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Electronic Structure and the Magnetic Hyperfine Interactions in Heme Unit of Metmyoglobin N.B. MAHARJAN, Tribhuvan University, Nepal, S.R. BADU, SUNY Albany, ARCHANA DUBEY, UCF Orlando, R.H. SCHE-ICHER, Uppsala University, Sweden, R.H. PINK, SUNY Albany, LEE CHOW, A. SCHULTE, H.P. SAHA, UCF Orlando, T.P. DAS, SUNY Albany, UCF Orlando — The ¹⁴N and ^{57m}Fe hyperfine interactions in the heme unit of metmyoglobin are available experimentally by electron-nuclear double resonance (ENDOR) and Mossbauer spectroscopic techniques. We have carried out electronic structure investigations on the heme system including the H₂O and proximal imidazole ligands by the first-principles Hartree-Fock procedure and studied the magnetic hyperfine and nuclear quadrupole coupling constants for the 57m Fe nucleus and all the six ¹⁴N nuclei on the four pyrrole and imidazole ligands as well as the ¹⁷O nucleus on the H_2O ligand. Comparison will be made with available experimental data [1, 2]and earlier theoretical investigations [3] by the approximate self-consistent charge Extended Huckel procedure. Results will also be presented for the optical frequencies and intensities from transitions between ligand-like and iron d-like states and the Fe-N_{ε} vibrational frequency [1] G. Lang, Q. Rev. Biophys. <u>3</u>, 1 (1970) [2] C.P. Scholes, R.A. Isaacson and G Feher, Biochim. Biophys. Acta <u>263</u>,448(1972) [3] S.K. Mun, Jane C. Chang and T.P. Das J. Am. Chem. Soc. <u>101</u>, 5562(1979)

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