

Both complexes are insoluble in water and nonpolar solvents. Compound **1** is soluble in methanol, ethanol, and acetone and compound **2** in a mixture of dioxane-water only. Decomposition of both is observed in DMF and DMSO.

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Supplementary Material Available: Lists of anisotropic thermal parameters (Table VIII for **1** and Table X for **2**), fractional atomic coordinates for hydrogen atoms (Table IX for **1** and Table XI for **2**), and additional interatomic distances and angles (Table XII for **1** and Table XIII for **2**) and the far-IR spectra of **1** and **2** (Figures 7 and 8) (15 pages); lists of observed and calculated structure factors (Table XIV for **1** and Table XV for **2**) (40 pages). Ordering information is given on any current masthead page.

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Effect of Ring Size on Properties of Technetium Amine Oxime Complexes. X-ray Structures of $\text{TcO}_2\text{Pent}(\text{AO})_2$, Which Contains an Unusual Eight-Membered Chelate Ring, and of $\text{TcOEn}(\text{AO})_2$

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A series of neutral technetium(V) complexes have been synthesized ($\text{TcO}(\text{AO})_2$, $\text{TcOEn}(\text{AO})_2$, $\text{TcO}_2\text{Bn}(\text{AO})_2$, and $\text{TcO}_2\text{Pent}(\text{AO})_2$) in which the length of the hydrocarbon backbone of the amine oxime ligand is varied to effect chemical changes in the resultant complexes. $\text{Pn}(\text{AO})_2$, 3,3,9,9-tetramethyl-4,8-diazaundecane-2,10-dione dioxime, is the prototype for these ligands. In this series of technetium(V) complexes in which the overall ring size is varied, both monooxo and *trans*-dioxo cores are observed, and an unusual eight-member chelate ring with the technetium(V) center is found with $\text{TcO}_2\text{Pent}(\text{AO})_2$. $\text{TcO}_2\text{Pent}(\text{AO})_2 \cdot \text{CHCl}_3$, $\text{TcCl}_6\text{O}_4\text{N}_4\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{33}$, crystallizes in the triclinic system, space group $P\bar{1}$, with $a = 1.418$ (2) Å, $b = 13.940$ (7) Å, $c = 18.992$ (10) Å, $\alpha = 69.29$ (4)°, $\beta = 90.00$ (3)°, $\gamma = 83.69$ (3)°, and $Z = 4$. $\text{TcOEn}(\text{AO})_2$, $\text{TcO}_3\text{N}_4\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{23}$, crystallizes in the orthorhombic system, space group $Pbca$, with $a = 11.581$ (2) Å, $b = 12.596$ (4) Å, $c = 21.155$ (3) Å, and $Z = 8$.

Introduction

The technetium-99m complex of $\text{Pn}(\text{AO})_2$, 3,3,9,9-tetramethyl-4,8-diazaundecane-2,10-dione dioxime (Table I), has been shown to be neutral, lipophilic, and able to cross the intact blood brain barrier.^{1,2} Recently, we reported the synthesis and characterization of a number of technetium-99-oxo-tetradentate amine oxime complexes in which the substituents on the $\text{Pn}(\text{AO})_2$ backbone had been varied.³ Of these, *dl*-^{99m}TcOHM-PAO has been shown to be an effective cerebral blood flow agent.⁴⁻⁶

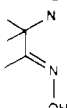
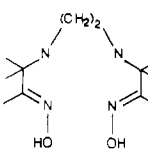
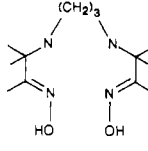
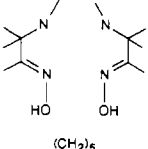
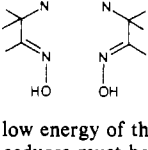
We have been interested for some time in technetium complexes of amine oxime ligands in which the lengths of the hydrocarbon backbones, rather than the substituents on the backbones, are varied to probe the effect(s) on the chemistry of the resultant complexes. The amine oxime ligands of interest are shown in Table I. The amine oxime is varied monotonically from AO, which has no amine-amine hydrocarbon backbone and thus is a bidentate ligand, to $\text{Pent}(\text{AO})_2$, which has a five-carbon backbone and forms an unusual eight-member chelate ring on coordination to the Tc(V) center. This series allows the overall macrocyclic ring size about the technetium to be varied from the 13-member $\text{En}(\text{AO})_2$ to the 16-member $\text{Pent}(\text{AO})_2$ and includes the open-ended member AO.

With these technetium(V) amine oxime complexes we observe both five-coordinate monooxo technetium(V) species (as in $\text{TcOPn}(\text{AO})_2$) and six-coordinate *trans*-dioxo technetium(V) species. The syntheses and characterization of $\text{Pent}(\text{AO})_2$ and the technetium-99 complexes with these amine oxime ligands are reported.

Experimental Section

General Data. Syntheses were performed with technetium-99, a low-energy (0.292 MeV) β -particle emitter with a half-life of 2.12×10^5 years. When handled in milligram quantities, ⁹⁹Tc does not present a serious health hazard since common laboratory materials provide adequate shielding. Bremsstrahlung is not a significant problem due to the

Table I. Ligand Nomenclature

ligand	acronym	name
$-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$	En	ethylene
$-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$	Pn	propylene
$-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$	Bn	butylene
$-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$	Pent	pentyl
	AO	3-amino-3-methyl-2-butanone oxime or amine oxime
	$\text{En}(\text{AO})_2$	3,3,8,8-tetramethyl-4,7-diazaundecane-2,9-dione dioxime
	$\text{Pn}(\text{AO})_2$	3,3,9,9-tetramethyl-4,8-diazaundecane-2,10-dione dioxime
	$\text{Bn}(\text{AO})_2$	3,3,10,10-tetramethyl-4,9-diazaundecane-2,11-dione dioxime
	$\text{Pent}(\text{AO})_2$	3,3,11,11-tetramethyl-4,10-diazaundecane-2,12-dione dioxime

low energy of the β -particle emission, but normal radiation safety procedures must be used at all times to prevent contamination.

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All common laboratory chemicals were of reagent grade. The AO, En(AO)₂, and Bn(AO)₂ ligands were available from a previous study and were synthesized and purified as previously described.⁷⁻⁹ Technetium-99, as a solution of ammonium pertechnetate, was obtained from Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, TN. Silica gel (NMFC No. 46050) and silica gel 60 TLC plates (catalog no. 5538-7) were obtained from J. T. Baker Chemical Co. and MCB Reagents (Merck), respectively. 1,5-Diaminopentane was obtained from Aldrich Chemical Co. Elemental analyses were performed by MicAnal, Tuscon, AZ.

