

1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25
26
27
28
29
30
31
32
33
34
35
36
37
38
39
40
41
42
43
44
45
46
47
48
49
50
51
52
53
54
55
56
57
58
59
60

Experimental Determination and Thermodynamic Correlation of 7-Amino-4-Methylcoumarin Solubility in Various Cosolvency Mixtures at (278.15 - 323.15) K

Yuli Shi^{1,2,*}, Haojian Zhang¹, Xiaomin Hong¹, Xiaodong Wang²

¹ School of Materials and Chemical Engineering, Ningbo University of Technology, Fenghua Road 201, Ningbo
315016, Zhejiang, P.R. China

² Chemical and Materials Engineering, School of Engineering, University of Aberdeen, Aberdeen AB24 3UE,
Scotland, United Kingdom

Corresponding author. Phone: + 86 574 88918259; Fax: + 86 574 88918259.

E-mail address: yuli_shi@tju.edu.cn

ABSTRACT: Four solvents (ethanol, isopropanol, ethylene glycol (EG) and *N,N*-dimethyl formamide (DMF)) that can be mixed with water in any ratio were selected to determine the dissolution performance of 7-amino-4-methylcoumarin by the classical shake-flask method. The measured temperature range began at 278.15 and ended at 303.15K, and the pressure environment was controlled at standard atmospheric pressure (101.1 kPa). Results reveal that with the addition of organic solvents, the solubilization effect of the 7-amino-4-methylcoumarin was very significant, and the larger the amount of addition, the more obvious the effect of solubilization. Not only that, the temperature change had a non-negligible effect on the dispersion of 7-amino-4-methylcoumarin, the temperature increases monotonically, and the better the dissolution. When the external conditions were kept constant, the addition of DMF made the solubilization effect of 7-amino-4-methylcoumarin most obvious among all the organic solvents used. This study involved three models including the Jouyban-Acree model and its two variants (van't Hoff-Jouyban-Acree model and Apelblat-Jouyban-Acree model) were used to correlate the solubility data of 7-amino-4-methylcoumarin in aqueous cosolvent mixtures. The *RAD* and *RMSD* reaches to 3.47×10^{-2} and 1.79×10^{-3} rooting in the van't Hoff-Jouyban-Acree model. The relevant parameters obtained through model calculation and experimental means are essential for product synthesis, separation and purification processes.

■ INTRODUCTION

The aqueous solubility is a vital physicochemical property in the pharmaceutical drug development, however, poor solubility of them has brought many problems and limited further application in some drug delivery issues.¹⁻³ Solubility enhancement of low or insoluble drugs is one of the most significant means in drug discovery, improving bioavailability, dose reduction and efficiency and chemical processes design.³⁻⁹ As one of the important representative of coumarin derivatives, 7-amino-4-methylcoumarin ($C_{10}H_9NO_2$, CAS No. 26093-31-2, also named

1
2 4-methyl-7-aminocoumarin or Coumarin 120, molecular weight $175.18 \text{ g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$, abbreviated as
3
4 7-AMC, chemical structure shown in Figure 1 of supporting information), a beige to brown
5
6 crystalline powder, that is the important fluorescent substance successfully applied in diversified
7
8 performance areas¹⁰⁻¹⁴ *i.e.* microbial detection, immunoassay, biochemical enzymology and
9
10 polypeptide synthesis owing to active 7-position amino group. It has strong fluorescence properties
11
12 in the visible region which is widely used as fluorescent whitening agents, fluorescent indicators,
13
14 fluorescent dyes and laser dyes, that attracted much attention in recent years in the development of
15
16 new organic electroluminescent materials, solar cells, organic dye photosensitizers and biological
17
18 probes.¹⁵⁻¹⁹

19
20
21
22 In the natural state, the 7-AMC is very unsatisfactory as an organic drug dissolved in water, such
23
24 a situation greatly affects its absorption in the small intestine, resulting in a particularly low
25
26 bioavailability. More importantly, understanding the dissolution data of drugs in common solvents
27
28 is an important reference for crystallization separation, extraction and other operations.^{8,20,21} There
29
30 are many ways to obtain a drug with higher purity and a more beautiful appearance. The method of
31
32 adding an organic solvent to water to change the solubility of the drug is not only efficient but also
33
34 inexpensive, and most importantly, the operation of the method is relatively simple.²²⁻²⁴ The
35
36 preferred solvent used to recrystallize the crude product in Refs (10–12) is ethanol. In terms of the
37
38 selection principle of the mixed solvent, the selected solvent should satisfy three conditions
39
40 including steady, non-toxic, and inexpensive.²⁵ Numerous available solvents such as ethanol,
41
42 isopropanol, dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO), *N,N*-dimethylformamide (DMF), polyethylene glycols
43
44 and etc.^{21,23,26} To the best of our knowledge, prior to this, no relevant scientific researcher
45
46 systematically explored the dissolution of 7-AMC, so this work system measured the dissolution
47
48 data in the mixed solvents, filling the gap in this field. The acquisition of these data is very practical
49
50 for the fine chemical industry and the biopharmaceutical industry, and has strongly promoted the
51
52 development of the pharmaceutical industry.

■ EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

Materials, Apparatus and Methods. The development, production and distribution of 7-AMC is completed by Shanghai Haohong Biomed. Tech. Co., Ltd. The label on the reagent bottle indicates that the purity of the drug is mass fraction ≥ 0.98 . In order to ensure the accuracy of the experimental data, the purchased drug 7-AMC was dissolved in ethanol and then recrystallized. The above operation was repeated three times, and the final product concentration was 0.995 in mass fraction confirmed by a high-performance liquid phase chromatograph (HPLC, Agilent-1260). All organic solvents (ethanol, isopropanol, EG and DMF) are developed and produced by Aladdin Reagent Co., Ltd., Shanghai. The purity of the reagent bottle label indicates that the mass fraction is greater than 0.995. After verification by gas chromatography (GC, FULI 9790, China), the data on the label is found to be authentic. The twice distilled deionized water (conductivity $< 2 \mu\text{S}\cdot\text{cm}^{-1}$) was prepared in our laboratory. The information on all the drugs and reagents involved in this experiment is detailed in Table 1. The various components of the device used in this experiment were vividly drawn in Figure 2 of Supporting Information, the construction principle of this experimental device is almost the same as the principle of the equipment used in the previous experiment.²⁶ Nevertheless, it is necessary to briefly introduce the functions of the various components of the experimental device. The functions of the experimental apparatus can be mainly divided into three categories, including dissolution, stirring and temperature control. The dissolution process is mainly carried out in a jacketed glass instrument with a capacity of 100 ml. The main function of the agitation process is to help dissolve the drug. This process is also carried out in the glass container just mentioned, in which a magnetic stirrer is placed and driven by the magnetic stirrer below to achieve the purpose of stirring. The main function of the temperature control process is to ensure that the dissolution process is carried out in a constant temperature environment, which is mainly accomplished by the cooperation of the thermostatic bath (Shanghai Joyn Electronic Co., Ltd., China, Model: QYHX-1030, standard uncertainty: 0.05 K) and the circulating

