Synthesis and magnetism of tetrachlorophthalato-bridged manganese(II) binuclear complexes

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Summary

Four novel manganese(II) binuclear complexes have been prepared and characterized, namely [Mn2(TCPHTA)(L)4]-(ClO₄)₂ [where L is 2,2'-bipyridyl (bipy), 1,10-phenanthroline (phen), 4,4'-dimethyl-2,2'-bipyridyl (Me₂bipy) or 5-nitro-1,10-phenanthroline (NO₂-phen) and TCPHTA is the tetrachlorophthalate dianion]. Based on i.r. spectra, elemental analyses, conductivity measurements, extended tetrachlorophthalato-bridged structures consisting of two manganese(II) ions in which each manganese(II) ion has a distorted octahedral environment are proposed for these structures. The temperature dependence of the magnetic susceptibility for $[Mn_2(TCPHTA)(phen)_4]$ - $(ClO_4)_2 \cdot H_2O$ was measured over the 4-300 K range and the observed data were successfully simulated by an equation based on the spin Hamiltonian operator ($\dot{H} =$ $-2J\hat{S}_1\cdot\hat{S}_2$), giving the exchange integral $J = -1.05 \,\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$. This result is indication of a weak antiferromagnetic spin exchange interaction between the metal ions.

Introduction

Polynuclear complexes with extended bridges have received much attention^(1,2), and interest in this area stems from attempts to mimic the structural and functional properties of biological systems and to design molecular magnets. In view of the effective bridging function of the terephthalato (TPHA) and phthalato (PHTH) dianions, many binuclear complexes containing TPHA and PHTH bridges were synthesized and their magnetic properties were studied $^{(3-16)}$. It has been revealed by X-ray diffraction analyses and variable temperature magnetic susceptibility investigation that long-range magnetic coupling can occur between two paramagnetic centres bridged by TPHA or PHTH. However, to the authors' knowledge, so far no tetrachlorophthalato-bridged complexes have been reported. In this paper, four novel binuclear manganese(II) complexes, $[Mn_2(TCPHTA)(L)_4](ClO_4)_2$, were prepared and characterized [where TCPHTA is the tetrachlorophthalate dianion and L is 2,2'-bipyridyl (bipy), 4,4'-dimethyl-2,2'bipyridyl (Me₂bipy), 1,10-phenanthroline (phen) or 5nitro-1,10-phenanthroline (NO₂-phen)], in which each manganese(II) ion has a distorted octahedral environment.

Experimental

Syntheses – general

All reagents used in the synthesis were of analytical grade. The hydrated manganese perchlorates were prepared by a general method⁽¹⁷⁾. Tetrachlorophthalic acid was purchased from Aldrich. Piperidinium tetrachlorophthalate was synthesized by the literature method⁽⁴⁾.

Preparation of $[Mn_2(TCPHTA)(bipy)_4]$ - $(ClO_4)_2 \cdot 2H_2O(1)$

To a solution of piperidinium tetrachlorophthalate (98.4 mg, 0.2 mmol) and Mn(ClO₄)₂·6H₂O (144.8 mg, 0.4 mmol) in EtOH (15 cm³) was added an EtOH solution (10 cm³) of 2,2'-bipy (124.8 mg, 0.8 mmol) in EtOH (10 cm³). After the mixture was further stirred for 4 h at room temperature, the yellow microcrystals thus obtained were removed by filtration, washed with EtOH and Et₂O several times, and dried *in vacuo*. (Found: C, 45.6; H, 2.5; Mn, 8.7; N, 8.6; N, 8.8%).

Preparation of $[Mn_2(TCPHTA)(Me_2bipy)_4]$ - $(ClO_4)_2 \cdot 2H_2O(2)$

The complex was obtained as yellow microcrystals by the same procedure as above but by using Me₂bipy instead of bipy. (Found: C, 48.7; H, 3.8; Mn, 8.0; N, 8.1; $C_{56}H_{52}Cl_6Mn_2N_8O_{14}$ calcd.: C, 48.6; H, 3.7; Mn, 7.9; N, 8.1%.)

