

## Ruthenium biimidazole complexes as anion receptors

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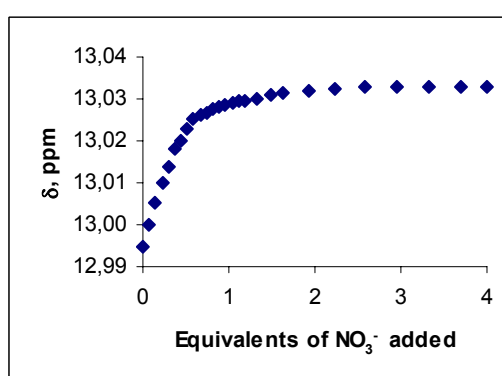
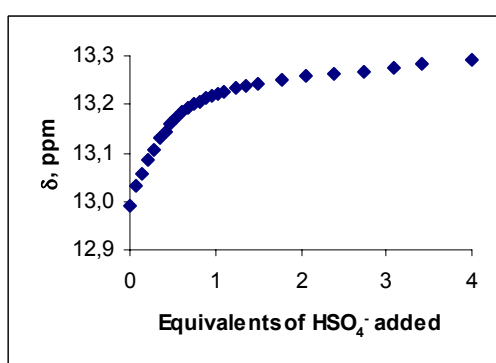
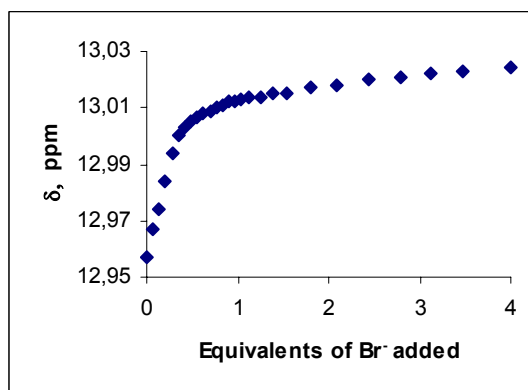
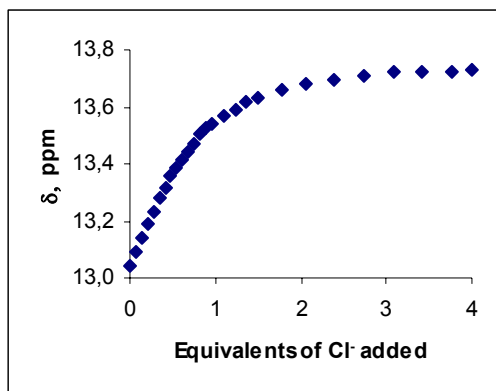
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### *X-ray crystallographic studies of the adducts [RuCl(cym)(H<sub>2</sub>biim)]<sup>+</sup>·Cl<sup>-</sup> and [RuCl(cym)(H<sub>2</sub>biim)]<sup>+</sup>·NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>*

Crystals of the adducts [RuCl(cym)(H<sub>2</sub>biim)]<sup>+</sup>·Cl<sup>-</sup> and [RuCl(cym)(H<sub>2</sub>biim)]<sup>+</sup>·NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> were mounted directly from solution under argon using an inert oil which protects them from atmospheric oxygen and moisture. X-ray intensity data were collected using a Nonius Kappa CCD diffractometer. The structures were solved by direct methods and refined by full-matrix least squares on  $F^2$ .<sup>1</sup> The structure of adduct [RuCl(cym)(H<sub>2</sub>biim)]<sup>+</sup>·Cl<sup>-</sup> contains two molecules per asymmetric unit. One of the chloride anions [Cl(2)] exhibited disorder and was resolved into two components of *ca.* 75:25 occupancy. Within the lattice of [RuCl(cym)(H<sub>2</sub>biim)]<sup>+</sup>·Cl<sup>-</sup> there are also two half molecules of dichloromethane and a total of two molecules of water per equivalent position. In addition there is residual electron density of *ca.* three electrons in a chemically unreasonable position possibly due to a small amount of a cocrystallised contaminant. All the hydrogen atoms of the adducts [RuCl(cym)(H<sub>2</sub>biim)]<sup>+</sup>·Cl<sup>-</sup> and [RuCl(cym)(H<sub>2</sub>biim)]<sup>+</sup>·NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> were included in idealised positions.

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*<sup>1</sup>H NMR titration profiles of 1 in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>.*



*<sup>1</sup>H NMR titration profiles of 1 in CD<sub>3</sub>CN.*

