



Thermodynamics of Solvation for Nano Copper Carbonate in Mixed DMF–H₂O Solvents at Different Temperatures

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ABSTRACT The molar solubility for Nano copper carbonate (CuCO₃) in different percentages of dimethyl formamide (DMF) and water were measured at 292.15, 303.15, 308.15 and 313.15 K. From the molar solubilities for Nano CuCO₃, the solvation parameters like, activity coefficient, solubility product, free energy of solvation, enthalpy of solvation and entropy of solvation were estimated. All these solvation parameters were discussed.

1. Introduction:

Copper salts are fungicide [1]. Copper salts inhibit growth of bacteria [1]. Copper salts can cause cell death exposure to heavy metal toxic materials like copper carbonate results in two types of cell death: necrosis and apoptosis . The death of cell caused by necrosis result in swelling of cells and organelles , random disintegration of DNA , acute inflammation of cell cluster and secondary scarring . Apoptosis causes cancer and changes in hormone balance and hyperthermia. Copper salts can form the two types of cell death [2].

Our purpose is to try to estimate different concentrations of Nano copper sulfate to get rid from body and environment.

2. Experimental

2.1. Materials

CuCO₃ from Al Nasr chemicals Co. was used without purification.

DMF of the type Adwic was used.

2.2. Preparation of Nano CuCO₃

CuCO₃ of the type Adwic was milled by ball - mill. The ball – mill was a Retsch MM2000 swing mill with 10 cm³ stainless steel, double – walled tube. Two stainless steel balls of 12mm diameter and 7 gm weight for each were used. Ball-milling was performed at 20225 Hz for half an hour at room temperature (without circulating liquid and the temperature did not rise above 30°C).

2.3. Preparation of saturated solutions and solubility measurement

The saturated solutions for Nano CuCO₃ were prepared by dissolving suitable amount of solid material in closed test tubes containing DMF – H₂O solvents. The tubes were placed in water thermostat for a period of four days till equilibrium reached.

The solubility of CuCO₃ in each mixture was measured by taking 1 ml of each saturated solution and putting in small weighed beaker (10ml) and evaporated under IR lamp till dryness and then weighted [3-25].

The molar solubilities for Nano CuCO₃ were calculated by

subtracting the evaporated weights of samples minus that of empty beakers weight and calculation to changes to molar concentrations were done [26-40]. The same procedures were repeated at different temperatures.

3. Results and discussion

3.1. X-ray diffraction

The X-ray diffraction of Nano copper carbonate in Fig. (1) shows that it has about 100% of the structure is Cu₃(SO₄)₂(OH)₄ . The axial ratio of a : b : c is 0.6872 : 1.0000 : 0.5029 . The crystal system is orthorhombic – dipyramidial , the cell dimensions are : a = 8.24 , b = 11.99 , c = 6.03, z = 4 , v = 595.75 .The forms are (1 1 1) (1 1 0) (0 1 1) . The density calculated = 3.95 . The cleavage is { 0 1 0 } perfect . The crystal size calculated by the sum of values in table (1) then take the mean value which equal 43.5 nm.

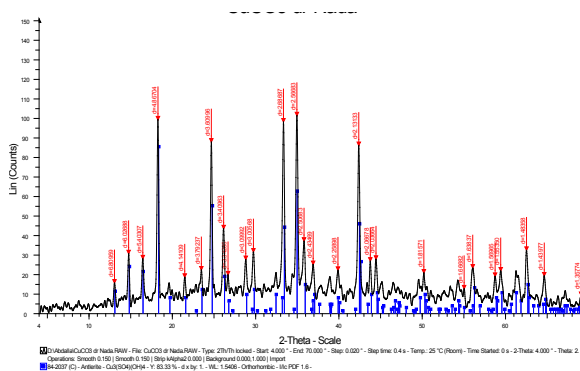


Figure (1) X-ray diffraction of Nano copper carbonate

Table (1) : Crystal size of Nano copper carbonate

Position	Area	Cry Size L(nm)	Micro-strain	RMS Strain(%)
12.98446	3.619637	52.4	0.1	0.1
14.66077	8.56753	48	0.1	0.1
16.37951	11.04145	28.7	0.1	0.1
18.1862	30.196	52.9	0.1	0.1

