## **Supporting Information**

## Gallium and indium complexes with new hexadentate

## bis(semicarbazone) and bis(thiosemicarbazone) chelators

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Fig. S1 IR spectrum of hfma.



Fig. S2 <sup>1</sup>H spectrum of hfma in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



Fig. S3 <sup>13</sup>C spectrum of hfma in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



Fig. S4 LR-ESI(+)-MS spectrum of hfma.



Fig. S5 IR spectrum of H₄bsc.



**Fig. S6** <sup>1</sup>H spectrum of **H**<sub>4</sub>**bsc** in DMSO-*d6*.



**Fig. S7** <sup>13</sup>C spectrum of **H**<sub>4</sub>**bsc** in DMSO-*d6*.



Fig. S8 HR-ESI(+)-MS spectrum of H<sub>4</sub>bsc.



Fig. S9 IR spectrum of H₄btsc.



**Fig. S10** <sup>1</sup>H spectrum of **H**<sub>4</sub>**btsc** in DMSO-*d6*.



**Fig. S11** <sup>13</sup>C spectrum of **H**₄**btsc** in DMSO-*d6*.



Fig. S12 HR-ESI(+)-MS spectrum of H<sub>4</sub>btsc.



Fig. S13 IR spectrum of complex 1.



**Fig. S14** <sup>1</sup>H spectrum of complex **1** in DMSO-*d6*.



**Fig. S15** <sup>13</sup>C spectrum of complex **1** in DMSO-*d6*.



Fig. S16 COSY spectrum of complex 1 in DMSO-d6.



Fig. S17 HSQC spectrum of complex 1 in DMSO-d6.



Fig. S18 HR-ESI(+)-MS spectrum of complex 1.



Fig. S19 IR spectrum of complex 2.



Fig. S20 <sup>1</sup>H spectrum of complex 2 in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



Fig. S21 <sup>13</sup>C spectrum of complex 2 in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



Fig. S22 COSY spectrum of complex 2 in DMSO-d6.



Fig. S23 HSQC spectrum of complex 2 in DMSO-d6.



Fig. S24 HR-ESI(+)-MS spectrum of complex 1.



**Fig. S25** Radiochromatograms of [<sup>67</sup>Ga(Hbsc)] (**1**\*) (Rf = 0.33) (left) and [<sup>111</sup>In(Hbtsc)] (**2**\*) (Rf = 0.94) (right), using ITLC-SG plates. Eluents: 0.5M AcOH in MeOH for **1**\* and MeOH/ 6M HCl (95:5) for **2**\*.



**Fig. S26** HPLC chromatograms of **1**\* in PBS buffer (pH 7.2) after t = 0, 1, 2 and 24h of incubation at 37°C.



Fig. S27 HPLC chromatograms of 2\* in PBS buffer (pH 7.2) after t = 0, 1, 2 and 3h of incubation at 37°C.



**Fig. S28** HPLC chromatograms of **1**\* in *apo*-transferrin after t = 0, 1, 2 and 24h of incubation at 37°C.



Fig. S29 HPLC chromatograms of 2\* in *apo*-transferrin after t = 0, 1, 2 and 3h of incubation at 37°C.



**Fig. S30** HPLC chromatograms of urine and blood from CD-1 mice injected with **1**\* complex (t = 0 correspond to **1**\* after radiolabeling).



**Fig. S31** HPLC chromatograms of urine and blood from CD-1 mice injected with **2**\* complex (t = 0 correspond to **2**\* after radiolabeling).

Table S1 Crystallographic data for complexes 1 and 2.

