Synthesis, Characterization and Antimicrobial Activity of 5-(4-Methyl piperazinyl methylene)-8-hydroxy quinoline and its Various Metal Chelates

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Abstract: 5-Chloromethyl-8-quinolinol was condensed with 4-methyl piperazine in presence of sodium bicarbonate. The resulting 5-(4-methyl piperazinylmethylene)-8-quinolinol (MPQ) was characterized by elemental analysis and spectral studies. The transition metal chelates *viz* Cu^{+2} , Ni^{+2} , Co^{+2} , Mn^{+2} , Zn^{+2} , Cd^{+2} , and Fe^{+3} of MPQ were prepared and characterized by metal-ligand (M:L) ratio, IR and reflectance spectroscopies and magnetic properties. The antifungal activity of MPQ and its metal chelates was screened against various fungi. The results show that all these samples are good antifungal agents.

Key words: 8-Hydroxy quinoline, IR and reflectance spectroscopies, metal chelates, magnetic moment, and antifungal properties.

Introduction

8-Hydroxyquinoline or 8-quinolinol is well known as an analytical reagent.^{1,2} Its various derivatives³ are also useful in pharmaceuticals. Several azo dyes based on 8-quinolinol are also reported for dyeing of textiles as well as their chelating properties.^{4,5} One based on the derivative say through replacement of chloro group of 5-chloromethyl-8-quinolinol (CMQ) can be synthesized easily. Various derivatives based on CMQ have also been reported in literature.⁵ The literature survey reveals that the reaction of CMQ with 4-substituted piperazine derivatives has not been reported so far. Hence it was thought to undertake such study. The present paper deals with synthesis, characterization and chelating properties of 5-(4-methyl piperazinyl methylene)-8-quinolinol (MPQ) as Scheme-1.

Scheme -1

Experimental

5-Chloromethyl-8-quinolinol (CMQ) hydrochloride was prepared according to method reported in literature.⁵ 8-Quinolinol and 4-methyl piperazine were used as pure grade. All other chemicals used were of laboratory grade.

Synthesis of 5-(4-methyl piperazinyl methylene)–8-quinolinol: Formation of MPQ

In a round bottom flask, to a suspension of 5-chloromethyl-8-quinolinol (CMQ) hydrochloride (23 g, 0.1 mole) in tetrahydrofuran (100 ml.), 4-methyl piperazine (10.0 g, 0.1 mole) was added gradually at room temperature. Sodium bicarbonate (16.8 g) was added in the mixture and the mixture was refluxed on water bath for three hours. The resulting solid mass was filtered off, washed with boiling water and then air-dried. It was dark green amorphous powder. It was insoluble in common organic solvent but soluble only in formic acid and DMSO. It did not melt upto 230°C. The elemental analysis of MPQ is given in Table 1.

Table 1. Analysis of MPQ Ligand and Its' Metal Chelates

Ligand/metal chelate	Molecular Formula	Mol. Wt.	% Yield	Elemental analysis						Metal	
				C		H		N			
				Calc.	Found	Calc.	Found	Calc.	Found	calc.	Found
MPQ liquid	$C_{15}H_{19}N_3O$	257	80	70.03	69.8	7.39	7.3	16.34	16.2	-	-
MPQ - Cu^{+2}	$C_{30}H_{36}N_6O_2 \cdot Cu^{+2} \cdot 2H_2O$	611.54	70	58.56	58.4	6.54	6.4	13.73	13.7	10.39	10.3
MPQ - Ni^{+2}	$C_{30}H_{36}N_6O_2 \cdot Ni^{+2} \cdot 2H_2O$	606.69	75	59.33	59.2	6.59	6.2	13.84	13.8	9.97	9.65
MPQ - Co^{+2}	$C_{30}H_{36}N_6O_2 \cdot Co^{+2} \cdot 2H_2O$	606.93	70	59.31	59.3	6.59	6.5	13.84	13.8	9.7	9.7
MPQ - Mn^{+2}	$C_{30}H_{36}N_6O_2 \cdot Mn^{+2} \cdot 2H_2O$	602.98	70	59.7	59.7	6.63	6.5	13.93	13.7	9.11	9
MPQ - Zn^{+2}	$C_{30}H_{36}N_6O_2 \cdot Zn^{+2} \cdot 2H_2O$	613.28	65	58.7	58.7	6.32	6.2	13.69	13.6	10.66	10.6
MPQ - Cd^{+2}	$C_{30}H_{36}N_6O_2 \cdot Cd^{+2} \cdot 2H_2O$	660.54	70	54.5	54.4	6.05	6	12.71	12.6	17.01	17
MPQ - Fe^{+3}	$C_{30}H_{36}N_6O_2 \cdot Fe^{+3} \cdot 3H_2O$	877.84	65	61.51	61.4	7.51	7.5	19.35	19.3	6.36	6.3

Synthesis of metal chelate of MPQ

The metal chelates of MPQ were prepared in two steps. All the metal chelates were prepared in an identical procedure. The details are given in Table 1.

