Synthesis and Characterization of Platinum(II) and Palladium(II) Complexes with 2,5-Dimethyl-4 -Hydroxyprimidine

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Summary: The binding of Pt(II) and Pd(II) ions to 4-amino-2,5-dimethyl-1-pyrimidine (ADMPY) has been compared with the binding of the same metal ions to 2,5-dimethyl-4-hydroxy pyrimidine (HDMPY), analogue of ADMPY in which the amino group has been replaced by a hydroxyl group. A brief comparison is made with the corresponding Pt(II) and Pd(II) complexes of thiamine and oxythiamine. In this paper we report the synthesis, elemental analyses, infrared spectra data, proton and carbon-13 nuclear magnetic resonance studies of these new complexes.

A complete assignment of ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra resonances is presented for both the ligand and the complexes. The results show that the metallation site is N-1' position of the ligand in agreement with earlier works [1-3], however, the chemical shifts observed for this ligand upon complexation are larger than the corresponding chemical shifts observed for the 4-amino-2,5-dimethyl-pyrimidine analogue contrary to the thiamine/oxythiamine system.

Introduction

Recently we reported the synthesis and characterization of Pd(II) complexes of 4-amino-2,5-dimethyl pyrimidine [1] where we claimed N-1' position of the ligand as the coordination site in agreement with the previous reports [2,3]. In another paper from our laboratory [4], we reported correlation between ligand basicity and chemical shifts upon metal coordination to thiamine and oxythiamine (structures I and II). Since then we have been curious as to whether this ligand basicity/chemical

shift correlation is unique to thiamine /oxythiamine system or it could be extended to some similar systems. A very good example of such a system could be 4-amino-2,5-dimethyl pyrimidine and 2,5-dimethyl-4-hydroxy-pyrimidine-(structure (III) and (IV)).

Experimental

Potassium tetrachloroplatinate(II), potassium tetrachloropalladate(II) and deuterated dimethyl sulfoxide were purchased from Aldrich Chemical

company and were used without further purification.

Preparation of 2-5-dimethyl-4-hydroxy-pyrimidine:

Five grams (40.60 mmol) of 4-amino-2,5-dimethyl pyrimidine were dissolved in 150 ml of 6N HCl and refluxed for ten hours. Having been evaporated to dryness, the residue was dissolved in 80 ml of water. The pH of the resulting solution was then adjusted to 5 and evaporated to dryness. The residue was extracted with chloroform, evaporation of which yielded 92% of 2,5-dimethyl-4-hydroxypyrimidine. The melting point was determined to be 175 ± 0.5°C [5].

Preparation of Pt(II) and Pd(II) Complexes:

The platinum(II) and palladium (II) complexes were prepared as described earlier [1]. Anal. Calcd. for Pt(HDMPY) $_2$ Cl $_2$.H $_2$ O, C $_{12}$ H $_{18}$ N $_4$ O $_3$ PtCl $_2$ (Mw = 532) : C, 27.07; H, 3.38; N, 10.53%. Found: C, 26.78; H, 3.06; N, 10.47%.

Anal. Calcd. for Pd(HDMPY)₂Cl₂.H₂O, $C_{12}H_{18}N_4O_3PdCl_2$ (Mw = 443.3)

C, 32.51; H, 4.06; N, 12.63%. Found: C, 32.62; H, 3.78; N, 12.61%.

Proton and carbon-13 NMR spectra were run on Varian FT-80A 20 MHz, using DMSO-d₆ as solvent TMS as internal reference standard. The infrared spectra were recorded on Perkin-Elmer IR NO 297 Spectro-photometer, employing KBr pellets with polystyrene as reference. The melting points were determined in capillaries and were uncorrected.

Results and Discussion

¹H NMR Spectra:

The proton NMR chemical shifts are given in Table 1. The assignments of the resonances are based on including offprevious studies resonance techniques [1,2,6]. Three resonances are observed for the free ligand and they were assigned as follows: a singlet at & 1.85 ppm is due to 5'-CH $_3$ while the singlet at δ 2.20 ppm is ascribed to 2'-CH₃ signal. The most downfield resonance is unequivocally C6'-H assigned to proton.

