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EPR Characterization of V(IV) Complexes with and without an oxo group

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- EPR of V(IV) in fluid solution
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 - Interpretation of hyperfine coupling constants
- Tumbling correlation times
- Electron spin relaxation times
 - Impact of flexibility
- Electron-nuclear double resonance to measure small couplings
- V(III) requires high magnetic fields

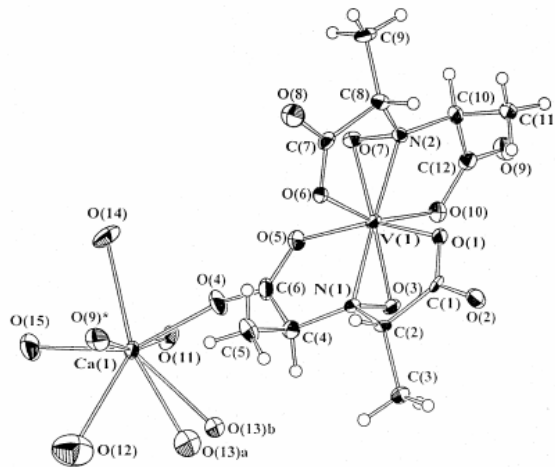
V(IV)

V(IV) is d_{xy}^1 .

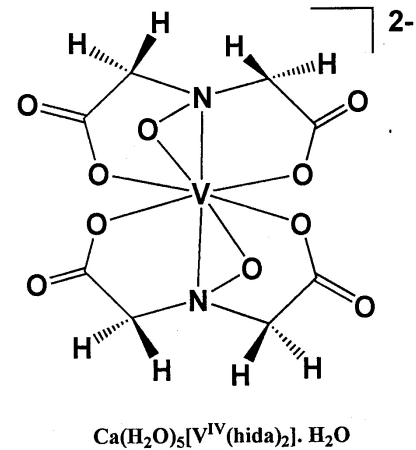
One unpaired electron gives $S = \frac{1}{2}$

Most EPR studies have been performed on complexes of VO^{2+}

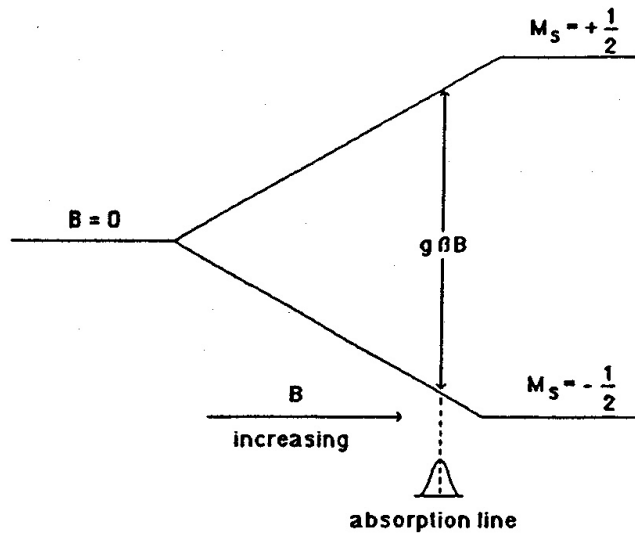
The natural product amavadin and its analogs are air-stable V(IV) complexes without an oxo group.



