
The Syntheses of Hydrotalcite-Like Compounds and Their Structures and Physico-Chemical Properties I: The Systems $\text{Mg}^{2+}\text{-Al}^{3+}\text{-NO}_3^-$, $\text{Mg}^{2+}\text{-Al}^{3+}\text{-Cl}^-$, $\text{Mg}^{2+}\text{-Al}^{3+}\text{-ClO}_4^-$, $\text{Ni}^{2+}\text{-Al}^{3+}\text{-Cl}^-$ and $\text{Zn}^{2+}\text{-Al}^{3+}\text{-Cl}^-$

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Abstract: The basic salts of this system were prepared and their structures and physico-chemical properties were studied by electron microscopy, chemical analysis, X-ray powder diffraction, thermal analysis, i.r. absorption spectra, BET absorption, and acidity-basicity measurements. The salts were found to be new compounds analogous to hydrotalcite. They can be expressed by the formula; $[\text{M}_x^{2+}\text{M}_y^{3+}(\text{OH})_{2(x+y)}]^{y+} [\text{A}_{z_1}^- \text{A}_{z_2}^{2-} \cdot m\text{H}_2\text{O}]^{-(z_1+2z_2)}$ where M^{2+} and M^{3+} denote di- and trivalent cations, A^- and A^{2-} denote mono- and divalent anions, respectively, and $y = z_1 + 2z_2$; $z_1 \gg z_2$.

The structures consist of positively charged $\text{Cd}(\text{OH})_2$ -like basic layers and intermediate layers formed from anions and water molecules with the solid solution of divalent cation (M^{2+}) and trivalent cation (M^{3+}) being formed in the range of $0.6 < x/(x+y) < 0.9$. The anions of Cl^- , NO_3^- and ClO_4^- are easily substituted by CO_3^{2-} . A large part of the NO_3^- makes a monodentate-type bond and the ClO_4^- a bridge-type bond.

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