

are expected to involve macrocycle oxidation and oxidation of Ni^{II} to Ni^{III}, in analogy with Ni(OEP),⁵⁹ but further investigation is required in order to make assignments. Unlike M(OEP), the second reductions of M(5) (except for M = Mg) are accessible. The first reduction of Mg(5) is chemically reversible only at scan speeds in excess of 200 mV/s.

The potentials of H₂(11) included in Table V are quite similar to those of H₂(OEC)³¹ but differ significantly from those of H₂(5). The second oxidation of 11 is totally irreversible. After scanning through this wave, one observes a small unidentified reduction peak at 0.93 V (ECE process) but no reduction of H₂(11)⁺. Loss of H⁺ from the reduced ring β-carbon or from the hydroxyl group of H₂(11)²⁺ are possible explanations of these observations. The former reaction is consistent with the behavior of β-hydrogenated hydroporphyrins.³¹

Conclusions. The results of this investigation of free-base β-oxoporphyrins and metallo-β-oxoporphyrins lead to the following conclusions:

(i) The oxoporphyrin structure type has been confirmed by X-ray structural means.

(ii) The conformations of Ni(5) in the solid state deviate from planarity to a lesser extent than those of nickel complexes of hydroporphyrins.

(iii) The carbonyl groups of oxoporphyrins are rather unreactive. Conjugation of the carbonyl to the macrocycle π-system and steric effects may contribute.

(iv) The potentials of the oxidations of oxoporphyrins are similar to those of porphyrins.

(v) The potentials of the reductions become progressively more positive than those of porphyrins and hydroporphyrins as more carbonyl groups are introduced.

(vi) Oxoporphyrins and hydroporphyrins are structurally, electronically, and chemically distinct.

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Ligand-Addition Reactions of Indium(III) Porphyrins. Reactions of (OEP)InX and (TPP)InX with *N*-Methylimidazole and Pyridine

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The reactions of *N*-methylimidazole (*N*-MeIm) and pyridine with (P)In(X), where P is either the dianion of octaethylporphyrin (OEP) or the dianion of tetraphenylporphyrin (TPP) and X is Cl⁻, OAc⁻, SO₃Ph⁻, or SO₃CH₃⁻, were monitored by ¹H NMR, electronic absorption spectroscopy, and conductivity measurements. All three methods were self-consistent in demonstrating the stepwise formation of hexacoordinated monomeric In-porphyrin species of the type (P)InX(L) and [(P)In(L)₂]⁺, where L = pyridine or *N*-MeIm. Equilibrium constants for the ligand-addition reactions of (P)InX and (P)InX(L) were also calculated from the electronic absorption spectra. This is the first time that monomeric, hexacoordinated In(III) porphyrins have been reported.

Introduction

Indium(III) porphyrins of the type (P)InX¹⁻⁵ and (P)In(R)⁶⁻⁹ have been characterized, where P is the dianion of tetraphenylporphyrin (TPP) or octaethylporphyrin (OEP), X is an anionic ligand, and R is one of several different σ-bonded alkyl or aryl groups. Bimetallic indium porphyrins of the form (P)InM'(L)_n have also been reported, where M'(L)_n is an axial ligand of the type M(CO)_x(η⁵-C₅H₅)_y.^{10,11} For the last series of compounds,

the indium oxidation state is not known but bimetallic (P)InW-(CO)₃Cp has been postulated to contain In(I).¹²

In two recent papers we reported the electrochemistry of ionic¹³ and σ-bonded¹⁴ In(III) porphyrins in methylene chloride and benzonitrile. In these nonbonding solvents the In(III) atom is invariably five-coordinate. Six-coordinate In(III) complexes have been characterized in the solid state,¹⁵⁻¹⁷ but such coordination has never been reported for monomeric In(III) porphyrins, which

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have only been characterized in solution as five-coordinate species. However, no detailed studies of ligand addition to group 13 porphyrins have ever been reported. Thus, it is of interest to see if six-coordinate indium(III) porphyrins can be produced in solution with the appropriate selection of anion and coordinating ligand. This indeed is the case, as we report in this publication.

