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### ABSTRACT

Polymeric complexes of copper(II) with some orthohydroxy thiosemicarbazones ( $H_2L$ ), such as 2-OH-5-Me (Cl), aceto/propio-phenone thiosemicarbazones with some bases (B), viz., pyridine;  $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ -,  $\gamma$ -picolines; piperidine; morpholine and bidentate bases; bipy and o-phen, have been isolated and characterized. The analytical data shows them to have 1:1:1 composition of Cu:L:B. Their thermal, spectral, and magnetic properties are studied.

### INTRODUCTION

Aromatic thiosemicarbazones having an -OH group in the ortho position have been studied for complex formation [1]. Some of the derivatives of thiosemicarbazones have also attracted special attention due to their anticancer, antibacterial, antifungal, and antitubercular activities [2, 3]. Here we report some base adducts of polychelates of copper(II) ions formed by the condensation of four o-

hydroxy ketones with thiosemicarbazides along with their physico-chemical properties. The metal complexes of dibasic tridentate ligands assume a variety of stereochemical forms [4] depending upon the nature of the metal ion used. The stereochemistry of polymers is studied here using data from electronic, infrared, and ESR spectra as well as from magnetic susceptibility, conductivity, and thermal analysis.

## EXPERIMENTAL

### Material

All the materials used were of A.R. quality.

The ligands were prepared by refluxing four ketones, viz., 2-OH-5-Me/Cl aceto- and propiophenones, with thiosemicarbazide for about 3 h. The mixture was poured on ice and the solid which separated was crystallized from alcohol. The base adducts were prepared by refluxing the metal chelates with the respective base and then pumping out the excess base in vacuum. For the preparation of bidentate base (bipy and o-phen) adducts, the bases were refluxed with the metal complex in chloroform. All the adducts were found to be insoluble in common organic solvents. The slight solubility of all these complexes in chloroform was enough for ESR work, though not large enough for ebullioscopic determination of molecular weight. The complexes were found to be soluble in DMF and DMSO and were quite stable at room temperature.

### Measurements

The magnetic susceptibility of the solids was determined at room temperature by the Gouy method. Electronic spectrum was measured on a Spectronic-20. IR spectra were recorded on a Spectromom-2000 spectrometer in the range  $4000-700\text{ cm}^{-1}$  and on a Fourier Far IR spectrometer in the range  $600-100\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . The ESR spectra were measured on a Varian E<sub>4</sub>, DPR spectrometer operating at  $\sim 9.0$  to  $9.4$  GHz and 100 kHz field modulation and phase sensitive detections. The conductivity was measured on a Toshniwal conductivity bridge. The thermal analyses were performed in a TGA analyser model TGA-2TR supplied by M/s. Laboratories, Calcutta, and DTA using a recording DTA Steuerteil, Veb Laboralasktronik.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The elemental analyses (Table 1) done by standard methods show that the complexes exhibit 1:1:1 stoichiometry of metal:ligand:base.