1
2 fluid (water + isopropanol). The circulating fluid flows from the water bath through the interlayer of
3
4 the glass instrument to achieve the purpose of the dissolution process at a constant temperature. In
5
6 order to further enhance the precise control of the dissolution temperature, a mercury glass micro
7
8 thermometer (standard uncertainty: 0.02 K) is inserted into the solution during the dissolution
9
10 process. The organic solvent is a volatile liquid, and it is necessary to add a cover to the glass
11
12 container during the dissolution process in order to prevent the total amount of the organic solvent
13
14 from being lost. An analytical balance (Satorius Scientific Instrument (Beijing), model: BSA224S,
15
16 standard uncertainty: 0.0001 g) was employed to determine the mass of the solute, solvent, and
17
18 saturated solution.
19
20
21

22
23 **Preparation of Cosolvency Systems.** In the process of preparing a mixture of organic solvent
24
25 and water according to a certain ratio, the analytical balance (model: BSA224S) is the
26
27 implementation of the beginning and the end. The quality of the mixture prepared each time is
28
29 controlled at 50 g (standard uncertainty: 0.0001 g). The ratio of organic solvent to water starts at 0
30
31 and increases at a rate of 0.1 until it increases to 1. The organic solvent is a volatile liquid, and it is
32
33 necessary to add a cover to the glass container during the dissolution process in order to prevent the
34
35 total amount of the organic solvent from being lost at 101.1 kPa. The concentration of 7-AMC
36
37 (mole fraction $x_{w,T}$) in the mixed solvents is obtained from Eq. (1), and The composition (w) of the
38
39 binary mixed solvent is obtained by Eqs. (2) and (3).
40
41
42
43

$$44 \quad x_{w,T} = \frac{m_1/M_1}{m_1/M_1 + m_2/M_2 + m_3/M_3} \quad (1)$$

$$47 \quad w_1 = \frac{m_2}{m_2 + m_3} \quad (2)$$

$$51 \quad w_2 = \frac{m_3}{m_2 + m_3} \quad (3)$$

54
55 Here, m_1 , m_2 and m_3 represent the mass of 7-AMC, organic solvents and water, respectively. M_1 ,
56
57 M_2 and M_3 are the corresponding molar mass.
58

1
2 **Solubility Investigation.** The dispersion performance of 7-AMC in mixed solvents of ethanol +
3 water, isopropanol + water and so on is determined by the shake-flask method^{8,27-30}, and the mole
4 fraction of the solute in the steady state of the solution is accurately calculated by modern analytical
5 instrument HPLC (Agilent-1260). The place where the saturated solution of 7-AMC is obtained in
6 each experiment is in a jacketed glass container. Approximately 50 g of mixed solvent and a certain
7 amount of 7-AMC are added to the glassware, and the amount of 7-AMC is required to ensure that
8 there is remaining after the solution is saturated. Stirring is essential during the preparation of the
9 saturated solution, on the grounds that it is difficult to ensure that the solute and the solvent can be
10 uniformly mixed and saturated in the natural state. In addition, the dissolution process needs to be
11 carried out in a relatively stable temperature environment, which relies on circulating fluid flowing
12 between the jacketed glass instrument and the thermostatic bath. The next step is to find the
13 equilibrium point of dissolution. Take 1 ml of solution by 2 ml of preheated syringe equipped with
14 a pore syringe filter (PTFE 0.2 μm) every 1 hour and transfer it to a volumetric flask to dilute the
15 volume and then analyzed by HPLC. When the results derived by HPLC are the same three times in
16 succession, it can be basically determined that the dissolution system has reached a steady state.
17 Furthermore, it is also an important part to obtain the time when the dissolution of the solute
18 reaches the dynamic equilibrium. The two commonly used methods are the precipitation solute
19 method and the increased solute method. When the two methods achieve consistent results, the
20 results can be considered scientifically valid. The results showed that it spent about 18 h to be
21 equilibrium and then the stirrer was turned off. While waiting for the solute suspended in the
22 solution to completely settle to the bottom of the container, the clear solution is quickly transferred
23 to a 25 ml volumetric flask and diluted to volume. After shaking, it is analyzed by HPLC.

24
25
26
27
28
29
30
31
32
33
34
35
36
37
38
39
40
41
42
43
44
45
46
47
48
49
50
51
52 **Analysis Method.** As a commonly used quantitative analytical instrument, Agilent-1260 HPLC
53 was selected to determine the content of 7-AMC this time. The following is a brief introduction to
54 the configuration. The chromatographic column is a type LP-C18 (250 mm \times 4.6 mm) reverse
55
56
57
58
59
60

1
2 column and the usual operating temperature setting is still 303 K. The maximum absorption
3
4 wavelength of the UV-vis detector was 210 nm. The mobile phase used this time is
5
6 chromatographically pure methanol without adding any other solvent with a flow rate of 0.8
7
8 ml·min⁻¹. The results of the analysis should be noted that each sample should be measured three
9
10 times under the same conditions. If the three data are not much different, their mean values are
11
12 taken. If the deviation is large, it needs to be re-measured until scientific results are obtained
13
14 (relative standard uncertainty: 0.025).
15
16

17
18 **XPRD of 7-AMC Solid Phase.** The X-ray powder diffraction (XPRD) is a commonly used
19
20 instrument for qualitative analysis of drug crystal forms, which is often favored because of its
21
22 simplicity and accuracy. The 7-AMC solid crystal form precipitated at the bottom during the
23
24 experiment was also analyzed by XPRD (Bruker AXS D8 Advance, Germany). The samples were
25
26 determined by Cu K α radiation ($\lambda=1.54184$ nm), and the tube voltage 40 kV and tube current 30
27
28 mA, respectively. The diffraction angle (2-Theta) starts at 5°, increases at a rate of 5° per minute,
29
30 and ends when the diffraction angle reaches 80° at room temperature under atmospheric pressure.
31
32
33

