# A Heteropolyanion with Fivefold Molecular Symmetry That Contains a Nonlabile Encapsulated Sodium Ion. The Structure and Chemistry of $\left[\mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{110}\right]^{14-}$ 

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#### Abstract

The title anion is formed as a byproduct in the synthesis of $\left[\mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{~W}_{18} \mathrm{O}_{62}\right]^{6-}$ and was first recognized by C. Preyssler [Bull. Soc. Chim. Fr. 1970, 30], who assigned it the formula $\left[\mathrm{HP}_{3} \mathrm{~W}_{18} \mathrm{O}_{66}\right]^{8-}$. Unit cell dimensions and densities of the potassium, ammonium, and barium salts now reveal a $\mathrm{P}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30}$ stoichiometry. A crystallographic investigation of $\left(\mathrm{NH}_{4}\right)_{14} \mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{110} \cdot 31 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ (triclinic, $P \mathrm{I} ; a=23.570$ (7) $\AA, b=17.821$ (5) $\AA, c=17.593$ (9) $\AA ; \alpha=112.17(3)^{\circ}, \beta=98.10(3)^{\circ}, \gamma=96.84(3)^{\circ} ; V$ $=6654 \AA^{3} ; Z=2$; density 3.97 (obsd), $4.11 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~cm}^{-3}$ (calcd)) has been carried out by using 6341 reflections (Mo K $\alpha$ radiation) and refined to a conventional $R$ of 0.055 . The anion structure has approximate $D_{5 h}$ symmetry and consists of a cyclic assembly of five $\mathrm{PW}_{6} \mathrm{O}_{22}$ units, each derived from the Keggin anion, $\left[\mathrm{PW}_{12} \mathrm{O}_{40}\right]^{3-}$, by removal of two sets of three corner-shared $\mathrm{WO}_{6}$ octahedra. A sodium ion is located within the polyanion on the fivefold axis and $1.25 \AA$ above the pseudomirror plane that contains the five phosphorus atoms. The reduction in symmetry caused by the sodium ion accounts for the previously reported four-line ${ }^{183} \mathrm{~W}$ NMR spectrum. A further reduction in symmetry to a chiral $C_{5}$ structure may be considered from systematic W atom displacements. Exchange of internal and external (cationic) sodium is very slow, and separate ${ }^{23} \mathrm{Na}$ NMR resonances are observed in aqueous ( $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ) solutions for the cation ( $0 \mathrm{ppm}, \Delta \nu_{1 / 2} 30 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ) and heteropolyanion ( $-21 \mathrm{ppm}, 460 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ). The internal sodium cannot be removed by conventional ion-exchange techniques, and the heteropolyanion could not be synthesized in the absence of $\mathrm{Na}^{+}$. Under extreme conditions (several hours at $120^{\circ} \mathrm{C}, \mathrm{pH} 8-9$ ) the internal $\mathrm{Na}^{+}$could be displaced by $\mathrm{Ca}^{2+}$ and (partly) by $\mathrm{Mg}^{2+}$. The heteropolyanion is hydrolytically stable at room temperature from $\mathrm{pH} 0-11$ and is reducible to heteropoly blue species. Solutions of the four- and eight-electron reduced species each show a single unbroadened ${ }^{31} \mathrm{P}$ NMR line, which implies that cyclic valence delocalization is rapid on the NMR time scale. Two isomers of the vanadium-substituted anion, $\left[\mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{29} \mathrm{VO}_{110}\right]^{15-}$, have been prepared and separated by chromatography on modified Sephadex. The isomers are distinguishable by the ESR parameters of the vanadium(IV) derivatives: A- $g_{\|}=1.904, g_{\perp}=1.928, A_{\Downarrow}=191 \mathrm{G}, A_{\perp}=$ $50 \mathrm{G} ; \mathrm{B}-g_{\|}=1.889, g_{\perp}=1.936, A_{\sharp}=185 \mathrm{G}, A_{\perp}=52 \mathrm{G}$. Provisional structural assignments are given on the basis of these data and ${ }^{31} \mathrm{P}$ NMR.


Interest in the chemistry of large polytungstates has recently increased, and some examples of species containing more than 18 tungsten atoms have been prepared. ${ }^{3}$ In the course of preparing ammonium octadecatungstodiphosphate by Wu's method, ${ }^{4}$ Preyssler ${ }^{5}$ observed white crystals, which formed before the desired yellow $\left(\mathrm{NH}_{4}\right)_{6} \mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{~W}_{18} \mathrm{O}_{62}$ and which contained phosphorus and tungsten. From chemical analysis of several salts, potentiometric titration curves, and cryoscopic measurements in saturated sodium sulfate, it was inferred that these crystals were ammonium 18 -tungsto-3-phosphate, $\left(\mathrm{WO}_{3}\right)_{18}\left(\mathrm{PO}_{4}\right)_{3} \mathrm{H}\left(\mathrm{NH}_{4}\right)_{8} \cdot 30 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$. Massart et al. ${ }^{6}$ later showed from ${ }^{31} \mathrm{P}$ NMR measurements that all the phosphorus atoms of this polytungstate were equivalent. The ${ }^{183} \mathrm{~W}$ NMR spectrum, which was recorded independently by Acerete ${ }^{7}$ and Doppelt, ${ }^{8}$ consists of four lines (intensities $2: 2: 1: 1$ ) and was interpreted as indicating a different stoichiometry than that proposed by Preyssler. A crystallographic investigation of the potassium salt was begun at Georgetown University in 1979 in conjunction with work involving vanadium-substituted derivatives, the a nalyses of which also suggested a larger anion. The data

[^0]set collected at that time would not yield a satisfactory refinement, although as it now turns out the main features of the structure could be discerned. ${ }^{9}$ During the search for a more suitable crystal prior to collecting a fresh data set, work began on the ammonium salt at the Universite Pierre et Marie Curie in Paris and the present collaboration was initiated.

## Experimental Section

Preparation of Compounds. (a) Preyssler's Anion. The ammonium and potassium salts were prepared following Preyssler's method, or a slight variation thereof. Yields could be increased from ca. $10 \%$ to ca. $30 \%$ by heating the reaction mixture in a sealed container at $120^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (see Results section). A barium salt was isolated by adding 5 mL of saturated $\mathrm{BaCl}_{2}$ to a solution of 6.3 g of the potassium salt in ca. 10 mL of water. The white precipitate was filtered off, washed, and recrystallized from hot water. The free acid was prepared by passage of a solution of 11.4 g of the potassium salt in 20 mL of water through a column ( $50 \times 1 \mathrm{~cm}$ ) of Dowex $50 \mathrm{~W} \times 8$ in the $\mathrm{H}^{+}$form and evaporation of the eluate to dryness in vacuo.

The analytical results are presented in terms of the $\mathrm{P}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30}$ stoichiometry revealed by the crystallographic measurements. Anal. Calcd (Found) for $\left(\mathrm{NH}_{4}\right)_{14} \mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{110} .31 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}: \mathrm{N}, 2.37$ (2.22); $\mathrm{Na}, 0.28$ (0.29) ; P, 1.87 (1.77); W, 66.74 (65.72). For $\mathrm{K}_{12.5} \mathrm{Na}_{2.5} \mathrm{P}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{110^{\circ}}$ $15 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}: \mathrm{K}, 5.92$ (5.75); $\mathrm{Na}, 0.70$ (0.45); P, 1.88 (1.93); W, 66.90 (66.90); H, 0.36 (0.60). For $\mathrm{Ba}_{6.5} \mathrm{KNaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{110} \cdot 56 \mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{O}}: \mathrm{Ba}, 9.54$ (9.60); K, 0.41 (0.19); Na, 0.24 (0.16); P, 1.66 (1.70); W, 58.96 (58.83); H, 1.19 (1.10). For $\mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{110^{\circ}} 58 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}: \mathrm{H}, 1.57$ (1.74); $\mathrm{Na}, 0.27$ (0.21); $\mathrm{P}, 1.82$ (1.86); W, 64.80 (64.82). Unit cell and density measurements were made on crystals of the ammonium salt (triclinic, see below), the potassium salt (orthorhombic, $P 2_{1} 2_{1} 2 ; V=11900 \AA^{3} ; Z=4$ ) and the barium salt (monoclinic, $C 2 / m ; V=14430 \AA^{3} ; Z=4$ ).
(b) Vanadium-Substituted Anions. A solution of 5 g of the potassium salt of Preyssler's anion in 25 mL of water at $60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ was treated dropwise with 0.3 M NaOH until a drop of the reaction mixture gave a purple
(9) Firor, R. L.; Butcher, R. J., private communication.
color when tested with a solution of $\mathrm{VOSO}_{4}$. The pH of the solution at this stage was about 12. Addition of alkali was continued at such a rate that the pH did not exceed 12 over a period of $4-5 \mathrm{~h}$ at $60-70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The total volume of alkali added was ca. 25 mL . After the solution had been cooled, addition of saturated KCl yielded a white precipitate that was filtered off, washed with 1 M KCl and air dried. About 2 g of this material was added to a solution of 0.1 g of $\mathrm{VOSO}_{4}$ in 25 mL of acetate buffer ( pH 4.7 ) whereupon it dissolved to give a purple solution. Addition of saturated KCl precipitated a purple solid that was separated, washed, and recrystallized from hot water to give dark rectangular blocks. Anal. Calcd (Found) for $\mathrm{K}_{6} \mathrm{Na}_{11} \mathrm{P}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{29} \mathrm{VO}_{110} \cdot 40 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}: \mathrm{K}, 2.76$ (2.7); Na, 2.97 (3.2); P, 1.88 (1.82); W, 62.74 (62.3); V, 0.60 ( 0.78 ). Further characterization of this material is described in the Results section.

Analyses. Unless otherwise indicated, elemental analyses were carried out by Galbraith Laboratories, Inc., Knoxville, TN, or by the Centre de Microanalyse de CNRS, Lyon, France. Sodium ion activities were measured with a sodium electrode (Orion Model 94-11). All such measurements were made in an ammonia buffer ( 20 g of $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}$ and 5 mL of $18 \mathrm{M} \mathrm{NH}_{3}$ in $100 \mathrm{~mL}, \mathrm{pH} 8.5$ ) contained in a teflon beaker. The electrode response was found to be linear up to $\left[\mathrm{Na}^{+}\right]=0.01 \mathrm{M}$, and all unknown concentrations were confirmed by repeat measurements on standard solutions.

