

X-ray diffraction and computational studies of the pressure-dependent diphenylanthracene-tetrachloroethane solvation

ELECTRONIC SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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Experimental

Raman spectra

A single crystal of DPA grown from 1,1,2,2-tetrachloroethane was loaded in the DAC using a 4:1 MeOH/EtOH solution as pressure transmitting medium. Raman spectra were collected at 0.03 GPa intervals up to 3.0 GPa using a Horiba Jobin Yvon HR800 UV Micro-Raman spectrometer equipped with an air-cooled 325 mW 785 nm diode laser. This particular laser was chosen in order to minimise the otherwise considerable fluorescence signal from the sample. Raman spectra were collected in the 150-1800 cm^{-1} range with a spectral resolution of ca. 2.2 cm^{-1} using a grating of 600 grooves/mm and a Peltier-cooled CCD detector (Andor, 1024×256 pixels). No phase transition was observed up to 3.0 GPa.

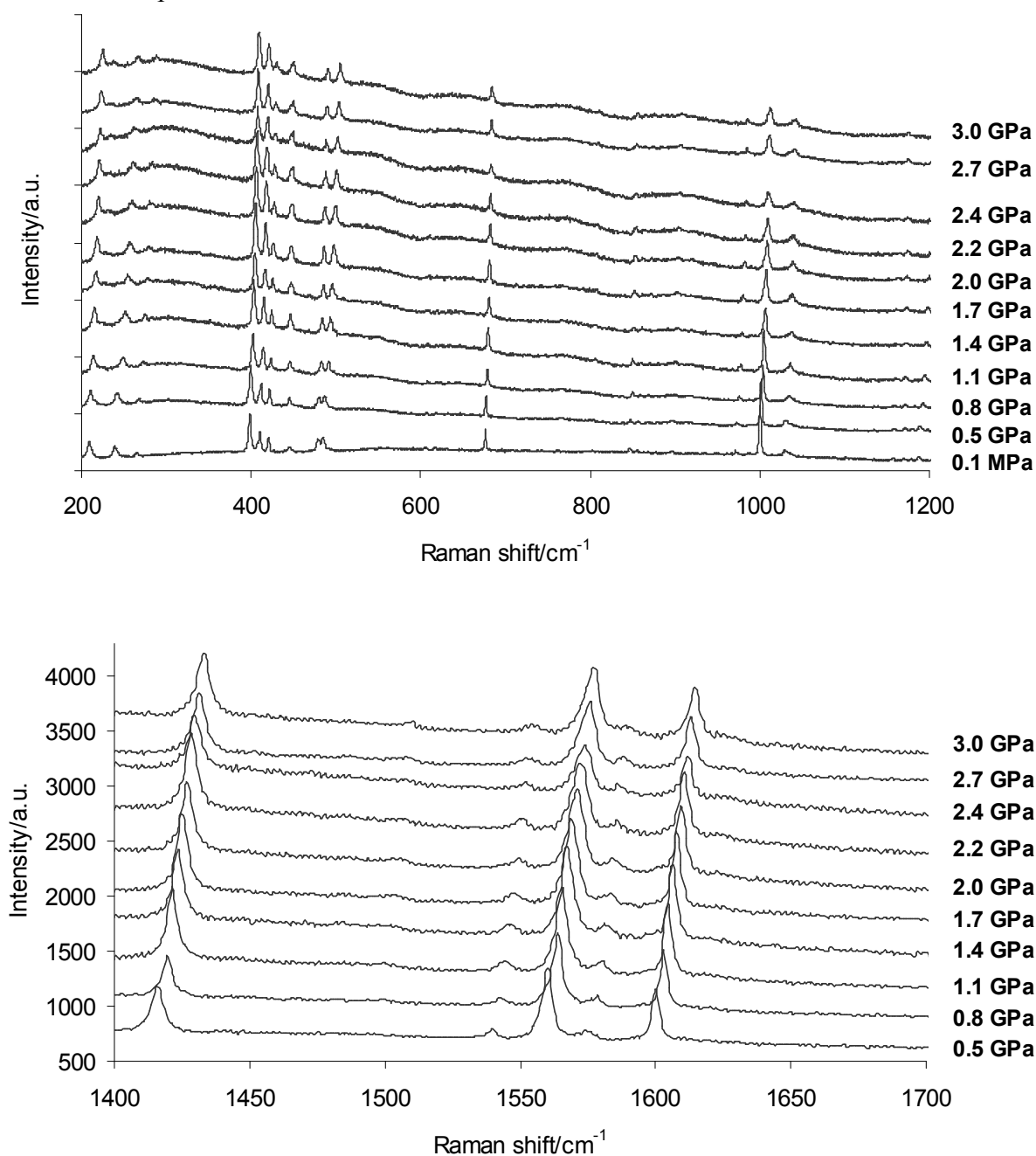


Fig. S1. Selected wavenumber regions of Raman spectra of DPA at ambient temperature contained in a DAC and compressed to 3.0 GPa using a 4:1 MeOH/EtOH solution as pressure transmitting medium. The region around the first-order peak of diamond at ca. 1330 cm^{-1} is not shown.

