# Crystal and Molecular Structure of the Red Form of $\operatorname{Bis}(N, N$-diethylethylenediamine)copper(II) Perchlorate 

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#### Abstract

The investigation of the structure of red thermochromic bis( $N, N$-diethylethylenediamine)copper(II) perchlorate is the first of two studies for explaining its $46^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ transition to a violet form. The crystals are triclinic at room temperature, space group $C \overline{1}, a=17.868$ (1), $b=8.104$ (1), $c=10.039$ (1) $\AA, \alpha=$ $90 \cdot 40(1), \beta=131 \cdot 63(1), \gamma=90 \cdot 45(2)^{\circ}, d=1.511 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~cm}^{-3}, V($ unit cell) $)=1086 \AA^{3}$, and $Z=2$. The structure was determined by the heavy-atom technique. Intensities were obtained from $\theta-2 \theta$ scans with a fourcircle automatic diffractometer using graphite-monochromatized Mo K $\alpha$ radiation. The 1306 reffections were refined to $R=0.040$ by full-matrix least squares. The crystal is composed of $\mathrm{Cu}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{NCH}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{NEt}_{2}\right)_{2}^{2+}$ cations and $\mathrm{ClO}_{4}^{-}$anions. The $\mathrm{Cu}^{11}$ is coordinated to two molecules of $N, N$-diethylethylenediamine through the N atoms resulting in a square-planar $\mathrm{Cu}_{4}$ stoichiometry. The five-membered Cu -diamine rings adopt a symmetrical-skew conformation with the ring C atoms lying 0.322 and $0.329 \AA$ above and below the $\mathrm{CuN}_{4}$ plane. The bond distances are $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}($ primary $)$ 2.003 (4), $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}($ tertiary $) 2.060$ (4), $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C}($ mean $) 1 \cdot 485, \mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C}$ (mean) $1.497 \AA$. The $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}(2)$ angle is $84 \cdot 4$ (2) $)^{\circ}$. The $\mathrm{ClO}_{4}^{-}$anion is tetrahedral, $\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{O}$ distance (mean) $1 \cdot 405 \AA$ and $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{O}$ angle $109 \cdot 4^{\circ}$. The oxygens, $\mathrm{O}(3)$, nearest to Cu are $3 \cdot 649$ (5) $\AA$ away. The vector $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{O}\left(3^{\prime}\right)$ intersects the $\mathrm{CuN}_{4}$ plane at $59 \cdot 5^{\circ}$.


## Introduction

The thermochromic substance
$\mathrm{Cu}\left(\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{NCH}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{NH}_{2}\right)_{2}\left(\mathrm{ClO}_{4}\right)_{2}$, hereafter called compound I, changes color from brick red to violet near $46^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The vibrational, electronic and magnetic properties of this compound have been extensively studied at various temperatures. The crystal structures of several related bis(ethylenediamine)-copper complexes have been determined (Pajunen, 1967, 1969; Nasanen, Virtamo \& Myllymaki, 1966) together with their electronic and far-infrared spectra (Lever \& Mantovani, 1971). Two extreme structures were recognized: a square-planar complex with an in-plane $\mathrm{CuN}_{4}$ stoichiometry and with the anionic X groups beyond bonding distance, and a tetragonally distorted octahedral complex with axially coordinating X groups. The position of the $d$ - $d$ absorption bands has been taken as an indication of the degree of tetragonal distortion. A correlation was made between these bands and the highest energy $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}$ stretching mode. It was postulated that an increase in the in-plane field strength due to a tightening up of the in-plane bond when the axial interaction weakens has an effect on the in-plane $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}$ stretching frequency. Both the electronic transition and the metal-ligand stretching frequencies increase as the structure becomes more tetragonally distorted. The decrease in the electronic band maximum of compound I from 20700 to $19305 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ and the de-

