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Preface

The entries in this and succeeding volumes of the "Encyclopedia of Chemical Reactions" represent almost entirely the file compiled by the late Dr. C. A. Jacobson at the time of his death several years ago. They are based upon reactions abstracted from technical and scientific periodicals by over 100 abstractors who endeavored to fulfill his goal of a compilation of chemical reactions involving inorganic reagents.

While the coverage admittedly is incomplete, due to the patent impossibility of culling completely the vast stock of chemical periodical literature, the publication of the remaining volumes of the series is being carried on in the belief that the reactions presented therein offer a valuable reference source to chemists in a wide variety of fields. The Editor has examined and edited all the entry cards in Dr. Jacobson's file, as well as the few hundred received since he undertook to complete the series, with the idea of eliminating duplicates, achieving consistency in nomenclature and formulation, and minimizing the inclusion of erroneous or untenable reactions and descriptions. While criticism may be made of some of his decisions relating to content and to mode of presentation, it is hoped and intended that the material included is helpful rather than confusing to the users of the book.

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Abbreviations

Ac stands for	acetate
c stands for	with
conc. stands for	concentrated
Δ stands for	heat
decomp. stands for	decomposition
dil. stands for	dilute
ϵ stands for	electric current or spark
Et stands for	ethyl
m- stands for	meta
M stands for	univalent metal
Me stands for	methyl
N stands for	normal
o- stands for	ortho
p- stands for	para
P stands for	pressure
Ph stands for	phenyl
p.p.m. stands for	parts per million
sol. stands for	solution
en stands for	ethylenediamino
pn stands for	propylenediamino
py stands for	pyridino

Temperatures are in degrees centigrade unless otherwise indicated.

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SAMARIUM

SmBr₃

AuBr,

VI-1

	Solutions of samarium bromide and gold bromide mixed and evaporated yield large, deliquescent, rhombic tablets of decahydrated samarium bromoaurate.	ř
	SmBr ₃ + AuBr ₃ + $10H_2O \rightarrow SmAuBr_6 \cdot 10H_2O$	
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П,0	SmBr ₃	I - :
1120	Samarium bromide crystallizes from a water solution as large, topazyellow, deliquescent, hexahydrated crystals.	107
	$SmBr_3 + 6H_2O \rightarrow SmBr_3$	
	P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Vet. Ak. Handl. Öfvers, 42, No. 1, 16 (1885)	10
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D ₄ /4	Sm(CN) ₃	T - 3
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	Solutions of samarium cyanide and platinum cyanide mixed and evaporated yield the hydrated double cyanide of samarium and platinum.	
	$2Sm(CN)_3 + 3Pt(CN)_2 + 18H_2O \longrightarrow Sm_2Pt_3(CN)_{12}$	
	P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Vet. Ak. Handl. Öfvers., 42, No. 1, 16 (1885)	10
	(CH,COO),Sm	
H ₂ C		1-4
	Solutions of samarium acetate and tartaric acid precipitate hexahydrated samarium tartrate as a copious white powder.	
	$2(CH_3COO)_3Sm + 3H_2C_4H_4O_6 + 6H_2O \rightarrow$	
	$Sm_2(C_4H_4O_6)_3 \cdot 6H_2O + 6CH_3COOH$	
	P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Ver. Ak. Handl. Öfvers., 42, No. 1, 20 (1885)	10
	(CH ₃ COO) ₃ Sm	
H ₂ S		I - E
	Selenous acid added to samarium acetate solution precipitates penta- hydrated samarium selenite selenous anhydride, as a voluminous pow- der which quickly changes to microscopic needles.	
	$2(CH_3COO)_3Sm + 4H_2SeO_3 + 4H_2O \rightarrow 6CH_3COOH +$	
	$Sm_2(SeO_3)_3 \cdot SeO_2 \cdot 5H_2O$	
	P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Vet. Ak. Handl. Öfvers., 40, No. 7, 24 (1883)	10
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(CH₃COO)₃Sm

K,SO,

VI-6

An excess of potassium sulfate precipitates, from a samarium acetate solution, white, powdery 2:9:3 hydrated double sulfate of samarium and potassium.

