

Tabelle 8. Abstände des H<sub>2</sub>O(II) zu seinen Nachbarn im  $\beta$ -KZnBr<sub>3</sub>.2H<sub>2</sub>O und KZnJ.2H<sub>2</sub>O

	$\beta$ -KZnBr <sub>3</sub> .2H <sub>2</sub> O	KZnJ.2H <sub>2</sub> O	
H <sub>2</sub> O (II)-X(1)	3,63 Å	3,84 Å	1. Basis des trigonalen Prismas
H <sub>2</sub> O (II)-X(2)	3,54	3,77	
H <sub>2</sub> O (II)-X(3)	3,65	3,82	
H <sub>2</sub> O (II)-X(4)	3,64	3,87	2. Basis des trigonalen Prismas
H <sub>2</sub> O (II)-X(5)	3,52	3,76	
H <sub>2</sub> O (II)-X(6)	3,81	3,81	
H <sub>2</sub> O (II)-X(7)	3,53	3,72	
H <sub>2</sub> O (II)-H <sub>2</sub> O (I)	2,66	2,61	Pyramiden spitzen der Seitenflächen des Prismas
H <sub>2</sub> O (II)-K	2,78	2,81	

Die Anordnung der Nachbarn um das H<sub>2</sub>O (II) ist entsprechend der um das Kalium.

Beide Strukturen lassen sich von einer verschiedenartig verzerrten hexagonal-dichtesten Brompackung ableiten. In beiden Fällen sind die Bromschichten sehr stark aufgeweitet und ineinanderverschachtelt (Fig. 3 und 4). Die Anordnung der so entstehenden Hohlkanäle ist in beiden Strukturen unterschiedlich; im  $\alpha$ -KZnBr<sub>3</sub>.2H<sub>2</sub>O verlaufen sie sämtlich in gleicher Orientierung, im  $\beta$ -KZnBr<sub>3</sub>.2H<sub>2</sub>O sind sie jeweils um ihre Längsachsen gegeneinander verdreht.

Beide Strukturen haben das gleiche Volumen der Elementarzelle und in der Richtung der Hohlkanäle die gleiche Gitterkonstante. Die Atomabstände in beiden Modifikationen unterschieden sich nicht merklich. Auch der Schmelzpunkt ist etwa der gleiche.

Zwillingsbildung wurde beim  $\beta$ -KZnBr<sub>3</sub>.2H<sub>2</sub>O nicht beobachtet, dagegen tritt  $\alpha$ -KZnBr<sub>3</sub>.2H<sub>2</sub>O nur in Zwillingsindividuen auf.

Beide Modifikationen von KZnBr<sub>3</sub>.2H<sub>2</sub>O kristallisieren in verschiedenen Kristallklassen und unterscheiden sich wesentlich in ihrem Habitus.  $\beta$ -KZnBr<sub>3</sub>.2H<sub>2</sub>O kristallisiert prismatisch, wobei die Prismenrichtung der kürzesten Translationsrichtung (=c) entspricht.  $\alpha$ -KZnBr<sub>3</sub>.2H<sub>2</sub>O bildet flache langgestreckte

Scheiben mit der längsten Gitterkonstanten in Richtung der Längserstreckung.

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## The Unit Cells and Space Groups of L-Methionine, L- $\beta$ -Phenylalanine, and DL-Tyrosine

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The Debye-Scherrer patterns of L-methionine, L- $\beta$ -phenylalanine and DL-tyrosine crystallized from aqueous solution, have been analysed. L-Methionine (2-amino-4-methylthiobutanoic acid), is monoclinic with  $a = 15.49$ ,  $b = 3.84$ ,  $c = 14.11$  Å,  $\beta = 103^\circ 54'$ ; space group  $P2_1$ ,  $Z = 4$ . L- $\beta$ -Phenylalanine is also monoclinic with  $a = 13.13$ ,  $b = 6.59$ ,  $c = 10.28$  Å,  $\beta = 104^\circ 38'$ ; space group  $P2_1$ ,  $Z = 4$ . DL-Tyrosine (3-p-hydroxyphenylalanine) is orthorhombic with  $a = 21.26$ ,  $b = 5.85$ ,  $c = 13.68$  Å, space group  $Pnc2$ ,  $Z = 8$ .

