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## **Coordinatively Unsaturated 5-Nitroisophthalate based Cobalt(II)**

# **Coordination Polymers: Efficient Catalytic CO<sub>2</sub> Fixation and**

# Hantzsch Condensation

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#### Materials and methods

All the solvents and reagents were purchased from commercial sources and used without further purification. The commercially obtained reagents mentioned above were used without further purification. The single crystal XRD diffraction data was collected using BRUKER AXS (D8 Quest System) X-ray diffractometer. Powder X-Ray diffraction patterns were recorded on PANalytical X'Pert Pro Diffractometer operated at 40 kV and 45 mA with Cu K $\alpha$  radiation. The surface area measurement analysis was performed by the Quantachrome autosorb iQ2 analyzer. Thermogravimetric analysis was carried out using an SDT Q600 (TA Instruments), and the samples were heated from room temperature to 800°C at 10 °C min<sup>-1</sup> rate under N<sub>2</sub> gas flow rate of 100 mL/min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum was recorded using a Bruker 400 MHz spectrometer.

#### **Experimental section**

Synthesis of 4-ABPT (4-amino-3,5-bis(pyridine-2-yl)-1,2,4-triazole). The ligand was synthesized following the reported procedure.<sup>1</sup> A mixture of 4-cyano pyridine (25mmol), hydrazine monohydrate (80%, 3mL), and ethanol (1mL) were mixed in an autoclave and heated at 120°C for 3 days, followed by slow cooling to room temperature, which results white crystalline substance. The NMR data match with the reported literature. Yield: 90 % (4.75 gm). <sup>1</sup>HNMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  8.80 (4H, d, Hc), 8.08 (4H, d, Hb), 6.55 (2H, s, Ha). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  153.53 (C1), 150.62 (C4), 139.16 (C2), 122.53 (C3).

Synthesis of  $[Co(4-ABPT)(NIPA)(H_2O)_3]$ , SSICG-6. A mixture of  $Co(OAc)_2 \cdot 4H_2O$  (1 mmol),  $H_2NIPA$  (1 mmol), and 4-ABPT (1 mmol) was taken in 3 mL of distilled water in a 15 mL screw-capped vial. Then, the mixture was ultrasonicated for 10 min to make it homogeneous and heated to 100 °C for 3 days and then slowly cooled down to room temperature. Purple-colored, block-shaped X-ray quality crystals were obtained, which were then filtered and thoroughly washed with water. Yield: 78 %

Synthesis of [Co(4-ABPT)(NIPA)(H<sub>2</sub>O)], SSICG-7. A mixture of Co(OAc)<sub>2</sub>·4H<sub>2</sub>O (1 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>NIPA (1 mmol), and 4-ABPT (1 mmol) was taken in 3 mL of distilled water in a 15 mL screw-capped vial. Then, the mixture was stirred for 10 min to make it homogeneous and heated to 150 °C for 3 days and then slowly cooled down to room temperature. Purple-colored, block-shaped X-ray quality crystals were obtained, which were then filtered and thoroughly washed with water. Yield: 68 %

**Catalytic CO<sub>2</sub> cycloaddition reactions.** The catalytic reactions were carried out in the presence of carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) at atmospheric pressure (balloon) and under solvent-free conditions at room temperature (rt). 20 mmol epoxide, 2.5 mol% tetrabutylammonium bromide (TBAB) were used as substrate and cocatalyst respectively. <sup>1</sup>HNMR of the filtrate was recorded to calculate the conversion.

**Hantzsch condensation reaction.** In a 10 mL round bottom flask, 1 mmol of aldehyde, 1 mmol of ammonium acetate, and 2 mmol of ethyl acetoacetate were dissolved in 1 mL of ethanol. After adding 2.5 mol% catalyst, the reaction was carried out at 60 °C for 4 h. After completion, the reaction mixture was centrifuged to separate the catalyst. Column chromatography was performed to purify the products and the products were analyzed by <sup>1</sup>HNMR.

**DFT energy calculation.** Ab initio calculations have been carried out using the density functional theory (DFT) exchange-correlation function B3LYP with basis set of 6-311+G\*, to optimize the structures of substrate scope and calculate the  $\pi$ -  $\pi$  stabilization energy of the compounds SSICG-6.

**Crystallographic data and structure refinements.** Good quality single crystal of the compound was sorted out with the help of a polarizing microscope. The single crystal XRD diffraction data was collected using BRUKER AXS (D8 Quest System) X-ray diffractometer, equipped with a PHOTON 100 CMOS detector. Source of X-ray was a Mo K $\alpha$  ( $\lambda = 0.71073$  Å) radiation. Bruker

Apex III software was used for data collection, unit cell measurement, absorption corrections, scaling, and integration.<sup>2</sup> The data was reduced, and an empirical absorption correction was applied with the help of SAINTPLUS and SADABS programmes respectively.<sup>3, 4</sup> SHELXL97<sup>5</sup> present in the WinGx (Version 1.63.04a) programs were used to solve the crystal structure. The WinGx package of programmes was used to carry out the full-matrix least-squares refinement against the function  $|F^2|$ .<sup>6-8</sup> The calculated 'H's are fixed with the help of Olex2-1.5 programme.<sup>7, 8</sup> 'OMIT' command has been used to remove bad reflections. The structure detail of the compound is presented in Table 1. CCDC: 2325939 and 2325940 contains the crystallographic data of these compounds. These data is available from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Center (CCDC) *via* www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data\_request/cif.

