

## Copper(II) complexes of *Neobelliera Bullata* Trypsin Modulating Oostatic Factor and its analogues.

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The stoichiometry, stability constants and solution structure of the complexes formed in the reaction of copper(II) with hexapeptide NPTNLH, i.e. the *Neobelliera Bullata* Trypsin Modulating Oostatic Factor (*Neb*-TMOF), and its analogues DPTNLH, Ac-NPTNLH and Ac-DPTNLH have been determined by potentiometric, UV-visible, CD and EPR spectroscopic methods. Upon raising pH for Ac-NPTNLH and Ac-DPTNLH peptides, copper(II) coordination starts from the imidazole nitrogen of the His<sup>6</sup>; afterwards three deprotonated amide nitrogens are progressively involved in metal ions coordination. In a wide pH range of 4.5–8.5 for the NPTNLH and DPTNLH ligands the CuL complex dominates with the imidazole nitrogen of His<sup>6</sup> coordinated to form a macrochelate. The N-terminal amino group of the NPTNLH and DPTNLH peptides takes part in the coordination of the metal ion in the CuL, CuH<sub>-1</sub>L and CuH<sub>-2</sub>L complexes. However, at pH above 9 the CuH<sub>-3</sub>L complex with the {N<sub>im</sub>, 3N<sup>-</sup>} coordination mode is formed. For the CuH<sub>-2</sub>L complex the spectroscopic data clearly indicate the 4N {NH<sub>2</sub>, CO or COO<sup>-</sup>, 2N<sup>-</sup>, N<sub>im</sub>} bonding mode with the axial coordination of the N-terminal amine group to the metal ion.

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