RESEARCH ARTICLE



Dioxomolybdenum(VI) Complexes of ONN-Chelating Thiosemicarbazones: Crystallographic and Spectroscopic (UV, IR and NMR) Studies

Songül Eğlence-Bakır^a*

^aDepartment of Chemistry, Faculty of Science, Istanbul University, 34134, Istanbul, Turkey

Abstract: Four new *cis*-dioxomolybdenum(VI) complexes of the closed formula [MoO₂(L)CH₃OH] have been obtained by the condensation of bis(acetylacetonato)dioxomolybdenum(VI) with S-allyl/propyl thiosemicarbazones in methanol. The compounds were identified with elemental analysis, and molecular characterization by UV-Vis, FT-IR, ¹H-NMR and ¹³C-NMR spectroscopies. Also, crystal structures of **1** and **2** were resolved by X-ray diffraction analysis. The single crystal studies indicated a distorted octahedral geometry for complexes. It was noticed that **1** crystallized in the monoclinic P2₁/c space group with Z=4, while **2** crystallized in tricilinic P-1 space group with Z=2. The O=Mo=O angles of 105.68(8)° (for **1**) and 105.96(7)° (for **2**) indicated the *cis*-dioxomolybdenum structure. The spectroscopic and crystallographic studies show that the thiosemicarbazone ligands are bound to *cis*-MoO₂²⁺ moiety as ONN tridentate agent and the 6th coordinated position of the molybdenum is located by the methanol molecule.

Keywords: Thiosemicarbazone; dioxomolybdenum(VI) complex; X-ray crystallography; spectroscopic studies; structural analysis.

Submitted: September 01, 2021. Accepted: November 13, 2021.

Cite this: Eğlence-Bakır S. Dioxomolybdenum(VI) Complexes of ONN-Chelating Thiosemicarbazones: Crystallographic and Spectroscopic (UV, IR and NMR) Studies. JOTCSA. 2021;8(4):1275–300.

DOI: <u>https://doi.org/10.18596/jotcsa.989318</u>.

*Corresponding author. E-mail: songul@istanbul.edu.tr.

INTRODUCTION

Thiosemicarbazones, obtained through the condensation reaction of thiosemicarbazides with an an aldehyde or a ketone, are one of the main subgroups of hydrazones (1, 2). After their activities on living systems was discovered in 1950s, investigators have exhibited an increased attention in thiosemicarbazones and their metal complexes (3). Thiosemicarbazone-metal complexes are an important group of compounds with numerous biological activities (4-13). Thiosemicarbazones can behave as monodentate (14, 15), bidentate (16, 17),

tridentate (18-20), or multidentate (21, 22) ligands. Common metal complexes of thiosemicarbazones have tridentate ONS or ONN functions. In both forms, the oxygen atom of an arylidene moiety and the azomethine nitrogen coordinate to the metal ion. Also, the sulfur atom or the thioamide nitrogen coordinate to metal center for ONS- or ONN-coordinated complexes, respectively (12, 18).

Molybdenum is a special cofactor for molybdoenzymes such as sulfite oxidase and xanthine oxidase (23). These molybdoenzymes have oxo-groups and the molybdenum ion has

an oxidation state of (VI) or (IV) during the (24). reaction cycle The solvate dioxomolybdenum(VI) complexes of thiosemicarbazones can behave as catalysts. It is because the solvent molecule may be relocated with the activated enzyme molecule. Several chelates containing *cis*-MoO₂²⁺ moiety have been obtained for explain the structure of molybdoenzymes and oxygen atom transfer (OAT) reactions (25). As mentioned above, molybdenum complexes are used as models in many biological activity studies, primarily in enzyme systems. In order to study in detail how the activity changes with the structure, it becomes important to systematically synthesize and characterize compounds with different groups on both the aromatic ring, the amide or sulfur atoms and different solvents coordinated to the sixth site of the molybdenum. In early studies, solvated mononuclear the dioxomolybdenum(VI) complexes of thiosemicarbazones containing pyridine (26), acetonitrile (27), methanol (18), ethanol (25), y-picoline (28), dimethylsulfoxide (29) as solvents have been reported.

RESEARCH ARTICLE

The current study was focused on obtain and the ONN-coordinated characterize dioxomolybdenum(VI) complexes of S-allyl/propylthiosemicarbazones. For this purpose, different substitutions have been studied on the aromatic ring, amide nitrogen, and the sulfur atom (Figure 1). The results of characterization ligands and by elemental complexes were determined analysis, UV-Vis, IR, ¹H-NMR and ¹³C-NMR spectroscopies.

cis-dioxo-(S-allyl-N1-2-The structures of hydroxy-4-methoxybenzylidene-(O,N,N')-methanolthiosemicarbazonato) molybdenum(VI) (1) and cis-dioxo-(S-allyl-N¹-2-hydroxy-5-chlorobenzylidene-N⁴-ethyl (O,N,N')-methanolthiosemicarbazonato) molybdenum(VI) (2) were also determined by X-ray diffraction analysis. Effects of different substitutions on structures were compared using the crystallographic and spectroscopic studies.



EXPERIMENTAL

Materials and Physical Measurements

Thermo-Finnigan Flash EA Series 1112 Elementary Analyzer was used for record elemental analyses. UV-Vis spectra of the and thiosemicarbazones complexes were performed in chloroform, $3x10^{-5}$ M, with a Shimadzu 2600 UV-Vis spectrophotometer. The infrared spectra of the compounds were obtained on a Bruker Alpha II compact Fourier Transform Infrared (FTIR) spectrometer in range of 4000 to 400 cm⁻¹. Varian VNMRJ 600 Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR)

spectrometer was used for the measurements of ¹H-NMR and ¹³C-NMR using CDCl₃ as solvent. The X-ray intensity data were recorded on a Bruker APEX-II CCD imaging plate area detector with graphite monochromatic Mo-K a radiation $(\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ Å}).$

