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2-Alkylthio-3-phenylamino-5-arylmethylene-4H-imidazol-4-ones 5 were synthesized by S-alkylation of 3-phenylamino-2-thioxo-4-imidazolidinones 4, which were obtained via cyclization of isothiocyanates 2 with phenylhydrazine in presence of solid potassium carbonate. Compound 5 exhibited fungicidal activity.

*Keywords:* 4*H*-Imidazol-4-one; aza-Wittig reaction; fungicidal activities; synthesis

#### INTRODUCTION

Many 4*H*-imidazol-4-ones have shown biological and pharmaceutical activities, especially some 2-alkylthioimidazolones.<sup>1–3</sup> Since a new imidazolone (Fenamidone; Figure 1) was found to show high fungicidal activities, many other 2-alkylthio-3-aminoimidazolones were synthesized to evaluate their fungicidal activities.<sup>4–7</sup>

Most of the 2-alkylthio-3-aminoimidazolones reported are 5,5disubstituted types. They were generally synthesized from corresponding amino acetic acid<sup>6.7</sup> (Scheme 1). Unfortunately, 5-arylmethylene-2-alkylthio-3-aminoimidazolones cannot be prepared by this general method because corresponding starting materials needed are unstable vinyl amino acetic acids. Recently, we became interested in the

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#### SCHEME 1

synthesis of biologically active imidazolones via a tandem aza-Wittig reaction.<sup>8-10</sup> We wish to report a new efficient synthesis of unreported 5-arylmethylene-2-alkylthio-3-aminoimidazolones **5** from the stable vinyliminophosphorane **1**.

#### **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

The easily accessible vinyliminophosphorane **1** reacted with carbon disulfide to give vinyl isothiocyanates **2**, which were allowed to react with phenylhydrazine in presence of catalytic solid potassium carbonate to give the 3-phenylamino-2-thioxo-4-imidazolidinones **4** at 40– $50^{\circ}$ C. The formation of **4** can be rationalized in terms of an initial nucle-ophilic addition of phenylhydrazine to give the intermediates **3**, which cyclize to give **4**, catalyzed by potassium carbonate (Scheme 2). Since the direct reaction of isothiocyanates **2** with phenylhydrazine often give a mixture of intermediates **3** and imidazolidinones **4**, the presence of catalytic solid potassium carbonate is necessary for the cyclization to occur completely.

S-Alkylation of **4** with alkyl halides in the presence of potassium carbonate provided 2-alkylthio-3-phenylamino-5-arylmethylene-4*H*-imidazol-4-ones **5** in satisfactory yields (Scheme 3). With alkylating



#### FIGURE 1



reagents such as RI and BrCH<sub>2</sub>COR, the alkylation could be carried out at room temperature; with other reagents the alkylation had to be carried out at  $50^{\circ}$ C (See Table I).

The structures of **5** have been characterized spectroscopically. For example, the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectral data in **5a** show the signals for  $-SCH_3$  and -NH at  $\delta$  2.68 and  $\delta$  6.36 as singlets. The signals of alkenyl hydrogen were overlapped with the signals of Ar ( $\delta$  8.20–6.76). In the IR spectral data of **5a**, the stretching resonance peak of N–H appears at 3344 cm<sup>-1</sup>. The strong stretching resonance peak of imidazolone C=O appears at 1725 cm<sup>-1</sup>. The stretching of C=C shows relatively strong absorbtion at about 1638 cm<sup>-1</sup> due to resonance effect. The MS spectrum of **5a** shows a molecule ion peak at m/z 309 with 20% abundance.

The biological activities of **5** were investigated, and the results showed that they exhibited fungicidal activities, especially against *Botrytis Cinerea Pers*. For example, **51** showed 91% inhibition of *Botrytis Cinerea Pers* in 50 mg/l (See Table II).