34 ■ RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

35
36
37 **XPRD Characteristic.** In the dissolution process, since the nature of the solvent and the solute
38
39 are differentiated, the possibility of a chemical reaction between the solvent and the solute is not
40
41 excluded. In order to eliminate this interference term, XPRD was used to characterize 7-AMC. The
42
43 patterns of the raw material and the all crystal samples are plotted in Figure 3 of supporting
44
45 information. The effective information that can be obtained from it is that almost every shape of the
46
47 map, the position and size of the characteristic peaks are almost the same as the raw materials. This
48
49 is a powerful proof that there is no chemical reaction between 7-AMC and the solvent chosen, and
50
51 the crystal shape of the solute itself does not change.
52
53

54
55 **Experimental Solubility.** The equilibrium mole fraction of 7-AMC in four aqueous cosolvent
56
57 solutions are listed in Tables 2, 3, 4 and 5. The dissolution effect of temperature and organic
58
59

1
2 solvent addition on 7-AMC is also vividly drawn in Figures. 1-4. It can be seen from Tables 2-5
3
4 that The higher the temperature rise, the less difficult the dissolution of 7-AMC is, and the smaller
5
6 the amount of organic solvent added, the more difficult it is to dissolve. The addition of DMF made
7
8 the solubilization effect of 7-AMC most obvious among all the organic solvents used under fixed
9
10 conditions.
11

12
13 The dissolution performance of 7-AMC in various mixed solvents varies, because the
14
15 physical-chemical properties of various solvents vary widely. DMF is the most polar in terms of the
16
17 polarity of the four organic solvents used this time, which results in the best dissolution of 7-AMC
18
19 in a mixed solvent of DMF and water. At the same time, EG is one of the protic non-polar solvents,
20
21 resulting in a lower amount of 7-AMC dissolved in the EG aqueous solution.
22
23

24 ■ THERMODYNAMIC COSOLVENCY MODELS

25
26
27 The mixed solution system is already a relatively common system in all dissolution systems. In
28
29 the past reports^{21,23,28}, there are some thermodynamic models suitable for mixed dissolution systems,
30
31 such as Jouyban–Acree model^{21,23,31}, van't Hoff–Jouyban–Acree model with equation^{21,23,32} and
32
33 Jouyban–Acree model combined with modified Apelblat equation^{21,23,33,34}.
34
35

36
37 **Jouyban-Acree Model.** The Jouyban-Acree model is given as Eq. (4).

$$38 \ln x_{w,T} = w_1 \ln x_{1,T} + w_2 \ln x_{2,T} + \frac{w_1 w_2}{T / K} \sum_{i=0}^2 J_i (w_1 - w_2)^i \quad (4)$$

39
40 where $x_{w,T}$ denotes the solubility of 7-AMC in solvent mixtures; w_1 and w_2 are the mass fraction
41
42 of organic solvents and water; $x_{1,T}$ and $x_{2,T}$ are the mole fraction of 7-AMC in pure solvents; and J_i
43
44 are the Jouyban-Acree model parameters.
45
46
47

48
49 **Van't Hoff-Jouyban-Acree Model.** The Van't Hoff equation introduces the reciprocal of
50
51 temperature, and the mole fraction of the solute is linear with the reciprocal of temperature.
52
53

$$54 \ln x_T = A + \frac{B}{T / K} \quad (5)$$

Combining Eq. (4) and Eq. (5), the van't Hoff-Jouyban-Acree model can be derived^{21,23,32} and expressed as Eq. (6).

$$\ln x_{w,T} = w_1 \left(A_1 + \frac{B_1}{T/K} \right) + w_2 \left(A_2 + \frac{B_2}{T/K} \right) + \frac{w_1 w_2}{T/K} \sum_{i=0}^2 J_i (w_1 - w_2)^i \quad (6)$$

A_1, B_1, A_2, B_2 and J_i are equation parameters.

Modified Apelblat-Jouyban-Acree Model. The modified Apelblat equation is described as Eq. (7)

$$\ln x_T = A + \frac{B}{T/K} + C \ln(T/K) \quad (7)$$

$A, B,$ and C are equation parameters; and also x_T is the mole fraction solubility of 7-AMC

By substituting Eq. (7) into Eq. (4), the modified Apelblat-Jouyban-Acree model is obtained^{21,23,33,34}

$$\ln x_{w,T} = w_1 \left[A_1 + \frac{B_1}{T/K} + C_1 \ln(T/K) \right] + w_2 \left[A_2 + \frac{B_2}{T/K} + C_2 \ln(T/K) \right] + \frac{w_1 w_2}{T/K} \sum_{i=0}^2 J_i (w_1 - w_2)^i \quad (8)$$

Eqs. (4), (6) and (8) are the mathematical expressions of the three models respectively, and the experimental data is brought into the expression to obtain the corresponding model parameters by means of nonlinear regression. During the regression process, the objective function is defined as

$$F = \sum_{i=1}^N \left(\ln x_i^e - \ln x_i^c \right)^2 \quad (9)$$

In addition, the relative average deviation (*RAD*) and root-mean-square deviation (*RMSD*) are employed and described as Eqs. (10) and (11).

$$RAD = \frac{1}{N} \sum \left(\frac{|x_{w,T}^c - x_{w,T}^e|}{x_{w,T}^e} \right) \quad (10)$$

$$RMSD = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^N (x_{w,T}^c - x_{w,T}^e)^2}{N}} \quad (11)$$

where N is the number of experimental data points. $x_{w,T}^e$ represents the experimental value; and

1
2
3 $x_{w,T}^c$ is the calculated value.
4

5 All the formula calculations involved in this paper and the regression of related parameters are
6 realized by Mathcad software. All calculations including associated model parameter values
7 together with the *RAD* and the *RMSD* are detailed in Table 6. In order to vividly show the
8 difference between the calculated values of the model and the experimental values, the solubility
9 data of 7-AMC in cosolvent mixtures of (ethanol + water), (isopropanol + water), (EG + water) and
10 (DMF + water) calculated by the Jouyban–Acree model is also added in Figures 1-4. Table 6 shows
11 that the maximum value of *RAD* is 3.47 % from the van't Hoff-Jouyban-Acree model for ethanol +
12 water. Similarly, the *RMSD* are no more than 1.79×10^{-3} . Among all the selected models, the data
13 derived by the Jouyban-Acree model is closest to the experimental results. Not only that, but the
14 settlement results of the other two models can also be considered scientific and effective for the
15 experimental results.
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25
26
27
28
29

