

**STRUCTURAL STUDIES OF 2-ACETO-1-NAPHTHOL-N-SALICYL  
HYDRAZONE COMPLEXES OF Cu(II), Co(II), Ni(II),  
Mn(II), Ce(III), AND  $UO_2^{2+}$**

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Complexes of Cu(II), Co(II), Ni(II), Mn(II), Ce(III) and  $UO_2^{2+}$  with 2-aceto-1-naphthol-N-salicyl hydrazone (AN.S.H.) have been prepared and characterized on the basis of analytical, spectrophotometric, infrared and magnetic moment data. Isolation of solid complexes and physical measurements revealed the existence of mono- and bis-ligand complexes in the keto-form. Spectrophotometric studies supported the use of this ligand for the micro-determination of metal ions in solution. The apparent formation constants of complexes are also determined. The electronic spectra of the solid complexes in dimethyl formamide indicate that Cu, Ni, Co and Mn complexes have octahedral structure.

### INTRODUCTION

Interest in the chemistry of hydrazide has generated, in view of their ability to function as antituberculous compounds [1], through their ability to form metal chelates [2]. Metal chelates with hydrazide derivatives were the subject of several investigations. The interest in such studies arose mainly from structural problems [3-6]. It was found that chelation through the azomethine group is stabilized by the presence of an auxochrome group in ortho-position.

In continuation of previous studies on metal chelates with hydrazine derivatives [5-8] the complexes formed by the interaction of 2-aceto-1-naphthol-N-salicyl hydrazone (AN.S.H.) with some metal ions in alcoholic solution are investigated by analysis of the solid complexes, UV, visible and IR-spectra as well as conductance studies in view of throwing some light on their stoichiometry, structure and stability.

### EXPERIMENTAL

The ligand was prepared by condensation of salicylic hydrazide with 2-aceto-1-naphthol in the usual way used for the preparation of hydrazones [21]. The metal complexes were prepared by mixing a weighed amount of the hydrazone in abs. ethanol with an equivalent amount of the hydrated metal chlorides or nitrates in the same solvent. The reaction mixture was refluxed for about ½-2 hr. The separated solid complexes were filtered, washed with abs.

ethanol and dried in a desiccator over silica gel. The complexes were then analysed for their carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen, chloride and metal contents; the results are recorded in Table 4. The complexes isolated are insoluble in water but slightly soluble in organic solvents and dissolve appreciably in dimethyl formamide (DMF). The DMF solutions of complexes are of low conductivity and hence the complexes would be non-ionic in nature.

The electronic absorption spectra were measured with the aid of a Unicam SP 1750 spectrophotometer. The IR spectra of the ligand and its complexes were obtained on a Unicam SP 2000 infrared spectrophotometer as KBr discs. Conductance measurements were made with a PYE conductance bridge. Magnetic susceptibility measurements on the powdered samples were carried out on a Gouy balance.

### RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

*Isolation of Pure Compounds.* The interaction of 2-aceto-1-naphthol-N-salicyl hydrazone (AN.S.H.) with the studied hydrated metal salts gave mono- and bis-ligand complexes. The composition of the isolated pure mono-ligand complexes was  $M(AN.S.H.)Cl.nH_2O$  where  $M = Cu(II)$  and  $Ni(II)$ . The colours of aquo complexes change when heated in an electric oven for one hour at  $120^\circ$  but the original colour is regained immediately on exposure to air. Thus it was difficult in most cases to determine the water content for these complexes. The stoichiometry of the isolated pure bis-ligand complexes was  $M(AN.S.H.)_2$  where  $M = Cu, Co, Ni$  and  $Mn$ .

*Spectrophotometric Studies.* The absorption spectra of

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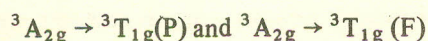


the ligand under investigation is characterized mainly by three absorption bands in the region 250-400 nm. The spectra of the ligand is quite different from those of their mixtures with  $\text{Co}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Ni}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Ce}^{3+}$  and  $\text{UO}_2^{2+}$ . This can be considered as an evidence for complex formation. The first absorption band, can be assigned to intramolecular charge transfer within the whole molecule, acquire an increase in its molar absorptivity and a large red shift of its  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ , on complexation with the metal ions used (Table 1).

