

Studies of energy interaction parameters of Pr (III) with hexafluoroacetylacetone and their complexes with Nitrogen donor Ligands

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ABSTRACT

Studies on the difference in energy interaction parameters and comparative absorption spectroscopy, involving 4f-4f transition spectra of praseodymium with hexafluoroacetylacetone [C₅H₂O₂F₆], and their complexes with pyridine [C₅H₅N], 2-acetylpyridine, 3-acetylpyridine and 4-acetylpyridine[C₇H₈NO]. The absorption spectrum were recorded in different solvents like methanol (CH₃OH), acetonitrile (CH₃CN) and dimethylformamide [(CH₃)₂NCOH]. The change in coordination sphere in various solvent medium is observed. The 4f-4f transition spectra yield sharp bands, which were analyzed individually by Gaussian curve analysis, the energy interaction parameters ($F_K E^K$), Lande spin orbit coupling (ζ_{4f}), nephelauxetic ratio (β), bonding parameter ($b^{1/2}$), percent covalency (δ), oscillator strength (P) were calculated and Judd Oflet intensity parameters of the 4f-4f transitions have been evaluated in order to investigate the formation and the type of bonding in lanthanide ligand complexes in methanol, acetonitrile and dimethylformamide. The energy interaction and Salter Condon parameters were computed on computer using partial multiple regression analysis method.

Keywords: Absorption spectra, hexafluoroacetylacetone, nephelauxetic ratio.

INTRODUCTION

The lanthanide complexes used as an anticancer material. The lanthanides are excellent markers for the diagnosis and prognosis of cancer in bones. Some complexes of lanthanide are used in radiological analysis MRI in human body system. The lanthanide polyamine carboxylate-chelate complexes are used as contrast enhancing agents for MRI.[1].The trivalent lanthanide praseodymium and neodymium can be utilized as absorption spectral probe to investigate the interaction of biomolecule like calcium in vitra. The use of lanthanides as absorption spectral probe in several biochemical reactions involving Ca⁺² and Mg⁺² has open up a new dimension for the fast developing field of optical spectroscopy[2].

Some researcher studied the complexes of o-phenanthroline, bipyridine and pyridine, they are concluded bipyridine is a weaker ligand than o-phenanthroline, pyridine has been found most effective in promoting 4f- 4f transitions intensity, and increase in oscillator strength in this solvents due to dynamic ligand polarization mechanism[3].

Misra et al [4, 5] studies the solid complexes of Pr(III) and Nd(III) from mononucleotide and mononucleosides, dissolved in organic solvents and their spectra were recorded. Their results suggest that these complexes, when dissolved in the solvents, retained their nonacoordinated stereochemistry possesses in their crystalline state. The silent changes in the oscillator strength of 4f-4f bands as well as the changes in magnitude of Judd Ofelt intensity parameters, has led to an upsurge in the quantitative analysis of spectral behavior of Pr(III) and Nd(III) in

crystalline as well as in solution state. This change depends on the nature of solvents mixture and varying affinities of ligands [6, 8].

The present study deals with comparative absorption spectral studies of Pr(III) with hexafluoroacetylacetone and their adducts with pyridine, 2-acetylpyridine, 3-acetylpyridine and 4-acetylpyridine. Their $4f-4f$ absorption spectra of Pr(III) have been interpreted in terms of various parameters namely Lande spin orbit coupling (ξ_{4f}), Salter-Condon (F_k), Racah (E^k), nephelauxetic ratio (β), bonding parameter ($b^{1/2}$), percent covalency (δ), oscillator strength were calculated and intensity parameters have been computed on computer using partial multiple regression analysis, which gives information about the nature of bonding between Pr(III) metal and hexafluoroacetylacetone and ternary nitrogen donor ligand complexes.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Pr(III) chloride heptahydrate of 99.9% purity from M/s Indian Rare Earths Ltd., hexafluoroacetylacetone of AR grade from Aldrich USA, nitrogen donor ligands viz., pyridine, 2-acetylpyridine, 3-acetylpyridine and 4-acetylpyridine were from Sisco Chemical Laboratory. The solvents used for recording the spectra CH_3OH , DMF and CH_3CN . They were of AR grade from S.d. Fine Chemicals. They are distilled before use. The elemental analysis was carried out on Carlo-Erba Strumentazione Strada Rivoltand 200 9D Rodono Italy, at CSMCRI Bhavnagar. Pr (III) contents were determined gravimetrically as Oxalate using 8-hydroxyquinoline. All the spectra were recorded on Perkin Elmer Lambda-2 UV-Visible spectrophotometer in the range 380-620nm, in the concentration of Pr(III) complexes in 0.01 Molar.

Synthesis of $[\text{Pr}(\text{HFAA})_3(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]$

Pr(III) chloride heptahydrate 3.734gm was dissolved in distilled water, the methanolic solution of hexafluoroacetylacetone 6.24 gm (4.25ml) was added very slowly with constant stirring on magnetic stirrer which resulted in isolation of yellow crystalline solid. After neutralizing the contents with ammonia the product was filtered, washed thoroughly with methanol and was recrystallized by methanol.

Synthesis of $[\text{Pr}(\text{HFAA})_3(\text{py})_2]$

The $[\text{Pr}(\text{hfaa})_3(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]$ of 4.15gm added into methanolic solution of 0.80 gm of pyridine and put it for constant stirring. Yield yellow precipitated the amount of precipitated increased tremendously on addition of ammonia solution drop wise. The yellow microcrystalline solid obtained was purified by recrystallization from methanol, the 2-acetylpyridine and 4-acetylpyridine complexes have also been synthesized by similar procedure. These adducts have been synthesized and characterized by elemental analysis and molecular weight determination, the elemental analysis and molecular weight determination carried out at CSMCRI, Bhavnagar. Molecular weight and Analytical data are shown in Table 1 and Table 2. Metal Pr(III) was estimated first by decomposing the chelate by concentrated nitric acid and evaporating it to dryness. The dried mass was extracted with dilute HCl and the metal was precipitated as Oxalate by using 8-hydroxy quinoline method.

The energy of $4f^n$ configuration consists of two major components, columbic and spin orbit interaction, between $4f$ electrons,

$$E = f^k . F_k + A_{so} . \xi_{4f}$$

Where f^k and A_{so} are angular part and F_k and ξ_{4f} are the radial parts of columbic and spin orbit interactions. (Only terms with $k = 2, 4, 6$ are significant for configurations with equivalent electrons). The Columbic and magnetic interaction between $4f^n$ electrons leads to energy level of $4f^n$ configuration and these interaction can be expressed in terms of the electronic repulsion parameters Salter-Condon (F_2, F_4, F_6), G. Racah [9, 10]. (E^1, E^2, E^3) and spin orbit interaction parameter, Lande spin orbit coupling (ξ_{4f}) as a first approximation. The energy E_j of the j^{th} level is given by the following equation,

$$E_j[F_k \xi_{4f}] = E_{oj}[F_k^0 \xi_{4f}] + \sum_{k=2,4,6} \left[\frac{\delta E_j}{\delta F_k} \right] \Delta F_k + \left[\frac{\delta E_j}{\delta \xi_{4f}} \right] \Delta \xi_{4f}$$

Where, E_{0j} is the zero order energy of the j^{th} level is given by Wong [11, 12]. The zero order energy values are E_{0j} , partial derivative $\left[\frac{\delta E_j}{\delta F_k}\right]$ and $\left[\frac{\delta E_j}{\delta \xi^{4f}}\right]$ for different levels were known. The nephelauxetic effects measures the change in F_k with respect to free ion and expressed by nephelauxetic ratio (β), which is defined as, $\beta = \frac{F_k^c}{F_k^f}$

