

# Synthesis and Physicochemical Studies for Novel Bioactive Metal Complexes of Macrolide Antibiotic Tylosin

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## Abstract

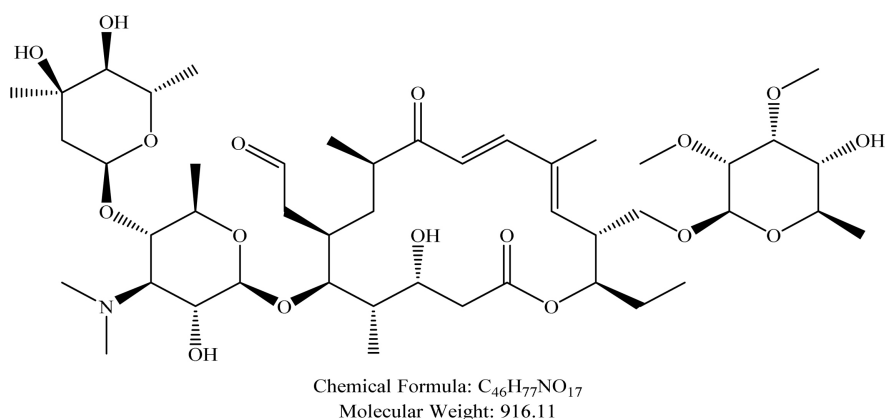
Tylosin is a well-established antibiotic that has been widely employed in human and veterinary medicines. It can act as a potential ligand binding metal ions due to various donor atoms in the structure. Our study on the complexation of various metal ions with tylosin ligand revealed that they preferably coordinate with mycaminose fragment to establish Novel trends complexes. Tylosin ligand (TYS) behaves as bidentate for complexation with different metal ions such as Cr(III), Mn(II), Fe(III), Co(II), Ni(II), Cu(II) and Zn(II). Various essential metal complexes of tylosin were synthesized and characterized by techniques such as UV, IR, Elemental analysis, magnetic susceptibility and ESR spectra of Cu(II) complex. These techniques are used to know their geometries and mode of bonding, with stoichiometry, 2:2 (M:L). Thermal analysis (TGA and DTA) of ligands and their metal complexes were carried out to distinguish between the coordinate and hydrate solvents and to estimate the stability ranges, peak temperatures. The thermodynamic parameters, such as activation energy ( $\Delta E^*$ ), the enthalpy of activation ( $\Delta H^*$ ), entropy of activation ( $\Delta S^*$ ) and Gibbs free energy ( $\Delta G^*$ ) are calculated and discussed. Some tylosin complexes show higher activity than tylosin for some bacterial and fungal strains. Low concentration value of minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC) results is 15.625  $\mu\text{g/ml}$  for both complexes  $[\text{Zn}_2(\text{TYS})_2\text{Cl}_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4]\cdot 25\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and  $[\text{Cu}_2(\text{TYS})_2\text{Cl}_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4]\cdot 25\text{H}_2\text{O}$  with *B. cereus* genus maybe a valuable data used to produce novel therapeutic agent. This study constitutes several essential aspects for future research on tylosin metal complexes as antibacterial assessment and as potential medicinal agents.

## Keywords

Tylosin Complexes, Synthesis, Spectral, Tetragonal Distortion,

## 1. Introduction

Tylosin (TYS), a macrolide antibiotic, is produced naturally by the Actinomyce-tota species *Streptomyces fradiae*, which was firstly identified by McGuire in 1961 [1]. Tylosin (Figure 1) is a 16-membered branched lactone, tylonolide, with disaccharide ( $\alpha$ -L-mycarosyl $\beta$ -D-mycaminosyl) and monosaccharide ( $\alpha$ -D-mycinose) substituents. Tylosin (TYS) mostly consists of tylosin (factor A), but it may also contain small amounts of desmycosin (factor B), macrocin (factor C), and relo-mycin (factor D) and tylosin (A) being at least 80% of the composition [2] [3]. Tylosin (TYS) has significant commercial importance which is used effectively as a veterinary medication and feed additive to stimulate young animals' growth. It is highly effective against both Gram-positive and Gram-negative bacteria as well as Gram-positive mycoplasmas. Tylosin is typically reported to be less active against most bacteria, with the exception of Mycoplasma species, as compared to erythromycin (a prototypical macrolide molecule). In ruminants, pigs, and poultry, antibiotic is used to treat a variety of illnesses brought on by sensitive organisms [4] [5]. The wide use of tylosin antibiotic from the macrolide series makes it crucial to regulate their concentration in both dosage forms and bio-logical liquids [6]. Currently, techniques like liquid chromatography [7], high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) [8] [9] [10] and spectrophotometric methods [11] are employed to identify macrolide antibiotics. Tylosin (TYS) is White to buff-colored powder with a mild musty odor; its melting point is "128°C - 132°C" and its solubility in water 5 mg/mL at 25°C and Freely soluble in methanol. Soluble in lower alcohols, esters and ketones, chloroform, dilute mineral acids, amyl acetate, chlorinated hydrocarbons, benzene, and ether. Tylo-sin is unstable in acidic and alkaline medium and relatively stable under neutral pH conditions (pH = 7). It is chemically stable under standard ambient condi-tions (room temperature) [12]. Antibiotic resistance is growing at an alarming



**Figure 1.** The chemical structure of tylosin A (TYS).

rate and consequently the activity of antibiotics against Gram-positive and Gram-negative bacteria is becoming less effective gradually day by day. In a concrete sense, there is a considerable need for the design of novel antibiotics therapeutic with a good spectrum of activity, so the current study framework is to establish a foundation for antimicrobials.

## 2. Experimental

Tylosin was dissolved in distilled water, while metal chlorides of Cr(III), Mn(II), Fe(III), Co(II), Ni(II), Cu(II), and Zn(II) were dissolved in ethanol 70%, then several molar ratios were tested until reach to the stoichiometry of (M:L). 40 ml of dissolved heated ethanol solution of chlorides inorganic salts of transition metal ions mixed with water soluble tylosin ligand. The reaction mixture was refluxed for approximately 60 minutes and then allowed to sit overnight. The high yield precipitated complexes were determined to identify the molar ratio of the predicted amount of ligand and the molar amount of the metal chloride salt interacted. The synthesized complexes were then filtered, washed several times with a 70% ethanol solution, and dried in a vacuum desiccator over anhydrous  $\text{CaCl}_2$ .

## 3. Measurements

### 3.1. Elemental Analysis and Physical Measurements

The metal contents were determined by atomic absorption spectrophotometer. Carbon, hydrogen and nitrogen analysis of tylosin and all complexes measured at central lab, Cairo University contents of all the synthesized complexes were analyzed by the usual method. The well-known Volhard method [13] was used in an acidic medium to analyze the complexes' chloride contents. Melting points were measured by using the FALC melting point device.

### 3.2. Spectral Studies

The infrared spectra of tylosin and its metal complexes were obtained in a KBr disc using The Bruker Tensor 37 FT-IR instrument which is located in the central lab, Alexandria university, covering frequency range of 400 - 4000  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  and the data recorded and refined by OPUS Data Collection Program.

Electronic spectra of the colored complexes were detected in nujol mull spectra following the method described by Lee, Griswold and Kleinberg [14] using Perkin Elmer lambda 25 uv/vis spectrophotometer, made in England that can Detect the wavelengths between 190 - 1100 nm.

ESR spectra of Cu(II) tylosin complex was measured on an ERS-220 X-band spectrometer (9.45 GHz) using 100-kHz field modulation at room temperature and at 77°K;  $g$  factors were determined in relation to the reference marker DPPH ( $g = 2.0036$ ).

Magnetic susceptibility measurements were measured at room temperature on a Johnson Matthey magnetic susceptibility balance using Gouy method. Diamagnetic corrections were calculated using Pascal's constants [15]; the calibrant

used was  $\text{Hg}[\text{Co}(\text{SCN})_4]$ . The values of effective magnetic moments were calculated from the following equation  $\mu_{\text{eff}} = 2.84(X_M^{\text{corr}}T)^{1/2}$ , where,  $X_M^{\text{corr}}$  is the molar magnetic susceptibility corrected for diamagnetism of all atoms in the compounds.

### 3.3. Thermo Gravimetric Analysis (TG) and Differential Thermal Analysis (DTA)

Differential thermal analysis (DTA) and thermo gravimetric analysis (TG) of tylosin and its metal complexes were carried out using the instrument LINSEIS PT1600. The rate of heating was  $10^\circ \text{K}/\text{min}$ . The cell used was platinum and the atmospheric nitrogen rate flow was  $15 \text{ ml}/\text{min}$ .

### 3.4. Biological Studies

The antimicrobial activity of the tested compounds were determined by means of paper disk diffusion method (7 mm) on Muller Hinton agar for bacteria and potato dextrose agar for *Candida* [16]. The bacterial indicators were *S. aureus* (ATCC6538), *B. cereus* (ATCC10987), for Gram-positive bacteria, *E. coli* (ATCC 8739), *S. Typhi* (ATCC14028) as Gram-negative bacteria and one fungal strain *C. albicans* (ATCC10231).

The minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC) carried out by preparing Different concentrations of compounds. Test sample ( $100 \mu\text{l}$ ) of various concentrations was added into sterile microtiter plate wells filled with  $100 \mu\text{l}$  of double strength Mueller Hinton (MH) broth to make final concentrations at 1000, 500, 250, 125, 62.5, 31.25. and  $15.75 \mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ . Bacterial cell suspension ( $50 \mu\text{l}$ ) corresponding to (OD equivalent to 0.5 McFarland standard) was added in all wells except those in the negative control well. Positive Control wells were filled with MH broth and bacterial suspension to check for adequacy of the broth to support bacteria growth [17]. The negative control wells consisted of sterile distilled water and Mueller Hinton broth to check sterility. The plates were incubated at  $37^\circ \text{C}$  for 24 hrs. To indicate bacterial growth,  $30 \mu\text{l}$  of resazurin solution (0.02% w/v) (HiMedia) was added to each well, and the plate was re-incubated overnight. A change in color from blue to purple, red or pink, indicated the growth of bacteria. A change in the color of growth control wells to pink, red or purple indicated the proper growth of the isolate and no change in the color of the sterile control well indicated the absence of contaminants. The experiment was performed in duplicates and mean values were calculated [18].

