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#### ABSTRACT

Reaction cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> with the strong Lewis yields of acid, SbF<sub>5</sub>,  $[cis-OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  which has been characterized by single crystal X-ray crystallography and low-temperature Raman spectroscopy. The structure of the salt consists of a closely associated ion-pair in which a fluorine atom from the anion coordinates to the cation rendering the osmium atom pseudo-octahedral. Reaction of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> with the fluoride ion sources [M][F] (M = Cs<sup>+</sup> and N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>) yielded the corresponding salts of the  $OsO_2F_5^-$  anion. The structure of this anion was studied by Raman spectroscopy and <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectroscopy which revealed that the geometry of the anion is a *cis*-dioxo monocapped trigonal prism. The anion represents a rare example of a d<sup>0</sup> seven-coordinate species. Attempts to obtain the crystal structure of this anion, however, proved unsuccessful. Dissolution of [M][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>] in CH<sub>3</sub>CN and subsequent crystal growth yielded crystals of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[M][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]. The structure represents the first examples of an isolated CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> anion, formed by a fluoride ion from *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> abstracting a proton from the CH<sub>3</sub>CN solvent to give cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> and HF. In a separate crystal growth, crystals of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> were grown by sublimation from an XeF<sub>6</sub> melt. Together with the structures of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[M][CH<sub>2</sub>CN], the cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> structure represent the first examples of non-disordered crystal structures of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>.

Dissolution of the fluorine bridged polymer fac- $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  in XeOF<sub>4</sub> at room temperature resulted in a new phase of OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>, namely the fluorine bridged dimer  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$ . The crystal structure of the dimer grown from XeOF<sub>4</sub> solvent contains two adducted XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecules which coordinate to the terminal fluorines of the dimer (one per osmium atom) to give a structural unit formulated as  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$ ·2XeOF<sub>4</sub>. Both osmium atoms are six-coordinate with a *fac*-trioxo arrangement. Further removal of XeOF<sub>4</sub> under dynamic vacuum yields only the dimer which was characterized by Raman spectroscopy and rearranges to the open chain polymeric structure of *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> when warmed to room temperature. When CH<sub>3</sub>CN is used as a solvent, the nitrogen atom adducts to  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  to form  $OsO_3F_2(NCCH_3)$ . In SO<sub>2</sub>CIF solution both the *fac*- and *mer*-isomers are observed by <sup>19</sup>F, <sup>15</sup>N, and <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy, while only the *fac*-isomer is present in the solid state.

Stoichiometric amounts of  $XeF_6$  and  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ react to form the  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>],  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ , and  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  salts. The series provides the first examples of noble-gas cations that are stabilized by metal oxide fluoride anions, and the first example of a  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> salt. The osmium atoms in all three salts are sixcoordinate with fac-trioxo arrangements. The anions and cations of each ion pair are highly associated through fluorine bridges from the anion to the cation rendering the coordination spheres of the xenon atoms in the  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] and  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  salts 9-coordinate, while for the  $[XeF_3][OsO_3F_3]$  salt it is 8-coordinate. The  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] salt is unique in that it provides the first example of a 9-coordinate Xe atom where all contacts originate within a single ion-pair.

The molecular addition compounds,  $XeOF_4 \cdot NgF_2$  (Ng = Kr or Xe), have been synthesized by dissolution of NgF<sub>2</sub> in XeOF<sub>4</sub> solution. The crystal structures of these addition compounds are similar, with the NgF<sub>2</sub> molecules coordinating to the open face of the square pyramidal XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule. The coordination spheres of the xenon atoms of the XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule in both structures are 9-coordinate. For XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> all of the contacts are to four symmetrically equivalent XeF<sub>2</sub> molecules, whereas for XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> contacts are to two symmetrically equivalent KrF<sub>2</sub> molecules, one crystallographically independent KrF<sub>2</sub> molecule, and one to an adjacent XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule. The XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> adduct provides the first example of a mixed noble gas adduct.

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## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

# General

SAE	Society of Automotive Engineers
ax	axial
eq	equatorial
aHF	anhydrous hydrogen fluoride
CCD	charge-coupled device
GUI	Graphical User Interface
FT	Fourier transform
FEP	perfluoroethylene/perfluoropropylene copolymer
IR	infrared
Kel-F	chlorotrifluoroethylene polymer
VSEPR	valence shell electron pair repulsion
av	average
o.d.	outer diameter
equiv	equivalents
ψ	dihedral angle

# Raman Spectroscopy

$\Delta v$	frequency
amu	atomic mass unit
u	atomic mass unit

$\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$	wavenumber
ν	stretching mode
δ	in-plane bend
$\delta_{umb}$	umbrella mode
$\rho_{\rm w}$	wagging mode
$ ho_r$	rocking mode
ρ <sub>t</sub>	twisting mode
o.o.p.	out-of-plane
i.p.	in-plane
S	symmetric
as	assymetric
n.o.	not observed
i.a.	in-active
sh	shoulder
br	broad

# Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy

NMR	nuclear magnetic resonance
ppm	parts per million
δ	chemical shift
Ι	nuclear spin quantum number
J	scalar coupling constant, in Hz

Hz	Hertz, or cycles per second
FID	free induction decay
SF	spectral frequency
SW	sweep width
TD	time domain
PW	pulse width
$\Delta v_{1/2}$	line width at half height
WF	width factor
t	triplet

# X-ray Crystallography

$a, b, c, \alpha, \beta, \gamma$	unit cell parameters
V	unit cell volume
λ	wavelength
Ζ	molecules per unit cell
V <sub>m</sub>	molecular volume ( $V/Z$ )
mol. wt.	molecular weight
ρ	density
μ	absorption coefficient
F	structure factor
$R_1$	conventional agreement index
W	overall weight parameter
$wR_2$	weighted agreement index

# **Computational and Thermochemical**

DFT	density functional theory
NPA	natural population analysis
NBO	natural bond orbital/natural bond order
$V_m$	Volume of a salt
Ι	ionicity of a salt
$\Delta H^{\rm o}$	standard enthalpy of reaction
$\Delta H_{\rm f}^{\rm o}$	standard enthalpy of formation
$\Delta H_{sub}{}^{o}$	enthalpy of sublimation
$\Delta H_{\mathrm{vap}}^{\mathrm{o}}$	enthalpy of vaporization
$\Delta H_{ m L}$	lattice enthalpy
S°	absolute standard entropy
$\Delta G^{\mathrm{o}}$	standard free energy of reaction

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## **CHAPTER 1**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

#### 1.1. Chemistry of the +8 Oxidation State

The +8 oxidation state is the highest attained formal oxidation state in the Periodic Table of the Elements. Only three elements exhibit this oxidation state, namely, osmium, ruthenium, and xenon. The stabilization of the plus eight oxidation state has only been achieved by using highly electronegative ligating atoms such as F, O, and N. The chemistry of Os(VIII), although limited, is the most developed among these three elements because of the high thermodynamic stability of the tetroxide,  $OsO_4$  ( $\Delta H_f^\circ = -390.8 \pm 5.9$  kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>), the synthetic precursor for all Os(VIII) compounds.<sup>1</sup> The perosmate anion,  $OsO_6^{4-}$  has been characterized as its  $Ag_{13}^{4+}$  salt and is the first homoleptic osmium(VIII) oxo-anion. This salt was synthesized by a solid state reaction of ground mixtures of silver and osmium at 300 °C under 15 MPa of O<sub>2</sub> pressure. The crystal structure consists of  $Ag_{13}^{4+}$  icosahedra and  $OsO_6^{4-}$  octahedra.<sup>2, 3</sup>

Ruthenium tetroxide  $(\Delta H_f^{\circ} = -239 \pm 5.9 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1})^4$  is considerably less stable than OsO<sub>4</sub>. If heated above 100 °C, RuO<sub>4</sub> decomposes explosively to RuO<sub>2</sub>. As a result, the chemistry of Ru(VIII) is not well developed and RuO<sub>4</sub> is, in fact, the only Ru(VIII) compound known.

Xenon tetroxide is a highly endothermic compound and decomposes explosively into its elements with the release of 642 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup> of energy at room temperature, however, XeO<sub>4</sub> will detonate at much lower temperatures.<sup>5</sup> As a result, the preparation of Xe(VIII)

compounds requiring XeO<sub>4</sub> as the starting material is even more limited. The perxenate anion,  $XeO_6^{4-}$  can be synthesized by hydrolysis of XeF<sub>6</sub> in alkaline solution (eq 1.1 and 1.2)<sup>6</sup> and has been characterized as its Na<sup>+ 6-9</sup> and K<sup>+ 10</sup> salts. Recently, XeO<sub>4</sub> has been

$$XeF_6 + 4[Na][OH] \xrightarrow{NaOH_{(aq)}} [Na][H][XeO_4] + 3[Na][HF_2]$$
(1.1)

$$2[Na][H][XeO_4] + 2NaOH \xrightarrow{NaOH_{(aq)}} [Na]_4[XeO_6] + Xe + O_2 + 2 H_2O \qquad (1.2)$$

stabilized in SO<sub>2</sub>ClF, BrF<sub>5</sub> and HF solvents and characterized by <sup>129</sup>Xe and <sup>17</sup>O NMR. The Lewis acid properties of XeO<sub>4</sub> have been demonstrated by the synthesis of XeO<sub>4</sub>·NCCH<sub>3</sub> and XeO<sub>4</sub>F<sub>2</sub><sup>2-</sup> and their subsequent characterization by Raman spectroscopy.

#### **1.2. Osmium(VIII) Chemistry**

#### 1.2.1. Neutral Osmium(VIII) Oxide Fluorides

Two neutral oxide fluorides of Os(VIII) are currently known,  $OsO_3F_2$  and *cis*- $OsO_2F_4$ .<sup>11</sup> In addition, there was a preliminary report of a third, yet unknown oxide fluoride,  $OsOF_6$ ,<sup>12</sup> which was later shown to be *cis*- $OsO_2F_4$  based on the Raman spectrum.<sup>13</sup>

Osmium(VIII) trioxide difluoride, formed by reaction of  $OsO_4$  with  $ClF_3$  (eq 1.3), is an orange solid at room temperature.<sup>11</sup> Vibrational spectroscopy on matrix-isolated samples

$$OsO_4 + ClF_3 \xrightarrow{ClF_3} OsO_3F_2 + Cl_2 + chlorine oxide fluorides?$$
 (1.3)

have established a trigonal bipyramidal geometry  $(D_{3h})$  for matrix isolated OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>,<sup>14, 15</sup> while the vibrational spectra of solid OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> have established a *fac*-trioxo fluorine bridged polymer.<sup>16-18</sup> Three distinct phases of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  have been identified by X-ray powder diffraction: a low-temperature (< 90 °C)  $\alpha$ -phase (monoclinic), a  $\beta$ -phase (orthorhombic) at

intermediate temperatures (90 – 130 °C), and a  $\gamma$ -phase (orthorhombic) at high temperatures (> 130 °C)<sup>19</sup> and the single-crystal structure of the low-temperature monoclinic phase (Figure 1.1) confirms the *fac*-trioxo arrangement, and the fluorine-bridged infinite chain structure.<sup>11</sup>

Osmium(VIII) dioxide tetrafluoride, formed by reaction of  $OsO_4$  with  $KrF_2$  in anhydrous HF at room temperature (eq 1.4), is a deep magenta-colored solid having a vapor

$$OsO_4 + 2KrF_2 \xrightarrow{HF} cis - OsO_2F_4 + 2Kr + O_2$$
(1.4)

pressure of ca. 1 Torr at room temperature.<sup>11, 13, 20</sup> The <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> in anhydrous HF shows an A<sub>2</sub>X<sub>2</sub> coupling pattern and, along with the vibrational spectrum, are consistent with the *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> isomer.<sup>11, 20</sup> The <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum provides a rare example of coupling to <sup>187</sup>Os ( ${}^{1}J({}^{19}F-{}^{187}Os) = 35.1$  Hz and 59.4 Hz). The <sup>187</sup>Os chemical shift (1431±10 ppm) was reported and the <sup>187</sup>Os spectrum was acquired by inverse correlation using <sup>19</sup>F as the observed nuclide.<sup>20</sup> The crystal structure of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> (Figure 1.2) has been reported but is severely disordered and/or twinned and does not provide accurate structural parameters or a definitive assignment of a *cis*- or *trans*-isomer because the positions of the oxygen atoms could not be unequivocally determined.<sup>11</sup> A prior gasphase electron-diffraction structure (Figure 1.3) had confirmed the *cis*-dioxo configuration in the gas phase, providing detailed structural parameters that were not available from the disordered crystal structure.<sup>20</sup>


Figure 1.1. The  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  chain in the X-ray crystal structure of  $OsO_3F_2$ .<sup>11</sup>



**Figure 1.2.** The *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> molecular unit in the disordered X-ray crystal structure of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>. The O,F label refers to the disordered oxygen/fluorine atom pair.<sup>11</sup>



**Figure 1.3.** The gas-phase electron diffraction structure of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>.<sup>20</sup>

## 1.2.2. Fluoride Ion Donor Properties of Osmium(VIII) Oxide Fluorides

Cations of Os(VIII) oxide fluorides can be formed by reaction of the parent neutral oxide fluoride with a strong fluoride ion acceptor PnF<sub>5</sub> (Pn = As, Sb). The only structurally characterized Os(VIII) oxide fluoride cations are OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sup>+ 21</sup> and  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+,22</sup>

The  $OsO_3F^+$  salt has also been structurally characterized as its  $PnF_6^-$  salts or as HF adducts of these salts and is formed by reaction of  $OsO_3F_2$  with  $PnF_5$  in HF solution (eq 1.5).<sup>21</sup> The cation is highly associated with the anion and/or solvent HF molecules in all

$$OsO_3F_2 + PnF_5 + nHF \xrightarrow{HF} [OsO_3F][PnF_6] \cdot nHF \quad (n = 0, 1, 2)$$
 (1.5)

these structures and retains its octahedral coordination and the *fac*-trioxo geometry (Figure 1.4). The  $[OsO_3F][Sb_3F_{16}]$  structure has also been determined and the  $OsO_3F^+$  cation is tetrahedral and does not interact with the large  $Sb_3F_{16}^-$  anion (Figure 1.5). Although not structurally characterized, there is Raman spectroscopic evidence for the  $\mu$ -F(OsO\_3F)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> cation.<sup>21</sup>

Reaction of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> with PnF<sub>5</sub> in HF solution yields the fluorine bridged dinuclear osmium cation  $\mu$ -F(cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (eq 1.6).<sup>22</sup> The  $\mu$ -F(cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> cation

$$2 cis-OsO_2F_4 + nPnF_5 \xrightarrow{HF} [\mu-F(cis-OsO_2F_3)_2][Pn_nF_{5n+1}] \quad (n = 1, 2)$$
(1.6)

has been characterized by single crystal X-ray diffraction and is fluorine bridged, with pseudo-octahedral *cis*-dioxo OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>-units (Figure 1.6). The OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> cation was formed by reaction of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> with SbF<sub>5</sub> in liquid SbF<sub>5</sub> but a salt was not isolated. The <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum consists of a doublet and triplet pattern consistent with a trigonal bipyramidal cation ( $C_{2\nu}$  symmetry) having two *cis*-oxygen atoms in the equatorial plane.<sup>22</sup>



Figure 1.4. The  $(FO_3Os-FSbF_5)_2$  dimer in the X-ray crystal structure of  $[OsO_3F][SbF_6]$ .<sup>21</sup>



**Figure 1.5.** The  $OsO_3F^+$  cation in the X-ray crystal structure of  $[OsO_3F][Sb_3F_{16}]$ .<sup>21</sup>



**Figure 1.6.** The  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> cation in the X-ray crystal structure of  $[\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>].<sup>22</sup>

## 1.2.3. Osmium(VIII) Oxide Fluoride Anions

The oxide fluoride anions of Os(VIII) compounds are limited to the OsO<sub>4</sub> $F^-$ , OsO<sub>4</sub> $F_2^{2-}$ , and OsO<sub>3</sub> $F_3^-$  anions which are formed by reaction of OsO<sub>4</sub> or (OsO<sub>3</sub> $F_2$ )<sub>∞</sub> with a fluoride ion source.

The  $OsO_4F^-$  anion is formed by reaction of  $[N(CH_3)_4][F]$  with  $OsO_4$  in  $CH_3CN$  solution (eq 1.7)<sup>23</sup> and has been characterized by vibrational spectroscopy, and single-

$$[N(CH_3)_4][F] + OsO_4 \xrightarrow{CH_3CN} [N(CH_3)_4][OsO_4F]$$
(1.7)

crystal X-ray diffraction (Figure 1.7). The structure is a distorted trigonal bipyramid in which the fluorine ligand occupies an apical position.<sup>23</sup> The  $OsO_4F_2^{2-}$  anion is formed by the reaction of a 2:1 molar ratio of [N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][F] with OsO<sub>4</sub> in CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution at -20 °C (eq 1.8)<sup>23</sup> and its Raman spectrum is consistent with a *cis*-difluoro geometry.<sup>23</sup> The most

$$2[N(CH_3)_4][F] + OsO_4 \xrightarrow{CH_3CN} [N(CH_3)_4]_2[OsO_4F_2]$$
(1.8)

recent characterization of the N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> salts of OsO<sub>4</sub>F<sup>-</sup> and OsO<sub>4</sub>F<sub>2</sub><sup>2-</sup> have shown that the previous studies claiming the formation of OsO<sub>4</sub>F<sub>2</sub><sup>2-</sup> by reaction of aqueous solutions of [Cs][F] or [Rb][F] with OsO<sub>4</sub> (eq 1.9)<sup>24</sup> were erroneous and actually yielded OsO<sub>4</sub>F<sup>-.23</sup>

$$OsO_4 + [M][F] \xrightarrow{H_2O,M}[F] [M]_2[OsO_4F_2] (M = Rb^+, Cs^+)$$
 (1.9)

The  $OsO_3F_3^-$  anion has been synthesized by reaction of NOF (eq 1.10) or  $[N(CH_3)_4][F]$  (eq 1.11) with  $OsO_3F_2$ ,<sup>23</sup> or by heating an alkali metal fluoride with  $OsO_3F_2$  (eq 1.12).<sup>24, 25</sup> Characterization by vibrational spectroscopy,<sup>23, 24</sup> EXAFS,<sup>26</sup> and single-

NOF + OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> 
$$\xrightarrow{120-150 \, ^{\circ}C}$$
 [NO][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] (1.10)

$$[N(CH_3)_4][F] + OsO_3F_2 \xrightarrow{HF} [N(CH_3)_4][OsO_3F_3]$$
(1.11)

$$[M][F] + OsO_3F_2 \xrightarrow{\text{NOF}} [M][OsO_3F_3] \quad (M = Cs, K, Rb)$$
(1.12)



Figure 1.7. The  $OsO_4F^-$  anion in the X-ray crystal structure and  $[N(CH_3)_4][OsO_4F]$ and its contacts with the  $N(CH_3)_4^+$  cations; hydrogen atoms are not shown.<sup>23</sup>



**Figure 1.8**. The fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> anion in the X-ray crystal structure of  $[N(CH_3)_4][fac$ -OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>].<sup>23</sup>

crystal X-ray diffraction (Figure 1.8)<sup>23</sup> confirmed a pseudo-octahedral, *fac*-trioxo geometry ( $C_{3\nu}$  symmetry).

Reaction of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> with [Cs][F] (eq 1.13),<sup>27</sup> FNO (eq 1.14), or [N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][F] in FNO solvent (eq 1.15)<sup>28</sup> has been proposed to yield the OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> anion, however, the

$$[Cs][F] + cis - OsO_2F_4 \xrightarrow{95 \, ^{\circ}C} [Cs][OsO_2F_5]$$
(1.13)

$$FNO + cis - OsO_2F_4 \xleftarrow{FNO} [NO][OsO_2F_5]$$
(1.14)

$$[N(CH_3)_4][F] + cis-OsO_2F_4 \xrightarrow{FNO} [N(CH_3)_4][OsO_2F_5]$$
(1.15)

structure of this anion is not well established. The <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra in FNO, HF, or CH<sub>3</sub>CN solvents suggest a *cis*-dioxo monocapped square antiprismatic geometry,<sup>28</sup> however, the Raman spectrum was not fully assigned.<sup>27</sup>

## 1.3. Osmium(VI) Oxide Fluoride Chemistry

Two Os(VI) oxide fluorides have been reported,  $OsOF_4$  and  $OsO_2F_2$ , however, the synthesis of  $OsO_2F_2$  has not been confirmed.<sup>29</sup> The precursor to Os(VI) oxide fluoride chemistry,  $OsF_6$ , is synthesized by the reaction of osmium with fluorine gas at high temperature (eq 1.16).<sup>30</sup> It has been fully characterized by vibrational spectroscopy,<sup>31, 32</sup>

$$Os + 3F_2 \xrightarrow{95 \, ^{\circ}C} OsF_6 \tag{1.16}$$

UV/visible spectrometry,<sup>33</sup> photoelectron spectroscopy,<sup>34</sup> X-ray powder diffraction,<sup>31</sup> and single-crystal X-ray diffraction (Figure 1.9).<sup>35</sup> The structure of  $OsF_6$  is octahedral ( $O_h$  symmetry).

Hydrolysis of  $OsF_6$  in HF solution (eq 1.17),<sup>36</sup> or reaction of  $OsF_6$  with boric oxide (eq 1.18)<sup>37</sup> yields osmium(VI) oxide tetrafluoride,  $OsOF_4$ . It is also possible to

$$OsF_6 + H_2O \xrightarrow{HF} OsOF_4 + 2HF$$
(1.17)

$$3O_{s}F_{6} + B_{2}O_{3} \xrightarrow{25 \, ^{\circ}C} > 3O_{s}OF_{4} + 2BF_{3}$$
 (1.18)

synthesize  $OsOF_4$  by reduction of  $OsOF_5$  on a hot tungsten filament or by static heating of Os, O and F,<sup>38</sup> or by reaction of  $OsF_6$  with  $OsO_4$ ,<sup>39</sup> however, all of these syntheses also produced  $OsOF_5$  or  $OsO_4$ . Osmium oxide tetrafluoride has been characterized by powder X-ray diffraction,<sup>36,40</sup> electron diffraction,<sup>39,40</sup> and single-crystal X-ray diffraction.<sup>38,41</sup> It was originally postulated that  $OsOF_4$  is tetrameric in the solid state,<sup>38</sup> but it was later shown to have two crystalline modifications, both of which are fluorine-bridged polymers (Figure 1.10).<sup>41</sup>

#### 1.4. The *trans*-Influence

The mutual influence of ligands in transition metal compounds has been extensively discussed in the literature.<sup>42</sup> A multiply-bonded ligand atom causes an elongation of the bond trans to that ligand based on the orbital interaction energy.<sup>43</sup> This *trans*-influence has been used to explain the exclusive preference for the *cis*- or *fac*configuration of d<sup>0</sup> transition metal dioxo-complexes (e.g., *cis*-MoO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>2</sub>·2THF (THF = tetrahydrofuran),<sup>44</sup> (*cis*-ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>∞</sub>,<sup>45</sup> *cis*-ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>-,45</sup>  $\mu$ -F(*cis*-ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-,45</sup> *cis*-Re<sub>3</sub>O<sub>6</sub>F<sub>10</sub><sup>-,45</sup> *cis*-TcO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>,<sup>46</sup> *cis*-TcO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>-,47</sup> *cis*-VO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>3--48</sup>) and trioxo-species (e.g., *fac*(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>∞</sub>,<sup>11</sup> *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-,23</sup> *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F·HF<sup>+,21</sup> *fac*-ReO<sub>3</sub>F,<sup>49</sup> *fac*-ReO<sub>3</sub>F(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>,<sup>45</sup> *fac*-WO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>3-50</sup>).



**Figure 1.9.** The X-ray crystal structure of  $OsF_{6}$ .<sup>35</sup>



**Figure 1.10.** The X-ray crystal structure of polymeric  $OsOF_4$  showing the packing along the axis of the helical chain.<sup>41</sup>

The preference for the *cis*-dioxo geometry is counter to the predicted VSEPR geometry but can be understood in terms of the spacial relationship of the strong  $\pi$ -donor oxygen atoms and d-orbital involvement where the fluorine ligands are unable to compete as effectively as oxygen for the  $d_{t_{2g}}$  orbitals of osmium.<sup>47</sup> The  $d_{xy}$ ,  $d_{xz}$ , and  $d_{yz}$  orbitals  $(d_{t_{2g}})$  are of the correct symmetry to  $\pi$ -bond with  $\pi$ -donor ligands that are cis to each other (Figure 1.11). For a *trans*-dioxo isomer, only two of these orbitals have the correct symmetry. In the *fac*-trioxo isomer, all three orbitals can interact with two  $p_{\pi}$  orbitals, while for the *mer*-trioxo isomer only one d orbital is of the correct symmetry to interact with three  $p_{\pi}$  orbitals of the three oxygen ligands.

A study of the topology of the electron density and its Laplacian for cis-CrO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> has rationalized that the *cis*-arrangement is a result of a nonspherical core caused by ligand distortion.<sup>51</sup> For a *cis*-isomer, there are four resulting charge concentrations, two of which are opposite the oxygen atoms, and two which are located along a plane bisecting the O–Cr–O bond angle so that the four concentrations have an approximate tetrahedral arrangement. By contrast, for a *trans*-isomer, there are eight charge concentrations with an overall cubic arrangement. The tetrahedral arrangement of charge concentrations is expected to be lower in energy when compared with a cubic arrangement (Figure 1.12) because the charge is dispersed, thus accounting for a preference for the *cis*-dioxo geometry. The preference for the *fac*- over the *mer*-trioxo geometry can likely be accounted for in terms of a similar charge concentration arrangement.



Figure 1.11. Diagram showing the overlap of the filled p orbitals of the oxygen ligands and the empty  $d_{t_{2g}}$  orbitals of a transition metal in pseudo-octahedral (a) *cis*-dioxo and (b) *trans*-dioxo complexes.<sup>28</sup>



**Figure 1.12.** Contour maps of the Laplacian,  $L = -\nabla^2 \rho(r)$ , for *cis*-CrO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> through the [O<sub>2</sub>CrF<sub>2</sub>]-plane, with a diagram showing the positions and relative sizes of the charge concentrations in the outer shell of the core of Cr.<sup>51</sup>

## 1.5. The Cyanomethyl Anion, CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup>

Acetonitrile is often used as a solvent for high oxidation state compounds because of its known resistance to oxidation.<sup>23, 52</sup> However, it has been shown to undergo H<sup>+</sup> abstraction by the strongly basic fluoride ion to form the  $HF_2^-$  and  $CH_2CN^-$  anions (eq 1.19). The  $CH_2CN^-$  anion reacts with  $CH_3CN$  to form the intense red-brown condensation product,  $H_2NC(CH_3)C(H)CN$  (eq 1.20).<sup>53</sup> The propensity for a fluoride ion to abstract a

$$2F^{-} + CH_3CN \longrightarrow HF_2^{-} + CH_2CN^{-}$$
(1.19)

$$CH_2CN^- + H^+ + CH_3CN \longrightarrow H_2NC(CH_3)C(H)CN$$
 (1.20)

proton from CH<sub>3</sub>CN makes it a less suitable solvent for anion formation at higher temperatures.<sup>54</sup> At lower temperatures (ca. -10 °C down to its freezing point), CH<sub>3</sub>CN has been widely used as a solvent to form high-valent, high-coordination number oxofluoro-anions by reaction of the neutral oxide fluoride with [N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][F].<sup>23</sup>

The CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> anion is a reactive intermediate in condensation reactions involving nitriles,<sup>55</sup> and is used in organic synthesis as a nucleophile (eq 1.21)<sup>56</sup> or as a ligand in organometallic chemistry to form compounds such as P(CH<sub>2</sub>CN)<sub>3</sub> (eq 1.22).<sup>57</sup> The CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> ligand is able to coordinate to metal centers through C, and adducts of this type

$$PhSeSePh + CH_2CN^{-} \longrightarrow PhSeCH_2CN + PhSe^{-} (Ph = C_6H_5)$$
(1.21)

$$PCl_3 + 3Bu_3SnCH_2CN \xrightarrow{CH_3CN} P(CH_2CN)_3 + 3Bu_3SnCl$$
(1.22)

$$(Bu = CH_3CH_2CH_2CH_2)$$

have been characterized by single-crystal X-ray diffraction (e.g.  $P(CH_2CN)_{3}$ ,<sup>57</sup> [(Ph<sub>3</sub>P)<sub>2</sub>N][Ir(CO)<sub>2</sub>(CH<sub>2</sub>CN)<sub>2</sub>],<sup>58</sup> and [Li(THF)][Zn<sub>3</sub>(CH<sub>2</sub>CN)<sub>3</sub>(LiBr)(NP(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>]<sup>59</sup>). Presently, there are no examples of crystal structures that contain well isolated CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup>

anions. The Na<sup>+ 55</sup> and Li<sup>+ 60</sup> salts of the  $CH_2CN^-$  anion have been characterized by both infrared and <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy.

## 1.6. Xenon(VI) Chemistry

## 1.6.1. Xenon Hexafluoride

The structure of XeF<sub>6</sub> has been extensively studied in both the solid and liquid states. In the solid state, there are six known crystallographic modifications of XeF<sub>6</sub><sup>61-63</sup> that are comprised of XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> and F<sup>-</sup> ions that associate to form fluorine-bridged tetramers or hexamers in the solid state.<sup>61, 62</sup> Xenon hexafluoride has a low melting point (49.5 °C).<sup>64</sup> In the liquid state, XeF<sub>6</sub> is intense yellow-green<sup>65</sup> and the Raman spectrum suggests that it exists as tetramers that are best described as a combination of XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> and F<sup>-</sup> ions.<sup>66</sup> Xenon hexafluoride is also highly soluble in anhydrous HF solution<sup>65</sup> and has been shown by <sup>19</sup>F and <sup>129</sup>Xe NMR studies to exist as a (XeF<sub>6</sub>)<sub>4</sub> tetramer<sup>67</sup> where all 24 fluorine atoms are fluxional and equally distributed over four chemically equivalent xenon atoms.<sup>68</sup>

Xenon hexafluoride is the strongest fluoride ion donor among the binary fluorides of xenon,<sup>69</sup> and forms  $XeF_5^+$  salts and  $Xe_2F_{11}^+$  salts (Table 1.1) with a variety of maingroup and metal fluorides. In all cases, the  $XeF_5^+$  and  $Xe_2F_{11}^+$  cations are extensively associated with their counter anions through fluorine bridge contacts and the xenon atoms are either eight- or nine-coordinate (Figure 1.13).

$XeF_5^+$ Salts		$Xe_2F_{11}^+$ salts		
Anion	Refs.	Anion	Refs.	
AgF <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>	70, 71			
$Al_2F_7^-$	72			
AsF <sub>6</sub> <sup>-</sup>	73-78	$AsF_6^-$	65	
AsF <sub>6</sub> <sup>-</sup> · <i>n</i> (XeF <sub>2</sub> ) <sup>b</sup>	79			
$AuF_6^-$	65	AuF <sub>6</sub> <sup>-</sup>	80, 81	
AuF <sub>4</sub>	71			
$BF_4^-$	65, 73, 77, 78			
BiF <sub>6</sub> <sup>-</sup>	82	$BiF_6^-$	82	
CrF <sub>5</sub> <sup>-</sup>	83	$\mathrm{CeF_6}^{2-}$	82	
$CoF_4^-$	84			
$\text{DyF}_3^{3-}$	85			
FeF <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>	84			
GaF <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>	72			
GeF5 <sup>-</sup>	86			
$\text{GeF}_6^{2-}$	87			
$\mathrm{HfF_6}^{2-}$	87			
$IrF_6^-$	82	$\mathrm{IrF_6}^-$	82	
$M_2F_9^{-c}$	85	$LnF_6^{-d}$	85	
MoF <sub>6</sub> <sup></sup>	82	$MoF_6^-$	82	
NbF <sub>6</sub> <sup>-</sup>	82	NbF <sub>6</sub> <sup>-</sup>	82	
NiF <sub>6</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	88	NiF <sub>6</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	89	
		$PF_6^-$	65, 74	
$Pb_4F_{17}^{-}$	90	$PbF_6^{2-}$	90	
$PdF_6^{2-}$	65, 91			
$Pr_4F_{17}^{-}$	85			
PtF <sub>6</sub> <sup>-</sup>	65, 92	$PtF_6^-$	82	
RuF <sub>6</sub> <sup>-</sup>	65, 93			
SbF <sub>6</sub> <sup>-</sup>	77, 94, 95	$SbF_6^-$	94	
$Sb_2F_{11}^{-}$	77			
$ScF_4^-$	82			
$Sn_4F_{17}^{-}$	90	${\rm SnF_6}^{2-}$	90, 96	
SO <sub>3</sub> F <sup>-</sup>	77, 97			
TaF <sub>6</sub> <sup>-</sup>	82	$TaF_6^-$	82	
UF <sub>6</sub> −	82	$\mathrm{UF_6}^-$	82	
		$VF_6^-$	98	
		YbF <sub>6</sub> <sup>3–</sup>	85	
$ZrF_5^-$	87			

## **Table 1.1.** Known $XeF_5^+$ and $Xe_2F_{11}^+$ Salts and Their References

<sup>*a*</sup> Anions in bold denote salts that have known crystal structures. <sup>*b*</sup>  $(n = \frac{1}{2}, 1, 2)$ . <sup>*c*</sup> (M = Ce, Tb). <sup>*d*</sup> (Ln = Er, Ho, Lu, Tm, Y, Yb).



**Figure 1.13.** The X-ray crystal structure (a)  $[XeF_5][AsF_6]^{76}$  and (b)  $[Xe_2F_{11}][NiF_6]$ .<sup>89</sup>

## 1.6.2. Xenon Oxide Tetrafluoride

The XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule has been structurally well characterized by <sup>19</sup>F NMR,<sup>99</sup> photoelectron,<sup>100</sup> Raman,<sup>101</sup> and gas-phase microwave spectroscopy,<sup>102-104</sup> and by singlecrystal X-ray diffraction.<sup>95</sup> Xenon oxide tetrafluoride has been shown to have a square pyramidal geometry based on a AX<sub>4</sub>YE VSEPR arrangement, with an axial oxygen atom, four co-planar fluorine atoms in equatorial positions, and an axial valence electron lone pair. The only crystal structure containing the XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule is  $[XeF_5][SbF_6]$ ·XeOF<sub>4</sub> (Figure 1.14).<sup>95</sup> The xenon atom of the XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule in this structure has a short Xe<sup>...</sup>F contact with a fluorine atom of the SbF<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup> anion but has no contacts with the XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> cation. The fluorine bridge interaction does not significantly distort the square-pyramidal geometry of the XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule nor does it result in significant elongation of the Sb–F bridge bond.

## 1.7. Molecular Adducts of Xenon and Krypton Difluoride

Xenon difluoride forms molecular adducts of the form  $xXeF_2 \cdot yMF_z$  (where x = 1-3; y = 1,2; z = 3-6; M = As, Au, B, Bi, Br, Cr, Hf, I, Ir, Mn, Mo, Nb, Os, P, Pd, Pt, Rh, Ru, Sb, Si, Sn, Ta, Ti, U, V, W, Xe, and Zr).<sup>82</sup> Xenon difluoride also acts as a weak ligand towards "naked" metal cations functioning as either a terminal or a bridging group by coordination through its fluorine ligands.

Terminal XeF<sub>2</sub> ligands interact through only one fluorine atom resulting in lengthening of the bridge bond and contraction of the terminal bond (e.g.,  $[Cd(XeF_2)_5][PF_6]_2$ ,<sup>105</sup> 2CrF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub>,<sup>83</sup> [Mg(XeF\_2)\_4)[AsF\_6]\_2 (Figure 1.15),<sup>106</sup> [Nd(XeF<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2.5</sub>][AsF<sub>6</sub>]<sub>3</sub>,<sup>107</sup> [XeF<sub>5</sub>][AsF<sub>6</sub>]·2XeF<sub>2</sub>,<sup>79</sup> and [XeF<sub>5</sub>][AsF<sub>6</sub>]·XeF<sub>2</sub><sup>79</sup>). In these cases, the fluoride ion is not completely transferred to the acceptor as in the case of strong fluoride ion acceptors such as SbF<sub>5</sub> and AsF<sub>5</sub> to give [XeF][SbF<sub>6</sub>],<sup>108</sup> [XeF][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>],<sup>109</sup> and [XeF][AsF<sub>6</sub>] salts.<sup>110</sup> Bridging XeF<sub>2</sub> ligands coordinate in two ways, symmetrically and asymmetrically. Structures containing symmetrically bridged XeF<sub>2</sub> resemble network structures where both Xe–F bond lengths are equivalent and symmetric (e.g. [Ag(XeF<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>][AsF<sub>6</sub>],<sup>111</sup> [Ba(XeF<sub>2</sub>)<sub>5</sub>][SbF<sub>6</sub>]<sub>2</sub> (Figure 1.16),<sup>112</sup> [Ba(XeF<sub>2</sub>)<sub>5</sub>][AsF<sub>6</sub>]<sub>2</sub>,<sup>113</sup> IF<sub>5</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> (Figure 1.17),<sup>114</sup> [M(XeF<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>][AsF<sub>6</sub>]<sub>2</sub> (M = Pb, Sr),<sup>115</sup> XeF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub>,<sup>116</sup> XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub>,<sup>75</sup> and 2([XeF<sub>5</sub>][AsF<sub>6</sub>])·XeF<sub>2</sub><sup>79</sup>). Asymmetrically bridged structures contain one short and one longer contact to XeF<sub>2</sub> and can occur in either network or molecular structures (e.g., [Ba(XeF<sub>2</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][PF<sub>6</sub>]<sub>2</sub>,<sup>117</sup> [BrOF<sub>2</sub>][AsF<sub>6</sub>]·XeF<sub>2</sub>,<sup>118</sup> [BrOF<sub>2</sub>][AsF<sub>6</sub>]·2KrF<sub>2</sub> (Figure 1.18a),<sup>118</sup> [Ca(XeF<sub>2</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][AsF<sub>6</sub>]<sub>2</sub>,<sup>119</sup> [Ca(XeF<sub>2</sub>)<sub>5</sub>][PF<sub>6</sub>]<sub>2</sub>,<sup>105</sup> [Mg(XeF<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>)[AsF<sub>6</sub>]<sub>2</sub>,<sup>106</sup> [Pb<sub>3</sub>(XeF<sub>2</sub>)<sub>11</sub>][PF<sub>6</sub>]<sub>6</sub>,<sup>120</sup> and [Sr<sub>3</sub>(XeF<sub>2</sub>)<sub>10</sub>][PF<sub>6</sub>]<sub>6</sub><sup>120</sup>).

Adducts of XeF<sub>2</sub> to transition metal oxide fluorides of the form MOF<sub>4</sub> (M = Mo and W) have been characterized by <sup>19</sup>F and <sup>129</sup>Xe NMR,<sup>121, 122</sup> and Raman spectroscopy.<sup>122, 123</sup> The metal fluorine bond in the M---F-Xe bridge has been shown to be non-labile at low temperature by <sup>19</sup>F and <sup>129</sup>Xe NMR studies and it has been found that there is isomerization between oxygen- and fluorine- bridged XeF groups on the NMR time scale for adducts of the form  $nWOF_4$ ·XeF<sub>2</sub> (n = 2,3).<sup>121</sup>

In contrast, there are relatively few examples of adducted  $KrF_2$  molecules. The majority of adducts are represented by those formed with the transition metal center of



**Figure 1.14.** The X-ray crystal structure of [XeF<sub>5</sub>][SbF<sub>6</sub>]·XeOF<sub>4</sub>.<sup>95</sup>



Figure 1.15. The coordination sphere of  $Mg^{2+}$  in the X-ray crystal structure of  $[Mg(XeF_2)_4][AsF_6]_2$ .<sup>106</sup>



**Figure 1.16** The packing in the structure of  $[Ba(XeF_2)_5][SbF_6]_2$  displaying the  $Ba(SbF_6)_2 \cdot XeF_2$  and  $XeF_2$  layers.<sup>112</sup>



Figure 1.17. The X-ray crystal structure of  $IF_5$ ·XeF<sub>2</sub> showing the basal to basal and apical to apical environment of  $IF_5$  and XeF<sub>2</sub> molecules.<sup>114</sup>





**Figure 1.18.** The X-ray crystal structures of (a)  $[BrOF_2][AsF_6] \cdot 2XeF_2^{118}$  and (b)  $[BrOF_2][AsF_6] \cdot 2KrF_2$ .<sup>124</sup>

MOF<sub>4</sub> (M = Cr,<sup>125</sup> Mo,<sup>123</sup> and W<sup>123</sup>), which have been characterized by low-temperature <sup>19</sup>F NMR and vibrational spectroscopy. The only crystal structures of KrF<sub>2</sub> adducts are  $[Kr_2F_3][SbF_6]_2 \cdot KrF_2$ ,<sup>126</sup> and the recently synthesized  $[BrOF_2][AsF_6] \cdot 2KrF_2$  (Figure 1.18b)<sup>124</sup> which both contain terminally bridged KrF<sub>2</sub> molecules. Presently, there are no examples of KrF<sub>2</sub> molecules that are bridged between two heavy atoms.

## **1.8.** Purpose and Scope of the Present Work

The purpose of this research is to extend the somewhat limited chemistry of osmium(VIII) oxide fluorides. This includes the extension of the fluoride ion donor and acceptor properties of the highest oxide fluoride of osmium(VIII), *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>, using the strong Lewis acid SbF<sub>5</sub> and fluoride ion donors such as  $[N(CH_3)_4][F]$ , [Cs][F], and FNO. While there have been a preliminary reports of both the OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> cation<sup>22</sup> and the OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> anion,<sup>28</sup> their full characterization have not realized. A goal of the present work is to arrive at definitive proof for the structures of these ions.

Another facet of the present work deals with the interaction of the polymeric osmium(VIII) oxide fluoride, *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>, with the xenon(VI) compounds, XeF<sub>6</sub> and XeOF<sub>4</sub>. Xenon hexafluoride is a known fluoride ion donor and will likely form a salt with OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>. Such a salt would be the first example of a XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> or Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup> cation stabilized by a transition metal oxide fluoride. Xenon oxide tetrafluoride is not as strong a fluoride ion donor as XeF<sub>6</sub>, but, square pyramidal XeOF<sub>4</sub> might coordinate to OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> through a fluorine bridge to the open face of the square pyramid. A compound with a Os–F---Xe linkage would provide the first example of an Os(VIII) oxide fluoride formally

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coordinated to a Xe(VI) compound. The interaction of Os(VIII) oxide fluorides with Xe(VI) fluorides and oxide fluorides should allow for new information on the structure and bonding of both Os(VIII) and Xe(VI) compounds including extending the coordination sphere of Xe beyond six, and new salts and phases of  $OsO_3F_2$ .

A final direction for this work involves the  $XeOF_4 \cdot XeF_2$  molecular addition compound which is known but has not been fully structurally characterized.<sup>75</sup> The complete structural characterization of  $XeOF_4 \cdot XeF_2$  should confirm the previously published structural model. A natural extension of the study of  $XeOF_4 \cdot XeF_2$  will be to investigate the interaction of the binary krypton fluoride,  $KrF_2$ , with  $XeOF_4$ . Formation of a  $XeOF_4 \cdot KrF_2$  molecular addition compound by analogy would provide the first example of a mixed noble gas adduct.

The compounds synthesized in this study will be structurally characterized by use of a combination of <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C, <sup>19</sup>F, and <sup>129</sup>Xe NMR spectroscopy, Raman spectroscopy as well as single-crystal X-ray diffraction and will be augmented by the use of quantum-chemical calculations.

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## **CHAPTER 2**

#### **EXPERIMENTAL SECTION**

#### 2.1. Standard Techniques

#### 2.1.1. Dry Box and Vacuum Line Techniques

The compounds used and prepared during the course of this work were highly moisture- and temperature-sensitive, and were handled under rigorously anhydrous conditions on glass and metal vacuum line systems or in an inert atmosphere (N<sub>2</sub> gas) dry box (Vacuum Atmospheres Model DLX, oxygen and moisture < 0.1 ppm) equipped with a glass cryowell for handling low-temperature samples inside the dry box. Preparative work inside the dry box requiring low temperatures was accomplished using a metal Dewar filled with 4.5 mm copper-plated spheres (air rifle BB's) that had previously been cooled to ca. -140 °C in the glass cryowell (-196 °C) of the dry box.

Preparative work involving volatile fluorides that attack glass (e.g, HF and XeOF<sub>4</sub>) was carried out on metal vacuum lines constructed primarily from 316 stainless steel and nickel and fitted with 316 stainless steel valves (Autoclave Engineers, Inc., Figure 2.1). Pressures were measured at ambient temperatures using MKS Model PDR-5B pressure transducers having wetted surfaces constructed of Inconel. The pressure transducer possessed a range of 0–1150 Torr, which was accurate to  $\pm 0.5$  Torr.

Reactions that did not involve transfer of materials that attack glass were carried out on Pyrex glass vacuum lines equipped with grease-free 6-mm J. Young PTFE/glass

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Figure 2.1. Schematic diagram of metal vacuum line system: (A) outlet to liquid nitrogen and charcoal (Norit) traps followed by a two-stage direct-drive rotary vacuum pump (Edwards, E2M8) – hard vacuum, (B) outlet to soda lime and liquid nitrogen traps followed by a two-stage direct-drive rotary vacuum pump (Edwards, E2M8) – rough vacuum, (C) dry nitrogen inlet, (D) fluorine inlet, (E) MKS Model PDR-5B pressure transducer (0 – 1000 Torr), (F) MKS Model PDR-5B pressure transducer (0 – 1000 Torr), (F) MKS Model PDR-5B pressure transducer (0 – 1500 Torr), (H) <sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub>-in. 316 stainless steel high pressure valve (Autoclave Engineers, 30BM6071), (I) 316 stainless steel cross, (J) 316 stainless steel T-piece, (K) 316 stainless steel L-piece, (L) nickel connectors, (M) <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. o.d., <sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>-in. i.d. nickel tube.



Figure 2.2. Glass vacuum line used for the manipulation of non-corrosive volatile materials; (A) main vacuum manifold, (B) dry N<sub>2</sub> inlet, (C) 15-mm greaseless J-Young valve with PTFE barrel, (D) 6-mm greaseless J-Young valve with PTFE barrel, (E) mercury manometer, (F) liquid N<sub>2</sub> cold trap, and (G) outlet to vacuum pump.

stopcocks outfitted with PTFE barrels (Figure 2.2). Pressures inside the glass manifold were monitored using a mercury manometer.

Vacuum on the glass vacuum lines (ca.  $10^{-3}$ – $10^{-4}$  Torr) was accomplished using Edwards two-stage internal vane E2M8 direct-drive vacuum pumps. Vacuum was maintained on the metal line using two E2M8 vacuum pumps; the first, a roughing pump, was used primarily for the removal of volatile fluoride and oxide fluoride compounds. The rough pump was used to pump reactive, volatile fluorine compounds through a fluoride/fluorine trap consisting of a stainless steel tube (ca. 60 cm, 15 cm dia.) packed with soda lime absorbent (Fisher Scientific, 4–8 mesh), followed by a final trapping procedure, utilizing a glass liquid nitrogen trap to remove CO<sub>2</sub> and water formed by reaction of fluoride materials with soda lime and other volatile materials that were unreactive towards soda lime. The second vacuum pump provided the high vacuum (ca.  $10^{-4}$  Torr) source for the manifold and was fitted with a glass liquid nitrogen trap.

## 2.1.2. Preparative Apparatus and Sample Vessels

All synthetic work was carried out in reactors constructed from lengths of <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. and 4-mm o.d. FEP tubing which were heat-sealed at one end and heat-flared (45° SAE) at the other. In general, the tubing was fashioned into either straight reactos, "beaded" reactors, or vessels equipped with sidearms. A typical "beaded" vessel was fashioned from a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. o.d. FEP reaction tube by blowing three consecutive, 8- to 9-mm diameter bubbles, having center-to-center distances of 10 to 20 mm, into heated portions of the tube commencing near the heat-sealed end of the vessel. The tubing was connected to Kel-F valves, encased in aluminum housings, using brass flare fittings. All vessels were

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then connected to a glass vacuum line using Cajon fittings and were rigorously dried by pumping (a minimum of 6 h) under dynamic vacuum. Vessels were then connected to the metal vacuum line using a PTFE Swagelok union and passivated with ca. 1000 Torr of  $F_2$ for ca. 12 h. Once passivated, vessels were evacuated under dynamic vacuum to remove all volatile impurities and back-filled with dry N<sub>2</sub> (ca. 1000 Torr) prior to use. Similarly, connections made to a metal vacuum line were dried under dynamic vacuum and passivated with  $F_2$  gas overnight. Connections made to a glass vacuum line were dried under dynamic vacuum overnight.

Nuclear magnetic resonance spectra were acquired using tubes prepared from 4-mm o.d. FEP tubing. One end of each tube was heat-sealed using the end of a heated thin-walled 5-mm o.d. glass NMR tube, while the other end was fused to ca. 5 cm of ¼-in. o.d. thick-walled tubing. The end was subsequently heat-flared (45° SAE) for connection to a Kel-F valve. Prior to acquisition of the NMR data, the sample tubes were heat-sealed under dynamic vacuum using a nichrome wire resistance furnace of appropriate diameter. Otherwise, NMR samples were prepared in 5-mm o.d. thin wall precision glass NMR tubes (Wilmad) fused to ¼-in. o.d. lengths of glass tubing which were in turn attached to 4-mm J. Young PTFE/glass stopcocks by use of ¼-in. stainless steel Cajon Ultratorr unions fitted with Viton O-rings. The NMR tubes were then vacuum-dried for 8–12 h before use.

Low-temperature Raman spectra of solids (ca. -160 °C) were recorded on samples prepared in both thin-walled <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. and 4-mm. FEP tubing, as well as 5-mm o.d. glass tubes fused to <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. o.d. lengths of glass tubing which were, in turn, attached to 4-mm J.

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Young PTFE/glass stopcocks by use of <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. stainless steel Cajon Ultratorr unions fitted with Viton O-rings.

All connections to vacuum lines were made using thick-walled ¼-in. FEP tubing in conjunction with either a ¼-in. PTFE Swagelok connector outfitted with PTFE compression fittings (ferrules) or ¼-in. stainless steel Cajon Ultra-Torr connectors outfitted with stainless steel compression fittings and Viton rubber O-rings.

## 2.2. Preparation and Purification of Starting Materials

## 2.2.1. Sources and Purification of N<sub>2</sub>, Ar, F<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>, Xe, Kr, <sup>18</sup>O<sub>2</sub>, Cl<sub>2</sub>, and NO

House nitrogen gas was generated by boiling off liquid nitrogen (Air Liquide) and was further dried through a freshly regenerated bed of type 4Å molecular sieves. High purity argon gas (VitalAire), also employed for the back pressuring of reaction vessels, was used without further purification. Technical grade fluorine gas (Air Products), H<sub>2</sub> (Air Liquide), Xe (Air Products, 99.995%), Kr (Air Products, 99.995%) and <sup>18</sup>O<sub>2</sub> (Enritech Enrichment Technologies, 98.14%) were used without further purification. Chlorine gas (Air Liquide) was dried by passing through concentrated sulfuric acid and condensed in a U-trap at -78 °C where it was stored ready for use. Nitrogen oxide, NO (Matheson, >99%) was purified by condensing commercial NO into a 30-mL nickel can at -196 °C, followed by warming to -120 °C using an ethanol slush, and condensing the NO gas into the reaction vessel at -196 °C.

# 2.2.2. Purification of Anhydrous HF, SO<sub>2</sub>ClF, CH<sub>3</sub>CN, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CHOH, (CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>O, and NH<sub>3</sub>

Anhydrous hydrogen fluoride, HF (Harshaw Chemical Co.), was purified by addition of ca. 5 atm of fluorine gas to a commercial HF sample contained in a nickel can for a period of ca. one month prior to use, converting residual water to HF and O<sub>2</sub>. After removal of O<sub>2</sub> and excess  $F_2$  by pumping at -196 °C, the HF was warmed to room temperature and then distilled into a previously dried and  $F_2$  passivated Kel-F storage vessel equipped with a Kel-F valve and stored at room temperature for future use. Transfer of HF was accomplished by vacuum distillation from the Kel-F storage vessel, on a metal vacuum line, through connections constructed from FEP, as shown in Figure 2.3.

Sulfuryl chloride fluoride (Allied Chemical Co., Baker and Adams Division, >90%, ca. 100 g crude material) was purified by fractional distillation through two FEP U-tube traps cooled to -78 and -90 °C, respectively, effectively removing the inert impurity SO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>2</sub>. The remaining SO<sub>2</sub>ClF was then condensed into an FEP U-tube containing ca. 80 g of SbF<sub>5</sub> at -78 °C and slowly warmed to room temperature with vigorous mixing to remove SO<sub>2</sub>, which is known to rapidly reduce xenon(II) and other oxidant species. The purified SO<sub>2</sub>ClF was then transferred to an FEP U-tube cooled to -78 °C and containing dry KF. Again, the mixture was slowly warmed to room temperature with vigorous mixing and allowed to stand with periodic mixing at room temperature for ca. 2 h to remove any residual HF. The sample was again cooled to -78 °C and condensed into a 1.25-in. o.d. FEP reaction vessel containing XeF<sub>2</sub> (1.7 g) and



Figure 2.3. Hydrogen fluoride distillation apparatus; (A) Kel-F storage vessel containing HF, (B) FEP reaction vessel fitted with a Kel-F valve, (C) Kel-F valve connected to vacuum manifold.

allowed to stand for 24 h to ensure all impurities with reducing properties had been fluorinated (e.g., residual SO<sub>2</sub> is fluorinated to form inert SO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>2</sub>). Finally, the liquid was distilled by dynamic pumping at -78 °C into a glass vessel, outfitted with a 6-mm J. Young all-glass stopcock, over a bed of dry KF. The purity of the sample was assessed by <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>17</sup>O, and <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectroscopy of a neat sample recorded at -80 °C, in which only small amounts of SO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>2</sub> (2.2%) were found. Transfers were performed using a glass vacuum line by vacuum distillation of SO<sub>2</sub>ClF through a submanifold comprised of a Y-shaped glass connector joined to the reaction vessel by means of <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. stainless steel cajon unions equipped with viton O-rings (Figure 2.4). The sample was stored at room temperature until used.

Acetonitrile (Caledon, HPLC Grade) was purified according to the literature method.<sup>127</sup> Transfers were performed using a glass vacuum line by vacuum distillation of CH<sub>3</sub>CN through a submanifold comprised of a Y-shaped glass connector joined to the reaction vessel by means of <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. stainless steel cajon unions equipped with viton O-rings (Figure 2.5).

Isopropanol (Fluka Chemika, 99.5%) was dried over molecular sieves (Type 4A, Caledon) in a dry glass bulb equipped with a 4-mm J. Young glass stopcock. The molecular sieves were dried under dynamic vacuum for 24 h at 250 °C prior to use as a drying agent.

Anhydrous diethyl ether (Et<sub>2</sub>O, Fischer) was further dried over sodium metal by the literature method.<sup>128</sup> Liquid ammonia, NH<sub>3</sub>, (Matheson) was dried over sodium metal and stored at -78 °C. All solvents were transferred by static vacuum distillation using a

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**Figure 2.4.** Apparatus used for the vacuum transfer of SO<sub>2</sub>ClF solvent; (A) 250-mL glass vessel equipped with a 4-mm J. Young all-glass stopcock, (B) bed of dry, powdered KF, (C) glass Y-connector, (D) 6-mm J. Young PTFE/glass valve, (E) FEP reaction vessel fitted with a Kel-F valve, (F) <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. stainless steel Cajon Ultratorr union.



Figure 2.5. Glass submanifold used for the static vacuum distillation of anhydrous organic solvents; (A) Pyrex solvent storage vessel, (B) glass Y-piece, (C) 6-mm J. Young PTFE/glass valve, (D) FEP reaction vessel equipped with a Kel-F valve, (E) ¼-in. stainless steel Cajon connector fitted with Viton O-rings.

glass vacuum line and a glass submanifold in a configuration similar to that depicted in Figure 2.5.

## 2.2.3. Os Metal, $OsO_4$ , $H_2O$ , and $Os^{18}O_4$

Osmium metal powder, Os, (Aldrich, 99.9%) was dried on a glass vacuum for 24 h and subsequently dried in the evacuated port of the dry box for a minimum of 60 min. Natrual abundance  $OsO_4$  (Aldrich, 99.8%) and  $H_2O$  (Caledon, HPLC grade) were used without further purification.

Oxygen-18 enriched osmium tetroxide,  $Os^{18}O_4$  was prepared by combustion of the metal powder as a modification of the method described by Brauer.<sup>129</sup> In a typical experiment, osmium metal powder (1.00 g, 5.26 mmol) was added to a 9-mm o.d. quartz reaction tube (Figure 2.6) through a 4-mm J. Young glass valve with a PTFE barrel. The reactor was placed in a horizontal position and the powdered metal was spread along the length of the quartz tube. Reduction of the osmium metal was achieved by heating the metal to redness with a natural gas-oxygen torch in the presence of successive aliquots of H<sub>2</sub> (ca. 850 torr) until water evolution ceased, followed by hot removal of H<sub>2</sub>O under vacuum. Additional aliquots of H<sub>2</sub> were added and heated to ensure that all H<sub>2</sub>O had been removed. The dry metal was then quantitatively converted to Os<sup>18</sup>O<sub>4</sub> by admitting aliquots of  ${}^{18}O_2$  gas to the reaction vessel and heating the metal to red heat with a natural gas-oxygen torch until combustion ceased. The  $Os^{18}O_4$  that formed condensed as a pale yellow solid in the cooler regions of the reactor. The reactor was allowed to cool to room temperature before a second aliquot of oxygen gas was admitted. The procedure was repeated until no osmium metal remained. After combustion was complete, the vessel was



**Figure 2.6.** Reactor used for the preparation of Os<sup>18</sup>O<sub>4</sub>; (A) 9-mm o.d. quartz tube, (B) graded joint, (C) 4-mm J. Young PTFE/glass valve.

evacuated and  $Os^{18}O_4$  was melted and poured under static vacuum into the 6-mm o.d. side arm by gently heating the reactor with a heat-gun. The side tube was removed inside a dry box and the metal was stored under N<sub>2</sub>.

## 2.2.4. Drying of [K][F], [Cs][F], and Preparation of [N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][F], and NOF

Finely ground [K][F] (J. T. Baker Chemical Co., 99%) was dried under dynamic vacuum at ca. 250 °C in a glass vessel for a minimum of 3 days. The solid was stored in the glass drying vessel in a dry box until used.

Cesium fluoride, [Cs][F] (Aldrich, 99.9%) was dried by fusion in a platinum crucible, followed by transfer of the molten liquid to the dry box port where it was immediately evacuated. Upon transferring to the dry nitrogen atmosphere of a dry box, the solidified sample was ground to a fine powder and stored in the dry box until used.

Tetramethylammonium fluoride, [N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][F], was prepared according to the literature method by titration of [N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][OH] with 47% aqueous HF to its equivalence point.<sup>53</sup> After drying the product under dynamic vacuum at 150 °C, the remaining traces of water were removed by repeatedly dissolving the salt in isopropanol and removing the water/isopropanol azeotrope under dynamic vacuum at room temperature and then at 150 °C.

Nitrosyl fluoride, NOF, was prepared by reaction of NO and  $F_2$  in a 30-mL nickel vessel. Pure NO gas was initially measured into a 2-L nickel vessel (ca. 833 Torr, 0.0905 mol) followed by condensing into a 30-mL reaction vessel at -196 °C. After transfer, the metal vacuum line was pumped to remove any residual NO. Fluorine gas was then condensed into an intermediate 30-mL measuring can at -196 °C. The can was then

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warmed to -183 °C using a liquid oxygen bath and F2, free of non-volatile contaminants (i.e., HF, CF<sub>4</sub>, OF<sub>2</sub>, and/or NF<sub>3</sub>), was allowed into the vacuum line manifold and attached 2-L nickel vessel. The purified F<sub>2</sub> (384 Torr, 0.0417 mol) was then condensed from the 2-L vessel into the reaction vessel cooled to -196 °C. The reaction vessel was then closed and allowed to warm slowly to room temperature. After ca. 1 h at room temperature, the vessel was again cooled to -196 °C and the residual F2 was removed under dynamic vacuum. The procedure was repeated a second time to give a combined yield of 8.63 g (0.1762 mol) of NOF. Small amounts of NO<sub>2</sub>F (2.2%) and NOF<sub>3</sub> (0.85%) were estimated by recording the <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of the liquid product at -80 °C. A fluorine-passivated submanifold, constructed from 316 stainless steel and nickel and dedicated to the transfer of NOF, was passivated with NOF prior to transfer of NOF to a reaction vessel. The success of the passivation was determined by a visual check of the color of the NOF condensed into an auxillary tube. If the solid NOF was colorless to very faint blue, consistent with the absence or a trace amount of N2O3, the NOF was deemed to be chemically pure and ready to use.

## 2.2.5. Preparation of ClF<sub>3</sub>

Chlorine trifluoride (ClF<sub>3</sub>) was prepared by direct fluorination of chlorine in a nickel vessel. Chlorine (0.114 mol) and fluorine (0.360 mol) gases were transferred into a 834 mL nickel vessel with a chlorine to fluorine ratio of 1:3.2. The mixture was heated to 250 °C for 19 h. The furnace was turned off and the mixture was allowed to cool over a period of 12 h to room temperature. The product was used directly from the reaction vessel after excess fluorine gas had been removed under vacuum at -196 °C.

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## 2.2.6. Preparation of XeF<sub>2</sub>, KrF<sub>2</sub>, XeF<sub>6</sub>, and XeOF<sub>4</sub>

Xenon difluoride was prepared according to the literature method<sup>130</sup> and stored in a Kel-F tube inside a dry box prior to use.

Krypton difluoride was prepared by use of a 316 stainless steel hot-wire reactor (Figure 2.7) equipped with a nickel filament, similar to that originally described by Bezmel'nitsyn et al.<sup>131</sup> and subsequently modified by Kinkead et al.<sup>132</sup> The filament was fabricated from a  $\frac{1}{16}$ -in nickel rod tightly wound about a second length of  $\frac{1}{16}$ -in rod that was, in turn, coiled and stretched into a helix. In a typical preparation, the hot-wire reactor was pressurized with 1000 Torr (50 mmol) of krypton and then cooled to -196 °C in a 20-L Dewar. After reaching thermal equilibrium, the reactor was pressurized with 25 Torr of F<sub>2</sub> and the DC power supply for the nickel filament was adjusted to ca. 6 V and 30 A (the filament was dull red in color under these conditions). The F<sub>2</sub> pressure increased to ca. 45 Torr after the power supply was turned on and was regulated between 25 and 45 Torr by the periodic addition of  $F_2$  during the synthesis. The declining  $F_2$  pressure was used to qualitatively monitor the production of KrF<sub>2</sub>, and additional Kr (1.0 to 2.0 mmol) was condensed into the reactor when the rate of  $KrF_2$  production slowed or ceased. Upon completion of the reaction (ca. 12 h), excess F<sub>2</sub> was removed under dynamic vacuum at -196 °C. The excess Kr and crude KrF2 were recovered as a pale pink solid (the coloration arises from chromium oxide fluoride contamination) by allowing the reactor to slowly warm to room temperature while dynamically pumping the volatile contents through a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-in o.d. FEP U-trap (-196 °C). The Kr/KrF<sub>2</sub> mixture was then warmed to



Figure 2.7. The stainless steel hot-wire reactor used for the preparation of KrF<sub>2</sub>. (a) External view and dimensions of a hot-wire reactor submerged in a liquid nitrogen coolant bath. (b) A perspective drawing of the hot-wire reactor showing the flange assembly and nickel filament (cut away region). Reproduced with permission from ref 28

-78 °C under dynamic vacuum to remove the unreacted Kr. The crude KrF<sub>2</sub> was purified by briefly warming the sample to 0 °C and flash distilling off the more volatile chromium oxide fluorides. The remaining colorless KrF<sub>2</sub> was finally warmed to room temperature and rapidly sublimed into a <sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub>-in o.d. FEP tube equipped with a Kel-F valve, where it was stored under 1000 Torr of N<sub>2</sub> or Ar at -78 °C until used. This synthesis is highly reproducible and typically yields 2.5 to 3.0 g of purified KrF<sub>2</sub> over a 12 h period.

Xenon hexafluoride (XeF<sub>6</sub>) was prepared by a method similar to that outlined by Chernick and Malm.<sup>133</sup> Xenon and F<sub>2</sub> were transferred into a nickel vessel with a xenon to fluorine ratio of 1:22 and a total autogeneous pressure of 56 atm at room temperature. The mixture was heated to 250 °C for 24 h and slowly cooled to 47 °C over a period of 16 h before turning off the furnace and allowing the mixture to cool to room temperature. Excess F<sub>2</sub> was removed by releasing the pressure at -78 °C into a 5L Monel storage vessel used to recover and recycle F<sub>2</sub>. Unreacted F<sub>2</sub> was removed from the nickel vessel under vacuum at -78 °C. The product was vacuum distilled into a ½-in. o.d. FEP storage vessel equipped with a Kel-F valve. The purity was assessed using Raman spectroscopy. Only trace amounts of XeF<sub>4</sub> were detected.

Xenon oxide tetrafluoride was synthesized by hydrolysis of  $XeF_6$  as previously described.<sup>134</sup>

# 2.2.7. Purification of SbF<sub>5</sub>

Antimony pentafluoride (Ozark Mahoning) was purified by vacuum distillation as previously described,<sup>135</sup> and stored in a glass vessel inside a desiccator until used. Subsequent transfers of SbF<sub>5</sub> were performed by use of a dry all-glass syringe in the inert atmosphere of a glove bag which had previously been purged with dry nitrogen for at least 12 h.

### 2.2.8. Potassium Bis(trimethylsilylamide) ([K][C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>18</sub>Si<sub>2</sub>N])

Potassium bis(trimethylsilylamide), [K][(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Si)<sub>2</sub>N] (Aldrich, 95%) was dried in the evacuated port of the dry box for a minimum of 60 min. and was exposed to the dry box atmosphere for at least two days prior to use.

# 2.2.9. OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> and *cis*-Os<sup>16/18</sup>O<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>

Osmium trioxide difluoride  $(OsO_3F_2)$  was prepared by reaction of  $OsO_4$  with excess  $ClF_3$  at room temperature according to the literature method.<sup>11</sup> Osmium dioxide tetrafluoride was synthesized either by reaction of  $OsO_4$  (Koch-Light, 99.6%) or previously synthesized  $Os^{18}O_4$  with  $KrF_2$  in aHF or by reaction of  $OsO_3F_2$  with excess  $KrF_2$  in HF solvent as previously described.<sup>20</sup> The purities of the compounds were checked by Raman spectroscopy to ensure completeness of the reactions.

### 2.2.10. OsF<sub>6</sub> and OsOF<sub>4</sub>

Osmium hexafluoride (OsF<sub>6</sub>) was prepared by the standard literature method<sup>30</sup> by direct fluorination of osmium with fluorine in a Monel vessel at 300 °C over a period of 4 h. Osmium oxide tetrafluoride (OsOF<sub>4</sub>) was prepared by two methods; (1) by slow warming of an HF solution of OsF<sub>6</sub>, (53.2 mg, 0.175 mmol) and H<sub>2</sub>O, (3.10 mg, 0.172 mmol) to room temperature in a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. o.d. FEP reactor as previously described;<sup>36</sup> and (2) by reaction of OsO<sub>4</sub> (203 mg, 0.799 mmol) with OsF<sub>6</sub> (0.967 g, 3.180 mmol) at 180 °C in an 80 mL nickel vessel as previously described.<sup>41</sup> The products of both reactions were recovered as green powders.

# 2.2.11. [K][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]

The cyanomethyl anion ([K][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]) was synthesized using a modification of the published synthesis of [Na][CH<sub>2</sub>CN].<sup>55</sup> The synthetic apparatus consisted of two cylindrical vessels, each outfitted with a grease-free 4-mm J. Young Teflon/glass stopcock joined by means of a 12.1 cm length of 7 mm o.d. Pyrex glass tubing outfitted with a grease-free 4-mm J. Young Teflon/glass stopcock so that both sides of the reactor could be isolated from one another (Figure 2.8). In a typical reaction, arm (B) of the H-shaped vessel was loaded with 1.048 g (5.252 mmol) of [K][((CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Si)<sub>2</sub>N] and a Teflon coated magnetic stirring, and arm (A) was loaded with 0.2142 g (5.212 mmol) of CH<sub>3</sub>CN. Approximately 1.3 mL of Et<sub>2</sub>O was distilled onto the CH<sub>3</sub>CN and approximately 15 mL of Et<sub>2</sub>O was distilled onto the [K][((CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Si)<sub>2</sub>N] which dissolved upon warming to -78 °C. The central stopcock was opened and the CH<sub>3</sub>CN/Et<sub>2</sub>O solution was slowly poured in small amounts onto the [K][((CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Si)<sub>2</sub>N]. White [K][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] precipitated from solution upon addition of the CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution to the Et<sub>2</sub>O solution of [K][((CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Si)<sub>2</sub>N]. The solid was not filtered as previously described,<sup>55</sup> but the supernatant was displaced through a Teflon cannula with dry argon gas and the precipitate was washed with 5 aliquots of 10 mL of dry Et<sub>2</sub>O. A Kel-F cap having two  $\frac{1}{16}$ -in. holes was used to cap arm "D" of the H-shaped vessel and was sealed by means of a Viton O-ring (See Figure 2.9). Prior to assembly, a  $\frac{1}{16}$ -in. o.d. Teflon tube was passed through one hole of the Kel-F cap which had a slow stream of argon slowly passing through it. The Teflon tube end was positioned in the glass arm of the H-tube. The air in the glass arm was first displaced with argon, then the J. Young valve was opened and the



Figure 2.8. Glass H-shaped reaction vessel used for the synthesis of [K][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]; (A) Pyrex glass reaction vessel (arm A), (B) Pyrex glass reaction vessel (arm B), (C) 4-mm J. Young Teflon/glass stopcock, (D) <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. glass tube for vacuum connection. Reproduced with permission from Ref 136



Figure 2.9. Apparatus used to transfer solutions under a flow of argon gas. (A) Kel-F cap equipped with a viton O-ring, (B) Source FEP reaction tube, (C) Target FEP tube, (D)  $^{1}/_{16}$ -in. o.d. Teflon tube used for transferring solutions. Reproduced with permission from Ref 137

nitrogen in the reaction vessel was displaced with argon. A second Teflon capillary tube was inserted through the outlet hole of the Kel-F cap while maintaining the argon flow. The capillary tube was pushed through the J. Young valve using the stopcock valve to guide the tube down into the reaction vessel. Lowering the outlet tube into the ether solution forced the clear supernatant though the Teflon cannula tube into a 250 mL round bottom flask. The capillary tube was removed from the reaction vessel and the J. Young valve was closed. This procedure was repeated three times after which the reactor and contents were pumped to dryness on a glass vacuum line. Raman samples were obtained by transferring the solid to a 5-mm o.d. glass tube equipped with a J. Young valve.

# 2.3. Fluoride Ion Donor Properties of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>

#### **2.3.1.** Synthesis of [OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>]

A fluorine-passivated <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. o.d. FEP reaction tube was loaded with 0.1055 g (0.3541 mmol) of deep burgundy colored *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> inside a nitrogen-filled dry box. The reaction tube was then transferred to a glove bag purged with dry N<sub>2</sub> and an excess of SbF<sub>5</sub>, 0.500 g (2.31 mmol), was syringed into the tube. Upon warming the reactor and contents to room temperature, *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> slowly dissolved giving a deep orange solution having a significantly lower viscosity than that of pure SbF<sub>5</sub>, which was indicative of Sb<sub>n</sub>F<sub>5n+1</sub><sup>-</sup> anion formation. The reaction vessel was pumped at 0 °C to remove excess SbF<sub>5</sub>. After pumping for 40 h, 0.2559 g (0.3498 mmol) of orange powder remained which was identified as  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  (98.8% yield) by Raman spectroscopy.

# 2.3.2. Attempted Syntheses of [OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>][SbF<sub>6</sub>]

Following a procedure similar to that outlined above, 0.0602 g (0.202 mmol) of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> was loaded into a reaction tube followed by the addition of 0.5056 g (2.333 mmol) of SbF<sub>5</sub>. After warming the reactor and contents to room temperature, *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> slowly dissolved in SbF<sub>5</sub>, giving a deep orange solution which had a significantly lower viscosity than pure SbF<sub>5</sub>. Excess SbF<sub>5</sub> was removed by pumping at 0 °C for 3 days, yielding an orange powder identified by Raman spectroscopy as  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$ . Further pumping on the sample followed by periodic weighing and characterization by Raman spectroscopy revealed loss of SbF<sub>5</sub> from the sample. After 6 days of pumping, an orange powder (0.1110 g) remained which was identified by Raman spectroscopy as  $[\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>] (0.1078 mmol; 107% yield).

In another attempt to isolate  $[OsO_2F_3][SbF_6]$ , 0.06635 g (0.2251 mmol) of *cis*-OsO\_2F<sub>4</sub> was transferred into a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. o.d. FEP reaction vessel equipped with a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. o.d. FEP sidearm fused at a right angle to the main tube and excess SbF<sub>5</sub> (ca. 0.25 g, 1.16 mmol) was added followed by condensation of ca. 1 mL of aHF onto the sample at -196 °C. Upon warming to room temperature, the sample rapidly dissolved to give a light orange solution. The sample was cooled to -78 °C, whereupon a light orange solid precipitated. The Raman spectrum of the solid was recorded under aHF at -150 °C and was shown to be  $[\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>]. Excess HF and SbF<sub>5</sub> were removed under dynamic vacuum at 0 °C. Pumping for 5 h yielded a free-flowing orange powder (0.1152 g) identified by Raman spectroscopy as  $[\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>] (0.1119 mmol; 99.4% yield).

In a final attempt to synthesize  $[OsO_2F_3][SbF_6]$ ,  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  was prepared from 0.06404 g (0.2148 mmol) of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> and an excess of SbF<sub>5</sub> (ca. 0.25g, 1.16 mmol) in a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. o.d. FEP reaction tube as previously described (vide supra). Two equivalents of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> (0.1201 g, 0.4027 mmol) were added to freshly prepared  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  (0.1520 g, 0.2077 mmol) followed by condensation of ca. 1 mL of aHF onto the sample at -196 °C. Upon warming to room temperature, the sample slowly dissolved to give a magenta-colored solution. The sample was cooled to -78 °C, whereupon a magenta solid corresponding to cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> precipitated. The Raman spectrum was recorded under aHF at -150 °C and showed that a mixture of  $[\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>] and cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> was present. Hydrogen fluoride removal under dynamic vacuum at -78 °C followed by pumping for 3 h at -78 °C yielded a finely divided mixture of orange and magenta crystallites identified by Raman spectroscopy as  $[\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>]<sup>22</sup> and *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>.<sup>11</sup> Upon warming to 90 °C for 1 h, the sample turned completely magenta as cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> neared its melting point. The Raman spectrum (-150 °C) of the heated mixture showed no signs of further reaction.

## 2.3.3. [OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>] Crystal Growth

Crystals of  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  were obtained from a sample comprised of 0.0821g (0.275 mmol) of *cis*-OsO\_2F\_4 and excess SbF<sub>5</sub> (0.500 g, 2.31 mmol) in a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. o.d. FEP beaded reactor (vide supra). The sample was placed in a near-horizontal position, distributing the SbF<sub>5</sub> solution equally among the three wells of the beaded reactor. Slow removal of SbF<sub>5</sub> under dynamic vacuum at 0 °C resulted in crystal growth within each well of the reaction vessel. After 30 h, SbF<sub>5</sub> solvent had been completely removed and

pumping was halted. The tube and orange crystalline samples were cooled to -78 °C and backfilled with dry N<sub>2</sub>. A crystal of  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  having the dimensions 0.26 x 0.12 x 0.06 mm<sup>3</sup> was selected at  $-105 \pm 3$  °C for low-temperature X-ray structure determination and was mounted in a cold stream (-173 °C) on a goniometer head as previously described.<sup>23</sup>

#### 2.4. Fluoride Ion Acceptor Properties of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> and OsOF<sub>4</sub>

# 2.4.1. Synthesis of [Cs][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>]

In a typical synthesis, 113.6 mg (0.381 mmol) of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> and 67.6 mg (0.445 mmol) of CsF (15% excess of CsF) were loaded into a 4-mm FEP tube fitted with a Kel-F valve inside a dry box. The mixture was heated to 95 °C in an oil bath for periods of one min. followed by mixing until a homogeneous orange solid formed and no cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> was visible.

### 2.4.2. Synthesis of $[N(CH_3)_4][OsO_2F_5]$

In a typical synthesis, 56.33 mg (0.177 mmol) of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> and 15.4 mg (0.181 mmol) of  $[N(CH_3)_4][F]$  were loaded inside the dry box into a dry and previously fluorine passivated <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. o.d. FEP reactor fitted with a Kel-F valve at ca. –150 °C. Excess FNO solvent was condensed onto the solid and, upon melting the FNO at –78 °C, a vigorous reaction ensued during which the magenta/white heterogeneous solid mixture changed to orange under FNO. The excess FNO was removed under dynamic vacuum at –78 °C.

## 2.4.3. Synthesis of [NO][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>]

A previously dried and fluorine passivated 4-mm FEP reaction tube was loaded with 16.59 mg (0.0556 mmol) of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>. Excess FNO was condensed onto the solid yielding a red/brown solution above the undissolved *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> at -78 °C.

Alternately, inside the dry box, 16.59 mg (0.0556 mmol) of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> was transferred into a 4-mm FEP tube. Approximately 2.5 cm of HF was distilled onto the solid. Excess FNO was condensed onto the solution and allowed to react at -78 °C. After 12 h, a red/brown solution had formed over undissolved magenta cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>.

## 2.4.4. Synthesis of [NO][OsOF<sub>5</sub>]

A previously dried and fluorine passivated 4-mm FEP reaction tube containing 12.46 mg (0.0442 mmol) of  $OsOF_4$  was connected to a metal vacuum line through a three-way FEP connector which was, in turn, also connected to the FNO storage vessel and an empty FEP tube. The FNO vessel was cooled to -78 °C and the FNO was first distilled into the empty tube at -196 °C to check for purity and quantity. The empty tube was then warmed to -78 °C and an excess of FNO was distilled onto the OsOF<sub>4</sub> at -196 °C. The reaction was warmed to -78 °C and allowed to proceed for ca. 12 h. A brown solution formed above a dark solid. The FNO was then removed by dynamic vacuum at -78 °C leaving behind a grey solid.

# 2.4.5. Synthesis of [Cs][OsOF<sub>5</sub>]

A 4-mm tube was loaded with 9.0 mg (0.0032 mmol) of  $OsOF_4$  and 6.6 mg (0.0043 mmol) of CsF inside the dry box at -150 °C. Approximately 2.5 cm of HF was distilled onto the solid and the reaction mixture was allowed to slowly warm to room

temperature whereupon a brown solution formed. The HF was removed under dynamic vacuum yielding a brown solid.

### 2.4.6. Crystal Growth

# 2.4.6.1. [Cs][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>]·CH<sub>3</sub>CN

Crystals of [Cs][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>]·CH<sub>3</sub>CN were obtained from an NMR sample composed of 9.0 mg (0.0032 mmol) of OsOF<sub>4</sub> (prepared by the hydrolysis of OsO<sub>4</sub> in HF<sup>36</sup>) and 6.6 mg (0.0043 mmol) of CsF that had been previously reacted in HF and subsequently isolated that was dissolved in CH<sub>3</sub>CN solvent (see Synthesis of [Cs][OsOF<sub>5</sub>]) in a 4-mm o.d. FEP reactor. The sample was warmed to 25 °C to dissolve as much solid as possible and was subsequently cooled to -30 °C. The tube was placed in a near-horizontal position, distributing the CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution along the length of the reaction vessel. Slow cooling of the solution from -30 to -40 °C over a period of 5 h resulted in the growth of orange block-shaped crystals. The crystals were isolated by removal of the bulk CH<sub>3</sub>CN through a Teflon cannula at -45 °C using an overpressure of argon.<sup>138</sup> A crystal having the dimensions 0.23 x 0.12 x 0.09 mm<sup>3</sup> was selected at  $-105 \pm 3$  °C for low-temperature X-ray structure determination and was mounted in a cold stream (-173 °C) on a goniometer head as previously described.<sup>23</sup>

# 2.4.6.2. cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]

Crystals of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] were obtained from a sample composed of 0.1368 g (0.3039 mmol) of [Cs][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>] and 0.5192 g (0.3147 mmol) of [Cs][F] dissolved in CH<sub>3</sub>CN in a  $\frac{1}{4}$ -in. FEP T-shaped reactor. A purple solution above an amorphous brown solid was present when the reactor and contents were warmed to

-20 °C. Red crystals of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] grew at 0 °C over a period of 3 h in the vertical arm of the reaction vessel and settled on top of the brown precipitate. Crystals were isolated by decanting the solvent into the horizontal arm and were dried along with the brown material under dynamic vacuum at -78 °C. The red crystals were separated from the brown solid under a microscope in the course of crystal mounting. The crystal used for X-ray structure determination had the dimensions 0.18 x 0.14 x 0.10 mm<sup>3</sup>.

# 2.4.6.3. cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]

Crystals of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] were obtained from a sample composed of 0.0677 g (0.177 mmol) of [N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>] dissolved in CH<sub>3</sub>CN in a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. FEP tube. Red crystals were grown between –15 and –28 °C. When sufficient crystals of good quality had grown, the tube was severed under a flow of argon and sealed with a Kel-F cap having two <sup>1</sup>/<sub>16</sub>-in. holes which was sealed onto the FEP reaction tube by means of a Viton O-ring (See Figure 2.9). Prior to assembly, a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>16</sub>-in. o.d. Teflon tube was passed through one hole of the Kel-F cap which had a slow steam of argon slowly passing through it. The Teflon tube end was positioned well above the supernatant and the nitrogen in the reaction tube was displaced with argon through the second hole in the Kel-F cap. A second Teflon capillary tube was inserted through the outlet hole of the Kel-F cap while maintaining the argon flow. Lowering the outlet tube into the solution forced the pale red supernatant through the tube into a second <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. o.d. FEP container cooled to –78 °C. The Kel-F cap was removed and the tube was sealed with a Swagelok Ultra-Torr union connected to a Kel-F valve. The crystals were dried under dynamic vacuum at -30 °C. The crystal used for X-ray structure determination had the dimensions 0.18 x 0.18 x 0.14 mm<sup>3</sup>.

# 2.4.6.4. *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF

Crystals of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF were obtained from a sample comprised of 0.0100 g (0.0222 mmol) of [Cs][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>] dissolved in CH<sub>3</sub>CN in a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. FEP reaction vessel. Orange plate-like crystals of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF and colorless block-shaped crystals grew between 0 and -35 °C over a period of 11 h. The crystals were isolated by removal of the solvent under dynamic vacuum at -40 °C. The orange crystals were selected and mounted for X-ray diffraction. The crystal used for X-ray structure determination had the dimensions 0.20 x 0.20 x 0.02 mm<sup>3</sup>.

#### 2.4.6.5. *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>

Crystals of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> were obtained from a sample comprised of 0.0377 g (0.126 mmol) of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> and 0.150 g (0.611 mmol) XeF<sub>6</sub> in a 4-mm FEP tube. The mixture was heated to 45 °C whereupon XeF<sub>6</sub> melted and *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> was soluble in the molten XeF<sub>6</sub>. Purple crystals of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> and colorless crystals of XeF<sub>6</sub> were grown by sublimation from XeF<sub>6</sub> solution at 45 °C over a period of 4 days. Crystals of XeF<sub>6</sub> and *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> grew in cooler portions of the tube and in some cases, the XeF<sub>6</sub> crystals encased the *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> crystals. The purple plates encased in XeF<sub>6</sub> were of better quality than the crystals which were not encased, and were carefully broken out of the larger XeF<sub>6</sub> crystal and used for X-ray diffraction. The crystal used for X-ray structure determination had the dimensions 0.11 x 0.06 x 0.05 mm<sup>3</sup>.

# 2.5. Xenon (VI) Adducts of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>

### 2.5.1. Syntheses of $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$ and $(OsO_3F_2)_2$

Inside a nitrogen-filled dry box, a fluorine passivated FEP reaction vessel was loaded with 0.02803 g (0.1015 mmol) of orange  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ . The reaction vessel was then transferred to a metal vacuum line and ca. 1.0 g (4.5 mmol) of XeOF<sub>4</sub> was distilled into it. Upon warming to room temperature, an orange suspension formed which slowly dissolved with agitation over a period of several hours to form a deep orange colored solution. The reaction vessel was attached to a metal vacuum line through a FEP U-trap cooled to -196 °C and excess XeOF<sub>4</sub> was removed under dynamic vacuum at 0 °C. Pumping for ca. 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> min yielded an orange solid that was identified as (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·2XeOF<sub>4</sub> (0.04931 g, 0.04936 mmol) by Raman spectroscopy. Associated XeOF<sub>4</sub> was removed from the adduct by further pumping on the solid at 0 °C for 3 h, producing a yellow powder identified as (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (0.02720 g, 0.04924 mmol) by Raman spectroscopy. The dimer underwent a phase transition to  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  when warmed to and maintained at room temperature for  $1\frac{1}{2}$  h, whereas the Raman spectrum of the XeOF<sub>4</sub> adduct showed no change when the sample was held at room temperature for up to 5 h. Slow dissociation of XeOF<sub>4</sub> and rearrangement of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  to  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  was, however, detected upon further standing at room temperature and was complete after 21 days.

# 2.5.2. (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·2XeOF<sub>4</sub> Crystal Growth

Crystals of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$ ·2XeOF<sub>4</sub> were obtained from a sample comprised of 0.0502 g (0.182 mmol) of  $OsO_3F_2$  dissolved in excess XeOF<sub>4</sub> (ca. 0.500 g, 2.24 mmol) and contained in a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. o.d. FEP T-shaped reactor. The sample vessel was placed in a near-

horizontal position, distributing the XeOF<sub>4</sub> solution along the length of the reaction vessel. Slow cooling of the solution to 0 °C over 3 h resulted in the growth of light orange needles while the supernatant remained deep orange in color. Crystals were isolated by decanting the solvent at -5 °C under dry nitrogen into the sidearm of the FEP vessel, which was immersed in liquid nitrogen, followed by drying of the crystalline product under dynamic vacuum at -20 °C before the sidearm containing the supernatant was removed by heat sealing off this arm of the reaction vessel under dynamic vacuum at -196 °C. A crystal of (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·2XeOF<sub>4</sub> having the dimensions 0.17 x 0.04 x 0.03 mm<sup>3</sup> was selected at  $-105 \pm 3$  °C for low-temperature X-ray structure determination and was mounted in a cold stream (-173 °C) on a goniometer head as previously described.<sup>23</sup>

## 2.6. Lewis Base Adducts of OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>

# 2.6.1. Syntheses of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)·2CH<sub>3</sub>CN and fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)

In a typical synthesis, a fluorine passivated FEP tube was loaded inside a dry box with 0.0545 g (0.1973 mmol) of orange  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  using a Teflon scoop fitted to a  $\frac{1}{16}$ -in. Ni rod. The reaction vessel was then transferred to a glass vacuum line and ca. 0.1 mL of CH<sub>3</sub>CN was condensed into the tube at -196 °C. Upon warming to -40 °C with agitation, a yellow-brown precipitate and orange supernatant resulted. Excess CH<sub>3</sub>CN was °C, removed under dynamic vacuum -40initially yielding at which *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)·2CH<sub>3</sub>CN followed formation was by the of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) upon further pumping at -40 °C. Both compounds were isolated as yellow-brown solids. The sample composition was monitored by Raman spectroscopy.

# 2.6.2. fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)·2CH<sub>3</sub>CN Crystal Growth

Crystals of *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)·2CH<sub>3</sub>CN were obtained from a sample composed of 0.021 g (0.076 mmol) of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  and excess (ca 0.2 mL) CH<sub>3</sub>CN in a ¼-in. o.d. FEP beaded reactor with three wells for crystal growth. The reactor was warmed to -40 °C, whereupon  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  dissolved, forming a yellow-brown solution. The reactor was placed in a horizontal position, distributing the CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution among the three wells that had been blown into the FEP vessel. The solution was maintained between -41 and -45 °C over 6 h, resulting in the growth of light orange blocks while the supernatant solution retained its yellow-brown color. The orange blocks were isolated by removal of the supernatant through a Teflon cannula using an overpressure of argon, followed by evacuation and drying of the crystalline product under dynamic vacuum at -45 °C for 10 min. A crystal having the dimensions 0.23 x 0.12 x 0.09 mm<sup>3</sup> was selected at -105 ±3 °C for low-temperature X-ray structure determination and was mounted in a cold stream (-173 °C) on a goniometer head as previously described.<sup>23</sup>

### 2.7. Fluoride Ion Acceptor Properties of OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>

Note: prolonged heating (> 2 h) of all three salts mentioned in sections 2.7.1-2.7.3 to 50 °C under 1 atm of nitrogen led to sublimation of XeF<sub>6</sub> out of the heated zone and condensation on the cooler walls of the reaction vessel.

# 2.7.1. Synthesis of $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]

On a metal vacuum line, 0.0296 g (0.121 mmol) of  $XeF_6$  was sublimed into a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. o.d. FEP weighing vessel. Inside the dry box, a 4-mm FEP reaction tube was loaded

with 0.0496 g (0.180 mmol) of orange  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ . The reaction vessel and weighing vessel were then transferred to a metal vacuum line and XeF<sub>6</sub> (0.0228 g, 0.0930 mmol) was sublimed from the weighing vessel into the reaction vessel containing  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ under static vacuum at -196 °C. Warming the reaction mixture to 25 °C initially resulted in a deep orange liquid and unreacted  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ . The sample solidified, as  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ was consumed, to form orange crystalline  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F $(OsO_3F_2)_2]$ . Heating the sample at 50 °C for 1 h under 1 atm of dry N<sub>2</sub> to ensure complete reaction did not result in any physical changes.

# 2.7.2. Synthesis of [XeF<sub>5</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>]

Following a synthetic procedure similar to that outlined for  $[XeF_3][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>], 0.0772 g (0.315 mmol) of XeF<sub>6</sub> was initially sublimed into a ¼-in. FEP weighing vessel and 0.0675 g (0.244 mmol) of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  was loaded into a 4-mm FEP reaction vessel. Xenon hexafluoride (0.0614 g, 0.250 mmol) was sublimed from the weighing vessel into the reaction vessel containing  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ . Upon warming to room temperature (25 °C), a deep orange liquid formed. The sample was heated at 50 °C for 1 h under 1 atm of dry N<sub>2</sub> to ensure complete reaction, and upon cooling to 0 °C, an orange crystalline solid formed.

# 2.7.3. Synthesis of [Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>]

Following a synthetic procedure similar to that outlined for  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>], 0.1255 g (0.512 mmol) of XeF<sub>6</sub> was initially sublimed into a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. FEP weighing vessel and 0.0601 g (0.218 mmol) of orange  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  was loaded into a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. FEP reaction vessel. Xenon hexafluoride, 0.1224 g (0.499 mmol) was sublimed from the weighing vessel into the reaction vessel containing  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ . Upon warming the reaction mixture to room temperature (25 °C), a light orange crystalline solid formed. The sample was then warmed to 50 °C under 1 atm of dry  $N_2$ , whereupon the sample melted, forming a deep orange liquid which solidified upon cooling to room temperature.

#### 2.7.4. Crystal Growth

# 2.7.4.1. $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]

Crystals of  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] were obtained from a sample consisting of 0.0496 g (0.180 mmol) of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  and 0.0228 g (0.0930 mmol) of XeF<sub>6</sub> in a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. FEP reactor. The mixture was fused at 50 °C and allowed to cool to room temperature over a period of 1h, yielding small orange, block-shaped crystals. The crystalline sample was initially cooled to 0 °C and then to -78 °C for storage. The crystal used for X-ray structure determination had the dimensions 0.39 x 0.10 x 0.10 mm<sup>3</sup>.

## 2.7.4.2. $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$

Crystals of  $[XeF_3][OsO_3F_3]$  were obtained from a sample consisting of 0.0675 g (0.244 mmol) of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  and 0.0614 g (0.2503 mmol) of XeF<sub>6</sub> in a ¼-in. FEP reactor. The mixture was warmed to 25 °C, whereupon the reactants fused to form a deep orange liquid. The reaction vessel was placed in a near-horizontal position, distributing the liquid along the length of the reactor. The reactor and contents were cooled in a water bath from 25 to 0 °C over a 2 h period, which resulted in the growth of light orange block-shaped crystals as the liquid solidified. The crystalline sample was initially cooled to 0 °C and then to -78 °C for storage. The crystal used for X-ray structure determination had the dimensions 0.21 x 0.21 x 0.20 mm<sup>3</sup>.

## 2.7.4.3. $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$

Crystals of  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  were obtained from a sample mixture consisting of 0.0621 g (0.224 mmol) of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  and 0.2559 g (1.043 mmol) of XeF<sub>6</sub> in a ¼-in. o.d. FEP beaded reactor with three wells for crystal growth.<sup>139</sup> The mixture was warmed to 40 °C in a water bath and the orange liquid that formed was distributed among the three wells when the reactor was placed in a horizontal position. The bath was slowly cooled to 15 °C over 12 h which resulted in the growth of orange needles of  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  in the wells and growth of colorless plates of  $XeF_6$  which had deposited by sublimation along the length of the reactor. The crystalline sample was initially cooled to 0 °C and then to -78 °C for storage. The crystal used for X-ray structure determination had the dimensions 0.39 x 0.11 x 0.07 mm<sup>3</sup>.

#### 2.8. Binary Noble-Gas Fluoride Adducts of XeOF<sub>4</sub>

### 2.8.1. Synthesis of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub>

Inside a nitrogen-filled dry box, a fluorine passivated 4-mm FEP reaction vessel was loaded with 0.04471 g (0.2641 mmol) of XeF<sub>2</sub>. The reaction vessel was then transferred to a metal vacuum line and ca. 0.5 g (2.2 mmol) of XeOF<sub>4</sub> was distilled into the tube. Upon warming to 25 °C, a colorless solution formed. The reaction vessel was attached to a metal vacuum line through an FEP U-trap cooled to -196 °C and excess XeOF<sub>4</sub> was removed under dynamic vacuum at 0 °C. Pumping for 2 h yielded a white solid that was characterized by Raman spectroscopy.

# 2.8.2. Synthesis of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub>

On a metal vacuum line, 0.0231 g (0.190 mmol) of KrF<sub>2</sub> was sublimed into a preweighed 4-mm fluorine passivated FEP reaction vessel. Excess, ca. 0.100 g (0.448 mmol), XeOF<sub>4</sub> was then condensed onto KrF<sub>2</sub> that had been sublimed into the reaction vessel at -196 °C. The reaction vessel was warmed to -20 °C and a colorless solution formed. The sample composition was monitored by Raman spectroscopy, using the v(XeO) and v(KrF) stretches as calibration points, as the excess XeOF<sub>4</sub> was removed under dynamic vacuum at -20 °C. The sample composition stopped changing after 6 h and it was apparent that both XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> and excess XeOF<sub>4</sub> were being removed together.

### 2.8.3. Synthesis of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·nKrF<sub>2</sub>

On a metal vacuum line, 0.0564 g (0.251 mmol) of XeOF<sub>4</sub> was condensed into a pre-weighed 4-mm fluorine passivated FEP reaction vessel. On a metal vacuum line, 0.0607 g (0.498 mmol) of KrF<sub>2</sub> was sublimed into a pre-weighed 4-mm fluorine passivated FEP weighing vessel. The pre-weighed KrF<sub>2</sub> was then sublimed into the reaction vessel. Upon warming to -20 °C, a wet white solid formed. The reaction at -20 °C was followed by Raman spectroscopy for 12 h until there was no change in the Raman spectrum recorded after 1 h intervals of reaction. After 12 h, the sample was a white solid at -20 °C consisting of unreacted KrF<sub>2</sub> and XeOF<sub>4</sub>·nKrF<sub>2</sub>.

#### 2.8.4. Crystal Growth

# 2.8.4.1. XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub>

Crystals of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> were obtained from a sample composed of 0.1358 g (0.8022 mmol) of XeF<sub>2</sub> and ca. 0.67 g (3.00 mmol) of XeOF<sub>4</sub> contained in a ¼-in. o.d. FEP reactor equipped with a sidearm. The reactor was warmed to 25 °C and a clear colorless solution formed. The reactor was placed in the horizontal position, distributing the liquid along the length of the reactor. The reactor was slowly cooled to -36 °C over 1 h resulting in growth of colorless kaleidoscope-like plates. The colorless plates were isolated by decanting the solvent at -37 °C under dry nitrogen into the sidearm of the FEP vessel, which was immersed in liquid nitrogen, followed by evacuation and vacuum drying of the crystalline product under dynamic vacuum at -40 °C before the sidearm containing the supernatant was removed by heat sealing off this portion of the reaction vessel under dynamic vacuum at -196 °C. A crystal of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> having the dimensions 0.04 x 0.07 x 0.13 mm<sup>3</sup> was selected for low-temperature X-ray structure determination at  $-105 \pm 3$  °C and was mounted in a cold stream (-173 °C) on a goniometer head as previously described.<sup>23</sup>

# 2.8.4.2. XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub>

Crystals of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> were obtained from a sample composed of KrF<sub>2</sub> and excess XeOF<sub>4</sub> contained in a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. o.d. FEP reactor equipped with a sidearm. The reactor was warmed to -20 °C and a clear colorless solution formed. The reactor was placed in the horizontal position, distributing the liquid along the length of the reactor and cooled to -36 °C. The reactor was slowly cooled to -41 °C over 3 h resulting in growth of colorless needles while the solution remained colorless. The colorless needles were isolated by decanting as much solvent as possible at -41 °C under dry nitrogen into the sidearm of the FEP vessel, which was immersed in liquid nitrogen. The sidearm containing the supernatant was removed by heat sealing off this portion of the reaction vessel under dynamic vacuum at -196 °C. Excess XeOF<sub>4</sub> that could not be decanted froze around the crystals and could not be pumped off at -41 °C. A crystal of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> having the dimensions 0.07 x 0.10 x 0.15 mm<sup>3</sup> was isolated from the frozen XeOF<sub>4</sub> and was selected for low-temperature X-ray structure determination at  $-105 \pm 3$  °C and was mounted in a cold stream (-173 °C) on a goniometer head as previously described.<sup>23</sup>

# 2.9. Raman Spectroscopy

The Raman spectra recorded during the course of this Thesis were collected using two spectrometers, which are each described in detail in the subsequent sections. All samples except [Cs][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>] and [Cs][Os<sup>18</sup>O<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>] were recorded on the Bruker RFS 100 FT Raman Spectrometer.

