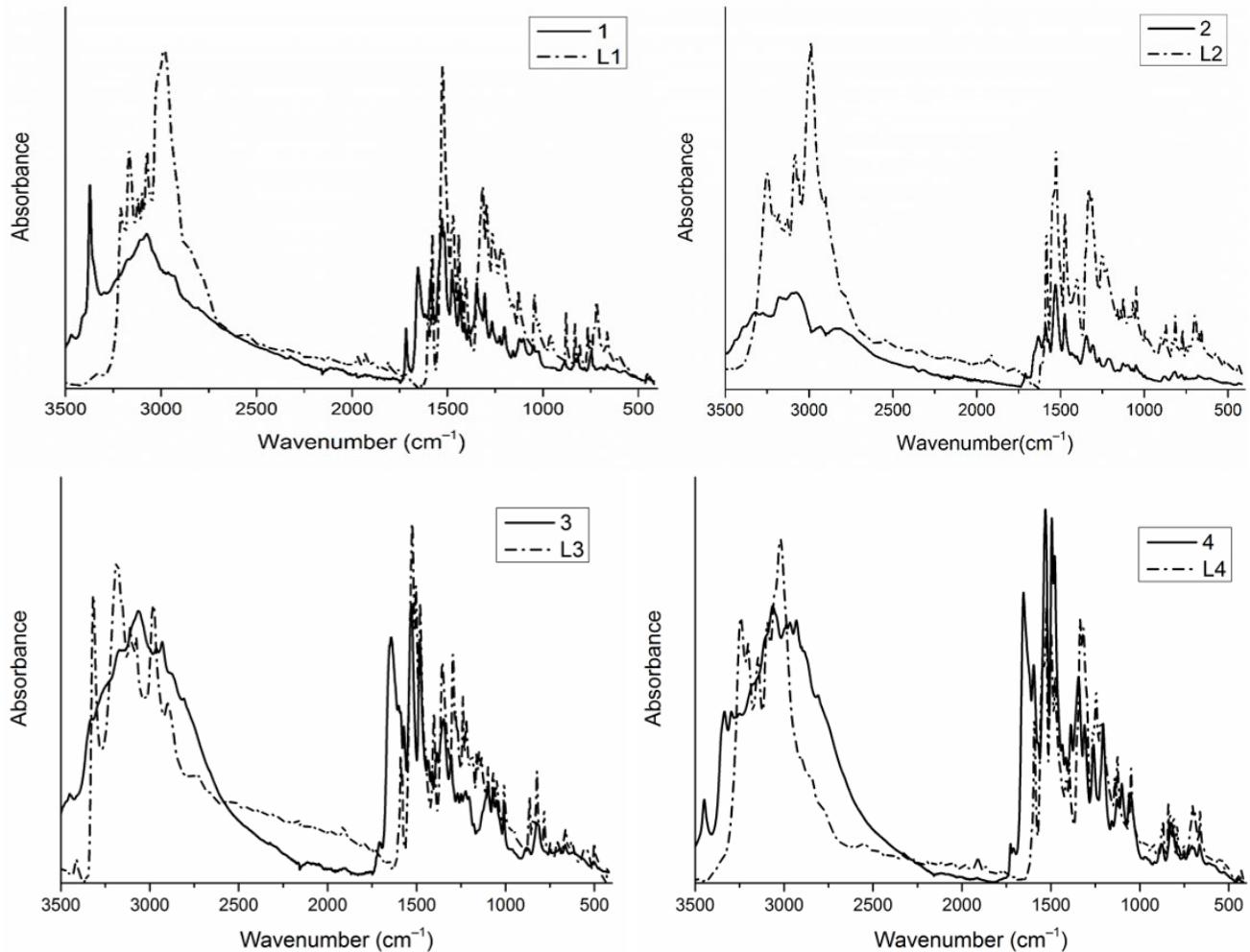