[^0]crease in the $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}$ stretching frequency from 405 to $403 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ as the temperature increases from 22 to $78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ was taken as the result of a decrease in the tetragonality of the complex, which explains the changes that accompany the transition observed at $46^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (Lever, Mantovani \& Donini, 1971). It was also seen that the weak band appearing at $933 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ and which was assigned to a symmetric stretching vibration $v_{1}$ allowed in a $C_{3 v}$ symmetry intensifies by about $40 \%$ at $78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. This was assumed to be an increased ion perturbation arising through coordination of one O to $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}$. The variation in the frequency of the $d-d$ band with temperature has also been observed to correlate well with the transition temperature observed by differential scanning calorimetry (Fabbrizzi, Micheloni \& Paoletti, 1974; Andino, 1974).
ESR studies of compound I in the polycrystalline state at $-196,22$ and $80^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, and in the magneticallydilute state in $\mathrm{Ni}\left(a s-\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{en}\right)_{2}\left(\mathrm{ClO}_{4}\right)_{2}$ powder at -196, 22 and $120^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ were performed by Yokoi, Sai \& Isobe (1969). Assuming compound 1 to be trans-square coplanar with the two perchlorate anions located at the axial positions and knowing the relations between the ESR data and the covalency parameters, it was concluded that the difference in structure of compound I in the magnetically-dilute state at the three temperatures lies mainly in the axial coordination and that the axial ligand field is strengthened as the temperature increases. The behavior of compound I in the polycrystalline state at 22 and $80^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ was different, which led them to believe that this phase transition was of a
different kind and possibly accompanies a structural change in the equatorial coordination.

It seemed obvious that structural information on these complexes would be useful in understanding the mechanism of the thermochromism. This paper describes the structure of the low-temperature form of compound I.

## Experimental

## Preparation and identification

Brick-red crystals of compound I were prepared by Pfeiffer \& Glaser's (1938) method and purified by recrystallization from water. The IR spectrum of the compound was the same as that reported by Lever \& Mantovani (1971). The spectrum was recorded from Nujol mulls on NaCl plates with a Perkin-Elmer 237B spectrophotometer. The percent Cu was determined by emission spectroscopy. The experimental value, $13 \cdot 0 \%$, agrees with the calculated value of $12 \cdot 8 \%$.

## $X$-ray data collection

Two crystals of similar habit and dimensions were mounted on thin glass fibers with Aremco Crystalbond 509 adhesive. Oscillation and Weissenberg photographs of both crystals, differing in orientation by ca $90^{\circ}$ from each other, were taken with $\mathrm{Cu} K \alpha(\lambda=1 \cdot 5418 \AA)$ radiation.
The photographs seemed to indicate a monoclinic cell. Weissenberg photographs of eight levels with the spindle axis chosen as the $b$ axis showed systematic absences for ( $h k l$ ) of $h+k=2 n+1$ which is compatible with a $C$-centered unit cell. However, the fact that only $65 \%$ of the reflections which should be related by the mirror plane were really equivalent suggested the cell was triclinic, which was subsequently confirmed by diffractometer data.
In order to obtain intensity measurements a third crystal with dimensions $0.020 \times 0.035 \times 0.044 \mathrm{~cm}$ was cemented with epoxy cement to a thin glass fiber and mounted on a Nova-automated Syntex $P \overline{1}$ diffractometer equipped with a scintillation counter, a pulse height analyzer adjusted to admit $90 \%$ of the Mo $K \alpha$ peak $\left[\lambda\left(\alpha_{1}\right)=0.70926, \lambda\left(\alpha_{2}\right)=0.71354 \AA\right]$, and a crystalgraphite monochromator set at a Bragg $2 \theta$ angle of $12 \cdot 2^{\circ}$. The crystal was aligned optically, and the angular coordinates $2 \theta, \omega, \varphi, \chi$ of 15 reflections, obtained from an oscillation photograph, were centered automatically. Once centered, the reflections were used in a leastsquares refinement to determine the lattice constants and the orientation matrix from which the angle settings for all data were generated. A pseudo-monoclinic $C$-centered unit cell was chosen. The lattice parameters of $a=17 \cdot 868$ (1), $b=8.104$ (1), $c=10.039$ (1) $\AA, \alpha=$ 90.40 (1), $\beta=131.63$ (1) and $\gamma=90.45$ (2) ${ }^{\circ}$ were in accord with those calculated from the oscillation and Weissenberg photographs. The experimental density of $1.5108 \pm 0.0005 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~cm}^{-3}$, measured by flotation in bromobenzene and ethylene tetrachloride, agrees with
the value of $1.513 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~cm}^{-3}$ calculated for a unit cell of volume $1086 \AA^{3}$ containing two $\mathrm{Cu}\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{~N}_{2}\right)_{2}\left(\mathrm{ClO}_{4}\right)_{2}$ formula units. The total number of electrons per unit cell is 518 . The parameters of the smaller, standard triclinic cell were determined. The values obtained are: $a=8.76, b=9.78, c=8 \cdot 10 \AA, \alpha=114.0, \beta=116 \cdot 5, \gamma=$ $65 \cdot 3^{\circ}$. The volume of this cell is $543 \cdot 1 \AA^{3}$. The space group is $P \overline{\mathrm{I}}$.