	Ar	RX	Condition	Yield (%)*
4a	Ph		2 h/40–50°C	76
4b	$4-Cl-C_6H_4$		$3 \text{ h}/40  50^{\circ} \text{C}$	72
5a	Ph	$CH_{3}I$	2 h/rt	87
5b	Ph	EtBr	$5 \text{ h}/50^{\circ}\text{C}$	65
<b>5c</b>	Ph	n-PrBr	3 h/50°C	83
<b>5d</b>	Ph	<i>n</i> -BuBr	$3 \text{ h}/50^{\circ}\text{C}$	86
<b>5e</b>	Ph	n-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>13</sub> Br	3 h/50°C	70
<b>5f</b>	Ph	$PhCH_2Cl$	$2 \text{ h}/50^{\circ}\text{C}$	71
5g	Ph	ClCH <sub>2</sub> CN	$2 \text{ h}/50^{\circ}\text{C}$	81
5h	Ph	$PhCOCH_2Br$	2 h/rt	82
5i	Ph	$ClCH_2CONH_2$	$2 \text{ h}/50^{\circ}\text{C}$	75
5j	Ph	$ClCH_2COOEt$	$2 \text{ h}/50^{\circ}\text{C}$	86
5k	Ph	$BrCH_2COOMe$	2 h/rt	80
51	Ph	BrCH(Me)COOEt	3 h/50°C	74
5m	$4-Cl-C_6H_4$	$CH_{3}I$	2 h/rt	85
5n	$4-Cl-C_6H_4$	EtBr	5 h/50°C	68
50	$4-Cl-C_6H_4$	<i>n</i> -PrBr	$3 \text{ h}/50^{\circ}\text{C}$	73
5p	$4-Cl-C_6H_4$	<i>n</i> -BuBr	$3 \text{ h}/50^{\circ}\text{C}$	87
5q	$4-Cl-C_6H_4$	$PhCH_2Cl$	$2 \text{ h}/50^{\circ}\text{C}$	77
5r	4-Cl-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	$ClCH_2COOEt$	$3 \text{ h}/50^{\circ}\text{C}$	83

**TABLE I** Preparation of 2-Thioxo-4-imidazolidinones 4

 and 4H-Imidazol-4-ones 5

\*Isolated yields of **4** or **5** based on iminophosphorane **1** or imidazolidinone **4**, respectively.

#### EXPERIMENTAL

Melting points were uncorrected. MS were measured on a Finnigan Trace MS spectrometer. IR were recorded on a PE-983 infrared spectrometer as KBr pellets with absorption in cm<sup>-1</sup>. NMR were recorded in CDCl<sub>3</sub> or dimethylsulfoxide (DMSO)- $d_6$  on a Varian Mercury 400 spectrometer, and resonances are given in ppm ( $\delta$ ) relative to tetramethyl silane (TMS). Elementary analyses were taken on a Vario EL III elementary analysis instrument.

#### Preparation of 3-Phenylamino-2-thioxo-4imidazolidinones 4

To a solution of vinyliminophosphorane  $1^{10}$  (5 mmol) in dry methylene chloride (15 ml) was added excess carbon disufide (5 ml). After the reaction mixture was refluxed for 28 h, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and ether/petroleum ether (1:2, 20 ml) was added to precipitate triphenylphosphine sulfide, which was removed by filtration. The filtrate was evaporated to give isothiocyanate **2**, which was

Compound	Fusarium oxysporum	Pyricularia oryzae	Botrytis Cinerea Pers.	Gibberella zeae	Cercospora beticola Sacc.
5a	37	53	47	14	39
5b	34	47	61	22	44
5c	43	55	73	43	51
5d	40	60	45	49	41
5e	29	38	55	0	54
5f	26	43	64	22	34
5g	43	53	66	32	41
5h	40	45	64	27	49
<b>5</b> i	54	64	77	43	56
5j	57	68	84	38	78
5k	29	43	64	30	51
51	54	77	91	49	61
5m	34	47	55	38	54
5n	19	38	52	43	32
50	23	31	45	31	26
5р	46	53	77	41	46
5q	31	47	84	43	52
5r	35	50	84	40	39
Carbendazim	100	81	85	100	11

**TABLE II** Fungicidal Activities of 4H-imidazol-4-ones **5** (50 mg/l, Relative Inhibition of Growth %)

used directly without further purification. To a solution of the crude **2** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN (15 ml) was added phenylhydrazine (0.54 g, 5 mmol) and solid potassium carbonate (0.05 g). The mixture was stirred for 2–3 h at 40–50°C and was filtered. The filtrate was condensed, and the residual was recrystallized from methylene chloride/petroleum ether to give 3-phenylamino-2-thioxo-4-imidazolidinones **4**.

