

The Crystal and Molecular Structure of 5-Hydroxydopamine Hydrochloride

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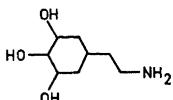
The crystal structure of 5-hydroxydopamine hydrochloride has been determined by X-ray methods using 1310 reflections collected by counter methods. The crystals are orthorhombic, space group *Pbca*, with unit cell dimensions $a = 14.58_s$ Å, $b = 16.34_s$ Å and $c = 7.83_s$ Å. The refinements yielded an *R*-factor of 0.039; standard deviations in bond lengths are 0.002–0.003 Å and in angles 0.2°. The molecular structure is close to that found for other hydroxylated phenylethylamine derivatives. The crystal structure is stabilized through an extensive hydrogen bond system.

Interference with the chemistry of synaptic transmission is one of the mechanisms through which drug molecules may influence a biological system. Drugs with a biological activity which may be explained by the structural analogy to normal neuro transmitters represent a source of information about the transmission mechanism.¹ Whereas noradrenaline is considered to be a normal transmitter in adrenergic synapses, it seems probable that structurally related compounds can be stored in nerve terminals and released by stimulation.² It appears that the biological activity of 3,4,5-trihydroxyphenylethylamine (5-hydroxydopamine), at least partly, is based on this mechanism and thus may act as a "false" transmitter,³ and it is also closely related to the hallucinogen mescaline (3,4,5-trimethoxyphenylethylamine). The structure determinations of 5-hydroxydopamine hydrochloride seems to be of value for the study of the influence of the environment on the side chain conformation in analogous compounds.^{4,5}

EXPERIMENTAL

Crystals of 5-hydroxydopamine hydrochloride were formed by slow diffusion of ethyl ether into a concentrated solution of the compound in alcohol. The thin, needle-formed crystal plates could be directly used for the X-ray experiments.

Oscillation and Weissenberg photographs indicated orthorhombic symmetry. Absent reflections were $0kl$ for k odd, $h0l$ for l odd and $hk0$ for h odd which uniquely show the space group to be *Pbca*.



Unit cell parameters were determined from diffractometer measurements of the eight equivalents of six unique reflections on a manual Picker diffractometer using CuK β radiation ($\lambda = 1.3922 \text{ \AA}$). The take-off angle was 0.5°. The computer program employed in the least squares treatment of the measurements as well as the other programs applied during the structure investigation are described in Ref. 6.

Three-dimensional intensity data were recorded on an automatic Picker diffractometer using graphite crystal monochromated MoK-radiation. The take-off angle was 4°. A crystal of dimensions $0.04 \times 0.17 \times 0.39 \text{ mm}^3$ was mounted with the needle axis (*c*) along the diffractometer ϕ axis. The $\omega - 2\theta$ scanning mode was employed, the 2θ scan speed being 1° min^{-1} through the scan range from 0.5° below $2\theta(\alpha_1)$ to 0.6° above $2\theta(\alpha_2)$. Background counts were taken for 20 sec at each of the scan range limits. Intensities of three standard reflections were measured for every 100 reflections of the data set. They showed no decrease during the run. Fluctuations up to 4 % occurred, however, and the intensities were accordingly adjusted. Estimated standard deviations in the intensities were taken as the square root of the total counts; 2 % was added to allow for the uncertainty in the adjustments.

The measurements included 2614 unique reflections with $\sin \theta/\lambda$ less than 0.7 \AA^{-1} . Of these 1310 had net intensities larger than $3\sigma(I)$; the rest were regarded as unobserved and excluded from the further calculations.

The intensity data were corrected for Lorentz, polarization and absorption effects.

Atomic form factors used were those of Hanson *et al.*⁷ for oxygen, nitrogen, and carbon, of Stewart *et al.*⁸ for hydrogen. For the chlorine ion the values listed in *International Tables* (1962) were employed.

CRYSTAL DATA

5-Hydroxydopamine hydrochloride, C₈H₁₂O₃NCl, orthorhombic. *a* = 14.588(0.005) Å; *b* = 16.345(0.003) Å; *c* = 7.835(0.003) Å. Figures in parentheses are estimated standard deviations. *V* = 1868 Å³; *M* = 205.64; *F*(000) = 864; μ = 0.38 mm⁻¹; *Z* = 8.

