

Report on HC 4658

Pressure-induced condensation of organic anhydrides

Experimental

High-pressure experiments were performed using a membrane-driven diamond-anvil cell (DAC).¹ Three experiments were performed:

1. Two polymorphs of 2,3-diphenyl maleic acid anhydride (α -DPMA and β -DPMA)
2. Dimethylmaleic dianhydride
3. Maleic anhydride

were placed separately inside the pre-indented steel gaskets (Fig. S1). Subsequently, the DAC was filled with helium as a hydrostatic pressure transmitting medium. Pressure was calibrated using a ruby fluorescence method.^{2,3} In situ high-pressure single-crystal synchrotron X-ray diffraction experiments were performed at beamline ID15B at the European Synchrotron Radiation Facility in Grenoble (France). A collimated monochromatic beam ($\lambda = 0.41077 \text{ \AA}$) was used. The data collection strategy was a single ω -scan $\pm 32^\circ$. The CrysAlisPro software⁴ was utilized for collecting diffraction data and their reduction. The crystal structures were solved with program Shelxt⁵ and refined by least-squares with Shelxl⁶ by using Olex2 software.⁷ Structural drawings were prepared using Mercury program.⁸ Herein only processed and analysed data for DPMA will be presented. Preliminary studies on maleic anhydride proved an existence of a phase transition (in contrary to literature reports). Dimethylmaleic anhydride was stable up to 6 GPa, without a phase transition.

Results and discussion

As a result of single-crystal synchrotron X-ray diffraction measurements, the high-pressure crystal structure of α -DPMA and β -DPMA has been determined up to 12.29 GPa. The compressibility plots of α - and β -DPMA are shown in Figure 1. Unit-cell parameters are presented in Table 1 and Table 2.

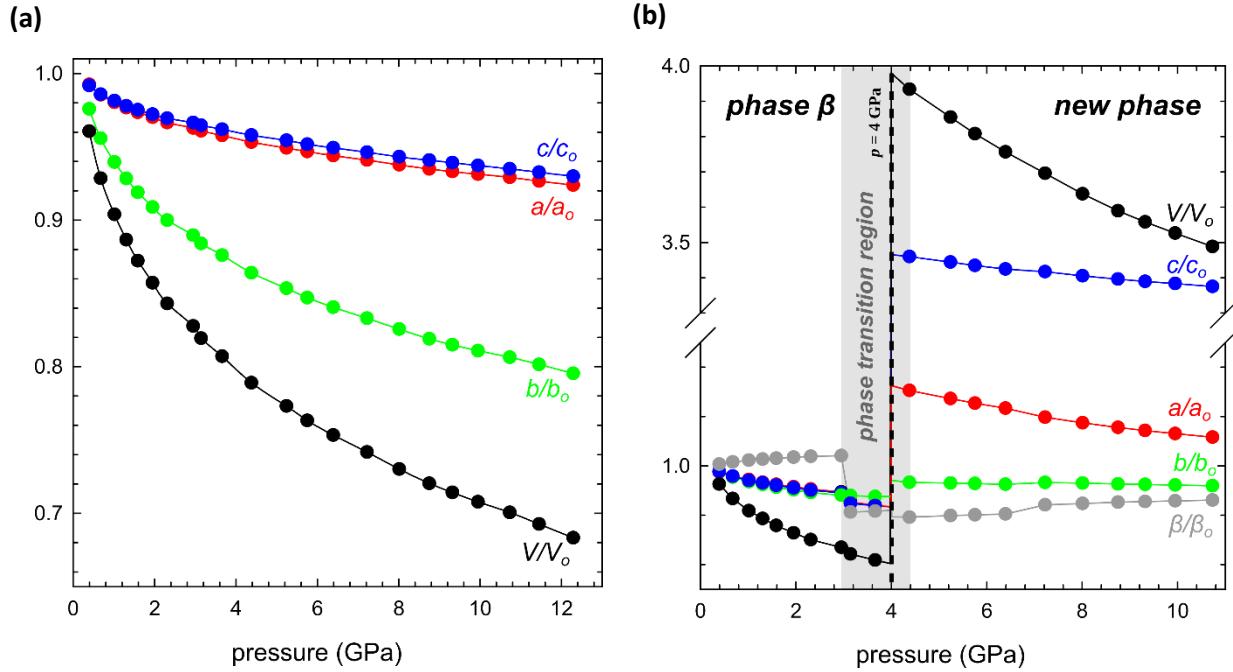


Figure 1. Compression of the unit-cell parameters with increasing pressure for (a) α -DPMA; and (b) β -DPMA, in relation to the average unit-cell dimensions (a_o , b_o , c_o , V_o) at atmospheric pressure. The estimated standard deviations (ESDs) are smaller than the symbols.