30 ■ CONCLUSION

31
32
33 The four organic solvents are mutually soluble with water in a certain ratio to form a stable
34 mixed liquid, and the solute 7-AMC is dissolved in the above mixed liquid and the mole fraction of
35 7-AMC after stabilization was determined with the classical shake-flask method. The measured
36 temperature range began at 278.15 and ended at 303.15K, and the pressure environment was
37 controlled at standard atmospheric pressure (101.1 kPa). Results reveal that with the addition of
38 organic solvents, the solubilization effect of the 7-AMC was very significant, and the larger the
39 amount of addition, the more obvious the effect of solubilization. Not only that, the temperature
40 change had a non-negligible effect on the dispersion of 7-AMC, the temperature increases
41 monotonically, and the better the dissolution. A total of three models were selected to calculate the
42 dispersion concentration of 7-AMC. The *RAD* and *RMSD* were no more than 3.47×10^{-2} and
43 1.79×10^{-3} , respectively. The addition of the organic solvent effectively reduces the difficulty of
44
45
46
47
48
49
50
51
52
53
54
55
56
57
58
59
60

dispersing the solute, especially when the proportion of the organic solvent exceeds 0.5. The most eye-catching is that when the DMF ratio is 1, the dispersion of solute reaches a maximum.

■ ASSOCIATED CONTENT

Ⓢ Supporting Information

Supporting Information Available: Chemical structure of 7-AMC (Figure S1), experimental apparatus (Figure S2), XRD patterns (Figure S3).

■ AUTHOR INFORMATION

Corresponding author

*Phone: + 86 574 88918259; Fax: + 86 574 88918259. E-mail address: yuli_shi@tju.edu.cn.

ORCID

Yuli Shi: 0000-0003-3891-920X

Haojian Zhang: 0000-0003-2541-8596

Funding

This research was supported by Zhejiang Provincial Natural Science Foundation of China under Grant No. Y17B060016. The author gratefully acknowledges the support of K. C. Wong Education Foundation.

Notes

The authors declare no competing financial interest.

REFERENCES

- (1) Rosen, H. and Abribat, T. The Rise and Rise of Drug Delivery. *Nat. Rev. Drug Discov.* **2005**, *4*, 381–385.
- (2) Hirano, A.; Arakawa, T.; Shiraki, K. Arginine Increases the Solubility of Coumarin: Comparison with Salting-in and Salting-out Additives. *J. Biochem.* **2008**, *144*, 363–369.
- (3) Hatefi, A.; Jouyban, A.; Mohammadian, E.; Acree, W. E.; Rahimpour, E. Prediction of

- 1
2 Paracetamol Solubility in Cosolvency Systems at Different Temperatures. *J. Mol. Liq.* **2019**, *273*,
3
4 282–291.
5
6 (4) Mohammadian, E.; Barzegar-Jalali, M.; Rahimpour, E. Solubility Prediction of Lamotrigine in
7
8 Cosolvency Systems Using Abraham and Hansen Solvation Parameters. *J. Mol. Liq.* **2019**, *276*,
9
10 675–679.
11
12 (5) Chaudhary, A.; Nagaich, U.; Gulati, N.; Sharma, V. K.; Khosa, R. L. Enhancement of
13
14 Solubilization and Bioavailability of Poorly Soluble Drugs by Physical and Chemical Modifications:
15
16 A Recent Review. *J. Adv. Pharm. Edu. Res.* **2012**, *2*, 32–67.
17
18 (6) Li, R. Water-Insoluble Drug Formulation (Second Edition), CRC Press: Boca Raton, FL, **2008**.
19
20 (7) Rathi, P.; Jouyban, A.; Khoubnasabjafari, M.; Kale, M. Solubility of Etoricoxib in Aqueous
21
22 Solutions of 1,4-Butanediol, 1,4-Dioxane, *N,N*-Dimethylacetamide, *N,N*-Dimethylformamide,
23
24 Dimethyl Sulfoxide, and Ethanol at 298.2 K. *J. Chem. Eng. Data.* **2015**, *60*, 2128–2134.
25
26 (8) Sardari, F.; Jouyban, A. Solubility of Nifedipine in Ethanol + Water and Propylene Glycol +
27
28 Water Mixtures at 293.2 to 313.2 K. *Ind. Eng. Chem. Res.* **2013**, *52*, 14353–14358.
29
30 (9) Zhang, P. S.; Zhao, R.; Zhang, C.; Wan, Y. M.; Li, T.; Ren, B. Z. Thermodynamic Analysis and
31
32 Correlation of Cyromazine in Three (Acetic Acid, Propanoic Acid or Ethylene Glycol + Water)
33
34 Binary Solvents at Different Temperatures. *J. Mol. Liq.* **2018**, *272*, 158–169.
35
36 (10) Ge, W. G.; Zhou, L. The Synthesis of 7-Amino-4-methylcoumarin. *Acta Medicinae Sinica.*
37
38 **1998**, *11*, 19–20. (Chinese)
39
40 (11) Atkins, R. L.; Bliss, D. E. Substituted Coumarins and Azacoumarins. Synthesis and
41
42 Fluorescent Properties. *J. Org. Chem.* **1978**, *43*, 1975–1980.
43
44 (12) Wu, Q. P.; Ma, Y. X.; Zhang, J. M.; Wei, X. H. Progress in syntheses of coumarin fluorogenic
45
46 substrates and their application in microbial detections. *Chem. Ind. Eng. Prog.* **2014**, *33*, 2444–2449.
47
48 (Chinese)
49
50 (13) Yin, C. X.; Huo, F. J.; Yang, Y. T. Reagent and method for detecting cysteine. CN Patent
51
52 103,788,076, May 14, **2014**.
53
54 (14) Huang J.; Yang, B. Method for preparing modified graphene-polymethyl methacrylate
55
56
57
58
59
60

1
2 composite film. CN Patent 105,237,930, Jun 13, **2016**.

3
4 (15) Huang, L.; Cheng, J.; Xie, K. F.; Xi, P. X. Cu(2+)-Selective Fluorescent Chemosensor Based
5 on Coumarin and Its Application in Bioimaging. *Dalton Transactions*. **2011**, *40*, 10815–10817.

6
7 (16) Tsukamoto, K.; Shinohara, Y.; Lwasaki S.; Maeda, H. A Coumarin-Based Fluorescent Probe
8 for Hg²⁺ and Ag²⁺ with an *N*-Acetylthioureido Group as A Fluorescence Switch. *Chem. Commun.*
9 **2011**, *47*, 5073–5075.

10
11 (17) Ma, Y.; Luo, W.; Quinn, P. J.; Liu, Z.; Hider, R. C. Synthesis, Physicochemical Properties, and
12 evaluation of Novel Iron Chelators with Fluorescent Sensors. *Med. Chem.* **2004**, *47*, 6349–6362.

