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3d-4f coordination compounds

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Abstract. This paper reviews the coordination architectures obtained in 3d-4f metal ion systems along with a description of their general particularities. The work is organised roughly by the ligand nature. The structural particularities as well as some specific properties are discussed in detail.

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1. INTRODUCTION

There has been a great deal of recent interest in heterobinuclear complexes[1] containing both transitional metal and lantanide metal ions[2,3]. Studies on these complexes are mostly concerned on magnetic properties in concetion with their aplication in advanced materials science and in medicinal inorganic chemistry. Lanthanide coordination chemistry is dominated by the oxygen-donor ligands. However, nitrogen-bonded complexes have also been obtained and well characterized. Certain key features must kept in mind

when lanthanide chemistry is explored: the preferred high coordination number, their large ionic radii and their high charge. Lanthanide complexes are characterized kinetic lability evidentiated by formation of hydroxides in aqueous media. Amines alone are poor donors for lanthanides in water; however, incorporated into ligands which also contain oxygen donor atoms, they form quite stable Ln(III) complexes, much more stable than the analogous oxo acids. Their stability is increased when chelating ligands are present.

For the purpose of this review, we will make a recension of the 3d-4f coordination compounds along with a description of their properties compared to the parent precursors. We will describe some individual systems in more detail. The work is organised roughly by the ligand nature.

2. AMINOALCOHOLS AND AMINOPHENOLS AS LIGANDS

Tridentate aminoalcohols of the type 1, aminophenols like 2, have been widely used to obtain homo- and heteropolynuclear complexes in which the oxygen atom bridges two metal ion thereby beeing favoured spin coupling. Binuclear blue complex CuPr(1-H)₂(hfacae)₂(O₂CCF₃)L, 3, (L = 2-methyl-2,4,6-tris (trifluoromethyl)-1,3-dioxane-4,6-diolato)) and trinuclear one LnCu2(hfacac)(1-H)3(O2-CCH3)2(O2CCF3)(hfacacH)(THF), 4, where Ln = Nd, Pr, have been reported for some of the lanthanide(III) metal ions[4]. The complexes can either be readily sublimed or thermally decomposed to the corresponding oxides, which along with their high solubility in organic solvents makes these compounds possible candidates as precursors for ceramic applications.

The binuclear compound PrCu(2-11)(2)(OII)(hfacac)₃, 5, and the tetranuclear one [La¹¹Cu¹¹(2-H)(2)(OII)(O₂CCF₃)₃]₂, 6, have been obtained stating form Cu(2-H)₂(H₂O) which acts as ligand toward one lanthanide centre. Structural analyses show that the trigonal bipyramidal geometry of the copper centre in the precursor is preserved in the

heterodinuclear complex but the nature of the donor atoms is now different.

The compound 6 consists of two dinuclear units of LaCu(2-H)(2)(μ-OH)(O₂CCF₃)₃ where the La(O₂CCF₃)₃ unit is linked to the copper(II) monomer unit via a hydroxo and a phenoxo bridge. The magnetic moment of 5 is slightly smaller than the theoretic value assuming that both Pr(III) and Cu(II) are noninteracting ions. At low temperature, antiferromagnetic interaction can be noticed.

Tripodal ligands 1,1,1-tris(((2-hydroxybenzyl) amino)methyl)ethane), 7, and tris (2-hydroxybenzylaminocihyl)amine, 8, are capable to bind a 3d an 4f metal ions simultaneously thanks to the flexibility of their arms. They can act in protonated or deprotonated form. The trinuclear cationic [LnNi2(7-3H)2]2 complexes have been obtained as a part of the following compounds: [LnNi₂(7-3H)₂(CH₃OH)₁₀(CH₃CH₂OH)₁₀ (H₂O)]ClO₄·0.5CH₃OH·0.5CH₃CH₂OH·4H₂O, [DyNi₂(7-3H)₂(CH₃OH)(H₂O)]ClO₄·CH₃OH·H₂O [YbNi₂(7-3H)₂(H₂O)]ClO₄·2.58H₂O and their structure resolved[6]. For example, the solid-state structure of [LaNi2(7-3H)2]2+ shows that La(III) is eight coordinated by two [7-3H]3 ligands, each of which is tridentate with respect to the La(III) ion and hexadentate with respect to one Ni(II) ion. Two solvent molecules complete the square antiprism coordination sphere around La(III).

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Each [7-3H]³ ligand encapsulates a Ni(II) ion via its three amine and three phenolato functions, rendering each Ni(II) coordination sphere approximately octahedral. Similar structures have been reported for the [DyNi₂(7-3H)₂]²⁺ and [YbNi₂(7-3H)₂(H₂O)]²⁺ cations. The magnetic behaviour of the compound containing [LaNi₂(7-3H)₂]²⁺cation is consistent with the presence of two magnetically isolated octahedral Ni(II) centres whereas the other two complexes show antiferromagnetic exchange interactions between the Ln(III) and the Ni(II) ions.

Isostructural complexes, [LnNi₂(8-3H)₂(CH₃OH)]X·mCH₃OH·nH₂O, where for Ln = Pr, X= ClO₄ and for Ln = Sm, Tb, Er, Lu X = NO₃ containing a trinuclear unit 10, have been obtained[7]. It has been established that each [Ni(8-3H)' unit acts as a tridentate ligand toward the Ln^{III} ion via two bridging and one nonbridging phenolate donors. In all of the structurally characterised complexes, Ln^{III} is sevenceordinated with flattened pentagonal bipyramidal geometry.

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3. CARBOXYLATE AND CARBOXYLATE DERIVATIVES AS LIGANDS

3.1 Monocarboxylate Ligands

The ability of carboxylate groups to bridge metal ions and thus forming polynuclear compounds is well known. However the carboxylate-bridged mixed metal complexes involving both 3d and 4f metal ions is enough limited. Complexes containing only carboxylate groups as ligand and those containing aditionally polydentate ligands have been obtained.

