

Synthesis, Characterization and Antimicrobial Activity of Mn-Fe Tartarate Composites

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ABSTRACT

The synthesis of Mn-Fe mixed metal tartrate composites of six different proportions is done by co-precipitation method stoichiometrically. The composites of Mn-Fe tartarates formed are characterized by analytical techniques like AAS, IR study, XRD patterns, thermal and elemental analysis. Characterization data of all six complexes reveals that the composites synthesized have polycrystalline nature and bidentate ligand. These composites have antimicrobial activity against micro-organisms like *E.coli*, *Bacillus subtilis*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *C. albicans*, *A. niger*, *P. chrysogenum* ect.

Keywords: Mn-Fe Tartarates Composites, Antimicrobial Activity

I. INTRODUCTION

Dicarboxylates of metals are often exists in natural systems in various conversions and in the process food stuff manufactured^(1, 2, 3). Dicarboxylates of transition and non-transition metals finds important applications in petroleum, paints, cement, PVC and vegetable fat industries⁽⁴⁾. The synthesis and characterization of some polynuclear complexes (i.e. Oxalates) containing Fe, Mn and Zn are useful as precursors by forced hydrolysis⁽⁵⁻⁹⁾.

This work includes synthesis of Mn-Fe mixed metal tartarates composites using co-precipitation method using various proportions (Sample MFT-1 to MFT-6). The composites of Mn-Fe tartarates are further characterized using analytical methods. The antimicrobial activity of these composites is tested against many micro-organisms such as *E.coli*, *Bacillus subtilis*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *C. albicans*, *A. niger* and *P. chrysogenum*.

II. METHODS AND MATERIAL

A) Synthesis of Mn-Fe tartarates:

The Mn-Fe tartarate composites with six different composites such as $[M_xM_{(1-x)}(C_4H_4O_6)] \cdot H_2O$, Where M

and M¹ are Mn and X =0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8 and 1.0, are prepared by co-precipitation method by taking analytical grade $MnSO_4 \cdot 2H_2O$ and $FeSO_4 \cdot 7H_2O$ in distilled water.

The mixture of metal sulphate solution is prepared with respect to molar ratio of Mn and Fe and placed in a beaker. pH less than 6 is adjusted, so that metal hydroxide does not precipitate. The solution is stirred vigorously and sodium tartarate (10%) solution is added slowly with stirring till a permanent precipitate is obtained. Acetone is added to ensure a high yield of product. The solution is stirred for 30 minutes and the filtered. The product is washed with cold distilled water and then with acetone. The product is dried at ambient temperature.

Such type of six samples of Mn-Fe tartarate composites (MFT-1 to MFT-6) are synthesized⁽¹⁰⁻¹³⁾.

B) Characterization of synthesized Mn-Fe tartarates composites:

The CHN analysis of six synthesized composites (MFT-1 to MFT-6) is carried out using C.E. instrument using K factor calibration method. The metal contents present were estimated by atomic absorption spectroscopy. The Mn-Fe tartarate composites of six different proportions

are further characterized using IR study and XRD pattern study of the composites. Thermal decomposition of all Mn-Fe tartarate composites is studied by thermo gravimetric analysis with temperature range 30⁰ to 750⁰C.

