



Synthesis, Spectrochemical and Antimicrobial Activity of Heterocyclic α -Diketones, Dithiosemicarbazones and of 3,13-Diacylamino-7.9-diaryl-6-methyl-4,14-dithia-1,2,8,11,12-pentazadispiro[4,4,4]tetradeca-2,12-dienes

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New heterocyclic α -diketones, their corresponding dithiosemicarbazones and dispiro compounds are prepared from 2,6-diaryl-4-piperidones. The synthesized compounds are characterized by spectral and analytical data. They are also screened for their antibacterial and antifungal activity against *Staphylococcus aureus* and *Candida albicans*.

Key Words: Piperidindiones, Dithiosemicarbazones, Dispiro tetradecadienes, Heterocyclization, Antimicrobial activity.

INTRODUCTION

1,3,4-Thiadiazoles are associated with diverse biocidal activities¹ by virtue of the toxophoric N=C-S grouping. A large number of 4-thiazolidinones have been reported to be antifungal², antibacterial³ and antileukemic⁴ agents. The substituted 1,3,4-thiadiazoles are also reported to have applications in many fields such as dyes⁵, lubricating composition, optically active liquid crystals, photographic materials and as herbicides, fungicide⁵ and bactericides in agriculture. They are also used as diuretic⁶, CNS depressants⁷, hypoglycemic⁸, antiinflammatory⁹ and antimicrobial^{10,11} agents.

One of the methods to prepare 1,3,4-thiadiazoles involve cyclization of thiosemicarbazones, which are also reported to have various applications. Thiosemicarbazones are well known as antifungal¹² and antibacterial¹² drugs. Thiosemicarbazones and their derivatives are also reported as antibacterial¹³, anti-tubercular¹⁴, antimalarial¹⁵, anticancer and antiviral drugs¹⁶.

2,6-Diaryl-4 piperidones are reported as synthons for preparing spiro heterocycles¹⁷⁻¹⁹. The introduction of an inbuilt spiro system in a heterocyclic ring may cause an increase in the biological potency of the system (since N=C-S linkage is responsible for the biological activity of many sulphur and nitrogen containing heterocyclics spiro piperidinyl-1,3,4-thiadiazolines may be expected to have biological activity. These observations led us to make an attempt to synthesise the title compounds and study their antimicrobial activity.

One of the main route available for the synthesis of 3,13-diacylamino-7.9-diaryl-6-methyl-4,14-dithia-1,2,8,11,12-pentaza dispiro[4,4,4]tetradeca-2,12-diene starts from

thiosemicarbazones and its heterocyclization with a suitable cyclizing agent.

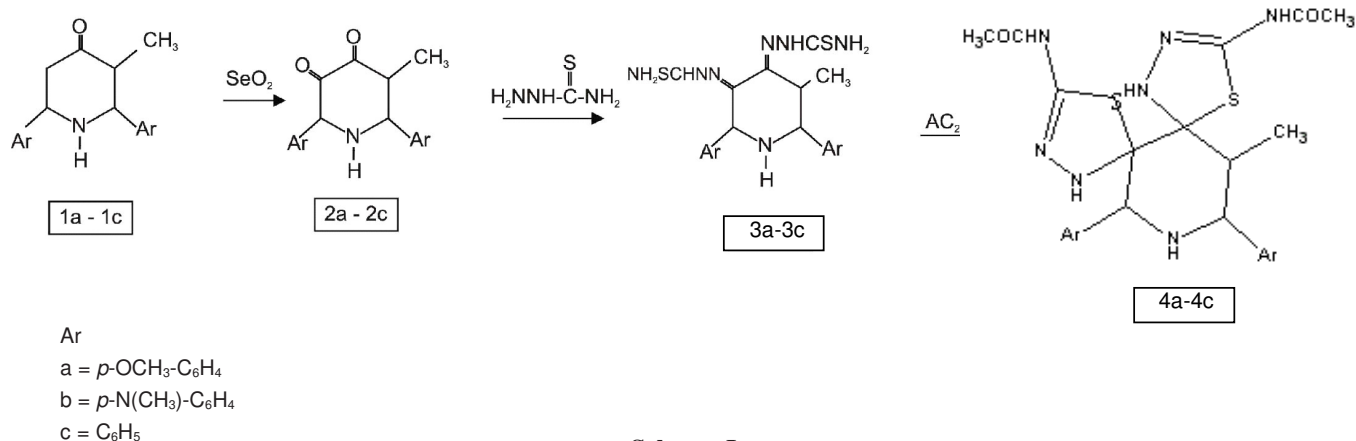
In the present work, dispiropiperidinyl thiadiazolines are synthesized from thiosemicarbazones of α -diketones. The synthon 2,6-diaryl piperidin-4-one (**1**) on oxidation with SeO₂ in presence of glacial CH₃COOH gives piperidin-4,5-dione (**2**) and this on condensation with thiosemicarbazide in alcoholic medium yielded dithiosemicarbazone (**3**), which is heterocyclized with Ac₂O and conc. H₂SO₄ to form dithiapentazadispirotetradecadiene (**4**) as shown in **Scheme-I**.

