## P27. Synthesis and antitumor activity of copper(II), nickel(II) and cobalt(III) coordination compounds with

2-[(pyridin-2-ylmethylidene)amino]butan-1-ol and its derivatives

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The aim of this work is the determination of synthesis conditions, composition, structure, antitumor properties of copper(II), nickel(II) and cobalt(III) coordination compounds with 2-[(pyridin-2-ylmethylidene)amino]butan-1-ol (HL<sup>1</sup>), 2-{[1-(pyridin-2-yl)ethylidene]amino}butan-1-ol (HL<sup>2</sup>) and 2-{[phenyl(pyridin-2-yl)methylidene]amino}butan-1-ol (HL<sup>3</sup>).

The synthesis of coordination compounds was performed in ethanolic solutions using template method. 2-Aminobutanole reacts with 2-formylpyridine (HL<sup>1</sup>), 2-acetylpyridine (HL<sup>2</sup>) and 2-benzoylpyridine (HL<sup>3</sup>) in presence of copper(II), nickel(II) and cobalt(II) chlorides, bromides, nitrates, perchlorates and acetates taken in molar ratio 2:2:1 or 1:1:1. The composition of these compounds was determined using elemental analysis: Cu(HL<sup>1-3</sup>)X<sub>2</sub>, Cu(L<sup>1-3</sup>)X, Ni(L<sup>1-3</sup>)<sub>2</sub> and Co(L<sup>1-3</sup>)<sub>2</sub>X (X = Cl<sup>-</sup>, Br<sup>-</sup>, NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>, ClO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup>). The magnetochemical research showed that the synthesized coordination compounds of copper are polynuclear, coordination compounds of nickel and cobalt have octahedral structure. Azomethines HL<sup>1-3</sup> behave as neutral or mono-deprotonated tridentate ligands with N,N,O set of donor atoms.

The antiproliferative activity of the synthesized coordination compounds was



studied on cancer cells Hep G-2 and BxPC-3. It was determined that these compounds inhibit the proliferation of these tumor cells in the range of concentration 100-0.1  $\mu$ mol/L. The inhibitory concentrations IC<sub>50</sub> towards the Hep G-2 cells are in the range of 26.7-99.6  $\mu$ mol/L. Towards the BxPC-3

**R** =**H**(**HL**<sup>1</sup>), **CH**<sub>3</sub>(**HL**<sup>2</sup>), **C**<sub>6</sub>**H**<sub>5</sub>(**HL**<sup>3</sup>) the range of 26.7-99.6 µmol/L. Towards the BxPC-3 cells IC<sub>50</sub> values are in the range of 11.7-40.7 µmol/L. It was shown that the nature of the central atom and substituent R in the corresponding azomethine and also the acid residue have an influence on the antitumor activity of these complexes. For the homotypic complexes the activity diminishes in the following way: Cu > Co  $\approx$  Ni; HL<sup>1</sup> > HL<sup>2</sup>  $\approx$  HL<sup>3</sup>; Cl<sup>-</sup>  $\approx$  Br> NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>  $\approx$  ClO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup>. Synthesized compounds manifest better activity towards BxPC-3 cells.

The determinated properties of the synthesized substances are of interest for medical practice for enhancement of the arsenal of antitumor preparations.

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