siderable improvements in behavior should be possible with this system, since no attempts were made to optimize parameters such as film thickness and clay/PVA ratio in the present work. Experiments with different clay types and incorporated substances are also in progress. Finally the strategy employed here should be applicable to other types of materials of interest, such as zeolites¹³ and silicas.¹⁴

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Dicopper Complexes of a Macrocyclic Ligand as Models for Type 3 Copper Proteins

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Recent chemical and physical studies on hemocyanin¹ and tyrosinase² derivatives allow the identification of certain basic requirements in synthetic models for these and probably other type 3 copper proteins. These include (i) a binucleating capability on the part of the synthetic ligand that permits a relatively close approach (3–4 Å) of the copper ions, (ii) accessibility of both Cu(I) and Cu(II) oxidation states, (iii) coordinative unsaturation of the metal ions in the reduced state, and (iv) a coordination polyhedron for each metal ion that includes two (or three) nitrogen donors. The provision of a bridging group that mediates antiferromagnetic coupling between the Cu(II) ions may also be important. Recently, several synthetic dicopper complexes that incorporate some or all of these features have been described³ including some that exhibit

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Figure 1. Structure of $[Cu_2L(OEt)_2(NCS)_2]$. Selected bond distances (Å): Cu(1)-N(1) = 2.108 (18); Cu(1)-N(5) = 2.282 (19); Cu(1)-O(42) = 1.943 (14); Cu(1)-N(31) = 1.919 (23).

(partially) reversible O_2 -binding activity^{3a,3b} (cf. hemocyanin) and monooxygenase^{3f} or oxidase activity^{3c,i,k,l} (cf. tyrosinase, laccase, etc.). We here report on the structures and properties of some dicopper(I) and dicopper(II) complexes of a macrocyclic ligand that also satisfy the requirements noted above and that, additionally, function as catalysts for the oxidation of several organic substrates, including catechols, in the presence of oxygen.

The macrocycle L (1) was synthesized as the complex BaL-



(ClO₄)₂·EtOH from 2,5-diformylfuran and 1,3-diaminopropane by use of Ba²⁺ ion as a template.⁴ Replacement of Ba²⁺ by Cu²⁺ led to a series of diCu(II) complexes including Cu₂L(OH)₂(Cl-O₄)₂·H₂O (**2**), [Cu₂L(OR)₂(MeCN)₂][BPh₄]₂ (**3**), and [Cu₂L-(OR)₂(NCS)₂] (**4**) (R = Me, Et, *n*-Pr). The structure⁵ of [Cu₂L(OEt)₂(NCS)₂] (**4**) is shown in Figure 1. Each Cu(II) ion is bonded to two imino nitrogens of the macrocycle, the nitrogen of one (terminally bound) thiocyanate ion, and to two bridging ethoxide groups in an approximate trigonal-bipyramidal geometry. The two metal ions are displaced by 0.57 Å on opposite sides of the roughly planar macrocycle so that each bridging ethoxide occupies an axial site in the coordination sphere of one metal ion and an equatorial site of the other. The Cu···Cu separation is 3.003 (4) Å. The furan oxygens are not coordinated (Cu···O > 2.95 Å).

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Figure 2. Structure of the $[Cu_2L(MeCN)_2]^{2+}$ cation. Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (deg): Cu(1)-N(1) = 1.958 (18); Cu(1)-N(5) = 1.971 (19); Cu(1)-N(100) = 1.919 (16); N(1)-Cu(1)-N(5) = 101.4 (8); N(1)-Cu(1)-N(100) = 129.7 (7); N(5)-Cu(1)-N(100) = 124.7.

 $(\lambda_{max} 680 \text{ nm})$ and suggests a tetragonal type of coordination. In both series of bis(μ -alkoxo) complexes **3** and **4** the pairs of Cu(II) ions are strongly antiferromagnetically coupled with 2J in the range -600 to -700 cm⁻¹; the dihydroxo complex is less strongly coupled, however.⁷

All the dicopper(II) complexes undergo reduction simply by heating their solutions in MeCN. For 4 the product is $[Cu_2L-(SCN)_2]$ (5) previously shown⁸ to contain two tetrahedrally coordinated Cu(I) ions, 2.796 (8) Å apart, intramolecularly linked via the sulfur atoms only of the thiocyanate ions. For 2 and 3 the reduction product is the diamagnetic complex $[Cu_2L-(MeCN)_2]Y_2$ [Y = ClO₄ or BPh₄ (6)] in which each three-coordinate Cu(I) ion is bonded to two macrocycle nitrogen donors and to the nitrogen of one MeCN molecule (Figure 2). The stereochemistry is distorted trigonal planar with the Cu(I) ions displaced 0.23 Å, on opposite sides, from the N₃ planes.⁹ The Cu--Cu separation is 3.35 Å.

