



Synthesis and Spectral Study of New Guanine Derivative (N-((6-Oxo-6,9-Dihydro-1*H*-Purin-2-yl)Carbamothioyl)Propionamide) and its Complexes with Some Metals Ion

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Abstract

This study included the preparation and characterization of the new guanine derivative (N-((6-oxo-6,9-dihydro-1H-purin-2-yl)carbamothioyl)propionamide), with an exciting chemical structure. The guanine part is a bicyclic heterocyclic base that is connected to a carbamothioyl group by a propionamide linker. This nitrogenous base derivative is prepared in two steps: The first step involves the synthesis of propionyl isothiocyanate from the reaction of propionyl chloride with ammonium thiocyanate in acetone. In contrast, the second step consists of the reaction of ammonium thiocyanate with guanine to obtain the ligand. The study also includes the preparation of new complexes of metal ions (Mn⁺², Co⁺², Ni⁺², Cu⁺², Zn⁺², Cd⁺², and Pd⁺²) with a prepared guanine derivative. The ligand and complexes were characterized by using infrared spectra, ultraviolet-visible spectra, ¹H-N.M.R., ¹³C-N.M.R. spectra, and elemental analysis (C.H.N.S.): molar conductivity measurement, magnetic susceptibility, atomic absorption, and melting point. The results of these studies showed that general formulas for these complexes were given [MCl₂(O.P.P.)₂], M = (Mn⁺², Co⁺², Ni⁺², Cu⁺², Zn⁺², Cd⁺², and Pd⁺²). It was found that the geometric shape of all the prepared complexes was an octahedron.

Keywords: Guanine, propionyl chloride, isothiocyanate, coordination complexes, organometallic compounds.

1. Introduction

Bioinorganic chemistry is a field of chemistry that focuses on the study of the interactions between inorganic molecules and biological systems. It involves the study of metal ions and their coordination chemistry in biological systems, as well as the role of inorganic elements and compounds in biological processes [1,2].

The preparation of metallic coordination complexes with biological molecules is an active area of research in bioinorganic chemistry because these complexes can have a variety of biological applications. For example, some of these complexes have been studied for their potential use as anticancer agents, antibacterials, antifungals, or catalysts for important biological reactions [3–10].

The preparation of these complexes often involves modifying the biological molecules to create ligands that can coordinate with metal ions and form stable complexes [3,10–14]. This can affect the use of synthetic organic chemistry techniques to develop modified versions of naturally occurring biological molecules or the development of entirely new ligands that can alter the properties of biological molecules [4,15–17].

The objective of this study is to synthesize and analyze the properties of a novel ligand (OPP) (N-((6-oxo-6,9-dihydro-1H-purin-2-yl)carbamothioyl)propionamide), and its complexes with some metal ions.

2. Materials and Methods

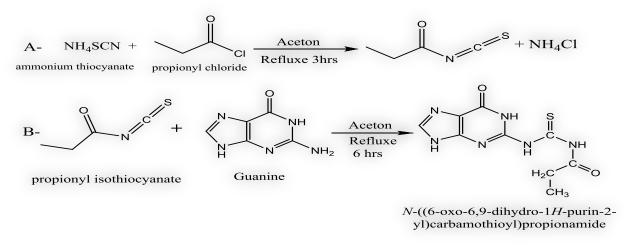
2.1 Chemicals

All reagents, chemicals, metal chloride salts, and solvents were purchased from Merck, Fluorochem, Fluka, Sigma-Aldrich, J.T. Baker, BDH, Riedel-De Haen Merk, and Honeywell with high purity.

2.2 Synthesis of the ligand (OPP)

A- About 30 mmol, 2.28 g of ammonium thiocyanate was dissolved in 20 mL of acetone with stirring, then 30 mmol, 2.77 mL of propionyl chloride was added to the solution and stirred for about 3 hours, then filter. The product was a yellow solution.

B- About 30 mmol, 4.53 g of guanine was dissolved in 20 mL of acetone, then mixed with the former solution above, refluxed the mixture with a water bath for 6 hours, let dry, and then recrystallized with ethanol [18,19], as in **Scheme 1**.



Scheme1. Preparation of ligand (OPP).