TABLE 1. Analytical Data of Copper(II) Complexes

| No. | Name of chelate <sup>a</sup>                        | C (%)            | H (%)          | N (%)            | S (%)          | Cu (%)           | eff<br>(B.M.) |
|-----|---|------------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|
| 1   | 2-OH-5-Me acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)py              | 49.50<br>(49.57) | 4.35<br>(4.40) | 15.32<br>(15.4)  | 8.72<br>(8.80) | 17.42<br>(17.47) | 1.76          |
| 2   | 2-OH-5-Me propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)py             | 50.65<br>(50.58) | 4.74<br>(4.70) | 14.65<br>(14.83) | 8.35<br>(8.47) | 16.85<br>(16.83) | 1.73          |
| 3   | 2-OH-5-Cl acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)py              | 43.52<br>(43.74) | 3.45<br>(3.38) | 14.40<br>(14.58) | 8.15<br>(8.33) | 16.45<br>(16.54) | 1.8           |
| 4   | 2-OH-5-Cl propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)py             | 45.38<br>(45.22) | 3.71<br>(3.76) | 13.95<br>(14.06) | 7.90<br>(8.04) | 15.75<br>(15.96) | 1.77          |
| 5   | 2-OH-5-Me acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II) $\alpha$ -pic  | 50.91<br>(50.8)  | 4.46<br>(4.76) | 14.80<br>(14.88) | 8.37<br>(8.5)  | 16.60<br>(16.8)  | 1.74          |
| 6   | 2-OH-5-Me propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II) $\alpha$ -pic | 52.4<br>(52.1)   | 5.02<br>(5.1)  | 14.43<br>(14.3)  | 8.25<br>(8.2)  | 15.96<br>(16.2)  | 1.71          |
| 7   | 2-OH-5-Cl acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II) $\alpha$ -pic  | 45.03<br>(45.2)  | 3.86<br>(3.76) | 13.95<br>(14.1)  | 7.76<br>(8.03) | 15.75<br>(15.95) | 1.72          |
| 8   | 2-OH-5-Cl propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II) $\alpha$ -pic | 46.72<br>(46.6)  | 3.91<br>(4.1)  | 13.68<br>(13.59) | 7.52<br>(7.76) | 15.3<br>(15.4)   | 1.8           |
| 9   | 2-OH-5-Me acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II) $\beta$ -pic   | 50.65<br>(50.8)  | 4.81<br>(4.76) | 14.5<br>(14.8)   | 8.36<br>(8.5)  | 16.68<br>(16.8)  | 1.74          |
| 10  | 2-OH-5-Me propiophenone                             | 51.98<br>(52.1)  | 5.04<br>(5.1)  | 14.46<br>(14.3)  | 7.96<br>(8.2)  | 16.02<br>(16.2)  | 1.73          |

(continued)

TABLE 1 (continued)

| No. | Name of chelate <sup>a</sup>                        | C (%)            | H (%)          | N (%)            | S (%)          | Cu (%)           | eff (B.M.) |
|-----|---|------------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|------------|
| 11  | 2-OH-5-Cl acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II) $\beta$ -pic   | 44.95<br>(45.2)  | 3.81<br>(3.76) | 13.73<br>(14.1)  | 8.01<br>(8.03) | 15.6<br>(15.9)   | 1.73       |
| 12  | 2-OH-5-Cl propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II) $\beta$ -pic  | 46.74<br>(46.6)  | 3.91<br>(4.1)  | 13.45<br>(13.59) | 7.55<br>(7.7)  | 15.32<br>(15.4)  | 1.70       |
| 13  | 2-OH-5-Me acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II) $\gamma$ -pic  | 50.5<br>(50.8)   | 4.82<br>(4.76) | 14.58<br>(14.8)  | 8.43<br>(8.5)  | 16.57<br>(16.8)  | 1.76       |
| 14  | 2-OH-5-Me propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II) $\gamma$ -pic | 52.24<br>(52.1)  | 5.01<br>(5.1)  | 14.45<br>(14.3)  | 8.1<br>(8.2)   | 15.93<br>(16.2)  | 1.74       |
| 15  | 2-OH-5-Cl acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II) $\gamma$ -pic  | 44.93<br>(45.2)  | 3.66<br>(3.76) | 13.8<br>(14.1)   | 7.8<br>(8.03)  | 15.84<br>(15.95) | 1.72       |
| 16  | 2-OH-5-Cl propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II) $\gamma$ -pic | 46.4<br>(46.6)   | 3.77<br>(4.1)  | 13.71<br>(13.6)  | 7.72<br>(7.76) | 15.33<br>(15.41) | 1.68       |
| 17  | 2-OH-5-Me acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)pip             | 48.63<br>(48.71) | 5.98<br>(5.95) | 15.06<br>(15.15) | 8.57<br>(8.68) | 17.03<br>(17.18) | 1.71       |
| 18  | 2-OH-5-Me propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)pip            | 50.33<br>(50.06) | 6.04<br>(6.25) | 14.73<br>(14.60) | 8.11<br>(8.34) | 16.54<br>(16.55) | 1.75       |
| 19  | 2-OH-5-Cl acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)pip             | 43.24<br>(43.07) | 4.89<br>(4.87) | 14.46<br>(14.35) | 7.96<br>(8.02) | 16.22<br>(16.29) | 1.8        |
| 20  | 2-OH-5-Cl propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)pip            | 44.81<br>(44.79) | 5.36<br>(5.19) | 13.82<br>(13.86) | 7.77<br>(7.92) | 15.75<br>(15.73) | 1.74       |
| 21  | 2-OH-5-Me acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)mor             | 45.42<br>(45.22) | 5.25<br>(5.38) | 15.10<br>(15.07) | 8.58<br>(8.60) | 17.02<br>(17.09) | 1.70       |

