

glucosaminic acid in copper complex formation, its titration curves in the presence and in the absence of cupric ion were compared with those of glycine under the same conditions. Fig. 4 shows that the titration curves of both amino acids are similar except in the alkaline region of their copper complex where pH depression occurs only with glucosaminic acid. Moreover, a precipitation of hydroxide or hydrolysis products of complex is observed only in the glycine solution.

These results suggest the contribution of OH groups of glucosaminic acid in alkaline regions to the complex formation by their dissociation and coordination to copper.

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### Summary

Stability constants,  $\log K_1$  and  $\log K_2$ , of complexes of D-glucosaminic acid with  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Ni}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Pb}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Zn}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Co}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Cd}^{2+}$ , and  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$  were determined by pH titration method. Copper complexes were found to be the most stable and the contribution of OH groups of glucosaminic acid to the complex formation was observed.

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Zenzo Tamura : Gas Chromatography of Copper (II) and  
Nickel (II) Chelates of Some  $\beta$ -Ketoimine Derivatives  
of 2,4-Pentanedione and Salicylaldehyde.\*<sup>1</sup>

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Recently, gas chromatography has been applied to various volatile metal chelates of 2,4-pentanedione and of its fluoro derivatives, and many investigators<sup>1-10)</sup> have suggested that gas chromatography would be very useful for the separation of metal chelates or the micro analysis of metals. However, the study of chelates of other types of ligand than 2,4-pentanedione and its fluoro-derivatives have not been reported.

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In this paper, the authors intend to report some observations on the gas chromatography of copper (II) and nickel (II) chelates of  $\beta$ -ketoimine derivatives of 2,4-pentanedione and salicylaldehyde.

### Experimental

**Materials**—All of the metal chelates used are shown in Table I. The ligand compounds and their metal chelates were prepared by the methods given in the literature cited in Table I or by the analogous methods.

**Apparatus and Procedure**—Shimadzu Gas Chromatograph Model GC-1B (dual column type) equipped with thermal conductivity cell detector was used. A stainless steel tube of U type (1.5 m. length) was packed with 0.5~1.5 % silicon polymer or Apiezon grease on celite or glass beads (60~80 mesh). Glass beads were obtained from Shibata Chemicals, washed with acid and siliconized. The column temperature was 150~220°, and the temperature of sample heater was usually kept 10~40° higher than that. Helium was used as a carrier gas at a flow rate of 40~100 ml./min., and the filament current was 140~160 mA. The chelate compounds were dissolved in  $\text{CHCl}_3$  and injected to the sample heater. The peak fractions were collected by the ordinary method and were destructed with conc.  $\text{HNO}_3$  and 30%  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ . The presence of metal was examined by spot test analysis using sodium rubeanate or dimethylglyoxime.

A Koken DS-402G Spectrophotometer was used for the measurements of IR spectra of metal chelates before and after chromatography. A micro KBr-disk method was used for identification.

### Results and Discussion

As a preliminary test, the possibility of application of gas chromatography was examined. As shown in Fig. 1, I gave a definite peak and its shape was very resemble to that of copper chelate of 2,4-pentanedione. The compound II gave a similar chromatogram. As to the copper chelates of N-alkyl derivatives of salicylaldimines,

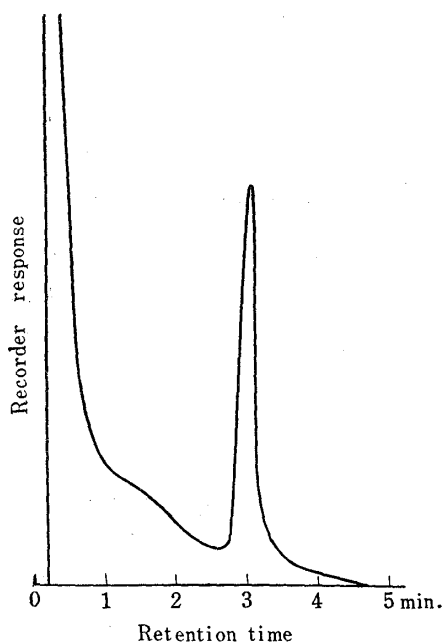


Fig. 1. Gas Chromatogram of Bis-(4-imino-2-pentanono)-copper

Column : 1% Apiezon L (glass beads),  
1.5 m. x 4 mm.  
Temperature : column, 200°  
sample heater, 220°  
detector, 250°  
Carrier gas : He 70 ml./min.

