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Intercalation in the Linear-Chain Compound MoO₂HPO₄·H₂O

The structure of hydrated molybdenyl hydrogen phosphate, MoO₂HPO₄·H₂O consists of bent MoO₂ groups coordinated by water molecules and linked into double chains by tetrahedral PO₃OH units. This one-dimensional material has been shown to undergo reversible intercalation reactions with a variety of small organic molecules, particularly alcohols, and water to form new crystalline phases in which the molybdenyl phosphate chains remain essentially unaltered. The molybdenum coordination in the host is approximately octahedral with three bonds to hydrogen phosphate groups, a trans pair delineating the chain, and the other in the MoO₂(OH₂) plane connecting to the other half of the double chain.¹ Powder X-ray diffraction and infrared data demonstrate that the intercalated species are hydrogen-bonded between the inorganic chains.

MoO₂HPO₄·H₂O¹ shows structural similarities to UO₂HP-O₄·H₂O,² β-VOHPO₄·2H₂O,³ Zr(HPO₄)₂·nH₂O,⁴ and particularly VOHPO₄·4H₂O,⁵ where tetrahedral (hydrogen) phosphate groups link together the approximately octahedrally coordinated transition metals. As the metal oxidation state rises in this family of compounds, the coordination environment of the metal ion becomes increasingly distorted, with one short vanadium-oxygen bond in β-VOHPO₄·2H₂O and two molybdenum-oxygen double bonds in MoO₂HPO₄·H₂O. The uranium and zirconium materials together with β-VOHPO₄·2H₂O have two-dimensional layer structures, but VOHPO₄·4H₂O has a double-chain structure similar to that of molybdenyl hydrogen phosphate. Intercalation reactions with a range of small organic molecules⁶⁻⁹ are well-known in this type of compound. For example, materials of composition VOPO₄·(1-2)ROH may be synthesized from anhydrous VOPO₄ via a vapor-phase reaction with ROH; the alcohol molecules in these intercalates may be displaced by water. Other vanadium

Table I

intercalated species	reacn time at 298 K in vapor	stoichiom of product
H ₂ O	3 days	MoO ₂ HPO ₄ ·3.9(±0.1)H ₂ O
CH ₃ OH	3 days	MoO ₂ HPO ₄ ·H ₂ O·2.0(±0.2)CH ₃ OH
CH ₃ OH	3 days and 1 h (air)	MoO ₂ HPO ₄ ·H ₂ O·1.0(±0.05)CH ₃ OH
CH ₃ CH ₂ OH	1 month	MoO ₂ HPO ₄ ·H ₂ O·0.6(±0.1)CH ₃ CH ₂ OH
(CH ₃) ₂ CHOH	3 months	MoO ₂ HPO ₄ ·H ₂ O·1.0(±0.1)-(CH ₃) ₂ CHOH

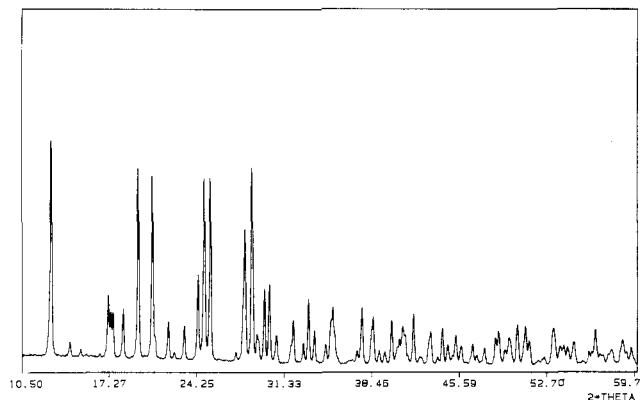


Figure 1. Powder X-ray diffraction data collected from MoO₂HPO₄·4H₂O in the 2θ range 10–60° with Cu Kα₁ radiation.

compounds that undergo intercalation reactions with alcohols are vanadium organophosphonates^{10,11} and layered vanadium sulfates.¹²

MoO₂HPO₄·H₂O was prepared by following the method described by Kierkegaard.¹³ The intercalation of alcohols and additional water was achieved by equilibration of the crystalline solid with the vapor above the liquid in a closed apparatus. Reactions with water and methanol vapor were generally complete within 3 days; however, reactions with the larger species (ethanol, 2-propanol) took several weeks. Heating MoO₂HPO₄·H₂O with DMSO resulted in a different type of reaction, in which water was displaced from the solid. The progress of the reaction was most easily followed by using Raman spectroscopy. Although minor shifts (10–15 cm⁻¹) were observed in most cases, the bands are strong and sharp; particularly diagnostic in determining the extent of reaction is the disappearance of the substrate band at 885 cm⁻¹ (presently unassigned), which is not observed in any of the intercalates.

