

PREPARATION OF SI(IV) COMPLEXES WITH MIXED LIGANDS⁺

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Abstract:

Silicon (IV) complexes containing mixed ligands: 3-fluorobenzaldehyde semicarbazone and Schiff-bases (derived from 2- or 3-aminopyridine with 2-hydroxy or 3-methoxy or 2-hydroxy-3-methoxybenzaldehyde) have been synthesized. Complexes of the type $[\text{Si}(\text{FBSC})_2(\text{LH})]\text{Cl}_4$, $[\text{Si}(\text{FBSC})_2(\text{L}_n\text{H})]\text{Cl}_2$ and $[\text{Si}(\text{FBSC})_2(\text{L})]\text{Cl}$ (where LH = Schiff-base ligands, FBSC = 3-fluorobenzaldehyde semicarbazone, FBSC = deprotonated semicarbazone, $n = 2$ or 3) have been proposed. They are characterized by elemental analysis, electrolytic conductivities measurements, infrared and ultraviolet spectra. The results indicate that the ligands FBSC and Schiff-bases acted as bidentate chelating ligands, and the resulting complexes have octahedral geometries.

المستخلص:-

تم تحضير معقدات للسليكون (IV) الحاوية على مزيج من الليكاندات : ٣ - فلوروبنزالديهايد سيميکاربازون وقواعد شيف (المشتقة من ٢ - أو ٣ - أمينوبريدين مع ٢ - هيدروكسي أو ٣ - ميثوكسي أو ٢ - هيدروكسي - ٣ - ميثوكسي بنزالديهايد). اقترحت الصيغ $[\text{Si}(\text{FBSC})_2(\text{LH})]\text{Cl}_4$ و $[\text{Si}(\text{FBSC})_2(\text{L}_n\text{H})]\text{Cl}_2$ و $[\text{Si}(\text{FBSC})_2(\text{L})]\text{Cl}$ (حيث LH = ليكاندات قواعد شيف، FBSC = ٣ - فلوروبنزالديهايد سيميکاربازون، FBSC = السيميکاربازون مزال منه بروتون، $n = ٢$ أو ٣). شخّصت المعقدات الناتجة باستخدام التحليل الدقيق للعناصر وقياس التوصيلية الكهربائية وطيف الأشعة تحت الحمراء وطيف الأشعة فوق البنفسجية. أوضحت النتائج أن الليكاندات FBSC وقواعد شيف تعمل بشكل ليكاندات ثنائية السن كيليتية، وأن المعقدات الناتجة ذات شكل ثماني السطوح.

Introduction

Since d-orbitals of silicon tend to be rather diffused and of higher energy than its s- and p-orbitals, thus its complexes with donor ligands have silicon with coordination number higher than four seem to be somewhat rare [1]. Recent work shows that silicon can form complexes with penta, hexa and even hepta coordination numbers [2].

Semicarbazones are ligands bonding through the nitrogen and oxygen atoms to the central metal ion forming models for metal-ligand bonding sites in several enzymes [3]. Semicarbazone complexes of some elements have been reported [4-6].

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Schiff-bases represent a versatile series of ligands, the metal complexes of which have been widely studied [7-9]. Recently, there has been considerable interest in the study of mixed ligand complexes due to their important biological processes [10,11].

Since mixed ligand complexes with silicon (IV) have not yet been introduced, the aim of the present work is, therefore, the preparation and characterization of new silicon (IV) complexes with mixed ligands 3-fluorobenzaldehyde semicarbazone (FBSC) and Schiff-bases {2-pyridinosalicylidene (L_1H), 2-pyridino-3-methoxysalicylidene (L_2H), 2-pyridino-2-methoxybenzilidene (L_3H), 3-pyridinosalicylidene (L_4H), 3-methyl-2-pyridinosalicylidene (L_5H), 3-iminopyridinosalicylidene (L_6H): Figure 1}.

