

*Solubilité et Diffusion de l'Argent dans le Sulfure de Cadmium.* A. GLEIZE AND F. CABANÉ-BROUTY. Laboratoire de Métallurgie, Université Aix-Marseille III, Faculté des Sciences et des Techniques, rue H. Poincaré, 13397, Marseille Cedex 4, France. Silver penetration is studied with a radiotracer technique. At 700°C, with an excess of cadmium, silver is principally incorporated as neutral interstitials and a very rapid diffusion is observed in single crystals. With an excess of sulfur, the dissolution as neutral interstitials cannot explain the measured solubilities. In pure single crystals, the penetration curves are complex and only a mean diffusion coefficient is obtained (at 700°C,  $D = 2 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{cm}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$ ); in crystals presaturated with silver in the diffusion conditions, a diffusion along dislocations is superimposed to the point defect diffusion. The volume diffusion coefficients are found to be much smaller than those determined in pure crystals; the values obtained between 500 and 600°C led to an activation energy of 1.1 eV. In polycrystalline samples the intergranular diffusion is important.

*Phase Relations, Dopant Effects, Structure, and High Electrical Conductivity in the  $\text{Na}_2\text{WO}_4$ - $\text{Na}_2\text{MoO}_4$  Systems.* P. H. BOTTELBERGHIS AND F. R. VAN BUREN. Department of Inorganic Chemistry, Croesestraat 77A, Utrecht, The Netherlands. The  $x$ ,  $T$ -phase diagram of the binary system  $\text{Na}_2\text{WO}_4$ - $\text{Na}_2\text{MoO}_4$  has been redetermined at ambient pressure, taking into account the influence of hysteresis effects. Thermodynamic calculations, based upon transition entropies as determined by precision DSC, indicate that the system is almost ideal with respect to the high-temperature phases. As anion dopes,  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  and  $\text{Na}_2\text{CrO}_4$  give a metastable extension of the  $\beta$ -phase of  $\text{Na}_2\text{WO}_4$  at decreasing temperature, involving some 40°C at 0.01 mole fraction of dopant. Cation dopes like  $\text{Li}_2\text{WO}_4$  and  $\text{K}_2\text{WO}_4$  behave quite differently. The electrical conductivity through the phase diagram is high in the  $\alpha$ -phase ( $\sigma \sim 10^{-2} \text{mho.cm}^{-1}$ ) almost regardless of composition. The anomalous high conductivity of the  $\beta$ -phase decreases with increasing molybdate content. In pure  $\text{Na}_2\text{MoO}_4$  an anomaly occurs at the  $\alpha$ - $\alpha_2$  transition, resembling the behaviour of  $\text{Na}_2\text{WO}_4$  at the  $\beta$ - $\alpha$  transition. The (highest)  $\alpha_2$ -phase is hexagonal, ( $P6_3/mmc$ ), showing large anisotropic thermal vibrations. The  $\alpha$ -phase is orthorhombic ( $Fddd$ ) as is the  $\beta$ -phase (probably  $Pbn2_1$ ).

*The High Temperature Behaviour of  $\text{In}_2\text{O}_3$ .* J. H. W. DEWIT. Inorganic Chemistry Department, University of Utrecht, Croesestraat 77a, Utrecht, The Netherlands. The electrical conductivity of  $\text{In}_2\text{O}_3$  has been measured up to 1400°C in air. The temperature dependence of the conductivity at high temperatures yields an activation energy of  $1.5 \pm 0.1$  eV. This activation energy is interpreted in terms of a nonstoichiometric decomposition of the compound. This interpretation is sustained by thermogravimetric analysis in combination with a gas mass analyser. Hall experiments on quenched samples are not in contradiction with this interpretation.

*Filiation Structurale des Phases Dérivées de  $\text{BaFeF}_5$ .* J. RAVEZ, R. VON DER MÜHLL, AND, P. HAGENMULLER. Service de Chimie Minérale Structurale de l'Université de Bordeaux I, C.N.R.S. 351 cours de la Libération, 33405 Talence, France. The  $\text{BaFeF}_5$ ,  $\text{Sr}_3(\text{FeF}_6)_2$  and  $\text{Sr}_5\text{T}_3\text{F}_{19}$  ( $\text{T} = \text{Ga}, \text{Cr}, \text{Co}$ ) structures are narrowly related: the octahedral chains of the  $\text{BaFeF}_5$  structure can be replaced partially or completely by rows of  $(1\text{Sr}^{2+} + 2\text{F}^-)$  units leading to  $\text{Sr}_3(\text{FeF}_6)_2$  or  $\text{Sr}_5\text{T}_3\text{F}_{19}$  phases. The existence of solid solutions within the ternary system  $\text{SrF}_2$ - $\text{BaF}_2$ - $\text{FeF}_3$  is explained in structural terms.

*Influence de Divers Types de Substitutions Cationiques sur les Propriétés Dielectriques de Niobates de Structure "Bronzes Oxygènes de Tungstène Quadratiques."* M. POUCHARD, J. P. CHAMINADE, A. PERRON, J. RAVEZ, AND P. HAGENMULLER. The value of the ferroelectric Curie temperatures in compounds with the "tetragonal tungsten bronze structure" is related to the steric effect of large alkali or alkaline-earth cations in the lattice tunnels, to the covalency of the transition element-oxygen bonds, and to the introduction of  $\text{Li}^+$  ions, which due to their small size are able to occupy the 9 coordination sites of the structure anisotropically.

*Single Crystal Structure Study of  $\alpha$ - $\text{Ag}_2\text{HgI}_4$ : Evidence for Anharmonic Vibration.* J. S. KASPER AND K. W. BROWALL. General Electric Corporate Research and Development, Schenectady, New York 12301. X-ray diffraction intensities have been measured for two single crystals of  $\alpha$ - $\text{Ag}_2\text{HgI}_4$  at 66°C using  $\text{MoK}_\alpha$  radiation monochromated by reflection from a 022 graphite face. It is found that improvement on the simple zincblende description could be made either by considering all ions to be displaced