

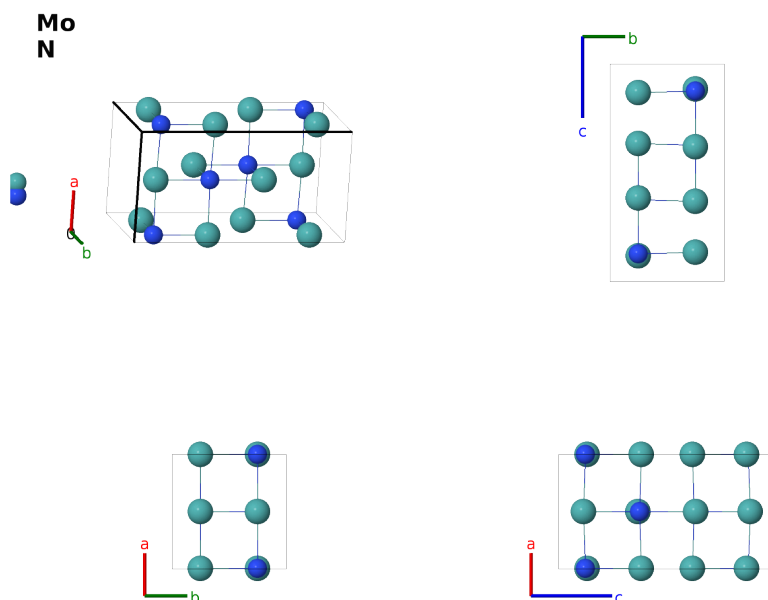
β -Mo₂N_{1-x} Structure: A2B_tI12_141_e_a-003

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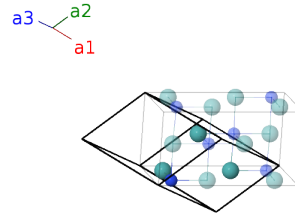
Prototype	Mo ₂ N
AFLOW prototype label	A2B_tI12_141_e_a-003
ICSD	30593
CCDC	1604846
Pearson symbol	tI12
Space group number	141
Space group symbol	$I4_1/amd$
AFLOW prototype command	<code>aflow --proto=A2B_tI12_141_e_a-003 --params=a, c/a, z₂</code>

- Mo₂N_{1-x} is found in three forms (Jehn, 1978; Jauberteau, 2015):
 - In α -Mo₂N_{1-x} the molybdenum atoms retain their body-centered cubic (bcc) structure with nitrogen absorbed on random sites.

- The ground state $\beta\text{-Mo}_2\text{N}_{1-x}$ is this tetragonal structure, and
- $\gamma\text{-Mo}_2\text{N}_{1\pm x}$ or $\text{Mo}_2\text{N}_{2-x}$ is in the rock salt (*B1*) structure with the nitrogen atoms randomly distributed.
- The transition temperature between the β and γ structures is about 850°C when $x = 0.286$ and drops to about 400°C when $x = 0.34$ (Ettmayer, 1970).
- In $\beta\text{-Mo}_2\text{N}_{1-x}$ the nitrogen atoms randomly occupy the (4a) Wyckoff sites.
- (Ettmayer, 1970) gives the atomic positions in setting 1 of space group $I4_1/amd$ #141. AFLOW transforms this to the standard setting 2.
- Anatase TiO_2 ($C5$), $\alpha\text{-ThSi}_2$ (C_c), and $\beta\text{-Mo}_2\text{N}$ share the same AFLOW prototype label, A2B_tI12_141_e.a. The structures are generated by the same symmetry operations with different sets of parameters (`--params`) specified in their corresponding CIF files.

Body-centered Tetragonal primitive vectors

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{a}_1 &= -\frac{1}{2}a\hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{2}a\hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{1}{2}c\hat{\mathbf{z}} \\ \mathbf{a}_2 &= \frac{1}{2}a\hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{1}{2}a\hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{1}{2}c\hat{\mathbf{z}} \\ \mathbf{a}_3 &= \frac{1}{2}a\hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{2}a\hat{\mathbf{y}} - \frac{1}{2}c\hat{\mathbf{z}}\end{aligned}$$



Basis vectors

	Lattice coordinates		Cartesian coordinates		Wyckoff position	Atom type
$\mathbf{B}_1$	$= \frac{7}{8}\mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{8}\mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{3}{4}\mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{3}{4}a\hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{1}{8}c\hat{\mathbf{z}}$		(4a)	N I
$\mathbf{B}_2$	$= \frac{1}{8}\mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{7}{8}\mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{1}{4}\mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a\hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{1}{4}a\hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{3}{8}c\hat{\mathbf{z}}$		(4a)	N I
$\mathbf{B}_3$	$= (z_2 + \frac{1}{4})\mathbf{a}_1 + z_2\mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{1}{4}\mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{4}a\hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_2\hat{\mathbf{z}}$		(8e)	Mo I
$\mathbf{B}_4$	$= z_2\mathbf{a}_1 + (z_2 + \frac{1}{4})\mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{3}{4}\mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a\hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4}a\hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_2 - \frac{1}{4})\hat{\mathbf{z}}$		(8e)	Mo I
$\mathbf{B}_5$	$= -(z_2 - \frac{3}{4})\mathbf{a}_1 - z_2\mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{3}{4}\mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{3}{4}a\hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_2\hat{\mathbf{z}}$		(8e)	Mo I
$\mathbf{B}_6$	$= -z_2\mathbf{a}_1 - (z_2 - \frac{3}{4})\mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{1}{4}\mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$\frac{1}{2}a\hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{1}{4}a\hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_2 - \frac{1}{4})\hat{\mathbf{z}}$		(8e)	Mo I

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