

Synthesis and Photoelectron Spectroscopic Studies of Homonuclear Bimetallic Macrocylic Complexes [M₂L]

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Abstract

Here, we have synthesized macrocylic ligand [L] by using 1,3-benzaldehyde and diethylenetriamine. After that we used this macrocylic ligand for the preparation of Bimetallic Macrocylic Complexes [M₂L] through chemical condensation method. The synthesized complexes were characterized by elemental analysis, IR, XPS data, NMR and U.V. Visible spectroscopy.

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Introduction

Macrocylic ligands have full potential to adopt metal ions. Several examples of such type of ligands as a crown ethers, porphyrin and saturated or unsaturated macrocylic polyamines are well known and their chemical properties and function as metal complexes have been systematically heightened by the facile and diversified chemical modification of their macrocylic framework¹. Therefore the design and study of macrocylic complexes with desirable properties is still a notable achievement. The direct synthesis or template synthesis is the heart of macrocylic chemistry (Curtis 1968) and have been widely used for synthesis of macrocylic complexes where transition metal ions are widely used as templating metal agents². There are very few complexes of mono-oxygenases although tyrosinase is believed³⁻⁴, Karlin et al⁵. A number of synthetic models of tyrosinase, based on open-chain binucleating ligands, have been reported⁴. A Schiff base binucleating ligand with amino and one imidazole nitrogen donor per Cu(I)⁶. A large number of macrocylic⁷⁻⁸ and their complexes with transition metal ion have been synthesized and characterized. Over the past decades great attention has been devoted to the design and synthesis of Schiff bases with enhanced ability to selectively encapsulate the given metal ion⁹⁻¹⁰. Transition metal complexes of macrocylic ligands have been studied for many years¹¹. Recently, interest has drawn by their catalytic properties, which led to industrial applications¹²⁻¹³. Macrocylic complexes are significant as they can be used as catalysts in many organic oxidation reactions¹³ and they have been found to act as possible models for biochemically important proteins and enzymes¹⁴⁻¹⁸.

Prompted by these facts in the present paper some homonuclear M(II) (Where M=Pb(II), Zn(II), Ni(II), Cu(II) and Co(II)) complexes synthesized with macrocylic ligand and characterized on reduced macrocylic molecule derived from 1,3 benzyldehyde and diethyltriamine have been discussed and characterized by using ¹H NMR, IR, ESF-MS elemental analysis and photoelectron spectroscopy.

We report here the synthesis of macrocylic binucleating Schiff base ligand MX₂ DIEN₂ containing two m-Xylyl bridging moieties and two tertentatebis-imine nitrogen site and the activation of dioxygen by the corresponding dinuclear M(II) complex leading to hydroxylation of one of the arene rings.

Here, we have synthesized macrocyclic ligand [L] by using 1,3benzaldehyde and diethylenetriamine. After that we used this macrocyclic ligand for the preparation of Bimetallic Macrocyclic Complexes [M₂L] through chemical condensation method. The synthesized complexes were characterized by elemental analysis, IR, XPS data, NMR and U.V. Visible spectroscopy. IR spectra in KBr were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer 457 IR spectrophotometer. Elemental analysis was carried out in a Coleman automatic carbon, hydrogen and nitrogen analyser. The X-ray photoelectron spectra i.e. XPS were recorded on a VG Scientific ESCA-3MK II electron spectrometer.

Experimental

All chemical reagents starting materials as well as solvents were of analytical grade and purchased commercially and used without further purification.

Preparation of Ligand

The ligand was prepared by direct synthesis as Schiff base dimerization condensation of reaction between 1,3benzaldehyde and triamine with 1:1 molar ratio. A solution of MeCN (150 mL) was added dropwise to solution of diethylenetriamine (1 mmol) with continuous stirring in MeCN solution for 2 hr. A white precipitate is formed after 16 hr and was recrystallized from CH₂Cl₂/MeCN. Elemental analysis for complexes for C₂₄H₃₀N₆ on C, N, H based.

The ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra suggested the presence of macrocyclic complex MX₂DIEN₂ (2). The macrocyclic ligand was reduced with NaBH₄ in absolute ethanol. After the completion of reaction the solvent was removed under reduced pressure and product was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ from aqueous solution. A colorless oil obtained upon removal of CH₂Cl₂ solvent under reduced pressure. About 4 ml of 50% HBr was added to the oily product. The white precipitate was recrystallized from mixture of H₂O and MeOH (20 ml and 125 ml) colorless crystal of (4) formed after 50 hr.