#### 3-Phenylamino-5-phenylmethylene-2-thioxo-4imidazolidinone (4a)

Yellow crystals, m.p. 195–196°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz);  $\delta$  8.87 (s, 1H, NH), 7.50–6.86 (m, 11H, Ar–H and =CH), 6.54 (s, 1H, NHPh). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>); 3330 and 3209 (NH), 1734 (C=O), 1653, 1466, 1266. MS (m/z, %): 295 (M<sup>+</sup>, 100), 262 (7), 234 (11), 160 (54), 77 (88). Elemental Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>13</sub>N<sub>3</sub>OS: C, 65.06; H, 4.44; N, 14.23. Found: C, 65.12; H, 4.35; N, 14.27.

#### 3-Phenylamino-5-(4-chlorophenylmethylene)-2-thioxo-4imidazolidinone (4b)

Yellow crystals, m.p. 231–232°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz);  $\delta$  8.84 (s, 1H, NH), 7.49–6.84 (m, 10H, Ar–H and =CH), 6.51 (s, 1H, NHPh). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>); 3294 and 3212 (NH), 1722 (C=O), 1651, 1460, 1263. MS (m/z,

%): 331 (35), 329 (M<sup>+</sup>, 100), 238 (7), 194 (25), 151 (59), 93 (82). Elemental Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{16}H_{12}ClN_3OS$ : C, 58.27; H, 3.67; N, 12.74. Found: C, 58.16; H, 3.69; N, 12.81.

#### Preparation of 2-Alkylthio-3-phenylamino-5arylmethylene-4*H*-imidazol-4-ones 5

A mixture of 4 (4 mmol), alkyl halide (5 mmol), and solid potassium carbonate (1.11 g, 8 mmol) in  $CH_3CN$  (30 ml) was stirred for 2–5 h at room temperature or 50°C and was filtered. The filtrate was condensed, and the residue was recrystallized from methylene chloride/petroleum ether to give 2-alkylthio-3-phenylamino-5-arylmethylene-4*H*-imidazol-4-ones **5**.

### 2-Methylthio-3-phenylamino-5-phenylmethylene-4Himidazol-4-one (5a)

Yellow crystals, m.p. 180–181°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz);  $\delta$  8.20–6.76 (m, 11H, Ar–H and =CH), 6.36 (s, 1H, NH), 2.68 (s, 3H, SCH<sub>3</sub>). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>); 3344 (NH), 1725 (C=O), 1638, 1499, 1240, 1140. MS (m/z, %): 309 (M<sup>+</sup>, 20), 234 (7), 165 (11), 116 (66), 92 (100). Elemental Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>3</sub>OS: C, 66.00; H, 4.89; N, 13.58. Found: C, 66.16; H, 4.81; N, 13.63.

#### 2-Ethylthio-3-phenylamino-5-phenylmethylene-4Himidazol-4-one (5b)

Light yellow crystals, m.p. 169–170°C, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  8.13–6.71 (m, 11H, Ar–H and =CH), 6.18 (s, 1H, NH), 3.25 (q, 2H, J=7.2 Hz, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 1.44 (t, 3H, J=7.2 Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3282 (NH), 1719 (C=O), 1638, 1497, 1244, 1142. MS (m/z, %): 323 (M<sup>+</sup>, 89), 295 (19), 262 (23), 234 (42), 179 (61), 92 (100). Elemental Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>3</sub>OS: C, 66.85; H, 5.30; N, 12.99. Found: C, 66.91; H, 5.48; N, 12.92.