Table 1. Selected crystallographic data of α -DPMA with increasing pressure.

pressure (GPa)	a (Å)	b (Å)	c (Å)	V (Å ³)	Z/Z'
0.39	18.8413(19)	13.016(3)	19.5156(19)	4786.1(13)	16/2
0.68	18.7082(13)	12.748(2)	19.3964(13)	4625.8(9)	16/2
1.01	18.6090(14)	12.532(2)	19.3103(13)	4503.2(9)	16/2
1.30	18.5396(12)	12.383(2)	19.2418(12)	4417.4(8)	16/2
1.59	18.4805(13)	12.256(2)	19.1882(12)	4346.1(8)	16/2
1.95	18.4169(10)	12.1227(16)	19.1295(9)	4270.9(6)	16/2
2.31	18.3470(10)	12.0029(17)	19.0756(10)	4200.8(7)	16/2
2.95	18.2778(11)	11.8657(17)	19.0166(10)	4124.3(7)	16/2
3.14	18.2406(9)	11.7915(14)	18.9819(8)	4082.7(6)	16/2
3.66	18.1815(9)	11.6848(15)	18.9273(9)	4021.1(6)	16/2
4.38	18.0953(9)	11.5249(14)	18.8492(8)	3930.9(5)	16/2
5.24	18.0189(10)	11.3833(17)	18.7789(8)	3851.8(6)	16/2
5.75	17.9722(12)	11.2989(14)	18.7274(9)	3802.9(6)	16/2
6.39	17.9207(9)	11.2118(14)	18.6787(8)	3753.0(5)	16/2
7.22	17.8624(9)	11.1108(14)	18.6195(9)	3695.3(5)	16/2
8.01	17.8005(8)	11.0119(13)	18.5584(8)	3637.8(5)	16/2
8.75	17.7483(7)	10.9243(11)	18.5124(7)	3589.3(4)	16/2
9.32	17.7138(8)	10.8699(11)	18.4801(7)	3558.3(4)	16/2
9.95	17.6800(8)	10.8161(10)	18.4417(6)	3526.6(4)	16/2

10.73	17.6398(7)	10.7553(10)	18.3977(7)	3490.4(4)	16/2
11.45	17.5910(7)	10.6903(11)	18.3509(7)	3450.9(4)	16/2
12.29	17.5388(7)	10.6084(10)	18.2975(7)	3404.4(4)	16/2

Table 2. Selected crystallographic data of β -DPMA with increasing pressure.

pressure (GPa)	<i>a</i> (Å)	<i>b</i> (Å)	<i>c</i> (Å)	β (°)	<i>V</i> (Å ³)	Z/Z'
0.39	15.042(9)	5.8818(4)	13.7004(11)	101.96(2)	1185.8(7)	4/1
0.68	14.916(6)	5.8175(3)	13.5664(8)	102.405(17)	1149.7(5)	4/1
1.01	14.810(6)	5.7628(3)	13.4467(8)	102.772(16)	1119.3(5)	4/1
1.30	14.724(6)	5.7299(3)	13.3800(8)	102.982(18)	1100.0(5)	4/1
1.59	14.661(5)	5.6974(2)	13.3088(8)	103.181(16)	1082.4(4)	4/1
1.95	14.587(5)	5.6643(2)	13.2382(8)	103.385(16)	1064.1(4)	4/1
2.31	14.521(5)	5.6322(2)	13.1708(8)	103.552(14)	1047.2(3)	4/1
2.95	14.429(5)	5.5996(2)	13.0993(7)	103.725(15)	1028.2(3)	4/1
3.14	14.120(5)	5.5974(3)	12.8042(6)	92.088(12)	1011.3(4)	4/1
3.66	14.020(5)	5.5844(3)	12.7370(8)	92.283(13)	996.4(3)	4/1
4.38	17.562(3)	5.7546(2)	47.943(6)	91.025(14)	4844.3(9)	20/5
5.24	17.3110(15)	5.74710(10)	47.729(4)	91.377(9)	4747.1(6)	20/5
5.75	17.1698(15)	5.74040(10)	47.593(4)	91.530(9)	4689.2(6)	20/5
6.39	17.0129(15)	5.73290(10)	47.452(3)	91.719(8)	4626.1(5)	20/5
7.22	16.7367(18)	5.75420(10)	47.350(4)	93.600(10)	4551.1(6)	20/5
8.01	16.5598(14)	5.74610(10)	47.185(3)	93.865(8)	4479.7(5)	20/5
8.75	16.4195(14)	5.73560(10)	47.060(3)	94.142(8)	4420.4(5)	20/5
9.32	16.3257(14)	5.72990(10)	46.969(3)	94.256(8)	4381.6(5)	20/5
9.95	16.2293(14)	5.72360(10)	46.885(3)	94.397(9)	4342.3(5)	20/5
10.73	16.1208(12)	5.71490(10)	46.772(3)	94.570(7)	4295.4(4)	20/5