Preparation of $[Mn_2(TCPHTA)(phen)_4]$ - $(ClO_4)_2 \cdot H_2O(3)$

This complex was obtained as yellow microcrystals by the same procedure as above but by using phen instead of bipy and MeOH instead of EtOH. (Found: C, 49.5; H, 2.6; Mn, 8.1; N, 8.1; $C_{56}H_{34}Cl_6Mn_2N_8O_{13}$ calcd.: C, 49.9; H, 2.5; Mn, 8.1; N, 8.3%.)

Preparation of $[Mn_2(TCPHTA)(NO_2-phen)_4]$ - $(ClO_4)_2 \cdot H_2O(4)$

This complex was obtained as yellow microcrystals by the same procedure as above but by using NO₂-phen instead of bipy and MeOH instead of EtOH. (Found: C, 43.9; H, 1.9; Mn, 7.3; N, 10.9; $C_{56}H_{30}Cl_6Mn_2N_{12}O_{21}$ calcd.: C, 44.0; H, 2.0; Mn, 7.2; N, 11.0%.)

Physical measurements

C, H, N analyses were carried out on a Perkin-Elmer analyser, model 240. Metal contents were determined by EDTA titration. The i.r. spectra were recorded with an IR-408 spectrophotometer using KBr discs. Molar conductances were measured with a DDS-11A conductometer. Variable temperature magnetic susceptibilities were measured at the Institute of Physics, Chinese Academy of Sciences, using a vibrating sample magnetometer, model CF-1 (sensitivity $m = 10^{-4}$ emu). Diamagnetic corrections were made with Pascal's constant⁽¹⁸⁾ for all the constituent atoms and the magnetic moments were calculated by the equation $\mu_{eff} = 2.828(\chi T)^{1/2}$.

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Complex	I.r. (cm^{-1}) $v_{as}(CO_2)$	$v_{\rm s}({\rm CO}_2)$	$\Delta(v_{\rm as}-v_{\rm s})$	v(ClO ₄ ⁻)	$\stackrel{\Lambda_{\rm M}}{(\Omega^{-1}{\rm cm}^2{\rm mol}^{-1})}$	U.v. (cm ⁻¹)
(1)	1600	1440	160	1100	142	34483
(2)	1600	1410	190	1100	139	34490
(3)	1600	1430	170	1100	131	34468
(4)	1600	1410	190	1100	135	34472

Table 1. Physical data for the complexes

 $(1), [Mn_2(TCPHTA)(bipy)_4](ClO_4)_2 \cdot 2H_2O; (2), [Mn_2(TCPHTA)(Me_2bipy)_4](ClO_4)_2 \cdot 2H_2O; (3), [Mn_2(TCPHTA)(phen)_4](ClO_4)_2 \cdot H_2O; (4), [Mn_2(TCPHTA)(NO_2-phen)_4](ClO_4)_2 \cdot H_2O.$