The product was orange gummy, yield (63%), m.p (134°C), C% found (40.48) calc.(40.60), H% was found (3.47) calc.(3.79), N% was found (31.33) calc.(31.56), S% was found (12.39) calc.(12.04), and O% was found (12.39) calc.(12.02).

2.3 Synthesis of metal complexes

A- About 2 mmol, 0.532 g of the guanine derivative was dissolved in 10 mL of ethanol.

B- About 1 mmol of the metal salts (0.197 g of $MnCl_2.4H_2O$, 0.237 g of $CoCl_2.6H_2O$, 0.237 g of $NiCl_2.6H_2O$, 0.170 g of $CuCl_2.2H_2O$, 0.136g of $ZnCl_2$, 0.201 g of $CdCl_2.H_2O$, and 0.177 g of $PdCl_2.H_2O$) were dissolved in the least amount of ethanol, then this solution was added to the solution obtained from the previous step and the mixture stirred for 4 hours to form a precipitate that is separated by filtration, washed with ethanol, and leave to dry [19,20]. **Table 1** shows some physical properties of the prepared complexes.

3. Results and Discussion

The solid complexes that were synthesized displayed solubility in certain typical solvents, including dimethyl formamide and dimethyl sulphoxide, and exhibited considerable thermal stability. When dissolved in DMSO, all complexes demonstrated non-electrolytic behavior, as evidenced by their molar conductivity. **Table 1** shows the percentage of physical properties and metals in complexes and the molar conductivity of the ligand and its metallic complexes.

Compound	Color	M.Wt (g/mol)	M.p.(Dec.) °C	M% Calculation (Found)	Molar condu. Ohm ⁻¹ cm ² mol ⁻¹
(OPP)	Orange	266.28	134	()	
[MnCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	Yellow	658.40	142	8.34 (8.58)	14
[CoCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	Blue	662.39	164	9.80 (9.72)	12
[NiCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	Green	662.15	168	8.86 (9.01)	18
[CuCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	Blue	667.00	(182)	9.53 (9.77)	12
[ZnCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	White	688.84	(168)	9.78 (9.72)	10
[CdCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	White	715.87	(192)	15.70 (15.83)	8
[PdCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	Brown	709.88	(188)	14.99 (15.08)	2

Table 1. The physical properties of the ligand and its metallic complexes.

The FT-IR spectrum for free ligand OPP in **Figure 1**, detected a medium band at (3160 cm⁻¹) for v(NH), medium band at (1604 cm⁻¹) for v(C=O amidic) and another bands at (1226 cm⁻¹) for v(C=S) and a strong band at (1695 cm⁻¹) for v(C=O) of the guanine ring [22], **Table 2** and **Figure 1**.

Table 2. The FT-IR bands for guanine and free ligand OPP.

Compound	v(N-H ₂ +OH)	v(N-H+OH)	v(C=O) Amide	v(C=S)	v(C=O) in purin ring
Guanine	3321 _(m)	3116 _(m)			1693 _(s)
OPP		3160 _(m)	1604 _(s)	1226 _(s)	1695 _(s)

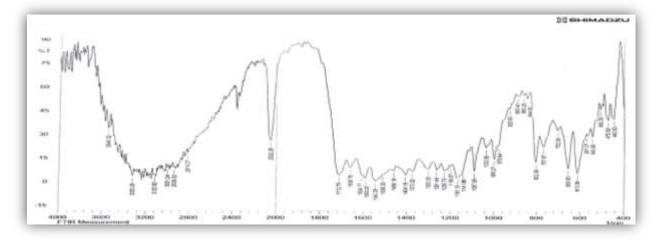


Figure 1. The FT-IR spectrum of ligand (OPP).

The ¹H-NMR spectrum of ligand (OPP) in DMSO-d₆ in **Figure 3** showed a doublet signal at $\delta(1.03)$ ppm for (3H, of CH₃ methyl), a pentet signal at $\delta(2.145)$ ppm for two protons in (CH₂, methylene), a single signal at $\delta(2.51)$ ppm for (DMSO), a single signal at $\delta(7.02)$ ppm for one proton of (N-H imidazole ring), a single signal at $\delta(7.28)$ ppm for one proton (C-H in imidazole ring), a single signal at $\delta(9.34)$ ppm for one proton of (NH, amine), a single signal at $\delta(9.64)$ ppm for one proton in (NH, amide). Also, a single signal at $\delta(11.048)$ ppm for one proton in (NH, guanidine) [22], **Table 2**.

