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Polymorphism of lead (II) benzenethiolate: a noncentrosymmetric new allotropic form of Pb(SPh)₂.

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SYNTHETIC PROCEDURES

Synthesis of β -Pb(SPh)₂ powder through metathesis reaction⁵

A solution of benzenethiol (11.0 g, 0.1 mol) in ethanol (100 mL) was added dropwise, under stirring, to a hot (70°C) solution of hydrated lead (II) acetate Pb(CH₃CO₂)₂ · 3 H₂O (19.0 g, 0.05 mol) in 30 mL of an 80/20 (v/v) ethanol/water mixture, leading to the precipitation of a yellow solid. The mixture was further heated under reflux for 1 hour, then the solid (21.0 g, yield 98%) was filtered, washed with aqueous ethanol (EtOH/H₂O: 80/20) and then with pure ethanol, and finally dried under vacuum. mp 201°C. The powder X-ray diagram of the material thus obtained could be indexed using the cell parameters characteristic of β -Pb(SPh)₂ (see below crystallographic data).

Recrystallization⁴ of β -Pb(SPh)₂: its conversion to α -Pb(SPh)₂

In a 250 mL Erlenmeyer flask were successively introduced 50 mL of methanol (degassed by nitrogen bubbling), 0.55 g (5 mmol) of benzenethiol, 1.25 g (2.95 mmol) of β -Pb(SPh)₂ powder and 5 mL of a 0.5 mol.L⁻¹ methanolic solution of sodium methoxide (Aldrich). The mixture was briefly stirred by hand and then left without stirring, in the dark and under nitrogen atmosphere, for 3 days. Afterwards, the mixture was filtered and washed with methanol, affording 0.82 g (recrystallization yield: 66%) of crystals which were proved to be α -Pb(SPh)₂ by single crystal and powder X-ray analysis (see below crystallographic data).

Crystals of α -Pb(SPh)₂ are also obtained when applying the same procedure but replacing sodium methoxide by 2.5 mmol of benzylamine or (S)-1-phenyl ethylamine (recrystallization yields: 58% and 62% respectively). Additionally, in those cases, we were able to recover, for the most part, the fraction of lead (II) benzenethiolate remaining in solution, probably in the form of the complex [Pb(SPh)₃]⁻: after the filtration of the crystals of α -Pb(SPh)₂, the mother-liquor was evaporated, which led to decomposition of the complex; the resulting material was washed with diethyl ether, in which benzenethiol and benzylammonium or (S)-1-phenyl ethylammonium benzenethiolate are soluble, affording a further crop of lead (II) benzenethiolate collected by filtration; however, this second fraction was shown, by powder X-ray diffraction, to be β -Pb(SPh)₂, thus, in the end, unchanged with regard to the starting material. (The formation of the β -phase in these latter conditions can be related to the fact that its precipitation is fast).

Thermal conversion of crystals of α -Pb(SPh)₂ into β -Pb(SPh)₂

A sealed tube containing, under a nitrogen atmosphere, crystals (200 mg) of α -Pb(SPh)₂, obtained as described above, was placed for one night in an oven heated at 175°C and then taken out of the oven and allowed to cool down to room temperature. The material contained in the tube was then shown, by single crystal and powder X-ray analysis, to be β -Pb(SPh)₂ (see below crystallographic data).

An alternative obtainment of β -Pb(SPh)₂

Actually, β -phase crystals were, at first, obtained, through another way, discovered by serendipity: we were attempting to prepare the compound [(S)-C₆H₅-C(-CH₃)-NH₃]⁺, [Pb(SPh)₃]⁻, using the procedure described by Dean *et al.*^{6b} for the synthesis of [(C₆H₅)₄P]⁺, [Pb(SPh)₃]⁻ but replacing the reactant tetraphenylphosphonium chloride by (S)-1-phenyl ethylammonium chloride. This attempt failed to afford the desired compound but gave instead β -Pb(SPh)₂ in the form of analysable monocrystals, in low yield:

Benzenethiol (3.20 g, 29 mmol) and sodium hydroxide beads (1.04 g, 26 mmol) were successively dissolved in methanol (20 mL), then was added, under stirring, a solution of lead (II) nitrate (2.84 g, 8.6 mmol) in water (10 mL), resulting in the precipitation of a yellow solid. To this mixture was added, at first, a solution of (S)-C₆H₅-C(-CH₃)-NH₃⁺, Cl⁻ (1.38 g, 8.8 mmol) (previously prepared from the action of HCl on (S)-C₆H₅-C(-CH₃)-NH₂ in diethyl ether, mp 170°C) in methanol (60mL) and then 120 mL of aqueous acetonitrile (CH₃CN/H₂O: 5/1, v/v). The mixture was refluxed, under stirring, for 20 min, then filtered while hot and the insoluble part was discarded. The filtrate was allowed to cool down leading to the precipitation of new crystals which, after one night, were collected by filtration (0.42 g, yield 12%) and shown, by single crystal and powder X-ray analysis, to be β -Pb(SPh)₂.

