## Abstract

Two new hexadentate ligands, N, N', N'', N'''-tetrakis-(4-pyridylmethyl)-1,4-diaminobutane (4-pytpbn) and N,N''-bis-(2-pyridylmethyl)-N',N'''-bis-(4-pyridylmethyl)-1,4-diaminobutane (2,4-pytpbn) have been synthesized and structurally characterized. Complexes of 4-pytpbn of the 2+2+2+2+--general formula [M(4-pytpbn)X2], where M=Co(1,2,5), Cd(3), Cu(4); X=NO3, Cl, 2+2+2+2+2-2-2-ClO4, and [M2A2(4-pytpbn)], where M=Zn(6), Cd(7) and Ni(8, 9), A=A-adc, fum, succ2-, have been synthesized. All these complexes have been characterized by elemental analysis, FTIR spectroscopy, thermogravimetric analysis and powder X-ray diffractometry. Single crystal X-ray analysis of the ligands and preliminary results of 1 and 2 that establish the presence of expected pores in these are also reported.