



PEPISCO entry v1.0

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This manual is meant to make spectral contributions easy to the Photoelectron Photoion Spectral Compendium hosted at <https://pepisco.psi.ch>. The helper program PEPISCO entry creates .json files with species and spectral information, which are meant to be e-mailed to pepisco@psi.ch to be included in the compendium. The file, saved by clicking on Species/Save (1), contains the species information together with all the spectra associated with the species. Thank you for your contribution!

Note that DOIs are automatically converted to links in the database, and you can use subscripts (Ctrl + B) and superscripts (Ctrl + P), also (3), in numerous input fields.

PEPISCO Entry Edit - 85_nitrogen_dichloride.json

(1) Species (2) Spectrum

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Species profile (a)

Name: Nitrogen dichloride

Aliases: Nitrogen dichloride radical, Dichloronitrogen, Dichloroamidogen

Mass / amu: 84.91

Sum formula: NCl₂

InChI: InChI=1S/Cl2N/c1-3-2/q+1

CAS number: 25938-83-4 (b) Struct

PubChem CID:

eV Comment / DOI

AIE: 9.94 10.1002/cphc.202100537

VIE:

(7)

Ground state ms-TPES to 10.7 eV X+ 1A1 Convolution X+ 1A1 Sticks

Title: Ground state ms-TPES to 10.7 eV

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Created: 2020-12-12

Spect. DOI: 10.1002/cphc.202100537

Type: ms-TPES

Further citations (experiment, source, light source etc.): 10.1063/1.4984304 10.1016/j.nima.2009.08.069

Source: Photolysis 213 nm

Source T / K: 298

Resolution / meV: 5

Flux normalization: No

Date & facility: 2020 SLS VUV

Comments: mass resolution, extraction field, details of spectral treatment, sample / isomeric purity etc.

Sample (NCl₃ in CH₂Cl₂, 20 wt%) flow: 14 sccm Air flow to dilute sample: 20 sccm Fuel flow: 20 sccm Argon flow: 20 sccm Side sampled photolysis reactor. Further details available in 10.1002/cphc.202100537 213 V/cm field.

Spectrum, I(hv / eV) (161 lines)

Line spectrum (9) (10) Normalize Sparse (8) , --

9.9; 0.034
9.905; 0.038
9.91; 0.167
9.915; 0.07
9.92; 0.074
9.925; 0.083
9.93; 0.12
9.935; 0.051
9.94; 0.121
9.945; 0.121
9.95; 0.151
9.955; 0.085
9.96; 0.093
9.965; 0.055
9.97; 0.096
9.975; 0.083
9.98; 0.07
9.985; 0.053
9.99; 0.111
9.995; 0.036
10; 0.119
10.005; 0.131
10.01; 0.272
10.015; 0.347
10.02; 0.414
10.025; 0.53
10.03; 0.476
10.035; 0.594
10.04; 0.639
10.045; 0.51

Intensity / a.u.

1.00
0.75
0.50
0.25
0.01

9.90 10.10 10.30 10.50 10.70

hv / eV

1. Creating new species, adding and removing spectra, moving spectra between species

1.1 Species menu (1), stepping through files (4)

You can Open/Save/Save as species files, Clean the data in the program or Exit it. The .json file created here contains all the species information as well as the spectra. Alternatively, you can select a folder and/or use the previous/next file buttons (4) to walk through all species files in a given folder.



1.2 Spectrum menu (2)

Here, you can add a **New spectrum** to the species being edited or delete the currently active one. It is also possible to **Open/Save** as spectra to .json files, or **Copy/Paste** them to/from the clipboard.

In the current example, we can see three spectra belonging to NCl_2 on the right-hand side of the window (3).

2. Adding species details, spectral metadata and data

2.1 Species panel (a)

These data are used to search for the species in the database, based on the given name(s), formula, species identifiers and ionization energies. The more data given here, the easier it will be for the species to be found.

Species	Unique, most common name of a compound/molecule, e.g., Nitrogen dichloride
Aliases	Other, commonly used English species names in physical chemistry context. Consult PubChem if needed
Mass	Molar mass without units, preferably to two significant figures. (84.91 for NCl_2)
Sum formula	$\text{C}_z\text{H}_y\text{O}_x\text{N}_v$ – Use the subscript button (3) or Ctrl + B to format the entry
InChI	IUPAC International Chemical Identifier, consult PubChem or generate using ChemDraw . <i>Example:</i> InChI=1S/C2H6O/c1-2-3/h3H, 2H2, 1H3 for ethanol
CAS number	CAS Registry Number, consult PubChem . <i>Example:</i> 64-17-5 for ethanol
PubChem CID	PubChem Compound ID, consult PubChem . <i>Example:</i> 702 for ethanol
Ionization energies / eV	Adiabatic (AIE) and/or vertical (VIE) ionization energies, preferably based on assigned experimental spectra, given in eV without unit. Please give DOI if literature reference is available, otherwise details to help put the values into context.
Struct button (6)	Attempts to download a molecular structure to display in the field (7). If a structure is unavailable, please delete the image by right clicking in (7). A custom image (preferred resolution 150×150 or slightly larger) can also be pasted into the field.