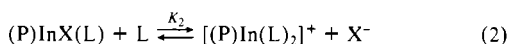
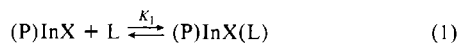
We have selected for our initial investigation the reactions of *N*-methylimidazole (*N*-MeIm) and pyridine (py) with (P)InX, where P = OEP or TPP and X = Cl⁻, OAc⁻, SO₃Ph⁻, or SO₃CH₃⁻. All eight In(III) complexes are ionic, and the structures of (OEP)InOAc and (TPP)InSO₃CH₃ have been reported.^{5,9} The former compound is bidentate while the latter is polymeric in the solid state. However, only monomeric (P)InSO₃CH₃ is present in solutions containing low porphyrin concentrations. Under these conditions, the SO₃R⁻ group behaves as a weak-binding anion similar to ClO₄⁻ or PF₆⁻.

Experimental Section

Instrumentation. Electronic absorption spectra were recorded with a Tracor Northern 1710 holographic optical spectrometer/multichannel analyzer or an IBM 9430 spectrophotometer. IR spectra were performed on a Perkin-Elmer 1330 spectrometer. Samples were 1% dispersions in CsI pellets. ¹H NMR spectra were performed on a Nicolet FT 300. Samples were typically 3–4 mg/0.5 mL of solvent, CD₂Cl₂, C₆D₆, or pyridine-*d*₅. An IBM PC/AT computer was used for computation of the stability constants from the raw spectrophotometric data. Solution conductances were determined with a Metrohm A.G. Herisaur Model EA655 cell and a Model 31 YSI conductivity bridge. Measurements were taken at 20.0 ± 0.5 °C.

Chemicals. Electronic absorption spectra were recorded in solutions containing 0.1 M tetrabutylammonium perchlorate (TBAP) (Fluka). This salt was utilized in order to compare data from this study with other spectral data under electrochemical conditions. The TBAP was recrystallized twice from ethanol, dried, and stored under vacuum until use. HPLC grade methylene chloride (CH₂Cl₂) was distilled over CaH₂ prior to use. *N*-Methylimidazole (*N*-MeIm) was vacuum distilled and stored under argon. Pyridine (py) was refluxed over CaH₂ and then distilled over CaH₂ under a nitrogen atmosphere prior to use. CD₂Cl₂, C₆D₆, and pyridine-*d*₅ were purchased from Aldrich. (TPP)InCl and (OEP)InCl were synthesized according to literature procedures.² (P)In(O₂CCH₃) was synthesized by hydrolysis of the In–C σ bond of (P)InCH₃⁹ with CH₃COOH, and the final isolated complex was recrystallized from a toluene/hexane mixture. The SO₃R⁻ derivatives were synthesized by a method modified from that previously reported.⁵ A typical preparation is described as follows: SO₂ gas was passed through anhydrous CH₂Cl₂ solutions of (P)In(R) at –18 °C for 1 h. The CH₂Cl₂ was removed by vacuum techniques, and toluene was added to the resulting solid. The (P)InSO₂R was oxidized to (P)InSO₃R by addition of O₂ to the toluene solution. The final product was recrystallized from toluene/hexane mixtures. The purity of the acetate and sulfonate derivatives was checked by a comparison of ¹H NMR, IR, and UV–visible spectroscopy results with reported literature values.^{5,9}

Methods. Ligand-addition reactions were monitored by changes in the electronic absorption spectra of the complexes, and formation constants for addition of *N*-methylimidazole or pyridine to the In(III) complexes were calculated by the Benesi–Hildebrand method.¹⁸ The overall ligand-addition reactions are given by eq 1 and 2, where L = *N*-MeIm or py.



Results and Discussion

Formation of (P)InSO₃R(*N*-MeIm) and [(P)In(*N*-MeIm)₂]⁺. The reactions of *N*-MeIm with (P)InSO₃R were monitored by ¹H NMR, conductivity, and electronic absorption spectroscopy. Studies of the four metalloporphyrins by the three techniques gave internally self-consistent results that are in agreement with the successive formation of mono and the bis *N*-MeIm adducts to (P)InSO₃R.

