



SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL TO
**First cobalt complexes with methyl pyruvate
semi/thiosemicarbazone – Synthesis, physicochemical
and structural characterization**

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ANALYTICAL AND SPECTRAL DATA FOR 1–4

$[Co(Hmps)(H_2O)Cl_2]$ (1). Yield: 52 mg (85 %); Anal. calcd. for $C_5H_{11}Cl_2CoN_3O_4$: C, 19.56; H, 3.59; N, 13.69 %. Found: C, 19.29; H, 3.49; N, 13.35 %; IR (cm^{-1}): 3414 vs , 3305 s , 3231 ms , 3124 ms (OH, NH_2 , NH); 1683 vs , 1635 s (C=O); 1583 m (C=N); Conductivity (MeOH, $\Lambda_M / \Omega^{-1} cm^2 mol^{-1}$): 140. $\mu_{eff} (\mu_B)$: 5.02.

$[Co(Hmps)(H_2O)Br_2]$ (2). Yield: 90 mg (57 %); Anal. calcd. for $C_5H_{11}Br_2CoN_3O_4$: C, 15.17; H, 2.78; N, 10.61 %. Found: C, 15.08; H, 2.57; N, 10.55 %; IR (cm^{-1}): 3408 vs , 3305 vs , 3228 s , 3126 s (OH, NH_2 , NH), 1685 vs , 1634 vs (C=O); 1584 m (C=N). Conductivity (MeOH, $\Lambda_M / \Omega^{-1} cm^2 mol^{-1}$): 170; $\mu_{eff} (\mu_B)$ 4.98.

$[Co(Hmpt)_2][CoCl_4] \cdot 2H_2O$ (3). Yield: 50 mg (83 %); Anal. calcd. for $C_{10}H_{22}Cl_4Co_2N_6O_6S_2$: C, 18.59; H, 3.43; N, 13.01; S, 9.92 %. Found: C, 18.21; H, 3.49; N, 12.87; S, 9.36 %; IR (cm^{-1}): 3400 ms (OH); 3338 s , 3261 s , 3150 vs (NH_2 , NH); 1681 vs (C=O); 1621 vs , 1605 vs (C=N); 958 w , 855 ms (C=S); Conductivity (MeOH, $\Lambda_M / \Omega^{-1} cm^2 mol^{-1}$): 222; $\mu_{eff} (\mu_B)$: 4.41.

$[Co(Hmpt)_2]Br_2 \cdot Me_2CO$ (4). Yield: 68 mg (55 %); Anal. calcd. for $C_{13}H_{24}Br_2CoN_6O_5S_2$: C, 24.89; H, 3.83; N, 13.40; S, 10.22 %. Found: C, 24.68;

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H, 3.57; N, 13.55; S, 10.76 %; IR (cm⁻¹): 3431 m_s , 3261 m_s , 3112 s (NH₂, NH); 1703 m , 1672 s (C=O); 1624 s , 1606 s (C=N); 958 w , 857 w ν (C=S); Conductivity (MeOH, $A_M / \Omega^{-1} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ mol}^{-1}$): 180; $\mu_{\text{eff}} (\mu_B)$: 4.36.

TABLE S-I. Pertinent crystal and refinement details for **2**, **3**, and **4**

Complex	2	3	4
Chemical formula	C ₅ H ₁₁ Br ₂ CoN ₃ O ₄	C ₁₀ H ₂₂ Co ₂ Cl ₄ N ₆ O ₆ S ₂	C ₁₃ H ₂₄ Br ₂ CoN ₆ O ₅ S ₂
M_r	395.92	646.11	627.23
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Orthorhombic	Triclinic
Space group	$P2_1/c$	$Pccn$	$P\bar{1}$
Temperature, K	294	294	294
$a / \text{\AA}$	7.8004(2)	14.8546(3)	10.3796(3)
$b / \text{\AA}$	13.1957(4)	19.6095(4)	10.9107(4)
$c / \text{\AA}$	11.9046(3)	18.0338(5)	12.5905(5)
$\alpha / ^\circ$	90	90	101.435(3)
$\beta / ^\circ$	94.357(3)	90	101.558(3)
$\gamma / ^\circ$	90	90	115.576(3)
$V / \text{\AA}^3$	1221.82(6)	5253.1 (2)	1192.86(8)
Z	4	8	2
Radiation type	Mo $K\alpha$	Mo $K\alpha$	Mo $K\alpha$
μ / mm^{-1}	7.94	1.86	4.28
Crystal size, mm	0.59×0.24×0.19	0.53×0.22×0.07	0.39×0.25×0.05
Absorption correction	Analytical	Multi-scan	Multi-scan
$T_{\text{min}}, T_{\text{max}}$	0.037, 0.310	0.832, 1	0.465, 1
Measured reflections	13155	21982	18787
Independent reflections	2501	6243	5636
Observed reflections [$I > 2\sigma(I)$]	2213	4586	4619
R_{int}	0.026	0.031	0.024
$(\sin \theta/\lambda)_{\text{max}} / \text{\AA}^{-1}$	0.626	0.683	0.685
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)]$	0.025	0.037	0.027
$wR(F^2)$	0.057	0.092	0.063
S	1.09	1.02	1.02
Parameters	153	257	286
Restraints	6	0	6
H-atom treatment	Mixed	Constrained	Mixed
$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}}, \Delta\rho_{\text{min}} / e \text{\AA}^{-3}$	0.37, -0.40	0.64, -0.48	0.50, -0.51

