# Vibrational Spectroscopic Studies on the $\mathrm{T}_{d}$-type Adeninemetal(II)tetracyanometallate(II) Benzene Clathrates: $\mathrm{M}(\mathrm{ad})_{2} \mathrm{M}^{\prime}(\mathrm{CN})_{4} \cdot \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}(\mathrm{M}=\mathrm{Mn}$ or Cd , $\mathrm{M}^{\prime}=\mathrm{Cd}$ or Hg ) 

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#### Abstract

IR spectra of $\mathrm{Mn}(\text { adenine })_{2} \mathrm{M}(\mathrm{CN})_{4} \cdot \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}(\mathrm{M}=\mathrm{Cd}$ or Hg$)$, and IR and Raman spectra of $\mathrm{Cd}(\text { adenine })_{2} \mathrm{M}(\mathrm{CN})_{4} \cdot \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}(\mathrm{M}=\mathrm{Cd}$ or Hg$)$ are reported. The spectral data suggest that the host frameworks of these compounds are similar to those of the Hofmann-T ${ }_{d}$-type and the adenine coordination is via $\mathrm{N}(10)$.


Key words: clathrates, inclusion compounds, adenine, tetracyanometallate, benzene, IR spectra, Raman spectra.

## 1. Introduction

In a recent paper [1], we reported that the IR and Raman spectral results suggest that the structure of $\mathrm{Mn}\left(\mathrm{NH}_{3}\right)_{2} \mathrm{M}(\mathrm{CN})_{4} \cdot 2 \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}(\mathrm{M}=\mathrm{Cd}$ or Hg$)$ compounds are similar to those found in $\mathrm{T}_{d}$-type clathrates given with the formula $\mathrm{Cd}(\mathrm{II})\left(\mathrm{NH}_{3}\right)_{2} \mathrm{Cd}(\mathrm{II})(\mathrm{CN})_{4} \cdot 2 \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}$ [2] and $\mathrm{Cd}(\mathrm{II})\left(\mathrm{NH}_{3}\right)_{2} \mathrm{Hg}(\mathrm{II})(\mathrm{CN})_{4} \cdot 2 \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}$ [3]. In the host frameworks of these, which are substantially isostructural, the M atom $(\mathrm{Cd}$ or Hg$)$ in the $\mathrm{M}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}$ unit is tetrahedrally coordinated to the carbon atoms of four cyanide groups, while the cadmium atom is octahedrally surrounded by six nitrogen atoms, two from the $\mathrm{NH}_{3}$ ligands attached to the Cd atom in positions trans to each other and four are from cyanide groups. The $\mathrm{M}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}$ groups are linked by the $\mathrm{Cd}\left(\mathrm{NH}_{3}\right)_{2}$ moities to form a three-dimensional network. This structure provides two kinds of cavities, $\alpha$ and $\beta$, for the guest molecules. The $\alpha$ cavity is a rectangular box similar to those in Hofmann-type hosts, while the $\beta$ cavity is a twisted biprism $[2,3]$. The number of guest molecules may vary stepwise from $2,3 / 2,1$ to $1 / 2$ according to the number of cavities $(0,1,2,3)$ occupied by substituents [4]. For the present purposes, it is appropriate to mention Hofmann-type clathrates containing ethanolamine as ligand: In the host structure of this clathrate, one of the cavities is occupied by the free end of the ligand [5].

In this paper we present the IR spectra of M (adenine) $)_{2} \mathrm{M}^{\prime}(\mathrm{CN})_{4} \cdot \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}(\mathrm{M}=\mathrm{Mn}$, $\mathrm{M}^{\prime}=\mathrm{Cd}$ or Hg ) (abbreviated to $\mathrm{M}-\mathrm{ad}-\mathrm{M}^{\prime}-\mathrm{Bz}$ ) and IR and Raman spectra of the $\mathrm{Cd}(\text { adenine })_{2} \mathrm{M}^{\prime}(\mathrm{CN})_{4} \cdot \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}\left(\mathrm{M}^{\prime}=\mathrm{Cd}\right.$ or Hg$)$ compounds and adenine.

## 2. Experimental

All starting chemicals used were reagent grade (Merck) and used without further purification.

The clathrates $\mathrm{M}-\mathrm{ad}-\mathrm{M}^{\prime}-\mathrm{Bz}\left(\mathrm{M}^{\prime}=\mathrm{Cd}\right.$ or Hg$)$ in fine powder form were synthesized by adding 2 mmol of adenine solution in alcohol and 1 mmol of $\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{M}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}$ $(\mathrm{M}=\mathrm{Cd}$ or Hg$)$ solution in water to 1 mmol of $\mathrm{MCl}_{2}(\mathrm{Mn}$ or Cd$)$ solution in water. The precipitate formed was filtered, washed with water, ethanol and ether successively and kept in a desiccator.