#### 2.9.1. Bruker RFS 100 FT Raman Spectrometer

Low-temperature Raman spectra were recorded on a Bruker RFS 100 FT Raman Spectrometer equipped with a quartz beam splitter, a liquid nitrogen-cooled germanium diode detector and a R495 low-temperature accessory providing temperatures ranging from -40 to -160 °C with an estimated error of  $\pm 1$  °C. The backscattered (180°) radiation was sampled. The scanner velocity was 5 kHz and the wavelength range for acquisition lay between 5894 and 10394 cm<sup>-1</sup> when shifted relative to the laser line at 9394 cm<sup>-1</sup> (1064.5 nm), giving a spectral range of 3501 to -999 cm<sup>-1</sup>. The usable Stokes range was 50 - 3500 cm<sup>-1</sup> with a spectral resolution of 1 cm<sup>-1</sup>. Fourier transformation was accomplished using a Blackman Harris 4-term apodization and a zero-filling factor of 2. The 1064-nm line of a Nd YAG Laser (400 mW maximum output) was used for excitation of the sample with a laser spot of < 0.1 mm. Typically 300 scans were performed, and increased to 1200 - 2400 for weak scatterers, at a laser power of 300 mW.

## 2.9.2. Renishaw Invia Raman Spectrometery

Room temperature Raman spectra were recorded on a Renishaw Invia Laser Raman Spectrometer equipped with a mapping stage and microscope. The spectrometer was equipped with a green laser operating at 514 nm (25 mW maximum output) and a red laser operating at 785 or 782 nm (300 mW maximum output) which were focused using a holographic grating with 1200 lines/mm. The usable Stokes range was 100 - 4000 cm<sup>-1</sup> with a spectral resolution of 1 cm<sup>-1</sup>. Typically 2-7 scans were performed.

### 2.10. Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy

Low-temperature NMR spectra were recorded unlocked (field drift < 0.1 Hz h<sup>-1</sup>) on a Bruker DRX-500 spectrometer [11.745 T; <sup>1</sup>H (500.138 MHz), <sup>13</sup>C (125.755 MHz), <sup>15</sup>N (50.693 MHz), <sup>19</sup>F (470.592 MHz), <sup>129</sup>Xe (138.086 MHz)] using XWINNMR or TOPSPIN as the computer software. The spectrometer was equipped with a Bruker 5-mm broad band inverse probe. The NMR probe was cooled using a nitrogen flow and variable temperature controller (BV-T 3000). The <sup>19</sup>F spectra were acquired in 32 or 64 K

memories with a spectral width setting of 160-24 kHz, yielding data acquisition times of 0.197-1.39 s and a data point resolutions of 2.54-0.36 Hz/data point; a pulse width of 8.5-2.5  $\mu$ s was used. The <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C, <sup>15</sup>N, <sup>19</sup>F, and <sup>129</sup>Xe NMR spectra were referenced at 30 °C to external samples of Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub> (<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C), CH<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>, CFCl<sub>3</sub>, and XeOF<sub>4</sub>, respectively. The chemical shift convention used was a positive value signifies a chemical shift to high frequency with respect to the reference compound, and vice versa. A summary of typical spectroscopic parameters used for the spectra acquired for this Thesis is provided in Table 2.1. In some cases, Gaussian rather than exponential multiplication was used to process the FID's, and is indicated within the relevant discussions.

### 2.11. Single Crystal X-ray Diffraction

#### 2.11.1. Crystal Growth and Isolation

The majority of the crystals used for structure determination by X-ray crystallography were grown in the low-temperature crystal growing apparatus depicted in Figure 2.10. The following procedure summarizes the general approach used to grow crystals from solutions using the temperature gradient method.

Solvent (ca. 1 mL or less) was condensed onto the compound (ca. 0.3 mmol) at -196 °C that had been synthesized in situ in one arm of a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in o.d. FEP T-shaped reactor fitted with a Kel-F valve. The reactor was warmed so as to just effect dissolution, and while maintained at that temperature, the reactor was attached to a vacuum line and pressurized to ca. 1 atm with dry nitrogen. After removal from the vacuum line, the arm containing the

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Acquisition	<sup>1</sup> H	<sup>13</sup> C	<sup>15</sup> N	<sup>19</sup> F	<sup>129</sup> Xe
Parameter <sup>a</sup>					
$B_0 = 11.744 \text{ T}$					
SF (MHz)	500.130	125.755	50.693	470.592	138.857
TD (K)	16-32	16	32	32 to 160	128
SW (kHz)	20	24	50	24 to 100	1000
Hz/pt	0.15-61	1.52	3.05	0.43 to 1.53	0.76
PW (µs)	2.5	6.0	12.0	8.5	10.0
RD (s)	0.05 to 2.5	2.0 to 5.0	5.0	0.05 to 1.00	0.1
NS	8 to 500	2000 to 16,000	153,000	1000 to 3800	7000

 Table 2.1.
 Summary of Typical Spectroscopic Parameters Used for NMR Spectroscopy

<sup>a</sup> The abbreviations denote: B<sub>o</sub>, external magnetic field; SF, spectral frequency; TD, time domain; SW, sweep width; PW, pulse width; RD, relaxation delay; NS, number of scans



Figure 2.10. Low-temperature crystal growing apparatus; (A) glass-jacketed dewar, (B) nitrogen cold flow, (C) thermocouple lead, (D) T-shaped FEP reaction vessel with side arm, (E) sample region, (F) Kel-F valve, (G) FEP U-trap, (H) glass vacuum manifold, (I) greaseless J. Young valve with PTFE barrel, amd (J) PTFE Swagelok or stainless steel Swagelok Ultra-Torr union. Reproduced with permission from Ref 28

solution was inserted into the glass dewar of a crystal growing apparatus<sup>126</sup> that had been previously adjusted to the same temperature and then inclined at ca. 5° from horizontal. The temperature was then slowly lowered, usually over several hours, whereupon crystals began to grow on the walls of the FEP vessel. The reactor was then maintained at that temperature for a further period of time to allow for more complete crystallization. Crystals were isolated by decanting the solvent under dry nitrogen into the side arm of the FEP vessel which was immersed in liquid nitrogen, followed by evacuation and vacuum drying of the crystalline product under dynamic vacuum at ca. -80 °C before the side-arm containing the supernatant was heat-sealed off. A crystal having dimensions less than 0.40 x 0.40 x 0.40 mm<sup>3</sup> was selected at  $-105 \pm 2$  °C for low-temperature X-ray structure determination and was mounted in a cold stream (-173 °C) on a goniometer head as described in the next section.<sup>23</sup>

# 2.11.2. Low-Temperature Crystal Mounting

Because most of the samples investigated in this work were thermally unstable and/or moisture sensitive, all of the samples investigated were mounted at low temperature using the apparatus depicted in Figures 2.11 and 2.12. The reaction vessels containing the samples were first cut open below the Kel-F valve under a flow of dry argon gas, using an inverted glass funnel, while maintaining the sample at -78 °C. The sample was then quickly dumped into the aluminum trough of the crystal mounting apparatus under a stream of dry argon, precooled ( $-104 \pm 2$  °C) by the regulated passage of dry nitrogen gas flow through a 5-L dewar filled with liquid N<sub>2</sub> (Figure 2.11). The temperature inside the trough was measured using a copper-constantan thermocouple



Figure 2.11. Low-temperature crystal mounting apparatus; (A) nitrogen inlet, (B) glass sleeve for ambient nitrogen flow (optional), (C) liquid N<sub>2</sub> dewar, (D) adjustable support stage, (E) silvered dewar (glass), (F) aluminum trough. Reproduced with permission from Ref 28



Figure 2.12. (a) Enlarged view of the crystal mounting apparatus; (A) ambient nitrogen gas flow inlet, (B) glass sleeve for ambient nitrogen gas flow, (C) adjustable support stage, (D) aluminum trough, (E) silvered glass jacketed dewar, (F) magnetic-tipped wand affixed to (G) the magnetic-based copper pin-fibre assembly, (H) glass fibre.
(I) stereo-zoom microscope, (b) cryotongs employed in the transfer of the copper pin-fibre assembly with affixed crystal from the support stage to the goniometer head. Reproduced with permission from Ref 28

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positioned in the sample region of the trough. Using an additional glass sleeve, which was fitted into a concentric position around the silvered cold-flow dewar, an ambient nitrogen gas flow was slowly passed through the sleeve in order to maintain a laminar flow, thereby reducing atmospheric moisture build up in the trough. Crystals were then selected using a stereo-zoom microscope and mounted on a glass fibre (0.05 to 0.1-mm o.d.) using perfluorinated polyether oil (Ausimont Inc., Fomblin Z15 or Z25) which served as an adhesive upon freezing at low temperature. The glass fibre was previously mounted with epoxy cement to a copper pin fitted to a magnetic base and affixed to the end of a magnetic wand (Hampton Research). The magnetic wand could be fastened to an adjustable support stage such that samples could be inspected under the stereo-zoom microscope once affixed to the glass fiber. The mounted crystal and magnetic pin were quickly (ca. 5 s) transferred from the crystal mounting apparatus to the magnetic mount of the goniometer by means of cryotongs (Hampton Research) which were precooled in liquid N<sub>2</sub> prior to use. The crystals were maintained at low temperature on the goniometer head by a cold N<sub>2</sub> gas flow provided by a Molecular Structure Corporation cryostat system.

## 2.11.3. Data Collections

The crystallographic data acquired during the course of this Thesis were collected using two diffractometers, which are described in the subsequent sections. Both instruments were equipped with Oxford Cryosystems low-temperature cryostream accessories that provided a stream of cold, gaseous  $N_2$  for low-temperature data

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collection. Both instruments were controlled by a Cryostream Controller 700 (Oxford Cryosystems).

## 2.11.3.1. Siemens P4 Diffractometer

The Siemens diffractometer was equipped with a Siemens 1K CCD area detector controlled by SMART<sup>140</sup> and a rotating anode (molybdenum) emitting K $\alpha$  radiation monochromated ( $\lambda = 0.71073$  Å) by a graphite crystal. Diffraction data collection (-173 °C) consisted of a full  $\varphi$ -rotation at  $\chi = 0^{\circ}$  using 0.3° (1040 + 30) frames, followed by a series of short (80 frames)  $\omega$  scans at various  $\varphi$  and  $\chi$  settings to fill the gaps. The crystal-to-detector distance was 5.006–5.016 cm, and the data collection was carried out in a 512 × 512 pixel mode using 2 × 2 pixel binning. Processing of the raw data was completed using SAINT+,<sup>141</sup> which applied Lorentz and polarization corrections to threedimensionally integrated diffraction spots.

# 2.11.3.2. Bruker SMART APEX II Diffractometer

The Bruker SMART APEX II diffractometer was equipped with an APEX II 4K CCD area detector and a 3-axis goniometer, controlled by the APEX2 Graphical User Interface (GUI) software,<sup>142</sup> and a sealed tube X-ray source (Mo target) emitting K $\alpha$ radiation monochromated ( $\lambda = 0.71073$  Å) by a graphite crystal. Diffraction data collection was typically at -173 °C consisting of a full  $\varphi$ -rotation at a fixed  $\chi = 54.74^{\circ}$ with 0.36° (1010) frames, followed by a series of short (250 frames)  $\omega$  scans at various  $\varphi$ settings to fill the gaps. The crystal-to-detector distance was 4.882–4.976 cm, and the data collection was carried out in a 512 × 512 pixel mode using 2 × 2 pixel binning. Processing of the raw data was completed using the APEX2 GUI software,<sup>142</sup> which applied Lorentz and polarization corrections to three-dimensionally integrated diffraction spots.

## 2.11.4. Solution and Refinement of Structures

The program SADABS<sup>141</sup> was used for the scaling of diffraction data, the application of a decay correction, and an empirical absorption correction based on the intensity ratios of redundant reflections. The XPREP program was used to confirm the unit cell dimensions and the crystal lattices. The final refinements were obtained by introducing anisotropic parameters for all the atoms, an extinction parameter, and the recommended weight factor. The maximum electron densities in the final difference Fourier maps were located around the heavy atoms. All calculations were performed using the SHELXTL package for the structure determination, refinement, and molecular graphics.<sup>143</sup> Structure solutions for most stuctures were obtained by direct methods which located the Os, Xe, Sb, and/or Kr atoms. Successive difference Fourier syntheses revealed the positions of the fluorine, oxygen, carbon, and/or nitrogen atoms. The space group assignments were confirmed through the use of the PLATON<sup>144</sup> software using the ADSYM program.

The positions of the hydrogen atoms in the crystal structures of [Cs][fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>]·CH<sub>3</sub>CN, cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] and the free CH<sub>3</sub>CN molecule of the fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)·CH<sub>3</sub>CN were located on the difference map. For the cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] structure, and the adducted CH<sub>3</sub>CN ligand of the fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)·CH<sub>3</sub>CN structure the positions of the hydrogen atoms were calculated and refined using AFIX restraints.

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A first solution was obtained for the structure of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> in  $P6_5$  by direct methods which located the central osmium atom. The difference Fourier map resulting from the full-matrix least squares refinement revealed six light atoms which relative bond lengths differed enough to allow their unambiguous attribution to oxygen or fluorine atoms. The introduction of these positions gave a residual factor  $R_1$  of 0.33. Several parameters however presented an abnormal behavior, suggesting the possibility of a twin. The program ROTAX was run and suggested the twin law (100  $\overline{110}$  00 $\overline{1}$ ). A refinement was carried out using this law, giving rise to a drastic drop of  $R_1$  to 0.15, indicating it was the correct law. At this stage, the possibility of a racemic twin or wrong absolute structure was suggested by the program. Although the absolute structure was checked, it was shown that the contribution of a racemic twin had to be taken into consideration. The final twin law used was (100  $\overline{110}$  00 $\overline{14}$ ), and gave rise to a  $R_1$  value of 0.0483.

A first solution was obtained for the structure of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF in  $C_m$  by direct methods which located one osmium atom and one cesium atom on general position, as well as two osmium atoms and two cesium atoms on special positions. The difference Fourier map resulting from the full-matrix least squares refinement revealed light atoms around the Os atoms. For the Os positioned on the general position, the relative bond lengths to Os differed enough to allow the unambiguous attribution to oxygen or fluorine atoms. For the Os atoms positioned on special positions, some bond lengths looked more like intermediate Os-O and Os-F bond lengths, suggesting a positional disorder between oxygen and fluorine atoms, which ratio (50:50) is imposed by symmetry. The difference map also revealed other light atoms which were attributed to  $CH_2CN^-$  anions. The refinement of all of these atoms with anisotropic parameters gave a reasonable residual  $R_1$  of 0.0686. At this stage, some significant electron density could still be located in three different areas of the difference map. This density was allocated to HF molecules with a partial occupancy of 0.30. The positions of the hydrogen atoms of the  $CH_2CN^-$  anions were calculated, but no attempt was made to calculate the positions of the hydrogen atoms associated to the HF molecules in view of their small occupancy. The introduction of these HF molecules improved the residual to an  $R_1$  value of 0.042. The final refinement also involved the use of a racemic twin law.

#### 2.12. X-ray Powder Diffraction

#### 2.12.1. Sample Preparation.

A low-temperature mounting technique similar to that described for mounting thermally unstable and/or moisture sensitive single crystals (See section 2.11.2.) was used to mount a powdered sample of  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$ . The cold (-78 °C) sample tube was cut open under a dry argon stream and dumped onto an aluminium trough cooled by a dry nitrogen cold stream (-105 ±3 °C). The closed end of a 0.3 mm glass capillary was attached by means of epoxy to a metallic pin having a magnetic interface. The flat edge of a stainless steel stylus was used to crush the microcrystalline sample and the powdered material was forced into the open end of the mounted capillary to a depth of ca. 2 mm under the nitrogen cold stream. The sample was quickly transferred to the goniometer head of the X-ray diffractometer by means of a cryotongs, previously cooled to -196 °C, and attached to the magnetic interface of the goniometer head.
## 2.12.2. Collection and Processing of X-ray Powder Data

The powdered sample of  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  (vide supra) was centered on a Bruker SMART APEX II diffractometer, equipped with an APEX II 4K CCD area detector and a triple-axis goniometer, controlled by the APEX2 Graphical User Interface (GUI) software,<sup>142</sup> and a sealed source emitting graphite-monochromated Mo-K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 0.71073$  Å). Diffraction data was collected at -150 °C and consisted of a 360° rotation for  $\varphi$  and fixed  $\chi$ , 2 $\theta$  and  $\omega$  angles of 54.76°, 18°, and 9°, respectively. The sample was also equilibrated at -173 °C for 30 min and the data collection was repeated. The sample-to-detector distance was 16.940 cm and the data collection was carried out in a 512 x 512 pixel mode using 2 x 2 pixel binning. The two-dimensional powder analysis and integration around  $\chi$  was completed using the GADDS<sup>145</sup> program resulting in a standard one dimensional intensity versus 2 $\theta$  plot. The powder pattern was calculated for the single crystal data using the Mercury<sup>146</sup> program and was compared with the powder data using the TOPAS<sup>147</sup> program.

### 2.13. Electronic Structure Calculations

All calculations were performed using the Gaussian 98,<sup>148</sup> Gaussian 03,<sup>149</sup> and/or Gaussian 09<sup>150</sup> software packages. Geometries were fully optimized using density functional theory (B3LYP, SVWN, and/or PBE1PBE). For calculations involving Os, the Stuttgart semi-relativistic large core and effective core pseudopotential basis sets (SDDall) augmented for F, O, N, Xe, and/or Sb with two d-type polarization functions by Huzinaga<sup>151</sup> was used at the SVWN level and the Stuttgart basis set augmented by one

f-type polarization function  $(\alpha_f \text{ Os } 0.886)^{152}$  for osmium and aug-cc-pVTZ basis sets for antimony, oxygen, and fluorine were used at the B3LYP level. The 6-21G\* basis set was used for the calculation of the CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> anion.

Pseudo-potentials were used with the aug-cc-pVTZ basis set for osmium, antimony, krypton, and/or xenon. The combined use of the aug-cc-pVTZ and aug-cc-pVTZ-PP basis sets are indicated as aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP). Basis sets were obtained online from the EMSL Basis Set Exchange (https://bse.pnl.gov/bse/portal).<sup>153, 154</sup> The levels and basis sets were benchmarked by calculating *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>,<sup>18</sup> Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>-,139</sup> CH<sub>3</sub>CN,<sup>155</sup> and XeOF<sub>4</sub><sup>18</sup> as previously described. Fundamental vibrational frequencies were calculated along with Raman intensities, and Natural Bond Orbital (NBO) analyses were obtained for the optimized local minima. The program GaussView<sup>156</sup> was used to visualize the vibrational displacements that form the basis of the vibrational mode descriptions presented.

# **CHAPTER 3**

# FLUORIDE ION DONOR PROPERTIES OF *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>: SYNTHESIS, RAMAN SPECTROSCOPIC STUDY, AND X-RAY CRYSTAL STRUCTURE OF [OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>]

## 3.1 Introduction

Relatively few high-valent transition metal oxide fluoride cations are known. For example, the only group 7 oxide fluoride cations that have been structurally characterized are  $MOF_4^+$ , <sup>157, 158</sup>  $\mu$ -F(MOF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+, 157, 158</sup> and  $MO_2F_2^{+, 46, 159}$  (M = Re, Tc). Examples of oxide fluoride cations of Os(VIII) are also sparse with only OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sup>+ 21</sup> and  $\mu$ -F(*cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+ 22</sup> having been fully structurally characterized.

The  $OsO_3F^+$  cation has been characterized in its  $[OsO_3F][PnF_6]$  (Pn = As, Sb),  $[OsO_3F][HF]_2[AsF_6]$ ,  $[OsO_3F][HF][SbF_6]$ , and  $[OsO_3F][Sb_3F_{16}]$  salts by low-temperature Raman spectroscopy and single-crystal X-ray diffraction.<sup>21</sup> The PnF<sub>6</sub><sup>--</sup> salts contain  $OsO_3F^+$  cations that strongly interact with the anion by means of fluorine bridges and/or coordinate HF to osmium through fluorine to give six-coordinate osmium. In contrast, the disordered  $OsO_3F^+$  cation of  $[OsO_3F][Sb_3F_{16}]$ , with an osmium coordination number of four, is well isolated from the weakly fluoro-basic  $Sb_3F_{16}^-$  anion.

The  $\mu$ -F(*cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> cation has been synthesized by reaction of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> with either SbF<sub>5</sub> or AsF<sub>5</sub> in anhydrous HF (aHF) solvent and by reaction of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> with liquid AsF<sub>5</sub>, and isolated as the Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>-</sup> and AsF<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup> salts.<sup>22</sup> The crystal structure of  $[\mu$ -F(*cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>] reveals that the cation consists of two symmetry-related OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> units that are fluorine bridged to one another. The osmium atoms are sixcoordinate, with the oxygen ligands of each osmium atom cis to one another and the fluorine bridge atom trans to two oxygen ligands.

The  $OsO_2F_3^+$  cation has been generated in solution by dissolution of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> in liquid SbF<sub>5</sub> and was characterized by <sup>19</sup>F NMR and Raman spectroscopy in SbF<sub>5</sub> solution, but was not isolated and structurally characterized in the solid state.<sup>22</sup> The doublet and triplet coupling patterns resulting from <sup>2</sup>J(<sup>19</sup>F-<sup>19</sup>F) coupling in the <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum are consistent with a trigonal bipyramidal cation geometry in which the oxygen atoms and a fluorine atom are in equatorial positions and two fluorine atoms are in axial positions. The polymeric Sb<sub>n</sub>F<sub>5n+1</sub><sup>-</sup> anions generated upon ionization of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> in this medium are expected to be very weakly fluoro-basic and to weakly interact with the cation by means of fluorine bridges. The fluorine bridge environments and their attendant couplings to the fluorine resonances of OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup>, however, were not observed in the prior NMR study,<sup>22</sup> and are therefore presumed to be labile on the <sup>19</sup>F NMR time scale. The Raman spectrum of OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> in SbF<sub>5</sub> solvent was assigned under  $C_{2\nu}$  symmetry based on the <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum and the calculated frequencies for the energy-minimized gas-phase trigonal bipyramidal geometry.<sup>22</sup>

In the current study, the first  $OsO_2F_3^+$  salt has been isolated and structurally characterized by single-crystal X-ray diffraction and low-temperature Raman spectroscopy. The thermochemistries of the reactions of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> with PnF<sub>5</sub> (Pn = As, Sb) have also been investigated in the gas-phase and in the solid state.

# 3.2. Results and Discussion

# 3.2.1. Synthesis of [OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>] and Attempted Synthesis of [OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>][SbF<sub>6</sub>]

The salt,  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$ , was synthesized by dissolution of *cis*-OsO\_2F\_4 in liquid SbF\_5 (eq 3.1). Polycrystalline samples of the salt and single crystals suitable for X-ray

$$cis-OsO_2F_4 + 2SbF_5 \xrightarrow{SbF_5} [OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$$
(3.1)

structure determination were isolated by slow removal of  $SbF_5$  solvent under dynamic vacuum at 0 °C, yielding deep orange  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  in nearly quantitative yield.

In an attempt to isolate  $[OsO_2F_3][SbF_6]$ , the  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  salt was pumped under vacuum to remove SbF<sub>5</sub> according to eq 3.2. Monitoring of the sample composition by Raman spectroscopy at intervals during pumping revealed that the only species present were  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  and  $[\mu$ -F(OsO\_2F\_3)\_2][Sb\_2F\_{11}] at constant sample mass, the only species remaining was  $[\mu$ -F(OsO\_2F\_3)\_2][Sb\_2F\_{11}] (eq 3.3).<sup>22</sup>

$$[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}] \xrightarrow{\text{vac}} [OsO_2F_3][SbF_6] + SbF_5$$
(3.2)

$$2[OsO_{2}F_{3}][Sb_{2}F_{11}] \xrightarrow{\text{vac}} [\mu - F(OsO_{2}F_{3})_{2}][Sb_{2}F_{11}] + 2SbF_{5}$$
(3.3)

In other attempts to isolate  $[OsO_2F_3][SbF_6]$ , (1) *cis*-OsO\_2F\_4 was dissolved in aHF containing a 10-fold excess of SbF<sub>5</sub> with respect to the  $OsO_2F_3^+$  cation. Anhydrous HF solvent was used to favor the more fluoro-basic SbF<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup> anion and the formation of  $[OsO_2F_3][SbF_6]$ . Again, Raman spectroscopy confirmed that only  $[\mu$ -F(OsO\_2F\_3)\_2][Sb\_2F\_{11}] was isolated (eq 3.4). (2) A mixture of *cis*-OsO\_2F\_4 and  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  in a 2:1 molarratio was allowed to react in aHF at 25 °C. Raman spectroscopy revealed that only

$$2cis-OsO_{2}F_{4} + 2SbF_{5} \xrightarrow{\text{HF/SbF}_{5}} [\mu-F(OsO_{2}F_{3})_{2}][Sb_{2}F_{11}]$$
(3.4)

 $[\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>] had formed in admixture with *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> when HF was removed under dynamic vacuum at -78 °C (eq 3.5). Fusion of the resulting mixture at 90 °C for 1 h also did not result in further reaction.

$$2cis-OsO_{2}F_{4} + [OsO_{2}F_{3}][Sb_{2}F_{11}] \xrightarrow{HF} [\mu-F(OsO_{2}F_{3})_{2}][Sb_{2}F_{11}] + cis-OsO_{2}F_{4}$$
(3.5)

## 3.2.2. X-ray Crystal Structure of [OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>]

Details of data collection parameters and other crystallographic information are provided in Table 3.1 and geometric parameters are listed in Table 3.2. The crystal structure consists of discrete  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  ion pairs (Figure 3.1a) that are well isolated from one another. There is a short contact (2.190(3) Å) between the osmium atom and a terminal fluorine atom, F(4), cis to the Sb(1)---F(9)---Sb(2) bridge of the Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>-</sup> anion. Such *cis*-fluorine bridge arrangements have been observed for other Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>-</sup> salts; e.g.,  $[XeF_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$ ,<sup>160</sup>  $[XeF][Sb_2F_{11}]$ ,<sup>109</sup>  $[XeF(HF)][Sb_2F_{11}]$ ,<sup>161</sup>  $[BrF_4][Sb_2F_{11}]$ ,<sup>162</sup>  $[(F_3As)AuXe][Sb_2F_{11}]$ ,<sup>163</sup> and  $[N_5][Sb_2F_{11}]$ .<sup>164</sup> The two bridging fluorine atoms of the  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  ion pair, F(4) and F(9), lay only 0.121 and 0.072 Å, respectively, out of the [Sb(1), Sb(2), Os]-plane.

The  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  ion pairs are stacked, without alternation, along the *c*-axis but alternate along the *a*- and *b*-axes (Figure A1) so that the anions and cations of different ion pairs face one another in columns that run parallel to these axes. The resulting F…F and O…F contacts between nearest-neighbor ion pairs are long and near the sums of the van der Waals radii for oxygen and fluorine.<sup>165, 166</sup>

chem formula	$OsO_2F_{14}Sb_2$
space group	<i>P</i> 1 (No. 2)
a (Å)	7.4284(3)
<i>b</i> (Å)	8.6649(4)
<i>c</i> (Å)	10.0394(4)
$\alpha$ (deg)	97.597(2)
$\beta$ (deg)	111.263(2)
γ (deg)	110.697(2)
$V(\text{\AA}^3)$	537.39(4)
molecules/unit cell	2
mol wt (g mol <sup><math>-1</math></sup> )	1463.40
calcd density (g $cm^{-3}$ )	4.522
<i>T</i> (°C)	-173
$\mu (\mathrm{mm}^{-1})$	16.98
$R_1^{a}$	0.0426
$wR_2^{b}$	0.0694

Table 3.1. Summary of Crystal Data and Refinement Results for [OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>]

<sup>*a*</sup>  $R_1$  is defined as  $\sum \|F_0| - \|F_c\|/\Sigma \|F_0\|$  for  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ . <sup>*b*</sup>  $wR_2$  is defined as  $\{\sum [w(F_0^2 - F_c^2)^2]/\Sigma w(F_0^2)^2\}^{\frac{1}{2}}$  for  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ .

		Bon	d Lengths (Å)					
<u>_</u>	exptl <sup>a</sup>			ca	lcd			
	$[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$	$[OsO_2F_3][S$	$Sb_2F_{11}$ (C <sub>1</sub> )	OsO <sub>2</sub> F	$OsO_2F_3^+(C_{2\nu})$			
		SVWN <sup>b</sup>	B3LYP <sup>c</sup>	SVWN <sup>b</sup>	B3LYP <sup>c</sup>	SVWN <sup>b</sup>	B3LYP <sup>d</sup>	
Os-F(1)	1.812(4)	1.870	1.862	1.836	1.828			
Os-F(2)	1.791(3)	1.835	1.826	1.828	1.824			
Os-F(3)	1.806(3)	1.852	1.843	1.828	1.824			
Os-O(1)	1.654(4)	1.696	1.670	1.689	1.663			
Os-O(2)	1.764(4)	1.708	1.677	1.689	1.663			
OsF(4)	2.190(3)	2.089	2.086					
Sb(1) - F(4)	1.958(3)	2.085	2.104			1.909	1.895	
Sb(1) - F(5)	1.851(3)	1.892	1.876			1.904	1.895	
Sb(1)-F(6)	1.836(3)	1.879	1.866			1.902	1.896	
Sb(1)-F(7)	1.844(3)	1.881	1.872			1.908	1.896	
Sb(1)-F(8)	1.837(3)	1.884	1.878			1.906	1.898	
Sb(1)F(9)	1.995(3)	2.027	1.992			2.080	2.076	
Sb(2)F(9)	2.060(3)	2.139	2.197			2.080	2.076	
Sb(2)–F(10)	1.862(3)	1.884	1.874			1.906	1.898	
Sb(2) - F(11)	1.848(4)	1.892	1.877			1.909	1.896	
Sb(2) - F(12)	1.856(4)	1.890	1.882			1.908	1.894	
Sb(2)-F(13)	1.844(3)	1.935	1.907			1.904	1.896	
Sb(2)-F(14)	1.855(4)	1.903	1.890			1.902	1.894	
		Bo	nd Angles (°)					
O(1)-Os- $O(2)$	99.9(2)	103.1	102.3	108.6	108.7			
O(1) - Os - F(1)	100.1(2)	97.6	96.6	125.7	125.7			
O(1)-Os-F(2)	100.2(2)	96.6	96.8	95.5	95.4			
O(1)– $Os$ – $F(3)$	100.1(2)	100.1	97.6	95.5	95.4			
O(1)-OsF(4)	179.2(2)	173.7	175.0					

**Table 3.2.**Experimental Geometrical Parameters for  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  and Calculated Geometrical Parameters for  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$ ,  $OsO_2F_3^+$ , and  $Sb_2F_{11}^-$ 

O(2)-Os- $F(1)$	159.9(2)	158.5	160.9	125.7	125.7		
O(2)– $Os$ – $F(2)$	90.3(2)	96.1	95.8	95.5	95.4		
O(2)– $Os$ – $F(3)$	88.6(2)	89.9	92.4	95.5	95.4		
O(2) - Os - F(4)	80.9(2)	81.8	82.6				
F(1) - Os - F(2)	87.8(2)	87.0	84.5	80.6	80.7		
F(1) - Os - F(3)	86.2(2)	80.8	82.4	80.6	80.7		
F(1)-OsF(4)	79.1(1)	78.0	78.5				
F(2) - Os - F(3)	159.6(2)	160.4	161.6	164.6	161.4		
F(2) - Os F(4)	79.5(1)	78.8	82.2				
F(3)-Os-F(4)	80.2(1)	83.7	82.5				
OsF(4)-Sb(1)	173.0(2)	135.8	154.4				
F(4)-Sb(1)-F(5)	86.6(2)	83.3	84.1			89.3	89.9
F(4)-Sb(1)-F(6)	171.5(1)	175.3	175.5			170.0	172.4
F(4)-Sb(1)-F(7)	87.1(2)	81.6	82.8			88.9	89.6
F(4)-Sb(1)-F(8)	90.9(1)	85.9	86.4			94.7	93.8
F(4)-Sb(1)F(9)	83.4(1)	86.1	84.4			83.9	86.3
F(5)-Sb(1)-F(6)	92.0(2)	96.6	96. <b>2</b>			90.6	89.9
F(5)-Sb(1)-F(7)	168.6(2)	161.1	165.3			171.2	172.2
F(5)-Sb(1)-F(8)	94.7(2)	94.3	92.6			94.5	94.0
F(5)-Sb(1)-F(9)	84.5(1)	81.5	86.1			86.3	87.0
F(6)-Sb(1)-F(7)	92.9(2)	97.5	96.3			89.7	89.6
F(6)-Sb(1)-F(8)	97.6(2)	98.8	98.0			95.3	93.8
F(6)-Sb(1)F(9)	88.0(1)	89.2	91.2			86.1	86.1
F(7)-Sb(1)-F(8)	94.9(1)	95.9	93.1			94.2	93.8
F(7)-Sb(1)F(9)	85.3(1)	86.1	86.1			85.0	85.3
F(8)-Sb(1)F(9)	174.3(2)	171.0	170.8			179.2	179.1
Sb(1)F(9)Sb(2)	170.0(2)	142.0	158.2			133.7	161.5
F(9)Sb(2)- $F(10)$	178.5(2)	176.0	178.5			178.4	179.1
F(9)Sb(2)-F(11)	85.5(1)	84.2	83.3			83.9	85.6
F(9)Sb(2)-F(12)	85.3(1)	84.2	83.7			85.0	86.8
F(9)Sb(2)- $F(13)$	84.4(1)	81.0	82.7			86.3	85.6

F(9)Sb(2)- $F(14)$	85.2(1)	81.6	83.6	86.1	86.7
F(10)-Sb(2)-F(11)	94.1(2)	97.4	96.6	94.7	93.8
F(10)-Sb(2)-F(12)	96.2(2)	99.4	97.8	94.2	93.9
F(10)-Sb(2)-F(13)	94.2(2)	95.3	95.8	94.5	93.8
F(10)-Sb(2)-F(14)	95.1(2)	96.4	96.5	95.3	93.8
F(11)-Sb(2)-F(12)	89.4(2)	91.6	90.7	88.9	89.7
F(11)-Sb(2)-F(13)	90.5(2)	87.3	88.9	89.3	89.5
F(11)-Sb(2)-F(14)	170.7(2)	165.3	166.7	170.0	172.4
F(12)-Sb(2)-F(13)	169.7(2)	165.2	166.3	171.3	172.4
F(12)-Sb(2)-F(14)	88.6(2)	90.8	89.8	89.7	90.0
F(13)–Sb(2)–F(14)	89.9(2)	86.7	87.5	90.6	89.7

<sup>*a*</sup> For the atom labeling scheme see Figure 3.1. <sup>*b*</sup> The SDDall basis set was used, augmented for F, O and Sb with two d-type polarization functions. <sup>*c*</sup> The Stuttgart basis set was used for Os with the f functional. The aug-cc-pVTZ basis sets were used for all other atoms. <sup>*d*</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis set was used.



**Figure 3.1.** (a) Structural unit in the X-ray crystal structure of [*cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>] with thermal ellipsoids drawn at the 70% probability level. (b) Visualization of the octahedron formed by the light atoms of the OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>-unit.

The oxygen atoms of  $OsO_2F_3^+$  are cis to one another as found in  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ ,<sup>11</sup>  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$ ,<sup>18</sup> *cis*-OsO\_2F\_4,<sup>20</sup> and F(cis-OsO\_2F\_3)\_2^+<sup>22</sup> and in other transition metal oxide fluorides such as  $MoO_2F_2 \cdot 2THF$  (THF = tetrahydrofuran),<sup>44</sup> *cis*-TcO\_2F\_4^-,<sup>47</sup> TcO\_2F\_3,<sup>46</sup> ReO\_2F\_3,<sup>45</sup> *cis*-ReO\_2F\_4^-,<sup>45</sup>  $\mu$ -F(*cis*-ReO\_2F\_3)\_2^-,<sup>45</sup> and Re\_3O\_6F\_{10}^-,<sup>45</sup> The *cis*-dioxo geometry may be accounted for in terms of the relative spatial orientations of the approximate d<sub>t2g</sub> orbitals of the d<sup>0</sup> metal and the availability of filled oxygen p donor orbitals.<sup>167</sup>

The lengths of the Os–O(1) bond trans to the bridging fluorine atom (1.654(4) Å) and the Os–O(2) bond trans to a terminal fluorine atom (1.764(4) Å) are comparable to those found in  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (1.65(1) and 1.73(1) Å, respectively)<sup>22</sup> and (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>∞</sub> (1.69(1)/1.68(1) Å and 1.73(1) Å, respectively).<sup>11</sup> The terminal Os–F(1,2,3) bond lengths (1.812(4), 1.791(3), 1.806(3) Å) are also comparable to those in  $\mu$ -F(*cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (1.79(1), 1.76(1) Å). The Os---F(4) bridge bond (2.190(3) Å) is somewhat longer than the Os---F bridge bonds of (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>∞</sub> (2.126(1), 2.108(1) Å),<sup>11</sup> (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·2XeOF<sub>4</sub> (2.117(5) Å),<sup>18</sup> and  $\mu$ -F(*cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (2.086(3) Å)<sup>22</sup> and is consistent with an ion-pair interaction.

The *trans*-position of the bridging fluorine, F(4), results from the *trans*-influence of the doubly bonded oxygen, O(1), which competes more effectively for the osmium  $d_{t_{2g}}$  orbitals than F(4). Consequently, the F(4) atom is more strongly bonded to the Sb atom with a bond length of 1.958(3) Å and a negative charge that is less than those of the terminal fluorine ligands bonded to osmium and antimony (see Section 3.2.4). The bond length trend, Os–O(1) < Os–O(2), is also a consequence of less effective competition of the bridging fluorine atom (F(4)) for the empty metal  $d_{t_{2g}}$  orbitals than the terminal

fluorine atom (F(1)). The tendency for bridging fluorine atoms to occupy positions trans to O atoms has also been noted in other transition metal oxide fluorides and their cations, e.g.,  $\mu$ -F(*cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>,<sup>22</sup> (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·2XeOF<sub>4</sub>,<sup>18</sup> (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>∞</sub>,<sup>11</sup> polymeric TcO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>·SbF<sub>5</sub>,<sup>46</sup> ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>·SbF<sub>5</sub>,<sup>158</sup>  $\mu$ -F(TcOF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>,<sup>158</sup>  $\mu$ -F(ReOF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup>,<sup>157</sup>  $\mu$ -F(*cis*-ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>,<sup>45</sup> Re<sub>3</sub>O<sub>6</sub>F<sub>10</sub><sup>-,47</sup> WOF<sub>4</sub>,<sup>168</sup> and MoOF<sub>4</sub>.<sup>168</sup>

Removal of a fluoride ion from cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> to form cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> results in contraction of the terminal Os–F bond lengths relative to those of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> (1.883(3) and 1.843(3) Å).<sup>20</sup> This is expected because cation formation results in a higher Os charge and a higher electronegativity for Os, leading to shorter and more covalent Os–F bonds. The length of the Os–O(1) bond trans to the bridging fluorine atom (1.654(4) Å) is comparable to that of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> (1.674(4) Å)<sup>20</sup> while the Os-O(2) bond length trans to the terminal fluorine ligand (1.764(4) Å) is longer than that of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>. The longer Os–O(2) bond length likely results from a secondary bonding interaction between O(2) and F(8) of an adjacent Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>-</sup> anion (O(2)…F(8), 2.808(4) Å).

The light atoms of the  $OsO_2F_3^+$  cation and F(4) of the  $Sb_2F_{11}^-$  anion comprise a distorted octahedral coordination sphere about osmium (Figure 3.1b). Although there is significant variation in the bond lengths around the osmium atom, the octahedron formed by the light atoms is relatively undistorted as shown by the ranges of nearest-neighbor ligand atom contacts.<sup>169</sup> The Os–F(1,2,3) and Os–O(2) bonds are bent away from the Os–O(1) bond, towards the longer Os---F(4) bridge bond. The F(1), F(2), O(2), and F(3) atoms are coplanar within ±0.003 Å and the bond angles subtended by the Os–O(1) bond and this plane are all very close to  $100^\circ$ . The osmium atom is displaced from the center of

the light atom octahedron towards O(1), lying 0.314 Å out of the [F(1), F(2), O(2), F(3)]plane. In contrast, the Os atom is coplanar, to within ±0.02 Å, with the two remaining orthogonal ligand planes, [O(1), F(2), F(3), F(4)] and [O(1), O(2), F(1), F(4)]. This distortion is consistent with that observed for the  $\mu$ -F(*cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> cation,<sup>22</sup> where each Os atom is also displaced towards an O atom trans to the fluorine bridge. The out-ofcenter displacements of the Os atoms of both cations differ from their counterparts in *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>,<sup>20</sup> *cis*-ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>-,45</sup> and *cis*-TcO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>-,47</sup> where the metal atom is symmetrically displaced towards both O atoms of the *cis*-MO<sub>2</sub> group, with the orthogonal [O, M, O]and [F<sub>ax</sub>, M, F<sub>ax</sub>]-planes bisecting each other.

The anion-cation close contact results in significant elongation of the Sb(1)–F(4) bridge bond (1.958(3) Å) when compared with the average of the terminal Sb–F bond lengths (1.847(3) Å). Such elongations have been noted for other ion pairs, e.g.,  $[XeF][Sb_2F_{11}]$  (1.93(4), 1.84(4) Å)<sup>109</sup> and  $[XeF_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  (1.90(1), 1.85(1) Å),<sup>160</sup> and  $[Ir_4(CO)_8(\mu-F_2)(Sb_2F_{11})_2]$  (1.886(3), 1.856(3) Å).<sup>170</sup> The Os---F(4)–Sb bridge angle (173.0(2)°) is slightly bent and compares well with those of  $[BrF_4][Sb_2F_{11}]$  (Br---F–Sb (170(5)°)),<sup>162</sup>  $[XeF_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  (Xe---F–Sb (171.6(1)°),<sup>160</sup> and  $[(F_3As)AuXe][Sb_2F_{11}]$  (Au---F–Sb (173.26(2)°)).<sup>163</sup> The Sb(1)---F(9)---Sb(2) bond angle is also slightly bent (170.0(2)°). Both bridge angles are in good agreement with the fluorine bridge angles of other cubic close-packed structures such as WOF<sub>4</sub> (173(1)°),<sup>171</sup>  $[SeF_3][NbF_6]$  (173(3), 171(6), 176(8), 176(4)°),<sup>172</sup>  $[SeF_3][Nb_2F_{11}]$  (166(2), 177(1), 167(2), 170(2)°),<sup>173</sup> and  $[NbF_4][SbF_6]$  (162.9(8), 164.0(8)°).<sup>174</sup>

The Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>-</sup> anion has a nearly eclipsed conformation, with a dihedral angle,  $\psi$ , between the SbF<sub>4</sub> equatorial planes of the SbF<sub>5</sub> units that share the fluorine bridge atom of 6.9° for F(5,7,8,9) and F(9,10,11,14) and 5.3° for F(4,6,8,9) and F(9,10,12,13). The correlation between the M---F---M bridge angle of a M<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>-</sup> anion and  $\psi$  is well-documented,<sup>162</sup> and results from minimization of steric repulsions between the nearest neighbor fluorine atoms of each octahedron as the M---F---M angle decreases and  $\psi$  increases. Accordingly,  $\psi$  is 0° when the M---F---M is 180°, reaching a maximum of 45° when M---F---M is ca. 145°.

# 3.2.3 Raman Spectroscopy

The solution Raman spectrum of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> in liquid SbF<sub>5</sub> has been previously assigned based on a trigonal bipyramidal geometry for the OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> cation and polymeric Sb<sub>n</sub>F<sub>5n+1</sub><sup>-</sup> anions.<sup>22</sup> The low-temperature solid-state Raman spectrum of [OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>] has been obtained in the present study (Figure 3.2.). The higher spectral resolution, knowledge of the X-ray crystal structure, and a factor-group analysis have enabled the complete vibrational assignment of the [OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>] ion pair.

The observed and calculated frequencies and their assignments are listed in Table 3.3. The spectral assignments for  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  were made by comparison with calculated frequencies and Raman intensities of the gas-phase  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  ion pair,  $Sb_2F_{11}^-$  (Table 3.3), and the  $[OsO_2F_3][SbF_6]$  ion pair (Table A1), which are in good agreement at the SVWN/SDDall(-PP) and B3LYP/aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) levels of theory.

The calculated  $Sb_2F_{11}^{-}$  frequencies show better agreement with the experimental values than those previously calculated at the B3LYP/3-21G\* level.<sup>175, 176</sup> The previous



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**Figure 3.2.** Raman spectrum of  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  recorded at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation; the symbols denote FEP sample tube lines (\*) and an instrumental artifact (†).

$[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$	$[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}](C_1)$		$Sb_2F_{11}(C_1)$			
exptl <sup>a</sup>	cal	lcd <sup>ø</sup>	assgnts <sup>c,d</sup>	C	alcd <sup>e</sup>	assgnts <sup>c,e</sup>
	SVWN	B3LYP <sup>g</sup>		SVWN'	B3LYP <sup>h</sup>	
997(89), 995(99)	1006(70)[71]	1055(76)[63]	$v(OsO_1) + v(OsO_2)$			
946(37), 938(37)	973(79)[25]	1024(25)[64]	$v(OsO_1) - v(OsO_2)$			
718(52), 716 sh	734(32)[91]	732(7)[158]	$v(OsF_2) - v(OsF_3)$			
709(82), 706(24) 702(18)	710(108)[64]	710(28)[101]	$\nu(\mathrm{Os}\mathrm{F}_1) + \nu(\mathrm{Os}\mathrm{F}_2) + \nu(\mathrm{Os}\mathrm{F}_3)$			
696(58), 695 sh	695(19)[93]	712(1)[96]	$v(SbF_5) - v(SbF_7)$	666(<0.1)[195]	675(<0.1)[259]	$ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} [v(SbF_5) - v(SbF_7)] + [v(Sb'F_{14}) - \\ v(Sb'F_{11})] \end{array} \right. $
691(19), 686 sh	677(12)[132]	700(6)[134]	$\nu(SbF_6)$	665(<1)[236]	675(<0.1)[266]	$ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} [v(SbF_6) - v(SbF_4)] + [v(Sb'F_{14}) - \\ v(Sb'F_{11})] + [v(Sb'F_{13}) - v(Sb'F_{12})] \end{array} \right. $
680(7)	672(21)[39]	695(1)[58]	$v(Sb'F_{11}) - v(Sb'F_{14})$	655(<1)[25]	667(<0.1)[8]	$ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} [v(SbF_5) - v(SbF_7)] + [v(Sb'F_{11}) - \\ v(Sb'F_{14})] \end{array} \right. $
669(6)	664(14)[59]	685(15)[42]	$\nu(SbF_8) + \nu(Sb'F_{10})$	655(<1)[24]	667(<0.1)[<1]	$ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} [v(SbF_4) - v(SbF_6)] + [v(Sb'F_{13}) - v(Sb'F_{12})] \end{array} \right. $
659(54), 654(100)	668(14)[41]	676(4)[86]	$v(Sb'F_{12}) - v(Sb'F_{13})$	632(19)[26]	641(29)[3]	$v(SbF_8) + v(Sb'F_{10})$
649(21), 646(10)	657(3)[172]	673(2)[154]	$v(SbF_8) - v(Sb'F_{10})$	625(2)[191]	632(<1)[166]	$v(SbF_8) - v(Sb'F_{10})$
638(13)	660(12)[22]	651(7)[28]	$\nu(\text{OsF}_1) - [\nu(\text{OsF}_2) + \nu(\text{OsF}_3)]$			
608(7), 604(8)	628(23)[16]	640(8)[34]	$\nu(SbF_5) + \nu(SbF_4) + \nu(SbF_9)$	614(<1)[1]	622(<1)[92]	$\begin{cases} [v(SbF_4) + v(SbF_5) + v(SbF_6) + v(SbF_7) + v(SbF_2)] - [v(Sb'F_{11} + v(Sb'F_{12}) + v(Sb'F_{13}) + v(Sb'F_{14}) + v(Sb'F_{2})] \end{cases}$
578(4)	617(54)[37]	632(38)[28]	$v(Sb'F_{11}) + v(Sb'F_{14})$	611(56)[8]	615(38)[2]	$\begin{cases} [v(SbF_4) + v(SbF_5) + v(SbF_6) + v(SbF_7)] \\ + [v(Sb'F_{11}) + v(Sb'F_{12}) + v(Sb'F_{13}) + \\ v(Sb'F_{14})] \end{cases}$
n.o.	562(12)[74]	578(20)[23]	$ \begin{matrix} [\nu(Sb'F_{12}) + \nu(Sb'F_{13})] - [\nu(Sb'F_{11}) + \\ \nu(Sb'F_{14})] \end{matrix} $	584(4)[2]	578(3)[<1]	$\begin{cases} [v(SbF_4) + v(SbF_6)] - [v(SbF_5) + v(SbF_7)] \\ + [v(SbF_{12}) + v(SbF_{13})] - [v(SbF_{11}) + v(SbF_{14})] \\ v(SbF_{14})] \end{cases}$
533(2)	504(9)[132]	511(10)[154]	$[\nu(\mathrm{Os}F_4)-\nu(\mathrm{Sb}F_4)]+[\nu(\mathrm{Sb}'F_9)-\nu(\mathrm{Sb}F_9)]$	583(3)[1]	578(3)[<1]	$ = \frac{[v(SDF_4) + v(SDF_6)] - [v(SDF_5) + v(SDF_7)]}{[v(SDF_{11}) + v(SDF_{14})] - [v(SDF_{12}) + v(SDF_{12})]} $
500(1)	475(32)[40]	466(2)[109]	$[v(OsF_4) - v(SbF_4)] - [v(Sb'F_2) - v(SbF_2)]$	475(<1)[135]	473(<0.1)[168]	$v(SbF_0) - v(Sb'F_0)$
n.o.	385(14)[8]	410(8)[15]	$\delta(O_1OsO_2)$			
399(20), 396(24)	358(3)[3]	375(6)[1]	$\delta(O_2OsF_2) + \delta(F_1OsF_3)$			
380 sh, 377(45)	367(5)[17]	339(4)[5]	$\delta(O_1OsF_2) + \delta(F_3OsF_9)$			
368(24), 362(2)	315(4)[3]	332(3)[16]	$\delta(F_1OsF_4) + \rho_w(F_2OsF_3)$			
343(1)	324(3)[20]	304(2)[1]	$\begin{cases} \delta_{umb}(OsO_2F_1F_2F_3) + \rho_r(O_1OsF_4) + \\ \delta_{umb}(SbF_4F_5F_8F_9) \end{cases}$			
317 sh, 310(11), 302(11)	302(8)[1]	300(1)[35]	$[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$ coupled def.	347(3)[31]	298(<1)[27]	$v(SbF_9) + v(Sb'F_9)$
286(6)	286(2)[12]	290(1)[55]	$\delta(F_{13}Sb'F_{14}) - \delta(F_7SbF_9)$			
276(4) br	265(3)[42]	287(1)[11]	$\delta(F_{12}Sb'F_{14}) + \delta(F_9Sb'F_{11}) - \delta(F_9SbF_7)$	272(<1)[<0.1]	284(<0.1)[40]	$\begin{cases} \delta(SbF_{9}Sb') + \delta_{umb}(SbF_{4,6,7,8}) + \\ \delta_{umb}(Sb'F_{11,12,13,14}) \end{cases}$
n.o.	253(8)[13]	280(<1)[5]	$[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$ coupled def.			

# **Table 3.3**Raman Frequencies, Intensities, and Assignments for $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$ and Calculated Vibrational Frequencies<br/>and Assignments for $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$ and $Sb_2F_{11}^-$

264(7)	243(<1)[42]	276(2)[35]	$\rho_{4}(F_{2}OsF_{3}) + \delta(F_{4}SbF_{3}) - \delta(F_{11}SbF_{12})$	264(<0.1)[75]	283(<0.1)[77]	$\begin{cases} \rho_{*}(F_{5}SbF_{8}) + \rho_{*}(F_{5}SbF_{5}) + \rho_{*}(F_{5}Sb'F_{10}) \\ + \rho_{*}(F_{12}Sb'F_{13}) \end{cases}$
255(4)	256(8)[41]	264(1)[26]	$\delta(F_{12}Sb'F_{14}) - \delta(F_{13}Sb'F_{13}) + \rho(F_{2}Sb'F_{10})$	253(2)[8]	271(1)[<0.1]	$= \begin{cases} \delta(F_6 SbF_7) + \delta(F_4 SbF_5) + \delta(F_{13} SbF_{13}) - \\ \delta(F_{34} SbF_{12}) \end{cases}$
247 sh, 244(13)	245(12)[26]	264(<1)[31]	$\delta(F_{11}Sb'F_{12}F_{10})$	251(1)[2]	271(1)[<1]	$\begin{cases} \delta(F_6SbF_2) + \delta(F_4SbF_5) - \delta(F_{13}Sb'F_{11}) - \\ \delta(F_{14}SbF_{12}) \end{cases}$
239(4), 238(4)	234(3)[8]	259(1)[13]	$\rho_w(SbF_6F_8F_{13}) + \delta(F_7SbF_7)$	247(1)[10]	266(1)[2]	$\begin{cases} \delta_{unb}(SbF_{6,7,8}) + \delta_{unb}(Sb'F_{10,13,12}) - \\ [\delta(F_4SbF_7) + \delta(F_{13}Sb'F_{14})] \end{cases}$
n.o	268(2)[1]	248(1)[132]	$\begin{cases} \rho_1(F_5SbF_5) + \delta(F_6SbF_9) + \delta(F_6SbF_3) + \\ \delta_{100}(SbF_1,F_1,F_2,F_3,F_3) \end{cases}$	245(1)[43]	267(1)[<0.1]	$\delta_{urnb}(SbF_{4,5,8}) + \delta_{urnb}(SbF_{10,12,14})$
n.o	226(3)[55]	242(1)[40]		242(<1)[14]	257(<1)[22]	$\delta_{urrb}(SbF_{4,5,2}) - \delta_{urrb}(Sb'F_{10,12,14})$
n.o.	222(7)[88]	224(1)[76]	[OsO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>3</sub> ][Sb <sub>2</sub> F <sub>11</sub> ] coupled def.	233(<1)[12]	254(<0.1)[11]	$\begin{bmatrix} [\delta(F_{g}SbF_{g}) + \delta(F_{4}SbF_{g})] - [\delta(F_{g}Sb'F_{14}) + \\ \delta(F_{10}SbF_{11})] \end{bmatrix}$
228 (4), 220(8)	199(D[1]	220(1)[14]		223(<0.1)[192]	243(<0.1)[256]	$= \begin{cases} \rho_w(F_s SbF_5) + \rho_w(F_s SbF_2) + \rho_w(F_{11}Sb'F_{12}) \\ + \rho_w(F_{13}Sb'F_{14}) \end{cases}$
n.o. 204(5) 196(5) 190(2)	190(10)[17] 178(1)[3] 187(1)[6] 148(1)[1]	208(2)[14] 199(1)[4] 193(1)[9] 186(<1)[2]	$\delta(F_{10}Sb'F_{11}) - \delta(F_{10}Sb'F_{14})$ [OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}] coupled def.	193(1)[<1] 188(1)[1] 186(1)[2]	213(1)[<0.1] 212(1)[<0.1] 183(<1)[<1]	$ def. (Sb_2F_{11}) $
164(1)	186(9)[11]	167( <i)[8]< td=""><td><math display="block">\delta(F_4SbF_7) + \rho_7(F_4SbF_9) + \rho_7(F_5SbF_7)</math></td><td>157(&lt;1)[&lt;0.1]</td><td>174(&lt;0.1)[&lt;0.1]</td><td><math display="block">\begin{bmatrix} [\rho_{s}(F_{s}SbF_{2}) + \rho_{w}(F_{2}SbF_{10})] - \\ [\rho_{w}(F_{s}SbF_{2}) + \rho_{w}(F_{12}SbF_{12})] \end{bmatrix}</math></td></i)[8]<>	$\delta(F_4SbF_7) + \rho_7(F_4SbF_9) + \rho_7(F_5SbF_7)$	157(<1)[<0.1]	174(<0.1)[<0.1]	$\begin{bmatrix} [\rho_{s}(F_{s}SbF_{2}) + \rho_{w}(F_{2}SbF_{10})] - \\ [\rho_{w}(F_{s}SbF_{2}) + \rho_{w}(F_{12}SbF_{12})] \end{bmatrix}$
148(2) 137(3) n.o	156(1)[<1] 141(1)[2] 128(1)[1]	143(1)[<1] 128(<1)[<1] 125(<1)[2]	$OsO_2F_3^*$ def. mode $\rho_i(F_{11}Sb^*F_{13}) - \rho_i(F_{12}Sb^*F_{14})$ $Sb_2F_{11}^-$ coupled def.			
n.o.	119(<1)[3]	121(<0.1)[1]	$[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$ coupled def.	123(<0.1)[<1]	141(<0.1)[<0.1]	$ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} [\rho_{w}(F_{5}SbF_{1}) + \rho_{w}(F_{12}Sb'F_{13})] - \\ [\rho_{w}(F_{4}SbF_{6}) + \rho_{w}(F_{13}Sb'F_{12})] \end{array} \right. $
n.o.	110(<1)[1]	104(<1)[5]	$Sb_2F_{11}$ coupled def./torsion	120(<0.1)[<1]	141(<0.1)[<0.1]	$\begin{cases} [\rho_w(F_1SbF_1) + \rho_w(F_{11}SbF_{12})] - \\ [\rho_w(F_4SbF_6) + \rho_w(F_{12}SbF_{13})] \end{cases}$
n.o. n.o.	80(<1)[<1] 75(<1)[1]	98(<1)[1] 78(<1)[<0.1]	Sb <sub>2</sub> F <sub>11</sub> <sup>+</sup> coupled def. [OsO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>3</sub> ][Sb <sub>2</sub> F <sub>11</sub> ] coupled def.	110(<1)[<1]	118(1)[<1]	$\rho_{rost}$ (arcund Sb and Sb')
n.o.	45(1)[1]	60(<1)[1]	$\rho_{1}(F_{1}OsF_{2}) + \rho_{r}(O_{2}OsF_{3})$	96(<0.1)[<0.1]	104(<0.1)[<0.1]	
n.o. n.o.	41(<1)[<0.1] 89(<1)[<1]	53(<1)[<0.1] 43(<1)[1]	[OsO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>3</sub> ][Sb <sub>2</sub> F <sub>11</sub> ] coupled def.	87(<0.1)[<1] 57(<0.1)[<0.1]	103(<0.1)[<0.1] 18(<0.1)[<0.1]	ρ <sub>ursion</sub> (around Sb and Sb')
	69(<1)[1] 61(c1)[c1]	37(<1)[2]	$[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$ def.	23(<0.1)[<0.1]	13(<0.1)[<0.1]	a Carcund Sh and Sh'a
n.ö.	101(1)[<0.1]	30(<0.1)[<1]	$Sb_2F_{11}$ coupled def.	34(<0.1)[<0.1]	4(<0.1)[<0.1]	

<sup>*a*</sup> The Raman spectrum was recorded on a microcrystalline sample in a FEP sample tube at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation. The experimental Raman intensities (in parentheses) are relative intensities with the most intense band given a value of 100. The abbreviations denote shoulder (sh) and not observed (n.o.). <sup>*b*</sup> Values in parentheses denote calculated Raman intensities (amu Å<sup>-4</sup>) and values in square brackets denote calculated infrared intensities (km mol<sup>-1</sup>). <sup>*c*</sup> The symbols denote stretch (v), bend ( $\delta$ ), umbrella ( $\delta_{umb}$ ), and wag ( $\rho_w$ ). The abbreviation, def., denotes a deformation mode(s). <sup>*d*</sup> Assignments are based on the B3LYP structure; see Figure 3.4a for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*e*</sup> Assignments are based on the SVWN-optimized structure; see Figure 3.4c for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*f*</sup> SVWN/SDDall(-PP). <sup>*g*</sup> B3LYP/Stuttgart aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP). <sup>*h*</sup> B3LYP/aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP).

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calculations overestimated the Sb–F stretching frequencies by ca. 70 cm<sup>-1</sup>, whereas the frequencies calculated in the current study are overestimated by ca. 30 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

The vibrational modes (51 A) of the  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  ion pair corresponding to the gas-phase energy-minimized symmetry,  $C_1$ , are all predicted to be Raman and infrared active. It is apparent from Table 3.3 that the majority of the bands are split into two components. Consequently, a factor-group analysis was undertaken based on the crystal structure determination (see Section 3.2.2). The analysis (Table 3.4) correlated the gasphase symmetry of the ion pair  $(C_1)$  to its site symmetry  $(C_1)$  which, in turn, was correlated to the unit cell symmetry  $(C_i)$ . The factor-group analysis, however, revealed that the Raman bands of  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  are not expected to be split. X-ray powder diffraction patterns (Figure 3.3) recorded on the same sample confirmed that a single phase was present between the temperature at which the Raman spectrum was recorded (-150 °C) and the temperature at which the single-crystal X-ray data were collected (-173 °C). Moreover, the powder patterns recorded at -150 and -173 °C were in agreement with the powder pattern calculated from the single-crystal data. It may be concluded that the splitting does not arise from a phase transition in this temperature range. In addition to the centrosymmetric space group,  $P\overline{1}$ , the structure was solved in the P1 space group, which could account for the splittings in the Raman spectrum (Table 3.4), however, the refinement in this space group proved to be unstable, with the thermal parameters of many light atoms becoming non-positive when attempting to refine them anisotropically. Presently, the splittings of the Raman bands cannot be accounted for unless the unit cell is not truly centrosymmetric and the vibrational spectrum better

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# **Table 3.4.** Factor-Group Analyses for $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$ under the Space Groups $P\overline{1}$ and P1



<sup>*a*</sup> The crystallographic space group is  $P\overline{1}$  with Z = 2 structural units per unit cell.



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Figure 3.3. X-ray powder diffraction patterns of  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  recorded on a microcrystalline sample mounted in a glass capillary at -173 (upper trace) and -150 °C (middle trace) and the powder pattern generated from the crystal structure of  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  (bottom trace).

represents the true symmetry. Such a situation is illustrated by [H<sub>3</sub>O·2XeF<sub>2</sub>][AsF<sub>6</sub>].<sup>177</sup>

Ion-pair formation results in pseudo-octahedral coordination about the osmium atom. The bands at 938/941 and 995/997 cm<sup>-1</sup>, assigned to  $v(OsO_1) - v(OsO_2)$  and  $v(OsO_1) + v(OsO_2)$ , respectively, were previously observed at 940 and 996 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively, in frozen SbF<sub>5</sub> solution.<sup>22</sup> As in the case of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>,<sup>20</sup> the in-phase  $v(OsO_1) + v(OsO_2)$  mode is observed at higher frequency than the out-of-phase  $v(OsO_1)$  $- v(OsO_2)$  mode. In contrast with the coupled v(OsO) modes calculated at the B3LYP level, those calculated at the SVWN level are only weakly coupled and are better described as isolated  $v(OsO_1)$  and  $v(OsO_2)$  stretches at this level of theory.

The bands at 702/706/709 and 716/718 cm<sup>-1</sup>, previously assigned to  $Sb_nF_{5n+1}^{-1}$  modes<sup>22</sup> have been re-assigned to the in-phase  $v(OsF_1) + v(OsF_2) + v(OsF_3)$  and out-of-phase  $v(OsF_2) - v(OsF_3)$  stretches, respectively. Out-of-phase coupling of the  $v(OsF_2) + v(OsF_3)$  mode to  $v(OsF_1)$  gives rise to the  $v(OsF_1) - [v(OsF_2) + v(OsF_3)]$  mode at 638 cm<sup>-1</sup>. In general, the Os–O and Os–F stretching modes are in good agreement with those obtained for  $OsO_2F_3^+$  in frozen  $SbF_5$  solution, suggesting that the  $OsO_2F_3^+$  cation is fluorine bridged to the  $Sb_nF_{5n+1}^-$  anion and that Os(VIII) is six coordinate in the latter case.

Frequencies in the ranges 578–608 and 646–696 cm<sup>-1</sup> are assigned to the Sb–F stretches of Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>-</sup> and are in good agreement with those reported in the literature.<sup>72, 176, 178-180</sup> The prior solution Raman study<sup>22</sup> had assigned a very broad band at 522 cm<sup>-1</sup> to the out-of-phase stretching mode of the Os---F<sub>b</sub>---Sb fluorine bridge,  $v(OsF_b) - v(SbF_b)$ . In the present study, this band is resolved into two bands at 500 and 533 cm<sup>-1</sup> which have

been re-assigned. The splitting arises from in-phase and out-of-phase coupling of the outof-phase component of the Sb---F<sub>9</sub>---Sb' stretching mode of  $Sb_2F_{11}$ ,  $v(Sb'F_9) - v(SbF_9)$ , with  $v(OsF_4) - v(SbF_4)$ . These bridge mode frequencies are similar to the Os---F<sub>b</sub>---Os frequencies  $[\mu$ -F(*cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>][AsF<sub>6</sub>] out-of-phase stretching of and  $[\mu$ -F(cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>] (492 and 495 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively). In several prior studies of  $Sb_2F_{11}$  salts, the v(SbF<sub>9</sub>) – v(Sb'F<sub>9</sub>) bands were only observed in the infrared spectra of the Rh(CO<sub>4</sub>)<sup>+</sup> (489 cm<sup>-1</sup>), <sup>176</sup> Au(CO)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (503 cm<sup>-1</sup>), <sup>179</sup> and the Pt(CO)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> (502 cm<sup>-1</sup>)<sup>180</sup> salts, which are in good agreement with the out-of-phase mode assigned in the present study (500 cm<sup>-1</sup>). The low-frequency deformation modes (137-228 cm<sup>-1</sup>) consist of coupled cation and anion modes whose frequencies are also in good agreement with the calculated values.

## 3.2.4. Computational Results.

The energy-minimized geometries of  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  (*C*<sub>1</sub>),  $Sb_2F_{11}^-$  (*C*<sub>1</sub>),  $OsO_2F_3^+$ (*C*<sub>2 $\nu$ </sub>) (Figure 3.4), and  $[OsO_2F_3][SbF_6]$  (*C*<sub>1</sub>) (Table A2 and Figure A2) were obtained at the SVWN and B3LYP levels of theory and resulted in stationary points with all frequencies real. The  $OsO_2F_3^+$  cation has been previously calculated using NLDFT and LDFT methods<sup>22</sup> and the  $Sb_2F_{11}^-$  anion has been calculated at the B3LYP level with the 3-21G\* basis set.<sup>175</sup> For consistency and to enable comparisons to be made in the present study, all species have been calculated using more extensive basis sets and at the same levels of theory (see Section 2.13). All calculated  $OsO_2F_3^+$  bond lengths are shorter than those previously calculated and are in better agreement with the experimental values



Figure 3.4. Calculated SVWN/SDDall(-PP) gas-phase geometries for (a)  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}](C_1)$ , (b)  $OsO_2F_3^+(C_{2\nu})$ , and (c)  $Sb_2F_{11}^-(C_1)$ .

(Table 3.2). The frequencies calculated at the SVWN level provide slightly better agreement with experiment than at the B3LYP level, while the calculated geometries are in equally good agreement with experiment, therefore, only the SVWN values are referred to in the ensuing discussion.

#### **3.2.4.1. Calculated Geometries.**

The gas-phase geometry of  $OsO_2F_3^+$  is predicted to be trigonal bipyramidal with two axial fluorine atoms and two oxygen atoms and one fluorine atom in the equatorial plane (Figure 3.4b). The coordination sphere of osmium in the  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  ion pair is a distorted octahedron that results from a contact to the  $Sb_2F_{11}^-$  anion by means of an Os---F<sub>4</sub>–Sb bridge (Figure 3.4a). All of the calculated Os–O and Os–F bond lengths of the ion pair are elongated relative to those of the free cation as a result of electron density donation from the bridge fluorine, F<sub>4</sub>, to Os (Table 3.2). Although the cation of the ion pair and free cation have markedly different calculated geometries, the F<sub>2</sub>–Os–F<sub>3</sub> bond angles are bent away from O<sub>1</sub> and O<sub>2</sub> in both cases. The calculated ion-pair structure shows that the atoms in the equatorial plane,  $[O_2, F_3, F_1, F_2]$ , are displaced away from the axial oxygen (O<sub>1</sub>) towards the bridging fluorine atom (F<sub>4</sub>) in accordance with the crystal structure.

The calculated Os–O<sub>2</sub> (1.696 Å) and Os–O<sub>1</sub> (1.708 Å) bond lengths are in good agreement with the experimental values (1.654(4) and 1.765(4) Å, respectively). The greater difference observed in the crystal structure is likely the result of short O…F contacts between O(2) and F(7C)/F(10D) of other nearest neighbor anions in the unit cell.

The Os–F bond lengths of the ion pair are overestimated relative to the experimental values but reproduce the observed trends. Upon ion-pair formation, the Os–F<sub>1</sub> bond length is significantly elongated when compared with that of the free cation because the pseudo-octahedral geometry of Os(VIII) places F<sub>1</sub> trans to O<sub>2</sub>, whereas for the trigonal bipyramidal gas-phase geometry, F<sub>1</sub>, O<sub>1</sub>, and O<sub>2</sub> occupy the equatorial plane with F<sub>1</sub>-Os-O<sub>1,2</sub> angles of 125.7°. The Os–F<sub>2</sub> (1.835 Å) and Os–F<sub>3</sub> (1.852 Å) bond lengths are longer in the gas-phase ion pair as a result of coordination to and electron donation by the F(4) atom of Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>-</sup>. The Os–F<sub>2,3</sub> bond lengths are non-equivalent presumably because the F<sub>4</sub>---Os–F<sub>2</sub> (78.8°) angle is slightly more closed relative to the F<sub>4</sub>---Os–F<sub>3</sub> (83.7°) angle. The Os---F<sub>4</sub> distance is somewhat underestimated (2.089 Å) when compared with the experimental value (2.190(3) Å). The bond lengths of the Os----F<sub>4</sub>–Sb bridge are predicted to be similar, with a calculated Sb–F<sub>4</sub> bond length of 2.085 Å for the gas-phase ion pair, 1.958(3) Å for the ion-pair in the experimental structure, and 1.909 Å for the gas-phase Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>-</sup> anion.

The calculated Sb–F bond lengths of the ion pair are all slightly longer than their experimental values. The asymmetry of the experimental Sb---F<sub>9</sub>---Sb' bridge, Sb---F<sub>9</sub> (1.995(3) Å) and Sb'---F<sub>9</sub> (2.060(3) Å), is reproduced by the calculated Sb---F<sub>9</sub> (2.027 Å) and Sb'---F<sub>9</sub> (2.139 Å) bond lengths. When compared with the bond lengths of the free anion in the gas-phase, the Sb–F bond lengths of the ion pair are somewhat shorter because the net anion charge is diminished by bridge formation with the cation. The Sb---F bridge bond lengths of the gas-phase anion are symmetric (2.080 Å) and intermediate with respect to the calculated Sb---F<sub>9</sub>---Sb' bridge bond lengths of the ion pair are somewhat shorter because the net anion charge is diminished by bridge formation with the cation.

pair. The Sb---F<sub>9</sub>---Sb' bond angle of the ion pair is predicted to be significantly more closed (142.0°) than that in the crystal structure (170.0(2)°), which is likely a consequence of close packing in the crystal lattice (vide supra). The bridge angle of the free anion is more closed (133.7°) than that of the ion pair (142.0°) at the SVWN level, while at the B3LYP level, the free anion bond angle is somewhat more open (161.5°) when compared with that of the ion pair (158.2°).

Previous quantum-chemical calculations of the free  $Sb_2F_{11}^{-}$  anion constrained the symmetry to  $D_{4h}$  with an Sb---F---Sb angle of 180° and an eclipsed conformation for the two SbF<sub>4</sub>-planes.<sup>175</sup> In the current study, the use of  $C_1$  as a starting symmetry allowed the Sb---F---Sb angle to bend and the SbF<sub>4</sub>-planes to achieve a staggered conformation. Both structural changes led to better agreement between the observed and calculated bond lengths, angles, and vibrational frequencies. The larger Sb(1)---F(9)---Sb(2) angle in the crystal structure (170.0 (2)°) compared to the calculated gas-phase value (133.7)° is likely a consequence of interactions with the cation that accompany cubic close packing, which is indicative of the near-linear Sb(1)---F(9)---Sb(2) angle. The low frequency calculated for the Sb---F---Sb bend (23 cm<sup>-1</sup>) underscores the deformability of this angle, and its susceptibility to crystal packing.

### 3.2.4.2. Charges, Valencies, and Bond Orders.

Natural bond orbital (NBO)<sup>181-184</sup> analyses were carried out for the SVWN- and B3LYP-optimized gas-phase structures of  $OsO_2F_3^+$ ,  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$ ,  $Sb_2F_{11}^-$  (Table 3.5), and  $[OsO_2F_3][SbF_6]$  (Table A3).

			Charges			
	OsO <sub>2</sub> I	$F_3^+(C_{2\nu})$	$[OsO_{7}F_{3}]$	$Sb_{2}F_{11}](C_{1})$	$\_$ Sb <sub>2</sub> F <sub>1</sub>	$1^{-}(C_{1})$
Atom	SVWN	<u>B3LYP</u>	SVWN	B3LYP	SVWN	B3LYP
Os	2.12	2.43	1.99	2.31		
$O_1$	-0.16	0.21	-0.21	-0.23		
$O_2$	-0.16	-0.21	-0.18	-0.20		
Fı	-0.29	-0.36	-0.34	-0.41		
$F_2$	-0.25	-0.33	-0.29	-0.34		
$F_3$	-0.25	-0.33	-0.32	-0.38		
F4			-0.58	-0.62	-0.64	0.64
Sb			3.08	3.07	3.08	3.06
$F_5$			-0.61	-0.61	-0.64	-0.64
$F_6$			-0.61	-0.61	-0.65	-0.64
F <sub>7</sub>			-0.60	-0.60	-0.65	-0.64
$F_8$			-0.62	-0.62	-0.66	-0.66
F9			-0.67	-0.66	-0.66	-0.67
Sb'			3.08	3.05	3.08	3.06
$\mathbf{F}_{10}$			0.63	-0.63	-0.66	0.66
$\mathbf{F}_{11}$			-0.62	-0.62	-0.65	-0.64
$\mathbf{F}_{12}$			-0.62	-0.62	-0.64	-0.64
F <sub>13</sub>			-0.63	-0.65	-0.65	-0.64
$F_{14}$			-0.62	-0.63	-0.64	0.64

Table 3.5.	Natural Bond Orbital (NBO) Valencies, Bond Orders, and NPA Charges for
	$OsO_2F_3^+$ , $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$ , and $Sb_2F_{11}^-$

			Valencies			
	OsO <sub>2</sub> ]	$F_{3}^{+}(C_{2\nu})$	$[OsO_2F_3]$	$\overline{Sb_{2}F_{11}}(C_{1})$	$\_$ Sb <sub>2</sub> F <sub>1</sub>	$(C_1)$
Atom	SVWN	B3LYP	SVWN	B3LYP	SVWN	B3LYP
Os	3.33	3.26	3.52	3.55		
$O_1$	0.95	0.96	0.95	0.96		
$O_2$	0.95	0.96	0.96	0.94		
$F_1$	0.54	0.52	0.50	0.47		
$F_2$	0.55	0.50	0.56	0.52		
F <sub>3</sub>	0.55	0.50	0.53	0.50		
F4			0.51	0.49	0.38	0.32
Sb			2.40	2.61	2.49	2.14
F <sub>5</sub>			0.38	0.43	0.38	0.32
$F_6$			0.40	0.45	0.38	0.32
$\mathbf{F}_{7}$			0.39	0.44	0.38	0.32
$F_8$			0.39	0.44	0.38	0.33
F <sub>9</sub>			0.43	0.52	0.46	0.41
Sb'			2.45	2.62	2.49	2.14
$F_{10}$			0.40	0.44	0.38	0.33
$F_{11}$			0.39	0.42	0.38	0.32
$F_{12}$			0.40	0.42	0.38	0.32
F <sub>13</sub>			0.37	0.38	0.38	0.32
$\mathbf{F}_{14}$			0.38	0.41	0.38	0.32

Table 3.5. (Continued ...)

		7 + (0)	Bond Orders			- (0)
		$(C_{2\nu})$	$[OsO_2F_3]$	$SD_2F_{11}$ (C <sub>1</sub> )	$SO_2F_{11}(C_1)$	
Bond	SVWN	B3LYP	SVWN_	B3LYP	<u>SVWN</u>	B3LYP
$Os-O_1$	0.89	0.89	0.90	0.92		
Os–O <sub>2</sub>	0.89	0.89	0.88	0.91		
Os–F1	0.51	0.48	0.48	0.46		
Os-F <sub>2</sub>	0.52	0.49	0.52	0.51		
Os-F <sub>3</sub>	0.52	0.49	0.50	0.49		
OsF4			0.27	0.27		
Sb–F <sub>4</sub>			0.26	0.26	0.44	0.38
Sb–F <sub>5</sub>			0.44	0.49	0.44	0.38
Sb-F <sub>6</sub>			0.45	0.50	0.44	0.38
Sb–F7			0.45	0.50	0.44	0.38
Sb–F <sub>8</sub>			0.44	0.49	0.43	0.38
SbF9			0.39	0.37	0.27	0.24
Sb'F9			0.22	0.22	0.27	0.24
Sb'-F <sub>10</sub>			0.45	0.49	0.43	0.38
Sb'-F <sub>11</sub>			0.46	0.49	0.44	0.38
Sb'F <sub>12</sub>			0.46	0.49	0.44	0.38
Sb'-F <sub>13</sub>			0.39	0.46	0.44	0.38
$Sb'-F_{14}$			0.44	0.48	0.44	0.38

The NBO analyses give NPA (Natural Population Analysis) charges of 2.12 and 1.99 for Os in  $OsO_2F_3^+$  and  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$ , respectively, and 3.08 for Sb in  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  and  $Sb_2F_{11}^-$ . The average NPA charges of the oxygen ligands are significantly less negative than those of the fluorine ligands in both  $OsO_2F_3^+$  and the  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  ion pair, consistent with significant charge transfer from the filled oxygen p orbitals into the empty d orbitals of osmium. The fluorine atom charges of  $Sb_2F_{11}^-$  are more negative than those of  $OsO_2F_3^+$ . The negative charge on  $F_4$  is less than those of the remaining fluorine ligands bonded to Sb because  $F_4$  is bridged to the highly electronegative Os(VIII) center. Overall, the charges are indicative of polar covalent bonds in all three species, with the most polar bonds occurring for the Sb–F and Sb–-F bonds.

The average Os–O bond orders (0.89) are approximately double those of the average Os–F (0.50) bond orders, consistent with the formal double bond characters of the Os–O bonds which are consistent with the corresponding O and F valencies. The bond orders of Os---F<sub>4</sub> (0.27) and Sb---F<sub>4</sub> (0.26) in the ion pair are similar and indicate a strongly associated ion pair. The anion bridge bonds are asymmetric in the crystal structure, which is reflected in the calculated bond orders, Sb---F<sub>9</sub> (0.39) and Sb'---F<sub>9</sub> (0.22). The higher Sb---F<sub>9</sub> bond order results from electron density withdrawal from Sb by Os through the bridging F<sub>4</sub> atom (vide supra) which strengthens the Sb---F<sub>9</sub> bond and weakens the Sb'---F<sub>9</sub> bond, providing an Sb'-F<sub>9</sub> bond order that is half of the average terminal Sb-F and Sb'-F bond orders (0.45).

# 3.2.4.3. Thermochemistries of $[OsO_2F_3][PnF_6]$ , $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$ , $[\mu$ -F(OsO\_2F\_3)\_2][PnF\_6], and $[\mu$ -F(OsO\_2F\_3)\_2][Sb\_2F\_{11}] (Pn = As, Sb).

Attempts to synthesize  $[OsO_2F_3][SbF_6]$  from *cis*-OsO\_2F<sub>4</sub> and SbF<sub>5</sub> under various conditions have proven unsuccessful (see Synthesis of  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  and Attempted Synthesis of  $[OsO_2F_3][SbF_6]$ ), resulting in the formation of either  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  or  $[\mu$ -F(OsO\_2F\_3)\_2][Sb\_2F\_{11}]. To account for the preferential formation of Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>-</sup> salts, quantum-chemical calculations and volume-based lattice energies<sup>185, 186</sup> were used in conjunction with known thermodynamic quantities to estimate the standard enthalpies listed in Scheme 3.1.

The standard enthalpies were estimated by analyzing the corresponding Born-Haber cycles as exemplified for  $\Delta H^{\circ}_{2}$  in Scheme 3.2. The enthalpies of fluoride ion abstraction from *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> ( $\Delta H^{\circ}_{-F^{-}}$ ), fluoride ion attachment ( $\Delta H^{\circ}_{+F^{-}}$ ) to the Lewis acids MF<sub>5</sub> (M = Sb or As), association of the SbF<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup> ion with SbF<sub>5</sub> ( $\Delta H^{\circ}_{+Sb_2F_{11}}$ ), and association of the OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> cation with *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> ( $\Delta H^{\circ}_{+Os_2O_4F_7^{-}}$ ) were calculated at the SVWN and B3LYP (Table 3.6) levels of theory. The SVWN and B3LYP values differ, but follow the same trends, with the B3LYP values expected to give more reliable energies.<sup>187</sup> Consequently, only the B3LYP values are referred to in the ensuing discussion.

The lattice enthalpies of the  $OsO_2F_3^+$  and  $\mu$ -F(OsO\_2F\_3)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> salts (Table 3.7) were estimated by use of the volume-based method of Bartlett et al.<sup>188</sup> as generalized by Jenkins et al.<sup>185, 186</sup> in eq 3.6, where *R* is the gas constant (8.314 J K<sup>-1</sup> mol<sup>-1</sup>),  $V_m$  is the

# Scheme 3.1. Summary of Reactions for Which Standard Enthalpies Have Been Calculated.



Scheme 3.2. Thermochemical cycle describing the formation of  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$ .

<b>Table 3.6.</b>	<b>Jas-Phase Reaction Enthalpies for Fluoride Ion Transfer Reactions Involving</b>
	cis-OsO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub> , SbF <sub>5</sub> , and AsF <sub>5</sub>

$\Delta H^{\rm o}  ({\rm kJ}  {\rm mol}^{-1})$		
	SVWN <sup>a</sup>	B3LYP <sup>b</sup>
$OsO_2F_{4(g)} \longrightarrow OsO_2F_{3(g)}^+ + F_{(g)}^-$	699	918
$OsO_2F_{4(g)} + OsO_2F_{3(g)}^+ \longrightarrow \mu - F(OsO_2F_3)_2^+_{(g)}$	-182	-113
$SbF_{5(g)} + F_{(g)} \longrightarrow SbF_{6(g)}$	-571	-464
$SbF_{5(g)} + SbF_{6(g)} \longrightarrow Sb_2F_{11(g)}$	-522	-132
$AsF_{5(g)} + F^{-}_{(g)} \longrightarrow AsF_{6}^{-}_{(g)}$	-190	-406

<sup>*a*</sup> Zero point energy-corrected enthalpies calculated using the SDDall basis set augmented for F, O, and Sb with two d-type polarization functions. <sup>*b*</sup> Zero point energy-corrected enthalpies calculated using the Stuttgart basis set with the f functional for Os and the augcc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets were used for all other atoms.

<b>Table 3.7.</b>	Estimated	Volumes	and	Lattice	Enthalpies	of Salts	Containing	the	$OsO_2F_3^+$
	and $\mu$ -F(Os	$sO_2F_3)_2^+$ (	Catio	ns					

	Salt	$V_m (\mathrm{nm}^3)^{\mathrm{a}}$	$\Delta H_{\rm L}  ({\rm kJ}  {\rm mol}^{-1})^{\rm b}$
$\Delta H_{L1}$	$[OsO_2F_3][SbF_6]$	0.1627	538.5
$\Delta H_{L2}$	$[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$	0.26870(2)	472.3
$\Delta H_{L3}$	$[\mu-F(OsO_2F_3)_2][SbF_6]$	0.2817	466.6
$\Delta H_{ m L4}$	$[\mu - F(OsO_2F_3)_2][Sb_2F_{11}]$	0.3877(2)	430.5
$\Delta H_{L5}$	$[OsO_2F_3][AsF_6]$	0.1517	548.6
$\Delta H_{ m L6}$	$[\mu - F(OsO_2F_3)_2][AsF_6]$	0.2707	471.4

<sup>*a*</sup> The formula unit volumes,  $V_m$ , for  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  (0.26870(2) nm<sup>3</sup>) and  $[\mu$ -F(OsO\_2F\_3)\_2][Sb\_2F\_{11}] (0.3877(2) nm<sup>3</sup>)<sup>22</sup> were obtained from their crystallographic unit cells at -173 °C. The volumes of SbF<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup> (0.121(12) nm<sup>3</sup>) and AsF<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup> (0.110(7) nm<sup>3</sup>) were obtained from Ref 185 and the volume of Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>-</sup> (0.227 nm<sup>3</sup>) was obtained from ref MG-031. The volumes of OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> (0.0417 nm<sup>3</sup>) and  $\mu$ -(OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (0.1607 nm<sup>3</sup>) were estimated by subtraction of the SbF<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup> and Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>-</sup> anion volumes, respectively, from  $V_m$ . The  $V_m$  values for the [OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>][SbF<sub>6</sub>], [ $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>][SbF<sub>6</sub>], [OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>][AsF<sub>6</sub>], and [ $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>][AsF<sub>6</sub>] salts were estimated from the sums of the respective cation and anion volumes. <sup>*b*</sup> The lattice enthalpies ( $\Delta H_L$ ) were calculated from eq 3.8 as described in Ref 186.

$$\Delta H_{\rm L} = 2I \left( \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt[3]{V_{\rm m}}} + \beta \right) + pRT$$
(3.6)

volume of the salt, *I* is the ionicity of the salt (1), and  $\alpha$  (117.3 mm kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>),  $\beta$  (51.9 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>), and *p* (2) depend on the nature of the salt. In this formalism,  $\Delta H_{\rm L}$ , the lattice enthalpy, is defined as the energy required to break apart the crystal lattice and therefore has a positive value. The determination of the enthalpy of vaporization of SbF<sub>5</sub> ( $\Delta H^{0}_{\rm vap}$ ) is complicated by the polymeric nature of liquid SbF<sub>5</sub> and has been previously estimated to be 30.9 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>.<sup>189-193</sup> The determination of the enthalpy of sublimation of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> ( $\Delta H^{0}_{\rm sub}$ ) is prevented because *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> decomposes near its melting point (90 °C).<sup>20</sup> Consequently, enthalpies of reaction,  $\Delta H^{0}$ , have been calculated incorporating values for all components of their Born-Haber cycles except  $\Delta H^{0}_{\rm sub}$  of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> (Table 3.8).

The enthalpies of reaction for the formation of  $OsO_2F_3^+$  and  $\mu$ -F(OsO\_2F\_3)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> salts can be calculated using thermochemical cycles similar to that given in Scheme 3.2 and are summarized by eq 3.7. Because  $\Delta H^o_{sub}$  of *cis*-OsO\_2F\_4 is unknown, direct comparisons

$$\Delta H^{o}_{2} = 2\Delta H^{o}_{vap} + \Delta H^{o}_{sub} + \Delta H^{o}_{-F^{-}} + \Delta H^{o}_{+F^{-}} + \Delta H^{o}_{+SbF^{-}_{6}} - \Delta H_{L2}$$
(3.7)

of the reaction enthalpies for a pair of reactions involving different molar amounts of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> in their reactions are not possible. For a pair of reactions having equimolar amounts of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> in common as a reactant, taking the difference in their reaction enthalpies leads to cancellation of the  $\Delta H^{o}_{sub}$  term and to the difference in their reaction enthalpies (Table 3.9).

<b>Table 3.8.</b>	. Reaction Enthalpies for the Formation of the $AsF_6^-$ , $SbF_6^-$ , and $Sb_2F_{11}^-$ Sa	lts
	of $OsO_2F_3^+$ and $\mu$ -F( $OsO_2F_3$ ) <sub>2</sub> <sup>+</sup>	

Reaction Enthalpies <sup>a</sup>	$\mathbf{SVWN}^{b}$	$B3LYP^b$
$\Delta H^{o}{}_{1}$	$\Delta H_{\rm sub} - 379$	$\Delta H_{\rm sub} - 54.0$
$\Delta H^{o}{}_{2}$	$\Delta H_{\rm sub} - 804$	$\Delta H_{\rm sub} - 89.0$
$\Delta H^{\rm o}{}_3$	$2\Delta H_{\rm sub} - 490$	$2\Delta H_{\rm sub} - 95.0$
$\Delta H^{\rm o}{}_4$	$2\Delta H_{sub} - 944$	$2\Delta H_{\rm sub} - 160$
$\Delta H^{\rm o}{}_5$	$\Delta H_{\rm sub} - 39.0$	$\Delta H_{\rm sub} - 37.3$
$\Delta H^{\rm o}{}_6$	$2\Delta H_{\rm sub} - 144$	$2\Delta H_{\rm sub} - 73.0$
$\Delta H^{\rm o}{}_7$	-185	-52.1

<sup>*a*</sup> See Scheme 3.1 for the reaction details. <sup>*b*</sup> Values are in kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>.

**Table 3.9.** Comparisons of  $\Delta H^{\circ}$  Values for Reactions that Lead to  $OsO_2F_3^+$  and  $\mu$ -F(OsO\_2F\_3)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> Salt Formation

	$\Delta(\Delta H^{ m o})$		
Standard Enthalpy Difference <sup>a</sup>	SVWN <sup>b</sup>	B3LYP <sup>b</sup>	
$\Delta H^{o}_{2} - \Delta H^{o}_{1}$	-424	-35.0	
$\Delta H^{o}_{1} - \Delta H^{o}_{5}$	-340	-16.7	
$\Delta H^{o}_{2} - \Delta H^{o}_{5}$	-765	-51.7	
$\Delta H^{0}{}_{4} - \Delta H^{0}{}_{3}$	-454	-65.1	
$\Delta H^{0}{}_{3} - \Delta H^{0}{}_{6}$	-346	-22.0	
$\Delta H^{o}{}_{4} - \Delta H^{o}{}_{6}$	-800	-87.1	

<sup>*a*</sup> See Scheme 3.1 for the reaction details. <sup>*b*</sup> Values are in kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>

Examination of Table 3.9 reveals that formation of  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  and  $[\mu$ -F(OsO\_2F\_3)\_2][Sb\_2F\_{11}] are favored relative to  $[OsO_2F_3][SbF_6]$  (-35.0 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>) and  $[\mu$ -F(OsO\_2F\_3)\_2][SbF\_6] (-65.1 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>), in accordance with one's ability to isolate stable  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  and  $[\mu$ -F(OsO\_2F\_3)\_2][Sb\_2F\_{11}]^{22} salts and inability to form the  $[OsO_2F_3][SbF_6]$  and  $[\mu$ -F(OsO\_2F\_3)\_2][SbF\_6] salts.

The standard enthalpies of reaction leading to the formation of the AsF<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup> salts of OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> and  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ( $\Delta H^{0}_{5}$  and  $\Delta H^{0}_{6}$ , respectively) are less favorable when compared with their SbF<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup> and Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>-</sup> analogues (Table 3.9). Direct comparisons of the standard enthalpies for the reactions of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> and AsF<sub>5</sub> that lead to the AsF<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup> salts of OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> and  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, however, are also not possible because  $\Delta H^{0}_{sub}$  of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> is unknown. Although [OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>][AsF<sub>6</sub>] is presently unknown, [ $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>][AsF<sub>6</sub>] has been isolated and characterized by low-temperature Raman spectroscopy.<sup>22</sup> This salt has a significant AsF<sub>5</sub> dissociation vapor pressure (150 Torr, 23 °C) in accordance with its less negative enthalpy of reaction relative to those of the SbF<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup> and Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>-</sup> analogues (Table 3.9).

Because an explicit comparison of the enthalpies of reaction for the formation of  $[OsO_2F_3][SbF_6]$  and  $[\mu$ -F(OsO\_2F\_3)\_2][Sb\_2F\_{11}] is not possible, an alternative thermochemical cycle was considered (Scheme 3.3) that allowed the enthalpy for the interconversion of  $[OsO_2F_3][SbF_6]$  and  $[\mu$ -F(OsO\_2F\_3)\_2][Sb\_2F\_{11}],  $\Delta H^o_7$  (eq 3.8), to be estimated. The  $\Delta H^o_7$  value (-52.1 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>) indicates that formation of  $[\mu$ -F(OsO\_2F\_3)\_2][Sb\_2F\_{11}] from  $[OsO_2F_3][SbF_6]$  is also an exothermic process, again
$$\Delta H^{o}_{7} = 2\Delta H_{L1} + \Delta H^{o}_{+OSO_{2}F_{3}^{*}} + \Delta H^{o}_{+SbF_{6}^{-}} - (\Delta H^{o}_{-F^{-}} + \Delta H^{o}_{+F^{-}} + \Delta H_{L4})$$
(3.8)

underscoring why all attempts to synthesize  $[OsO_2F_3][SbF_6]$  have led to  $[\mu$ -F(OsO\_2F\_3)\_2][Sb\_2F\_{11}] as the only isolable product.

$$2OsO_{2}F_{3}^{+}{}_{(g)} + F_{-(g)}^{-} + SbF_{5(g)} + SbF_{6}^{-}{}_{(g)} \xrightarrow{-\Delta H^{2}_{-F^{+}}} cis - OsO_{2}F_{4(g)} + OsO_{2}F_{3}^{+}{}_{(g)} + SbF_{6}^{-}{}_{(g)} + SbF_{5(g)} \xrightarrow{-\Delta H^{2}_{-F^{+}}} dAH^{2}{}_{+Sb,F_{n}} \xrightarrow{-\Delta H^{2}_{+F^{+}}} dAH^{2}{}_{+Sb,F_{n}} \xrightarrow{-\Delta H^{2}_{+F^{+}}} dAH^{2}{}_{+Sb,F_{n}} \xrightarrow{-\Delta H^{2}_{+F^{+}}} aBB_{2}F_{11}^{-}{}_{(g)} \xrightarrow{-\Delta H^{2}_{+F^{+}}} aBB_{2}F_{1}^{-}{}_{(g)} \xrightarrow{-\Delta H^{2}_{+F^{+}}} aBB_{2}F_{2}^{-}{}_{(g)} \xrightarrow{-\Delta$$

# Scheme 3.3. Thermochemical cycle describing the conversion of $[OsO_2F_3][SbF_6]$ to $[\mu$ -F(OsO\_2F\_3)\_2][Sb\_2F\_{11}].

A method for estimating the absolute standard entropy of a salt from its formula unit volume has been reported by Jenkins and Glasser (eq 3.9), where k is 1360 J K<sup>-1</sup> mol<sup>-1</sup> nm<sup>-3</sup> and c is 15 JK<sup>-1</sup> mol<sup>-1.194</sup> The entropies calculated by this method for  $[OsO_2F_3][SbF_6]$  and

$$S^{0}([Os_{n}O_{2n}F_{4n-1}][Sb_{n}F_{5n+1}]) = kV_{m} + c$$
(3.9)

 $[\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>] are 236 and 542 JK<sup>-1</sup> mol<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. The estimated  $\Delta S^{\circ}$  for the conversion of [OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>][SbF<sub>6</sub>] to  $[\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>] (eq 3.10) is 69.7 JK<sup>-1</sup> mol<sup>-1</sup>, leading to a  $\Delta G^{\circ}$  value (eq 3.11) of -206 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup> at the SVWN level and -72.8 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup> at the B3LYP level. Gibbs free energies for the remaining reaction pairs in Table 3.9 cannot

$$2[OsO_{2}F_{3}][SbF_{6}]_{(s)} \longrightarrow [\mu - (OsO_{2}F_{3})_{2}][Sb_{2}F_{11}]_{(s)}$$
(3.10)

$$\Delta G^{\rm o} = \Delta H^{\rm o} - T \Delta S^{\rm o} \tag{3.11}$$

be evaluated because  $S^{\circ}(\text{SbF}_{5(1)})$  is unknown. The only values available are those for the gas-phase monomer (353 JK<sup>-1</sup> mol<sup>-1</sup>)<sup>195</sup> and the gas-phase tetramer (-35.5 JK<sup>-1</sup> mol<sup>-1</sup>).<sup>192</sup>

#### 3.3. Conclusions

The  $OsO_2F_3^+$  cation, previously observed in SbF<sub>5</sub> solution by <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectroscopy, has been fully structurally characterized in the solid state as its  $Sb_2F_{11}$  salt. The  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  structural unit is an ion pair in which a *cis*-dioxo  $OsO_2F_3^+$  cation is fluorine bridged to an  $Sb_2F_{11}$  anion, resulting in a pseudo-octahedral coordination sphere for Os(VIII). The Raman spectrum of the  $Sb_2F_{11}$  salt has been fully assigned based on the calculated vibrational frequencies of the gas-phase  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  ion pair. The gas-phase geometry and vibrational frequencies of  $Sb_2F_{11}^{-}$  are in good agreement with the anion in  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$ . The calculated vibrational frequencies of  $Sb_2F_{11}^{-}$  are in better agreement with experiment than those previously reported, and provide more reliable vibrational assignments. Attempts to prepare [OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>][SbF<sub>6</sub>] were unsuccessful and only resulted in the isolation of  $[\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>]. Thermochemical calculations demonstrate that the standard enthalpies of reaction that lead to the  $Sb_2F_{11}$ salts of  $OsO_2F_3^+$  and  $\mu$ -F( $OsO_2F_3$ )<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> are favored over the AsF<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup> and SbF<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup> salts, in accordance with failures to form  $[OsO_2F_3][SbF_6]$  and  $[\mu$ -F(OsO\_2F\_3)\_2][SbF\_6] in the present study.

#### **CHAPTER 4**

# FLUORIDE ION ACCEPTOR PROPERTIES OF *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>; SYNTHESIS, RAMAN AND NMR SPECTROSCOPIC STUDY OF OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup>

#### 4.1. Introduction

Presently, two oxide fluorides of Os(VIII) are known, namely, fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub><sup>11</sup> and cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>.<sup>20</sup> In the solid state, fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> exists as a fluorine bridged polymer<sup>11</sup> or dimer.<sup>18</sup> For both fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> and cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>, the geometry at the Os atom is pseudo-octahedral and the oxygen atoms are cis to one another. The cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> molecule has been extensively characterized by <sup>19</sup>F NMR and electron diffraction.<sup>20</sup> Recently, the *cis*-dioxo geometry was also confirmed in the solid state by single-crystal X-ray diffraction (see Chapter 5).