Where, c and f referred to complex and free ion. The amount of mixing of 4f orbital and ligand orbital can be measured by the bonding parameter ($b^{1/2}$) which is given by [13-19],

$$b^{1/2} = \left[\frac{1-\beta}{2} \right]^{1/2}$$

S. P. Sinha [20, 21] introduced another parameter, percentage covalency parameter (δ) as, $\delta = \left[\frac{1-\beta}{\beta} \right] \times 100$

The experimental value of oscillator strength (P_{exp}) of absorption bands were calculated by performing Gaussian curve analysis using the following relationship,

$$P_{\text{exp}} = 4.6 \times 10^{-9} \epsilon_m(\bar{\nu}) d\bar{\nu}$$

Where, ϵ_m is the molar extinction coefficient corresponding to energy ($\bar{\nu}$).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The Fig. 1 shows comparative absorption spectra of Pr(III) complexes in dimethylformamide. There is marginal red shift observed in 4f-4f transition bands of $[\text{Pr}(\text{hfaa})_3(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]$ and blue shift observed in 2-acetylpyridine, the enhancement is more in case 4-acetylpyridine indicating that 4-acetylpyridine is a better ligand than 2-acetylpyridine and 3-acetylpyridine when recorded in dimethylformamide. The intensity order of Pr(III) complexes is ${}^3\text{H}_4 \rightarrow {}^3\text{P}_2 > {}^3\text{H}_4 \rightarrow {}^3\text{P}_1 > {}^3\text{H}_4 \rightarrow {}^3\text{P}_0 > {}^3\text{H}_4 \rightarrow {}^1\text{D}_2$ [22-27].

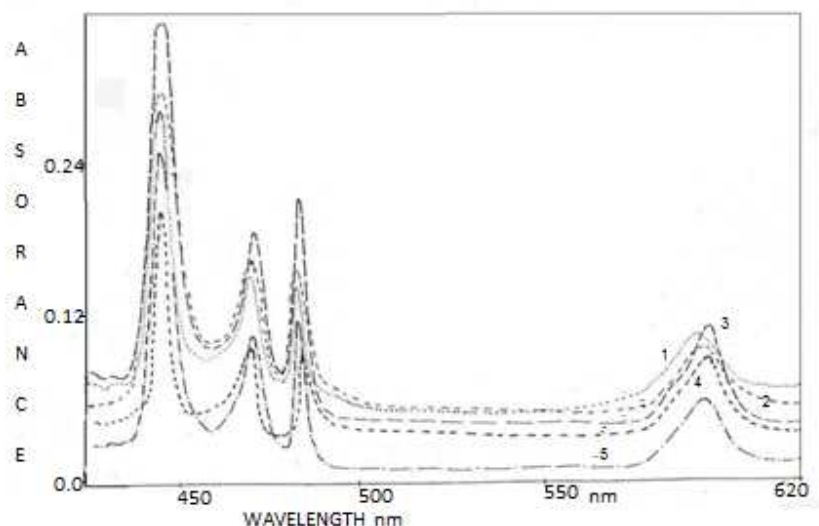


Fig.1 Comparative absorption spectra of 1) $[\text{Pr}(\text{hfaa})_3(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]$ 2) $[\text{Pr}(\text{hfaa})_3(\text{py})_2]$, 3) $[\text{Pr}(\text{hfaa})_3(4\text{apy})_2]$, 4) $[\text{Pr}(\text{hfaa})_3(2\text{apy})_2]$, and 5) $[\text{Pr}(\text{hfaa})_3(3\text{apy})_2]$, complexes in acetonitrile

Table 3 shows experimental and computed values of Pr(III) complexes in CH_3OH , DMF and CH_3CN solvents. The r.m.s. deviation σ are varies from 119.70 to 170.80 this shows the accuracy of the various energy interaction parameters.