In $Pt(HDMPY)_2Cl_2$ complex, 5'-CH₃ signal hardly shifted (δ 0.02

Tab	le-1: ¹ H-NMR Chemical Shifts o Pt(II) and Pd(II) Cor	
HD	MPY Pt(HDMPY) ₂ C1 ₂	.H ₂ O Pd(HDMPY) ₂

PROTON	HDMPY	Pt(HDMPY)2C12.H2O	Pd(HDMPY)2C12.H2O
5'-CH ₃	1.85	1.87	1.89
2'-CH ₃	2.20	2.94	3.01
C6'-H	7.63	8.00	8.00

ppm). While 2'-CH $_3$ and C6'-H shifted downfield by $\delta 0.74$ and $\delta 0.37$ ppm, respectively. In Pd(HDMPY),Cl, complex, $5'-CH_3$, $2'-CH_3$ and C6'-Hprotons shifted downfield by δ 0.04, 0.81 and 6 0.37 ppm, respectively. These downfield chemical shifts in Pt(II) and Pd(II) complexes compared to the free ligand are strong indication for N-1'-metal covalent bond. These chemical shifts are comparable to those observed in Pt(II)-nucleoside complexes reported by Kong and Theophanides [7,8]. These findings are also consistent with the work of Adeyemo et al.[3,9], Adeyemo and Raval [1], Theophanides et al.[2] and some other authors [6,10]. In order to provide a sound argument for our claim that N-1' position of the ligand is the coordination site, we have considered other alternative binding sites (N-3' and/or C4'-OH). If binding were through the phenolic group, one would expect 5'-CH₂ protons to be shifted downfield by about twice as much as $2'-CH_3$ protons since $5'-CH_3$ and 2'-CH2 protons are ortho and meta, respectively to the phenolic group. It has been suggested in a paper on Pt(II)-pyridine complexes that the downfield shifts of the meta and para protons are roughly only half of that of the ortho protons [11]. Since our observation is contrary to

this hypothesis, we concluded that the phenolic group is not likely to be the coordination site. Another potential donor atom is N-3' position of HDMPY. Again, considering N-3' as the coordination site, one would expect 2'-CH2 and C4'-OH protons which are ortho to this assumed coordination site to be shifted downfield by about twice as much as 5'-CH₂ and C6'-H protons which are meta and para, respectively to N-1' position. It is interesting to observe that a downfield shift of 0.37 ppm of C6'-H proton is roughly half the downfield shift of 80.81 ppm of 2'-CH₃ protons. Along the same line of reasoning, one would expect C4'-OH signal to shift downfield by about twice as much as 5'-CH3 and C6'-H protons. Unfortunately, we could not observe C4'-OH signal. Although, 5'-CH₃ protons were observed (δ0.02 or 0.04 ppm downfield shift), this was not a strong evidence in favour of N-3' as a possible coordination site.

¹³C NMR Spectra:

The 13C NMR chemical shifts are given in Table 2. The assignments for the free ligand and its Pt(II) complexes are reported for the first time. The spectra were recorded for the ligand and its complexes in the same (DMSO-d_g) for effective solvent comparison.

CARBON	HDMPY	Pt(HDMPY)2C12-H2O	Pd(HDMPY)2C12.H2C
C4'	162.85	160.98	160.60
C2'	157.07	160.48	160.45
06'	150.48	151.46	i a
05'	121.03	123.08	122.04
2'-CH ₃	20.82	23.08	23.04
2'-CH ₃ 5'-CH ₃	12.58	12.26	12.20

Table-2: ¹³C-NMR Chemical Shifts of the Ligan and Its Pt(II) and Pd(II) Complexes.

The free ligand shows six resonances as expected. The resonance at \$162.50 ppm is assigned to C4' carbon while the signals at \$157.07 and \$150.48 ppm are attributed to C2' and C6' carbons, respectively. Other signals, C5', 2'-CH₃ and 5'-CH₃ are assigned to \$121.03, \$20.82 and \$12.58 ppm, respectively. Complexation causes downfield shift of carbons adjacent to the coordination site [12].

In Pt(HDMPY) Cl, complex, C4' shifted upfield to 6160.98 ppm, representing a shift of 61.87 ppm. Another upfield shifted resonance is 5'-CH3 (δ0.32 ppm). All other signals experienced downfield shift. The C2', C6;, C5' and 2'-CH3 carbons shifted by δ3.41,δ0.98,δ2.05 and δ2.26 ppm, respectively. The chemical shifts in Pd(HDMPY)2Cl2 complex are similar to those of $Pt(HDMPY)_2Cl_2$ except that C6' signal could not be observed. This finding is consistent with our experience in Pd(ADMPY)₂Cl₂ complex reported [1] earlier. Thus ¹³C NMR results provided additional support for the assumption that Pt(II) and Pd(II) are coordinated through N-1' position of the ligand.