Pent(AO)₂ (3,3,11,11-Tetramethyl-4,10-diazatridecane-2,12-dione Dioxime). Pent(AO)₂ was synthesized by a procedure similar to that for Pn(AO)₂.⁷⁻⁹ A 9.214-g (0.068-mol) sample of chloroxime (3-chloro-3-methyl-2-butanone oxime) was dissolved in 40 mL of freshly distilled methanol. The mixture was brought to 0 to -5 °C in an ice-acetone bath, and 3.5 mL (0.030 mol) of 1,5-diaminopentane was added. With stirring the reaction mixture was maintained at 0-5 °C for 2 h, allowed to warm to room temperature, refluxed for 16 h (overnight), and then cooled to room temperature. The solvent was removed by rotoevaporation, and the orange glass was extracted with water and adjusted to pH 10-11 with saturated Na₂CO₃ and NaOH. The gummy white precipitate was filtered and recrystallized from hot methanol. The recrystallized product was filtered out and washed with water, cold methanol, and finally diethyl ether. The product was vacuum-dried. Yield: 5.048 g (56%). Mp: 135-137 °C. Anal. Calcd for C₁₅H₃₂O₂N₄: C, 60.00; H, 10.67; N, 18.67. Found: C, 59.15; H, 10.72; N, 18.67. ¹H NMR (dmsO-d₆): 1.112 (singlet, 12 H, -CH₃), 1.281 (multiplet, 6 H, -CH₂-), 1.697 (singlet, 6 H, -CH₃), 2.177 (multiplet, 4 H, -CH₂-), 10.402 ppm (singlet, 2 H, N-OH). ¹³C NMR (dmsO-d₆): 8.978 (-CH₃), 24.861 (-CH₂-), 25.747 (-CH₃), 30.364 (-CH₂-), 42.726 (-CH₂-), 56.746 (quaternary C), 160.202 ppm (C=N).

Synthesis of TcO(AO)₂. To 0.018 g (0.16 mmol) of AO dissolved in 2 mL of H₂O were added 1.60 mL of 0.0309 M NH₄TcO₄ (0.049 mmol) and 2-3 mL of 1 M NaHCO₃ (to pH 8-9). While the mixture was stirred, 0.017 g (0.064 mmol) of SnC₄H₄O₆ in 1-2 mL of H₂O was added dropwise. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 10 min and filtered, and the filtrate was then rotoevaporated to ~1/2 mL. The orange-yellow product was extracted into CHCl₃; the resultant mixture was dried through anhydrous Na₂SO₄ by gravity filtration and then rotoevaporated to dryness. The residue was taken up in a minimum volume of CHCl₃ (~1/2 mL), diethyl ether was added, and the solution was placed in the freezer to crystallize. The orange crystalline product was filtered out, washed with ether, and air-dried. Yield: ~35-40%. Anal. Calcd for TcO₃N₄C₁₀H₂₁: C, 34.88; H, 6.10; N, 16.28. Found: C, 33.60; H, 5.58; N, 15.27.

Synthesis of TcOEn(AO)₂. A 0.054-g (0.209-mmol) sample of En(AO)₂ was dissolved in 10 mL of H₂O and 1 drop of 5 M HCl. A 3.10-mL portion of 0.0364 M NH₄TcO₄ (0.113 mmol), 2 mL of 1 M NaHCO₃ (to pH 8-9), and 30 mL of diethyl ether were added. While the mixture was stirred, 0.079 g (0.296 mmol) of SnC₄H₄O₆ in 2 mL of H₂O was added dropwise. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 10 min. The yellow ether layer was collected, and the aqueous layer was exhaustively extracted with ether. The combined ether fractions were dried through anhydrous Na₂SO₄ by gravity filtration and then rotoevaporated to dryness. The residue was taken up in a minimum volume of ether, and the resultant mixture was allowed to crystallize in the freezer. The orange crystalline product was filtered out, washed quickly with cold ether, and air-dried. Yield: ~40-50%.

Synthesis of TcO₂Bn(AO)₂. A 0.020-g (0.070-mmol) sample of Bn(AO)₂ was dissolved in 5 mL of H₂O and 2 drops of 5 M HCl. A 1.50-mL portion of 0.0338 M NH₄TcO₄ (0.051 mmol) and 2-3 mL of 1 M NaHCO₃ (to pH 8-9) were added. While the mixture was stirred, 0.017 g (0.064 mmol) of SnC₄H₄O₆ in 1-2 mL of H₂O was added dropwise, followed by 20-30 mL of CHCl₃. The reaction mixture was

Table II. Crystal Data, Data Collection Parameters, and Refinement Parameters

	TcOEn(AO) ₂	TcO ₂ Pent(AO) ₂ ·2CHCl ₃
formula	TcO ₃ N ₄ C ₁₂ H ₂₃	TcO ₄ Cl ₆ N ₄ C ₁₇ H ₃₅
fw	369.34	670.21
space group	<i>Pbca</i>	<i>P</i> $\bar{1}$
<i>a</i> , Å	11.581 (2)	11.418 (2)
<i>b</i> , Å	12.596 (4)	13.940 (7)
<i>c</i> , Å	21.155 (3)	18.992 (10)
α , deg	90	69.29 (4)
β , deg	90	90.00 (3)
γ , deg	90	83.69 (3)
<i>V</i> , Å ³	3086.0 (5)	2808.0 (8)
<i>Z</i>	8	4
<i>D</i> _{calcd} , g/cm ³	1.590 (1)	1.585 (2)
cryst size, mm	0.25 × 0.3 × 0.4	0.3 × 0.2 × 0.2
μ , cm ⁻¹	9.22	11.06
rel transmission factors	92.6-99.7	94.0-99.9
scan method	θ - 2θ	θ - 2θ
scan range, deg θ	0.56 + 0.35 tan θ	0.45 + 0.35 tan θ
scan speed	to give 3% counting statistics up to a max of 90 s	to give 4% counting statistics up to a max of 90 s
no. of reflns measd	4018	7118
no. of indep reflns	2034	6855
no. of indep reflns above 2 σ used in refinement	1732	5121
no. of variables	274	653
<i>hkl</i> range colld	<i>h, k, l</i> ($2\theta = 4-45^\circ$) <i>h, k, l</i> ($2\theta = 4-40^\circ$)	$\pm h, \pm k, l$
θ range, deg	45 in 2θ	44 in 2θ
<i>R</i> (<i>F</i>)	0.022	0.043
<i>R</i> _w (<i>F</i>)	0.034	0.059
max shift error on last cycle	0.10	0.40

stirred at room temperature for 10 min. The greenish gold CHCl₃ layer was collected, and the aqueous phase was exhaustively extracted with CHCl₃. The combined CHCl₃ fractions were dried through anhydrous Na₂SO₄ by gravity filtration and rotoevaporated to dryness. The residue was taken up in a minimum volume of methanol. The product was purified on a silica gel column prepared in methanol. The desired TcO₂Bn(AO)₂ was eluted as a green-gold band. The purified TcO₂Bn(AO)₂ was rotoevaporated to dryness, and the residue was taken up in a minimum volume of diethyl ether. The resultant mixture was filtered and placed in the freezer to allow crystallization. The golden precipitate was collected, washed with pentane, and air-dried. Yield: ~40-45%.

