Ethyl Acetoacetate and Acetylacetone Appended Hexabromo Porphyrins: Synthesis, Spectral, Electrochemical, and Femtosecond Third-Order Nonlinear Optical Studies

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EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

Materials

Copper(II) acetate monohydrate, nickel(II) acetate tetrahydrate, ethylacetoacetate, K_2CO_3 , P_2O_5 , CaH₂, acetylacetone, benzaldehyde, N-bromosuccinimde (NBS) and copper nitrate trihydrate were purchased from HiMedia, India and used as received except NBS. Pyrrole was purchased from Alfa Asear, UK. DMF, DMSO, and propionic acid were bought from Thomas Baker and utilized as obtained. The solvents (CHCl₃, hexane, dichloromethane, and methanol) employed in this work were of analytical grade and dried or distilled before use. NBS were recrystallized from hot water and dried in hot air oven for 7 hrs. DCM utilized for Cyclic voltammetric studies were distilled twice using P_2O_5 and finally with CaH₂. TBAPF₆ was

recrystallized in ethanol (hot) and dried for 24 h at 40 °C. Precoated silica chromatographic plates were purchased from E. Merck.

Instrumentation and methods employed

The optical electronic spectra were recorded on Shimadzu UV-2600 spectrophotometer using a pair of quartz cells with $1 \text{ cm} \times 1 \text{ cm}$ dimension, 10 mm path length, and 3.5 ml volume in distilled chloroform. The steady-state emission spectra were recorded on Hitachi F-4600 spectrofluorometer using a quartz cell of 10 mm path length in distilled chloroform. The absolute quantum yield (ϕ) is determined by comparing the number of emitted photons with the number of absorbed photons using Edinburgh instruments FLS 980. All the proton and carbon NMR spectra were recorded on JEOL ECX400 MHz instrument in CDCl₃ (solvent) at 298 K. MALDI-TOF-MS were recorded in positive ion mode on BrukerUltrafleXtreme-TN MALDI-TOF/TOF spectrometer using HABA (2-(4-hydroxyphenylazo)benzoic acid) as a matrix at 298 K. The cyclic voltammetric studies were done on CH instruments (CHI 620E) by aid of a self-reliant three electrode assembly, comprising a working electrode (Platinum electrode), reference electrode (Ag/AgCl) and counter electrode (Platinum wire) using 0.1 M TBAPF₆ as supporting electrolyte at 298 K and 100 mV/s as scan rate. The electrochemical experiments were done in distilled CH₂Cl₂ with maintained concentration of approximately 1mM and degassing was done by purging argon gas. The optimization of synthesized porphyrins in ground state were done using Gaussian 16, where LANL2DZ was basis set and B3LYP as functional set. Elemental composition was measured using VarioMICRO CHNS instrument having serial number 15136064 using temperature range 1150 - 850 °C. Infrared red spectra were recorded PerkinElmer FTIR spectrometers. Using Lithium Tantalate MIR as detector with a SNR of 9300:1. The method employed for measurement was 2 mg chem80s. The NLO experiments were carried out by a femtosecond pulsed laser [M/s Coherent, Libra] with a pulse width ~50 fs, repetition rate of 1 kHz, and a wavelength of 800 nm. A lock-in amplifier and a photo-diode were utilized to gather the signals using LabVIEW program. We employed 1D translational stage to scan the sample within the Rayleigh range to collect NLO absorption and refraction data, more information is available in our earlier reports.^[1-3]

Synthetic Procedures:

 H_2 TPP, CuTPP, NiTPP, CuTPP(NO₂), NiTPP(NO₂), CuTPP(NO₂)Br₆, and NiTPP(NO₂)Br₆ were synthesized according to literature methods.^[4]

General Synthetic procedure of 2-(1-ethoxy-3-oxobutanone)-7,8,12,13,17,18-hexabromo-5,10,15,20-tetraphenyl Porphyrin/Porphyrinato metal (II); MTPP[EAA]Br₆ where M = 2H, Cu(II), Ni(II).

