



A new series of copper-linked polyoxoniobates

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Synthesis & characterization

Synthetic strategy Use $[\text{Nb}_6\text{O}_{19}]^{8-}$ or $[\text{Nb}_6\text{O}_{19}\text{H}_2]^{6-}$ Lindqvist ions
Use $[\text{ML}_x]^{n+}$ type complexes as linkers

$\text{M} = \text{Cu}, \text{Co}$; $\text{L} = (\text{en}), \text{NH}_3, \text{H}_2\text{O}$

Reactions carried out at high (10.5 – 12.0) pH range where the PON clusters are stable

Reflux for 30 min @ 60°C , pH ~ 12

Crystallization @ room temperature, 3-5 days

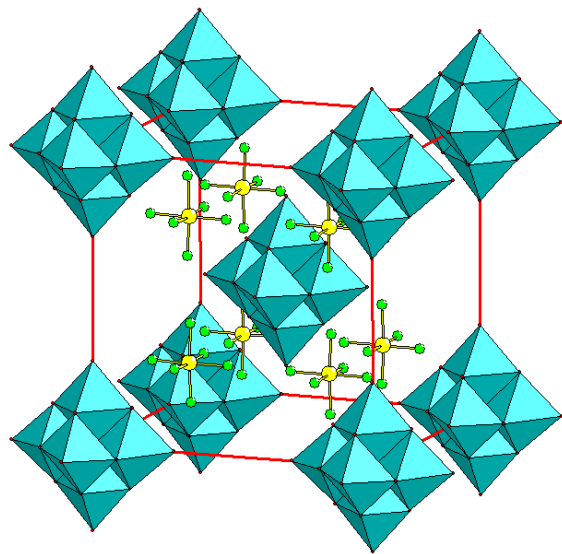
Characterization: Structures solved by single crystal methods
FTIR, Magnetic measurements (SQUID),
Chemical analysis (Galbraith Labs, Inc.)

