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# Cu (II) Complexes of 12-membered Tetraazamacrocycles Derived From 1,8-Diamino-3,6-diazaoctane and Different α-Diketones

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**ABSTRACT:** Cu (II) complexes of 12-membered tetraazamacrocycles are derived from 1,8-diamino-3,6-diazaoctane and different  $\alpha$ -diketones such as 2,3-butanedione; 2,3pentanedione and benzil. The complexes have been characterized by elemental analysis, IR spectra, conductance measurements, and magnetic moments.

KEYWORDS: Macrocyclic complexes, Tetraazamacrocycles of Cu (II), IR spectra, Magnetic moments

### I. INTRODUCTION

Mohammed et al<sup>-1</sup> described the biological implication and emphasis of macrocyclic complexes. The chemistry of metal macrocycles is extensive because of their close relationship to molecules of biological significance<sup>2</sup>. The importance of these complexes also is due to the role they play as models for protein metal binding sites in biological systems<sup>3</sup>, electrocatalysts infuel cells<sup>4</sup>,

MRI contrast agents<sup>5</sup>, luminescent sensors<sup>6</sup>, and anticancer activity<sup>7</sup>. These extensive applications have been worth investigating for the design of new macrocyclic ligands<sup>8</sup> for biological and industrial applications.<sup>2,9</sup> Rai and Prasad reported Cr(III), Fe(III) and Co(II) complexes of tetraazamacrocycles derived from 2,3-butanedione or benzil with 1,8-diamino-3,6-diazaoctane<sup>10</sup>. Recently Ni(II) Complexes are also reported<sup>11</sup>. In the present paper the template synthesis of Cu (II) complexes of 12-membered tetraazamacrocycles are derived from 1,8-diamino-3,6-diazaoctane anddifferent  $\alpha$ -diketones such as 2,3-butanedione; 2,3pentanedione and benzilare reported their corresponding formulas and names are [Me<sub>2</sub>[12]dieneN<sub>4</sub>](2,3-dimethyl-1,4,7,10-tetraazacyclododeca-1,3diene);[MeEt[12]dieneN<sub>4</sub>](2-methyl-3-ethyl-1,4,7,10-tetraazacyclododeca-1,3diene).

### **II. EXPERIMENTAL**

### Materials

 $CuCl_2.2H_2O(BDH)$  and  $Cu(NO_3)_2.3H_2O(BDH)$  were of GR/AR grade.1,8-diamino-3,6-diazaoctane(Fluka); 2,3-butanedione (Aldrich) and 2,3-pentanedione (Aldrich) were used as such.Benzil (Sisco, India) was recrystallized from n-butanol.

### Analytical methods and physical measurements

Carbon and hydrogen were determined on a Coleman C, H Analyser-33, which was standardized by benzoic acid. Nickel was determined volumetrically by EDTA using Eriochrome Black T indicator. Nitrogen by Kjeldahl's method and chlorine gravimetrically as AgCl. Infrared spectra were recorded as KBr pellets in the region 4000 to 200 cm<sup>-1</sup> on a NICOLET DXIR spectrophotometer. Magnetic measurements were conducted using a CAHN-2000 magnetic balance, and conductance was measured using a Systemics Direct Reading Conductivity meter 304.



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#### Synthesis

In~20 m of n-butanol, 4.10 mmol of  $Cu(NO_3)_2.3H_2Owas$  dissolved with stirring. To this, a solution of 2,3butanedione (4.10 mmol in ~ 15 ml n-butanol) was added dropwise followed by 4.10 mmol of 1,8-diamino-3,6diazaoctane in ~15 ml n-butanol. After ~ 4hrs of stirring a coloured solid appeared which was filtered, washed with nbutanol and dried in vacuo. In case of reaction with benzil hot n-butanol was used. Other tetraazamacrocyclic complexes were synthesised in a similar way by the reaction of 2,3-butanedione; 2,3-pentanedione or benzil with 1,8diamino-3,6-diazaoctane in the presence of CuCl\_2.2H<sub>2</sub>O orCu(NO\_3)\_2.3H<sub>2</sub>O.

#### **III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

Cu (II) complexes of tetraazamacrocycles (I) have been synthesised by 1:1 cyclocondensation of  $\alpha$ -diketones such as 2,3-butanedione; 2,3pentanedione or benzil with 1,8-diamino-3,6-diazaoctane in presence of CuCl<sub>2</sub>.2H<sub>2</sub>O (Scheme I) or Cu(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>.3H<sub>2</sub>O (Scheme II).





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(Scheme-II)

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### $\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{H}_{3,\mathbf{C}_{6}}\mathbf{H}_{5}$

All the complexes are coloured solids and are stable at room temperature. They are



soluble in Dimethylsulphoxide (DMSO) but insoluble in most common organic solvents such as chloroform, carbon tetrachloride, methanol, acetone etc. The elemental analysis and characteristics of these complexes are given in Table-1.