The centrosymmetric pentanuclear [Cu₃Gd₂(O₂CCH₂Cl)₁₂(H₂O)₃]·2H₂O, 11, complex bridged only by carboxylate groups has been reported[8]. Structural analyses have shown that cloroacetate anion acts as unidentate and bidentate ligand and that Gd(III) ion adopts an eight-coordinated distorted square-antiprism geometry.

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Cui et al[9] reported the syntheses of the heterometallic copper-lanthanide clusters Cu12La6(113- $OH)_{24}(\mu-O_2CCH_2Ci)_{12}(H_2O)_{18}(\mu_{12}-CiO_4)][(NO_3)_4$ (OH)]- $10H_2O$ and $Cu_{12}Nd_6(\mu_3-OH)_{24}(\mu-O_2CCCl_3)_{12}$ $(H_2O)_{18}(\mu_{12}\text{-ClO}_3)]\{O_2CCCl_3\}_5$. 22 H_2O using perchlorate anions a templates. All the compounds were studied by X-ray cristallography and it has been found that they contain the [Cu12Ln6(µ3-OH)24]18+ core of pseudo-cubic Oh symmetry. A μ_{12} -ClO₄ anion with the highest coordination number of twelve is encapsulated in this cluster. The complexes obey the Curie-Weiss law with 0 of -11.5 and -1.6 K for Cu12La6 and Cu12Nd6, respectively. The Cu₁₂Nd₆ cluster exhibit a very strong antiferromagnetic interaction between pairs of Cu(II) ions which overcome the actually ferromagnetic copper(II)-neodymium(III) ineraction, and Cu12Nd6 cluster exhibit an overall weak antiferromagnetic interaction. Similar species in which piridinoacetate and pyridinepropionate (pyb) bridges Cu(II-Ln(III) ions through carboxylate groups to form heteropolynuclear Cu12La6(#3type general species of the $OH)_{24}(Pyb)_{12}(H_2O)_n(CiO_4)](CiO_4)_{17}xH_2O$ have been reported.

Using $Mn_6O_2(C_4H_1O)$ as starting reagent, Benelli et al[10] obtained two isostructural Mn(111)Ln(111) pivalates, $[Gd_2Mn_2O_2(O_2CCMe)_3(HO_2CCMe)_2]CH_2Cl_2$ where Ln = Gd, Dy. The X ray structural studies reveal a $\{Gd_2(\mu_1-O)Mn_2(\mu_2-O)Gd\}$, 12, core based on a Mn(111) di- μ -oxo-bridged dimmer, each oxide further bridging to a Gd(111) centre. Each Mn(111) ion has a distorted octahedral environment and each Gd (III) ion is nine

coordinated with distorted capped square-antiprismatic geometry. Using a model based on a square with a metal at each corner, it has been calculated the exchange parameters for coupling between Mn(III) centre, Mn(III) and gadolinium(IIII) and gadolinium(III) centres, $J_2 = -62.91$, $J_1 = +2.44$ and $J_3 = -0.012$ cm⁻¹, respectively.

Among the compounds containing both carboxylate and amino function, betaines occupy a special place. They adopts the zwiterionic form and acts as ligand only through carboxylate oxygen donors. Two types of carboxylate bridged Culi2Lnili2 complexes formulated as [Cu₂Ln₂(bet)₁₀(H₂O)₂](ClO₄)₁₀·2H₂O, Gd Ln La, Ce. where $[Cu_2Ln_2(bet)_{12}(CiO_4)_2](CiO_4)_8$ where Ln = Gd, Sm and (trimethylammonioacetate) were bet = betaine. obtained[11]. The powder X-ray diffraction studies showed that compounds in the first series are isomorphous. Structural studies on monocrystals show that the La-Cu and Ce-Cu complexes contain a tetranuclear [Cu2Ln2(bet)10(H2O)2]10+ cation in which each of the Cu atom is quadruply bridged to a Ln(III) ion by the in-carboxylate groups into a dinuclear subunit. A pair of such dinuclear subunits is bridged by two carboxylate groups to form a tetranuclear cation. The two complexes [Cu2Ln2(bet)12(ClO4)2](ClO4)8 are isomorphous and their magnetic behaviour obeys the Curie-Weiss law, showing very weak antiferromagnetic interaction. Therefore, it may be concluded that shielding of the 4f electrons by the outer shell electrons very effectively precludes significant coupling interactions between the lanthanid 4f electrons and copper 3d electrons in a carboxylate-bridged system.

Yang et al[12] obtained two types of carboxylate-bridged copper(II)-lanthanide(III) complexes, [CuLn(C5H3N*CH2CO2*)s(H2O)s][ClO4]5·2H2O, 13, (Ln^{III} = La^{III}, Nd^{III}) and [Cu3Nd2(C5H3N*CH2CO2*)10(NO3)2(H2O)s][ClO4]16·4H2O using pyridinioacetate as ligand in an one-step reaction strongly affected by the pH of the solutions. Thus, at low pH, the dinuclear complex is formed and further aggregates to construct the larger pentanuclear cluster whereas at pH \geq 3.5, an octadecanuclear cluster is formed.