Synthesis of TcO₂Pent(AO)₂. A 0.030-g (0.10-mmol) sample of Pent(AO)₂ was dissolved in 5 mL of H₂O and 1 drop of 5 M HCl. A 1.60-mL portion of 0.0364 M NH₄TcO₄ (0.058 mmol) and 2 mL of 1 M NaHCO₃ (to pH 8-9) were added. While the mixture was stirred, 0.017 g (0.064 mmol) of SnC₄H₄O₆ in 1-2 mL of H₂O was added dropwise, followed by 30 mL of CHCl₃. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 30 min, and the yellow-orange CHCl₃ layer was collected. The aqueous layer was rotoevaporated to ~1 mL and then exhaustively extracted with CHCl₃. The various CHCl₃ extracts were combined, dried through anhydrous Na₂SO₄ by gravity filtration, and rotoevaporated to ~1/2-1 mL. Diethyl ether was added to the concentrate, and the mixture was placed in the freezer to crystallize. The orange crystalline product was filtered out and washed with ether. The product lost CHCl₃ from the crystal lattice on standing. Yield: ~25-30%. A crystal for X-ray diffraction analysis was taken directly from the supernatant and placed in a capillary tube, which was sealed to prevent the loss of CHCl₃.

Physical Measurements. Visible-UV spectra were recorded at ambient temperature on an LKB Ultraspec 4050 spectrophotometer interfaced to an Apple IIe computer. The infrared (IR) spectra were recorded as Nujol mulls on a Nicolet 20 DXB Fourier transform infrared spectrometer. The ¹H and proton-decoupled ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl₃, CD₂Cl₂, or dmsO-d₆ on a 300-MHz Nicolet NT-300 spectrometer.

Collection and Reduction of X-ray Data. X-ray diffraction data for TcO₂Pent(AO)₂·2CHCl₃ were collected with the crystal mounted and sealed in a capillary filled with CHCl₃ vapor because of solvent loss on exposure to the atmosphere. Diffraction data collection, crystal parameters, and refinement information are summarized in Table II. For both

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Table III. Visible-UV Spectrophotometric Results^a

complex	λ_{\max} , nm (ϵ , M ⁻¹ cm ⁻¹)	shoulders, nm ($\sim\epsilon$, M ⁻¹ cm ⁻¹)
TcO(AO) ₂	278 (6000)	378 (~780) 328 (~2600)
TcOEn(AO) ₂	283 (5070) 221 (12 000)	390 (~800) 330 (~3000)
TcOPn(AO) ₂	295 (8080)	360 (~3300)
TcO ₂ Bn(AO) ₂	590 (270)	410 (~1500) 289 (~5900)
TcO ₂ Pent(AO) ₂		480 (~390) 315 (~2900) 218 (~13 000)

^aSolvent: methanol. Results for TcOPn(AO)₂ from ref 3.

Table IV. Infrared Spectral Results^a

complex	Tc=O str, cm ⁻¹	complex	Tc=O str, cm ⁻¹
TcO(AO) ₂	934	TcO ₂ Bn(AO) ₂	784
TcOEn(AO) ₂	927	TcO ₂ Pent(AO) ₂	789, 794
TcOPn(AO) ₂	923		

^aIR spectra obtained as Nujol mulls. Results for TcOPn(AO)₂ from ref 3.

compounds the data were collected at 22 (1)°C on an Enraf-Nonius CAD4 automated diffractometer using graphite-monochromated Mo K α radiation ($\lambda = 0.7107 \text{ \AA}$). Lattice constants were obtained by least-squares fits of the setting angles of 25 carefully centered reflections for each compound. The intensities of three standard reflections measured after every 7200 s of X-ray exposure showed no significant variation. Orientation was checked after every 200 reflections with the use of three orientation standards. Recentering, using 25 reflections, was done if any of the orientation standards were found to be significantly off center.

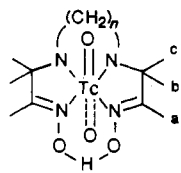
Solution and Refinement of the Structures. Both structures were solved by conventional Patterson and Fourier methods. The full-matrix least-squares refinements minimized $\sum w(|F_o| - |F_c|)^2$ where $w^{-1} = (\sigma^2_{\text{counting}} + (0.05F_o)^2)/4F^2$. Atomic scattering factors were taken from ref 10 and included anomalous scattering contributions. All calculations were done on a PDP 11/34 computer with an Enraf-Nonius SDP package. The maximum electron densities for TcOEn(AO)₂ on the final Fourier syntheses were less than 0.5 e/Å³. The hydrogen atoms were refined in this structure. For TcO₂Pent(AO)₂ the residual peaks with intensities of 0.5 to the maximum of 0.95 e/Å³ were in the vicinities of the disordered CHCl₃ molecules. No extinction correction was applied in this structure, and the hydrogen atoms were not refined. The oxime hydrogen position was obtained from a difference Fourier map while all other ligand hydrogens were placed in ideal X-ray positions. Those for the methyl groups were based on the location of at least one peak in a reasonable hydrogen atom position.

Results

The technetium(V) amine oxime complexes were prepared by the reduction of pertechnetate with stannous ion in the presence of ligand. The neutral TcO_xL_y was extracted into either diethyl ether or CHCl₃, purified, and isolated.

The visible-UV spectrophotometric data are given in Table III. The infrared spectral data are shown in Table IV. TcO(AO)₂ and TcOEn(AO)₂ exhibit a Tc=O stretch at ca. 930 cm⁻¹, as expected for a monooxo Tc(V) species. TcO₂Bn(AO)₂ and TcO₂Pent(AO)₂ do not exhibit a monooxo stretch but rather show absorbances at ca. 790 cm⁻¹, which can be attributed to the asymmetric stretch of the *trans*-dioxo Tc(V) species. The ¹H NMR spectral results are presented in Table V, and the ¹³C NMR results, in Table VI. The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra are as expected for the amine oxime ligands coordinated to the technetium(V) center.

The X-ray diffraction analysis of TcOEn(AO)₂ shows it to be five-coordinate and to have square-pyramidal geometry with the oxo group occupying the apical position, as was found for TcOPn(AO)₂.¹¹ The technetium atom lies 0.768 Å above the

Table V. ¹H NMR Spectral Results^a


complex (solvent)	<i>n</i>	protons	mult	δ
TcO(AO) ₂ (CDCl ₃)	0	a	singlet	2.254
		b, c	2 singlets	1.376 1.499
TcOEn(AO) ₂ (CDCl ₃)	2	a	singlet	2.165
		b, c	2 singlets	1.351 1.398
TcOPn(AO) ₂ (CDCl ₃)	3	a	singlet	2.226
		b, c	2 singlets	1.365 1.406
TcO ₂ Bn(AO) ₂ (CDCl ₃)	4	a	singlet	2.286
		b, c	2 singlets	1.406 1.482
TcO ₂ Pent(AO) ₂ (CD ₂ Cl ₂)	5	a	singlet	2.160
		b, c	2 singlets	1.496 1.540

^aOnly methyl signals are included. Results from ref 3.

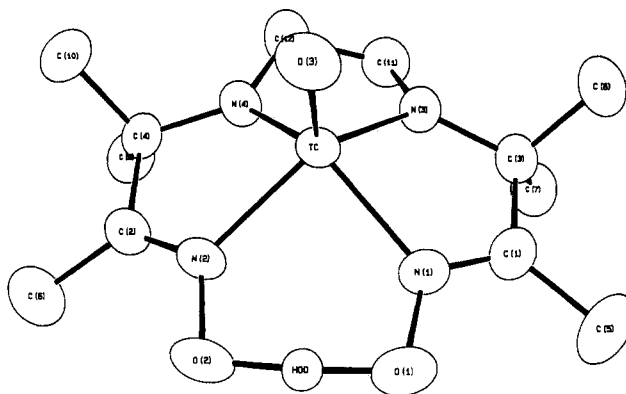


Figure 1. ORTEP representation of oxo(3,3,8,8-tetramethyl-4,7-diazadecane-2,9-dione dioximato(3-)-*N,N',N'',N'''*)technetium(V), TcOEn(AO)₂.

