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#### ABSTRACT

Metal(II) complexes of the types  $[M(L)_mCl_2(H_2O)_n]$  and  $[Cu(L')SO_4(H_2O)_2]$  [M=Co(II), Ni(II), Cu(II) and Cd(II), L=acetophenone salicyloylhydrazone (ASH) OHC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CO-NHN=C(CH<sub>3</sub>)C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, m=2, n=2; 4-hydroxyacetophenone salicyloylhydrazone (4-HOASH), m=2, n=0; acetophenone isonicotinoylhydrazone (AINH), NC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CONHN=C(CH<sub>3</sub>)-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, m=1, n=2; 4-hydroxyacetophenone isonicotinoyl-

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hydrazone (4-HOAINH), NC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CONHN=C(CH<sub>3</sub>)-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>OH, m = 1, n = 2, and L' = 4-HOAINH and 4-HOASH] were prepared and characterized by elemental and thermal analyses, molar conductance, magnetic susceptibility, infrared, electronic, NMR, ESR and X-ray powder diffraction studies. Some of the complexes were screened against *E. coli* and *Aspergillus niger* to explore their biological activity.

#### **INTRODUCTION**

Salicylic- and isonicotinic acid hydrazides and their hydrazones form a variety of complexes with metal ions.<sup>[1–3]</sup> INH is used as isoniazid for treatment of tuberculosis and its activity is enhanced on chelation with copper(II).<sup>[4]</sup> The salicylhydrazine is reported to have biological activity. Acetophenone salicyloylhydrazone (ASH), 4-hydroxyacetophenone salicyloylhydrazone (ASH), acetophenone isonicotinoylhydrazone (AINH) and 4-hydroxy acetophenone isonicotinoylhydrazone (4-HOAINH) (Fig. 1) possess a number of potential bonding sites which may form complexes with interesting structural and biological properties. In this paper we report the synthesis, characterization and biological activity of hitherto uninvestigated 3d- bivalent metal complexes of the title hydrazones.

#### EXPERIMENTAL

#### Materials and Methods

The chemicals used were of analytical, reagent or equivalent grade. Acetophenone and 4-hydroxyacetophenone were obtained from Central



Figure 1. Structures of the ligands.



 $[M(ASH)_2Cl_2(H_2O)_2] [M(II) = Co, Ni, Cu, and Cd]$ 



[Cu(4-HOASH)SO<sub>4</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>]



(continued)



 $[M(4-HOAINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$ [M(II) = Co, Ni, Cu and Cd]



 $[M(AINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$ [M(II) = Co, Ni, Cu and Cd]



[Cu(4-HOAINH)SO<sub>4</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>]

Figure 2. Continued.

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Drug House, New Delhi, and were used without further purification. Acetophenone and 4-hydroxyacetophenone salicyloylhydrazones were prepared by refluxing salicyloylhydrazine (10 mmol, 1.52 g) in ethanol (30 mL) with acetophenone (10 mmol, 1.20 mL) or 4-hydroxyacetophenone (10 mmol, 1.36 g, 20 mL) in ethanol (50 mL) for 7 h, respectively. Acetophenone and 4-hydroxyacetophenone isonicotinoylhydrazones were prepared by refluxing isonicotinoylhydrazine (10 mmol, 1.36 g) and acetophenone (10 mmol, 1.20 g, 20 mL) in ethanol (30 mL) or 4hydroxyacetophenone (10 mmol, 1.36 g, 20 mL) in ethanol (30 mL) or 4hydroxyacetophenone (10 mmol, 1.36 g, 20 mL) in ethanol (50 mL) for 7–8 h, respectively. The compounds which precipitated during the reaction were filtered and washed with ethanol. They were recrystallized from hot ethanol. The hydrazones were characterized by elemental analyses, hydrazine determination, infrared and NMR spectra.

#### Synthesis of Complexes

The AINH and ASH complexes were synthesized by adding an aqueous ethanol (50:50, v/v) solution (25 mL) of the metal chloride (5 mmol) to a hot ethanol (50 mL) solution of AINH (10 mmol, 2.39 g) or ASH (10 mmol, 2.54 g), respectively. The reaction solution was heated on a water bath for ~1 h. The compounds which precipitated during heating were filtered and washed several times with distilled water, ethanol and finally with ether before drying over anhydrous calcium chloride in a desiccator.

The complexes of 4-HOASH and 4-HOAINH were prepared by mixing an aqueous ethanol (50:50, v/v) solution (25 mL) of the metal chloride/sulfate (10 mmol) and 4-HOASH (10 mmol, 2.70 g) or 4-HOAINH (10 mmol, 2.56 g) in the same solvent (25 mL). The reaction solution was refluxed for  $\sim 8$  h with shaking at regular intervals. The compounds which precipitated during heating were filtered and washed several times with distilled water to remove the unreacted metal salts, if any, then with ethanol and finally with ether before drying over anhydrous calcium chloride in a desiccator.

#### **Analyses and Physical Measurements**

The complexes were analysed for metal content using literature procedures<sup>[5]</sup> after decomposing them with aqua regia followed by sulfuric acid. Sulfate and chloride were determined gravimetrically as BaSO<sub>4</sub> or AgCl, respectively. Hydrazine was determined volumetrically by

titrating with KBrO<sub>3</sub> after hydrolysing the complexes in ~6N HCl using methyl orange as an indicator.<sup>[6]</sup> Carbon, hydrogen and nitrogen were determined microanalytically on a Perkin Elmer 240 DC elemental analyser. The water content in the complexes was determined by heating a known amount of sample to a constant weight at 100, 130, 150 and 180 °C.

