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*Titanium(IV) complexes of the general formula  $TiL(OPr^i)_2$  [where  $LH_2 = R\dot{C}NH(C_6H_4)SC:C(OH)N(C_6H_5)N:CCH_3$  where  $R = -C_6H_5, -C_6H_4Cl(p)$ ] were prepared by the interaction of titanium isopropoxide with sterically hindered Schiff bases derived from heterocyclic  $\beta$ -diketones in 1:1 molar ratio in dry benzene. The complexes  $TiL(OPr^i)_2$  were used as versatile precursors for the synthesis of other titanium(IV) complexes. Titanium(IV) complexes of the type  $TiLL(OPr^i)$  (where  $LH = R^1R^2C=NOH$ ,  $R^1 = R^2 = -CH_3$ ;  $R^1 = -CH_3, R^2 = -C_6H_5$ ;  $R^1 = -COC_6H_5$ ,  $R^2 = -C_6H_5$ ) were synthesized by the reaction of  $TiL(OPr^i)_2$  with ketooximes (LH) in equimolar ratio in dry benzene. Another type of titanium(IV) complexes having the general formula  $TiLGH(OPr^i)$  (where  $GH_2 = HO-G-OH$ ,  $G = -CH_2-CH_2-$ ) have been prepared by the reaction of  $TiL(OPr^i)_2$  with glycol in 1:1 molar ratio in dry benzene. Plausible structures of these new titanium(IV) complexes have been proposed on the basis of analytical data, molecular weight measurements, and spectral studies.*

**Keywords** Glycol; ketooximes; Schiff bases; titanium isopropoxide

## INTRODUCTION

In the field of chemistry, interest in titanium(IV) complexes of various organic ligands possessing nitrogen, oxygen, and/or sulfur atoms has experienced enormous growth.<sup>1–10</sup> The derivatives of titanium alkoxide continue to attract much attention because of their technological applications.<sup>11–15</sup> Lead-zirconium-titanate (PZT) is put to use in computer memories, whereas lead-titanate perovskite ( $PbTiO_3$ ) is used in microelectronics. The reactivity and rate of hydrolysis of titanium alkoxide may be controlled by various modifiers. The rate of hydrolysis of titanium alkoxides plays an important role in material

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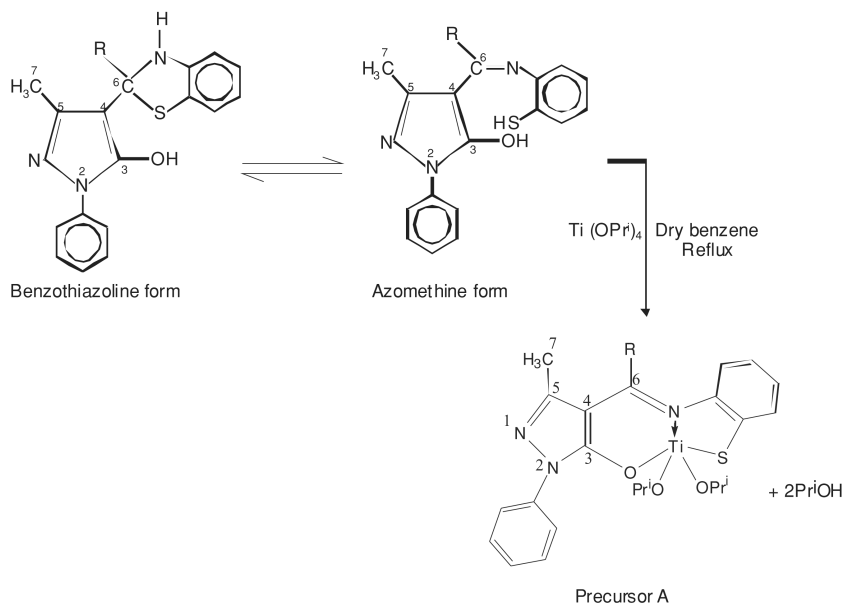
synthesis by sol-gel process.<sup>15</sup> Various organic ligands have been used as modifiers. Of the various potential modifiers, Schiff bases, oximes, and glycol, etc. are important. Schiff bases exhibit diversity in their structures<sup>16</sup> and possess biological applications. Oximes are important modifiers, as they possess hydrolytic stability, interesting structures, and are put to use as protecting groups.<sup>17,18</sup> It was considered relevant to modify the reactivity of titanium isopropoxide by reacting it with sterically hindered Schiff bases. The interaction of  $\text{Ti}(\text{OPr}^i)_4$  with sterically hindered Schiff bases resulted in the formation of bis isopropoxy titanium (IV) complexes of the type  $\text{TiL}(\text{OPr}^i)_2$ , which were further treated with ketooximes and glycol. In the present article, we report the incorporation of titanium(IV) into sterically hindered Schiff bases derived from heterocyclic  $\beta$ -diketones involving ketooximes and glycol as coligands, which resulted in the formation of metallacyclic systems containing titanium surrounded by three heteroatoms—oxygen, nitrogen, and sulfur.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The complexes of titanium(IV) derived from sterically hindered Schiff bases of heterocyclic  $\beta$ -diketones having the general formula  $\text{TiL}(\text{OPr}^i)_2$  [where  $\text{LH}_2 = \text{R}\text{CNH}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4)\text{SC}:\text{C}(\text{OH})\text{N}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)\text{N}:\text{CCH}_3$ ,  $\text{R} = -\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  and  $-\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Cl}(\text{p})$ ] have been prepared by the interaction of  $\text{Ti}(\text{OPr}^i)_4$  with sterically hindered Schiff bases of heterocyclic  $\beta$ -diketones in 1:1 molar ratio in dry benzene to afford precursor A. The preparations of these complexes are described in Scheme 1.

