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Title: Ternary Complexes of Zinc(II), Cyclen and Pyridinecarboxylic Acids

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Table S1 Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) found in the studied crystal structures.

| [Zn(cyclen)(NO ₃)]ClO ₄ | | | | [Zn(cyclen)(L ⁴)](ClO ₄) ₂ | | | |
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| bonds | Å | angles | ° | bonds | Å | angles | ° |
| Zn–O1 | 1.998(3) | O1–Zn–N11 | 116.31(16) | Zn–N1 | 2.029(3) | N1–Zn–N11 | 118.80(13) |
| Zn–N11 | 2.097(4) | O1–Zn–N14 | 106.97(17) | Zn–N11 | 2.112(3) | N1–Zn–N14 | 111.20(13) |
| Zn–N14 | 2.148(5) | O1–Zn–N17 | 109.46(16) | Zn–N14 | 2.139(4) | N1–Zn–N17 | 104.94(13) |
| Zn–N17 | 2.124(4) | O1–Zn–N110 | 113.95(17) | Zn–N17 | 2.136(3) | N1–Zn–N110 | 110.99(13) |
| Zn–N110 | 2.124(5) | N11–Zn–N14 | 82.2(2) | Zn–N110 | 2.164(3) | N11–Zn–N14 | 82.81(16) |
| N1–O1 | 1.255(5) | N11–Zn–N17 | 134.09(17) | | | N11–Zn–N17 | 136.25(14) |
| N1–O2 | 1.196(6) | N11–Zn–N110 | 83.0(2) | | | N11–Zn–N110 | 82.26(15) |
| N1–O3 | 1.213(5) | N14–Zn–N17 | 81.5(2) | | | N14–Zn–N17 | 82.34(16) |
| | | N14–Zn–N110 | 138.92(19) | | | N14–Zn–N110 | 137.39(14) |
| | | N17–Zn–N110 | 81.8(2) | | | N17–Zn–N110 | 81.47(15) |
| [Zn(cyclen)] ₂ (μ ₂ -L ²)](ClO ₄) ₃ | | | | [Zn(cyclen)] ₂ (μ ₂ -η ¹ :η ² -L ¹)](ClO ₄) ₃ ·H ₂ O | | | |
| bonds | Å | bonds | Å | bonds | Å | bonds | Å |
| Zn1–N1 | 2.026(2) | Zn2–O1 | 1.9237(18) | Zn1–N1 | 2.154(9) | Zn2–O2 | 1.945(8) |
| Zn1–N11 | 2.123(2) | Zn2–N21 | 2.137(2) | Zn1–O1 | 2.232(8) | Zn2–N21 | 2.079(16) |
| Zn1–N14 | 2.129(2) | Zn2–N24 | 2.133(3) | Zn1–N11 | 2.128(10) | Zn2–N24 | 2.157(18) |
| Zn1–N17 | 2.146(2) | Zn2–N27 | 2.168(3) | Zn1–N14 | 2.143(12) | Zn2–N27 | 2.110(15) |
| Zn1–N110 | 2.139(2) | Zn2–N210 | 2.111(2) | Zn1–N17 | 2.201(11) | Zn2–N210 | 2.127(17) |
| C3–C7 | 1.507(3) | | | Zn1–N110 | 2.142(11) | | |
| C7–O1 | 1.273(3) | | | C2–C7 | 1.488(15) | | |
| C7–O2 | 1.234(3) | | | C7–O1 | 1.237(13) | | |
| | | | | C7–O2 | 1.257(13) | | |
| angles | ° | angles | ° | angles | ° | angles | ° |
| | | O1–Zn2–N21 | 116.93(9) | N1–Zn1–O1 | 74.9(3) | O2–Zn2–N21 | 123.7(5) |
| | | O1–Zn2–N24 | 102.92(9) | O1–Zn1–N11 | 83.1(3) | O2–Zn2–N24 | 107.4(6) |
| | | O1–Zn2–N27 | 105.84(9) | O1–Zn1–N14 | 106.6(5) | O2–Zn2–N27 | 101.1(6) |
| | | O1–Zn2–N210 | 120.01(9) | O1–Zn1–N17 | 171.1(4) | O2–Zn2–N210 | 116.7(5) |
| N1–Zn1–N11 | 117.08(9) | | | O1–Zn1–N110 | 94.2(4) | | |
| N1–Zn1–N14 | 114.90(9) | | | N1–Zn1–N11 | 157.9(4) | | |
| N1–Zn1–N17 | 106.40(9) | | | N1–Zn1–N14 | 102.2(5) | | |
| N1–Zn1–N110 | 107.64(9) | | | N1–Zn1–N17 | 98.4(4) | | |
| N11–Zn1–N14 | 81.84(9) | N21–Zn2–N24 | 82.26(11) | N1–Zn1–N110 | 102.0(4) | N21–Zn2–N24 | 80.0(9) |
| N11–Zn1–N17 | 136.43(9) | N21–Zn2–N27 | 136.69(9) | N11–Zn1–N14 | 81.9(5) | N21–Zn2–N27 | 135.1(7) |
| N11–Zn1–N110 | 82.61(9) | N21–Zn2–N210 | 82.64(10) | N11–Zn1–N17 | 103.7(4) | N21–Zn2–N210 | 80.9(9) |
| N14–Zn1–N17 | 82.69(9) | N24–Zn2–N27 | 81.92(11) | N11–Zn1–N110 | 81.5(5) | N24–Zn2–N27 | 84.8(11) |
| N14–Zn1–N110 | 137.28(9) | N24–Zn2–N210 | 136.79(10) | N14–Zn1–N17 | 80.3(6) | N24–Zn2–N210 | 135.5(7) |
| N17–Zn1–N110 | 81.78(9) | N27–Zn2–N210 | 81.95(10) | N14–Zn1–N110 | 151.5(5) | N27–Zn2–N210 | 81.0(11) |
| | | | | N17–Zn1–N110 | 81.4(5) | | |