*D*_{obs} (flotation) = 1.46 g cm⁻³, *D*_{calc} = 1.462 g cm⁻³. Space group *Pbca*.

STRUCTURE DETERMINATION

The parameters of the chlorine ion were determined from a sharpened Patterson function. A weighted Fourier map⁹ gave information about the position of all non-hydrogen atoms; one Fourier refinement yielded an *R*-factor of 0.15. Two cycles of least squares refinement of the parameters lowered *R* to 0.10. Two additional cycles, introducing anisotropic thermal parameters for the heavy atoms and including the six hydrogen atoms bonded to carbon atoms in calculated positions yielded an *R*-factor of 0.073. A difference Fourier map calculated at this point did not give sufficient information about the remaining six hydrogen atoms, and the hydrogen bond system in the crystal was therefore considered. Probable hydrogen bonds with the heteroatoms acting as hydrogen donors were found. Tentative positions of the six hydrogen atoms were chosen on the connecting line between the hydrogen bond partners. Least squares refinements led to hydrogen atomic positions giving bond angles

Table 1. Observed and calculated structure factors. The columns are h , k , l , $10 \times |F_o|$ and $10 \times |F_c|$.

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2	11	6	154	153	10	2	6	172	163	5	2	7	125	- 126	4	11	8	151	156						

closer to tetrahedral values on the hetero atoms; the magnitudes of the thermal parameters were also quite reasonable. Finally, six least squares refinement cycles with variation of all parameters yielded a conventional *R*-factor of 0.039 and a weighted *R* of 0.032.

A comparison of observed and calculated structure factors is given in Table 1. Final parameters are listed in Table 2 for non-hydrogen atoms and in Table 3 for hydrogen atoms.

Magnitudes and directions of the principal axes of the vibrational ellipsoids are given in Table 4. The r.m.s. discrepancy between the atomic vibration tensor components obtained in the structure determination and those calculated from a rigid-body analysis of the cation was 0.0036 Å². The translational r.m.s. amplitudes of vibration are 0.18 Å, 0.17 Å, and 0.16 Å along the principal axes and the r.m.s. librational amplitudes 5.3°, 1.9°, and 1.2°. The coordinates were adjusted according to this libration.

DISCUSSION

Bond lengths and angles are presented in Table 5. The bond lengths corrected for the librational effects and the bond angles may be found in

Table 2. Fractional atomic coordinates and thermal parameters with estimated standard deviations for non-hydrogen atoms ($\times 10^6$). The temperature factor is given by $\exp - (B_{11}h^2 + B_{22}k^2 + B_{33}l^2 + B_{12}hk + B_{13}hl + B_{23}kl)$.

Atom	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>B</i> ₁₁	<i>B</i> ₂₂	<i>B</i> ₃₃	<i>B</i> ₁₂	<i>B</i> ₁₃	<i>B</i> ₂₃
Cl	8383 4	6128 4	14243 8	271 3	284 2	1253 11	-40 5	145 11	0 10
O1	29518 10	8075 9	14617 23	252 8	204 6	2304 40	9 11	122 31	155 28
O2	46948 10	10445 9	4424 21	295 8	282 7	1495 35	188 13	-168 29	-48 27
O3	53036 10	25844 11	-2628 26	268 8	358 8	2840 50	26 14	531 35	455 34
N	9505 12	44143 11	22376 24	305 10	229 7	1322 38	34 15	59 34	13 30
C1	28909 14	30246 13	7148 30	272 11	213 9	1026 44	45 17	40 40	9 35
C2	26062 14	22417 14	11239 30	203 10	229 9	1342 50	10 16	102 39	-26 36
C3	32116 14	15948 13	10627 29	265 11	188 9	1079 49	6 18	-14 37	16 33
C4	41118 15	17155 13	5953 29	247 10	212 9	1111 44	121 17	-87 43	-44 35
C5	44049 14	24978 16	1996 32	215 10	310 10	1179 51	13 19	92 39	66 36
C6	37993 15	31501 13	2743 30	301 11	204 10	1344 50	-41 18	175 42	129 37
C7	22018 15	37164 13	6740 32	318 12	213 9	1369 51	103 17	111 44	145 37
C8	17323 15	38312 14	23697 35	399 13	261 9	1408 54	257 22	99 46	96 43