Table 1: The observed and calculated values of molecular weight of Pr(III) complexes

Complexes	Cal. MW	Obs. MW
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (H ₂ O) ₂	829.40	828.20
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (py) ₂	921.76	922.45
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (2apy) ₂	1002.68	1001.89
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (3apy) ₂	1002.68	1001.98
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (4apy) ₂	1002.68	1101.15

Table 2: The observed and calculated values of analytical data Pr(III) complexes

Complexes	% metal		% Carbon		% Hydrogen		% Nitrogen	
	Obs	Cal	Obs	Cal	Obs	Cal	Obs	Cal
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (H ₂ O) ₂	16.46	16.20	20.08	21.71	1.08	1.21	-	-
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (py) ₂	14.53	14.98	30.91	30.16	2.58	2.60	2.92	2.90
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (2apy) ₂	14.17	14.32	34.85	34.38	2.36	2.37	2.86	2.82
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (3apy) ₂	14.19	14.32	34.88	34.38	2.37	2.37	2.87	2.82
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (4apy) ₂	14.15	14.32	34.61	34.38	2.37	2.37	2.84	2.82

Table 3: Observed and calculated energies (cm⁻¹) of Pr(III) complexes in CH₃OH, DMF and CH₃CN solvents

Complexes and Solvents	³ P ₂		³ P ₁		³ P ₀		¹ D ₂		σ r.m.s.
	Obs	Cal	Obs	Cal	Obs	Cal	Obs	Cal	
CH ₃ OH									
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (H ₂ O) ₂	22538	22386	21360	21233	20777	20774	16930	17118	128.28
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (py) ₂	22496	22391	21356	21249	20777	20745	16955	17129	126.47
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (2apy) ₂	22535	22376	21357	21125	20765	20765	16921	17010	119.20
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (3apy) ₂	22538	22379	21355	21126	20766	20766	16923	17014	117.80
Pr(hfaa) ₃ (4apy) ₂	22546	22385	21366	21135	20772	20763	16916	17087	120.29
DMF									
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (H ₂ O) ₂	22532	22382	21232	21351	20760	20756	16920	17110	133.28
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (py) ₂	22541	22380	21241	21368	20762	20758	16941	17121	138.62
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (2apy) ₂	22541	22365	21233	21312	20748	20745	16865	17122	154.42
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (3apy) ₂	22543	22367	21235	21314	20751	20746	16870	17124	153.89
Pr(hfaa) ₃ (4apy) ₂	22521	22361	21211	21325	20754	20736	16875	17137	145.37
CH ₃ CN									
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (H ₂ O) ₂	22421	22446	21243	21116	20689	20681	16827	17110	170.80
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (py) ₂	22533	22369	21339	21223	20758	20753	16933	17118	128.91
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (2apy) ₂	22511	22330	21328	21199	20733	20735	16902	17084	137.21
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (3apy) ₂	22514	22328	21330	21198	20740	20731	16905	17088	135.23
Pr(hfaa) ₃ (4apy) ₂	22515	22344	21339	21191	20745	20725	16912	17077	134.23

Table 4 shows energy interaction parameters Slater Condon (F_k), Lande spin orbit interaction (ξ_{4f}), nephelauxetic ratio (β), bonding parameters ($b^{1/2}$) and covalency parameter (δ) for Pr(III) complexes in CH₃OH, DMF and CH₃CN solvents. It shows that the values of nephelauxetic effect (β) in Pr(III) complexes were varies from 0.921 to 0.943 which is less than unity. The value of bonding parameters ($b^{1/2}$) were varies from 0.125 to 0.145 and which is positive indicate covalent bonding between Pr(III) and ligand.

S. N. Misra et al [28-32] observed decrease in the values of (F_k , E^k) and ξ_{4f} parameters as compared to corresponding parameters of aqueous ion. They also observed that Pr(III) complexes with β -diketones (bzac, hfaa, ttf, acac, dbm) and nitrogen donor ligand aniline, bromoaniline and chloroaniline. Their $^3H_4 \rightarrow ^3P_2$, $^3H_4 \rightarrow ^3P_1$, $^3H_4 \rightarrow ^3P_0$, $^3H_4 \rightarrow ^1D_2$ transitions are not hypersensitive in orthodox sense, yet these shows high degree of intensification and wide variation in the values of oscillator strength.

