

Synthesis and characterization of a new monophosphate [2,5-(CH₃)₂C₆H₃NH₃]⁺H₂PO₄[−]

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Abstract

Chemical preparation, calorimetric studies, crystal structure and spectroscopic investigations are given for a new noncentrosymmetric organic cation monophosphate [2,5-(CH₃)₂C₆H₃NH₃]⁺H₂PO₄[−]. This compound is orthorhombic *P*2₁2₁2₁ with the following unit-cell parameters: *a* = 5.872(4), *b* = 20.984(3), *c* = 8.465(1) Å, *Z* = 4, *V* = 1043.0(5) Å³ and *D_x* = 1.396 g cm^{−3}. Crystal structure has been solved and refined to *R* = 0.048 using 2526 independent reflections. Structure can be described as an inorganic layer parallel to (*a*, *b*) planes between which organic groups [2,5-(CH₃)₂C₆H₃NH₃]⁺ are located. Multiple hydrogen bonds connecting the different entities of compound thrust upon three-dimensional network a noncentrosymmetric configuration.

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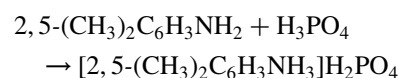
1. Introduction

Crystal engineering of non-linear optical crystals [1] is supported by some observations: (i) the anchorage of organic cations onto inorganic subnetworks through multiple and short hydrogen bonds providing the packing with the cohesion observed in the ionic inorganic crystals; (ii) a blue shift of the crystal transparency resulting from the less polarizable nature of the protonated 2,5-dimethylphenylaminium cation as compared to an equivalent purely organic crystal; (iii) the building of acentric framework without using polarisable chiral entities. In this context, we report the synthesis and the crystal structure of a new organic cation monophosphate: [2,5-(CH₃)₂C₆H₃NH₃]⁺H₂PO₄[−]. This compound was synthesized within a systematic search on new materials resulting from the association of organic and inorganic entities, which could be of particular interest in non-linear optics.

2. Experimental

2.1. Chemical preparation

Crystals of the title compound [2,5-(CH₃)₂C₆H₃NH₃]⁺H₂PO₄[−] were prepared by slowly adding, at room temperature, 6.8 cm³ of H₃PO₄ (85%, *d* = 1.7) to an alcoholic solution containing 12.6 cm³ of 2,5-dimethylaniline (98%, *d* = 0.98). A crystalline precipitate was formed resulting from the following reaction:



After dissolution by adding H₂O the solution is slowly evaporated at room temperature during several days until the formation of transparent prismatic crystals with suitable dimensions for crystallographic study. The crystals are stable for months in normal conditions of temperature and humidity.

2.2. Investigation techniques

The title compound has been studied by various physico-chemical methods.

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2.2.1. X-ray diffraction

The intensity data collection was performed using a MACH3 Enraf–Nonius diffractometer. The experimental conditions of data collection, the strategy followed for the structure determination and its final results are given in Table 1.

2.2.2. Thermal behavior

Thermal analysis was performed using the ‘multimodule 92 Setaram’ analyzer operating from room temperature up to 450 °C at an average heating rate of 5 °C/min.

2.2.3. Infrared spectroscopy

Spectra were recorded in the range 4000–200 cm^{−1} with a ‘Perkin-Elmer FTIR’ spectrophotometer 1000 using samples dispersed in spectroscopically pure KBr pellets.

Table 1

Crystal data, experimental parameters used for the intensity collection, strategy and final results of the structure determination

