

Supporting Information

Lead(II) Complex Formation with *L*-Cysteine in Aqueous Solution

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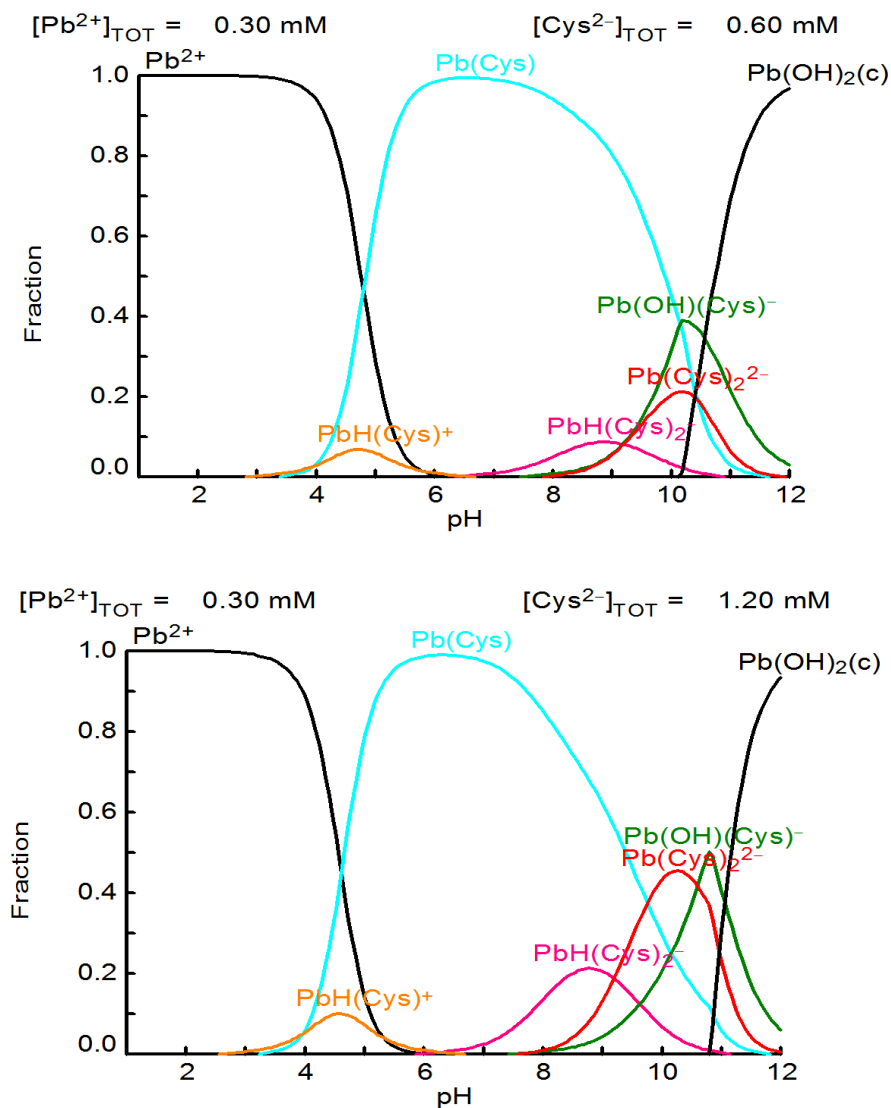
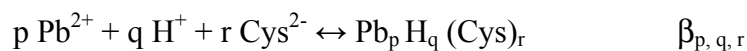


Figure S-1a. Distribution diagrams for lead(II) cysteine complexes as a function of pH in solutions containing $C_{\text{Pb(II)}} = 0.3 \text{ mM}$ and $\text{H}_2\text{Cys} / \text{Pb(II)}$ mole ratios 2.0 and 4.0, based on the reported formation constants by Bizri et al., calculated at 25 °C in the ionic medium 1.0 M NaClO_4 [16] for the following aqueous Pb(II)-cysteine complexes:



$\text{Pb}(\text{Cys})$ ($\log \beta_{1, 0, 1} = 12.2$), $\text{Pb}(\text{Cys})(\text{OH})^-$ ($\log \beta_{1, -1, 1} = 2.04$), $\text{Pb}(\text{Cys})_2^{2-}$ ($\log \beta_{1, 0, 2} = 15.9$), $\text{Pb}(\text{HCys})(\text{Cys})^-$ ($\log \beta_{1, 1, 2} = 25.10$) and $\text{Pb}(\text{HCys})^+$ ($\log \beta_{1, 1, 1} = 16.16$).

The solid compound $\text{PbCys}(\text{c})$ is soluble at such low concentration; however, no solubility product (or formation constant) has been reported.

The distribution diagrams in Figures S-1a were calculated with computer program MEDUSA (<http://www.kemi.kth.se/medusa/>). The full input file to MEDUSA is:

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H+
Cys 2-
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H2(Cys)      , 18.44  0 2 1
H3(Cys)+     , 20.53  0 3 1
OH-          , -14.0   0 -1 0
PbH(Cys)+    , 16.16  1 1 1
PbH(Cys)2 -  , 25.1   1 1 2
Pb(Cys)      , 12.2   1 0 1
Pb(Cys)2 2-  , 15.9   1 0 2
Pb(OH)(Cys)- , 2.04   1 -1 1
Pb(OH)2      , -17.12 1 -2 0
Pb(OH)3 -    , -28.06 1 -3 0
Pb(OH)4 2-   , -39.7  1 -4 0
Pb2(OH)3+    , -6.36  2 -1 0
Pb3(OH)4 2+  , -23.88 3 -4 0
Pb4(OH)4 4+  , -20.88 4 -4 0
Pb6(OH)8 4+  , -43.61 6 -8 0
PbOH +       , -7.71  1 -1 0
PbCys(c)     , 15.2   1 0 1
Pb(OH)2(c)   , -8.15  1 -2 0
PbO(cr)      , -12.91 1 -2 0
PbO:Pb(OH)2(c), -26.2  2 -4 0
Pb 2+, H+,
T, 0.01
LAV, -1.0 -13.0
T, 0.02

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Note: The formation constant $\log \beta$ for solid PbCys(c) is an estimated value for this ionic strength ($I = 1.0$ M). The stability constants for Pb(II) hydroxo complexes (including Pb(OH)_4^{2-}) have been introduced from the database HYDRA in MEDUSA program.

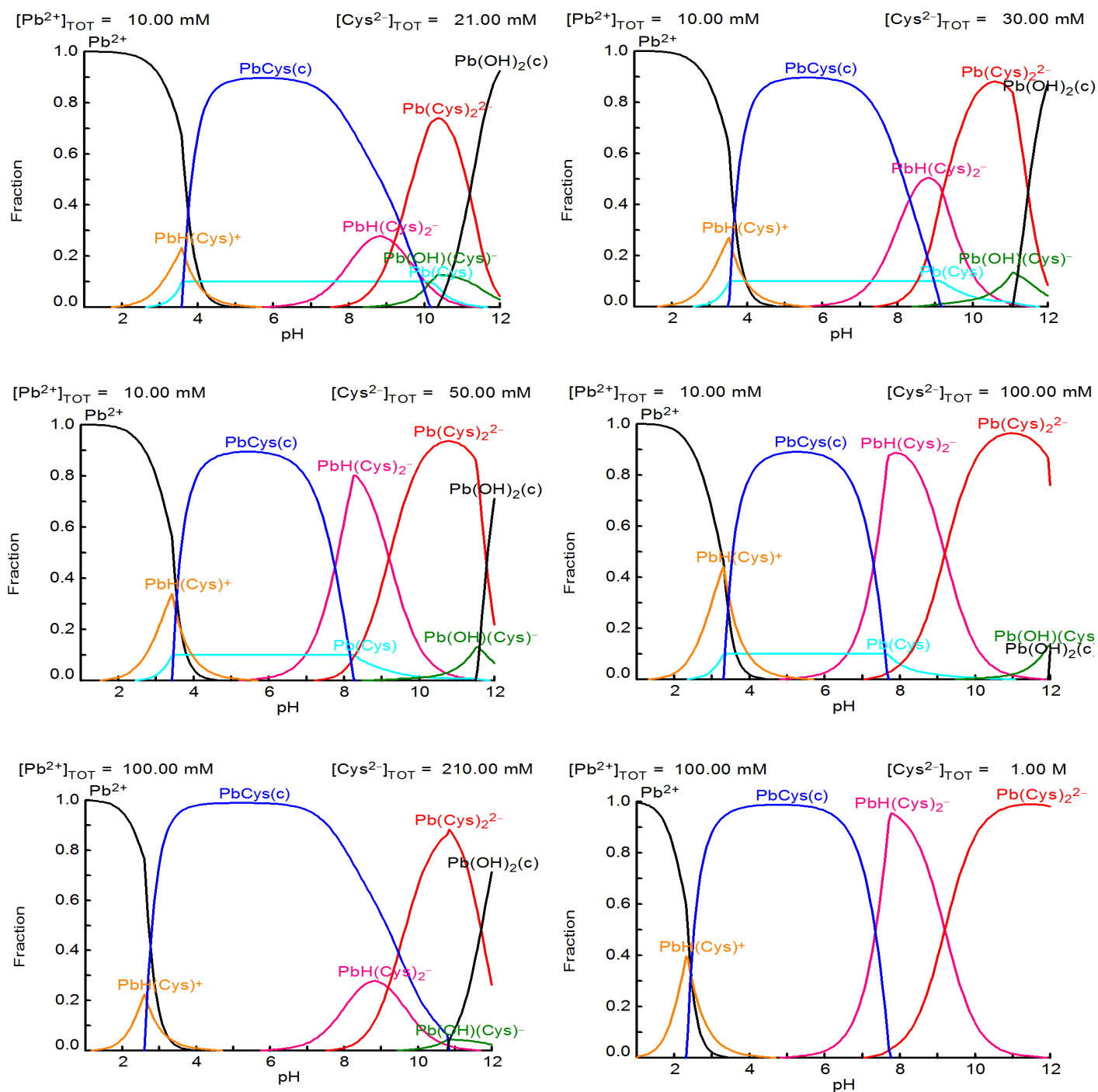


Figure S-1b. Distribution diagrams for lead(II) cysteine complexes as a function of pH in solutions containing $C_{\text{Pb(II)}} \sim 10$ mM or 100 mM, and $\text{H}_2\text{Cys} / \text{Pb(II)}$ mole ratios 2.1, 3.0, 5.0 or 10.0, based on the reported formation constants for $I = 1.00$ M by Bizri et al. (used in Figure S-1a) [16]. A tentative solubility product of $\log K_{\text{sp}} = -15.2$ was estimated for PbCys(c) , with formation constant of $\log \beta = 15.2$, to represent our experimental observations in the current study, i.e. dissolution of the PbCys(c) precipitate at $\text{pH} = 10.4$ in solutions with $\text{H}_2\text{Cys}/\text{Pb(II)}$ mole ratio 2.1 (A and A*), and at $\text{pH} \leq 9.1$ for those with higher $\text{H}_2\text{Cys}/\text{Pb(II)}$ mole ratios.