## 4. Results and Discussion

### 4.1. Elemental Analysis and Stoichiometry of Novel Tylosin Metal Complexes

The proportion of elements in the innovative metal complexes was determined and quantified by elemental analysis, **Table 1**; also certain characteristics such as color, Yield and chemical formula of tylosin macrolide ligand and its metal

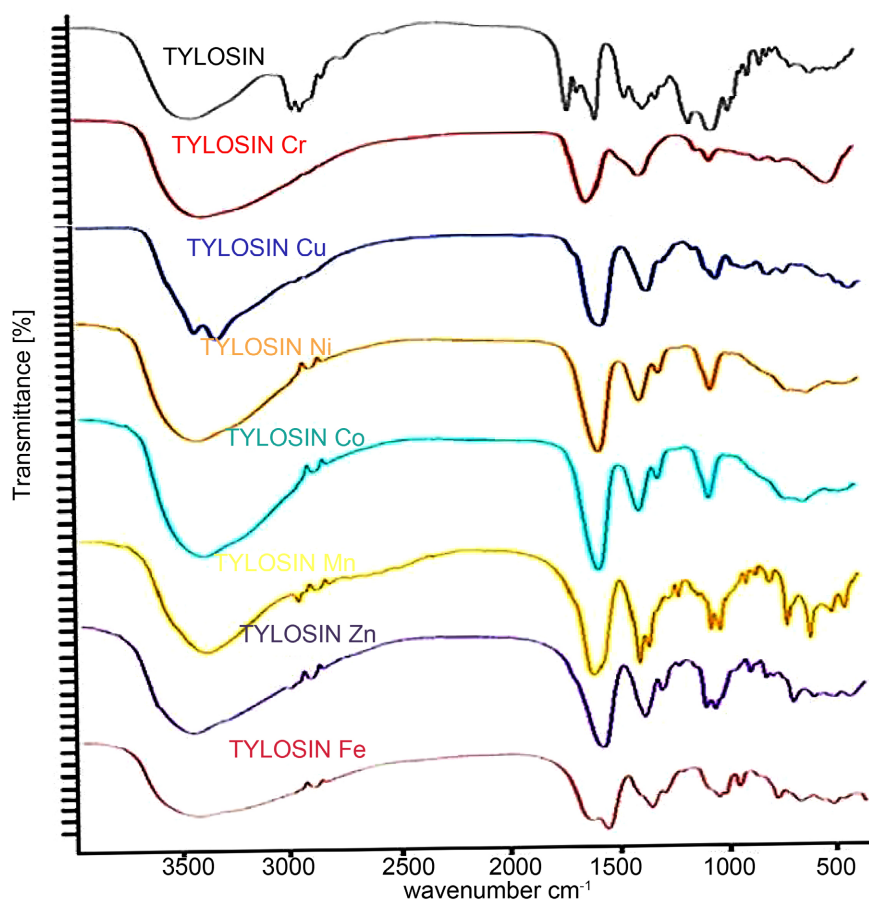
**Table 1.** Indicated elemental analysis, molecular formula, stoichiometry's, yield and color of tylosin ligand and its metal complexes.

Compound	Empirical Formula	Color	Yield (%)	Elemental Analysis, Calculated (Found) %				
	Formula Weight (gm/mol)			C	H	N	M	Cl
Tylosin (TYS-6.7H <sub>2</sub> O) Ligand	C <sub>46</sub> H <sub>90.4</sub> NO <sub>23.7</sub> 1036.71	Buff	-	53.29 (53.74)	8.72 (8.62)	1.35 (1.24)	-	-
[Fe <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ].26H <sub>2</sub> O 2:2	C <sub>92</sub> H <sub>210</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> Fe <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>62</sub> 2588.44	pale brown	89 %	42.69 (42.52)	8.11 (8.44)	1.08 (1.20)	4.31 (4.42)	5.48 (5.65)
[Zn <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>4</sub> ].25H <sub>2</sub> O 2:2	C <sub>92</sub> H <sub>212</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> Zn <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>63</sub> 2554.60	Yellowish white	94 %	43.25 (43.01)	8.30 (8.45)	1.10 (1.22)	5.12 (4.92)	2.78 (2.72)
[Mn <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>4</sub> ].22.4H <sub>2</sub> O 2:2	C <sub>92</sub> H <sub>206.8</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> Mn <sub>2</sub> O <sub>60.4</sub> 2486.92	Wine-red	88 %	44.43 (44.18)	8.32 (8.40)	1.13 (1.22)	4.41 (4.28)	2.85 (2.75)
[Cr <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ].27H <sub>2</sub> O 2:2	C <sub>92</sub> H <sub>210</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> Cr <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>63</sub> 2596.74	Dark green	83 %	42.55 (42.12)	8.09 (8.25)	1.08 (1.15)	4.00 (4.12)	5.46 (5.60)
[Ni <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> (Cl) <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>4</sub> ].28.8H <sub>2</sub> O 2:2	C <sub>92</sub> H <sub>216.6</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> Ni <sub>2</sub> O <sub>66.8</sub> 2609.38	Pale green	92 %	42.39 (42.30)	8.31 (8.32)	1.07 (1.24)	4.50 (4.37)	2.72 (2.84)
[Co <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>4</sub> ].18H <sub>2</sub> O 2:2	C <sub>92</sub> H <sub>198</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> Co <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>56</sub> 2415.71	Dark green	94 %	45.74 (45.62)	8.20 (8.26)	1.16 (1.23)	4.88 (5.00)	2.94 (2.75)
[Cu <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>4</sub> ].25H <sub>2</sub> O 2:2	C <sub>92</sub> H <sub>212</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> Cu <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>63</sub> 2550.93	pale green	94 %	43.32 (43.10)	8.31 (8.36)	1.10 (1.12)	4.98 (5.00)	2.78 (2.65)

complexes are included. The analytical findings proved that the tylosin ligand reacts in 2:2 (M:L) molar ratio with Mn(II), Co(II), Ni(II), Cu(II), Zn(II), Fe(III) and Cr(III). The complexes are highly hydroscopic. All the complexes are slightly soluble in N,N-dimethylformamide (DMF) and highly soluble in dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>). While, in ethanol, methanol and water, all complexes are insoluble. All of the complexes had a melting point values greater than 325°C.

#### 4.2. Infrared (IR) Spectra of Tylosin and Its Metal Complexes

The infrared spectrum of tylosin was interpreted by correlating the functional groups it contains in the structure of molecule to the spectrum it produces [19] [20] [21]. Spectroscopic characteristics of tylosin (Figure 2) revealed an absorption band which is observed at 1720 cm<sup>-1</sup> assigned to the lactone carbonyl group. The absorption bands at 1460, 1510 and 1560 cm<sup>-1</sup> are associated with stretches vibrations of C=O and C=C. There are several absorption bands in the range of 1050 to 1300 cm<sup>-1</sup> that are associated with the C-O group of the alcohol, ether, and ester functionalities. The C-N group promotes an absorption band in the 1180 - 1280 cm<sup>-1</sup> range. The C=O group is connected to the bands of absorption that are related to the functions of ester, aldehyde and ketone at 1380 cm<sup>-1</sup>, 1560 cm<sup>-1</sup>, and between 1650 and 1750 cm<sup>-1</sup>. The band around 1420 cm<sup>-1</sup> is attributed



**Figure 2.** Infrared spectra of tylosin (TYS) ligand and its metal complexes.

to the angular deformation of  $\text{CH}_2$  beside carbonyl. In the  $1620 - 1680 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  range, there are absorption bands related to  $\text{C}=\text{C}$  deformation. The absorption bands in the range of  $2700 - 2960 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  are related to the  $\text{C}-\text{H}$  group. Absorption bands in the region of  $670$  to  $970 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  are related to the  $\text{CH}=\text{CH}$  group. The  $\text{OH}$  group is responsible for the absorption band that spans the wavelengths of  $3200$  to  $3600 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ .

The infrared spectrum of tylosin metal complexes for  $\text{Zn}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Co}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Ni}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Cr}^{3+}$  and  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  were recorded and then compared to the IR spectrum of TYS ligand. The bands in the range ( $1720 - 1735 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) were also noticed in the tylosin metal complexes spectral sheet, which was assigned to the lactone carbonyl group which is strong evidence that there is no coordination between the lactone carbonyl group and the metal ions. The main differences are changes in the relative intensity for  $\text{OH}$  group ( $3200$  to  $3600 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ), which can conclude that metal ions coordinated with poly hydroxyl mycaminose fragment. The band at  $1250 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ , which assigned to  $\text{C}-\text{N}$  group in ligand spectral sheet, has been red shifted to the range  $1125 - 1163 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  which indicates that the metal ions may be bind with  $3^\circ$  amine donor group to form a stable metal complexes structure.

In the far IR spectra, the presence of  $\text{M}-\text{N}$  stretching vibration in the ( $510 - 585 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) range which is absent in the free ligand provides evidence that moiety

is bonded to the metal ion through nitrogen. Also the new bands were detected in the range (440 - 485)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  detected in the complexes assigned to M-O which confirmed the bonding of nitrogen and oxygen to metal ions.

### 4.3. Electronic Absorption Spectra and Magnetic Susceptibility Studies

Generally, the magnetic moment readings for metal ions at room temperature as well as the Nujol mull electronic spectral data of synthesized metal complexes have been applied to determine the possible geometry of these synthetic complexes. These measurements have been clarified in **Table 2**. However; each metal ion complex will be described and discussed independently as follows.

#### 4.3.1. Nickel Complex

The values of  $\mu_{\text{eff}}$  of Ni(II) complex  $[\text{Ni}_2(\text{TYS})_2(\text{Cl})_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4]$ , at room temperature were found to be 3.20 BM which is higher than of  $\mu_{\text{s.o}}$  value that is characterized for two unpaired electrons of Ni(II) octahedral complexes. The ensuing high value of magnetic moment may be a sign of Strong spin orbit coupling under which  $\mu_{\text{eff}} = \mu_{\text{s.o}} \cdot (1 - 4\lambda/10Dq)$ . As the spin orbit coupling constant  $\lambda$  for  $d^8$  system is ( $\lambda = -315$ ),  $\mu_{\text{eff}}$  becomes greater than  $\mu_{\text{s.o}}$ . Ni(II)-TYS complex shows four bands in their electronic spectra, suggesting distorted tetragonal geometry ( $D_{4h}$ ). These bands can be assigned to the following transitions [22].