EXPERIMENTAL

Melting point of the compounds are determined in open capillaries with a Tempo apparatus and are uncorrected. IR spectra is recorded with a varian 300 instrument at 300 MHz. ¹H NMR spectra is recorded with an amx 400 instrument. Chemical shifts are reported downfield relative to tetramethyl silane and are expressed in ppm.

General procedure for preparation of 2,6-diaryl-3-methyl piperidin-4,5-diones (2a-c): Compound **1a-1c** were mixed with SeO₂ and glacial acetic acid (25 mL) and refluxed for 4 h in a water bath. Excess SeO₂ was removed by filtration and excess solvent was distilled off. Red orange filtrate was added to crushed ice and neutralized with ammonia. The solid separated was filtered, washed with water and repeated. Recrystallization from ethanol give compounds **2a-c**.

2,6-Di-(p-methoxy phenyl)-3-methyl piperidin-4,5-dione (2a): IR (KBr, ν_{\max} , cm⁻¹): 1744 and 1685 (C=O); 3252 (2° NH); 1429 (OCH₃); 3010 (aromatic C-H), 1604 (aromatic



Scheme-I

C=C skeletal), 1179 (aromatic in-plane bending) and bands below 835 (aromatic out of plane bending), ¹H NMR (δ ppm): 0.9 (3H, CH₃ at C₃); 1.2 (1H, NH); 3.8-4 (3H, OCH₃); 6.8-7.8 (8H, Ar H); 2.2 to 2.8 (m, 3H, C₂, C₆ and C₃H), ¹³C NMR (δ ppm): 198, 202, 136, 132, 130, 129, 128, 65, 59, 55, 52, 12.

2,6-Di(*p*-N,N-dimethylamino phenyl)-3-methyl piperidin-4,5-dione (2b): IR (KBr, ν_{\max} , cm⁻¹): 1770 and 1674 (C=O); 3334 (2° NH); 1409 [-N(CH₃)₂], 3010, 1674-450, 820, 725 (aromatic), ¹H NMR (δ ppm): 0.9 (d, 3H, CH₃); 1.25 (s, 1H, NH); 3.74-3.89, (m, 2H, C₂ and C₆H), 2.35 (t, 1H, C₃H) 2.1 (s, 12H, N(CH₃)₂); 7.22-7.26, (m, 8H, Ar-H). ¹³C NMR (δ ppm): 193, 198, 136, 132, 130, 129, 128, 65, 59, 52, 44, 12.

2,6-Diphenyl-3-methyl piperidin-4,5-dione (2c): IR (KBr ν_{\max} , cm⁻¹): 1776 and 1750 (C=O); 3398 (2° NH); 3010 (C-H aryl), 2900 (C-H aliphatic); 1537 (C=C aryl). ¹H NMR (δ ppm): 0.7-0.9 (d, 3H, CH₃); 1.2 (s, 1H, NH); 2.7(dd, 4H C₂, C₆ and C₅H); 6.8-7.7 (m, 8H, aryl). ¹³C NMR (δ ppm): 193, 198 (C=O at C-4, C-5).

General procedure for preparation of 2,6-diaryl-3-methyl piperidin-4,5-dithiosemicarbazones (3a-c): 2,6-Diaryl piperidin-4,5-dione (2a) (0.012 m) in ethanol (0.03 m) and a few drops of conc. HCl an ethanolic solution of thiosemicarbazide (0.03 m) was added dropwise with stirring. The reaction mixture was refluxed for 3 h on a water bath. After cooling the solid product was filtered off and recrystallized from ethanol to get 3a. Compounds 3b and 3c are prepared similarly.

2,6-Di(*p*-methoxyphenyl)-3-methyl piperidin-4,5-dithiosemicarbazone (3a): IR (KBr ν_{\max} , cm⁻¹): 1490 (C=N); 1396 (C=S); 3428 (1° NH₂); 3246 (2° NH); 1602-1458 (C=C aryl); 1414 (N-C-N). ¹H NMR (δ ppm): 0.9 (3H, CH₃ at C₃); 1.2 (1H, NH); 3.8-4 (1H, OCH₃); 8.4 (1H, C=N NHCSNH₂); 9.8 (2H, -C=N NHCSNH₂); 6.8-7.7 (8H, Ar-H).