2.2 Spectral information (b)

Title	Give a title to the spectrum in the database. Do not give the name of the species but focus on how to describe the spectrum best, possibly specifying the ion states involved, as in the image above. You can use buttons (3) for sub- and superscripts or Ctrl + B or P . It is best practice to specify the type of the spectrum (TPES, PIS, or ms-TPES) and give the energy range.
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Uploader	This is going to be your signature below the spectrum in the database. Initials are preferred, i.e., US for Urs Schweizer
Spect. DOI	DOI (without DOI or http link), where the spectrum was published. Leave empty if unpublished. Example: 10.1021/jp501117n
Type	Select the type of spectrum/simulation etc. from the dropdown menu
Further citations	Add DOIs of the beamline, instrument, experiment etc. Examples: 10.1063/1.3082016, 10.1016/j.nima.2009.08.069
Source	Briefly describe the source of the sample, especially important for reactive species, such as radicals. Examples: effusive inlet, supersonic molecular beam, pyrolysis reactor, photolysis reactor 213 nm, McKenna burner, jet stirred reactor, liquid vaporization, catalytic reactor, or fluorine discharge
T / K	Source temperature in kelvin, without unit
Resolution / meV	Combined photon energy and electron kinetic energy resolution, giving the effective energy resolution of the spectrum in meV without unit
Flux normalization	Was the spectrum normalized to the photon flux? Add yes/no or more details and/or DOI. Examples: flux from AXUV photodiode, PMT, details about response functions, or literature flux from 10.1016/j.nima.2009.08.069
Comments	Describe at bit more in detail how the reactive intermediate (e.g., radical) or stable species was measured. Example: 3-methyl benzyl bromide heated to 50 °C diluted at 70 mbar in argon (20 sccm), expansion through a 150 um pinhole and subsequent pyrolysis. Mass resolution 100, extraction field 120 V/cm
Date & Facility	Describe when and where the spectrum was obtained. Example: 2020/05 SLS/VUV
Spectrum	Insert the spectrum given in two columns with photon energies in the first and intensities in the second column. The program uses decimal points and semicolons to separate the two columns, but recognizes other separators (e.g., a space suffices), as well. Copy from Excel or Origin and paste the data in this field. If your locale uses decimal commas, you can use button (8) to change them all to dots in one go.
Line spectrum (9)	The (x,y) values given in the spectrum will not be connected, but lines will be plotted for the transitions. Useful for Franck–Condon simulations (see below).
Normalize and Sparse (10)	Normalization sets the maximum intensity to 1000 and includes two decimal digits for intensities, allowing for a 10 ⁵ dynamic range. More is rarely needed. Sparse will carry out a linear interpolation with a 1 meV step size and resample the spectrum.

2.3 Including Franck–Condon simulations

When adding an FC simulation (select FC simulation in **Type** after adding a new spectrum), the meaning of certain fields change correspondingly. A few notes regarding FC simulations follow.



Title	Describe the simulation briefly, using the states, transitions and symmetries simulated. It is encouraged to save the simulation of each state separately. Example: $X^+ \ ^2A_2 \leftarrow X \ ^1A_1$
Further citations	Describe the tools used to obtain the simulation. Give DOI if available or name/version of the program. Examples: Gaussian 16, Revision C.01, Q-Chem 4.3, FCFit, PESCAL, eZspectrum, ezFCF...
Level(s) of theory	Describe the methods/functional(s) and basis set(s) used in the <i>ab initio</i> geometry optimization and frequency calculations. Example: (EOM-IP-)CCSD/cc-pVTZ or B3LYP/6-311G(d,p)
Vib. T / K	Vibrational temperature of the simulation in K, without unit
Conv. FWHM / meV	Full width half maximum of the Gaussian function used to convolute the line spectrum in meV without unit. Note that Gaussian16 required half width half maximum (HWHM) in cm^{-1} . Please convert to FWHM in meV [FWHM / meV = $2 \times \text{HWHM} / (\text{cm}^{-1}) / 8065 \times 1000$]. Leave empty in case of a line spectrum.
0–0 transition / eV	Specify where the 0–0 transition is located in the simulated spectrum in eV without units. This could be a calculated ionization energy or the measured one if the simulation is shifted to fit the experiment; without this value, the simulation is difficult to interpret.
Comments	More details, <i>e.g.</i> , Duschinsky or parallel approximation, convergence issues, large-amplitude vibrations or internal rotations, relevant calculation parameters etc. Example: including the Duschinsky rotation in the double harmonic approximation
Data & Facility	When and where was the simulation carried out? Example: 2021/05 PSI, merlin6 cluster