Successful reactions have been achieved with a large range of alcohols and amines, but we report here our results for the better characterized water, methanol, ethanol, and 2-propanol intercalates. Table I summarizes the stoichiometry of the intercalation products as determined from weight changes during the uptake reaction, with thermogravimetric and C, H, N analyses. For methanol an initial product of approximate formula [MoO₂HP-O₄·H₂O]·2CH₃OH was converted to a more stable 1:1 intercalate at 30 °C after 1 h in air. In general for the alcohol intercalates the initial product seemed to undergo further slow transformations when removed from the saturated vapor.

Powder X-ray diffraction data were collected for each of the materials with use of an INEL position sensitive detector based system. The data obtained for the higher hydrate [MoO₂HP-O₄·H₂O]·3H₂O is shown in Figure 1. A feature of all the diffraction patterns, including the parent material, is a strong reflection at approximately 28.1° (*d* spacing 3.152 Å), which

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Table II. Cell Dimensions and Densities

compd	refined cell params ^a	density, g cm ⁻³	
		calcd	measd
MoO ₂ HPO ₄ ·H ₂ O (1)	6.986, 6.344, 6.710 90.0, 109.9, 90.0	2.90	2.89
MoO ₂ HPO ₄ ·3.94(±0.1)H ₂ O	9.436 (1), 6.312 (2), 7.716 (1) 108.15 (2), 75.32 (1), 97.70 (2)	2.31	2.32
MoO ₂ HPO ₄ ·H ₂ O·(CH ₃) ₂ COH	13.07 (2), 6.349 (4), 8.29 (3) 90.0, 106.5 (2), 90.0	3.04	2.7 ^b
MoO ₂ HPO ₄ ·H ₂ O·CH ₃ OH	6.983 (4), 6.342 (2), 16.96 (2) 90.0, 90.0, 90.0	2.42	2.39

^aThe first row for each compound entry gives the *a*, *b*, and *c* values (in Å) and the second row the α , β , and γ values (in deg). ^bThis sample was unstable and decomposed slowly in the haloalkane flotation mixture.

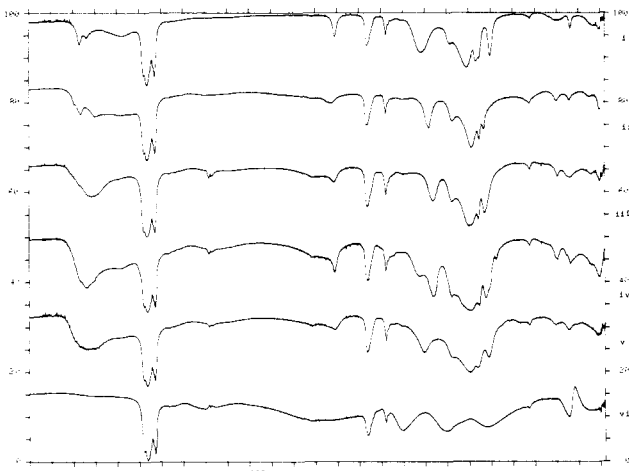


Figure 2. Infrared spectra of (i) MoO₂HPO₄·H₂O, (ii) MoO₂HPO₄·4H₂O, (iii) MoO₂HPO₄·H₂O·CH₃OH, (iv) MoO₂HPO₄·H₂O·C₂H₅OH, (v) MoO₂HPO₄·H₂O·(CH₃)₂CHOH, and (vi) KH₂PO₄.

corresponds to half the repeat distance along the molybdenyl phosphate chains. The indexing of the data was attempted by using the VISSER program¹⁴ following careful calibration of the apparatus. High figures of merit were found for the materials [MoO₂HPO₄·H₂O]·CH₃OH and [MoO₂HPO₄·H₂O]·3H₂O; fewer good-quality peaks were obtained for [MoO₂HPO₄·H₂O]·(CH₃)₂CHOH, but the data could be successfully indexed manually. For these phases the data were fully indexed and the cell parameters refined; results are summarized in Table II. Densities calculated from these unit cells and the determined compositions are also compared with those measured by flotation in Table II. Indexation of the 1:2 methanol and 1:1 ethanol intercalates was of poorer quality, and we are unsure of the true unit cells in these materials.

