Kristallstrukturen mit Bausteinen des CaBe $_2$ Ge $_2$ -Typs – Die Verbindungen Sm $_2$ Pt $_6$ P $_3$ und Ca $_2$ Pd $_3$ Sb $_4$

Crystal Structures with CaBe2Ge2-Type Units - The Compounds Sm2Pt6P3 and Ca2Pd3Sb4

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Single crystals of Sm₂Pt₆P₃ (a = 4.095(1), c = 45.313(9) Å) were prepared by heating the elements in a melt of NaCl/KCl at 1100 °C. The compound crystallizes with a new tetragonal type of structure ($I4_1/amd$; Z = 4) consisting of units which correspond to the CaBe₂Ge₂ type except for one significant difference: In the layer of PPt₄ tetrahedra only two of four P positions are occupied. Therefore this layer is built up by corner- instead of edge-sharing PPt₄ tetrahedra. Four of these units are stacked along [001]. Single crystals of Ca₂Pd₃Sb₄ (a = 4.506(1), c = 41.538(8) Å) were obtained by reaction of the elements at 900 °C. The crystal structure (I4/mmm; Z = 4) consists of two blocks. The first one has the composition CaPd₂Sb₃ and can be derived from the CaBe₂Ge₂ type. Both blocks alternate along [001].

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