Preparation of [M₂L]₂ X₂ Complexes with Macrocyclic ligand(L)

Where M=Pb(II), Zn(II), Ni(II), Cu(II) and Co(II), (X= NO₃⁻, ClO₄⁻):

The metal salts of MCl₂ was refluxed with the macrocyclic ligand MX₂DIEN₂ (I) in 2:1 molar ratio (in CH₂Cl₂). The colorless ligand solution formed colored complexes and these M(II) macrocyclic complexes (II) were stable at room temperature. When these complexes exposed to dioxygen at room temperature color gradually turned dark. The metal complexes were recrystallized with ethanol. The MeCN solution of green solid obtained upon evaporation of CH₂Cl₂ respectively IR band about 3500cm⁻¹ a near U.V. band at 365 nm and an ¹H NMR peak CD₃CN at δ 12.6 (reference Me₄Si) assigned to an OH bond to M(II). These spectral data characterized of phenoxo and hydroxo – bridged binuclear M(II) complexes.

Experimental Data of complex [Pb₂L]₂X₂:

IR band about 3500cm⁻¹ a near U.V. band at 365 nm and an ¹H NMR peak CD₃CN at 12.6 (reference Me₄Si) assigned to an OH bond to M(II). Elemental analysis of [C₂₄H₂₈N₆O₁₀Pb₂]₄₊ found as C= 27.4(cal 27.3), N= 8.04(8.0), O= 15.2(15.3), Pb= 39.4(39.6) % and Molar conductivity was found as 22 ohm⁻¹cm²mole⁻¹.

Experimental Data of complex [Zn₂L]₂X₂:

IR band about 3500cm⁻¹ a near U.V. band at 365 nm and an ¹H NMR peak CD₃CN at 12.6 (reference Me₄Si) assigned to an OH bond to M(II). Elemental analysis of [C₂₄H₂₈N₆O₁₀Zn₂]₄₊ found as C= 37.6(cal 37.8), N= 11.0(11.3), O= 20.8(21.0), Zn= 17.4(17.6) % and Molar conductivity found as 20 ohm⁻¹cm²mole⁻¹.

Experimental Data of complex [Ni₂L]X₂:

IR band about 3500cm⁻¹ a near U.V. band at 365 nm and an ¹H NMR peak CD₃CN at δ 12.6 (reference Me₄Si) assigned to an OH bond to M(II). Elemental analysis of [C₂₄H₂₈N₆O₁₀Ni₂]4⁺ found as C= 35.4(cal 38.5), N= 11.0(11.2), O= 21.6(21.4), Ni= 15.4(15.6) % and Molar conductivity found as 28 ohm⁻¹cm²mole⁻¹.

Experimental Data of complex [Cu₂L]X₂:

IR band about 3500cm⁻¹ a near U.V. band at 365 nm and an ¹H NMR peak CD₃CN at 12.6 (reference Me₄Si) assigned to an OH bond to M(II). Elemental analysis of [C₂₄H₂₈N₆O₁₀Cu₂]4⁺ found as C= 38.2(38.0), N= 11.0(11.0), O= 21.2(21.0), Cu= 16.7(17.8) % and Molar conductivity found as 24 ohm⁻¹cm²mole⁻¹.

Experimental Data of complex [Co₂L]X₂:

IR band about 3500cm⁻¹ a near U.V. band at 365 nm and an ¹H NMR peak CD₃CN at 12.6 (reference Me₄Si) assigned to an OH bond to M(II). Elemental analysis of [C₂₄H₂₈N₆O₁₀Co₂]4⁺ found as C= 38.2(38.3), N= 11.2(11.2), O= 21.4(21.5), Co= 15.6(15.7) % and Molar conductivity found as 30 ohm⁻¹cm²mole⁻¹.

Table 1: Analytical data of [M₂.L].X₂ Where M=Pb(II), Zn(II), Ni(II), Cu(II) and Co(II), X= NO₃⁻, ClO₃⁻

Sr. No.	Compound	% (Calculated) Found					Molar conductance ohm ⁻¹ cm ² mole ⁻¹
		M	C	H	N	O	
1.	[Pb ₂ .L].X ₂	39.6 (39.4)	27.6 (27.3)	2.7 (2.8)	8.0 (7.8)	5.7 (5.6)	22
2.	[Zn ₂ .L].X ₂	17.6 (17.4)	37.8 (37.7)	3.7 (3.7)	11.0 (11.0)	21.0 (21.0)	20
3.	[Ni ₂ .L].X ₂	15.6 (15.5)	38.5 (38.5)	3.7 (3.6)	11.2 (12.2)	21.3 (21.2)	28
4.	[Cu ₂ .L].X ₂	16.7 (16.6)	38.0 (38.0)	3.7 (3.6)	11.0 (11.0)	21.0 (21.0)	24
5.	[Co ₂ .L].X ₂	15.7 (15.6)	38.3 (38.2)	3.7 (3.6)	11.2 (11.2)	21.3 (21.2)	30