As previously reported, the α -polymorph crystallizes in the orthorhombic space group *Pbca* with two symmetry independent molecules ($Z' = 2$).⁹ The structure is composed of alternating layers A and B , parallel to the (010) plane (Fig. S2). There are eight A and eight B molecules in the unit cell. For α -DPMA, up to 12.29 GPa, we did not observe a phase transition. The α -DPMA crystal is most compressed along [y], while the compression of the crystal along [x] and [z] are similar (Fig. 1a). This can also be seen in the projections of the unit-cell (Fig. 2); there are free spaces along the b-axis that allow the greatest compression in that direction.

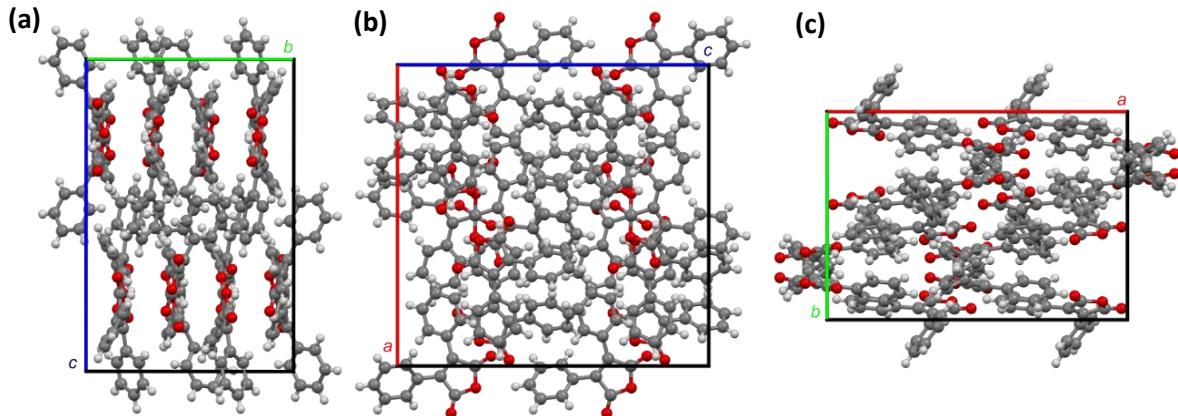


Figure 2. Arrangements of α -DPMA molecules in the unit-cell along direction: (a) [100]; (b) [010]; and (c) [001], at 0.394 GPa.

β -DPMA crystallizes in the monoclinic space group $P2_1/c$ with one symmetry-independent molecule in the unit-cell ($Z' = 1$). Initially, the compression of the crystal in all three directions is similar. Between 3.70 and 4.35 GPa, it undergoes a phase transition. Interestingly, at approximately 3 GPa we observed a sudden decrease in the β -angle, while the other parameters do not change significantly. This point starts the phase transition region (Fig. 1b). The transition results in a more than 3-fold extension of the c-edge, and an almost 5-fold increase of the unit-cell volume. The number of independent molecules (Z') increases from 1 to 5 (Fig. S3). The space group remains the same, that is $P2_1/c$. Between pressures 6.39 and 7.22 GPa, there is also a significant increase in β -angle with an abnormal b-axis elongation. This is related to the change in the packing of molecules in a unit cell and an increase in topological connectivity. Above 7.22 GPa, the hydrogen bond chains become more branched.

