# 2,6-Dimethyl-3,5-diacetyl-4-( $\beta$-pyridyl)-1,4-dihydropyridine 

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#### Abstract

C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}\), monoclinic, $P 2_{1} / a, a=$ 8.720 (2), $b=21.701$ (3), $c=8.214$ (2) $\AA, \beta=$ $111.81(2)^{\circ}, V=1443 \AA^{3}, Z=4, D_{m}=1.25, D_{x}=$ $1.24 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~cm}^{-3}, \mu(\mathrm{CuKa})=6.8 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}, F(000)=576$. The structure was solved by direct methods and refined to an $R$ of 0.044 for 1585 unique diffractometer data. The pyridyl ring plane perpendicularly bisects the 1,4dihydropyridine ring which forms a flat boat.


Introduction. The title compound is one of the substituted dihydropyridine compounds with potential cytotoxic activity (Nantka-Namirski \& Balicki, 1974). A well shaped yellow needle of the compound (approximately $0.1 \times 0.15 \times 0.1 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) was used to measure the cell parameters and intensities on a CAD-4 (EnrafNonius) four-circle diffractometer (SLAF \& BS, Kraków, Poland). Data were collected to a maximum $2 \theta=120^{\circ}$ with graphite-monochromatized Cu Ka radiation ( $\lambda=1.54178 \AA, \theta-2 \theta$ scan). Of 2182 reflections measured, 1585 were selected according to $F_{o}>1 \cdot 5 \sigma\left(F_{o}\right)$ (based on counting statistics). No correction for absorption was made.

The structure was solved by direct methods and

Table 1. Fractional coordinates ( $\times 10^{4}$ ) with e.s.d.'s in parentheses

|  | $x$ | $y$ | $z$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $y$ |  |  |
| $\mathrm{~N}(1)$ | $4965(3)$ | $1180(1)$ | $3658(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $4110(4)$ | $650(2)$ | $2959(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $2783(4)$ | $481(1)$ | $3364(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $2214(4)$ | $900(1)$ | $4502(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $3582(4)$ | $1339(1)$ | $5620(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $4823(4)$ | $1484(2)$ | $5053(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(6)$ | $699(4)$ | $1260(1)$ | $3384(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $-824(5)$ | $1162(2)$ | $3522(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{N}(2)$ | $-2211(3)$ | $1461(1)$ | $2583(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(8)$ | $-2130(5)$ | $1878(2)$ | $1407(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(9)$ | $-679(5)$ | $2008(2)$ | $1160(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(10)$ | $742(4)$ | $1695(1)$ | $2193(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(11)$ | $2165(6)$ | $1401(2)$ | $7843(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(12)$ | $3459(4)$ | $1615(2)$ | $7175(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)$ | $4366(3)$ | $2039(2)$ | $7975(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(13)$ | $6125(5)$ | $1974(2)$ | $5804(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(14)$ | $4829(5)$ | $313(2)$ | $1793(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(15)$ | $1947(6)$ | $-520(2)$ | $1407(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(16)$ | $1760(5)$ | $-69(1)$ | $2729(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(2)$ | $618(4)$ | $-157(1)$ | $3236(3)$ |

refined by a full-matrix least-squares routine with anisotropic thermal parameters for non-hydrogen atoms and isotropic for H . The H atoms were located from a difference map. The quantity minimized was $\Sigma w\left(\left|F_{o}\right|-\left|F_{c}\right|\right)^{2}$, where $w=1 / \sigma^{2}\left(F_{o}\right)$. The final $R$ value was $0.044\left(R_{w}=0.038\right)$.* The average shift/ error value was 0.02 . The X-ray atomic scattering factors used were taken from International Tables for $X$-ray Crystallography (1962). The computations were performed on a CDC 6600 (CYBER-72) computer using programs included in the XRAY 70 system (Stewart, Kundell \& Baldwin, 1970) and the drawing program ORTEP (Johnson, 1965).

