

$^{109}\text{Ag}$  NMR SPECTRA OF AQUEOUS SILVER IONS COORDINATED WITH NITROXIDE RADICAL.  
SILVER-TANOL COMPLEX AND TANOL AS A DOPING AGENT

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The effects of TANOL radical have been examined on chemical shifts and relaxation rates of  $^{109}\text{Ag}$  nmr in aqueous solution of silver salts. The silver ion in aqueous solution is found to coordinate with TANOL radical. A small amount of TANOL is added as a doping agent (0.020M), since  $^{109}\text{Ag}$  signals are obtained for (1.0M) silver ion within 30 minutes. The  $^{109}\text{Ag}$  chemical shifts of silver salt in aqueous solutions were found within the range of 0 to -1000 ppm relative to that of 1.0M  $\text{AgNO}_3$ .

Silver nuclei  $^{107}\text{Ag}$  and  $^{109}\text{Ag}$  are not facile and profitable to nmr investigations, because they resonate at a very low frequency and have very small sensitivity. Another difficulty with  $^{109}\text{Ag}$  nmr measurements arises from the fact that this nucleus has an extremely long relaxation time. As a result of these experimental difficulties, there have been only a few papers<sup>1-7)</sup> on nmr studies of silver nuclei.

We have observed that  $^{109}\text{Ag}$  spectra of silver salt solutions (1.0M or less) can be obtained with a short repetition time (2-3 s), when a small amount of TANOL (2,2,6,6-tetramethyl-4-hydroxypiperidine-1-oxyl)<sup>8)</sup> is added as a doping agent (0.020M). The  $^{109}\text{Ag}$  chemical shifts of aqueous silver salt solutions lie in the range of 0 to -1000 ppm relative to that of 1.0M  $\text{AgNO}_3$ . We also indicated that silver ion forms the bimolecular coordinate bond with TANOL. We estimated the positive scalar hyperfine coupling constant for the  $^{109}\text{Ag}$  nucleus and lifetime between the odd electron and silver nucleus in the complex consisting of silver ion and TANOL.

Natural abundance  $^{109}\text{Ag}$  spectra were obtained at 4.11 MHz from samples in 10 mm tubes on a JEOL FX 90Q spectrometer in Fourier transform mode. The measurements were made at ambient temperature, ca. 30°C. 500-700 transients of 2-3 s were accumulated with pulse angles of 45°. The signals of silver salts

were very sharp. An external field frequency  $^2\text{D}$  lock( $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ ) was used. All chemical shifts for  $^{109}\text{Ag}$  are defined by the equation that  $\Delta\delta_{\text{sam}} = (\nu_{\text{ref}} - \nu_{\text{sam}})/\nu_{\text{ref}}$ , where  $\nu_{\text{sam}}$  is the resonance frequency of the sample and  $\nu_{\text{ref}}$  is the reference frequency. The lower the shielding, the more negative is the shift formulated in this manner. A 1.0M  $\text{AgNO}_3$  solution is taken as the chemical shift reference for all  $^{109}\text{Ag}$  measurements. When samples of 1.0M silver salt solutions contained 0.020M of TANOL as a doping agent, we corrected the chemical shifts as -10 ppm from Figure 1:  $\Delta\delta \simeq (\text{Const.}) \cdot (\text{N}/\text{No})$ , where N, No are the concentrations of TANOL and  $\text{AgNO}_3$ , respectively. The bulk susceptibility corrections were made with  $^1\text{H}$  water resonance within the error of  $\pm 0.5$  ppm. The  $T_1$  was measured by  $180^\circ - \tau - 90^\circ$  pulse sequence and  $T_2$  evaluated from signal widths at half-height. The line shape of the  $^{109}\text{Ag}$  spectra is assumed to be Lorentzian. All the compounds used here were commercially available. The solutions for the silver spectra in Table 1 were freshly made before use by completely dissolving a large amount of ligands (more than 2.0M), then dissolving the silver salts because some silver salts except silver nitrate are only sparingly soluble in water.

We investigated the radical effect on  $^{109}\text{Ag}$  resonance positions and relaxation time in a 2.0M concentration of silver nitrate. The  $^{109}\text{Ag}$  nmr signal of  $\text{AgNO}_3$  in aqueous solution showed a downfield shift and a broadening with further addition of TANOL. The  $^{109}\text{Ag}$  chemical shift was -24.5 ppm for  $\text{AgNO}_3/\text{TANOL}$  aqueous solution in which the molar ratio of  $\text{AgNO}_3$  to TANOL is 20. The relaxation times are  $(83 \pm 0.5)\text{ms}$  for  $T_1$  and  $(1.6 \pm 0.3)\text{ms}$  for  $T_2$ . As is shown in Figure 1, this downfield shift is proportional to the concentration of added TANOL. The shift is most likely caused by the Fermi contact interaction (theory of Bloembergen<sup>9</sup>) between a silver nucleus and a TANOL radical. This trend is also explained by the relaxation study. The  $T_1/T_2$  ratio is 52, indicating the predominance of the Fermi contact term in the line width

