REACTIONS BETWEEN CHROMIUM FLUORIDES AND NOBLE GAS FLUORIDES

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In the system chromium(V) fluoride - xenon(II) fluoride besides of already known $XeF_2.2CrF_4$ [1] also a new blue xenon(II) fluorochromate(IV) was isolated by the reaction: $CrF_5 + nXeF_2 \rightarrow XeF_2.CrF_4 + 1/2XeF_4 + (n-1.5)XeF_2$. This compound was obtained also by the reaction: $CrF_4 + nXeF_2 \rightarrow XeF_2.CrF_4 + (n-1)XeF_2$. Xenon difluoride is not able to oxidize chromium above 3 + oxidation state. Brick red $XeF_6.CrF_4$ [2] was isolated in the system chromium fluorides (CrF_x with x being 2, 3, 4, 5) - xenon hexafluoride. It is observed that CrF_5 is reduced to 4 + oxidation state even in oxidative environment of xenon hexafluoride. Although considered as a relatively strong Lewis acid, CrF_5 is not strong enough to form its XeF_5^+ salt. From vibrational spectra it could be concluded that $XeF_2.CrF_4$ is XeF^+ salt and $XeF_6.CrF_4$ is XeF_5^+ salt. The anionic parts of both spectra are similar. In the system chromium fluorides-krypton difluoride only chromium pentafluoride is obtained. A new method [3] designed for the preparation of polymeric in AHF insoluble binary fluorides was used for the preparation of CrF_4 . Its magnetic measurements indicate strong interactions between chromium atoms.

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