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## Synthesis, Characterization and Biochemical Studies of some mixed ligand Rh(I) Complexes with 4-Amino-3-ethyl-5- mercapto-S-triazine

### Abstract

Some air stable and non electrolytic complexes of Rh(I) ions with 4-amino-3-ethyl-5- mercapto-S-triazine (AEMTH) have been prepared and characterized by various physico-chemical methods, such as micro analytical analysis, magnetic measurement, conductivity measurement, infrared and electronic spectroscopic studies. Oxidation state of metals in these complexes is determined iodometrically. On the basis of normal coordinate analysis, the square planar configuration has been assigned for all Rh(I) complexes. The ligand and its complex are screened for their antifungal activities against *C. albicans* and these may be classified as mixed antifungal agent.

**Keywords:** Triazine, Rhodium(I), Physico-chemical analysis, Antifungal Introduction

Mixed ligand phosphine complexes of Rh(I) are versatile homogenous catalyst for hydrogenation and subject to review<sup>(1)</sup>. Many Rh(I) complexes undergo a variety of reactions and most of which involve either replacement of phosphine ligand or oxidative addition to form Rh(III).  $[\text{RhHCO}(\text{P}\Phi_3)_2]$  and  $[\text{RhCl}(\text{P}\Phi_3)_3]$  are very effective as catalyst for highly selective hydrogenation of complicated organic molecules<sup>[2-3]</sup>, which are of great importance in pharmaceutical industry. The present study describes preparation characterization and structural investigation of some new mixed ligand complexes of Rh(I) using  $[\text{RhCl}(\text{P}\Phi_3)_3]$  as starting material.

### Experimental

Chemicals used were of A.R. grade.  $[\text{RhCl}(\text{P}\Phi_3)_3]$  was prepared by the method described in literature<sup>(4)</sup>. 4-Amino-3-ethyl-5- mercapto-S-triazine was prepared by the method described in literature<sup>(5)</sup>.

All the complexes were prepared by using a general methods.  $[\text{RhCl}(\text{P}\Phi_3)_3]$  and triazine derivatives were dissolved in 20 ml benzene in appropriate molar ratio. The mixture was stirred on magnetic stirrer for about 2-3 hours at 50°C and cooled in refrigerator. The complexes were separated out. It was filtered, washed successively with ice-cold alcohol and ether and dried under vacuum. 10ml pyridine was added into filtrate and mixture was again stirred for about 1 hr and cooled to separate out pyridyl derivative of Rh(I) complex.

Carbon, hydrogen and nitrogen analysis were performed by conventional method and result were reported in table 1.

### Results and Discussion

The complex  $[\text{RhCl}(\text{P}\Phi_3)_3]$  undergoes displacement reaction in benzene solution. Double displacement reaction took place in drastic condition and took more time. The molecular weight of complex, as determined cryoscopically, suggests them to be monomeric. Magnetic moment of complexes shows the diamagnetic nature of all complexes indicating  $d^8$  configuration of Rh(I). When suspensions of complexes were treated with iodine solution in  $\text{CCl}_4$ , the violet colour of iodine was discharged suggesting the presence of Rh(I). However, determination of oxidation state of rhodium in the complexes was found by titration with ceric ammonium sulphate using ferroin as indicator<sup>(6)</sup>. All complexes were treated for two electron charge.

The diamagnetic nature of complexes suggests the metal ion is in the singlet ground state  $[^1A_{1g}]$ . The reflectance spectra of all

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complexes<sup>(7)</sup> show three absorption bands around 13790, 18200 and 23650  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . The band at 13790  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  is broad weak while those at 18200 and 23650  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  are medium intensity bands and tentatively assigned as ( $^1A_{1g}$  -  $^3B_{1g}$  or  $^1A_{1g}$  -  $^3B_{1g}$ ) for band obtained at 18200  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . The band at 23650  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  could not be assigned because the ligand also absorbs in this region.

I.R. spectra of ligands and complexes are given in table 1. The bands obtained at 3260, 3210 and 3110  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in the I.R. spectrum of ligand are assigned as  $\nu\text{NH}$  mode of vibrations<sup>(8-9)</sup>. These bands are either identical or blue shifted on complexation with Rh(I) ion indicates the uncoordination of nitrogen in all present complexes suggest the coordination of Rh(I) ion through sulphur atom of ligand<sup>(10)</sup>. The presence of non ligand new bands at 1635, 1390, 970, 915, 720, 540,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in I.R. spectra of all Rh(I) complexes indicates the involvement of  $\text{P}\Phi_3$  molecules in complexation. The blue shifting of thioamide band [TAB] I, II and III, and sharp red shifting ( $\sim 30$  to  $40 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) of band IV suggests the bonding through thio carbonyl sulphur<sup>(12-13)</sup>. It is further supported

by appearance of new band as  $\nu\text{Rh-S}$  at 300  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .  $\nu\text{Rh-Cl}$  and  $\nu\text{Rh-P}$  are obtained at 350 and 375  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  respectively<sup>(14-15)</sup>. In plane ring deformation and out of ring deformation bands of pyridine<sup>(11)</sup> is observed at 604 and 405  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in  $[\text{Rh}(\text{P}\Phi_3)(\text{Py})(\text{AEMTH})\text{Cl}]$ .

On the basis of normal coordinate analysis of complexes all Rh(I) complexes are tentatively configured as square planar.

## Antifungal activities

Ligand and Rh(I) complexes were screened for 96 hrs against *C.albicans* using cup plate method<sup>(16)</sup> at 1000, 100 & 10 ppm concentration. These results are compared with carbendazim, a typical commercial fungicide. Antifungal activities were given in table 1.  $[\text{Rh}(\text{P}\Phi_3)(\text{Py})(\text{AEMTH})\text{Cl}]$  showed 77% activities at 1000 ppm. Since all Rh(I) complexes showed significant antifungal activities and contain more than one functional group. So, all reported Rh(I) complexes may be classified as mixed antifungal agent.

S.NO.	Compound colour/mp( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )	Elemental Analysis (cal/exp.)				I.R. Band Position			Antifungal Data (%)		
		C	N	H	Rh	$\nu\text{NH}$	$\nu\text{SH}$	Tab IV	10	100	1000
1.	(AEMTH) White(144 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )	41.34 (40.87)	24.11 (24.0)	6.89 (5.96)	-----	3260m 3210m 3110s	2450wb	780m	+	+	+
2.	$[\text{Rh}(\text{AEMTH})(\text{P}\Phi_3)_2\text{Cl}]$ Light yellow(190 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )	47.69 (46.01)	5.56 (4.92)	3.77 (3.58)	10.22 (9.78)		-----	750m	+	++	+
3.	$[\text{Rh}(\text{AEMTH})_2(\text{P}\Phi_3)\text{Cl}]$ Brown(178 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )	45.30 (44.83)	16.26 (15.8)	4.50 (4.15)	14.94 (14.19)	3260ms 3210m 3110s	-----	745m	+	+	++
4.	$[\text{Rh}(\text{AEMTH})(\text{P}\Phi_3)(\text{Py})\text{Cl}]$ Light Brown (160 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )	51.96 (51.23)	11.22 (11.0)	4.49 (4.03)	16.50 (15.16)	3260m 3210m 3110s	-----	745m	+	++	+++

% Transmission: (-)1-25; (+)26-50; (++)51-75; (+++)76-100; (++++)>100

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