Infrared data, collected on a Perkin-Elmer 1700 FT instrument for each of the materials, are shown in Figure 2 together with those of the parent compound and KH₂PO₄. The absorption at 3150 cm⁻¹ in MoO₂HPO₄·H₂O has been assigned to the OH stretch of the strongly hydrogen bonded hydrogen phosphate group (OH...O = 1.75 Å) which links the double chains together. Following intercalation this band weakens considerably, indicating that this hydrogen bond is broken, consistent with the intercalation of the organic molecules between the chains. The ethanol and methanol intercalates show some absorption at around this wavenumber, probably indicating a strongly hydrogen bonded OH is present after the reaction. A broad absorption is apparent around 3400 cm⁻¹, which would indicate the formation of several weaker hydrogen bonds in the intercalates probably between the OH groups on the guest species and molybdenyl phosphate chains. The strong absorption at 1620 cm⁻¹ remains in all the spectra, indicating that the molybdenyl remains coordinated to water. In addition, very broad, weak bands at around 2300 and 1700 cm⁻¹ are strongly reminiscent of the "type I"¹⁵ spectrum of KH₂PO₄

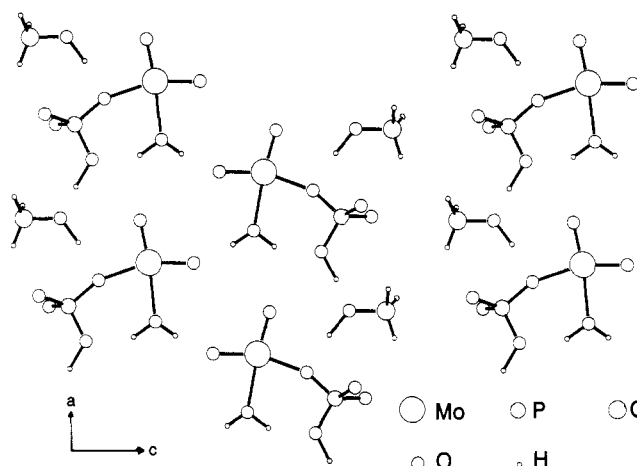


Figure 3. Section of the proposed structure of MoO₂HPO₄·H₂O·CH₃OH viewed down the molybdenyl hydrogen phosphate double chains (larger units). Intercalating sections are related by a center of inversion, generating the double chains along *b* with alternating approximately octahedral molybdenum and tetrahedral phosphorus as in the parent material (1). The smaller methanol molecules form a double row in the *a* direction strongly hydrogen bonded to the hydrogen phosphate group.

and may indicate that very strong hydrogen bonds (OH...O = 1.5 Å) are formed between the hydrogen phosphate and the intercalate OH groups.

In all cases the reactions were found to be reversible; intercalated products heated in air to 70 °C reverted to the parent structure as shown by powder X-ray diffraction.

Discussion. The intercalates of methanol and the higher hydrate are the most highly crystalline products and have thus been easiest to characterize. The unit cell of MoO₂HPO₄·4H₂O can be derived from that of the parent material by tilting of the molybdenyl chains and some expansion of the *a* and *c* directions to accommodate the additional water molecules. We intend to investigate this material further as a potential fast proton conductor by analogy with α -zirconium phosphate and hydrogen uranyl phosphate which have well-characterized high proton mobility.¹⁶ The parent compound MoO₂HPO₄·H₂O is a relatively poor proton conductor, as it has no interchain water molecules that can help in proton transfer through a Grotthus type mechanism.¹⁷ The unit cell of [MoO₂HPO₄·H₂O]·CH₃OH can be obtained from that of the parent compound by an expansion of 0.25 Å along the *a* direction and doubling of *c'* (the parent compound cell diagonal) to give a new orthorhombic cell. Systematic absences in the X-ray powder pattern indicate that the configuration of some of the molybdenyl phosphate chains has become inverted, probably by proton migration. A proposed structure in the space group *Pnma* is shown in Figure 3, where methanol has become incorporated in channels between alternate layers of the molybdenyl hydrogen phosphate chains. An X-ray pattern calculated on this basis is shown in Figure 4 in comparison with the experimental data and is in good

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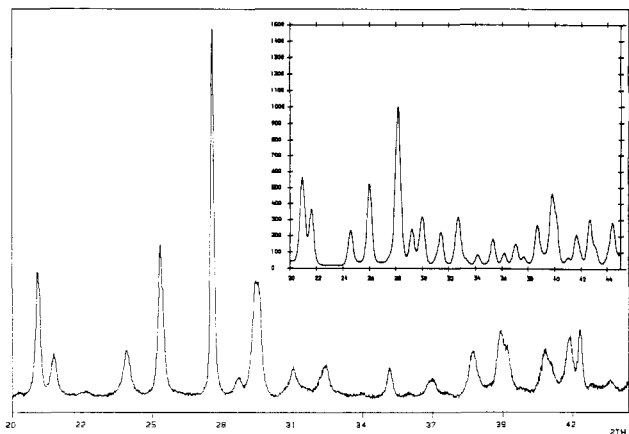


Figure 4. Powder X-ray diffraction data obtained from $\text{MoO}_2\text{HPO}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O} \cdot \text{CH}_3\text{OH}$. The inset gives the calculated pattern over the same angular range for the structure shown in Figure 3.

agreement, supporting this model. Structure determination with high-resolution powder X-ray and neutron diffraction methods is in progress.