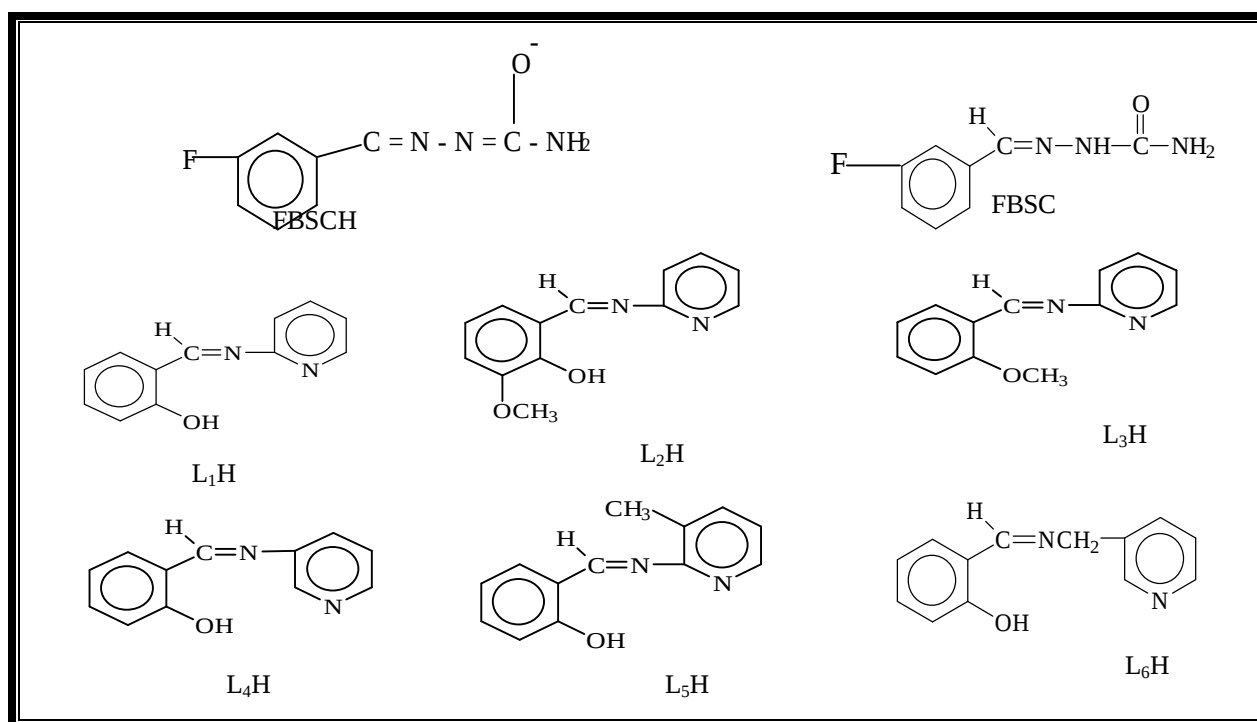


Figure 1. Model structures of the ligands

Experimental

I- Preparation of the Ligands

3-Fluorobenzaldehyde semicarbazone has been prepared [4] by refluxing equimolar quantities of semicarbazide hydrochloride, 3-fluorobenzaldehyde and sodium acetate solutions for about one hour. The precipitated semicarbazone has been filtered off, washed with cold water and recrystallised from ethanol (m.p.=230 °C).

Schiff-base ligands have been prepared [7] by refluxing equimolar quantities of 2- or 3-aminopyridine and the appropriate aldehyde for about one hour. The formed Schiff-bases have been filtered off from their cold solutions and crystallized from hot methanol (m.p. of L_1H = 67-67.8, L_2H = 96-98, L_3H = 136-140, L_4H = 68, L_5H = 87-89, L_6H = 50-54 °C).

II-Preparation of the Complexes :

A-Neutral Medium

Complexes of the type $[\text{Si}(\text{FBSCH})_2(\text{LH})]\text{Cl}_4$ have been prepared by the reaction of SiCl_4 with ethanolic solutions of 3-fluorobenzaldehyde semicarbazone and Schiff-bases ligands in 1:2:1 molar ratio using (7.5-10 ml.) .The mixtures have been refluxed for 3 hrs. , evaporated to about half their volumes and cooled in ice-bath . The resulting products have been filtered off , washed with cold ethanol and dried .