Fig. S2 Arrangement of the chelate rings in $[\{\text{Zn}(\text{cyclen})\}_2(\mu\text{-}\eta^1:\eta^2\text{-L}^1\text{-N,N,O}')\text{]}^{3+}$ cation found in the structure of $[\{\text{Zn}(\text{cyclen})\}_2(\mu\text{-}\eta^1:\eta^2\text{-L}^1\text{-N,N,O}')\text{]}(\text{ClO}_4)_3\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$.

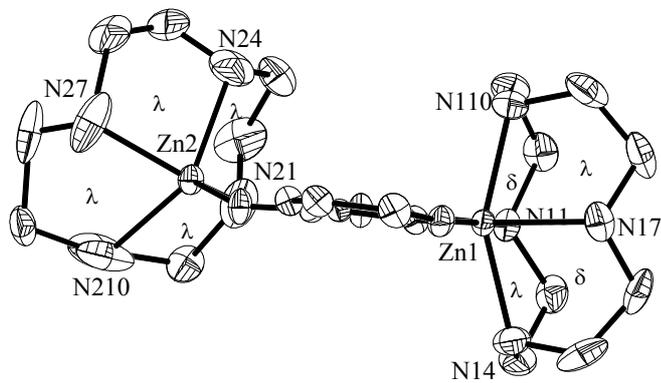


Fig. S3 Distribution of the complex species formed in the Zn^{2+} - H_xL^n systems as a function of $-\log[\text{H}^+]$; HL^1 = picolinic acid, HL^2 = nicotinic acid, H_2L^3 = dipicolinic acid, L^4 = nicotinamide, molar ratio Zn^{2+} - $\text{H}_x\text{L}^n = 1:2$, $c(\text{Zn}^{2+}) = 0.004 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$.