	[Ga(Hbsc)]·CH <sub>3</sub> OH ( <b>1</b> ·CH <sub>3</sub> OH)	[In(Hbtsc)]·CH <sub>3</sub> OH ( <b>2</b> ·CH <sub>3</sub> OH)
Empirical formula	$C_{37}H_{43}GaN_8O_5$	$C_{29}H_{43}InN_8O_3S_2$
Formula weight	749.51	730.65
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Monoclinic
Space group	C2/c	P2 <sub>1</sub> /c
a (Å)	19.7797(12)	9.9982(2)
b (Å)	10.8099(6)	14.1528(4)
c (Å)	18.3616(11)	26.1451(7)
α (°)	90	90
β (°)	111.076(3)	95.532(2)
γ (°)	90	90
V (ų)	3663.4(4)	3682.37(16)
Ζ	4	4
Density (calculated) Mg m <sup>3</sup>	1.359	1.318
Absorption coefficient, $\mu$ (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	0.805	0.794
$\theta$ range (deg.)	2.183-25.080	2.754-25.680
Index ranges	-21 ≤ h ≤ 23, -12 ≤ k≤ 12, -21 ≤ l ≤ 20	-12 ≤ h ≤ 12, -17 ≤ k ≤ 17, -31 ≤ l ≤ 28
Reflections collected	16269	26949
Independent reflections	3260 / Rint = 0.0336	6855/Rint = 0.0541
Data/restraints/parameters	3260/1/250	6855/0/402
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical / multi-scan	Semi-empirical / multi-scan
Max. and min. transmission	0.938/0.849	0.9843/0.7419
$R_1 [l > 2\sigma(l)]$	0.0447	0.0435
$wR_2 [l > 2\sigma(l)]$	0.1157	0.1019
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup> , S	1.048	1.041

[Ga(Hbsc)]·CH₃OH				
Short contacts	D (Å)	D∑VdW(Å)	Sym. oper	
ComplexSolvent				
N1…C19	3.008(6)	-0.242	х,ү,z	
N1…H19C	2.590	-0.160	х,ү,z	
С2… Н19С	2.796	-0.104	Χ,γ,Ζ	
H1…O3	2.197	-0.523	х,у,z	
Н1…НЗА	2.260	-0.140	x,y,z	
H1…C19	2.093	-0.807	Χ,γ,Ζ	
H1…H19A	2.051	-0.349	х,ү,z	
H1…H19C	1.839	-0.561	х,ү,z	
C7…C19	3.175(8)	-0.225	Χ,γ,Ζ	
С7…Н19С	2.272	-0.628	х,ү,z	
H7…C19	2.440	-0.460	х,ү,z	
H7…H19C	1.594	-0.806	Χ,γ,Ζ	
C12…C19	3.245(8)	-0.155	-1/2+x,-1/2+y, z	
C13…C19	3.315(8)	-0.085	-1/2+x,-1/2+y, z	
С13…Н19В	2.752	-0.148	-1/2+x,-1/2+y, z	
N2…O3	2.873(9)	-0.197	1.5-x,-1/2-y,1-z	
N2…C19	2.839(6)	-0.223	1.5-x,-1/2-y,1-z	
N2…H19B	2.189	-0.561	1.5-x,-1/2-y,1-z	
С8…Н19В	2.709	-0.191	1.5-x,-1/2-y,1-z	
H8…H19B	2.049	-0.351	1.5-x,-1/2-y,1-z	
Complex Complex				

Table S2 Short contacts list of compounds [Ga(Hbsc)]·CH<sub>3</sub>OH (1·CH<sub>3</sub>OH) and In(Hbtsc)]·CH<sub>3</sub>OH (2·CH<sub>3</sub>OH)

