

Vibrational Analysis of Peptides, Polypeptides, and Proteins. XXIV. Conformation of Poly(α -Aminoisobutyric Acid)

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Synopsis

Raman and polarized ir spectra have been obtained on built-up monomolecular films of poly(α -aminoisobutyric acid), and analyzed in the context of normal mode calculations on 3_{10} -, α -, and α' -helix conformations of this molecule. The average discrepancy between observed and calculated frequencies is significantly smaller for the 3_{10} -helix than for the other structures. This, together with the more satisfactory explanation of several special features of the spectra, indicates that this polypeptide adopts a 3_{10} -helix conformation in such thin films.

INTRODUCTION

Peptide units containing α -aminoisobutyric acid (AIB) residues exert significant constraints on the conformational freedom of the polypeptide backbone.¹⁻⁶ This constraint arises from the steric interactions between the two methyl groups attached to the C $^{\alpha}$ atom, resulting in restrictions on the dihedral angles of the backbone to values very close to those of right- or left-handed 3_{10} - or α -helices.

Burgess and Leach¹ have suggested an obligatory α -helical structure for poly(α -aminoisobutyric acid) (PAIB). Malcolm,^{7,8} on the basis of ir and electron-diffraction studies of oriented films of PAIB, has reported a 3_{10} -helical structure. Also, experimental work on small peptides containing AIB residues has demonstrated that the conformation of the backbone is always a right- or left-handed 3_{10} -helix.⁹⁻¹⁵ Using classical potential energy functions and energy minimization, Venkataram Prasad and Sasisekharan² have worked out the relative stabilities of α - and 3_{10} -helical structures for PAIB. Their analysis indicates the necessity for nonplanar distortion of the peptide units as observed in the crystal structures of peptides with AIB residues,⁹⁻¹⁵ and they propose a helical structure with $n = 4$ and $h = 1.5 \text{ \AA}$ (named α') as energetically more favorable than the standard 3_{10} -helix. Recently,

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Patterson et al.,³ in their conformational analysis of oligomers of AIB, have shown that the conformation is very sensitive to the covalent geometry of the residue, particularly the bond angles between the substituents on the C^α atom. Symmetrical tetrahedral geometry around C^α favors the α -helical conformation, whereas the asymmetric geometry observed in most of the crystals⁹⁻¹⁵ gives the 3_{10} -conformation as the favored structure.

Such variations among the various theoretically proposed structures prompted us to undertake a vibrational spectroscopic analysis of the structure of PAIB. With our success in deriving maximally transferrable vibrational force fields for polypeptides,¹⁶⁻²² we are now in a position to exploit the full potential of vibrational spectroscopy in determining structure in polypeptides and proteins.²³ The applicability of such techniques has already been demonstrated by some of the work reported from our laboratory.²⁴⁻³⁰

Except for brief reports by Elliot³¹ and Malcolm,⁷ there has been no attempt to analyze the ir and Raman spectra of PAIB. In this paper we report Raman and polarized ir spectra of multimonomolecular layers of PAIB and N-deuterated PAIB (PAIB-ND). Normal mode analysis was carried out using three structural models, the α -helix,³² the 3_{10} -helix,² and the α' -helix.² Since the same force field is used for the three calculations, the results distinctly show the influence of conformation on the vibrational frequencies. A comparison between the theoretical prediction and the experimental results clearly indicates that of the three structures, the 3_{10} -helix gives the best frequency fit. Thus, the vibrational analysis suggests that in such very thin films, PAIB has a 3_{10} -helical conformation.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

The polymer employed in this study was a small specimen prepared by W. E. Hanby of Courtaulds Limited and is the same as used previously.⁷ Oriented samples were prepared by first dissolving about 5 mg polymer in 0.5 mL dichloroacetic acid, purified by vacuum distillation. The solution was made up to 5 mL with chloroform (reagent grade, redistilled). Approximately 0.005 mL of the solution was spread on the surface of twice-distilled water in a Langmuir trough, forming a molecular monolayer that was then collapsed between two barriers moved across the surface. The final separation of the barriers was slightly greater than the width of the specimen plate used to remove the film. The film was removed by drawing the plate, with an up and down motion, across the surface between the barriers. This produced a specimen oriented with the polymer chains aligned parallel to the up and down motion of the plate. The specimen was dried down on the plate and the procedure was repeated until sufficient polymer had been deposited to give good spectra. Plates of barium fluoride or KRS5

were used for ir spectra and pieces of microscope slide for Raman spectroscopy. N-deuterated specimens were prepared in a similar manner by using O-deuterated dichloroacetic acid, and the monolayers were spread on dilute HCl (pH 3) to minimize exchange with hydrogen.

The ir spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer 577 or 598 spectrophotometer. The peak positions are accurate to $\pm 2 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. For polarized ir spectra a wire-grid polarizer with the specimen set at 45° to the slit of the spectrometer was used. Raman spectra were recorded on a Spex 1403 spectrometer at a resolution of $\sim 2 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. The power on the samples, at the $5145\text{-}\text{\AA}$ line of an Ar ion laser, was about 130 and 100 mW for undeuterated and deuterated specimens, respectively.

NORMAL MODE CALCULATION

Structure, Symmetry, and Selection Rules

For the normal mode calculations we used an isolated helical chain structure, since interchain interactions are expected to be very weak. The structural parameters (bond lengths, bond angles, and hydrogen bonds) and the dihedral angles ($\phi = -57.37^\circ$ and $\psi = -47.49^\circ$) for the α -helical structure were the same as those derived by Arnott and Dover³² from an x-ray diffraction refinement procedure. For the 3_{10} -helix ($n = 2.99$, $h = 2.01 \text{ \AA}$, $\phi = -45^\circ$, and $\psi = -30^\circ$) and the α' -helix ($n = 4.00$, $h = 1.48 \text{ \AA}$, $\phi = -55^\circ$, and $\psi = -60^\circ$), the structural parameters reported by Venkataram Prasad and Sasisekharan² were used. (We have chosen the structure for the 3_{10} -helix that is closest to the standard one, namely, with three residues per turn and an axial repeat of 6 \AA .³³ Although it appears not to be the lowest energy structure, the dihedral angles of the latter, viz., $\phi = -50^\circ$, $\psi = -30^\circ$,² are close enough that the vibrational frequencies are not expected to be significantly different.) The hydrogen-bonding pattern is different in the three structures, the 3_{10} -helix being of the $i + 3 \rightarrow i$ type, while the α - and α' -helices are of the $i + 4 \rightarrow i$ type. The hydrogen-bond strengths are in the order $3_{10} > \alpha > \alpha'$ (hydrogen-bond parameters for all the three helices are listed in Table I).

Except for H^a being replaced by a CH₃ group [the CH₃(2) group], the chemical residue in PAIB is the same as in poly(L-alanine), and thus,

TABLE I
Hydrogen-Bond Parameters for 3_{10} -, α -, and α' -Helices

		3_{10} -Helix	α -Helix	α' -Helix
$r(\text{H} \cdots \text{O})$	(\AA)	1.828	1.882	2.084
$r(\text{N} \cdots \text{O})$	(\AA)	2.825	2.857	3.065
$\angle (\text{NHO})$	(deg)	175.11	164.19	166.30
$\angle (\text{HNO})$	(deg)	3.15	10.34	9.27

for normal mode calculation purposes, the repeat unit has 13 atoms and 49 internal coordinates compared to 10 atoms and 39 internal coordinates in α -poly(L-alanine).²¹ The optically active modes are classified into $A(\delta = 0^\circ)$, $E_1(\delta = \theta)$, and $E_2(\delta = 2\theta)$ symmetry species, where δ is the phase difference between the motions in adjacent residues and θ is the angle of rotation per chemical residue about the helical axis; the value of θ is 120° , 99.57° , and 90° for 3_{10} , α , and α' , respectively. Since $\theta = 120^\circ$ for the 3_{10} -helix, the E_1 and E_2 species are degenerate and therefore we report only A and E_1 modes for this structure. The number of modes in each symmetry species and their optical activity for each structure are as follows: 3_{10} : $A(\text{Raman, ir}_\parallel)$ —37, $E_1(\text{Raman, ir}_\perp)$ —38; α : $A(\text{Raman, ir}_\parallel)$ —37, $E_1(\text{Raman, ir}_\perp)$ —38, $E_2(\text{Raman})$ —39; and α' : $A(\text{Raman, ir}_\parallel)$ —37, $E_1(\text{Raman, ir}_\perp)$ —38, $E_2(\text{Raman})$ —39.

Force Field

As a starting point, we transferred without change all the necessary force constants from α -poly(L-alanine),²¹ even though we recognized that the presence in PAIB of a CH_3 group in place of H^α would result in different interactions around C^α . This force field was used to compute the frequencies and their potential energy distributions (PED) for the three structural models.

In general, the fit to the experimental data was very satisfactory, with only those modes having the larger contribution from the CH_3 (2) group showing some discrepancies. Besides such discrepancies common to all the structures, a detailed comparison showed that the computed frequencies for the 3_{10} -helix were generally in better agreement with the observed values. For instance, the amide V mode observed at 694 (ir_\perp) and 680 (ir_\parallel) was predicted at 699 (E_1) and 672 (A) by the 3_{10} -helix, at 656 (E_1) and 629 (A) by the α -helix, and at 625 (E_1) and 619 (A) cm^{-1} by α' -helix. A mixed mode (CN stretch + CC_2 asymmetric stretch + CH_3 rock) observed at 1214 (R) and 1210 (ir_\parallel) was predicted at 1194 (A), 1177 (A), and 1186 (A) cm^{-1} by the 3_{10} -, α -, and α' -helices, respectively. Apart from these prominent differences, there were about 10 more cases in which, although the differences were not as large, the 3_{10} -helix gave better agreement. We therefore used the 3_{10} -helix in making slight adjustments in the force constants that influence the CC_2 [$\text{C}^\alpha(\text{CH}_3)_2$] group (these changes are essentially independent of conformation).