In α -DPMA intermolecular carbonyl-carbonyl ($C=O \cdots C=O$) interactions are observed, but are not found in β -DPMA (Fig. 3). Previous studies have shown that carbonyl-carbonyl interactions can not only control the geometries of small molecules but also play a significant role in determining the three dimensional structures of proteins, polyesters, and peptides.^{10–14} $C=O \cdots C=O$ interaction is characterized by a short $O \cdots C$ distance of less than 3.22 Å (sum of van der Waals radii of carbon and oxygen atoms).¹⁵ As the pressure increases, the $CO \cdots CO$ interactions get stronger, initially more intense and then progressively weaker (Fig. 3b). In α -DPMA, we have identified a structural motif in which one carbonyl group is located above other carbonyl group in an “L- shape” with $C=O \cdots C=O$ dihedral angles (T) close to 90° .¹⁶ There is one-sided interaction where one carbonyl donates and the other carbonyl accepts, only one of the pair of $O \cdots C$ distance is smaller than 3.22 Å (d_1 and d_3).

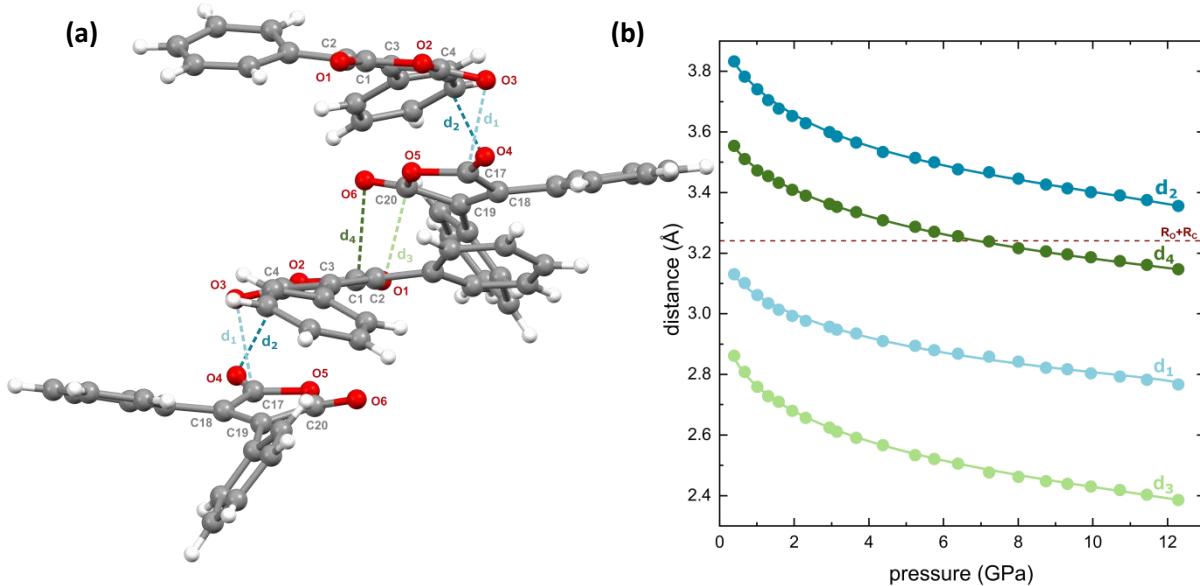


Figure 3. (a) Four α -DPMA molecules with carbonyl-carbonyl (CO...CO) interactions; (b) closest C=O...C=O distances plotted as a function of pressure. The ESDs are smaller than the plotted symbols. The horizontal dashed line indicates the sums of van der Waals radii.¹⁵

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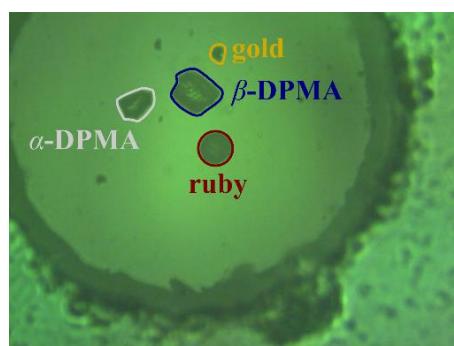


Figure S1. DAC chamber during measurement at 0.394 GPa.