The host complexes $\mathrm{Cd}-\mathrm{ad}-\mathrm{Cd}$ and $\mathrm{Cd}-\mathrm{ad}-\mathrm{Hg}$ were prepared by a similar method to that given above in the absence of benzene. The freshly prepared compounds were analyzed for $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{H}$ and $\mathrm{N}\left[\right.$ the $\mathrm{Cd}(\mathrm{en}) \mathrm{Cd}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}$ complex [6] has been used as a reference] with the following results (found \%/calculated \%):

| $\mathrm{Cd}\left(\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{~N}_{5}\right) \mathrm{Cd}(\mathrm{CN})_{4} \cdot \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}:$ | $\mathrm{C}=35.27 / 35.46$ | $\mathrm{H}=2.29 / 2.38$ | $\mathrm{~N}=28.63 / 28.95$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{Cd}\left(\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{~N}_{5}\right) \mathrm{Hg}(\mathrm{CN})_{4} \cdot \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}:$ | $\mathrm{C}=31.14 / 31.38$ | $\mathrm{H}=2.21 / 2.10$ | $\mathrm{~N}=25.27 / 25.61$ |
| $\mathrm{Mn}\left(\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{~N}_{5}\right) \mathrm{Cd}(\mathrm{CN})_{4} \cdot \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}:$ | $\mathrm{C}=38.17 / 38.75$ | $\mathrm{H}=2.69 / 2.60$ | $\mathrm{~N}=31.08 / 31.64$ |
| $\mathrm{Mn}\left(\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{~N}_{5}\right) \mathrm{Hg}(\mathrm{CN})_{4} \cdot \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}:$ | $\mathrm{C}=33.69 / 33.93$ | $\mathrm{H}=2.86 / 2.28$ | $\mathrm{~N}=28.01 / 27.70$ |
| $\mathrm{Cd}_{5}\left(\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{~N}_{5}\right) \mathrm{Cd}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}$ | $\mathrm{C}=35.16 / 35.07$ | $\mathrm{H}=1.91 / 1.80$ | $\mathrm{~N}=27.21 / 22.54$ |
| $\mathrm{Cd}\left(\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{~N}_{5}\right) \mathrm{Hg}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}$ | $\mathrm{C}=24.31 / 24.46$ | $\mathrm{H}=1.41 / 1.46$ | $\mathrm{~N}=28.71 / 28.53$ |

The IR spectra of the compounds were recorded between 4000 and $200 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ on Perkin Elmer 621 and Mattson 1000 FTIR spectrometers, which were calibrated using polystyrene. The samples were prepared as mulls (without grinding) in nujol and hexachlorobutadiene between CsI plates. Raman spectra of the $\mathrm{Cd}-\mathrm{ad}-\mathrm{Cd}-\mathrm{Bz}$ and $\mathrm{Cd}-\mathrm{ad}-\mathrm{Hg}-\mathrm{Bz}$ clathrate compounds (in powder form) in a home-made spinning cell were excited using the 514.5 nm line of a Spectra-Physics Model 2016-4S argon-ion laser and recorded on a Jobin-Yvon U1000 spectrometer which was calibrated against the laser plasma emission lines.

## 3. Results and Discussion

Before embarking upon the vibrational features of the compounds, a word may be in order regarding the number of benzene molecules accommodated. In spite of our efforts to trap more benzene molecules in the host structure of the present clathrates, we have only obtained the composition $\mathrm{M}\left(\mathrm{ad}_{2}\right)_{2} \mathrm{M}^{\prime}(\mathrm{CN})_{4} \cdot \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}$. The decrease of the number of benzene molecules from 2 in en- $\mathrm{T}_{d^{-}}$-type [6] and Hofmann- $\mathrm{T}_{d^{-}}$ type [1] clathrates to 1 in our cases may be due to the bulkiness of the adenine
ligand; therefore, one of the cavities may be occupied by a pair of imidazole rings and so only the other cavity may be effective in accommodating the guest molecule.

The spectral features of the compounds under study are found to be similar to each other, suggesting that they also have similar structural features. The IR spectra of the $\mathrm{Cd}-\mathrm{ad}-\mathrm{Cd}-\mathrm{Bz}$ clathrate and the $\mathrm{Cd}-\mathrm{ad}-\mathrm{Cd}$ complex are shown in Figure 1 (a and b) as representative illustration. It will be convenient to divide the vibrations into three groups arising from the adenine ligand, from the $\mathrm{M}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}$ units and from the benzene moieties. The spectral bands due to the $\mathrm{M}^{\prime}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}$ and benzene species are straightforward since these bands are persistent and picked out with ease [1, 7-9]. The vibrational wavenumbers of the bands in the spectra of these species are tabulated in Tables I-III, respectively, along with some relevant spectral data for comparison.

### 3.1. ADENINE VIBRATIONS

For adenine (6-aminopurine) several tautomeric forms can be envisaged in the isolated state. The $\mathrm{N}(9) \mathrm{H}$ aminic form being the most stable is established by theoretical calculations [10, 11], infrared and Raman [12, 13], NMR [14], microwave [15] and ultraviolet photoelectron studies [16] but in more polar environments the polar $\mathrm{N}(7) \mathrm{H}$ form may be more stable [17]. These two forms are illustrated in Figure 2.

In dealing with the band assignments of the adenine in the compounds studied, the $\mathrm{N}_{9} \mathrm{H}$ form will be treated. This treatment is reasonable in that in the proposed structure, there is the possibility that two adenine molecules may be tail to tail in such a way that the H atom of one $\mathrm{N}(9) \mathrm{H}$ tautomer is bound to the $\mathrm{N}(3)$ donor atom of the other and vice versa. Such a hydrogen bonding may stabilize the $\mathrm{N}(9) \mathrm{H}$ form.