A total of 25 force constants (Table II) required alteration. Of these, the changes in five force constants, namely, $f(\text{CO})$, $f(\text{NH})$, $f(\text{H} \cdots \text{O})$, $f(\text{CO ob})$, and $f(\text{NH} \cdots \text{O t})$, reflect differences in hydrogen-bond geometry and strength between the 3_{10} - and α -helices. The final values of these constants were obtained by manual adjustment. For example, the unperturbed amide A (ν_A^0) mode for PAIB is at $\sim 3260 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ (see Results and Discussion), which happens to be the mean of ν_A^0 values

TABLE II
Modified Force Constants Appropriate to Poly(α -Aminoisobutyric Acid)

Force Constant	Value
$f(\text{CO})$	9.955
$f(\text{NH})$	5.752
$f(\text{H} \cdots \text{O})$	0.135
$f(\text{CO ob})$	0.687
$f(\text{NH} \cdots \text{O t})$	0.0003
$f(\text{C}^\beta \text{C}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta)$	1.181
$f(\text{C}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta \text{ t})$	0.090
$f(\text{C}^\alpha \text{C}, \text{C}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta)$	0.301
$f(\text{C}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta, \text{C}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta)$	0.100
$f(\text{NC}^\alpha, \text{C}^\beta \text{C}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta)$	0.200
$f(\text{C}^\alpha \text{C}, \text{NC}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta)$	0.100
$f(\text{C}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta(1), \text{NC}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta(2))$	0.030
$f(\text{C}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta(1), \text{CC}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta(2))$	0.030
$f(\text{C}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta, \text{C}^\beta \text{C}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta)$	0.517
$f(\text{C}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta, \text{C}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta \text{H})$	0.403
$f(\text{C}^\alpha \text{CO}, \text{CC}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta)$	0.200
$f(\text{CNC}^\alpha, \text{NC}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta)$	0.100
$f(\text{C}^\alpha \text{NH}, \text{NC}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta)$	0.050
$f(\text{NC}^\alpha \text{C}, \text{NC}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta)$	0.100
$f(\text{NC}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta, \text{C}^\beta \text{C}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta)$	-0.031
$f(\text{NC}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta, \text{NH ob})$	0.060
$f(\text{CC}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta, \text{CC}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta)$	0.100
$f(\text{CC}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta, \text{C}^\beta \text{C}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta)$	-0.031
$f(\text{C}^\beta \text{C}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta, \text{C}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta \text{H})_T$	0.100
$f(\text{C}^\beta \text{C}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta, \text{C}^\alpha \text{C}^\beta \text{H})_G$	0.010

for α - and β -poly(L-alanine).³⁴ This indicates that the hydrogen-bond strength in PAIB is intermediate between those for the α - and β -structures, which is also supported by the structural data [$r(\text{N} \cdots \text{O})$ for the β -structure is 2.731 Å²⁰]. We therefore took for the values of $f(\text{CO})$, $f(\text{NH})$, and $f(\text{H} \cdots \text{O})$ the mean of the corresponding values for the α -helical²¹ and β -sheet²⁰ structures. The remaining force constants in Table II are associated with the CC_2 group and were refined by a least-squares method. Dispersions in these force constants in the range of 0.1–0.6 average 5%. It is interesting that the force constants associated with the backbone of the chain did not require any alteration, confirming the fact that the conformations of α - and 3_{10} -helices are very close.⁴ Although the above force constants were refined for the 3_{10} -helix, they also improved the fit between theoretical and experimental values when used for α and α' in the final calculations. For a complete force field for PAIB, readers will require all the relevant force constants from our work,^{20,21} as well as the 25 constants listed in Table II of this paper. This force field has been used to compute the frequencies of the 3_{10} , α -, and α' -helical structural models for PAIB and the corresponding N-deuterated derivatives.

It should be noted that, as in our earlier work,^{18,21} transition dipole

coupling interactions were used to calculate the splittings in amide I and II modes. In the 3_{10} -helix, contributions to the A and E_1 species for amide I are -2.3 and -3.3 cm^{-1} , respectively, and for amide II, -6.6 and 5.9 cm^{-1} , respectively. In the α -helix, contributions to A, E_1 , and E_2 species for amide I are -5.5 , -7.2 , and -16.8 cm^{-1} , respectively, and for amide II, -9.6 , 6.2 , and 4.2 cm^{-1} , respectively. For the α' -helix such contributions are -0.8 , -1.3 , and -19.2 cm^{-1} , and -8.4 , 4.6 , and 6.0 cm^{-1} , respectively. Since the transition dipole parameters are the same, these variations result from the conformational differences between the three structures. The detailed results are discussed in the following section.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Poly(α -Aminoisobutyric Acid)

We present in Fig. 1 the polarized ir spectra of PAIB and PAIB-ND, and in Fig. 2 the Raman spectra of these materials—in both cases,

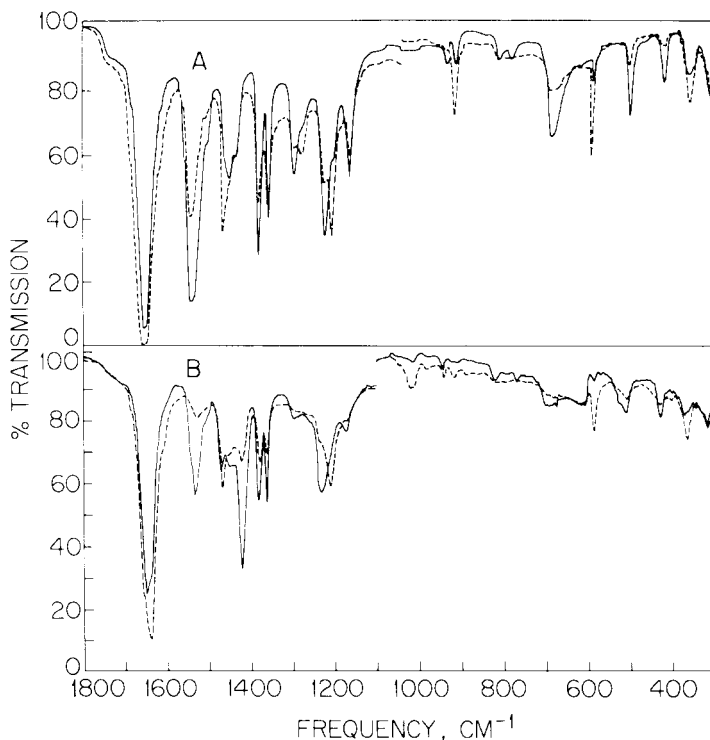


Fig. 1. Polarized ir spectra of (A) poly(α -aminoisobutyric acid) and (B) poly(α -aminoisobutyric acid-ND): Electric vector perpendicular to orientation direction (—) and electric vector parallel to orientation direction (- -).

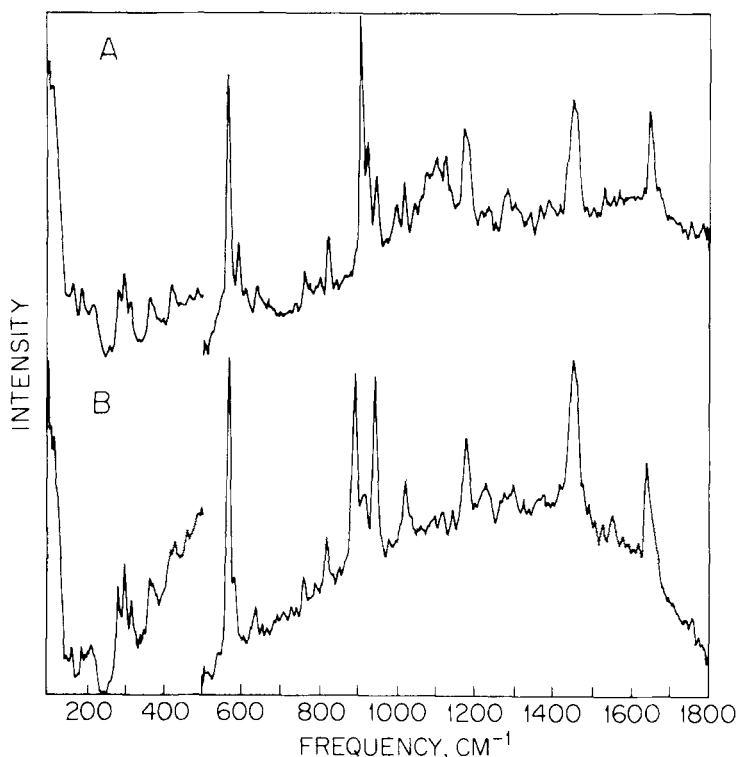


Fig. 2. Raman spectra of (A) poly(α -aminoisobutyric acid) and (B) poly(α -aminoisobutyric acid-ND).

thin films prepared by the Langmuir trough technique described above. The observed band frequencies are given in Tables III and IV, together with the calculated frequencies and PEDs of the 3_{10} , α -, and α' -helices.

The NH stretch (amide A) mode is observed at 3272 (ir_\parallel) cm^{-1} . This is lower than the values found for α -poly(L-alanine)¹⁸ (3307 cm^{-1}) and β -poly(L-alanine)³⁴ (3276 cm^{-1}), which might suggest that the hydrogen bond in PAIB is stronger than those in the other two structures. However, amide A is perturbed by Fermi resonance,^{16,34} and therefore, a meaningful conclusion can be drawn only by comparing unperturbed frequencies. The ir spectrum indicates the presence of two amide B modes (of A species, as in the case of amide A), at 3060 and 3030 cm^{-1} . (It might be noted that this is in contrast to the α -helix of poly(L-alanine), which exhibits only a single amide B mode at 3058 cm^{-1} .³⁴) The integrated area ratios of these bands to the amide A band are 0.0518 and 0.0566 , respectively, leading^{16,34} to unperturbed frequencies of $\nu_A^0 = 3262$ cm^{-1} , $\nu_B^0 = 3070$ cm^{-1} and $\nu_A^0 = 3259$ cm^{-1} , $\nu_B^0 = 3043$ cm^{-1} , respectively.