Preparation of MPQ solution

MPQ (15.7 g, 0.1 mole) was taken in 500-ml beaker. Formic acid was added until slurry formation. To this slurry, water was added till the complete dissolution of MPQ. Then it was diluted to 100 ml. This was the stock solution of MPQ.

Formation of MPQ-metal chelates

In a solution of metal acetate (0.01 mole) in acetone: water (50:50 v/v) mixture (40 ml), the 20 ml of above mentioned MPQ stock solution (i.e. containing 0.02 M MPQ) was added with vigorous stirring at room temperature. The appropriate pH (Table 1) was adjusted by addition of sodium acetate for complete precipitation of metal chelate. The precipitates were digested on a boiling water bath. The precipitates of chelate were filtered off, washed by water and air-dried.

The details of all chelates are presented in Table-1.

Measurements

The elemental contents of C, H, N were determined by Thermoanalyser, Italy. The metals were determined volumetrically by Vogel's method.¹ To a 100 mg chelate sample, each 1 ml of analar HCl, H₂SO₄ and HClO₄ were added and then 1 gm of NaClO₄ was added. The mixture was evaporated to dryness and the resulting salt was dissolved in double distilled water and diluted to the mark. From this solution the metal content was determined by titration with standard EDTA solution. Infrared spectra of the MPQ ligand and its metal chelate were recorded on Nicolet 760 FT-IR spectrometers. NMR spectrum of MPQ was recorded on 60 MHz NMR spectrophotometer. Magnetic susceptibility measurement of the synthesized complexes was carried out on Gauy balance at room temperature. The electronic spectra of complexes in solid were recorded on at room temperature. MgO was used as reference. Antifungal activity of all the samples was monitored against various fungi, following the method reported in literature.⁶

Results and Discussion

The synthesis of 5-(4-methyl piperazinyl methylene)-8-quinolinol (MPQ) was performed by a simple nucleophilic substitution reaction of 4-methyl piperazine and 5-chloromethyl-8-quinolinol hydrochloride (CMQ). The resulted MPQ ligand was an amorphous dark green powder. The C, H, N contents of MPQ (Table-1) are consistent with the structure predicted (scheme-1). The IR spectrum of MPQ comprises the important bands due to 8-quinolinol. These bands were observed at 1630, 1575, 1500 and 1470 cm⁻¹.

The broad band due to OH group appeared at 3800-2700 cm⁻¹. In this band the inflections are observed at 2950, 2920 and 2850 cm⁻¹. The first one may arise from -CH₃ group. While the latter two might be attributed to asymmetric and symmetric vibrations of CH₂ of piperazine moiety as well as from CMQ portion. The NMR spectrum of MPQ in DMSO indicates that the singlet at 2.30 δ due to 8H of four CH₂ groups. The Singlet of 4H at 2.6 δ of N-CH₂-Ar group. The singlet of 3H of CH₃ group at 3.2 δ , the Singlet at 2.8 δ is of -OH group. The aromatic protons are appeared in multiplicity at 7.2 δ . The vigorous

oxidation of MPQ yield 8-hydroxy quinoline-5-carboxylic acid m.p: - 230 °C (dec).⁷ Thus the structure of MPQ is confirmed as shown in Scheme-1.

The C, H, N contents of metal chelates of MPQ (Table 1) are also consistent with the predicted structure (Scheme 1). The metal content of each chelate is shown in Table 1. The results show that the metal: ligand (M : L) ratio for all chelate except test is 1:2. The Fe⁺³ chelate was found to be the M : L ratio is 1 :3.

The infrared spectra of all the chelates are identical and suggest the formation of all the metalocyclic compound by the absence of band characteristic of free OH group of parent MPQ. The other bands are almost at their respectable positions as appeared in the spectrum of parent-MPQ ligand. However the band due to M-O band could not be detected as it may appeared below the range of instrument used. The important IR spectral data are shown in Table 2.

Table 2. Spectral Features and Magnetic Moment of MPQ – Metal Chelates.