 $4(CH_3COO)_3Sm + 15K_2SO_4 + 3H_2O \rightarrow$

12CH₃COOK + 12CH₃COOK + [Sm₂(SO₄)₃]₂.

P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Vet. Ak. Handl. Öfvers., 40, No. 7, 24 (1883)

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SmCl₃

AuCl,

VI - 7

Solutions of samarium chloride and gold chloride mixed and evaporated yield large, deliquescent, rhombic tablets of decahydrated samarium chloroaurate.

 $SmCl_3 + AuCl_3 + 10H_2O \longrightarrow SmAuCl_6 \cdot 10H_2O$

P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Vet. Ak. Handl. Ofvers., 42, No. 1, 16 (1885)

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SmCl.

HF

VI - 8

From samarium salt solution, hydrofluoric acid precipitates hemihydrated samarium fluoride as a whitish, voluminous powder.

$$2SmCl_3 + 6HF + H_2O \rightarrow (SmF_3)_2 \cdot H_2O + (6HCl)$$

P. T. Cleve, Nova Act. Reg. Soc. Sci. Upsal., [3], 13, No. 2, 8 (1885)

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SmCl₃

HIO,

VI-9

Solutions of samarium salts and iodic acid precipitate hexahydrated samarium iodate as a white, amorphous powder.

$$SmCl_3 + 3HIO_3 + 6H_2O \rightarrow Sm(IO_3)_3 \cdot 6H_2O + (3HCI)$$

P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Vet. Ak. Handl. Ofvers., 42, No. 1, 16 (1885)

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SmCl₃

 H_2

VI - 10

Samarium trichloride heated in a current of dry hydrogen is reduced to samarium dichloride with hydrogen chloride being formed.

$$2SmCl_3 + H_2 \longrightarrow SmCl_2 + 2HCl$$

C. Matignon, Ann. chim. phys., [8], 8, 420 (1906)

SmCl₃

H, C, O,

VI - 11

Samarium oxalate is precipitated from samarium chloride solution by oxalic acid. This is a type reaction; cerium and lanthanum do the same.

$$2SmCl_3 + 3H_2C_2O_4 \rightarrow Sm_2(C_2O_4)_3 + (6HCl)$$

W. Crookes, Trans. Roy. Soc. (London), 176, 695 (1885)

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SmCl₃

H, C, O,

VI - 12

Warm concentrated solutions of oxalic acid and of samarium salts precipitate decahydrated samarium oxalate as white flocculent powder that changes first to a light-yellow, tough mass and then to a white, hard mass.

- (a) $2\text{SmCl}_3 + 3\text{H}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4 + 10\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{Sm}_2(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4)_3 \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O} + 6\text{HCl}$
- (b) $Sm_2(SO_4)_3 + 3H_2C_2O_4 + 10H_2O \rightarrow Sm_2(C_2O_4)_3 \cdot 10H_2O + 3H_2SO_4$
- (c) $2\text{Sm}(\text{NO}_3)_3 + 3\text{H}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4 + 10\text{H}_2\text{O} \longrightarrow \text{Sm}_2(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4)_3 \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O} + 6\text{HNO}_3$
- P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Vet. Ak. Handl. Ofvers., 40, No. 7, 25 (1883)

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SmCl,

H,S

VI - 13

Anhydrous samarium trichloride heated in a current of hydrogen sulfide gas decomposes a little at a time to form brown samarium sulfide and hydrogen chloride.

$$(2SmCl_3 + 3H_2S \rightarrow Sm_2S_3 + 6HCl)$$

C. Matignon, Ann. chim. phys., [8], 8, 414 (1906)

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SmCl₃

KHCO₃

VI-14

An excess of potassium bicarbonate added to a samarium salt solution precipitates hexahydrated samarium potassium carbonate as a voluminous, amorphous powder which quickly changes to lustrous scales.