<i>I-Crystal data</i>	
Formula:	$F_w = 219.18$
[2,5-(CH ₃) ₂ C ₆ H ₃ NH ₃][H ₂ PO ₄]	
System: orthorhombic	Space group: $P2_12_12_1$
$a = 5.872(4)$, $b = 20.984(3)$, $c = 8.465(1)$ Å	$V = 1143.0(1)$ Å ³ , $Z = 4$
Refinement of unit cell parameters with 25 reflections ($10^\circ < \theta < 12^\circ$)	
$\rho_{\text{cal.}} = 1.396$ g. cm ^{−3}	$F(000) = 464$
Morphology: prism	Crystal size (mm): $0.40 \times 0.35 \times 0.30$
Linear absorption factor: μ (Mo K α) = 2.525 cm ^{−1}	
<i>II-Intensity measurements</i>	
Diffractometer: Enraf– Nonius MACH3 (296 K)	Wavelength: Ag K α (0.5608 Å)
Scan mode: $\omega 2\theta$	Theta range: 2–30°
Measurement area: h, k, l	$h_{\text{max.}} = 10$, $k_{\text{max.}} = 37$, $l_{\text{max.}} = 15$
Nb. of scanned reflections: 3528	Nb. of independent reflections: 3528
Two intensity and orientation control reflections: 0 7 4 and 0 $\bar{7}$ 4, no variation, every 400	
<i>III-Structure determination</i>	
Lorentz and polarization corrections	Absorption correction: empirical ($T_{\text{max}} = 1.000$, $T_{\text{min}} = 0.738$)
Determination: a direct method SIR92 [2]	Program used: teXsan [3]
Thermal displacement parameters: isotropic for H atoms, anisotropic for non-H atoms	
H atoms position were located by Fourier difference syntheses	
Unique reflections included: 2694 with $I > 2\sigma(I)$	Weighting scheme: sigma
Agreement factors $R : 0.038$, $R_w : 0.055$	Refined parameters: 183
Residual Fourier density: $-0.25 < \rho < 0.25$ e Å ^{−3}	Largest shift/error: 0.8
Drawings made with Diamond [4]	Esd: 1.00

2.2.4. NMR spectroscopy

All NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker DSX-300 spectrometer operating at 75.49 MHz for ¹³C and 121.51 MHz for ³¹P with a classical 4 mm probehead allowing spinning rates up to 10 kHz. ¹³C NMR chemical shifts are given relative to tetramethylsilane and ³¹P ones relative to 85% H₃PO₄ (external references, precision 0.5 ppm). Phosphorous spectra were recorded under classical MAS conditions while the carbon ones were recorded by use of cross-polarization from protons (contact time 5 ms). Analysis of MAS-NMR spectrum was carried out by using the Bruker program WINTFIT [5]. To assign NMR components to the various carbons of the organic groups, ab initio calculations were performed with the GAUSSIAN 98 software [6].

3. Results and discussion

3.1. Structure description

Structural determination shows that the title compound crystallizes in the orthorhombic system with the noncentrosymmetric space group, $P2_12_12_1$, which is confirmed by a positive second harmonic generation powder test observed on a sample illuminated by YAG Nd³⁺ laser radiation at 1.06 μm.

The final atomic coordinates of all non-hydrogen atoms of [2,5-(CH₃)₂C₆H₃NH₃][H₂PO₄] and their Beq are given in Table 2. Those of hydrogen atoms, determined by difference Fourier maps and not refined, are not given in order to shorten the table. The main geometrical features of different entities are reported in Table 3.

A perspective view of the asymmetric unit of the structure is depicted in Fig. 1, while the complete atomic arrangement is shown in Fig. 2. This latter shows that the H₂PO₄[−] inorganic entities have a layered organization around the planes $y = 1/4$ and $3/4$.

Table 2

Final atomic coordinates and Beq for the non-hydrogen atoms

Atoms	$x(\sigma)$	$y(\sigma)$	$z(\sigma)$	Beq (Å ²)
P	1.38335(5)	0.22775(1)	1.33199(4)	1.973(4)
O(1)	1.2354(2)	0.17284(5)	1.4021(2)	3.01(2)
O(2)	1.6284(2)	0.19800(5)	1.31809(13)	2.89(2)
O(3)	1.3883(2)	0.28370(4)	1.44338(13)	2.53(2)
O(4)	1.3038(2)	0.24202(5)	1.16788(13)	3.04(2)
N	0.9415(2)	0.17362(5)	1.0537(1)	2.23(2)
C(1)	0.9893(2)	0.10787(6)	1.0089(2)	2.25(2)
C(2)	1.1786(3)	0.09513(7)	0.9152(2)	2.78(2)
C(3)	1.2176(3)	0.03097(8)	0.8787(3)	3.69(3)
C(4)	1.0719(4)	0.01672(7)	0.9303(3)	3.88(3)
C(5)	0.8806(4)	−0.00300(7)	1.0194(2)	3.31(3)
C(6)	0.8424(3)	0.06069(7)	1.0606(2)	2.72(2)
C(7)	1.3319(4)	0.14601(10)	0.8514(3)	3.90(3)
C(8)	0.7194(5)	0.05418(9)	1.0702(4)	4.88(5)

Note. Esd are given in parentheses.

