

Synthesis of a C_{60} complex with N,N,N',N' -tetramethyl-*p*-phenylenediamine and its crystal structure

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The complex of fullerene C_{60} with N,N,N',N' -tetramethyl-*p*-phenylenediamine (TMPD) was synthesized and studied by X-ray analysis.

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Fullerene C_{60} is a good electron acceptor¹ and its ground and excited states readily enter redox reactions.² It has been shown previously that organic amines possessing electron-donating properties form charge-transfer complexes between C_{60} and amine,³ which are of interest as promising nonlinear optical materials.⁴ It has been reported on the ferromagnetic properties of the C_{60} complex with tetrakis(dimethylamino)ethylene ($C_{60} \cdot TDAE$), one of the representatives of tertiary amines.⁵ The complexes of tetrakis(dimethylamino)-ethylene have been considered recently as a new state of spin glasses.⁶

Literature data on the crystal structure of C_{60} complexes with tertiary amines are almost nonexistent. The structures of crystallosolvates of C_{60} with benzene ($C_{60} \cdot 4C_6H_6$)^{7,8} and CH_2I_2 ($C_{60} \cdot C_6H_6 \cdot CH_2I_2$)⁹; intercalates of C_{60} with ferrocene ($C_{60} \cdot [(\eta^5-C_5H_5)_2Fe]_2$)¹⁰ 1,4-hydroquinone ($C_{60} \cdot (HQ)_2$)¹¹ bis(ethylenethio)-tetrathiafulvalene ($C_{60} \cdot (BEDT-TTF)_2$)¹² and sulfur ($C_{60} \cdot 2S_8$)^{13,14} solvated intercalates of C_{60} with iodine and toluene ($C_{60} \cdot I_2 \cdot PhMe$)¹⁵ and bis(dimethylthieno)tetra-tellurathiafulvalene and carbon disulfide ((BDMT-TTeF) \times $C_{60} \cdot CS_2$)¹⁶ octamethylenetetrathiafulvalene and benzene ((OMTTF) $\cdot C_{60} \cdot C_6H_6$)¹⁷ and "twinned" BEDT-TTF with carbon disulfide (twin(BEDT-TTF) \times $C_{60} \cdot CS_2$)¹⁸ were reported.

This work describes the synthesis and crystal structure of the C_{60} complex with N,N,N',N' -tetramethyl-*p*-phenylenediamine (TMPD). The composition of the complex $C_{60} \cdot TMPD$ was established by the X-ray analysis. Crystals of the complex were grown from a solution of C_{60} and TMPD in chlorobenzene at the concentration ratio $[C_{60}] : [TMPD] = 0.001 : 1$ (mol L⁻¹). Under these conditions, about 50 % of C_{60} molecules in the solution are bound in the complex.¹⁹ Crystals of $C_{60} \cdot TMPD$ are black, their size is suitable for X-ray analysis, and they are formed over a week upon slow evaporation of the solvent

followed by washing from the residue of TMPD with acetone. For control experiments, crystals of C_{60} were also obtained from a chlorobenzene solution in the absence of the amine.

The IR spectra of $C_{60} \cdot TMPD$ single crystals contain the corresponding absorption bands of C_{60} and TMPD. A weak absorption of chlorobenzene is also observed, which is an order of magnitude weaker than that of C_{60} crystals obtained from the solution in the absence of the amine (the absorption of PhCl is compared relative to that of C_{60}). In addition, the IR spectra of $C_{60} \cdot TMPD$ exhibit a red shift of several vibrational bands of C_{60} , especially pronounced for the frequency of 1428 cm⁻¹, and the distortion of some background modes of the vibrational bands of TMPD. These results likely testify to the formation of the $C_{60} \cdot TMPD$ complex with the partial charge transfer from the amine molecule to C_{60} . The detailed analysis of the IR spectra of the crystals obtained will be published elsewhere.²⁰

