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## Synthesis, Characterization, Thermal Studies, and Antioxidant Activities of Azo Dye[2-[(3-Hydroxyphenyl)diazinyl]-1,2-Benzothiazol-3(2H)-one-1,1-Dioxide]and Metal Ion Complexes

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### Abstract

The new azo dye was synthesized *via* the reaction of the diazonium salt form of 3-aminophenol with 2-hydroxyquinoline. This dye was then used to access a series of complexes with the chlorides of manganese, iron, zinc, cadmium, and vanadium sulfate. The prepared ligand and its complexes were characterized by FT-IR spectroscopy, UV-visible spectroscopy, mass spectrometry, thermogravimetric analysis, differential scanning calorimeter, and microelemental analysis. Conductivity, magnetic susceptibility, metal content, and chlorine content of the complexes were also measured. The ligand and cadmium complex were identified using  $^1\text{H}$  NMR and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectroscopy. The results showed that the shape of the ligand is a trigonal planar, and the complex shapes are tetrahedral, except for vanadium, which is a square-based pyramid. Additionally, the findings demonstrated that the complexes include water inside the coordination field and that each and every one of them is a non-electrolyte. The dye used the complexes prepared from it to determine their ability to inhibit free radicals by measuring their ability as antioxidants using DPPH as a free radical. D-ascorbic acid was employed as a standard substance in determining the value of  $\text{IC}_{50}$ , as it was found that the ligand had a high ability to inhibit free radicals. The ability to inhibit the complexes varied according to the value of  $\text{IC}_{50}$ , and the results are as follows:  $\text{H}_2\text{L} > \text{D-ascorbic acid} > \text{Zn-complex} > \text{Fe-complex} > \text{V-complex} > \text{Cd-complex} > \text{Mn-complex}$ .

**Keywords:** 3-Aminophenol, Antioxidant, Azodye complexes, 2-Hydroxyquinoline, Thermodynamic parameter.

تحضير، تشخيص، دراسة التحلل الحراري وانشطة مضادات الاكسدة لصبغة ازو (2-3-هاييدروكسي فنيل) دايانيل-1،2-بنزو ثيازول-3-اون 1،1-ثنائي اوكسايد) مع معقدات ايونات الفلزات

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### الخلاصة

حضرت صبغة الازو الجديدة من تفاعل ملح الديازونيوم من 3-امينو فينول مع 2-هاييدروكسي كوينولين استخدمت الصبغة لتحضير سلسلة من المعقدات مع كلوريدات كل من المنغنيز والحديد والخرصين والكاميوم وكبريتات الفناديوم، شخص الليكاند والمعقدات المحضرة بطيف الاشعة تحت الحمراء وطيف الاشعة فوق البنفسج-المرئية وطيف الكتلة والتحليل الحراري الوزنية والمسعر التفاضلي والتحليل الدقيق للعناصر. وقياس

التوصيلية والحساسية المغناطيسية ومحتوى الفلز ومحتوى الكلور للمعقدات. تم التحقق من الليكاند ومعقد الكاديوم بطيف الرنين النووي المغناطيسي للبروتون والكربون. أظهرت النتائج ان الليكاند ثلاثي السن والمعقدات رباعية السطوح عدا الفناديوم كان هرم مربع القاعدة. فضلاً عن احتواء المعقدات على الماء داخل مجال التناقص وان جميعها غير الكتروليتية. استخدم الصبغة المعقدات المحضرة منها لتحديد قابليتها على كبح الجذور الحرة من خلال قياس قابليتها كمضادات اكسدة باستخدام مادة DPPH كجذر حر وحامض الاسكوريك كمادة قياسية وتحديد قيمة IC<sub>50</sub> حيث وجد ان الليكاند يمتلك قابلية عالية على كبح الجذور الحرة والمعقدات تفاوتت قابليتها على الكبح حسب قيمة IC<sub>50</sub> وكانت النتائج كما يلي:

(H<sub>2</sub>L >Ascorbic acid >Zn-complex >Fe-complex > V-complex >Cd-complex > Mn-complex)

**الكلمات المفتاحية:**مضاداتالأكسدة, 3-امينو فينول , معقدات اصباغ الازو, الثوابت الثرموديناميكية و-2-هيدروكسيكوينولين.

## 1.Introduction

Azo dyes are among the most widely used, useful, and important types of chemical compounds, with diverse applications in science and technology[1-2]. The presence of an azo moiety (-N=N-) coupled with two monocyclic or polycyclic moieties identifies azo compounds[3]. Aromatic or heterogeneous systems are either unique or homologous[4]. Because of their distinctive physical and chemical characteristics and biological activities, they have a broad variety of uses in the pharmaceutical, cosmetic, food, dyeing, and textile industries [5]. However, their coloring job remains their most popular and favorite tool. The medicinal significance of azo compounds is widely recognized for their antibacterial, antifungal, and anti-HIV properties [6]. The majority of azo dyes are used to color textiles, and it is estimated that 10% of the dyes used in these dyeing procedures are not. They stick to the fibers and end up in wastewater treatment[7]. Some azo dyes are carcinogenic, and this is due to degradation products such as benzidine, which activate various tumors in humans and animals. Aromatic amines found in many azo dyes affect human health, cause allergic reactions, and cause other diseases. Different metal quinoline complexes have been shown to be more effective than the parent quinoline because of their interesting bioactivity. Many studies have been performed on heterocyclic azo dyes and their metal chelators. Dyed azo metal chelates are of interest for use in molecular memory storage, nonlinear visualizations, and printing systems[8-10]. This research aims to prepare novel complexes of the metal ions (Cd<sup>+2</sup>, Zn<sup>+2</sup>, Fe<sup>+3</sup>, Mn<sup>+2</sup>, and V<sup>+4</sup>) using the azo ligand H<sub>2</sub>L. Thereafter, characterization by spectroscopic analysis, thermal stability, and thermal decomposition will be studied using DSC and TGA curves, and the antioxidant activity of these compounds will be assessed against the DPPH radical and compared with D-ascorbic acid as a reference.

## 2.Experimental

### 2.1.Material and Methods

All the materials used in this work were provided by SigmaAldrich, Merck, and other companies. The Urovector model EA/3000 singleV30 analyzer was used to record elemental microanalyses for carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen, and sulfur (C.H.N.S.). Through a gravimetric approach, mineral ions were identified as M-O. Using DMSO as a solvent, a conductometer W-T-W estimated molar conductivities ( $1 \times 10^{-3}$  M) at 25 °C. Mass spectrometry data were recorded using a Q-P-50-A-D-I Analysis Shimadzu QP(E170Ev)-2010-Pluss spectrometer. The UV-1800 Shimadzu Spectrophotometer was used to record the UV-visible absorption. The <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were measured using a Bruker (400MHz) spectrometer. The Fourier Transform Infrared (FT-IR) spectra were recorded using an IR Prestige-21, and the instruments

employed were the Braker 4000-500  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  and the Shimadzu 4000-200  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . Metals were identified using a Shimadzu (F.A.A.) 680 G atomic clock. Magnetic properties were used with the balancing susceptibility model MSR-MKI. All earlier types of thermal analysis employed Perkin-Elmer Pyris Diamond DSC/TGA.

### 2.2. Synthesis of azo dye ligand: [2-[(3-hydroxyphenyl)diazenyl]-1,2-benzothiazol-3(2H)-one 1,1-dioxide]

To a solution of 3-aminophenol (1g, 0.008mmol) in HCl (2 mL, xx N), ethanol (15mL), and distilled water (10 mL) at 0 to 5 °C, a solution of  $\text{NaNO}_2$  (1 g, 14.49mmol) in  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (10 mL) was added gradually. The reaction mixture was stirred for 45 minutes before adding a solution of 2-hydroxyquinoline (1.16 g, 0.008 mmol) in ethanol (15 mL). A change to a dark-colored solution was observed after 30 minutes of stirring. The solid crude material formed was filtered and dried to give a brown precipitate with an 87% yield that melts at 253-255 °C.

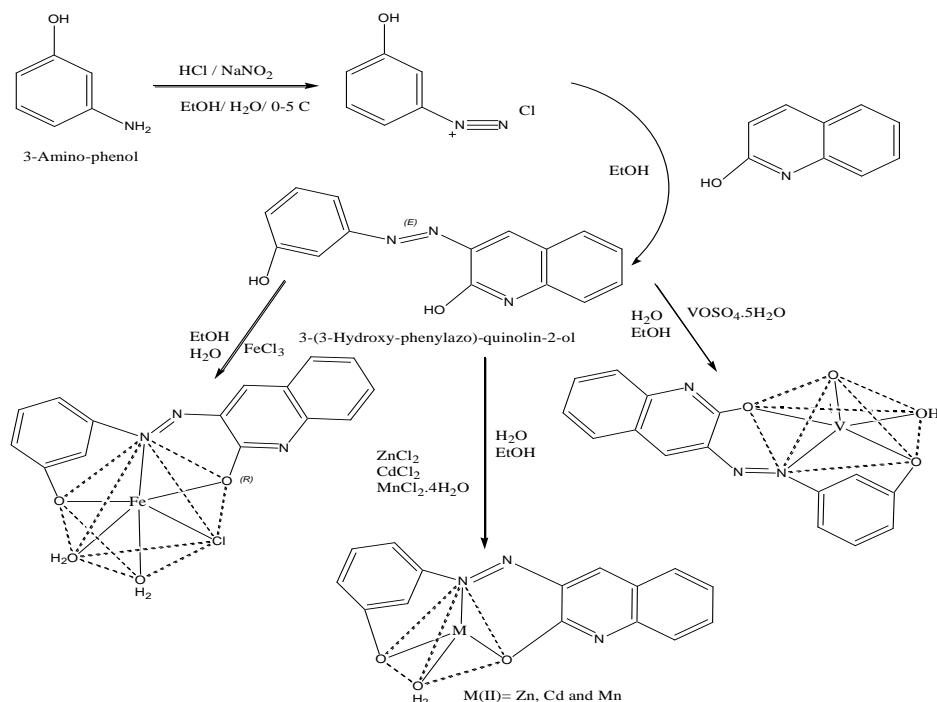
### 2.3. General approach for metal complexes synthesis

A solution of metal salt [ $\text{VOSO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (0.1 g, 1 mmol),  $\text{FeCl}_3$  (0.058g, 1 mmol),  $\text{MnCl}_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (0.08g, 1 mmol),  $\text{ZnCl}_2$  (0.05g, 1 mmol), or  $\text{CdCl}_2$  (0.07g, 1 mmol)] in water (10 mL). Azo ligand  $\text{H}_2\text{L}$  (0.1g, 1mmol) was added drop by drop to the solution before heating at 40 °C for 2 hours. By briefly submerging the solid complexes in hot ethanol, any unreacted components were separated from them and eliminated. The complexes were gathered, dried, and weighed.

