



## Synthesis and Spectroscopic Studies of Metal Complexes of Schiff Base Derived From 2-acetyl naphtho [2,1-b] furan.

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### ABSTRACT

A bidentate oxygen/ nitrogen containing Schiff base ligand 2-acetyl naphtho [2,1-b] furan hydrazone (ANFH) and their Co(II), Ni(II) and Cu(II) complexes have been synthesized and characterized by molar mass, elemental analyses, spectroscopic (IR and electronic), molar conductivity and magnetic susceptibility measurements at the room temperature. On the basis of above studies it is proposed that ligand is suggested to act in a bidentate manner and coordination proposed through azomethine nitrogen and nitrogen atom of furan ring. The remaining coordination centre are satisfied by negative ions such as Cl<sup>-</sup>, Br<sup>-</sup>, I<sup>-</sup> and NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>. The Co(II), Ni(II) complexes have octahedral geometry whereas Cu(II) complexes were proposed distorted octahedral geometry.

**Keywords :** ANFH/ Schiff base/ Co(II)/ Ni(II)/ Cu(II) complexes.

### INTRODUCTION

The Schiff bases are the most versatile and thoroughly studied ligand in coordination chemistry. Metal complexes of Schiff bases have been reported as tuberculostatic, antitumor, antibacterial and antifungal agents. Transition metal complexes with Schiff base ligands have been prepared in view of their potential application as antibacterial and antifungal drugs. The importance of Schiff base ligands and their complexes with transition metal have enhanced especially due to their biological application. Metal chelates with multidentate Schiff base have been used for the purification of metals due to their high volatility and solvability in non polar solvent<sup>1-2</sup>. The metal complexes with Schiff bases find various industrial

and biological applications. Schiff base metal complexes have scarcely been investigated<sup>3-7</sup>. The interest in the study of hydrazones possessing potential donor sites has been intensively increasing last years because of their ability to form stable chelates with transition metals present in the vivid cell<sup>8,9</sup>. This process inhibits many vital enzymatic reactions catalyzed by the metal ions. It has been also observed that the biocidal activity of the hydrazones increased by complexation to metal ions such as cobalt, nickel and copper. Thus a considerable metal complexes have been reported as antitumor<sup>10-11</sup>, tuberculostatic<sup>12,13</sup>, antifungal<sup>14,15</sup> agents. Thus the aim of present work is to synthesize and characterize Co(II), Ni(II) and Cu(II) complexes with Schiff base 2-acetyl naphtho [2,1-b] furan hydrazone [ANFH].

Table-1: Analytical and physical measurements of ligand ANFH and its Co(II), Ni(II) and Cu(II) complexes

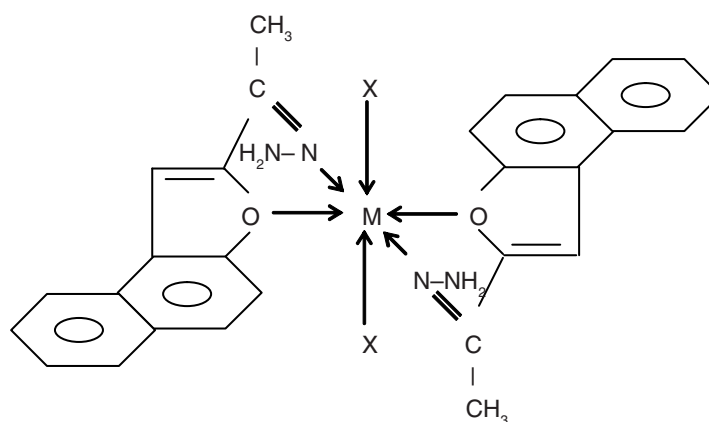
Compounds (Colour)	Molar mass	Yield %	% M	% Analysis found (calculated)	H	N	C	M	$\mu_{\text{eff}}$ B.M.	$\Omega_m$ ohm <sup>-1</sup> cm <sup>2</sup> mol <sup>-1</sup>	DT °C	$\lambda_{\text{max}}$ electronic cm <sup>-1</sup>
ANFH (Colourless)	224	65		74.85 (75.00)	12.39 (12.50)	5.27 (5.35)						
[Co(ANFH) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ] (Brownish red)	577.93	67	10.08 (10.19)	58.01 (58.13)	9.60 (9.68)	4.09 (4.15)			4.89	1.9	231	13000, 17900, 22900
[Co(ANFH) <sub>2</sub> Br <sub>2</sub> ] (Brown)	666.74	66	8.77 (8.83)	50.24 (50.39)	8.30 (8.39)	3.52 (3.59)			4.92	1.7	236	13080, 18300, 22700
[Co(ANFH) <sub>2</sub> ] (Brown)	760.73	69	7.68 (7.74)	44.02 (44.16)	7.28 (7.36)	3.10 (3.15)			4.95	1.3	232	13200, 18100, 23100
[Co(ANFH) <sub>2</sub> (NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ] (Dark brown)	1630.93	70	9.27 (9.34)	53.11 (53.25)	8.79 (8.87)	3.74 (3.80)			4.97	0.9	220	12060, 18000, 23300
[Ni(ANFH) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ] (Green)	577.71	70	10.07 (10.16)	58.02 (58.16)	9.60 (9.69)	4.09 (4.15)			3.17	1.8	190	12100, 17600, 24060
[Ni(ANFH) <sub>2</sub> Br <sub>2</sub> ] (Brownish green)	666.52	70	8.71 (8.80)	50.28 (50.41)	8.32 (8.40)	3.53 (3.60)			3.11	2.1	198	12600, 17100, 24020
[Ni(ANFH) <sub>2</sub> ] (Deep green)	760.52	70	7.67 (7.71)	44.04 (44.18)	7.28 (7.34)	3.49 (3.15)			3.18	2.4	201	12300, 17300, 24000
[Ni(ANFH) <sub>2</sub> (NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ] (Greenish brown)	1630.71	68	9.22 (9.30)	53.14 (53.27)	8.78 (8.87)	3.72 (3.80)			3.16	2.6	216	12400, 17400, 24100
[Cu(ANFH) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ] (Blue)	582.54	65	10.81 (10.90)	57.54 (57.67)	9.52 (9.61)	4.05 (4.11)			1.97	1.1	213	13300, 19200
[Cu(ANFH) <sub>2</sub> Br <sub>2</sub> ] (Blue)	671.35	65	9.39 (9.46)	49.66 (50.01)	8.27 (8.34)	3.49 (3.57)			1.94	1.2	212	13600, 19800
[Cu(ANFH) <sub>2</sub> (NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ] (Deep blue)	1636.54	70	9.90 (9.98)	52.62 (52.76)	8.68 (8.79)	3.70 (3.77)			1.93	1.4	207	13200, 19100