#### 2-(n-Propylthio)-3-phenylamino-5-phenylmethylene-4Himidazol-4-one (5c)

Light yellow crystals, m.p. 150–151°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  8.12–6.69 (m, 11H, Ar–H and =CH), 6.24 (s, 1H, NH), 3.21 (t, 2H, J=7.2 Hz, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 1.84–1.78 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.03 (t, 3H, J=7.2 Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3284 (NH), 1711 (C=O), 1628, 1492, 1253, 1138. MS (m/z, %): 337 (M<sup>+</sup>, 58), 295 (52), 262 (36), 234 (41), 193 (49), 92 (100). Elemental Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>3</sub>OS: C, 67.63; H, 5.68; N, 12.45. Found: C, 67.71; H, 5.69; N, 12.31.

#### 2-(n-Butylthio)-3-phenylamino-5-phenylmethylene-4Himidazol-4-one (5d)

Light yellow crystals, m.p. 126–128°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  8.20–6.76 (m, 11H, Ar–H and =CH), 6.29 (s, 1H, NH), 3.30 (t, 2H, J = 7.2 Hz, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 1.86–1.49 (m, 4H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.00 (t, 3H, J = 7.2 Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>), 3278 (NH), 1711 (C=O), 1637, 1497, 1252, 1141. MS (m/z, %): 351 (M<sup>+</sup>, 29), 295 (17), 234 (6), 151 (19), 92 (100). Elemental Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>3</sub>OS: C, 68.35; H, 6.02; N, 11.96. Found: C, 68.28; H, 6.14; N, 12.05.

#### 2-(n-Hexylthio)-3-phenylamino-5-phenylmethylene-4Himidazol-4-one (5e)

Light yellow crystals, m.p. 106–107°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  8.20–6.76 (m, 11H, Ar–H and =CH), 6.31 (s, 1H, NH), 3.28 (t, 2H, J=7.2 Hz, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 1.87–1.35 (m, 8H, (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>4</sub>), 0.91 (t, 3H, J=7.2 Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3325 (NH), 1733 (C=O), 1637, 1493, 1245, 1143. MS (m/z, %): 379 (M<sup>+</sup>, 37), 295 (41), 234 (8), 151 (24), 92 (100). Elemental Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>25</sub>N<sub>3</sub>OS: C, 69.62; H, 6.64; N, 11.07. Found: C, 69.48; H, 6.67; N, 11.14.

#### 2-Phenylmethylthio-3-phenylamino-5-phenylmethylene-4H-imidazol-4-one (5f)

Light yellow crystals, m.p. 200–201°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  8.22–6.74 (m, 16H, Ar–H and =CH), 6.27 (s, 1H, NH), 4.54 (s, 2H, SCH<sub>2</sub>). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3332 (NH), 1720 (C=O), 1638, 1494, 1252, 1141. MS (m/z, %): 385 (M<sup>+</sup>, 29), 295 (9), 236 (58), 116 (30), 91 (100). Elemental Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>3</sub>OS: C, 71.66; H, 4.97; N, 10.90. Found: C, 71.73; H, 4.88; N, 10.95.

### 2-Cyanomethylthio-3-phenylamino-5-phenylmethylene-4H-imidazol-4-one (5g)

Light yellow crystals, m.p.  $218-220^{\circ}$ C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  9.04 (s, 1H, NH), 8.33–6.70 (m, 11H, Ar–H and =CH), 4.41 (s, 2H, SCH<sub>2</sub>). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3272 (NH), 2246 (CN), 1718 (C=O), 1637, 1499, 1258, 1139. MS (m/z, %): 334 (M<sup>+</sup>, 45), 295 (4), 236 (13), 116 (60), 92 (100). Elemental Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>14</sub>N<sub>4</sub>OS: C, 64.65; H, 4.22; N, 16.75. Found: C, 64.77; H, 4.39; N, 16.92.

#### 2-Benzoylmethylthio-3-phenylamino-5-phenylmethylene-4 H-imidazol-4-one (5h)

Light yellow crystals, m.p. 201–202°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  8.14–6.82 (m, 16H, Ar–H and =CH), 6.26 (s, 1H, NH), 4.77 (s, 2H, SCH<sub>2</sub>). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3312 (NH), 1722 and 1688 (C=O), 1637, 1492, 1256,

1143; MS (m/z, %), 413 (M<sup>+</sup>, 4), 381 (13), 296 (4), 116 (17), 105 (100). Elemental Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S: C, 69.71; H, 4.63; N, 10.16. Found: C, 69.75; H, 4.51; N, 10.15.

