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Synthesis, Spectroscopic Characterization and Theoretical Study of Schiff Bases Derived from Phenylsulfonylamide

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Abstract

The synthesis, characterization, and theoretical study of two Schiff bases of ligands derived from condensation of sulphoacetamide sodium with 4-methoxy benzaldehyde and salicalaldehyde arereported. Spectroscopic techniques, including IR, UV, ¹H NMR, and CHN analysis were used to identify the product. The calculated HOMO is largely localized on the *N*-benzylideneaniline fragment, while the calculated LUMO of the studied molecule is seen to be substantially localized along the C–C axis of the conjugated system.

Keyword: Sulphoacetamide sodium complex; Schiff bases; Sulpha drug; Semi-empirical (PM3) methods.

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1. Introduction

Sulphonamide derivatives have been the subject of intensive studies, where a wide variety of those derivatives have been prepared and used in various physical, biological and pharmacological fields [1–4]. Schiff bases are among the most studied sulphonamide derivatives which have been used for numerous biological applications [5, 6]. These types of derivatives are very important because of their varied structures and biological activities [7–10].

Compounds containing the sulphonamide group have long been used for diseases like, malaria and convulsion [11]. The condensation products of sulphadrugs like sulphanilamide, sulphadiazine etc. with aldehydes, ketones or their derivative gives

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biologically active Schiff bases [12, 13], and their biological activity increase with complexation [14, 15].

The subject of this paper is to prepare a ligand system with available site (N-Na, C=N and OH), where these two compounds have been classified as bidentate (compound 1) and tridentate ligands (compound 2) (scheme 1).

Scheme 1

2. Experimental

2.1. Materials and physical measurements

Sulphaacetamide sodium, 4-methoxybenzaldehyde and salicalaldehyde were purchased from (Fluka). All other solvents were of reagent grade and distilled prior to use. Melting point were determined on a BUCHI melting point 501, electronic spectra were recorded by PG T80+ instrument, IR spectra were measured on shimadzu spectrophotometer as KBr pellets in the region 4000-400 cm⁻¹, elemental analyses were performed on Euro vector EA 3000A (Italy). The ¹HNMR spectra were recorded in DMSO –d⁶ on Bruker 500MHz spectrometer using TMS an internal standard. The synthesis of the two compounds is shown in scheme 2.

X = p ara-MeO, ortho-OH

Scheme 2

2.2. Synthesis of sodium (E)-acetyl(4-(4-methoxybenzylideneamino)phenylsulfonyl) amide (compound 1)

2.2g (0.01mol) of sodium acetyl(4-aminophenylsulfonyl)amide and 1.36g(0.01mol) of 4-methoxy benzaldehyde dissolved in 25 ml methanol. The resulting solution was refluxed for 3h. The pale yellow precipitate which was formed in the reaction was filtered off, washed with cooled ethanol and dried: yield 84%, m.p. 296-298°C. The result of elemental analysis is as follows: found (calculated); C: 54.62 (54.23), H: 4.04 (4.23), N: 8.02 (7.90), S: 8.87 (9.03).

2.3. Synthesis of sodium (E)-acetyl(4-(2-hydroxybenzylideneamino)phenylsulfonyl) amide $(Compound\ 2)$

2.2g (0.1mol) of sodium acetyl(4-aminophenylsulfonyl)amide and 2 ml (excess) of salicyaaldehyde dissolved in 10 ml methanol. The resulting solution was refluxed for 4 h. The product was isolated as a yellow-orange powder on the evaporation of the solvent, and re-crystallized in *n*-hexane yield 81% as yellow crystal m.p. 274-275°C. Elemental analysis: found (calculated); C: 52.11(52.94), H: 3.91(3.82), N: 8.43(8.23), S: 9.26(9.41).

3. Results and Discussion

The elemental analyses of compounds are in agreement with formula. The compounds are stable with high melting point (>270°C). They are freely soluble in water, DMF and DMSO and sparingly soluble in less polar solvent hexane, and benzene.

Semi-empirical methods are done on HYPERCHEM program version 7.5 [16] running on a windows XP workstation with a Pentium IV PC. The HOMO and LUMO of sodium (E)-acetyl(4-(4-methoxybenzylideneamino)phenylsulfonyl) amide (compound 1) and sodium (E)-acetyl(4-(2-hydroxybenzylideneamino)phenylsulfonyl) amide (Compound 2), were done by performing semi-empirical methods. Semi-empirical self-consistent-field molecular orbital (SCF-MO) method at PM3 level [17] within the restricted Hartree–Fock (RHF) [18] formalism has been considered. Geometry optimization has been carried out by using a conjugate gradient method (Polak-Ribiere algorithm) [19]. The SCF convergency is set to 0.001 kcal mol⁻¹ and the RMS gradient is set to 0.001 kcal/(Å mol) in the calculations.