DT = Decomposition Temperature

**Table 2: IR spectral band of the ligand ANFH and its complexes.**

Compounds	$\nu_{\text{C}=\text{N}}$	$\nu_{\text{C}=\text{O}}$	$\nu_{\text{M}-\text{N}}$	$\nu_{\text{M}-\text{X}}$
ANFH	1475, s,b			
[Co(ANFH) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ]	1450 n	540 m	460 m	265 m
[Co(ANFH) <sub>2</sub> Br <sub>2</sub> ]	1450 m	530 m	460 m	270 m
[Co(ANFH) <sub>2</sub> I <sub>2</sub> ]	1455 m	520 m	460 m	275 m
[Co(ANFH) <sub>2</sub> (NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ]	1455 m	510 m	465 m	280 m
[Ni(ANFH) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ]	1450 m	525 m	470 m	305 m
[Ni(ANFH) <sub>2</sub> Br <sub>2</sub> ]	1445 m	535 m	475 m	310 m
[Ni(ANFH) <sub>2</sub> I <sub>2</sub> ]	1445 m	540 m	470 m	325 m
[Cu(ANFH) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ]	1445 m	545 m	460 m	290 m
[Cu(ANFH) <sub>2</sub> Br <sub>2</sub> ]	1445 m	545 m	480 m	295 m
[Cu(ANFH) <sub>2</sub> (NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ]	1450 m	555 m	490 m	300 m

m = medium, s = strong, b = broad

**Fig.1**

M = Co(II) and Ni(II); X = Cl<sup>-</sup>, Br<sup>-</sup>, I<sup>-</sup> and NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>; M = Cu(II), X = Cl<sup>-</sup>, Br<sup>-</sup> and NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>

All the reagents used were of analytical reagent grade [A.R.]. The solvents were used without any purification. The metal contents were determined using standard procedure<sup>16</sup>. The analytical data, colour, magnetic susceptibility, molar conductance, electronic spectra, decomposition temperature are given in Table-1. The magnetic susceptibility were measured by Gouy method using Hg[Co(NCS)<sub>4</sub>] as a calibrant. Electronic spectra of the complexes were recorded in DMF on Cary-2300 spectrophotometer. The IR spectra of the ligand and metal complexes were recorded on Perkin-Elmer model-577 using KBr disc. Molar conductance of the complexes were recorded by Systronics conductivity meter model 303 in DMF.

#### Preparation of ligand (ANFH)

Schiff base (ANFH) was synthesized by the condensation of equimolar ratio of 2-acetyl naphtho [2,1-b] furan and hydrazine hydrate dissolved in ethanol. The resulting mixture was stirred well, refluxed for 4-5 h and then allowed to cool overnight. The coloured solid precipitate of Schiff base obtained was filtered, washed with cold ethanol several times and dried in air at room temperature and finally recrystallized with tetrahydrofuran. Yield 65%; m.p.-207 ± 1°C.