Although the crystal structures of DL-methionine dimorphs (Mathieson, 1952) and the unit cells and space group of DL- $\beta$ -phenylalanine (Khawas & Krishna Murti, 1968) and L-tyrosine (Khawas & Krishna Murti, 1969) have been reported, there appear to be

no data on the crystal structure of L-methionine, L- $\beta$ -phenylalanine, and DL-tyrosine. These compounds could not be obtained as good single crystals by the ordinary methods of crystallization; information regarding the structure was obtained from powder pat-

terns alone. L-Methionine crystallized from aqueous or alcoholic solution at room temperature ( $25^{\circ}\text{C}$ – $30^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) does not show any dimorphism.

The patterns of the micro-crystals crushed to powder and rolled into the form of a cylinder (about 0.3 mm in diameter) with gum acaciae, were taken on an 11.48 cm diameter powder camera using Cu  $K\alpha$ -radiation. The positions of the lines were measured to an accuracy of 0.05 mm, and the spacings obtained were accurate to 0.001 Å for  $2\theta$ – $62^{\circ}$ . The  $d$  values were converted to  $Q$  ( $10^4 \cdot 1/d^2$ ), and a table of differences in  $Q$  values was prepared for each sample.

#### L-Methionine

Pure L-methionine, obtained from British Drug Houses Ltd, England, was crystallized from aqueous solution; the crystals are tiny, transparent and not very regular in shape. An application of the tests for higher symmetries (Azároff & Buerger, 1958), on the experimental  $Q$  values from a powder photograph (Table 1) showed that the crystal system was not cubic, tetragonal, hexagonal, or orthorhombic. Ito's (1950) method was then tried using the general formula:

$$Q_{hkl} = h^2a^{*2} + k^2b^{*2} + l^2c^{*2} + 2hka^*b^*\cos\gamma^* + 2hl^*a^*c^*\cos\beta^* + 2kl^*c^*b^*\cos\alpha^*. \quad (1)$$

Table 1. Powder pattern data of L-methionine

Intensity	$d$	$Q$ ( $10^4 \cdot 1/d^2$ )		$hkl$
		Observed	Calculated	
vs	15.24 Å	43	44	100
vvw	13.60	54	52	001
w	7.628	172	177	200
vw	5.733	304	297	102
s	4.995	401	398	300
vw	4.769	440	441	103
vw	4.623	468	{ 466 476	{ 003 302
vs	4.449	505	505	203
s	4.366	525	519	301
s (bd.)	4.114	591	579	103
vs (bd.)	3.876	666	{ 657 667	{ 303 401
w	3.693	733	730	402, 011
m	3.485	823	{ 822 829	{ 204 004
m (bd.)	3.334	900	897	403
s	3.106	1037	1042	501
m	3.044	1079	{ 1071 1076	{ 303 310
m (bd.)	2.880	1206	1197	502
s	2.730	1342	{ 1335 1345	{ 313 411
m	2.655	1419	1421	305
s	2.578	1505	{ 1500 1503 1505	{ 214 304 601
m	2.508	1590	1591	014
vw	2.419	1709	1702	600
m	2.386	1757	{ 1749 1760	{ 313 512

Table 1 (cont.)

Intensity	$d$	Observed	Calculated	$Q$ ( $10^4 \cdot 1/d^2$ )	$hkl$
				Cal-	
m (bd.)	2.318	1861	{ 1865 1868	006	214, 604
vvw	2.222	2025	{ 2020 2026	406	315
m	2.149	2165	{ 2163 2166	611	700
w	2.080	2311	2318	206	116
w	2.023	2443	2449	007	016
vw	1.985	2538	{ 2538 2543	020	321
w (bd.)	1.921	2710	2712	117	321
w	1.796	3100	{ 3093 3099	223, 124	321
w	1.757	3239	3231	124	124
vvw	1.693	3489	3493	125	125
w	1.650	3673	3677	525	525
vvw	1.595	3931	3936	209	209
vvw	1.550	4162	4166	814	814
vw	1.519	4334	4329	10, 0, 4	10, 0, 2
vvw	1.486	4529	4537		
vvw	1.445	4785	4787		
vvw	1.403	5080	{ 5072 5087		

