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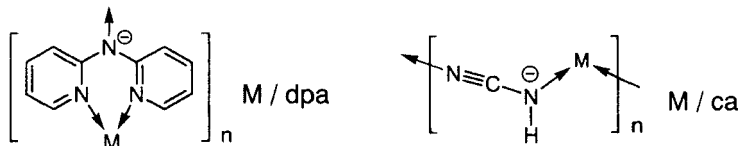
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Magnetic properties of nickel(II) complexes containing di(2-pyridyl)amine anion ( $\text{dpa}^-$ ) or cyanamide anion ( $\text{ca}^-$ ) are investigated. Ni/dpa complexes prepared from  $\text{NiCl}_2$  and  $\text{Ni}(\text{NO}_3)_2$  showed magnetic transition at 17 and 19 K, respectively. The Ni/ca complex prepared from  $\text{NiCl}_2$  showed magnetic transition at 25 K.

**Keywords:** dipyridylamine; cyanamide; magnetic susceptibility

### INTRODUCTION

Magnetism of transition-metal complexes with a 3-dimensional network is of current interest for developing high  $T_C$  magnets. Various magnets have been reported containing polycyano-anion bridges such as tricyanomethanide [1] and dicyanamide anions [2]. We have developed new bridging organic ligands, paying attention to some structural requirements;  $\pi$ -conjugated, anionic, and compact ligands. We will report here magnetic phase transitions of Ni(II) complexes containing di(2-pyridyl)amine anion ( $\text{dpa}^-$ ) or cyanamide anion ( $\text{ca}^-$ ). These ligands possess an  $\text{N}=\text{C}-\text{N}^-$  moiety as a bridging backbone.

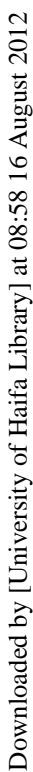


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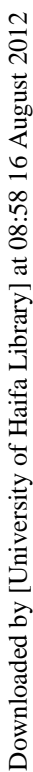
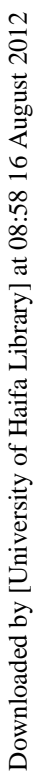
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susceptibility measurements showed a sharp peak at 17 and 19 K, which we define as transition temperatures, for **2a** and **2b**, respectively.

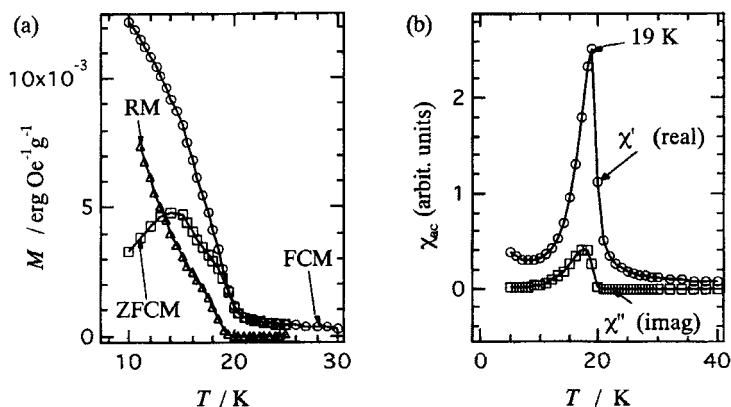


FIGURE 1 Magnetic phase transition of **2b** (Ni(II)/dpa) shown by (a) FCM (3 Oe), RM, and ZFCM (3 Oe) and (b) ac magnetic susceptibility measurements (10 Oe,  $10^4$  Hz).

Their  $M$ - $H$  curves were measured at 10 K (below the transition temperature). The S-shape curves were found in a low field region, but the spontaneous magnetizations at 10 K were very small; 2.7 and 1.8 % of the theoretical values for **2a** and **2b**, respectively. Furthermore, the paramagnetic crystals were found as impurities in the solid specimens. The X-ray crystallographic analysis revealed that mononuclear complexes Ni(dpa)-(dpaH)<sub>2</sub>Cl·0.5dpaH (**3a**) [5] and Ni(dpa)(dpaH)<sub>2</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>·CH<sub>3</sub>OH (**3b**) [6] were included in specimens **2a** and **2b**, respectively. Figure 2a shows the structure of the Ni(dpa)(dpaH)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ion in **3a**. A four-membered ring N-C-N-Ni is found. The structure of Ni(dpa)(dpaH)<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ion in **3b** was almost identical to that in **3a**. Although the presence of dpa<sup>-</sup> is confirmed, no bridging structure could be found in **3a** or **3b**. Figure 2b shows the crystal structure of **3a**.

Thus, the specimens of **2a** and **2b** are concluded to be of poor quality, judging from the small spontaneous magnetizations and paramagnetic impurities. We are now trying purification of a fraction showing ferromagnetic transition behavior.

