

## Crystal Structure of Octahedral Cobalt(II) Complex of a Di-*N*-carboxymethylated Tetraaza Macrocycle

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The complex  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{L})\text{Cl}_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (1) ( $\text{H}_2\text{L} = 2,13\text{-bis}(2\text{-carboxymethyl})\text{-}5,16\text{-dimethyl-}2,6,13,17\text{-tetraazatricyclo}[16,4,0^{1.18},0^{7.12}]\text{docosane}$ ) has been synthesized and structurally characterized. 1 crystallizes in the triclinic space group  $P\bar{1}$ ,  $a = 8.958(2)$  Å,  $b = 9.513(1)$  Å,  $c = 9.679(1)$  Å,  $\alpha = 92.57(1)^\circ$ ,  $\beta = 93.47(1)^\circ$ ,  $\gamma = 116.33(1)^\circ$ ,  $V = 735.54(19)$  Å<sup>3</sup>,  $Z = 1$ . The complex (1) has a centrosymmetric cation with anions and water molecules on general sites. The two pendant carboxymethyl groups of the macrocyclic ligand are *trans* to each other, and the absolute configuration is a *trans*-III in the solid state. The coordination geometry of the cobalt atom is a distorted octahedron, with an average Co-N distance of 1.999(3) Å and a Co-O(1) distance of 1.903(4) Å