## 3. Results and discussion

### 3.1. Physical and analytical data for the ligand ( $\text{H}_2\text{L}$ ) and the complexes synthesized

The reaction of metal salts and ligand afforded the desired complexes as shown in Scheme 1. The findings of the elemental analysis show that all compounds have a 1:1 ratio of M:L. The results of the microelemental analysis were consistent with the theoretical calculations, as shown in Table 1.



**Scheme 1-** Formation for ligand ( $\text{H}_2\text{L}$ ) and their metal complexes

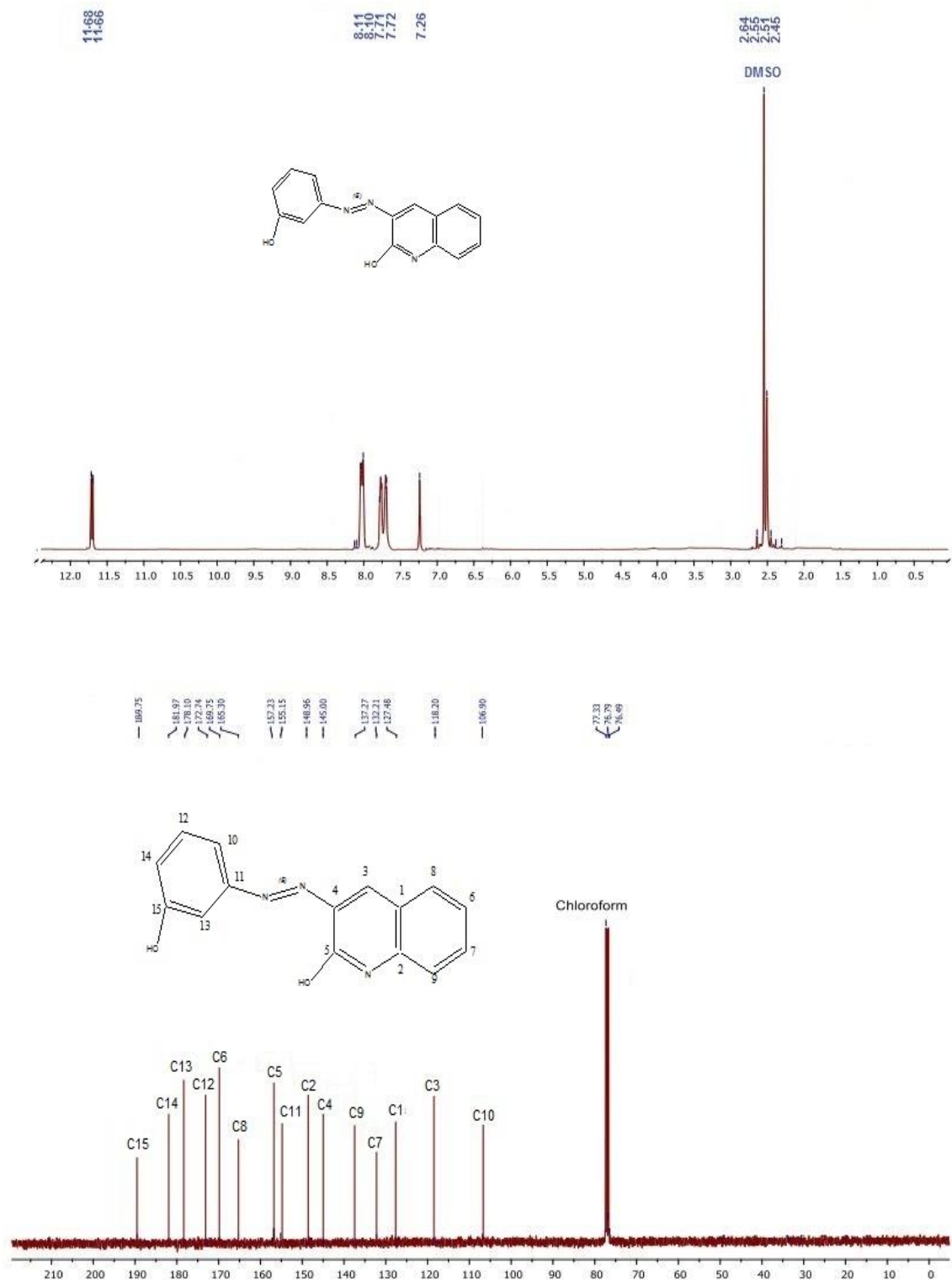
**Table 1:** Some elemental physical characteristics investigations of ligand and complexes

| Compound no. | Formula<br>Molecular weight  | m.p.(°C) | Ratio      | C (%) | H (%) | N (%) | M (%) | Cl (%) | Conductivity<br>In DMSO<br>cm <sup>2</sup> Ω <sup>-1</sup> mol <sup>-1</sup> |
|--------------|--|----------|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--|
| 1            | C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>11</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>2</sub><br>265.27      | 253-255  | found      | 67.92 | 4.18  | 15.84 |       | -      |  |
|              |  |          | Calculated | 67.09 | 3.72  | 16.81 |       |        |  |
| 2            | C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>11</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> V<br>348.21    | 289-291  | found      | 51.74 | 3.18  | 12.07 | 14.63 | -      | 12   |
|              |  |          | Calculated | 50.62 | 3.83  | 12.28 | 14.88 |        |  |
| 3            | C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>11</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>3</sub> Mn<br>336.20   | 276-278  | found      | 53.59 | 3.35  | 12.50 | 16.34 | -      | 16   |
|              |  |          | Calculated | 52.69 | 3.09  | 13.16 | 13.02 |        |  |
| 4            | C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>13</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> ClFe<br>390.58 | 292-294  | found      | 46.13 | 3.35  | 10.76 | 14.30 | 9.08   | 19   |
|              |  |          | Calculated | 46.89 | 3.97  | 11.89 | 13.54 | 9.57   |  |
| 5            | C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>11</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>3</sub> Zn<br>346.66   | 277-280  | found      | 51.97 | 3.20  | 12.12 | 18.86 | -      | 11   |
|              |  |          | Calculated | 50.99 | 4.11  | 13.10 | 18.55 |        |  |
| 6            | C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>11</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>3</sub> Cd<br>393.68   | 296-299  | found      | 45.76 | 2.82  | 10.67 | 28.55 | -      | 10   |
|              |  |          | Calculated | 44.89 | 3.55  | 11.89 | 28.22 |        |  |

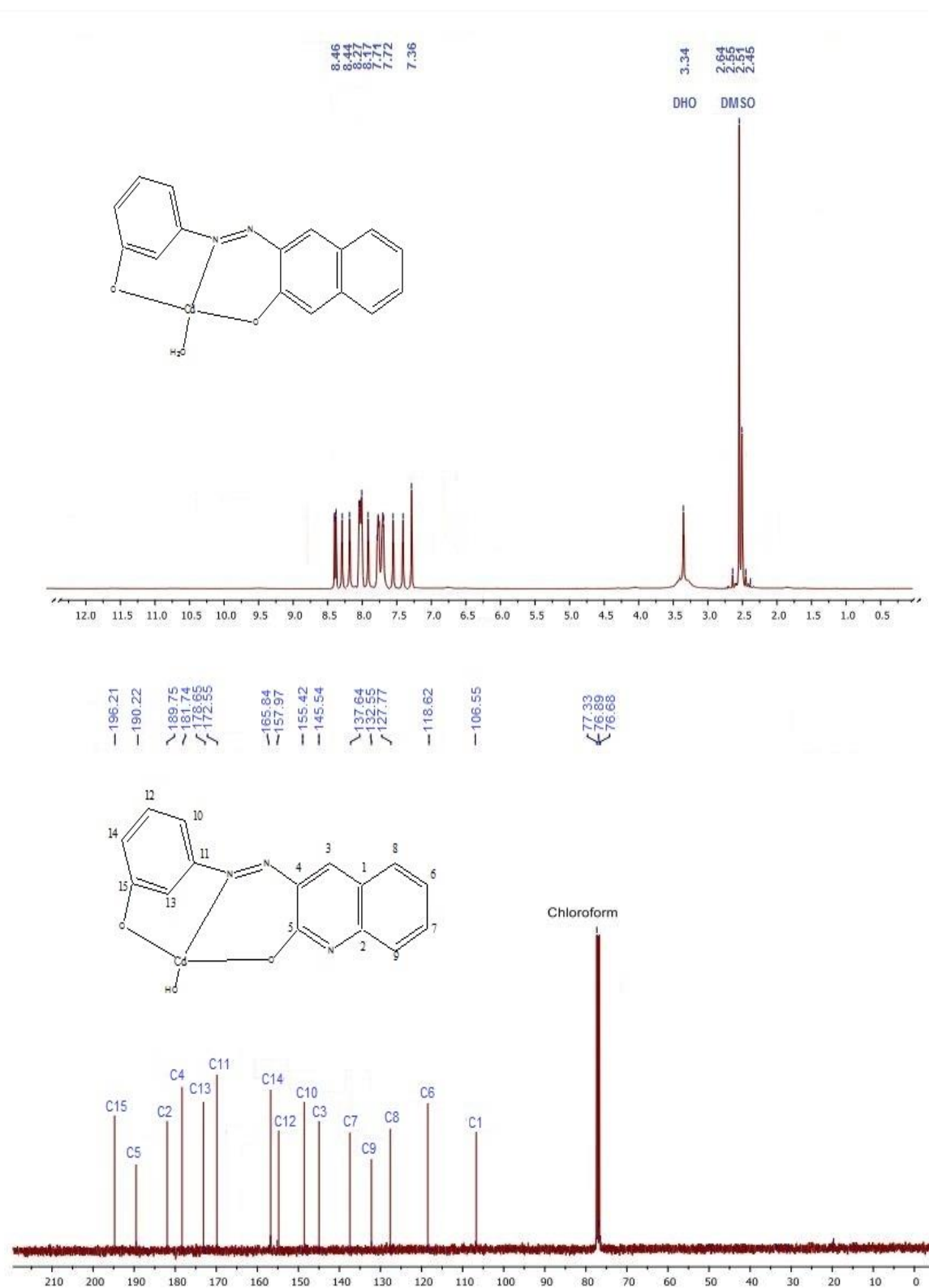
### 3.2. <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR data of the azo ligand and Cd complex