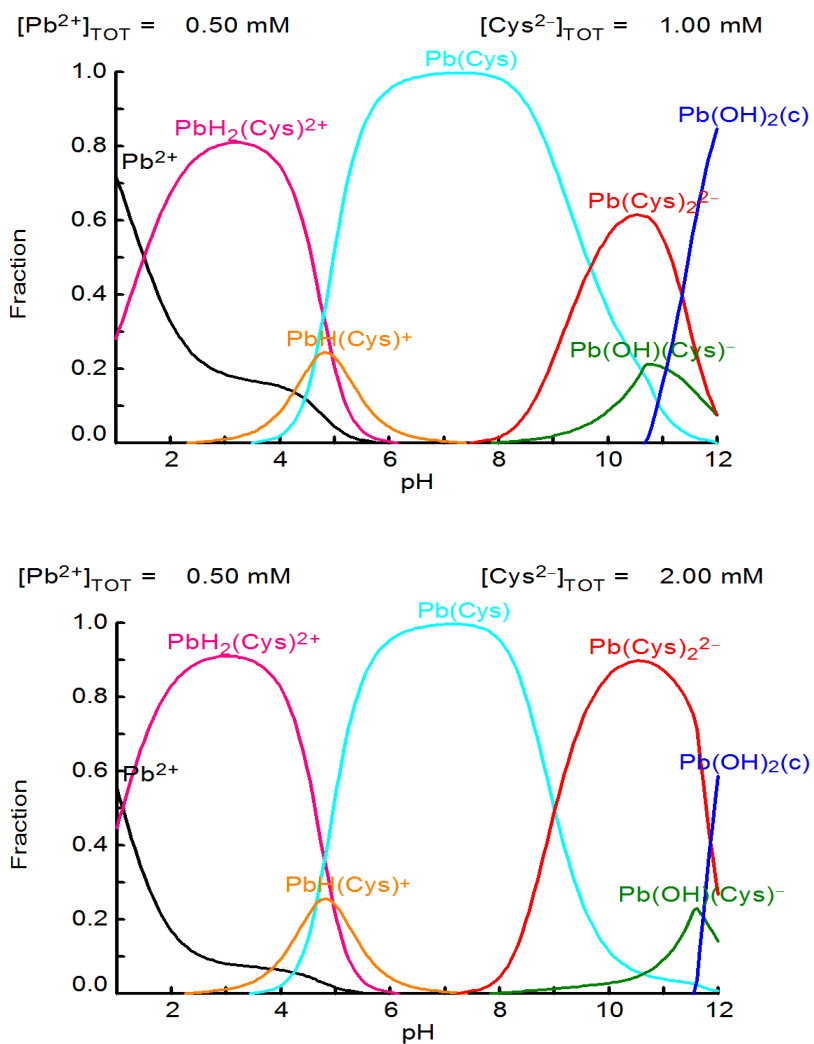
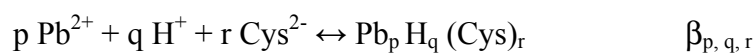


Figure S-2a. Distribution diagrams for lead(II) cysteine complexes as a function of pH in solutions containing $C_{Pb(II)} = 0.5 \text{ mM}$ and $H_2Cys / Pb(II)$ mole ratios 2.0 and 4.0, based on the reported formation constants by Crea et al., calculated at 25 °C in the ionic medium 0.1 M $NaNO_3$ [20] for the following aqueous Pb(II)-cysteine complexes:



$Pb(Cys)$ ($\log \beta_{1, 0, 1} = 13.12$), $Pb(Cys)(OH)^-$ ($\log \beta_{1, -1, 1} = 2.49$), $Pb(Cys)_2^{2-}$ ($\log \beta_{1, 0, 2} = 17.56$), $Pb(H_2Cys)^{2+}$ ($\log \beta_{1, 2, 1} = 22.72$) and $Pb(HCys)^+$ ($\log \beta_{1, 1, 1} = 17.77$).

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H+
Cys 2-
H(Cys)-      , 10.46  0 1 1
H2(Cys)      , 18.78  0 2 1
H3(Cys)+     , 21.04  0 3 1
OH-          , -14.0   0 -1 0
Pb(Cys)      , 13.12  1 0 1
PbH(Cys)+    , 17.77  1 1 1
PbH2(Cys) 2+ , 22.72  1 2 1
Pb(Cys)2 2-  , 17.56  1 0 2
Pb(OH)(Cys)- , 2.49   1 -1 1
Pb(OH)2      , -17.14 1 -2 0
Pb(OH)3 -    , -28.06 1 -3 0
Pb2(OH) 3+   , -7.08  2 -1 0
Pb3(OH)4 2+  , -23.41 3 -4 0
Pb4(OH)4 4+  , -20.13 4 -4 0
Pb6(OH)8 4+  , -42.86 6 -8 0
PbOH+        , -7.67  1 -1 0
Pb(Cys)(c)   , 16.2   1 0 1
Pb(OH)2(c)   , -8.15  1 -2 0
PbO(cr)      , -12.91 1 -2 0
PbO:Pb(OH)2(c) , -26.2  2 -4 0
Pb 2+, H+,
T, 0.1
LAV, -1.0 -13.0
T, 1.0

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Note: The formation constant $\log \beta$ for solid PbCys(c) is an estimated value for this ionic strength ($I = 0.1$ M). The stability constants for Pb(II) hydroxo complexes have been adopted from Table 2 of Crea et al. [20], referring to *Pure Appl. Chem.*, **2009**, *81*, 2425–2476, and do not include the Pb(OH)_4^{2-} complex.

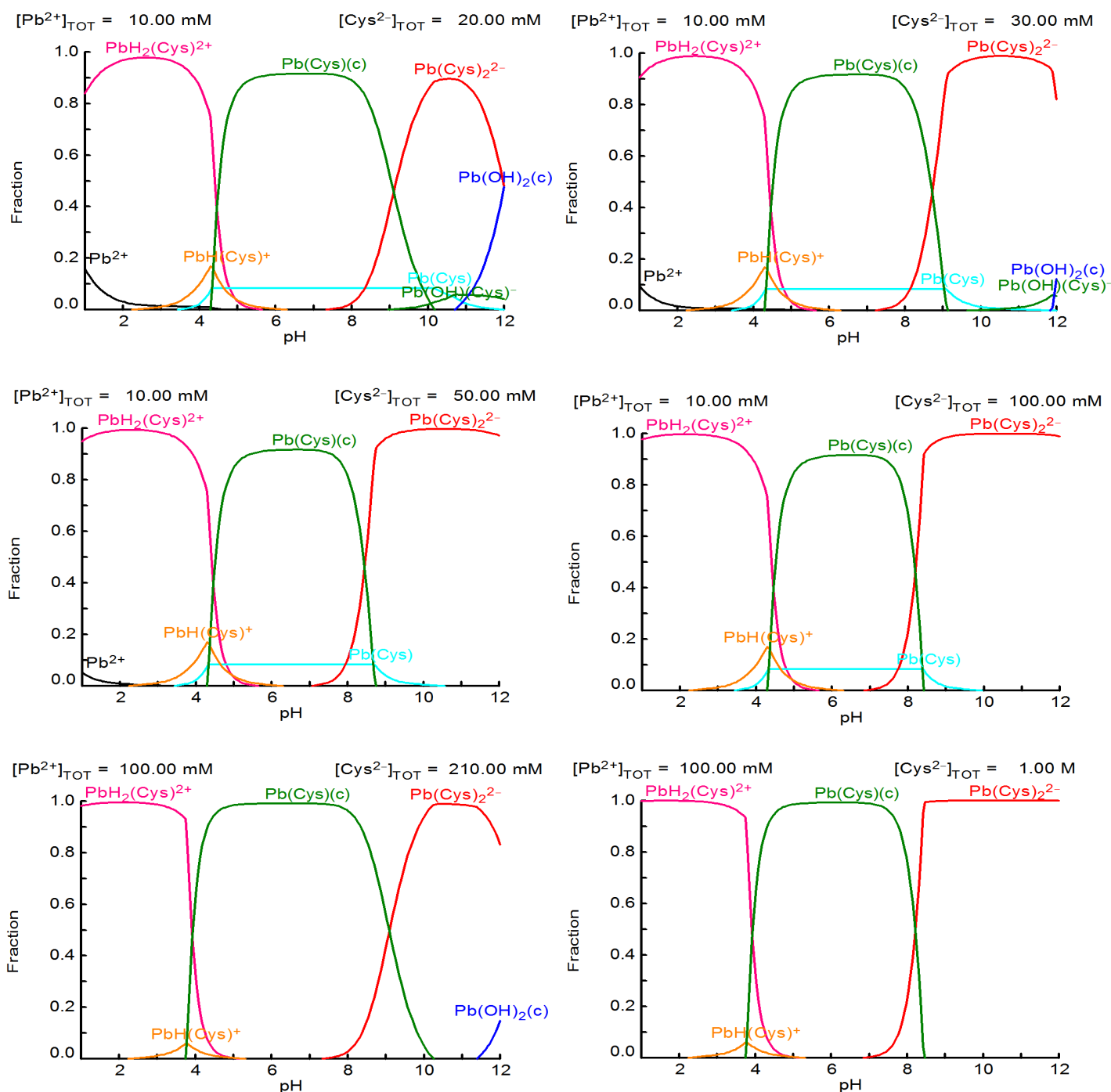


Figure S-2b. Distribution diagrams for lead(II) cysteine complexes as a function of pH in solutions containing $C_{Pb(II)} \sim 10$ mM or 100 mM, and $H_2Cys / Pb(II)$ mole ratios 2.1, 3.0, 5.0 or 10.0, based on the reported formation constants for $I = 0.1$ M by Crea et al. (used in Figure S-2a) [20]. A tentative solubility product of $\log K_{sp} = -16.2$ was estimated for $PbCys(c)$, with the formation constant $\log \beta = 16.2$, to represent our experimental observations in the current study, i.e. dissolution of $PbCys(c)$ precipitate at $pH = 10.4$ in solutions with $H_2Cys/Pb(II)$ mole ratio 2.1 (A and A*), and at $pH \leq 9.1$ for those with higher $H_2Cys/Pb(II)$ mole ratios.