Attempts to prepare  $\text{Ti}(\text{L})_2$  by further reactions of precursor A' and A'' with sterically hindered Schiff bases of heterocyclic  $\beta$ -diketones in 1:1 molar ratio were not successful. The most plausible explanation for this may be the steric factor.<sup>19</sup> It is quite interesting to study the steric profile of precursor A for further reactions. Ketooximes are comparatively less bulky organic ligands as compared to sterically hindered Schiff bases. The reactions of Precursor A' and A'' with ketooximes were carried out in 1:1 molar ratio in dry benzene and are given in Scheme 2.

These reactions were completed in  $\sim 10$  hours of refluxing. However, reactions of precursor A with acetooxime in 1:2 molar ratio were not successful and resulted in the formation of only 1:1 product even after prolonged refluxing. This may be attributed to the steric crowding around the reaction site. The interaction of precursor A' and A'' with glycol in 1:1 molar ratio were carried out in dry benzene, which afforded complexes of the type  $\text{TiLGH}(\text{OPr}^i)$ , and the preparation of these complexes are outlined in Scheme 3.



where

R =  $-\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$       Precursor A'      Complex  $[\text{TiL}_1(\text{OPr}^i)_2]$

R =  $-\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Cl(p)}$       Precursor A''      Complex  $[\text{TiL}_2(\text{OPr}^i)_2]$

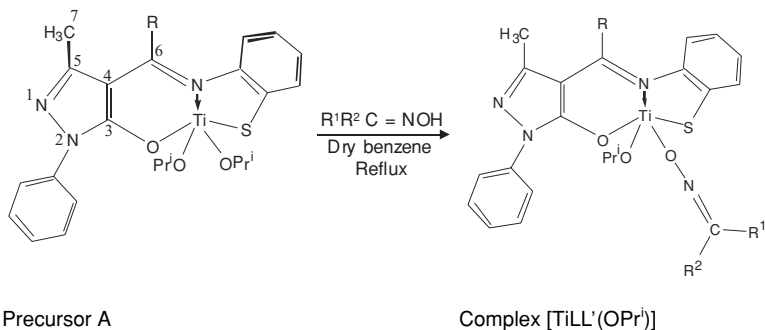
## SCHEME 1

The progress of the reactions was monitored by estimating the liberated isopropanol in the azeotrope by oxidimetric method. The excess solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and yellowish brown colored solid products were obtained. These products were purified by recrystallization from benzene and pet.-ether mixture.

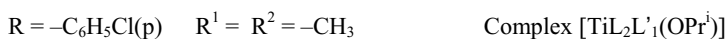
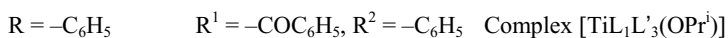
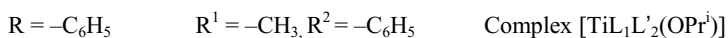
## SPECTROSCOPIC STUDIES

### IR Spectra

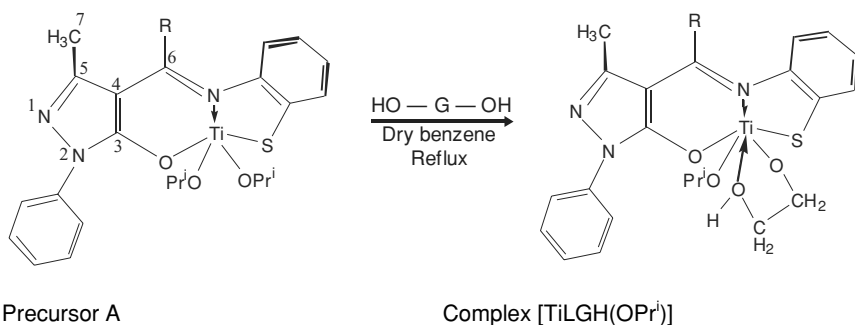
The IR spectra of the ligands and titanium(IV) complexes were recorded as KBr pellets in the range of  $4000\text{--}400\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . A comparison of the IR spectra of titanium(IV) complexes of the types  $\text{TiL}(\text{OPr}^i)_2$ ,  $\text{TiLL}(\text{OPr}^i)$ , and  $\text{TiLGH}(\text{OPr}^i)$  with their parent ligands provided important and



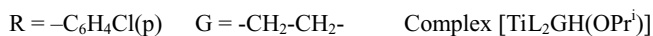
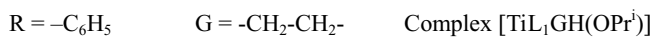
where



## SCHEME 2



where



## SCHEME 3

relevant information regarding mode of bonding in these complexes. In the IR spectra of the complexes  $\text{TiL}(\text{OPr}^i)_2$ ,  $\text{TiLL}(\text{OPr}^i)$ , and  $\text{TiLGH}(\text{OPr}^i)$ , two medium-intensity bands in the region  $620\text{--}630\text{ cm}^{-1}$  and  $515\text{--}520\text{ cm}^{-1}$  indicate the formation of Ti–O bond.<sup>20</sup> The band observed in the region  $1085\text{--}1090\text{ cm}^{-1}$  may be attributed to Ti–O (isopropoxy) stretching.<sup>9</sup> A medium intensity band appearing in the region  $470\text{--}480\text{ cm}^{-1}$  may be assigned to  $\nu\text{ Ti}\leftarrow\text{N}$ .<sup>10</sup> In the IR spectra of Schiff bases, broad bands appearing in the region  $3400\text{ cm}^{-1}$  and  $3300\text{ cm}^{-1}$  may be due to  $\nu\text{ OH}$  and  $\nu\text{ NH}$ , respectively.<sup>21–22</sup> These bands were absent in the corresponding titanium(IV) complexes. In titanium(IV) complexes, the band appearing in the region  $1610\text{--}1625\text{ cm}^{-1}$  may be assigned to  $>\text{C}=\text{N}-$ , which suggests that the Schiff bases existing in benzothiazoline form in the free state rearrange to azomethine form during complex formation. In the IR spectra of free ketooximes, a strong band present at  $920\text{--}930\text{ cm}^{-1}$  is due to  $\text{N}-\text{O}$ <sup>23</sup> and shows small shift towards lower wave numbers ( $910\text{--}915\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) in the corresponding titanium(IV) complexes. The weak band due to  $>\text{C}=\text{N}-$  of oximes appears in the region  $1580\text{--}1600\text{ cm}^{-1}$  and shifts towards lower wave numbers ( $1560\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) in titanium(IV) complexes.<sup>20</sup>

