

Hydrothermal Syntheses and Crystal Structures of Two Novel, Hybrid Materials Based on Secondary Transition-Metal-Incorporated Polyoxovanadate Cluster Backbones: [Cd(dien)₂]₂[(dien)CdAs₈V₁₃O₄₁(H₂O)]·4H₂O and [Cd(en)₂]₂[(en)₂Cd₂As₈V₁₂O₄₀]

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Two new cadmium-substituted polyoxovanadates of $[Cd(dien)_2]_2[(dien)CdAs_8V_{13}O_{41}(H_2O)] \cdot 4H_2O$ (1) and $[Cd(en)_2]_2 - [(en)_2Cd_2As_8V_{12}O_{40}]$ (2), where dien is diethylenetriamine and en is ethylenediamine, have been hydrothermally synthesized and structurally characterized by elemental analyses, IR spectra, EPR spectra, XRD spectra, TG analyses, magnetic properties, and X-ray crystallography. Single-crystal X-ray diffraction analyses reveal that compounds 1 and 2 possess a discrete and 1D structure, respectively. The former contains an inorganic–organic hybrid monocadmium-substituted polyoxovanadate cluster unit that is derived from the well-known $\{As_8V_{14}O_{42}\}$ cluster, whereas the latter is composed of an inorganic–organic hybrid bicadmium-substituted polyoxovanadate cluster unit that is derived from the well-known $\{As_8V_{14}O_{42}\}$ cluster unit that is derived from the well-known $\{As_8V_{14}O_{42}\}$ cluster unit that is derived from the well-known $\{As_8V_{14}O_{42}\}$ cluster unit that is derived from the well-known $\{As_8V_{14}O_{42}\}$ cluster unit that is derived from the well-known $\{As_8V_{14}O_{42}\}$ cluster unit that is derived from the well-known $\{As_8V_{12}O_{40}\}$ cluster.

Introduction

The design and synthesis of inorganic—organic hybrid materials have generated extensive interest because of their potential applications in the fields of catalysis, molecular adsorption, and electroconductive, magnetic, and optical materials as well as their intriguing structural features.^{1–3} One of the recent important advances in the design of new inorganic—organic hybrid materials involves combining secondary transition-metal complexes (TMCs) and polyoxometalates (POMs) by molecular assemblies to produce TMC-linked POMs or POM-supported TMC.^{4–16} Typical examples

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include 1D [Ni(2,2'-bpy)₂Mo₄O₁₃]⁶ and [Cu(enMe)₂]₃[V₁₅O₃₆-Cl]·2.5H₂O,⁷ 2D [M₂(H₂N(CH₂)₂NH₂)₅][{M(H₂N(CH₂)₂-NH₂)₂}₂V₁₈O₄₂(X)]·9H₂O (M = Zn, Cd; X = H₂O, Cl⁻, Br⁻)⁸ and [{Cu₃{4,7-phe}}₃)₂Mo₁₄O₄₅],⁹ 3D [{Cu(1,2-pn)2}₇-{V₁₆O₃₈(H₂O)}₂]·4H₂O¹⁰ and Ni(en)₃[{Ni(en)₂}₃V₁₆O₃₈(Cl)]· 8.5H₂O,¹¹ and POM-supported [{M(phen)₂}₂(Mo₈O₂₆)] (M = Ni, Co)¹² and [{Cu(4,4'-bpy)}₄(Mo₈O₂₆)].¹³ Because the secondary transition metals (TMs) exhibit extensive coordination chemistry involving a variety of organic ligands, the secondary TM-substituted POMs may, in principle, incorporate appropriate organic ligands. This offers the opportunity of making new inorganic−organic hybrid complexes containing an inorganic POM cluster backbone coordinated directly by organic functionalities. Such com-