In spite of the high complexity of adenine molecule and its lack of symmetry, considerable efforts have been made to characterize its vibrational bands, since it is one of the components of nucleic acids which are contituents of DNA and RNA, the biologically most important molecules. Of the vibrational studies of adenine, two reports are relevant for our purpose. Hirakawa et al. examined Raman and infrared spectra of adenine, adenine-1,3-[ $\left.{ }^{15} \mathrm{~N}_{2}\right]$, adenine-2-[ $\left.{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}\right]$ and adenine- $8-\left[{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}\right]$, and their amino- $d_{2}-9-d$ derivatives in crystalline powders [12]. Based on these spectral data, together with a single-crystal infrared spectrum of 9-methyladenine [18] and infrared spectra of six different deuterated derivatives of adenine [19], the fundamental bands of adenine in the $1800-200 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ region were assigned. These assignments have also been supported by a normal coordinate treatment through an ab initio MO calculation of the force constants of adenine [10, 20] (Table I). Nowak et al. presented infrared spectra of adenine and its ${ }^{15} \mathrm{~N}$ isotopomers with ${ }^{15} \mathrm{~N}$ at the $N(9)$ or $N(7)$ positions isolated in a low-temperature matrix of argon and compared those with the spectra predicted at the DFT (density functional theory with the the Becke3-LYP functions using the 6-31G ( $\mathrm{d}, \mathrm{p}$ ) basis set) level (Table I) [11]. It


Figure 1. The infrared spectra of the Cd-ad-Cd complex (a) and the Cd-ad-Cd-B clathrate (b) in nujol (* in hexachlorobutadiene).

(a)

(b)

Figure 2. The $\mathrm{N}(9) \mathrm{H}$ (a) and $\mathrm{N}(7) \mathrm{H}$; (b) tautomers of adenine.
should be noted that the infrared spectra of gas-phase adenine have been recorded from 100 to $3700 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ [21]. The wavenumbers of the fundamental vibrations of adenine in powder form, and in an argon matrix, and their assignment given by Hirakawa et al. [12] and Nowak et al. [11], respectively, are presented in Table I. Table I also tabulates the wavenumbers predicted from the DFT (density functional theory) [11] and the gas-phase infrared spectra of adenine for comparison [21]. A glance at Table I shows that there are several discrepancies between the two assignments given by Hirakawa et al. [21] and Nowak et al. [11]. These cannot be assessed here.

From Table I it is clear that the assignments of the fundamental bands in the $4000-1800 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ region due to the stretching vibrations of $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H}$ and C-H bands are straightforward while the proper assignment of the bands in the $1800-200 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ region, on the basis of experimental data only, is practically not possible. The notable spectral features are the following:

The $\mathrm{NH}_{2}$ stetching frequencies of the adenine molecules in the clathrate compounds are found to be ca. $50 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ lower than those of adenine in an Ar matrix (Table I). In addition, the $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{NH}_{2}$ stretching frequencies in the clathrates are ca. $15 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ lower than that of adenine in the solid form. These downward frequency shifts may be explained as weakening of the $\mathrm{N}(10)-\mathrm{H}$ and $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{N}(10)$ bands resulting from the electrons draining from the $\mathrm{N}(10)$ atom on account of its coordination to the metal atom M. The infrared band observed at ca. $1088 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ in the clathrate compounds are assigned to the $\omega\left(\mathrm{NH}_{2}\right)$ wagging vibration, which appears at 660 $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ in solid adenine. Such a large upward frequency shift of the $\omega\left(\mathrm{NH}_{2}\right)$ mode in Hofmann-type aniline complexes, $\mathrm{M}(\text { aniline })_{2} \mathrm{M}^{\prime}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}(\mathrm{M}=\mathrm{Mn}, \mathrm{Fe}, \mathrm{Co}$ or Cu and $\mathrm{M}^{\prime}=\mathrm{Ni}, \mathrm{M}=\mathrm{Ni}$ or Cd and $\mathrm{M}^{\prime}=\mathrm{Pt}$ ), is suggested to be due to the effect of the changes in hybridization about the nitrogen atom, caused by the binding of the metal (M) to the $\mathrm{N}(10)$ site [22]. Similar shifts have been observed in other metal complexes of aniline [23]. It should be noted that the six-membered ring and five-membered ring in-plane stretching bands remain essentially unaltered suggesting that the expected
second coordination site (possibly $\mathrm{N}(3)$ or $\mathrm{N}(9)$ ) is not possible to be assigned [13, 24].

