

Reactions of 1,2,4-Triazole Derivatives with a “Model” Thiirane

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Abstract—Reactions of 3-mono- and 3,5-disubstituted 1,2,4-triazoles with a “model” thiirane, 8-bromo-1,3-dimethyl-7-(thiiran-2-ylmethyl)-3,7-dihydro-1*H*-purine-2,6-diones proceed at the positions N¹ and N² of the triazole ring and yield 7-(5-R-3-R'-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)methyl- and/or 7-(5-R'-3-R-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)methyl-1,3-dimethyl-6,7-dihydro[1,3]thiazolo[2,3-*f*]-purine-2,4-(1*H*,3*H*)-diones. 3-Methylsulfonyl-1,2,4-triazole reacted regiospecifically at the position N¹ forming 1,3-dimethyl-7-[(3-methyl-sulfonyl-1,2,4-triazole-1-yl)-methyl]-6,7-dihydro[1,3]thiazolo[2,3-*f*]purine-2,4-(1*H*,3*H*)-dione.

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Reactions of 1,2,4-triazole derivatives with thiiranes are virtually unstudied mainly due to the polymerization proceeding at the reaction of thiiranes with nucleophilic reagents [1].

We investigated the reactions of 3-mono- and 3,5-disubstituted 1,2,4-triazoles with thiiranes by an example of a “model” thiirane suggested by us [2], 8-bromo-1,3-dimethyl-7-(thiiran-2-ylmethyl)-3,7-dihydro-1*H*-purine-2,6-dione (**I**), whose application made it possible to obtain monomer products in reactions with nucleophiles owing to the intramolecular heterocyclization affording derivatives of 6,7-dihydro[1,3]thiazolo[2,3-*f*]purine-2,4-(1*H*,3*H*)-dione (Scheme 1).

The reaction of 3-nitro-1,2,4-triazole with oxiranes is known to proceed at the position N¹ of the triazole [3], whereas the 3-azido-1,2,4-triazole gave with oxiranes a mixture of reaction products at positions N¹ and N² [4]. The products of reaction at the position N⁴ were not mentioned in [3, 4]. We also did not find a product of the reaction at the position N⁴ in treating with thiirane **I** the unsubstituted 1,2,4-triazole [2].

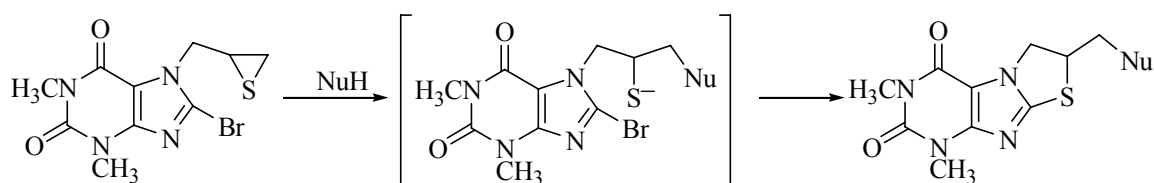
The reactions of thiirane **I** with 1,2,4-triazole **IIa–IIe** were carried out in the presence of KOH in boiling ethanol over 3–5 h (Scheme 2).

The reaction of symmetric 3,5-dibromo-1*H*-1,2,4-triazole (**IIa**) with thiirane **I** led to the formation of 7-[(3,5-dibromo-1*H*-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)methyl]-1,3-dimethyl-6,7-dihydro[1,3]-thiazolo[2,3-*f*]purine-2,4-(1*H*,3*H*)-dione (**III**) (Scheme 2) in 77% yield.