Results and discussion

General characterization

Elemental analyses indicate that reaction occurs between TCPHTA with $Mn(ClO_4) \cdot 6H_2O$ and bipy, Me_2 bipy, phen or NO₂-phen. Based on conductance measurements, spectroscopic and magnetic data (vide infra) the complexes are presumed to have the coordination environment as shown in Figure 1. For all four, the molar conductances in DMF solution (Table 1) fall in the expected range for 1:2 electrolytes⁽¹⁹⁾, indicating that the two perchlorate anions are outside the coordination sphere. The most relevant i.r. absorption bands for the complexes, together with their assignments, are shown in Table 1. All complexes exhibited the two characteristic strong and broad $v_{as}(COO^{-})$ (ca 1600 cm⁻¹) and $v_{s}(COO^{-})$ (ca 1420 cm⁻¹) absorption bands. According to the literature⁽²⁰⁾, the carboxylato group coordination modes have often been determined by the separation between $v_{as}(COO^{-})$ and $v_{e}(COO^{-})$; i.e. bidentate carboxylate groups show a separation $< 200 \,\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$, whereas unidentate carboxylato groups show a separation $> 200 \,\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$. Thus, the separation for the present complexes $(v_{as} - v_s = ca \ 180 \ \text{cm}^{-1})$ indicated a bidentate bonding mode for both carboxylato groups of the TCPHTA ligand. In addition, the -N=Cstretching vibration at ca 1560 cm⁻¹ for a terminal ligand (bipy, Me₂bipy, phen or NO₂-phen) and the ClO_4^- group vibration at 1100 cm^{-1} , which is typical for a noncoordinated perchlorate ion⁽²¹⁾, were present in all complexes. The electronic spectra absorb strongly at ca 34480 cm⁻¹ ($\epsilon > 10^4$ M⁻¹ cm⁻¹), and may be assigned to the charge transfer transition. Failure to observe the manganese(II) d-d band may be due to the weakness of absorption. The coordination environment of manganese(II) in the complex is a distorted octahedron. Thus, according to ligand field theory, and assuming O_h symmetry, the ground state of manganese(II) is ${}^{6}A_{1g}$. The d-d transitions of manganese(II) (${}^{6}A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^{4}T_{1g}(G), {}^{4}T_{2g}(G), {}^{4}A_{1g}, ...$) are spin-forbidden; in the spectra of Mn^{II}-Mn^{II} complexes no characteristic manganese(II) band was found. Based on



Figure 1. Coordination environment of the complexes ($\hat{N} =$ phen, NO₂-phen, bipy or Me₂bipy).



Figure 2. Variable temperature magnetic susceptibility and magnetic moment for $[Mn_2(TCPHTA)(phen)_4](ClO_4)_2$ ·H₂O.

the above discussion, it is reasonable to suppose that each manganese(II) ion in $[Mn_2(TCPHTA)(L)_4](ClO_4)_2$ has an octahedral coordinated environment.

Magnetic properties of $[Mn_2(TCPHTA)(phen)_4]$ - $(ClO_4)_2 \cdot H_2O$

The observed magnetic moment per binuclear manganese(II) complex at room temperature is $8.25 \,\mu_{\rm B}$ for complex (3), which is slightly less than the spin-only value $(8.36 \mu_B)$. The result suggests the presence of an antiferromagnetic spin-exchange interaction in the complexes⁽²²⁾. In order to understand quantitatively the magnitudes of spinexchange interaction, the temperature dependence of magnetic susceptibility and magnetic moment for [Mn₂- $(TCPHTA)(phen)_4](ClO_4)_2 \cdot H_2O$ were measured and are shown in Figure 2. The magnetic analysis was carried out with the susceptibility equation based on the Heisenberg spin-exchange operator $\hat{H} = -2J\hat{S}_1\cdot\hat{S}_2$, where the exchange integral J is negative for antiferromagnetic and positive for a ferromagnetic interaction. The mole susceptibility of the Mn^{II}-Mn^{II} ($S_1 = S_2 = 5/2$) system is given in Equation 1:

$$\chi_{\rm M} = (2Ng^2\beta^2/kT)(A/B) \tag{1}$$

 $A = 55 + 30 \exp(-10J/kT) + 14 \exp(-18J/kT) + 5 \exp(-24J/kT) + \exp(-28J/kT); B = 11 + 95 \exp(-10J/kT) + 7 \exp(-18J/kT) + 5 \exp(-24/kT) + 3 \exp(-28J/kT) + \exp(-30J/kT). \chi_{\rm M}$ is the mol susceptibility per binuclear complex and the other symbols have their usual meanings. As shown in Figure 2, good fits with the experimental data are obtained for $J = -1.05 \,{\rm cm}^{-1}$ and g = 2.01. The agreement factor, $F = \Sigma [(\chi_{\rm M})_{\rm obs.} - (\chi_{\rm M})_{\rm cale.}]^2 / \Sigma (\chi_{\rm M})_{\rm obs.}$, is 2.86 $\times 10^{-3}$. The result (small and negative J value) indicates a very weak antiferromagnetic spin-exchange interaction between manganese(II) and manganese(II) ions.

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