

Organic molecules visualizable by crystal data in introductory chemistry

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Abstract— Generating checklists could provide new insights into the teaching strategies. Thus, the crystal structures' data of organic compounds learned in secondary chemical education were collected from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre (CCDC) database. It has revealed that almost all the crystal data of these organic molecules are available, contrarily to an anticipation that liquid or gaseous ones at room temperature have few data. This index data would be fundamental for further studies hereafter.

Keywords— ICT teaching material, Molecular geometry, Structural chemistry, X-ray crystallography.

I. INTRODUCTION

As far, studies regarding the data of crystal structures of organic compounds as ICT teaching materials in secondary chemical education have been reported [1-9]. However, they have not been able to cover whole organic molecules of chemistry in secondary education. On the other hand, for second-year undergraduate and upper-division undergraduate, teaching materials of three-dimensional structural chemistry using the CCDC (Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre) databases are available [10-14] whose contents seems to be slight difficult for students in high schools. Hence, for teaching and learning the organic chemistry in secondary schools, I collected the crystalline structural data of organic compounds from the CCDC database to demonstrate their structures clearly summarized as a checklist.

II. RESULTS

Collected articles are described as follow:

1. Alkane

1.1. Methane CH₄

1.1.1. Methane hydrate (CH₄)(H₂O)₄ [15]

1.1.2. Methane-C₆₀fullerene-nickel(II) octaethylporphyrin-benzene CH₄·C₆₀·NiC₃₆H₄₄N₄·C₆H₆ [16]

1.2. Ethane C₂H₆ [17]

1.3. Propane C₃H₈ [18]

1.4. Butane C₄H₁₀ [18]

1.5. Hexane C₆H₁₄ [18]

1.6. Octane C₈H₁₈ [18]

2. Haloalkane

2.1. Chloromethane CH₃Cl [19]

2.2. Dichloromethane CH₂Cl₂ [20]

2.3. Chloroform CHCl₃ [21]

2.4. Tetrachloromethane CCl₄ [22]

2.5. Iodoform CHI₃ [23]

2.6. Iodoform-octasulfur CHI₃·3S₈ [24]

2.7 1,2-Dibromoethane-7,16-(2,3-anthraceno)-7,16-dihydroheptacene 3C₂H₄Br₂·C₄₄H₂₆ [25]