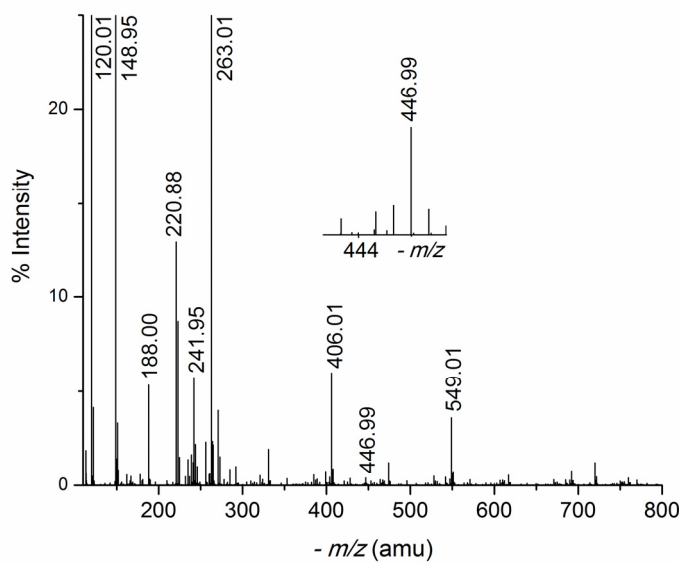


Figure S-3. ESI-MS spectrum in negative ion modes for the alkaline Pb(II)-cysteine aqueous solution F, containing $C_{\text{Pb(II)}} = 10$ mM and $C_{\text{H}_2\text{Cys}} = 100$ mM, pH = 9.1. The peaks with 100% relative intensity is at $m/z = 120.01$, assigned to $[\text{H}_2\text{Cys} - \text{H}^+]^-$ mass ions (see Table S-1 for peak assignment).

Table S-1. Assignment of mass ions observed in ESI-MS spectra (- mode) for Pb(II)-cysteine solutions A, B and F ($C_{\text{Pb(II)}} = 10$ mM). ^a

| m/z (amu) | assignment |
|-------------|--|
| 120.01 | $[\text{H}_2\text{Cys} - \text{H}^+]^-$ |
| 220.88 | $[\text{Na}^+ + 2\text{ClO}_4]^-$ |
| 241.95 | $[\text{H}_2\text{Cys} - \text{H}^+ + \text{NaClO}_4]^-$ |
| 263.01 | $[\text{Na}^+ + 2\text{H}_2\text{Cys} - 2\text{H}^+]^-$ |
| 406.01 | $[2\text{Na}^+ + 3\text{H}_2\text{Cys} - 3\text{H}^+]^-$ |
| 446.99 | $[\text{Pb}(\text{H}_2\text{Cys})_2 - 3\text{H}^+]^-$ |
| 549.01 | $[3\text{Na}^+ + 4(\text{H}_2\text{Cys}) - 4\text{H}^+]^-$ |

^a H_2Cys ($\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{NO}_2\text{S}$); $m = 121.02$

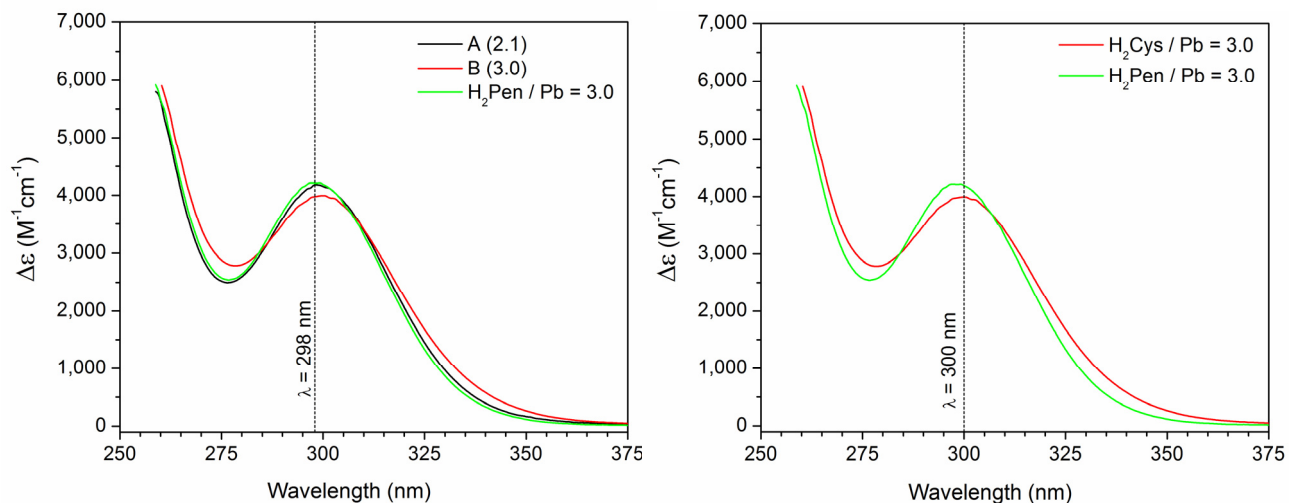


Figure S-4a. UV-vis. spectra of the alkaline aqueous Pb(II) cysteine solutions A (pH = 10.4) and B (pH = 9.1) with $C_{Pb(II)} = 10$ mM and $H_2Cys / Pb(II)$ mole ratios 2.1 and 3.0, respectively, compared with that of a Pb(II) penicillamine solution with $C_{Pb(II)} = 10$ mM and $C_{H_2Pen} = 30$ mM (pH = 9.6) [26]. The shift in λ_{max} is indicated by the vertical lines.

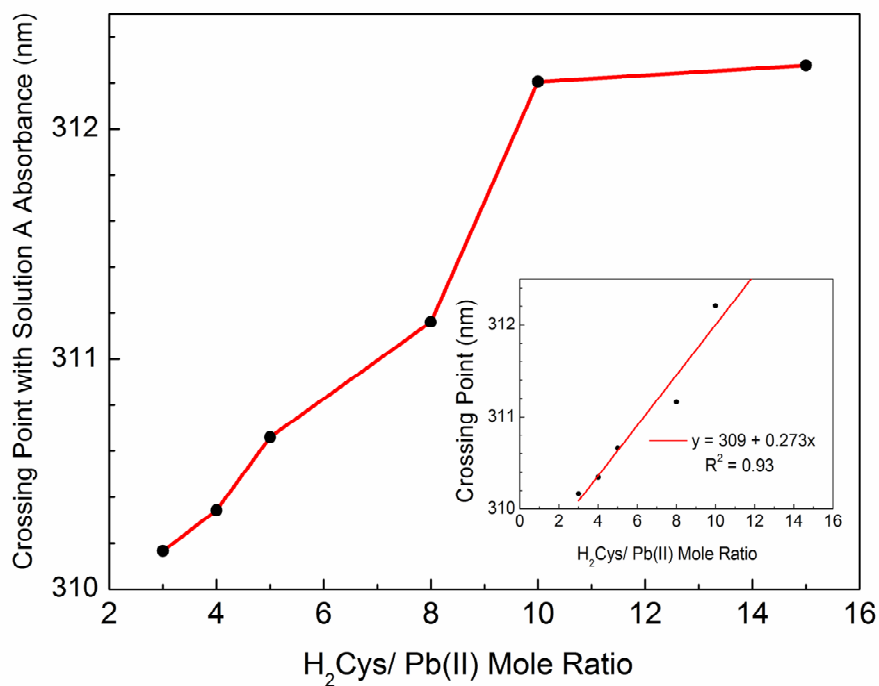
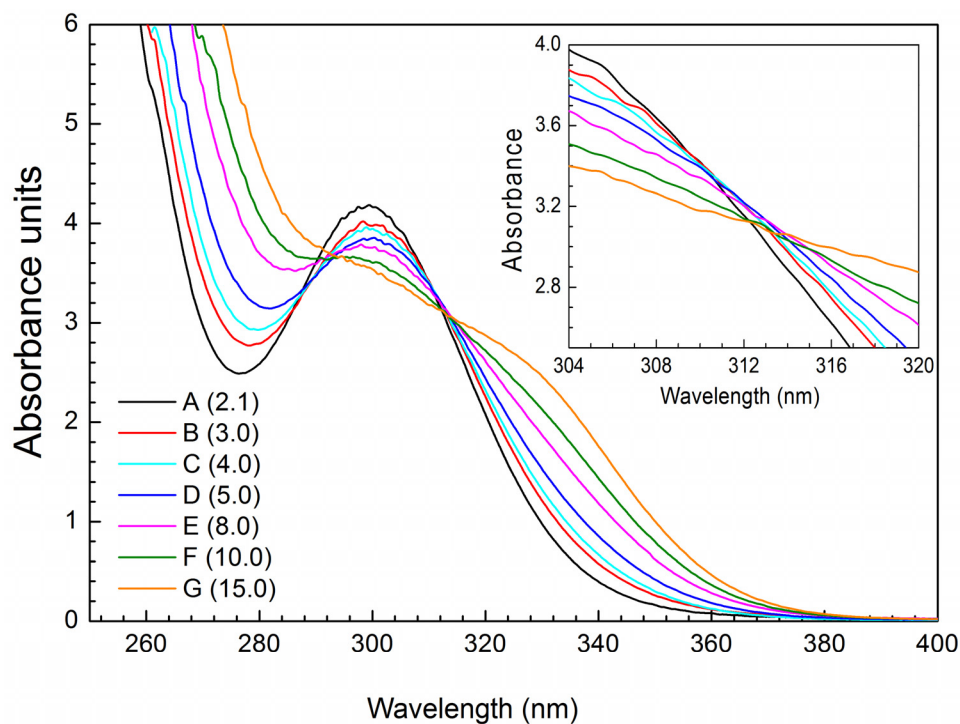


Figure S-4b. (Top) UV-vis. spectra of the Pb(II) cysteine solutions A – G (data interval = 0.5 nm), with a close up around 312 nm in inset, showing a systematic movement of the crossing points, spectrum by spectrum. (Below) Wavelengths at which the UV-vis. spectra of solutions B – G cross the absorption spectrum of solution A (inset: linear fit to the points corresponding to H₂Cys/Pb(II) mole ratios 3 – 10).