$[\text{CoL}_x] / [\text{Nb}_6\text{O}_{19}\text{H}_2]$ – type phases

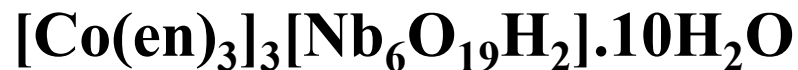
$\text{L} = \text{NH}_3$



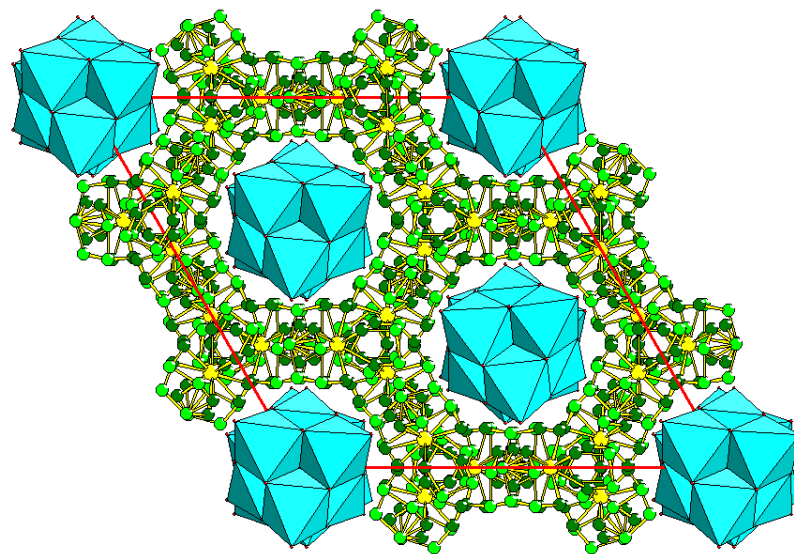
Cubic, SG I23; $a = 14.302 \text{ \AA}$



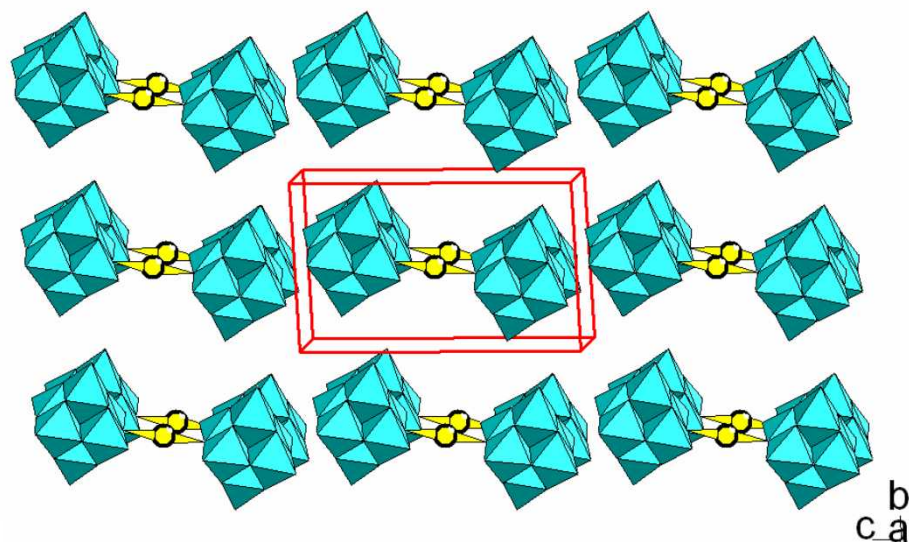
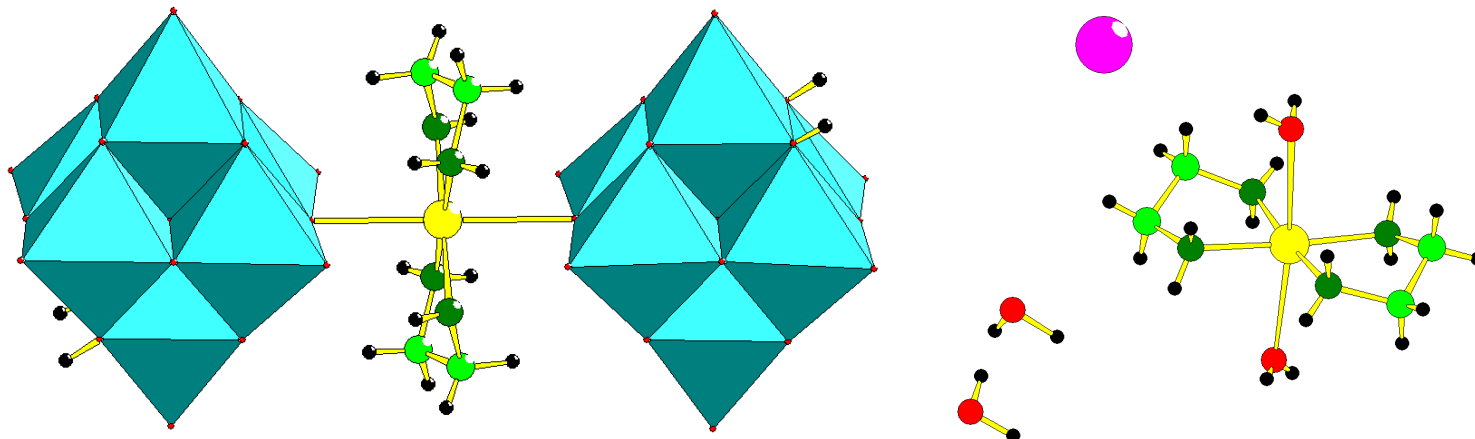
$\text{L} = (\text{en})$



SG R-3c; $a = 18.205 \text{ \AA}$, $c = 35.719 \text{ \AA}$



$\text{Rb}_4[\text{Cu}(\text{en})_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]_3[(\text{Nb}_6\text{O}_{19}\text{H}_2)_2\text{Cu}(\text{en})_2]\cdot 24\text{H}_2\text{O}$



