

**SYNTHESIS, CHARACTERIZATIONS AND BIOLOGICAL  
PROPERTIES OF SOME HYDRAZONES AND THEIR METAL  
COMPLEXES**

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## ABSTRACT

The aim of the project as presented in this thesis concerns on the preparation, characterization and biological evaluation of Schiff bases derived from 3, 5-dihydroxybenzohydrazide and their Cu(II) and Zn(II) complexes. The Schiff bases were synthesized by the condensation of 3, 5-dihydroxybenzohydrazide and hydroxyacetophenone (BzyHAP-H), 5-bromo hydroxyacetophenone (BzyHAP-Br), 5-chloro hydroxyacetophenone (BzyHAP-Cl), salicylaldehyde (BzySAL-H), 5-bromo salicylaldehyde (BzySAL-Br), and 5-chloro salicylaldehyde (BzySAL-Cl). The BzyHAP series ligands were subsequently reacted with the acetate of Zn(II) whereas the BzySAL series ligands were reacted with Cu(II) and Zn(II) acetate in a 1:2 metal to ligand ratio. The chemical structures of the compounds were characterized by means of elemental analyses, , and spectroscopy methods including IR,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR,  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR, and UV-Vis. The determination of metal content was carried out using atomic absorption spectroscopy. Single X-ray diffraction data collection is carried out for ligand BzySAL-Br. From the structural analysis, the ligand is found to be planar with an r.m.s. deviation for the non-H atoms of 0.16 $\text{\AA}$ . In the crystal structure, the Schiff base molecules and the water molecules are linked together by intermolecular N-H--O and O-H--O hydrogen bonds, leading to layers parallel to the *bc* plane. An intramolecular O-H--N hydrogen bond involving the imine N atom and a hydroxyl substituent is also observed. The synthesized Schiff base and their metal complexes are screened for the *in vitro* cytotoxicity towards prostate cancer cell line (PC-3), colon cancer cell line (HT-29) lung cancer cell line (A549), and normal cell line (WRL-68). All Zn (II) complex Schiff bases show relatively low cytotoxicity against all tested cell line. Complexes labeled as CuBzySAL-H, CuBzySAL-Br, and CuBzySAL-Cl show encouraging value of EC<sub>50</sub> against colon cancer cell line (HT-29), lung cancer cell line (A549), and normal cell line (WRL-68). On contrary, the cytotoxicity against prostate

cancer cell line (PC-3) is recorded negative. The evaluation of antioxidant reveals that all compounds are moderate DPPH inhibitor compared to the standard vitamin C.

## ABSTRAK

Seperti yang dibentangkan di dalam tesis ini, projek yang dijalankan adalah berkenaan penyediaan, pencirian dan penilaian aktiviti biologi bagi bes Schiff yang diterbitkan daripada 3,5-dihidroksibenzohidrazida dan kompleks Cu(II) dan Zn(II)nya. Bes Schiff berkenaan telah disintesis melalui proses kondensasi sebatian 3,5-dihidroksibenzohidrazida dengan hidroksiasetofenon, 5-bromohidroksiasetofenon, 5-klorohidroksiasetofenon, salisilaldehid, 5-bromosalisilaldehid, dan 5-klorosalisilaldehid. Ligan-ligan ini kemudiannya ditindakbalaskan dengan asetat bagi logam Cu(II) dan Zn(II) dalam nisbah 1:2 metal kepada ligan. Struktur kimia sebatian ini kemudiannya dicirikan dengan analisis unsur dan kaedah spektroskopi termasuklah IR,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR,  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR, and UV-Vis. Penentuan kandungan logam ditentukan dengan kaedah spektroskopi penyerapan atom. Analisis kristalografi dijalankan bagi ligan BzySAL-Br.

Analisis struktural, mendapati bahawa ligan adalah planar dengan nilai sisihan r.m.s. bagi atom bukan hidrogen adalah  $0.16\text{\AA}$ . Dalam struktur ligan berkenaan, didapati bahawa ia terhubung dengan molekul air melalui ikatan hidrogen N-H--O dan O-H--O menghasilkan lapisan yang selari dengan satah *bc*. Turut terlibat ialah ikatan hidrogen intramolekul antara atom nitrogen kumpulan imina dan kumpulan penukarganti hidroksi. Kemudiannya, bes Schiff dan kompleks logamnya disaring untuk sitotoksiti secara *in vitro* terhadap sel kanser prostat (PC-3), sel kanser kolon (HT-29), sel kanser paru-paru (A549), dan sel normal (WRL-68). Kesemua kompleks Zn(II) menunjukkan keisotoksan yang rendah secara relatif terhadap semua sel yang diuji. Kompleks Cu(II) berlabel CuBzySAL-H, CuBzySAL-Br, and CuBzySAL-Cl pula menunjukkan nilai EC<sub>50</sub> yang menggalakkan terhadap sel kanser kolon (HT-29), sel kanser paru-paru (A549), dan sel normal (WRL-68). Sebaliknya, sitotoksiti terhadap sel kanser prostat (PC-3) adalah

negatif. Penyaringan terhadap sifat antiokksida menunjukkan semua sebatian merupakan perencat DPPH yang sederhana berbanding vitamin C sebagai standard.

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## ABBREVIATIONS

%	Percent
$\pi$	Pi
$\lambda$	Wavelength
$\delta$	Chemical shift
$\nu$	Stretching vibration
$\text{\AA}$	Angstrom
$^{13}\text{C}$ NMR	Carbon nuclear magnetic resonance
$^1\text{H}$ NMR	Proton nuclear magnetic resonance
AAS	Atomic absorption spectroscopy
Abs	Absorbance
BHT	Butylated hydroxytoluene
Cu	Copper
DMSO	Dimethyl sulphoxide
DPPH	2,2-diphenyl-1-picrylhydrazyl
EC <sub>50</sub>	Half maximal effective concentration
EtOH	Ethanol
FRAP	Ferric reducing ability of plasma
IR	Infra-red
M	Mole per litre
m	Multiplet
MTT	3-(4,5-dimethylthiazol-2-yl)-2,5-diphenyltetrazolium bromide
s	singlet
U <sub>eq</sub>	Equivalent isotropic displacement parameter
UV-Vis	Ultraviolet-visible
Zn	Zinc