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ABSTRACT

Fourteen diaryl thioureas which are physiologically active have been synthesized in the solid state at room temperature. The reaction needs only simple equipment and gives excellent yields.

In recent years, particularly intense interest has been directed towards the generation of small organic molecules by solid state reactions.¹ These reactions are especially appealing because they have such advantages as high efficiency and selectivity,² easy separation and purification, mild reaction conditions,³ and environmental acceptability.^{4,5} This approach has been widely used in a variety of organic reactions including substitution,⁶ condensation,⁷ oxidation-reduction,^{8,9} rearrangement¹⁰ and elimination.¹¹ However, the solid state addition to thiocyanates of aromatic primary amines has not been reported.

Recently, we found that the addition of thiocyanates and aromatic primary amine to form diaryl thioureas can easily be achieved in the solid state.

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N,N'-Disubstituted thioureas are known to exhibit antiviral,¹² antituberculous,¹³ fungicidal,¹⁴ and herbicidal¹⁵ activities. Generally, the preparation of these compounds has been carried out in solution.

In this paper, a new solid state addition of thiocyanates and aromatic primary amine is studied and fourteen diaryl thioureas have been synthesized in excellent yields at room temperature. This method requires only simple equipment and short reaction time. The structures of the products were confirmed by IR and ¹H NMR spectroscopy, and by elemental analysis.



d: X=Cl, A=Cl	e: X=Cl, A=Br	f. X=CI, A=I
g: X=Br, A=CH ₃	h: X=Br, A=OCH ₃	i: X=Br, $A=\alpha-C_{10}H_7$
j: X=Br , A=Br	k: X=Br, A=I	l: X=OEt, A=CH ₃
m:X=OEt,A=OCH ₃	n: X=OEt, A= α -C ₁₀ H ₇	

Scheme 1.

EXPERIMENTAL

Melting points were determined with a Kofler micro melting point apparatus and were uncorrected. IR spectra were recorded on a SP3-300 spectrophotometer in KBr. ¹H NMR spectra were measured on a Bruker DPX-400M spectrometer using TMS as internal standard and CDCl₃ as solvent. Elemental analyses were performed on PE-2400 CHN elemental analyser.

General Procedure

A mixture of aryl isothiocyanate¹⁶ (1 mmol) and aromatic primary amine (1 mmol) was ground thoroughly in an agate mortar. The reaction was traced with thin-layer chromatography. After the reaction was complete $(5\sim40 \text{ min})$, the crude products were recrystallized with ethanol or acetone, and dried under vacuum to yield the pure products.

2a: white–tabular; Yield: 95.2%; m.p. 174–176°C; IR (KBr) ν : 3210, 3030, 2985, 2850, 1595, 1490, 1250, 830 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 2.367 (s, 3H, CH₃), 7.20l~7.367 (m, 8H, Ar–H), 7.791(s, 1H, NH), 8.098(s, 1H, NH); Calcd. for C₁₄H₁₃N₂SCl: C, 60.76; H, 4.70; N, 10.13. Found: C, 60.51; H, 4.45; N, 9.96.

2b: white-tabular; Yield: 98.0%; m.p. 176–178°C; IR (KBr) ν : 3215, 3030, 2990, 2850, 1600, 1500, 1350, 1250, 840 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 3.828 (s, 3H, CH₃), 6.937~7.373 (m, 8H, Ar–H), 7.592 (s, 1H, NH), 7.877 (s, 1H, NH); Calcd. for C₁₄H₁₃N₂SClO: C, 57.44; H, 4.44; N, 9.57. Found: C, 57.31; H, 4.25; N, 9.30.

2c: white-needle; Yield: 97.7%; m.p. 188–190°C; IR (KBr) ν : 3220, 3030, 1595,1500, 1235, 820, 780 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 7.261~7.961 (m, 11H, Ar–H), 8.052–8.072 (d, 2H, NH); Calcd. for C₁₇H₁₃N₂SCl: C, 65.28; H, 4.16; N, 8.96. Found: C, 65.12; H, 3.89; N, 8.67.

2d: white–stick; Yield: 90.4%; m.p. 174–176°C; IR (KBr) ν : 3220, 3180, 3030, 1590, 1550, 1490, 1245, 820 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 7.303~7.402 (m, 8H, Ar–H), 7.815 (s, 2H, NH); Calcd. for C₁₃H₁₀N₂SCl₂: C, 52.70; H, 3.38; N, 9.46. Found: C, 52.45; H, 3.02; N, 9.09.

2e: white–stick; Yield: 92.1%; m.p.179–181°C; IR (KBr) ν : 3210, 3030, 1595, 1495, 1235, 830 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 7.261~7.553 (m, 8H, Ar–H), 7.728~7.742 (d, 2H, NH); Calcd. for C₁₃H₁₀N₂SBrCl: C, 45.81; H, 2.94; N, 8.22. Found: C, 45.50; H, 2.72; N, 7.97.

