rotational barrier is much smaller than in case of the FA molecule. Interestingly, it was found that the configuration corresponding to the reported structure is not the most stable. The changes in total energy do not correlate with the values of R2 and/or R1 factors. The values of R2 vary within the interval of <3.57; 14.6>% for D\_FA models and <2.79; 14.54>% for D\_NMFA models. If we suppose that two configurations are distinguishable if R2 > 10%, only two models of D\_FA and three of D\_NMFA pass this test. Considering the values of total energies we can conclude that there is high probability that intercalates with NMFA will be disordered. Second, small differences in diffraction patterns would seriously hamper structure analysis of these types of dickite intercalates.

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Kaolinites belong to those minerals, which are known for not vielding single crystals suitable for structure analysis. Two main reasons are structural disorder and sizes of the crystals, which are, as a rule, too small for manipulation in a common laboratory. It is therefore not surprising that diffraction studies of organic intercalates of the minerals from the kaolinite group are done mostly using X-ray powder techniques. Unfortunately, due to disorder and low symmetry of the structures resulting atomic parameters frequently lack desired accuracy. For instance, Si-O bond distances in structures of DMSO/DMSeO - kaolinite intercalates [1] vary from 1.48Å to 1.78Å (DMSO) and 1.59-1.83 Å (DMSeO), the expected value being 1.61Å. Moreover, the lists of atoms typically do not include hydrogen atoms, or their positions are only estimated assuming idealized geometries. However, when trying, for example, calculate vibrational spectra using reported atomic coordinates, much higher accuracy is required. Inasmuch as it not for well-known reasons [2] possible by using only powder data, a computational approach provides useful alternative. In this study the atomic coordinates published in [1] were used as starting values in structure refinement done by energy minimization in solid state using DFT method as implemented in VASP code [3] with the aim to obtain accurate geometry of hydrogen bonds. Starting positions of hydrogen atoms were estimated from idealized geometries of Al-O-H or methyl groups, respectively. The cell parameters retained their values obtained from powder data, the refinement was done in the P1 space group. Analysis of refined structural parameters showed, that accuracy of calculated bond distances approaches that of standard single crystal refinements. Analysis of hydrogen bonds geometry revealed, that in both structures molecules of intercalates are fixed to octahedral layer by moderate O-H...O-S(Se) hydrogen bonds with O...O contact distance of 2.78-2.93Å and O-H...O bond angle 175-179°. Keying of intercalates to adjacent net of basal oxygen atoms is accomplished through weak C-H...O bonds with C...O distances ~3.3 Å. Refined O-H and C-H distances are within the intervals 0.97-0.99 Å and 1.08-1.10 Å, respectively. It is demonstrated that structure refinement by energy minimization provides i) more accurate geometrical parameters than powder refinement, ii) complete information on hydrogen bonds. However, such basic information like cell geometry is still to be better obtained by diffraction methods.