#### 2-Aminocarbonylmethylthio-3-phenylamino-5phenylmethylene-4 H-imidazol-4-one (5i)

Light yellow crystals, m.p. 182–184°C, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>, 400 MHz)  $\delta$  8.94 (s, 1H, NHPh), 7.81 and 7.32 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 8.28–6.69 (m, 11H, Ar–H and =CH), 4.02 (s, 2H, SCH<sub>2</sub>); IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>), 3433 and 3327 (NH and NH<sub>2</sub>), 1738 and 1661 (C=O), 1639, 1493, 1260, 1143. MS (m/z, %), 352 (M<sup>+</sup>, 7), 295 (48), 207 (12), 116 (78), 92 (100). Elemental Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S: C, 61.35; H, 4.58; N, 15.90. Found: C, 61.31; H, 4.64; N, 15.74.

#### 2-Ethoxycarbonylmethylthio-3-phenylamino-5phenylmethylene-4 H-imidazol-4-one (5j)

Light yellow crystals, m.p. 159–160°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  8.15–6.80 (m, 11H, Ar–H and =CH), 6.28 (s, 1H, NH), 4.27 (q, 2H, J=7.2 Hz, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.06 (s, 2H, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 1.32 (t, 3H, J=7.2 Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3270 (NH), 1737 and 1724 (C=O), 1633, 1502, 1258, 1140. MS (m/z, %): 381 (M<sup>+</sup>, 93), 353 (12), 336 (15), 295 (24), 262 (54), 191 (76), 92 (100). Elemental Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S: C, 62.98; H, 5.02; N, 11.02. Found: C, 62.84; H, 5.24; N, 10.06.

#### 2-Methoxycarbonylmethylthio-3-phenylamino-5phenylmethylene-4 H-imidazol-4-one (5k)

Light yellow crystals, m.p. 136–138°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  8.15–6.79 (m, 11H, Ar–H and =CH), 6.32 (s, 1H, NH), 4.05 (s, 2H, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.82 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3283 (NH), 1744 and 1721 (C=O), 1634, 1504, 1258, 1141. MS (m/z, %): 367 (M<sup>+</sup>, 7), 331 (100), 116 (81), 92 (84). Elemental Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S: C, 62.11; H, 4.66; N, 11.44. Found: C, 62.10; H, 4.85; N, 11.37.

#### 2-(1-Ethoxycarbonylethylthio)-3-phenylamino-5phenylmethylene-4 H-imidazol-4-one (5l)

Light yellow crystals, m.p. 139–140°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  8.16–6.78 (m, 11H, Ar–H and =CH), 6.29 (s, 1H, NH), 4.62 (q, 1H, J=7.6 Hz, SCH), 4.29–4.19 (m, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 1.73 (d, 3H, J=7.6 Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.29 (t, 3H, J=7.2 Hz, COOCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3279 (NH), 1728 and 1711 (C=O), 1635, 1495, 1254, 1139. MS (m/z, %): 395 (M<sup>+</sup>, 53), 350 (12), 295 (45), 262 (25), 151 (46), 92 (100). Elemental Anal.

Calcd. for  $C_{21}H_{21}N_3O_3S$ : C, 63.78; H, 5.35; N, 10.62. Found: C, 63.65; H, 5.29; N, 10.74.

#### 2-Methylthio-3-phenylamino-5-(4-chlorophenylmethylene)-4 H-imidazol-4-one (5m)

Yellow crystals, m.p. 187–189°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  8.13–6.76 (m, 10H, Ar–H and =CH), 6.33 (s, 1H, NH), 2.67 (s, 3H, SCH<sub>3</sub>). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3359 (NH), 1714 (C=O), 1626, 1488, 1248, 1139. MS (m/z, %): 345 (30), 343 (M<sup>+</sup>, 99), 296 (31), 268 (34), 150 (51), 92 (100). Elemental Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>14</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>OS: C, 59.39; H, 4.10; N, 12.22. Found: C, 59.33; H, 4.23; N, 12.14.