Table 5 shows experimental and computed values of Oscillator strength the (σ) r. m. s. deviation varies from 0.78 to 2.89.

Table 4: Computed values of energy interaction parameters Slater Condon (F_k), Lande spin orbit coupling (ξ_{4f}), nephelauxetic ratio (β), bonding parameters ($b^{1/2}$) and covalency parameter (δ) for Pr(III) complexes in CH₃OH, DMF and CH₃CN solvents.

Complexes and Solvent	F ₂	F ₄	F ₆	(ξ_{4f})	β	($b^{1/2}$)	(δ)
CH ₃ OH							
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (H ₂ O) ₂	311.63	42.98	4.70	672.75	0.923	0.131	3.621
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (py) ₂	311.56	43.12	4.74	675.34	0.928	0.133	3.534
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (2apy) ₂	311.71	43.11	4.78	670.61	0.921	0.127	3.336
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (3apy) ₂	311.68	43.08	4.76	670.71	0.922	0.126	3.335
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (4apy) ₂	311.76	42.94	4.84	671.71	0.931	0.132	3.443
DMF							
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (H ₂ O) ₂	311.70	43.01	4.70	652.68	0.924	0.128	3.359
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (py) ₂	311.71	43.32	4.71	662.54	0.929	0.129	3.366
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (2apy) ₂	311.81	43.13	4.73	571.39	0.921	0.133	3.536
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (3apy) ₂	311.77	43.12	4.71	571.41	0.922	0.131	3.541
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (4apy) ₂	311.91	43.11	4.71	631.41	0.922	0.129	3.468
CH ₃ CN							
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (H ₂ O) ₂	311.08	42.98	4.70	655.58	0.924	0.131	3.531
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (py) ₂	311.55	42.97	4.75	676.45	0.939	0.146	3.532
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (2apy) ₂	311.50	42.93	4.73	670.68	0.937	0.139	3.521
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (3apy) ₂	311.48	42.09	4.71	670.67	0.936	0.138	3.521
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (4apy) ₂	311.41	41.44	4.72	670.89	0.944	0.137	3.632

Table 5: Experimental and computed values of Oscillator strength ($P \times 10^6$) in CH₃OH, DMF, CH₃CN

Complexes and Solvents	³ P ₂		³ P ₁		³ P ₀		¹ D ₂		σ r.m.s.
	Obs	Cal	Obs	Cal	Obs	Cal	Obs	Cal	
CH ₃ OH									
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (H ₂ O) ₂	13.17	13.16	4.95	3.71	3.70	3.55	3.92	4.36	0.78
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (py) ₂	42.32	43.22	19.29	17.58	16.78	15.49	15.49	15.37	1.79
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (2apy) ₂	31.36	31.48	12.19	9.88	9.25	8.71	13.16	12.78	1.44
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (3apy) ₂	30.98	31.48	12.21	10.76	10.11	8.98	12.97	12.23	1.36
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (4apy) ₂	31.41	32.02	12.57	10.56	9.84	9.24	12.12	13.23	1.82
DMF									
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (H ₂ O) ₂	26.56	27.44	10.66	9.01	8.11	7.99	10.22	10.12	1.30
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (py) ₂	36.37	35.87	13.54	8.33	8.19	8.20	10.94	11.22	2.89
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (2apy) ₂	18.67	17.85	7.68	5.18	5.19	4.97	6.58	6.54	1.44
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (3apy) ₂	18.76	17.78	7.87	5.21	5.16	4.94	6.55	6.67	1.41
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (4apy) ₂	19.34	18.97	10.71	9.45	8.69	7.68	7.38	7.14	1.73
CH ₃ CN									
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (H ₂ O) ₂	10.98	11.44	4.55	3.51	3.22	3.56	3.57	3.88	0.78
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (py) ₂	34.68	34.85	11.11	8.99	7.85	7.87	11.24	10.79	1.88
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (2apy) ₂	32.30	31.51	9.83	6.83	6.76	6.78	9.68	9.46	1.53
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (3apy) ₂	31.96	31.60	9.75	6.75	6.80	6.81	9.56	9.50	1.51
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (4apy) ₂	31.82	30.98	11.12	8.99	7.18	7.69	11.58	10.57	1.95