13
14 (18) Brunet, E.; Garcia-Losada, P.; Rodriguez-Ubis, J-C.; Juanes, O. Synthesis of New
15 Fluorophores Derived from Monoazacrown Ethers and Coumarin Nucleus. *Canadian. J. Chem.*
16 **2002**, *80*, 169–174.

17
18 (19) Yesilada, E.; Taninaka, H.; Takaishi, Y.; Honda, G.; Sezik, E.; Momota, H.; et al. In Vitro
19 Inhibitory Effects of *Daphne Oleoides* Ssp. *Oleoides* on Inflammatory Cytokines and
20 Activity-Guided Isolation of Active Constituents. *Cytokine*. **2001**, *13*, 359–364.

21
22 (20) Prausnitz, J. M.; Tavares, F. W. Thermodynamics of Fluid-Phase Equilibria for Standard
23 Chemical Engineering Operations. *AIChE J.* **2004**, *50*, 739–761.

24
25 (21) Jouyban, A. Handbook of Solubility Data for Pharmaceuticals. CRC Press, BocaRaton, FL,
26 **2010**.

27
28 (22) Kumar, P.; Singh, C. A Study on Solubility Enhancement Methods for Poorly Water Soluble
29 Drugs. *Am. J. Pharmacol. Sci.* **2013**, *1*, 67–73.

30
31 (23) Jouyban, A. Review of the Cosolvency Models for Predicting Solubility of Drugs in
32 Water-Cosolvent Mixtures. *J. Pharm. Pharmaceut. Sci.* **2008**, *11*, 32–58.

33
34 (24) Chaudhary, A.; Nagaich, U.; Gulati, N.; Sharma, V. K.; Khosa, R. L. Enhancement of
35 Solubilization and Bioavailability of Poorly Soluble Drugs. *J. Adv. Pharmacy Edu. & Res.* **2012**, *2*,
36 32–67.

- 1
2 (25) Jouyban, A.; Chew, N. Y. K.; Chan, H. K.; Sabour, M.; Acree, W. E. Jr.; A Unified
3
4 Cosolvency Model for Calculating Solute Solubility in Mixed Solvents. *Chem. Pharm. Bull.* **2005**,
5
6 53, 634–637.
7
8
9 (26) Wang, H. J.; Yao, G. B.; Zhang, H. J. Measurement and Correlation of the Solubility of
10
11 Baicalin in Several Mixed Solvents. *J. Chem. Eng. Data.* **2019**, 64, 1281-1287.
12
13 (27) Baka, E.; Comer, J. E. A.; Krisztina, Takács-Novák. Study of Equilibrium Solubility
14
15 Measurement by Saturation Shake-Flask Method Using Hydrochlorothiazide as Model Compound.
16
17 *J. Pharmaceut. Biomed.* **2008**, 46, 335–341.
18
19
20 (28) Jouyban, A.; Nozohouri, S.; Martinez, F. Solubility of Celecoxib in {2-Propanol (1) + Water (2)}
21
22 Mixtures at Various Temperatures: Experimental Data and Thermodynamic Analysis. *J. Mol. Liq.*
23
24 **2018**, 254, 1–7.
25
26
27 (29) Fang, J.; Zhang, M. J.; Zhu, P. P.; Ouyang, J. B.; Gong, J. B.; Chen, W.; Xu, F. X. Solubility
28
29 and Solution Thermodynamics of Sorbic Acid in Eight Pure Organic Solvents. *J. Chem. Thermodyn.*
30
31 **2015**, 85, 202–209.
32
33
34 (30) Zhou, L. P.; Yang, L. H.; Tilton, S.; Wang, J. L. Development of A High Throughput
35
36 Equilibrium Solubility Assay Using Miniaturized Shake-Flask Method in Early Drug Discovery. *J.*
37
38 *Pharm. Sci-US.* **2007**, 96, 3052–3071.
39
40
41 (31) Jouyban, A.; Acree, W. E. Mathematical Derivation of the Jouyban-Acree Model to Represent
42
43 Solute Solubility Data in Mixed Solvents at Various Temperatures. *J. Mol. Liq.* **2018**, 256,
44
45 541–547.
46
47
48 (32) Jouyban, A.; Fakhree, M. A. A.; Acree, W. E. Comment on “Measurement and Correlation of
49
50 Solubilities of (Z)-2-(2-Aminothiazol-4-yl)-2-Methoxyiminoacetic Acid in Different Pure Solvents
51
52 and Binary Mixtures of Water + (Ethanol, Methanol, or Glycol). *J. Chem. Eng. Data.* **2012**, 57,
53
54 1344–1346.
55
56
57 (33) Apelblat, A.; Manzurola, E. Solubilities of *o*-Acetylsalicylic, 4-Aminosalicylic,
58
59
60

1
2 3,5-Dinitrosalicylic, and *p*-Toluic Acid, and Magnesium-DL-Aspartate in Water from $T = (278$ to
3
4 348) K. *J. Chem. Thermodyn.* **1999**, *31*, 85–91.

5
6 (34) Apelblat, A.; Manzurola, E. Solubilities of L-Glutamic Acid, 3-Nitrobenzoic Acid, *p*-Toluic
7
8 Acid, Calcium-L-Lactate, Calcium Gluconate, Magnesium-DL-Aspartate, and
9
10 Magnesium-L-Lactate in Water. *J. Chem. Thermodyn.* **2002**, *34*, 1127–1136.
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25
26
27
28
29
30
31
32
33
34
35
36
37
38
39
40
41
42
43
44
45
46
47
48
49
50
51
52
53
54
55
56
57
58
59
60