Intensity data were collected via the $\theta-2 \theta$ scan mode with stationary-crystal stationary-counter background measurements on each side of a peak. The ratio of total background counting time to scan time was 0.667 . Variable scan speeds were used, the minimum scan speed being $2^{\circ} \mathrm{min}^{-1}$. Data were collected in four octants: $h k l, h k l, h \bar{k} l, \bar{h} \bar{k} l$ for $3^{\circ} \leq 2 \theta \leq 45^{\circ}$. Each reflection was sampled only once. Absent reflections due to $C$-centering were not scanned. Two reflections, 021 and $\overline{3} 11$, were measured every 50 data reflections and used as standards to check for instrument stability, crystal alignment, and crystal decay. There was no change greater than $2 \cdot 1 \%$ in the intensities of these standards during the entire experiment. There were 1335 reflections.

The intensity, $I$, of each reflection and its standard deviation, $\sigma(I)$, were calculated according to the formulae $I=S-B\left(T_{s} / T_{B}\right)$ and $\sigma(I)=\left\{S+\left[B\left(T_{s} / T_{B}\right)\right]^{2}+\right.$ $\left.\varrho\left(I^{2}\right)\right\}^{1 / 2}$ where $S$ is the total scan count measured for time $T_{s}, B$ the total background count measured for time $T_{B}$, and $\varrho$ is an estimate of standard error arbitrarily assigned a value of 0.003 . A lineer correction was also applied to compensate for the variable scan speeds.

All the intensities were corrected for Lorentz-polarization (Lp) effects, for the polarization produced by the monochromator, and reduced to $\left|F_{o}\right|$ by the use of a data reduction program.

The data obtained from the previous program were corrected for the extinction of reflected intensities, merged, and ordered to yield 1306 independent reflections. The 129 reflections with $I<2 \cdot 5 \sigma(I)$ were considered unobserved and eliminated.

The orientation of the crystal faces was found to be defined by the ( $11 \overline{1}$ ), ( $\overline{1} 11$ ), (110), ( $\overline{1} 10$ ), ( 100 ), and ( $\overline{1} 00$ ) crystal planes. An absorption correction was made with a linear absorption coefficient, $\mu$, of $13.34 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ for Mo $K \alpha$ radiation. The transmission coefficients varied from 0.636 to 0.798 (International Tables for X-ray Crystallography, 1968, p. 166, Table 3.2.2.B).

## Structure determination and refinement

The structure of compound I was determined by the heavy-atom technique. The two symmetry-related Cu atoms were arbitrarily placed in a $C$-centered unit cell at $0,0,0$ and $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0$. The initial positions of all the remaining non-H atoms were then found from a Fourier difference synthesis phased on the coordinates for the two Cu atoms. The crystallographic cell contains two discrete species: one of them a Cu atom at a center of inversion

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surrounded by two $N, N$-diethylethylenediamine molecules, and the other a Cl atom suriounded by four O atoms. A structure factor calculation with this model resulted in an unweighted $R_{1}$ value of $23.9 \%$ where $R_{1}=\left(\sum| | F_{o}\left|-\left|F_{c}\right|\right| / \Sigma\left|F_{o}\right|\right) \times 100$. An isotı opic, full-matrix least-squares refinement based on the minimization of $\sum \omega_{i}| | F_{o}\left|-\left|F_{c}\right|^{2}\right.$ with the individual weights $\omega_{l}=$ $1 / \sigma^{2}\left(F_{o}\right)$ lowered the $R_{1}$ value to $11 \cdot 6 \%$. The refined positional coordinates and isotropic thermal factors for all non- H atoms were used in a Fourier difference synthesis. At this point the difference map showed possible peaks due to the H atoms from the $N, N-$