However, the result of this experiment probably depends of factors difficult to control such as the exact speed of cooling of the reaction mixture and is not reproducible: another attempt afforded α -Pb(SPh)₂ in 37% yield.

CRISTALLOGRAPHIC DATA

1 - Crystallographic data for α -Pb(S-C₆H₅)₂

a- checkcif report for α -Pb(S-C₆H₅)₂

Bond precision: C-C = 0.0090 Å Wavelength=0.71073

Cell: a=27.0798(13) b=5.7437(3) c=7.452(3)

alpha=90 beta=90 gamma=90

Temperature: 293 K

	Calculated	Reported
Volume	1159.1(5)	1159.0(4)
Space group	Pm \bar{c} n	P m \bar{c} n
Hall group	-P 2n 2a	?
Moiety formula	C12 H10 Pb S2	?
Sum formula	C12 H10 Pb S2	C12 H10 Pb S2
Mr	425.54	425.51
Dx, g cm ⁻³	2.439	2.439
Z	4	4
Mu (mm ⁻¹)	14.876	14.880
F000	784.0	784.0
F000'	772.45	
h, k, lmax	36, 7, 10	36, 7, 10
Nref	1565	1558
Tmin, Tmax	0.135, 0.304	0.113, 0.300
Tmin'	0.044	

Correction method= AbsCorr=MULTI-SCAN

Data completeness=

Ratio = 0.996

Theta(max) = 29.000

R(reflections) = 0.0357(987)

wR2(reflections) = 0.0627(1558)

S = 1.033

Npar= 79

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[PLAT762 ALERT 1 A](#) CIF Contains no X-Y-H or H-Y-H Angles .. ?

🟡Alert level B

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[PLAT232 ALERT 2 B](#) Hirshfeld Test Diff (M-X) Pb - S1A 13.70 su

🟢Alert level C

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PLAT366 ALERT 2 C	Short? C(sp?)-C(sp?) Bond C2 - C3	1.37 Ang.
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b- Table 1. Crystal data and structure refinement for α -Pb(S-C₆H₅)₂

Empirical formula	C12 H10 Pb S2
Formula weight	425.51
Temperature	293(2) K
Wavelength	0.71073 Å
Crystal system, space group	orthorhombic, P m c n
Unit cell dimensions	a = 27.0798(13) Å alpha = 90 deg. b = 5.7437(3) Å beta = 90 deg. c = 7.452(3) Å gamma = 90 deg.
Volume	1159.0(4) Å ³
Z, Calculated density	4, 2.439 Mg/m ³
Absorption coefficient	14.878 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	784
Crystal size	0.20 x 0.12 x 0.08 mm
Theta range for data collection	4.21 to 29.00 deg.
Limiting indices	-36<=h<=30, -7<=k<=7, -10<=l<=10
Reflections collected / unique	11520 / 1558 [R(int) = 0.0632]
Completeness to theta = 29.00	99.6 %
Absorption correction	Multi-sacn
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	1558 / 0 / 79
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.033
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0357, wR2 = 0.0527
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0901, wR2 = 0.0627
Largest diff. peak and hole	1.066 and -1.816 e.Å ⁻³

2 – Crystallographic data for β -Pb(S-C₆H₅)₂

a- checkcif report for β -Pb(S-C₆H₅)₂

Bond precision:	C-C = 0.0126 Å	Wavelength=0.71073
Cell:	a=27.1492(11) b=6.0119(2) c=7.2935(3)	
	alpha=90 beta=90 gamma=90	
	Calculated	Reported
Volume	1190.43(8)	1190.43(8)
Space group	P21ca	P 21 c a
Hall group	P -2ac 2a	?
Moiety formula	C12 H10 Pb S2	?
Sum formula	C12 H10 Pb S2	C12 H10 Pb S2
Mr	425.54	425.54
Dx,g cm-3	2.374	2.374
Z	4	4
Mu (mm-1)	14.485	14.485
F000	784.0	784.0
F000'	772.45	
h,k,lmax	35,7,9	35,7,9
Nref	1404(2746)	2205
Tmin,Tmax	0.135,0.235	0.103,0.282
Tmin'	0.060	
Correction method=	AbsCorr=MULTI-SCAN	
Data completeness=	1.57(0.80) Theta(max)= 27.520	
R(reflections)=	0.0270(1822) wR2(reflections)= 0.0454(2205)	
S =	1.032 Npar= 136	

