# A Combined Experimental (FT-IR) and Computational Studies of 9-Chloroanthracene 

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#### Abstract

The experimental FT-IR spectral analysis of 9-chloroanthracene has worked out by using density functional theory (DFT). The optimized molecular structure and minimum energy of 9-chloroanthracene has analyzed using DFT/B3LYP functional employing 6-311++G(d,p) basis set. The vibrational frequencies along with IR intensities were computed, scaling was used for a better fit between the experimental and computed frequencies, they agreed with rms error $8.48 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ for 9 -chloroanthracene. The NLO behaviour of the molecule is investigated from first-order hyperpolarizability. The HOMO and LUMO energies are evaluated to demonstrate the chemical stability, reactivity of molecule. The MESP over the molecules were plotted to evaluate electron density regions and thermodynamic parameters are calculated. Hyper conjugative interactions and charge delocalization of the molecule study from NBO analysis and Fukui functions are evaluated for 9-chloroanthracene. The molecular docking studies were performed against anticancer protein targets Tyrosinase and HER2.


Keywords: 9-Chloroanthracene, Vibrational analysis, First order hyperpolarizability, NBO analysis, Molecular docking.

## INTRODUCTION

Anthracene having a molecular formula $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{10}$ containing three fused benzene rings and comes under polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon (PAH). Anthracene and its derivatives are used in many research areas due to its many applications arising from various spectroscopic properties and chemical reactivity. They are generally used as probes in fluorescence [1-5]. They are also used as a labeling in biological systems [6], bio imaging [7,8] and significant biological and medicinal activity [9]. Pseudo urea is a drug containing anthracene used in clinical testing trials [10]. Anthracyclines are used as a treatment of cancer which inhibits the base pairs of the DNA/RNA results preventing the reproduction of rapidly-growing cancer cells [11]. Sidman [12] reported electronic and vibrational states of anthracene using the polarized absorption and fluorescence spectra. Vibrational and electronic spectral analysis using experimental and DFT approach of 9-anthracene methanol was investigated by Kou et al. [13]. The crystallographic studies and intermolecular hydrogen bonding transformations of 1-chloroanthracene and its photodimer were investigated by Turowska-Tyrk and Grzesniak
[14]. To the best of our knowledge, the complete vibrational analysis and its quantum chemical characteristics of 9-chloroanthracene was not been reported in the admissible task so far. Keeping in view of the literature, we investigated experimental and theoretical calculations on the vibrational spectra of 9-chloroanthracene with the help of FT-IR and density functional theory (DFT) calculations. The molecular characteristics i.e. polarizability, first-order hyperpolarizability and dipole moment to calculate the NLO behaviour. MESP, thermodynamic parameters and HOMO-LUMO energies are calculated. To make the NBO analysis to study the stability of the molecules rising from hyper conjugative interactions and charge delocalization. Further, in silico docking studies were performed against 3pp0 and 3nm8 are target proteins by using Autodock.

## EXPERIMENTAL

9-Chloroanthracene is purchased from Sigma-Aldrich and used as such without further purification. For IR spectral measurements, the spectra were recorded over the range of $4000-450 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ using Perkin Elmer spectrum RX1 spectrometer.

[^0]Computational details: The computations were established by using the standard density functional triply-parameter hybrid model DFT/B3LYP [15] employing 6-311++G(d,p) basis set (i.e. the valence triple basis set, augmented by d polarization functions on carbon and nitrogen atoms, p polarization functions on hydrogen atoms and enlarged by diffuse functions on all atoms). In silico molecular docking studies have been performed by employing Auto Dock 4.2 package suite and Auto Dock Tools (ADT) (http://mgltools.scripps.edu) version 1.5.6 [16]. Visualize the ligand and receptor interactions by Discover Studio Visualizer 4.0 software [17].

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Molecular geometry: The most optimized molecular structure of 9-chloroanthracene has obtained from density functional theory employing with B3LYP/6-311++G(d,p) basis set using the Gaussian09W, as presented along with numbering in Fig. 1. The geometrical parameters bond distances, bond angles and dihedral angles of 9-chloroanthracene were reported in Table-1. The geometric parameters are in good agreement with experimental counters parts [14]. From DFT calculations, the average calculated value of aromatic $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C}$ bond lengths in anthracene ring of 9-chloroanthracene is found to be $1.406 \AA$, which is in good agreement with single crystal XRD value $1.395 \AA$. The average theoretical value of aromatic $\angle C C C$ bond angle of anthracene ring is found to be $119.9 \AA$, which is good agreement with those of experimental value $120.0 \AA$. The average values of $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}$ bond distances and $\angle \mathrm{CCH}$ bond angles of anthracene ring was computed as 1.083 and $119.44 \AA$,


Fig. 1. Optimized molecular structure along with numbering of atoms for 9-chloroanthracene $(E=-999.28020393$ Hartree $)$
which are in good agreement with experimental value 0.95 and $119.50 \AA$ obtained from X-ray studies. The bond distances $(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{Cl})$ and bond angle $(\angle \mathrm{CCCl})$ between chlorine and anthracene ring are computed as 1.765 and $118.46 \AA$, which are well agreement with experimental values 1.728 and 118.61 Å [14].

Vibrational analysis: The vibrational modes of the molecule under investigation is made using the DFT method employing B3LYP/6-311++G(d,p) basis set. 9-Chloroanthracene is composed of 24 atoms consists of 66 fundamental vibrations. They are dispensed as 45 in-plane vibrations and 21 out-ofplane vibrations of a-species in $\mathrm{C}_{1}$ symmetry. To make a comp-

TABLE-1
OPTIMIZED GEOMETRICAL PARAMETERS OF 9-CHLOROANTHRACENE OBTAINED BY B3LYP/6-311++G(d, p) DENSITY FUNCTIONAL CALCULATIONS

| Bond length | Value ( A ) | Bond angle | Value ( ${ }^{\circ}$ ) | Dihedral angle | Value ( ${ }^{\circ}$ ) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C1-C2 | 1.367 | C1-C2-C3 | 120.88 | C1-C2-C3-C4 | 0.0 |
| C2-C3 | 1.422 | C2-C3-C4 | 119.99 | C2-C3-C4-C5 | 0.0 |
| C3-C4 | 1.365 | C3-C4-C5 | 121.17 | C3-C4-C5-C6 | 0.0 |
| C4-C5 | 1.428 | C4-C5-C14 | 118.79 | C4-C5-C14-C1 | 0.0 |
| C5-C14 | 1.444 | C5-C14-C1 | 118.14 | C5-C14-C1-C2 | 0.0 |
| C14-C1 | 1.428 | C14-C1-C2 | 121.00 | C14-C1-C2-C3 | 0.0 |
| C5-C6 | 1.395 | C5-C6-C7 | 121.75 | C5-C6-C7-C12 | 0.0 |
| C6-C7 | 1.395 | C6-C7-C12 | 119.75 | C6-C7-C12-C13 | 0.0 |
| C7-C12 | 1.444 | C7-C12-C13 | 117.83 | C7-C12-C13-C14 | 0.0 |
| C12-C13 | 1.405 | C12-C13-C14 | 123.06 | C12-C13-C14-C5 | 0.0 |
| C13-C14 | 1.405 | C13-C14-C5 | 117.84 | C13-C14-C5-C6 | 0.0 |
| C7-C8 | 1.428 | C14-C5-C6 | 119.75 | C14-C5-C6-C7 | 0.0 |
| C8-C9 | 1.365 | C7-C8-C9 | 121.17 | C7-C8-C9-C10 | 0.0 |
| C9-C10 | 1.422 | C8-C9-C10 | 119.99 | C8-C9-C10-C11 | 0.0 |
| C10-C11 | 1.367 | C9-C10-C11 | 120.88 | C9-C10-C11-C12 | 0.0 |
| C11-C12 | 1.428 | C10-C11-C12 | 121.00 | C10-C11-C12-C7 | 0.0 |
| C1-H15 | 1.081 | C11-C12-C7 | 118.14 | C11-C12-C7-C8 | 0.0 |
| C2-H16 | 1.084 | C12-C7-C8 | 118.79 | C12-C7-C8-C9 | 0.0 |
| C3-H17 | 1.084 | C14-C1-H15 | 118.88 | C5-C14-C1-H15 | -180.0 |
| C4-H18 | 1.084 | C1-C2-H16 | 119.67 | C14-C1-C2-H16 | -180.0 |
| C6-H19 | 1.085 | C2-C3-H17 | 119.65 | C1-C2-C3-H17 | 180.0 |
| C8-C20 | 1.084 | C3-C4-H18 | 120.61 | C2-C3-C4-H18 | 180.0 |
| C9-H21 | 1.084 | C5-C6-H19 | 119.12 | C14-C5-C6-H19 | -180.0 |
| C10-H22 | 1.084 | C7-C8-H20 | 118.20 | C12-C7-C8-H20 | -180.0 |
| C11-H23 | 1.081 | C8-C9-H21 | 120.35 | C7-C8-C9-H21 | -180.0 |
| C13-Cl24 | 1.765 | C9-C10-H22 | 119.43 | C8-C9-C10-H22 | 180.0 |
|  |  | C10-C11-H23 | 120.11 | C9-C10-C11-C23 | -180.0 |
|  |  | C12-C13-Cl24 | 118.46 | C7-C12-C13-Cl24 | -180.0 |