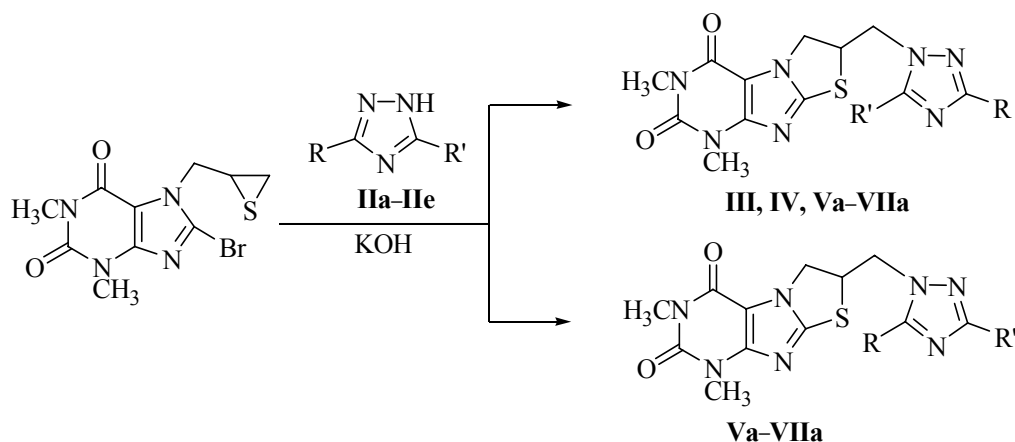
¹H NMR spectrum of compound **III** confirmed the formation of the fused system of the dihydrothiazolo-purine: characteristic multiplets appeared in the regions 4.62–4.74 and 4.96–5.06 ppm, corresponding to the protons of NCH₂ and SCH groups of the dihydrothiazole ring respectively [5, 6].

The ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **III** contained the signals of carbon atoms of dihydrothiazolopurine [4, 5]. The signals at 132.11 and 139.54 ppm belonged to atoms C⁵ and C³ of the triazole ring respectively. Their magnetic nonequivalence showed that the reaction occurred at the position N¹ (N²) of triazole **IIa**.

Scheme 1.



Scheme 2.



R = R' = Br (**IIa, III**); R = SO₂CH₃, R' = H (**IIb, IV**); R = SCH₃, R' = H (**IIc, Va, Vb**); R = piperidin-1-yl, R' = Br (**IIe, VIa, VIb**); R = NHCH₂C₆H₅, R' = Br (**IIe, VIIa, VIIb**).

The reaction of thiirane **I** with unsymmetrical 3-methylsulfonyl-1H-1,2,4-triazole (**IIb**) proceeded regiospecifically at the position N¹ of the triazole ring (Scheme 2). 1,3-Dimethyl-7-[(3-methylsulfonyl-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)methyl]-6,7-dihydro[1,3]thiazolo[2,3-f]purine-2,4(1H,3H)-dione (**IV**) formed in 86% yield.

The ¹H NMR spectrum of compound **IV** alongside the signals of protons of the fused system of dihydrothiazolopurine and of 7-CH₂ group contained a singlet from the protons of the methylsulfonyl group at 3.34 ppm. The singlet from the proton =CH of the triazole ring at 8.98 ppm confirmed the formation of 3-methylsulfonyl isomer **IV** [4, 7].

The reaction of thiirane **I** with 3-methylsulfonyl-1H-1,2,4-triazole (**IIc**) afforded two compounds (Scheme 2). On cooling the reaction mixture 1,3-dimethyl-7-[(5-methylsulfonyl-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)methyl]-6,7-dihydro[1,3]thiazolo[2,3-f]purine-2,4-(1H,3H)-dione (**Vb**) precipitated in 32% yield. 3-Methylsulfonyl isomer (**Va**) was isolated after evaporation of the filtrate also in 32% yield.

In the ¹H NMR spectra of compounds **Va** and **Vb** the singlet of the proton =CH of the triazole ring of 5-methylsulfonyl isomer **Vb** appeared at 7.88 ppm, and the singlet

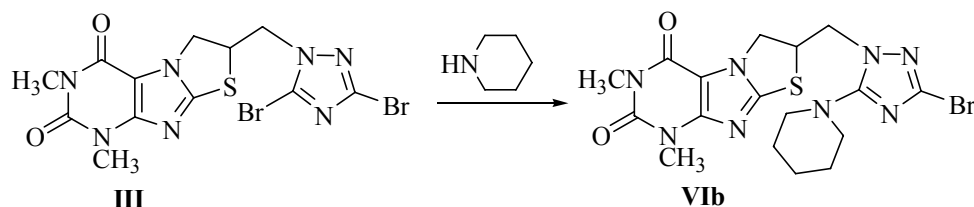
of 3-methylsulfonyl isomer **Va** in a weaker field, at 8.62 ppm, in agreement with the published data [4].

