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ON THE SYNTHESIS OF NEW XENON(VI) FLUOROMETALATES OF GROUP III-A ELEMENTS AND LANTHANIDES

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Hydrazinium and ammonium fluorometalates proved in the past to be very effective starting materials for the syntheses of new xenon(VI) fluoro compounds. Using this synthetic route a series of xenon(VI) fluoro complexes has been isolated: XeF_6 - FeF_3 , XeF_6 - GaF_3 , XeF_6 - $2AlF_3$, XeF_6 - ZrF_4 and XeF_6 - HfF_4 (J. Slivnik, B. Žemva, M. Bohinc, D. Hanžel, J. Grannec, P. Hagenmuller, J. Inorg. Nucl. Chem., 38 (1976) 997; B. Žemva, S. Milićev and J. Slivnik, J. Fluorine Chem., 11 (1978) 519; Ibid., 11 (1978) 545). Recently, these investigations were extended to reactions between xenon hexafluoride and hydrazinium fluorometalates or oxides of scandium, yttrium, lanthanum and some lanthanides. During this study a whole series of new xenon(VI) fluorometalates was isolated and characterized. The elements with trifluorides which crystallize in a YF_3 type of structure form 3:1 compounds which are stable at room temperature and represent the first examples of the $(XeF_5^+)_3MF_6^{3-}$ type of xenon(VI) fluorometalate (e.g. $3XeF_4.YF_3$, $3XeF_4.DyF_3$). The elements with trifluorides which crystallize in a LaF_{τ} type of structure form new xenon(VI) fluorometalates only if they could be oxidized to the 4+ valence state (e.g. $4 \times \text{eF}_{6}$.MF₄, $\times \text{eF}_{6}$.2MF₄ and XeF₆,4MF₄ with M being Ce, Pr, Tb).