



Solvothermal Synthesis and Crystal Structure of Cobalt(II) Complex Derived from 4-Heterocyclic Acylpyrazolone

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A novel 4-acylpyrazolones complex of cobalt $[\text{Co}(\text{CPTP})_2(\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH})_2] (\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH})_2$ (HCPTP = 1-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-phenyl-4-thenoyl-1H-pyrazol-5-ol) has been synthesized and characterized structurally. It crystallizes in the triclinic space group P-1 with $a = 11.8582$ (8), $b = 14.2225$ (9), $c = 14.5396$ (9) Å; $\alpha = 91.450$ (2), $\beta = 104.323$ (2), $\gamma = 91.395$ (2), $V = 2374.0$ (3) Å³, $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_{18}\text{Co}_3$, $M_r = 1002.87$, $Z = 2$, $D_c = 1.403$ g/cm³, $m = 0.619$ mm⁻¹, $F(000) = 1042$, $R = 0.0411$ and $wR = 0.1119$ for 7780 observed reflections with $I > 2s(I)$. The complex has a six-coordinated Co(II) center in a distorted octahedral configuration with two ethanol ligands in *cis* position. These octahedral units are connected through hydrogen bonds *via* two ethanol molecules along the *c*-axis.

Keywords: Acylpyrazolone complex, Cobalt, Crystal structure.

INTRODUCTION

Acylpyrazolones are an interesting class of β -diketones compounds which exhibit keto-enol tautomerism¹, which have been used as advantageous metal extractants and chelating reagents in the spectroscopic determination of metals in traces, due to quite a number of valuable properties of these complexes such as high extracting ability, intense colour of the complex extracts and low-solubility of the complexes in some solvents^{2,3}. Moreover, their metal complexes have been found to display catalytic performance^{4,5}, biological activity and enhanced luminescence⁶. HCPTP (1-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-phenyl-4-thenoyl-1H-pyrazol-5-ol) is a new 4-heterocyclic acylpyrazolones (**Scheme-I**). In our previous work, the syntheses and crystal structures of HCPTP have been reported⁷.

The solvothermal synthesis has rapidly developed over the past several years due to its effectiveness, simplicity and environmental friendliness^{8,9}. So, in this paper, as a continuation of our research, we report synthesis by solvothermal method in a special mixed solvent system and crystal structure of complex about HCPTP containing Co(II): $[\text{Co}(\text{CPTP})_2(\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH})_2] (\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH})_2$.

EXPERIMENTAL

All reagents used in the syntheses were analytical grade and used without further purification. Elemental analyses for carbon, hydrogen and nitrogen were performed on an

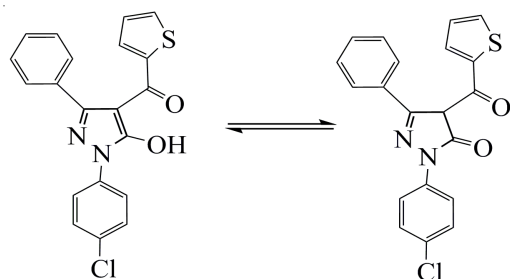
Elementar vario EL III elemental analyzer. The infrared spectra (4000-600 cm⁻¹) were recorded by using KBr pellet on a Nicolet 5700 spectrophotometer. Thermal analysis was performed on a Netzsch STA449F3 TG-DSC thermal analyzer with a heating rate of 5 K/min. UV/visible spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer Lambda35 spectrophotometer.

Synthesis of $[\text{Co}(\text{CPTP})_2(\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH})_2] (\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH})_2$

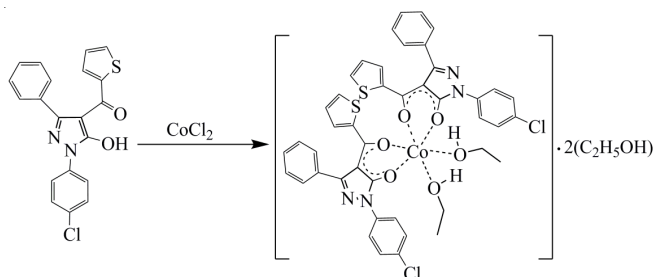
Synthesis of the Co(II) complex (Scheme-II): A solution of CoCl_2 (1 mmol, 0.1300 g) in 5 mL diethyl ether was added to a solution of HCPTP (2 mmol, 0.7620 g) in 10 mL anhydrous ethanol. The mixture was placed in a 30 mL Teflon-lined stainless steel vessel with addition of a few drops of glacial acetic acid as a catalyst, gradually heated to 120 °C for 48 h and then cooled to room temperature over 48 h. Red block crystals suitable for X-ray analysis were obtained, yield: 85 %. The reaction procedure is shown in **Scheme-II**.