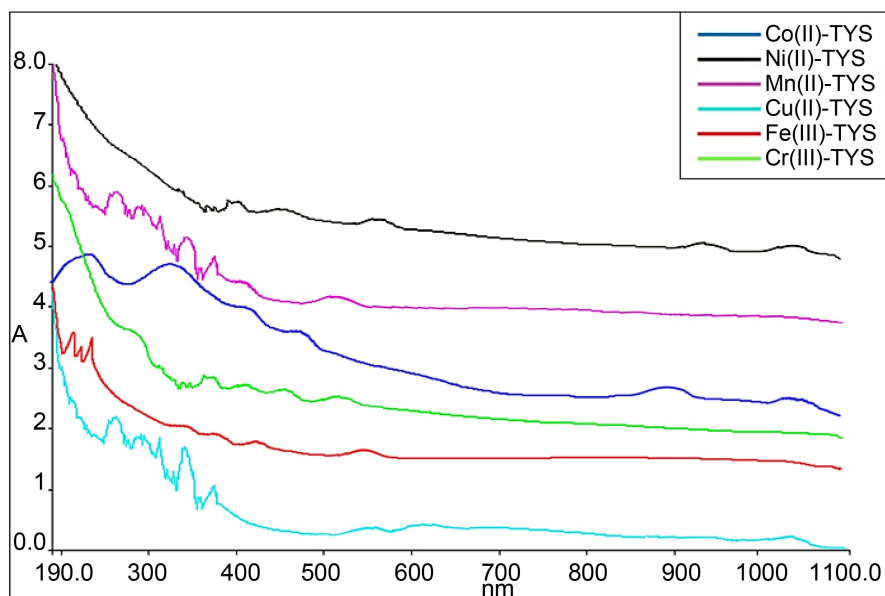
$$\begin{aligned} \nu_1 &= {}^3B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^3E_g & 10Dq - 35/4Dt \\ \nu_2 &= {}^3B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^3B_{2g} & 10Dq \\ \nu_3 &= {}^3B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^3A_{2g} & 18Dq - 4Ds - 5Dt \\ \nu_4 &= {}^3B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4E_g & 18Dq - 2Ds - 25/4Dt \end{aligned}$$

The tetragonal character is measured by the transition  ${}^3B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^3E_g^{(a)}$ . The transition  ${}^3B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^3B_{2g}^{(b)}$ , on the other hand, is unaffected by  $Ds$  and  $Dt$  while is effectively the measure of the infield splitting parameter  $Dq^{xy}$ . The axial distortion  $Dt$  is computed by using the Wentworth and Piper formula [23], which is  $Dt = 4/7(Dq^{xy} - Dq^z)$  or by another derived formula  $35/4Dt = \nu_2 - \nu_1$ . The equation  $2\nu_1 - \nu_2/10$  was used to compute  $Dq^z$ . The zero field splitting parameter ( $D$ ) has also been calculated using the expression  $D = 9k_1/\alpha^2[(\mu_{\text{eff}}/\mu_{\text{s.o}})^2 - (\mu_{\text{eff}}/\mu_{\text{s.o}}) + 1S]$  while  $k_1$ , is the splitting of the initial excited state, and it is given as  $k_1 = 35/4Dt$ . The values for the various parameters are listed in **Table 2**. The presence of four bands indicates a significant tetragonal deviation from octahedral symmetry. The positive value of  $Dt$ ,  $Ds$  and smaller value of  $Dq^z$  than  $Dq^{xy}$  are assigned to tetragonal elongated octahedral geometry of Ni(II) complex. The features of all produced bands that represent these complex transitions as shown in **Figure 3** were in strong feature and well analyzed; the complex Ni(II)-TYS shows four bands at 1041.7, 941.6, 541.1 and 416.7 nm, which correspond to the transitions  ${}^3B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^3E_g$  ( $\nu_1$ ),  ${}^3B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^3B_{2g}$  ( $\nu_2$ ),  ${}^3B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^3A_{2g}$  ( $\nu_3$ ) and  ${}^3B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4E_g$  ( $\nu_4$ ) respectively, that is a great elucidation of tetragonal elongated octahedral structure.

**Table 2.** Indicates Nujol mull electronic absorption spectra ( $\text{nm}\cdot\text{cm}^{-1}$ ), room temperature magnetic moment values ( $\mu_{\text{eff}}$ , 298°K) B.M, Ds, Dt, Dq<sup>z</sup> and Dq<sup>xy</sup> of Tylosin Metal complexes.

Complex	UV bands $\text{cm}^{-1}/\text{nm}$	Band assignment	Ds ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ )	Dt ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ )	Dq <sup>z</sup> ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ )	Dq <sup>xy</sup> ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ )	10Dq ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ )	$K_1$ ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ )	$\mu_{\text{eff}}$ (B.M)	$D$ ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ )
[Co <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>4</sub> ]	$\nu_5$ 24,850 402.4	${}^4A_{2g} \rightarrow {}^4E_g^{(c)}$								
	$\nu_4$ 20,240 494	${}^4A_{2g} \rightarrow {}^4B_{1g}$	3458.6	177.14	782	1092	10920	1550	4.79	4.56
	$\nu_3$ 10,870 920	${}^4A_{2g} \rightarrow {}^4E_g^{(b)}$								
	$\nu_2$ 9320 1073	${}^4A_{2g} \rightarrow {}^4B_{2g}$								
[Ni <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>4</sub> ]	$\nu_4$ 24,000 416.7	${}^3B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4E_g^{(d)}$								
	$\nu_3$ 18,480 541.1	${}^3B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^3A_{2g}^{(c)}$	13.28	116.57	858	1062	10620	1020	3.20	2.90
	$\nu_2$ 10,620 941.6	${}^3B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^3B_{2g}^{(b)}$								
	$\nu_1$ 9600 1041.7	${}^3B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^3E_g^{(a)}$								
[Cr <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ]	$\nu_4$ 28,110 356	${}^4B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4E_g^b$								
	$\nu_3$ 24,570 407	${}^4B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4A_{2g}^a$	3243	386	1517	2193	21930	3380	3.74	5.94
	$\nu_2$ 21,930 456	${}^4B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4B_{2g}$								
	$\nu_1$ 18,550 539	${}^4B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4E_g^a$								
[Cu <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>4</sub> ]	$\nu_3$ 17,200 581	${}^2B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^2E_g$								
	$\nu_2$ 16,100 621	${}^2B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^2B_{2g}$	1510	2232	1610	2296	16100	19530	2.17	23.00
	$\nu_1$ 9770 1024	${}^2B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^2A_{1g}$								
[Fe <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ]	$\nu_4$ 27,400 364	${}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{1g} (4P)$								
	$\nu_3$ 26,100 383	${}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4E_g (4D)$							5.60	-
	$\nu_2$ 24,150 414	${}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{2g}$ or ${}^4A_{1g}$ or ${}^4E_g (4G)$	-	-	-	-	-	-		
	$\nu_1$ 17,520 571	${}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{1g} (4G)$								
[Mn <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>4</sub> ]	$\nu_4$ 27,610 362	${}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{1g} (4P)$								
	$\nu_3$ 26,380 379	${}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4E_g (4D)$							5.75	-
	$\nu_2$ 24,410 410	${}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{2g}$ or ${}^4A_{1g}$ or ${}^4E_g (4G)$	-	-	-	-	-	-		
	$\nu_1$ 18,060 554	${}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{1g} (4G)$								





**Figure 3.** Showed electronic absorption spectra of different metal complexes of Tylosin.

#### 4.3.2. Cobalt Complex

The expected calculated value of the spin only magnetic moment ( $\mu_{s.o}$ ) of Co(II) is 3.87 B.M due to Co(II) is a  $d^7$  system with three unpaired electrons, while the actual values of magnetic moment for complex  $[\text{Co}_2(\text{TYS})_2(\text{Cl})_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4]$  is 4.79 B.M respectively. The irregular values for Co(II)-TYS complex  $\mu_{\text{eff}}$  may be attributed to  ${}^4\text{T}_{1g}$  ground state crystal field term in octahedral symmetry which makes a significant contribution to the magnetic moment of Co(II) complex in octahedral symmetry [24]. Typically, Three absorption bands are predicted to occur in the electronic spectra of Co(II) complex with perfect high spin octahedral geometry due to three probable spin allowed transitions,  ${}^4\text{T}_{1g}(\text{F}) \rightarrow {}^4\text{T}_{2g}(\text{F})$ ,  ${}^4\text{T}_{1g}(\text{F}) \rightarrow {}^4\text{T}_{1g}(\text{P})$  and  ${}^4\text{T}_{1g}(\text{F}) \rightarrow {}^4\text{A}_{2g}(\text{F})$  that represent ( $\nu_1$ ), ( $\nu_2$ ) and ( $\nu_3$ ) respectively, while due to the splitting of  ${}^4\text{T}_{1g}(\text{F})$ ,  ${}^4\text{T}_{2g}$  and  ${}^4\text{T}_{1g}(\text{P})$  in their electronic spectra, these cobalt complex of tylosin display four bands in their electronic spectra, as shown in (Figure 3), which are an evidence of axially distorted octahedral symmetry around Co(II) in these metal complexes. The electronic spectra of Co(II)-TYS complex reveal four bands, indicating axially distorted octahedral symmetry around Co(II). These bands can be ascribed to the transitions mentioned below under  $\text{D}_{4h}$  symmetry [24]:

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_1 &= {}^4\text{A}_{2g} \rightarrow {}^4\text{E}_g^{(a)} & 6/5\text{Ds} - 15/4\text{Dt} \\ \nu_2 &= {}^4\text{A}_{2g} \rightarrow {}^4\text{B}_{2g} & 8\text{Dq} + 4/5\text{Ds} - 13\text{Dt} \\ \nu_3 &= {}^4\text{A}_{2g} \rightarrow {}^4\text{E}_g^{(b)} & 8\text{Dq} + 4/5\text{Ds} - 17/4\text{Dt} \\ \nu_4 &= {}^4\text{A}_{2g} \rightarrow {}^4\text{B}_{1g} & 18\text{Dq} + 4/5\text{Ds} - 13\text{Dt} \\ \nu_5 &= {}^4\text{A}_{2g} \rightarrow {}^4\text{E}_g^{(c)} & 6\text{Dq} + 2/5\text{Ds} - 6\text{Dt} \\ \nu_6 &= {}^4\text{A}_{2g} \rightarrow {}^4\text{A}_{2g}^{(a)}(\text{P}) & 6\text{Dq} + 18/5\text{Ds} - 6\text{Dt} \end{aligned}$$

The value of  $Dq^{(xy)}$  has been calculated by using the derived equation  $\frac{\nu_4 - \nu_2}{10}$  and  $D_t$  value has been estimated from the equation  $\frac{4}{35}(\nu_3 - \nu_2)$ . The common equation,  $Dt = 4/7(Dq^{xy} - Dq^z)$  used to deduce the value of  $Dq^z$ . The positive value of  $Dt$  and  $Ds$  produced mathematically are the indication of tetragonal elongated octahedral geometry of Co(II) complex. The smaller value of  $Dq^z$ , than  $Dq^{xy}$ , support and clarify the tetragonal elongation along z-axis in Co(II) complex of tylosin. The spectra for Co(II)-TYS complex shows definitely four bands at 1073, 920, 494 and 402.4 nm that correspond to the transitions  $(\nu_2) {}^4A_{2g} \rightarrow {}^4B_{2g}$ ,  $(\nu_3) {}^4A_{2g} \rightarrow {}^4E_g^{(b)}$ ,  $(\nu_4) {}^4A_{2g} \rightarrow {}^4B_{1g}$  and  $(\nu_5) {}^4A_{2g} \rightarrow {}^4E_g^{(c)}$ , respectively. The last band  $\nu_6$  that represents the transition  ${}^4A_{2g} \rightarrow {}^4A_{2g}^{(a)}$  (P) which may be confused with the final band appeared in the spectra. The band  $\nu_1$  refers to  ${}^4A_{2g} \rightarrow {}^4E_g^{(a)}$  transition state that is unnoticeable due to the small gap between the two levels which causes absorption energy in the infrared range. From  $D_s$  and  $D_t$  values, the value of  $\nu_1$  has been estimated and found in  $3486 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ , which refers to the infrared spectrum.