#### Preparation of the complexes

The Co(II), Ni(II) and Cu(II) complexes were prepared by the treatment of ethanolic solution

of 2-acetyl naphtho [2,1-b] furan hydrazine (ANFH) (0.002m) with ethanolic solution of respective metal chloride/ nitrate (0.001 m) and refluxed for 3-4 h. The complexes obtained were washed with water, ethanol and diethyl ether, dried in desiccator and stored in air tight bottles.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The IR spectrum of the ligand exhibits a broad band at  $1475\text{ cm}^{-1}$  assigned to  $\nu_{(\text{C}=\text{N})}$ . This band shifts to lower wave number in complexes by 20-35  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , indicating participation of the azomethine nitrogen in bonding with metal ions. The coordination through azomethine N atom is further supported by the presence of metal-ligand vibration band in the far ir region at  $490\text{-}460\text{ cm}^{-1}$  are assigned<sup>18,19</sup> to  $\nu_{(\text{M}-\text{N})}$ . The next ir spectrum of the ligand exhibit in the range  $1200\text{-}1000\text{ cm}^{-1}$  has shifted towards the lower frequency side in all complexes indicating the involvement of furan oxygen in the complex formation. The linkage with oxygen atom is further confirmed by the presence of a band in far IR region at  $555\text{-}510\text{ cm}^{-1}$  assigned<sup>18,19</sup> to  $\nu_{(\text{M}-\text{O})}$ .

The coordination through metal halogen is indicated by the appearance of a band in region  $325\text{-}265\text{ cm}^{-1}$  assigned<sup>18,19</sup> to  $\nu_{(\text{M}-\text{X})}$  (X=Cl, Br or I). The evidence of metal halogen linkage is further confirmed by the low value of molar conductance in the range  $0.9$  to  $2.6\text{ ohm}^{-1}\text{ cm}^2\text{ mol}^{-1}$ .

The presence of two band at  $1670$  and  $1550\text{ cm}^{-1}$  with a separation of  $120\text{ cm}^{-1}$  suggest mono coordinate linkage of nitrate group with metal ion.

## Electronic spectra and magnetic susceptibility data of the complexes

The electronic spectra of Co(II) complexes show three bands in the region  $12060\text{-}13200$ ,  $17900\text{-}18300$  and  $22700\text{-}23300\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . The above observation frequencies are assignable to  ${}^4\text{T}_{1g}(\text{F}) \rightarrow {}^4\text{T}_{2g}(\text{F})$ ,  ${}^4\text{T}_{2g}(\text{F}) \rightarrow {}^4\text{A}_{2g}(\text{F})$  and  ${}^4\text{T}_{1g}(\text{F}) \rightarrow {}^4\text{T}_{1g}(\text{P})$ , transitions respectively in an octahedral<sup>20</sup> environment. The octahedral geometry for Co(II) complexes are further supported<sup>21,22</sup> by the high value of magnetic susceptibility in the range  $4.89\text{-}4.97\text{ BM}$ . The Ni(II) complexes exhibit three absorption band  $12000$ ,  $17000$  and  $24000\text{ cm}^{-1}$  assignable to  ${}^3\text{A}_{2g}(\text{F}) \rightarrow {}^4\text{T}_{2g}(\text{F})$ ,  ${}^3\text{A}_{2g}(\text{F}) \rightarrow {}^4\text{T}_{1g}(\text{F})$  and  ${}^3\text{A}_{2g}(\text{F}) \rightarrow {}^4\text{T}_{2g}(\text{P})$  transitions respectively in an octahedral<sup>20</sup> environment. The proposed octahedral geometry of Ni(II) complexes supported<sup>21,22</sup> by the magnetic susceptibility value in the range  $3.11\text{-}3.18\text{ BM}$ .

The Cu(II) complexes exhibit two spectral bands in the region  $13200\text{-}13600$  and  $19800\text{-}19100\text{ cm}^{-1}$  assigned to  ${}^2\text{E}_g \rightarrow {}^2\text{T}_{2g}$  and CT bands respectively which proposes octahedral<sup>20</sup> geometry. The magnetic susceptibility<sup>21,22</sup> value for Cu(II) complexes are found in the range  $1.93\text{-}1.97\text{ BM}$ .

## CONCLUSIONS

The synthesized Schiff base, ANFH acts as a neutral bidentate ligand. The metal ions are coordinated through azomethine N and oxygen of furan ring. The remaining coordinated centres are satisfied by negative ion such as Cl<sup>-</sup>, Br<sup>-</sup>, I<sup>-</sup> or NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>. Thus on the basis of above studies the geometry of Co(II) and Ni(II) complexes are proposed to octahedral where as geometry of Cu(II) complexes are distorted octahedral as shown in Fig.1.

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