Table S-2. (Left) Comparing the difference in ^{13}C NMR chemical shifts ($\Delta\delta$) for Pb(II)-cysteine solutions A – F ($C_{\text{Pb(II)}} = 10 \text{ mM}$) and free cysteine (pH = 9.1); (right) ^1H NMR chemical shifts (δ_{H}) for these solutions (see Figure 3)

| Solution | $\Delta\delta$ (^{13}C , ppm) | | | δ (^1H , ppm) | | |
|----------|---|--------------|--------------|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | C_1 | C_2 | C_3 | H_c | H_a | H_b |
| A | 5.0 | 4.1 | 4.4 | 4.10 | 3.66 | 3.50 |
| B | 1.4 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 4.07 | 3.53 | 3.45 |
| C | 1.4 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 3.94 | 3.42 | 3.31 |
| D | 1.0 | 1.3 | 1.5 | 3.87 | 3.34 | 3.23 |
| E | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 3.80 | 3.25 | 3.12 |
| F | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 3.76 | 3.14 | 3.07 |

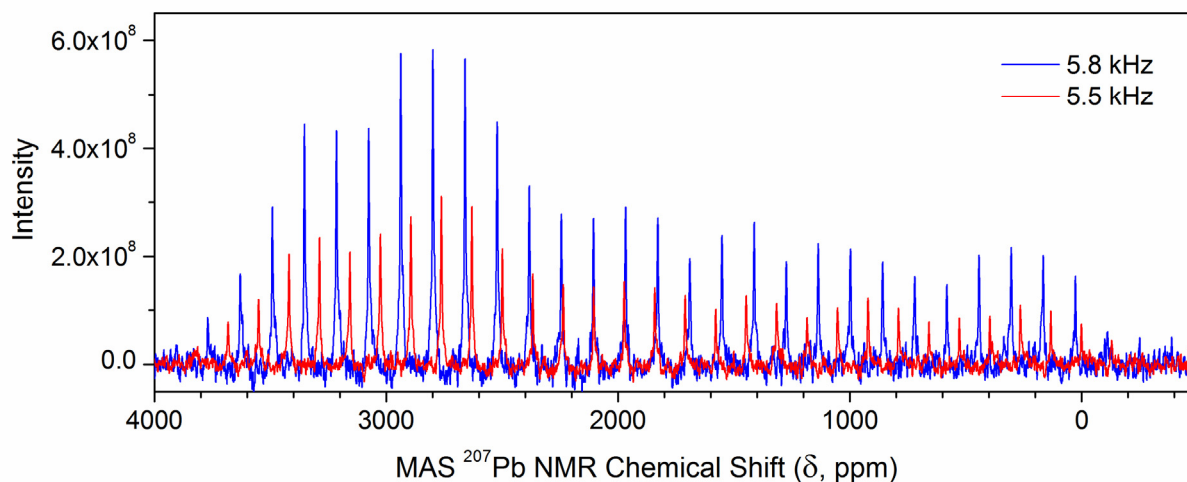
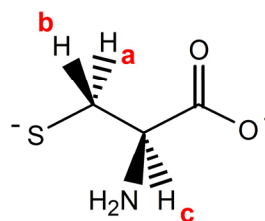
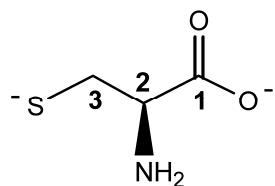


Figure S-5a. Overlapping MAS ^{207}Pb NMR spectra of crystalline $\text{Pb}(\text{S},\text{N}\text{-aet})_2$ measured at MAS rates 5.5 and 5.8 kHz. The isotropic chemical shift is $\delta_{\text{iso}} = 2105 \text{ ppm}$.

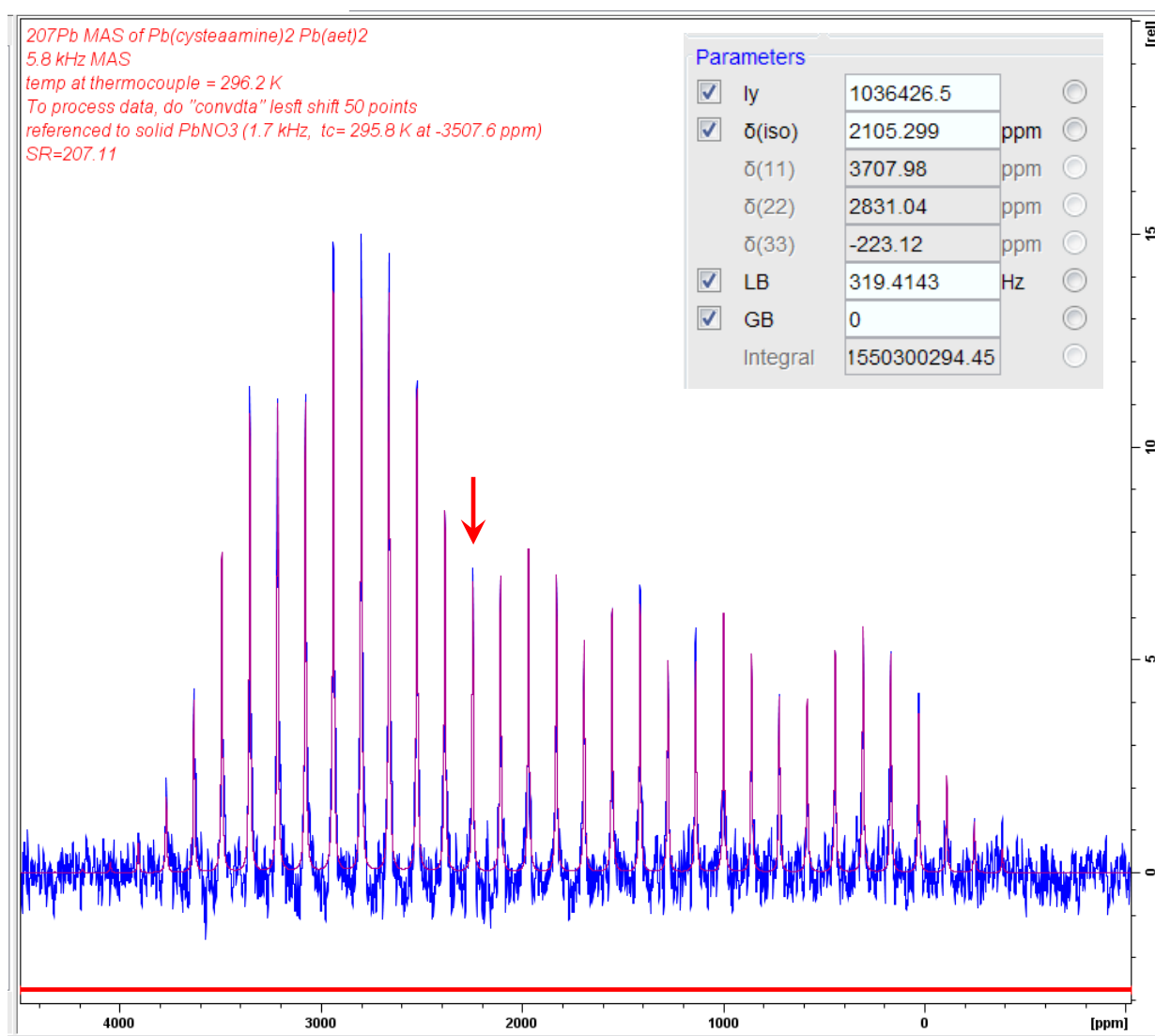


Figure S-5b. One-pulse solid state MAS ²⁰⁷Pb NMR spectrum of crystalline Pb(aet)₂ (spinning at 5.8 kHz; blue), and the reconstructed static ²⁰⁷Pb NMR powder pattern (pink). The isotropic chemical shift ($\delta_{\text{iso}} = 2105$ ppm) is shown by an arrow.

$$\delta_{11} = 3707.98 \text{ ppm}; \delta_{22} = 2831.04 \text{ ppm}; \delta_{33} = -223.12 \text{ ppm};$$

$$\delta_{\text{iso}} = 1/3 (\delta_{11} + \delta_{22} + \delta_{33}) = 2105.3 \text{ ppm}$$

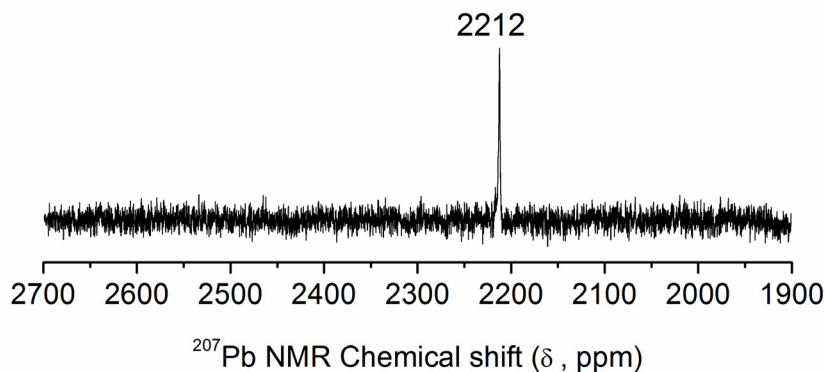


Figure S-6. ^{207}Pb NMR spectrum of an aqueous solution with a Pb(II):cysteamine mole ratio 1:3 (10% D_2O , pH = 10.1, $C_{\text{Pb(II)}} = 76$ mM) prepared by dissolving $\text{Pb}(S,N\text{-aet})_2$ in a solution containing the same number of Haet moles.

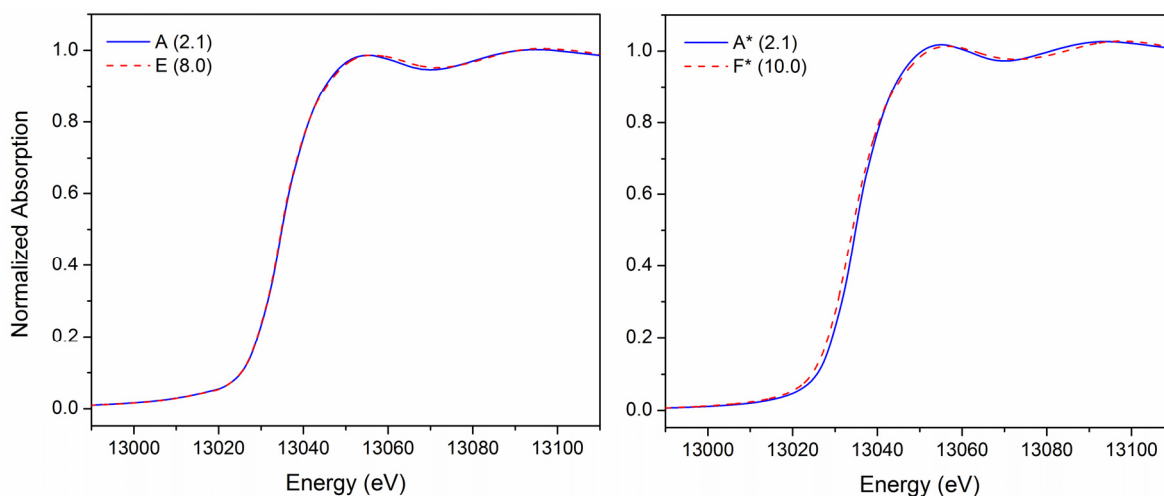


Figure S-7. Pb L_{III} -edge XANES spectra compared for Pb(II)-cysteine alkaline solutions A and E ($C_{\text{Pb(II)}} = 10$ mM), and for solutions A* and F* ($C_{\text{Pb(II)}} = 100$ mM). The $\text{H}_2\text{Cys}/\text{Pb(II)}$ mole ratios are shown in brackets.