- (a) $SmCl_3 + 4KHCO_3 + 4H_2O \rightarrow SmK(CO_3)_2 \cdot 6H_2O + 3KCl + 2CO_2$
- (b) $Sm(NO_3)_3 + 4KHCO_3 + 4H_2O \longrightarrow SmK(CO_3)_2 \cdot 6H_2O + 3KNO_3 + 2CO_2$
- (c) $Sm_2(SO_4)_3 + 8KHCO_3 + 8H_2O \rightarrow 2SmK(CO_3)_2 \cdot 6H_2O + 3K_2SO_4 + 4CO_2$
- P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Vet. Ak. Handl. Ofvers., 42, No. 1, 17 (1885)

SmCl,

K,C,O,

VI-15

Solutions of samarium salts and potassium oxalate precipitate white, amorphous samarium potassium oxalate, possibly hydrated.

(a)
$$2\operatorname{SmCl}_{3} + 4\operatorname{K}_{2}\operatorname{C}_{2}\operatorname{O}_{4} \longrightarrow 2\operatorname{SmK}(\operatorname{C}_{2}\operatorname{O}_{4})_{2} + (6\operatorname{KCl})$$

(b)
$$2\text{Sm}(\text{NO}_3)_3 + 4\text{K}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4 \longrightarrow 2\text{Sm}\text{K}(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4)_2 + (6\text{KNO}_3)$$

(c)
$$Sm_2(SO_4)_3 + 4K_2C_2O_4 \rightarrow 2SmK(C_2O_4)_2 + (3K_2SO_4)$$

P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Vet. Ak. Handl. Ofvers., 42, No. 1, 19 (1885)

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SmCl,

K,Fe(CN)

VI-16

Samarium salts and potassium ferrocyanide solutions precipitate amorphous, dirty yellow, finely crystalline samarium potassium ferrocyanide, perhaps hydrated.

$$SmCl_3 + K_4Fe(CN)_6 \rightarrow SmKFe(CN)_6 + (3KCl)$$

P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Vet. Ak. Handl. Ofvers., 42, No. 1, 16 (1885)

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SmCl.

NH,OH

VI-17

Ammonium hydroxide, added to a samarium salt solution, precipitates gelatinous, yellowish white samarium hydroxide.

(a)
$$SmCl_3 + 3NH_4OH \rightarrow Sm(OH)_3 + 3NH_4CI$$

(b)
$$Sm_2(SO_4)_3 + 6NH_4OH \rightarrow 2Sm(OH)_3 + 3(NH_4)_2SO_4$$

(c)
$$Sm(NO_8)_3 + 3NH_4OH \longrightarrow Sm(OH)_3 + 3NH_4NO_3$$

P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Vet. Ak. Handl. Öfvers., 40, No. 7, 22 (1883) Ref., W. Crookes, Trans. Roy. Soc. (London), 176, 696 (1885)

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SmCl₃

NaOH

VI-18

The rapidly precipitated and unaged oxide of samarium is a hydrous form.

A. B. Weiser and W. O. Milligan, J. Phys. Chem., 42, 677 (1938)

SmCl_a

PtCl,

VI-19

Mixed solutions of samarium chloride and platinum tetrachloride yield on evaporation long, deliquescent, orange-colored prisms of the hydrated double chloride of samarium and platinum.

 $2SmCl_3 + 2PtCl_4 + 21H_2O \longrightarrow (SmCl_3)_2 \cdot (PtCl_4)_2 \cdot 21H_2O$

P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Vet. Ak. Handl. Ofvers., 40, No. 7, 22 (1883)

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SmCl₃

3

VI-20

Anhydrous samarium chloride is mixed with one-third its weight of barium chloride, fused and electrolyzed in an apparatus using carbon electrodes and a current of 100 amperes. Metallic samarium is produced as a gray powder which becomes yellowish in the air.

$$2SmCl_3 \rightarrow 2Sm + 3Cl_2$$

W. Muthman and L. Weiss, Ann., 331, 24 (1904)

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SmCl₃·6H₂O

Δ

VI-21

Samarium trichloride hexahydrate heated to 110° in presence of anhydrous hydrogen chloride gas loses 5 molecules of water, forming the monohydrate. Prolonged heating at 180° causes loss of the last molecule of water of hydration to form anhydrous samarium trichloride.

