3.7.5 Crystallographic description of the Complexes C17

The reaction between MoO₂(acac)₂ and Schiff base containing furyl substituent leads to a water-coordinated derivative in which 4,4'-bipyridine interacts indirectly, through the water molecule, in an outer-sphere coordination mode. The Mo(VI) atom in the co-crystal, MoO₂(H₂O)(C₁₄H₁₂N₂O₄).0.5C₁₀H₁₀N₂, is *O*,*N*,*O*'-chelated by the deprotonated Schiff base and coordinated by the teminal oxo oxygen atom and water O atoms in an octahedral geometry (fig. 39). The five-membered chelate ring is planar [r.m.s. deviation 0.019 Å] but the six-membered chelate ring is puckered [r.m.s. deviation 0.108 Å]. Two mononuclear molecules are linked across a center-of-inversion by an O–H_{water}···O hydrogen bond while the adjacent dinuclear units are linked by an *O*–H_{water}···N_{4,4'-bipyridine} hydrogen bond to generate a linear chain structure (table 33). The 4,4'-bipyridine molecule is disordered over two positions in a 1:1 ratio.

Table 33. Hydrogen bonds in **C17** [Å and °].

D-HA	d(D-H)	d(HA)	d(DA)	<(DHA)	
O1w-H11N3	0.83 (1)	1.86 (1)	2.689 (3)	174 (3)	
O1w-H12N1#	0.84 (1)	1.97 (1)	2.794 (2)	167 (3)	

Symmetry code#: -x+2, -y+1, -z+1

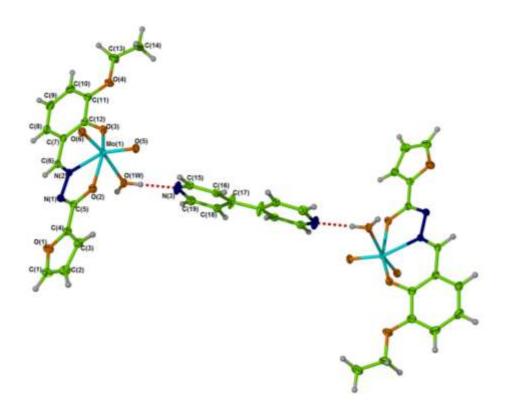


Figure 39: Ellipsoidal plot of C17 with 50% level of probability. The atomic coordinates were given in the Appendix on page 244.

3.7.6 Crystallographic description of the Binuclear and Polynuclear Complexes

The molecular structures and the atom-numbering scheme for C18– C23 (Figs. 40 – 46) show that in C18 and C19, the Schiff base ligands also behave as tridentate ligands, and reacted with the dioxomolybdenum cation to form six coordinated molybdenum(VI), in which the bidentate ligand, 4,4'-bipyridine or 4,4'-bipyridine *N,N'*-dioxide(D-D) formed a bridge between the two molybdenum atoms. In the case of C20-C23, the two molybdenum atoms are not bridged directly by a bidentate ligand, but are coordinated at each end to the O,N,O donor atoms of the symmetrical hexadentate Schiff base ligand. The reaction of the bidentate ligand, 4,4'-bipyridine and symmetrical hexadentate Schiff base ligand with MoO₂(acac)₂ yielded a polynuclear Mo(VI), C24. All the complexes possess two equivalent halves with a center of inversion except for C18, in which the two halves of the dinuclear complex are not crystallographically equivalent but their structural dimension is closely related.

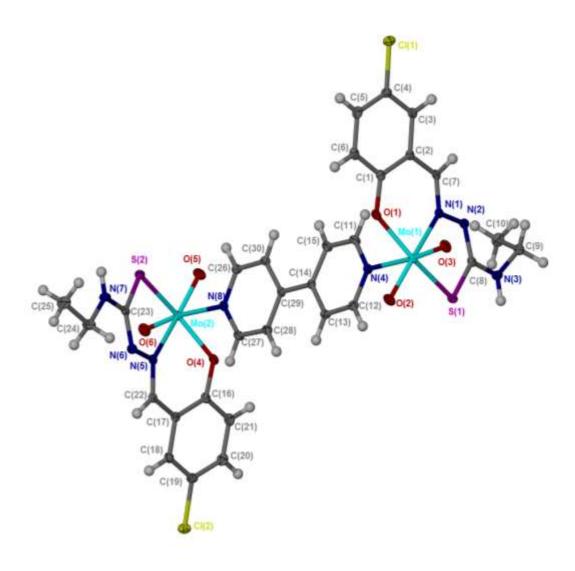


Figure 40: Ellipsoidal plot of C18 with 50% level of probability. The atomic coordinates were given in the Appendix on page 245.

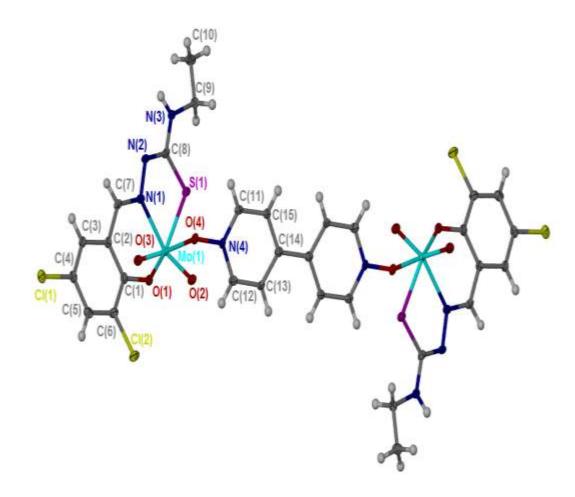


Figure 41: Ellipsoidal plot of C19 with 50% level of probability. The atomic coordinates were given in the Appendix on page 246.