Table 3

Main interatomic distances (Å) and angles (°) in [2,5-(CH₃)₂C₆H₃NH₃]⁺H₂PO₄[−] atomic arrangement

<i>The PO₄ tetrahedron</i>				
P	O(1)	O(2)	O(3)	O(4)
O(1)	1.560(1)	2.471(2)	2.518(2)	2.490(2)
O(2)	104.15(8)	1.573(2)	2.519(2)	2.471(3)
O(3)	110.39(7)	109.78(7)	1.506(1)	2.540(2)
O(4)	109.02(8)	107.21(9)	115.56 (1)	1.496(1)
O(1)–H(1)	0.81(2)	O(2)–H(2)	0.79(3)	
P–O(1)–H(1)	115(2)	P–O(2)–H(2)	117(2)	
<i>[2,5-(CH₃)₂C₆H₃NH₃]⁺ group</i>				
C(1)–C(2)	1.391(2)	C(1)–C(2)–C(3)	116.2(2)	
C(2)–C(3)	1.400(2)	C(1)–C(2)–C(7)	123.3(1)	
C(2)–C(7)	1.498(3)	C(3)–C(2)–C(7)	120.5(2)	
C(3)–C(4)	1.387(3)	C(2)–C(3)–C(4)	121.6(2)	
C(4)–C(5)	1.384(3)	C(3)–C(4)–C(5)	121.5(2)	
C(5)–C(6)	1.399(2)	C(4)–C(5)–C(6)	117.7(2)	
C(5)–C(8)	1.494(3)	C(4)–C(5)–C(8)	121.4(2)	
C(6)–C(1)	1.384(2)	C(6)–C(5)–C(8)	120.9(2)	
N–C(1)	1.458(2)	C(5)–C(6)–C(1)	120.3(2)	
N–H(3)	0.98(3)	C(6)–C(1)–C(2)	122.7(1)	
N–H(4)	0.95(3)	N–C(1)–C(2)	118.9(1)	
N–H(5)	0.95(3)	N–C(1)–C(6)	118.3(1)	
		C(1)–N–H(3)	113(5)	
		C(1)–N–H(4)	115(1)	
		C(1)–N–H(5)	110(1)	
<i>The hydrogen bonds</i>				
O(N)–H...O	O(N)–H	H...O	O(N)...O	O(N)–H...O
O(1)–H(1)...O(3)	0.81(2)	1.78(2)	2.588(2)	174(2)
O(2)–H(2)...O(3)	0.79(3)	1.78(3)	2.560(2)	167(2)
N–H(3)...O(4)	0.98(3)	1.73(2)	2.703(2)	170(2)
N–H(4)...O(2)	0.95(3)	2.00(3)	2.941(2)	173(2)
N–H(5)...O(4)	0.95(3)	1.80(3)	2.742(2)	170(2)

Note. Esd are given in parentheses.

Fig. 3 represents a projection of such a layer located in the plane $y = 3/4$. It shows that the H₂PO₄[−] groups are connected by strong hydrogen bonds to form infinite corrugated chains in the c -direction of composition (H₂PO₄)_{*n*}^{*n*−}. These chains are themselves interconnected by means of N–H...O hydrogen bonds originating from the NH₃⁺ group, so as to build inorganic layers formed by H₂PO₄[−] and NH₃⁺ groups. The P–P distance between H₂PO₄ tetrahedra: 4.194(3) is slightly shorter than that observed in NH₃(CH₂)₄NH₃HPO₄·H₂O [7]. This is probably due to the presence of two acidic hydrogen atoms on the PO₄, which is favorable for the formation of strong hydrogen bonds. The detailed geometry of H₂PO₄[−] groups shows that the P–O bonds are significantly shorter (1.469(1), 1.506(1) Å) than the P–OH bonds (1.560(1), 1.573(1) Å). This is in agreement with the data relative to the protonated oxoanions [8]. Relatively short distances, from 1.73(2) to 2.00(3) Å, characterize all H...O bonds, which maintain the cohesion of this arrangement. It is worth noting that the O...O distances involved in the hydrogen bonds (2.560(2)–2.588(2) Å) are of the same order of magnitude as the O–O in the PO₄ tetrahedron (2.471(2)–2.540(2) Å), this should allow us to consider the [H₂PO₄]_{*n*}^{*n*−} subnetwork as a polyanion.