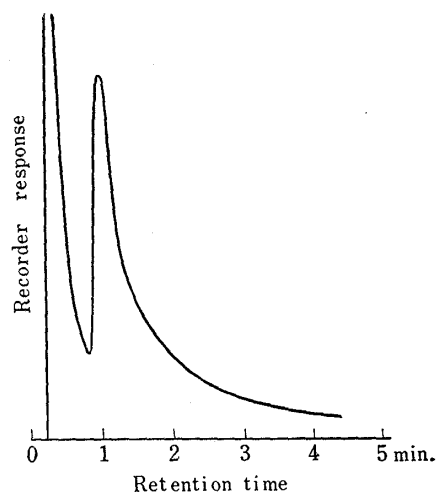


Fig. 2. Gas Chromatogram of Bis-(N-methylsalicylaldimine)-copper

Column : 1.5% SE 30 (Chromosorb W),  
1.5 m. x 4 mm.  
Temperature : column, 160°  
sample heater, 200°  
detector, 230°  
Carrier gas : He 85 ml./min.

III gave also a definite peak as shown in Fig. 2. The gas chromatographic behaviors of IV and V were similar to that of III. Nickel chelate VI showed a very clear gas chromatogram. The result is given in Fig. 3.

Although definite peaks were observed on the gas chromatography of these metal chelates, some elucidations might be necessary to attribute those peaks to the metal chelates. The eluted fractions corresponding to the peaks were collected and the presence of metal was examined by spot test analysis. As shown in Table I, the metals were detected in all of the collected samples. Furthermore, I, II, and VI were found to be thermally stable but III, IV, and V were perceived to be slightly unstable from their infrared spectra. For a typical example, the infrared spectra of VI are given in Fig. 4.

As I and VI gave clear and definite peaks and their retention times are con-

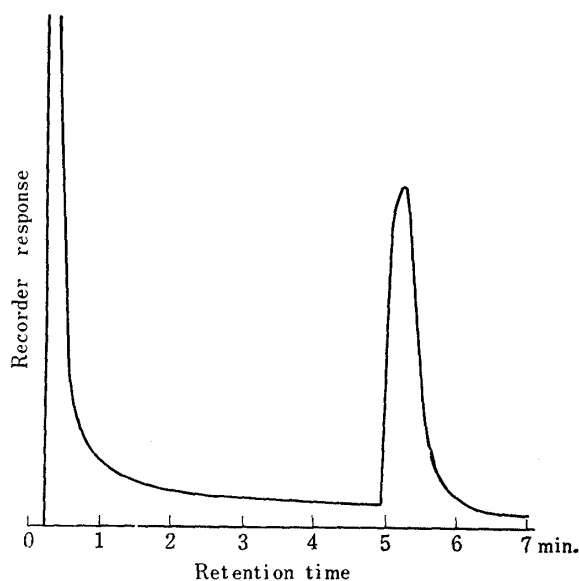


Fig. 3. Gas Chromatogram of Bis(4-imino-2-pentanono)-nickel

Column: 1% Apiezon L (glass beads),  
1.5 m. x 4 mm.  
Temperature: column, 200°  
sample heater, 220°  
detector, 240°  
Carrier gas: He 40 mL/min.

TABLE I. Metal Chelates and Their Gas Chromatographic Stability

No.	Metal chelate	m.p. (°C)	Formula	N (%)		Metal (%)		Column temp. (°C)	M <sup>(e)</sup>	Ref.
				Calcd.	Found	Calcd.	Found <sup>(d)</sup>			
I	Bis(4-imino-2-pentanono)-copper (II)	185~ 186	C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>16</sub> O <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> Cu	10.78	10.84	24.80	24.46	180	+	a)
II	Bis(4-methylimino-2-pentanono)-copper (II)	sub. p 120	C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>20</sub> O <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> Cu	9.73	9.90	22.40	23.94	180	+	a)
III	Bis(N-methylsalicylaldimine)-copper (II)	158	C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>16</sub> O <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> Cu	8.45	8.35	19.16	18.59	160	+	b)
IV	Bis(N-ethylsalicylaldimine)-copper (II)		C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>20</sub> O <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> Cu	7.78	7.35	17.65	17.35	150	+~-	b')
V	Bis(N-n-propylsalicylaldimine)-copper (II)		C <sub>20</sub> H <sub>24</sub> O <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> Cu	7.22	6.92	16.38	15.63	150	+	b')
VI	Bis(4-imino-2-pentanono)-nickel (II)	246	C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>16</sub> O <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> Ni	10.99	11.23	23.02	23.04	190	+	c)

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d) Contents of metal were measured by EDTA titration. No. II compound gave rather high value indicating that the purification was not complete.

e) Detection of metal in peak.

siderably different, a separation of these chelates was examined and a successful result was obtained as shown in Fig. 5.