Fig. 1. View of the $\left[\mathrm{Cu}\left(\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{NCH}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{NH}_{2}\right)_{2}\right]^{2+}$ cation lying on a crystallographic center of symmetry and two centrosymmetrically related $\mathrm{ClO}_{4}^{-}$anions. All non- H atoms are represented by $50 \%$ probability thermal ellipsoids.
diethylethylenediamine molecule. A series of anisotropic, full-matrix least-squares refinements of the Cu , $\mathrm{Cl}, \mathrm{O}, \mathrm{N}$ and C atoms coupled with positional refinement for $\mathbf{H}$ atoms (with constant isotropic thermal parameters of 5.0 ) resulted in $R_{1}=0.040$ and $R_{2}=0.058$ at convergence, where $R_{2}$ is defined as $R_{2}=\left[\Sigma \omega_{i}| | F_{o} \mid-\right.$ $\left.\left|F_{c}\right|^{2} / \sum \omega_{i}\left|F_{o}\right|^{2}\right]^{1 / 2}$. A final Fourier difference map revealed no residual electron density greater than 0.8 e $\AA^{-3}$.

The positional and thermal parameters from the output of the final full-matrix least-squares refinement are given in Table 1. The interatomic distances and bond angles with estimated standard deviations were calculated with the Busing, Martin \& Levy (1964) ORFFE program. The results appear in Table 2. Perpendicular distances of all non-H atoms from the $\mathrm{CuN}_{4}$ plane are presented in Table 3. The molecular geometry and unit-cell views of compound I are given in Figs. 1, 2, and 3.*

The scattering factor tables used for all non- H atoms were those of Cromer \& Mann (1968); those for hydrogen atoms are from Stewart, Davidson \& Simpson (1965). Real and imaginary corrections for anomalous dispersion (i.e. $\Delta f^{\prime}=0 \cdot 3, \Delta f^{\prime \prime}=1 \cdot 3$ for $\mathrm{Cu} ; \Delta f^{\prime}=0 \cdot 1$, $\Delta f^{\prime \prime}=0.2$ for Cl ) were included in the structure factor calculations (International Tables, 1968, p. 215, Table 3.2.2.C). These calculations were performed either on a Univac 1108 computer (Computing Center, Univ. of

[^1]Table 1. Positional and thermal parameters of $\left[\mathrm{Cu}\left(\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{NCH}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{NH}_{2}\right)_{2}\right]\left(\mathrm{ClO}_{4}\right)_{2}$
Standard deviations in parentheses; temperature factor has the form: $\exp \left[-\left(B_{11} h^{2}+B_{22} k^{2}+B_{33} l^{2}+2 B_{12} h k+2 B_{13} h l+2 B_{23} k l\right)\right]$; $B$ for H atoms is $5.0 \AA^{2}$; parameters for non- H atoms $\times 10^{4}$, for H atoms $\times 10^{3}$.


Wisconsin), or an IBM 7094 computer (Chemistry Department, Univ. of Wisconsin). The programs used

Table 2. Interatomic distances and angles with standard deviations
(a) Interatomic distances ( $\AA$ )

