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# COMPLEXES OF 8-AMINOQUINOLINE. II\*. THE INFRARED SPECTRA OF THE BIS- AND MONO(AMINOQUINOLINE) COMPLEXES OF METAL(II) HALIDES

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The infrared spectra of the complexes  $M(aq)_2(H_2O)_2X_2$  ( $M = Fe, Co, Ni, Cu$ ;  $aq = 8\text{-aminoquinoline}$ ;  $X = Cl, Br$ ) have been determined over the range  $4000\text{--}50\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Absence of  $\nu M\text{-}X$  bands indicates that the halide is not coordinated to the metal ion and the complexes are correctly formulated  $[M(aq)_2(H_2O)_2]X_2$ . Deuteration of the amino group and the effects of metal ion substitution enable assignment of the  $\nu M\text{-}NH_2$ ,  $\nu M\text{-}N$  and  $\nu M\text{-}OH_2$  modes as well as the amino group vibrations.  $^{18}O$ -Labelling assists in identifying the  $\nu O\text{-}H$ ,  $\nu O\text{-}H\cdots X$  and  $\delta O\text{-}H$  bands. The spectra are consistent with *trans*-octahedral coordination and axial bonding of the water molecules. The far infrared spectra of the *mono*(aminoquinoline) complexes  $[M(aq)X_2]_n$  ( $M = Cu, Zn$ ;  $X = Cl, Br$ ) are consistent with the proposed structure of polymeric octahedral coordination involving both bridging and terminal  $M\text{-}X$  bonds. The  $\nu M\text{-}NH_2$ ,  $\nu M\text{-}N$ ,  $\nu M\text{-}X(\text{terminal})$  and  $\nu M\text{-}X(\text{bridging})$  bands are assigned by studying the effects of amino group deuteration, metal ion substitution and halide substitution.

**Keywords:** 8-Aminoquinoline, complexes, first row, zinc, infrared spectra, isotopic labelling

## INTRODUCTION

There is considerable diversity of composition and structure among the metal(II) complexes of 8-aminoquinoline (*aq*).<sup>1</sup> Apart from the *tris*(*aq*) complexes  $[M(aq)_3]^{2+}$  which were discussed in Part I, *bis* and *mono*(*aq*) complexes of formula  $M(aq)_2(H_2O)_2X_2$  and  $[M(aq)X_2]_n$  ( $X = Cl, Br$ ) have been reported. None of these complexes has received crystallographic attention but this study will reveal the extent to which infrared spectroscopy may assist in elucidating their probable molecular structures.

## EXPERIMENTAL

The cobalt, nickel and copper complexes of formula  $[M(aq)_2(H_2O)_2]X_2$  were prepared by previously reported methods.<sup>2,3</sup> The iron complex was synthesized by the addition of an aqueous solution of iron(II) chloride to an ethanolic solution of *aq* in a 2.5:1 molar ratio. The red suspension was stirred for 0.5 hr and filtered to remove the complex which was washed with ethanol and dried over silica gel overnight under reduced pressure. The corresponding bromo complex could not be

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prepared by this method. The deuterated nickel and copper complexes were prepared as reported for the unlabelled compound except that EtOD and D<sub>2</sub>O were substituted for ethanol and water. The complex [Ni(aq)<sub>2</sub>(<sup>18</sup>OH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]Br<sub>2</sub> was prepared as described for the unlabelled compound except that H<sub>2</sub>O was replaced by <sup>18</sup>OH<sub>2</sub>.

The *mono*(aq) complexes [M(aq)X<sub>2</sub>]<sub>n</sub> were prepared as previously reported<sup>4,5</sup> for X = Cl; the bromides were prepared as follows. A methanolic solution of aq was added to an aqueous solution of the anhydrous metal bromide in a 1 : 1 molar ratio. The precipitate which formed after a few minutes was stirred for 0.5 hr and collected by filtration. It was washed with methanol and dried over silica gel under reduced pressure. The deuterated zinc complex was prepared using the appropriate deuterated solvents. The purity and sources of the labelled compounds were as follows: EtOD (99.8%, Aldrich), MeOD (99.0% Merck-Frosst), D<sub>2</sub>O (99.7%, Merck-Frosst) and <sup>18</sup>OH<sub>2</sub> (90.0%, Alfa). Analytical data are shown in Table I.

