Spectroscopic (FT-IR & FT-Raman), First Order Hyperpolarizability, NLO Analysis and Homo-Lumo Analysis of Metronidazole

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Abstract- The FT-IR, FT-Raman and UV-Visible spectra of Metronidazole were recorded for the interpretation of physical, chemical, thermal and toxic property. The spectroscopic data of the molecule in the ground state were calculated by performing computational calculations. The vibrational assignments for fundamental modes were assigned and their presence was keenly monitored to evaluate the internal parts whether it is active or not. The arrangement of the molecular polarizability and hyper activity for ensuring drug activity for the compound was studied.

Keywords- FTIR, Frontier molecular orbital energies, HOMO-LUMO, Hyper Polarizability.

I. INTRODUCTION

Metronidazole (MNZ), marketed under the brand name Flagyl among others is an antibiotic and medication. It is used either alone or with other antibiotics to treat pelvic inflammatory disease, endocarditic, and bacterial vaginosis. It is effective for dracunculiasis, giardiasis, trichomoniasis, and amebiasis. It is the drug of choice for a first episode of mildto-moderate Clostridium difficile colitis. Metronidazole is available by mouth, as a cream, and intravenously. Common side effects include nausea, a metallic taste, loss of appetite, and headaches. Occasionally seizures or allergies to the medication may occur. Metronidazole should not be used in early pregnancy but appears to be safe later in pregnancy. It should not be used when breastfeeding.

II. EXPERIMENTAL

Metronidazole with >99% purity was obtained from Chennai reputed company, Chennai and was used without further treatments. The FTIR spectrum of the powder sample was recorded in KBr in the range $4000 - 400$ cm⁻¹ using a Perkin Elmer spectrometer with a resolution of ± 1 cm⁻¹. FT-Raman spectrum of the powder sample was recorded using 1064 nm line in Nd:YAG laser as the excitation wavelength in the region $4000-50$ cm⁻¹ using Bruker RFS 27 spectrometer. The UV–V is spectrum was recorded in the range 200-900nm using a Varian Cary 5E-UV-NIR spectrophotometer.

III. COMPUTATIONAL DETAILS

The density functional theory treated according to hybrid Becke's three parameter and the Lee–Yang–Parr functional (B3LYP) functional were used to carry out analysis with the standard $6-311++G$ (d,p) basis sets to study the molecule Metronidazole . All calculations were carried out using Gaussian 09 package [9]. All these calculations have been carried out using Gaussian 09W [9] program package on Pentium IV processor in personal computer.

The mean polarizability properties of tested molecule were obtained from the theoretical calculations to show the NLO property of the molecules. The energy of highest occupied molecular orbit (EHOMO) and the energy of Lowest unoccupied Molecular Orbital (ELUMO) the dipole moment (μ) , the ionization potential (I) , the electron affinity (A), the electro negativity (X) , the global hardness (η) were calculated for both the molecules and the comparison also discussed . The electronic absorption spectrum requires calculation. The optimized molecular structure of the molecule is obtained from Gaussian 09 and Gauss view program and is show in figure.

Fig.1. Optimized molecular structure and atomic numbering of Metronidazole.

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Table1. Optimized geometrical parameters for SFAP computed at various basis sets of Metronidazole

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IV. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The geometrical structure along with numbering of atoms of Metronidazole is obtained from Gaussian 09 and GAUSSVIEW programs are shown in Fig.1. The optimized geometrical parameters of metronidazole obtained by DFT– B3LYP/6-311++G (d,p) and HF/6-311++G (d,p) levels are listed in Table 1. From the structural data given in it is observed that the various bond lengths are found to be almost same at HF and B3LYP levels. However, the B3LYP/6- $31++G$ (d,p) level of theory, in general slightly over estimates bond lengths but it yields bond angles in excellent agreement with the HF method. The calculated geometric parameters can be used as origin to calculate the other parameters for the compound. The calculated C–C bond lengths of the ring vary from 1.418 to 1.4164 Å.

In this study the C-H bond lengths were studied as 1.0962 Å. The density functional calculation gives almost same bond angles in tested molecule. The dihedral angles of our title molecule show that our tested molecule was planar. In generally the optimized bond length and bond angles are slightly smaller than the experimental values. This is due to the fact that all the theoretical calculations belongs to isolated molecule were done in gaseous state and the experimental results were belongs to molecule is in solid state.