The 2,5-dimethylphenylammonium [2,5-(CH₃)₂C₆H₃NH₃]⁺ groups are anchored onto successive inorganic layers through hydrogen bonds involving the hydrogen atoms of the NH₃ groups with H(N)...O distances varying between 1.73(2) and 2.00(3) Å. N–C and C–C distances and C–C–N and C–C–C angles in this group are reported in Table 3.

The 2,5-(CH₃)₂C₆H₃NH₂ organic molecule, containing delocated and asymmetric Π -bonds, is highly polarizable entity in which transparency could be controlled. This property favours the formation of noncentrosymmetric materials as found with benzylamine C₆H₅CH₂NH₂ and paraphenolamine 1,4-HOC₆H₄NH₂ which reacts with H₃PO₄ to form (C₆H₅CH₂NH₂)H₂PO₄ [9] and (1,4-HOC₆H₄NH₂)H₂PO₄ [10] salts for Second Harmonic Generation.

3.2. Thermal analysis

The two curves corresponding to DTA and TGA analysis in argon are given in Fig. 4. The DTA curve shows a series of weak peaks in a wide temperature range (190–475 °C), the most important one appears at about 203 °C. The TGA curve shows a continuous weight loss in all this temperature area. So, the corresponding phenomena could be interpreted by H₂PO₄[−] condensation and a [2,5-(CH₃)₂C₆H₃NH₃]⁺

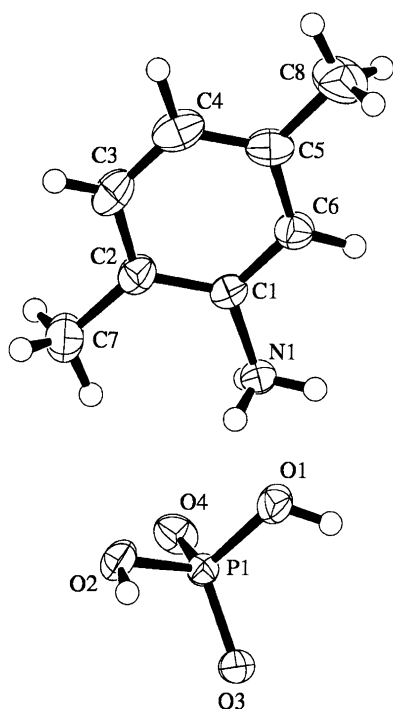


Fig. 1. Asymmetric unit of $[2,5-(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3\text{NH}_3]\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4$. Thermal ellipsoids are shown at 40% probability.

degradation leading to viscous matter of polyphosphoric acids with a carbon black residue.

3.3. Infrared spectroscopy

The monophosphate vibrations have been investigated obviously [11,12]. The theoretical group analysis applied to

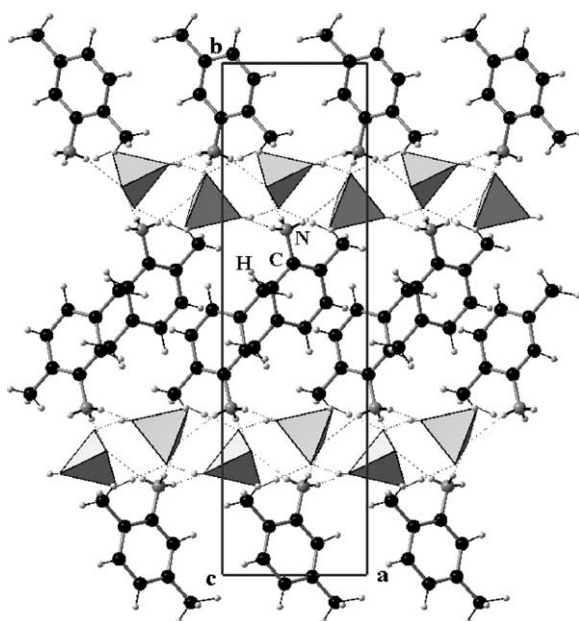


Fig. 2. Arrangement of $[2,5-(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3\text{NH}_3]\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4$ in projection along the c -axis. PO_4 is given in the tetrahedral representation. Hydrogen bonds are denoted by dotted lines.