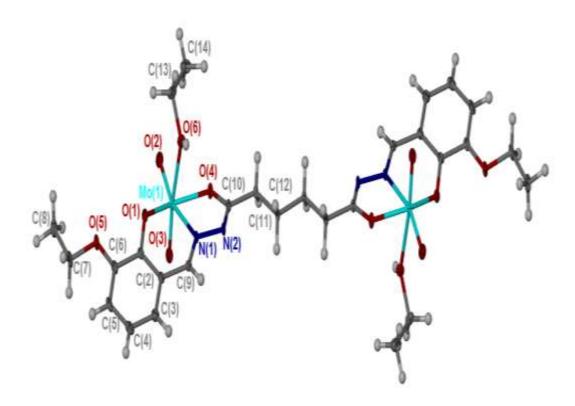


Figure 42: Ellipsoidal plot of C20 with 50% level of probability. The atomic coordinates were given in the Appendix on page 247.

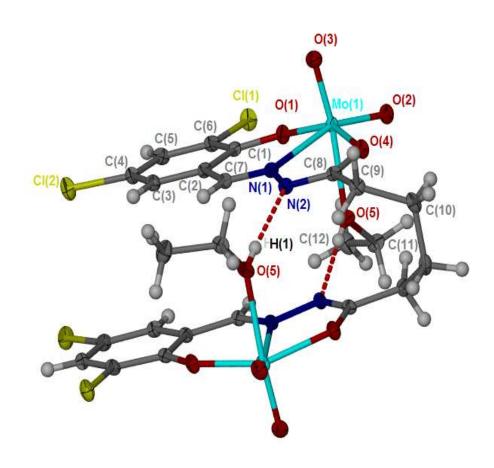


Figure 43: Ellipsoidal plot of C21 with 50% level of probability. The atomic coordination were given in the Appendix on page 248.

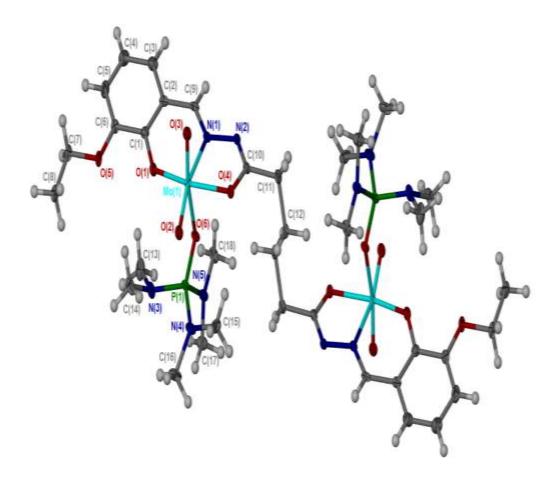


Figure 44: Ellipsoidal plot of C22 with 50% level of probability. The atomic coordinates were given in the Appendix on page 249.

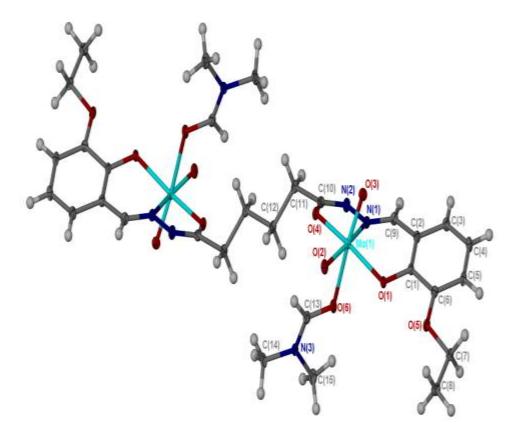


Figure 46: Ellipsoidal plot of C23 with 50% level of probability. The atomic coordinates were given in the Appendix on page 250.

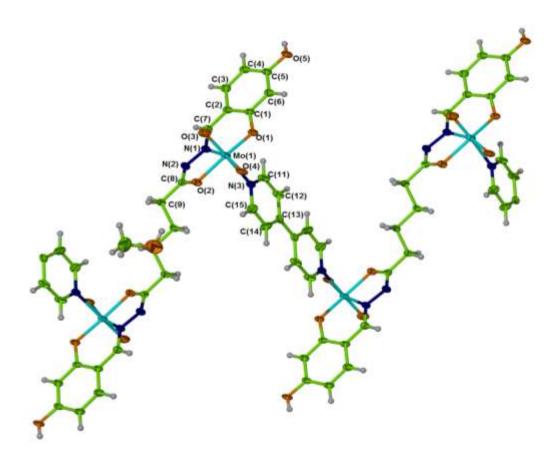


Figure 46: Ellipsoidal plot of C24 with 50% level of probability. The atomic coordinates were given in the Appendix on page 251.