These results lead to some interesting conclusions. The value of

TABLE III
Observed and Calculated Frequencies (in cm^{-1}) of Poly(α -Aminoisobutyric Acid)

Observed ^a		Calculated ^b		Potential Energy Distribution ^c
Raman	IR	A	E ₁ E ₂	
	3260S ^d	3263 3261 3262		NH s(97) NH s(98) NH s(98)
			3263 3261 3262	NH s(97) NH s(98) NH s(98)
				NH s(98) NH s(98)
2989S	2985S	2986 2985 2986		CH ₃ (1) as2(49), CH ₃ (2) as1(35), CH ₃ (2) as2(14) CH ₃ (2) as1(46), CH ₃ (1) as2(46) CH ₃ (1) as2(50), CH ₃ (2) as1(35), CH ₃ (2) as2(14)
2998M,sh	2995M,sh		2986 2985 2986	CH ₃ (1) as2(50), CH ₃ (2) as1(35), CH ₃ (2) as2(14) CH ₃ (2) as1(47), CH ₃ (1) as2(45) CH ₃ (1) as2(50), CH ₃ (2) as1(35), CH ₃ (2) as2(14)
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2989S	2985S	2984 2984 2984		CH ₃ (1) as1(50), CH ₃ (2) as2(35), CH ₃ (2) as1(14) CH ₃ (2) as2(48), CH ₃ (1) as1(45) CH ₃ (1) as1(51), CH ₃ (2) as2(34), CH ₃ (2) as1(14)

2998M,sh	2995M,sh ₁	2984 2984 2984	CH ₃ (1) as1(52),CH ₃ (2) as2(33),CH ₃ (2) as1(14) CH ₃ (1) as1(48),CH ₃ (2) as2(45) CH ₃ (1) as1(52),CH ₃ (2) as2(34),CH ₃ (2) as1(14)
		2984 2984	CH ₃ (1) as1(46),CH ₃ (2) as2(46) CH ₃ (1) as1(50),CH ₃ (2) as2(35),CH ₃ (2) as1(14)
2989S	2985S ₁	2984 2984 2984	CH ₃ (1) as1(49),CH ₃ (2) as2(38),CH ₃ (2) as1(12) CH ₃ (1) as1(50),CH ₃ (2) as2(31),CH ₃ (2) as1(18) CH ₃ (1) as1(48),CH ₃ (2) as2(40),CH ₃ (2) as1(12)
2998M,sh	2995M,sh ₁	2984 2984 2984	CH ₃ (1) as1(47),CH ₃ (2) as2(40),CH ₃ (2) as1(12) CH ₃ (1) as1(46),CH ₃ (2) as2(33),CH ₃ (2) as1(19) CH ₃ (1) as1(47),CH ₃ (2) as2(40),CH ₃ (2) as1(12)
		2984 2984	CH ₃ (1) as1(47),CH ₃ (2) as2(33),CH ₃ (2) as1(19) CH ₃ (1) as1(49),CH ₃ (2) as2(39),CH ₃ (2) as1(12)
2989S	2985S ₁	2982 2982 2982	CH ₃ (1) as2(50),CH ₃ (2) as1(38),CH ₃ (2) as2(12) CH ₃ (1) as2(49),CH ₃ (2) as1(32),CH ₃ (2) as2(18) CH ₃ (1) as2(50),CH ₃ (2) as1(38),CH ₃ (2) as2(12)
2998M,sh	2995M,sh ₁	2982 2982 2982	CH ₃ (1) as2(49),CH ₃ (2) as1(39),CH ₃ (2) as2(11) CH ₃ (1) as2(49),CH ₃ (2) as1(31),CH ₃ (2) as2(19) CH ₃ (1) as2(49),CH ₃ (2) as1(38),CH ₃ (2) as2(12)
		2982 2982	CH ₃ (1) as2(49),CH ₃ (2) as1(31),CH ₃ (2) as2(18) CH ₃ (1) as2(50),CH ₃ (2) as1(38),CH ₃ (2) as2(11)

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Table III (continued)

Observed ^a		Calculated ^b			Potential Energy Distribution ^c
Raman	IR	A	E ₁	E ₂	
		2929			CH ₃ (2) ss(57), CH ₃ (1) ss(43)
		2929			CH ₃ (1) ss(74), CH ₃ (2) ss(25)
		2929			CH ₃ (2) ss(55), CH ₃ (1) ss(45)
			2929		CH ₃ (1) ss(73), CH ₃ (2) ss(27)
			2929		CH ₃ (2) ss(53), CH ₃ (1) ss(46)
			2929		CH ₃ (2) ss(86), CH ₃ (1) ss(13)
				2929	CH ₃ (2) ss(52), CH ₃ (1) ss(48)
				2929	CH ₃ (2) ss(70), CH ₃ (1) ss(30)
2944 VS					
2933 M, sh	2935 M ₁	2929			CH ₃ (1) ss(57), CH ₃ (2) ss(43)
		2929			CH ₃ (2) ss(74), CH ₃ (1) ss(25)
		2929			CH ₃ (1) ss(55), CH ₃ (2) ss(45)
			2929		CH ₃ (2) ss(73), CH ₃ (1) ss(27)
			2929		CH ₃ (1) ss(53), CH ₃ (2) ss(46)
			2929		CH ₃ (1) ss(86), CH ₃ (2) ss(13)
				2929	CH ₃ (2) ss(52), CH ₃ (1) ss(48)
				2929	CH ₃ (1) ss(70), CH ₃ (2) ss(30)
					CO s(79), CN s(13), C [≡] CN d(10)
		1665			CO s(81), CN s(12), C [≡] CN d(10)
		1657			CO s(81), CN s(15)
	1656 VS ₁	1665			

1647S		1661	CO s(81),CN s(13),C [≡] CN d(10)
		1655	CO s(81),CN s(12),C [≡] CN d(10)
		1665	CO s(81),CN s(14),C [≡] CN d(10)
		1646	CO s(81),CN s(12),C [≡] CN d(10)
		1648	CO s(81),CN s(14),C [≡] CN d(10)
	1545VS ₁	1547	NH ib(47),CN s(29),C [≡] C s(11),CO ib(11)
		1535	NH ib(41),CN s(32),C [≡] C s(13),CO ib(13)
		1536	NH ib(44),CN s(29),C [≡] C s(12),CO ib(12)
		1533	NH ib(48),CN s(30),CO ib(11),C [≡] C s(10)
		1514	NH ib(42),CN s(34),CO ib(13),C [≡] C s(12)
1531W		1515	NH ib(45),CN s(30),CO ib(12),C [≡] C s(12)
		1538	NH ib(41),CN s(31),C [≡] C s(13),CO ib(13)
		1546	NH ib(43),CN s(27),C [≡] C s(13),CO ib(12)
		1457	CH ₃ (1) ab1(37),CH ₃ (2) ab2(30),CH ₃ (2) ab1(12)
	1455S ₁	1457	CH ₃ (1) ab1(38),CH ₃ (2) ab2(24),CH ₃ (2) ab1(18)
		1457	CH ₃ (1) ab1(37),CH ₃ (2) ab2(23),CH ₃ (2) ab1(21)
		1456	CH ₃ (1) ab1(40),CH ₃ (2) ab2(36)
		1456	CH ₃ (1) ab1(43),CH ₃ (2) ab2(32)
		1456	CH ₃ (1) ab1(43),CH ₃ (2) ab2(31)
1457M,sh	1467S ₁	1458	CH ₃ (1) ab1(36),CH ₃ (2) ab1(22),CH ₃ (2) ab2(22)
		1457	CH ₃ (1) ab1(33),CH ₃ (2) ab1(24),CH ₃ (2) ab2(23)
		1454	CH ₃ (1) ab2(51),CH ₃ (2) ab1(24)
		1453	CH ₃ (1) ab2(54),CH ₃ (2) ab1(18),CH ₃ (2) ab2(11)
		1454	CH ₃ (1) ab2(52),CH ₃ (2) ab1(19),CH ₃ (2) ab2(12)

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Table III (continued)

Observed ^a		Calculated ^b		Potential Energy Distribution ^c
Raman	IR	A	E ₁ , E ₂	
1450S		1452		CH ₃ (2) ab1(45), CH ₃ (1) ab2(29)
		1452		CH ₃ (2) ab1(45), CH ₃ (1) ab2(23), CH ₃ (2) ab2(15)
		1453		CH ₃ (2) ab1(48), CH ₃ (1) ab2(23), CH ₃ (2) ab2(13)
1450S			1454	CH ₃ (1) ab2(64), CH ₃ (2) ab1(10), CH ₃ (2) ab2(10)
			1454	CH ₃ (1) ab2(64), CH ₃ (2) ab1(11)
				CH ₃ (1) ab2(41), CH ₃ (2) ab1(34), CH ₃ (1) ab1(13)
				CH ₃ (1) ab2(41), CH ₃ (2) ab1(30), CH ₃ (1) ab1(16)
				CH ₃ (1) ab2(51), CH ₃ (2) ab1(25), CH ₃ (1) ab1(10)
				CH ₃ (2) ab1(49), CH ₃ (1) ab2(21), CH ₃ (1) ab1(16)
1450S			1450	CH ₃ (2) ab1(44), CH ₃ (1) ab1(27), CH ₃ (1) ab2(13)
			1450	CH ₃ (2) ab1(43), CH ₃ (1) ab1(22), CH ₃ (1) ab1(17)
				CH ₃ (2) ab1(50), CH ₃ (1) ab1(31)
				CH ₃ (2) ab1(50), CH ₃ (1) ab1(22), CH ₃ (1) ab2(11)
				CH ₃ (2) ab2(44), CH ₃ (1) ab1(32), CH ₃ (1) ab2(14)
				CH ₃ (2) ab2(41), CH ₃ (1) ab1(28), CH ₃ (1) ab2(21)
1450S				CH ₃ (2) ab2(44), CH ₃ (1) ab1(33), CH ₃ (1) ab2(13)
			1449	CH ₃ (2) ab2(48), CH ₃ (1) ab1(32), CH ₃ (1) ab2(10)
			1449	CH ₃ (2) ab2(48), CH ₃ (1) ab1(21), CH ₃ (1) ab2(17)
			1449	CH ₃ (2) ab2(47), CH ₃ (1) ab1(32), CH ₃ (1) ab2(11)
				CH ₃ (2) ab2(55), CH ₃ (1) ab1(19), CH ₃ (1) ab2(13)
				CH ₃ (2) ab2(51), CH ₃ (1) ab1(32)

1386W	1385S ₁	1387 1387 1390	CH ₃ (2) sb(46),CH ₃ (1) sb(28) CH ₃ (2) sb(43),CH ₃ (1) sb(33) CH ₃ (2) sb(37),CH ₃ (1) sb(34)
		1386 1388 1392	CH ₃ (1) sb(48),CH ₃ (2) sb(35) CH ₃ (1) sb(47),CH ₃ (2) sb(33) CH ₃ (1) sb(43),CH ₃ (2) sb(29)
		1387 1389	CH ₃ (2) sb(48),CH ₃ (1) sb(23) CH ₃ (2) sb(44),CH ₃ (1) sb(21)
		1369 1366 1367	CH ₃ (1) sb(64),CH ₃ (2) sb(29) CH ₃ (1) sb(57),CH ₃ (2) sb(44) CH ₃ (1) sb(52),CH ₃ (2) sb(49)
1364W	1361S ₃	1366 1366 1366	CH ₃ (2) sb(62),CH ₃ (1) sb(40) CH ₃ (2) sb(64),CH ₃ (1) sb(39) CH ₃ (2) sb(66),CH ₃ (1) sb(35)
		1367 1367	CH ₃ (1) sb(71),CH ₃ (2) sb(29) CH ₃ (1) sb(73),CH ₃ (2) sb(28)
1339W		1346 1334 1334	CH ₃ (2) sb(21),NH ib(19),NC ⁺ s(15),C ⁺ C s(11) NC ⁺ s(20),NH ib(19) NH ib(23),NC ⁺ s(15)
1313VW		1312 1311 1316	NH ib(22),NC ⁺ s(14),CC ₂ ss(11),CH ₃ (1) sb(10) NC ⁺ s(20),NH ib(16),CC ₂ ss(14) NH ib(26),CH ₃ (1) sb(21),CC ₂ as(13)
		1345 1347	NH ib(19),NC ⁺ s(18),CH ₃ (2) sb(16) CH ₃ (2) sb(24),NH ib(22),NC ⁺ s(14)

