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SYNTHESIS AND CHARACTERIZATION OF ZN(II) AND CD(II)

SALEN COMPLEXES, SALEN L1H2, L2H2 N,N'-BIS

(SALICYLIDENE)-8,11 DIAMINOCTANE AND N,N'-BIS

(SALICYLIDENE)-8,13 DIAMINODECANE

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ABSTRACT

We describe the synthesis and characterization of two salens L1H2, L2H2 ligands and four Zn(II) and Cd(II) complexes of the tetradentate salens ligands N,N'-bis (salicylidene)-8,11 diaminoctane and N,N'-bis (salicylidene)-8,13 diaminodecane. The complexes ML1 and ML2 M=Zn2+, Cd2+ were synthesized by treating an ethanolic solution of the ligand salen with equimolar amounts of metal chloride and two equivalent with potassium hydroxide. The L1H2,L2H2, and the ML1,ML2, M=Zn2+, Cd2+ complexes were characterized by molar conductivity, FTIR ,1H,13C, NMR, UV-Visible. According to obtained data ,the probable coordination geometries of Zinc(II) and Cadmium(II) in these complexes are tetrahedral.

Keywords: Salens, diaminoctane, diaminodecane, Zn(II), Cd(II), UV-visible, ¹H, ¹³C, NMR.

INTRODUCTION

The coordination chemistry of Schiff bases and especially the salen ligand (salenH2) tetradentate and pentadentate is highly developed^{1,2}, most research has involved the skeleton of the aromatic ligand salenH2 and this for different substituent (position, nature, etc...) . On the aromatic ring in order to modulate the stereochemistry and physical-chemical

properties of the ligand and complexes based on the properties of the metal cation.

Most of the series of cations of transition elements form stable complexes with these ligands salènH2. Salens complexes have raised many fundamental studies and applied in several fields of medicine³, chemistry and physics^{4,5}.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

All reagents were purchased commercially and used without finder purification, salicylaldehyde was purchased from FULKA, the zinc chloride (ZnCl2, 2H2O) and cadmium chloride (CdCl2, 1/2H2O) were obtained from Panreac, Ethanol and DMF Sigma Aldrich.

The 1H, 13C NMR spectra were recorded with a

Bruker AVANCE 300. Infrared spectra were recorded on JASCO FTIR660 spectrophotometer in range of 4000-400 cm-1. The UV-Visible spectra were recorded on Shimadzu UV-1800 Spectrophotometer. The conductivity measurements were performed at 25°C in DMSO using Hach HQ430d flexi.

Synthesis of ligands L1H2 and L2H2

The salen ligand N,N'-bis (salicylidene)-8,11 diaminoctane L1H2 and N,N'-bis(salicylidene)-8,13 diaminodecane L2H2 were synthesized by condensation of the salicylaldehyde and appropriate diamines in 2 : 1 molar ratio by refluxing in distilled ethanol. The yellow precipitate was filtered, washed with ethanol.

Preparation of complexes

A mixture of L1H2 or L2H2 (0.5mmol) and (ZnCl2, 2H2O) or (CdCl2, 1/2H2O) (0.5mmol) in absolute ethanol (20ml) and potassium hydroxide KOH (1mmol), the resulting mixture was refluxed for (3-4) hours.

The precipitate obtained was filtered, washed with aqueous ethanol followed by distilled water and dried. Yield: 0.5mmol (60-70)%, MP ZnL8 226°C ,ZnL10 230°C ,CdL8 >260°C,CdL10>260°C.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

The prepared complexes were found to be solids , insoluble in water but they were soluble in some organic solvents like DMF and DMSO. The molar conductance of the complexes measured for 10-4 M solution in DMSO or DMF at room temperature, indicates the non electrolytic nature⁶.

$^1\text{H}, ^{13}\text{C}$ NMR Spectroscopy of salens L1H2 , L2H2 and the salens complexes ML1, ML2 , M=Zn2+, Cd2+

The ${}^{1}H, {}^{13}C$ NMR spectral studies of salens $L_{1}H_{2}$ and $L_{2}H_{2}$ and their salen complexes of Zn(II) and Cd(II) have been recorded in CDCL₃ at room temperature.