| $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}(1)$ | $2.003(4)$ | $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{H}(5)$ | $1.06(5)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}(2)$ | $2.060(4)$ | $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{H}(6)$ | $0.91(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{O}(3)$ | $3.649(5)$ | $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $1.490(8)$ |
| $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $4.747(1)$ | $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{H}(7)$ | $0.94(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $1.462(6)$ | $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{H}(8)$ | $1 \cdot 10(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{H}(1)$ | $0.81(6)$ | $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{H}(9)$ | $0.92(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{H}(2)$ | $0.90(6)$ | $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{H}(10)$ | $0.89(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $1.478(6)$ | $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{H}(11)$ | $1.07(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $1.510(7)$ | $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | $1.499(8)$ |
| $\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $1.491(7)$ | $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{H}(12)$ | $1.01(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $1.503(7)$ | $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{H}(13)$ | $1.00(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{H}(3)$ | $1.04(5)$ | $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{H}(14)$ | $0.95(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{H}(4)$ | $0.89(6)$ | $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{H}(15)$ | $0.93(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{O}(1)$ | $1.422(4)$ | $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{H}(16)$ | $0.98(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{O}(2)$ | $1.408(4)$ | $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{N}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ | $3.091(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{O}(3)$ | $1.392(5)$ | $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{H}\left(2^{\prime}\right)$ | $2.34(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{O}(4)$ | $1.399(5)$ | $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{N}(1)$ | $3.072(8)$ |
|  |  | $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{H}(1)$ | $2.27(6)$ |

(b) Bond angles ( ${ }^{\circ}$ ) and angles of general interest

| $\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}(1)$ | $84 \cdot 4(2)$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $110 \cdot 5(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $106.7(1)$ |
| $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $101.7(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $116.7(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $112.7(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $110 \cdot 1(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $108.8(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $107 \cdot 7(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $110.4(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $117.0(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | $112.7(4)$ |

Table 3. Perpendicular distances $(\AA)$ of selected atoms from the $\mathrm{CuN}_{4}$ plane
The equation of the plane passing through $\mathrm{Cu}, \mathrm{N}(1), \mathrm{N}(2)$, $\mathrm{N}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$, and $\mathrm{N}\left(2^{\prime}\right)$ is $0.0041 x+0.9994 y-0.345 z=0$.

| $\mathrm{C}(1)$ | -0.322 | Cl | 3.666 |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)$ | 0.329 | $\mathrm{O}(1)$ | 4.773 |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)$ | 1.447 | $\mathrm{O}(2)$ | 4.124 |
| $\mathrm{C}(4)$ | 1.864 | $\mathrm{O}(3)$ | 3.064 |
| $\mathrm{C}(5)$ | -0.912 | $\mathrm{O}(4)$ | 2.725 |
| $\mathrm{C}(6)$ | -2.311 |  |  |

were those developed at the University of Wisconsin or at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory.

## General description of the crystal and molecular structure

The crystal structure is composed of discrete
$\mathrm{Cu}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{NCH}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{NEt}_{2}\right)_{2}^{2+}$ cations and $\mathrm{ClO}_{4}^{-}$anions. Each Cu atom is bonded to two molecules of $N, N-$ diethylethylenediamine through coordination with the N atoms of the bidentate ligand molecule. The resulting stereochemistry of the $\mathrm{Cu}^{11}$ is square planar with the two chelating ligands related to each other by a center of symmetry. The salient structural feature of this complex which distinguishes it from other ethylenediamine Cu complexes is that in this complex the $\mathrm{Cu}^{11}$ is fourcoordinate with the axial sites empty, rather than sixcoordinate.

The two independent $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}$ bond distances are in good agreement with the values found in other $N$-alkyl substituted ethylenediamines (Luukkonen, Pajunen \& Lehtonen, 1970; Pajunen, 1969; Pajunen \& Luukkonen, 1969). There seems to be a significant difference