## 3.2. $\mathrm{M}^{\prime}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}$ GROUP VIBRATIONS

The fact that in the host framework of the $\mathrm{T}_{d}$-type clathrates $[1,7,8]$ and the $\mathrm{T}_{d}$-type host complexes [9] the metal atom $\mathrm{M}^{\prime}$ in $\mathrm{M}^{\prime}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}$ is tetrahedrally surrounded by the carbon ends of four CN ions suggests that the host framework of the clathrates studied here also have tetrahedral $\mathrm{M}^{\prime}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}$ units. In order to assign the bands attributable to the $\mathrm{M}^{\prime}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}\left(\mathrm{M}^{\prime}=\mathrm{Cd}\right.$ or Hg$)$ ion in the spectra of our clathrate compounds, we refer to the work of Jones who presented vibrational data for the salts $\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{M}^{\prime}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}\left(\mathrm{M}^{\prime}=\mathrm{Cd}\right.$ or Hg$)$ in the solid state [25]. The structural studies on these salts have shown that the $\mathrm{K}-\mathrm{NC}$ distance is ca. $2.9 \AA$ in $\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{Cd}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}$ [26], and $\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{Hg}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}$ [27], while the $\mathrm{Cd}-\mathrm{NC}$ distances are ca. $2.3 \AA$ in $\mathrm{T}_{d}$-type host frameworks [4]. Therefore, they can be used as references to account for the vibrational changes when the stiffer $\mathrm{Cd}-\mathrm{NC}$ bonding takes place. The vibrational data for $\mathrm{M}^{\prime}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}$ groups in the clathrate compounds under study are given in Table II, together with the vibrational wavenumbers of $\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{Cd}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}$ and $\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{Hg}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}$ [25]. Table II also lists the wavenumbers of the infrared and Raman spectra of the $\mathrm{Cd}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}$ unit in the $\mathrm{Cd}\left(\mathrm{NH}_{3}\right)_{2} \mathrm{Cd}(\mathrm{CN})_{4} \cdot 2 \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}$ clathrate [1] for comparison. The assigned wavenumbers for the $\mathrm{M}^{\prime}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}$ group in the compounds studied appear to be much higher than those for $\mathrm{M}^{\prime}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}$ groups in $\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{M}^{\prime}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}\left(\mathrm{M}^{\prime}=\mathrm{Cd}\right.$ or Hg$)$ (Table II). Such frequency shifts have been observed for other Hoffman-T ${ }_{d}$-type clathrates $[1,7]$ and Hoffman- $\mathrm{T}_{d}$-type host complexes [8, 9], in which both ends of the CN group are coordinated and explained as the mechanical coupling of the internal modes of $\mathrm{M}^{\prime}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}(\mathrm{M}=\mathrm{Zn}, \mathrm{Cd}$ or Hg$)$ with the metal $\mathrm{M}-\mathrm{NC}$ vibrations. It follows that the N -ends of the $\mathrm{M}^{\prime}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}$ groups are also bound to a M atom in our clathrate compounds. Another notable feature is that $v_{5}$ is at a higher frequency for $\mathrm{Cd}\left(2179 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}\right)$ than for $\mathrm{Mn}\left(2177 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}\right)$ suggesting that the strength of the $\mathrm{Cd}-\mathrm{N}$ bond is higher than that of the $\mathrm{Mn}-\mathrm{N}$ bond. This is due to the fact that the second ionization potential of Cd is higher than that of Mn .

### 3.3. BENZENE VIBRATIONS

The assignments and the frequencies of the vibrational bands arising from the enclathrated benzene observed in the spectra of the M (adenine) $)_{2} \mathrm{M}^{\prime}(\mathrm{CN})_{4} \cdot \mathrm{Bz}$ $\left(\mathrm{M}=\mathrm{Mn}, \mathrm{M}^{\prime}=\mathrm{Cd}\right.$ or $\mathrm{Hg} ; \mathrm{M}=\mathrm{Cd}, \mathrm{M}=\mathrm{Cd}$ or Hg ) compounds are given in Table III, along with the wavenumbers of benzene in the liquid phase [28] and in the $\mathrm{Cd}\left(\mathrm{NH}_{3}\right)_{2} \mathrm{Cd}(\mathrm{CN})_{4} \cdot 2 \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}$ clathrate [1] for comparison. The most structurally informative spectral features are the following.

The CH out-of-plane mode $\left(\mathrm{A}_{2 \mathrm{u}}\right)$ in the spectra of the clathrates are found to be shifted to higher frequency ( $681 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ ) (Table III) from that of liquid benzene ( 670 $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ). Similar positive frequency shifts were observed for Hofmann-T ${ }_{d}$-type [1,

Table I. The infrared wavenumbers $\left(\mathrm{cm}^{-1}\right)$ of adenine in the $\mathrm{M}-\mathrm{ad}-\mathrm{M}^{\prime}-\mathrm{Bz}$ clathrates*