lete explanation of vibrations by normal coordinate analysis. For this motivation, the full set of 96 primitive (or standard) internal valence coordinates was defined as represents in Table-2. By an acceptable linear combination of these internal coordinates, a non-redundant set of 66 natural internal coordinates was established ensuing the guidance of Fogarasi et al. [18,19]. These are depicted in Table-3. The theoretically calculated DFT force field was transformed into natural symmetry coordinates, by using Molvib.7.0 program, normal coordinate was performed
on 9-chloroanthracene [20,21]. According to the scaled quantum mechanical procedure, scaling of force constants was made [22,23] using selective scaling in the natural coordinate representation $[18,24]$. This is required to offset the systematic errors [25]. The complete vibrational assignments of fundamental modes of the molecule along with computed IR intensities and normal mode established characterized by PED are presented in Table-4. The root mean square (rms) deviation between the calculated and experimental frequencies was obtained emplo-

## TABLE-2

DEFINITION OF INTERNAL COORDINATES OF 9-CHLOROANTHRACENE

| S. No | Symbol | Type | Definition |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Stretching |  |  |  |
| 1-16 | $\mathrm{d}_{\mathrm{i}}$ | C-C (aromatic) | C1-C2, C2-C3, C3-C4, C4-C5, C5-C14, C14-C1, C5-C6, C6-C7, C7-C12, C12-C13, C13C14, C7-C8, C8-C9, C9-C10, C10-C11, C11-C12 |
| 17-25 | $\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{i}}$ | C-H (aromatic) | C1-H15, C2-H16, C3-H17, C4-H18, C6-H19, C8-H20, C9-H21, C10-H22, C11-H23 |
| 26 | $\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{i}}$ | $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{Cl}$ | C13-Cl24 |
| Bending |  |  |  |
| 27-44 | $\theta_{\mathrm{i}}$ | C-C-C (aromatic) | C1-C2-C3, C2-C3-C4, C3-C4-C5, C4-C5-C14, C5-C14-C1, C14-C1-C2, C5-C6-C7, C6-C7-C12, C7-C12-C13, C12-C13-C14, C13-C14-C5, C14-C5-C6, C7-C8-C9, C8-C9-C10, C9-C10-C11, C10-C11-C12, C11-C12-C7, C12-C7-C8 |
| 45-62 | $\beta_{i}$ | C-C-H (aromatic) | C14-C1-H15, C2-C1-H15, C1-C2-H16, C3-C2-H16, C2-C3-H17, C4-C3-H17, C3-C4H18, C5-C4-H18, C5-C6-H19, C7-C6-H19, C7-C8-H20, C9-C8-H20, C8-C9-H21, C10-C9-H21, C9-C10-H22, C11-C10-H23, C10-C11-H23, C12-C11-H23 |
| 63-64 | $\beta_{i}$ | C-C-Cl | C12-C13-Cl24, C14-C13-Cl24 |
| Out-of-plane bending |  |  |  |
| 65-82 | $\delta_{i}$ | C-C-C-C | C1-C2-C3-C4, C2-C3-C4-C5, C3-C4-C5-C14, C4-C5-C14-C1, C5-C14-C1-C2, C14-C1-C2-C3, C5-C6-C7-C12, C6-C7-C12-C13, C7-C12-C13-C14, C12-C13-C14-C5, C13-C14-C5-C6, C14-C5-C6-C7, C7-C8-C9-C10, C8-C9-C10-C11, C9-C10-C11-C12, C10-C11-C12-C7, C11-C12-C7-C8, C12-C7-C8-C9 |
| 83-91 | $\gamma_{i}$ | H-C-C-C | H15-C1-C14-C2, H16-C2-C1-C3, H17-C3-C2-C4, H18-C4-C3-C5, H19-C6-C5-C7, H20-C8-C7-C9, H21-C9-C8-C10, H22-C10-C9-C11, H23-C1-C10-C12 |
| 92 | $\gamma_{i}$ | Cl-C-C-C | C124-C13-C12-C14 |
| 93-96 | $\tau_{i}$ | C-C-C-C (butterfly) | C13-C14-C5-C4, C1-C14-C5-C6, C11-C12-C7-C6, C13-C12-C7-C8 |

TABLE-3
SYMMETRY COORDINATES FOR IN-PLANE AND OUT-OF-PLANE VIBRATIONS OF 9-CHLOROANTHRACENE

| S. No. | Type ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Definition ${ }^{\text {b }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1-16 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})$ (ring) | $\mathrm{d}_{1}, \mathrm{~d}_{2}, \mathrm{~d}_{3}, \mathrm{~d}_{4}, \mathrm{~d}_{5}, \mathrm{~d}_{6}, \mathrm{~d}_{7}, \mathrm{~d}_{8}, \mathrm{~d}_{9}, \mathrm{~d}_{10}, \mathrm{~d}_{11}, \mathrm{~d}_{12}, \mathrm{~d}_{13}, \mathrm{~d}_{14}, \mathrm{~d}_{15}, \mathrm{~d}_{16}$ |
| 17-25 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H})$ (ring) | $\mathrm{r}_{2}, \mathrm{r}_{3}, \mathrm{r}_{4}, \mathrm{r}_{5}, \mathrm{r}_{6}, \mathrm{r}_{7}, \mathrm{r}_{8}, \mathrm{r}_{9}, \mathrm{r}_{10}$ |
| 26 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{Cl})$ | $\mathrm{r}_{1}$ |
| 27-35 | $\beta(\mathrm{CCC})$ (ring) | $\begin{aligned} & \theta_{1}-\theta_{2}+\theta_{3}-\theta_{4}+\theta_{5}-\theta_{6} / \sqrt{ } 6,2 \theta_{1}-\theta_{2}-\theta_{3}+2 \theta_{4}-\theta_{5}-\theta_{6} / \sqrt{ } 12-\theta_{2}+\theta_{3}-\theta_{5}+\theta_{6} / \sqrt{ } 2, \theta_{7}-\theta_{8}+\theta_{9}-\theta_{10}+\theta_{11}-\theta_{12} / \sqrt{ } 6,2 \theta_{7}-\theta_{8}-\theta_{9}+2 \theta_{10}-\theta_{11}- \\ & \theta_{12} / \sqrt{12},-\theta_{8}+\theta_{9}-\theta_{11}+\theta_{12} / \sqrt{ } 2, \theta_{13}-\theta_{14}+\theta_{15}-\theta_{16}+\theta_{17}-\theta_{18} / \sqrt{6}, 2 \theta_{13}-\theta_{14}-\theta_{15}+2 \theta_{16}-\theta_{17}-\theta_{18} / \sqrt{12,}-\theta_{14}+\theta_{15}-\theta_{17}+\theta_{18} / \sqrt{ } 2 \end{aligned}$ |
| 36-44 | $\beta(\mathrm{CH})$ | $\beta_{3}-\beta_{4} / \sqrt{ } 2, \beta_{5}-\beta_{6} / \sqrt{ } 2, \beta_{7}-\beta_{8} / \sqrt{ } 2, \beta_{9}-\beta_{10} / \sqrt{ } 2, \beta_{11}-\beta_{12} / 1 / 2$, $\beta_{13}-\beta_{14} / \sqrt{ } 2, \beta_{15}-\beta_{16} / \sqrt{ } 2, \beta_{17}-\beta_{18} / \sqrt{ } 2, \beta_{19}-\beta_{20} / \sqrt{ } 2$ |
| 45 | $\beta(\mathrm{CCl})$ | $\beta_{1}-\beta_{2} / \sqrt{ } 2$, |
| 46-54 | $\tau(\mathrm{CCCC})$ | $\begin{aligned} & \delta_{1}-\delta_{2}+\delta_{3}-\delta_{4}+\delta_{5}-\delta_{6} / \sqrt{ } 6,-\delta_{1}+2 \delta_{2}-\delta_{3}-\delta_{4}+2 \delta_{5}-\delta_{6} / \sqrt{ } 12, \delta_{1}-\delta_{3}+\delta_{4}-\delta_{6} 2, \delta_{7}-\delta_{8}+\delta_{9}-\delta_{10}+\delta_{11}-\delta_{6} / \sqrt{ } / 2,-\delta_{7}+2 \delta_{8}-\delta_{9}-\delta_{10}+2 \delta_{11}- \\ & \delta_{12} / \sqrt{ } / 22, \delta_{7}-\delta_{9}+\delta_{10}-\delta_{12} / 2, \delta_{13}-\delta_{14}+\delta_{15}-\delta_{16}+\delta_{17}-\delta_{18} / \sqrt{ } 6,-\delta_{13}+2 \delta_{14}-\delta_{15}-\delta_{16}+2 \delta_{17}-\delta_{18} / \sqrt{ } 12, \delta_{13}-\delta_{15}+\delta_{16}-\delta_{18} / 2 \end{aligned}$ |
| 55-63 | $\pi(\mathrm{CH})$ | $\gamma_{2}, \gamma_{3}, \gamma_{4}, \gamma_{5}, \gamma_{6}, \gamma_{7}, \gamma_{8}, \gamma_{9}, \gamma_{10}$ |
| 64 | $\pi(\mathrm{CCl})$ | $\gamma_{1}$ |
| 65-66 | Butterfly | $\tau_{1}-\tau_{2} / \sqrt{ } 2, \tau_{3}-\tau_{4} / \sqrt{ } 2$ |

