# Some Metal Complexes of Benzoinlidene aminophenol and Benzoinlidene benzoic acid with Co(II), Ni(II) and Cu(II) Chlorides Anolgous to The Active Site of Carboxypeptidas

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#### الملخص

تم في هذا البحث تحضير عدد من المركبات المعقدة وذلك بتفاعل كلوريدات الكوبلت والنيكل والنحاس مع ليكاندين من نوع قواعد شيف تم الحصول عليها من تفاعل البنزوين مع كل من اورثو المينو حامض البنزويك والامينو فينها أيونية بنسبة 1:1 واقترحنا لها السصيغ يعملان بشكل ثلاثي السن. وقد حصلنا على معقدات أيونية بنسبة 1:1 واقترحنا لها السصيغ العام للاثم السري [MLH<sub>2</sub>X]X (حيث يمثل للاثم الليكاندين العام benzoinlidene m-aminophenol and benziolidene o-aminobenzoic acid في حالة التعادل وفي حالة الأيون السالب ثنائي القاعدة على التوالي) الناتجة عن الوسطين المتعادل والقاعدي على التوالي. لقد اتضح من دراسة التحليل الدقيق للعناصر والأشعة تحت الحمراء والأطياف اللاليكترونية والحساسية المغناطيسية، أن المعقدات المتكونة في الوسطين المتعادل والقاعدي رباعية التناسق حيث يعمل الليكاندان بشكل ثلاثي السن متعادل وثلاثي السن ثنائي القاعدة على التوالي. كما تشغل الجهة التناسقية الرابعة بأيون الكلوريد،

#### **Abstract**

Several complexes of general formula [MH<sub>2</sub>LCl]Cl and K[MLCl] (where M=Co, Ni, Cu; H<sub>2</sub>L and L the neutral and dibasic forms of the Schiff base ligands the benzoinlidene-*m*-aminophenol (BAP) and benzoilidene-*o*-aminobenzoic acid (BAB) were prepared by the reaction of the metal chloride with the ligands in both neutral and basic media, respectively.

The ligands were obtained by the condensation of benzoin with *m*-aminophenol or *o*-aminobenzoic acid. The complexes were studies by means of chemical, physical and spectral methods. These studies were revealed that the ligands act as neutral tridentate and dibasic tridentate in neutral and basic medium respectively. All complexes were found ionic of 1:1 with tetrahedral structure.

#### Introduction

Metal complexes provide the active sites of many enzymes, such as the heme-iron containing group in catalase, peroxidase and cyto chrimeoxidase, vitamin B<sub>12</sub> which contains cobalt in dozen enzymes [1,2] and zinc containing group in carboxypiptidase A [3-6]. In this enzyme the metal is coordinated approximately tetrahedrally to two nitrogen atoms and an oxygen atom from three amino acids in the protein chain [7]. The fourth coordination site is free or is probably a loosely bound water molecule at this position when the enzyme is not engaged in active catalysis.

In continous with to previous work on metal complexes with BAP ligand [8] in which 1:2 metal to ligand ratio was obtained with an octahedral geometry such complexes leak the mobile ligand such as  $Cl^{-1}$  ion or  $H_2O$  molecule which is very important in the reaction of the active

site of the enzyme. So in the present work we choose metal ions other than Zn(II) which are Co(II), Ni(II) and Cu(II) with another ligand BAB in addition to BAP to obtain tridentate ligands of N, O, O, donor atoms which provide three coordination sites, wherease the fourth site is occupied by chloride ion. Spectral and magnetic studies were performed for such complexes.

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The ligands were prepared by condensation of an equimolar quantities of benzoin with *m*-aminophenol [8] and *o*-aminobenzoic acid in ethanolic medium. The mixture was refluxed for about two hours and on cooling the ligands were precipitated then filtered off, washed with cold ethanol and dried.

#### Preparation of the complexes

Two procedures were adopted for preparation of the complexes. In the first one an excess amount of the ligand dissolved in minimum amount of the ethanol was added slowly to an ethanolic solution of the metal salt (always 0.01 mol dissolved in 25 ml of ethanol was used). The mixture was then refluxed for about 3-4 hours and then cooled. The precipitated complexes were filtered off washed with ethanol and dried. In the second method 0.1N potassium hydroxide solution was added to the mixture of the metal salt and the ligand until complete precipitation at pH 8.5-9. The separated complexes were filtered off washed with ethanol and dried.