¹H NMR spectra of salens L_1H_2 and L_2H_2 , show a broad singlet around 13.73 ppm and 13.75 ppm corresponding to the phenolic proton⁷, and also a singlet at 8.34 ppm characteristic of azomethine hydrogen of CH =N group⁸.

The multiplets corresponding to phenyl protons for salens L_1H_2 and L_2H_2 appear in the range (6.98-7.2) ppm⁸. ¹H NMR spectrum of L_1H_2 is given in the Figure (2).

The presence of a triplet dedoublet at 3.60 ppm for the methylene indicates, the nonequivalent nature of methylene C8 protons N—H₂C (8). The spectra of L₁H₂ and L₂H₂ contain two triplets at δ =(1.73,1.70) ppm and multiplet at

 δ =(1.35,1.41) ppm can be assigned to methylene N—H₂C(9) and N—H₂C(10,11) or N—H₂C(10,12) protons of long methylene chain Table(1).

In ¹HNMR spectra of the complexes we observed an electron density shift from the ligand to the metal. The signals of the azomethine protons appear deshielded at 8.52 and 8.43 ppm in the Zinc complexes as compared to 8.34 ppm in the L_1H_2 and L_2H_2 salens free, in fering coordination though the azomethine nitrogen atom of the salens (L_1H_2 , L_2H_2).

Disappearance of the singlet phenolic OH proton in the spectra of the complexes ML_1 , ML_2 supported the deprotonation of the phenolic group^{9,10}. Figure (3;4).

All ¹HNMR data are summarized in Table (1).

The molecular structure of L_1H_2 and L_2H_2 Figure (1) was further verified by using ¹³CNMR spectroscopy Figure (3;4). A peaks at δ =(26.82-30.82) ppm is contributed by the methylene carbons of long chain, a peak at δ =(58.55-59.50) ppm is attributed to the carbon N—H₂C(8)¹¹.

The peak at δ =(161-116) ppm is assigned to six aromatic carbons. The most downfield peak in the spectrum δ =164.45ppm (L₂H₂),is ascribed to carbon C1 azomethine group.

The ¹H,¹³C NMR spectral of all the complexes showed a downfield shift in the frequency of azomethine C(1)H= N, $-N-H_2C(8) -$, at (172.3-166.12) ppm and (60.05-59.54) ppm for ZnL₂ confirming coordination of the metal ion¹² Table (2).

All ¹³CNMR data are summarized in Table (2).



Fig. 1: Structures of salen ligand L1H2 and numbering of carbons



Fig. 2: ¹H NMR spectrum of salen ligands L1H2 in CDCl3 at 300 MHZ



Fig. 3: ¹³C NMR spectrum of complexes ZnL2 in CDCl3 at 300 MHZ



Fig. 4: ¹³C NMR spectrum of complexes CdL1 in CDCl3 at 300 MHZ

Table 1: ¹ H NMR data of ligands	L1H2 , L2H2 and complexes
ZnL1, ZnL2 , CdL1 , CdL2	in CDCl3 at 300 MHz

Ligands L1H2, L2H2 and complexes	δ ОН	δ CH=N	δ Sal H	δ N(CH2)n
L ₁ H ₂	13.73(2,1H.s)	8.34(1,1H.s)	7.2-6.98(4H,m) 6.85 (4H,m)	3.60(8,2H,tt) 1.73(9,2H,tt)J=6.85,J=6.97 1.35(10,11,4H,ttt)
L_2H_2	13.75(2.1H.s)	8.34(1.1H.s)	7.2-6.9(4H,m)	3.60(8,2H,tt) 1.70(9,2H,tt)J=6.82,J=7.2 1.41(10,12,4H,m)
ZnL ₁		8.52 (1H)	7.28- 6.84 (4H,m)	3.24(8,2H,m) 2.5(9,2H,m) 1.24(10,11,4H,m)
ZnL ₂		8.43 (1H)	7.21-6.56 (4H,m)	3.26(8,2H,m) 2.49(9,2H,m) 1.27(10,12,4H,m)
CdL1		8.57 (1H)	7.33-6.85(4H,m)	3.34(8,2H,m) 2.47(9,2H,m) 1.25(10,11,4H,m)
CdL ₂		8.53 (1H)	7.40-6.85 (4H,m)	3.31(8,2H,m) 2.50(9,2H,m) 1.29(10,12,4H,m)