The formation of (P)InSO₃Ph(*N*-MeIm) rather than [(P)In(*N*-MeIm)₂]⁺ is evident from the ¹H NMR spectra, which were obtained during a titration of (P)InSO₃Ph with *N*-MeIm. These

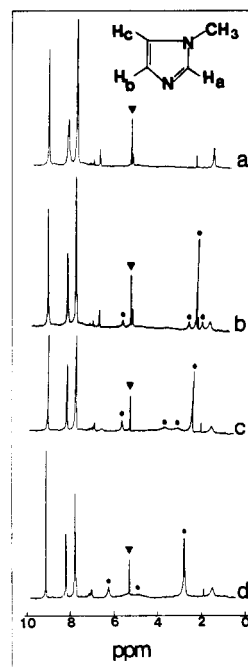


Figure 1. ¹H NMR spectra of (TPP)InSO₃Ph, 10⁻³ M in CD₂Cl₂, containing the following amounts of *N*-MeIm: (a) none; (b) 1 equiv; (c) 2 equiv; (d) 6 equiv. ● indicates the *N*-MeIm protons, and ▼ is the solvent signal. The insert shows the *N*-MeIm labeling.

results are illustrated in Figure 1, which is the ¹H NMR spectra of 10⁻³ M (TPP)InSO₃Ph in CD₂Cl₂ with increasing amounts of *N*-MeIm. In the absence of coordinating ligand, the ¹H NMR spectrum in Figure 1a is obtained. This spectrum is similar to the reported ¹H NMR spectrum of (TPP)InSO₃Ph in CDCl₃.⁵ It is characterized by resonances of the porphyrin protons at 9.12, 8.22, and 7.81 ppm and by resonances for the bound SO₃Ph⁻ group at 5.25, 6.74, and 7.04 ppm. These latter signals have been assigned as the ortho, meta, and para proton resonances of SO₃Ph⁻, respectively.

Upon addition of 1 equiv of *N*-MeIm, no changes in chemical shifts are observed for either the porphyrin or the SO₃Ph⁻ proton resonances. Changes are, however, observed in the resonances of the *N*-MeIm protons. In CD₂Cl₂, uncomplexed *N*-MeIm shows four peaks at 7.36 (H_c), 6.95, 6.86 (H_a, H_b), and 3.62 ppm (CH₃). (See insert in Figure 1a for proton labeling.) The *N*-MeIm proton resonances are shifted upfield in the presence of (TPP)InSO₃R by about 1 ppm to 2.42 ppm for the CH₃ signals and by about 4–5 ppm to 2.15 and 2.76 ppm for the H_a and H_b signals as compared to those for free, uncomplexed *N*-MeIm. The absence of any variation in the SO₃Ph⁻ signal and the dramatic upfield shift of the resonances assigned to the *N*-MeIm protons clearly show that both SO₃Ph⁻ and *N*-MeIm are bound to the In(III) complex after the addition of 1 equiv of *N*-MeIm. Furthermore, hexacoordination of In(III) results in an inequivalence of the porphyrin ortho phenyl protons. Thus, only one broad peak is observed at 8.22 ppm in the absence of *N*-MeIm (Figure 1a) but two sharp peaks at 8.21 and 8.19 ppm are observed in solutions containing 1 equiv of *N*-MeIm (Figure 1b).

Addition of a second equivalent of *N*-MeIm to (TPP)In-(SO₃Ph)₂(*N*-MeIm) (Figure 1c) leads to the complete disappearance of the SO₃Ph⁻ ortho proton signal and a shift of about 0.3 ppm to 6.98 and 7.27 ppm for the meta and para protons of the SO₃Ph⁻ group, respectively. The signal from the ortho protons of the SO₃Ph⁻ group is more sensitive to changes in coordination with the indium atom. The complete disappearance of the signal is interpreted as resulting from a fast ligand exchange between free *N*-MeIm and the SO₃Ph⁻ group on (TPP)In(SO₃Ph)₂(*N*-MeIm). An exchange in these cases is also observed at higher concentrations of *N*-MeIm, but the exchange is only between bound and unbound *N*-MeIm ligands. The signal arising from *N*-MeIm (H_a, H_b) begins to broaden and to move downfield as