S.N	Complex	Colour & Decomposition	Yield %	Analysis (%) found (calculated)				
		Temperature ( <sup>0</sup> C)		С	Н	Ν	Cu	Cl
1	[Cu (Me <sub>2</sub> [12] diene N <sub>4</sub> )] (NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	Blue (195)	77	30.66 (31.30)	5.17 (5.21)	14.53 (14.60)	16.27 (16.56)	-
2	[Cu (Me <sub>2</sub> [12] diene N <sub>4</sub> ) Cl <sub>2</sub> ]	Violet (186)	81	35.10 (36.33)	6.17 (6.05)	16.78 (16.94)	19.18 (19.22)	21.35 (21.44)
3	[Cu (MeEt[12] diene N <sub>4</sub> ) Cl <sub>2</sub> ]	Violet (180)	75	37.79 (38.32)	6.22 (6.43)	16.23 (16.24)	18.32 (18.43)	20.48 (20.56)
4	$ \begin{array}{c} [Cu \ (Ph_2 \ [12] \ tetraene \ N_4)] \\ (NO_3)_2 \end{array} $	Blue (173)	77	46.48 (47.29)	4.52 (4.76)	11.00 (11.02)	12.41 (12.52)	-
5	[Cu (Ph <sub>2</sub> [12] diene N <sub>4</sub> ) Cl <sub>2</sub> ]	Blue (169)	69	52.89 (52.81)	5.23 (5.31)	12.21 (12.31)	13.83 (13.96)	15.47 (15.58)

Table –1 Analysis and physical characteristics of tetraazamacrocyclic complexes of Cu (II)

The template condensation for the preparation of macrocyclic ligands often offers selective routes towards products that are not formed without metal ions<sup>12</sup>. The template condensation methods lie at the heart of macrocyclic chemistry<sup>13</sup>. Therefore, if the ligand yield is low, macrocyclic complexes have been widely isolated during the template reactions<sup>14</sup>. The transition metal ions are used as the template reactions<sup>15</sup>. The transition metal ions direct the reaction preferentially towards cyclic rather than oligomeric or polymeric products<sup>16</sup>.

In general, the metal ion radius and size of the macrocyclic cavity are essential in forming macrocyclic complexes. Stable complexes are formed when the metal ion is of such a size that it can adequately fit in the macrocycle cavity. The selectivity of polyether's towards alkali, and alkaline earth metal ions have been studied as a



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function of their ring size<sup>17</sup>. For tetraazamacrocycles, ideal ring sizes of metal ions have been investigated, and the M-N distance for which the strain energy in the macrocycle is minimum has been calculated <sup>18-20</sup>. A larger or smaller metal ion would require a change in M-N distance with an accompanying increase in the strain energy of the ligand, causing distortion. The M-N bond length for transition metal complexes of 12- to 16- membered saturated tetraazamacrocycles ranges from 1.8 - 2.4 Å, many macrocycles of varying ring sizes coordinate readily to transition metal ions to give stable complexes<sup>21</sup>.

During the template synthesis of Fe (II), Co (II), and Ni (II) complexes of MePhTIM, Eggleston, and Jackels<sup>22</sup> have ruled out the possibility of formation of diazepine (II), a heterocyclic product of 1+1 condensation based on <sup>1</sup>H NMR studies. Henery et al.<sup>23</sup>have isolated and characterized a macrocyclic precursor 1,2,8,9-tetraphenyl-diazaduohepta-2,7-diene-1,9-dione(KIM,III)during 2+2 cyclocondensation of benzil and 1,3-diaminopropane in the presence of Co (II).



### **Infrared Spectra**

Important infrared absorption bands of complexes are given in Table-2.

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		IR Absorption Bands(cm <sup>-1</sup> )					Molar Conductance
S.N.	Complex	υ C=N	-NO <sub>3</sub> unidentate	Cu-Cl	υNH	$\mu_{eff}$ B.M.	$(\Omega^{-1} \text{cm}^2 \text{mol}^2)$
							sol.
1	[Cu (Me <sub>2</sub> [12] diene N <sub>4</sub> )] (NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	1560	720,820,1370	-	3250	1.73	59.8
2	$[Cu (Me_2[12] diene N_4) Cl_2]$	1580		270	3200	1.75	11.9
3	[Cu (MeEt[12] diene N <sub>4</sub> ) Cl <sub>2</sub> ]	1580		270	3220	1.70	14.8
4	$\begin{bmatrix} Cu & (Ph_2[12] \text{ tetraene } N_4) \end{bmatrix}$ $(NO_3)_2$	1550	720,800,1380	-	3240	1.78	16.5
5	$[Cu (Ph_2[12] diene N_4) Cl_2]$	1560		270	3220	1.72	13.5