Synthesis of Thiosemicarbazones

The thiosemicarbazones were obtained for the first time with very minor modifications from known procedures (18, 30). The synthesis method was explained as follows by the 2hydroxy-4-methoxybenzylidene-S-

allylthiosemicarbazone (L¹) as representative

gram example. 0.5 (5 millimoles) of thiosemicarbazide and 0.47 milliliter (5 millimoles) of allyl bromide were mixed up in 15 milliliters of ethanol at about 75 °C. The reaction formation was controlled bv chromatography. After two hours, the four milliliters of alcoholic solution of 2-hydroxy-4methoxybenzaldehyde (0.83 gram, 5 millimol) was added dropwise to colourless mix. An aqueous solution of sodium bicarbonate was added for neutralization of the hydrogen bromide form. The yellow-colored product precipitated from the reaction medium was filtered, washed first with a few drops of ethanol, and then water. The obtained product was recrystallized from ethanol after drying. Other thiosemicarbazones were obtained by using N-methylthiosemicarbazide (L³), Nethylthiosemicarbazide (L², L⁴), bromopropane (L³, L⁴) and 5-chlorosalicylaldehyde (L²) with the same procedure. The colors, melting points (°C), % yields, elemental analysis, UV-Vis, IR, ¹H-NMR and ¹³C-NMR data of the ligands are given below:

L¹: Yellow, m.p. 186.2-187.4 °C, yield 75 %. Anal. Calc. for C₁₂H₁₅N₃O₂S (265.33 g/mol): C, 54.32; H, 5.70; N, 15.84; S, 12.08. Found: C, 54.15; H, 5.52; N, 15.69; S, 12.23 %. UV-Vis (nm (log ε)): 240 (3.40); 295 (3.36); 305 (3.45); 338 (3.66) (Fig.S1). IR (cm⁻¹): v(OH) 3350; vas(NH2) 3414; vs(NH2) 3302; v(CH)aliphatic 2960, 2834; v(C-O) 1160; v(C-N) 993; v(C-S) 836; υ(C=N¹) 1627; υ(C=N²) 1602 (Fig.S5). ¹H-NMR (ppm): 11.75, 11.59 (s, i:1/1, 1H, -OH); 8.37, 8.23 (s, i:2/1, 1H, CH=N¹); 7.13 (m, 1H, *d*); 6.47 (m, 2H, *a*, *c*); 5.08 (s, 2H, N⁴*H*₂); 3.79 (s, 3H, -OCH₃); 3.71, 3.60 (d, 2H, S-C¹H₂-); 5.98 (m, 1H, -C²H=); 5.29, 5.15 (d, 2H, =C³H₂) (Fig.S13). ¹³C-NMR (ppm): 165.35 (=*C*N-S); 163.40 (-CH=N), 160.76, 158.05, 135.35, 114.66, 109.46, 103.75 (aromatics); 58.20 (-OCH₃); 36.01 (S-CH₂-); 136.21 (-CH=); 120.95 (=*C*H₂) (Fig.S21).

L²: Yellow, m.p. 101.2-102.4 °C, yield 62 %. Anal. Calc. for $C_{13}H_{16}CIN_3OS$ (297.80 g/mol): C, 52.43; H, 5.42; N, 14.11; S, 10.77. Found: C, 52.25; H, 5.52; N, 14.26; S, 10.63 %. UV-Vis (nm (log ϵ)): 240 (3.83); 294 (3.80); 305 (3.89); 336 (4.10) (Fig.S2). IR (cm⁻¹): v(OH) 3407; v(NH) 3394; v(CH)*aliphatic* 2970, 2885; v(C-O) 1186; v(C-N) 935; v(C-S) 861; v(C=N¹) 1629; v(C=N²) 1600 (Fig.S7). ¹H-NMR (ppm): 11.77, 11.41 (s, i:3/1, 1H, -OH); 8.31, 8.29 (s, i:1/3, 1H, CH=N¹); 7.17 (m, 2H, *b*, *d*); 6.90 (m, 2H, *a*); 5.45, 4.67 (t, i:1/2, 1H, N⁴H); 3.42, 3.32 (m, i:3/1, 2H, N⁴-CH₂); 1.21 (t, 3H, -CH₃); 3.76, 3.54 (d, 2H, S-C¹H₂-); 5.95 (m, 1H, - $C^{2}H=$); 5.36, 5.27 (d, 2H, $=C^{3}H_{2}$) (Fig.S15). ¹³C-NMR (ppm): 164.26 (=CN-S); 159.87 (- CH=N), 156.04, 132.91, 132.95, 126.24, 122.74, 121.56 (aromatics); 36.41 (S- CH_{2} -); 136.75 (-CH=); 120.57 (= CH_{2}); 41.26 (N- CH_{2} -); 17.04 (- CH_{3}) (Fig.S23).

L³: Yellow, m.p. 185.5-186.2 °C, yield 87 %. Anal. Calc. for C₁₃H₁₉N₃O₂S (281.37 g/mol): C, 55.49; H, 6.81; N, 14.93; S, 11.40. Found: C, 55.25; H, 6.72; N, 14.79; S, 11.23 %. UV-Vis (nm (log ε)): 240 (4.03); 294 (4.02); 305 (5.08); 337 (4.33) (Fig.S3). IR (cm⁻¹): υ(OH) 3310; v(NH) 3396; v(CH)_{aliphatic} 2961, 2842; υ(C-O) 1163; υ(C-N) 974; υ(C-S) 859; υ(C=N¹) 1627; υ(C=N²) 1599 (Fig.S9). ¹H-NMR (ppm): 12.12, 11.64 (s, i:3/1, 1H, -OH); 8.33, 8.31 (s, i:2/1, 1H, CH=N¹); 7.11 (m, 1H, d); 6.45 (m, 2H, a, c); 5.43, 4.47 (q, i:1/2, 1H, N⁴H); 3.78 (s, 3H, -OCH₃); 2.99, 2.93 (d, i:3/1, 3H, N⁴-CH₃); 3.04, 2.79 (t, 2H, S-C¹H₂-); 1.70 (m, 2H, -C²H₂); 1.01 (t, 3H, -C³H₃) (Fig.S17). ¹³C-NMR (ppm): 164.65 (=*C*N-S); 163.29 (-*C*H=N), 158.96, 157.51, 134.48, 115.22, 108.92, 103.86 (aromatics); 58.04 (-O*C*H₃); 33.26 (S-CH₂-); 25.39 (-CH₂-); 16.18 (-CH₃); 35.08 (N-CH₃) (Fig.S25).

