Thermodynamics of SmCl₃ and TmCl₃: Experimental Enthalpy of Fusion and Heat Capacity. Estimation of Thermodynamic Functions up to 1300 K

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Heat capacities of solid SmCl₃ and TmCl₃ were measured by differential scanning calorimetry in the temperature range from 300 K up to the respective melting temperatures. The heat capacity of liquid SmCl₃ was also investigated. These results were compared with literature data and fitted by a polynomial temperature dependence. The temperature coefficients were given. Additionally, the enthalpy of fusion of SmCl₃ was measured. Furthermore, by combination of these results with the literature data on the entropy at 298.15 K, $S_{\rm m}^0({\rm LnCl_3}, {\rm s}, 298.15 {\rm K})$ and the standard molar enthalpy of formation of $\Delta_{\rm form} H_{\rm m}^0({\rm LnCl_3}, {\rm s}, 298.15 {\rm K})$, the thermodynamic functions were calculated up to $T=1300 {\rm K}$.

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