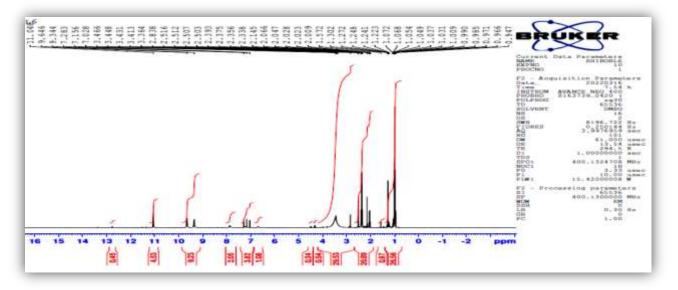


Figure 2. The ¹H-NMR spectrum of ligand (OPP).

Symbol	Δppm	Signal	No.of point	Group
a	1.03	Doublet	3H	CH ₃ , Methyl
b	2.145	Pentlet	2H	CH ₂ , Methylene
с	7.02	Singlet	1H	N-H, imidazole ring
d	7.28	Singlet	1H	C-H, imidazole ring
e	9.34	Singlet	1H	N-H, amine
f	9.64	Singlet	1H	N-H, amide
g	11.04	Singlet	1H	N-H, guanidine

Table 3. The ¹HNMR signals for ligand (OPP).

While the ¹³C-NMR spectrum of ligand OPP in **Figure 4**, DMSO-d₆ showed a single signal at $\delta(10.23)$ ppm for (CH₃, methyl), a single signal at $\delta(30.02)$ ppm for (CH₂ methylene), a single signal between $\delta(39.31-39.93)$ ppm for (DMSO), a single signal at $\delta(124)$ ppm for (C in imidazole ring), a single signal at $\delta(143)$ ppm for (CH of purine ring), a single signal at $\delta(150)$ ppm for (C-NH, in purine ring), a single signal at $\delta(159)$ ppm for (C=O, of purine ring), a single signal at $\delta(166)$ ppm, for (C-NH, in purine ring), a single signal at $\delta(176)$ ppm, for(C=O, amide), and a single signal at $\delta(184)$ ppm, for (C=S), **Table 3**.

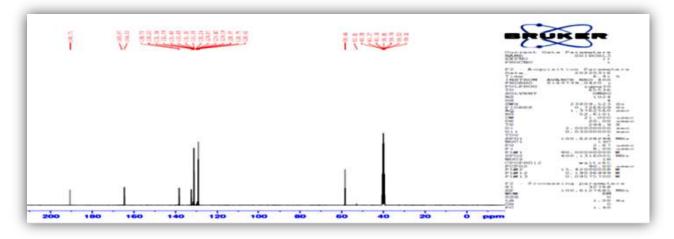


Figure 3. The ¹³C-NMR spectrum of ligand (OPP).

Symbol	Δррт	Group
а	10.23	CH ₃ ,Methyl
b	30.02	CH ₂ ,Methylene
c	124	C- imidazole ring
d	143	CH in purine ring
e	150	C-NH in purine ring
f	159	C=O in purine ring
g	166	C-NH in purine ring
h	176	C=O, amid
i	184	C=S

Table 4. The ¹³CNMR signals for ligand (OPP).

According to **Figure 5**, the UV-visible spectra of the ligand OPP (0.01M in DMSO) in **Table 4** displayed a band at (36101) cm⁻¹, which was attributed to the $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$ transition, while a band at (27777) cm⁻¹ was observed due to the $n \rightarrow \pi^*$ transitions [23].



Figure 5. The UV-visible spectrum of ligand (OPP).

-[MnCl₂(OPP)₂] d⁵, displayed distinct spectral bands at (35087), (28735), and (10183) cm⁻¹ were due to (L.F.) transitions, (C.T.), and (${}^{6}A_{1}g \rightarrow {}^{4}T_{1(G)}$) transitions, respectively [19,23]. -[CoCl₂(OPP)₂] d⁷ in **Figure 6**, exhibited clear spectral bands at (34482), (28735), (34482), and (14836) cm⁻¹, which were associated with (L.F.), and (C.T.) that mix with (${}^{4}T_{1(f)} \rightarrow {}^{4}T_{1(p)}$) transitions, (${}^{4}T_{1}g_{(f)} \rightarrow {}^{4}A_{2}g$) transitions, and (${}^{4}T_{1}g_{(f)} \rightarrow {}^{4}T_{2}g$) transitions, respectively [24,25].

