A MULTINUCLEAR MAGNETIC RESONANCE STUDY OF $TeF_x(OTeF_5)_{4-x}$, [$TeF_x(OTeF_5)_{3-x}$]⁺[$AsF_y(OTeF_5)_{6-y}$]⁻ AND $Cs^+[As(OTeF_5)_6]^-$

M. J. Collins and G. J. Schrobilgen*

Department of Chemistry, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ont. L8S 4M1 (Canada)

The [OTeF₅] and F acceptor properties of AsF₅ and As(OTeF₅)₅ have been investigated for the series TeF_x(OTeF₅)_{4-x}, resulting in the mixed series [TeF_x(OTeF₅)_{3-x}]⁺[AsF_y(OTeF₅)_{6-y}]⁻. The latter anions and cations have been studied in solution using ¹⁹F and ¹²⁵Te NMR spectroscopy. Pure Te(OTeF₅)₄ also reacts with As(OTeF₅)₅ to give [Te(OTeF₅)₃]⁺[As(OTeF₅)₆]⁻ which has also been characterized by Raman spectroscopy. The interaction of Cs⁺[OTeF₅]⁻ or [(CH₃)₄N]⁺[OTeF₅]⁻ with As(OTeF₅)₅ in CH₃CN yields the [As(OTeF₅)₆]⁻ anion. The quadrupolar ⁷⁵As atom (I = 3/2, 100% natural abundance) [As(OTeF₅)₆]⁻ possesses cubic local symmetry, permitting the observation of the ⁷⁵As resonance and a two-bond ¹²⁵Te⁻⁷⁵As spin-spin coupling in the ⁷⁵As and ¹²⁵Te spectra. The [As(OTeF₅)₆]⁻ anion represents one of only a few examples with suitable symmetry which can be observed by ⁷⁵As NMR spectroscopy.