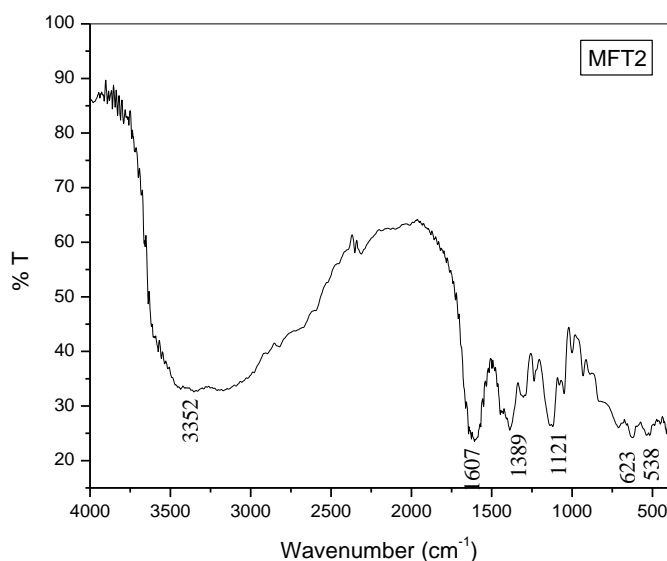
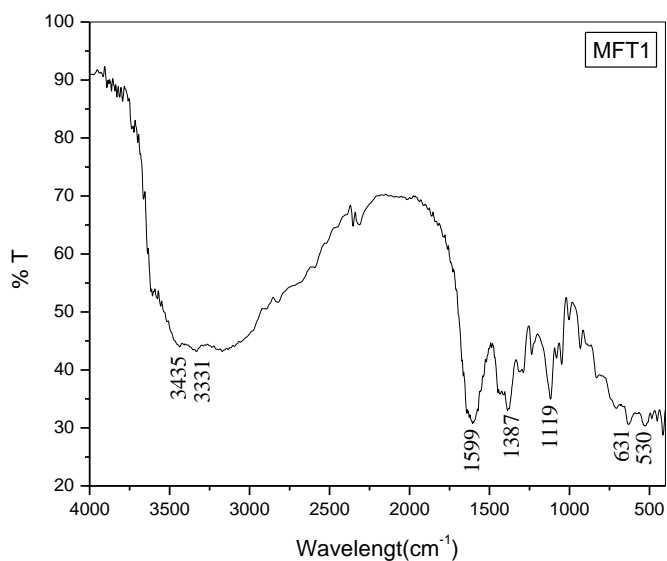
C) The study of antimicrobial activity of synthesized Mn-Fe tartarate composites:

Initially 1% solution of six composites is prepared in distilled water. Agar-plates were used and labeled for bacterial culture. Antimicrobial activity of synthesized

composites is studied using organisms such as. i) *E.coli*, ii) *Bacillus subtilis*, iii) *Staphylococcus aureus*, iv) *C. albicans*, v) *A. niger*, vi) *P. chrysogenum* 0.5 ml of bacterial cultures were spread, inoculated and incubated at 37⁰C for 30 minutes. A well was bored at the center of medium in each plate aseptically. 0.1 ml of each tartarate complex solution is poured aseptically in each respective well and incubated for diffusion at 40⁰C for 1 hr. All those plates were incubated at 37⁰C for 48 hrs and the results are studied.

Table I : Elemental Analysis

Complex	Formula weight (gm)	C wt. %		H wt. %		Mn wt. %		Fe wt. %	
		Obs	Cal	Obs	Cal	Obs	Cal	Obs	Cal
MFT-1 Mn _{0.2} Fe _{0.8} (C ₄ H ₄ O ₆) ₃ . 2H ₂ O	535.66	24.92	26.88	2.79	2.99	1.85	2.051	8.12	8.34
MFT-2 Mn _{0.4} Fe _{0.6} C ₄ H ₄ O ₆) ₃ . 2H ₂ O	557.456	24.68	25.83	2.68	2.87	3.75	3.853	9.81	9.95
MFT-3 Mn _{0.6} Fe _{0.4} (C ₄ H ₄ O ₆) ₃ . 2H ₂ O	535.3	26.77	26.90	2.94	2.99	5.98	6.158	4.014	4.173
MFT-4 Mn _{0.8} Fe _{0.2} (C ₄ H ₄ O ₆) ₃ .2 H ₂ O	535.048	26.84	26.91	2.74	2.99	8.068	8.215	1.99	2.087
MFT-5 Mn(C ₄ H ₄ O ₆) ₃ . 2H ₂ O	5534.94	26.84	26.92	2.81	2.7082	10.066	10.27	0.00	0.00
MFT-6 Fe(C ₄ H ₄ O ₆) ₃ . 2H ₂ O	535.84	26.76	26.87	2.94	2.986	0.00	0.00	10.31	10.42



