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Frontiers and progress in cation-uptake and exchange chemistry of polyoxometalate-based compounds

Cation-uptake and exchange in polyoxometalates (POMs) and POM-based compounds are categorized and reviewed in three groups: POMs as inorganic crown ethers and cryptands, POM-based ionic solids as cation-exchangers, and reduction-induced cation-uptake in POM-based ionic solids, which is based on a feature of POMs that they are redox-active and multi-electron transfer occurs reversibly in multiple-steps. This method can be utilized to synthesize mixed-valence metal clusters in metal ion-exchanged POM-based ionic solids.