The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of azo ligand are displayed in Figure 1. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR data in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> (ppm) are 2.45 (2H, s, N-H), 7.26 (1H, s, Ar-H), 7.72-7.71 (1H, d, Ar-H), 11.68-11.66 (1H, s, 2OH) [11]. <sup>13</sup>C NMR data in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> (ppm) are 127.5 (C1), 149.0 (C2), 118.2 (C3), 145.0 (C4), 157.2 (C5), 169.8 (C6), 132.2 (C7), 165.3 (C8), 137.3 (C9), 166.9 (C10), 155.2 (C11), 122.2 (C12), 178.1 (C13), 182.0 (C14), 189.75 (C15) [12].

The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of Cd-complex are displayed in Figure 2. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR data of Cd complex in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> (ppm) are 3.34 (DHO impurities), 8.46-7.36 (9H, m, Ar-H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR data in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> (ppm) are 106.6 (C1), 189.8 (C2), 145.5 (C3), 181.7 (C4), 190.2 (C5), 118.6 (C6), 137.6 (C7), 127.8 (C8), 132.5 (C9), 155.4 (C10), 172.6 (C11), 158.0 (C12), 178.7 (C13), 165.8 (C14), 196.2 (C15) [11].



**Figure 1 :** <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of azo ligand (H<sub>2</sub>L)



**Figure 2:** <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of the Cd complex

### 3.3. LC-mass spectra for ligand and its complexes

One of the most crucial methods for characterizing the ligand (H<sub>2</sub>L) and some products is LC-Mass spectrum testing. This method is supplementary to the other methods that estimate

the molecular weight of the chemical using the relationship  $(m/z)$ [13]. The fragmentation pattern and the extract mass for each pattern are shown in Scheme 2. The fragment's molecular ion peak  $[M]^+$  of  $C_{15}H_{10}N_3O^+$  is easily visible, and its relative abundance is about 67% in Figure 3. Other peaks observed at 45, 32, and 88% belong to the  $C_{15}H_{10}N_3^+$ ,  $C_9H_6N^+$ , and  $C_6H_5N_2^+$  ions, respectively[8]. For the  $[Cd(L)H_2O]$  (Figure 4 and Scheme 2), we can observe the molecular ion peak  $(M^+)$  at 392.33m/z with a relative abundance of 10%, and the next patterns are  $C_{15}H_7CdN_3O_2^+$ ,  $C_{15}H_8CdN_3O^+$ ,  $C_{15}H_8CdN_2O^+$ ,  $C_9H_4CdN_2O^+$  and  $C_6H_5^+$ , which correspond to 374.58 m/z, 358.78 m/z, 344.64 m/z, 267.69m/z, and 77.84m/z, respectively. In the  $[Mn(L)H_2O]$  complex (Scheme 2), the fragments  $(M^+)$  at 336.42m/z with a relative abundance of 10%, and the next patterns are  $C_{15}H_8N_3O_2Mn^+$ ,  $C_9H_4N_3OMn^+$ ,  $C_9H_4N_2OMn^+$ ,  $C_9H_4NOMn^+$  and  $C_6H_4O^+$ , which corresponded to 317.42m/z, 255.02 m/z, 211.35m/z, 197.42m/z, and 92.33m/z. For  $[Fe(L)(H_2O)_2Cl]$  complex (Scheme 5), the fragments  $(M^+)$  at 390.44m/z with a relative abundance of 15% and the next patterns are  $C_{15}H_9ClFeN_3O_2^+$ ,  $C_{15}H_9FeN_3O_2^+$ ,  $C_{15}H_9FeN_3O^+$ ,  $C_9H_5FeNO^+$ ,  $C_6H_5N_2^+$ ,  $C_7H_5N_2^{++}$  and  $C_2HFeO^+$  corresponded to 354.64m/z, 319.08 m/z, 303.32m/z, 198.14 m/z, 105.44 m/z, 103.21m/z, and 96.89m/z. In the  $[VO(L)H_2O]$  complex (Scheme 2), the fragments  $(M^+)$  at 348.34m/z with relative abundance 20% and next pattern:  $C_{15}H_8N_3O_3V^+$ ,  $C_9H_4N_3O_2V^+$ ,  $C_9H_4N_2O_2V^+$ ,  $C_9H_4NO_2V^+$  and  $C_6H_4O^+$ , which corresponded to 329.22m/z, 237.01m/z, 223.22 m/z, 209.41m/z, and 92.36m/z. For the  $[Zn(L)H_2O]$  complex in Scheme 2, the next fragments  $(M^+)$  are at 345.86m/z with a relative abundance of 25% and the next patterns are  $C_{15}H_8N_3O_2Zn^+$ ,  $C_{15}H_8ZnN_3O^+$ ,  $C_{15}H_8ZnN_2O^+$ ,  $C_9H_3ZnN_2O^+$  and  $C_6H_5^+$  which correspond to 327.63m/z, 311.65 m/z, 297.35m/z, and 220.54m/z, respectively[14].