TABLE S-II. Cremer & Pople puckering parameters for **3** and **4**

Ring	$Q_2 / \text{\AA}$	$\varphi_2 / ^\circ$	Pucker descriptor
3			
Co1–S1A–C3A–N2A–N1A	0.1979(16)	9.2(7)	Twisted on Co1–S1A
Co1–S1B–C3B–N2B–N1B	0.1230(18)	28.2(10)	Envelope on S1B
4			
Co1–S1A–C3A–N2A–N1A	0.3725(14)	7.2(3)	Envelope on Co1
Co1–S1B–C3B–N2B–N1B	0.1578(15)	19.7(7)	Twisted on Co1–S1B

TABLE S–III. Polyhedral distortion indices for 2–4

Complex	2	3	4
Average bond length, Å	2.277	2.220	2.215
Polyhedral volume, Å ³	14.943	13.779	13.359
Distortion index	0.0721	0.0514	0.0528
Quadratic elongation	1.042	1.042	1.059
Bond angle variance, (°) ²	112.434	126.928	175.405

Distortion index,

$$D = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{|l_i - l_{av}|}{l_{av}},$$

where l_i is the distance from the central atom to the i th coordinating atom, and l_{av} is the average bond length.

Quadratic elongation,

$$\langle \lambda \rangle = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{l_i}{l_0} \right)^2,$$

where l_i is the distance from the central atom to the i th coordinating atom, and l_0 is the center-to-vertex distance of a regular polyhedron of the same volume.

Bond angle variance,

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{m-1} \sum_{i=1}^m (\phi_i - \phi_0)^2,$$

where m is the number of bond angles within the polyhedron, ϕ_i is the i th bond angle, and ϕ_0 is the ideal bond angle for a regular polyhedron (90° for an octahedron).

TABLE S-IV. Selected bond lengths (Å) of complexes **3** and **4**, as well as the ligand Hmpt

Bond	Compound		
	[Co(Hmpt) ₂][CoCl ₄].2H ₂ O (3)	[Co(Hmpt) ₂]Br ₂ .Me ₂ CO (4)	Hmpt
Co1–O1A	2.1803(19)	2.1472(16)	
Co1–O1B	2.1878(19)	2.1857(15)	
Co1–N1A	2.092(2)	2.1009(16)	
Co1–N1B	2.077(2)	2.0751(16)	
Co1–S1A	2.3931(8)	2.3879(7)	
Co1–S2B	2.3888(8)	2.3924(6)	
O1A–C1A	1.217(3)	1.227(3)	1.208(4)
O1B–C1B	1.220(3)	1.219(3)	
O2A–C1A	1.311(3)	1.310(3)	1.337(4)
O2B–C1B	1.311(3)	1.304(3)	
C1A–C2A	1.496(4)	1.491(3)	1.506(6)
C1B–C2B	1.487(4)	1.499(3)	
N1A–C2A	1.281(3)	1.280(3)	1.285(4)
N1B–C2B	1.290(3)	1.275(3)	
N1A–N2A	1.354(3)	1.350(2)	1.367(4)
N1B–N2B	1.349(3)	1.357(2)	
N2A–C3A	1.361(3)	1.367(3)	1.363(4)
N2B–C3B	1.359(3)	1.354(3)	
S1A–C3A	1.688(3)	1.698(2)	1.684(4)
S1B–C3B	1.698(3)	1.703(2)	
N3A–C3A	1.315(3)	1.305(3)	1.325(5)
N3B–C3B	1.314(3)	1.307(3)	

TABLE S-V. Hydrogen-bond geometry in complexes **3** and **4**

<i>D</i> –H··· <i>A</i>	Distance, Å			Angle, °	Symmetry operation on <i>A</i>
	H··· <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> ··· <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> –H		
3					
N2A–H2A···C11	2.47	3.185(2)	0.86	141	
N2B–H2B···Cl2 ⁱ	2.44	3.259(2)	0.86	159	<i>x</i> +1/2, <i>y</i> –1/2, <i>–z</i> +1
N3A–H3A···C11	2.58	3.271(3)	0.86	138	
N3A–H3B···Cl3 ⁱⁱ	2.38	3.232(3)	0.86	171	<i>–x</i> +1, <i>–y</i> +1, <i>–z</i> +1
N3B–H3D···Cl2 ⁱ	2.66	3.442(3)	0.86	152	<i>x</i> +1/2, <i>y</i> –1/2, <i>–z</i> +1
N3B–H3D···O1A ⁱⁱⁱ	2.57	3.079(3)	0.86	119	<i>–x</i> +1, <i>–y</i> , <i>–z</i> +1
N3B–H3C···Cl4 ^{iv}	2.39	3.244(3)	0.86	176	<i>x</i> , <i>–y</i> +1/2, <i>z</i> –1/2
4					
N2A–H2A···Br1	2.53(2)	3.3221(18)	0.86(2)	155(2)	
N3A–H3A···Br1	2.50(2)	3.290(2)	0.85(2)	154(3)	
N3A–H3B···Br2 ⁱ	2.50(2)	3.350(2)	0.86(2)	173(3)	<i>–x</i> +1, <i>–y</i> +1, <i>–z</i> +1
N2B–H2B···Br2	2.46(2)	3.2664(17)	0.84(2)	160(2)	
N3B–H3D···Br2	2.65(2)	3.427(2)	0.85(2)	153(2)	
N3B–H3C···Br1 ⁱⁱ	2.56(2)	3.405(2)	0.85(2)	176(2)	<i>–x</i> +1, <i>–y</i> +2, <i>–z</i> +1