TABLE I  
Analytical data for metal(II) complexes of 8-aminoquinoline.

Complex	Calculated			Found		
	%C	%H	%N	%C	%H	%N
Fe(aq) <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	47.92	4.47	12.42	47.60	4.47	12.30
Co(aq) <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	47.59	4.43	12.33	47.40	4.25	12.20
Ni(aq) <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	47.62	4.44	12.34	47.45	4.20	12.25
Cu(aq) <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	47.12	4.39	12.21	47.05	4.25	12.15
Cu(aq- <i>d</i> ) <sub>2</sub> (D <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	46.31	4.32	12.00	47.00	4.40	12.15
Co(aq) <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> Br <sub>2</sub>	39.80	3.71	10.31	39.80	3.80	10.30
Ni(aq) <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> Br <sub>2</sub>	39.82	3.71	10.32	39.80	3.60	10.30
Ni(aq) <sub>2</sub> ( <sup>18</sup> OH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Br <sub>2</sub>	39.46	3.68	10.23	39.50	3.80	10.10
Ni(aq- <i>d</i> ) <sub>2</sub> (D <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> Br <sub>2</sub>	39.24	3.65	10.17	39.50	3.80	10.10
Cu(aq) <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> Br <sub>2</sub>	39.47	3.68	10.23	39.60	3.65	10.10
Cu(aq- <i>d</i> ) <sub>2</sub> (D <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> Br <sub>2</sub>	38.07	3.55	9.87	38.30	3.40	9.75
Cu(aq)Cl <sub>2</sub>	38.80	2.89	10.05	38.80	2.85	10.05
Zn(aq)Cl <sub>2</sub>	38.54	2.88	9.99	38.85	3.00	9.80
Zn(aq- <i>d</i> )Cl <sub>2</sub>	38.27	2.85	9.92	37.80	2.95	9.80
Cu(aq)Br <sub>2</sub>	29.41	2.19	7.62	29.25	2.20	7.45
Zn(aq)Br <sub>2</sub>	29.27	2.18	7.58	28.90	2.20	7.40

The mid-IR spectra were determined on Nujol mulls (4000–180 cm<sup>-1</sup>) between CsI plates and as hexachlorobutadiene mulls (3500–2000 and 1500–1300 cm<sup>-1</sup>) between CsI plates on a Perkin-Elmer 983 spectrophotometer. The far-IR spectra (500–50 cm<sup>-1</sup>) were determined on Nujol mulls between polyethylene plates on a Digilab FTS 16B/D interferometer.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

*The bis(8-aminoquinoline)bis(aquo) complexes [M(aq)<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>]X<sub>2</sub> (M = Fe, Co, Ni, Cu; X = Cl, Br)*

The spectra of these complexes are depicted in Figure 1 and the frequencies are reported in Table II. Actual tracings of the spectra of the complex derived from NiBr<sub>2</sub> and its ND<sub>2</sub>-analogue are shown in Figure 2.

TABLE II  
 Frequencies ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) and band assignments of the complexes  $[\text{M}(\text{aq})_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]\text{X}_2$  in the regions 3500–3000 and 1700–50  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . Shifts  $\leq 1 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  are not reported.