Adding to a constant concentration of metal ions in ethanol stepwise small portions of solutions of the ligand in ethanol the absorbance increases steadily up to a constant value. A similar increase in absorbance is obtained by the slow addition of metal ions to a fixed concentration of the ligand in ethanol. The plot of absorbance as a function of the metal ion concentration gave straight lines in the concentration range up to  $1.2 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $5.0 \times 10^{-5}$ ,  $8.0 \times 10^{-5}$ ,  $7.0 \times 10^{-5}$ ,  $1.0 \times 10^{-4}$  and  $5.0 \times 10^{-5}$  for  $\text{Ce}^{3+}$ ,  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Co}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Ni}^{2+}$  and  $\text{UO}_2^{2+}$  respectively. Also the high  $\epsilon$  values ( $3.8 \times 10^3$ ,  $3.0 \times 10^3$ ,  $2.3 \times 10^3$ ,  $3.5 \times 10^{-3}$ ,  $5.0 \times 10^3$  and  $1.8 \times 10^3$  at  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  for  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Co}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Ni}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{UO}_2^{2+}$  and  $\text{Ce}^{3+}$  respectively) suggest the possible application of the method for the determination of small amounts of the metal ion.

The stoichiometry of the complexes formed in solution from reaction of (AN.S.H.) with the metal ions studied was ascertained by applying the conventional spectrophotometric molar ratio and continuous variation method[9,10]. However, in all cases, the blank being a solution of the ligand of the same concentration as in the solution of the complexes. The results revealed the possible formation of 2:1, 1:1 and 1:2 (metal:ligand) complexes in all systems except in Ce(III) system which show only the existence of 2:1 and 1:2 complexes. The conditional stability constants of the complexes, as calculated from the results of molar ratio and continuous variation methods[9,10] are given in Table 2.

The electronic spectra of the solid complexes in DMF indicate that the brown  $\text{Ni}(\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_3\text{N}_2)\text{Cl} \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$  complex shows a strong band at  $21276 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  due to the transition  $^1\text{A}_{1g} \rightarrow ^1\text{B}_{1g}$  as observed for square planar Ni(II) complexes[11]. But the spectra of  $\text{Ni}(\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_3\text{N}_2)_2$  complex show bands at  $26666$  and  $16181 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  due to the transition



expected for octahedral Ni(II) complexes[12]. The magnetic moment value of  $\text{Ni}(\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_3\text{N}_2)_2$  complex is 3.22 BM, indicating the presence of two unpaired electrons, but

$\text{Ni}(\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_3\text{N}_2)\text{Cl} \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$  complex is diamagnetic. The spectra of  $\text{Co}(\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_3\text{N}_2)_2$  complex shows band at  $17699 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  due to the transition  $^4\text{T}_{1g}(\text{F}) \rightarrow ^4\text{T}_{1g}(\text{P})$  expected for octahedral Co(II) complexes[13]. The magnetic moment of the complex was found to be 4.23 BM, which is characteristic of high-spin octahedral Co(II) complex[12]. The spectra of  $\text{Cu}(\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_3\text{N}_2)\text{Cl} \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$  complex has a band at  $16129 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  corresponding to the transition  $^2\text{T}_{2g} \rightarrow ^2\text{E}_g$ . The colour and the position of the above band are in agreement with those generally observed for planar Cu(II) complexes[14]. But  $\text{Cu}(\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_3\text{N}_2)_2$  complex shows a single broad absorption band at  $13605 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  corresponding to the transition  $^2\text{E}_g \rightarrow ^2\text{T}_{2g}$  which is typical of Cu(II) complexes in octahedral environment[15]. The observed magnetic moment value of Cu(II) complexes are 1.78 and 1.69 BM. For 1:1 and 1:2 complexes respectively denoting a single unpaired electron in Cu(II) complexes.

In case of  $\text{Mn}(\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_3\text{N}_2)_2$ , its spectrum exhibits a shoulder at  $24691 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  which may be assigned to the transition  $^6\text{A}_{1g} \rightarrow ^4\text{E}_g(\text{G})$  in octahedral structure[13]. The observed magnetic moment value 5.83 BM, is consistent with the octahedral stereochemistry for Mn(II).

*IR Spectra.* The mode of bonding between the ligand and metal ions can be readily revealed by comparing the IR spectra of the solid complexes with those of the organic ligand. The comparison in Table 3 shows that the C=O and C=N bands at  $1665$  and  $1630 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  in the spectra of AN.S.H. ligand shift to lower frequencies due to coordination with metal ion. This shows that the carbonyl and azomethine groups are contributing as coordination sites in complex formation. Two bands due to  $\delta$ -OH groups are observed in the AN.S.H. spectrum at  $1315$  and  $1280 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  [16,17]. The latter band would correspond to  $\delta$ -OH in hydrazide residue, as gathered from the comparison between the spectra of AN.S.H. and 2-aceto-1-naphthol-N-Benzoyl hydrazone, and is absent in the spectra of complexes. The disappearance of this band is apparently due to the displacement of a hydrogen ion from the OH group through interaction with the metal ions. The band at  $1315 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  is still observed in the spectra of all chelates. The persistence of this band indicates that the OH-group of 2-aceto-1-naphthol part is not involved in chelate formation. The IR spectra of complexes exhibit several bands in the region  $650$ - $200 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . A band near  $650 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  in the complexes is assigned to  $\nu \text{M}-\text{O}$  vibration[18]. Two new bands observed in the spectra of the complexes at  $415$ - $400$  and  $350 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  are suggested to be due to  $\nu \text{M}-\text{N}$  and  $\nu \text{M}-\text{Cl}$  vibration[19-20] respectively.