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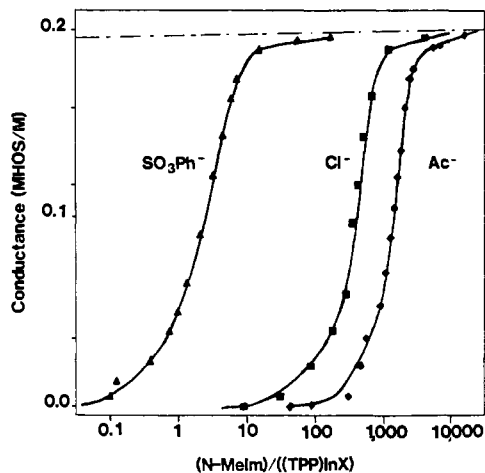


Figure 2. Variation of the equivalent conductance of a 10^{-3} M (TPP)InX solution in CH_2Cl_2 as a function of $N\text{-MeIm}/(\text{TPP})\text{InX}$. The dashed line represents the equivalent conductance of a 1×10^{-3} M solution of TBAP.

the concentration of $N\text{-MeIm}$ is increased. This is shown in Figure 1c,d. A similar exchange between free and complexed ligand has been observed by Kadish and Goff¹⁹ for the addition of pyridine to $[(\text{TPP})\text{Fe}]_2\text{N}$. Similar NMR results were obtained with $(\text{OEP})\text{In}(\text{SO}_3\text{Ph})$ and $N\text{-MeIm}$.

The loss of the bound anionic ligand from In(III) is shown by conductivity measurements of $(\text{P})\text{InX}$ in solutions of different $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/N\text{-MeIm}$ ratios. Figure 2 shows the variation of the conductance for 10^{-3} M solutions of $(\text{TPP})\text{InX}$ in CH_2Cl_2 containing increasing $N\text{-MeIm}/(\text{TPP})\text{InX}$ ratios. In the absence of coordinating ligand the conductivity is zero. However, as $N\text{-MeIm}$ is added to solutions of CH_2Cl_2 , the conductivities of all three porphyrins increase until a limiting value of about $0.20 \Omega^{-1}/\text{M}$ is obtained in each case. The binding strength between the anionic ligand and the In(III) atom increases in the order $\text{SO}_3\text{Ph}^- < \text{Cl}^- < \text{CH}_3\text{CO}_2^-$, and this agrees with the results shown in Figure 2. The weakest interaction is between $[(\text{P})\text{In}]^+$ and SO_3Ph^- , and for $(\text{P})\text{InSO}_3\text{Ph}$, the addition of $N\text{-MeIm}$ occurs at very low ligand concentrations. The addition of 1 equiv leads to some dissociation of SO_3Ph^- , but at least 4 equiv of $N\text{-MeIm}$ are needed for complete dissociation to occur. A similar anion dissociation occurs for $(\text{TPP})\text{InCl}$ and $(\text{TPP})\text{InOAc}$, but for these complexes, an 800–1200-fold excess of $N\text{-MeIm}$ is needed. Thus, both ^1H NMR and conductivity measurements are consistent with the stepwise ligand addition reaction shown in eq 1 and 2.

Formation of $[(\text{P})\text{InSO}_3\text{R}(\text{py})]$ and $[(\text{P})\text{In}(\text{py})_2]^+$. The ^1H NMR spectra of $(\text{TPP})\text{In}(\text{SO}_3\text{Ph})$ in CD_2Cl_2 with different concentrations of pyridine are shown in Figure 3. Figure 3a shows the ^1H NMR spectrum in the absence of pyridine while Figure 3b is the spectrum obtained after addition of 1 equiv of pyridine. Similar to the case of $N\text{-MeIm}$, few changes were observed for the signals from $(\text{TPP})\text{In}(\text{SO}_3\text{Ph})$, but large changes were observed for the pyridine signals. Uncomplexed pyridine in CD_2Cl_2 has signals at 8.55, 7.51, and 7.19 ppm assigned to the ortho, para, and meta protons, respectively. The pyridine ortho proton resonance in Figure 3b is shifted by almost 3 ppm from the uncomplexed signal to 5.74 ppm. Clearly, this indicates formation of a six-coordinate species. Upon further addition of pyridine, the same basic effects are observed as the $N\text{-MeIm}$ case. The most dramatic of the changes is the downfield shift of the pyridine ortho proton signal as the concentration of pyridine is increased. Again, this is due to a fast ligand exchange between the complexed and uncomplexed pyridine ligands. This is shown in Figure 3c,d.

