Table 1 (cont.)						
hkl	$d_{calc}$	$d_{ m obs}$	$I_{rel}$			
121	3.173	3.167	2			
012	3.019	3.015	6			
112	2.950	2.953	2			
130	2.737	2.732	5			
031	2.670	2.666	3			
122	2.552	2.556	2			
221	2.520	2.516	2			
311	2.390	2.390	4			
230	2.322	2.321	1			
202	2.291	2.287	1			
23T, 301	2.243	2.247	2			
040	2.201	2.199	2			
032	<b>2</b> ·167	<b>2</b> ·168	2			
013, 041	2.082	2.083	1			
222, 14 <del>1</del>	2.032	2.034	1			
141	1.984	1.985	1			
322	1.932	1.933	1			
400, 33T	1.898	1.897	1			
303	1.770	1.772	1			
420	1.743	1.741	2			
150	1.715	1.715	1			
241	1.695	1.694	1			

In the reciprocal level h0l the absences are for h+l= odd, in the 0kl level for 00l, l = odd, and for 0k0, k = odd, indicating the space group  $P2_1/n$ . The observed specific gravity of 3.52 g.cm<sup>-3</sup>, gives 4 formulae per unit cell.

The data of the compound as compared in Table 2 with the data of other selenites published in previous papers by Camargo and others show that the following substances are isostructural:  $ZnSeO_3.2H_2O$ ,  $CoSeO_3.2H_2O$  and  $NiSeO_3.2H_2O$  (see Palache, 1937; Berman, Frondel & Palache, 1951; Goñi & Guillemin, 1953; Sindeeva, 1964; Camargo, Giesbrecht & Leite, 1964; Camargo, 1965; Camargo & Leite, 1966; Camargo & Svisero, 1967).

#### Table 2. Crystallographic data of selenites of Zn, Co and Ni

Selenites of	Zn <sup>2+</sup>	Co <sup>2+</sup>	Ni <sup>2+</sup>
Ionic radius (Å)	0.74	0.72	0.69
$a_0$ (Å)	7.68	7.58	7.55
$b_0$ (Å)	8.80	8.73	8.75
$c_0$ (Å)	6.49	6.59	6.43
β	81°34′	81°30′	81°
Space group	$P2_1/n$	$P2_1/n$	$P2_1/n$
Unit cell volume (Å <sup>3</sup> )	434	431	420
Z	4	4	4

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A note on the structure of YCd2.\* By ROBERT ELMENDORF and EARLE RYBA, Department of Materials Science, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, Pennsylvania, U.S.A.

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Crystal structure data, including the results of a least-squares refinement based on single-crystal intensities, for  $YCd_2$  (CdI<sub>2</sub> type structure) are presented.

Bruzzone & Ruggiero (1962) reported that the compound  $YCd_2$  exhibits the  $CdI_2$  (C6) type structure, space group  $P\overline{3}m1$ , with a=4.879, c=3.500 Å. Y and Cd atoms are located in equipoints 1(a) and 2(d) with z = 0.470. However, since no details or supporting data for this work were given, we made an independent determination of the lattice and positional parameters following the procedure outlined by Michel & Ryba (1965). The alloy sample was a portion of the thermal analysis sample used in the determination of the Y-Cd phase diagram (Ryba, Kejriwal & Elmendorf, 1967). The single crystals used in the determination were coated with an acrylic plastic to retard the very rapid oxidation. The intensities of 57 hkl (h=0,1,2) reflections from a roughly cylindrical single crystal 0.03 mm in diameter  $\times$ 0.29 mm in length were measured by planimetering the recorded peaks. No absorption correction was applied. The results are as follows:

$$a = 4.882 \pm 1, c = 3.501 \pm 3 \text{ Å}$$
  
(Cu K\$\alpha\$1 radiation; \$\lambda\$ = 1.54051 Å)  
Y: 1(a)000; B = 1.00 \pm 16 Å<sup>2</sup>  
Cd: 2(d)\frac{1}{3}z; z = 0.4783 \pm 14  
B = 1.06 \pm 8 Å<sup>2</sup>  
R = 9.0 \%.