Amavadin bound to Ca^{2+} cation

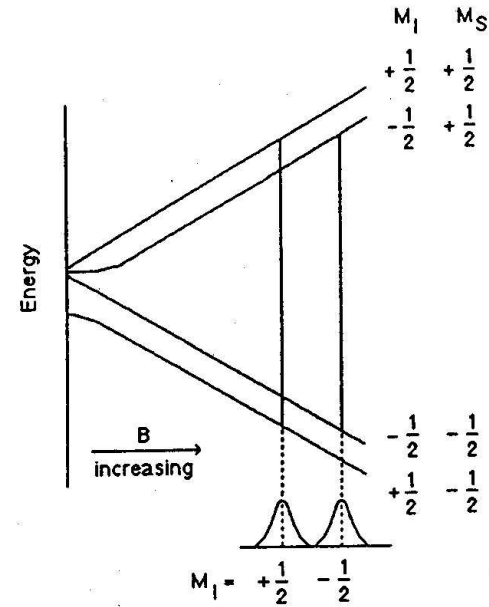


EPR Basics



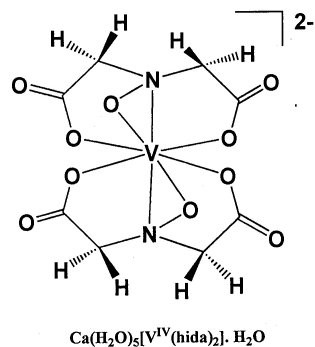
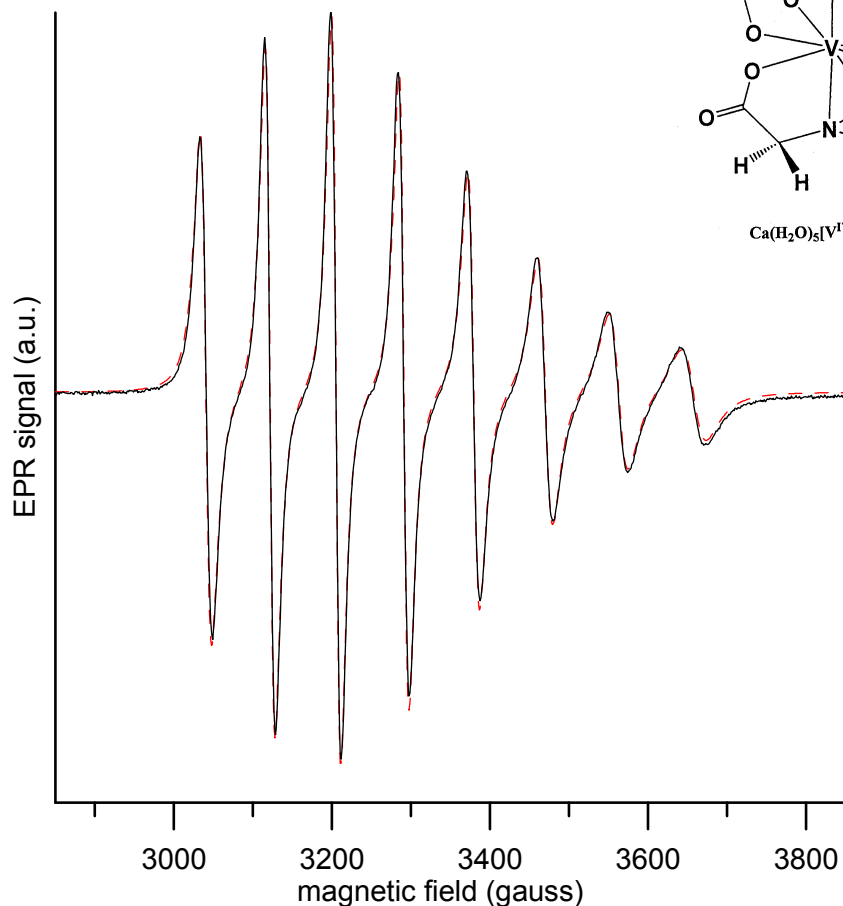
$$h\nu = g\beta B$$

EPR spectra usually are displayed as the 1st derivative of the absorption signal.



The number of hyperfine lines is $2nI+1$.

V(IV) in H₂O at 295 K



The hida complex is a model for the natural product amavadin. Note that it is V(IV) complex, but **without an oxo group!**

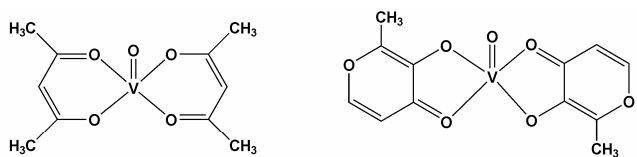
Vanadium nuclear spin = $7/2$
 $2nI + 1$ lines = 8

Parameters from simulations

$$g_{\text{iso}} = 1.964$$

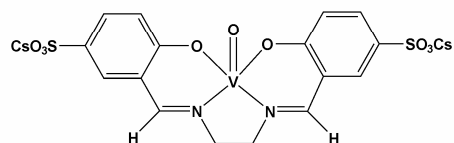
$$A_{\text{iso}} = 81.3 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