Physical Measurements. Electrochemical and electron spin resonance measurements were made as described previously. ${ }^{10}$ All ESR parameters were confirmed by simulation of the experimental spectra. Nuclear magnetic resonance spectra were recorded on $90-, 400$-, and $500-\mathrm{MHz}$ Bruker spectrometers. Experimental details are given below.

Crystallography. Preliminary precession photographs of the ammonium salt showed a triclinic unit cell. A crystal shaped approximately as a parallelopiped ( $0.25 \times 0.08 \times 0.08 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) sealed into a Lindemann capillary was set on a Philips PW 1100 diffractometer. Lattice constants calculated by least squares-refinement from 25 reflections are as follows: $a=23.570$ (7) $\AA, b=17.821$ (5) $\AA ; c=17.593$ (9) $\AA, \alpha=112.17$ (3) ${ }^{\circ}$, $\beta=98.10(3)^{\circ} ; \gamma=96.84(3)^{\circ}$, and $V=6654 \AA^{3}$. The density, measured in cyclohexane by pycnometry, was $3.97 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~cm}^{-3}$. The calculated value, assuming two molecules of $\left[\mathrm{P}_{5} W_{30} \mathrm{O}_{110}\right]^{15-}$ per cell, is $4.11 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~cm}^{-3}$.

A total of 9173 independent reflections were collected at room temperature: Mo $\mathrm{K} \alpha$ radiation; scan type $\theta-2 \theta$; scan speed 0.01 deg sili; scan length $(0.90+0.30 \tan \theta)$ deg; background measurements in fixed position before and after every scan for a time equal to half of the scan time; maximum recording angle $\theta=18^{\circ}$; standard reflections $3,0,9,12,1,1$, and $\overline{3}, 0, \overline{9}$, measured every 2 h . No decrease of standards was observed. For every observed structure factor, $F_{0}$, a standard deviation was computed as $\sigma=F_{0} \Delta I / 2 I$ ( $I$ is the integrated intensity and $\Delta I$ its statistical error). Only 6341 reflections with an observed structure factor greater than $6 \sigma$ were kept for refinement. Lorentz and polarization corrections were applied. For Mo $\mathrm{K} \alpha$ radiation the absorption coefficient is $\mu=249 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$. Since the crystal used for recording data was set in a Lindemann capillary glass, its faces were not easily seen. An empirical correction was therefore applied for absorption. ${ }^{11}$

Statistical tests ${ }^{12}$ were computed with the whole set of collected reflections and showed centrosymmetry. The asymmetric unit is therefore $\mathrm{P}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30}$, and the space group is $P \overline{\mathrm{I}}$.

From the Patterson map, 20 peaks corresponding to two parallel planar decagons were found and attributed to tungsten atoms. A Fourier synthesis phased on $F$ s computed on the preceding basis showed all the tungsten and phosphorus atoms. The oxygen atoms were then located from a difference Fourier synthesis. At this stage of the structure resolution two peaks of weak but equal intensity were observed inside the polyanion on its internal symmetry axis. From the analytical results the peaks were assigned to one sodium atom with a statistical distribution between those two observed positions. Nineteen other peaks were attributed to the nitrogen atoms of the ammonium cations and to the oxygen atoms of the water molecules. However, it was not possible to distinguish between $\mathbf{N}$ and O . Such a difficulty is offten encountered in structure determinations of this type. ${ }^{13}$

Refinements were made with the shelx program. ${ }^{14}$ Because of the large number of parameters, the refinement was first made by dividing the anion into ten blocks. Cations and water molecules were refined afterwards, keeping the atomic parameters of the anion atoms fixed. The

[^1]Table I. Atomic Coordinates of W Atoms

| atom | $X / A$ | $Y / B$ | $Z / C$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| W(1) | $-0.3021(1)$ | $-0.0861(2)$ | $0.0744(2)$ |
| W(2) | $-0.3274(1)$ | $0.0406(2)$ | $0.2910(2)$ |
| W(3) | $-0.3498(1)$ | $0.2458(2)$ | $0.4371(2)$ |
| W(4) | $-0.3616(1)$ | $0.4619(2)$ | $0.4519(2)$ |
| W(5) | $-0.3571(1)$ | $0.6044(2)$ | $0.3400(2)$ |
| W(6) | $-0.3380(1)$ | $0.6115(2)$ | $0.1322(2)$ |
| W(7) | $-0.3134(1)$ | $0.4939(2)$ | $-0.0842(2)$ |
| W(8) | $-0.2910(1)$ | $0.2829(2)$ | $-0.2262(2)$ |
| W(9) | $-0.2796(1)$ | $0.0676(2)$ | $-0.2476(2)$ |
| W(10) | $-0.2834(1)$ | $-0.0708(2)$ | $-0.1285(2)$ |
| W(11) | $-0.1614(1)$ | $-0.0193(2)$ | $0.1633(2)$ |
| W(12) | $-0.1870(1)$ | $0.1108(2)$ | $0.3783(2)$ |
| W(13) | $-0.2091(1)$ | $0.3229(2)$ | $0.5107(2)$ |
| W(14) | $-0.2199(1)$ | $0.5381(2)$ | $0.5221(2)$ |
| W(15) | $-0.2133(1)$ | $0.6661(2)$ | $0.3946(2)$ |
| W(16) | $-0.1937(1)$ | $0.6685(2)$ | $0.1846(2)$ |
| W(17) | $-0.1691(1)$ | $0.5350(2)$ | $-0.0261(2)$ |
| W(18) | $-0.1470(1)$ | $0.3233(2)$ | $-0.1658(2)$ |
| W(19) | $-0.1371(1)$ | $0.1133(2)$ | $-0.1695(2)$ |
| W(20) | $-0.1417(1)$ | $-0.0221(2)$ | $-0.0458(2)$ |
| W(21) | $-0.4053(1)$ | $0.1741(2)$ | $0.2125(2)$ |
| W(22) | $-0.4162(1)$ | $0.3853(2)$ | $0.2229(2)$ |
| W(23) | $-0.3977(1)$ | $0.3880(2)$ | $0.0162(2)$ |
| W(24) | $-0.3755(1)$ | $0.1795(2)$ | $-0.1192(2)$ |
| W(25) | $-0.3803(1)$ | $0.0463(2)$ | $0.0010(2)$ |
| W(26) | $-0.0885(1)$ | $0.1665(2)$ | $0.1430(2)$ |
| W(27) | $-0.1131(1)$ | $0.2911(2)$ | $0.3557(2)$ |
| W(28) | $-0.1249(1)$ | $0.5027(2)$ | $0.3700(2)$ |
| W(29) | $-0.1060(1)$ | $0.5088(2)$ | $0.1653(2)$ |
| W(30) | $-0.0838(1)$ | $0.3016(2)$ | $0.0246(2)$ |
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Table II. Anisotropic Thermal Parameters of W Atoms ${ }^{\text {a }}$

| atom | $B(11)$ | $B(22)$ | $B(33)$ | $B(12)$ | $B(13)$ | $B(23)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| W(1) | 3.3 (2) | 1.0 (2) | 2.8 (2) | 0.7 (1) | 0.9 (1) | 1.6 (2) |
| W(2) | 3.4 (2) | 1.6 (2) | 2.9 (2) | 0.8 (1) | 0.8 (1) | 2.1 (2) |
| W(3) | 3.1 (2) | 2.3 (2) | 2.0 (2) | 0.9 (1) | 0.9 (1) | 1.7 (2) |
| W(4) | 2.9 (2) | 1.8 (2) | 1.8 (2) | 0.9 (1) | 0.8 (1) | 1.1 (2) |
| W(5) | 2.7 (2) | 1.1 (2) | 2.5 (2) | 1.0 (1) | 0.6 (1) | 1.0 (2) |
| W(6) | 2.2 (2) | 1.0 (2) | 2.7 (2) | 0.8 (1) | 0.4 (1) | 1.3 (2) |
| W(7) | 2.4 (2) | 1.9 (2) | 2.5 (2) | 0.8 (1) | 0.5 (1) | 1.9 (2) |
| W(8) | 2.5 (2) | 2.1 (2) | 2.0 (2) | 0.7 (1) | 0.4 (1) | 1.7 (2) |
| W(9) | 3.0 (2) | 1.3 (2) | 1.6 (2) | 0.6 (1) | 0.4 (1) | 0.8 (1) |
| W(10) | 3.2 (2) | 0.8 (2) | 1.9 (2) | 0.5 (1) | 0.6 (1) | 0.5 (1) |
| W(11) | 3.1 (2) | 1.5 (2) | 2.7 (2) | 1.2 (1) | 0.7 (1) | 1.8 (2) |
| W(12) | 3.5 (2) | 2.4 (2) | 2.5 (2) | 1.4 (1) | 0.6 (1) | 2.2 (2) |
| W(13) | 3.2 (2) | 2.4 (2) | 1.4 (2) | 1.0 (1) | 0.4 (1) | 1.2 (2) |
| W(14) | 3.3 (2) | 1.0 (2) | 1.4 (2) | 0.8 (1) | 0.3 (1) | 0.7 (2) |
| W(15) | 2.9 (2) | 0.8 (2) | 2.3 (2) | 0.4 (1) | 0.3 (1) | 0.4 (1) |
| W(16) | 2.4 (2) | 0.6 (2) | 3.0 (2) | 0.4 (1) | 0.5 (1) | 1.1 (1) |
| W(17) | 2.3 (2) | 1.5 (2) | 2.6 (2) | 0.6 (1) | 0.8 (1) | 1.6 (2) |
| W(18) | 2.3 (2) | 1.8 (2) | 2.3 (2) | 0.8 (1) | 0.9 (1) | 1.7 (2) |
| W(19) | 2.5 (2) | 1.4 (2) | 2.2 (2) | 1.0 (1) | 0.9 (1) | 1.1 (1) |
| W(20) | 2.8 (2) | 1.5 (2) | 2.4 (2) | 1.3 (1) | 0.9 (1) | 1.3 (2) |
| W(21) | 2.1 (2) | 1.1 (2) | 2.0 (2) | 0.4 (1) | 0.4 (1) | 1.3 (1) |
| W(22) | 1.7 (1) | 1.3 (2) | 2.0 (2) | 0.5 (1) | 0.3 (1) | 1.2 (1) |
| W(23) | 1.7 (1) | 1.4 (2) | 2.0 (2) | 0.5 (1) | 0.2 (1) | 1.2 (1) |
| W(24) | 1.8 (1) | 1.3 (2) | 1.8 (2) | 0.3 (1) | 0.1 (1) | 1.2 (1) |
| W(25) | 2.3 (2) | 1.0 (2) | 1.9 (2) | 0.3 (1) | 0.3 (1) | 1.1 (1) |
| W(26) | 2.1 (1) | 1.4 (2) | 2.2 (2) | 0.9 (1) | 0.4 (1) | 1.3 (1) |
| W(27) | 2.3 (2) | 1.9 (2) | 1.9 (2) | 0.8 (1) | 0.1 (1) | 1.3 (2) |
| W(28) | 2.0 (2) | 1.4 (2) | 2.1 (2) | 0.3 (1) | -0.0 (1) | 0.8 (1) |
| W(29) | 1.7 (1) | 1.1 (2) | 2.4 (2) | 0.5 (1) | 0.4 (1) | 1.0 (1) |
| W(30) | 1.9 (1) | 1.2 (2) | 2.2 (2) | 0.7 (1) | 0.5 (1) | 1.2 (1) |

isotropic temperature factors of structurally similar oxygen atoms were kept equal by using the constraints of the shelx program. A final $R$ value of 0.055 was obtained with anisotropic temperature factors for tungsten only. Atomic form factors were taken from Cromer and Waber. ${ }^{15}$ Corrections were made for the real and imaginary parts of the anomalous dispersion. Oxygen atomic form factors were arbitrarily
(15) "International Tables for X-ray Crystallography"; Kynoch Press: Birmingham, England, 1974; Vol. 4.


