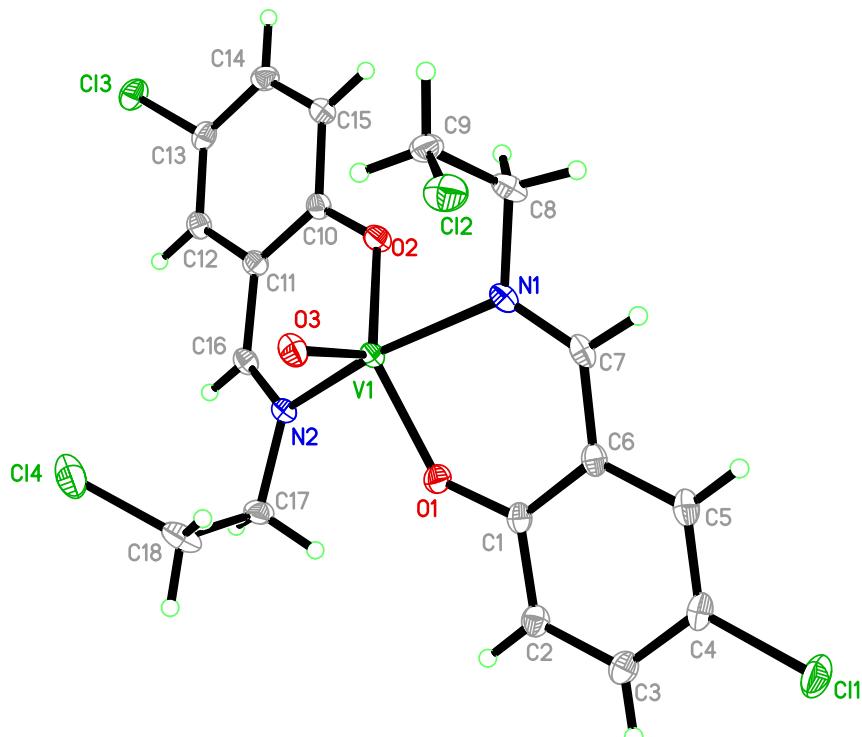


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# The crystal structure of bis(4-chloro-2-(((2-chloroethyl)imino)methyl)phenolato- $\kappa^2N,O$ )-oxidovanadium(IV), $C_{18}H_{16}Cl_4N_2O_3V$



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## Abstract

$C_{18}H_{16}Cl_4N_2O_3V$ , orthorhombic,  $Pbca$  (no. 61),  $a = 7.8555(3)$  Å,  $b = 21.6645(7)$  Å,  $c = 23.7584(8)$  Å,  $V = 4043.3(2)$  Å<sup>3</sup>,  $Z = 8$ ,  $R_{gt}(F) = 0.0296$ ,  $wR_{ref}(F^2) = 0.0799$ ,  $T = 296(2)$  K.

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The asymmetric unit of the molecular structure is shown in the figure. Table 1 contains crystallographic data and

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Table 2 contains the list of the atoms including atomic coordinates and displacement parameters.

## Source of material

In a 250 mL flask containing 50 mL of absolute methanol were added 5 mmol of 2-chloroethanamine hydrochloride

Table 1: Data collection and handling.

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| Crystal:   | Yellow block                                       |
| Size:  | 0.24 × 0.22 × 0.20 mm                              |
| Wavelength:  | Mo K $\alpha$ radiation (0.71073 Å)                |
| $\mu$ :  | 1.04 mm <sup>-1</sup>                              |
| Diffractometer, scan mode:   | Bruker APEX-II, $\varphi$ and $\omega$             |
| $\theta_{\max}$ , completeness:  | 28.4°, >99%  |
| $N(hkl)_{\text{measured}}$ , $N(hkl)_{\text{unique}}$ , $R_{\text{int}}$ : | 52,657, 5077, 0.037                                |
| Criterion for $I_{\text{obs}}$ , $N(hkl)_{\text{gt}}$ :                    | $I_{\text{obs}} > 2 \sigma(I_{\text{obs}})$ , 4204 |
| $N(\text{param})_{\text{refined}}$ :                                       | 253  |
| Programs:  | Bruker [1], Olex2 [2], SHELX [3, 4]                |