Theoretical value of infrared spectrum

V. VIBRATIONAL ANALYSIS

The vibrational spectrum is mainly determined by the modes of free molecule observed at higher wave numbers, together with the lattice (translational and vibrational) modes in the low wave number region. In our present study, we have performed a frequency calculation analysis to obtain the spectroscopic signature of Metronidazole. The Metronidazole molecule consists of 21 atoms therefore they have 57 vibrational normal modes. All the frequencies are assigned. The measured (FTIR and FT-Raman) wave numbers and assigned wave numbers of the some selected intense vibrational modes calculated at the B3LYP and HF levels using basis set $6-311++G(d,p)$ basis set and they are listed in Table 2. For B3LYP and HF with $6-311++G(d,p)$ basis set, the wave numbers are scaled with 0.99 and 0.98 respectively.

N-H Vibrations

Generally, the NH group vibrations are very dominative and no way have their vibrational bands not affected. Here the mono amine group was substituted along with the chain of ethyl-methyl group. When the NH group placed between chain and aromatic ring, the secondary N-H stretching vibrational frequencies are observed in the region $3360 - 3310$ cm⁻¹.

C-N Vibrations

Due to the favoring of charge levels in amino group, the bending mode only were active. The C-N stretching vibrations, in plane bending and out of plane bending vibrations are generally observed in the region 1650-1590 cm⁻¹. In this title compound, the C-N stretching vibration is calculated, due to the lees energy availability and moved in far infrared region.

C-H Vibrations

C-H stretching vibrations are normally observed in the region $3100-3000$ cm⁻¹ for aromatic beneze stucturer which shows their uniqueness of the skeletal vibrations. The band appeared at $1070,820$ cm⁻¹ in the metronidazole has been assigned to C-H stretching vibrations.

The C-H in out plane bending vibrations is normally occurred a number of strong to weak intensity bands in the region 870 to 340 cm^{-1} . According to the literature, the inplane & out of plane bending vibrational frequencies are found to be well within the characteristic region.

VI. FRONTIER MOLECULAR ORBITAL ANALYSIS

The HOMO represents the ability to donate an electron, LUMO as an electron acceptor represents the ability to obtain an electron. The electronic absorption corresponds to the transition from the ground to the first excited state and is mainly described by one electron excitation from the HOMO to the LUMO. Chemical hardness (g) and softness (s) can be used as harmonizing tools to describe the thermodynamic aspects of chemical reactivity. The Frontier orbital gap helps to characterize the chemical reactivity kinetic stability, chemical reactivity, optical polarizability, chemical hardness, softness of a molecule. The investigations of FT-IR, FT-Raman, UV-Visible, FT-NMR Spectra and Quantum Chemical Computations of metronidazole molecule calculated HOMO and LUMO energy and the energy values of the frontier orbitals by B3LYP/6- $311++G$ (d,p) are presented in Table 3.

The Ionization potential (I.P) values suggest how tightly an electron is bound within the nuclear attractive field of the systems. It is linearly related with the chemical hardness (g). By using HOMO and LUMO energy values for a molecule,]

The Ionization potential and chemical hardness of the molecule were calculated using Koopmans' theorem and are given by $\eta = (IP - EA)/2$

Where $IP~E(HOMO)$, $EA~E(LUMO)$; $IP =$ Ionization potential (eV); $EA =$ electron affinity (eV). *η = ½ (εLUMO - εHOMO).*

The hardness has been associated with the stability of chemical system. Considering the chemical hardness, large

HOMO–LUMO gap means a hard molecule and small HOMO–LUMO gap means a soft molecule.

One can also relate the stability of molecule to hardness, which means that the molecule with least HOMO– LUMO gap means, it is more reactive. The hard molecules are not more polarizable than soft ones because they need big energy to excitation 3D plots of the HOMO, LUMO, orbitals computed at the B3LYP/6-311++G (d,p) level for the tested molecule are illustrated in fig.1.

The electron affinity can be used in combination with ionization energy to give electronic chemical potential, $\mu = \frac{1}{2}$ (εLUMO + εHOMO).

Chemical softness(S) = $1/n$ describes the capacity of an atom or group of atoms to receive electrons and is the inverse of the global hardness.

The soft molecules are more polarizable than the hard ones because they need small energy to excitation. A molecule with a low energy gap is more polarizable and is generally associated with the high chemical activity and low kinetic stability and is termed soft molecule. A hard molecule has a large energy gap and a soft molecule has a small energy gap.

It is shown from the calculations that Metronidazole has the least value of global hardness and the highest value of global softness is expected to have the highest inhibition efficiency.

The global electrophilicity index, $\omega = \mu^2/2$, η is also calculated and these values are listed in Table 3.