The octadecanuclear isomorphous clusters [Cu₁₂Ln₆(μ ₃-OH)₂₄(C₃H₃N[†]CH₂CO₂)₁₂(H₂O)₁₆(μ ₅NO₃)](PF₆)₁₀ (NO₃)₇· 12H₂O where Ln = Sm¹¹ or Gd¹¹ [13] and [Cu₁₂Ln₆(μ -OH)₂₄(C₅H₅NCH₂CO₂)₁₂(H₂O)₁₈(μ ₁₂-ClO₄)] (ClO₄)₁₇· nH₂O for Ln = Nd, Gd[14) have been obtained and their structural studies underline the role of the counterion in crystallization which, however, does not depend on the encapsulated anion. The structure of the

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Sm-Cu complex has shown Cu...Cu distances in the range of 3.36-3.48 and Cu...Sm separation of 3.48-3.57 Å whereas the Sm(III) atoms are separated at distances of 7.02-7.07 Å and that the $C_2H_3N^*CH_2CO_2^-$ ligand act uniquely in the μ -carboxylato-O-O' mode, each bridging a copper(II) and a lanthanoid(III) ion. The magnetic behaviour of the Cu-Gd complex has been explored and the global antiferromagnetic interaction with $C=0.00331~{\rm Kcm}^3{\rm moi}^{-1}$ and $\theta=-1.46~{\rm K}$ has been explained based on the structure of Sm-Cu complex as the differences between their core are minor. Thus, both a weak antiferomagnetic interaction between the Cu...Cu atoms and a weak ferromagnetic interaction between the Cu...Gd atoms has been concluded to coexist.

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Using $C_5H_5N^4CH_2CH_2CO_2^-$ as ligand, the clusters $[Cu_{12}Ln_6(\mu_1-H)_{24}(C_5H_5NCH_2CH_2CO_2)_{12}$ $(H_2O)_{16}(\mu_{12}-ClO_4)](ClO_4)_{17}-16H_2O$ where $Ln^{11}=Gd^{11}$,

Sm^{III} were obtained[15]. As in the previous reported $Cu_{12}Ln_6$ clusters, the perchlorate anion is used as template for the formation of the large polymetallic assemblies. The additional methylene group explains the presence of only ten of the $C_5H_5N^*CH_2CH_2CO_2^*$ ligands which act in the μ -carboxylato-O-O* mode, while the other two act in the carboxylato-O-O* mode.

3.2 Monocarboxylic amino-acid ligands

Taking advantage of the properties of the aminoacid ligands to bridge the metal centres, mixed-metal complexes have been designed and synthesized. Usually, the 3d-4f polymetallic compounds have been synthesized by using 3d metal complexes as ligands.

Starting from $[Ni(pro)_2]$, where pro stands for proline, as complex ligand, the complexes $[Ln(Ni(pro)_2)_6]X_3$ -6MeOH, where for Ln = Sm, $X = ClO_4$, BF_4 , PF_6 , I, NO_3 , [16] and for Ln = Eu, [17] $X = ClO_4$ were obtained. It has been established that in all the complexes, the six $Ni(pro)_2$ units are coordinated to the rare earth metal ion which thus arises the coordination number of twelve with icosahedral geometry.

The isomorphous heteronuclear complexes [LnCu₆(µ₃-OH)₃(HL)₂(L)₄] (ClO₄)₂-25H₂O. 14, where Ln = La - Ho and H₂L stands for aninodiacetic acid have been obtained[18, 19]. The structural analyses of the terbium(III) compound have shown that it is located in the centre of the trigonal prismatic cage formed by six Cu²⁺ ions. A ferromagnetic coupling between Tb¹⁺ and Cu²⁺ ions has been noticed at low temperatures. Similar effect has been found for [GdCu₆] compound whereas the magnetic behaviour of [DyCu₆], [HoCu₆], [NdCu₆]

and [PrCu₆] systems is affected by factors including Ln-Ln, Cu-Cu, Ln-Cu interactions, the ligand field effects of the Ln³⁺ ion and field saturation effects.

isomorfous complexes The [LnCuCl(NTA)(H2O)6]ClO4:H1O where Ln = La, Ce, Pr, Gd, Tb, Dy Ho, Er, Tm, and Lu, in which nitrilotriacetic anion act as a tripodal ligand have been obtained[20]. It has been found that the structure of the complexes is polymeric and strongly affected by the ionic radii of the lanthanide ion as well as by the nature of the For example the coordination counterion[21]. environment of the Gd(III) is nine and that of the Eu is eight. Except the La(III) compound, all the other exhibit an overall antiferromagnetic feature.

More rarely are the Mn-Ln and Co-Ln complexes. However, the heterometallic compounds Nd₂Mn₃(edta)₃(H₂O)₁₁·12H₂O, (15), and Gd₂Co₃(edta)₃(H₂O)₁₁·12H₂O have been reported and demonstrated that they are isomorphous consisting of a two-dimensional heterometallic sheet[22].

3.3. Dicarboxylate ligands

Discrete units and extended systems have been obtained by using dicarboxylate ligands. Extendend solids have been obtained by assembling lanthanide and copper ions in the 3D series of complexes $[Ln_2Cu_3(O(CH_2COOH)_2)_6(H_2O)_6.xH_2O]_n$, with Ln =Gd, Eu, Nd, Pr, Er[23]. Their structures have been resolved and it has been found that they all crystallize in the hexagonal systems. For example, the X-Ray studies of [Gd₂Cu₃{O(CH₂COOH)₂}₆·9H₂O], 16, show a complicated three-dimensional network structure in which the Gd3+ ion is nine coordinated with a tricapped trigonal prism arrangement and the copper(II) ion has a distorted square-planar coordination geometry[24]. It has been noted that the Gd-O(ether) bond is longer than Gd-O(carboxylate) which prove that the coordination ability of carboxylato group is much stronger than that of the ether oxygen atom.

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Extending the works, Rizzi et al[25] reported the complexes of the isostructural series of polymers as $\{(Cu_3Ln_2(O(CH_2COO)_2)_6\}\cdot 12H_2O\}_n$ formulated where Ln = Dy, Ho, Er. As in the previous compound, the Ln(lll) ion coordinates to the two inner carboxylate oxygens and to the ether oxygen of the three symmetryrelated O(CH2COO)22 anions to define a tricapped trigonal prismatic environment. Each Cu atom coordinates to the remaining outer carboxylates oxygens belonging to four O(CH2COO)22 anions and to two aqua ligands. The molar magnetic susceptibility were determined for the obtained compounds and bellow 50K antiferromagnetic interaction between copper ions in the extended structures has been proved. Also, the TX(T) = f(T) curves profiles indicate that at low temperatures antiferromagnetic Ln - Cu (Ln = Dy, Ho, Er, Y) interactions are operative in the corresponding compounds.

