

Equilibrium constants for hydrolysis and associated equilibria in critical compilations

Thorium

Equilibrium reactions	lgK at infinite dilution and T = 298 K			
	Baes and Mesmer, 1976	Rand et al., 2008	Thoenen et al., 2014	Brown and Ekberg, 2016
$\text{Th}^{4+} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{ThOH}^{3+} + \text{H}^+$	-3.20	-2.5 ± 0.5	-2.5 ± 0.5	-2.5 ± 0.5
$\text{Th}^{4+} + 2 \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Th}(\text{OH})_2^{2+} + 2 \text{H}^+$	-6.93	-6.2 ± 0.5	-6.2 ± 0.5	-6.2 ± 0.5
$\text{Th}^{4+} + 3 \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Th}(\text{OH})_3^+ + 3 \text{H}^+$	< -11.7			
$\text{Th}^{4+} + 4 \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Th}(\text{OH})_4 + 4 \text{H}^+$	-15.9	-17.4 ± 0.7	-17.4 ± 0.7	-17.4 ± 0.7
$2 \text{Th}^{4+} + 2 \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Th}_2(\text{OH})_2^{6+} + 2 \text{H}^+$	-6.14	-5.9 ± 0.5	-5.9 ± 0.5	-5.9 ± 0.5
$2 \text{Th}^{4+} + 3 \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Th}_2(\text{OH})_3^{5+} + 3 \text{H}^+$		-6.8 ± 0.2	-6.8 ± 0.2	-6.8 ± 0.2
$4 \text{Th}^{4+} + 8 \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Th}_4(\text{OH})_8^{8+} + 8 \text{H}^+$	-21.1	-20.4 ± 0.4	-20.4 ± 0.4	-20.4 ± 0.4
$4 \text{Th}^{4+} + 12 \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Th}_4(\text{OH})_{12}^{4+} + 12 \text{H}^+$		-26.6 ± 0.2	-26.6 ± 0.2	-26.6 ± 0.2
$6 \text{Th}^{4+} + 15 \text{H}_2\text{O(l)} \rightleftharpoons \text{Th}_6(\text{OH})_{15}^{9+} + 15 \text{H}^+$	-36.76	-36.8 ± 1.5	-36.8 ± 1.5	-36.8 ± 1.5
$6 \text{Th}^{4+} + 14 \text{H}_2\text{O(l)} \rightleftharpoons \text{Th}_6(\text{OH})_{14}^{10+} + 14 \text{H}^+$		-36.8 ± 1.2	-36.8 ± 1.2	-36.8 ± 1.2
$\text{ThO}_2(\text{c}) + 4 \text{H}^+ \rightleftharpoons \text{Th}^{4+} + 2 \text{H}_2\text{O}$	6.3			
$\text{ThO}_2(\text{am}) + 4 \text{H}^+ \rightleftharpoons \text{Th}^{4+} + 2 \text{H}_2\text{O}$				8.8 ± 1.0
$\text{ThO}_2(\text{am,hyd,fresh}) + 4 \text{H}^+ \rightleftharpoons \text{Th}^{4+} + 2 \text{H}_2\text{O}$			9.3 ± 0.9	

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$\text{ThO}_2(\text{am,hyd,aged}) + 4\text{H}^+ \rightleftharpoons \text{Th}^{4+} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$			8.5 ± 0.9	
$\text{Th}^{4+} + 4\text{OH}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{ThO}_2(\text{am,hyd,fresh}) + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$		46.7 ± 0.9		
$\text{Th}^{4+} + 4\text{OH}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{ThO}_2(\text{am,hyd,aged}) + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$		47.5 ± 0.9		

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Distribution diagrams

These diagrams have been computed at two Th(IV) concentrations ($1 \text{ mM} = 1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol L}^{-1}$ and $1 \mu\text{M} = 1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ mol L}^{-1}$) with the ‘best’ equilibrium constants above (in green). Calculations assume $T = 298 \text{ K}$ for the limiting case of zero ionic strength (*i.e.*, even neglecting plotted ions).

