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# Manganese(II) and cobalt(II) complexes of 1,4-bis(diphenylphosphinoyl)butane

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The title complexes, catena-poly[[[diaquadiethanolmanganese(II)]- $\mu$ -1,4-bis(diphenylphosphinoyl)butane- $\kappa^2 O:O'$ ] dinitrate 1,4-bis(diphenylphosphinoyl)butane solvate], {[Mn- $(C_{2}H_{6}O)_{2}(C_{28}H_{28}O_{2}P_{2})(H_{2}O)_{2}](NO_{3})_{2}\cdot C_{28}H_{28}O_{2}P_{2}|_{n}$ , (I), and *catena*-poly[[[diaquadiethanolcobalt(II)]-µ-1,4-bis(diphenylphosphinoyl)butane- $\kappa^2 O:O'$ ] dinitrate 1,4-bis(diphenylphosphinoyl)butane solvate], { $[Co(C_2H_6O)_2(C_{28}H_{28}O_2P_2)(H_2O)_2]$ - $(NO_3)_2 \cdot C_{28}H_{28}O_2P_2\}_n$ , (II), are isostructural and centrosymmetric, with the  $M^{II}$  ions at centres of inversion. The coordination geometry is octahedral, with each metal ion coordinated by two trans ethanol molecules, two trans water molecules and two bridging 1,4-bis(diphenylphosphinoyl)butane ligands which link the coordination centres to form one-dimensional polymeric chains. Parallel chains are linked by hydrogen bonds to uncoordinated 1.4-bis(diphenylphosphinoyl)butane molecules, which are bisected by a centre of inversion. Further hydrogen bonds, weak  $C-H \cdots O$ interactions to nitrate anions, and weak  $C-H\cdots\pi$  interactions serve to stabilize the structure. This study reports a development of the coordination chemistry of bis(diphenylphosphinoyl)alkanes, with the first reported structures of complexes of the first-row transition metals with 1,4-bis-(diphenylphosphinoyl)butane.

## Comment

In combination with various transition metals, 1,4-bis(diphenylphosphino)butane (dppb) has proved to be an effective catalyst for many organic reactions (see, for example, Bogado *et al.*, 2003; Farnetti & Marsich, 2004; Sundermeier *et al.*, 2003). Because of these catalytic effects, the coordination chemistry of dppb has received much attention. Although there are many structurally characterized examples of dppb complexes of the transition metals [for example: Ni<sup>II</sup> (Câmpian *et al.*, 2007), Ag<sup>I</sup> (Aslanidis *et al.*, 2004) and Ru<sup>II</sup> (Brito *et al.*, 2007)], the oxidized form of the ligand, 1,4-bis(diphenylphosphinoyl)butane (dppbO<sub>2</sub>) has received little attention. There are

examples of dppbO<sub>2</sub> coordination to the lanthanides (Spichal *et al.*, 2006) and to tin (Teo *et al.*, 2008), and there are examples of 1,3-bis(diphenylphosphinoyl)propane (dpppO<sub>2</sub>) coordination to Co<sup>II</sup> (Harding *et al.*, 2007) and Cu<sup>II</sup> (Platt & Lees, 2007), but to date there are no characterized examples of dppbO<sub>2</sub> coordination to the *d*-block elements. We report here the first examples of the coordination of dppbO<sub>2</sub> to the first-row transition metals.



The structures of (I) and (II), viz.  $\{trans-[M(EtOH)_2(\mu$  $dppbO_2(H_2O)_2[(NO_3)_2 \cdot dppbO_2]_n$ , are essentially isomorphous. The structures are centrosymmetric and the coordination geometry is octahedral,  $MO_6$ , with the  $M^{II}$  ions located on centres of inversion. Each metal ion is coordinated by two ethanol molecules, two water molecules and two bridging dppbO<sub>2</sub> ligands in an all-trans configuration to form onedimensional polymeric chains. Parallel chains are linked by hydrogen bonds to uncoordinated dppbO<sub>2</sub> molecules. M-Obond lengths [2.111 (1)-2.242 (2) Å for Mn and 2.045 (2)-2.147 (2) Å for Co] are typical of those of other octahedrally coordinated O-donor Mn<sup>II</sup> and Co<sup>II</sup> complexes, for example,  $[Mn(C_{14}H_8N_2O_6)(H_2O_4)]_n$  [2.141 (2)–2.226 (2) Å; Tang et *al.*, 2007],  $[Mn(C_{10}H_8O_5S)(H_2O)_4]_n$  [2.153 (2)–2.244 (2) Å; Su et al., 2006], { $[Co(C_8H_7NO_2)_2(H_2O)_2](NO_3)_2$ }, [2.063 (1)– 2.108 (1) Å; Domasevitch, 2008] and  $[Co(dbm)_2(\mu-dppeO_2)]_n$ [dbm is 1,3-diphenylpropane-1,3-dionate and dppeO<sub>2</sub> is 1,2-bis(diphenylphosphinoyl)ethane] [2.153 (2)–2.244 (2) Å; Harding et al., 2007].