In a double neck R.B, 50 mg of MTPP(NO₂)Br₆ (M = 2H, Cu(II), and Ni(II)), 10 equiv. K₂CO₃, and 10 equiv. EAA (ethylacetoacetate) was added to 4 ml DMSO and the reaction mixture was degassed with argon gas for 15 minutes. After that, the reaction mixture was allowed to stir for 40 min at 60 °C on magnetic stirrer under inert conditions. After completion of the reaction, washing was given three times with saturated solution of sodium chloride and porphyrin was collected in chloroform, which was rota evaporated and resulted in crude product. The purification of crude product was done with the help of column chromatography using chloroform and hexane as eluent (3:2), further the recrystallization was done in CHCl₃:MeOH (2:98).

H₂**TPP[EAA]Br**₆ (1-H₂): Yield = 65%, 36 mg, 0.029 mmol, UV/Vis (CHCl₃): λ_{max} , nm (logε): 367(sh), 469(5.21), 566(4.93), 627(4.23), 741(3.88). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 12.77(s,1H, -OH), 8.28(s,1H, β-H), 8.24-8.01(m, 8, meso-*o*-H), 7.91-7.60(m,12, meso-*m*,*p*-H),4.30-4.01(m, 2H, OCH₂), 2.17(s, 3H, COCH₃), 0.896-0.862(t, 3H, -CH₃), -1.69(bs, 2H, -NH). MALDI-TOF-MS (m/z): found [M]⁺ = 1216.913, calcd. [M]⁺ = 1216.255. Anal. Calcd. for C₅₀H₃₂Br₆N₄O₃: C, 49.38; H, 2.65; N, 4.61. Found C, 49.56; H, 2.28; N, 4.38.

CuTPP[EAA]Br6 (1-Cu): Yield = 72%, 38 mg, 0.0297 mmol, UV/Vis (CHCl₃): λ_{max} , nm (log ε): 352 (sh), 442(4.74), 575(3.73), 622(3.27). MALDI-TOF-MS (m/z): found [M⁺-Br] = 1197.768, calcd. [M⁺ - Br] = 1197.788. Anal. Calcd. for C₅₀H₃₀Br₆CuN₄O₃: C, 47.00; H, 2.37; N, 4.38. Found C, 46.25; H, 2.82; N, 4.92.

NiTPP[EAA]Br6 (1-Ni): Yield = 62%, 33 mg, 0.026 mmol, UV/Vis (CHCl₃): λ_{max} , nm (log ε): 332 (sh), 441(5.19), 556(4.11), 598(3.76). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 12.66(s,1H, - OH), 8.02(s,1H, β -H), 7.93-7.52(m,20, meso-*o*,*m*,*p*-H),4.22-3.94 (m, 2H, OCH₂), 2.34(s, 3H, COCH₃), 1.14-1.11(t, 3H, -CH₃). MALDI-TOF-MS (m/z): found [M - COCH₃]⁺ = 1230.916, calcd. [M - COCH₃]⁺ = 1230.916. Anal. Calcd. for C₅₀H₃₀Br₆NiN₄O₃: C, 47.18; H, 2.38; N, 4.40. Found C, 47.42; H, 2.06; N, 4.65.

General Synthetic procedure of 2-(1-Acetyl-2'-oxopropyl)-7,8,12,13,17,18-hexabromo-5,10,15,20-tetraphenyl Porphyrin/Porphyrinato metal (II); MTPP[acac]Br₆, where M = 2H, Cu(II), and Ni(II).

In a double neck R.B, 50 mg of MTPP(NO₂)Br₆ (M = 2H, Cu(II), and Ni(II)), 10 equiv. K₂CO₃, and 10 equiv. acac (acetylacetone) was added to 4 ml DMSO and purged with argon gas for 15 minutes. After purging, the reaction mixture was allowed to stir for 40 min at 60 °C on magnetic stirrer under inert conditions. After completion of the reaction, washing was given three times with saturated solution of sodium chloride, porphyrin was collected in chloroform, which was rota evaporated and resulted in crude product. The purification of crude product was done with the help of column chromatography using chloroform and hexane as eluent (3:2), further the recrystallization was done in CHCl₃:MeOH (2:98).