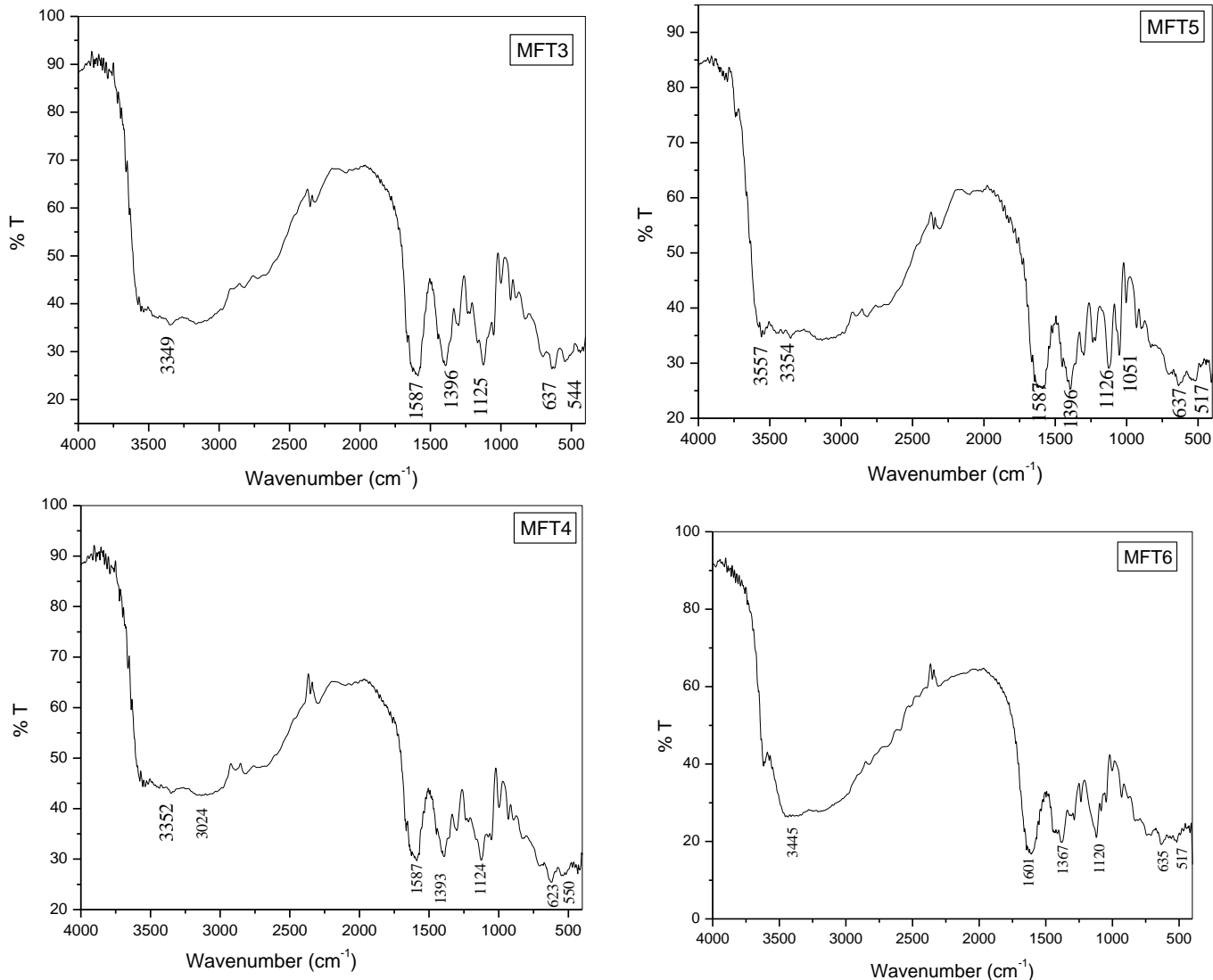


Figure 1: IR Spectra of tartarate complexes

Table II : IR Spectral Data of Mn-Fe tartarate composites

MFT-1 $Mn_{0.2}Fe_{0.8}$ $(C_4H_4O_6)_3 \cdot 2H_2O$	MFT-2 $Mn_{0.4}Fe_{0.6}$ $(C_4H_4O_6)_3 \cdot 2H_2O$	MFT-3 $Mn_{0.6}Fe_{0.4}$ $(C_4H_4O_6)_3 \cdot 2H_2O$	MFT-4 $Mn_{0.8}Fe_{0.2}$ $(C_4H_4O_6)_3 \cdot 2H_2O$	MFT-5 $Mn(C_4H_4O_6)_3 \cdot 2H_2O$	MFT-6 $Fe(C_4H_4O_6)_3 \cdot 2H_2O$
3435	3352	3349	3352	3557	3445
3331	-	-	3024	3354	1601
1599	1607	1587	1587	1587	1367
1387	1389	1396	1393	1396	1120
1119	1121	1125	1124	1126	635
631	623	637	623	1051	517
530	538	544	550	637	
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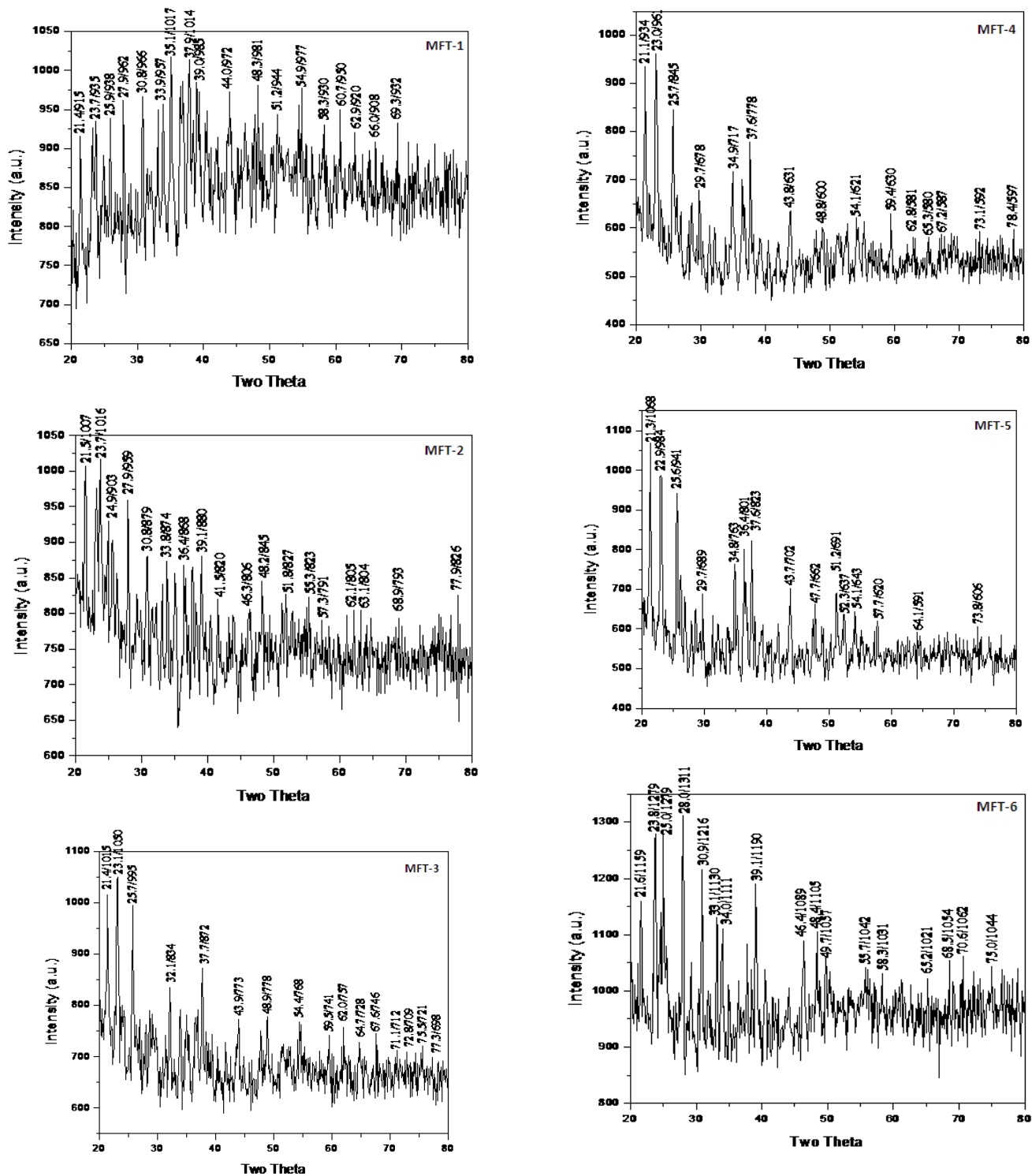
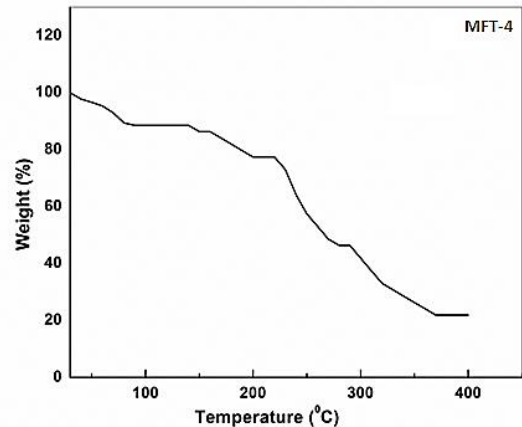
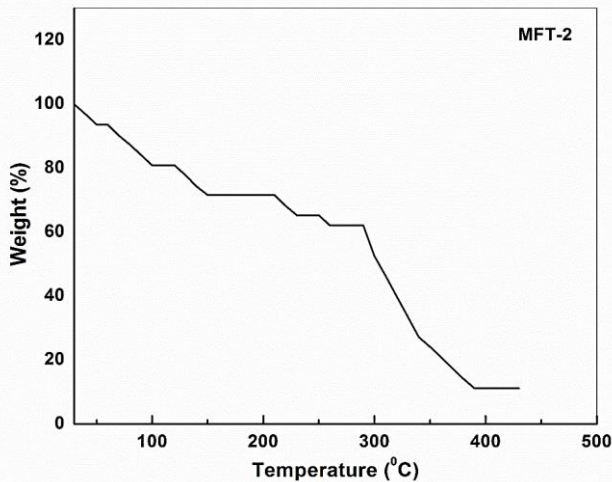
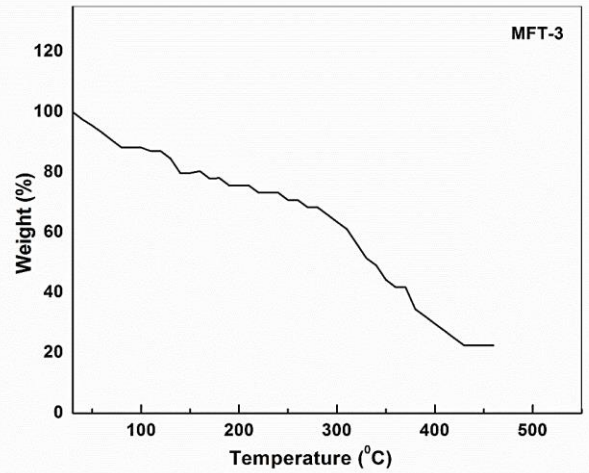
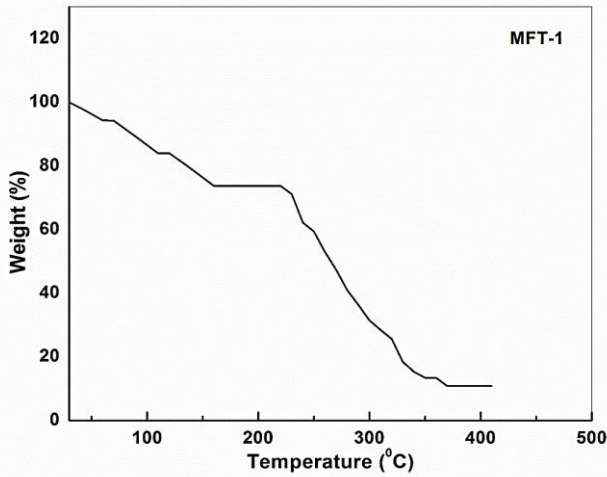