Table 2: 13C NMR data of ligands L1H2 ,L2H2 and complexesCdL1 ,CdL2 , ZnL2 , in CDCl3 at 300 MHz

Ligands L ₁ H _{2,} L ₂ H ₂ and complexes	The chemical shifts δ (ppm)
L_1H_2	164.48 C1 ; 161.4 C2 ; 132.04 C3 ; 131.08 C4 ; 118.39 C5 ; 118.82 C6 ; 117.04 C7 59.50 C8 ; 30.82 C9 ; 29.24 C10 ; 27.12 C11 .
L ₂ H ₂	164.45 C1 ; 161.43 C2 ; 132.04 C3 ; 131.08 C4 ; 118.82 C5 ; 118.38 C6; 117.05 C7 ;59.54C8; 30.86 C9 ; 29.49 C10 ; 29.33 C11 ; 27.17 C12.
CdL1	166.12 C1 ; 161.39 C2 ; 132.65 C3 ; 132.01 C4 ; 119.01 C5 ; 118.80 C6 ; 116.97 C7 58.58 C8 ; 30.74 C9 ; 26.98 C10 ; 29.09 C11
CdL ₂	166.10 C1 ; 161.42 C2 ; 132.66 C3 ; 132.00 C4 ; 119.00 C5 ; 118.78 C6 ; 116.98 C7 ; 58.55 C8 ; 30.74 C9 ; 29.32 C10 ; 29.07 C11 ; 26.98 C12
ZnL ₁	165.80 C1 ; 161.40 C2 ; 132.18 C3 ; 131.18 C4 ; 118.86 C5 ; 118.92 C6 ; 117.07 C7 ; 59.54 C8 ; 30.80 C9 ; 29.46 C10 ; 29.38 C11 .
ZnL ₂	172.3 C1 ; 170.59 C2 ; 136.43 C3 ; 134.9 C4 ; 118.52 C5 ; 114.29 C6 ; 114.05 C7 ; 60.05 C8 ; 30.22 C9 ; 29.06 C10 ; 28.85C11 ; 26.46 C12

Infrared Spectroscopy of salens L1H2 , L2H2 and the salen complexes

The important infrared frequencies exhibited by the salen ligands L_1H_2 and L_2H_2 and there complexes are given in the Table(3;4).

The infrared spectra of L_1H_2 and L_2H_2 show also a weak band at 3044 cm⁻¹ and 3051 cm⁻¹ assigned to (vCH, ArCH), and two broad bands^{11,20}. figure(5).

The first broad band is centered at around 3430 cm⁻¹ and 3442 cm⁻¹ due to the phenolic hydroxyl group perturbed by intramolecular hydrogen bonding (O–H.....N) respectively in free ligands¹², in the complexes, this band is associated with coordinated water molecules¹³.

However the second broad band between 2655 cm-1 2302 cm-1 and might be designated for internal hydrogen bond for (OH·····N=C), wich disappeared in spectra of their complexes indicating probably the coordination through phenolic oxygen moiety¹⁴.

The spectra of salen ligands free containing the band wich are assigned to the vibrations νCH_2 , δCH_2 and ρCH_2 Table(3).

The infrared spectra of the salens L_1H_2 and L_2H_2 exhibit a strong band at 1634 cm⁻¹ and 1630 cm⁻¹ due to vC=N which has been shifted towards lower region at around (1628-1619) cm⁻¹ in the spectra of complexes indicating the coordination of the azomethine group in the complex formation^{15,16} figure(6) Table(4).

In the spectra figure(6), a medium intensity band at around 1283 cm⁻¹ and 1273 cm⁻¹ due to phenolic hydroxyl deformation vibration is shifted to lower region at (1186,1187) cm⁻¹ respectively due the phenolic υ (C--O) indicating the coordination through the phenolic oxygen atoms Table(4).

The coordination through nitrogen of azomethine and oxygen of phenolic group of salen ligands are further evidenced by the appearance in the complexes of non-ligand band around (583,587) cm⁻¹ and (410,437) cm⁻¹ are due to M—O and M—N bonds respectively^{17,3} Table(4;5) figure(6;7).



Fig. 6: Infrared spectrum spectrum of complexes Cd L1 and Cd L2



Fig. 7: Infrared spectrum spectrum of complexes ZnL1 and ZnL2

Attribution	n=8 L ₁ H ₂	n=10 L ₂ H ₂
Attribution	Wave number (cm ⁻¹)	Wave number (cm ⁻¹)
υOH	3430(w)	3442(w)
uCH(ar)	3044(w)	3051(w)
	3002(w)	3003(w)
υCH(alph)	2916(s)	2911(vs)
vCH(alph)	2845(s)	2839(s)
υC=N	1630(vs)	1634(vs)
υC=C	1575(m)	1577(m)
υC=C	1519(w)	1516(w)
υC=C	1494(m)	1495(m)
δCH2	1453(m)	1456(m)
δCH2	1412(m)	1416(m)
δCH2	1381(m)	1375(m)
δCH2	1346(w)	1347(m)
δОН	1283(s)	1273(s)
δርΟ	1205(m)	1203(m)
δСН	1142(w)	1145(m)
υC-C-C	1103(w)	1102(w)
δC=C-H	1049(m)	1049(w)
υC-C	1022(w)	1027(w)
υC-C	1008(w)	1004(m)
υC-C	979(w)	983(w)
υ C -C	967(w)	965(w)
υC-C	878(w)	876(m)
υC-C	857(m)	855(m)
of H(ar)	782(w)	776(m)
pentary	756(s)	751(s),718(w)
ρСН	651(m)	650(m)
	563(w)	567(w)
υC-C-C	542(w)	555(w)
	477(W),453(W) 424(W),401(W)	463(W) 435(w) $402(w)$
	434(WJ,401(W)	433(WJ,402(W)

Table 3: Infrared data of ligands L1H2 and
L2H2 in the solid state in KBr

A	n=8 CdL ₁	$n=10 CdL_2$
Attribution	Wave number (cm ⁻¹)	Wave number (cm ⁻¹)
υOH(H ₂ O)	3480(w)	3500(w)
υCH(ar)	3013(w)-3040(w)	3010(w)-3046(w)
υCH(alph)	2922(s)	2917(s)
υCH(alph)	2846(s)	2848(s)
υC=N	1628(vs)	1625(vs)
υC=C	1593(s)	1599(s)
υC=C	1538(s)	1543(m)
δCH2	1467(vs)	1469(vs)
δCH2	1443(vs)	1442(vs)
δCH2	1407(s)	1407(s)
δCH2	1381(m)	1383(m)
δCH2	1335(w)	1339(m)
vCO	1186(m)	1189(m)
υC-C-C	1149(m)	1150(m)
υC-C-C	1122(w)	1124(w)
υС-С-С-Н	1023(w)	1037(w)
υ C -C	974(w)	975(w)
υC-C	901(w)	902(w)
υC-C	855(w)	857(w)
ρCH(ar)	791(w) 755(s) 733(w)	756(s) 736(w)
ρСН	650(w)	653(w)
υCd-O	583(m)	587(m)
υCd-N	410(w)	437(w)