Discussion. Atomic coordinates are given in Tables 1 and 2. The interatomic distances are listed in Tables 3 and 4. Details of some least-squares planes in the molecule are given in Table 5. The bond lengths and

[^0]Table 2. Refined hydrogen coordinates ( $\times 10^{3}$ ) and thermal parameters $\left(\AA^{2}\right)$ with e.s.d.'s in parentheses

|  | Bonded to | $x$ | $y$ | $z$ | $B_{\text {iso }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H(1) | $\mathrm{N}(1)$ | 575 (4) | 128 (2) | 329 (4) | 4.4 (1.0) |
| H(2) | C(3) | 193 (4) | 64 (2) | 533 (4) | 3.5 (0.8) |
| H(3) | C(7) | -91 (4) | 87 (2) | 433 (4) | 4.7 (1.0) |
| H(4) | C(8) | -333 (5) | 205 (2) | 49 (5) | 5.3 (1.0) |
| H(5) | C(9) | -66 (4) | 233 (2) | 21 (4) | 4.8 (1.0) |
| H(6) | C(10) | 178 (4) | 175 (2) | 196 (4) | 4.4 (0.9) |
| H(7) | C(1) | 85 (5) | 151 (2) | 679 (5) | 7.0 (1.1) |
| H(8) | C(11) | 251 (5) | 154 (2) | 925 (5) | 6.9 (1.1) |
| H(9) | C(11) | 214 (5) | 99 (2) | 788 (5) | $6 \cdot 5$ (1.1) |
| H(10) | C(13) | 678 (5) | 188 (2) | 702 (5) | 6.8 (1.2) |
| H(11) | C(13) | 575 (5) | 236 (2) | 605 (5) | 7.2 (1.2) |
| H(12) | C(13) | 681 (5) | 202 (2) | 527 (5) | $7 \cdot 2$ (1.2) |
| H(13) | C(14) | 554 (6) | 59 (2) | 161 (5) | 7.8 (1.2) |
| H(14) | C(14) | 546 (5) | -7 (2) | 258 (5) | 7.6 (1.2) |
| H(15) | C(14) | 403 (5) | 25 (2) | 59 (5) | 7.4 (1-2) |
| H(16) | C(15) | 298 (6) | -72 (2) | 192 (6) | 7.8 (1.2) |
| H(17) | C(15) | 114 (6) | -81 (2) | 119 (5) | 7.8 (1.3) |
| H(18) | C(15) | 176 (5) | -30 (2) | 17 (6) | 7.8 (1.3) |

valence angles in the 1,4 -dihydropyridine ring are generally close to those found in $N$-benzyl-1,4-dihydronicotinamide (Karle, 1961), except for the $\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C}$ double-bond lengths. The mean value of these (1.365

Table 3. Bond distances ( $\AA$ ) with e.s.d.'s in parentheses

|  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $1.376(4)$ | $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{H}(1)$ | $0.89(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(14)$ | $1.513(6)$ | $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{H}(2)$ | $0.99(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $1.37(6)$ | $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{H}(3)$ | $0.93(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(16)$ | $1.465(4)$ | $\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{H}(4)$ | $1.10(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{C}(15)$ | $1.515(6)$ | $\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{H}(5)$ | $1.07(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ | $1.229(6)$ | $\mathrm{C}(10)-\mathrm{H}(6)$ | $1.00(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $1.514(5)$ | $\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{H}(7)$ | $1.17(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $1.546(4)$ | $\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{H}(8)$ | $1.12(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(12)$ | $1.450(5)$ | $\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{H}(9)$ | $0.89(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{C}(11)$ | $1.500(7)$ | $\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{H}(10)$ | $0.97(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{O}(1)$ | $1.231(4)$ | $\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{H}(11)$ | $0.95(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $1.364(6)$ | $\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{H}(12)$ | $0.87(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(13)$ | $1.511(5)$ | $\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{H}(13)$ | $0.91(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{N}(1)$ | $1.367(5)$ | $\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{H}(14)$ | $1.07(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | $1.515(4)$ | $\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{H}(15)$ | $0.99(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | $1.391(6)$ | $\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{H}(16)$ | $0.95(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{N}(2)$ | $1.336(4)$ | $\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{H}(17)$ | $0.91(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | $1.343(5)$ | $\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{H}(18)$ | $1.08(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(9)$ | $1.383(6)$ |  |  |
| $\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{C}(10)$ | $1.391(4)$ |  |  |
| $\mathrm{C}(10)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | $1.369(5)$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |

Table 4. Bond angles $\left(^{\circ}\right)$ with e.s.d.'s in parentheses

| 1)-C(5) | 123.3 (3) | $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(12)$ | 122.3 (3) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(14)$ | 112.3 (3) | $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{C}(11)$ | 120.5 (3) |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | 119.9 (3) | $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{O}(1)$ | 122.3 (4) |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(14)$ | 127.7 (3) | $\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{C}(12)-\mathrm{O}(1)$ | 117.2 (4) |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)$ | 119.3 (3) | $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{N}(1)$ | 120.4 (3) |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(16)$ | 114.5 (3) | $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{C}(13)$ | 126.5 (3) |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)-\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(16)$ | $126 \cdot 2$ (3) | $\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{N}(1)$ | 113.1 (3) |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{C}(15)$ | 124.6 (4) | $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(7)$ | 121.0 (3) |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ | 117.9 (3) | $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(10)$ | 122.6 (3) |
| $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(16)-\mathrm{C}(15)$ | 117.4 (3) | $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(10)$ | 116.3 (3) |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | 112.5 (3) | $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{N}(2)$ | 124.5 (3) |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | 110.4 (2) | $\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | 117.6 (3) |
| $\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | 110.5 (2) | $\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(9)$ | 122.6 (3) |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | 118.5 (3) | $\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{C}(10)$ | 117.8 (3) |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)-\mathrm{C}(12)$ | 119.2 (3) | $\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{C}(10)-\mathrm{C}(6)$ | 121.2 (4) |
| $\mathrm{H}(1)-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | 116 (2) | $\mathrm{H}(10)-\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | 110 (3) |
| $\mathrm{H}(1)-\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | 120 (2) | $\mathrm{H}(11)-\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | 116 (3) |
| $\mathrm{H}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(2)$ | 108 (2) | $\mathrm{H}(12)-\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{C}(5)$ | 115 (3) |
| $\mathrm{H}(2)-\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{C}(4)$ | 106 (2) | $\mathrm{H}(10)-\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{H}(11)$ | 94 (3) |
| H(3)-C(7)-C(6) | 119 (2) | $\mathrm{H}(10)-\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{H}(12)$ | 107 (4) |
| $\mathrm{H}(3)-\mathrm{C}(7)-\mathrm{N}(2)$ | 116 (2) | $\mathrm{H}(11)-\mathrm{C}(13)-\mathrm{H}(12)$ | 111 (4) |
| $\mathrm{H}(4)-\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{N}(2)$ | 115 (2) | $\mathrm{H}(13)-\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | 105 (3) |
| $\mathrm{H}(4)-\mathrm{C}(8)-\mathrm{C}(9)$ | 121 (2) | $\mathrm{H}(14)-\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | 104 (3) |
| $\mathrm{H}(5)-\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{C}(10)$ | 121 (2) | $\mathrm{H}(15)-\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | 113 (3) |
| $\mathrm{H}(5)-\mathrm{C}(9)-\mathrm{C}(8)$ | 121 (2) | $\mathrm{H}(13)-\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{H}(14)$ | 112 (4) |
| H(6)-C(10)-C(6) | 119 (2) | $\mathrm{H}(13)-\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{H}(15)$ | 101 (4) |
| H(6)-C(10)-C(9) | 119 (2) | $\mathrm{H}(14)-\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{H}(15)$ | 121 (3) |
| H(7)-C(11)-C(12) | 109 (2) | $\mathrm{H}(16)-\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{C}(16)$ | 108 (3) |
| $\mathrm{H}(8)-\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{C}(12)$ | 110 (2) | $\mathrm{H}(17)-\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{C}(16)$ | 108 (3) |
| H(9)-C(11)-C(12) | 111 (3) | $\mathrm{H}(18)-\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{C}(16)$ | 112 (2) |
| $\mathrm{H}(7)-\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{H}(8)$ | 121 (3) | $\mathrm{H}(16)-\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{H}(17)$ | 109 (4) |
| $\mathrm{H}(7)-\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{H}(9)$ | 101 (3) | $\mathrm{H}(16)-\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{H}(18)$ | 114 (4) |
| $\mathrm{H}(8)-\mathrm{C}(11)-\mathrm{H}(9)$ | 103 (3) | H(17)-C(15)-H(18) | 106 (3) |