Figure 1. (a, left) An ORTEP view of $\left[\mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{110}\right]^{14-}$ looking approximately along the virtual $C_{5}$ symmetry axis. Oxygen and tungsten atoms are represented as large and small open circles, respectively, and the sodium ion by the central closed circle. The phosphorus atoms are shown as closed circles that are almost entirely obscured by the inner pentagon of five tungsten atoms. (b, right) An idealized view along $C_{5}$ showing the $\mathrm{WO}_{6}$ octahedra in the upper half of the anion.
assigned to both nitrogen atoms of ammonium cations and oxygen atoms of water molecules. Only 19 of these atoms were included in the final refinement (those with temperature factors less than an arbitrary limit of $14 \AA^{2}$ ), although the chemical analysis indicated 14 ammonium cations and 31 water molecules. It was assumed that higher temperature factors correspond to disordered atoms as is usually encountered in polyanion structures.

Final atomic coordinates, vibrational parameters, and corresponding standard deviations are given in Tables I-III.

## Results and Discussion

Stoichiometry and Structure of the Anion. The unit cell of the ammonium salt contains two $\left[\mathrm{P}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{110}\right]^{15-}$ anions related by the center of symmetry. The anions appear as ellipsoids (prolate spheroids) and each is built of five $\mathrm{PW}_{6}$ units arranged in a crown so that the whole anion has an internal fivefold symmetry axis (Figure 1). Perpendicular to this axis is a mirror plane that contains the five phosphorus atoms. The tungsten atoms are distributed in four parallel planes perpendicular to the axis: each of the outer planes contains five tungsten atoms; each of the inner ones contains ten tungsten atoms. A $\mathrm{PW}_{6}$ unit consists of two groups of three corner-shared $\mathrm{WO}_{6}$ octahedra. Two pairs of octahedra of each group are joined together by sharing one edge located in the mirror plane. Each $\mathrm{WO}_{6}$ octahedron shares a vertex with the central $\mathrm{PO}_{4}$ tetra hedron as shown in Figure 2. The PW 6 unit is formally derived from the well-known Keggin structure. Removal of a corner-shared $\mathrm{W}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{13}$ unit from the latter leads to the structure of the $\mathrm{PW}_{9}$ moiety of the $\mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{~W}_{18}$ (Dawson) anion. ${ }^{16}$ Removal of a second such $\mathrm{W}_{3}$ group leads to the PW unit of $\mathrm{P}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30}$ (see Figure 3). Each $\mathrm{PW}_{6}$ unit is bound to two other such units by eight oxygen atoms, making only corner-shared octahedra (Figure 2). As in the Keggin and Dawson structures, all tungsten atoms are octahedrally surrounded by oxygen atoms. Each octahedron contains only one $\mathrm{W}=\mathrm{O}$ double bond which is directed toward the exterior of the polyanion.

The main bond lengths and angles are listed in Table IV. These are all unexceptional, but we note systematic displacements of the tungsten atoms in the "equatorial" rings. These displacements result in alternating $\mathrm{W}-\mathrm{O}$ bond lengths (average values are 1.83 and $2.04 \AA$ ) within these rings. The difference between the average values is of the order of magnitude of the statistical error ( $0.21 \AA$ for this difference and $0.26 \AA$ for $6 \sigma$ ). However, the differences are quite systematic, and similar metal atom displacements have been noted in Keggin- and Dawson-type heteropolymolybdates. ${ }^{17}$ Looking down the fivefold axis, one short $\mathbf{W}-\mathbf{O}$ distance in decagon 1 is seen to lie above a long one in decagon 2. Therefore this would confer a chirality to the whole structure.

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Figure 2. The $\mathrm{PW}_{6} \mathrm{O}_{22}$ unit viewed perpendicular to the anion's virtual $C_{5}$ axis. Oxygen and tungsten atoms are represented by the large and small open circles, respectively, and the phosphorus atom by the closed circle.


Figure 3. Polyhedral representation showing the relationship of the $\mathrm{PW}_{6}$ unit to the $\mathrm{PW}_{9}$ half-Dawson anion.

There are several vacancies inside the polyanion structure (excluding the sodium ion), along the fivefold axis. Three sites may be described. The first one, the central site, $S_{1}$, lies in the mirror plane and is surrounded by ten oxygen atoms making two parallel pentagons related by the mirror plane. The mean distance between pentagons is $2.45 \AA$. Two other sites, $\mathrm{S}_{2}$, are also located

Table III. Atomic Coordinates and Isotropic Temperature Factors of $\mathrm{P}, \mathrm{O}, \mathrm{Na}$, and N Atoms ${ }^{\text {a }}$

