

^1H - AND ^{13}C -NMR OF LOW-SPIN TETRACYANOIRON(III) CHELATES
FORMED WITH 1,2-DIAMINES OF FIXED CONFORMATIONS

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Well resolved ^1H - and ^{13}C -NMR signals of the title compounds were assigned with the aid of change in chemical shift by varying the composition of the mixture of Fe^{II} and Fe^{III} complexes of an identical set of ligands. Distinct differences in chemical shift between axial and equatorial protons of the chelate rings and ^{13}C -isotropic shifts alternating in sign with each separation from Fe^{III} center by C-C bond were observed.

NMR studies of low-spin Fe^{III} chelates have been reported with conjugated diimines such as bipyridyl and 1,10-phenanthroline as ligands^{1,2)} but not with saturated diamines. A low-spin Fe^{III} center is expected to cause paramagnetic shifts through dipole-dipole interaction which can differentiate a fine displacement around the central metal. Tetracyano(1,2-diamine)ferrate(III) chelates with ethylenediamine (en), $\underline{\text{R}}$ -1,2-propanediamine($\underline{\text{R}}$ -pn), ($1\underline{\text{R}}, 2\underline{\text{R}}$)-cyclopentanediamine($\underline{\text{R}}$ -cptn), and ($1\underline{\text{R}}, 2\underline{\text{R}}$)-cyclohexanediamine($\underline{\text{R}}$ -chxn) were isolated as sodium salts by oxidation of the corresponding Fe^{II} chelates³⁻⁵⁾ with hydrogen peroxide under acidic conditions. The conformations of the chelate rings formed with $\underline{\text{R}}$ -pn, $\underline{\text{R}}$ -cptn, $\underline{\text{R}}$ -chxn are fixed in λ as judged from their CD spectra.^{4,5)} Their magnetic moments at room temperature are between 2.2 and 2.6 B.M. as expected for low-spin Fe^{III} compounds.

^1H -NMR spectra of diamagnetic Fe^{II} and paramagnetic Fe^{III} chelates were measured with JEOL MH-100 and FX-100 spectrometers, respectively, using D_2O solutions containing 10^{-2} mol dm^{-3} DCl and sodium 2,2-dimethyl-2-silapentanesulfonate(DSS) as an internal reference at room temperature. The spectral change of $[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(\text{CN})_4(\underline{\text{R}}\text{-pn})]^{2-}$ upon addition of small amounts of $[\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}(\text{CN})_4(\underline{\text{R}}\text{-pn})]^-$ is shown in Fig. 1. NMR signals of $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_4(\underline{\text{R}}\text{-pn})]^{2-}$ have been assigned in reference to those of the corresponding

isoelectronic complex, $[\text{Co}(\text{CN})_4(\underline{\text{R}}\text{-pn})]^-$.^{4,6)} The extent of chemical shift of each signal was dependent on the amounts of the Fe^{III} chelate added. Plots of chemical shifts against mole fraction of the Fe^{III} chelate ($f_{\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}}$) gave a straight line for each signal and the extrapolation of $f_{\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}}$ to 1.0 gave the chemical shift which is in agreement with that for the isolated Fe^{III} chelate, as shown in Fig. 2. The linear dependency of observed chemical shifts on the mole fraction arises from rapid electron exchange between the Fe^{II} and Fe^{III} centers. Electron exchange reactions of the couples, $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{4-/3-}$ ⁷⁾ and $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_5(\text{pyridine})]^{3-/2-}$,⁸⁾ have been reported to have second-order rate constants of 5×10^3 and $7 \times 10^5 \text{ dm}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$, respectively. The rate for $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_4(\underline{\text{R}}\text{-pn})]^{2-/}$ is in the region of fast-limit on NMR time scale. The rate constant is expected to increase with decrease in charges of the reactant couple.

Analogous behavior was observed for each mixture of $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_4(\underline{\text{R}}\text{-cptn})]^{2-/}$ and $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_4(\underline{\text{R}}\text{-chxn})]^{2-/}$. The complicated ^1H -NMR signals of the diamagnetic chelates between -1.0 and -2.7 ppm separated from each other and spread between -1.0 and -17 ppm upon addition of their Fe^{III} counterparts. These signals were assigned on selective proton decoupled ^{13}C -NMR measurements and on the assumption that an equatorial proton resonates at lower-field than an axial one bonded to the same carbon atom for the diamagnetic Fe^{II} chelates. The chemical shifts of Fe^{II} and Fe^{III} chelates are listed in Table together with numberings of nuclei.

