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FACILE SYNTHESIS OF SOME NEW PYRAZOLE-BASED 2-THIOXO-4-THIAZOLIDINONE

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GRAPHICAL ABSTRACT



Abstract 5-Ethoxymethylene-2-thioxo-4-thiazolidinone (1) reacts with hydrazine hydrate at room temperature to afford 5-(hydrazinylmethylene)-2-thioxo-4-thiazolidinone (3). Compound 3 condensed with different aromatic aldehydes 6a-d in ethanol in the presence of a few drops of piperidine to give the corresponding Schiff's bases 7a-d. On the other hand, compound 3 reacts with o-hydroxybenzaldehyde derivatives 8a and 8b in refluxing ethanol catalyzed by a few drops of piperidine to yield 1H-inadzolyl-2-thioxo-4-thiazolidinones 9a and 9b. Reaction of compound 3 with α -ketoesters 10a and 10b or α -diketones 10c-e in refluxing glacial acetic acid furnished the pyrazolyl-2-thioxo-4-thiazolidinone derivatives 11a-e. Also, compound 3 reacts with some different enaminones 12a-f in refluxing glacial acetic acid to afford the new pyrazolyl-2-thioxo-4-thiazolidinone derivatives 13a-f. Pyrazoles 15a-d was obtained via reaction of compound 3 with chalcones 14a-d in dimethylformamide (DMF). The structures of all the newly synthesized products were confirmed on the basis of their elemental and spectral data, and a plausible mechanism has been postulated to account for their formation.

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Color versions of one or more of the figures in the article can be found online at www.tandfonline. com/lsyc. **Keywords** 5-Ethoxymethylene-2-thioxo-4-thiazolidinone; 5-hydrazinylmethylene-2-thioxo-4-thiazolidinone; 5-pyrazolyl-2-thioxo-4-thiazolidinones

INTRODUCTION

2-Thioxo-4-thiazolidinone has a wide spectrum of biological activity as antibacterial,^[1-3] antiviral,^[4] antidiabetic,^[5] antitubercular,^[6,7] anti-HIV,^[8,9] antiparasitic,^[10] hypnotic,^[11] and anathematic agents^[12] and as intermediates in the synthesis of dyes. 2-Thioxo-4-thiazolidinone-based molecules have been popular as small molecule inhibitors of numerous targets such as HCV protease, aldo reductase, and others.^[13] Also, pyrazoles have diverse and interesting of biological activities such as antiviral,^[14] antibacterial,^[15,16] antifungal, ^[17] anti-inflammatory,^[18,19] analgesic,^[20] and other activities.^[21,22] We have worked to synthesize heterocyclic systems containing thiazolidine rings.^[23–33] In view of all this, it is interesting to construct new heterocyclic systems containing both thiazolidinone and pyrazole rings, starting from 5-ethoxymethylene-2-thioxo-4-thiazolidinone (1) as key synthon for our objective.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

5-Ethoxymethylene-2-thioxo-4-thiazolidinone (1) reacts with hydrazine hydrate at room temperature to afford a colored product 3 (Scheme 1). The structure of the isolated product 3 was confirmed by its elemental analysis and spectral data (infrared [IR], ¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR, and mass spectrometry [MS]). The IR spectrum of the reaction product showed absorption bands at ν_{max} 3424, 3215, 3050, and 1680 cm⁻¹ corresponding to NH₂, NH, and CO groups, respectively. The ¹H NMR spectrum of product revealed the disappearance of the usual quartet and triplet signals of ethoxy protons and instead revealed three D_2O exchangeable singlet signals at $\delta = 5.01$, 9.30, and 12.48 ppm attributable the NH₂ and the two NH protons, respectively, in addition to a singlet signal at $\delta = 7.36$ ppm assigned to vinylic CH proton. Also, ¹³C NMR showed signals at $\delta = 110$, 149, 165, 191 ppm corresponding to vinylic (CH=C-), carbonyl (CO), and thiocarbonyl (C=S) carbons. Elemental analysis with mass spectrum m/z 175 (M⁺) established the formula C₄H₅N₃OS₂, which indicated that the reaction between compound 1 and hydrazine hydrate proceeded with elimination of ethanol. Based on these data, structure 3 was assigned for the product and the other structure 2 was ruled out. Similarly, the reaction of compound 1 with ethyl hydrazinecarboxylate in ethanol at room temperature or refluxing in absolute ethanol gave the corresponding ethyl 2-[(4-oxo-2-thioxothiazolidin-5-ylidene) methyl]hydrazine-1-carboxylate (5). Spectral and analytical data are in complete agreement with structure 5, which was assigned for this product (Scheme 1).

Condensation of compound **3** with different aromatic aldehydes **6a–d** in ethanol in the presence of a few drops of piperidine gave the corresponding Schiff's bases **7a–d** (Scheme 2). The structure of the isolated products was inferred from their analytical and spectral data. Thus, IR spectrum of compound **7a** taken as typical example of the prepared series **7a–d** showed absorption bands at ν_{max} 3220, 3017, and 1680 cm⁻¹ corresponding to NH and CO groups, respectively. The ¹H NMR spectrum of product **7a** revealed a singlet signal at $\delta = 7.58$ ppm attributable



Scheme 1. Synthetic route to 5-hydrazinyl-2-thioxo-4-thiazolidinone (3) and ethyl 2-[(4-oxo-2-thioxothiazolidin-5-ylidene)methyl]hydrazine-1-carboxylate (5).