GRADE-restraints

Please refer to grade-XXX_dpa.dfix and grade-XXX_solvent.dfix files

CheckCIF reports

Please note that responses to CheckCIF alerts are embedded in the respective CIF files under _refine_special_details.

checkCIF/PLATON report (basic structural check)

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[CIF dictionary](#)

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Datablock: diphenylanthracene_TTCE_solvate_0p5_GPa

Bond precision:	C-C = 0.0136 Å	Wavelength=0.71073
Cell:	a=8.7874 (3) b=12.0308 (7) c=13.8215 (8)	
	alpha=90 beta=104.964 (3) gamma=90	
Temperature:	296 K	
	Calculated	Reported
Volume	1411.65 (13)	1411.65 (13)
Space group	P 21/c	P 21/c
Hall group	-P 2ybc	-P 2ybc
Moiety formula	C26 H18, 2 (C2 H2 Cl4)	C26 H18, 2 (C2 H2 Cl4)
Sum formula	C30 H22 Cl8	C30 H22 Cl8
Mr	666.08	666.07
Dx, g cm ⁻³	1.567	1.567
Z	2	2
Mu (mm ⁻¹)	0.819	0.819
F000	676.0	676.0
F000'	678.54	
h, k, lmax	7, 10, 11	7, 9, 11
Nref	862	650
Tmin, Tmax	0.921, 0.937	0.745, 0.862
Tmin'	0.921	
Correction method=	# Reported T Limits: Tmin=0.745	
Tmax=0.862 AbsCorr =	MULTI-SCAN	
Data completeness=	0.754	Theta(max)= 17.284
R(reflections)=	0.0515 (504)	wR2(reflections)= 0.1314 (650)
S =	1.062	Npar= 172

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Alert level A

[REFNR01 ALERT 3 A](#) Ratio of reflections to parameters is < 6 for a centrosymmetric structure

sine(theta)/lambda 0.4180

Proportion of unique data used 1.0000

Ratio reflections to parameters 3.7791

[THETM01 ALERT 3 A](#) The value of sine(theta_max)/wavelength is less than 0.550

Calculated sin(theta_max)/wavelength = 0.4180

[PLAT029 ALERT 3 A](#) _diffn_measured_fraction_theta_full Low 0.754 Note

[PLAT088 ALERT 3 A](#) Poor Data / Parameter Ratio 5.01 Note

PLAT340 ALERT 3 B Low Bond Precision on C-C Bonds 0.01362 Ang.

Alert level C

<u>PLAT244 ALERT 4 C</u>	Low	'Solvent' Ueq as Compared to Neighbors of	C1CL
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Alert level G

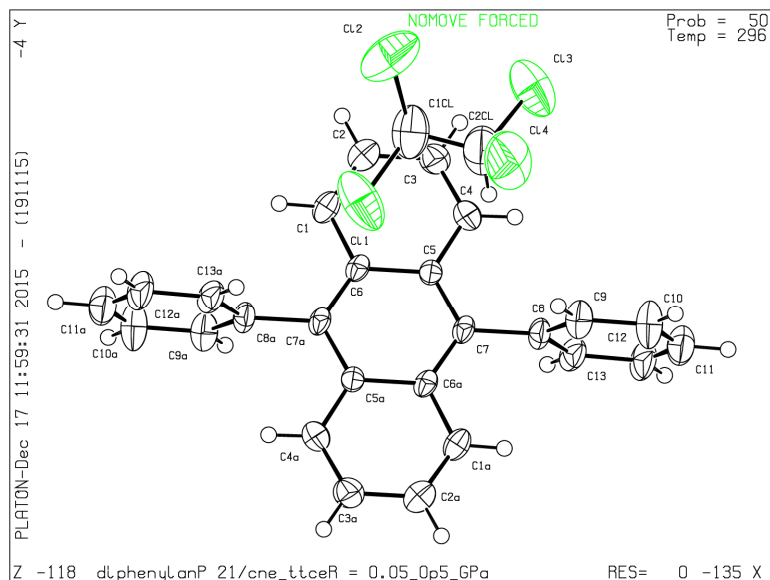
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PLAT003	ALERT	2	G	Number of Uiso or Uij Restrained non-H Atoms ...	19	Report
PLAT083	ALERT	2	G	SHELXL Second Parameter in WGHT Unusually Large	6.55	Why ?
PLAT720	ALERT	4	G	Number of Unusual/Non-Standard Labels	4	Note
PLAT860	ALERT	3	G	Number of Least-Squares Restraints	172	Note