H₂**TPP[acac]Br**₆ (2-H₂): Yield = 69%, 36 mg,0.030 mmol, UV/Vis (CHCl₃): λ_{max} , nm (logε): 325(sh), 462(5.18), 560(3.92), 612(3.85),720(3.91). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 16.44(s,1H, -OH), 8.27(s,1H, β-H), 8.23-7.97(m, 8, meso-*o*-H), 7.83-7.63 (m,12, meso-*m,p*-H), 2.163(s, 3H, -CH₃) . MALDI-TOF-MS (m/z): found [M]⁺ = 1186.703, calcd. [M]⁺ = 1186.229. Anal. Calcd. for C₄₉H₃₀Br₆N₄O₂: C, 49.61; H, 2.55; N, 4.72. Found C, 49.98; H, 2.82; N, 4.58.

CuTPP[acac]Br₆ (2-Cu): Yield = 80%, 42 mg, 0.033 mmol, UV/Vis (CHCl₃): λ_{max} , nm (log ε): 354(sh), 443(5.23), 575(4.23), 626(3.74). MALDI-TOF-MS (m/z): found [M]⁺ = 1247.981, calcd. [M]⁺ = 1247.742. Anal. Calcd. for C₄₉H₂₈Br₆CuN₄O₂: C, 47.17; H, 2.26; N, 4.49. Found C, 47.34; H, 2.02; N, 4.18.

NiTPP[acac]Br₆ (2-Ni): Yield = 59%, 31 mg, 0.025 mmol, UV/Vis (CHCl₃): λ_{max} , nm (log ε): 333(sh), 443(5.09), 558(3.98), 593(3.66). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 16.33(s,1H, - OH), 8.06(s,1H, β -H), 7.96-7.92(m, 6, meso-*o*-H), 7.74-7.55 (m,14, meso-*m,p*-H), 1.810(s, 3H, -CH₃). MALDI-TOF-MS (m/z): found [M+H]⁺ = 1243.901, calcd. [M+H]⁺ = 1243.902. Anal. Calcd. for C₄₉H₂₈Br₆NiN₄O₂: C, 47.35; H, 2.27; N, 4.51. Found C, 47.51; H, 2.32; N, 4.29.



Figure S1. The optical absorption spectra of $H_2TPP[EAA]Br_6$ (1-H₂), $H_2TPP[acac]Br_6$ (2-H₂), NiTPP[EAA]Br₆ (1-Ni), and NiTPP[acac]Br₆ (2-Ni) in CHCl₃ at 298 K.



Figure S2. (a) The comparative emission spectra of H_2 TPP, H_2 TPP[EAA]Br₆ (**1-H**₂), and H_2 -TPP[acac]Br₆ (**2-H**₂) in CHCl₃ at 298 K. (b) The emission spectra of H_2 TPP[EAA]Br₆ (**1-H**₂), and H_2 -TPP[acac]Br₆ (**2-H**₂) in CHCl₃ at 298 K.



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Figure S5. The ¹H NMR spectrum of NiTPP[acac]Br₆ (2-Ni) in CDCl₃ at 298 K.



Figure S6. The ¹³ C NMR spectrum of H_2 TPP[EAA]Br₆ (1-H₂) in CDCl₃ at 298 K.



Figure S7. The ¹³ C NMR spectrum of H_2 TPP[acac]Br₆ (2-H₂) in CDCl₃ at 298 K.



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Figure S28. TD-DFT UV-vis Spectrum for $H_2TPP[EAA]Br_6$ (1- H_2) and $H_2TPP[acac]Br_6$ (2- H_2) respectively.