Figure 2 : XRD patterns of Mn-Fe tartarate composites

Table III : Observed d-Spacing Values (Å⁰) of Mn-Fe tartarate composites

MFT-1	MFT-2	MFT-3	MFT-4	MFT-5	MFT-6
Mn _{0.2} Fe _{0.8} (C ₄ H ₄ O ₆) ₃ .2H ₂ O	Mn _{0.4} Fe _{0.6} C ₄ H ₄ O ₆) ₃ .2H ₂ O	Mn _{0.6} Fe _{0.4} (C ₄ H ₄ O ₆) ₃ .2H ₂ O	Mn _{0.8} Fe _{0.2} C ₄ H ₄ O ₆) ₃ .2H ₂ O	Mn (C ₄ H ₄ O ₆) ₃ 2H ₂ O	Fe(C ₄ H ₄ O ₆) ₃ 2H ₂ O
4.1325	4.1281	4.1481	4.1887	4.1660	4.1083
3.7375	3.7502	3.8457	3.8496	3.8650	3.7339

3.4251	3.5613	3.4512	3.4527	3.4651	3.5580
3.1857	3.1857	2.7799	2.9996	2.9996	3.1831
2.8926	2.8937	2.3797	2.5642	2.5711	2.8904
2.6299	2.6434	2.0574	2.3863	2.4610	2.7038
2.5540	2.4610	1.8588	2.0808	2.3856	2.6344
2.3665	2.2980	1.6833	1.8624	2.0668	2.3015
2.3028	2.1705	1.5508	1.6922	1.9029	1.9551
2.0525	1.9561	1.4940	1.5533	1.7810	1.8788
1.8797	1.8834	1.4382	1.4774	1.7459	1.8327
1.7798	1.7611	1.3834	1.4267	1.6922	1.6488
1.6684	1.6576	1.3238	1.3912	1.5948	1.5811
1.5791	1.6048	1.2970	1.2927	1.4507	1.4297
1.5226	1.4917	1.2572	1.2181	1.2821	1.3684
1.4745	1.4706	1.2327			1.3329
1.4126	1.3605				1.2653



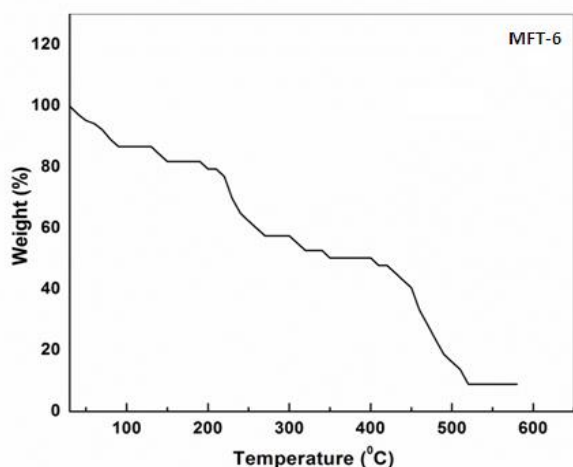
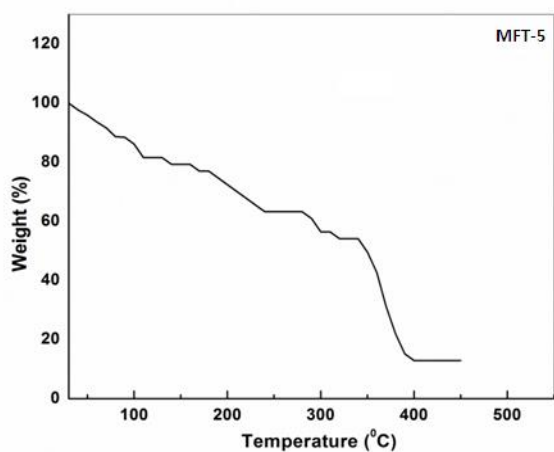


Figure 3 : TGA curves of Mn-Fe tartarate composites

Table IV : TGA Results of Mn-Fe tartarate complexes

Complex	Observed % Mass loss	Temp Range °C
MFT-1 $Mn_{0.2}Fe_{0.8}(C_4H_4O_6)_3 \cdot 2H_2O$	15.82	109
	89.30	380
MFT-2 $Mn_{0.4}Fe_{0.6}C_4H_4O_6)_3 \cdot 2H_2O$	18.67	105
	88.69	400
MFT-3 $Mn_{0.6}Fe_{0.4}C_4H_4O_6)_3 \cdot 2H_2O$	11.59	90
	77.33	435
MFT-4 $Mn_{0.8}Fe_{0.2}C_4H_4O_6)_3 \cdot 2H_2O$	11.45	90
	78.13	370
MFT-5 $MnC_4H_4O_6)_3 \cdot 2H_2O$	13.26	115
	90.59	525
MFT-6 $FeC_4H_4O_6)_3 \cdot 2H_2O$	12.96	112
	90.59	530

Table VI : Antibacterial Activity (zone of inhibition in mm) of Mn-Fe tartarate Composites Zones of Inhibition [in mm]

No.	Chemical	Escherichia coli	Bacillus subtilis	Staphylococcus aureus	C. albicans	A. niger	P. chrysogenum
1	MFT-1 $Mn_{0.2}Fe_{0.8}(C_4H_4O_6)_3 \cdot 2H_2O$	04	02	06	11	07	05
2	MFT-2 $Mn_{0.4}Fe_{0.6}C_4H_4O_6)_3 \cdot 2H_2O$	08	04	14	03	02	05
3	MFT-3 $Mn_{0.6}Fe_{0.4}C_4H_4O_6)_3 \cdot 2H_2O$	13	07	09	07	06	02
4	MFT-4 $Mn_{0.8}Fe_{0.2}C_4H_4O_6)_3 \cdot 2H_2O$	12	11	02	02	05	01
5	MFT-5 $MnC_4H_4O_6)_3 \cdot 2H_2O$	01	03	04	04	07	11
6	MFT-6 $Fe(C_4H_4O_6)_3 \cdot 2H_2O$	11	08	09	11	10	01
7	Control [Sterile distilled water]	00	00	00	00	00	00