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PLATON version of 19/11/2015; check.def file version of 17/11/2015

Datablock diphenylanthracene_TTCE_solvate_0p5_GPa - ellipsoid plot



Datablock: diphenylanthracene_0p5_GPa

Bond precision: C-C = 0.0031 Å Wavelength=0.71073
Cell: a=10.4702(9) b=13.3923(10) c=12.0158(11)
alpha=90 beta=89.931(8) gamma=90
Temperature: 296 K

	Calculated	Reported
Volume	1684.9(2)	1684.9(2)
Space group	C 2/c	C 2/c
Hall group	-C 2yc	-C 2yc
Moiety formula	C26 H18	C26 H18
Sum formula	C26 H18	C26 H18
Mr	330.40	330.40
Dx, g cm ⁻³	1.303	1.303
Z	4	4
Mu (mm ⁻¹)	0.074	0.074
F000	696.0	696.0
F000'	696.26	
h, k, lmax	12, 16, 14	11, 15, 12
Nref	1553	937
Tmin, Tmax	0.987, 0.994	0.794, 0.884
Tmin'	0.985	

Correction method= # Reported T Limits: Tmin=0.794
Tmax=0.884 AbsCorr = MULTI-SCAN
Data completeness= 0.603 Theta(max)= 25.337
R(reflections)= 0.0365(765) wR2(reflections)= 0.0954(937)
S = 1.101 Npar= 119

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[PLAT029 ALERT 3 A](#) _diffrn_measured_fraction_theta_full Low 0.607 Note

🟡Alert level C

[PLAT157 ALERT 4 C](#) Non-standard Monoclinic Beta Angle less 90 Deg 89.93 Degree

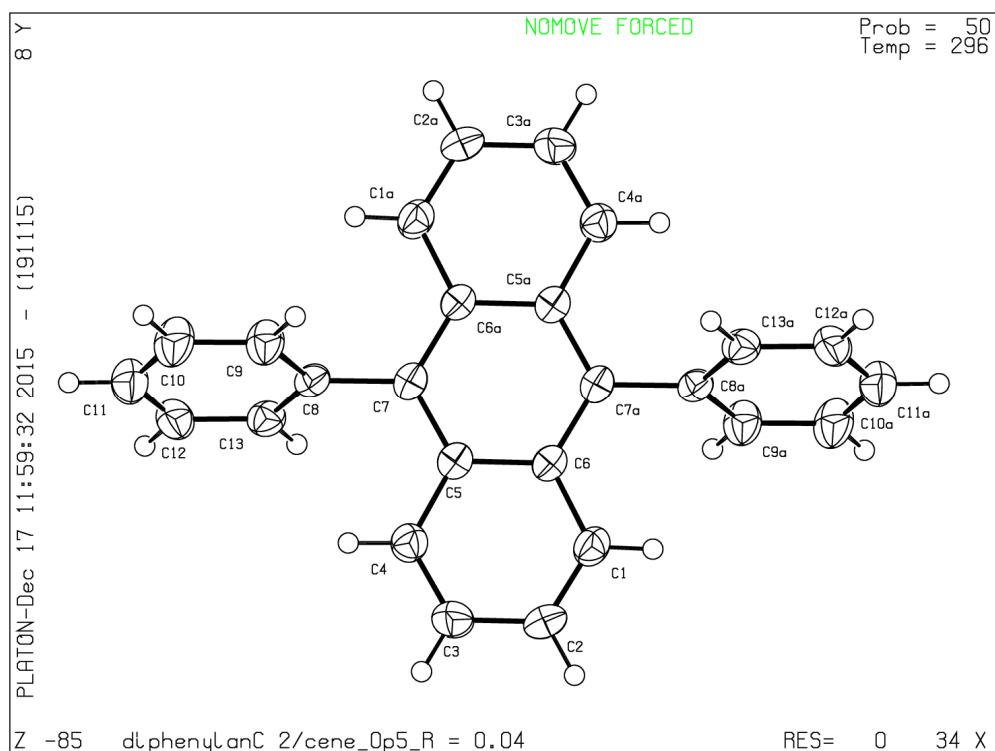
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PLAT002 ALERT 2 G	Number of Distance or Angle Restraints on AtSite	13 Note
PLAT003 ALERT 2 G	Number of Uiso or Uij Restrained non-H Atoms ...	13 Report
PLAT158 ALERT 4 G	The Input Unitcell is NOT Standard/Reduced	Please Check
PLAT860 ALERT 3 G	Number of Least-Squares Restraints	128 Note
PLAT952 ALERT 5 G	Calculated (ThMax) and CIF-Reported Lmax Differ	2