${ }^{a}$ The symbols are used for description of the normal modes by PED in Table-4. ${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ The internal coordinates used here are defined in Table-2.

| TABLE-4 <br> ASSIGNMENTS OF FUNDAMENTAL VIBRATIONS OF 9-CHLOROANTHRACENE BY NORMAL MODE ANALYSIS BASED ON SQM FORCE FIELD CALCULATIONS USING B3LYP/6-311++G(d,p) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| S. No. | Mode ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Observed frequency $\left(\mathrm{cm}^{-1}\right)$ | Calculated frequency ( $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ) |  | $\mathrm{IR}^{\mathrm{b}}\left(\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{i}}\right)$ | PED (\%) among types of Internal coordinates ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |
|  |  |  | Unscaled | Scaled |  |  |
| 1 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})$ | 1660 | 1687 | 1665 | 9.320 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(69), \beta(\mathrm{CH})(19)$ |
| 2 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})$ | 1649 | 1678 | 1648 | 0.878 | $\nu(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(67), \beta(\mathrm{CH})(16), \beta(\mathrm{CCC})(10)$ |
| 3 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})$ | 1621 | 1634 | 1624 | 1.409 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(69), \beta(\mathrm{CH})(18)$ |
| 4 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})$ | 1595 | 1602 | 1593 | 5.698 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(74), \beta(\mathrm{CH})(11), \beta(\mathrm{CCC})(10)$ |
| 5 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})$ | 1577 | 1584 | 1576 | 4.593 | $\nu(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(75), \beta(\mathrm{CH})(14)$ |


| 6 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})$ | 1485 | 1497 | 1491 | 3.592 | $\nu(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(47), \beta(\mathrm{CH})(36), \beta(\mathrm{CCC})(14)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})$ | 1440 | 1437 | 1432 | 1.642 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(85), \beta(\mathrm{CCC})(8)$ |
| 8 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})$ | 1398 | 1415 | 1408 | 0.033 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(64), \beta(\mathrm{CH})(33)$ |
| 9 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})$ | 1359 | 1363 | 1355 | 43.623 | $\nu(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(58), \beta(\mathrm{CH})(21), \beta(\mathrm{CCC})(14)$ |
| 10 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})$ | 1339 | 1345 | 1354 | 36.539 | $\nu(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(60), \beta(\mathrm{CH})(22), \beta(\mathrm{CCC})(12)$ |
| 11 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})$ | 1287 | 1296 | 1298 | 12.873 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(74), \beta(\mathrm{CH})(22)$ |
| 12 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})$ | 1478 | 1495 | 1480 | 0.652 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(49), \beta(\mathrm{CH})(29), \beta(\mathrm{CCC})(15)$ |
| 13 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})$ | 1422 | 1428 | 1412 | 6.950 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(76), \beta(\mathrm{CH})(22)$ |
| 14 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})$ | 1523 | 1532 | 1519 | 3.592 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(78), \beta(\mathrm{CH})(20)$ |
| 15 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})$ | 962 | 965 | 959 | 0.001 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(43), \beta(\mathrm{CH})(22), \beta(\mathrm{CCC})(17)$ |
| 16 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})$ | 920 | 935 | 933 | 0.082 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(51), \beta(\mathrm{CH})(20), \beta(\mathrm{CCC})(19)$ |
| 17 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{Cl})$ | - | 418 | 425 | 2.873 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{Cl})(34), v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(33), \beta(\mathrm{CCC})(17)$ |
| 18 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H})$ | 3015 | 3181 | 3017 | 1.737 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H})(99)$ |
| 19 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H})$ | 3023 | 3183 | 3020 | 0.026 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H})(99)$ |
| 20 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H})$ | 3027 | 3185 | 3022 | 8.292 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H})(98)$ |
| 21 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H})$ | 3032 | 3195 | 3031 | 3.715 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H})(99)$ |
| 22 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H})$ | 3035 | 3195 | 3032 | 51.141 | $\nu(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H})(100)$ |
| 23 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H})$ | 3046 | 3209 | 3045 | 78.093 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H})(99)$ |
| 24 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H})$ | 3048 | 3210 | 3046 | 18.348 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H})(98)$ |
| 25 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H})$ | 3063 | 3236 | 3070 | 17.348 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H})(99)$ |
| 26 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H})$ | 3067 | 3237 | 3071 | 5.656 | $v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H})(100)$ |
| 27 | $\beta(\mathrm{CCC})$ | 675 | 681 | 681 | 2.571 | $\beta(\mathrm{CCC})(65), v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(25)$ |
| 28 | $\beta(\mathrm{CCC})$ | 647 | 654 | 653 | 5.442 | $\beta(\mathrm{CCC})(85), \mathrm{v}(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(11)$ |
| 29 | $\beta(\mathrm{CCC})$ | - | 642 | 630 | 11.621 | $\beta(\mathrm{CCC})(68), v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(19)$ |
| 30 | $\beta(\mathrm{CCC})$ | 618 | 620 | 613 | 10.662 | $\beta(\mathrm{CCC})(83), v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(12)$ |
| 31 | $\beta(\mathrm{CCC})$ | - | 510 | 505 | 9.213 | $\beta(\mathrm{CCC})(66), v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{Cl})(18), v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(10)$ |
| 32 | $\beta(\mathrm{CCC})$ | 560 | 564 | 548 | 0.307 | $\beta(\mathrm{CCC})(75), \beta(\mathrm{CCl})(15)$ |
| 33 | $\beta(\mathrm{CCC})$ | 414 | 418 | 407 | 0.054 | $\beta(\mathrm{CCC})(75), v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(13)$ |
| 34 | $\beta(\mathrm{CCC})$ | 392 | 389 | 389 | 0.044 | $\beta(\mathrm{CCC})(59), v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(28)$ |
| 35 | $\beta(\mathrm{CCC})$ | - | 234 | 230 | 3.847 | $\beta(\mathrm{CCC})(64), v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(25)$ |
| 36 | $\beta(\mathrm{CCl})$ | - | 239 | 234 | 0.330 | $\beta(\mathrm{CCl})(80), \beta(\mathrm{CCC})(11)$ |
| 37 | $\beta$ (CH) | 1041 | 1049 | 1044 | 1.982 | $\beta(\mathrm{CH})(49), v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(49)$ |
| 38 | $\beta$ (CH) | 1135 | 1137 | 1134 | 9.957 | $\beta(\mathrm{CH})(59), v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(39)$ |
| 39 | $\beta(\mathrm{CH})$ | - | 1050 | 1045 | 2.107 | $\beta(\mathrm{CH})(51), v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(45)$ |
| 40 | $\beta(\mathrm{CH})$ | 1307 | 1304 | 1301 | 26.846 | $\beta(\mathrm{CH})(53), \beta(\mathrm{CCC})(28), v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(17)$ |
| 41 | $\beta(\mathrm{CH})$ | 1265 | 1262 | 1252 | 0.959 | $\beta(\mathrm{CH})(46), v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(45)$ |
| 42 | $\beta$ (CH) | 1214 | 1217 | 1206 | 0.577 | $\beta(\mathrm{CH})(62), v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(31)$ |
| 43 | $\beta(\mathrm{CH})$ | 1206 | 1207 | 1193 | 0.594 | $\beta(\mathrm{CH})(81), v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(14)$ |
| 44 | $\beta(\mathrm{CH})$ | 1178 | 1183 | 1170 | 0.919 | $\beta(\mathrm{CH})(64), v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(34)$ |
| 45 | $\beta(\mathrm{CH})$ | 1185 | 1187 | 1180 | 1.756 | $\beta(\mathrm{CH})(74), v(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})(19)$ |
| 46 | $\pi(\mathrm{CH})$ | - | 962 | 958 | 0.035 | $\pi(\mathrm{CH})(87), \tau(\mathrm{CCCC})(11)$ |
| 47 | $\pi(\mathrm{CH})$ | 939 | 943 | 935 | 4.265 | $\pi(\mathrm{CH})(91)$ |
| 48 | $\pi(\mathrm{CH})$ | 887 | 907 | 885 | 20.956 | $\pi(\mathrm{CH})(63), \tau(\mathrm{CCCC})(31)$ |
| 49 | $\pi(\mathrm{CH})$ | 870 | 872 | 862 | 0.012 | $\pi(\mathrm{CH})(93)$ |
| 50 | $\pi(\mathrm{CH})$ | 852 | 860 | 846 | 16.292 | $\pi(\mathrm{CH})(87), \tau(\mathrm{CCCC})(12)$ |
| 51 | $\pi(\mathrm{CH})$ | - | 864 | 850 | 0.017 | $\pi(\mathrm{CH})(77), \tau(\mathrm{CCCC})(15)$ |
| 52 | $\pi(\mathrm{CH})$ | 839 | 837 | 838 | 29.905 | $\pi(\mathrm{CH})(78), \tau(\mathrm{CCCC})(11)$ |
| 53 | $\pi(\mathrm{CH})$ | 751 | 753 | 735 | 100.0 | $\pi(\mathrm{CH})(91)$ |
| 54 | $\pi(\mathrm{CH})$ | 754 | 753 | 753 | 0.001 | $\pi(\mathrm{CH})(91)$ |
| 55 | $\pi(\mathrm{CCl})$ | - | 131 | 126 | 0.268 | $\pi(\mathrm{CCl})(29)$, Butterfly(29), $\tau(\mathrm{CCCC})(18)$ |
| 56 | $\tau(\mathrm{CCCC})$ | 796 | 790 | 794 | 7.713 | $\tau(\mathrm{CCCC})(67) \pi(\mathrm{CH})(26)$ |
| 57 | $\tau(\mathrm{CCCC})$ | 773 | 775 | 764 | 0.025 | $\tau(\mathrm{CCCC})(72), \pi(\mathrm{CH})(18)$ |
| 58 | $\tau(\mathrm{CCCC})$ | 597 | 599 | 602 | 0.729 | $\tau(\mathrm{CCCC})(66), \pi(\mathrm{CH})(17), \pi(\mathrm{CCl})(11)$ |
| 59 | $\tau(\mathrm{CCCC})$ | 538 | 554 | 538 | 1.451 | $\tau(\mathrm{CCCC})(43)$, Butterfly $(28), \pi(\mathrm{CCl})(20)$ |
| 60 | $\tau(\mathrm{CCCC})$ | 495 | 506 | 496 | 0.064 | $\tau(\mathrm{CCCC})(83), \pi(\mathrm{CH})(17)$ |
| 61 | $\tau(\mathrm{CCCC})$ | 474 | 486 | 475 | 0.014 | $\tau(\mathrm{CCCC})(51)$, Butterfly $(30), \pi(\mathrm{CH})(18)$ |
| 62 | $\tau(\mathrm{CCCC})$ | 400 | 403 | 398 | 2.709 | $\tau(\mathrm{CCCC})(72), \pi(\mathrm{CH})(17)$ |
| 63 | $\tau(\mathrm{CCCC})$ | - | 299 | 290 | 0.044 | $\tau(\mathrm{CCCC})(74), \pi(\mathrm{CCl})(13)$ |
| 64 | $\tau(\mathrm{CCCC})$ | - | 117 | 114 | 0.005 | $\tau($ CCCC $)(90)$ |
| 65 | Butterfly | - | 237 | 233 | 0.001 | $\tau(\mathrm{CCCC})(44)$, Butterfly $(33)$, $\tau(\mathrm{CH})(20)$ |
| 66 | Butterfly | - | 80 | 79 | 1.176 | Butterfly(40), $\tau(\mathrm{CCCC})(28), \pi(\mathrm{CH})(16)$ |