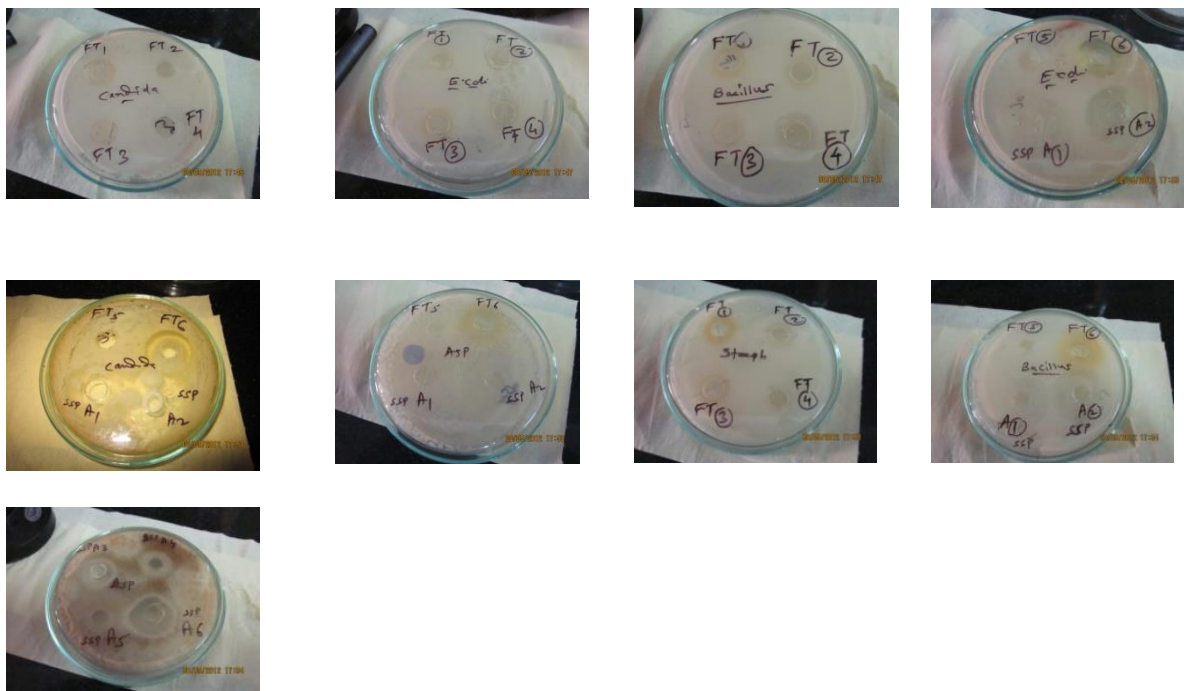


Figure 4 : Antibacterial Activity Plates of synthesized metal composites

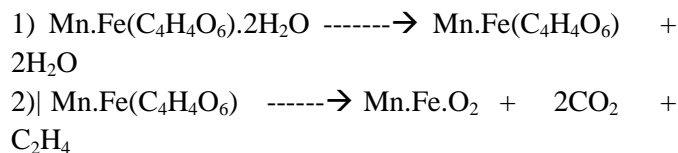
III. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The Mn-Fe tartarate composites of six different proportions (MFT-1 to MFT-6) are synthesized by coprecipitation method and their elemental analysis reveals that the observed weight % of element is in good agreement with calculated values (Table 1).

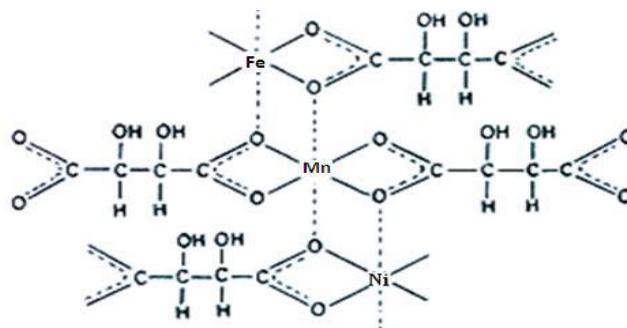
The study of IR spectra of these six samples (MFT-1 to MFT-6) showed characteristic frequencies corresponding to many groups like carbon-oxygen, metal-oxygen, carbon-hydrogen, -OH etc. on the basis of symmetric and antisymmetric stretching frequencies observed confirms the tetradentate linkage of tartarate group attached to Mn and Fe metal atoms (Table 2). The presence of bands such as $\nu_{asy}(\text{OCO})$ suggests the coordination of both COO^- groups present in the tartaric acid molecule to metal ion. The infrared suggests that the probable structure of Mn-Fe tartarate complexes is octahedral.

The XRD patterns of Mn-Fe tartarate composites showed certain sharp lines with many broad lines (fig. 2). Therefore the composites synthesized are polycrystalline. The d-spacing values are given in table 3.

The thermo gravimetric analysis indicates the loss of water molecules at about 100 to 110 °C. The % loss for water molecule is matched with theoretical loss. There is a loss of CO , CO_2 and C_2H_4 molecules within 180°C to 350°C. Thermal study suggests probable reactions.



The characterization of all six Mn-Fe tartarate composites using techniques like CHNS analysis, IR study, XRD study, AAS analysis and TGA suggest the following type of structure.



These synthesized Mn-Fe tartarate composites show antimicrobial activity against micro-organisms such as *E.coli*, *Bacillus subtilis*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *C. albicans*, *A. niger* and *P. chrysogenum*. Sample MFT-2 shows highest activity against *Staphylococcus aureus*,

and sample MFT-3 is more active against *E.coli*.(fig. 3). All these complexes (A1 to A6) possess potential to inhibit the growth of gram positive as well as gram negative bacteria selected indicating their possible to use as bacterial agent.

IV. CONCLUSION

Six newly mixed metal composites of Mn-Fe tartarates (MFT-1 to MFT-6) were synthesized and characterized by different techniques. By thermogravimetric analysis percentage of water of crystallization in the complexes were confirmed. Elemental compositions of complexes are in good agreement to the calculated one. From XRD patterns polycrystalline nature of the complexes were revealed. Antimicrobial activity of the complexes was carried c These complexes have shown significant antimicrobial activity against studied micro-organisms. Sample MFT-2 showed highest activity against bacteria *Staphylococcus aureus*. Sample MFT-4 is moderately active against bacteria *P. chrysogenum*.

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