| atom | $X / A$ | $Y / B$ | $Z / C$ | $B$ (iso) | atom | $X / A$ | $Y / B$ | Z/C | $B$ (iso) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{P}(1)$ | -0.2326 (7) | 0.090 (1) | 0.067 (1) | 1.5 (4) | $\mathrm{O}(17,18)$ | -0.164 (2) | 0.442 (3) | -0.103 (2) | 2.140 (8) |
| $\mathrm{P}(2)$ | -0.2596 (7) | 0.227 (1) | 0.298 (1) | 1.5 (4) | $\mathrm{O}(17,29)$ | -0.119 (1) | 0.520 (2) | 0.060 (2) | 1.598 (6) |
| $\mathrm{P}(3)$ | -0.2726 (7) | 0.457 (1) | 0.311 (1) | 1.5 (4) | $\mathrm{O}(18,19)$ | -0.143 (2) | 0.216 (3) | -0.204 (2) | 2.342 (8) |
| $\mathrm{P}(4)$ | -0.2531 (7) | 0.462 (1) | 0.085 (1) | 1.5 (4) | $\mathrm{O}(18,30)$ | -0.104 (1) | 0.347 (2) | -0.058 (2) | 1.598 (6) |
| P (5) | -0.2275 (7) | 0.236 (1) | -0.063 (1) | 1.3 (4) | $\mathrm{O}(19,20)$ | -0.145 (2) | 0.031 (3) | -0.133 (2) | 2.140 (8) |
| $\mathrm{O}(1,11, \mathrm{P}(1))$ | -0.238 (1) | 0.031 (3) | 0.115 (2) | 1.815 (7) | $\mathrm{O}(19,30)$ | -0.100 (1) | 0.199 (2) | -0.066 (2) | 1.598 (6) |
| $\mathrm{O}(10,20, \mathrm{P}(1))$ | -0.223 (1) | 0.032 (3) | -0.025 (2) | 1.815 (7) | $\mathrm{O}(20,26)$ | -0.102 (1) | 0.078 (2) | 0.035 (2) | 1.598 (6) |
| $\mathrm{O}(2,12, \mathrm{P}(2))$ | -0.256 (2) | 0.138 (3) | 0.293 (2) | 1.815 (7) | $\mathrm{O}(21,22)$ | -0.412 (1) | 0.273 (3) | 0.199 (2) | 1.641 (8) |
| $\mathrm{O}(3,13, \mathrm{P}(2))$ | -0.271 (1) | 0.275 (3) | 0.385 (2) | 1.815 (7) | $\mathrm{O}(21,25)$ | -0.397 (1) | 0.119 (3) | 0.098 (2) | 1.641 (8) |
| $\mathrm{O}(4,14, \mathrm{P}(3))$ | -0.279 (2) | 0.458 (3) | 0.399 (2) | 1.815 (7) | $\mathrm{O}(22,23)$ | -0.409 (1) | 0.370 (2) | 0.115 (2) | 1.641 (8) |
| $\mathrm{O}(5,15, \mathrm{P}(3))$ | -0.276 (1) | 0.546 (3) | 0.318 (2) | 1.815 (7) | $\mathrm{O}(23,24)$ | -0.388 (1) | 0.276 (2) | -0.042 (2) | 1.641 (8) |
| $\mathrm{O}(6,16, \mathrm{P}(4))$ | -0.260 (1) | 0.548 (3) | 0.143 (2) | 1.815 (7) | $\mathrm{O}(24,25)$ | -0.384 (1) | 0.130 (2) | -0.044 (2) | 1.641 (8) |
| $\mathrm{O}(7,17, \mathrm{P}(4))$ | -0.244 (1) | 0.465 (3) | 0.001 (2) | 1.815 (7) | $\mathrm{O}(26,27)$ | -0.095 (1) | 0.245 (3) | 0.245 (2) | 1.641 (8) |
| $\mathrm{O}(8,18, \mathrm{P}(5))$ | -0.225 (1) | 0.296 (3) | -0.109 (2) | 1.815 (7) | $\mathrm{O}(26,30)$ | -0.087 (1) | 0.253 (2) | 0.103 (2) | 1.641 (8) |
| $\mathrm{O}(9,19, \mathrm{P}(5))$ | -0.220 (1) | 0.152 (3) | -0.126 (2) | 1.815 (7) | $\mathrm{O}(27,28)$ | -0.112 (1) | 0.392 (2) | 0.340 (2) | 1.641 (8) |
| $\mathrm{O}(25, \mathrm{P}(1))$ | -0.291 (1) | 0.115 (2) | 0.059 (2) | 0.954 (7) | $\mathrm{O}(28,29)$ | -0.112 (1) | 0.489 (2) | 0.266 (2) | 1.641 (8) |
| $\mathrm{O}(26, \mathrm{P}(1))$ | -0.183 (1) | 0.159 (2) | 0.111 (2) | 0.954 (7) | $\mathrm{O}(29,30)$ | -0.093 (1) | 0.398 (3) | 0.106 (2) | 1.641 (8) |
| $\mathrm{O}(21, \mathrm{P}(2))$ | -0.309 (1) | 0.223 (2) | 0.234 (2) | 0.954 (7) | O(1) | -0.348 (2) | -0.178 (3) | 0.059 (3) | 2.760 (7) |
| $\mathrm{O}(27, \mathrm{P}(2))$ | -0.204 (1) | 0.262 (2) | 0.287 (2) | 0.954 (7) | O(2) | -0.379 (2) | -0.031 (3) | 0.308 (3) | 2.760 (7) |
| $\mathrm{O}(22, \mathrm{P}(3))$ | -0.320 (1) | 0.397 (2) | 0.243 (2) | 0.954 (7) | $\mathrm{O}(3)$ | -0.403 (2) | 0.232 (3) | 0.486 (3) | 2.760 (7) |
| $\mathrm{O}(28, \mathrm{P}(3))$ | -0.214 (1) | 0.441 (2) | 0.298 (2) | 0.954 (7) | $\mathrm{O}(4)$ | -0.418 (2) | 0.485 (3) | 0.505 (3) | 2.760 (7) |
| $\mathrm{O}(23, \mathrm{P}(4))$ | -0.305 (1) | 0.402 (2) | 0.073 (2) | 0.954 (7) | O(5) | -0.410 (2) | 0.662 (3) | 0.359 (3) | 2.760 (7) |
| $\mathrm{O}(29, \mathrm{P}(4))$ | -0.199 (1) | 0.442 (2) | 0.123 (2) | 0.954 (7) | O(6) | -0.391 (2) | 0.666 (3) | 0.115 (3) | 2.760 (7) |
| $\mathrm{O}(24, \mathrm{P}(5))$ | -0.285 (1) | 0.228 (2) | -0.043 (2) | 0.954 (7) | O(7) | -0.361 (2) | 0.513 (3) | -0.161 (3) | 2.760 (7) |
| $\mathrm{O}(30, \mathrm{P}(5))$ | -0.179 (1) | 0.273 (2) | 0.008 (2) | 0.954 (7) | $\mathrm{O}(8)$ | -0.334 (2) | 0.260 (3) | -0.324 (3) | 2.760 (7) |
| $\mathrm{O}(1,2)$ | -0.309 (2) | -0.029 (3) | 0.196 (2) | 2.140 (8) | $\mathrm{O}(9)$ | -0.314 (2) | -0.005 (3) | -0.340 (3) | 2.760 (7) |
| $\mathrm{O}(1,10)$ | -0.288 (2) | -0.107 (3) | -0.029 (2) | 2.342 (8) | O(10) | -0.320 (2) | -0.161 (3) | -0.203 (3) | 2.760 (7) |
| O(1,11) | -0.226 (2) | -0.101 (3) | 0.121 (2) | 1.930 (8) | O(11) | -0.110 (2) | -0.075 (3) | 0.177 (3) | 2.760 (7) |
| $\mathrm{O}(1,25)$ | -0.359 (1) | -0.023 (2) | 0.063 (2) | 1.598 (6) | O(12) | -0.140 (2) | 0.076 | 0.437 (3) | 2.760 (7) |
| $\mathrm{O}(2,3)$ | -0.336 (2) | 0.143 (3) | 0.388 (3) | 2.342 (8) | O(13) | -0.165 (2) | 0.344 (3) | 0.610 (3) | 2.760 (7) |
| $\mathrm{O}(2,12)$ | -0.257 (2) | 0.045 (3) | 0.362 (2) | 1.930 (8) | O(14) | -0.184 (2) | 0.594 (3) | 0.622 (3) | 2.760 (7) |
| $\mathrm{O}(2,21)$ | -0.378 (1) | 0.080 (3) | 0.228 (2) | 1.598 (6) | O(15) | -0.176 (2) | 0.754 (3) | 0.469 (3) | 2.760 (7) |
| $\mathrm{O}(3,4)$ | -0.351 (2) | 0.366 (3) | 0.468 (2) | 2.140 (8) | O(16) | -0.150 (2) | 0.765 (3) | 0.222 (3) | 2.760 (7) |
| $\mathrm{O}(3,13)$ | -0.284 (2) | 0.285 (3) | 0.524 (2) | 1.930 (8) | O(17) | -0.120 (2) | 0.605 (3) | -0.045 (3) | 2.760 (7) |
| $\mathrm{O}(3,21)$ | -0.393 (1) | 0.231 (2) | 0.325 (2) | 1.598 (6) | O(18) | -0.096 (2) | 0.349 (3) | -0.214 (3) | 2.760 (7) |
| $\mathrm{O}(4,5)$ | -0.361 (2) | 0.565 (3) | 0.420 (2) | 2.342 (8) | O(19) | -0.082 (2) | 0.090 (3) | -0.223 (3) | 2.760 (7) |
| $\mathrm{O}(4,14)$ | -0.297 (2) | 0.530 (3) | 0.543 (2) | 1.930 (8) | $\mathrm{O}(20)$ | -0.088 (2) | -0.074 (3) | -0.080 (3) | 2.760 (7) |
| $\mathrm{O}(4,22)$ | -0.404 (1) | 0.407 (2) | 0.339 (2) | 1.598 (6) | $\mathrm{O}(21)$ | -0.477 (1) | 0.139 (2) | 0.199 (2) | 1.607 (8) |
| $\mathrm{O}(5,6)$ | -0.345 (2) | 0.627 (3) | 0.240 (2) | 2.140 (8) | $\mathrm{O}(22)$ | -0.490 (1) | 0.374 (2) | 0.209 (2) | 1.607 (8) |
| $\mathrm{O}(5,15)$ | -0.290 (2) | 0.691 (3) | 0.401 (2) | 1.930 (8) | $\mathrm{O}(23)$ | -0.468 (1) | 0.381 (2) | -0.023 (2) | 1.607 (8) |
| $\mathrm{O}(5,22)$ | -0.396 (1) | 0.506 (2) | 0.259 (2) | 1.598 (6) | O(24) | -0.443 (1) | 0.144 (2) | -0.181 (2) | 1.607 (8) |
| $\mathrm{O}(6,7)$ | -0.321 (2) | 0.574 (3) | 0.012 (2) | 2.342 (8) | O(25) | -0.448 (1) | -0.002 (2) | -0.042 (2) | 1.607 (8) |
| $\mathrm{O}(6,16)$ | -0.270 (2) | 0.691 (3) | 0.163 (2) | 1.930 (8) | $\mathrm{O}(26)$ | -0.018 (1) | 0.172 (2) | 0.171 (2) | 1.607 (8) |
| $\mathrm{O}(6,23)$ | -0.384 (1) | 0.502 (2) | 0.085 (2) | 1.598 (6) | O(27) | -0.043 (1) | 0.311 (2) | 0.410 (2) | 1.607 (8) |
| $\mathrm{O}(7,8)$ | -0.295 (2) | 0.391 (3) | -0.167 (2) | 2.140 (8) | $\mathrm{O}(28)$ | -0.056 (1) | 0.552 (2) | 0.424 (2) | 1.607 (8) |
| $\mathrm{O}(7,17)$ | -0.241 (2) | 0.543 (3) | -0.088 (2) | 1.930 (8) | $\mathrm{O}(29)$ | -0.033 (1) | 0.557 (2) | 0.192 (2) | 1.607 (8) |
| $\mathrm{O}(7,23)$ | -0.365 (1) | 0.416 (2) | -0.061 (2) | 1.598 (6) | O(30) | -0.009 (1) | 0.322 (2) | 0.034 (2) | 1.607 (8) |
| $\mathrm{O}(8,9)$ | -0.277 (2) | 0.171 (3) | -0.268 (2) | 2.342 (8) | NA(1) | -0.298 (2) | 0.274 (3) | 0.114 (2) | 1.3 (6) |
| $\mathrm{O}(8,18)$ | -0.215 (1) | 0.306 (3) | -0.246 (2) | 1.930 (8) | NA(2) | -0.191 (2) | 0.319 (3) | 0.171 (2) | 1.3 (6) |
| $\mathrm{O}(8,24)$ | -0.344 (1) | 0.247 (2) | -0.173 (2) | 1.598 (6) | X(1) | 0 | 0.5 | 0 | 6 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(9,10)$ | -0.271 (2) | -0.019 (3) | -0.196 (2) | 2.140 (8) | X(2) | 0.465 (2) | 0.063 (3) | -0.113 (3) | 4 (1) |
| $\mathrm{O}(9,19)$ | -0.202 (2) | 0.055 (3) | -0.259 (2) | 1.930 (8) | X(3) | 0.009 (2) | 0.110 (3) | -0.033 (3) | 3 (1) |
| $\mathrm{O}(9,24)$ | -0.342 (1) | 0.097 (2) | -0.189 (2) | 1.598 (6) | X(4) | -0.498 (2) | 0.470 (3) | -0.132 (3) | 6 (1) |
| $\mathrm{O}(10,20)$ | -0.205 (1) | -0.101 (3) | -0.127 (2) | 1.930 (8) | X(5) | 0.428 (2) | 0.352 (3) | 0.056 (3) | 6 (1) |
| $\mathrm{O}(10,25)$ | -0.343 (1) | -0.020 (2) | -0.087 (2) | 1.598 (6) | X(6) | 0.491 (2) | 0.207 (4) | 0.028 (3) | 7 (1) |
| $\mathrm{O}(11,12)$ | -0.179 (2) | 0.029 (3) | 0.267 (2) | 2.140 (8) | X(7) | 0.020 (2) | 0.034 (4) | 0.206 (4) | 9 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(11,20)$ | -0.153 (2) | -0.049 (3) | 0.043 (2) | 2.342 (8) | X(8) | 0.334 (2) | 0.289 (4) | 0.129 (4) | 8 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(11,26)$ | -0.113 (1) | 0.077 (2) | 0.173 (2) | 1.598 (6) | X(9) | 0.437 (2) | 0.067 (4) | 0.262 (4) | 9 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(12,13)$ | -0.200 (2) | 0.198 (3) | 0.460 (2) | 2.342 (8) | $\mathrm{X}(10)$ | 0.263 (3) | 0.146 (4) | -0.281 (4) | 9 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(12,27)$ | -0.134 (1) | 0.183 (2) | 0.352 (2) | 1.598 (6) | X(11) | 0.223 (3) | 0.262 (5) | 0.006 (4) | 11 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(13,14)$ | -0.225 (2) | 0.427 (3) | 0.532 (2) | 2.140 (8) | $\mathrm{X}(12)$ | 0.068 (3) | 0.229 (4) | -0.085 (4) | 10 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(13,27)$ | -0.151 (1) | 0.326 (2) | 0.446 (2) | 1.598 (6) | $\mathrm{X}(13)$ | -0.184 (3) | 0.476 (5) | -0.263 (5) | 13 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(14,15)$ | -0.222 (2) | 0.625 (3) | 0.487 (2) | 2.342 (8) | X(14) | 0.059 (3) | 0.470 (5) | 0.181 (4) | 12 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(14,28)$ | -0.161 (1) | 0.508 (2) | 0.464 (2) | 1.598 (6) | $\mathrm{X}(15)$ | -0.056 (3) | 0.507 (5) | -0.407 (4) | 12 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(15,16)$ | -0.211 (2) | 0.684 (3) | 0.295 (2) | 2.140 (8) | X(16) | 0.443 (3) | 0.198 (4) | -0.182 (4) | 10 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(15,28)$ | -0.154 (1) | 0.606 (2) | 0.383 (2) | 1.598 (6) | X(17) | -0.463 (3) | 0.309 (5) | -0.243 (4) | 12 (2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(16,17)$ | -0.185 (2) | 0.627 (3) | 0.073 (2) | 2.342 (8) | X(18) | 0.060 (3) | 0.258 (5) | -0.364 (5) | 14 (3) |
| $\mathrm{O}(16,29)$ | -0.139 (1) | 0.607 (2) | 0.207 (2) | 1.598 (6) | $\mathrm{X}(19)$ | 0.429 (3) | 0.201 (5) | 0.149 (5) | 13 (3) |

