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Infrared Spectroscopy of Germanium-Carbon Clusters: $\nu_4(\sigma_u)$ mode of GeC₅Ge¹ ERIC GONZALEZ, C.M.L. RITTBY, W.R.M. GRAHAM, TCU — Recent results will be presented from FTIR (Fourier transform infrared) and DFT (density functional theory) studies of the vibrational fundamentals and structures of germanium-carbon clusters trapped in solid Ar. The linear germaniumcarbon cluster GeC₅Ge has been detected using FTIR spectra generated when products from the dual laser evaporation of Ge and C rods are trapped in solid Ar matrices at ~10 K. Comparison of frequencies and ¹³C isotopic shift measurements with the predictions of DFT calculations at the B3LYP/cc-pVDZ level confirms the identification of the $\nu_4(\sigma_u)$ mode of GeC₅Ge at 2158.0 cm⁻¹.

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