С1…Н6	2.756	-0.142	1/2-x,1/2+y,1/2-z	
C5…H16A	2.849	-0.051	1/2-x,1/2+y,1/2-z	
C6…H16A	2.731	-0.169	1/2-x,1/2+y,1/2-z	
C8…C14	3.353	-0.047	1-х, -γ,-z	
N2…H15C	2.631	-0.119	1-x,- y,-z	
[In(Hbtsc)]·CH <sub>3</sub> OH				
Short contacts	D (Å)	D∑VdW(Å)	Sym. oper	
ComplexSolvent				
N2…O3S	2.923	-0.157	х,ү,z	
N2…H3S	2.094	-0.656	х,ү,z	
ComplexComplex				
N2…H23C	2.738	-0.012	-x,-y,1-z	
S1… H10A	2.879	-0.121	1+x,y,z	
C5…H21A	2.847	-0.053	-1+x,y,z	
С9 … Н27С	2.873	-0.027	-1+x,y,z	
H9B…H27C	2.299	-0.101	-1+x,y,z	
С13 … Н9А	2.810	-0.090	-x,1/2+y,1/2-z	
C14H9A	2.719	-0.181	-x,1/2+y,1/2-z	
C20 …H11A	2.856	-0.044	-x,1/2+y,1/2-z	
C22 …H28C	2.812	-0.088	1-x,-y,1-z	
Н27В …Н10В	2.320	-0.080	-x,-1/2+y,1/2-z	
C27 ··· C18	3.327(7)	-0.073	1-x,-1/2+y,1/2-z	
H27C … C18	2.801	-0.099	1-x,-1/2+y,1/2-z	
C26 … H4	2.846	-0.054	x,1/2-y,-1/2+z	

**Table S3** Biodistribution results of complexes  $1^*$  and  $2^*$  in female CD-1 mice showing organ and tissue uptake and overall excretion at 1, 4 and 24 h after i.v. administration. Biodistribution is expressed as percentage of injected dose per gram (% IA g<sup>-1</sup>).

	% IA g <sup>-1</sup>					
Organ	1h		4h		24h	
	1*	2*	1*	2*	1*	2*
Blood	18.7 ± 2.1	2.9 ± 0.4	8.8 ± 0.4	1.0 ± 0.1	1.7 ± 0.2	0.6 ± 0.1
Liver	23.3 ± 4.2	35.3 ± 0.7	21 ± 4.2	32.0 ± 3.5	11.3 ± 2.7	29.3 ± 0.7
Intestine	21.8 ± 5.5	29.4 ± 2.4	31.1 ± 4.9	21.1 ± 8.9	5 ± 1	4.0 ± 0.5
Spleen	0.69 ± 0.07	2.0 ± 0.4	0.67 ± 0.08	3.0 ± 1	0.33 ± 0.03	2.3 ± 0.2
Heart	0.7 ± 0.1	0.4 ± 0.2	0.6 ± 0.2	0.20 ± 0.05	0.19 ± 0.03	0.2 ± 0.02
Lung	2.2 ± 0.4	1.5 ± 0.1	0.9 ± 0.1	1.1 ± 0.2	0.4 ± 0.2	0.8 ± 0.3
Kidney	2.1 ± 0.4	3.6 ± 0.6	1.3 ± 0.1	2.7 ± 0.5	0.8 ± 0.2	2.6 ± 0.1
Muscle	9.8 ± 1.7	7.1 ± 0.2	11.3 ± 2.5	5.0 ± 1.1	6.9 ± 1.5	4.5 ± 0.8
Bone	4.6 ± 0.5	3.2 ± 0.4	4.6 ± 0.3	3.3 ± 0.6	3.5 ± 0.9	3.7 ± 1.3
Stomach	$1.4 \pm 0.4$	1.1 ± 0.2	0.9 ± 0.4	0.34 ± 0.06	0.6 ± 0.2	0.32 ± 0.05
Pancreas	0.36 ± 0.03	0.37 ± 0.04	0.29 ± 0.03	0.28 ± 0.05	0.22 ± 0.05	0.36 ± 0.01
Brain	0.19 ± 0.07	0.02 ± 0.00	0.09 ± 0.02	0.02 ± 0.00	0.02 ± 0	0.01 ± 0.00
Excretion (% I.D)	3.0 ± 0.9	2.0 ± 0.5	8.5 ± 6.0	17.9 ± 7.7	57.4 ± 2.7	37.1 ± 4.4