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# [*N*,*N*'-Bis(5-bromosalicylidene)-1,3diaminopropane]nickel(II) and [*N*,*N*'-bis(5-chlorosalicylidene)-1,3-diaminopropane]copper(II)

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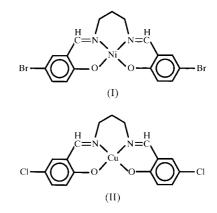
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The title compounds,  $\{4,4'-dibromo-2,2'-[1,3-propanediylbis-(nitrilomethylidyne-N)\}$ diphenolato- $O,O'\}$ nickel(II), [Ni(C<sub>17</sub>-H<sub>14</sub>Br<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)], and  $\{4,4'-dichloro-2,2'-[1,3-propanediylbis(nitrilomethylidyne-N)\}$ diphenolato- $O,O'\}$ copper(II), [Cu(C<sub>17</sub>-H<sub>14</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)], lie on crystallographic twofold axes. In both structures, the metal coordination sphere is a tetrahedrally distorted square plane formed by the four-coordinate N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> donor set of the Schiff base imine–phenol ligands. In the Ni compound, the Ni–O and Ni–N distances are 1.908 (3) and 1.959 (4) Å, respectively, while in the Cu compound, the Cu–O and Cu–N distances are 1.907 (2) and 1.960 (2) Å, respectively. The two Schiff base moieties, which themselves are nearly planar, are inclined at an angle of 29.26 (7)° for the Ni compound and 29.26 (5)° for the Cu compound.

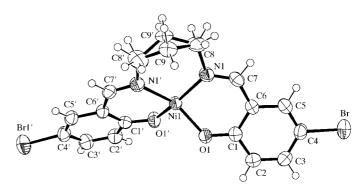
## Comment

Metal derivatives of Schiff bases have been extensively studied, and nickel(II) and copper(II) complexes play a major role in both synthesis and structural research (Garnovskii *et al.*, 1993). Several complexes of salicylideneiminato (Kessissoglou *et al.*, 1987, 1992; Bhatia *et al.*, 1981; Chen *et al.*, 1989; Calligaris *et al.*, 1972; Yao *et al.*, 1997) and 2-hydroxy-1-naphthaldimine derivatives (Elerman *et al.*, 1996; Elerman, Elmali, Svoboda & Fuess, 1998; Cariati *et al.*, 1985) have been studied. Recently, we studied the structure of the copper(II) complex of N,N'-bis(5-bromo-2-hydroxybenzylidine)-1,3-propanediamine (Kabak *et al.*, 1999). We report here the results of the reactions of nickel(II) with the tetradentate ligand N,N'-bis(5-bromo-2-hydroxybenzylidine)-1,3-propanediamine and copper(II) with the tetradentate ligand N,N'-bis(5-bromo-2-hydroxybenzylidine)-1,3-prop

bis(5-chloro-2-hydroxybenzylidine)-1,3-propanediamine, to form monomeric Schiff base complexes of nickel(II) and copper(II).



The structures of [Ni(C17H14Br2N2O2)], (I), and [Cu-(C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>14</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)], (II), are isomorphous. Both compounds have crystallographic twofold axes passing through the metal ions. The C9 atoms of compounds (I) and (II) are disordered about the twofold axis and not at the special position. The disorder observed in compounds (I) and (II) was also observed in similar monomer compounds (Kabak et al., 1999; Akhtar & Drew, 1982). The molecules of (I) and (II) have the cis form as imposed by the geometry of the tetradentate ligand. In both structures, the metal ion has a tetrahedrally distorted square-planar coordination geometry. The dihedral angles between the  $MN_2$  plane and the  $MO_2$  plane (M = Ni or Cu) are 36.1 (2)° for (I) and 36.19 (16)° for (II). In compound (I), the two distances Ni-O of 1.908 (3) Å and Ni-N of 1.959 (4) Å are both larger than the comparable distances of 1.829 (mean Ni–O) and 1.859 Å (mean Ni–N) in N,N'ethylenebis(salicylideneiminato)nickel (Shkol'nikova et al., 1970) and 1.849 (2) (mean Ni-O) and 1.840 (2) Å (mean Ni-N) for N,N'-ethylenebis[(2-hydroxy-1-naphthyl)methaniminato]nickel(II) (Akhtar, 1981). In compound (II), the Cu-O bond length of 1.907 (2) Å is in good agreement with values found in similar structures (Akhtar & Drew, 1982; Yao et al., 1997). The Cu-N bond, 1.960 (2) Å, is longer than the Cu-O distances and a similar difference was noted in the structure of bis(N-methylsalicylideneiminato)copper (Lingafelter et al.,



### Figure 1

The molecular structure and atomic labelling scheme of (I). Displacement ellipsoids are plotted at the 50% probability level and all disordered atoms are shown (*ORTEP*-3; Farrugia, 1997).

