Synthesis and Structural Characterization of Bis(aziridine) Cobalt(II), Zinc(II) and Palladium(II) Complexes

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The reactions of anhydrous metal chlorides MCl₂ [M = Co(II), Zn(II), Pd(II)] with aziridines (az) in CH₂Cl₂ at r. t. in a 1 : 5 molar ratio afforded the bis(aziridine)dichloro complexes $M(az)_2Cl_2$. After purification, all complexes were fully characterized. The solid state structures were determined using single crystal X-ray diffraction, and showed tetrahedral coordination geometries for the Co(II) and Zn(II) centers and *trans*-configurated square planar geometries for Pd(II).

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