

## HETEROTRINUCLEAR [Fe<sup>III</sup>Ni<sup>II</sup>]- $\mu_3$ -OXO-CLUSTER BASED ON SALICYLIC ACID. SYNTHESIS, STRUCTURE AND PHYSICO-CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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**Abstract.** The reaction of iron nitrate and nickel chloride with ammonium salicylate in the presence of methanol and dimethylformamide (DMF) results in the formation of a new trinuclear heterometallic complex [hexa-  $\mu_2$ -salicylato-  $\mu_3$ -oxo-(methanol) (dimethylformamide) aquadiiron(III) nickel(II)] methanol dimethylformamide. The complex crystallizes in the monoclinic space group *C2/c* and was structurally characterized by single crystal X-ray diffraction as [Fe<sub>2</sub>NiO(SalH)<sub>6</sub>(CH<sub>3</sub>OH)(DMF)(H<sub>2</sub>O)]·DMF·CH<sub>3</sub>OH, where SalH are monodeprotonated salicylic acid ions. The IR and Mössbauer spectra and thermal properties were studied. The parameters of the Mössbauer spectrum ( $\delta_{\text{Fe}} = 0.45$  mm/s,  $\Delta E_Q = 1.086$  mm/s, 300 K) suggest the high-spin state of the Fe<sup>3+</sup> ions (S = 5/2).

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