$\text{MoO}_2\text{HPO}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ has been shown to undergo reversible intercalation reactions; as such this system may provide a vehicle for the preparation of mixed inorganic-organic polymers with alternating molybdenyl phosphate and carbon-based chains.

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Stereoselective Electron-Transfer Reaction between Ferrocyanide and Tris(acetylacetonato)cobalt(III)

In the last decade, there has been considerable interest in electron-transfer reactions between biological molecules and transition-metal complexes,¹ because many biological molecules participating in electron-transfer reactions include transition-metal ions in their important sites. However, stereoselectivity has not

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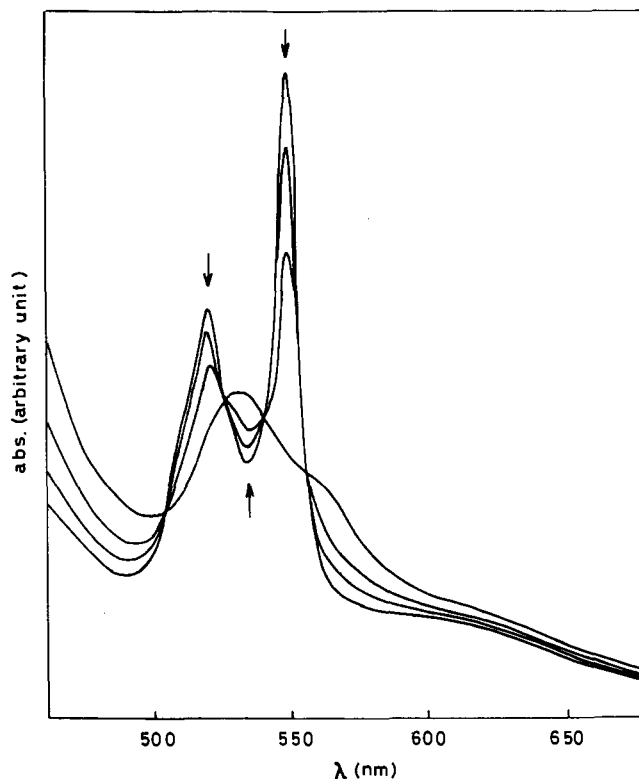


Figure 1. Absorption spectral changes in the $\text{Co}(\text{acac})_3$ reduction by cyt $c(\text{II})$. Reaction conditions: pH 4.0,⁴ $\mu = 0.1 \text{ M}$, $[\text{cyt } c(\text{II})] = 2.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$, $[\text{Co}(\text{acac})_3] = 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M}$. Spectra were taken at the following times (h): 0, 0.5, 2, 38.

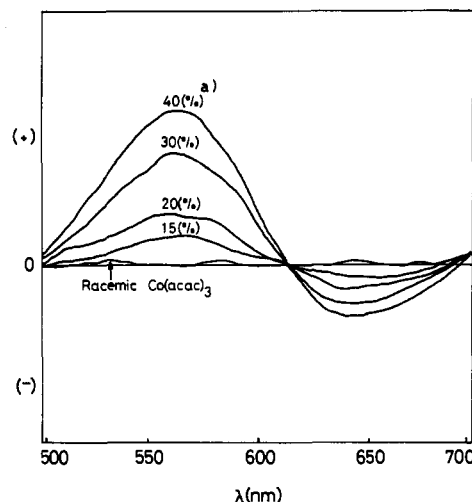


Figure 2. CD spectra of remaining $\text{Co}(\text{acac})_3$ ((a) ethanol volume percent). Reaction conditions: pH 4.0,⁴ $\mu = 0.1 \text{ M}$.

been investigated yet in such electron-transfer reactions,² whereas high stereoselectivity is one of the important characteristic features of biological reactions. In the present work, a stereoselective electron-transfer reaction between ferrocyanide (cyt $c(\text{II})$) and the hydrophobic tris(acetylacetonato)cobalt(III), $\text{Co}(\text{acac})_3$, is investigated. $\text{Co}(\text{acac})_3$ is selected here as a substrate, because

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