

**Synthesis, thermal properties and biological study of metal(II) nicotinamide complexes containing fumarate dianion and fumaric acid: crystal structure of  $[\text{Ni}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4(\text{nia})_2](\text{fum}) \cdot (\text{H}_2\text{fum})$**

**Abstract**

New divalent transition metal nicotinamide (nia) complexes containing fumarate (fum) dianion and fumaric acid ( $\text{H}_2\text{fum}$ ),  $[\text{M}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4(\text{nia})_2](\text{fum}) \cdot (\text{H}_2\text{fum})$  [ $\text{M} = \text{Co}$  (1),  $\text{Cu}$  (2) and  $\text{Ni}$  (3)] have been synthesized. The compounds were characterized by elemental analyses, IR, UV-vis, XRPD and TGA. Structural analysis of 3 using single crystal X-ray diffraction technique revealed that the Ni(II) ion is coordinated by four aqua and two nicotinamide ligands in an octahedral geometry. The structure of 3 is completed with fumarate ( $\text{fum}^{2-}$ ) dianion acting as counter-ion while fumaric acid ( $\text{H}_2\text{fum}$ ) is present as a molecule of solvation. The three complexes were investigated for biological activities.