

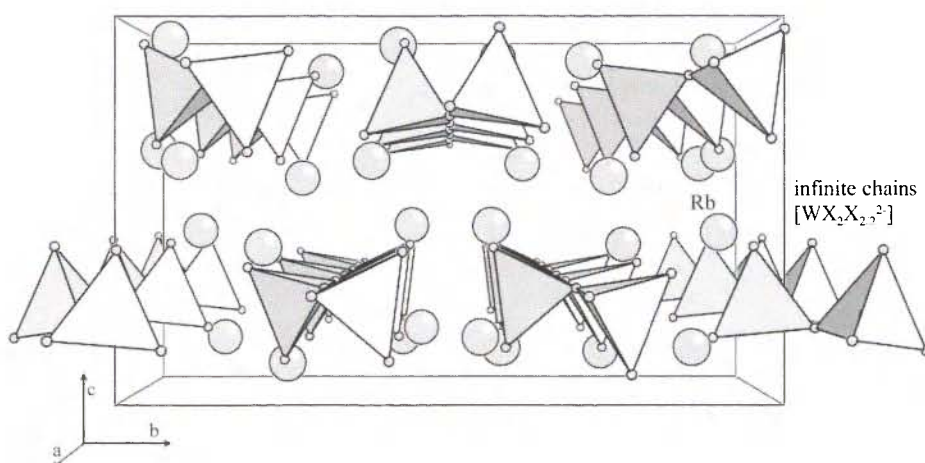
Crystal structure of dirubidium oxodinitridotungstate(VI), $\text{Rb}_2[\text{WN}_2\text{O}]$

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Abstract

$\text{N}_2\text{ORb}_2\text{W}$, orthorhombic, *Ama2* (No. 40), $a = 6.154(1) \text{ \AA}$, $b = 20.963(4) \text{ \AA}$, $c = 12.169(2) \text{ \AA}$, $V = 1569.9 \text{ \AA}^3$, $Z = 12$, $R_{\text{gt}}(F) = 0.041$, $wR(F^2) = 0.095$, $T = 293 \text{ K}$.

Source of material

Synthesis from excess rubidium amide (made from Rb, Johnson Matthey, 99.5 % and liquid ammonia, Messer Griesheim, 99.999 %) with a stoichiometric mixture of tungsten powder (Johnson Matthey, m5N, grade A1) and tungsten(VI) oxide (Ventron, 99.7 %) in an autoclave designed for salt melts [1] at a temperature of 873 K. By extraction with liquid ammonia long brown needles were isolated from a rubidium matrix, formed from thermal decomposition of the amide.

Discussion

The crystal structure of $\text{Rb}_2[\text{WN}_2\text{O}]$ consists of infinite chains of vertex-sharing tetrahedra $[\text{WX}_2\text{X}_{2/2}^{2-}]$ ($\text{X} = \text{N}_{2/3}, \text{O}_{1/3}$). These are arranged relativ to each other according to the motif of a close rod packing. Bond distances and angles fit well in the ranges of related compounds [2]: $d(\text{W}-\text{X}_{\text{bridge}}) = 1.90 \text{ \AA}$, $d(\text{W}-\text{X}_{\text{term}}) = 1.81 \text{ \AA}$. It was not possible to distinguish between oxygen and nitrogen atoms on the non-metal sites. Both species might be disordered. Refinement of the site Rb(5) results in a large value of U_{11} , better described with a split position that can not be resolved by symmetry reduction. Since the refinement of the site occupancies of both split positions resulted in half occupancy they were fixed to 0.5 in the final refinement cycles. Knowing the ratio of N/O from the crystal structure refinement and charge balance the compound was prepared as single phase sample as described in the experimental part.

Table 1. Data collection and handling.

Crystal:	brown needle, size $0.025 \times 0.025 \times 0.3 \text{ mm}$
Wavelength:	$\text{Ag K}\alpha$ radiation ($0.56086 \text{ \AA}$)
μ :	217.73 cm^{-1}
Diffractionmeter, scan mode:	Stoe IPDS, oscillation, 500 exposures, $\Delta\phi = 0.4^\circ$, 8 min
$2\theta_{\text{max}}$:	47.4°
$N(hkl)_{\text{measured}}, N(hkl)_{\text{unique}}$:	9743, 2563
Criterion for $I_{\text{obs}}, N(hkl)_{\text{gt}}$:	$I_{\text{obs}} > 2 \sigma(I_{\text{obs}})$, 2049
$N(\text{param})_{\text{refined}}$:	82
Programs:	SHELXS-86 [3], SHELXL-97 [4], DIAMOND [5]

Table 2. Atomic coordinates and displacement parameters (in $\text{\AA}^2$).

Atom	Site	x	y	z	U_{iso}
X(1)	4b	1/4	0.435(1)	-0.087(2)	0.012(4)
X(2)	4b	1/4	0.711(1)	-0.139(2)	0.018(4)
X(3)	4a	0	1/2	-0.275(2)	0.022(5)
X(4)	4b	1/4	0.764(1)	-0.366(2)	0.020(5)
X(5)	4b	1/4	0.377(1)	-0.312(2)	0.016(4)
X(6)	8c	-0.001(4)	0.8279(9)	-0.181(2)	0.035(5)
X(7)	4b	1/4	0.563(1)	0.410(2)	0.029(5)
X(8)	4b	1/4	0.580(2)	0.164(3)	0.053(9)

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Table 3. Atomic coordinates and displacement parameters (in Å²).

Atom	Site	Occ.	x	y	z	U ₁₁	U ₂₂	U ₃₃	U ₁₂	U ₁₃	U ₂₃
W(1)	4b		1/4	0.45144(5)	−0.23562(7)	0.0078(7)	0.0110(4)	0.0143(6)	0	0	−0.0034(4)
W(2)	4b		1/4	0.78153(5)	−0.2202(1)	0.0067(6)	0.0114(4)	0.0220(5)	0	0	−0.0011(4)
W(3)	4b		1/4	0.61879(5)	0.29903(7)	0.0048(7)	0.0138(4)	0.0137(5)	0	0	0.0027(4)
Rb(1)	4b		1/4	0.5810(2)	−0.0583(3)	0.021(2)	0.023(1)	0.030(2)	0	0	−0.009(1)
Rb(2)	4b		1/4	0.7526(2)	0.0928(3)	0.025(2)	0.029(1)	0.020(1)	0	0	−0.009(1)
Rb(3)	4b		1/4	0.2909(2)	−0.0988(2)	0.015(2)	0.028(1)	0.019(1)	0	0	−0.003(1)
Rb(4)	4b		1/4	0.4353(2)	−0.5418(4)	0.024(2)	0.063(2)	0.038(2)	0	0	−0.024(2)
Rb(5A)	4b	0.50	1/4	0.9520(4)	−0.3384(5)	0.018(2)	0.035(3)	0.023(2)	0	0	0.015(2)
Rb(5B)	4b	0.50	1/4	0.9202(4)	−0.3659(6)	0.018(2)	0.035(3)	0.023(2)	0	0	0.015(2)
Rb(6)	4b		1/4	0.6224(2)	−0.3660(3)	0.016(2)	0.023(1)	0.035(2)	0	0	0.007(1)

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