$\AA$ ) is greater than that found by Karle ( $1.32 \AA$ ). C(3) and $\mathrm{N}(1)$ (Fig. 1) lie above the plane formed by $\mathrm{C}(1)$, $\mathrm{C}(2), \mathrm{C}(4)$ and $\mathrm{C}(5)$, thus forming a ring with a flatboat conformation. All methyl and acetyl substituents

## Table 5. Least-squares planes

The equations of the planes are of the form $P x+Q y+R z=S$, where $x, y$ and $z$ are in $\AA$ in orthogonal space.

|  | Atoms defining |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Plane | the plane | $P$ | $Q$ | $R$ | $S$ |
| 1 | $\begin{gathered} C(2), C(3), \\ C(4) \end{gathered}$ | $-0.0219$ | 0.6781 | $-0.7346$ | $-1.2078$ |
| 2 | $\begin{aligned} & C(1), C(2), \\ & C(4), C(5) \end{aligned}$ | 0.3688 | 0.6224 | -0.6904 | $-1.6535$ |
| 3 | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{N}(1), \mathrm{C}(1), \\ \mathrm{C}(5) \end{gathered}$ | $-0.5573$ | 0.5458 | -0.6257 | -2.1369 |
| 4 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{N}(2), \mathrm{C}(7), \\ & \mathrm{C}(9), \mathrm{C}(10) \end{aligned}$ | $-0.0563$ | 0.7124 | 0.6995 | 3.7838 |

Distances of atoms from the planes $(\AA)$
Plane $2 \quad$ Plane 4

|  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)$ | -0.016 | $\mathrm{C}(2)$ | 0.008 |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)$ | 0.015 | $\mathrm{C}(7)$ | -0.008 |
| $\mathrm{C}(4)$ | -0.015 | $\mathrm{C}(9)$ | -0.007 |
| $\mathrm{C}(5)$ | 0.016 | $\mathrm{C}(0)$ | 0.008 |
| $\mathrm{~N}(1)$ | 0.137 | $\mathrm{C}(6)$ | -0.006 |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)$ | 0.295 | $\mathrm{C}(8)$ | -0.003 |
| $\mathrm{C}(13)$ | -0.047 |  |  |
| $\mathrm{C}(14)$ | -0.233 |  |  |
| $\mathrm{C}(12)$ | -0.250 |  |  |
| $\mathrm{C}(16)$ | -0.136 |  |  |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)$ | -0.297 |  |  |
| $\mathrm{O}(2)$ | -0.095 |  |  |

Angles between the planes


Fig. 1. An ORTEP diagram of the molecule.

Table 6. Intermolecular distances less than $3.5 \AA$

| $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{C}\left(8^{\mathrm{i}}\right)$ | $3.317(4)$ | $\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{N}\left(2^{\text {ii }}\right)$ | $3.471(7)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{N}\left(2^{2 \mathrm{i}}\right)$ | $2.972(4)$ | $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}\left(9^{\text {iii }}\right)$ | $3.396(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{H}(1)-\mathrm{N}\left(2^{\mathrm{ii}}\right)$ | $2.11(4)$ | $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{O}\left(1^{\text {iv }}\right)$ | $3.347(5)$ |

Symmetry code

| (i) | $1+x, y, 1+z$ | (iii) | $-x$, | $-y$, |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| (ii) | $1+z, y$, | $z$ | (iv) | $-\frac{1}{2}+x$, |$\frac{1}{2}-y, \quad-1+z$