In the ¹³C NMR spectrum of 5-methylsulfonyl isomer **Vb** the signal at 155.02 ppm belonged to the atom C⁵ of the triazole, and the upfield signal at 151.96 ppm, to atom C³, also in agreement with the published data [7].

The reaction of 5-bromo-3-(piperidin-1-yl)-1H-1,2,4-triazole (**IIe**) with thiirane **I** also yielded two products (Scheme 2). 7-[(5-Bromo-3-piperidin-1-yl)-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)methyl]-1,3-dimethyl-6,7-dihydro[1,3]thiazolo[2,3-f]purine-2,4(1H,3H)-dione (**VIa**) precipitated in 54% yield. 5-Piperidinyl isomer **VIb** was isolated after evaporation of the filtrate in 31% yield.

Inasmuch as compounds **VIa, VIb** unlike compounds **Va, Vb** do not contain protons in the triazole ring, their assignment to the 3- and 5-piperidinyl isomers is difficult. Therefore we performed an independent synthesis of 5-piperidinyltriazole **VIb** by reaction of triazole **III** with piperidine (Scheme 3). As known, in the presence of a substituent in the position of N¹ of the 1,2,4-triazole the nucleophilic substitution of bromine occurs in the position C⁵ [8]. The reaction was carried out by boiling the reagents in BuOH for 5 h to obtain compound **VIb** in 95% yield.

Scheme 3.



The mixed samples of compound **Vb** obtained in different ways melted without depression of the melting points, and their ^1H NMR spectra were totally identical.

The ^1H NMR spectra of compounds **VIa**, **VIb** contained the proton signals corresponding to the skeleton of dihydrothiazolopurine, to the 7- CH_2 group, and to the piperidine fragment. The multiplet of the protons of $\text{N}(\text{CH}_2)_2$ group from the piperidine residue of the 3-piperidinyl isomer **VIa** is shifted by 0.25 ppm downfield compared with the analogous signal in the spectrum of 5-piperidinyl isomer **VIb**.

The reaction of 3-benzylamino-5-bromo-1*H*-1,2,4-triazole (**IIe**) with thiirane **I** also furnished two isomers **VIIa** and **VIIb** (Scheme 2). 7- $\{[3-(\text{Benzylamino})-5\text{-bromo-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}]methyl\}$ -1,3-dimethyl-6,7-dihydro[1,3]thiazolo[2,3-*f*]purine-2,4(1*H*,3*H*)-dione (**VIIa**) precipitated in 36% yield. 5-Benzylamino isomer **VIIb** we failed to obtain in an individual state. The overall yield of the reaction products was 83%.

In the ^1H NMR spectrum of the mixture of compounds **VIIa** and **VIIb** a double set of signals was observed from the protons of NCH_3 group of the purine residue, of NHCH_2 and NHCH_2 protons of the benzylamine fragment; therefore we were able to conclude on the formation of 3- and 5-benzylamino isomers **VIIa** and **VIIb** in a ratio 3:2 (according to the integral intensities of the signals).

In the ^1H NMR spectrum of compound **VIIa** the signal of protons of NHCH_2 of the benzylamine fragment appears as a doublet at 4.42 ppm, in a weaker field as compared with the similar signal of 5-benzylamino isomer **VIIb** (at 4.34 ppm in the spectrum of the mixture), indicating as in the event of compound **VIa** the formation of 3-benzylamino isomer.

