

Quantum-mechanical research of electroreduction of bismuth(III) complexes from aqueous solutions, containing thiocyanate-ions

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Abstract

On the basis of quantum-chemical calculations with functional density method and quantum-mechanical theory of charge transport in polar media there have been carried out the model estimations of the activation energy of the elementary act of the first stage of electroreduction of aquacomplex $[\text{Bi}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$, monothiocyanate complex $[\text{Bi}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4\text{NCS}]^{2+}$, as well as hexathiocyanate complex $[\text{Bi}(\text{NCS})_6]^{3-}$. The conclusion was made about the accelerating effect of thiocyanate-ion on electroreduction owing to its complexing with the ion of Bi(III), which allowed to explain the observed regularities.