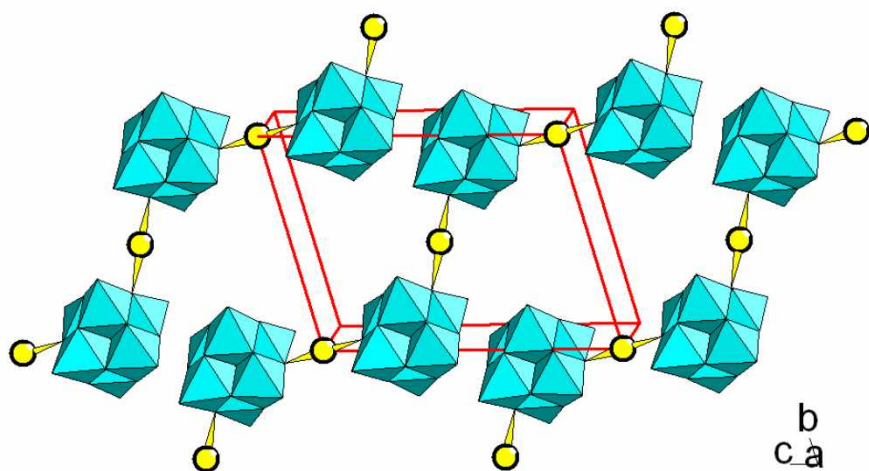
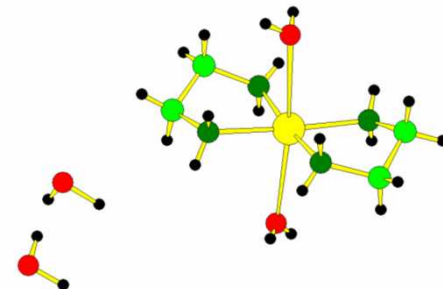
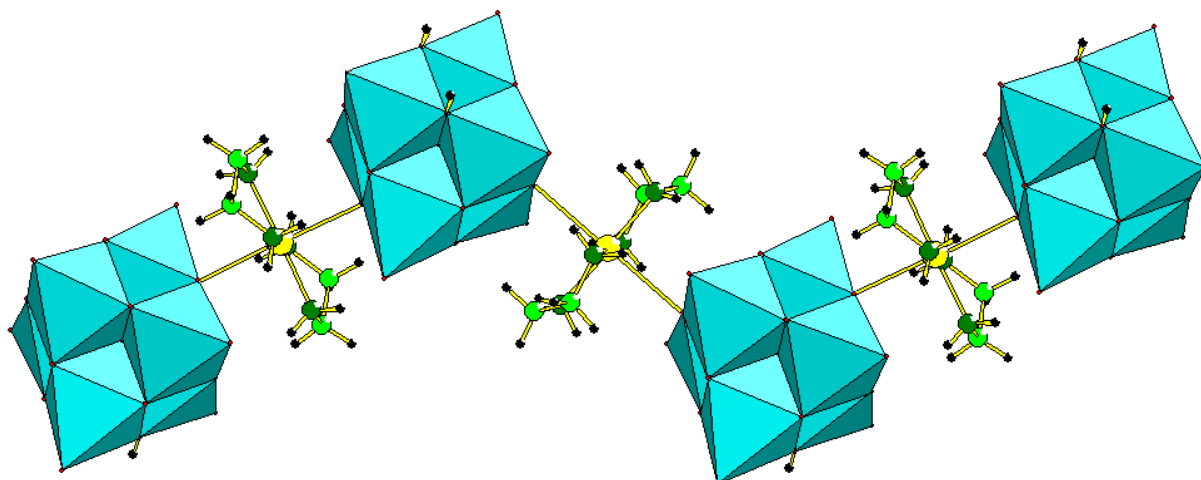
Triclinic, P-1 (#2)

$a = 11.9708(13) \text{ \AA}$ $\alpha = 88.917(1) \text{ deg.}$
 $b = 12.3451(13) \text{ \AA}$ $\beta = 89.445(1) \text{ deg.}$
 $c = 17.4481(19) \text{ \AA}$ $\gamma = 61.601(1) \text{ deg.}$
 $V = 2267.8(4) \text{ \AA}^3$ $Z = 2$

$R1 = 0.0273$; $wR2 = 0.0671$ ($I > 2\sigma(I)$)

$R1 = 0.0305$; $wR2 = 0.0687$ (all data)

$[\text{Cu}(\text{en})_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]_2[(\text{Nb}_6\text{O}_{19}\text{H}_2)\text{Cu}(\text{en})_2]\cdot 14\text{H}_2\text{O}$

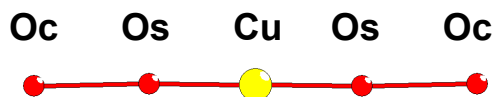
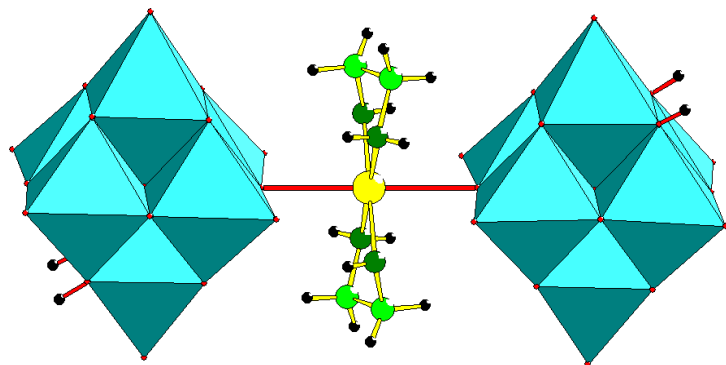