Thus the reactions of 1,2,4-triazoles with thiirane **I** proceed nonselectively at positions N^1 and N^2 except for 3-methylsulfonyl-1*H*-1,2,4-triazole (**IIb**) that reacts regioselectively at the position N^1 . As a result form isomeric 7-(5-*R*-3-*R'*-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)methyl- **Va**–**VIIa** and 7-(5-*R'*-3-*R*-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)methyl-1,3-dimethyl-6,7-dihydro[1,3]thiazolo[2,3-*f*]purine-2,4(1*H*,3*H*)-diones **Vb**–**VIIb** whose ratio depends on the character of substituents in the positions C^3 and C^5 of the triazole ring. From symmetric 3,5-dibromo-1*H*-1,2,4-triazole (**IIa**) formed a single compound **III**, no reaction products at the position N^4 were detected.

EXPERIMENTAL

^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra were registered on a spec-

trometer Bruker AM-300 at operating frequency 300 and 75 MHz respectively. The signals of solvents served as internal references. TLC was performed on Silufol plates using as eluent ethanol or the mixture hexane–ethanol, 3:2, development in the iodine vapor.

7-[(3,5-Dibromo-1*H*-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)methyl]-1,3-dimethyl-6,7-dihydro[1,3]-thiazolo[2,3-*f*]purine-2,4(1*H*,3*H*)-dione (III**).** A solution of 0.56 g (10 mmol) of KOH, 2.26 g (10 mmol) of triazole (**IIa**), 1.66 g (5 mmol) of thiirane **I** in 100 ml of ethanol was boiled for 2 h. On cooling the reaction mixture the separated precipitate was filtered off and washed with a solution of KOH and water. Yield 77%, mp 267–269°C (dioxane–water). ^1H NMR spectrum ($\text{DMSO-}d_6$), δ , ppm: 3.21 s (3H, 3- CH_3), 3.36 s (3H, 1- CH_3), 4.48–4.57 m (2H, 7- CH_2), 4.62–4.74 m (2H, NCH_2), 4.96–5.06 m (1H, SCH). ^{13}C NMR spectrum ($\text{DMSO-}d_6$), δ , ppm: 27.47 (3- CH_3), 29.57 (1- CH_3), 48.76 (NCH_2), 51.94 (7- CH_2), 52.20 (SCH), 106.61 (C^{4a}), 132.11 ($\text{C}^5_{\text{triazole}}$), 139.54 ($\text{C}^3_{\text{triazole}}$), 150.69 (C^{9a}), 151.61 (C^2), 152.79 (C^4), 154.26 (C^{8a}). Found, %: C 30.11; H 2.37; N 20.65. $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{11}\text{Br}_2\text{N}_7\text{O}_2\text{S}$. Calculated, %: C 30.21; H 2.32; N 20.55.

1,3-Dimethyl-7-[(3-methylsulfonyl-1*H*-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)methyl]-6,7-dihydro-[1,3]-thiazolo[2,3-*f*]purine-2,4(1*H*,3*H*)-dione (IV**)** was obtained similarly. Yield 86%, mp 215–217°C (H_2O). ^1H NMR spectrum ($\text{DMF-}d_7$), δ , ppm: 3.23 s (3H, 3- CH_3), 3.34 s (3H, SO_2CH_3), 3.38 s (3H, 1- CH_3), 4.63 d.d (1H, NCH_2 , 2J 11.9, 3J 7.5 Hz), 4.73 d.d (1H, NCH_2 , 2J 11.9, 3J 2.8 Hz), 4.98–5.12 m (2H, 7- CH_2) 5.15–5.26 m (1H, SCH), 8.98 s (1H, H^5). Found, %: C 39.41; H 3.62; N 24.58. $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_7\text{O}_4\text{S}_2$. Calculated, %: C 39.29; H 3.80; N 24.67.