Molar conductances in DMSO solution  $(10^{-3} \text{ M})$  were measured at room temperature on a Systronics 304 conductivity meter. Room temperature magnetic susceptibilities were determined on a Cahn Faraday balance using CoHg(SCN)<sub>4</sub> as standard and were corrected for diamagnetism.<sup>[7]</sup> Electronic spectra of the ligands and complexes were recorded on a Cary 2390 spectrophotometer in Nujol mulls. IR spectra were recorded on a JASCO 5300 spectrophotometer KBr or Nujol mulls. ESR spectra of the complexes were recorded on a Varian X band E4 spectrometer. NMR spectra were recorded on a JEOL FX 90Q spectrometer in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> using TMS as an internal reference. XRD data were collected on a Seifert ID-300 diffractometer using CuK<sup> $\alpha$ </sup> radiation.

#### **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

Reactions of AINH and 4-HOAINH with metal(II) salts yielded complexes possessing a 1:1 metal-ligand ratio. ASH and 4-HOASH reacted with metal(II) chloride and formed the complexes having only a 1:2 metalligand stoichiometry. The complexes are insoluble in common organic solvents such as ethanol, methanol, benzene, acetone, nitrobenzene, dichloromethane and chloroform. However, they are slightly to fairly soluble in DMF and DMSO.

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{MCl}_2 \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O} + 2\text{AINH} \xrightarrow[\text{heat}]{\text{heat}} [\text{M}(\text{AINH})\text{Cl}_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2] \\ & + \text{AINH} + (n-2)\text{H}_2\text{O} \\ \\ \text{MCl}_2 \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O} + 4\text{-HOAINH} \xrightarrow[\text{heat}]{\text{heat}} [\text{M}(4\text{-HOAINH})\text{Cl}_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2] \\ & + (n-2)\text{H}_2\text{O} \\ \\ \\ \text{CuSO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O} + 4\text{-HOAINH} \xrightarrow[\text{heat}]{\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{EtOH}} [\text{Cu}(4\text{-HOAINH})\text{SO}_4\text{-} \\ & (\text{H}_2\text{O})_2] + 3\text{H}_2\text{O} \end{array}$$

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Analytical and Physico-chemical Data of the Metal Complexes

Table I.

8.5 8.4 8.4 8.8 8.1 8.1 (8.2) 8.6 (8.9) 8.5 8.5 8.1 (8.5) (8.5) 8.0 7.6 (8.5) (8.0)  $H_2O$ 1 I Yield % 65 60 59 62 69 65 68 72 61 58  $\begin{array}{c} Conductance \quad \mu_{eff} \ \ \, \\ Hydrazine \ (\Omega_{M}^{-1}mol^{-1}cm^{2}) \ (B.M.) \end{array}$ 5.103.10 1.962.96 1.864.81 2.01 L Molar 9.9 21.2 11.1 10.1 4.9 L I. L T L 7.1 7.5) 7.0 (7.1)  $\begin{array}{c} 17.50\\ (17.57)\\ 10.11\\ 10.11\\ 10.06\\ 10.06\\ 10.11\\ 10.11\\ 10.11\\ 10.12\\ 9.40\\ 9.40\\ 9.40\\ 9.40\\ 9.40\\ 9.80\\$ 9.66 (9.87) 9.00 (9.32) z Found (Calcd.) %  $\begin{array}{c} 5.41 \\ (5.44) \\ 4.18 \\ 4.19 \\ 4.21 \\ 4.20 \\ 4.00 \\ 3.65 \\ 3.55 \\ 5.55 \\ 5.55 \\ (5.57) \\ 4.00 \\ 4.00 \\ (4.03) \\ 4.00 \\ (4.04) \end{array}$ 3.87 (3.99) 3.61 (3.77) Ξ 70.43 (70.29) 41.38 (41.48) 41.38 (41.51) (41.02) 36.66 (36.64) 66.40 (66.60) 39.66 (39.91) 39.64 (39.93) 39.06 (39.48) 37.00 (37.30) 41.11 C  $\mathop{\rm Anion}_{\rm Cl^-/SO_4^{2-}}$  $\begin{array}{c} 17.4 \\ (17.5) \\ 17.4 \\ (17.5) \\ 17.1 \\ 17.1 \\ 17.1 \\ 15.2 \\ 15.2 \\ 15.2 \\ 15.2 \\ - \end{array}$ 16.5 (16.8) 16.5 (16.7) 21.0 (21.3) 16.6 (16.8) T  $\begin{array}{c} 14.3\\ (14.5)\\ 14.0\\ 14.0\\ 15.5\\ 15.5\\ (15.4)\\ 224.3\\ -\end{array}$ Metal  $\begin{array}{c} 13.8 \\ (14.0) \\ 13.6 \\ (13.9) \end{array}$  $\begin{array}{c}
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\end{array}$ T Melting pt. (°C) 212–14<sup>d</sup> point/dec. 225–26<sup>d</sup> 220–22<sup>d</sup> 162-63 219-20 200 - 01195-97 201-02 280-82 250–51<sup>d</sup> (Formula White (239.00) Violet (404.9) Green (409.5)
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 Dark Colour (404.7) Green green (450.5) wt.)  $\begin{array}{l} C_{14}H_{17}N_{3}Cl_{2}CuO_{4}\\ [Cu(4+HOAINH)SO_{4}(H_{2}O)_{2}]\\ C_{14}H_{17}CuN_{3}O_{8}S\end{array}$  $C_{14}H_{13}N_3O_2$ [Co(4-HOAINH)Cl<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>] C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>17</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>Co<sub>N3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> [Ni(4-HOAINH)Cl<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>] C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>17</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>NiO<sub>4</sub>  $[Cu(4-HOAINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$  $\begin{bmatrix} Cd(AINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2 \\ C_{14}H_{17}CdCl_2N_3O_3 \\ 4-HOAINH \end{bmatrix}$ [Cu(AINH)Cl<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>] C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>17</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>CuN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub> C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>13</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O [Co(AINH)Cl<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>] C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>17</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>CoN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [Ni(AINH)Cl<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>] C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>17</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>NiO<sub>3</sub> Complexes AINH