3. Cycloalkane/Halocycloalkane

3.1. Cyclobutane C₄H₈ [26]

3.2. Cyclopentane C₅H₁₀ [27]

3.3. Cyclohexane C₆H₁₂ [28]

3.4. Hexachlorocyclohexane C₆H₆Cl₆ [29]

4. Alkene/Cycloalkene

- 4.1. Ethylene C_2H_4 [30]
- 4.2. Propene C_3H_6
- 4.2.1. Propene-iron(II) 2,5-dioxido-1,4-benzenedicarboxylate $C_3H_6 \cdot Fe_2C_8O_6$ [31]
- 4.3. Butene C_4H_8
- 4.3.1. 1-Butene-cobalt (II) 2,5-dioxido-1,4-benzenedicarboxylate $CH_2=CHCH_2CH_3 \cdot Co_2C_8O_6$ [32]
- 4.3.2. *cis*-2-Butene-cobalt (II) 2,5-dioxido-1,4-benzenedicarboxylate $CH_2=CHCH_2CH_3 \cdot Co_2C_8O_6$ [32]
- 4.3.3. *trans*-2-Butene-cobalt (II) 2,5-dioxido-1,4-benzenedicarboxylate $CH_2=CHCH_2CH_3 \cdot Co_2C_8O_6$ [32]
- 4.4. Cyclohexene C_6H_{10} [33]
5. Alkyne
- 5.1. Acetylene C_2H_2 [34]
- 5.2. Propyne C_3H_4
- 5.2.1. Cadmium(II) [bis(-3,5-bis[3-(pyridin-4-yl)phenyl]-4H-1,2,4-triazol-4-amine) perchlorate-propyne $[Cd(C_{24}H_{18}N_6)_2(ClO_4)_2] \cdot 2C_3H_4$ [35]
- 5.3. 2-Butyne C_4H_6
- 5.3.1. 2-Butyne-hydrogen chloride $C_4H_6 \cdot HCl$ [36]
6. Aliphatic alcohol
- 6.1. Methanol CH_3OH [37]
- 6.1-1. Methanol-chloroform $CH_3OH \cdot CHCl_3$ [38]
- 6.2. Ethanol C_2H_5OH [39]
- 6.2.1. Sodium ethoxide-ethanol $C_2H_5ONa \cdot 2C_2H_5OH$ [40]
- 6.3. Propanol C_3H_7OH
- 6.3.1. Sodium 1-propoxide-1-propanol $CH_3(CH_2)_2ONa \cdot 2CH_3(CH_2)_2OH$ [40]
- 6.3.2. Mono-2-*O*-(mesitylsulfonyl)- α -cyclodextrin 1-propanol nonahydrate $2CH_3(CH_2)_2OH \cdot C_{45}H_{60}O_{32}S \cdot 9H_2O$ [41]
- 6.3.3. 1-Propanol-vitamin B₁₂ dodecahydrate $3CH_3(CH_2)_2OH \cdot C_{63}H_{88}CoN_{14}O_{14}P \cdot 12H_2O$ [42]
- 6.4. 2-Propanol $CH_3CH(OH)CH_3$ [43]
- 6.5. Butanol C_4H_9OH
- 6.5.1. 1-Butanol $CH_3(CH_2)_3OH$ [44]
- 6.5.2. 2-Butanol $CH_3CH(OH)CH_2CH_3$ [45]
- 6.5.3. 2-Methyl-1-propanol $(CH_3)_2CHCH_2OH$ [46]
- 6.5.4. 2-Methyl-2-propanol $(CH_3)_3COH$ [47]
- 6.6. Ethylene glycol $HOCH_2CH_2OH$ [48]
- 6.7. Glycerin $HOCH_2CH(OH)CH_2OH$ [49]
7. Aliphatic ether
- 7.1. Dimethyl ether $(CH_3)_2O$ [50]
- 7.2. Diethyl ether $(C_2H_5)_2O$ [51]
8. Aliphatic Aldehyde/ Ketone
- 8.1. Formaldehyde $HCHO$ [52]
- 8.1.1. Formaldehyde-acetylene $HCHO \cdot C_2H_2$ [53]
- 8.2. Acetaldehyde CH_3CHO [54]
- 8.3. Propionaldehyde CH_3CH_2CHO [55]
- 8.4. Acetone $(CH_3)_2CO$ [56]
9. Aliphatic carboxylic acid/carboxylate/anhydride
- 9.1. Formic acid $HCOOH$ [57]
- 9.1.1. Formic acid-hydrogen fluoride $HCOOH \cdot HF$ [58]
- 9.2. Acetic acid CH_3COOH [59]
- 9.3. Ethyl acetate $CH_3COOC_2H_5$ [60]
- 9.4. Sodium acetate trihydrate $CH_3COONa \cdot 3H_2O$ [61]
- 9.4.1. Calcium acetate monohydrate $Ca(CH_3COO)_2 \cdot H_2O$ [62]
- 9.5. Acetic anhydride $(CH_3COO)_2O$ [63]
- 9.6. Propionic acid CH_3CH_2COOH [64]
- 9.7. Butyric acid $CH_3(CH_2)_2COOH$
- 9.7.1. Butyric acid-cytenamide $CH_3(CH_2)_2COOH \cdot C_{16}H_{13}NO$ [65]
- 9.8. Oxalic acid $(COOH)_2$ [66]
- 9.8.1. Oxalic acid dihydrate $(COOH)_2 \cdot 2H_2O$ [67]
- 9.9. Sodium oxalate $(COONa)_2$ [68]
- 9.10. Calcium oxalate trihydrate $CaC_2O_4 \cdot 3H_2O$ [69]
- 9.11. Ammonium hydrogen oxalate hemihydrate $NH_4HC_2O_4 \cdot 0.5H_2O$ [70]
- 9.12. Oxalic acid-ammonium hydrogen oxalate dihydrate $(COOH)_2 \cdot NH_4H(COO)_2 \cdot 2H_2O$ [71]
- 9.13. Hexamethylenediammonium bis(monohydrogen oxalate) monohydrate $(CH_2CH_2CH_2NH_3)_2H(COO)_2 \cdot H_2O$ [72]
- 9.14. Glutaric acid $HOOC(CH_2)_3COOH$
- 9.14.1. Glutaric acid-glycine $HOOC(CH_2)_3COOH \cdot H_3N^+C_2H_4COO^-$ [73]
- 9.15. Adipic acid $HOOC(CH_2)_4COOH$ [74]
- 9.15.1. Adipic acid-urea $HOOC(CH_2)_4COOH \cdot CO(NH_2)_2$ [75]
- 9.16. Maleic acid $C_2H_2(COOH)_2$ [76]

