

Ca_2MnO_3X (X = Cl, Br) – Oxyhalides with 1-dimensional ferromagnetic chains of square planar S = 2 Mn³⁺

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Mixed Anion Materials



Compounds with more than one anionic species





Kageyama et al. Nature Communications 2018





Hume-Rothery rules

For substitutional solid solutions:

The atomic radius of the solute and solvent atoms must differ by no more than 15%

A significant size difference between ions results in the occupation of different crystallographic sites





Will favor layered order

Hume-Rothery and Powell Zeitschrift für Kristallographie 1935



55,000

45,000

35,000 2000

1000

No. of compounds



n = 1 Ruddlesden-Popper Structure





Knee and Weller Chem Mater 2002



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Coordination Requirements



Kriworuschenko and Kahlenberg Crystal Research and Technology, 2002; Hector et al. J Mater Chem 2001, Sannes et al. ACS Omega 2023





Can we make Ca₂MnO₃Cl?

2CaO + ½MnO₂ + ½MnCl₂ Quartz tube sealed under vacuum 1×12h 850 °C

 → Orange powder
→ Moisture sensitive (decomp. in days)

→ Sharp reflections → Not Ca_2FeO_3Cl structure

Structure solution

 $\rightarrow \text{TEM}$





- EDX analysis (avg 10 crystallites):
 - Ca_{2.0(1)}Mn_{1.3(1)}Cl_{0.7(1)}O_x
- *Cmcm*
 - *a* = 9.75 Å
 - *b* = 6.49 Å
 - *c* = 6.58 Å

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• vol. = 416 Å³







Refinement against Lab XRD





Crystal structure

- Chains of Mn³⁺O₄ square-planes
- α ~ 120 °

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(a)	(b)
	α
a waa waa	b o o
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Ca₂MnO₃Cl

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Magnetic Properties



C = 3.23 emu K / mol and 3.04 emu K / mol

 μ_{eff} = 5.09 μ_{B} and 4.93 μ_{B} vs. μ_{exp} = 4.90 μ_{B}

 θ = 22 K and 19 K for X = CI and Br respectively 48 K (*) \rightarrow FiM Mn₂O₃ impurity <1% by mass AFM T_N \sim 20 and 28 K (---)



D1b







Structural Properties



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Magnetic structure

- FM chains coupled AFM
- Refined 3.7(1) and 3.5(1) μ_B

Interaction through halide responsible for long range order









Halide interactions



Mn-...Cl...-Mn < Mn-...Br...-Mn

McGuire, et al. Crystals 2017; Westphal, et al. J. Phys. C: Solid State Phys. 1980; Westphal, et al. J. Phys. C: Solid State Phys. 1982; Extended Interactions between Metal Ions: In Transition Metal Complexes 1974; Magnetochemistry 1986 6.488 Å 6.563 Å 5.855 Å 5.936 Å

T _N	<i>X</i> = Cl	<i>X</i> = Br
Ca ₂ MnO ₃ X	20 K	28 K
MnX ₂	1.96 K	2.16 K
MnX ₂ ·4H ₂ O	1.62 K	2.12 K
[(CH ₃) ₃ NH]MnX ₃ ·4H ₂ O	0.98 K	1.58 K



Conclusion

- Synthesis of two oxyhalides w/ novel structure type
- 1-dimensional chains of square-planar S = 2 Mn³⁺
- FM chains coupled AFM
- Determinant magnetic interaction through halide
- Spin-flop transitions at low T







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