Triclinic, P-1 (#2)

$a = 12.6242(10) \text{ \AA}$ $\alpha = 74.622(1) \text{ deg.}$
 $b = 12.6577(10) \text{ \AA}$ $\beta = 88.541(1) \text{ deg.}$
 $c = 16.4412(13) \text{ \AA}$ $\gamma = 81.502(1) \text{ deg.}$
 $V = 2505.1(3) \text{ \AA}^3$ $Z = 2$

$R1 = 0.0245$; $wR2 = 0.0657$ ($I > 2\sigma(I)$)
 $R1 = 0.0264$; $wR2 = 0.0743$ (all data)

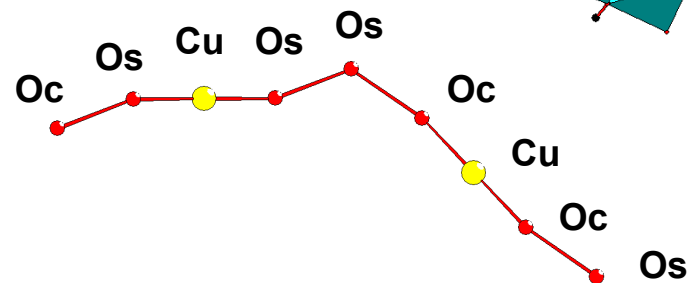
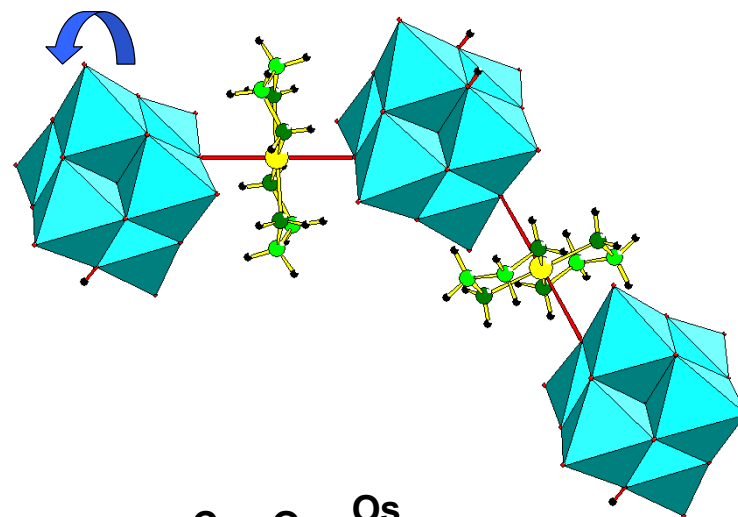
Structural comparison



Oc-Os-Cu = 177.9 deg.

Cu-Os = 2.53 Å

Cu-N = 2.00 – 2.02 Å

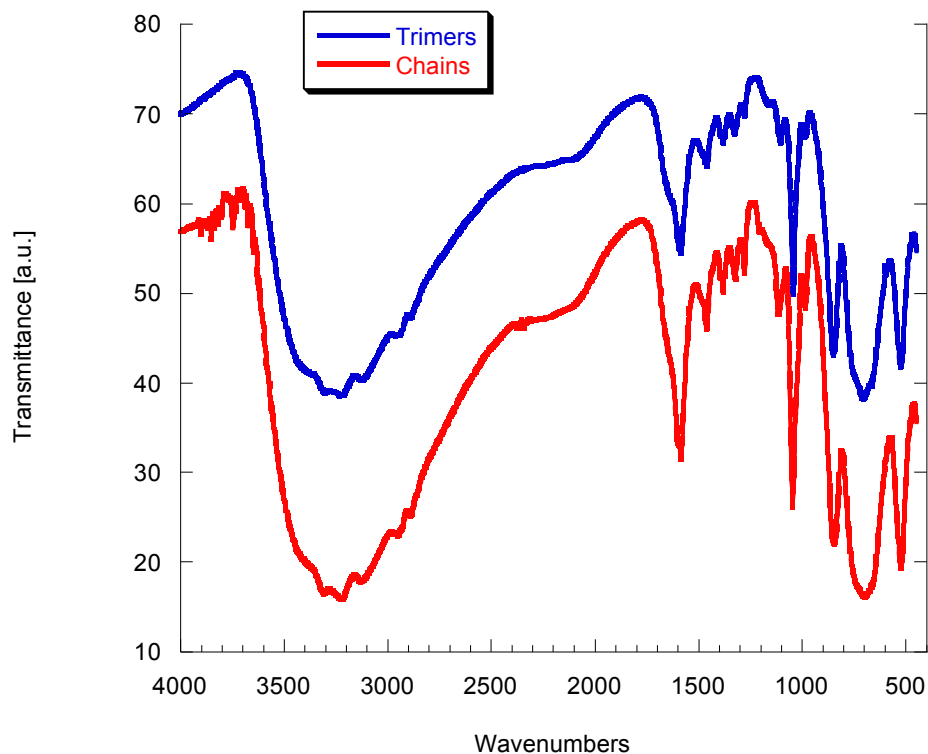


Oc-Os-Cu = 159.5 / 162.1deg.

Cu-Os = 2.45 / 2.67 Å

Cu-N = 2.00 – 2.03 Å

FTIR & chemical analysis



Characteristic bands

Nb_6O_{19} : 500 – 850 cm^{-1}

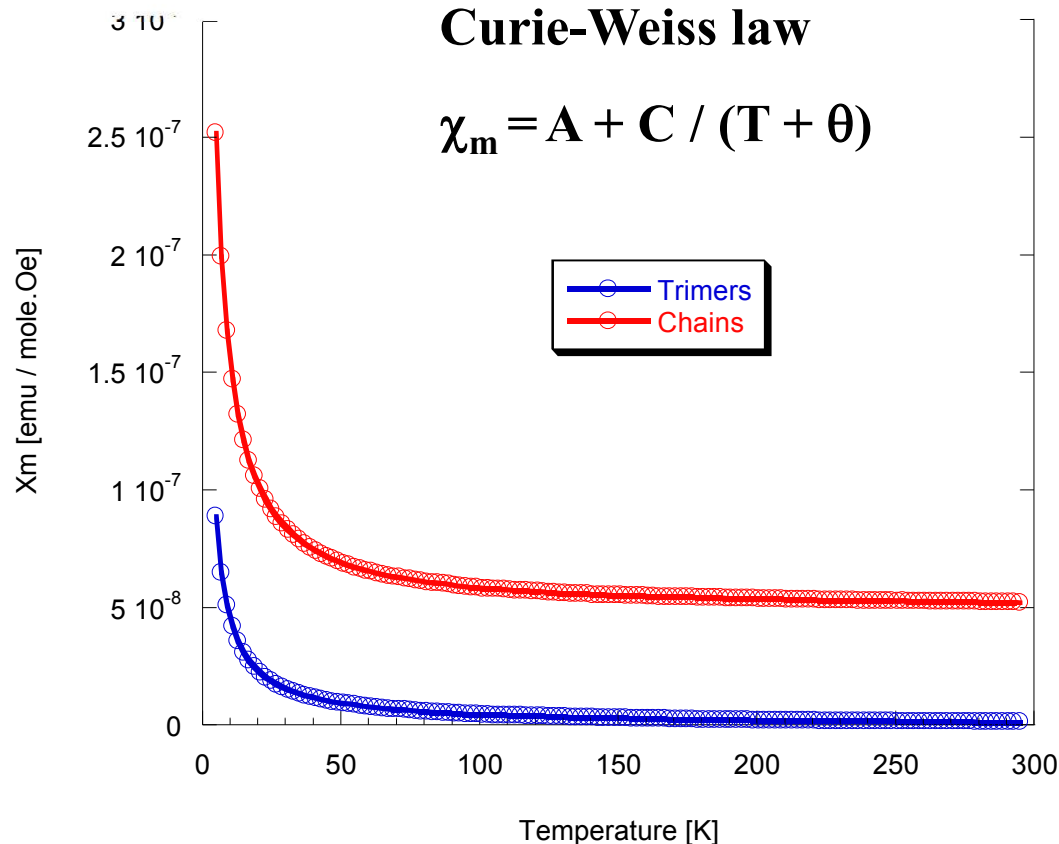
(en): 900 – 1450, 2800 – 3300 cm^{-1}

H_2O : 1600, 3300 cm^{-1}

Magnetic properties

Curie-Weiss law

$$\chi_m = A + C / (T + \theta)$$



3-parameter fit (A , C and θ)

Trimers: $A = -9.41 \times 10^{-4} \text{ emu/M.Oe}$

$C = 1.55 \text{ emu.K/M.Oe}$

$\theta = 0.4 \text{ K}$

$R = 0.9999$

$\mu_{\text{eff}}(\text{Cu}^{2+}) = 1.81 \mu_B$

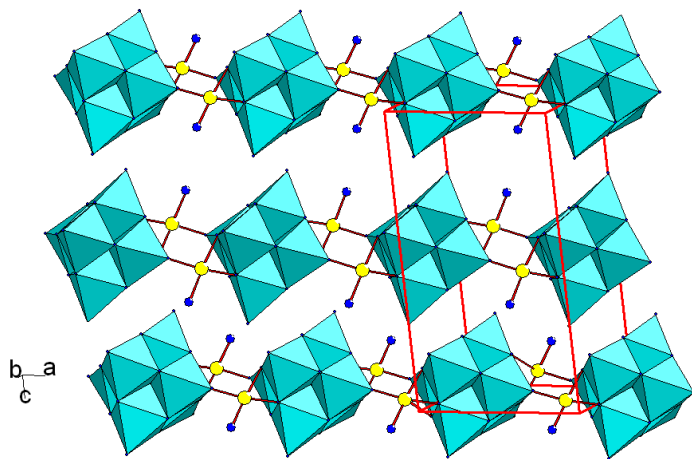
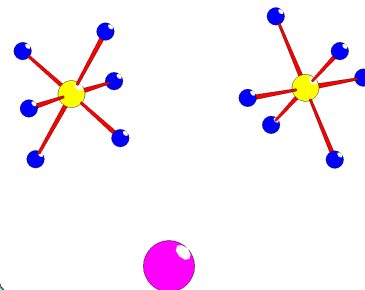
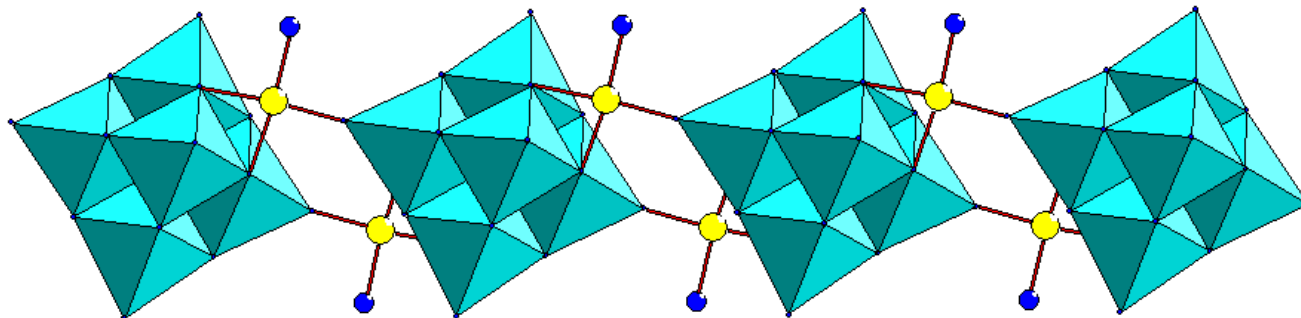
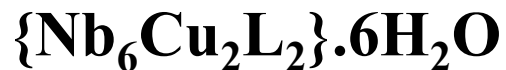
Chains: $A = 3.85 \times 10^{-2} \text{ emu/M.Oe}$

$C = 0.91 \text{ emu.K/M.Oe}$

$\theta = 0.4 \text{ K}$

$R = 0.9998$

$\mu_{\text{eff}}(\text{Cu}^{2+}) = 1.55 \mu_B$



$\text{Cu-O} = 1.92 - 2.00 \text{ \AA}$

$\text{Cu-L} = 1.97 \text{ \AA}$

Triclinic, P-1 (#2)