2,6-Di(*p*-N,N-dimethyl aminophenyl)-3-methyl piperidin -4,5-dithiosemicarbazone (3b): IR (KBr ν_{\max} , cm⁻¹): 1660 (C=N); 1352 (C=S); 3450 (1° NH₂); 3324 (2° NH); 1591-1513 (C=C aryl); 1450 (N-C-N). ¹H NMR (δ ppm): 1.27 [(4H, NH and CH₃); 2.93 (12H, N(CH₃)₂); 8.22 (1H, C=NNH CSNH₂); 9.7-9.9 (2H, C=NNH CSNH₂); 6.7-7.36 (8H, ArH).

2,6-Diphenyl 3-methyl piperidin-4,5-dithiosemicarbazone (3c): IR (KBr ν_{\max} , cm⁻¹): 3410 (NH₂); 3250 (NH); 3147 (C-H aryl); 2924 (C-H ali); 1688 (C=N); 1604 (C=C aryl);

1375 (C=S). ¹H NMR (δ ppm): 0.8 (3H, CH₃ at C₃); 1.2 (1H, NH); 6.9-7.7 (8H, ArH); 8.32 (1H, C=NNH CSNH₂); 10.5 (2H, C=NNH CSNH₂).

General procedure for preparation of 3,13-diacylamino-7,9-diaryl-6-methyl-4,14-dithia-1,2,8,11,12-pentaza dispiro[4,4]tetradeca-2,12-diene (4a-c): Compound 3a (0.0041 m) was treated with freshly distilled acetic anhydride (5 mL) and conc. H₂SO₄ (1 mL) and the mixture was refluxed for 6-7 h on a water bath. Then it was poured on crushed ice, the solid mass separated was filtered, washed and dried. It was purified over neutral alumina column (ethanol-ethyl acetate 4:1) and recrystallized from ethanol to get 4a as dark brown solid. Compound 4b (as black solid) compound 4c (as coffee brown solid) were prepared similarly.

3,13-Diacylamino-7,9-di(*p*-methoxyphenyl)-6-methyl 4,14,dithia-1,2,8,11,12- pentaza dispiro[4,4]tetradeca-2,12 - diene (4a): IR (KBr, ν_{\max} , cm⁻¹): 3150 (N-H); 2973 [(C-H aryl)]; 2838 (C-H ali); 1720 (C=O); 1604 (C=N); 1542 (C=C aryl); 1256 (C-N); 1053 (N-N); 645 (C-S-C). ¹H NMR (δ ppm): 0.9 (3H, CH₃ C-3); 1.2 (1H, NH); 3.7-3.9 (12H, OCH₃ and NHCOCH₃); 6.8-7.7 (8H, ArH).

3,13-Diacylamino-7,9-di(*p*-N,N dimethylamino phenyl) -6-methyl 4,14, dithia-1,2,8,11,12-pentaza dispiro[4,4] tetradeca 2,12 -diene (4b): IR (KBr, ν_{\max} , cm⁻¹): 3149 (N-H); 2998 (C-H aryl); 2850 (C-H ali); 1600 (C=O); 1589 (C=N); 1552 (C=C aryl); 1056 (N-N); 756 (C-S-C); 2770 (N(CH₃)₂). ¹H NMR (δ ppm): 0.9 (3H, CH₃ C-3); 1.32 (1H, NH); 3.10-3.19 (12H, N(CH₃)₂, NHCOCH₃); 6.8-8 (8H, ArH).

3,13-Diacylamino-7,9-diphenyl-6-methyl 4,14, dithia-1,2,8,11,12-pentaza dispiro[4,4]tetradeca 2,12- diene (4c). IR (KBr, ν_{\max} , cm⁻¹): 3400-3200 (N-H); 2976 (C-H ali); 1716 (C=N); 1601 (C=C aryl); 1056 (N-N); 754 (N-C-S). ¹H NMR (δ ppm): 0.8 (3H, CH₃ C-3); 1.2 (1H, NH); 7-7.3 (8H, ArH); 3.32-3.9 (3H, NH COCH₃).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The present communication deals with the preparation of 3-methyl-2,6-diaryl piperidin-4-one (1) following literature procedure²⁰. Selective oxidation of the synthon 2,6-diaryl-1,4-piperidone (1) leads to α -diketone (2), which is converted to 4,5-dithiosemicarbazone (3) with thiosemicarbazides, which in turn is heterocyclized to form dispiro piperidinyl

TABLE-1

Compound	Ar	m.p. (°C)	Yield (%)	Elemental analysis (%): Found (calcd.)		
				C	H	N
2a	<i>p</i> -C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃	89	76.48	71.00 (70.80)	6.01 (6.19)	4.26 (4.13)
2b	<i>p</i> -C ₆ H ₄ N(CH ₃) ₂	79	76.68	77.33 (77.42)	5.95 (6.09)	4.93 (5.02)
2c	C ₆ H ₅	106	85.00	72.14 (72.33)	7.23 (7.40)	11.36 (11.51)
3a	<i>p</i> -C ₆ H ