



Synthesis and Characterization of some Cr^{+3} , Fe^{+3} , Co^{+2} , Ni^{+2} , Cu^{+2} and Zn^{+2} Complexes with N-Phthalyl amino acid ligands

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Abstract

Two new sodium N-phthalyl amino acid ligands (L^1) and (L^2) were prepared by the reaction of phthalic anhydride with glycine or alanine amino acids the sodium salt of the above ligand were prepared by the reaction with sodium hydroxide. The mono and dinuclear complexes of Cr^{+3} , Fe^{+3} , Co^{+2} , Ni^{+2} , Cu^{+2} and Zn^{+2} were prepared by the reaction of the above ligands with the metal chloride in (1:1) or (1:2) metal to ligands ratio. The ligands and their complexes have been characterized by their analytical, spectral data, conductivity and magnetic measurements. Electronic spectra and magnetic measurements indicates that the mononuclear complexes contain tetrahedral environment, while the dinuclear complexes have octahedral geometry.

Keywords: Synthesis, characterization, complexes, n-phthalyl amino acid, ligands.

Introduction

Interactions between transition metal and amino acids are very interesting in the biological applications. Complexes of some metals ions with amino acids can be used as models to study the pharmacodynamic effects of drugs or for increasing the biocompatibility and minimize toxic effects of some metal in Schroeve and Abram U.¹, Grecu I., Sandulescu R. and Neamtu M.² and Grecu I., Neamtu M. and Enescu L.³.

There are many reports in the literature on mixed ligand complex of amino acids. Srivastava and Gupta et.al.⁴⁻⁶ reported the synthesis and characterization of mixed ligand transition metal complexes formed with glycine, alanine, uracil, 2-thiouracil, thymine, adenine, histamine, valine and Lucien. A series of complexes of Cu(II) and Mn(II) with 4-(4'-halobenzene sulfonyl) benzoyl glycine and 4-(4'-halobenzenesulfonyl) – benzoyl – alanine with formula $[\text{M}(\text{L-H})_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]$ have been synthesized and characterized as mononuclear species on the basis of elemental chemical analysis, electronic and infrared spectra and molar conductivity measurements. The IR spectra indicated the presence of amino acid derivatives as coordinated through nitrogen atom and the oxygen from carboxylic group. The experimental data suggest that the ligands act as bidentate and adopt an octahedral stereochemistry⁷. The coordination properties of the novel conjugate towards copper ions were investigated. The performed studies exhibited the unusual binding properties of the ligand molecule having two potential strong coordination sites, namely dipeptide chain and pyridyl nitrogens. On the bases of potentiometric and spectroscopic studies the binding at the low pH values to the aromatic entity is suggested, while the rise of pH yielded the dimeric head to tail complex formation⁸.

The use of a ligand directed strategy in the assembly of discrete cluster, 2D layer and 3D networks, using N-substituted glycine derivatives with o-iodobenzoyl (a bulky substituted) or pyrimidyl, create a new possibility in the design of coordination networks. The synthesis and crystalline structure of the ligand N(pyrimidyl) glycine (1), its silver derivatives $[\text{Ag}(\text{pyr-gly})] 0.5 \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (2) and the silver derivatives of o-iodohippuric acid $[\text{Ag}(\text{I-hip})] 1.25 \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (3) are described by Oliver M.B. et al⁹.

In this paper we proposed to prepare a series of Cr^{+3} , Fe^{+3} , Co^{+2} , Ni^{+2} , Cu^{+2} and Zn^{+2} complexes with sodium phthalated amino acids derived from glycine and alanine.

Material and Methods

Experimental: All chemical were of reagent grade quality and were purchased from commercial sources (BDH and Fluka). They were used without further purification.

Physical characterization: Elemental analysis of isolated complexes (C,H,N) were accomplished by the microanalytical laboratory at Dicle University Science and Technology Center (Du BTAM) Turkey. Metal content analyses were made on Shimadzu AA670 atomic absorption spectrophotometer. Infrared spectra were recorded using the Fourier-Transform Spectrophotometer Tensor 27Co Bruker in the range 4000-200 cm^{-1} with CsI pellets. The electronic spectra were recorded on a Shimadzu UV160 for the 10^{-3} M solution of complex in dimethyl- formamide (DMF) at 25°C. Conductivity measurements were carried out with 10^{-3} M solution of complexes in DMF at ambient temperature using a Jenway 4070 conductivity meter. The magnetic measurements were carried out on the solids by Faraday's method using Bruker BM6 instrument.

Synthesis of ligands: Ligands were prepared using the reaction between Phthalic anhydride with the recommended amino acid. (glycine or alanine)¹⁰.

Properties of sodium salt of (L¹) and (L²): The reaction of equimolar amount of phthalyl glycine (0.21g, 0.001 mol) or phthalyl alanine(0.22g, 0.001 mol) in 20 ml ethanol with NaOH (0.04g, 0.001 mol) in 20 ml ethanol. The mixture was boiled under reflux for 2 h. The product was obtained through evaporation of the solvent, then the precipitate was wash several times with ethanol and diethylether, then dried under vacuum for several hours.

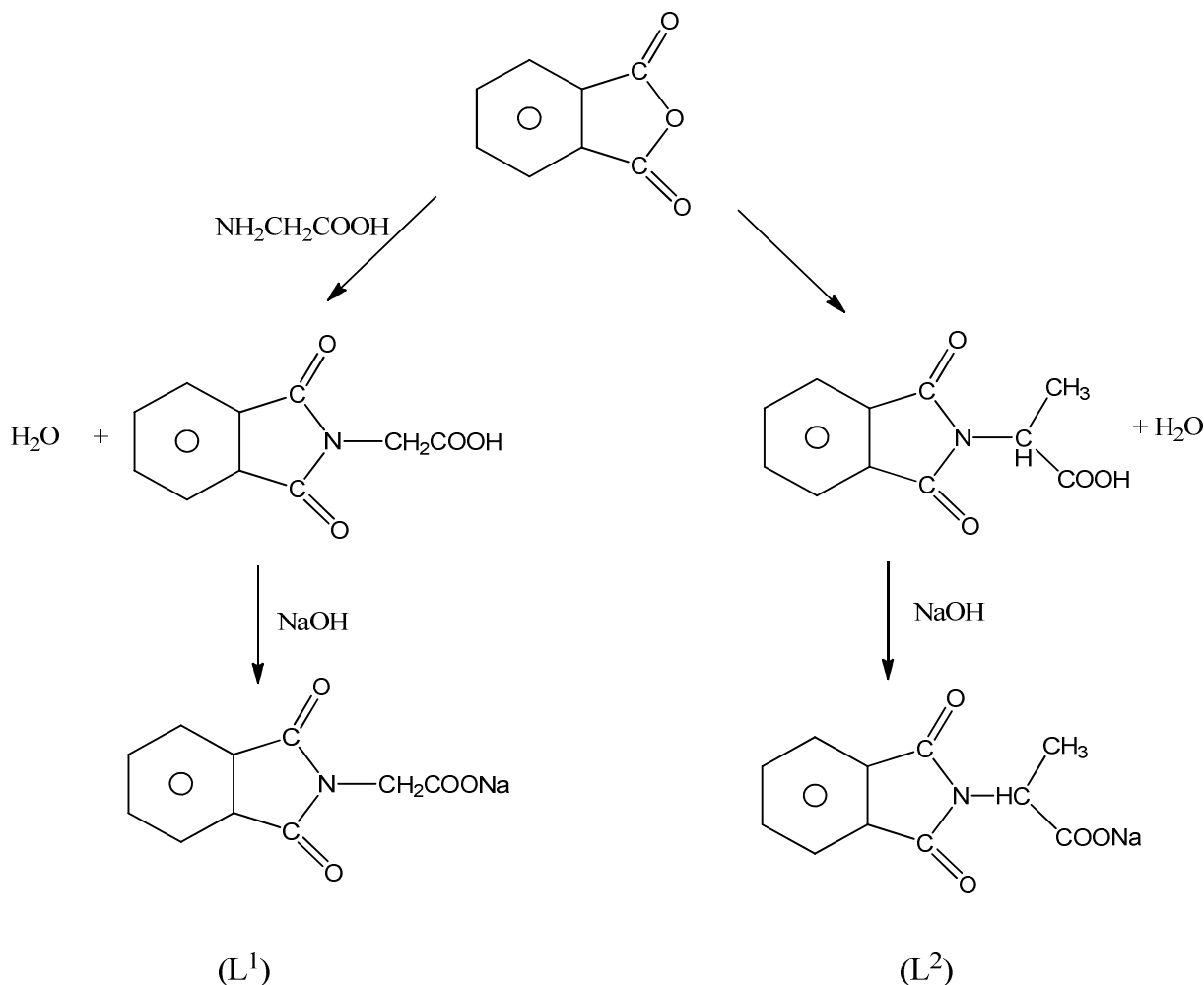
preparation the complexes [M(L)Cl] M=Co⁺²,Ni⁺²,Cu⁺²,Zn⁺²
 : A solution CoCl₂ .6H₂O (0.24g, 0.001 mol) in ethanol 10 ml was added drop wise to a solution of sodium phthalyl glycine (0.23g,0.001 mol) or sodium phthalyl alanine (0.24g, 0.001) in 10 ml methanol. The mixture was refluxed for 2 h, then the solution was allowed to cool to room temperature. The solid thus formed was filtered off, washed with ethanol followed by

diethylether and dried under vacuum for 4h.The other complexes were prepared similarly.

Preparation of complexes [M(L)₂]Cl₂ M=Fe⁺³ and Cr⁺³: A solution of CrCl₃. H₂O (0.27g , 0.001 mol) in ethanol 10 ml was added for a solution of sodium phthalyl glycine (0.46 g, 0.002 mol) of sodium phthalyl alanine (0.48g , 0.002 mol) in 10 ml ethanol, the mixture was refluxed for 3h , the solution was cooled to room temperature .The isolated solid was filtered off, washed several times with ethanol in order to remove the formed NaCl salt, then diethylether and dried under vacuum for several hours.

Results and Discussion

Sodium phthalyl glycine (L¹) and sodium phthalyl alanine (L²) were prepared the by reaction of phthalic anhydride with glycine or alanine (amino acid) heated in a sand bath (scheme 1) and then treated with a sodium hydroxide.



Scheme-1
Preparation of the ligands

The complexes were prepared through direct substitution of chloride by the relevant phthalyl ligands as oxygen donors for the metal ions.

All complexes are thermally stable and insoluble in organic solvent, however fair solubility was attributed in DMSO (dimethyl sulfoxide) and DMF (dimethylformamide). The 10^{-3} M solution for, Co^{+2} , Ni^{+2} , Cu^{+2} and Zn^{+2} complexes display molar conductance equal to $20\text{-}50 \text{ ohm}^{-1}\cdot\text{cm}^2\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ (table 1) indicating neutral nature of the complexes, while the, Cr^{+2} and Fe^{+2} complexes have molar conductance of $130\text{-}172 \text{ ohm}^{-1}\cdot\text{cm}^2\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ indicating a 1:2 electrolytic nature¹¹, this is consistent with stoichiometry for the complexes on the basis of analytical data.

The most important diagnostic feature of IR spectra of the complexes were listed in table 2. The most significant information on the geometry of these complexes were came from the analysis carboxylate and carbonyl absorption region. Stretching frequencies of these functional groups are closely related to the way in which they are coordinated to the metal ions¹². The ligands band due to carboxylate group may be coordinated to the metal ions either in monodentate or in bidentate manner. The FTIR consistent with the formation of well defined compound with the above composition. The carboxylate group is able to coordinate to metal ions in different mode¹³.

When the carboxylate group coordinate to metal ion in monodentate manner, the difference between the wave number of a symmetric and asymmetric stretching band ($\Delta\nu = \nu_{\text{asym}}\text{COO} - \nu_{\text{sym}}\text{COO}$) is larger than observed for ionic compounds, when the ligand chelate is bidentate $\Delta\nu$ considerably smaller than that for acetate group in ionic compounds.

Two bands are observed at $1626\text{-}1587$ and $1414\text{-}1427 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ and the difference in $\Delta\nu\text{COO}$ $141\text{-}194 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ table 2 are indicative of bidentate nature of the carboxylate groups¹⁴. However, the bands observed at $1697\text{-}1722 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ for the complexes may be assigned to the free carbonyl groups, and the other carbonyl groups are shared in coordination Further support for this argument came from IR of the complexes which showed new bands at $530\text{-}577 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ and also a band at $290\text{-}330\text{cm}^{-1}$ which may attributable to $\nu(\text{M-O})$ and $\nu(\text{M-Cl})$ respectively¹⁵. The IR spectra of Ni(II) and Fe(II) complexes are shown in figure 2.

The electronic spectra of the ligands and their complexes are summarized in table 2. The results obtained are in good agreement with other spectra and the literature¹⁶.

The bands observed at 34246 and 33113 cm^{-1} are due to the $n-\pi$ or $\pi-\pi^*$ transitions with in the ligands.

The magnetic moment values of chromium complexes (1,7) are $3.75\text{-}3.89 \text{ B.M}$ suggest the presence of three unpaired electro, which reveal the spin free nature of the complexes corresponding an octahedral geometry¹⁷.

The electronic spectra of Cr(III) complexes show two bands at $17241, 17301$ and 23584 and 23696 cm^{-1} which may be assigned to ${}^3\text{A}_2\text{g}(\text{F}), {}^4\text{T}_2\text{g}(\text{F})(\nu_1)$ and ${}^4\text{A}_2\text{g}(\text{F}) {}^4\text{T}_1\text{g}(\text{F})(\nu_2)$ in octahedral geometry.

The magnetic moments of octahedral high spin iron(III) complexes are normally very close to the spin only value of 5.92B.M ¹⁸.

The electronic spectra of the prepared iron (III) complexes (table 2), the complexes exhibited absorption bands in the region (10224 and 10309) cm^{-1} referred for ${}^5\text{T}_2\text{g} {}^5\text{E}_\text{g}$ transition the absorption position for iron (III) complexes are consistent with be six coordinate octahedral iron (III) complexes.

The magnetic moment values of Co(II) complexes (3 and 9) are $(4.00\text{-}4.53)\text{B.M}$ These values correspond to get tetrahedral configuration, the Co(II) complexes gave more intense bands in the d-d electronic spectra at 14880 and 15974 cm^{-1} which may be assigned to ${}^4\text{A}_2(\text{F}) {}^4\text{T}_2(\text{p})$ transition indicating tetrahedral geometry¹⁹.

The magnetic moment values of Ni(II) complexes are 3.36 and 3.01 B.M at 25°C , suggest the presence of two unpaired electrons, which reveals the spin free nature of the complexes corresponding a tetrahedral stereochemistry. The nickel complexes show a bands at 15060 and 14925 cm^{-1} due to ${}^3\text{T}_1(\text{F}) {}^3\text{T}_1(\text{p})(\nu_3)$ transition indicated for tetrahedral geometry²⁰ and as showing in figure 2.

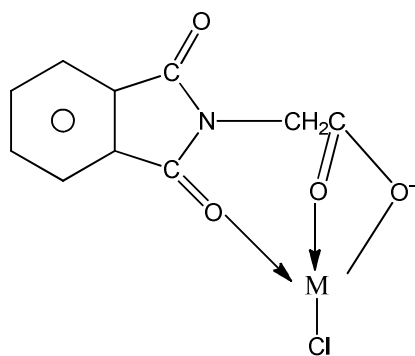
The magnetic moments for copper (II) complexes vary in the range $1.81\text{-}1.89 \text{ B.M}$. This indicates that the complexes are monomeric in nature and in agreement with distorted tetrahedral geometry. The copper (II) complexes show a bands at 14204 and 14044 cm^{-1} which correspond to the transition of the ${}^2\text{T}_2\text{g} {}^2\text{E}_2\text{g}$ consistent with distorted tetrahedral geometry²¹.

The Zn(II) complexes are diamagnetic and do not show any d-d transition bands indicating a tetrahedral geometry.

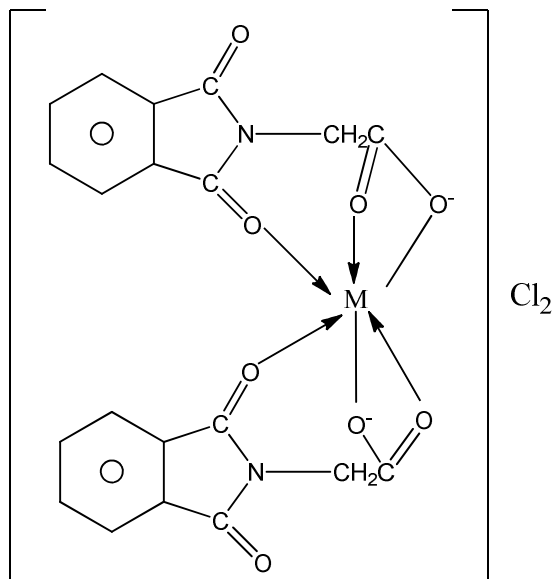
Conclusion

The results of this study indicated that the ligand is coordinated to the metal ions as monobasic tridentate from carboxylate and carbonyl groups in mononuclear and binuclear complexes.

The magnetic moment and electronic spectral a studies suggest a tetrahedral and octahedral environment for the metal complexes at show in figure 1.



Complex(3-6,9-12)



Complexes (1 and 2)

Figure-1
Suggested structures for the complexes

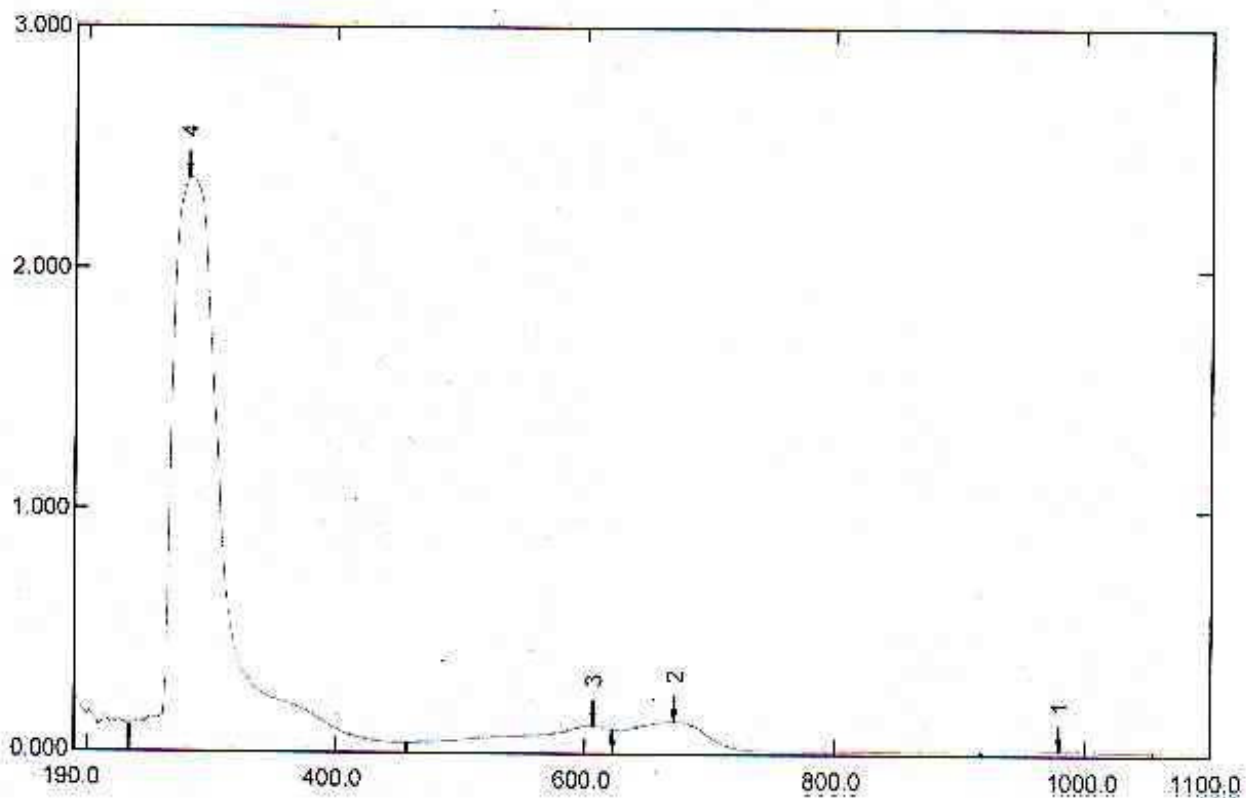
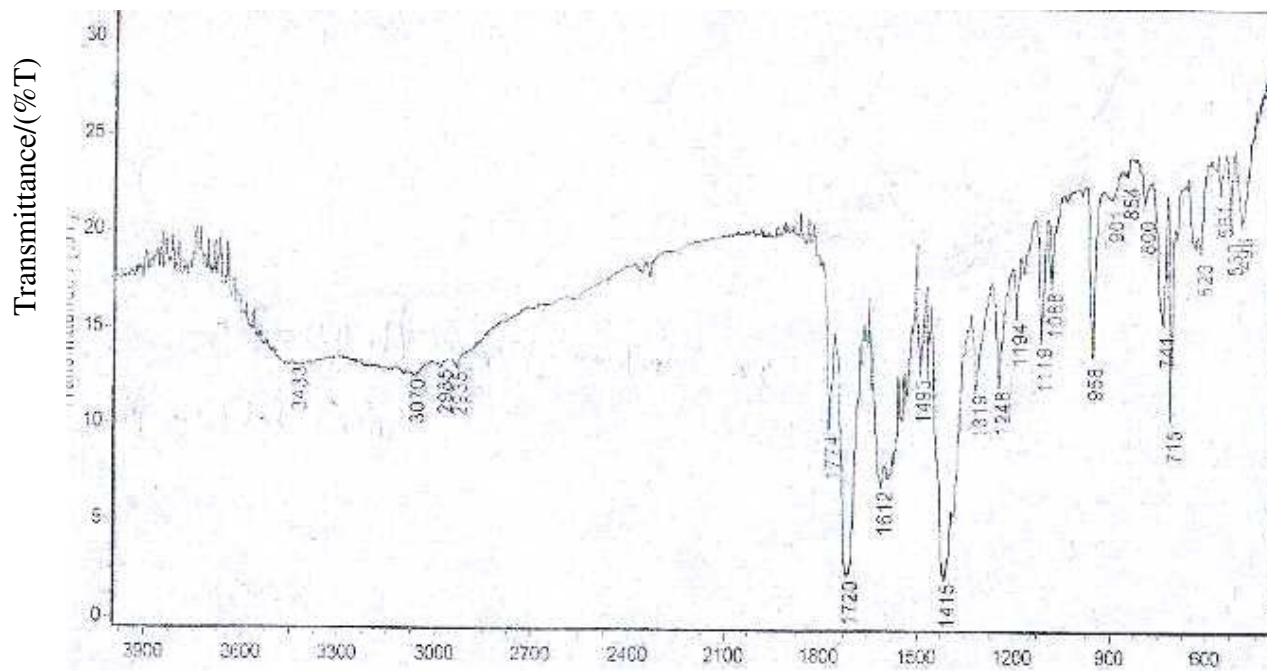
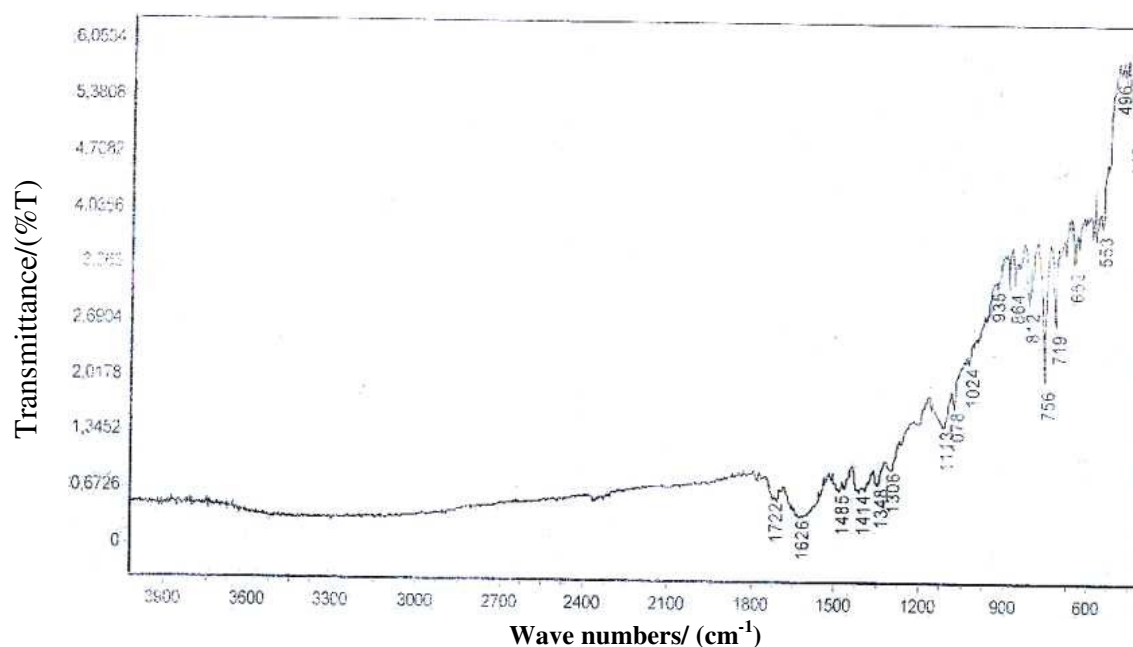


Figure-2
The electronic spectrum of [Ni(L¹)Cl] complex



Wave numbers/ (cm⁻¹)
Figure-3
The IR spectrum of [Fe(L¹)Cl]



Wave numbers/ (cm⁻¹)
Figure-4
The IR spectrum of [Ni(L²)Cl]

Table-1
Physical properties and elemental analysis of the ligands and their complexes

Seq.	compound	Color	m.p (°c)	Yield %	Analysis ,found (calc.) %				(Λ) $\text{cm}^2 \cdot \text{ohm}^{-1} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$	μ_{eff}
					C	H	N	M		
L ¹	C ₁₀ H ₆ O ₄ NNa	Yellowish	193-196	82	52.79(52.86)	2.58(2.64)	6.18(6.16)	----	---	---
1	[Cr(L ¹) ₂]Cl ₂	Olive	250d	75	45.00(45.19)	2.15(2.25)	5.20(5.27)	9.92(9.79)	170	3.75
2	[Fe(L ¹) ₂]Cl ₂	Orange	160d	70	44.82(44.87)	2.29(2.24)	5.21(5.24)	10.03(10.44)	130	5.40
3	[Co(L ¹)Cl]	Pink	260d	72	40.16(40.21)	1.99(2.01)	4.61(4.69)	19.69(19.74)	40	4.00
4	[Ni(L ¹)Cl]	Green	220-222	80	40.15(40.21)	1.98(2.01)	4.59(4.69)	19.58(19.68)	46	3.01
5	[Cu(L ¹)Cl]	Blue	230d	78	40.00(39.60)	1.83(1.98)	4.58(4.62)	20.88(20.95)	30	1.81
6	[Zn(L ¹)Cl]	White	240d	74	39.41(39.35)	1.85(1.96)	4.50(4.59)	21.22(21.45)	45	Dia
L ²	C ₁₁ H ₉ O ₄ NNa	White	149-151	85	56.75(56.89)	4.00(3.88)	6.00(6.63)	---	---	---
7	[Cr(L ²) ₂]Cl ₂	Olive	230d	70	47.00(47.06)	3.19(3.21)	4.72(4.99)	9.25(9.21)	172	3.89
8	[Fe(L ²) ₂]Cl ₂	Orange	190-192	80	46.62(46.74)	3.11(3.18)	4.89(4.95)	9.95(9.89)	155	5.31
9	[Co(L ²)Cl]	Violet	116-118	75	42.30(42.11)	2.81(2.87)	4.45(4.47)	18.71(18.79)	20	4.53
10	[Ni(L ²)Cl]	Green	192 ^d	72	42.10(42.15)	2.89(2.96)	4.41(4.47)	18.71(18.74)	40	3.36
11	[Cu(L ²)Cl]	Blue	150-152	79	41.60(41.51)	2.90(2.83)	4.35(4.40)	19.86(19.96)	50	1.89
12	[Zn(L ²)Cl]	White	181-183	81	41.11(41.26)	2.79(2.81)	4.31(4.37)	20.50(20.44)	40	Dia

d= decomposition temperature.

Table-2
Electronic and infrared spectral bands of the ligands and their complexes

Complex no.	Band maxima (λ_{max}) nm	IR spectral bands (cm ⁻¹)					
		$\nu_{\text{as}}(\text{COO})$	$\nu_{\text{s}}(\text{COO})$	$\Delta\nu(\nu_{\text{as}}-\nu_{\text{s}})$	$\nu(\text{CO})$	$\nu(\text{M-O})$	$\nu(\text{M-Cl})$
L ¹	34246	1593 _s	1473 _m	---	1649 _s	---	---
1	17241,23584	1604 _s	1415 _m	189	1712 _s	530 _w	---
2	10224	1612 _s	1415 _m	197	1720 _s	469 _w	330 _w
3	14880	1597 _s	1425 _m	172	1697 _s	532 _w	310 _w
4	15060	1620 _s	1422 _m	198	1701 _s	532 _w	300 _w
5	14204	1597 _s	1421 _m	176	1716 _s	530 _w	300 _w
6	34013						w
L ²	33112	1599 _s	1480 _m	---	1630 _s	---	---
7	17301,23696	1562 _s	1414 _m	148	1720 _s	530 _w	290 _w
8	10309	1600 _s	1417 _m	183	1722 _s	577 _w	300 _w
9	15974	1593 _s	1420 _m	173	1700 _s	535 _w	310 _w
10	14925	1626 _s	1485 _m	141	1722 _s	553 _w	300 _w
11	14044	1631 _s	1477 _m	154	1697 _s	532 _w	310 _w
12	35211	1626 _s	1483 _m	143	1722 _s	553 _w	290 _w

S= strong, m=medium, w= weak.

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