For $\text{C}_{48}\text{H}_{48}\text{N}_4\text{O}_8\text{S}_2\text{CoCl}_2$: Anal. calcd (%): C, 57.49; H, 4.82; N, 5.59. Found: C, 57.38; H, 4.94; N, 5.47. Infrared spectrum (KBr, ν_{max} , cm⁻¹): 3421(w), 1604(s), 1568(s), 1471(s), 1234(w), 1178(w), 1093(w).

X-ray crystallography: Red single crystal of the complex (0.41 × 0.34 × 0.25 mm) was put on a Bruker SMART APEX II CCD diffractometer equipped with a graphite-monochromated MoK_α radiation ($\lambda = 0.71073$ Å) by using a ϕ/ω scan technique at room temperature. 8794 independent reflections ($R_{\text{int}} = 0.0228$) in the range $1.43 < \theta < 25.50$ with $-14 \leq h \leq 14$,



(enol-form) (keto-form)
Scheme-I: Enol-form and keto-form of HCPTP



Scheme-II: Synthesis of $[\text{Co}(\text{CPTP})_2(\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH})_2] (\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH})_2$

$-17 \leq k \leq 17$, $-16 \leq l \leq 17$ were collected at 296 (2) K. The structure was solved by direct methods with SHELXS-97¹⁰. The hydrogen atoms were assigned with common isotropic displacement factors and included in the final refinement by use of geometrical restraints, while the non-hydrogen atoms were treated with common anisotropic displacement factors and included in the final refinement with geometrical restraints. A full-matrix least-squares refinement on F^2 was carried out using SHELXL-97¹¹. The final agreement factor values are $R = 0.0411$ and $wR = 0.1119$. Crystallographic data and refinement parameters are listed in Table-1. CCDC 909347 contains

TABLE-1
CRYSTALLOGRAPHIC DATA FOR
 $[\text{Co}(\text{CPTP})_2(\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH})_2] (\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH})_2$

Compound	$[\text{Co}(\text{CPTP})_2(\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH})_2](\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH})_2$
Color/shape	Red/block
Formula	$\text{C}_{48}\text{H}_{48}\text{N}_4\text{O}_8\text{S}_2\text{CoCl}_2$
Formula weight	1002.87
Temperature (K)	296 (2)
Wavelength (Å)	0.71073
Crystal system	Triclinic
Space group	P-1
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 11.8582 (8) \text{ \AA}$, $b = 14.2225 (9) \text{ \AA}$, $c = 14.5396 (9) \text{ \AA}$, $\alpha = 91.450 (2)$, $\beta = 104.323 (2)$, $\gamma = 91.395 (2)$
Z Volume, Å ³	2 2374.0 (3)
Calculated density (mg/m ³)	1.403
Absorption coefficient (mm ⁻¹)	0.619
F(000)	1042
θ range for data collection (°)	1.43 - 25.50
Reflections collected	28612
Independent reflection	8794 [R(int) = 0.0228]
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F^2
Data / restraints / parameters	8794/3/606
Goodness-of-fit on F^2	1.049
Final R indices [$I > 2\sigma(I)$]	$R1 = 0.0411$, $wR2 = 0.1119$
R indices (all data)	$R1 = 0.0471$, $wR2 = 0.1193$
Largest diff. peak and hole	1.191 and -0.447 e/\AA^3

the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper. These data can be obtained free of charge from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre via www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data_request/cif.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The structure of the Co(II) complex is shown in Fig. 1. The X-ray analysis revealed that the complex was a 6-coordinate mononuclear Co(II) complex with the metal coordinated by two oxygens of ethanol and four oxygens of two bidentate pyrazolonate ligands CPTP⁻. Co(II) is located in the center of the octahedron.

