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**Synthesis and Characterization of Mixed Valence Uranium Orthophosphate:  $\text{U}(\text{UO}_2)(\text{PO}_4)_2$ .**

— Reinvestigation of the system  $\text{UO}_2\text{-P}_2\text{O}_5$  leads to preparation of the novel mixed valent title compound by both dry and wet chemical methods. Under the experimental conditions used, the previously mentioned compounds  $\text{U}_3(\text{PO}_4)_4$  and  $\text{U}_2\text{O}_3\text{P}_2\text{O}_7$  do not exist as shown by XRD, UV-VIS, IR, Raman, and XPS spectroscopies. The title compound crystallizes with triclinic symmetry with four formula units in the unit cell ( $Z = 4$ ). — (DACHEUX, N.; BRANDEL, V.; GENET, M.; New J. Chem. 19 (1995) 1, 15-25; GroupeRadiochim., Inst. Phys. Nucl., Univ. Paris Sud, F-91406 Orsay, Fr.; FR)