[^1]ying the equation given below, in sequence to get the goodness of fit.
$$
\mathrm{rms}=\sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{n-1}\right) \sum_{\mathrm{i}=1}^{\mathrm{n}}\left[\left(v_{\mathrm{i}}\right)^{\text {cal }}-\left(v_{\mathrm{i}}\right)^{\exp }\right]^{2}}
$$
where, $\left(v_{i}\right)^{\text {cal }}$ is the $\mathrm{i}^{\text {th }}$ calculated frequency, $\left(v_{i}\right)^{\text {exp }}$ is the $\mathrm{i}^{\text {th }}$ experimental frequency and ' $n$ ' is the number of experimental frequencies.

The rms error between unscaled frequencies and observed frequencies obtained with DFT/B3LYP/6-311++G(d,p) basis set for 9 -chloroanthracene was found as $52.3 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$. On using the refined scaling factors obtained from least-squares optimization technique, this deviation was reduced to $8.48 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$. The theoretically FT-IR spectra are more well-ordered than the observed ones, since as many vibrations giving in gas phase leads to well built perturbation of infrared intensities of many other modes. For a visual analogy, the experimental and simulated FT-IR spectrum of 9-chloroanthracene is presented in Fig. 2.

Vibrational assignments: All the in-plane and out-ofplane vibrational assignments were made by mentioning to potential energy distribution (PED), Eigen vectors obtained in the computations. The results presented in Table-4 are selfexplanatory.

Vibrations of anthracene ring: In 9-chloroanthracene, sixteen C-C stretching vibrations belongs to anthracene ring. The sixteen observed frequencies at $1660,1649,1621,1595$, $1577,1523,1485,1478,1440,1422,1398,1359,1339,1287$, 962 and $920 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$, respectively could be identified from the spectra of IR. IR spectrum shows two strong bands at 1621 and $1440 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$. The observed frequencies are well comparable with the calculated frequencies at $1665,1648,1624,1593$, $1576,1519,1491,1480,1432,1412,1408,1355,1354,1298$, 959 and $933 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$, respectively. These vibrations are well accord with literature values [26].

In general, the absorption around $3100-3000 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ corresponds to the $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}$ stretching vibrations. In the 9 -chloroanthracene nine C-H stretching vibrations are observed. These vibrational modes are pure do not mix with any other vibrations having PED in the extent 99-100 \%. Hence the bands observed at 3067, 3063, 3048, 3046, 3035, 3032, 3027, 3023 and 3015 $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$, respectively are identified and assigned as $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}$ stretching modes. They are well agreeable with the theoretical values at $3071,3070,3046,3045,3032,3031,3022,3020$ and 3017 $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$, respectively. The results are shown in Table-4. The bond observed in the range $1300-1020 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ corresponds to $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}$ in-plane bending modes of benzene and its derivatives. The compound 9 -chloroanthracene have nine $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}$ in-plane bending vibrations, are calculated at $1301,1252,1206,1193,1180$, $1170,1134,1045$ and $1044 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$. These are well comparable and assigned to the observed frequencies at $1307,1265,1214$, $1206,1185,1178,1135$ and $1041 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$, respectively.

9-Chloroanthracene has nine ring in-plane bending vibrations which are substituent sensitive modes those falls in the spectral region of $681-230 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$. Theoretically these modes are calculated at $681,653,630,613,505,548,407,389$ and $230 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$, respectively. Experimentally these modes are obtained in the range $675-392 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ with a considerable extent of potential energy distribution. These bending vibrations are well agree-
ment with bands obtained in FT-IR spectrum and literature values [27,28] predicted in Table-4.

The nine CH out-of-plane bending vibrations of anthracene ring in 9 -chloroanthracene are computed at 958, 935, $885,862,850,846,838,753,735 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$, respectively from the PED distribution as a dominating contribution. Experimentally the modes are predicted at $939,887,870,852,839$ and 751 $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$, respectively, out of which two are strong in IR absorption spectrum. The two frequencies, which are not observed could be predicted as 958 and $850 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$.

In 9-chloroanthracene, nine ring torsions belong to anthracene ring are computed at $794,764,602,538,496,475$, $398,290,114 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$. The ring torsion vibrations are obtained in the spectral range 796-400 $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ in the FT-IT spectrum of the titled compound based on the PED obtained in DFT computations. The two butterfly vibrational characters of the anthracene ring of 9-chloroanthracene are calculated at 233 and $79 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ in the present work. The vibrational assignments made in the present calculations corresponding to anthracene ring of 9chloroanthracene are in good agreement with literature for the related molecules [28-31].
$\mathbf{C}-\mathbf{C l}$ vibrations: The chlorine group of 9-chloroanthracene has three vibrations out of which two are in-plane vibrations and one out of plane vibration. The band near 234 and $425 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ are computed as $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{Cl}$ stretching and $\beta \mathrm{CCl}$ in-plane bending vibrations with 34 and $80 \%$ maximum PED character. The out-of-plane vibration $\pi \mathrm{CCl}$ is calculated at $126 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ with 29 \% of PED in the molecule under investigation using DFT studies, which fundamentals are well accord with literature values [32,33].


