}	102.2 (8)	O5—Nb1—O3	91.70 (13)
O3 ^{vii} —K1B—O3 ^{ix}	79.6 (7)	O4—Nb1—O3	163.53 (10)
O1 ^{vi} —K1B—O3 ^{ix}	100.1 (8)	O5 ⁱⁱⁱ —Nb1—O2	173.74 (14)
O4 ^{iv} —K1B—O3 ^{ix}	132.4 (8)	O5—Nb1—O2	88.9 (2)
O1 ^{viii} —K1B—O3 ^{ix}	51.0 (5)	O4—Nb1—O2	82.15 (13)
O2 ^{iv} —K2A—O1 ^{vi}	141.9 (3)	O3—Nb1—O2	86.13 (14)
O2 ^{iv} —K2A—O4 ^{iv}	59.99 (17)	O5 ⁱⁱⁱ —Nb1—O1 ⁱⁱⁱ	88.8 (2)
O1 ^{vi} —K2A—O4 ^{iv}	130.3 (6)	O5—Nb1—O1 ⁱⁱⁱ	173.55 (14)
O2 ^{iv} —K2A—O2	162.7 (6)	O4—Nb1—O1 ⁱⁱⁱ	86.18 (13)
O1 ^{vi} —K2A—O2	52.19 (12)	O3—Nb1—O1 ⁱⁱⁱ	82.08 (13)
O4 ^{iv} —K2A—O2	122.2 (3)	O2—Nb1—O1 ⁱⁱⁱ	89.02 (10)

Symmetry codes: (i) $-y+2, x, z+1/4$; (ii) $x+1, y, z$; (iii) $-y+1, x, z+1/4$; (iv) $y-1, -x+1, z-1/4$; (v) $-y+1, x+1, z+1/4$; (vi) $y, -x+2, z-1/4$; (vii) $-x+1, -y+2, z-1/2$; (viii) $-x+1, -y+1, z-1/2$; (ix) $-y+1, x, z-3/4$; (x) $y, -x+1, z-1/4$; (xi) $x-1, y, z$.

Table 1

Comparison of bond lengths and angles (\AA , $^\circ$)

	This work	McCarron & Calabrese (1993)
P1—O1	1.531 (5)	1.533 (3)
P1—O2 ⁱ	1.541 (5)	1.540 (3)
Mg(Nb)1—O1 ⁱⁱⁱ	2.116 (5)	2.124 (3)
Mg(Nb)1—O3	2.059 (3)	2.069 (3)
Mg(Nb)1—O5 ⁱⁱⁱ	1.888 (4)	1.890 (1)
O1—P1—O3	110.9 (2)	111.5 (1)
O3—P1—O2 ⁱ	108.0 (2)	107.9 (2)
O5—Mg(Nb)1—O1 ⁱⁱⁱ	173.55 (14)	173.4 (1)
O5—Mg(Nb)1—O2 ⁱⁱⁱ	173.74 (14)	173.4 (1)
O4—Mg(Nb)1—O3	163.53 (10)	163.1 (2)

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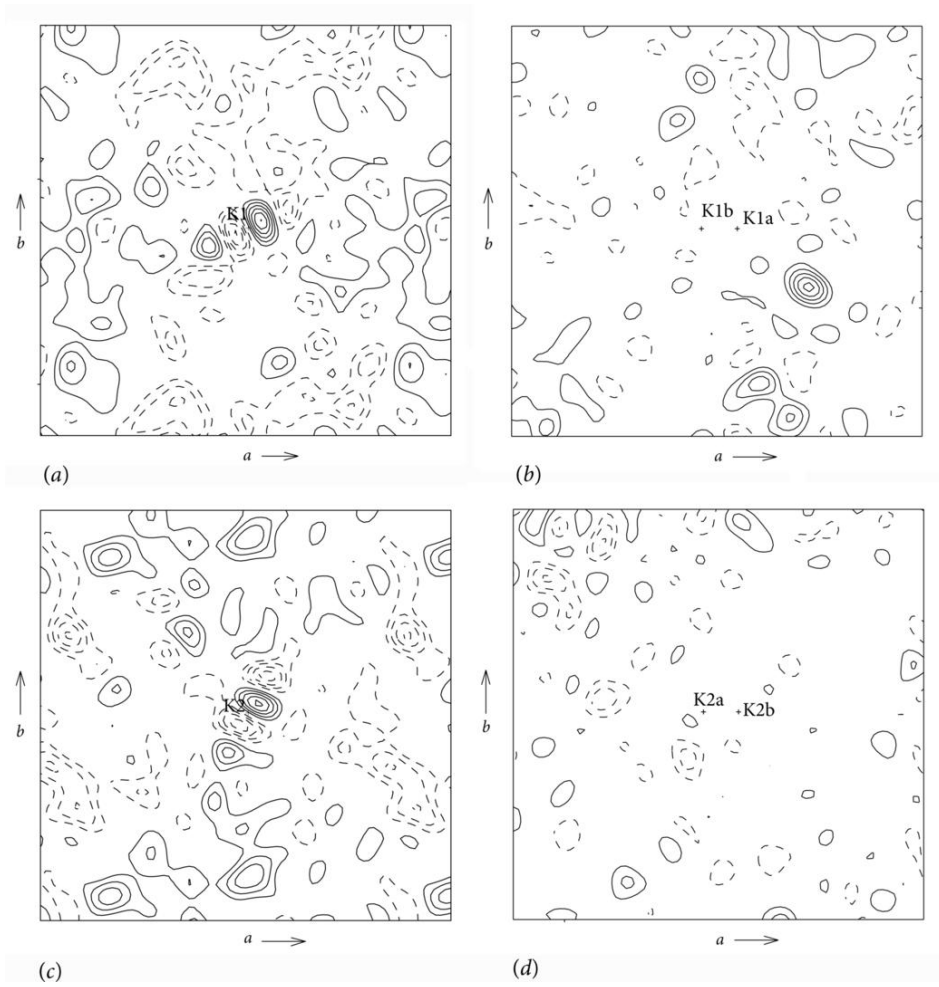


Fig. 2

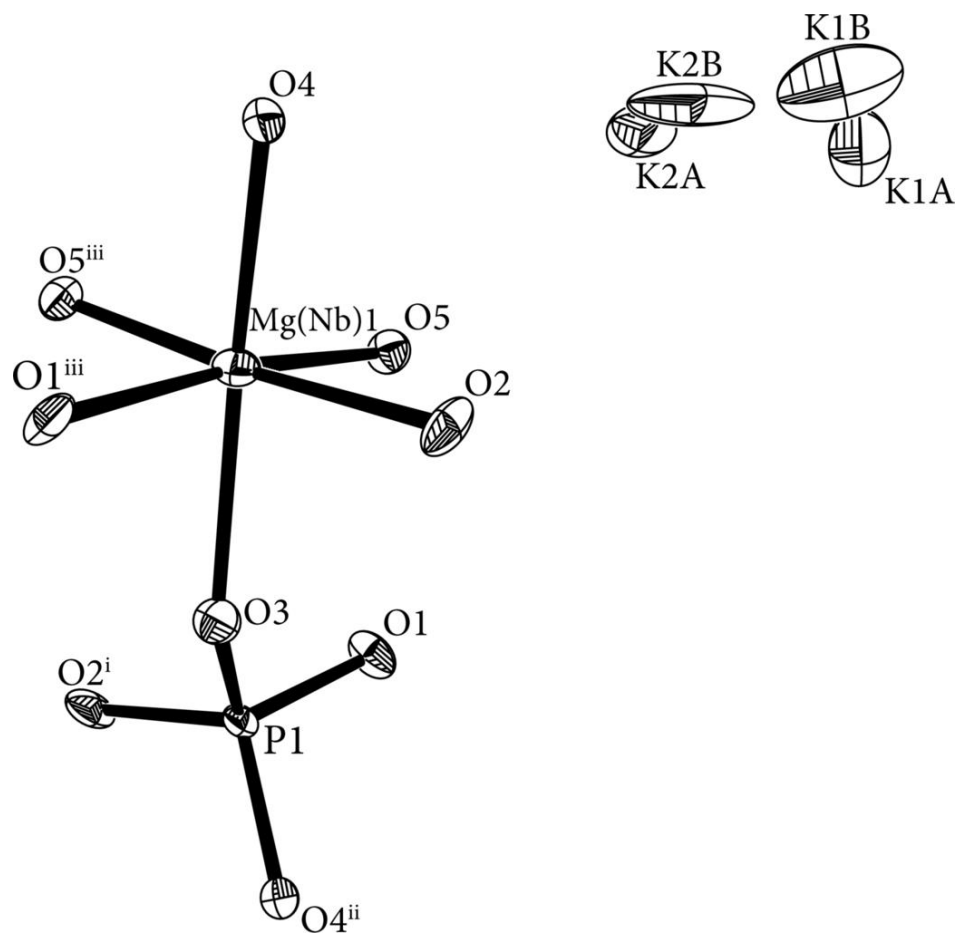


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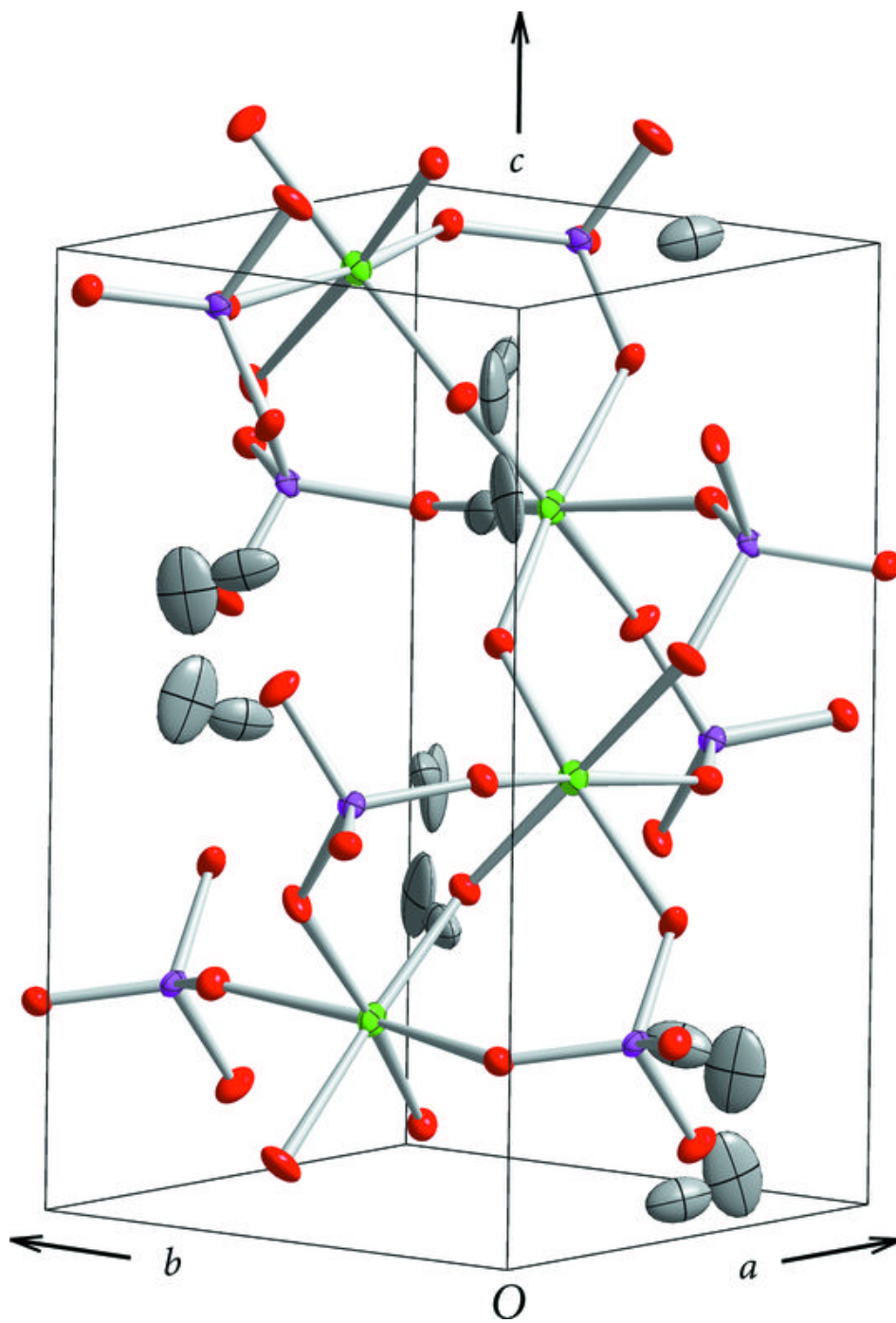


Fig. 4