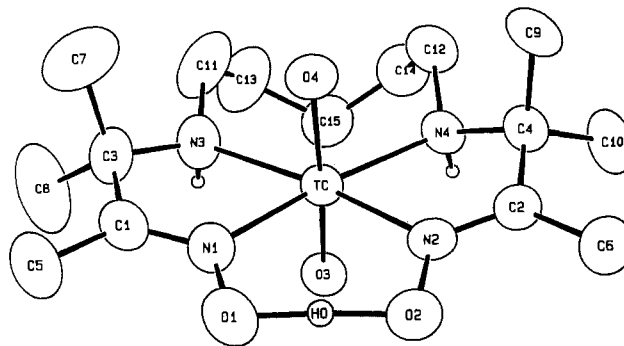


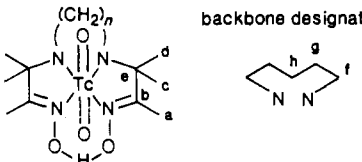
Figure 2. ORTEP representation of *trans*-dioxo(3,3,11,11-tetramethyl-4,10-diazatridecane-2,12-dione dioximato(1-)-*N,N',N'',N'''*)technetium(V), TcO₂Pent(AO)₂.

plane defined by the four nitrogen atoms. En(AO)₂ loses three protons (one oxime and two amine protons) on coordination to form a neutral complex with strong intramolecular hydrogen bonding between oxime oxygen atoms.

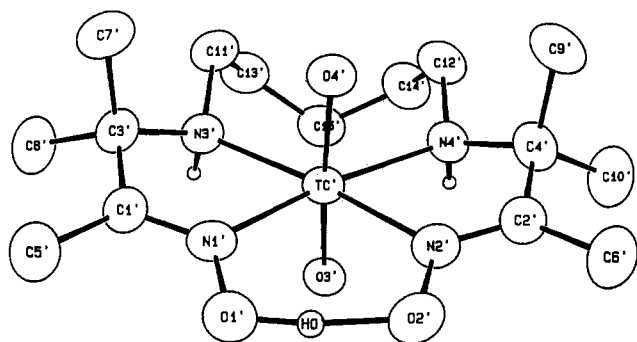
The X-ray diffraction study of TcO₂Pent(AO)₂ shows it to be six-coordinate and have a slightly distorted octahedral geometry with the technetium atom lying in the plane of the four nitrogens.

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Table VI. ^{13}C NMR Spectral Results^a


complex (solvent)	n	δ					
		a, c, d	b	e	f	g	h
TcO(AO) ₂ (CDCl ₃)	0	12.338 28.379 28.643	175.021	75.469			
TcOEn(AO) ₂ (CDCl ₃)	2	12.450 23.383 25.579	176.259	78.685	59.366		
TcOPn(AO) ₂ (CDCl ₃)	3	12.760 23.475 24.011	174.425	79.142	49.650	33.149	
TcO ₂ Bn(AO) ₂ (CDCl ₃)	4	12.975 24.257 24.723	173.306	81.233	51.388	28.388	
TcO ₂ Pent(AO) ₂ (CD ₂ Cl ₂)	5	12.410 21.019 24.828	160.032	68.771	45.100	31.293	18.978

^a Results from ref 3.Figure 3. ORTEP representation of *trans*-dioxo(3,3,11,11-tetramethyl-4,10-diazatridecane-2,12-dione dioximato(1-)-*N,N',N'',N'''*)technetium(V), TcO₂Pent(AO)₂.

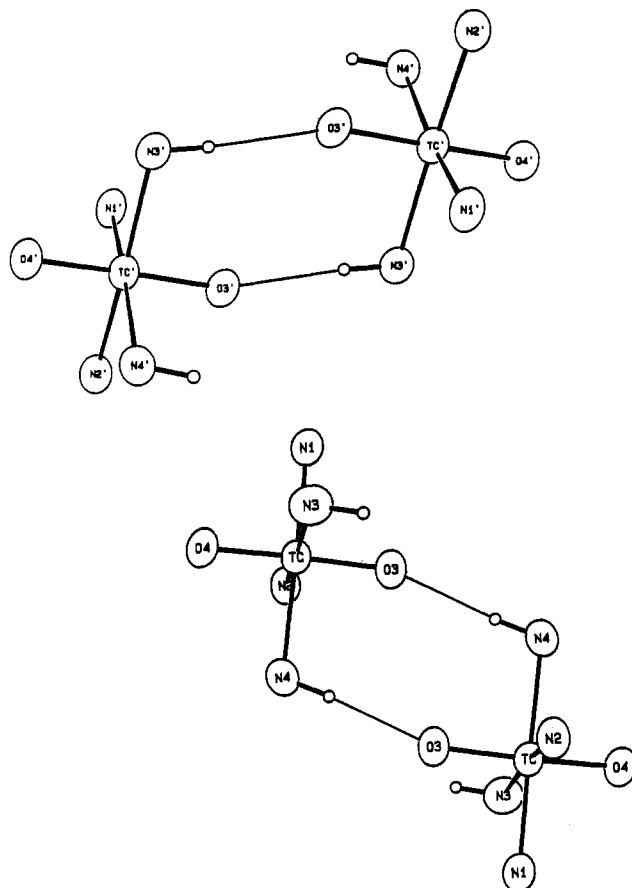
The oxygen–technetium–oxygen bond angle is 170° rather than the ideal 180°. One oxime proton is lost by the Pent(AO)₂ ligand on coordination, resulting in a neutral complex with a strong hydrogen bond between oxime oxygen atoms.

Crystal data together with details of the structure determinations are summarized in Table II; atomic fractional coordinates and isotropic thermal parameters are listed in Table VII. Selected bond lengths and bond angles are listed in Table VIII. ORTEP representations are given in Figure 1–4. Parameters for the hydrogen atoms, thermal parameters, listings of observed and calculated structure factors, bond distances and angles not reported, and least-squares planes are available as supplementary material.

Discussion

These technetium(V) amine oxime complexes in which the amine–amine backbone has been varied from a zero- to a five-carbon backbone are unusual. Both the monooxo and the *trans*-dioxo technetium(V) cores are observed for the same class of compounds. Apparently, steric constraints of the amine–amine backbone on coordination are an important factor in this determination (*vide infra*).

The technetium(V) complexes were prepared by the reduction of pertechnetate in the presence of ligand. The lipophilicity of these neutral complexes is indicated by their partition into diethyl ether and/or chloroform and by their behavior observed on silica gel TLC (methanol solvent): TcOPn(AO)₂ (*R_f* 0.8)³ > TcOEn(AO)₂ (*R_f* 0.74) > TcO₂Bn(AO)₂ (*R_f* 0.54) ≈ TcO₂Pent(AO)₂ (*R_f* 0.46) > TcO(AO)₂ (*R_f* 0.30). The more lipophilic the complex, the greater is its mobility (*R_f* value).