From the results of all previous physicochemical mea-



Table 1. Characteristic maxima for ligand and metal complexes

Ligand	Complexes					
	Cu <sup>2+</sup>	Co <sup>2+</sup>	Ni <sup>2+</sup>	Mn <sup>2+</sup>	Ce <sup>3+</sup>	UO <sub>2</sub> <sup>2+</sup>
363	420 (br)	416	418 396	420	410	400(sh)
305	315	310	320	317	305	305
293	293	293	293	293	293	293
277	277	277	277	277	277	277

Table 2. Apparent stability constant of metal complexes.

Stoichiometry	Mean value of long K					
	Cu <sup>2+</sup>	Co <sup>2+</sup>	Ni <sup>2+</sup>	Mn <sup>2+</sup>	UO <sub>2</sub> <sup>2+</sup>	Ce <sup>3+</sup>
2:1	4.72	4.13	3.12	3.85	—	—
1:1	8.95	6.78	6.32	6.74	4.62	—
1:2	12.43	10.21	10.13	9.83	7.33	5.64

Table 3. Important IR bands for ligand and metal complexes.

Compound	Frequencies in cm <sup>-1</sup>						
	$\nu$ C=O	$\nu$ C=N	$\delta$ OH	$\delta^*$ OH	$\nu$ M-O	$\nu$ M-N	$\nu$ M-Cl
(C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>16</sub> O <sub>3</sub> N <sub>2</sub> )	1665	1630	1315	1280	—	—	—
Cu L Cl.2H <sub>2</sub> O	1640	1610	1315	—	645	415	350
Ni L Cl.4H <sub>2</sub> O	1645	1610	1310	—	650	408	355
Cu L <sub>2</sub>	1635	1608	1308	—	645	410	—
Ni L <sub>2</sub>	1640	1605	1305	—	640	405	—
Co L <sub>2</sub>	1640	1610	1310	—	635	400	—
Mn L <sub>2</sub>	1640	1610	1315	—	640	405	—

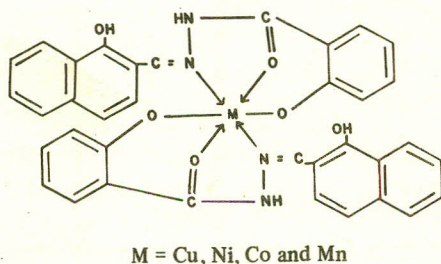
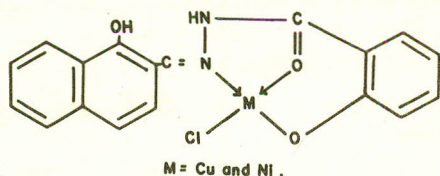
L = C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>15</sub>O<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>; \* In hydrazide residue

Table 4. Elemental analysis results of complexes.

Complex	M.P.	Found (Calc.) %				
		C	H	N	Cl	M
Cu (C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>15</sub> O <sub>3</sub> N <sub>2</sub> )Cl. 2H <sub>2</sub> O	296	50.60 (50.22)	3.12 (3.33)	5.87 (6.17)	7.70 (7.80)	14.30 (13.99)
Ni(C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>15</sub> O <sub>3</sub> N <sub>2</sub> )Cl.4H <sub>2</sub> O	314	47.70 (47.00)	3.21 (3.11)	5.61 (5.77)	7.30 (7.30)	11.50 (12.09)
Cu(C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>15</sub> O <sub>3</sub> N <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	336	65.20 (65.00)	4.30 (4.31)	8.20 (7.98)	—	8.60 (9.05)
Ni(C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>15</sub> O <sub>3</sub> N <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	3.47	65.40 (65.45)	4.51 (4.34)	8.23 (8.03)	—	8.55 (8.42)
Co (C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>15</sub> O <sub>3</sub> N <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	>360	65.60 (65.43)	4.11 (4.33)	7.64 (8.03)	—	8.10 (8.45)
Mn(C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>15</sub> O <sub>3</sub> N <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	>360	65.60 (65.80)	4.23 (4.36)	8.45 (8.08)	—	8.33 (7.92)



measurements the structure of 1:1 and 1:2 complexes may thus be represented as follows:



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