#### 2-Ethylthio-3-phenylamino-5-(4-chlorophenylmethylene)-4H-imidazol-4-one (5n)

Light yellow crystals, m.p. 189–191°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  8.12–6.75 (m, 10H, Ar–H and =CH), 6.33 (s, 1H, NH), 3.29 (q, 2H, J=7.2 Hz, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 1.50 (t, 3H, J=7.2 Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3330 (NH), 1713 (C=O), 1635, 1486, 1250, 1144. MS (m/z, %): 359 (3), 357 (M<sup>+</sup>, 10), 150 (82), 92 (100). Elemental Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>16</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>OS: C, 60.41; H, 4.51; N, 11.74. Found: C, 60.56; H, 4.54; N, 11.64.

#### 2-(n-Propylthio)-3-phenylamino-5-(4-chlorophenylmethylene)-4 H-imidazol-4-one (50)

Light yellow crystals, m.p. 171–173°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  8.14–6.77 (m, 10H, Ar–H and =CH), 6.24 (s, 1H, NH), 3.28 (t, 2H, J=7.2 Hz, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 1.92–1.86 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.10 (t, 3H, J=7.2 Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3282 (NH), 1715 (C=O), 1634, 1493, 1251, 1143. MS (m/z, %): 373 (10), 371 (M<sup>+</sup>, 28), 329 (16), 151 (30), 92 (100). Elemental Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>18</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>OS: C, 61.37; H, 4.88; N, 11.30. Found: C, 61.43; H, 4.72; N, 11.33.

#### 2-(n-Butylthio)-3-phenylamino-5-(4-chlorophenylmethylene)-4H-imidazol-4-one (5p)

Light yellow crystals, m.p. 170–172°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  8.14–6.77 (m, 10H, Ar–H and =CH), 6.23 (s, 1H, NH), 3.29 (t, 2H, J=7.2 Hz, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 1.86–1.50 (m, 4H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.01 (t, 3H, J=7.2 Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3286 (NH), 1716 (C=O), 1637, 1494, 1252, 1144. MS (m/z, %): 387 (18), 385 (M<sup>+</sup>, 46), 329 (25), 268 (8), 151 (46), 92 (100). Elemental Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>20</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>OS: C, 62.25; H, 5.22; N, 10.89. Found: C, 62.31; H, 5.28; N, 10.75.

#### 2-Phenylmethylthio-3-phenylamino-5-(4-chlorophenylmethylene)-4 H-imidazol-4-one (5q)

Light yellow crystals, m.p. 208–210°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  8.15–6.76 (m, 15H, Ar–H and =CH), 6.22 (s, 1H, NH), 4.53 (s, 2H, SCH<sub>2</sub>). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3283 (NH), 1722 (C=O), 1632, 1492, 1258, 1139. MS (*m*/*z*, %): 421 (3), 419 (M<sup>+</sup>, 8), 270 (18), 150 (13), 91 (100). Elemental Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>18</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>OS: C, 65.79; H, 4.32; N, 10.01. Found: C, 65.75; H, 4.24; N, 10.18.

#### 2-Ethoxycarbonylmethylthio-3-phenylamino-5-(4-chlorophenylmethylene)-4 H-imidazol-4-one (5r)

Light yellow crystals, m.p. 168–169°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  8.09–6.80 (m, 10H, Ar–H and =CH), 6.29 (s, 1H, NH), 4.26 (q, 2H, J=7.2 Hz, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.04 (s, 2H, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 1.31 (t, 3H, J=7.2 Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3342 (NH), 1743 and 1717 (C=O), 1636, 1499, 1257, 1140. MS (m/z, %): 417 (14), 415 (M<sup>+</sup>, 38), 267 (8), 191 (12), 150 (34), 92 (100). Elemental Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>18</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S: C, 57.76; H, 4.36; N, 10.10. Found: C, 57.88; H, 4.42; N, 10.03.

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