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				Table I.	Continu	ed						
				F	ound (C	alcd.) %	. 0					
Complexes	Colour (Formula wt.)	Melting point/dec. pt. (°C)	Metal	Anion Cl <sup>-</sup> /SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	C	Н	Z	Hydrazine	$\begin{array}{c} Molar\\ Conductance\\ (\Omega_{M}^{-l}mol^{-l}cm^{2}) \end{array}$	μ <sub>eff</sub> (B.M.)	Yield %	$H_2O$
[Cd(4-HOAINH)Cl <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ]	Yellow	235–37 <sup>d</sup>	23.6	14.6	35.30	3.63	8.76	6.4	I	I	70	7.1
$C_{14}H_{17}CdCl_2N_3O_4$	(474.4)		(23.7)	(14.9)	(35.40)	(3.58)	(8.85)	(6.7)			Ċ	(1.6)
ASH ClsHi4N,O,	w mite (254)	1	I	I	(70.86) (70.86)	15.5 (5.51)	(11.02)	(12.6)	I	I	0/	I
$[Co(ASH)_2Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	Purple	220-22	8.5	10.6	53.32	4.81	8.15	9.3	10.1	4.86	65	5.0
$C_{30}H_{32}Cl_2CoN_4O_6$	(673.9)		(8.7)	(10.5)	(53.42)	(4.74)	(8.31)	(9.5)				(5.3)
$[Ni(ASH)_2Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	Green	180-82	8.6	10.4	53.35	4.68	8.25	9.3	9.6	3.30	60	5.1
$C_{30}H_{32}Cl_2N_4NiO_6$	(673.7)		(8.7)	(10.5)	(53.43)	(4.74)	(8.31)	(9.5)				(5.3)
$[Cu(ASH)_2Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	Blue	195—96	9.5	10.4	53.20	4.65	8.14	9.3	22.7	2.01	58	5.2
$C_{30}H_{32}Cl_2CuN_4O_6$	(678.5)		(9.3)	(10.5)	(53.05)	(4.71)	(8.25)	(9.4)				(5.3)
$[Cd(ASH)_2Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	White	250-52	15.2	9.7	49.37	4.30	7.82	8.6	10.7	I	99	6.4
$C_{30}H_{32}CdCl_2N_4O_6$	(727.4)		(15.4)	(8.6)	(49.49)	(4.39)	(7.70)	(8.8)				(6.9)
4-HOASH	Yellow	24244	Ι	I	66.8	5.20	10.80	11.6	I	I	70	I
$C_{15}H_{14}N_2O_3$	(270)				(66.66)	(5.18)	(10.37)	(11.8)				
[Co(4-HOASH) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ]	Violet	240—42 <sup>d</sup>	8.6	10.3	53.56	4.10	8.45	9.2	Ι	4.88	60	Ι
$\mathrm{C}_{30}\mathrm{H}_{28}\mathrm{Cl}_2\mathrm{CoN}_4\mathrm{O}_6$	(6.69)		(8.8)	(10.6)	(53.74)	(4.17)	(8.36)	(9.5)				
$[Ni(4-HOASH)_2Cl_2]$	Green	$190-92^{d}$	8.7	10.7	53.70	4.22	8.25	9.4	8.9	3.21	65	I
$\mathrm{C}_{30}\mathrm{H}_{28}\mathrm{Cl}_{2}\mathrm{N}_{4}\mathrm{NiO}_{6}$	(669.7)		(8.8)	(10.6)	(53.75)	(4.18)	(8.36)	(9.5)				
[Cu(4-HOASH) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ]	Dark green	$200-02^{d}$	9.3	10.6	53.26	4.20	8.10	9.6	11.1	1.89	60	Ι
$\mathrm{C}_{30}\mathrm{H}_{28}\mathrm{Cl}_{2}\mathrm{CuN}_{4}\mathrm{O}_{6}$	(674.5)		(9.4)	(10.5)	(53.37)	(4.15)	(8.30)	(9.5)				
$[Cu(4-HOASH)SO_4(H_2O)_2]$	Green	220–22 <sup>d</sup>	13.5	20.4	38.70	3.80	6.00	6.8	8.9	1.96	65	7.5
$C_{15}H_{18}CuN_2O_9S$	(465.5)		(13.6)	(20.6)	(38.66)	(3.86)	(6.01)	(6.9)				(7.7)
[Cd(4-HOASH) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ]	White	244—45 <sup>d</sup>	15.3	9.9	49.71	3.80	7.53	8.7	I	I	58	Ι
$C_{30}H_{28}CdCl_2N_4O_6$	(723.4)		(15.5)	(8.8)	(49.76)	(3.87)	(7.74)	(8.8)				
d = decomposition tempe	rature.											

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$$\begin{split} \text{MCl}_2 \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O} + 2\text{ASH} & \xrightarrow[\text{heat}]{} \text{Im}(\text{ASH})_2\text{Cl}_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2] + (n-2)\text{H}_2\text{O} \\ \text{MCl}_2 \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O} + 4\text{-}\text{HOASH} & \xrightarrow[\text{heat}]{} \text{Im}(4\text{-}\text{HOASH})_2\text{Cl}_2] + n\text{H}_2\text{O} \\ \text{CuSO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O} + 4\text{-}\text{HOASH} & \xrightarrow[\text{heat}]{} \text{Im}(4\text{-}\text{HOASH})_2\text{Cl}_2] + n\text{H}_2\text{O} \\ & \xrightarrow[\text{heat}]{} \text{Heat} & \text{Im}(4\text{-}\text{HOASH})_2\text{Cl}_2] + n\text{H}_2\text{O} \\ & \xrightarrow[\text{heat}]{} \text{Heat} & \text{Im}(4\text{-}\text{HOASH})\text{SO}_4(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2] \\ & \xrightarrow[\text{heat}]{} + 3\text{H}_2\text{O} \end{split}$$

[M(II) = Co, Ni, Cu and Cd; n = 0, 2, 6]

The complexes  $[M(ASH)_2Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$  and  $[M(AINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$  melt in the 180–252 °C temperature range while  $[M(4-HOASH)_2Cl_2]$  and  $[M(4-HOAINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$  decompose in the 190–251 °C temperature range.

HOAINH)Cl<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>] decompose in the 190–251 °C temperature range. The molar conductances (4.9–28.7  $\Omega_M^{-1}$  cm<sup>2</sup> mol<sup>-1</sup>) in DMSO of the complexes suggest non-electrolytic behaviour. The slightly higher values of [Ni(AINH)Cl<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>] and [Cu(ASH)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>] complexes are due to partial dissociation of the anion by DMSO.<sup>[8]</sup> Dehydration studies of the hydrated complexes in the 100–180 °C temperature range showed the presence of coordinated water in the complexes.

#### **Magnetic Measurements**

The magnetic moment values of the cobalt(II) and nickel(II) complexes are indicative of an octahedral geometry.<sup>[9]</sup> The  $\mu_{eff}$  values of the copper(II) complexes correspond to one unpaired electron and give no definite information regarding the coordination geometry around the metal ion.

#### **Electronic Spectra**

In the spectra of ASH absorption bands (Table II) are observed at 31,250, 41,322 and 45,870 cm<sup>-1</sup> while the spectrum of AINH shows bands at 34,246, 40,322 and 48,076 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. The bands are observed at 29,410, 40,650 and 46,290 cm<sup>-1</sup> in the spectrum of 4-HOASH and at 33,333, 42,016 and 47,169 cm<sup>-1</sup> in that of 4-HOAINH. The first two bands may be assigned to  $n \rightarrow \pi^*$  and  $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$  transitions of >C=O and >C=N moieties and the third absorption band may be due to the  $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$  transition of the benzene moiety. These bands were observed at lower energies in the spectra of the complexes indicating involvement of the carbonyl oxygen and/or azomethine nitrogen in bonding.

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Complexes	٧1	$v_2$	v <sub>3</sub>	10Dq (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	${\rm B'}~({\rm cm}^{-1})$	β	$\beta^0 \; (\%)$	LFSE (kJ $mol^{-1}$ )
$[Co(AINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	Ι	14,492	18,518	7,704	856	0.88	11.8	73.4
$[Ni(AINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	9,589	15,529	26,178	9,589	862	0.83	16.5	136.9
$[Cu(AINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	12,903	Ι	Ι	12,903	Ι	Ι	Ι	92.1
$[Co(4-HOAINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	I	14,502	18,990	7,606	895	0.92	7.8	72.4
$[Ni(4-HOAINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	9,765	15,432	25,000	9,765	742	0.72	28.0	139.4
$[Cu(4-HOAINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	13,513	Ι	Ι	13,513	I	I	Ι	96.5
$[Cu(4-HOAINH)SO_4(H_2O)_2]$	15,698	Ι	Ι	15,698	I	I	Ι	112.1
$[Co(ASH)_2Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	Ι	15,375	19,230	8,281	871	0.90	10.0	78.8
$[Ni(ASH)_2Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	I	16,500	24,150	10,907	574	0.56	44.3	155.8
$[Cu(ASH)_2Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	14,760	Ι	Ι	14,760	I	I	Ι	105.4
[Co(4-HOASH) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ]	I	14,450	19,607	7,854	924	0.95	4.84	74.8
[Ni(4-HOASH) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ]	I	14,367	24, 140	8,827	803	0.78	22.0	126.1
[Cu(4-HOASH) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ]	14,110	Ι	Ι	14,110	I	I	Ι	100.7
$[Cu(4-HOASH)SO_4(H_2O)_2]$	15,190	I	I	15,190	I	Ι	I	108.5

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The spectra (Table II) of the cobalt(II) complexes show two absorption bands. They are assigned to the  ${}^{4}T_{1g}(F) \rightarrow {}^{4}A_{2g}(F)$  (v<sub>2</sub>) and  ${}^{4}T_{1g}(P)$  (v<sub>3</sub>) transitions, respectively, assuming an octahedral stereochemistry for the complexes.<sup>[10]</sup>

The [Ni(ASH)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>] and [Ni(4-HOASH)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>] complexes show two absorption bands which are attributed to  ${}^{3}A_{2g}(F) \rightarrow {}^{3}T_{1g}(F)$  (v<sub>2</sub>) and  ${}^{3}T_{1g}(P)$  (v<sub>3</sub>) transitions, respectively, while [Ni(AINH)Cl<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>] and [Ni(4-HOAINH)Cl<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>] exhibit three absorption bands which are assigned to  ${}^{3}A_{2g}(F) \rightarrow {}^{3}T_{2g}(F)$  (v<sub>1</sub>),  ${}^{3}T_{1g}(F)$  (v<sub>2</sub>) and  ${}^{3}T_{1g}(P)$  (v<sub>3</sub>), transitions, respectively, on the basis of an octahedral geometry. The octahedral coordination around nickel(II) is further supported by the v<sub>2</sub>/v<sub>1</sub> ratio for AINH (1.58) and 4-HOAINH (1.61) complexes which lies in the range reported for the nickel (II) complexes with an octahedral geometry.<sup>[11]</sup>

The ligand field parameters such as crystal field splitting energy (10Dq), inter-electronic repulsion parameters (B'), nephelauxetic ratio ( $\beta$ ), percentage covalency ( $\beta^0$ ) and ligand field stablization energy (LFSE) have been evaluated for the cobalt(II) and nickel(II) complexes.<sup>[12]</sup> The values of B' and  $\beta$  are indicative of the reduction in inter-electronic repulsion which is resulting due to the metal-ligand orbital overlap.

Only one broad band is observed in the spectra of the copper(II) complexes at 10,810–15,190 cm<sup>-1</sup> which may be assigned to the  ${}^{2}E_{g} \rightarrow {}^{2}T_{2g}$  (D) transition on the basis of an octahedral geometry.<sup>[13]</sup>

#### ESR Spectra

The spectra of  $[Cu(4-HOASH)SO_4(H_2O)_2]$  and  $[Cu(4-HOAINH)-SO_4(H_2O)_2]$  are not resolved. They show peaks (Table III) which are used to evaluate the g values. These are characteristic of interaction between copper ions in the powder complex.

#### <sup>1</sup>H NMR Spectra

The spectrum of ASH shows peaks (Table IV) at  $\delta$  2.52 (s), 11.36 (s) and 7.40–8.80 (m). AINH exhibits signals at  $\delta$  2.52 (s), 10.06 (s) and 7.40–8.43 (m). These peaks are attributed to  $-C\underline{H}_3$ , N<u>H</u> and aromatic protons, respectively. In the spectrum of  $[Cd(ASH)_2Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$ , the  $-N\underline{H}$  peak is observed at the same position and shows non-involvement of the carbonyl oxygen in bonding. The spectrum of  $[Cd(AINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$  shows signals at  $\delta$  2.52 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 10.55 (–NH) and 7.40–8.03 (aromatic protons).

Complexes	Peak Position (G)	g Values
[Cu(4-HOAINH)SO <sub>4</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ]	3400, 3485, 3560	2.13, 2.07, 2.03
[Cu(4-HOASH)SO <sub>4</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ]	3040, 3200, 3480	2.38, 2.26, 2.08

Table III. ESR Spectral Data of Complexes

A downfield shift in the  $-N\underline{H}$  proton suggests bonding of the carbonyl oxygen with the metal ions in these complexes.

## <sup>13</sup>C NMR Spectra

The 22.49 MHz proton decoupled <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of ASH exhibits signals (Table IV) at 13.92, 152.45 and 162.20 ppm and that of AINH shows signals at 13.02, 150.03 and 152.25 ppm due to  $-\underline{CH}_3$ ,  $>\underline{C}=N$  and >C=O carbons, respectively.

The spectra of  $[Cd(ASH)_2Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$  show deshielding of the azomethine carbon indicating bonding through the azomethine nitrogen, while that of  $[Cd(AINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$  exhibits signals at 13.28 (-<u>C</u>H<sub>3</sub>), 152.55 (><u>C</u>=N) and 152.88 (><u>C</u>=O) ppm. The downfield shifts in the carbonyl and azomethine carbons, suggest participation of >C=O and >C=N moieties in bonding.<sup>[15,16]</sup>

#### **Infrared Spectra**

The bands (Table V) appearing at 3300-3148, 1690-1640, 1620-1610 and 990-960 cm<sup>-1</sup> in the spectra of the hydrazones are attributed to v(NH),