Figure 4. Intermolecular hydrogen bonding between symmetry-related TcO₂Pent(AO)₂ molecules and symmetry-related TcO₂Pent(AO)₂ molecules. This is not the orientation of the two sets of hydrogen-bonded dimers relative to each other.

TcO₂Bn(AO)₂ and TcO₂Pent(AO)₂, in which the two amine nitrogens are protonated, and TcO(AO)₂, in which there is no hydrocarbon backbone, are relatively hydrophilic when compared with TcOPn(AO)₂.

The infrared spectra of TcO(AO)₂ and TcOEn(AO)₂ indicate the presence of the monooxo Tc(V) core with the Tc=O stretch observed at 934 and 927 cm⁻¹, respectively (Table IV). These bands are comparable to those found for TcOPn(AO)₂ and its derivatives (908–923 cm⁻¹) (hereafter TcOPnX refers to TcOPn(AO)₂ and its derivatives).³ The IR spectra of TcO₂Bn(AO)₂ and TcO₂Pent(AO)₂ show no such monooxo vibrations but exhibit fairly intense absorptions in the region characteristic of the *trans*-dioxo Tc=O stretch (750–850 cm⁻¹).^{12–14} TcO₂Bn(AO)₂ exhibits a band at 784 cm⁻¹, and TcO₂Pent(AO)₂, bands at 794 and 789 cm⁻¹ (Table IV), which can be assigned as the asymmetric stretch for the O=Tc=O moiety.

The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra (Tables V and VI) do not allow differentiation between the monooxo and the *trans*-dioxo Tc(V) cores. All the spectra are consistent with an amine oxime ligand(s) coordinated to technetium(V). The amine–amine hydrocarbon backbone precludes the equivalency of the four methyl groups adjacent to the amine nitrogens in the *trans*-dioxo complexes.

The X-ray structure of TcOEn(AO)₂ shows it to be a five-coordinate, monooxo technetium(V) complex having square-pyramidal geometry (Figure 1). The two amine nitrogens and an oxime oxygen are coordinated on coordination. The two Tc–N_{amide} bonds are short, as was found for the TcOPnX complexes,

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Table VII. Atomic Fractional Coordinates and Isotropic Thermal Parameters for the Non-Hydrogen Atoms^a