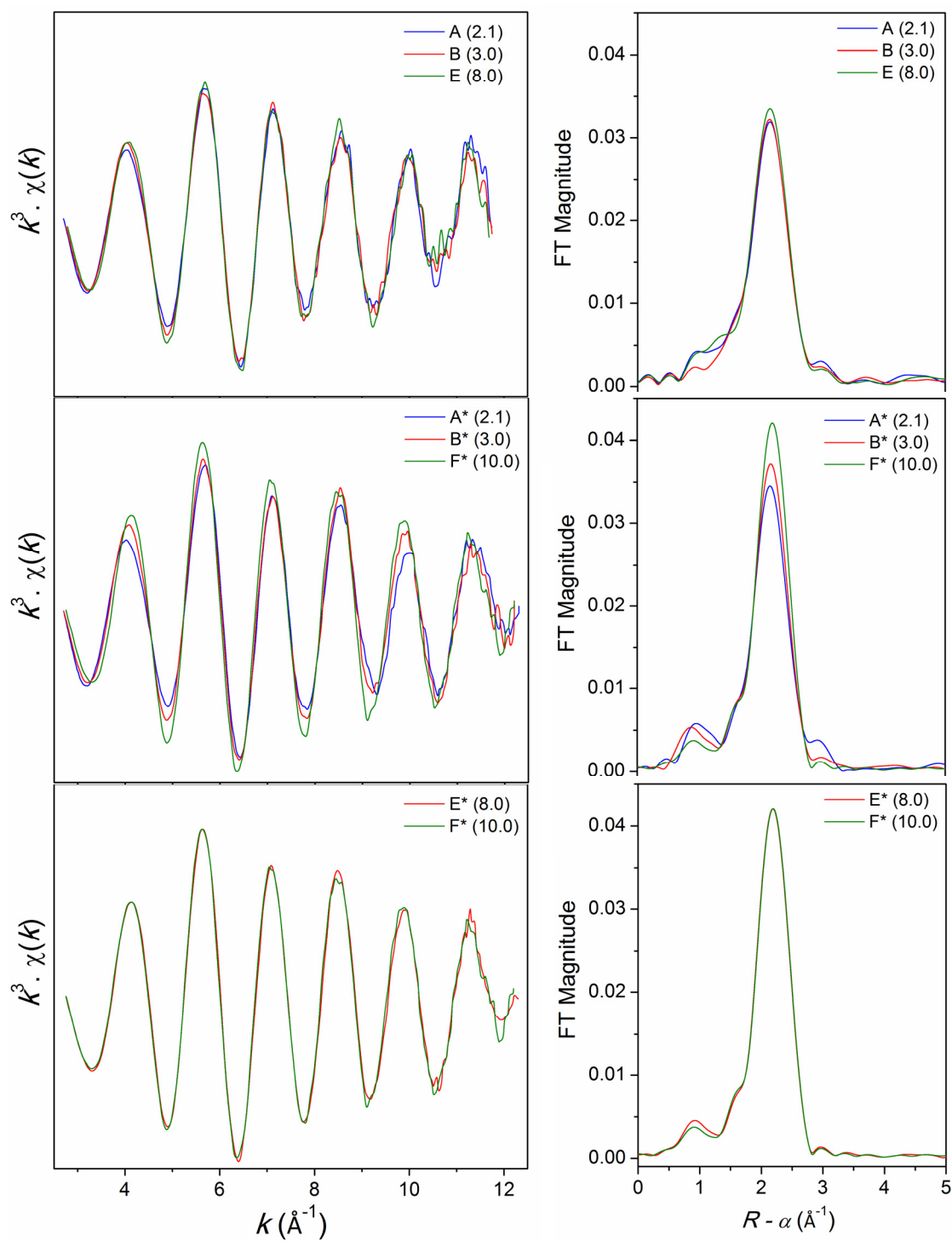


Figure S-8. Pb L_{III}-edge k^3 -weighted EXFAS oscillations, and the corresponding Fourier-transforms, compared for Pb(II)-cysteine alkaline solutions A – E ($C_{\text{Pb(II)}} = 10$ mM), and A* – F* ($C_{\text{Pb(II)}} = 100$ mM). The H₂Cys/Pb(II) mole ratios are shown in brackets.

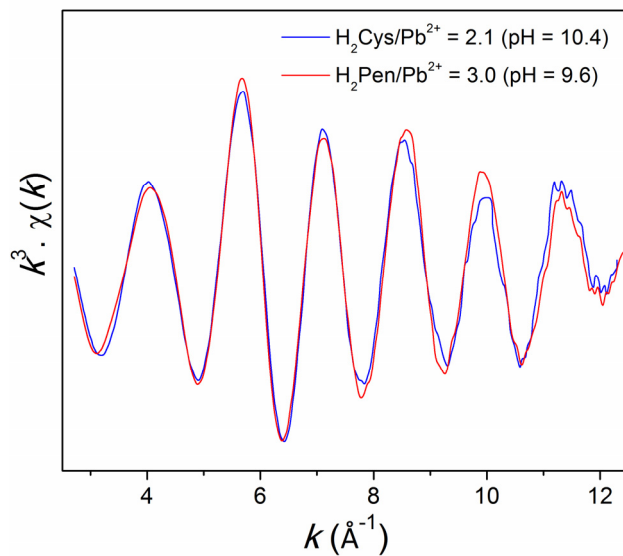


Figure S-9. Comparison between k^3 -weighted Pb L_{III}-edge EXAFS spectra of the lead(II) cysteine aqueous solution A* ($C_{\text{Pb(II)}} = 100$ mM, $C_{\text{H}_2\text{Cys}} = 210$ mM, pH = 10.4), and that of a Pb(II) penicillamine solution ($C_{\text{Pb(II)}} = 100$ mM, $C_{\text{H}_2\text{Pen}} = 300$ mM, pH = 9.6) with $[\text{Pb}(\text{S},\text{N},\text{O}-\text{Pen})(\text{S}-\text{H}_n\text{Pen})]^{2-n}$ ($n = 0 - 1$) as the dominating species [26].

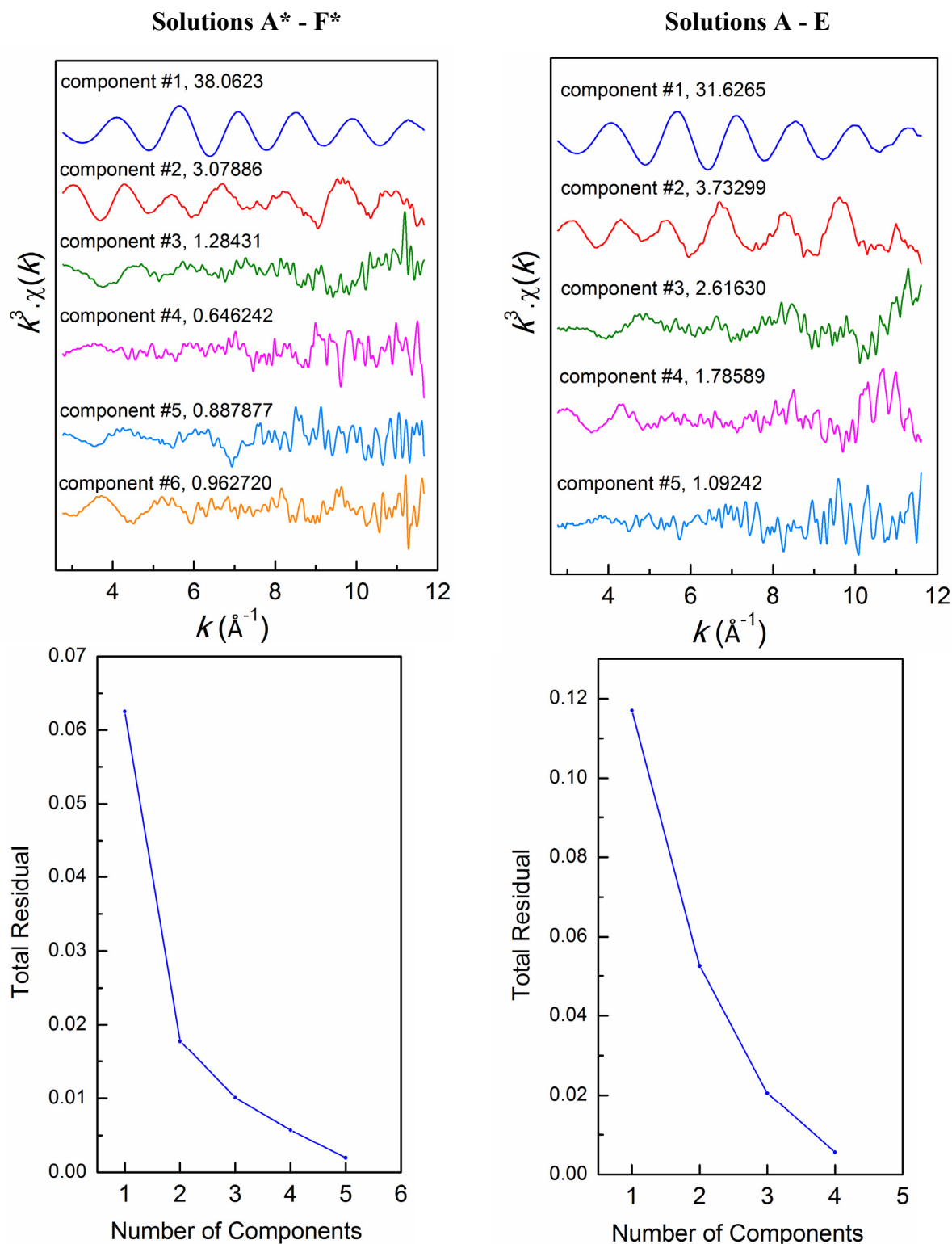


Figure S-10. (Top) Principal Component Analysis (PCA) of k^3 -weighted, raw experimental EXAFS spectra of Pb(II) cysteine solutions A* - F* and A - E (for compositions, see Table 1), showing all the components and their corresponding eigenvalues. (Bottom) Total residual in the reconstructed spectra as a function of the number of components.