2f: pale–red–stick; Yield: 91.9%; m.p. 180–182°C; IR (KBr) ν : 3220, 3030, 1600, 1500, 1240, 825 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 7.255~7.546 (m, 8H, Ar–H), 7.723~7.438 (d, 2H, NH); Calcd. for C₁₃H₁₀N₂SCII: C, 40.26; H, 2.58; N, 7.23. Found: C, 40.01; H, 2.33; N, 6.95.

2g: white-tabular; Yield: 97.0%; m.p. 180–182°C; IR (KBr) ν : 3220, 3030, 2990, 2850, 1600, 1495, 1350, 1245, 835 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 2.372 (s, 3H, CH₃), 7.210~7.376 (m, 8H, Ar–H), 7.801 (s, 1H, NH), 8.120 (s, 1H, NH); Calcd. for C₁₄H₁₃N₂SBr: C, 52.34; H, 4.05; N, 8.72. Found: C, 52.14; H, 3.76; N, 8.41.

2h: white-tabular; Yield: 93.7%; m.p. 182–184°C; IR (KBr) ν : 3215, 3030, 2985, 2850, 1595, 1550, 1350, 1250, 840 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 3.821(s, 3H, CH₃), 6.940~7.541 (m, 8H, Ar–H), 7.546 (s, 1H, NH), 7.841 (s, 1H, NH); Calcd. for C₁₄H₁₃N₂SBrO: C, 49.85; H, 3.86; N, 8.31. Found: C, 49.72; H, 3.57; N, 8.02.

2i: white–needle; Yield: 92.9%; m.p. 182–183°C; IR (KBr) ν : 3220, 3030, 1595, 1495, 1235, 820, 780 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 7.267–7.968 (m, 11H, Ar–H), 8.060~8.079 (d, 2H, NH); Calcd. for C₁₇H₁₃N₂SBr: C, 57.14; H, 3.64; N, 7.84. Found: C, 56.84; H, 3.47; N, 7.56.

2j: white–tabular; Yield: 92.2%; m.p. 188–190°C; IR (KBr) ν : 3220, 3180, 3030, 1600, 1500, 1245, 825 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 7.290~7.392 (m, 8H, Ar–H), 7.820 (s, 2H, NH); Calcd. for C₁₃H₁₀N₂SBr₂: C, 40.41; H, 2.59; N, 7.25. Found: C, 40.19; H, 2.31; N, 6.98.

2k: white–tabular; Yield: 89.5%; m.p. 179–181°C; IR (KBr) ν : 3225, 3030, 1595, 1495, 1240, 820 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 7.251~7.541 (m, 8H, Ar–H), 7.720~7.433 (d, 2H, NH); Calcd. for C₁₃H₁₀N₂SBrI: C, 36.03; H, 2.31; N, 6.47. Found: C, 35.74; H, 2.02; N, 6.19.

21: white–tabular; Yield: 92.3%; m.p. 138–140°C; IR (KBr) ν : 3210, 3030, 2995, 2930, 2890, 1600, 1530, 1400, 1250, 835 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.420 (t, 3H, CH₃), 2.362 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.040 (q, 2H, CH₂), 6.910–7.690 (m, 8H, Ar–H), 7.640~7.643 (d, 2H, NH); Calcd. for C₁₆H₁₈N₂SO: C, 67.13; H, 6.29; N, 9.79. Found: C, 66.81; H, 5.92; N, 9.53.

2m: white–tabular; Yield: 90.5%; m.p. 159–160°C; IR (KBr) ν : 3215 3030, 2995, 2895, 1600, 1500, 1355, 1250, 840 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.417 (t, 3H, CH₃), 3.814 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.032 (q, 2H, CH₂) 6.902~7.631 (m, 8H, Ar–H), 7.634~7.637 (d, 2H, NH); Calcd. for C₁₆H₁₈N₂SO₂: C, 63.58; H, 5.96; N, 9.27. Found: C, 63.29; H, 5.60; N, 8.99.

2n: white-needle; Yield: 96.8%; m.p. 178–179°C; IR (KBr) ν : 3220, 3030, 2995, 2890, 1595, 1500, 1400, 1355, 825, 785 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.397(t, 3H, CH₃), 4.009 (q, 2H, CH₂), 6.871–8.002 (m, 1H, Ar–H), 8.003~8.014 (d, 2H, NH); Calcd. for C₁₉H₁₈N₂SO: C, 70.81; H, 5.59; N, 8.70. Found: C, 70.58; H, 5.33; N, 8.35.

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