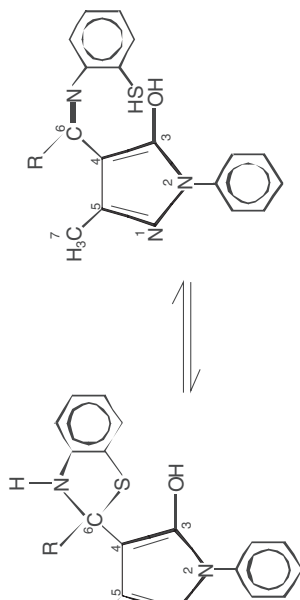
## <sup>1</sup>H NMR Spectra

The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of the complexes of the types  $\text{TiL}(\text{OPr}^i)_2$ ,  $\text{TiLL}(\text{OPr}^i)$ , and  $\text{TiLGH}(\text{OPr}^i)$  and their parent ligands were recorded in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  using TMS as an internal reference and are summarized in Table I. In the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of the Schiff bases, the broad singlets appearing in the region  $\delta\ 5.20\text{--}6.42\text{ ppm}$  may be assigned to  $>\text{NH}/\text{SH}$  protons, which were absent in the corresponding titanium(IV) complexes indicating deprotonation of  $>\text{NH}/\text{SH}$  protons. The ring  $-\text{C}_6\text{H}_5/\text{terminal } -\text{C}_6\text{H}_5/-\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Cl(p)}$  and thiophenol ring protons are present in the region  $\delta\ 6.22\text{--}8.08\text{ ppm}$  as a complex pattern in the ligands and complexes. The hydroxyl group of the ketooximes observed in the region  $\delta\ 9.53\text{--}11.94\text{ ppm}$  as broad singlet was found to be absent in the complexes of the type  $\text{TiLL}(\text{OPr}^i)_2$ , indicating the formation of another Ti–O bond through ketooximes. The disappearance of one of the hydroxyl protons of glycol in the complex  $\text{TiLGH}(\text{OPr}^i)$  further supports the formation of Ti–O bonds through glycol. In the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of the complexes  $\text{TiL}(\text{OPr}^i)_2$ ,  $\text{TiLL}(\text{OPr}^i)$ , and  $\text{TiLGH}(\text{OPr}^i)$ , the methyl and methine protons of the isopropoxy groups attached to titanium were observed in the region  $\delta\ 1.16\text{--}1.26\text{ ppm}$  and  $\delta\ 4.02\text{--}4.49\text{ ppm}$ , respectively. Other <sup>1</sup>H NMR signals of the ligands that exhibit no significant shift in titanium(IV) complexes are summarized in Table I.

TABLE I <sup>1</sup>H NMR Data of [TiL(OPr<sup>i</sup>)<sub>2</sub>], [TiLL'(OPr<sup>i</sup>)<sub>2</sub>] and [TiLGH(OPr<sup>i</sup>)] Types of Complexes

Ligands and Complexes	$\frac{\text{RCNH}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4)\text{SC}(\text{C}(\text{OH})\text{N}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)\text{N}:\text{CCH}_3, [\text{LH}_2])}{[\text{LH}_2]}$			R <sup>1</sup> R <sup>2</sup> C=NOH, [LH]		G(OH) <sub>2</sub> , [GH <sub>2</sub> ]		Isopropoxy	
	NH/SH	Ring methyl	Ring phenyl/Terminal phenyl/C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Cl (p)/thiophenol ring	=NOH	—CH <sub>3</sub>	—C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	OH	CH <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub>
L <sub>1</sub> H <sub>2</sub>	5.20(bs)	1.92(s)	6.55–8.00 (m)						
TiL <sub>1</sub> (OPr <sup>i</sup> ) <sub>2</sub>	—	1.90 (s)	6.54–8.08 (m)	9.87 (bs)	1.90 (s) 1.91(s)			4.49 (sep.) <sub>unr.</sub>	1.20 (d)
L <sub>1</sub> H				—	*				
TiL <sub>1</sub> L <sub>1</sub> '(OPr <sup>i</sup> )	—	1.90(s)	6.55–7.45 (m)	9.53(bs)	2.31 (s)	7.37–7.64(m)		4.33 (sep.) <sub>unr.</sub>	1.20 (d)
L <sub>2</sub> H				—	2.27 (s)	**		4.33 (sep.) <sub>unr.</sub>	1.20 (d)
TiL <sub>1</sub> L <sub>2</sub> '(OPr <sup>i</sup> )	—	1.90 (s)	6.55–7.77 (m)	11.94(bs)	7.30–8.00(m)	**			
L <sub>3</sub> H				—					
TiL <sub>1</sub> L <sub>3</sub> '(OPr <sup>i</sup> )	—	1.79(s)	6.56–8.01 (m)				5.22 (s)	3.75 (s)	1.21(d)
GH <sub>2</sub>							***	3.69(br)	
TiL <sub>1</sub> GH(OPr <sup>i</sup> )	—	1.95(s)	6.56–8.06 (m)						1.25(d)
L <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub>	6.42 (bs)	2.10 (s)	6.54–7.86 (m)						
TiL <sub>2</sub> (OPr <sup>i</sup> ) <sub>2</sub>	—	1.93 (s)	6.46–7.97 (m)					4.26 (sep.) <sub>unr.</sub>	1.16 (d)
TiL <sub>2</sub> L <sub>1</sub> '(OPr <sup>i</sup> )	—	1.97 (s)	6.55–7.36 (m)	—	1.93 (s)			4.02 (sep.) <sub>unr.</sub>	1.21 (d)
TiL <sub>2</sub> GH(OPr <sup>i</sup> )	—	1.74 (s)	6.22–8.02 (m)				***	3.70(br)	1.26 (d)

Note. where (bs) = broad singlet, (s) = singlet, (d) = doublet, (sep.) = septet, br = broad, unr. = unresolved, (m) = multiplet.  
\*overlap with ring methyl of Schiff bases of heterocyclic β-diketones  
\*\*overlap with phenyl region of Schiff bases of heterocyclic β-diketones  
\*\*\*overlap with methine proton of isopropoxy group.