atom	x	y	z	B, Å ²	atom	x	y	z	B, Å ²
TcOEn(AO)₂									
Tc	0.14245 (2)	0.15911 (2)	0.12476 (1)	2.353 (6)	C3	-0.0191 (2)	0.2642 (2)	0.0380 (1)	3.36 (6)
O1	-0.0499 (2)	0.0012 (2)	0.1085 (1)	4.65 (5)	C4	0.2065 (2)	0.2321 (2)	0.2506 (1)	2.97 (6)
O2	0.0485 (2)	-0.0103 (1)	0.2117 (1)	4.08 (5)	C5	-0.1614 (3)	0.1068 (3)	0.0111 (2)	5.75 (9)
O3	0.2585 (2)	0.1082 (2)	0.08847 (9)	3.94 (4)	C6	0.1441 (3)	0.0710 (3)	0.3220 (2)	5.08 (9)
N1	-0.0125 (2)	0.1001 (2)	0.0920 (1)	3.12 (5)	C7	-0.1169 (3)	0.3422 (3)	0.0506 (2)	4.44 (8)
N2	0.1080 (2)	0.0831 (2)	0.2090 (1)	2.79 (4)	C8	0.0226 (3)	0.2774 (3)	-0.0299 (2)	5.03 (8)
N3	0.0791 (2)	0.2781 (2)	0.0818 (1)	2.95 (5)	C9	0.1543 (3)	0.3098 (3)	0.2980 (2)	4.25 (8)
N4	0.1813 (2)	0.2628 (2)	0.1851 (1)	3.05 (5)	C10	0.3377 (3)	0.2242 (3)	0.2601 (2)	4.39 (8)
C1	-0.0636 (3)	0.1528 (2)	0.0485 (1)	3.54 (7)	C11	0.1050 (3)	0.3828 (2)	0.1087 (2)	3.73 (6)
C2	0.1507 (2)	0.1237 (2)	0.2586 (1)	2.99 (6)	C12	0.1915 (3)	0.3713 (2)	0.1603 (2)	4.64 (8)
TcO₂Pent(AO)₂ and TcO₂Pent(AO)₂'									
Tc	-0.34312 (4)	0.08952 (4)	0.38872 (3)	2.88 (1)	C12'	0.1332 (6)	0.3050 (5)	-0.0704 (4)	4.0 (2)
O1	-0.1063 (4)	-0.0276 (3)	0.3980 (2)	4.4 (1)	C13'	-0.1394 (6)	0.2315 (5)	-0.0389 (4)	4.0 (2)
O2	-0.2703 (4)	-0.1069 (3)	0.3647 (2)	4.0 (1)	C14'	0.0372 (6)	0.2983 (5)	-0.1238 (4)	4.4 (2)
O3	-0.3601 (4)	0.0200 (3)	0.4838 (2)	3.6 (1)	C15'	-0.0491 (6)	0.2172 (5)	-0.0949 (3)	3.8 (2)
O4	-0.3347 (4)	0.1775 (3)	0.2974 (2)	3.7 (1)	C1S	-0.7128 (8)	0.6578 (6)	0.2876 (4)	6.5 (2)
N1	-0.1616 (4)	0.0610 (4)	0.4032 (3)	3.5 (1)	C1I	-0.5464 (9)	0.6240 (7)	0.2907 (6)	9.2 (2)*
N2	-0.3647 (4)	-0.0334 (3)	0.3560 (3)	3.2 (1)	C12	-0.737 (1)	0.6373 (9)	0.3816 (7)	11.3 (3)*
N3	-0.2919 (5)	0.2147 (4)	0.4262 (3)	4.1 (1)	C13	-0.8016 (6)	0.5703 (5)	0.2779 (3)	7.8 (1)*
N4	-0.5356 (4)	0.1009 (4)	0.3688 (3)	3.3 (1)	C14	-0.5821 (8)	0.6486 (7)	0.2476 (5)	7.9 (2)*
C1	-0.0978 (6)	0.1260 (5)	0.4133 (3)	4.0 (2)	C15	-0.7055 (6)	0.6668 (5)	0.3770 (4)	5.7 (1)*
C2	-0.4630 (6)	-0.0413 (4)	0.3270 (3)	3.4 (1)	C16	-0.608 (1)	0.592 (1)	0.2546 (9)	8.7 (4)*
C3	-0.1628 (6)	0.2241 (5)	0.4191 (4)	4.5 (2)	C17	-0.6480 (8)	0.6331 (6)	0.3762 (5)	10.1 (2)*
C4	-0.5601 (6)	0.0453 (5)	0.3150 (3)	3.6 (1)	C18	-0.8453 (7)	0.5875 (6)	0.3104 (5)	9.5 (2)*
C5	0.0345 (6)	0.1102 (6)	0.4159 (4)	5.5 (2)	C19	-0.663 (1)	0.611 (1)	0.2172 (8)	8.2 (3)*
C6	-0.4767 (7)	-0.1284 (5)	0.3000 (4)	5.2 (2)	C110	-0.745 (1)	0.577 (1)	0.2470 (9)	8.1 (4)*
C7	-0.1445 (9)	0.3119 (7)	0.3432 (6)	8.5 (3)	C2S	0.2167 (8)	0.3478 (7)	0.6055 (5)	7.2 (3)
C8	-0.1144 (8)	0.2458 (7)	0.4847 (5)	9.2 (3)	C111	0.3467 (6)	0.4147 (5)	0.5834 (4)	8.6 (2)*
C9	-0.5601 (7)	0.1167 (6)	0.2325 (3)	4.7 (2)	C112	0.2083 (6)	0.3512 (5)	0.6986 (4)	6.3 (2)*
C10	-0.6807 (6)	0.0040 (6)	0.3324 (4)	5.5 (2)	C113	0.0667 (8)	0.3636 (7)	0.5777 (5)	11.2 (2)*
C11	-0.3725 (7)	0.3113 (6)	0.4093 (5)	6.9 (2)	C114	-0.157 (2)	0.600 (1)	0.495 (1)	11.3 (5)*
C12	-0.6045 (6)	0.2066 (5)	0.3472 (4)	4.6 (2)	C115	-0.148 (1)	0.6235 (9)	0.3245 (7)	13.2 (4)*
C13	-0.4713 (8)	0.3091 (6)	0.4571 (5)	6.8 (2)	C116	-0.055 (1)	0.616 (1)	0.3786 (8)	8.5 (3)*
C14	-0.6443 (6)	0.2320 (5)	0.4153 (4)	5.0 (2)	C117	-0.240 (1)	0.565 (1)	0.4782 (7)	7.8 (3)*
C15	-0.5539 (6)	0.2245 (5)	0.4751 (4)	4.7 (2)	C118	-0.254 (1)	0.6240 (9)	0.3101 (7)	12.9 (3)*
Tc'	0.15825 (4)	0.08557 (3)	0.06687 (3)	2.63 (1)	C119	0.3030 (6)	0.4304 (5)	0.5489 (3)	7.1 (1)*
O1'	0.2259 (4)	-0.1091 (3)	0.1948 (2)	3.8 (1)	C120	0.105 (1)	0.393 (1)	0.5414 (9)	9.3 (4)*
O2'	0.3932 (4)	-0.0356 (3)	0.1205 (2)	3.9 (1)	C3S	0.091 (1)	0.380 (1)	0.1402 (7)	4.2 (3)*
O3'	0.1416 (4)	0.0133 (3)	0.0097 (2)	3.09 (9)	C121	-0.0599 (3)	0.4092 (3)	0.1391 (2)	5.6 (1)
O4'	0.1673 (4)	0.1760 (3)	0.1100 (2)	3.43 (9)	C122	0.1552 (4)	0.4793 (3)	0.0705 (3)	6.1 (1)
N1'	0.1335 (4)	-0.0345 (3)	0.1643 (2)	3.0 (1)	C123	0.1553 (7)	0.3494 (6)	0.2291 (5)	6.0 (2)*
N2'	0.3398 (4)	0.0549 (3)	0.0681 (3)	3.1 (1)	C124	0.1499 (7)	0.3858 (6)	0.2270 (4)	5.5 (2)*
N3'	-0.0341 (4)	0.1020 (3)	0.0782 (2)	3.0 (1)	C4S	-0.412 (1)	0.383 (1)	0.1622 (8)	5.0 (3)*
N4'	0.2114 (4)	0.2060 (3)	-0.0375 (3)	3.1 (1)	C125	0.6547 (4)	0.4709 (3)	0.1951 (3)	7.1 (1)
C1'	0.0338 (6)	-0.0394 (4)	0.1958 (3)	3.5 (1)	C126	0.4405 (4)	0.4146 (4)	0.1491 (3)	7.7 (1)
C2'	0.4047 (5)	0.1185 (4)	0.0254 (3)	3.4 (1)	C127	0.6529 (4)	0.3849 (4)	0.0747 (3)	8.0 (1)
C3'	-0.0615 (5)	0.0491 (4)	0.1604 (3)	3.4 (1)	C5S	0.171 (1)	0.375 (1)	0.1430 (8)	5.4 (3)*
C4'	0.3410 (6)	0.2191 (5)	-0.0304 (3)	3.9 (2)	C128	0.0896 (4)	0.4622 (3)	0.0652 (2)	7.0 (1)
C5'	0.0164 (7)	-0.1265 (5)	0.2678 (4)	5.0 (2)	C129	0.1040 (4)	0.3626 (4)	0.2293 (3)	7.5 (1)
C6'	0.5361 (6)	0.1023 (6)	0.0331 (4)	5.2 (2)	C130	0.3098 (4)	0.4210 (4)	0.1455 (3)	7.8 (1)
C7'	-0.0604 (7)	0.1203 (5)	0.2058 (4)	4.5 (2)	C6S	-0.333 (1)	0.373 (1)	0.1598 (9)	5.9 (4)*
C8'	-0.1839 (6)	0.0103 (6)	0.1643 (4)	4.9 (2)	C131	0.6029 (9)	0.3969 (7)	0.0720 (5)	7.3 (2)*
C9'	0.3551 (6)	0.3044 (5)	0.0018 (4)	5.1 (2)	C132	-0.1869 (4)	0.4103 (3)	0.1394 (3)	7.0 (1)
C10'	0.3944 (7)	0.2421 (6)	-0.1079 (4)	5.5 (2)	C133	0.5873 (5)	0.4636 (4)	0.1907 (3)	7.7 (1)
C11'	-0.0995 (6)	0.2082 (5)	0.0427 (4)	3.9 (2)	C134	0.6104 (9)	0.3529 (8)	0.0854 (6)	7.8 (2)*

^aStarred values indicated atoms were refined isotropically.

indicating multiple-bond character (vide infra). The technetium atom is situated 0.78 Å above the plane of the four nitrogens, which is somewhat greater than the average 0.68 (5) Å found for the TcOPnX complexes.³ The smaller macrocyclic ring size of En(AO)₂ adds steric requirements forcing the Tc atom to be situated further above the four-nitrogen plane. The technetium-yl oxygen bond distance of 1.675 (2) Å is in accord with those observed for the TcOPnX complexes.³ This Tc=O bond distance is at the long end of the range observed for monooxo technetium(V) complexes (1.610 (4)–1.682 (5) Å^{3,11,14–18}), indicating the

weakening of the Tc=O bond by the multiple-bond character of the two Tc–N_{amide} bonds (1.89 Å as compared to 2.1 Å for typical Tc–N single bonds^{12,13,15}). The amide nitrogens are sp² hybridized, as were those in the TcOPnX complexes.³ The least-squares planes containing the technetium, the amide nitrogen, and the two carbons adjacent to the nitrogen (Tc,N3,C3,C11 and Tc,N4,C4,C12) are close to planar (supplementary material), and the angles about the nitrogen are on the order of 120°, consistent with sp²-hybridized amide N's. This feature is also observed in the TcOPnX complex.³

TcO₂Pent(AO)₂ is an unusual complex because it exhibits a dioxo core in a series of amine oxime complexes that is largely monooxo and because it forms an eight-membered chelate ring

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Table VIII. Comparison of Selected Bond Distances (Å) and Bond Angles (deg)