Scheme 2. Synthetic pathway to 4-thiazolidinones 7a-d and 5-[1H-indazol-1-yl] methylene]-4-thiazolidinone derivatives 9a and b.

to olefinic CH proton and two board singlet signals at $\delta = 11.87$ and 12.92 ppm assigned to the two NH protons. The 13 C NMR of compound 7a revealed a signal at $\delta = 145$ ppm due to -CH=N carbon, beside to the other expected signals for aromatic and thiazolidine carbons. The mass spectrum together with the elemental analysis are in consistent with the structure 7. On the other hand, compound 3 reacts with o-hydroxybenzldehyde derivatives 8a and b in refluxing ethanol catalyzed by few drops of piperidine to yield colored solids 9a and b. The structure of 9 was confirmed by elemental analysis and spectral data (IR, ¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR, and MS). The IR spectrum of the isolated product 9a showed absorption bands at ν_{max} 3200 and 1676 cm⁻¹ corresponding to NH and CO groups. ¹H NMR spectrum of this isolated product revealed two singlet signals at $\delta = 7.55$ and 8.52 ppm due to the olfinic and pyrazole protons, respectively. Besides the expected protons for aromatic and NH protons. Also, ¹³C NMR showed signal at $\delta = 141$ ppm due to pyrazole carbon (C=N), in addition to the expected signals assigned for aromatic and thiazolidine carbons. The mass spectrum with elemental analysis are assigned the structures 9a and b.

Our study was extended to construct a pyrazole moiety on thiazole ring which has wide applications in different biological and medicinal fields beside their application in organic chemistry. Thus, the reaction of compound **3** with α -ketoester **10a** and **b** or α -diketones **10c**–**e** in refluxing glacial acetic acid gave the 5-pyrazolyl-2thioxo-4-thiazolidinone derivatives **11a**–**e** (Scheme 3). The structures were confirmed on their elemental analysis and spectral data (IR, ¹H NMR, and MS). The IR spectrum of the isolated product **11a** showed absorption bands at ν_{max} 3223–3110, 1687, and 1681 cm⁻¹ corresponding to NH and two CO groups. ¹H NMR spectrum of this isolated product revealed two broad singlet signals at $\delta = 12.76$ and 13.13 ppm due to two NH protons, in addition to two singlet signals at $\delta = 7.13$ and 7.71 ppm corresponding to olefinic and pyrazole protons,



Scheme 3. Synthetic route to 5-pyrazoyl-2-thioxo-4-thiazolidinone derivatives 11a-e.



Scheme 4. Synthetic pathway to 5-pyrazoyl-4-thiazolidinone derivatives 13a-f and 15a-d.

respectively. The mass spectrum with elemental analysis are in agreement with the proposed structure **11**.

Also, compound 3 reacts with some different enaminones 12a-f in refluxing in glacial acetic acid to afford the new pyrazole derivatives 13a-f (Scheme 4). The structures were confirmed by elemental analysis and spectral data (IR, ¹H NMR, and MS). The IR spectrum of the isolated product 13a showed absorption bands at ν_{max} 3121, 1684 cm⁻¹ corresponding to NH and CO groups. ¹H NMR spectrum of this isolated product revealed three singlet signals at $\delta = 7.20$, 7.94, and 8.37 ppm due to olefinic and pyrazole protons, respectively. In addition to a broad signal at $\delta =$ 12.86 ppm corresponding to NH proton. The mass spectrum with elemental analysis is in agreement with the proposed structure 13. The formation of 13 was assumed to proceed via elimination of dimethylamine molecule, followed by dehydrative cyclization to 5-pyrazolyl-4-thiazolidinone derivative 13. Cyclocondensation of compound 3 with chalcones 14a-d in refluxing acetic acid afforded isolated products 15a-d (Scheme 4). The structure of compounds 15a-d was established by elemental analysis and spectral data (IR, ¹H NMR, and MS). The IR spectrum of product 15a showed absorption bands at ν_{max} 3218, 1683, and cm⁻¹ corresponding to NH and CO groups. Also, ¹H NMR spectrum of product 15a revealed a broad signal at $\delta = 12.85$ ppm corresponding to NH. The formation of 15 was assumed to proceed via Michael addition followed by dehydrative cyclization to 5-pyrazolyl-4-thiazolidinone derivative 15 (Scheme 4).

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, we have described an efficient synthesis of some new 5-[(2-benzylidenehydrazinyl)methylene]-2-thioxothiazolidin-4-ones, 5-[1*H*-Indazol-1-yl) methylene]-4-thiazolidinones, and 5-pyrazoyl-2-thioxo-4-thiazolidinones via the

reaction of readily accessible starting material, 5-(hydrazinylmethylene)-2-thioxo-4-thiazolidinone, with some chemical reagents.

SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL

Supplemental data for this article can be accessed on the publisher's website.

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