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this compound is crystallized from solutions in acethophenone as a host-guest complex with a ratio 2:3. In the crystal structure DEDA molecules form infinite chains in a direction [01-1] through a pair of centrosymmetric hydrogen bonds. The acethophenone molecules are situated inside different channels formed at stacking of these chains and running along [100] and [0-11] directions.

At decreasing of crystallization temperature until 5°C from the same solution DEDA crystallizes as new complex - hydrate with 1:3 host-guest ratio. In the crystal structure one carboxylic group of DEDA molecules is connected via centrosymmetric H-bonding with the carboxylic group of the other host molecule, while other carboxylic group is deprotonated giving rise to a network of intermolecular H-bonds associating with one ion of hydroxonium (H_3O^+) and two molecules of water. The structure may be described as intercalate type complex with strict separation of the hydrophobic and hydrophilic areas.

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Different Building Modes of α -Cyclodextrin/Monoalkyl Amphiphile Complexes

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In this study, the impact of the length of the guest molecule alkyl chain and the crystallization conditions on the structural parameters of α -cyclodextrin (α -CD)/monoalkyl complexes was determined. Several procedures to crystallize those complexes were developed for different alkylalcohols as model guest molecules, as a function of temperature. Three different crystalline structures were identified depending on the alkyl chain length, using synchrotron X-ray diffraction (LURE, Orsay, France). In all cases, complexes crystallize in channel-type structures, where α-CD molecules are stacked like coins in a roll and the alkyl chain of the guest compound is embedded in the tubular cavity of the α-CDs. However, depending on the length of the chains and the crystallization conditions, the channels are organized differently. C₆-C₈ chains give rise to a pseudo-hexagonal lattice, a packing mode already observed for polyiodide complexes [1]. C₁₀-C₁₂ chains crystallize in a triclinic pseudo-monoclinic C2 lattice, while longer chains up to C₁₈ form hexagonal crystals with R3 symmetry. These two novel crystal structures are described. Understanding these structures opens new routes to nanotube formation through amphiphile-driven crystallization of cyclodextrin templates.

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Inclusion Compounds of Isomeric Xanthenol Hosts with Aniline Ayesha Jacobs^a, Luigi R. Nassimbeni^a, Benjamin Taljaard^b, ^aFaculty of Applied Sciences, Cape Town Campus, Cape Peninsula University of Technology, Cape Town. ^bNelson Mandela Metropolitan University, South Campus, Port Elizabeth, South Africa. E-mail: jacobsa@cput.ac.za

Two isomeric xanthenol host compounds have been found to form inclusion compounds with aniline. These hosts are H1 = 9-(4-methoxyphenyl)-9H-xanthen-9-ol and H2 = 9-(3-methoxyphenyl)-9H-xanthen-9-ol. We have elucidated the structures of the inclusion compounds and determined their kinetics of desolvation. H1•½ aniline crystallises in the triclinic space group P $\overline{1}$ with the host in general positions and the aniline guest on a centre of symmetry. H2•aniline

was solved successfully in the monoclinic space group $P2_1/c$ with both the host and guest molecules in general positions. For $H1\bullet\frac{1}{2}$ aniline there is (Host)—OH $\bullet\bullet\bullet$ O—(Host) hydrogen bonding whereas in $H2\bullet$ aniline (Host)—OH $\bullet\bullet\bullet$ N—(Guest) hydrogen bonding occurs. We have correlated the structures with the thermal stabilities of the compounds.

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Structural Features of Some Schiff Base Disulfide Compounds

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Schiff bases bearing imine N and anionic S atoms constitute an important class of polydentate ligands and their metal complexes have previously been used as models for biological systems. The molecule and crystal structure of a new synthesized disulfide compound $[C_{30}H_{22}F_6N_2O_2S_2]$ has been undertaken with a view to obtaining accurate structural parameters of interest in disulfide compounds. Crystal data:M=620.62, Triclinic, a=7.639(2)Å, b=8.526(8)Å, c=23.349(5)Å, α =89.04(4)°, β =89.99(2)°, γ =63.41(4)°, V=1359.6(9)ų, Pī, R=0.0538, Rw=0.0944. The structure was solved by direct methods and refined by least squares on $F_{obs}^{\ 2}$ by using SHFI X-97

In the second phase of the study, structural results have been compared with the values found in our previous studies related at least four Schiff base disulfides [1-4]. The molecular conformation around central S-S bond has been affected by trifloromethyl groups in the molecule. High electronegativity in the CF₃ groups has been cause to conformational changes in the torsion angle of C-S-S-C [77.8(4)°]. Two strong intramolecular hydrogen bonds [O-H···N, O···N: 2.612(9) and 2.612(8)Å] have been observed and cause to increasing of the planarity in the main parts of the molecule.

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Structural Studies of Human Cathepsin B Inhibitors: Tellurooxetanes

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The inhibition of cathepsin B has been postulated to be directly responsible for the abrogation of the invasion process in several tumor cells lines [1], and, as it was shown that AS-101 [2], a Te^{IV} compound, was a cathepsin B inhibitor, compounds (1) and (2) were synthesized and studied.

In both compounds, if

intra and two intermolecular secondary bonds and the electron lone pair are considered, then the Te^{IV} is coordinated in a ψ -pentagonal bipyramidal fashion. The secondary interactions join the molecules in chains of centrosymmetric dimmers. These compounds, have higher second-order rate constants for the inactivation of cathepsin B, than that of AS-101. Moreover, the compound with a cyclohexane ring is 20-fold more active than (2) and 4-fold than (1), so that it can be