Fig. 1 where the numbering of the atoms is indicated. The estimated standard deviations were calculated from the correlation matrix. Standard deviations in carbon-carbon and carbon-nitrogen bond lengths are 0.003 Å and in carbon-oxygen bond lengths 0.002 Å. The standard deviation in angles involving carbon, nitrogen, or oxygen atoms is 0.2°.

The pyrogallol part is nearly planar. The C1 to C6 carbon atoms deviate less than 0.009 Å from a least squares benzene ring plane whereas the deviation for C7 is 0.104 Å and for the oxygen atoms -0.015 Å (O1), 0.085 Å (O2) and 0.015 Å (O3). The geometry of the carbon frame is quite normal, the average C-C bond length is 1.386 Å. The C3-O1 and C5-O3 bond lengths, 1.380 Å and 1.370 Å, respectively, agree well with the value commonly found in phenols. The C4-O2 bond of 1.394 Å is significantly longer, but is the expected single bond length between an oxygen and an *sp*² hybridized carbon atom.

The distortions of the external C-C-O angles from 120° at the C3 and C5 atoms are in accordance with those usually observed in hydroxylated benzenes where the phenolic hydrogen atom is involved in a hydrogen bond roughly coplaner with the benzene ring. The larger angle seems in such cir-

Table 3. Fractional atomic coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and isotropic thermal parameters with estimated standard deviations for hydrogen atoms.

Atom	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>B</i>
HO1	2406	770	1553	3.4
	19	15	35	7
HO2	5047	1003	1266	3.8
	19	17	35	7
HO3	5400	3022	-545	4.8
	21	18	40	9
HN1	733	4504	3278	4.9
	19	17	41	8
HN2	494	4231	1544	4.5
	19	16	37	8
HN3	1163	4914	1809	3.7
	17	17	32	7
H2	2000	2139	1498	1.7
	13	11	26	4
H6	4018	3681	-4	2.4
	17	16	34	7
H71	1710	3581	-197	3.2
	14	14	30	5
H72	2489	4237	312	3.6
	17	13	29	5
H81	2192	4074	3175	4.6
	16	15	33	7
H82	1491	3331	2773	4.2
	16	15	35	7

Table 4. R.m.s. amplitudes of vibration (\bar{u}^2) $^{1/2}$ (Å) and *B* values (Å²) along the principal axes of vibration given by the components of a unit vector *e* in fractional coordinates.

Atom	$(\bar{u}^2)^{1/2}$	<i>B</i>	<i>e_x</i>	<i>e_k</i>	<i>e_z</i>
Cl ⁻	.202	3.23	.0262	.0227	.1080
	.196	3.04	-.0032	.0555	.0535
	.165	2.15	.0632	.0122	-.0421
O1	.269	5.73	.0054	.0069	.1264
	.165	2.14	.0367	.0510	-.0175
	.164	2.11	-.0577	.0331	.0007
O2	.226	4.02	.0333	.0316	-.0900
	.207	3.37	.0237	.0384	.0890
	.151	1.80	.0551	-.0356	.0161
O3	.311	7.62	.0150	.0179	.1188
	.210	3.48	.0114	-.0582	.0331
	.158	1.97	.0659	.0060	-.0327
N	.204	3.28	.0146	.0050	.1243
	.184	2.67	.0549	.0341	-.0282
	.172	2.34	-.0384	.0506	.0068
C1	.182	2.60	.0376	.0253	.0928
	.176	2.44	.0331	.0338	-.0867
	.162	2.08	-.0468	.0443	.0131
C2	.205	3.33	.0097	-.0040	.1261
	.176	2.44	.0056	.0609	.0070
	.146	1.69	-.0676	.0045	.0186

Table 4. Continued.