Benzothiazoline form

Azomethine form

TABLE II <sup>13</sup>C NMR Data of [TiL(OPr<sup>t</sup>)<sub>2</sub>], [TiLL'(OPr<sup>t</sup>)<sub>2</sub>] and [TiLGH(OPr<sup>t</sup>)<sub>2</sub>] Types of Complexes

Ligands and Complexes	R <sup>1</sup> C NH(C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>7</sub> )SC <sup>+</sup> C(OH)N(C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> )N <sup>+</sup> CCH <sub>3</sub> , [LH <sub>2</sub> ]							R <sup>1</sup> R <sup>2</sup> C=NOH, [L'H]			GH <sub>2</sub>	
	C <sub>3</sub>	C <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>5</sub>	C <sub>6</sub>	C <sub>7</sub>	Phenyl region	C≡N	CH <sub>3</sub>	Phenyl		GH <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub>
L <sub>1</sub> H <sub>2</sub>	161.15	104.18	137.28	191.80	15.75	115.21–148.58						
TiL <sub>1</sub> (OPr <sup>t</sup> ) <sub>2</sub>	163.10	107.01	136.72	189.29	16.12	115.21–148.64	155.53	14.72, 15.01,			64.27	25.04, 25.21
L <sub>1</sub> H							155.80	15.27, 21.32, 21.65, 21.97				
TiL <sub>1</sub> L <sub>1</sub> (OPr <sup>t</sup> )	163.57	107.49	136.71	191.28	16.11	115.24–148.65	155.18	14.87, 21.71			64.23	24.67, 25.22
L <sub>2</sub> H							156.02	12.42				
									126.05			
									128.53			
									129.27			
									136.47			
									*			
TiL <sub>1</sub> L <sub>2</sub> (OPr <sup>t</sup> )	163.50	107.57	136.75	191.58	15.81	115.24–148.59	155.54	12.10			64.45	25.17, 25.23
L <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub>	160.48	103.92	137.64	190.13	15.43	115.16–148.99						
TiL <sub>2</sub> (OPr <sup>t</sup> ) <sub>2</sub>	163.50	108.08	136.78	187.10	16.28	115.22–148.61					64.35	25.04, 25.31
TiL <sub>2</sub> L <sub>1</sub> (OPr <sup>t</sup> )	163.78	107.56	137.59	189.68	16.33	115.23–148.62	155.32	14.85			64.32	24.63, 25.27
								19.62				
								21.72				
GH <sub>2</sub>											62.71	
TiL <sub>2</sub> GH(OPr <sup>t</sup> )	163.15	104.47	136.79	191.47	16.17	115.22–148.61					63.80	74.10 64.28 24.80

Note: \*Overlap with phenyl region of Schiff bases of heterocyclic β -diketones.



TABLE III Physical and Analytical Data of [TiL(OPr<sup>i</sup>)<sub>2</sub>], [TiLL'(OPr<sup>i</sup>)], and [TiLGH(OPr<sup>i</sup>)] Types of Complexes