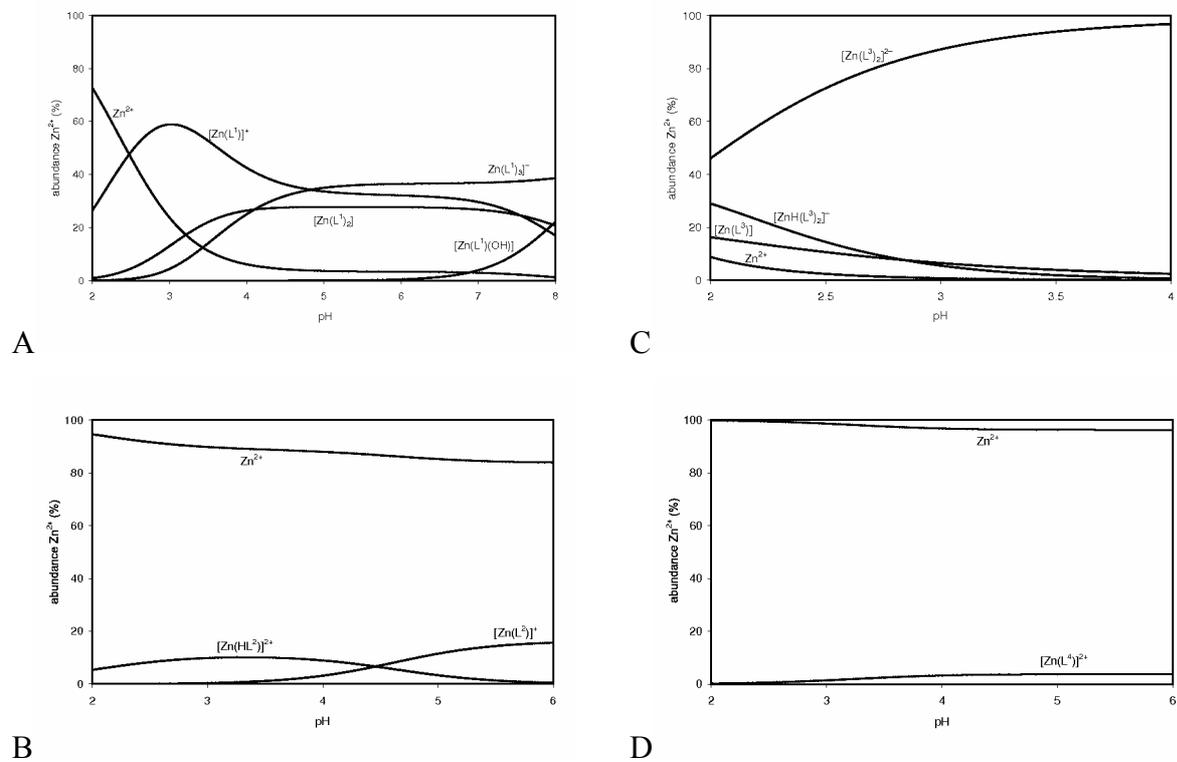


Fig. S4 Distribution of the complex species formed in the Zn^{2+} -cyclen system as a function of $-\log[\text{H}^+]$; $c(\text{Zn}^{2+}) = c(\text{cyclen}) = 0.004 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$.

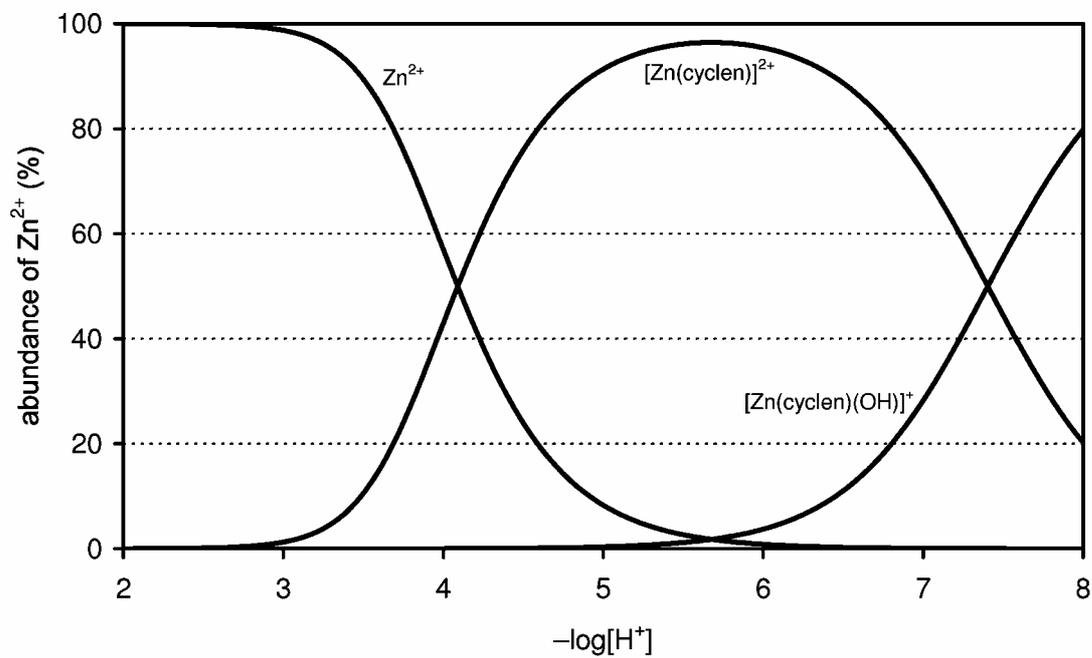


Fig. 5

Calculated distribution of Zn^{2+} in the ternary Zn^{2+} -cyclen- H_xL^n systems as a function of $-\log[H^+]$ for molar ratio Zn^{2+} :cyclen: $H_xL^n = 1:1:1$ – A) HL^1 , B) HL^2 , C) H_2L^3 (binary Zn^{2+} -cyclen species (green), binary Zn^{2+} - H_xL^n species (blue) and ternary Zn^{2+} -cyclen- H_xL^n species (red)). Comparison of total abundance of all binary Zn^{2+} -cyclen species in the ternary 1:1:1 mixtures (green), all binary Zn^{2+} - H_xL^n species in the ternary 1:1:1 mixtures (blue) and all ternary complexes (red) with total abundance of Zn^{2+} -cyclen (dotted red) and Zn^{2+} - H_xL^n (dotted blue) complexes found in the binary mixtures for Zn^{2+} :cyclen = 1:1 and Zn^{2+} : $H_xL^n = 1:1$, respectively – D) HL^1 , E) HL^2 , F) H_2L^3 . Abbreviation “cyc” stays for cyclen, $c(Zn^{2+}) = 0.004 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ in all cases.

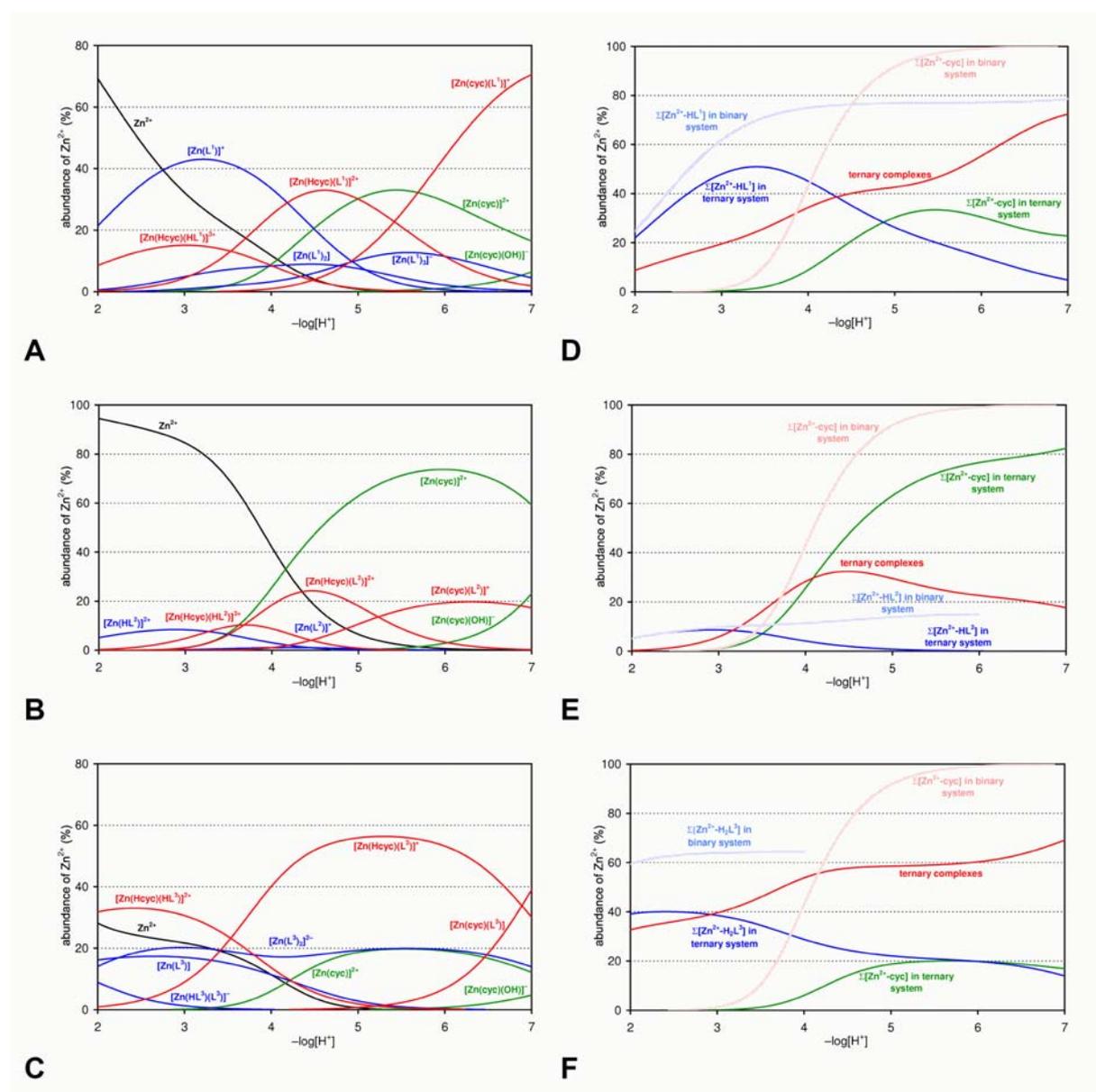


Fig. 7

A) Abundance of cyclen-containing species the $\text{Zn}^{2+}:\text{cyclen}:\text{HL}^1 = 1:1:1$ system; $c(\text{Zn}^{2+}) = 0.004 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$; ternary species (red), binary species (green). B) Comparison of sum of ^1H NMR signal integral intensities of protonated cyclen species (red diamonds) with total abundance of the protonated cyclam species (black line) and the deprotonated $[\text{Zn}(\text{cyclen})]^{2+}$ complex (violet line) calculated from potentiometry.