22.187	40.26305	3	0.1	0.1
23.40171	3.664874	55.1	0.1	0.1
24.61558	25.11545	57.5	0.1	0.1
26.08845	14.94969	38.1	0.1	0.1
28.74913	3.160116	105.4	0.1	0.1
29.60889	59.00428	3	0.1	0.1
33.27458	36.35533	42.7	0.1	0.1
34.89013	37.19016	45.9	0.1	0.1
35.74474	13.27291	35.7	0.1	0.1
36.8161	7.339889	38.5	0.1	0.1
39.09718	41.08763	3	0.1	0.1
42.33716	28.80627	58.2	0.1	0.1
43.72855	3.846022	110.4	0.1	0.1
45.17757	44.14599	3	0.1	0.1
56.06878	10.16795	34.8	0.1	0.1
59.10224	19.26676	7.5	0.1	0.1
62.53589	12.12361	48.2	0.1	0.1
64.63181	4.821295	85.5	0.1	0.1

3.2. FT.I.R Spectra

Fig. (2) shows FTIR spectra of CuCO_3 in reverse micelles. The IR spectrum in the range $400\text{-}3500\text{ cm}^{-1}$ show well pronounced broad intense peaks in case of CuCO_3 . The observed IR bands and their assignments are shown in Table 2.

The IR bands at 693.3 and 856 cm^{-1} correspond to in plane and out plane bending CO_3^{2-} . The IR bands at 1462 cm^{-1} correspond to the asymmetric C-O stretching vibration mode, while the weak band at 1059 cm^{-1} is attributed to the symmetric C-O stretching vibration[9].

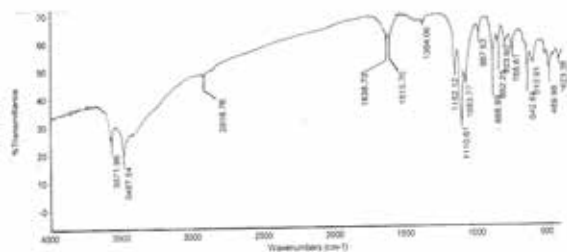
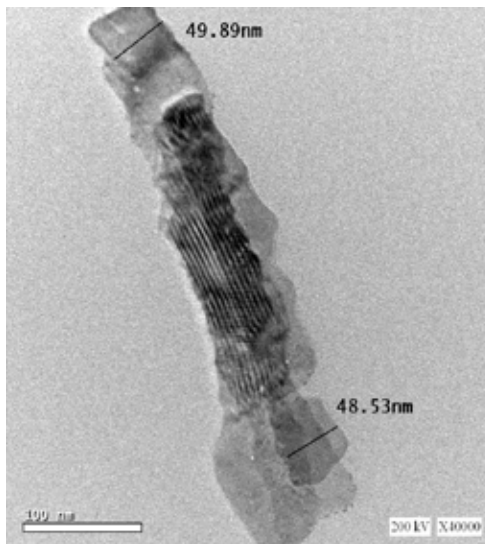


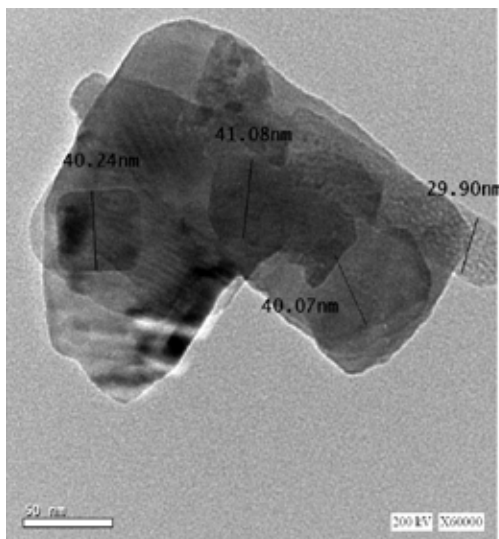
Figure (2) Fourier transform infra-red spectra of Nano copper carbonate

