

Spectroscopic studies in Sb(III) alkyl xanthate complexes

**Maria A. Oliveira (IC); Daniella B. Miranda (PG)^a; Glaucio B. Ferreira (PQ)^{a,b},
Susana Quintal* (PQ)^b**

^a Universidade Federal Fluminense, PPGQ, Niterói, RJ, Brasil

^b Universidade Federal Fluminense, GQI, Niterói, RJ, Brasil

E-mail: * squintal@id.uff.br

Thematic Area: Main group

Keywords: Xanthate, Sb(III) complexes, UV-Vis spectroscopy

Antimony is a semimetal belonging to group 15 of the periodic table, with industrial applications in the production of semiconductors, infrared detectors, and diodes.¹ Biologically, antimony compounds have been used as drugs since their introduction in the 14th century, in the treatment of two parasitic diseases: leishmaniasis and schistosomiasis.² In this work, the synthesis of distorted octahedral antimony(III) complexes containing three isopropyl, isobutyl, methyl or ethyl xanthate bidentate ligands, [Sb(alkyl xanthate)₃], and their respective spectroscopic characterizations will be presented: Infrared, UV-Vis, Raman and NMR spectra. The infrared spectra of the complexes show the presence and slight displacement of the xanthate bands at approximately 1270, 1100, 1060, and 690 cm⁻¹, assigned to the ν_{as} C-O-C, ν C=S, ν_s C-O-C and ν C-S vibrational modes, respectively. The formation of the complexes was further corroborated by the far-infrared spectrum, which exhibited the Sb-S stretching mode at 318 cm⁻¹. The UV-Vis spectra (acetonitrile, 10⁻⁴ M) showed the characteristic bands of the xanthate group, assigned to the $n \rightarrow \pi^*$ and $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$ transitions, at *ca.* 220 and 300 nm, respectively. TD-DFT and population analysis theoretical calculations were performed at the B3LYP level with 6-311++G** basis set. Bands at 224 and 247 nm were assigned to the $n \rightarrow \pi^*$ and $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$ electronic transitions, respectively. The orbitals involved on the transitions were determined by population analysis (Figure 1).

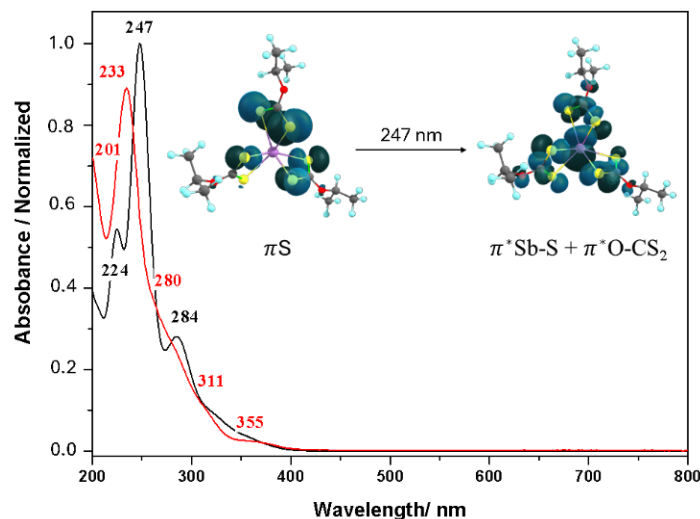


Figure 1. Electronic spectra of [Sb(S₂COCH(CH₃)₂)₃]: black - theoretical (B3LYP/6-311++G**/acetonitrile) and red - experimental (acetonitrile, 10⁻⁴ M) and orbitals involved on the $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$ transition.

Acknowledgments: CNPq, CAPES, FAPERJ, LDRX, LMQC, LAME and PROPPi UFF.

References

- [1] S. Sundar, J. Chakravarty, *Int. J. Environ. Res. Public Health*, **7**, 4267 (2010).
- [2] E. Moore, *et al.*, *Bulletin of the WHO*, **79**, 388 (2001).