	M = Fe		M = Co		M = Ni		M = Cu		Assignment
	X = Cl	X = Br	X = Cl	X = Br	X = Cl	X = Br <sup>a</sup>	X = Cl <sup>a</sup>	X = Br <sup>a</sup>	
n.o. <sup>b</sup>		3289	3305	3323(831,864) <sup>c</sup>	3323(831,864) <sup>c</sup>	3409(901)	3414(890)		vO-H
3202	3199	3197	3208	3197(802)	3197(802)		3146(787)		{ vN-H asym
		3151		3152(787)					vO-H...X
3098	3104	3102	3100	3104(747) <sup>d</sup>	3078(709)	3109(768)	3051(787)		vN-H sym
3078	3082	3078	3080	3078(709)		3062(803)	1651(2)		{ v ring
1646	1647		1651			1630(+8)	1631		{ NH <sub>2</sub> scissor
1623	1626	1632	1627	1633(0)			1621(5)		δO-H
1591	1592	1591	1593	1592(0)	1592(0)	1592(0)	1593(0)		{ ring + C-H modes
1576	1579	1573	1580	1574(420)	1577(425)	1569	1581(427)		
1505	1504	1527	1505	1533(379) <sup>e</sup>	1533(379) <sup>e</sup>	1508(0)	1503(+6)		
1472	1474	1502	1474	1504(0)	1504(0)	1475(0)	1476(0)		
		1472		1475(0)					
1423	1424	1421	1424	1443(+4)	1423(0)	1423(0)	1425(2)		
1397	1400	1401	1401	1424(0) <sup>f</sup>	1405(+2)	1405(+2)	1402(+5)		
		1392		1401(sh)	1400	1400	1393		
1385	1389		1400(sh)	1395(+5)	1382(0)	1382(0)	1382(0)		
1376	1375	1373	1376	1382(0)					
1316	1318	1316	1320	1374(0)		1318(0)	1319(0)		
1260	1262	1258	1262	1318(0)		1257(+2)	1255(+4)		
1244	1245	1243	1245	1258(0)		1246(0)	1247(0)		
1215	1216	1213	1216	1244(0)		1216(6)	1218(7)		
1203	1207	1204	1209	1215(sh)(+10)		1206	1209		
1174	1175	1174	1177	1207(2)		1174(+4)	1176(+2)		
1131	1132	1130	1141	1175(+2)		1145(8)	1153(15)		
1125	1120(sh)	1125	1133	1133(3)					
1076	1070	1078	1080	1078(0)		1084(4)	1085(5)		
1056	1059	1058	1062	1061(0)		1065(0)	1065(0)		
1028	1029	1028	1030	1030(+4)		1030(+3)	1030(+1)		
990	991	990	990	989(0)		989(0)	992(0)		
975	979	975	980	976(+2)		976(6)	979		
							958(+5)		
							952		

921	915	900	899(2)	905(7)	906(7)	$\omega\text{NH}_2$
894	898	829	827(4)	827(3)	828(0)	$\omega\text{NH}_2 + \gamma\text{C-H}$
829	829	808	808(0)	808(0)	810(0)	$\gamma\text{C-H}$
807	808	788	786(8)*	780(6)	782(7)	$\omega\text{NH}_2 + \nu$ ring
789	788	775	771(0)	767(n.o.) <sup>b</sup>	772(n.o.) <sup>b</sup>	$\gamma\text{C-H}$
775	775	719	718(+2.10)	723(9)	725(10)	{ $\rho\text{NH}_2 + \gamma$ ring
718	718	647	636(12)	643	647	
633	641			628(9)	632(12)	{ $\rho\text{NH}_2$
				608(26)	589(3)	
589	592	592	600(24)	575		{ $\rho\text{NH}_2 + \gamma$ ring
577	577	577	590(sh)(0)			
557	557	542	560(sh)(13)	539	546	$\rho\text{NH}_2$
528	537	506	531(0)	494(3)		
496	501	463	496(10)	463(+2)	462(+2)	$\rho\text{NH}_2 + \gamma$ ring
464	470	463		425(0)	427(0)	
419	428	433	431(15)	412(2)	408(4)	$\nu\text{M-NH}_2 + \gamma$ ring
370	381	390	390(9)			
314	314	315	324(0)	299(2)	297(0)	$\nu\text{M-NH}_2$
266	272	285	284(1)			
216	235	252	272(-)	279(0)	271(0)	$\gamma\text{C-N}$
			249(0)	264sh(-)	264sh(-)	
(216)	220	234	229(2)	216(0)	211(0)	{ $\gamma$ ring
180	189	219sh				
		191	206(2)	169(2)	193sh	
160	175	(191)	185(10)	183(5)	158(5)	$\nu\text{M-OH}_2$
138	135	139	138(0) <sup>h</sup>	154sh(-)	155(7)	
103	110	115	117(9) <sup>i</sup>	96(0)	83(0)	{ $\delta\text{L-M-L}$
88	99	104	95(0)	(96)(0)	(83)(0)	
	77	81	69(0)	77(0)	74(4)	{ Lattice + $\text{NH}_2$ torsion
55	55		55(0)	55(1)	69(0)	