All the macrocyclic complexes do notexhibitband at  $1700 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  which can be assigned to the residual >C=O group. Medium to strong absorption bands are observed in the region 3180-3360 cm<sup>-1</sup>due to v NH. Nelson and co-worker's<sup>24</sup> have not observed any band at 1700 cm<sup>-1</sup> which could be attributed to unreacted keto group and a band at 3240 cm<sup>-1</sup> has been assigned to the secondary amino group. A medium intensity band in the region 1550-1580 cm<sup>-1</sup> is assigned to coordinated v C=N. For Ni(II), Cu(II), Zn(II) and Hg(II) complexes of the macrocycle 5,6,12,13-tetramethyl-1,4,8,11-tetraazacyclotetradeca-4,11-diene, Hay and co-worker's <sup>25</sup> have reported v C=N in the region 1638-1669 cm<sup>-1</sup>.Nitrate complexes exhibit absorption bands at 1370-1380,800-820 and 740 cm<sup>-1</sup> due to free nitrate. For Cd(II) and Hg(II) tetraazamacrocyclic complexes, Alcock et al.<sup>26</sup> have reported free nitrate absorptions at 1380, 829 and 720 cm<sup>-1</sup>.In chloro complexes of Cu(II) band at 270 cm<sup>-1</sup> can be assigned to the coordinated chloro group. For



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Cu(II) complexes of an N<sub>6</sub> macrocycle derived from 2,3-butanedione and 2,6-diaminopyridine Malik and co-worker's <sup>27</sup> have reported Cu-Cl at 275 cm-1.Singh and Rana <sup>28</sup> have observed Cu-Cl at 270 cm-1 in Cu(II) complexes of macrocycle derived from 2,6-diaminopyridine and dibenzylmethane. The macrocyclic complexes derived from benzil exhibit strong band at ~ 1550 cm<sup>-1</sup> due to  $\nu$  C=C of phenyl groups and at ~ 750 cm<sup>-1</sup> due to C-H out of plane bending vibrations of phenyl groups. Coltrain and Jackels<sup>29</sup> have reported  $\nu$  C=C in the region 1569-1590 cm<sup>-1</sup> and C-H out of plane bending vibrations of phenyl at ~710 cm<sup>-1</sup> and ~745 cm<sup>-1</sup> in Cu(II) complexes of 2,9-dimethyl-3,10-diphenyl[14]-1,4,8,11-tetraene.

### Conductance

Molar conductance of  $10^{-3}$  M solutions of the complexes is given in Table-2 . Chloro complexes behave as nonelectrolytes in dimethylsulphoxide ( $\Lambda_m$  ranging from 9.7 to 18.0  $\Omega^{-1}$ cm<sup>2</sup>mol<sup>-1</sup>) supporting hexacoordination of copper in these complexes.<sup>30</sup> Nitrate complexes behave as 2:1 electrolyte in DMSO ( $\Lambda_m = 62.7-69.8 \ \Omega^{-1}$ cm<sup>2</sup>mol<sup>-1</sup>) indicating that copper is tetracoordinated in these complexes.<sup>31</sup> Hexa and tetracoordinated Cu(II) complexes of TIM and hexacoordinated complexes of MePhTIM have been reported.<sup>29</sup> Bhoon and Singh<sup>32</sup> have synthesized six coordinated Cu(II) complexes of a macrocycle derived from benzil and ethylenediamine. Pajunen<sup>33</sup> has reported X-ray structure of six coordinated Cu(II) complex, Diaqo(2,3,9,10-tetramethyl-1,4,8,11-tetraazacyclotetradeca-1,3,8,10-tetraene) Copper(II) nitrate. Hay and co-worker's <sup>25</sup> have reported tetra coordination for Cu(II) complex of macrocycle 5,6,12,13-tetramethyl-1,4,8,11-tetraazacyclotetradeca-4,10-diene.

#### **Magnetic moments**

The effective magnetic moments of Cu(II) macrocyclic complexes are given in the Table-2. The observed  $\mu_{eff}$  values at room temperature (~ 298<sup>o</sup>K) range from 1.79 to 1.84 B.M. as expected for monomeric and noninteracting copper ions with one unpaired electron. For Cu(II) complexes of 28- membered N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>4</sub> macrocycles  $\mu_{eff}$  values in the range 1.84-1.94 B.M. have been reported.<sup>34</sup>For Cu(II) complexes of macrocycle derived from benzil and ethylenediamine  $\mu_{eff}$  values in the range 1.84-1.94 B.M. have been reported.<sup>32</sup> Coltrain and Jackels<sup>29</sup> have been reported magnetic moments in the range 1.80-1.89 B.M.

#### **IV. CONCLUSIONS**

In the present communication, five 12-membered Cu (II) tetraazamacrocyclic complexes have been synthesized by template synthesis.Based on analytical and spectral data, synthesized chloro complexes are hexa-coordinated while nitro complexes are tetra-coordinated as copper has the general tendency to form hexa as well as tetra coordinated complexes.

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