(a) $(SmCl_3 \cdot 6H_2O \rightarrow SmCl_3 \cdot H_2O + 5H_2O)$ at 110°

(b) $(\text{SmCl}_3 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{SmCl}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{O}) \text{ at } 180^{\circ}$

C. Matignon, Ann. chim. phys., [8], 8, 373 (1906)

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$Sm(NO_3)_3$

C₂H₈O₂

VI-22

3.5 grams of samarium nitrate are dissolved in 20 ml of water and treated with 4.5 grams of freshly distilled acetylacetone made slightly alkaline with ammonia. Crystals of samarium acetylacetonate crystallize from the solution. These are dried over sulfuric acid. They melt at 146.7°.

$$Sm(NO_3)_3 + 3C_5H_8O_2 \longrightarrow (C_8H_7O_2)_3Sm + 3HNO_3$$

W. Biltz, Ann., 331, 344 (1904)

Sm(NO₂)₃

HIO.

VI-23

From a samarium nitrate (or samarium acetate) solution, periodic acid precipitates tetrahydrated samarium periodate as an amorphous powder which quickly changes to small prismatic needles.

- (a) $Sm(NO_3)_3 + 3HIO_4 + 4H_2O \rightarrow (Sm(IO_4)_3 \cdot 4H_2O + 3HNO_3)$
- (b) $Sm(C_2H_3O_2)_3 + 3HIO_4 + 4H_2O \rightarrow (Sm(IO_4)_3 \cdot 4H_2O + 3HC_2H_3O_2)$
- P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Vet. Ak. Handl. Ofvers., 42, No. 1, 16 (1885)

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Sm(NO₃)₃

H,SO,

VI - 24

Samarium nitrate and sulfuric acid, evaporated on the water bath, yield large, well-formed, lustrous, topaz-yellow crystals of octahy-drated samarium sulfate.

 $2Sm(NO₃)₃ + 3H₂SO₄ + 8H₂O \longrightarrow (6HNO₃) + Sm₂(SO₄)₃ \cdot 8H₂O$

P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Vet. Ak. Handl. Ofvers., 40, No. 7, 23 (1883)

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 $Sm(NO_3)_3$

K2CrO4

VI - 25

Solutions of samarium nitrate and potassium chromate precipitate trihydrated samarium potassium chromate as a yellow crystalline powder.

 $2 \text{Sm}(\text{NO}_3)_3 + 4 \text{K}_2 \text{CrO}_4 + 6 \text{H}_2 \text{O} \longrightarrow 2 \text{SmK}(\text{CrO}_4)_2 \cdot 3 \text{H}_2 \text{O} + 6 \text{KNO}_3$

P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Vet. Ak. Handl. Ofvers., 42, No. 1, 19 (1885)

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 $Sm(NO_3)_3$

NH₄OH C₄H₄O₄ VI - 26

5.43 grams of samarium nitrate are dissolved in water and treated with ammonium hydroxide. The suspended samarium hydroxide is then treated with the calculated amount of malonic acid in water. The solution is filtered and the filtrate heated to boiling for thirty minutes. Crystals of samarium malonate with six H₂O form.

- (a) $Sm(NO_3)_3 + 3NH_4OH \rightarrow Sm(OH)_3 + 3NH_4NO_3$
- (b) $2\text{Sm}(OH)_3 + 3C_3H_4O_4 \rightarrow (C_3H_2O_4)_3\text{Sm}_2 \cdot 6H_2O$
- H. Erdmann and F. Wirth, Ann., 361, 203 (1908)

Sm(NO₃)₃

(NH₄)₂CO₃

VI-27

An excess of ammonium carbonate precipitates from a samarium nitrate solution dihydrated samarium ammonium carbonate as a heavy yellowishwhite powder made up of microscopic crystalline pellets.

 $\mathrm{Sm}(\mathrm{NO_3})_3 + 2(\mathrm{NH_4})_2\mathrm{CO_3} + 2\mathrm{H_2O} \longrightarrow \mathrm{SmNH_4}(\mathrm{CO_3})_2 \cdot 2\mathrm{H_2O} + 3\mathrm{NH_4NO_3}$

P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Vet. Ak. Handl. Ofvers., 42, No. 1, 17 (1885)

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 $Sm(NO_3)_3$

NaVO₃

VI - 28

When solutions of samarium nitrate and sodium metavanadate are mixed, anhydrous samarium orthovanadate precipitates as a yellowish-white amorphous powder.