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structure faizievite, ideally The crystal of K<sub>2</sub>Na(Ca<sub>6</sub>Na)Ti<sub>4</sub>Li<sub>6</sub> (Si<sub>6</sub>O<sub>18</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(Si<sub>12</sub>O<sub>30</sub>)F<sub>2</sub>, a 9.8156(9), b 9.8249(9), c 17.309(2)Å,  $\alpha$  99.209(2),  $\beta$  94.670(2),  $\gamma$ 119.839(1)°, V 1403.7(4)Å<sup>3</sup>, sp. gr. P 1, Z 1, D<sub>cale</sub> 2.846 g/cm<sup>3</sup>, has been refined to  $R_1 = 7.5\%$  for 5044 unique ( $F_0$  $> 4\sigma F$ ) reflections collected on a Bruker single-crystal P4 diffractometer with a CCD detector and MoKa Xradiation. Faizievite occurs in the moraine of the Dara-i-Pioz glacier, the Alai mountain ridge, Tien-Shan Mountains, northern Tajikistan. It forms rims around grains of baratovite and is associated with aegirine, fluorite, polylithionite, neptunite, hyalotekite, sokolovaite, pectolite, senkevichite, etc. The crystal structure of faizievite consists of four types of (001) sheets. Si tetrahedra form two types of six-membered rings: a single (Si<sub>6</sub>O<sub>18</sub>) ring, as in baratovite, and a double (Si<sub>12</sub>O<sub>30</sub>) ring, as in milarite-group minerals, in the ratio 2:1. Each type of ring forms a distinct sheet (Na atoms occur in a sheet of milarite rings). Two other sheets are: a sheet of cornersharing (LiO<sub>4</sub>) tetrahedra and (TiO<sub>6</sub>) octahedra with K atoms in large voids, and a sheet of edge-sharing M octahedra (M = Ca >> Na). Each sheet is characterized by a planar cell based on translation vectors,  $\mathbf{t_1}$  and  $\mathbf{t_2}$ , with  $t_1$ ~  $t_2 \sim 9.8 \Delta$  and  $\mathbf{t_1} \wedge \mathbf{t_2}$  close to 120°. We may write the composition of the four individual sheets within the planar cell  $t_1, t_2$ : (1) (Si<sub>6</sub>O<sub>18</sub>); (2) (Si<sub>12</sub>O<sub>30</sub>)Na; (3) KLi<sub>3</sub>Ti<sub>2</sub>; (4) (Ca<sub>6</sub>Na)F<sub>2</sub>. The crystal structure of faizievite is a hybrid of structures of baratovite. ideally the KLi<sub>3</sub>Ca<sub>7</sub>Ti<sub>2</sub>(Si<sub>6</sub>O<sub>18</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(OH)<sub>2</sub> [1], and berezanskite, ideally KLi<sub>3</sub> Ti<sub>2</sub> (Si<sub>12</sub>O<sub>30</sub>) (milarite group) [2]. The baratovite block of composition  $[K_2(Ca_6Na)Li_6Ti_4(Si_6O_{18})_2F_2]$ involves the sequence of sheets: (3)(1)(4)(1)(3). The berezanskite block of composition [KNaLi3Ti2(Si12O30)] involves the sequence of sheets: (3)(2)(3). In the faizievite structure, baratovite and berezanskite blocks alternate along [001] sharing a common sheet (3) of composition KLi<sub>3</sub>Ti<sub>2</sub>. We write the ideal formula of faizievite as an intercalation of baratovite and berezanskite blocks, and count only once any sheet common to two blocks: (3)(1)(4)(1)(3) +(3)(2)(3)(3) \_  $[K_2(Ca_6Na)Li_6Ti_4(Si_6O_{18})_2F_2] + [KNaLi_3Ti_2(Si_{12}O_{30})] K_2Na(Ca_6Na)Li_6Ti_4(Si_6O_{18})_2(Si_{12}O_{30})F_2.$  $[KLi_3Ti_2] =$ 

There are minor differences between the chemical compositions of baratovite and berezanskite and their blocks in the crystal structure of faizievite. Baratovite,  $KLi_3Ca_7Ti_2(Si_6O_{18})_2(OH)_2$ , and the baratovite block in faizievite,  $K_2(Ca_6Na)Li_6Ti_4(Si_6O_{18})_2F_2$ , are related by the substitution:  ${}^{VI}Ca^{2+} + (OH)^-_2 \leftrightarrow {}^{VI}Na^+ + F^-_2$ . Berezanskite,  $K^{IX} \Box L_3Ti_2(Si_12O_{30})$ , and the berezanskite block in faizievite,  $KNaLi_3Ti_2(Si_12O_{30})$ , are related by the substitution:  ${}^{IX} \Box \leftrightarrow {}^{IX}Na^+$ . Therefore assembley of faizievite from baratovite and berezanskite components is accompanied by the following substitution:  ${}^{VIC}a^{2+} + (OH)^- \leftrightarrow {}^{VIN}Na^+ + F^-$ 

 $^{VI}Ca^{2^+} + {}^{IX}\Box + (OH)^{-}_{2} \leftrightarrow {}^{VI}Na^+ + {}^{IX}Na^+ + F^{-}_{2}.$ 

