

Supporting Information

Synthesis, crystal structures, anticancer activities and molecular docking studies of novel thiazolidinone Cu(II) and Fe(III) complexes targeting lysosomes: special emphasis on their binding to DNA/BSA

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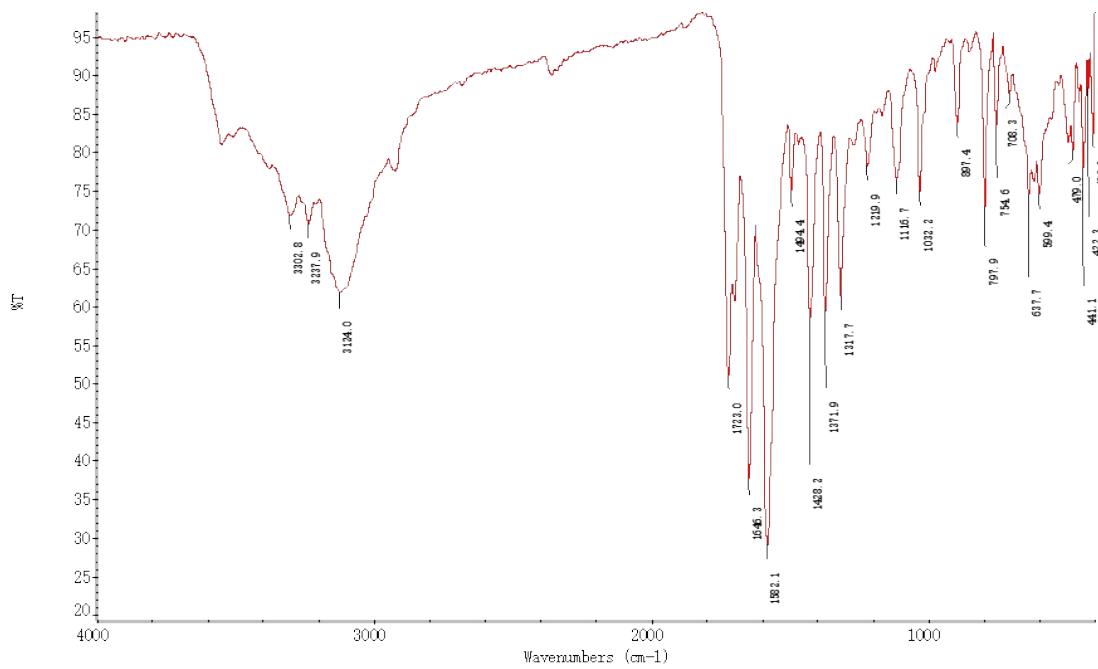


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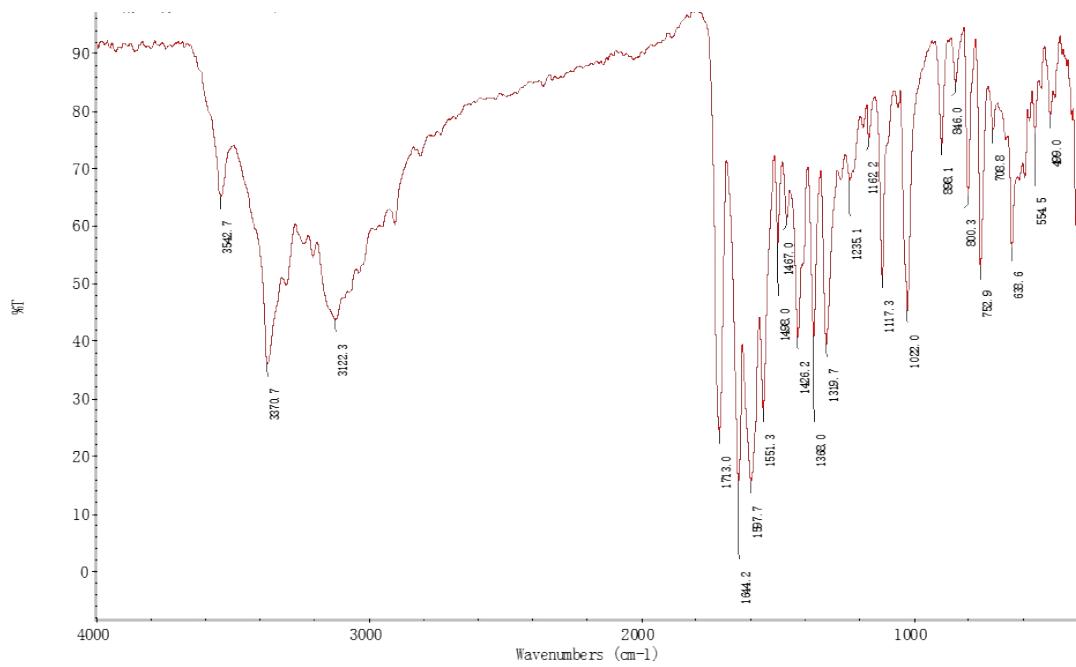