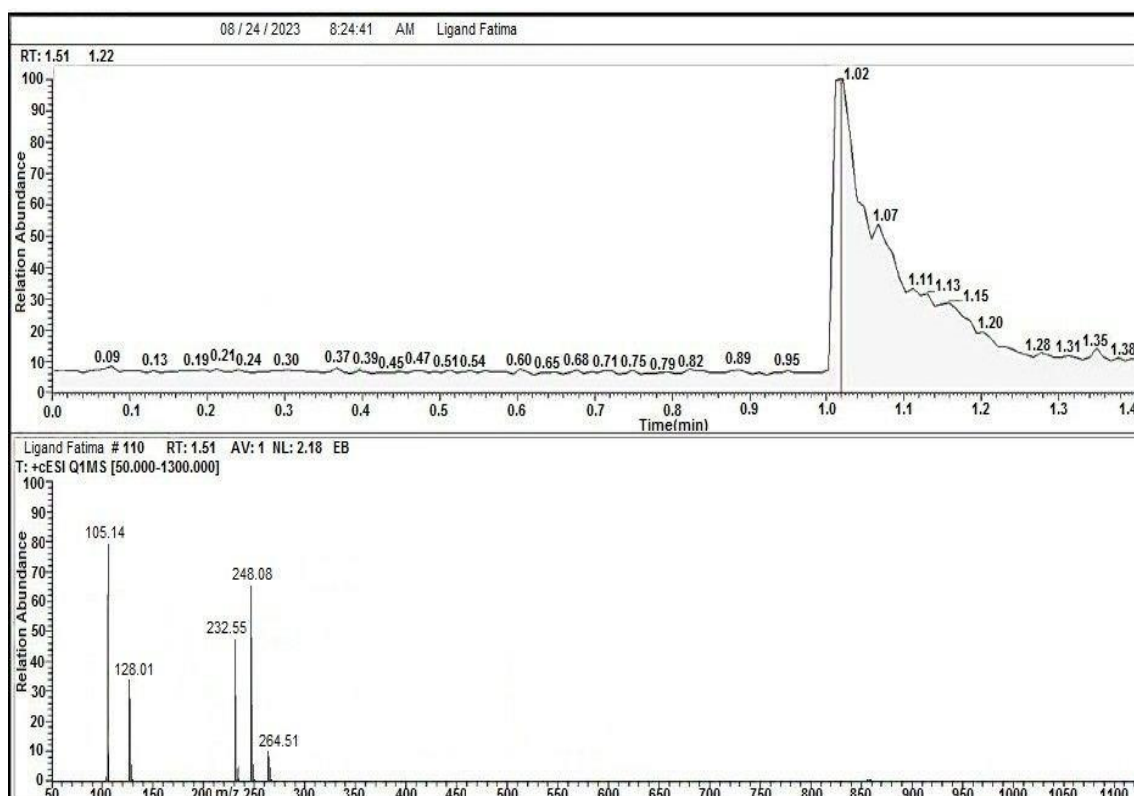


Figure 3: Mass spectrum of ligand H<sub>2</sub>L

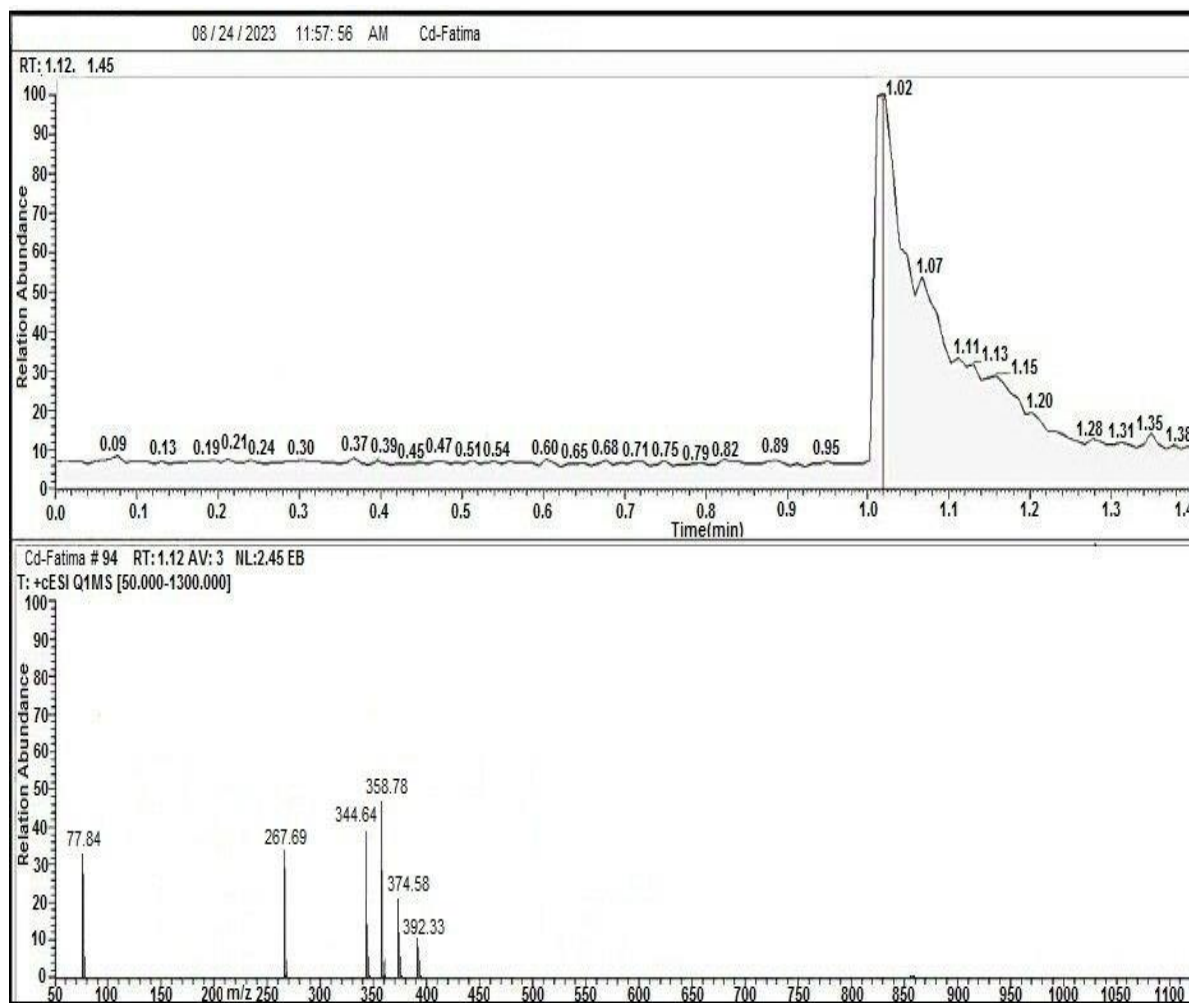
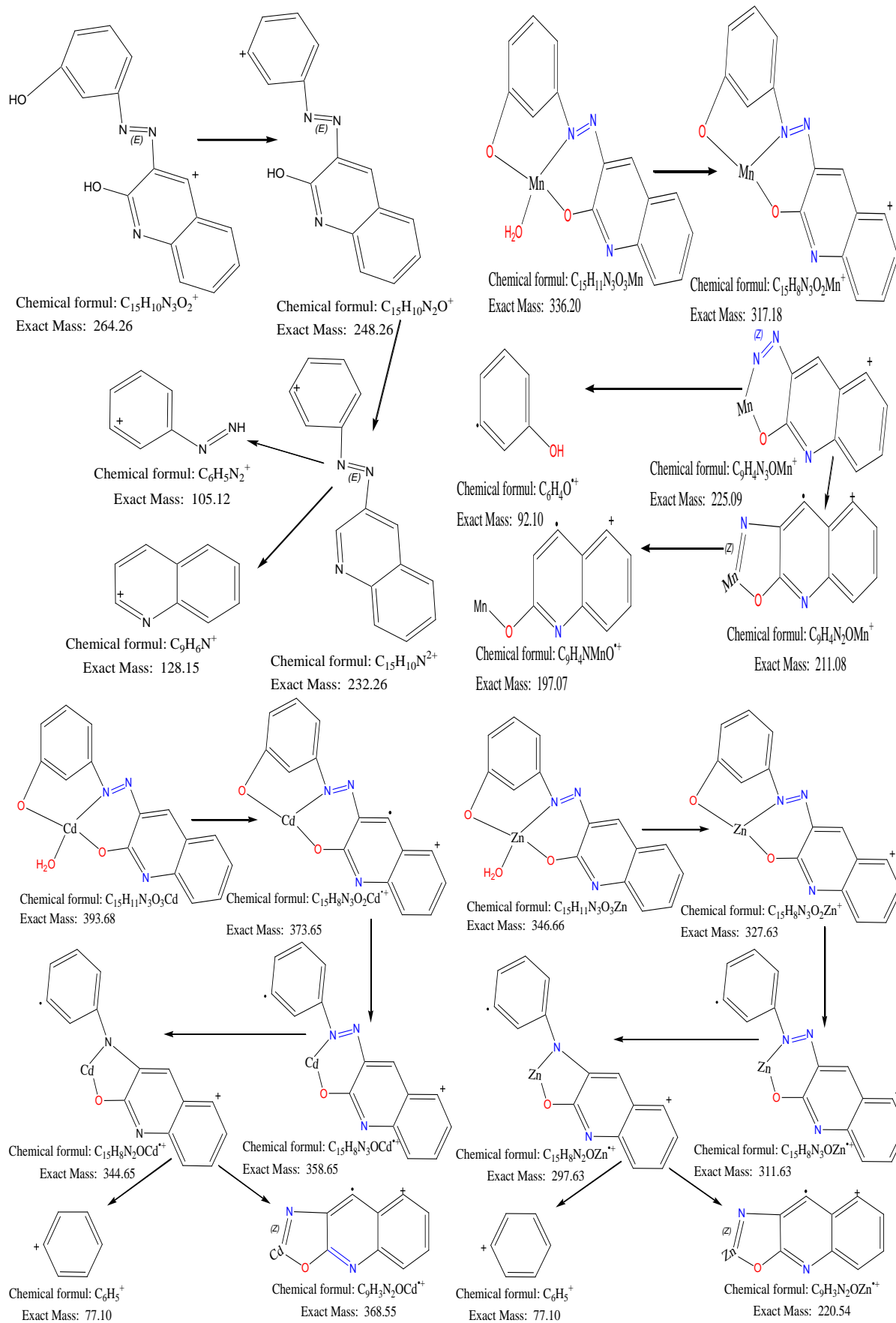
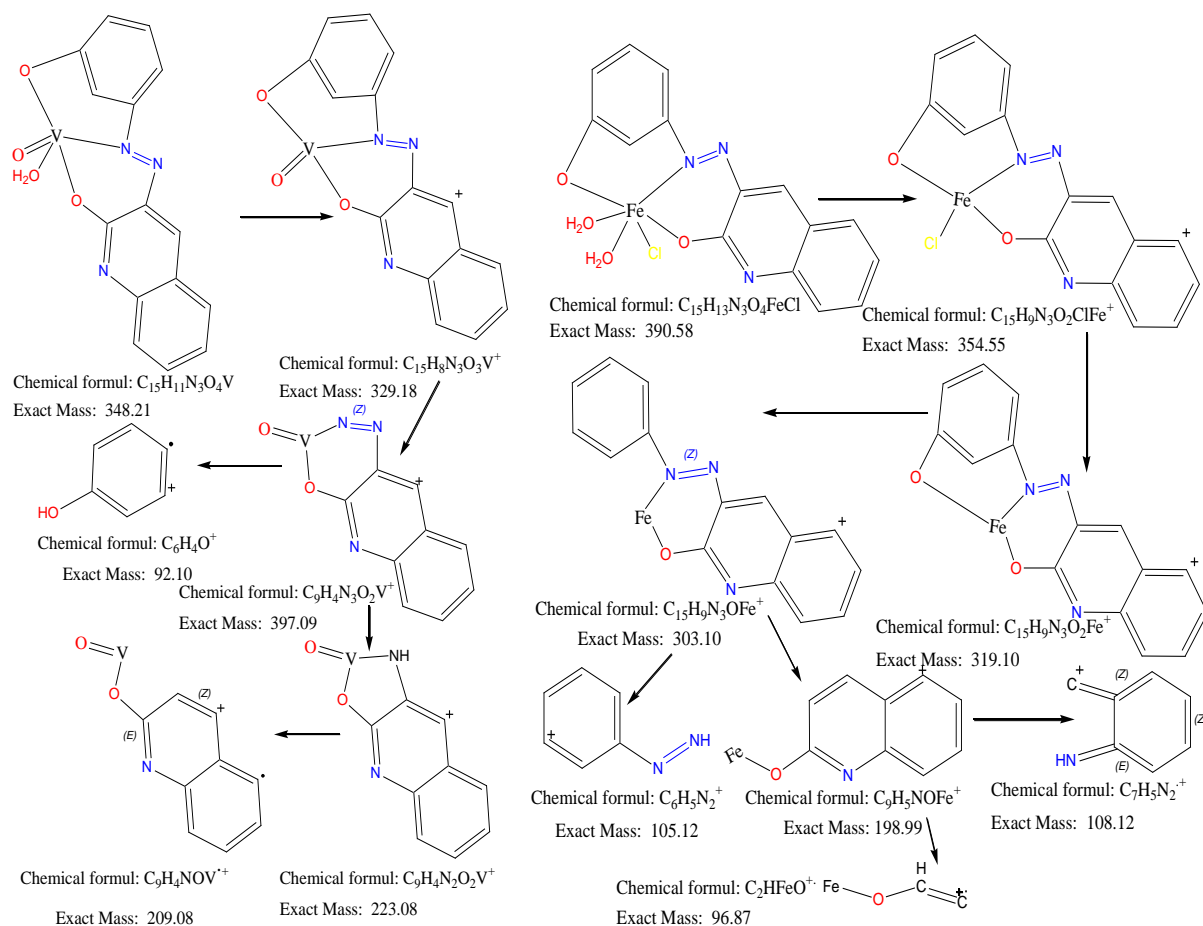