Oxalate ion is a god candidate in preparing complexes which can act as ligands in order to obtain polynuclear complexes. Many oxalate-bridged complexes are well known for their ability to transmit electronic effects between paramagnetic centres separated from each other by more than 5 Å. It is well known that chromium (III) complexes are quite inert toward ligand substitution, allowing a good control over the reaction products. For this reason chromium-oxalate complexes have often been used as building blocks in

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assembling bi- and three dimensional networks.

Polymeric 3d-4f coordination solids with stoichiometries [Ln¹¹¹Cr¹¹¹(ox)₃(H₂O)₄]₂·nH₂O, where Ln = La, Ce, Pr, Nd, and n varies from 7 to 12, $[Eu^{III}(Cr^{III}(ox)_3] \cdot 3(CH_3)_2 \cdot SO \cdot 2H_2O$ and [Tb^{III}Cr^{III}(ox)₃]-4(CH₃)₂NCHO·H₂O have been obtained starting from tris(oxalate)chromium(III), [Crit(ox)3]3-(ox²=C₂O₄²) as building block [26]. The crystal structures of $\{L_n^{111}Cr^{111}(ox)_3(H_2O)_4\}_2\cdot 12H_2O$, $L_n = L_n$, Ce show extended molecular array based on two types of symmetrically independent molecular chains with a ladder-type motif. Within the infinite ladder molecule, each Cr atom is surrounded by six oxygen atoms from three oxalate ligands and has slightly distorted octahedral coordination geometry. The Ln metal ions adopt a coordination number of ten, again with six oxygen atoms from the three bridging oxalate ligands and 4 additional oxygen atoms from coordinated water molecules. The study of the magnetic exchange interaction reveals the occurrence ٥ſ antiferromagnetic type interaction for Ce. Pr and Nd compounds facilitated by the convenient distances between the paramagnetic centres.

Using unsym-cis-[Cr(eddp)(ox)] as a building block, where eddp stands for chylenediamine-N,N-dipropionate and serves as "end cap" ligand, the heteronuclear complex [Nd{Cr(eddp)(ox)}_3(H₂O)₃]-12H₂O, sketched in 17, complex was synthesised[27].

Binuclear [Dy{Co(NTA)(μ -ox)}(H₂O)₇]Cl) and trinuclear K[Dy{Co(NTA)(μ -ox)}₂(H₂O)₅], 18, complexes were obtained using [Co(NTA)(ox)]² as building block[28].

Heterobinuclear complexes [(acac)₂Cr(ox)Ln(HBpz₃)₂] where Ln = Eu, Gd, Tb, Yb. Lu have been obtained starting from [Cr(acac)₂(ox)] and [Ln(HBpz₃)₂] as precursors, in molar ratio of 1:1[29]. The crystal structure of Cu-Yb compound shows that the Cr atom is located in a distorted octahedral environment and the Yb(III) ion has an eight-coordinate distorted square antiprismatic coordination geometry. The magnetic susceptibility data show a weak antiferromagnetic interaction between Gd(III) and Cr(III).

3.4. Amide as ligands

Oxamide and their derivatives have often been used to obtain discrete polynuclear complexes. They form stable complexes with some first row metal ions which thanks to the presence of the free coordination sites can further act as complex ligands. The copper(II) complexes υſ N.N'-bis(alkylaminoalkyl)oxamides. have been used as complex ligands to obtain binuclear complexes Cu(L)Ln(phen)(ClO₄)₃, 19 for Ln = Eu. Gd. Tb. Dy. Ho. Er[30] and 20 for Ln = La, Nd Gd. Dy. Ho. Er, Tb, and their structures have been formulated on the basis of spectral and magnetic studies[31]. The magnetic susceptibility measurements of Ca-Gd compound of the type 20 indicate a weak ferromagnetic interaction between the copper(II) and Gd(III) ions with J = 2.25cm⁻¹ while that of the type 19 shows antiferromagnetic interaction between Gd(III) and Cu(II).

The discrete trinuclear compound $\{Gd(21)_2(H_2O)_4\}[NO_3]_32H_2O$ has been obtained using the copper(II) precursor 21 as precursor. Structural analyses show the eight-coordinated gadolinium(III) ion and square-planar environment of the copper(II) ion. The Gd...Cu distances of 5.684 and 5.681 Å as well as the angle between the copper and gadolinium ions of 85.22(1)° lead to the shortest distances between the copper ions. These distances might explain the found values $J_{Gd-Cu} = -0.77(3)$ and $J_{GCu-Cu} = 0.42(4)$ cm⁻¹[32].

complexes, Heterotrinuclear $[Ni(L)(Ln(HBpz_1))_2]$, Ln = Eu, Tb or Yb and $[Ni(L)(Ln[HB(pz)_3]_2)_2]$, Ln = Sm to Lu, have been prepared when the complex ligand [NiL]2- = 23 and 24, respectively, were used. The two free O,O' sites of the complex ligands allow the formation of stable trinuclear Ln^{III}-Ni^{II}-Ln^{III} structures when the tripodal ligand HB(pz); = hydrotris(pyrazol-1-yl)borate was used[33]. [(23)Yb₂] and The crystal structure analyses of [(24)Lu2], 25, were performed and the distances Ni...Yb of 5.580 Å and Ni...Lu of 5.590 Å were found to be shorter than that in some Cu-Ln-oxamate complexes. Spectral studies as well as magnetic measurements support the square-planar environment of the nickel(II) ion. Magnetic studies on the [(24)Gd2] reveal the values of J = -0.002 cm⁻¹ and g =2.03 which means that no paramagnetic between the two interaction gadolinium(III) centres exist.