VII. NLO PROPERTIES

 Nonlinear optical (NLO) effects arise from the interactions of electromagnetic fields in various media to produce new fields altered in phase, frequency, amplitude or other propagation characteristics from the incident fields. The first hyper polarizability (β0) of this novel molecular system and related properties (βtot, α , $\Delta \alpha$) of Metronidazole are calculated using DFT/B3LYP method at $6-311G++$ (d,p) basis set based on the finite field approach.

In the presence of an applied electric field, the energy of a system is a function of the electric field. First order hyper polarizability is a third rank tensor that can be described by 3 x 3 x 3 matrices. The 27 components of the 3D matrix can be reduced to 10 components due to the Kleinman symmetry. It can be given in the lower tetrahedral format. It is obvious that the lower part of the $3 \times 3 \times 3$ matrices is a tetrahedral. The components of β are defined as the coefficients in the Taylor series expansion of the energy in the external electric field. When the external electric field is weak and homogeneous, this expansion becomes:

E=E0-μαFα - $1/2$ ααβFαFβ - $1/6$ βαβγFαFβFγ+...

Where E0 is the energy of the unperturbed molecules, Fα is the field at the origin, μα, ααβ and βαβγ are the components of dipole moment, polarizability and the first order hyperpolarizabilities, respectively.

DFT has been extensively used as an effective method to investigate the organic NLO materials.

The total static dipole moment (μ) , the mean polarizability (α 0), the anisotropy of the polarizability ($\Delta \alpha$) and the mean first order hyper polarizability $(\beta 0)$, using the x, y, z components they are defined as:

 α total = α 0 = 1/3 (α xx+ α yy+ α zz)

 $\Delta \alpha = \left[(\alpha xx - \alpha yy)^2 + (\alpha yy - \alpha zz)^2 + (\alpha zz - \alpha xx)^2 + \right]$ 6α2xz+6α 2xy+6 α 2yz]^{1/2} $β0 = (βx² + βx² + βx²)^{1/2} = [(βxxx + βxyy + βxzz)² + (βyyy$ +βxxy+βyzz)²+(βzzz+βxxz+βyyz)²]^{1/2}

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\Delta \alpha = \left[(\alpha xx - \alpha yy)^2 + (\alpha yy - \alpha zz)^2 + (\alpha zz - \alpha xx)^2 / 2 \right]^{1/2}
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The total dipole moment can be calculated using the following equation.

 $\mu = (\mu x^2 + \mu y^2 + \mu z^2)^{1/2}.$

Polarizability is the property of a species and it is minimum for most stable species and is maximum for least stable species like transition state.

The α and β values of the Gaussian 05 output are in atomic units (a.u) and these calculated values converted into electrostatic unit (e.s.u).

(α: 1 a.u = 0.1482×10^{-24} esu; for β: 1 a.u = 8.639×10⁻³³ esu;) and these above polarizability values of Metronidazole are listed in Table 4.

Parameter	a.u	Parameter	a.u
a_{xx}	-80.0137	β_{xxx}	38.7052
α_{xy}	6.9692	$\beta_{\rm xxy}$	-13.6578
α_{vv}	-72.2032	$\beta_{\rm xvv}$	9.9731
α_{xx}	-0.9236	$\beta_{\rm vvv}$	44.0127
$\alpha_{\rm sys}$	4.1741	β_{xxx}	-0.0568
α_{xx}	-65.7608	$\beta_{\rm xyz}$	7.6274
α_{tot}	131.809	β _{ws}	8.0291
Δα	190.061	β_{xxxx}	5.8749
μ_x	4.4598	Buzz	15.6052
μv	1.7981	Beer	7.6718
μz	-0.5094	Btot	199.736
Ll_{tre}	4.8355		

Table 4: The Electronic Dipole moment, Polarizability and first hyperpolarizability of Metronidazole.

VIII. CONCLUSION

The FTIR, FT-Raman, UV–Visible spectral measurements have been made for the metronidazole molecule. The complete vibrational analysis and first order hyperpolarizability, NLO properties, HOMO and LUMO analysis and thermodynamic properties of the title compound was performed on the basis of DFT and HF calculations at the $6-311++G(d,p)$ basis set. The consistency between the calculated and experimental FTIR and FT-Raman data indicates that the B3LYP and HF methods can generate reliable geometry and related properties of the title compound. The calculated dipole moment and first order hyperpolarizability results indicate that the title compound is a good candidate of NLO material. The calculated normal-mode vibrational frequencies provide thermodynamic properties by the way of statistical mechanics.

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