The ^1H NMR spectrum of $(\text{OEP})\text{InSO}_3\text{CH}_3$ in neat pyridine- d_5 clearly shows the formation of $[(\text{OEP})\text{In}(\text{py})_2]^+\text{SO}_3\text{CH}_3^-$ in solution. This is demonstrated in Figure 4, which is the ^1H NMR

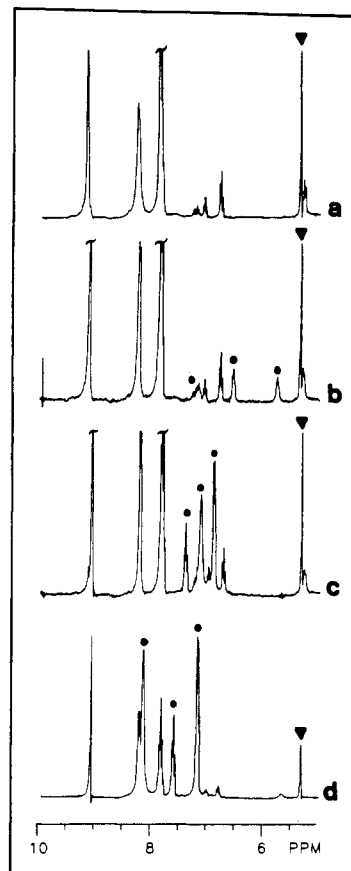


Figure 3. ^1H NMR spectra of $(\text{TPP})\text{InSO}_3\text{Ph}$, 10^{-3} M in CD_2Cl_2 , containing the following amounts of py: (a) none; (b) 1 equiv; (c) 5 equiv; (d) 18 equiv. ● indicates the py protons, and ▼ is the solvent signal.

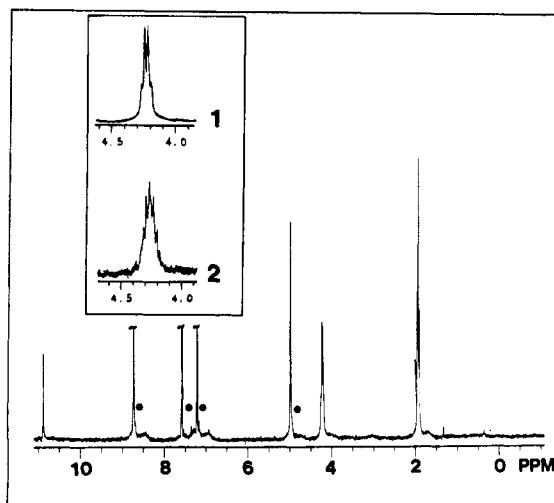


Figure 4. ^1H NMR spectrum of $(\text{OEP})\text{InSO}_3\text{CH}_3$ in pyridine- d_5 . The insert shows the methylene proton signal of $(\text{OEP})\text{InSO}_3\text{CH}_3$ in (1) pyridine- d_5 and (2) CD_2Cl_2 . Marked peaks are signals arising from the solvents.

spectrum of $(\text{OEP})\text{InSO}_3\text{CH}_3$ in pyridine- d_5 . The ^1H NMR of $(\text{OEP})\text{In}(\text{SO}_3\text{CH}_3)$ in CD_2Cl_2 is essentially the same as that reported for CDCl_3 ⁵ and is typical of a metalloporphyrin species.²⁰ The signals at 10.35, 4.18, and 1.93 ppm are due to the octaethylporphyrin proton resonances. The bound SO_3CH_3^- resonance is at -0.36 ppm; nonligated SO_3CH_3^- is observed at 2 ppm. One of the insets in Figure 4 shows the methylene proton signal of $(\text{OEP})\text{In}(\text{SO}_3\text{CH}_3)$ in neat pyridine- d_5 . The main difference

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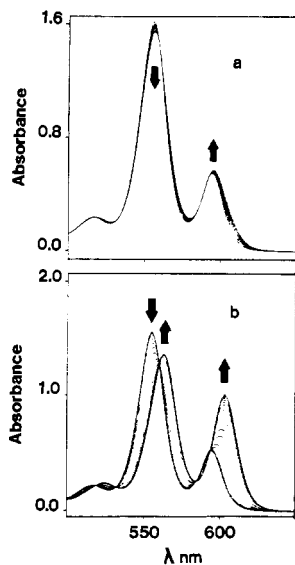