are slightly below this plane. Both acetyl groups are directed counter to one another showing that there is no symmetry element in the molecule. Practically the same $\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{O}$ bond lengths are observed for both carbonyl groups. The $\beta$-pyridyl ring is attached to $\mathrm{C}(3)$ in a pseudo-axial position and lies in a plane perpendicular to the mean plane of the 1,4 -dihydropyridine ring. The calculation of the intermolecular distances (Table 6) reveals the possible existence of a hydrogen bond between the $\mathrm{N}(1)$ and $\mathrm{N}\left(2^{\mathrm{ii}}\right)$ atoms belonging to
neighbouring molecules: $\mathrm{H}(1) \cdots \mathrm{N}\left(2^{\text {ii }}\right)$ is $2 \cdot 11$ (4) $\AA$ and $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{H}(1) \cdots \mathrm{N}\left(2^{\mathrm{ii}}\right)$ is $175(3)^{\circ}$. In this way the molecules form parallel straight chains along the $x$ axis of the asymmetric unit, the bonded molecules having the same symmetry operation with an $x$ translation.

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# Copper(II) Phosphate 

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#### Abstract

Triclinic, $P \overline{1}, a=4.8537$ (7), $b=5.2855$ (6), $c=6.1821$ (8) $\AA, a=72.35$ (1), $\beta=86.99$ (1), $\gamma=$ $68.54(1)^{\circ}, \mathrm{Cu}_{3}\left(\mathrm{PO}_{4}\right)_{2}, Z=1, D_{x}=4.503 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~cm}^{-3}$, isostructural with stranskiite. Crystals were grown hydrothermally from $0.1 \mathrm{M} \mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{PO}_{4}$ at $450^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ at 40000 p.s.i.


Introduction. As part of a continuing study of the crystal chemistry of basic phosphates of the divalent Cu ion (Anderson, Shoemaker, Kostiner \& Ruszala, 1977; Shoemaker, Anderson \& Kostiner, 1977) we have grown single crystals of anhydrous $\mathrm{Cu}_{3}\left(\mathrm{PO}_{4}\right)_{2}$ and determined its crystal structure.

Hanawalt, Rinn \& Frevel (1938) reported the X-ray powder diffraction pattern of a 'fused salt', $\mathrm{Cu}_{3}\left(\mathrm{PO}_{4}\right)_{2}$, which was positively identified by Royen \& Brenneis (1963). Although $\mathrm{Cu}_{3}\left(\mathrm{PO}_{4}\right)_{2}$ often appears in the literature as the assumed precipitation product of lowtemperature neutralization reactions, these reactions generally result in a highly hydrated amorphous mixture or a crystalline hydroxyphosphate [e.g.
libethenite, $\mathrm{Cu}_{2}\left(\mathrm{PO}_{4}\right) \mathrm{OH}$ ]. Crystals of $\mathrm{Cu}_{3}\left(\mathrm{PO}_{4}\right)_{2}$ of a size suitable for single-crystal X-ray diffraction have apparently not been produced and identified until this time.

A blue powder containing predominantly $\mathrm{Cu}_{3}\left(\mathrm{PO}_{4}\right)_{2}$ was produced by repeated sintering of $\left(\mathrm{NH}_{4}\right)_{2} \mathrm{HPO}_{4}$ and CuO at $1000^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 5 d . This powder was welded into a gold capsule with $0.1 \mathrm{M}_{3} \mathrm{PO}_{4}$ solution in the ratio of 0.1 g powder to 0.4 ml solution, placed into a cold-seal hydrothermal bomb and heated under hydrostatic pressure to $450^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Crystals of $\mathrm{Cu}_{3}\left(\mathrm{PO}_{4}\right)_{2}$ up to 0.4 mm in size have been produced after 5 d at $32000-$ 45000 p.s.i.

Precession photographs revealed triclinic symmetry. Subsequent analysis showed the space group to be $P \overline{1}$, in which the final refinements were carried out.

Attempts to grind a crystal into a spherical shape were foiled by a well-developed cleavage. Data were therefore collected on a small euhedral crystal with dimensions $0.11 \times 0.08 \times 0.08 \mathrm{~mm}\left(V=0.97 \times 10^{-3}\right.$ $\mathrm{cm}^{3}$ ). Three pairs of well-developed faces were found to


[^0]:    * Lists of structure factors and anisotropic thermal parameters have been deposited with the British Library Lending Division as Supplementary Publication No. SUP 32732 ( 3 pp. .). Copies may be obtained through The Executive Secretary, International Union of Crystallography, 13 White Friars, Chester CH1 INZ, England.

