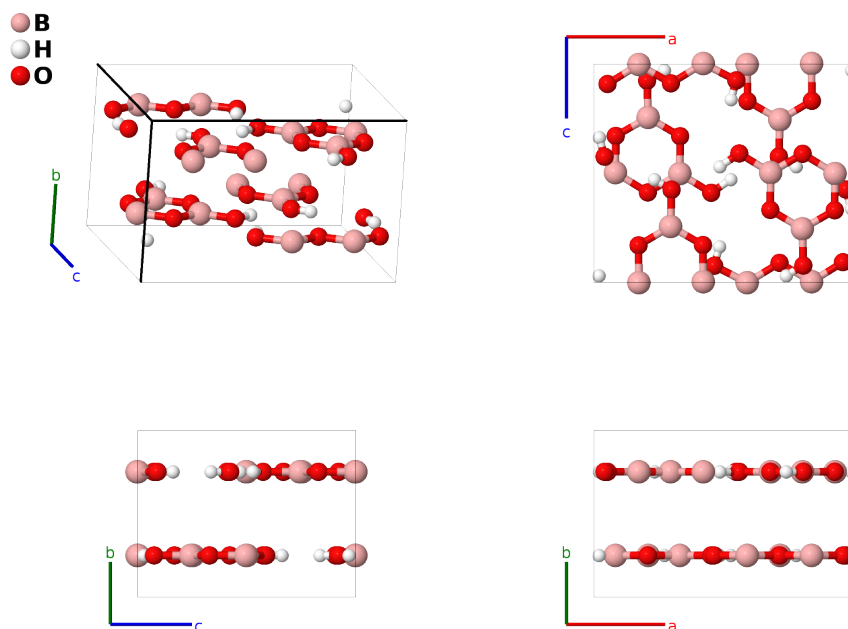


α -HBO₂ (orthorhombic) Structure: ABC2_oP48_62_3c_3c_6c-001

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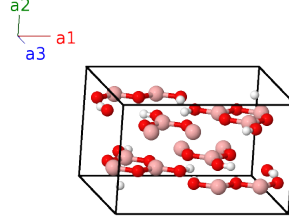
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- Metaboric acid, HBO₂, is found in three forms (Kracke, 1938):
 - orthorhombic α -HBO₂, also known as HBO₂ I (this structure),
 - monoclinic β -HBO₂, also known as HBO₂ II, and
 - cubic γ -HBO₂, also known as HBO₂ III.
- The structures are named in order of stability, although all can exist at room temperature.

- (Peters, 1980) give the structure of α -HBO₂ in the $Pbnm$ setting of space group #62. We used FINDSYM to transform this to the standard $Pnma$ setting.

Simple Orthorhombic primitive vectors

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{a}_1 &= a \hat{\mathbf{x}} \\ \mathbf{a}_2 &= b \hat{\mathbf{y}} \\ \mathbf{a}_3 &= c \hat{\mathbf{z}}\end{aligned}$$



Basis vectors

	Lattice coordinates		Cartesian coordinates	Wyckoff position	Atom type
\mathbf{B}_1	$= x_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 + z_1 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$ax_1 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4}b \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_1 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4c)	B I
\mathbf{B}_2	$= -(x_1 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_1 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-a(x_1 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{3}{4}b \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_1 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4c)	B I
\mathbf{B}_3	$= -x_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 - z_1 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-ax_1 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{3}{4}b \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_1 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4c)	B I
\mathbf{B}_4	$= (x_1 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_1 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$a(x_1 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4}b \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_1 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4c)	B I
\mathbf{B}_5	$= x_2 \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 + z_2 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$ax_2 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4}b \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_2 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4c)	B II
\mathbf{B}_6	$= -(x_2 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-a(x_2 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{3}{4}b \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4c)	B II
\mathbf{B}_7	$= -x_2 \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 - z_2 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-ax_2 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{3}{4}b \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_2 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4c)	B II
\mathbf{B}_8	$= (x_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_2 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$a(x_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4}b \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_2 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4c)	B II
\mathbf{B}_9	$= x_3 \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 + z_3 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$ax_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4}b \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4c)	B III
\mathbf{B}_{10}	$= -(x_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-a(x_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{3}{4}b \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4c)	B III
\mathbf{B}_{11}	$= -x_3 \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 - z_3 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-ax_3 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{3}{4}b \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_3 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4c)	B III
\mathbf{B}_{12}	$= (x_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$a(x_3 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4}b \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_3 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4c)	B III
\mathbf{B}_{13}	$= x_4 \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 + z_4 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$ax_4 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4}b \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_4 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4c)	H I
\mathbf{B}_{14}	$= -(x_4 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-a(x_4 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{3}{4}b \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4c)	H I
\mathbf{B}_{15}	$= -x_4 \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 - z_4 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-ax_4 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{3}{4}b \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_4 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4c)	H I
\mathbf{B}_{16}	$= (x_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_4 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$a(x_4 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4}b \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_4 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4c)	H I
\mathbf{B}_{17}	$= x_5 \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 + z_5 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$ax_5 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4}b \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_5 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4c)	H II
\mathbf{B}_{18}	$= -(x_5 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-a(x_5 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{3}{4}b \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4c)	H II
\mathbf{B}_{19}	$= -x_5 \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 - z_5 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-ax_5 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{3}{4}b \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_5 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4c)	H II
\mathbf{B}_{20}	$= (x_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_5 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$a(x_5 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4}b \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_5 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4c)	H II
\mathbf{B}_{21}	$= x_6 \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 + z_6 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$ax_6 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4}b \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_6 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4c)	H III
\mathbf{B}_{22}	$= -(x_6 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_6 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-a(x_6 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{3}{4}b \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_6 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4c)	H III
\mathbf{B}_{23}	$= -x_6 \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 - z_6 \mathbf{a}_3$	$=$	$-ax_6 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{3}{4}b \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_6 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$	(4c)	H III