Moreover, the possibility of determination of VI was also investigated. As shown in Fig. 6, a linear relationship exists between the amount of the nickel chelate injected and the peak area or the peak height of the gas chromatogram.

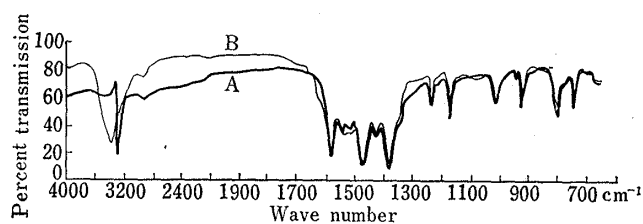


Fig. 4. Infrared Spectra of Bis(4-imino-2-pentanono)-nickel

A : before chromatography  
 B : after chromatography  
 Column : 1% SE 30 (anakrom), 1.5 m. x 4 mm.  
 Temperature : column, 210°; sample heater, 220°; detector, 250°  
 Carrier gas : He 100 ml./min.

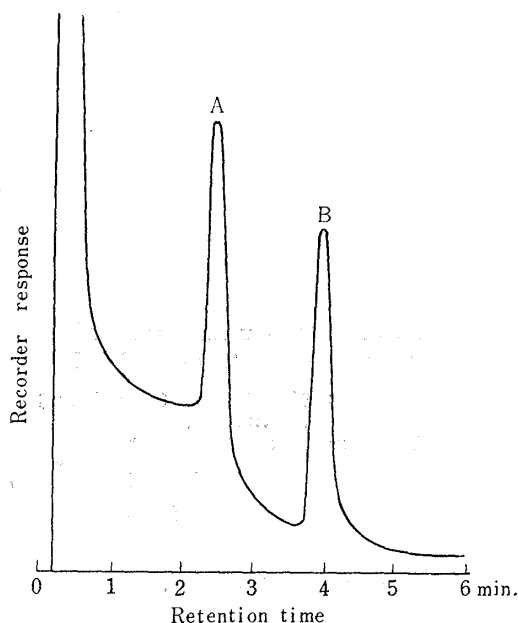


Fig. 5. Gas Chromatogram of the Mixture of Bis(4-imino-2-pentanono)-copper and Bis(4-imino-2-pentanono)-nickel

Column : 0.5% QF-1 (glass beads), 1.5 m. x 4 mm.  
 Temperature : column, 180°  
                   sample heater, 210°  
                   detector, 240°  
 Carrier gas : He 45 ml./min.  
 A : copper chelate  
 B : nickel chelate

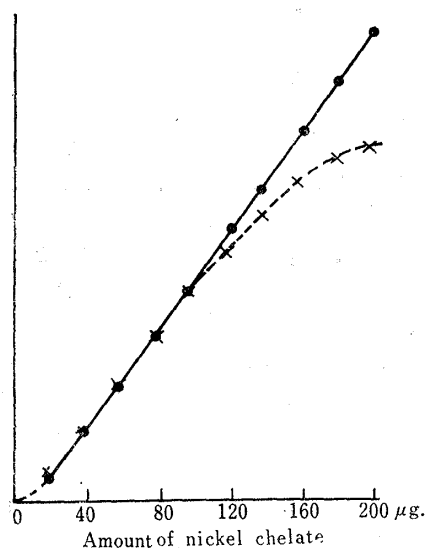


Fig. 6. Calibration Curves of Bis(4-imino-2-pentanono)-nickel

Column : 1% SE 30 (anakrom), 1.5 m. x 4 mm.  
 Temperature : column, 195°  
                   sample heater, 220°  
                   detector, 240°  
 Carrier gas : He 70 ml./min.  
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### Summary

Gas chromatography of copper (II) and nickel (II) chelates of  $\beta$ -ketoimine type derivatives of 2,4-pentanedione and salicylaldehyde were investigated. Copper and nickel chelates of 4-imino-2-pentanone gave definite peaks and their separation was attained.

Furthermore, the determination of nickel chelate of 4-imino-2-pentanone was investigated.

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