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Synthesis of Some New Sn(II) Schiff base Complexes

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The SnLCl_2 and Sn_2LCl_4 complexes [where L = 1, 5-bis (benzaldehyde) carbohydrazone; 1, 5-bis (acetophenone) carbohydrazone and 1, 5-bis (cinnamaldehyde) carbohydrazone] have been synthesised and characterised by elemental analysis, conductivity and XPS data.

Since the limited number of Sn(II) complexes with aromatic Schiff base ligands are known¹⁻⁶, interest has drawn to study the reaction of SnCl_2 with 1,5-bis (carbohydrazone) of benzaldehyde, acetophenone and cinnamaldehyde.

Carbohydrazide was prepared by the reported method⁷. The Schiff bases 1, 5-bis (carbohydrazones) were prepared by reacting carbohydrazide with acetophenone, cinnamaldehyde or benzaldehyde in 1 : 2 molar ratio respectively.

The SnLCl_2 complexes were prepared when 1, 5-bis (acetophenone) carbohydrazone or 1, 5-bis (benzaldehyde) carbohydrazone or 1, 5-bis (cinnamaldehyde) carbohydrazone (1 mmol) was dissolved in dry methanol, to it was added SnCl_2 (1 mmol). The mixture was then refluxed for 8h. The resulting solid product was filtered, washed with methanol and air-dried.

The Sn_2LCl_4 complexes were prepared by similar procedure, by mixing and refluxing 1, 5-bis (carbohydrazones) of benzaldehyde, acetophenone or cinnamaldehyde and SnCl_2 in 1mmol : 2 mmol ratio respectively.

All these complexes SnLCl_2 and Sn_2LCl_4 are stable with high melting points and are insoluble in organic solvent except DMF and DMSO. Elemental analysis were within $\pm 0.5\%$ for C, H, N and Cl. The molar conductance data below than $60 \text{ ohm}^{-1} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ mol}^{-1}$ in DMF suggest that all are nonelectrolyte⁸. The binding energy data of $\text{Sn}^{2p_{3/2, 1/2}}$ photoelectron peaks for SnCl_2 , SnCl_2L and Sn_2LCl_4 have shown that $\text{Sn}^{2p_{3/2, 1/2}}$ binding energy value is highest in SnCl_2 and lowest in Sn_2LCl_4 (when L is same). One can conclude from these XPS data that 1, 5-bis (carbohydrazones) are coordinated to tin metal ion⁹.

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