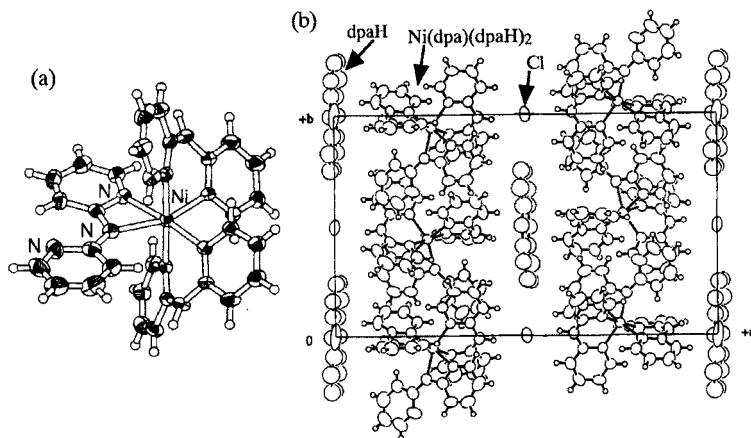


FIGURE 2 (a) Ortep drawing of  $\text{Ni(dpa)(dpaH)}_2^{2+}$  ion in **3a**.  
(b) Molecular arrangement in the crystal of **3a**.  $\text{Ni(dpa)(dpaH)}_2^{2+}$  ions are isolated.

Dark greenish brown powder sample (**4**) was obtained from Scheme 2. The temperature dependence of the magnetic susceptibility of **4** showed a positive Weiss temperature of about 30 K. Although elemental analysis of **4** indicated the small content of nitrogen (ca. 4 %), the  $M$ - $H$  curve measured at 2.0 K exhibited an upsurge within a weak applied field, being typical of a ferromagnet (Figure 3). The ac susceptibility measurement of **4** indicated  $T_C = 16$  K.

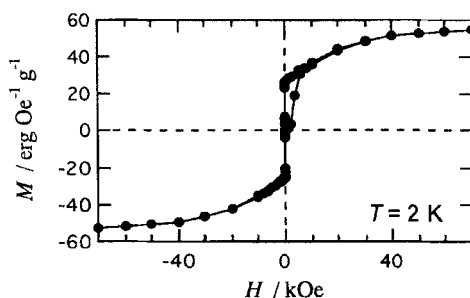
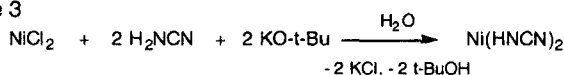


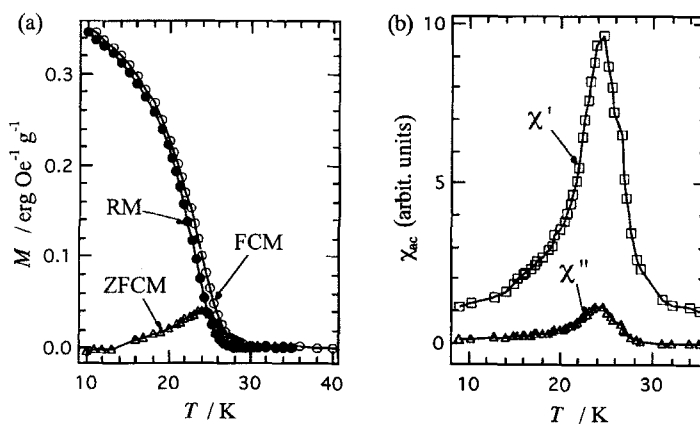
FIGURE 3  $M$ - $H$  curve of **4** ( $\text{Ni(II)}/\text{dpa}$ ) complex measured at 2 K.

**Ni(II) / ca**

Ni(II)/ca complex was prepared by mixing NiCl<sub>2</sub> and NCNH<sub>2</sub> in H<sub>2</sub>O in the presence of KO-t-Bu (Scheme 3). After standing for a few days, resultant dark precipitates (**5**) were collected on a filter. The elemental analysis indicated somewhat low nitrogen and carbon contents, suggesting that chloride ions are remained in the solid of **5**.

**Scheme 3**

The temperature dependence of the magnetic susceptibility of **5** measured at 0.5 T indicated a positive Weiss temperature of ca. 30 K. The FCM (3 Oe) showed an upsurge at 29 K on cooling, and the RM completely disappeared at 27 K on heating (Figure 4a). The ZFCM (3 Oe) increased with increasing temperature, exhibited a peak at 24 K. The ac magnetic susceptibility measurements showed a peak at 25 K (Figure 4b). The *M*-*H* curve measured at 15 K revealed a ferromagnetic behavior with a small hysteresis (Figure 5).



**FIGURE 4** Magnetic phase transition of **5** (Ni(II)/ca) shown by (a) FCM (3 Oe), RM, and ZFCM (3 Oe) and (b) ac magnetic susceptibility measurements (10 Oe, 10<sup>4</sup> Hz).

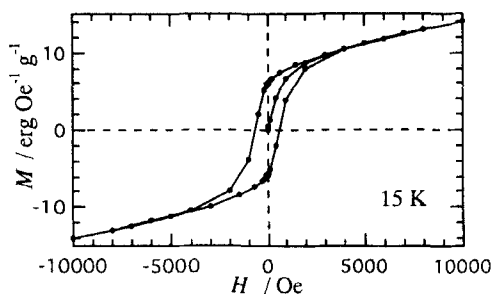


Figure 5 Hysteresis curve of **5** (Ni(II)/ca) measured at 15 K.

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