Transition metal oxide fluorides in their highest oxidation states show a preference for a *cis*-dioxo arrangement which is well documented for *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>,<sup>20</sup> *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>+,139</sup> *cis*-F(*cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+,22</sup> *cis*-MoO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>2</sub>·2THF (THF = tetrahydrofuran),<sup>44</sup> *cis*-TcO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>-,47</sup> *cis*-TcO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>,<sup>46</sup> *cis*-ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>,<sup>45</sup> *cis*-ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>-,45</sup>  $\mu$ -F(*cis*-ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-,45</sup> and *cis*-Re<sub>3</sub>O<sub>6</sub>F<sub>10</sub><sup>-,45</sup> This preference may be accounted for in terms of d-orbital participation and arises because the d<sub>12g</sub> orbitals of the d<sup>0</sup> transition metal have the correct symmetry to overlap with the p orbitals of oxygen, whereas the *trans*-dioxo isomer has only one p orbital per oxygen that has the correct symmetry to overlap with a single d<sub>12g</sub> orbital of the metal, causing the energies of the bonding d $\pi$ -p $\pi$  orbitals of the *trans*-isomer to be higher in energy that those of the *cis*-isomer.<sup>139</sup>

Preliminary work from this laboratory investigated the fluoride ion acceptor properties of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>.<sup>28</sup> The Cs<sup>+</sup>, N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>, and NO<sup>+</sup> salts of OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> were studied by <sup>19</sup>F NMR and Raman spectroscopy. Based on the AX<sub>4</sub> coupling patterns observed in the <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra, it was postulated that the anion observed was OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup>, and the geometry was based on a monocapped trigonal prism (structure I) in which four fluorine



atoms occupy a square face, the oxygen atoms are *cis* to one another and occupy an edge, and the unique fluorine atom caps the square face of the prism. The chemical shifts of  $OsO_2F_5^-$  were shown to have a large solvent dependence which was not extensively studied. However, each salt was characterized in a single solvent ( $Cs^+$  in HF; N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> in CH<sub>3</sub>CN; and NO<sup>+</sup> in FNO) preventing any conclusions on the solvent dependency of the chemical shift to be drawn. The Raman spectra of the  $Cs^+$ , N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>, and NO<sup>+</sup> salts of what was assumed to be  $OsO_2F_5^-$  were reported, with only preliminary assignments based on the frequency trends observed for other Os(VIII) oxide fluorides. A complete assignment of the vibrational modes was not possible at the time because the energy minimized geometry and vibrational frequencies had not been calculated, and therefore the solid-state geometry of  $OsO_2F_5^-$  could not be unambiguously determined. The previous study also was not able to unambiguously discount the presence of  $OsOF_5^$ rather than  $OsO_2F_5^-$ , which is also expected to give an  $AX_4$  spin-coupling pattern in the <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum. The present work details the further characterization, by <sup>19</sup>F NMR and Raman spectroscopy, of the alleged  $OsO_2F_5^-$  anion, which if correctly identified, would provide the first example of an oxide fluoride anion derived from *cis*-OsO\_2F\_4. Over the course of this work, the synthesis of the  $OsOF_5^-$  anion was also attempted in order to distinguish between  $OsO_2F_5^-$  and  $OsOF_5^-$ . An extensive computational study was carried out to assign the Raman and NMR spectra of the  $OsO_2F_5^-$  anion based on the three possible seven-coordinate isomers predicted by the VSEPR rules, namely, the monocapped octahedron (MCO), monocapped trigonal prism (MCTP), and the pentagonal bipyramid (*cis-* and *trans-*PBP).

#### 4.2. Results and Discussion

## 4.2.1. Synthesis of $[M][OsO_2F_5]$ (M = Cs<sup>+</sup>, N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>, NO<sup>+</sup>)

The reaction of an equimolar amount of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> with [Cs][F] was carried out at a temperature (90 °C) that was at the melting point of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> but lower than previously reported (150 °C),<sup>28</sup> yielding an orange powder presumed to have the formulation, [Cs][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>] (eq 4.1). The Raman spectrum was in agreement with the previously reported spectrum.<sup>28</sup>

$$cis$$
-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> + [Cs][F]  $\xrightarrow{90 \,^{\circ}\text{C}}$  [Cs][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>] (4.1)

In a separate synthesis,  $[N(CH_3)_4][F]$  was reacted with an equimolar amount of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> in FNO solvent at -78 °C (eq 4.2) to produce an orange product formulated as

$$OsO_2F_4 + [N(CH_3)_4][F] \xrightarrow{FNO}{-78 \, {}^{\circ}C} > [N(CH_3)_4][OsO_2F_5]$$
 (4.2)

 $[N(CH_3)_4][OsO_2F_5]$ . The Raman spectrum of the product was shown to be in agreement with that reported previously.<sup>28</sup> Although the reaction was highly exothermic, the FNO solvent served to dissipate the heat of reaction. Prior attempts to prepare  $[N(CH_3)_4][OsO_2F_5]$  in HF solution were unsuccessful because immediate decomposition occurred, which was attributed to the exothermic nature of the reaction and the apparent inability of HF solvent to effectively dissipate the heat of reaction.<sup>28</sup>

Attempts to grow crystals of  $[Cs][OsO_2F_5]$  and  $[N(CH_3)_4][OsO_2F_5]$  from their respective CH<sub>3</sub>CN solutions did not yield crystalline salts of the OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> anion, but crystals of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN], *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF, and *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] (eq 4.3) instead, indirectly confirming that OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> had been formed. For a full discussion of crystal growth procedures and structures, see Chapter 5.

$$[M][OsO_2F_5] + CH_3CN \xrightarrow{CH_3CN} cis-OsO_2F_4 + [M][CH_2CN] + HF \quad (4.3)$$
$$(M = Cs^+, N(CH_3)_4^+)$$

In FNO solvent, cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> forms a deep red solution that exists in equilibrium with [NO][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>] (eq 4.4). Attempts to isolate [NO][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>] were, however, cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> + FNO  $\xrightarrow{-78 \, ^{\circ}\text{C}}_{FNO}$  [NO][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>] (4.4)

unsuccessful because removal of FNO at -78 °C resulted in dissociation of [NO][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>] back to FNO and *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>. Prior attempts to prepare [NO<sub>2</sub>][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>] from *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> and FNO<sub>2</sub> did not lead to a reaction at either -78 (liquid) or 55 °C (under *ca*. 6 atm of FNO<sub>2</sub> gas).<sup>28</sup> The N–F bond of FNO is more polar than in FNO<sub>2</sub> and is likely the reason for the lack of reactivity of FNO<sub>2</sub>. In addition, prior attempts to react *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> and

 $[N(CH_3)_4][F]$  in CHF<sub>3</sub> at -100 °C also resulted in no reaction because of the low solubility of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> in CHF<sub>3</sub>.<sup>28</sup>

## 4.2.2. Synthesis of $[M'][OsOF_5] (M' = Cs^+, NO^+)$

The OsOF<sub>4</sub> sample used for the syntheses of OsOF<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> salts was prepared by two literature methods; (1) by hydrolysis of OsF<sub>6</sub> in HF at room temperature (eq 4.5);<sup>36</sup> and (2) by reaction of OsO<sub>4</sub> with OsF<sub>6</sub> at 180 °C in an metal vessel (eq 4.6).<sup>41</sup>

$$OsF_6 + H_2O \xrightarrow{HF}_{25 \, °C} OsOF_4 + 2HF$$

$$(4.5)$$

$$OsO_4 + 4OsF_6 \xrightarrow{180 \,^{\circ}C} 4OsOF_4 + Os + 4F_2 \tag{4.6}$$

Osmium oxide tetrafluoride synthesized by the first method,  $OsF_6$  (eq 4.5) was allowed to react with either [Cs][F] in HF (eq 4.7) or neat FNO (eq 4.8). The products of

$$OsOF_4 + [Cs][F] \xrightarrow{HF}_{23^{\circ}C} [Cs][OsOF_5]$$
(4.7)

$$OsOF_4 + FNO \xrightarrow{FNO}_{25^{\circ}C} > [NO][OsOF_5]$$
(4.8)

the reaction of [Cs][F] with OsOF<sub>4</sub> are slightly soluble in CH<sub>3</sub>CN and HF solvents, whereas the product of the FNO with OsOF<sub>4</sub> reaction is slightly soluble in HF, FNO, and a mixture of HF and FNO (FNO/HF). The <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra of all of these solutions revealed AX<sub>4</sub> coupling patterns corresponding to  $OsO_2F_5^-$  (see Section 4.2.3.). Slow cooling of the CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution yielded orange block-shaped crystals corresponding to  $[Cs][OsO_3F_3]$ ·CH<sub>3</sub>CN rather than the anticipated product (see Section 4.2.5). Attempts to grow crystals by slow cooling of HF, FNO, or FNO/HF solutions were unsuccessful.

Osmium oxide tetrafluoride synthesized by method (2) (eq 4.6) was also allowed to react with either [Cs][F] in HF (eq 4.7) or neat FNO (eq 4.8). Characterization of these products in HF or FNO, respectively by <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectroscopy again revealed  $AX_4$ 

coupling patterns having the same chemical shifts and coupling constants as the samples prepared by the hydrolysis method. In addition to the AX<sub>4</sub> coupling pattern in HF solution, an  $A_2X_2$  coupling pattern corresponding to *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> that integrated to 9.1% of the AX<sub>4</sub> pattern of OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> was also observed. The products of these reactions were not isolated in the solid state, and therefore, dissolution of the products of either reaction in CH<sub>3</sub>CN was not attempted.

It has been previously reported that when  $OsOF_4$  dissolves in aqueous or alkaline media, it gives a yellow solution containing  $OsO_4$ ; however, no other reaction products were identified.<sup>37</sup> In the present work,  $OsO_4$ , identified by Raman spectroscopy, and unidentified black products were observed in attempted reactions to form [M'][OsOF<sub>5</sub>]. Disproportionation of OsOF<sub>4</sub> to form *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> and a reduction product (eq 4.9) would

 $2OsOF_4 \longrightarrow cis-OsO_2F_4 + Osmium reduction product$  (4.9) be plausible in the current system although it was never possible to characterize a reduction product. Any *cis*-OsO\_2F\_4 that is formed can be expected to immediately react with the fluoride ion source to yield  $OsO_2F_5^-$ . Formation of  $OsO_3F_3^-$  (vide supra) may possibly be explained if an excess of H<sub>2</sub>O remained in the sample when  $OsOF_4$  which was synthesized by hydrolysis of  $OsF_6$ . The residual H<sub>2</sub>O could then react with  $OsO_2F_5^$ to form  $OsO_3F_3^-$  (eq 4.10). Alternately, further disproportionation of  $OsO_2F_5^-$  to  $OsF_7^$ and  $OsO_3F_3^-$  (eq 4.11) may also occur. There is no evidence that  $OsF_6$  or  $OsF_7^-$  could be formed, and it likely would immediately decompose.

$$OsO_2F_5^- + H_2O \longrightarrow OsO_3F_3^- + HF$$
(4.10)

 $2\mathrm{OsO}_{2}\mathrm{F}_{5}^{-} \longrightarrow \mathrm{OsO}_{3}\mathrm{F}_{3}^{-} + \mathrm{OsF}_{7}^{-}$  (4.11)

#### 4.2.3. NMR Spectroscopy

Table 4.1 lists the <sup>19</sup>F NMR parameters for solutions of [M][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>] (M = Cs<sup>+</sup>, N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>, and NO<sup>+</sup>) and mixtures of [M'][F] and OsOF<sub>4</sub> (M' = Cs<sup>+</sup> and NO<sup>+</sup>) in CH<sub>3</sub>CN (-30 to -38 °C), HF (-30 and -78 °C), FNO (-65 °C), and FNO/HF (-30 °C) solvents. The primary features of the <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra of [M][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>] (Figure 4.1) or OsOF<sub>4</sub> that had been reacted with [M'][F] (Figure 4.2) in either CH<sub>3</sub>CN, HF, FNO, or FNO/HF solvent were doublet and quintet patterns of the AX<sub>4</sub> spin system.

The <sup>19</sup>F chemical shifts and coupling constants of the AX<sub>4</sub> coupling pattern for different samples of [M][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>] and OsOF<sub>4</sub> reacted with [M'][F] recorded in the same solvents are similar (vide infra). Therefore, based on the NMR trends and the previously discussed propensity for Os(VI) of OsOF<sub>4</sub> to be oxidized to Os(VIII) (see Section 4.2.2), it was concluded that (1) the NMR samples only contained OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup>, and (2) there was no evidence for OsOF<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> resulting from the reaction of OsOF<sub>4</sub> with [M'][F].

There are four possible seven-coordinate geometries for the  $OsO_2F_5^-$  anion (see Section 4.2.6.2), *trans*-OsO\_2F\_5<sup>-</sup> based on a pentagonal bipyramid (*trans*-PBP) (Figure 4.3a) and three *cis*-OsO\_2F\_5<sup>-</sup> isomers based on a monocapped trigonal prism (MCTP) (Figure 4.4a), a pentagonal bipyramid (*cis*-PBP) (Figure 4.4b), and a monocapped octahedron (MCO) (Figure 4.4c). The only  $OsO_2F_5^-$  isomer that is consistent with the observed AX<sub>4</sub> coupling pattern is the *cis*-dioxo monocapped trigonal prismatic isomer. The resonance corresponding to the four equivalent equatorial fluorine atoms is split into a doublet by the axial fluorine atom and the signal corresponding to the axial fluorine atom is split into a quintet by the four equivalent equatorial fluorine atoms.

			$\delta(^{19}F),$	$^{2}J(^{19}F_{1}-^{19}F_{2}),$	Δδ( <sup>19</sup> F),
starting material	solvent	<u>T, °C</u>	_ppm <sup>a</sup>	Hz	ppm
$[C_{s}][E] + cis \cap C E$	∫ CH₃CN	-38	F <sub>a</sub> 91.0 F <sub>e</sub> 45.6	94	45.4
	$\int \mathrm{HF}^{\flat}$	-78	F <sub>a</sub> -5.0 F <sub>e</sub> -33.9	90	28.9
$N(CH_{1})$ $  F  + cir Or O_{1}F_{1}$	∫ CH <sub>3</sub> CN <sup>c</sup>	-30	F <b>a</b> 93.2 F <b>e</b> 46.6	93	46.6
	$\int \mathrm{HF}^{d}$	-78	F <sub>a</sub> -6.5 F <sub>e</sub> -36.6	96	30.1
	( HF <sup>e</sup>	-30	F <sub>a</sub> –5.6 F <sub>e</sub> –33.0	98	27.4
$[NO][F] + cis-OsO_2F_4$	FNO <sup>f</sup>	-65	F <sub>a</sub> 79.8 F <sub>e</sub> 37.4	96	42.4
	FNO + HF <sup>g</sup>	-30	$F_a 0.2$ $F_e -23.0$	99	23.0
$[Cs][F] + OsOF_{4}$	∫ CH <sub>3</sub> CN	-30	F <sub>a</sub> 88.0 F <sub>c</sub> 44.4	95	43.6
	L HF	-30	F <sub>a</sub> -5.2 F <sub>e</sub> -35.7	97	30.5
[NO][F] + OsOF	∫ HF	-32	$F_{a} - 5.5$ $F_{c} - 33.6$	98	28.1
	FNO + HF	-30	F <sub>a</sub> 0.8 F <sub>e</sub> -22.3	97	23.1

Table 4.1. NMR Chemical Shifts and Spin-Spin Coupling Constants for cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup>

<sup>*a*</sup> The equatorial and axial fluorine atoms are denoted by  $F_e$  and  $F_a$ , respectively. <sup>*b*</sup> Two weak triplets ( $\delta = 13.2$  and 65.9 ppm;  ${}^2J({}^{19}F^{-19}F) = 131$  Hz) resonances assigned to unreacted *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> were observed. <sup>*c*</sup> A singlet ( $\delta = 3.6$  ppm;  ${}^1J({}^{1}H^{-13}C) = 82$  Hz) in the proton spectrum is assigned to N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>. Weak unassigned peaks (s 144.8 ppm, d 108.0 ppm [J = 65 Hz], d 49.0 ppm [J = 76 Hz], q 41.0 ppm [J = 86 Hz], s 36.0 ppm, q 27 ppm [J = 106 Hz], m 20.9 ppm [J = 97 Hz], s(br) 12 ppm, d 10.9 ppm [J = 102 Hz], q 1.3 ppm [J = 79 Hz], d -1.0 ppm [J = 99 Hz], d -2.0 [J = 107 Hz], and d -4.8 ppm [J = 88 Hz], s(br) -6.9 ppm, where there abbreviations denote singlet (s), broad singlet (s(br)), doublet (d), quartet (q), and multiplet (m)) attributed to fluorinated CH<sub>3</sub>CN decomposition products were also observed in the <sup>19</sup>F spectrum. <sup>*d*</sup> A quartet ( $\delta = -63.0$  ppm; J = 109 Hz) and doublet ( $\delta = -70$  ppm; J = 107 Hz) were observed. <sup>*e*</sup> A weak unassigned doublet ( $\delta = -64.0$  ppm; J = 108 Hz) and singlet ( $\delta = -70.3$  ppm) were also observed. <sup>*f*</sup> a broad peak at 79.2 ppm was also observed. <sup>*g*</sup> Two triplets ( $\delta = 12.5$  and 56.6 ppm; <sup>2</sup> $J({}^{19}F^{-19}F) = 139$  Hz) resonances assigned to unreacted *cis*-OSO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> were observed.



Figure 4.1. The <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum (470.409 MHz) of [Cs][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>] in CH<sub>3</sub>CN at -38 °C.



**Figure 4.2.** The <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum (470.409 MHz) of [Cs][OsOF<sub>5</sub>] in HF at -30 °C.



**Figure 4.3.** The calculated SVWN/SDDall gas-phase geometries for (a) *trans*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup>  $(D_{5h})$  and (b) OsOF<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup>  $(C_{4\nu})$ .



**Figure 4.4.** The calculated SVWN/SDDall gas-phase geometries for (a) monocapped trigonal prism  $(C_{2\nu})$ , (b) pentagonal bipyramid  $(C_s)$ , and (c) monocapped octahedron  $(C_s)$  isomers of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup>.



Figure 4.4. The calculated SVWN/SDDall gas-phase geometries for (a) monocapped trigonal prism  $(C_{2\nu})$ , (b) pentagonal bipyramid  $(C_s)$ , and (c) monocapped octahedron  $(C_s)$  isomers of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup>.

The chemical shifts of the various *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> salts are similar when recorded in the same solvent (see Table 4.1). However, different solvents result in significantly different chemical shifts. For example, the quintet associated with the [Cs][*cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>] salt in CH<sub>3</sub>CN solvent (91.0 ppm) is considerably less shielded than in HF solvent (-5.0 ppm) with the corresponding doublet (45.6 [CH<sub>3</sub>CN] and -33.9 [HF] ppm) following the same trend. This chemical shift trend is also reproduced for the N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> and NO<sup>+</sup> salts (see Table 4.1). It is interesting to note that the chemical shifts in the FNO/HF solvent mixture are intermediate with respect to the chemical shifts observed in pure HF and FNO solvents, again confirming that the dielectric constant of the solvent greatly influences the chemical shifts of the *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> anion. The dependence of the chemical shift on solvent has been previously reported for KrF<sub>2</sub> and XeF<sub>2</sub>. The chemical shift of KrF<sub>2</sub> (55.6 ppm<sup>196</sup>) and XeF<sub>2</sub> (-199.6 ppm<sup>197</sup>) in HF solvent are to lower frequency when compared to the chemical shifts in less polar solvent, BrF<sub>5</sub> (77.7<sup>196</sup> and -181.8 ppm,<sup>196</sup> respectively).

The chemical shift differences for the axial and equatorial fluorine environments of [Cs][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>] in CH<sub>3</sub>CN solvent ( $\Delta^{19}F(CH_3CN) = 45.4$  ppm) is larger than in the more polar HF solvent ( $\Delta^{19}F(HF) = 28.9$  ppm). The same trend is reproduced for all other salts (see Table 4.1) in CH<sub>3</sub>CN and HF solvents. It is noteworthy that in FNO solvent, the chemical shifts and chemical shift differences for [NO][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>] ( $\delta^{(19}F_a) = 79.8$ ,  $\delta^{(19}F_e) =$ 37.4,  $\Delta\delta^{(19}F) = 42.4$  ppm) are much closer to those obtained in CH<sub>3</sub>CN than those obtained in HF. The [N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>] salt also shows a chemical shift dependence based on solvent which it is much more pronounced than for *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-,45</sup> In CH<sub>3</sub>CN solvent the chemical shift difference for the axial and equatorial environments ( $\delta(^{19}F_a) = -53.8$  and  $\delta(^{19}F_e) -64.2$  ppm) is much smaller than in HF solvent ( $\delta(^{19}F_a) = -135.7$  and  $\delta(^{19}F_e) -30.7$  ppm). Interestingly, in CH<sub>3</sub>CN solvent, the axial resonance occurs to higher frequency than the equatorial resonance, whereas in HF solvent the equatorial resonance is to higher frequency.

The chemical shifts of  $[M][cis-OsO_2F_5]$  in HF solvent (M = Cs<sup>+</sup> [-5.0 and -33.9 ppm], N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> [-6.5 and -36.6 ppm], and NO<sup>+</sup> [-5.6 and -33.0 ppm]) are to significantly lower frequency with respect to cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> in HF solvent (63.3 and 15.8 ppm)<sup>20</sup> indicating that the fluorine ligands of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> are more shielded, consistent with anion formation.

In addition to the AX<sub>4</sub> spin coupling pattern, the <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of  $[NO][OsO_2F_5]$  recorded in FNO/HF or HF contains an A<sub>2</sub>X<sub>2</sub> spin coupling pattern corresponding to *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>. The relative molar ratio of OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> to *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> in the FNO/HF solutions was determined from the integrated intensities of the AX<sub>4</sub> and A<sub>2</sub>X<sub>2</sub> spin coupling patterns and ranged from 1:2.5 to 1:15, depending on the relative amounts of FNO and HF in the solvent mixture. As the amount of HF in the solvent increased, so did the intensity of the A<sub>2</sub>X<sub>2</sub> signals. In contrast, only the AX<sub>4</sub> coupling pattern was observed in FNO solvent. The lack of peaks corresponding to *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> in the FNO solution is consistent with the equilibrium depicted in eq 4.4, i.e. excess FNO forces the equilibrium to the right, favoring *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup>, while in the FNO/HF solvent mixture or HF, the reaction is in equilibrium and both the product (*cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup>) and reactant (*cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>) are present.

The coupling constant of the cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> anion is similar for all salts in all solvents, ranging from 90 to 99 Hz, and is comparable to those of other cis-dioxo, d<sup>0</sup> transition metal oxide fluoride anions, ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> (87<sup>45</sup> or 89<sup>198</sup> Hz) and TcO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> (105 Hz).<sup>47</sup> The coupling constant of the parent compound, cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> (138 Hz)<sup>20</sup> is larger than for the isoelectronic ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> and TcO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> anions as well as the cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> anion, which is consistent with the more polar bonds of the anion relative to those of neutral cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>. As the positive charge on the central atom decreases, the bonding becomes more polar covalent so that the <sup>2</sup>J(<sup>19</sup>F-<sup>19</sup>F) coupling constant decreases. This behavior is further substantiated by OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> (164 Hz)<sup>22</sup> and cis-WO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> (60 Hz).<sup>199</sup>

#### 4.2.4. Raman Spectroscopy

The low-temperature Raman spectra of natural abundance and <sup>18</sup>O-enriched  $[Cs][cis-OsO_2F_5]$  are shown in Figure 4.5. The observed frequencies of  $[M][cis-OsO_2F_5]$  ( $M = Cs^+$ ,  $N(CH_3)_4^+$ , and  $NO^+$ ) and calculated frequencies and mode descriptions for  $cis-OsO_2F_5^-$  are provided in Table 4.2, where the atom numbering scheme is given in Figure 4.4a. Spectral assignments for  $cis-OsO_2F_5^-$  were made by comparison with the calculated frequencies and Raman intensities for the energy-minimized gas-phase geometries of the monocapped trigonal prismatic isomer of  $cis-OsO_2F_5^-$  using SVWN and B3LYP methods. The SVWN geometry provides the best agreement for the benchmark,  $cis-OsO_2F_4$  (see Section 4.2.6), and these values will be explicitly referred to in the ensuing discussion. The Raman spectrum of the  $N(CH_3)_4^+$  salt is explicitly discussed in this section because it has been previously shown that  $N(CH_3)_4^+$  salts have



**Figure 4.5.** Raman spectra of  $[Cs][OsO_2F_5]$  (bottom) and  $[Cs][Os^{18}O_2F_5]$  (top) recorded at 25 °C using 785-nm (bottom) and 782-nm (top) excitation; the symbol denotes a FEP sample tube line (\*).

		exptl					calcď		$OsO_2F_5^-$ (monocapped trigonal prism)
Cs <sup>+ a,b</sup>		N(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> <sup>+ b,c</sup>		NO <sup>+ b,c</sup>		B3LYP'	SVWN	SVWN <sup>g</sup>	$\operatorname{assgnt}(C_{2\nu})^h$
918(100)	_	920(100)		929(100) 926 sh	_}	942(40)[91]	937(40)[86]	895(36)[80]	$A_1 \nu(OsO_1) + \nu(OsO_2)$
821(16)		826(16)		842(9) 832(18)	}	883(17)[154]	891(16)[148]	861(16)[134]	$B_2 \nu(OsO_1) - \nu(OsO_2)$
606(21) 594 sh	}	617(16)		584(38)		597(22)[95]	631(20)[96]	623(22)[90]	$A_1 \nu(\mathrm{Os}F_1) + \nu(\mathrm{Os}F_2) + \nu(\mathrm{Os}F_3) + \nu(\mathrm{Os}F_4) + \nu(\mathrm{Os}F_5)$
	-				ſ	554(2)[158]	594(2)[160]	585(2)[156]	$\mathrm{B}_1\left[\nu(\mathrm{OsF_1}) + \nu(\mathrm{OsF_2})\right] - \left[\nu(\mathrm{OsF_3}) + \nu(\mathrm{OsF_4})\right]$
545(7)		551(5)		573(51) <sup>1</sup>	1	549(1)[18]	555(2)[14]	534(4)[9]	$\begin{array}{l} A_1 \left[\nu(\mathrm{Os}F_1) + \nu(\mathrm{Os}F_2) + \nu(\mathrm{Os}F_3) + \nu(\mathrm{Os}F_4)\right] - \\ \left[\nu(\mathrm{Os}F_5)\right] + \delta(\mathrm{O}_1\mathrm{Os}\mathrm{O}_2) \end{array}$
105(0)		406(5)		517(A)	ſ	514(4)[0]	540(4)[0]	522(6)[0]	$\begin{array}{l} A_{2} \left[\nu(OsF_{1}) + \nu(OsF_{3})\right] - \left[\nu(OsF_{2}) + \nu(OsF_{4})\right] + \\ \rho_{t}(O_{1}OsO_{2}) \end{array}$
405(0)		490(3)		517(4)	l	489(3)[51]	527(3)[55]	517(4)[57]	$\begin{array}{l} B_{2} \left[\nu(OsF_{1}) + \nu(OsF_{4})\right] - \left[\nu(OsF_{2}) + \nu(OsF_{3})\right] + \\ \rho_{t}(O_{1}OsO_{2}) \end{array}$
						463(2)[10]	469(2)[4]	441(3)[2]	$\mathrm{B}_1 \nu(\mathrm{OsF}_5) + \delta(\mathrm{O}_1\mathrm{OsO}_2) - \left[\delta(F_1\mathrm{OsF}_4) + \delta(F_2\mathrm{OsF}_3)\right]$
450(5)						448(9)[<1]	470(7)[<1]	453(8)[<0.1]	$A_1 \rho_w(F_5 OsO_1 O_2) + \rho_w(F_1 OsF_2) - \rho_w(F_3 OsF_4)$
						373(<0.1)[18]	379(<1)[13]	353(<1)[11]	$B_2 \rho_r(F_5 OsO_1O_2) + \rho_w(F_1 OsF_4) - \rho_w(F_2 OsF_3)$
						370(<1)[16]	374(<1)[17]	353(<1)[15]	$A_1  \delta_{umb}(OsF_1F_2F_3F_4) + \delta(O_1OsO_2)$
						362(<0.1)[40]	362(<1)[36]	335(<1)[26]	$B_1  \delta(F_1 OsF_2) - \delta(F_3 OsF_4) + \rho_w(F_5 OsO_1O_2)$
381(6) 360(45)	}	364(31)		365sh		347(9)[0]	359(6)[0]	338(6)[0]	$A_2 \rho_t(F_1 OsF_4) - \rho_t(F_2 OsF_3) + \rho_t(O_1 OsO_2)$
305(63)		310(sh) 304(45)		339 sh 310(40) <sup>/</sup>	}	334(4)[31]	339(3)[26]	316(3)[20]	$B_2 \delta(F_5OsO_1) - \delta(F_5OsO_2)$
						311(<1)[1]	311(<1)[1]	294(<1)[2]	$B_1 \ \delta(F_1 OsF_2) - \delta(F_3 OsF_4) - \rho_w(F_6 OsO_1 O_2)$
252(21)		254(12) 232(3)	}	264(26)		266(4)[3]	270(3)[2]	261(4)[1]	$A_1  \delta(F_1 \text{Os}F_2) + \delta(F_3 \text{Os}F_4)$
						54(2)[0]	73(1)[0]	61(1)[0]	$A_2 \rho_t(F_1 OsF_2) + \rho_t(F_3 OsF_4) + \rho_t(O_1 OsO_2)$
						-103(<1)[2]	-102(<1)[1]	-97(<1)[1]	B <sub>2</sub> def.
200(11) 178(6)		201(10) 177(5)		209(14) 187(7)	}				lattice modes

**Table 4.2.** Experimental Raman Vibrational Frequencies and Intensities for  $[Cs][OsO_2F_5]$ ,  $[N(CH_3)_4][OsO_2F_5]$  and  $[NO][OsO_2F_5]$  and Calculated Vibrational Frequencies and Infrared Intensities for  $OsO_2F_5^-$ 

<sup>a</sup> The Raman spectrum was recorded on microcrystalline solid in a quartz capillary at 25 °C using 785-nm excitation. <sup>b</sup> Frequencies are given in cm<sup>-1</sup> and are relative intensities with the most intense band given as 100. The abbreviation (sh) denotes a shoulder. Bands were also observed at 949(7), 681(26), 667(7), 646(7) ([Cs][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>]); 977(4), 645(7) ([N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>]); 967(7), 678(sh), 639(10) ([NO][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>]) cm<sup>-1</sup> and are tentatively assigned to OsOF<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup>. Bands assigned to *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> were observed at 943(330), 934(97), 683(18), 673(137), 578(47), 571(45), 402(213), 347(77), 342(97), and 321(40) in the spectrum of [NO][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>]. <sup>c</sup> The Raman spectrum was recorded on a microcrystalline solid sample in a FEP tube at –150 °C using 1064-nm excitation. <sup>d</sup> Values in parentheses denote calculated Raman intensities (Å<sup>4</sup> u<sup>-1</sup>) and values in square brackets denote calculated infrared intensities (km mol<sup>-1</sup>). <sup>e</sup> The B3LYP/Stuttgart basis set for Os and the aug-cc-pVTZ basis set for O and F were used. <sup>f</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ basis set was used. <sup>g</sup> The SDDall basis set was used augmented for F and O with two d-type polarization functions. <sup>h</sup> Assignments are for the energy-minimized geometry calculated at the SVWN/SDDall level of theory. See Figure 4.4a for the atom labeling scheme. The symbols denote stretch (v), bend ( $\delta$ ), twist ( $\rho_t$ ), rock ( $\rho_r$ ), wag ( $\rho_w$ ), and umbrella ( $\delta_{umb}$ ). The abbreviation, def., denotes a deformation mode. <sup>i</sup> The band overlaps with a *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> band. <sup>j</sup> The band overlaps with a FNO band the weakest cation-anion interactions. Thus, the anion is expected to most closely resemble the gas-phase anion. Such an example is provided by the crystal structure of  $[N(CH_3)_4][OsO_3F_3]$ .<sup>23</sup>

The Os–O stretching frequencies of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> (826 and 920 cm<sup>-1</sup>) bracket the calculated values (861 and 895 cm<sup>-1</sup>). The Os–O stretching frequencies are also shifted to lower frequency than those of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> (933 and 943 cm<sup>-1</sup>),<sup>20</sup> consistent with anion formation. The experimental frequency difference between the symmetric and asymmetric stretches (94 cm<sup>-1</sup>) is much larger than the calculated difference (34 cm<sup>-1</sup>). It is interesting to note that the experimental difference for cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> (10 cm<sup>-1</sup>) is also larger than the calculated difference (5 cm<sup>-1</sup>, Table 5.4).

Examination of a series of *cis*-dioxo d<sup>0</sup> transition metal oxide fluorides reveals that there is a near-linear ( $R^2 = 87\%$ ) correlation between the O–M–O bond angle (M = Os, Re, Tc) and the difference in frequency between of the symmetric and asymmetric MO stretches (Table 4.3). The largest experimentally reported bond angle corresponds to *cis*-TcO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub> (103.1°) and to a small frequency difference ( $\Delta v = 11 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ),<sup>200</sup> whereas the smallest experimentally reported bond angle occurs for [*cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>] (99.9(2)°), which displays the largest frequency difference ( $\Delta v = 54 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ).<sup>139</sup> The frequency difference observed for *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> (94 cm<sup>-1</sup>) is larger than for any species listed in Table 4.3, consequently, a O–Os–O bond angle that is much smaller than that of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> (99.9(2)°)<sup>139</sup> is anticipated. In support of this expectation, the calculated O–Os–O bond angle for the monocapped trigonal prismatic isomer is 89.2°. **Table 4.3.**Correlation of the OMO Bond Angle with the Frequency Difference<br/>Between the Symmetric and Asymmetric MO Stretches for  $d^0$  cis-dioxo<br/>Transition Metal Oxide Fluorides (M = Os, Re, Tc)

		OMO	
Molecule	$\Delta(v(MO)),^{a} \text{ cm}^{-1}$	Bond Angle (°)	ref
<i>cis</i> -TcO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>3</sub>	11	103.1 <sup><i>a</i></sup>	Re-031
cis-OsO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub>	13	103.5(25)	Os8-003
<i>cis</i> -TcO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>3</sub> ·SbF <sub>5</sub>	$18^b$	103.3(3)	Re-008
<i>cis</i> -ReO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>3</sub> ·SbF <sub>5</sub>	21 <sup>c</sup>	103.2(3)	Re-008
cis-TcO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>3</sub> ·XeO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>2</sub>	26	101.5(8)	Re-008
[Li][ <i>cis</i> -TcO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub> ]	27	102.5(3)	Re-016
cis-ReO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>3</sub>	$33^d$	102.3(4)	Re-013
[Li][ <i>cis</i> -ReO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub> ]	38	100.2(7)	Re-013
$[cis-F(OsO_2F_3)][Sb_2F_{11}]$	48 <sup>e</sup>	101.4(6)	Os8-002
$[cis-OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$	54 <sup>f</sup>	99.9(2)	Os8-023
$[Cs][OsO_2F_5]$	94	89.2 <sup>g</sup>	

<sup>*a*</sup> Bond angle calculated from the average of the reported 104.5(5), 102.7(4), 103.3(4), and 102.4(5)<sup>o</sup> bond angles. <sup>*b*</sup> Calculated from  $v_s(TcO_2)$  (995 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and the average of  $v_{as}(TcO_2)$  (982 and 972 cm<sup>-1</sup>), <sup>*c*</sup> Calculated from  $v_s(ReO_2)$  (1040 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and the average of  $v_{as}(ReO_2)$  (1025 and 1013 cm<sup>-1</sup>), <sup>*d*</sup> Calculated from  $v_s(ReO)$  (1025 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and the average of  $v_{as}(ReO)$  (994 and 990 cm<sup>-1</sup>), <sup>*e*</sup>  $v_s(OsO_b)$  (984 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and  $v_{as}(OsO_t)$  (936 cm<sup>-1</sup>), <sup>*f*</sup> the average of  $v_s(OsO)$  (997 and 995 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and the average of  $v_{as}(OsO)$  (946 and 938 cm<sup>-1</sup>), <sup>*i*</sup> Calculated bond angle at the SVWN/SDDall level of theory for the monocapped trigonal prismatic isomer. The observed totally symmetric Os–F stretch of  $OsO_2F_5^-$  (617 cm<sup>-1</sup>) is in good agreement with the calculated value (623 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and is significantly lower in frequency when compared with that of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> (673 cm<sup>-1</sup>).<sup>20</sup> The bands at 551 and 496 cm<sup>-1</sup> are assigned to coupled equatorial stretching modes, three of which are coupled to (O<sub>1</sub>OsO<sub>2</sub>) bending modes and are in good agreement with the calculated values (585/534 and 522/517 cm<sup>-1</sup>). All of these modes are shifted to lower frequency than the axial stretching modes of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> (680, 580, 572 cm<sup>-1</sup>),<sup>20</sup> consistent with anion formation. Comparison of the equatorial Os–F stretches of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> with the axial stretches of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> is valid because, in both cases, the fluorine atoms are trans to fluorine atoms instead of oxygen atoms.

The low-frequency bending modes are in good agreement with those calculated at all levels and are also shifted to lower frequency when compared with those of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>, again, consistent with anion formation.

The Raman spectrum of [NO][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>] was recorded as a precipitate under FNO solvent, and was always in admixture with *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>. The Os–O stretches of this salt (832, 842, 926, 929 cm<sup>-1</sup>) are shifted to slightly higher frequency relative to the Cs<sup>+</sup> and N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> salts, while the Os–F stretching modes, with the exception of the stretch at 573 cm<sup>-1</sup> which overlaps with a *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> band, are shifted to lower frequency. Overlap of the 573 cm<sup>-1</sup> band does not allow for an accurate determination of the frequency of the *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> mode. The shift in frequency of both the Os–F and Os–O stretching modes indicates that there is likely an interaction between the NO<sup>+</sup> cation and the fluorine atoms of the OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> anion resulting in a weaker Os–F bond and a stronger Os–O bond.

The stretching frequencies of the  $Cs^+$  salt are similar to those of the  $N(CH_3)_4^+$  salt but are shifted to slightly lower frequency, indicating that there is likely a slightly higher degree of interaction between the anion and cation than for the  $N(CH_3)_4^+$  salt.

An <sup>18</sup>O-enriched sample of  $[Cs][OsO_2F_5]$  was synthesized by a fusion reaction of cis-Os<sup>18</sup>O<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> with [Cs][F] (eq 4.1) in order to confirm the assignments of the Raman spectrum of  $OsO_2F_5^-$ . The spectrum of  $Os^{18}O_2F_5^-$  is shown in Figure 4.5 and the observed and calculated frequencies and mode descriptions for cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> and cis-Os<sup>18</sup>O<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> are provided in Table 4.4. The asymmetric and symmetric Os-O stretches of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> (820.8 and 917.6 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively) shift to lower frequency upon <sup>18</sup>O-enrichment (781.6 and 870.5 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively). These shifts ( $\Delta v = -39.2$  and -47.1 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively) are well reproduced by the calculated values ( $\Delta v = -42.7$  and -47.7 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and are slightly less than those of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> ( $\Delta v_{as} = -47.7$ ;  $\Delta v_{s} = -50.9$  cm<sup>-1</sup>). The low-frequency shifts of these modes confirm that they involve displacements of the oxygen ligands. Two Os-F stretches in the spectrum of  $Os^{16}O_2F_5^-$  (485.3 and 545.6 cm<sup>-1</sup>) have a small contribution from the  $\delta(O_1OsO_2)$  and  $\rho(O_1OsO_2)$  bending modes and do not shift appreciably in the spectrum of  $Os^{18}O_2F_5^-$  (489.2 and 547.9 cm<sup>-1</sup>). The totally symmetric Os–F stretch does not contain an appreciable contribution that involves oxygen displacement(s) and therefore does not shift appreciably upon enrichment ( $\Delta v = 5.1 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ).

#### 4.2.5. X-ray Crystal Structure of [Cs][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>]·CH<sub>3</sub>CN

Details of data collection parameters and other crystallographic information are provided in Table 4.5 and geometric parameters are listed in Table 4.6. The crystal structure consists of well-isolated  $Cs^+$  cations,  $OsO_3F_3^-$  anions, and  $CH_3CN$  molecules

$exptl^{a}$				ca	assignts $(C_{2\nu})^g$				
		_	SV	WN <sup>e</sup>	B3I	LYP'	(monocapped trigonal prism)		
$Os^{16}O_2F_5{}^b$	$Os^{18}O_2F_5$		Os <sup>16</sup> O <sub>2</sub> F <sub>5</sub>	Os <sup>18</sup> O <sub>2</sub> F <sub>5</sub>	Os <sup>16</sup> O <sub>2</sub> F <sub>5</sub>	Os <sup>18</sup> O <sub>2</sub> F <sub>5</sub>			
917.6(100)	870.5(100)	_	895.1(36)[80]	847.4(33)[73]	941.6(40)[91]	891.3(36)[82.8]	$A_1 \nu(OsO_1) + \nu(OsO_2)$		
820.8(16)	781.6(13)		860.6(16)[134]	817.9(14)[129]	882.9(17)[154]	838.5(14)[147]	$B_2 \nu(OsO_1) - \nu(OsO_2)$		
$\{\frac{605.9(21)}{594.5 \text{ sh}}\}$	611.0(23)		622.6(22)[90]	622.4(21)[92]	597.4(22)[95]	596.5(21)[101]	$\begin{array}{l}A_1 \nu(\mathrm{Os}F_1) + \nu(\mathrm{Os}F_2) + \nu(\mathrm{Os}F_3) + \nu(\mathrm{Os}F_4) + \\ \nu(\mathrm{Os}F_5)\end{array}$		
		ſ	585.2(2)[156]	584(2)[158]	553.7(2)[158]	551.6(2)[165]	$B_1 \left[\nu(OsF_1) + \nu(OsF_2)\right] - \left[\nu(OsF_3) + \nu(OsF_4)\right]$		
545.6(7)	547.9(6)	1	534.5(4)[9]	525.4(5)[7]	548.9(1)[18]	530.6(2)[11]	$\begin{array}{l} A_1 \left[\nu(\mathrm{Os}F_1) + \nu(\mathrm{Os}F_2) + \nu(\mathrm{Os}F_3) + \nu(\mathrm{Os}F_4)\right] - \\ \left[\nu(\mathrm{Os}F_5)\right] + \delta(\mathrm{O}_1\mathrm{Os}\mathrm{O}_2) \end{array}$		
485 3(8)	489 2 <i>(1</i> )	J	522.2(6)[0]	518.3(7)[0]	514.4(4)[0]	507.5(4)[0]	$\begin{array}{l} A_2 \left[ \nu(\mathrm{Os}F_1) + \nu(\mathrm{Os}F_3) \right] - \left[ \nu(\mathrm{Os}F_2) + \nu(\mathrm{Os}F_4) \right] + \\ \rho_t(\mathrm{O_1OsO_2}) \end{array}$		
105.5(8)	409.2(7)	J	516.6(4)[57]	514.0(4)[56]	488.6(3)[51]	485.5(3)[52]	$B_2 \left[\nu(OsF_1) + \nu(OsF_4)\right] - \left[\nu(OsF_2) + \nu(OsF_3)\right] + \rho_r(O_1OsO_2)$		
			440.6(3)[2]	434.1(2)[<1]	463.2(2)[10]	455.7(2)[5]	$\begin{array}{l} \operatorname{B}_1\nu(\operatorname{OsF}_5) + \delta(\operatorname{O}_1\operatorname{OsO}_2) - \left[\delta(\operatorname{F}_1\operatorname{OsF}_4) + \\ \delta(\operatorname{F}_2\operatorname{OsF}_3)\right] \end{array}$		
450.1(5)			452.8(8)[<0.1]	440.1(6)[<0.1]	447.8(9)[<1]	442.1(8)[<0.1]	$A_1 \rho_w(F_5OsO_1O_2) + \rho_w(F_1OsF_2) - \rho_w(F_3OsF_4)$		
			353.2(<1)[11]	348.9(<1)[7]	372.9(<0.1)[18]	368.6(<1)[12]	$B_2 \rho_r(F_5 OsO_1O_2) + \rho_w(F_1 OsF_4) - \rho_w(F_2 OsF_3)$		
			352.8(<1)[15]	350.1(<1)[15]	370.1(<1)[16]	368.1(<1)[16]	$A_1 \delta_{umb}(OsF_1F_2F_3F_4) + \delta(O_1OsO_2)$		
			335.4(<1)[26]	328.7(<1)[24]	361.7(<0.1)[40]	354.6(<0.1)[35]	$B_1  \delta(F_1 OsF_2) - \delta(F_3 OsF_4) + \rho_w(F_5 OsO_1O_2)$		
380.7(6) 360.2(45)	385.2(8) 349. <b>7</b> (49)	}	337.7(6)[0]	330.5(5)[0]	347.2(9)[0]	341.2(8)[0]	$A_2 \rho_t(F_1 OsF_4) - \rho_t(F_2 OsF_3) + \rho_t(O_1 OsO_2)$		
304.5(63)	301(79)		315.6(3)[20]	311.6(3)[22]	334.0(4)[31]	330.0(3)[34]	$B_2 \delta(F_5OsO_1) - \delta(F_5OsO_2)$		
252 2(21)	251 8(20)		294.3(<1)[2]	293.0(<1)[3]	310.9(<1)[1]	310.4(<1)[2]	$B_1 \delta(F_1 OsF_2) - \delta(F_3 OsF_4) - \rho_w(F_6 OsO_1O_2)$		
252.2(21)	251.8(28)		260.6(4)[1]	259.7(4)[1]	265.8(4)[3]	264.9(4)[2]	$A_1 \delta(F_1 OsF_2) + \delta(F_3 OsF_4)$		
			-97.0(<1)[1]	-96 3(<1)[0]	53.8(2)[0] -103 5(<1)[2]	52.6(2)[0] -102.7(<1)[2]	$A_2 \rho_t(F_1 \cup SF_2) + \rho_t(F_3 \cup SF_4) + \rho_t(\cup_1 \cup S\cup_2)$ B <sub>1</sub> def		
199.8(11)	201.1(11)	٦		- 0.0( •/[•]			- <u>_</u>		
178.3(6)	179(7)	ſ					lattice modes		

**Table 4.4.**Exeptimental Raman Vibrational Frequencies and Intensities for  $[Cs][Os^{16/18}O_2F_5]$  and Calculated Vibrational<br/>Frequencies and Infrared Intensities for  $Os^{16/18}O_2F_5^-$ 

<sup>*a*</sup> Frequencies are given in cm<sup>-1</sup> and are relative intensities with the most intense band given as 100. The abbreviation (sh) denotes a shoulder. <sup>*b*</sup> The Raman spectrum was recorded on a microcrystalline solid in a quartz capillary at 25 °C using 785-nm excitation. Bands were also observed at 949(7), 681(26), 667(7), and 646(7) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>*c*</sup> The Raman spectrum was recorded on a microcrystalline solid in an FEP tube at 25 °C using 782-nm excitation. Bands were also observed at 899.8(7) and 683.7(35) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>*d*</sup> Values in parentheses denote calculated Raman intensities (Å<sup>4</sup> u<sup>-1</sup>) and values in square brackets

denote calculated infrared intensities (km mol<sup>-1</sup>). <sup>*e*</sup> The SDDall basis set was used augmented for F and O with two d-type polarization functions. <sup>*f*</sup> The B3LYP/Stuttgart basis set for Os and the aug-cc-pVTZ basis set for O and F were used. <sup>*f*</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ basis set was used. <sup>*h*</sup> Assignments are for the energy-minimized geometry calculated at the SVWN/SDDall level of theory. See Figure 4.4a for the atom labeling scheme. The symbols denote stretch ( $\nu$ ), bend ( $\delta$ ), twist ( $\rho_t$ ), rock ( $\rho_r$ ), wag ( $\rho_w$ ), and umbrella ( $\delta_{umb}$ ). The abbreviation, def., denotes a deformation mode.

	[Cs][OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>3</sub> ]·CH <sub>3</sub> CN
chem formula	OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>3</sub> C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> NCs
space group	<i>P</i> 2(1)/ <i>m</i>
<i>a</i> (Å)	5.4819(2)
<i>b</i> (Å)	6.0651(2)
<i>c</i> (Å)	12.2627(4)
β (deg)	90.480(1)
$V(\text{\AA}^3)$	407.70(2)
molecules/unit cell	2
$mol wt (g mol^{-1})$	938.33
calcd density (g cm <sup>-3</sup> )	3.822
<i>T</i> (°C)	-173
$\mu (\mathrm{mm}^{-1})$	20.05
$R_{I}^{a}$	0.0256
$wR_2^{b}$	0.0373

Table 4.5. Crystallographic Data for [Cs][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>]·CH<sub>3</sub>CN

<sup>*a*</sup>  $R_1$  is defined as  $\Sigma ||F_o| - |F_c|| / \Sigma |F_o|$  for  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ . <sup>*b*</sup>  $wR_2$  is defined as  $\{\Sigma[w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2] / \Sigma w(F_o^2)^2\}^{\frac{1}{2}}$  for  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ .

Table 4.6. Experimental Geometrical Parameters in [Cs][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>]·CH<sub>3</sub>CN

Bond Len	gths (Å)	Bond Angles (°)						
Os(1)-O(1)	1.692(2)	O(1)-Os(1)-O(2)	101.65(7)	N(1)-C(1)-C(2)	179.4(3)			
Os(1)-O(2)	1.731(1)	O(1)-Os(1)-F(1)	164.66(9)	C(1)-C(2)-H(1)	106(2)			
Os(1)-F(1)	1.960(2)	O(1)-Os(1)-F(2)	89.80(7)	C(1)-C(2)-H(2)	111(2)			
Os(1)-F(2)	1.959(1)	O(2)-Os(1)-O(2A)	99.76(9)	H(1)-C(2)-H(2)	107(2)			
C(1)-C(2)	1.455(4)	O(2)-Os(1)-F(1)	88.11(6)					
C(1)-N(1)	1.136(4)	O(2)-Os(1)-F(2)	88.20(6)					
C(2)-H(1)	0.99(4)	O(2)-Os(1)-F(2A)	164.31(6)					
C(2)-H(2)	0.93(3)	F(1)-Os(1)-F(2)	78.60(5)					
		F(2)-Os(1)-F(2A)	81.09(7)					



**Figure 4.6.** Structural unit in the X-ray crystal structure of [Cs][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>]·CH<sub>3</sub>CN with thermal ellipsoids drawn at the 70% probability level.

(Figure 4.6). The  $Cs^+$  and  $OsO_3F_3^-$  ions are well isolated with the shortest contacts between the cation and anion being slightly over 3 Å. Each  $Cs^+$  cation has twelve contacts to either fluorine, oxygen, or nitrogen atoms.

The Cs<sup>+</sup> cations, OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> anions and CH<sub>3</sub>CN molecules stack in separate columns, without alternation, along the *a*- and *b*-axes (Figure B1). The Cs<sup>+</sup> cations, OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> anions and CH<sub>3</sub>CN molecules alternate, in that order, in a column along the *c*-axis. The resulting O…F and O…C contacts between nearest-neighbor ion pairs are long<sup>201</sup> and near the sum of the van der Waals radii for oxygen and fluorine.<sup>165, 202</sup>

The  $OsO_3F_3^-$  anion has a *fac*-trioxo geometry and the Os atom is displaced towards the centroid of the three facial oxygen atoms similar to the K<sup>+</sup>,<sup>26</sup> N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>,<sup>23</sup> XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup>,<sup>203</sup> and Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup> <sup>203</sup> salts of OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>. The geometrical parameters of the OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> anion are in good agreement with those reported for the K<sup>+</sup>,<sup>26</sup> N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>,<sup>23</sup> XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup>,<sup>203</sup> and Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup> <sup>203</sup> salts. The Os(1)–O(2) bond length (1.731(1) Å) is longer than the Os(1)–O(1) bond length (1.692(2) Å) because of a short interaction between O(2) and Cs(1) (3.252(2) Å). In contrast, there is no short contact between O(1) and Cs(1). The Os–O(1) bond length is similar to those of the K<sup>+</sup> (1.698(2)Å),<sup>26</sup> N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> (1.70(1) - 1.73(1) Å),<sup>23</sup> XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> (1.692(3) - 1.701(3) Å),<sup>203</sup> and Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup> (1.697(3), 1.703(2) Å)<sup>203</sup> salts. The Os–F(1,2) bond lengths (1.959(1), 1.960(2) Å) are similar to those of the N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> salt (1.91(1) - 1.97(1) Å)<sup>23</sup> and are slightly elongated when compared with those of the K<sup>+</sup> salt (1.919(15) Å)<sup>26</sup> but they are not as long as those of the highly associated XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> (2.006(2) - 2.028(2) Å)<sup>203</sup> and Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup> (2.001(2) and 2.004(2) Å)<sup>203</sup> salts.

#### 4.2.6. Computational Results

The AX<sub>4</sub> coupling pattern observed in the <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra (see Section 4.2.3) is consistent with a MCTP ( $C_{2\nu}$ ) isomer (Figure 4.4a). Consequently, this geometry was the starting geometry and optimized at the SVWN and B3LYP levels of theory resulting in stationary points with one negative frequency. The negative frequency was followed, and resulted in stationary points with a geometry corresponding to a *cis*-PBP ( $C_s$ ) isomer (Figure 4.4b) with one negative frequency at the B3LYP level only. In the case of the B3LYP-optimized geometry, the negative frequency was once again followed and resulted in a stationary point with all frequencies real and a geometry corresponding to a MCO ( $C_s$ ) isomer (Figure 4.4c). This geometry was then optimized at the SVWN level and again resulted in a stationary point with all frequencies real. It is worth noting that the three calculated geometries correspond to the three possible seven-coordinate *cis*-dioxo geometries predicted by the valence shell electron pair repulsion (VSEPR) model of molecular geometry.

The calculated geometries for *trans*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> ( $D_{5h}$ , *trans*-PBP) and OsOF<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> ( $C_{4v}$ ) (Figure 4.3) were optimized at the SVWN and B3LYP levels of theory and resulted in stationary points with all frequencies real. The energy-minimized geometries and vibrational frequencies for *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> ( $C_{2v}$ )<sup>18</sup> were also calculated to serve as benchmarks and for comparison with *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup>. Overall, the SVWN/SDDall geometry and frequencies provided the best agreement for *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> (see Chapter 5) and are therefore used in the following discussions.

#### 4.2.6.1. Relative Stabilities of the OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> Isomers

The relative gas-phase reaction enthalpies and Gibbs free energies were calculated for each isomer at the SVWN and B3LYP levels (Table 4.7). The calculated enthalpies reveal that the *cis*-PBP (1.7 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>), MCO (0 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>), and *trans*-PBP (6.9 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>) isomers are all similar in energy and are favored when compared with the MCTP isomer (47.0 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>). It is reasonable to assume that in solution or in the solid state, these relatively small barriers could be easily overcome, making it possible to observe the MCTP isomer in solution (See Section 4.2.3.) and in the solid state (See Section 4.2.4.).

The most stable gas-phase isomer, MCO, could rearrange in solution through a *cis*-PBP intermediate to a MCTP isomer (Scheme 4.1). Isomerization of the MCO to the *cis*-PBP involves movement of the  $O_1$  atom to a position on the pseudo 5-fold axis. This displacement would result in movement of the  $F_2$  atom into the equatorial plane to form the *cis*-PBP isomer. Rearrangement of the *cis*-PBP to the MCTP would occur when the  $O_2$  atom moves above the equatorial plane, displacing the  $O_1$  atom away from it. The remaining equatorial fluorine atoms would reposition so as to minimize their mutual repulsions.



Scheme 4.1. Possible Isomerization Pathways for OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup>

**Table 4.7.** Calculated Relative Gas Phase  $\Delta G$  and  $\Delta H$  Values for the Monocapped Trigonal Prism (MCTP), Pentagonal Bipyramid (*cis*-PBP), Monocapped Octahedron (MCO), and *trans*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> (*trans*-PBP) Iomers, and for the Inter-Conversion of the MCTP, *cis*-PBP, MCO, and *trans*-PBP Isomers.<sup>*a*</sup>

_	SVWN <sup>c</sup>			SVWN <sup>d</sup>				B3LYP <sup>e</sup>			
Isomer <sup>b</sup>	$\Delta F$	$\Delta H$ $\Delta G$		$\Delta H$		$\Delta G$		$\Delta H$		$\Delta G$	
MCO	0.00	0.0	0	0.00		0.00		0.00		0.00	
cis-PBP	1.73	6.1	6	4.69		-3.4	3	4.26		7.51	
trans-PBP	6.89	11.	80	4.24		9.10		6.10		7.51	
MCTP	46.9	7 53.	12	51.71	1	57.4	2	56.70	)	61.74	
		SVWN <sup>c</sup>		$SVWN^d$		$N^{d}$	B.		B3LY	P <sup>e</sup>	
Isomers	-	$\Delta H$	$\Delta G$		$\Delta H$		$\Delta G$		$\Delta H$		$\Delta G$
cis-PBP to MCTP		45.23	46.96		47.02		60.85		52.44		54.23
MCO to MCTP		46.97	53.12		51.71		57.42		56.70	(	51.74
MCO to cis-PBP		1.74	6.16		4.69		3.43		4.26		7.51
MCTP to trans-PBP		-40.07	-41.32		-47.47		-48.31		-50.60	I -	-51.22
cis-PBP to trans-PBP		5.16	5.64		-0.45		12.53		1.84		3.01
MCO to trans-PBP		6.89	11.80		4.25		9.11		6.10		10.52

<sup>*a*</sup> Zero-point corrected values for each member of an isomer pair were used. Energies are given in kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>*b*</sup> Relative  $\Delta H$  and  $\Delta G$  values with the MCO isomer set to 0. <sup>*c*</sup> The SDDall basis set was used augmented for F and O with two d-type polarization functions. <sup>*d*</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets were used for all atoms. <sup>*e*</sup> The Stuttgart basis set was used for Os with the f functional. The aug-cc-pVTZ basis sets were used for fluorine and oxygen.

#### 4.2.6.2. Calculated Geometries

#### 4.2.6.2.1. OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup>(MCTP, *cis*-PBP, MCO, *trans*-PBP)

The bond length and bond angle trends calculated for the optimized geometries of the MCTP (Figure 4.4a), *cis*-PBP (Figure 4.4b), and MCO (Figure 4.4c) (Table 4.8) are reproduced and are similar at all levels of theory. The Os–O and Os–F bond lengths of all three isomers are elongated when compared with the corresponding Os–O and Os–F bond lengths of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>, consistent with anion formation and more polar-covalent bonding in the anion.

The MCTP geometry  $(C_{2\nu})$  (Figure 4.4a) has four fluorine atoms in the equatorial plane, two *cis*-oxygen atoms above the plane which are trans to the capping fluorine atom that is located below the equatorial plane. The four equatorial fluorine atoms have equivalent Os–F bond lengths (1.948 Å) that are slightly longer than the Os–F bond length of the capping fluorine atom (1.924 Å). The shorter capping Os–F bond length is a result of the *trans*-influence of the Os–O double bonds.

The four equatorial fluorine atoms are bent away from the Os–O double bond domains towards the capping fluorine atom,  $F_5$ , so that the  $F_5$ –Os– $F_{1-4}$  angle (74.8°) is more closed. The equatorial fluorine atoms are not symmetric around the Os atom. The  $F_1$ –Os– $F_4$  bond angle, which is bisected by the Os–O<sub>2</sub> bond is much larger (98.9°) than the  $F_1$ –Os– $F_2$  bond angle that is not bisected by an Os-O bond (73.1°). This opening of the  $F_1$ –Os– $F_4$  bond angle is due to the proximity of the Os– $O_2$  double bond domain, which increases the repulsion between the fluorine atoms. The  $O_1$ –Os– $O_2$  bond angle (89.2°) is close to 90° but is significantly more closed when compared with the calculated

				Bond Le	ngths (A)					
	Monoca	pped Trigonal l	Prism $(C_{2\nu})^a$	Penta	agonal Bipyram	$\operatorname{uid}(C_s)^b$	Monocapped Octahedron $(C_s)^c$			
	$B3LYP^d$	SVWN	SVWN	B3LYP <sup>d</sup>	SVWN <sup>e</sup>	SVWN'	B3LYP <sup>d</sup>	SVWN"	SVWN	
Os–O <sub>1</sub>	1.710	1.709	1.740	1.696	1.696	1.729	1.695	1.695	1.726	
Os–O <sub>2</sub>				1.700	1.698	1.730				
Os–F <sub>1</sub>	1.961	1.925	1.948	1.987	1.948	1.971	2.032	1.984	1.998	
Os-F <sub>2</sub>				1.944	1.915	1.935	1.890	1.869	1.894	
Os-F <sub>3</sub>							1.955	1.924	1.948	
Os–F <sub>4</sub>							1.968	1.930	1.956	
Os–F5	1.927	1.903	1.924	1.932	1.908	1.936				
				Bond A	Angles(°)					
O <sub>1</sub> -Os-O <sub>2</sub>	89.4	89.0	89.2	106.5	107.1	107.9	110.0	110.5	110.8	
O <sub>1</sub> –Os–F <sub>1</sub>	127.0	127.1	127.2	87.0	86.7	86.5	78.1	78.3	78.6	
O <sub>1</sub> -Os-F <sub>2</sub>	76.5	76.6	76.6	91.8	91.9	92.0	115.6	115.6	115.7	
O <sub>1</sub> –Os–F <sub>3</sub>							82.9	81.2	82.8	
O <sub>1</sub> -Os-F <sub>4</sub>							152.9	152.7	152.2	
O1-OS-F3	135.3	135.5	135.4	168.9	168.6	168.1	81.3	81.2	81.0	
O <sub>2</sub> –Os–F <sub>1</sub>				76.2	76.3	76.1				
$O_2 - O_5 - F_2$				140.1	139.8	139.3				
O <sub>2</sub> –Os–F <sub>5</sub>				84.6	84.3	84.0				
F <sub>1</sub> -Os-F <sub>2</sub>	72.9	73.1	73.1	69.6	69.7	69.9	70.1	70.1	70.3	
F <sub>1</sub> -Os-F <sub>3</sub>	149.9	149.8	149.6	141.3	141.4	141.9	128.7	128.6	128.9	
$F_1$ -Os- $F_4$	99.2	98.9	98.8	148.7	148.4	147.6	143.6	143.6	143.6	
F <sub>1</sub> -Os-F <sub>5</sub>	75.0	74.9	74.8	95.9	96. <b>3</b>	96.7				
F2-Os-F3				71.8	71.8	72.1	76.4	76.3	76.2	
F <sub>2</sub> -Os-F <sub>4</sub>				141.3	141.4	141.9	146.3	146.3	146.1	
F2-Os-F5				79.2	78.9	78.5				
F3-Os-F4							77.2	77.3	77.2	
F <sub>3</sub> -Os-F <sub>5</sub>							76.4	76.2	75.7	

**Table 4.8.** Calculated Geometrical Parameters for the Monocapped Trigonal Prismatic, Pentagonal Bipyramidal, and Monocapped Octahedral Isomers of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup>

<sup>*a*</sup> See Figure 4.4a for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*b*</sup> See Figure 4.4b for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*c*</sup> See Figure 4.4c for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*d*</sup> The Stuttgart basis set was used for Os with the f functional. The aug-cc-pVTZ basis sets were used for fluorine and oxygen. <sup>*e*</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets were used for all atoms. <sup>*f*</sup> The SDDall basis set was used augmented for F and O with two d-type polarization functions.

structure of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> (101.4°). This is likely a result of the four equatorial fluorine atoms that cannot be significantly displaced because of the presence of the capping F<sub>5</sub> atom.

The *cis*-PBP isomer (Figure 4.4b) has one oxygen and four fluorine atoms in the equatorial plane with one apical fluorine and one apical oxygen atom so that the two oxygen atoms are cis to one another. The equatorial plane of the pentagonal bipyramid is distorted, with a  $O_1$ -Os- $O_2$  bond angle (107.9°) that is significantly larger than the  $O_1$ -Os- $F_{1,2}$  bond angles (86.5 and 92.0°, respectively). This distortion arises from the greater repulsion interactions that occur between the Os-O double bond domains than between the Os-F single bond domains. Displacement of the  $O_2$  atom below the equatorial plane results in displacement of the  $F_{1,4}$  atoms out of that plane so as to minimize the  $F_{1,4}$ ··· $O_2$  interactions. The apical  $F_5$  atom is not on the pseudo 5-fold axis, so that it avoids the double bond domain of the Os- $O_2$  bond, giving a  $O_1$ -Os- $F_5$  bond angle (168.9°) that deviates significantly from 180°.

The Os– $F_{1,4}$  bond lengths (1.948 Å) are slightly longer than the  $F_{2,3}$  bond lengths (1.935 Å) as a result of the close proximity of the  $F_{1,4}$  atoms to the O<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>1</sub> atoms, with the O<sub>1</sub>–Os– $F_{1,4}$  bond angles (86.5°) being more closed with respect to the O<sub>1</sub>–Os– $F_{2,3}$  bond angles (92.0°). The apical Os– $F_5$  bond length (1.936 Å) is comparable to the Os– $F_{2,3}$  bond lengths because the  $F_5$  atom is approximately trans to O<sub>1</sub> and the  $F_{2,3}$  atoms are nearly trans to O<sub>2</sub>.

The MCO isomer (Figure 4.4c) has two *cis*-oxygen atoms and four fluorine atoms in a pseudo-octahedral arrangement with one capping fluorine atom ( $F_1$ ). The pseudo-
octahedron is severely distorted by the capping fluorine atom which is located in the  $O_1O_2F_2$ -face. The  $O_1$ ,  $O_2$ , and  $F_2$  atoms are pushed away from their ideal octahedral positions by the capping fluorine atoms causing the  $O_1$ –Os– $O_2$  (110.8°) and the  $O_{1,2}$ –Os– $F_2$  (115.7°) bond angles to be much more open relative to the  $O_1$ –Os– $O_2$  (101.4°) and  $O_1$ –Os– $F_3$  (93.9°) bond angles of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> (Figure 5.6a). The F<sub>3</sub>F<sub>4</sub>F<sub>5</sub>-face is slightly closed, with the  $F_{3,5}$ –Os– $F_4$  (76.2°) and  $F_3$ –Os– $F_5$  (75.7°) bond angles more closed than the  $F_1$ –Os– $F_3$  (85.2°) and  $F_1$ –Os– $F_2$  (79.3°) bond angles of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>. The capping fluorine atom is located somewhat closer to the  $F_2$  atom because of the greater steric repulsion of the osmium oxygen double bond domains as opposed to the osmium  $F_1$  single bond domain.

The Os- $F_1$  bond length (1.998 Å) involving the capping fluorine atom is, as expected, the longest of all the Os-F bonds, while the Os- $F_2$  bond is the shortest (1.894 Å). The short Os- $F_2$  bond presumably results because the  $F_2$  atom is not trans to either an O or a fluorine atom and thus the *trans*-influence on that bond is expected to be minimal. The remaining Os-F bond lengths are similar (1.956 and 1.948 Å) and intermediate with respect to the Os- $F_1$  and Os- $F_2$  bond lengths.

The *trans*-PBP isomer (Figure 4.3a and Table 4.9) is based on a  $D_{5h}$  pentagonal bipyramid with two axial oxygen atoms (180°), and five coplanar equatorial fluorine atoms. The Os–O bond length (1.762 Å) is longer than for any of the *cis*-dioxo isomers (vide supra), while the Os–F bond length (1.924 Å) is intermediate with respect to those of the *cis*-dioxo isomers.

	trans-OsO <sub>2</sub> $F_5^{-}(D_{5h})^a$				$OsOF_5(C_{4v})^b$	
		Bo	nd Lengths (Å)			_
	B3LYP <sup>c</sup>	SVWN <sup>d</sup>	SVWN <sup>e</sup>	B3LYP <sup>c</sup>	$SVWN^d$	SVWN <sup>e</sup>
Os–O <sub>1</sub>	1.734	1.732	1.762	1.666	1.667	1.697
Os–F <sub>1</sub>	1.930	1.899	1.924	1.930	1.902	1.920
Os-F <sub>2</sub>				1.895	1.872	1.897
		Bo	ond Angles (°)			
O <sub>1</sub> –Os–O <sub>2</sub>	180.0	180.0	180.0			
$O_1$ – $O_5$ – $F_1$	90.0	90.0	90.0	95.5	95.9	96.2
$O_1$ – $Os$ – $F_2$				180.0	180.0	180
$F_1$ –Os– $F_2$	72.0	72.0	72.0	84.5	84.1	89.3
$F_1$ Os $F_3$	144.0	144.0	144.0	89.5	89.4	83.8
$F_1$ -Os- $F_4$				169.0	168.3	167.5

Table 4.9.	Calculated	Geometrical	Parameters	for trans-	OsO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>5</sub> <sup>-</sup>	and OsOF5
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<sup>*a*</sup> See Figure 4.3a for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*b*</sup> See Figure 4.3b for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*c*</sup> The Stuttgart basis set was used for Os with the f functional. The aug-cc-pVTZ basis sets were used for fluorine and oxygen. <sup>*d*</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets were used for all atoms. <sup>*e*</sup> The SDDall basis set was used augmented for F and O with two d-type polarization functions.

#### 4.2.6.2.2. OsOF5

The OsOF<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> anion is octahedral with  $C_{4\nu}$  symmetry (Figure 4.3b and Table 4.9). The Os–F<sub>2</sub> bond length (1.897 Å) trans to the axial oxygen atom is shorter than the Os–F<sub>1</sub> bond length (1.920 Å) for the four equatorial fluorine atoms contrary to the valence shell electron repulsion (VSEPR) model. For OsOF<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup>, the fluorine atoms in the equatorial planes bend away from the axial oxygen atom so that the O<sub>1</sub>–Os–F<sub>1</sub> bond angle (96.2°) is much larger than 90° due to the greater steric requirements of the oxygen double bond domain compared to a fluorine single bond.

#### **4.2.6.3.** Calculated Frequencies

The vibrational frequencies and intensities of the MCTP, *cis*-PBP, MCO (Table 4.10), *trans*-PBP, and  $OsOF_5^-$  (Table 4.11) have been calculated at the B3LYP and SVWN levels of theory. This was done to demonstrate that the only isomer present in the Raman spectrum of  $OsO_2F_5^-$  was the MCTP isomer (see Section 4.2.4).

The MCO and *trans*-PBP isomers show small differences between the symmetric and asymmetric  $v(OsO_2)$  stretches ( $\Delta v = 11$  and 7 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively) when compared with the experimental difference ( $\Delta v = 95$  cm<sup>-1</sup>). As a result, the presence of the MCO and *trans*-PBP isomers can be ruled out.

The *cis*-PBP isomer can also be ruled out because the intensities of the symmetric and asymmetric  $v(OsO_2)$  stretches are predicted to be nearly equivalent, whereas the symmetric stretch in the experimental spectrum is much more intense than the asymmetric stretch.

Monocapped Trigonal Prism $(C_{2\nu})^b$				Pe	ntagonal Bipyrami	$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{C}_{s}}^{c}$	Monocapped Octahedron $(C_s)^d$				
B3LYP*	SVWN	SVWN <sup>g</sup>	_	B3LYP <sup>e</sup>	SVWN	SVWN <sup>g</sup>		B3LYP <sup>e</sup>	SVWN	SVWN <sup>g</sup>	
942(40)[91]	937(40)[86]	895(36)[80]	- A <sub>1</sub>	974(33)[119]	966(28)[122]	936(23)[123]	A'	970(43)[62]	960(43)[58]	920(41)[55]	A'
883(17)[154]	891(16)[148]	861(16)[134]	$B_2$	946(26)[128]	942(28)[107]	907(30)[84]	A'	969(12)[174]	963(11)[159]	931(12)[142]	A''
597(22)[95]	631(20)[96]	623(22)[90]	A	599(17)[123]	632(17)[114]	616(19)[102]	A'	619(17)[109]	649(17)[104]	630(19)[96]	A'
554(2)[158]	594(2)[160]	585(2)[156]	$B_i$	547(<1)[146]	587(<1)[181]	578(<1)[179]	A"	557(2)[169]	599(1)[172]	588(2)[168]	A'
549(1)[18]	555(2)[14]	534(4)[9]	A <sub>1</sub>	531(8)[56]	565(8)[54]	547(10)[54]	A'	510(3)[35]	540(4)[42]	525(5)[41]	-A''
514(4)[0]	540(4)[0]	522(6)[0]	A <sub>2</sub>	523(<1)[39]	538(<1)[2]	517(1)[<1]	Α"	498(4)[14]	531(4)[17]	517(6)[18]	A'
489(3)[51]	527(3)[55]	517(4)[57]	$B_2$	486(4)[6]	519(4)[11]	505(8)[13]	A'	474(8)[2]	498(4)[2]	489(6)[4]	A'
463(2)[10]	469(2)[4]	441(3)[2]	B1	447(8)[3]	463(6)[2]	440(5)[1]	A'	438(3)[2]	451(3)[1]	424(3)[1]	A'
448(9)[<1]	470(7)[<1]	453(8)[<0.1]	A <sub>1</sub>	403(8)[<1]	426(7)[<1]	412(8)[<0.1]	Α"	431(6)[11]	331(5)[7]	410(5)[4]	A"
373(<0.1)[18]	379(<1)[13]	353(<1)[11]	$B_2$	383(6)[7]	383(5)[6]	361(6)[4]	A'	354(5)[10]	363(4)[10]	345(4)[9]	A'
370(<1)[16]	374(<1)[17]	353(<1)[15]	A <sub>1</sub>	354(1)[15]	361(1)[19]	338(1)[10]	Α"	342(3)[10]	349(3)[8]	329(3)[8]	Α'
362(<0.1)[40]	362(<1)[36]	335(<1)[26]	$B_1$	328(<1)[17]	335(<1)[20]	315(<1)[16]	A'	321(2)[21]	330(2)[22]	313(2)[16]	A'
347(9)[0]	359(6)[0]	338(6)[0]	A <sub>2</sub>	322(4)[59]	336(3)[50]	316(4)[45]	Α"	320(<1)[7]	329(<0.1)[9]	306(<1)[7]	A''
334(4)[31]	339(3)[26]	316(3)[20]	$B_2$	313(2)[40]	321(1)[32]	301(2)[29]	A'	303(3)[59]	314(1)[58]	294(1)[47]	A'
311(<1)[1]	311(<1)[1]	294(<1)[2]	Bı	261(1)[3]	265(1)[2]	247(1)[3]	A'	303(4)[31]	311(3)[22]	289(3)[22]	Α"
266(4)[3]	270(3)[2]	261(4)[1]	A <sub>1</sub>	227(<0.1)[10]	235(<1)[7]	224(<1)[6]	Α"	276(<1)[<1]	283(<0.1)[<1]	257(<1)[1]	Α"
54(2)[0]	73(1)[0]	61(1)[0]	A <sub>2</sub>	95(1)[2]	103(1)[2]	102(1)[2]	A'	159(<1)[4]	157(<1)[3]	152(<1)[3]	A'
-103(<1)[2]	-102(<1)[1]	-97(<1)[1]	$B_2$	-37(<1)[3]	5(<1)[3]	-31(<1)[3]	A"	79(<1)[<1]	76(<1)[<1]	58(<1)[<1]	Α"

# **Table 4.10.** Calculated Frequencies and Intensities for the Monocapped Trigonal Prismatic, Pentagonal Bipyramidal, and<br/>Monocapped Octahedral Isomers of cis-OsO2F5<sup>-a</sup>

<sup>*a*</sup> Values in parentheses denote calculated Raman Intensities ( $Å^4 u^{-1}$ ) and values in square brackets denote calculated infrared intensities (km mol<sup>-1</sup>). <sup>*b*</sup> See Figure 4.4a for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*c*</sup> See Figure 4.4b for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*d*</sup> See Figure 4.4c for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*e*</sup> The Stuttgart basis set was used for Os with the f functional. The aug-cc-pVTZ basis sets were used for fluorine and oxygen. <sup>*f*</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets were used for all atoms. <sup>*g*</sup> The SDDall basis set was used augmented for F and O with two d-type polarization functions.

	trans-OsO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>5</sub> <sup>-</sup> (.	$D_{5h})^{b}$			$OsOF_5(C_{4\nu})^c$		
B3LYP <sup>d</sup>	SVWN	SVW№		B3LYP <sup>d</sup>	SVWN	SVWN	_
927(0)[256]	921(0)[241]	897(0)[211]	A2"	1051(36)[148]	1036(33)[139]	1004(33)[138]	A <sub>1</sub>
945(56)[0]	930(55)[0]	890(55)[0]	$A_1'$				
				634(21)[100]	659(20)[84]	652(25)[74]	$A_1$
594(29)[0]	625(24)[0]	612(26)[0]	A <sub>1</sub> '	589(<0.1)[236]	623(<0.1)[215]	624(<0.1)[212]	Ε
578(0)[178]	614(0)[185]	608(0)[180]	E <sub>1</sub> '	570(8)[0]	603(8)[0]	598(11)[0]	B2
				548(6)[44]	576(6)[43]	570(8)[44]	$A_1$
501(1)[0]	524(1)[0]	512(2)[0]	E2'				
417(7)[0]	434(5)[0]	419(5)[0]	E2'				
373(6)[0]	369(5)[0]	346(6)[0]	E1"				
329(0)[8]	332(0)[8]	311(0)[8]	A2"				
308(0)[30]	318(0)[37]	298(0)[29]	E <sub>1</sub> ′	307(3)[4]	303(3)[2]	293(4)[2]	Е
				282(<1)[10]	280(<0.1)[10]	269(<0.1)[11]	Е
				250(<1)[26]	248(<1)[23]	238(<1)[23]	Aı
181(0)[0]	179(0)[0]	169(0)[0]	E2"	183(<1)[0]	183(<1)[0]	174(<1)[0]	$B_2$
				160(1)[12]	155(<1)[12]	146(1)[11]	Е
				178(3)[0]	139(3)[0]	142(3)[0]	$B_1$
122(0)[39]	140(0)[37]	115(0)[36]	E <sub>1</sub> '				

#### **Table 4.11.** Calculated Frequencies and Intensities for *trans*-OsO<sub>2</sub> $F_5^-$ and OsOF<sub>5</sub><sup>-a</sup>

<sup>*a*</sup> Values in parentheses denote calculated Raman Intensities ( $Å^4 u^{-1}$ ) and values in square brackets denote calculated infrared intensities (km mol<sup>-1</sup>). <sup>*b*</sup> See Figure 4.3a for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*c*</sup> See Figure 4.3b for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*d*</sup> The Stuttgart basis set was used for Os with the f functional. The aug-cc-pVTZ basis sets were used for fluorine and oxygen. <sup>*e*</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets were used for all atoms. <sup>*f*</sup> The SDDall basis set was used augmented for F and O with two d-type polarization functions.

Only one Os–O stretching mode (1004 cm<sup>-1</sup>) is predicted for the OsOF<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> anion which occurs to higher frequency of the two OsO<sub>2</sub> modes calculated for the OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> isomers (See Tables 4.10 and 4.11). It is proposed that the weak modes observed at 949 (Cs<sup>+</sup>), 977 (N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>), and 967 (NO<sup>+</sup>) cm<sup>-1</sup> may correspond to the v(OsO) mode of OsOF<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup>. The totally symmetric v(OsF<sub>1</sub>) + v(OsF<sub>2</sub>) stretching mode (652 cm<sup>-1</sup>) of OsOF<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> is predicted to occur at higher frequency than the totally symmetric mode of the MCTP isomer (623 cm<sup>-1</sup>). It is proposed that the weak modes observed at 646 (Cs<sup>+</sup>), 645 (N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>), and 639 (NO<sup>+</sup>) cm<sup>-1</sup> may correspond to the totally symmetric Os–F mode in OsOF<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup>.

#### 4.2.6.4. Charges, Valencies, and Bond Orders

The NBO analyses were carried out for the optimized gas-phase geometries of the MCTP, *cis*-PBP, MCO (Table B1), *trans*-PBP, and  $OsOF_5^-$  (Table B2). The NBO analyses give natural population analysis (NPA) charges for Os that are similar for all Os(VIII) compounds (1.93 to 1.99) and are similar to that of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> (1.96) (Table 5.6), while the OsOF<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> anion has a smaller charge (1.87) owing to the lower formal oxidation state of osmium. The NPA charges of the fluorine (-0.39 to -0.50) and oxygen (-0.35 to -0.46) atoms are more negative compared to the fluorine (-0.36 and -0.38) and oxygen (-0.23) atoms of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>, which is consistent with the negative charge of the anion. The negative charges on the light atoms and positive charges of the osmium atom indicate that the bonds formed with the osmium atom are polar covalent. Overall, the negative charges on the light atoms of the OsOF<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> anion (-0.45, -0.51, and -0.36) are somewhat more

negative than those of the  $OsO_2F_5^-$  anion owing to the reduced number of ligands on the Os(VI) anion.

The Os–O bond orders of all species (0.76 to 0.91) are approximately twice the Os–F bond orders (0.37 to 0.45). The relative bond orders are consistent with the formal bond orders of two for the Os–O bonds and one for the Os–F bonds. The Os–F<sub>5</sub> bond order (0.41) of the MCTP isomer is very similar to the Os–F<sub>1.4</sub> bond orders (0.40). The Os–F<sub>1.4</sub> bond orders (0.39) of the *cis*-PBP isomer may be marginally less than the Os–F<sub>2.3</sub> (0.41) and Os–F<sub>5</sub> (0.41) bond orders because the F<sub>1</sub> and F<sub>4</sub> atoms are repelled by the *cis*-dioxo group creating a longer Os–F<sub>1.4</sub> bond length (see Section 4.2.6).

The largest Os–F bond order for the MCO isomer occurs for the Os–F<sub>2</sub> bond (0.45). The F<sub>2</sub> atom is located in the same plane as the oxygen atoms and is not affected by the *trans*-influence of the oxygen atoms, while the  $F_{3,4,5}$  atoms are in a plane below the oxygen and capping fluorine (F<sub>1</sub>) atoms and, as a result, have somewhat lower bond orders (0.40 and 0.39). The capping F<sub>1</sub> atom has the smallest Os–F bond order (0.37) and the longest bond length of all of the fluorine atoms because of greater steric repulsions involving the capping atom.

The Os- $F_1$  bond order (0.41) of the OsOF<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> anion is less than the Os- $F_2$  bond order (0.44) owing to the increased steric repulsions in the equatorial plane which increase the Os- $F_1$  bond length as opposed to the axial Os- $F_2$  bond.

#### 4.3. Conclusions

The *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> anion has been synthesized as its Cs<sup>+</sup>, N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>, and NO<sup>+</sup> salts and represents the only example of an anion derived from *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>. The AX<sub>4</sub> coupling pattern observed in the <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra is assigned to *cis*-dioxo monocapped trigonal prismatic isomer OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup>. This isomer has four equatorial fluorine atoms, one capping fluorine atom and two *cis*-dioxo oxygen atoms trans to the capping fluorine atom. The Raman spectra have also been fully assigned based on the calculated geometry, frequencies, and intensities of the monocapped trigonal prismatic isomer. The calculated gas-phase reaction enthalpies for the interconversion of the possible seven-coordinate isomers of  $OsO_2F_5^-$  were determined and reveal that all of the isomers are relatively similar in energy with the monocapped octahedron being favored and the monocapped trigonal prism being least favored. However, the energy differences for interconversion between the *cis*-dioxo isomers are relatively small and may be expected to be influenced by the solvent medium. The attempted synthesis of  $OsOF_5^-$  from  $OsOF_4$  revealed that osmium was easily oxidized to the +8 oxidation state yielding *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup>.

#### CHAPTER 5

### X-RAY CRYSTAL STRUCTURE AND RAMAN SPECTRA OF *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> AND THE CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> ANION

#### 5.1. Introduction

Osmium dioxide tetrafluoride, cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>, is one of the two neutral oxide fluorides of Os(VIII) that are known, the other being OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> ((*fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub> $\infty$ </sub>;<sup>19</sup> (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>18</sup>). It is synthesized by reaction of OsO<sub>4</sub> or OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> with KrF<sub>2</sub> in anhydrous HF (eqs 5.1 and 5.2) and is a deep magenta-colored solid.<sup>13</sup> The *cis*-dioxo geometry of

$$OsO_4 + 2KrF_2 \xrightarrow{HF} cis-OsO_2F_4 + 2Kr + O_2$$
(5.1)

$$OsO_{3}F_{2} + KrF_{2} \xrightarrow{HF} cis OsO_{2}F_{4} + Kr + \frac{1}{2}O_{2}$$
(5.2)

*cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> has been confirmed by <sup>19</sup>F NMR, vibrational spectroscopy, and gas-phase electron diffraction.<sup>20</sup> The <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> consists of an A<sub>2</sub>X<sub>2</sub> spin coupling pattern and, in addition, provides a rare example of an Os(VIII) species for which <sup>187</sup>Os satellites are observed. The <sup>187</sup>Os chemical shift (1431  $\pm$  10 ppm) was also determined by inverse correlation using <sup>19</sup>F as the observed nuclide.<sup>20</sup> The X-ray crystal structure of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> has previously been reported, but was severely disordered and twinned and did not allow for a definitive assignment of one O and one F atom, therefore an accurate determination of the geometrical parameters was not possible.<sup>11</sup>

The present work describes four X-ray crystal structures that contain isolated cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> molecules in which the positions of the oxygen and fluorine atoms are unambiguously assigned. Three of these structures provide the first examples of non-

coordinated  $CH_2CN^-$  anions. In an separate study, the [K][ $CH_2CN$ ] salt was also synthesized and the anion was characterized by Raman spectroscopy. The optimized structures of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>, *cis*-Os<sup>18</sup>O<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>, and  $CH_2CN^-$  have been obtained and used to aid in the assignments of the Raman spectra.

#### 5.2. Results and Discussion

#### 5.2.1. Syntheses of $[M][OsO_2F_5]$ (M = Cs<sup>+</sup> and N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>)

The salt,  $[Cs][OsO_2F_5]$ , was synthesized by the direct fusion of *cis*-OsO\_2F\_4 (m.p. 90 °C)<sup>20</sup> with powdered [Cs][F] above 90 °C forming an orange powder (eq 5.3) as previously described (See Chapter 4), whereas the  $[N(CH_3)_4][OsO_2F_5]$  salt was synthesized by reaction  $[N(CH_3)_4][F]$  with *cis*-OsO\_2F\_4 in liquid FNO at -78 °C (eq 5.4) as previously described (See Chapter 4).

$$cis-OsO_2F_4 + [Cs][F] \xrightarrow{90 \, ^{\circ}C} [Cs][OsO_2F_5]$$
(5.3)

$$cis-OsO_2F_4 + [N(CH_3)_4][F] \xrightarrow{FNO}{-78 \, {}^{\circ}C} > [N(CH_3)_4][OsO_2F_5]$$
 (5.4)

# 5.2.2. Syntheses of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF, cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] and cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]

Crystalline *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF was obtained from a solution of [Cs][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>] dissolved in CH<sub>3</sub>CN and was obtained as orange plates that grew over a period of 11 h as the solution was slowly cooled from 0 to -35 °C. Crystalline *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] was obtained from an CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution containing 1 mol of [Cs][OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>] and 1 mol of [Cs][F], which deposited as red plates over a period of 3h at 0 °C. Crystalline *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] was obtained from an CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution

of  $[N(CH_3)_4][OsO_2F_5]$  and grew as red needles by slow cooling of the CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution from -15 to -28 °C over a period of 13 h.

The formation of the  $CH_2CN^-$  anion likely occurs by a mechanism in which  $OsO_2F_5^-$  dissociates to form the weak Lewis acid *cis*- $OsO_2F_4$  and  $F^-$  (eq 5.5) followed by proton abstraction from the CH<sub>3</sub>CN solvent by  $F^-$  to form HF and  $CH_2CN^-$  (eq 5.6). This is similar

$$OsO_2F_5^- \longrightarrow cis-OsO_2F_4 + F^-$$
(5.5)

$$F^- + CH_3CN \xrightarrow{CH_3CN} CH_2CN^- + HF$$
 (5.6)

to anhydrous [N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][F], so called "naked fluoride", which is able to abstract a fluoride ion from CH<sub>3</sub>CN, initially forming CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> (eq 5.6),<sup>54</sup> which subsequently reacts with an additional CH<sub>3</sub>CN molecule and a proton to form the condensation product, (H<sub>2</sub>N)(H<sub>3</sub>C)C=C(H)(CN) (eq 5.7).<sup>53</sup>

$$CH_2CN^- + H^+ + CH_3CN \xrightarrow{CH_3CN} (H_2N)(H_3C)C = C(H)(CN)$$
 (5.7)

#### 5.2.3. cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> Crystal Growth

Crystalline *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> forms thin hexagonal platelets when obtained by vacuum sublimation or by slow growth from HF and is prone to multiple twinning. For this reason, a non-disordered single crystal structure has not been reported. The previously reported crystal structure was determined from crystals grown by sublimation,<sup>11</sup> which were twinned. Moreover, the structure also suffered from a positional disorder. Repeated attempts, in the present work, to grow single crystals by slowly cooling of an HF solution of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> also yielded multiply twinned crystals.

An ordered single-crystal structure of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> was obtained from crystals that had been grown over a period of 4 days by the co-sublimation of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> and XeF<sub>6</sub> from a melt (45 °C) comprised of a ca. 1:5 stoichiometric ratio cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> dissolved in XeF<sub>6</sub>. Crystals of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> grew as purple hexagonal plates and XeF<sub>6</sub> grew as colorless blocks in the cooler portions of the reactor while the solution in the bottom of the FEP vessel was maintained at 45 °C. As crystal growth proceeded, some of the purple plates became encased in colorless blocks of XeF<sub>6</sub>. Examination of the crystals under a microscope revealed that the purple plates encased in XeF<sub>6</sub> were of better quality than the crystals that were not encased, which was likely a result of the outer XeF<sub>6</sub> layer preventing further growth of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>, therefore limiting the degree of twinning. The encased purple crystals were carefully broken out of the larger XeF<sub>6</sub> crystal at low temperature in the crystal mounting apparatus (See Section 2.11.2) and proved to be suitable for a single-crystal X-ray structure determination.

#### 5.2.4. Synthesis of [K][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]

The salt, [K][CH<sub>2</sub>CN], was prepared by a method similar to that used to synthesize [Na][CH<sub>2</sub>CN],<sup>55</sup> i.e., by reacting [K][((CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Si)<sub>2</sub>N] with CH<sub>3</sub>CN in  $(CH_3CH_2)_2O$  (eq 5.8).<sup>55</sup>

$$[K][((CH_3)_3Si)_2N] + CH_3CN \xrightarrow{Et_2O} [K][CH_2CN] + ((CH_3)_3Si)_2NH$$
(5.8)

The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of [K][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] recorded in liquid NH<sub>3</sub> consisted of a singlet ( $\delta(^{1}H) = 1.68$  ppm) assigned to the CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> anion. This peak is shifted to higher frequency compared to that of [Li][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] in DMSO (1.15 ppm)<sup>60</sup> and [Na][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] in pyridine (0.93 ppm).<sup>55</sup> The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum recorded in liquid NH<sub>3</sub> consisted of a singlet ( $\delta(^{13}C) = 47.6$  ppm) which is assigned to the terminal CH<sub>2</sub> group which was not

reported in the earlier studies. The  ${}^{1}J({}^{1}H-{}^{13}C)$  coupling constant was not observed in either the  ${}^{1}H$  or  ${}^{13}C$  spectra.

### 5.2.5. X-ray Crystal Structures of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN], *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF, *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][CH<sub>2</sub>CN], and *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>

Details of data collection parameters and other crystallographic information are provided in Table 5.1. Selected bond lengths and bond angles for cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> and CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> are listed in Tables 5.2 and 5.3, respectively. A complete list of bond lengths and bond angles are provided in Table C1.

The crystal structure of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> has been previously reported and did not allow confirmation of the cis-dioxo geometry or an accurate determination of bond lengths and bond angles. This resulted from crystal twinning, absorption problems associated with thin plates, and inability to distinguish between  $P6_1$  and  $P6_5$  for the space group of the unit cell.<sup>11</sup>

The present cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> crystal used for data collection and refinement (Figure 5.1a) was doubly twinned (merohedral and racemic) but not disordered so that the geometrical parameters are accurately determined. The positions of the oxygen and fluorine atoms were located from the difference map and were assigned based on their relative bond lengths and angles. The cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> units pack (Figure 5.1b) in columns along the *a*- and *b*-axes and with a distorted right-handed helical chain orientation of six cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> molecules along the *c*-axis similar to the previously published structure.<sup>11</sup>

	cis-OsO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub> ·[Cs][CH <sub>2</sub> CN]	cis-OsO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub> ·[N(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> ][CH <sub>2</sub> CN]	cis-OsO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub> ·[Cs][CH <sub>2</sub> CN]·0.3HF	cis-OsO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub>
chem formula	$Os_8O_{16}F_{32}C_{16}H_{16}N_8Cs_8$	$Os_2O_4F_8C_{12}H_{28}N_4$	$Os_8O_{16}F_{35.3}C_{16}H_{19.3}N_8Cs_8$	Os <sub>6</sub> O <sub>12</sub> F <sub>24</sub>
space group	$C_{2/m}$	$P\overline{1}$	$C_m$	<i>P</i> 6(5)
a (Å)	12.1015(8)	7.9103(4)	11.0712(5)	4.8915(4)
b (Å)	12.1461(8)	7.9355(4)	12.2469(5)	4.8915(4)
c (Å)	11.3504(8)	9.4939(5)	12.1389(5)	27.229(3)
a (deg)	90	106.961(3)	90	90
β (deg)	103.133(4)	91.832(3)	90.540(2)	90
γ (deg)	90	90.376(3)	90	120
$V(Å^3)$	1624.7(2)	596.66(6)	1645.8(1)	564.2(1)
molecules/unit cell	8	2	8	6
mol wt (g mol <sup>-1</sup> )	3769.25	824.78	3817.27	1789.20
calcd density (g cm <sup>-3</sup> )	3.852	2.404	3.851	5.266
<i>T</i> (⁰C)	-173	-173	-173	-173
$\mu$ (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	20.14	11.23	19.89	33.89
$R_I^{a}$	0.0352	0.0387	0.0442	0.0483
$wR_2^{b}$	0.0528	0.0841	0.1118	0.0575

# **Table 5.1.**CrystallographicDataforcis-OsO2F4·[Cs][CH2CN],cis-OsO2F4·[N(CH3)4][CH2CN],cis-OsO2F4·[Cs][CH2CN]·nHF, and cis-OsO2F4

<sup>*a*</sup>  $R_1$  is defined as  $\Sigma \|F_0\| - \|F_c\|/\Sigma\|F_0\|$  for  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ . <sup>*b*</sup>  $wR_2$  is defined as  $\{\Sigma[w(F_0^2 - F_c^2)^2]/\Sigma w(F_0^2)^2\}^{\frac{1}{2}}$  for  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ .

**Table 5.2.** Selected Experimental Geometrical Parameters for cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> in the X-ray Crystal Structures of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN], cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN], cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF, and cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> and Calculated Geometrical Parameters for cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>a</sup>

			calcd					
	<i>cis-</i> OsO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub> [Cs]	$\begin{array}{ccc} cis-OsO_2F_4 \\ \hline cis-OsO_2F_4 \\ \hline O_2F_4 \\ \hline Cs][CH_2CN] \\ \hline O_2F_4 \\ \hline O_2$				SVWN <sup>b</sup>	B3LYP <sup>c</sup>	PBE1PBE <sup>c</sup>
			Bon	d Lengths (A)				
Os(1)-O(1)	1.696(3)	1.698(4)	1.756(3)	1.724(10)	1.704(10)	1.717	1.688	1.673
Os(1)-O(2) Os(1)-F(1)	1.050(0)	1.966(4)	1.956(3)	1.948(8)	1.916(8)	1.892	1.887	1.872
Os(1) - F(2)	1.958(2)	1.945(3)	1.937(3)	1.958(8)	1.914(8)			
Os(1)-F(3)	1.890(3)	1.889(2)	1.911(2)	1.909(8)	1.839(10)	1.858	1.857	1.840
Os(1)-F(4)	1.886(3)		1.865(3)	1.888(8)	1.837(8)			
			Bo	nd Angles (°)				
O(1)-Os(1)-O(2)	107.3(2)	106.9(2)	105.1(2)	109.8(5)	102.8(7)	101.4	100.8	100.9
O(1)-Os(1)-F(1)	88.2(1)	87.2(2)	86.0(2)	86.5(4)	89.4(4)	89.6	89.6	89.6
O(1)-Os(1)-F(2)	164.5(1)	163.7(2)	165.2(2)	164.6(4)	168.9(6)	168.9	169.6	169.5
O(1)-Os(1)-F(3)	92.6(1)	92.70(8)	90.5(1)	91.8(5)	93.6(6)	93.9	93.9	94.0
O(1)-Os(1)-F(4)	92.4(1)		92.4(2)	92.0(4)	94.3(4)			
O(2)-Os(1)-F(1)		165.9(2)	168.6(2)	163.7(4)	167.8(6)			
O(2)-Os(1)-F(2)		89.4(2)	89.6(2)	85.7(4)	88.4(4)			
O(2)-Os(1)-F(3)		92.27(8)	92.2(2)	93.0(4)	95.1(4)			
O(2)-Os(1)-F(4)			95.7(2)	93.2(5)	93.7(5)			
F(1)-Os(1)-F(2)	76.4(2)	76.5(2)	79.2(1)	78.1(3)	79.5(5)	79.3	80.0	79.9
F(1)-Os(1)-F(3)	86.5(1)	86.94(9)	84.8(1)	93.2(5)	84.1(5)	85.2	85.3	85.2
F(1)-Os(1)-F(4)	86.8(1)		86.5(1)	87.1(3)	85.1(4)			
F(2)-Os(1)-F(3)		86.51(8)	87.7(1)	86.2(3)	85.0(3)			
F(2)-Os(1)-F(4)			87.3(1)	88.0(5)	85.1(5)			
F(3)-Os(1)-F(4)	171.5(2)	171.6(2)	170.6(1)	171.1(3)	166.6(6)	167.5	167.8	167.5

<sup>*a*</sup> See Figure 5.6a for the atom labeling scheme of one cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> molecule, and Table C1 for a complete listing of bond lengths and bond angles. <sup>*b*</sup> The SDDall basis set augmented for F and O with two d-type polarization functions was used. <sup>*c*</sup> The Stuttgart basis set with the f functional was used for Os and the aug-cc-pVTZ basis sets were used for all other

**Table 5.3.** Selected Experimental Geometrical Parameters for CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> in the X-ray Crystal Structures of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN], *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][CH<sub>2</sub>CN], and *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF and the Calculated Geometrical Parameters for CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>- a</sup>

	exptl							calcd	
	cis-OsO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub>	cis-OsO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub>				B3LYP <sup>b</sup>	B3LYP <sup>e</sup>	PBE1PBE <sup>b</sup>	PBE1PBE <sup>e</sup>
	$[Cs][CH_2CN]$	$[N(CH_3)_4][CH_2CN]$	cis-OsO	2F4 [Cs][CH2C	N]-0.3HF				
			Bor	nd Lengths (Å	)				
C(1)–C(2)	1.449(7)	1.469(6)	1.48(3)	1.42(3)	1.42(3)	1.400	1.380	1.396	1.379
C(2)-N(1)	1.136(6)	1.144(6)	1.15(3)	1.15(3)	1.15(3)	1.182	1.179	1.181	1.178
C(1) - H(1A)	0.81(6)	0.905	0.83	1.09	0.97	1.099	1.082	1.098	1.083
C(1)-H(1B)	0.81(6)	0.928	1.50	1.09	0.97				
N(1) - F(13)			1.57(4)	1.61(6)	1.28(6)				
			Bor	d Angles (deg	)				
C(1)-C(2)-N(1)	179.7(6)	179.1(5)	175(2)	175(2)	178(2)	176.2	178.3	176.3	178.2
H(1A)-C(1)-H(1B)	102(6)	109.5	135.0	80.9	78.8	113.7	117.6	111.6	117.5
H(1A)-C(1)-C(2)	116(5)	102.5	113.2	108.8	117.7	110.9	119.3	113.9	118.9
H(1B)-C(1)-C(2)	107(5)	106.1	110.6	108.8	117.7				
C(2) - N(1) - F(13)			97(2)	121(3)	94(3)				

<sup>*a*</sup> See Figure 5.6b for the atom labeling scheme and Table C1 for a complete listing of bond lengths and bond angles. <sup>*b*</sup> The 6-21G\* basis set was used. <sup>*c*</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ basis set was used



**Figure 5.1.** (a) Structural unit in the X-ray crystal structure of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> with thermal ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level. (b) The crystallographic unit cell of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> viewed along the *a*-axis.

The cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> molecules are well isolated and the resulting intermolecular contacts are long and near the sums of the van der Waals radii.<sup>165, 204</sup>

The asymmetric units of the *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] (Figure 5.2a), *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF (Figure 5.3), and *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] (Figure 5.2b) consist of well isolated *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup>, and M<sup>+</sup> units (M<sup>+</sup> = Cs<sup>+</sup>, N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>), and the packing (Figures C1-C3) in each structure is similar.<sup>205</sup> The *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] structure displays significant hydrogen bonding between the protons on CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> and an oxygen and a fluorine atom of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> (H(6A)---O(1), 2.568; H(6B)---F(4), 2.497 Å). All of the other intermolecular contacts are long and near the sums of the van der Waals radii.<sup>165, 206-208</sup>

The structure of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF also contains three short N···F contacts (1.606(60), 1.569(36), and 1.280(67) Å) between the CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> anion and the HF molecules. Determination of the fluorine atom position is hampered because it is partially occupied. As a result, it is not possible to specify the hydrogen position of the HF molecule. It is therefore not possible to discuss the position of the HF molecule in an unambiguous fashion. The presence of the HF molecule confirms the mechanism proposed for formation of CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> (eqs 5.5 and 5.6). This structure is unique because there are no free HF molecules in the crystal lattices of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] and *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]; the HF corresponding to these products is likely retained solution.



**Figure 5.2.** Structural units in the X-ray crystal structures of (a) cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] and (b) cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] with thermal ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level.



Figure 5.3. Structural unit in the X-ray crystal structure of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF with thermal ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level.

#### 5.2.5.1. cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>

molecules The  $OsO_2F_4$ in the crystal structures of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>, cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN], cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF, and cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] are pseudo-octahedral with cis-dioxo geometries consistent with the previously published gas-phase electron diffraction structure,<sup>20</sup> and other d<sup>0</sup> transition metal oxide fluorides such as cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>+,139</sup> cis-F(cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sup>+,22</sup> cis-MoO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>2</sub>·2THF (THF = tetrahydrofuran),<sup>44</sup> cis-TcO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>,<sup>47</sup> cis-TcO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>,<sup>46</sup> cis-ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>,<sup>45</sup> cis-ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>,<sup>45</sup>  $\mu$ -F(cis-ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>,<sup>45</sup> and cis-Re<sub>3</sub>O<sub>6</sub>F<sub>10</sub> <sup>45</sup> and has been previously discussed in detail.<sup>139</sup>

The *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF structure contains three distinct *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> molecules, two of which have symmetry imposed 50:50 positional disorders between an oxygen and an axial fluorine atom. The disordered Os–O/F bond length (1.774 (10) Å) is intermediate with respect to the Os–O(1,2) (1.688(12) and 1.724(10) Å) and the axial Os–F(3,4) bond lengths (1.909(8) and 1.888(8) Å, respectively) of the non-disordered *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> molecule in *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF. For the purpose of the current discussion, only the ordered *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> molecule will be discussed in detail.

With the exception of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][CH<sub>2</sub>CN], the Os–O bond lengths for each cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> molecule are equal within ±3 $\sigma$  (see Table 5.2) and are elongated when compared with those of the gas-phase electron diffraction structure (1.674(4) Å).<sup>20</sup> The cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> molecule of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] has Os–O bond lengths that differ significantly (1.670(4) and 1.756(3) Å). The O(1) atom hydrogen bonds to the protons of CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> (H(6A)···O(1), 2.568 Å) and N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> (O(1)···H(1A), 2.686 Å, O(1)···H(3A), 2.655 Å). These hydrogen bonding interactions withdraw electron density from the oxygen atom and elongate the Os–O(1) bond. The shorter Os–O(2) bond length is attributed to greater electron donation from the oxygen *p*-orbitals to the *d*-orbital of the Os atom that results in elongation of the Os–O(1) bond.

In all four structures, the Os–F(1,2) bonds trans to Os–O bonds are longer than the Os–F(3,4) bonds cis to Os–O bonds, in accordance with the electron diffraction study<sup>20</sup> and other d<sup>0</sup> *cis*-dioxo transition metal oxide fluoride species such as *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup>,<sup>139</sup> *cis*-MoO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>2</sub>·2THF (THF = tetrahydrofuran),<sup>44</sup> *cis*-TcO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>-,47</sup> *cis*-TcO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>,<sup>46</sup> *cis*-ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>,<sup>45</sup> and *cis*-ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>-,45</sup> and has been previously discussed in detail for the isovalent TcO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> anion (Tc–F(3,4), 1.876(3); Tc–F(1,2), 1.986(3) Å).<sup>47</sup> The Os–F(3,4) bond lengths in the X-ray crystal structure of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> (1.837(8) and 1.839(10) Å) are similar to those in the electron diffraction study (1.843(3) Å) while the Os–F(1,2) bonds (1.914(8) and 1.916(8) Å) are slightly elongated (1.883(3) Å).<sup>20</sup> It is interesting to note that the Os–F bond lengths determined from the X-ray crystal structure of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> are all shorter than the corresponding Os–F bond lengths for the *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> molecules in the *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN], *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF, and *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] structures.

The *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] structure contains short cation-anion contacts between the O atoms and the H atoms of CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> or N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> (vide supra) resulting in a difference in the Os–F(1,2) bond lengths. The Os–F(1) bond trans to the short Os–O(2) bond (1.937(3) Å) is longer than the Os–F(2) bond trans to the longer Os–O(1) bond (1.956(3) Å). The difference in the Os–F(1,2) bond length is likely also influenced by the F(3,4)····H contacts with the anion and cation in the unit cell where F(4) has only one contact to a proton (F(4)····H(1BA) 2.371 Å), resulting in a shorter Os–F bond length than for F(3) which has two contacts to protons (F(3)····H(2BA/4BA) 2.377/2.376 Å).

The F(3)–Os–F(4) bond angles of all four structures bend away from the oxygen atoms (see Table 5.2) and are similar to the bond angle obtained from the gas-phase electron diffraction study  $(170(4)^{\circ})$ .<sup>20</sup> Similar deviations from 180° have also been observed for *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> (159.6(2)°),<sup>139</sup>  $\mu$ -F(*cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (161.2(10)°),<sup>22</sup> *cis*-ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> (162.9(6)°),<sup>45</sup>  $\mu$ -F(*cis*-ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>2-</sup> (159.9(5)°),<sup>45</sup> *cis*-Re<sub>3</sub>O<sub>6</sub>F<sub>10</sub><sup>-</sup> (159.2(3)°),<sup>45</sup> and *cis*-TcO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> (164.2(3)°),<sup>47</sup> and can be accounted for based on stronger bond pair-bond pair repulsions between the Os–F(3,4) bond pairs and the Os–O(1,2) double bond pairs than between the Os–F(3,4) bond pairs and the Os–F(1,2) bond pairs.<sup>47</sup>

The light atoms of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> in all four structures form distorted octahedral coordination spheres about their respective osmium atoms. Although there is significant variation in the bond lengths around the osmium atoms, the light atom octahedra are relatively undistorted (Figure C4), as shown by the nearest neighbor-ligand atom contacts (Table C2). The Os atom is located in the O(1)O(2)F(1)F(2)-planes of the *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN], *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN], *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF and *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> structures (coplanar to within ±0.0009, 0.028, 0.0002, and 0.0033 Å, respectively) and is symmetrically displaced towards both oxygen atoms (0.1716 and 0.1716 Å; 0.188 and 0.122 Å; 0.184 and 0.171 Å; 0.167 and 0.168 Å, respectively), with the orthogonal [O(1), F(2), F(3), F(4)]- and [O(2), F(1), F(3), F(4)]-planes bisecting each other, similar to that of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> (0.314 Å).<sup>139</sup>

#### 5.2.5.2. CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup>

The CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> anion co-crystallized in the structures of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN], *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF, and *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>]-[CH<sub>2</sub>CN] providing the first instances in which the structure of the isolated CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> anion has been crystallographically determined. The CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> anion is a reactive intermediate in condensation reactions involving nitriles,<sup>55</sup> and has been used in organic synthesis as a nucleophile<sup>56</sup> or as a ligand in organometallic chemistry where it is C-coordinated (e.g., P(CH<sub>2</sub>CN)<sub>3</sub>,<sup>57</sup> [(Ph<sub>3</sub>P)<sub>2</sub>N][Ir(CO)<sub>2</sub>(CH<sub>2</sub>CN)<sub>2</sub>],<sup>58</sup> and [Li(THF)][Zn<sub>3</sub>(CH<sub>2</sub>CN)<sub>3</sub>(LiBr)(NP(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>]<sup>59</sup>).

In all three structures, the C–C (1.449(7), 1.56(2), and 1.469(6) Å, respectively) and C–N (1.136(6), 1.10(3), and 1.144(6) Å, respectively) bond lengths are similar and, with the exception of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF, are equal to within  $\pm 3\sigma$ . The C–C and C–N bond lengths are in good agreement with those of free CH<sub>3</sub>CN (1.54(2); 1.16(1) Å)<sup>209</sup> and other co-crystallized CH<sub>3</sub>CN molecules (eg., OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)·CH<sub>3</sub>CN (1.437(5); 1.140(4) Å)<sup>155</sup> and ReO<sub>3</sub>F(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·CH<sub>3</sub>CN (1.451(7); 1.136(7) Å))<sup>45</sup> as well as for CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> ligands (e.g., P(CH<sub>2</sub>CN)<sub>3</sub> (1.457(2); 1.142(2) Å),<sup>57</sup> Ir(CO)<sub>2</sub>(CH<sub>2</sub>CN)<sub>2</sub> (1.45(1); 1.114(9) Å),<sup>58</sup> and Zn<sub>3</sub>(CH<sub>2</sub>CN)<sub>3</sub>(LiBr)(NPMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> (1.38(2) and 1.16(2) Å)<sup>59</sup>).

The N–C–C bond angle of  $CH_2CN^-$  is, as expected, linear, (179.7(6), 176(2), and 179.1(5), respectively) and is consistent with free  $CH_3CN$  (180°),<sup>209</sup> other co-crystallized  $CH_3CN$  molecules (e.g.,  $OsO_3F_2(NCCH_3)\cdot CH_3CN$ , 178.6(3)<sup>155</sup> and  $ReO_3F(NCCH_3)_2\cdot CH_3CN$ , 178.9(9)° <sup>45</sup>), and C-coordinated  $CH_2CN^-$  ligands (e.g.,  $P(CH_2CN)_3$  (179.2(9)°),<sup>57</sup> Ir(CO)\_2(CH\_2CN)\_2 (178(1)°),<sup>58</sup> and  $Zn_3(CH_2CN)_3(LiBr)(NPMe_3)_4^-$  (175(2) °)<sup>59</sup>). The C–H bond lengths (av. 0.93 Å) and H–C–H bond angles (av. 92.8 °) are in good agreement with each other and the calculated values with the exception of C(1)–H(1B) (1.50 Å) because there is a short hydrogen bond to an HF molecule (H(1B)…F(14A) 1.78 Å) which results in the H(1A)–C(1)–H(1B) bond angle being more open (135 °) than for any other CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> anion.

#### 5.2.6. Raman Spectroscopy

The low-temperature (-150 °C) Raman spectra of natural abundance and <sup>18</sup>O- enriched *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> are shown in Figure 5.4. The Raman spectrum of [K][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] is shown in Figure 5.5. The observed and calculated frequencies and mode descriptions for *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> and CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> are provided in Tables 5.4, and 5.5 where the atom numbering schemes are given in Figures 5.6a and 5.6b.

#### 5.2.6.1. cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>

The Raman spectrum of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> has been previously assigned under  $C_{2\nu}$  symmetry<sup>20</sup> and has been used as a computational benchmark for other Os(VIII) oxide fluoride systems.<sup>18, 139, 155, 203</sup> The present work details the observed and calculated frequencies of <sup>18</sup>O-enriched *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> and its comparison with that of natural abundance *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>. The Raman spectra of OsO<sub>4</sub> and Os<sup>18</sup>O<sub>4</sub> have been recorded and used as a benchmark for the vibrational frequencies of the OsO<sub>2</sub> group and for <sup>16/18</sup>Os isotopic shifts.



**Figure 5.4.** Raman spectra of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> (bottom) and cis-Os<sup>18</sup>O<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> (top) recorded at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation; the symbols denote FEP sample tube lines (\*) and an instrumental artifact (†).



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**Figure 5.5.** Raman spectrum of [K][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] recorded in a 4-mm-o.d. glass tube at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation.

ex	ptlª			assgnts $(C_{2\nu})^e$				
cis-OsO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub>	<i>cis</i> - Os <sup>18</sup> O <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub>	cis-OsO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub>	cis-Os <sup>18</sup> O <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub>	cis-OsO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub>	cis-Os <sup>18</sup> O <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub>	cis-OsO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub>	<i>cis</i> -Os <sup>18</sup> O <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub>	
		SV	WN <sup>c</sup>	PBE	$PBE^{d}$	B3I	.YP <sup>d</sup>	
942.1(100)	891.2(100)	972.7(31)[57]	920.3(27)[53]	1057.2(37)[67]	1000.2(33)[62]	1018.7(36)[63]	963.8(33)[58]	$v_{\rm sym}(OsO_2)$
933.1(31)	885.4(15)	968.5(13)[90]	919.0(11)[85]	1028.3(14)[119]	975.6(12)[112]	992.6(14)[109]	941.8(12)[103]	$v_{ss}(OsO_2)$
683.3(sh)	682.5(3)	702.7(<1)[166]	702.6(<1)[166]	708.2(19)[84]	708.2(19)[84]	684.4(21)[78]	684.4(21)[78]	$v_{as}(OsF_3)$
672.7(59)	673.6(29)	692.1(24)[50]	692.0(24)[50]	703.5(<0.1)[209]	703.3(<0.1)[210]	682.7(<0.1)[197]	682.4(<0.1)[198]	$v_{svm}(OsF_3) + v_{svm}(OsF_1)$
577.7(17)	578.8(7)	632.2(12)[35]	632.1(12)[34]	635.9(6)[40]	635.8(6)[40]	615.9(8)[35]	615.8(8)[35]	$v_{sym}(OsF_3) - v_{sym}(OsF_1)$
570.1(14)	568.6(8)	612.2(11)[55]	611.5(12)[54]	621.2(6)[74]	620.6(6)[73]	602.8(8)[68]	602.1(8)[67]	$v_{as}(OsF_1)$
401.6(38)	383.3(31)	383.6(5)[1]	367.0(5)[1]	425.7(5)[1]	407.4(4)[1]	415.8(5)[2]	397.9(4)[1]	$\delta(O_1OsO_1')$
349.9(31)	343.2(20)	329.8(4)[3]	323.0(4)[1]	355.7(4)[0]	349.2(4)[0]	347.5(4)[0]	341.1(4)[0]	$\delta(F_1OsF_1') +$
								$\delta(F_3OsF_3')$
342.0(31)	335.0(18)	329.0(5)[0]	322.9(5)[0]	355.2(4)[4]	348.5(3)[1]	347.2(4)[4]	340.2(4)[2]	$\delta(OOsF_1) + \delta(F_1OsF_1')$
321.4(1)	318.7(1)	312.4(<1)[11]	310.2(<1)[11]	337.4(<1)[12]	335.4(<1)[12]	329.4(<1)[12]	327.6(<1)[12]	ρ <sub>r</sub> (F <sub>3</sub> OsF <sub>3</sub> ′)
304.4(1)	304.2(1)	298.0(1)[19]	293.4(1)[18]	321.5(1)[25]	316.4(<1)[24]	316.6(1)[24]	311.5(1)[23]	$\rho_t(O_1OsO_1')$
265.1 (2)	257.6(2)	252.6(<0.1)[36]	247.6(<0.1)[36]	268.0(<0.1)[45]	262.2(<1)[44]	266.4(<0.1)[43]	260.9(<0.1)[43]	$\rho_r(F_1OsF_1')$
215.1(1)	211.8(2)	217.7(<1)[1]	216.1(<1)[1]	236.1(<1)[2]	234.7(<1)[2]	230.3(<1)[2]	228.9(<1)[2]	$\delta(F_1 OsF_1') - \delta(F_3 OsF_3')$
165.6 (3)	159.8(2)	185.9(<1)[<1]	183.1(<1)[1]	203.3(<1)[1]	200.2(<1)[1]	200.5(<1)[1]	197.5(<1)[1]	$\delta(OOsF_1) - \delta(F_3OsF_3')$
104.0(sh)	103.6(1)	100.4(<1)[0]	97.9(<1)[0]	108.9(<1)[0]	106.0(<1)[0]	111.3(<1)[0]	108.4(<1)[0]	$\rho_t(F_1OsF_1')$

Table 5.4. Experimental and Calculated Raman Frequencies and Intensities for *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> and *cis*-Os<sup>18</sup>O<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>

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<sup>*a*</sup> The Raman spectrum was recorded on a microcrystalline solid sample in a FEP tube at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation. Experimental Raman intensities are given in parentheses and are relative intensities with the most intense band given as 100. <sup>*b*</sup> Values in parentheses denote calculated Raman intensities (Å<sup>4</sup> u<sup>-1</sup>) and values in square brackets denote calculated infrared intensities (km mol<sup>-1</sup>). <sup>*c*</sup> The SDDall basis set was used augmented for F and O with two d-type polarization functions. <sup>*d*</sup> The Stuttgart basis set was used for Os with the f functional. The aug-cc-pVTZ basis sets were used for fluorine and oxygen. <sup>*e*</sup> The atom labeling scheme refers to the Figure 5.6a. The abbreviations denote stretch (v), asymmetric (as), symmetric (sym), bend ( $\delta$ ), twist ( $\rho_t$ ) and rock ( $\rho_r$ ).

	exptl calcd"					assgnt $(C_s)^h$	
Raman	Raman IR <sup>b</sup>		B	3LYP	PBI	E1PBE	
a	c	d	f	8	ſ	8	
3099(19)	3260 s	3350 m	3046(92)[120]	3190(105)[37]	3101(90)[100]	3216(100)[34]	Α", ν <sub>as</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> )
3021(60)	3130 br	3250 m	3006(132)[66]	3121(260)[20]	3050(130)[53]	3141(221)[20]	A', ν <sub>s</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> )
	2240 s						
2038(25)	2160 s	2200 s	2209(40)[231]	2138(543)[691]	2236(40)[244]	2168(429)[680]	A', v(CN)
	2050 s						
		1610 s					
1386(10)		1250 m	1485(23)[1]	1424(18)[7]	1477(20)[1]	1413(15)[7]	A', δ(HCH)
1086(100)		900 m	1051(13)[14]	1075(27)[30]	1072(14)[15]	1089(33)[30]	A', v(CC)
			1113(6)[1]	1034(12)[<1]	1105(6)[1]	1028(9)[<1]	Α", ρ <sub>r</sub> (HCH)
		615 m,br	611(4)[58]	566(20)[1]	618(3)[47]	576(12)[1]	A', δ(CCN) <sub>00</sub> p
		532 m,br 472 m br	463(2)[7]	436(1)[4]	467(2)[7]	440(1)[4]	A", $\delta(CCN)_{oop} + \rho_r(HCH)$
183(30)		280 m	523(10)[142]	214(201)[240]	502(10)[166]	231(152)[236]	Α', ρ <sub>w</sub> (HCH)
129(17)							
122(16)							lettice meder
118(22)							lattice modes
100(20)							

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## **Table 5.5.** Experimental Raman Frequencies and Intensities for [K][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] and Calculated Frequencies, Intensities and Assignments for CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup>

<sup>*a*</sup> The Raman spectrum was recorded on a microcrystalline solid sample in a glass tube at 24 °C using 1064-nm excitation. Experimental Raman intensities are given in parentheses and are relative intensities with the most intense band given as 100. <sup>*b*</sup> The abbreviations denote strong (s) and broad (br). <sup>*c*</sup> From Ref 55. <sup>*d*</sup> From Ref 60 <sup>*e*</sup> Values in parentheses denote calculated Raman intensities (Å<sup>4</sup> u<sup>-1</sup>) and values in square brackets denote calculated infrared intensities (km mol<sup>-1</sup>). <sup>*f*</sup> The 6-21G\* basis set was used. <sup>*g*</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ basis set was used <sup>*h*</sup> Assignments are for the energy-minimized geometry calculated at the PBE1PBE/aug-cc-pVTZ level of theory. See Figure 5.6b for the atom labeling scheme. The symbols denote stretch ( $\nu$ ), bend ( $\delta$ ), rock ( $\rho_r$ ), wag ( $\rho_w$ ) and out-of-plane (oop).



**Figure 5.6.** Gas-phase geometries calculated at the B3LYP level of theory for (a) cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> ( $C_{2\nu}$ ) and (b) CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> ( $C_s$ ).

The Raman spectrum of <sup>18</sup>O-enriched *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> is similar to that of the natural abundance *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> with the modes involving <sup>18</sup>O atoms shifted to lower frequency. The shift is most pronounced for the OsO<sub>2</sub> stretches which shift from 942.1 to 891.2 cm<sup>-1</sup> for v<sub>s</sub>(OsO<sub>2</sub>) and from 933.1 to 885.4 cm<sup>-1</sup> for v<sub>as</sub>(OsO<sub>2</sub>). These isotopic shifts  $(\Delta v_s = -50.9; \Delta v_{as} = -47.7 \text{ cm}^{-1})$  are reproduced at all levels of theory  $(\Delta v_s = -52.4 \text{ [SVWN]}; -57.0 \text{ [PBE1PBE]}; -54.9 \text{ [B3LYP]}; <math>\Delta v_{as} = -49.5 \text{ [SVWN]}; -52.7 \text{ [PBE1PBE]};$ -50.8 [B3LYP] cm<sup>-1</sup>) and are comparable to the shifts observed and calculated for OsO<sub>4</sub>  $(\Delta v_s = -54.9 \text{ [expt1]}; -56.6 \text{ [SVWN]}; -58.6 \text{ [B3LYP]}; <math>\Delta v_{as} = -45.5 \text{ [expt1]}; -50.1 \text{ [SVWN]}; -50.9 \text{ [B3LYP]}$  cm<sup>-1</sup>) (see Section 5.2.7.3) The Os–F stretching modes are not significantly affected by <sup>18</sup>O-enrichment as expected (683.3/672.7/577.7/570.1 [Os<sup>16</sup>O<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>]; 682.5/673.6/578.8/568.6 [Os<sup>18</sup>O<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>] cm<sup>-1</sup>).

Of the bending modes,  $\delta(O_1 OsO_1')$  shows the largest <sup>16/18</sup>O isotopic shift  $(\Delta v = -18.3 \text{ cm}^{-1})$ . The remaining bending modes do not show large shifts (< 8 cm<sup>-1</sup>) because the oxygen atom displacements are not large components of the vibrational modes.

#### 5.2.6.2. CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup>

The infrared spectrum of [A][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] (A =  $Li^{60}$  and  $Na^{55}$ ) has been previously reported, however, spectral assignments were not provided. In the present study, the Raman spectrum is reported and spectral assignments were made by comparison with the calculated frequencies and infrared and Raman intensities for the energy-minimized geometries of CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> and the previously reported experimental infrared frequencies and intensities. The  $CH_2CN^-(C_s)$  anion possesses nine fundamental vibrational modes belonging to the irreducible representations, 6A' + 3A'', all of which are predicted to be Raman and infrared active. The calculated stretching modes are slightly overestimated when compared to experiment.

The symmetric (3021 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and asymmetric (3099 cm<sup>-1</sup>) stretching frequencies of the CH<sub>2</sub> group are in good agreement with the previously published infrared values for [A][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] (A = Li, 3250 and 3350;<sup>60</sup> Na, 3130 and 3260 cm<sup>-1</sup>,<sup>55</sup> respectively). Both stretches are shifted to higher frequencies when compared with the symmetric and asymmetric CH<sub>3</sub> stretches of CH<sub>3</sub>CN (2938 and 2999 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively),<sup>155</sup> consistent with the removal of a proton which strengthens the remaining C–H bonds. The v(CN)stretching band (2038 cm<sup>-1</sup>) occurs at lower frequency than that of the  $Li^+$  (2200 cm<sup>-1</sup>)<sup>60</sup> and Na<sup>+</sup>  $(2240/2160/2050 \text{ cm}^{-1})^{55}$  salts and free CH<sub>3</sub>CN  $(2248 \text{ cm}^{-1})$ .<sup>155</sup> The v(CC) stretching mode (1086 cm<sup>-1</sup>) has only been previously observed for the Li<sup>+</sup> salt (900  $cm^{-1}$ )<sup>60</sup> and is shifted to higher frequency relative to that of free CH<sub>3</sub>CN (922 cm<sup>-1</sup>).<sup>155</sup> The low-frequency shift of the C-N stretch and the high-frequency shift of the C-C stretch are consistent with the resonance structures depicted in Scheme 5.1, whereby the negative charge is distributed between the terminal N and C atoms and, as a result, the C-C bond is strengthened and the C-N bond weakened. The only observed bending mode,  $\delta$ (HCH) (1386 cm<sup>-1</sup>) is comparable to that of free CH<sub>3</sub>CN (1376 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and occurs at higher frequency relative to [Li][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] (1250 cm<sup>-1</sup>). The two bending modes that are predicted to have the highest intensities,  $\delta(\text{HCH})$  (1386 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and  $\rho_w(\text{HCH})$  (183 cm<sup>-1</sup>) are observed, whereas the  $\rho_r(HCH)$ ,  $\delta(CCN)_{oop}$ , and  $\delta(CCN)_{oop} + \rho_r(HCH)$ bends are predicted to be weak, and are not observed.



Scheme 5.1. Resonance structures for CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup>.

#### 5.2.7. Computational Results

The calculated geometries of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> (Figure 5.6a, Table 5.2) and CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> (Figure 5.6b, Table 5.3) were optimized under  $C_{2\nu}$  and  $C_s$  symmetries, respectively at the SVWN, B3LYP, PBE1PBE and B3LYP, PBE1PBE levels of theory, respectively, and resulted in stationary points with all frequencies real. The vibrational modes of the B3LYP structure provide the best approximation and these values are referred to in the ensuing discussion. The energy-minimized geometries and vibrational frequencies of OsO<sub>4</sub> and Os<sup>18</sup>O<sub>4</sub> were calculated to serve as benchmarks for the isotopic enrichment study, while CH<sub>3</sub>CN ( $C_{3\nu}$ ) was calculated to serve as a benchmark and for comparison with CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup>. The values B3LYP/aug-cc-pVTZ are, overall, in better agreement with experiment for CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> than the remaining levels, and will therefore be referred to in the ensuing discussion.

#### 5.2.7.1. Calculated Geometries

#### 5.2.7.1.1. *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>

The geometrical parameters of the cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> molecule in the crystal structure of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> are used for comparison with the calculated parameters in the ensuing discussion. The present calculated structures provide more accurate geometrical

parameters and vibrational frequencies than those previously calculated.<sup>20</sup> The *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> structure does not contain any co-crystallized molecules and is in good agreement with the structures of other *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> molecules obtained in this study from structures containing the CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> anion (see Section 5.2.5.1). The calculated Os–O<sub>1</sub> (1.688 Å), Os–F<sub>1</sub> (1.887 Å), and Os–F<sub>3</sub> (1.857 Å) bond lengths are comparable to the experimental Os–O(1/2) (1.68(1) – 1.70(1) Å), Os–F(1/2) (1.914(8) – 1.916(8) Å), and Os–F(3/4) (1.837(8) – 1.84(1) Å) bond lengths, with the largest discrepancy occurring for the Os–F<sub>1</sub> bond length. This underestimation likely results because the calculations fail to model secondary bonding interactions that are present in the crystal structure.

The  $O_1$ -Os- $O_1$ ' bond angle is calculated to be slightly more closed (100.8°) when compared with the experimental (102.8(7)°). In contrast, the calculated  $F_1$ -Os- $F_1$ ' (79.9°) and  $F_3$ -Os- $F_3$ ' (167.5°) bond angles are in good agreement with experiment (79.5(5) and 166.6(6)°, respectively), reproducing the displacement of the fluorine atoms away from the oxygen double bond domains.

#### 5.2.7.1.2. CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup>

The present calculated geometrical parameters of  $CH_2CN^-$  agree well with the experimental results and the previously calculated geometries.<sup>210-212</sup> The geometrical parameters are explicitly compared with those of the  $CH_2CN^-$  anion in *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] because of the lower number of intermolecular interactions in that structure (see Section 5.2.5.2).

The C–N bond length (1.181 Å) is somewhat overestimated compared to the experimental value (1.136(6) Å), whereas the C–C bond length (1.380 Å) is significantly

underestimated (1.449(7) Å). This bond length trend is consistent with a predicted stronger C–C and a weaker C–N bond, consistent with the vibrational assignments (see Section 5.2.6.2.). The C–C–N bond angle (178.3°) is close to linear, and is in good agreement with experiment (179.7(6)°). The C–H bond length is significantly overestimated (1.082 Å) compared to the experimental values (0.81(6) Å) while the H–C–H and H–C–C bond angles are more open (117.6 and 119.3°, respectively).

#### 5.2.7.2. Charges, Valencies, and Bond Orders

Natural Bond Orbital (NBO)<sup>181-184</sup> analyses were carried out for the gas-phase geometries of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> optimized at the SVWN, B3LYP, and PBE1PBE levels (Table C3) and  $CH_2CN^-$  optimized at the B3LYP and PBE1PBE levels (Table C4).

#### 5.2.7.2.1. *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>

The NBO analyses give a natural population analysis (NPA) charge of 2.27 for osmium. The NPA charges of all of the light atoms are negative indicating that the bonds formed with the osmium atom are polar covalent. The slightly larger negative charge on the equatorial fluorine atom,  $F_1$  (-0.44), as compared to the axial fluorine atom,  $F_3$  (-0.41), is consistent with the osmium atom withdrawing less charge from the equatorial fluorine atom than the axial one, consistent with the longer bond length (see Calculated Geometries).

The Os–O bond order (0.89) is nearly twice those of the Os–F bonds ( $F_1$ , 0.45 and  $F_3$ , 0.45) which is consistent with the double bond character of the Os–O bond as compared to the single bond between fluorine and osmium. The Os– $F_3$  bond order is greater than the Os– $F_1$  bond order which is again consistent with a stronger Os–F bond trans to fluorine

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when compared with a Os–F bond trans to oxygen, which results from the *trans*-influence of oxygen.

#### 5.2.7.2.2. CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup>

The NPA charges of the atoms in  $CH_2CN^-$  alternate along the CCNH chain indicating that the bonding in the anion is polar covalent. The negative charge is located on the terminal  $C_1$  (-0.97) and  $N_1$  (-0.63) atoms, which is consistent with the resonance structure proposed in Scheme 5.1. The C-C (1.24) and C-N (1.86) bond orders are also in accordance with the proposed resonance structure.

#### 5.2.7.3. Isotopic Enrichment of OsO<sub>4</sub>

The vibrational spectrum of OsO<sub>4</sub> has been reported and assigned in the gas,<sup>213, 214</sup> liquid,<sup>215</sup> and solid phases<sup>215, 216</sup> and the gas-phase spectrum of Os<sup>18</sup>O<sub>4</sub><sup>213, 214</sup> has also been reported. The present work (Figure 5.7) is in very good agreement with the prior work but also provides the first instance in which the site symmetry lowering was able to be observed as three distinct  $v_{as}$ (OsO) bands were observed in the solid state. The prior reports have not resolved the broad band assigned to  $v_{as}$ (OsO)<sup>215</sup> and/or only two of these components were resolved.<sup>216</sup> The site symmetry lowering is also present for the double degenerate  $\delta_s$ (OsO<sub>4</sub>) mode and triply degenerate  $\rho_w$ (OsO<sub>2</sub>) +  $\rho_r$ (OsO<sub>2</sub>) modes where only one mode is not resolved. The intramolecular force constants (Urey-Bradley,<sup>213, 217</sup> orbital valence,<sup>213</sup> and valence stretching<sup>218</sup>) for OsO<sub>4</sub> have also been previously determined and the vibrational modes have been calculated, however, they have not been previously calculated and assigned using quantum-chemical methods. The vibrational frequencies of Os<sup>16</sup>O<sub>4</sub> and Os<sup>18</sup>O<sub>4</sub>(Table 5.6) were calculated at the SVWN and B3LYP levels to serve as a benchmark


**Figure 5.7.** Raman spectra of  $OsO_4$  (bottom) and  $Os^{18}OF_4$  (top) recorded at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation; the symbol denotes an instrumental artifact (†).

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**Table 5.6.** Experimental Raman Frequencies and Intensities for  $OsO_4$  and  $Os^{18}O_4$  and Calculated Frequencies, Intensities and Assignments for  $OsO_4$  and  $Os^{18}O_4$ 

exp	$exptl^a$ $calcd^b$				assgnts	
		SVV	VN <sup>d</sup>	B3I	LYP <sup>e</sup>	
$OsO_4$	$Os^{18}O_4$	OsO4	Os <sup>18</sup> O <sub>4</sub>	OsO4	Os <sup>18</sup> O <sub>4</sub>	$T_d$
964.7(100)	909.8(100)	986.2(46)[0]	929.6(31)[0]	1022.9(50)[0]	964.3(45)[0]	$A_1, v_s(OsO_4)$
971.6(7) 955.3(37) 943.7(24)	916.1(19) 899.7(31) 896.9(30)	981.1(13)[99]	931.0(11)[89]	999.1(12)[135]	948.2(11)[123]	T <sub>2</sub> , $\nu_{as}(OsO_4)$
346.9(70) 330.9(15)	330.4(28) 322.1(31)	332.0(6)[0]	312.9(6)[0]	346.6(6)[0]	326.7(5)[0]	E, $\delta_s(OsO_4)$
323.0(4) 320.1(7)	$\left. \begin{array}{c} 313.0(\text{sh}) \\ 311.6(14) \end{array} \right\}$	326.1(2)[3]	310.1(2)[3]	347.7(2)[5]	330.7(2)[5]	$T_2, \rho_w(OsO_2) + \rho_r(OsO_2)$

<sup>*a*</sup> The Raman spectrum was recorded on a microcrystalline solid sample in a FEP tube at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation. Experimental Raman intensities are given in parentheses and are relative intensities with the most intense band given as 100. <sup>*b*</sup> Values in parentheses denote calculated Raman intensities (Å<sup>4</sup> u<sup>-1</sup>) and values in square brackets denote calculated infrared intensities (km mol<sup>-1</sup>). <sup>*c*</sup> Assignments are for the energy-minimized geometry calculated at the SVWN level of theory. The symbols denote symmetric (s), asymmetric (as), stretch (v), bend ( $\delta$ ), rock ( $\rho_r$ ), and wag ( $\rho_w$ ). <sup>*d*</sup> The SDDall basis set was used augmented for F and O with two d-type polarization functions. <sup>*e*</sup> The Stuttgart basis set was used for Os with the f functional. The aug-cc-pVTZ basis sets were used for fluorine and oxygen.

for those of cis-Os<sup>16</sup>O<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> and cis-Os<sup>18</sup>O<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>. The calculated isotopic shifts of the v<sub>s</sub>(OsO) and v<sub>as</sub>(OsO) stretches (-56.6 and -50.1 [SVWN]; -58.6 and -50.9 [B3LYP] cm<sup>-1</sup>) closely approximate the experimental shifts (-54.9 and -55.6 cm<sup>-1</sup>). The  $\delta_s$ (OsO<sub>4</sub>) (-19.1 [SVWN]; -19.9 [B3LYP] cm<sup>-1</sup>) and  $\rho_w$ (OsO<sub>2</sub>) +  $\rho_r$ (OsO<sub>2</sub>) (-16.0 [SVWN]; -17.0 [B3LYP] cm<sup>-1</sup>) bending modes show much smaller shifts, in good agreement with the experimental results (-16.5 and -10.0 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively).

# 5.3. Conclusions

The crystal of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF, structures cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN], cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][CH<sub>2</sub>CN], and cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> have been obtained, providing the first examples of non-disordered cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> molecules providing more precise determinations of its geometrical parameters. The solid-state structure has a pseudo-octahedral, cis-dioxo arrangement, and the fluorine atoms trans to oxygen atoms shorter bond lengths than those trans to fluorine. The compounds, have cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF, cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN], and cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][CH<sub>2</sub>CN], were formed by abstraction of a proton from CH<sub>3</sub>CN by  $OsO_2F_5^-$ , yielding  $CH_2CN^-$  and *cis*- $OsO_2F_4$  and the appropriate cation. In addition to cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>, the crystal structures also contain co-crystallized linear CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> anions which provided the crystal structures of this anion for the first time. In a separate synthesis, [K][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] was formed and its Raman spectrum was assigned based on the calculated vibrational frequencies of CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup>. Quantum-chemical calculations have been used to model the gas-phase geometries of both *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> and CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup>.

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# **CHAPTER 6**

# SYNTHESIS AND X-RAY CRYSTAL STRUCTURE OF $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$ AND THE RAMAN SPECTRUM OF $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ , $(OsO_3F_2)_2$ , AND $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$

### 6.1. Introduction

Polymeric  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  was first synthesized in 1957 by reaction of OsO<sub>4</sub> with BrF<sub>3</sub>.<sup>25</sup> However, only the melting point and elemental analyses were reported. Three distinct phases of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  were subsequently identified by X-ray powder diffraction: a low-temperature (< 90 °C)  $\alpha$ -phase (monoclinic), a  $\beta$ -phase (orthorhombic) at intermediate temperatures (90–130 °C), and a  $\gamma$ -phase (orthorhombic) at high temperatures (> 130 °C).<sup>19</sup> Single crystals of OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> were obtained by sublimation under static vacuum at 130 °C in a sapphire tube, which resulted in the X-ray crystal structure determination of the low-temperature monoclinic phase (space group  $P2_1/c$ ).<sup>11</sup> The structure consists of an infinite chain in which the pseudo-octahedral Os(VIII) atoms are bridged by fluorine atoms that are trans to oxygen atoms and the three oxygen atoms are in a facial arrangement.

The vibrational characterization of  $OsO_3F_2$  has also been carried out for both the matrix-isolated monomer and  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ . The infrared<sup>14, 15</sup> and Raman<sup>14</sup> spectra of monomeric  $OsO_3F_2$ , obtained in both argon and nitrogen matrices at 12 K, are consistent with a trigonal bipyramidal geometry ( $D_{3h}$  symmetry) in which the three oxygen atoms lie in the equatorial plane and the fluorine atoms are in axial positions. Although incompletely assigned, the Raman spectra<sup>16, 17, 19</sup> of solid  $OsO_3F_2$  are consistent with the

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low-temperature fluorine-bridged polymeric structure obtained from the single-crystal X-ray structure.<sup>11</sup>

The present chapter details the syntheses and structural characterizations by Raman spectroscopy of a new low-temperature phase of  $OsO_3F_2$ , namely  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$ , and its XeOF<sub>4</sub> adduct,  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$ ·2XeOF<sub>4</sub>, which has also been characterized by single-crystal X-ray diffraction. The Raman spectrum of the low-temperature monoclinic  $\alpha$ -phase,  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ , and its assignments are also reported.

## 6.2. Results and Discussion

#### 6.2.1. Syntheses of $(OsO_3F_2)_2$ ·2XeOF<sub>4</sub> and $(OsO_3F_2)_2$ .

Polymeric OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> slowly dissolved in XeOF<sub>4</sub> at room temperature forming a deep orange solution. The <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum at 30 °C consisted of an exchange-broadened XeOF<sub>4</sub> solvent line  $[\delta(^{19}F) = 96.0 \text{ ppm}, \Delta v_{\frac{1}{2}} = 1800 \text{ Hz}]$  and trace amounts of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>  $[\delta(^{19}F) = 68.8 \text{ ppm}$  (t) and 18.5 ppm(t), <sup>2</sup>J(<sup>19</sup>F-<sup>19</sup>F) = 138 Hz)] and XeO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>2</sub>  $[\delta(^{19}F) =$ 107.2 ppm,  $\Delta v_{\frac{1}{2}} = 521 \text{ Hz}]$ . Fluorine-19 exchange between OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> and XeOF<sub>4</sub> solvent not only resulted in broadening of the XeOF<sub>4</sub> solvent line, but prevented observation of the fluorine-on-osmium environments of the solute and the <sup>129</sup>Xe satellites of the solvent and of XeO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>2</sub>. The formation of trace amounts of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> and XeO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>2</sub> resulted from oxygen/fluorine metathesis between (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>∞</sub> and XeOF<sub>4</sub> solvent (eq 6.1).

$$\frac{1}{\omega}(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty} + XeOF_4 \xrightarrow{XeOF_4} OsO_2F_4 + XeO_2F_2$$
(6.1)

The sample composition was also monitored at intervals by Raman spectroscopy as XeOF<sub>4</sub> was removed under dynamic vacuum at 0 °C (Table D1). The Raman spectrum of the initial frozen solution was comprised of bands that arose from a mixture of XeOF<sub>4</sub> and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$ . Removal of excess XeOF<sub>4</sub> at 0 °C yielded an orange solid corresponding to  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  (eq 6.2). Slow cooling of a solution of

$${}^{2}/_{\infty}(OsO_{3}F_{2})_{\infty} + 2XeOF_{4} \xrightarrow{XeOF_{4}} (OsO_{3}F_{2})_{2} \cdot 2XeOF_{4}$$
(6.2)

 $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  in  $XeOF_4$  from 25 to 0 °C resulted in light orange needle-shaped crystals of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  which were characterized by single-crystal X-ray diffraction (*vide infra*) and which had a Raman spectrum identical to that of the bulk compound. The  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  adduct was stable at 25 °C for up to 5 h, after which time dissociation to  $(OsO_3F_2)_\infty$  and  $XeOF_4$  (eq 6.3) was detectable by Raman

$$(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4 \xrightarrow{25 \, ^{\circ}C} \, 2/_{\infty}(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty} + \, 2XeOF_4 \tag{6.3}$$

spectroscopy. Upon further pumping under dynamic vacuum at 0 °C,  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$ slowly lost XeOF<sub>4</sub> to give a yellow powder corresponding to  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  (eq 6.4), which

$$(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4 \xrightarrow{\text{vac}} (OsO_3F_2)_2 + 2XeOF_4$$
(6.4)

was confirmed by Raman spectroscopy (Table D1). Raman spectroscopy established that the dimer was stable indefinitely at 0 °C, but transformed over a period of 2 h at 25 °C to an orange powder corresponding to the monoclinic polymeric phase,  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  (eq 6.5).<sup>19</sup>

$$\infty(\text{OsO}_3\text{F}_2)_2 \xrightarrow{25\,^{\circ}\text{C}} 2(\text{OsO}_3\text{F}_2)_{\infty}$$
(6.5)

6.2.2. X-ray Crystal Structure of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$ ·2XeOF<sub>4</sub>. Details of data collection parameters and other crystallographic information are provided in Table 6.1. Bond lengths and bond angles are listed in Table 6.2.

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chem formula	Os <sub>2</sub> O <sub>8</sub> F <sub>12</sub> Xe <sub>2</sub>
space group	<i>P</i> Ī (2)
a (Å)	5.0808(6)
<i>b</i> (Å)	7.7446(9)
<i>c</i> (Å)	9.2133(11)
a (deg)	80.012(4)
β (deg)	83.659(4)
γ (deg)	89.217(4)
$V(\text{\AA}^3)$	354.8(1)
molecules/unit cell	1
$mol wt (g mol^{-1})$	999.00
calcd density (g cm <sup><math>-3</math></sup> )	24.675
<i>T</i> (°C)	-173
$\mu \ (\mathrm{mm}^{-1})$	22.76
$R_{I}^{a}$	0.0408
$wR_2^{b}$	0.0988

Table 6.1. Summary of Crystal Data and Refinement Results for (OsO3F2)2·2XeOF4

<sup>*a*</sup>  $R_1$  is defined as  $\sum \|F_o\| - \|F_c\| \sum \|F_o\|$  for  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ . <sup>*b*</sup>  $wR_2$  is defined as  $[\sum [w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2]/\sum w(F_o^2)^2]^{1/2}$  for  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ .

			Bond Leng	ths (Å)						
	(OsO <sub>3</sub> F	(2)2·2XeOF4			(Os0	$(2_3F_2)_2$	Xe	OF <sub>4</sub>		
exptl <sup>a</sup>		calcd $(C_1)^b$			calco	calcd $(C_{2h})$		calcd $(C_{4\nu})$		
			SVWN	B3LYP <sup>d</sup>	SVWN <sup>c</sup>	B3LYP <sup>d</sup>	SVWN <sup>c</sup>	B3LYP'		
Os(1)-O(1)	1.703(6)	Os-O1	1.721	1.688	1.715	1.689				
Os(1)-O(2)	1.684(6)	Os–O <sub>2</sub>	1.703	1.683	1.709	1.686				
Os(1)O(3)	1.685(6)	Os–O3	1.704	1.683	1.709	1.686				
Os(1)F(1)	2.117(5)	OsF1	2.146	2.147	2.114	2.152				
Os(1)–F(2)	1.927(5)	$Os-F_2$	1.915	1.921	1.892	1.892				
Os(1)F(1A)	2.107(4)	OsF1'	2.093	2.143	2.114	2.152				
Xe(1)…F(2)	2.757(5)	Xe…F <sub>2</sub>	2.735	2.968						
Xe(1)-O(4)	1.709(6)	Xe–O <sub>4</sub>	1.750	1.742			1.749	1.742		
Xe(1)-F(3)	1.907(5)	Xe-F <sub>3</sub>	1.953	1.953			1.951	1.949		
Xe(1)-F(4)	1.918(5)	Xe-F <sub>4</sub>	1.971	1.953			1.951	1.949		
Xe(1)-F(5)	1.912(5)	Xe-F5	1.949	1.952			1.951	1.949		
Xe(1)-F(6)	1.913(5)	Xe-F6	1.976	1.956			1.951	1.949		
Xe(1)…O(1A)	3.983(6)	$Xe \cdots O_1'$	2.872	3.829						
			Bond Angle	es (deg)						
O(1)-Os(1)-O(2)	102.0(3)	$O_1$ – $Os$ – $O_2$	102.7	102.5	102.4	102.2				
O(1)-Os(1)-O(3)	102.1(3)	O <sub>1</sub> –Os–O <sub>3</sub>	102.7	102.4	102.4	102.2				
O(1)-Os(1)F(1)	85.3(2)	O <sub>1</sub> –OsF <sub>1</sub>	82.2	83.8	82.9	83.0				
O(1)-Os(1)-F(2)	157.4(3)	O1-Os-F2	152.9	155.1	152.8	154.2				
O(1)-Os(1)F(1A)	85.3(2)	O1-O2F1,	83.8	83.8	82.9	<b>83</b> .0				
O(2)-Os(1)-O(3)	105.1(3)	$O_2 - O_3 - O_3$	105.6	105.3	105.3	105.2				
O(2)-Os(1)F(1)	159.8(2)	O <sub>2</sub> –OsF <sub>1</sub>	162.6	159.8	160.7	160.3				
O(2)–Os(1)–F(2)	91.8(3)	$O_2$ -Os- $F_2$	94.5	92.5	93.9	93.4				
O(2)-Os(1)F(1A)	91.5(2)	O2-OsF1'	93.7	92.2	91.4	92.1				
O(3)-Os(1)F(1)	91.5(3)	O3-O8F1	89.3	91.8	91.4	92.1				
O(3)–Os(1)–F(2)	91.2(3)	O <sub>3</sub> –Os–F <sub>2</sub>	92.4	92.5	93.9	93.4				
O(3)Os(1)F(1A)	159.8(2)	O3-OsF1'	157.4	159.4	160.7	160.3				
F(1)Os(1)-F(2)	76.1(2)	$F_1$ Os $F_2$	75.6	75.8	75.0	75.8				
F(1)F(1A)	70.2(2)	F1OsF1'	70.0	69.2	70.7	69.5				

**Table 6.2.** Experimental and Calculated Geometrical Parameters for  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  and Calculated Geometrical Parameters for  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$ ,  $XeOF_4$ , and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$ 

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F(2)–Os(1)F(1A)	76.5(2)	$F_2-OsF_1'$	74.2	75.7	75.0	75.8		
Os(1)F(1)Os(1A)	109(1)	OsF1Os'	110.0	110.8	109.3	110.5		
F(2)…Xe(1)…O(1A)	43.2(1)	F <sub>2</sub> …Xe…O <sub>1</sub> ′	55.4	45.4				
F(2)Xe(1)-F(3)	82.2(2)	F2···Xe-F3	105.7	97.2				
F(2)Xe(1)-F(4)	96.4(2)	F2···Xe-F4	69.9	78.3				
F(2)Xe(1)-F(5)	93.8(2)	F2···Xe-F5	70.4	85.3				
F(2)Xe(1)-F(6)	83.8(2)	F2···Xe-F6	105.6	90.1				
F(2)Xe(1)-O(4)	171.6(2)	F2····Xe–O4	154.6	170.3				
O(4) - Xe(1) - F(3)	90.8(3)	O <sub>4</sub> –Xe–F <sub>3</sub>	92.5	92.2			92.6	92.6
O(4) - Xe(1) - F(4)	90.6(3)	O <sub>4</sub> –Xe–F <sub>4</sub>	91.8	92.3			92.6	92.6
O(4) - Xe(1) - F(5)	90. <b>8(3</b> )	O <sub>4</sub> –Xe–F <sub>5</sub>	92.7	92.4			92.6	92.6
O(4) - Xe(1) - F(6)	91.5(3)	O4-Xe-F6	91.9	92.3			92.6	92.6
O(4)–Xe(1)…O(1A)	128.5(2)	O <sub>4</sub> -Xe···O <sub>1</sub> '	149.9	142.7				
F(3)-Xe(1)-F(4)	178.6(2)	F <sub>3</sub> XeF <sub>4</sub>	175.6	175.5			180	174.8
F(3)-Xe(1)-F(5)	90.0(2)	F <sub>3</sub> -Xe-F <sub>5</sub>	89.3	90.0			89.9	89.9
F(3)-Xe(1)-F(6)	89.0(2)	F <sub>3</sub> –Xe–F <sub>6</sub>	89.5	90.1			89.9	89.9
F(3)-Xe(1)O(1A)	55.6(2)	F <sub>3</sub> -Xe…O <sub>1</sub> ′	68.3	65.6				
F(4)-Xe(1)-F(5)	90.1(2)	F <sub>4</sub> -Xe-F <sub>5</sub>	89.3	89.9			89.9	89.9
F(4)-Xe(1)-F(6)	90.9(2)	F <sub>4</sub> -Xe-F <sub>6</sub>	91.6	89.7			89.9	89.9
F(4)-Xe(1)O(1A)	123.3(2)	F <sub>4</sub> –Xe…O <sub>1</sub> ′	108.2	110.5				
F(5)-Xe(1)-F(6)	177.5(2)	F <sub>5</sub> -Xe-F <sub>6</sub>	175.3	175.4			180	174.8
F(5)-Xe(1)O(1A)	122.7(2)	F <sub>5</sub> -Xe…O <sub>1</sub> ′	109.3	116.0				
F(6)-Xe(1)O(1A)	54.9(2)	F <sub>6</sub> –Xe…O <sub>1</sub> ′	66.0	60.0				
Xe(1)…F(2)–Os(1)	163.2(2)	Xe…F <sub>2</sub> –Os	123.2	158.6				
Xe(1)O(1A)-Os(1)	142.6(3)	Xe…O1'–Os'	121.0	146.1				

<sup>*a*</sup> For the atom labeling scheme, see Figure 6.1a. <sup>*b*</sup> For the atom labeling scheme, see Figure 6.6b. <sup>*c*</sup> SDDall basis set augmented for F, O, and Xe with two d-type polarization functions by Huzinaga.<sup>151 d</sup> Stuttgart basis set for Os augmented with one f-type polarization functional.<sup>152</sup> aug-cc-pVTZ basis sets for all other atoms. <sup>*e*</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ basis set.



**Figure 6.1.** (a) Structural unit in the X-ray crystal structure of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  with thermal ellipsoids drawn at the 70% probability level. (b) Visualization of the octahedron formed by the light atoms of the  $OsO_3F_3$  unit.

The structure consists of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  units that are stacked along the *a*-axis but alternate along the b- and c-axes so that the  $XeOF_4$  and  $OsO_3F_2$  molecules face one another in adjacent columns parallel to these axes (Figure D1). The resulting intermolecular contacts are long and are near the sums of the van der Waals radii.<sup>165, 219</sup> The  $OsO_3F_2$  molecules are bridged to one another through two fluorine atoms, F(1) and F(1A), that are formally contributed by each  $OsO_3F_2$  molecule. The remaining fluorine ligand of each OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> unit bridges through xenon to a XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule (Figure 6.1a). The primary coordination spheres of the osmium atoms consist of three oxygen and three fluorine atoms in a facial arrangement, providing a distorted octahedral environment around osmium (Figure 6.1b). The preference for the fac-trioxo structure has been previously discussed for other d<sup>0</sup> transition metal trioxo species such as  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ ,<sup>11</sup>  $OsO_3F_3^{-,23}$  [OsO\_3F][HF][SbF\_6],<sup>21</sup> ReO\_3F,<sup>49</sup> and ReO\_3F(CH\_3CN)<sub>2</sub>·CH\_3CN,<sup>45</sup> The occurrence of the bridging fluorine atoms trans to oxygen atoms is also observed in  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}^{11}$  and other transition metal oxide fluorides, e.g.,  $\mu$ -F(cis-OsO\_2F\_3)<sub>2</sub><sup>+,22</sup> polymeric  $MO_2F_3 \cdot SbF_5$  (M = Tc, Re),<sup>46</sup>  $\mu$ -F(TcOF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>,<sup>158</sup>  $\mu$ -F(ReOF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>,<sup>157</sup>  $\mu$ -F(*cis*-ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>,<sup>45</sup> Re<sub>3</sub>O<sub>6</sub>F<sub>10</sub>,<sup>45</sup> (WOF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>4</sub>,<sup>171</sup> and (MoOF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>∞</sub>.<sup>220</sup> The *trans*-position of the bridging fluorine ligand is attributed to the trans-influence of the doubly bonded oxygen ligand which results from the inability of the fluorine ligand to compete as effectively as an oxygen ligand for the  $d_{t_{2g}}$  orbitals of osmium.<sup>47</sup>

The Os–O bonds are equal to within  $\pm 3\sigma$  and only the Os(1)–O(2,3) bond lengths (1.685(6) Å) are within  $\pm 3\sigma$  of those of the polymeric phase (1.688(1) and 1.678(1) Å), whereas the Os(1)–O(1) bond (1.703(6) Å) is significantly shorter than the terminal bond

of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  (1.727(1) Å). The fluorine bridges have bond lengths that are equal within  $\pm 3\sigma$  (Os(1)–F(1), 2.117(5) Å and Os(1)---F(1A), 2.107(4) Å) and are very similar to those observed for  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  (2.126(1) and 2.108(1) Å).<sup>11</sup> The remaining fluorine ligand, F(2), coordinates to Xe(1), forming a Os(1)–F(2)···Xe(1) bridge in which the Xe(1)···F(2) contact (2.757(5) Å) is significantly less than the sum of the van der Waals radii for F and Xe (3.63 Å).<sup>165</sup> The Os(1)–F(2) bond length (1.927(5) Å) is longer than the terminal Os–F bond in the polymeric phase (1.879(1) Å)<sup>11</sup> but is significantly shorter than the Os---F bridge bonds in (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>. The Os(1)–F(2) bond length is, in fact, similar to those of the more polar Os–F bonds in the OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> anion (1.97(1)–1.91(1) Å),<sup>23</sup> and is rendered more basic by the trans influence of the Os(1)–O(1) bond.

The light atoms of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  form a distorted octahedral coordination sphere about each osmium atom. Although there is significant variation in the bond lengths around the osmium atoms, the light atom octahedra are relatively undistorted (Figure 6.1b), as shown by the nearest neighbor-ligand atom contacts.<sup>221</sup> The O(1)–Os(1)–F(2) angle (157.4(3)°) is bent away from the Os(1)–O(2,3) double bond domain towards the less repulsive Os(1)---F(1,1A) bridge bonds. The F(1), F(1A), O(2), and O(3) atoms are coplanar within ±0.0001 Å, with the osmium atom lying 0.161 Å out of this plane, and displaced towards O(1). The O(2)–Os(1)–O(3) angle (105.1(3)°) is considerably more open as a result of greater repulsion between the Os–O double bond domains, whereas the F(1)---Os(1)---F(1A) angle (70.2(2)°) is considerably more closed because of weaker repulsions between the longer and more polar Os---F bridge bond domains. The F(1A), F(2), O(1), O(3) [F(1), F(2), O(1), O(2)] atoms are coplanar within ±0.02 [±0.02] Å, and the osmium atom is displaced 0.262 [0.265] Å out of this plane towards O(2) [O(3)]. The displacement of the osmium atom occurs along the pseudo three-fold axis towards the facial oxygen ligands, which is consistent with the metal atom displacements observed for  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ ,<sup>11</sup> ReCl<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>2-,222</sup> and  $OsO_3F_3^{-23}$  and for the *cis*-dioxo species *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>,<sup>20</sup>  $\mu$ -F(*cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+,22</sup> *cis*-ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>-,45</sup> and *cis*-TcO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>-.47</sup> In the latter cases, the central metal atom (M) is displaced towards the *cis*-oxygen ligands along the axis bisecting the O–M–O angle.

The XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule has been structurally well characterized by <sup>19</sup>F NMR,<sup>99</sup> photoelectron,<sup>100</sup> Raman,<sup>101</sup> and gas-phase microwave spectroscopy,<sup>102-104</sup> and by singlecrystal X-ray diffraction.<sup>95</sup> Xenon oxide tetrafluoride has been shown to have a square pyramidal geometry based on a AX<sub>4</sub>YE VSEPR arrangement, with an axial oxygen atom, four co-planar fluorine atoms in equatorial positions, and an axial valence electron lone pair. The long F(2)...Xe(1) contact in the present structure has no perceptible effect on the geometry of XeOF<sub>4</sub> which retains its square-based pyramidal geometry, providing geometric parameters (Table 6.2) that are in good agreement with those reported previously.<sup>95, 103, 104</sup> The only other crystal structure containing the XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule is [XeF<sub>5</sub>][SbF<sub>6</sub>]·XeOF<sub>4</sub>.<sup>95</sup> The xenon atom of the XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule in this structure has a short Xe…F contact with a fluorine atom of the SbF<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup> anion but has no contacts with the  $XeF_5^+$  cation. This fluorine bridge interaction also does not significantly distort the square-pyramidal geometry of the XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule nor does it result in significant elongation of the Sb-F bridge bond. In the present structure, the primary Xe-F bond lengths range between 1.907(5) and 1.918(5) Å and are equal within  $\pm 3\sigma$ . The O-Xe-F

bond angles are in the range 90.6(3) to 91.5(3)<sup>o</sup> and are equal within  $\pm 3\sigma$ , indicating that the repulsive effect of the oxygen double bond domain is comparable to that of the electron lone pair. This is consistent with the crystal structure of [XeF<sub>5</sub>][SbF<sub>6</sub>]·XeOF<sub>4</sub><sup>95</sup> as well as with gas-phase microwave and electron diffraction studies of XeOF<sub>4</sub>.<sup>104</sup>

# 6.2.3 Raman Spectroscopy.

The low-temperature, solid-state Raman spectra of (OsO3F2)<sub>∞</sub>, (OsO3F2)<sub>2</sub>, and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$ ·2XeOF<sub>4</sub> are shown in Figures 6.2, 6.3, and 6.4, respectively. The observed and calculated frequencies and assignments for  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  and for  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$ ·2XeOF<sub>4</sub> are listed in Tables 6.3 and 6.4, respectively, where the atom numbering schemes are given in Figures 6.5, 6.6a, and 6.6b, respectively. Spectral assignments for (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub> and (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·2XeOF<sub>4</sub> were made by comparison with the calculated frequencies and Raman intensities (Table 6.4) for the energy-minimized gasphase geometries of (OsO3F2)2, XeOF4, and (OsO3F2)2.2XeOF4 and by comparison with the experimental frequencies of XeOF4<sup>101</sup> (Table D2). The vibrational assignments for  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  were made by comparison with the calculated frequencies and assignments of the presently unknown ( $\mu$ -FOsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sup>-</sup> anion (Tables 6.3 and D3). The central  $OsO_3F_3$  group of  $(\mu$ -FOsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sup>-</sup> is comprised of two *cis*-bridged fluorine atoms, one terminal fluorine atom, and a fac-OsO<sub>3</sub> moiety, providing a good approximation of the repeat unit in the fluorine-bridged polymer. Moreover, the formal charge of the anion is evenly dispersed over the light atoms (see Table D4) and is not expected to have a significant effect on the vibrational frequencies of the central OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub> group.



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Figure 6.2. Raman spectrum of (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)∞ recorded at −150 °C using 1064-nm excitation; the symbols denote FEP sample tube lines (\*) and an instrumental artifact (†).



Figure 6.3. Raman spectrum of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  recorded at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation; the symbols denote FEP sample tube lines (\*) and an instrumental artifact (†).



Figure 6.4. Raman spectrum of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  recorded at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation; the symbols denote FEP sample tube lines (\*) and an instrumental artifact (†).

Table 6.3.	Raman	Frequencies,	Intensities,	and	Assignments	for	$(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ ,	and
	Calculat	ed Vibrational	Frequencies	and I	ntensities for (µ	ı-FO	sO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> OsO <sub>3</sub>	F <sup>-</sup>

	$(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$	······	$(\mu - \text{FOsO}_3\text{F}_2)_2\text{OsO}_3\text{F}^-(C_1)^d$		
	Exptl		C	alcd	assgnts <sup>e</sup>
a	ь	c	SVWN	B3LYP	
953(100)	944vs	957(100)	971(158)[44]	1014(97)[39]	$\nu(Os_bO_{t1}) + \nu(Os_bO_{t2}) + \nu(Os_bO_t)$
			970(48)[35]	1008(56)[54]	
			966(2)[97]	1007(72)[67]	
		952(28)	965(10)[217]	994(13)[191]	$ \begin{array}{l} \nu(Os_bO_{t1}) - \nu(Os_bO_{t2}) + \\ \nu(Os_bO_{t})_{small} \end{array} $
947(28)		949(33)	964(19)[223]	992(12)[167]	$v(Os_bO_{t1}) + v(Os_bO_{t2})_{small} - v(Os_bO_{t})$
			961(86)[108]	985(29)[49]	
			955(27)[39]	983(17)[336]	
			952(21)[15]	980(13)[127]	
941(22)	934mw	945(30)	945(22)[105]	977(10)[69]	$ \begin{aligned} & [\nu(Os_bO_t) + \nu(Os_1O_2) + \\ & \nu(Os_2O_4)] - [\nu(Os_bO_{t1}) + \\ & \nu(Os_1O_1) + \nu(Os_2O_5)] \end{aligned} $
748(<1)					
725(<1)					
662(2)					
644(2)	633w	610(2)	652(14)[104]	614(2)[182]	$ \begin{aligned} \nu(Os_bF_t) &- [\nu(Os_1F_1) + \nu(Os_1F_2) \\ &+ \nu(Os_2F_4) + \nu(Os_2F_5)]_{small} \end{aligned} $
			628(8)[105]	607(<1)[145]	
596(2)	613mw	596(6)	621(14)[90]	598(17)[7]	$v(Os_bF_t) + [v(Os_1F_1) + v(Os_1F_2) + v(Os_2F_4) + v(Os_2F_5)]_{small}$
588(2)			567(4)[67]	545(4)[50]	
			560(7)[47]	542(3)[38]	
		413(2)	509(13)[100]	471(5)[73]	$[\nu(Os_bF_{b1}) + \nu(Os_bF_{b2})] - [\nu(Os_1F_{b1}) + \nu(Os_2F_{b2})]$
428(<1) br	449w	404(4)	477(4)[97]	443(<1)[140]	$[v(Os_bF_{b1}) + v(Os_2F_{b2})] - [v(Os_bF_{b2}) + v(Os_1F_{b1})]$
			391(13)[3]	416(3)[3]	
			388(7)[2]	415(2)[3]	
	397m	398(10)	381(5)[5]	405(3)[6]	$\delta(Os_bO_tO_{t1}O_{t2})_{oop}$
		394(11)	378(6)[1]	401(7)[7]	$\delta(O_{t1}Os_bO_{t2})$
389(18)	387m	389(29)	373(5)[5]	398(3)[8]	$\delta(O_tOs_bO_{t2}) - \delta(O_tOs_bO_{t1})$
			372(3)[6]	392(7)[4]	
			369(6)[2]	391(7)[3]	
			365(5)[7]	389(2)[27]	
			362(6)[14]	383(2)[36]	
			349(1)[12]	349(<1)[18]	$\rho_w(F_{b1}Os_bF_{b2}) + \delta(F_4Os_2F_5)$
			339(<1)[11]	337(1)[7]	deformation mode
318(<1)		324(2)	314(<1)[13]	336(<1)[9]	$\frac{\delta(Os_bF_1F_{b1}F_{b2})_{oop} + \delta(O_1Os_1O_2) - \delta(F_1Os_1F_2)}{\delta(F_1Os_1F_2)}$

Table 6.3.(Continued ...)

$(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$			$(\mu - FOsO_3F_2)$	${}_{2}\mathrm{OsO}_{3}\mathrm{F}^{-}\left(C_{1}\right)^{d}$		
	exptl		calcd			assgnts <sup>e</sup>
а	ь	c	SVWN	B3LYP	-	
	. <u> </u>	313(1)	310(1)[9]	318(1)[41]		$\rho_{w}(F_{4}Os_{2}O_{4}) + \rho_{w}(F_{4}Os_{2}F_{b2})$
		301(1)	303(1)[18]	306(2)[14]	l	
283(<1)		287(3)	284(5)[15]	293(1)[18]	ſ	deformation modes
271(3)	269w	273(5)	277(4)[11]	282(2)[5]		$\delta(F_{1}Os_{b}O_{1}) + \rho_{t}(O_{1}Os_{1}O_{3}) + \rho_{w}(F_{1}Os_{1}F_{2}) + \rho_{w}(F_{4}Os_{2}F_{5}) + \rho_{t}(O_{6}Os_{2}O_{4})$
		262 sh	269(5)[10]	278(2)[9]	l	
			250(1)[10]	267(1)[16]	ſ	deformation modes
		245(1)	237(3)[51]	234(1)[36]		$\begin{array}{l} \rho_t(F_{b2}Os_bF_t) + \rho_t(F_{b1}Os_bF_t) + \\ \rho_t(O_tOs_bO_{t1}) \end{array}$
	235w	223(2)	235(<1)[38]	214(1)[27]		$\delta(F_{b1}Os_bF_{b2}) + \rho_w(F_tOs_bO_t)$
212(2)		214(2)	218(1)[14]	207(<1)[234]		$\rho_{r}(F_{b1}Os_{b}F_{b2}) - \rho_{r}(O_{t1}Os_{b}O_{t2}) + \delta(O_{t}Os_{b}F_{t2}) + \rho_{t}(O_{t}Os_{b}O_{t2}) + \delta(O_{t}Os_{b}O_{t2}) + \delta(O_{t}Os_{b}Os_{b}O_{t2}) + \delta(O_{t}Os_{b}Os_$
	190w	176(4)	182(1)[3]	168(<1)[2]	J	0(0403214) + pr(0303206)
		163(1)	169(1)[1]	166(<1)[1]	}	deformation modes
	156w	150(2)	147(<1)[3]	155(<1)[20]	J	
		135(2)	144(<1)[1]	146(<1)[<1]		$\rho_r(O_{t1}Os_bO_{t2}) + \rho_w(O_tOs_bF_t)$
			134(1)[1]	130(<1)[1]		
		120(2)	120(<1)[1]	128(<1)[2]		
		91(2)	109(<1)[<1]	110(<1)[3]		
			95(<0.1)[4]	66(<1)[1]		
			84(<0.1)[<1]	44(<1)[<1]	}	deformation modes
			81(<0.1)[1]	37(<1)[<1]		
			65(<0.1)[<1]	19(<0.1)[1]		
			52(<1)[<1]	16(<1)[<1]		
			44(<1)[<1]	14(<0.1)[1]		
			39(<1)[1]	7(<0.1)[1]	J	

<sup>*a*</sup> From Ref 17. <sup>*b*</sup> From Ref 16. The abbreviations denote very strong (vs), medium (m), medium weak (mw), and weak (w) intensities. <sup>*c*</sup> The Raman spectrum was recorded on a microcrystalline sample in a FEP tube at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation. The experimental Raman intensities given in parentheses are relative intensities with the most intense band given as 100. The abbreviation, n.o., denotes not observed. <sup>*d*</sup> SVWN/SDDall. B3LYP/Stuttgart cc-pVTZ. Values in parentheses denote calculated Raman intensities (amu Å<sup>-4</sup>) and values in square brackets denote calculated infrared intensities (km mol<sup>-1</sup>). <sup>*e*</sup> Assignments are for the energy-minimized geometry calculated at the B3LYP level; only the mode assignments that involve the central Os<sub>b</sub>O<sub>t</sub>O<sub>t1</sub>O<sub>t2</sub>F<sub>t</sub>F<sub>b1</sub>F<sub>b2</sub> unit are provided. See Table D3 for a complete set of assignments. See Figure 6.5 for the atom labeling scheme. The abbreviations denote stretch (v), bend ( $\delta$ ), umbrella ( $\delta_{umb}$ ), twist ( $\rho_t$ ), wag ( $\rho_w$ ), and rock ( $\rho_r$ ).

exptl <sup>a</sup>		····	C;	alcd <sup>d</sup>	<u> </u>	assgnts $(C_1)^e$		
$(OsO_3F_2)_2^b$	$(OsO_3F_2)_2$ · 2XeOF <sub>4</sub> <sup>c</sup>	(OsO3	$F_{2})_{2}(C_{2h})$	$(OsO_3F_2)_2$ ·2XeOF <sub>4</sub> ( $C_i$ )		(OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ·2XeOF <sub>4</sub>		
		SVWN	B3LYP	SVWN	B3LYP			
n.o.	n.o.	994(0)[166]	1029(0)[85]	997(0)[100]	1035(0)[73]	$[\nu(OsO_1) + \nu(OsO_2) + \nu(OsO_3)] - [\nu(Os'O_1') + \nu(Os'O_3') + \nu(Os'O_2')]$		
955(100)	962(100)	990(114)[0]	1031(116)[0]	1000(162)[0]	1037(114)[0]	$\nu(OsO_1) + \nu(OsO_2) + \nu(OsO_3) + \nu(Os'O_1') + \nu(Os'O_2') + \nu(Os'O_3')$		
n.o.	948(1)	986(0)[126]	1018(0)[225]	1003(0)[117]	1025(0)[181]	$[\nu(OsO_2) + \nu(Os'O_3')] - [\nu(OsO_3) + \nu(Os'O_2')]$		
948 sh 944(16) }	957(39)	986(51)[0]	1010(50)[0]	996(36)[0]	1017(40)[0]	$[\nu(OsO_2) + \nu(Os'O_2')] - [\nu(OsO_3) + \nu(Os'O_3')]$		
n.o.	n.o.	979(0)[128]	1007(0)[230]	962(0)[158]	1011(0)[269]	$\nu(OsO_1) - \nu(Os'O_1')$		
937(7)	940(47)	972(27)[0]	1001(23)[0]	954(136)[0]	1005(42)[0]	$\nu(OsO_1) + \nu(Os'O_1')$		
	921(12)			902(191)[0]	890(74)[0]	$v(XeO_4) + v(Xe'O_4')$		
	911(1)			901(0)[111]	890(0)[77]	$\nu(XeO_4) - \nu(Xe'O_4)$		
n.o.		649(0)[130]	632(0)[162]			$\nu(\mathrm{Os}\mathrm{F}_2) - \nu(\mathrm{Os}'\mathrm{F}_2')$		
	n.o.			616(0)[304]	594(0)[456]	$[\nu(OsF_2) - \nu(Os'F_2')] + [\nu(Xe'F_2') - \nu(XeF_2)]$		
604(1) br		630(17)[0]	616(10)[0]			$\nu(\mathrm{Os}F_2) + \nu(\mathrm{Os}'F_2')$		
	n.o.			588(0)[333]	585(0)[472]	$[v(XeF_3 + XeF_5) + v(Xe'F_4' + Xe'F_6')] - [v(XeF_4 + XeF_6) + v(Xe'F_3' + Xe'F_5')]$		
	594(6)			601(36)[0]	585(6)[0]	$[v(XeF_4 + XeF_5) + v(Xe'F_4' + Xe'F_5')] - [v(XeF_3 + XeF_6) + v(Xe'F_3' + Xe'F_6')]$		
	n.o.			594(0)[416]	584(0)[366]	$[v(XeF_4 + XeF_5) + v(Xe'F_3' + Xe'F_6')] - [v(XeF_3 + XeF_6) + v(Xe'F_4' + Xe'F_5')]$		
	560(12)			589(11)[0]	584(1)[0]	$[v(XeF_5) + v(Xe'F_5')] - [v(XeF_6) + v(Xe'F_6')]$		
	572(48)			579(8)[0]	571(28)[0]	$[v(OsF_2) + v(Os'F_2')] - [v(XeF_2) + v(Xe'F_2')]$		
	n.o.			536(0)[11]	546(0)[3]	$\nu(XeF_{4e}) - \nu(Xe'F_{4e}')$		
	540(51)			536(78)[0]	544(80)[0]	$v(XeF_{4e}) + v(Xe'F_{4e'})$		
	525(58)			506(23)[0]	505(34)[0]	$[v(XeF_3 + XeF_4) + v(Xe'F_3' + Xe'F_4')] - [v(XeF_5 + XeF_6) + v(Xe'F_5' + Xe'F_6')]$		
	n.o.			508(0)[11]	505(0)[<1]	$[v(XeF_3 + XeF_4) + v(XeF_5' + XeF_6')] - [v(XeF_5 + XeF_6) + v(Xe'F_3' + Xe'F_4')]$		

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**Table 6.4.** Calculated and Experimental Vibrational Frequencies, Intensities, and Assignments for  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$ 

# Table 6.4. (continued ...)

453(1) br	450(3)	450(3)[0]	441(3)[0]	457(3)[0]	447(2)[0]	$\nu(\mathrm{Os}F_1) + \nu(\mathrm{Os}'F_1) + \nu(\mathrm{Os}'F_1') + \nu(\mathrm{Os}F_1')$
n.o.	<b>n</b> .o.	394(0)[5]	421(0)[55]	440(0)[44]	420(0)[58]	$\delta(O_1OsF_1) - \delta(O_1'Os'F_1')$
<b>n</b> .o.	n.o.	449(0)[170]	413(0)[109]	396(0)[4]	413(0)[45]	$[\delta(OsO_1O_2O_3) - \delta(Os'O_1'O_2'O_3')] + [\nu(OsF_1) + \nu(OsF_1')] - [\nu(Os'F_1) + \nu(Os'F_1')]$
409(2)	409(4)	376(7)[0]	412(5)[0]	413(8)[0]	413(5)[0]	$[\delta(O_1OsO_2) + \delta(O_1'Os'O_2')] + [\nu(OsF_1) + \nu(Os'F_1')] - [\nu(Os'F_1) + \nu(OsF_1')]$
399 sh 396(9)	392(16)	381(7)[0]	408(6)[0]	380(25)[0]	407(6)[0]	$\delta(\mathrm{OsO_1O_2O_3}) + \delta(\mathrm{Os'O_1'O_2'O_3'})$
n.o.	n.o.	374(0)[9]	398(0)[3]	378(0)[6]	400(0)[2]	$[\delta(O_1OsO_2) - \delta(O_1'Os'O_2')] + [\delta(O_2'Os'O_3') - \delta(O_2OsO_3)]$
386(13)	388(11)	361(6)[0]	383(5)[0]	377(22)[0]	383(4)[0]	$\delta(O_2O_3O_3) + \delta(O_2'O_3'O_3')$
376(5)	379(19)	415(1)[0]	374(3)[0]	365(9)[0]	375(4)[0]	$[\nu(OsF_1) + \nu(Os'F_1')] - [\nu(OsF_1') + \nu(Os'F_1)] + \delta(O_3OsF_2) + \delta(O_3'Os'F_2')$
n.o.	381(3)	359(0)[13]	380(0)[39]	364(0)[6]	380(0)[25]	$\delta(O_2OsO_3) - \delta(O_2'Os'O_3')$
337(1)	n.o.	344(0)[10]	353(0)[14]	341(0)[10]	348(0)[16]	$\delta(F_1 Os F_2) - \delta(F_1 'Os F_2')$
<b>n</b> .o.	n.o.	355(0)[22]	334(0)[37]	356(0)[19]	337(0)[27]	$[\nu(\mathrm{Os}F_1) + \nu(\mathrm{Os}'F_1)] - [\nu(\mathrm{Os}F_1') + \nu(\mathrm{Os}'F_1')]$
	n.o.			308(0)[6]	327(0)[7]	$\delta(O_4 XeF_5) - \delta(O_4' Xe'F_5')$
	361 sh			311(5)[0]	327(6)[0]	$\delta(O_4XeF_3) + \delta(O_4'Xe'F_3')$
	364(14)			308(5)[0]	327(5)[0]	$\delta(O_4XeF_5) + \delta(O_4'Xe'F_5')$
	n.o.			310(0)[5]	327(0)[7]	$\delta(O_4XeF_3) - \delta(O_4'Xe'F_3')$
308(1)	304(1)	299(<1)[0]	302(<1)[0]	310(3)[0]	300(<1)[0]	$\rho_t(F_1OsF_1')$
n.o.	n.o.	271(0)[5]	284(0)[3]	284(0)[14]	281(0)[2]	$[\rho_{r}(O_{2}OsO_{3}) - \rho_{r}(O_{2}'Os'O_{3}')] + [\rho_{w}(O_{1}OsF_{2}) - \rho_{w}(O_{1}'Os'F_{2}')]$
271(4)	288(4)	278(5)[0]	280(4)[0]	282(5)[0]	277(5)[0]	$\delta(O_1OsF_2) + \delta(O_1'Os'F_2')$
	282(1)			241(0)[128]	263(0)[80]	$\delta_{urnb}(XeF_{4e}) - \delta_{urnb}(Xe'F_{4e}')$
<b>n</b> .o.	n.o.	243(0)[63]	250(0)[94]	254(0)[42]	243(0)[130]	$\delta(O_1OsF_2) - \delta(O_1'Os'F_2')$
	240 sh 235(5)			249(3)[0]	264(1)[0]	$\delta_{\text{umb}}(XeF_{4e}) + \delta_{\text{umb}}(Xe'F_{4e}')$
	203(2)			188(3)[0]	209(4)[0]	$\delta(F_4XeF_5) + \delta(F_3XeF_6) + \delta(F_4'Xe'F_5') + \delta(F_3'Xe'F_6')$
	<b>n</b> .o.			187(0) [<1]	209(0)[<0.1]	$[\delta(F_4XeF_5) + \delta(F_3XeF_6)] - [\delta(F_4XeF_5') + \delta(F_3'XeF_6')]$
192(3)	201(3)	201(1)[0]	206(1)[0]	199(2)[0]	205(1)[0]	$\rho_{r}(OsO_{1}O_{2}O_{3}F_{2}) + \rho_{r}(Os'O_{1}'O_{2}'O_{3}'F_{2}')$
166(2)	170(1)	177(1)[0]	172(<1)[0]	205(2)[0]	178(<1)[0]	$[\rho_{w}(O_{1}OsF_{2}) + \rho_{w}(O_{1}'Os'F_{2}')] + \rho_{r}(F_{1}OsF_{1}')$
	<b>n</b> .o.			182(0)[<1]	173(0)[<0.1]	$[\rho_{1}(F_{3}XeF_{5}) + \rho_{1}(F_{3}'Xe'F_{5}')] - [\rho_{1}(F_{4}XeF_{6}) + \rho_{1}(F_{4}'Xe'F_{6}')]$

# Table 6.4.(continued ...)

	160(3)			182(<1)[0]	171(<1)[0]	$[\rho_t(F_3XeF_5) + \rho_t(F_4'Xe'F_6')] - [\rho_t(F_4XeF_6) + \rho_t(F_3'Xe'F_5')]$
	n.o.			132(0)[1]	151(0)[<1]	$[\delta(F_3XeF_5) + \delta(F_4'XeF_6')] - [\delta(F_4XeF_6) + \delta(F_3'Xe'F_5')]$
	154-1			130(1)[0]	151(<1)[0]	$[\delta(F_3XeF_5) + \delta(F_3'Xe'F_5')] - [\delta(F_4XeF_6) + \delta(F_4'Xe'F_6')]$
	134 sn			142(1)[0]	150(<1)[0]	$[\delta(F_3XeF_6) + \delta(F_3'Xe'F_6')] - [\delta(F_4XeF_5) + \delta(F_4'Xe'F_5')]$
	n.o.			139(0)[2]	150(0)[<1]	$[\delta(F_3XeF_5) + \delta(F_4'XeF_5')] - [\delta(F_4XeF_5) + \delta(F_3'Xe'F_6')]$
n.o.	143(4)	140(1)[0]	135(1)[0]	141(2)[0]	136(1)[0]	breathing of $(OsO_3F_2)_2$
n.o.	121(1)	117(0)[<0.1]	117(0)[<1]	153(0)[1]	122(0)[1]	$\rho_t(OsO_2O_3F_2) - \rho_t(Os'O_2'O_3'F_2')$
n.o.	118(1)	109(0)[2]	108(0)[2]	123(0)[4]	109(0)[2]	$\rho_{r}(OsO_{1}O_{2}O_{3}F_{1}F_{2})-\rho_{r}(Os'O_{1}'O_{2}'O_{3}'F_{1}'F_{2}')$
n.o.	102 sh	92(0)[<0.1]	99(0)[<0.1]	119(0)[<1]	101(0)[<0.1]	$\rho_t(OsO_1O_2O_3) - \rho_t(Os'O_1'O_2'O_3')$
	98(1)	82(<1)[0]	75(<1)[0]	103(4)[0]	74(<1)[0]	$\rho_{t}(O_{2}OsO_{3}) + \rho_{t}(O_{2}'Os'O_{3}')$
	64(2)			106(4)[0]	45(1)[0]	
	<b>n</b> .o.			99(0)[<1]	39(0)[1]	
	n.o.			82(<1)[0]	34(1)[0]	
	<b>n</b> .o.			63(0)[3]	32(0)[1]	
	n.o.			83(1)[0]	26(1)[0]	
	n.o.			78(0)[<1]	26(0)[<1]	$random V_{COE}$ and $(O_{COE})$ and $random V_{COE}$
	n.o.			49(<1)[0]	13(<1)[0]	coupred XeOr4 and (OsO3r2/2 modes
	n.o.			36(<1)[0]	10(<1)[0]	
	n.o.			30(0) [<0.1]	9(0)[<0.1]	
	n.o.			67(<1)[0]	9(<1)[0]	
	n.o.			48(0)[<1]	8(0)[<1]	
	n.o.			23(0)[<1]	4(0)[<1]	
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# Table 6.4.(continued ...)

<sup>*a*</sup> The Raman spectrum was recorded on a microcrystalline solid sample in a FEP tube at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation. Experimental Raman intensities are given in parentheses and are relative intensities with the most intense band given as 100. The abbreviations denote shoulder (sh), broad (br), and not observed (n.o.). <sup>*b*</sup> Bands were also observed at 276(sh), 280(sh), and 288(sh) cm<sup>-1</sup> but are unassigned. <sup>*c*</sup> Bands were also observed at 136(3), 274(7), 605(1), and 661(1) cm<sup>-1</sup> but are unassigned. <sup>*d*</sup> SVWN/SDDall. Values in parentheses denote calculated Raman intensities (amu Å<sup>-4</sup>) and values in square brackets denote calculated infrared intensities (km mol<sup>-1</sup>). <sup>*e*</sup> Assignments are for the energy-minimized geometry calculated at the B3LYP level. See Figure 6.6a for the atom labeling scheme of (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·2XeOF<sub>4</sub>. The abbreviations denote stretch (v), bend ( $\delta$ ), twist ( $\rho_t$ ), wag ( $\rho_w$ ), rock ( $\rho_r$ ), and umbrella ( $\delta_{umb}$ ). The atoms F<sub>3</sub>, F<sub>4</sub>, F<sub>5</sub>, F<sub>6</sub> and F<sub>3</sub>', F<sub>4</sub>', F<sub>5</sub>', F<sub>6</sub>' are represented as F<sub>4e</sub> and F<sub>4e</sub>', respectively.









**Figure 6.6.** Calculated B3LYP gas-phase geometries for (a)  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  ( $C_{2h}$ ) and (b)  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  ( $C_i$ ).

# 6.2.3.1. (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)∞

The infrared and Raman spectra of matrix-isolated OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> monomer<sup>14, 15</sup> and the Raman spectrum of the low-temperature polymeric phase,  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ ,<sup>16, 17</sup> have been previously reported. The vibrational bands of matrix-isolated OsO3F2 were fully assigned under  $D_{3h}$  symmetry and the  ${}^{16}\text{O}/{}^{18}\text{O}$  isotopic shifts for the Os ${}^{16}\text{O}_3\text{F}_2$ , Os ${}^{16}\text{O}_2{}^{18}\text{O}\text{F}_2$ ,  $Os^{16}O^{18}O_2F_2$ , and  $Os^{18}O_3F_2$  isotopomers were used to calculate the principal and the interaction force constants and to confirm the vibrational assignments.<sup>14</sup> Two prior vibrational studies of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}^{16, 17}$  are at considerable variance with each other and with the present study (Table 6.3). The Raman spectrum of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  has been reexamined in the present study, providing frequencies and intensities that were reproducible over multiple preparations of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  using different synthetic procedures (see Ref 11 and eqs 6.3 and 6.5). In addition, more precise descriptions and assignments of the vibrational modes, based on the calculated vibrational frequencies and atomic displacements for  $(\mu$ -FOsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sup>-</sup>, are also reported. The SVWN and B3LYP frequencies (Table 6.3) agree well with each other and for the purpose of this discussion, the B3LYP frequencies are explicitly referred to in the subsequent discussion.

Four well-resolved bands occur at 945, 949, 952, and 957 cm<sup>-1</sup> in the  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  spectrum that are assigned to coupled  $Os_b$ –O stretching modes. The calculated frequencies associated with the central  $OsO_3F_3$  unit of the  $(\mu$ -FOsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sup>-</sup> anion (977, 992, 994, and 1014 cm<sup>-1</sup>) are overestimated with respect to those of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  but well reproduce the experimental trend. The Os–O stretching frequencies are overestimated by similar amounts for the benchmark, *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> (Table D5).

The infinite chain  $OsO_3F_2$  polymer contains two fluorine environments, a terminal  $(F_t)$  and a bridging  $(F_b)$  environment. The  $Os_b-F_t$  stretching bands (596 and 610 cm<sup>-1</sup>) are weak and are in good agreement with the coupled  $Os_b-F_t$  stretching modes calculated for  $(\mu$ -FOsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sup>-</sup> (598 and 614 cm<sup>-1</sup>). The stretching bands involving  $Os_b-F_{b(1,2)}$  (404 and 413 cm<sup>-1</sup>) are also weak, but their frequencies are not modeled as well by  $(\mu$ -FOsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sup>-</sup>, with the predicted values occurring at much higher frequencies (443 and 471 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively). As anticipated, the  $Os_b-F_t$  stretching modes occur at higher frequencies than those involving  $Os_b-F_{b(1,2)}$ , in accord with the shorter bond length of  $Os_b-F_t$  (1.879(1) Å) relative to that of  $Os_b-F_b$  (2.126(1) Å).<sup>11</sup>

A limited number of the calculated bending modes (146, 214, 234, 398, 401, and 405 cm<sup>-1</sup>) are exclusively associated with the central  $OsO_3F_3$  unit and have been explicitly assigned, i.e., the bands at 389, 394, and 398 cm<sup>-1</sup> can be reliably associated with O-Os<sub>b</sub>-O bending modes. Detailed descriptions were not attempted for the remaining bending modes because the central  $OsO_3F_3$  and terminal  $OsO_3F_2$  units are extensively coupled. Because  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  does not have significant contributions from terminal groups, the highly coupled bending modes of the central  $OsO_3F_3$  and terminal  $OsO_3F_3$  and terminal  $OsO_3F_2$  units in  $(\mu$ -FOsO\_3F\_2)\_2OsO\_3F^- are inappropriate models for the bending modes in  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ .

# 6.2.3.2. (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub> and (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·2XeOF<sub>4</sub>.

Under  $C_1$  symmetry, all vibrational modes (30 A for  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  and 66 A for  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$ ·2XeOF<sub>4</sub>) are predicted to be both infrared- and Raman-active. Although correlation of the gas-phase adduct symmetry ( $C_i$ ) to the crystal site symmetry ( $C_1$ ) results

in no additional band splittings, correlation of the site symmetry to the centrosymmetric unit cell symmetry ( $C_i$  with Z = 1) results in equal apportioning of the vibrational modes between Ag and Au symmetries (Table D6). Thus, 33 of the 66 A modes of (OsO3F2)2·2XeOF4 are Raman-active Ag modes and 33 are infrared-active Au modes under the unit cell symmetry. In accord with the factor-group analysis, 37 vibrational bands were observed in the Raman spectrum. The calculated frequencies at the SVWN and B3LYP levels are in good agreement with each other. The degree of coupling between the  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  and XeOF<sub>4</sub> modes varies with the level of theory, with stronger coupling occurring at the SVWN level. The predominant components in the mode descriptions, however, are the same at both levels and are therefore used as the basis for discussion. The differences arise because the Xe atom of the XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule is coordinated to  $F(2)/F_2$  of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  in both the experimental and B3LYP geometries, while the Xe atom is coordinated to both  $F(2)/F_2$  and  $O(1A)/O_1$  of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  in the SVWN geometry (see Calculated Geometries). Because the B3LYP geometry better reproduces the experimental geometry, the B3LYP frequencies and corresponding mode descriptions are referred to in the following discussion.

The Os–O stretching frequencies of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  (Table 6.4) are comparable to those of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ . The Os–O stretching modes of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$ are not coupled to any of the XeOF<sub>4</sub> modes and are only slightly shifted to higher frequency relative to those of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$ .

The Os– $F(_{2,2}')$  and Xe– $F(_{2,2}')$  bridge stretching modes of the fluorine bridge are coupled, giving rise to two modes,  $([v(OsF_2) - v(Os'F_2')] + [v(Xe'F_2') - v(XeF_2)])$  and

 $([v(OsF_2) + v(Os'F_2')] - [v(Xe'F_2') + v(XeF_2)])$ . Only the latter mode is observed at 572 cm<sup>-1</sup> as a strong band, which is in good agreement with the calculated frequency (571 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and strong intensity. The frequency of this mode is shifted to lower frequency when compared with that of the  $[v(OsF_2) + v(Os'F_2')]$  mode in  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$ , observed at 604 cm<sup>-1</sup> as a broad, low-intensity band. The experimental frequency difference upon going from the dimer to the adduct (32 cm<sup>-1</sup>) is in reasonable agreement with the calculated shift (45 cm<sup>-1</sup>). A similar shift (38 cm<sup>-1</sup>) was calculated for the modes involving  $[v(OsF_2) - v(Os'F_2')]$ .

In contrast, and as expected, all stretching mode descriptions and frequencies that involve Os– $F(_{1,1}')$  are nearly identical for both  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$ . The inphase mode,  $[v(OsF_1) + v(Os'F_1) + v(Os'F_1') + v(OsF_1')]$ , appears as a weak band at 453 and 450 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. The out-of-phase mode,  $[v(OsF_1) + v(Os'F_1')] - [v(Os'F_1) + v(OsF_1')]$ , is significantly coupled with bending modes, giving rise to bands at 376 and 409 cm<sup>-1</sup> for the dimer and at 379 and 409 cm<sup>-1</sup> for the adduct. The frequency at 409 cm<sup>-1</sup> is in very good agreement with the Os<sub>b</sub>–F<sub>b</sub> frequencies of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  (404, 413 cm<sup>-1</sup>).

Most of the O–Os–O, F–Os–O, and F–Os–F bending modes are not coupled or are very weakly coupled to the F–Xe–F and F–Xe–O bending modes of the  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  adduct and are generally in very good agreement with the calculated values, as well as with the experimental and calculated values for  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  and  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ .

The XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecules adducted to  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  are rendered non-equivalent because the  $C_i$  site symmetry of the adduct results in lowering of the free molecule symmetry from  $C_{4\nu}$  to local  $C_1$  symmetry and removal of the degeneracies of the E vibrational modes. In addition, all XeOF<sub>4</sub> vibrational modes are coupled to each other but, for the most part, do not exhibit significant coupling with the  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  modes, except in the case noted above.

Both the symmetric (921 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and asymmetric (911 cm<sup>-1</sup>) Xe–O stretching modes of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$ ·2XeOF<sub>4</sub> occur at higher frequencies than the calculated values (890 and 890 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively, Table 6.4). The Xe–O stretching modes are shifted to lower frequency than that of the experimental and calculated gas-phase XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule<sup>101</sup> (927 and 928 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively, Table D2), in accordance with coordination of the Lewis acidic XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule.

## 6.2.4. Computational Results.

The geometries of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  (Figure 6.6) optimized under  $C_{2h}$  and  $C_i$  symmetries, respectively, and resulted in stationary points with all frequencies real. The starting geometries for both energy minimizations were the crystallographic geometries. Although  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  optimized to  $C_{2h}$  symmetry, the geometry is very close to  $C_i$  symmetry, which is reflected in the atom labeling scheme used in Figure 6.6a. The energy-minimized geometries and vibrational frequencies of the benchmarks, XeOF<sub>4</sub> ( $C_{4v}$ ) and cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> ( $C_{2v}$ ) (Tables D2 and D5, respectively) were also calculated. The geometry of the XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule has been energy minimized using the SVWN/SDDall and B3LYP/aug-cc-pVTZ methods and provides geometrical parameters and frequencies that are similar to the experimental values of XeOF<sub>4</sub><sup>101</sup> and (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·2XeOF<sub>4</sub>.

The energy-minimized geometry of the presently unknown ( $\mu$ -FOsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sup>-</sup> anion was obtained for  $C_1$  symmetry (Table D7), resulting in a stationary point with all frequencies real. Descriptions of the vibrational modes are provided in Table D3. The vibrational modes and frequencies of the ( $\mu$ -FOsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sup>-</sup> anion were used to aid the vibrational assignments of the infinite-chain polymer, (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>∞</sub>. The central OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub> group of the anion provided a satisfactory model for the OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub> group of the polymer. Moreover, the formal negative charge of the anion is essentially equally distributed among all of the electronegative light atoms (see Table D4) so that the formal negative charge may be expected to have a minimal effect on the geometrical parameters and vibrational frequencies associated with the OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub> group.

# **6.2.4.1.** Calculated Geometries

#### 6.2.4.1.1. (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub> and (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·2XeOF<sub>4</sub>

The energy-minimized geometries calculated at the SVWN/SDDall (Figure D2) and B3LYP/Stuttgart(Os) aug-cc-pVTZ (Xe, O, F) levels (Figure 6.6b) for  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  only differ by the relative positions of the XeOF\_4 molecules in relation to the  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  dimer, with the B3LYP geometry more closely reproducing the experimental interaction between  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  and XeOF\_4. The experimental (2.757(5) Å) and SVWN (2.735 Å) Xe···F\_2 bond lengths are in close agreement, whereas the B3LYP bond length is slightly longer (2.968 Å). In contrast, the B3LYP (3.829 Å) and SVWN (2.872 Å) Xe···O<sub>1</sub>' contact distances are both shorter than the experimental distance (3.983(6) Å). The Xe atom of the XeOF\_4 molecule is nearly equidistant from O<sub>1</sub>' and F<sub>2</sub> at the SVWN level, whereas it is much closer to F(2)/F<sub>2</sub> for the experimental and B3LYP geometries. The Xe<sup>...</sup> $F(2)/F_2$ –Os bond angles for the experimental (163.2(2)°), B3LYP (158.6°), and SVWN (123.2°) geometries also reflect the shorter Xe<sup>...</sup> $F(2)/F_2$  distance.