Table 4: Infrared data of complexes Cd L1and Cd L2 in the solid state in KBr

Table 5: Infrared data of complexes ZnL1 and ZnL2 in the solid state in KBr

Attribution	n=8 ZnL ₁	$n=10 \ ZnL_2$	
Attribution	Wave number (cm-1)	Wave number (cm-1)	
υOH(H ₂ O)	3400(w)	3405(w)	
υCH(ar)	3009(w)-3046(w)	3021(w)-3044(w)	
υCH(alph)	2927(s)	2922(vs)	
υCH(alph)	2854(s)	2850(s)	
υC=N	1621(vs)	1619(vs)	
υC=C	1536(s)	1536(vs)	
δCH2	1465(s)	1465(s)	
δCH2	1450(s)	1448(s)	
δCH2	1401(s)	1400(s)	
δCH2	1346(s)	1345(s)	
δCH2	1320(s)	1320(s)	
vCO	1186(m)	1187(m)	
υC-C-C	1147(s)	1147(s)	
υC-C-C	1126(m)	1126(m)	
υC-C-C-H	1026(w)	1028(m)	
	977(w)	984(w)	
υC-C	938(w)	932(w)	
	902(W) 850(w)	906(m) 940(m)	
	793(w)	970(147)	
oCH(ar)	751(s)	755(s)	
pontary	738(m)	737(m)	
ρСН	639(w)	652(w)	
υZn-O	600(m)	599(m)	
υZn-N	462(m)	461(m)	

UV-Visible Spectroscopy

The electronic spectra studies of salen complexes of Zn(II), Cd(II) with salens L_1H_2 and L_2H_2 were carried out in DMF solution figure(8;9).

In the electronic spectrum of the salens free are two absorption band assigned to $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$ and $n \rightarrow \pi^*$ transition¹⁸ Table(6).

These transition are found also in the spectra of the complexes, but they are shifted towards high frequencies and new absorption band are observed in the region (398-392) nm, are assigned to charge transfer transition¹⁹.

The Cd(II) and Zn(II) complexes show only the charge transfer transition from the salen to the metal and vice versa, no d—d transition are expected for d¹⁰ complexes.



Fig. 8: UV-Visible spectrum of the ligand L1H2 and complexes ZnL1, CdL1



Fig. 9: UV-Visible spectrum of the ligand L2H2 and complexes ZnL2, CdL2

complexes ZhE1, ZhE2, CuE1, CuE2	
Compound	λ(max)(nm)
L_1H_2	$265(\pi \rightarrow \pi^{*})$; $323(n \rightarrow \pi^{*})$
L_2H_2	$266(\pi \to \pi^{*})$; $321(n \to \pi^{*})$
ZnL ₁	$273(\pi \rightarrow \pi^{*}); 326(n \rightarrow \pi^{*}); 396(d \rightarrow \pi^{*}).$
ZnL ₂	$272(\pi \rightarrow \pi^{*}); 324(n \rightarrow \pi^{*}); 398(d \rightarrow \pi^{*}).$
CdL ₁	$272(\pi \rightarrow \pi^{*}); ; 328(n \rightarrow \pi^{*}); 392(d \rightarrow \pi^{*}).$
CdL ₂	$272(\pi \rightarrow \pi^{*})$; $325(n \rightarrow \pi^{*})$; $392(d \rightarrow \pi^{*})$.

Table 6: UV-Visible data of ligands L1H2 ,L2H2 and complexes ZnL1, ZnL2 ,CdL1 ,CdL2

CONCLUSION

On this paper we present the results of a study of the two salens L_1H_2 , L_2H_2 derived from salicylaldehyde and diaminoctane or diaminodecane and their complexes ML_1 and ML_2 M=Zn(II), Cd(II). The salen ligands and the complexes were characterized by ¹H,¹³C, NMR, UV-visible and infrared spectra $.L_1$, L_2 acts as a tetradentate ligands by coordination via the nitrogen atoms of azomethine groups (CH=N-) and oxygen atoms of phenolic hydroxy groups in an Td symmetry.

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