Fig. 2. (a) Experimental (b) simulated FT-IR spectra of 9-chloroanthracene

Frontier molecular orbitals: The chemical reactivity and kinetic stability of 9-chloroanthracene was distinguished with the assist of the frontier molecular orbital gap. A molecule with a lower frontier orbital gap is generally related to chemical reactivity and low kinetic stability $[34,35]$. The LUMO is an electron acceptor and HOMO is an electron donor. The frontier molecular orbitals gap is predicted the HOMO and LUMO orbital energies, the ionization energy (I), electron affinity (A),
global hardness $(\eta)$, chemical potential $(\mu)$ and global electrophilicity power $(\omega)[36,37]$ of a molecule can be calculated as:

$$
\begin{gathered}
\mathrm{I}=-\mathrm{E}_{\text {Номо }} ; \mathrm{A}=-\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{LUMO}} ; \eta=\left(-\mathrm{E}_{\text {Номо }}+\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{LUMO}}\right) / 2 ; \\
\mu=\left(\mathrm{E}_{\text {Номо }}+\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{LUMO}}\right) / 2 ; \text { and } \omega=\mu^{2} / 2 \eta .
\end{gathered}
$$

The frontier molecular orbital and its parameters of 9-chloroanthracene are represented in Fig. 3 and Table-5. The calculated energy value of HOMO and LUMO energies of 9-chloroanthracene is -5.80012 and -2.35002 eV in the gas phase. The energy gap of the molecule under study is +3.45010 eV . The frontier energy gap of 9 -chloroanthracene is very small posses negative chemical potential, which characters represents that the compound under study is stable and polarizable.


$$
\mathrm{E}_{\text {LUMO }}=-2.35002 \mathrm{eV}
$$

$\Delta \mathrm{E}=3.45040 \mathrm{eV}$


Fig. 3. Atomic orbital components of the Frontier molecular orbital of 9-chloroanthracene

| TABLE-5 |  |
| :--- | :---: |
| FRONTIER MOLECULAR ORBITAL |  |
| PARAMETERS OF 9-CHLOROANTHRACENE |  |

NLO properties: Density functional theory is an important tool to investigate the NLO properties of the organic and Inorganic compounds. The NLO property can be understood with the help of quantum chemical calculations [38,39]. The reaction of a compound in the applied field was described by the polarizability $(\alpha)$, total dipolemoment $\left(\mu_{\mathrm{t}}\right)$ and hyperpolarizability ( $\beta$ ) [40].

The electronic moments of a molecular system playa keyrole in structural chemistry. When a molecule with changeless electric dipole moment $\mu_{e}(0)$ interacts with an external constant electrostatic field E , the change in the dipole moment $\mu_{\mathrm{t}}$ can be represented in tensor notation as:

The first order hyperpolarizability is a third rank tensor, which has 27 components, characterized by a $3 \times 3 \times 3$ matrix. These 27 components get diminished to 10 components due to Klienman symmetry [41], which are shown as $\beta_{\mathrm{xxx}}, \beta_{\mathrm{xxy}}$, $\beta_{x y y}, \beta_{y y y}, \beta_{x x z}, \beta_{x y z}, \beta_{y y z}, \beta_{x z z}, \beta_{y z z}$ and $\beta_{z z z}$. They can be resolved using the following equation [42].

$$
\beta_{\mathrm{i}}=\beta_{\mathrm{iii}}+(1 / 3) \Sigma_{\mathrm{i} \neq \mathrm{j}}\left(\beta_{\mathrm{ijj}}+\beta_{\mathrm{ijj}}+\beta_{\mathrm{iji}}\right)
$$

The isotropic linear polarizability $\left(\alpha_{t}\right)$, the anisotropy of polarizability $(\Delta \alpha)$, the mean first order hyperpolarizability $\left(\beta_{\mathrm{t}}\right)$ and total static dipole moment ( $\mu_{\mathrm{t}}$ ) using the $\mathrm{x}, \mathrm{y}, \mathrm{z}$ components are determined as:

$$
\begin{gathered}
\alpha_{\mathrm{t}}=\left(\alpha_{x x}+\alpha_{y y}+\alpha_{z z} / 3\right. \\
\Delta \alpha=2^{-1 / 2}\left[\left(\alpha_{x x}-\alpha_{y y}\right)^{2}+\left(\alpha_{y y}-\alpha_{z z}\right)^{2}+\left(\alpha_{z z}-\alpha_{x x}\right)^{2}+6 \alpha_{x x}^{2}\right]^{1 / 2} \\
\beta_{\mathrm{t}}=\left(\beta_{\mathrm{x}}^{2}+\beta_{\mathrm{y}}^{2}+\beta_{z}^{2}\right)^{1 / 2} \\
\mu_{\mathrm{t}}=\left(\mu_{\mathrm{x}}^{2}+\mu_{\mathrm{y}}^{2}+\mu_{\mathrm{z}}^{2}\right)^{1 / 2}
\end{gathered}
$$

Hence, these properties like dipole moment $\left(\mu_{t}\right)$, polarizability $(\alpha)$ and first orderhyper polarizability $(\beta)$ of the molecular system was calculated theoretically by DFT/B3LYP/6$311++G(d, p)$ method. The calculated values were tabulated in Table-6.

TABLE-6
VALUES OF DIPOLE MOMENT ( $\mu$, Debye) AND FIRST ORDER HYPERPOLARIZABILITY ( $\beta_{\mathrm{t}}, 10^{-30} \mathrm{~cm}^{5} /$ e.s.u) OF 9-CHLOROANTHRACENE

| Type of <br> component | 9-Chloro- <br> anthracene | Type of <br> component | 9-Chloro- <br> anthracene |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\beta_{\mathrm{xxx}}$ | -0.0334329 | $\mu_{\mathrm{x}}$ | -0.0001 |
| $\beta_{\mathrm{xxy}}$ | -7.7628773 | $\mu_{\mathrm{v}}$ | -1.7181 |
| $\beta_{\mathrm{xyv}}$ | -0.0179101 | $\mu_{\mathrm{z}}$ | 0.000000 |
| $\beta_{\mathrm{yyy}}$ | -213.7890413 | $\mu_{\mathrm{t}}$ | 1.71730 |
| $\beta_{\mathrm{xxz}}$ | 0.000000 | $\alpha_{\mathrm{xx}}$ | 272.650291 |
| $\beta_{\mathrm{xyz}}$ | 0.000000 | $\alpha_{\mathrm{xy}}$ | 0.0015014 |
| $\beta_{\mathrm{yyz}}$ | 0.000000 | $\alpha_{\mathrm{yy}}$ | 175.7401699 |
| $\beta_{\mathrm{xzz}}$ | 0.0002168 | $\alpha_{\mathrm{xz}}$ | 0.000000 |
| $\beta_{\mathrm{yzz}}$ | 1.4034897 | $\alpha_{\mathrm{yz}}$ | 0.000000 |
| $\beta_{\mathrm{zzz}}$ | 0.000000 | $\alpha_{\mathrm{zz}}$ | 49.2952288 |
| $\beta_{\mathrm{t}}$ | 220.13 au (or) | $\alpha_{\mathrm{t}}$ | 107.31533 |
|  | $1.901 \times 10^{-30} \mathrm{esu}$ | $\Delta \alpha$ | 193.98947 |

We compared these results with urea, which is a prototypical material and used as a reference compound for comparative purposes. Generally these calculated values are in atomic units (a.u), so we have been converted into electrostatic units (esu) $\left(\alpha: 1\right.$ a.u. $=0.1482 \times 10^{-24} \mathrm{esu}, \beta: 1$ a.u. $\left.=8.6393 \times 10^{-33} \mathrm{esu}\right)$. The mean first order hyperpolarizability $\left(\beta_{\mathrm{t}}\right) 0.3728 \times 10^{-30} \mathrm{~cm}^{5} /$
esu and the total molecular dipole moment $\left(\mu_{\mathrm{t}}\right)$ 1.3732 Debye of urea are used frequently as threshold values for the purpose of comparison. The total molecular dipole moment of the investigated compound was 1.71730 Debye and polarizability $(\alpha)$ was 107.31533 a.u. Further, the first order hyper polarizability ( $\beta_{\mathrm{tot}}$ ) was $1.901 \times 10^{-30} \mathrm{~cm}^{5} / \mathrm{esu}$ it is greater than the threshold value of urea, which reveals that the compound 9chloroanthracene may be treated as better NLO applications.