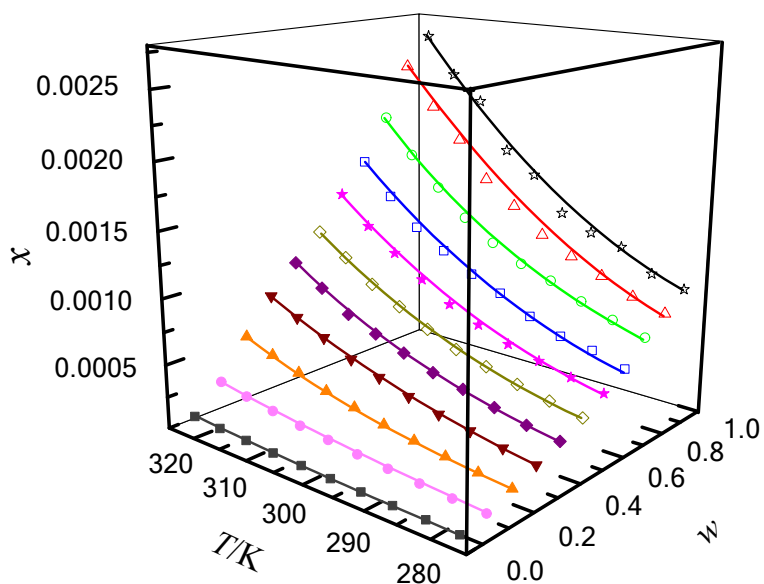


Figure 1. Equilibrium solubility (x) of 7-AMC in ethanol (w) + water ($1-w$) solutions with various mass fractions at different temperatures: w , mass fraction of ethanol; \star , $w=1$; \triangle , $w=0.9000$; \circ , $w=0.7988$; \square , $w=0.7002$; \star , $w=0.6000$; \diamond , $w=0.5012$; \blacklozenge , $w=0.4011$; \blacktriangledown , $w=0.3000$; \blacktriangle , $w=0.2010$; \bullet , $w=0.1000$; \blacksquare , $w=0$; —, calculated curves by the Jouyban–Acree model.

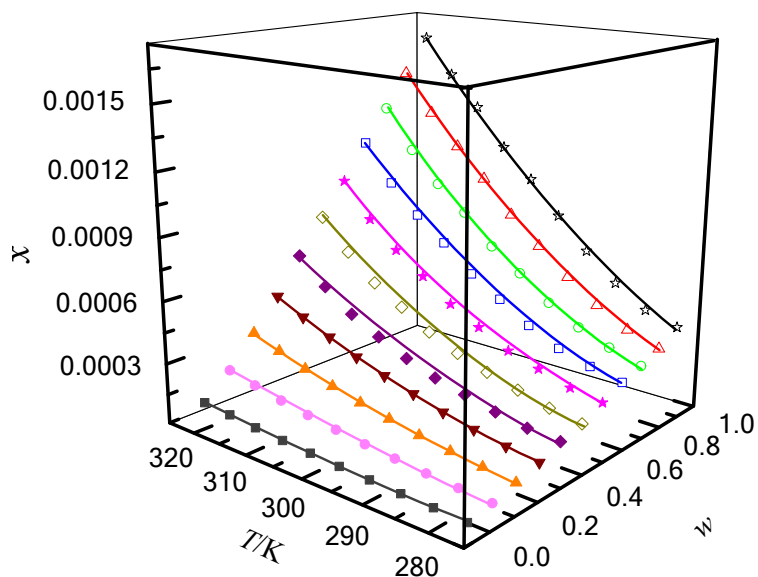


Figure 2. Equilibrium solubility (x) of 7-AMC in EG (w) + water ($1-w$) solutions with various mass fractions at different temperatures: w , mass fraction of EG; \star , $w=1$; Δ , $w=0.8979$; \circ , $w=0.8009$; \square , $w=0.7006$; \blackstar , $w=0.6001$; \diamond , $w=0.5000$; \blacklozenge , $w=0.3976$; \blacktriangledown , $w=0.3011$; \blacktriangle , $w=0.2000$; \bullet , $w=0.1003$; \blacksquare , $w=0$; —, calculated curves by the Jouyban–Acree model.

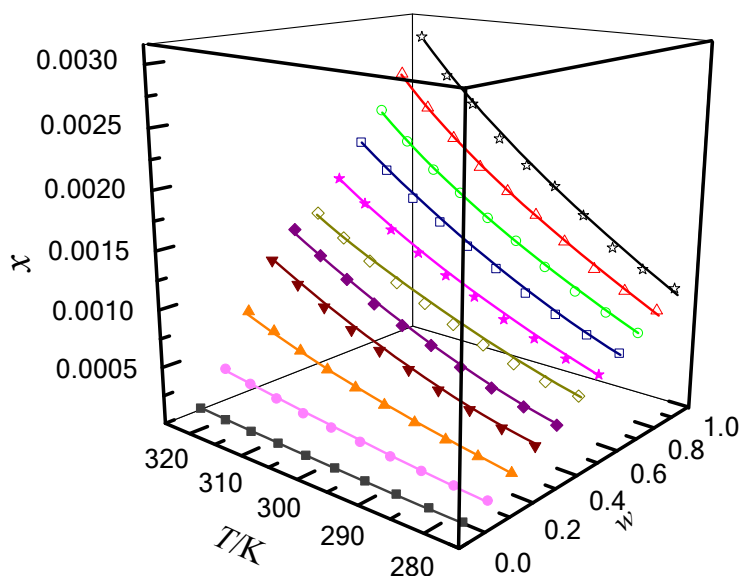


Figure 3. Equilibrium solubility (x) of 7-AMC in isopropanol (w) + water ($1-w$) solutions with various mass fractions at different temperatures: w , mass fraction of isopropanol; \star , $w=1$; \triangle , $w=0.9013$; \circ , $w=0.8006$; \square , $w=0.7020$; \star , $w=0.5986$; \diamond , $w=0.5000$; \blacklozenge , $w=0.3989$; \blacktriangledown , $w=0.3012$; \blacktriangle , $w=0.2001$; \bullet , $w=0.1000$; \blacksquare , $w=0$; —, calculated curves by the Jouyban–Acree model.

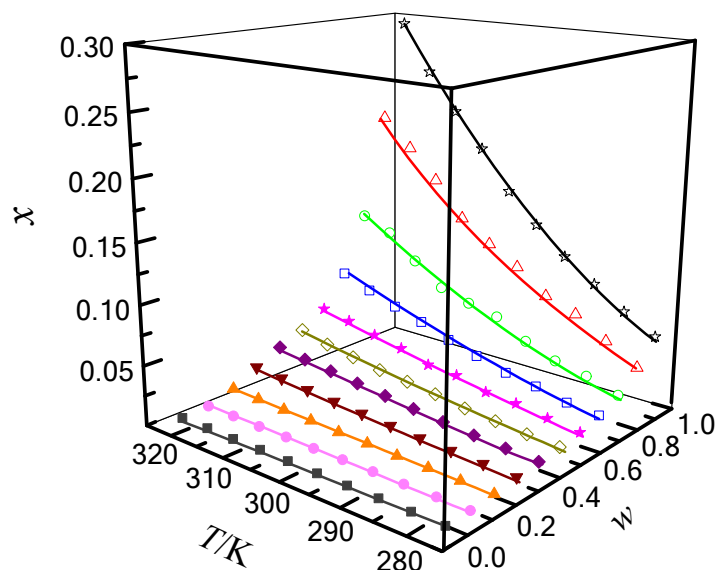


Figure 4. Equilibrium solubility (x) of 7-AMC in DMF (w) + water ($1-w$) solutions with various mass fractions at different temperatures: w , mass fraction of DMF; \star , $w=1$; \triangle , $w=0.9009$; \circ , $w=0.7998$; \square , $w=0.7001$; \blackstar , $w=0.6013$; \diamond , $w=0.5000$; \blacklozenge , $w=0.4000$; \blacktriangledown , $w=0.2990$; \blacktriangle , $w=0.2003$; \bullet , $w=0.1002$; \blacksquare , $w=0$; —, calculated curves by the Jouyban–Acree model.