L⁴: Yellow, m.p. 174.8-175.4 °C, yield 79 %. Anal. Calc. for C₁₄H₂₁N₃O₂S (295.40 g/mol): C, 56.92; H, 7.17; N, 14.22; S, 10.85. Found: C, 56.85; H, 7.32; N, 14.16; S, 10.53 %. UV-Vis (nm (log ε)): 243 (4.16); 296 (4.23); 308 (4.25); 345 (4.27) (Fig.S4). IR (cm⁻¹): υ(OH) 3457; v(NH) 32390; v(CH)_{aliphatic} 2932, 2838; υ(C-O) 1187; υ(C-N) 959; υ(C-S) 854; υ(C=N¹) 1627; v(C=N²) 1603 (Fig.S11). ¹H-NMR (ppm): 12.12, 11.69 (s, i:2/1, 1H, -OH); 8.33, 8.32 (s, i:1/2, 1H, CH=N¹); 7.12 (m, 1H, d); 6.46 (m, 2H, a, c); 5.40, 4.25 (t, i:1/2, 1H, N⁴H); 3.80 (s, 3H, -OCH₃); 3.45, 3.32 (m, i:2/1, 2H, N⁴-CH₂); 1.25, 1.21 (t, i:2/1, 3H, -CH₃); 3.05, 2.81 (t, 2H, S-C¹H₂-); 1.72 (m, 2H, -C²H₂); 1.03 (t, 3H, -C³H₃) (Fig.S19). ¹³C-NMR (ppm): 164.59 (=*C*N-S); 163.28 (-*C*H=N), 158.86, 157.39, 134.47, 115.22, 108.98, 103.94 (aromatics); 58.04 (-*O*CH₃); 35.18 (S-*C*H₂-); 25.51 (-CH₂-); 16.10 (-CH₃); 41.12 (N-CH₂-); 17.30 (-CH₃) (Fig.S27).

Synthesis of Complexes

The new complexes were prepared using literature method with small modifications (25, 26) (Figure 1). The synthesis procedure of complexes is the same as for complex **1**, which is given as an example and has the IUPAC name *cis*-dioxo-(S-allyl-N¹-2-hydroxy-4-methoxybenzylidene thiosemicarbazonato) (N,N',O)-methanol-molybdenum(VI). 0.26 gram

gram of N¹-2-hydroxy-4-(1 millimole) methoxybenzylidene thiosemicarbazone was dissolved in 3 milliliters of methanol with 0.32 gram (1 heating. millimole) of bis(acetylacetonato)dioxomolybdenum(VI) was dissolved in 2 milliliters of methanol and added dropwise to the reaction medium. The mixture was blended at about 45 °C for one and a half hours. The red product was filtered and washed with a few drops of methanol. The product was recrystallized in methanol and obtained pure for use in characterization. The colors, melting points (°C), % yields, elemental analysis, UV-Vis, IR, ¹H-NMR and ¹³C-NMR data of the complexes are given below:

1: Red, m.p. 215.8-216.4 °C, yield 47 %. Anal. Calc. for C₁₃H₁₇MoN₃O₅S (423.29 g/mol): C, 36.89; H, 4.05; N, 9.93; S, 7.58. Found: C, 36.99; H, 3.91; N, 9.77; S, 7.70 %. UV-Vis (nm (log ε)): 254 (4.35); 302 (4.35); 420 (3.84) (Fig.S1). IR (cm⁻¹): v(OH) 3376; v(NH) 3228; υ(CH)_{aliphatic} 2984, 2843; υ(C-O) 1187; υ(C-N) 1013; v(C-S) 846; v(C=N¹) 1540; v(C=N²) 1498; v_s, v_{as}(MoO₂) 929, 901 (Fig.S6). ¹H-NMR (ppm): 8.73 (s, 1H, CH=N¹); 7.43 (d, 1H, d); 6.71 (dd, 1H, c); 6.65 (d, 1H, a); 6.90 (s, 1H, N⁴*H*); 3.86 (s, 3H, -OC*H*₃); 3.77 (d, 2H, S-C¹H₂-); 5.98 (m, 1H, -C²H=); 5.33, 5.20 (d, 2H, =C³H₂); 3.48 (s, 3H, O-CH₃) (Fig.S14). ¹³C-NMR (ppm): 171.35 (=CN-S); 168.90 (-CH=N), 165.44, 158.84, 135.42, 115.55, 114.42, 105.55 (aromatics); 58.52 (-OCH₃); 37.68 (S-CH₂-); 136.84 (-CH=); 121.62 (=CH₂); 56.15 (OH-CH₃) (Fig.S22).

2: Red, m.p. 115.7-116.4 °C, yield 35 %. Anal. Calc. for C₁₄H₁₈ClMoN₃O₄S (455.76 g/mol): C, 36.89; H, 3.98; N, 9.22; S, 7.04. Found: C, 36.72; H, 3.80; N, 9.37; S, 7.17 %. UV-Vis (nm (log ε)): 252 (4.34); 302 (4.34); 420 (3.84) (Fig.S2). IR (cm⁻¹): v(OH) 3394; v(CH)_{aliphatic} 2962, 2815; v(C-O) 1164; v(C-N) 1018; v(C-S) 833; $v(C=N^1)$ 1597; $v(C=N^2)$ 1566; v_s , $\upsilon_{as}(MoO_2)$ 909, 882 (Fig.S8). $^1H\text{-}NMR$ (ppm): 8.64 (s, 1H, CH=N¹); 7.45 (m, 2H, b, d); 7.06 (m, 1H, a); 3.84 (m, 2H, N⁴-CH₂); 1.32 (t, 3H, -CH₃); 3.84 (m, 2H, S-C¹H₂-); 5.98 (m, 1H, -C²H=); 5.33, 5.20 (d, 2H, =C³H₂); 3.47 (s, 3H, O-CH₃) (Fig.S16). ¹³C-NMR (ppm): 175.24 (=CN-S); 161.37 (-CH=N), 156.26, 135.39, 133.88, 129.63, 123.28, 123.20 (aromatics); (S-CH₂-); 137.35 (-CH=); 121.69 37.51 (=CH₂); 51.76 (N-CH₂-); 17.80 (-CH₃); 57.05 (OH-CH₃) (Fig.S24).

