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Type Material: (SDA)_{4.6}[Si₆₅Ge₁₁O₁₅₂] : w H₂O
(SDA = 6,10-dimethyl-5-azoniaspiro [4,5]decane hydroxide)

Method: J.-L. Paillaud, B. Harbuzaru, J. Patarin, N. Bats [1]

Batch Composition: 0.8 SiO₂ : 0.4 GeO₂ : 0.5 SDAOH/Br : 30 H₂O

Source Materials

deionized water
sodium hydroxide (98 %, NaOH)
1,4-dibromobutane (99 %)
2,6-dimethylpiperidine (98 %)
chloroform (99 %)
sodium sulfate anhydrous (99 %, Na₂SO₄)
diethyl ether (99 %)
Dowex® SBR LCNG, hydroxide form (Supelco)
germanium oxide (99.99 % GeO₂)
silica (Degussa Aerosil 200, or Cab-O-Sil M5)

Batch Preparation (for 4 g dry product)

- (1) [43.5 g water + 1.76 g sodium hydroxide + 9.47 g 1,4-dibromobutane], stir in a flask
- (2) [(1) + 5.0 g 2,6-dimethylpiperidine], add 2,6-dimethylpiperidine to (1) drop by drop over a period of 30 min under reflux; reflux for 12 h under vigorous stirring,^a cool in ice bath
- (3) [10.9 g water + 10.9 g sodium hydroxide], stir until dissolved, cool in ice bath
- (4) [(2) + (3)], stir, recover solid by filtration
- (5) [solid (4) + 200 ml chloroform], stir until dissolved
- (6) [(5) + 30 g sodium sulfate anhydrous], stir, left for 30 min, remove solid by filtration, evaporate about 100 ml of chloroform using rotavap
- (7) [(5) + 300 ml diethyl ether], mix, recover solid by filtration, wash with diethyl ether, dry at ambient temperature for 12 h
- (8) [solid (6)^b + 45 g water + 12 g Dowex®], stir for 2 h, remove Dowex® by filtration
- (9) [solution (7) + 3.49 g germanium oxide], stir until dissolved^c
- (10) [(8) + 4.00 g Cabosil], stir for 30 minutes^d

Crystallization

Vessel: Teflon-lined stainless steel autoclave
Temperature: 170 °C
Time: 6 days
Agitation: 60 rpm

Product Recovery

- (1) Dilute reaction mixture with water

- (2) Filter and wash with water
- (3) Dry at ambient temperature or at 90°C
- (4) Yield: 3.5 g

Product Characterization

XRD: UTL; competing phase: STF (when Si / Ge > 5)

Elemental analysis: 6.5 SiO₂ : GeO₂^e

Crystal size and habit: thin platelet-like crystals

Reference

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Notes

- a. The satisfactory mixing of two phases at > 1000 rpm.
- b. 95 % yield of SDA
- c. Clear solution
- d. pH of final gel is 8.0
- e. According to Ref. [2]