		$^{1}\mathrm{H}$	I NMR	13	C NMR	
Complexes	$-N\underline{H}$	$-C\underline{H}_3$	Aromatic Protons	> <u>C</u> =0	$\geq \underline{C} = N$	$-\underline{C}H_3$
AINH [Cd(AINH)Cl <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ] ASH [Cd(ASH) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ]	10.06 10.55 11.36 11.36	2.52 2.52 2.52 2.52 2.52	7.40-8.43 7.40-8.03 7.40-8.80 7.00-8.61	152.25 152.88 162.20 162.36	150.03 152.55 152.45 156.67	13.02 13.28 13.92 13.98

Table IV. NMR Spectral Data of Ligands and Their Metal Complexes

Table V.	Important II	R Spectral B	ands $(cm^{-1})$ of	Ligands and	Metal Comp	lexes
Complexes	v(OH) <sub>H2O</sub>	(NH)	Amide I/v(C=O)	v(C=N)	v(N-N)	Pyridine Ring Vibrations
AINH	I	3190 s	1690 s	1620 s	990 m	685 s, 415 w
$[Co(AINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	3408  w	$3210\mathrm{m}$	$1650\mathrm{m}$	1610  w	$1010 \mathrm{m}$	685, 415 w
$[Ni(AINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	3410  w	$3200\mathrm{m}$	1655 m	1605 w	$1015 \mathrm{m}$	680 m, 410 w
$[Cu(AINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	$3440 \mathrm{w}$	$3210\mathrm{m}$	$1650\mathrm{m}$	1610  w	$1010 \mathrm{m}$	680 m, 410 w
$[Cd(AINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	3555 w	$3200\mathrm{m}$	1662 m	$1610\mathrm{m}$	$1015 \mathrm{m}$	685 m, 415 w
4-HOAINH	I	3280  w	1655 s	$1610 \mathrm{s}$	$980\mathrm{m}$	680 m, 415 w
$[Co(4-HOAINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	$3440 \mathrm{w}$	3280  w	1680  s	1604  w	$1005\mathrm{m}$	690 m, 425 w
$[Ni(4-HOAINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	3445 w	3275 w	1660 s	1604  w	$1010 \mathrm{m}$	695 m, 435 w
$[Cu(4-HOAINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	3455 w	3280  w	1665 s	1605 w	$1015 \mathrm{m}$	700 m, 420 w
$[Cu(4-HOAINH)SO_4(H_2O)_2]$	3440  w	3275 w	1650  w	1605 w	$1005 \mathrm{w}$	680 m, 415 w
$[Cd(4-HOAINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	3446 w	$3080 \mathrm{w}$	1685 w	1605 w	$1010 \mathrm{m}$	695 m, 430 w
ASH	I	$3148\mathrm{m}$	$1640 \mathrm{s}$	$1610\mathrm{m}$	972 m	
$[Co(ASH)_2Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	$3420\mathrm{m}$	3166 b	$1640 \mathrm{s}$	$1600\mathrm{m}$	$982\mathrm{m}$	
$[Ni(ASH)_2Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	$3410\mathrm{m}$	3150 b	1642	$1604\mathrm{m}$	985 w	
$[Cu(ASH)_2Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	$3425\mathrm{m}$	3165 b	1640  s	$1605\mathrm{m}$	$1000 \mathrm{w}$	
$[Cd(ASH)_2Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	$3450\mathrm{m}$	3160 b	1640  s	$1605\mathrm{m}$	980 w	
4-HOASH	Ι	$3300\mathrm{m}$	$1650 \mathrm{s}$	1610	$960\mathrm{m}$	
$[Co(4-HOASH)_2Cl_2]$	Ι	3300 b	$1645\mathrm{m}$	$1604\mathrm{m}$	998 m	
[Ni(4-HOASH) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ]	Ι	$3310\mathrm{b}$	$1645\mathrm{m}$	$1606\mathrm{m}$	$990\mathrm{m}$	
$[Cu(4-HOASH)_2Cl_2]$	Ι	$3305\mathrm{m}$	$1645\mathrm{m}$	$1605\mathrm{m}$	996 m	
$[Cu(4-HOASH)SO_4(H_2O)_2]$	$3435\mathrm{m}$	$3300\mathrm{m}$	$1635\mathrm{m}$	$1605\mathrm{m}$	$1006\mathrm{m}$	
[Cd(4-HOASH) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ]	I	3305 b	1638 m	$1605\mathrm{m}$	1006 m	

## COMPLEXES OF Co(II), Ni(II), Cu(II), AND Cd(II)

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Table VI. X-Ray Powder Diffraction Data of [Cu(4-HOAINH)SO<sub>4</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>]