B-Basic medium

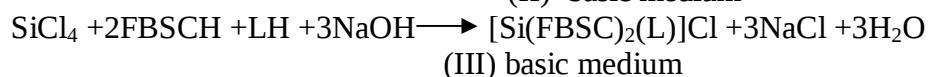
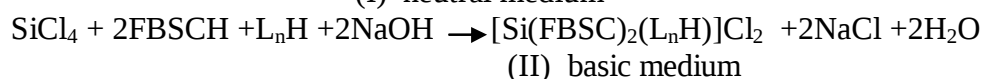
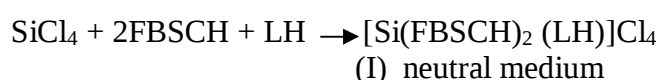
Complexes of the type $[\text{Si}(\text{FBSC})_2(\text{L}_3\text{H})]\text{Cl}_2$ or $[\text{Si}(\text{FBSC})_2(\text{L})]\text{Cl}$ have been prepared by the reaction of SiCl_4 with 3-fluorobenzaldehyde semicarbazone and Schiff-bases in 1:2:1 molar ratio . Ethanolic sodium hydroxide solution has been added to the mixtures until pH ~9-9.3 .The products have been filtered off , washed with cold ethanol and dried .

III-Analytical and Physical Measurements

Elemental analysis for the resulted complexes have been carried out on a CHN Analyzer type 1106 (Carlo-Erba) at Department of Chemistry , College of Science , Mosul University . Molar conductivities of the complexes have been measured in an electrolytic conductivity measuring set LF-42 using 10^{-3} M ethanolic solutions at room temperature . Infrared spectra have been recorded on Pye-Unicam 1100 spectrophotometer in the $400\text{--}4000\text{ cm}^{-1}$ range as KBr discs . Electronic spectra have been recorded on Shimadzu UV-Visible spectrophotometer , UV 160 for 10^{-4} M solutions of the ligands and their complexes in ethanol at 25°C using a 1 cm cell .

Results and Discussion

The reaction of SiCl_4 with 3-fluorobenzaldehyde semicarbazone and Schiff-bases in both neutral and basic medium may be represented by the following reactions :



(where $\text{LH} = \text{L}_1\text{H}, \text{L}_2\text{H}, \text{L}_3\text{H}, \text{L}_4\text{H}, \text{L}_5\text{H}, \text{L}_6\text{H}$; $\text{L}_n\text{H} = \text{L}_2\text{H}, \text{L}_3\text{H}$; $\text{L} = \text{L}_1, \text{L}_4, \text{L}_5, \text{L}_6$)

The resulting complexes are solids , moderately soluble in methanol , soluble in ethanol and dimethylformamide . The elemental analysis reveals that the complexes have the composition I , II and III in neutral and basic medium , respectively . Ionic nature of the complexes is confirmed by the conductance studies in ethanol medium . The values of the molar conductivities for the complexes prepared in neutral medium are closer to the range reported for 1:4 electrolytes in ethanol solution , whereas the molar conductivities of the complexes prepared in basic medium are closer to the range reported for 1:2 and 1:1 electrolytes in ethanol solution [12], respectively , (Table 1) .

The infrared spectra of semicarbazone ligand (Figure 2) shows a strong band at about 1680 cm^{-1} which was attributed to the C=O group [4,13] . This value shifted towards a lower frequency on coordination , in neutral medium , indicating the formation of a chelation between the oxygen of the C=O group and the metal ion [4,13]. Meanwhile , in basic medium , this band disappears in the complexes and a new band is observed at 1350 cm^{-1} due to C-O group , thereby establishing coordination of the ligand through the enolic oxygen atom [13,14]. The next strong band at 1580 cm^{-1} which is attributed to $\nu_{\text{C=N}}$ [5,15] shifted towards a lower frequency on coordination [5,13-15] which was due to the decrease of the bond order as a result of metal nitrogen bond formation [5] . The position of the ligand bands in the range $3400\text{-}3500\text{ cm}^{-1}$ remains unaltered in the complexes indicating that there is no coordination through the NH group [4,5].

