





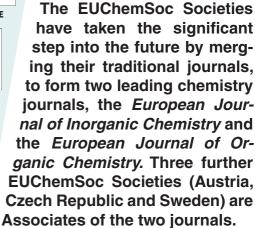






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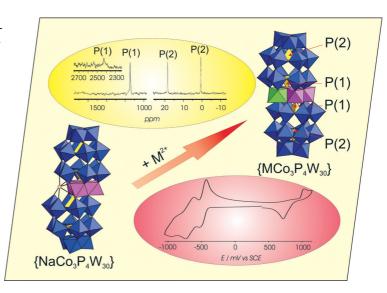
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The cover picture shows the synthesis of the mixedmetal Dawson sandwich complexes [MCo₃(H₂O)₂- $(P_2W_{15}O_{56})_2]^{16-}$ by the addition of the transition metal cation M^{2+} to the "lacunary" sandwich complex $[NaCo_3(H_2O)_2(P_2W_{15}O_{56})_2]^{17-}$. This "lacunary" species is a good precursor for the preparation mixed-metal sandwich complexes, with promising interesting catalytic, electrocatalytic and magnetic properties. Details of the synthesis and the structural characterization in solution are discussed in the article by L. Ruhlmann and R. Thouvenot on p. 1493 ff.



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