Table 1

Chemicals, purity and properties of the materials employed in this work.

Chemicals	Molar mass (g·mol ⁻¹)	Source	Mass fraction purity	Purification method	Analytical method
7-Amino-4-methylcoumarin (7-AMC)	175.2	Shanghai Haohong Biomed. Tech. Co., Ltd.	0.9950	Recrystallization	HPLC ^a
Ethanol	46.07		0.9950	None	GC ^b
Isopropanol	60.06	Aladdin Industrial (Shanghai) Co., Ltd.	0.9960	None	GC
Ethylene glycol	62.07		0.9950	None	GC
<i>N,N</i> -Dimethylformamide	73.10		0.9970	None	GC
Water	18.02	Our lab	Conductivity < 2 μS·cm ⁻¹	Twice distillation	Conductivity meter

^a High-performance liquid chromatography.^b Gas chromatography.

Table 2

Equilibrium mole fraction ($x_{T,w}^e \times 10^3$) of 7-AMC ethanol (w) + water ($1-w$) at 278.15 to 323.15 K under 101.1 kPa.^a

T/K	w										
	0	0.1000	0.2010	0.3000	0.4011	0.5012	0.6000	0.7002	0.7988	0.9000	1.000
278.15	0.01074	0.04798	0.1158	0.1872	0.2618	0.3435	0.4394	0.5424	0.7059	0.8183	0.9409
283.15	0.01378	0.05934	0.1395	0.2213	0.2987	0.3907	0.4874	0.6139	0.7774	0.8898	1.006
288.15	0.01737	0.07285	0.1686	0.2651	0.3498	0.4418	0.5385	0.6548	0.8592	0.9920	1.165
293.15	0.02180	0.08831	0.1993	0.3079	0.4111	0.5031	0.5998	0.7468	0.9614	1.094	1.228
298.15	0.02755	0.1081	0.2389	0.3634	0.4638	0.5660	0.6855	0.8670	1.041	1.214	1.339
303.15	0.03409	0.1313	0.2871	0.4352	0.5440	0.6564	0.7837	0.9614	1.156	1.401	1.606
308.15	0.04184	0.1569	0.3374	0.5056	0.6281	0.7711	0.9236	1.096	1.310	1.576	1.770
313.15	0.05139	0.1895	0.4043	0.6046	0.7177	0.8914	1.080	1.237	1.513	1.861	2.138
318.15	0.06274	0.2254	0.4726	0.6985	0.8663	1.050	1.250	1.442	1.738	2.096	2.330
323.15	0.07569	0.2663	0.5511	0.8086	1.013	1.207	1.464	1.683	2.010	2.398	2.624

^a Standard uncertainties u are $u(T) = 0.02$ K, $u(p) = 0.12$ KPa; Relative standard uncertainty u_r is $u_r(x) = 0.025$, $u_r(w) = 0.0002$. w represents the mass fraction of ethanol in solvent mixtures of ethanol + water.

Table 3

Equilibrium mole fraction ($x_{T,w}^e \times 10^3$) of 7-AMC in cosolvency EG (w) + water ($1-w$) at 278.15 to 323.15 K under 101.1 kPa.^a

T/K	w											
	0	0.1003	0.2000	0.3011	0.3976	0.5000	0.6001	0.7006	0.8009	0.8979	1.000	
278.15	0.01074	0.03088	0.06002	0.09146	0.1314	0.1577	0.2042	0.2501	0.2830	0.3224	0.3836	
283.15	0.01378	0.03862	0.07370	0.1107	0.1420	0.1814	0.2269	0.2820	0.3280	0.3739	0.4320	
288.15	0.01737	0.04799	0.09087	0.1360	0.1683	0.2208	0.2729	0.3280	0.3871	0.4593	0.5310	
293.15	0.02180	0.05951	0.1120	0.1675	0.2011	0.2602	0.3189	0.4002	0.4725	0.5645	0.6627	
298.15	0.02755	0.07415	0.1385	0.2062	0.2365	0.3088	0.3937	0.4927	0.5847	0.6898	0.8124	
303.15	0.03409	0.09048	0.1677	0.2486	0.2865	0.3719	0.4700	0.5842	0.6893	0.8207	0.9739	
308.15	0.04184	0.1092	0.2000	0.2943	0.3517	0.4568	0.5736	0.7085	0.8333	0.9778	1.117	
313.15	0.05139	0.1320	0.2396	0.3504	0.4245	0.5427	0.6736	0.8207	0.9520	1.123	1.303	
318.15	0.06274	0.1582	0.2834	0.4103	0.5271	0.6650	0.8010	0.9591	1.104	1.275	1.454	
323.15	0.07569	0.1877	0.3324	0.4774	0.6489	0.8131	0.9713	1.141	1.299	1.463	1.632	

^a Standard uncertainties u are $u(T) = 0.02$ K, $u(p) = 0.12$ KPa; Relative standard uncertainty u_r is $u_r(x) = 0.025$, $u_r(w) = 0.0002$. w represents the mass fraction of EG in solvent mixtures of EG + water.