|    |   |                  |                |                  |                |                  |      |
|----|---|------------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|------|
| 22 | 2-OH-5-Me propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)mor    | 46.78<br>(46.69) | 5.66<br>(5.70) | 14.66<br>(14.52) | 8.02<br>(8.30) | 14.43<br>(16.47) | 1.72 |
| 23 | 2-OH-5-Cl acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)mor     | 40.14<br>(39.79) | 4.42<br>(4.30) | 13.91<br>(14.28) | 8.04<br>(8.16) | 16.17<br>(16.20) | 1.80 |
| 24 | 2-OH-5-Cl propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)mor    | 41.17<br>(41.37) | 4.42<br>(4.67) | 13.57<br>(13.79) | 7.74<br>(7.88) | 15.47<br>(15.64) | 1.73 |
| 25 | 2-OH-5-Me acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)bipy    | 54.34<br>(54.20) | 4.85<br>(4.74) | 15.87<br>(15.80) | 6.95<br>(7.20) | 14.31<br>(14.35) | 1.74 |
| 26 | 2-OH-5-Me propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)bipy   | 54.93<br>(55.19) | 4.71<br>(5.03) | 15.24<br>(15.30) | 6.92<br>(7.00) | 13.77<br>(13.90) | 1.73 |
| 27 | 2-OH-5-Cl acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)bipy    | 49.04<br>(49.2)  | 3.54<br>(3.88) | 14.73<br>(15.10) | 6.82<br>(6.90) | 13.64<br>(13.70) | 1.71 |
| 28 | 2-OH-5-Cl propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)bipy   | 50.54<br>(50.30) | 3.91<br>(4.19) | 14.71<br>(14.67) | 6.40<br>(6.70) | 13.04<br>(13.30) | 1.75 |
| 29 | 2-OH-5-Me acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)o-phen  | 56.43<br>(56.80) | 4.30<br>(4.09) | 15.20<br>(15.06) | 6.62<br>(6.88) | 13.53<br>(13.67) | 1.80 |
| 30 | 2-OH-5-Me propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)o-phen | 57.8<br>(57.67)  | 4.02<br>(4.38) | 14.71<br>(14.60) | 6.48<br>(6.68) | 13.31<br>(13.27) | 1.74 |
| 31 | 2-OH-5-Cl acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)o-phen  | 51.62<br>(51.95) | 3.40<br>(3.29) | 14.04<br>(14.40) | 6.42<br>(6.59) | 12.80<br>(13.09) | 1.71 |
| 32 | 2-OH-5-Cl propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)o-phen | 52.77<br>(52.9)  | 3.42<br>(3.60) | 14.20<br>(14.02) | 6.20<br>(6.40) | 12.56<br>(12.73) | 1.70 |

<sup>a</sup>tsc = thiosemicarbazone, py = pyridine, pic = picoline, pip = piperidine, pip = morpholine, mor = morpholine, bipy = bipyridyl, o-phen = o-phenanthroline.

The low conductivity ( $\sim 10$  mhos) of all the complexes, measured in DMF, confirms their nonelectrolytic nature.