Molecular electrostatic potential (MEP): MEP investigation gives information about the electrophilic and nucleophilic sites in a reaction and also shows that the hydrogen bonding interactions. The molecular electrostatic potential $\mathrm{V}(\mathrm{r})$ is mainly related to the electron density in a molecule. In order to know the MEP values in a molecule the following expression is used:

$$
\mathrm{V}(\mathrm{r})=\sum_{\mathrm{A}} \frac{\mathrm{Z}_{\mathrm{A}}}{\left|\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{A}}-\mathrm{r}\right|}-\int \frac{\rho\left(\mathrm{r}^{\prime}\right)}{\left|\mathrm{r}^{\prime}-\mathrm{r}\right|^{\prime}} \mathrm{dr}^{\prime}
$$

Here, N represents the total number of nuclei, $\mathrm{Z}_{\mathrm{A}}$ represents the charge of the nucleus placed at $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{A}}, \rho\left(\mathrm{r}^{\prime}\right)$ represents electron density function of the molecule and $r^{\prime}$ is the dummy integration variable. The net resultant electrostatic effect $\mathrm{V}(\mathrm{r})$ is produced at the point r , by both the electrons and nuclei of the molecule, which can be determined either computationally or experimentally by diffraction methods [43-45].

Further to know the positive, negative and neutral electrostatic potential areas of the molecule under studied, MEP was calculated by using DFT. The MEP mapping of the investigated compound represented in the Fig. 4. The various values of electrostatic potential are represented by different colours; i.e. green, red, blue and yellow. These colours represent the region of zero potential, the maximum negative regions of electrostatic potential, positive electrostatic potential and slight electron negative. Potential increase in the order red $<$ yellow $<$ green $<$ blue [46,47]. Any region at there has no electrostatic potential and it would be represented by green colour. The various regions at the surface of the molecule, which denotes electrophilic and nucleophilic regions are shown in red and blue colour respectively. The MEP of 9-chloroanthracene was shown in Fig. 4 observed that the region around aromatic carbon atoms of anthracene ring has a negative electrostatic potential region and the region around the Cl atom has positive electrostatic potential. Which convey that negative potential region is electrophilic and positive region potential region is nucleophilic for 9-chloroanthracene.


Fig. 4. B3LYP/6-311++G(d,p) calculated molecular electrostatic potential map of 9-chloroanthracene

Natural bond orbital analysis (NBO): The NBO investigation is an excellent tool for determining intra/inters molecular bonding and interactions with in the molecule. It gives useful information about interactions in both filled and virtual orbital spaces [48]. It is also valuable for determining the chemical interpretation of hyper conjugative interactions and electron density transfer from filled lone pair orbital of one subsystem and vacant orbital of another subsystem. The second order fock matrix has used to predict the interactions between the donor and acceptor orbitals in NBO investigation. For each donor (i) and acceptor (j), the stabilization energy $\mathrm{E}^{(2)}$ associated with the delocalization $\mathrm{i} \rightarrow \mathrm{j}$ is estimated $[49,50]$ as:

$$
\mathrm{E}(2)=-\mathrm{n}_{\sigma} \frac{\langle\sigma| \mathrm{F}|\sigma\rangle^{2}}{\varepsilon_{\sigma}^{*}-\varepsilon_{\sigma}}-\mathrm{n}_{\sigma} \frac{\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{ij}}^{2}}{\Delta \mathrm{E}}
$$

where, $\varepsilon_{\sigma}{ }^{*}$ and $\varepsilon_{\sigma}$ are the energies of $\sigma$ and $\sigma^{*}$ NBOs, $\mathrm{n}_{\sigma}$ is the population of donor $\sigma$ orbital and $\langle\sigma| F|\sigma\rangle^{2}$ is the Fock matrix element i and j NBO orbitals.

In this article, we have investigated the important electron donor orbital and electron acceptor orbital and the corresponding interacting stabilizing energies of 9-chloroanthracene. The NBO analysis was carried out to the molecular system by DFT/B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) method and the results are presented in Table-7. The interaction between $\pi(\mathrm{C} 12-\mathrm{C} 13)$ with antibonding $\pi^{*}(\mathrm{C} 6-\mathrm{C} 7)$ is very much strong with the stabilization energy $228.11 \mathrm{~kJ} / \mathrm{mol}$, which also shows the strongest conju-

TABLE-7
SECOND ORDER PERTURBATION THEORY ANALYSIS OF FOCK MATRIX IN NBO BASIS FOR 9-CHLOROANTHRACENE

| Donor(i) | Type | Ed/e | Acceptor(j) | Type | Ed/e | $\mathrm{E}(2)^{\mathrm{a}}$ | $\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{i})-\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{j})^{\mathrm{b}}$ | $\mathrm{f}(\mathrm{I}, \mathrm{j})^{\mathrm{c}}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C1-C2 | $\sigma$ | 1.98172 | C13-C14 | $\sigma^{*}$ | 1.97589 | 2.87 | 1.28 | 0.054 |
| C1-C2 | $\pi$ | 1.77066 | C3-C4 | $\pi^{*}$ | 1.77607 | 16.29 | 0.30 | 0.069 |
|  | $\pi$ |  | C5-C14 | $\pi^{*}$ | 1.50280 | 14.51 | 0.29 | 0.062 |
| C1-C14 | $\sigma$ | 1.97269 | C1-C2 | $\sigma^{*}$ | 1.98172 | 2.58 | 1.30 | 0.052 |
|  | $\sigma$ |  | C2-H16 | $\sigma^{*}$ | 1.98211 | 2.66 | 1.12 | 0.049 |
|  | $\sigma$ |  | C5-C14 | $\sigma^{*}$ | 1.95821 | 3.22 | 1.21 | 0.056 |
|  | $\sigma$ |  | C13-C14 | $\sigma^{*}$ | 1.97589 | 3.46 | 1.24 | 0.058 |
| C1-H15 | $\sigma$ | 1.98011 | C2-C3 | $\sigma^{*}$ | 1.97934 | 4.07 | 1.05 | 0.058 |
|  | $\sigma$ |  | C5-C14 | $\sigma^{*}$ | 1.95821 | 4.12 | 1.06 | 0.059 |
| C2-C3 | $\sigma$ | 1.97934 | C4-H18 | $\sigma^{*}$ | 1.98075 | 2.91 | 1.12 | 0.051 |
| C2-H16 | $\sigma$ | 1.98211 | C1-C14 | $\sigma^{*}$ | 1.97269 | 4.40 | 1.05 | 0.061 |
|  | $\sigma$ |  | C3-C4 | $\sigma^{*}$ | 1.98200 | 3.19 | 1.14 | 0.033 |