${ }^{a} \mathrm{O}$ atoms indexed $(i, j, \mathrm{P}(n))$ are bonded to $\mathrm{W}(i), \mathrm{W}(j)$ and $\mathrm{P}(n)$. O atoms indexed $(i, \mathrm{P}(n))$ are bonded to $\mathrm{W}(i)$ and $\mathrm{P}(n)$. O atoms indexed ( $(i, j)$ are bonded to $\mathrm{W}(i)$ and $\mathrm{W}(j)$. O atoms indexed $(i)$ are bonded to $\mathrm{W}(i)$. The cation N atoms and the water O atoms which are not distinguished are noted as X .
on the fivefold axis and related by the mirror plane. They are surrounded by ten oxygen atoms, five of which belong to one of the previously mentioned pentagons with the other five in an outer parallel plane. The distance between the two planes is $2.22 \AA$.

The ten oxygen atoms surrounding $S_{2}$ are arranged in an antiprism fashion. In the inner basal plane of the antiprism, oxygen-oxygen distances range from 3.06 to $3.19 \AA$ with a mean value of 3.12 $\AA$; in the outer basal plane they range from 2.53 to $2.79 \AA$ with

Table IV. Selected Bond Distances ( $\AA$ )

| $\mathrm{P}(1)-\mathrm{O}(25, \mathrm{P}(1))$ | 1.49 (4) | $\mathrm{P}(2)-\mathrm{O}(21, \mathrm{P}(2))$ | 1.47 (4) | $\mathrm{W}(15)-\mathrm{O}(5,15, \mathrm{P}(3))$ | 2.26 (3) | $\mathrm{W}(16)-\mathrm{O}(6,16, \mathrm{P}(4))$ | 2.29 (4) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| -O(26, P(1)) | 1.47 (3) | -O(27, P(2)) | 1.46 (4) | $-\mathrm{O}(15)$ | 1.66 (4) | $-\mathrm{O}(16)$ | 1.72 (4) |
| -O(1,11,P(1)) | 1.58 (6) | -O(2,12, P(2)) | 1.58 (5) | -O $(15,16)$ | 1.90 (5) | -O(16,17) | 1.87 (4) |
| -O(10,20, $\mathrm{P}(1)$ ) | 1.62 (4) | -O(3,13, P(2)) | 1.53 (4) | -O(14,15) | 2.03 (5) | -O(15,16) | 1.97 (4) |
|  |  |  |  | -O(15,28) | 1.85 (4) | -O( 16,29 ) | 1.88 (4) |
| $\mathrm{P}(3)-\mathrm{O}(22, \mathrm{P}(3))$ | 1.49 (3) | $\mathrm{P}(4)-\mathrm{O}(23, \mathrm{P}(4))$ | 1.45 (4) | -O(5,15) | 1.91 (4) | -O( 6,16 ) | 1.91 (4) |
| -O(28, $\mathrm{P}(3)$ ) | 1.47 (4) | -O(29, $\mathrm{P}(4)$ ) | 1.50 (4) |  |  |  |  |
| -O(4,14, P(3)) | 1.58 (5) | -O(6,16, P(4)) | 1.53 (4) | $\mathrm{W}(17)-\mathrm{O}(7,17, \mathrm{P}(4))$ | 2.25 (4) | $\mathrm{W}(18)-\mathrm{O}(8,18, \mathrm{P}(5))$ | 2.30 (4) |
| -O(5,15, P(3)) | 1.56 (5) | -O(7,17, P(4)) | 1.55 (5) | -O(17) | 1.75 (5) | -O(18) | 1.69 (5) |
|  |  |  |  | -O(17,18) | 1.73 (4) | -O(18,19) | 1.78 (4) |
| $\mathrm{P}(5)-\mathrm{O}(24, \mathrm{P}(5))$ | 1.46 (4) |  |  | -O(16,17) | 2.01 (4) | -O(17,18) | 2.11 (4) |
| $-\mathrm{O}(30, \mathrm{P}(5))$ | 1.46 (3) |  |  | -O(17,29) | 1.91 (4) | -O(18,30) | 1.88 (4) |
| -O(8,18, $\mathrm{P}(5)$ ) | 1.57 (6) |  |  | -O(7,17) | 1.93 (4) | -O( 8,18 ) | 1.90 (4) |
| -O(9,19, $\mathrm{P}(5)$ ) | 1.54 (4) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | $\mathrm{W}(19)-\mathrm{O}(9,19, \mathrm{P}(5))$ | 2.28 (4) | $\mathrm{W}(20)-\mathrm{O}(10,20, \mathrm{P}(1))$ | 2.56 (4) |
| $\mathrm{W}(1)-\mathrm{O}(1,11, \mathrm{P}(1))$ | 2.23 (4) | $\mathrm{W}(2)-\mathrm{O}(2,12, \mathrm{P}(2))$ | 2.25 (4) | -O(19) | 1.71 (4) | -O(20) | 1.70 (4) |
| -O(1) | 1.76 (4) | -O(2) | 1.78 (5) | -O(19,20) | 1.81 (5) | -O(11,20) | 1.84 (5) |
| -O(1,2) | 2.04 (4) | -O(2,3) | 2.02 (4) | -O(18,19) | 2.15 (5) | -O(19,20) | 2.08 (5) |
| -O(1,10) | 1.81 (4) | -O(1,2) | 1.81 (4) | -O(19,30) | 1.88 (3) | -O( 20,26 ) | 1.85 (3) |
| -O(1,25) | 1.89 (4) | -O(2,21) | 1.89 (5) | -O( 9,19 ) | 1.90 (3) | -O(10,20) | 1.91 (3) |
| -O(1,11) | 1.95 (4) | -O(2,12) | 1.91 (4) |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | $\mathrm{W}(21)-\mathrm{O}(21, \mathrm{P}(2))$ | 2.25 (3) | $\mathrm{W}(22)-\mathrm{O}(22, \mathrm{P}(3))$ | 2.21 (3) |
| $\mathrm{W}(3)-\mathrm{O}(3,13, \mathrm{P}(2))$ | 2.27 (4) | $\mathrm{W}(4)-\mathrm{O}(4,14, \mathrm{P}(3))$ | 2.26 (4) | -O(21) | 1.67 (4) | -O(22) | 1.70 (3) |
| $-\mathrm{O}(3)$ | 1.65 (5) | -O(4) | 1.72 (4) | -O(2,21) | 1.96 (5) | -O(4,22) | 1.90 (4) |
| -O(3,4) | 2.01 (5) | -O(4,5) | 2.11 (5) | -O(3,21) | 1.82 (4) | -O( 5,22$)$ | 1.97 (4) |
| -O( 2,3 ) | 1.81 (4) | -O(3,4) | 1.87 (5) | -O(21,22) | 1.89 (5) | -O( 22,23 ) | 1.85 (4) |
| -O(3,21) | 1.99 (4) | -O(4,22) | 1.92 (3) | -O(21,25) | 1.93 (4) | -O( 21,22 ) | 1.90 (4) |
| -O( 3,13 ) | 1.88 (3) | -O(4,14) | 1.94 (3) |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | $\mathrm{W}(23)-\mathrm{O}(23, \mathrm{P}(4))$ | 2.22 (3) | $\mathrm{W}(24)-\mathrm{O}(24, \mathrm{P}(5))$ | 2.22 (3) |
| $\mathrm{W}(5)-\mathrm{O}(5,15, \mathrm{P}(3))$ | 2.28 (4) | $\mathrm{W}(6)-\mathrm{O}(6,16, \mathrm{P}(4))$ | 2.29 (4) | $-\mathrm{O}(23)$ | 1.68 (4) | -O(24) | 1.69 (3) |
| $-\mathrm{O}(5)$ | 1.70 (4) | $-\mathrm{O}(6)$ | 1.74 (5) | -O(6,23) | 1.89 (4) | -O( 8,24 ) | 1.92 (5) |
| -O( 5,6 ) | 1.99 (5) | -O(6,7) | 2.07 (4) | -O(7,23) | 1.85 (5) | -O( 9,24 ) | 1.88 (4) |
| -O(4,5) | 1.81 (5) | -O(5,6) | 1.85 (4) | -O( 23,24 ) | 1.93 (4) | -O(24,25) | 1.87 (5) |
| -O( 5,22 ) | 1.82 (3) | -O(6,23) | 1.92 (4) | -O(22,23) | 1.93 (5) | -O( 23,24 ) | 1.83 (4) |
| -O( 5,15 ) | 1.93 (3) | -O(6,16) | 1.87 (14) |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | $\mathrm{W}(25)-\mathrm{O}(25, \mathrm{P}(1))$ | 2.20 (3) | $\mathrm{W}(26)-\mathrm{O}(26, \mathrm{P}(1))$ | 2.20 (3) |
| $\mathrm{W}(7)-\mathrm{O}(7,17, \mathrm{P}(4))$ | 2.29 (4) | $\mathrm{W}(8)-\mathrm{O}(8,18, \mathrm{P}(5))$ | 2.31 (4) | -O(25) | 1.65 (3) | -O(26) | 1.64 (3) |
| $-\mathrm{O}(7)$ | 1.80 (5) | -O(8) | 1.74 (4) | -O(10,25) | 1.95 (4) | -O(20,26) | 1.91 (3) |
| -O(7,8) | 2.01 (4) | -O(8,9) | 1.94 (4) | -O(1,25) | 2.00 (5) | -O(11,26) | 1.92 (5) |
| -O(6,7) | 1.80 (4) | -O(7,8) | 1.83 (4) | -O(21,25) | 1.84 (4) | -O(26,27) | 1.85 (4) |
| -O(7,23) | 1.92 (4) | -O(8,24) | 1.86 (4) | -O(24,25) | 1.94 (5) | -O $(26,30)$ | 1.91 (5) |
| -O(7,17) | 1.84 (4) | -O $(8,18)$ | 1.90 (4) |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | $\mathrm{W}(27)-\mathrm{O}(27, \mathrm{P}(2))$ | 2.20 (3) | $\mathrm{W}(28)-\mathrm{O}(28, \mathrm{P}(3))$ | 2.21 (3) |
| $\mathrm{W}(9)-\mathrm{O}(9,19, \mathrm{P}(5))$ | 2.24 (3) | $\mathrm{W}(10)-\mathrm{O}(10,20, \mathrm{P}(1))$ | 2.20 (3) | -O(27) | 1.72 (3) | -O(28) | 1.70 (3) |
| -O(9) | 1.66 (3) | -O(10) | 1.68 (4) | -O(12,27) | 1.91 (5) | -O(14,28) | 1.95 (4) |
| -O( 9,10$)$ | 2.09 (5) | -O(1,10) | 2.08 (5) | -O(13,27) | 1.87 (4) | -O(15,28) | 1.98 (4) |
| -O( 8,9 ) | 2.00 (5) | -O( 9,10$)$ | 1.79 (5) | -O(26,27) | 1.94 (4) | -O(27,28) | 1.91 (4) |
| -O(9,24) | 1.92 (4) | -O(10,25) | 1.85 (4) | -O( 27,28 ) | 1.92 (5) | -O(28,29) | 1.83 (4) |
| -O( 9,19$)$ | 1.89 (4) | -O(10,20) | 1.99 (4) |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | $\mathrm{W}(29)-\mathrm{O}(29, \mathrm{P}(4))$ | 2.24 (3) | $\mathrm{W}(30)-\mathrm{O}(30, \mathrm{P}(5))$ | 2.19 (3) |
| $\mathrm{W}(11)-\mathrm{O}(1,11, \mathrm{P}(1))$ | 2.29 (4) | $\mathrm{W}(12)-\mathrm{O}(2,12, \mathrm{P}(2))$ | 2.28 (4) | -O(29) | 1.74 (3) | $-\mathrm{O}(30)$ | 1.73 (3) |
| -O(11) | 1.70 (5) | -O(12) | 1.74 (5) | -O(16,29) | 1.93 (4) | -O(18,30) | 1.95 (5) |
| -O(11,12) | 1.83 (3) | -O(12,13) | 1.77 (4) | -O(17,29) | 1.92 (5) | -O(19,30) | 1.87 (3) |
| -O(11,20) | 2.03 (4) | -O(11,12) | 2.00 (4) | -O(28,29) | 1.95 (5) | -O( 29,30 ) | 1.84 (4) |
| -O(11,26) | 1.88 (4) | -O(12,27) | 1.91 (4) | -O(29,30) | 1.93 (4) | -O( 26,30 ) | 1.90 (5) |
| -O( 1,11 ) | 1.83 (3) | -O(2,12) | 1.82 (4) |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | $\mathrm{Na}(1)-\mathrm{O}(21, \mathrm{P}(2))$ | 2.64 (7) | $\mathrm{Na}(2)-\mathrm{O}(26, \mathrm{P}(1))$ | 2.67 (6) |
| $\mathrm{W}(13)-\mathrm{O}(3,13, \mathrm{P}(2))$ | 2.26 (4) | $\mathrm{W}(14)-\mathrm{O}(4,14, \mathrm{P}(3))$ | 2.24 (3) | -O(22, P(3)) | 2.65 (5) | $-\mathrm{O}(27, \mathrm{P}(2))$ | 2.63 (7) |
| -O(13) | 1.78 (4) | -O(14) | 1.70 (4) | -O(23, P(4)) | 2.65 (7) | - $\mathrm{O}(28, \mathrm{P}(3))$ | 2.65 (5) |
| -O(13,14) | 1.84 (5) | -O(14,15) | 1.88 (5) | -O(24, P(5)) | 2.65 (6) | -O(29, P(4)) | 2.65 (7) |
| -O(12,13) | 2.11 (4) | -O(13,14) | 2.04 (5) | -O(25, P(1)) | 2.67 (6) | -O(30, P(5)) | 2.73 (6) |
| -O(13,27) | 1.91 (4) | -O(14,28) | 1.84 (4) |  |  |  |  |
| -O( 3,13 ) | 1.88 (4) | -O(4,14) | 1.91 (4) |  |  |  |  |