Table 6 shows Judd Ofelt intensity parameters are derived from the observed oscillator strength and T_4/T_6 varies from 0.19 to 0.33 this shows the wide variation of oscillator strength of pseudo hypersensitive transitions. The variation of T_2 , T_4 , T_6 parameters clearly shows that, the high sensitivity towards coordination and position of the substituent as well as the nature of solvent

All these four transitions of Pr (III) $^3H_4 \rightarrow ^3P_2$, $^3H_4 \rightarrow ^3P_1$, $^3H_4 \rightarrow ^3P_0$ and $^3H_4 \rightarrow ^1D_2$ are showing substantial variation of oscillator strength which confirm the ligand mediated pseudohypersensitivity of these pseudohypersensitive transitions. These transitions also show variation in intensification and wavelength which is observed by observing values of energies at various transitions. We concluded that 4-acetyl pyridine is better ligand than 2-acetyl, 3-acetylpyridine because it shows more intensification, easily complex formation than other. D.G. Karrakar shows that the shape, energy and oscillator strength of hypersensitive and pseudohypersensitive transition can be correlated with coordination number of lanthanide metal ion [33-35].

Table 6 Judd Ofelt parameters ($\text{Tx}10^{10}$) for Pr(III) Complexes in different solvents

Complexes and Solvent	T ₂	T ₄	T ₆	T ₄ /T ₆
CH ₃ OH				
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (H ₂ O) ₂	141.60	11.18	41.39	0.27
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (py) ₂	640.32	28.89	139.80	0.25
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (2apy) ₂	861.23	25.81	97.36	0.28
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (3apy) ₂	866.34	26.11	97.21	0.27
Pr(hfaa) ₃ (4apy) ₂	777.34	26.38	121.47	0.22
DMF				
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (H ₂ O) ₂	510.60	24.44	83.56	0.29
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (py) ₂	622.73	45.66	131.56	0.38
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (2apy) ₂	199.68	23.56	109.87	0.23
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (3apy) ₂	201	24.60	110.45	0.22
Pr(hfaa) ₃ (4apy) ₂	220.34	21.99	115.41	0.18
CH ₃ CN				
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (H ₂ O) ₂	165.55	9.68	31.98	0.30
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (py) ₂	142.19	24.96	109.78	0.22
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (2apy) ₂	144.55	15.88	97.87	0.15
Pr (hfaa) ₃ (3apy) ₂	146.43	15.98	96.86	0.16
Pr(hfaa) ₃ (4apy) ₂	176.45	20.20	99.45	0.16

CONCLUSION

The results of this study reveals that the Pr(III) complexes with hexafluoroacetylacetone and their adducts with pyridine, 2-acetylpyridine, 3-acetylpyridine and 4-acetylpyridine complexes are octacoordinated, the six oxygen atom satisfying six coordination position and two positions are satisfies with nitrogen from pyridine, 2-acetylpyridine, 3-acetylpyridine and 4-acetylpyridine, creates high degree of intensification to $^3\text{H}_4 \rightarrow ^3\text{P}_2$ pseudo hypersensitive transitions, in different immediate coordination environment around Pr (III) as a results of different functional groups of β -diketone and ligands. It is quite apparent the stereochemistry possible for octacoordination and are interconvertible. The change in the stereochemistry could change the distance between lanthanide metal and ligands. Hence, this could change the extent of interactions between lanthanide and ligands. The interaction between metal and ligands induced substantial changes in the intensities of $4f-4f$ transition bands and their perturbation was reflected through oscillator strength and Judd Oflet intensity parameters.

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