Complex Formula	Reactants in g (m mol)			GH <sub>2</sub>	Liberated Pr <sup>i</sup> OH Found (Calc.)	-OPr <sup>i</sup> %		Ti %		Mol. wt. Found m.p. (°C)	Yield (in gms) Found (Calc.)
	Ti(OPr <sup>i</sup> ) <sub>4</sub> / TiL(OPr <sup>i</sup> ) <sub>2</sub>	LH <sub>2</sub>	L'H			Found (Calc.)	Found (Calc.)				
TiTL <sub>1</sub> (OPr <sup>i</sup> ) <sub>2</sub> [C <sub>29</sub> H <sub>31</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>3</sub> STi]	Ti(OPr <sup>i</sup> ) <sub>4</sub> 0.64 g (2.2 mmol)	0.87 g (2.2 mmol)			0.26 (0.27)	20.80 (21.52)	8.6 (8.7)	110 (8.7)	555.10 (549.12)	1.00 (1.24)	
TiTL <sub>1</sub> L <sub>1</sub> '(OPr <sup>i</sup> ) [C <sub>29</sub> H <sub>30</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>3</sub> STi]	TiL <sub>1</sub> (OPr <sup>i</sup> ) <sub>2</sub> 0.75 g (1.3 mmol)	0.09 g (1.3 mmol)	0.09 g (1.3 mmol)		0.07 (0.08)	10.28 (10.51)	8.4 (8.5)	76 (8.5)	579.15 (562.12)	0.65 (0.76)	
TiTL <sub>1</sub> L <sub>2</sub> (OPr <sup>i</sup> ) [C <sub>34</sub> H <sub>32</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>3</sub> STi]	TiL <sub>1</sub> (OPr <sup>i</sup> ) <sub>2</sub> 1.02 g (1.8 mmol)	0.25 g (1.8 mmol)	0.25 g (1.8 mmol)		0.10 (0.11)	9.19 (9.46)	7.5 (7.6)	90 (7.6)	636.08 (624.17)	0.96 (1.15)	
TiTL <sub>1</sub> L <sub>3</sub> (OPr <sup>i</sup> ) [C <sub>40</sub> H <sub>34</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>4</sub> STi]	TiL <sub>1</sub> (OPr <sup>i</sup> ) <sub>2</sub> 1.05 g (1.9 mmol)	0.43 g (1.9 mmol)	0.43 g (1.9 mmol)		0.10 (0.11)	8.16 (8.27)	6.6 (6.7)	84 (6.7)	720.14 (714.22)	1.10 (1.37)	
TiTL <sub>1</sub> GH(OPr <sup>i</sup> ) [C <sub>28</sub> H <sub>29</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> STi]	TiL <sub>1</sub> (OPr <sup>i</sup> ) <sub>2</sub> 1.10 g (2.0 mmol)		mmol	0.13 g (2.0 mmol)	0.11 (0.12)	10.70 (10.72)	8.5 (8.6)	117 (8.6)	570.88 (551.10)	0.95 (1.10)	
TiTL <sub>2</sub> (OPr <sup>i</sup> ) <sub>2</sub> [C <sub>29</sub> H <sub>30</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>3</sub> STiCl]	Ti(OPr <sup>i</sup> ) <sub>4</sub> 0.80 g (2.8 mmol)	1.18 g (2.8 mmol)			0.31 (0.33)	20.01 (20.24)	8.1 (8.2)	124 (8.2)	590.05 (583.62)	1.42 (1.65)	
TiTL <sub>2</sub> L <sub>1</sub> '(OPr <sup>i</sup> ) [C <sub>29</sub> H <sub>29</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>3</sub> STiCl]	TiL <sub>2</sub> (OPr <sup>i</sup> ) <sub>2</sub> 1.54 g (2.6 mmol)	0.19 g (2.6 mmol)	0.19 g (2.6 mmol)		0.14 (0.15)	9.68 (9.90)	7.9 (8.0)	130 (8.0)	610.20 (596.62)	1.35 (1.57)	
TiTL <sub>2</sub> GH(OPr <sup>i</sup> ) [C <sub>25</sub> H <sub>20</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>3</sub> STiCl]	TiL <sub>2</sub> (OPr <sup>i</sup> ) <sub>2</sub> 1.14 g (1.9 mmol)			0.12 g (1.9 mmol)	0.10 (0.11)	11.10 (11.24)	9.0 (9.1)	147 (9.1)	550.20 (525.58)	0.85 (1.02)	

where

$$\text{LH}_2 = \text{RCN}[\text{H}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4)\text{SC}(\text{OH})\text{N}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)\text{N}:\text{CCH}_3]$$
$$\text{L}_1\text{H}_2 = \text{R} = -\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$$
$$\text{L}_2\text{H}_2 = \text{R} = -\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Cl (p)}$$

$$\text{LH} = \text{R}^1\text{R}^2\text{C} = \text{NOH}$$
$$\text{L}'_1\text{H} = \text{R}^1 = \text{R}^2 = -\text{CH}_3$$
$$\text{L}_2\text{H} = \text{R}^1 = -\text{CH}_3, \text{R}^2 = -\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$$
$$\text{L}_3\text{H} = \text{R}^1 = -\text{COC}_6\text{H}_5, \text{R}^2 = -\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$$
$$\text{GH} = \text{HO}-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{OH}$$