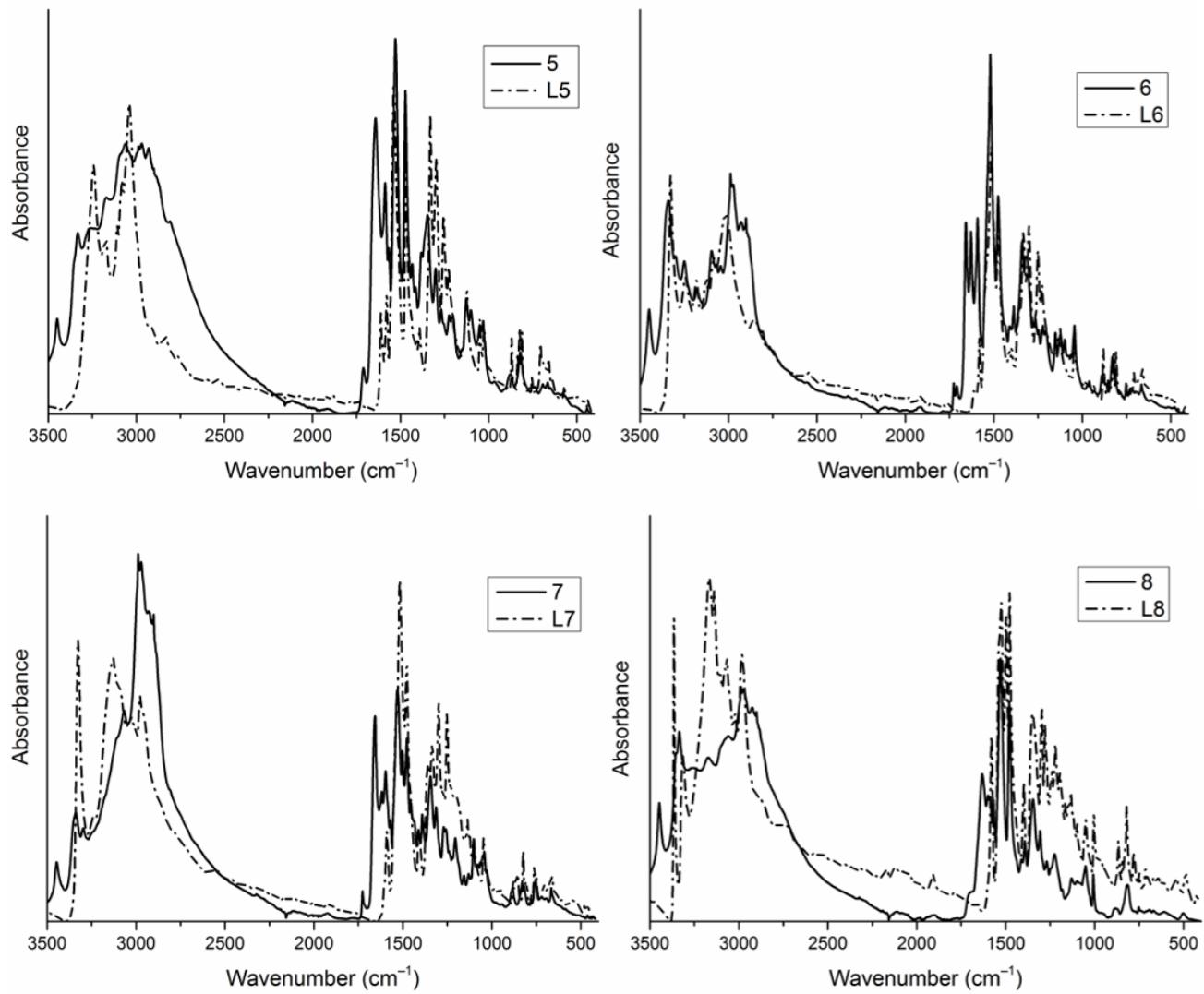