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pounds are much less developed. We are currently exploring the potential of this approach to obtain some hybrid POMs with unusual structures and properties. Recently, we isolated two interesting TM-substituted POMs successfully: one is discrete bizinc-substituted polyoxovanadate, $[{Zn(enMe)_2}_2]$ $(enMe)_{2}{Zn_{2}As_{8}V_{12}O_{40}(H_{2}O)}] \cdot 4H_{2}O^{17}$ (enMe = 1,2-diaminopropane), in which trans-enMe molecules serve as bridges between the inorganic Zn-As-V clusters and the Zn(enMe)₂ complexes. Another is 1D mononickel-substituted polyoxovanadate, $\{[As_8V_{13}NiClO_{41}][Ni(en)_2(H_2O)][Ni(en)_2]\}\{[Ni (en)_2(H_2O)_2]_{0.5}$ •4H₂O,¹⁸ in which dimeric Ni-As-V cluster units are linked together through $[Ni(en)_2]^{2+}$ complexes. As part of the continuing work in this system, here we reported the hydrothermal syntheses, structures, and characterization of two novel cadmium-substituted polyoxovanadates, [Cd- $(dien)_2]_2[(dien)CdAs_8V_{13}O_{41}(H_2O)]\cdot 4H_2O(1) and [Cd(en)_2]_2 [(en)_2Cd_2As_8V_{12}O_{40}]$ (2). Compound 1 is the first discrete inorganic-organic hybrid monocadmium-substituted polyoxovanadate, and compound 2 is the first 1D inorganicorganic hybrid bicadmium-substituted polyoxovanadate.

Experimental Section

All chemicals were purchased from commercial sources and used without further purification. Elemental analyses of C, H, and N were carried out with a PE 2400 II elemental analyzer. IR spectra (KBr pellets) were recorded on an ABB Bomen MB 102 spectrometer. Thermal analyses were performed in a dynamic nitrogen atmosphere with a heating rate of 10 °C/min using a Mettler TGA/ SDTA851^e thermal analyzer. XRD spectra were obtained using a Philips X'Pert-MPD diffractometer with Cu K α radiation (λ = 1.54056 Å). Both powder X-ray diffraction patterns of the bulk product are in good agreement with the calculated patterns based on the results from single-crystal X-ray diffraction. EPR spectra were carried out on powder samples at the X-band frequency with a Bruker ER-420 spectrometer at room temperature. Variabletemperature susceptibility measurements were carried out in the temperature range of 5-300 K at a magnetic field of 0.5 T for 1 and 1 T for 2 on polycrystalline samples with a Quantum Design MPMS-5 magnetometer. The experimental susceptibilities were corrected for Pascal's constants.

[Cd(dien)₂]₂[(dien)CdAs₈V₁₃O₄₁(H₂O)]·4H₂O (1). A mixture of V2O5 (1.66 mmol), As2O3 (1.77 mmol), Cd(CH3COO)2·2H2O (3.06 mmol), dien (1.0 mL) (dien = diethylenetriamine), and H_2O (10 mL) was stirred for 40 min. The mixture was then transferred to a Teflon-lined stainless-steel autoclave (40 mL) and kept at 180 °C for 6 days and then cooled to room temperature. The solid product, consisting of single crystals in the form of a brown plate, was recovered by filtration, washed with distilled water, and dried in air (61.3% yield based on V). Elemental analysis showed that the sample contains 8.32, 2.72, and 7.26 wt % C, H, and N, respectively, which is in accord with the expected values of 8.39, 2.64, and 7.34 wt % C, H, and N on the basis of the empirical formula given by the single-crystal structure analysis. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) for 1: 3455 (s), 3334 (s), 3266 (s), 2924 (w), 2875 (m), 1632 (s), 1595 (m), 1466 (w), 1370 (w), 1068 (w), 983 (s), 718 (s), 642 (m), 552 (w), 456 (m).

[Cd(en)₂]₂[(en)₂Cd₂As₈V₁₂O₄₀] (2). A mixture of V₂O₅ (1.66 mmol), As₂O₃ (1.77 mmol), Cd(CH₃COO)₂·2H₂O (4.11 mmol), en (1.0 mL) (en = ethylenediamine), and H₂O (10 mL) was stirred for 40 min. The mixture was then transferred to a Teflon-lined stainless-steel autoclave (40 mL) and kept at 180 °C for 6 days and then cooled to room temperature. The solid product, consisting of single crystals in the form of a brown block, was recovered by filtration, washed with distilled water, and dried in air (52.3% yield based on V). Elemental analysis showed that the sample contains 5.37, 1.89, and 6.26 wt % C, H, and N, respectively, which is in accord with the expected values of 5.41, 1.82, and 6.31 wt % C, H, and N on the basis of the empirical formula given by the single-crystal structure analysis. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) for **2**: 3447 (m), 3286 (m), 2932 (w), 2875 (w), 1587 (s), 1458 (w), 1390 (w), 975 (s), 903 (w), 730 (s), 670 (s), 665 (m), 581 (m), 444 (m).