Pentanuclear Cu-Ln complexes of formula $\{Ln[22]_2[(22)(H_2O)]_2\}$ [ClO₄]₃·7H₂O (Ln = Dy, Gd), $\{Ln[22][(22)(H_2O)]_3\}$ [PF₆]₃·4.5H₂O (Ln = Ho, Gd) have been reported and it has been found that these are isomorphous[34]. For the Gd complexes the magnetic susceptibility data have shown that the ground-state spin

for the [GdillCull4] unit is S=11/2, the Gdill-Cull interaction being ferromagnetic.

4. Pyridine derivatives

pyridonate complexes copper The $([Cu_6Na(mhp)_{12}](NO_3)$, where mhp = 6-methyl-2pyridonate, and [Cu2L4] where L = 6-cloro-2-pyridonate (chp), 6-bromo-2-pyridonate (bhp) or 6-fluoro-2pyridonate(flip) have been used as ligands toward lanthanide(III) metal ions to obtain heterometallic complexes[35]. The studies reveal that the nuclearity and structure of the obtained compounds depend on the nature of the used pyridone, the solvent and the specific lanthanid involved. Thus, depending on the nature of the solvent, the complexes [Cu₃Ln(chp)₅(NO₃)] (Ln = Gd, Pr, Nd, Sm, Er) and [Cu₃Yb(chp)₈(Hchp)(NO₃)₂], 26, [Cu3Ln(bhp)2(NO3)] (Ln = Sm, Gd with Cu3Ln core and $[\{CuLn(\mu-OH)(chp)_2(NO_3)_2(H_2O)_2\}_2]$, (Ln = Yb,Er), $[\{CuYb(\mu\cdotOMe)(chp)_2(NO_3)_2(MeOH)_2\}_2]$ ({CսLո(µ- $({CuEr(\mu-OH)(bhp)_2(NO_3)_2(Hbhp)_2}_2),$ $OMe)(bhp)_2(NO_3)_2(MeOH)_n)_2$ (Ln = Pr, Nd, n=3; Gd, $[Ln_2Cu_2(OMe)_2(mhp)_4(NO_3)_4(IImhp)_2(MeOH)_4]$, (Ln = La, Ce, Nd) and $[Ln_2Cu_2(OMe)_2(mhp)_4(NO_3)_4(Iimhp)_2(MeOH)_2]$, (Ln = Gd, Dy, Yb) with Cu_2Ln_2 cores have been obtained [36].

A somewhat unique high-nuclearity complex [Cu₁₂La₅(µ₃-OH)₂₄(NO₃)_{21,2}

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(Hmhp)₁₃(H₂O)_{5.5}](NO₃)_{2.8}·2Hmhp has been reported. Structural analyses show the presence of the Cu₁₂O₆ core and the arrangement of the copper(II) ion in the vertices of a cuboclahedron which further is located inside a cube of eight lanthanum ions.

The compounds of stoichiometry [Ni₂Er₂(chp)₆(NO₃)₄(CH₃CN)₂], (28), and [NEt₄]₂ [Co₂Dy₂OH(chp)₆(NO₃)₅] have been reported[37]. The structural analyses show that the nickel compound is centrosymmetric and contains the central Er₂O₂ ring bridged to peripheral nickel atoms through six chp ligands.

The Cu-Gd trinuclear mixed metal compound [Cu₂Gd(L)₂(NO₃)₂]NO₃, 29, where L² is the 2,6-di(acetoacetyl)pyridine anion, has been obtained[38] and a ferromagnetic interaction between Cu¹¹ and Gd¹¹ ions corresponding to the M value of 9.05 NB at 50 kG, has been observed, in agreement with the expected value for ferromagnetically coupled Cu₂Gd (Sr²9/2).

6. Schiff bases ligands

Polynuclear complexes, containing different donor groups along with the imines ones and with various shapes can be obtained. They can be synthesised by a direct metal - ligand way but also by a metal directed one. Open as well as closed systems can be obtained. The carbonyl compounds form the "head" of

the ligands and diamines are the straps which bond the carbonyl groups belonging either to the same head or to a different one.

6.1. Tetradentate Schiff bases

The most comon ligands belong to the type of (SALEN). N,N'-ethylenebis(salicylaldimine) formula the complexes oſ Heteropolynuclear $2Cu(30)\cdot 0.5C_2H_5NO_2$, [(Cu(30);Gd(H2O)3](ClO4)3* [39]. $[(Cu(31))_2Gd(H_2O)_3](ClO_4)_3\cdot 2Cu(32)$ $[Y(hfa)_3Cu(30)],$ [Gd(hfa)3Cu(30)], [Gd(hfa)₃Cu(30)(Meim)], [La(hfa)₃(H₂O)Cu(30)] and [La(hfa);Ni(30)], where Ln = La, Gd, hfa = Meim hexafluoroacetylacetonato and methylimidazole [40], [CuGd(33)(NO₃)₁H₂O].Cu(33) [41], $Ln(L)_nX_3$ mH₂O where for L =Ni(32), Cu(32); X = NO_3 , NCS, Cl, ClO_4 ; n = 1, 2; m = 0 - 4, [42] $(Cu(32))_2Ln(H_2O)(NO_3)_3\cdot 2EtNO_2$ where Ln = Eu(HI), Gd(III))[43] have been obtained starting from the corresponding 3d-Schiff base precursor and the corresponding lanthanide complexes. In all the cases, the 3d metal ion occupies the N2O2 donor site and the oxygen atom bridges the two metal centres. geometry of the 3d metal ions is preserved whereas the

| | n | R ₁ | R ₂ |
|----|---|------------------|-----------------|
| 30 | 2 | Н | H |
| 31 | 2 | Н | CH ₃ |
| 32 | 3 | Н | Н |
| 33 | 2 | OCH ₃ | H |

coordination number of the lanthanide ion is fulfiled by water molecules or by the counterions. In most of the cases, the complexes containing similar metal ions are isostructural. The study of the magnetic properties of the binuclear Cu-Gd complexes have shown that the copper(II) and gadolinium(III) ions are coupled in a ferromagnetic fashion with isotropic coupling constants of the order of five to seven wave numbers. The two copper(II) salicylaldiminate molecules in the unit cell of the [(Cu(30))₂Gd(H₂O)₃](ClO₄)₃·2Cu(30)·0.5C₂H₅NO₂ complex complicate the magnetic behaviour as they are rather well separated from the GdCu₂ units. Thus, an

additional contribution to the magnetic susceptibility of the material can be noticed. Also, the presence of the triplet in the EPR spectrum of (Cu(32))₂Eu(H₂O)(NO₃)₃·2EtNO₂ proves the existence of a coupling between the two copper ions.