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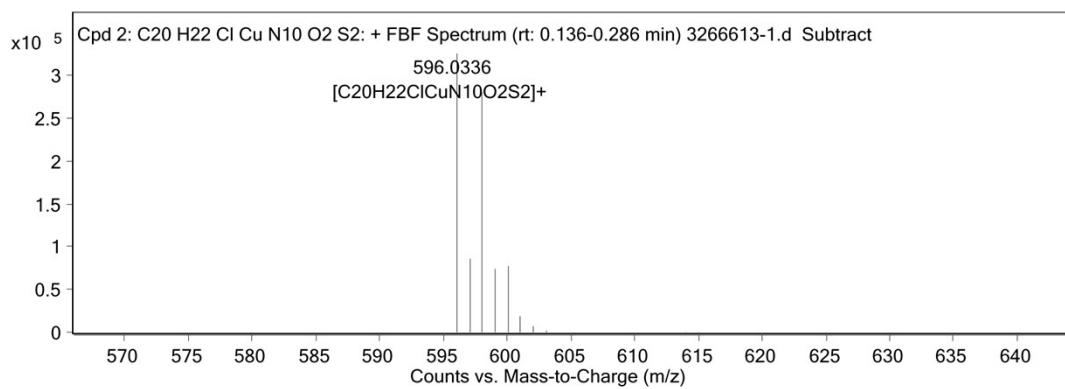


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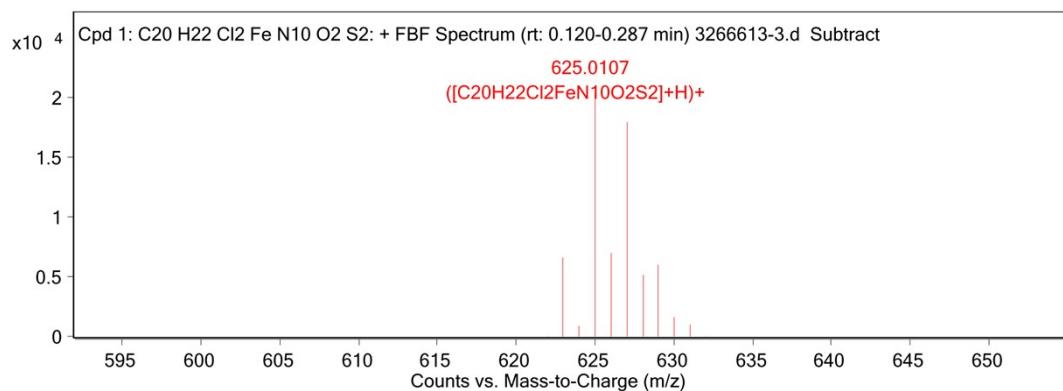


