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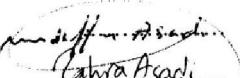
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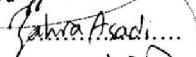
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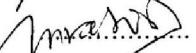
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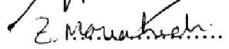
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## ABSTRACT

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In this work, Schiff base ligands were prepared by condensation of 2-hydroxy-1-naphtaldehyde with 1,2-ethylenediamine, 1,3-propylenediamine, 1,2-propylenediamine, 1,2-phenylenediamine, 1,4-butylenediamine, 4-methyl-1,2-phenylenediamine, 4-chloro-1,2-phenylenediamine, 4-nitro-1,2-phenylenediamine, 4-carboxyl-1,2-phenylenediamine and their  $\text{UO}_2\text{L}$  complexes were synthesized by the reaction of uranyl acetate with Schiff base ligands. These ligands and complexes were characterized by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR, IR spectroscopy, UV-vis. spectrophotometry, X-ray crystallography, TG (thermal gravimetry), CV (cyclic voltammetry), and elemental analysis (C.H.N). For the first time, a nano structure of  $[\text{UO}_2(\text{napht-1,2pr})(\text{MeOH})]$  was synthesized. Scanning electronmicroscopy (SEM) and transmission electron microscopy (TEM) image showed nano-particles with sizes 16-30 nano-meters. In anti-cancer studies of the uranyl Schiff base complexes, Cell culture and MTT assay were used. Kinetic data of eight uranyl Schiff base complexes were determined spectrophotometrically. In all cases (runs from  $10-40 \pm 0.1^\circ\text{C}$ ), the procedure involves adding a sample of  $\text{PBu}_3$  to solutions containing the uranyl complexes. The kinetics was followed at a predetermined wavelength, where the difference in absorption between the substrate and the product was the largest. The pseudo-first-order constants were calculated by fitting data to  $\ln[(A_t - A_\infty)/(A_0 - A_\infty)] = -k_{\text{obs}t}$  (where  $A_t$ =Absorbance at time  $t$ ;  $A_0$ =Absorbance at  $t=0$ ;  $A_\infty$ =Absorbance at  $t=\infty$ ). The second order rate constants  $k_2$  were obtained from the slope of the linear plots of  $k_{\text{obs}}$

vs.  $[PBu_3]$ .  $\Delta H^\#$  and  $\Delta S^\#$  were obtained from the Eyring plots of  $\ln(k_2/T)$  vs.  $1/T$  at four different temperatures.

The second order  $k_2$  rate constants show the following trend:

- 1)  $[UO_2(5\text{-Brsalbzph})(CH_3CN)] > [UO_2(salbzph)(CH_3CN)] > [UO_2(5\text{-MeOsalbzph})(CH_3CN)]$
- 2)  $[UO_2(4\text{-MeOsalbzph})(CH_3CN)] > [UO_2(5\text{-MeOsalbzph})(CH_3CN)] > [UO_2(3\text{-MeOsalbzph})(CH_3CN)]$
- 3)  $[UO_2(5\text{-Brsalbzph})(CH_3CN)] \approx [UO_2(5\text{-ClSalbzph})(CH_3CN)]$
- 4)  $[UO_2(napht-1,3pr)(CH_3CN)] > [UO_2(napht-1,2pr)(CH_3CN)]$

The low  $\Delta H^\#$  values and the large negative  $\Delta S^\#$  values are compatible with (A) mechanism.

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