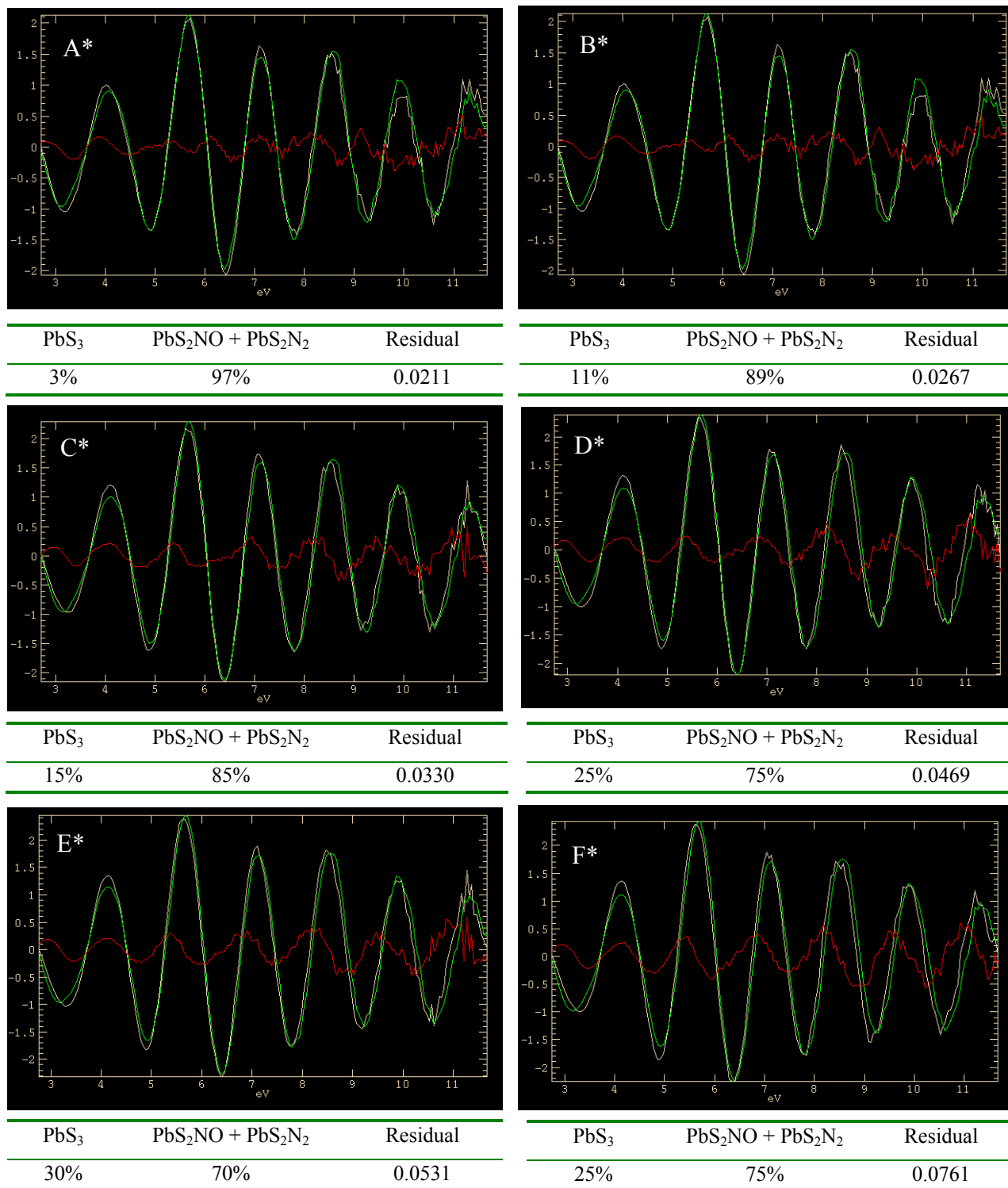


Figure S-11a. Linear combination of EXAFS oscillations for PbS₂N(N/O) and PbS₃ models fitted (green) to the EXAFS spectra of Pb(II) cysteine solutions A* - F* (white) in k -range 2.7 – 11.7 Å⁻¹; residual is shown in red.

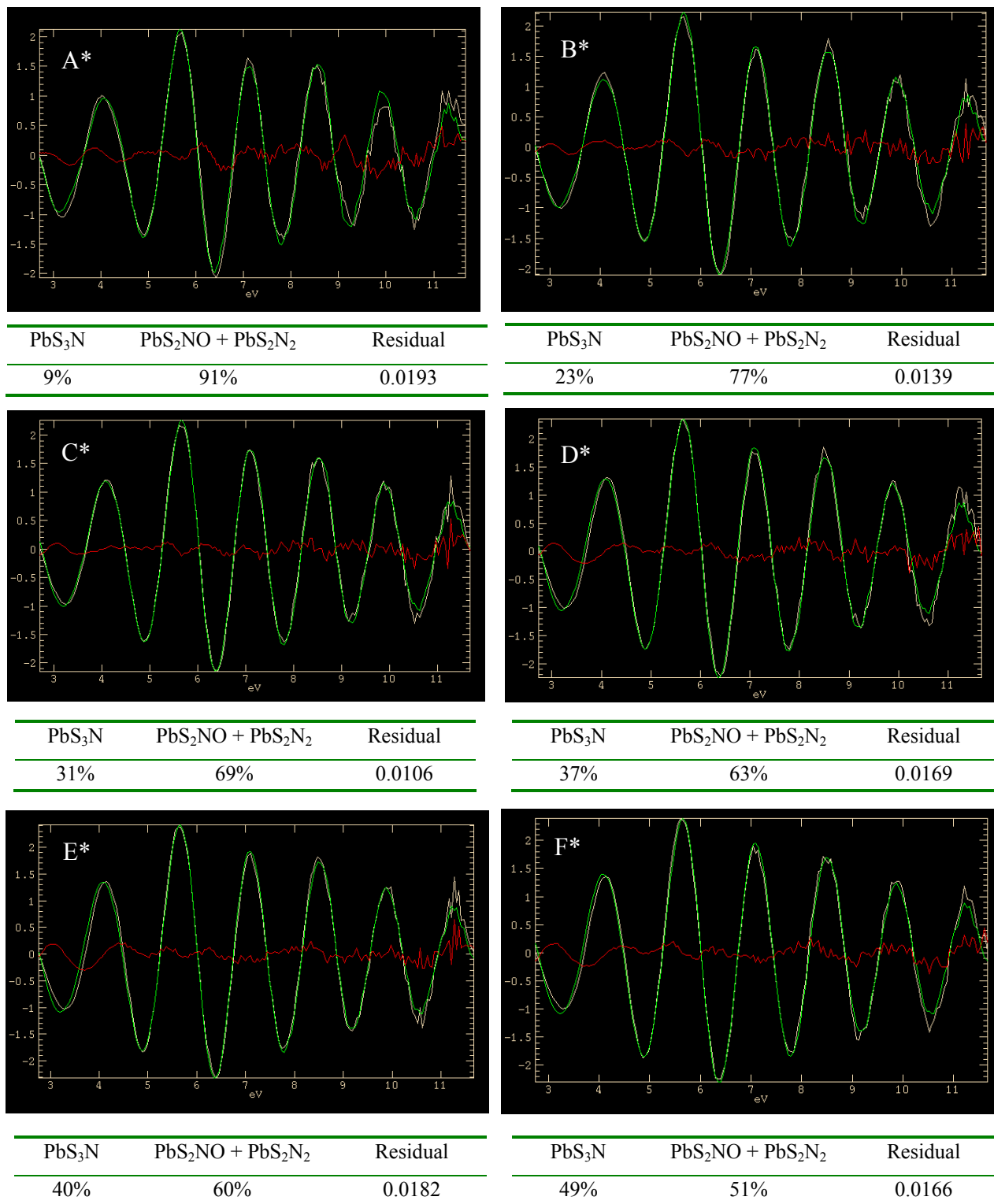
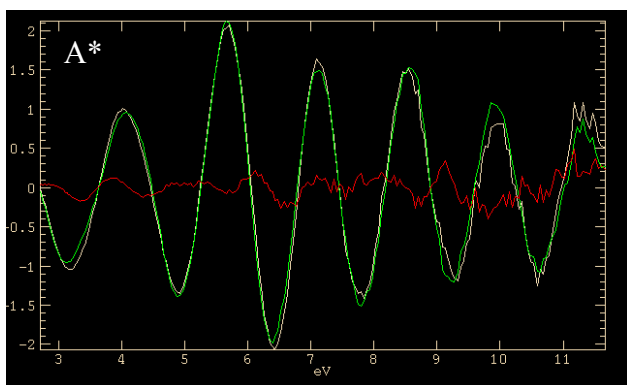
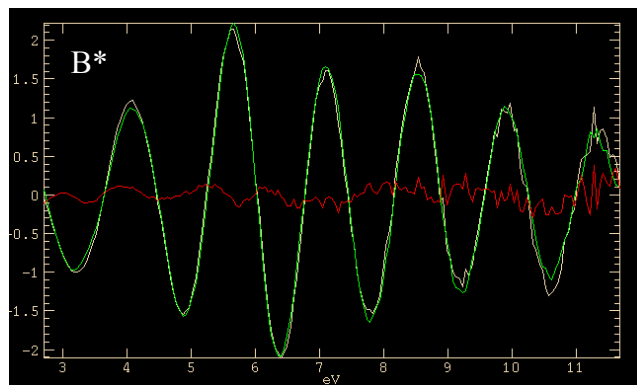