Porphyrins	λ_{abs} (nm)		λ_{em} (nm)	ϕ_{f}
_	B-band	Q-bands	_	
H ₂ TPP[EAA]Br ₆ (1-H ₂)	367(sh), 469(5.21)	566(3.93), 627(4.13), 741(3.88)	742	0.0093
CuTPP[EAA]Br ₆ (1-Cu)	352(sh), 442(4.73)	575(3.73), 622(3.28)		
NiTPP[EAA]Br ₆ (1-Ni)	332(sh), 441(5.19)	556(4.11), 598(3.75)		
H ₂ TPP[acac]Br ₆ (2-H ₂)	325(sh), 462(5.18)	560(3.92), 612(3.85), 720(3.91)	709	0.012
CuTPP[acac]Br ₆ (2-Cu)	354(sh), 443(5.23)	575(4.23), 626(3.74)		
NiTPP[acac]Br ₆ (2-Ni)	332(sh), 441(5.09)	556(3.98), 598(3.66)		

Table S1. The photophysical data of synthesized porphyrins in CHCl₃ at 298 K.

* Within parenthesis is log*e*

Table S2. Data of selected bond angles (°) and bond lengths (Å) of $H_2TPP[EAA]Br_6$ (1-H₂), $H_2TPP[acac]Br_6$ (2-H₂), CuTPP[EAA]Br6 (1-Cu), CuTPP[acac]Br₆ (2-Cu), and NiTPP[acac]Br₆ (2-Ni), calculated from ground state optimized geometries using B3LYP as functional and LANL2DZ as basis set.

	H ₂ TPP[EAA]Br ₆	H ₂ TPP[acac]Br ₆	CuTPP[EAABr ₆	CuTPP[acac]Br ₆	NiTPP[acac]Br ₆			
	(1-H ₂)	(2-H ₂)	(1-Cu)	(2-Cu)	(2-Ni)			
Bond length (Å)								
M - N			2.003	2.004	2.013			
M - N'			2.016	2.015	2.025			
N- C _a	1.391	1.390	1.395	1.392	1.394			
N - C _α '	1.387	1.387	1.396	1.396	1.397			
C_{α} - C_{β}	1.446	1.450	1.460	1.460	1.462			
$C_{\alpha}' - C_{\beta}'$	1.470	1.473	1.459	1.459	1.460			
$C_{\beta} - C_{\beta}$	1.391	1.388	1.379	1.379	1.380			
$C_{\beta}' - C_{\beta}'$	1.379	1.377	1.381	1.381	1.381			
$C_{\alpha} - C_{m}$	1.422	1.418	1.415	1.415	1.417			
C_{α}' - C_m	1.429	1.425	1.416	1.417	1.418			
Δ24	0.546	0.546	0.559	0.558	0.545			
ΔC_{β}	0.973	1.160	1.161	1.62	1.112			
ΔM			0.006	0.014	0.000			
Bond Angle (°)								

N - M - N			173.67	174.07	172.58
N' - M - N'			173.17	172.87	173.06
M - N - C _α			123.65	123.60	124.17
M - N' - C _α '			123.47	123.46	123.79
$N - C_{\alpha} - C_{m}$	124.07	124.37	123.58	123.54	123.73
$N' - C_{\alpha}' - C_m$	122.64	123.09	123.08	123.08	123.33
$N - C_{\alpha} - C_{\beta}$	105.75	105.54	108.39	108.40	108.31
$N' - C_{\alpha}' - C_{\beta}'$	109.05	108.95	108.00	108.01	107.82
$C_{\beta} - C_{\alpha} - C_{m}$	129.59	129.91	127.77	127.79	127.73
$C_{\beta}' - C_{\alpha}' - C_m$	127.92	127.73	128.64	128.62	128.60
$C_{\alpha} - C_{m} - C_{\alpha}'$	120.95	122.35	121.35	121.34	122.07
C_{α} - N- C_{α}	111.67	111.83	107.74	107.74	107.85
$C_{\alpha}' - N - C_{\alpha}'$	107.48	107.54	108.16	108.16	108.37

 $\Delta 24$ = displacement for porphyrin core atoms from mean plane, ΔC_{β} = mean plane displacement of β pyrrole



carbon atoms.

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