C3	.183	2.65	-.0051	.0036	.1271
	.169	2.25	.0679	.0073	.0086
	.159	2.00	.0079	-.0606	.0086
C4	.194	2.96	.0348	.0322	-.0870
	.179	2.53	.0276	.0340	.0929
	.142	1.59	.0522	-.0394	.0089
C5	.207	3.39	.0058	.0569	.0457
	.190	2.86	.0112	-.0225	.1168
	.150	1.79	-.0674	.0012	.0235
C6	.211	3.52	.0240	.0108	.1174
	.181	2.59	-.0555	.0337	.0258
	.157	1.94	.0323	.0499	-.0428
C7	.215	3.65	.0283	.0228	.1061
	.187	2.76	.0522	.0221	-.0688
	.157	1.94	.0343	-.0523	.0171
C8	.238	4.46	.0510	.0361	.0398
	.206	3.35	.0183	.0101	-.1212
	.152	1.83	.0420	-.0483	.0044

Table 5. Bond lengths (Å) and bond angles (°).

Bond lengths	Corrected	Bond angles	
C1-C2	1.383	1.388	C1-C2-C3 120.6
C2-C3	1.379	1.379	C2-C3-C4 120.7
C3-C4	1.377	1.382	C3-C4-C5 119.1
C4-C5	1.384	1.388	C4-C5-C6 120.3
C5-C6	1.386	1.387	C5-C6-C1 120.4
C6-C1	1.386	1.389	C6-C1-C2 118.8
C1-C7	1.513	1.514	C2-C1-C7 119.8
C7-C8	1.507	1.512	C6-C1-C7 121.3
C8-N	1.490	1.491	C1-C7-C8 112.2
C3-O1	1.377	1.380	C7-C8-N 111.5
C4-O2	1.393	1.394	C2-C3-O1 122.2
C5-O3	1.368	1.370	C4-C3-O1 117.1
			C3-C4-O2 119.5
			C5-C4-O2 121.3
			C4-C5-O3 116.9
Hydrogen bond lengths		C6-C5-O3	122.8
O1-Cl ⁻	3.100		
O2-Cl ⁻ (a)	3.051	(a)	$x + \frac{1}{2}, y, -z + \frac{1}{2}$
O3-Cl ⁻ (b)	3.181	(b)	$x + \frac{1}{2}, -y + \frac{1}{2}, -z$
N-Cl ⁻ (c)	3.285	(c)	$x, -y + \frac{1}{2}, z + \frac{1}{2}$
O1-N(d)	2.850	(d)	$-x + \frac{1}{2}, y - \frac{1}{2}, z$
O2-N(b)	2.886		
Other short contacts			
O3-H2(b)	2.70		
C3-C6(c)	3.44		

cumstances always to be *cis* to the hydrogen atom relative to the C—O bond. A slight shortening of these bonds also appears to be associated with this coplanarity.

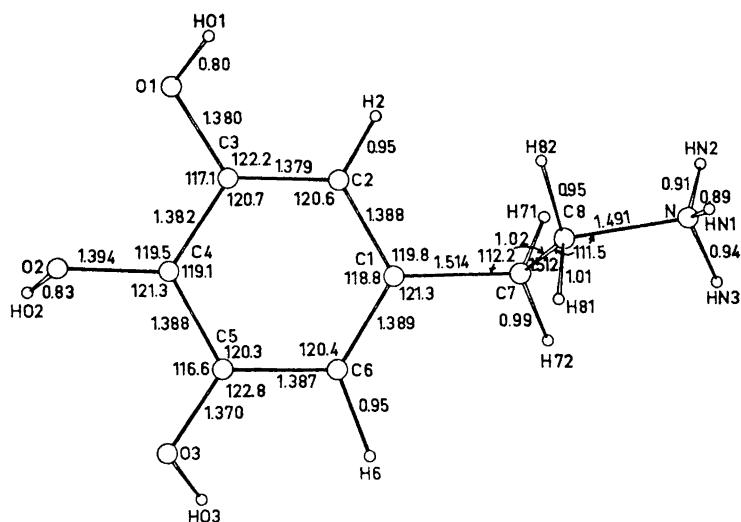


Fig. 1. Bond lengths (corrected) (\AA) and angles ($^\circ$).