a mean value of $2.66 \AA$. The X-ray study showed a statistical distribution of one sodium atom between the two sites $\mathrm{S}_{2}$. The mean distance from the sodium atom to the five oxygen atoms of the inner plane of $S_{2}$ is $2.66 \AA$, whereas it is $3.16 \AA$ to the oxygen atoms of the outer plane. It then appears that the sodium actually is located in the inner oxygen plane (Figure 1). The sodium therefore has five neighbors above it at $3.16 \AA$, five neighbors in the plane at $2.66 \AA$ and five neighbors below it at $3.64 \AA$. (These distances are averages.) The location of the sodium in the inner plane of oxygens explains why the polyanion contains only one sodium atom. If another sodium were to be located symmetrically, one would find an interatomic ( $\mathrm{Na}-\mathrm{Na}$ ) distance of $2.50 \AA$. This is too short when compared to the
observed ionic radius. Indeed, on the basis of the shortest $\mathrm{Na}-\mathrm{O}$ distance of $2.66 \AA$, an effective ionic radius of $\mathrm{Na}^{+}$of $1.26 \AA$ is found. This compares with the value of $1.32 \AA$ given by Shannon ${ }^{18}$ for coordination number eight.

The sodium ion appears to be very tightly encrypted in the polytungstate structure and is not removed in the ion-exchange preparation of the free acid. All salts that we have prepared by metathesis contain residual sodium, and the possibility that sodium is required for the synthesis of the polyanion is discussed below. The position of the internal sodium ion reduces the symmetry of the polyanion from $D_{5}$ to $C_{5}$ and accounts for the observed ${ }^{183} \mathrm{~W}$

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Figure 4. The IR spectra, recorded in KBr pellets, of (i) [ $\left.\mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{110}\right]^{14}$ - and (ii) the product obtained when a solution of the heteropolyanion is heated with $\mathrm{Ca}^{2+}$ as described in the text.

Table V. Cathodic Peak Potentials of Cyclic Voltammograms of $\left[\mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{110}\right]^{14-}$

| pH | potential vs. $\mathrm{Ag} / \mathrm{AgCl}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $0^{a}$ | -0.22 |  |  |  | -0.35 | -0.56 |  |  |
| $1.5{ }^{\text {b }}$ | -0.25 |  |  |  | -0.37 | -0.58 |  |  |
| $2.5{ }^{\text {b }}$ | -0.37 |  |  |  | -0.50 | -0.65 |  |  |
| $3.5{ }^{\text {c }}$ | -0.39 | -0.47 | -0.55 |  | -0.60 | -0.76 | -0.95 |  |
| $4.7{ }^{\text {c }}$ | -0.40 | -0.51 | -0.59 |  | -0.65 | -0.81 | -0.97 |  |
| $5.9{ }^{\text {c }}$ | -0.38 | -0.48 | -0.57 |  | -0.69 | -0.90 | -1.02 | $-1.17$ |
| $7.0^{\text {d }}$ | -0.37 | -0.49 | -0.57 |  | -0.86 | -1.10 | -1.18 | -1.26 |
| $8.0^{\text {d }}$ | -0.37 | -0.50 | -0.62 |  | -0.90 | -1.15 | -1.20 | -1.27 |
| $9.0{ }^{\text {e }}$ | -0.39 | -0.50 | -0.64 |  | -0.93 | -1.15 | -1.20 | -1.28 |
| $10.0{ }^{\text {e }}$ | -0.35 | -0.45 | -0.58 | -0.70 | -0.90 | -1.12 | -1.24 | -1.29 |
| $10.8{ }^{\text {e }}$ | -0.35 | -0.46 | -0.60 | -0.70 | -0.91 | -1.14 | -1.26 | -1.32 |
| $12.0{ }^{\circ}$ | -0.38 | -0.49 | -0.60 | -0.69 | -0.85 | -1.04 | -1.23 |  |

NMR spectrum which has four lines in a 1:1:2:2 ratio. ${ }^{7,8}$ The IR spectrum, Figure 4, has three well-resolved bands at 1000-1150 $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ in the $\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{O}$ stretching region and is consistent with a local $C_{s}$ symmetry for the $\mathrm{PO}_{4}$ groups caused by the internal sodium ion. Direct observation of sodium by ${ }^{23} \mathrm{Na}$ NMR is possible. A solution of the potassium-sodium salt in $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ shows two peaks separated by 21 ppm . The low-field resonance ( $\Delta \nu_{1 / 2} 30 \pm 5 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ) is assigned to external cationic sodium (confirmed by spiking the solution with $\mathrm{NaNO}_{3}$ ), and the broader upfield resonance ( 460 $\pm 50 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ) is assigned to the encrypted sodium. A solution of the free acid in the same solvent gave a spectrum with the broad $-21-\mathrm{ppm}$ resonance only. ${ }^{19}$ As reported by Massart et at., ${ }^{6}$ the ${ }^{31} \mathrm{P}$ NMR spectrum consists of a single line at -10.35 ppm . ${ }^{20}$ The electronic absorption spectrum has a broad maximum at 28600 $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}\left(\epsilon 700 \mathrm{M}^{-1} \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}\right)$ and a shoulder at $35900 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}\left(9000 \mathrm{M}^{-1}\right.$ $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ).

