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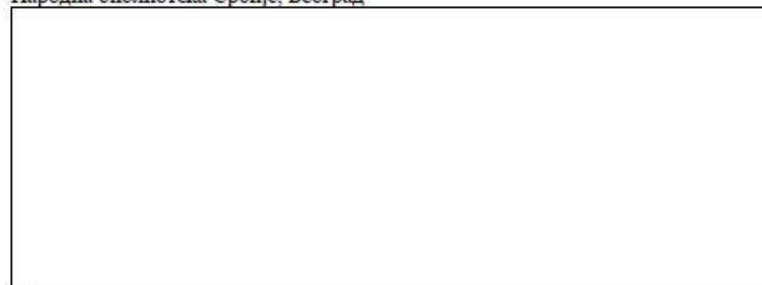
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## Synthesis of new praseodymium doped phosphate tungsten bronze

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For the preparation of praseodymium doped phosphate tungsten bronze (Pr-PWB), as a starting material is used 12-tungstophosphoric heteropoly acid  $H_3PW_{12}O_{40} \times 29H_2O$  (PWA) [1]. PWA was first converted into  $H_3PW_{12}O_{40} \times 6H_2O$  (6-PWA) by heating it to 80 °C in a kiln. The aqueous  $PrCl_3 \times H_2O$  solution was prepared by dissolving 0.7102 g of  $PrCl_3 \times H_2O$  in distilled water. This solution is then mixed with aqueous solution of 6-PWA, slightly heated in order to start the crystallization process and left overnight to finish the crystallization. The produced greenish crystals of praseodymium doped phosphate tungsten bronze are created by heating the obtained salt  $PrPW_{12}O_{40} \times nH_2O$  in a furnace from room temperature to 600 °C. The conditions for thermal phase transformation of praseodymium salt of 12-tungstophosphoric heteropoly acid to produce new praseodymium phosphate tungsten bronze, have been investigated in the current work. The new material (Pr-PWB), synthesized from Keggin's anion structure as a precursor, is successfully formed. The potential practical application of Pr-PWB is in its installation in batteries and fuel cells, as a catalyst, and due to its specific green color it could also be used as a pigment.

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