Figure 5. UV-visible spectra taken during the titration of 5×10^{-5} M (TPP)InSO₃Ph by *N*-MeIm in CH₂Cl₂, 0.1 M TBAP: (a) first ligand addition up to 1.1 equiv of *N*-MeIm added; (b) second ligand addition from 2 to 400 equiv of *N*-MeIm added.

between the spectrum in CD₂Cl₂ and that in pyridine-*d*₅ is the downfield shift of the SO₃CH₃⁻ protons from -0.36 ppm to 1.99 ppm. Clearly, the In-SO₃CH₃ bond has been broken and the signal due to the SO₃CH₃⁻ protons is due to uncomplexed SO₃-CH₃⁻.

Busby and Dolphin²¹ have shown that the methylenic protons of the metal-octaethylporphyrin system are anisochronous if the metal does not possess planar symmetry with respect to the porphyrin plane. The signal arising from the methylenic protons of 5×10^{-4} M (OEP)InSO₃CH₃ in CH₂Cl₂ exhibits at least eight peaks resulting from the inequivalence of the two methylenic protons, but in neat pyridine, a well-defined quadruplet is obtained showing the equivalence of the two methylenic protons. (See inserts 1 and 2 of Figure 4.) This implies an equivalence of the porphyrin face and thus a hexacoordination of the In(III) atom. The formulation of the complex as [(OEP)In(py)₂]⁺ follows from the data.

Interaction of (P)InOAc and (P)InCl with Pyridine. No evidence was observed for the binding of pyridine by (P)InOAc or (P)InCl in either CH₂Cl₂/py mixtures or in neat pyridine. The conductivity of these complexes is close to zero in both CH₂Cl₂ and in neat pyridine, as well as in all solutions containing different py/CH₂Cl₂ ratios. This conductivity measurement rules out the dissociation of X⁻ from (P)InX and is consistent with the formation of either (P)InX(py) or (P)InX in neat pyridine. No significant differences are observed between the electronic absorption spectra of a given TPP or OEP complex in pyridine, py/CH₂Cl₂ mixtures, or CH₂Cl₂. Only small changes are observed on formation of (P)InX(*N*-MeIm) so that this is not a reliable criterion for ruling against (P)InX(py) formation. However, the ¹H NMR spectra of (TPP)InCl, (TPP)InOAc, (OEP)InCl, and (OEP)InOAc are virtually identical in CH₂Cl₂ and in pyridine. Also, titration of (OEP)InCl in CD₂Cl₂ with pyridine leads to no change in the (OEP)InCl signals and less than 0.02 ppm variation for the signals of the pyridine protons compared to signals of the free pyridine. All of the results are self-consistent and suggest that there is, at best, a very weak interaction between (P)InOAc or (P)InCl and pyridine. This is not the case for (P)InSO₃R, which may form both mono- and bis(pyridine) adducts depending on the concentration of pyridine.

Monitoring of Ligand Addition by Electronic Absorption Spectra and Calculation of Formation Constants. The titration of 5.0×10^{-5} M (TPP)InSO₃Ph with *N*-MeIm leads first to (TPP)InSO₃Ph(*N*-MeIm) and then to the final species characterized

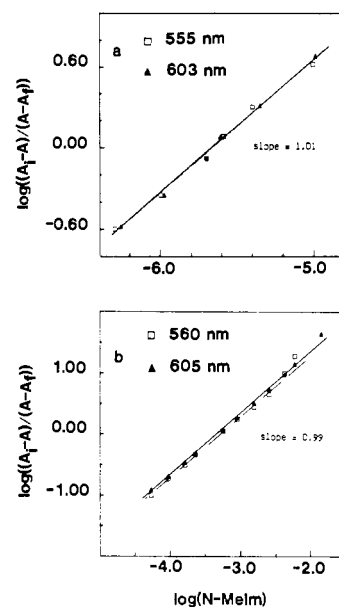


Figure 6. Analysis of spectral data for the titration of (TPP)InSO₃Ph with *N*-MeIm in CH₂Cl₂, 0.1 M TBAP: (a) first ligand addition; (b) second ligand addition. Data taken from Figure 5.