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Figure 5. Cyclic voltammograms (pyrolytic graphite electrode, scan rate: $33.3 \mathrm{mV} \mathrm{s}^{-1}$ ) of $\left[\mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{110}\right]^{14-}$ in (i) 1 M HCl and (ii) borate buffer, pH 10. In the latter solution the first four-electron reduction, $a$, is resolved into one-electron steps.

Redox Chemistry. The heteropolyanion is reducible to heteropoly blue species, a behavior that is consistent with the monooxo (type I) coordination environment of the tungsten atoms. ${ }^{21}$ Polarographic and voltammetric measurements are summarized in Table V and Figure 5. In 1 M HCl , the first two reduction steps ( a and b ) correspond to four electrons each as confirmed by controlled potential electrolyses at -0.31 and -0.51 V vs. SCE. The resultant heteropoly blue solutions were examined by ${ }^{31} \mathrm{P}$ and ${ }^{23} \mathrm{Na}$ NMR spectroscopy. No changes in the spectra were detected for the four-electron product. The ${ }^{31} \mathrm{P}$ spectrum of the eightelectron blue consisted of a single unbroadened line at -11.55 ppm and shows that the eight electrons are totally "delocalized" ${ }^{22}$ over one (or more) of the planes of tungsten atoms.
At pH 10 the first reduction step has split into a sequence of one-electron reductions as is observed for most heteropolytungstate systems. ${ }^{23}$ Sequential controlled potential electrolyses at -0.39 , $-0.52,-0.62$, and -0.73 V resulted in the quantitative addition of one, two, three, and four electrons. The electronic absorption spectra of these solutions showed a broad (ca. $5000 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ halfwidth) featureless band centered at $14300 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ with extinction coefficients of $4400,11700,24700$, and $35800 \mathrm{M}^{-1} \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$, respectively. Although the one-electron product must be paramagnetic, no ESR spectrum could be observed at 77 K , a result of very rapid intervalence electron transfer and/or extensive delocalization, probably through the corner-shared junctions of the $\mathrm{W}_{5}$ or $\mathrm{W}_{10}$ rings. ${ }^{24}$ Further investigation at lower temperatures is planned. All reduced solutions could be reoxidized quantitatively to the original heteropolyanion.
Derivative Anions. (a) Sodium Replacement. In contrast to other polytungstate cryptates $\left[\mathrm{NaSb}_{9} \mathrm{~W}_{21} \mathrm{O}_{86}\right]^{18-}{ }^{18}$ and $\left[\mathrm{KAs}_{4} \mathrm{~W}_{40} \mathrm{O}_{140}\right]^{27-},{ }^{3 c, 26}$ which readily undergo alkali metal re-
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Figure 6. Cyclic voltammogram of the product obtained by heating a solution of $\left[\mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{110}\right]^{14-}$ with $\mathrm{Ca}^{2+}$ at $\mathrm{pH} 8-9$ (see text).
placement reactions, the sodium ion in $\left[\mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{110}\right]^{14-}$ is very tightly bound, at least in a kinetic sense. This is shown by the the resolution of two ${ }^{23} \mathrm{Na}$ NMR lines in aqueous solution and the non-replacement of the internal sodium in ion-exchange experiments. Measurements with a sodium electrode confirmed that the activity of $\mathrm{Na}^{+}$in a millimolar solution of $\mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{110}$ was ca. $2 \times 10^{-5} \mathrm{M}$, a value that is close to the detectable limit. Attempts were made to displace the sodium by calcium ion, which has a similar radius ( $1.26 \AA$ for coordination number 8 ) and which, by virtue of its higher charge, might be expected to be more strongly bound to the polytungstate. The following procedure was successful. A sample of 85 mg of $\mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{110}(10 \mu \mathrm{~mol})$ was dissolved in 9.5 mL of distilled water in an acid-washed plastic beaker, and 5 mL of an ammonia-ammonium chloride buffer (ca. $3.7 \mathrm{M} \mathrm{Cl}^{-}, \mathrm{pH} 8.5$ ) was added. To this mixture was added a twofold excess of $\mathrm{Ca}^{2+}\left(4.7 \mathrm{mg}\right.$ of $\left.\mathrm{Ca}\left(\mathrm{NO}_{3}\right)_{2} \cdot 4 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)$. At this stage the sodium activity of the solution was determined to be ca. $2 \times$ $10^{-5} \mathrm{M}$ or $2 \%$ of the total sodium present. The solution was transferred to a Teflon-lined acid digestion bomb (Parr model 4746 ) and heated overnight in an oven at $120^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. After the solution had been allowed to cool, its pH was 8.2 and its sodium ion activity was found to be 1.0 mM , or $100 \%$ of that present. Repeat experiments gave values of $0.8,0.9,1.1$, and 1.0 mM after heating. The heated solutions were also sujected to voltammetric examination. After addition of 2 mL of this solution to 8 mL of 1 M HCl to bring the pH to ca. 1 the cyclic voltammogram (Figure 6) was similar to that of the starting material except that the first reduction step had been split into two. A sample of the potassium salt of the heated polyanion was isolated by addition of KCl . The IR spectrum is indistinguishable from that of the starting material except for a splitting of the $\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{O}$ stretching band at $1145 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ (Figure 4).

The above experiments were repeated with $\mathrm{MgCl}_{2}, \mathrm{Ba}\left(\mathrm{NO}_{3}\right)_{2}$, and $\mathrm{MnCl}_{2}$. Only in the case of $\mathrm{MgCl}_{2}$ did the heated solution show an increase of sodium activity, corresponding to about $30 \%$ displacement of $\mathrm{Na}^{+}$by $\mathrm{Mg}^{2+}$. Attempts to replace $\mathrm{Na}^{+}$by trivalent cations of similar radius, $\mathrm{Ce}^{3+}$ and $\mathrm{Pr}^{3+}$, resulted in precipitation of the hydrous oxides.

Blank experiments in which the calcium-polyanion solution was not heated, or was heated at a lower pH , resulted in no release of sodium ion. These results suggest that sodium exchange occurs via partial hydrolysis of the polyanion structure and may involve a lacunary intermediate, cf. the $\left[\mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{~W}_{18} \mathrm{O}_{62}\right]^{6-}-\left[\mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{~W}_{17} \mathrm{O}_{61}\right]^{10-}$ and allied systems. If this is so the sodium ion should be regarded as a true heteroatom which must be present to ensure the formation of the polyanion. The experiments leading to the formation of vanadium-substituted polyanions (see below) support the hypothesis of the existence of lacunary structures. The following experiments demonstrate the essentiality of sodium. Sodium tungstate was converted to the lithium salt by ion exchange on a column of Dowex $50 \times 8$ and evaporation of the eluate to dryness. The product gave no sodium flame. To a solution of 6.0 g of this salt in 8 mL of water was added 5.3 mL of $85 \% \mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{PO}_{4}(\mathrm{P} / \mathrm{W}$ $=3.9$ ), and the mixture was transferred to a Teflon-lined acid


Figure 7. Cathodic sweep voltammograms of reaction mixtures resulting from the heating, in a Teflon-lined bomb at $120^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for ca. 12 h , of (upper) $1.7 \mathrm{M} \mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{WO}_{4}+6.7 \mathrm{M} \mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{PO}_{4}$ and (lower) $1.7 \mathrm{M} \mathrm{Li}_{2} \mathrm{WO}_{4}+$ $6.7 \mathrm{M} \mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{PO}_{4}$. A sample of each product solution was diluted with 1 M HCl to ca. $1.6 \times 10^{-2} \mathrm{M}$ in tungsten(VI) prior to recording the voltammogram. The upper trace shows reduction processes for $\left[\mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{~W}_{18} \mathrm{O}_{62}\right]^{6-}$ and $\left[\mathrm{NaP} \mathrm{W}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{110}\right]^{14}$. Comparison with voltammograms of mixtures of the pure components shows that the molar proportion of the two anions is ca. 3:1. The arrows indicate the positions of the peak potentials for the $P_{5} W_{30}$ anion, the second and third of which overlap with the third and fourth reductions of $P_{2} W_{18}$. The lower trace shows reduction peaks of the $\mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{~W}_{18}$ anion only, in greater yield. Close inspection of the lower voltammogram reveals a minor contamination ( $<3 \%$ ) with $\mathrm{P}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30}$, a result almost certainly of traces of adventitious $\mathrm{Na}^{+}$.


Figure 8. X-band spectra of $\left[\mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{29} \mathrm{VO}_{110}\right]^{16-}$ isomers recorded in an aqueous-glycerol glass at 77 K . The upper trace is of the mixture of isomers A and B as produced in the synthesis. The lower traces are of solutions that haave been fractionated on a Sephadex column as described in the text.
digestion bomb and heated overnight at $120^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. After the solution had been allowed to cool, it was diluted by the addition of 1 mL of water. One-tenth of a milliliter of this solution was added to 1 M HCl to give a total volume of 10 mL . The cyclic voltammogram of this solution (Figure 7) shows it to contain $\left[\mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{~W}_{18} \mathrm{O}_{62}\right]^{6-}$ as the only electroactive species. A repeat experiment gave identical results, but when $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{WO}_{4}$ was used in the same appartus, the resulting solution contained a mixture of $\left[\mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{~W}_{18} \mathrm{O}_{62}\right]^{6-}$ and $\left[\mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{110}\right]^{14-}$ in the molar proportion of ca. 3:1, see Figure 7.
(b) Tungsten Replacement. As described in the Experimental Section, treatment of $\left[\mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{110}\right]^{14-}$ with NaOH leads to a

Table VI. ESR Parameters of $\left[\mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{29} \mathrm{VO}_{110}\right]^{16-}$ Isomers

|  | $g_{\\|}$ | $g_{\perp}$ | $A_{\\|}{ }^{a}$ | $A_{\perp}{ }^{a}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| isomer A | $1.904(5)$ | $1.928(10)$ | $191(5)$ | $50(5)$ |
| isomer B | $1.889(5)$ | $1.936(10)$ | $185(5)$ | $52(5)$ |

${ }^{a}$ Gauss.


