

# Biological Activities of Zn(II)- Potassium Propylene Dixanthate Chelate Antagonism Rule

## Abstract

Well known ordinary complexes and chelates formed by xanthates have shown remarkable anti-microbial activities during last few years, but nothing is done in a systematic way.

J. T. Matheickel<sup>1</sup> and et. al. investigated such activities in 3d-metal complexes. B. M. Atkinson<sup>2</sup> and coworkers proved that some metal chelates show remarkable anti-bacterial behaviour against some specific living micro-organism.

**Keywords :** Zn(II)- Potassium Propylene Dixanthate Chelate Antagonism.

## Introduction

E. Guibal and et. al.<sup>3</sup> studied the role of uranium complexes against some bacteria. G. M. Gold<sup>4</sup> investigated the behaviour of some 3d-metal complexes against fungi and yeast. S. Dayal and et. al.<sup>5</sup> explain the effect of long term application of oil refinery waste water on soil health with special reference to microbial characteristics. R. S. Bai<sup>6</sup> studied the behaviour of Cr(III)-chelate against rhizopus migricone. R. Rao<sup>7</sup> and coworker isolated Cd(II)-chelates formed in polluted effluents.

S. Ahmed<sup>8</sup> and et. al. studied antifungal properties of Co(II)-chelates in broad spectrum. G. Yan and T. Viroraghvan<sup>9</sup> found antimicrobial activities in certain 3d-metal complexes against Escherichia coli, klebsiella pneumonia and Aspergillus flavus etc.

Keeping in view, the above facts regarding the survey of literature, anti-fungal and anti-bacterial activities of metal chelates formed by potassium propylene dixanthate with Zn(II) are studied in detailed.

## Experimental

### Materials and Methods

#### Culture Media

Nutrient Broth (Himedia, M002), Nutrient Agar (Himedia, M001), Soyabean Casein Digest Agar (Himedia, M290), Soyabean Choramphenicol Agar (Himedia, M1067), Sobouaud Dextrose Broth (Himedia, M033), Yeast Malt Agar (Himedia, M424) and Yeast Malt Broth (Himedia, M426) were used throughout the study. The composition of media given below.

#### Nutrient Broth (Himedia, M002), Nutrient Agar (Himedia, M001) & Soyabean Casein Digest Agar (Himedia, M290)

Peptic digest of animal tissue	-	5.0 gm.
Beef extract	-	1.5 gm.
Yeast extract	-	1.5 gm.
Sodium chloride	-	5.0 gm.
D/w	-	1 ltr.
Final pH (at 25 <sup>o</sup> C )	-	7.4 + 0.2

13 gram of Nutrient Broth (M002) 40.0 gram of Nutrient Agar (M001) and 40.0 gram of Soyabean Casein Digest Agar (M290) were suspended in 1000 ml. distilled water and sterilized at 15 lbs pressure (121<sup>o</sup>C) for 15 min. by autoclaving.

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**Soyabean Choramphenicol Agar (Himedia, M1067)**

- Casein enzymatic hydrolysate
- Peptic digest of animal tissue - 5.0 gm.
- Dextrose - 40.0gm.
- Chloramphenicol - 0.05 gm.
- Agar - 15 gm.
- D/w - 1 ltr.
- Final pH (at 25°C) - 5.6+ 0.2

**Sabouraud Dextrose Broth (Himedia, M033)**

- Special peptone
- Dextrose
- D/w - 1 ltr.
- Final pH (at 25°C) - 5.6+ 0.2

In both the above cases, 65.0 gram of medium (M 033) was suspended in 1000 ml. distilled water and autoclaved at 15 lbs pressure (121°C) for 15 min.

**Yeast Malt Agar (Himedia, M424) & Yeast Malt Broth (Himedia, M426)**

- Peptic digest of animal tissue
- Yeast extract - 1.5 gm.
- Malt extract - 1.5 gm.
- Dextrose - 5.0 gm.
- Agar - 15 gm
- D/w - 1 ltr.
- Final pH (at 25°C) - 5.6+ 0.2

In the case of Yeast Malt Agar 41.0 gram of medium (M 424) but for Yeast Malt Broth 21.0 gram of medium were suspended in 1000 ml. distilled water and autoclaved at 15 lbs pressure (121°C) for 15 min.

**Micro-Organisms**

From IMTECH Chandigarh and maintained for a long time according to instruction of IMTECH Chandigarh.

- Escherichia coli (MTCC No. 1687)
- Klebsiella pneumonia (MTCC No. 109)
- Staphylococcus aureus (MTCC No. 737)
- Pseudomonas aeruginosa (MTCC No. 1680)
- Aspergillus niger (MTCC No. 1344)
- Aspergillus flavus (MTCC No. 871)
- Candida albicans (MTCC No. 227)

**Compound**

**Zn(II)-Complex of Potassium Propylene Dixanthate (PPDX)**

**Disc - diffusion Method**

This method was used by Vincent and Vincent<sup>10</sup> in 1944. The organism (inoculum) was prepared by transferring a loop full of the corresponding organism from the stock culture into the sterile broth after incubating the organism (at related temperature, incubation period). The organisms were transferred by means of a loop of 5

ml. sterile broths. The microbial cultures were incubated as below.