Fig. 2. [010] projection of the triclinic unit cell of symmetry $C \overline{1}$ containing two ionic $\left[\mathrm{Cu}\left(\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{NCH}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{NH}_{2}\right)_{2}\right]^{2+}\left(\mathrm{ClO}_{4}^{-}\right)_{2}$ formula species.
between the primary and tertiary N atom bonding distances. The $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}($ primary $)$ distance is 2.003 (4) $\AA$, while the $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}$ (tertiary) distance is $[2.060$ (4) $\AA$. Similar values are observed for the $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}$ (primary) bond length of 2.004 (5) $\AA$ and $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}$ (secondary) bond length of 2.066 (5) $\AA$ in the
$\mathrm{Cu}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{NCH}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{NHCH}_{3}\right)_{2}\left(\mathrm{ClO}_{4}\right)_{2}$ complex and with the $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}$ (secondary) bond lengths of 2.054 (mean) and $2.062 \AA$ (mean) found in
$\mathrm{Cu}\left[\mathrm{H}(\mathrm{Me}) \mathrm{NCH}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{NHMe}_{2}\left(\mathrm{NO}_{3}\right)_{2}\right.$ and
$\left\{\mathrm{Cu}\left[\mathrm{H}(\mathrm{Et}) \mathrm{NCH}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{NHEt}\right]_{2}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{2}\right\}\left(\mathrm{NO}_{3}\right)_{2}$ respectively. The $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}(2)$ bond angle of 84.4 (2) ${ }^{\circ}$ is near the strain-free value of $86 \cdot 2^{\circ}$ suggested by Corey \& Bailar (1959).
All bond distances and angles within the ligand also agree well with the previously reported values. The average $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C}$ and $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C}$ distances are 1.485 and $1.497 \AA$ respectively. The five-membered chelate ring formed by the complexing of the Cu atom with the bidentate ligand adopts a symmetrical-skew conformation with the ring $C$ atoms lying at 0.322 and $0.329 \AA$ above and below the $\mathrm{CuN}_{4}$ plane.

The diethyl groups substituted on the N atoms are presumed to constitute a sufficient steric factor in preventing octahedral-like coordination of the perchlorate O atoms to $\mathrm{Cu}^{\text {II }}$ (Fig. 1). The nearest perchlorate O atom, $\mathrm{O}(3)$, is 3.649 (5) $\AA$ from $\mathrm{Cu}^{\mathrm{II}}$ and the $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{O}\left(3^{\prime}\right)$ vector makes an angle of $59.5^{\circ}$ with the $\mathrm{CuN}_{4}$ plane.

The $\mathrm{ClO}_{4}^{-}$anion has an approximately tetrahedral configuration with the average $\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{O}$ bond distance $1 \cdot 405 \AA$ and an average $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{O}$ angle of $109 \cdot 4^{\circ}$. The deviation of the $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{O}(3)$ angles of 113.0 (3) ${ }^{\circ}$ from the usual tetrahedral angles might be due to hydrogen bonding of the $\mathrm{O}(1)$ and $\mathrm{O}(3)$ atoms. Each perchlorate ion is involved in two $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ hydrogen bonds with two neighboring complex cations. The
$\mathrm{H}\left(2^{\prime}\right) \cdots \mathrm{O}(1)$ and $\mathrm{O}(3) \cdots \mathrm{H}(1)$ distances of 2.34 (6) and 2.27 (6) $\AA$, respectively, are shorter than the sum of the van der Waals radii for O and $\mathrm{H}: 2 \cdot 6 \AA$ if based on the commonly used values (Hamilton \& Ibers, 1968; Pauling, 1960) or $2.4 \AA$ if a more recent value for H is used (Baur, 1972). The observed N-O distances of 3.091 (6) and 3.072 (8) $\AA$ are reasonable. The $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ angles are 162 (5) and 173 (4).
Thus the structure observed confirms that proposed for the low-temperature form in which no coordination of the $\mathrm{ClO}_{4}^{-}$anion to the square Cu complex occurs. Work on the higher-temperature form is in progress.

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Fig. 3. [001] projection of the centrosymmetric $C$-centered triclinic unit cell. Both H atoms on the amine $\mathrm{N}(1)$ are hydrogenbonded to perchlorate O atoms $\left[v i z \mathrm{~N}(1)-\mathrm{H}(1) \cdots \mathrm{O}(3)\right.$ and $\left.\mathrm{N}\left(1^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{H}\left(2^{\prime}\right) \cdots \mathrm{O}(1)\right]$.