The coordination geometries of the  $M^{II}$  ions each show elongation along one axis. Both complexes show similar elongation along the axis of the *trans*-coordinated water molecules, *viz.* O3–Co–O3(1 – *x*, 1 – *y*, 1 – *z*). Lengthening of these bonds is consistent with the water molecules being hydrogen bonded to adjacent phosphine oxide groups (O3– H3A···O7) and nitrate anions (O3–H3A···O6). Such elongation is also consistent with Jahn–Teller distortion, and this may be expected to be observed in complexes of the Co<sup>II</sup>  $d^7$  ion. For the Mn<sup>II</sup>  $d^5$  ion, however, Jahn–Teller effects are not expected to be significant. The greater distortion observed in the Mn<sup>II</sup> complex is attributed to the role of hydrogen bonding having a greater influence over the generally weaker M–O bonds in the Mn complex. All M–O bonds are longer in the Mn complex than the Co complex, in keeping with the



#### Figure 1

A view of (II), showing the atom-labelling scheme. Compound (I) is isostructural. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. H atoms are shown as small spheres of arbitrary radii and have been omitted from symmetry-generated atoms for clarity. [Symmetry code: (i) 1 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z; (ii) -x, 1 - y, 1 - z.]

Irving–Williams series, which indicates stability in the order Mn < Fe < Co.

The metal centres are linked by bridging dppbO<sub>2</sub> ligands, which are bisected by an inversion centre. The aliphatic chains of the dppbO<sub>2</sub> ligands adopt an all-*anti* conformation, aligning the P=O groups in a strict antiparallel arrangement which affords the linear propagation of the coordination polymer along the crystallographic *b* axis. Adjacent chains are linked *via* hydrogen bonds to form a two-dimensional network running parallel to the (001) plane.

The hydrogen-bonding network consists of classical O– H···O hydrogen bonds and C–H···O interactions. One hydrogen bond, O3–H3B····O6, binds the nitrate ion to a coordinated water molecule. Two other hydrogen bonds, O3– H3A···O7 and O2–H2E···O7, are the primary means of attachment of the uncoordinated dppbO<sub>2</sub> molecules which form the link between the parallel polymeric chains. Weaker C–H···O interactions serve to stabilize further both the position of the nitrate ion within the structure and the orientation of the dppbO<sub>2</sub> molecules. The hydrogen-bonding parameters for (I) are given in Table 2, and those for (II) are given in Table 4.

Weak methylene-phenyl and phenyl-phenyl (edge-to-face)  $C-H\cdots\pi$  interactions, with  $H\cdots\pi$  (centroid) distances of 2.83 and 2.79 Å, respectively, in (I), and 2.80 and 2.76 Å, respectively, in (II), stabilize the arrangements between polymer chains and dppbO<sub>2</sub> molecules within the (001) sheets. In the first of these interactions, methylene atom C29 acts as donor, *via* atom H29*B*, to the C7-C12 ring at (1 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z). In the second interaction, phenyl atom C21 acts as donor, *via* atom H21, to the C1-C6 ring at (x, -1 + y, z). The stacking of





The molecular packing in (I), viewed normal to the (010) plane, showing intermolecular hydrogen bonds parallel to the (001) plane and the edge-to-face alignment of phenyl rings between chains along the c axis. Only selected H atoms are shown for clarity. The packing in (II) is similar.