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{B}_{24} &= (x_6 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_6 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 = a(x_6 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_6 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4c) & \text{H III} \\
\mathbf{B}_{25} &= x_7 \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 + z_7 \mathbf{a}_3 = ax_7 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_7 \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4c) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{26} &= -(x_7 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_7 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 = -a(x_7 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{3}{4} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_7 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4c) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{27} &= -x_7 \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 - z_7 \mathbf{a}_3 = -ax_7 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{3}{4} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_7 \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4c) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{28} &= (x_7 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_7 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 = a(x_7 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_7 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4c) & \text{O I} \\
\mathbf{B}_{29} &= x_8 \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 + z_8 \mathbf{a}_3 = ax_8 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_8 \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4c) & \text{O II} \\
\mathbf{B}_{30} &= -(x_8 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_8 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 = -a(x_8 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{3}{4} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_8 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4c) & \text{O II} \\
\mathbf{B}_{31} &= -x_8 \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 - z_8 \mathbf{a}_3 = -ax_8 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{3}{4} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_8 \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4c) & \text{O II} \\
\mathbf{B}_{32} &= (x_8 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_8 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 = a(x_8 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_8 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4c) & \text{O II} \\
\mathbf{B}_{33} &= x_9 \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 + z_9 \mathbf{a}_3 = ax_9 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_9 \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4c) & \text{O III} \\
\mathbf{B}_{34} &= -(x_9 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_9 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 = -a(x_9 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{3}{4} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_9 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4c) & \text{O III} \\
\mathbf{B}_{35} &= -x_9 \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 - z_9 \mathbf{a}_3 = -ax_9 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{3}{4} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_9 \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4c) & \text{O III} \\
\mathbf{B}_{36} &= (x_9 + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_9 - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 = a(x_9 + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_9 - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4c) & \text{O III} \\
\mathbf{B}_{37} &= x_{10} \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 + z_{10} \mathbf{a}_3 = ax_{10} \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_{10} \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4c) & \text{O IV} \\
\mathbf{B}_{38} &= -(x_{10} - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_{10} + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 = -a(x_{10} - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{3}{4} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_{10} + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4c) & \text{O IV} \\
\mathbf{B}_{39} &= -x_{10} \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 - z_{10} \mathbf{a}_3 = -ax_{10} \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{3}{4} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_{10} \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4c) & \text{O IV} \\
\mathbf{B}_{40} &= (x_{10} + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_{10} - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 = a(x_{10} + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_{10} - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4c) & \text{O IV} \\
\mathbf{B}_{41} &= x_{11} \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 + z_{11} \mathbf{a}_3 = ax_{11} \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_{11} \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4c) & \text{O V} \\
\mathbf{B}_{42} &= -(x_{11} - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_{11} + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 = -a(x_{11} - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{3}{4} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_{11} + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4c) & \text{O V} \\
\mathbf{B}_{43} &= -x_{11} \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 - z_{11} \mathbf{a}_3 = -ax_{11} \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{3}{4} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_{11} \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4c) & \text{O V} \\
\mathbf{B}_{44} &= (x_{11} + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_{11} - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 = a(x_{11} + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_{11} - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4c) & \text{O V} \\
\mathbf{B}_{45} &= x_{12} \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 + z_{12} \mathbf{a}_3 = ax_{12} \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} + cz_{12} \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4c) & \text{O VI} \\
\mathbf{B}_{46} &= -(x_{12} - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 + (z_{12} + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 = -a(x_{12} - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{3}{4} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} + c(z_{12} + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4c) & \text{O VI} \\
\mathbf{B}_{47} &= -x_{12} \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 - z_{12} \mathbf{a}_3 = -ax_{12} \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{3}{4} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} - cz_{12} \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4c) & \text{O VI} \\
\mathbf{B}_{48} &= (x_{12} + \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{a}_2 - (z_{12} - \frac{1}{2}) \mathbf{a}_3 = a(x_{12} + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{4} b \hat{\mathbf{y}} - c(z_{12} - \frac{1}{2}) \hat{\mathbf{z}} & (4c) & \text{O VI}
\end{aligned}$$

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