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Abstract Tetracyanoplatinates with protonated alcohol, amine, and glycine molecules as cations were prepared. The structures were studied with respect to formation of isostructural, partially oxidized phases. Unsolvated $\text{H}_2\text{Pt}(\text{CN})_4$ was prepared and characterized.

INTRODUCTION

Charges and sizes of cations are of special importance for columnar structures of tetracyanoplatinates (tcp), since columnar stacking implies restrictions for the arrangements of negative charges (mainly on cyanide N atoms); that is all the more true for partially oxidized (po) phases with Pt-Pt distances less than 3.0 \AA and is the main reason why po phases are not simply cation defect or anion doped versions of unoxidized phases. Their much smaller columnar repeat distance requires a different structure in order to provide the cation with a proper coordination sphere.

The smallest cation H^+ , however, behaves otherwise, because it can be solvated by molecules of different shapes and sizes, and its coordination number is two, normally. If the solvated cation contains more than one H, positive charge could be delocalized. Related isostructural po structures might be obtained by producing proton defects. Only anion doped po phases of tcp have been described so far: ammonium¹ and guanidinium² tetracyanoplatinate.

ROH SOLVATES AND $\text{H}_2\text{Pt}(\text{CN})_4$

Evaporation of aqueous solutions of $\text{H}_2\text{Pt}(\text{CN})_4$, easily made by ion

exchange of salt solutions leads to unseparable mixtures of differently colored phases. By dissolving these mixtures in alcohols, a series of crystallizable solvates were prepared. With CH_3OH , no solvate could be isolated; solvate phases with other alcohols are described in Table 1. A single crystal structure determination of $(\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH}_2)_2\text{tcp}^3$ showed H bridging of cations between tcp chains. $n-(\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{OH}_2)_2\text{tcp}$ is isostructural with greater c value due to the large alkyl group. Columnar solvate structures were also obtained with bifunctional molecules like $\text{HOC}_2\text{H}_4\text{OH}$ and $\text{H}_2\text{NC}_2\text{H}_4\text{OH}$. All observed structures, (2) to (5) in Table 1, appear to be unfavorable for the formation of related isostructural po phases.

Desolvating $(\text{ROH}_2)_2\text{tcp}$ yields unsolvated H_2tcp as a yellow polycrystalline compound, (1) in Table 1, which reacts with moist air to an unrelated po phase $(\text{H}_3\text{O})_{1.8}\text{tcp}^3$.

GLYCINE SOLVATES

The protonated form of aminoacetic acid (glycine, gly) exists in strongly acidic solutions. This cation glyH^+ is component of some tcp salts. Their composition and single crystal data are given in Table 1, (6)(7). Under less acid conditions and in the presence of NH_4^+ , salts with glyH and NH_4 cations are formed, (9)(10). Almost neutral reaction mixtures lead to $(\text{gly})(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{tcp}$, (11).

Crystal structures have been determined for (6) and (7). The latter is a columnar structure, which can be oxidized to a related isostructural po phase (8), which is being studied. The Pt distance shrinks from 3.17 Å in (7) to 2.95 in (8), while a and b constants slightly increase.

ETHYLENEDIAMMONIUM TETRACYANOPLATINATE

With ethylenediamine (en) and aqueous H_2tcp , yellow $(\text{enH}_2)\text{tcp}(\text{H}_2\text{O})$ was prepared. A crystal structure determination (12)⁴ found RNH_3 protons alone taking part in H bridges between chains. Optical

TABLE 1 Crystal data of H₂Pt(CN)₄ and solvates studied

formula	a alpha	b beta	c / Å gamma	Pt distance; remarks
(1) H ₂ tcp tetragonal	8.75	8.75	7.58	not columnar; yellow
(2) (C ₂ H ₅ OH ₂) ₂ tcp tetragonal	14.28	14.28	6.49	3.25; red
(3) (C ₃ H ₇ OH ₂) ₂ tcp tetragonal	14.21	14.21	7.30	3.65; colorless
(4) (H ₂ OC ₂ H ₄ OH ₂)tcp tetragonal	14.44	14.44	13.36	3.34; orange
(5) (H ₃ NC ₂ H ₄ OH ₂)tcp triclinic	9.67 93.1	9.73 94.2	14.08 90.8	3.52; colorless
(6) (glyH) ₂ tcp monoclinic	8.15 90	16.43 90	5.04 97.67	not columnar; colorl.
(7) (glyH)(H ₃ O)tcp tetragonal	13.47	13.47	19.04	3.17; dark red
(8) (glyH) _x (H ₃ O) _y tcp tetragonal	13.76	13.76	5.90	2.95; dark brown
(9) (glyH)(NH ₄)tcp tetragonal	13.63	13.63	10.65	3.55; greenish
(10) (glyH) ₃ (NH ₄)(tcp) ₂ monoclinic	9.60 90	22.93 109.2	20.40 90	3.24; orange
(11) (NH ₄) ₂ (gly)tcp monoclinic	12.84 90	12.84 90.8	10.21 90	3.40; yellow
(12) (enH ₂)tcp(H ₂ O) _{0.5} orthorhombic	13.08	16.24	9.51	3.27; yellow
tcp = Pt(CN) ₄ gly = glycine en = ethylenediamine				

properties have already been reported.⁵

Anodic oxidation leads to a po phase with similar sublattice dimensions except the chain direction *a*, which decreases giving Pt-Pt 2.95 Å. Closer examination (still under way) revealed a very complicated 3D superstructure and no simple proton defect structure since the composition is $(\text{enH}_2)_{0.84}(\text{H}_3\text{O})_{0.14}\text{tcp}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_{0.5}$.

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