The DTA curves show an endothermic peak between 210-240°C in all the complexes which we assign to loss of the base molecule. All the complexes gave an exothermic peak around 325°C and the smell of SO<sub>2</sub> was given out. In the TGA analysis all the complexes started giving out the smell of SO<sub>2</sub> mixed with smell of the respective base around 300°C. The residue found could be correlated with the expected stoichiometry.

The magnetic moments of the copper(II) complexes measured at room temperature fall in the range 1.68 to 1.8 B.M. (Table 1). The value is close to the spin-only value, some even having a smaller value. Normally, due to spin-orbit coupling, magnetic moments are higher than the spin-only values. The observed values are, therefore, rather low. A remarkable feature of the magnetochemistry of bivalent copper complexes of dibasic tridentate ligands is the frequency with which evidence of magnetic exchange [5-7] is found, frequently of the superexchange type.

The low magnetic moments in copper(II) complexes are usually attributed to spin-spin coupling within a dimer brought about by the bridging [8-11] of monomeric units of paramagnetic centers. Thus the subnormal or almost "spin-only" magnetic moments observed for the present copper(II) complexes may be accounted for by assuming a polymeric structure in the solid state. Such polymerization could occur through the N, O, or S atom of neighbors. Bulk magnetic susceptibility cannot assist in deciding in favor of either a square planar or a tetragonal arrangement. Both symmetries would be D<sub>4h</sub> on an idealized representation. However, ESR spectra of these complexes show antiferromagnetic coupling between two copper(II) ions. As this is not reflected in the magnetic moment determined on solids, it is probably a case of weak antiferromagnetic coupling. A low temperature study of magnetic susceptibility could help further.

The electronic spectra of all the adducts show three bands at 19,600, 16,600, and 14,500 cm<sup>-1</sup>. Copper(II) complexes are subject to considerable distortion which renders their absorption quite complex. The absorption spectra of the copper(II) complexes are not inconsistent with tetragonal geometry for them. The interpretation of these spectra, however, is not easy, as the near neighbors are different and the large value of the spin-orbit coupling causes further splitting of levels, complicating matters to a large extent. Further, the ESR spectra discussed later do point to polymeric species being present in these complexes. A distorted octahedral structure is the most likely structure around copper(II). The three bands would then arise from splitting of levels due to spin-orbit coupling and to different near neighbors round Cu(II) ions. IR spectra of all the complexes show the absence of  $\nu_{\text{OH}}$  but show two  $\nu_{\text{NH}_2}$  bands around 3300 and 3100 cm<sup>-1</sup>. The  $\nu_{\text{(C=N)}}$  band is observed at 1610 cm<sup>-1</sup> with a shoulder, the latter

probably from the base. We assign the band at  $\sim 720 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  to  $\nu_{(\text{C-S})}$ . The low frequency spectrum suggests a clear band at  $516\text{-}512 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  which we assign to  $\nu_{(\text{M-N})}$  [12, 13]. Similarly  $\nu_{(\text{M-O})}$  could be the band observed at  $444\text{-}440 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . The band at still lower frequency, i.e.,  $256 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ , has been assigned to  $\nu_{(\text{M-S})}$  [14]. This seems to suggest that the chelation takes place through N of the azomethine group, S<sup>-</sup> of the mercapto group, and O<sup>-</sup> of the phenolic -OH group.

