

Abstract:

This study analyses the qualities and the synthesis of nanocomposite material (montmorillonite -a kind of clay - / monovalent cations (Rb^+ , Cs^+ , K^+ , Na^+ , Li^+)/ TPGDA) by using X-ray scattering techniques (DRX). The objective is to determine the variation in the interlayer distance d_{001} of montmorillonite. We used the Infrared spectroscopy (IR) to determine a molecular structure of the material being studied.

This study has been carried out into two phases:

Phase I: We analyzed a sample of a montmorillonite material with each cation by DRX. This allowed us to recognize the interval between the interlayer distance d_{001} . We observed an increase $d_{001} = 11$ from that of pure montmorillonite. We also noticed a difference of d_{001} in cations.

Phase II: We studied the synthesis and the qualities of nanocomposite material by DRX. This showed an increase of d_{001} (~ 16). This has been a proof that TPGDA is embedded in the clay layers. The spectroscopic treatment of the nanocomposite showed new bands. The appearance of these bands is a proof of the presence of TPGDA in the nanocomposite.