[(1S,2S)-H₂DACH][Ga₂(1S,2S-DACH)(HPO₄)-(PO₄)₂]: A Layered Chiral Gallophosphate **Containing Chiral Ligand and Chiral Template**

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Introduction

Synthesis of chiral zeolitic and microporous inorganic solids is of great interest with respect to their potential applications in enantioselective catalysis and separation.^{1,2} Synthetic approaches, to date, include the encapsulation of chiral transitionmetal complexes in open-framework materials and the selection of optically pure organic amines as templates.³ Both approaches have met with limited success. The only examples in the GaPO system included the incorporation of optically pure tris(1,2diaminoethane) cobalt(III) into the 3D chiral framework of d-Co- $(en)_3[H_3Ga_2P_4O_{16}]$,⁴ and the use of (1R,2R)-1,2-diaminocyclohexane and (R)-2-methylpiperazine for preparing the chained $[(1R,2R)-C_6H_{10}(NH_3)_2][Ga(OH)(HPO_4)_2]\cdot H_2O^5$ and the layered $[(R)-C_5H_{14}N_2]_2[Ga_4(C_2O_4)(H_2PO_4)_4]\cdot 2H_2O_5^6$ respectively. In all cases the availability of optically pure reagents is practically a limitation. The search for viable routes to homochiral materials is still a great challenge for synthetic chemists.

Here we report the hydrothermal synthesis and characterization of a chiral structure, [(1S,2S)-H₂DACH][Ga₂(1S,2S-DACH)- $(HPO_4)(PO_4)_2$ (1), which has been obtained from a mixture of achiral cis and racemic trans isomers of 1,2-diaminocyclohexane (DACH) as the structure-directing agent. The mixture of DACH isomers is inexpensively accessible and can be selectively separated via mild hydrothermal routes. Previous works^{7,8} showed that the trans DACH could be included in the open framework of metal phosphates whereas the cis was entirely excluded. The trans species has two enantiomers, namely, (1S,2S)-DACH and (1R,2R)-DACH. By referring to the synthetic conditions previously used for the preparation of a racemic GaPO phase, [trans-H₂DACH][Ga(OH)(HPO₄)₂]·H₂O,⁵ a less acidic and less polar solvent system was pursued for further discrimination between the R and S two enantiomers in trans DACH. This approach has led to the unique chiral structure of **1**. It is the first example where chiral amine molecules play

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dual roles as both metal ligands and countercations. In this paper, the synthesis, crystal structure, thermal analysis, and solid-state ³¹P and ⁷¹Ga MAS NMR data of **1** are described and discussed.

Experimental Section

Synthesis and Compositional Characterization. Chemicals of reagent grade were used as received. Compound 1 was obtained by heating a mixture of DACH (1.1 mL, 9.0 mmol), Ga₂O₃ (0.2812 g, 1.5 mmol), 3 M H₃PO₄ (2.0 mL, 6.0 mmol), Si(OEt)₄ (0.05 mL), EG (ethylene glycol, 8 mL), and H₂O (2 mL) at an initial pH value of ~6.8 in a Teflon-lined digestion bomb at 150 °C under autogenous pressure for 2 days followed by a slow cooling at 6 °C h⁻¹ to room temperature. The resulting product contained a major phase of colorless plate-shaped crystals of 1 plus a tiny amount of unidentified powder. The solvent EG played an important role for the crystallization of the desired product. Both the quantity and quality of the crystals of 1 would degrade drastically when an insufficient amount of EG was added to the solvent system. A suitable plate crystal was carefully selected for single-crystal structure analysis. The Ga:P ratio determined from singlecrystal analysis (see below) was further confirmed by EPMA analysis. Elemental analysis was carried out to verify organic contents. Anal. Found: C, 22.19; H, 4.96; N, 8.26. Calcd: C, 22.05; H, 4.47; N, 8.57.