X-ray Analyses. Crystal structure determinations by X-ray diffraction were performed on a Siemens SMART-CCD diffractometer with graphite-monochromated Mo K α ($\lambda = 0.71073$ Å) radiation in the ω scanning mode at room temperature. The SADABS program was used for the absorption correction.¹⁹ The structures were solved by the direct method and refined on F^2 by full-matrix least-squares methods using the SHELX97 program package.^{20,21} For **1**, a total of 29 510 reflections ($1.01 \le \theta \le 25.00^\circ$) were collected with 14 091 unique ones ($R_{int} = 0.0788$), of which 10 260 reflections with $I \ge 2\sigma$ (I) were used for structural elucidation. Difference Fourier maps showed a significant region $(3.19 \text{ e} \cdot \text{Å}^{-3})$ of electron density close to the charge-compensating Cd3 cation. A disordering effect of the Cd3 atom over two adjacent positions with occupancies of 0.91 and 0.09 was therefore modeled. All of the non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically, except for atoms N10, N13, N14, N15, C13, C17, C18, C19, and C20 of the two dien ligands coordinated to the Cd3 atom; they were done isotropically because there is some disorder for these nine atoms. The hydrogen atoms of the organic ligands were geometrically placed and refined using a riding model. However, the hydrogens of N13, N14, and N15 that bond to the disordering Cd3 atom have not been included in the final refinement. At convergence, R1-(wR2) was 0.0917 (0.1689), and the goodness-of-fit was 1.195. The final Fourier map had a minimum and maximum of -1.446and 1.166 e·Å⁻³. For **2**, a total of 10 331 reflections (2.69 $\leq \theta \leq$ 25.08°) were collected with 5628 unique ones ($R_{int} = 0.0785$), of which 3530 reflections with $I > 2\sigma$ (I) were used for structural elucidation. The Cd1, V1, V2, As2, As3, and As4 atoms in 1 are disordered over 0.75/0.25, 0.87/0.13, 0.85/0.15, 0.70/0.30, 0.93/ 0.07, and 0.90/0.10 sites, respectively. These disordering atoms were refined as free initially and then fixed. All of the non-hydrogen atoms except V1' and V2' were refined anisotropically. The hydrogen atoms of the organic ligands were also geometrically placed and refined using a riding model. At convergence, R1(wR2) was 0.0760 (0.1749), and the goodness-of-fit was 1.021. The final Fourier map had a minimum and maximum of -1.207 and 1.409 $e \cdot A^{-3}$. Experimental details of the structural determinations of 1 and 2 are presented in Table 1. The ranges of some important bond lengths of compounds 1 and 2 are listed in Table 2.

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compound	1	2
empirical formula	$C_{20}H_{75}N_{15}O_{46}As_8Cd_3V_{13}$	$C_{12}H_{48}N_{12}O_{40}As_8Cd_4V_{12}\\$
fw	2860.73	2660.86
cryst syst	monoclinic	monoclinic
space group	C2/c	P2(1)/n
cryst size (mm ³)	$0.68 \times 0.14 \times 0.06$	$0.38 \times 0.22 \times 0.22$
<i>a</i> , Å	33.0247(2)	12.3743(7)
b, Å	29.4271(5)	19.4268(11)
<i>c</i> , Å	20.5927(3)	14.1430(8)
β , deg	122.800(1)	102.842(2)
$V, Å^3$	16821.8(4)	3314.8(3)
Ζ	8	2
$D_{\rm c}$, g cm ⁻³	2.259	2.666
μ , mm ⁻¹	5.325	6.913
F(000)	11 000	2512
θ range (deg)	$1.01 \le \theta \le 25.00$	$2.69 \le \theta \le 25.08$
limiting indices	$-22 \le h \le 39, -33 \le k \le 34, -24 \le l \le 22$	$-14 \le h \le 12, -23 \le k \le 13, -16 \le l \le 16$
goodness-of-fit on F^2	1.195	1.021
R_1^a , w R_2^b $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$	0.0917, 0.1689	0.0760, 0.1749

 ${}^{a}R_{1} = \sum ||F_{o}| - |F_{c}|| / \sum |F_{o}|$. ${}^{b}wR_{2} = \{\sum [w(F_{o}^{2} - F_{c}^{2})^{2} / \sum [w(F_{o}^{2})^{2}]]^{1/2}; w = 1 / [\sigma^{2}(F_{o}^{2}) + (xP)^{2} + yP], P = (F_{o}^{2} + 2F_{c}^{2}) / 3, where x = 0.0000 and y = 1082.0370 for 1 and x = 0.1045 and y = 28.6567 for 2.$