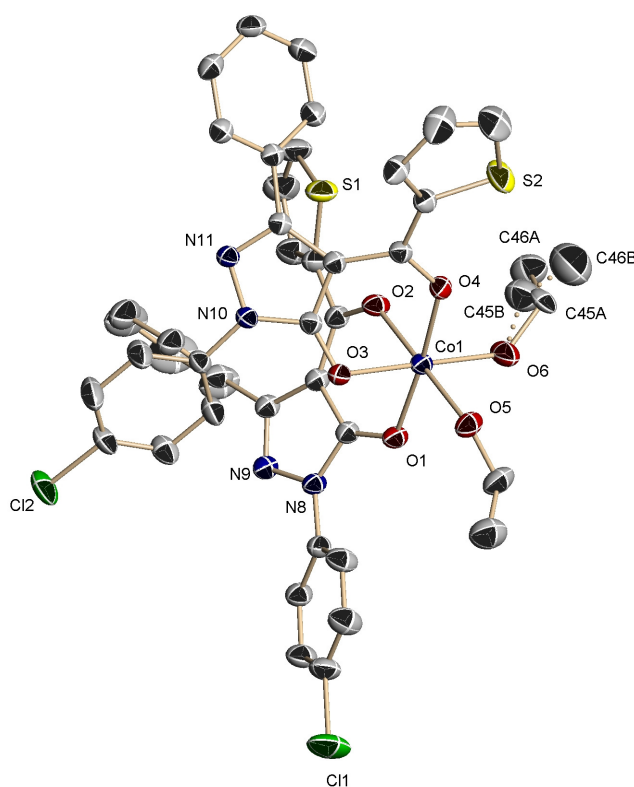


Fig. 1. Molecular structure of $[\text{Co}(\text{CPTP})_2(\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH})_2] (\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH})_2$ in the solid state. (30 % probability ellipsoids. The two uncoordinated ethanol molecule are omitted for clarity)

The O(1)-Co(1)-O(4) angle is $175.35 (6)^\circ$, while the angles of O(2)-Co(1)-O(3), O(3)-Co(1)-O(5), O(5)-Co(1)-O(6) and O(6)-Co(1)-O(2) are $90.53 (6)^\circ$, $90.49 (7)^\circ$, $88.47 (8)^\circ$ and $90.52 (7)^\circ$, respectively, add up to $360.01 (36)^\circ$ (Table-2). So the coordination around the Co is a slightly distorted octahedron. The two ethanol molecules are mutually *cis*, while the two bidentate HCPTP ligands adopt the deprotonated enol form, chelating to the Co atom via their O atoms. The *cis*-configuration probably is allowed by the intermolecular hydrogen bonds, which afford greater stability than *trans*-configuration. The C atoms (C45A, C45B and C46A, C46B) of one of the two ethanol molecules coordinated to the Co atom are disordered over two sets in ratio 0.474(5):0.526(5).

The complex $[\text{Co}(\text{CPTP})_2(\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH})_2](\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH})_2$ contains two co-crystallized uncoordinated alcohol molecules, which are linked *vis* hydrogen bonds bonding to the coordinated ethanol molecules (atoms O₅ and O₆; Table-3 and Fig. 2). The later,

TABLE-2
SELECTED BOND LENGTHS (Å), ANGLES (DEG), AND
DIHEDRAL ANGLES (DEG) FOR [Co(CPTP)₂(C₂H₅OH)₂]
(C₂H₅OH)₂ WITH ESTIMATED STANDARD
DEVIATIONS IN PARENTHESES

Bond	d, Å	Bond	d, Å
Co(1)-O(1)	2.0334(15)	O(1)-C(7)	1.265(3)
Co(1)-O(2)	2.0695(16)	O(3)-C(29)	1.277(3)
Co(1)-O(4)	2.0724(15)	O(2)-C(16)	1.260(3)
Co(1)-O(3)	2.0759(15)	O(4)-C(36)	1.257(3)
Co(1)-O(6)	2.0808(18)	C(28)-C(29)	1.418(3)
Co(1)-O(5)	2.1024(17)	C(7)-C(8)	1.427(3)
C(8)-C(16)	1.426(3)	C(28)-C(36)	1.432(3)
Angle	ω, deg	Angle	ω, deg
O(1)-Co(1)-O(2)	88.12(6)	O(6)-Co(1)-O(5)	88.47(8)
O(2)-Co(1)-O(4)	89.65(6)	O(1)-Co(1)-O(5)	90.84(6)
O(4)-Co(1)-O(3)	86.80(6)	O(4)-Co(1)-O(5)	91.45(6)
O(1)-Co(1)-O(3)	89.14(6)	O(3)-Co(1)-O(5)	90.49(7)
O(1)-Co(1)-O(6)	91.25(7)	O(2)-Co(1)-O(6)	90.52(7)
O(4)-Co(1)-O(6)	92.85(7)	O(2)-Co(1)-O(3)	90.53(6)