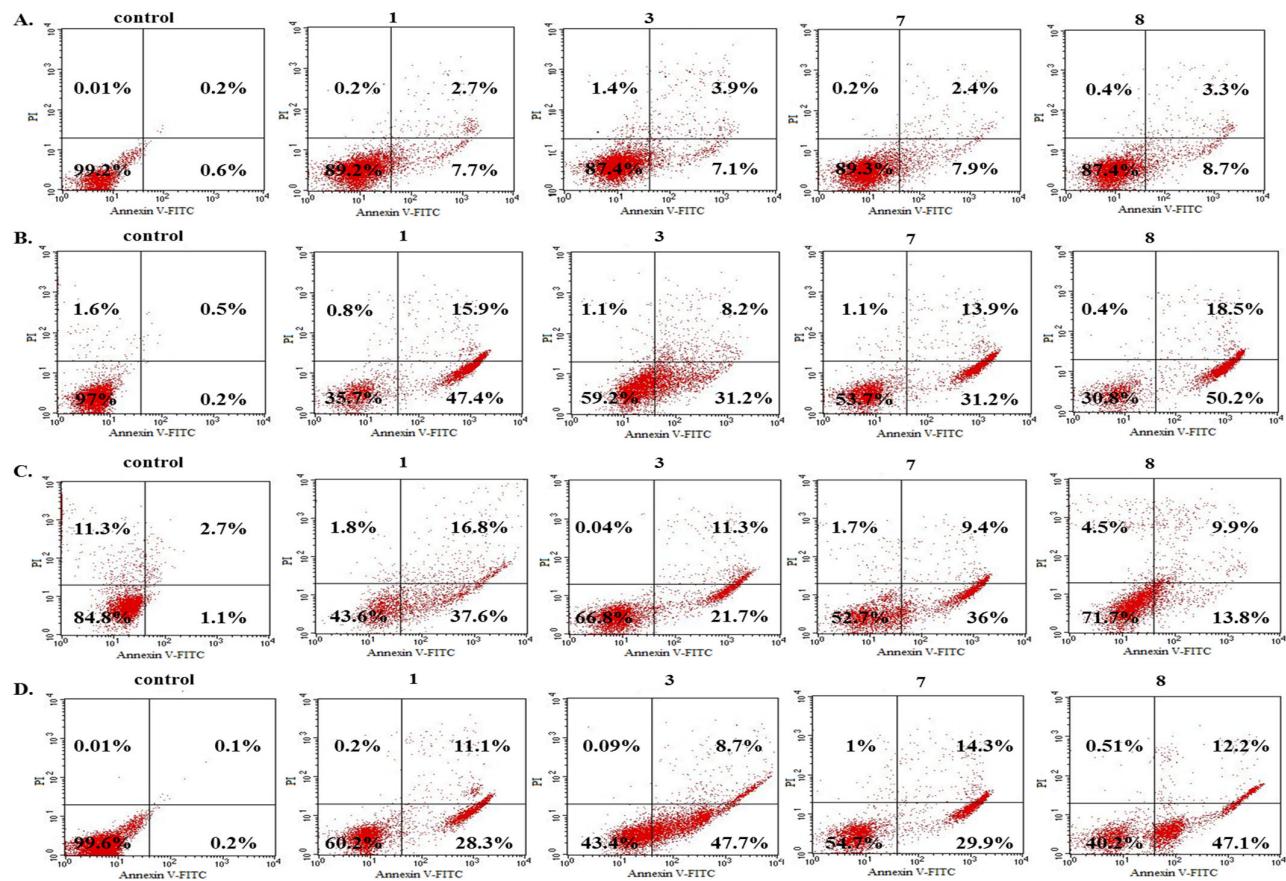