| C3-C4 | $\sigma$ | 1.98200 | C4-C5 | $\sigma^{*}$ | 1.97363 | 2.72 | 1.25 | 0.052 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C3-C4 | $\pi$ | 1.77607 | C1-C2 | $\pi^{*}$ | 1.77066 | 15.92 | 0.30 | 0.062 |
|  | $\pi$ |  | C5-C14 | $\pi^{*}$ | 1.50280 | 14.55 | 0.29 | 0.063 |
| C3-H17 | $\sigma$ | 1.98226 | C4-C5 | $\sigma^{*}$ | 1.97363 | 4.31 | 1.05 | 0.060 |
| C4-C5 | $\sigma$ | 1.97363 | C5-C6 | $\sigma^{*}$ | 1.97565 | 3.19 | 1.25 | 0.056 |
|  | $\sigma$ |  | C5-C14 | $\sigma^{*}$ | 1.95821 | 3.06 | 1.21 | 0.054 |
| C4-H18 | $\sigma$ | 1.98075 | C2-C3 | $\sigma^{*}$ | 1.97934 | 4.02 | 1.06 | 0.058 |
|  | $\sigma$ |  | C5-C14 | $\sigma^{*}$ | 1.95821 | 4.19 | 1.06 | 0.060 |
| C5-C6 | $\sigma$ | 1.97565 | C4-C5 | $\sigma^{*}$ | 1.97363 | 3.16 | 1.23 | 0.056 |
|  | $\sigma$ |  | C5-C14 | $\sigma^{*}$ | 1.95821 | 3.51 | 1.24 | 0.059 |
| C5-C14 | $\sigma$ | 1.95821 | C13-C14 | $\sigma^{*}$ | 1.97589 | 4.01 | 1.24 | 0.063 |
|  | $\sigma$ |  | C13-C114 | $\sigma^{*}$ | 1.98877 | 4.70 | 0.81 | 0.055 |
| C5-C14 | $\pi$ | 1.50280 | C1-C2 | $\pi^{*}$ | 1.77066 | 14.26 | 0.28 | 0.061 |
|  | $\pi$ |  | C3-C4 | $\pi^{*}$ | 1.77607 | 14.07 | 0.28 | 0.061 |
|  | $\pi$ |  | C6-C7 | $\pi^{*}$ | 1.61906 | 18.53 | 0.27 | 0.066 |
|  | $\pi$ |  | C12-C13 | $\pi^{*}$ | 1.64593 | 19.99 | 0.26 | 0.065 |
| C6-C7 | $\sigma$ | 1.97565 | C7-C12 | $\sigma^{*}$ | 1.95821 | 3.52 | 1.24 | 0.059 |
| C6-C7 | $\pi$ | 1.61906 | C5-C14 | $\pi^{*}$ | 1.50280 | 19.76 | 0.28 | 0.068 |
|  | $\pi$ |  | C8-C9 | $\pi^{*}$ | 1.77607 | 17.68 | 0.29 | 0.067 |
|  | $\pi$ |  | C12-C13 | $\pi^{*}$ | 1.97588 | 19.87 | 0.27 | 0.066 |
| C6-H19 | $\sigma$ | 1.98040 | C5-C14 | $\sigma^{*}$ | 1.95821 | 4.51 | 1.06 | 0.062 |
| C7-C8 | $\sigma$ | 1.97363 | C6-C7 | $\sigma^{*}$ | 1.97565 | 3.19 | 1.25 | 0.044 |
| C7-C12 | $\sigma$ | 1.95821 | C12-C13 | $\sigma^{*}$ | 1.97588 | 4.01 | 1.24 | 0.063 |
|  | $\sigma$ |  | C13-C124 | $\sigma^{*}$ | 1.98877 | 4.70 | 0.81 | 0.055 |
| C8-C9 | $\pi$ | 1.77607 | C6-C7 | $\pi^{*}$ | 1.61906 | 16.74 | 0.29 | 0.065 |
|  | $\pi$ |  | C10-C11 | $\pi^{*}$ | 1.98172 | 15.92 | 0.30 | 0.062 |
| C10-C11 | $\pi$ | 1.77066 | C8-C9 | $\pi^{*}$ | 1.77607 | 16.29 | 0.30 | 0.063 |
|  | $\pi$ |  | C12-C13 | $\pi^{*}$ | 1.64593 | 18.30 | 0.28 | 0.067 |
| C12-C13 | $\pi$ | 1.64593 | C5-C14 | $\pi^{*}$ | 1.50280 | 18.99 | 0.29 | 0.070 |
|  | $\pi$ |  | C6-C7 | $\pi^{*}$ | 1.61906 | 16.07 | 0.030 | 0.062 |
|  | $\pi$ |  | C10-C11 | $\pi^{*}$ | 1.77066 | 15.42 | 0.031 | 0.064 |
| C5-C14 | $\pi$ | 1.50280 | C1-C2 | $\pi^{*}$ | 1.77066 | 180.52 | 0.01 | 0.076 |
|  | $\pi$ |  | C3-C4 | $\pi^{*}$ | 1.77607 | 212.96 | 0.01 | 0.076 |
| C12-C13 | $\pi$ |  | C6-C7 | $\pi^{*}$ | 1.61906 | 228.11 | 0.01 | 0.080 |

${ }^{\mathrm{a}} \mathrm{E}(2)$ means energy of hyper conjugative interaction(stabilization energy); ${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ Energy difference between donor and acceptor i and j NBO orbitals; $\left.{ }^{\mathrm{c}} \mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{i}, \mathrm{j}}\right)$ is the Fock matrix element between i and j NBO orbitals.
gation energy within the molecule. A strong interaction is observed between $\pi$ (C5-C14) and the antibonding with $\pi^{*}(\mathrm{C} 1-$ $\mathrm{C} 2)$ and $\pi^{*}(\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{C} 4)$ with a strong delocalization energy 180.52 $\mathrm{kJ} / \mathrm{mol}$ and $212.96 \mathrm{~kJ} / \mathrm{mol}$, respectively. The interaction between $\sigma$ (C1-C14) with antibonding $\sigma^{*}$ (C1-C2) and (C2H16) has the delocalization energy 2.58 and $2.66 \mathrm{~kJ} / \mathrm{mol}$ respectively which shows the lowest stabilization energy within the molecule. A moderate interaction is observed between $\pi$ C5-C14 to the antibonding $\pi^{*}$ (C1-C2), $\pi^{*}$ (C3-C4), $\pi^{*}$ (C6$\mathrm{C} 7)$ and $\pi^{*}(\mathrm{C} 12-\mathrm{C} 13)$ with a hyper conjugation energy 14.26 , $14.07,18.53$ and $19.99 \mathrm{~kJ} / \mathrm{mol}$, respectively.

Thermodynamic parameters: The standard thermodynamic functions such as SCF energy, zero-point energy ( $\mathrm{E}_{0}$ ), rotational constants ( $A, B$ and $C$ ), vibrational energy ( $\mathrm{E}_{\text {vib }}$ ), specific heat capacity at constant volume $\left(\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{v}}\right)$ and entropy $(\mathrm{S})$ are calculated employing rigid rotor harmonic oscillator estimation using standard expressions $[51,52]$ and with DFT using B3LYP/6-311++G(d,p) level of theory, reported in Table8. The rotational constants $\mathrm{A}, \mathrm{B}$ and C are calculated as 0.96181 , 0.45037 and 0.30674 GHz .

Molecular docking studies: The proteins tyrosinase and HER2 are good-looking targets for the evaluation of anticancer agents [53]. They also play a crucial role in the growth of ductal system of the mammary glands [54]. The 3D crystal structure of protein receptors weretaken from RCSB Protein Data Bank with PDBID: 3PP0, 3NM8 for HER2 and tyrosinase, respec-

TABLE-8
THERMODYNAMIC PARAMETERS AND ROTATIONAL CONSTANTS OF 9-CHLOROANTHRACENE

| Thermodynamic parameter | 9 - Chloro- <br> anthracene |
| :--- | :---: |
| SCF energy $($ Hartree $)$ | -999.280203 |
| Total energy (thermal) $\left(\mathrm{E}_{\text {toal }}, \mathrm{Kcal} \mathrm{mol}^{-1}\right)$ | 122.132 |
| Heat capacity at const. Volume $\left(\mathrm{c}_{\mathrm{v}}, \mathrm{cal} \mathrm{mol}^{-1} \mathrm{k}^{-1}\right)$ | 44.603 |
| Entropy $\left(\mathrm{S}\right.$, cal $\left.\mathrm{mol}^{-1} \mathrm{k}^{-1}\right)$ | 101.962 |
| Vibrational energy $\left(\mathrm{E}_{\text {vib }}\right.$, , $\left.\mathrm{kcal} \mathrm{mol}^{-1}\right)$ | 120.355 |
| Zero-point vibrational energy $\left(\mathrm{E}_{0}, \mathrm{kcal} \mathrm{mol}^{-1}\right)$ | 115.39742 |
| Rotational constants $(\mathrm{GHz})$ |  |
| $\quad \mathrm{A}$ | 0.96181 |
| B | 0.45037 |
| C | 0.30674 |

tively. The water molecules are eliminated using the UCSF chimera 1.10 .1 software. The docking process was executed in between rigid protein receptor and 9 -chloroanthracene. Employing ADT program gasteiger, Non-polar hydrogens and torsions degrees of freedom were assigned. The hydrogen bonding interactions between donor and acceptor atoms was fixed to be $1.9 \AA$. The energy calculations were performed by genetic algorithms [55,56]. A cubic gridbox was also built with dimensions of $60 \times 60 \times 60 \AA^{3}$ on the receptor HER2 and tyrosinase with the aid of AutoDock Tools 1.5.6 program with grid point spacing of $0.3750 \AA$. The output of the docking
studies of 9-chloroanthracene including binding energies of receptor-ligand complex is illustrated in Table-9 and Fig. 5.

## TABLE-9

BINDING ENERGIES OF COMPOUND 9-CHLOROANTHRACENE AGAINST IDO1 RECEPTOR (PDB ID: 3PP0, 3NM8)

| Compound | Binding energies <br> (Kcal/mol) <br> PDB ID: 3PP0 | Binding energies <br> (Kcal/mol) <br> PDB ID: 3NM8 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 9-Chloroanthracene | -6.93 | -7.39 |

As shown in Table-9 9-chloroanthracene shows strong binding behaviour against HER2 and tyrosinase with their minimum binding energies of -6.93 and $-7.39 \mathrm{kcal} \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$, respectively shows anticancer activity theoretically.