Figure 4: Mass spectrum of Cdcomplex







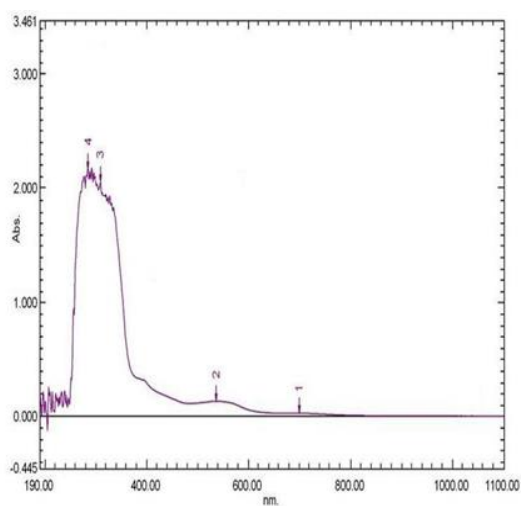
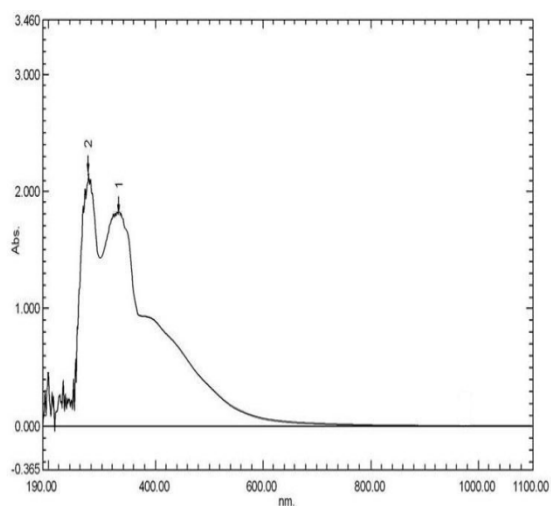
**Scheme 2:** Pattern of fragmentation of ligand and their complexes

### 3.4. The ligand ( $H_2L$ ) and its complexes are studied by UV-Vis

The electronic spectrum for ligand ( $H_2L$ ) in Figure 5 exhibits strong absorptions at 275 nm and  $36363.64\text{cm}^{-1}$  ascribed to the  $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$  transition and a peak at 350 nm and  $28571.43\text{cm}^{-1}$  attributed to the  $n \rightarrow \pi^*$  transition, a peak with a high intensity band formed with absorption maxima [15]. The electronic transition of the  $V^{+4}$  complex depicts peaks of 280, 345, 390, 620, and 780 nm assigned to  $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$ ,  $n \rightarrow \pi^*$ ,  ${}^2B_{2g} \rightarrow {}^2E_g$ , and  ${}^2B_{2g} \rightarrow {}^2B_{1g}$ , respectively, which is indicative of a square pyramidal geometry. The electronic spectrum of the divalent zinc compound was studied, and it was found that it does not give d-d transitions because it contains ( $d^{10}$ ) in the valence shell. However, it gave two peaks, each belonging to the ligand spectrum: peaks at 290 nm and 470 nm assigned to  $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$  and  $n \rightarrow \pi^*$ , respectively, which is indicative of a tetrahedral. The electronic spectrum of the  $Cd^{+2}$  compound was studied, and it was found that it does not give d-d transitions because it contains ( $d^{10}$ ) in the valence shell, but it gave three peaks, each belonging to the ligand spectrum, peaks in 255, 340, and 390 nm assigned to  $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$ ,  $n \rightarrow \pi^*$ , and C.T.  $M \rightarrow L$ , respectively, which is indicative of a tetrahedral. The electronic absorption of  $Mn^{2+}$  complex exhibited peaks of 235, 295, 325, 595, and 785 nm ascribed to the  $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$ ,  $n \rightarrow \pi^*$ , C.T.  $M \rightarrow L$ ,  ${}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4E_{g(G)}$ ,  ${}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{2g(G)}$ ,  ${}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{1g(G)}$ , and  ${}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{2g(D)}$ , respectively, which is indicative of a tetrahedral. The electronic transition of  $Fe^{+3}$  complex show in Figure 6 exhibited peaks of 270, 310, 545, and 720 nm assigned to  $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$ ,  $n \rightarrow \pi^*$ , C.T.  $M \rightarrow L$ ,  ${}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{2g(G)}$ ,  ${}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{1g(G)}$ , and  ${}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4E_{g(D)}$ , respectively, which is indicative of an octahedral geometry. Table 2 displays the electronic assignment of metal complexes [16, 17]. All complexes are non-electrolytes.

**Table 2:** The ligand (H<sub>2</sub>L) and its complexes are studied by UV-Vis

| Compound                                 | $\lambda$ nm                    | $\nu$ cm <sup>-1</sup>                                   | Abs                                       | $\epsilon_{\text{max}}$ Lmol <sup>-1</sup> cm <sup>-1</sup> | Assignment  | $\mu_{\text{eff}}$ (B.M) found (calculate) | Hybridization                  | Distribution  |
|--|---------------------------------|--|---|---|---|--|--------------------------------|---------------|
| Ligand H <sub>2</sub> L                  | 275<br>350                      | 36363.64<br>28571.43                                     | 1.89<br>2.13                              | 1890<br>2130  | $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$<br>$n \rightarrow \pi^*$  |  |                                |               |
| [VO(L)H <sub>2</sub> O] Square pyramidal | 280<br>345<br>390<br>620<br>780 | 35714.29<br>28985.51<br>25641.03<br>16129.03<br>12820.51 | 1.200<br>1.120<br>0.400<br>0.260<br>0.250 | 1200<br>1120<br>400<br>260<br>250                           | $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$<br>$n \rightarrow \pi^*$<br>C.T<br>${}^2B_{2g} \rightarrow {}^2E_g$<br>${}^2B_{2g} \rightarrow {}^2B_{1g}$          | 1.81 (1.73)                                | dsp <sup>3</sup>               | $t_2g^1e_g^0$ |
| [Mn(L)H <sub>2</sub> O] Tetrahedral      | 235<br>295<br>325<br>595<br>785 | 42553.19<br>33898.31<br>30769.23<br>16806.72<br>12738.85 | 2.125<br>1.895<br>0.890<br>0.625<br>0.595 | 2125<br>1895<br>890<br>625<br>595                           | $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$<br>$n \rightarrow \pi^*$<br>C.TM→L<br>${}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4E_g(G)$<br>${}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{2g}(G)$ | 5.44 (5.91)                                | SP <sup>3</sup>                | $e^2t_2^3$    |
| [Fe(L)H <sub>2</sub> OCl] Octahedral     | 270<br>310<br>545<br>720        | 37037.04<br>32258.06<br>18348.62<br>13888.89             | 2.115<br>1.998<br>0.250<br>0.125          | 2115<br>1998<br>250<br>125                                  | $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$<br>$n \rightarrow \pi^*$<br>${}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4E_g(G)$<br>${}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{2g}(G)$           | 5.17 (5.91)                                | SP <sup>3</sup> d <sup>2</sup> | $T_2g^3e_g^2$ |
| [Zn(L)H <sub>2</sub> O] Tetrahedral      | 290<br>470                      | 34482.76<br>2127.66                                      | 2.315<br>0.525                            | 2315<br>525   | $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$<br>$n \rightarrow \pi^*$  | Diamagnetic (0)                            | SP <sup>3</sup>                | $e^4t_2^6$    |
| [Cd(L)H <sub>2</sub> O] Tetrahedral      | 255<br>340<br>390               | 39215.69<br>29411.76<br>25641.03                         | 2.120<br>1.980<br>0.890                   | 2120<br>1980<br>890   | $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$<br>$n \rightarrow \pi^*$<br>C.T M→L   | Diamagnetic (0)                            | SP <sup>3</sup>                | $e^4t_2^6$    |