Table 2: M 3p_{1/2, 3/2} binding energies (eV) in [M₂.L]Cl₂ Where M=Pb(II), Zn(II), Ni(II), Cu(II) and Co(II), X= NO₃⁻, ClO₃⁻

Sr. No.	Compound	Pb 3p _{1/2, 3/2}	
		Pb 3p _{1/2}	Pb 3p _{3/2}
1.	[Pb ₂ .L].X ₂	559.6	531.6
2.	[Zn ₂ .L].X ₂	1044.8	1021.8
3.	[Ni ₂ .L].X ₂	872.8	855.8
4.	[Cu ₂ .L].X ₂	951.6	931.6
5.	[Co ₂ .L].X ₂	794.8	780.8

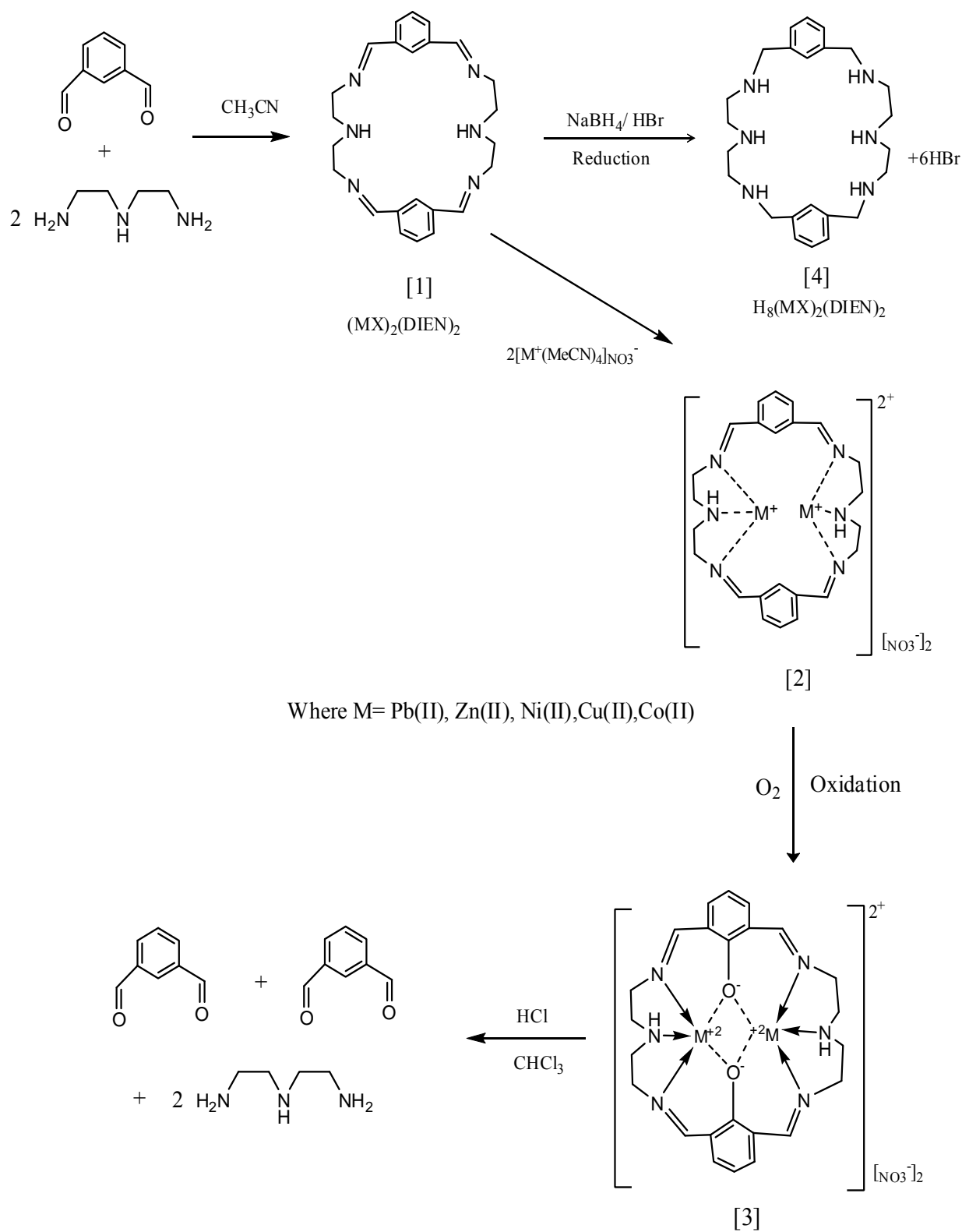


Fig. 1 Proposed scheme for the preparation of compounds [M₂.L]X₂