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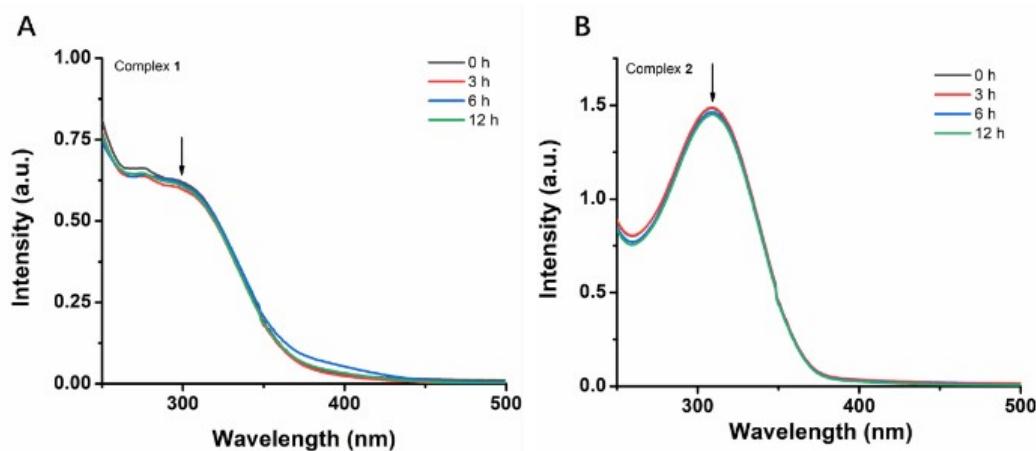


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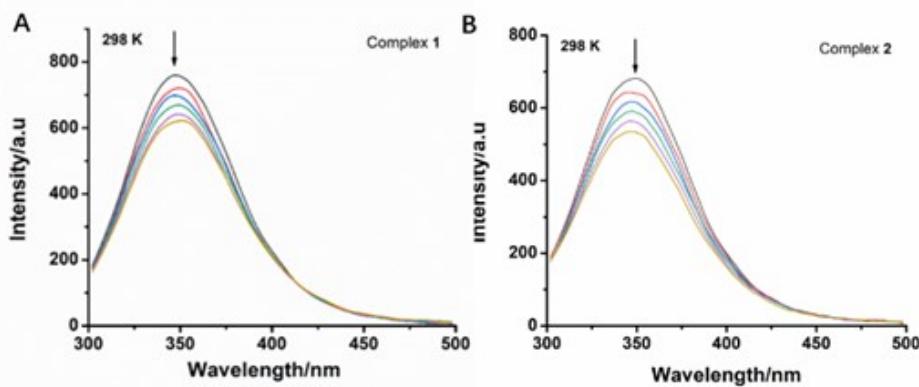


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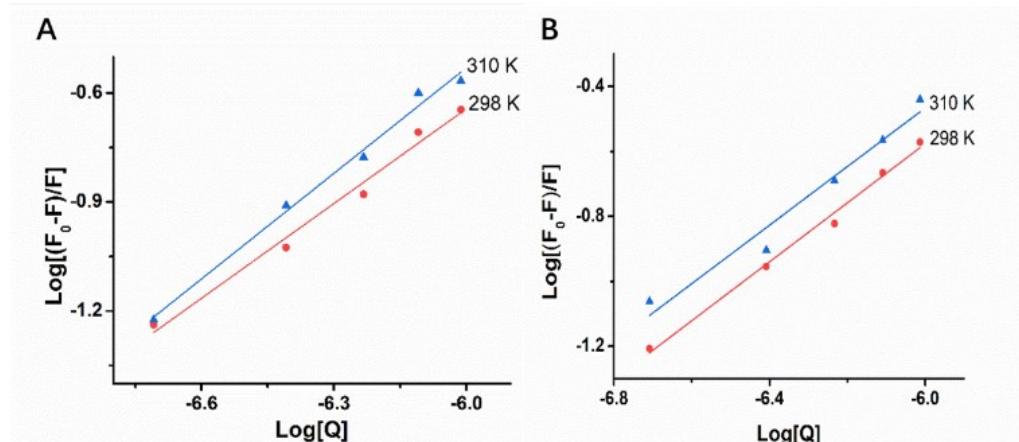


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Table S1 Comparison of DNA binding between analogues.