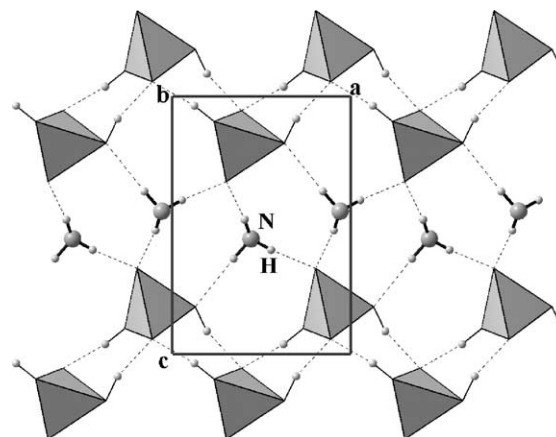


Fig. 3. Projection along the b -axis of the inorganic layer in $[2,5-(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3\text{NH}_3]\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4$ structure. Note: organic radical are omitted for the clarity of the figure.

an isolated PO_4 in its ideal T_d local symmetry to the nine normal modes fundamentals of vibrations. The normal modes are given by the representation:

$$\Gamma_{\text{int}} = A_1 + E_2 + 2F_2$$

Four are stretching modes, one is symmetric $\nu_s(A_1)$ and three are asymmetric $\nu_{\text{as}}(F_2)$:

$$\Gamma_{\text{str}} = A_1 + F_2$$

Five are bending modes, two are symmetric $\delta_s(E_2)$ and three are asymmetric $\delta_{\text{as}}(F_2)$:

$$\Gamma_{\text{ben}} = E_2 + F_2$$

Among these, only the F_2 is active in IR and E_2 , A_1 and F_2 are active in Raman. Nevertheless, crystals of the latter compound belong to the $P2_12_12_1$ space group and there are four units PO_4 per cell, at a site of C_1 symmetry. According to the literature and to the theoretical group analysis of the crystal of the title compound, there are 36 normal modes classified in this point group:

$$\Gamma_{\text{int}} = 9A + 9B_1 + 9B_2 + 9B_3$$

In Table 4 are attributed the remaining observed bands in the spectrum in Fig. 5 to the stretching and bending modes corresponding to the different organic and inorganic groups.

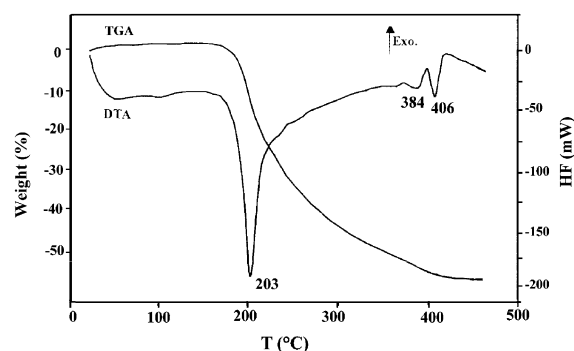


Fig. 4. DTA and TGA curves of $[2,5-(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3\text{NH}_3]\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4$ at rising temperature.

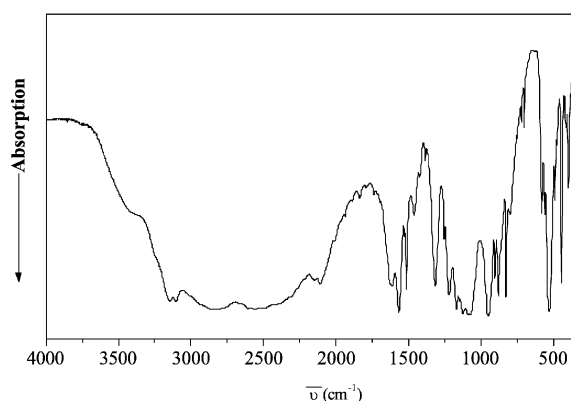
Table 4

IR frequencies and assignments in the stretching and bending domain of PO_4^{3-} in $[\text{2,5-(CH}_3\text{O)}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3\text{NH}_3]\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4$

