

Crystal structure of baryum dicobalt iron(III) three(orthophosphate) belonging to a -CrPO₄ family

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Abstract

The new compound, BaCo₂Fe(PO₄)₃, has been synthesized by solid state reaction. The analysis by X-ray diffraction technique showed that it crystallizes in the orthorhombic system with the space group Imma. The structure is closely linked to that of a -CrPO₄ type structure. In this structure two oxygen atoms (O1, O2) are in general position and the others in special positions. The three-dimensional network of the crystal structure is made up of two types of chains running to [001] direction. The first chain is originated from two edge-sharing CoO₆ octahedra leading to the formation of Co₂O₁₀ dimers that are connected to two PO₄ tetrahedra by a common edge. The junction of FeO₆ octahedra and PO₄ tetrahedra sharing vertices allowed to built the second chain. These chains are linked together by common vertices of tetrahedra PO₄ to form an open three-dimensional framework that delimits two types of tunnels parallel to [010] and [100] where the BaII cations are located. Indeed, each Barium cation is surrounded by eight oxygen atoms.

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