

^1H NMR Study of Molecular Motions in Thiourea Pyridinium Nitrate Inclusion Compound

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The proton NMR second moment and spin-lattice relaxation time have been studied for polycrystalline thiourea pyridinium nitrate inclusion compound and its perdeuterated analogues in a wide temperature range. The reorientation of two dynamically different pyridinium cations around their pseudo-hexagonal symmetry axis taking place over inequivalent barriers have been revealed in the low-temperature phase. Activation parameters for these motions have been derived. A symmetrization of the potential barriers has been observed at the transition from intermediate to the high temperature phase. The motion of thiourea molecules has been also evidenced, but could not be unambiguously described.

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