$a = 8.7520(7) \text{ \AA} \quad \alpha = 86.619(1) \text{ deg.}$

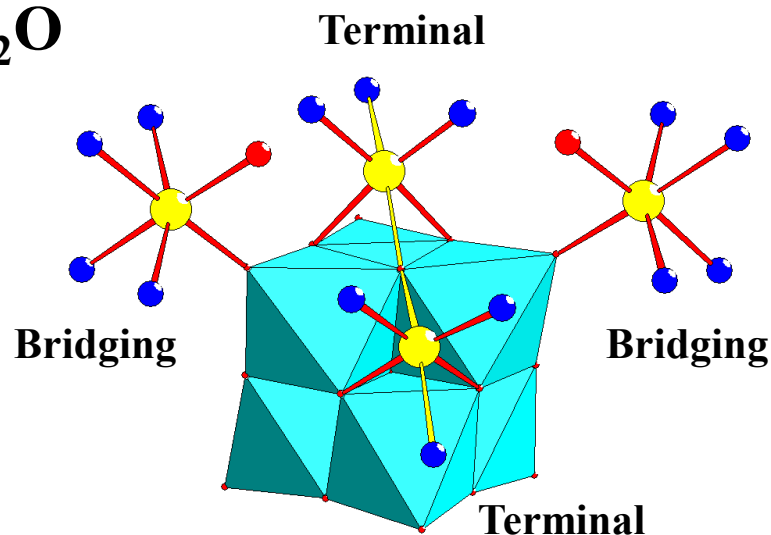
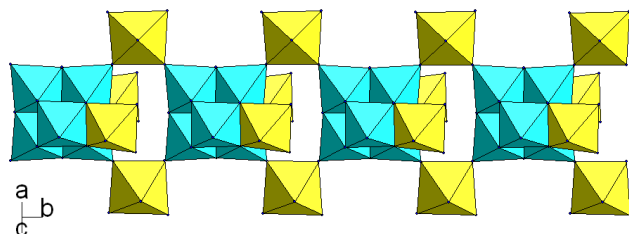
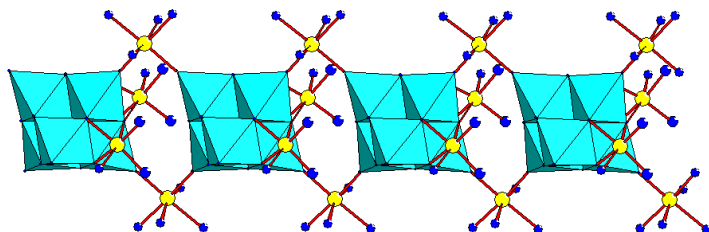
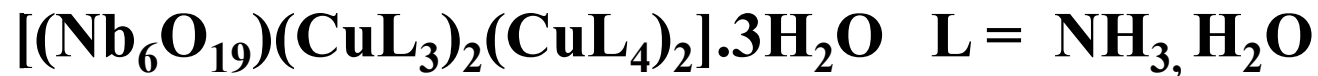
$b = 13.0771(10) \text{ \AA} \quad \beta = 83.649(1) \text{ deg.}$

$c = 15.9280(10) \text{ \AA} \quad \gamma = 88.044(1) \text{ deg.}$

$V = 1807.9(3) \text{ \AA}^3 \quad Z = 2$

$R1 = 0.0293; wR2 = 0.0667 \text{ (I} > 2\sigma(\text{I}))$

$R1 = 0.0337; wR2 = 0.0752 \text{ (all data)}$



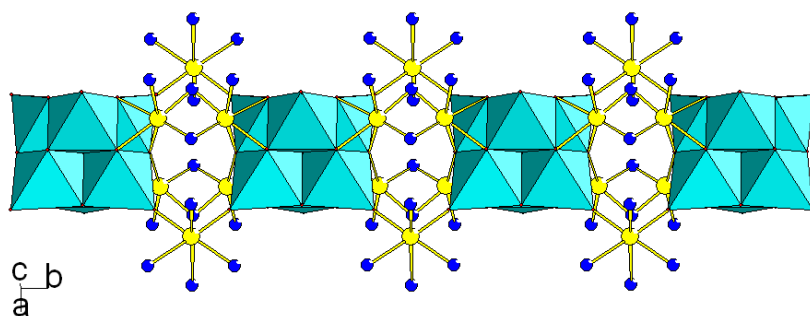
Terminal: Cu-O, Cu-L = 1.99 – 2.07 Å
Cu-O, Cu-L = 2.35 , 2.54 Å

Bridging: Cu-O, Cu-L = 2.13 , 2.16 Å
Cu-O, Cu-L = 2.29 – 2.37 Å

$a = 13.639(3) \text{ \AA}$ $\alpha = 90.00 \text{ deg.}$
 $b = 8.870(2) \text{ \AA}$ $\beta = 96.84(3) \text{ deg.}$
 $c = 13.639(3) \text{ \AA}$ $\gamma = 90.00 \text{ deg.}$
 $V = 1663.2(6) \text{ \AA}^3$ $Z = 2$
 $R1 = 0.0904; wR2 = 0.1777 \text{ (I} > 2\sigma(\text{I}))$
 $R1 = 0.1033; wR2 = 0.1902 \text{ (all data)}$



Dehydrated, disordered form



Positional disorder of the terminal

CuO_3L_3 , 50% occupancy

Monoclinic, C2/m (#12)

$a = 18.266(5) \text{ \AA}$ $\alpha = 90.00 \text{ deg.}$

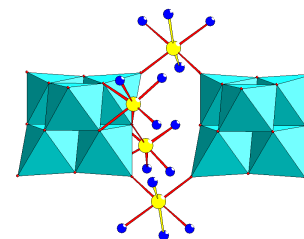
$b = 8.913(5) \text{ \AA}$ $\beta = 130.840(5) \text{ deg.}$