#### Physical and spectral measurements

The ligands and their complexes were analyzed for carbon hydrogen and nitrogen using 1106 CE microanalyser. Molar conductances were carried out for 10<sup>-3</sup>M solution in dimethylsulfoxide (DMSO) using an electric conductivity measuring device model LF-42. Magnetic susceptibility measurements were performed on Burker BM6 instrument. The infrared absorption spectra were recorded on Perkin-Elmer SP.1100 spectrophotometer using KBr disc techniques in the range (200-4000 cm<sup>-1</sup>). The electronic spectra of the complexes in 10<sup>-3</sup>M DMSO solution were recorded Shimadzu Uv-160 spectrophotometer.

#### **Results and Discussion**

Two types of cobalt (II), nickel (II) and copper (II) complexes were prepared by the reaction of their chloride salts with the Schiff base ligands the benzoinlidene-*m*-aminophenol and the benzoinelidine *o*-aminobenzoic acid in both neutral and alkaline media according to the following equations.

$$MCl_2 + LH_2 \longrightarrow [MLH_2Cl]Cl$$
 ... Type I  $MCl_2 + LH_2 + 2KOH \longrightarrow K[MLCl] + KCl + 2H_2O$  ... Type II

As indicated in the above equations cationic (Type I) and anionic (Type II) species were obtained from neutral and alkaline solutions respectively. The analytical data of the ligands and their complexes (Table 1) are in a good agreement with the given formulae indicating that the all complexes contain 1:1 metal to ligand ratio. The complexes are air stable at room temperature but some of them decompose between 100-199°. Both types of the complexes are soluble in dimethylsulfoxide and their molar conductance in this solvent indicate 1:1 for both types I and II (Table 1).

The coordination sites of the ligand were suggested as a result of the comparison of the infrared absorption spectra of the ligand and its complexes (Table II).

For the complexes formed in neutral medium showed bands due to stretching vibration of OH groups at 3280-3320 cm<sup>-1</sup> indicate coordination through phenolic hydroxide without deprotonation, since these bands located in the free ligands at 3356 and 3362 cm<sup>-1</sup>, which is supported with the blue shift at v(C-O) at 1299-1326 in complexes compared with those in at 1282, 1292 for BAB and BAP free ligands respectively [9]. In addition for the complexes obtained of BAB ligand. the band due to carbonyl group located in the free ligand at about 1680 cm<sup>-1</sup> shifted to lower frequency in complexes by about 30 cm<sup>-1</sup>. As well as the azomethine band showed negative shift which located between 1610-1630 cm<sup>-1</sup> compared with the same band at the ligands at 1635 and 1629 for BAB and BAP respectively. On the other hand for the complexes formed in basic medium, deprotonation was observed for phenolic groups and for carboxylic group, since the ir bands for the former groups disappeared from the spectra of the complexes, while the carboxylate anion COO band appeared at about 1420-1430 cm<sup>-1</sup> [10]. In these complexes similar shift (as above) was observed in the azomethine band, thus, in basic medium the ligands acted as dibasic tridentate. In the ir spectra of both types of complexes two new bands were observed at 350-452 cm<sup>-1</sup> and attributed to v(M-N), v(M-O) and v(M-Cl) stretching vibration, respectively. This represent a further evidence for the coordination of the ligands through both azomethine nitrogen and oxygen atoms [11].

The magnetic susceptibility for the complexes indicating that they are paramagnetic and their magnetic moments (Table 1) were related to tetrahedral structure [12], which confirmed by the electronic spectra of the complexes which gave bands (Table 1) that assigned to tetrahedral

geometry for cobalt (II) complexes since  $\upsilon_1$  and  $\upsilon_2$  bands were not observed for these complexes, while three bands were appeared for nickel complexes indicating the formation of an octahedral nickel (II), complexes, due the coordination of two molecules of dimethylsulfoxide while in solid state gives the value of tetrahedral geometry [13]. On the other hand tetrahedral structure was suggested for copper (II) complexes, since it is the most probable one as indicated from the band positions. [14]

From the above discussion, it was indicated that the ligands form two types of complexes cationic and anionic in neutral and alkaline media respectively, as well as 1:1 metal to ligand ratio was obtained, in addition to that a mobile ligand (Cl<sup>-</sup> ion) is protected which is very important in the reaction of the complexes.