 $Sm(NO_3)_3 + NaVO_3 + H_2O \longrightarrow SmVO_4 + NaNO_3 + 2HNO_3$

P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Vet. Ak. Handl. Ofvers., 42, No. 1, 18 (1885)

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 $Sm(NO_3)_3$

Na2CO3

VI - 29

A large excess of sodium carbonate solution precipitates from a samarium nitrate solution octahydrated samarium sodium carbonate as a heavy, yellowish-white, crystalline powder.

 $\label{eq:smna} \text{Sm(NO}_3)_3 + 2\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 + 8\text{H}_2\text{O} \\ \longrightarrow \\ \text{SmNa(CO}_3)_2 \cdot 8\text{H}_2\text{O} + 3\text{NaNO}_3$

P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Vet. Ak. Handl. Öfvers., 42, No. 1, 17 (1885)

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 $Sm(NO_3)_3$

Na₂HPO₄

VI - 30

Solutions of samarium nitrate and disodium orthophosphate precipitate dihydrated samarium orthophosphate as a white, amorphous powder.

 $Na_2HPO_4 + Sm(NO_3)_3 + 2H_2O \rightarrow SmPO_4 \cdot 2H_2O + 2NaNO_3 + HNO_3$

P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Vet. Ak. Handl. Ofvers., 42, No. 1, 18 (1885)

 $Sm(NO_3)_3$

Na₄V₂O₇

VI-31

Solutions of samarium nitrate and of sodium pyrovanadate, when mixed, yield on evaporation large, well-formed red and yellow crystals of the 1:5:28 and 1:5:24, respectively, hydrated samarium metavanadate vanadic acid anhydride.

(a) $5\text{Na}_4\text{V}_2\text{O}_7 + 2\text{Sm}(\text{NO}_3)_3 + 35\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{Sm}_2\text{O}_3 \cdot (\text{V}_2\text{O}_5)_5 \cdot 28\text{H}_2\text{O} +$

 $(6NaNO_3 + 14NaOH)$

(b) $5\text{Na}_4\text{V}_2\text{O}_7 + 2\text{Sm}(\text{NO}_3)_3 + 31\text{H}_2\text{O} \longrightarrow \text{Sm}_2\text{O}_3 \cdot (\text{V}_2\text{O}_5)_5 \cdot 24\text{H}_2\text{O} +$

 $(6NaNO_3 + 14NaOH)$

P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Vet. Ak. Handl. Ofvers., 42, No. 1, 18 (1885)

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Sm(OH),

 CO_2

VI-32

Carbon dioxide changes samarium hydroxide suspended in water to a yellowish-white crystalline powder, trihydrated samarium carbonate.

 $2Sm(OH)_3 + 3CO_2 \rightarrow Sm_2(CO_3)_3 \cdot 3H_2O$

P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Vet. Ak. Handl. Ofvers., 42, No. 1, 17 (1885)

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Sm(OH)3

 $C_2H_4(SO_3H)_2$

VI - 33

Yellow transparent crystals of samarium ethylenedisulfonate are formed when ethylenedisulfonic acid is saturated with samarium hydroxide.

 $2\text{Sm}(OH)_3 + 3\text{C}_2\text{H}_4(SO_3\text{H})_2 \longrightarrow (\text{C}_2\text{H}_4(SO_3)_2)_3\text{Sm}_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ James, Hoben and Robinson, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 34, 279 (1912)

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Sm(OH)₃

 $H_4P_2O_7$

VI-34

Samarium hydroxide dissolves in pyrophosphoric acid and soon deposits small clusters of crystals of heptahydrated samarium hydrogen pyrophosphate.

$$2H_4P_2O_7 + 2Sm(OH)_3 + H_2O \longrightarrow (SmHP_2O_7)_2 \cdot 7H_2O$$

P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Vet. Ak. Handl. Ofvers., 42, No. 1, 18 (1885)