The calculated  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  geometries are in good agreement with the experimental geometry of the dimer unit in  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$ , although the Os–O bond lengths are slightly overestimated in the calculated structures. Both calculated structures provide good estimates for the Os---F<sub>1</sub> bond lengths whereas the calculated Os-F<sub>2</sub> bond length of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  is underestimated when compared with the experimental and calculated values for  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$ . This is likely attributable to the significant interaction that occurs between F<sub>2</sub> and Xe in  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$ . The Os-O<sub>1</sub> and Os'-O<sub>1</sub>' bond lengths of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  calculated at the SVWN level (1.721 Å) are longer than the B3LYP (1.688 Å) and experimental (1.703(6) Å) values because of the much shorter  $O_{1,1}$ '...Xe(') contacts in the SVWN geometry. The absence of an interaction between O<sub>1</sub> and Xe in the experimental structure is also consistent with the similar calculated and experimental Os-O<sub>1</sub> bond lengths found for  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$ .

In both the calculated and experimental structures of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$ , the light atoms of the  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  dimer lie in two dihedral planes; one comprised of atoms  $O_2,O_3,Os,F_1,F_1',Os',O_2',O_3'$ , and the other comprised of atoms  $F_2,Os,O_1,O_1',Os',F_2'$ . In the case of the  $O_1$ --Os--F<sub>2</sub> and  $O_1'$ --Os'--F<sub>2</sub>' bond angles, both are bent towards the fluorine bridge atoms,  $F_1$  and  $F_1'$  (Figure 6.6).

The shorter  $O(_{1,1})$ ···Xe(') bond length obtained for the SVWN geometry results in a  $O_4$ -Xe···F<sub>2</sub> bond angle that is more closed than in the B3LYP and experimental geometries (154.6, 170.3 and 171.6(2)°, respectively). In both the SVWN and B3LYP geometries, the  $O_4$ -Xe···O<sub>1</sub>' bond angle is calculated to be larger than in the experimental structure (149.9, 142.7 and 128.5(2)°, respectively), with the difference likely due to crystal packing. In the geometry calculated at the SVWN level, the Xe atom is essentially equidistant from the F<sub>2</sub> atom and the O<sub>1</sub>' atom, while in the B3LYP geometry, the Xe atom lies along a line coincident with the Os-F<sub>2</sub> bond that has no significant interaction with O<sub>1</sub>', in agreement with the crystal structure. In both calculated structures, the Xe-F and Xe-O bond lengths of the XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule are slightly overestimated and the angle formed between O<sub>4</sub> and the plane defined by the F<sub>3</sub>, F<sub>4</sub>, F<sub>5</sub>, F<sub>6</sub> atoms is also slightly overestimated.

# 6.2.4.1.2. (μ-FOsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sup>-</sup>

The structure of the  $(\mu$ -FOsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sup>-</sup> anion, optimized at the B3LYP (Figure 6.5) and SVWN (values in square brackets) levels (Table D7), has both terminal OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> units orientated so that the Os<sub>1</sub>---F<sub>b1</sub>---Os<sub>b</sub>---F<sub>b2</sub>---Os<sub>2</sub> backbone forms a shallow W-shaped arrangement. The Os<sub>1</sub>---F<sub>b1</sub>---Os<sub>b</sub> (144.7 [129.8]) and Os<sub>2</sub>---F<sub>b2</sub>---Os<sub>b</sub> (144.4° [128.8]) bridge bond angles are bent away from each other, as a result,  $\angle$ Os<sub>1</sub>Os<sub>b</sub>Os<sub>2</sub> is significantly greater than 90° (106.5° [116.4]).

The Os<sub>1</sub>---F<sub>b1</sub> and Os<sub>2</sub>---F<sub>b2</sub> bridge bond lengths of the terminal OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub> units (av., 2.194 Å) are elongated with respect to the terminal Os<sub>(1,2)</sub>--F bond lengths (av., 1.922 Å). The bridging Os<sub>b</sub>---F<sub>b1</sub> and Os<sub>b</sub>---F<sub>b2</sub> bond lengths (av., 2.072 Å) and the terminal Os<sub>b</sub>--F<sub>t</sub> bond (1.904 Å) are shorter than the respective bridging Os<sub>1,2</sub>---F<sub>b</sub> and terminal Os<sub>1,2</sub>--F<sub>1,2,4,5</sub> bond lengths. In contrast with the experimental Os-O bond lengths of (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub> $\infty$ </sub> (1.727(1), 1.688(1), and 1.678(1) Å),<sup>Os8-001</sup> the calculated Os<sub>b</sub>-O<sub>(t,t1,t2)</sub> bond lengths of  $(\mu$ -FOsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sup>-</sup> are nearly equal and are not significantly influenced by the *trans*-fluorine ligands. It is noteworthy that the *trans*-influence on the Os–O bond lengths is observed for the experimental structure of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  but was not apparent in the calculated structures of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$ .

# 6.2.4.2. Charges, Valencies, and Bond Orders.

The NBO<sup>181-184</sup> analyses were carried out for the SVWN- and B3LYP-optimized gas-phase geometries of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$ ·2XeOF<sub>4</sub> and are similar (Table D8). Because the B3LYP geometry better reproduces the experimental geometry than the SVWN geometry (see Section 6.2.4.1), only the B3LYP results are referred to in the ensuing discussion.

The NBO analyses give natural charges of 2.19 and 2.18 for Os in  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$ , respectively, and 3.13 for Xe in  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$ . The natural charge of the Xe atom is approximately half of its formal oxidation number and the oxygen and fluorine atoms are also close to half of their respective formal oxidation numbers, indicating that the bonding in  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  is, as expected, polar covalent. The Os---F<sub>1</sub> bridge bond order (0.23, 0.23) is approximately half that of the terminal Os-F<sub>2</sub> bond (0.43, 0.40) for both  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$ , respectively, which is consistent with equivalent bonding of the F<sub>1</sub> bridging fluorine atom to both osmium atoms.

With the exception of  $F_2$ , the Os–O and Os–F bond orders of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  are comparable. The Os–F<sub>2</sub> bond order for  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  (0.40) is slightly lower when compared with that of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  (0.43), and is attributable to

coordination of  $F_2$  to the Xe atom of XeOF<sub>4</sub>. The Xe<sup>...</sup> $F_2$  bond order corresponding to this weak fluorine bridge interaction is only 0.04.

# 6.3. Conclusions.

The  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  adduct has been synthesized by reaction of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ with XeOF<sub>4</sub> solvent and is comprised of the doubly fluorine bridged (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub> dimer and two XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecules which interact with the terminal fluorine ligands of the dimer by means of fluorine bridges between the Xe(VI) and Os(VIII) atoms. The XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule retains its square pyramidal geometry and the primary coordination spheres of the osmium atoms are fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub> arrangements in which the oxygen ligands are cis to one another and the bridging fluorine atoms are trans to an oxygen ligand. The adduct is stable at room temperature for up to 5 h, slowly dissociating to  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  and XeOF<sub>4</sub>. The  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  dimer has been isolated by removal of XeOF<sub>4</sub> from  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$ under dynamic vacuum and represents a new low-temperature phase of OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>. Upon standing at 25  $^{\circ}$ C, the dimer undergoes an irreversible phase transition to the  $\alpha$ -phase of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ , a polymeric chain structure. The vibrational modes and the Raman spectrum of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  have been assigned in detail with the aid of quantum-chemical calculations of the presently unknown trinuclear  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sup>-</sup> anion. Because the negative formal charge was found to be essentially uniformly dispersed over all the light atoms, the vibrational modes of the central OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub> moiety of this anion proved to be a good model for the assignment of the vibrational modes of the  $OsO_3F_3$  moieties in the infinite chain polymer,  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ .

# **CHAPTER 7**

# SYNTHESES AND MULTI-NMR STUDY OF *fac*- AND *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) AND THE X-RAY CRYSTAL STRUCTURE (n = 2) AND RAMAN SPECTRUM (n = 0) OF *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)·*n*CH<sub>3</sub>CN

# 7.1 Introduction

The Lewis acid behavior of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  has been established by the syntheses of the Ag<sup>+,25</sup> Cs<sup>+,24, 25</sup> K<sup>+,24, 25</sup> Na<sup>+,24</sup> N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+,23</sup> NO<sup>+,23</sup> Rb<sup>+,24</sup> XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+,203</sup> and Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>+ 203</sup> salts of *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> from their respective fluorides. The facial geometry of OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> was determined from the vibrational spectra of the Cs<sup>+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>, Rb<sup>+</sup>, and Na<sup>+</sup> salts<sup>24</sup> and was confirmed by the X-ray crystal structure and Raman spectra of [N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>]<sup>23</sup> and [M][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] (M = XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup>, Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup>).<sup>203</sup>

Acetonitrile forms Lewis base adducts with high-oxidation state d<sup>0</sup> transition  $[CH_3CN \cdot MF_4(NCl)]$  (M = Mo,<sup>223</sup> W<sup>44</sup>), oxide fluorides fluorides metal  $MoOF_4(NCCH_3)$ ,<sup>224</sup> ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>),<sup>45</sup> TcO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>),<sup>47</sup> and WOF<sub>4</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>),<sup>225</sup> as well as with the sulfide fluoride, WSF<sub>4</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>).<sup>226</sup> The crystal structures of [CH<sub>3</sub>CN·MF<sub>4</sub>(NCl)] (M = Mo,<sup>223</sup> W<sup>44</sup>) and ReO<sub>3</sub>F(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·CH<sub>3</sub>CN<sup>45</sup> have CH<sub>3</sub>CN coordinated to the  $d^0$  metal through the nitrogen electron lone pair to give a linear M---N-C-C arrangements. Both CH<sub>3</sub>CN ligands of ReO<sub>3</sub>F(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·CH<sub>3</sub>CN<sup>45</sup> coordinate cis to one another and trans to two of the three facial oxygen atoms. The only examples of Os(VIII) coordinated to nitrogen are adducts of OsO<sub>4</sub>, e.g., OsO<sub>4</sub>(NH<sub>3</sub>),<sup>227</sup>  $OsO_4(NC_5H_5)$ ,<sup>228</sup>  $OsO_4(NC_7H_{13})$ ,<sup>229</sup> and  $OsO_4L$  (L =  $NC_9H_7$ ,  $N_2C_8H_6$ , and  $1,2-C_4H_4N_2$ ,<sup>228</sup> as well as nitrido-derivatives, e.g., [A][OsO\_3N] (A = (C\_6H\_5)\_4As^+,^{230})
$Cs^{+,231} K^{+,232,233}$  and  $H^{+,227}$ ,  $OsNCl_3(PPh_3)_2$ ,<sup>234</sup> and  $OsO_2(OH)N$ .<sup>235</sup> Prior to this work, there were no examples of nitrogen bases coordinated to Os(VIII) oxide fluorides known.

The current work describes the synthesis and characterization by multi-NMR and Raman spectroscopy, and single-crystal X-ray diffraction of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>). The *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) isomer in which the oxygen atoms are in a meridional arrangement and the CH<sub>3</sub>CN ligand is coordinated trans to fluorine has also been characterized in solution by multi-NMR spectroscopy along with *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>).

#### 7.2. Results and Discussion

# 7.2.1. Syntheses of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>), fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)·*n*CH<sub>3</sub>CN ( $n \ge 2$ ), and *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>).

Osmium trioxide difluoride,  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ , dissolves in CH<sub>3</sub>CN at -40 °C according to eq 7.1 to give an orange-brown solution. Removal of excess CH<sub>3</sub>CN under dynamic

$$OsO_{3}F_{2} + CH_{3}CN \xrightarrow{CH_{3}CN} fac-OsO_{3}F_{2}(NCCH_{3})$$
(7.1)

vacuum at -40 °C initially yielded yellow-brown *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)·*n*CH<sub>3</sub>CN, which was confirmed by X-ray crystallography and Raman spectroscopy (Table E1). Acetonitrile in the crystal lattice was removed by continued pumping for 3 h at -40 °C to yield yellow-brown *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (see Section 7.2.3) which did not dissociate after a further 3 h of pumping at -40 °C. The unsolvated complex is stable at room temperature for at least several days and is very soluble in CH<sub>3</sub>CN at -40 °C and slightly soluble in SO<sub>2</sub>ClF at -40 and -80 °C. The solution NMR spectra (see Section 7.2.4) revealed the presence of *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) as the major product, but also the presence of *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>). Removal of excess SO<sub>2</sub>ClF under dynamic vacuum at -80 °C yielded only *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (Table E1).

# 7.2.2. X-ray Crystal Structure of *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)·2CH<sub>3</sub>CN.

Details of the data collection parameters and other crystallographic information are provided in Table 7.1 Bond lengths and bond angles are listed in Table 7.2.

The crystal structure (Figure 7.1a) is comprised of monomeric  $OsO_3F_2$  coordinated to a CH<sub>3</sub>CN molecule through the nitrogen atom to give pseudo-octahedral coordination at osmium. In addition, there are two uncoordinated, symmetry-related CH<sub>3</sub>CN molecules in the asymmetric unit. The  $OsO_3F_2(NCCH_3)$  adduct possesses a *fac*-trioxo arrangement about osmium in which the nitrogen atom of CH<sub>3</sub>CN is coordinated trans to an oxygen atom. Preference for the *fac*-trioxo arrangement has been well documented and is consistent with other d<sup>0</sup> transition metal trioxo species such as the related Os(VIII) and Re(VII) species,  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ ,<sup>11</sup> (OsO\_3F\_2)·2XeOF<sub>4</sub>,<sup>18</sup> OsO\_3F\_3<sup>-,23, 203</sup> [XeF<sub>5</sub>][ $\mu$ -F(OsO\_3F\_2)\_2],<sup>203</sup> [OsO\_3F][HF][SbF<sub>6</sub>],<sup>21</sup> ReO<sub>3</sub>F,<sup>49</sup> and ReO<sub>3</sub>F(CH<sub>3</sub>CN)<sub>2</sub>·CH<sub>3</sub>CN,<sup>45</sup> and has been previously discussed.<sup>23</sup>

The crystal lattice consists of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) and CH<sub>3</sub>CN molecules stacked along the *b*- and *c*-axes which alternate along the *a*-axis (Figure E1). In the *a*,*b*-plane, the adduct molecule reverses orientation between successive layers, with the free CH<sub>3</sub>CN molecules alternating their orientations in a similar manner. The resulting intermolecular contacts are long and are near the sums of the van der Waals radii of the contacting atoms.<sup>165, 236</sup>

Table 7.1.	Summary	of	Crystal	Data	and	Refinement	Results	for		
	fac-OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> (NCCH <sub>3</sub> )·2CH <sub>3</sub> CN									

chem formula	$C_6F_2H_9N_3O_3O_8$
space group	<i>Pnma</i> (No. 62)
a (Å)	7.7995(2)
<i>b</i> (Å)	14.7327(4)
<i>c</i> (Å)	9.5210(2)
$V(Å^3)$	1095.2(1)
molecules/unit cell	4
mol wt (g $mol^{-1}$ )	1597.45
calcd density (g cm <sup>-3</sup> )	2.425
<i>T</i> (°C)	-173
$\mu (\mathrm{mm}^{-1})$	11.68
$R_{I}^{a}$	0.0178
$wR_2^{b}$	0.0413

<sup>*a*</sup>  $R_1$  is defined as  $\Sigma ||F_0| - |F_c|| / \Sigma |F_0|$  for  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ . <sup>*b*</sup>  $wR_2$  is defined as  $\{\Sigma[w(F_0^2 - F_c^2)^2] / \Sigma w(F_0^2)^2\}^{\frac{1}{2}}$  for  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ .

exptl <sup>a</sup>		calcd								
fac-OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> (NCCH <sub>3</sub>	)·2CH₃CN		$\frac{fac-OsO_3F_2(NCCH_3)}{(C_1)}$		$\frac{mer-OsO_3F_2(NCCH_3)}{(C_1)}$		CH <sub>3</sub> CN (C <sub>3v</sub> )			
			$SVWN^b$	B3LYP <sup>c</sup>	$SVWN^b$	B3LYP <sup>c</sup>	SVWN <sup>b</sup>	$B3LYP^{d}$		
			bond l	engths (Å)						
Os-O(1)	1.704(2)	$Os-O_1$	1.727	1.701	1.760	1.736				
		$Os-O_2$	1.727	1.701	1.728	1.705				
Os–O(2)	1.696(2)	Os–O <sub>3</sub>	1.712	1.687	1.760	1.736				
Os-F(1)	1.940(1)	Os-F <sub>1</sub>	1.922	1.922	1.863	1.857				
		Os-F <sub>2</sub>	1.922	1.922	1.968	1.972				
OsN(1)	2.206(3)	OsN	2.260	2.386	2.114	2.175				
N(1)C(1)	1.140(5)	N-C <sub>1</sub>	1.169	1.142	1.167	1.140	1.181	1.149		
C(1)–C(2)	1.437(5)	$C_1 - C_2$	1.443	1.449	1.440	1.447	1.451	1.455		
С(2)–Н	0.980	C <sub>2</sub> –H	1.108	1.089	1.108	1.089	1.108	1.089		
N(2)-C(3)	1.140(4)									
C(3)–C(4)	1.456(4)									
C(4)–H	0.94(4)									
			bond a	ngles (deg)						
O(1)-Os-O(1A)	101.5(1)	O <sub>1</sub> -Os-O <sub>2</sub>	100.9	100.7	101.5	101.4				
O(1)–Os–O(2)	102.60(8)	$O_1 - O_3 - O_3$	103.4	103.5	101.5	100.4				
O(1)–Os–F(1)	87.79(8)	$O_1 - Os - F_1$	87.6	87.3	88.5	90.5				
O(1)–Os–F(1A)	159.89(8)	$O_1$ – $Os$ – $F_2$	156.1	155.6	79.3	79.5				
O(1)–OsN(1)	84.08(7)	$O_1$ – $Os$ $N_1$	82.9	82.0	91.0	88.9				

**Table 7.2.** Experimental Geometrical Parameters for *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)·2CH<sub>3</sub>CN and Calculated Geometrical Parameters for *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>), *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>), and CH<sub>3</sub>CN

O(1A)–Os–O(2)	102.60(8)	$O_2 - O_3 - O_3$	103.4	103.5	156.9	158.7		
O(1A)–Os–F(1)	159.89(8)	$O_2 - Os - F_1$	156.1	155.6	88.5	90.5		
O(1A)–Os–F(1A)	87.79(8)	$O_2 - Os - F_2$	87.6	87.3	79.3	79.5		
O(1A)–OsN(1)	84.08(7)	$O_2$ -Os $N_1$	82.9	82.0	91.0	88.9		
O(2)–Os–F(1)	92.52(8)	$O_3$ -Os- $F_1$	96.2	96.8	100.1	100.0		
O(2)–Os–F(1A)	92.52(8)	O <sub>3</sub> -Os-F <sub>2</sub>	96.2	96.8	155.8	158.4		
O(2)–OsN(1)	169.2(1)	O <sub>3</sub> -OsN <sub>1</sub>	169.9	171.2	82.4	83.1		
F(1)–Os–F(1A)	78.27(9)	$F_1$ -Os- $F_2$	76.7	76.9	104.1	101.5		
F(1)–OsN(1)	79.16(7)	$F_1$ -Os $N_1$	75.9	76.3	177.5	176.9		
F(1A)-OsN(1)	79.16(7)	$F_2$ -Os $N_1$	75.9	76.3	73.4	75.4		
OsN(1)C(1)	178.7(2)	$Os$ $N_1$ - $C_1$	170.5	173.7	173.6	174.3		
N(1)-C(1)-C(2)	178.6(3)	$N_1 - C_1 - C_2$	179.3	179.7	179.1	179.5		
C(1)-C(2)-H	109.5	$C_1$ - $C_2$ - $H$	110.0	110.3	110.0	109.3		
Н–С(2)–Н	109.5	$H-C_2-H$	108.5	109.0	108.5	109.4		
N(2)-C(3)-C(4)	178.6(3)						180	180
C(3)–C(4)–H(4A)	111(3)						110.8	110.2
C(3)-C(4)-H(4B)	109(2)						108.1	108.8
C(3)–C(4)–H(4C)	109(2)							
H(4A)-C(4)-H(4B)	109(3)							
H(4A)-C(4)-H(4C)	115(3)							

H(4B)-C(4)-H(4C) 104(3)

<sup>*a*</sup> For the atom labeling scheme, see Figure 7.1a. <sup>*b*</sup> The SDDall basis set, augmented for F and O with two d-type polarization functions by Huzinaga, was used.<sup>151 c</sup> The Stuttgart basis set for Os augmented with one f-type polarization functional was used;<sup>152</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ basis sets were used for all other atoms. <sup>*d*</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ basis set was used.



Figure 7.1. (a) Structural unit in the X-ray crystal structure of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)·2CH<sub>3</sub>CN with thermal ellipsoids drawn at the 70% probability level. (b) The octahedron formed by the light atoms of the OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>N-unit.

The C–N (1.140(5) Å) and C–C (1.437(5) Å) bond lengths of the adducted CH<sub>3</sub>CN molecule are comparable to those of the co-crystallized CH<sub>3</sub>CN solvent molecules (1.140(4) and 1.450(4) Å, respectively) and both bond lengths are similar to those of ReO<sub>3</sub>F(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (C–C 1.451(7), C–N 1.136(7) Å).<sup>45</sup> The C–N triple bond length is in good agreement with the previously calculated additive covalent radii for C (0.60 Å) and N (0.54 Å).<sup>237</sup>

The Os---N bond length (2.206(3) Å) is shorter than the metal-nitrogen bond lengths of the d<sup>0</sup> rhenium and tungsten adducts, ReO<sub>3</sub>F(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·CH<sub>3</sub>CN (2.294(4) Å),<sup>45</sup> WF<sub>6</sub>(NC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>F) (2.294(9) Å),<sup>238</sup> WOF<sub>4</sub>(NC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>F) (2.39(1) Å),<sup>238</sup> and WOF<sub>4</sub>(NC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>) (2.246(8) Å).<sup>239</sup> The nitrogen atom is trans to an oxygen atom which is consistent with the latter adducts and fluorine-bridged oxide fluoride compounds where the weakly bonded an oxygen atom; e.g.,  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ ,<sup>11</sup> bridging fluorine atom is trans to  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$ , <sup>18</sup>  $\mu$ -F $(OsO_3F_2)_2^{-,203}$  F $(cis-OsO_2F_3)_2^{+,22}$  polymeric MO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>·SbF<sub>5</sub> (M = Tc),<sup>46</sup>  $\mu$ -F(TcOF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>,<sup>158</sup>  $\mu$ -F(ReOF<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>,<sup>157</sup>  $\mu$ -F(*cis*-ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>,<sup>45</sup> Re<sub>3</sub>O<sub>6</sub>F<sub>10</sub><sup>-,47</sup>,<sup>45</sup> Re.  $(WOF_4)_{41}^{171}$  and  $(MoOF_4)_{\infty}^{220}$  The *trans*-influence of oxygen results in bonding of the nitrogen and fluorine atoms trans to oxygen atoms because the CH<sub>3</sub>CN and fluorine  $\sigma$ -donor ligands do not compete as effectively as the  $\pi$ -donor oxygen ligands for the osmium  $d_{t_{2\sigma}}$  orbitals.<sup>47</sup>

All Os–O bonds are *cis* to one another and the bond lengths are equal to within  $\pm 3\sigma$  (1.704(2) and 1.696(2) Å) and are in the same range as those of other neutral *fac*-trioxo osmium(VIII) compounds such as  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  (1.688(1), 1.678(1), and 1.727(1) Å),<sup>11</sup> and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$ ·2XeOF<sub>4</sub> (1.703(6), 1.685(6) and 1.685(6) Å).<sup>18</sup> Although the Os–N

bond is longer than the Os–F bonds (vide infra), the Os–O(2) bond does not show significant shortening, indicating that, like fluorine, CH<sub>3</sub>CN does not compete as effectively with oxygen as a donor to osmium(VIII). The Os–F(1,1A) bonds (1.940(1) Å) are longer than the terminal Os–F bond in  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  (1.879(1) Å),<sup>11</sup> but are similar to those of the  $OsO_3F_3^-$  anion (1.97(1)–1.91(1) Å),<sup>23</sup> suggesting that the adducted CH<sub>3</sub>CN molecule donates sufficient electron density to the osmium atom to significantly weaken the Os–F bonds (see Section 7.2.6).

The ligand atoms of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) form a distorted octahedral coordination sphere around osmium. Although there is significant variation in the bond lengths around the osmium atom, the octahedron formed by the light atoms is relatively undistorted (Figure 7.1b), as shown by the range of nearest neighbor-ligand atom contacts.<sup>240</sup> The F(1), F(1A), O(1), and O(1A) [F(1), N(1), O(1A), and O(2)] {F(1A), N(1), O(1), and O(2) atoms are coplanar to within  $\pm 0.001$  [0.03] {0.03} Å, and the osmium atom lies  $0.255 [0.256] \{0.159\}$  Å out of this plane, towards O(2) [O(1)]  $\{O(1A)\}$ . All three planes are orthogonal to one another to within  $\pm 0.3^{\circ}$ . The Os–O(2) and Os---N(1) bonds bend away from the Os–O(1,1A) bonds towards the Os–F(1,1A) bonds at an angle of  $169.2(1)^{\circ}$ . The displacement of the osmium atom towards the fac-OsO<sub>3</sub> group is similar to the metal atom displacements observed in  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ ,<sup>11</sup>  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$ ,<sup>18</sup>  $\operatorname{ReCl_3O_3^{2-,222}}$  OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-,23, 203</sup> and  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-203</sup> and to those in the *cis*-dioxo-metal oxide fluoride species cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>,<sup>20</sup> F(cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>+,22</sup> OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>+,139</sup> cis-ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>-,45</sup> and cis-TcO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>-,47</sup> where the central metal atom is symmetrically displaced along the line bisecting the O–M–O angle toward the oxygen ligands of the *cis*-MO<sub>2</sub> group.

#### 7.2.3. Raman Spectroscopy.

The low-temperature Raman spectrum of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (Figure 7.2) is very similar to that of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) $\cdot n$ CH<sub>3</sub>CN, where  $n \ge 2$  (Figure E2), with the exception of the vibrational bands of uncoordinated CH<sub>3</sub>CN. With few exceptions, the bands in both spectra are split into two components. The Raman spectrum of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) isolated from SO<sub>2</sub>ClF showed a small amount of free CH<sub>3</sub>CN as an impurity (Table E1). The assigned Raman spectrum is that of the unsolvated product, fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>), whereas the crystal structure is that of the solvated product, fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)·2CH<sub>3</sub>CN. Consequently, a factor-group analysis could not be carried out to unambiguously confirm that the additional splittings in the Raman spectra of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) and fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)·nCH<sub>3</sub>CN arise from vibrational coupling within the unit cell. The factor-group analysis for fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)·2CH<sub>3</sub>CN (Table E2), however, predicts that the vibrational bands are split into two components, suggesting that the unit cells of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>), fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)·nCH<sub>3</sub>CN, and fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)·2CH<sub>3</sub>CN are closely related, or identical for the solvated adducts, i.e., n = 2.

The observed and calculated frequencies of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) at both the SVWN and B3LYP levels of theory and their assignments are listed in Table 7.3. The spectral assignments were made by comparison with the calculated frequencies and Raman intensities (Table 7.3) of the energy-minimized geometries of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) and CH<sub>3</sub>CN (see Section 7.2.6). The calculated vibrational frequencies obtained at the SVWN and B3LYP levels are in good agreement. The mode



Figure 7.2. Raman spectrum of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) recorded at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation; the symbols denote FEP sample tube lines (\*), a band that overlaps with an FEP sample tube line (‡), and an instrumental artifact (†).

$exptl^a$				с	assignts $(C_1)^{\checkmark}$			
fac-OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> (NCCH <sub>3</sub> )	CH <sub>3</sub> CN		$fac-OsO_3F_2(NCCH_3)$			CH	3CN	
			SVWN <sup>b,c</sup>	B3LYP <sup>c,d</sup>	_	SVWN <sup>b,c</sup>	B3LYP <sup>c,e</sup>	
3014(8), 2990(2)	2999(54)	_	3072(81)[3] 3071(74)[3]	3125(67)[<1] 3125(64)[1]	-	3065(64)[<1]	3115(58)[1]	ν <sub>as</sub> (CH <sub>3</sub> )
2944(43), 2929(24) 2697(1)€	2938(97)		2976(230)[4]	3052(239)[<1]		2972(144)[1]	3048(195)[3]	v <sub>s</sub> (CH <sub>3</sub> )
2332(36) 2296(3) <sup>t</sup>	2248(100)		2322(245)[67]	2422(184)[78]		2247(50)[8]	2363(81)[11]	v(CN)
1410(6)	1457(11) 1454(7)		1425(20)[24]	1467(6)[12]	]	1420(21)[20]	1475(5)[10]	s (CII )
1385(24)	1425(3) 1420(4)		1425(19)[24]	1467(6)[12]	ſ	1439(21)[20]	1475(5)[10]	O <sub>as</sub> (CII <sub>3</sub> )
1356(14)	1376(15) 1371(3)	}	1394(34)[27]	1411(12)[2]		1397(18)[22]	1413(6)[2]	$\delta_{s}(CH_{3})$
1041(1), 1029(1)	1042(1)		1043(<1)[10] 1040(<0.1)[10]	1063(<1)[4] 1061(<1)[4]	}	1048(<1)[6]	1063(<1)[2]	$\rho_r(CH_3)$
956(6), 952(sh) 945(sh), 942(36) 934(33), 924(34) 918(100), 910(30) 598(2) 529(7)	922(20) 400(3)		988(5)[16] 951(37)[64] 949(14)[117] 983(47)[117] 624(10)[98] 564(7)[52] 410(2)[<1]	1020(60)[95] 989(23)[125] 975(14)[150] 948(8)[9] 609(8)[115] 547(4)[51] 421(<1)[1]		948(5)[1]	928(5)[1]	$ \begin{array}{l} \nu(CC)^{i} \\ \nu(OsO_{1}) + \nu(OsO_{2}) \\ \nu(OsO_{1}) - \nu(OsO_{2}) \\ \nu(OsO_{3})^{j} \\ \nu(OsF_{1}) + \nu(OsF_{2}) \\ \nu(OsF_{1}) - \nu(OsF_{2}) \\ \delta(NCC)_{oop} \end{array} $
415(1)	395(12) 392(9) 386(5)	}	408(2)[<1]	422(1)[3]		375(4)[<1]	382(1)[1]	ð(NCC) <sub>ip</sub>
396(sh), 392(19) 388(50) <sup>k</sup> 378(40), 374(sh) 326(2) 309(4) 277(sh)			387(4)[2] 369(5)[13] 361(6)[5] 319(<1)[10] 281(2)[13] 278(2)[17]	417(3)[2] 392(1)[12] 386(6)[6] 338(<1)[10] 289(2)[17] 291(2)[20]				$\begin{split} &\delta(O_1OSO_2) + \delta(F_1OSF_2) \\ &\delta(OSO_1O_2O_3) \\ &\rho_t(O_1OSO_2) + \delta(O_2OSO_3) \\ &\delta(O_1OSO_2) - \delta(F_1OSF_2) + \delta(NCC)_{ip\ small} \\ &\delta(OSF_1F_2O_3) \\ &\rho_r(O_1OSO_2) - \rho_r(F_1OSF_2) + \delta(NCC)_{oop} \end{split}$

**Table 7.3.** Calculated and Experimental Raman Frequencies, Intensities, and Assignments for *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)

232(1), 228(1)		217(<1)[<1]	211(<1)[<1]	$\delta(\text{OsNC})_{ip}$
216(1)		214(<1)[<1]	209(<1)[1]	$\delta(OsNC)_{oop}$
204(2)		203(1)[16]	149(<1)[17]	v(OsN)
143(2)		174(<1)[<0.1]	174(<1)[<0.1]	$\rho_t(F_1OsF_2) - \rho_t(O_2OsO_1)$
		49(2)[5]	50(1)[4]	$\rho_{w}(NCC)_{ip}$
121(7)		49(2)[4]	50(2)[4]	$\rho_{w}(NCC)_{oop}$
n.o.		14(<0.1)[<0.1]	5(<0.1)[<0.1]	$\rho_t(CH_3)$
230(1)	116(18)	)		
119(sh)	108(13)	ļ		lattice modes
114(11)	102(15)	1		inclus
106(8)	96(32)	J		

<sup>*a*</sup> The Raman spectrum was recorded on a microcrystalline solid in a FEP sample tube at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation. Raman intensities are given in parentheses and are relative intensities with the most intense band given as 100. The abbreviation (sh) denotes a shoulder. <sup>*b*</sup> SVWN/SDDall. <sup>*c*</sup> Values in parentheses denote calculated Raman intensities (Å<sup>4</sup> u<sup>-1</sup>) and values in square brackets denote calculated infrared intensities (km mol<sup>-1</sup>). <sup>*d*</sup> B3LYP/Stutt-f (Os) aug-cc-pVTZ (H, C, N, F). <sup>*e*</sup> B3LYP/aug-cc-pVTZ (H,C,N). <sup>*f*</sup> Assignments are based on the B3LYP calculated geometry. The atom labeling scheme refers to Figure 7.6a for *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) and the plane of symmetry is defined by the O<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>3</sub>, Os, F<sub>1</sub>, and N atoms. The abbreviations denote stretch (v), bend ( $\delta$ ), torsion ( $\rho_t$ ), wag ( $\rho_w$ ), rock ( $\rho_r$ ), out-of-plane (oop) and in-plane (ip). <sup>*g*</sup> Overtone band corresponding to 2 x 1356 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>*h*</sup> Combination band corresponding to 1356 + 956 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>*i*</sup> At the SVWN level, the mode description is v(C<sub>1</sub>C<sub>2</sub>) – v(OsO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>small</sub>. <sup>*j*</sup> At the SVWN level, the mode description is v(OsO<sub>3</sub>) + v(C<sub>1</sub>C<sub>2</sub>)<sub>small</sub>. <sup>*k*</sup> The band overlaps with a FEP sample tube band. descriptions are based on the atomic displacements obtained for the optimized B3LYP geometry.

The bands at 924, 934 and at 942, 945  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  are assigned to the out-of-phase  $v(OsO_1) - v(OsO_2)$  and the in-phase  $v(OsO_1) + v(OsO_2)$  stretching modes. The modes are shifted to lower frequency when compared with the corresponding modes in  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ (945, 949, 952, 957 cm<sup>-1</sup>),<sup>18</sup> in accordance with donation of electron density from the nitrogen atom to the osmium atom which weakens the Os-O bonds. The Os-O stretching modes occur to higher frequency than those of  $OsO_3F_3^-$  (908, 912, 920 cm<sup>-1</sup>),<sup>23</sup> consistent with the lower base strength of CH<sub>3</sub>CN relative to that of the fluoride ion. Based on the vibrational displacements obtained at the B3LYP level, the relatively strong bands at 910 and 918 cm<sup>-1</sup> are assigned to the  $v(OsO_3)$  stretching mode, however, at the SVWN level, the  $v(OsO_3)$  stretch weakly couples in an in-phase manner with  $v(C_1C_2)$  of the CH<sub>3</sub>CN ligand bonded trans to O<sub>3</sub>. The in-phase  $v(OsF_1) + v(OsF_2)$  (598 cm<sup>-1</sup>) stretching mode occurs to higher frequency than its out-of-phase counterpart,  $v(OsF_1) - v(OsF_2)$ (529 cm<sup>-1</sup>), in agreement with the calculated values (609 and 547 [B3LYP] cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively). The in-phase stretch is very similar to the in-phase stretch of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  $(596 \text{ cm}^{-1})^{18}$  and is shifted to higher frequency than in  $OsO_3F_3^-$  (573 cm $^{-1}$ ),<sup>23</sup> consistent with a neutral species. The out-of-phase stretching mode is intermediate within the span of asymmetric Os–F stretching modes observed for  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  (610 cm<sup>-1</sup>)<sup>18</sup> and  $OsO_3F_3^{-1}$ (504 cm<sup>-1</sup>).<sup>23</sup> Its intermediacy is consistent with that observed for the Os–O stretching modes (vide supra). The Os---N stretching band at 204 cm<sup>-1</sup> is weak and intermediate with respect to the M---N stretching frequencies of other CH<sub>3</sub>CN adducts such as  $TcO_2F_3(NCCH_3)$  (217 cm<sup>-1</sup>),<sup>47</sup> [ReO\_2F\_2(CH\_3CN)\_2][SbF\_6] (264 cm<sup>-1</sup>),<sup>46</sup> and ReO\_2F\_3(NCCH\_3) (252 cm<sup>-1</sup>).<sup>45</sup>

The v(CN) stretching band of the coordinated CH<sub>3</sub>CN molecule (2332 cm<sup>-1</sup>) occurs at significantly higher frequency than that of free CH<sub>3</sub>CN (2248 cm<sup>-1</sup>). The highfrequency shift is consistent with donation of electron density by the nitrogen ligand atom to osmium, which strengthens the C-N bond as a result of nitrogen rehybridization to give more s character to the CN  $\sigma$ -bond.<sup>241</sup> Thus, backbonding from Os(VIII) into the  $\pi^*$ orbitals of the CN group is not important because it would lead to a decrease in  $\Delta v(CN)$ . The calculated complexation shifts at the SVWN ( $\Delta v(CN)$ , 75 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and B3LYP  $(\Delta v(CN), 59 \text{ cm}^{-1})$  levels are in good agreement with the experimental complexation shift ( $\Delta v(CN)$ , 84 cm<sup>-1</sup>). The bands at 952 and 956 cm<sup>-1</sup> are assigned to v(CC) of coordinated CH<sub>3</sub>CN at the B3LYP level, which weakly in-phase and out-of-phase couple with  $v(OsO_3)$  at the SVWN level (vide supra). The v(CC) band shifts to higher frequency at the SVWN and B3LYP levels upon coordination (exptl.,  $\Delta v(CC)$ , 34 cm<sup>-1</sup>; calcd.,  $\Delta v(CC)$ , 40 and 19 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively), indicating a strengthened C–C bond. The experimental complexation shifts for v(CN) and v(CC) and their trends are similar to those of TcO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) ( $\Delta v$ (CN), 49;  $\Delta v$ (CC), 18 cm<sup>-1</sup>)<sup>47</sup> and ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)  $(\Delta v(CN), 75; \Delta v(CC), 22 \text{ cm}^{-1})$ ,<sup>45</sup> suggesting similar Lewis acid strengths for monomeric  $OsO_3F_2$ ,  $TcO_2F_3$ , and  $ReO_2F_3$ . The C-H bonds are little affected by coordination to osmium, with the experimental and calculated CH<sub>3</sub> group frequencies showing no significant complexation shifts.

There are four modes associated with the in-plane and out-of-plane  $\delta$ (NCC) bending modes (relative to the [O2, O3, Os, F1, N]-plane). The  $\delta$ (NCC)<sub>ip</sub> bend is observed at 415 cm<sup>-1</sup>, while the  $\delta$ (NCC)<sub>oop</sub> bend is predicted to occur at higher frequency, but could not be observed. The remaining out-of-plane and in-plane bending modes are both weakly coupled to O–Os–O and F–Os–F bends to give bands at 277 and 326 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. The in-plane (232 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and out-of-plane (216 cm<sup>-1</sup>)  $\delta$ (Os---NC) bending modes are to higher frequency than the Re---NC bending modes in ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (174 and 154 cm<sup>-1</sup>).<sup>45</sup>

# 7.2.4. NMR Spectroscopy.

Table 7.4 lists the <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C, <sup>15</sup>N, and <sup>19</sup>F NMR parameters for fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(<sup>14</sup>NCCH<sub>3</sub>) in CH<sub>3</sub>CN solvent (-40 °C), *fac*- and *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(<sup>14</sup>NCCH<sub>3</sub>) in SO<sub>2</sub>ClF solvent (-40 and -80 °C) and *fac*- and *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(<sup>15</sup>NCCH<sub>3</sub>) in SO<sub>2</sub>ClF solvent (-84 °C).

# 7.2.4.1. fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>).

The <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(<sup>14</sup>NCCH<sub>3</sub>) in CH<sub>3</sub>CN solvent at -40 °C consists of a singlet at -99.6 ppm, which is less shielded than the <sup>19</sup>F environment of OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> in CH<sub>3</sub>CN solvent (-116.8 ppm)<sup>23</sup> and considerably more shielded than both <sup>19</sup>F environments of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> (15.8 and 63.3 ppm) in anhydrous HF solvent.<sup>20</sup> This is consistent with a decrease in the number of strongly electron withdrawing fluorine ligands and the addition of the electron donating nitrogen and oxygen ligands. The <sup>19</sup>F chemical shift is intermediate with respect to those of WOF<sub>4</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (-68.5 ppm)<sup>225</sup> and MoOF<sub>4</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (-147.4 ppm)<sup>224</sup> recorded at -30 °C in CH<sub>3</sub>CN. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum

			chemical shifts, ppm			coupling constants, Hz				
species	solvent	T (°C)	$\delta(^{19}F)^a$	δ( <sup>15</sup> N)	$\delta(^{13}C)^b$	_δ( <sup>1</sup> H)_	$^{2}J(^{19}F_{1}-^{19}F_{2})^{a}$	$^{1}J(^{15}N-^{19}F_{1})^{a}$	<sup>1</sup> J( <sup>13</sup> C- <sup>1</sup> H)	$^{1}J(^{19}\text{F}-^{187}\text{Os})^{c}$
fac-OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> ( <sup>14</sup> NCCH <sub>3</sub> )	CH₃CN	40	-99.6 <sup>d</sup>			2.55 <sup>e</sup>			126.1	
fac-OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> ( <sup>14</sup> NCCH <sub>3</sub> )	SO2CIF	-40	-93.6			2.66			137.9	
fac-OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> ( <sup>14</sup> NCCH <sub>3</sub> )	SO2CIF	-80	-96.1			1.76			139.5	41.2
fac-OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> ( <sup>15</sup> NCCH <sub>3</sub> ) <sup>s</sup>	SO2ClF	-84	-96.8	-197.3	2.24 (CH <sub>3</sub> )	2.02		21.4	139.8	
mer-OsO <sub>3</sub> $F_2$ ( <sup>14</sup> NCCH <sub>3</sub> )	SO2ClF	-40	-44.4 F <sub>2</sub> -13.1 F <sub>1</sub>			3.12	134.3		142.8	
$mer-OsO_3F_2(^{14}NCCH_3)$	SO2CIF	<b>-8</b> 0	-46.1 F <sub>2</sub> -15.4 F <sub>1</sub>			2.71	135.0		145.3	
mer-OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> ( <sup>15</sup> NCCH <sub>3</sub> ) <sup>s</sup>	SO2CIF	-84	-48.0 F <sub>2</sub> -17.9 F <sub>1</sub>	-258.6	3.15 (CH <sub>3</sub> )	3.04	134.3	18.3	140.4	

# **Table 7.4.** NMR Chemical Shifts and Spin-Spin Coupling Constants for *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(<sup>14/15</sup>NCCH<sub>3</sub>) and *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(<sup>14/15</sup>NCCH<sub>3</sub>)

<sup>*a*</sup> The equatorial and axial fluorine atoms are denoted by F<sub>1</sub> and F<sub>2</sub>, respectively. <sup>*b*</sup> The <sup>13</sup>C resonances of *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(<sup>14</sup>NCCH<sub>3</sub>) and *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(<sup>14</sup>NCCH<sub>3</sub>) could not be observed. <sup>*c*</sup> The <sup>1</sup>J(<sup>19</sup>F-<sup>187</sup>Os) coupling constant could only be observed for *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(<sup>14</sup>NCCH<sub>3</sub>) in SO<sub>2</sub>ClF solvent (-80 °C). <sup>*d*</sup> Weak doublet (46.9 ppm) and quintet (95.2 ppm) (<sup>2</sup>J(<sup>19</sup>F-<sup>19</sup>F) = 92 Hz) resonances assigned to OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> were observed in the <sup>19</sup>F spectrum. <sup>*e*</sup> Acetonitrile solvent was observed in the <sup>1</sup>H spectrum at 2.01 ppm, <sup>1</sup>J(<sup>1</sup>H-<sup>13</sup>C) = 137 Hz]. <sup>*f*</sup> Resonances assigned to SO<sub>2</sub>ClF solvent, SO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>2</sub> solvent impurity (parentheses), and weak unassigned resonances (braces) were observed in the <sup>19</sup>F spectra [-40 °C: 98.9 (32.7) {-70.5, -72.0, -76.6}; -80 °C: 98.5 (32.7) {-70.7, -72.2, -76.7}; -84 °C: 98.7 (32.7) {69.0, -72.1, -73.1, -76.6} ppm]. Resonances assigned to HF impurity (a doublet) and free CH<sub>3</sub>CN (parentheses) were observed in the <sup>1</sup>H spectra [-40 °C: 6.16 ppm, <sup>1</sup>J(<sup>1</sup>H-<sup>13</sup>C) = 47 Hz (1.51 ppm, <sup>1</sup>J(<sup>1</sup>H-<sup>13</sup>C) = 136 Hz)]. <sup>*g*</sup> Unreacted CH<sub>3</sub>C<sup>15</sup>N was also observed in the <sup>13</sup>C {<sup>1</sup>H} (117.50 [CN] and 0.86 [CH<sub>3</sub>] ppm) and <sup>15</sup>N (-138.3 ppm) spectra.

at -40 °C is a singlet corresponding to complexed CH<sub>3</sub>CN at 2.55 ppm ( ${}^{1}J({}^{1}H-{}^{13}C) =$  126.1 Hz) which is shifted to higher frequency than the  ${}^{1}H$  resonance of CH<sub>3</sub>CN solvent (2.06 ppm,  ${}^{1}J({}^{1}H-{}^{13}C) =$  136.1 Hz), consistent with Lewis acid-base adduct formation. The complexation shift (0.49 ppm) is comparable to that of TcO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) in CH<sub>3</sub>CN solvent (0.37 ppm).<sup>47</sup>

The <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(<sup>14</sup>NCCH<sub>3</sub>) in SO<sub>2</sub>ClF solvent at -80 (-40) °C is a singlet at -97.6 (-93.6) ppm with <sup>187</sup>Os ( $I = \frac{1}{2}$ ; natural abundance, 1.64%) satellites corresponding to  ${}^{1}J({}^{187}\text{Os}-{}^{19}\text{F}) = 41.2$  Hz. The  ${}^{187}\text{Os}-{}^{19}\text{F}$  coupling constant is greater than that observed for the  $OsO_3F_3^-$  anion (32 Hz),<sup>23</sup> and is consistent with greater Os-F bond covalency in the neutral adduct, and is similar to one of the two  ${}^{1}J({}^{187}\text{Os-}{}^{19}\text{F})$ couplings observed for cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> (35.1 and 59.4 Hz).<sup>20</sup> In the latter case, the smaller coupling constant was tentatively assigned to  ${}^{1}J({}^{187}\text{Os}{}^{-19}\text{F}_{a})$  where the fluorine ligands are trans to one another, and the larger coupling was assigned to  ${}^{1}J({}^{187}\text{Os}{}^{-19}\text{F}_{e})$ , where the fluorine ligands are trans to oxygen ligands. The F atoms are trans to O atoms for both  $OsO_3F_3^-$  and  $OsO_3F_2(NCCH_3)$ , suggesting that the  ${}^1J({}^{187}Os{}^{-19}F)$  coupling and  ${}^{19}F$ chemical shift assignments for *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> should be interchanged. The low-frequency <sup>19</sup>F resonance of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> (15.8 ppm; <sup>1</sup>J(<sup>187</sup>Os-<sup>19</sup>F), 35.1 Hz) should be re-assigned to the two equatorial fluorine ligands trans to oxygen and the high-frequency <sup>19</sup>F resonance (63.3 ppm  ${}^{1}J({}^{187}Os - {}^{19}F)$ , 59.4 Hz) should be re-assigned to the mutually trans axial fluorine ligands. The re-assignment is now consistent with the range of  ${}^{1}J({}^{187}\text{Os}-{}^{19}\text{F})$ coupling constants for fluorine trans to oxygen in other Os(VIII) oxide fluorides; namely, cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>, fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>), and fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>. Smaller  ${}^{1}J(M - {}^{19}F)$  coupling constants for fluorine trans to oxygen relative to those for fluorine trans to fluorine have also been reported for WO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>2-199</sup> and TcO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>-.47</sup> A <sup>15</sup>N-enriched sample of *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(<sup>15</sup>NCCH<sub>3</sub>) in SO<sub>2</sub>ClF solvent resulted in splitting of the *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(<sup>15</sup>NCCH<sub>3</sub>) <sup>19</sup>F resonance at –96.8 ppm into a doublet ( ${}^{2}J({}^{19}F-{}^{15}N)$ , 21.4 Hz, Figure 7.3), confirming that a single CH<sub>3</sub>CN molecule is coordinated to osmium and that both fluorine ligands are chemically equivalent.

The <sup>15</sup>N NMR resonance of *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(<sup>15</sup>NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (Figure 7.4) at –197.3 ppm is a triplet ( ${}^{2}J({}^{15}N-{}^{19}F) = 21.4$  Hz) which is consistent with splitting of the <sup>15</sup>N resonance by coupling to two chemically equivalent fluorine nuclei. The <sup>15</sup>N resonance of the complexed CH<sub>3</sub>C<sup>15</sup>N ligand is shifted by 59.0 ppm to lower frequency when compared with that of free CH<sub>3</sub>C<sup>15</sup>N (–138.3 ppm) in SO<sub>2</sub>ClF solvent.

The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(<sup>14</sup>NCCH<sub>3</sub>) and *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(<sup>15</sup>NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (Figure 7.5) recorded in SO<sub>2</sub>CIF solvent at -80 (-40) <sup>o</sup>C are singlets at 1.76 (2.66) ppm (<sup>1</sup>*J*(<sup>1</sup>H–<sup>13</sup>C), 139.5 (137.9) Hz) and 2.02 ppm (<sup>1</sup>*J*(<sup>1</sup>H–<sup>13</sup>C), 139.8 Hz), respectively. The <sup>1</sup>H complexation shifts for the <sup>14</sup>N (0.50 ppm) and <sup>15</sup>N (0.51 ppm) isotopomers are comparable to that observed for ReO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) in SO<sub>2</sub>CIF (0.59 ppm).<sup>45</sup> A singlet was observed at 2.24 ppm in the <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(<sup>15</sup>NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (-80 <sup>o</sup>C) which resulted from the methyl carbon of the coordinated CH<sub>3</sub>CN ligand, representing a 1.59 ppm complexation shift relative to free CH<sub>3</sub>CN (0.65 ppm), also observed in CH<sub>3</sub>CN solvent presumably because they overlap with the solvent peaks.



Figure 7.3. <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra (470.409 MHz) of <sup>15</sup>N-enriched *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (A) and *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (B) in SO<sub>2</sub>ClF solvent at -80 °C.



**Figure 7.4.**<sup>15</sup>N NMR spectra (50.693 MHz) of <sup>15</sup>N-enriched *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (A), *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (B), and free CH<sub>3</sub>CN (C) in SO<sub>2</sub>ClF solvent at -80 °C.



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Figure 7.5.<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra (500.138 MHz) of <sup>15</sup>N-enriched *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (A), *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (B), and free CH<sub>3</sub>CN (C) in SO<sub>2</sub>ClF solvent at -80 °C.

#### 7.2.4.2. mer-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>).

The <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra of *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(<sup>14</sup>NCCH<sub>3</sub>) at -40 [-80] °C in SO<sub>2</sub>ClF solvent consisted of two weak doublets assigned to the equatorial (-13.1 [-15.4] ppm) and axial (-44.4 [-46.1] ppm) fluorine environments with  ${}^{2}J({}^{19}F_{1}-{}^{19}F_{2}) = 134.3$  [135.0] Hz, which is similar to the two-bond fluorine-fluorine coupling constant of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> (138.3 Hz).<sup>20</sup> The <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(<sup>15</sup>NCCH<sub>3</sub>), recorded at -84 °C, consisted of a weak doublet of doublets at -17.9 ppm assigned to F<sub>1</sub> and a weak doublet, of equal intensity, at -48.0 ppm assigned to F<sub>2</sub> with  ${}^{2}J({}^{19}F_{1}-{}^{19}F_{2}) = 134.3$  Hz and  ${}^{2}J({}^{15}N-{}^{19}F_{1}) = 18.3$  Hz (Figure 7.3). The  ${}^{2}J({}^{15}N-{}^{19}F_{2})$  coupling was not resolved.

The <sup>15</sup>N NMR spectrum of the <sup>15</sup>N enriched *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (Figure 7.4) consisted of a doublet at –258.6 ppm which resulted from coupling to the equatorial fluorine  $({}^{2}J({}^{15}N-{}^{19}F_{1}) = 18.3 \text{ Hz})$ , however, as in the <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum, the  ${}^{2}J({}^{15}N-{}^{19}F_{2})$  coupling to the axial fluorine was not resolved.

Two-bond coupling constants are known to have a bond angle dependence, with the coupling constant increasing with increasing bond angle so that a *trans*-<sup>2</sup>*J* coupling is generally larger in magnitude than a *cis*-<sup>2</sup>*J* coupling.<sup>242</sup> The <sup>2</sup>*J*(<sup>15</sup>N-<sup>19</sup>F<sub>1</sub>) coupling constant is therefore expected to be larger than  ${}^{2}J({}^{15}N-{}^{19}F_2)$ . The only splitting observed on the resonance at -17.9 ppm has therefore been assigned to  ${}^{2}J({}^{15}N-{}^{19}F_1)$  assuming that the  ${}^{2}J({}^{15}N-{}^{19}F_2)$  coupling on the resonance at -48.0 ppm is smaller and therefore could not be resolved.

The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum recorded in SO<sub>2</sub>ClF (Figure 7.5) is a singlet at 3.12 ppm (-40 °C, <sup>1</sup>J(<sup>1</sup>H-<sup>13</sup>C) = 142.8 Hz) and at 3.04 ppm (-80 °C, <sup>1</sup>J(<sup>1</sup>H-<sup>13</sup>C) = 140.4 Hz). The

complexation shift (av., 1.53 ppm) is significantly greater than that observed for fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (av., 0.51 ppm), in accordance with the shorter calculated Os---N bond length (see Section 7.2.6.1). The <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum consists of a singlet at 2.39 ppm for the methyl carbon of the coordinated CH<sub>3</sub>CN ligand, however, a <sup>13</sup>C signal could not be observed for the cyano carbon of the natural abundance sample at either temperature.

# 7.2.5. Reaction Pathways Leading to *fac*- and *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>).

In addition to fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (Structure II), two other OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) isomers are possible in which the oxygen ligands have *mer*-arrangements. These meridional isomers are distinguished by coordination of CH<sub>3</sub>CN trans to a F atom (*mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>), Structure III) and by coordination of CH<sub>3</sub>CN trans to an O atom (*mer'*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>), Structure IV). Solution NMR studies and the solid-state Raman spectrum and a single-crystal X-ray structure reveal that only the *fac*-isomer is observed in the solid state and in CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution, whereas a mixture of *fac*- and *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) is observed in SO<sub>2</sub>ClF solvent where the *fac*-isomer is strongly favored over the *mer*-isomer. No experimental evidence for the *mer'*-isomer was obtained. The ensuing discussion proposes likely pathways that lead to the *mer*- and *fac*-isomers and account for the absence of the *mer'*-isomer.



In the solid state,  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  is a fluorine-bridged polymer in which the Os atoms are pseudo-octahedrally coordinated, having a fac-trioxo arrangement and two bridging F atoms and one terminal F atom that are trans to O atoms (Structure V). The Os--- $F_{1,3}$ bridge bonds can be regarded as half bonds relative to the terminal Os-F<sub>2</sub> bond of the  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  polymer. Thus, the fluorine bridge ligand is the only viable leaving group for displacement by  $CH_3CN$ .<sup>18</sup> When  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  is dissolved in  $CH_3CN$ , the direction of solvent attack must be along a pseudo three-fold axis along which a  $d_{t_{2g}}$  metal orbital points. The preferred face for attack will be the least sterically hindered face of the pseudo-octahedron which is comprised of two bridging fluorine ligands and an oxygen ligand, and leads exclusively to the fac-isomer (Scheme 7.1a). Dissociation of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) to the trigonal bipyramidal cis-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> intermediate is suppressed in CH<sub>3</sub>CN solvent so that isomerization to mer-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) is prevented (Scheme 7.1b). Isomerization occurs, however, when OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) is formed in SO<sub>2</sub>ClF solvent because the equilibrium leading to cis-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> ( $C_s$ ) is no longer suppressed, allowing CH<sub>3</sub>CN to recombine by coordination in the trigonal plane of *cis*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> at (a) the sterically least congested sites between the equatorial fluorine ligand and an oxygen ligand to give fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (Scheme 7.1c) or at (b) the sterically most congested and least favored site between two oxygen ligands to give mer-OsO<sub>3</sub> $F_2$ (NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (Scheme 7.1d). Thus, the pathway that leads to fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) in SO<sub>2</sub>ClF is twice as likely as that which leads to mer-OsO<sub>3</sub> $F_2$ (NCCH<sub>3</sub>). The experimental isomer ratios are not statistical (fac/mer = 2), but are significantly skewed towards the fac-isomer due to steric and electronic effects which also favor the *fac*-isomer. In SO<sub>2</sub>ClF solvent, a plausible path

from fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) and *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub> $F_2$ (NCCH<sub>3</sub>) to *mer*'-OsO<sub>3</sub> $F_2$ (NCCH<sub>3</sub>) commences with dissociation of fac- or mer-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) to cis-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> (C<sub>s</sub>) followed by intramolecular ligand exchange by means of Berry pseudo-rotation to give the cis, trans-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> ( $C_{2\nu}$ ) and eq-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> ( $D_{3h}$ ) intermediates (Scheme 7.1e). Recombination by CH<sub>3</sub>CN coordination to *cis,trans*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> in the trigonal plane between one of the F atoms and the O atom affords mer-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (Scheme 7.1f) whereas coordination between the two F atoms affords mer'-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (Scheme 7.1g), which is sterically more favorable, but statistically less favorable. The calculated relative stabilities of cis-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> ( $C_s$ ) and eq-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> ( $D_{3h}$ ) are similar with cis-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> ( $C_s$ ) being slightly more stable (5.7 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>) at the B3LYP level of theory and eq-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> ( $D_{3h}$ ) being slightly more stable (3.1 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>) at the SVWN level of theory. Attempts to optimize the structure of the cis, trans-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> ( $C_{2\nu}$ ) intermediate failed at both the SVWN and B3LYP levels of theory, yielding only eq-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> ( $D_{3h}$ ) as the optimized structure. To ensure failure to optimize the cis-, trans-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> ( $C_{2\nu}$ ) intermediate was notbasis set dependent, a further attempt was made at the B3LYP level using the aug-ccpVTZ(-PP) basis set for Os. Once again the optimization only gave the eq-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> ( $D_{3h}$ ) geometry. Thus, there is apparently no pathway that converts cis-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> to cis, trans-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> by means of Berry pseudo-rotation. Although the stabilities of cis-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> and eq-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> are very similar, the non-existence of the *cis*, *trans*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> intermediate renders isomerization pathways f-h in Scheme 7.1 untenable. Alternative rearrangements by dissociative mechanisms would be predicated on the dissociation of the cis-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> to  $OsO_3F^+$  and  $F^-$ , which; however, would present a formidable barrier, with gas-phase



Scheme 7.1. Reaction pathways that account for the formation of the experimentally observed *fac*- and *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) isomers and the absence of mer'-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>).

dissociation energies of 948 (SVWN) and 872 (B3LYP) kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>. Moreover, a dissociative mechanism would not be viable under the present basic solvent conditions because  $OsO_3F^+$  can only be generated by fluoride ion abstraction using strong Lewis acid fluoride ion acceptors.<sup>21</sup>

The reaction pathways in Scheme 7.1 suggest that the most abundant isomer should be fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>), consistent with the CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution NMR studies and isolation of this isomer from CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution. The weaker resonances in SO<sub>2</sub>ClF solution have a splitting pattern and abundance consistent with *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>). The above considerations account for why the *fac*-isomer was always present in significantly higher concentration than the *mer*-isomer in SO<sub>2</sub>ClF solution and why *mer*'-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) is not observed.

#### 7.2.6. Computational Results.

The calculated geometries of *fac*- and *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (Figure 7.6) optimized under  $C_1$  symmetry at the SVWN [B3LYP] levels of theory and resulted in stationary points with all frequencies real. The starting geometry for *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) was the crystallographic geometry and the starting geometry for *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) was obtained by interchanging the positions of one oxygen and one fluorine atom in the optimized geometry of *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>). The energy-minimized geometries (Table 7.2 and Figure E3) and vibrational frequencies (Table 7.3) of CH<sub>3</sub>CN ( $C_{3v}$ ) and *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> ( $C_{2v}$ )<sup>18</sup> were also calculated to serve as benchmarks and for comparison with *fac*- and *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>).



**Figure 7.6.** The calculated SVWN/SDDall gas-phase geometries for (a) fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) ( $C_1$ ), (b) mer-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) ( $C_1$ ).

#### 7.2.6.1. Calculated Geometries.

#### 7.2.6.1.1. fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>).

The calculated geometries of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (Figure 7.6a) are in good agreement with the experimental geometry. Overall, the B3LYP values provide slightly better agreement with the experimental bond lengths, although the Os---N bond length (2.260 [2.386] Å) is overestimated when compared with the experimental value (2.205(3))Å). The Os–O bond lengths (1.727, 1,712 [1.701, 1.687] Å) are in good agreement with the experimental values (1.707(2), 1.704(2), 1.699(2) Å), however, the calculations overestimate the bond length differences between bonds that are trans to F and those that are trans to O. The Os-F bond lengths (1.922 [1.922] Å) are slightly underestimated when compared with the experimental values (1.939(2) Å). The experimental bond angles are all well reproduced by both methods, the largest discrepancy being the Os---N-C bond angle, which is calculated to be 170.5 [173.7]° instead of the almost linear experimental value of 178.4(2)°. The deviation from linearity for the calculated structure is likely a result of the CH<sub>3</sub>CN ligand being repelled by the Os-O double bond domain towards the Os-F single bond domain. The near-linear Os---N-C bond angle in the crystal structure is attributed to crystal packing because this angle is very deformable as suggested by the low calculated Os---N-C bending frequencies (214 and 217 cm<sup>-1</sup>). The N-C and C-C bond lengths of the adducted CH<sub>3</sub>CN molecule are slightly shorter than those predicted for the free CH<sub>3</sub>CN molecule, in agreement with experiment.

#### 7.2.6.1.2. mer-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>).

The energy-minimized geometry of *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (Figure 7.6b) has a pseudo-octahedral osmium coordination sphere in which the nitrogen atom of CH<sub>3</sub>CN is coordinated trans to a fluorine atom (Os–N, 2.114 [2.175] Å). The O<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>3</sub> atoms are equidistant from the osmium atom (1.760 [1.736] Å) with a somewhat shorter Os–O<sub>1</sub> bond length (1.728 [1.705] Å). The longer Os–O<sub>2,3</sub> bond lengths result from the mutual trans influences of the oxygen ligands, whereas the shorter Os–O<sub>1</sub> bond length results because O<sub>1</sub> is trans to a fluorine ligand, F<sub>2</sub>. The F<sub>1</sub> atom is trans to the CH<sub>3</sub>CN ligand, resulting in a Os–F<sub>1</sub> bond length (1.863 [1.857] Å) that is shorter than the Os–F<sub>2</sub> bond length (1.968 [1.972] Å). The longer Os–F<sub>2</sub> bond length results from the greater trans influence of O<sub>1</sub> when compared with that of the CH<sub>3</sub>CN ligand. The N---Os–O<sub>2,3</sub> bond angles are equal (91.0 [88.9]°) and more open than the N---Os–O<sub>1</sub> (84.2 [83.1]°) and N---Os–F<sub>2</sub> (73.4 [75.4]°) bond angles.

The N–C and C–C bond lengths of the adducted  $CH_3CN$  molecule are slightly shorter than those calculated for the free  $CH_3CN$  molecule, in accordance with the relatively short Os---N bond length (2.114 [2.175] Å), and are comparable to those of the *fac*-isomer (vide supra).

#### 7.2.6.2. Charges, Valencies, and Bond Orders.

The NBO analyses were carried out for the SVWN- and B3LYP-optimized gasphase geometries of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>), *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>), and CH<sub>3</sub>CN. The NBO results are given in Table E3. The SVWN and B3LYP results are similar for the experimentally observed *fac*- and *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub> $F_2$ (NCCH<sub>3</sub>) isomers; therefore, only the SVWN results are referred to in the ensuing discussion.

The NBO analyses give natural population analysis (NPA) charges for Os of 1.83 and 1.76 in *fac*- and *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>), respectively. The NPA charges of the oxygen, fluorine, and nitrogen ligand atoms are negative with charges that are somewhat less than -0.50, indicating that the bonds formed with the osmium atom are polar covalent.

The Os–O bond orders (fac, 0.84 and mer, 0.81) are approximately twice the Os–F bond order (fac 0.42 and 0.42 and mer 0.50 and 0.40). The Os–N bond orders indicate that the Os---N bonds have significant covalent character. The Os–N bond order of the *fac*-isomer (0.29) is significantly less than the Os–N bond order of the *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) isomer (0.40), indicating that the latter Os–N bond is expected to be stronger than that of the *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) isomer, consistent with its shorter calculated bond length (vide supra) and coordination of the CH<sub>3</sub>CN ligand trans to a fluorine ligand.

The charges on the N atoms of the adducted CH<sub>3</sub>CN ligands (fac, -0.41 and mer, -0.37) are more negative than that of the free ligand (-0.31), whereas the charges on the C<sub>1</sub> atoms (fac, 0.49 and mer, 0.53) are more positive than that of CH<sub>3</sub>CN (0.28). The C–N bond orders (1.76 and 1.74, respectively) are less than that of the free ligand (1.84). The charge differences and C–N bond orders indicate that the adducted ligand is polarized by the electronegative Os(VIII) center and that significant electron density has migrated from the formal C–N triple bond to the N atom. As expected, the charges, valencies, and bond orders of the CH<sub>3</sub> group do not change significantly upon adduct formation.

#### 7.2.6.3. Calculated Frequencies.

The vibrational frequencies, intensities, and assignments for *fac*- and *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) were calculated at the SVWN and B3LYP levels (Table 7.5) and confirm that the assignments of the experimental vibrational frequencies are consistent with *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) (see Section 7.2.3).

The *fac*- and *mer*-isomers cannot be differentiated based solely on the CH<sub>3</sub>CN ligand frequencies. The calculated frequencies between 1040 and 3072 cm<sup>-1</sup> are assigned to the adducted CH<sub>3</sub>CN molecule and are comparable for the *mer*- and *fac*-isomers and are in good agreement with the experimental frequencies of the *fac*-isomer.

The presence of *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub> $F_2$ (NCCH<sub>3</sub>) is discounted for the following reasons: (1) calculated v(CC)and v(OsO)The stretching frequencies of facand mer-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) occur between 949–988 cm<sup>-1</sup> and 888–1002 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively, whereas the experimental v(CC) and v(OsO) stretches occur between 910–956 cm<sup>-1</sup>. The frequency range of the *fac*-isomer is significantly narrower than that of the *mer*-isomer and more consistent with the experimental frequency range. (2) The bands associated with the Os-F stretches are coupled in the case of the fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) isomer, giving rise to in-phase,  $v(OsF_1) + v(OsF_2)$ , and out-of-phase,  $v(OsF_1) - v(OsF_2)$ , modes with frequencies calculated at 564 and 624 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. In contrast, Os-F stretches of mer-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) are not coupled, with  $v(OsF_2)$  and  $v(OsF_1)$  calculated at 531 and 663 cm<sup>-1</sup>. When compared with the experimental v(OsF) stretching frequencies of the fac-isomer (529 and 598;  $\Delta v$ , 68 cm<sup>-1</sup>), the calculated difference between the two v(OsF) modes of the *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) isomer ( $\Delta v$ , 132 cm<sup>-1</sup>) is much greater. Overall, the

<b>Table 7.5.</b>	Calculated Vibrational Frequencies (cm <sup>-1</sup> ), Intensities, <sup><i>a</i></sup> and Assignments for
	<i>fac</i> - and <i>mer</i> -OsO <sub>3</sub> $F_2$ (NCCH <sub>3</sub> )

fac-OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> (NCCH <sub>3</sub> )		mer-OsO	F2(NCCH3)	assgnts $(C_1)^d$
SVWN <sup>b</sup>	B3LYP <sup>e</sup>	SVWN <sup>▶</sup>	B3LYP <sup>c</sup>	
3072(81)[3]	3125(67)[<1]	3070(78)[6]	3126(63)[2]	··· (CII.)
3071(74)[3]	3125(64)[1]	3072(84)[5]	3127(67)[2]	$V_{as}(C\Pi_3)$
2976(230)[4]	3052(239)[<1]	2975(251)[10]	3052(246)[3]	$\nu_{s}(CH_{3})$
2322(245)[67]	2422(184)[78]	2348(321)[87]	2447(222)[113]	v(CN)
1425(20)[24]	1467(6)[12]	1421(18)[25]	1463(5)[13]	
1425(19)[24]	1467(6)[12]	1421(20)[25]	1463(6)[13]	$O_{as}(CH_3)$
1394(34)[27]	1411(12)[2]	1394(39)[30]	1409(14)[2]	δ <sub>s</sub> (CH <sub>3</sub> )
1043(<1)[10]	1063(<1)[4]	1038(<1)[11]	1058(<1)[5]	
1040(<0.1)[10]	1061(<1)[4]	1040(<1)[11]	1061(<1)[4]	$p_r(C\Pi_3)$
		1003(7)[5] <sup>•</sup>	957(23)[31]	$v(CC) + v(OsO_1)$
988(5)[16] <sup>f</sup>	1020(60)[95]			v(CC)
		932(30)[84] <sup>8</sup>	974(21)[46]	$v(OsO_1) - v(CC)$
983(47)[117] <sup>h</sup>	947(8)[9]			$v(OsO_1)$
		882(44)[15] <sup>i</sup>	916(37)[43]	$v(OsO_2) + v(OsO_3)$
951(37)[64]	989(23)[125]			$v(OsO_1) + v(OsO_2)$
		889(3)[163]	916(2)[198]	$v(OsO_2) - v(OsO_3)$
949(14)[117]	975(14)[150]			$\nu(OsO_1) - \nu(OsO_2)$
(/[]	(/[]	678(21)[123]	663(18)[133]	$\nu(OsF_1)$
624(10)[98]	609(8)[115]			$v(OsF_1) + v(OsF_2)$
564(7)[52]	547(4)[51]			$v(OsF_1) - v(OsF_2)$
50 (()[52]	2.0(0[21]	542(9)[53]	531(8)[63]	$v(OsF_{0})$
410(2)[<1]	421(<1)[1]	433(3)[2]	446(1)[3]	SOUCC)
408(2)[<1]	422((1)[3]	411(2)[<0,1]	435(2)[<1]	SONCC).
400(2)[1]	422(1)[5]	397(6)[<1]	431(4)[<1]	$\delta(\Omega_{1} \cap c E_{1}) + \delta(\Omega_{1} \cap c \Omega_{1})$
387(4)[2]	A17(2)[2]	557(0)[ 1]	-91(-N[-1]	$\delta(\bigcirc_2\bigcirc_3\bigcirc_2) + \delta(\bigcirc_1\bigcirc_3\bigcirc_3)$
567(1)[2]	417(3)[2]	335(1)[~1]	3/3/5)[~1]	$S(O \cap E) = S(O \cap E)$
260(5)[12]	202(1)[12]	555( <del>+</del> )[-1]	J4J(J)[1]	$O(O_2 \cup SF_1) = O(O_3 \cup SF_1)$
309(3)[13]	392(1)[12] 296(6)[6]			$\partial(OsO_1O_2O_3)$
301(0)[3]	380(0)[0]	202(1)[4]	250(~1)[5]	$\rho_t(O_1 \cup s \cup_2) + \delta(O_2 \cup s \cup_3)$
210(-1)[10]	220/~1101	525(1)[4]	330(<1)[3]	$\rho_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{F}_2 \cup \mathbf{S} \cup \mathbf{I})$
319(<1)[10]	338(<1)[10]	210(4)[16]	22//2/2021	$\delta(O_1OsO_2) - \delta(F_1OsF_2)$
		312(4)[15]	336(3)[23]	$\delta(O_1OsF_1) + \rho_w(O_2OsO_3)$
0.01 (0)[1.0]	A ( A ) [ A ]	296(3)[22]	306(3)[28]	$\delta(OsO_1F_1F_2)$
281(2)[13]	289(2)[17]			$\delta(OsO_3F_1F_2)$
203(1)[16]	149(<1)[17]	274(<1)[3]	235(,1)[20]	v(OsN)
278(2)[17]	291(2)[20]			$\rho_r(O_1OsO_2) - \rho_r(F_1OsF_2)$
217(<1)[<1]	211(<1)[<1]	260(<1)[32]	264(,1)[25]	$\delta(OsNC)_{ip}$
214(<1)[<1]	209(<1)[1]	210(<0.1)[<1]	226(<0.1)[<0.1]	$\delta(OsNC)_{oop}$
		194(3)[15]	213(2)[14]	coupled deformation mode
174(<1)[<0.1]	174(<1)[<0.1]			$\rho_t(F_1OsF_2) - \rho_t(O_2OsO_1)$
		89(2)[4]	71(1)[3]	coupled deformation mode
49(2)[5]	50(1)[4]	61(2)[4]	59(<1)[3]	pr(NCCN) <sub>ip</sub>
49(2)[4]	50(2)[4]	59(<1)[<1]	57(2)[3]	ρ <sub>r</sub> (NCCN) <sub>00p</sub>
9(<0.1)[<0.1]	5(<0.1)[<0.1]	55(3)[<0.1]	14(<0.1)[<0.1]	$\rho_t(CH_3)$

<sup>a</sup> Values in parentheses denote calculated Raman intensities ( $Å^4 u^{-1}$ ) and values in square brackets denote calculated infrared intensities (km mol<sup>-1</sup>). <sup>b</sup> SVWN/SDDall. <sup>c</sup> B3LYP/Stutt-Fl (Os) aug-cc-pVTZ (H, C, N, F). <sup>d</sup> Assignments are based on the B3LYP geometry for both compounds. The atom labeling scheme refers to Figure 7.6 and the plane of symmetry is defined by the O<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>3</sub>, Os, F<sub>1</sub>, and N atoms. The abbreviations denote stretch (v), bend ( $\delta$ ),

torsion ( $\rho_t$ ), wag ( $\rho_w$ ), rock ( $\rho_r$ ), out-of-plane (oop) and in-plane (ip).<sup>*e*</sup> At the SVWN level, the mode description is  $v(C_1C_2)$ . <sup>*f*</sup> At the SVWN level, the mode description is  $v(C_1C_2) - v(OsO_3)_{small}$ . <sup>*g*</sup> At the SVWN level, the mode description is  $v(OsO_1)$ . <sup>*h*</sup> At the SVWN level, the mode description is  $v(OsO_1) + v(C_1C_2)_{small}$ . <sup>*i*</sup> At the SVWN level, the mode description is  $v(OsO_1) + v(OsO_2) + v(OsO_3)$ .

**Table 7.6.** Calculated Gas-Phase  $\Delta H$  and  $\Delta G$  (kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>) Values for the Conversion of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) to *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)<sup>a</sup>

	Δ	Η	Δ	G
T (K)	SVWN	B3LYP	SVWN	B3LYP
298.15	114.24	121.24	115.23	123.39
233.15	114.46	121.20	117.83	122.92
193.15	114.43	121.18	117.24	122.62

<sup>*a*</sup> Zero-point energy corrected values for each member of an isomer pair were used.

calculated frequencies of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) provide the best overall agreement with the experimental spectrum.

# 7.2.6.4. Relative Stabilities of *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) and *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>).

The reaction enthalpies and Gibbs free energies were calculated for the conversion of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) to *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) at the SVWN and B3LYP levels of theory at 298, 233, and 193 K (Table 7.6). The calculated enthalpy changes demonstrate that the *fac*-isomer is preferred over the *mer*-isomer by 114.4(1) (SVWN) and 121.2(3) (B3LYP) kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>, which is consistent with the experimental findings. As expected for an isomerization, the  $\Delta G$  values at the SVWN (-115.2 to -117.8 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>) and B3LYP levels (-122.6 to -123.4 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>) do not show a large entropy dependence with little variation in  $\Delta G$  with temperature.

# 7.3. Conclusions

Fluorine-19 NMR spectroscopy reveals that dissolution of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  in CH<sub>3</sub>CN solvent exclusively yields exclusively *fac*-OsO\_3F\_2(NCCH\_3) and single-crystal X-ray diffraction has shown that crystallization from CH<sub>3</sub>CN solvent at -45 °C yields *fac*-OsO\_3F\_2(NCCH\_3)·2CH\_3CN. The F\_2O\_3OsN-moiety in the X-ray crystal structure of *fac*-OsO\_3F\_2(NCCH\_3)·2CH\_3CN is pseudo-octahedral with the three oxygen ligands in a facial arrangement and the CH\_3CN ligand nitrogen coordinated to osmium. The CH\_3CN solvent molecules in the crystal lattice can be removed under dynamic vacuum at -40 °C to yield unsolvated *fac*-OsO\_3F\_2(NCCH\_3). The *fac*- and *mer*- isomers of OsO\_3F\_2(NCCH\_3) were observed in SO\_2CIF solvent and confirmed by their spin-spin coupling patterns in

their low-temperature <sup>19</sup>F and <sup>15</sup>N NMR spectra. The Raman spectra of the solids isolated from CH<sub>3</sub>CN and SO<sub>2</sub>ClF solutions are identical and are attributed to fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>). The vibrational assignments of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) were confirmed by the calculated vibrational frequencies which show better agreement with the calculated experimental results than the values for mer-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>). Thermochemical calculations are consistent with experiment, showing that the fac-isomer is favored over the mer-isomer by ca. 118 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>. Quantum-chemical calculations and the proposed reaction pathways account for why fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) is observed exclusively in CH<sub>3</sub>CN solvent and why a mixture of fac- and mer-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) isomers is observed in SO<sub>2</sub>ClF, with the *fac*-isomer dominating in the latter case. The proposed reaction pathways also account for the absence of mer'-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>).
### **CHAPTER 8**

# SYNTHESES, RAMAN SPECTRA, AND X-RAY CRYSTAL STRUCTURES OF $[XeF_5][\mu-F(OsO_3F_2)_2] \text{ AND } [M][OsO_3F_3] (M = XeF_5^+, Xe_2F_{11}^+)$

#### 8.1. Introduction

Polymeric  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  has been previously shown to behave as a fluoride-ion acceptor towards strong fluoride ion donors, forming the  $OsO_3F_3^-$  anion as its K<sup>+</sup>,<sup>24-26</sup>  $Cs^+$ ,<sup>24-26</sup>  $Ag^+$ ,<sup>25</sup>  $Rb^+$ ,<sup>24</sup>  $Na^+$ ,<sup>24</sup>  $NO^+$ ,<sup>23</sup> and  $N(CH_3)_4^+$  <sup>23</sup> salts. The infrared and Raman spectra of  $OsO_3F_3^-$  have been assigned to the *fac*-isomer  $(C_{3\nu} \text{ symmetry})^{23, 24}$  and an EXAFS study also assigned a facial geometry to the  $OsO_3F_3^-$  anion in its K<sup>+</sup> salt.<sup>26</sup> The single-crystal X-ray structure of  $[N(CH_3)_4][OsO_3F_3]^{23}$  also established that the  $OsO_3F_3^-$  anion of this salt has a facial geometry.

A recent study of the reaction of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  with XeOF<sub>4</sub> has led to the molecular adduct,  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  which, prior to the present study, was the only example of a Xe(VI)/Os(VIII) compound.<sup>18</sup> Failure to abstract a fluoride ion from XeOF<sub>4</sub> to form a XeOF<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> salt of OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> is in accordance with the lower gas-phase fluoride ion affinity of OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> (348.5 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>) relative to that of SbF<sub>5</sub> (495.0 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>).<sup>243</sup> Moreover, only XeOF<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> salts derived from one of the strongest fluoride ion acceptors known, SbF<sub>5</sub>, have been synthesized, namely, [XeOF<sub>3</sub>][SbF<sub>6</sub>]<sup>68, 130, 244</sup> and [XeOF<sub>3</sub>][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>].<sup>244-246</sup> The fluoride ion acceptor strength of (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>∞</sub> toward polar-covalent fluorides is diminished relative to that of gas-phase OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> because the fluoride ion donor must be sufficiently fluoro-basic to disrupt the Os---F---Os bridge bonds of the polymeric solid-state structure of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ .<sup>11</sup>

In contrast, XeF<sub>6</sub> is the strongest fluoride ion donor among the binary fluorides of xenon,<sup>69</sup> and forms a large number of  $XeF_5^+$  and  $Xe_2F_{11}^+$  salts with a variety of Lewis acid fluorides having a wide range of fluoride ion acceptor strengths. The  ${\rm XeF_5}^+$  and  $Xe_2F_{11}^+$  cations are extensively associated with their anions through fluorine bridge contacts. In the present study, the reactivity of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  with the moderately strong fluoride ion donor, XeF<sub>6</sub>, is investigated. The syntheses and characterizations by Raman and single-crystal X-ray diffraction of  $[XeF_5][\mu - F(OsO_3F_2)_2],$ spectroscopy  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ , and  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  are described and provide the first examples of noble-gas cations stabilized by metal oxide fluoride anions. The X-ray crystal structures of these strongly ion-paired salts and their Raman spectra are compared within the series and with the gas-phase ion-pair geometries and vibrational spectra that have been arrived at by quantum-chemical calculations.

#### 8.2. Results and Discussion

# 8.2.1. Syntheses and Crystal Growth of $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>], $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ , and $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$ .

The  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>],  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ , and  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  salts were synthesized by direct reaction of XeF<sub>6</sub> and  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  at temperatures ranging from 25 to 50 °C and the extent of reaction was monitored by low-temperature (-150 °C) Raman spectroscopy. A 2:1 molar ratio of  $OsO_3F_2$  and  $XeF_6$  was allowed to react at room temperature (25 °C), initially forming an orange liquid which solidified as the reaction progressed. To ensure complete reaction, the resulting microcrystalline orange solid,  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>], was heated at 50 °C for 1 h but showed no physical changes or change in the Raman spectrum (eq 8.1). When dissolved in HF at 25 °C, the fluoride ion

$$2OsO_3F_2 + XeF_6 \xrightarrow{50^{\circ}C} [XeF_5][\mu - F(OsO_3F_2)_2]$$
 (8.1)

affinity of HF was sufficient to abstract a fluoride ion from  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> to form  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ , XeF<sub>6</sub>, and F<sup>-</sup> $\cdot$ *n*HF (eq 8.2). In HF solution, XeF<sub>6</sub> ionizes to XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> and F<sup>-</sup> $\cdot$ *n*HF (eq 8.3).<sup>247</sup> In XeOF<sub>4</sub> solvent at 25 °C, [XeF<sub>5</sub>][ $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] reacted to form  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$ ·2XeOF<sub>4</sub><sup>18</sup> and XeF<sub>6</sub> (eq 8.4) which was verified by Raman spectroscopy after removal of the solvent at -40 °C.

$$[XeF_5][\mu - F(OsO_3F_2)_2] + nHF \longrightarrow 2OsO_3F_2 + XeF_6 + F \cdot nHF \qquad (8.2)$$

$$XeF_5^+ + F^- nHF \xrightarrow{HF} XeF_6$$
 (8.3)

$$[XeF_5][\mu - F(OsO_3F_2)_2] + 2XeOF_4 \xrightarrow{XeOF_4} (OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4 + XeF_6 \quad (8.4)$$

When molten  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] was cooled from 50 to 25 °C over a period of 1 h, light orange, block-shaped crystals of  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] formed which were suitable for single-crystal X-ray diffraction. The Raman spectrum of the recrystallized compound was identical to that of the bulk microcrystalline compound used for recrystallization.

A 1:1 molar ratio of  $OsO_3F_2$  and  $XeF_6$  was fused at 25 °C, yielding an intense orange liquid that slowly solidified at 0 °C to give an orange crystalline mass that

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corresponded to  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$  (eq 8.5). The sample was remelted and slowly cooled

$$XeF_6 + OsO_3F_2 \longrightarrow [XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$$
(8.5)

over a period of 1 h from 5 to 0 °C, forming light orange block-shaped crystals that were suitable for single-crystal X-ray diffraction. The Raman spectra of the initial crystalline solid and of the remelted crystalline solid were identical.

The reaction of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  with two molar equivalents of XeF<sub>6</sub> yielded an orange, microcrystalline powder corresponding to  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  (eq 8.6), which melted at

$$2XeF_6 + OsO_3F_2 \xrightarrow{25 \circ C} [Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$$
 (8.6)

40–45 °C to give an intense orange liquid. Cooling of the melt to 25 °C resulted in crystalline [Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>]. Crystalline [Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>], suitable for single-crystal X-ray diffraction, was obtained by heating a mixture of 4.6 equivalents of XeF<sub>6</sub> and one equivalent of OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> at 45 °C, whereupon XeF<sub>6</sub> melted and reacted with OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> to form an intense orange liquid. Cooling of the reaction mixture to 15 °C over a period of 12 h resulted in the growth of light orange needle-shaped crystals of [Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] and colorless block-shaped crystals of XeF<sub>6</sub>. The latter was shown to be a monoclinic phase ( $P2_1/c$ , Z = 32) of XeF<sub>6</sub><sup>61, 63</sup> based on its unit cell parameters. Crystals grown from the XeF<sub>6</sub> melt had the same unit cell parameters as crystals grown from a 2:1 stoichiometric mixture of XeF<sub>6</sub>: OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>.

The salts,  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>],  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ , and  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$ , are stable at room temperature for up to 24 h, however, when heated at 50 °C under ca. 1 atm of dry N<sub>2</sub> for periods exceeding 2 h, crystals of XeF<sub>6</sub> sublimed out of the heated zone and condensed on the cooler walls of the reaction vessel. Although XeF<sub>6</sub> is oxophilic towards a number of metal oxides and oxide fluorides,<sup>45, 85, 200</sup> fluoride/oxide metathesis, indicated by XeOF<sub>4</sub> formation and strong Xe–O stretching bands at 902 and 908 cm<sup>-1</sup> in the solid,<sup>18</sup> was not detected in the course of monitoring the aforementioned syntheses by Raman spectroscopy.

# 8.2.2. X-ray Crystal Structures of $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>], $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ , and $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$ .

Details of data collection parameters and other crystallographic information are provided in Table 8.1. The bond lengths and bond angles of  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] are listed in Table 8.2 and those of  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$  and  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  are listed in Table 8.3. The ion pairs of all three structures are well isolated from one another (Figures 8.1a -8.3a), although an inter-ion pair contact (O(1B)...Xe(1)) occurs in the  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$ structure, with long intermolecular contacts between adjacent ion pairs in  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>],<sup>248</sup>  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ ,<sup>249</sup> and  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]^{250}$  near the sums of the van der Waals radii<sup>165</sup> of the contacting atoms.

The structures consist of discrete  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>],  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ , and  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  ion pairs (Figures 8.1–8.3, respectively) whose geometries are well reproduced by gas-phase quantum-chemical calculations (see Sectopm 8.2.4). The  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> anions and XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> cations stack, without alternation, along the *b*- and *c*-axes (Figure F1), and the  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] ion pairs alternate along the *a*-axis. The anions and cations of  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$  form layers in which the cations and anions alternate along the *a*- and *b*-axes and the ion pairs stack, without alternation, along the *c*-axis (Figure F2), so that the Xe···Os internuclear axes are orthogonal to each other

Table 8.1.	Summary of Crystal Data and Refinement Results for [XeF <sub>5</sub> ][µ-F(OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ],
	$[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ , and $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$

	$[XeF_5][\mu - F(OsO_3F_2)_2]$	$[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$	$[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$
chem formula	$Os_8O_{24}F_{40}Xe_4$	$Os_8O_{24}F_{64}Xe_8$	$Os_4O_{12}F_{56}Xe_8$
space group	<i>Pnma</i> (62)	$P4_2/n$ (86)	Pnma (62)
<i>a</i> (Å)	12.672(1)	16.8876(3)	9.2479(3)
<i>b</i> (Å)	11.444(1)	16.8876(3)	15.1769(5)
c (Å)	7.5818(7)	5.3414(2)	8.1192(2)
$V(Å^3)$	1099.6(2)	1523.3(1)	1139.46(6)
molecules/unit cell	4	8	4
mol wt (g mol <sup><math>-1</math></sup> )	1633.40	4172.00	3067.20
calcd density (g cm <sup><math>-3</math></sup> )	4.819	4.548	4.470
<i>T</i> (°C)	-173	-173	-173
$\mu (\mathrm{mm}^{-1})$	26.28	21.24	17.24
$R_I^a$	0.0273	0.0356	0.0249
$wR_2^{\mathbf{b}}$	0.0486	0.0729	0.0603

<sup>*a*</sup>  $R_1$  is defined as  $\Sigma ||F_0| - |F_c|| / \Sigma |F_0|$  for  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ . <sup>*b*</sup>  $wR_2$  is defined as  $\{\Sigma[w(F_0^2 - F_c^2)^2] / \Sigma w(F_0^2)^2\}^{\frac{1}{2}}$  for  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ .

**Table 8.2.**Experimental and Calculated Geometrical Parameters for<br/> $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO3F2)2]

exptl <sup>a</sup>				cal	cd <sup>b</sup>		
$[XeF_5][\mu - F(OsO_3F_2)_2]$		$[XeF_5][\mu - F(OsO_3F_2)_2]$		μ-F(Os	$(O_3F_2)_2^-$	XeF <sub>5</sub> <sup>+</sup>	
		(0	$C_{2\nu}$	(0	$C_{2}$	(C	(4v)
		SVWN	B3L YP <sup>d</sup>	SVWN <sup>e</sup>	B3LYP <sup>d</sup>	SVWN <sup>e</sup>	B3LYP <sup>e</sup>
			Bond Lengths (.	Å)			
Os(1)-F(1)	1.978(1)	1.975	1.980	1.919	1.927		
Os(1)-F(2)	1.962(1)	1.975	1.980	1.908	1.925		
Os(1)F(3)	2.1179(5)	2.115	2.147	2.121	2.157		
Os(1)-O(1)	1.698(2)	1.712	1.690	1.729	1.701		
Os(1)-O(2)	1.701(2)	1.712	1.690	1.730	1.702		
Os(1)-O(3)	1.692(2)	1.708	1.690	1.723	1.699		
$Xe(1)\cdots F(1)$	2.622(1)	2.461	2.643				
$Xe(1)\cdots F(2)$	2.663(1)	2.461	2.644				
Xe(1)-F(4)	1.822(2)	1.890	1.881			1.844	1.840
Xe(1)-F(5)	1.848(1)	1.922	1.898			1.877	1.871
Xe(1)-F(6)	1.848(2)	1.916	1.902			1.877	1.871
Xe(1)-F(7)	1.852(2)	1.916	1.902			1.877	1.871
Xe(1)-F(5A)	1.848(1)	1.922	1.898			1.877	1.871
<b>F(1)</b> O (1) F(0)			Bond Angles (de	<u></u>			
F(1) = Os(1) = F(2)	75.71(6)	74.2	74.4	77.6	77.6		
F(1) = Os(1) = -F(3)	79.18(7)	77.0	77.4	78.2	78.3		
F(1) = Os(1) = O(1)	160.07(7)	156.6	157.1	158.6	159.1		
F(1) = Os(1) = O(2)	87.72(8)	88.2	88.5	87.6	88.0		
F(1) = Os(1) = O(3)	91.39(8)	93.1	93.2	94.9	94.1 77.9		
F(2) = Os(1) = -F(3) F(2) = Os(1) = O(1)	11.22(1)	77.0	11.4	/9.4	//.8		
F(2) = OS(1) = O(1) $F(2) = O_{2}(1) = O(2)$	88.99(7) 156.62(7)	00.4 156.6	00.J 1571	00.4	00.U 159 7		
F(2) = Os(1) = O(2)	130.02(7)	130.0	137.1	136.3	136.7		
F(2) = OS(1) = O(3) F(3) = Oc(1) = O(1)	94.30(8)	93.1	93.4	93.0	94.4 82.0		
F(3) = -Os(1) = O(1) F(3) = Os(1) = O(2)	83.10(8)	04.2 81 7	84.2	870	84.0		
F(3) - Os(1) - O(2) F(3) - Os(1) - O(3)	05.02(0) 169.71(0)	04.2	04.2	62.0 171.0	170.0		
$P(3) = O_{3}(1) = O_{3}(3)$	100.71(9) 100.72(0)	107.5	103.1	100.8	101.1		
O(1) = O(1) = O(2)	102.72(9)	103.7	103.2	100.8	101.1		
O(1) = O(3) O(2) = O(1) = O(3)	102.07(9)	103.3	103.0	102.5	102.2		
$U(2) = U_{S}(1) = U(3)$ $F(1) = V_{e}(1) = F(2)$	54 A4(4)	579	53.8	102.1	102.2		
F(1) = Xe(1) - F(2) F(1) = Xe(1) - F(4)	136 53(6)	1357	136.9				
F(1) - Xe(1) - F(5)	70.03(5)	70.3	69.8				
F(1) - Xe(1) - F(5A)	130 36(5)	130.2	130.9				
F(1)Xe(1)-F(6)	126.07(6)	128.1	125.4				
F(1) - Xe(1) - F(7)	71.09(6)	70.6	71.9				
F(2)Xe(1)-F(4)	135.95(6)	135.7	136.9				
F(2)Xe(1)-F(5)	68.19(6)	130.2	130.9				
F(2)Xe(1)-F(5A)	131.94(6)	70.3	69.8				
F(2)Xe(1)-F(6)	71.81(6)	70.6	71.9				
F(2)Xe(1)-F(7)	124.98(6)	128.1	125.4				
F(4)-Xe(1)-F(5)	77.96(5)	77.6	77.8			83.1	83.5
F(4) - Xe(1) - F(5A)	77.96(5)	77.6	77.8			83.1	83.5
F(4) - Xe(1) - F(6)	79.7(Ì)	78.5	79.4			83.1	83.5
F(4) - Xe(1) - F(7)	79.3(1)́	78.5	79.4			83.1	83.5
F(5)-Xe(1)-F(5A)	155.91(9)	155.1	155.6			166.2	167.0
F(5)-Xe(1)-F(6)	87.67(5)	87.5	87.8			89.2	89.3
F(5)-Xe(1)-F(7)	87.98(5)	87.5	87.8			89.2	89.3
F(5A)-Xe(1)-F(6)	87.67(5)	87.5	87.8			89.2	89.3
F(5A)-Xe(1)-F(7)	87.98(5)	87.5	87.8			89.2	89.3
F(6)-Xe(1)-F(7)	159.0(1)	157.0	158.9			166.2	167.0

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Os(1)F(3)Os(1A)	155.5(1)	150.9	155.4	143.0	140.7
Os(1) - F(1) - Xe(1)	114.94(6)	113.8	115.6		
Os(1) - F(2) - Xe(1)	113.83(6)	113.8	115.6		

<sup>*a*</sup> See Figure 8.1a for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*b*</sup> See Figure 8.8a for the atom labeling scheme, where F(5A) and Os(1A) correspond to  $F_5'$  and Os', respectively, for the symmetry-related atoms. <sup>*c*</sup> The SDDall(-PP) basis set augmented for F, O, and Xe with two d-type polarization functions. <sup>*d*</sup> The Stuttgart basis set was used for Os with the f functional. The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets were used for all other atoms. <sup>*e*</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets.

