

Some Binary Complexes of Cadmium(II) and Manganese(II)

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Interaction of cadmium(II) and manganese(II) with *o*-, *m*- and *p*- amino-benzoic acids has been investigated by paper electrophoresis in aqueous medium at $25 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$ at a fixed ionic strength $\mu = 0.1 \text{ M HClO}_4$. The stability constants of Cd(II) complexes are higher than those of Mn(II) complexes which is in accordance with the Irving-Williams order.

INTRODUCTION

The uses of aminobenzoic acids in biology, medicine and manufacture of azo dyes have been known¹⁻⁴. Binary complexes of aminobenzoic acids have been reported earlier⁵. Continuing the studies further, the interaction of cadmium(II) and manganese(II) with *o*-aminobenzoic acid (*o*-ABA), *m*-aminobenzoic acid (*m*-ABA) and *p*-aminobenzoic acid (*p*-ABA) are being reported. The studies were carried out paper electrophoretically at $25 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$ in aqueous medium at a fixed ionic strength $\mu = 0.1 \text{ M HClO}_4$.

EXPERIMENTAL

All the reagents were of AnalaR grade. Metal perchlorates and ligand solutions were prepared as reported earlier⁵. Metal solutions were standardised⁶ and the concentrations of metal and ligand solutions used were $5.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M}$ and $1.0 \times 10^{-2} \text{ M}$, respectively. Electrophoresis was carried out for $\frac{1}{2}$ hr. at 200 volts with the help of Systronics paper electrophoresis equipment No. 604 (India). The temperature was maintained at $25 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$ with the help of thermostated water circulated through the modified apparatus⁷. Ionic strength was maintained at 0.1 M throughout the studies.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

Stability constants of the complexes were calculated using the pH vs. mobility curve⁷ and pK_a values of the ligands⁸. The values are presented in Table 1. As in

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earlier studies⁵, in both the metal (II) -*o*-ABA, -*m*-ABA and *p*-ABA systems, two plateaus are observed-the first one showing the region of uncomplexed metal ion followed by decrease in mobility, thus giving another plateau and indicating formation of 1 : 1 complex. After the second plateau there is no decrease in mobility confirming the earlier conclusion that no complexation takes place thereafter.

TABLE 1
STABILITY CONSTANTS OF COMPLEXES
Temp. $25 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$, Ionic strength $\mu = 0.1 \text{ M}$ (HClO_4)

| Ligands \ Cations | <i>o</i> -ABA | <i>m</i> -ABA | <i>p</i> -ABA |
|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Cd(II) | 2.19 | 2.39 | 2.27 |
| Mn(II) | 2.01 | 2.21 | 2.10 |

The stability of the bivalent metal complexes follows the sequence $\text{Cd(II)} > \text{Mn(II)}$ which finds support from the work of Irving and Williams⁹.

The higher values of stability constants of *m*-ABA than *p*-ABA and *o*-ABA, and of *p*-ABA than that of *o*-ABA can be explained⁵ on the basis of the ability of deprotonation of the ligands.

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