## EPR Study of VO<sup>2+</sup> Doped Diammonium Tricadmium Tetrakis (Sulfate) Pentahydrate [(NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cd<sub>3</sub>(SO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>4</sub>·5H<sub>2</sub>O] Single Crystals

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Electron paramagnetic resonance (EPR) studies are carried out on vanadyl (VO<sup>2+</sup>) ions in diammonium tricadmium tetrakis (sulfate) pentahydrate single crystals at room temperature. The EPR spectra of a single crystal exhibit resonance signals characteristic to VO<sup>2+</sup> ions. The analysis of EPR spectra indicates that the VO<sup>2+</sup> ions in single crystals show two magnetically inequivalent VO<sup>2+</sup> sites in distinct orientations occupying substitutional positions in the lattice and showing very high angular dependence. They form in octahedral coordination with tetragonal compression with  $C_{4\nu}$  symmetry. The spin Hamiltonian parameters are determined, and these parameters have been used to estimate the bonding coefficients of the VO<sup>2+</sup> ion in a diammonium tricadmium tetrakis (sulfate) pentahydrate lattice. The parallel and perpendicular components of axially symmetric  $\bf g$  and hyperfine ( $\bf A$ ) tensors are evaluated and the results are discussed and compared with previous reports.

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