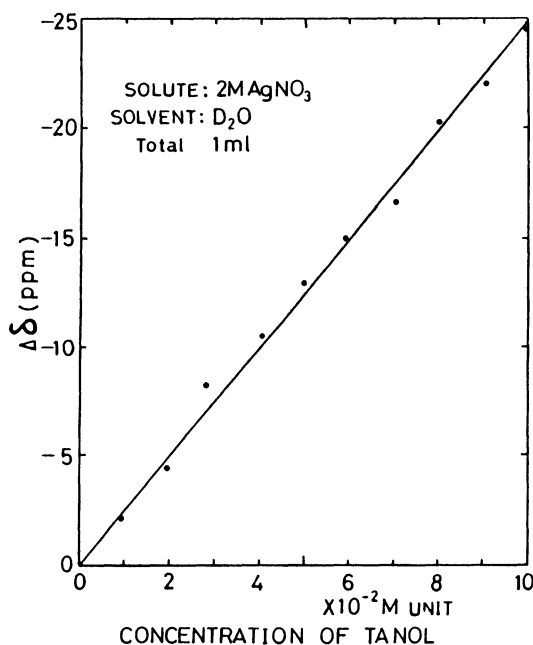


Figure 1.  $^{109}\text{Ag}$  chemical shift at  $30^\circ\text{C}$  versus the concentration of added TANOL radical.

by using Solomon-Bloembergen(S-B) equations.<sup>10)</sup> These results indicate that the silver ion forms a bimolecular coordinate bond (complex) with TANOL.

In the case of this bimolecular complex formation, we can estimate the scalar coupling constant for the  $^{109}\text{Ag}$  nucleus and its lifetime in the  $\text{Ag}^+$ -TANOL complex. The relationship between the shift and the scalar coupling is approximated by Solomon's equation:

$$\Delta H/H = - \frac{\gamma_e A_{\text{Ag}} N n}{4 \gamma_{\text{Ag}} kT N_0} \quad (1)$$

where  $N, N_0$  are the numbers of radical and silver ion particles/cm<sup>3</sup>, respectively;  $n$  is the number of silver ion molecules in the solvation sphere;  $\gamma_{\text{Ag}}, \gamma_e$  are the magnetogyric ratios of the silver and electron spin. We thus obtained a positive scalar hyperfine coupling constant ( $A_{\text{Ag}}$ ) of 0.86 MHz. The rate of chemical exchange ( $\tau_e$ ) in the  $\text{Ag}^+$ -TANOL complex is estimated with the help of the S-B equations. The dipolar terms can be assumed to give nearly equal contributions to  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  and that  $(\omega_s \tau_e)^2 \gg 1$ , because the  $T_1/T_2$  ratio is 52. Therefore, the simplified equation may be expressed as

$$(1/T_2)_{\text{obsd}} - (1/T_1)_{\text{obsd}} \approx (A_{\text{Ag}}/2\hbar)^2 \frac{N n \tau_e}{N_0} \quad (2)$$

Using the notation of references,<sup>10-12)</sup> we obtained  $\tau_e \approx 1.7 \times 10^{-9}$ s.

This value appears to correspond to those of the paramagnetic metal ion-water complexes obtained by nmr experiments<sup>13)</sup> ( $\tau_e \approx 10^{-9}$ s). Table 1 presents the chemical shift data for a number of  $^{109}\text{Ag}$  resonances in solutions containing TANOL as a doping agent.

The chemical shifts

Table 1.  $^{109}\text{Ag}$  chemical shifts for various silver salts in aqueous solution.

silver salt	solution( in H <sub>2</sub> O ) addend	chemical shift(ppm)*
AgNO <sub>3</sub> (1.0M)	N(CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH) <sub>3</sub> (4.0M)	-232
AgNO <sub>3</sub> (1.0M)	HN(CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH) <sub>2</sub> (4.0M)	-306
AgNO <sub>3</sub> (1.0M)	H <sub>2</sub> NCH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH(4.0M)	-363
AgBr(0.072M)	NaBr(4.0M)	-623+
AgI(1.0M)	NaI(4.0M)	-739
AgCl(1.0M)	Na <sub>2</sub> S <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> (4.0M)	-826
AgNO <sub>3</sub> (1.0M)	KSCN(6.0M)	-951

\*More negative values refer to lower shielding.  
+ 27500 transients of 5s were collected for  $^{109}\text{Ag}$  spectrum of the aqueous solution of 0.072M AgBr in 4.0M NaBr.

span a range of -1000 ppm. Such large variations in shielding are attributed to domination of the shielding constant by local paramagnetic contributions.<sup>14)</sup>

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