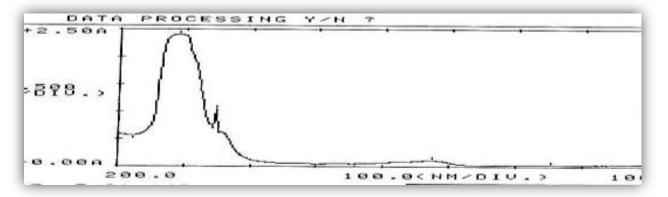


Figure 6. The UV-visible spectrum of [CoCl₂(OPP)₂].

-[NiCl₂(OPP)₂] d⁸, the complex exhibited distinct spectral bands at (34013, 28735, 15197) and (11299) cm⁻¹, which were for ligand field (LF), charge transfer (CT) that mix with (${}^{3}A_{1}g \rightarrow {}^{3}T_{1}g_{(p)}$), (${}^{3}A_{2}g \rightarrow {}^{3}T_{1}g$), and (${}^{3}A_{2}g \rightarrow {}^{3}T_{2}g$) transitions, respectively [24,25]. -[PdCl₂(OPP)₂] d⁸ in **Figure 10**, the complex exhibited distinct spectral bands at (34013, 28735, 15197), and 11299) cm⁻¹, which were assigned for (L.F.), (C.T.) that mix with the (${}^{3}A_{1}g \rightarrow {}^{3}T_{1}g_{(p)}$), (${}^{3}A_{2} \rightarrow {}^{3}T_{1}g$), and (${}^{3}A_{2}g \rightarrow {}^{3}T_{2}g$) transitions, respectively [24,25]. -[CuCl₂(OPP)₂] d⁹ in **Figure 7**, displayed distinct spectral bands at (35087 and 10593) cm⁻¹ which were attributed to (L.F.) and (${}^{2}Eg \rightarrow {}^{2}T_{2}g$) transitions, respectively [23].

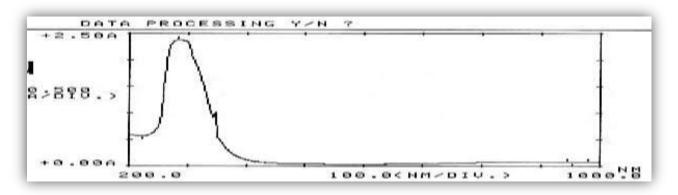


Figure 7. The UV-visible spectrum of [CuCl₂(OPP)₂].

The complexes of $[ZnCl_2(OPP)_2]$ and $[CdCl_2(OPP)_2]$ in **Figures 12** and **13**, respectively, showed ligand field effects in the range (34129-34013) cm⁻¹ and charge transfer of (M \rightarrow L), in the range (29735-28735) cm⁻¹ [24].