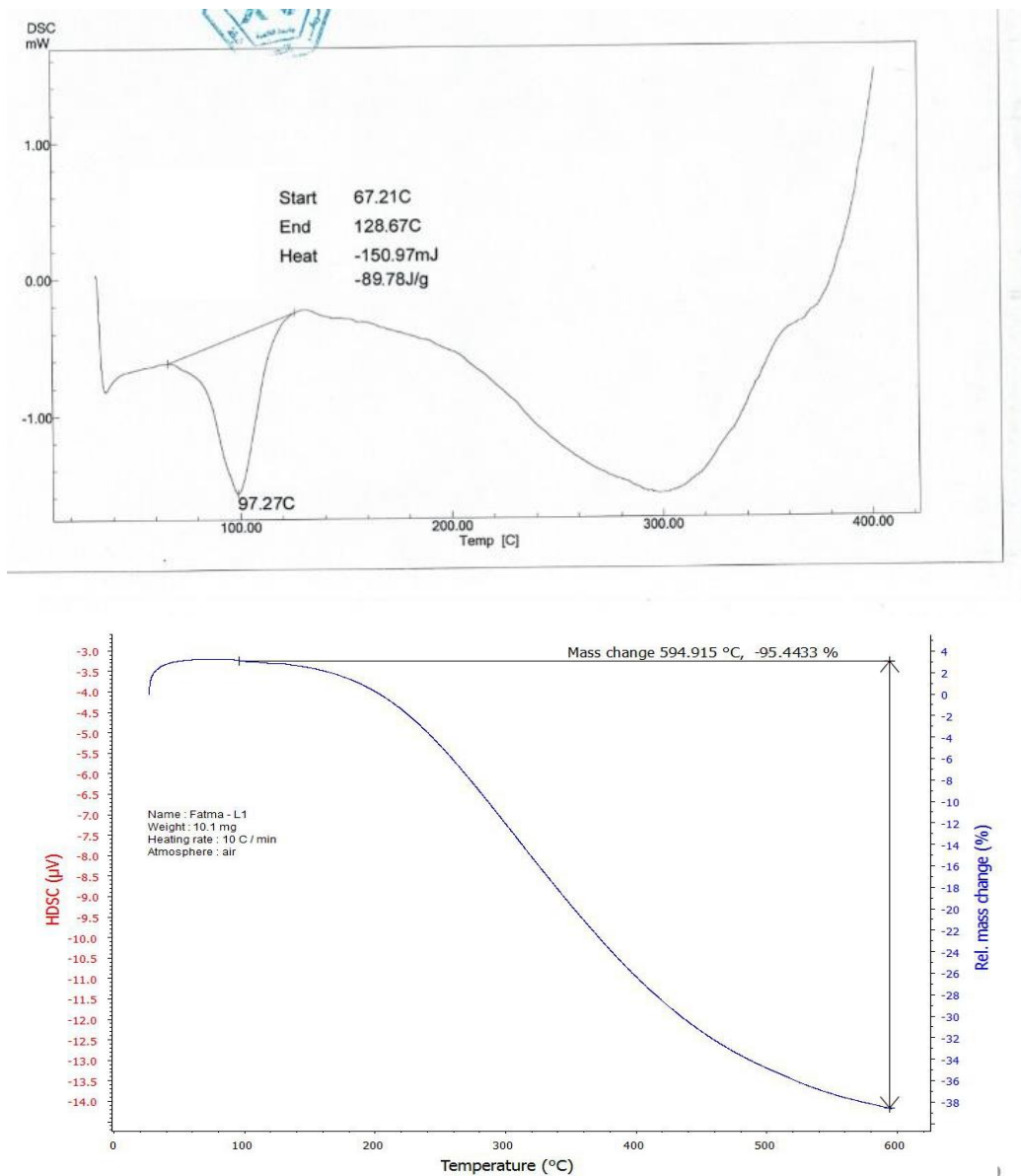


**Figure 5** UV-Vis spectrum of ligand (H<sub>2</sub>L) **Figure6-** UV-Vis spectrum of Fe-complex

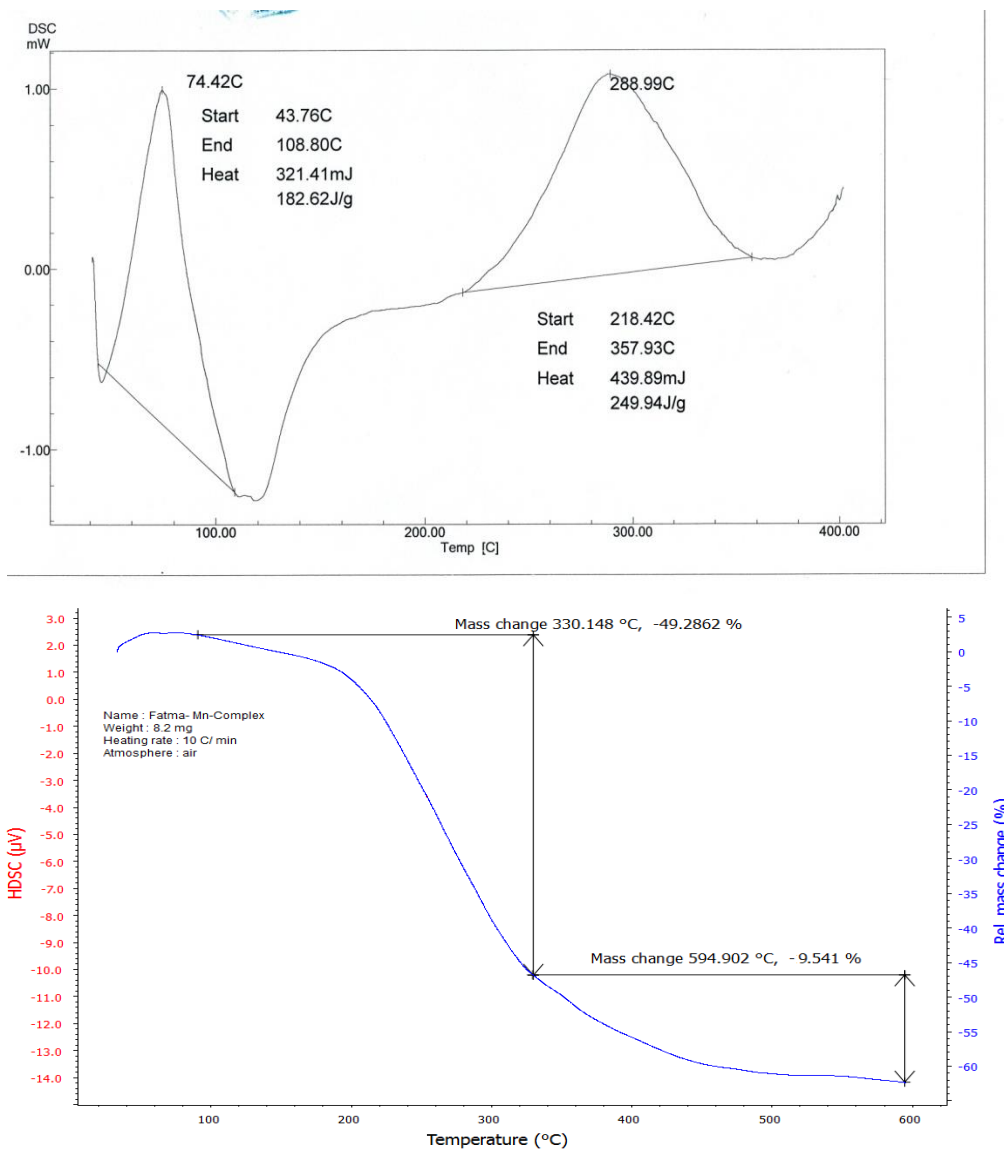
### 3.5. Thermal analysis

The results of the thermal analysis can be seen in Tables 4 and 5 and in Figures 7 and 8 for the ligand (H<sub>2</sub>L) and the complexes that were made [18]. Scheme 8 outlines the potential breakdown response of metal complexes. Based on the thermograms, computations of the decomposition phases, temperature ranges, decomposition products, and weight loss complex percentages indicated consistency. That verifies the elemental analysis findings and recommended equations between their thermal decomposition results and computed

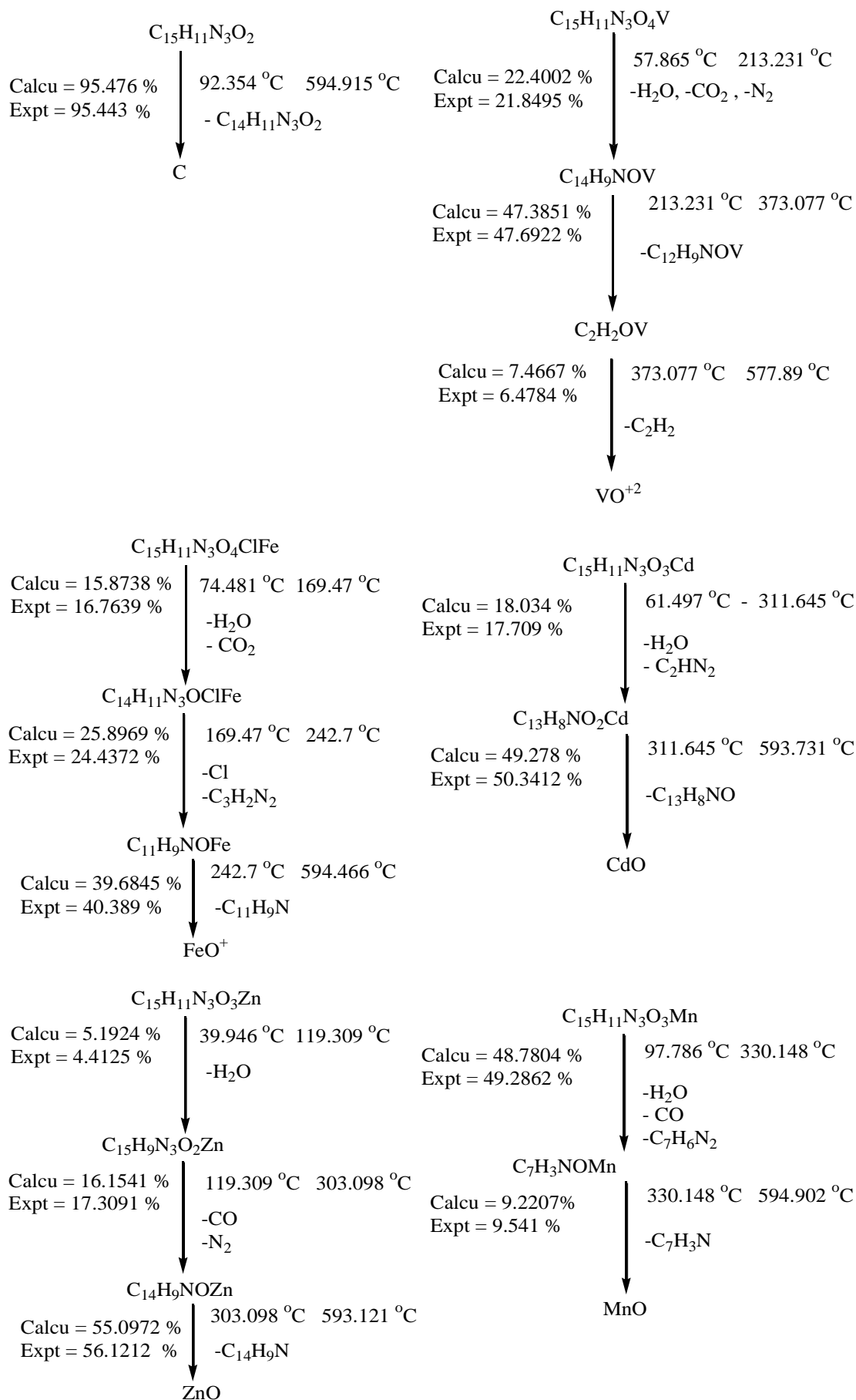
values[10].In this work, it was noted that in the ligand and metal complexes of  $V^{+4}$ ,  $Fe^{+3}$ ,  $Zn^{+2}$ ,  $Cd^{+2}$ , and  $Mn^{+2}$ , the remaining ligand was carbon and the remaining metal oxide. Based on the results of the thermogravimetric studies, it can be shown that the complexes and the ligand form one to three distinct phases.Using the DCS curve, the thermodynamic parameters enthalpy  $\Delta H$ , entropy  $\Delta S$  and Gibbs free energy ( $\Delta G$ )were calculated[19].