the (001) sheets is stabilized by two further C-H··· $\pi$  interactions: a phenyl-phenyl (edge-to-face) interaction between neighbouring dppbO<sub>2</sub> molecules, with  $H \cdots \pi$  (centroid) distances of 2.90 [in (I)] and 2.89 Å [in (II)], and a methylphenyl interaction between adjacent polymeric chains, with  $H \cdots \pi$  (centroid) distances of 2.91 [in (I)] and 2.96 Å [in (II)]. In the phenyl-phenyl interaction, atom C26 acts as donor, via atom H26, to the C17–C22 ring at  $(-x, \frac{1}{2} + y, \frac{1}{2} - z)$ , and in the methyl-phenyl interaction, atom C16 acts as donor, via atom H16B, to the C1–C6 ring at  $(1 - x, -\frac{1}{2} + y, \frac{1}{2} - z)$ . The observed  $H \cdots \pi$  (centroid) distances for the four interactions in both structures (2.76–2.96 Å) are markedly shorter than those reported for similar interactions in the solid-state alkyl bisdiphenylphosphine oxides (3.00–3.65 Å; Calcagno et al., 2000). We attribute this to the effects of both coordinate bonding to the metal atoms and intramolecular hydrogen bonding stabilizing the dppbO<sub>2</sub> molecules in closer proximity.

## Experimental

The hydrated metal nitrate,  $Mn(NO_3)_2 \cdot 4H_2O$  (250 mg, 1.0 mmol) or  $Co(NO_3)_2 \cdot 4H_2O$  (290 mg, 1.0 mmol), was dissolved in ethanol (10 ml). The solution was heated and mixed with a hot solution of dppbO<sub>2</sub> (920 mg, 2.0 mmol) in ethanol (20 ml). Slow evaporation of the resulting solutions led to the formation of crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction studies.

## Compound (I)

Crystal data	
$[Mn(C_2H_6O)_2(C_{28}H_{28}O_2P_2)-$	$\beta = 101.9000 \ (10)^{\circ}$
$(H_2O)_2](NO_3)_2 \cdot C_{28}H_{28}O_2P_2$	$V = 2995.88 (14) \text{ Å}^3$
$M_r = 1224.02$	Z = 2
Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
a = 13.4134 (3) Å	$\mu = 0.39 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
b = 10.3270 (3)  Å	T = 120 (2) K
c = 22.1028 (6) Å	$0.24 \times 0.22 \times 0.03 \text{ mm}$

## Table 1

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Mn1-O1	2.1109 (14)	P1-O1	1.4964 (15)
Mn1-O2	2.1998 (17)	P2-O7	1.5036 (16)
Mn1-O3	2.2415 (16)		
O1-Mn1-O1 <sup>i</sup>	180.0	O2-Mn1-O2 <sup>i</sup>	180.0
O1-Mn1-O2	88.84 (6)	O2-Mn1-O3	83.16 (7)
$O1-Mn1-O2^{i}$	91.16 (6)	O2-Mn1-O3 <sup>i</sup>	96.84 (7)
O1-Mn1-O3	93.28 (6)	O3 <sup>i</sup> -Mn1-O3	180.00 (10)
$O1^{i}-Mn1-O3$	86.72 (6)		

Symmetry code: (i) -x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 1.

#### Table 2

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å,  $^{\circ}$ ) for (I).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - H \cdots A$
$\Omega^2 = H^2 E \cdots \Omega^7$	1.06 (4)	1 67 (4)	2 652 (2)	152 (3)
$O_2 - H_3 A \cdots O_7$	0.88(4)	1.93 (4)	2.784(2)	163(4)
$O3-H3B\cdots O6$	0.88 (4)	1.99 (4)	2.828 (3)	159 (4)
$C8-H8\cdots O4^{ii}$	0.95	2.52	3.465 (3)	177
$C12-H12\cdots O6^{i}$	0.95	2.64	3.271 (3)	124
$C13-H13B\cdots O4^{ii}$	0.99	2.33	3.310 (3)	171
$C24-H24\cdots O5^{iii}$	0.95	2.49	3.387 (3)	158
C30−H30A····O6	0.99	2.58	3.500 (3)	155

Symmetry codes: (i) -x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 1; (ii) -x + 1, -y + 2, -z + 1; (iii) -x, -y + 1, -z + 1.