Table 1. Some physical and spectral data of the complexes

			37.2	1.86	3.00 (3.20)	3.00 (2.98)	54.0 (53.8)	27.9	162	Green	K[Cu(BAB)Cl]
14653			40.2	1.90	3.19 (3.21)	3.19 (3.16)	54.7 (54.3)	62.6	120	Petroleum	K[Cu(BAP)CI]
15527			42.2	4.20	3.03 (3.01)	3.03 (3.05)	54.6 (54.8)	52.0	110***	Green	K[Ni(BAB)Cl]
12690			32.0	4.17	3.23 (3.13)	3.23 (3.20)	55.4 (55.6)	42.2	199***	Green	K[Ni(BAP)CI]
13297			33.0	3.95	3.03 (3.05)	3.03 (3.00)	54.6 (54.3)	60.0	142	Blue	K[Co(BAB)Cl]
			34.7	4.08	3.23 (3.21)	3.23 (3.26)	55.3 (55.0)	31.5	175	Brown	K[Co(BAP)CI]
1552			36.2	2.03	3.01 (2.99)	3.44 (3.42)	54.2 (54.0)	25.1	182***	Dark brown	[Cu(BAB)CI]CI
14000			30.9	1.97	3.20 (3.10)	3.66 (3.65)	54.9 (54.7)	30.2	132	Dark brown	[Cu(BAP)CI]CI
22010	13875	10580	38.3	4.09	3.04 (3.02)	3.48 (3.46)	54.8 (54.7)	60.5	150	Gray	[Ni(BAB)CI]Ci
			35.6	4.10	3.24 (3.19)	3.70 (3.66)	55.5 (55.3)	79.1	121	Gray	[Ni(BAP)CI]CI
12360			28.5	.3.94	3.04 (3.01)	3.47 (3.36)	54.7 (54.6)	50.5	161	Chocolate	[Co(BAB)CI]CI
12400			32.5	4.00	3.24 (3.19)	3.70 (3.62)	55.5 (55.6)	44.2	169***	Brown	[Co(BAP)CI]CI
					4.24 (4.16)	4.84 (4.69)	79.3 (76.2)	60.9	102	Pale yellow	BAB**
					4.63 (4.49)	5.29 (5.15)	79.4 (79.2)	72.5	89	Pale yellow	BAP*
<b>y</b>	ს <u>ა</u>	<b>_</b>	cm <sup>2</sup> ohm <sup>-</sup>	<b>8.</b> M	Z	H	С				
ra of m <sup>-1</sup> )	Electronic spectra of the complexes (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	Electr the co	Λ <sub>M</sub> DMSO	Į. Hen	(cal)	Analysis % found (cal)	Anal	%	M.P.	Colour	Compound
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Table (II): Important IR spectral bands (cm<sup>-1</sup>) for BAP and BAB ligands and their complexes of nuetral and alkaline mediums

1420	350	445	421	1620	1300		K[Cu(BAB)CI]
	370	452	420	1610	1299		K[Cu(BAP)Cl]
1430	380	450	430	1610	1310		K[Ni(BAB)Cl]
	370	450	410	1615	1322		K[Ni(BAP)CI]
1425	390	445	430	1620	1315		K[Co(BAB)CI]
	385	452	420	1615	1320		K[Co(BAP)C1]
1655	380	450	425	1610	1300	3295	[Cu(BAB)CI]CI
		435	410	1620	1326	3300	[Cu(BAP)CI]CI
1650	370	450	425	1630	1320	3280	[Ni(BAB)CI]CI
		440	430	1610	1299	3310	[Ni(BAP)CI]CI
1652	360	452	420	1625	1300	3320	[Co(BAB)CI]CI
	350	450	410	1620	1310	3315	[Co(BAP)CI]CI
1680				1635	1282	3362	BAB
				1629	1292	3356	BAP
υ(C=O)	υ(M-Cl)	ს(M-0)	υ(M-N)	υ(C=N)	υ(C-O)	υ(O-H)	Compound

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# [M(BAB)CI]CI

[M(BAP)CI]CI

K[M(BAB)Cl]

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} Ph & Ph \\ N = C - C \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K[M(BAP)CI]$$

Fig. 1. The most probable structure of the complexes