		[XeF <sub>5</sub> ][OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>3</sub> ]	a	$[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]^b$		
	exptl	$calcd(C_s)$		exptl	calc	$\operatorname{cd}(C_s)$
		SVWN °	B3LYP <sup>d</sup>	·····	SVWN <sup>e</sup>	B3LYP <sup>d</sup>
		Bond L	engths (Å)			
Os-F(1)	2.011(2)	2.032	2.052	2.004(2)	2.018	2.072
Os-F(2)	2.006(2)	2.032	2.052	2.001(2)	2.033	1.949
Os-F(3)	2.028(2)	1.999	1.990			
Os-O(1)	1.701(3)	1.711	1.688	1.703(2)	1.711	1.689
Os-O(2)	1.701(3)	1.711	1.688	1.697(3)	1.710	1.690
Os-O(3)	1.692(3)	1.711	1.689			
$Xe(1)\cdots F(1)$	2.514(2)	2.373	2.460	2.504(2)	2.370	2.404
Xe(1)…F(2)	2.521(2)	2.373	2.460	2.800(2)	2.613	3.197
$Xe(1)\cdots F(3)^e$	2.468(2)	2.420	2.606	2.2953(9)	2.244	2.295
Xe(1)-F(4)	1.819(2)	1.890	1.879	1.830(2)	1.893	1.884
Xe(1)-F(5)	1.866(2)	1.923	1.911	1.859(2)	1.921	1.913
Xe(1)-F(6)	1.862(2)	1.924	1.912	1.873(2)	1.939	1.922
Xe(1)-F(7)	1.866(2)	1.924	1.912	1.873(2)	1.928	1.920
Xe(1)-F(8)	1.864(2)	1.923	1.911	1.862(2)	1.918	1.914
$Xe(1) \cdots O(1B)$				3.353(2)		
		Bond A	ngles (deg)			
F(1)-Os-F(2)	74.4(1)	73.2	73.8	75.77(7)	73.9	76.0
F(1)-Os-F(3/1A)	74.6(1)	72.9	73.8	78.96(9)	76.3	77.8
F(1)-Os-O(1/1A)	159.4(1)	158.7	159.8	162.72(9)	160.2	163.8
F(1)-Os-O(2)	89.8(1)	89.5	89.7	88.5(1)	88.5	84.8
F(1)-Os-O(3/1)	89.3(1)	88.4	87.6	88.31(8)	88.6	88.7
F(2)-OsF(3/1A)	74.8(1)	72.9	73.8	75.77(7)	73.9	76.0
F(2)-Os-O(1/1A)	88.8(1)	89.5	89.7	89.88(9)	89.7	92.2
F(2)–Os–O(2)	158.6(1)	158.7	159.8	159.5(1)	157.5	155.1
F(2)–Os–O(3/1)	90.8(1)	88.4	87.6	89.88(9)	89.7	92.2
F(3/1A)-Os-O(1/1A)	89.8(1)	90.3	90.8	88.31(8)	88.6	88.7
F(3/1A)-Os-O(2)	87.3(1)	90.3	90.8	88.5(1)	88.5	84.8
F(3/1A)-Os-O(3/1)	160.7(1)	156.5	156.7	162.72(9)	160.2	163.8
O(1/1A)-Os-O(2)	103.0(2)	104.0	103.7	102.9(1)	104.1	103.1
O(1/1A)OsO(3/1)	102.9(2)	103.9	103.4	101.4(1)	102.8	103.0
O(2)–Os–O(3/1)	103.6(2)	103.9	103.4	102.9(1)	104.1	103.1
F(1) $Xe(1)$ $F(2)$	57.69(8)	61.4	60.0	54.90(6)	58.3	50.1
$F(1)\cdots Xe(1)\cdots F(3)^{e}$	58.87(8)	60.0	57.2	75.37(7)	72.4	71.6
F(1)···Xe(1)–F(4)	140.0(1)	147.4	148.3	139.68(7)	140.3	142.6
F(1)···Xe(1)-F(5)	71.6(1)	111.7	112.0	127.31(7)	128.5	124.3
F(1)- $Ke(1)$ - $F(6)$	124.4(1)	130.1	128.3	74.43(7)	75.6	75.3
F(1)···Xe(1)– $F(7)$	128.3(1)	84.6	84.5	72.47(6)	70.7	73.4
$F(1) \cdots Xe(1) - F(8)$	74.5(1)	71.5	72.4	125.60(7)	123.1	123.5
$F(2)\cdots Xe(1)\cdots F(3)$	58.84(8)	60.0	57.2	61.55(7)	62.4	59.1
F(2)···Xe(1)–F(4)	145.5(1)	147.4	148.3	135.39(8)	135.1	138.0
F(2)···Xe(1)–F(5)	129.0(1)	71.5	72.4	72.43(8)	70.3	74.3
F(2)Xe(1)–F(6)	116.6(1)	84.6	84.5	67.94(6)	69.1	66.8
$F(2) \cdots Xe(1) - F(7)$	71.8(1)	130.1	128.3	126.22(7)	128.1	122.3
F(2)…Xe(1)–F(8)	81.1(1)	111. <b>7</b>	112.0	132.84(7)	131.1	132.5
$F(3)\cdots Xe(1)-F(4)^{e}$	150.6(1)	137.2	139.3	144.56(9)	145.9	145.6
$F(3)$ Xe(1)- $F(5)^{e}$	91.6(1)	128.2	126.8	79.08(9)	82.2	78.3
F(3)Xe(1)-F(6) <sup>e</sup>	71.95(9)	71.8	72.4	129.45(8)	130.8	125.9
$F(3)$ Xe(1)- $F(7)^{e}$	104.9(1)	71.8	72.4	118.10(9)	112.2	117.8
$F(3)$ Xe(1)- $F(8)^{e}$	129.5(1)	128.2	126.8	72.96(8)	71.8	74.1
F(4)-Xe(1)-F(5)	79.5(1)	79.7	<b>7</b> 9.9	79.43(9)	80.1	80.3

Table 8.3. Experimental and Calculated Geometrical Parameters for  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$  and  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$ 

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79.5(1)	79.1	79.5	77.45(8)	<b>78</b> .0	79.0
79.8(1)	79.1	79.5	79.10(9)	80.4	80.4
79.2(1)	79.7	79.9	78.48(9)	78.6	79.2
86.3(1)	87.5	88.1	88.24(9)	89.9	86.8
158.9(1)	158.3	159.1	158.37(8)	160.0	160.6
91.3(1)	84.5	85.1	88.1(1)	87.9	89.8
86.3(1)	92.7	91.4	88.65(8)	90.6	91.0
158.6(1)	158.3	159.1	155.91(8)	156.6	158.2
88.3(1)	87.5	88.1	85.12(8)	83.8	85.1
			119.39(7)	117.2	131.2
			107.48(6)	107.0	102.1
			135.9(1)	129.3	152.2
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<sup>*a*</sup> See Figure 8.2a for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*b*</sup> See Figure 8.3a for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*c*</sup> The SDDall(-PP) basis set, augmented for F, O, and Xe with two d-type polarization functions, was used. <sup>*d*</sup> The Stuttgart basis set was used for Os with the f functional. The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets were used for all other atoms. <sup>*e*</sup> The atom labeling scheme refers to the structure of  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ . In the case of  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  the Xe(1)…F(3) notation should read as Xe(1)---F(3).



**Figure 8.1.** Depictions of (a) the structural unit in the X-ray crystal structure of  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] with thermal ellipsoids drawn at the 70% probability level, and (b) the primary and secondary coordination spheres of xenon in XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> showing the four secondary bonding interactions between xenon and the terminal fluorine atoms of  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup>.



**Figure 8.2.** Depictions of (a) the structural unit in the X-ray crystal structure of  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$  with thermal ellipsoids drawn at the 70% probability level, and (b) the primary and secondary coordination spheres of xenon in  $XeF_5^+$  showing the three secondary bonding interactions between xenon and the three facial fluorine atoms of  $OsO_3F_3^-$ .



Figure 8.3. Depictions of (a) the structural unit in the X-ray crystal structure of  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  with thermal ellipsoids drawn at the 70% probability level, and (b) the primary and secondary coordination spheres of xenon in the XeF<sub>5</sub>-units of Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup> showing the secondary bonding interactions between one oxygen atom and three fluorine atoms of OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> and one xenon atom of Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup>.

within adjacent columns in the *ab*-plane. The  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  ion pairs stack in layers along the *c*-axis (Figure F3) and are offset such that the anions and cations are alternately stacked one on top of each other along the *a*- and *b*-axes.

# 8.2.2.1. $OsO_3F_3^-$ and $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup>.

The primary coordination spheres of the osmium atoms in  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>], [XeF<sub>5</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>], and [Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] consist of three oxygen and three fluorine atoms in facial arrangements, providing distorted octahedral environments around the osmium atoms (Figures 8.1-8.3). The preference for the *fac*-trioxo arrangement has been previously discussed for other d<sup>0</sup> osmium trioxo-species such as  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ ,<sup>11</sup> OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-,23</sup>  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$ ·2XeOF<sub>4</sub>,<sup>18</sup> and [OsO<sub>3</sub>F][HF][SbF<sub>6</sub>].<sup>21</sup> The OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>-groups of  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> are symmetry related, and therefore only one OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>-group is discussed.

The  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] salt is the first example of the fluorine-bridged  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> anion (Figure 8.1a). The Os–O bond lengths are equal to within ±3 $\sigma$  (1.698(2), 1.701(2), 1.692(2) Å) and are similar to those of the OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> anion (vide infra). The F(3) atom bridges the OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>-groups, resulting in a bridge bond length (Os(1)---F(3), 2.1179(5) Å) that is similar to the Os---F bridge bond lengths in (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>∞</sub> (2.126(1), 2.108(1) Å)<sup>11</sup> and (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·2XeOF<sub>4</sub> (2.117(5), 2.107(4) Å).<sup>18</sup> The Os-F(1) and Os-F(2) bond lengths (1.978(1) and 1.962(1) Å, respectively) are significantly shorter than the Os-F bonds of the OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> anions in the Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup> and XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> salts (vide infra). When compared with other terminal Os-F bond lengths of the related fluorine-bridged species (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>∞</sub> (1.879(1) Å)<sup>11</sup> and (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> anions are elongated as a result of

increased negative charge on the oxygen ligands of the anions. The terminal fluorine atoms of  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup>, F(1)/F(1A) and F(2)/F(2A), form bridge contacts to xenon of the XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> cation, constraining the symmetry-related OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>2</sub>-equatorial planes of  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> so that they are eclipsed. Although the Os(1)---F(3)---Os(1A) bridge bond angle (155.5(1)°) is significantly bent, which allows the four fluorine ligands to chelate the XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> cation, it is significantly more open than in the related Os(VIII) compounds, (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>∞</sub> (143.9(2)°)<sup>11</sup> and (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·2XeOF<sub>4</sub> (109(1)°),<sup>18</sup> owing to the steric requirements of the XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> cation.

The geometrical parameters of the  $OsO_3F_3^-$  anions in the present study (Figures 8.2 and 8.3) are in good agreement with those reported for the K<sup>+26</sup> and N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+23</sup> salts. The Os–O bond lengths are equal, within ±3 $\sigma$ , for [Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] (1.703(2), 1.697(3) Å) and [XeF<sub>5</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] (1.701(3), 1.701(3), 1.692(3) Å), and are in good agreement with the values reported for [K][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] (1.698(2) Å, EXAFS),<sup>26</sup> [N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] (1.70(1)–1.73(1) Å),<sup>23</sup> (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub> $\infty$ </sub> (1.678(1)–1.727(1) Å),<sup>11</sup> and (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·2XeOF<sub>4</sub> (1.684(6)–1.703(6) Å).<sup>18</sup> The Os–F bond lengths of [Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] (2.004(2), 2.001(2) Å) and [XeF<sub>5</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] (2.011(2), 2.006(2), 2.028(2) Å) are also in good agreement with each other, but are somewhat elongated compared to those of [N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] (1.97(1), 1.91(1), 1.94(1) Å)<sup>23</sup> and [K][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] (1.919(15) Å),<sup>26</sup> which is attributed to significant Xe…F intra-ion pair contacts with the XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> and Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup> cations (vide infra).

The light atoms of  $OsO_3F_3^-$  and  $\mu$ -F( $OsO_3F_2$ )<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> form relatively undistorted octahedral coordination spheres about the osmium atoms (Figure 8.4) as shown by their



**Figure 8.4.** The primary coordination sphere formed by the light atoms of the  $OsO_3F_3$ -units in  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F( $OsO_3F_2)_2$ ],  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ , and  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$ .

nearest-neighbor inter-ligand atom contacts (Table F1). The displacements of the osmium atoms towards the centroid of the three facial oxygen atoms are similar to the metal atom displacements observed for other Os(VIII) compounds, which have been previously discussed in detail for  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ ,<sup>11</sup>  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$ ·2XeOF<sub>4</sub>,<sup>18</sup> and OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-.23</sup>

### 8.2.2.2. XeF5<sup>+</sup> and Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup>.

The XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> cations of  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)] (Figure 8.1) and  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ (Figure 8.2) are based on pseudo-octahedral AX<sub>5</sub>E VSEPR arrangements of bond pairs (X) and lone pairs (E) which give rise to a square-pyramidal geometry. The Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup> cation of  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  (Figure 8.3) is comprised of two XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> cations bridged by a common fluoride ion such that the trajectories of the fluorine bridge interactions with the xenon atoms approach opposite the axial fluorine ligands and from beneath the equatorial planes of the XeF<sub>5</sub>-groups so that the axial lone pairs of the xenon atoms are avoided. The four fluorine atoms that comprise the base of the square pyramid are coplanar within  $\pm 0.245$ ,  $\pm 0.004$ , and  $\pm 0.021$  Å in  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)],  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ , and  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$ , respectively, and the respective apical fluorine atoms are located 1.460, 1.478, and 1.461 Å above the equatorial plane and the xenon atoms lie 0.362, 0.341, and 0.369 Å below that plane.

The secondary bonding interactions that occur between the cations and anions in all three structures have contact distances that are significantly less than the sum of the xenon and fluorine van der Waals radii,<sup>165</sup> resulting in xenon atoms that are eight-coordinate in [XeF<sub>5</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] (Figure 8.2b) and nine-coordinate in [XeF<sub>5</sub>][ $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)] (Figure 8.1b) and [Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] (Figure 8.3b). The light atom interatomic distances

associated with the xenon coordination spheres are similar, with the distances between the apical fluorine and four equatorial fluorine atoms of the XeF<sub>5</sub>-groups being slightly shorter than the average F…F/O contact distances (Table F1). All secondary cation-anion contacts are between the fluorine atoms of the anion and the xenon atoms, except in the case of  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  where an oxygen atom of a neighboring  $OsO_3F_3^-$  anion in the unit cell provides an additional short contact to a xenon atom. The anion contacts in all three salts occur from beneath the equatorial planes of the XeF<sub>5</sub>-units so as to avoid the valence electron lone pair position in the manner described for  $[XeF_5][RuF_6]$ .<sup>93</sup>

The three long contacts to the XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> cation in [XeF<sub>5</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] occur through the facial fluorine atoms, F(1,2,3), of the anion (Figure 8.2b), forming a tripod beneath the square base of the XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> cation, having very similar Xe···F contact distances (2.514(2), 2.521(2), and 2.468(2) Å, respectively). The shortest contact, Xe(1)···F(3), is likely a consequence of crystal packing and is reflected in the longer Os–F(3) bond (2.028(2) Å) and shorter Os–O(3) bond (1.692(3) Å) that is trans to Os–F(3). The xenon atom is located 2.064 Å above the F(1,2,3)-plane which is parallel, to within ±5.2°, to the equatorial F(5,6,7,8)-plane of the XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> cation. Eight-coordinate xenon has also been observed in other XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> salts, e.g., [XeF<sub>5</sub>]<sub>2</sub>[PdF<sub>6</sub>],<sup>91</sup> [XeF<sub>5</sub>][AsF<sub>6</sub>],<sup>76</sup> and [XeF<sub>5</sub>]<sub>2</sub>[NiF<sub>6</sub>].<sup>88</sup> These examples also contain three long Xe···F cation-anion contacts that originate from within the ion pair.

Nine coordinate xenon atom of  $XeF_5^+$  in  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)] (Figure 8.1b) results from four short contacts with the terminal fluorine atoms of the anion (two from each OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>-group) which again contact xenon from beneath the square plane of the

cation and avoid the valence electron lone pair. The contact distances are comparable  $(Xe\cdots F(1,1A) (2.622(1) \text{ Å}) \text{ and } Xe\cdots F(2,2A) (2.663(1) \text{ Å}))$ , with the xenon atom located 1.909 Å above the plane defined by the four contacting atoms of the anion, F(1,1A,2,2A). The four contacting fluorine atoms are coplanar by symmetry and this plane is parallel  $(\pm 0.1^{\circ})$  to the equatorial F(5,5A,6,7)-plane of  $XeF_5^+$ .

The secondary contacts of the nine-coordinate xenon atoms of  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$ (Figure 8.3b), do not all originate from within the same ion pair. In the case of Xe(1), two contacts are with terminal fluorine atoms, F(1) and F(2), of the OsO\_3F\_3<sup>-</sup> anion, one is with the bridging F(3) atom of the Xe\_2F\_{11}<sup>+</sup> cation, and the remaining contact is with O(1B) (3.353(2) Å) of another OsO\_3F\_3<sup>-</sup> anion in the unit cell. The Xe(1)…F(2) contact distance (2.800(2) Å) is relatively long when compared with Xe(1)…F(1) (2.504(2) Å) because F(2) is equivalently coordinated to both Xe(1) and Xe(1A), whereas F(1) forms a single short contact with Xe(1). The Xe(1) atom is located 1.916 Å above the near parallelogram-shaped arrangement of F(1), F(2), F(3), O(1B) atoms, which are coplanar to within ±0.0260 Å and parallel to the F(5,6,7,8)-plane to within ±2.0°.

The planes of contacting atoms and the equatorial fluorine atoms of the XeF<sub>5</sub>-groups in [XeF<sub>5</sub>][ $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (Figure 8.1b) and [Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] (Figure 8.3b) have near-staggered conformations. The xenon coordination spheres may be described as distorted monocapped square antiprisms having dihedral angles between the basal fluorine atom planes of the XeF<sub>5</sub>-groups and planes of contacting atoms that are close to 45° (49.0° for the F(4,5,7)Xe(1)- and F(1,3,4)Xe(1)-planes and 42.9° for the O(1B)F(2,4)Xe(1)- and F(4,6,8)Xe(1)-planes of [Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>]; 41.4° for the

F(4,5,5A)Xe(1)- and F(1,2A,4)Xe(1)-planes and  $48.6^{\circ}$  for the F(1A,2,4)Xe(1)- and F(4,6,7)Xe(1)-planes of  $[XeF_5][\mu$ - $F(OsO_3F_2)_2]$ ). The near-staggered arrangements provide the closest packed arrangements for the fluorine atoms of the equatorial XeF<sub>4</sub>-planes and the light atoms that comprise the secondary coordination sphere. In contrast, the equatorial XeF<sub>4</sub>-planes of Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup> are eclipsed because they are constrained by symmetry.

Nine-coordinate xenon occurs in other  $XeF_5^+$  and  $Xe_2F_{11}^+$  salts, e.g.,  $[XeF_5][SbF_6]\cdot XeOF_4$ ,<sup>95</sup>  $[XeF_5][AsF_6]$ ,<sup>76</sup>  $[XeF_5][PtF_6]$ ,<sup>92</sup>  $[XeF_5][RuF_6]$ ,<sup>93</sup>  $[XeF_5][AgF_4]$ ,<sup>71</sup>  $[Xe_2F_{11}][AuF_6]$ ,<sup>80</sup> and  $[Xe_2F_{11}]_2[NiF_6]$ .<sup>89</sup> The xenon coordination in  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  is similar to that of the AuF<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup> salt where the secondary coordination sphere of xenon also arises from one inter- and two intra-ion pair contacts within the unit cell. The nine-coordination to xenon in  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)] is, however, unique because it is the only  $XeF_5^+$  salt known to have four secondary fluorine contacts to a  $XeF_5^+$  cation that originate solely from the anion of its ion pair.

With the exception of Xe(1)…F(2) in  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  (2.800(2) Å), the Xe…F contact distances in all three salts are shorter than those in  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$ ·2XeOF<sub>4</sub> (2.757(5) Å),<sup>18</sup> which is accompanied by significant charge transfer from the anion to the cation (see Section 8.2.4).

#### 8.2.3. Raman Spectroscopy.

The low-temperature Raman spectra of  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>],  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ , and  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  are shown in Figures 8.5-8.7, respectively. The observed and calculated frequencies and mode descriptions for  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>],  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ , and  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  are provided in Tables 8.4-8.6, respectively, where the atom numbering schemes are given in Figure 8.8. Spectral assignments for  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>],  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ , and  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  were made by comparison with the calculated frequencies and Raman intensities for the energy-minimized gasphase geometries of their ion pairs, which are in good agreement with experiment at the SVWN and B3LYP levels of theory.

Examination of Tables 8.4-8.6 reveals that several bands in the Raman spectra of  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>],  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ , and  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  are split into two bands. Factor-group analyses (Tables F2-F4) were therefore undertaken to account for these splittings, and are based on analyses of the ion pairs in the crystal structures of these salts.

The atomic positions of the xenon and osmium atoms in the crystal structures of  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  and  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO\_3F\_2)\_2] (see Section 8.2.2) reveal that the  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO\_3F\_2)\_2] and  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  ion pairs are located on mirror planes. Under  $C_s$  symmetries, all vibrational modes, 27A' + 24A'' for  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO\_3F\_2)\_2] and 29A' + 25A'' for  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$ , are predicted to be both infrared- and Raman-active. Correlations of the gas-phase ion-pair symmetries to the crystal site symmetries ( $C_s$ ) results in no additional splitting of the vibrational bands. Correlation of their site symmetries to the unit cell symmetry ( $D_{2h}$ ) results in equal apportioning of the A' vibrational modes between Raman-active Ag and B<sub>2g</sub> and infrared-active B<sub>1u</sub> and B<sub>3u</sub> symmetries and equal apportioning of the A'' vibrational modes between Raman-active A<sub>u</sub> and B<sub>2u</sub> symmetries for both salts (Table F2 and F4, respectively). Consequently, the vibrational bands in the Raman spectrum are predicted to be split, but this splitting is only resolved on two Raman bands of the [Xe\_2F\_{11}][OsO\_3F\_3]



**Figure 8.5.** Raman spectrum of  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] recorded at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation; the symbols denote FEP sample tube lines (\*) and an instrumental artifact (†).



Figure 8.6. Raman spectrum of  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$  recorded at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation; the symbols denote FEP sample tube lines (\*) and an instrumental artifact (†).



**Figure 8.7.** Raman spectrum of  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  recorded at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation; the symbols denote FEP sample tube lines (\*), an instrumental artifact (†), and overlap of a  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  line with a FEP sample tube line (§).

exptl <sup>a</sup>			assents $(C_{2\nu})^e$
	SVWN <sup>c</sup>	$B3LYP^{d}$	
957(100)	991(85)[21]	1027(124)[10]	$A_1, \nu(OsO_3) + \nu(Os'O_3')$
953(64)	986(2)[141]	1024(<0.1)[93]	$B_2, \nu(OsO_3) - \nu(Os'O_3')$
950(35)	981(82)[111]	1008(34)[165]	$A_1$ , $\nu(OsO_1) + \nu(OsO_2) + \nu(Os'O_1') + \nu(Os'O_2')$
945(31)	983(33)[152]	1006(34)[216]	$B_1, \left[\nu(OsO_1) + \nu(Os'O_1')\right] - \left[\nu(OsO_2) + \nu(Os'O_2')\right]$
942(20)	978(11)[0]	1003(8)[82]	$B_{2}, [v(OsO_{1}) + v(OsO_{2})] - [v(Os'O_{1}') + v(Os'O_{2}')]$
936(25) 933(sh)	979(5)[0]	1001(3)[0]	$A_{2}, \left[\nu(OsO_{1}) + \nu(Os'O_{2}')\right] - \left[\nu(OsO_{2}) + \nu(Os'O_{1}')\right]$
680(2)	630(10)[172]	637(7)[174]	$B_1, v(XeF_6) - v(XeF_7)$
664(2)	619(5)[204]	627(6)[186]	$B_2, v(XeF_5) - v(XeF_5')$
656(21)	622(58)[54]	621(87)[52]	$A_1$ , $\nu(XeF_4)$
646(3)	589(10)[209]	574(7)[80]	$A_1, \nu(XeF_4) + \nu(OsF_1) + \nu(OsF_2) + \nu(Os'F_1') + \nu(Os'F_2')$
612(10)	561(20)[34]	563(13)[44]	$A_1, v(XeF_6) + v(XeF_7)$
605(9)	573(2)[251]	551(3)[273]	$B_{2}, [\nu(OsF_{1}) + \nu(OsF_{2}) + \nu(OsF_{3})] - [\nu(Os'F_{1}') + \nu(Os'F_{2}') + \nu(Os'F_{3})]$
596(5)	552(41)[68]	550(42)[168]	$A_1, v(XeF_5) + v(XeF_5')$
550(8)	497(1)[7]	470(1)[15]	$B_1, \left[\nu(\mathrm{OsF}_1) + \nu(\mathrm{Os'F}_1')\right] - \left[\nu(\mathrm{OsF}_2) + \nu(\mathrm{Os'F}_2')\right]$
480(<1)	477(1)[0]	454(1)[0]	$A_{2}, [\nu(OsF_{1}) + \nu(OsF_{2}')] - [\nu(OsF_{2}) + \nu(OsF_{1}')]$
441(1)	473(<1)[21]	452(<1)[25]	$B_2, \nu(OsF_3) - \nu(Os'F_3)$
433(1)	398(5)[47]	406(6)[1]	$A_1, \delta(F_1 OsF_2) + \delta(F_1' Os'F_2') + [\delta(O_1 OsO_2) + \delta(O_1' Os'O_2')]_{small}$
409(2)	387(1)[25]	404(2)[7]	$B_2, \left[\delta(O_1OsO_2) + \delta(F_1OsF_2)\right] - \left[\delta(O_1'Os'O_2') + \delta(F_1'Os'F_2')\right]$
405(4)	375(<1)[5]	399(<1)[6]	$B_1, \rho_t(O_1O_SO_2) + \delta(O_1O_SO_3) + \rho_t(O_1'O_S'O_2') + \delta(O_1'O_S'O_3')$
398(14)	371(2)[1]	398(1)[2]	$A_1,  \delta_{umb}(OsO_1O_2O_3) + \delta_{umb}(Os'O_1'O_2'O_3')$
390(31)	371(9)[0]	395(8)[0]	$A_2, \left[\rho_t(O_1 O s O_2) + \delta(O_1 O s O_3)\right] - \left[\rho_t(O_1' O s' O_2') + \delta(O_1' O s' O_3')\right]$
	367(3)[19]	394(<1)[29]	B <sub>2</sub> , $\delta_{umb}(OsO_1O_2O_3) - \delta_{umb}(Os'O_1'O_2'O_3')$
382(2)	361(2)[1]	387(3)[23]	$B_2, \delta(F_4XeF_5) - \delta(F_4XeF_5')$
374(1)	350(1)[6]	371(1)[8]	$B_1, \delta(F_4 X e F_6) - \delta(F_4 X e F_7)$
342(1)	362(3)[41]	368(1)[32]	$A_1, \delta(O_1OsO_2) + \delta(O_1'Os'O_2') + \nu(OsF_3) + \nu(Os'F_3)$
	337(<1)[<1]	337(1)[72]	$A_1, \delta_{umb}(XeF_1F_2F_1'F_2') + \delta(F_5XeF_5') - [\nu(OsF_3) + \nu(Os'F_3)]$
327(2)	331(1)[9]	328(4)[13]	$B_{2}, \left[\delta(O_{1}OsO_{2}) + \delta(F_{1}'Os'F_{2}')\right] - \left[\delta(O_{1}'Os'O_{2}') + \delta(F_{1}OsF_{2})\right]$
315(1)	313(1)[78]	320(<1)[92]	$A_1, \rho_w(F_5 XeF_5) + \rho_w(F_6 XeF_7) + \nu(OsF_3) + \nu(OsF_3)$
	314(<1)[16]	319(<1)[20]	$B_1, \rho_t(O_1O_SO_2) + \rho_t(O_1'O_S'O_2') + \rho_t(F_1O_SF_2) + \rho_t(F_1'O_S'F_2') + \delta(O_SF_3O_S')$
301(2)	290(1)[0]	281(1)[<0.1]	$A_{2}, \rho_{t}(O_{1}OsO_{2}) + \rho_{r}(F_{1}OsF_{2}) - [\rho_{t}(O_{1}'Os'O_{2}') + \rho_{r}(F_{1}'Os'F_{2}')]$
288(2)	266(2)[18]	267(1)[4]	$A_1, \delta(O_3O_3F_3) + \delta(O_3'O_3'F_3)$
274(4)	247(1)[0]	267(1)[0]	$A_{2}, \delta(F_{5}XeF_{7}) + \delta(F_{6}XeF_{5}')$
268(sh)	287(<1)[1]	259(<1)[8]	$B_1, \delta(F_1XeF_1') - \delta(F_2XeF_2') + \delta(OsF_3Os')$

**Table 8.4.** Experimental Raman and Calculated Frequencies, Intensities, and Assignments for  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]

262(1) 245(1) 224(1) 217(1) 207(<1) 177(2) 165(<1) 150(1) 136(1) 130(1) 121(1) 114(1) 92(sh)	$\begin{array}{c} 262(1)[51]\\ 241(<1)[<1]\\ 212(<0.1)[<1]\\ 180(<0.1)[<1]\\ 183(<1)[0]\\ 172(<1)[<0.1]\\ 140(<1)[4]\\ 154(8)[2]\\ 130(<1)[0]\\ 123(1)[2]\\ 124(1)[<0.1]\\ 127(<1)[<0.1]\\ 105(<1)[1]\\ 95(<0.1)[0]\\ 99(<0.1)[<0.1]\\ 69(<0.1)[<1]\\ 59(<0.1)[<0.1]\\ 72(<0.1)[<0.1]\\ 72(<0.1)[0]\\ \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 258(1)[75]\\ 249(<0.1)[<0.1]\\ 217(<0.1)[<0.1]\\ 198(<0.1)[1]\\ 190(<0.1)[0]\\ 185(<1)[<0.1]\\ 140(1)[8]\\ 132(1)[13]\\ 129(<0.1)[0]\\ 114(<1)[2]\\ 106(1)[<0.1]\\ 110(<1)[<0.1]\\ 110(<1)[<0.1]\\ 93(<1)[6]\\ 81(<0.1)[0]\\ 63(<0.1)[<1]\\ 57(<0.1)[<1]\\ 47(<0.1)[1]\\ 33(<0.1)[0] \end{array}$	} } }	$\begin{split} & B_{2}, \rho_{w}(F_{1}OSF_{2}) + \rho_{w}(F_{1}'OS'F_{2}') \\ & A_{1}, \rho_{t}(F_{5}XEF_{6}) + \rho_{t}(F_{5}'XEF_{7}) \\ & B_{1}, \rho_{w}(F_{5}XEF_{5}') + \delta(OSF_{3}OS') + \rho_{t}(F_{1}OSF_{2}) - \rho_{t}(F_{1}'OSF_{2}') \\ & B_{2}, \delta(F_{6}XEF_{7}) \\ & A_{2}, \rho_{t}(F_{1}OSF_{2}) + \rho_{t}(F_{2}'OS'F_{1}') \\ & B_{1}, B_{2}, [XeF_{5}][\mu-F(OSO_{3}F_{2})] \text{ def.} \\ & A_{1}, [XeF_{5}][\mu-F(OSO_{3}F_{2})] \text{ breathing mode} \\ & A_{2}, \mu-F(OSO_{3}F_{2})^{-} \text{ def.} \\ & B_{2}, [XeF_{5}][\mu-F(OSO_{3}F_{2})] \text{ def.} \\ & B_{1}, \mu-F(OSO_{3}F_{2})^{-} \text{ breathing mode} \\ & A_{1}, \rho_{t}(F_{4}XeF_{6}) + \rho_{t}(F_{4}XeF_{7}) \\ & A_{1}, [XeF_{5}][\mu-F(OSO_{3}F_{2})] \text{ breathing mode} \\ & A_{2}, [XeF_{5}][\mu-F(OSO_{3}F_{2})] \text{ def.} \\ & B_{1}, \mu-F(OSO_{3}F_{2}) \text{ def.} \\ & B_{1}, \mu-F(OSO_{3}F_{2}) \text{ def.} \\ \end{array}$
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<sup>*a*</sup> The Raman spectrum was recorded on a microcrystalline solid sample in a FEP tube at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation. Experimental Raman intensities are given in parentheses and are relative intensities with the most intense band given as 100. The abbreviations denote shoulder (sh). <sup>*b*</sup> Values in parentheses denote calculated Raman intensities (Å<sup>4</sup> u<sup>-1</sup>) and values in square brackets denote calculated infrared intensities (km mol<sup>-1</sup>). <sup>*c*</sup> SVWN/SDDall(-PP). <sup>*d*</sup> B3LYP/Stuttgart (Os) aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) (Xe, O, F) <sup>*e*</sup> Assignments are for the energy-minimized geometry calculated at the SVWN level of theory. See Figure 8.8a for the atom labeling scheme. The symbols denote stretch (v), bend ( $\delta$ ), twist ( $\rho_t$ ), rock ( $\rho_r$ ), wag ( $\rho_w$ ), and umbrella ( $\delta_{umb}$ ). The abbreviation, def., denotes a deformation mode.

**Table 8.5.** Experimental Raman and Calculated Frequencies, Intensities, and<br/>Assignments for  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ 

expt1 <sup>a</sup>	calcd <sup>b</sup>		assgnts ( $C_s$ )
	SVWN	B3LYP <sup>₄</sup>	• • •
955(12), 951(sh)	986(22)[84]	1008(23)[120]	$A'', \nu(OsO_1) - \nu(OsO_2)$
948(100), 946(sh)	983(55)[51]	1025(59)[53]	A', $v(OsO_1) + v(OsO_2) + v(OsO_3)$
940(39)	985(27)[81]	1006(20)[120]	A', $v(OsO_1) + v(OsO_2) - v(OsO_3)$
654(sh), 652(4)	625(8)[202]	621(8)[208]	A", $[v(XeF_5) + v(XeF_6)] - [v(XeF_7) + v(XeF_8)]$
670(32)	624(11)[197]	620(7)[204]	A', $[v(XeF_5) + v(XeF_8)] - [v(XeF_6) + v(XeF_7)]$
660(53)	622(58)[148]	619(86)[120]	A', $v(XeF_4)$
617(11), 615(10)	572(16)[12]	569(22)[6]	A', $v(XeF_4) - [v(XeF_5) + v(XeF_6) + v(XeF_7) + v(XeF_8)]$
599(44)	556(13)[<0.1]	551(16)[<0.1]	A", $[v(XeF_5) + v(XeF_7)] - [v(XeF_6) + v(XeF_8)]$
585(27)	551(20)[149]	537(13)[171]	A', $v(OsF_1) + v(OsF_2) + v(OsF_3)$
457(5)	458(2)[7]	443(2)[12]	A', $[v(OsF_1) + v(OsF_2)] - v(OsF_3)$
447(3)	445(2)[7]	419(3)[7]	$A'', v(OsF_1) - v(OsF_2)$
411(3)	374(3)[4]	397(3)[3]	A", $\rho_1(O_1O_SO_3) - \delta(O_2O_SO_3)$
402(4)	364(2)[25]	396(3)[3]	A', $\delta_{umb}(OsO_1O_2O_3)$
390(14), 386(18)	371(3)[4]	393(4)[5]	$A', \delta(O_1 O s O_2)$
380(12)	399(1)[195]	370(1)[181]	A', $v(Xe\cdots F_1) + v(Xe\cdots F_2) + v(Xe\cdots F_3)$
369(3)	336(2)[6]	361(1)[7]	A", $\delta(F_4 X e F_5 F_6) - \rho_w(F_7 X e F_8)$
	333(2)[7]	360(1)[19]	A', $\delta(F_4XeF_5F_8) - \rho_w(F_6XeF_7)$
291(6)	289(2)[31]	318(3)[61]	A', $\delta_{\text{umb}}(\text{XeF}_5\text{F}_6\text{F}_7\text{F}_8)$
299(3)	314(<1)[5]	305(<1)[19]	A", $\rho_t(O_2O_3O_3) + \rho_t(F_1XeF_2) + \rho_t(F_2XeF_3)$
	277(<1)[6]	292(<1)[30]	A', $\rho_w(F_1OsF_2) - [\delta(O_3OsF_3) + \rho_w(O_1OsO_2)]$
	284(<1)[6]	282(1)[1]	A", $\rho_t(F_1 OsF_2) + \rho_w(F_1 OsF_3)$
280(6)	309(2)[12]	278(1)[2]	A', $\delta(F_1 OsF_2) + \delta(F_3 OsO_3) + v(XeF_3)$
213(1)	234(2)[<1]	257(2)[<1]	$A', \delta(F_5 X e F_8) + \delta(F_6 X e F_7)$
	219(<0.1)[<0.1]	231(<0.1)[<0.1]	A", $\rho_t(F_5XeF_6) + \rho_t(F_7XeF_8)$
195(2)	172(<1)[<1]	191(<1)[<1]	$A^{*}, \ \delta(F_5 X e F_6) - \delta(F_7 X e F_8)$
146(2)	167(1)[1]	183(<1)[<1]	$A', \delta(F_5 X e F_8) - \delta(F_6 X e F_7)$
	147(<0.1)[<0.1]	163(<0.1)[<0.1]	A", $\rho_{\text{twist}}(\text{OsO}_1\text{O}_2\text{O}_3) - \rho_{\text{twist}}(\text{OsF}_1\text{F}_2\text{F}_3)$
130(1)	149(2)[4]	133(1)[13]	A', $[XeF_3][OsO_3F_3]$ breathing
120(2)	112(<1)[<0.1]	112(<1)[<0.1]	A", $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ def.
	102(<1)[<1]	103(<1)[1]	A', $\rho_w(F_4XeF_5F_8) + \rho_w(F_6XeF_7)$
	88(<0.1)[<0.1]	08(<0.1)[<1] 50(<0.1)[<1]	$A^{\prime\prime}, \rho_t(U_1 \cup SU_2) + \rho_t(F_1 \cup SF_2) + \rho_t(U_3 \cup SF_3)$
	0>(≤1)[≤0.1] 7(<0.1)[<0.1]	>U(≦U,1)[≤1] 21(≤0,1)[≤0,1]	A, $\rho_{W}(U_1 \cup S \cup_2) + \rho_{H}(U_3 \cup SF_3) - \rho_{W}(F_1 \cup SF_2)$ A" [Var HOAD F ] daf
	/(~0.1)[~0.1]	21(~0.1)[~0.1]	$A, [Aer_5][0s0_3r_3] uet.$

<sup>*a*</sup> The Raman spectrum was recorded on a microcrystalline solid sample in a FEP tube at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation. Experimental Raman intensities are given in parentheses and are relative intensities with the most intense band given as 100. The abbreviations denote shoulder (sh). Bands were also observed at 536(6) and 639(7) cm<sup>-1</sup> but were not assigned. <sup>*b*</sup> Values in parentheses denote calculated Raman intensities (Å<sup>4</sup> u<sup>-1</sup>) and values in square brackets denote calculated infrared intensities (km mol<sup>-1</sup>). <sup>*c*</sup> SVWN/SDDall(-PP). <sup>*d*</sup> B3LYP/Stuttgart (Os) aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) (Xe, O, F). <sup>*e*</sup> Assignments are for the energy-minimized geometry calculated at the B3LYP level of theory. See Figure 8.8b for the atom labeling scheme. The symbols denote stretch (v), bend ( $\delta$ ), twist ( $\rho_t$ ), rock ( $\rho_r$ ), wag ( $\rho_w$ ), and umbrella ( $\delta_{umb}$ ). The abbreviation, def., denotes a deformation mode.

$exptl^{a}$	C	$alcd^b$	assents $(C_s)^e$			
-	SVWN <sup>c</sup>	B3LYP <sup>d</sup>				
945(49)	982(59)[43]	1023(58)[50]	$A', \nu(OsO_1) + \nu(OsO_2) + \nu(OsO_1')$			
942(21)	983(13)[81]	1006(19)[132]	$A'', v(OsO_1) - v(OsO_1')$			
936(24) 933(sh)	986(33)[76]	1001(21)[111]	A', $v(OsO_1) + v(OsO_1') - v(OsO_2)$			
	635(8)[248]	622(28)[251]	$A'_{1} [v(Xe_{1}F_{5}) + v(Xe_{1}F_{5})] - [v(Xe_{1}F_{7}) + v(Xe_{1}F_{7})]$			
656(100)	624(105)[192]	620(131)[134]	A', $v(Xe_1F_4) + v(Xe_1F_5) + v(Xe_1F_6) + v(Xe_1F_4') + v(Xe_1'F_5') + v(Xe_1'F_6')$			
635(28)	626(23)[283]	615(39)[399]	A', $[v(Xe_1F_4) + v(Xe_1F_6) + v(Xe_1'F_4') + v(Xe_1'F_6')] - [v(Xe_1F_8) + v(Xe_1'F_8')]$			
620(8)	613(12)[37]	609(25)[14]	$A'', [v(Xe_1F_4) + v(Xe_1F_5)] - [v(Xe_1'F_4') + v(Xe_1'F_5')]$			
613(6)	612(21)[196]	607(14)[121]	$\begin{cases} A'', [v(Xe_1F_4) + v(Xe_1F_7) + v(Xe_1F_8) + v(Xe_1'F_5') + v(Xe_1'F_6')] - \\ [v(Xe_1F_4) + v(Xe_2F_4) + v(Xe_2'F_4') + v(Xe_2'F_5') + v(Xe_3'F_6')] \end{cases}$			
	604(6)[147]	599(1)[192]	$A''_{1} [v(Xe_{1}F_{4}) + v(Xe_{1}F_{4}) + v(Xe_{1}'F_{2}')] - [v(Xe_{1}F_{6}) + v(Xe_{1}'F_{4}') + v(Xe_{1}'F_{4}')]$			
	569(3)[<1]	568(7)[11]	$A'', [v(Xe_1F_3)] + v(Xe_1F_5) + v(Xe_1F_6) + v(Xe_1F_7)] - [v(Xe_1'F_3) + v(Xe_1'F_5') + v(Xe_1'F_6') + v(Xe_1'F_7')]$			
501(11)	(71)	5(7(00)[50]	$\int A', [v(OsF_1) + v(OsF_2) + v(OsF_1') + v(Xe_1F_4) + v(Xe_1'F_4')] -$			
591(44)	5/3(22)[33]	30/(20)[52]	$ \left[ v(Xe_1F_5) + v(Xe_1F_6) + v(Xe_1F_7) + v(Xe_8) + v(Xe_1'F_5') + v(Xe_1'F_6') + v(Xe_1'F_7') + v(Xe_1'F_8') \right] $			
585(27)	529(33)[109]	551(21)[111]	$A', \nu(OsF_2)$			
580(27)	554(13)[29]	544(23)[3]	$A', [\nu(Xe_1F_5) + \nu(Xe_1F_7) + \nu(Xe_1'F_5') + \nu(Xe_1'F_7')] - [\nu(Xe_1F_6) + \nu(Xe_1F_8) + \nu(Xe_1'F_6') + \nu(Xe_1'F_8')]$			
	549(5)[<0.1]	542(8)[<1]	$A'', [v(Xe_1F_5) + v(Xe_1F_7) + v(Xe_1'F_6') + v(Xe_1'F_8')] - [v(Xe_1F_6) + v(Xe_1F_8) + v(Xe_1'F_5') + v(Xe_1'F_7')]$			
448(1)	435(2)[3]	434(3)[137]	$A', \nu(OsF_1) + \nu(OsF_1') - \nu(OsF_2)$			
426(2) 422(3)	453(<1)[113]	412(2)[95]	$A'', \nu(OsF_1) - \nu(OsF_1') + \rho_t(O_1OsO_1') + \delta(O_2OsO_1')$			
401(3)	379(3)[32]	400(2)[4]	A', $\rho_{w}(O_{1}OsO_{1}') + \rho_{c}(O_{2}OsF_{2})$			
386(30)	381(4)[3]	394(4)[23]	$A', \delta(O_1OsO_1')$			
381(7)	384(4)[110]	388(1)[80]	$A'', \rho_t(O_1OsO_1') + \rho_t(F_1OsF_1') - \rho_t(O_2OsF_2)$			
369(2)	344(1)[3]	366(<1)[13]	$A', [\delta(F_4Xe_1F_6) + \delta(F_4'Xe_1'F_6')] - [\delta(F_4Xe_1F_6) + \delta(F_4'Xe_1'F_6')]$			
	342(1)[61]	365(1)[4]	$A'', [\delta(F_3Xe_1F_8) + \delta(F_4Xe_1F_6)] - [\delta(F_3Xe_1'F_8') + \delta(F_4'Xe_1'F_6')]$			
	362(1)[37]	349(<1)[39]	A', $\delta(OsF_1F_2F_1')$			
	319(<1)[8]	347(<1)[62]	$A'', [\delta(F_4Xe_1F_7) + \delta(F_3Xe_1F_5)] - [\delta(F_3'Xe_1'F_5') + \delta(F_4'Xe_1'F_7')]$			
347(2)	322(3)[7]	344(1)[1]	$A', [\delta(F_4Xe_1F_5) + \delta(F_4'Xe_1'F_5')] - [\delta(F_4Xe_1F_7) + \delta(F_4'Xe_1'F_7')]$			
	370(2)[132]	329(<0.1)[268]	$A'', v(XeF_3) - v(Xe_1'F_3) + \rho_t(F_1OsF_1') + \rho_w(F_2OsO_2)$			
	335(2)[9]	322(7)[12]	$A', \delta_{urmb}(Xe_1F_{4e}) + \delta_{urmb}(Xe_1'F_{4e'}) + \nu(Xe_1F_3) + \nu(Xe_1'F_3')$			
	308(2)[18]	312(1)[92]	A", $\delta_{umb}(Xe_1F_{4e}) - \delta_{umb}(Xe_1'F_{4e'})$			
306(3)	313(4)[11]	299(6)[19]	$A', \delta(F_1OsF_1') + \delta(F_2OsO_2)$			
	300(<1)[26]	276(<1)[118]	A', $\nu(Xe_1F_3) - \nu(Xe_1'F_3) + \rho_1(O_1OsO_1') + \rho_1(F_1OsF_1')$			
	284(2)[28]	257(1)[7]	A', $\rho_{w}(F_{3}Xe_{1}F_{7}) + \rho_{w}(F_{3}Xe_{1}'F_{7}') + \delta_{r}(F_{1}OsF_{1}')$			
269(2)	254(1)[7]	256(4)[13]	$A', \delta(F_5Xe_1F_8) + \delta(F_6Xe_1F_7) + \delta(F_5'Xe_1'F_8') + \delta(F_6'Xe_1'F_7') + \delta(Xe_1F_3Xe_1')$			
242(1)	265(2)[46]	251(4)[9]	$A'', [(\delta(F_5Xe_1F_8) + \delta(F_6Xe_1F_7)] - [\delta(F_5'Xe_1'F_8') + \delta(F_6'Xe_1'F_7')] + \rho_w(F_1OsF_2)$			
	239(<0.1)[<1]	241(<1)[9]	$A'', Xe_2F_{11}^+ def.$			

Table 8.6. Experimental Raman and Calculated Frequencies, Intensities, and Assignments for [Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>]

	237(2)[1]	237(1)[2]	$A', \delta(F_1OsF_1') - \delta(O_2OsF_2) + \rho_1(F_5Xe_1F_6) + \rho_w(F_5'Xe_1'F_6') + \delta(Xe_1F_3Xe_1')$
	224(1)[<1]	224(1)[16]	A', $\delta(O_2OsF_2) - \delta(F_1OsF_1') + \delta(F_6Xe_1F_7) + \delta(F_6'Xe_1'F_7') + \delta(Xe_1F_3Xe_1')$
	212(<0.1)[2]	216(<1)[7]	$A'', Xe_2F_{11}^+$ def.
203(1)	205(<1)[1]	202(1)[15]	A", $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$ def.
	196(1)[3]	197(<0.1)[<1]	A', $[\delta(F_5Xe_1F_6) + \delta(F_5'Xe_1'F_6')] - [\delta(F_7Xe_1F_8) + \delta(F_7'Xe_1'F_8')] + [\rho_w(F_3Xe_1F_4) + \rho_w(F_3Xe_1'F_4')]$
	176(<1)[1]	194(<1)[<0.1]	A'', $[\rho_w(F_4Xe_1F_6) + \rho_t(F_5Xe_1F_7)] - [\rho_w(F_4'Xe_1'F_6') + \rho_t(F_5'Xe_1'F_7')]$
	153(<1)[<1]	171(<0.1)[<1]	$A''$ , $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$ def.
167(1)	153(2)[1]	170(<1)[1]	A', $\rho_w(F_6Xe_1F_8) - \rho_w(F_6'Xe_1'F_8') + \delta(F_3Xe_1F_7) - \delta(F_3Xe_1'F_7')$
	167(1)[1]	147(2)[1]	A', $Xe_2F_{11}^+$ def.
135(1)	133(<1)[1]	134(1)[12]	A', $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$ breathing
	124(<1)[4]	115(1)[5]	)
110(4)	124(1)[1]	100(1)[1]	
	104(<1)[<1]	97(1)[<0.1]	
	111(<1)[<0.1]	91(1)[1]	
	112(<1)[<0.1]	73(<1)[1]	
	89(<1)[<1]	66(<1)[<1]	$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} [Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3] \text{ def.} \end{array} \right.$
	45(<0.1)[<0.1]	60(<1)[<1]	
	25(<1)[<0.1]	44(<0.1)[<1]	
	96(<1)[<1]	34(<0.1)[<0.1]	
	77(1)[<0.1]	30(1)[<1]	
	63(<0.1)[<0.1]	15(<0.1)[<0.1]	)

<sup>*a*</sup> The Raman spectrum was recorded on a microcrystalline sample in a FEP sample tube at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation. Experimental Raman intensities are given in parentheses and are relative intensities with the most intense band given as 100. The abbreviations denote shoulder (sh). A band was also observed at 523(6) cm<sup>-1</sup> but was not assigned. <sup>*b*</sup> Values in parentheses denote calculated Raman intensities (Å<sup>4</sup> u<sup>-1</sup>) and values in square brackets denote calculated infrared intensities (km mol<sup>-1</sup>). <sup>*c*</sup> SVWN/SDDall(-PP). <sup>*d*</sup> B3LYP/Stuttgart (Os) aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) (Xe, O, F) <sup>*e*</sup> Assignments are for the energy-minimized geometry calculated at the B3LYP level of theory. See Figure 8.8c for the atom labeling scheme. The symbols denote stretch (v), bend ( $\delta$ ), twist ( $\rho_t$ ), rock ( $\rho_r$ ), wag ( $\rho_w$ ), umbrella ( $\delta_{umb}$ ), and F<sub>5</sub>, F<sub>6</sub>, F<sub>7</sub>, F<sub>8</sub> (F<sub>4e</sub>). The abbreviation, def., denotes a deformation mode. <sup>*f*</sup> The band overlaps with a FEP sample tube band, the intensity is not corrected.



**Figure 8.8.** Calculated gas-phase geometries at the B3LYP level of theory for (a)  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (C<sub>2ν</sub>), (b)  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$  (C<sub>s</sub>), and (c)  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  (C<sub>s</sub>).

salt, namely, 933/936 and 422/426 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

All vibrational modes of  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$  (19A' + 14A") are predicted to be both infrared- and Raman-active under  $C_s$  symmetry. Correlation of the gas-phase ion-pair symmetry of  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$  ( $C_s$ ) to the crystal site symmetry ( $C_1$ ) results in lowering of the A' and A" symmetries to A symmetry, and correlation of the site symmetry to the unit cell symmetry ( $C_{4h}$  with Z = 4) results in equal apportioning of the vibrational modes among the Raman-active Ag, Bg, and Eg symmetries and infrared-active Au, Bu, and Eu symmetries (Table F3). Therefore, each Raman band is predicted to be factor-group split into Ag, Bg, and Eg components. These splittings are only manifested for the bands at 951/955, 946/948, 652/654, 615/617, and 386/390 cm<sup>-1</sup>, with the third component remaining unresolved.

The mode descriptions provided in Tables 8.4-8.6 show that the cation and anion modes are, for the most part, weakly coupled within their respective ion pairs, with the low-frequency deformation modes displaying the greatest degree of coupling.

#### 8.2.3.1 $OsO_3F_3^-$ and $\mu$ -F(OsO\_3F\_2)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup>.

The vibrational modes of  $OsO_3F_3^-$  in  $[N(CH_3)_4][OsO_3F_3]$  have been previously assigned under  $C_{3\nu}$  symmetry, consistent with a weakly ion-paired anion.<sup>23</sup> The present assignments for  $OsO_3F_3^-$  in the  $XeF_5^+$  and  $Xe_2F_{11}^+$  salts are in overall good agreement with the previous assignments, however, strong cation-anion fluorine bridge contacts result in significant vibrational coupling between the anion and the cation modes. These differences are the main focus of the ensuing discussion.

The Os–O stretching frequencies of  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (933–957 cm<sup>-1</sup>),  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$  (940–955 cm<sup>-1</sup>), and  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  (933–945 cm<sup>-1</sup>) are shifted to higher frequencies when compared with those of the  $OsO_3F_3^-$  anion in [M][OsO\_3F\_3] (M =  $N(CH_3)_4^+$  [908–920 cm<sup>-1</sup>];<sup>23</sup> NO<sup>+</sup> [920–934 cm<sup>-1</sup>];<sup>23</sup> Cs<sup>+</sup> [915–932 cm<sup>-1</sup>];<sup>24</sup> Rb<sup>+</sup> [918– 928 cm<sup>-1</sup>];<sup>24</sup> K<sup>+</sup> [916–932 cm<sup>-1</sup>];<sup>24</sup> and Na<sup>+</sup> [920–935 cm<sup>-1</sup>]<sup>24</sup>). The high-frequency shifts are in accordance with the presence of several short cation-anion contacts that withdraw negative charge from the anion, leading to more covalent Os-O bonds than in the  $N(CH_3)_4^+$ , NO<sup>+</sup>, and the alkali metal salts. The Os–O stretching modes of [XeF<sub>5</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] are shifted to somewhat higher frequencies than those of  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  because secondary bonding interactions with the smaller  $XeF_5^+$  cation are stronger than with the more weakly Lewis acidic  $Xe_2F_{11}^+$  cation (see Section 8.2.2). As expected, the Os–O stretching region of  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> is more complex than that of OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> because of vibrational coupling between the two  $OsO_3F_3$ -units. The frequencies of  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> are in better agreement with those of their counterparts in the neutral species  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  $(934-957 \text{ cm}^{-1})$ ,  $^{14, 17, 18}$   $(OsO_3F_2)_2$   $(937-955 \text{ cm}^{-1})$ ,  $^{18}$  and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  (940-962 cm<sup>-1</sup>),<sup>18</sup> than with those of  $OsO_3F_3^-$  (Tables 8.5 and 8.6) owing to greater dispersion of negative charge in  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup>.

The frequency ranges associated with the terminal Os–F stretching modes of  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (480–646 cm<sup>-1</sup>),  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$  (447–585 cm<sup>-1</sup>), and  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  (422–591 cm<sup>-1</sup>) salts are similar to the Os–F stretching frequencies of the OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> anion in its [M][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] salts (M = N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> [504, 573 cm<sup>-1</sup>];<sup>23</sup> NO<sup>+</sup> [555 cm<sup>-1</sup>];<sup>23</sup> Cs<sup>+</sup> [482, 565 cm<sup>-1</sup>];<sup>24</sup> Rb<sup>+</sup> [490, 568 cm<sup>-1</sup>];<sup>24</sup> K<sup>+</sup> [478, 490, 570 cm<sup>-1</sup>];<sup>24</sup> Na<sup>+</sup>

[460, 490, 580 cm<sup>-1</sup>]<sup>24</sup>), and occur at lower frequencies than those of the neutral species,  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  [596, 610 cm<sup>-1</sup>] and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  [604 cm<sup>-1</sup>].<sup>18</sup> The 646 ([XeF\_5][ $\mu$ -F(OsO\_3F\_2)\_2]) and 591 ([Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>]) cm<sup>-1</sup> bands involve coupled terminal Os–F and Xe–F stretches which result in shifts to higher frequency when compared with the pure terminal Os–F stretching frequencies of [XeF<sub>5</sub>][ $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] and [Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>].

The symmetric Os–F stretches of the terminal OsF<sub>2</sub> groups of  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (646 cm<sup>-1</sup>) are in-phase coupled with the axial Xe–F stretch which is shifted to significantly higher frequency than the symmetric Os–F stretch of  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$  (585 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  (591 cm<sup>-1</sup>). The in-phase terminal Os–F stretch of  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  is weakly coupled to all of the terminal Xe–F stretches of the Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup> cation whereas the symmetric Os–F stretch of the OsF<sub>3</sub> moiety of  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$  is not significantly coupled to any other mode, and is in good agreement with the symmetric terminal Os–F stretching modes of  $[N(CH_3)_4][OsO_3F_3]$  (573 cm<sup>-1</sup>),<sup>23</sup>  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  (596 cm<sup>-1</sup>),<sup>18</sup> and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  (604 cm<sup>-1</sup>).<sup>18</sup>

The asymmetric fluorine bridge stretching mode,  $v(OsF_3) - v(Os'F_3)$  (441 cm<sup>-1</sup>), of the  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> anion is not significantly coupled to any other mode and is comparable to the two asymmetric fluorine bridge stretching modes of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  (404, 413 cm<sup>-1</sup>).<sup>18</sup> Upon anion formation, a shift to lower frequency relative to those of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  would be expected for this mode, however, this is not observed and can be attributed to significant withdrawal of electron density from F<sub>1</sub> and F<sub>2</sub> by the XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> cation which strengthens the Os---F bridge bonds. In contrast, the symmetric  $v(OsF_3) + v(Os'F_3)$ stretch is in-phase coupled to the  $\rho_w(F_5'XeF_5) + \rho_w(F_6XeF_7)$  bending mode (313 [SVWN] and 320 [B3LYP] cm<sup>-1</sup>) and is out-of-phase coupled to the  $\delta_{umb}(XeF_1F_2F_1'F_2') + \delta(F_5XeF_5')$  (337 [SVWN], 337 [B3LYP] cm<sup>-1</sup>) bending mode of  $XeF_5^+$ . Only the in-phase coupled mode was observed at 315 cm<sup>-1</sup>. The v(OsF<sub>3</sub>) + v(Os'F<sub>3</sub>) stretch is also in-phase coupled to the  $\delta(O_1OsO_2) + \delta(O_1'Os'O_2')$  mode of  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> (342 cm<sup>-1</sup>). These modes are shifted to lower frequency than the pure v(OsF<sub>3</sub>) – v(Os'F<sub>3</sub>) mode as a consequence of coupling with lower frequency OOsO deformation modes.

The asymmetric  $v(OsF_1) + v(OsF_2) - v(OsF_3)$  modes of  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$  (457 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  (448 cm<sup>-1</sup>) have similar frequencies and are not significantly coupled to other vibrational modes. The  $v(OsF_1) - v(OsF_2)$  stretching mode of  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$  (447 cm<sup>-1</sup>) also is not coupled to any other mode and occurs at higher frequency than the  $v(OsF_1) - v(OsF_1') + \rho_r(O_1OsO_1') + \delta(O_2OsO_1')$  mode of  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  (426/422 cm<sup>-1</sup>) as a result of coupling with lower frequency OOsO and FXeF bending modes.

# 8.2.3.2. XeF5<sup>+</sup>

Because vibrational assignments for the XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> cation under  $C_{4\nu}$  symmetry have been previously reported for other salts, e.g., AsF<sub>6</sub><sup>-,65, 78, 251</sup> AuF<sub>6</sub><sup>-,65</sup> BF<sub>4</sub><sup>-,65, 78</sup> GaF<sub>4</sub><sup>-,72</sup> NiF<sub>6</sub><sup>2-,88</sup> PdF<sub>6</sub><sup>2-,65</sup> PtF<sub>6</sub><sup>-,65</sup> RuF<sub>6</sub><sup>-,65</sup> and are in good agreement with the present values for the  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> ( $C_{2\nu}$  ion-pair symmetry, Table 8.4) and OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> ( $C_s$  ion-pair symmetry, Table 8.5) salts, no detailed discussion of their vibrational assignments is provided. It is noteworthy that the bands at 280 and 380 cm<sup>-1</sup> in the Raman spectrum of [XeF<sub>5</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] are associated with the secondary bonding interactions between the cation and the anion, and are assigned to the coupled  $\delta(F_1OsF_2) + \delta(F_3OsO_3) + \nu(Xe\cdots F_3)$  and the  $\nu(Xe\cdots F_1) + \nu(Xe\cdots F_2) + \nu(Xe\cdots F_3)$  modes, respectively.

# 8.2.3.3. Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup>

The vibrational modes of  $Xe_2F_{11}^+$  have not been assigned in detail in prior vibrational studies, e.g., the  $AsF_6^{-,65} PF_6^{-,65} PbF_6^{2-,90} PdF_6^{2-,90} SnF_6^{-,90}$  and  $VF_6^{-,98}$  salts. The present assignments provide a more detailed description of the vibrational modes of  $Xe_2F_{11}^+$  under  $C_s$  symmetry (Table 8.6).

Among the most noteworthy features of the  $Xe_2F_{11}^+$  Raman spectrum of [Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] are the Xe–F stretching frequencies which occur between 580 and 656  $cm^{-1}$ , and are comparable with other  $Xe_{2}F_{11}^{+}$  salts. The band at 591  $cm^{-1}$  is assigned to extensively coupled Xe-F and Os-F stretches involving the three facial Os-F bond stretches and the ten primary Xe-F bond stretches of the XeF<sub>5</sub>-units (Table 8.6). The most intense Xe-F stretching band at 656 cm<sup>-1</sup> is assigned to the  $[v(Xe_1F_4) + v(Xe_1F_5) +$  $v(Xe_1F_6)$ ] + [ $v(Xe_1'F_4')$  +  $v(Xe_1'F_5')$  +  $v(Xe_1'F_6')$ ] stretching mode and is in good agreement with the most intense cation band of other  $Xe_2F_{11}^+$  salts, e.g.,  $AsF_6^-$  (663)  $cm^{-1}$ ),<sup>65</sup>  $PF_6^-$  (666  $cm^{-1}$ ),<sup>65</sup>  $PbF_6^{2-}$  (650  $cm^{-1}$ ),<sup>90</sup>  $PdF_6^{2-}$  (651  $cm^{-1}$ ),<sup>90</sup>  $SnF_6^{2-}$  (657  $cm^{-1}$ ),<sup>90</sup> and  $VF_6^-$  (655 cm<sup>-1</sup>).<sup>98</sup> The Xe<sub>1</sub>---F<sub>3</sub>---Xe<sub>1</sub>' bridge stretches are predicted to be weak and to occur at 370, 335, and 300 (SVWN) and 329, 322, and 276 (B3LYP) cm<sup>-1</sup>, but could not be observed. In the present case, the symmetric  $v(Xe_1F_3) + v(Xe_1F_3)$  bridge stretch is in-phase coupled to the  $\delta_{umb}(XeF_{4e}) + \delta_{umb}(Xe_1'F_{4e'})$  bending mode, whereas the asymmetric  $v(Xe_1F_3) - v(Xe_1F_3)$  bridge stretch is in-phase coupled to both the

 $\rho_t(F_1OsF_1') + \rho_w(F_2OsO_2)$  and  $\rho_t(O_1OsO_1') - \rho_t(F_1OsF_1')$  bending modes. The three modes are predicted to occur between 300-370 (SVWN) and 276–329 (B3LYP) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

#### 8.2.4. Computational Results.

The structures of  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] ( $C_{2\nu}$ ),  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$  ( $C_s$ ),  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  ( $C_s$ ),  $XeF_5^+$  ( $C_{4\nu}$ ),  $Xe_2F_{11}^+$  ( $C_s$ ),  $OsO_3F_3^-$  ( $C_{3\nu}$ ), and  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> ( $C_2$ ) (Figures 8.8, F4 and F5) were optimized using SVWN and B3LYP methods under the specified symmetries and resulted in stationary points with all frequencies real. The geometrical parameters and vibrational frequencies were benchmarked, as previously described, using *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> and XeOF<sub>4</sub>.<sup>18</sup>

#### 8.2.4.1. Calculated Geometries.

The calculated ion-pair geometries of  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (Table 8.2), [XeF<sub>5</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>], and [Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] (Table 8.3) are in good agreement with the experimental geometries, with slightly better agreement for the Xe–F bond lengths at the B3LYP level, and for the Os–F and Os–O bond lengths of the [XeF<sub>5</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] and [Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] salts at the SVWN level. The calculations confirm that the gas-phase ion pairs are stable entities and all trends in their crystal structures are reproduced by the calculated ion-pair geometries, with the largest discrepancies occurring for the Xe…F contact distances. In all cases, the SVWN calculations predict slightly shorter secondary bonding interactions than the B3LYP calculations (Tables 8.2 and 8.3).

The calculated geometries of the  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] and  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$  ion pairs are in better agreement with their experimental geometries than  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$ , underscoring that both ion pairs are well isolated in their crystal structures, showing no inter-ion pair contacts. The experimental Os---F<sub>3</sub>---Os' bridge bond lengths of  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (2.1179(5) Å) are particularly well modeled by both the B3LYP (2.147 Å) and SVWN (2.115 Å) structures. The Os---F<sub>3</sub>---Os' bridge bond angle (155.5(1)°) is also very well reproduced at the B3LYP (155.4°) and SVWN (150.9°) levels. For this structure, the Xe···F contact distances calculated at the B3LYP (2.643 and 2.644 Å) level better reproduce the experimental values (2.622(1) and 2.663(1) Å) than those calculated at the SVWN level (2.461 and 2.461 Å).

The calculated structure of the  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  ion pair does not take into account the additional Xe···O inter-ion pair contact (vide supra) and consequently does not reproduce the experimental ion-pair geometry as well. The tri-coordination of F(2) is reproduced, but the Xe<sub>1</sub>···F<sub>2</sub> and Xe<sub>2</sub>···F<sub>2</sub> contact distances at the B3LYP level (3.197 and 3.197 Å) are significantly longer than the SVWN (2.613 and 2.613 Å) and the experimental (2.800(2) Å) values.

The geometries of the isolated gas-phase cations and anions have also been calculated in order to assess the effects of ion pairing on the primary bond lengths and angles. The fluorine atoms of the ion-paired  $OsO_3F_3^-$  anions strongly coordinate to xenon, elongating the Os–F bonds (av. 2.022, SVWN; 2.031, B3LYP Å) when compared with those of the gas-phase  $OsO_3F_3^-$  anion (1.950, SVWN; 1.961, B3LYP Å) (Table F5). As a result, the Os–O bond lengths of the ion pair are significantly shorter (av. 1.711, SVWN; 1.689, B3LYP Å) than those of the free anion (1.737, SVWN; 1.711, B3LYP Å). The same trends are observed for  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> (Table 8.2), i.e., the Os–O bond lengths are shortened and the Os–F<sub>1,2</sub> bond lengths are elongated upon coordination to XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup>. The
Os---F---Os bond angle of the free  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> anion is more closed (143.0°, SVWN; 140.7°, B3LYP) relative to that of the gas-phase ion pair (150.9°, SVWN; 155.4°, B3LYP) because chelation of the XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> cation through xenon contacts with the fluorine ligands of the anion results in compression of this angle. In contrast, the Xe---F---Xe bond angle of the free Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup> cation is more open (141.8°, SVWN; 171.2°, B3LYP) than in [Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] (129.3°, SVWN; 152.2°, B3LYP), which is again attributed to coordination of the anion fluorine ligands to xenon, leading to compression of the Xe---F---Xe angle in the chelate relative to that of the free Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup> cation. The Xe--F bond lengths of the free XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> (Table 8.2) and Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup> (Table F6) cations are slightly shorter than in their respective ion pairs as a consequence of the extra electron density donated to the xenon cation by the anion, resulting in longer, more polar primary Xe-F bonds in the ion pairs (see below for anion-cation charge drift values).

### 8.2.4.2. Charges, Valencies, and Bond Orders.

The Natural Bond Orbital (NBO) analyses were carried out for the optimized B3LYP [SVWN] gas-phase geometries of  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>],  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ ,  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  (Table 8.7),  $XeF_5^+$ ,  $Xe_2F_{11}^+$  (Table F7),  $OsO_3F_3^-$ , and  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> (Table F8).

The NPA (Natural Population Analysis) gave positive charges of 2.19 [1.88], 2.17 [1.87], and 2.18 [1.87] for osmium and 3.29 [3.05], 3.28 [3.04], and 3.29 [3.06] for xenon in the  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>],  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ , and  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  ion pairs, respectively. The negative charges of the light atoms indicate that the bonding in the ion pairs is polar covalent. The average charges of the oxygen ligands are less negative than

# **Table 8.7.**Natural Bond Orbital (NBO) Valencies, Bond Orders and NPA Charges for<br/> $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>], $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ , and $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$

	[XeF <sub>5</sub> ][µ-F	$\left[(OsO_3F_2)_2\right]^a$	[XeF <sub>5</sub> ]	OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>3</sub> ] <sup>6</sup>	[Xe <sub>2</sub> F <sub>11</sub> ]	[OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>3</sub> ]°
Atom	SVWN	B3LYP'	SVWN <sup>d</sup>	B3LYP <sup>e</sup>	SVWN <sup>d</sup>	B3LYP
			NPA charges [valer	ncies		
Os	1.880 [3.554]	2.187 [3.527]	1.866 [3.585]	2.174 [3.559]	1.867 [3.549]	2.178 [3.566]
O1	-0.312 [0.914]	-0.372 [0.909]	-0.310 [0.916]	-0.372 [0.913]	-0.303 [0.922]	-0.373 [0.913]
O <sub>2</sub>	-0.312 [0.914]	-0.372 [0.909]	-0.313 [0.916]	0.375 [0.910]	-0.304 [0.917]	-0.376 [0.904]
O3	-0.303 [0.918]	-0.369 [0.916]	-0.310[0.916]	-0.372 [0.913]		
$F_1$	0.496 [0.513]	-0.581 [0.432]	-0.519 [0.499]	-0.610 [0.427]	-0.524 [0.502]	-0.628 [0.423]
$F_2$	-0.496 [0.513]	-0.581 [0.432]	-0.504 [0.506]	-0.582 [0.438]	-0.557 [0.526]	-0.571 [0.442]
F3	-0.546 [0.561]	-0.626 [0.435]	-0.519 [0.499]	0.610 [0.427]	-0.600 [0.389]	0.697 [0.340]
Xe	3.054 [2.723]	3.288 [2.704]	3.041 [2.649]	3.280 [2.712]	3.055 [2.639]	3.290 [2.694]
F₄	-0.469 [0.369]	-0.472 [0.400]	-0.469 [0.383]	-0.4 <b>76</b> [0.409]	-0.470 [0.379]	-0.480 [0.412]
F5	-0.493 [0.398]	0.504 [0.433]	-0.489 [0.400]	-0.513 [0.438]	-0.484 [0.404]	-0.517 [0.421]
F <sub>6</sub>	-0.486 [0.403]	0.502 [0.440]	0.492 [0.398]	-0.515 [0.429]	0.499 [0.385]	-0.522 [0.433]
$F_7$	-0.486 [0.403]	-0.502 [0.440]	-0.492 [0.398]	-0.515 [0.429]	-0.488 [0.406]	-0.512 [0.434]
F8	-0.493 [0.398]	-0.504 [0.433]	-0.489 [0.400]	-0.513 [0.438]	-0.490 [0.397]	-0.521 [0.429]
			bond orders			
Os–O <sub>1</sub>	0.855	0.872	0.861	0.876	0.862	0.877
Os–O <sub>2</sub>	0.855	0.872	0.860	0.873	0.858	0.868
OsO3	0.863	0.877	0.861	0.876		
Os–F <sub>1</sub>	0.366	0.349	0.325	0.297	0.330	0.288
Os-F <sub>2</sub>	0.366	0.349	0.351	0.344	0.325	0.380
Os-F <sub>3</sub>	0.250	0.214	0.325	0.297		
Xe…F1	0.127	0.078	0.159	0.125	0.154	0.141
Xe…F <sub>2</sub>	0.127	0.078	0.141	0.088	0.096	0.022
Xe···F₃			0.159	0.125	0.203	0.182
Xe-F4	0.453	0.501	0.457	0.504	0.456	0.500
Xe-F5	0.437	0.474	0.433	0.469	0.439	0.465
Xe-F6	0.441	0.478	0.412	0.469	0.421	0.459
Xe-F7	0.441	0.478	0.412	0.469	0.439	0.466
Xe-F <sub>8</sub>	0.437	0.474	0.433	0.469	0.431	0.462

<sup>*a*</sup> See Figure 8.8a for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*b*</sup> See Figure 8.8b for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*c*</sup> See Figure 8.8c for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*d*</sup> The SDDall(-PP) basis set augmented for F, O, an,d Xe with two d-type polarization functions, was used. <sup>*e*</sup> The Stuttgart basis set was used for Os with the f functional. The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets were used for all other atoms. <sup>*f*</sup> The atom labeling scheme refers to the structure of  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)] and  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ . In the case of  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  the Xe…F<sub>3</sub> notation should read as Xe---F<sub>3</sub>.

the average charges of the fluorine ligands in both the anions and cations, which is consistent with significant charge transfer from the filled oxygen p orbitals into the empty d orbitals of osmium. Overall, the fluorine ligands of the anions are more negative than those of the cations, which is consistent with the net charges of the cation and anion.

The Xe---F<sub>3</sub> bridge bond orders of  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  (0.18 [0.20]) and the Os---F<sub>3</sub> bond orders of  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (0.21 [0.25]) are significantly less than those of the terminal Xe-F (av. 0.46-0.50 [0.41-0.46]) and Os-F (av. 0.29-0.38 [0.32-0.37]) bonds of either salt because the bridging fluorine atoms are equally shared between the two electropositive heavy atoms. Although the Xe---F<sub>3</sub> and Os---F<sub>3</sub> bridge bond orders are similar, the average terminal Xe-F bond orders of XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> and Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup> are more than double the bridging Xe---F<sub>3</sub> bond order in Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup>. In contrast, the average terminal Os-F bond orders of OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> and  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> are less than twice the Os---F<sub>3</sub> bridge bond order. The difference is attributable to significantly higher positive charges on the xenon atoms than on the osmium atoms (Table 8.7), which result in lower negative charges on the fluorine atoms of the xenon cations and more covalent Xe-F bonds than for fluorine bonded to osmium.

The Os–O bond orders of both ion pairs are similar (0.87-0.88 [0.86-0.86]) but slightly greater than those of the free anions (0.85-86 [0.81-0.83]). The Os–F bond orders (0.29-0.38 [0.32-0.37]) are also similar but less than those of the free anions (0.38-0.41 [0.39-0.42]). Both features result from significant fluorine bridge interactions between the fluorine ligands of osmium and xenon atoms of the ion pairs. The somewhat higher Os–O bond orders compensate for the negative charge drift onto the cation via the secondary bonding interactions. The calculated negative charge drifts from anion to cation within the ion pair reflect this trend:  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>], 0.19 [0.37]; [XeF<sub>5</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>], 0.25 [0.39]; [Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>], 0.23 [0.37].

Other than the Xe---F<sub>3</sub> bridge bond orders of  $Xe_2F_{11}^+$ , the secondary Xe--F bond orders range from 0.02 [0.10] for the F<sub>2</sub> atom of  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  to 0.12 [0.16] for the F<sub>1</sub> and F<sub>3</sub> atoms of  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ . The lower Xe--F<sub>2</sub> bond order results from the interaction of F<sub>2</sub> with both xenon atoms of the  $Xe_2F_{11}^+$  cation. The higher Xe--F<sub>1,3</sub> bond orders of  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$  when compared with the Xe--F<sub>1,2</sub> bond orders of  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO\_3F\_2)<sub>2</sub>] correlate with the higher positive charge on xenon that results from only eight primary and secondary contacts to xenon instead of nine as in the remaining two ion pairs (see Section 8.2.4.1).

The axial and equatorial Xe–F bond orders of XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> and Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup> are only slightly altered upon coordination of either cation to OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>. The equatorial Xe–F bond orders for all three ion pairs are similar (0.47–0.48 [0.41–0.44]) and are only slightly less than those of free XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> and Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup> (0.48–0.49 [0.48]). The axial Xe–F bonds of the ion pairs have significantly higher bond orders (0.50 [0.45–0.46]) than the equatorial Xe–F bonds. The axial Xe–F bond orders of the ion pairs are similar to those of the free cations calculated at the B3LYP level (0.51–0.53), but at the SVWN level they are somewhat higher for the free cations (0.50–0.52). The lower Xe–F bond orders for all of the ion pairs relative to those of free XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> and Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup> are in accord with the calculated anioncation charge drifts (vide supra).

### 8.3. Conclusions

The  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>],  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ , and  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  salts have been synthesized by the reactions of stoichiometric mixtures of  $XeF_6$  and  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ . All three salts are room-temperature stable but dissociate back to the starting materials after prolonged heating at 50 °C. The salts provide the only examples of noble-gas cations that are stabilized by metal oxide fluoride anions and the first example of a salt of the fluorine-bridged  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> anion. All three salts exist as discrete ion pairs in which the fluorine ligands of the osmium oxide fluoride anions mainly interact by means of secondary bonding interactions with the xenon atoms of the cations. Ion-pairing results in nine-coordination at the xenon atoms of  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] and  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  and eight-coordination at the xenon atom of [XeF<sub>5</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>]. The primary coordination spheres of the osmium atoms of  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sup>-</sup> and OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> are pseudo-octahedral with facial arrangements of oxygen and fluorine ligands. The OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> anions have geometrical parameters that are closer to those of neutral trioxo Os(VIII) species, indicating that the  $XeF_5^+$  and  $Xe_2F_{11}^+$  cations withdraw significant electron density from the anion by means of their secondary bonding interactions. Quantum-chemical calculations have been used to model the ion pairs and their component ions and provide energy-minimized geometries that are in very good agreement with the experimental structures. The Raman spectra of all three salts have been fully assigned based on the calculated vibrational modes.

### **CHAPTER 9**

### SYNTHESES AND STRUCTURES OF THE MOLECULAR ADDITION COMPOUNDS, XeOF<sub>4</sub>·NgF<sub>2</sub> (Ng = Xe or Kr)

### 9.1. Introduction

The noble-gas difluorides, NgF<sub>2</sub>, behave as fluoride ion donors towards strong fluoride ion acceptors such as AsF<sub>5</sub>, SbF<sub>5</sub>, and BiF<sub>5</sub> forming NgF<sup>+</sup> salts having short terminal Ng–F bonds.<sup>110, 126, 252-256</sup> In such cases, a fluoride ion of NgF<sub>2</sub> is essentially transferred to form the corresponding fluoro-anion conjugate base of the Lewis acid. A fluorine ligand of the anion, F<sub>b</sub>, however, interacts with the NgF<sup>+</sup> cation by means of a long Ng---F<sub>b</sub> fluorine bridge bond, forming an ion pair, e.g.  $F-Kr^+--F-AsF_5^{-.126}$ 

Coordination of a weak to moderate strength, oxidatively resistant Lewis acid to a fluorine atom of XeF<sub>2</sub> occurs without "complete" fluoride ion transfer. A considerable number of metal cations fulfill this criterion, and their XeF<sub>2</sub> coordination complexes have been synthesized and structurally characterized, but there are no examples of metal cation coordination complexes with KrF<sub>2</sub>. A recent review has outlined progress in this area<sup>257</sup> and recently the  $[M(XeF_2)_5][PF_6]_2$  (M = Ca, Cd),<sup>105</sup>  $[Pb_3(XeF_2)_{11}][PF_6]_6$ ,<sup>120</sup>  $[M(XeF_2)_3][PF_6]_2$  (M = Sr, Pb),<sup>120</sup>  $[Sr_3(XeF_2)_{10}][PF_6]_6$ ,<sup>120</sup>  $[Ba(XeF_2)_5][AsF_6]_2$ ,<sup>113</sup> and  $[Ba(XeF_2)_4][PF_6]_2^{117}$  complexes have been synthesized. In these instances, coordination of the XeF<sub>2</sub> ligand can either be terminal or bridging. Terminal XeF<sub>2</sub> ligands interact through only one fluorine atom resulting in lengthening of the bridge bond and contraction of the terminal bond. Bridging XeF<sub>2</sub> ligands occur as two types, symmetric or asymmetric. The symmetrically bridged structures resemble network structures and have equivalent Xe–F bond lengths. Structures containing asymmetrically bridged  $XeF_2$  also have single contacts to each fluorine atom of the  $XeF_2$  molecule which are inequivalent and render the Xe–F bonds asymmetric.

Examples of XeF<sub>2</sub> coordinated to moderate strength Lewis acid transition metal oxide fluorides have also been reported. Adducts of XeF<sub>2</sub> with MOF<sub>4</sub> (M = Mo and W), XeF<sub>2</sub>·*n*MOF<sub>4</sub> (n = 1-4) are known, and have been characterized by solution <sup>19</sup>F and <sup>129</sup>Xe NMR spectroscopy,<sup>121, 122</sup> and Raman spectroscopy.<sup>122, 123</sup> The M---F--Xe bridge bonds in these complexes have been shown to be non-labile by <sup>19</sup>F and <sup>129</sup>Xe NMR spectroscopy at low temperatures in BrF<sub>5</sub> and SO<sub>2</sub>ClF solvents and it has been found that there is isomerization between oxygen- and fluorine-bridged XeF groups for XeF<sub>2</sub>·*n*WOF<sub>4</sub> (n = 2, 3) to form W-O-XeF linkages in SO<sub>2</sub>ClF. The only crystal structure that has been determined for this class of compounds is that of WOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub>, in which XeF<sub>2</sub> is fluorine bridged to tungsten.<sup>258</sup>

Examples are known in which  $XeF_2$  coordinates to non-metal centers and are represented by  $2XeF_2 \cdot [XeF_5][AsF_6]$ ,  $XeF_2 \cdot [XeF_5][AsF_6]$ , and  $XeF_2 \cdot 2([XeF_5][AsF_6])$ , where  $XeF_2$  coordinates to the Xe(VI) atom of  $XeF_5^{+}$ .<sup>79</sup> The X-ray crystal structure has recently been reported for  $[BrOF_2][AsF_6] \cdot 2XeF_2^{-118}$  and  $[BrOF_2][AsF_6] \cdot KrF_2^{-124}$  which have also been structurally characterized by Raman spectroscopy. Both adducts contain  $XeF_2$  molecules that are homoleptically coordinated to bromine(V) through fluorine.

The molecular addition compound,  $XeOF_4 \cdot XeF_2$  has been previously synthesized and its Raman spectrum and X-ray powder pattern have been obtained.<sup>75</sup> The Raman spectrum was assigned as the sum of the  $XeF_2$  and  $XeOF_4$  component spectra. The

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 $XeOF_4 \cdot XeF_2$  compound was proposed to be isostructural with  $IF_5 \cdot XeF_2$  because both  $IF_5$ and  $XeOF_4$  are square pyramidal with a lone pair occupying the open face of the square pyramid.<sup>114</sup>

In contrast, there are few examples of KrF<sub>2</sub> coordination complexes. The known adducts are formed with MOF<sub>4</sub> (M = Cr,<sup>125</sup> Mo,<sup>123</sup> and W<sup>123</sup>) transition metal centers which have been characterized by <sup>19</sup>F NMR and vibrational spectroscopy. The only crystal structures of KrF<sub>2</sub> adducts are those of  $[Kr_2F_3][SbF_6]_2 \cdot KrF_2^{126}$  and  $[BrOF_2][AsF_6] \cdot 2KrF_2$ .<sup>124</sup> These adducts provide examples of terminally bridged KrF<sub>2</sub> molecules. Currently there are no examples of structures that contain bridged KrF<sub>2</sub> molecules.

The research presented in Chapter 8 details the fluoride ion donor properties of XeF<sub>6</sub> towards  $OsO_3F_2$ . Xenon hexafluoride is the strongest fluoride ion donor among the binary xenon fluorides, XeF<sub>2</sub>, XeF<sub>4</sub>, and XeF<sub>6</sub>. If was also of interest to investigate the fluoride ion acceptor properties of  $OsO_3F_2$  toward XeF<sub>2</sub>; however, in both HF and XeOF<sub>4</sub> solvents no reaction was observed. Instead, the XeF<sub>2</sub>/XeOF<sub>4</sub> system gave rise to a molecular addition compound XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub>. The present chapter details the syntheses and characterization by single-crystal X-ray diffraction and Raman spectroscopy of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> and XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub>. Although the XeOF<sub>4</sub>·NgF<sub>2</sub> compounds are molecular addition compounds, they will generally be referred to as adducts for simplicity. Quantum-chemical calculations have been used to aid in the assignments of the vibrational modes of the XeOF<sub>4</sub>·NgF<sub>2</sub> adducts.

### 9.2 **Results and Discussion**

### 9.2.1. Syntheses and Crystal Growth of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·NgF<sub>2</sub> (Ng = Xe or Kr).

The adduct,  $XeOF_4 \cdot XeF_2$ , was synthesized using the previously described procedure (eq 9.1).<sup>75</sup> Slow cooling of a solution of  $XeF_2$  dissolved in  $XeOF_4$  to -36 °C resulted in growth of colorless plates. A small amount of  $XeOF_4$  solution froze on the

$$XeOF_4 + XeF_2 \xrightarrow{XeOF_4} XeOF_4 \cdot XeF_2$$
(9.1)

crystals upon isolation and crystals suitable for single-crystal X-ray diffraction were isolated by mechanically separating them from the frozen XeOF<sub>4</sub>.

Reaction of XeOF<sub>4</sub> with KrF<sub>2</sub> at low temperature (-20 °C) resulted in the formation of an adduct corresponding to XeOF<sub>4</sub>·*n*KrF<sub>2</sub> (eq 9.2) where *n* is shown to be 1

$$XeOF_4 + nKrF_2 \xrightarrow{-20 \circ C} XeOF_4 \cdot nKrF_2 \quad (n = 1, > 1)$$
(9.2)

(see Section 9.2.3) or > 1 (see Section 9.2.4). Isolation of the adduct, however, was not possible because pumping at either -20 or -40 °C resulted in removal of both XeOF<sub>4</sub> and KrF<sub>2</sub>. Colorless needles corresponding to XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> were grown by slow cooling of the solution to -41 °C. Crystals suitable for single-crystal X-ray diffraction were isolated by mechanically separating them from excess frozen XeOF<sub>4</sub> that encased the crystals.

Reaction of XeOF<sub>4</sub> with excess KrF<sub>2</sub> at -20 °C initially resulted in the formation of a mixture of phases that have not yet been conclusively identified (see Section 9.2.4). This mixture was warmed to -20 °C and the reaction was monitored by Raman spectroscopy over a period of 12 h until the spectrum remained unchanged and corresponded to a mixture of unreacted KrF<sub>2</sub> and XeOF<sub>4</sub>·*n*KrF<sub>2</sub> where n > 1.

### 9.2.2. NMR Spectroscopy.

Table 9.1 lists the <sup>19</sup>F and <sup>129</sup>Xe NMR parameters of NgF<sub>2</sub> (Ng = Xe, Kr) dissolved in XeOF<sub>4</sub> solvent (-35 °C). In both cases, XeOF<sub>4</sub> was always in excess so that the XeF<sub>2</sub> solution had a concentration of ca. 0.234 mol  $L^{-1}$  while KrF<sub>2</sub> was ca. 0.328 mol  $L^{-1}$ . There is no evidence for a discrete interaction and both NgF<sub>2</sub> and XeOF<sub>4</sub> fail to show spin-spin couplings or significant chemical shift changes that correspond to coordination and are indicative of labile Xe(VI)---F-Ng(II) interactions in solution. The <sup>19</sup>F chemical shift of XeF<sub>2</sub> (-183.0 ppm) is similar to that of XeF<sub>2</sub> observed in BrF<sub>5</sub> at either 26 and -20 °C (-181.8 ppm)<sup>196</sup> and the <sup>129</sup>Xe chemical shift (-1606 ppm) is similar to that recorded in HF at 25 °C (-1592 ppm)<sup>68</sup> and is shifted to somewhat lower frequency than in BrF<sub>5</sub> solvent at -40 °C (-1708 ppm).<sup>68</sup> The <sup>1</sup>J(<sup>129</sup>Xe-<sup>19</sup>F) coupling constant of XeF<sub>2</sub> in XeOF<sub>4</sub> solvent (5630 Hz) is similar to that of XeF<sub>2</sub> in BrF<sub>5</sub> at 26, -20, and -40 °C (5616,<sup>196</sup> 5650,<sup>196</sup> and 5583 Hz,<sup>68</sup> respectively) and in HF at 25 °C (5652 Hz).<sup>68</sup> The <sup>19</sup>F chemical shift of KrF<sub>2</sub> in XeOF<sub>4</sub> solvent (64.4 ppm) is similar to the chemical shift observed for KrF<sub>2</sub> in BrF<sub>5</sub> solvent at -50 °C (67.9 ppm) and is intermediate with respect to those obtained in BrF<sub>5</sub> (77.7 ppm) and HF (55.6 ppm) solvents at 25 °C.<sup>196</sup>

The <sup>19</sup>F and <sup>129</sup>Xe chemical shifts and the <sup>1</sup> $J(^{129}Xe^{-19}F)$  coupling constants of XeOF<sub>4</sub> in the XeF<sub>2</sub> (98.1 and 6.5 ppm, 1120 Hz, respectively) and KrF<sub>2</sub> (97.7 and 7.8 ppm, 1111 Hz, respectively) adducts are similar and are comparable to those of pure liquid XeOF<sub>4</sub> recorded at 24 °C (100.3 and 0.0 ppm, 1128 Hz, respectively).<sup>259</sup>

## **Table 9.1.** NMR Chemical Shifts and Spin-Spin Coupling Constants for XeF2 and KrF2Recorded in XeOF4 Solvent at -35 °C

		Chemical Shifts, ppm		Coupling Constants, Hz
Solute	Species	$\delta(^{19}\mathrm{F})^a$	$\delta(^{129}\text{Xe})^b$	$^{1}J(^{129}\text{Xe-}^{19}\text{F})$
XeF <sub>2</sub>	XeOF <sub>4</sub>	98.1	6.5	1120
	XeF <sub>2</sub>	-183.0	-1606	5630
$KrF_2$	XeOF <sub>4</sub>	97.7	7.8	1111
	KrF <sub>2</sub>	64.4		

<sup>*a*</sup> Resonances assigned to traces of XeF<sub>4</sub> [XeO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>2</sub>] {HF} impurities were observed for the XeF<sub>2</sub> mixture (-18.4 ppm ( ${}^{1}J({}^{19}F-{}^{129}Xe) = 3848$  Hz), [101.1 ppm ( ${}^{1}J({}^{19}F-{}^{129}Xe) = 1180$  Hz)], {-188.7 ppm}) and the KrF<sub>2</sub> mixture (-18.9 ppm ( ${}^{1}J({}^{19}F-{}^{129}Xe) = 3850$  Hz) {-188.5 ppm ( ${}^{1}J({}^{1}H-{}^{19}F) = 536$  Hz)}). <sup>*b*</sup> Resonances assigned to traces of XeF<sub>4</sub> [XeO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>2</sub>] impurities were observed for the XeF<sub>2</sub> mixture (287 ppm ( ${}^{1}J({}^{19}F-{}^{129}Xe) = 3848$  Hz) [127 ppm ( ${}^{1}J({}^{19}F-{}^{129}Xe) = 1180$  Hz)]) and the KrF<sub>2</sub> mixture (292 ppm ( ${}^{1}J({}^{19}F-{}^{129}Xe) = 3850$  Hz) [127 ppm ( ${}^{1}J({}^{19}F-{}^{129}Xe) = 1180$  Hz)]) and the KrF<sub>2</sub> mixture (292 ppm ( ${}^{1}J({}^{19}F-{}^{129}Xe) = 3850$  Hz)]).

### 9.2.3. X-ray Crystal Structures of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·NgF<sub>2</sub> (Ng = Xe or Kr).

Details of data collection parameters and other crystallographic information are provided in Table 9.2. Bond lengths and bond angles for XeOF<sub>4</sub>·NgF<sub>2</sub> are listed in Tables 9.3 and 9.4, respectively. The unit cell parameters for XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> are in good agreement with those obtained from the X-ray powder diffraction study (a = 7.56(2), c = 11.36(3) Å, V = 647 Å<sup>3</sup>, Z = 4, 20 °C).<sup>75</sup>

### 9.2.3.1. Packing and Intermolecular Contacts.

The XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> adduct crystallizes in the I4/m space group. The structure of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> consists of XeOF<sub>4</sub> and XeF<sub>2</sub> units that stack along the *a*- and *b*- axes but alternate along the c-axis. The Xe-O bonds of the XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecules alternate directions by 180° in columns along the a- and c-axes so that in the b,c-plane, either the Xe-O bonds or the xenon lone pairs of the XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecules face one another (Figure G1). The  $XeF_2$  ligands pack along the *a*- and *c*-axes alternating their orientations by 180°. There are four XeF<sub>2</sub> molecules that have close contacts with the Xe atom of XeOF<sub>4</sub> (Figure 9.1a). In turn, each fluorine atom of the XeF<sub>2</sub> molecule has a close contact with the Xe atoms of two XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecules (Figure 9.1b). The X-ray crystal structure confirms that the adduct is isostructural with IF<sub>5</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub>.<sup>114</sup> The Xe…F contact distances in XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> (3.239(4) Å) are comparable to the I...F contact distances in IF<sub>5</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> (3.142(7) Å), but are somewhat less than the sums of their respective Xe (3.63 Å)/I (3.45 Å) and F van der Waals radii.<sup>165</sup> Symmetric coordination of four  $XeF_2$  molecules results in the preservation of the local  $C_{4\nu}$  symmetry of the XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule, whereas symmetric coordination of one XeF<sub>2</sub> molecule to four XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecules results in local  $C_i$  symmetry at XeF<sub>2</sub>, thus retaining the

chem formula	$Xe_8O_4F_{24}$	$Xe_2Kr_2F_{12}O_2$
space group	<i>I</i> 4/ <i>m</i> (87)	<i>P</i> 1 (2)
a (Å)	7.502(1)	6.760(5)
<i>b</i> (Å)	7.502(1)	7.229(5)
c (Å)	11.193(4)	7.891(5)
α (deg)	90	96.501(5)
β (deg)	90	114.352(5)
γ (deg)	90	113.813(5)
$V(Å^3)$	630.0(6)	302.8(3)
molecules/unit cell	4	2
mol wt (g mol <sup>-1</sup> )	1570.40	690.20
calcd density (g cm <sup>-3</sup> )	4.139	3.785
<i>T</i> (°C)	-173	-173
$\mu (\mathrm{mm}^{-1})$	10.81	13.00
$R_{I}^{a}$	0.0257	0.0289
$wR_2^{b}$	0.0395	0.0700

Table 9.2. Summary of Crystal Data and Refinement Results for  $XeOF_4$ · $XeF_2$  and  $XeOF_4$ · $KrF_2$ 

<sup>*a*</sup>  $R_1$  is defined as  $\Sigma ||F_0| - |F_c|| / \Sigma |F_0|$  for  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ . <sup>*b*</sup>  $wR_2$  is defined as  $\{\Sigma[w(F_0^2 - F_c^2)^2] / \Sigma w(F_0^2)^2\}^{\frac{1}{2}}$  for  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ .

$XeOF_4 \cdot XeF_2^a$		$2 \text{XeOF}_4 \cdot \text{XeF}_2^{\ b}$					XeOF <sub>4</sub> ·4XeF <sub>2</sub> <sup>c</sup>		
	·····	, <u> </u>		calcd $(C_{2\nu})$	d			calcd $(C_4)^d$	
exptl	exptl		SVWN	B3LYP	PBE1PBE		SVWN	B3LYP	PBE1PBE
		- <u></u>	Bon	d Lengths (Å)	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,				
Xe(1)-O(1)	1.729(7)	Xe <sub>1</sub> –O <sub>1</sub>	1.738	1.742	1.725		1.741	1.744	1.727
Xe(1) - F(1)	1.900(3)	$\int Xe_1 - F_{1,2}$	1.959	1.960	1.935	l	1.954	1.953	1.928
(-) - (-)		$\sum_{i=1}^{3,4}$	1.943	1.952	1.925	ſ			
Xe(1)···F(5)	3.239(4)	Xe <sub>1</sub> …F <sub>5</sub>	2.647	2.880	2.890		2.920	3.446	3.357
Xe(2)-F(5)	2.104(5)	Xe <sub>2</sub> -F <sub>5</sub>	2.015	2.024	1.999		2.024	2.031	2.006
		Xe <sub>2</sub> -F <sub>6</sub>					1.984	2.004	1.979
			Bond	d Angles (deg)					
O(1)-Xe(1)-F(1)	89.2(1)	$O_1$ -Xe <sub>1</sub> -F <sub>1</sub>	92.4	92.2	91.6		89.3	90.8	90.3
		$O_1$ -Xe <sub>1</sub> -F <sub>3</sub>	92.8	92.4	91.8				
O(1)-Xe(1)F(5)	141.13(8)	$O_1 - Xe_1 - F_5$	157.8	162.0	158.0		140.2	139.5	139.4
F(1)-Xe(1)-F(1C)	89.99(0)	$F_1-Xe_1-F_2$	87.5	88.9	88.8		90.0	90.0	90.0
F(1)-Xe(1)-F(1B)	178.3(2)	F <sub>1</sub> -Xe <sub>1</sub> -F <sub>3</sub>	174.5	175.4	176.5		178.6	178.4	179.4
		$F_1$ - $Xe_1$ - $F_4$	90.5	90.2	90.2				
F(1) - Xe(1) - F(5)	60.6(1)	$F_1 - Xe_1 - F_5$	71.9	75.1	73.0		63.4	60.6	61.4
		$F_1 - Xe_1 - F_7$					64.0	63.5	63.4
		$F_1 - Xe_1 \cdots F_9$					117.8	118.0	118.1
		$F_1 - Xe_1 \cdots F_{11}$					117.2	115.2	116.1
		$F_3$ -X $e_1$ - $F_4$	91.0	90.4	90.6				
		$F_3 - Xe_1 \cdots F_5$	102.6	100.2	103.6				
F(5)-Xe(2)-F(5A)	180.00(0)	F5-Xe-F5'	180.0	180.0	180.0		178.0	179.0	179.0
Xe(1) F(5)-Xe(2)	116.8(1)	Xe <sub>1</sub> …F <sub>5</sub> -Xe <sub>2</sub>	113.8	127.5	122.7		117.6	116.6	117.3

**Table 9.3.** Experimental Bond Lengths and Angles in XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> and Calculated Bond Lengths and Angles in2XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> and XeOF<sub>4</sub>·4XeF<sub>2</sub>

<sup>*a*</sup> For the atom labeling scheme see Figure 9.1a. <sup>*b*</sup> For the atom labeling scheme see Figure 9.7b. <sup>*c*</sup> For the atom labeling scheme see Figure 9.7a. <sup>*d*</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets were used.

