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Table S1 (electronic supplementary information, ESI)

Description of the 72 OH harmonic stretching vibrations as obtained from the full lattice dynamics calculation of crystalline $\text{Al}(\text{NO}_3)_3 \cdot 9\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (case C, see Fig. 3). For each normal vibration, the capital letter (H) is used to indicate the hydrogen atoms which are that main contributors while the small letter (h) indicates somewhat less contribution. Note, however, that all hydrogen atoms participate in all normal vibrations although with very small contribution in most cases.

Vibr #	Freq. (cm^{-1})	Symm. species	Description of normal vibration	Vibr #	Freq. (cm^{-1})	Symm. species	Description of normal vibration
1	3627	A_u	H91	37	3160	B_g	H12,h71,h22,h32,h11
2	3627	A_g	H91	38	3160	A_g	H52,H41,h42,h6,h11
3	3627	B_g	H91	39	3153	B_g	H41,h52,h11
4	3627	B_u	H91	40	3145	A_u	H41,h22,h52,h42,h12
5	3433	B_u	H82,h72	41	3139	A_u	H12,H11,h41,h52
6	3429	A_u	H82,h92,h61,h72	42	3133	B_u	H41,h42,h22
7	3411	A_u	H92,H72,h82,h71	43	3130	B_u	H12,H52,h11
8	3409	A_g	H82	44	3127	A_g	H12,h41,h11
9	3409	B_u	H92,H72,h82	45	3127	B_g	H52,H42,h41,h12,h22
10	3407	B_g	H82,h92	46	3117	A_g	H52,H41,h22,h12
11	3394	B_g	H92,H72,h82	47	3109	B_u	H52,H12
12	3390	A_g	H92,H72,h71	48	3108	A_u	H52,h12,h41
13	3339	A_u	H72,H92	49	3077	B_g	H42,H52,h22,h41
14	3339	A_g	H72,H92	50	3077	A_u	H42,h22,h41
15	3339	B_g	H72,H92,h21,h31	51	3067	A_g	H22,h41,h21,h52,h12
16	3335	B_u	H72,H92	52	3065	B_u	H22,h41,21
17	3307	B_g	H61,H31	53	3047	B_g	H22,H42,h21,h12
18	3306	B_u	H31,H61,h81,h82	54	3044	A_u	H22,H42,h21
19	3295	A_g	H31,h61,h72	55	3037	A_g	H42,h41,h21
20	3290	A_u	H31,H61,h81,h82	56	3032	B_u	H42,h22,h41
21	3281	A_g	H61,h31	57	3013	B_g	H21,h62,h71,h32,h22
22	3280	B_g	H31,H61	58	3005	A_g	H21,h71,h22,h32,h42
23	3263	B_u	H61,H31	59	3004	B_g	H62,h81,h21,h51
24	3259	A_u	H61,H31	60	2993	A_g	H62,h81,h51,h42
25	3230	A_u	H81,h31,h61,h51,h62	61	2986	B_u	H62,h81,h51
26	3226	B_u	H81,h61,h31,h71,h62	62	2984	B_u	H21,h71,h22
27	3225	B_g	H81,h62,h51	63	2983	A_u	H21,h71,h22
28	3224	A_g	H81,h62,h51	64	2983	A_u	H62,h81,h51
29	3213	B_u	H71,h81,h21,h32	65	2906	B_g	H32,h21,h22
30	3212	A_u	H71,H11,h21,h52	66	2900	B_g	H51,h62
31	3206	B_g	H11,h52,h12	67	2882	A_u	H51,h62
32	3195	A_u	H11,H71,h12,h92	68	2881	A_u	H32,h21
33	3189	A_g	H11,h12,h52,h31	69	2880	B_u	H32,h21
34	3180	B_u	H11,h12	70	2875	B_u	H51,h62
35	3178	B_g	H71,h12,h21,h72	71	2874	A_g	H32,h21
36	3174	A_g	H71,h21,h72,h32	72	2868	A_g	H51,h62,h32