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Datablock diphenylanthracene_0p5_GPa - ellipsoid plot



Datablock: diphenylanthracene_3_GPa

Bond precision: C-C = 0.0089 Å Wavelength=0.71073

Cell: a=10.041(2) b=13.150(2) c=11.378(2)
alpha=90 beta=88.483(17) gamma=90

Temperature: 296 K

	Calculated	Reported
Volume	1501.8(5)	1501.8(5)
Space group	C 2/c	C 2/c
Hall group	-C 2yc	-C 2yc
Moiety formula	C ₂₆ H ₁₈	C ₂₆ H ₁₈
Sum formula	C ₂₆ H ₁₈	C ₂₆ H ₁₈
Mr	330.40	330.40
Dx, g cm ⁻³	1.461	1.461
Z	4	4
Mu (mm ⁻¹)	0.083	0.083
F ₀₀₀	696.0	696.0
F ₀₀₀ '	696.26	
h, k, lmax	9, 12, 10	8, 12, 10
Nref	687	422
Tmin, Tmax	0.985, 0.993	0.525, 0.884
Tmin'	0.984	

Correction method= # Reported T Limits: Tmin=0.525
Tmax=0.884 AbsCorr = MULTI-SCAN

Data completeness= 0.614 Theta(max)= 19.779

R(reflections)= 0.0528(308) wR2(reflections)= 0.1475(422)

S = 1.058 Npar= 119

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	sine(theta)/lambda	0.4761
	Proportion of unique data used	1.0000
	Ratio reflections to parameters	3.5462
THETM01 ALERT 3 A	The value of sine(theta_max)/wavelength is less than 0.550	
	Calculated sin(theta_max)/wavelength =	0.4761
PLAT029 ALERT 3 A	_diffraction_measured_fraction_theta_full	Low 0.614 Note
PLAT088 ALERT 3 A	Poor Data / Parameter Ratio 5.77 Note

Alert level C

PLAT031 ALERT 4 C	Refined Extinction Parameter within Range 2.750 Sigma
PLAT157 ALERT 4 C	Non-standard Monoclinic Beta Angle less 90 Deg	88.48 Degree
PLAT340 ALERT 3 C	Low Bond Precision on C-C Bonds 0.00887

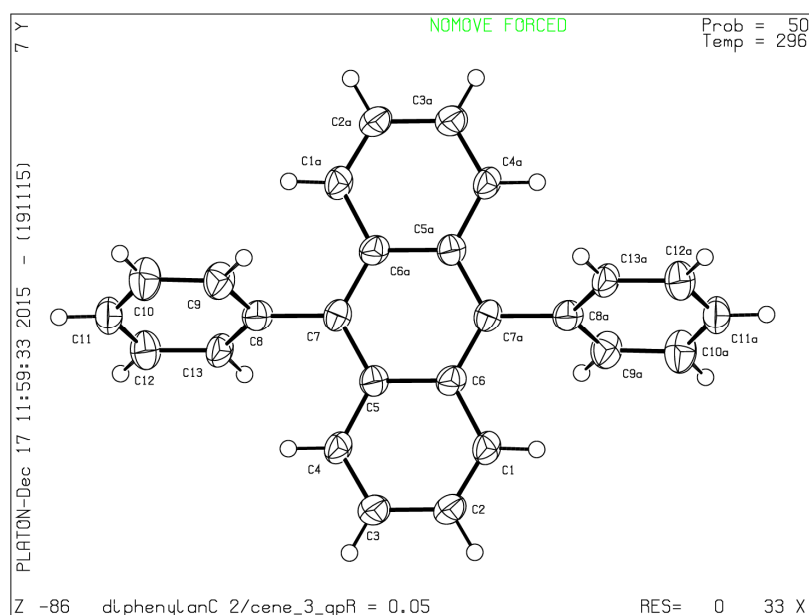
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PLAT002 ALERT 2 G	Number of Distance or Angle Restraints on AtSite	13 Note
PLAT003 ALERT 2 G	Number of Uiso or Uij Restrained non-H Atoms	... 13 Report
PLAT072 ALERT 2 G	SHELXL First Parameter in WGHT Unusually Large	0.11 Report
PLAT158 ALERT 4 G	The Input Unitcell is NOT Standard/Reduced Please Check
PLAT432 ALERT 2 G	Short Inter X...Y Contact C12 .. C12 ..	3.16 Ang.
PLAT860 ALERT 3 G	Number of Least-Squares Restraints 128 Note

