

ZEKE-PFI SPECTRA OF AlNH₃ AND AlNH₂(CH₃)

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The aluminum complexes were prepared in a metal cluster source and identified with a time-of-flight mass spectrometer. The electronic spectra of the complexes were measured with single-photon ZEKE-PFI (zero electron energy pulsed field ionization) technique. The ZEKE spectrum of AlNH₃ shows vibronic transitions from two spin-orbit levels of the neutral ground electronic state, which allows the measurements of the following spectroscopic constants: ionization potential (39746 cm⁻¹), spin-orbit splitting (58 cm⁻¹), Al-NH₃ symmetric stretching frequencies ($\omega_3^+ = 339$ cm⁻¹, $\omega_3^+ x_3^+ = 3.1$ cm⁻¹, and $\nu_3 = 227$ cm⁻¹), and Al-N symmetric bending frequency ($\nu_6^+ = 557$ cm⁻¹). The ZEKE spectrum of AlNH₂(CH₃) displays at least four progressions, from which two vibrational modes (365 and 160 cm⁻¹) may be identified.