Fukui function analysis: To determine the chemical reactivity and selectivity Fukui function analysis was used. It is local reactivity descriptors that show the propensity of the electronic density to deform at a given position in order to accepting and donating the electrons [57-60]. The condensed Fukui function of nucleophilic, electrophilic and radial attack is calculated by using this equation,

$$
\begin{gathered}
\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{r}}^{+}=\mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{r}}(\mathrm{~N}+1)-\mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{r}}(\mathrm{~N}) \text { for nucleophilic attack } \\
\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{r}}^{-}=\mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{r}}(\mathrm{~N})-\mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{r}}(\mathrm{~N}-1) \text { for electrophilic attack } \\
\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{r}}^{0}=1 / 2\left[\mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{r}}(\mathrm{~N}+1)-\mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{r}}(\mathrm{~N}-1)\right] \text { for radical attack }
\end{gathered}
$$

Fukui function and local softness for 9-chloroanthracene have been listed in Table-10. The lower value of $\mathrm{Cl}_{24}$, shows the accessible site for electrophilic attack. Form Table-10, indicates the reactivity order for electrophilic case as $\mathrm{Cl}_{24}>\mathrm{C}_{4}>\mathrm{H}_{17}=$


Fig. 5. The binding poses and interactions of 9-chloroanthracene compound to the binding sites of HER2 receptor (top, PDB ID: 3PP0) and tyrosinase receptor (bottom, PDB ID: 3NM8)

TABLE-10
CONDENSED FUKUI FUNCTION (fr) AND NEW DESCRIPTOR (sf)r FOR 9-CHLOROANTHRACENE

| Atom | Mulliken atomic charges |  |  | Fukui functions |  |  |  | Local softness |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $0,1(\mathrm{~N})$ | $\mathrm{N}+1(-1,2)$ | $\mathrm{N}-1(1,2)$ | $\mathrm{fr}+$ | $\mathrm{fr}-$ | fr0 | sr+fr+ | sr-fr- | sr0fr0 |
| C1 | -1.19132 | -1.227558 | -1.141155 | -0.036239 | -0.05016 | -0.0432 | -0.00758 | -0.01049 | -0.00903 |
| C2 | -0.53622 | -0.579851 | -0.508971 | -0.043631 | -0.02725 | -0.03544 | -0.00912 | -0.0057 | -0.00741 |
| C3 | -0.39584 | -0.434717 | -0.367274 | -0.038874 | -0.02857 | -0.03372 | -0.00813 | -0.00597 | -0.00705 |
| C4 | -0.05377 | -0.101113 | 0.006114 | -0.047342 | -0.05989 | -0.05361 | -0.0099 | -0.01252 | -0.01121 |
| C5 | 1.270902 | 1.276276 | 1.28467 | 0.005374 | -0.01377 | -0.0042 | 0.001124 | -0.00288 | -0.00088 |
| C6 | -0.0541 | -0.117546 | -0.00229 | -0.063451 | -0.05181 | -0.05763 | -0.01327 | -0.01083 | -0.01205 |
| C7 | 1.271396 | 1.276762 | 1.28518 | 0.005366 | -0.01378 | -0.00421 | 0.001122 | -0.00288 | -0.00088 |
| C8 | -0.05368 | -0.101048 | 0.006227 | -0.047373 | -0.0599 | -0.05364 | -0.00991 | -0.01253 | -0.01122 |
| C9 | -0.39562 | -0.434453 | -0.367066 | -0.038831 | -0.02856 | -0.03369 | -0.00812 | -0.00597 | -0.00705 |
| C10 | -0.53628 | -0.579959 | -0.509014 | -0.04368 | -0.02727 | -0.03547 | -0.00913 | -0.0057 | -0.00742 |
| C11 | -1.19188 | -1.228105 | -1.141722 | -0.03623 | -0.05015 | -0.04319 | -0.00758 | -0.01049 | -0.00903 |
| C12 | 0.154852 | 0.164197 | 0.134241 | 0.009345 | 0.020611 | 0.014978 | 0.001954 | 0.00431 | 0.003132 |
| C13 | -0.55866 | -0.562226 | -0.569237 | -0.003568 | 0.010579 | 0.003505 | -0.00075 | 0.002212 | 0.000733 |
| C14 | 0.154615 | 0.163978 | 0.133989 | 0.009363 | 0.020626 | 0.014995 | 0.001958 | 0.004313 | 0.003135 |
| H15 | 0.160676 | 0.118608 | 0.2022 | -0.042068 | -0.04152 | -0.0418 | -0.0088 | -0.00868 | -0.00874 |
| H16 | 0.177773 | 0.116993 | 0.235808 | -0.06078 | -0.05804 | -0.05941 | -0.01271 | -0.01214 | -0.01242 |
| H17 | 0.162052 | 0.101202 | 0.22048 | -0.06085 | -0.05843 | -0.05964 | -0.01272 | -0.01222 | -0.01247 |
| H18 | 0.14324 | 0.091323 | 0.195318 | -0.051917 | -0.05208 | -0.052 | -0.01086 | -0.01089 | -0.01087 |
| H19 | 0.063181 | 0.000837 | 0.123738 | -0.062344 | -0.06056 | -0.06145 | -0.01304 | -0.01266 | -0.01285 |
| H20 | 0.143236 | 0.091314 | 0.195319 | -0.051922 | -0.05208 | -0.052 | -0.01086 | -0.01089 | -0.01087 |
| H21 | 0.162054 | 0.1012 | 0.220486 | -0.060854 | -0.05843 | -0.05964 | -0.01272 | -0.01222 | -0.01247 |
| H22 | 0.177773 | 0.116988 | 0.235809 | -0.060785 | -0.05804 | -0.05941 | -0.01271 | -0.01214 | -0.01242 |
| H23 | 0.160684 | 0.118612 | 0.20221 | -0.042072 | -0.04153 | -0.0418 | -0.0088 | -0.00868 | -0.00874 |
| C124 | 0.764922 | 0.628285 | 0.924939 | -0.136637 | -0.16002 | -0.14833 | -0.02857 | -0.03346 | -0.03102 |

$\mathrm{H}_{21}>\mathrm{H}_{16}=\mathrm{H}_{22}$ and nucleophilic case is $\mathrm{C}_{5}$ and $\mathrm{C}_{7}$. These results show 9 -chloroanthracene has biological activity.

Atomic natural charges: By using NBO analysis, the atomic natural charges have been determined [61-63] and the results are presented in Fig. 6 and Table-11. The charge distribution of the molecule has an important influence on the vibrational spectra. The charge on the C13 atom attached to chlorine atom is positive compared with all the aromatic carbon of anthracene ring due to electron withdrawing nature of chlorine atom attached to a carbon atom in the title compound. All the remaining charges are reported in Table-11.


Fig. 6. Mulliken atomic charge of 9-chloroanthracene

| TABLE-11 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ATOMIC NATURAL CHARGES FOR | 9-CHLOROANTHRACENE |  |  |
| Atom | Charge | Atom | Charge |
| C1 | -0.17954 | C13 | 0.01622 |
| C2 | -0.20816 | C14 | -0.09848 |
| C3 | -0.18837 | H15 | 0.227994 |
| C4 | -0.18250 | H16 | 0.21623 |
| C5 | -0.055982 | H 17 | 0.21621 |
| C6 | -0.13520 | H 18 | 0.21577 |
| C7 | -0.059889 | H 19 | 0.21578 |
| C8 | -0.18259 | H 20 | 0.21577 |
| C9 | -0.18780 | H 21 | 0.21617 |
| C10 | -0.20126 | H 22 | 0.21623 |
| C11 | -0.19297 | H 23 | 0.22793 |
| C12 | -0.09313 | H 24 | -0.02182 |

## Conclusion

In the present study, quantum chemical calculations have been carried on the structure of the molecule under study according to the SQM method using DFT at B3LYP/6-311++G(d,p) level for optimized geometry. The structural parameters obtained in DFT calculations are in good accord with reported single crystal data. All the vibrational frequencies of 9-chloroanthracene observed from FTIR spectra are ascribed on unambiguously employing eigenvectors and PED obtained from DFT. The scaling factors have been refined with an rms error of $8.48 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ between the experimental and SQM wave numbers. The study of first-order hyperpolarizability reveals that the molecule exhibits good NLO behaviour. The small HOMOLUMO energy gap obtained in this molecule indicates that it is more stable and polarizable, exhibit high chemical reactivity and low kinetic stability. The electrophilic, nucleophilic, radial attack within the 9 -chloroanthracene was investigated using

Fukui function analysis. The MESP of the molecule 9-chloroanthracene was observed that the region around aromatic carbon atoms of anthracene ring has a negative electrostatic potential region and the region around Cl atom has positive electrostatic potential. Which convey that negative potential region is electrophilic and positive region potential region is nucleophilic. Moreover, the molecular docking results reveal that the title molecule exhibits minimum binding energies against HER2 and tyrosinase, which represents the molecule under investigation, shows anticancer activity theoretically.

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[^1]:    ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Abbreviations: $v$, stretching; $\beta$, in plane bending; $\pi$, out of plane bending; $\tau$, torsion. ${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ Relative infrared intensities are normalized to 100 .
    ${ }^{\text {c }}$ Number in the parenthesis is $\%$ of PED and number before the parenthesis is vibrational mode. PED less than $10 \%$ is not shown.