\* Values in parentheses are the shifts induced by  $\text{ND}_2^+$  (and  $\text{D}_2\text{O}^-$ ) labeling of the complex. <sup>b</sup> n.o. = not observed. <sup>c</sup>  $^{18}\text{O}$  shift =  $7\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . <sup>d</sup>  $^{18}\text{O}$  shift =  $8\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . <sup>e</sup>  $^{18}\text{O}$  shift =  $12\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . <sup>f</sup>  $^{18}\text{O}$  shift =  $2\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . <sup>g</sup>  $^{18}\text{O}$  shift =  $3\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . <sup>h</sup>  $^{18}\text{O}$  shift =  $2\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . <sup>i</sup>  $^{18}\text{O}$  shift =  $5\text{ cm}^{-1}$ .

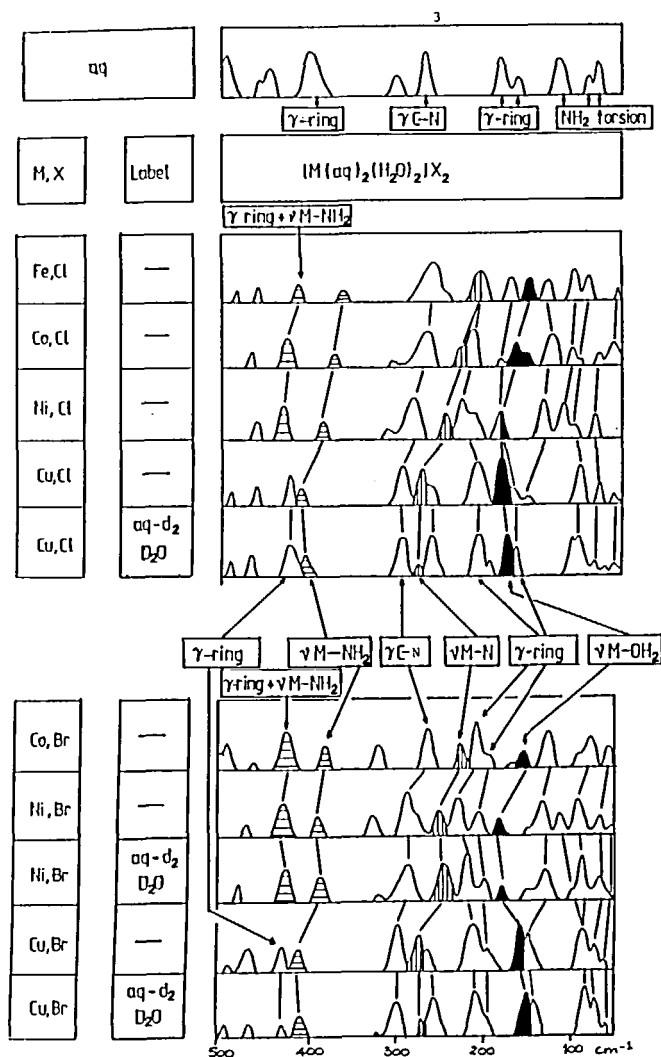


FIGURE 1 IR spectra of the complexes  $[M(aq)_2(H_2O)_2]X_2$ .

There has been no conclusive evidence in the literature as to whether water molecules or halide ions complete the octahedral stereochemistry in the complexes of this formula. From electronic spectra, Nielsen and Dahl<sup>5</sup> suggested that the nickel complex should be formulated  $[Ni(aq)_2(H_2O)_2]X_2$ . The i.r. spectra should reveal the presence of metal-halide stretching modes if the formulation is  $[M(aq)_2X_2] \cdot 2H_2O$  but no vibrational study has been reported. It will be seen below that no  $\nu M-X$  modes are observed and we conclude that the correct formulation is  $[M(aq)_2(H_2O)_2]X_2$ . Furthermore, by observing the effects on the spectra of deuteration of the amino group and of metal ion substitution and by comparing the spectra of the complexes with that of the ligand, firm assignments of the  $\nu M-NH_2$ ,  $\nu M-N$  and  $\nu M-OH_2$  bands may be elicited. <sup>18</sup>O-Labeling of the complex did not assist with the

assignment of the metal–ligand modes because the band shifts were within the limits of experimental error in the far-i.r. region.  $^{18}\text{O}$ -Labelling did, however, assist in identifying the O–H stretching and bending modes.