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Table III (continued)

Observed ^a		Calculated ^b			Potential Energy Distribution ^c
Raman	IR	A	E ₁	E ₂	
1302W	1304S ₁		1302 1296 1296		CC ₂ ss(24),NC ⁺ s(16),C ⁺ C s(11) CC ₂ ss(19),NH ib(16),C ⁺ C s(15),NC ⁺ s(11) CC ₂ ss(17),NC ⁺ s(16),C ⁺ C s(12)
1280M	1280M ₁	1287 1295 1300			C ⁺ C s(24),NC ⁺ s(20),CC ₂ w(13),NH ib(10) C ⁺ C s(21),NH ib(19),NC ⁺ s(15),CC ₂ as(11),CC ₂ w(10),CH ₃ (1) sb(10) NC ⁺ s(31),CC ₂ w(14),C ⁺ C s(13)
1230W		1230 1228 1235		1293 1285	CC ₂ ss(26),NH ib(16),C ⁺ C s(14),NC ⁺ s(10),CH ₃ (1) r(10) CC ₂ ss(26),C ⁺ C s(13),NC ⁺ s(12),CH ₃ (1) r(11),NH ib(10) CC ₂ as(60),CH ₃ (1) r(17),CC ₂ r(11),CH ₃ (2) sb(10) CC ₂ as(50),CH ₃ (1) r(17) CC ₂ as(55),CH ₃ (1) r(13),CH ₃ (2) sb(11),CC ₂ r(10)
	1227S ₁		1230 1224 1233		CC ₂ as(81),CC ₂ r(15) CC ₂ as(66),CC ₂ r(12) CC ₂ as(64),CC ₂ r(11)
1214W	1210S ₁	1196 1182 1186		1225 1233	CC ₂ as(74),CC ₂ r(13) CC ₂ as(76),CC ₂ r(13),CH ₃ (1) sb(10) CC ₂ as(19),CN s(14),CH ₃ (2) r(14) CC ₂ as(17),CN s(16),CH ₃ (2) r(13),NH ib(12) CN s(16),CH ₃ (2) r(13),CC ₂ as(11)
1170S	1170S ₁		1165 1166 1168		CH ₃ (2) r(19),CN s(18),CH ₃ (1) r2(14),CC ₂ w(11) CN s(18),CH ₃ (2) r(16),CH ₃ (1) r2(12),NH ib(11) CN s(18),CH ₃ (2) r(16),CH ₃ (1) r2(11)

Table III (continued)

Observed ^a		Calculated ^b			Potential Energy Distribution ^c
Raman	IR	A	E ₁	E ₂	
				984	CH ₃ (1) r(30), CH ₃ (2) r2(22), CC ₂ ss(19), NC ^α s(11)
				979	CH ₃ (1) r(28), CH ₃ (2) r2(21), CC ₂ ss(20), NC ^α s(11)
	940W ₁		940		CN s(17), CH ₃ (2) r(12), CH ₃ (1) r2(11), CNC ^α d(10)
			941		CN s(16), CH ₃ (2) r(13), CNC ^α d(10)
			935		CN s(16), CH ₃ (2) r(11)
923M	920S ₁	926			CC ₂ ss(33), C ^α C s(20), CH ₃ (2) r(13)
		929			CC ₂ ss(22), C ^α C s(22), CH ₃ (2) r(14), CH ₃ (1) r2(12)
		929			CC ₂ ss(25), C ^α C s(19), CN s(13)
			944		CN s(16), CH ₃ (2) r(15), CH ₃ (1) r2(11), CNC ^α d(10)
			940		CN s(17), CH ₃ (2) r(13), CH ₃ (1) r2(11), CNC ^α d(10)
908VS	905VW ₁₁	905			CNC ^α d(22), CN s(13), C ^α CN d(11), CO ib(11)
		902			CNC ^α d(20), CC ₂ ss(14), C ^α CN d(11), CN s(11), CO ib(10)
		902			CNC ^α d(18), CC ₂ ss(16), C ^α CN d(10)
823M	820M ₁		832		CC ₂ ss(42), NC ^α s(17), CO ib(11)
			849		CC ₂ ss(31), NC ^α s(15), CO ib(10)
			857		CC ₂ ss(27), NC ^α s(16), CO ib(10)
			812		CC ₂ ss(54), NC ^α s(16)
			811		CC ₂ ss(54), CO ob(19)
790VW	790MW ₁		782		CO ob(49), CN t(13), CC ₂ ss(10)
			781		CO ob(48), CC ₂ ss(13)
			788		CO ob(46), CC ₂ ss(17)

Table III (continued)

Observed ^a		Calculated ^b		Potential Energy Distribution ^c
Raman	IR	A	E ₁ , E ₂	
506W	505S ₁		506	CC ₂ r(38), NC ^o C d(14)
			499	CC ₂ r(34), NC ^o C d(15)
			502	CC ₂ r(32), NC ^o C d(12)
422M	425M ₁		477	CC ₂ r(29), CO ib(14), NC ^o C d(10), C ^o C s(10)
			477	CC ₂ r(28), CO ib(24), C ^o C s(11)
		435		CC ₂ tw(35), CC ₂ b(22), CC ₂ r(13)
		425		CC ₂ b(32), CC ₂ tw(19), CC ₂ w(13), CC ₂ r(11)
		424		CC ₂ b(38), CC ₂ tw(17), CC ₂ w(11)
				CC ₂ b(54), CO ib(14)
422M	425M ₁		433	CC ₂ b(46), CO ib(12)
			442	CC ₂ b(37), CO ib(13), NH ob(12), C ^o CN d(11)
			456	CC ₂ b(64)
367M	367M ₁		415	CC ₂ b(47), CC ₂ tw(15), NC ^o C d(13)
			424	CC ₂ w(20), CC ₂ tw(18), C ^o CN d(15), CC ₂ b(11), CO ib(10)
			361	CC ₂ w(17), CO ib(16), CC ₂ tw(16), CC ₂ b(11)
367M	367M ₁		353	CC ₂ b(23), CC ₂ tw(15), CC ₂ w(13)
			361	CC ₂ w(32), CC ₂ b(16)
			361	CC ₂ w(23), CC ₂ b(19), CC ₂ r(12), CO ob(12)
362S ₁	362S ₁	351		CC ₂ w(33), CC ₂ b(15), CO ob(15)
		364		CC ₂ tw(36), CC ₂ b(17), C ^o CN d(16), CC ₂ r(10)
		366		CC ₂ tw(31), CC ₂ b(29), C ^o CN d(14)
			376	
			387	

330		CO ib(29),CC ₂ r(23),CNC ⁺ d(11)
337		CO ib(38),C ⁺ C s(14),CC ₂ w(12),CC ₂ r(12)
322		CO ib(36),CC ₂ r(16),C ⁺ C s(13)
316M	313M ₁	CC ₂ tw(23),CC ₂ b(14),CO ib(14),CNC ⁺ d(10),NC ⁺ C d(10)
	324	CC ₂ b(22),CC ₂ tw(22),CO ib(12),NC ⁺ C d(11)
	326	CO ib(21),CC ₂ b(18),CC ₂ tw(15),NC ⁺ C d(12)
	317	
	318	CO ib(18),CC ₂ w(17)
	310	CC ₂ w(17),CO ib(16),CC ₂ r(16)
298S		CC ₂ b(36),CC ₂ tw(30)
	289	CC ₂ tw(42),CC ₂ b(30)
	280	CC ₂ tw(46),CC ₂ b(26)
284M		CC ₂ w(19),CC ₂ tw(18),CC ₂ r(11),CO ob(11),CC ₂ b(10)
	276	CC ₂ tw(30),CC ₂ w(20),CC ₂ b(12),CC ₂ r(10)
	289	CC ₂ tw(34),CC ₂ w(20),CC ₂ b(11),CC ₂ r(10)
	268	CC ₂ w(17),CC ₂ tw(17),CO ob(15),NC ⁺ C d(12)
	275	CC ₂ w(25),NC ⁺ C d(13),CC ₂ tw(10),CO ob(10)
220M		C ⁺ C ^β t(94)
	223	C ⁺ C ^β t(83)
	224	C ⁺ C ^β t(85)
	222	
	223	C ⁺ C ^β t(93)
	224	C ⁺ C ^β t(96)
	224	C ⁺ C ^β t(96)
	223	C ⁺ C ^β t(89)
	224	C ⁺ C ^β t(89)

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Table III (continued)

Observed ^a	Calculated ^b			Potential Energy Distribution ^c		
	Raman	IR	A		E ₁	E ₂
220M			220			C ^α C ^β t(97)
			219			C ^α C ^β t(98)
			219			C ^α C ^β t(98)
				218		C ^α C ^β t(96)
				218		C ^α C ^β t(98)
				218		C ^α C ^β t(97)
189M					219	C ^α C ^β t(95)
					220	C ^α C ^β t(96)
				188		C ^α CN d(28),CC ₂ tw(11)
				176		C ^α CN d(30),CC ₂ r(11)
165M				171		C ^α CN d(23),CC ₂ tw(10)
			165			C ^α CN d(22),CC ₂ tw(18),NH ob(10)
			187			CC ₂ tw(22),C ^α CN d(17),C ^α C ^β t(10)
			181			CC ₂ tw(19),C ^α CN d(15),CNC ^α d(12)
115W					197	C ^α CN d(29),CC ₂ tw(14),CC ₂ w(11),CC ₂ r(10)
					194	C ^α CN d(35),CC ₂ tw(20)
			137			CNC ^α d(38),CC ₂ r(16),C ^α CN d(12),H · · O s(10)
			116			CNC ^α d(39),CC ₂ r(25),C ^α CN d(19)
			112			CNC ^α d(33),CC ₂ r(28),C ^α CN d(25)
				121		CNC ^α d(30),Nh ob(22)
			131		CNC ^α d(39),CC ₂ r(13),NH ob(12)	
			136		CNC ^α d(29),CC ₂ r(21),H · · O s(15),C ^α CN d(12)	