Infrared Spectra:

The IR tentative assignments are given in Table 3. Although the free ligand (HDMPY) and its Pt(II) and Pd(II) complexes show many bands between 1700 and 600 cm⁻¹, we shall concentrate on those bands which are relevant to our interpretation.

The appearance of a broad band around $3500~\rm cm^{-1}$ supports the presence of water in Pt(II) and Pd(II) complexes. The non-involvement in bonding of the phenolic oxygen with metals is indicated by the non-removal of the $\nu(\text{C-OH})$ band of the ligand in the complexes [2,13,14]. This band appears at 1045, 1030 and 1020 cm⁻¹ in the ligand and at 1065, 1040 and 1025 cm⁻¹ in Pt(HDMPY)₂Cl₂ and at 1062, 1040 and 1025 cm⁻¹ in Pd(HDMPY)₂Cl₂ complexes.

Strong evidence for the involvement of the ring nitrogen in the complexes can be appreciated by considering the bands around 1600 cm⁻¹. The free ligand and its complexes show two bands in this region. At 1665 and 1610 cm⁻¹ for the ligand, at 1675 and 1625 cm⁻¹ for the Pt(II) complex and

Table-3: Infrared Spectra Data (cm⁻¹) of the Compounds.

HDMPY	Pt(HDMPY)2C12.H2O	Pd(HDMPY)2C12.H2O	Assignments
3400-3200 br	3600-3400 br	3600-3400 br	ν (HOH) +ν(OH)
-	3200-2850 br	3200-2850 br	+ v (CH)
1665s	1685s	1675s	ring stretching
-	1675s	1670s	coupling
1610s	1625sh	1625sh	
-	1575m	1583m	Skeletal C = C,
- 2	n 🚆	1558m	C = N stretching
-	-	1520m	
1490m	1490m	-	
1450m	=	-	
1435w	1430m	1430m	
1380s	1380m	1375m	
1318m	1340-1310 br	×	
1285sh	1270w	1255w	20
896	1265w		
1200w	-	= *	100
1185s	-	11 85w	
1170s	1165m	1164m	
S		1130sh	
1045sh	1065m	1062w	*
1030m	1040m	1040w	υ(C-OH) stretching
1020s	1025m	1025w	
950s	- g	-	
935s	920w	930w	
775s	775m -	980m	
764s	770m	770w	
743m	740w	700w	
594m	620m	630m	8

Abbreviations: s = strong; m = medium; w = weak; sh = shoulder

at 1673 and 1625 cm⁻¹ for the Pd(II) complex. This observation is in very good agreement with Pt(II) and Pd(II) complexes of thiamine reported earlier [2] and also consistent with the Pt(II) and Pd(II) complexes of pyridine [15]. It previously reported interesting to observe that the corresponding bands in pyridine and its Pt(II) and Pd(II) complexes occur at lower frequencies than in the pyrimidine moiety in very good agreement other independent studies [16,17].

In summary, the absence of

complex ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra eliminates the possibility of having polymeric units [18]. Three proton resonances were observed for the free ligand as well as for the Pt(II) and Pd(II) complexes. Six carbon-13 resonances were observed for the free ligand as well as in the Pt(II) complex while five resonances were observed. for the Pd(II) complex. These facts coupled with the elemental analyses strongly suggest that our complexes are simple and symmetric 2:1 (ligand : metal) complexes. The fact that 2'-CH₂ and C6'-H protons which are adjacent to the assumed coordination site (N-1') shifted downfield by about 60.80 and 60.37 ppm, respectively confirmed coordination through N-1' position of the ligand. The most downfield shifted carbon resonances are C2'(83.41 ppm), $2'-CH_{3}(2.26 \text{ ppm})$ and $C6'(\delta 0.98)$ ppm) carbons which are adjacent to the assumed coordination site also lends support to our assumption that Pt(II) and Pd(II) are coordinated through N-1' position of the ligand. Finally, the IR spectra indicate the involvement of the ring nitrogen and more specifically N-1' position through a shift to higher frequencies of the bands around 1600 cm as HDMPY

goes to Pt(II) and Pd(II) complexes. All these findings are in good agreement with earlier reports [1-18]. The Kurnakov [19] test was performed on these new complexes and this was found to be positive, establishing the fact that cis isomers are preferred to trans isomers. This finding is in very good agreement with earlier report [18].

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