The ESR spectra of the copper(II) complexes are measured and the  $g$ -values are given in Table 2. The  $g_{\parallel}$  components clearly show seven transitions suggesting three equivalent nitrogens splitting the Cu band. The  $g_{\perp}$  band is clearly split giving  $A_{\text{N}} = 14 \text{ G}$ . In all cases,  $g_{\parallel} > g_{\perp}$ , suggesting that these complexes have axial symmetry. The complexes are considered to be polymeric from the fact that all of them are insoluble or sparingly soluble in common organic solvents. The third nitrogen responsible for this splitting into seven lines could be from a neighboring tsc ligand rather than from the second nitrogen on the ligand already chelated to copper because this would give a strained three-membered ring. Finally, that there are polymeric species present in these complexes seems to be established conclusively by the half-field ( $\sim 1600 \text{ G}$ ) spectra at liquid nitrogen temperature which show a weak transition in all the complexes studied. This weak transition obviously is a forbidden one arising from a  $\Delta M_{\text{S}} = \pm 2$  transition. This coupling between two copper(II) ions persists in solutions at low temperature, suggesting dimeric species in solution (Fig. 1). The antiferromagnetic exchange coupling between the two copper ions seems to be weak. Such a conclusion seems to be warranted from the bulk magnetic susceptibility data at room temperature which on calculation give magnetic moments not far from the "spin-only" value of 1.73 B.M. Some of these copper(II) complexes have magnetic moments even below 1.73 B.M. Normally magnetic moments around 2.0 B.M. are quite common for copper(II) due to spin-orbit coupling. Lowering of moments is known to occur due to dipolar interaction, Cu(II) acetate monohydrate dimer with a moment of 1.4 B.M. being a famous case. Here, therefore, all these values around 1.7-1.8 B.M. seem to point to a weak exchange between two Cu(II) ions. Further, the  $G$ -values [15, 16] are all less than 4, and hence it is concluded that the complexes have weak interaction between copper(II) centers.

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TABLE 2. ESR Spectral Data on Polycrystalline Copper(II) Complexes

| No. | Name of complex <sup>a</sup>                        | Room temperature |             |      | Low temperature |             |      |
|-----|---|------------------|-------------|------|-----------------|-------------|------|
|     |   | $g_{\parallel}$  | $g_{\perp}$ | G    | $g_{\parallel}$ | $g_{\perp}$ | G    |
| 1   | 2-OH-5-Me acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)py              | 2.152            | 2.052       | 2.92 | 2.150           | 2.054       | 2.77 |
| 2   | 2-OH-5-Me propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)py             | 2.138            | 2.061       | 2.26 | 2.144           | 2.047       | 3.06 |
| 3   | 2-OH-5-Cl acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)py              | 2.143            | 2.052       | 2.75 | 2.168           | 2.072       | 2.33 |
| 4   | 2-OH-5-Cl propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)py             | 2.153            | 2.067       | 2.28 | 2.154           | 2.967       | 2.30 |
| 5   | 2-OH-5-Me acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II) $\alpha$ -pic  | 2.129            | 2.070       | 1.80 | 2.148           | 2.071       | 2.08 |
| 6   | 2-OH-5-Me propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II) $\alpha$ -pic | 2.104            | 2.052       | 2.00 | 2.178           | 2.055       | 3.20 |
| 7   | 2-OH-5-Cl acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II) $\alpha$ -pic  | 2.116            | 2.054       | 2.14 | 2.116           | 2.054       | 2.14 |
| 8   | 2-OH-5-Cl propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II) $\alpha$ -pic | 2.167            | 2.057       | 2.93 | 2.182           | 2.159       | 3.08 |
| 9   | 2-OH-5-Me acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II) $\beta$ -pic   | 2.142            | 2.071       | 2.00 | 2.153           | 2.070       | 2.18 |
| 10  | 2-OH-5-Me propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II) $\beta$ -pic  | 2.135            | 2.044       | 3.06 | 2.146           | 2.048       | 3.04 |

