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## Área: INO

## Structure and Leishmanicidal activity of a new organometallic Ru(*p*-cym) complex containing a $\beta$ -diketonate and 3-Chloropyridine

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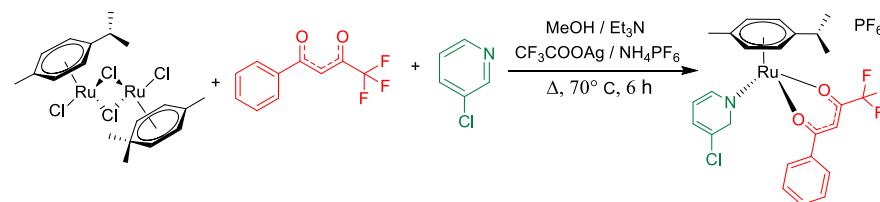
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### Highlights

A new organoruthenium complex was synthesized and characterized, showing activity against *L.L. amazonensis* and cytotoxic potential due to structural changes from ligand exchange.

### Resumo/Abstract

Leishmaniasis is a neglected tropical disease with a significant global health impact. Current treatments face challenges related to resistance, safety, efficacy, and cost. New strategies to address these limitations are under investigation, and Ru(II) complexes based on *p*-cymene, which have shown promising biological activity, are considered potential alternatives. In this study, a new organoruthenium complex with the formula [Ru( $\eta^6$ -*p*-cymene)(HBTA)(3-ClPy)]PF<sub>6</sub> (HBTA = 4,4,4-trifluoro-1-phenyl-1,3-butanedionate; 3-ClPy = 3-chloropyridine) was synthesized, characterized, and evaluated for its potential to inhibit *Leishmania amazonensis* growth using well-established methods. FTIR analysis revealed characteristic bands for v(C=O) and v(C=C) stretching modes of the bidentate O,O-donor diketonate ligand within the range of 1595–1531 cm<sup>-1</sup>. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum displayed all expected signals for the coordinated *p*-cymene,  $\beta$ -diketonate, and pyridine derivative ligands, with a singlet near 6.2 ppm corresponding to the methylenic hydrogen of the diketonate ligand. X-ray diffraction analysis, performed on single crystals obtained from complex recrystallization, confirmed that the compound crystallizes in the P2<sub>1</sub>/c space group of the monoclinic system, and the molecular structure clearly exhibits a “piano-stool” pseudo-octahedral geometry. While the precursor complex is inactive, the newly synthesized complex demonstrated higher activity than uncoordinated  $\beta$ -diketonate against *L. amazonensis* promastigotes. Moreover, the substitution of the chloride ligand with a pyridine-derived ligand significantly influenced the cytotoxic potential, demonstrating that structural modifications can substantially impact biological activity.



Ru complexes	IC <sub>50</sub> (95% CI), $\mu$ M <sup>a</sup>
[RuCl <sub>2</sub> ( <i>p</i> -cim)] <sub>2</sub>	> 200
(HBTA)	57.8
[Ru( <i>p</i> -cim)(HBTA)(Cl)]PF <sub>6</sub>	90.5
[Ru( <i>p</i> -cim)(HBTA)(3-ClPy)]PF <sub>6</sub>	27.10

Figure 1. General scheme for synthesis and general structure of complex.

Table 1. IC<sub>50</sub> (95% CI) of ruthenium complexes and  $\beta$ -diketonates on *Leishmania amazonensis* promastigotes.

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