Table I. Stability Constants for Addition of *N*-Methylimidazole and Pyridine to (P)InX in CH₂Cl₂

porphyrin macrocycle	anion, X	<i>N</i> -MeIm		py	
		log K ₁ ^a	log K ₂ ^b	log K ₁	log K ₂ ^b
TPP	SO ₃ Ph ⁻	5.7	3.3	<i>d</i>	1.9
	SO ₃ CH ₃ ⁻	5.5	3.3	<i>d</i>	2.1
	Cl ⁻	<i>e</i>	1.0	NR ^c	NR
	OAc ⁻	<i>e</i>	0.8	NR ^c	NR
OEP	SO ₃ Ph ⁻	5.2	3.0	<i>d</i>	1.7
	SO ₃ CH ₃ ⁻	5.3	3.0	<i>d</i>	1.6
	Cl ⁻	<i>e</i>	1.2	NR ^c	NR
	OAc ⁻	<i>e</i>	0.7	NR ^c	NR

^a Reaction 1; log K ± 0.4. ^b Reaction 2; log K ± 0.2. ^c See text; NR = no reaction. ^d Greater than 4.5 from ¹H NMR data. ^e Greater than 3 from ¹H NMR data.

as [(TPP)In(*N*-MeIm)₂]⁺. The electronic absorption spectrum of (TPP)InSO₃Ph is shown in Figure 5 and is typical of a "normal" metalloporphyrin spectrum.²² The complex has three absorption bands, which are located at 426, 555, and 694 nm. Upon addition of less than 1 equiv of *N*-MeIm, the band at 558 nm slightly decreases in intensity while the band at 697 nm shifts toward 699 nm. This is shown in Figure 5a. Larger additions of *N*-MeIm to the above solution lead to a red shift of the entire spectrum, and the final spectrum is characterized by bands at 561 and 604 nm. This spectrum is shown in Figure 5b. Clear isosbestic points are obtained between 2 equiv of *N*-MeIm and the final *N*-MeIm concentration, indicating that under these conditions only two species are present in solution.

Analysis of the spectral changes in Figure 5 was carried out as a function of ligand concentration and leads to plots of the type shown in Figure 6. Two separate ligand addition steps are observed. Analysis of the two sets of spectral changes give straight-line plots with a slope of 1.0, and from this data, values of log K₁ = 5.7 ± 0.4 and log K₂ = 3.3 ± 0.2 were obtained.

Results for (TPP)InSO₃Ph, (OEP)InSO₃Ph, and (OEP)InSO₃CH₃ were similar to those described above for (TPP)InSO₃Ph. The addition of 1 equiv of *N*-MeIm to (P)InSO₃R showed the initial formation of (P)InSO₃R(*N*-MeIm) while addition of 1–10 equiv of *N*-MeIm led to [(P)In(*N*-MeIm)₂]⁺ as shown in eq 2. The stability constants for reactions 1 and 2 were

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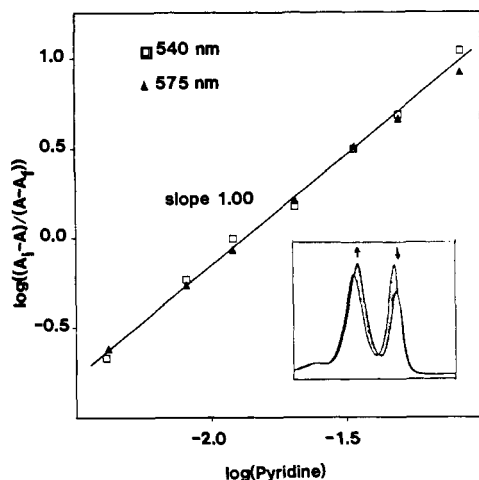


Figure 7. Analysis of spectral data for the titration of 5×10^{-5} M (OEP)InSO₃CH₃ with pyridine in CH₂Cl₂, 0.1 M TBAP. The insert represents the visible spectral variations during the titration.

independent of the R group on SO₃R⁻ and were slightly smaller for the OEP complexes than for the TPP complexes. These values are listed in Table I.