#### 4.3.3. Chromium Complex

The magnetic moment of Cr(III) complex of tylosin, at room temperature was found 3.74 B.M, as shown in **Table 2**, this value of Cr(III) metal complex is close to spin only value that equal 3.87 B.M thereby, suggesting an octahedral geometry around the  $d^3$  system of chromium ion. The different values of  $\mu_{s.o}$  and  $\mu_{eff}$  may be an indication of distorted octahedral geometry of this complex [25]. The octahedral geometry of Cr(III)-TYS complex is determined due to the presence of three bands that represent the three lowest spin-allowed transitions  ${}^4A_{2g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{2g}(F)$ ,  ${}^4A_{2g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{1g}(F)$  and  ${}^4A_{2g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{1g}(p)$ , while four bands appeared in distorted octahedral geometry due to splitting occurred for  ${}^4T_{2g}$  to  ${}^4E_g^a$  and  ${}^4B_{2g}$  and also scattering of  ${}^4T_{1g}(F)$  to  ${}^4A_{2g}^a$  and  ${}^4E_g^b$  [26]. These four bands that represent distorted tetragonal octahedral geometry can be assigned to the following transitions.

$$\begin{aligned}\nu_1 &= {}^4B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4E_g^a & 10Dq - 35/4Dt \\ \nu_2 &= {}^4B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4B_{2g} & 10Dq \\ \nu_3 &= {}^4B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4A_{2g}^a & 18Dq - 4Ds - 5Dt \\ \nu_4 &= {}^4B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4E_g^b & 18Dq - 2Ds - 25/4Dt\end{aligned}$$

The calculated value of  $Dq^{xy}$  is estimated from the transition  $\nu_2$  that is equal to  $10Dq^{xy}$ . The value of  $Dt$  is calculated by the difference between  $\nu_1$  and  $\nu_2$  which is equivalent to  $(35/4)Dt$ . The symmetry plane of  $Dt$  is related to the in-plane and out-of-plane field strengths as  $Dt = 4/7(Dq^{xy} - Dq^z)$  which shows that  $Dq$  is in-plane (xy) and out-of-plane (z) Field strength, respectively. The parameter  $Ds$  has been calculated from the equation  $(\nu_3 - \nu_2) = 8Dq - 4Ds - 5Dt$ . The presence of four bands in the electronic spectral sheet of dark green chromium (III) metal

complex in the range between (350 - 550) nm is a great indication for distorted octahedral geometry. The positive value of the two field parameters Ds and Dt proved this distorted geometry. The smaller value of  $Dq^{xy}$  than  $Dq^z$  show axially elongated tetragonal structure for these metal complexes.

#### 4.3.4. Copper Complex

Cu(II) complex of tylosin has shown a magnetic moment near 2.17 B.M, which corresponds to the presence of a single unpaired electron due to  $d^9$  system of cupric ion that indicates mononuclear nature of the complex with mild paramagnetic. The difference between the spin only and magnetic moment values may be due to Strong spin orbit coupling which allows a greater value of  $\mu_{eff}$  than  $\mu_{s.o.}$ . For copper (II) metal complex of tylosin, the coordination number was six. It means that the geometry of these complexes may be distorted octahedral as tetragonal elongated structure, which can clearly determine the geometry by illustrate the electronic spectra of these Cu(II) metal complexes. In the pure octahedral coordination geometry, the  $^2D$  state of Cu(II) is split into  $^2E_g$  ground state and  $^2T_{2g}$  excited state with a single electronic transition. Therefore, Cu(II) is no longer in the pure octahedral ( $O_h$ ) geometry, and the symmetry around the metal is slightly distorted. A Jahn-Teller (J-T) distortion is taking place that changes the symmetry from octahedral ( $O_h$ ) to tetragonal structure ( $D_{4h}$ ) [27]. Due to the Jahn-Teller effect, the ground state  $^2E_g$  is further scattered into  $^2B_{1g}$  ground and  $^2A_{1g}$  excited states, and the transition state  $^2T_{2g}$  is separated into  $^2B_{2g}$  ground and  $^2E_g$  excited states. Therefore, the three bands that indicate distorted tetragonal octahedral geometry can be described by the following transitions [28]:

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_1 &= ^2B_{1g} \rightarrow ^2A_{1g} & 4Ds + 5Dt \\ \nu_2 &= ^2B_{1g} \rightarrow ^2B_{2g} & 10Dq \\ \nu_3 &= ^2B_{1g} \rightarrow ^2E_g & 10Dq + 3Ds - 5Dt \end{aligned}$$

For Cu(II)-TYS complex, the electronic spectral exhibits clearly three bands at 9770, 16100 and 17200  $cm^{-1}$  which can be attributed to three optical probable transitions,  $^2B_{1g} \rightarrow ^2A_{1g}$  ( $\nu_1$ ),  $^2B_{1g} \rightarrow ^2B_{2g}$  ( $\nu_2$ ) and  $^2B_{1g} \rightarrow ^2E_g$  ( $\nu_3$ ). In the spectrum, there is a scattered broad band at range 580 - 625 nm that reveals scattering of  $^2T_{2g}$  of octahedral geometry into  $^2B_{2g}$  and  $^2E_g$  which are close to each other [29], while the first band appeared lately at 1023 nm which assigned to  $^2B_{1g} \rightarrow ^2A_{1g}$  transition that proved distortion of axially tetragonal elongation for Cu(II) Tylosin metal complex. The value of 10Dq is estimated by determination of the second band ( $\nu_2$ ) at which the value of  $Dq^z$  by  $cm^{-1}$  is calculated by division of ( $\nu_2/10$ ). The value of  $Dq^{xy}$  is calculated directly from the popular equation that equal  $Dt = 4/7(Dq^{xy} - Dq^z)$ . The tetragonal crystal field parameters Ds and Dt founded by solving the following two equations,  $\nu_3 = 4Ds + 5Dt \rightarrow (1)$  and  $\nu_2 - \nu_1 = -3Ds + 5Dt \rightarrow (2)$ . The same positive charge value for both parameters Ds and Dt indicated an axially elongated tetragonal geometry for both structure of Cu(II) metal complexes.

### 4.3.5. Iron Complex

Magnetic moments of Fe(III) metal complex was founded to be 5.60 B.M; this value is quite near to the spin-only magnetic moment corresponding to five unpaired electrons. This is due to the fact that both Fe(III) metal complexes have a high magnetic spin and are dilute octahedral complexes. Spin-orbit coupling, which limits the spin and orbital motion of electrons to an extent, could explain the somewhat lower magnetic moment value. In the electronic spectral sheet of Fe(III)-TYS complex, there were four weak bands were detected as listed in **Table 2** which attributed to the following spin forbidden transitions [30],

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_1 &= {}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{1g} (4G), \\ \nu_2 &= {}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{2g} \text{ or } {}^4A_{1g} \text{ or } {}^4E_g (4G), \\ \nu_3 &= {}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4E_g (4D), \\ \nu_4 &= {}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{1g} (4P). \end{aligned}$$

The presence of these four weak bands is indicative of axial elongated distorted octahedral geometry for these Fe(III) complexes. So, the values of different crystal field parameters have not been estimated due to the high spin nature of Fe(III) metal. The suggested geometry of the reddish brown Fe(III)-TYS complex depends on a bidentate nature of ligand, chlorides and water which allow six coordination numbers around Fe(III) that confirm distorted octahedral structure. The first bands in the UV/Vis spectra of Fe(III) which exhibits in the region range 300 - 350 nm due to ligand metal charge transfer.

### 4.3.6. Manganese Complex

Magnetic moments of Mn(II)-TYS complex was measured to be 5.75 B.M; the spin only magnetic moment corresponding to five unpaired electrons is very close to this value, which is attributable to the fact that Mn(II) metal complex is dilute octahedral with a high magnetic spin. The slightly low magnetic moment value could be due to spin-orbit coupling, which limits the spin and orbital motion of electrons to a small extent. The Mn(II) complex of tylosin exhibit four very weak bands that was recognized in its electronic spectral data at 18,060, 24,410, 26,380 and 27,610  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  assigned to the following spin forbidden transitions [31],  $\nu_1 = {}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{1g} (4G)$ ,  $\nu_2 = {}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{2g} \text{ or } {}^4A_{1g} \text{ or } {}^4E_g (4G)$ ,  $\nu_3 = {}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4E_g (4D)$  and  $\nu_4 = {}^6A_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{1g} (4P)$ . The presence of these weak bands is indicative of axial elongated distorted octahedral geometry for these Mn(II) complex. So, the suggested geometry of Mn(II)-TYS complex depends on a bidentate nature of ligand, chlorides and water which allow six coordination numbers around Mn(II) that confirm distorted octahedral structure.

### 4.3.7. Zinc Complex

For  $[\text{Zn}_2(\text{TYS})_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4\text{Cl}_2]$  complex, the proposed structure due to the bidentate nature of Tylosin through oxygen atoms of OH group of mycarose sugar and Nitrogen atom of 3° amine group in the structure with the presence of two chloride ions and four water molecules in the inner sphere that may be a good con-

clusion for octahedral geometry of this complex. Only a high intensity band at 329 - 365 nm was observed in this complex, which was attributed to ligand metal charge transfer. No d-d transition could be observed due to the  $d^{10}$  structure of Zn(II); hence the stereochemistry could not be deduced from ultraviolet and visible spectra. However, distorted octahedral geometry is proposed for this complex based on comparisons between their spectra and those of related environments.