Assuming the first two lines to have indices 100 and 001,  $Q_{100}=44.2$  and  $Q_{001}=51.8$  were computed respectively from the observed pairs  $Q_{600}=1591$ ,  $Q_{700}=2165$  and  $Q_{006}=1861$ ,  $Q_{007}=2538$ . With these values of  $Q_{100}$  and  $Q_{001}$  on substitution in formula (1), other pinacoidal reflexions for  $h=2, 3$  and  $l=3, 4$  could be found. If the third line is assumed to be the second order of the first, and the 4th line to have index 102, the above formula gave  $2hla^*c^*\cos\beta^*=23$  computed from observed  $Q_{204}=823$ . Taking these three parameters the first 16 lines and a few of the rest could be indexed for  $h0l$  zone. Next  $Q_{010}=678$  was computed from  $Q_{020}=2710$ , so that from  $Q_{502}=1079$ , the 23rd line could be indexed as 512 for  $Q_{obs}=Q_{calc}=1757$ , giving  $\alpha^*=90=\gamma^*$  from the above formula. All the lines in the pattern were now indexed, using these 6 constants, within the discrepancy  $|Q_{obs}-Q_{calc}|=8$ , for sharp lines; the following constants followed for the reciprocal unit cell  $a^*=0.0648$ ,  $b^*=0.2598$ ,  $c^*=0.07198$  Å,  $\beta^*=76.6'$ .

De Wolff (1968) has propounded a simplified criterion for the reliability of an indexed pattern, in the form of a figure of merit, defined by

$$M_{20} = Q_{20}/2\tilde{\varepsilon}N_{20} \quad (2)$$

where  $Q_{20}$  = the  $Q$  value for 20th observed and indexed line,

$N_{20}$  = the number of different  $Q$  values calculated up to  $Q_{20}$

$\tilde{\varepsilon}$  = the average discrepancy in  $Q$  for these 20 lines.

This should have a value greater than 10 for correct indexing of a powder pattern. For L-methionine (Table 1),  $Q_{20}=1505$ ,  $N_{20}=31$ , and  $\tilde{\varepsilon}=3.3$ , so  $M_{20}=7.30$ .

Thus the indexing of the pattern of L-methionine can be taken as correct.

The direct cell derived from the above reciprocal parameters has:  $a = 15.49$ ,  $b = 3.84$ ,  $c = 14.11 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $\beta = 103^\circ 54'$ ; which Buerger's (1957) test shows to be the reduced cell. The observed density  $1.22 \text{ g.cm}^{-3}$ , measured to an accuracy of  $0.005 \text{ g.cm}^{-3}$  gave the number of molecules per unit cell as 4.0. The lines in the pattern were given all possible indices, within the above discrepancy, and the following conditions limiting possible reflexions were found:

$hkl$ , no condition  
 $h0l$ , no condition.

$0k0$ ,  $k = 2n$  (only three orders were in the range of observation). The probable space group is thus  $P2_1$  or  $P2_1/m$ , the former being chosen for an optically active molecule, which is asymmetric.

#### L- $\beta$ -Phenylalanine

Pure L- $\beta$ -phenylalanine, obtained from British Drug Houses Ltd, England, was crystallized from aqueous solution by repeated evaporation at room temperature. X-ray patterns of the powdered microcrystalline mass were taken. Tests for the higher symmetries (Azároff & Buerger, 1958) over the observed  $Q$  values (Table 2) for a cubic, tetragonal, hexagonal or an orthorhombic cell were negative. The pattern could be analysed satisfactorily by Ito's (1950) method for a monoclinic cell as described earlier in the case of L-methionine. The first three lines were given indices 100, 001, and  $10\bar{1}$  and  $Q_{100} = 62$ ,  $Q_{001} = 101$  could be computed from observed  $Q_{400} = 991$ ,  $Q_{600} = 2238$ , and  $Q_{30\bar{2}} = 722$ ,  $Q_{20\bar{4}} = 1543$ , giving the factor  $2a^*c^*\cos\beta^* = 40$ . With these three constants, using formula (1), the 4th, 5th and 6th line were identified as 101, 200, and  $20\bar{1}$ . Next  $Q_{010} = 230$  was taken from observed  $Q_{41\bar{3}} = 1650$ ,  $Q_{031} = 2171$ , giving  $\alpha^* = 90^\circ = \gamma^*$ . The reciprocal cell constants, derived from the above six parameters are:  $a^* = 0.07874$ ,  $b^* = 0.1517$ ,  $c^* = 0.1005 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $\beta^* = 75^\circ 22'$  with which all the lines in the pattern could be indexed satisfactorily, within discrepancy  $|Q_{\text{obs}} - Q_{\text{calc}}| = 8$ , except the third and seventh line, which had discrepancies 10 and 12 respectively.

