NEW METAL COMPLEXES OF MONOANIONIC (3H-2-TIOXO-1,3,4-
THIADIAZOL-5-IL)-THIOACETIC ACID. X-RAY STRUCTURE OF
\([\text{Na(C}_2\text{N}_2\text{HS}_3\text{CH}_2\text{COO})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4]_2\cdot2\text{H}_2\text{O}\)

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Partial neutralization of (3H-2-tioxo-1,3,4-thiadiazol-5-yl)thioacetic acid, C2HN2S3CH2COOH (1) with one equivalent of s metal carbonates (Na, K) produced the corresponding salts: M(C2HN2S3CH2COO), M = Na (2) and K (3), which were further used in the preparation of a new Mn(II) complex (4) containing the mono-anionic ligand. The FT-IR and FT-Raman studies performed on the title compounds reveal the deprotonation of the carboxylic group and the presence of the thione tautomeric form of the heterocyclic unit in solid state. The molecular structure of 2 as hydrate, [Na(C2HN2S3CH2COO)(H2O)4]2·2H2O was determined by single-crystal X-ray diffraction. The sodium atoms of the dinuclear unit display octahedral SNaO5 coordination spheres linked through water bridges. The ligand binds to sodium through the thione sulfur, revealing a monodentate coordination behavior.

INTRODUCTION

We have recently initiated the structural investigation of new mercapto-aza type heterocyclic derivatives, including both organic compounds and corresponding metal complexes.1-5 Related molecular systems, such as dimercapto-thiadiazole, C2H2NS3 (also known as Bismuthiol I) or 1,3,5-triazine-2,4,6-trithione, C3N3S3H3 (also known as trimercaptotriazine or trithiocyanuric acid) proved excellent candidates for coordination and supramolecular chemistry in general, and crystal engineering in particular, due to their main structural attributes: flat, rigid molecular geometry and increased number of heteroatoms E and EH groups (E: O, N, S, etc.).6-12

In this respect, we have focused on the preparation of new organic derivatives by increasing and diversifying the number of heteroatoms E and EH groups on π-excessive heterocyclic systems. Thus, the extension of Bismuthiol I skeleton (Fig. 1a) with alkyl-carboxylic fragments, through one exocyclic sulfur, produced a range of three 3H-5-carboxyalkylthio-2-tioxo-1,3,4-thiadiazole derivatives, C2HN2S3(CH2)nCOOH (n = 1 – 3) (Fig. 1b) which were investigated using FT-IR and FT-Raman spectroscopy.4

Further, compound 1 was partially deprotonated to form the corresponding monosodium salt, Na(C2HN2S3CH2COO) (2) which was used as precursor in the preparation of four new d metal complexes, M(C2HN2S3CH2COO)2 (M = Co, Ni, Cu, Zn). All of these compounds have been characterized by advanced vibrational methods.5

Once we have managed to determine the molecular structure of 2 as hydrate, [Na(C2HN2S3CH2COO)(H2O)4]2·2H2O (which will be discussed later in this work) and noticed the outstanding structural features, our interest for such s metal derivatives increased beyond the limits of simple precursors. Hence, the aim of this

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work is the synthesis of new s and d metal complexes of 1 in its monoanionic form along with their structural characterization in terms of FT-IR

\[ \text{HN-S-S-H} \quad \text{(a)} \]
\[ \text{HN-S-S(\text{CH}_2)_n-COOH} \quad \text{(b)} \]

**Fig. 1 – Schematic drawing of Bismuthiol I (a) and 3H-5-carboxyalkylthio-2-tioxo-1,3,4-thiadiazole derivatives (n = 1 – 3) (b).**

**RESULTS**

One new potassium derivative and one new manganese(II) complex of mono-deprotonated (3H-2-tioxo-1,3,4-thiadiazol-5-yl)thioacetic acid (1), K(C$_2$HN$_2$S$_3$CH$_2$COO) (3) and [Mn(C$_2$HN$_2$S$_3$CH$_2$COO)$_2$] (4), have been prepared following the synthetic procedures proposed for the corresponding monosodium salt, Na(C$_2$HN$_2$S$_3$-CH$_2$COO) (2) and d metal homologues, respectively reported previously.\(^5\) The direct reaction of 1 with one equivalent of potassium bicarbonate produced compound 3 as colorless crystalline solid. Further, reaction of the monosodium (2) or mono-potassium (3) salts with the equivalent amount of manganese sulfate produced compound 4 also as colorless crystalline solid. All reactions worked in good yields (63 – 92%). All new derivatives are soluble in water. In solid state, in open atmosphere and at room temperature, they slowly loose lattice water. Single-crystals as colorless plates were grown for 2 from hot aqueous solution and subjected to single-crystal X-ray diffraction analysis.

The molecular structure of 2 as hydrate, [Na(C$_2$HN$_2$S$_3$CH$_2$COO)(H$_2$O)$_4$]$_2$H$_2$O is presented in Fig. 2 along with the atom numbering scheme. This structure is the first crystallographic proof of a (5-(3H-2-tioxo-1,3,4-thiadiazol-5yl)thioacetato derivative. All the ligands and lattice water molecules are involved in extensive intermolecular hydrogen bonding. The pattern of these interactions as well as the detailed description of the crystal structure will be given elsewhere.