|    |   |       |       |      |       |       |      |
|----|---|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|------|
| 11 | 2-OH-5-Cl acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II) $\beta$ -pic   | 2.174 | 2.068 | 2.50 | 2.177 | 2.069 | 2.55 |
| 12 | 2-OH-5-Cl propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II) $\beta$ -pic  | 2.160 | 2.058 | 2.75 | 2.162 | 2.061 | 2.65 |
| 13 | 2-OH-5-Me acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II) $\gamma$ -pic  | 2.193 | 2.070 | 2.75 | 2.182 | 2.168 | 2.67 |
| 14 | 2-OH-5-Me propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II) $\gamma$ -pic | 2.143 | 2.047 | 3.06 | 2.142 | 2.047 | 3.06 |
| 15 | 2-OH-5-Cl acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II) $\gamma$ -pic  | 2.151 | 2.057 | 2.60 | 2.175 | 2.062 | 2.82 |
| 16 | 2-OH-5-Cl propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II) $\gamma$ -pic | 2.119 | 2.090 | 2.30 | 2.183 | 2.091 | 2.01 |
| 17 | 2-OH-5-Me acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)pip             | 2.142 | 2.077 | 1.84 | 2.172 | 2.078 | 2.20 |
| 18 | 2-OH-5-Me propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)pip            | 2.162 | 2.081 | 2.00 | 2.164 | 2.081 | 2.02 |
| 19 | 2-OH-5-Cl acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)pip             | 2.148 | 2.069 | 2.01 | 2.152 | 2.071 | 2.01 |
| 20 | 2-OH-5-Cl propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)pip            | 2.172 | 2.059 | 3.00 | 2.174 | 2.057 | 3.05 |
| 21 | 2-OH-5-Me acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)mor             | 2.135 | 2.044 | 3.06 | 2.146 | 2.046 | 3.20 |
| 22 | 2-OH-5-Me propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)mor            | 2.143 | 2.053 | 2.70 | 2.156 | 2.054 | 2.88 |

(continued)

TABLE 2 (continued)

| No. | Name of complex <sup>a</sup>                | Room temperature       |                    |      | Low temperature        |                    |      |
|-----|---|------------------------|--------------------|------|------------------------|--------------------|------|
|     |   | $\epsilon_{\parallel}$ | $\epsilon_{\perp}$ | G    | $\epsilon_{\parallel}$ | $\epsilon_{\perp}$ | G    |
| 23  | 2-OH-5-Cl acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)mor     | 2.150                  | 2.049              | 3.06 | 2.153                  | 2.051              | 3.00 |
| 24  | 2-OH-5-Cl propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)mor    | 2.174                  | 2.057              | 3.05 | 2.174                  | 2.057              | 3.05 |
| 25  | 2-OH-5-Me acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)bipy    | 2.162                  | 2.061              | 2.67 | 2.112                  | 2.041              | 2.74 |
| 26  | 2-OH-5-Me propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)bipy   | 2.164                  | 2.062              | 2.64 | 2.132                  | 2.042              | 3.14 |
| 27  | 2-OH-5-Cl acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)bipy    | 2.156                  | 2.063              | 2.47 | 2.101                  | 2.030              | 3.30 |
| 28  | 2-OH-5-Cl propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)bipy   | 2.174                  | 2.062              | 2.80 | 2.172                  | 2.060              | 2.86 |
| 29  | 2-OH-5-Me acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)o-phen  | 2.158                  | 2.064              | 2.47 | 2.160                  | 2.060              | 2.66 |
| 30  | 2-OH-5-Me propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)o-phen | 2.170                  | 2.061              | 2.78 | 2.162                  | 2.061              | 2.65 |
| 31  | 2-OH-5-Cl acetophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)o-phen  | 2.156                  | 2.063              | 2.47 | 2.156                  | 2.063              | 2.47 |
| 32  | 2-OH-5-Cl propiophenone<br>tsc Cu(II)o-phen | 2.152                  | 2.061              | 2.49 | 2.152                  | 2.060              | 2.53 |

<sup>a</sup>tsc = thiosemicarbazone, py = pyridine, pic = picoline, pip = piperidine, mor = morpholine, bipy = bipyridyl, o-phen = o-phenanthroline.