Structural motif



Figure S1. Coordination environment of metal centre in (a) SSICG-6, and (b) SSICG-7.



Figure S2. Binding motif of (a) NIPA, (b) 4-ABPT in SSICG-6; and (c) NIPA, (d) 4-ABPT in SSICG-7.

#### Characterization



Figure S3. Color change of SSICG-6 on heating at 150 °C and cooling to rt.



Figure S4. (a) VT-PXRD of SSICG-7, (b)  $N_2$  sorption isotherm at 77K, (c) pore size distribution (PSD) plot, and (d) CO<sub>2</sub> sorption isotherm at 273 K of SSICG-6 and 7.

### Catalytic CO<sub>2</sub> cycloaddition



Figure. S5. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra for the cycloaddition reaction of epichlorohydrin using SSICG-6.



Figure. S6. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra for the cycloaddition reaction of epichlorohydrin using SSICG-7.

Entry	Catalyst	Conversion <sup>a</sup> (%)
1	$Co(OAc)_2 \cdot 4H_2O$	37
3	H <sub>2</sub> NIPA	29
4	4-ABPT	25
5	Without cocatalyst	43
6	Without catalyst	9

Table S1. Controlled reaction data for the CO<sub>2</sub> cycloaddition reactions

(a) Percentage of conversions were determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis.



Figure S7. Recyclability test for (a) SSICG-6 and (b) SSICG-7 catalyzed  $CO_2$  cycloaddition reaction up to three cycles.



Figure. S8. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra for the cycloaddition reaction of propylene oxide using SSICG-6.



Figure. S9. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra for the cycloaddition reaction of 1,2-epoxybutane using SSICG-6.



Figure. S10. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra for the cycloaddition reaction of 1,2-epoxyhexane using SSICG-6.



Figure. S11. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra for the cycloaddition reaction of allyl glycidyl ether using SSICG-6.



Figure. S12. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra for the cycloaddition reaction of styrene oxide using SSICG-6.



Figure. S13. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra for the cycloaddition reaction of phenyl glycidyl ether using SSICG-6.



Figure. S14. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra for the cycloaddition reaction of epoxycyclohexane using SSICG-6.

Table S2. Comparison table for the catalytic performance of SSICG-6 with other reported 1D catalysts for CO<sub>2</sub> cycloaddition reaction.

Entry	Catalyst	Time (h)	Pressure (bar)	Temperature (°C)	Conversion (%)	Ref.
1	$[Yb(\mu-L)(\mu_3-L)(H_2O)]_nBr_n$	12	1	70	98	9
2	BIT-C	12	1	35	96	10
3	ADES-3	8	10	80	99	11
4	ZrCl <sub>4</sub> ·(OEt <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> /SiO <sub>2-200</sub>	18	10	60	98	12
5	Ni-Co-MOF(M)	8	12	80	96	13
6	$Co(XN)(HCOO)_2(H_2O)_2$	12	1	80	99	14
7	SSICG-6	8	1	rt	99	This work



Scheme S1. Plausible mechanism of  $CO_2$  cycloaddition catalyzed by SSICG-6.

### **Catalytic Hantzsch Condensation**

Table 55. Controlled reaction data for the francesch condensation reactions	Table S3.	Controlled	reaction	data	for the	Hantzsch	condensation	reactions <sup>a</sup>
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Entry	Catalyst	Solvent	Temperature (°C)	Time (h)	Conversion (%)		
1	$Co(OAc)_2 \cdot 4H_2O$				26		
3	H <sub>2</sub> NIPA				19		
4	4-ABPT						-
5	$Co(OAc)_2 \cdot 4H_2O + H_2NIPA + 4-ABPT$	EtOH	60	6	29		
6 <sup>b</sup>	SSICG-6				48		
7	-				-		
8	SSICG-7			4	98		

<sup>a</sup>Reaction condition: benzaldehyde (1 mmol), ethyl acetoacetate (2 mmol), ammonium acetate (1 mmol), solvent (1 mL), catalyst (2.5 mol %).

<sup>b</sup>Catalyst was removed after 30 min.



Figure S15. Recyclability test for (a) SSICG-6 and (b) SSICG-7 catalyzed Hantzsch Condensation reaction up to three cycles.



Figure. S17. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra for 2b.











Figure. S20. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra for 2e.







Figure. S22. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra for 2g.



Figure. S23. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra for 2h.