#### 4.4. Electron Spin Resonance (ESR) of Cu(II)-TYS Complex

In the  $[\text{Cu}_2(\text{TYS})_2\text{Cl}_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4]\cdot 25\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , we have observed the relation  $g_{\parallel} > g_{\perp} > g_e$  and the observed  $g_{\parallel}$  and  $g_{\perp}$  values which tended to be 2.43 and 2.10, respectively. These values are feature of Cu(II) ions coordinated by six ligands which form a distorted octahedral elongated along the z-axis. The ground state of the paramagnetic electron is  ${}^2B_{1g}$  ( $d_{x^2-y^2}$  state). Moreover, copper has nuclear spin 3/2 which couples with the electron spin to form four lines hyperfine splitting of the EPR spectrum (Figure 4). The nature of ligand-metal bond can ascribe according to the calculated values of  $\alpha^2$ ,  $\beta_1^2$  and  $\beta^2$ , Table 3 indicates the covalent character of the bond. The  $G$  value is founded to be 4.5 which confirms the negligible exchange coupling takes place. The value of  $G$  can be correlated by the room temperature magnetic moment value that equals 2.17 B.M for this complex, higher than the value signs to one unpaired electron 1.73 B.M due to the orbital contribution in the spin of the complexes and confirmed that the exchange interaction is negligible. Electronic absorption spectra of  $[\text{Cu}_2(\text{TYS})_2\text{Cl}_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4]\cdot 25\text{H}_2\text{O}$  showed the absorption bands  $E_1({}^2B_{1g} \rightarrow {}^2B_{2g})$  and

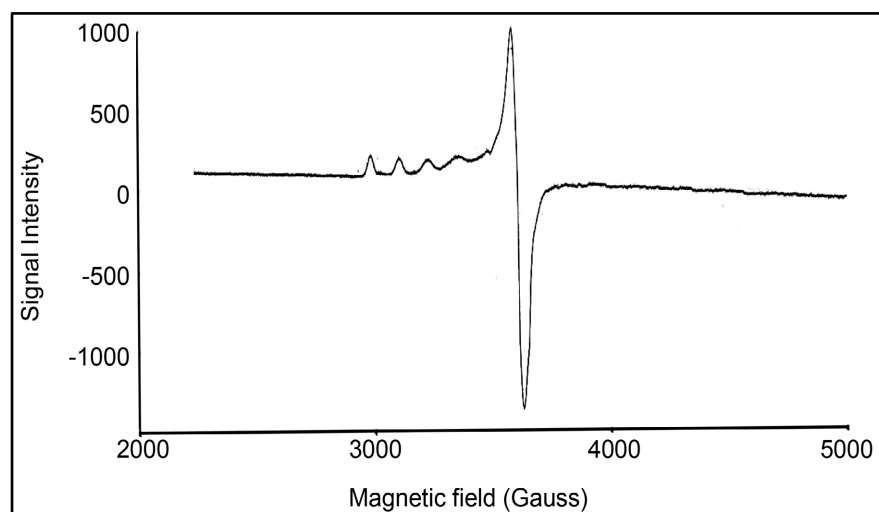


Figure 4. Showing ESR spectra of Cu(II)-TYS complex.

Table 3. Room temperature ESR spectral parameters for copper (II) complex of Tylosin.

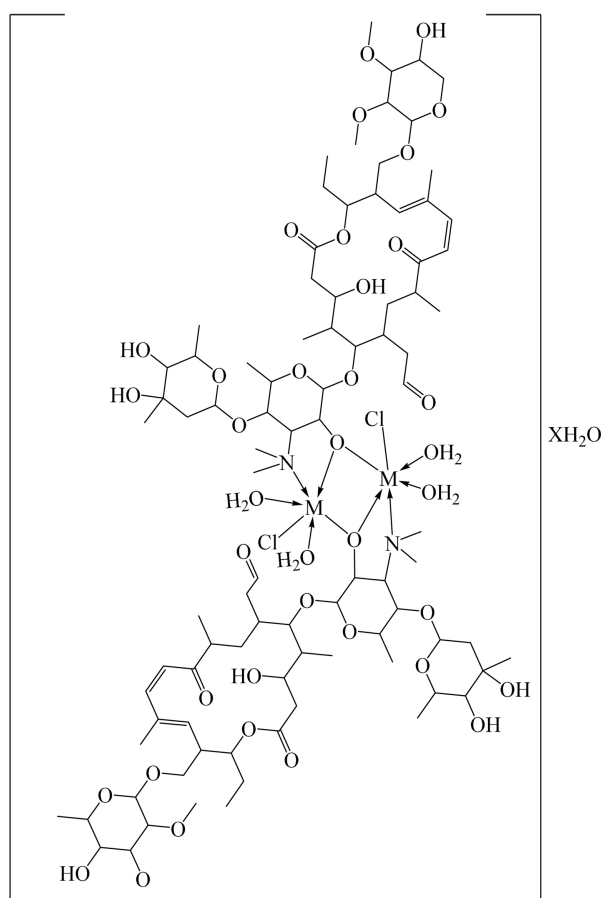
Complex	$G$	$g_{\parallel}$	$g_{\perp}$	$\langle g \rangle$	$A_{\parallel}$	$A_{\perp}$	$\alpha^2$	$F^2$	$\beta^2$	$\beta_1^2$	$g_{\parallel}/A_{\parallel}$
$[\text{Cu}_2(\text{TYS})_2\text{Cl}_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4]\cdot 25\text{H}_2\text{O}$	4.50	2.43	2.10	2.33	$65 \times 10^4$	$20 \times 10^4$	0.68	0.94	0.95	0.98	400

$E_2(^2B_{1g} \rightarrow ^2E_g)$  that attributed to the values 16,100 and 17,200  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , respectively. By comparing these values by the produced one from EPR data sheet calculations showed slightly different values as follows  $E_1(^2B_{1g} \rightarrow ^2B_{2g}) = 15,680 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  and  $E_2(^2B_{1g} \rightarrow ^2E_g) = 17,604 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . This correlation shows a great matching between the results of both electronic absorption spectra and EPR spectrum [32] [33] [34].

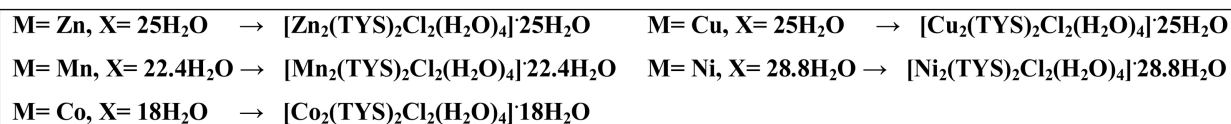
From elemental analysis, IR, electronic absorption spectra and magnetic moment values concluded structures shown in (Figure 5 and Figure 6).

#### 4.5. Thermal Analysis

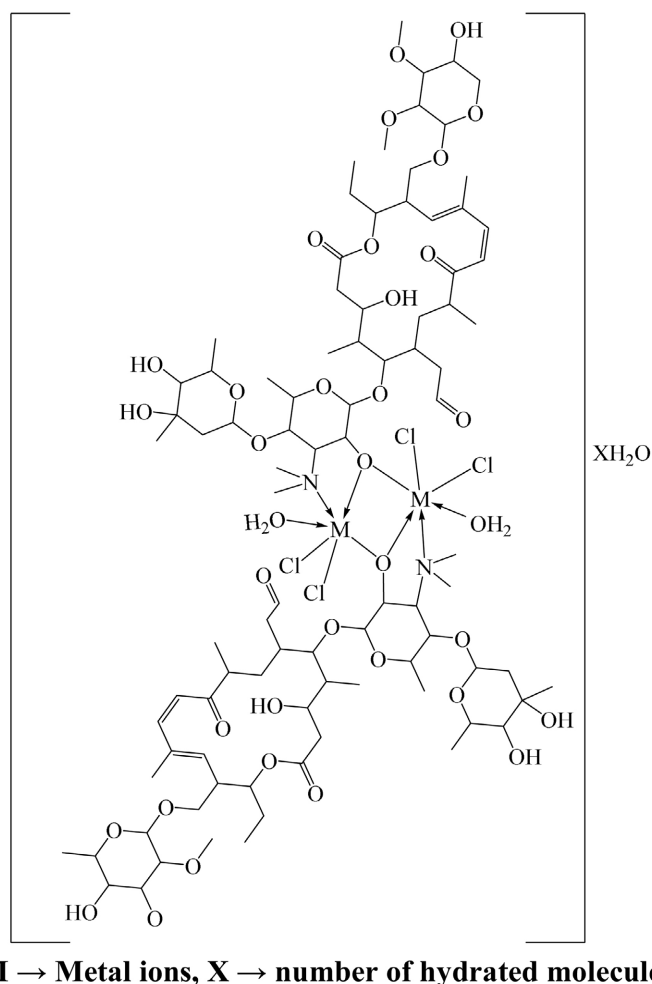
The current thermal analysis study aims to learn more about the effect of temperature on metal complexes. With a heating rate of  $10^\circ\text{C}$  per minute, TG/DTA analytical techniques were used to extensively study the thermal stability of the complexes. Their decline profiles are observed at different temperature ranges,



**M** → Metal ions, **X** → number of hydrated molecules of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$



**Figure 5.** Proposed structure of M(II)-TYS complexes, where M = Mn(II), Co(II), Ni(II), Cu(II) or Zn(II).



**Figure 6.** Proposed structure of M(III)-TYS complexes, Where M = Cr(III) or Fe(III).

resulting in a variety of thermally stable products [35] [36]. The DTA/TGA signal data, **Figure 7** for the TYS ligand dedicated two peaks. The first was endothermic and the other one was exothermic with  $T_{\text{max}}$  near 83.6 and 512.4°C and their activation energies were 20.109 and 19.226 kJ/mole, respectively. The decomposition orders are 1.58 and 0.89 which confirms that the order types are second and first, respectively. The TGA data included clearly two major steps which showed great matching with DTA data where the first step was due to the dehydration of the outer water sphere. While the other one due to the destruction of the partially dehydrated ligand with the main exit of  $\text{NO}_2$  as a result of TYS thermal cracking. The TGA sheet indicated that TYS ligand destructed without any residue percentage, as shown in **Scheme 1**.