^1H -NMR spectra of $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_4(\text{en})]^{2-/}$ exhibited single signals due to their fast conformational interconversion. The chemical shift of the signal for the Fe^{III} chelate is almost the mean of those of the equatorial and axial protons found for $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_4(\underline{\text{R}}\text{-pn})]^-$.

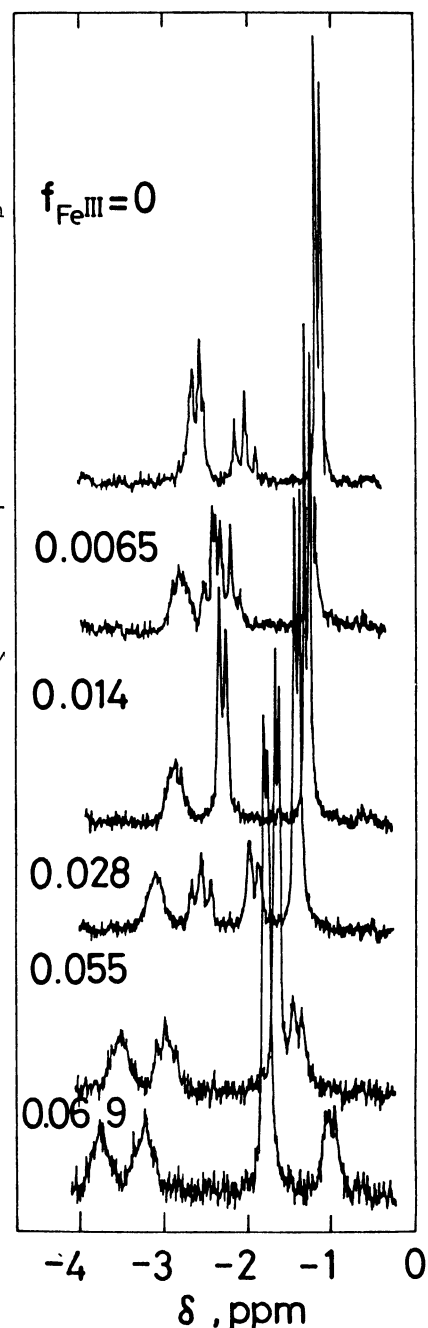


Fig. 1. ^1H -NMR spectral change of $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_4(\underline{\text{R}}\text{-pn})]^{2-}$ on addition of $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_4(\underline{\text{R}}\text{-pn})]^-$ in D_2O containing $10^{-2} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ DCl. $f_{\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}}$: mole fraction of the Fe^{III} chelate to total Fe chelates.