The heterotrinuclear complex 34 has been obtained [44] by transmetalation of the central 3d metal ion in the homotrinuclear precursor that contains the salen-type chelating moieties whose straps include oxime groups. The Zn(II) ions bind selectively to the two SALEM moieties and the europium(III) ion in the central cavity.

lanthanide-transition one-dimensional The ωf squares, heterometallic chains $\{LnNi_2L_3(HL)(DMF)_4(ClO_4)_4\cdot S\}_{\infty}$, 35, where Ln = Gdand Tb and HL stands for the Schiff base obtained by the condensation of 2-pyridylaldehyde with isonicotinic hydrazide N-oxide, S= solvent) and {LnNi₂L₄- $(DMF)_4(ClO_4)_3\cdot S$ where Ln = Dy have been reported. The polynuclear compounds were synthesized by selfassembly of the well-designed orthogonal metalloligands [Ni(HL)L] and the Ln(III) ions, which act as the bridging units and nodes respectively[45]. The X-ray structure of Gd compound show that the central Gd(III) ion has a slightly distorted square antiprism coordination geometry. The magnetic measurements for Gd(III) compound show that, the complex behaves as a ferromagnetic chain with antiferromagnetic interactions between the neighbouring paramagnetic centres with uncompensated spins. In addition, upon further cooling, the secondary effects such as zero-field splitting of the Ni(II) ions and/or interchain antiferromagnetic interactions occur.

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The first heteropolynuclear metallomesogens [La(NO)₃{Cu(X-SALEN)}₂], 36, and [Gd(NO)₃Cu(X-SALEN)] that contain both a transition metal ion and a trivalent lanthanide ion have been reported[46].

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The compounds exhibit a hexagonal columnar mesophase over a wide temperature-range with rather low melting temperatures. Although the clearing point could be observed for the parent copper(II) complex, the mixed f-d complexes decomposed in the high-temperature part of the mesomorphic domain before clearing.

6.2 Compartmental ligands

Dicarbonyl compounds forming the "head" of a Schiff base ligand[47, 48] suffer condensations with a

wide range of diamines including, dialkylalkanediamines which make up the lateral units. An additional donor atom at the head unit bridges two metal ions. The appropriate chose of the amine straps allows selective coordination of metal ions of different size.

The types of compartmental ligands have been designed according to Scheme I. The first type, a macrocyclic one, results from a [2+2] condensation of heads and lateral units. The other two types are acyclic ligands: one of them, an "end-off", the form B, in which one donor bridge is removed, and the second, a "side-off" form C, in which one non-donor bridge is removed.

A large variety of complexes with these shape have been synthesized and when the two coordination sites are occupied by different metal ions, heterodinuclear end-off

side-off Scheme 1

complexes result. Ligands containing phenolato group as an anionic oxygen donor are most comon for 3d-4f metal complexes. Such a ligand is hindered by the weak acidity of the hydroxyl group (pK_s of phenol – 10) and since the aqueous lanthanide ions are themselves weak Lewis acids which precipitates as hydroxidex above pH 8, they generally cannot complete with the hydrogen ion for complexation of phenols in water. The condensation can occur a half stage when open chain ligands are formed.

6.2.1. Open-chain ligands.

The complexes $[CoLa(37-4H)(CH_3OH)(NO_3)]$, $[CoNd(37-4H)(H_2O)_2(NO_3)]$ and $[CoGd(37-4H)(H_2O)(NO_3)]$, [49] CuLn(37-2H)(NO₃)₃·0.5CH₃OH (Ln = La, Nd, Eu, Gd or Ho), CuGd(40-2H)(NO₃)₃·Me₂CO have been obtained[50].

complexes [MLn(39-Heterobinuclear $(2H)(X)(solv)_n$ (M = Cu or Ni, Ln = La, Eu, Lu, [51], X = NO_3 or Cl, solv = H_2O , methanol or dimethylsulphoxide (dmso)) have been obtained starting from corresponding precursor complexes[52]. Also, rare oxovanadium(IV)-4f mixed-metal compound, $VOLn(39-2H)(NO_3)(H_2O)_{2.5}$ where Ln = La, Eu, Gdhave been reported[53]. In all the cases, the 3d metal ion occupies the endogenous N2O2 coordination site and Ln(III) ions are located in the exogenous O₄-coordination site.