Motions	Free ion PO_4^{3-} T_d	site group C_1	factor group D_2			Obs. IR frequencies (cm^{-1})
	Modes	Modes	Modes	Ra	IR	
ν_{as}	$F_2 \longrightarrow$	$3A \begin{cases} \longrightarrow 3A \\ \longrightarrow 3B_1 \\ \longrightarrow 3B_2 \\ \longrightarrow 3B_3 \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} 3A \\ 3B_1 \\ 3B_2 \\ 3B_3 \end{cases}$	$\begin{matrix} + & - \\ + & + \\ + & + \\ + & + \end{matrix}$		$\begin{cases} 1160 \text{ vw} \\ 1117 \text{ vw} \\ 1047 \text{ vw} \end{cases}$
ν_s + $(\delta(\text{C}_{\text{aryl}}\text{-H})_{\text{ip}} + \nu(\text{C-C}))$	$A \longrightarrow$	$A \begin{cases} \longrightarrow A \\ \longrightarrow B_1 \\ \longrightarrow B_2 \\ \longrightarrow B_3 \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} A \\ B_1 \\ B_2 \\ B_3 \end{cases}$	$\begin{matrix} + & - \\ + & + \\ + & + \\ + & + \end{matrix}$		$\begin{cases} 901 \text{ m} \\ 856 \text{ vw} \\ 848 \text{ w} \\ 827 \text{ w} \\ 803 \text{ s} \end{cases}$
δ_{as} + $\delta(\text{C}_{\text{aryl}}\text{-H})_{\text{op}}$	$F_2 \longrightarrow$	$3A \begin{cases} \longrightarrow 3A \\ \longrightarrow 3B_1 \\ \longrightarrow 3B_2 \\ \longrightarrow 3B_3 \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} 3A \\ 3B_1 \\ 3B_2 \\ 3B_3 \end{cases}$	$\begin{matrix} + & - \\ + & + \\ + & + \\ + & + \end{matrix}$		$\begin{cases} 577 \text{ w} \\ 558 \text{ vw} \\ 533 \text{ w} \\ 524 \text{ vs} \end{cases}$
δ_s + $\delta(\text{C}=\text{C})$	$E_2 \longrightarrow$	$2A \begin{cases} \longrightarrow 2A \\ \longrightarrow 2B_1 \\ \longrightarrow 2B_2 \\ \longrightarrow 2B_3 \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} 2A \\ 2B_1 \\ 2B_2 \\ 2B_3 \end{cases}$	$\begin{matrix} + & - \\ + & + \\ + & + \\ + & + \end{matrix}$		$\begin{cases} 485 \text{ w} \\ 447 \text{ s} \\ 413 \text{ vw} \\ 396 \text{ m} \end{cases}$

Note: vs, very strong; s, strong; m, middle; w, weak; vw, very weak.

Frequencies in the range $4000\text{--}1400\text{ cm}^{-1}$ are attributed to $\text{C(N)}\text{--H}$ stretching and bending modes [13]. Absorption bands in the range $1400\text{--}1200\text{ cm}^{-1}$, corresponding to stretching vibrations of C--N bonds and O--H groups [14]. The two stretching vibration bands characteristics of a PO_4 tetrahedron ν_s and ν_{as} are observed about $1200\text{--}1000$ and $1000\text{--}850\text{ cm}^{-1}$, those ranging from $650\text{--}500$ to $500\text{--}300\text{ cm}^{-1}$ attributed to bending modes δ_s and δ_{as} of PO_4 [11,12]. We note that the supplementary frequencies in the $\nu_s(\text{PO}_4)$ domain are attributed to the bending modes $\delta(\text{C}_{\text{aryl}}\text{--H})_{\text{ip}}$ [15].

Fig. 5. IR-spectra of $[\text{2,5-(CH}_3\text{)}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3\text{NH}_3]\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4$.

However, the experimental and theoretical results are not compatible, this can be explained by the interactions between the different PO_4^{3-} ions, because the unit cell of this compound contains four anions.