Both mono- and bis(ligand) adducts form when *N*-MeIm is added to CH₂Cl₂ solutions of (P)InOAc and (P)InCl, but formation constants for the first ligand addition could not be calculated due to the fact that only small differences exist between the absorption spectra of (P)InX and (P)InX(*N*-MeIm). However, changes in the UV-visible spectra are large during the second ligand addition to (P)InX(*N*-MeIm) and values of log *K*₂ between 0.7 and 1.2 were calculated. These values are listed in Table I. Evidence that the calculated values correspond to those of reaction 2 and not to those of reaction 1 comes from the fact that the final electronic absorption spectra are identical for all of the (P)InX complexes of a given OEP or TPP series in *N*-MeIm solutions as well as the fact that the conductivity data (Figure 2) clearly show dissociation of the anionic ligand on (P)InX at high *N*-MeIm concentrations.

As discussed above, the addition of pyridine to (P)InOAc or (P)InCl in CH₂Cl₂ produced no detectable spectroscopic changes, nor was there any difference in the spectra between neat CH₂Cl₂ and neat pyridine. On the other hand, the addition of pyridine to complexes of (P)InSO₃R in CH₂Cl₂ did lead to well-defined changes in the electronic absorption and the ¹H NMR spectra and from the former changes the values of formation constants for the binding of pyridine could be calculated.

An example of the spectral changes associated with the formation of [(OEP)In(py)₂]⁺ from (OEP)InSO₃Ph(py) in CH₂Cl₂/py mixtures and an analysis of the spectral data are shown in Figure 7. As seen in the insert, there is a red shift of the entire (OEP)InSO₃Ph spectrum upon addition of pyridine. The new species has a Soret band at 411 nm and two visible bands at 540 and 578 nm. Again, the large changes in the UV-visible spectra are due to the formation of [(P)In(py)₂]⁺. Analysis of the spectral

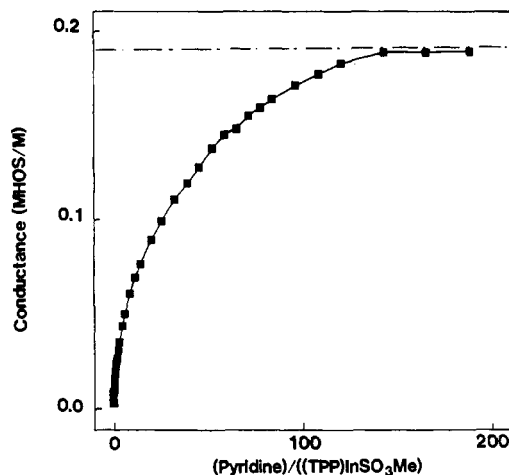


Figure 8. Plot of equivalent conductance for the titration of 5×10^{-4} M (TPP)InSO₃CH₃ with pyridine in CH₂Cl₂. The dashed line represents the equivalent conductance of a 5×10^{-4} M solution of TBAP.

changes as a function of pyridine concentration leads to a straight plot with a slope of 1.0 (see Figure 7), from which log *K*₂ = 1.6 ± 0.2 can be calculated. Similar results were obtained for the other (P)InSO₃R complexes, and values of log *K*₂ are listed in Table I for comparison with the data for addition of *N*-MeIm to (P)InX.

Titration of (P)InSO₃R with pyridine were also monitored by conductivity, and a plot of conductance vs. the (py)/(P)InSO₃CH₃ ratio in CH₂Cl₂/py mixtures is shown in Figure 8. The final conductance is almost identical with the conductance obtained for the same concentration of a 1/1 electrolyte (TBAP or TBA-(PF₆)) in the same CH₂Cl₂/py mixture. In addition, the final equivalent conductance is within experimental error of that shown for [(P)In(*N*-MeIm)₂]⁺ in Figure 2.

In summary, we have shown that both mono- and bis(ligand) adducts may be formed from indium(III) porphyrins containing a weak-field anionic ligand. These results are of interest in evaluating the reactions of In(III) porphyrins with diatomic molecules, where the formation of a six-coordinate complex in a low (In(II)) oxidation state has been proposed.⁹ In addition, the presence of *N*-MeIm or pyridine that is axially bound to the In(III) complex will significantly alter the redox chemistry of the metalloporphyrin. This will be discussed in a future publication.

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