$XeOF_4 \cdot KrF_2^a$		_		2XeOF₄ Krl	F <sub>2</sub> <sup>b</sup>	XeOF <sub>4</sub> ·2KrF <sub>2</sub> <sup>c</sup>			
exptl		_	calcd $(C_{2h})^d$				calcd $(C_1)^d$		
		-	SVWN	B3LYP	PBE1PBE	SVWN	B3LYP	PBE1PBE	
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			Bond Le	ngths (Å)					
Xe(1)-O(1)	1.711(2)	Xe <sub>1</sub> –O <sub>1</sub>	1.738	1.742	1.725	1.740	1.743	1.726	
Xe(1)-F(1)	1.913(3)	Xe <sub>1</sub> -F <sub>1</sub>	1.956	1.959	1.933	1.958	1.958	1.933	
Xe(1)-F(2)	1.906(2)	Xe <sub>1</sub> -F <sub>2</sub>				1.958	1.958	1.933	
Xe(1)-F(3)	1.901(2)	Xe <sub>1</sub> -F <sub>3</sub>	1.942	1.950	1.924	1.958	1.958	1.933	
Xe(1)-F(4)	1.893(2)	Xe <sub>1</sub> -F <sub>4</sub>				1.958	1.958	1.933	
Xe(1)…F(5)	2.962(2)	$Xe_1 \cdots F_5$	2.688	2.935	2.943	2.674	2.975	2.957	
Xe(1)…F(6)	3.009(3)	$Xe_1 \cdots F_7$				2.674	2.975	2.957	
Xe(1)…F(5B)	3.470(3)								
Xe(1)…F(2A)	3.661(2)								
Kr(1)–F(5)	1.896(3)	Kr-F <sub>5</sub>	1.883	1.898	1.868	1.905	1.914	1.884	
		Kr–F <sub>6</sub>				1.851	1.876	1.846	
Kr(2)–F(6)	1.889(2)	Kr-F7				1.905	1.914	1.884	
		Kr-F <sub>8</sub>				1.851	1.876	1.846	
			Bond Ang	gles (deg)					
O(1)-Xe(1)-F(1)	89.4(1)	O <sub>1</sub> -Xe <sub>1</sub> -F <sub>1</sub>	92.5	92.2	91.6	91.3	91.3	90.9	
O(1)-Xe(1)-F(2)	89.4(1)					91.3	91.3	90.8	
O(1)-Xe(1)-F(3)	89.7(1)	$O_1$ -Xe <sub>1</sub> -F <sub>3</sub>	92.8	92.4	91.8	91. <b>3</b>	91.3	90.9	
O(1)-Xe(1)-F(4)	90.1(1)					91.3	91.3	90.8	
O(1)-Xe(1)···F(5)	151.6(1)	$O_1 - Xe_1 \cdots F_5$	157.1	160.6	157.0	152.3	151.6	150.8	
O(1)-Xe $(1)$ ···F $(6)$	148.5(1)	$O_1 - Xe_1 - F_7$				152.3	151.6	150.8	
O(1)-Xe(1)F(5B)	130.5(1)								
O(1)-Xe(1)···F(2A)	122.4(1)								
F(1)-Xe(1)-F(2)	89.2(1)	$F_1$ -Xe <sub>1</sub> - $F_2$	87.5	88.8	88.8	90.5	90.0	90.1	
F(1)-Xe(1)-F(3)	178.96(7)	$F_1$ -X $e_1$ - $F_3$	174.5	175.3	176.4	177.4	177.5	178.3	

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**Table 9.4.** Experimental Bond Lengths and Bond Angles in XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> and Calculated Bond Lengths and Angles in<br/>2XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> and XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2KrF<sub>2</sub>

F(1)-Xe(1)-F(4)	88.82(9)	F <sub>1</sub> -Xe <sub>1</sub> -F <sub>4</sub>	90.5	90.2	90.2	89.5	89.9	89.9
F(1)-Xe $(1)$ ···F $(5)$	66.53(8)	$F_1 - Xe_1 - F_5$	71.3	74.1	72.3	69.5	69.1	69.0
$F(1)-Xe(1)\cdots F(6)$	115.95(8)	$F_1$ -X $e_1$ ··· $F_7$				108.1	108.5	109.4
F(2)-Xe(1)-F(3)	91.39(9)	F <sub>2</sub> -Xe <sub>1</sub> -F <sub>3</sub>	90.5	90.2	90.2	89.5	89.9	89.9
F(2)-Xe(1)-F(4)	177.98(9)	$F_2 - Xe_1 - F_4$	174.5	175.3	176.4	177.4	177.5	178.3
F(2)-Xe(1)···F(5)	75.17(8)	$F_2-Xe_1\cdots F_5$	71.3	<b>74</b> .1	72.3	108.1	108.5	109.4
F(2)-Xe(1)…F(6)	107.84(8)	$F_2 - Xe_1 \cdots F_7$				69.5	69.1	69.0
F(3)-Xe(1)-F(4)	90.57(9)	F <sub>3</sub> -Xe <sub>1</sub> -F <sub>4</sub>	91.0	90.4	90.5	90.5	90.0	90.1
F(3)-Xe(1)…F(5)	114.11(8)	$F_3$ -X $e_1$ ···F_5	103.1	101.2	104.2	108.1	108.5	109.4
F(3)-Xe(1)···F(6)	65.05(8)	$F_3$ -X $e_1$ ···F <sub>7</sub>				69.5	69.1	69.0
F(4)-Xe(1)···F(5)	104.45(9)	$F_4$ - $Xe_1$ ··· $F_5$	103.1	101.2	104.2	69.5	69.1	69.0
$F(4)-Xe(1)\cdots F(6)$	65.05(8)	$F_4$ - $Xe_1$ ··· $F_7$				108.1	108.5	109.4
F(5)-Kr(1)-F(5A)	180.0(1)	F <sub>5</sub> -Kr <sub>1</sub> -F <sub>5</sub> '	180.0	180.0	180.0	178.8	179.3	179.4
F(6)–Kr(2)–F(6A)	180.0(2)	$F_{7}$ - $Kr_{2}$ - $F_{8}$				178.8	179.3	179.4
$Kr(1)-F(5)\cdots Xe(1)$	123.4(1)	$Kr_1 - F_5 \cdots Xe_1$	110.3	121.7	118.3	111.0	118.9	117.5
Kr(2)-F(6)Xe(1)	145.4(1)	$Kr_2 - F_7 \cdots Xe_1$				111.0	118.9	117.5

<sup>*a*</sup> For the atom labeling scheme see Figure 9.2a. <sup>*b*</sup> For the atom labeling scheme see Figure 9.8a. <sup>*c*</sup> For the atom labeling scheme see Figure 9.8b. <sup>*d*</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets were used.



Figure 9.1. A depiction of the coordination spheres of the (a)  $XeOF_4$  molecule and (b)  $XeF_2$  molecule in the X-ray crystal structure of  $XeOF_4$ ·XeF<sub>2</sub> with thermal ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level.

center of symmetry in XeF<sub>2</sub>.

In contrast to the highly symmetric XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> structure, XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> crystallizes in the  $P\bar{1}$  space group and thus has significantly different structural features. The XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> adduct contains two crystallographically independent KrF<sub>2</sub> molecules. The XeOF<sub>4</sub> and KrF<sub>2</sub> molecules stack along the *a*- and *b*- axes and occupy separate planes that bisect the b,c-plane and contain the a-axis (Figure G2). Within their respective planes, the XeOF<sub>4</sub> and KrF<sub>2</sub> molecules alternate their orientations by 180°. The XeOF<sub>4</sub> and  $KrF_2$  molecules form a layer in the *a*,*b*-plane so that columns of XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecules alternate with two crystallographically independent  $KrF_2$  molecules along the *c*-axis. As a result, each Xe atom of the XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecules has a short contacts to two KrF<sub>2</sub> molecules (2.962(2) and 3.009(3) Å), and one longer contact to a single KrF<sub>2</sub> molecule (3.470(3) Å). There is also a second long contact to Xe which occurs with F(2A) of an adjacent XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule (3.661(2) Å) (Figure 9.2a), which, when included in the coordination sphere of Xe, renders Xe nine-coordinate. Both of the long contacts to Xe are close to the sum of the F and Xe van der Waals radii,<sup>165</sup> but the shorter contacts are ca. 0.65 Å less than this sum. Each fluorine atom of  $Kr(1)F_2$  has two short contacts with the xenon atoms of two symmetry related XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecules while each fluorine atom of  $Kr(2)F_2$  has only one short contact with one XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule (Figure 9.2b). The remaining intermolecular contacts for  $XeOF_4 \cdot XeF_2^{260}$  and  $XeOF_4 \cdot KrF_2^{261}$  are long and near the sum of the Xe and F van der Waals radii.<sup>165</sup>



Figure 9.2. (continued ...)



**Figure 9.2** A depiction of the coordination spheres of the (a)  $XeOF_4$  molecule and (b) and (c)  $KrF_2$  molecules in the X-ray crystal structure of  $XeOF_4$ · $KrF_2$  with thermal ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level.

### 9.2.3.2. XeOF<sub>4</sub>.

The XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecules in both of the NgF<sub>2</sub> adducts are based on a pseudooctahedral AX<sub>4</sub>YE VSEPR arrangement of bond pairs (X), double bond pairs (Y), and lone pairs (E) which gives rise to a square-pyramidal geometry. The four fluorine atoms that comprise the base of the square pyramid are coplanar as imposed by symmetry for XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> and are coplanar within  $\pm 0.003$  Å for  $\alpha$ -XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub>, with the respective apical oxygen atoms located 1.701 and 1.700 Å above the equatorial plane and the xenon atom lying 0.028 and 0.011 Å below that plane.

The secondary bonding interactions that occur between the XeOF<sub>4</sub> and NgF<sub>2</sub> molecules in each structure have contact distances that are significantly less than the sum of the xenon and fluorine van der Waals radii,<sup>165</sup> resulting in nine coordinate xenon atoms (Figure 9.3). The light atom interatomic distances associated with the xenon coordination spheres are similar, with the distances between the oxygen and four fluorine atoms being slightly shorter than the average overall interatomic distances (Table G1). The contacts in both structures occur from beneath the equatorial planes of the XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecules so as to avoid the valence electron lone pair position in the manner described for  $[XeF_5][RuF_6]$ ,<sup>93</sup>  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ ,<sup>203</sup> and  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>].<sup>203</sup>

The secondary contacts for XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> are from the F(5) atom of four symmetryequivalent XeF<sub>2</sub> molecules and the Xe atom is located 2.522 Å above the F(5,5C,5E,5G)plane. This plane is coplanar by symmetry and is parallel to the equatorial F(1,1A,1B,1C)-plane. Secondary contacts to the Xe atom of the XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> structure are from the F(5), F(5B), F(6), and F(2A) atoms which form a near parallelogram-shaped



Figure 9.3. Visualization of the coordination sphere formed by the light atoms of the  $XeF_9$  unit of (a)  $XeOF_4$ · $XeF_2$  and (b)  $XeOF_4$ · $KrF_2$ 

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plane. The Xe(1) atom is located 2.351 Å above the (F5,F5B,F6,F2A)-plane which is coplanar to within  $\pm 0.232$  Å and parallel to the F(1,2,3,4)-plane to within  $\pm 2.9^{\circ}$ .

The planes of contacting atoms and the equatorial fluorine atoms in XeOF<sub>4</sub>·NgF<sub>2</sub> have near-staggered conformations. The xenon coordination spheres may be described as distorted monocapped square antiprisms having dihedral angles,  $\psi$ , between the basal fluorine atom planes of the XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecules and planes of contacting atoms that are close to  $45^{\circ}$  (36.8° for the F(5,5C)Xe(1)O(1)- and F(1,1A)Xe(1)O(1)-planes and 53.2° for the F(5G,5E)Xe(1)O(1)- and F(1,1A)Xe(1)O(1)-planes of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub>; 46.4° for the F(1,3)Xe(1)O(1)- and F(2A,5B)Xe(1)O(1)-planes and 33.5° for the F(1,3)Xe(1)O(1)- and F(5,6A)Xe(1)O(1)-planes of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub>). The Xe–F bond lengths of the XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule in both the XeF<sub>2</sub> and KrF<sub>2</sub> complexes (1.900(3) and av. 1.903(3) Å, respectively) are not significantly affected by the long secondary Xe(VI)...F contacts and are similar to those of other structures containing adducted XeOF<sub>4</sub> such as  $[XeF_5][SbF_6] \cdot XeOF_4$  (1.890(2) and 1.895(2) Å)<sup>95</sup> and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  (av. 1.912(5) Å)<sup>18</sup> as well as the gas-phase microwave  $(1.95(5) \text{ Å})^{102}$  and electron diffraction (1.901(3)Å)<sup>104</sup> structures of XeOF<sub>4</sub>. The Xe–O bond length in the XeF<sub>2</sub> adduct (1.729(7) Å) is comparable within  $\pm 3\sigma$  to that of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> (1.711(2) Å) and is similar to those of [XeF<sub>5</sub>][SbF<sub>6</sub>]·XeOF<sub>4</sub> (1.713(3) Å),<sup>95</sup> (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·2XeOF<sub>4</sub> (av 1.709(6) Å),<sup>18</sup> and XeOF<sub>4</sub> (microwave,  $1.70(5)^{102}$ ; electron diffraction,  $1.71(1)^{104}$  Å).

### 9.2.3.3. XeF<sub>2</sub> and KrF<sub>2</sub>

The XeF<sub>2</sub> molecule in the crystal structure of  $XeOF_4 \cdot XeF_2$  is linear by symmetry with a Xe–F bond length of 2.014(5) Å. The Xe–F bond lengths are slightly elongated when compared with those of free XeF<sub>2</sub> which has been determined by X-ray diffraction (1.999(4) Å),<sup>262</sup> neutron diffraction (2.00(1) Å),<sup>263</sup> and in the gas phase  $(1.9791(1)^{264} \text{ and} 1.977965(5)^{265} \text{ Å})$  determined by vibrational spectroscopy, and is comparable to the Xe–F bond lengths in the X-ray crystal structures of other compounds containing symmetrically coordinated XeF<sub>2</sub> molecules such as IF<sub>5</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> (2.018(9) Å),<sup>114</sup> 2[XeF<sub>5</sub>][AsF<sub>6</sub>]·XeF<sub>2</sub> (2.01(2) Å),<sup>79</sup> XeF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> (2.010(6) Å),<sup>116</sup> and [Ba(XeF<sub>2</sub>)<sub>5</sub>][AsF<sub>6</sub>]<sub>2</sub> (1.994(9), 2.005(5), and 1.995(5) Å).<sup>117</sup>

The two crystallographically independent KrF<sub>2</sub> molecules in the crystal structure of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> are both linear by symmetry with Kr–F bond lengths (1.896(3) and 1.889(2) Å) in good agreement with those of  $\alpha$ -KrF<sub>2</sub> (1.894(5) Å),<sup>126</sup>  $\beta$ -KrF<sub>2</sub> (1.89(2) Å),<sup>266</sup> and the co-crystallized KrF<sub>2</sub> molecule in the structure of [Kr<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>]<sub>2</sub>[SbF<sub>6</sub>]<sub>2</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> (1.881(4) and 1.887(4) Å).<sup>126</sup> The Kr-F bond lengths are intermediate when compared to those of the asymmetrically coordinated [BrOF<sub>2</sub>][AsF<sub>6</sub>]·2KrF<sub>2</sub><sup>124</sup> adduct (1.943(4) and 1.933(3); 1.840(5) and 1.847(3) Å) and the Kr–F and Kr---F bond lengths of KrF<sup>+</sup> and Kr<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> salts such as [KrF][AuF<sub>6</sub>] (1.76(1) and 2.16(1) Å, respectively),<sup>252</sup> [KrF][SbF<sub>6</sub>] (1.765(3) and 2.140(3) Å, respectively),<sup>126</sup> and [Kr<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>][AsF<sub>6</sub>] (av. 1.796(6) and 2.048(5) Å, respectively).<sup>126</sup> The intermediate bond length in the current structure clearly indicates a molecular adduct of KrF<sub>2</sub> rather than formation of a KrF<sup>+</sup> salt.

### 9.2.4. Raman Spectroscopy

Reaction of  $XeF_2$  with a 10-fold excess  $XeOF_4$  leads to the synthesis of the molecular addition compound  $XeOF_4$ · $XeF_2$ , while reaction of  $KrF_2$  with  $XeOF_4$  leads to a mixture of phases, two of which have been preliminarily identified as  $XeOF_4$ · $KrF_2$  and

XeOF<sub>4</sub>·nKrF<sub>2</sub> (see Section 9.2.1.). The low-temperature, solid-state Raman spectra of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub>, XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub>, and XeOF<sub>4</sub>·nKrF<sub>2</sub> are shown in Figures 9.4, 9.5, and 9.6, respectively. The observed frequencies and mode descriptions for XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub>, XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub>, and XeOF<sub>4</sub>·nKrF<sub>2</sub> are listed in Tables 9.5, 9.6, and 9.7, respectively. Spectral assignments and mode descriptions for XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> and XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> were made by comparison with the experimental and calculated frequencies of gas-phase (Table G2)<sup>163</sup> and solid (Figure G3) XeOF<sub>4</sub>, XeF<sub>2</sub> (Table G3),<sup>267</sup> and KrF<sub>2</sub> (Table G3)<sup>103</sup> along with the calculated frequencies and mode descriptions for the unknown adducts  $2XeOF_4 \cdot NgF_2$  ( $C_{2h}$ ) (Table G4) (Ng = Kr, Xe),  $XeOF_4 \cdot 2KrF_2$  ( $C_4$ ) (Table 9.7), and  $XeOF_4 \cdot 4XeF_2$  (C<sub>1</sub>) (Table G5). The adducts were calculated to provide a close approximation of the local symmetry of the XeOF<sub>4</sub> (XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2KrF<sub>2</sub> and XeOF<sub>4</sub>·4XeF<sub>2</sub>) or  $NgF_2$  (2XeOF<sub>4</sub>·NgF<sub>2</sub>) molecules in the crystal, allowing for an estimate of the degree of intra- and intermolecular vibrational coupling and account for the frequency shifts compared with XeOF<sub>4</sub> and XeF<sub>2</sub>. The spectral assignments and mode descriptions for  $XeOF_4 \cdot nKrF_2$  were made by comparison with the calculated frequencies and mode descriptions for XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2KrF<sub>2</sub>. The geometric parameters and benchmarks of the structures calculated at the PBE1PBE level provided the best overall agreement with experiment (See Section 9.2.5) and are referred to explicitly.



**Figure 9.4.** Raman spectrum of  $XeOF_4 \cdot XeF_2$  recorded at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation; the symbols denote FEP sample tube lines (\*) and an instrumental artifact (†).



**Figure 9.5.** Raman spectrum of  $XeOF_4$ ·KrF<sub>2</sub> recorded at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation; the symbols denote FEP sample tube lines (\*), an instrumental artifact (†), and excess  $XeOF_4$  (‡).



**Figure 9.6.** Raman spectrum of  $XeOF_4 \cdot nKrF_2$  recorded at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation; the symbols denote FEP sample tube lines (\*), an instrumental artifact (†), and excess  $KrF_2$  (§).

Table 9.5.	Raman Frequencies and Intensities for XeOF <sub>4</sub> , XeF <sub>2</sub> , and XeOF <sub>4</sub> ·XeF <sub>2</sub> and
	Assignments for $XeOF_4 \cdot 4XeF_2$ and $2XeOF_4 \cdot XeF_2$

€	exptl	assgnts <sup>a</sup>
XeOF <sub>4</sub> <sup>b</sup>	$XeOF_4 \cdot XeF_2^d$	$XeOF_4 \cdot 4XeF_2 (C_4)^e$
928(m)	904(30)	A, $v(Xe_1O_1)$
609(vw)		E, $v(Xe_1F_1) - v(Xe_1F_3) / v(Xe_1F_2) - v(Xe_1F_4)$
577(vs)	575(72)	A, $v_s(Xe_1F_{4e})$
543(w)	536(33)	$\begin{cases} B, [v(Xe_1F_1) + v(Xe_1F_2)] - [v(Xe_1F_4) + v(Xe_1F_3)]^f \\ B, [v(Xe_1F_1) + v(Xe_1F_2)] - [v(Xe_1F_4) + v(Xe_1F_3)]^f \end{cases}$
360(w)	383(14)	E, $\delta(O_1Xe_1F_1F_4) / \delta(O_1Xe_1F_2F_3)$
286(m)	262(3)	A, $\delta_{\text{umb}}(\text{Xe}_1\text{F}_{4e})$
225(w)	196(2)	$\begin{cases} B, \delta(F_1Xe_1F_2) + \delta(F_3Xe_1F_4)^f \\ B, \delta(F_1Xe_1F_2) + \delta(F_3Xe_1F_4)^f \end{cases}$
161(w)	99(12)	E, $\delta(F_1Xe_1F_3) / \delta(F_2Xe_1F_4)$ E, $\rho_r(XeOF_4)$ B, $\rho_t(F_1Xe_1F_2) - \rho_t(F_3Xe_1F_4)$ A, $\rho_t(Xe_1F_{4e})$
XeF <sub>2</sub> <sup>c</sup>		$2 XeOF_4 \cdot XeF_2 (C_{2h})^g$
	i.a.	$\mathbf{B}_{\mathbf{u}}  \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{X} \mathbf{e}_2 \mathbf{F}_5) - \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{X} \mathbf{e}_2 \mathbf{F}_5')$
	i.a.	$B_u v(Xe_2F_5) - v(Xe_2F_5')^h$
497(100)	494(100)	$A_g v(Xe_2F_5) + v(Xe_2F_5')$
	i.a.	$\mathbf{B}_{\mathbf{u}}  \delta(\mathbf{F}_5 \mathbf{X} \mathbf{e}_2 \mathbf{F}_5')^{h}$
	i.a.	$\mathbf{B}_{u}  \delta_{ip}(\mathbf{F}_{5} \mathbf{X} \mathbf{e}_{2} \mathbf{F}_{5}')$
	i.a.	$A_u \delta_{oop}(F_5 X e_2 F_5')$
	138(9)	$A_g \rho_r (F_5 K r_1 F_5')_{ip}$

<sup>*a*</sup> The abbreviations denote stretch (v), symmetric (s) bend ( $\delta$ ), twist ( $\rho_t$ ), umbrella ( $\delta_{umb}$ ), in-plane (ip), out-of-plane (oop), F(1)F(1A)F(1B)F(1C) (F<sub>4e</sub>). <sup>*b*</sup> From Ref 101. The abbreviations denote very strong (vs), medium (m), weak (w), and very weak (vw). <sup>*c*</sup> From Ref 267. <sup>*d*</sup> The Raman spectrum was recorded on a microcrystalline solid sample in a FEP tube at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation. Experimental Raman intensities are given in parentheses and are relative intensities with the most intense band given as 100. The abbreviations denote shoulder (sh), broad (br), inactive (i.a.) and not observed (n.o.). A weak band was also observed at 310(1) cm<sup>-1</sup> but is unassigned. <sup>*e*</sup> See Figure 9.7a for the atom labeling scheme. See Table G5 for complete mode descriptions and calculated frequencies for XeOF<sub>4</sub>·4XeF<sub>2</sub>. <sup>*f*</sup> Coupled to the [v(Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>) + v(Xe<sub>4</sub>F<sub>9</sub>)] – [v(Xe<sub>3</sub>F<sub>7</sub>) + v(Xe<sub>5</sub>F<sub>11</sub>)] mode in the calculated XeOF<sub>4</sub>·4XeF<sub>2</sub> structure. <sup>*g*</sup> See Figure 9.7b for the atom labeling scheme. See Table G4 for the complete mode descriptions and calculated frequencies for 2XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub>. <sup>*h*</sup> Coupled to XeOF<sub>4</sub> modes in the calculated 2XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> structure. Ph D. Thesis – Michael J. Hughes

Table 9.6.	Raman Frequencies and Intensities for XeOF <sub>4</sub> , KrF <sub>2</sub> , and XeOF <sub>4</sub> ·KrF <sub>2</sub> and
	Assignments for XeOF <sub>4</sub> ·2KrF <sub>2</sub> and 2XeOF <sub>4</sub> ·KrF <sub>2</sub>

exptl		assgnts <sup>a</sup>
XeOF <sub>4</sub> <sup>b</sup>	XeOF <sub>4</sub> ·KrF <sub>2</sub> <sup>c</sup>	$XeOF_4 \cdot 2KrF_2 (C_1)^d$
928(m)	918(19)	$v(Xe_1O_1)$
577(vs)	568(51)	$v(Xe_1F_1) + v(Xe_1F_2) + v(Xe_1F_3) + v(Xe_1F_4)$
609(vw)	554(38)	$[v(Xe_1F_1) + v(Xe_1F_4)] - [v(Xe_1F_2) + v(Xe_1F_3)]$
543(w)	531 sh	$[v(Xe_1F_1) + v(Xe_1F_2)] - [v(Xe_1F_3) + v(Xe_1F_4)]$
	521(47)	$[v(Xe_1F_1) + v(Xe_1F_3)] - [v(Xe_1F_2) + v(Xe_1F_4)]$
360(w)	370(12)	$\delta(\mathrm{Xe}_1\mathrm{F}_1\mathrm{F}_2\mathrm{O}_1) + \delta(\mathrm{Xe}_1\mathrm{F}_3\mathrm{F}_4\mathrm{O}_1)$
		$\delta(\mathrm{Xe}_1\mathrm{F}_1\mathrm{F}_4\mathrm{O}_1) + \delta(\mathrm{Xe}_1\mathrm{F}_2\mathrm{F}_3\mathrm{O}_1)$
286(m)	287 sh	$\delta_{\rm umb}({\rm Xe_1F_1F_2F_3F_4})$
		$\delta(F_1Xe_1F_4) + \delta(F_2Xe_1F_3)$
225(w)	212(1)	$\rho_t(F_1Xe_1F_2) + \rho_t(F_3Xe_1F_4)$
161(w)		$\delta(F_1Xe_1F_4) - \delta(F_2Xe_1F_3)$
		$\delta(F_1Xe_1F_2) - \delta(F_3Xe_1F_4)$
$\mathrm{KrF_2}^e$		$2 \text{XeOF}_4 \cdot \text{KrF}_2^f$
	i.a.	$B_{u} v(Kr_{1}F_{5}) - v(Kr_{1}F_{5}')$
	i.a.	$B_u v(Kr_1F_5) - v(Kr_1F_5')^g$
462(100)	463(100)	$A_g v(Kr_1F_5) + v(Kr_1F_5')$
	i.a.	$\mathbf{B}_{\mathbf{u}}  \delta(\mathbf{F}_{5} \mathbf{K} \mathbf{r}_{1} \mathbf{F}_{5}')^{g}$
	i.a.	$B_u \delta_{ip}(F_5Kr_1F_5')$
	i.a.	$A_u \delta_{oop}(F_5Kr_1F_5')$
	132(1)	$A_g \rho_r (F_5 K r_1 F_5')_{ip}$

<sup>*a*</sup> The abbreviations denote stretch (v), bend ( $\delta$ ), twist ( $\rho_t$ ), rock ( $\rho_r$ ), umbrella ( $\delta_{umb}$ ), and out-of-plane (oop). <sup>*b*</sup> From Ref 101. The abbreviations denote very strong (vs), medium (m), weak (w), and very weak (vw). <sup>*c*</sup> The Raman spectrum was recorded on a microcrystalline solid sample in a FEP tube at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation. Experimental Raman intensities are given in parentheses and are relative intensities with the most intense band given as 100. The abbreviations denote shoulder (sh) and inactive (i.a.). Bands assigned to free solid XeOF<sub>4</sub> were observed at 908, 902, 588, 576, 566, 543, 532, 379, 289, 250, 234, 176, 166, 162, and 100 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>*d*</sup> See Figure 9.8a for the atom labeling scheme. See Table G4 for complete mode descriptions and calculated frequencies for XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2KrF<sub>2</sub>. <sup>*e*</sup> From Ref 268. <sup>*f*</sup> See Figure 9.8b for the atom labeling scheme. See Table 9.7 for the complete mode descriptions and calculated frequencies for 2XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub>. <sup>*g*</sup> Coupled to contributions from the adducted XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule in 2XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub>.

exptl <sup>a</sup>		$calcd^b$		assgnts $(C_1)^c$
-	SVWN	B3LYP	PBE1PBE	
908(14)	917(47)[51]	888(34)[35]	935(30)[39]	$v(Xe_1O_1)$
578(13)	610(4)[2]	586(5)[9]	613(10)[5]	$[v(Kr_1F_5) + v(Kr_2F_7)] - [v(Kr_1F_6) + v(Kr_2F_8)]$
551(1)	578(<1)[480]	577(<0.1)[54]	603(<0.1)[6]	$[v(Xe_1F_1) + v(Xe_1F_4)] - [v(Xe_1F_2) + v(Xe_1F_3)]$
	578(<1)[220]	575(<0.1)[255]	600(<0.1)[268]	$[v(Xe_1F_1) + v(Xe_1F_2)] - [v(Xe_1F_3) + v(Xe_1F_4)]$
598(2)	593(<1)[402]	566(<1)[910]	593(<1)[1014]	$[v(Kr_1F_5) + v(Kr_2F_8)] - [v(Kr_1F_6) + v(Kr_2F_7)]$
568(25), 562(10)	535(15)[3]	537(29)[2]	568(24)[2]	$v(Xe_1F_1) + v(Xe_1F_2) + v(Xe_1F_3) + v(Xe_1F_4)$
536(17), 533(20)	496(14)[0]	496(20)[0]	526(18)[0]	$[v(Xe_1F_1) + v(Xe_1F_3)] - [v(Xe_1F_2) + v(Xe_1F_4)]$
475(100)	499(290)[1]	488(229)[1]	519(195)[1]	$v(Kr_1F_5) + v(Kr_1F_6) + v(Kr_2F_7) + v(Kr_2F_8)$
	493(2)[58]	484(5)[55]	514(3)[79]	$[v(Kr_1F_5) + v(Kr_1F_6)] - [v(Kr_2F_7) + v(Kr_2F_8)]$
380(4)	320(2)[2]	336(2)[4]	355(2)[5]	$\delta(Xe_1F_1F_2O_1) + \delta(Xe_1F_3F_4O_1)$
377 sh	321(2)[3]	335(2)[4]	355(2)[5]	$\delta(Xe_1F_1F_4O_1) + \delta(Xe_1F_2F_3O_1)$
250 sh	$274(3)[2]^d$	276(1)[25]	292(1)[28]	$\delta_{\text{umb}}(Xe_1F_1F_2F_3F_4)$
	259(<0.1)[81] <sup>e</sup>	247(<1)[59]	261(<1)[57]	$\delta(F_5Kr_1F_6) + \delta(F_7Kr_2F_8)$
246(2)	263(2)[14]	246(1)[5]	260(1)[7]	$\delta(F_5Kr_1F_6) - \delta(F_7Kr_2F_8)$
237(2)	242(<1)[0]	237(<1)[<0.1]	251(<1)[<0.1]	$\rho_{w}(F_{5}Kr_{1}F_{6}) - \rho_{w}(F_{7}Kr_{2}F_{8})$
	240(<0.1)[14]	237(<0.1)[18]	251(<0.1)[18]	$\rho_{w}(F_{5}Kr_{1}F_{6}) + \rho_{w}(F_{7}Kr_{2}F_{8})$
176(2)	194(2)[<1]	208(2)[1]	215(2)[1]	$\delta(F_1Xe_1F_4) + \delta(F_2Xe_1F_3)$
	191(<1)[0]	189(<0.1)[0]	201(<0.1)[0]	$\rho_t(F_1Xe_1F_2) + \rho_t(F_3Xe_1F_4)$
163(2)	172(1)[9]	161(1)[4]	165(1)[3]	$\delta(F_1Xe_1F_4) - \delta(F_2Xe_1F_3)$
	132(<1)[1]	146(<1)[<1]	148(<1)[<1]	$\delta(F_1Xe_1F_2) - \delta(F_3Xe_1F_4)$
110(6)	122(7)[3]	94(8)[1]	95(7)[1]	def.
136(7)	130(2)[<1]	91(1)[1]	92(1)[1]	$\rho_{t}(F_{5}Kr_{1}F_{6}) + \rho_{t}(F_{7}Kr_{2}F_{8})$
	118(<1)[<0.1]	89(<1)[<0.1]	91(<1)[<0.1]	laf
	79(1)[3]	43(3)[5]	49(2)[5]	der.
	59(2)[0]	46(4)[0]	47(3)[0]	$\rho_{r}(F_{5}Kr_{1}F_{6}) + \rho_{r}(F_{7}Kr_{2}F_{8})$
	68(<1)[<0.1]	41(<1)[<0.1]	40(<1)[<0.1]	)
	56(2)[2]	28(1)[2]	30(1)[2]	
	34(<1)[<1]	18(<1)[<1]	18(<1)[<1]	def.
	43(1)[0]	16(1)[0]	18(1)[<0.1]	
	26(<0.1)[<1]	12(<1)[<1]	10(<1)[<1]	J

**Table 9.7.** Experimental Raman and Calculated Vibrational Frequencies (cm<sup>-1</sup>), Intensities, and Assignments for XeOF<sub>4</sub>·*n*KrF<sub>2</sub>

<sup>*a*</sup> The Raman spectrum was recorded on a microcrystalline solid sample in a FEP tube at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation. Experimental Raman intensities are given in parentheses and are relative intensities with the most intense band given as 100. The abbreviation denotes shoulder (sh). Bands assigned to KrF<sub>2</sub> were observed at 465 and 131 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>*b*</sup> Values in parentheses denote calculated Raman intensities (Å<sup>4</sup> u<sup>-1</sup>) and values in square brackets denote calculated infrared intensities (km mol<sup>-1</sup>). The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets were used. <sup>*c*</sup> Assignments are based on the PBE1PBE geometry. The atom labeling scheme refers to Figure 9.8b and the plane of symmetry is defined by the Xe<sub>1</sub>F<sub>1</sub>F<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>F<sub>4</sub> atoms. The abbreviations denote stretch (v), bend ( $\delta$ ), torsion ( $\rho_t$ ), wag ( $\rho_w$ ), rock ( $\rho_r$ ), and XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2KrF<sub>2</sub> deformation mode (def.). <sup>*d*</sup> At the SVWN level, the mode is out-of-phase coupled to  $\delta$ (F<sub>5</sub>Kr<sub>1</sub>F<sub>6</sub>) +  $\delta$ (F<sub>7</sub>Kr<sub>1</sub>F<sub>8</sub>). <sup>*e*</sup> At the SVWN level, the mode is in-phase coupled to  $\delta$ <sub>umb</sub>(Xe<sub>1</sub>F<sub>1</sub>F<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>F<sub>4</sub>).

### 9.2.4.1. XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub>.

The Raman spectrum of the XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> adduct (Figure 9.4) has been previously reported,<sup>75</sup> but the present work provides an in-depth assignment and description of the vibrational modes based on knowledge of the crystal structure. The spectrum is relatively simple and is comprised of nine bands indicating that there is no symmetry reduction for either XeOF<sub>4</sub> or XeF<sub>2</sub> upon adduct formation. The previous study noted that the Raman spectrum was essentially a composite spectrum of XeOF<sub>4</sub> and XeF<sub>2</sub> and it was therefore assigned to a XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> molecular addition compound.

In the crystal structure, the coordination sphere of XeF<sub>2</sub> is symmetric, giving rise to two crystallographically equivalent Xe–F bond lengths (vide supra). Therefore, as in free XeF<sub>2</sub>, only the band derived from the symmetric Xe–F stretch, i.e.  $v(Xe_2F_5) + v(Xe_2F_5')$  is Raman active (494 cm<sup>-1</sup>) with a frequency similar to that of free XeF<sub>2</sub> (497 cm<sup>-1</sup>).<sup>267</sup> The slight shift relative to that of free XeF<sub>2</sub> is indicative of adduct formation. Although the Xe–F stretch is overestimated for free XeF<sub>2</sub> (534 cm<sup>-1</sup>), the small shift to lower frequency is reproduced for 2XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> (523 cm<sup>-1</sup>). A small complexation shift has also been observed for IF<sub>5</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> (493 cm<sup>-1</sup>)<sup>269</sup> and 2[XeF<sub>5</sub>][AsF<sub>6</sub>]·XeF<sub>2</sub> (496 cm<sup>-1</sup>),<sup>79</sup> and is more pronounced for [Ag(XeF<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>][AsF<sub>6</sub>] (501 and 508 cm<sup>-1</sup>),<sup>111</sup> [Ba(XeF<sub>2</sub>)<sub>5</sub>][SbF<sub>6</sub>]<sub>2</sub> (521 cm<sup>-1</sup>),<sup>112</sup> and [M(XeF<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>][AsF<sub>6</sub>]<sub>2</sub> (M = Pb (514 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and Sr (531 cm<sup>-1</sup>)).<sup>115</sup> It is noteworthy that the calculated values for v(XeF<sub>5</sub>) – v(XeF<sub>5</sub>') (535 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and  $\delta(F_5XeF_5')$  (220 and 238 cm<sup>-1</sup>) are in good agreement with the experimental infrared values of free XeF<sub>2</sub> (555 and 213 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively). Only two modes at 576 and 282 cm<sup>-1</sup> reveal intermolecular vibrational coupling between the XeOF<sub>4</sub> and  $XeF_2$  molecules, and are both predicted to be Raman inactive. The band at 138 cm<sup>-1</sup> is assigned to the  $\rho_r(F_5XeF_5')$  bend associated with the coordinated  $XeF_2$  molecule.

The XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule in the crystal structure is also symmetrically coordinated and has local  $C_{4\nu}$  symmetry. The Xe–O stretch of XeOF<sub>4</sub> in XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> (904 cm<sup>-1</sup>) is shifted to lower frequency relative to that of the gas-phase molecule (928 cm<sup>-1</sup>).<sup>101</sup> The calculated shift of the v(XeO) stretch of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·4XeF<sub>2</sub> (930 cm<sup>-1</sup>) relative to that calculated for  $XeOF_4$  (936 cm<sup>-1</sup>) (see Table G2), is smaller that what is observed experimentally. The observed  $v_s(Xe_1F_{4e})$  band (575 cm<sup>-1</sup>) is comparable to that in the free molecule (577 cm<sup>-1</sup>),<sup>101</sup> whereas in XeOF<sub>4</sub>·4XeF<sub>2</sub>, the calculated  $v_s(Xe_1F_{4e})$  (569 cm<sup>-1</sup>) mode is predicted to be shifted relative to that of free  $XeOF_4$  (583 cm<sup>-1</sup>). The band at 536 cm<sup>-1</sup> is assigned to the asymmetric Xe-F stretching mode and is shifted to lower frequency compared to that of gaseous  $XeOF_4$  (543 cm<sup>-1</sup>). Although only one band is observed experimentally (536 cm<sup>-1</sup>), calculation for the energy-minimized structure of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·4XeF<sub>2</sub> predict that the asymmetric  $[v(Xe_1F_1) + v(Xe_1F_2)] - [v(Xe_1F_3) + v(Xe_1F_4)]$ stretch is a component of two modes, being coupled in-phase (522 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and out-of-phase  $(530 \text{ cm}^{-1})$  to the  $[v(Xe_2F_5) + v(Xe_4F_9)] - [v(Xe_3F_7) + v(Xe_5F_{11})]$  mode of the adducted  $XeF_2$  molecules, with the calculated band at 522 cm<sup>-1</sup> being predicted to be significantly more intense in the Raman spectrum than the calculated band at 530 cm<sup>-1</sup>. A similar discrepancy is also observed for the deformation mode,  $\delta(F_1Xe_1F_2) + \delta(F_3Xe_1F_4)$ , which is observed as a single band (196  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) shifted to lower frequency than that of gaseous  $XeOF_4$  (225 cm<sup>-1</sup>); whereas the calculated model predicts a split band (209 and 218 cm<sup>-1</sup>) because of coupling to XeF<sub>2</sub>; these two modes are shifted to lower frequency relative to

XeOF<sub>4</sub> (219 cm<sup>-1</sup>), in agreement with the experimental trend. This indicates that although the calculated model does not perfectly reproduce the experimental spectrum, it does provide a very close approximation of the local symmetry at the XeOF<sub>4</sub> center. The only band in the present structure that was not observed in either the spectrum of gaseous XeOF<sub>4</sub> or solid XeF<sub>2</sub> is at 99 cm<sup>-1</sup> and has been assigned to the  $\rho_r$ (XeOF<sub>4</sub>) mode.

### 9.2.4.2. XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub>.

The Raman spectrum of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> (Figure 9.5) also contained excess XeOF<sub>4</sub>. A pure sample of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> could not be isolated because both XeOF<sub>4</sub> and XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> are removed under dynamic vacuum at -20 or -40 °C (vide supra). The ratio of the bands in the Raman spectrum assigned to XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> and free XeOF<sub>4</sub> was constant after dynamic pumping on the sample at 0 °C for 2 h. The sample composition was similar to that used for crystal growth and it is reasonable to assume that the bands, other than those associated with XeOF<sub>4</sub>, can be associated with the XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> molecular addition compound characterized by X-ray crystallography.

The crystal structure of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> consists of two symmetry-independent KrF<sub>2</sub> molecules. The Kr–F bond lengths of each KrF<sub>2</sub> molecule are similar (1.896(3) and 1.889(2) Å) and do not differ significantly from the  $\alpha$ -phase of KrF<sub>2</sub> (1.894(5) Å).<sup>126</sup> As such, the Kr–F stretch of the adducted KrF<sub>2</sub> molecule (463 cm<sup>-1</sup>) is not significantly shifted when compared with that of solid KrF<sub>2</sub> (462 cm<sup>-1</sup>).<sup>268</sup> The calculated symmetric Kr–F stretch of the 2XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> adduct (520 cm<sup>-1</sup>) also does not show a large complexation shift when compared with that of the calculated gas-phase KrF<sub>2</sub> (525 cm<sup>-1</sup>) molecule, consistent with the small variation in the calculated Kr–F bond length for the

2XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> and KrF<sub>2</sub> structures (1.868 and 1.861 Å, respectively). The complexation shift of the present adduct is much less than those of MOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> adducts (M = Cr, 486 cm<sup>-1</sup>;<sup>125</sup> Mo, 479 and 462 cm<sup>-1</sup>;<sup>123</sup> W, 469 and 450 cm<sup>-1</sup> <sup>123</sup>) indicating that the bonding in the present structure differs significantly from those of MOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub>. The only other band associated with the adducted KrF<sub>2</sub> molecule is the  $\rho_r(F_5Kr_1F_5')_{ip}$  bend (132 cm<sup>-1</sup>) which is not observed for the gas-phase molecule.

The vibrational modes associated with the adducted XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule are more complex than those of the gas-phase molecule. The Xe–O stretch (918  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) of the adduct is shifted to lower frequency when compared with that of gaseous  $XeOF_4$  (928 cm<sup>-1</sup>), consistent with the formation of an adduct. The Xe-O stretch calculated for the XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2KrF<sub>2</sub> adduct (935 cm<sup>-1</sup>) does not show a significant complexation shift when compared with that calculated for the gas-phase  $XeOF_4$  molecule (936 cm<sup>-1</sup>). The absence of a shift likely occurs because the XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2KrF<sub>2</sub> model does not take into account all of the secondary bonding interactions that are present in the crystal structure. The Xe-F stretching region is much more complex and is consistent with a lowering of the  $C_{4\nu}$ symmetry of the gas-phase free molecule to  $C_1$  of the calculated XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2KrF<sub>2</sub> adduct. This results in four distinct Xe–F stretches which are all observed in the present spectrum. The symmetric Xe-F stretching mode (568  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) is shifted to lower frequency when compared to that of free XeOF<sub>4</sub> (577 cm<sup>-1</sup>), similar to the shift observed for the Xe–O stretch. There are relatively few low-frequency modes observed in the present spectrum which may result from overlap with bands from excess XeOF<sub>4</sub> that could not be resolved.
# 9.2.4.3. XeOF<sub>4</sub>·*n*KrF<sub>2</sub>.

The reaction of excess  $KrF_2$  with XeOF<sub>4</sub> leads to a mixture of phases, one of which has been identified as XeOF<sub>4</sub>·*n*KrF<sub>2</sub>. The spectrum corresponding to XeOF<sub>4</sub>·*n*KrF<sub>2</sub> (Figure 9.6) also contains two bands that are tentatively assigned to uncomplexed KrF<sub>2</sub>. This new spectrum, which differs significantly different from that of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub>, reveals a new phase in which the coordination of the KrF<sub>2</sub> molecule is not consistent with the coordination in the crystal structure. The Raman spectrum is in good agreement with the calculated frequencies and intensities of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2KrF<sub>2</sub> which contains end-on coordinated KrF<sub>2</sub> molecules.

The two fluorine atoms on each  $KrF_2$  molecule are rendered non-equivalent because end-on coordination to XeOF<sub>4</sub> results in four predicted Kr–F stretching modes, three of which are observed. The most intense band in the spectrum is assigned to the symmetric Kr–F stretch (475 cm<sup>-1</sup>) which is overestimated compared to the calculated structure (519 cm<sup>-1</sup>). This band is shifted to higher frequency when compared with that of free KrF<sub>2</sub> (462 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and is similar to the shift of the most intense Kr–F stretch observed for [BrOF<sub>2</sub>][AsF<sub>6</sub>]·2KrF<sub>2</sub> (472 cm<sup>-1</sup>) which contains two end-on coordinated KrF<sub>2</sub> molecules. The complexation shift of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·*n*KrF<sub>2</sub> is also similar to that observed for the MOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> adducts (M = Cr, 486 cm<sup>-1</sup>;<sup>125</sup> Mo, 479 and 462 cm<sup>-1</sup>;<sup>123</sup> W, 469 and 450 cm<sup>-1</sup> 12<sup>3</sup>) indicating that the bonding in these adducts is similar.

The remaining three Kr–F stretching modes are out-of-phase coupled. Two are observed in the present spectrum (578 and 598 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and are comparable to those of the  $MOF_4$ ·KrF<sub>2</sub> adducts (M = Mo, 566 and 579 cm<sup>-1</sup>;<sup>123</sup> W, 571 and 581 cm<sup>-1</sup> <sup>123</sup>) but appear

at much higher frequency than those of the  $[BrOF_2][AsF_6]\cdot 2KrF_2$  (533 and 549 cm<sup>-1</sup>)<sup>124</sup> and  $CrOF_4\cdot KrF_2$  adducts (550 cm<sup>-1</sup>).<sup>125</sup> This indicates that the bonding in XeOF<sub>4</sub>·*n*KrF<sub>2</sub> is likely to be more similar to MOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> (M = Mo, W) than to  $[BrOF_2][AsF_6]\cdot 2KrF_2$  and  $CrOF_4\cdot KrF_2$ .

The observed Xe–O stretch of the adduct (908  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) is shifted to lower frequency when compared with that of gaseous  $XeOF_4$  (928 cm<sup>-1</sup>).<sup>101</sup> The low-frequency shift is consistent with donation of electron density from the KrF<sub>2</sub> molecules to the Xe atom of XeOF<sub>4</sub> weakening the Xe–O bond. The calculated Xe–O stretch of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·nKrF<sub>2</sub> (935 cm<sup>-1</sup>), however, does not mirror this trend when compared with the Xe–O stretch of  $XeOF_4$  (935 cm<sup>-1</sup>), indicating that the model adduct does not completely account for all of the secondary bonding interactions. The symmetric Xe–F stretch (562/568  $cm^{-1}$ ) is shifted to lower frequency when compared to that of the gas-phase  $XeOF_4$  (577 cm<sup>-1</sup>)<sup>101</sup> molecule or  $XeOF_4 \cdot XeF_2$  (575 cm<sup>-1</sup>) adduct (vide supra). The calculated structure of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2KrF<sub>2</sub> adduct predicts a shift of the symmetric Xe–F stretch (568 cm<sup>-1</sup>) to lower frequency relative to that of gaseous  $XeOF_4$  (583 cm<sup>-1</sup>) which is in agreement with the present findings. The remaining Xe-F stretches (533/536, and 551 cm<sup>-1</sup>) are assigned to asymmetric Xe-F stretches which are in good agreement with the calculated structure. These bands appear in the same range as the two asymmetric Xe-F stretches of XeOF<sub>4</sub>  $(543 \text{ and } 609 \text{ cm}^{-1})^{101}$  and the one stretch observed for XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> (536 cm<sup>-1</sup>) (vide supra).

#### 9.2.5. Computational Results.

The energy-minimized geometries of  $2XeOF_4 \cdot NgF_2(C_{2\nu})$  (Ng = Xe, Kr) (Figure 9.7b and 9.8b),  $XeOF_4 \cdot 2KrF_2(C_1)$ , and  $XeOF_4 \cdot 4XeF_2(C_4)$  (Figure 9.7a) were obtained at the SVWN, B3LYP and PBE1PBE levels of theory and resulted in stationary points with all frequencies real, except for  $2XeOF_4 \cdot XeF_2$  and  $XeOF_4 \cdot 4XeF_2$  which had two imaginary frequencies at the B3LYP level. The energy-minimized geometries and vibrational frequencies for  $XeOF_4(C_{4\nu})$ , (Table G6)  $XeF_2(D_{\infty h})$ , and  $KrF_2(D_{\infty h})$  (Table G7), were also obtained at the SVWN, B3LYP and PBE1PBE levels of theory for use as benchmarks.

The structure of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2NgF<sub>2</sub> was calculated to mimic the local NgF<sub>2</sub> environment in the crystal structures of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·NgF<sub>2</sub>. In the crystal structures, the XeF<sub>2</sub> molecule is symmetrically coordinated to two XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecules; the KrF<sub>2</sub> molecule is symmetrically coordinated to two or four XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecules, and in all cases, the local symmetry (including the Xe···F bridge interactions with XeOF<sub>4</sub>) of the NgF<sub>2</sub> molecule is  $C_s$  (see X-ray Crystallography). In 2XeOF<sub>4</sub>·NgF<sub>2</sub>, the NgF<sub>2</sub> molecule is symmetrically coordinated to two XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecules providing a local environment for the NgF<sub>2</sub> molecule that is a good approximation of that in the crystal structure. The XeOF<sub>4</sub>·AXeF<sub>2</sub> and XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2KrF<sub>2</sub> structures were calculated to mimic the local environment of XeOF<sub>4</sub> in the crystal structure of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·NgF<sub>2</sub>. In XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub>, each XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule has four short contacts to fluorine atoms of an adjacent XeF<sub>2</sub> molecule, whereas in XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub>, the XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule has two short contacts to KrF<sub>2</sub> molecules and two additional long contacts (see Section 9.2.3). The XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2KrF<sub>2</sub> structure was also used as a model for the



**Figure 9.7.** Calculated PBE1PBE/aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) gas-phase geometry for (a)  $XeOF_4 \cdot 4XeF_2$  ( $C_4$ ) and (b)  $2XeOF_4 \cdot XeF_2$  ( $C_{2h}$ ).



 $F_{5}$ 

 $F_{3}$ 

 $F_4$ 

structure of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·*n*KrF<sub>2</sub>. In XeOF<sub>4</sub>·4XeF<sub>2</sub> ( $C_4$  symmetry), the XeF<sub>2</sub> molecules are symmetrically coordinated to the XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule giving a good approximation of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> in the crystal structure. The XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2KrF<sub>2</sub> structure ( $C_1$  symmetry) only takes into account two short KrF<sub>2</sub> contacts, but still provides a good approximation of the XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule in the crystal structure.

## 9.2.5.1. Calculated Geometries

The energy-minimized geometries for  $2XeOF_4 \cdot NgF_2$  (Ng = Xe, Kr) (Table 9.3 and 9.4), XeOF<sub>4</sub>·4XeF<sub>2</sub> (Table 9.3), and XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2KrF<sub>2</sub> (Table 9.4) are similar at all levels, although the SVWN geometries predict significantly shorter Xe---F contacts. Although identical trends are expected at all levels, the values calculated at the PBE1PBE level provide the best overall agreement with experiment and are explicitly referred to.

## 9.2.5.1.1. $2XeOF_4 \cdot NgF_2$ (Ng = Xe, Kr).

The Xe<sub>1</sub>–F<sub>5</sub> (1.999 Å) and Kr–F<sub>5</sub> (1.868 Å) bond lengths are slightly underestimated when compared with experiment (2.104(5) and 1.896(3) Å, respectively). As expected and observed in the experimental structures, they are slightly elongated when compared with the calculated free molecule (1.986 and 1.861 Å, respectively).

The Xe···F<sub>5</sub> contact length (2.890 Å) in 2XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> is significantly underestimated when compared with experiment (3.239(4) Å). The discrepancy may be linked to the simplified model which involves one XeOF<sub>4</sub> group per fluorine atom, instead of two XeOF<sub>4</sub> groups per fluorine atom in the experimental structure, resulting in a shorter calculated Xe<sub>1</sub>···F<sub>5</sub> contact. In contrast, the Xe<sub>1</sub>···F<sub>5</sub> contact (2.943 Å) in

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 $2XeOF_4 \cdot KrF_2$  is in very good agreement with the two short contacts in the crystal structure of  $XeOF_4 \cdot KrF_2$  (2.962(2) and 3.009(3) Å).

The Xe<sub>1</sub>-F<sub>1,2</sub> (1.935 and 1.933 Å, respectively) bond lengths of the XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule are slightly elongated when compared with those of Xe<sub>1</sub>-F<sub>3,4</sub> (1.925 and 1.924 Å, respectively). The asymmetry in the bond lengths results in the calculated structure having  $C_{2\nu}$  symmetry instead of local  $C_{4\nu}$  symmetry observed in the crystal structure. The Xe-F bond lengths of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·NgF<sub>2</sub> (Ng = Xe, 1.900(3); Kr, 1.893(2) Å) and those calculated for XeOF<sub>4</sub> (1.924 Å) do not show this asymmetry.

#### 9.2.5.1.2. XeOF<sub>4</sub>·4XeF<sub>2</sub> and XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2KrF<sub>2</sub>.

The calculated Xe<sub>1</sub>–O<sub>1</sub> and Xe<sub>1</sub>–F<sub>1</sub> bond lengths of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·4XeF<sub>2</sub> (1.727 and 1.928 Å) and XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2KrF<sub>2</sub> (1.726 and 1.933 Å) are in good agreement with the experimental values for XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> (1.729(7) and 1.900(3) Å), XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> (1.711(2) and 1.893 to 1.913(3) Å), and the gas-phase microwave (1.70(5) and 1.95(5) Å) and electron diffraction (1.71(1) and 1.901(3) Å) structures of XeOF<sub>4</sub>, respectively and with the calculated values for free XeOF<sub>4</sub> (1.726 and 1.924 Å). The calculated O<sub>1</sub>–Xe<sub>1</sub>–F<sub>1</sub> bond angles of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·4XeF<sub>2</sub> (90.3°) and XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2KrF<sub>2</sub> (90.9°) are close to 90°, in agreement with the experimental bond angles of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> (89.2(1)°) and XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> (89.4(1) to 90.1(1)°). This near 90° bond angle contrasts with the O–Xe–F bond angles calculated for gas-phase XeOF<sub>4</sub> (92.0°). The slightly smaller bond angle results from the increased steric repulsion between the equatorial fluorine atoms of XeOF<sub>4</sub> and the fluorine atoms of the coordinated NgF<sub>2</sub> molecules. The Xe<sub>1</sub>…F<sub>5</sub> contacts of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·4XeF<sub>2</sub> (3.357 Å) and XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2KrF<sub>2</sub> (2.957 Å) are in good agreement with experiment for XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> (3.239(4) Å) and XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> (2.962(2) and 3.009(3) Å) although the asymmetry of the Xe…F contacts in the crystal structure of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> is not reproduced by the calculated structure of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2KrF<sub>2</sub>. The Ng–F<sub>5</sub> bond lengths of the adducted NgF<sub>2</sub> molecules are rendered non-equivalent because of coordination to XeOF<sub>4</sub>. The adducted Ng–F<sub>5</sub> bond lengths (Xe<sub>2</sub>, 2.006 Å and Kr<sub>1</sub>, 1.884 Å) are underestimated when compared with the experimental values (Xe<sub>2</sub>, 2.104(5) Å and Kr<sub>1</sub>, 1.896(3) Å). Both bond lengths are longer than those of the calculated gas-phase NgF<sub>2</sub> molecules (Xe, 1.986 and Kr, 1.861 Å).

The Ng–F<sub>5</sub>---Xe<sub>1</sub> bond angle of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·4XeF<sub>2</sub> (122.7°) is slightly more open than that of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2KrF<sub>2</sub> (117.5°). The increased Xe–F<sub>5</sub>---Xe angle in XeOF<sub>4</sub>·4XeF<sub>2</sub> compared to the experimental structure (116.8(1)°) is likely a result of additional intermolecular contacts in the crystal structure that are not taken into account in the present model. To the contrary, the Kr–F---Xe angle for XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2KrF<sub>2</sub> is more closed than in the experimental structure (123.4(1) and 145.4(1)°), which is likely a result of the higher coordination in the crystal structure causing more repulsion between fluorine atoms of each KrF<sub>2</sub> molecule.

The calculated NgF<sub>2</sub> molecules have near-linear F–Ng–F bond angles (Xe<sub>2</sub>, 179.0 and Kr<sub>1</sub>, 174.4°) which are comparable to those in the crystal structures (Xe, 180.00(0) and Kr, 178.96(7)°).

#### 9.2.5.2. Charges, Valencies, and Bond Orders.

The Natural Bond Orbital (NBO)<sup>181-184</sup> analyses were carried out for the SVWN-, B3LYP-, and PBE1PBE-optimized gas-phase geometries of  $2XeOF_4 \cdot NgF_2$  (Ng = Xe, Kr) (Table G8),  $XeOF_4 \cdot 4XeF_2$ ,  $XeOF_4 \cdot 2KrF_2$  (Table G9)  $XeOF_4$  (Table G10),  $XeF_2$ , and  $KrF_2$ (Table G11). Although all values are similar and because the PBE1PBE geometries better reproduce the experimental geometries (see Section 9.2.5.1), only the PBE1PBE values are explicitly referred to in the ensuing discussion.

The natural population analyses (NPA) give positive charges of 3.17, 3.16, 3.18 and 3.18 for the Xe<sub>1</sub> of the XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule in the structures of 2XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub>, 2XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub>, XeOF<sub>4</sub>·4XeF<sub>2</sub>, and XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2KrF<sub>2</sub>, respectively. The charges on the Ng atoms are 1.26, 1.06, 1.24, 1.05, respectively, with the smaller charges being associated with the Kr atoms. The F<sub>5</sub> atoms directly bonded to the Ng atom in 2XeOF<sub>4</sub>·NgF<sub>2</sub> (Ng = Xe, Kr), have a charge of -0.63 and -0.53, respectively. The charges reveal that the Xe–F bond is more polar as compared to that of the Kr–F bond in agreement with the increased electronegativity of Kr as opposed to Xe. The fluorine and oxygen atoms all have a negative charge indicating that the bonding in the XeOF<sub>4</sub> and NgF<sub>2</sub> molecules is polar covalent.

The Xe–O (0.93) and Xe–F (0.39) bond orders in all structures are the same and suggest very little influence due to the different coordination motifs of the XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecules in the four structures. These values are also very close to those of gaseous XeOF<sub>4</sub> (0.94 and 0.40, respectively), indicating that association of the NgF<sub>2</sub> molecules does not greatly affect the bond orders of the XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule.

The Ng–F bond orders of the symmetrically coordinated XeF<sub>2</sub> (0.31) and KrF<sub>2</sub> (0.32) molecules of 2XeOF<sub>4</sub>·NgF<sub>2</sub> (Ng = Xe, Kr, respectively) are very similar to those of the free XeF<sub>2</sub> (0.29) and KrF<sub>2</sub> (0.31) molecules. The Ng–F bond orders in the XeOF<sub>4</sub>·4XeF<sub>2</sub> and XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2KrF<sub>2</sub> structures are asymmetric (XeF<sub>2</sub>, 0.28 and 0.31; KrF<sub>2</sub>, 0.29 and 0.34, respectively), and the smaller Ng–F bond order is associated with the adducted fluorine atom.

The Xe<sub>1</sub>---F bond orders in all four structures are all less that 0.04, indicating that the interactions between XeOF<sub>4</sub> and NgF<sub>2</sub> are weak. The Xe<sub>1</sub>---F bond order in  $2XeOF_4 \cdot NgF_2$  does not change upon coordination of XeF<sub>2</sub> (0.03) or (0.03). In contrast, the Xe<sub>1</sub>---F bond order in the XeOF<sub>4</sub>·4XeF<sub>2</sub> structure (0.01) is significantly less that that of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2KrF<sub>2</sub> (0.03), and is likely a result of the bonding being distributed between four molecules for XeOF<sub>4</sub>·4XeF<sub>2</sub> rather than two for XeOF<sub>4</sub>·2KrF<sub>2</sub>.

### 9.3. Conclusions.

The XeOF<sub>4</sub>·NgF<sub>2</sub> (Ng = Xe, Kr) addition compounds have been synthesized by reaction of NgF<sub>2</sub> with XeOF<sub>4</sub>. The XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> structure provides the first example of a compound containing a bridging KrF<sub>2</sub> molecule, and the first example of a mixed Xe/Kr noble-gas compound. In the solid state, the XeOF<sub>4</sub>·NgF<sub>2</sub> addition compounds are formulated as 1:1 adducts. The NgF<sub>2</sub> molecules are symmetrically coordinated to two or four XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecules. The Xe atoms of both XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecules are nine-coordinate, including three or four contacts to NgF<sub>2</sub> molecules, and the coordination sphere of Xe is based on a monocapped square antiprism. The <sup>19</sup>F and <sup>129</sup>Xe NMR spectra of solutions of NgF<sub>2</sub> in XeOF<sub>4</sub> do not show any evidence for an associated compound in solution. The calculated structures of  $2XeOF_4 \cdot NgF_2$ ,  $XeOF_4 \cdot 2KrF_2$ , and  $XeOF_4 \cdot 4XeF_2$  have been used to provide close approximations of the local environments of the NgF<sub>2</sub> and XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecules in the experimental structures. The vibrational modes of both molecular addition compounds have been described based on these calculated structures, with little vibrational coupling between the XeOF<sub>4</sub> and NgF<sub>2</sub> molecules. A different phase of a XeOF<sub>4</sub>  $\cdot nKrF_2$  addition compound has also been synthesized and assigned based on the calculated structure for XeOF<sub>4</sub>  $\cdot 2KrF_2$ .

## **CHAPTER 10**

## **CONCLUSIONS AND DIRECTIONS FOR FUTURE WORK**

## **10.1.** Conclusions

The chemistry of osmium in the plus eight oxidation state was significantly extended in the present work. The fluoride ion donor and acceptor properties of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> were further investigated through the synthesis and full structural characterization of [cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>] and the spectroscopic characterization of the cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> anion. The previously known cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> cation exists in the solid state as a closely associated ion pair with the Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>-</sup> rendering the coordination sphere of the Os atom pseudo-octahedral with a cis-dioxo arrangement.

The cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> anion has been shown to exist as a monocapped trigonal prism both in the solid state by Raman spectroscopy and in solution by <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectroscopy. Attempts to crystallize the anion were unsuccessful, but did yield a series of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[M][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] structures (M = Cs<sup>+</sup> and N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>) which result from abstraction of a proton from the CH<sub>3</sub>CN solvent by a fluoride ion donated by *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> form to cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>−</sup>, and HF. The crystal structure of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF offers further substantiation for this reaction pathway because the HF molecule is present in the crystal structure. Each of these structures provides the first examples of non-disordered cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> molecule and the first crystal structures containing an isolated CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> anion. The cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> molecule was also crystallized independently from a XeF<sub>6</sub> melt. All of the structures confirm the *cis*-dioxo

octahedral geometry for cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> and provide the most precise geometric parameters available for cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>.

Reactions of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> with the Xe(VI) compounds XeF<sub>6</sub> and XeOF<sub>4</sub> led to the syntheses of  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3],$  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3],$  $[XeF_5][\mu - F(OsO_3F_2)_2],$ and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$ . The  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$ ,  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ , and  $[XeF_5][\mu-F(OsO_3F_2)_2]$ salts were synthesized by means of stoichiometric reactions between XeF<sub>6</sub> and fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>. The crystal structures consist of highly associated ion pairs. The xenon atoms in the  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  and  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO\_3F\_2)\_2] salts are each 9-coordinate with the light atoms forming a distorted mono-capped square antiprism arrangement. The  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] salt is unique because it is the only example of a 9-coordinate xenon atom in which all nine contacts to xenon are within a single ion pair whereas all other examples in the literature contain both intra- and inter-ion pair contacts. The xenon atom of the  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$  salt is 8-coordinate, and all contacts are also within the ion pair.

Dissolution of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> in XeOF<sub>4</sub> solvent led to the isolation of the fluorine bridged (fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·2XeOF<sub>4</sub> adduct upon removal of the solvent. The (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub> dimer is coordinated to XeOF<sub>4</sub> through a short fluorine bridge rendering both the OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub> units and XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule octahedral. The (OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub> dimer was isolated by removal of the adducted XeOF<sub>4</sub> under dynamic vacuum and was characterized by Raman spectroscopy. The dimer rearranges back to the polymer when held at 25 °C for 1 h. Attempts to crystallize the dimer from CH<sub>3</sub>CN solvent led to fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)·2CH<sub>3</sub>CN. Characterization of the OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) adduct in SO<sub>2</sub>ClF solution reveals the presence of both the *fac*- and *mer*- isomers providing a rare example of a *mer*-trioxo  $d^0$  transition metal compound.

The study of noble-gas difluoride molecular addition compounds of XeOF<sub>4</sub> was carried out for XeF<sub>2</sub> and KrF<sub>2</sub>. The characterization of the XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> adduct confirmed the previous findings but provided the first complete assignment of the Raman spectrum and its crystal structure. The XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> adduct was also synthesized but crystallizes in a different space group and contains two crystallographically independent KrF<sub>2</sub> molecules. For both XeOF<sub>4</sub>·NgF<sub>2</sub> (Ng = Kr or Xe) the Xe atoms of the XeOF<sub>4</sub> atoms are 9-coordinate with the XeF<sub>2</sub> adduct having four long contacts to XeF<sub>2</sub> molecules, while for the KrF<sub>2</sub> adduct there are three contacts to KrF<sub>2</sub> molecules and one to an adjacent XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecule. In all cases, both fluorine atoms of NgF<sub>2</sub> molecules are coordinated to one or more different XeOF<sub>4</sub> molecules.

#### **10.2.** Directions for Future Work

The  $OsO_3F_2(NCCH_3)$  adduct synthesized in the present work suggests that the syntheses of other nitrogen base adducts of Os(VIII) oxide fluorides should be possible. One avenue of research would be to attempt the reaction of other nitrogen bases such as  $NSF_3$  (eq 10.1) and HCN (eq 10.2) with  $OsO_3F_2$  either as neat solutions at low

$$OsO_3F_2 + NSF_3 \xrightarrow{NSF_3} OsO_3F_2(NSF_3)$$
 (10.1)

$$OsO_3F_2 + HCN \longrightarrow OsO_3F_2(NCH)$$
 (10.2)

temperature in HF solvent to form the  $OsO_3F_2(NSF_3)$  and  $OsO_3F_2(NCH)$  complexes. If formed, the  $OsO_3F_2(NSF_3)$  adduct would represent a rare Os---N-S linkage. In HF solvent, the  $OsO_3F_2(NSF_3)$  adduct may undergo solvolysis at higher temperatures in HF solvent to first form  $OsO_3F_2(N(H)SF_4)$  (eq 10.3) and subsequently  $OsO_3F_2(N(H_2)SF_5)$  (eq 10.4). A second possible direction would be to attempt the dissolution of  $[OsO_3F][PnF_6]$ 

$$OsO_3F_2(NSF_3) + HF \xrightarrow{HF} OsO_3F_2(N(H)SF_4)$$
 (10.3)

$$OsO_{3}F_{2}(N(H)SF_{4}) + 2HF \xrightarrow{HF} OsO_{3}F_{2}(N(H_{2})SF_{5})$$
(10.4)

(Pn = As, Sb) or  $[OsO_3F][Sb_3F_{16}]$  in CH<sub>3</sub>CN to form the adduct cation,  $OsO_3F(NCCH_3)_2^+$ (eq 10.5). While the  $OsO_3F^+$  cation is likely to be aggressively oxidizing, if this reaction

$$[OsO_3F][PnF_6] + 2CH_3CN \xrightarrow{CH_3CN} [OsO_3F(NCCH_3)_2][PnF_6]$$
 (10.5)  
is carried out at low-temperature it may be possible to stabilize the adduct cation. By  
analogy to the *fac*- and *mer*-OsO\_3F\_2(NCCH\_3) adducts, the OsO\_3F(NCCH\_3)\_2<sup>+</sup> may exist as  
a mixture of *fac*- and *mer*-isomers.

Attempts to react  $OsO_4$  with XeF<sub>6</sub> as an extension of the  $[Xe_nF_{5n+1}][OsO_3F_3]$ (n = 1, 2) salts that were synthesized in the present work should be attempted. There are three possible reaction pathways that such a reaction could take: (1) Xenon hexafluoride is known to fluorinate the transition metal oxide fluorides MO<sub>3</sub>F (M = Re,<sup>45</sup> Tc<sup>200</sup>) to form MO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub> (eq 10.6) and, by analogy, XeF<sub>6</sub> may fluorinate OsO<sub>4</sub> to form OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub> (eq 10.7) which would represent a new synthetic pathway to *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>. (2) Osmium

$$MO_3F + XeF_6 \xrightarrow{HF} MO_2F_3 + XeOF_4$$
 (M = Re, Tc) (10.6)

$$OsO_4 + XeF_6 \longrightarrow OsO_3F_2 + XeOF_4$$
 (10.7)

tetroxide is known to act as a fluoride ion acceptor towards [Cs][F],<sup>24</sup>  $[N(CH_3)_4][F]$ ,<sup>23</sup> and  $[Rb][F]^{24}$  and XeF<sub>6</sub> can act as a fluoride ion donor, therefore, it may be possible to form a  $[Xe_nF_{5n+1}][OsO_4F]$  (n = 1,2) salt (eq 10.8). (3) There may be no reaction but rather an

adduct such as  $OsO_4$ ·2XeF<sub>6</sub> could be formed (eq 10.9). If the second or third reaction

$$XeF_6 + OsO_4 \longrightarrow [XeF_5][OsO_4F]$$
(10.8)

$$2XeF_6 + OsO_4 \longrightarrow OsO_4 \cdot 2XeF_6 \tag{10.9}$$

pathways proves viable, it would be very interesting to determine the geometries of such compounds to see if the Os atoms are octahedral or trigonal bipyramidal and what kind of interaction they would have with the Xe atoms. Also it would be interesting to determine the coordination sphere around each xenon atoms.

The pentafluorooxotellurate (OTeF<sub>5</sub>) group has been previously used as a substitute for fluorine in high-oxidation state oxo-compounds such as  $\text{ReO}_2(\text{OTeF}_5)_3$ ,<sup>270</sup>  $\text{ReO}(\text{OTeF}_5)_5$ ,<sup>271</sup>  $\text{MoO}(\text{OTeF}_5)_4$ ,<sup>272</sup>  $\text{OsO}(\text{OTeF}_5)_4^{272}$  and  $\text{WO}(\text{OTeF}_5)_4$ .<sup>273</sup> The syntheses of the OTeF<sub>5</sub> analogues of *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>, *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>, the OsO<sub>4</sub>F<sup>-</sup> and the *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> anions by reaction of either B(OTeF<sub>5</sub>)\_3 or [N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][OTeF<sub>5</sub>] (eqs 10.10-10.13) should be possible.

$$3fac-OsO_3F_2 + 2B(OTeF_5)_3 \longrightarrow 3OsO_3(OTeF_5)_2 + 2BF_3$$
(10.10)

$$3cis-OsO_2F_4 + 4B(OTeF_5)_3 \longrightarrow 3cis-OsO_2(OTeF_5)_4 + 4BF_3$$
(10.11)

$$OsO_4 + [N(CH_3)_4][OTeF_5] \longrightarrow [N(CH_3)_4][OsO_4(OTeF_5)]$$
(10.12)

$$OsO_3(OTeF_5)_2 + [N(CH_3)_4][OTeF_5] \longrightarrow [N(CH_3)_4][OsO_3(OTeF_5)_3] \quad (10.13)$$

This series of compounds should provide an interesting structural study to determine if the large  $OTeF_5$  ligands are able to alter the predominant *cis*- or *fac*-trioxo arrangement of all other Os(VIII) compounds.

Synthesis of the highest oxide fluoride of Os(VIII),  $OsOF_6$ , should be attempted. A computational study on the stability of  $OsOF_6$  predicts that it should be stable towards all unimolecular gas-phase decomposition channels, however, it should be unstable towards bimolecular channels.<sup>187</sup> Based on the predicted thermodynamic stability of OsOF<sub>6</sub> it may be possible to synthesize it at low temperatures. Reaction of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> with the strongest oxidizers KrF<sub>2</sub> and [KrF][AsF<sub>6</sub>] does not proceed, but it may be possible to use KrF<sub>2</sub> or KrF<sup>+</sup> to oxidize the OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> (eq 10.14) or OsOF<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> (eq 10.15)

$$KrF_2 + [Cs][OsO_2F_5] \longrightarrow [Cs][OsOF_7] + Kr + \frac{1}{2}O_2$$
(10.14)

$$KrF_2 + [Cs][OsOF_5] \longrightarrow [Cs][OsOF_7] + Kr$$
 (10.15)

anions to form an  $OsOF_7^-$  salt because of the inherent greater stabilities of anions when compared with cations and neutral species. Another possible route to  $OsOF_6$  would be to oxidize the known Os(VII) compound  $OsOF_5^{274}$  with KrF<sub>2</sub> (eq 10.16) which could provide a direct route to  $OsOF_6$ .

$$OsOF_5 + KrF_2 \longrightarrow OsOF_6 + Kr + \frac{1}{2}F_2$$
(10.16)

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*cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF (Figure C2) structure packs so that *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> and Cs<sup>+</sup> units alternate within a column and the CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sup>-</sup> and HF molecules alternate within an adjacent column. The *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] (Figure C3) structure packs so that the *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup>, and N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> units stack in columns along the *a*-, *b*-, and *c*-axes and are offset so that columns of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup>, and N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> units are adjacent to one another.

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are: F…F (2.94 Å), F…O (2.99 Å), F…C (3.17 Å), F…N (3.02 Å), O…O (3.04 Å), O…C (3.22 Å), O…N (3.07 Å), C…C (3.40 Å), C…N (3.25 Å), N…N (3.10 Å).

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  F(1)···H(5B) (2.469 Å) to F(2)···H(3C) (2.740 Å), O(1)···O(3D) (2.897(3) Å),
  O(3)···H(9D) (2.557 Å) to O(3)···H(1E) (2.861 Å), O(3)···C(2E) (3.094(4) Å),
  N(3)···H(1F) (2.601 Å), N(3)···C(1F) (3.206(5) Å) to N(3)···C(2G) (3.434(5) Å), and
  C(1)···C(5F) (3.471(5) Å). The corresponding sums of the van der Waals radii (taken from Ref 165) are: [F···F (2.94 Å), F···O (2.99 Å), F···N (3.02 Å), F···H (2.67 Å), F···C (3.17 Å), O···O (3.04 Å), O···N (3.07 Å), O···H (2.72 Å), O···C (3.22 Å),

N…N (3.10 Å), N…H (2.75 Å), N…C (3.25 Å), H…H (2.40 Å), H…C (2.90 Å) and C…C (3.40 Å)]

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- 249. The ranges of long contacts in [XeF<sub>5</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] are: F(3)…F(4A) (2.843(4) Å) to F(3)…F(4B) (3.171(4) Å); O(3)…O(3C) (2.874(8) Å) to O(1)…O(2D) (3.205(5) Å); O(2)…F(2E) (2.695(4) Å) to O(2)…F(7A) (3.280(43) Å); Xe(1)…F(3F) (3.787(2) Å) to Xe(1)…F(5D) (3.926(3) Å); There are no short Xe…O contacts. The corresponding sums of the van der Waals radii (taken from Ref 165) are: F…F (2.94 Å), O…O (3.04 Å), F…O (2.99 Å), and Xe…F(3.63 Å).
- 250. The ranges of long contacts in [Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>][OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>] are: F(7)…F(10B) (2.715(3) Å) to F(6)…F(10B) (3.110(3) Å); F(11)…O(2C) (2.897(4) Å) to F(3)…O(3A) (3.161(3) Å); Xe(1)…F(4D) (3.817(2) Å) to Xe(2)…F(10B) (3.820(2) Å); Xe(1)…O(1A) (3.355(2) Å) to Xe(2)…O(3A) (3.356(2) Å); There are no short O…O contacts. The corresponding sums of the van der Waals radii (taken from Ref 165) are: F…F (2.94 Å), F…O (2.99 Å), Xe…F(3.63 Å), and Xe…O (3.68 Å).

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there are no short Xe···Xe or Xe···O contacts and short Xe···F contacts are discussed in the text. The corresponding sums of the van der Waals radii (taken from Ref 165) are: F···F (2.94 Å), F···O (2.99 Å), O···O (3.04 Å), Kr···F (3.49 Å), Kr···O (3.54 Å), Xe···F(3.63 Å), and Xe···O (3.68 Å).

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#### **APPENDIX A**

## CHAPTER 3: FLUORIDE ION DONOR PROPERTIES OF *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>; SYNTHESIS, RAMAN SPECROSCOPIC STUDY, AND X-RAY CRYSTAL STRUCTURE OF [OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>][Sb<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub>]



**Figure A1.** View of  $[OsO_2F_3][Sb_2F_{11}]$  crystallographic unit cell along the *c*-axis.

SVW <sup>a,b</sup>	B3LYP <sup>a,c</sup>		assgnts $(C_1)^d$
998(63)[83]	1040(69)[57]	-	$v(OsO_1)$
980(60)[23]	1016(11)[91]		$v(OsO_2)$
726(2)[134]	709(<1)[201]		$v(OsF_2) - v(OsF_3)$
702(72)[42]	698(26)[77]		$\nu(OsF_2) + \nu(OsF_3) + \nu(OsF_1)$
668(12)[80]	680(2)[88]		$[v(SbF_9) + v(SbF_6)] - [v(SbF_5) + v(SbF_8)]$
665(16)[73]	678(1)[67]		$[v(SbF_9) + v(SbF_8)] - [v(SbF_5) + v(SbF_6)]$
659(12)[104]	672(5)[106]		$v(SbF_5) + v(SbF_9)$
647(12)[34]	636(8)[33]		$\nu(OsF_1) - \nu(OsF_2) + \nu(OsF_3)$
609(28)[27]	626(28)[21]		$v(SbF_6) + v(SbF_8) + v(SbF_4)$
557(12)[30]	584(3)[1]		$[v(SbF_9) + v(SbF_8)] - [v(SbF_7) + v(SbF_5)]$
478(38)[92]	474(6)[153]		$v(OsF_4) - v(SbF_4)$
399(16)[1]	416(9)[3]		$\delta(O_1OsO_2) + \nu(OsF_4) + \nu(SbF_4)$
371(1)[16]	353(<1)[14]		$\delta(O_1OsO_2) = \nu(OsF_4) + \nu(SbF_4)$
355(5)[4]	363(3)[1]		$\delta(O_2OsF_2) + \delta(F_1OsF_3)$
316(5)[2]	338(4)[2]		$\delta(O_1OsF_2) + \delta(F_1OsF_3)$
293(1)[9]	308(1)[5]		$\rho_w(O_2OsF_1) + \rho_w(F_2OsF_3)$
283(<1)[20]	292(<0.1)[48]	_	$\rho_w(O_1OsO_2) + \rho_w(F_1OsF_4)$
266(6)[24]	280(1)[2]	]	
255(3)[17]	267(<1)[35]	}	deformation mode $[OsO_2F_3][SbF_6]$
250(4)[16]	259(1)[36]	J	STE OLE ) STE OLE )
241(3)[03]	204(<1)[15] 228(<1)[180]		$O(F_5 SDF_8) - O(F_7 SDF_6)$
212(4)[6]	214(1)[3]		
194(3)[9]	208(1)[5]		
188(1)[4]	198(<1)[7]		
169(1)[1]	172(<1)[<1]		
145(1)[2]	130(<0.1)[<0.1]	}	deformation modes $[OsO_2F_3][SbF_6]$
135(<1)[1] 100(<1)[<1]	128(<1)[5] 102(<1)[1]	1	
109(<1)[<1] 111(<1)[<1]	102(<1)[1] 102(<0,1)[<1]		
83(<0.1)[<1]	48(<1)[1]		
56(<1)[<1]	31(<0.1)[<1]		
27(<1)[<1]	10(<0.1)[<0.1]	J	

Table A1. Calculated Vibrational Frequencies and Assignments for [OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>][SbF<sub>6</sub>]

<sup>*a*</sup> Values in parentheses denote calculated Raman intensities (amu Å<sup>-4</sup>) and values in square brackets denote calculated infrared intensities (km mol<sup>-1</sup>). <sup>*b*</sup> SVWN/SDDall(-PP). <sup>*c*</sup> B3LYP/Stuttgart aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP). <sup>*d*</sup> See Figure A2 for the atom labeling scheme. The abbreviations denote stretch (v) and bend ( $\delta$ ).

	Bond Lengths	(Å)	Bond Angles (°)					
	SVWN <sup>a</sup>	$B3LYP^{b}$		SVWN <sup>a</sup>	B3LYP <sup>b</sup>		$SVWN^a$	B3LYP <sup>b</sup>
Os-F1	1.876	1.868	O1-OS-O2	102.8	101.7	F₄−Sb−F₅	83.3	83.6
Os-F2	1.840	1.840	O1-Os-F1	95.7	94.4	F4-Sb-F6	176.8	178.1
Os-F3	1.847	1.840	O1-Os-F2	96.5	96.1	F4-Sb-F7	81.0	81.6
Os-O1	1.702	1.676	O1-OS-F3	98.2	96.1	F4-Sb-F8	81.4	81.6
Os-O <sub>2</sub>	1.709	1.679	O1-OsF4	161.4	172.4	F4-Sb-F9	84.1	83.6
OsF4	2.042	2.020	O2-Os-F1	161.3	163.8	F5-Sb-F6	98.3	97.7
Sb-F4	2.136	2.205	O2-Os-F2	94.3	94.1	F5-Sb-F7	164.0	165.2
Sb-F5	1.895	1.885	O2-Os-F3	92.6	94.1	F5-Sb-F8	87.6	89.2
Sb-F6	1.884	1.877	O2-OSF4	84.7	85.8	F5-Sb-F9	91.1	89.9
Sb-F7	1.908	1.897	F1-Os-F2	85.3	84.1	F6-Sb-F7	97.3	97.0
Sb-F8	1.932	1.897	F1-Os-F3	82.8	84.1	F6-Sb-F8	95.8	97.0
Sb-F9	1.892	1.885	F1-OsF4	76.8	78.0	F6-Sb-F9	98.7	97.7
			F2-Os-F3	161.9	163.6	F7-Sb-F8	87.2	88.0
			F2-OsF4	81.0	83.2	F7-Sb-F9	90.2	89.2
			F3-OsF4	83.0	83.2	F8-Sb-F9	165.5	165.2
			OsF4-Sb1	126.6	140.8			

Table A2. Calculated Geometrical Parameters for [OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>][SbF<sub>6</sub>]

<sup>*a*</sup> The SDDall basis set, augmented for F, O, and Sb with two d-type polarization functions, was used. <sup>*b*</sup> The Stuttgart basis set was used for Os with the f functional. The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets were used for all other atoms.





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	charges		valencies			bond	orders
	SVWN	B3LYP	SVWN	B3LYP		SVWN	B3LYP
Os	1.97	2.27	3.47	3.49	Os-O <sub>1</sub>	0.87	0.90
$O_1$	-0.22	-0.25	0.92	0.93	Os–O <sub>2</sub>	0.87	0.89
O <sub>2</sub>	-0.18	-0.20	0.95	0.93	$Os-F_1$	0.45	0.45
$\mathbf{F}_1$	-0.36	-0.42	0.48	0.46	Os-F <sub>2</sub>	0.49	0.48
$F_2$	-0.31	-0.38	0.52	0.50	Os-F <sub>3</sub>	0.50	0.49
$F_3$	-0.30	-0.36	0.53	0.50	OsF4	0.30	0.28
F <sub>4</sub>	-0.55	-0.58	0.51	0.49	Sb-F <sub>4</sub>	0.23	0.24
Sb	3.06	3.02	2.45	0.43	Sb-F <sub>5</sub>	0.45	0.48
$F_5$	-0.62	-0.62	0.40	0.42	Sb–F <sub>6</sub>	0.46	0.49
F <sub>6</sub>	-0.62	-0.62	0.41	0.44	Sb–F7	0.44	0.46
F <sub>7</sub>	-0.63	-0.63	0.39	0.40	Sb-F <sub>8</sub>	0.41	0.44
$F_8$	-0.62	-0.63	0.37	0.39	Sb–F9	0.45	0.48
F9	-0.62	-0.62	0.41	0.43			

**Table A3.** Natural Bond Orbital (NBO) Valencies, Bond Orders, and Natural PopulationAnalysis (NPA) Charges for [OsO2F3][SbF6]

#### **APPENDIX B**

### CHAPTER 4: FLUORIDE ION ACCEPTOR PROPERTIES OF *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>; SYNTHESIS, RAMAN AND NMR SPECTROSCOPIC STUDY OF OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup>



**Figure B1.** View of the crystallographic unit cell of  $[Cs][OsO_3F_3]$ ·CH<sub>3</sub>CN along the *a*-axis.

	Monocap	ped Trigonal F	$\operatorname{Tism}\left(C_{2\nu}\right)^{a}$	Pentagonal Bipyramid $(C_s)^b$		Monocapped Octahedron $(C_s)^{\circ}$		dron $(C_s)^c$	
	$B3LYP^d$	SVWN <sup>e</sup>	SVWN	B3LYP <sup>d</sup>	SVWN <sup>e</sup>	SVWN	$B3LYP^{d}$	SVWN <sup>e</sup>	SVWN/
					Charges				
Os	2.32	2.08	1.99	2.27	2.03	1.95	2.30	2.06	1.98
$F_1$	-0.51	0.47	-0.46	-0.52	-0.48	-0.47	-0.56	-0.52	-0.50
$F_2$				-0.49	-0.45	-0.43	-0.44	-0.39	-0.39
$F_3$							-0.52	-0.48	-0.47
F₄							-0.52	-0.48	-0.48
F5	-0.48	-0.45	-0.44	-0.51	-0.47	-0.46			
O1	-0.40	-0.38	-0.37	-0.35	-0.35	-0.34	-0.37	-0.35	-0.34
$O_2$				-0.38	-0.37	-0.35			
				V	alencies				
Os	3.65	4.35	3.64	3.73	0.41	3.67	3.70	4.38	3.68
$F_1$	0.40	0.51	0.42	0.37	0.48	0.40	0.34	0.45	0.38
$F_2$				0.40	0.50	0.44	0.46	0.56	0.48
F3							0.38	0.48	0.42
$F_4$							0.38	0.49	0.41
F5	0.39	0.52	0.43	0.40	0.50	0.42			
O1	0.88	0.94	0.85	0.90	0.98	0.86	0.92	0.98	0.87
O2				0.90	0.98	0.86			
				Bor	nd Orders				
Os-F <sub>1</sub>	0.39	0.50	0.40	0.38	0.48	0.39	0.34	0.45	0.37
Os-F <sub>2</sub>				0.41	0.51	0.41	0.45	0.56	0.45
Os–F3							0.39	0.50	0.40
Os–F4							0.38	0.49	0.39
Os–F5	0.40	0.52	0.41	0.42	0.51	0.41			
$Os-O_1$	0.84	0.92	0.82	0.88	0.96	0.83	0.87	0.94	0.83
Os-O <sub>2</sub>				0.86	0.95	0.82			

**Table B1.**Natural Bond Orbital NPA Charges, Valencies and Bond Orders for the Monocapped Trigonal Prismatic,<br/>Pentagonal Bipyramidal, and Monocapped Octahedral Isomers of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup>

<sup>*a*</sup> See Figure 4.4a for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*b*</sup> See Figure 4.4b for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*c*</sup> See Figure 4.4c for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*d*</sup> The Stuttgart basis set was used for Os with the f functional. The aug-cc-pVTZ basis sets were used for fluorine and oxygen. <sup>*e*</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets were used for all atoms. <sup>*f*</sup> The SDDall basis set was used augmented for F and O with two d-type polarization functions.

	trans-OsO <sub>2</sub> $F_5^{-}(D_{5h})^a$			$\underline{\text{OsOF}_5^-(C_{4\nu})^b}$			
	B3LYP <sup>c</sup>	$SVWN^d$	SVWN <sup>e</sup>	B3LYP <sup>c</sup>	$SVWN^d$	SVWN <sup>e</sup>	
			Charges				
Os	2.25	2.02	1.93	2.18	1.93	1.87	
$F_1$	-0.47	0.43	-0.43	-0.57	-0.52	-0.51	
F <sub>2</sub>				-0.51	-0.46	-0.45	
$O_1$	-0.44	-0.42	-0.40	-0.38	-0.37	-0.36	
			Valencies				
Os	3.72	4.39	3.68	3.00	3.60	2.97	
$F_1$	0.42	0.52	0.45	0.41	0.52	0.44	
$F_2$				0.42	0.53	0.45	
$O_1$	0.82	0.88	0.78	1.01	1.08	0.94	
			Bond Orders				
Os–F <sub>1</sub>	0.42	0.53	0.43	0.40	0.50	0.41	
Os–F <sub>2</sub>				0.44	0.56	0.44	
Os–O <sub>1</sub>	0.81	0.88	0.76	0.96	1.04	0.91	

# **Table B2.** Natural Bond Orbital NPA Charges, Valencies and Bond Orders fortrans-OsO2F5 and OsOF5

<sup>*a*</sup> See Figure 4.3a for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*b*</sup> See Figure 4.3b for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*c*</sup> The Stuttgart basis set was used for Os with the f functional. The aug-cc-pVTZ basis sets were used for fluorine and oxygen. <sup>*d*</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets were used for all atoms. <sup>*e*</sup> The SDDall basis set was used augmented for F and O with two d-type polarization functions.

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#### **APPENDIX C**

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#### cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> AND THE CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup> ANION

	exptl.					calc.	
	cis-OsO₂F₄· [Cs][CH₂CN]	$\frac{cis-OsO_2F_4}{[N(CH_3)_4][CH_2CN]}$	$cis-\overline{OsO_2F_4}$ [Cs][CH <sub>2</sub> CN] 0.3HF	cis-OsO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub>	$\frac{\text{cis-OsO}_2F_4}{(C_{2\nu})}$	$\begin{array}{c} \mathrm{CH}_2\mathrm{CN}^-\\ (C_1) \end{array}$	
		Bond	engths (A)		· · · · ·		
Os(1)-O(1)	1.696(3)	1.756(3)	1.724(10)	1.704(10)	1.717		
Os(1)-O(2)		1.670(4)	1.688(12)	1.684(11)	1.717		
Os(1)- $F(1)$	1.958(2)	1.956(3)	1.948(8)	1.916(8)	1.892		
Os(1)- $F(2)$		1.937(3)	1.958(8)	1.914(8)	1.892		
Os(1)-F(3)	1.890(3)	1.911(2)	1.909(8)	1.839(10)	1.858		
Os(1)-F(4)	1.886(3)	1.865(3)	1.888(8)	1.837(8)	1.858		
Os(2)-O(3)	1.698(4)						
Os(2)-O(4)	1.713(5)						
Os(2)-F(5)	1.966(4)						
Os(2)-F(6)	1.945(3)						
Os(2)-F(7)	1.889(2)						
Os(2)-F(7A)	1.889(2)						
Os(2)-O/F(8)			1.774(10)				
Os(2)-O(4)			1.685(12)				
Os(2)-F(5)			1.948(11)				
Os(2)-F(6)			1.930(10)				
Os(2)-F(6A)			1.930(10)				
Os(3)-O/F(12)			1.773(9)				
Os(3)-O(6)			1.701(13)				
Os(3)-F(9)			1.927(12)				
Os(3)-F(10)			1.916(10)				
Os(3)-F(10A)			1.916(10)				
C(1)-C(2)	1 449(7)	1 469(6)	1 480(27)			1 396	
C(2)-N(1)	1 136(6)	1 144(6)	1,151(27)			1 184	
C(1)-H(1A)	0.81(6)		0.835			1.092	

**Table C1.** ExperimentalGeometriesfor*cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN],*cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][CH<sub>2</sub>CN],*cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF, and *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> and Calculated Geometries of *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> and CH<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>-</sup>

C(1)-H(1B) N(1)F(13)	0.81(6)		1.496 1.569(36)			1.092
C(3)-C(4) C(4)-N(2) C(3)-H(3A) C(3)-H(3B) N(2)F(14)			1.425(29) 1.151(29) 1.086 1.086 1.606(60)			
C(5)-C(6) C(6)-N(3) C(5)-H(5A) C(5)-H(5B) N(3)F(15)			1.416(29) 1.154(30) 0.974 0.974 1.280(57)			
N(2)-C(3) N(2)-C(4) N(2)-C(5) N(2)-C(6)		1.480(6) 1.489(6) 1.496(5) 1.505(5)				
		Bond An	gles (deg)			
O(1)-Os(1)-O(2)/(O(1A)) O(1)-Os(1)-F(1)	107.3(2) 88.2(1)	105.1(2) 86.0(2)	109.8(5) 86.5(4)	102.8(7) 89.4(4)	101.4 89.6	
O(1) - Os(1) - F(2)	164.5(1)	165.2(2)	104.0(4)	168.9(6)	180.0	
O(1) - Os(1) - F(3) O(1) - Os(1) - F(4)	92.0(1)	92 4(2)	92.0(4)	94 3(4)	94.0	
O(2)/(O(1A))-Os(1)-F(1)	164.6(1)	168.6(2)	163.7(4)	167.8(6)	180.0	
O(2)/(O(1A))-Os(1)-F(2)	88.2(1)	89.6(2)	85.7(4)	88.4(4)	89.6	
O(2)/(O(1A))-Os(1)-F(3)	92.6(1)	92.2(2)	93.0(4)	95.1(4)	94.0	
O(2)/(O(1A))-Os(1)-F(4)	92.4(1)	95.7(2)	93.2(5)	93.7(5)	94.0	
F(1)-Os(1)-F(2)	76.4(2)	79.2(1)	78.1(3)	79.5(5)	79.3	
F(1)-Os(1)-F(3)	86.5(1)	84.8(1) 86.5(1)	93.2(5)	84.I(5) 85.1(4)	85.2	
F(1) - OS(1) - F(4) F(2) Oc(1) F(3)	δ0.δ(1) 86.6(1)	00.3(1) 87.7(1)	81.1(3) 86.2(3)	03.1(4) 85.0(3)	03.2 85.2	
F(2) = Os(1) = F(3) F(2) = Os(1) = F(4)	86.8(1)	873(1)	88 ((5)	85 1(5)	85.2	
F(3)-Os(1)-F(4)	171.5(2)	170.6(1)	171.1(3)	166.6(6)	170.3	
- (-) - (-) - (-)		- / - / - / - / - / - / - / - / - / - /	(2)			

O(3)-Os(2)-O(4)	106.9(2)
O(3)-Os(2)-F(5)	87.2(2)
O(3) - Os(2) - F(6)	163.7(2)
O(3) - Os(2) - F(7)	92.70(8)
O(3)-Os(2)-F(7A)	92.70(8)
O(4) - Os(2) - F(5)	165.9(2)
O(4) - Os(2) - F(6)	89.4(2)
O(4) - Os(2) - F(7)	92.27(8)
O(4)-Os(2)-F(7A)	92.27(8)
F(5)-Os(2)-F(6)	76.5(2)
F(5)-Os(2)-F(7)	86.94(9)
F(5)-Os(2)-F(7A)	86.94(9)
F(6)-Os(2)-F(7)	86.51(8)
F(6)-Os(2)-F(7A)	86.51(8)
F(7)-Os(2)-F(7A)	171.6(2)
O/F(8)-Os(2)-O(4)	
O/F(8)-Os(2)-F(5)	
O/F(8)-Os(2)-F(6)	
O/F(8)-Os(2)-F(6A)	
O/F(8)-Os(2)-F/O(8)	
O(4)-Os(2)-F(5)	
O(4)-Os(2)-F(6)	
O(4)-Os(2)-F(6A)	
O(4)-Os(2)-F/O(8)	
F(5)-Os(2)-F(6)	
F(5)-Os(2)-F(6A)	
F(5)-Os(2)-F(8)/O(3)	
F(6)-Os(2)-F(6A)	
F(6)-Os(2)-F/O(8)	
F(6A)-Os(2)-F/O(8)	
$O(E(12)) O_{\alpha}(2) O(6)$	
O(F(12) - OS(3) - O(0)	
O(F(12) - OS(3) - F(3))	
O(F(12) - OS(3) - F(10))	
O(F(12) - OS(3) - F(10A))	
O(r(12) - Os(3) - O(r(12))	

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99.2(5) 88.8(4) 168.4(5)

88.8(4) 92.8(8) 168.3(7)

91.8(5) 91.8(5) 99.2(5) 79.8(4) 79.8(4) 89.3(4) 87.4(6) 89.1(4) 168.6(5)

98.8(6) 89.5(4) 168.8(5) 88.5(4) 93.0(7)

O(6)-Os(3)-F(9) O(6)-Os(3)-F(10) O(6)-Os(3)-F(10A) O(6)-Os(3)-F/O(12) F(9)-Os(3)-F(10) F(9)-Os(3)-F(10A) F(9)-Os(3)-O/F(12) F(10)-Os(3)-O/F(12) F(10A)-Os(3)-O/F(12)			168.0(8) 91.9(6) 91.9(6) 98.8(6) 79.5(4) 79.5(4) 89.5(4) 87.9(6) 88.5(4) 168.8(5)	
C(1)-C(2)-N(1) C(2)-N(1)F(13) H(1A)-C(1)-H(1B) H(1A)-C(1)-C(2) H(1B)-C(1)-C(2)	179.7(6) 102(6) 116(5) 107(5)	179.1(5)	175(2) 97(2) 135.0 113.2 113.2	180.4 116.2 118.6 118.6
C(3)-C(4)-N(2) C(4)-N(2)F(14) H(3A)-C(3)-H(3B) H(3A)-C(3)-C(4) H(3B)-C(3)-C(4)			175(2) 121(3) 80.9 108.8 108.8	
C(5)-C(6)-N(3) C(6)-N(3)F(15) H(5A)-C(5)-H(5B) H(5A)-C(5)-C(6) H(5B)-C(5)-C(6)			178(2) 94(3) 78.8 117.7 117.7	
C(3)-N(2)-C(4) C(3)-N(2)-C(5) C(3)-N(2)-C(6) C(4)-N(2)-C(5) C(4)-N(2)-C(6) C(5)-N(2)-C(6)		109.5 (3) 109.0 (3) 109.7 (3) 109.8 (4) 109.9 (3) 108.9 (3)		



**Figure C1.** View of the *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub> $F_4$ ·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] crystallographic unit cell along the *a*-axis.



**Figure C2.** View of the cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[Cs][CH<sub>2</sub>CN]·0.3HF crystallographic unit cell along the *b*-axis.



**Figure C3.** View of the *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>·[N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>][CH<sub>2</sub>CN] crystallographic unit cell along the *a*-axis



**Figure C4.** Visualization of the octahedron formed by the light atoms in the X-ray crystal structure of cis-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>.

Table C2.	Interatomic	Distances	(Å) [	Between	the	Light	Atoms	Forming	the
	Coordination	Spheres	of	the	Os	aton	ns in	cis-Os	$O_2F_4$ ,
	cis-OsO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub> ·[0	Cs][CH <sub>2</sub> CN]	<b>]</b> ,	cis-Os	sO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub> ·	[N(CH <sub>3</sub> )	)4][CH <sub>2</sub> C	CN],	and
	cis-OsO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub> ·[0	Cs][CH <sub>2</sub> CN]	∙0.3 H	F					

			cis-OsO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub> ·	
	$\frac{c\iota s - OsO_2F_4}{[Cs][CH_2CN]}$	$cis-OsO_2F_4$ · [N(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> ][CH <sub>2</sub> CN]	$\frac{[Cs][CH_2CN]}{0.3 \text{ HF}^a}$	cis-OsO <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub>
F(3)…O(1)	2.594(5)	2.614(4)	2.61(1)	2.58(2)
F(3)…O(2)		2.624(5)	2.61(1)	2.60(2)
F(3)…F(1)	2.636(4)	2.618(4)	2.61(1)	2.52(1)
F(3)…F(2)		2.625(4)	2.64(1)	2.54(1)
F(4)…O(1)	2.591(4)	2.606(4)	2.60(1)	2.60(1)
F(4)…O(2)		2.586(5)	2.60(1)	2.57(1)
F(4)…F(1)	2.644(4)	2.609(5)	2.64(1)	2.54(1)
F(4)…F(2)		2.665(4)	2.67(1)	2.54(1)
O(1)…O(2)	2.724(8)	2.721(5)	2.79(1)	2.65(2)
O(1)…F(1)	2.549(4)	2.536(5)	2.52(1)	2.55(1)
O(2)…F(2)		2.549(5)	2.49(1)	2.51(1)
F(1)…F(2)	2.426(7)	2.483(4)	2.46(1)	2.45(1)

 $^{a}$  Geometrical parameters are taken for the non-disordered  $\mathrm{OsO}_{2}\mathrm{F}_{4}$  molecule in the structural unit.