| Gas-phase <br> Adenine ${ }^{\mathrm{a}}$ IR | Adenine in a Ar matrix ${ }^{\text {b }}$ |  | Theory (DFT) potential energy distribution ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | Adenine as crystalline powder ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |  | Assignment ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Cd}-\mathrm{ad}- \\ & \mathrm{Cd}-\mathrm{Bz} \end{aligned}$ | Cd-ad- <br> $\mathrm{Hg}-\mathrm{Bz}$ | Mn-ad- <br> Cd-Bz | Mn -ad-$\mathrm{Hg}-\mathrm{Bz}$ | Cd-ad-Cd | $\mathrm{Cd}-\mathrm{ad}-\mathrm{Hg}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | IR | I(rel) |  |  | R |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3552m | 3565 | 84 | $\nu\left(\mathrm{NH}_{2}\right)$ antisym (100) | - | - | - | 3512 m | 3512m | 3512vs | 3514vs | no | no |
|  | 3557 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 3555 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 3552 3552 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3501s | 3506 | 135 | $\nu(\mathrm{N} 9 \mathrm{H})(100)$ | - | - | - | 3473m | 3479sh | no | no | $3474 \mathrm{~m}$ | 3474 m |
|  | 3503 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $3455 \mathrm{vw}$ |  |
|  | 3502 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 3498 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 3494 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 3489 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3434s | 3448 | 110 | $\nu\left(\mathrm{NH}_{2}\right)$ sym (100) | - | - | - | 3406s | 3402s | 3404s | 3404s | 3424m | 3423m |
|  | 3441 |  |  |  |  |  | 3265m | no | no | no | 3263m | no |
|  | 3438 |  |  |  |  |  | 3132w | 3134w | 3140w | 3138w | no |  |
| 3061 m | 3057 | 6 | $\nu \mathrm{C8H}(99)$ | - | - | - | 3070 vw | no | no | no | no | 3070 vw |
| - | 3041 | 3 | ${ }^{\text {L C2H }}$ (100) | - | - | - | no | 3052vw | 3043 vw | 3043vw | 3051vw | no |
|  | 1639 |  | $\beta \mathrm{NH}_{2} \operatorname{scis}(28)$ | 1673vs, b | 1677vw | $\mathrm{NH}_{2}$ scis | 1641vs | 1641vs | 1641vs | 1633 | 1669vs | 1669s |
| 1625vs | $1633$ | 447 | $\nu \mathrm{C} 6 \mathrm{~N} 10 \text { (21), } v \mathrm{C} 5 \mathrm{C} 6 \text { (19) }$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1626sh |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| - | - | - | - | 1638w | - | $\nu_{1}$ | 1612m | 1618sh | 1624sh | 1623sh | 1611vs | 1611s |
| - | 1612 | 219 | $\nu \mathrm{N} 3 \mathrm{C} 4(27), \nu \mathrm{C} 5 \mathrm{C} 6$ (12) | 1604vs, ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | 1612w | $\nu_{2}$ | 1585vs | 1585vs | 1583vs | 1583s | 1564 m | 1564 m |
|  |  |  |  |  | 1597w |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| - | - | - | - | 1508m | 1514vw | $\nu_{3}$ | 1514w | 1525w | 1529 vw | no | 1518w | 1517w |
|  |  |  |  |  | 1508m |  |  |  | 1516vw |  | 1512w |  |
|  | 1482 | 11 | $\nu \mathrm{N} 7 \mathrm{C} 8$ (48), $\beta \mathrm{C} 8 \mathrm{H}(12)$ | - | 1485 | $\nu_{4}$ | 1497w | 1497w | 1498sh | 1497sh | no | no |
|  |  |  |  | - | 1482m |  | 1470s | 1470s | 1470s |  | 1475w | 1475w |
| 1468s | 1474 | 71 | $\nu^{\text {c } 6 \mathrm{~N} 1}$ (24), $\beta$ C2H (22), | 1451m | 1462w | $\mathrm{N}(9)$-H bend | 1462w | no | 1465w | no | 1468m | 1468m |
|  |  |  | $\nu \mathrm{C} 6 \mathrm{~N} 1 \mathrm{O}$ (13), |  | 1442vw |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Gas-phase <br> Adenine ${ }^{\mathrm{a}}$ <br> IR | Adenine in a <br> Ar matrix ${ }^{\text {b }}$ |  | Theory (DFT) potential energy distribution ${ }^{b}$ | Adenine as crystalline powder ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |  | Assignment ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Cd}-\mathrm{ad}- \\ & \mathrm{Cd}-\mathrm{Bz} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Cd}-\mathrm{ad}- \\ & \mathrm{Hg}-\mathrm{Bz} \end{aligned}$ | Mn-ad- <br> Cd-Bz | Mn-ad-$\mathrm{Hg}-\mathrm{Bz}$ | Cd-ad-Cd | Cd-ad-Hg |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | IR | I(rel) |  | IR | R |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1415s | 1419 | 49 | $\nu \mathrm{C} 4 \mathrm{CS}(27), \nu \mathrm{C} 4 \mathrm{~N} 9$ (21) | 1421s | 1419w | $\nu_{5}$ | 1429w | 1433cq | 1439w | 1440cw | 1431m | 1431m |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1417 m | 1417 m | 1416m | 1416m | 1404s | 1403s |
| - | 1389 | 45 | $\begin{aligned} & \beta \text { N9H (27), } \beta \text { C2H (27), } \\ & \nu \mathrm{C} 8 \mathrm{~N} 9(14), \beta \mathrm{R} 1 \text { (12) } \end{aligned}$ | 1368 m | 1371m | $\mathrm{C}(2)$-H bend | 1402s | 1400 m | 1398s | 1398s | 1393m | 1393m |
| 1346(sh)m | 1345 | 21 | $\nu$ N9C8 (20), $\beta$ C8H (13), <br> $\beta$ N9H(10), $\nu \mathrm{C} 6 \mathrm{~N} 1$ (10) | - | - | - | 1348sh | $\begin{aligned} & \text { (1338)m } \\ & \text { 1348sh } \end{aligned}$ | 1348sh | 1344sh | 1364s | no |
| - | 1334 | 7 | $-$ | 1335s | 1332s | $v_{6}$ | $\begin{aligned} & (1337) \mathrm{w} \\ & 1336 \mathrm{~m} \end{aligned}$ | 1336m | 1336m | 1334m | 1335m | 1335m |
| 1326s | 1328 | 40 | $\begin{aligned} & \nu \mathrm{N} 1 \mathrm{C} 2(31), \nu \mathrm{C} 5 \mathrm{~N} 7(19), \\ & \beta \mathrm{C} 2 \mathrm{H}(11) \end{aligned}$ | 1309s | 1307m | $\nu_{7}$ | 1290s | 1290vs | 1288vs | 1288vs | 1291w | 1273w |
| 1280s | 1290 | 68 | $\begin{aligned} & \nu \mathrm{C} 2 \mathrm{~N} 3(43), \nu \mathrm{C} 5 \mathrm{~N} 7(13), \\ & \nu \mathrm{N} 1 \mathrm{C} 2(10) \end{aligned}$ | - | - | $-$ | no | no | no | no | no | no |
| - | - | - | - | 1253s | 1249m | $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{NH}_{2}$ str. | 1234s | 1236s | 1236 ms | 1234s | 1230m | 1230m |
| - | 1240 | 28 | $\beta$ C8H (36), v N7C8 (16), <br> $\beta$ N9H(10) | - | - | - | no | no | no | no | no | no |
| 1234s | 1229 | 13 | $\beta \mathrm{NH}_{2}$ rock (26), v C5N7 (22) | 1234w,sh | 1235w | $\nu_{8}$ | 1221m | 1223m | 1223sh | 1225sh | 1220m | 1220m |
| - | - | - | - | 1157 m | 1163w | $\mathrm{C}(8)$ - H bend | 1159w | 1146vw | 1155w | 1150w | 1152m | 1152m |
| 1126w | 1127 | 6 | $\begin{aligned} & \nu \mathrm{C} 4 \mathrm{~N} 9(20), \beta \mathrm{r} 4(10), \\ & \nu \mathrm{C} 6 \mathrm{~N} 10(10) \end{aligned}$ | 1126s | 1126m | $\nu_{9}$ | 1130m | 1130s | 1128s | 1128s | no | no |
|  | 1032 | 27 | $\nu \mathrm{C} 8 \mathrm{~N} 9$ (55), $\beta$ N9H (32) | 1025s | 1025w | $\mathrm{NH}_{2}$ rock | 103 Sm | 1036m | 1036m | 1034m | 1033w | 1033vw |
| 957w | 958 | 3 | $\gamma \mathrm{C} 2 \mathrm{H}(108)$ | 951w,sh | 952w,sh | $\nu_{14}$ | no | no | no | no | no | no |
| - | - | - | - | 940s | 941m | $\mathrm{C}(8)$-H bend | (944)m | (945)m |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 947mw |  | 945m | 943m | 949vw | 954vw |
| 926vw | 927 | 13 | $\beta \mathrm{r} 4$ (42), $\beta$ r5 (32), v C4C5 (11) | 913s | 899w | $\nu_{11}$ | 903m | 903m | 903m | 903m | 905w | 905w |
|  | 887 | 8 | $\beta$ R1 (49), $\beta$ R3 (15) | 872m,br | - | $\mathrm{N}(9)$-H bend | 883m | 889m | 889 m | 891mw | 881mw | 880w |
| 847w | 848 | 6 | $\gamma \mathrm{C} 8 \mathrm{H}(90)$ | 849m | 846vw | $\mathrm{C}(2)$-H bend | no | no | no | no | no | no |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## Table I. Continued.

