

## Different supramolecular architectures in self-assembled praseodymium(III) and europium(III) complexes with rare coordination pattern of salicylaldimine ligand.

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The metal-promoted one-step reaction of 5-methylsalicylaldehyde with 1,3-phenylenediamine in the presence of europium(III) or praseodymium(III) ions produces salicylaldimine complexes containing the *N,N'*-bis(5-methylsalicylidene)-1,3-phenylenediamine ligand ( $C_{22}H_{20}N_2O_2 = H_2L$ ) as a result of the [2 + 1] Schiff base condensation. The compounds were characterized by spectroscopic data (ESI-MS, IR,  $^1H$  NMR, UV-Vis, luminescence), magnetic measurements, thermogravimetric analysis and X-ray crystallography. The crystal structures of the complexes reveal two different supramolecular architectures: a finite dimer in  $\{[Eu_2(\mu-C_{22}H_{20}N_2O_2)_2(C_{22}H_{20}N_2O_2)_2(NO_3)_6] \cdot 2CH_3CN\}$  complex with a nine-coordinate distorted tricapped trigonal antiprism geometry and an infinite two-dimensional polymer in  $\{[Pr_2(\mu-C_{22}H_{20}N_2O_2)_4(NO_3)_6]_{\infty} \cdot 4CH_3CN\}$  complex with ten-coordinate distorted bicapped dodecahedron geometry. The rare coordinated pattern of salicylaldimine is observed in these complexes in which the potentially tetradentate  $N_2O_2$  Schiff base acts as undeprotonated monodentate and/or bridging ligands that use exclusively the oxygens as donor atoms with the nitrogen atoms not being involved in coordination.

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