- 9.16.1 Maleic acid-L-lysine $\text{HOOCCH}=\text{CHCOO}^-\text{H}_3\text{N}^+\text{C}-\text{H}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_3^+)\text{COO}^-$ [77]
- 9.17. Maleic anhydride $(\text{CHCO})_2\text{O}$ [78]
- 9.18. Fumaric acid $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2(\text{COOH})_2$ [79]
- 9.18.1. Fumaric acid- ethenzamide $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2(\text{COOH})_2 \cdot \text{C}_9\text{H}_{11}\text{N}-\text{O}_2$ [80]
- 9.19. Methyl methacrylate $\text{CH}_2=\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)\text{COOCH}_3$ [81]
- 9.20. Stearic acid $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{35}\text{COOH}$ [82]
- 9.21. Stearin $\text{C}_3\text{H}_5(\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{35}\text{O}_2)_3$ [83]
10. Organosulfate/Organonitrate
- 10.1. Sodium dodecyl sulfate $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{25}\text{OSO}_3\text{Na}$ [84]
- 10.1.1. Sodium dodecyl sulfate monohydrate $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{25}\text{OSO}_3-\text{Na} \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ [85]
- 10.2. Nitroglycerin $\text{C}_3\text{H}_5(\text{NO}_3)_3$ [86]
11. Aliphatic amine/amide/nitrile
- 11.1. Hexamethylenediamine $\text{H}_2\text{N}(\text{CH}_2)_6\text{NH}_2$ [87]
- 11.2. ϵ -Caprolactam $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}$ [88]
- 11.3. Acetonitrile CH_3CN
- 11.3.1. Acetonitrile-acetylene $\text{CH}_3\text{CN} \cdot \text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ [53]
12. Aliphatic hydroxy acid/amino acid
- 12.1. Lactic acid $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{COOH}$ [89]
- 12.2. Tartaric acid $\text{HOOCCH}(\text{OH})\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{COOH}$ [90]
- 12.2.1. Sodium ammonium tartrate tetrahydrate $\text{NaNH}_4\text{O}-\text{OCCH}(\text{OH})\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{COO} \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$ [91]
- 12.3. Glycine $\text{H}_3\text{N}^+\text{CH}_2\text{COO}^-$ [92]
- 12.4. Alanine $\text{H}_3\text{N}^+\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)\text{COO}^-$ [93]
- 12.5. Serine $\text{H}_3\text{N}^+\text{CH}(\text{CH}_2\text{OH})\text{COO}^-$
- 12.5.1. Serine hydrogen peroxide $\text{H}_3\text{N}^+\text{CH}(\text{CH}_2\text{OH})-\text{COO}^- \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ [94]
13. Sugar
- 13.1. α -D-Glucose $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6$ [95]
- 13.2. β -D-Glucose $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6$ [96]
- 13.3. Fructose $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6$
- 13.3.1. Fructose-calcium chloride trihydrate $2\text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6 \cdot \text{Ca}-\text{Cl}_2 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$ [97]
- 13.4. α -Maltose $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_{11}$ [98]
- 13.5. Sucrose $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_{11}$ [99]
- 13.6. Cellulose $(\text{C}_6\text{H}_{10}\text{O}_5)_n$ [100]
14. Aromatic hydrocarbon
- 14.1. Benzene C_6H_6 [101]
- 14.2. Benzene ethane $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6 \cdot \text{C}_2\text{H}_6$ [102]
- 14.3. Benzene bromine $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6 \cdot \text{Br}_2$ [103]
- 14.4. Toluene $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{CH}_3$ [104]
- 14.4.1. $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{CH}_3 \cdot \text{Br}_2$ [105]
- 14.5. Xylene $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4(\text{CH}_3)_2$
- 14.5.1. *o*-Xylene $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4(\text{CH}_3)_2$ [106]
- 14.5.2. *m*-Xylene $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4(\text{CH}_3)_2$ [107]
- 14.5.3. *m*-Xylene acetylene $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4(\text{CH}_3)_2 \cdot \text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ [53]
- 14.5.3. *p*-Xylene $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4(\text{CH}_3)_2$ [108]
- 14.6. Styrene $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$ [109]
- 14.7. Naphthalene C_{10}H_8 [110]
- 14.7. Naphthalene-picric acid $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_8 \cdot \text{C}_6\text{H}_2\text{OH}(\text{NO}_2)_3$ [111]
- 14.8. Anthracene $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{10}$ [112]
15. Aromatic halohydrocarbon
- 15.1. Chlorobenzene $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{Cl}$ [113]
- 15.2. *p*-Dichlorobenzene $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Cl}_2$ [114]
- 15.3. Bromobenzene
- 15.3.1. C_{60} Fullerene bromobenzene $\text{C}_{60} \cdot \text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{Br}$ [115]
16. Aromatic nitrohydrocarbon
- 16.1. Nitrobenzene $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{NO}_2$ [116]
- 16.2. *m*-Dinitrobenzene $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4(\text{NO}_2)_2$ [117]
- 16.3. 1,3,5-Trinitrobenzene
- 16.3.1. 1,3,5-Trinitrobenzene-azobenzene $2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3(\text{NO}_2)_3 \cdot \text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{N}=\text{NC}_6\text{H}_5$ [118]
- 16.4. 2,4,6-Trinitrotoluene $\text{CH}_3\text{C}_6\text{H}_2(\text{NO}_2)_3$ [119]
- 16.4.2. 2,4,6-Trinitrotoluene-anthracene $\text{CH}_3\text{C}_6\text{H}_2(\text{NO}_2)_3 \cdot \text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{10}$ [120]
17. Aromatic sulfonic acid
- 17.1. Benzenesulfonic acid $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{SO}_3\text{H}$ [121]
- 17.2. Oxonium benzenesulfonate $\text{H}_3\text{OC}_6\text{H}_5\text{SO}_3$ [122]
- 17.3. Guanidium *p*-dodecylbenzenesulfonate $\text{H}_2\text{N}=\text{C}(\text{NH}_2)_2\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{30}\text{SO}_3$ [123]
18. Phenol
- 18.1. Phenol [124]