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# La Structure Cristalline de $\mathbf{C s}_{2} \mathbf{N a A l}_{3} \mathbf{F}_{12}$ 

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#### Abstract

$\mathrm{Cs}_{2} \mathrm{NaAl}_{3} \mathrm{~F}_{12}$ is rhombohedral, space group $R \overline{3} m$, with $a=7 \cdot 310(5) \AA, \alpha=57 \cdot 45(0 \cdot 10)^{\circ}, Z=1$. Singlecrystal diffraction data collected on an automatic four-circle diffractometer have been refined by fullmatrix least-squares calculations to a weighted $R^{\prime}$ value of 0.036 (unweighted $R=0.028$ ) for 305 observed reflexions. The structure consists of trigonal ( $\left.\mathrm{AlF}_{4}^{-}\right)_{n}$ layers linked by $\mathrm{NaF}_{6}$ octahedra; it can also be considered as a pyrochlore-type structure with a $\frac{1}{3}$ order between $16(c)$ cationic sites.


Depuis les travaux sur les pyrochlores fluorés du type $\mathrm{RbNiCrF}_{6}$ (Babel, Pausewang \& Viebahn, 1967; Babel, 1972), l'étude des composés isotypes a été largement développée par différents auteurs (Jacoboni, 1970, 1975; Banks, Berkooz \& de Luca, 1971). Pour notre part, nous avons étudié une possibilité de substitution des ions de transition qui se répartissent dans les sites 16(c) du groupe spatial Fd3m (Courbion, Jacoboni \& de Pape, 1971). Ainsi, en effectuant la substitution cationique $2 \mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{II}} \rightarrow \mathrm{M}^{1}+\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{II}}$, nous obtenons des composés du type $\mathrm{AM}_{0}{ }_{0}^{14} \mathrm{M}_{1,5}^{\mathrm{II}} \mathrm{F}_{6}$ ou $\mathrm{A}_{2} \mathrm{M}^{1} \mathrm{M}_{3}^{\mathrm{III}} \mathrm{F}_{12}$. Une telle formulation met en évidence une possibilité d'ordre cationique 1-3 dans les sites $16(c)$.

Le composé $\mathrm{Cs}_{2} \mathrm{NaAl}_{3} \mathrm{~F}_{12}$ présente une symétrie rhomboédrique; une étude précédente, réalisée sur le composé pulvérulent nous a permis de mettre en évidence la répartition ordonnée du sodium et de l'aluminium, la symétrie étant de ce fait abaissée au groupe spatial $R \overline{3} m$ (Courbion, Jacoboni \& de Pape, 1974).

Le présent travail a pour but de préciser la structure du composé $\mathrm{Cs}_{2} \mathrm{NaAl}_{3} \mathrm{~F}_{12}$ par une étude cristallographique réalisée sur monocristal.

## Préparation et enregistrement

La synthèse des monocristaux de $\mathrm{Cs}_{2} \mathrm{NaAl}_{3} \mathrm{~F}_{12}$ a été réalisée par la méthode du flux (Jacoboni 1970, 1975; Nouet, Jacoboni, Ferey, Gérard \& de Pape, 1971) dans un bain de chlorures de composition $(\mathrm{NaCl}+3 \mathrm{CsCl})$
voisine d'un eutectique fondant vers $490^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. La réaction utilisée pour la synthèse est

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\begin{array}{r}
7 \mathrm{CsCl}+\mathrm{NaCl}+2 \mathrm{NaF}+\mathrm{CsF}+3 \mathrm{AlF}_{3} \stackrel{\mathrm{~F}_{3}}{\mathrm{Cs}_{2} \mathrm{NaAl}_{3} \mathrm{~F}_{12}+6 \mathrm{CsCl}}+2 \mathrm{NaCl} .
\end{array}
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Après refroidissement lent à $5^{\circ} \mathrm{Ch}^{-1}$, nous avons isole du bain des cristaux transparents dont la forme généralé est le rhomboèdre tronqué suivant l'axe [111].

Les clichés de Laue ainsi que l'étude optique au goniomètre à deux cercles, conduisent sans ambiguïté à la classe de symétrie $\overline{3} \mathrm{~m}$. La maille hexagonale de

Tableau 1. Données cristallographiques de $\mathrm{Cs}_{2} \mathrm{NaAl}_{3} \mathrm{~F}_{12}$



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[^1]:    * A list of structure factors has been deposited with the British Library Lending Division as Supplementary Publication No. SUP 31908 ( 8 pp .). Copies may be obtained through The Executive Secretary, International Union of Crystallography, 13 White Friars, Chester CH1 1NZ, England.