**Table 2:** Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (Å<sup>2</sup>).

| Atom | <i>x</i>     | <i>y</i>     | <i>z</i>    | <i>U</i> <sub>iso</sub> */* <i>U</i> <sub>eq</sub> |
|------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--|
| C1   | 0.96261 (19) | 0.84000 (7)  | 0.91069 (7) | 0.0223 (3)   |
| C2   | 1.0490 (2)   | 0.88008 (7)  | 0.94715 (7) | 0.0264 (3)   |
| H2   | 1.120267     | 0.863977     | 0.974748    | 0.032*   |
| C3   | 1.0295 (2)   | 0.94320 (8)  | 0.94254 (8) | 0.0284 (3)   |
| H3   | 1.088632     | 0.969354     | 0.966640    | 0.034*   |
| C4   | 0.9214 (2)   | 0.96775 (8)  | 0.90186 (8) | 0.0293 (4)   |
| C5   | 0.8342 (2)   | 0.93004 (8)  | 0.86593 (8) | 0.0290 (4)   |
| H5   | 0.762365     | 0.946995     | 0.838921    | 0.035*   |
| C6   | 0.85286 (19) | 0.86547 (7)  | 0.86972 (7) | 0.0238 (3)   |
| C7   | 0.7533 (2)   | 0.82770 (7)  | 0.83193 (7) | 0.0247 (3)   |
| H7   | 0.687520     | 0.848394     | 0.805420    | 0.030*   |
| C8   | 0.6319 (2)   | 0.74077 (8)  | 0.78918 (7) | 0.0295 (4)   |
| H8A  | 0.697539     | 0.713929     | 0.764757    | 0.035*   |
| H8B  | 0.583882     | 0.773356     | 0.766106    | 0.035*   |
| C9   | 0.4898 (2)   | 0.70435 (8)  | 0.81493 (8) | 0.0332 (4)   |
| H9A  | 0.536597     | 0.674730     | 0.841353    | 0.040*   |
| H9B  | 0.430871     | 0.681592     | 0.785667    | 0.040*   |
| C10  | 0.9680 (2)   | 0.60007 (7)  | 0.81768 (7) | 0.0228 (3)   |
| C11  | 1.0800 (2)   | 0.57444 (7)  | 0.85770 (7) | 0.0230 (3)   |
| C12  | 1.1414 (2)   | 0.51399 (7)  | 0.85043 (7) | 0.0249 (3)   |
| H12  | 1.214211     | 0.496880     | 0.877066    | 0.030*   |
| C13  | 1.0942 (2)   | 0.48022 (7)  | 0.80427 (7) | 0.0255 (3)   |
| C14  | 0.9875 (2)   | 0.50524 (7)  | 0.76341 (7) | 0.0268 (3)   |
| H14  | 0.958389     | 0.482248     | 0.731792    | 0.032*   |
| C15  | 0.9253 (2)   | 0.56427 (7)  | 0.77009 (7) | 0.0258 (3)   |
| H15  | 0.853922     | 0.580819     | 0.742744    | 0.031*   |
| C16  | 1.1342 (2)   | 0.60697 (7)  | 0.90758 (7) | 0.0240 (3)   |
| H16  | 1.219538     | 0.588614     | 0.928934    | 0.029*   |
| C17  | 1.1468 (2)   | 0.68071 (8)  | 0.97908 (7) | 0.0285 (4)   |
| H17A | 1.167050     | 0.724806     | 0.976862    | 0.034*   |
| H17B | 1.254909     | 0.660500     | 0.986046    | 0.034*   |
| C18  | 1.0268 (3)   | 0.66737 (10) | 1.02690 (8) | 0.0385 (4)   |
| H18A | 0.916831     | 0.685790     | 1.018956    | 0.046*   |
| H18B | 1.070585     | 0.685875     | 1.061143    | 0.046*   |
| Cl1  | 0.89366 (7)  | 1.04766 (2)  | 0.89870 (2) | 0.04335 (13)                                       |
| Cl2  | 0.34173 (6)  | 0.75320 (2)  | 0.85067 (2) | 0.04028 (12)                                       |
| Cl3  | 1.16452 (6)  | 0.40416 (2)  | 0.79803 (2) | 0.03444 (11)                                       |
| Cl4  | 1.00140 (7)  | 0.58634 (3)  | 1.03715 (2) | 0.05089 (15)                                       |
| N1   | 0.74635 (17) | 0.76841 (6)  | 0.83117 (5) | 0.0228 (3)   |
| N2   | 1.07598 (17) | 0.65876 (6)  | 0.92533 (5) | 0.0222 (3)   |
| O1   | 0.98674 (15) | 0.78001 (5)  | 0.91608 (5) | 0.0269 (2)   |
| O2   | 0.90385 (15) | 0.65630 (5)  | 0.82275 (5) | 0.0258 (2)   |
| O3   | 0.72159 (15) | 0.68821 (6)  | 0.92694 (5) | 0.0292 (3)   |
| V1   | 0.87579 (3)  | 0.70857 (2)  | 0.88741 (2) | 0.01983 (8)  |