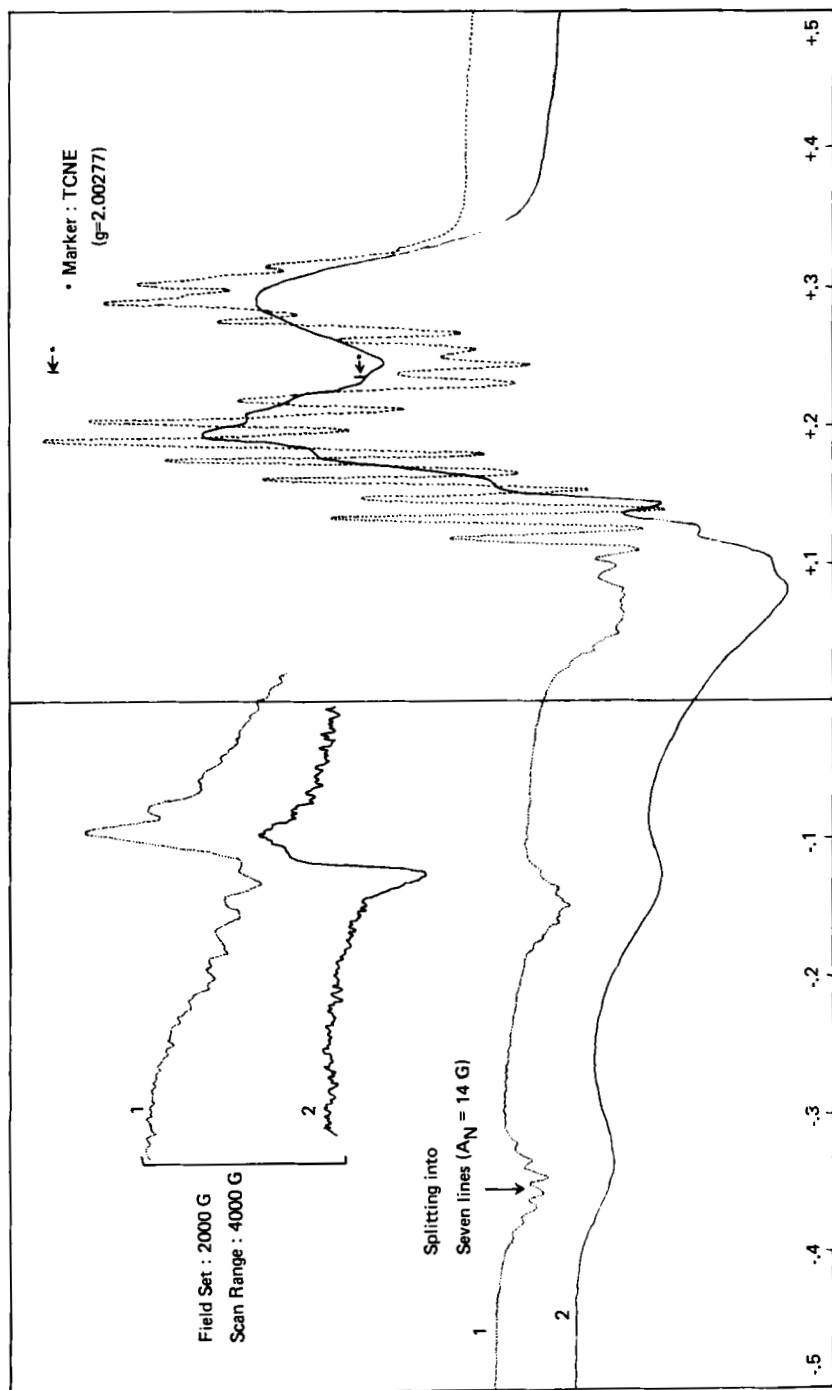


FIG. 1. ESR spectra of (chloroform) (1) 2-OH-5-Cl propiophenone tsc Cu(II) and (2) 2-OH-5-Me propiophenone tsc Cu(II) $\alpha$ -pic. Scan range, 1000 G; time constant, 0.064 s; modulation amplitude,  $0.63 \times 1$  G; receiver gain,  $1.25 \times 10^4 \times 10$ ; field set, 3000 G; scan time, 8 min; modulation frequency, 100 kHz; temperature,  $\sim -160^\circ\text{C}$ ; microwave frequency, 9.077 GHz.

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