| Compound | $K_{sv} \times 10^3 (\text{M}^{-1})$ | $K_b \times 10^4 (\text{M}^{-1})$ | $K_{app} \times 10^5 (\text{M}^{-1})$ |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Jia Shao (2021) | | | |
| [CuL ₂ Cl]Cl·H ₂ O (1) | 5.98 | 8 | 2.40 |
| [FeL ₂ Cl ₂]Cl·MeOH·CHCl ₃ ·H ₂ O (2) | 16.2 | 11.5 | 6.49 |
| Surbhi Jain (2020)³⁷ | | | |
| [Cu(L1)(phen)](ClO ₄) ₂ | 3.37 | 0.585 | 6.12 |
| [Cu(L1) ₂](ClO ₄) ₂ | 2.90 | 0.263 | 5.07 |
| [Cu(L1)(bipy)](ClO ₄) ₂ ·H ₂ O | 2.54 | 0.101 | 4.38 |
| [Cu(L1)(imd)(ClO ₄)](ClO ₄) | 2.50 | 0.212 | 4.41 |
| Nuno M. R. Martins (2017)³⁹ | | | |
| [Cu(1 _K N,O ² :2 _K O-HL ¹)(CH ₃ OH)] ₂ | 569 ± 20 | 27.2 ± 1.9 | 15.1 |
| [Cu(1 _K N,O ² :2 _K O-HL ¹)((CH ₃) ₂ NCHO)] ₂ | 596 ± 23 | 33.5 ± 2.1 | 16.0 |
| [Cu(_K N-HL ¹)-(en) ₂] CH ₃ OH·H ₂ O | 286 ± 12 | 17.2 ± 3.2 | 8.9 |
| [Fe(_K N ³ -HL ²) ₂] | 346 ± 13 | 19.8 ± 2.6 | 9.5 |

Jessica Palmucci (2016)⁴⁰

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|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|------|
| [Cu(H ₂ L ¹)(H ₂ O)(im)]·3H ₂ O | 11.73 ± 0.12 | 0.176 ± 0.034 | 5.86 |
| [Cu(H ₂ L ³)(im) ₂]·H ₂ O | 5.42 ± 0.30 | 0.085 ± 0.021 | 2.71 |

Kang Zheng (2015)⁴¹

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|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|------------|-------------|
| [Cu ₂ (chpoxd)(H ₂ O)(bpy)](NO ₃)·C ₂ H ₅ OH·H ₂ O | - | 25.9 ± 8.8 | 8.33 ± 0.33 |
| [Cu ₂ (chmpoxid)-(H ₂ O)(bpy)]Cl·3H ₂ O | - | 13.8 ± 5.2 | 6.25 ± 0.23 |

Xue-Quan Zhou (2015)⁴²

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|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|------|------|
| [CuL ² ¹ Cl]ClO ₄ | - | 86.8 | 2.08 |
| [CuL ² ¹ (acac)]PF ₆ | - | 49.7 | 2.15 |
| [CuL ² ^(R) Cl] ₂ (PF ₆) ₂ | - | 58.7 | 1.24 |
| [CuL ² ^(S) Cl] ₂ (PF ₆) ₂ | - | 173 | 1.26 |
| [CuL ² ^(R) (acac)]PF ₆ | - | 115 | 2.09 |
| [CuL ² ^(S) (acac)]PF ₆ | - | 346 | 2.18 |

Kang Zheng (2014)³⁸

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|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|------|---|
| [Cu ₂ (pdmaeox)Cl(CH ₃ OH)(dabt)] CH ₃ OH | 95.9 | 8.35 | - |
| [Cu ₂ (pdmaeox)(bpy)(H ₂ O)]-(pic)·H ₂ O | 56.9 | 3.39 | - |

Table S2 Comparison of BSA binding between analogues.