The complexes containing gadolinium(III) and the 3d metal ions zinc(II) or nickel(II) and deprotonated Schiff bases 39, 46 or 47 as ligands have been obtained[54]. The complexes have been characterized by infrared, H-NMR, EPR and electronic spectra in order to formulate their structure. It has been proved that the nickel ion has a square planar geometry while zinc ion has a distorted tetrahedral geometry. These differences affect the magnetic moments of the complexes although the both 3d metal ions are diamagnetic. The differences are more visible when the lateral strap of the ligand is more rigid, like in 47 or 48[55].

| | RI | z | R2 |
|----|--|-------------------|-----------------|
| 39 | -CH ₂ -CH ₂ - | Н | Н |
| 40 | -CH ₂ -C(CH ₃) ₂ - | H | CH ₃ |
| 41 | -CH ₂ -CH ₂ - | H | CHy |
| 42 | -CH2-C(CH3)2-CH2- | H | CH ₂ |
| 43 | -CH ₂ -CH(CH ₁)-CH ₂ - | H | CH ₃ |
| 44 | CH2-CH(CH3)-CH2 | Н | CH ₃ |
| 45 | -CH ₂ -CH(СООН)- | Н | CH ₃ |
| 46 | ·CH ₂ -CH(CH ₃)- | H | H |
| 47 | -C6H1- | H | H |
| 48 | -C ₆ H ₄ - | CVCH ₃ | Н |

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Costes et al[56] obtained the discrete binuclear complex Ni₂Gd(42-2H)(H₂O)(NO₃)₃. As in the previous cases, the nickel occupies the inner coordination site and has a distorted octahedral environment with the N₂O₂ atoms of the ligand almost coplanar and the apical positions occupied by the oxygen atoms of two water molecules. The profile of the curve X_MT vs T indicates ferromagnetic interactions between the two metal centres.

The binuclear Fe^{II}-Gd^{III}) complexes Fe(42-2H)(CH₃OH)Gd(NO₃)₃(CH₃OH)₂, Fe(43-2H)(CH₃)₂CO)Gd(NO₃)₃, Fe(43-2H)((CH₃)₂CO)Gd(NO₃)₃ have been obtained[57]. The experimental magnetic susceptibility and magnetization data indicate the occurrence of weak Fe^{II}-Gd^{III} ferromagnetic interactions.

Heterometallic compounds containing deprotonated ligands 41, 42, and 44 have been obtainined for Cu-Gd[58], Zn-Pr[69] pairs of ions. The Zn-Pr complexes have been obtained starting from Pr(III) — Schiff bases complexes, Pr(41-2H))(NO₃)₃·H₂O, Pr(44-2H)(NO₃)·H₂O·CH₃OH as precursors. The structural studies show that the rare earth metal ion occupies the O₂O₂ coordination site as in the precursors while zinc(II) ion penetrate the N₂O₂ sites.

Madalanet al[60] obtained [{Cu(40-2H))₂Gd(TCNQ)₂]·TCNQ-CH₃OH·2CH₃CN, TCNQ stands for anion of 7,7,8,8- tetracyano-pquinodimethane. The compound presents an infinite chain structure in running along the crystallographic axis. This arrangement is favoured by the presence of a TCNQ unit which coordinate to Gd3* and to one TCNQ that further binds two adjacent Cu2+ as can be seen in the formula 49. The value of X_MT at room temperature is lower than that expected for six uncoupled spin carriers: two copper(II) ions (S = 1/2), one gadolinium(III) ion (S= 7/2), and three TCNQ' radicals (S = 1/2). This can be explained by strong antiferromagnetic coupling of the six stacked TCNQ" radicals connecting the [Cu2Gd] units. Also, a two - dimensional coordination polymer of the formula

[CuPr(44-2H)(NO₃)₂(IN)] where IN stands for isonicotinate ion, has been obtained[61] using CuPr(44-2H)(NO₃)₃ as building block interconnected through the pyridyl moieties of the isonicotinato bridges.

Additional potential donor groups may be present like in 45. The heterometallic compound CuGd(45-3H)(NO₃)₂·2H₂O, has been obtained and structural investigation has demonstrated that the pendant carboxylate group is involved in the intermolecular links

to Gd(III) ion in a neighbouring unit, thus favouring the ferromagnetic interaction between Cu(II) and Gd(IIII) belonging to the different units.

The Schiff base containing only an imino group, 50, has

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been successfully used to design and obtain 3d-4f metal complexes. Thus, [CuGd(50-2H)(NO₃)₂·CH₃OH]₂, 51, has been obtained and X ray structural analyses have shown its dimeric nature.

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Kido et al[62] reported the synthesis of a series of tetranuclear 3d-4f compounds of the general formula [M(50-2H)Ln(hfac)2]2, where Mi, Lniii pair of ions are Cu, Eu; Cu, Gd; Cu, Tb; Cu, Dy; Ni, Eu; Ni, Gd; Ni, Tb or Ni, Dy and Hhfac = hexasluoroacetylacetone by assembling K[M(50-3H) and lanthanoid complexes precursors. The powder X-ray diffraction show that complexes belonging to each of the series Cull-Lnill and Ni^{II}-Ln^{III} has been found to be isomorphous. The crystal structures of the Cu-Gd and Cu-Tb complexes showed the presence of the cyclic cylindrical arrangenments of the tetranuclear Cu2Ln2 units in which the copper(II) complexes act as bridging ligand-complexes to the two adjacent rare earth ions. It has been established that the 3d and 4f magnetic ions are arranged alternately and have suitable molecular design to produce a large magnetic moment and a large magnetic anisotropy. The temperature dependent magnetic susceptibilities and the field magnetic magnetizations have been measured for four pairs of Cu¹¹2Ln¹¹¹2 and Ni¹¹2 Ln¹¹¹2, in which compound Ni¹¹2 Ln¹¹¹2 containing diamagnetic Ni¹¹ ion was used as reference to evaluate the Culi-LnIII magnetic interaction following the empirical approach developed by Kahn et al[63]. The magnetic interaction between copper(II) and either Eu(III), Gd(III), Tb(III) or Dy(III) ions was found to be ferromagnetic.

The reaction of the mononuclear chelates [M(L-2H)] with the required rare earth metal salts, in the presence of LiOH, resulted in the heterodinuclear

complexes of the general formula [Ln(OH)M(L)] nH₂O, where M = Cu or Ni and for L = 52, Ln = La-Eu[64] and for L = 53, Ln = La-Lu[65]. In the 3d precursors the metal ion occupies the inner compartment. Spectral data show that the 3d metal ions preserve their position and are almost square planar. These data corroborated by the magnetic moments show that the divalent cations are unaffected by the presence of the lanthanide cation in the neighbouring cavity. For example, all the nickel - spin paired lanthanide(III) complexes are diamagnetic while the complexes with spin-unpaired lanthanide(III) cations exhibit magnetic moments due to the lanthanide ion.