### <sup>13</sup>C NMR Spectra

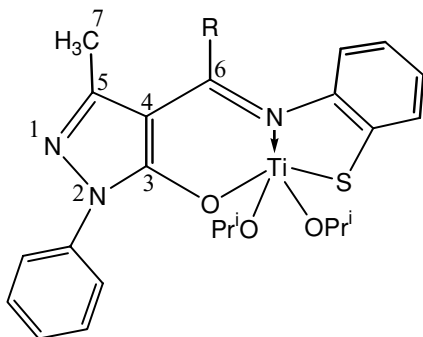
The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of some representative titanium(IV) complexes of the types TiL(OPr<sup>i</sup>)<sub>2</sub>, TiLL'(OPr<sup>i</sup>), and TiLGH(OPr<sup>i</sup>) and their parent ligands were recorded in CDCl<sub>3</sub> using TMS as an internal standard and are summarized in Table II. The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectral study of the complexes and ligands provided important and useful information. This information was used in suggesting the mode of bonding and establishing plausible structures of these titanium(IV) complexes. The C<sub>6</sub> carbon signal appeared in the region δ 190.13–191.80 ppm in the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of the free Schiff bases. There is some shift in the position of C<sub>6</sub> carbon signal in the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of the complexes, which indicates the involvement of >C<sub>6</sub>=N-in bonding. In the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of the complexes TiL(OPr<sup>i</sup>)<sub>2</sub>, TiLL'(OPr<sup>i</sup>), and TiL<sub>2</sub>GH(OPr<sup>i</sup>), signals of methyl carbons, and methine carbon of isopropoxy groups attached to titanium appear at δ 24.67–25.31 ppm and δ 64.23–64.45 ppm, respectively. The signals of CH<sub>2</sub> carbons of ethylene glycol appear at δ 63.80 and δ 74.10 ppm in the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of the complex TiL<sub>2</sub>GH(OPr<sup>i</sup>).

### CONCLUSION

Incorporation of titanium(IV) into sterically hindered Schiff bases of heterocyclic β -diketones involving ketooximes and glycol as coligands afforded titanium(IV) complexes of the types TiL(OPr<sup>i</sup>)<sub>2</sub>, TiLL'(OPr<sup>i</sup>), and TiLGH(OPr<sup>i</sup>). These complexes are monomers. On the basis of physicochemical and spectral evidences, the following plausible structures may be proposed for these titanium(IV) complexes (see Figure 1).

In this complex (Precursor A), TiL(OPr<sup>i</sup>)<sub>2</sub>, titanium is incorporated into sterically hindered Schiff bases. These complexes possess pentacoordinated titanium centers. These are metallacyclic complexes in which central titanium is surrounded by three heteroatoms—nitrogen, oxygen, and sulfur. Incorporation of titanium into sterically hindered Schiff bases results in the formation of a five- and a six-membered rings. The interesting feature of these complexes is the presence of a Ti← N bond, which is important for the possible biological activity of these complexes. The presence of two isopropoxy groups on titanium in these complexes provides reaction sites for further reactions, and because of this reason, these are used as versatile precursors for the synthesis of complexes of the types TiLL'(OPr<sup>i</sup>) and TiLGH(OPr<sup>i</sup>).

In the complexes of the type [TiLL'(OPr<sup>i</sup>)] (Figure 2), titanium is incorporated into sterically hindered Schiff bases and ketooximes. These complexes possess pentacoordinated titanium atoms. One isopropoxy



Where

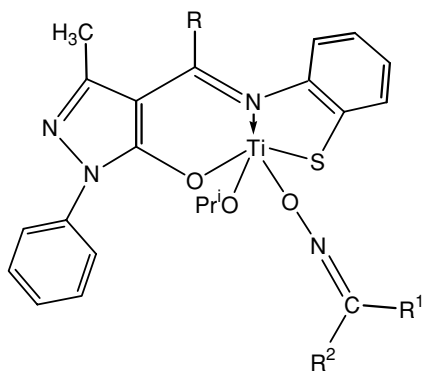
$R = -C_6H_5$       Precursor A'      Complex  $[TiL_1(OPr^i)_2]$

$R = -C_6H_4Cl(p)$       Precursor A''      Complex  $[TiL_2(OPr^i)_2]$

**FIGURE 1** Proposed structure of Precursor A, complex  $[TiL(OPr^i)_2]$ .

group present over titanium atom could not be substituted by a second acetooxime molecule, probably due to steric reasons.

The metallacyclic complexes of the type  $TiLGH(OPr^i)$  (Figure 3) possess an additional five-membered ring. The coordination number of titanium in these complexes is six.