Single-Crystal X-ray Structure Analysis. A crystal of dimensions $0.02 \times 0.10 \times 0.30$ mm was selected for indexing and intensity data collection at 293 K. The measurements were performed on a Siemens Smart-CCD diffractometer system equipped with a normal focus, 3 kW sealed-tube X-ray source ($\lambda = 0.71073$ Å). Intensity data were collected in 1271 frames with increasing ω (width of 0.3° per frame). Unit cell dimensions were determined by a least-squares fit of 3832 reflections. After Lorentz polarization and empirical absorption corrections, 7568 independent reflections ($\theta_{max} = 28.30^{\circ}$) were obtained, and among these 5855 reflections ($I > 3\sigma(I)$) were considered observed $(R_{\rm int} = 0.0342)$. The empirical absorption correction was performed on the basis of 3311 symmetry-equivalent reflections using the SADABS program.9 On the basis of systematic absences, statistics of intensity distribution, and later successful structure refinements, the acentric space group $P2_1$ was chosen. Direct methods were used to locate the Ga, P, and a few oxygen atoms with the remaining nonhydrogen atoms found from successive difference Fourier maps. The results of bond-length and bond-strength calculation¹⁰ were used to identify the hydroxo oxygen atom, O(3) in hydrogen phosphate groups. The atomic coordinates of all H atoms on DACH molecules were calculated on the basis of a riding model. The hydroxo H on O(3), H(1), was located directly on a difference map. Structural parameters were refined on the basis of F^2 . The final cycle of refinement, including the atomic coordinates and anisotropic thermal parameters for all non-H atoms and fixed atomic coordinate and isotropic thermal parameter for hydrogen atoms, converged at R = 0.0477. Corrections for secondary extinction and anomalous dispersion were applied. Neutral-atom scattering factors for all atoms were taken from the standard sources. All calculations were performed by using SHELXTL programs.¹¹ Crystallographic data of 1 are given in Table 1. Other details for the refinement are given in the Supporting Information.

Thermogravimetric Analysis. Thermal analyses (TGA/DTA), using a Seiko TG/DTA 300 analyzer, were performed on a powder sample (2.46 mg) under flowing N₂ with a heating rate of 10 °C min⁻¹. As indicated by the TGA/DTA curves shown in Figure 1, 1 was thermally stable up to \sim 330 °C. Two stages of mass loss was observed over the ranges 350-500 °C and 950-1100 °C. The first stage should be attributed to the dehydration of HPO42- groups and the removal of

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 Table 1. Crystallographic Data for 1

formula	$C_{12}H_{31}Ga_2N_4O_{12}P_3$
fw	655.76
space group	$P2_{1}$
a, Å	9.780(1)
b, Å	9.104(1)
<i>c</i> , Å	13.924(1)
β , deg	108.02(1)
vol, Å ³	1178.9(2)
Ζ	2
N(reflns collected)	$7568 (5855 > 3\sigma(I))$
$D_{\rm calcd}$, g cm ⁻³	1.847
μ , mm ⁻¹	2.554
T, °C	22
λ, Å	0.71073
$\mathbf{R}1^{a}$	0.0477
$wR2^{b}$	0.1392

^{*a*} R1 = $\Sigma ||F_o|$ - $|F_c||/\Sigma |F_o|$. ^{*b*} wR2 = $[\Sigma w(|F_o|^2 - |F_c|^2)^2]/\Sigma w(|F_o|^2)^2]^{1/2}$, $w = [\sigma^2(F_o^2) + 0.0846P]^2 + 2.74P]$.



Figure 1. TGA (top) and DTA (bottom) curves of $[(1S,2S)-H_2DACH]-[Ga_2(1S,2S-DACH)(HPO_4)(PO_4)_2]$ (1).

organic contents (calcd 4.12% for $1.5H_2O$ and 34.77% for two molecules of DACH). However, the observed mass loss (33.6%) was lower than that expected (38.89%). The lower reduction in this stage was due to the retention of carbon in the solid residue (black in color). The second stage with a mass loss of 5.2% beyond 950 °C should correspond to the removal of carbon from the black solid residue. The total observed weight loss (38.8%) for the two stages compared well with that calculated on the basis of the above interpretation. The post-TGA residue was amorphous and could not be identified.