| Gas-phase <br> Adenine ${ }^{\mathrm{a}}$ <br> IR | Adenine in a <br> Ar matrix ${ }^{\text {b }}$ |  | Theory (DFT) potential energy distribution ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | Adenine as crystalline powder ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |  | Assignment ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Cd}-\mathrm{ad}- \\ & \mathrm{Cd}-\mathrm{Bz} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Cd}-\mathrm{ad}- \\ & \mathrm{Hg}-\mathrm{Bz} \end{aligned}$ | Mn-ad- <br> Cd-Bz | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Mn}-\mathrm{ad}- \\ & \mathrm{Hg}-\mathrm{Bz} \end{aligned}$ | Cd-ad-Cd | Cd-ad-Hg |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | I(rel) |  | IR | R |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 801w | 802 | 9 | $\begin{aligned} & \tau \mathrm{R} 1(46), \tau \mathrm{r} 4(20), g \mathrm{C} 6 \mathrm{~N} 1 \mathrm{O}(19), \\ & \gamma \mathrm{C} 8 \mathrm{H}(15) \end{aligned}$ | 797 m | 797vw | $\nu_{16}$ | 795m | 796m | 796m | 796m | 796s | 795s |
| - | 717 | 5 | $\begin{aligned} & v \mathrm{~N} 3 \mathrm{C} 4(20), \beta \mathrm{r} 4(14), \\ & v \mathrm{C} 5 \mathrm{~N} 7(11), v \mathrm{C} 4 \mathrm{~N} 9(10) \end{aligned}$ | 723s | 724vs | $\nu_{10}$ ring breat. | $\begin{aligned} & (720) \mathrm{m} \\ & 721 \mathrm{~s} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { (724)m } \\ & 721 \mathrm{~s} \end{aligned}$ | 721 m | 721 m | 720m | 723 m |
| - | 698 | 2 | - | 684w,sh | - | $\nu_{19}$ | no | no | no | no | 686m | 686 m |
|  | 687 | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| - | - | - | - | 660s,vb | - | $\mathrm{NH}_{2}$ wag | 1088m | 1089s | 1088s | 1086s | 1079w | no |
| 650 vw | 655 | 6 | $\tau \mathrm{r} 4$ (52), $t \mathrm{r} 5$ (36) | 641m |  | $\nu_{20}$ | 638s | 630 m | 633w | 629w | 620w | 620w |
| 600 vw | 610 | 5 | $\beta \mathrm{r} 5$ (29), v C5C6 (21), | 622m | 623 m | $\nu_{12}$ | (618)s | (614)ms |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\beta$ R2 (17) |  |  |  | 623 m | 611 m | 613m | 611 m | 596s | 595s |
| 563w | 566 | 46 | $\begin{aligned} & \tau \mathrm{R} 2(27), \gamma \mathrm{N} 9 \mathrm{H}(24), \tau \mathrm{R} 1 \text { (23) } \\ & \tau \mathrm{r} 5(12) \end{aligned}$ | - | 560w | - | no | no | no | no | 573m | 573m |
| - | - | - | - | 543s | 535 m | $\nu_{13}$ | (533)w | no |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 535m | 532 m | 532m | 530 m | 527m | 527 m |
| - | - |  | twist $\mathrm{NH}_{2}$ (62) | - | 530w,sh | $\nu_{15}$ | no | no | no | no |  |  |
| - | - | - | - | 530w | - | $\nu_{18}$ | 530sh | no | no | no | no | no |
| - | - | - | - | 380w | - | $\mathrm{NH}_{2}$ tor | 389s | 389s | 389s | 389s | 394m | 393 m |
| - | - | - | - | 337 m | 331s | $\mathrm{C}(6)-\mathrm{NH}_{2}$ | (311)m | (313)m |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 327s | bend | 310w | 310w | 310w | 310, v | 320w | 315w |