Comparison of g_{iso} and A_{iso} values in H_2O

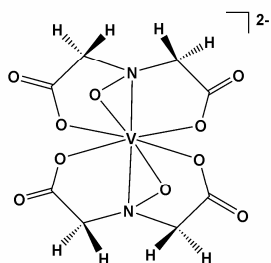


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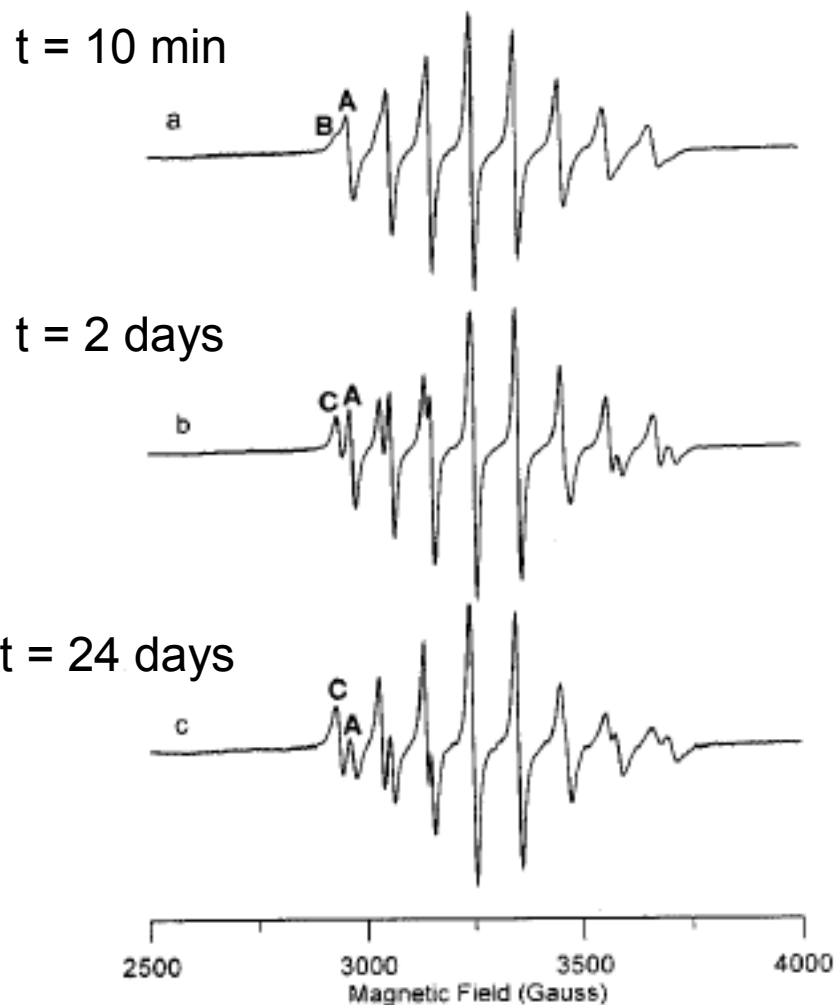


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Compound	g_{iso}	A_{iso}
1 VO(acac) ₂	1.966	91
2 VO(maltol) ₂	1.963	95
3 VO(salen-SO ₃) ₂ ²⁻	1.963	85
4 V(hida) ₂ ²⁻	1.964	81

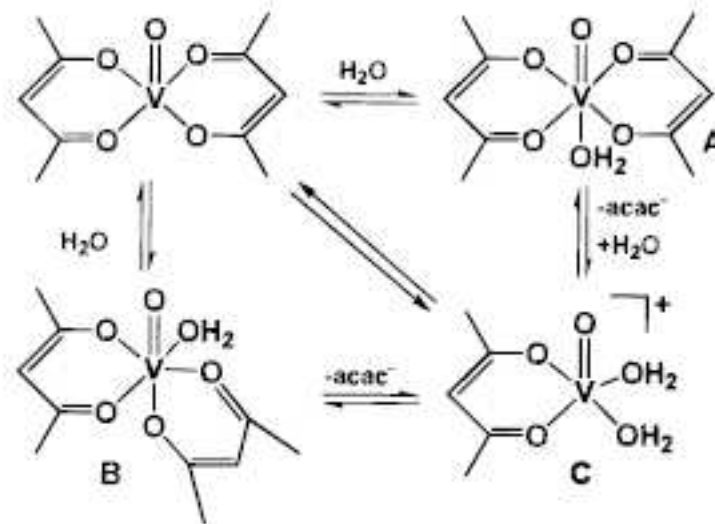
- g -values ~ 1.965 are typical for V(IV)
- variations in A_{iso} are larger than for g_{iso}
- A_{iso} and g_{iso} for V(hida)₂²⁻ are similar to those for oxo complexes