6.2.2. Cyclic compartmental ligands

Cyclic Schiff base systems[66] are of the type reported bellow (Scheme 2). The type A results in 1:1

Scheme 2 Schematic representation of the [1+1] and [2+2] Schiff base macrocycles

condensation (termed [1+1] macrocycles) of precursors whereas the type B is formed when the precursors are in 2:2 molar ratio ([2+2] macrocycles).

The metal complexes of the [1+1] are mononuclear whereas [2+2] macrocycles may be mono- or bi-nuclear in nature. As the diamine chain became longer a [1+1] condensation is preferred. The head units consist of molecules in which carbonyl groups are included in an aliphatic chain or are bonded to an unsaturated heterocycle. Schiff bases having aromatic head units and rigid aromatic lateral units have been also reported.

| L | Z | RI | R2 |
|----|-----------------|---|---|
| 54 | CI | -(CH ₂) ₂ -NH-(CH ₂) ₂ - | -(CH ₂ -) ₂ -NH-(CH ₂) ₂ - |
| 55 | H | (CH ₂) ₂ N(C ₂ H ₄) ₂ N(CH ₂) ₃ | (CH ₂) ₃ N(C ₂ H ₄) ₂ N(CH ₂) ₃ |
| 56 | CH ₃ | -C ₆ H ₄ - | -C ₁ H ₂ - |
| 57 | CH ₃ | -C ₆ H ₄ - | -C _a H _a - |
| 58 | CI | -C ₆ H ₄ - | •C ₂ H ₄ • |

The 3d - 4f heterometallic complexes with compartmental ligands have been obtained both by direct metal-ligand route as well as by metal directed templare one. It is well known that lanthanide(III) ions are effective template agents in the synthesis of macrocycles particularly in the preparation of mono-, bi- and polynuclear compounds[67]. For example, template condensation of [N,N'-phenylene-bis(3-formyl-5chlorosalicylideneiminato]copper(II) with 1,2-diaminoethane in the presence of La(NO3)3 6H2O lead to Cu₂La(58-3H)(NO₃)₂(OH). A second route consists of the reaction between preformed ligands 56 or 58 with copper(II) salt. This second route needs special conditions as a mismatch between the ionic radii of the rare earth ions and the N2O2 cavity exist. Actually, structural analyses have show that the lanthanide ions

are situated above or below the plane. The proposed structure involves a sandwiched ianthanide ion by the vacant N_2O_2 site of the two CuL entities. The complex is labile in solution which can be explained by the poor coordination to the La(III) ion

The binuclear complexes [LnNiL]Cl₃, (59), Ln = La(III), Cc(III), Pr(III), Nd(III), Sm(III), or Eu(III) have been obtained in a stepwise synthetic strategy following the template effect of lanthanide ions. In the first stage, N,N'-bis(3-formyl-5-methylsalicylidene)-

ethylenediaminato]nickel(II) has been obtained which further, leads to the product in a template reaction around La with and 2-hydroxypropylene-1,3diamine[68]. Spectral studies reveal that the complexes have a similar structure and thermal behaviour studies show that the rate of decomposition process increases along the lanthanide ion series thus suggesting the poor match of the smaller Ln3+ ions with the coordinating compartment of the ligand. The X-ray crystal structure of {LaNiL}Cl3 indicates the essentially planar backbone of the ligand and the asymmetry of the coordination environment of La(III) ion. The 2D 'H NMR techniques and 13C NMR spectroscopy support the idea that the solid state structure is preserved in solution.

Asymmetric compartmental macrocycles containing additional donor atoms have been used to obtain heterodinuclear complexes. Vigato et al[69] obtained the asymmetrical ligand 60 which contains a crown-ether compartment appropriate to include a rare earth ion and a N_2O_2 coordination site which locate the 3d metal ion. The heterodinuclear complex MLa(60-211)(Cl)₂(OH)-nH₂O (M = Cu, n=1; M = Ni, n =2), have

been obtained when La(H₂L_C)Cl₃ reacted with the appropriate metal sait.

Heterodinuclear complexex ions 61 and 62, where Ln = La³⁺, Dy³⁺, Gd³⁺ have been obtained as perchlorates, acetates or nitrates, starting from the homodinuclear lanthanide complexes, Ln₂(HL)(X), as precursors and copper(II) salts[70]. The nature of the complexes has been evidenced by scaning electron microscopy and EDX analyses. It has to be noted that the heterodinuclear dysprosium(III) precursor and the Dy₂-copper heterotrinuclear one have a similar magnetic

R Z
61 -CH₂-CH₂- -Cl
62 -CH₂-C(CH₃)₂- -Cl

moment at room temperature, of ~15.5 µB indicative of an antiferromagnetic exchange between paramagnetic ions, whereas in Cu-La₂ complexes, the magnetic contribution is given only by copper(II) ions in an interpolynuclear antiferromagnetic exchange interaction.

6.2.3. Criptates

Qiu-Yun Chen et all[71] synthesized in two steps the d-f heteronuclear Robson-type cryptate [GdNiL(DMF)](ClO₄)₂, where L stands for 63. The first step involves the formation of the mononuclear Gd(III) cryptate precursor by the condensation of tris(2-aminocthyl)amine with 2,6-diformyl-4-clorophenol in the presence of Gd³⁺ ion whereas in the second one, the Gd(III) complex was reacted with nickel(II) perclorate. Actually, the second step referes to the substitution of one water molecule encapsulated in a mononuclear precursor complex [Gd(H₃L)(NO₃)(H₂O)](ClO₄)₂ by Ni²⁺ ion at controlled pH conditions. Magnetic

measurements proved that the interaction between Ni and Gd is ferromagnetic with g = 1.99, J = 0.56 cm⁻¹.

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