**Figure 7:** TGA&DSC curve of Ligand (H<sub>2</sub>L)



**Figure 8:** TGA&DSC curve of MnComplex



**Scheme 8:** Tentative decomposition reaction of ligand and metal complexes

**Table3:** Thermal decomposition DSC of Ligand and some complexes

| Compound                    | T <sub>i</sub> /°C | T <sub>f</sub> /°C | Maximum temperature point (°C) | ΔH (J/g) | ΔS (J)  | ΔG (J)   | Type        |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|----------|---------|----------|-------------|
| H <sub>2</sub> L            | 67.21              | 128.67             | 97.27                          | -89.78   | -1.4608 | 52.31    | endothermic |
| [Fe(L)(H <sub>2</sub> O)Cl] | 105.94             | 112.21             | 316.57                         | -1.19    | -0.178  | 55.159   | endothermic |
|                             | 156.16             | 159.31             |                                | -0.79    | -0.251  | 78.669   | endothermic |
|                             | 314.05             | 319.44             |                                | -2.78    | -0.515  | 160.256  | endothermic |
| [Zn(L)H <sub>2</sub> O]     | 263.32             | 276.00             | 257.72                         | -36.90   | -2.910  | 713.065  | endothermic |
|                             | 278.01             | 287.47             | 270.71                         | -11.55   | -1.220  | 331.379  | endothermic |
|                             |                    |                    | 281.09                         |          |         |          |             |
| [Mn(L)H <sub>2</sub> O]     | 43.76              | 108.80             | 74.42                          | 182.62   | 2.807   | 49.512   | endothermic |
|                             | 218.42             | 357.93             | 288.99                         | 249.94   | 1.791   | -267.641 | exothermic  |
| [Cd(L)H <sub>2</sub> O]     | 387.65             | 395.13             | 392.40                         | -3.03    | -0.405  | 155.892  | endothermic |
| [VO(L)H <sub>2</sub> O]     | 46.17              | 63.49              | 56.51                          | -1.63    | -0.094  | 5.2179   | endothermic |
|                             | 60.34              | 98.63              | 76.54                          | -24.35   | -0.635  | 24.252   | endothermic |
|                             | 172.41             | 257.74             | 223.54                         | 54.84    | 0.642   | -88.673  | exothermic  |
|                             | 324.45             | 334.99             | 332.57                         | -1.75    | -0.166  | 53.456   | endothermic |

**Table 4:** TGA data of the ligand H<sub>2</sub>Landsome complexes

| Compound  | Step | T <sub>i</sub> /°C | T <sub>f</sub> /°C | Weight mass loss% |          | Reaction   |
|---|------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|----------|--|
|   |      |                    |                    | Calc              | Found    |  |
| Ligand  | 1    | 92.354°C           | 594.915°C          | 95.476%           | 95.443%  | -C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>11</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>2</sub> |
|   |      |                    |                    |                   |          | C  |
| Calculated: 95.476% , Final= 4.524%, Estimated95.443% Final=4.557%            |      |                    |                    |                   |          |  |
| Cd-complex  | 1    | 61.497°C           | 311.645°C          | 18.034%           | 17.709%  | -H <sub>2</sub> O-C <sub>2</sub> HN <sub>2</sub>               |
|   |      |                    |                    |                   |          | -C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>8</sub> NO                             |
|   | 2    | 311.645°C          | 593.731°C          | 49.278%           | 50.3412% | CdO  |
| Calculated: 67.312% Final= 32.688% Estimated 68.0502% Final 31.9498%          |      |                    |                    |                   |          |  |
| Mn-complex  | 1    | 97.786°C           | 330.148°C          | 48.7804%          | 49.2862% | -H <sub>2</sub> O, -CO   |
|   |      |                    |                    |                   |          | -C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>6</sub> N <sub>2</sub>                  |
|   | 2    | 330.148°C          | 594.902°C          | 9.2207%           | 9.541%   | -C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>3</sub> N                               |
|   |      |                    |                    |                   |          | MnO  |
| Calculated:58.0011% Final 41.9989% Estimated 58.8272% Final=41.1728%          |      |                    |                    |                   |          |  |
| V-complex   | 1    | 57.865°C           | 213.231°C          | 22.4002%          | 21.8495% | -H <sub>2</sub> O-CO <sub>2</sub>                              |
|   |      |                    |                    |                   |          | -N <sub>2</sub>  |
|   |      |                    |                    |                   |          | -C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>9</sub> NO                             |
|   | 2    | 213.231°C          | 373.077°C          | 47.3851%          | 47.6922% |  |
|   | 3    | 373.077°C          | 577.89°C           | 7.4667%           | 6.4784%  | -C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub>                                 |
|   |      |                    |                    |                   |          | VO <sup>+2</sup>   |
| Calculated: 77.252% Final= 22.748% Estimated 71.8796% Final=28.1204% 28.1204% |      |                    |                    |                   |          |  |
| Fe-complex  | 1    | 74.481°C           | 169.47°C           | 15.8738%          | 16.7639% | -H <sub>2</sub> O-CO <sub>2</sub>                              |
|   |      |                    |                    |                   |          | -Cl, -C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub>             |
|   |      |                    |                    |                   |          | -C <sub>11</sub> H <sub>9</sub> N                              |
|   | 2    | 16.47°C            | 242.7°C            | 25.8969%          | 24.4372% |  |
|   | 3    | 242.7°C            | 594.466°C          | 39.6845%          | 40.389%  | FeO <sup>+</sup>   |
| Calculated: 81.4552% Final= 18.5448% Estimated 81.5901% Final=18.4099%        |      |                    |                    |                   |          |  |
| Zn-complex  | 1    | 39.946°C           | 119.309°C          | 5.1924%           | 4.4125%  | -H <sub>2</sub> O  |
|   |      |                    |                    |                   |          | -CO -N <sub>2</sub>  |
|   |      |                    |                    |                   |          | -C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>9</sub> N                              |
|   | 2    | 119.309°C          | 303.098°C          | 16.1541%          | 17.3091% |  |
|   | 3    | 303.098°C          | 593.121°C          | 55.0972%          | 56.1212% | ZnO  |
| Calculated: 76.4437% Final=23.5563% Estimated 77.8428% Final=22.1572%         |      |                    |                    |                   |          |  |

### 3.6. Infrared spectra

The infrared spectra of ligand  $H_2L$  and its metal complexes were recorded with  $Cd^{+2}$ ,  $Zn^{+2}$ ,  $Fe^{+3}$ ,  $Mn^{+2}$ , and  $V^{+4}$ , and the data has been organized in Table 5. The ligand showed bands at 3477, 3167, 1546-1600, and  $1257\text{cm}^{-1}$  that were ascribed to the stretching vibrations of O-H, C-H aromatic, C=C aromatic, and C-O [20]. The infrared spectrum of the ligand showed a medium-intensity stretch band at frequency  $1352\text{cm}^{-1}$ , which was attributed to the vibration frequencies of the double bond N=N (Figure 9). The FT-IR spectra of all the prepared compounds showed that the azo-dye ligand was coupled to metal ions through two sites: the oxygen site *via* deprotonation of the phenolic group and the nitrogen site of the azo group [21]. New bands belonging to M-N appeared at 611, 617, 621, 615, and  $619\text{cm}^{-1}$  for the  $V^{+4}$ ,  $Mn^{+2}$ ,  $Cd^{+2}$ ,  $Zn^{+2}$ , and  $Fe^{+3}$  complexes, respectively. M-O at 457, 462, 460, and  $450\text{cm}^{-1}$  for the complexes  $V^{+4}$ ,  $Mn^{+2}$ ,  $Cd^{+2}$ ,  $Zn^{+2}$ , and  $Fe^{+3}$ , respectively. M-Cl at  $385\text{cm}^{-1}$  for the  $Fe^{+3}$  complex [22].

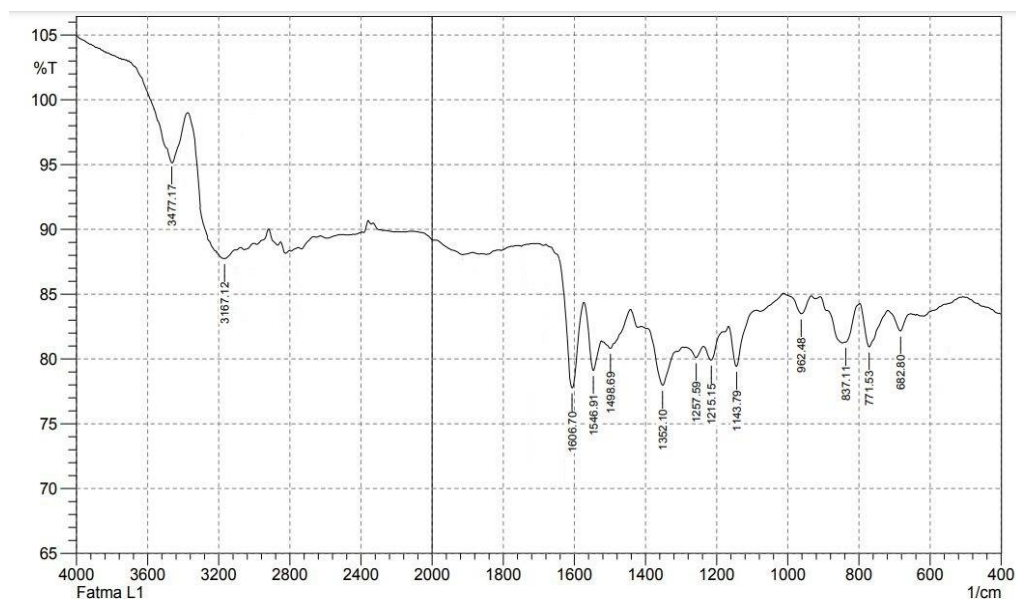


Figure 9: FT-IR spectrum of ligand ( $H_2L$ )