Table 3: N 1s binding energies (eV) in $[M_2.L]Cl_2$ Where M=Pb(II),Zn(II),Ni(II),Cu(II) and Co(II), X= NO_3, ClO_3

Sr.No.	Compounds	N1s	
		Uncoordinated	Coordinated
1.	$[Pb_2.L].X_2$	399.6(4)	403.4(6)
2.	$[Zn_2.L].X_2$	399.6(3)	403.4(7)
3.	$[Ni_2.L].X_2$	399.6(3)	403.4(7)
4.	$[Cu_2.L].X_2$	399.6(3)	403.4(7)
5.	$[Co_2.L].X_2$	399.6(3)	403.4(7)

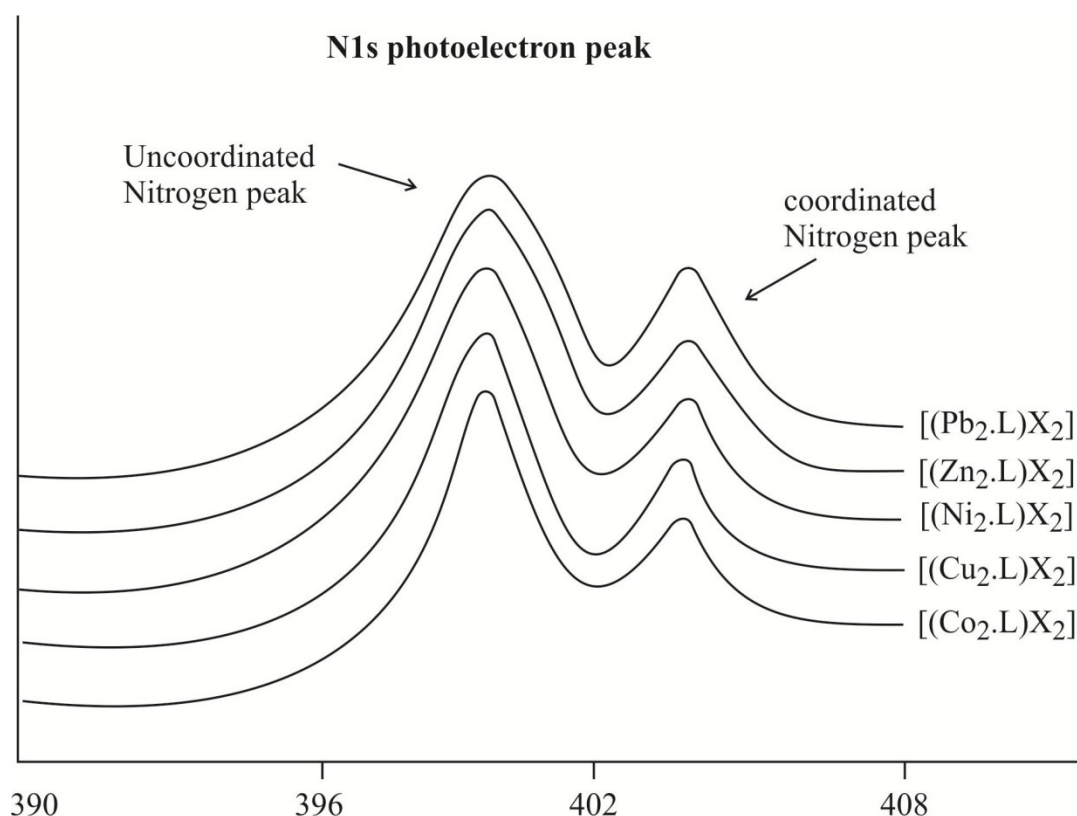


Fig. 2 N1s photoelectron peak BE(eV) in $[M_2.L]X_2$ compounds, where M= Pb(II), Zn(II), Ni(II), Cu(II) and Co(II).