Metal Chelates	μ^{eff} BM	Electronic spectral Data Cm^{-1}	Transition	IR spectral features common for all Cm^{-1}	
MPQ - Cu ⁺²	2.10	23250 15875	Charge transfer $2B_{1g} \rightarrow 2A_{1g}$	1650 1565 1500 1460	Quinoline moiety
MPQ - Ni ⁺²	3.36	22580 15375	$3A_{1g} \rightarrow 3T_{1g}(\text{P})$ $3A_{1g} \rightarrow 3T_{1g}(\text{F})$	2920 2850	CH ₂
MPQ - Co ⁺²	4.60	22724 15260 8935	$4T_{1g}(\text{F}) \rightarrow 4T_{2g}(\text{F})$ $4T_{1g}(\text{F}) \rightarrow 4T_{2g}$ $4T_{1g}(\text{F}) \rightarrow 4T_{2g}(\text{P})$	2970, 1370 1100 500	CH ₃ C-O-M & O-M bands
MPQ - Mn ⁺²	5.48	23860 18345 16820	$6A_{1g} \rightarrow 4A_{2g} 4E_g$ $6A_{1g} \rightarrow 4T_{2g} (4G)$ $6A_{1g} \rightarrow 4T_{1g} (\text{PG})$	-	-
MPQ - Zn ⁺²	-	Diamagnetic		-	-
MPQ - Cd ⁺²	-	Diamagnetic			
MPQ - Fe ⁺³	-	22839 18895	$6A_1 \rightarrow 4T_2 (4G)$ $6A_1 \rightarrow 4A_1 (4G)$		

Magnetic moments of metal chelates are given in Table-2. The diffuse electronic spectrum of the Cu⁺² chelate shows two broad bands around 13000 and 23000 cm^{-1} . The first band may be due to a ${}^2T_{2g} \rightarrow {}^2E_g$ transition, while the second band may be due to charge transfer. The first band shows structures suggesting a distorted octahedral structure for the Cu⁺² metal chelate.^{8,9}

Table 3. Antifungal Activity of MPQ Ligand and Its Metal Chelates

Sample	Zone of inhibition of fungus at 1000 ppm (%)						
	Penicillium Expansum	Botrydepladia thiobromine	Nigrospara sp.	Trichothessium sp.	Rhizopus Nigricans	Aspergillus niger	Trichoderma Lignorum
MPQ	55	54	53	63	63	67	70
MPQ - Cu ⁺²	83	78	77	83	81	84	85
MPQ - Zn ⁺²	75	64	63	77	83	83	84
MPQ - Ni ⁺²	80	77	75	75	73	81	80
MPQ - Co ⁺²	65	76	75	73	78	79	85
MPQ - Mn ⁺²	79	75	73	75	80	77	83
MPQ - Cd ⁺²	80	85	89	80	85	75	85
MPQ - Fe ⁺³	65	60	70	65	70	65	60

The higher value of the magnetic moment of the Cu^{+2} chelate supports the same. The Co^{+2} metal chelate gives rise to two absorption bands at 23800 and 19040 cm^{-1} , which can be assigned to, ${}^4\text{T}_{1g} \rightarrow {}^2\text{T}_{2g}$, ${}^4\text{T}_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4\text{T}_{1g}$ (P) transitions.^{10,11} These absorption bands and the μ_{eff} value indicate an octahedral configuration of the Co^{+2} metal chelate.^{10,11} The spectrum of Mn^{+2} polymeric chelate comprised two bands at 19010 cm^{-1} (asymm.) and 23300 cm^{-1} . The latter does not have a very long tail. These bands may be assigned to ${}^6\text{A}_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4\text{T}_2(\text{G})$ and ${}^6\text{A}_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4\text{A}_1(\text{G})$ transitions, respectively. The high intensity of the bands suggests that they may have some charge transfer character. The magnetic moment is found to be lower than normal range. In the absence of low temperature measurement of magnetic moment it is difficult to attach any significance to this. As the spectrum of the metal chelate of Ni^{+2} . Show two distinct bands at 11960 – 11450 cm^{-1} and 17700-17400 cm^{-1} . Which are assigned as $3\text{A}_{2g}(\text{F}) \rightarrow 3\text{T}_{1g}(\text{F})$ and $3\text{A}_{2g}(\text{F}) \rightarrow 3\text{T}_{1g}(\text{F})$ transition respectively. Suggests an octahedral environment Ni^{+2} ion. The observed μ_{eff} values in the range 3.01 to 3.2 B.M. are consistent with the above moiety.^{8,12}

The examination of antifungal activity of MPQ ligand and its all chelates (Table-3) reveals that the ligand is moderately toxic against fungi. While all the chelates are more toxic than ligand. Of all the chelates the Cu^{+2} chelate is more toxic against fungi.

The spectrum of Fe^{+3} chelate shows the two bands around 19000 and around 28000 cm^{-1} . The latter has very long tail. This may assign the ${}^6\text{A}_1 \rightarrow {}^4\text{T}_2(4\text{G})$ as ${}^6\text{A}_1 \rightarrow {}^4\text{A}_1(4\text{G})$ transition. The magnetic moment is found to be lower than normal range. Hence it is difficult to predict the geometry of MPQ- Fe^{+3} chelate.

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