$c = 13.591(5) \text{ \AA}$ $\gamma = 90.00 \text{ deg.}$

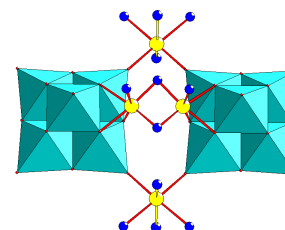
$V = 1674.0(8) \text{ \AA}^3$ $Z = 2$

$R1 = 0.0912$; $wR2 = 0.1845$ ($I > 2\sigma(I)$)

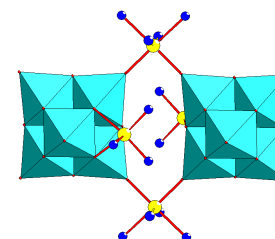
$R1 = 0.0985$; $wR2 = 0.1942$ (all data)



$\text{Cu-Cu} = 4.60 \text{ \AA}$

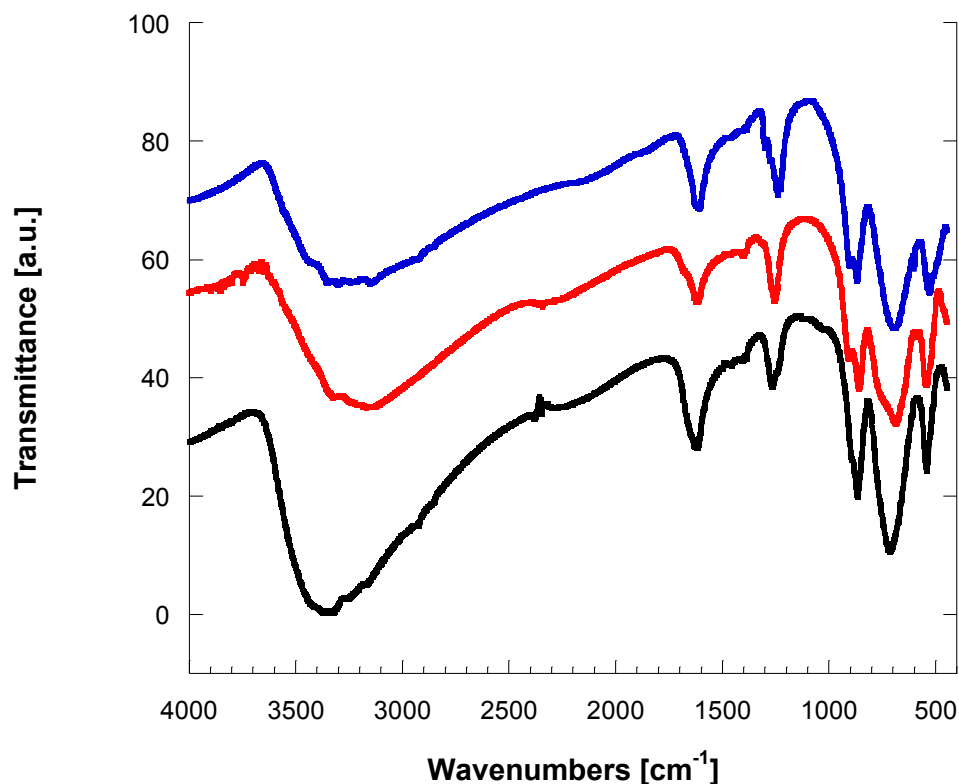
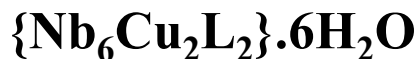


$\text{Cu-Cu} = 2.72 \text{ \AA}$



$\text{Cu-Cu} = 5.34 \text{ \AA}$

FTIR & chemical analysis



Characteristic bands

Nb_6O_{19} : 500 – 850 cm^{-1}

NH_3 : 800, 1320, 1600, 3250 cm^{-1}

H_2O : 1600, 3300 cm^{-1}



Summary & Conclusions

Compatibility of different Nb_xO_y structural motifs as secondary building units (SBUs) capable of forming complex cluster polyoxoniobates (PONs), proven on the example of $\{\text{Nb}_{24}\}$.

Confirmed ability to use PON clusters and metal complexes as SBUs in order to form extended $-\{\text{Nb}_n\}-\text{ML}_x-$ type structures.

Low temperature self-assembly – a sound method for the synthesis of diverse PON cluster anions and extended structures.

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