Result and Discussion:

The binding energies (eV) of M $3p_{1/2, 3/2}$ in $[M_2.L].X_2$ Where M=Pb(II), Zn(II), Ni(II), Cu(II) and Co(II), X= NO_3, ClO_3 and N1s photoelectron peaks are listed in table 1-2 (Fig 2-3). It was observed that the binding energies of M $3p_{1/2,3/2}$ in starting material Ligand(L) was lower than their prepared molecular adducts i.e. $[M_2.L]X_2$. These observation suggested that electron density on the M(II) metal ion has

increased due to coordination of ligands with M(II) metal ion¹⁹. (Fig 1-3). Moreover, N1s photoelectron peaks with intensity ratio 6:6 in $[M_2.L]X_2$ Where M= Pb(II), Zn(II), Ni(II), Cu(II) and Co(II), X= NO_3^- , ClO_3^- at 399.6 (eV) in $[M_2.L]X_2$ suggested all six nitrogen are coordinated and at 403.4 (eV) in ligand suggested all six nitrogen are uncoordinated¹⁹. (Fig. 1) (Table 1,2).

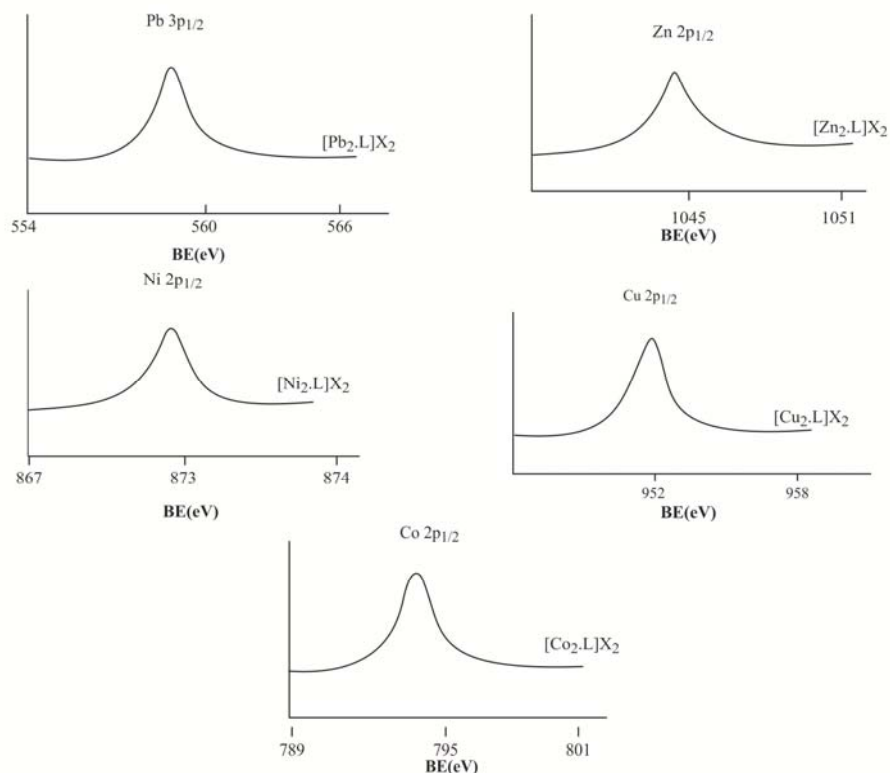


Fig. 3 M 3p1/2 binding energies(eV) in $[M_2.L]X_2$ compounds where M= Pb(II), Zn(II), Ni(II), Cu(II) and Co(II).

The elemental analysis data of compound (4) point out the presence of Schiff base type macrocyclic ligand. ¹H NMR data peak at $\delta=3.3$ to 3.4 multiple of CH₂ of DIEN), $\delta=4.32$ (singlet H for CH₂ m-xylyl), $\delta=7.40$ (singlet for aromatic H) and 7.60 (singlet aromatic H) in ratio of 8:4:3:1 respectively.

¹³C NMR in CDCl₃ (reference Me₄Si) product peaks at δ 41.95 and 43.86 (CH₂ DIEN), 50.96 (CH₂ of m-xylyl), 130.50, 131.80 and 132.06 (4 non equivalent aromatic carbon). Yield 2.20 gms 2.30 mmol 66%, overall yield 48%. A satisfactory elemental analysis C=70.20(calculated 70.20) H=9.32(9.33), N=20.4(20.4) based on C₂₄H₃₈N₆ 6HBr i.e. H₈MX₂DIEN₂ 6HBr was obtained.

Conclusion

The complexes 1-4 we synthesized are of good yield. We also show the effect of anions on coordination with metal. On the basis of elemental analysis, IR and XPS data the structural geometry of above complexes 1-4 are determined as octahedral geometry.

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