Entry	Catalyst	Temp (°C)	Time (h)	Yield (%)	Ref.
1	TMU-33	rt	2	96	15
2	Fe-TUD-1	80	5	76	16
3	Zr-SBA-16	80	3	77	17
4	IRMOF-3	reflux	5	89	18
5	Cu(II)-MOF	60	2	98	19
6	Dy(DBM) <sub>3</sub> .bpy	80	5	93	20
7	$Cd(H_4L)_{0.5}(4,4';-bpy)_{0.5}(H_2O)_2$	60	4	99	21
8	SSICG-6	60	4	00	This work
9	SSICG-7	00	4	99	I IIS WORK

Table S4. Comparison table for the catalytic Hantzsch condensation performance of SSICG 6and 7 with other reported catalysts.

Table S5. Selected Bond Distances (Å) and Bond Angles (°)

#### SSICG-6

Co(1)-O(1)	2.077(5)	Co(1)-O(8)	2.124(5)	Co(1)-O(9)	2.143(5)
Co(1)-O(3)#1	2.119(5)	Co(1)-N(1)	2.134(6)	Co(1)-O(7)	2.150(5)

O(1)-Co(1)-O(3)#1	105.3(2)	O(8)-Co(1)-O(9)	88.7(2)
O(1)-Co(1)-O(8)	89.9(2)	N(1)-Co(1)-O(9)	91.9(2)
O(3)#1-Co(1)-O(8)	89.9(2)	O(1)-Co(1)-O(7)	89.4(2)
O(1)-Co(1)-N(1)	89.7(2)	O(3)#1-Co(1)-O(7)	165.22(19)
O(3)#1-Co(1)-N(1)	89.2(2)	O(8)-Co(1)-O(7)	92.0(2)
O(8)-Co(1)-N(1)	178.8(2)	N(1)-Co(1)-O(7)	89.1(2)
O(1)-Co(1)-O(9)	168.0(2)	O(9)-Co(1)-O(7)	78.73(19)
O(3)#1-Co(1)-O(9)	86.65(19)		

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms. #1 -x+1, y-1/2, -z+1/2

### SSICG-7

Co(1)-O(1)	2.043(2)	Co(1)-N(6)#1	2.124(3)	Co(1)-N(1)	2.142(3)
Co(1)-O(7)	2.082(2)	Co(1)-O(4)#2	2.135(3)	Co(1)-O(3)#2	2.244(3)
Co(1)-C(8)#2	2.501(4)				

O(1)-Co(1)-O(7)	90.02(10)	O(7)-Co(1)-O(3)#2	87.59(10)
O(1)-Co(1)-N(6)#1	110.93(12)	N(6)#1-Co(1)-O(3)#2	94.41(11)
O(7)-Co(1)-N(6)#1	90.33(11)	O(4)#2-Co(1)-O(3)#2	59.84(10)
O(1)-Co(1)-O(4)#2	95.00(11)	N(1)-Co(1)-O(3)#2	96.98(11)
O(7)-Co(1)-O(4)#2	92.35(11)	O(1)-Co(1)-C(8)#2	124.58(12)
N(6)#1-Co(1)-O(4)#2	153.93(11)	O(7)-Co(1)-C(8)#2	85.72(11)

O(1)-Co(1)-N(1)	87.36(11)	N(6)#1-Co(1)-C(8)#2	124.30(13)
O(7)-Co(1)-N(1)	174.22(12)	O(4)#2-Co(1)-C(8)#2	30.39(11)
N(6)#1-Co(1)-N(1)	85.79(12)	N(1)-Co(1)-C(8)#2	100.01(12)
O(4)#2-Co(1)-N(1)	93.02(12)	O(3)#2-Co(1)-C(8)#2	29.99(10)
O(1)-Co(1)-O(3)#2	154.57(11)		

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms. #1 -x+2,y+1/2,-z+1/2; #2 x,-y+3/2,z-1/2

Table S6. H-bonding interactions

	DH	A	d(HA) (Å)	D(DA) (Å)	< DHA ( <sup>0</sup> )
N5	H5B	06#1	2.43	2.953(12)	120
O7	H7A	02#2	1.94	2.754(7)	159
07	H7B	N2#3	2.01	2.826(7)	161
08	H8A	04#4	2.06	2.789(7)	144
08	H8B	02#2	2.03	2.855(8)	162
09	H9A	N6#5	2.22	2.723(9)	118w
09	H9B	07	2.39	2.724(7)	104w
09	H9B	03#1	2.11	2.916(7)	157

SSICG-6

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms. #1 3/2-x, -1/2+y, z; #2 -1/2+x, y, 1/2-z; #3 3/2-x,1/2+y, z; #4 2-x, -1/2+y,1/2-z; #5 3/2-x, -y, 1/2+z

DHA	d(HA) (Å)	D(DA) (Å)	< DHA ( <sup>0</sup> )
N5H5AO2#1	2.43	2.953(12)	120
N5H5BO4#2	1.94	2.754(7)	159
O7H7AO2	2.01	2.826(7)	161
O7H7BN3#3	2.06	2.789(7)	144

SSICG-7

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms. #1 1-x,-1/2+y,1/2-z; #2 x,1/2-y,1/2+z; #3 1+x,1/2-y,1/2+z

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