* Raman bands are in parentheses.
a,b,c Taken from refs [21, 11, 12 ], respectively.
$\mathrm{v}=$ very, $\mathrm{s}=$ strong, $\mathrm{w}=$ weak, $\mathrm{sh}=$ shoulder, $\mathrm{br}=$ broad, no; not observed.

Table II. The vibrational wavenumbers $\left(\mathrm{cm}^{-1}\right)$ of the $\mathrm{M}^{\prime}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}$ group for the $\mathrm{M}-\mathrm{ad}-\mathrm{M}^{\prime}-\mathrm{Bz}$ clathrates*

| Assignment | $\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{Cd}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}{ }^{\text {a }}$ | $\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{Hg}(\mathrm{CN})_{4}{ }^{\text {a }}$ | $\mathrm{Cd}-\left(\mathrm{NH}_{3}\right)_{2}-\mathrm{Cd}-2 \mathrm{Bz}^{\text {b }}$ | Cd-ad-Cd-Bz | Cd-ad-Hg-Bz | Mn -ad-Cd-Bz | $\mathrm{Mn}-\mathrm{ad}-\mathrm{Hg}-\mathrm{Bz}$ | Cd-ad-Cd | Cd-ad-Hg |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\nu_{\mathrm{s}}(\mathrm{CN}) \mathrm{A}_{1}$ | (2149) | (2149) | (2178)vs | (2185)s | (2185)s | no | no | no | no |
| $\nu_{2}(\mathrm{MC}) \mathrm{A}_{1}$ | (324) | (335) | - | no | no | no | no | no | no |
| $\nu_{3}[\delta(\mathrm{MCN})] \mathrm{E}$ | - | - | - | no | no | no | no | no | no |
| $\nu_{4}[\delta(\mathrm{CMC})] \mathrm{E}$ | - | - | - | no | no | no | no | no | no |
| $\nu_{5}(\mathrm{CN}) \mathrm{F}_{2}$ | 2145 | 2146 | 2165vs | 2179vs | 2179vs | 2177vs | 2177vs | 2167s | 2167s |
| Hot band? | - | - | 2154vw | 2167vw | 2167vw | 2164vw | 2169vw | 2147 vw | 2147vw |
| $\nu_{5}\left[\left({ }^{13} \mathrm{CN}\right)\right]$ | - | - | 2135vw | 2142vw | 2142vw | 2140vw | 2141vw | 2129vw | 2129vw |
| $\nu_{6}[\nu(\mathrm{MC})+\delta(\mathrm{NCM})] \mathrm{F}_{2}$ | 316 | 330 | 368s | 370s | 370s | 384s | 384s | 370s | 370s |
| $\nu_{7}[\nu(\mathrm{MC})+\delta(\mathrm{NCM})] \mathrm{F}_{2}$ | 250 | 235 | - | 283w | 277w | 277w | 277w | 285w | 286w |

[^0]Table III．The vibrational wavenumbers $\left(\mathrm{cm}^{-1}\right)$ of benzene in the $\mathrm{M}-\mathrm{ad}-\mathrm{M}^{\prime}-\mathrm{Bz}$ clathrates＊