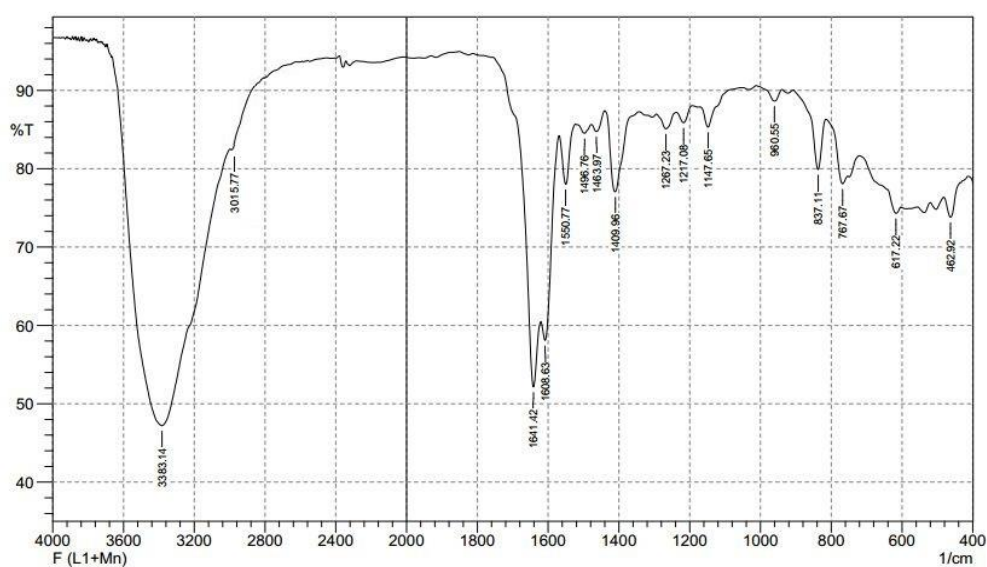


Figure 10 FT-IR spectrum of Mn complex

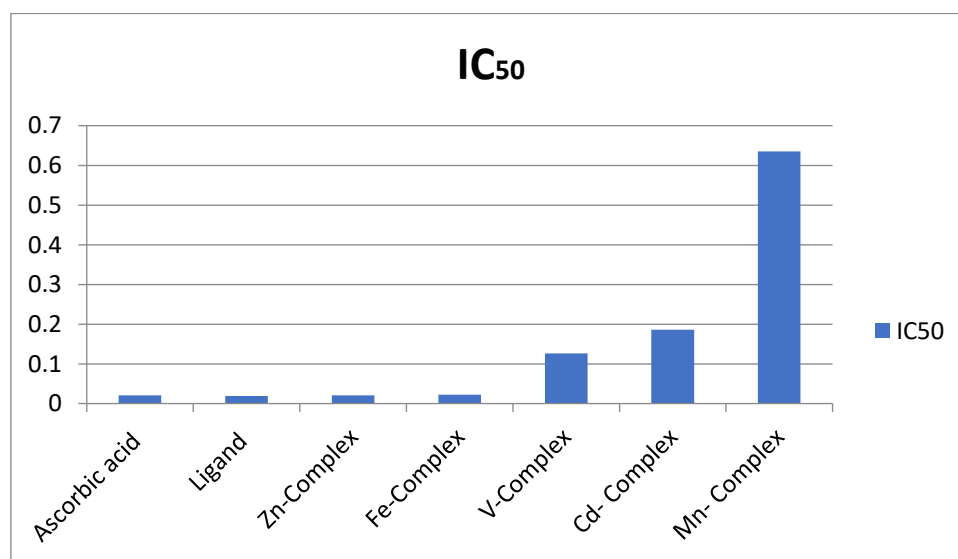


**Table 5:** The FT-IR spectra bands (cm<sup>-1</sup>) of the ligand and its complexes

| Compound                    | v(H <sub>2</sub> O) aqua | v(C-H) aromatic | v(C-O) | v(N=N) | Other bands                          |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|--------|--------|--------------------------------------|
| H <sub>2</sub> L            | -                        | 3167            | 1257   | 1352   |                                      |
| [VO(L)H <sub>2</sub> O]     | 3410<br>1643<br>835      | 3169            | 1213   | 1419   | 611(V-N)<br>457(V-O)<br>979(V=O)     |
| [Mn(L)H <sub>2</sub> O]     | 3383<br>1641<br>837      | 3015            | 1217   | 1409   | 462(Mn-O)<br>617(Mn-N)               |
| [Zn(L)H <sub>2</sub> O]     | 3400<br>1640<br>834      | 3100            | 1220   | 1400   | 615(Zn-N)<br>460(Zn-O)               |
| [Fe(L)(H <sub>2</sub> O)Cl] | 3385<br>1645<br>830      | 3050            | 1215   | 1415   | 619(Fe-N)<br>450(Fe-O)<br>385(Fe-Cl) |
| [Cd(L)H <sub>2</sub> O]     | 3388<br>1642<br>828      | 3160            | 1218   | 1412   | 621(Cd-N)<br>458(Cd-O)               |

*3.7. Investigation of antioxidant activity*

The antioxidant activity of H<sub>2</sub>L and its mineral complexes was measured by ascorbic acid, and the DPPH assay was used to scavenge free radicals. Initially, each sample was diluted with the same volume of methyl alcohol, and then it was mixed with the same volume of a concentrated 0.135 mM DPPH solution. After adding the DPPH solution [23], the samples were kept at room temperature in the dark for 30 minutes. The absorbance of each sample was then determined to be 517 nm. The lower the IC<sub>50</sub> value of the complexes compared to ascorbic acid, the greater their ability to suppress free radicals. As the ligand was the most effective free radical inhibitor, followed by zinc, which has the same value as ascorbic acid, followed by iron, vanadium, cadmium, and manganese [24,25], the values of IC<sub>50</sub> are as follows: H<sub>2</sub>L > D-ascorbic acid > Zn-complex > Fe-complex > V-complex > Cd-complex > Mn-complex (Figure 11).



**Figure 11:** Variations of IC<sub>50</sub> values for H<sub>2</sub>L ligand and its complexes

**Table 6:** The antioxidant results (PI%, RSA% and IC<sub>50</sub>) of H<sub>2</sub>L and their metal complexes

| Compound               | Concentration (mg/mL) | PI (%) | RSA (%) | IC <sub>50</sub> (mg/mL) |
|------------------------|-----------------------|--------|---------|--------------------------|
| Ascorbic acid          | 0.374                 | 12.29  | 87.80   | 0.021                    |
|                        | 0.186                 | 36.75  | 63.25   |                          |
|                        | 0.03                  | 58.74  | 41.26   |                          |
| LigandH <sub>2</sub> L | 0.375                 | 18.37  | 81.63   | 0.019                    |
|                        | 0.186                 | 42.18  | 57.82   |                          |
|                        | 0.093                 | 64.17  | 35.83   |                          |
|                        | 0.046                 | 77.91  | 22.09   |                          |
| Zn- complex            | 0.113                 | 20.14  | 79.86   | 0.021                    |
|                        | 0.057                 | 43.95  | 56.05   |                          |
|                        | 0.028                 | 65.94  | 34.06   |                          |
|                        | 0.014                 | 79.68  | 20.32   |                          |
| Fe-complex             | 0.374                 | 15.27  | 85.19   | 0.022                    |
|                        | 0.186                 | 39.08  | 62.07   |                          |
|                        | 0.093                 | 61.07  | 40.74   |                          |
|                        | 0.046                 | 74.81  | 27.41   |                          |
| V-complex              | 0.374                 | 42.86  | 57.14   | 0.126                    |
|                        | 0.186                 | 46.72  | 53.28   |                          |
|                        | 0.093                 | 60.48  | 39.52   |                          |
|                        | 0.046                 | 69.36  | 30.64   |                          |
| Cd- complex            | 0.113                 | 67.48  | 32.52   | 0.186                    |
|                        | 0.057                 | 82.38  | 17.62   |                          |
|                        | 0.028                 | 97.28  | 2.72    |                          |
|                        | 0.014                 | 99.14  | 0.86    |                          |
| Mn-Complex             | 2.326                 | 68.49  | 31.51   | 0.635                    |
|                        | 1.285                 | 87.54  | 12.46   |                          |
|                        | 0.764                 | 91.98  | 8.02    |                          |
|                        | 0.503                 | 96.14  | 3.86    |                          |

#### 4. Conclusion

A novel azo ligand was prepared *via* the reaction of the diazonium salt of 3-aminophenol with 2-hydroxyquinoline. This ligand was then employed to access new complexes with different metals. These complexes were identified using a number of analytical techniques, such as elemental microanalysis, metal chloride-containing, electrical conductivity measurement, magnetic susceptibility, <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR, FT-IR, and UV-Vis spectroscopy. Calculations of the thermodynamic parameters  $\Delta H$ ,  $\Delta S$ , and  $\Delta G$  were made using the DCS curve, and the atomic N, O, and O tridentate coordination sites in the ligand were identified by comparing their FT-IR spectra to those of the metal complexes. The M:L ratio in every compound was 1:1. The dye used the complexes prepared from it to determine their ability to inhibit free radicals by measuring their ability as antioxidants using DPPH as a free radical and D-ascorbic acid as a standard substance and determining the value of IC<sub>50</sub>. The ligand exhibited a significant capacity to suppress free radicals, and its ability to inhibit the complexes varied depending on the IC<sub>50</sub> value. The results are as follows: H<sub>2</sub>L > D-ascorbic acid > Zn-complex > Fe-complex > V-complex > Cd-complex > Mn-complex.

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