3: Red, m.p. 200.1-200.8 °C, yield 80 %. Anal. Calc. for $C_{14}H_{21}MoN_3O_5S$ (439.34 g/mol): C, 38.27; H, 4.82; N, 9.56; S, 7.30. Found: C,

38.41; H, 4.91; N, 9.73; S, 7.45 %. UV-Vis (nm (log ε)): 254 (4.32); 303 (4.33); 420 (3.78) (Fig.S3). IR (cm⁻¹): v(OH) 3325; v(CH)_{aliphatic} 2961, 2869; v(C-O) 1152; v(C-N) 1022; v(C-S) 848: $v(C=N^1)$ 1582; $v(C=N^2)$ 1539; Us, v_{as}(MoO₂) 930, 904 (Fig.S10). ¹H-NMR (ppm): 8.64 (s, 1H, CH=N¹); 7.37 (d, 1H, d); 6.66 (dd, 1H, c); 6.60 (d, 1H, a); 3.85 (s, 3H, -OCH₃); 3.52 (s, 3H, N⁴-CH₃); 3.11 (t, 2H, S-C¹H₂-); 1.77 (m, 2H, -C²H₂); 1.04 (t, 3H, -C³H₃); 3.48 (d, 3H, O-CH₃) (Fig.S18). ¹³C-NMR (ppm): 174.20 (=*C*N-S); 168.79 (-*C*H=N), 164.89, 157.71, 136.45, 115.48, 113.89, 105.22 (aromatics); 58.55 (-OCH₃); 36.73 (S-CH₂-); 25.19 (-CH₂-); 16.18 (-CH₃); 48.92 (N-CH₃); 53.56 (OH-CH₃) (Fig.S26).

4: Red, m.p. 150.4-151.2 °C, yield 56 %. Anal. Calc. for C₁₅H₂₃MoN₃O₅S (453.36 g/mol): C, 39.74; H, 5.11; N, 9.27 S, 7.07. Found: C, 39.59; H, 5.31; N, 8.48; S, 7.24 %. UV-Vis (nm $(\log \epsilon)$): 252 (4.29); 303 (4.30); 422 (3.76) (Fig.S4). IR (cm⁻¹): v(OH) 3312; v(CH)_{aliphatic} 2967, 2872; v(C-O) 1175; v(C-N) 1023; v(C-S) υ(C=N¹) 1576; υ(C=N²) 1531; 858; υs, v_{as}(MoO₂) 933, 907 (Fig.S12). ¹H-NMR (ppm): 8.64 (s, 1H, CH=N¹); 7.37 (d, 1H, d); 6.66 (dd, 1H, c); 6.62 (d, 1H, a); 3.85 (s, 3H, -OCH₃); 3.82 (q, 2H, N⁴-CH₂); 1.31 (t, 3H, -CH₃); 3.12 (t, 2H, S-C¹H₂-); 1.77 (m, 2H, -C²H₂); 1.04 (t, 3H, -C³H₃); 3.47 (d, 3H, O-CH₃) (Fig.S20). ¹³C-NMR (ppm): 173.02 (=*C*N-S); 168.86 (-*C*H=N), 164.97, 157.66, 136.40, 115.51, 113.81, 105.32 (aromatics); 58.47 (-OCH₃); 36.68 (S-CH₂-); 25.24 (-CH₂-); 16.14 (-CH₃); 53.51 (N-CH₂-); 17.57 (-CH₃); 56.66 (OH-CH₃) (Fig.S28).

X-ray Crystallography

The suitable crystals of **1** and **2** were obtained by slow evaporation of methanolic solutions. Red crystals of 1 (C₁₃H₁₇MoN₃O₅S) and 2 $(C_{14}H_{18}CIMON_{3}O_{4}S)$ having dimensions of 0.243×0.11×0.057 mm³ and 0.156× 0.097×0.049 mm³ respectively were mounted on a glass fiber. The measurements were made on a Bruker APEX-II CCD imaging plate area detector with graphite monochromatic Mo-K a radiation (λ = 0.71073 Å). The conditions of experimental details were summed up in Table 1. The crystal structures were solved and refined with SHELXTL (31). Other atoms except hydrogen were refined anisotropically. The structures were drawn with ORTEP-III program with 50% probability displacement ellipsoids (32).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Some Characteristics of the Compounds

The color of thiosemicarbazones is yellow. They can easily dissolve in common solvents like pyridine, dimethylformamide, dimethyl sulfoxide, and alcohols. The reaction of the thiosemicarbazones with bis(acetylacetonato)dioxomolybdenum(VI) in methanol gave diamagnetic [MoO₂(L)CH₃OH] These dioxomolybdenum(VI) complexes. complexes are dissolve in chloroform, dichloromethane, dimethyl sulfoxide and alcohols. They are stable in the air but lose their shine after a few months. They decompose and turn into black amorphous substances, when stirred for several hours at about 50-60 °C in solution.

The S-alkyl thiosemicarbazones were obtained in higher yields than dioxomolybdenum(VI) complexes. The 5-chloro derivative compounds (L^2 and 2) were obtained with the lowest yield (62 and 35 %) and melting point (101.2 and 115.7 °C) in its group. In addition, the melting point of the complexes was higher than the corresponding ligands except L^4 and 4.

Crystallographic Studies

The crystals of **1** $[MoO_2L^1CH_3OH]$ and **2** $[MoO_2L^2CH_3OH]$ were obtained by slow evaporation of methanolic solutions. To confirm the certain structure of the dioxomolybdenum(VI) complexes, X-ray

crystallographic analysis have been carried out for 1 and 2. The ORTEP diagrams with the atoms labeled were presented in Figures 2 and 3, while the network formation and molecular packing arrangement are given in Figures 4 and 5. The parameters of refinement and some details of crystallographic data were summed up in Table 1. The molybdenum centered bond lengths and angles were given in Table 2. Also, Table 3 shows the intermolecular H-bond interactions. Complex 1, (0.243×0.11×0.057 mm³) crystallized in the monoclinic $P2_1/c$ space group with Z=4, while 2 (0.156×0.097×0.049 mm³) crystallized within triclinic crystal system with P-1 space group (Z=2). The angular values of O(2)-Mo(1)1-O(3) (for **1**) and O(1)-Mo-O(4) (for 2) were 105.68 and 105.97 respectively, showing the *cis*- character of MoO_2^{2+} (33, 34). Considering the bonds and angles, it can be said that the geometric parameters of complexes are within the expected ranges when compared with similar *cis*-dioxomolybdenum centered complexes of thiosemicarbazones (18, 33). As results, the single crystal diffraction studies of dioxomolybdenum(VI) complexes revealed a distorted octahedral geometry. Accordingly, the thiosemicarbazones behaved as ONN tridentate by binding to cis-MoO₂²⁺ with the oxygen atom of aromatic moiety, the nitrogen atom of $CH=N^1$ and the thioamide group. Methanol molecule which reactions were carried out behaved as coligand and it occupied the sixth coordination site of molybdenum center (35).