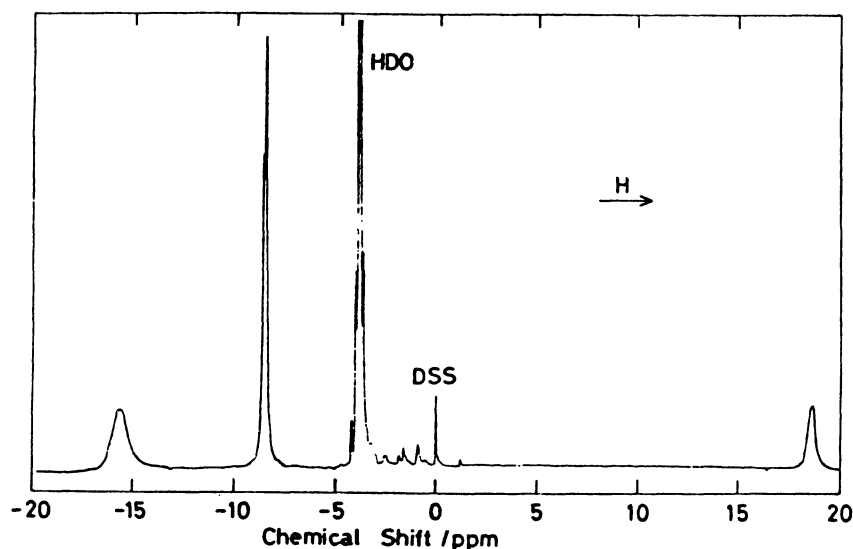


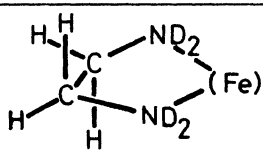
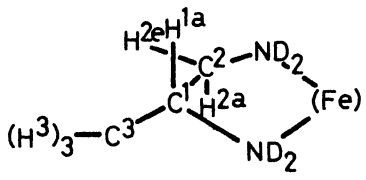
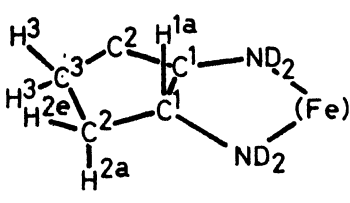
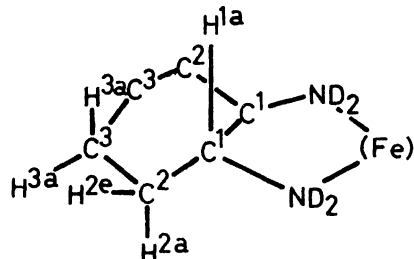
Fig. 2. ^1H -NMR of $\text{Na}[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_4(\underline{\text{R}}\text{-pn})]\text{H}_2\text{O}$ in D_2O containing 10^{-2} mole dm^{-3} DCl.

As for the three Fe^{III} chelates of fixed conformation, axial protons resonate at low field and the magnitude of isotropic shift for the $\underline{\text{R}}\text{-chxn}$ chelate decreases as the separation from the Fe^{III} center increases but a considerable isotropic shift was found for H^3 of the $\underline{\text{R}}\text{-cptn}$ chelate. The equatorial protons in the five-membered chelate ring exhibit up-field shifts by ca. 20 ppm, but the equatorial protons of C^2 carbons of the $\underline{\text{R}}\text{-cptn}$ and $\underline{\text{R}}\text{-chxn}$ chelates showed significant down-field shifts. These isotropic shifts could not be accounted for by the dipole-dipole interaction only on the model which assume molecular C_2 axis coincides to the principal axis.

As for ^{13}C -NMR, obtained with a JEOL FX-100 spectrometer using dioxane as an internal reference (-67.4 ppm), analogous change in chemical shifts was found for the mixture of the diamagnetic and paramagnetic chelates as the composition was varied and the chemical shifts are summarized in Table. Off-resonance spectra of Fe^{III} chelates showed clear ^{13}C - ^1H couplings. The signs of the isotropic shifts alternated along each separation from the Fe^{III} center by C-C bond. The difference in the isotropic shifts for C^3 between the $\underline{\text{R}}\text{-cptn}$ and $\underline{\text{R}}\text{-chxn}$ chelates can be accounted for on the assumption that low-field isotropic shifts superimpose for the $\underline{\text{R}}\text{-cptn}$ chelate but opposite field shifts from the both nitrogens superimpose for the $\underline{\text{R}}\text{-chxn}$ chelate. The magnitudes of isotropic shifts are attenuated considerably as the separation from the paramagnetic center increases, as expected on the basis of spin-polarization mechanism, but not parallel with those found for Ni^{II} chelates.⁹⁻¹¹⁾

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Table. ^1H - and ^{13}C -NMR Chemical Shifts of $[\text{Fe}^{\text{II,III}}(\text{CN})_4(\text{diamine})]^{2-,-}$

Diamine	Nucleus	Chemical Shift/ppm		Isotropic Shift/ppm
		Fe^{II}	Fe^{III}	
	H	-2.49	+0.87	+3.36
	C	-45.2	-242.0	-196.8
	H^{1a}	-2.72	-17.04	-14.32
	H^{2a}	-2.06	-17.04	-14.96
	H^{2e}	-2.62	+19.89	+22.51
	H^3	-1.12	-9.15	-8.03
	C^1	-53.7	-241.1	-187.4
	C^2	-51.9	-247.2	-195.3
	C^3	-19.6	+47.2	+66.8
	H^{1a}	-2.84	-14.02	-11.18
	H^{2a}	-1.23	-9.49	-8.26
	H^{2e}	-1.80	-7.97	-6.17
	H^3	-1.80	-12.95	-11.15
	C^1	-65.5	-297.5	-232.2
	C^2	-27.7	+21.7	+49.4
	C^3	-24.4	-71.9	-47.5
	H^{1a}	-2.05	-16.06	-14.01
	H^{2a}	-1.14	-10.96	-9.82
	H^{2e}	-1.92	-10.96	-9.04
	H^{3a}	-1.14	-6.65	-5.51
	H^{3e}	-1.66	-1.46	+0.20
	C^1	-60.6	-248.0	-187.4
	C^2	-35.6	+17.3	+52.9
C^3	-25.3	-29.2	-3.9	

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