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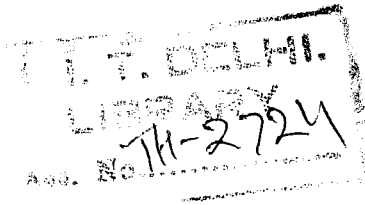
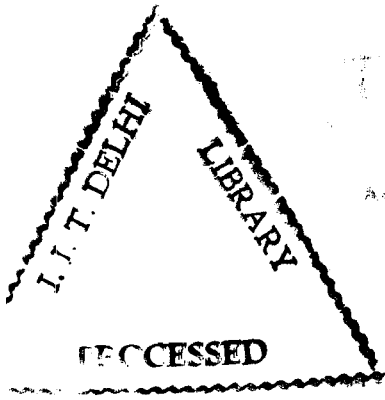
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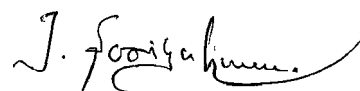
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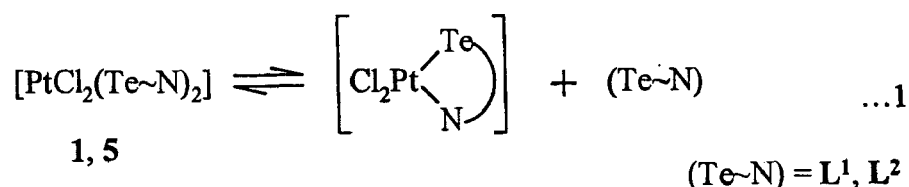
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ABSTRACT

N-{2-(4-methoxyphenyltelluro)ethyl} morpholine (L^1) and bis{2-(morpholin-N-yl)ethyl}telluride (L^2) are synthesized by reacting $ArTe^-$ (generated by borohydride reduction of Ar_2Te_2) and Na_2Te with N-(2-chloroethyl)morpholine hydrochloride under N_2 atmosphere, respectively. L^2 is an unstable yellow coloured oily liquid whereas, L^1 a white colored solid (molecular ion peak (m/z) at 351 in mass spectrum). The 1H NMR spectra of L^1 and L^2 are as expected. L^1 and L^2 are characterized structurally (Te-C 2.15(4)/ 2.129(3) Å; C(1B)-Te(1B)-C(8B) 97.5(1)°). The morpholine ring in L^1 has the chair conformation and tellurium has distorted pseudo tetrahedral geometry. The complexes $[PtCl_2(L^1)_2].2C_6H_6$ (1), $[PdCl_2(L^1)_2]$ (2), $[HgBr_2(L^1)]_2$ (3), $[Ru(p\text{-cymene})Cl_2(L^1)]$ (4), $[PtCl_2(L^2)_2]$ (5), $[PdCl_2(L^2)_2]$ (6) and $[HgBr_2(L^2)]_2$ (7) are synthesized and characterized by the 1H and $^{13}C\{^1H\}$ NMR spectroscopy along with elemental analyses, conductance and molecular weight measurements. The CH_2 -Te signals in 1H and $^{13}C\{^1H\}$ NMR spectra of complexes generally appear downfield with respect to free L^1 and L^2 where as, the shift in CH_2 -N signals is insignificant. This indicates that the coordination of L^1 with metal ions is through tellurium and not through nitrogen. In 1H NMR spectra of 1 and 5, the appearance of additional signals may be due to equilibrium given in equation 1 which is supported by HETCOR spectra of 1 and 5.



1H NMR spectrum of 4 has two CH_2Te signals (both deshielded) due to magnetic nonequivalence of two protons, supported again by its HETCOR spectrum. The single crystal structures of *trans*- $[PtCl_2(L^1)_2].2C_6H_6$ (1) and *trans*- $[PdCl_2(L^1 / L^2)_2]$ (2, 6)

corroborate these inferences (Pt-Te : 2.582(15) Å; Pd-Te: 2.586(2) - 2.605(2)Å) about the ligation of L². The Pd/Pt in 1-2 and 6 has nearly square planar geometry. 3 and 7 are formulated as dimeric species having bromo bridges as shown below. 4 is a half sandwich compound of *p*-cymene. The three other sites are occupied by two Cl atoms and one Te atom.