| Compound | <i>K_{sv} × 10⁵ (M⁻¹)</i> | <i>K_q × 10¹³ (M⁻¹S⁻¹)</i> | <i>K_b × 10⁵ (M⁻¹)</i> | n |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Jia Shao (2021) | | | | |
| [CuL ₂ Cl]Cl·H ₂ O (1) | 2.33 | 3.76 | 0.4 | 0.87 |
| [FeL ₂ Cl ₂]Cl·MeOH·CHCl ₃ ·H ₂ O (2) | 2.71 | 4.37 | 0.7 | 0.91 |
| Surbhi Jain (2020)³⁷ | | | | |
| [Cu(L)(phen)][ClO ₄] ₂ | 1.73 | 1.73 | 1.18 | 1.18 ± 0.07 |
| [Cu(L) ₂][ClO ₄] ₂ | 3.04 | 3.04 | 1.81 | 1.08 ± 0.07 |
| [Cu(L)(bipy)][ClO ₄] ₂ ·H ₂ O | 2.30 | 2.30 | 1.40 | 1.135 ± 0.007 |
| [Cu(L)(imd)[ClO ₄]][ClO ₄] | 1.40 | 1.40 | 1.08 | 1.10 ± 0.008 |
| Nuno M. R. Martins (2017)³⁹ | | | | |
| [Cu(1 _K N,O ² :2 _K O-HL ¹)(CH ₃ OH)] ₂ | 11.6 ± 0.6 | 11.6 | 9.7±1 | ~1 |
| [Cu(1 _K N,O ² :2 _K O-HL ¹)((CH ₃) ₂ NCHO)] ₂ | 15.4 ± 0.7 | 15.4 | 11.9±0.9 | ~1 |
| [Cu(_K N-HL ¹)-(en)] CH ₃ OH·H ₂ O | 2.2 ± 0.1 | 2.2 | 5.0 ± 0.1 | ~1 |
| [Fe(_K N ³ -HL ²) ₂] | 6.0 ± 0.3 | 6.6 | 10.6 ± 0.8 | ~1 |
| Jessica Palmucci (2016)⁴⁰ | | | | |
| [Cu(H ₂ L ¹)(H ₂ O)(im)]·3H ₂ O | 1.048 ± 0.022 | 1.04 ± 0.02 | - | - |
| [Cu(H ₂ L ³)(im) ₂]·H ₂ O | 2.964 ± 0.085 | 2.96 ± 0.08 | - | - |
| Kang Zheng (2015)⁴¹ | | | | |
| [Cu ₂ (chpoxd)(H ₂ O)(bpy)](NO ₃)·C ₂ H ₅ OH·H ₂ O | - | - | - | - |
| [Cu ₂ (chmpoxid)-(H ₂ O)(bpy)]Cl·3H ₂ O | - | - | - | - |
| Xue-Quan Zhou (2015)⁴² | | | | |
| [CuLi ¹ Cl]ClO ₄ | 0.119 | - | 0.208 | 1.0 |
| [CuLi ¹ (acac)]PF ₆ | 0.170 | - | 0.153 | 0.99 |
| [CuLi ^{2(R)} Cl] ₂ (PF ₆) ₂ | 0.125 | - | 0.203 | 1.10 |
| [CuLi ^{2(S)} Cl] ₂ (PF ₆) ₂ | 0.133 | - | 1.28 | 1.25 |

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|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|------|-------|--------|
| [CuLi ^{2(R)} (acac)]PF ₆ | 0.142 | - | 0.159 | 1.01 |
| [CuLi ^{2(S)} (acac)]PF ₆ | 0.166 | - | 0.106 | 0.96 |
| Kang Zheng (2014)³⁸ | | | | |
| [Cu ₂ (pdmaeox)Cl(CH ₃ OH)(dabt)] CH ₃ OH | 0.87 | 0.87 | 0.383 | 0.9659 |
| [Cu ₂ (pdmaeox)(bpy)(H ₂ O)]-(pic)·H ₂ O | 1.18 | 1.18 | 0.523 | 0.9836 |

Table S3 IC₅₀ values (μM) obtained with different cell lines for 48 h.

| Complex | IC ₅₀ (μM) | | | |
|-----------|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | HeLa | MCF-7 | A549 | BEAS-2B |
| 1 | 24.5 ± 1.4 | 25.0 ± 2.2 | 46.2 ± 2.3 | 22.7 ± 0.5 |
| 2 | > 100 | 63.6 ± 4.2 | > 100 | > 100 |
| Cisplatin | 4.3 ± 0.05 | 4.7 ± 0.5 | 14.8 ± 1.3 | 3.2 ± 0.01 |