The spectra of Schiff-bases (Figure 2) show a strong band in the region $1630\text{-}1644\text{ cm}^{-1}$ is due to C=N stretching vibration [7] . This band shifts towards a lower frequency , which demonstrate that the imine nitrogen is coordinated to the metal ion [7] . The next other band in the region $1576\text{-}1587\text{ cm}^{-1}$ is due to $\nu_{\text{C=N}}$ remained unaltered upon coordination [7] . Moreover the shift in the C-O (phenolic , methoxy) vibration band on complexation supports the coordination of phenolic and methoxy groups to the metal ion [7,16] .

The spectra of all the complexes show new bands around $520\text{-}580, 725\text{-}735\text{ cm}^{-1}$ due to $\nu_{\text{Si-N}}$ and $\nu_{\text{Si-O}}$, respectively .The presence of these bands strongly supports the coordination of the ligands under investigation with the metal ion (Figure 2) [4,7,14] .

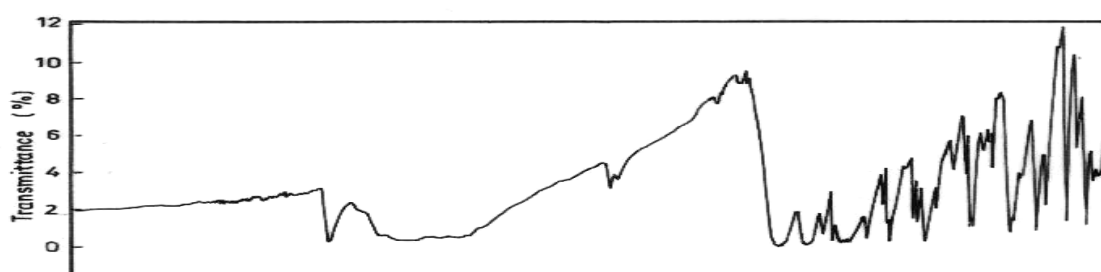


Figure 2 . Infrared spectra of : A = the ligand FBSCH ; B = the ligand L₆H ;
C= the complex [Si(FBSC)₂(L₆)]Cl

The electronic spectra (Figure 3) of the ligands and their complexes in ethanolic solutions have been recorded . The maximum is at about 228-235 and 320-360 nm which are due to the electronic transition $\pi - \pi^*$ in the aryl ring , $\pi - \pi^*$ and $n - \pi^*$ in C=N group , respectively [4,14,17] . On complexation , a blue shift (305-310 cm^{-1}) was observed due to the polarization in the C=N bond caused by the metal-ligand electron interaction during the chelation [7,17] .

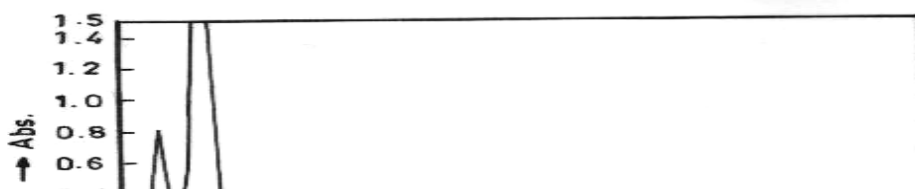


Figure 3 . Electronic spectra of : A = the ligand FBSC₂H₃ ; B = the ligand L₆H ; C= the complex
[Si(FBSC)₂(L₆)]Cl

From all the previous study , the proposed geometry of the complexes is shown in Figure 4 .