Differences in A_{iso} are large enough to monitor reactions of $VO(acac)_2$ in H_2O

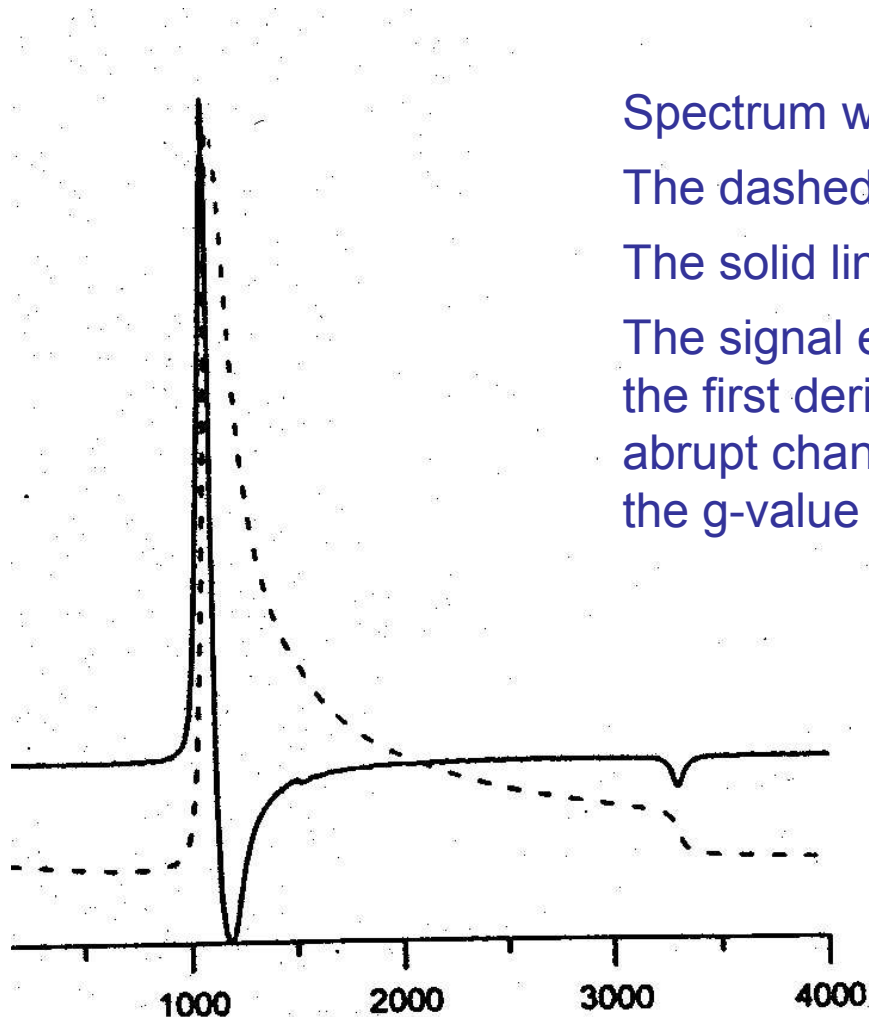


The proposed assignments of species A, B, and C are:

Scheme 1. Species A, B, and C



Anisotropy in immobilized samples



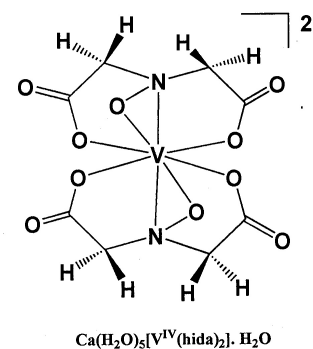
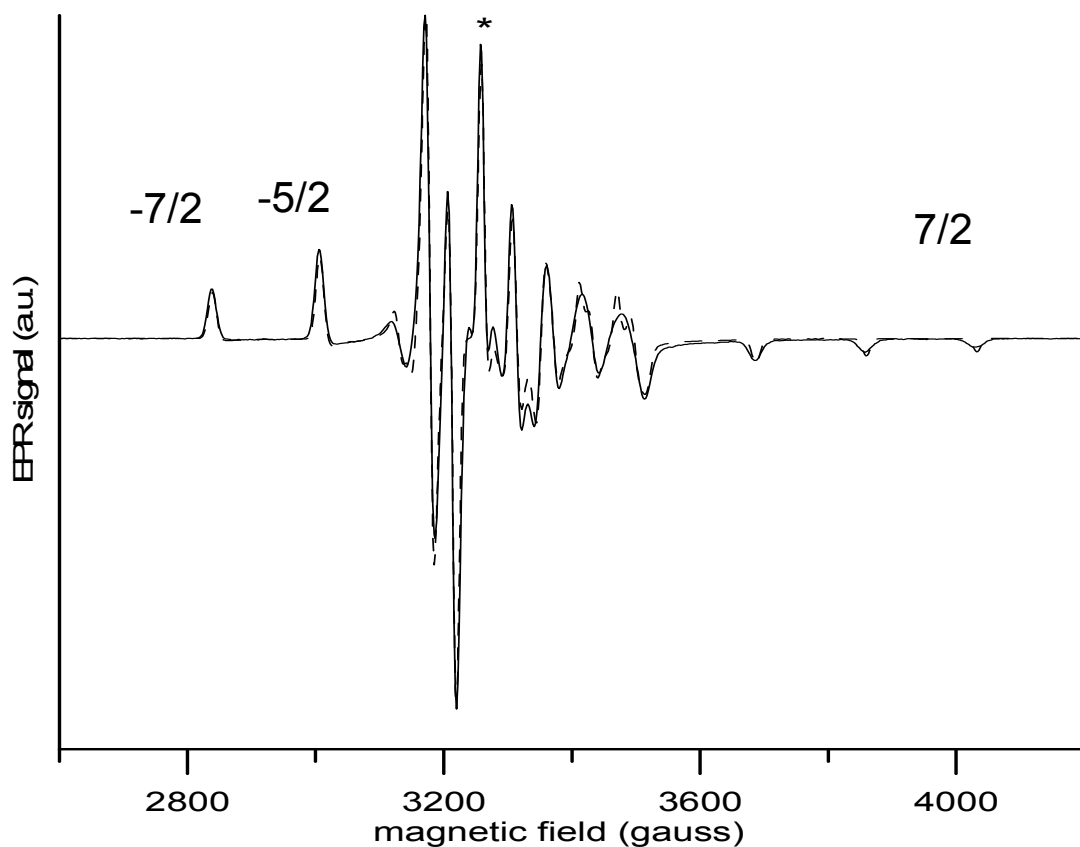
Spectrum with $g_x = g_y = 6.0$, $g_z = 2.0$.

The dashed line is the absorption curve.

The solid line is the first derivative.

The signal extends from 1000 to 3300 G but the first derivative display emphasizes the abrupt changes in amplitude that occur near the g-value extrema.

Rigid-lattice spectra at 118 K



X-band spectrum in 1:1
water:glycerol, which
forms a glass.

Parameters from simulations:

$$g_x = 1.986, g_y = 1.984, g_z = 1.918$$

$$A_x = 42, A_y = 49, A_z = 153 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

Comparison of g and A values in glassy 1:1 water:glycerol

Sample	$g_x,$ A_x	$g_y,$ A_y	$g_z,$ A_z
VO(maltol) ₂	1.977 60	1.974 55	1.939 169
VO(acac) ₂	1.980 54	1.967 56	1.950 163
VO(salen-SO ₃) ²⁻	1.978 46	1.974 55	1.955 154
V(hida) ₂ ²⁻	1.986 42	1.984 49	1.918 153

Units for A values are 10^{-4} cm^{-1}

To avoid aggregation and locally high concentrations it is important to use solvents that form a glass when cooled.

Interpretation of $A_{||}$ values

- For square pyramidal vanadyl complexes the additive contributions to $A_{||}$ from various ligands have been tabulated. Contributions decrease in the order
$$\text{H}_2\text{O} > \text{Cl}^- > \text{py} > \text{OH}^- > \text{RO}^- > \text{RS}^-$$
[T. S. Smith et al., Coord. Chem. Rev. 228, 1 \(2002\).](#)
- For π -bonding ligands, such as imidazole, the contribution to $A_{||}$ increases as the angle between the ligand plane and vanadyl bond increases. [T. S. Smith et al., Coord. Chem. Rev. 228, 1 \(2002\).](#)
- DFT calculations have improved substantially. Values of A_{iso} and $A_{||}$ for vanadyl complexes can be calculated within about 10%. [A. C. Saladino and S. C. Larsen, J. Phys. Chem. A 107, 1872 \(2003\)](#)

Impact of tumbling correlation time for $V(\text{hida})_2^{2-}$