Both of  $[\text{Cr}_2(\text{TYS})_2\text{Cl}_4(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2] \cdot 27\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and  $[\text{Ni}_2(\text{TYS})_2(\text{Cl})_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4] \cdot 28.8\text{H}_2\text{O}$  complexes are hydroscopic due to large number of outer water molecules as evidenced by a significant decline on TGA curve for both **Figure 8** and **Figure 9**. The DTA given data For the complex  $[\text{Cr}_2(\text{TYS})_2\text{Cl}_4(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2] \cdot 27\text{H}_2\text{O}$  at heating

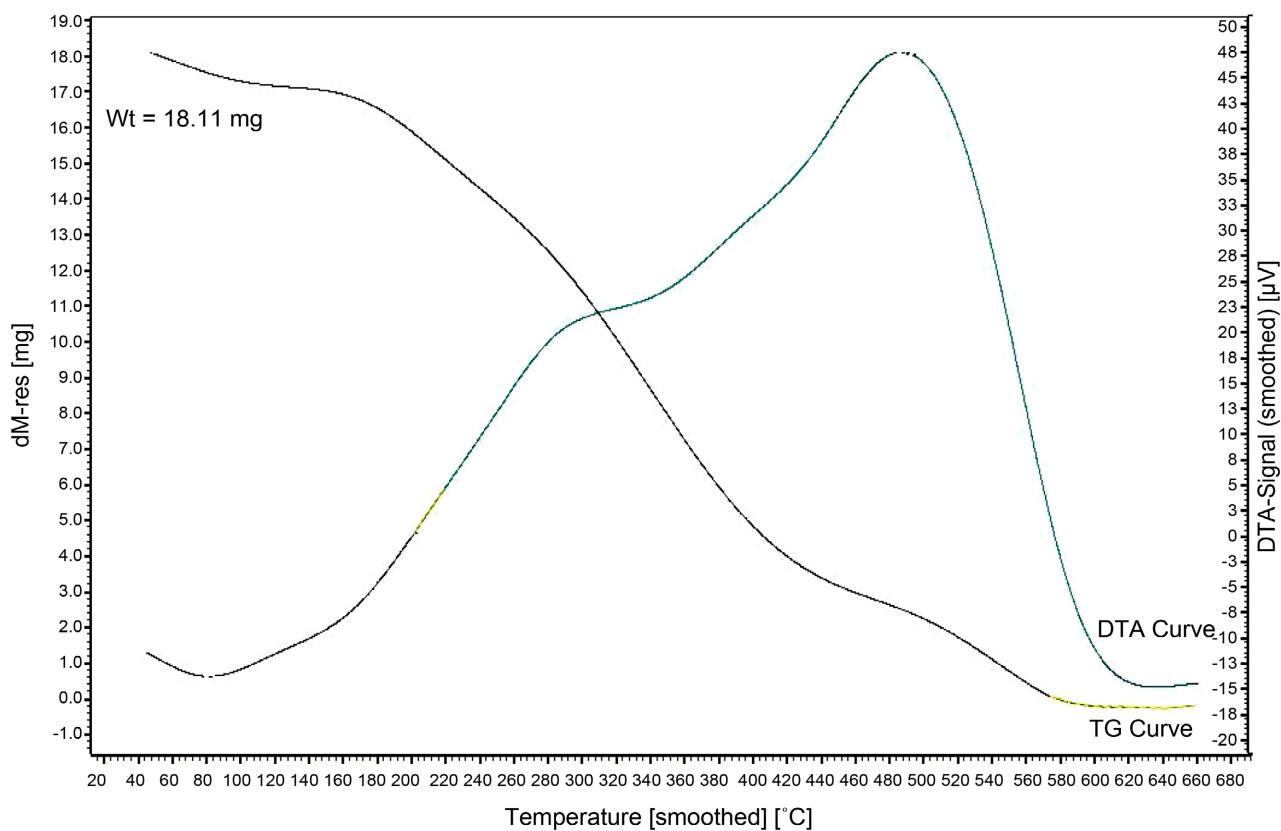


Figure 7. TG/DTA curves of TYS ligand.

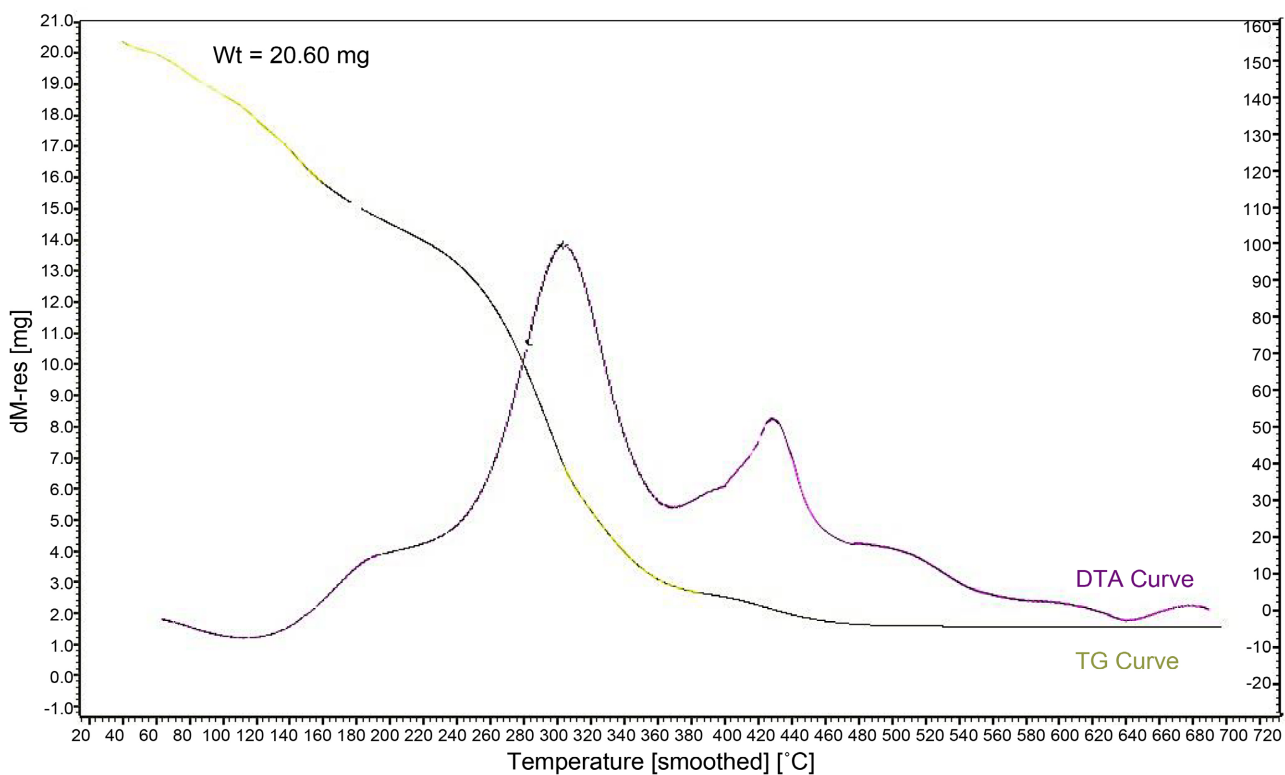
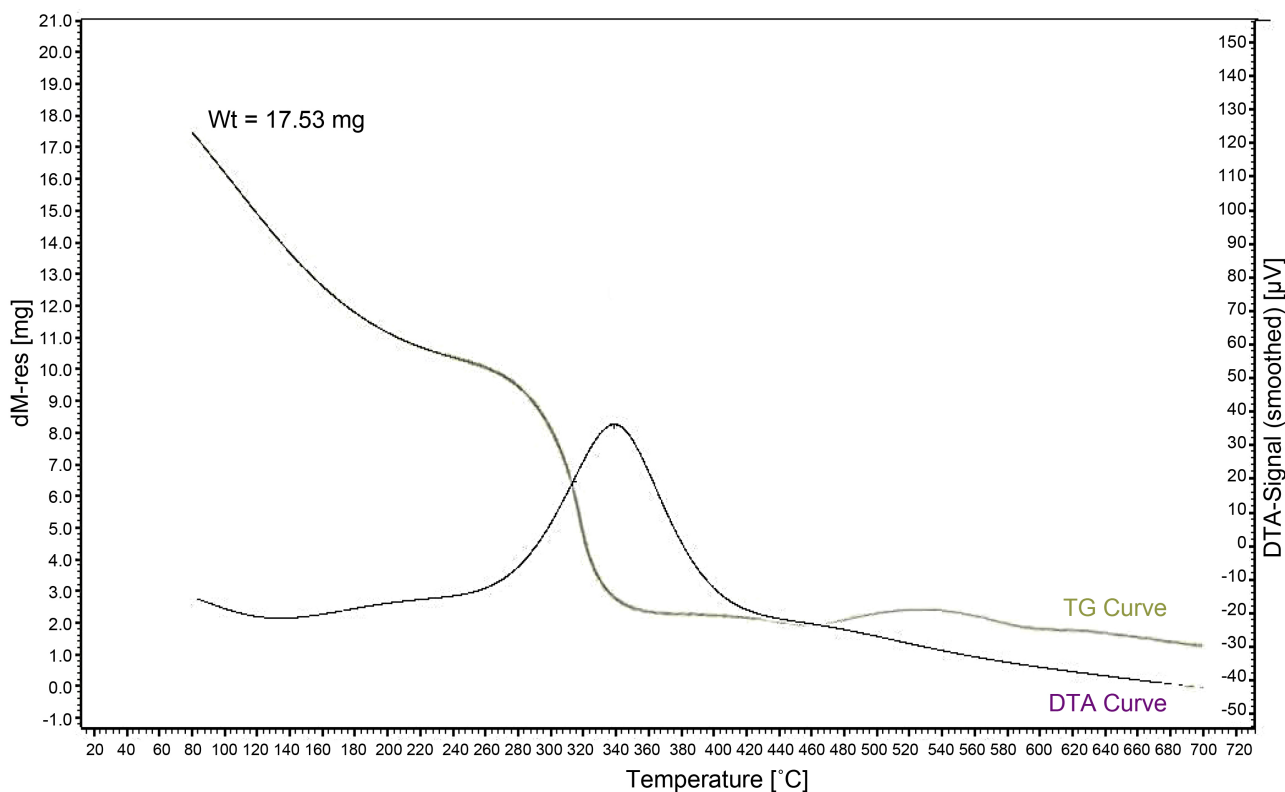


Figure 8. TG/DTA curves of  $[\text{Cr}_2(\text{TYS})_2\text{Cl}_4(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2] \cdot 27\text{H}_2\text{O}$  complex.

