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STRUCTURAL STUDY OF SOME METAL SACCHARINATES G. Jovanovski & B. Kamenar

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Introduction. One of the cyclic imides, commonly used as a sweeting agent, is o-sulphobenzimide known as saccharin (see Figure). The chemical properties and especially physiological

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and biochemical activities of saccharin have been intensively investigated because of its cancerous nature. Defournel [1] was first who reported the posibility of formation of saccharin metal complexes and Font-Altaba [2] was first who published his attempt to solve the structure of Mn saccharinate Since, on the one hand, mahy transition elements are very

important in life processes and, on the other hand, very little was known about the crystal structure of metal saccharinates, we started to study the metal complexes of saccharin and solved the structures of $\mathrm{Na_3(sac)_3.2H_2O}$, $\mathrm{Mg(sac)_2.7H_2O[3]}$, $\mathrm{Mn(sac)_2.6H_2O[4]}$, $\mathrm{Cd(sac)_2.6H_2O[5]}$, $\mathrm{Hg(sac)_2[6]}$, $\mathrm{ClHg(sac)[7]}$, $\mathrm{Pb(sac)_2.H_2O[6]}$ and $\mathrm{Co(sad)_2.2bipy.H_2O[9]}$ (sac denoting saccharinate).

structural study. The X-ray crystal structure analysis revealed that different types of metal-to-ligand bonding exist in the series of different metal saccharinates. Namely, judging from the arrangement of the saccharinate ligands arround the central metal atom and comparing the experimentally found interatomic distances between the metal atom and the electron-donor saccharinate atoms (N, $0_{\rm SQ}$, $0_{\rm CO}$), it was concluded that the structures of ${\rm Hg(sac)}_2$ and ${\rm ClHg(sac)}$ are covalent, those of ${\rm Na}_3({\rm sac})_3.2{\rm H}_2{\rm O}$, ${\rm Mg(sac)}_2.7{\rm H}_2{\rm O}$ and ${\rm Pb(sac)}_2.{\rm H}_2{\rm O}$ are ionic, while the structures of ${\rm Mn(sac)}_2.6{\rm H}_2{\rm O}$, ${\rm Cd(sac)}_2.6{\rm H}_2{\rm O}$ and ${\rm Co(sac)}_2.$

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.2bipy. $\mathrm{H}_2\mathrm{O}$ are intermediate between the covalent and ionic.

Hg - saccharinates. The structures of Hg(sac)₂ and ClHg(sac) are built up of individual molecules. The mercury atom in both structures has digonal characteristic coordination being bonded to two saccharinate N atoms in the first and to one saccharinate N atom and one Cl atom in the second structure. The Hg-N bond lengths range from 2.02 to 2.08 Å. The mercury atoms in both structures are effectively five-coordinated [10].

Na, Mg and Pb - saccharinates. The structures of Na (sac) .. .2H2O, Mg(sac)2.7H2O and Pb(sac)2.H2O consist of cations (Na+, Mg and Pb + , respectively), saccharinate anions and water molecules. All three crystallographically independent Na ions have C.N. six, being surrounded by O atoms from H₂O molecules, CO and SO, groups and saccharinate N atom. Coordination polyhedra are irregular with the Na-O distances from 2.304 to 2.796 Å and Na-N distance of 2.731 ${\rm \mathring{A}}.$ The ${\rm Mg}^{2+}$ ions in the structure of Mg(sac)₂.7H₂O are octahedrally surrounded by five oxygens from H₂O molecules and one O from CO group. Mg-O distances range from 2.012 to 2.113 Å. The Pb²⁺ ion in the structure of Pb(sac)₂.H₂C is surrounded by one O atom from the H₂O molecule, five O atoms from the CO and SO, groups and two saccharinate N atoms. The Pb-O and Pb-N distances within the irregular coordination polyhedra vary from 2.435 to 2.901 A and 2.576 to 2.713 A, respectively. One of the CC oxygen atoms from two crystallographically independent saccharinate ions is coordinated to two Pb2+ ions forming an centrosymmetric Pb Pb bridge with Pb-0 distances: 2.697 (2x) and 2.882 $\stackrel{\circ}{A}$ (2x).

Mn, Cd and Co - saccharinates. Mn atom in Mn(sac) $_2$.6H $_2$ O and Cd atom in isomorphous Cd(sac) $_2$.6H $_2$ O, located in the symmetry centres, are octahedrally coordinated by four C atoms from H $_2$ O molecules and two saccharinate N atoms. The Mn-O bond lengths are 2.162 (2x) and 2.219 Å (2x), while the Mn-N bond length is 2.281 Å (2x). The Cd-O and Cd-N distances are 2.285 (2x), 2.354 (2x) and 2.347 Å (2x), respectively. These two compounds are isomorphous with the analogous Fe, Co, Ni and Zn saccharinates. The structure of Co(sac) $_2$.2bipy.H $_2$ O consists of six-coordinated Co $_2$ + ions, saccharinate anions and bipyridyl ligands. Cobalt is

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surrounded by five N atoms (belonging to two bipyridyls and one saccharinate) and one O atom from $\rm H_2O$ molecule. The Co-N bond lengths range from 2.140 to 2.154 $\rm \mathring{A}$ and the Co-O bond length is 2.054 $\rm \mathring{A}$.

Water molecules in all crystallohydrates participate in hydrogen bonding with saccharinate 0 or N atoms. All saccharinate ligands are planar within the experimental errors. The bond lengths and angles in the six-membered ring of the saccharinate ligands are very similar in all metal saccharinates but which is not the case in the five-membered ring. It seems (see Table) that the C-N-S and O-S-O angles are smaller and N-C-C and N-S-C angles larger in the ionic compounds than those in the covalent ones (including saccharin itself). As far as the interatomic distances are concerned, the C-N and S-N bonds are shorter in the ionic saccharinates than those in the covalent structures. These differences are most probably the consequence of the partial electron density redistribution in the five-membered ring of saccharinate ligand, particularly in its C-N-S fragment.

COMPOUND	ANGLES/C				OISTANCI S/X			
	C-N-S	N-C-C	N-S-C	0-S-0	C-0	s-0	5-N	C-N
SACCHARIN	115.1	109.6	92.2	117.7	1.21	1.42	1.60	1.37
Hg(SAC) ₂	112.8	110.8	95.0	116.1	1.21	1.43	1.65	1.39
Clug (SAC)	111.2	112.0	96.2	117.2	1.23	1.43	1.62	1.45
Mn (SAC) 2 - 6H20	110.9	113.2	96.9	116.1	1.24	1.44	1.63	1.36
Cd(SAC) 2 · 6H2O	112.8	111.7	95.8	115.6	1.25	1.44	1.62	1.37
Co(SAC) 2 · 28IPY · H20	112.1	111.4	95.7	116.0	1.21	1.44	1.62	1.38
Pb (SAC) 2 · H20	111.1	114.0	95.9	115.2	1.26	1.43	1.60	1.34
Mg (SAC) 2 · 7H20	110.7	114.0	97.5	114.6	1.24	1.45	1.62	1:35
Na 3 (SAC) 3 · 2H20	111.2	113,4	97.7	113.6	1.24	1.45	1,60	1.35

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