	$\mathbf{SVWN}^{b}$	B3LYP <sup>c</sup>	PBE1PBE <sup>c</sup>
	NPA Ch	arges	
Os	1.96	2.27	2.29
$O_1$	-0.23	-0.28	-0.28
$F_1$	-0.38	-0.44	-0.45
F <sub>3</sub>	-0.36	-0.41	-0.41
	Valenc	ries	
Os	3.69	3.64	3.69
$O_1$	0.90	0.92	0.93
$\mathbf{F}_1$	0.48	0.45	0.45
F <sub>3</sub>	0.52	0.48	0.49
	Bond Or	rders	
Os–O <sub>1</sub>	0.88	0.89	0.91
Os–F <sub>1</sub>	0.47	0.45	0.46
Os-F <sub>3</sub>	0.50	0.47	0.48

**Table C3.** Natural Bond Orbital (NBO) Valencies, Bond Orders and Natural Population<br/>Analysis (NPA) Charges for cis-OsO2F4  $(C_{2\nu})^a$ 

<sup>*a*</sup> See Figure 5.6a for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*b*</sup> The SDDall basis set augmented for F and O with two d-type polarization functions was used. <sup>*c*</sup> The Stuttgart basis set was used for Os with the f functional. The aug-cc-pVTZ basis sets were used for all other atoms.

**Table C4.** Natural Bond Orbital (NBO) Valencies, Bond Orders and Natural Population Analysis (NPA) Charges for  $CH_2CN^-(C_s)^a$ 

B3	LYP	PBE	PBE1PBE				
b	С	b	с				
	Charge	es					
-0.95	-0.97	-0.98	-0.99				
0.20	0.25	0.21	0.25				
-0.57	-0.63	-0.98	-0.63				
0.16	0.18	0.17	0.19				
Valencies							
2.72	2.85	2.73	2.85				
2.97	3.13	2.98	3.14				
1.77	1.79	1.78	1.79				
0.77	0.85	0.77	0.85				
	Bond Ore	ders					
1.19	1.24	1.19	1.24				
1.76	1.86	1.77	1.87				
0.76	0.84	0.76	0.84				
	$\begin{array}{r} & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ \hline & & \\ & & \\ \hline & & \\ -0.95 \\ 0.20 \\ -0.57 \\ 0.16 \\ \hline \\ 2.72 \\ 2.97 \\ 1.77 \\ 0.77 \\ \hline \\ 1.19 \\ 1.76 \\ 0.76 \\ \end{array}$	$\begin{tabular}{ c c c c c } \hline B3LYP \\ \hline b & c \\ \hline \hline \\ \hline$	$\begin{tabular}{ c c c c c c c } \hline B3LYP & PBE \\ \hline b & c & b \\ \hline \hline \\ \hline$				

<sup>*a*</sup> See Figure 5.6b for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*b*</sup> The 6-21G\* basis set was used. <sup>*c*</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ basis set was used.

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#### **APPENDIX D**

## CHAPTER 6: SYNTHESIS AND X-RAY CRYSTAL STRUCTURE OF ( $OsO_3F_2$ )<sub>2</sub>·2XeOF<sub>4</sub> AND THE RAMAN SPECTRUM OF ( $OsO_3F_2$ )<sub> $\infty$ </sub>, ( $OsO_3F_2$ )<sub>2</sub>, AND ( $OsO_3F_2$ )<sub>2</sub>·2XeOF<sub>4</sub>

(OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> )∞	XeOF <sub>4</sub>	(OsO3F2) <del>w</del> XeOF4 (OsO3F2)22CeOF4	(OsO3F2)2·2XeOF4 XeOF4	(OsO3F2)2·2XeOF4 XeOF4	(OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ·2XeOF <sub>4</sub>	$(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$ $(OsO_3F_2)_2$	(OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	$(OsO_3F_2)_2$ $(OsO_3F_2)_m$	$(OsO_3F_2)_{\varpi}$
		963(49)	962(32)	963(100)	962(100)	962(90)		<u> </u>	
957(100)		958(48)	957(22)	957(69)	957(39)	956(100)	955(100)	956(100)	957(100)
952(29)		952(6)			0.49(1)	952(sh)	0.40(-1-)	952(41)	952(29)
949(32)		930(6) 945(6)			948(1)	948(sn)	948(SR) 044(16)	949(37)	949(32)
945(50)		940(25)		940(48)	940(47)	940(45)	944(10)	945(34)	945(50)
		5 10(23)	938(16)	940(40)	540(47)	540(45)	937(7)	937(9)	
			928(9)	928(10)			,,,,,,	227(2)	
		921(13)	921(9)	921(29)	921(12)	921(19)			
			.,		911(I)	. ,			
	908(12)	908(12)	908(11)						
	902(99)	902(100)	902(100)	901(6)					
					661(1)				
								655(4)	
			610(2)	619(5)				650(sn)	
			019(3)	016(5)	605(1)		604(1) br	605(3)	
596(6)		594(sh)	595(sh)	594(10)	594(6)	594(5)	004(1), 01	595(7)	596(6)
	588(100)	588(94)	588(97)	588(7)				555(7)	550(0)
			582(12)	580(7)					
	575(63)	575(62)							
		574(sh)	574(65)	573(57)	572(48)	572(42)		578(2)	
	565(49)	565(44)	565(49)	565(14)					
		560(12)		560(22)	560(12)	560(12)			
			558(17)	556(sh)				5 10/2	
	5/2/92)	5/12/(90)	540(sn) 543(86)	349(10)				549(3)	
	343(83)	540(sh)	545(80)	5/0(59)	540(51)	540(45)		340(2)	
	532(59)	532(59)	532(44)	531(11)	540(51)	540(45)			
	()	525(32)	524(23)	525(68)	525(58)	525(53)			
		519(3)	519(9)	518(sh)	()	()			
			514(3)						
			506(2), br	503(15)					
			484(16)	484(10)					
			1.00(1)		466(0)				
		451(3)	450(1)	450(6)	450(3)	450(3), br	453(1), br	448(2)	

**Table D1.** Raman Spectra Used to Monitor the Formation/Dissociation of  $(OsO_3F_2) \cdot 2XeOF_4$  from/to  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  and XeOF<sub>4</sub>, and the Transition of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  to  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}^{a}$ 

Table	<b>D1.</b> (con	ntinued)							
	,	,						440(3)	
		408(3)	408(1)	409(6)	409(4)	409(4) 407(3)	409(2)	414(31)	
404(5)		405(3)	404(sh)			402(5)		404(7)	404(5)
398(10)		399(3)					399(sh)	398(13)	398(10)
		394(sh)				396(4)	396(9)	394(13)	
	392(3)	392(11)	392(7)	392(19)	392(16)	391(18)		391(29)	
389(28)	386(sh)	388(11)	387(5)	388(14)	388(11)	387(16)	386(13)	385(sh)	389(28)
	270(20)	278(10)	279(20)	382(6)	381(3)	382(7)	276(5)	381(6)	
	379(20)	3/8(19)	378(20)	271(24)	3/9(19)	274(4)	3/0(3)		
	360(12)	3/1(18) 368(12)	3/1(13)	3/1(24)		374(4)			
	509(15)	364(11)	365(sh)	364(19)	364(14)	364(13)			
		504(11)	505(31)	504(12)	361(sh)	504(15)			
			356(2)						
			350(1)			349(0)			
222(2)							337(1)	341(2)	a a a (a)
323(2)								325(2)	323(2)
							208(1)	313(2)	
				301(3)	304(1)		508(1)		
	294(sh)	293(3)		295(6)	294(1)		293(2)	293(3)	
287(3)	289(75)	289(8)	289(6)	255(0)	288(4)	288(3)	288(sh)	287(4)	287(3)
		(-)	282(1)	281(3)	282(1)	(-)	280(sh)	()	(-)
							276(sh)	277(sh)	
273(6)		274(5)	274(3)	273(10)	274(7)	273(7)	271(4)	272(6)	273(6)
					266(0)				
								260(sh)	
	250(11)		249(9)	250(2)					
	222(0)	245(sh)	000	<b>22</b> <i>C</i> (2)	240(sh)	224(2)		244(2)	
222(2)	233(8)	233(8)	233(9)	235(9)	233(3)	234(2)		232(2)	002(0)
223(2)				210(ch)	224(0)			225(2)	223(2)
215(2)				219(80)				214(2)	215(2)
215(2)		204(2)	203(1)	203(4)	203(2)			217(2)	213(2)
		200(2)	200(1)	200(4)	201(3)	199(0)		199(2)	
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				194(2) 188(2)			192(3)	192(2)	
				183(2)				184(2)	
176(4)	175(3)	176(2) 173(2)	175(1)					176(4)	176(4)
		169(sh)	169(sh)	170(3)	170(1)			168(2)	
	166(5)	166(3)	167(3)			164(0)	166(2)		
	161(4)	160(4)	160(3)	160(4)	160(3)	161(0)		163(2)	
		154(1)	157(sh)	156(sh)	154(sh)				
		150(1)	151(1)	152(2)				150(3)	
		143(3)	143(1)	143(5)	143(4)	144(0)			
135(2)		136(2)	137(1)	137(4)	136(3)			135(2)	135(2)
								130(1)	
					121(1)			120(2)	
		107(1)			118(1)				
		107(1)							
			101(sh)	99(sh)	102(sh)				
	98(3)	98(2)	98(2)	97(2)	98(1)				
		96(sh)						95(sh)	
91(2)				92(sh)				91(sh)	91(2)
	77(5)	79(sh)	77(sh)	78(3)	77(sh)				
		•	71(3)	72(2)	72(2)			71(2)	
		69(1)						68(sh)	
		64(2)	64(2)	64(3)	64(2)				
					56(0)				
					51(0)				

<sup>*a*</sup> The Raman spectra were recorded on a microcrystalline sample in a FEP sample tube at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation. Experimental Raman intensities are given in parentheses and are relative intensities with the most intense band given as 100. The original sample contained  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  (column 1) dissolved in XeOF<sub>4</sub> (column 2). Dissolution of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  in liquid XeOF<sub>4</sub> at 25 °C initially gave a mixture of  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$ , XeOF<sub>4</sub>, and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  (column 3) and upon complete dissolution gave a mixture of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$ , and XeOF<sub>4</sub> (column 4). The XeOF<sub>4</sub> solvent was slowly removed under vacuum at 0 °C (column 5) and was pumped until it gave rise to only  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  (column 6). Further pumping of the sample at 0 °C resulted in removal of XeOF<sub>4</sub> from the crystal lattice, initially giving a mixture of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  (column 7) and finally the pure  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  dimer (column 8). Heating  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  to room temperature initially gave a mixture of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$ , and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  dimer (column 8). Heating  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  to room temperature initially gave a mixture of  $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  (column 9), and finally the starting material,  $(OsO_3F_2)_\infty$  (column 10).



**Figure D1.** View of the  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  crystallographic unit cell along the *a*-axis.

С	$alcd^b$	assgnts $(C_{4\nu})^e$
$SVWN^{c}$	$B3LYP^d$	
903 (21) [28]	887 (20) [25]	$A_1$ , v(XeO)
611 (<0.1) [259]	593 (<0.1) [282]	E, $v_{as}(XeF_{4e})$
555 (40) [5]	552 (44) [5]	$A_1, v_s(XeF_{4e})$
526 (20) [0]	511 (23) [0]	$B_2$ , $v_s(XeF_{2e}) - v_s(XeF_{2e'})$
307 (3) [4]	326 (3) [4]	E, $\delta(OXeF_e) - \delta(OXeF_e)$
238 (1) [30]	262 (1) [35]	A <sub>1</sub> , $\delta(XeF_{4e})_{umb}$
189 (3) [0]	211 (3) [0]	$B_1$ , $\delta(F_eXeF_e') + \delta(F_eXeF_e')$
158 (<0.1) [0]	160 (<0.1) [0]	B <sub>2</sub> , $\rho_w(XeF_{2e}) - \rho_w(XeF_{2e'})$
135 (<1) [2]	152 (<1) [1]	E, $\rho_w(XeF_{2e})$
	SVWN <sup>c</sup> 903 (21) [28]           611 (<0.1)	$\begin{tabular}{ c c c c c } \hline calcd^b \\ \hline \hline SVWN^c & B3LYP^d \\ \hline \hline 903 (21) [28] & 887 (20) [25] \\ \hline 611 (<0.1) & 593 (<0.1) [282] \\ \hline [259] \\ \hline 555 (40) [5] & 552 (44) [5] \\ \hline 526 (20) [0] & 511 (23) [0] \\ \hline 307 (3) [4] & 326 (3) [4] \\ \hline 238 (1) [30] & 262 (1) [35] \\ \hline 189 (3) [0] & 211 (3) [0] \\ \hline 158 (<0.1) [0] & 160 (<0.1) [0] \\ \hline 135 (<1) [2] & 152 (<1) [1] \\ \hline \end{tabular}$

 Table D2. Experimental Raman Frequencies, Intensities, and Assignments for Gas-Phase

 XeOF<sub>4</sub>, and the Calculated Vibrational Frequencies and Intensities for XeOF<sub>4</sub>

<sup>*a*</sup> From Ref 101. <sup>*b*</sup> Values in parentheses denote calculated Raman intensities (amu Å<sup>-4</sup>) and values in square brackets denote calculated infrared intensities (km mol<sup>-1</sup>). <sup>*c*</sup> SVWN/SDDall. <sup>*d*</sup> B3LYP/aug-cc-pVTZ. <sup>*e*</sup> The atom labeling scheme refers to the figure below. The abbreviations denote stretch (v), asymmetric (as), symmetric (s), bend ( $\delta$ ), wag ( $\rho_w$ ), and umbrella (umb). The equatorial fluorine atoms are denoted by F<sub>4e</sub> or by F<sub>2e</sub>, and F<sub>2e</sub>'.



**Table D3.** Calculated Vibrational Frequencies, Raman and Infrared Intensities and<br/>Assignments for  $(\mu$ -FOsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sup>-</sup>

SVWN <sup>a</sup>	B3LYP <sup>b</sup>	assgnts <sup>c</sup>
971 (158) [44]	1014 (97) [39]	$\nu(Os_bO_t) + \nu(Os_bO_{t1}) + \nu(Os_bO_{t2})$
970 (48) [35]	1008 (56) [54]	$v(Os_1O_1) + v(Os_1O_2) + v(Os_1O_3)$
966 (2) [97]	1007 (72) [67]	$v(Os_2O_4) + v(Os_2O_5) + v(Os_2O_6)$
965 (10) [217]	994 (13) [191]	$v(O_{sh}O_{t1}) - v(O_{sh}O_{t2}) + v(O_{sh}O_{t3})_{small}$
964 (19) [223]	992 (12) [167]	$v(O_{Sh}O_{t1}) + v(O_{Sh}O_{t2})_{small} - v(O_{Sh}O_{t})$
961 (86) [108]	985 (29) [49]	$v(O_{s_1}O_{s_1}) + v(O_{s_2}O_{s_1}) - [v(O_{s_1}O_{s_1}) + v(O_{s_2}O_{s_1})] + [v(O_{s_1}O_{s_1}) + v(O_{s_2}O_{s_1})]_{endl}$
955 (27) [39]	983 (17) [336]	$v(Os_1O_1) + v(Os_1O_2) + v(Os_2O_3) - [v(Os_1O_3) + v(Os_2O_5)]$
952 (21) [15]	980 (13) [127]	$v(Os_1O_1) + v(Os_2O_4) - v(Os_1O_2)$
945 (22) [105]	977 (10) [69]	$[v(Os_bO_t) + v(Os_1O_2) + v(Os_2O_4)] - [v(Os_bO_{t1}) + v(Os_1O_1) + v(Os_2O_5)]$
652 (14) [104]	614 (2) [182]	$[v(Os_2F_3) + v(Os_2F_{12})] - [v(Os_1F_1) + v(Os_1F_2)]_{small}$
628 (8) [105]	607 (<1) [145]	$[v(Os_1F_1) + v(Os_1F_2)] - [v(Os_2F_4) + v(Os_2F_5)]$
621 (14) [90]	598 (17) [7]	$v(Os_{b}F_{t}) + [v(Os_{1}F_{1}) + v(Os_{1}F_{2}) + v(Os_{2}F_{4}) + v(Os_{2}F_{5})]_{small}$
567 (4) [67]	545 (4) [50]	$v(Os_2F_4) - v(Os_2F_5)$
560 (7) [47]	542 (3) [38]	$v(Os_1F_1) - v(Os_1F_2)$
509 (13) [100]	471 (5) [73]	$[v(Os_{b}F_{b1}) + v(Os_{b}F_{b2})] - [v(Os_{1}F_{b1}) + v(Os_{2}F_{b2})]$
477 (4) [97]	443 (<1) [140]	$[v(Os_bF_{b1}) - v(Os_2F_{b2})] - [v(Os_1F_{b1}) + v(Os_bF_{b2})]$
391 (13) [3]	416 (3) [3]	$\delta(O_4Os_2O_5) + \delta(F_4Os_2F_5)$
388 (7) [2]	415 (2) [3]	$\delta(O_1Os_1O_2) + \delta(F_1Os_1F_2)$
381 (5) [5]	405 (3) [6]	$\delta(Os_bO_tO_{t1}O_{t2})_{oop}$
378 (6) [1]	401 (7) [7]	$\delta(O_{t1}Os_bO_{t2})$
373 (5) [5]	398 (3) [8]	$\delta(O_t O s_b O_{t2}) - \delta(O_t O s_b O_{t1})$
372 (3) [6]	392 (7) [4]	$\delta(O_4Os_2O_6) + \rho_t(O_5Os_2O_6)$
369 (6) [2]	391 (7) [3]	$\rho_t(O_1Os_1O_2) + \delta(O_1Os_1O_3) - \delta(O_6Os_2O_4)_{small}$
365 (5) [7]	389 (2) [27]	$\rho_{w}(O_4Os_2O_5) - \delta(O_5Os_2O_6)$
362 (6) [14]	383 (2) [36]	$\delta(Os_1O_1O_2O_3)_{oop} + \rho_r(F_{b1}Os_bF_{b2})_{small}$
349 (1) [12]	349 (<1) [18]	$\rho_{w}(F_{b1}Os_{b}F_{b2}) + \delta(F_{4}Os_{2}F_{5})$
339 (<1) [11]	337 (1) [7]	$(\mu - FOsO_3F_2)_2OsO_3F$ deformation mode
314 (<1) [13]	336 (<1) [9]	$\delta(\mathrm{Os}_{\mathbf{b}}\mathrm{F}_{\mathbf{t}}\mathrm{F}_{\mathbf{b}1}\mathrm{F}_{\mathbf{b}2})_{oop} + \delta(\mathrm{O}_{1}\mathrm{Os}_{1}\mathrm{O}_{2}) - \delta(\mathrm{F}_{1}\mathrm{Os}_{1}\mathrm{F}_{2})$
310(1)[9]	318 (1) [41]	$\rho_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{F}_4 \mathbf{Os}_2 \mathbf{O}_4) + \rho_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{F}_4 \mathbf{Os}_2 \mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{b}2})$
303 (1) [18]	306 (2) [14]	$(\mu - FOsO_3F_2)_2OsO_3F^-$ deformation modes
284(5)[15]	293(1)[18]	$\mathbf{\tilde{x}} = \mathbf{\tilde{x}}$
269(5)[10]	278(2)[9]	$o(r_t Os_b O_t) + p_t (O_1 Os_1 O_3) + p_w (r_1 Os_1 r_2) + p_w (r_4 Os_2 r_3) + p_t (O_6 Os_2 O_4)$
250 (1) [10]	267 (1) [16]	$(\mu$ -FOsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sup>-</sup> deformation modes
237 (3) [51]	234 (1) [36]	$\rho_t(F_{b2}Os_bF_t) + \rho_t(F_{b1}Os_bF_t) + \rho_r(O_tOs_bO_{t1})$
235 (<1) [38]	214 (1) [27]	$\delta(F_{b1}Os_{b}F_{b2}) + \rho_{w}(F_{t}Os_{b}O_{t})$
218 (1) [14]	207 (<1) [234]	$\rho_{r}(F_{b1}Os_{b}F_{b2}) - \rho_{r}(O_{t1}Os_{b}O_{t2}) + \delta(O_{4}Os_{2}F_{4}) + \rho_{r}(O_{5}Os_{2}O_{6})$
182 (1) [3]	168 (<1) [2]	
169 (1) [1]	166 (<1) [1]	$(\mu$ -FOsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sup>-</sup> deformation modes
147 (<1) [3]	155 (<1) [20] J	
144 (<1) [1]	146 (<1) [<1]	$\rho_{\mathbf{r}}(O_{\mathbf{t}1}O_{\mathbf{s}_{\mathbf{b}}}O_{\mathbf{t}2}) + \rho_{\mathbf{w}}(O_{\mathbf{t}}O_{\mathbf{s}_{\mathbf{b}}}F_{\mathbf{t}})$
134 (1) [1]	130 (<1) [1]	
120(<1)[1]	128 (<1) [2]	
109 (<1) (<1)	110(<1)[3]	
95 (<0.1) [4] 94 (<0.1) [~1]	00 (<1) [1]	
δ4 (<∪.1) [<1] 91 (<0.1) [1]	44 (<1) [<1] 27 (<1) [<1]	$(\mu$ -FOsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sup>-</sup> deformation modes
81 (SU.1) [1] 65 (c0 1) [c1]	37 (≤1) [≤1] 10 (<0 1) [1]	
00 (SU.I) [SI] 52 (SI) [SI]	19 (<0.1) [1] 16 (<1) [<1]	
34 (∼1) [~1] 44 (~1) [~1]	10(-1)[-1] 14(-0)(1)	
44 (~1) [~1] 20 (~1) [1]	$\frac{14}{\sqrt{0.1}[1]}$	
37 (~1) [1]		

#### Table D3.(continued ...)

<sup>*a*</sup> SVWN/SDDall. Values in parentheses denote calculated Raman intensities (amu Å<sup>-4</sup>) and values in square brackets denote calculated infrared intensities (km mol<sup>-1</sup>). <sup>*b*</sup> B3LYP/Stuttgart for osmium (with F functional) aug-cc-pVTZ for oxygen and fluorine atoms. <sup>*c*</sup> Assignments for the energy-minimized geometry calculated at the B3LYP level. The atom labeling scheme refers to Figure 6.5. The abbreviations denote stretch (v), asymmetric (as), symmetric (s), bend ( $\delta$ ), twist ( $\rho_t$ ) and rock ( $\rho_r$ ).

	$(\mu$ -FOsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sup>-</sup>						
	ch	arges	vale	encies		bond	orders
atom	SVWN	B3LYP	SVWN	B3LYP	bond	SVWN	B3LYP
Os <sub>1</sub>	1.88	2.20	3.61	3.58	Os <sub>1</sub> –O <sub>1</sub>	0.84	0.86
$O_1$	-0.40	-0.42	0.89	0.90	$Os_1 - O_2$	0.84	0.86
$O_2$	-0.37	0.42	0.90	0.89	$Os_1 - O_3$	0.85	0.86
$O_3$	-0.39	-0.44	0.90	0.90	$Os_1 - F_1$	0.43	0.42
$\mathbf{F}_1$	-0.44	-0.52	0.47	0.44	Os <sub>1</sub> -F <sub>2</sub>	0.42	0.40
$F_2$	-0.46	-0.53	0.46	0.42	$Os_1 - F_{b1}$	0.22	0.17
F <sub>b1</sub>	-0.53	-0.61	0.55	0.43	Os <sub>2</sub> –O <sub>4</sub>	0.83	0.86
Os <sub>2</sub>	1.89	2.20	3.54	3.59	$Os_2 - O_5$	0.83	0.86
O <sub>4</sub>	-0.35	-0.43	0.86	0.90	$Os_2 - O_6$	0.85	0.86
O <sub>5</sub>	-0.36	-0.42	0.87	0.89	Os <sub>2</sub> F <sub>b2</sub>	0.42	0.42
O <sub>6</sub>	-0.40	-0.45	0.88	0.90	Os <sub>2</sub> –F <sub>4</sub>	0.42	0.42
F <sub>4</sub>	-0.47	-0.53	0.44	0.43	Os <sub>2</sub> –F <sub>5</sub>	0.20	0.17
$F_5$	0.47	-0.52	0.44	0.43	Os <sub>b</sub> –O <sub>t</sub>	0.84	0.87
F <sub>b2</sub>	-0.52	-0.61	0.55	0.43	Os <sub>b</sub> –O <sub>t1</sub>	0.85	0.87
Os <sub>b</sub>	1.88	2.19	3.56	3.55	$Os_b - O_{t2}$	0.84	0.87
$\mathbf{O}_{t}$	-0.37	-0.39	0.89	0.90	Os <sub>b</sub> -F <sub>b1</sub>	0.28	0.26
O <sub>t1</sub>	-0.37	-0.40	0.89	0.90	Os <sub>b</sub> -F <sub>b2</sub>	0.30	0.26
O <sub>t2</sub>	-0.34	-0.39	0.88	0.90	Os <sub>b</sub> -F <sub>t</sub>	0.46	0.42
F <sub>t</sub>	-0.40	-0.50	0.50	0.45	Os <sub>b</sub> –O <sub>t1</sub>	0.85	0.87
					Os <sub>b</sub> -O <sub>t2</sub>	0.84	0.87

**Table D4.**Natural Bond Orbital (NBO) Charges, Valencies, and Bond Orders for<br/> $(\mu$ -FOsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sup>-</sup>

exptl <sup>a</sup>	Ca	$alcd^b$	assgnts $(C_{2\nu})^e$
	SVWN <sup>c</sup>	$B3LYP^d$	
943 (100)	973 (31) [57]	1019 (36) [63]	$v_{sym}(OsO_2)$
933 (31)	968 (13) [90]	993 (14) [109]	$v_{as}(OsO_2)$
680 (sh)	703 (<1) [166]	684 (21) [78]	$v_{as}(OsF_{2a})$
673 (59)	692 (24) [50]	683 (<0.1) [197]	$v_{sym}(OsF_{2a}) + v_{sym}(OsF_{2e})$
580 (17)	632 (12) [35]	616 (8) [35]	$v_{sym}(OsF_{2a}) - v_{sym}(OsF_{2e})$
572 (14)	612 (11) [55]	603 (8) [68]	$v_{as}(OsF_{2e})$
402 (38)	384 (5) [1]	416 (5) [2]	$\delta(OsO_2)$
350 (31)	330 (4) [3]	348 (4) [0]	$\delta(OsF_{2a}) + \delta(OsF_{2e})$
344 (31)	329 (5) [0]	347 (4) [4]	$\delta(OOsF_e) + \delta(OsF_{2a})$
323 (1)	312 (<1) [11]	329 (<1) [12]	$\rho_r(OsF_{2a})$
314(1)	298 (1) [19]	316 (1) [24]	$\rho_t(OsO_2)$
266 (2)	253 (<<1) [36]	266 (<0.1) [43]	$\rho_r(OsF_{2e})$
217(1)	218 (<1) [1]	230 (<1) [2]	$\delta(OsF_{2a}) - \delta(OsF_{2e})$
168 (3)	186 (<1) [<1]	200 (<1) [1]	$\delta(OOsF_e) - \delta(OsF_{2a})$
95 (sh)	100 (<1) [0]	111 (<1) [0]	$\rho_t(OsF_{2e})$

**Table D5.** Experimental and Calculated Frequencies, Intensities and Assignments for *cis*-OsO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>.

<sup>*a*</sup> The Raman spectrum was recorded on a microcrystalline sample in a FEP tube at -150 <sup>o</sup>C using 1064-nm excitation. Experimental Raman intensities are given in parentheses and are relative intensities with the most intense band given as 100. <sup>*b*</sup> Values in parentheses denote calculated Raman intensities (amu Å<sup>-4</sup>) and values in square brackets denote calculated infrared intensities (km mol<sup>-1</sup>). <sup>*c*</sup> SVWN/SDDall. <sup>*d*</sup> B3LYP/Stuttgart for osmium (with F functional) aug-cc-pVTZ for oxygen and fluorine atoms. <sup>*e*</sup> The atom labeling scheme refers to the figure below. The abbreviations denote stretch (v), asymmetric (as), symmetric (s), bend ( $\delta$ ), twist ( $\rho_t$ ) and rock ( $\rho_r$ ).







<sup>*a*</sup> The crystallographic space group is  $P\overline{1}$  with Z = 1 structural unit per unit cell.

			(μ-FC	sO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> OsO <sub>3</sub> F	r -			
	SVWN	B3LYP		SVWN	B3LYP		SVWN	B3LYP
			Bon	d Lenghts (Å)				
$Os_1 - O_1$	1.724	1.698	Os <sub>2</sub> -O <sub>4</sub>	1.726	1.700	Os <sub>b</sub> –Ot	1.718	1.694
$Os_1 - O_2$	1.725	1.699	Os <sub>2</sub> -O <sub>5</sub>	1.724	1.698	$Os_b - O_{t1}$	1.717	1.694
$Os_1 - O_3$	1.719	1.695	$Os_2 - O_6$	1.720	1.695	Osb-Ot2	1.716	1.692
$Os_1 - F_1$	1.920	1.922	$Os_2 - F_4$	1.916	1.925	$Os_b - F_t$	1.902	1.905
$Os_1 - F_2$	1.924	1.926	$Os_2 - F_5$	1.922	1.919	$Os_b - F_{b1}$	2.067	2.080
$Os_1 - F_{b1}$	2.155	2.227	$Os_2 - F_{b2}$	2.160	2.233	$Os_b - F_{b2}$	2.064	2.078
			Bond	l Angles (deg)				
$O_1 - O_1 - O_2$	101.30	101.14	O <sub>4</sub> -Os <sub>2</sub> -O <sub>5</sub>	101.19	101.14	Ot-Osb-Ot1	102.75	102.32
$O_1 - O_3 - O_3$	103.00	102.72	$O_4 - O_{s_2} - O_6$	102.78	102.74	$O_t - O_{sb} - O_{t2}$	102.73	102.48
$O_1 - Os_1 - F_1$	156.38	157.16	$O_4 - Os_2 - F_4$	156.66	156.80	$O_t - Os_b - F_t$	153.34	155.04
$O_1 - Os_1 - F_2$	87.40	87.45	$O_4 - Os_2 - F_5$	87.25	87.36	$O_t - Os_b - F_{b1}$	84.23	84.46
$O_1 - Os_1 - F_{b1}$	83.35	82.94	$O_4$ - $Os_2$ - $F_{b2}$	83.94	83.06	$O_t - Os_b - F_{b2}$	83.55	83.76
$O_2 - O_3 - O_3$	103.00	102.85	$O_5 - O_5 - O_6$	103.02	102.75	$O_{t1}$ - $O_{s_b}$ - $O_{t2}$	103.12	102.20
$O_2$ - $Os_1$ - $F_1$	87.96	87.78	$O_5 - Os_2 - F_4$	87.90	87.77	$O_{t1}$ - $Os_b$ - $F_t$	93.70	93.22
$O_2 - Os_1 - F_2$	156.82	156.92	$O_5 - Os_2 - F_5$	156.64	157.20	$O_{t1}$ - $Os_b$ - $F_{b1}$	163.63	165.05
$O_2 - Os_1 - F_{b1}$	81.72	81.58	$O_5 - Os_2 - F_{b2}$	82.97	82.48	$O_{t1}$ - $O_{s_b}$ - $F_{b2}$	89.03	88.89
$O_3-Os_1-F_1$	95.87	95.58	$O_6-Os_2-F_4$	95.90	95.98	$O_{t2}-Os_b-F_t$	93.61	93.01
$O_3 - Os_1 - F_2$	95.76	95.95	O <sub>6</sub> Os <sub>2</sub> F <sub>5</sub>	96.14	95.81	$O_{t2}$ - $O_{sb}$ - $F_{b1}$	89.50	89.08
$O_3 - Os_1 - F_{b1}$	170.98	171.82	$O_6$ - $Os_2$ - $F_{b2}$	169.75	171.10	$O_{t2}-Os_b-F_{b2}$	164.51	165.61
$F_1 - Os_1 - F_2$	76.56	77.07	$F_4-Os_2-F_5$	76.85	77.12	$F_t - Os_b - F_{b1}$	74.88	76.24
$F_1 - Os_1 - F_{b1}$	76.47	77.58	$F_4$ -Os <sub>2</sub> - $F_{b2}$	76.26	76.87	$F_t - Os_b - F_{b2}$	75.82	77.07
$F_2 - Os_1 - F_{b1}$	77.96	78.25	$F_5-Os_2-F_{b2}$	75.83	77.56	$F_{b1}$ -Os <sub>b</sub> - $F_{b2}$	76.93	78.53
Os1-Fh1-Osh	129.77	144.67	Os2-Fh2-Osh	128.80	144.42			

Table D7. Calculated Geometrical Parameters for (µ-FOsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sup>-</sup>



- **Figure D2.** Calculated gas-phase geometry for  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$  ( $C_1$ , SVWN/SDDall). The atom labeling scheme is based on the  $C_i$  symmetry of the structural unit in the crystallographic unit cell.
- **Table D8.**Natural Bond Orbital (NBO) Charges, Valencies, and Bond Orders for<br/> $(OsO_3F_2)_2$  and  $(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$

		(OsC	$(2_3F_2)_2$		$(OsO_3F_2)_2 \cdot 2XeOF_4$				
	charges		vale	valencies		charges		valencies	
Atom	SVWN	B3LYP	SVWN	B3LYP	SVWN	B3LYP	SVWN	B3LYP	
Os	1.88	2.19	3.45	3.48	1.89	2.18	3.47	3.47	
$O_1$	-0.32	-0.37	0.90	0.89	-0.38	-0.36	0.89	0.91	
$O_2$	-0.32	-0.37	0.90	0.91	-0.27	-0.35	0.94	0.92	
$O_3$	-0.32	-0.37	0.90	0.91	-0.27	-0.34	0.93	0.92	
$F_1$	-0.50	-0.59	0.55	0.47	-0.51	-0.58	0.56	0.48	
$F_2$	-0.41	-0.48	0.48	0.44	-0.46	-0.55	0.51	0.45	
Xe					2.96	3.13	2.55	2.47	
$O_4$					-0.79	-0.81	0.84	0.81	
F <sub>3</sub>					-0.53	-0.58	0.36	0.35	
F <sub>4</sub>					-0.55	-0.58	0.35	0.35	
F <sub>5</sub>					-0.53	-0.58	0.35	0.35	
$F_6$					-0.55	-0.58	0.36	0.35	

bond orders								
	(Os	$O_3F_2)_2$	(OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ·2XeOF <sub>4</sub>					
Bond	SVWN	B3LYP	SVWN	B3LYP				
Os–O <sub>1</sub>	0.84	0.87	0.82	0.87				
Os–O <sub>2</sub>	0.84	0.87	0.87	0.88				
Os–O <sub>3</sub>	0.84	0.87	0.87	0.88				
Os–F <sub>1</sub>	0.25	0.23	0.27	0.23				
$Os-F_2$	0.44	0.43	0.42	0.40				
$Os-F_1'$	0.25	0.23	0.23	0.23				
XeF <sub>2</sub>			0.06	0.04				
Xe-O <sub>4</sub>			0.92	0.91				
Xe-F <sub>3</sub>			0.39	0.38				
Xe-F <sub>4</sub>			0.37	0.38				
Xe-F <sub>5</sub>			0.39	0.37				
Xe-F <sub>6</sub>			0.37	0.37				
Xe01'			0.03	0.01				

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#### **APPENDIX E**

### CHAPTER 7: SYNTHESES AND MULTI-NMR STUDY OF *fac*- AND *mer*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) AND THE X-RAY CRYSTAL STRUCTURE (n = 2) AND RAMAN SPECTRUM (n = 0) OF *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)·*n*CH<sub>3</sub>CN

CH₃CN <sup>¢</sup>	fac-OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> (NCCH <sub>3</sub> ) ·nCH <sub>3</sub> CN + free CH <sub>3</sub> CN <sup>c,d,e</sup>	fac-OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> (NCCH <sub>3</sub> ) •nCH <sub>3</sub> CN <sup>c,e,f</sup>	fac-OsO3F2(NCCH3) <sup>eg</sup>	fac-OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> (NCCH <sub>3</sub> ) ·nCH <sub>3</sub> CN <sup>c,e,h</sup>	assgnts
2999(54) 2938(97) 2248(100) 1457(11), 1454(7) 1425(3), 1420(4) 1376(15), 1371(3) 1042(1) 922(20)	2998(32) 2936(58) 2248(35) 1457(8) 1423(7) 920(sh)			3000(21) 2938(54) 2248(45) 1457(7) 1376(15)	CH <sub>3</sub> CN (free solvent)
400(3) 395(12), 392(9) 386(5) 116(18) 108(13) 102(15) 96(32)	389(40) <sup>1</sup>			116(14)br	
	3009(16) <sup>7</sup> 2250(49) 1371(11)	3008(15)br <sup>i</sup> 2330(28) 2251(29) 1370(10)		2950(sh)	CH3CN (crystal lattice)
	289(13), 285(9) 3009(16) <sup>2</sup> 2941(98) 2337(48) 1355(12) 937(84), 924(37) 918(100) 568(12) 530(13)	3008(15)br <sup>4</sup> 2941(74), 2930(sh) 2336(34) 1356(14) 955(9) 944(sh), 940(29) 936(51), 934(sh), 923(38) 918(100), 909(22) 530(11)	3014(8), 2990(2) 2944(43), 2929(24) 2332(36) 1410(6), 1385(24) 1356(14) 1041(1), 1029(1) 956(6), 952(sh) 945(sh), 942(36) 934(33), 924(34) 918(100), 910(30) 598(2)	342(6) 3013(13)br, 2989(7) 2943(45), 2929(24) 2331(38) 1409(8) 1356(16) 964(7), 956(8), 950(9) 945(sh), 942(42) 934(36), 924(36) 918(100), 910(33) 574(10)br 528(7)	fac-OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> (NCCH <sub>3</sub> )

## **Table E1.** Raman Spectra Acquired During the Removal of CH<sub>3</sub>CN from a CH<sub>3</sub>CN Solution of *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>), and the Raman Spectra of Uncoordinated CH<sub>3</sub>CN and of *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) Isolated from SO<sub>2</sub>ClF<sup>*a*</sup>

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<sup>*a*</sup> The Raman spectra were recorded on samples in a FEP tubes at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation. Experimental Raman intensities are given in parentheses and are relative intensities with the most intense band given as 100. <sup>*b*</sup> Solid CH<sub>3</sub>CN. <sup>*c*</sup> The abbreviations denote shoulder (sh) and broad (br). <sup>*d*</sup> The original sample contained  $(OsO_3F_2)_{\infty}$  dissolved in CH<sub>3</sub>CN at 25 °C. Removal of excess CH<sub>3</sub>CN solvent at -40 °C gave a mixture that contained a small amount of uncoordinated CH<sub>3</sub>CN. <sup>*e*</sup> The number of solvent molecules, *n*, in the crystal lattice is most likely 2 based on the X-ray crystal structure of *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)·2CH<sub>3</sub>CN. <sup>*f*</sup> Further pumping led to complete removal of uncoordinated CH<sub>3</sub>CN solvent and formation of OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>) isolated from SO<sub>2</sub>ClF solvent which contained a small amount of uncoordinated CH<sub>3</sub>CN in the crystal lattice. <sup>*i*</sup> Bands at 389 cm<sup>-1</sup> overlap and arise from CH<sub>3</sub>CN (free solvent) and *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>*j*</sup> Bands at 3008 and 3009 cm<sup>-1</sup> overlap and arise from *fac*-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>).



**Figure E1.** Unit cell of fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)·2CH<sub>3</sub>CN viewed along the *a*-axis.



**Figure E2.** Raman spectrum of OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)·*n*CH<sub>3</sub>CN recorded at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation; the symbols denote FEP sample tube lines (\*), a band that overlaps with an FEP sample tube line (‡), and an instrumental artifact (†).



Table E2. Factor-group analysis for fac-OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>(NCCH<sub>3</sub>)·2CH<sub>3</sub>CN

<sup>*a*</sup> The two co-crystallized CH<sub>3</sub>CN molecules in the unit cell are not considered for the purpose of the factor-group analysis. <sup>*b*</sup> The crystallographic space group is *Pnma* with Z = 4 structural unit per unit cell.



Figure E3. Calculated gas-phase geometry (SVWN) for CH<sub>3</sub>CN.

Table E3.	Natural Bond Orbital (NBO) Valencies, Bond Orders, and Natural Population
	Analysis (NPA) Charges for fac-OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> (NCCH <sub>3</sub> ), mer-OsO <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> (NCCH <sub>3</sub> ), and
	$CH_3CN^a$

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			NPA Charge	es		- <u></u>	
	fac-OsO <sub>3</sub> F	F <sub>2</sub> (NCCH <sub>3</sub> )	mer-OsO	<sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> (NCCH <sub>3</sub> )	CH <sub>3</sub> CN		
	(0	C <sub>1</sub> )	(	$(C_1)$	((	C <sub>3v</sub> )	
Atom	SVWN <sup>b</sup>	B3LYP <sup>c</sup>	SVWN <sup>b</sup>	B3LYP <sup>c</sup>	SVWN <sup>b</sup>	B3LYP <sup>d</sup>	
Os	1.83	2.16	1.76	2.07			
$O_1$	-0.38	-0.43	-0.37	-0.41			
O <sub>2</sub>	0.38	-0.43	-0.41	-0.47			
$O_3$	-0.33	-0.40	-0.41	-0.47			
$\mathbf{F}_1$	-0.46	-0.52	-0.37	-0.43			
$\mathbf{F}_2$	-0.46	-0.52	-0.47	-0.53			
N	-0.41	-0.40	0.37	0.36	-0.32	-0.33	
$C_1$	0.49	0.44	0.53	0.50	0.28	0.28	
$C_2$	-0.82	-0.70	-0.83	-0.70	-0.81	-0.69	
Н	0.30	0.26	0.31	0.27	0.28	0.24	
Н	0.31	0.26	0.31	0.27	0.28	0.24	
Н	0.31	0.26	0.31	0.27	0.28	0.24	
			Valencies				
Os	3.71	3.58	3.81	3.61			
O1	0.90	0.89	0.93	0.90			
$O_2$	0.90	0.89	0.86	0.84			
$O_3$	0.91	0.89	0.86	0.84			
$\mathbf{F}_{1}$	0.45	0.43	0.52	0.47			
$F_2$	0.45	0.43	0.41	0.40			
N	2.10	2.08	2.22	2.22	1.85	1.98	
$C_1$	2.78	2.86	2.77	2.85	2.80	3.00	
$C_2$	3.19	3.24	3.19	3.31	3.18	3.28	
Η	0.76	0.78	0.76	0.80	0.76	0.79	
Н	0.76	0.78	0.76	0.80	0.76	0.79	
Н	0.76	0.78	0.76	0.80	0.76	0.79	
			Bond Order	S			
Os-O <sub>1</sub>	0.84	0.85	0.87	0.85			
Os-O <sub>2</sub>	0.84	0.85	0.81	0.79			
Os-O <sub>3</sub>	0.87	0.86	0.81	0.79			
Os-F <sub>1</sub>	0.42	0.41	0.50	0.46			
Os-F <sub>2</sub>	0.42	0.41	0.40	0.37			
Os-N	0.29	0.20	0.40	0.34			
$N-C_1$	1.76	1.86	1.74	1.83	1.84	1.97	
$C_1-C_2$	0.98	0.96	0.99	0.97	0.94	0.97	
C <sub>2</sub> -H	0.73	0.75	0.73	0.78	0.74	0.76	
C <sub>2</sub> -H	0.73	0.76	0.73	0.77	0.74	0.76	
C <sub>2</sub> -H	0.73	0.76	0.73	0.78	0.74	0.76	

<sup>*a*</sup> For the atom labeling schemes, see Figure 7.6. <sup>*b*</sup> The SDDall basis set augmented for F and O with two d-type polarization functions by Huzinaga was used.<sup>151 c</sup> The Stuttgart basis set for Os augmented with one f-type polarization functional was used;<sup>152</sup> aug-cc-pVTZ basis sets were used for all other atoms. <sup>*d*</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ basis set was used.

#### **APPENDIX F**

# CHAPTER 8: SYNTHESES, RAMAN SPECTRA, AND X-RAY CRYSTAL STRUCTURES OF $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] AND $[M][OsO_3F_3]$ (M = XeF<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup>, Xe<sub>2</sub>F<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup>)



**Figure F1.** View of the  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] crystallographic unit cell along the *c*-axis.



**Figure F2.** View of the  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$  crystallographic unit cell along the *c*-axis.



**Figure F3.** View of the  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$  crystallographic unit cell along the *c*-axis.

**Table F1.** Interatomic Distances (Å) Between the Light Atoms Forming the<br/>Coordination Spheres of the Xe and Os atoms in  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>],<br/> $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]$ , and  $[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]$ 

Contacts <sup>a</sup>	$[XeF_5][\mu-F(OsO_3F_2)_2]^b$	$[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]^c$	$[Xe_2F_{11}][OsO_3F_3]^d$
	Cation		
F(1)…F(1A/3/O1B)	2.655(4)	2.449(3)	3.159(3)
F(1)…F(2)	2.418(2)	2.429(3)	2.459(2)
F(1)…F(5/8/6)	2.642(2)	2.700(4)	2.695(2)
F(1)…F(7/5/7)	2.675(2)	2.617(4)	2.637(3)
F(2)…F(2A/3/3)	2.836(4)	2.451(4)	2.643(3)
F(2)…F(5/8/5)	2.618(2)	2.895(4)	2.886(3)
F(2)…F(6/7/6)	2.727(2)	2.656(4)	2.720(2)
F(1A/3/O1B)…F(2A/6/3)	2.418(2)	2.591(3)	2.903(3)
F(1A/O1B)…F(5A/8)	2.642(2)		2.990(3)
F(1A/O1B)…F(7)	2.675(2)		2.916(3)
F(2A/3)…F(5A/5)	2.618(2)		2.666(3)
F(2A/3)…F(6/8)	2.727(2)		2.496(2)
F(4)…F(5)	2.309(2)	2.358(4)	2.357(3)
F(4)…F(5A/8/8)	2.309(2)	2.347(4)	2.336(3)
F(4)…F(6)	2.352(3)	2.354(4)	2.317(3)
F(4)…F(7)	2.345(3)	2.361(4)	2.358(3)
F(5)…F(6)	2.560(2)	2.551(4)	2.598(3)
F(5)…F(7/7/8)	2.570(2)	2.669(4)	2.587(3)
F(5A/6/6)…F(6/7/7)	2.560(2)	2.549(4)	2.640(2)
F(5A/8/8)…F(7)	2.570(2)	2.599(4)	2.526(3)
	Anion		
O(2)···O(1)	2.655(2)	2.663(4)	2.660(4)
O(2)···O(3/3/1A)	2.643(3)	2.666(4)	2.660(4)
O(2)…F(1/1/1A)	2.557(2)	2.630(4)	2.592(3)
O(2)…F(3/3/1)	2.565(2)	2.596(4)	2.592(3)
F(2)···O(1)	2.572(2)	2.603(4)	2.625(3)
F(2)…O(3/3/1A)	2.691(2)	2.642(4)	2.625(3)
F(2)…F(1/1/1A)	2.418(2)	2.429(4)	2.459(2)
F(2)…F(3/3/1)	2.549(2)	2.451(4)	2.459(2)
O(1)····O(3/3/1A)	2.648(3)	2.654(5)	2.636(4)
O(1)…F(3/3/1)	2.599(2)	2.642(4)	2.591(3)
F(1/1/1A)…F(3/3/1)	2.613(2)	2.449(3)	2.548(3)
F(1/1/1A)…O(3/3/1A)	2.634(2)	2.613(4)	2.591(3)

<sup>*a*</sup> The order of the multiple atom numbering given in parentheses corresponds to the ordering of the contact distance entries. <sup>*b*</sup> See Figure 8.1b for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*c*</sup> See Figure 8.2b for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*d*</sup> See Figure 8.3b for the atom labeling scheme.

**Table F2.** Factor-Group Analysis for  $[XeF_5][\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]<sup>*a*</sup>



<sup>*a*</sup> The crystallographic space group is *Pnma* with Z = 4 structural units per unit cell. <sup>*b*</sup> The *xz*-plane is described by the F<sub>4</sub>, Xe, and F<sub>3</sub> atoms.

**Table F3.** Factor-Group Analysis for  $[XeF_5][OsO_3F_3]^a$ 



<sup>a</sup> The crystallographic space group is  $P4_2/n$  with Z = 8 structural units per unit cell.





<sup>*a*</sup> The crystallographic space group is *Pnma* with Z = 4 structural units per unit cell. <sup>*b*</sup> The *xz*-plane is described by the O<sub>2</sub>, Os, F<sub>2</sub>, and F<sub>3</sub> atoms.







**Figure F5.** Calculated B3LYP gas-phase geometries and atom numbering scheme used in Tables F5 and F8 for (a)  $OsO_3F_3^-$  and (b)  $\mu$ -F( $OsO_3F_2)_2^-$ .

**Table F5**. Calculated Geometrical Parameters for  $OsO_3F_3^{-}(C_{3\nu})^a$ 

	Bond Lengths(Å)		Bo	nd Angles (deg	)
	SVWN <sup>b</sup>	B3LYP <sup>c</sup>		SVWN <sup>b</sup>	B3LYP <sup>c</sup>
Os–F	1.950	1.961	F-Os-F	78.9	79.4
Os–O	1.737	1.711	F-Os-O	164.1	164.5
			F–Os–O	88.9	88.7
			O–Os–O	101.1	101.0

<sup>*a*</sup> See Figure F5a for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*b*</sup> The SDDall basis set augmented for F and O with two d-type polarization functions was used. <sup>*c*</sup> The Stuttgart basis set was used for Os with the f functional. The aug-cc-pVTZ basis sets were used for all other atoms.

	SVWN <sup>6</sup>	B3LYP	C	SVWN <sup>b</sup>	B3LYP <sup>c</sup>
Bond Lengths	(Å)				
Xe-F <sub>1</sub>	1.861	1.853	Xe-F <sub>4</sub>	1.899	1.895
Xe-F <sub>2</sub>	1.912	1.907	Xe-F <sub>5</sub>	1.912	1.907
Xe-F <sub>3</sub>	1.899	1.895	XeF <sub>6</sub>	2.264	2.344
Bond Angles (	leg)				
F <sub>1</sub> -Xe-F <sub>2</sub>	82.8	83.5	F <sub>3</sub> -Xe-F <sub>4</sub>	87.5	88.5
F <sub>1</sub> -Xe-F <sub>3</sub>	82.4	83.5	F <sub>3</sub> -Xe-F <sub>5</sub>	165.1	167.0
F <sub>1</sub> -Xe-F <sub>4</sub>	82.4	83.5	F <sub>3</sub> -XeF <sub>6</sub>	79.2	87.2
F <sub>1</sub> -Xe-F <sub>5</sub>	82.8	83.6	F <sub>4</sub> -Xe-F <sub>5</sub>	88.4	89.1
F <sub>1</sub> -XeF <sub>6</sub>	154.4	166.9	F <sub>4</sub> -XeF <sub>6</sub>	79.2	87.2
F <sub>2</sub> -Xe-F <sub>3</sub>	88.4	89.1	F <sub>5</sub> -XeF <sub>6</sub>	114.1	105.4
F <sub>2</sub> -Xe-F <sub>4</sub>	165.1	167.0	XeF <sub>6</sub> Xe'	141.8	171.2
F <sub>2</sub> -Xe-F <sub>5</sub>	91.9	90.4			
F <sub>2</sub> -XeF <sub>6</sub>	114.1	105.5			

**Table F6**. Calculated Geometrical Parameters for  $Xe_2F_{11}^+(C_s)^a$ 

<sup>*a*</sup> See Figure F4b for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*b*</sup> The SDDall basis set augmented for F and Xe with two d-type polarization functions for each atom. <sup>*c*</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets was used.

**Table F7.** Natural Bond Orbital (NBO) Valencies, Bond Orders, and Natural Population<br/>Analysis (NPA) Charges for  $XeF_5^+$  and  $Xe_2F_{11}^+$ 

	X	eF5 <sup>+a</sup>	Xe	$_{2}F_{11}^{+b}$
Atom	SVWN <sup>c</sup>	B3LYP <sup>d</sup>	SVWN <sup>c</sup>	B3LYP <sup>d</sup>
		charges [valend	cies]	
Xe	3.08 [2.40]	3.24 [2.44]	3.074 [2.628]	3.289 [2.613]
F <sub>1</sub>	-0.38 [0.40]	-0.39 [0.42]	-0.415 [0.440]	-0.437 [0.421]
F <sub>2</sub>	-0.42 [0.42]	-0.46 [0.43]	-0.460 [0.449]	-0.502 [0.454]
$F_3$	-0.42 [0.42]	-0.46 [0.43]	-0.459 [0.432]	-0.491 [0.459]
$F_4$	-0.42 [0.42]	-0.46 [0.43]	-0.459 [0.432]	-0.491 [0.459]
F <sub>5</sub>	-0.42 [0.42]	0.46 [0.43]	-0.460 [0.449]	-0.502 [0.454]
F <sub>6</sub>			-0.640 [0.356]	-0.734 [0.435]
		bond order	8	
Xe–F <sub>1</sub>	0.50	0.53	0.518	0.514
Xe–F <sub>2</sub>	0.48	0.48	0.478	0.482
Xe–F <sub>3</sub>	0.48	0.48	0.480	0.491
Xe–F <sub>4</sub>	0.48	0.48	0.480	0.491
Xe-F <sub>5</sub>	0.48	0.48	0.478	0.482
XeF <sub>6</sub>			0.185	0.150

<sup>*a*</sup> See Figure F4a for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*b*</sup> See Figure F4b for the atom labeling scheme.<sup>*a*</sup> The SDDall basis set augmented for F and Xe with two d-type polarization functions. <sup>*b*</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets were used for all other atoms.

	OsC	$P_3F_3^{-a}$	μ-F(O	$sO_{3}F_{2})_{2}^{-b}$
Atom	SVWN <sup>c</sup>	B3LYP <sup>d</sup>	SVWN <sup>c</sup>	B3LYP <sup>d</sup>
		charges [valenci	ies]	
Os	1.859 [3.602]	2.174 [3.694]	1.881 [3.538]	2.191 [3.593]
O(1)	-0.440 [0.849]	0.484 [0.862]	-0.396 [0.869]	-0.431 [0.885]
O(2)	-0.440 [0.849]	-0.484 [0.862]	-0.405 [0.865]	-0.443 [0.886]
O(3)	-0.440 [0.849]	-0.484 [0.862]	-0.409 [0.878]	-0.456 [0.882]
F(1)	-0.513 [0.401]	-0.574 [0.372]	-0.459 [0.441]	-0.527 [0.418]
F(2)	-0.513 [0.401]	-0.574 [0.372]	-0.438 [0.453]	-0.524 [0.419]
F(3)	-0.513 [0.401]	-0.574 [0.372]	-0.550 [0.523]	-0.620 [0.404]
		bond orders		
Os-O(1)	0.813	0.849	0.822	0.858
OsO(2)	0.813	0.849	0.819	0.857
Os–O(3)	0.813	0.849	0.832	0.854
OsF(1)	0.388	0.382	0.414	0.410
Os-F(2)	0.388	0.382	0.424	0.412
Os–F(3)	0.388	0.382	0.239	0.206

**Table F8.** Natural Bond Orbital (NBO) Valencies, Bond Orders and Natural Population Analysis (NPA) Charges for  $OsO_3F_3^-$  and  $\mu$ -F(OsO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup>

<sup>*a*</sup> See Figure F5a for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*b*</sup> See Figure F5b for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*c*</sup> The SDDall basis set augmented for F and O with two d-type polarization functions. <sup>*d*</sup> The Stuttgart basis set was used for Os with the f functional. The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets were used for all other atoms.

#### **APPENDIX G**

## CHAPTER 9: SYNTHESES AND STRUCTURES OF THE MOLECULAR ADDITION COMPOUNDS, XeOF<sub>4</sub>·NgF<sub>2</sub> (Ng = Xe or Kr)



**Figure G1.** View of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> crystallographic unit cell along the *b*-axis.



**Figure G2.** View of XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub> crystallographic unit cell along the *b*-axis.

Table G1.	Interatomic	Distances	(Å)	for	the	Light	Atoms	that	Comprise	the
	Coordination	Spheres of	the X	le <sub>1</sub> at	oms i	n XeOF	F₄·NgF₂ (	Ng = 2	Xe, Kr)	

Contacts <sup>a</sup>	$XeOF_4 \cdot XeF_2^b$	$XeOF_4 \cdot KrF_2^c$
O(1)···F(1)	2.550(6)	2.554(3)
$O(1)\cdots F(2)$		2.547(3)
O(1)…F(3)		2.552(4)
O(1)…F(4)		2.554(4)
$F(1) \cdots F(1A/2)$	2.76(3)	2.682(3)
F(1)···F(2A)		2.937(3)
$F(1) \cdots F(5A/4)$	3.10(1)	2.663(3)
$F(1) \cdots F(5)$	2.783(9)	2.814(4)
$F(2)\cdots F(2A)$		2.971(4)
F(2) - F(3)		2.724(3)
$F(2) \cdots F(6)$		3.070(4)
F(3)…F(4)		2.724(3)
F(3)…F(5B)		3.031(4)
$F(3) \cdots F(6)$		2.801(3)
$F(4) \cdots F(5)$		3.080(3)
F(4)…F(5B)		2.842(3)
F(5)…F(5A/5B)	2.74(4)	3.192(5)
F(5)…F(2A)		3.115(4)
F(6)…F(5B)		2.969(4)
F(6)…F(2A)		3.777(4)

<sup>*a*</sup> The order of the multiple atom numbering given in parentheses corresponds to the ordering of the contact distance entries. <sup>*b*</sup> See Figure 9.3a for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*c*</sup> See Figure 9.3b for the atom labeling scheme.

exptl <sup>a</sup>		assgnt <sup>c</sup>		
	SVWN	B3LYP	PBE1PBE	
928(s)	920(21)[29]	886(20)[25]	936(20)[28]	A1 v(XeO)
609(vw)	610(<1)[254]	593(<1)[282]	619(<0.1)[298]	$E v_{as}(XeF_2)$
577(vs)	560(38)[5]	552(44)[5]	583(40)[4]	A1 $v_s(XeF_4)$
543(m)	533(19)[0]	511(23)[0]	542(21)[0]	B2 $v_s(XeF_2) - v_s(XeF_2)$
362(w)	312(3)[5]	326(3)[4]	346(2)[6]	E δ(OXeF)
287(m)	242(1)[28]	262(1)[35]	281(1)[37]	A1 δ <sub>umb</sub> (XeF <sub>4</sub> )
225(w)	197(3)[0]	211(0)[3]	219(2)[0]	B1 $\delta(XeF_2) + \delta(XeF_2)$
	161(<0.1)[0]	170(<0.1)[0]	183(<0.1)[0]	B2 $\rho_t(XeF_2) - \rho_t(XeF_2)$
161(w)	143(<1)[1]	152(<1)[1]	155(<1)[1]	$E \rho_w(XeF_2)$

Table G2.	Experimental Raman Frequencies, Intensities, and Assignments for Gas-Phase
	XeOF <sub>4</sub> , and the Calculated Vibrational Frequencies and Intensities for XeOF <sub>4</sub>

<sup>*a*</sup> From Ref 101. The abbreviations denote very strong (vs), strong (s), medium (m), weak (w) and very weak (vw). <sup>*b*</sup> Values in parentheses denote calculated Raman intensities ( $Å^4 u^{-1}$ ) and values in square brackets denote calculated infrared intensities (km mol<sup>-1</sup>). The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis set was used. <sup>*c*</sup> The atom labeling scheme refers to the figure below. The abbreviations denote stretch (v), asymmetric (as), symmetric (s), bend ( $\delta$ ), wag ( $\rho_w$ ), and umbrella (umb). The equatorial fluorine atoms are denoted by F<sub>4e</sub> or by F<sub>2e</sub>, and F<sub>2e</sub>'.





Figure G3. Raman spectrum of solid XeOF<sub>4</sub> recorded at -150 °C using 1064-nm excitation; the symbols denote FEP sample tube lines (\*) and an instrumental artifact (†).

Table G3.	Experimental Raman Frequencies, Intensities, and Assignments for Gas-Phase
	NgF <sub>2</sub> , and the Calculated Vibrational Frequencies and Intensities for NgF <sub>2</sub>
	(Ng = Xe, Kr)

		XeF <sub>2</sub>		
exptl <sup>a</sup>		assgnt <sup>e</sup>		
	SVWN	B3LYP	PBE1PBE	
555 <sup>b</sup>	570(0)[219]	548(0)[246]	572(0)[261]	$\overline{\Sigma_u^- v_{as}(NgF_2)}$
497	521(35)[0]	507(47)[0]	534(44)[0]	$\Sigma_{g}^{+} v_{s}(NgF_{2})$
213 <sup>b</sup>	203(0)[13]	205(0)[15]	215(0)[15]	$\Pi_{\rm u} \delta({\rm FNgF})$
		KrF <sub>2</sub>		
	613(0)[231]	584(0)[260]	612(0)[287]	$\Sigma_u v_{as}(NgF_2)$
$462(s)^{c}$	511(36)[0]	492(52)[0]	525(51)[0]	$\Sigma_{g}^{+} v_{s}(NgF_{2})$
	237(0)[12]	235(0)[13]	249(0)[14]	$\Pi_{u} \delta(FNgF)$

<sup>*a*</sup> from ref 267. <sup>*b*</sup> determined by IR spectroscopy and reported as intense. <sup>*c*</sup> from ref 268. <sup>*d*</sup> Values in parentheses denote calculated Raman intensities ( $Å^4 u^{-1}$ ) and values in square brackets denote calculated infrared intensities (km mol<sup>-1</sup>). The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets were used. <sup>*e*</sup> The abbreviations denote stretch (v), asymmetric (as), symmetric (s), and bend ( $\delta$ ).

$2 XeOF_4 XeF_2^{a} \qquad \qquad 2 XeOF_4 KrF_2^{a} \qquad \qquad \text{assgnts } (C_{2h})^{o}$	
SVWN B3LYP PBE1PBE SVWN B3LYP PBE1PBE	
$921(107)[0]  891(74)[0]  938(62)[0]  921(107)[0]  891(67)[0]  938(57)[0]  A_{g}v(XeO) + v(XeO')$	
$920(0)[94]$ $891(0)[69]$ $938(0)[74]$ $921(0)[94]$ $891(0)[4]$ $938(0)[70]$ $B_{u}v(XeO) - v(XeO)$	
$594(0)[444]$ $583(0)[523]$ $609(0)[545]$ $594(0)[444]$ $585(0)[526]$ $611(0)[550]$ $A_{u}(v(XeF_{4}) + v(XeF_{4}) + v(Xe$	$Xe'F_{2}') + v(Xe'F_{3}')) - (v(XeF_{2}) +$
$v(XeF_1) + v(XeF_1') + v($	$(XeF_4))$
$596(10)[0]  583(6)[0]  609(7)[0]  596(10)[0]  585(6)[0]  611(7)[0]  A_{*}(v(XeF_{1}) + v(XeF_{2}) + v$	$Xe'F_{1}') + v(Xe'F_{2}')) - (v(XeF_{3}) +$
$v(XeF_4) + v(XeF_3') + v($	(Xe'F4'))
592(0)[516] 582(0)[548] 607(0)[567] 592(0)[516] 584(0)[490] 610(0)[455] $B_{\mu}(v(XeF_1) + v(XeF_2) + v(XeF_2)$	$Xe'F_{3}') + v(Xe'F_{4}')) - (v(XeF_{3}) +$
$v(XeF_4) + v(XeF_1') + v(XeF_1')$	Xe'F <sub>2</sub> '))
$591(5)[0]$ $581(2)[0]$ $606(2)[0]$ $591(5)[0]$ $583(2)[0]$ $608(2)[0]$ B, $(v(XeF_4) + v(XeF_4) +$	$Xe'F_1') + v(Xe'F_4')) - (v(XeF_2) +$
$v(XeF_4) + v(XeF_4) + v(XeF_4)$	Xe'F <sub>1</sub> '))
514(0)[278] $512(0)[346]$ $535(0)[375]$ $550(0)[176]$ $561(0)[434]$ $589(0)[500]$ B <sub>1</sub> v(NgF <sub>3</sub> ) - v(NgF <sub>3</sub> )	
$547(54)[0]$ $544(64)[0]$ $575(60)[0]$ $547(54)[0]$ $545(71)[0]$ $575(65)[0]$ A, $v(XeF_1) + v(XeF_2) + v(XeF$	$(eF_3) + v(XeF_4) + v(Xe'F_1') + $
$v(Xe'F_2) + v(Xe'F_1) + v(Xe'F_1) + v(Xe'F_2) + v(Xe$	(Xe'F <sub>4</sub> '))
550(0)[176] $547(0)[109]$ $576(0)[109]$ $512(0)[278]$ $539(0)[63]$ $568(0)[94]$ B <sub>0</sub> (v(xeF <sub>1</sub> ) + v(xeF <sub>2</sub> ) + v	$(XeF_4) + v(XeF_4)) - (v(XeF_1') +$
$v(XeF_{3}) + v(XeF_{3}) + v$	$v(Xe'F_{4}')) + v(NgF_{4}) - v(NgF_{4}')$
$506(0)[6]$ $501(0)[3]$ $532(0)[4]$ $506(0)[6]$ $503(0)[2]$ $533(0)[4]$ A <sub>v</sub> (v(XeF <sub>1</sub> ) + v(XeF <sub>1</sub> ) + v(XEF_1) + v(XEF_1) + v(XEF_1) + v(XEF_1) + v(XEF_1) + v(XEF_1) + v(XEF	$Xe'F_{1}' + v(Xe'F_{1}') - (v(XeF_{1}) + v(Xe'F_{2}')) - (v(XeF_{1}) + v(Xe'F_{2}')) - (v(XeF_{1}) + v(Xe'F_{2})) - (v(XeF_{1}) + v(XeF_{1})) - (v(XeF_{1})) - (v(XeF_{1})) - (v(XeF_{1})) - (v(X$
$v(XeF_i) + v(XeF_i) + v(XeF_i)$	(Xe'F <sub>3</sub> '))
$506(28)[0]$ $501(41)[0]$ $531(37)[0]$ $506(28)[0]$ $503(41)[0]$ $533(37)[0]$ B, $(v(XeF_1) + v(XeF_1) + v(XeF_2) + v(XE$	$Xe'F_1') + v(Xe'F_1')) - (v(XeF_2) +$
$v(XeF_{i}) + v(XeF_{i}) + v(X$	(Xe'F <sub>4</sub> '))
$499(110)[0]$ $498(134)[0]$ $523(98)[0]$ $499(110)[0]$ $488(128)[0]$ $520(96)[0]$ A <sub>2</sub> $v(N_{2}F_{2}) + v(N_{2}F_{3})$	
$310(0)[7]$ $326(0)[7]$ $348(0)[9]$ $310(0)[7]$ $327(0)[7]$ $348(0)[10]$ B, $8(0XeF_{2}F_{1}) + 8(0XeF_{2}F_{1})$	F <sub>2</sub> ')
$310(5)[0]$ $326(5)[0]$ $348(5)[0]$ $310(5)[0]$ $327(5)[0]$ $348(5)[0]$ A $8(0\times F_{2}F_{2}) + 8(0\times F_{2}F_{2})$	- 27 Fa')
$309(0)[6]$ $326(0)[7]$ $347(0)[9]$ $309(0)[6]$ $326(0)[7]$ $347(0)[9]$ A $\delta(OXeF_1F_1) + \delta(OXeF_1F_2)$	F <sub>1</sub> )
$308(4)[0]$ $326(5)[0]$ $347(5)[0]$ $308(4)[0]$ $326(5)[0]$ $347(5)[0]$ B, $80xeF_1F_1 + 80xeF_1F_2$	F <sub>4</sub> ')
$250(4)[0]$ $265(2)[0]$ $284(2)[0]$ $250(4)[0]$ $265(2)[0]$ $284(2)[0]$ $A_{a} \delta_{max}(XeF_{a}F_{a}F_{a}F_{a}F_{a}F_{a}F_{a}F_{a}$	$Xe'F_1'F_2'F_1'F_4'$
$259(0)[22]$ $263(0)[92]$ $282(0)[92]$ $258(0)[22]$ $264(0)[52]$ $283(0)[60]$ B <sub>1</sub> $\delta_{max}(xeF,F_2F,F_3) - \delta_{max}(xeF,F_2F,F_3) - \delta_{max}(xeF,F_3F,F_3) - \delta_{max}(xeF,F_3F,F_3) - \delta_{max}(xeF,F_3F,F_3) - \delta_{max}(xeF,F_3F,F_3F,F_3) - \delta_{max}(xeF,F_3F,F_3F,F_3) - \delta_{max}(xeF,F_3F,F_3F,F_3F,F_3F,F_3F,F_3F,F_3F,F_$	$Xe'F_1'F_2'F_3'F_4') = \delta(F_1NgF_1')$
$246(0)[142]$ 228(0)[53] 238(0)[56] 245(0)[142] 251(0)[84] 265(0)[80] B <sub>1</sub> & F_1 NEF_1)	
$215(0)[5]$ $210(0)[7]$ $220(0)[7]$ $215(0)[5]$ $237(0)[6]$ $251(0)[6]$ A <sub>u</sub> $\delta_{mm}(F, NF, t')$	
$198(7)[0]$ 208(5)[0] 217(4)[0] 198(7)[0] 209(5)[0] 217(4)[0] A, $\delta(F_1 \times F_2) + \delta(F_2 \times F_2) +$	- δ(F <sub>1</sub> 'Xe'F <sub>4</sub> ') + δ(F <sub>1</sub> 'Xe'F <sub>2</sub> ')
$196(0)[5]$ 207(0)[3] 215(0)[4] 196(0)[5] 209(0)[1] 217(0)[1] B <sub>2</sub> (8(F, XeF_4) + 8(F, XeF_4))	$-(\delta(F_1'Xe'F_1') + \delta(F_2'Xe'F_2'))$
$177(<0.1)[0]$ $176(<0.1)[0]$ $190(<0.1)[0]$ $177(<0.1)[0]$ $176(<0.1)[0]$ $189(<0.1)[0]$ B. $\alpha(F_1XeF_3) + \alpha(F_2XeF_3)$	$+ \rho_{1}(F_{1}'Xe'F_{2}') + \rho_{2}(F_{1}'Xe'F_{2}')$

**Table G4**. Calculated Vibrational Frequencies and Assignments of 2XeOF<sub>4</sub>·NgF<sub>2</sub> (Ng = Xe, Kr)

$\begin{array}{c} 165(0)[<1]\\ 180(22)[0]\\ 149(0)[6]\\ 133(1)[0]\\ 133(0)[2]\\ 149(1)[0]\\ 89(1)[0]\\ 90(0)[<1]\\ 64(0)[3]\\ 61(0)[<1]\\ 57(<1)[0]\\ 39(<0.1)[0]\\ 36(<1)[0]\\ 25(0)[2]\\ 80(11] \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 173(0)[<1]\\ 154(0)[0]\\ 153(0)[3]\\ 146(1)[0]\\ 146(0)[1]\\ 118(15)[0]\\ 72(1)[0]\\ 58(0)[1]\\ 48(0)[2]\\ 42(0)[<1]\\ 41(<1)[0]\\ 14(<1)[0]\\ -8(1)[0]\\ -8(1)[0]\\ -8(1)[0]\\ -9(0)[2]\\ -7(0)[<0,1] \end{array}$	186(0)[<1] $158(1)[0]$ $158(0)[3]$ $149(<1)[0]$ $122(12)[0]$ $76(1)[0]$ $59(0)[1]$ $52(0)[2]$ $46(0)[<1]$ $44(<1)[0]$ $18(<0.1)[0]$ $12(1)[0]$ $12(0)[2]$ $5(0)[1]$	$\begin{array}{c} 165(0)[<1]\\ 149(1)[0]\\ 149(0)[6]\\ 133(1)[0]\\ 133(0)[2]\\ 180(22)[0]\\ 90(1)[0]\\ 90(0)[<1]\\ 64(0)[2]\\ 61(0)[<1]\\ 57(<1)[0]\\ 39(<0.11)[0]\\ 25(2)[0]\\ 24(0)[<0.1]\\ 800[<0.11]\\ \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 174(0)[<0.1]\\ 155(1)[0]\\ 155(0)[3]\\ 147(1)[0]\\ 147(0)[1]\\ 115(20)[0]\\ 69(1)[0]\\ 63(0)[1]\\ 50(0)[2]\\ 44(0)[<1]\\ 41(<1)[0]\\ 15(<1)[0]\\ 12(0)[2]\\ 12(0)[2]\\ 12(0)[<0.1]\\ 6(0)[1]\\ \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 188(0)[<0.1]\\ 159(1)[0]\\ 159(0)[3]\\ 149(<1)[0]\\ 149(0)[1]\\ 117(15)[0]\\ 71(1)[0]\\ 64(0)[1]\\ 53(0)[3]\\ 47(0)[<1]\\ 42(<1)[0]\\ 18(<0.1)[0]\\ 13(0)[2]\\ 12(0)[<0.1]\\ 40(11]\\ \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{l} A_{u}\left(\rho_{t}(F_{1}XeF_{2})+\rho_{t}(F_{3}XeF_{4})\right)-(\rho_{t}(F_{1}'Xe'F_{2}')+\rho_{t}(F_{3}'Xe'F_{4}')\right)\\ A_{g}\left(\delta(F_{1}XeF_{2})+\delta(F_{1}'Xe'F_{2}')\right)-(\delta(F_{3}XeF_{4})+\delta(F_{1}'Xe'F_{4}'))\\ B_{u}\left(\delta(F_{1}XeF_{2})+\delta(F_{3}'Xe'F_{4}')\right)-(\delta(F_{3}XeF_{4})+\delta(F_{1}'Xe'F_{2}'))\\ B_{g}\left(\delta(F_{1}XeF_{4})+\delta(F_{1}'Xe'F_{4}')\right)-(\delta(F_{2}XeF_{3})+\delta(F_{1}'Xe'F_{3}'))\\ A_{u}\left(\delta(F_{1}XeF_{4})+\delta(F_{2}'Xe'F_{3}')\right)-(\delta(F_{2}XeF_{3})+\delta(F_{1}'Xe'F_{4}'))\\ A_{g}\rho_{ip}(F_{3}NgF_{3}')\\ B_{g}\rho_{roop}(F_{3}NgF_{3}')\\ B_{u}NgF_{2}\cdot2XeOF_{4} coupled modes\\ B_{u}NgF_{2}\cdot2XeOF_{4} coupled modes\\ A_{g}\rho_{t}(XeOF_{1}F_{2}F_{3}F_{4})+\rho_{t}(Xe'O'F_{1}'F_{2}'F_{3}'F_{4}')\\ A_{g}NgF_{2}\cdot2XeOF_{4} coupled modes\\ B_{u}NgF_{2}\cdot2XeOF_{4} coupled modes\\ A_{u}(\rho_{t}(F_{1}XeF_{2})+\rho_{t}(F_{3}XeF_{4}))-(\rho_{t}(F_{1}'Xe'F_{2}')+\rho_{t}(F_{3}'Xe'F_{4}'))\\ A_{g}NgF_{2}\cdot2XeOF_{4} coupled modes\\ B_{u}NgF_{2}\cdot2XeOF_{4} coupled modes\\ A_{u}(\rho_{t}(F_{1}XeF_{2})+\rho_{t}(F_{3}XeF_{4}))-(\rho_{t}(F_{1}'Xe'F_{2}')+\rho_{t}(F_{3}'Xe'F_{4}'))\\ A_{h}NgF_{2}\cdot2XeOF_{4} coupled modes\\ A_{u}(\rho_{t}(F_{1}XeF_{2})+\rho_{t}(F_{3}XeF_{4}))-(\rho_{t}(F_{1}'Xe'F_{2}')+\rho_{t}(F_{3}'Xe'F_{4}'))\\ A_{h}NgF_{2}\cdot2XeOF_{4} coupled modes\\ A_{h}(F_{h}XeF_{h})+\rho_{h}(F_{h}XeF_{h})-(\rho_{h}(F_{h}'Xe'F_{h})+\rho_{h}(F_{h}'Xe'F_{h}'))\\ A_{h}NgF_{2}\cdot2XeOF_{4} coupled modes\\ A_{h}(F_{h}XeF_{h})+\rho_{h}(F_{h}XeF_{h})-(\rho_{h}(F_{h}'Xe'F_{h})+\rho_{h}(F_{h}'Xe'F_{h}'))\\ A_{h}NgF_{2}\cdot2XeOF_{4} coupled modes\\ A_{h}(F_{h}XeF_{h})+\rho_{h}(F_{h}XeF_{h})-(\rho_{h}(F_{h}'Xe'F_{h}')+\rho_{h}(F_{h}'Xe'F_{h}'))\\ A_{h}NgF_{2}\cdot2XeOF_{4} coupled modes\\ A_{h}(F_{h}XeF_{h})+\rho_{h}(F_{h}XeF_{h})+\rho_{h}(F_{h}'Xe'F_{h}')+\rho_{h}(F_{h}'Xe'F_{h}')\\ A_{h}NgF_{2}\cdot2XeOF_{4} coupled modes\\ A_{h}(F_{h}YeF_{h})+\rho_{h}(F_{h}YeF_{h}')+\rho_{h}(F_{h}'YeF_{h}')+\rho_{h}(F_{h}'YeF_{h}')\\ A_{h}NgF_{h}YEF_{h}'YeF_{h}'YEF_{h$
23(0)[2] 8(0)[1] 24(0)[<0.1]	9(0)[2] -7(0)[<0.1] 4(0)[1]	5(0)[1] 13(0)[<0.1]	24(0)[<0.1] 8(0)[<0.1] 36(<1)[0]	6(0)[1] 1(1)[0]	4(0)[1] 10(1)[0]	$A_{u} \left(\rho_{t}(F_{1} \times eF_{2}) + \rho_{t}(F_{3} \times eF_{4})\right) - \left(\rho_{t}(F_{1} \times eF_{2}) + \rho_{t}(F_{3} \times eF_{4})\right)$ $A_{u} \operatorname{NgF}_{2} 2 \operatorname{XeOF}_{4} \operatorname{coupled} \operatorname{modes}$ $B_{g} \operatorname{NgF}_{2} 2 \operatorname{XeOF}_{4} \operatorname{coupled} \operatorname{modes}$

<sup>*a*</sup> Values in parentheses denote calculated Raman intensities (Å<sup>4</sup> u<sup>-1</sup>) and values in square brackets denote calculated infrared intensities (km mol<sup>-1</sup>). The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets were used. <sup>*b*</sup> The abbreviations denote stretch ( $\nu$ ), bend ( $\delta$ ), wag ( $\rho_w$ ), rock ( $\rho_r$ ), twist ( $\rho_t$ ), umbrella ( $\delta_{umb}$ ), in-plane (ip), and out-of-plane (oop). See Figure 9.7b and 9.8b for the atom labeling scheme, Ng = Xe and Kr for 2XeOF<sub>4</sub>·XeF<sub>2</sub> and 2XeOF<sub>4</sub>·KrF<sub>2</sub>, respectively.

Table G5. Calculated vibrational Frequencies of AeOF <sub>4</sub> ·4Ae	Table G5.	Calculated	Vibrational	Frequencies	of XeOF <sub>4</sub> ·4XeI
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	calcd		assgnts <sup>b</sup>
SVWN	B3LYP	PBE1PBE	<u>C4</u>
909(62)[51]	883(32)[34]	930(30)[39]	$A, \nu(Xe_1O_1)$
576(<1)[250]	579(<0.1)[283]	602(<0.1)[293]	$E, v(Xe_1F_2) - v(Xe_1F_4)$
570(22)[42]	550(27)[43]	575(39)[41]	$A_{2} \left[ \nu(Xe_{2}F_{5}) + \nu(Xe_{3}F_{7}) + \nu(Xe_{4}F_{9}) + \nu(Xe_{5}F_{11}) \right]$
			$-\left[\nu(Xe_{2}F_{6})+\nu(Xe_{3}F_{8})+\nu(Xe_{4}F_{10})+\nu(Xe_{5}F_{12})\right]$
531(10)[4]	540(21)[1]	569(6)[1]	A, $\nu(Xe_1F_1) + \nu(Xe_1F_2) + \nu(Xe_1F_3) + \nu(Xe_1F_4)$
552(1)[500]	538(1)[497]	560(1)[517]	E, $v(Xe_2F_6) - v(Xe_4F_{10})$
551(23)[0]	535(20)[0]	558(25)[0]	B, $[v(Xe_{2}F_{6}) + v(Xe_{4}F_{10})] - [v(Xe_{3}F_{8}) + v(Xe_{5}F_{12})]$
511(63)[0]	503(30)[0]	530(6)[0]	B, {[ $\nu(Xe_1F_1) + \nu(Xe_1F_3)$ ] - [ $\nu(Xe_1F_2) + \nu(Xe_1F_4)$ ]}
			$- \{ [\nu(Xe_{2}F_{5}) + \nu(Xe_{4}F_{9})] - [\nu(Xe_{3}F_{7}) + \nu(Xe_{5}F_{11})] \}$
503(220)[3]	499(156)[4]	524(143)[4]	A, $\nu(Xe_2F_5) + \nu(Xe_3F_7) + \nu(Xe_4F_9) + \nu(Xe_5F_{11})$
506(6)[77]	499(5)[89]	523(4)[118]	$\mathbf{E}, \mathbf{\nu}(\mathbf{X}\mathbf{e}_{2}\mathbf{F}_{5}) - \mathbf{\nu}(\mathbf{X}\mathbf{e}_{4}\mathbf{F}_{9})$
491(25)[0]	495(73)[0]	522(82)[0]	B, {[ $\nu(Xe_1F_1) + \nu(Xe_1F_3)$ ] - [ $\nu(Xe_1F_2) + \nu(Xe_1F_4)$ ]}
			+ { [ $\nu(Xe_2F_5) + \nu(Xe_4F_9)$ ] - [ $\nu(Xe_3F_7) + \nu(Xe_5F_{11})$ ]}
343(4)[4]	341(4)[5]	362(3)[6]	$E, \delta(O_1 X e_1 F_1 F_2) - \delta(O_1 X e_1 F_3 F_4)$
288(<1)[30]	278(1)[42]	298(<1)[45]	A, $\delta_{\text{umb}}(\text{Xe}_1\text{F}_1\text{F}_2\text{F}_3\text{F}_4)$
240(2)[0]	218(2)[0]	228(2)[0]	B, $[\delta(F_1Xe_1F_2) + \delta(F_3Xe_1F_4)] + [\rho_w(F_5Xe_2F_6) + \rho_w(F_9Xe_4F_{10})]$
			$- \left[ \rho_{w}(F_{7}Xe_{3}F_{8}) + \rho_{w}(F_{11}Xe_{5}F_{12}) \right]$
226(1)[69]	213(<1)[71]	223(<1)[70]	A, $\rho_{w}(F_{5}Xe_{2}F_{6}) + \rho_{w}(F_{7}Xe_{3}F_{8}) + \rho_{w}(F_{9}Xe_{4}F_{10}) + \rho_{w}(F_{11}Xe_{5}F_{12})$
231(1)[18]	211(<0.1)[16]	221(<1)[19]	E, $\rho_{w}(F_{5}Xe_{2}F_{6}) - \rho_{w}(F_{9}Xe_{4}F_{10})$ or $\rho_{w}(F_{7}Xe_{3}F_{8}) - \rho_{w}(F_{11}Xe_{5}F_{12})$
214(1)[0]	209(<1)[0]	218(<1)[0]	B, $[\delta(F_1Xe_1F_2) + \delta(F_3Xe_1F_4)] + [\delta(F_5Xe_2F_6) + \delta(F_5Xe_4F_{10})] - [\delta(F_7Xe_3F_8) + \delta(F_{11}Xe_5F_{12})]$
211(<1)[14]	207(<1)[<0.1]	217(<1)[1]	A, $\delta(F_5Xe_2F_6) + \delta(F_9Xe_4F_{10}) + \delta(F_7Xe_3F_8) + \delta(F_{11}Xe_5F_{12})$
211(<0.1)[25]	207(<0.1)[21]	216(<0.1)[20]	$E, \left[\rho_{w}(F_{5}Xe_{2}F_{6}) + \rho_{w}(F_{7}Xe_{3}F_{8})\right] - \left[\rho_{w}(F_{9}Xe_{4}F_{10}) + \rho_{w}(F_{11}Xe_{5}F_{12})\right]$
AAAA 43503			or $[\rho_w(F_5Xe_2F_6) + \rho_w(F_9Xe_4F_{10})] - [\rho_w(F_7Xe_3F_8) + \rho_w(F_{11}Xe_5F_{12})]$
208(<1)[0]	201(<1)[0]	209(<1)[0]	B, $[\delta(F_1Xe_1F_2) + \delta(F_3Xe_1F_4)] - [\rho_w(F_5Xe_2F_6) + \rho_w(F_9Xe_4F_{10})]$
107(1)[0]	100( -1)[0]	007/ -11[0]	+ $[\rho_{w}(F_{7}Xe_{3}F_{8}) + \rho_{w}(F_{11}Xe_{5}F_{12})]$
187(1)[0]	193(<1)[0]	207(<1)[0]	$B, \rho_t(F_1Xe_1F_2) - \rho_t(F_3Xe_1F_4)$
160(1)[6]	156(1)[2]	160(<1)[2]	$E, \phi(F_1Xe_1F_3)$
121(1)[<1]	81(2)[1]	88(2)[1]	$E, p_{f} X = OF_{4}$
102(1)[<0.1]	03(1)[<0.1] 55(<0.1)[<0.1]	68(<1)[<0.1]	A, $A \in OF_4$ (4 $A \in F_2$ def
91(<0.1)[0] 86(8)[0]	55(<0.1)[<0.1] 50(3)[0]	54(3)[0]	$P_{1}(\alpha (E \vee E) + \alpha (E \vee E \vee E)) = [\alpha (E \vee E) + \alpha (E \vee E)$
88(1)[<1]	49(1)[<1]	53(1)[<1]	D, $[p_1(r_5xc_2r_6) + p_1(r_9xc_4r_{10})] - [p_1(r_7xc_3r_8) + p_1(r_{11}xc_4r_{12})]$ E 4XeE def
72(<01)[<1]	40(<1)[<1]	44(<1)[<1]	$\Delta = \alpha (Xe.F.F.F.F.)$
66(<1)[0]	38(2)[0]	41(2)[0]	$\mathbf{B}$ 4XeFa def
67(<1)[<0.1]	37(<1)[<1]	39(<1)[<1]	A. $XeOF_4 4XeF_2$ breathing
57(1)[2]	31(1)[1]	33(1)[1]	$E, XeOF_4 4XeF_2$ def
39(<0.1)[0]	24(1)[0]	24(1)[0]	B, 4XeF <sub>2</sub> def
34(<1)[0]	21(<1)[<0.1]	21(<1)[<0.1]	A, 4XeF <sub>2</sub> def
52(1)[1]	21(1)[<1]	22(<1)[<1]	E, $XeOF_4 4XeF_2 def$
21(2)[0]	11(1)[0]	11(1)[0]	B, $4XeF_2$ def
30(<1)[<0.1]	-7(1)[1]	15(1)[1]	E, XeOF <sub>4</sub> ·4XeF <sub>2</sub> def
-12(2)[0]	-16(4)[0]	-14(3)[0]	B, $4XeF_2$ det

<sup>*a*</sup> Values in parentheses denote calculated Raman intensities ( $Å^4 u^{-1}$ ) and values in square brackets denote calculated infrared intensities (km mol<sup>-1</sup>). The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets were used. <sup>*b*</sup> The abbreviations denote stretch (v), bend ( $\delta$ ), wag ( $\rho_w$ ), twist ( $\rho_t$ ), umbrella ( $\delta_{umb}$ ), deformation mode (def). See Figure 9.7a for the atom labeling scheme.

	$exptl^{b}$		calcd ( $C_{4v}$	)°						
		SVWN	B3LYP	PBE1PBE						
	Bond Lengths (Å)									
Xe–F <sub>1</sub>	1.900(5)	1.939	1.949	1.924						
Xe–O	1.70(1)	1.737	1.742	1.726						
Bond Angles (deg)										
$F_1$ -Xe- $F_2$	90.0	89.9	89.9	89.9						
$F_1$ -Xe- $F_3$	180.0	180.0	180.0	180.0						
O-Xe-F	91.8(5)	92.8	92.5	92.0						

### **Table G6**. Calculated Bond Lengths and Angles of $XeOF_4(C_{4\nu})^a$

<sup>*a*</sup> See Figure 9.7a for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*b*</sup> from Ref 103. <sup>*c*</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ basis sets were used.

**Table G7**. Calculated Bond Lengths and Angles of  $XeF_2^a$  and  $\alpha KrF_2^b$ .

	exptl		calcd $(D_{\infty h})$	$)^d$					
с		SVWN	B3LYP	PBE1PBE					
Bond Lengths (Å)									
Xe–F <sub>1</sub>	1.999(4)	1.993	2.012	1.986					
$Kr-F_1$	1.894(5)	1.870	1.891	1.861					
Bond Angles (deg)									
$F_1$ -Xe- $F_2$	180	180.0	180.0	180.0					
$F_1-Ng-F_2$	180	180.0	180.0	180.0					

<sup>*a*</sup> from Ref 262 <sup>*b*</sup> from Ref 126. <sup>*c*</sup> See Figure 9.7b for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*d*</sup> The augcc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets were used.

	$2 \text{XeOF}_4 \cdot \text{XeF}_2 \left( C_{2h} \right)^b$			$2 \text{XeOF}_4 \cdot \text{KrF}_2 (C_{2h})^c$			
	SVWN	B3LYP	PBE1PBE	SVWN	B3LYP	PBE1PBE	
			Charges	<u></u>			
Xe <sub>1</sub>	2.99	3.13	3.17	2.99	3.12	3.16	
$O_1$	-0.78	-0.81	-0.84	-0.78	-0.81	-0.84	
$\mathbf{F}_1$	0.57	-0.59	-0.59	-0.57	-0.59	-0.59	
F <sub>2</sub>	-0.57	-0.59	0.59	-0.57	-0.59	-0.59	
F <sub>3</sub>	-0.55	-0.58	-0.58	-0.55	-0.57	-0.58	
F <sub>4</sub>	0.55	0.58	0.58	-0.55	-0.57	-0.58	
$F_5$	0.58	-0.62	-0.63	0.49	-0.52	-0.53	
Ng	1.21	1.25	1.26	1.03	1.05	1.06	
			Valencies				
Xe <sub>1</sub>	2.76	2.66	2.54	2.76	2.66	2.54	
$O_1$	0.87	0.84	0.81	0.87	0.84	0.81	
F <sub>1</sub>	0.41	0.39	0.36	0.41	0.39	0.37	
F <sub>2</sub>	0.41	0.39	0.36	0.41	0.39	0.37	
F <sub>3</sub>	0.41	0.39	0.37	0.41	0.40	0.37	
F4	0.41	0.39	0.37	0.41	0.40	0.37	
F <sub>5</sub>	0.42	0.37	0.37	0.42	0.37	0.38	
Ng	0.73	0.62	0.64	0.72	0.64	0.68	
			Bond Orders	1			
Xe <sub>1</sub> –O <sub>1</sub>	0.98	0.96	0.93	0.98	0.95	0.93	
$Xe_1-F_1$	0.42	0.41	0.39	0.42	0.41	0.39	
$Xe_1-F_2$	0.42	0.41	0.39	0.42	0.41	0.39	
Xe <sub>1</sub> –F <sub>3</sub>	0.44	0.42	0.40	0.44	0.42	0.40	
Xe <sub>1</sub> –F <sub>4</sub>	0.44	0.42	0.40	0.44	0.42	0.40	
Xe <sub>1</sub> F <sub>5</sub>	0.08	0.04	0.03	0.07	0.04	0.03	
Ng-F5	0.32	0.30	0.31	0.33	0.31	0.32	

**Table G8.** Natural Bond Orbital NPA Charges, Valencies and Bond Orders of  $2XeOF_4 \cdot NgF_2 (Ng = Xe, Kr)^a$ 

<sup>*a*</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets were used. <sup>*b*</sup> See Figure 9.7b for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*c*</sup> See Figure 9.8b for the atom labeling scheme.

	XeOF <sub>4</sub> .	$4 \text{XeF}_2 (C_4)^b$		$\underline{XeOF_4 2KrF_2 (C_1)^c}$				
	SVWN	B3LYP	PBE1PBE	<u> </u>	SVWN	B3LYP	PBE1PBE	
			Ch	Charges				
Xe <sub>1</sub>	3.01	3.14	3.18	Xe <sub>1</sub>	3.00	3.14	3.18	
O1	-0.79	-0.82	-0.84	$O_1$	-0.79	-0.82	-0.84	
$\mathbf{F}_1$	-0.56	-0.58	-0.58	F <sub>1</sub>	-0.57	-0.58	0.59	
				F <sub>2</sub>	-0.57	-0.58	-0.59	
				F3	-0.57	-0.58	-0.59	
				F4	-0.57	-0.58	0.59	
Xe <sub>2</sub>	1.19	1.23	1.24	K <b>r</b> 1	1.00	1.03	1.05	
F <sub>5</sub>	-0.61	-0.63	-0.64	F <sub>5</sub>	-0.52	-0.54	-0.55	
F <sub>6</sub>	-0.56	-0.59	-0.60	$F_6$	-0.46	0.48	-0.49	
				Kr <sub>2</sub>	1.00	1.03	1.05	
				$F_7$	-0.52	-0.54	-0.55	
				F <sub>8</sub>	-0.46	-0.48	-0.49	
			Vale	encies				
Xe <sub>1</sub>	2.53	2.44	2.54	Xe <sub>1</sub>	2.79	2.44	2.53	
$O_1$	0.80	0.80	0.81	$\mathbf{O}_1$	0.87	0.80	0.81	
$\mathbf{F}_1$	0.35	0.35	0.36	$F_1$	0.41	0.35	0.37	
				$F_2$	0.41	0.35	0.37	
				F <sub>3</sub>	0.41	0.35	0.37	
				F <sub>4</sub>	0.41	0.35	0.37	
Xe <sub>2</sub>	0.68	0.62	0.60	Kr <sub>1</sub>	0.70	0.61	0.64	
F <sub>5</sub>	0.36	0.33	0.32	F <sub>5</sub>	0.38	0.33	0.34	
F <sub>6</sub>	0.37	0.33	0.33	F <sub>6</sub>	0.38	0.34	0.36	
				Kr <sub>2</sub>	0.70	0.61	0.64	
				$F_7$	0.38	0.33	0.34	
				$F_8$	0.38	0.34	0.36	
			Bond	Orders				
Xe <sub>1</sub> -O <sub>1</sub>	0.91	0.91	0.93	Xe <sub>1</sub> –O <sub>1</sub>	0.97	0.91	0.93	
$Xe_1-F_1$	0.37	0.38	0.39	$Xe_1-F_1$	0.42	0.37	0.39	
				$Xe_1-F_2$	0.42	0.37	0.39	
				Xe <sub>1</sub> -F <sub>3</sub>	0.42	0.37	0.39	
				Xe <sub>1</sub> -F <sub>4</sub>	0.42	0.37	0.39	
Xe1F5	0.03	0.01	0.01	Xe <sub>1</sub> F <sub>5</sub>	0.07	0.02	0.03	
				$Xe_1$ $F_7$	0.07	0.02	0.03	
Xe <sub>2</sub> -F <sub>5</sub>	0.30	0.32	0.28	Kr <sub>1</sub> –F <sub>5</sub>	0.30	0.28	0.29	
Xe <sub>2</sub> -F <sub>6</sub>	0.35	0.28	0.31	Kr <sub>1</sub> –F <sub>6</sub>	0.37	0.32	0.34	
				$Kr_2-F_7$	0.30	0.28	0.29	
				$Kr_2-F_8$	0.37	0.32	0.34	

**Table G9.** Natural Bond Orbital NPA Charges, Valencies and Bond Orders of<br/> $XeOF_4 \cdot 4XeF_2$  and  $XeOF_4 \cdot 2KrF_2$ .<sup>a</sup>

<sup>*a*</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets were used. <sup>*b*</sup> See Figure 9.7a for the atom labeling scheme. <sup>*c*</sup> See Figure 9.8a for the atom labeling scheme.

Atom	SVWN	B3LYP	PBE1PBE							
	NPA Charges									
Xe	2.97	3.10	3.14							
F	-0.55	-0.57	-0.58							
0	-0.78	-0.80	-0.83							
	Valence									
Xe	2.51	2.46	2.54							
F	0.36	0.34	0.36							
0	0.81	0.80	0.80							
Bond Order										
Xe-F	0.39	0.38	0.40							
Xe–O	0.93	0.92	0.94							

**Table G10.** Natural Bond Orbital (NBO) Natural Population Analysis Charges,<br/>Valencies, and Bond Orders for  $XeOF_4 (C_{4\nu})^a$ 

<sup>*a*</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets were used. See Figure 9.7 for the atom labeling scheme.

Table G11.	Natural	Bond	Orbital	(NBO)	Natural	Population	Analysis	Charges,
	Valencie	es, and l	Bond Ord	lers for N	lgF <sub>2</sub> (Ng =	= Xe, Kr) (Da	$(\infty h)^a$	

		XeF <sub>2</sub>			KrF <sub>2</sub>				
Atom	SVWN	B3LYP	PBE1PBE	SVWN	B3LYP	PBE1PBE			
NPA Charges									
Ng	1.16	1.21	1.22	0.98	1.01	1.03			
F	-0.58	-0.60	-0.61	0.49	-0.51	-0.52			
			Valencie	es					
Ng	0.63	0.56	0.59	0.70	0.59	0.62			
F <sub>1</sub>	0.33	0.30	0.31	0.35	0.31	0.33			
Bond Orders									
Ng-F <sub>1</sub>	0.32	0.28	0.29	0.35	0.29	0.31			

<sup>*a*</sup> The aug-cc-pVTZ(-PP) basis sets were used. See Figure 9.7 for the atom labeling scheme.