

Crystal lattice effect on the quenching of the intracluster magnetic interaction in [V₁₂B₁₈O₆₀H₆]¹⁰⁻ polyoxometalate

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In the present work, the synthesis and structural characterization of four new polyoxovanadoborate (BVO) frameworks based on the [V₁₂B₁₈O₆₀H₆]¹⁰⁻ polyanion are reported:

(NH₄)₈(1,3-diapH₂)[V₁₂B₁₈O₆₀H₆]¹⁰⁻·5H₂O (1), K₈(NH₄)₂[V₁₂B₁₈O₆₀H₆]¹⁰⁻·18H₂O (2), K₁₀[V₁₂B₁₈O₆₀H₆]¹⁰⁻·10H₂O (3) and K₈Cs₂[V₁₂B₁₈O₆₀H₆]¹⁰⁻·10H₂O (4). A global antiferromagnetic

behaviour is observed for these 10V^{IV}/2V^V mixed valence clusters. The magnetic data of 1, 2 and 3, which present different countercation environments, show that 1 is more coupled than 2 and 3.

DFT calculations show that the positive charges strongly influence the polarization mechanism of the spin density of the vanadyl groups and the extent of the magnetic orbitals, therefore

corroborating the experimental observation of the quenching effect of the magnetic coupling

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