Table 2. Ranges of Some Important Bond Lengths (Å) for Compounds 1 and 2^a

1				
CdO ₄ N ₃ , CdN ₆ polyhedra		VO ₅ pyramids, AsO ₃ groups		
Cd(1)-O Cd(1)-N Cd(2)-N Cd(3)-N	2.36(1)-2.42(1) 2.36(2)-2.47(2) 2.37(2)-2.44(1) 2.20(6)-2.43(2)	V=O _t V-O _b As-O	$\begin{array}{c} 1.59(1) - 1.63(1) \\ 1.92(1) - 2.03(1) \\ 1.74(1) - 1.81(1) \end{array}$	
2				
CdO ₄ N ₂ polyhedra		VO5 pyramids, AsO3 groups		
Cd(1)-O Cd(2)-O Cd(1)-N Cd(2)-N	$\begin{array}{c} 2.41(1)-2.51(1)\\ 2.26(1)-2.36(2)\\ 2.19(2)-2.38(2)\\ 2.28(2)-2.36(2)\end{array}$	$V = O_t$ V-O_b As-O	$\begin{array}{c} 1.59(1) - 1.65(1) \\ 1.92(1) - 1.99(1) \\ 1.71(1) - 1.82(1) \end{array}$	

 a O_t, terminal oxygen atoms; O_b, oxygen atoms in the basal plane of VO₅ pyramids.



Figure 1. Structures of the $[As_8V_{14}O_{42}]^{6-}$ (a) and $[(dien)CdAs_8V_{13}O_{41}]^{4-}$ (b) anions showing 50% thermal ellipsoids; VO₅ polyhedra are medium-hatching gray.

Results and Discussion

The molecular structure of compound **1** consists of one $[(\text{dien})\text{CdAs}_8\text{V}_{13}\text{O}_{41}(\text{H}_2\text{O})]^{4-}$ inorganic—organic hybrid polyoxoanion, two $[\text{Cd}(\text{dien})_2]^{2+}$ complex cations, and four crystallographic water molecules. As shown in Figure 1, an unusual feature of **1** is that one divalent transition-metal cation (Cd²⁺) takes the place of one of the two V=O²⁺ groups that are located between two As₂O₅ units of the well-

known $[As_8V_{14}O_{42}(X^{n-})]^{(4+n)-}$ (X = SO₄²⁻, SO₃²⁻, 0.5H₂O) anion^{22,23} (Figure 1a) to form a new monocadmiumsubstituted cluster anion $[CdAs_8V_{13}O_{41}(H_2O)]^{4-}$. Then, one dien molecule acts as a ligand directly coordinated to the cadmium center of the cluster anion to generate a novel hybrid monocadmium-substituted polyoxovanadate cluster (Figure 1b). It is interesting that the Cd(1) atom is 7-coordinate and shows a distorted decahedron (Figure S6) with three nitrogen donors of one dien ligand (Cd(1)-N: 2.36-(2)-2.48(2) Å) and four bridging oxygen atoms coming from four adjacent VO₅ groups (Cd(1)–O: 2.36(1)–2.42(1) Å). In the cluster structure of 1, all of the V centers have a distorted VO₅ square-pyramidal environment with V-O bond distances in the usual range of 1.59(1) - 1.63(1) Å for the terminal oxygen atoms and 1.92(1)-2.03(1) Å for μ_3 -O atoms. In the As₂O₅ fragments, the As-O distances vary from 1.74(1) to 1.82(1) Å. The isolated $[Cd(dien)_2]^{2+}$ cations, acting as charge-compensating cations, occupy the structure.

As shown in Figure 2, the isolated cluster anions, $[Cd(dien)_2]^{2+}$ cations, and water molecules are in contact with one another through electrostatic interactions and strong hydrogen bonds. The N···O distances range from 2.95(2) to 3.45(2) Å (Table S1). These strong multipoint hydrogen bondings appear to be structural determinants in the general class of inorganic–organic composite solids. On the basis of valence sum (Σ_s) calculations,²⁴ the oxidation states of all of the V atoms in 1 are +4 ($\Sigma_s = 3.972-4.146$), and the eight As atoms are +3 ($\Sigma_s = 3.043-3.176$). The EPR spectrum of 1 at room temperature shows that the *g* value is 1.9638, corresponding to the signal of V⁴⁺.