TABLE 3
HYDROGEN BOND INTERACTIONS
FOR [Co(CPTP)₂(C₂H₅OH)₂](C₂H₅OH)₂

D-H...A	d(D-H)	d(H...A)	d(D...A)	∠(DHA)
O(5)-H(5A)...O(8)#1	0.81	1.97	2.762(3)	167
O(6)-H(6A)...O(7)#2	0.80	1.87	2.669(3)	173
O(7)-H(7)...N(9)#3	0.82	2.14	2.951(3)	168
O(8)-H(8)...O(3)#3	0.82	2.02	2.818(3)	163

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1: x, y-1, z-1; #2: x, y-1, z; #3: -x+1, -y+1, -z+1

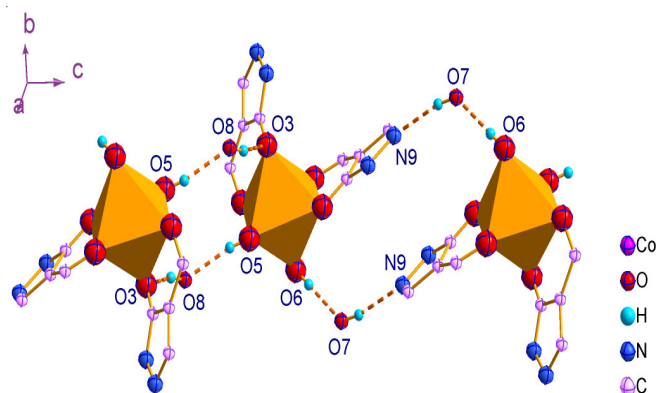


Fig. 2. View of the crystal structure of [Co(CPTP)₂(C₂H₅OH)₂](C₂H₅OH)₂. Some atoms were omitted for clarity

in turn, act as hydrogen bond donors to atoms N₉ and O₃ of neighboring complexes. Thus, the molecules form double-chains of hydrogen bonds along the c axis and a one-dimensional supramolecular structure is formed.

Thermal analysis: The DSC and TG analyses were carried out over the temperature range from 25 to 1200 °C. The TG-DSC curves of the [Co(CPTP)₂(C₂H₅OH)₂](C₂H₅OH)₂ shows decomposition of the complex in two regions (Fig. 3). The first region at about 35-175 °C with a mass loss of 18.3 % (calcd. 18.4 %) is due to the evolution of two solvate ethanol molecules and two ethanol molecules coordinated with Co. The second

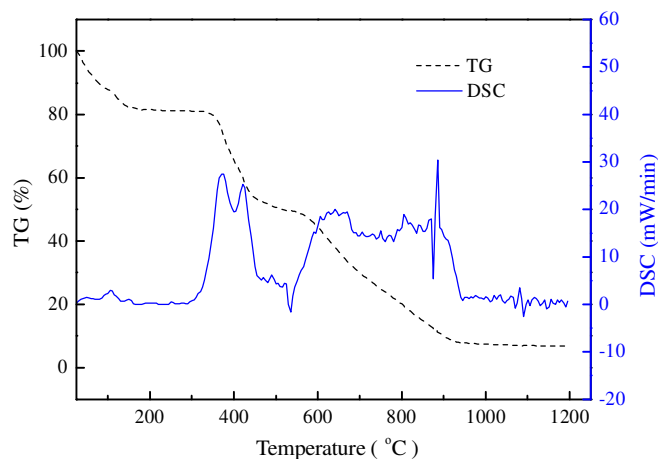


Fig. 3. TG-DSC curves of [Co(CPTP)₂(C₂H₅OH)₂](C₂H₅OH)₂

step occurs at 325-945 °C, accompanied by many exothermic peaks in the DSC curve due to the decomposition of the organic residues.

Conclusion

A new 4-heterocyclic acylpyrazolone cobalt (II) complex [Co(CPTP)₂(C₂H₅OH)₂](C₂H₅OH)₂, has been synthesized. The Co lies at an inversion center with a slightly distorted octahedral coordination environment. The intermolecular hydrogen bonds, O-H...O and O-H...N provide further stability.

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