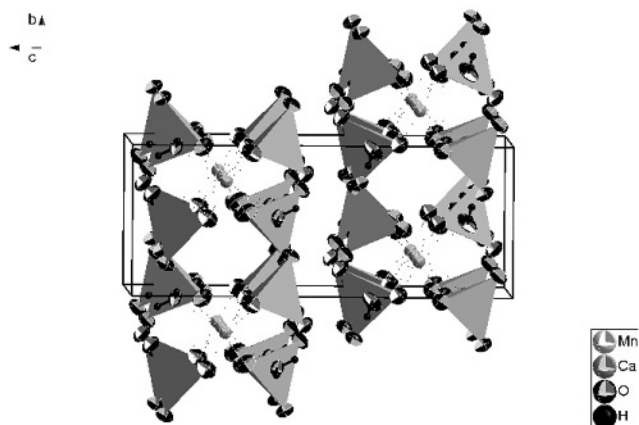


Crystal structure of calciumpermanganate tetrahydrate, $\text{Ca}(\text{MnO}_4)_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$, $\text{CaH}_8\text{Mn}_2\text{O}_{12}$

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Abstract

$\text{CaH}_8\text{Mn}_2\text{O}_{12}$, orthorhombic, *Pccn* (no. 56), $a = 13.9791(19)$ Å, $b = 5.5404(8)$ Å, $c = 13.3908(18)$ Å, $V = 1037.1(2)$ Å³, $Z = 4$, $R_{\text{gt}}(F) = 0.0318$, $wR_{\text{ref}}(F^2) = 0.0659$, $T = 293$ K.

Table 1. Data collection and handling.

Crystal:	violet needles, size 0.1×0.1×0.5 mm
Wavelength:	Mo K_{α} radiation (0.71073 Å)
μ :	29.79 cm ⁻¹
Diffractometer, scan mode:	Bruker SMART CCD 1K, ω
$2\theta_{\text{max}}$:	66.66°
$N(hkl)_{\text{measured}}$, $N(hkl)_{\text{unique}}$:	13335, 1917
Criterion for I_{obs} , $N(hkl)_{\text{gt}}$:	$I_{\text{obs}} > 2 \sigma(I_{\text{obs}})$, 1462
$N(\text{param})_{\text{refined}}$:	85
Programs:	OLEX2 [1], SHELX [2]

Source of material

The title compound was synthesized by adding 0.9072 g, 4 mmol of $\text{Ag}(\text{MnO}_4)$ [4] to a solution of 0.3409 g, 2 mmol of $\text{CaCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ in 25 ml deionised water. The AgCl was separated by centrifugation. The solution was concentrated in vacuum to a volume of 10 ml and transferred into a 20 ml scintillation vial with a 1 mm hole in the cap. Crystals large enough for a single crystal diffraction experiment were formed after 25 days. A suitable crystal was selected and sealed in a Mark-tube together with mother liquor to prevent loss of crystal water. The data collection was performed at room temperature on a Bruker SMART Platform diffractometer equipped with a CCD-Detector. Attempts to perform measurements at low temperatures were not successful since the crystals were destroyed while cooling. Using Olex2 [1], the structure was solved with the XS [2] structure solution program using Direct Methods and refined with the XL [2] refinement package using a Full-Matrix-Least-Squares refinement.

Discussion

The chemistry of permanganates is well known [5] and many of them have structurally been characterized. However, for some of them only the unit cell parameters are known. The crystal structure of calcium permanganate tetrahydrate consists of $^1_{\infty}[\text{Ca}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4(\text{MnO}_4)_{4/2}]$ -chains extending along the *c*-axis. The coordination polyhedron of the Mn^{7+} ion in the permanganate anion is a slightly distorted tetrahedron. The calcium cations are eight-fold coordinated by four oxygen atoms of the water molecules and four oxygen atoms belonging to four different permanganate anions. The resulting coordination polyhedron is best described by a distorted square antiprism. The $\text{Ca}-\text{O}_{(\text{water})}$ distances are with 2.393(2) Å and 2.36(2) Å clearly shorter than the $\text{Ca}-\text{O}_{(\text{permanganate})}$ with 2.520(2) Å and 2.504(2) Å. When allowing for a maximum O–O distance in $\text{OH}\cdots\text{O}$ of 3 Å, the structure can be described as slabs of $^1_{\infty}[\text{Ca}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4(\text{MnO}_4)_{4/2}]$ -chains linked via hydrogen bonds. The slabs are stacked along the crystallographic *a*-axis. In the lithium permanganate $^1_{\infty}[\text{Li}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_{6/2}]\text{MnO}_4$, described by Hoppe and Fischer [6] cations are not directly coordinated by the permanganate ions, as we observe it in this calcium permanganate, but exclusively surrounded by water molecules. $^1_{\infty}[\text{Li}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_{6/2}]$ -chains are linked via hydrogen bonds (maximum $\text{OH}\cdots\text{O}$ -distance of slightly less than 3 Å) to the permanganate anions.

Table 2. Atomic coordinates and displacement parameters (in Å²).

Atom	Site	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	U_{iso}
H(5A)	8e	0.382(2)	−0.023(4)	0.459(2)	0.031(7)
H(5B)	8e	0.431(2)	0.078(5)	0.397(2)	0.041(8)
H(6A)	8e	0.379(2)	0.544(6)	0.246(2)	0.05(1)
H(6B)	8e	0.386(3)	0.615(7)	0.327(3)	0.11(2)

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

Atom	Site	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>U</i> ₁₁	<i>U</i> ₂₂	<i>U</i> ₃₃	<i>U</i> ₁₂	<i>U</i> ₁₃	<i>U</i> ₂₃
Mn	8 <i>e</i>	0.13153(2)	0.51163(5)	0.09716(2)	0.0238(1)	0.0221(1)	0.0182(1)	0.0011(1)	0.0001(1)	−0.0004(1)
Ca	4 <i>c</i>	¼	¼	0.34954(4)	0.0225(2)	0.0232(2)	0.0174(2)	0.0019(2)	0	0
O(1)	8 <i>e</i>	0.0860(1)	0.7809(3)	0.1013(1)	0.0456(8)	0.0299(7)	0.0343(7)	0.0118(6)	−0.0043(7)	−0.0021(7)
O(2)	8 <i>e</i>	0.0484(1)	0.3168(3)	0.0897(1)	0.0417(9)	0.0426(9)	0.063(1)	−0.0159(7)	0.0110(8)	−0.0122(9)
O(3)	8 <i>e</i>	0.1999(1)	0.4892(3)	0.0008(1)	0.0446(9)	0.0422(8)	0.0278(7)	−0.0038(7)	0.0119(6)	−0.0083(7)
O(4)	8 <i>e</i>	0.1924(1)	0.4674(3)	0.1970(1)	0.055(1)	0.051(1)	0.0271(7)	0.0136(8)	−0.0112(7)	0.0057(7)
O(5)	8 <i>e</i>	0.3845(1)	0.0191(3)	0.4054(1)	0.0275(7)	0.0405(9)	0.0291(7)	0.0062(6)	0.0002(6)	0.0072(8)
O(6)	8 <i>e</i>	0.3741(2)	0.5115(4)	0.2971(1)	0.055(1)	0.053(1)	0.0289(8)	−0.0267(9)	−0.0069(8)	0.0109(9)

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