	TcOEn-(AO) ₂	TcO ₂ Pent-(AO) ₂	TcO ₂ Pent-(AO) ₂ '	TcOPn-(AO) ₂ ^a
Tc-O3	1.675 (2)	1.743 (3)	1.746 (3)	1.679 (3)
Tc-O4		1.744 (3)	1.742 (3)	
Tc-N1	2.062 (2)	2.067 (4)	2.054 (4)	2.093 (4)
Tc-N2	2.063 (2)	2.056 (4)	2.068 (4)	2.086 (3)
Tc-N3	1.900 (2)	2.235 (4)	2.201 (4)	1.908 (3)
Tc-N4	1.881 (2)	2.208 (4)	2.233 (4)	1.917 (3)
N1-O1	1.364 (3)	1.361 (5)	1.365 (5)	1.339 (4)
N2-O2	1.365 (3)	1.370 (5)	1.378 (5)	1.354 (4)
N1-C1	1.279 (4)	1.286 (7)	1.284 (6)	
N2-C2	1.268 (4)	1.284 (6)	1.276 (6)	
N3-C3	1.476 (4)	1.497 (6)	1.522 (6)	1.502 (5)
N4-C4	1.467 (3)	1.527 (6)	1.522 (7)	1.473 (5)
N3-C11	1.468 (4)	1.479 (7)	1.502 (6)	1.463 (5)
N4-C12	1.469 (4)	1.510 (6)	1.488 (6)	1.474 (5)
O3-Tc-O4		170.2 (1)	170.1 (1)	
O3-Tc-N1	133.9 (1)	91.3 (1)	93.5 (1)	108.6 (1)
O3-Tc-N2	111.94 (9)	93.7 (1)	90.9 (1)	110.5 (1)
O3-Tc-N3	113.1 (1)	86.3 (1)	89.6 (1)	110.2 (2)
O3-Tc-N4	112.6 (1)	89.2 (1)	85.5 (1)	110.1 (1)
O4-Tc-N1		92.0 (1)	95.5 (1)	
O4-Tc-N2		95.1 (1)	92.2 (1)	
O4-Tc-N3		85.6 (2)	88.5 (1)	
O4-Tc-N4		88.8 (1)	86.2 (1)	
N1-Tc-N2	87.41 (9)	96.3 (2)	96.6 (2)	85.7 (1)
N1-Tc-N3	77.73 (9)	75.6 (2)	76.5 (1)	77.8 (2)
N1-Tc-N4	133.4 (1)	172.1 (1)	171.9 (1)	141.0 (1)
N2-Tc-N3	134.84 (9)	171.8 (2)	173.1 (1)	139.0 (1)
N2-Tc-N4	77.40 (9)	75.9 (1)	75.4 (1)	77.0 (1)
N3-Tc-N4	82.5 (1)	112.5 (1)	111.4 (1)	92.7 (2)

^a Results from ref 3.

on coordination. It has a somewhat distorted octahedral geometry (Figures 2 and 3), and Pent(AO)₂ loses only an oxime proton on coordination, the two amine nitrogen protons being retained. The average Tc-N_{amine} bond distance of 2.22 Å is in the range observed for Tc-N single bonds (2.0–2.3 Å^{12,13,16}), and the average technetium-yl oxygen bond distance of 1.74 Å is typical for *trans*-dioxo technetium(V) complexes.^{12,13} There are two independent molecules of TcO₂Pent(AO)₂ in the asymmetric unit. The difference between them lies in the hydrogen bonding of an amine proton on one TcO₂Pent(AO)₂ to an oxo group of the symmetry-related TcO₂Pent(AO)₂. This results in a hydrogen-bonded dimer configuration (Figure 4). TcO₂Pent(AO)₂ shows the amine proton on N4 hydrogen bonded to O3 of its symmetry-related molecule, while TcO₂Pent(AO)₂' shows the amine proton on N3' hydrogen bonded to O3' on its symmetry-related molecule. The asymmetric unit also contains four CHCl₃ molecules. Two CHCl₃ molecules are disordered down a channel through the crystal, while the third and fourth CHCl₃ molecules are orientationally disordered at two sites.

The complex is somewhat skewed from octahedral geometry presumably due to steric constraints of the Pent(AO)₂ ligand. The two *trans* oxo atoms form a 170° angle with the technetium, and the N3-Tc-N4 angle (the two amine nitrogens and the technetium) is 112°. This particular stability of the anomalous dioxo core for this complex also seems to lie in the steric requirements of the Pent(AO)₂ ligand (*vide infra*).

The distance between N3 and N4 is 3.68 Å in TcO₂Pent(AO)₂, while the average N3-N4 distance is 2.72 Å for the TcOPnX complexes and 2.49 Å for TcOEn(AO)₂. The pentylene backbone may make conditions very unfavorable for N3 and N4 to be close enough to each other and the technetium to deprotonate, forming two sp² amide nitrogens and resulting in the monooxo technetium(V) complex.

Our evidence suggests that the technetium(V) complex with Bn(AO)₂ also contains the *trans*-dioxo core, although we cannot eliminate the possibility of [TcOBn(AO)₂]₂O dimer containing a μ-oxo bridge. The similarity of the chemical properties of TcO₂Bn(AO)₂ to those of TcO₂Pent(AO)₂ suggest a monomer. The UV-visible spectra of TcO₂Bn(AO)₂ and TcO₂Pent(AO)₂

are significantly different from those of TcOPnX, TcOEn(AO)₂, and TcO(AO)₂. The IR spectrum shows no monooxo-technetium stretch but does show a band in the region characteristic for the dioxo-technetium stretch. The NMR evidence is not useful in distinguishing the monooxo and *trans*-dioxo cores for the technetium(V) amine oxime complexes. Elemental analysis also allows no discrimination since the calculated values for the monooxo and the *trans*-dioxo complexes are within experimental errors. The chemical properties of TcO₂Bn(AO)₂ are much more like those of TcO₂Pent(AO)₂ than those of TcOPnX or TcOEn(AO)₂. Both TcO₂Bn(AO)₂ and TcO₂Pent(AO)₂ are significantly more hydrophilic than TcOPnX and TcOEn(AO)₂. Their solubilities are also very similar.

Transition-metal complexes with these amine oxime ligands, excluding the Pent(AO)₂ ligand, are well established in the literature.^{19–22} They coordinate through the amine and oxime nitrogens, and in all cases except those of technetium, the amine nitrogens remain protonated. In this series of technetium(V) complexes we observe cases in which the amine nitrogens are deprotonated and those in which they remain protonated. In a previous study we reported the TcOPnX complexes,³ in which the amine nitrogens had been deprotonated on coordination and the monooxo technetium(V) core was observed. Here we observe both the monooxo and *trans*-dioxo cores for the same ligand system, the only variant being the amine-amine backbone length and thereby the overall ring size on complex formation. Davison²³ and Deutsch²⁴ suggest that the electronic nature of the ligands *cis* to the oxo group is the primary factor in determining whether the TcO³⁺ or *trans*-TcO₂⁺ core will be observed. Generally, anionic ligands (e.g., chloride or thiolate), by partially neutralizing some of the charge of the Tc(V) center, induce the formation of the TcO³⁺ core. However, hard, neutral ligands (e.g., amines) and π-acid ligands (e.g., CN⁻) favor the *trans*-TcO₂⁺ core because of their opposite effect on the electron density at technetium. Both the TcO³⁺ and *trans*-TcO₂⁺ cores observed for the technetium(V) amine oxime complexes are consistent with electronic or charge neutralization factors. For the complexes with the TcO³⁺ core, the amine nitrogens of the ligand are negatively charged amide nitrogens and thus help neutralize the charge of the Tc(V) center. Where the *trans*-TcO₂⁺ core is observed, the amine nitrogens remain protonated and behave as hard, neutral donor atoms. Therefore, a second oxo group is needed for charge neutralization.