In the presence of certain substrates the reduction of 2 or 3 is accompanied by substrate oxidation according to eq 1. Thus,

$$Cu^{11}(OH)_2Cu^{11} + H_2X_2 \text{ (or } 2HX) = Cu^1 + X_2 + 2H_2O$$
(1)

for example, PhSH, PhC=CH, hydrazobenzene, catechols, hydroquinone, and ascorbic acid afford respectively PhSSPh, PhC=CC=CPh, azobenzene, o-quinones, p-quinone, and dehydroascorbic acid, together with $\mathbf{6}$ or other dicopper(I) complexes. When carried out in dimethylformamide solution in the presence of O_2 , several of the oxidations proved to be catalytic in 2 or 3 but not 4, with, as shown by O_2 -uptake measurements, a $O_2/$ substrate (H₂X₂ or 2HX) stoichiometry of 0.5 \pm 0.02 (see Figure 3 for typical results on the oxidation of 3,5-di-tert-butylcatechol).¹⁰ No induction period was observed and the catalytic oxidation was equally successful whether the catalysts were the diCu(II) complexes 2 or 3 or the dicopper(I) complex 6. The inactivity of complex 4 reflects the need for coordinative unsaturation in the reduced state while the very poor activity of (mononuclear) Cu- $(ClO_4)_2 \cdot 6H_2O$ indicates the importance of a "built-in" dicopper site.

A significant observation was the consumption by (6) of only $0.5 \pm 0.03 \text{ mol } O_2$ per dicopper(I) unit in the *absence* of substrate.

(10) Parallel results were obtained for the oxidation of hydroquinone, ascorbic acid, and PhSH.



Figure 3. Uptake of O₂ (1 atm initial pressure) by solutions of 3,5-ditert-butylcatechol in dry dimethylformamide $(7 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M})$ containing different copper complexes $(3.5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ M})$ at 30 °C: $Cu_2L(OH)_2(Cl-O_4)_2$ ·H₂O (--); $[Cu_2L(OEt)_2(MeCN)_2][BPh_4]_2$ (---); $[Cu_2L-(MeCN)_2][BPh_4]_2$ (---); $[Cu_2L-(MeCN)_2][BPh_4]_2$ (---); The arrows denote fresh additions of catechol.

This contrasts with the 1:1 O_2/Cu_2 stoichiometry found for hemocyanin¹ and tyrosinase² as well as other model compounds^{3b,j} including the dicopper(I) complex^{3c} of a related, but larger, macrocycle and suggests that each O_2 molecule is associated in its reduction, with four copper atoms rather than two. Such a situation could occur if the initial coordination of O_2 by **6** is followed, in the absence of substrate, by a fast bimolecular twoelectron transfer with a second molecule of **6** to generate the μ -oxo species¹¹ **8** (eq 2 and 3), this possibly having an aggregate (dimeric)

$$Cu^{1} - Cu^{1} + O_{2} \rightarrow Cu^{11} - (O_{2})^{2} - Cu^{11}$$
 (2)

$$Cu^{11} (O_2)^{2-} Cu^{11} + Cu^{1} Cu^{1-} Cu^{11} - Cu^{11} O_{-} Cu^{11}]_2$$
 (3)
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structure such as found for the complexes $[Cu_4L_2(C=CPh)]^{3+12}$ and $[Cu_6L_3(SPh)_2]^{4+13}$ of the same macrocycle. Aggregate structures containing oxo-bridged Cu(II) ions have been described previously.¹⁴ The occurrence in 4, 5, and 6 of Cu-Cu distances (2.80-3.35 Å) significantly smaller than those proposed for hemocyanin (~3.6 Å) leads to the speculation of a μ -1,1- $[O_2]^2$ bridge structure (9) for the initially formed adduct as an alter-



native to the two-atom μ -1,2- $[O_2]^2$ bridge (10) believed to occur in the natural systems. A μ -1,1- $[O_2]^-$ superoxo bridge between Al(III) ions has recently been reported.¹⁵

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Photochemical H₂ Generation by Visible Light. Sensitization of TiO₂ Particles by Surface Complexation with 8-Hydroxyquinoline

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The surface modification of large band gap semiconductors such as TiO₂ and SnO₂ by adsorbed or covalently linked photoactive dyes is a subject of increasing investigation^{1,2} in view of potential applications to solar energy conversion. In both photoelectrochemical cells¹ and H₂-generating photochemical systems,² the phenomenon of photosensitized charge injection is used to effect charge separation with light of less than band gap energy. We wish to report here our preliminary results concerning the surface modification of anatase TiO₂ by the prototype dye 8-hydroxyorthoquinoline (HOQ) and the ability of such modified TiO₂ powders to generate H₂ in a sacrificial water reduction system using visible light. Initial evidence for H₂ production via a charge injection mechanism will be presented.