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**Crystal structures of new pyrovanadates A<sub>2</sub>MnV<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> (A = K, Rb) <u>Hamdi Ben Yahia</u>, Etienne Gaudin, Jacques Darriet,** *Institut de Chimie de la Matière Condensée de Bordeaux, Université Bordeaux 1, 87 Avenue du Docteur Schweitzer, 33608 Pessac Cedex, France.* **E-mail: benyahia@icmcb-bordeaux.cnrs.fr** 

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The compounds  $A_2MnV_2O_7$  (A = K, Rb) with structures related to the melilite-type [1] have been synthesised. The crystal structures of K2MnV2O7, KRbMnV2O7 and  $Rb_2MnV_2O_7$  were determined using single crystal samples. The compound K<sub>2</sub>MnV<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> has tetragonal unit cell parameters a = 8.6091 Å, c = 5.5375 Å and crystalize with  $P-42_1m$  space group, Z = 2 whereas  $Rb_2MnV_2O_7$  and KRbMnV<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> crystalise in  $P4_2/mnm$  space group, Z = 4with unit cell parameters a = 8.5304 Å, c = 11.4659 Å and a = 8.5766 Å, c = 11.8094 Å respectively. The structures contain layers build up by  $MnO_4$  tetrahedra and  $V_2O_7$ pyrovanadate units. The linkage of tetrahedra forms fivemembered rings which form sheets parallel to (001). The eight coordinated A alkali cations are positioned between the sheets and form distorted square antiprisms in K<sub>2</sub>MnV<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> and distorted square prisms in Rb<sub>2</sub>MnV<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> and RbKMnV<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>.

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## Analysis of structural ordering of mineral solids from

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We solved a problem of studying of supermolecular structures ordering of natural X-ray amorphous substances. We was shown earlier that the most part of these substances have nanodispersed structure [1]. The most effective method of studying of nanostructurized substances is direct observation of their structure by microscopy. In case of a nonregular arrangement of structural units there is a question on a degree of their ordering. The statistical methods are necessary for studying ordering, allowing to determine local structural characteristics of system. In this work the modernized method *of n-symmetric points* [1, 2] was used. This method based on statistical approximation of dependences of spatial distribution of points (particles), enabled to determine a randomness of points arrangement. At their regularity distribution this method enables to receive the appropriate statistical appraisal, for example, to measure of scale of particles aggregation (on two, on three etc).

We carry out research of supermolecular structures ordering of natural X-ray amorphous substances by SEM and AFM. Among the investigated substances only two have revealed the disorder supermolecular constitution. In the others tendencies to aggregation from two to seven particles in aggregate were found [2].

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## MS41 P25

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Poorly crystalline and amorphous materials occur in a wide range of geological environments. They include aluminosilicate glasses and opals in rocks, highly disordered Fe hydroxides and oxy-hydroxides in soils, and carbons such as soot in the atmosphere or shungite in the lithosphere.

A knowledge of the structure of poorly crystalline materials is useful for deducing formation/precipitation conditions and helps in understanding their physicochemical behaviour such as adsorption properties, stability and reactivity.

Amorphous structures lack long-range order but can be described by the nearest neighbour interatomic distances. Since a Fourier transformation of diffraction data gives the frequency distribution of interatomic distances, information on the local structure can be inferred from diffraction data. Electron diffraction (ED) has some advantages over X-ray and neutron beam methods in structural studies. The high spatial selectivity of ED allows one to discriminate between the scattering contributions of the individual components of a heterogeneous material. The strong scattering power of electrons makes a short exposure time possible and results in good statistics in the signal. Light elements (such as carbon or oxygen) are also well measurable.

We used electron diffraction measurements to investigate the local structure of volcanic glasses (obsidian and pumice) and atmospheric soot. In the case of volcanic glasses amorphous, partly ordered, and nanocrystalline regions were distinguished and analysed separately. The deconvoluted atomic distances obtained from experimental diffraction patterns through total pairdistribution functions are consistent with distances for ideal SiO<sub>4</sub> tetrahedra. Partly ordered structures in pumices