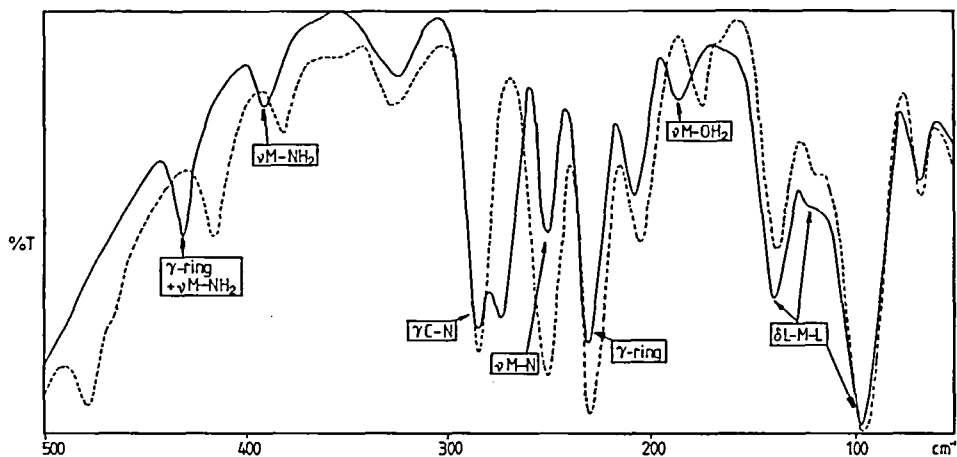


FIGURE 2. IR spectra of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{aq})_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]\text{Br}_2$  (—) and  $[\text{Ni}(\text{aq}-d_2)_2(\text{D}_2\text{O})_2]\text{Br}_2$  (---) in the region  $500\text{--}50\text{ cm}^{-1}$ .

### The $4000\text{--}500\text{ cm}^{-1}$ Region

The  $\nu\text{O-H}$  bands are relatively sharp, suggesting the presence of coordinated water molecules rather than crystal water. These bands are readily detected by their sensitivity towards deuteration ( $\Delta\nu$  between  $800$  and  $900\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) and towards  $^{18}\text{O}$ -labelling ( $\Delta\nu = 7\text{ cm}^{-1}$  in the  $\text{NiBr}_2$  complex). The band could not be detected in the iron complex. The O–H bending mode was only identified with certainty in the  $\text{CoBr}_2$  and  $\text{NiBr}_2$  complexes. In the latter, it was found to undergo a low frequency shift of  $12\text{ cm}^{-1}$  on  $^{18}\text{O}$ -labelling and a shift of  $379\text{ cm}^{-1}$  on  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$  deuteration. The only other band to exhibit a significant shift on  $^{18}\text{O}$ -labelling of the  $\text{NiBr}_2$  complex occurs at  $3104\text{ cm}^{-1}$  ( $\Delta\nu = 8\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ). This observation and its high sensitivity towards deuteration suggests that it probably originates in hydrogen bonded  $\nu\text{O-H}\cdots\text{Br}$ .

The NH stretches are readily identified within the range  $3200\text{--}3050\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Their  $d$ -sensitivities approximate the theoretical values calculated for deuteration of a hypothetical N–H diatomic species.<sup>6</sup> The  $\text{NH}_2$  scissoring mode is readily distinguished from the neighbouring ring modes near  $1600\text{ cm}^{-1}$  by its sensitivity towards deuteration, while the  $\text{NH}_2$  twisting, wagging and rocking modes are similarly identified near  $1150$ ,  $900\text{--}750$  and  $650\text{--}500\text{ cm}^{-1}$ , respectively. Bands near  $1200\text{ cm}^{-1}$  are likewise assigned to  $\nu\text{C-N}$ . The remaining bands within the range  $4000\text{--}500\text{ cm}^{-1}$  are assigned to the i.p. and o.o.p. ring and C–H modes by their absence of sensitivity to deuteration of the amino group and by comparison with the spectrum of 8-aminoquinoline.<sup>1</sup>