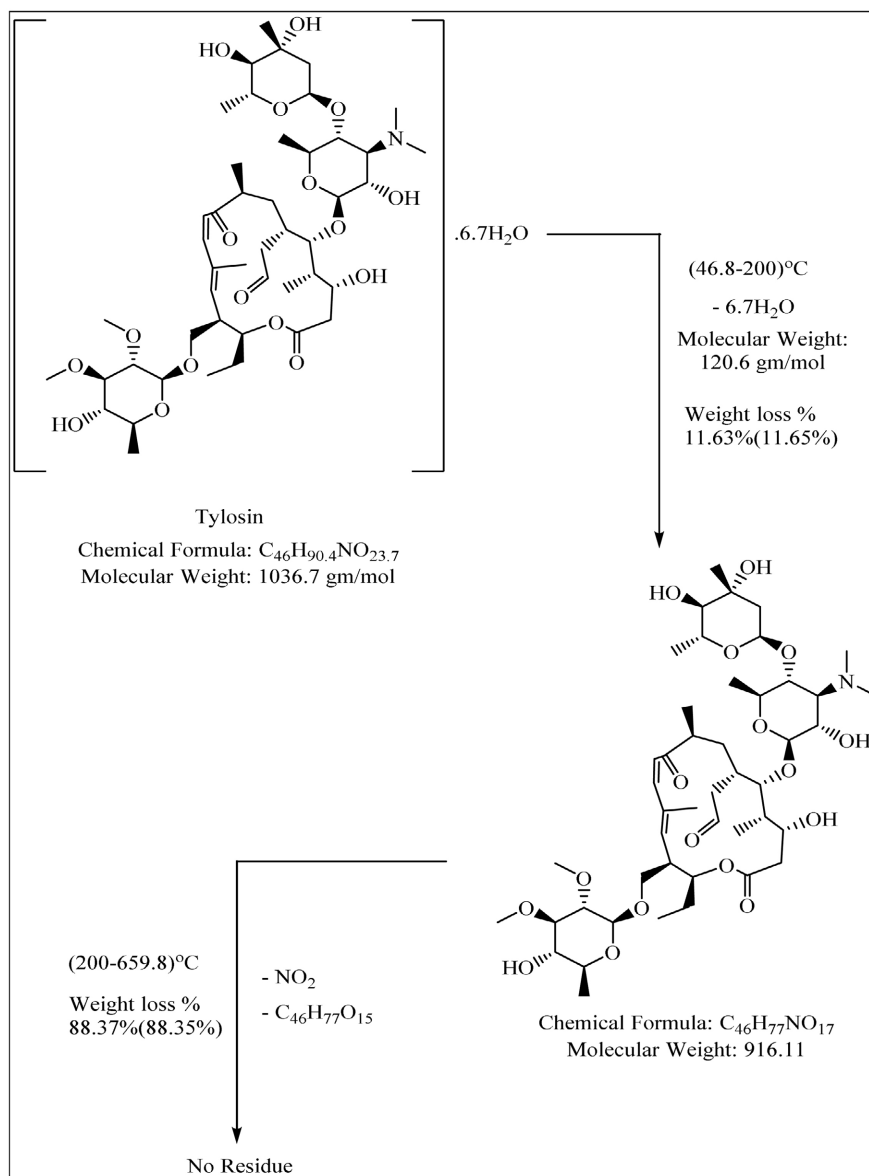




**Figure 9.** TG/DTA curves of  $[\text{Ni}_2(\text{TYS})_2\text{Cl}_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4]\cdot 28.8\text{H}_2\text{O}$  complex.

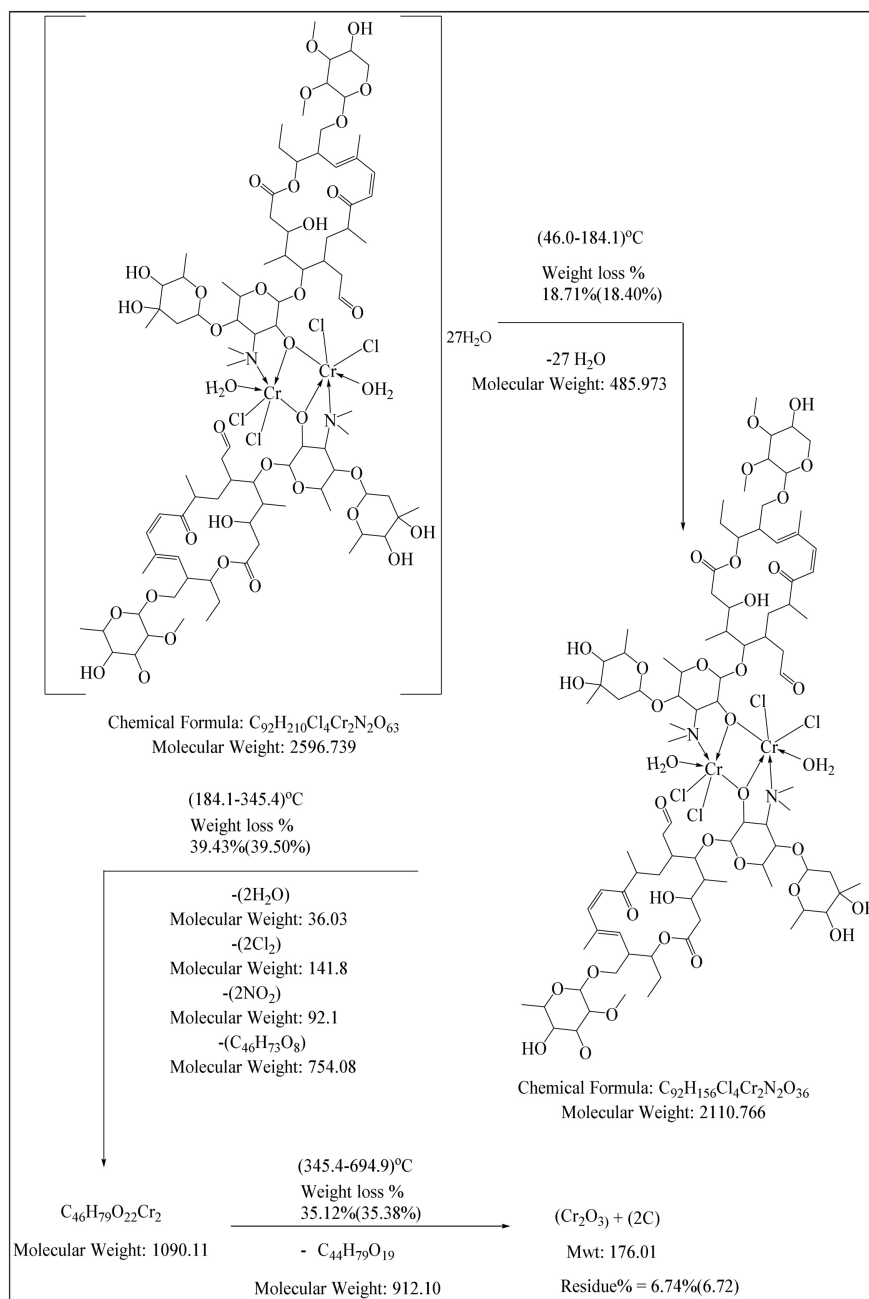
rate  $10^\circ\text{C}/\text{min}$  showed three peaks one endothermic at  $116.0^\circ\text{C}$  and the others were exothermic with  $T_{\text{max}}$   $305.8^\circ\text{C}$  and  $424.2^\circ\text{C}$  with activation energies 12.198, 32.903 and  $92.863\text{ kJ}/\text{mole}$  with orders 1.38, 1.02 and 1.71, respectively. All orders are of the first type except the last one is the second type. The TG curve shows a great decline starting from temperature  $46.0^\circ\text{C}$  till  $184.1^\circ\text{C}$  which represents a weight loss 18.71%. This high ratio of weight loss is due to a large number of outer sphere water adsorbed molecules about 27 moles. A large number of adsorbed water in this early temperature range can be explained that this metal complex is hygroscopic type and this result is greatly confirmed with a result of Karl Fischer test. By following up the TG curve noticed the second and third steps of Cr(III) thermal cracking which agreed with TGA profile. The end of thermal cracking for  $[\text{Cr}_2(\text{TYS})_2\text{Cl}_4(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]\cdot 27\text{H}_2\text{O}$  complex is formation of  $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_3$  and remain of two carbon atom which represents by residue ratio equal 6.74%. The detailed mechanism of cracking for this complex can be shown in designated **Scheme 2**. Thermal analysis DTA and TGA curves, **Figure 9** for  $[\text{Ni}_2(\text{TYS})_2(\text{Cl})_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4]\cdot 28.8\text{H}_2\text{O}$  complex show some variation from the given values of the other metal complex  $[\text{Cr}_2(\text{TYS})_2\text{Cl}_4(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]\cdot 27\text{H}_2\text{O}$  which the thermal cracking for this both complexes occurred through three steps while double decomposition steps for Ni(II)-TYS complex.

The DTA signal data for  $[\text{Ni}_2(\text{TYS})_2(\text{Cl})_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4]\cdot 28.8\text{H}_2\text{O}$  complex, at a heating rate  $10^\circ\text{C}/\text{min}$  gave two peaks one endothermic at  $T_{\text{max}}$   $130.0^\circ\text{C}$  and the second one exothermic at  $T_{\text{max}}$   $338.3^\circ\text{C}$  with activation energies 14.170 and 38.827



**Scheme 1.** Illustrated thermal cracking of Tylosin (TYS) ligand.

KJ/mole. The orders of the reactions are 1.46 and 1.40 respectively, indicating the first order for both of them. This can be demonstrated by TGA data which Ni(II) complex shows thermal stability till 79.8°C and produced well defined two peaks at (79.8°C - 248.0°C), (248.0°C - 696.6°C) with a weight loss of 19.88% which represent the dehydration of this complex and 72.55% that describe the cracking of rest molecule except for the ratio of remained part 7.57%. The process of decomposition of the complex ended with the formation of two moles of metal oxide NiO and 4C. The decomposition technique can be shown in **Scheme 3**. The values of DTA thermodynamic analysis parameters of Tylosin and its metal complexes such as activation energy ( $\Delta E^*$ ), enthalpy of activation ( $\Delta H^*$ ), entropy of activation ( $\Delta S^*$ ) and Gibbs free energy ( $\Delta G^*$ ) calculated and summarized in **Table 4**.