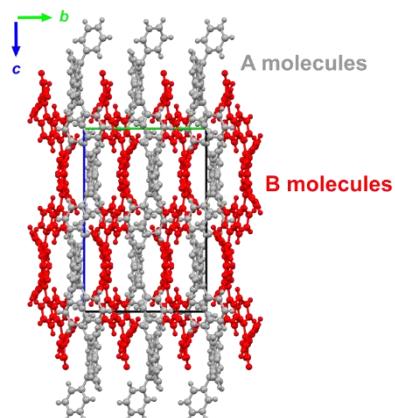


Figure S2. Arrangement of alternating layers of molecules A and B in the α -DPMA crystal in the direction [100].

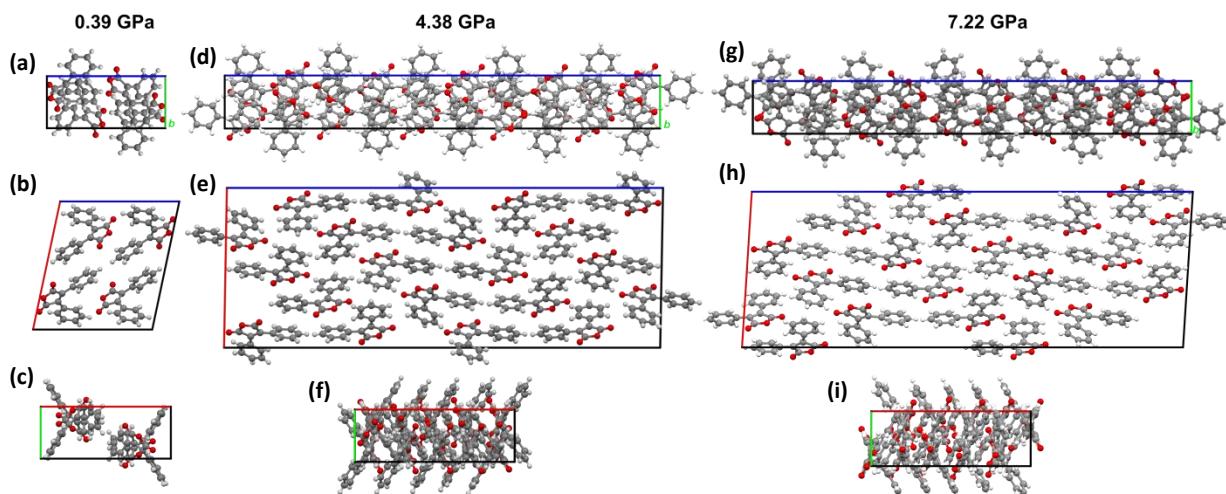


Figure S3. Arrangements of β -DPMA molecules in the unit-cell at 0.394 GPa along direction: (a) [100]; (b) [001]; and (c) [001]; at 4.38 GPa along: (d) [100]; (e) [010]; and (f) [001] and at 7.22 GPa along (g) [100]; (h) [010]; and (i) [001].

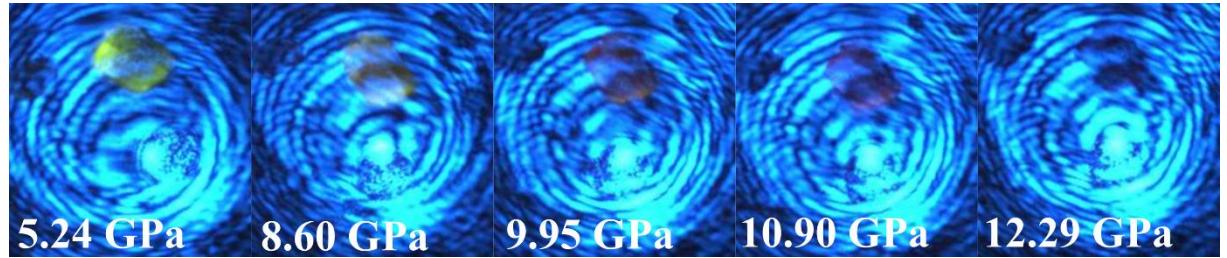


Figure S4. β -DPMA in DAC chamber during the pressure measurements.