1,3-Dimethyl-7-[(3-methylsulfonyl-1*H*-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)methyl]-6,7-dihydro-[1,3]thiazolo[2,3-*f*]purine-2,4(1*H*,3*H*)-dione (Va**) and 1,3-dimethyl-7-[(5-methylsulfonyl-1*H*-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)methyl]-6,7-dihydro[1,3]thiazolo[2,3-*f*]purine-2,4(1*H*,3*H*)-dione (**Vb**).** A solution of 1.12 g (20 mmol) of KOH, 2.30 g (20 mmol) of triazole **IIc**, 3.31 g (10 mmol) of thiirane **I** in 100 ml of ethanol was boiled for 4.5 h. On cooling the reaction mixture the separated precipitate was filtered off and washed with a solution of KOH and water. We obtained compound **Vb**. Yield 32%, mp 229–230°C (*i*-PrOH). ^1H NMR spectrum (CDCl_3), δ , ppm: 2.71 s (3H, SCH₃), 3.37 s (3H, 3- CH_3), 3.54 s (3H, 1- CH_3), 4.37–4.48 m [3H, NCH_2 (1H), 7- CH_2], 4.55 d.d (1H, NCH_2 , 2J 11.9, 3J 3.4 Hz), 4.77–4.92 m (1H, SCH),

7.88 C (1H, H^{3'}). ¹³C NMR spectrum (CDCl₃), δ, ppm: 15.63 (SCH₃), 27.92 (3-CH₃), 29.93 (1-CH₃), 48.95 (NCH₂), 50.83 (7-CH₂), 51.11 (SCH), 107.27 (C^{4a}), 151.26 (C^{9a}), 151.96 (C³_{triazole}), 152.53 (C²), 153.56 (C⁴), 154.03 (C^{8a}), 155.02 (C⁵_{triazole}). Found, %: C 42.66; H 4.18; N 26.78. C₁₃H₁₅N₇O₂S₂. Calculated, %: C 42.73; H 4.14; N 26.83.

The filtrate was evaporated in a vacuum to dryness, the residue was washed with the solution of KOH, water, and filtered off to obtain compound **Va**. Yield 32%, mp 177–178°C (toluene). ¹H NMR spectrum (DMF-*d*₇), δ, ppm: 2.53 s (3H, SCH₃), 3.23 s (3H, 3-CH₃), 3.39 s (3H, 1-CH₃), 4.47–4.72 m (2H, NCH₂), 4.72–4.92 m (2H, 7-CH₂), 5.03–5.23 m (1H, SCH), 8.62 s (1H, H^{5'}). Found, %: C 42.63; H 4.21; N 26.91. C₁₃H₁₅N₇O₂S₂. Calculated, %: C 42.73; H 4.14; N 26.83.

7-[(5-Bromo-3-piperidin-1-yl)-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)methyl]-1,3-dimethyl-6,7-dihydro-[1,3]thiazolo-[2,3-*f*]purine-2,4(1H,3H)-dione (VIa) and 7-[(3-bromo-5-piperidin-1-yl)-1H-1,2,4-triazole-1-yl)methyl]-1,3-dimethyl-6,7-dihydro[1,3]thiazolo-[2,3-*f*]purine-2,4(1H,3H)-dione (VIb). A solution of 0.28 g (5 mmol) of KOH, 1.16 g (5 mmol) triazole **IIId**, 0.83 g (2.5 mmol) of thiirane **I** in 25 ml of ethanol was boiled for 3 h. On cooling the reaction mixture the separated precipitate was filtered off and washed with water to obtain compound **VIa**. Yield 54%, mp 200–202°C (BuOH). ¹H NMR spectrum (CDCl₃), δ, ppm: 1.52–1.68 m [6H, (CH₂)₃], 3.25–3.45 m [4H, N(CH₂)₂], 3.39 s (3H, 3-CH₃), 3.55 s (3H, 1-CH₃), 4.34 d (2H, 7-CH₂, ³*J* 7.1 Hz), 4.44 d.d (1H, NCH₂, ²*J* 12.0, ³*J* 7.4 Hz), 4.59 d.d (1H, NCH₂, ²*J* 12.0, ³*J* 3.7 Hz), 4.76–4.90 m (1H, SCH). Found, %: C 42.51; H 4.34; N 23.17. C₁₇H₂₁BrN₈O₂S. Calculated, %: C 42.42; H 4.40; N 23.28.