- 18.2. 2,4,6-Tribromophenol $C_6H_3Br_3OH$
- 18.2.1. 2,4,6-Tribromophenol 4-dimethylaminopyridinium 2,4,6-tribromophenoxide $C_6H_3Br_3OH \cdot (CH_3)_2NC_5H_4NHC_6H_3Br_3O$ [125]
- 18.2.2. Diammine bis(2,4,6-tribromophenoxide) copper(II) $[Cu(NH_3)_2(C_6H_3Br_3O)_2]$ [126]
- 18.3. Sodium phenoxide C_6H_5ONa [127-128]
- 18.3.1. Sodium phenoxide monohydrate $C_6H_5ONa \cdot H_2O$ [129]
- 18.3.2. Sodium phenoxide trihydrate $C_6H_5ONa \cdot 3H_2O$ [129]
- 18.3.3. Sodium tetramethanolate phenoxide $[Na(CH_3O-H)_4][OC_6H_5]$ [130]
- 18.3.4. Sodium phenoxide acetonitrile [131]
- 18.4. *o*-Cresol $C_6H_4(OH)CH_3$ [132]
- 18.5. *m*-Cresol $C_6H_4(OH)CH_3$
- 18.5.1. *m*-Cresol urea $C_6H_4(OH)CH_3 \cdot (NH_2)_2CO$ [133]
- 18.6. *p*-Cresol $C_6H_4(OH)CH_3$ [134]
- 18.7. Catechol $C_6H_4(OH)_2$ [135]
- 18.8. Resorcinol $C_6H_4(OH)_2$ [136]
- 18.9. Hydroquinone $C_6H_4(OH)_2$ [137]
- 18.9.1. Hydroquinone-carbon dioxide $C_6H_4(OH)_2 \cdot CO_2$ [138]
19. Aromatic alcohol/aldehyde/peroxide
- 19.1. Benzyl alcohol $C_6H_5CH_2OH$
- 19.1.1. β -Cyclodextrin-benzyl alcohol pentahydrate $(C_6H_{10}O_5)_7 \cdot C_6H_5CH_2OH \cdot 5H_2O$ [139]
- 19.2. Benzaldehyde C_6H_5CHO [140]
- 19.3. Cumene hydroperoxide $C_6H_5C(CH_3)_2OOH$
- 19.3.1. *cis*-1,3-Di-*tert*-butyl-2,4-bis(*tert*-butylamino)-1,3,2,4-diazadiphosphetidine 2,4-dioxide-cumyl alcohol-cumene hydroperoxide $[((CH_3)_3CHN)O=P(\mu-NC(CH_3)_3)_2P=O(NHC(CH_3)_3)] \cdot C_6H_5C(CH_3)_2OH \cdot C_6H_5C(CH_3)_2OOH$ [141]
- 19.3.2. Cumene peroxide-(1,4,7,10-tetramethyl-1,4,7,10-tetraazacyclododecane)-lithium-cumyl alcohol $[LiC_6H_5C(CH_3)_2OO(C_{12}H_{28}N_4)] \cdot C_6H_5C(CH_3)_2OOH$ [142]
20. Aromatic carboxylic acid/anhydride/salt/ester
- 20.1. Benzoic acid C_6H_5COOH [143]
- 20.2. Phthalic acid $C_6H_4(COOH)_2$ [144]
- 20.2.1. Phthalic acid sesquihydrate $C_6H_4(COOH)_2 \cdot 1.5H_2O$ [145]
