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Produit de cyclisation: la dihydro-5,6 (oxo-2 propyl)-6 4H-pyrrolo[1,2-a]thiéno[3,2-f][diazépine-1,4]one-4. Errata. Par NGUYEN-HUY-DUNG, *Laboratoire de Chimie Minérale et Structurale, UER des Sciences Pharmaceutiques de Caen, 1 rue Vaubenard, 14032 Caen CEDEX, France* et SYLVAIN RAULT et MAX ROBBA, *Laboratoire de Pharmacie Chimique, UER des Sciences Pharmaceutiques de Caen, 1 rue Vaubenard, 14032 Caen CEDEX, France*

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Abstract

In the paper by Nguyen-Huy-Dung, Rault & Robba [*Acta Cryst.* (1979), **B35**, 1290–1293] the values given for M_r ,

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D_x and μ are incorrect. The correct values are: $M_r = 260.31$, $D_x = 1.40 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$, $\mu = 0.256 \text{ mm}^{-1}$.

Le résumé contient tous les détails.

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Some comments on refinement in a space group of unnecessarily low symmetry.* By VERNER SCHOMAKER, *Department of Chemistry, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington 98105, USA* and RICHARD E. MARSH, *Arthur Amos Noyes Laboratory of Chemical Physics, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, California 91125, USA*

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Abstract

Releasing the constraint of a center of symmetry causes a well known singularity, which, however, often goes unrecognized. Deleting an element of translational symmetry (transition to a supercell) also causes singularity. In contrast,

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deleting any element other than a center or a pure translation (to give a lower Laue group) is uneventful.

Lee (1971) has suggested that 'in cases where the space group is not absolutely certain, from a structural point of view it is safest (and cannot be wrong) to assume the lower symmetry'. In rebuttal, Donohue (1971) pointed out that the logical import of Lee's suggestion is that all structures should

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