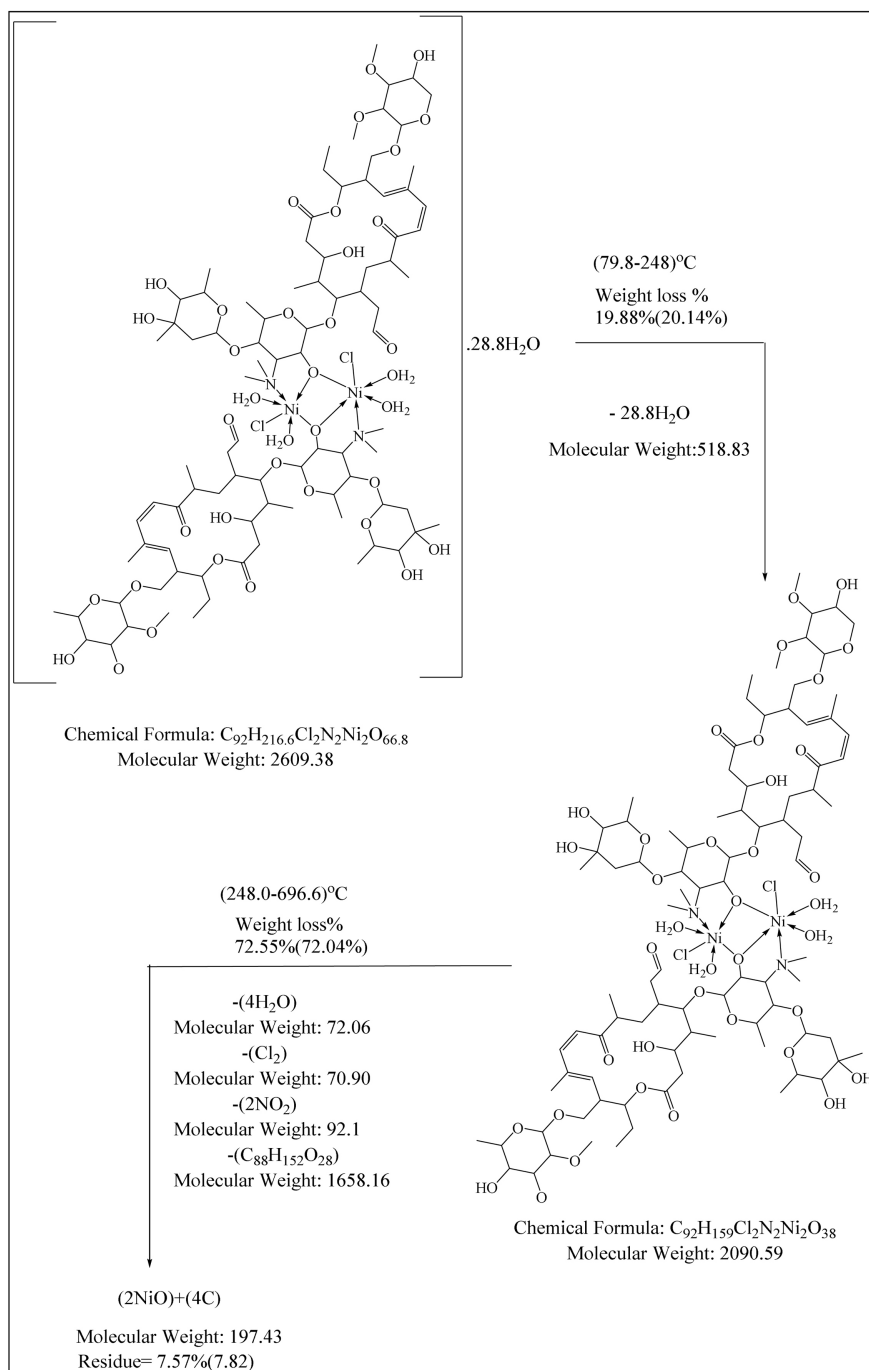


**Scheme 2.** Indicates steps of  $[Cr_2(TYS)_2Cl_4(H_2O)_2] \cdot 27H_2O$  thermal cracking.

## 4.6. Biological Assessment

### 4.6.1. Antimicrobial Activity

Using paper disk diffusion method [37], the tylosin ligand and its synthesized metal complexes were evaluated for their antimicrobial activities. Thus, these compounds were screened against *Staphylococcus Aureus* (*S. aureus*); *Bacillus cereus* (*B. cereus*) as a Gram-positive bacteria, *Escherichia Coli* (*E. coli*); *Salmonella typhimurium* (*S. typhi*) as Gram-negative bacteria and *Candida Albicans* (*C. albicans*) as a fungal strain. The results displayed in **Table 5** clearly indicate that the free ligand has exhibited inhibition effect on all tested microorganisms



**Scheme 3.** Indicates steps of  $[Ni_2(TYS)_2(Cl)_2(H_2O)_4] \cdot 28.8H_2O$  thermal cracking.

due to Structure-activity relationships (SAR) of tylosin that was evaluated in terms of their antimicrobial and ribosome-binding activities blocking the synthesis of protein [38].

However, the  $[Zn_2(TYS)_2Cl_2(H_2O)_4] \cdot 25H_2O$  and  $[Cu_2(TYS)_2Cl_2(H_2O)_4] \cdot 25H_2O$  tested compounds exhibited potent antimicrobial effect especially for Gram-positive bacterial strains (*S. aureus*); (*B. cereus*) and fungal strain (*C. albicans*) in comparison to the reference free ligand standard tylosin [38]. The

**Table 4.** DTA analysis parameters of Tylosin and its metal complexes.

Complex	Type	$T_m$ (°C)	$E_a$ kJ mol <sup>-1</sup>	$N$	$\alpha_m$	$\Delta S^\ddagger$ kJ K <sup>-1</sup> mol <sup>-1</sup>	$\Delta H^\ddagger$ kJ mol <sup>-1</sup>	$Z$ S <sup>-1</sup>	Temp. (°C) TGA	Wt. loss%		Assignment
										Calc.	Found	
Tylosin (TYS)	Endo.	356.6	20.109	1.58	0.54	-0.28	-23.65	0.28	46.8 - 200.0	11.63	11.65	- Loss of 6.7 mole of outer sphere H <sub>2</sub> O.
	Exo.	785.4	19.226	0.89	0.65	-0.31	-160.61	0.004	200.0 - 659.8	88.37	88.35	- Assigned to removal of NO <sub>2</sub> - Decomposition of the rest bulky molecule of ligand
[Ni <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>4</sub> ].28.8H <sub>2</sub> O	Endo.	403.0	14.170	1.46	0.56	-0.29	-38.11	0.013	79.8 - 248.0	19.88	20.14	- Expected for Dehydration of almost 28.8H <sub>2</sub> O molecules
	Exo.	611.3	38.827	1.40	0.56	-0.30	-101.73	0.013	248.0 - 696.6	72.55	72.04	- Elimination of coordinated 4H <sub>2</sub> O and the bulky molecule of ligand with 2NO <sub>2</sub> - Assigned to formation 2NiO + 2C
[Cr <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ].27H <sub>2</sub> O	Endo.	389.0	12.198	1.38	0.57	-0.29	-33.93	0.012	46.0 - 184.1	18.71	18.40	- Dehydration of almost 27H <sub>2</sub> O molecules
	Exo.	578.8	32.903	1.02	0.62	-0.30	-91.86	0.012	184.1 - 345.4	39.43	39.50	- Assigned to removal of 2NO <sub>2</sub> , two coordinated H <sub>2</sub> O and two molecules of Cl <sub>2</sub> . - Loss of C <sub>46</sub> H <sub>73</sub> O <sub>8</sub> of the bulky molecule of ligand.
	Exo.	697.2	92.863	1.71	0.52	-0.29	-126.08	0.026	345.4 - 694.9	35.12	35.38	- Elimination of the bulky molecule of ligand with formation of Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> + 2C

Maximum of inhibition activity (38 mm) was observed against (*S. aureus*) by Cu(II)-TYS complex. The enhanced microbial activity of zinc and copper complexes with tylosin ligand may be illustrated using chelation effect theory [39].

#### 4.6.2. Minimum Inhibitory Concentration (MIC)

MIC is useful in research facilities because it may be used to monitor antibiotic resistance and to track the activity of new antimicrobial drugs [40]. MIC is applied for some of tylosin-Metal complexes that have highest antimicrobial activity results against tested species reported in Table 5, MIC results of ligand and its metal complexes by µg/ml are summarized in Table 6.

**Table 5.** Biological assessment expressed by (10 mg/ml) for free ligand tylosin and tested complexes against bacterial strains and *Candida albicans*.

Compound	Inhibition zone diameter (mm/mg sample)				
	Gram (+) Bacterial strain		Gram (-) Bacterial strain		fungal strain
	<i>S. aureus</i>	<i>B. cereus</i>	<i>S. typhi</i>	<i>E. coli</i>	<i>C. albicans</i>
Tylosin (TYS.6.7H <sub>2</sub> O) Ligand	25	20	16	17	20
[Zn <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>4</sub> ].25H <sub>2</sub> O	36	35	16	17	28
[Fe <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ].26H <sub>2</sub> O	14	16	-	14	13
[Cr <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ].27H <sub>2</sub> O	16	16	10	18	13
[Ni <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>4</sub> ].28.8H <sub>2</sub> O	13	15	14	13	-
[Co <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>4</sub> ].18H <sub>2</sub> O	13	13	16	16	-
[Mn <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>4</sub> ].22.4H <sub>2</sub> O	12	12	19	17	-
[Cu <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>4</sub> ].25H <sub>2</sub> O	38	21	15	18	28

**Table 6.** Illustrate Minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC) by (µg/ml) of tylosin bioactive metal complexes against bacterial strains and *Candida albicans*.

Compounds	Gram (+) Bacterial strain		Gram (-) Bacterial strain		Fungal strain
	<i>S. aureus</i>	<i>B. cereus</i>	<i>S. typhi</i>	<i>E. coli</i>	<i>C. albicans</i>
Tylosin (TYS.6.7H <sub>2</sub> O) Ligand	31.25	62.5	250	250	62.5
[Zn <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>4</sub> ].25H <sub>2</sub> O	31.25	15.625	15.625	15.625	125
[Fe <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ].26H <sub>2</sub> O	250	125	250	250	250
[Cr <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ].27H <sub>2</sub> O	500	15.625	1000	500	500
[Cu <sub>2</sub> (TYS) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>4</sub> ].25H <sub>2</sub> O	31.25	15.625	15.625	15.625	125

[Zn<sub>2</sub>(TYS)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>4</sub>].25H<sub>2</sub>O and [Cu<sub>2</sub>(TYS)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>4</sub>].25H<sub>2</sub>O complexes revealed low concentration value of MIC results with *S. aureus* with the same value for both 31.25 µg/ml. For *B. cereus* species both novels tested complexes Zn(II)-TYS and Cu(II)-TYS show lower MIC values with higher antimicrobial activity with value 15.625 µg/ml. Both tested metal complexes of tylosin possess the highest activity with the lowest or equal concentration rather than the tylosin ligand that is sufficient to make the effect of bacterial inhibition.

Free macrolide ligand tylosin show lower MIC value for the fungal strain *Candida albicans* with value 62.5 µg/ml than two complexes, Zn(II)-TYS and Cu(II)-TYS which poses the highest antifungal activity has the same MIC value by 125 µg/ml. It means that the ligand has better MIC value than Zn(II)-TYS and Cu(II)-TYS complexes although both complexes have higher antifungal activity than tylosin ligand.

## 5. Conclusion

Elemental analysis and spectroscopic measurements of IR, UV/Vis, and ESR are applied to prove the structures of novel tylosin metal chelates, which are then

confirmed by thermal analyses. The analytical results were used to determine the stoichiometry of complexes. Spectroscopic Elucidation of complexes confirms tetragonal distortion geometries. An ESR spectrum of copper was studied for Cu(II)-TYS complex, which is compatible with electronic studies. The spectral data confirmed that tylosin acts as a bidentate ligand. The kinetic and thermodynamic parameters were calculated from the differential thermal analysis curves. Some complexes showed highly antibacterial and antifungal activity against some strains than free ligand. The value of MIC concluded that these metal complexes [Zn(II) and Cu(II)] could be used as effective drugs in killing bacteria and fungi in the field of pharmaceutical applications.

### Conflicts of Interest

The authors declare no conflicts of interest regarding the publication of this paper.

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