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Synthesis and Characterization of Co(II) and Ni(II) complexes of Schiff base derived from Ninhydrin and Valine

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Abstract : In this study, Complexes of Co (II) and Ni (II) ions with Ruhmann's purple (ligand) were successfully synthesized and characterized. The complexes of NiL₂ and CoL₂ were synthesized by using template condensation synthesis method and characterized by melting point, solubility, elemental analysis, and molar conductance, and magnetic susceptibility, infrared and electronic spectral studies. The complexes, NiL₂ and CoL₂ are soluble in ethanol, partially soluble in Diethyl ether and chloroform and insoluble in hexane and petroleum ether. The complexes, NiL₂ and CoL₂ neither melt nor decompose up to 420⁰C. The molar conductance of NiL₂ and CoL₂ was 42 Scm²/mol and 46Scm²/mol in respectively. The molar magnetic susceptibility of two complexes was 1.74 BM for NiL₂ and 2.76 BM for CoL₂. The metal to ligand ratio of both metal complexes was 1:2; both metal complexes are non-electrolytes in ethanol and are paramagnetic at 21⁰C. Based on the spectral data and other analytical data, monobasic ONO donor behavior of the ligand (Ruhmann's purple) generates octahedral geometry for the pink-green colored Ni (II) complex and green colored Co (II) complex.

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