*Supplementary Materials*





**Figure S1.** ATR-FTIR spectra of Cu(II) complexes (solid line) and parent ligands (dash dot line).



**Figure S2.** The effect of compounds **1**, **3**, **7** and **8** on early and late apoptosis or necrosis in (A.) HaCaT, (B.) SW480, (C.) SW620 and (D.) PC3 cells detected by flow cytometry. Cells were incubated for 72 h with compounds. Diagrams show representative experiments. The lower right quadrant shows early apoptotic cells. The upper right and upper left quadrants represent late stage of apoptotic or necrotic cells.

**Table S1.** LC-MS proteome analysis provided in the SW480, SW620 and PC3 cells treated for 24h with IC<sub>50</sub> concentrations of complexes **1**, **3**, **7** and **8**. Protein intensities were expressed as a mean from three independent experiments.

Accession	Name	SW480					SW620					PC3				
		Con-	1	3	7	8	Con-	1	3	7	8	Con-	1	3	7	8
GSTA1_H	Glutathione S-transferase A1 OS=Homo sapiens OX=9606	41323	32367	35787	31245	37843	91232	45787	41221	33213	49567	62764	52964	44321	49732	46123
UMAN	GN=GSTA1 PE=1 SV=3	4	8	6	5	4						0	6	2	3	2
GSTO1_H	Glutathione S-transferase omega-1 OS=Homo sapiens OX=9606	29823	21139	19686	13456	15614	23211	19834	17865	12188	15098	34133	22175	21840	23432	10799
UMAN	GN=GSTO1 PE=1 SV=2	4	8	7	5	5	2	5	7	9	7	7	0	0	3	6
GSTP1_H	Glutathione S-transferase P OS=Homo sapiens OX=9606 GN=GSTP1 PE=1 SV=2	36724	31134	27865	29714	30478	34522	25676	22254	23243	19865	14251	13533	72800	51019	91417
UMAN	GN=GSTP1 PE=1 SV=2	5	5	6	1	9	1	8	5	3	6	97	19	0	3	3
GSHR_HU	Glutathione reductase, mitochondrial OS=Homo sapiens	19533	11356	12321	17909	14521	16234	11212	12857	10924	12867	15806	11236	93164	96786	10822
MAN	OS=Homo sapiens	4	7	2	0	2	5	2	5	4	6	4	2			1

	OX=9606 GN=GSR PE=1 SV=2	
SODC_HU	Superoxide dismutase MAN [Cu-Zn] OS=Homo sapiens OX=9606 GN=SOD1 PE=1 SV=2	<b>11223</b> 76586 84545 45622 98955 <b>12233</b> 88976 95667 54678 78955 <b>14294</b> 83564 44174 22026 47149 <b>35</b> 8 4 3 6 <b>56</b> 7 8 8 6 <b>42</b> 0 6 8 8
SODM_H UMAN	Superoxide dismutase [Mn], mitochondrial OS=Homo sapiens OX=9606 GN=SOD2 PE=1 SV=3	<b>78926</b> 53499 61299 51399 74463 <b>87534</b> 77699 67515 39676 81223 <b>57710</b> 16812 17984 14545 16960 <b>5</b> 8 0 8 4 <b>2</b> 8 9 6 4 <b>1</b> 7 0 6 0
PRDX1_H UMAN	Peroxiredoxin-1 OS=Homo sapiens OX=9606 GN=PRDX1 PE=1 SV=1	<b>31223</b> 29933 27629 22345 26367 <b>33456</b> 32167 29767 27845 31277 <b>24399</b> 18022 11654 11354 12771 <b>231</b> 676 276 478 811 <b>762</b> 221 565 632 885 <b>792</b> 715 561 508 180
PRDX2_H UMAN	Peroxiredoxin-2 OS=Homo sapiens OX=9606 GN=PRDX2 PE=1 SV=5	<b>65462</b> 62485 61337 45454 51234 <b>72167</b> 66475 51687 42273 63967 <b>54541</b> 23045 25818 <b>84</b> 67 78 32 36 <b>64</b> 86 73 45 14 <b>13</b> 72 27 18
PRDX3_H UMAN	Thioredoxin-dependent peroxide reductase, mitochondrial OS=Homo sapiens OX=9606 GN=PRDX3 PE=1 SV=3	<b>81212</b> 77345 69394 73384 78232 <b>92345</b> 64574 62345 56487 87867 <b>76427</b> 53144 43764 18928 <b>43</b> 23 54 76 34 <b>4</b> 4 1 8 9 <b>9</b> 4 3 5 94596
PRDX4_H UMAN	Peroxiredoxin-4 OS=Homo sapiens OX=9606 GN=PRDX4 PE=1 SV=1	<b>65498</b> 44286 39359 38209 51244 <b>54562</b> 43345 41672 39825 51232 <b>29707</b> 21556 18138 10610 91449 <b>71</b> 16 87 01 76 <b>23</b> 76 34 63 34 <b>23</b> 87 10 38 9
PRDX5_H UMAN	Peroxiredoxin-5, mitochondrial OS=Homo sapiens OX=9606 GN=PRDX5 PE=1 SV=4	<b>14534</b> 11234 12329 13224 11876 <b>11212</b> 98987 92343 91234 83456 <b>95228</b> 27866 38969 34956 39955 <b>56</b> 51 82 54 76 <b>32</b> 3 4 3 7 <b>1</b> 2 4 4 5
PRDX6_H UMAN	Peroxiredoxin-6 OS=Homo sapiens OX=9606 GN=PRDX6 PE=1 SV=3	<b>87655</b> 65789 71222 59876 62345 <b>98939</b> 82345 65678 66787 76782 <b>59129</b> 39365 42064 20707 31771 <b>78</b> 81 34 78 41 <b>37</b> 64 78 23 23 <b>81</b> 03 39 29 20