| Assignment ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Benzene ${ }^{\text {b }}$（Liquid） | $\mathrm{Cd}-\left(\mathrm{NH}_{3}\right)_{2}-\mathrm{Cd}-\mathrm{Bz}^{\text {c }}$ | Cd－ad－Cd－Bz | Cd－ad－Hg－Bz | $\mathrm{Mn}-\mathrm{ad}-\mathrm{Cd}-\mathrm{Bz}$ | $\mathrm{Mn}-\mathrm{ad}-\mathrm{Hg}-\mathrm{Bz}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\nu_{8}$ | （3166） | no | no | no | no | no |
| $v_{20} \mathrm{E}_{1 \mathrm{u}}$ | 3073 | 3080in | 3086m | 3086m | 3088m | 3086m |
| $v_{8}+v_{9}$ | 3075 | 3064m | 3076w | 3068w | 3070 w | 3068m |
| $\nu_{13} \mathrm{~B}_{1 \mathrm{u}}$ | 3048 | 3028s | 3030m | 3030mw | 3032m | 3030w |
| $\nu_{2} \mathrm{~A}_{1 \mathrm{~g}}$ | （3062） | （3060）m | （3070）w | no | no | no |
| $\nu_{7} \mathrm{E}_{2 \mathrm{~g}}$ | （3050） | （3040）w | （3041）vw | （3049）vw | no | no |
| $\nu_{5}+\nu_{17} \mathrm{E}_{1 \mathrm{u}}$ | 1955 | no | 1957w | 1957w | 1959vw | 1957vw |
| $\nu_{8} \mathrm{E}_{2 \mathrm{~g}}$ | （1586） | （1580）w | （1585）m | （1585）m | no | no |
| $\nu_{10}+\nu_{17}$ | 1815 | no | 1815w | 1815vw | 1815w | 1815w |
| $\nu_{19} \mathrm{E}_{1 \mathrm{u}}$ | 1479 | 1477m | 1477s | 1477s | 1479s | 1477 ms |
| $\nu_{14} \mathrm{~B}_{2 \mathrm{u}}$ | 1309 | no | no | 1307w | no | no |
| $\nu_{9} \mathrm{E}_{2 \mathrm{~g}}$ | （1177） | （1174）m | （1171）vw | （1171）vw | no | no |
| $\nu_{15} \mathrm{~B}_{2 \mathrm{u}}$ | 1149 | 1145sh | 1154vw | 1146vw | 1155 vw | 1150vw |
| $\nu_{18} \mathrm{E}_{1 \mathrm{u}}$ | 1036 | 1032w | 1034m | 1036m | 1036m | 1034m |
| $\nu_{1} \mathrm{~A}_{1 \mathrm{~g}}$ | （991） | （989）vs | （991）m | （992）m | no | no |
| $\nu_{10} \mathrm{E}_{1 \mathrm{~g}}$ | （850） | （854）w | （849）vw | （849）vw | no | no |
| $\nu_{11} \mathrm{~A}_{2 \mathrm{u}}$ | 670 | 698s | 681vs | 681vs | 681vs | 681vs |
|  |  | 686vs |  |  |  |  |

＊Raman bands are in parentheses．
${ }^{\text {a }}$ Taken from ref．［33］．
${ }^{\text {b }}$ IR bands from ref．［28］and Raman bands from ref，［34］
${ }^{c}$ Taken from ref．［1］．
$\mathrm{v}=$ very， $\mathrm{s}=$ strong， $\mathrm{w}=$ weak， $\mathrm{m}=$ medium，no $=$ not observed．

7] clathrates and Hofmann-type clathrates [29]. Akyüz et al. [29], explained this upward shift by the presence of a weak hydrogen bond between the $\pi$ electrons located above and below the plane of the benzene ring and the ammonia molecules of the host lattice. Therefore, we may reasonably suggest that the frequency shifts in our clathrate compounds are due to the $\pi$ electron donation from the benzene ring to the hydrogen atoms of adenine which has a more electrophilic character caused by the coordination.

Another essential feature of the out-of-plane CH bending vibration $\left(\mathrm{A}_{2 \mathrm{u}}\right)$ is that it appears as a very intense single band at $681 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ in the infrared spectra of the clathrate compounds (Table III). A similar single band was observed in the infrared spectra of the $\mathrm{Cd}\left(4,4^{\prime}\right.$-bipyridyl) $\mathrm{M}^{\prime}(\mathrm{CN})_{4} \cdot 2 \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}$ [30]. This vibrational mode splits into a doublet in Cd (pyrazine) $\mathrm{M}(\mathrm{CN})_{4} \cdot 2 \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}(\mathrm{M}=\mathrm{Cd}$ or Hg ) [31] and $\mathrm{M}\left(\mathrm{NH}_{3}\right)_{2} \mathrm{M}^{\prime}(\mathrm{CN})_{4} \cdot 2 \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}\left(\mathrm{M}=\mathrm{Mn}\right.$ or $\mathrm{Cd}, \mathrm{M}^{\prime}=\mathrm{Cd}$ or Hg$)$ [1] and into a triplet in M (ethylenediamine) $\mathrm{M}^{\prime}(\mathrm{CN})_{4} \cdot 2 \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}\left(\mathrm{M}=\mathrm{Mn}\right.$ or $\mathrm{Cd}, \mathrm{M}^{\prime}=\mathrm{Cd}$ or Hg$)$ [7]. In the case of clathrates with triplet or doublet features, the splittings have been ascribed to crystal field effects (strong host-guest interactions) [7]. In the case of clathrates with a single band, because of the larger cavities due to the ligands, the host-guest interactions are expected not to be effective for splitting [30].

Based on the present spectral data, it is not possible to determine the conformation of the benzene molecules in the host lattice in our clathrate compounds. As in the Hofmann-type benzene and Hofmann-T ${ }_{d}$-type benzene clathrates, the relative orientation of the $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H}$ bands of adenine with respect to the axis of the $\pi$ cloud of benzene must be the one most favourable for hydrogen bonding [32].

The preceding discussion considered as a whole leads us the conclusion that the host lattice of these clathrates are similar to those of other $\mathrm{T}_{d}$-type clathrates.

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    vs $=$ very strong, $\mathrm{s}=$ strong, $\mathrm{w}=$ weak, $\mathrm{m}=$ medium, $\mathrm{sh}=$ shoulder; no: not observed.

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