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Type Material: $[(C_{16}H_{38}N_2)_{5.5} (OH^-)_{11} (H_2O)_2][Si_{125.7}Ge_{50.3}O_{352}]$
(SDA = decamethonium)

Method: Y. Lorgouilloux, M. Dodin, E. Mugnaioli, C. Marichal, P. Caullet, N. Bats, U. Kolb, J.-L. Paillaud [1]

Batch Composition: 0.6 SiO₂ : 0.4 GeO₂ : 0.25 SDA(OH/Br)₂ : 10 H₂O

Source Materials

deionized water

decamethonium bromide (98%, Fluka)

resin Dowex[®] SBR LC NG, OH Form (Supelco)

amorphous germanium oxide GeO₂ (>99.99%, Aldrich)

silica (SiO₂, Degussa Aerosil 200)

Batch Preparation (for 1.08 g dry product)

(1) [10 g decamethonium bromide + water + 48 g Dowex[®]] in a polypropylene flask,^a stir overnight, remove Dowex[®] by filtration, gently rotoevaporate the water to concentrate the solution to about 0.5 mol/L^b

(2) [0.753 g Aerosil + 11.03 g solution (1)^c + 0.836 g germanium oxide] in a polypropylene beaker, evaporate under stirring until it reaches a total weight of 3.65 g

(3) [(2) + slowly 288 μL HF], stir manually with a non metallic spatula (ideally with a Teflon stirrer)^{d,e}

Crystallization

Vessel: Teflon-lined stainless steel autoclave

Temperature: 170° C

Time: 14 days

Agitation: no

Product Recovery

(1) Dilute reaction mixture with water

(2) Filter and wash with water

(3) Dry at ambient temperature or at 70°C

(4) Yield: 1.08 g

Product Characterization

XRD: UOV; competing phase: MFI when Si/Ge < 1

Elemental analysis: 2.5 SiO₂ : GeO₂^f

Crystal size and habit: rhombus shaped plate-like crystals with dimension 1 μm.

Reference

- [1] Y. Lorgouilloux, M. Dodin, E. Mugnaioli, C. Marichal, P. Caullet, N. Bats, U. Kolb, J.-L. Paillaud, *RSC Advances* 4 (2014) 19440

Notes

- a. The water volume is such that the height of the solution is twice the resin layer in the flask.
- b. The exchange rate ($\text{Br}^- \rightarrow \text{OH}^-$) is about 95 %, which is determined by acid-base titration and liquid proton NMR. If necessary, a second exchange may be achieved if the first exchange rate is too low.
- c. Here the concentration of the SDA solution is 0.453 mol/L.
- d. Thick dough.
- e. pH of the final mixture is 14.
- f. A higher Si/Ge molar ratio is also possible with TEOS in the same procedure but the yield is low.