According to the data of the X-ray study, $[C_{60}] : [TMPD] = 1 : 1$. The main crystallographic parameters are: $C_{70}H_{16}N_2$, $M = 884.91$, triclinic unit cell, $a = 10.124(2)$ Å, $b = 10.244(2)$ Å, $c = 10.544(1)$ Å, $\alpha = 78.24(1)^\circ$, $\beta = 84.07(1)^\circ$, $\gamma = 59.60(2)^\circ$, $V = 884.8(2)$ Å³, space group $P\bar{1}$, $Z = 1$, $d_{calc} = 1.66$ g cm⁻³, $F(000) = 450$.

The structure was solved by the direct method and refined by the least-squares method in the anisotropic approximation for nonhydrogen atoms to $R = 0.15$. The calculations were performed by SHELXS-86 and SHELXL-93 program complexes on a PC AT-486. The relatively high value of the R factor is likely explained by some positional disordering of C_{60} molecules in the crystal. The assumption of disordering of C_{60} molecules is confirmed by the observation of a considerable number of peaks of the electron density near the main sites of the carbon atoms of C_{60} in the differential synthesis. The inclusion of these peaks into the calculation and

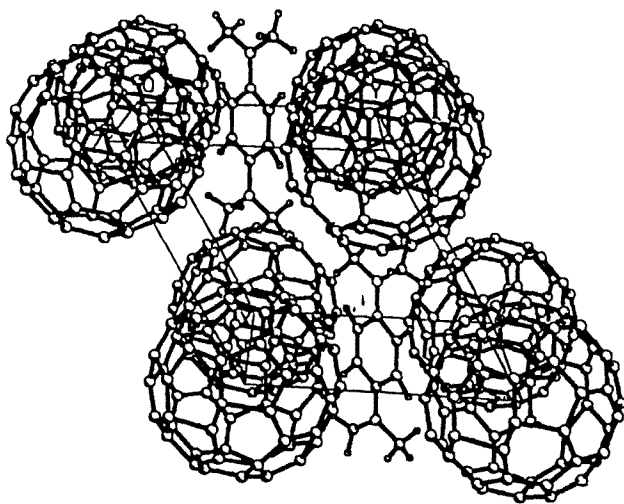


Fig. 1. Crystal structure of $C_{60} \cdot \text{TMPD}$ complex.

simultaneous refinement of populations of the main and additional sites of C_{60} atoms result in a decrease in R to 0.08.

The crystal structure of $C_{60} \cdot \text{TMPD}$ is layers of TMPD and C_{60} alternating along the b axis (Fig. 1). Molecules of C_{60} are arranged in symmetry centers (0, 0, 0) at the vertices of the cell, and TMPD molecules are localized in symmetry centers (0, 1/2, 1/2) on planes (0yz). The main bond lengths and bond angles in TMPD molecules are presented in Fig. 2. The shortened intermolecular contacts $C \cdots C$ [3.21(2)–3.32(1) Å] (the sum of van der Waals radii of these atoms is equal to 3.42 Å) are determined between C_{60} and TMPD.²¹

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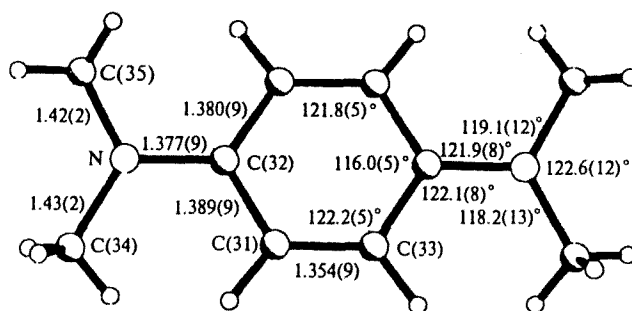


Fig. 2. Molecular structure of TMPD in $C_{60} \cdot \text{TMPD}$ complex (bond lengths (Å) and bond angles are indicated).

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