122	CNC ^a d(31),NH ob(24),CC ₂ r(12)
138	CNC ^a d(26),CC ₂ r(15),H [⋯] O s(11),CO ob(10)
92	H [⋯] O s(20),C ^o C t(17),NH ob(16),NC ^a t(13),CN t(10)
88	C ^o C t(21),NH ob(19),NC ^a t(17),CN t(16),H [⋯] O s(11)
92	C ^o C t(22),NH ob(19),NC ^a t(19),H [⋯] O s(13)
88	NC ^a t(36),C ^o C t(26),H [⋯] O s(15),CN t(10)
92	NC ^a t(26),C ^o C t(25),CN t(23),H [⋯] O s(13)
93	H [⋯] O s(25),NC ^a t(21),C ^o C t(20),CO [⋯] H ib(11)
80	NH ob(25),NC ^o C d(17),NH [⋯] O ib(16),C ^o C t(10)
92	NH ob(54),NC ^o C d(23),H [⋯] O s(19)
45	NH ob(27),NC ^o C d(23),NH [⋯] O ib(11)
33	NH ob(51),NC ^o C d(33),H [⋯] O s(11)
40	H [⋯] O s(33),NH ob(28),NC ^o C d(17),NC ^o t(10)
44	NH ob(47),NC ^o C d(29),NC ^o t(18),C ^o C t(14),CN t(13),H [⋯] O s(12)
43	C ^o C t(47),NC ^o t(24),NH ob(22),NC ^o C d(16),CN t(12)
32	C ^o C t(46),H [⋯] O s(25)
31	NC ^o t(31),C ^o C t(26),NH [⋯] O ib(24),NH ob(10)

^a S = strong, M = medium, W = weak, V = very, sh = shoulder, || = parallel dichroism, ⊥ = perpendicular dichroism.

^b In the A and E₁ blocks, the modes are grouped in three's. In each group, the first entry is for the 3₁₀ helix, the second for the α-helix, and the third for the α'-helix. In the E₂ block, only modes due to α- and α'-helices are listed; the first of the group is due to α and the second to α'.

^c s = stretch, as = antisymmetric stretch, ss = symmetric stretch, b = angle bend, ib = in-plane angle bend, ob = out-of-plane angle bend, ab = antisymmetric angle bend, sb = symmetric angle bend, r = rock, d = deformation, t = torsion, tw = twist. Only contributions of 10% or greater are included. Numbers 1 and 2 have been used in parentheses to distinguish the two methyl groups.

^d Unperturbed frequency.

TABLE IV
Observed and Calculated Frequencies (in cm^{-1}) of N-Deuterated Poly(α -Aminoisobutyric Acid)

Observed ^a		Calculated ^b			Potential-Energy Distribution ^c
Raman	IR	A	E ₁	E ₂	
2988S	2986S _g	2986			CH ₃ (1) as2(50), CH ₃ (2) as1(35), CH ₃ (2) as2(14)
		2985			CH ₃ (2) as1(47), CH ₃ (1) as2(46)
		2986			CH ₃ (1) as2(49), CH ₃ (2) as1(35), CH ₃ (2) as2(14)
2998M,sh	2998M,sh ₁		2986		CH ₃ (1) as2(50), CH ₃ (2) as1(35), CH ₃ (2) as2(14)
			2985		CH ₃ (2) as1(46), CH ₃ (1) as2(46)
			2986		CH ₃ (1) as2(50), CH ₃ (2) as1(35), CH ₃ (2) as2(14)
				2985	CH ₃ (2) as1(47), CH ₃ (1) as2(46)
				2986	CH ₃ (1) as2(50), CH ₃ (2) as1(35), CH ₃ (2) as2(14)
2988S	2986S _g	2984			CH ₃ (1) as1(49), CH ₃ (2) as2(35), CH ₃ (2) as1(15)
		2984			CH ₃ (2) as2(49), CH ₃ (1) as1(43)
		2984			CH ₃ (1) as1(47), CH ₃ (2) as2(37), CH ₃ (2) as1(15)
2998M,sh	2998M,sh ₁		2984		CH ₃ (1) as1(53), CH ₃ (2) as2(33), CH ₃ (2) as1(14)
			2984		CH ₃ (1) as1(49), CH ₃ (2) as2(44)
			2984		CH ₃ (1) as1(48), CH ₃ (2) as2(37), CH ₃ (2) as1(14)
				2984	CH ₃ (2) as2(48), CH ₃ (1) as1(44)
				2984	CH ₃ (1) as1(48), CH ₃ (2) as2(37), CH ₃ (2) as1(15)
2988S	2986S _g	2984			CH ₃ (1) as1(50), CH ₃ (2) as1(38), CH ₃ (2) as1(11)
		2984			CH ₃ (1) as1(51), CH ₃ (2) as2(30), CH ₃ (2) as1(18)
		2984			CH ₃ (1) as1(52), CH ₃ (2) as2(36), CH ₃ (2) as1(11)

2998M,sh	2998M,sh ₁	2984	2984	CH ₃ (1) as1(46),CH ₃ (2) as2(41),CH ₃ (2) as1(12)
		2984	2984	CH ₃ (1) as1(46),CH ₃ (2) as2(34),CH ₃ (2) as1(19)
		2983		CH ₃ (1) as1(51),CH ₃ (2) as2(37),CH ₃ (2) as1(11)
			2984	CH ₃ (1) as1(50),CH ₃ (2) as1(31),CH ₃ (2) as1(18)
			2984	CH ₃ (1) as1(51),CH ₃ (2) as2(37),CH ₃ (2) as1(11)
2988S	2986S ₁	2982		CH ₃ (1) as2(50),CH ₃ (2) as1(38),CH ₃ (2) as2(12)
		2982		CH ₃ (1) as2(49),CH ₃ (2) as1(32),CH ₃ (2) as2(18)
		2982		CH ₃ (1) as2(50),CH ₃ (2) as1(38),CH ₃ (2) as2(12)
2998M,sh	2998M,sh ₁	2982	2982	CH ₃ (1) as2(49),CH ₃ (2) as1(38),CH ₃ (2) as2(12)
		2982	2982	CH ₃ (1) as2(49),CH ₃ (2) as1(32),CH ₃ (2) as2(18)
		2982	2982	CH ₃ (1) as2(49),CH ₃ (2) as1(38),CH ₃ (2) as2(12)
			2982	CH ₃ (1) as2(49),CH ₃ (2) as1(32),CH ₃ (2) as2(18)
			2982	CH ₃ (1) as2(50),CH ₃ (2) as1(38),CH ₃ (2) as2(12)
				CH ₃ (1) ss(53),CH ₃ (2) ss(46)
				CH ₃ (1) ss(65),CH ₃ (2) ss(35)
				CH ₃ (2) ss(68),CH ₃ (1) ss(31)
2942VS		2929	2929	CH ₃ (2) ss(61),CH ₃ (2) ss(39)
2934M,sh	2936M ₁	2929	2929	CH ₃ (2) ss(67),CH ₃ (1) ss(33)
		2929	2929	CH ₃ (2) ss(81),CH ₃ (1) ss(19)
			2929	CH ₃ (1) ss(56),CH ₃ (2) ss(43)
			2929	CH ₃ (2) ss(99)

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Table IV (continued)

Observed ^a		Calculated ^b			Potential-Energy Distribution ^c
Raman	IR	A	E ₁	E ₂	
		2929			CH ₃ (2) ss(53), CH ₃ (1) ss(46)
		2929			CH ₃ (2) ss(65), CH ₃ (1) ss(35)
		2929			CH ₃ (1) ss(68), CH ₃ (2) ss(31)
2942VS			2929		CH ₃ (1) ss(61), CH ₃ (2) ss(39)
2934M,sh	2936M ₁		2929		CH ₃ (1) ss(67), CH ₃ (2) ss(33)
			2929		CH ₃ (1) ss(81), CH ₃ (2) ss(19)
				2929	CH ₃ (2) ss(56), CH ₃ (1) ss(43)
				2929	CH ₃ (1) ss(99)
		2397			ND s(96)
		2396			ND s(96)
		2396			ND s(96)
			2397		ND s(96)
			2396		ND s(96)
			2396		ND s(96)
				2396	ND s(96)
				2396	ND s(96)
		1655			CO s(82), CN s(16)
		1649			CO s(83), CN s(15)
		1658			CO s(82), CN s(17)
	1640VS ₁				
			1655		CO s(82), CN s(15)
			1649		CO s(83), CN s(14), C ^o -CN d(10)
			1659		CO s(82), CN s(16)
1640S					

		1641	CO s(82),CN s(14),C-CN d(10)
		1643	CO s(81),CN s(16)
	1472M ₁	1484	CN s(29),C ^α C s(22),CO ib(14)
		1484	CN s(30),C ^α C s(21),CO ib(15)
		1481	CN s(27),C ^α C s(21),CO ib(14)
		1478	CN s(25),C ^α C s(17),CO ib(14),CH ₃ (2) ab1(12)
		1478	CN s(26),C ^α C s(17),CO ib(15),CH ₃ (2) ab1(12)
		1473	CN s(23),C ^α C s(17),CH ₃ (2) ab1(16),CO ib(13)
		1488	CN s(32),C ^α C s(23),CO ib(14),NC ^α s(10)
		1490	CN s(29),C ^α C s(23),CO ib(14),NC ^α s(12)
	1456S,sh	1456	CH ₃ (2) ab2(40),CH ₃ (1) ab1(37)
		1456	CH ₃ (1) ab1(41),CH ₃ (2) ab2(37)
		1456	CH ₃ (1) ab1(43),CH ₃ (2) ab2(37)
		1456	CH ₃ (1) ab1(30),CH ₃ (2) ab1(28),CH ₃ (2) ab2(14),CH ₃ (1) ab2(10)
		1457	CH ₃ (1) ab1(32),CH ₃ (2) ab1(25),CH ₃ (2) ab2(17)
		1456	CH ₃ (1) ab1(29),CH ₃ (2) ab1(28),CH ₃ (2) ab2(15), CH ₃ (1) ab2(10)
		1457	CH ₃ (2) ab1(37),CH ₃ (1) ab1(26),CH ₃ (1) ab2(11)
		1456	CH ₃ (2) ab1(43),CH ₃ (1) ab1(21),CH ₃ (1) ab2(15)
	1450W ₁	1451	CH ₃ (1) ab2(45),CH ₃ (2) ab1(34)
		1450	CH ₃ (1) ab2(48),CH ₃ (2) ab1(28),CH ₃ (1) ab1(10)
		1451	CH ₃ (1) ab2(54),CH ₃ (2) ab1(25)
	1452VS	1450	CH ₃ (1) ab2(43),CH ₃ (2) ab1(30),CH ₃ (1) ab1(14)
		1450	CH ₃ (1) ab2(45),CH ₃ (2) ab1(24),CH ₃ (1) ab1(18)
		1451	CH ₃ (1) ab2(54),CH ₃ (2) ab1(21),CH ₃ (1) ab1(11)

