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Report: A symmetrical, hydrogen bonded low molecular weight molecule N,N'-1,2-ethanediyl-bis(6-hydroxyhexanamide), either crystallized from the melt or from superheated water, is examined from a structural point of view. Electron exchange between hydrogen bonded motifs on one hand and conformational changes in the aliphatic sequences on the other, govern the thermally triggered crystalline transitions in correspondence to nylons. However, limited conformations of the short central diamine methylene moieties induce a rather peculiar triclinic crystalline structure with potential existence of intersheet hydrogen bonding. Crystallization from superheated water entails remarkable differences in the physical behavior. A novel crystalline structure, where the influence of the aliphatic diamine segment is suppressed, transforms via sequential temperature cycles gradually into another crystal, in which the hydroxylic protons seem to participate in the unit cell. Nevertheless, the role of particular water molecules, either strengthening or weakening hydrogen bonding, remains unambiguous.



Figure 1: Chemical structure of N,N'-1,2-ethanediyl-bis(6-hydroxy-hexanamide) with two centrally positioned amide moieties and two hydroxylic end groups.



Figure 2: DSC thermogram of melt crystallized EDHA. The tables present the transition temperatures and the corresponding enthalpies



Figure 3: Structural changes by time resolved WAXD as EDHA was cooled from the melt at 10 °C/min. Diffraction images at representative temperatures, (a), (b) and (c), in which the projected length (001) and the interchain (010/011) and intersheet (100/110) reflections are labeled. Careful analysis of the reflections as function of temperature (d), resulted in the selection of representative diffraction patterns that were used for powder indexing, where the diamonds and lines represent the experimental and simulated patterns respectively (e). As such, the variations of the interchain and intersheet spacings could be followed as function of temperature (f).



Figure 4: Structural changes in water crystallized EDHA at 95 °C on heating (a) and two different crystalline rearrangements (b) of which the first transition results in a novel crystal with a diffraction pattern closely matching the subtracted pattern in figure (c). Here, correlations between the experimental (diamonds) and simulated (lines) diffraction patterns, after powder indexing and refinement, are presented.

Table 1: Reflections and unit cell parameters of melt crystallized EDHA in its three crystalline forms

temperature	system	(010)	(100)	(011)	(110)	а	b	С	α	β	γ	V
°C		nm	nm	nm	nm	nm	nm	nm	0	0	0	nm ³
125	triclinic	0.449	0.437	0.416	0.407	0.475	0.483	1.96	93.2	98.3	68.2	0.414
55	triclinic	0.440	0.416	0.404	0.377	0.456	0.482	2.02	102	77.7	72.7	0.396
5	triclinic	0.452	0.406	0.438	-	0.432	0.478	1.91	90.4	92.4	110	0.372

Table 2: Reflections and unit cell parameters of water crystallized EDHA prior¹ and after two sequential temperature cycles³

temperature	system	(010)	(100)	(011)	(110)	а	b	С	α	β	γ	V
°C		nm	nm	nm	nm	nm	nm	nm	0	0	٥	nm ³
5^{1} 125 ¹ 5 ³	triclinic triclinic triclinic	0.432 0.427 0.432	0.412 0.417 0.418	0.400 0.410 0.406	0.383 0.387 0.378	0.469 0.481 0.470	0.497 0.478 0.482	1.96 2.09 1.99	109 102 106	107 108 107	63.2 63.9 65.2	0.379 0.407 0.385