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Figure 2. Unit cell contents of compound **1** projected down the *b* axis, showing the relationship and hydrogen bonding between the cluster anions and the $[Cd(dien)_2]^{2+}$ cations.



Figure 3. Structures of the $[(en)_2Cd_2As_8V_{12}O_{40}]^{4-}$ (a) and $[As_8V_{12}O_{40}]^{8-}$ (b) anions showing 50% thermal ellipsoids; VO₅ polyhedra are medium-hatching gray.

 $V_{12}O_{40}]^{4-}$ unit is a new type of centrosymmetric polyoxovanadate cage (Figure 3a). In the cage, three vanadium (V1, V2, and V6) oxygen square pyramids share edges to form a trimer. Two such trimers are attached to each other by two $[Cd(en)]^{2+}$ bridging groups to generate an eight-membered ring. Alternatively, eight vanadium (two V6, two V5, two V4, and two V3) oxygen square pyramids share their edges to form another eight-membered ring. The two eight-rings are further linked perpendicularly to form a cage by sharing two VO₅ square pyramids. Four windows of the cage are



Figure 4. View of 1D hybrid chains of 2.

capped by an As₂O₅ unit forming a spherical shell of composition $[(en)_2Cd_2As_8V_{12}O_{40}]^{4-}$. The structure of $\{(en)_2Cd_2As_8V_{12}O_{40}\}$ is closely related to the $\{As_8V_{12}O_{40}\}$ shell (Figure 3b) in [NHEt₃]₂[NH₂Me₂][As₈V₁₂O₄₀(HCO₂)]· 2H₂O, which was previously reported by Müller et al.²⁵ Therefore, the structure may also be described as two $[Cd(en)]^{2+}$ fragments that take the place of two V=O²⁺ groups located between the As₂O₅ units of the $\{As_8V_{12}O_{40}\}$ shell to form the hybrid $\{(en)_2Cd_2As_8V_{10}O_{40}\}$ shell, and then the two square windows of the hybrid $\{(en)_2Cd_2As_8V_{10}O_{40}\}$ shell are further capped by two VO₅ groups to form an unprecedented hybrid bicadmium-substituted polyoxovanadate cluster { $(en)_2Cd_2As_8V_{12}O_{40}$ }. Compared to the Cd(1) atom in the structure of 1, the Cd(2) atom in 2 is 6-coordinate and shows a serious distorted octahedron with two nitrogen donors of one en ligand (Cd(2)-N: 2.28(2)-2.36(2) Å) and four bridging oxygen atoms coming from four adjacent VO₅ groups (Cd(2)–O: 2.26(1)–2.33(1) Å). In the VO₅ pyramids of 2, the V-O bonds corresponding to the basal plane vary from 1.92(1) to 1.99(1) Å, whereas the shorter V–O bond distances ranging from 1.59(1) to 1.65(1) Å correspond to the axial V=O bonds of the VO₅ pyramids. The As-O bonds of the As_2O_5 units are in the range of 1.71(1)-1.82(1) Å.

As shown in Figure 4, $\{(en)_2Cd_2As_8V_{12}O_{40}\}^{4-}$ clusters are linked to each other by two μ_2 -[Cd(en)₂] bridges, leading to a rare 1D hybrid chain in the arsenic—vanadium system. It is noteworthy that the chains are extended further into a 3D supramolecular network via hydrogen bonds between the nitrogen and oxygen atoms of the POMs that have N···O distances from 3.04(2) to 3.14(2) Å (Table S2). The assignment of oxidation states for the V and As atoms is confirmed by bond-valence sums (BVS),²⁴ which give average valence units (v.u.) of 3.14 and 4.03 for As and V. The EPR spectrum of compound **2** at room temperature shows the paramagnetic signal of V⁴⁺ with g equal to 1.9573.

So far, although many studies of POM-incorporated organometalic complexes have been reported, such as monosubstituted and bisubstituted 12-tungtophosphate derivatives, $[PW_{11}O_{39}Ti-Cp]^{4-}$, ²⁶ RSn $W_{11}PO_{39}^{4-}$, and $[(RSn)_2-W_{10}PO_{38}]^{5-}$ (R = $-CH_3$, $-C_6H_5$), ²⁷ as well as $[\{(\eta^5-C_5H_5)-Ti\}Mo_5O_{19}]^{3-}$, $[\{Mn(CO)_3\}_2Mo_6O_{16}(OMe)_2(tris)_2]^{2-}$, ^{28,29} and

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Figure 5. Temperature dependencies of product $\chi_M T$ for 1 and 2.

so forth, structural information about POM-incorporated TM coordination complexes is very limited. To the best of our knowledge, compounds **1** and **2** are the first observations of POM-incorporating cadmium–organoamine complexes.