- 20.3. Phthalic anhydride $C_6H_4(CO)_2O$ [146]
- 20.4. Hexaamminecobalt(III) chloride bis(hydrogen phthalate) trihydrate $[Co(NH_3)_6]Cl(C_8H_5O_4)_2 \cdot 3H_2O$ [147]
- 20.5. Isophthalic acid $C_6H_4(COOH)_2$ [148]
- 20.6. Terephthalic acid $C_6H_4(COOH)_2$ [149]
- 20.7. Salicylic acid $C_6H_4(OH)COOH$ [150]
- 20.8. Sodium salicylate $C_6H_4(OH)COONa$ [151]
- 20.9. Methyl salicylate $C_6H_4(OH)COOCH_3$
- 20.9.1. Bis(2,4,6-tris(4-pyridyl)-1,3,5-triazine)-hexaiodozinc-methyl salicylate $(ZnI_2)_3(C_{18}H_{12}N_6)_2 \cdot 4.25C_8H_8O_3$ [152]
- 20.10. Acetyl salicylate $C_6H_4(OCOCH_3)COOH$ [153]
21. Aromatic amine/diazonium salt/amide/amino acid
- 21.1. Aniline $C_6H_5NH_2$ [154]
- 21.1.1. Aniline $C_6H_5NH_2 \cdot C_6H_4(OH)CH_3$ [155]
- 21.1.2. Aniline hydrochloride $C_6H_5NH_3Cl$ [156]
- 21.2. Benzene diazonium chloride $C_6H_5N_2Cl$ [157]
- 21.3. Acetanilide $C_6H_5NHCOCH_3$ [158]
- 21.4. Phenylalanine
- 21.4.1. Phenylalanine monohydrate $H_3N^+CH(CH_2C_6H_5)COO^- \cdot H_2O$ [159]
22. Azo dye/phenolphthalein/ninhydrin
- 22.1. *p*-(Phenylazo)phenol $C_6H_5N=NC_6H_4OH$ [160]
- 22.1.1. Permethylated β -cyclodextrin-*p*-(phenylazo)phenol hexahydrate $C_6H_{112}O_{35} \cdot C_6H_5N=NC_6H_4OH \cdot 6H_2O$ [161]
- 22.1.2. β -cyclodextrin-*p*-(phenylazo)phenol octahydrate $(C_6H_{10}O_5)_7 \cdot C_6H_5N=NC_6H_4OH \cdot 8H_2O$ [162]
- 22.2. 1-Phenylazo-2-naphthol $C_6H_5N=NC_{10}H_6OH$ [163]
- 22.3. Methyl orange $(CH_3)NC_6H_4N=NC_6H_4SO_3Na$
- 22.3.1. Methyl orange tetrahydrate $(CH_3)NC_6H_4N=NC_6H_4SO_3Na \cdot 4H_2O$ [164]
- 22.3.1.2. Protonated methyl orange without sodium ion $(CH_3)NC_6H_4N=NH^+C_6H_4SO_3^-$ [165]
- 22.4. Methyl red $(CH_3)NC_6H_4N=NC_6H_4COOH$ [166]
- 22.5. Phenolphthalein $C_{20}H_{14}O_4$ [167-168]
- 22.6. Ninhydrin $C_6H_4(CO)_2C(OH)_2$ [169]