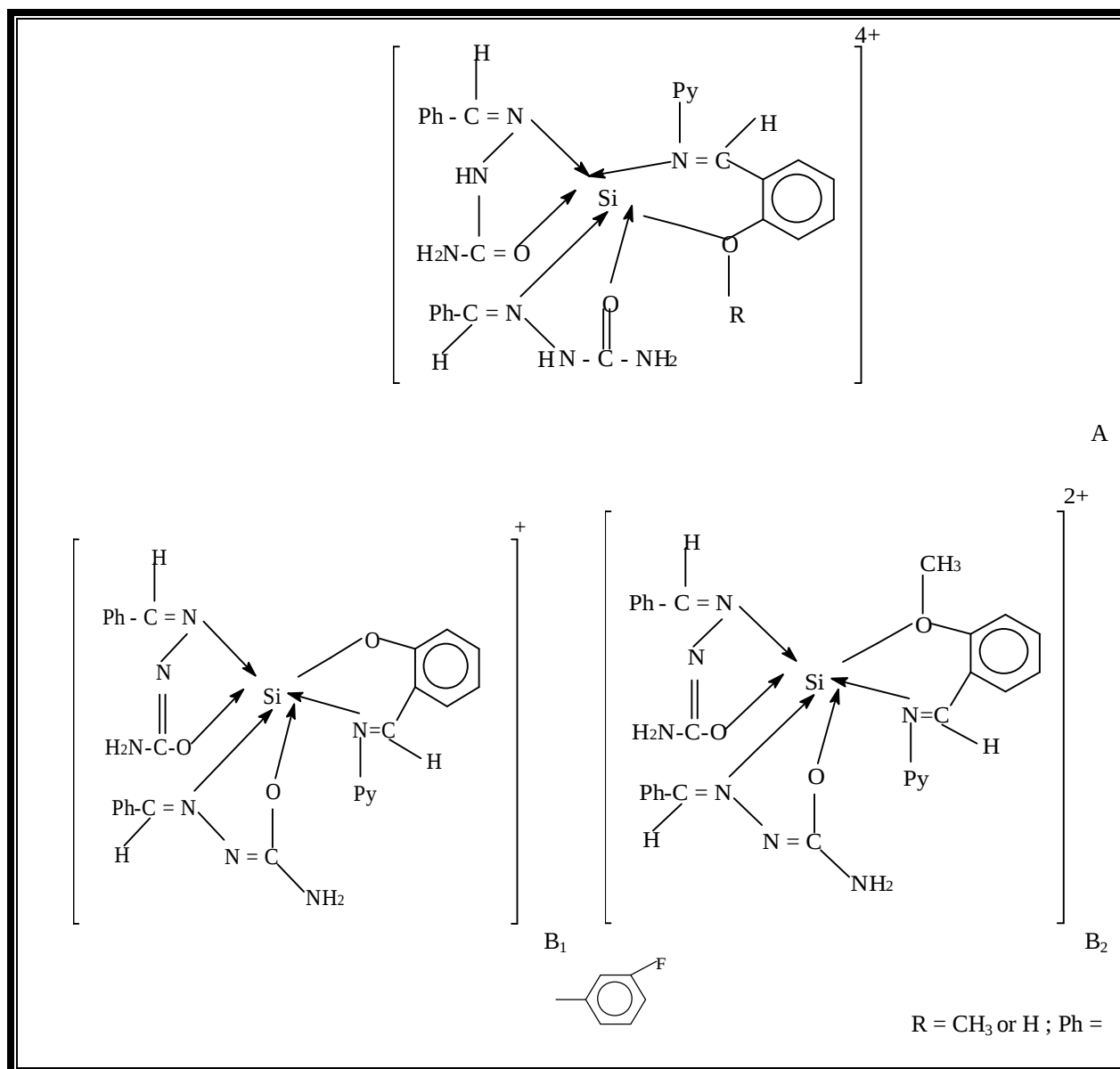


Figure 4 . Model structures of the complexes : A = complexes in neutral medium ; B₁ and B₂ = complexes in basic medium