The thermogravimetric analyses of compounds 1 and 2 were carried out in flowing N2 with a heating rate of 10 °C min⁻¹ in the temperature range of 30–1000 °C. Four distinct weight loss stages are observed on the TGA curve of compound 1. The first weight loss of 3.21% was found in the range of 41–131 °C. This is in agreement with the loss of five water molecules (calcd 3.14%); the remaining three stages between 247 and 715 °C are attributed to the removal of five dien ligands and the sublimation of four As₂O₃ molecules (exptl 46.02%, calcd 45.71%). Assuming that the residue corresponds to VO2 and CdO, the observed total weight loss (50.77%) is also in agreement with the calculated value (51.15%). The TG curve of 2 shows that the structure stays stable up to 380 °C. Above 380 °C, compound 2 shows two major weight losses in the regions of 380-436 and 467-715 °C. The first step corresponds to the loss of six ethylenediamine molecules (exptl 13.59, calcd 13.53%), leading to the collapse of the framework. The second huge mass loss can be assigned to the sublimation of As₂O₃ (exptl 29.52, calcd 29.76%). Assuming that the residue corresponds to VO_2 and CdO, the observed total weight loss (43.11%) is in good agreement with the calculated value (43.29%).

The variable-temperature magnetic susceptibility of **1** and **2** was measured between 5 and 300 K. Figure 5 shows the magnetic behaviors of **1** and **2** in the form of the product $\chi_M T$ versus temperature, where χ_M is the molar magnetic susceptibility. The $\chi_M T$ value of complex **1** at 300 K is 2.62 cm³ K mol⁻¹ (4.58 μ_B), which is much smaller than that expected for the total spin-only value of 4.68 cm³ K mol⁻¹ of 13 V⁴⁺ with S = 1/2 (g = 1.96 for V⁴⁺ from EPR result). As the temperature decreases, the $\chi_M T$ value decreases rapidly to 100 K to stabilize at approximately 1.8 cm³ K mol⁻¹ and then starts to decrease again, reaching 0.97 cm³ K mol⁻¹ (2.78 μ_B) at 5.0 K. For **2**, $\chi_M T$ at room temperature is 3.87

cm³ K mol⁻¹, which is slightly lower than the value expected for 12 uncoupled electrons (4.32 cm³ K mol⁻¹, g = 1.96). Upon cooling from room temperature, the $\chi_{\rm M}T$ value decreases markedly to 30 K. Below 20 K, another faster decrease of $\chi_{\rm M}T$ is observed, to ca. 1.05 cm³ K mol⁻¹ $(2.90\mu_{\rm B})$ at 5 K. The temperature dependencies of $\chi_{\rm M}T$ for 1 and 2 demonstrate the existence of a strong antiferromagnetic coupling interaction, which is a common feature of most polyoxovanadate culsters.^{30,31} The decrease of the $\chi_M T$ value in different steps is an indication that several exchange pathways of different efficiencies operate in the clusters. In 1, the short neighboring V····V distances of V3····V11 (2.895-(5) Å), V7····V13 (2.899(5) Å), V1····V9 (2.921(5) Å), and V5····V10 (2.935(6) Å) that pair with dioxo bridges lie in the range expected for strong antiferromagnetic coupling,³² which dominates the magnetic behavior at relatively high temperatures and leaves five weakly coupled vanadium(IV) centers that are responsible for the residual magnetism of **1** below 100 K. In 2, there are 3 main exchange pathways between 12 V⁴⁺ centers containing di- μ_3 -oxo-bridges, a single μ_3 -oxo bridge, and a μ -arseniato group, as well as a di- μ arseniato group. The initial decrease of $\chi_{\rm M}T$ upon cooling probably arises from the mixture of two exchange couplings, taking into account that they are generally more effective in transmitting antiferromagnetic interactions in polyoxovanadate clusters.32

In summary, we have successfully introduced secondary transition metals into a polyoxovanadate cluster backbone to obtain novel hybrid structures by the hydrothermal method. The results demonstrate the potential of TM-substituted POMs as molecular building blocks in constructing novel inorganic—organic materials. Further investigation of this work is in progress.

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