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 $R_{\rm int} = 0.027$ 

 $\theta_{\rm max} = 25.97^{\circ}$ 

 $h = -26 \rightarrow 26$ 

 $k = -10 \rightarrow 0$ 

 $l = -11 \rightarrow 3$ 

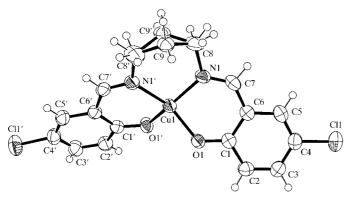
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frequency: 120 min

intensity decay: 2.0%

1961). The slight increase in metal-to-nitrogen bond distances in (I) and (II) may be attributed to the steric hindrance of the bulkier trimethylene group between the N atoms.

The atoms with the greatest deviation from the coordination planes [N1, O1, N1<sup>i</sup> and O1<sup>i</sup>; symmetry code: (i) 1 - x, y,  $\frac{1}{2} - z$ ] are O1 at 0.458 (3) Å for (I) and 0.460 (2) Å for (II). The unique half of the Schiff base ligands of compounds (I) and (II) are reasonably planar. In (I), the maximum deviation from the plane defined by atoms O1, N1, C1-C9 and Br is 0.297 (5) Å for the N1 atom. In (II), the maximum deviation from the plane defined by atoms O1, N1, C1-C9 and Cl is 0.295 (3) Å for the N1 atom. However, the whole ligands are not planar, since the two halves are twisted with respect to one another. The least-squares planes through each half of the molecules are inclined at an angle of 29.26 (7)° for (I) and  $29.26 (5)^{\circ}$  for (II). In the free ligand of compound (I), the same interplanar angle is 66.17 (7)° (Elerman, Elmali, Kabak & Svoboda, 1998).



#### Figure 2

The molecular structure and atomic labelling scheme of (II). Displacement ellipsoids are plotted at the 50% probability level and all disordered atoms are shown (ORTEP-3; Farrugia, 1997).

All bond distances and angles in the title compounds are within the ranges found for related derivatives (Riley et al., 1986; Zamian et al., 1995; Schmidt et al., 1996).

## Experimental

N,N'-Bis(5-bromo-2-hydroxybenzylidene)-1,3-propanediamine was prepared by condensation of 5-bromosalicylaldehyde (10 mmol, 2.01 g) and 1,3-diaminopropane (5 mmol, 0.37 g) in ethanol (70 ml). The reaction mixture was stirred for 3 h and the yellow precipitate was collected by filtration and then washed with cold ethanol. Next, nickel(II) acetate tetrahydrate (1 mmol, 0.249 g) in methanol (50 ml) and N,N'-bis(5-bromo-2-hydroxybenzylidene)-1,3-propanediamine (1 mmol, 0.263 g) in methanol (70 ml) were mixed and heated under reflux for 30 min. The resulting product was recrystallized from acetonitrile by slow evaporation of the solvent at room temperature. Compound (II) was prepared from solutions of copper(II) acetate monohydrate (0.5 mmol, 0.099 g) in methanol (25 ml) and N,N'bis(5-chloro-2-hydroxybenzylidene)-1,3-propanediamine (0.5 mmol, 0.230 g) in dioxane (50 ml). The solutions were mixed and the reaction mixture heated under reflux for 30 min. Single crystals of the product were obtained on cooling.

## Compound (I)

## Crystal data

$[Ni(C_{17}H_{14}Br_2N_2O_2)]$	$D_x = 1.985 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$M_r = 496.83$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Monoclinic, $C2/c$	Cell parameters from 25
$a = 21.466 (3) \text{ Å}_{1}$	reflections
b = 8.1670 (10)  Å	$\theta = 2.65 - 13.28^{\circ}$
c = 9.495 (3) Å	$\mu = 5.99 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\beta = 93.07 \ (2)^{\circ}$	T = 293 (2)  K
V = 1662.2 (6) Å <sup>3</sup>	Needle, dark blue
Z = 4	$0.40 \times 0.05 \times 0.03 \text{ mm}$

## Data collection

Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 diffractometer  $\omega$ -2 $\theta$  scans Absorption correction:  $\psi$  scan (North et al., 1968)  $T_{\rm min}=0.75,\;T_{\rm max}=0.84$ 2249 measured reflections 1628 independent reflections 1016 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$  $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0349P)^2]$  $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.032$ + 4.1291*P*]  $wR(F^2) = 0.085$ where  $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ S = 0.966 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$  $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.71 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$ 1628 reflections  $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.38 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$ 114 parameters H-atom parameters constrained

#### Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °) for (I).