3.3. TEM Images

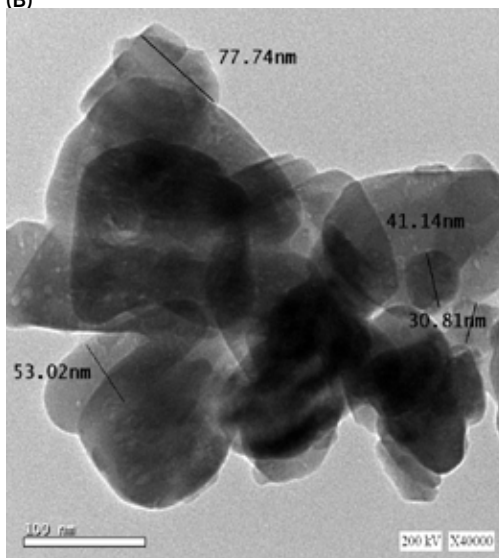
Fig. (3) shows that TEM images of CuCO_3 obtained in ethanol solution are cylinders with an average length of $3\text{ }\mu\text{m}$ and diameter in the range of 22 to 77 nm . The small sizes of Nano copper carbonate are aggregated to form higher sizes in the range from 48 to 77 nm .



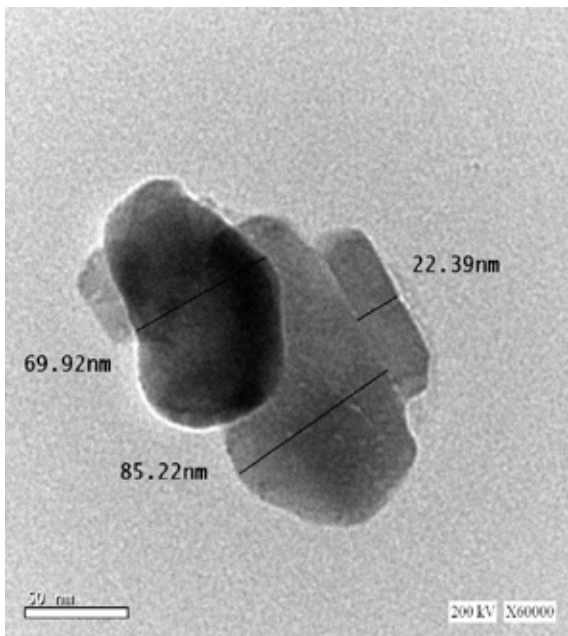
(A)



(B)



(C)



(D)

3.4. Gibbs free energies of solvation

The molar solubility (S_M) for Nano $CuCO_3$ in mixed DMF – H_2O solvents were measured at 292.15 , 303.15 , 308.15 and 313.15 K, gravimetrically by taking mean value for three reading for each solution. The S_M values are listed in tables 3, 4, 5 and 6 at different temperatures. The activity coefficients were calculated by the use of Debye – Hückel equation (1) [41-62] and their values are given also in Tables 3, 4, 5 and 6.

$$\log \gamma_{\pm} = -0.5062 \sqrt{S_M} \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

Where S_M is the molar solubility. The solubility product pK_{sp} was calculated by the use of equation (2) [45-55].

$$pK_{sp} = -2 (\log \gamma_{\pm} + \log S_M) \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

From the solubility products, Gibbs free energies of solvation ΔG_s were calculated by using equation (3) [56-62].

$$\Delta G_s = 2.303RTpK_{sp} \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

All the data tabulated in Tables 3, 4, 5 and 6. Then data reveals that Gibbs free energies of solvation decrease in positivity by increasing the mole fraction of DMF in the (DMF- H_2O) mixtures. This may be due to the ease of solvation by increasing mole fraction of DMF.

3.5. Enthalpies and entropies of solvation

From the linear plots of $\log K_{sp}$ vs $1/T$ of Nano $CuCO_3$, the enthalpies were calculated from the slopes (slopes = $-\Delta H/2.303R$) [62] and their values given in Table 7.

The entropies of solvation were calculated by use of Gibbs-Helmholtz equation (4) [60-62]

$$\Delta G_s = \Delta H_s - T\Delta S \dots\dots\dots (4)$$

Their values were also shown in Table 7 as example at 313.15K. More exothermic character (i.e. $-\Delta H$) could be obtained by adding more DMF, more negative entropies

favour, less solvation behavior.