and 5 mmol of 3-chloro-2-hydroxybenzaldehyde. Then 5 mmol of NaOH was dissolved in 2 mL H<sub>2</sub>O, added to the above solution and the contents were refluxed for 3 h at 343 K. After cooling to room temperature, we added 10 mL methanol containing 2.5 mmol of vanadyl acetylacetone. To this solution was added 30 mL trichloromethane and

filtered off. The filtrate was refluxed with stirring for 3 h at 343 K. The yellow crystals that formed were filtered off and after 10 days at room temperature.

## Experimental details

A suitable crystal was selected and mounted on a ‘Bruker APEX-II CCD’ diffractometer. Using Olex2 [2], the structure was solved with the XT [3] structure solution program and refined with the ShelXL [4] refinement package. All of hydrogen atoms were added using a riding model. Their *U*<sub>iso</sub> values were set to 1.2*U*<sub>eq</sub> of the parent atoms.

## Comment

Vanadium compounds as insulin mimics have been studied for more than 20 years [5, 6]. A great number of organic vanadium compounds were synthesized, including oxovanadium, peroxovanadium and vanadium hydroxylamido compounds [7, 8]. These complexes contain a five or seven-coordinated vanadium. However, due to the complexity of vanadium coordination mode, the possible correlation between the biological activity and the coordination structure of the vanadium compounds is still very elusive [9]. These results prompted us to choose structurally similar ligands that could engage in multiple, simultaneous coordination modes and to use such molecular in the assembly of novel complexes.

The crystallographic data revealed that the vanadium(IV) ion was surrounded by two oxygen and two nitrogen atoms from two Schiff base ligands and one oxygen atom from an oxo ligand in the five-coordinated geometry (see the Figure). The geometry around the vanadium(IV) ion is a tetragonal pyramidal, as indicated by the unequal metal-ligand bond distances and angles: i.e. V1\O1 = 1.9023(12) Å, V1\O2 = 1.9212(11) Å, V1\N1 = 2.1213(13) Å, V1\N2 = 2.1093(13) Å and V1\O3 = 1.5949(12) Å. All distances and angles in the title complex agree well with the same distances in other vanadium(IV) complexes [10–12]. There are also exist weak non-classical C–H···O and C–H···Cl hydrogen bonds stabilizing the structure.

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