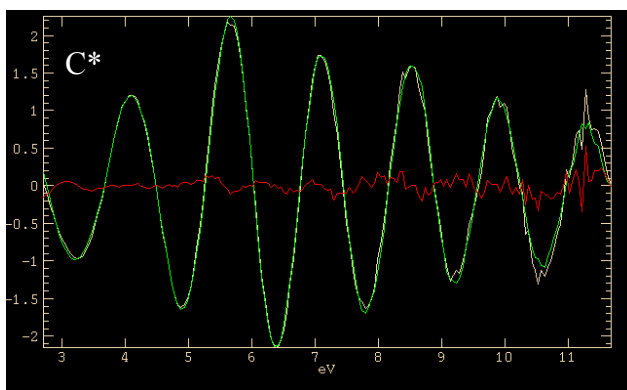
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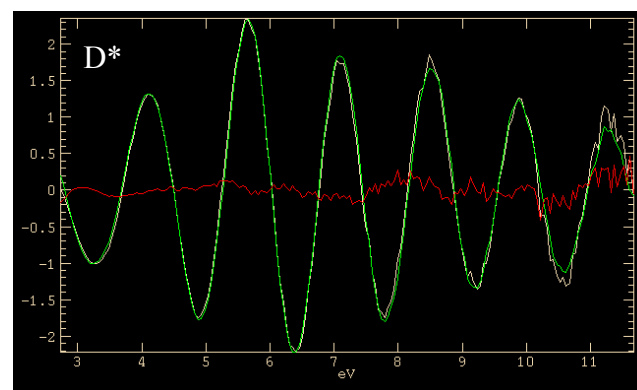
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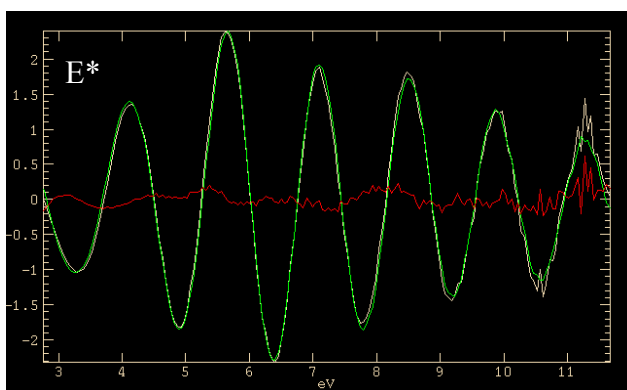
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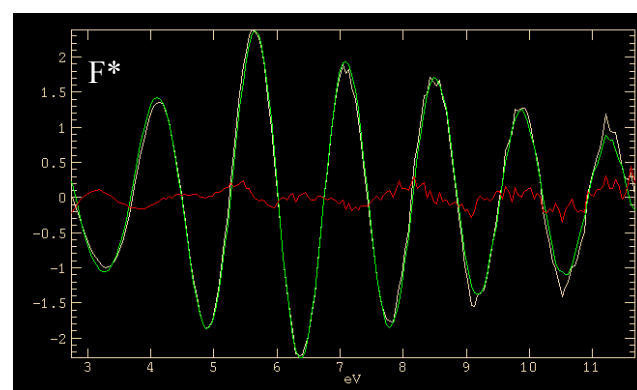
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| PbS ₃ N | PbS ₃ | PbS ₂ NO + PbS ₂ N ₂ | Residual |
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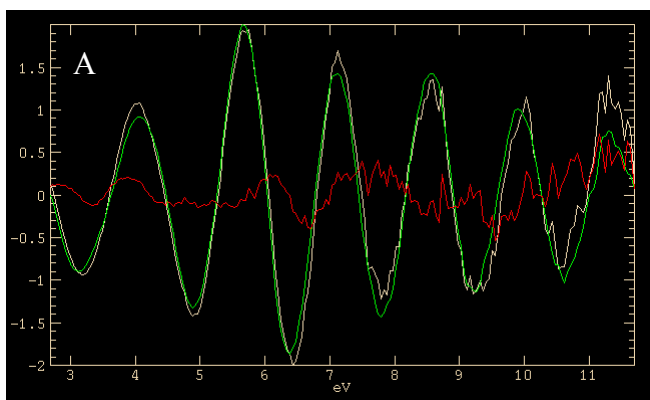


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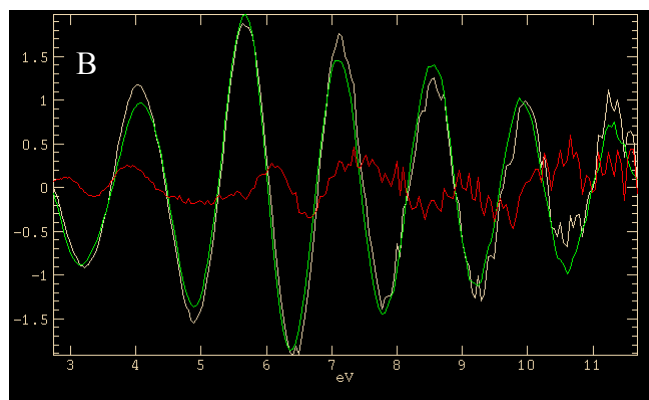


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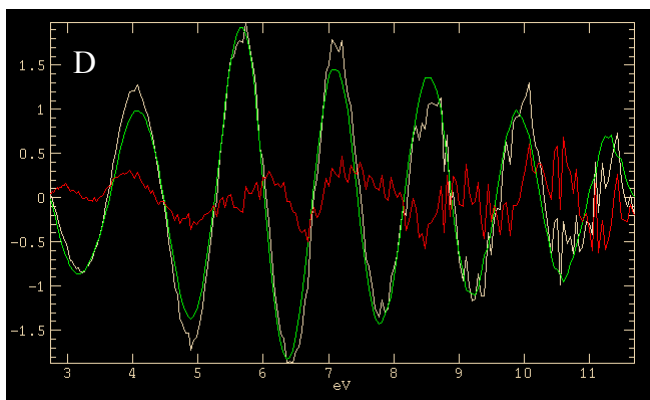
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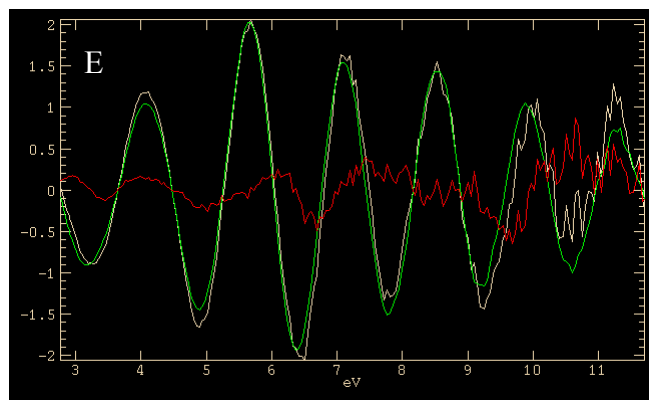
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|--------------------|---|----------|
| 11% | 89% | 0.0460 |



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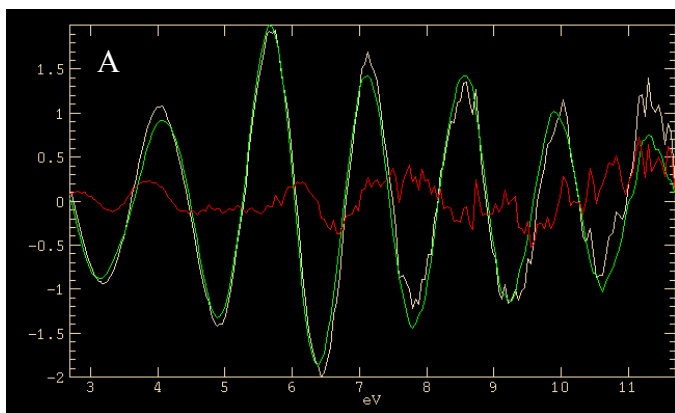


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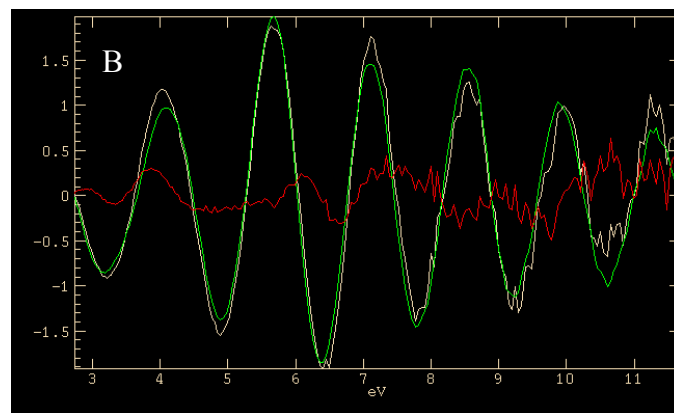


| PbS ₃ N | PbS ₂ NO + PbS ₂ N ₂ | Residual |
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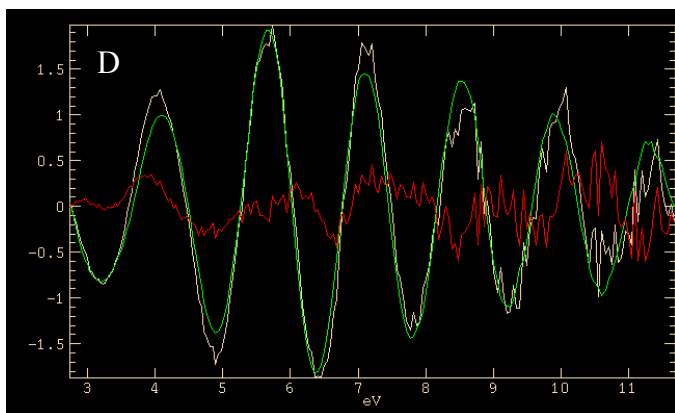
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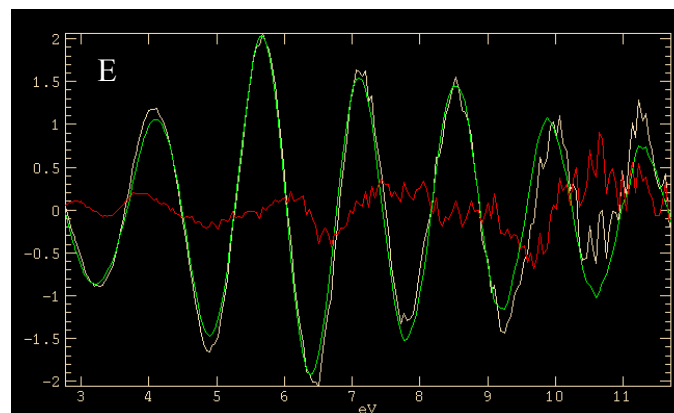
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| 10% | 4% | 86% | 0.0458 |



| PbS ₃ N | PbS ₃ | PbS ₂ NO + PbS ₂ N ₂ | Residual |
|--------------------|------------------|---|----------|
| 18% | 8% | 74% | 0.0385 |



| PbS ₃ N | PbS ₃ | PbS ₂ NO + PbS ₂ N ₂ | Residual |
|--------------------|------------------|---|----------|
| 23% | 12% | 65% | 0.0543 |



| PbS ₃ N | PbS ₃ | PbS ₂ NO + PbS ₂ N ₂ | Residual |
|--------------------|------------------|---|----------|
| 25% | 12% | 63% | 0.0532 |

Figure S-11e. Linear combination of EXAFS oscillations for PbS₂N(N/O), PbS₃ and PbS₃N models fitted (green) to the EXAFS spectra of Pb(II) cysteine solutions A - E (white) in k -range 2.7 – 11.7 Å⁻¹; residual is shown in red.

Table S-3. Results of fitting the raw, k^3 -weighted Pb L_{III}-edge EXAFS spectra of Pb(II) cysteine solutions A* - F* and A – E with linear combinations of EXAFS oscillations for PbS₂N(N/O), PbS₃N and PbS₃ models (see Figures S-11c and S-11e).^a

| Solution (H ₂ Cys/Pb ^{II} mole ratio) | $\delta(^{207}\text{Pb})$ ppm | PbS ₂ NO + PbS ₂ N ₂ (%) | PbS ₃ N (%) | PbS ₃ (%) |
|--|----------------------------------|--|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| A (2.1) | 2006 | 86 | 10 | 4 |
| B (3.0) | 2112 | 74 | 18 | 8 |
| D (5.0) | 2229 | 65 | 23 | 12 |
| E (8.0) | 2310 | 63 | 25 | 12 |
| A* (2.0) | 2010 | 91 | 9 | 0 |
| B* (3.0) | 2219 | 73 | 23 | 4 |
| C* (4.0) | 2316 | 63 | 31 | 6 |
| D* (5.0) | 2350 | 48 | 37 | 15 |
| E* (8.0) | 2418 | 39 | 43 | 18 |
| F* (10.0) | 2507 | 40 | 50 | 10 |

^a Raw k^3 -weighted EXAFS spectra of 0.1 M lead(II) solutions containing penicillamine ($C_{\text{H}_2\text{Pen}} = 0.3$ M; pH = 9.6), or *N*-acetylcysteine ($C_{\text{H}_2\text{NAC}} = 1.0$ M, pH = 9.1) were used for the PbS₂N(N/O) and PbS₃ species, respectively. The EXAFS oscillation for PbS₃N was theoretically simulated (see text). Estimated error limit of the relative amounts is $\pm 10 - 15\%$.