3.1. Electronic spectra

The electronic spectra of compounds recorded in H_2O solution, show absorption bands at $286 \text{nm}(\varepsilon=10500 \text{ mol. Lit}^{-1}.\text{cm}^{-1})$ (compound 1) , and 324 nm ($\varepsilon=12170 \text{ mol.lit}^{-1}.\text{cm}^{-1}$) (compound 2) are assigned to imine $\pi-\pi^*[20]$. The absorption bands appearing at 263 nm (compound 1) and 269 nm (compound 2) may be tentatively attributed to $\pi-\pi^*$ of the ring.

3.2. IR spectra

The medium band at 3028-3045 cm⁻¹ are assigned to the aromatic C-H stretch, both compounds shows the aliphatic υ C-H (-CH₃ groups) at 2990 cm⁻¹ (asym.) and 2930 cm⁻¹ (sym.) as a medium-weak bands. Compound 2 show a band at 3234 cm⁻¹, attributed to υ (O-H) stretch. Both the compounds show a strong υ C=O bands in the 1680 cm⁻¹ (compound 1) and 1691 cm⁻¹ (compound 2). The υ (C=N) bands appear as a strong bands at 1630 cm⁻¹ (compound 1) and 1614 cm⁻¹ (compound 2), also both compounds show a very strong bands at 1321-1325 cm⁻¹ and 1140-1151 cm⁻¹, attributed to υ asym. SO₂ and υ sym. SO₂, respectively [21].

3.3. ¹HNMR

The ¹HNMR spectra data of compounds are given in Table 1. In the ¹HNMR spectra of compounds 1 the OCH₃ protons appears as singlet at 3.84 ppm. The O-H proton in compound 2 appears as a broad signal at 12.9 ppm. Methyl protons in both the compounds appears as a singlet signal at 1.66 ppm (Fig. 1), other aromatic proton of the compounds were observed at 7.07-7.9 ppm (comp. 1) and at 6.97-7.8 ppm (comp. 2). The azomethine proton appears as a singlet signal at 8.53 ppm (comp.1) and as a doublet at 9.0ppm (J=10.55Hz) [22], suggesting that the azomethine proton involved in the hydrogen bonded with OH group [23].

Table 1. UV-Visible, IR, and ¹NMR spectral data of compounds.

| Comp. No. | UV-Visible in $H_2O \lambda$ nm (\mathcal{C} mol.lit ⁻¹ .cm ⁻¹) | IR peaks (cm ⁻¹) | ¹ NMR chem. Shift δ(ppm) |
|--------------|--|---|--|
| 1 | 286 nm (ε =10500) 263nm(ε =7400) | $3028(w)\upsilon$ C-H aromatic $2948(m),2925(m)$, asym.sym υ C-H 1680 υ C=O $1630(s)$ υ C=N $1595(s),1581(s)$ υ C=C (ring). $1325(vs),1151(vs)$ asy.sym υ SO $_2$ respectively . | 1.66(s ,3H,CH ₃) 7.07-7.9((m , 8H ,aromatic) 8.53 (s , 1H , HC=N) |
| 2 | 324 nm (€=12170) 269 nm (€=6800) | 3234 (br.) υΟ-Η 3045(w)υ C-H aromatic 2946(m),2905(m) ,asym.sym υ C-H 1691(s) υ C=O 1614(s) υ C=N 1591(s) υC=C ring. 1321(vs),1140(vs)asy.sym υSO ₂ . | 1.66(s ,3H,CH ₃) 6.97-7.8((m , 8H ,aromatic) 9.0 (s , 1H , HC=N) 12.9(br.1H,OH) |

The balls and cylinders and some of selected structural parameters (bond length and angles) of the optimized geometries are shown in Fig. 1.

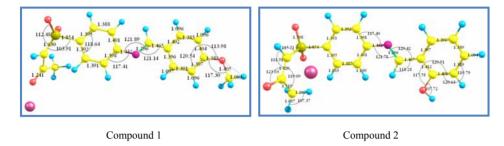


Fig. 1. The balls and cylinders and some of structural parameters, bond length (\mathring{A}) and angles $(^{\circ})$ of the studied molecules

As shown in this figure, there is no obvious trend for the variation of these parameters. The values of the bond length and angles of the optimized geometries are quite similar to the experimental results of the corresponding compounds [22, 23].

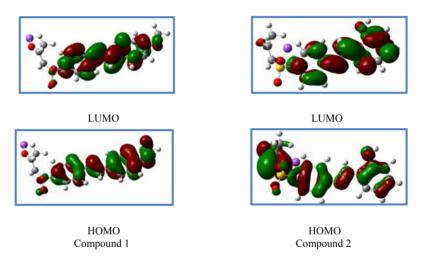


Fig. 2. The calculated 3D HOMO and LUMO of the studied molecules.

The calculated frontier bonding molecular orbitals (MO) are shown in Fig. 2. The calculated HOMO is largely localized on the *N*-benzylideneaniline fragment. The electronic character is also of interest with respect to its reactivity, especially towards nucleophilic agents. The calculated LUMO (electron acceptor orbital) of the studied molecule is seen to be substantially localized along the C–C axis of the conjugated system.

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