

Dynamic registration of D₂¹⁶O absorption spectrum in Silica Aerogel

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The absorption spectra of D₂¹⁶O in 3600-4800 cm⁻¹ were recorded in gas phase and in nanoscale pores 50 nm wide in the silica aerogel using Fourier Transform spectrometer IFS-125M with spectral resolution of 0.01...0.03 cm⁻¹. Absorption cell with an absorption path of 2.5 cm was used to study the absorption spectra at room temperature and pressure of 15 and 30 mbar. The pure D₂O vapor line half widths are in good agreement with the work [1].

The cell was completely filled with gel. It was found that the D₂¹⁶O line halfwidths in the gel slightly exceed those of pure vapor.

The self-broadening coefficients of the D₂¹⁶O lines were determined from the experiment and calculations of self-broadening coefficients of vibration-rotation lines of water molecules were performed using semi-empirical method. The calculated results well agree with experimental data.

Simultaneously spectrum of liquid phase of water was recorded in 4200-5500 cm⁻¹ region. It was found that cleaning the gel by dry nitrogen leads to increasing hydrophilic properties of the material.

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