Table S-4. Least-squares curve-fitting of the k^3 -weighted EXAFS spectra for Pb(II)-cysteine alkaline aqueous solutions A – B ($C_{\text{Pb(II)}} = 10$ mM) and A*, B* and F* ($C_{\text{Pb(II)}} = 100$ mM), containing different H₂Cys/ Pb(II) mole ratios (Table 1), using different fitting models. ^a

| Solution | Model | Pb-(N/O) | | | Pb-S | | | ΔE_0 | \mathcal{R}^b |
|----------|-----------|------------|---------|------------------------------|------------|---------|------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| | | N | R (Å) | σ^2 (Å ²) | N | R (Å) | σ^2 (Å ²) | | |
| A | I | 2 <i>f</i> | 2.410 | 0.0206 | 2 <i>f</i> | 2.638 | 0.0058 | -1.1 | 20.0 |
| | II | 2 <i>f</i> | 2.400 | 0.0143 | 1.6 | 2.641 | 0.0043 | -0.9 | 19.5 * |
| B | I | 2 <i>f</i> | 2.431 | 0.0170 | 2 <i>f</i> | 2.643 | 0.0062 | -0.1 | 14.0 |
| | II | 2 <i>f</i> | 2.430 | 0.0165 | 2.0 | 2.644 | 0.0061 | -0.1 | 14.0 * |

| Solution | Model | Pb-(N/O) | | | Pb-S | | | ΔE_0 | \mathcal{R}^b |
|-----------|------------------------|--------------|---------|------------------------------|--------------|---------|------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| | | N | R (Å) | σ^2 (Å ²) | N | R (Å) | σ^2 (Å ²) | | |
| A* | I | 2 <i>f</i> | 2.417 | 0.0199 | 2 <i>f</i> | 2.639 | 0.0055 | -1.4 | 22.0 |
| | II | 2 <i>f</i> | 2.416 | 0.0201 | 2.0 | 2.639 | 0.0055 | -1.4 | 22.0 * |
| | III | 1 <i>f</i> | 2.335 | 0.0081 | 2 <i>f</i> | 2.636 | 0.0055 | -1.2 | 21.9 |
| B* | | 1 <i>f</i> | 2.503 | 0.0081 ^c | | | | | |
| | I | 2 <i>f</i> | 2.425 | 0.0177 | 2 <i>f</i> | 2.652 | 0.0050 | 0 | 18.2 |
| | II | 2 <i>f</i> | 2.429 | 0.0237 | 2.3 | 2.649 | 0.0059 | -0.4 | 18.0 * |
| | III | 1 <i>f</i> | 2.332 | 0.0143 | 2 <i>f</i> | 2.649 | 0.0050 | -0.3 | 18.1 |
| F* | | 1 <i>f</i> | 2.496 | 0.0143 ^c | | | | | |
| | IV | 1.5 <i>f</i> | 2.452 | 0.0290 | 2.9 | 2.662 | 0.0064 | 1.1 | 12.9 |
| | V^d | 1.5 <i>f</i> | 2.429 | 0.0185 | 2.5 <i>f</i> | 2.663 | 0.0055 | 1.2 | 13.0* |
| | VI | 1 <i>f</i> | 2.391 | 0.0200 | 2.8 | 2.661 | 0.0062 | 0.4 | 12.9 |
| | VII^e | 1 <i>f</i> | 2.403 | 0.0134 | 2.5 <i>f</i> | 2.662 | 0.0054 | 0.7 | 13.0 |

^a $S_0^2 = 0.9$ fixed (obtained from fitting the EXAFS spectrum of solid PbPen) [33]; k -range = 2.7 – 11.7 Å⁻¹; f = fixed value; $R \pm 0.04$ Å; $\sigma^2 \pm 0.002$ Å²; ^b The residual (%) from the least-squares curve fitting is defined as:

$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^N |y_{\text{exp}}(i) - y_{\text{theo}}(i)|}{\sum_{i=1}^N |y_{\text{exp}}(i)|} \times 100$$

where y_{exp} and y_{theo} are experimental and theoretical data points, respectively; ^c correlated; ^d assuming a 50:50% mixture of PbS₂N(N/O) and PbS₃N coordination environments; ^e assuming a 50:50% mixture of PbS₂N(N/O) and PbS₃ coordination. * Selected model for Table 4 and Figure 6.

Table S-5. Least-squares curve-fitting of the k^3 -weighted EXAFS spectra for crystalline $\text{Pb}(\text{aet})_2$ ^a

| Model | Path | N | R (Å) | σ^2 (Å ²) | S_0^2 | ΔE_0 | \mathcal{R} |
|------------|-------------------|------------|---------|------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| I | Pb-(N/O) | 2 <i>f</i> | 2.538 | 0.0040 | 0.9 <i>f</i> ^b | 3.5 | 20.7 |
| | Pt-S | 2 <i>f</i> | 2.632 | 0.0069 | | | |
| | Pt-C | 4 <i>f</i> | 3.437 | 0.0156 | | | |
| II | Pb-(N/O) | 2 <i>f</i> | 2.532 | 0.0020 | 0.9 <i>f</i> ^b | 1.9 | 20.0 |
| | Pt-S ^c | 2.8 | 2.615 | 0.0099 | | | |
| | Pt-C | 4 <i>f</i> | 3.406 | 0.0158 | | | |
| III | Pb-(N/O) | 2 <i>f</i> | 2.540 | 0.0033 | 1.0 <i>f</i> | 3.3 | 20.4 |
| | Pt-S | 2 <i>f</i> | 2.623 | 0.0078 | | | |
| | Pt-C | 4 <i>f</i> | 3.437 | 0.0174 | | | |

^a Mixed 50:50 (w/w) with boron nitride; $\text{Pb}(\text{aet})_2$ crystal structure [25] was used as FEFF model; k -range = 2.7 – 12.4 Å⁻¹; f = fixed; $R \pm 0.04$ Å; $\sigma^2 \pm 0.002$ Å²; ^b $S_0^2 = 0.9$ fixed (obtained from fitting EXAFS spectrum of solid PbPen) [33]. ^c Simultaneous refinement of coordination number and σ^2 for the Pb-S path shows the strong correlation between these parameters, which contribute in the EXAFS amplitude.

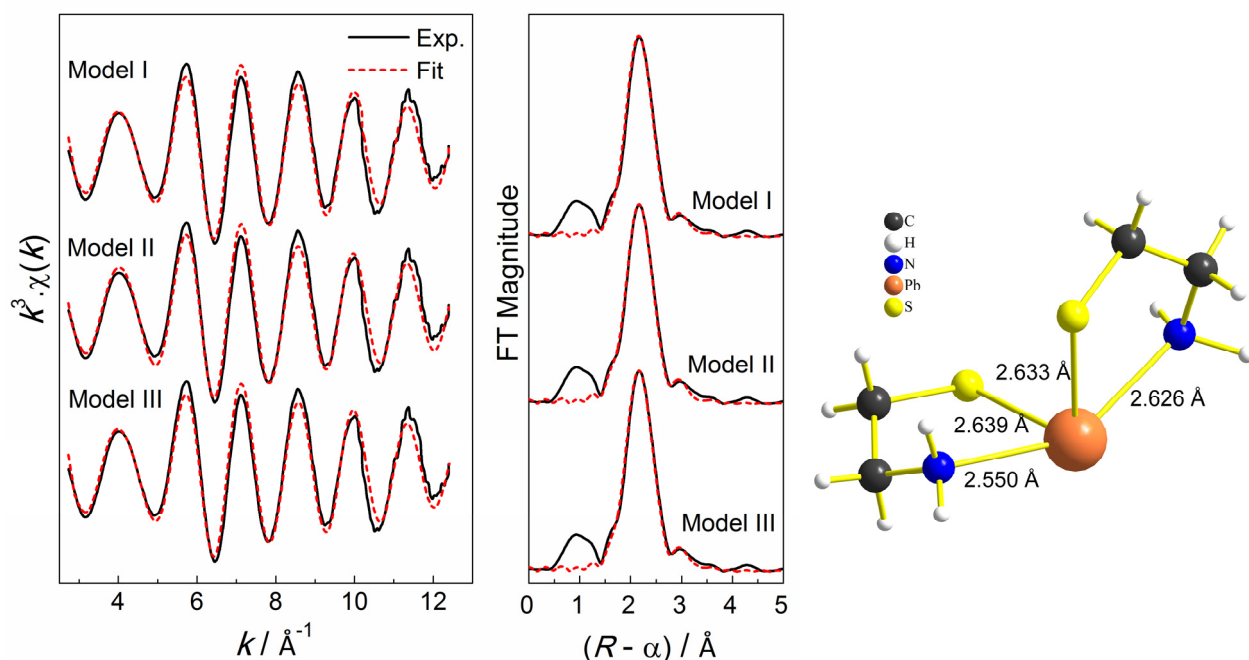


Figure S-12. EXAFS fitting results for crystalline $\text{Pb}(\text{aet})_2$ (see Table S-5); structure from *Ref. 25*

Table S-6. Survey of Pb(II) complexes with PbS₃N coordination in CSD version 5.35 (Nov 2013)

| | <i>CSD Code</i> | <i>Pb-S (Å)</i> | <i>Pb-N (Å)</i> | <i>Reference</i> |
|---|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|--|
| 1 | XIRBUW | 2.626 2.664 3.174 | 2.571 | G.G. Briand, A.D. Smith, G. Schatte, A.J. Rossini, R.W. Schurko <i>Inorg. Chem.</i> 2007 , <i>46</i> , 8625 |
| 2 | XIRCAD | 2.618 2.648 3.267 | 2.497 | G.G. Briand, A.D. Smith, G. Schatte, A.J. Rossini, R.W. Schurko <i>Inorg. Chem.</i> 2007 , <i>46</i> , 8625 |
| 3 | PAQVOT | 2.704 2.892 3.086 | 2.411 | M. S. Bharara; C. H. Kim; S. Parkin; D.A. Atwood <i>Polyhedron</i> 2005 , <i>24</i> , 865-871 |
| | Pb-X Range | 2.618 – 3.267 | 2.411 – 2.571 | |
| | Average | 2.853 | 2.493 | |