### The $500\text{--}50\text{ cm}^{-1}$ region

Figure 1 depicts the spectra in this region together with the spectrum of aq itself. The

latter is seen to be rich in far-i.r. bands (mainly  $\gamma$  ring o.o.p. bends). The  $\gamma$ -ring band at  $400\text{ cm}^{-1}$  in the spectrum of aq shifts to higher frequency on coordination and becomes metal sensitive in the crystal field stabilization energy (CFSE) sequence:  $\text{Fe} < \text{Co} < \text{Ni}$ . Deuteration of the  $\text{NiBr}_2$  complex reveals that the band is  $d$ -sensitive ( $\Delta\nu = 15\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ). We therefore assign this band to  $\nu\text{M-NH}_2 + \gamma$  ring except for the copper complexes where it loses its sensitivity to deuteration and becomes a pure  $\gamma$ -ring band. The band within the range  $370\text{--}412\text{ cm}^{-1}$  is assigned to a pure  $\nu\text{M-NH}_2$  mode on the grounds of its low intensity, its  $d$ -sensitivity ( $\Delta\nu$  between 2 and  $9\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) and its occurrence in a region free from ligand bands.

There is a strong band in each spectrum within the range  $260\text{--}300\text{ cm}^{-1}$  with a low or zero  $d$ -sensitivity. It corresponds in position with the strong band at  $267\text{ cm}^{-1}$  in the spectrum of 8-aminoquinoline.<sup>1</sup> This is assigned to the o.o.p.  $\gamma\text{C-N}$  mode. It is in a similar position to the  $\gamma\text{C-O}$  band of 8-hydroxyquinoline.<sup>7</sup>

Below the  $\gamma\text{C-N}$  band there is a band of moderate intensity which is assigned to  $\nu\text{M-N}$  on the basis of its absence of sensitivity to deuteration of the amino group, its position, which is close to that of  $\nu\text{M-N}$  in  $[\text{M}(\text{ox})_3]$ ,  $[\text{Ni}(\text{ox})_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]$  and  $[\text{Ni}(\text{aq})_3](\text{ClO}_4)_2$ ,<sup>1,8</sup> its occurrence in a region free from ligand bands and its marked sensitivity to the coordinated metal ion in the sequence  $\text{Fe} < \text{Co} < \text{Ni} < \text{Cu}$ .<sup>9</sup> The next two bands in decreasing frequency order are relatively insensitive towards deuteration of the amino group and to substitution of the metal ion. They are accordingly assigned to the  $\gamma$ -ring bands which occur at  $186$  and  $163\text{ cm}^{-1}$  in the free ligand spectrum.<sup>1</sup>

The following band in order of decreasing frequency occurs within the range  $160\text{--}190\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . It is sensitive to  $\text{ND}_2$  labelling ( $\Delta\nu$  between 5 and  $10\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) and is strongly metal-sensitive in the sequence  $\text{Fe} < \text{Co} < \text{Ni} > \text{Cu}$ . This sequence is the anticipated<sup>9</sup> order for  $\nu\text{M-OH}_2$  if tetragonal distortion of the copper complex involves elongation of the  $\text{Cu-OH}_2$  bonds (as occurs in the corresponding complex of 8-hydroxyquinoline, *trans*- $[\text{Cu}(\text{ox})_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]$ ).<sup>8</sup> All of these observations are consistent with the assignment of this band to  $\nu\text{M-OH}_2$ . The five bands within the range  $160\text{--}50\text{ cm}^{-1}$  remain for assignment to the metal-ligand bonding modes, the  $\text{NH}_2$  torsional modes and the lattice vibrations but there is no ready means of distinguishing between them.