a. The filtrate was evaporated in a vacuum to dryness, the residue was washed with the solution of KOH, water, and filtered off to obtain compound **VIb**. Yield 31%, mp 221–223°C (dioxane–water). ¹H NMR spectrum (CDCl₃), δ, ppm: 1.50–1.63 m [6H, (CH₂)₃], 3.02–3.16 m [4H, N(CH₂)₂], 3.40 s (3H, 3-CH₃), 3.54 s (3H, 1-CH₃), 4.28 d (2H, 7-CH₂, ³*J* 7.2 Hz), 4.46 d (2H, NCH₂, ³*J* 5.5 Hz), 4.86–4.97 m (1H, SCH). Found, %: C 42.51; H 4.34; N 23.17. C₁₇H₂₁BrN₈O₂S. Calculated, %: C 42.42; H 4.40; N 23.28.

b. A solution of 1.43 g (3 mmol) of triazole **III** and 1.27 g (15 mmol) of piperidine in 50 ml of BuOH was boiled for 5 h. The reaction mixture was evaporated in a vacuum to dryness, the residue was washed with water

and filtered off. Yield 95%, mp 223–225°C (BuOH). Found, %: C 42.48; H 4.44; N 23.33. C₁₇H₂₁BrN₈O₂S. Calculated, %: C 42.42; H 4.40; N 23.28.

7-[[3-(Benzylamino)-5-bromo-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)methyl]-1,3-dimethyl-6,7-dihydro[1,3]thiazolo-[2,3-*f*]purine-2,4(1H,3H)-dione (VIIa) and 7-[[5-(benzylamino)-3-bromo-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)methyl]-1,3-dimethyl-6,7-dihydro[1,3]thiazolo-[2,3-*f*]purine-2,4(1H,3H)-dione (VIIb). A solution of 0.17 g (3 mmol) of KOH, 0.76 g (3 mmol) of triazole **IIe**, 0.50 g (1.5 mmol) of thiirane **I** in 25 ml of EtOH was boiled for 3 h. The reaction mixture was evaporated in a vacuum to dryness, the residue was washed with the solution of KOH, water, and filtered off. Yield of the mixture 83%, mp 128–144°C. ¹H NMR spectrum (CDCl₃), δ, ppm: 3.18 s [3H, 3-CH₃ (**VIIb**)], 3.30 s [3H, 1-CH₃ (**VIIb**)], 3.39 s [3H, 3-CH₃ (**VIIa**)], 3.55 C [3H, 1-CH₃ (**VIIa**)], 4.28–4.62 m (6H, 2-CH₂, NCH₂, NHCH₂), 4.65 t [1H, NHCH₂, ³*J* 6.0 Hz (**VIIa**)], 4.77–4.93 m (1H, SCH), 5.57 t [1H, NHCH₂, ³*J* 5.6 Hz (**VIIb**)], 7.24–7.47 m (5H, 5CH_{arom}). Found, %: C 45.27; H 3.77; N 22.40. C₁₉H₁₉BrN₈O₂S. Calculated, %: C 45.33; H 3.80; N 22.26.

Compound **VIIa** was obtained similarly to compound **VIa**. Yield 36%, mp 177–179°C (*i*-PrOH). ¹H NMR spectrum (CDCl₃), δ, ppm: 3.39 s (3H, 3-CH₃), 3.55 s (3H, 1-CH₃), 4.34 d (2H, 7-CH₂, ³*J* 7.1 Hz), 4.38–4.48 m [3H, NHCH₂, NCH₂ (1H)], 4.60 d.d (1H, NCH₂, ²*J* 12.1, ³*J* 3.7 Hz), 4.65 t (1H, NHCH₂, ³*J* 6.0 Hz), 4.77–4.88 m (1H, SCH), 7.26–7.44 m (5H, 5CH_{arom}). Found, %: C 45.38; H 3.75; N 22.32. C₁₉H₁₉BrN₈O₂S. Calculated, %: C 45.33; H 3.80; N 22.26.

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