thiosemicarbazonato) (O,N,N')-methanolmolybdenum(VI) (1)

Figure 2: ORTEP view of cis-dioxo-(S-allyl-N1-2-
hydroxy-4-methoxybenzylidene-Figure 3: ORTEP view of cis-dioxo-(S-allyl-N1-2-
hydroxy-5-chlorobenzylidene-N4-ethyl thiosemicarbazonato) (O,N,N')-methanolmolybdenum(VI) (2)



Figure 4: The packing diagram and hydrogen bonding network of complex 1.



Figure 5: The packing diagram and hydrogen bonding network of complex 2.

Parameters	1	2	
CCDC deposition no.	2104647	2104646	
Chemical formula	$C_{13}H_{17}MoN_3O_5S$	$C_{14}H_{18}CIMoN_3O_4S$	
Formula weight (g.mol ⁻¹)	423.29	455.76	
Temperature (K)	173.01	173.01	
Wavelength (Å)	0.71073	0.71073	
Crystal system			
	F21/C	F-1	
Unit cell parameters			
a, b, c (Å)	13.577(6), 17.124(8), 7.528(3)	8.7870(7), 10.7115(9), 10.8189(9)	
α, β, γ(°)	90.000, 101.738(6), 90.000	100.1090(10), 105.6400(10), 108.7600(10)	
Volume (Å ³)	1713.6(13)	889.27(13)	
Z	4	2	
D _{calc} (g.cm ⁻³)	1.641	1.702	
Absorption correction	multi-scan	multi-scan	
F(000)	856.0	460.0	
Crystal size (mm ³)	$0.243 \times 0.111 \times 0.057$	$0.156 \times 0.097 \times 0.049$	
Diffractometer/measurement			
method	-17<=h<=17	-11 < h < 11	
Index ranges h,k,l	-22<=k<=22,	$-13 \le k \le 13$,	
5 7 1	-9<=1<=9	-14 ≤ I ≤ 14	
20 Range for data collection (°)	3.064 < 20 < 54.966	4.082 < 2θ < 54.95	
Reflections collected	23095	13504	
Independent reflections	$\begin{array}{rcl} & 3916 \\ [R_{int} &= & 0.0452, & R_{sigma} \\ 0.02111 \end{array}$	4072 [R _{int} = 0.0269, R _{sigma} = 0.0277]	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²	

Table 1: The structure refinements and crystal data for 1 and 2.

Parameters	1	2	
	on F ²		
Data/restraints/parameters	3916/0/211	4072/3/230	
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.042	1.037	
Final R indexes $[I>=2\sigma (I)]$	$R_1 = 0.0256, wR_2 = 0.0581$	$R_1 = 0.0232, wR_2 = 0.0521$	
R indices (all data)	$R_1 = 0.0342, wR_2 = 0.0617$	$R_1 = 0.0282, wR_2 = 0.0541$	

Table 2: The molybdenum centered bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for complex 1 and 2.

Complex	Atoms	Distances	Atoms	Angles
	Mo(1)-N(1)	2.0230(19)	O(4)-Mo(1)-N(1)	81.85(7)
	Mo(1)-N(2)	2.229(2)	O(2)-Mo(1)-N(1)	93.63(8)
1	Mo(1)-O(1)	1.9373(17)	O(3)-Mo(1)-N(1)	100.48(9)
	Mo(1)-O(4)	2.3513(17)	O(2)-Mo(1)-O(4)	83.61(7)
	Mo(1)-O(2)	1.7110(16)	O(3)-Mo(1)-O(4)	171.13(7)
	Mo(1)-O(3)	1.6954(18)	O(2)-Mo(1)-O(3)	105.68(8)
	Mo(1)-N(3)	2.0695(16)	O(2)-Mo(1)-N(3)	79.64(6)
_	Mo(1)-N(1)	2.2422(16)	O(1)-Mo(1)-N(3)	95.43(6)
2	Mo(1)-O(3)	1.9476(13)	O(4)-Mo(1)-N(3)	99.84(7)
	Mo(1)-O(2)	2.3515(14)	O(2)-Mo(1)-O(1)	82.92(6)
	Mo(1)-O(1)	1.7076(14)	O(4)-Mo(1)-O(2)	171.09(6)
	Mo(1)-O(4)	1.6948(15)	O(1)-Mo(1)-O(4)	105.96(7)

Complex	D—H····A	D—H	H····A	DA	D—H····A
	N1-H1…02	0.88	2.158	3.003(3)	160.8
1	04-H4····N3	0.84	1.957	2.796(3)	176.7
	C3-H3B…O4	0.99	2.713	3.221(3)	112.32
	C12-H1201	0.950	2.705	3.336(3)	124.6
2	C11-H11O3	0.950	2.694	3.639(3)	172.8
	02-H2····N2	0.86(2)	1.85(2)	2.707(3)	176(2)

Table 3: Intermolecular interaction parameters (Å and °) of complex **1** and **2**.

UV-Vis Spectra

In order to follow the formation of the complex and to determine at which wavelengths the electronic transitions are, the UV-Vis absorption bands of the compounds were recorded in chloroform solution (3x10⁻⁵ M) between 200 and 800 nm. In the spectra of the L^1-L^4 the bands recorded at 240-243 nm belong to $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$ transitions of 4-methoxy and 5-chloro substituted aromatic rings (33, 35). The bands at about 295, 305 (as shoulders) and 336-345 (broad) nm can attributed as $n \rightarrow \pi^*$ transitions originating from the non-bonding electrons of thioamide and imine nitrogen atoms. In the spectra of **1-4**, the absorption bands seen at 252-254 nm and 302-303 nm were related to the transitions of $\Pi \rightarrow \Pi^*$ and $\Pi \rightarrow \Pi^*$. The ligandmetal charge transfer transitions of the 1-4 were seen in range of 420-422 nm. The forbidden transitions were not observed in the spectra of complexes since they have 4d⁰ configuration (12, 27). The UV-Vis spectra of all compounds were given in the supplementary file (Figure S1-S4).