In view of the large number of ligand bands within the far-i.r. region of 8-aminoquinoline, there is much vibrational coupling but we were able ultimately to identify three vibrationally pure metal-ligand stretching bands, *viz* one each for  $\nu\text{M-NH}_2$ ,  $\nu\text{M-N}$  and  $\nu\text{M-OH}_2$ . This finding suggests that these complexes have *trans*-octahedral symmetry as has been found for the complexes  $[\text{M}(\text{ox})_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]$  from both X-ray diffraction and vibrational spectroscopic studies.<sup>8</sup>

*The mono(8-aminoquinoline) complexes of metal(II) halides,  $[\text{M}(\text{aq})\text{X}_2]_n$  ( $\text{M} = \text{Cu}, \text{Zn}; \text{X} = \text{Cl}, \text{Br}$ )*

Complexes of formula  $[\text{M}(\text{R}_2\text{-aq})\text{X}_2]$  ( $\text{M} = \text{Ni}, \text{Cu}; \text{X} = \text{Cl}, \text{Br}; \text{R} = \text{Cl}, \text{Br}, \text{I}$ ) have been reported by Izquierdo *et al.*<sup>10,18</sup> On the basis of their electronic spectra, the compounds were assigned polymeric octahedral structures with terminal and bridging halides. As will be seen, the IR spectra are consistent with this proposal. Table 3 reports the frequencies and Figure 3 depicts the spectra. Actual tracings of the spectra of  $[\text{Cu}(\text{aq})\text{Cl}_2]_n$  and  $[\text{Cu}(\text{aq})\text{Br}_2]_n$  are shown in Figure 4.

$\text{ND}_2$ -Labelling was applied to the complex  $[\text{Zn}(\text{aq})\text{Cl}_2]_n$ . Eleven bands occur below  $470\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Apart from the lattice mode at  $69\text{ cm}^{-1}$ , four of these bands (at 277,



TABLE III  
 Frequency data ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) and assignments for the complexes  $[\text{M}(\text{aq})\text{X}_2]_n$  ( $500\text{--}50\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ).

M = Cu		M = Zn		Assignment
X = Cl	X = Br	X = Cl <sup>a</sup>	X = Br	
493	493	493(+4)	493	γ ring
462	463	463	461	
423	421	417(11)	415	νM-NH <sub>2</sub>
405	400	395(10)	400	
335	338	321(8)	320	
306	275	277(0)	254	
282	253		241sh	νM-X <sub>br</sub>
230	174	230(1)	172	
205	209	203(10)	207	νM-N
192	192	191(10)	191	
162	149	137(0)	86	δX-M-X
123	112	121(0)	75	
			135	δL-M-L
	99		113	
61	78	69(0)	59	lattice

<sup>a</sup> Values in parentheses are the ND<sub>2</sub>-induced shifts. Shifts  $\leq 1\text{ cm}^{-1}$  are not reported.

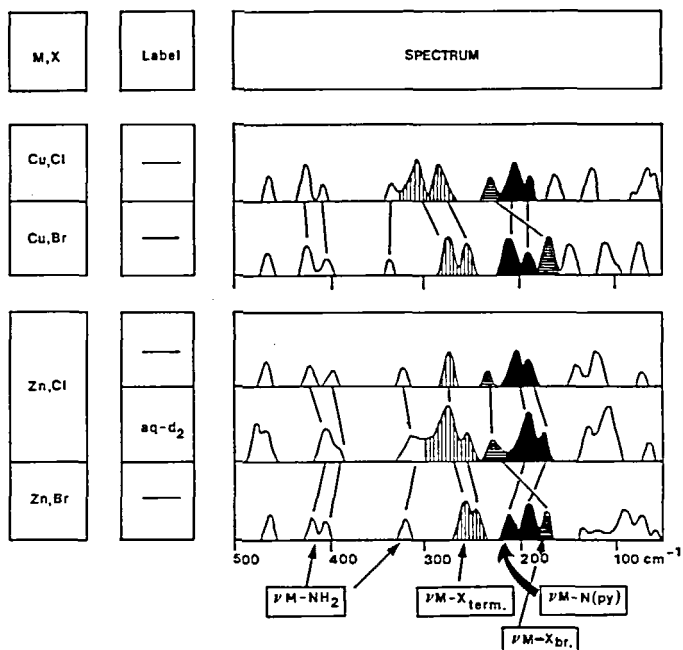


FIGURE 3 Far-IR spectra of the complexes  $[\text{M}(\text{aq})\text{X}_2]$  in the region  $500\text{--}50\text{ cm}^{-1}$ .