Sm(SCN)₃

H,O

VI - 35

Samarium thiocyanate crystallizes from water solution as deliquescent, light yellow needles of the hexahydrated salt.

$$Sm(SCN)_3 + 6H_2O \rightarrow Sm(SCN)_3 \cdot 6H_2O$$

P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Vet. Ak. Handl. Ofvers., 42, No. 1, 16 (1885)

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Sm(SCN)₃

Hg(CN)2

VI-36

Solutions of samarium thiocyanate and mercuric cyanide yield on evaporation needle crystals of the dodecahydrated double salt, samarium thiocyanate trimercuric cyanide.

$$Sm(SCN)_3 + 3Hg(CN)_2 + 12H_2O \longrightarrow Sm(SCN)_3 \cdot (Hg(CN)_2)_3 \cdot 12H_2O$$

P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Vet. Ak. Handl. Ofvers., 42, No. 1, 16 (1885)

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 $Sm_2(C_2O_4)_3$

Δ

VI - 37

Samarium oxalate when heated yields samarium sesquioxide as a white powder with a tinge of yellow.

$$Sm_2(C_2O_4)_3 + \Delta \longrightarrow Sm_2O_3 + (3CO + 3CO_2)$$

P. T. Cleve, K. Sven. Vet. Ak. Handl. Ofvers., 40, No. 7, 19 (1883)

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 $Sm_2(C_2O_4)_3$

A HCI H,SO, VI-38

Samarium oxalate is converted into the oxide when ignited and this product is treated with hydrochloric acid, forming samarium chloride. When the chloride is dissolved in alcohol and treated with sulfuric acid, the sulfate precipitates.

- (a) $Sm_2(C_2O_4)_3 \rightarrow Sm_2O_3 + (3CO + 3CO_2)$
- (b) $Sm_2O_3 + 6HCl + 9H_2O \rightarrow 2SmCl_3 \cdot 6H_2O$
- (c) $2\text{SmCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O} + 3\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 \rightarrow \text{Sm}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3 \cdot 8\text{H}_2\text{O} + 6\text{HCl} + 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$

Simon Freed, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 52, 2704 (1930)

 Sm_2O_3

CH(SO₃H)₃

VI-39

Samarium methanetrisulfonate separates when a slightly acid solution of samarium oxide in methanetrisulfonic acid is evaporated.

 $Sm_2O_5 + 2CH(SO_3H)_3 + 13H_2O \longrightarrow (CH(SO_3)_3)_2Sm_2 \cdot 16H_2O$

James, Hoben and Robinson, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 34, 278 (1912)

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 Sm_2O_3

CH,SO,H

VI-40

Samarium methylsulfonate is produced when samarium oxide is added to methylsulfonic acid, heated nearly to boiling.

 $Sm_2O_3 + 6CH_3SO_3H + 4H_2O \rightarrow (CH_3SO_3)_6Sm_2 \cdot 7H_2O$

James, Hoben and Robinson, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 34, 277 (1912)

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Sm2O3

C,H,SO,H

VI-41

Samarium ethylsulfonate is formed when samarium oxide is added to ethylsulfonic acid, heated nearly to boiling.

 $6C_2H_8SO_3H + Sm_2O_3 + 3H_2O \rightarrow (C_2H_8SO_3)_6Sm_2 \cdot 6H_2O$

James, Hoben and Robinson, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 34, 276 (1912)

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 Sm_2O_3

C₆H₄(NO₂)SO₃H

VI-42

Samarium oxide is dissolved in metanitrobenzene sulfonic acid. Large crystals of samarium metanitrobenzene sulfonate are obtained from this solution.

 $Sm_2O_3 + 6C_6H_4(NO_2)SO_3H + 11H_2O \rightarrow 2Sm(C_6H_4(NO_2)SO_3)_3 \cdot 7H_2O$

O. Holmberg, Z. anorg. Chem., 53, 83 (1907)

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 Sm_2O_3

 Cl_2

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Chlorine gas passed over hot samarium oxide yields white powdered samarium oxychloride.

 $2Sm_2O_3 + 2Cl_2 \rightarrow 4SmOCl + (O_2)$

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