IR Spectra

In the IR spectra of L^1-L^4 , the bands belonging to v(OH) were recorded at 3457-3310 cm⁻¹. This band disappeared after complexation. Instead, bands belonging to the hydroxy group originating from methanol, which is coordinated to the metal center, were also observed at 3394-3276 cm⁻¹. These values are lower than the v(OH) frequency value of non-coordinated of methanol molecule; 3682 cm⁻¹ (36). This indicates that the methanol is coordinated. In the spectrum of L^1 , the asymmetric and symmetric v(NH₂) vibration bands were recorded at 3414 and 3310 cm⁻¹ respectively. The fact that this band was observed as a single band at 3228 cm⁻¹ in the spectrum of 1 supports deprotonation of the ligand. Also, the v(NH) vibration of other ligands ($L^{2}-L^{4}$), recorded at 3396-3228 cm⁻¹, were disappeared by complexation. The band belonging to the C=N² group was recorded between 1602-1599 cm⁻¹ in the spectra of thiosemicarbazones. After complexation, these bands shifted to lower

frequencies as 1566-1498 cm⁻¹. These situations support the ONN coordination formed by the removal of a hydrogen atom from the thioamide group. In addition, for all molybdenum complexes (1-4), the v_{as} and v_s bands of cis-MoO₂²⁺ were recorded between 933-909 and 907-882 cm⁻¹ (12, 18). The IR spectra of all compounds were given in the supplementary file (Figure S5-S12).

¹H-NMR Spectra

In the ¹H-NMR spectra of L¹-L⁴, the expected isomeric peaks of phenolic hydrogen, azomethine (CH= N^1), N^4 H and also N/S-alkyl protons were recorded with different isomeric ratios. The signals of phenolic hydrogen belonging to the 2-OH aldehyde appeared as two singlets between 12.12-11.41 ppm due to cis-trans isomerism. The absence of this peak in the spectra of 1-4 clearly proves the bonding of oxygen atom of aromatic moiety to the metal center. The syn-anti isomerism of the azomethine group, seen between 8.37-8.29 ppm, was not observed in the spectra of complexes (18). Besides, the shifting of these peaks to higher field indicates the coordination through azomethine group (35). In the spectrum of L^1 the band of the N⁴H₂ was recorded in two proton integral at 5.08 ppm. When its corresponding complex **1** spectrum was examined, it was observed that this peak shifted to a lower area at 6.90 ppm, and was in a single proton integral. In the other complexes 2-4 spectra, there were no proton signals of N⁴H group. This situation supports that the thiosemicarbazones coordinate to the molybdenum center with amide nitrogen. When the spectra of all complexes (1-4) were examined, the -CH₃ group protons of the methanol, coordinated as second ligand, were observed in the range of 3.48-3.47 ppm as singlets or doublets. The reason why the signal of the -OH group of methanol is not seen can be considered as the proton becoming more acidic due to intermolecular interactions (12, 33). The ¹H-NMR spectra of all compounds were given in the supplementary file (Figures S13-S20).

¹³C-NMR Spectra

In the ¹³C-NMR spectra of L¹-L⁴, the signal of the =CN-S was observed in the lowest field between 164.26-165.35 ppm (37). When the spectra of complexes (1-4) were examined, it was observed that this signal shifted to about 10 ppm lower area. Also, the signals showed by azomethine nitrogen (-CH=N)for thiosemicarbazone ligands were recorded at the range 159.87-163.40 ppm. A slight lowfield shift in the azomethine resonance signal observed in complexes is due to the coordination of nitrogen atom. In addition, the carbon signals belonging to the N-alkyl group (N-CH₃ and N-CH₂-) were also shifted to the lower area due to the coordination of the thioamide nitrogen to the metal center. In all compounds except L^2 and 2, the signals belonging to the methoxy group was observed at approximately 58 ppm (38). No significant change was observed with the complexation in the signals belonging to the methoxy and Salkyl groups. The peaks appearing at 53.56-57.05 ppm in the complex spectra belong to the methanol molecule coordinated as second ligand to the dioxomolybdenum(VI) center. The ¹³C-NMR spectra of all compounds were given in the supplementary file (Figures S21-S28).

CONCLUSION

In this study, four dioxomolybdenum(VI) complexes were prepared with new thiosemicarbazone ligands having different substituents on the aromatic ring, the amide nitrogen and sulfur atoms to be used as models in future biological studies. The structural characterizations of all compounds were carried out by using elemental analysis, UV-Vis, IR, ¹H-¹³C-NMR NMR and spectroscopies. The formation of dioxomolybdenum(VI) complexes was observed with the band recorded around 420 nm in the UV-Vis spectra, and the characteristic symmetric and asymmetric stretch bands recorded between 933-909 and 907-882 cm⁻¹ belonging to the MoO_2^{2+} group in the IR spectra. When the ¹H-NMR spectra are examined, the disappearance of the signals belonging to the protons of the phenolic oxygen thioamide nitrogen supports and the coordination from these atoms to the metal center. In addition, when both the ¹H-NMR and ¹³C-NMR spectra of the complexes were examined, the peaks of the methanol molecule were clearly observed. The crystal structure of two complexes (1, 2) were confirmed by X-ray diffraction method. Crystal analysis of complexes indicated a distorted octahedral geometry. Comparison with complexes and

RESEARCH ARTICLE

previous reported similar molecules revealed that the bonds and angles of complexes are within the expected ranges. The crystallographic and spectroscopic data of the compounds clearly demonstrated the formation of ONN coordinated dioxomolybdenum(VI) complexes and binding to the metal center of the methanol molecule as second ligand.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

REFERENCES

1. Leovac V, Gerbeleu N, Canic V. Coordination compounds of cobalt (III), chromium (III), and vanadium (III) with salicylaldehyde S-methylthiosemicarbazone. Russ J Inorg Chem. 1982;27:514–7.

2. Nehar OK, Mahboub R, Louhibi S, Roisnel T, Aissaoui M. New thiosemicarbazone Schiff base ligands: Synthesis, characterization, catecholase study and hemolytic activity. Journal of Molecular Structure. 2020 Mar;1204:127566. <<u>DOI></u>.