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b - Table 1. Crystal data and structure refinement for β -Pb(S-C₆H₅)₂

Empirical formula	C12 H10 Pb S2
Formula weight	425.54
Temperature	293(2) K
Wavelength	0.71073 Å
Crystal system, space group	orthorhombic, P 21 c a
Unit cell dimensions	a = 27.1492(11) Å alpha = 90.000(4) deg. b = 6.0119(2) Å beta = 90.000(4) deg. c = 7.2935(3) Å gamma = 90.000(3) deg.
Volume	1190.43(8) Å ³
Z, Calculated density	4, 2.374 Mg/m ³
Absorption coefficient	14.485 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	784
Crystal size	0.2 x 0.12 x 0.08 mm
Theta range for data collection	3.39 to 27.52 deg.
Limiting indices	-24<=h<=35, -7<=k<=7, -9<=l<=9
Reflections collected / unique	10365 / 2205 [R(int) = 0.0458]
Completeness to theta = 27.52	99.8 %
Absorption correction	Multi-scan
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	2205 / 1 / 136
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.032
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0270, wR2 = 0.0427
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0422, wR2 = 0.0454
Absolute structure parameter	0.123(8)
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.720 and -0.849 e.Å ⁻³

3 – X-ray powder diffraction

Powder X-ray diffraction measurements were carried out on a D8 Bruker diffractometer using Cu-K $\alpha_{1,2}$ radiation, equipped with a linear Vantec super speed detector. Powder X-Ray patterns of samples of α -Pb(SPh)₂ and β -Pb(SPh)₂ showed that all reflections are indexed in the unit cells obtained from X-ray diffraction of the single crystal studies (X-ray patterns given in the main text).

DSC ANALYSIS

Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) measurements were performed on a DSC-2010 TA Instruments system.

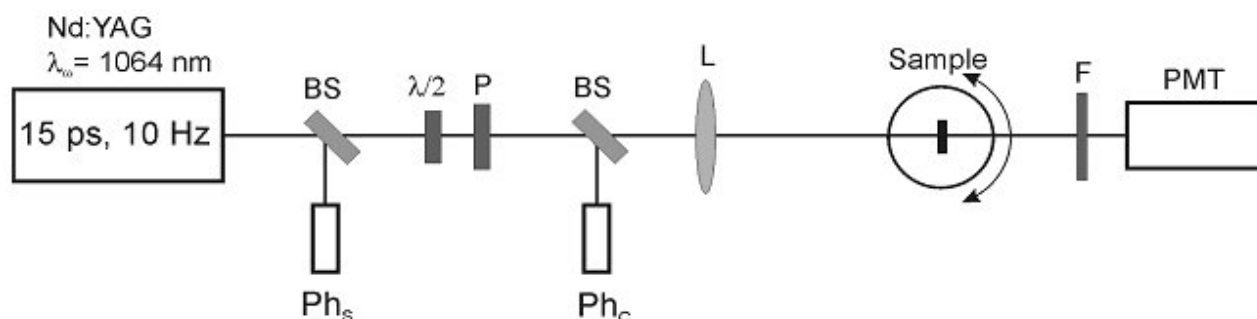
DSC analysis were carried out by loading sample (approximately 5 mg) in a nearly hermetic aluminum capsule which was then located in the system unit (nitrogen atmosphere) and heated from room temperature up to 450°C with a 5°C/min ramp rate.

SHG EXPERIMENTS

The properties of the SHG were studied for a fundamental wavelength at 1064 nm from a Q-switch Nd:YAG laser (Model Continuum Leopard D-10) with a pulse duration of 15 ps and a mean power density of 1.0 mJ per pulse at the repetition frequency of 10 Hz. The energy of the fundamental beam was changed with a half-wave plate and a Glan polarizer. The beam was focused on the sample passing through a convergent lens with a focal length of 250 mm.

The crystals of the studied samples and POM were crushed and sieved in order to assure almost the same crystallites size (range of 125-250 μm). The studied powder was placed between two microscope slides. All experiments were done at the same conditions and the amount of used material of studied samples was the same (40 mg).

The SH signal was detected by a photomultiplier (Hamamatsu R1828-01), then integrated by a box-car and processed by a LabVIEW program.



Experimental setup of SHG: BS: beam splitter, $\lambda/2$: half wave plate, P: Glan polarizer, L: convergent lens (250 mm), F: selective spectral filter (532 nm), Ph_s: synchronization photodiode, Ph_c: control photodiode, PMT: photomultiplier.