Table 1 : Analytical data & physical properties of the complexes

No.	Compounds	Colours	M. P. or d.* °C	Λ_M^{**}	% Analysis (Calc. /Obs.)		
					C	N	H
1	[Si(FBSCH) ₂ (L ₁ H)]Cl ₄	Grey	246 d	142	46.04 45.79	3.58 3.49	15.34 15.24
2	[Si(FBSCH) ₂ (L ₂ H)]Cl ₄	Brown	Not melt or d.	149	43.53 43.24	3.47 3.38	12.08 11.95
3	[Si(FBSCH) ₂ (L ₃ H)]Cl ₄	Brown	249 d	155	46.78 46.48	5.79 5.68	15.05 14.95
4	[Si(FBSCH) ₂ (L ₄ H)]Cl ₄	Yellow	198 –200	149	46.04 45.66	3.58 3.46	15.34 15.21
5	[Si(FBSCH) ₂ (L ₅ H)]Cl ₄	Green	220 d	149	46.78 46.39	5.79 5.42	15.05 14.85
6	[Si(FBSCH) ₂ (L ₆ H)]Cl ₄	Pale brown	270 d	158	46.78 46.29	5.79 5.66	15.05 14.92
7	[Si(FBSC) ₂ (L ₁)Cl	Grey	Not melt or d.	40	54.14 53.86	3.73 3.62	18.04 17.79
8	[Si(FBSC) ₂ (L ₂ H)]Cl ₂	Brown	195 – 197d	78	49.80 48.33	3.58 4.02	13.83 14.11
9	[Si(FBSC) ₂ (L ₃ H)]Cl ₂	White	Not melt or d.	93	51.56 50.98	3.90 4.01	16.68 16.39
10	[Si(FBSC) ₂ (L ₄)Cl	White	Not melt or d.	37	54.14 53.67	3.73 3.87	18.04 17.79
11	[Si(FBSC) ₂ (L ₅)Cl	White	Not melt or d.	43	54.84 54.66	3.96 4.03	17.64 17.55
12	[Si(FBSC) ₂ (L ₆)Cl	White	Not melt or d.	45	54.84 4.45	3.96 4.04	17.64 17.48

* d= decomposition point ; ** Λ_M = Molar conductivity in ohm⁻¹ cm² mol⁻¹

Table-2: IR spectra of the ligands & their complexes (frequencies expressed in cm⁻¹)

*Correspond to compounds in Table 1

Comp. *	$\nu_{\text{C=N}}$ (semi)	ν_{NH} (semi)	$\nu_{\text{C=O}}$ (semi)	ν_{NH_2} (semi)	$\nu_{\text{C-O}}$ (semi)	$\nu_{\text{C=N}}$ (Py)	$\nu_{\text{C=N}}$ (S.B)	$\nu_{\text{C-O}}$ & OH	$\nu_{\text{Si-O}}$	$\nu_{\text{Si-N}}$
FBSCH & L ₁ H	1580	3400	1675	1450		1575	1630	1280 3100		
1	1540	3400	1655	1450		1575	1600	1320 3000	730 650	530, 580
7	1540	3400		1450	1330	1575	1600	1320	730 655	530, 580
FBSCH & L ₂ H	1580	3400	1675	1450		1575	1635	1280 3100		
2	1535	3400	1655	1450		1573	1600	1320 2900	730 650	520, 580
8	1535	3400		1450	1330	1573	1600	1320	730 655	520, 580
FBSCH & L ₃ H	1580	3400	1675	1450		1575	1630	1280 3100		
3	1540	3400	1655	1450		1574	1604	1320 2900	750 650	520, 570
9	1540	3400		1450	1330	1574	1604	1320	750 655	520, 570
FBSCH & L ₄ H	1580	3400	1675	1450		1587	1640	1280 3100		
4	1540	3400	1650	1450		1585	1600	1325 2850	735 600	530, 570
10	1540	3400		1450	1325	1585	1600	1325	735 605	530, 570
FBSCH & L ₅ H	1580	3400	1675	1450		1575	1630	1280 3100		
5	1535	3400	1650	1450		1575	1595	1320 2995	750 600	530, 580
11	1535	3400		1450	1330	1575	1595	1320	750 610	530, 580
FBSCH & L ₆ H	1580	3400	1675	1450		1587	1630	1280 3100		
6	1535	3400	1655	1450		1585	1595	1320 2995	730 600	520, 580
12	1540	3400		1450	1300	1585	1595	1320	730 610	520, 580

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