3.6. Different volumes of Nano $CuCO_3$

The molar volumes (V_M) for Nano $CuCO_3$ were obtained from density measurements. The V_M as calculated by dividing the molecular weight of $CuCO_3$ by exact solution densities and their values were given in table 8. The packing density (ρ) as explained by Kim [52-62] , the relation between Van der Waals volumes (V_W) and the molar volumes (V_M) for relatively large molecules was found to be constant [52] and equal to 0.661.

$$\rho = V_W / V_M = 0.661 \pm 0.017 \dots\dots\dots (5)$$

The electrostriction volumes (V_e) [51-56] which is the volume compressed by the solvent can be calculated by using equation (6) as follows:

$$V_e = V_W - V_M \dots\dots\dots (6)$$

All different volumes for Nano $CuCO_3$ are presented in Table 8 which reveals that the above results demonstrate that solubilities of Nano $CuCO_3$ decrease by increase DMF percentages due to less solvation. This is supported by volume measurements.

Table (2): Assignment of IR Band Frequencies.

S. No.	Copper Carbonate	Assignments
1.	693.3 and 856 cm^{-1}	In plane and out plane bending CO_3^{2-}
2.	1059 cm^{-1}	Symmetric C-O stretching vibration
3.	1462 cm^{-1}	Asymmetric C-O stretching vibration

Table (3) : Molar solubility (S_M), log activity coefficient (γ_{\pm}) , solubility product (pK_{sp}) and Gibbs free energies of solvation (ΔG) for Nano $CuCO_3$ in mixed DMF – H_2O solvent at 292.15K

X_s	S_M	$\log \gamma_{\pm}$	pK_{sp}	ΔG kj/ mole
0.1894	3.2388×10^{-3}	-0.0288	5.0360	27.5514
0.2595	4.7863×10^{-3}	-0.0350	4.7100	25.7679
0.3528	5.6751×10^{-3}	-0.0382	4.5684	24.9932
0.4831	8.1096×10^{-3}	-0.0455	4.2730	23.3772
0.6774	11.336×10^{-3}	-0.0539	3.9988	21.8770
1.0000	7.2874×10^{-3}	-0.0432	4.3612	23.8596

Table (4) : Solvation parameters for Nano $CuCO_3$ in mixed DMF – H_2O solvent at 303.15 K

X_s	S_M	$\log \gamma_{\pm}$	pK_{sp}	ΔG kj/ mole
0.1894	6.1659×10^{-3}	-0.0397	4.4994	25.5426
0.2595	7.2878×10^{-3}	-0.0432	4.3612	24.7581
0.3528	7.7624×10^{-3}	-0.0446	4.3091	24.4627
0.4831	8.7096×10^{-3}	-0.0472	4.2144	23.9247
0.6774	9.7185×10^{-3}	-0.0499	4.1246	23.4149
1.0000	9.7185×10^{-3}	-0.0499	4.1246	23.4149

Table (5) : Solvation parameters for Nano CuCO₃ in mixed DMF –H₂O solvent at 308.15 K

X _s	S _M	log γ _±	pK _{sp}	ΔG kJ/mole
0.1894	2.3003 x10 ⁻³	-0.0430	4.3680	25.2059
0.2595	2.9000 x10 ⁻³	-0.0472	4.2164	24.3311
0.3528	3.8018 x10 ⁻³	-0.0495	4.1390	23.8845
0.4831	5.1286 x10 ⁻³	-0.0548	3.9696	22.9065
0.6774	6.4565 x10 ⁻³	-0.0683	3.6166	20.8699
1.0000	6.7608 x10 ⁻³	-0.0608	3.8036	21.9488

Table (6) : Solvation parameters for Nano CuCO₃ in mixed DMF –H₂O solvent at 313.15 K