The bond lengths in the ethylammonium part are not significantly different from those found in 6-hydroxydopamine hydrochloride.⁵

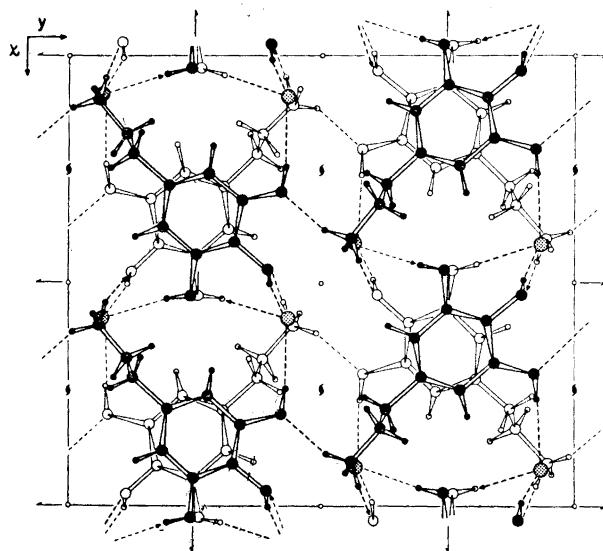


Fig. 2. The structure as viewed down the c -axis.

The angle between the benzene ring plane and the plane defined by C1, C7, and C8 is 57.7° , the C7—H72 bond is thus situated in the plane of the benzene ring. The dihedral angle C1—C7—C8—N is 189.6° and the conformation about the C8—N bond is staggered. This extended structure is always found in hydrochloric salts of phenylethylamines.^{5,10} Of the two torsional angles determining the molecular conformation, the one about C1—C7 seems to be less rigidly fixed than does the one about C7—C8 in these structures. However, MO calculations on the free N-protonated dopamine showed a preferred *gauche* conformation of the nitrogen atom relative to the phenyl ring; this was supported by an NMR analysis of the molecule.¹¹ Thus, the structures of the hydrochlorides alone are not conclusive as to the preferred conformation of this type of molecules.

The crystal structure (Fig. 2) is mainly stabilized by hydrogen bonds of the types N—H...O, N—H...Cl⁻ and O—H...Cl⁻.

The phenol oxygen atoms act as hydrogen donors in hydrogen bonds to chlorine ions, the lengths being 3.100 Å (O1), 3.051 Å (O2), and 3.181 Å (O3). The H—Cl⁻ distances are 2.30 Å, 2.24 Å, and 2.42 Å, respectively. The nitrogen atom is hydrogen donor in a corresponding bond, the N—Cl⁻ distance being 3.285 Å and the HN1—Cl⁻ distance 2.48 Å. O1 and O3 are hydrogen acceptors in hydrogen bonds to nitrogen atoms of neighbouring molecules; the hydrogen bond lengths are 2.850 Å and 2.886 Å, respectively.

Each 5-hydroxydopamine ion is thus hydrogen bonded to four chlorine ions and to four other organic moieties. There are two additional neighbouring organic ions along the z axis with van der Waals contacts as listed in Table 5. The chlorine ions are hydrogen bonded to four organic ions as shown in Fig. 3.

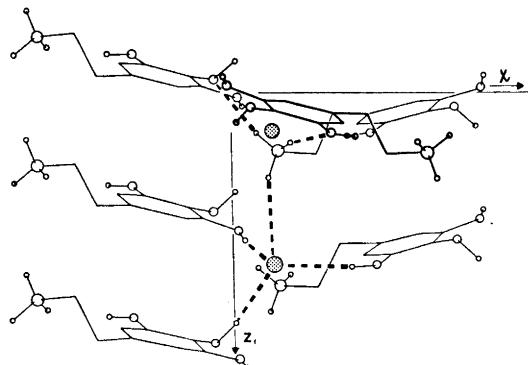


Fig. 3. The coordination about the chlorine ion (dotted).

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