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Table IV (continued)

Observed ^a	Calculated ^b			Potential-Energy Distribution ^c		
	Raman	IR	A		E ₁	E ₂
1452VS					1451	CH ₃ (1) ab2(50),CH ₃ (2) ab1(30)
					1451	CH ₃ (1) ab2(54),CH ₃ (2) ab1(28)
1452VS			1449			CH ₃ (2) ab2(48),CH ₃ (1) ab1(35)
			1449			CH ₃ (2) ab2(49),CH ₃ (1) ab1(28),CH ₃ (1) ab2(10)
			1449			CH ₃ (2) ab2(50),CH ₃ (1) ab1(33)
1450W ₁				1449		CH ₃ (2) ab2(42),CH ₃ (1) ab1(39)
				1449		CH ₃ (2) ab2(42),CH ₃ (1) ab1(36),CH ₃ (1) ab2(11)
				1449		CH ₃ (2) ab2(46),CH ₃ (1) ab1(37)
1424VS ₁				1449		CH ₃ (1) ab1(40),CH ₃ (2) ab2(37),CH ₃ (1) ab2(13)
				1449		CH ₃ (1) ab1(41),CH ₃ (2) ab2(41)
1424VS ₁				1445		CH ₃ (2) ab2(28),CH ₃ (2) ab1(20),CH ₃ (1) ab2(17)
				1445		CH ₃ (2) ab1(28),CH ₃ (2) ab2(24),CH ₃ (1) ab2(15)
				1444		CH ₃ (2) ab1(28),CH ₃ (2) ab2(22),CH ₃ (1) ab1(12),CH ₃ (1) ab2(11)
1384S ₁			1443			CH ₃ (2) ab1(44),CH ₃ (1) ab2(24),CN s(12)
			1443			CH ₃ (2) ab1(46),CH ₃ (1) ab2(22),CN s(12)
			1442			CH ₃ (2) ab1(46),CH ₃ (1) ab2(17),CN s(14)
1384S ₁				1446		CH ₃ (2) ab2(40),CH ₃ (2) ab1(16),CH ₃ (1) ab1(12),CH ₃ (1) ab2(10)
				1446		CH ₃ (2) ab2(39),CH ₃ (1) ab1(20),CH ₃ (2) ab1(13)
1384S ₁				1385		CH ₃ (2) sb(47),CH ₃ (1) sb(38)
				1385		CH ₃ (2) sb(48),CH ₃ (1) sb(37)
				1386		CH ₃ (2) sb(46),CH ₃ (1) sb(35)

1374W	1377M ₁	1384	CH ₃ (2) sb(47), CH ₃ (1) sb(40)
		1385	CH ₃ (2) sb(47), CH ₃ (1) sb(39)
		1387	CH ₃ (2) sb(47), CH ₃ (1) sb(35)
		1384	CH ₃ (2) sb(49), CH ₃ (1) sb(35)
		1386	CH ₃ (2) sb(46), CH ₃ (1) sb(35)
	1363S ₁	1365	CH ₃ (1) sb(55), CH ₃ (2) sb(47)
		1365	CH ₃ (1) sb(55), CH ₃ (2) sb(46)
		1365	CH ₃ (1) sb(56), CH ₃ (2) sb(47)
	1360M ₁	1363	CH ₃ (1) sb(56), CH ₃ (2) sb(48)
		1363	CH ₃ (1) sb(56), CH ₃ (2) sb(48)
		1363	CH ₃ (1) sb(58), CH ₃ (2) sb(46)
		1366	CH ₃ (1) sb(55), CH ₃ (2) sb(45)
		1366	CH ₃ (1) sb(55), CH ₃ (2) sb(47)
	1298W ₁	1308	NC ^α s(26), CC ₂ ss(22), CH ₃ (2) r2(10)
		1307	NC ^α s(26), CC ₂ ss(21), CH ₃ (2) r2(10)
		1301	NC ^α s(26), CC ₂ ss(18), CH ₃ (2) r2(10)
		1292	NC ^α s(30), CC ₂ w(15), C ^α C s(11)
		1300	NC ^α s(32), CC ₂ w(15)
		1299	NC ^α s(33), CC ₂ w(14)
		1308	CC ₂ ss(25), NC ^α s(24), CH ₃ (2) r2(11)
		1298	CC ₂ ss(24), NC ^α s(21), CH ₃ (2) r2(12)
	1233S ₁	1246	CC ₂ as(73), CC ₂ r(14), CH ₃ (2) sb(13)
		1245	CC ₂ as(73), CC ₂ r(14), CH ₃ (2) sb(13)
		1253	CC ₂ as(76), CH ₃ (2) sb(15), CC ₂ r(13)

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Table IV (continued)

Observed ^a	Calculated ^b			Potential-Energy Distribution ^c
	A	E ₁	E ₂	
Raman	IR			
1229M		1235		CC ₂ as(86),CC ₂ r(17),CH ₃ (2) sb(11),CH ₃ (1) sb(10)
		1241		CC ₂ as(82),CC ₂ r(16),CH ₃ (1) sb(11),CH ₃ (2) sb(11)
		1251		CC ₂ as(81),CC ₂ r(15),CH ₃ (2) sb(13),CH ₃ (1) sb(12)
			1248	CC ₂ as(70),CH ₃ (2) sb(14),CC ₂ r(13),CH ₃ (1) r(10)
			1254	CC ₂ as(71),CH ₃ (2) sb(15),CC ₂ r(12),CH ₃ (1) r(10)
1210S ₁		1217		CC ₂ ss(20),CH ₃ (2) r(15),CH ₃ (1) r(14)
		1216		CC ₂ ss(21),CH ₃ (1) r(16),CH ₃ (2) r(14),C ^o C s(11)
		1216		CC ₂ ss(19),CH ₃ (1) r(17),CH ₃ (2) r(14),C ^o C s(11)
			1200	CH ₃ (2) r(22),CC ₂ as(13),CC ₂ w(13),CH ₃ (1) r(2)(12)
			1200	CH ₃ (2) r(21),CC ₂ w(11),CH ₃ (1) r(2)(11)
			1201	CH ₃ (2) r(19),CC ₂ w(11),CH ₃ (1) r(2)(11),CC ₂ ss(10)
			1193	CH ₃ (2) r(25),CC ₂ w(15),CH ₃ (1) r(2)(15),CC ₂ as(11)
			1189	CH ₃ (2) r(25),CH ₃ (1) r(2)(17),CC ₂ w(15),CN s(11)
			1023	CH ₃ (1) r(2)(48),CH ₃ (2) r(1)(30),CH ₃ (2) r(2)(11)
			1023	CH ₃ (1) r(2)(48),CH ₃ (2) r(1)(31),CH ₃ (2) r(2)(11)
			1022	CH ₃ (1) r(2)(47),CH ₃ (2) r(1)(32),CH ₃ (2) r(2)(11)
1022M	1021W ₁	1022		CH ₃ (1) r(2)(46),CH ₃ (2) r(1)(32),CH ₃ (2) r(2)(11)
		1023		CH ₃ (1) r(2)(47),CH ₃ (2) r(1)(32),CH ₃ (2) r(2)(11)
		1022		CH ₃ (1) r(2)(47),CH ₃ (2) r(1)(32),CH ₃ (2) r(2)(11)
			1023	CH ₃ (1) r(2)(48),CH ₃ (2) r(1)(30),CH ₃ (2) r(2)(11)
			1023	CH ₃ (1) r(2)(48),CH ₃ (2) r(1)(31),CH ₃ (2) r(2)(11)

Table IV (continued)

Observed ^a		Calculated ^b			Potential-Energy Distribution ^c
Raman	IR	A	E ₁	E ₂	
	942W ₁		926		CN s(19),CH ₃ (2) r1(11),CNC ⁺ d(10),CH ₃ (1) r2(10)
			924		CN s(19),CH ₃ (2) r1(10)
			922		CN s(18),CH ₃ (2) r1(10)
917M	917W ₁	918			CC ₂ ss(23),C ⁺ C s(17),CN s(13),CH ₃ (2) r1(12)
		913			CN s(18),C ⁺ C s(14),CC ₂ ss(10),ND ib(10)
		920			CC ₂ ss(22),CN s(17),C ⁺ C s(16)
			929		CN s(20),CH ₃ (2) r1(11),CNC ⁺ d(10),CH ₃ (1) r2(10)
			926		CN s(19),CH ₃ (2) r1(12),CH ₃ (1) r2(11),CNC ⁺ d(10)
891VS	886VW ₁	879			CNC ⁺ d(21),CO ib(13),CN s(11)
		874			CNC ⁺ d(17),ND ib(15),CC ₂ ss(12),CO ib(12)
		868			ND ib(18),CNC ⁺ d(16),CO ib(12),CC ₂ ss(12)
821M	822W ₁		823		CC ₂ ss(44),NC ⁺ s(18),CO ib(12)
			834		CC ₂ ss(31),NC ⁺ s(15),CO ib(12)
			840		CC ₂ ss(26),NC ⁺ s(15),CO ib(12)
			809		CC ₂ ss(52),NC ⁺ s(13),CO ob(11)
			810		CC ₂ ss(48),CO ob(25)
	770W ₁		772		CO ob(58)
			770		CO ob(54),CC ₂ ss(10)
			775		CO ob(50),CC ₂ ss(14)
762M		749			CO ob(66),CC ₂ r(10)
		739			CO ob(64)
		740			CO ob(58)