Figure 9. Cyclic voltammogram of $\left[\mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{29} \mathrm{VO}_{110}\right]^{16}$ - (predominantly isomer B) in HCl .
material that reacts with $\mathrm{VOSO}_{4}$ to yield a vanadium-containing tungstophosphate. The IR spectrum of the recrystallized purple material is indistinguishable from that of the starting polyanion, but the ESR spectrum of a frozen solution shows it to be a mixture of at least two species, A and B, see Figure 8. Separation of A and B was achieved by chromatography on modified Sephadex as described elsewhere. ${ }^{27}$ Both fractions yielded solids that had IR spectra that were identical with that of $\left[\mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{110}\right]^{14-}$ and are considered to be isomers of $\left[\mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{29} \mathrm{VO}_{110}\right]^{166}$. The ESR parameters of A and B , confirmed by simulation, are given in Table VI.

The relative yields of $A$ and $B$ varied from one preparation to the next, and sufficient quantities only of $B$, which was eluted first from the Sephadex column, could be accumulated for further characterization. A cyclic voltammogram of this material, Figure 9 , is similar to that of $\left[\mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{110}\right]^{14-}$ except that a new one-electron redox feature is observed at $E_{\mathrm{p} c}=+0.42 \mathrm{~V}$. That this corresponded to the vanadium oxidation-reduction was confirmed by controlled-potential electrolyses at $+0.80 \mathrm{~V}(\rightarrow$ $\left[\mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{29} \mathrm{VO}_{110}\right]^{15-}$, yellow, ESR inactive) and $0.0 \mathrm{~V}(\rightarrow$ $\left[\mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{29} \mathrm{VO}_{110}\right]^{16-}$, purple, ESR active).

On the basis of the structure found for $\left[\mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{110}\right]^{14-}$, there are four possible isomers for $\left[\mathrm{NaP} \mathrm{P}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{29} \mathrm{VO}_{110}\right]^{15-}$ corresponding to the $\mathrm{VO}_{6}$ octahedron in each of the four planes of $\mathrm{WO}_{6}$ octahedra that constitute the anion. We denote these by $\mathrm{I}, \mathrm{I}^{\prime}, \mathrm{II}$, and $\mathrm{II}^{\prime}$, where I indicates vanadium substitution in the five-metal rings, II indicates substitution in the ten-metal rings, and the primes indicate substitution in the half of the anion that contains the sodium ion. The two isomers A and B are provisionally identified as II (and/or II') and I (and/or I'), respectively, on the basis of their ESR parameters, notably $g_{\|}$. We have elsewhere made the empirical correlation that, for tungstovanadates, $g_{\psi}$ decreases as the number of corner-shared (as opposed to edge-shared) connections, $\mathrm{V}-\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{W}$, increases. ${ }^{27}$ The anions $\alpha_{1}-\left[\mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{~W}_{17} \mathrm{VO}_{62}\right]^{8-}$ with three such connections and $\left[\mathrm{As}_{2} \mathrm{~W}_{20} \mathrm{VO}_{69}\right]^{8-28}$ with four together with isomer B of $\left[\mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{29} \mathrm{VO}_{11}\right]^{16-}$ are the only tungstovanadates with $g<1.9$. Isomers I and II have four and three corner-shared connections respectively, and we therefore identify the species with the smaller $g_{\|}$as isomer I. ${ }^{29}$
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## Conclusions

The unusual stoichiometry and structure of the heteropolyanion require some comment, for there are very few examples of molecular species with fivefold symmetry axes. ${ }^{30}$ A space-filling model for $\left[\mathrm{P}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{110}\right]^{15-}$, using hard spheres for the oxide ions, shows that, apart from the central core, the anion is very nearly a close-placed structure (as are the Keggin and Dawson anions). Calculations show that a cyclic hexamer $\left(\mathrm{P}_{6} \mathrm{~W}_{36} \mathrm{O}_{132}\right)$ is almost as good an approximation to a close-packed structure since the hard sphere $\mathrm{PW}_{6} \mathrm{O}_{22}$ "cake slice" subtends an angle of ca $63^{\circ}$. All other possibilities ( $\mathrm{P}_{3} \mathrm{~W}_{18} \mathrm{O}_{66}, \mathrm{P}_{4} \mathrm{~W}_{24} \mathrm{O}_{88}$, etc.) are incommensurate with a cyclic structure. We suppose that the central sodium ion controls assembly of a pentameric structure, since the Preyssler anion is not formed when $\mathrm{Na}^{+}$is strictly excluded. ${ }^{31}$

We have already noted that the $\mathrm{PW}_{6}$ units from which the anion is constructed can be obtained from the Keggin structure by removal of two triplets of corner-shared $\mathrm{WO}_{6}$ octahedra. Each triplet has a net stoichiometry of $\mathrm{W}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{6}\left(\mathrm{O}_{1 / 2}\right)_{6}$ or $\mathrm{W}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{9} .{ }^{32}$ The three compact (type $\mathrm{I}^{21}$ ) tungstophosphate heteropolyanions $\alpha$ $\left[\mathrm{PW}_{12} \mathrm{O}_{40}\right]^{3-}, \alpha-\left[\mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{~W}_{18} \mathrm{O}_{62}\right]^{6-}$, and $\left[\mathrm{NaP}_{5} \mathrm{~W}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{110}\right]^{14-}$ have structures composed only of such corner-shared $\mathrm{W}_{3}$ groups and may be formulated as $\left[\left(\mathrm{PO}_{4}\right)\left(\mathrm{W}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{9}\right)_{4}\right]^{3-},\left[\left(\mathrm{PO}_{4}\right)_{2}\left(\mathrm{~W}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{9}\right)_{6}\right]^{6-}$, and $\left[\mathrm{Na}\left(\mathrm{PO}_{4}\right)_{5}\left(\mathrm{~W}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{9}\right)_{10}\right]^{14-}$. The stereochemical arrangement of $\mathrm{W}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{9}$ groups about the $\mathrm{PO}_{4}{ }^{3-}$ a nions is topologically analogous to that of hydrogen atoms about carbon in methane $\left[\mathrm{CH}_{4}\right]$, ethane $\left[\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{2}\right]$, and (planar) cyclopentane $\left[\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{5}\right]$, respectively. In view of the existence of saturated hydrocarbons $(\mathrm{CH})_{n}$ (cubane, dodecahedrane, etc.), we are moved to speculate about the possibility of a higher tungstophosphate "homologue", $\left[\left(\mathrm{PO}_{4}\right)_{n}^{-}\right.$ $\left.\left(\mathrm{W}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{9}\right)_{n}\right]^{3 n-}$. Although there are reports ${ }^{33}$ of tungstophosphates with $\mathrm{P}: \mathrm{W}=1: 3$, little is known of their true stoichiometry. It seems likely that the hypothetical homologue of Preyssler's anion would have to be formed around a template species that accommodates all of the stereochemical requirements of the $\mathrm{PO}_{4} \mathrm{~W}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{9}$ groups.

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(29) That isomer B is probably a mixture of I and $I^{\prime}$ is shown by preliminary ${ }^{31}$ P NMR spectra which have several lines, two of which are shifted significantly downfield from that of the unsubstituted anion ( -7.71 and -7.90 vs. -10.35 ppm ). These two lines have much shorter relaxation times than the others. On the basis of our experience with other tungstovanadophosphates such lines can be assigned to phosphorus atoms that share an oxygen with the vanadium atom. ${ }^{27}$ There is only one such phosphorus in each of the four possible isomers.
(30) Cyclopentadienide anion and certain derivatives, $\left[\mathrm{B}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{12}\right]^{2-}$ and $\mathrm{C}_{20} \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ (dodecahedrane).
(31) It is of course conceivable that a larger cation might act as a template for the $\mathrm{P}_{6} \mathrm{~W}_{36}$ structure. The obvious candidate, $\mathrm{K}^{+}$, causes solubility problems in the synthesis solutions, and we have not explored this further.
(32) A cyclic $\mathrm{M}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{9}$ group can be constructed of corner-shared $\mathrm{MO}_{4}$ tet rahedra, and the Keggin anion, for example, can be assembled by adding such groups to the central $\mathrm{XO}_{4}$ tetrahedron. The $\mathrm{M}-\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{M}$ bond length alternations that are so evident in the structures of $\alpha-\left[\mathrm{GeMo}_{12} \mathrm{O}_{40}\right]^{4-}$ [Strandberg, R. Acta Crystallogr., Sect. B 1977, B33, 3090] and $\alpha-\left[\mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{Mo}_{18} \mathrm{O}_{62}\right]^{6-}$ (ref 17), as well as in the present structure, may reflect the effects of converting a terminal $\mathrm{M}^{\text {tet }}-\mathrm{O}$ bond to bridging $\mathrm{M}^{\infty \text { ot }}-\mathrm{O} \cdots \mathrm{M}$. See also Day et al. (Day, V. W.; Fredrich, M. F.; Klemperer, W. G.; Shum, W. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1977, 99, 952) for a discussion of pentamolybdodiphosphate anions from a similar viewpoint.
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[^4]:    (19) $A^{183}$ W NMR spectrum of the free acid, kindly recorded by Dr. P. Domaille (E. I. DuPont de Nemours, Wilmington, DE), showed the same four-line pattern as the salt. The ${ }^{23} \mathrm{Na}$ spectra were recorded at 23.81 MHz on the Bruker WH90 spectrometer (sweep width, 6000 Hz ; pulse width, 15 $\mu \mathrm{s}$; acquisition time, 0.679 s ). The number of scans for the potassium-sodium salt ( 0.07 M ) was 68775 and for the free acid ( 0.14 M ) was 3271. A quantitative determination of sodium in the polyanion was attempted by using the Bruker WM 500 spectrometer. A sodium nitrate solution in $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ was used as an external reference. In order to record spectra without any possibility of exchange, a 0.024 M polyanion solution was placed in a $10-\mathrm{mm}$ NMR tube and $0.125 \mathrm{M} \mathrm{NaNO}_{3}$ was placed in an inner coaxial tube of 4 -mm diameter. The ${ }^{23} \mathrm{Na}$ resonance frequency was 132.29 MHz and the spectral width 10000 Hz . Other spectral parameters were the following: pulse width, $30 \mu \mathrm{~S}$; acquisition time, $0.82 \mathrm{~s} ;$ no. of scans, 480 . The reference sodium signal (half-width 8.5 Hz ) had an integrated intensity of 0.92 units, and the polyanion signal ( $470 \mathrm{~Hz}, 19.3$ ppm upfield) had an integrated intensity of 1.04 units, i.e., the ratio $\mathrm{Na}($ in $) / \mathrm{Na}($ out $)=1.13$ (calcd 1.00 ).
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