

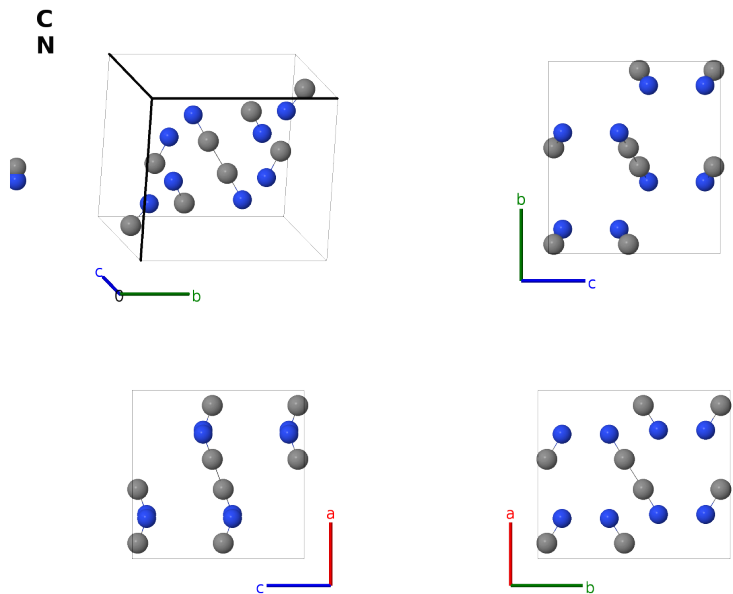
Cyanogen [(CN)₂] Structure: AB_oP16_61_c_c-002

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Prototype	CN
AFLOW prototype label	AB_oP16_61_c_c-002
Mineral name	cyanogen
ICSD	15870
CCDC	1134660
Pearson symbol	oP16
Space group number	61
Space group symbol	<i>Pbca</i>
AFLOW prototype command	<code>aflow --proto=AB_oP16_61_c_c-002 --params=a,b/a,c/a,x₁,y₁,z₁,x₂,y₂,z₂</code>

- We use the data for solid cyanogen at -95°C from (Parkes, 1963).
- (Parkes, 1963) give the structure in the *Pcab* setting of space group #61. We rotated this 90° about the *y*-axis to transform this to the standard *Pbca* setting.

- This structure has the same AFLOW label as B_e , CdSb. The structures are generated by the same symmetry operations with different sets of parameters (`--params`) specified in their corresponding CIF files.

Simple Orthorhombic primitive vectors



Basis vectors

	Lattice coordinates		Cartesian coordinates	Wyckoff position	Atom type
$\mathbf{B}_1$	$= x_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_1 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_1 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$ax_1 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_1 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_1 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8c)	C I
$\mathbf{B}_2$	$= -\left(x_1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_1 - y_1 \mathbf{a}_2 + \left(z_1 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-a\left(x_1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_1 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c\left(z_1 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8c)	C I
$\mathbf{B}_3$	$= -x_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + \left(y_1 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_2 - \left(z_1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-ax_1 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + b\left(y_1 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c\left(z_1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8c)	C I
$\mathbf{B}_4$	$= \left(x_1 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_1 - \left(y_1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_2 - z_1 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$a\left(x_1 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - b\left(y_1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_1 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8c)	C I
$\mathbf{B}_5$	$= -x_1 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_1 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_1 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-ax_1 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_1 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_1 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8c)	C I
$\mathbf{B}_6$	$= \left(x_1 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_1 + y_1 \mathbf{a}_2 - \left(z_1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$a\left(x_1 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_1 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c\left(z_1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8c)	C I
$\mathbf{B}_7$	$= x_1 \mathbf{a}_1 - \left(y_1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_2 + \left(z_1 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$ax_1 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - b\left(y_1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c\left(z_1 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8c)	C I
$\mathbf{B}_8$	$= -\left(x_1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_1 + \left(y_1 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_2 + z_1 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-a\left(x_1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + b\left(y_1 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_1 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8c)	C I
$\mathbf{B}_9$	$= x_2 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + z_2 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$ax_2 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_2 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_2 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8c)	N I
$\mathbf{B}_{10}$	$= -\left(x_2 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_1 - y_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + \left(z_2 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-a\left(x_2 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_2 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c\left(z_2 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8c)	N I
$\mathbf{B}_{11}$	$= -x_2 \mathbf{a}_1 + \left(y_2 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_2 - \left(z_2 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-ax_2 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + b\left(y_2 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c\left(z_2 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8c)	N I
$\mathbf{B}_{12}$	$= \left(x_2 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_1 - \left(y_2 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_2 - z_2 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$a\left(x_2 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - b\left(y_2 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_2 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8c)	N I
$\mathbf{B}_{13}$	$= -x_2 \mathbf{a}_1 - y_2 \mathbf{a}_2 - z_2 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-ax_2 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - by_2 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_2 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8c)	N I
$\mathbf{B}_{14}$	$= \left(x_2 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_1 + y_2 \mathbf{a}_2 - \left(z_2 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$a\left(x_2 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + by_2 \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c\left(z_2 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8c)	N I
$\mathbf{B}_{15}$	$= x_2 \mathbf{a}_1 - \left(y_2 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_2 + \left(z_2 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$ax_2 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - b\left(y_2 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c\left(z_2 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8c)	N I
$\mathbf{B}_{16}$	$= -\left(x_2 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_1 + \left(y_2 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbf{a}_2 + z_2 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-a\left(x_2 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + b\left(y_2 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_2 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(8c)	N I

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