Compounds	λ(nm)	υ ⁻ (cm ⁻¹)	ABC	ε _{max} molar- ¹ cm ⁻¹	Transitions
	277	36101	2.213	2213	$\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$
(OPP)	360	27777	0.383	383	$n \rightarrow \pi^*$
	285	35087	2.366	2366	(L.F.)
[MnCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	348	28735	0.837	837	(C.T)
	982	10183	0.025	25	${}^{6}A_{1}g \rightarrow {}^{4}T_{1(G)}$
	290	34482	2.399	2399	(L.F.)
	348	28735	1.050	1050	(C.T.)mix ${}^{4}T_{1(f)} \rightarrow {}^{4}T_{1(p)}$
[CoCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	678	14836	0.110	110	${}^{4}T_{1}g_{(f)} \longrightarrow {}^{4}A_{2}g$
	870	34482	0.035	35	${}^{4}T_{1}g_{(f)} \longrightarrow {}^{4}T_{2}g$
	294	34013	2.416	2416	(L.F.)
INICL (ODD) 1	348	28735	1.169	1169	(C.T.)mix ${}^{3}A_{1}g \rightarrow {}^{3}T_{1}g_{(p)}$
[NiCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	658	15197	0.036	36	$^{3}A_{2}g \rightarrow ^{3}T_{1}g$
	885	11299	0.035	35	${}^{3}A_{2}g \rightarrow {}^{3}T_{2}g$
	285	35087	2.369	2369	(L.F.)
[CuCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	944	10593	0.078	78	$^{2}\text{Eg} \rightarrow ^{2}\text{T}_{2}\text{g}$
	294	34013	2.442	2442	(L.F.)
[ZnCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	348	28735	1.266	1266	(C.T.)
	293	34129	2.383	2383	(L.F.)
[CdCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	348	29735	1.050	1050	(C.T.)
	273	36630	1.628	1628	(L.F.)
[PdCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	352	28409	0.552	552	(C.T.)mix ${}^{3}A_{2}g \rightarrow {}^{3}T_{1}g_{(p)}$
	982	10183	0.069	69	$^{3}A_{2}g \rightarrow ^{3}T_{2}g$

Table 5. The UV-visible s	pectral data of the ligand	OPP complexes and its	complexes (10 ⁻³	' M in DMSO).

The FT-IR spectra of seven prepared complexes were recorded within the range (4000-200) cm⁻¹ as (CsI) discs and showed significant differences in the bands associated with the stretching vibration at 1226 cm⁻¹ in the ligand spectrum, which is assigned to the v(C=S) in the range of (1182-1159) cm⁻¹. These bands were shifted lower by (44-23) cm⁻¹ in the spectra of the complexes, indicating the involvement of the sulfur atom in the thione group in coordination [26], **Table 5**. The band caused by v(C=O amide) in the range of (1595-1525) cm⁻¹ was shifted to lower frequencies by (79-9) cm⁻¹, suggesting the possibility of coordination of the ligand through the O-atom at the carbonyl group the metal complexes [27,28] as in **Figures 8** and **9**. The coordination of M-O and M-S was evidenced by the appearance of stretching vibrations at around (487-455) cm⁻¹, (379-308) cm⁻¹, and (293-262) cm⁻¹, respectively, which correspond to v(M-O), v(M-S), and v(M-CI), [29]. **Table 6** describes the critical bands and their assignments for the free ligand (OPP) and its complexes that were prepared.

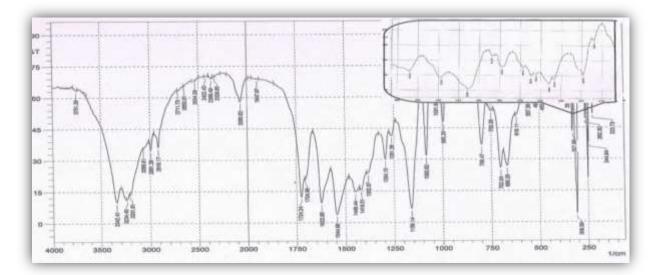


Figure 8. The FT-IR spectrum of [CdCl₂(OPP)₂] complexes.

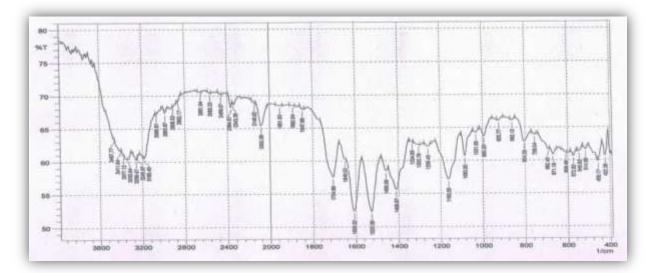


Figure 9. The FT-IR spectrum of [ZnCl₂(OPP)₂] complexes.

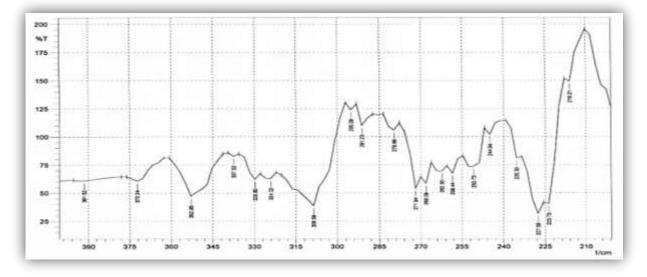


Figure 10. The FT-IR spectrum of [ZnCl₂(OPP)₂] complexes.