When powdered TiO_2 is introduced into aqueous solutions of HOQ (solubility $\leq 4 \times 10^{-3}$ M), a bright yellow orange color develops on the powder while the supernatant absorption spectrum show simply a decrease in free HOQ.³ No pH change accompanies this process. We believe that the color change is due to the formation of surface Ti(IV)-OQ complexes, most likely through the so-called "esterification" of surface hydroxyl groups with concomitant loss of water. Such reactions between TiO_2 and other alcohols are well documented.⁴ Our evidence for this reaction is twofold. First, color development in samples where HOQ is added to optically transparent TiO₂ colloid⁵ is quite slow and is considerably slower in base than in acid. HOQ (10^{-4} M) adsorption onto 1 g/L TiO_2 is complete in 1 h at pH 2.5 and in 5 days at pH 12.8. Second, the spectrum of the HOQ-modified colloidal TiO₂ differs greatly from that of either free HOQ, OQ^{-} , or H_2OQ^+ (Figure 1). Both the position and intensity of the 380-nm absorption band are very similar to that observed for $M(OQ)_n$ complexes where M is a closed d-shell metal ion. This transition has been assigned as a ligand localized transition for all such complexes.6,7

Complexation between HOQ and anatase TiO_2 powder was compared for three powders, Degussa P-25 (surface area 55 m²/g), Bayer "Bayersol" (surface area 180 m²/g), and Montedison TiO₂-U, an anatase powder doped with 0.4% Nb and loaded with 0.2% RuO₂ by weight (surface area ~ 200 m²/g). In saturated



Figure 1. Optical absorption spectra of HOQ: (--) in neutral H₂O; (---) pH 10, (----) pH 1.6, (---) on colloidal TiO₂ (1 g/L) at pH 2.5 (vs. colloidal TiO₂ reference).

Table I. Comparison of the Sensitizing Ability of HOQ and a Surfactant Ruthenium Bipyridyl Complex for Different Anatase TiO_2 Powders in a Sacrificial H₂-Generating System

	$\mu L H_2/h^a$
	HOQ on TiO ₂
Degussa P-25	300-420
Bayersol	800-1220
TiO,-U	750-1000
TiO ₂ -U with	out Pt ^b 310–350
Ru(bpy),	$(4,4'-tridecyl-2,2'-bpy)^{2+}$
Degussa P-25	700-840
Bayersol	700-800
TiO ₂ -U with	out Pt ^b 800–1080

^a In a 5-mL sample, 5-mL headspace. Range of values is the total obtained from 6-8 repeats. ^b H_2 -generating catalyst in this case is 0.2% RuO₂ initially present on the TiO₂.

aqueous solutions of HOQ containing 1 g/L TiO_2 , HOQ uptake was found to be 300 μ equiv/g for Degussa P-25, 800 μ equiv/g for Bayersol, and 1000 μ equiv/g for TiO₂-U. These data are consistent with a previous report of 200 μ equiv/g for uptake of HOQ by Degussa P-25 from benzene solution³ and indicate that complexation is roughly proportional to surface area. Emission, typically an easily detectable property of HOQ and closed d-shell $M(OQ)_n$ complexes,^{6,7} could not be detected from either solid samples of HOQ modified TiO₂ powder or modified colloidal TiO₂ at room temperature using a Perkin-Elmer MPF 44A spectrofluorimeter. Nanosecond flash photolysis⁸ of HOQ-modified TiO₂ colloid showed no emission or transients, indicating that the excited state lifetime or the surface Ti(IV)-OQ complex is less than the 11-25 ns typically observed for emissive $M(OQ)_n$ complexes in DMF.⁷ Exaustive photolysis of the same samples with \geq 435-nm light resulted in no photodecomposition after 17 h.

HOQ-modified TiO₂ powder proved to be an excellent photosensitizing agent in the following sacrificial water reduction system. Samples, 5 mL, were made up containing 10^{-3} M HOQ equilibrated with 5 mg of TiO₂ powder, 2×10^{-2} M EDTA as a sacrificial electron donor, and 10 mg/L Pt (0) sol.⁹ For comparison, analogous samples were made up in which 10^{-4} M surfactant Ru(bpy)₂(4,4'-tridecyl-2,2'-bpy)²⁺ was physisorbed onto the TiO₂, and HOQ was omitted. At these concentrations, light absorption by the insoluble ruthenium complex is 2–6 times that of the HOQ-modified TiO₂, depending on the surface area of the TiO₂ used, and light absorption ≥435 nm by free HOQ is negligible.

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