The FT-IR and FT-Raman spectra of compounds 3 and 4 were recorded in the 4000 – 400 and 3500 – 200 cm\(^{-1}\) spectral range, respectively. The most relevant spectral data are listed in Table 1 along with the corresponding values obtained for compound 2.\(^5\)

**Table 1**

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DISCUSSION

The discussion of the FT-IR and FT-Raman spectra of the new compounds is based on the comparison between the experimental data recorded for 3 and 4 and the literature data published for 2 . The NH, OH, SH and CH groups are best described in the 4000 – 2000 cm$^{-1}$ spectral range. Thus, the deprotonation of the carboxylic group is suggested by the disappearance of the large and complex band (approx. 3100 - 2700 cm$^{-1}$) present in the IR spectrum of the acid (1) as well as the preservation of the $\nu$(NH) mode (3116 – 3093 cm$^{-1}$) in the same spectra of 2 - 4. The aliphatic CH groups are well represented by the characteristic bands ($\nu_{as}$ and $\nu_{s}$) assigned in the 2976 – 2893 cm$^{-1}$ region, in both IR and Raman spectra. Moreover, the large IR bands centered at 3487 – 3416 and 3394 – 3375 cm$^{-1}$ are consistent with the $\nu$(H$_2$O) fundamentals and reveal the presence of water in all compounds. As it concerns the SH group, all spectra lack the characteristic $\nu$(SH) bands, which should be assigned in the approx. 2600 – 2400 cm$^{-1}$ region; the Raman spectra are the most suggestive in this respect.

The deprotonation of the carboxylic group is also supported by the vibrational behavior of the compounds in the 2000 – 1000 cm$^{-1}$ spectral range. According to our previous discussion, the deprotonation of the COOH group gives rise to the anionic COO$^-$ group, which is expected to adopt a $C_{2v}$ symmetry and to reveal the $\nu_{as}$(COO) and $\nu_s$(COO) fundamentals. In the case of compounds 3 and 4 (as for all the homologues investigated so far) the first mode may be easily assigned at 1618 – 1587 cm$^{-1}$. As it concerns the second fundamental, again, it proved difficult to choose between the many bands crowded in the expected region (1400 – 1200 cm$^{-1}$). However, we may tentatively assign the 1310 – 1290 cm$^{-1}$ bands to $\nu_s$(COO) and/or $\nu$(CN) modes.

The 2000 – 1000 cm$^{-1}$ spectral range is also relevant for the identity of the heterocyclic unit. Thus, the most important bands for the heterocycle fall in the 1541 – 1515 and 1457 – 1443 cm$^{-1}$ range for the $\nu$(C=N) fundamental, as well as the 1117 – 1101 and 1059 – 1051 cm$^{-1}$ for the $\nu$(N-N) and $\nu_{as}$(S-C=S) modes, respectively. This interpretation is consistent with the vibrational data reported for d metal homologues and related mercapto-thiadiazoles (i.e. 1510 –1506 and 1452 -1450 cm$^{-1}$ for Bismuthiol I). The 1000 – 200 cm$^{-1}$ spectral range shows no unusual features. The bands located in this region were assigned to group bending and other skeleton vibrational modes.

It can be concluded that the deprotonation of the acid takes place at the carboxylic group to generate the carboxylato mono-anion. In addition, the remaining proton is located at a nitrogen atom, which gives option to the thione tautomer form of the heterocyclic unit. These conclusions are in good agreement with the structural data determined for 2 by single-crystal X-ray diffraction.

The structure of 2 consists of discrete dinuclear molecules accompanied by two lattice water molecules each. The two metal centers lay in a slightly distorted octahedral environment described by five oxygen atoms and the S(1) thione sulfur atom of the (3H-2-tioxo-1,3,4-thiadiazol-5yl)thioacetato ligand. The proposed coordination geometry is supported by the values of the bond angles centered on sodium [82.98(9) - 99.63(9)$^\circ$].
The two metal centers are connected through two water bridges and describe all together an almost square four-membered inorganic ring, \( \text{Na}_2\text{O}_2 \) \( [\text{O}(3)-\text{Na}(1)-\text{O}(3') \ 87.24(8)^\circ , \ \text{Na}(1)-\text{O}(3)-\text{Na}(1') \ 92.76(8)^\circ ] \). The structural aspects described above favor compare those found for similar monosodium complexes of mercapto-aza type heterocyclic derivatives (i.e. \( \text{C}_6\text{H}_2\text{N}_2\text{S}_3\text{Na}_3\text{H}_2\text{O} \)).

The \( (3\text{H}-2\text{-tioxo-1,3,4-thiadiazol-5yl})\text{thioacetato} \) ligand shows an un-coordinated and strongly delocalized \( \text{COO}^- \) unit [C-O 1.248(3) - 1.250(3) Å]. The structure of the heterocyclic unit is consistent with the proposed thione tautomeric form. Thus, the C(1)-S(1) bond length of the thione group [1.667(3) Å] suggests the double character [cf. \( \text{Me}_3\text{Sn(PhN}_2\text{C}_2\text{S}_3) \), \( \text{C}_3\text{H}_2\text{N}_3\text{S}_3\text{Na} \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O} \)].

**EXPERIMENTAL**

Complete physico-chemical and spectroscopic description of the title compounds will be given elsewhere. **Crystallography:** Crystallographic data for \([\text{Na(C}_2\text{N}_2\text{HS}_3\text{CH}_2\text{COO})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O} (2)\) are summarized in Table 2. The single-crystal X-ray diffraction analysis was performed on a Bruker SMART APEX system (Babes-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca, Romania) using graphite-monochromated Mo-Kα radiation (\( \lambda = 0.71073 \) Å). The structure was solved by direct method and refined using SHELX-97. Non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically without exception. Hydrogens were included at calculated positions throughout. An absorption correction (multiscan) was applied. Drawings were created with the MERCURY graphic visualization software.

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