**Table S2.** Genotoxic activity of tested complexes – inhibition zone diameter (mm).

Compound	<i>Bacillus subtilis</i> strain	
	H17	M45
<b>1</b>	12	12
<b>2</b>	17	19
<b>3</b>	15	15
<b>4</b>	16	18
<b>5</b>	17	18
<b>6</b>	16	15

7	15	18
<b>8</b>	14	14
NOQ*	13	25

\*NOQ – 4-Nitroquinoline-N-oxide

#### DMF effect on cell lines

The cytotoxic effect of DMF towards cancer, normal and bacterial cells, as other popular solvents, was tested before by various scientific teams [1S-4S]. It seems to act on cells metabolism only when used in millimolar concentration, whereas IC<sub>50</sub> of our active compounds was below 10 µM (and the highest IC<sub>50</sub> found equaled 120 µM). As calculated, approximated concentration of DMF in a culture medium in MTT test, included with our complexes (for example complex 1, bounded with 0.75 mole of DMF) varied from 2 µM = 0.002 mM (SW 480 cells) to nearly 82 µM = 0.08 mM (HaCaT cells). Concerning bacterial studies, DMF might be found in a medium at maximum concentration (equaled MIC = 4 µg/ml for the most active compounds) of 0.004 µM up to 0.12 µM. The effect of DMF on bioactivity in our tests is negligible, because we use micromolar, not millimolar amounts of substances. The impact of DMF on cell lines was also studied previously as follows:

##### 1. effect on HaCaT cells and cancer cells [1]

In the experiments performed by Authors of that paper, DMF influenced HaCaT cells at concentration of 0.14 mg/ml (2 mM), and cancer cells applied at 1.8-9.5 mM. In our experiments, HaCaT cell were treated with 0.08 mM DMF (bounded with a complex 1) or maximum 0.1 mM for other complexes.

##### 2. effect on colon cancer cells [2]

According to Authors, DMF exerted no cytotoxic effect towards colon cancer cells and inhibits cell proliferation by 40-50% at 80 µM (our complexes 1 and 8, at 4 µM caused apoptosis of SW480 cells in 47%). DMF at 100 µM did not increase LDH release from colon cancer cells, as compared to our derivative 8 (used at 60 µM, max. concentration of DMF 45 µM), which achieved 64% LDH release in PC3 cells, and 58% in SW480 cell lines.

##### 3. effect on pancreatic cancer cells [3]

According to Authors, DMF caused 85% apoptosis of PC3 cells when applied at concentration of 200 µM, and PANC-1 in 30% (at 100 µM). Our complexes gave proapoptotic effect in their IC<sub>50</sub> concentrations, i.e. 4-10 µM.

##### 4. effect on bacterial cells [4]

In the experiments performed by Authors of that paper (Table 2), the number of living bacterial cells in the presence of DMF applied in 4.8% (v/v), i.e. about 60 mM, varied from 0.1 to 8.9%. Approximated concentration of DMF in our medium was only from 0.004 µM to 0.12 µM.

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