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New Zn(II) complexes with N_2S_2 Schiff base ligands. Experimental and theoretical studies of the role of Zn(II) in disulfide thiolate-exchange

Two potentially tetradentate N_2S_2 Schiffbase ligands L^1 and L^2 undergo reductive disulfide bond scission in alcoholic solution in the presence of zinc acetate during the course of $Zn(NS)_2$ complex formation. The Xray crystal structures of $[Zn(L^3)_2]$ and $[Zn(L^4)_2]$, and theoretical calculations of the transition state of S–S cleavage are reported.



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Synthesis, structural characterization and DFT calculations of a new one-dimensional diorganotin(IV) derivative of *N*-isonicotinyl phosphoramide A new 1D diorganotin coordination polymer, $\{SnCl_2(CH_3)_2L\}_n$ (1), L = N-isonicotinyl, N',N''-bis(α -methylbenzyl) phosphoric triamide, was synthesized and characterized. DFT calculations were performed to compare the stability of the complex which showed *trans*-*cis* configuration with its *alltrans* isomer in the gas phase. AIM analysis confirmed the dominant electrostatic nature of Sn–ligand interaction.



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Synthesis, characterization and properties of four dimeric Zn^{II}-BMP coordination polymers modulated by a series of aromatic polycarboxylate acid

To systematically explore the influence of aromatic polycarboxylate ligands on building Zn^{II}-bmp (1,5-bis(2-methylbenzimidazol) pentane) coordination polymers, four coordination polymers with various dimeric centers have been hydrothermally synthesized.



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Synthesis, structure and dioxygen reactivity of Ni(II) complexes with mono-, bis-, tetra- and hexa-oxime ligands

Four new Ni(II) complexes with β -oximinoalkylamines containing one (Ox₁H₁), two (Ox₂H₂), four (Ox₄H₄) and six (Ox₆H₆) oxime groups were synthesized and characterized. Oxidation of Ph₃P with molecular oxygen in presence of these complexes was studied. Bis-oxime complexes Ni(Ox₂H₂)₂Cl₂ was found to be the most active oxidation promoter among the obtained nickel complexes.



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Synthesis, X-ray structure, electrochemical behaviour and fluorescence studies of mononuclear dioxouranium complexes with oxygen donor ligands The reaction of monomeric bidentate ligands [(2,6-PhCO)₂(4-R)C₆H₂OH] (R = Me or t-Bu) with [UO₂(-NO₃)₂:6H₂O] gave uranyl complexes with distorted pentagonal bipyramidal geometry at the metal centre. The U–O_{eq} bond lengths increase in the order: phenolic < solvent < carbonyl oxygen. The bidentate OO-donor mdbpH/bdbpH ligands are thus good chelators for the UO₂²⁺ ion. The reduction potential of **2** with a *tert*-butyl substituent on the phenolate ring was shifted to a more negative potential than that of **1** with a methyl substituent, reflecting the stronger electron donating ability of the *tert*-butyl group. The coordinated neopentanol in **1** is readily displaced by DMSO solution. Both complexes exhibit characteristic charge transfer emissions.



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Synthesis and structural characterization of new multi-ferrocenyl pyridine derivatives

Four new multi-ferrocenyl pyridine derivatives were synthesized via [2 + 2 + 2] cycloaddition reaction using Fc-C=C-C=C-Fc and CH₃C=N or PhC=N as reactants, CpCo(CO)₂ as catalyst.



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Structure and photochromism of zinc(II) complexes with 1-alkyl-2-(arylazo)imidazole, and the effect of number of coordinated ligands and halide type on the photochromism

 $[Zn(RaaiR')(DMF)X_2]$ and $[Zn(RaaiR')_2X_2]$ (RaaiR' = 1-alkyl-2-(arylazo)imidazole and X = Cl, Br, I) are structurally characterized and the UV light irradiation in DMF solution of the complexes show *trans*-to-*cis* isomerisation of coordinated azoimidazole. Quantum yields $(\phi_{t\rightarrow c})$ of free ligand are higher than their complexes. The *cis*-to-*trans* transformation is a thermal process and the activation energy (E_a) of the complexes is lower than free ligands. The rate of isomerisation follows $[Zn(RaaiR')_2 X_2] < [Zn(RaaiR')(DMF)X_2]$ and $[Zn(RaaiR')_n Cl_2] < [Zn(RaaiR')_nBr_2] < [Zn(RaaiR')_nl_2]$ (n = 1 or 2). It may be related to rotor volume and mass; size and electronegativity of halide which increases the effective molar association in the order of I < Br < Cl. DFT and TD-DFT computations of representative complexes are used to explain the difference in the rates and quantum yields of photoisomerisation.



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