# MS34-P14 3-pyrroline hydrates: *in situ* crystallization and structural investigations

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3-pyrroline (2,5-dihydropyrrole,  $C_4H_7N$ ) is a cyclic amine, liquid at ambient conditions. Using the *in situ* crystallization technique [1] assisted by IR laser focused radiation we obtained two hydrates of 3-pyrroline (threeand hexahydrate) presented in the figure bellow. The trihydrate crystallizes in P2 /c space group (V=690 Å<sup>3</sup>) with H<sub>2</sub>O molecules forming layers. The amine molecules are attached to these layers via N...O hydrogen bonds. The hexahydrate belonging to P2 /m space group (V=538 Å<sup>3</sup>) contains 3D network of interacting water molecules. In the structure the amine molecules are incorporated to this network thus the hexahydrate is example of semiclathrate [2]. This structure is isostructural with hexahydrate of pyrrolidine [3] saturated analogue of 3pyrroline. Contrary to the pyrrolidine hexahydrate however, corresponding structure with 3-pyrroline does not undergo order-disorder phase transition. In all presented structures containing 3-pyrroline water molecules are disordered what manifests in alternative positions of hydrogen atoms similarly like in the hexagonal ice Ih crystal structure.

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## MS34-P15 Separation of alcohol isomers by Host-Guest Chemistry

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Host-Guest chemistry is a useful separation technique when the components of a targeted mixture have similar boiling points, rendering distillation inefficient.

We have chosen pairs of alcohols from a total of 14 isomers of propanol (2 isomers), butanol (4 isomers) and pentanol (8 isomers), which have close normal boiling points. Starting with equimolar mixtures of the selected pairs, we have exposed the guest mixtures to diol host compounds

(3,3'-bis(9-hydroxy-9-fluorenyl)-2,2'-binaphthyl and 9,9'-(Biphenyl-2,2'-diyl)difluoren-9-ol ).

The crystal structures of the inclusion compounds with the single alcohol isomer and that of the targeted mixture have been elucidated. The non-bonded interactions in the structures have been analysed with the programme Crystal Explorer and the thermal characteristics of all the crystalline compounds have been measured by thermal gravimetry (TG) and differential scanning calorimetry (DSC).

Selectivity curves and the effect of multiple hosts have been analysed in order to understand the effect of changes to the mother liquors from which the crystals were grown.

The analysis of the percentage of each guest which was entrapped, was obtained from the refined crystal structures and confirmed independently by NMR spectroscopy and gas-liquid chromatography.

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Figure 1. Packing diagrams of pyrroline tri- and hexahydrate

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