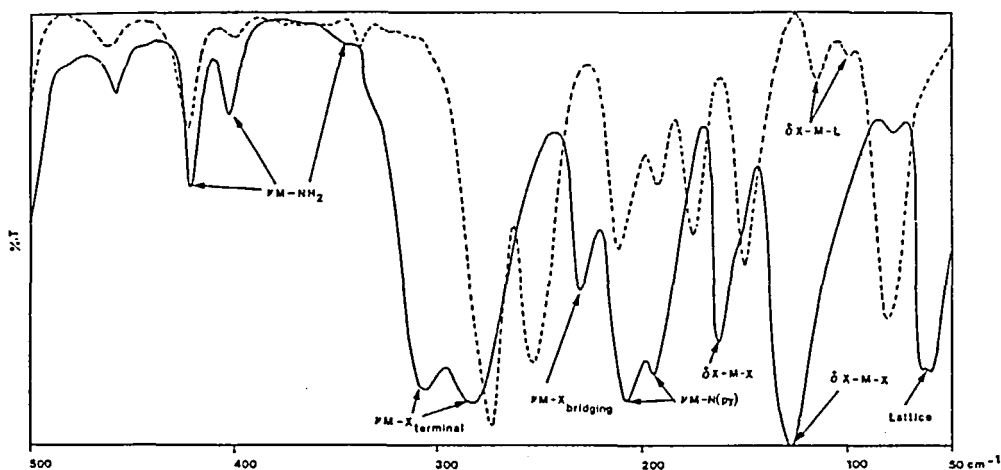


FIGURE 4 IR spectra of the complexes  $[\text{Cu}(\text{aq})\text{Cl}_2]$  (—) and  $[\text{Cu}(\text{aq})\text{Br}_2]$  (----) in the region  $500\text{--}50\text{ cm}^{-1}$ .

$230$ ,  $137$  and  $121\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) are unaffected by  $\text{ND}_2$ -labelling and are therefore assigned to  $\text{Zn-Cl}$  modes. This is confirmed by the substantial shifts which occur on bromide substitution. It is proposed that the first two bands are assigned to  $\nu\text{Zn-Cl}_{\text{t}}$  (terminal) and  $\nu\text{Zn-Cl}_{\text{br}}$  (bridging) modes and the last two to  $\text{Cl-Zn-Cl}$  bending vibrations. Of the remaining six bands, the group of three at  $417$ ,  $395$  and  $321\text{ cm}^{-1}$ , which shift between  $8$  and  $10\text{ cm}^{-1}$  on  $\text{ND}_2$ -labelling, are firmly assigned to  $\nu\text{Zn-NH}_2$  bands, and the bands at  $203$  and  $191\text{ cm}^{-1}$  to  $\nu\text{Zn-N}$  modes. These occur within the region reported for 8-hydroxyquinoline complexes.<sup>8</sup> Their sensitivity to  $\text{ND}_2$ -labelling is probably a result of vibrational coupling of  $\nu\text{Zn-N}$  with  $\nu\text{Zn-NH}_2$ , or a ligand mode incorporating the  $\text{NH}_2$  group. The assignment of the  $\delta\text{L-M-X}$  and  $\delta\text{L-M-L}$  bands is difficult because these bands are generally much weaker than the  $\delta\text{X-M-X}$  bands and may be masked by the latter. This was indeed substantiated by the substitution of  $\text{Cl}$  by  $\text{Br}$  which causes the  $\delta\text{X-M-X}$  bending modes to shift to lower frequencies ( $\Delta\nu \sim 50\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ), exposing the underlying  $\delta\text{N-Zn-N}$  and/or  $\delta\text{N-Zn-Br}$  bands at  $135$  and  $113\text{ cm}^{-1}$ .

The assignments for the  $[\text{Cu}(\text{aq})\text{X}_2]_n$  spectra are readily made by comparison with the analogous zinc complexes. The doubling of the  $\nu\text{Cu-X}$  stretching modes is undoubtedly associated with the tetragonal distortion (Jahn-Teller effect) which is known to occur in the copper complexes but not in the zinc chelates. The finding of three  $\nu\text{M-MH}_2$  bands and two  $\nu\text{M-N}$  bands is not surprising when the low symmetry of these polymeric molecules is considered.

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