3. Behnisch R, Mietzsch F, Schmidt H. Chemical Studies on Thiosemicarbazones with Particular Reference to Antituberculous Acitivity. American review of tuberculosis. 1950;61(1):1–7.

4. Plech T, Wujec M, Siwek A, Kosikowska U, Malm A. Synthesis and antimicrobial activity of thiosemicarbazides, s-triazoles and their Mannich bases bearing 3-chlorophenyl moiety. European Journal of Medicinal Chemistry. 2011 Jan;46(1):241–8. <<u>DOI>.</u>

5. Kesel AJ. Broad-spectrum antiviral activity including human immunodeficiency and hepatitis C viruses mediated by a novel retinoid thiosemicarbazone derivative. European Journal of Medicinal Chemistry. 2011 May;46(5):1656–64. <<u>DOI></u>.

6. Li MX, Chen CL, Zhang D, Niu JY, Ji BS. Mn(II), Co(II) and Zn(II) complexes with heterocyclic substituted thiosemicarbazones: Synthesis, characterization, X-ray crystal structures and antitumor comparison. European

Journal of Medicinal Chemistry. 2010 Jul;45(7):3169–77. <u><DOI></u>.

7. Rodríguez-Argüelles MC, López-Silva EC, Sanmartín J, Pelagatti P, Zani F. Copper complexes of imidazole-2-, pyrrole-2- and indol-3-carbaldehyde thiosemicarbazones: Inhibitory activity against fungi and bacteria. Journal of Inorganic Biochemistry. 2005 Nov;99(11):2231–9. <u><DOI></u>.

8. Saswati, Dinda R, Schmiesing CS, Sinn E, Patil YP, Nethaji M, et al. Mixed-ligand nickel(II) thiosemicarbazone complexes: Synthesis, characterization and biological evaluation. Polyhedron. 2013 Feb;50(1):354–63. <u><DOI></u>.

9. Viñuelas-Zahínos E, Luna-Giles F, Torres-García P, Fernández-Calderón MC. Co(III), Ni(II), Zn(II) and Cd(II) complexes with 2acetyl-2-thiazoline thiosemicarbazone: Synthesis, characterization, X-ray structures and antibacterial activity. European Journal of Medicinal Chemistry. 2011 Jan;46(1):150–9. <DOI>.

10. Chen J, Huang Y, Liu G, Afrasiabi Z, Sinn E, Padhye S, et al. The cytotoxicity and mechanisms of 1,2-naphthoquinone thiosemicarbazone and its metal derivatives against MCF-7 human breast cancer cells. Toxicology and Applied Pharmacology. 2004 May;197(1):40–8. \leq DOI \geq .

11. Afrasiabi Z. Transition metal complexes of phenanthrenequinone thiosemicarbazone as potential anticancer agents: synthesis, structure, spectroscopy, electrochemistry and in vitro anticancer activity against human breast cancer cell-line, T47D. Journal of Inorganic Biochemistry. 2003 Jul 1;95(4):306-14. <DOI>.

12. Eğlence-Bakır S, Sacan O, Şahin M, Yanardag Ülküseven Β. R, Dioxomolybdenum(VI) complexes with 3methoxy salicylidene-N-alkyl substituted thiosemicarbazones. Synthesis, characterization, enzyme inhibition and antioxidant activity. Journal of Molecular Structure. 2019 Oct;1194:35-41. < DOI>.

13. Eğlence-Bakır S. New nickel(II) complexes containing N2O2 donor thiosemicarbazones: Synthesis, characterization and antioxidant properties. Journal of Molecular Structure. 2021 Dec;1246:131121. <<u>DOI></u>.

RESEARCH ARTICLE

14. Bakkar MS, Siddiqi MY, Monshi MS. Preparation and Investegation of the Bonding Mode in the Complexes of Pt(II) with Thiosemicarbazone Ligands. Synthesis and Reactivity in Inorganic and Metal-Organic Chemistry. 2003 Jan 8;33(7):1157–69. <<u>DOI></u>.

15. Ren P, Liu T, Qin J, Chen C. Synthesis, Crystal Structure, Spectroscopy and Calculated First-Order Molecular Hyperpolarizability of a New Square-pyramidal Complex Zn(DMABT) (acac) 2. Journal of Coordination Chemistry. 2003 Jan 1;56(2):125–32. <u><DOI></u>.

16. Sankaraperumal A, Karthikeyan J, Shetty AN, Lakshmisundaram R. Nickel(II) complex of p-[N,N-bis(2-chloroethyl)amino]benzaldehyde-4-methyl thiosemicarbazone: Synthesis, structural characterization and biological application. Polyhedron. 2013 Feb;50(1):264–9. <<u>DOI></u>.

17. Małecki JG, Maroń A, Serda M, Polański J. Ruthenium(II) carbonyl complexes with thiosemicarbazone ligands. Polyhedron. 2013 Jun;56:44–54. <u><DOI></u>.

18. Eğlence S, Şahin M, Özyürek M, Apak R, Ülküseven B. Dioxomolybdenum(VI) complexes of S-methyl-5-bromosalicylidene-N-alkyl substituted thiosemicarbazones: Synthesis, catalase inhibition and antioxidant activities. Inorganica Chimica Acta. 2018 Jan;469:495– 502. <u><DOI></u>.

19. Güveli Ş. Nickel(II)-PPh 3 complexes of substituted benzophenone thiosemicarbazones: Electrochemistry, structural analysis, and antioxidant properties. Journal of Coordination Chemistry. 2020 Jan 2;73(1):137–53. <u><DOI></u>.

20. Takjoo R, Hashemzadeh A, Rudbari HA, Nicolò F. Copper(II) and molybdenum(VI) complexes with 5-bromosalicylaldehyde S - allylisothiosemicarbazone: Syntheses, characterizations and crystal structures. Journal of Coordination Chemistry. 2013 Jan 1;66(2):345–57. COOI

21. Yampolskaya M, Shova S, Gerbeleu N, Belskii V, Simonov YA. Synthesis And Structure Of [S-Methyl-N1, N4-Bis (Salicylidene) Thiosemicarbazide] Ferrochloride (III). Zhurnal Neorganicheskoi Khimii. 1982;27(10):2551–7.