N-[2-(4-Methoxyphenyltelluro)ethyl]benzamide [L³] is synthesized by the reaction of ArTeNa with N-(2-chloroethyl)benzamide in ethanol under N₂ atmosphere. The ¹H NMR spectrum of L³ is as expected. The bands at 1641 and 3383 cm⁻¹ observed in the IR spectrum of L³ may be assigned to ν(C=O) and ν(NH), respectively. In mass spectrum of L³ the molecular ion peak (m/z) is observed at 382. L³ is characterized structurally and Te-C(1) was found to be 2.107(8)/2.140(13) Å. The complexes [PdCl₂(L³)] (8), [PtCl₂(L³)] (9), [(phen)Pd(L³)](ClO₄)₂ (10), [(DPPE)Pd(L³)](ClO₄)₂ (11), [RuCl₂(L³)₂] (12) and [HgBr₂(L³)₂] (13) are synthesized. The downfield shifts are observed in CH₂Te and CH₂N signals of L³ on the formation of all the complexes (except 13), indicating that L³ coordinates through Te and N in them. L³ ligates in 13 through tellurium only.

2-(2-{4-Ethoxyphenyl}-telluroethyl)-1,3-dioxane [L⁴] and Bis(2-{1,3-dioxan-2-yl}ethyl)telluride [L⁵] are prepared by reacting ArTe⁻ and Na₂Te with 2-(2-bromoethyl)-1,3-dioxane, respectively. Their ¹H and ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectra are characteristic. [RuCl₂(*p*-cymene)(L⁴ / L⁵)] (14 / 15) and [PdCl₂(L⁵)₂] (16) have been synthesized and characterized by ¹H NMR, conductance measurement and elemental analyses. In ¹H NMR spectra of the complexes 14 –16, there are two CH₂-Te signals due to magnetic non-equivalence of two protons, as supported by their HETCOR spectra. Both show a downfield shift with respect to the free ligand L⁴/L⁵. The CH₂O signal in the spectra of 14-16 is unaffected. This indicates that the ligation of L⁴/L⁵ is

only through Te. The single crystal structures of 14-16 are consistent with these observations. The Ru-Te in 14 and 15 is 2.6559(9)- 2.642(1) Å and Ru-Cl 2.404(3) - 2.417(3) Å. In 16 Pd-Te is ~ 2.587(6) Å and Pd(1)-Cl(1): 2.999(2) - 2.299(2) Å.

Attempts were made to synthesize a cyclic (Te₃, N₃) (L⁶) type ligand and a potential (Te, S₂) (L⁷) type donor by treating Na₂Te (generated *in situ* by borohydride reduction of elemental tellurium) with equimolar amount of bis(2-chloroethyl)amine and two moles of ClCH₂CH₂SPh, respectively. The products obtained were found to be highly unstable and therefore attempts were made to stabilize them as their metal complexes. The ligand L⁶ was reacted *in situ* with PdCl₄²⁻ and similarly, ligand L⁷ with (DPPE)PdCl₂ in the presence of AgClO₄. However, from the reaction mixture we could crystallize *trans*-[PdCl₂{NH(CH₂CH₂Cl)₂}₂] (17) and [(Ph₂PCH₂CH₂PPh₂)Pd(μ-Cl)]₂(ClO₄)₂.2CHCl₃ (18) only. Both of them are characterized structurally. The compounds 17 and 18 were prepared by independent methods also. The 17 is formed in good yield when Na₂PdCl₄ reacts with bis(2-chloroethyl)amine hydrochloride in methanol. The compound 18 can be prepared by the reaction of 1,2-bis(diphenylphosphino)ethanedichloro palladium(II) dissolved in chloroform with AgClO₄ taken in methanol.

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