Compound	v(N-H)	v(C=O) Amide	v(C=S)	v(M-O)	v(M-S)	v(M-Cl)
Ligand (OPP)	3160 _(m)	1604 _(m)	1226 _(m)			
[MnCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	3163 _(m)	1593 _(s)	1159 _(s)	480 _(w)	379 _(w)	293 _(w)
[CoCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	3170 _(m)	1527 _(s)	1180 _(s)	462 _(w)	329 _(w)	268 _(w)
[NiCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	3170 _(m)	1595 _(s)	1182 _(s)	480 _(w)	312 _(w)	264 _(w)
[CuCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	3178 _(m)	1529 _(m)	1161 _(m)	487 _(w)	310 _(w)	270 _(w)
[ZnCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	3180 _(m)	1525 _(m)	1163 _(m)	455 _(w)	308 _(w)	271 _(w)
[CdCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	3150 _(m)	1544 _(s)	1159 _(s)	455 _(w)	351 _(w)	262 _(w)
[PdCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	3166 _(m)	1535 _(m)	1161 _(s)	462 _(m)	351 _(w)	258 _(w)

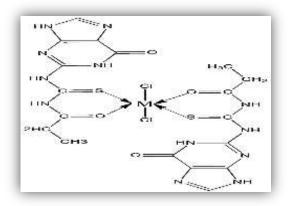
Table 6. The important bands and assignment for (OPP) and its metal complexes.

The magnetic susceptibilities of these complexes were in good agreement with the values expected for high spin [29,30]; the magnetic susceptibilities of these complexes are listed in **Table 7**.

Table 7. Magnetic susceptibilities data of (OPP) complexes.

Complexes	Gram susce. X _g x 10 ⁻⁶	Molar susce. X _M x 10 ⁻⁶	Atomic susce. X _A x 10 ⁻⁶	μ_{eff} (B.M)	No. of unpaired electrons	Proposed structure
[MnCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	22.46	1478.4394	14787.4394	5.96	5	Oh
[CoCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	14.35	9506.7315	9631.9115	4.79	3	Oh
[NiCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	5.41	3582.8807	3708.0607	2.97	2	Oh
[CuCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	1.66	1107.22	1232.4	1.71	1	Oh
[ZnCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	0	0	0	0	0	Oh
[CdCl ₂ (OPP) ₂]	0	0	0	0	0	Oh
$D = 125.18 \times 10^{-6}$						

Based on molar conductivity, magnetic moment, and spectroscopic studies (including FT-IR, UV-Vis, ${}^{1}H{}^{-13}C$ NMR, and atomic absorption), this study determines that the ligand OPP acts as a bidentate ligand when coordinating with Mn(II), Co(II), Ni(II), Cu(II), Zn(II), Cd(II), and Pd(II) ions. Specifically, the oxygen atom of the amido group (C=O) and the sulfur atom of the thioamide group (C=S) are involved in coordination with the metal ion. This suggests an octahedral geometry around the metal ion for all of the prepared complexes, **Scheme 2**. Additionally, FT-IR studies for the OPP ligand show that it is coordinates with the mentioned functional groups.



Scheme 2. Octahedral geometry of complexes.

4. Conclusion

This study utilizes a variety of analytical techniques to determine that the OPP ligand acts as a bidentate ligand when coordinating with Mn(II), Co(II), Ni(II), Cu(II), Zn(II), Cd(II), and Pd(II) ions. The amido group's oxygen atom (C=O) and the thioamide group's sulfur atom (C=S) coordinated with the metal ion, resulting in an octahedral geometry around the metal ion for all prepared complexes, as shown in **Scheme 2**. Furthermore, the OPP ligand showed that coordination occurred through the mentioned functional groups and the formation of hexagonal rings between the ligands and metal ions, which increased the stability of these complexes. In summary, this study provides comprehensive insights into the coordination behavior of the OPP ligand with various metal ions. It offers a detailed understanding of the structures of the prepared complexes using multiple analytical techniques.

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