22. Şahin M, Eğlence-Bakır S, Alpay M, Alpay S, Özmerdivenli R, Ülküseven B. Effective copper(II) and nickel(II) complexes with N3O and ON3 thiosemicarbazidato ligands.

Synthesis, structural analysis and in vitro cytotoxity on melanoma B16F10 cells. Inorganica Chimica Acta. 2020 Mar;502:119347. <u><DOI></u>.

23. Hille R. The Mononuclear Molybdenum Enzymes. Chem Rev. 1996 Jan 1;96(7):2757–816. <u><DOI></u>.

24. Hussein MA, Guan TS, Haque RA, Ahamed MBK, Majid AMSA. Synthesis and characterization of thiosemicarbazonato molybdenum(VI) complexes: In vitro DNA binding, cleavage, and antitumor activities. Polyhedron. 2015 Jan;85:93–103. <u><DOI></u>.

25. Duman S, Kızılcıklı İ, Koca A, Akkurt M, Ülküseven Β. **ONN-complexes** of dioxomolybdenum(VI) with 2-hydroxy-1naphthaldehyde S-ethyl-4-H/phenyl-Crystal thiosemicarbazones: structure, electrochemistry in situ and spectroelectrochemistry. Polyhedron. 2010 Oct;29(15):2924-32. < DOI>.

26. Duman S, Kizilcikli İ, Ülküseven B. Dioxomolybdenum(VI) Complexes of 5-Bromo/3,5-Dibromo-Salicylaldehyde 4-(H/C 6 H 5)- S -Propyl-Thiosemicarbazones. Phosphorus, Sulfur, and Silicon and the Related Elements. 2015 Mar 4;190(3):342–51. <u><DOI></u>.

27. Moradi-Shoeili Z, Boghaei DM, Amini M, Bagherzadeh Μ, Notash Β. New molybdenum(VI) complex with ONS-donor thiosemicarbazone ligand: Preparation, structural characterization, and catalytic applications in olefin epoxidation. Inorganic Chemistry Communications. 2013 Jan;27:26-30. <u><DOI></u>.

28. Vrdoljak V, Đilović I, Cindrić M, Matković-Čalogović D, Strukan N, Gojmerac-Ivšić A, et al. Synthesis, structure and properties of eight novel molybdenum(VI) complexes of the types: [MoO2LD] and [{MoO2L}2D] (L=thiosemicarbazonato ligand, D=N-donor molecule). Polyhedron. 2009 Apr;28(5):959– 65. <<u>DOI></u>.

29. Takjoo R, Akbari A, Ahmadi M, Amiri Rudbari H, Bruno G. Synthesis, spectroscopy, DFT and crystal structure investigations of 3methoxy-2-hydroxybenzaldehyde Sethylisothiosemicarbazone and its Ni(II) and Mo(VI) complexes. Polyhedron. 2013 May;55:225–32.<<u>DOI></u>.

RESEARCH ARTICLE

30. Yamazaki C. The structure of isothiosemicarbazones. Canadian Journal of Chemistry. 1975;53(4):610–5.

31. Anonymous. SHELXTL, version 6.14. Bruker AXS Inc., Madison, WI; 2000.

32. Farrugia LJ. ORTEP -3 for Windows - a version of ORTEP -III with a Graphical User Interface (GUI). J Appl Crystallogr. 1997 Oct 1;30(5):565–565. <<u>DOI></u>.

33. Eğlence-Bakır S, Şahin M, Zahoor M, Dilmen-Portakal E, Ülküseven B. Synthesis and biological potentials of dioxomolybdenum(VI) complexes with ONS and ONN chelating thiosemicarbazones: DNA-binding, antioxidant and enzyme inhibition studies. Polyhedron. 2020 Nov;190:114754. <<u>DOI></u>.

34. Kaya Y, Erçağ A, Kaya K. Synthesis, characterization and antioxidant activities of dioxomolybdenum(VI) complexes of new Schiff bases derived from substituted benzophenones. Journal of Coordination Chemistry. 2018 Oct $18;71(20):3364-80. \le DOI \ge$.

35. Çelen Ş, Eğlence-Bakır S, Şahin M, Deniz I, Celik H, Kizilcikli I. Synthesis and characterization of new thiosemicarbazonato molybdenum(VI) complexes and their in vitro antimicrobial activities. Journal of Coordination Chemistry. 2019 May 19;72(10):1747–58. <<u>DOI></u>.

36. Plyler EK. Infrared spectra of methanol, ethanol, and n-propanol. J Res Natl Bur Stand. 1952;48(4):281–6.

37. Vrdoljak V, Cindrić M, Milić D, Matković-Čalogović D, Novak P, Kamenar B. Synthesis of five new molybdenum(VI) thiosemicarbazonato complexes. Crystal structures of salicylaldehyde and 3-methoxy-salicylaldehyde 4methylthiosemicarbazones and their molybdenum(VI) complexes. Polyhedron. 2005 Sep;24(13):1717–26. <<u>DOI></u>.

38. Novak P, Pičuljan K, Hrenar T, Smrečki V. Structure and Hydrogen Bonding Interactions in Methoxysalicylaldehyde Thiosemicarbazone Derivatives in Solution by NMR and DFT Methods. Croatica Chemica Acta. 2009;82(2):477–83.

Dioxomolybdenum(VI) Complexes of ONN-Chelating Thiosemicarbazones: Crystallographic and Spectroscopic (UV, IR, and NMR) Studies

Songül Eğlence-Bakır^{a*}

^aDepartment of Chemistry, Faculty of Science, Istanbul University, 34134, Istanbul, Turkey







Figure S2: UV spectra of L² and 2



















Figure S7: IR spectrum of L^2





RESEARCH ARTICLE



Wavenumber cm⁻¹

Figure S10: IR spectrum of 3

% Transmitance

H₃CO

-CH₃ CH₃ **RESEARCH ARTICLE**



Wavenumber cm⁻¹ Figure S12: IR spectrum of 4











Figure S17: ¹H-NMR spectrum of L³



Figure S18: ¹H-NMR spectrum of 3







Figure S21: ¹³C-NMR spectrum of L¹



Figure S22: ¹³C-NMR spectrum of 1





Figure S24: ¹³C-NMR spectrum of 2



Figure S25: ¹³C-NMR spectrum of L³



Figure S26: ¹³C-NMR spectrum of 3