640M		777	CO ob(45),NC ^a s(12)
		792	CO ob(29),NC ^a s(25)
	639		C ^a C s(20),CC ₂ w(17),CO ib(14),C ^a CN d(10)
	625		CC ₂ w(21),C ^a C s(16),CO ib(16),C ^a CN d(10)
	612		CC ₂ w(18),CO ib(17)C ^a C s(16),C ^a CN d(12)
583M	585M ₁	611	NC ^a C d(18),CC ₂ ss(16),ND ob(11)
		593	NC ^a C d(19),CC ₂ ss(13)
		599	NC ^a C d(16),CC ₂ ss(12)
		665	C ^a C s(21),CC ₂ w(21),CO ib(14)
		668	C ^a C s(22),CC ₂ w(19),CO ib(12)
568VS		562	CC ₂ w(24),C ^a CN d(20),CO ib(19),NC ^a s(15)
		564	C ^a CN d(30),CC ₂ w(16),CO ib(14),CC ₂ r(14)
		568	C ^a CN d(29),CC ₂ r(19)
	526M,sh ₁	536	ND ob(30),CN t(30),CC ₂ r(14)
		514	ND ob(27),CN t(25),CC ₂ r(16),NC ^a C d(12)
		519	CC ₂ r(20),ND ob(19),CN t(15),NC ^a C d(11)
		500	CN t(66),ND ob(38),ND ^a · · O ib(11)
		482	CN t(61),ND ob(37)
		497	CN t(53),ND ob(32),CC ₂ w(12),C ^a CN d(12),ND ^a · · O ib(10)
		476	CN t(64),ND ob(42),CC ₂ w(12),ND ^a · · O ib(11),CC ₂ b(11)
		459	CN t(45),ND ob(33),CC ₂ w(18),CC ₂ b(16)
	508M ₁	485	CN t(44),CC ₂ r(28)
		477	CN t(46),CC ₂ r(21)
		479	CN t(27),CC ₂ r(15),CC ₂ b(12)

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Table IV (continued)

Observed ^a		Calculated ^b			Potential-Energy Distribution ^c
Raman	IR	A	E ₁	E ₂	
429M	428M ₁			472	CC ₂ r(26), CO ib(19), C ^o C s(10), CN t(10)
				476	CO ib(27), CC ₂ r(22), C ^o C s(10)
416W			428		CC ₂ b(53), CO ib(12)
			432		CC ₂ b(45), CN t(21), ND ob(20)
			427		CN t(51), ND ob(32), CC ₂ b(26)
374W	372M ₁		418		CC ₂ tw(31), CN t(22), CC ₂ b(16)
			407		CN t(27), CC ₂ b(23), CC ₂ tw(15)
			396		CN t(50), CC ₂ b(23), ND ob(19), CO ob(11)
364M	365M ₁		408		CC ₂ b(60), CN t(12), ND ob(11)
			416		CC ₂ b(31), CC ₂ tw(24), CN t(13), C ^o CN d(10)
			360		CC ₂ w(20), CC ₂ tw(16), C ^o CN d(14), CC ₂ b(13), CO ib(10)
372M			350		CO ib(18), CC ₂ w(18), CC ₂ tw(14), CC ₂ b(11)
			355		CC ₂ b(21), CC ₂ w(16), CC ₂ tw(13), CN t(10)
			350		CC ₂ w(33), CC ₂ b(15)
365M			363		CC ₂ w(23), CC ₂ b(21), CC ₂ r(11), CO ob(11)
			365		CC ₂ w(33), CC ₂ b(17), CO ob(10)
			372		CC ₂ tw(34), CC ₂ b(20), C ^o CN d(14)
330			378		CC ₂ b(40), CC ₂ tw(22), CN t(12)
			330		CO ib(29), CC ₂ r(24), CNC ^o d(11)
			337		CO ib(38), C ^o C s(14), CC ₂ r(13), CC ₂ w(12)
			322		CO ib(36), CC ₂ r(16), C ^o C s(13)

317M	319M ₁	321	CC ₂ tw(26),CO ib(13),CC ₂ b(12),NC ⁺ C d(10),CNC ⁻ d(10)
		321	CC ₂ tw(25),CC ₂ b(18),NC ⁺ C d(10),CO ib(10)
		314	CO ib(20),CC ₂ tw(17),CC ₂ b(16),NC ⁺ C d(12),CNC ⁻ d(10)
		315	CC ₂ w(21),CO ib(17),CC ₂ r(11)
		307	CC ₂ w(22),CC ₂ r(18),CO ib(14)
299S		289	CC ₂ b(36),CC ₂ tw(30)
		283	CC ₂ tw(44),CC ₂ b(29)
		279	CC ₂ tw(48),CC ₂ (25)
281S		274	CC ₂ w(18),CC ₂ tw(17),CC ₂ b(11),CC ₂ r(11),CO ob(11)
		288	CC ₂ tw(28),CC ₂ w(20),CC ₂ b(13),CC ₂ r(10)
		289	CC ₂ tw(34),CC ₂ w(20),CC ₂ b(11),CC ₂ r(10)
		262	CC ₂ tw(16),CO ob(15),CC ₂ w(13),NC ⁺ C d(13)
		269	CC ₂ w(19),NC ⁺ C d(14),CO ob(11),CNC ⁻ d(10)
226VW		223	C ⁺ C ^β t(95)
		223	C ⁺ C ^β t(84)
		221	C ⁺ C ^β t(94)
		223	C ⁺ C ^β t(93)
		224	C ⁺ C ^β t(93)
		224	C ⁺ C ^β t(94)
		223	C ⁺ C ^β t(89)
		223	C ⁺ C ^β t(89)
215W		220	C ⁺ C ^β t(97)
		219	C ⁺ C ^β t(97)
		219	C ⁺ C ^β t(97)

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Table IV (continued)

Raman	Observed ^a		Calculated ^b		Potential-Energy Distribution ^c
	IR	A	E ₁	E ₂	
189M			218		C ^o C ^β t(97)
			218		C ^o C ^β t(97)
			218		C ^o C ^β t(97)
189M			186	219	C ^o C ^β t(95)
			174	220	C ^o C ^β t(95)
			169		C ^o CN d(28),CC ₂ tw(11) C ^o CN d(29),CC ₂ r(11) C ^o CN d(23),CC ₂ tw(10)
163M		164			C ^o CN d(21),CC ₂ tw(18)
		186			CC ₂ tw(21),C ^o CN d(17)
		179			CC ₂ tw(18),C ^o CN d(15),CNC ^o d(11)
116M				196	C ^o CN d(29),CC ₂ tw(14),CC ₂ w(11),CC ₂ r(10)
				194	C ^o CN d(35),CC ₂ tw(20)
					CNC ^o d(38),CC ₂ r(16),C ^o CN d(13),D . . . O s(10) CNC ^o d(39),CC ₂ r(24),C ^o CN d(20) CNC ^o d(33),CC ₂ r(28),C ^o CN d(25)
116M			120		CNC ^o d(30),ND ob(22)
			131		CNC ^o d(39),CC ₂ r(13),ND ob(12)
			186		CNC ^o d(29),CC ₂ r(22),D . . . O s(15),C ^o CN d(12)

107W				
121			CNC ^a d(30),ND ob(23),CC ₂ r(12)	
137			CNC ^a d(25),CC ₂ r(15),D . . . O s(10),CO ob(10)	
92		92	D . . . O s(20),C ^a C t(17),ND ob(15),NC ^a t(13),CN t(10)	
87		87	C ^a C t(21),ND ob(18),NC ^a t(17),CN t(15),D . . . O s(10)	
91		91	C ^a C t(22),ND ob(19),NC ^a t(19),D . . . O s(13)	
87		87	NC ^a t(36),C ^a C t(26),D . . . O s(15),CN t(10)	
92		92	NC ^a t(26),C ^a C t(25),CN t(22),D . . . O s(13)	
92		92	D . . . O s(92),NC ^a t(21),C ^a C t(20),CO . . . D ib(11)	
80		80	ND ob(25),NC ^a C d(17),ND . . . O ib(17),NC ^a t(10),C ^a C t(10)	
92		92	ND ob(54),NC ^a C d(24),D . . . O s(20)	
45		45	ND ob(27),NC ^a C d(23),ND . . . O ib(11)	
33		33	ND ob(51),NC ^a C d(32),D . . . O s(11)	
40		40	D . . . O s(33),ND ob(28),NC ^a C d(17),NC ^a t(10)	
43		43	ND ob(47),NC ^a C d(26),NC ^a t(19),C ^a C t(14),CN t(13),D . . . O s(13)	
43		43	C ^a C t(46),NC ^a t(25),ND ob(22),NC ^a C d(16),CN t(11)	
31		31	C ^a C t(47),D . . . O s(25)	
31		31	NC ^a t(30),C ^a C t(27),ND . . . O ib(24)	

^a S = strong, M = medium, W = weak, V = very, sh = shoulder, || = parallel dichroism, ⊥ = perpendicular dichroism.

^b In the A and E₂ blocks the modes are grouped in three's. In each group, the first entry is for the 3₀-helix, the second for the α-helix, and the third for the α'-helix. In the E₂ block, only modes due to α- and α'-helices are listed; the first of the group is due to α and the second to α'.

^c s = stretch, as = antisymmetric stretch, ss = symmetric stretch, b = angle bend, ib = in-plane angle bend, ob = out-of-plane angle bend, ab = antisymmetric angle bend, sb = symmetric angle bend, r = rock, d = deformation, t = torsion, tw = twist. Only contributions of 10% or greater are included. Numbers 1 and 2 have been used in parentheses to distinguish the two methyl groups.

^d Unperturbed frequency.

$\nu_A^0 \cong 3260 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ is now seen to be intermediate between those for α - (3279 cm^{-1}) and β -poly(L-alanine) (3242 cm^{-1}).³⁴ This indicates that the hydrogen bond in PAIB is stronger than that in an α -helix, which would be consistent with the proposed 3_{10} -helix structure (and, incidentally, inconsistent with the α' -helix structure—see Table I). Our adjustment of $f(\text{CO})$, $f(\text{NH})$, and $f(\text{H} \cdots \text{O})$ (see above) is reasonably based on this observation and leads to a good prediction of this frequency. [It is important to note that the predicted frequencies of ν_A^0 for the α - and α' -helices are essentially the same as for the 3_{10} -helix because we have, inappropriately, kept these force constants the same for all three structures; this was done in order to examine only the effects of conformational differences. Appropriate values of these force constants would result in a higher predicted frequency for the α -helix ($\sim 3279 \text{ cm}^{-1}$) and a much higher frequency for the α' -helix.]

The ν_B^0 values also support a 3_{10} -helix structure. If, as is likely,³⁴ these two bands arise from overtones of amide II, then their observed difference of 27 cm^{-1} is more consistent with the predicted (and calculated) difference of 28 cm^{-1} for the 3_{10} -helix ($2 \times 1545 - 2 \times 1531 = 3090 - 3062 = 28$) than with the expected difference of 42 cm^{-1} for the other structures. Interestingly, both ν_B^0 values are about 20 cm^{-1} lower than the expected values of the overtones for the 3_{10} -helix, whereas for α -poly(L-alanine), the difference is 4 cm^{-1} .³⁴ This may indicate that the anharmonicities in PAIB are significantly different from those in an α -helix, thus providing further evidence that the structure is not α -helical. Such a difference could arise from the greater crowding of backbone atoms in the 3_{10} -helix than in the α -helix: $\text{C}^\alpha \cdots \text{O}$, $\text{N} \cdots \text{N}$, and $\text{N} \cdots \text{O}$ distances are significantly shorter in the former than in the latter structure.