- Bacterial 37°C for 24 hours
- Fungus 26°C for 24 hours
- Yeast like C. albicans 26°C for 24 hours

20.0 ml. of sterilized base agar was transferred aseptically into sterile petridishes and allowed to set uniformly. Than 0.2 ml. of old broths (fresh 5 ml.) was added uniformly to each petridish. Sterile filter paper disc (whatman 44, dia. 6 mm) thoroughly moistened in the compound samples (different concentrations) were placed on the seeded agar plates.

The inhibitory effect of the compounds was noted against tested organisms after proper incubation period for each micro-organism.

**Estimation of minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC) by tube dilution method.**

Tube dilution method was adopted to estimate MIC of the compounds against the micro-organisms.

**In Vitro Antibacterial Testing**

The test bacteria E. coli, K. pneumonia, S. aureus, P. aeruginosa were maintained on nutrient agar slants (Himedia M001).

Nutrient broth (M002, Himedia) was used to test anti-microbial activity of compound after incubation with a loop full culture from the slants, the broths were incubated at 37°C + 1°C for 24 hours. Fresh 20 ml. medium was seeded with 0.25 ml. of 24 hours broth culture. Compound was dissolved in dimethyl sulphoxide (DMSO) to obtained 200 mg/ml. stock solution. 0.2 ml. solution of the test material was added to 1.8 ml. of the seeded broth and this formed the first dilution 1 ml. of this diluted with a further 1 ml. of seeded broth to get the second dilution and so on till eight such dilutions are obtained. A set of tubes containing only seeded broths was kept as a control and suitable solvent (DMSO).

**Table No. - 1**

**Effect of Zn(II)-PPDX complex on radial growth of different bacteria done by disc - diffusion method.**

Zn (II)-PPDX complex	zone of inhibition (mm)			
	E.coli	Kb. pneumo niae	P. aerugino sa	S. aureus
Concentration (ppm)				
600	8.0	7.6	7.0	8.0
700	8.2	8.0	7.5	8.5
800	8.6	8.1	7.7	8.5
900	9.0	9.0	8.0	9.0
1000	9.1	9.0	8.5	9.5

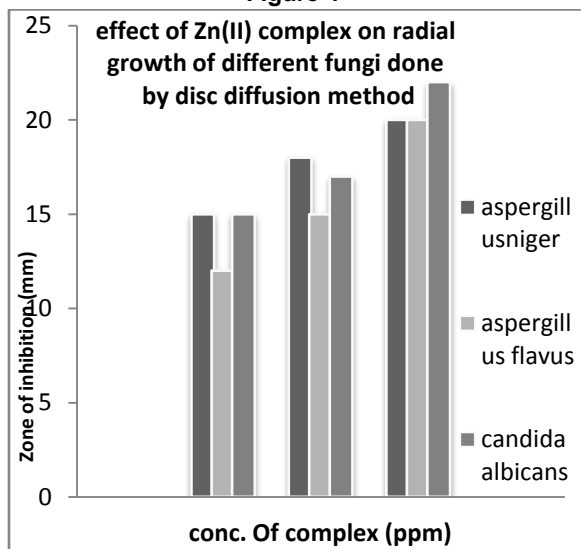
Disc dia = 6 mm.

**Table No. - 2 Effect of Zn(II)-PPDX complex on radial growth of different fungi done by disc diffusion method.**

Zn (II) -PPDX complex	zone of inhibition (mm)		
	Aspergillus - niger	Aspergillus -flavus	Candida - albicans
Concentration (ppm)			
500	15.2	12.0	15.0
800	18.0	15.0	17.0
1000	20.0	20.0	22.0

Disc dia = 6 mm.

**Figure-1**



**Table No. - 3**

**Minimum inhibitory concentration of compounds of Zn(II), complex on growth of some bacteria and fungi by Tube dilution method.**

Organisms	Escherichia coli	Klebsiella pneumoniae	Pseudomonas aeruginosa	Staphylococcus aureus	Aspergillus niger	Aspergillus flavus	Candida albicans
MIC (mg/ml)	20.0	10.0	20.0	20.0	1.25	1.25	1.25

**Results and Discussion**

**Anti-microbial activity of Zn(II)-PPDX Complex**

Zn(II)-PPDX complex was found to be toxic against common pathogenic fungi such as Aspergillus niger, Aspergillus flavus and Candida albicans. Zn(II)-complex at 500 ppm showed effect against fungi such as Aspergillus niger(15.0 mm), Aspergillus flavus(12.0 mm) and Candida albicans(15.0 mm). At

higher concentration (1000 ppm) all fungi showed more inhibition. The growth of pathogenic organism were inhibited differently at different concentrations of Zn(II)-PPDX complex.

It has been observed that the radial growth of Escherichia coli, Klebsiella pneumoniae, Pseudomonas aeruginosa, Staphylococcus aureus were not much inhibited by the Zn(II)-PPDX complex at different concentration. At 600 ppm Zn(II)-PPDX complex showed the zone of inhibition E. coli (8.0 mm), Kb. pneumonia (7.5 mm), P. aeruginosa (7.0 mm) and S. aureus (8.0 mm). But in higher concentration 1000 ppm Zn(II)-PPDX complex was also showed not good effect on different pathogenic bacteria i.e. E. coli, Kb. pneumoniae, P. aeruginosa and S. aureus.

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