The structure factors and interatomic distances are given in Tables 1 and 2, respectively.

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Table 1. Observed and calculated structure factors for YCd2					Table 1 (cont.)						
hkl	$ F_o $	Fc	hkl	$ F_o $	Fc	hkl	$ F_o $	Fc	hkl	$ F_o $	$F_c$
001	109	- 100	$01\overline{2}$	15	14	123	71	72	104	19	-22
002	177	173	013	44	37	124	19	-22	021	83	91
003	52	- 49	121	69	71	231	47	60	023	75	67
004	85	83	122	17	11	233	51	51	241	34	39
110	201	210	123	14	31	01T	111	99	242	12	-11
220	133	136	124	21	18				131	63	62
330	89	83	23T	58	46						
111	89	- 81	233	21	22	_			•.		
221	51	- 55	020	20	-10	Table 2. Interatomic distances for YCd <sub>2</sub>					
331	39	- 35	101	96	84	Y_6Y	4.88	2 + 1 Å	Cd-3Y	3	279 + 3 Å
112	159	150	021	77	70	$V_{2}$	3.50	$\frac{2}{1+3}$	Cd-3Y	3	$\frac{279}{359} + 3$
222	99	107	102	17	12	Y-6Cd	3.27	9 + 3	Cd-3C	$d \tilde{2}$	$823 \pm 1$
332	65	69	022	16	11	Y-6Cd	3.35	9 + 3	04 20		
113	46	- 44	103	29	32	1 000	5 55	, <u>, ,</u> ,			
223	37	-33	023	35	28						
114	74	76	104	26	18			Refer	ences		
224	60	59	131	34	47			Kutu	chees		
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012	30	- 32	24 <u>2</u>	11	5	<ul> <li>MICHEL, D. J. &amp; RYBA, E. (1965). Acta Cryst. 19, 687.</li> <li>RYBA, E., KEJRIWAL, P. K. &amp; ELMENDORF, R. (1967). Submitted to Trans. AIME.</li> </ul>					10 687
013	98	88	101	106	109						(1067) Sub
210	15	-11	102	25	-27						1907). Sub-
121	82	93	103	70	75						

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The structure of the M'-phase of YTaO<sub>4</sub>, a third fergusonite polymorph. By G.M.WOLTEN, Aerospace Corporation, Laboratories Division, El Segundo, California, U.S.A.

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A correction to Acta Cryst. (1967), 23, 939.

An error in a computer program has caused erroneous values of the bond angles to be given in Table 3 of the article under the above title (Wolten, 1967). The numbers should read, in the order given, 133.8, 91.3, 116.6, 92.7, 96.3, 130.4. The distances of Table 3 are correct.

Reference

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Lattice parameters and space groups of some aromatic Schiff bases. By H.B.BÜRGI, J.D.DUNITZ and C.ZÜST, Organic Chemistry Laboratory, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, 8006 Zürich, Switzerland

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Lattice parameters and space groups of some aromatic Schiff bases are recorded.

In the course of our structural investigations of Schiff bases, we have prepared the compounds listed in column 1 of Table 1. The compounds were obtained by heating a 1:1 mixture of the corresponding aniline and benzaldehyde to about 100 °C (with or without solvent). The solvent for recrystallization is indicated in column 2, Table 1.

Lattice parameters were derived from measurements on 30° precession photographs (Cu  $K\alpha$ ,  $\lambda = 1.542$  Å). The stan-

dard deviations are approximately 0.2% of the values in columns 3-6, Table 1. The space groups (column 7, Table 1) are determined from systematic absences, in some cases backed by structural considerations. Measured densities, tabulated in column 9, were obtained by flotation in aqueous potassium iodide solutions.

Detailed structural investigations of I, X and XII are in progress.