Ni1-O1	1.908 (3)	C1-C6	1.414 (6)
Ni1-N1	1.959 (4)	C2-C3	1.365 (6)
Br1-C4	1.897 (4)	C3-C4	1.383 (6)
O1-C1	1.300 (5)	C4-C5	1.371 (6)
N1-C7	1.289 (6)	C5-C6	1.410 (6)
N1-C8	1.480 (6)	C6-C7	1.436 (6)
C1-C2	1.415 (6)	C8-C9	1.473 (7)
O1 <sup>i</sup> -Ni1-O1	87.23 (18)	N1-Ni1-N1 <sup>i</sup>	97.4 (2)
O1 <sup>i</sup> -Ni1-N1	153.75 (14)	C1-O1-Ni1	127.8 (3)
O1-Ni1-N1	93.39 (14)	C8 <sup>i</sup> -C9-C8	123.4 (7)

## Compound (II)

Crystal data

 $[Cu(C_{17}H_{14}Cl_2N_2O_2)]$  $D_x = 1.706 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$  $M_r = 412.74$ Mo Ka radiation Monoclinic, C2/c Cell parameters from 25 a = 21.022 (3) Å reflections b = 8.140(2) Å  $\theta = 1.94 - 15.86^{\circ}$  $\mu = 1.70 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ c = 9.416(3) Å  $\beta = 94.06 \ (2)^{\circ}$ T = 293 (2) K $V = 1607.2 (7) \text{ Å}^3$ Needle, blue Z = 4 $0.30 \times 0.08 \times 0.08$  mm Data collection Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 diffract- $R_{\rm int} = 0.017$ ometer  $\theta_{\rm max} = 25.98^{\circ}$  $h = -25 \rightarrow 25$  $\omega - 2\theta$  scans Absorption correction:  $\psi$  scan  $k = -10 \rightarrow 0$ (North et al., 1968)  $l = -11 \rightarrow 2$  $T_{\rm min}=0.79,\;T_{\rm max}=0.87$ 3 standard reflections frequency: 90 min

1946 measured reflections 1568 independent reflections

1274 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

Symmetry code: (i) 1 - x, y,  $\frac{1}{2} - z$ .

intensity decay: 3.0%

Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0648P)^2]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.037$	+ 0.4477P]
$wR(F^2) = 0.106$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 1.127	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$
1568 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.57 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
114 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.51 \ \rm e \ \AA^{-3}$
H-atom parameters constrained	

#### Table 2

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °) for (II).

Cu1-O1	1.907 (2)	C1-C2	1.422 (4)
Cu1-N1	1.960 (2)	C2-C3	1.361 (4)
Cl1-C4	1.749 (3)	C3-C4	1.391 (5)
O1-C1	1.298 (4)	C4-C5	1.361 (4)
N1-C7	1.284 (4)	C5-C6	1.409 (4)
N1-C8	1.478 (4)	C6-C7	1.439 (4)
C1-C6	1.420 (4)	C8-C9	1.471 (6)
$O1^{i}-Cu1-O1$	87.44 (12)	N1-Cu1-N1 <sup>1</sup>	97.51 (14)
O1 <sup>i</sup> -Cu1-N1	153.63 (10)	C1-O1-Cu1	127.66 (18)
O1-Cu1-N1	93.27 (10)	$C8^{i} - C9 - C8$	123.7 (4)
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Symmetry code: (i) 1 - x, y,  $\frac{1}{2} - z$ .

Geometrical restraints were applied to the C8–C9 distance to prevent anomalous bond distances in the propanediamine chelate ring in (I) and (II). All H atoms were fixed at ideal positions with isotropic displacement parameters constrained to be  $1.2U_{eq}$  of the parent C atom for the phenyl H atoms and  $1.5U_{eq}$  for the methylene H atoms.

For both compounds, data collection: *CAD-4 Diffractometer Control Software* (Enraf–Nonius, 1993); cell refinement: *CAD-4 Diffractometer Control Software*; data reduction: *REDU*4 (Stoe & Cie, 1991); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS*97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL*97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEP-*3 (Farrugia, 1997).

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