#### Data collection

Bruker–Nonius KappaCCD areadetector diffractometer Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SADABS*; Sheldrick, 2003)  $T_{min} = 0.912, T_{max} = 0.988$ 

#### Refinement

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.045$   $wR(F^2) = 0.111$  S = 1.056856 reflections 382 parameters

#### Compound (II)

#### Crystal data

$$\begin{split} & [\text{Co}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_6\text{O})_2(\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{28}\text{O}_2\text{P}_2) - \\ & (\text{H}_2\text{O})_2](\text{NO}_3)_2\cdot\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{28}\text{O}_2\text{P}_2 \\ & M_r = 1228.01 \\ & \text{Monoclinic, } P2_1/c \\ & a = 13.3646 \ (5) \text{ \AA} \\ & b = 10.2517 \ (5) \text{ \AA} \\ & c = 22.0744 \ (11) \text{ \AA} \end{split}$$

#### Data collection

Bruker–Nonius KappaCCD areadetector diffractometer
Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 2003)
T<sub>min</sub> = 0.929, T<sub>max</sub> = 0.986

#### Refinement

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.062$   $wR(F^2) = 0.135$  S = 1.036806 reflections 382 parameters 40734 measured reflections 6856 independent reflections 5673 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$  $R_{\text{int}} = 0.042$ 

Only H-atom displacement parameters refined  $\Delta \rho_{max} = 0.71 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$  $\Delta \rho_{min} = -0.43 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ 

$$\begin{split} \beta &= 101.920 \ (3)^{\circ} \\ V &= 2959.2 \ (2) \ \text{\AA}^3 \\ Z &= 2 \\ \text{Mo } K\alpha \text{ radiation} \\ \mu &= 0.47 \ \text{mm}^{-1} \\ T &= 120 \ (2) \ \text{K} \\ 0.16 \ \times \ 0.14 \ \times \ 0.03 \ \text{mm} \end{split}$$

36332 measured reflections 6806 independent reflections 4594 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$  $R_{int} = 0.093$ 

Only H-atom displacement parameters refined 
$$\begin{split} &\Delta\rho_{max}=0.53~\text{e}~\text{\AA}^{-3}\\ &\Delta\rho_{min}=-0.38~\text{e}~\text{\AA}^{-3} \end{split}$$

### Table 3

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

Co1-O1	2.045 (2)	P1-O1	1.492 (2)
Co1-O2	2.097 (3)	P2-O7	1.500 (2)
Co1-O3	2.147 (2)		
O1-Co1-O1 <sup>i</sup>	180.0	O2-Co1-O2 <sup>i</sup>	180.0
O1-Co1-O2	88.46 (10)	O2-Co1-O3	84.30 (11)
$O1-Co1-O2^i$	91.54 (10)	O2-Co1-O3 <sup>i</sup>	95.70 (11)
O1-Co1-O3	92.75 (9)	O3-Co1-O3 <sup>i</sup>	180.00 (15)
O1 <sup>i</sup> -Co1-O3	87.25 (9)		

Symmetry code: (i) -x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 1.

Table 4				
Hydrogen-bond geometry	(Å.	°)	for	(II).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
$D2 - H2E \cdots O7$	0.68 (5)	2.01 (5)	2.660 (4)	163 (6)
$D3 - H3A \cdots O7$	0.82 (5)	1.97 (5)	2.774 (3)	166 (5)
$D3 - H3B \cdots O6$	0.74 (5)	2.13 (5)	2.832 (4)	157 (5)
$C8 - H8 \cdots O4^{ii}$ $C12 - H12 \cdots O6^{ii}$ $C13 - H13B \cdots O4^{ii}$	0.95	2.47	3.418 (4)	178
	0.95	2.58	3.224 (4)	126
	0.99	2.32	3.292 (4)	169
$C24 - H24 \cdots O5^{m}$ $C30 - H30A \cdots O6$	0.95	2.48	3.383 (4)	158
	0.99	2.61	3.541 (4)	157

Symmetry codes: (i) -x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 1; (ii) -x + 1, -y + 2, -z + 1; (iii) -x, -y + 1, -z + 1.

All C-bound H atoms were refined isotropically in idealized positions, with aromatic C-H = 0.95 Å, methylene C-H = 0.99 Å and methyl C-H = 0.98 Å, and were constrained to ride on their parent atoms. The H atoms of each functional group were assigned a common refined isotropic displacement parameter. O-bound H atoms were located in a difference map and refined isotropically with a common isotropic displacement parameter.

For both compounds, data collection: *COLLECT* (Nonius, 1998); cell refinement: *DENZO* (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997) and *COLLECT*; data reduction: *DENZO* and *COLLECT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *ORTEP-3 for Windows* (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: *WinGX* (Farrugia, 1999) and *enCIFer* (Allen *et al.*, 2004).

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