Table S1. Compressibility related to crystallographic axes calculated for α -DPMA with Birch-Murnaghan Coefficients in range between 0.394 GPa – 12.29 GPa.

Axes	$K(\text{TPa}^{-1})$	$\sigma K(\text{TPa}^{-1})$	Direction			Empirical parameters			
			a	b	c	ε_0	λ	P_c	ν
X_1	11.4072	0.0646	0.0000	-1.0000	0.0000	1.9448e-01	-2.2679e-01	-0.0853	0.2046
X_2	4.5252	0.0205	-1.0000	0.0000	0.0000	1.8227e-02	-3.2488e-02	0.1572	0.3948
X_3	4.2038	0.0203	0.0000	0.0000	1.0000	5.2632e-03	-1.9316e-02	0.3200	0.5038
V	23.3844	2.0035							

Birch-Murnaghan Coefficients

	$B_0 (\text{GPa})$	$\sigma B_0 (\text{GPa})$	$V_0 (\text{\AA}^3)$	$\sigma V_0 (\text{\AA}^3)$	B'	$\sigma B'$	$P_c (\text{GPa})$
2 nd	20.0738	0.8492	4660.0064	31.0035	4	n/a	0
3 rd	6.7744	0.9413	4957.6126	41.4243	10.1028	0.9582	0

Table S2. Compressibility related to crystallographic axes calculated for β -DPMA with Birch-Murnaghan Coefficients in range between 0.394 GPa - 3.659 GPa.

Axes	$K(\text{TPa}^{-1})$	$\sigma K(\text{TPa}^{-1})$	Direction			Empirical parameters			
			a	b	c	ε_0	λ	P_c	ν
X_1	47.7825	10.5210	0.6256	0.0000	0.7802	-7.9386e-03	-1.5379e-02	0.3940	1.8214
X_2	10.5029	0.5754	0.0000	-1.0000	0.0000	1.2888e+01	-1.2908e+01	-0.0410	0.0019
X_3	-9.0328	13.5714	0.7421	0.0000	-0.6703	-1.7238e-02	1.5261e-04	0.3940	4.8480
V	47.9033	4.1015							

Birch-Murnaghan Coefficients

	$B_0 (\text{GPa})$	$\sigma B_0 (\text{GPa})$	$V_0 (\text{\AA}^3)$	$\sigma V_0 (\text{\AA}^3)$	B'	$\sigma B'$	$P_c (\text{GPa})$
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2nd	12.8585	0.7222	1204.1769	7.1979	4	n/a	0
3rd	5.9240	3.0486	1243.1825	27.7639	10.7501	5.0601	0

Table S3. Compressibility related to crystallographic axes calculated for a new phase of β -DPMA with Birch-Murnaghan Coefficients in range between 4.38 GPa – 10.73 GPa.

Axes	$K(\text{TPa}^{-1})$	$\sigma K(\text{TPa}^{-1})$	Direction			Empirical parameters			
			a	b	c	ε_0	λ	P_c	ν
X_1	13.4378	1.2935	-0.9850	0.0000	-0.1723	6.4282e+00	-6.2300e+00	-0.5672	0.0193
X_2	1.5880	0.8209	0.7860	0.0000	-0.6183	1.0291e-02	-1.2781e-06	-24.003	2.7520
X_3	1.1345	0.9193	0.0000	1.0000	0.0000	-1.6164e-03	-3.6831e-06	4.3800	3.9534
V	18.0251	0.7245							

Birch-Murnaghan Coefficients

	$B_0 (\text{GPa})$	$\sigma B_0 (\text{GPa})$	$V_0 (\text{\AA}^3)$	$\sigma V_0 (\text{\AA}^3)$	B'	$\sigma B'$	$P_c (\text{GPa})$
2nd	56.8636	14.0598	4971.6105	107.4852	4	n/a	0
3rd	7.8839	6.4860	6049.8427	358.0922	9.1464	4.5192	0