Where

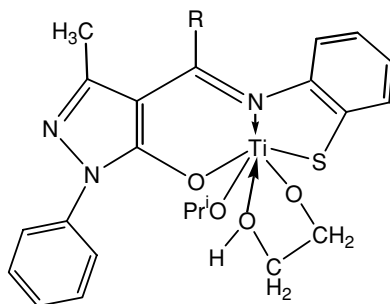
$R = -C_6H_5$        $R^1 = R^2 = -CH_3$       Complex  $[TiL_1L_1(OPr^i)]$

$R = -C_6H_5$        $R^1 = -CH_3, R^2 = -C_6H_5$       Complex  $[TiL_1L_2(OPr^i)]$

$R = -C_6H_5$        $R^1 = -COC_6H_5, R^2 = -C_6H_5$       Complex  $[TiL_1L_3(OPr^i)]$

$R = -C_6H_4Cl(p)$        $R^1 = R^2 = -CH_3$       Complex  $[TiL_2L_1(OPr^i)]$

**FIGURE 2** Proposed structure of complex  $[TiLL'(OPr^i)]$ .



Where

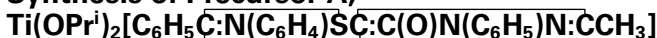
R = -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>      Complex [TiL<sub>1</sub>GH(OPr<sup>i</sup>)]  
 R = -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Cl (p)      Complex [TiL<sub>2</sub>GH(OPr<sup>i</sup>)]

**FIGURE 3** Proposed structure of complex [TiLGH(OPr<sup>i</sup>)].

## EXPERIMENTAL

Stringent precautions were taken to exclude atmospheric moisture during experimental work. The ligands, Schiff bases of sterically hindered heterocyclic  $\beta$ -diketones, were synthesized by reported method<sup>21</sup> and ketooximes were prepared by the standard methods. Glycol was commercially available and dried by standard method. The solvents used in the reactions were dried by standard methods. Ti(OPr<sup>i</sup>)<sub>4</sub> was prepared by reported method.<sup>24</sup> Molecular weights of titanium(IV) complexes were determined cryoscopically in benzene solution by Beckmann's method. The liberated isopropanol in the azeotrope was estimated by oxidimetric method. Titanium was estimated gravimetrically as TiO<sub>2</sub>.<sup>25</sup> IR (4000–400 cm<sup>-1</sup>) spectra were recorded on SHIMADZU, FTIR-8400 spectrophotometer and samples were prepared as KBr pellets. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl<sub>3</sub> solution on JEOL FTAL 300 NMR spectrometer operating at 300 and 75.45 MHz, respectively.

### Synthesis of Precursor A'



To a benzene solution of Ti(OPr<sup>i</sup>)<sub>4</sub> (0.64 g, 2.2 mmol) was added a benzene solution of the Schiff base, L<sub>1</sub>H<sub>2</sub> (0.87 g, 2.2 mmol). The reaction contents were refluxed for ~ 10 h, and the progress of the reaction was monitored by estimating the liberated isopropanol in the azeotrope. After completion of the reaction, the excess solvent was removed under

reduced pressure. A brown-colored solid was obtained, which was recrystallized from benzene and pet.-ether mixture. The physical and analytical data are summarized in Table III.

### Synthesis of $\text{Ti}(\text{OPr}^i)[\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{C}:\text{N}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4)\text{SC}:\text{C}(\text{O})\text{N}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)\text{N}:\text{CCH}_3][(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{C}=\text{NO}]$

To a benzene solution of precursor A',  $\text{Ti}(\text{OPr}^i)_2[\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{C}:\text{N}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4)\text{SC}:\text{C}(\text{O})\text{N}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)\text{N}:\text{CCH}_3]$  (0.75 g, 1.3 mmol) was added a benzene solution of acetooxime (0.09 g, 1.3 mmol). The reaction was completed in  $\sim 10$  h of refluxing. The liberated alcohol in the azeotrope was estimated to monitor the progress of the reaction. After stripping off the excess solvent under reduced pressure, a brown-colored solid was isolated, which was purified by recrystallization from benzene and pet.-ether mixture. The physical and analytical data are summarized in Table III.

### Synthesis of $\text{Ti}(\text{OPr}^i)[(\text{p})\text{ClC}_6\text{H}_4\text{C}:\text{N}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4)\text{SC}:\text{C}(\text{O})\text{N}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)\text{N}:\text{CCH}_3][\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH}]$

A benzene solution of ethylene glycol (0.12 g, 1.9 mmol) was added to a benzene solution of precursor A''  $\text{Ti}(\text{OPr}^i)_2[(\text{p})\text{ClC}_6\text{H}_4\text{C}:\text{N}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4)\text{SC}:\text{C}(\text{O})\text{N}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)\text{N}:\text{CCH}_3]$  (1.14 g, 1.9 mmol). The reaction contents were refluxed for  $\sim 10$  h, and isopropanol in the azeotrope was estimated by oxidimetric method. A yellowish brown-colored solid product was obtained after removing the excess solvent. This product was recrystallized from benzene and pet.-ether mixture. The physical and analytical data are summarized in Table III.

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