D	I <sub>rel.</sub>	$1/d^2 Q_{obs.}$	$1/d^2 Q_{cal.}$	h	k	1
8.3426	681	0.01437	0.01415	1	1	-2
7.8421	214	0.01626	0.01602	2	1	1
7.5165	911	0.01770	0.01752	2	-2	1
6.7880	107	0.02170	0.02177	-3	1	1
6.4861	169	0.02377	0.02370	2	2	-1
6.3277	232	0.02498	0.02488	2	-2	2
5.8325	106	0.02940	0.02954	-1	2	3
5.5268	1000	0.03274	0.03258	-2	3	2
5.3382	153	0.03509	0.03503	3	-2	2
5.2057	152	0.03690	0.03694	2	3	-1
4.8796	201	0.04200	0.04191	4	-2	1
4.6597	166	0.04606	0.04585	-4	2	2
4.6117	166	0.04702	0.04893	1	3	3
4.4782	207	0.04986	0.04978	4	-3	1
4.1804	135	0.05722	0.05721	2	3	3
3.8621	127	0.06704	0.06688	-3	3	4
3.5862	229	0.07776	0.07786	0	3	5
3.4265	97	0.08517	0.08531	3	-2	5
3.3267	343	0.09036	0.09010	6	1	0
3.2012	287	0.09758	0.09757	3	-6	2
2.8555	73	0.12264	0.12261	6	-4	3
2.8113	135	0.12653	0.12651	3	-6	4
2.6379	96	0.14371	0.14374	-1	8	1
2.6082	139	0.14700	0.14701	5	0	6
2.5346	137	0.15566	0.15561	7	3	1
2.4452	188	0.16725	0.16724	-5	5	6
2.3962	140	0.17416	0.17418	-4	6	6
2.3543	139	0.18042	0.18042	-7	1	6
2.2532	157	0.19697	0.19688	4	1	8
2.2097	125	0.20480	0.20478	7	5	1
2.1823	121	0.20998	0.20985	9	1	-3
2.1117	103	0.22425	0.22431	9	2	2
2.0366	132	0.24110	0.24110	-8	8	2
1.9962	136	0.25095	0.25070	10	-3	3
1.9559	147	0.26140	0.26150	6	-10	1
1.9104	99	0.27400	0.27401	7	7	-2
1.8936	133	0.27888	0.27885	8	4	5
1.8717	121	0.28545	0.28547	4	-11	2
1.7200	92	0.33802	0.33795	8	2	_9

Table VII. X-Ray Powder Diffraction Data of [Cd(AINH)Cl<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>]

(continued)

D	I <sub>rel.</sub>	$1/d^2 Q_{obs.}$	$1/d^2 Q_{cal.}$	h	k	1
1.6970	133	0.34725	0.34724	-10	9	3
1.6798	107	0.35439	0.35442	4	1	-11
1.6678	123	0.35951	0.35953	0	11	6
1.6467	93	0.36878	0.36889	6	10	1
1.6350	97	0.37408	0.37408	-9	11	1
1.6148	80	0.38350	0.38352	1	9	9
1.5590	160	0.41144	0.41144	-11	10	2
1.5500	173	0.41623	0.41623	13	-5	3
1.5403	245	0.42149	0.42147	1	-8	11
1.5275	189	0.42859	0.42860	-5	2	13
1.5043	236	0.44191	0.44191	9	8	4
1.4870	119	0.45225	0.45230	5	12	2
1.4785	120	0.45746	0.45748	9	9	-3
1.4697	158	0.46296	0.46293	-9	10	8
1.4615	153	0.46817	0.46810	-4	14	4
1.4458	131	0.47839	0.47833	11	-10	5
1.4344	164	0.48603	0.48603	10	-7	9
1.4261	177	0.49170	0.49174	-10	5	11
1.4071	170	0.50507	0.50502	4	11	4
1.3995	161	0.51057	0.51056	3	-7	13
1.3812	107	0.52419	0.52419	7	9	-9
1.3582	97	0.54209	0.54207	12	4	7
1.3478	120	0.55049	0.55038	3	5	14

Table VII. Continued

v(C=O), v(C=N) and v(N-N) modes, respectively. A band at 3260, 3325 and 3320 cm<sup>-1</sup> is assigned to v(OH) (phenolic) in the spectra of ASH, 4-HOASH and 4-HOAINH, respectively. The appearance of v(OH) at lower frequency may be due to inter- and/or intramolecular hydrogen bonding.

In the spectra of  $[M(ASH)_2Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$  and  $[M(4-HO-AINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$ , the absorption band due to v(C=O) is shifted towards higher frequency or remained unaltered indicating non-participation of the carbonyl oxygen in bonding. In the spectra of  $[M(4-HOASH)_2Cl_2]$ ,  $[M(AINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$ ,  $[Cu(4-HOASH)SO_4(H_2O)_2]$  and  $[Cu(4-HOAINH)-SO_4(H_2O)_2]$  complexes, v(C=O) is observed at lower frequency (1662–1635 cm<sup>-1</sup>) indicating coordination of the carbonyl oxygen to the metal ion.<sup>[17]</sup>

In all of the complexes v(C=N) is observed in the 1615–1595 cm<sup>-1</sup> region indicating that the azomethine nitrogen is involved in bonding.<sup>[18]</sup>

D	I <sub>rel.</sub>	$1/d^2 Q_{obs.}$	$1/d^2 Q_{cal.}$	h	k	1
8.1493	863	0.01506	0.01508	2	-1	0
6.1931	1000	0.02607	0.02621	-1	2	1
5.8722	452	0.02900	0.02892	0	2	0
5.5007	446	0.03305	0.03306	2	1	0
5.1271	394	0.03804	0.03789	3	0	0
3.3788	343	0.08759	0.08760	7	0	-2
2.5687	271	0.15156	0.15158	6	0	0
2.4033	308	0.17313	0.17303	6	2	-1
1.8298	401	0.29867	0.29869	2	6	-3
1.6798	327	0.03544	0.35427	0	7	0
1.5986	360	0.39131	0.39133	9	4	1
1.5811	264	0.40002	0.40004	-9	9	6
1.5708	313	0.40528	0.40523	0	0	7
1.5656	305	0.40798	0.40808	7	-7	1
1.5268	467	0.42898	0.42895	2	-1	6
1.4753	424	0.45945	0.45941	9	5	-10

*Table VIII.* X-Ray Powder Diffraction Data of [Cd(4-HOAINH)Cl<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>]

The v(N–N) band shifted to higher frequency  $(1015-980 \text{ cm}^{-1})$  in the spectra of the complexes compared to the free hydrazones. This further supports bonding through the azomethine nitrogen.<sup>[19]</sup> The band due to v(OH) shifted to higher frequency or remained unaltered indicating non-involvement of the phenolic oxygen in bonding.