Table 4

Equilibrium mole fraction ($x_{T,w}^e \times 10^3$) of 7-AMC in cosolvency isopropanol (w) + water ($1-w$) at 278.15 to 323.15 K under 101.1 kPa.^a

T/K	w										
	0	0.1000	0.2001	0.3012	0.3989	0.5000	0.5986	0.7020	0.8006	0.9013	1.000
278.15	0.01074	0.06436	0.1743	0.2880	0.3626	0.5082	0.5976	0.6953	0.7901	0.9088	1.033
283.15	0.01378	0.07945	0.2099	0.3413	0.4250	0.5447	0.6551	0.7774	0.8960	1.015	1.139
288.15	0.01737	0.09672	0.2502	0.4015	0.4960	0.6159	0.7500	0.8841	1.015	1.145	1.273
293.15	0.02180	0.1181	0.3012	0.4806	0.5927	0.6989	0.8449	1.003	1.169	1.335	1.515
298.15	0.02755	0.1447	0.3622	0.5716	0.7005	0.8038	0.9754	1.155	1.345	1.523	1.732
303.15	0.03409	0.1731	0.4241	0.6600	0.8011	0.9197	1.099	1.296	1.497	1.687	1.878
308.15	0.04184	0.2062	0.4960	0.7636	0.9207	1.038	1.242	1.462	1.675	1.865	2.083
313.15	0.05139	0.2465	0.5841	0.8917	1.071	1.169	1.396	1.628	1.841	2.090	2.371
318.15	0.06274	0.2923	0.6802	1.027	1.224	1.322	1.581	1.838	2.063	2.336	2.605
323.15	0.07569	0.3441	0.7895	1.183	1.405	1.495	1.763	2.054	2.315	2.623	2.941

^a Standard uncertainties u are $u(T) = 0.02$ K, $u(p) = 0.12$ KPa; Relative standard uncertainty u_r is $u_r(x) = 0.025$, $u_r(w) = 0.0002$. w represents the mass fraction of isopropanol in solvent mixtures of isopropanol + water.

Table 5

Equilibrium mole fraction ($x_{T,w}^e \times 10^3$) of 7-AMC in cosolvency DMF (w) + water ($1-w$) at 278.15 to 323.15 K under 101.1 kPa.^a

T/K	w											
	0	0.1002	0.2003	0.2990	0.4000	0.5000	0.6013	0.7001	0.7998	0.9009	1.000	
278.15	0.01074	0.3175	2.037	4.974	6.924	8.764	11.00	15.89	24.08	39.06	57.91	
283.15	0.01378	0.3886	2.444	5.950	8.081	10.11	14.02	18.25	32.45	54.24	72.53	
288.15	0.01737	0.4686	2.893	7.030	9.949	12.27	17.99	23.94	37.70	70.69	90.22	
293.15	0.02180	0.5616	3.395	8.208	12.03	14.42	19.39	27.97	47.48	79.84	108.2	
298.15	0.02755	0.6789	4.022	9.679	14.48	18.37	25.95	35.07	61.99	99.33	131.1	
303.15	0.03409	0.8048	4.677	11.21	17.22	21.01	27.32	42.05	67.59	114.0	156.0	
308.15	0.04184	0.9502	5.434	13.00	20.11	23.39	34.43	50.96	75.16	131.9	189.2	
313.15	0.05139	1.119	6.267	14.89	22.87	27.13	39.25	57.94	93.57	161.3	218.7	
318.15	0.06274	1.310	7.194	16.98	25.59	31.38	44.96	66.48	113.7	185.8	251.0	
323.15	0.07569	1.522	8.212	19.30	29.06	37.33	49.46	76.13	124.1	209.8	291.6	

^a Standard uncertainties u are $u(T) = 0.02$ K, $u(p) = 0.12$ KPa; Relative standard uncertainty u_r is $u_r(x) = 0.025$, $u_r(w) = 0.0002$. w represents the mass fraction of DMF in solvent mixtures of DMF + water.

Table 6

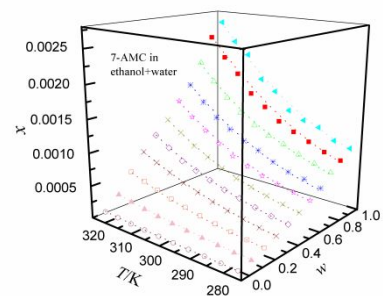
The parameter values obtained from the selected thermodynamic cosolvency models in this study.

	Jouyban–Acree model		Van't Hoff–Jouyban–Acree model		Modified Apelblat–Jouyban–Acree model	
	parameter	value	parameter	value	parameter	value
<i>Ethanol + water</i>	J_0	1294.57	A_1	0.984160	A_1	-195.519
	J_1	-1341.30	B_1	-2242.76	B_1	6641.33
	J_2	1244.77	A_2	2.62011	C_1	29.2547
			B_2	-3912.88	A_2	-3.20599
			J_0	1298.78	B_2	-3647.17
			J_1	-1335.20	C_2	0.86608
			J_2	1255.30	J_0	1294.61
					J_1	-1341.66
					J_2	1244.87
	$RAD \cdot 10^2$	2.35		3.47		2.54
$RMSD \cdot 10^4$	0.31		0.43		0.31	
<i>EG + water</i>	J_0	956.810	A_1	2.53788	A_1	241.113
	J_1	-851.900	B_1	-2884.98	B_1	-13712.9
	J_2	714.860	A_2	2.62011	C_1	-35.4948
			B_2	-3912.88	A_2	-3.20599
			J_0	950.320	B_2	-3647.17
			J_1	-865.250	C_2	0.866080
			J_2	698.860	J_0	958.350

					J_1	-849.510	
					J_2	718.690	
	$RAD \cdot 10^2$	2.52		3.00		3.13	
	$RMSD \cdot 10^4$	0.21		0.22		0.22	
		J_0	1608.67	A_1	0.721420	A_1	-19.2288
		J_1	-1771.77	B_1	-2119.61	B_1	-1218.33
		J_2	1524.80	A_2	2.62011	C_1	2.97051
				B_2	-3912.88	A_2	-3.20599
	<i>Isopropanol + water</i>			J_0	1609.29	B_2	-3647.17
				J_1	-1772.22	C_2	0.86608
				J_2	1526.34	J_0	1608.61
						J_1	-1772.29
						J_2	1524.65
	$RAD \cdot 10^2$	3.25		3.40		3.36	
	$RMSD \cdot 10^4$	0.52		0.52		0.52	
		J_0	2682.10	A_1	8.47189	A_1	120.857
		J_1	-3753.53	B_1	-3132.86	B_1	-8238.54
		J_2	3299.87	A_2	2.62011	C_1	-16.7178
				B_2	-3912.88	A_2	-3.20599
	<i>DMF + water</i>			J_0	2678.39	B_2	-3647.17
				J_1	-3761.85	C_2	0.866080
				J_2	3290.65	J_0	2682.70
						J_1	-3752.86
						J_2	3301.35

1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25
26
27
28
29
30
31
32
33
34
35
36
37
38
39
40
41
42
43
44
45
46

<i>RAD</i> · 10 ²	1.88	2.44	1.97
<i>RMSD</i> · 10 ⁴	15.20	17.89	14.50



For Table of Contents Only