3.4. NMR spectroscopy

Proton decoupled ^{31}P MAS-NMR spectrum of crystalline monophosphate $[\text{2,5-(CH}_3\text{)}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3\text{NH}_3]\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4$ is given in Fig. 6. It exhibits only one peak with two corresponding satellite spinning side bands spaced at equal intervals (spinning rate of the sample expressed in ppm). The corresponding chemical shift value -0.02 ppm was

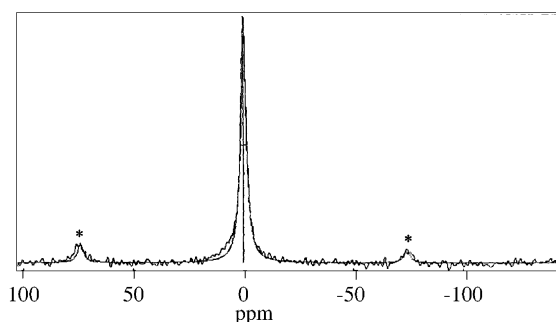


Fig. 6. Theoretical and experimental ^{31}P MAS-NMR spectrum of crystalline dihydrogenomonophosphate $[\text{2,5-(CH}_3\text{)}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3\text{NH}_3]\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4$. * Spinning side bands.

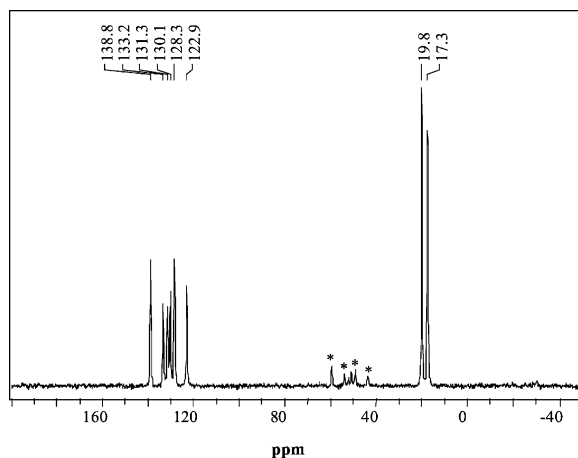
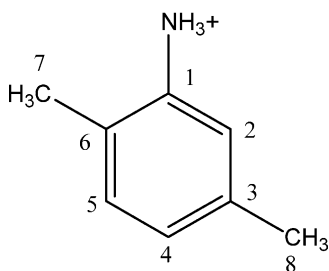


Fig. 7. ^{13}C CP-MAS-NMR spectrum of crystalline dihydrogenomonophosphate $[2,5-(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3\text{NH}_3]\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4$. * Spinning side bands.

recorded with respect to 85% H_3PO_4 (negative chemical shifts are towards higher fields in spectrum). This chemical shift value agrees with those of monophosphates (between -10 and $+5$ ppm), depending on the compound [16–18]. The existence of a single peak in the region analyzed indicates the presence of only one crystallographic site in the unit cell of this monophosphate, which agrees with the X-ray results.

On the other hand, distortions of the polyhedra are responsible for observed chemical shift anisotropies and for detection of spinning side band patterns covering important region of ^{31}P NMR spectra. Spectral region occupied by these bands are proportional to tetrahedral distortions. From this fact, NMR patterns could be used to monitor distortion. In order to analyze this point, the experimental envelope was deconvoluted, determining for the single NMR component σ_{iso} , $\Delta\sigma$ and η . The obtained results were $\sigma_{\text{iso}} = -0.02$ ppm, $\Delta\sigma = -44.95$ ppm and $\eta = 0.00$. This asymmetric parameter equal to zero suggests the existence of an axial distortion of PO_4 tetrahedra.

The ^{13}C CP-MAS NMR spectrum of the title compound is given in Fig. 7. The carbon atoms of the organic group are labeled as depicted below



To assign NMR components to different carbon atoms we used ab initio calculations. The chemical shifts of

Table 5

Calculated (δ_{iso}) and experimental (δ_{exp}) chemical shifts of the organic groups carbon atoms

Carbon atoms	C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6	C7	C8
δ_{iso} (ppm)	60.6	57.1	31.5	39.7	42.4	52.0	166.3	159.1
δ_{exp} (ppm)	122.9	128.3	138.3	133.2	131.3	130.1	17.4	19.8

the eight carbon atoms were calculated and the results are regrouped in Table 5.

δ_{iso} being the absolute chemical shift and the relative chemical shifts, such as those measured experimentally, correspond to the difference

$$\delta_{\text{exp}} = \delta_{\text{ref}} - \delta_{\text{iso}}$$

thus, we can propose the attribution gathered in Table 5.

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