The bands observed at  $680 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  due to in-plane deformation and at  $415 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  due to out-of-plane deformation modes in the spectrum of 4-HOAINH shifted towards higher frequencies in the spectra of the complexes except in that of [Cu(4-HOAINH)SO<sub>4</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>]. This suggests involvement of the pyridine nitrogen in bonding. In the spectrum of AINH these bands are observed at 685 and  $415 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  which remain unaltered in the spectra of the complexes and suggest non-participation of the pyridine nitrogen in bonding.

In the spectra of  $[Cu(4-HOASH)SO_4(H_2O)_2]$ , and  $[Cu(4-HOAINH)-SO_4(H_2O)_2]$  three new bands appear at 960–985, 1040–1060 and 1210–1250 cm<sup>-1</sup> and indicate chelate bonding of  $SO_4^{2-}$ .

A broad band at  $3555-3405 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  is assigned to v(OH) of water in the hydrated complexes. The coordinated nature of water is shown by the presence of bands in the 880–860 and 780–770 cm<sup>-1</sup> regions due to  $\rho_r(H_2O)$  and  $\rho_w(H_2O)$ , respectively.

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#### **X-Ray Powder Diffraction Studies**

The X-ray powder diffraction patterns of the complexes  $[Cd(AINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$ ,  $[Cu(4-HOAINH)SO_4(H_2O)_2]$  and  $[Cd(4-HOAINH)Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$  are indicative of their crystalline nature. The diffraction patterns have been successfully indexed by Ito's method.<sup>[21]</sup> The shape of the unit lattice and parameters are given in Table IX.

#### **Biological Activity**

Acetophenone and 4-hydroxyacetophenone salicyloylhydrazones and their copper(II) and zinc(II) complexes were screened against *E. coli* and *Aspergillus niger* at the three concentrations 500, 1000 and 1500  $\mu$ g/mL.

Complex	Crysta	al Lattice	V (Å <sup>3</sup> )
[Cd(AINH)Cl <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ]	Rhombohedral	a 21.34 Å α 89° b 21.31 Å β 93° c 20.93 Å γ 101°	9318.3970
[Cu(4-HOAINH)SO <sub>4</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ]	triclinic	a 16.45 Å $\alpha$ 84° b 14.86 Å $\beta$ 115° c 16.15 Å $\gamma$ 102°	3471.1381
[Cd(4-HOAINH)Cl <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ]	triclinic	a 53.90 Å $\alpha$ 51° b 16.44 Å $\beta$ 161° c 35.52 Å $\gamma$ 133°	7050.7761

Table IX. The Shape of Unit Lattice and Parameters

Table X. Antifungal Activity of ASH, 4-HOASH, and Their Metal Complexes

		% Germination	
Complexes	500 µg/mL	1000 µg/mL	1500 µg/mL
ASH	+++	++	++
4-HOASH	++	++	++
$[Cu(ASH)_2Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	++	++	++
$[Zn(ASH)_2Cl_2(H_2O)_2] \cdot H_2O$	+	+	+
[Cu(4-HOASH) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ]	+++	++	++
[Zn(4-HOASH) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ]·H <sub>2</sub> O	++	++	++

++++=100% germination, +++=75% germination, ++=50% germination, +=25% germination.

	Z	one of Inhibition (c	cm)
Complexes	500 μg/mL	1000 $\mu g/mL$	1500 μg/mL
ASH	0.52	0.58	0.69
4-HOASH	0.66	0.68	0.71
$[Cu(ASH)_2Cl_2(H_2O)_2]$	0.89	0.91	0.98
$[Zn(ASH)_2Cl_2(H_2O)_2] \cdot H_2O$	0.77	0.69	0.70
[Cu(4-HOASH) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ]	0.61	0.60	0.79
$[Zn(4-HOASH)_2Cl_2]\cdot H_2O$	0.69	0.66	0.78

Table XI. Antibacterial Activity of ASH, 4-HOASH, and Their Metal Complexes

From Tables X and XI it may be inferred that the metal complexes of 4-HOASH and ASH have greater activity than the parent hydrazones which may be due to the chelation effect.<sup>[22]</sup>

The ligand containing the phenolic moiety is found more effective as compared to other ligands reported earlier.<sup>[23]</sup> The ligand 4-HOASH containing two phenolic groups shows poor germination and better inhibition against *E. coli* than ASH which is due to the presence of only one phenolic group. The complexes show better inhibitory effect compared to the parent hydrazones. This may be explained as follows. In the complexes the ligands have some uncoordinated donor atoms which enhance the activity of the complexes by bonding with trace element present in biosystem. Thus, the microquanitity of trace elements presents in microorganisms may combine with the uncoordinated site and may inhibit the growth of fungi and bacteria.

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