Following de Wolff (1968), from Table 2,  $Q_{20} = 1209$ ,  $X_{20} = 1$ ,  $N_{20} = 21$ ;  $\tilde{\epsilon} = 4.25$  and  $M_{20}$  calculated from formula (2) is 6.76. The indexing of the pattern of L- $\beta$ -phenylalanine is thus correct. The direct cell dimensions are  $a = 13.13$ ,  $b = 6.594$ ,  $c = 10.28 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $\beta = 104^\circ 38'$ , which after Buerger's (1957) method are found reduced and correspond to the primitive unit cell. The observed density is  $1.28 \text{ g.cm}^{-3}$  and density calculated for  $Z = 4$ , is  $1.27 \text{ g.cm}^{-3}$ .

The lines in the pattern were given all possible indices (Table 2) within the above discrepancy and the conditions limiting possible reflexions are:

$hkl$ , no condition  
 $h0l$ , no condition

Table 2. Powder pattern data of L- $\beta$ -phenylalanine

Intensity	$d$	$Q (104.1/d^2)$		$hkl$
		Observed	Calculated	
$vs$	13.60 $\text{\AA}$	54	62	100
$s$	10.35	93	101	001
$m$	8.672	133	123	10\bar{1}
$m$	6.972	206	203	101
$vs$	6.414	243	248	200
$m$	6.027	275	269	20\bar{1}
$vw$	5.733	304	292 (?)	110 (?)
$s$	5.451	336	331	011
$vs$	5.111	383	386	10\bar{2}
$s$	4.598	473	478	210
$vs$	4.323	535	539	30\bar{1}
$w$	4.218	562	558	300
$s$	4.023	618	616	11\bar{2}
$s$	3.900	657	659	211
$vw$ (bd.)	3.722	722	722	21\bar{2}, 30\bar{2}
$s$	3.514	810	812	202
$vs$	3.433	849	851	10\bar{3}
$s$	3.296	927	{ 920 933	40\bar{1}
$vw$	3.177	991		020
$vw$	2.950	1149	1147	21\bar{3}
$w$	2.876	1209	1202	302
$vvw$	2.827	1251	1253	401
$vs$	2.750	1322	1324	022
$w$	2.683	1389	1397	203
$vw$	2.632	1444	1451	50\bar{1}
$w$	2.546	1543	{ 1542 1550	204 500
$vw$	2.462	1650		32\bar{2}
$m$	2.344	1820	1827	303
$w$	2.265	1949	1946	412
$m$	2.146	2171	2171	031
$vw$	2.114	2238	2232	600
$vvw$	2.006	2485	2483	30\bar{5}
$vvw$	1.971	2574	2573	601
$vvw$	1.943	2649	2654	304
$vw$	1.908	2741	2747	323
$vw$	1.831	2983	2979	033
$vvw$	1.782	3149	3152	620
$vvw$	1.754	3250	3248	404

$0k0$ ,  $k = 2n$  (only three orders were in the range of observation). The probable space group is  $P2_1$  or  $P2_1/m$ . The former is assigned for the same reason as for L-methionine.

#### DL-Tyrosine

Pure DL-tyrosine was obtained from Sigma Chemical Co., St. Louis, U.S.A. It crystallizes from aqueous solution in very fine short needles, unlike L-tyrosine where these needles were longer and a fibre diagram (Khawas & Krishna Murti, 1969) about the needle axis could be taken. X-ray patterns of the powdered crystals were taken. An application of the tests of higher symmetries (Azároff & Buerger, 1958) to the observed  $Q$  values (Table 3) showed that the crystal system was not cubic, tetragonal, or hexagonal but a number of constant  $\Delta Q$  values were observed, which suggested that crystal system might be orthorhombic. The  $Q$  values were multiplied by  $\lambda^2/4$  to get corresponding  $\sin^2 \theta$  values (Table 3), and the pattern was analysed by Lipson's (1949) method, giving the fol-

lowing constants for a satisfactory indexing of all observed lines, where  $\lambda=1.5418 \text{ \AA}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\sin^2 \theta_{100} &= 13.14 \\ \sin^2 \theta_{010} &= 173.6 \\ \sin^2 \theta_{001} &= 31.8\end{aligned}$$