X _s	S _M	log γ _±	pK _{sp}	ΔG kJ/mole
0.1894	8.7096 x10 ⁻³	-0.0472	4.2144	24.7140
0.2595	0.0105 x10 ⁻³	-0.0517	4.0710	23.8731
0.3528	0.01202x10 ⁻³	-0.0555	3.9510	23.1694
0.4831	1.2000 x10 ⁻³	-0.0615	3.7830	22.1842
0.6774	1.6003 x10 ⁻³	-0.0683	3.6166	21.2084
1.0000	2.7002 x10 ⁻³	-0.0715	3.5430	20.7766

Figures (4) and (5) show the relation between log K_{sp} and 1/T for different concentrations of DMF and water

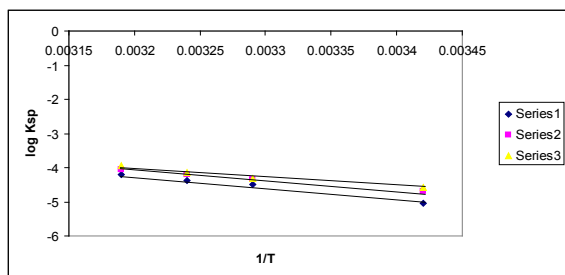


Figure (4) shows the relation between log K_{sp} and 1/T for different concentrations of DMF and water where :
 Series 1 : 50% DMF – 50% H₂O
 Series 2 : 60% DMF – 40% H₂O
 Series 3 : 70% DMF – 30% H₂O

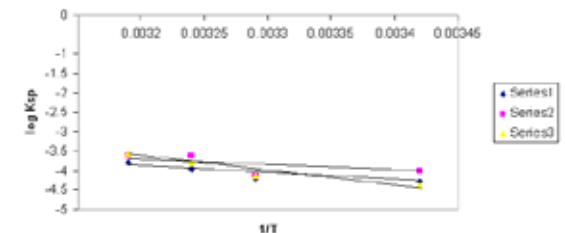


Figure (5) shows the relation between log K_{sp} and 1/T for different concentrations of DMF and water where :
 Series 1 : 80% DMF – 20% H₂O
 Series 2 : 90% DMF – 10% H₂O
 Series 3 : 100% DMF – 0% H₂O

Table (7) : Enthalpies and entropies of solvation for Nano CuCO₃ in mixed DMF –H₂O solvent at 313.15 K

X _s	ΔH kJ/mole	TΔS
0.1894	58.7917	34.0777
0.2595	55.6531	31.7800
0.3528	71.9586	48.7892
0.4831	40.7721	18.5879
0.6774	31.8022	10.5938
1.0000	99.7469	78.9703

Table (8) : The different volumes for Nano CuCO₃ at 292.15 , 303.15 , 308.15 and 313.15 K

Temperature	Concentration	V _M	V _w	V _e
292.15 K ⁰	100 % DMF	13.8640	9.1641	-4.6999
	90 % DMF	13.6247	9.0059	-4.6188
	80 % DMF	13.4228	8.8724	-4.5504
	70 % DMF	13.2083	8.7306	-4.4777
	60 % DMF	13.2498	8.7581	-4.4917
	50 % DMF	13.1020	8.6604	-4.4416
303.15 K ⁰	100 % DMF	13.2238	8.7409	-4.4829
	90 % DMF	13.3062	8.7953	-4.45109
	80 % DMF	13.6091	8.9956	-4.6135
	70 % DMF	13.7501	9.0888	-4.6613
	60 % DMF	13.1363	8.6831	-4.4532
	50 % DMF	13.4612	8.8978	-4.5634
308.15 K ⁰	100 % DMF	13.0787	8.6450	-4.4337
	90 % DMF	13.5862	8.9805	-4.6057
	80 % DMF	13.3950	8.8541	-4.5409
	70 % DMF	13.3801	8.8442	-4.5359
	60 % DMF	13.1876	8.7170	-4.4706
	50 % DMF	12.9852	8.5832	-4.4020
313.15 K ⁰	100 % DMF	15.2408	10.0742	-5.1666
	90 % DMF	15.2381	10.0724	-5.1657
	80 % DMF	13.5479	8.9552	-4.5927
	70 % DMF	13.1231	8.6744	-4.4487
	60 % DMF	13.0440	8.6221	-4.4219
	50 % DMF	13.0939	8.6551	-4.4388

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