III. DISCUSSION

Although liquid and gaseous organic molecules at room temperature were seemed to have few data of crystal structures, it has revealed that almost all the crystalline structural data of the organic molecules learned in secondary chemical education are available in CCDC database. How-

ever, even in the simplest organic molecule such as methane, the crystal structure of pure methane to be visualized clearly have not been available in CCDC database [170] or there are disorders in atoms [171]. Instead, as the case of methane, a theoretically predicted crystal structure of methane hydrate by the Monte-Carlo packing algorithm and density-functional theory (DFT) optimization [15] and the crystal structure of a single methane molecule encapsulated in a C₆₀ fullerene cage [16] are selected for the purpose to be learned by students.

Contrarily, organic molecules learned in secondary schools have been known widely. Thus, it also seems that almost all of their crystallographic structural studies might have been finished until the 20th century. Is this idea true or not? Reported years of each data are also of interest. For example, from 2000 to 2009 (2000s), 37 structures; from 2010 to 2019 (2010s), 46 structures have been published. Therefore, it is elucidated that recent studies have contributed the clarifying the structures of organic molecules learned in secondary education in addition to the researches conducted in the latter half of the 20th century.

Generating checklists can offer new insights into the subject matter and teaching strategies [172]. Based on this objective, I am making these graphics of the structures of organic molecules be available with bibliographic data through the Internet (refer to URL in Acknowledgement). These structural data on organic molecules studied in secondary schools summarized herein will have a potential for developing further teaching ICT materials to be attractive for students. Besides, these findings summarized herein could be fundamental for application to also higher education of chemistry and materials engineering in the future.

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