Table 3. Powder pattern data of DL-tyrosine

Intensity	$d$	$10^4 \sin^2 \theta$		$hkl$
		Observed	Calculated	
<i>vw</i>	10.60 Å	53	53	200
<i>s</i>	6.510	140	140	102
<i>vs</i>	5.733	181	180	202
<i>s</i>	5.294	212	210	400
<i>vs</i>	4.893	248	245	302
<i>vs</i>	4.473	297	292	310
<i>vs</i>	4.124	349	353	212
<i>s</i>	3.917	387	384	410
<i>m</i>	3.761	419	{ 416 420	411 312
<i>vs</i>	3.576	465	{ 460 509	013 004
<i>vs</i>	3.408	512	{ 511 512	412 213
<i>vs</i>	3.243	565	{ 561 627	204 304
<i>vs</i> (bd.)	3.084	625	{ 629 694	512 020
<i>vs</i>	2.927	694	{ 696 732	114 214
<i>m</i>	2.849	732	735	214
<i>vs</i>	2.730	797	801	314
<i>s</i>	2.639	853	849	711
<i>w</i>	2.578	894	893	414
<i>m</i>	2.528	930	932	613
<i>m</i>	2.442	996	994	123
<i>s</i>	2.407	1027	{ 1021 1023	215 520
<i>s</i> (bd.)	2.254	1169	1166	620
<i>m</i>	2.189	1241	1238	910
<i>m</i>	2.126	1314	1314	10, 0, 0
<i>s</i>	2.091	1359	{ 1355 1365	406 912
<i>m</i>	2.034	1436	{ 1436 1441	316 615; 10, 0, 2
<i>s</i>	1.977	1521	{ 1519 1523	10, 1, 1 814
<i>w</i>	1.937	1584	1590	11, 0, 0
<i>s</i>	1.893	1659	1663	822
<i>w</i>	1.863	1712	{ 1712 1717	331 11, 2, 0
<i>vw</i>	1.824	1786	{ 1784 1789	217 706
<i>vw</i>	1.777	1882	1886	616; 921
<i>vvw</i>	1.749	1943	1943	922
<i>vw</i>	1.708	2037	{ 2035 2034	417 008
<i>vw</i>	1.684	2095	{ 2098 2099	12, 1, 1 11, 0, 4
<i>s</i>	1.660	2157	{ 2153 2159	308 816
<i>s</i>	1.625	2251	2245	408
<i>m</i>	1.599	2325	{ 2327 2330	328 825
<i>vvw</i>	1.569	2414	{ 2410 2412	235 418; 11, 2, 2
<i>w</i>	1.546	2486	2483	726
<i>vvw</i>	1.530	2539	{ 2536 2543	518 634
<i>m</i>	1.483	2702	2703	14, 0, 2

Table 3 (cont.)

		$10^4 \sin^2 \theta$	Calculated	$hkl$
<i>m</i>	1.456	2803	{ 2802 2803	219 10, 2, 5
<i>vw</i>	1.430	2906	{ 2903 2905	926; 13, 1, 4 042
<i>vw</i>	1.418	2956	{ 2957 2960	11, 1, 6 242
<i>vw</i>	1.380	3121	{ 3116 3121	834 037
<i>vw</i>	1.329	3365	{ 3364 3365	15, 0, 0
<i>w</i>	1.308	3473	{ 3472 3588	145
<i>w</i>	1.287	3588	{ 3590 3593	819 637

To apply de Wolff's (1968) test, we can write

$(\sin^2 \theta)_{20} = 996$ , the  $\sin^2 \theta$  value for 20th observed and indexed line,

$N_{20} = 25$ , the number of different  $\sin^2 \theta$  values calculated up to  $(\sin^2 \theta)_{20}$

$\bar{\varepsilon} = 2.3$ , the average discrepancy in  $\sin^2 \theta$  values,

and  $M_{20} = 8.70$  calculated from formula (2).

This shows that the indexing is substantially correct. The unit cell derived has  $a = 21.26$ ,  $b = 5.852$ ,  $c = 13.68 \text{ \AA}$ . Assuming  $Z = 8$ , the density calculated is  $1.41 \text{ g.cm}^{-3}$  and observed density is  $1.37 \text{ g.cm}^{-3}$ .

All the possible indices for each observed line within a discrepancy of  $|\sin^2 \theta_{\text{obs}} - \sin^2 \theta_{\text{calc}}| = 6$ , were given. the conditions limiting possible reflexions from Table 3 are:

$hkl$ , no condition

$h0l$ ,  $l = 2n$

$0kl$ ,  $k+l=2n$

$hk0$ , no condition.

The probable space group is  $Pnc2$  or  $Pncm$ . The former is assigned for an organic molecule.

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