The length of the amine-amine hydrocarbon backbone is the primary difference between the amine oxime ligands forming the TcO³⁺ complexes and those forming the *trans*-TcO₂⁺ complexes. This suggests that steric constraints are very important in determining whether the monooxo or *trans*-dioxo Tc(V) core is favored. This is supported by the observation that the technetium(V) complex with AO, which contains no hydrocarbon backbone and thus imposes no steric constraints, contains the monooxo Tc(V) core. Obviously, the monooxo Tc(V) core is favored with these amine oxime complexes. This is in agreement with our argument that more stabilization is obtained through deprotonation and sp² hybridization of the amine nitrogens of the ligand and through the formation of two Tc-N multiple bonds as with TcOPnX than is achieved by the formation of the *trans*-dioxo species.³

Steric interactions of the pentyl and butyl backbones of TcO₂Pent(AO)₂ and TcO₂Bn(AO)₂, respectively, constrain the bite angle and coordination bonding distances of the amine nitrogens in such a way to inhibit the formation of the more favorable TcO³⁺ core. In the five-membered ring system with the

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two-carbon backbone ($\text{TcOEn}(\text{AO})_2$) the bite angle of the nitrogens is $82.5 (1)^\circ$, the nitrogens are deprotonated and planar, and the N-Tc distances are short. Adding a third carbon to the backbone to make a six-membered ring ($\text{TcOPn}(\text{AO})_2$) introduces some change, as shown by the increased bite angle (92.7°). However, the nitrogens are still deprotonated and planar and the Tc-N distances remain nearly the same. The five- and six-membered ring systems are able to accommodate the planar nitrogens without much strain. Increasing the backbone size to five carbons gives an eight-membered ring ($\text{TcO}_2\text{Pent}(\text{AO})_2$). This increased ring size makes it difficult to maintain a small bite angle and short Tc-N distances without considerable puckering of the ring. This same argument must apply to the seven-membered ring system with a four-carbon backbone ($\text{TcO}_2\text{Bn}(\text{AO})_2$). In the larger ring systems ring strain inhibits deprotonation of the nitrogens by favoring tetrahedral sp^3 nitrogens and long Tc-N distances.

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Detailed Study of a Two-Step Quintet \rightleftharpoons Singlet Spin Transition in an Iron(II) Complex with a N_3O_2 Macrocyclic Ligand and the Kinetics of the Quintet \rightarrow Singlet Relaxation in the Temperature Range 115–130 K

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The complicated high-spin (HS, $S = 2$) \rightleftharpoons low-spin (LS, $S = 0$) transition in the solid iron(II) complex $[\text{FeL}(\text{CN})_2]\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ of a N_3O_2 macrocyclic Schiff-base ligand L has been studied in detail. When the sample is cooled slowly, a transition from the HS form to a form with approximately equal proportions of HS and LS is observed ($T_c^1 = 207$ K). The transition is reversible ($T_c^2 = 222$ K) and, due to the pronounced hysteresis of $\Delta T_c = 15$ K, thermodynamically first order. On reasonably fast cooling ($10\text{--}20$ K min^{-1}) from 300 K to temperatures between 150 and 160 K, the HS form is retained but transforms after several minutes into the LS form. The lower the temperature, the greater the LS fraction. The transformation is irreversible and fast, and below ~ 150 K it is practically complete. On warming of the LS form, a transformation to the HS:LS = 1:1 form is observed at $T_c = 157$ K. If the sample is rapidly quenched to 77 K, the HS form is frozen in, an irreversible transformation to LS setting in if the sample is warmed to above 110 K. The kinetics of the HS \rightarrow LS relaxation has been investigated between 115.7 and 130.0 K. The rate constant for the process varies between $k = 6.77 \times 10^{-5}$ and 2.31×10^{-3} s^{-1} , the activation energy being $\Delta E = 7.3$ kcal mol^{-1} . In X-ray diffraction, the transformations are characterized by the replacement of individual diffraction patterns, thus establishing that the unit cells of the forms involved are all different. The quadrupole splitting for the LS form ΔE_Q^{LS} is characterized by a significant dependence on $t_{\text{HS}}/t_{\text{tot}}$ and thus n_{HS} . It is believed that the dependence arises since the HS form is seven-coordinate, while the LS form is six-coordinate with one other oxygen of the macrocycle uncoordinated.

Introduction

Recently, we have reported³ on the synthesis and some unusual properties of the iron(II) complex $[\text{FeL}(\text{CN})_2]\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ with the macrocyclic Schiff-base ligand L derived from the condensation of 2,6-diacetylpyridine with 3,6-dioxaoctane-1,8-diamine. Magnetic susceptibilities and the ^{57}Fe Mössbauer effect, which were studied over the temperature range 80–300 K, revealed a complex variation of the ground state with temperature. At ambient temperature, the thermodynamically stable form is high spin (HS), evidence being the effective magnetic moment $\mu_{\text{eff}} = 5.09 \mu_B$ and the Mössbauer spectrum characterized by the quadrupole splitting $\Delta E_Q = 3.18$ mm s^{-1} and the isomer shift $\delta^{\text{IS}} = +0.84$ mm s^{-1} at 293 K. When the complex was slowly cooled to 225 K, the magnetic moment started to decrease, its value leveling out below ca. 210 K at $3.58 \mu_B$. Mössbauer-effect measurements showed

that the apparently stable form consists of the high-spin (HS) and low-spin (LS) ground states in an almost equal proportion. The transition is reversible, although the transformation to the pure HS state arises at ca. 220 K, i.e. at a somewhat higher temperature. There is therefore a pronounced hysteresis loop associated with the transition. The HS form may be frozen in if the sample is rapidly cooled in liquid nitrogen. Slow warming of the quenched-in HS complex produced an abrupt decrease of the magnetic moment above ca. 110 K from 5.0 to $\sim 1.00 \mu_B$. On the basis of the Mössbauer study, the result of this transformation is the practically pure LS state of the complex characterized, at 151.2 K, by the values $\Delta E_Q = 1.43$ mm s^{-1} and $\delta^{\text{IS}} = +0.28$ mm s^{-1} . If the sample is now slowly warmed up, first a transformation to the HS:LS = 1:1 form is observed around 153 K, followed by the transformation to the pure HS state in the region 200–218 K.

The above results have thus established the existence of a thermally controlled high-spin ($S = 2$) \rightleftharpoons low-spin ($S = 0$) transition in the complex $[\text{FeL}(\text{CN})_2]\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$. It should be noted that the pure LS state has been obtained separately by way of transformation of the quenched-in HS form at low temperatures. The reversible spin-state transition has thus been established only

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