The CH_3 stretch modes are reasonably well accounted for, although we do not reproduce small splittings in the ir bands nor between ir and Raman. As in a similar situation in α -poly(L-alanine),^{18,21} such splittings may arise from intermolecular $\text{CH}_3 \cdots \text{CH}_3$ interactions.

The observed difference between Raman and ir amide I (mainly CO stretch) modes is 3 cm^{-1} in α -poly(L-alanine)¹⁸ and 9 cm^{-1} in PAIB. The predicted difference for the 3_{10} -helix is 4 cm^{-1} , but this is twice as large as that predicted for the α -helix (with no difference predicted for the α' -helix). As noted above, these splittings are contributed to by transition dipole coupling interactions and reflect the conformational differences between the helices. The absolute frequency agreement cannot be compared because of the use of the same $f(\text{CO})$ force constant for all three structures. If this force constant were adjusted in accordance with the relative hydrogen-bond strengths, then, as discussed above, a higher frequency would be calculated for the α -helix and a much higher frequency for the α' -helix.

The amide II modes (NH in-plane bend plus CN stretch) are very well predicted by the 3_{10} -helix, whereas the α - and α' -helices give sig-

nificantly lower frequencies than are observed. This must be predominantly a conformational effect, since the relevant force constants are the same for all structures.

The CH_3 bend modes are, of course, predicted comparably by all three structures. The frequency agreement is satisfactory, except that the splitting between the 1455_1 and 1467_{\parallel} cm^{-1} bands in the ir is not accounted for by the calculation, probably for reasons similar to those discussed in connection with the CH_3 stretch modes.

In the $1350\text{--}1200\text{-cm}^{-1}$ region, we find bands associated with CC_2 stretch and with amide III (mostly NH in-plane bend) modes. Although the frequency agreement is reasonable for all the structures, the predictions for the 3_{10} -helix are somewhat better, as is seen for bands near 1303 , 1280 , and 1212 cm^{-1} . It is gratifying, if not surprising, that the calculation accounts well for strong ir bands at 1227_1 and 1210_{\parallel} cm^{-1} associated with CC_2 stretch, in a region where no absorption is found for α -poly(L-alanine).^{18,21}

In the $1200\text{--}700\text{-cm}^{-1}$ region, most modes allow no real distinction to be made between the three structures. (We have no explanation for the Raman bands observed in the $1125\text{--}1040\text{-cm}^{-1}$ region: none of the structures predicts such vibrational modes. The intensity level in this region varies from sample to sample and seems to be related to the fluorescence of the sample.) The observed bands near 820M cm^{-1} distinctly favor the 3_{10} -helix (although this is countered by the poorer agreement for the 762W Raman band).

In the conformation-sensitive region below 700 cm^{-1} , several observed bands strongly favor the 3_{10} -helix. Thus, the amide V (NH out-of-plane bend plus CN torsion) modes at 694S_1 and $680\text{M}_1\text{ cm}^{-1}$ in the ir are very well accounted for by the 3_{10} -helix, but very large discrepancies occur for the α - and α' -helices. A Raman band at 642W cm^{-1} is satisfactorily predicted by the 3_{10} -helix structure but not as well by the others. The observed bands near 425 cm^{-1} are best accounted for by the 3_{10} -helix. And the correct order of the 367M_1 and $362\text{S}_1\text{ CC}_2$ wag modes is given only by the 3_{10} -helix.

In summary, several key features in the comparison between observed and calculated frequencies of PAIB definitively favor a predominant 3_{10} -helix conformation of this polypeptide in monolayer films. The α' -helix is clearly disfavored.

Poly(α -Aminoisobutyric Acid)-ND

The results of N-deuteration are consistent with the normal mode calculation on PAIB. They also favor, although not as conclusively, the 3_{10} -helix.

The ND stretch modes are found at 2414S and 2460M cm^{-1} in the ir. In distinction to α -poly(L-alanine),³⁴ the fundamental contributes mostly to the lower frequency. Also, no splitting is observed in amide

B', which was the case for PAIB. From the observed integrated area ratio $I_B/I_A = 0.794$, we find $\nu_A^0 = 2434$ and $\nu_B^0 = 2440 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. The calculated ND stretch frequency, using the same value of $f(\text{NH})$ as in PAIB, is 37 cm^{-1} lower than ν_A^0 . This is similar to the situation for α - and β -poly(L-alanine-ND),³⁴ where differences of $40\text{--}50\text{-cm}^{-1}$ occur, and is probably due to different anharmonicities in PAIB and PAIB-ND. If ν_B^0 is associated with a combination similar to that found in poly(L-alanine-ND),³⁴ namely, between amide II' (mainly CN plus C α C stretch) and ND in-plane bend, then a possibility is $1472(E_1) + 966(E_1) = 2438(A)$. The specific combination may be uncertain because of lack of information about anharmonicities.

The CO stretch mode is found to shift down by 16 cm^{-1} in the ir, from 1656 to 1640 cm^{-1} , significantly more than the 8 cm^{-1} observed in α -poly(L-alanine).^{18,21} (We attribute the observed ir bands near 1655 and 1650 cm^{-1} to the presence of a significant amount of undeuterated material.) The calculated decreases are 10 , 8 , and 7 cm^{-1} for the 3_{10} -, α -, and α' -helices, respectively. The comparable Raman shift is 7 cm^{-1} compared to 3 cm^{-1} for α -poly(L-alanine). The calculated shift in this case is 6 cm^{-1} , the same for all three structures.

The appearance of the amide II' mode at 1472 cm^{-1} is expected and reasonably well predicted. The CH_3 antisymmetric bend modes of PAIB near $1467(\text{ir})$ and $1450(\text{R}) \text{ cm}^{-1}$ are also observed in PAIB-ND, but what is surprising is that other CH_3 bend modes appear in the spectra of the deuterated molecule. This would seem to be the case for the surprisingly strong new band at 1424 cm^{-1} (which is not too well predicted) and a CH_3 symmetric bend mode near 1375 cm^{-1} . Assuming these assignments to be correct, such intensity changes may arise from a change in the local environment of the CH_3 groups.

The observed bands in PAIB having a significant NH in-plane bend component, viz., at $1339(\text{R})$, $1313(\text{R})$, and $1280(\text{R},\text{ir}) \text{ cm}^{-1}$, disappear, as expected, on N-deuteration, which is well accounted for by the calculation on PAIB-ND. As a result, although some of the other modes in this general region ($1350\text{--}1150 \text{ cm}^{-1}$) are predicted to remain essentially constant, and do (e.g., near 1230 and 1210 cm^{-1}), still others are expected to shift: the mode near 1300 cm^{-1} is predicted to shift up slightly, but is found to move about the same amount in the opposite direction; and the mode near 1170 cm^{-1} is predicted to shift up significantly and change in character, and the observed band in PAIB is absent in the spectra of PAIB-ND. It is difficult to choose between the structures on the basis of this region, although the small shift in the $1210(\text{ir}) \text{ cm}^{-1}$ band and the frequency agreement for the $1229(\text{R}) \text{ cm}^{-1}$ band would both tend to favor the 3_{10} -helix. Incidentally, the new bands in PAIB-ND near 1010 and 980 cm^{-1} due to ND in-plane bend are moderately well accounted for by the calculation, although they can provide no diagnostic help because of the uncertainties about anharmonicities.

In the 1000–500-cm⁻¹ region, the skeletal stretch and deformation modes behave generally as predicted, with a tendency to favor the 3₁₀-helix. The 950(R) cm⁻¹ band of PAIB is predicted to shift down by about 5 cm⁻¹, and is observed to do so. The predicted downward shift of the PAIB bands near 920 cm⁻¹ is found, although a structural preference is not possible. The case of the 908(R) cm⁻¹ band of PAIB is an interesting one. It is predicted to undergo a large shift in PAIB-ND, which is found, with this shift being in slightly better agreement with the 3₁₀-helix than the α -helix and in very poor agreement with the predictions of the α' -helix. As in PAIB, the bands near 820 cm⁻¹ clearly favor the 3₁₀-helix, as is now true of the 762(R) cm⁻¹ band and continues to be the case for the 640(R) cm⁻¹ band. The 583(R) cm⁻¹ band of PAIB is poorly reproduced by the 3₁₀-helix, but this may be due to the contribution of ND out-of-plane bend. A similar problem may exist with the 526(ir) cm⁻¹ band. The calculation suggests that the character and frequency of the 505(ir) cm⁻¹ band of PAIB should change significantly in PAIB-ND, but this is not apparent, and it is therefore difficult to use this band as an indicator of structure.

Below 500 cm⁻¹, N-deuteration does not produce many changes in PAIB-ND as compared to PAIB. It is interesting, however, that a calculated A-species mode near 430 cm⁻¹ in PAIB, for which there was no observed counterpart, is predicted to shift down significantly in PAIB-ND, and the new observed 416(R) cm⁻¹ band is in distinctly better agreement with the 3₁₀-helix.

CONCLUSIONS

The ir and Raman spectra of PAIB prepared as monomolecular films, when combined with normal mode calculations on 3₁₀, α -, and α' -helices, indicate strongly that the chain backbone has a 3₁₀-helix conformation. This is in agreement with conclusions reached from electron diffraction studies.^{7,8}

It is not only that the average discrepancy between observed and calculated frequencies is significantly less for the 3₁₀-helix as compared to the other two helical structures, although this is the case: for observed bands below 1700 cm⁻¹ the average observed discrepancy is 5.9 cm⁻¹ for the 3₁₀-helix, 10.1 cm⁻¹ for the α -helix, and 12.5 cm⁻¹ for the α' -helix. (We note that a discrepancy of 5–6 cm⁻¹ is typical of that found for the standard α -helix and β -sheet structures to which the force field was refined.²³) More importantly, certain special features of the spectra are accounted for better by the 3₁₀-helix: the presence and observed splitting of the two ν_B^0 modes, where only one band is seen for the α -helix; the larger splitting between ir and Raman amide I modes than is predicted, or found, for α -helix structures; the significantly higher amide II frequency; and the significantly better agreement for the amide V mode. Other, more general, agreement with the 3₁₀-helix is evident throughout the spectral range.

These results demonstrate the power of normal mode analysis in permitting critical distinctions in conformation to be made from vibrational spectra.

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