Solid-State NMR Measurements. ⁷¹Ga and ³¹P MAS NMR spectra were performed on a Bruker DSX 400 spectrometer equipped with a standard Bruker 4-mm MAS probe head at 9.4 T. Sample spinning speeds of 12 kHz for Ga and 7 kHz for P were applied. Chemical shifts were respectively reported relative to 1.0 M Ga(NO₃)₃ and 85% H₃-PO₄ solutions as external references. The ³¹P MAS NMR data revealed two resonance peaks located at δ –1.3 and δ –5.5 ppm with a 1:2 intensity ratio. The ⁷¹Ga MAS NMR spectra showed one small resonance peak at 127 ppm and a much larger one at 4.4 ppm.

Results and Discussion

The asymmetric unit of 1, as depicted in Figure 2, contains two Ga centers, one HPO₄ and two PO₄ tetrahedra, and one neutral and one diprotonated DACH molecules. The refinement on absolute structure (Flack parameter 0.01(2))¹² indicates that the crystal of 1 grown from achiral cis and racemic trans DACH



Figure 2. ORTEP drawing of the building unit in $[(1S,2S)-H_2DACH]-[Ga_2(1S,2S-DACH)(HPO_4)(PO_4)_2]$ (1). Thermal ellipsoids are given at the 50% level. Average bond distances (Å): Ga(1)-O = 1.952(5); Ga(1)-N = 2.096(7); Ga(2)-O = 1.819(6); P(1)-O = 1.535(6); P(2)-O = 1.530(6); P(3)-O = 1.534(7).

is an S enantiomer. Although the thermal ellipsoids of several C atoms are large, a static disorder model for the carbon atoms could not be refined. In the structure of **1**, half of the (1S,2S)-DACH molecules are neutral and bind in a bidentate fashion to the octahedral Ga(1) center. The other half are diprotonated acting as countercations. Organic diamine usually can play three different roles in metal phosphates: (I) as space-filling counterions (i.e., unbound amine cations), as in the general cases; (II) to bind metal as a bidentate ligand (i.e., bound amine molecules), as in $[In_5F_3(PO_4)_4(H_2O)_2(en)_3]^{13}$ and $[In_4(4,4'-bipy)_3-$ (HPO₄)₄(H₂PO₄)₄•*n*H₂O;¹⁴ and (III) partially protonated but also acting as a monodentate ligand to metal (i.e., bound amine cation), as in $[Ga_5(OH)_2(C_{10}H_9N_2)(C_2O_4)(PO_4)_4] \cdot 2H_2O^{15}$ It is less common that diamine molecules play dual roles in one structure. To the best of our knowledge, the only example documented previously was the zincophosphate, [H₂en]₂[Zn₁₂- $(\text{Hen})2(\text{OH})_2(\text{PO}_4)_{10}]$,¹⁶ in which ethylenediamine molecules played both roles I and III. The structure of 1 sets another example where (1S, 2S)-DACH molecules plays dual roles I and II.

