



Equilibrium constants for hydrolysis and associated equilibria in critical compilations

Cerium(III)

Equilibrium reactions	$\lg K$ at infinite dilution and $T = 298 \text{ K}$		
	Baes and Mesmer, 1976	NIST46	Brown and Ekberg, 2016
$Ce^{3+} + H_2O \rightleftharpoons Ce(OH)^{2+} + H^+$	-8.3	-8.3	-8.31 ± 0.03
$2 \text{ Ce}^{3+} + 2 \text{ H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Ce}_2(\text{OH})_2^{4+} + 2 \text{ H}^+$	<-15.5		-16.0 ± 0.2
$3 \text{ Ce}^{3+} + 5 \text{ H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Ce}_3(\text{OH})_5^{4+} + 5 \text{ H}^+$	-33.5		-34.6 ± 0.3
$Ce(OH)_3(s) + 3 H^+ \rightleftharpoons Ce^{3+} + 3 H_2O$	19.9		18.5 ± 0.5
$Ce(OH)_3(s) \rightleftharpoons Ce^{3+} + 3 OH^-$		-22.1 ± 0.9	

C.F. Baes and R.E. Mesmer, The Hydrolysis of Cations. Wiley, New York, 1976, p. 137.

P.L. Brown and C. Ekberg, Hydrolysis of Metal Ions. Wiley, 2016, pp. 135–145.

NIST46, NIST Critically Selected Stability Constants of Metal Complexes: Version 8.0. Available at: www.nist.gov/srd/nist46

Distribution diagrams

These diagrams have been computed at two Ce(III) concentrations (1 mM = 1×10^{-3} mol L⁻¹ and 1 μ M = 1×10^{-6} mol L⁻¹) with the 'best' equilibrium constants above (in green). Calculations assume T = 298 K for the limiting case of zero ionic strength (*i.e.*, even neglecting plotted ions).