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Datablock diphenylanthracene_3_GPa - ellipsoid plot



Structural and energetic features

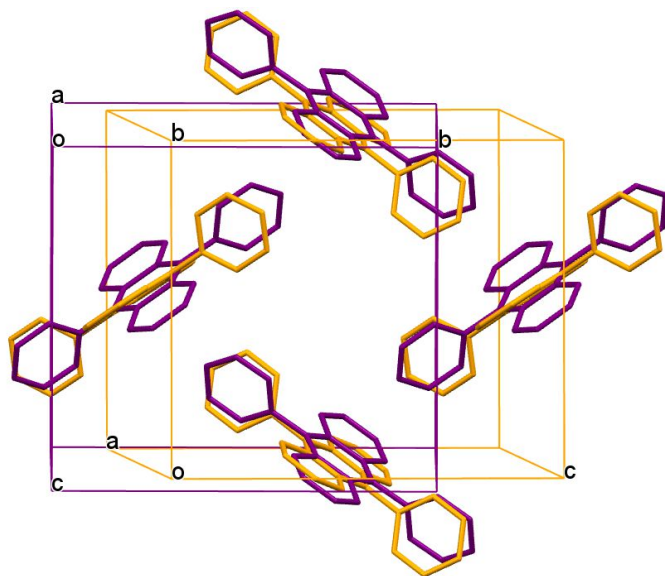


Fig. S2. Overlay of (100) molecular layers in DPA (purple) and DPA-S (orange). H-atoms and solvent molecules have been omitted for clarity. The arrangement of the molecules in the (100) plane of DPA-S is similarly present in the first (100) layer of the structure of DPA. DPA and DPA-S have in fact almost identical *b* and *c* axes, but a different orientation of the cell (the axes are swapped in the two structures, see Table 1 in the main manuscript). The widening of the β angle in DPA-S (formerly $\gamma = 90^\circ$ in DPA) together with the length reduction of the *a*-axis prevent the formation of the second layer of DPA molecules, which is replaced by solvent molecules.

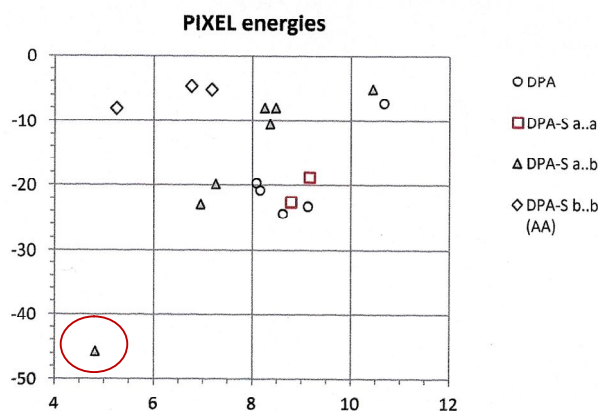


Fig. S3 Molecule-molecule pair energies in kJ mol^{-1} as a function of distance between centres of mass in \AA . Circles: DPA-DPA in the unsolvated crystal; red squares, *id.* in the solvate; triangles DPA-solvent interactions; diamonds, solvent-solvent interactions. The red circle highlights the dominating solute-solvent interaction.

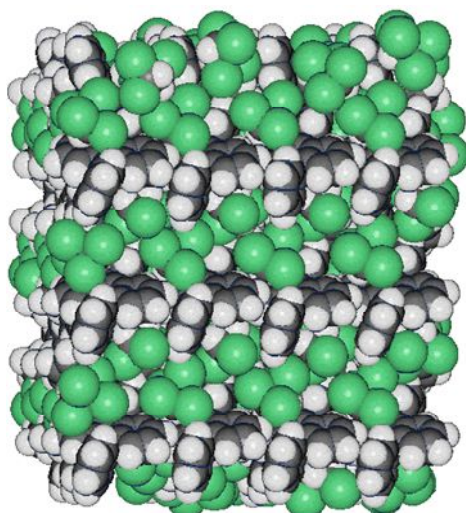


Fig. S4 The final frame of a Monte Carlo simulation without periodic boundary conditions, *i.e.* with surfaces exposed, at room pressure. No solvent molecule is seen detaching from the crystal slab.