In the crystal of 1, the Ga-O polyhedra alternate with PO₄ tetrahedra in a corner-shared manner to form $\frac{\infty}{2}$ [GaPO] sheets where 8-rings and 4-rings delimited by $Ga(1)O_4N_2$ octahedra, $Ga(1)O_4$ and PO_4 tetrahedra in a 1:1:2 ratio are observed (see Figure 3a). Pendent HPO₄ groups, each connecting two Ga centers (one Ga(1)O₄N₂ octahedron and one Ga(2)O₄ tetradedron), appear on both sides of the ${}_2^{\infty}$ [GaPO] sheets. The arrangement results in anionic [Ga₄(1S,2S-DACH)₂(HPO₄)₂- $(PO_4)_4]^{4-}$ sheets that are stacking in an AAA... sequence along the c-axis (Figure 3b). Between the sheets are (1S, 2S)-H₂DACH cations. It is noted that the [Ga4(1S,2S-DACH)2(HPO4)2- $(PO_4)_4]^{4-}$ sheet is sandwiched by (1S,2S)-H₂DACH cations with the cyclic hydrophobic rings pointing toward the interlayer region. Thus, another view of the structure can be a stacking of composite $\{[cation]^{2+}[anion]^{4-}[cation]^{2+}\}$ layers which are associated with each other solely by van der Waals forces. Strong H-bonds exist between the pendent HPO₄ groups and (15,25)-H2DACH cations: (O(3)...N(4), 2.588 Å and N(4)····H(1), 1.661 Å). H-bonding interactions also likely exist

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Figure 3. Polyhedral representations of **1**. (a) Section of the anionic $[Ga_4(1S,2S-DACH)_2(HPO_4)_2(PO_4)_4]^{4-}$ sheet showing two types of 4-rings and one 8-ring. (b) The neutral composite layers (in brackets) stacking along the *c*-axis direction with hydrophobic rings of the H₂-DACH²⁺ cations pointing toward each other. In the plots, the darker polyhedra are GaO₄ and GaO₄N₂, the lighter HPO₄ and PO₄, open circles are C atoms and dark circles are N atoms.

between PO_4 tetrahedra and amine cations due to a short contact of 2.707 Å between N(3) and O(11).

The presence of two different Ga and P centers in **1** are confirmed by NMR data. ⁷¹Ga MAS NMR spectrum (Figure 4) showed two distinct peaks: the resonance at δ 127 ppm corresponds to the 4-coordinated Ga in GaO₄, in accordance with the data in other structures;^{8,15,17} the resonance at $\delta \sim 4.4$ corresponds to the 6-coordinate gallium in the GaO₄N₂ octa-



Figure 4. MAS solid-state NMR spectra of 1: (a) ${}^{31}P$ and (b) ${}^{71}Ga$ resonance peaks.

hedron. The large upfield shift relative to that of GaO₆ should be probably due to the strong shielding by two directly bonded nitrogens.¹⁵ In the ³¹P MAS NMR spectrum the resonance peaks located at δ –1.3 and δ –5.5 ppm respectively correspond to the HPO₄^{2–} and PO₄^{3–} as the isotropic ³¹P chemical shifts will move to high field with decreasing protonation.^{18,19}

To date, only two organically templated GaPO materials^{20,21} adopt layer structures. Compound **1** adds not only one more unique layered topology without any precedent counterpart

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among GaPO's and AlPO's but also the first layered structure with a Ga:P ratio of 2:3. The chiral nature of **1** can be the consequence of a novel templating effect due to the chirality of the trans DACH molecule. Either the *S* or the *R* enantiomer could act as the template to the layered structure.²² By

employing the same synthetic strategy we have also prepared a titanium phosphate compound in which the two trans DACH enantiomers were also isolated.²³ Progress in pursuing more chiral metal phosphate structures is currently being undertaken.

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⁽²²⁾ The [(1*R*,2*R*)-H₂DACH][Ga₂(1*R*,2*R*-DACH)(HPO₄)(PO₄)₂] phase also crystallized in the product. However, the crystal quality of the (1*R*,2*R*) enantiomer was rather poor based on our single-crystal structure analysis.

^{(23) [(15,25)-}H₂DACH][Ti(OH)(HPO₄)₂]·H₂O, an orthorhombic phase with space group *Pca*₂₁ and *a* = 21.954(2) Å, *b* = 8.6045(9) Å, *c* = 7.2720-(8) Å, *V* = 1373.7(3) Å³, and *Z* = 4. C. H. Lin, S. L. Wang, unpublished results.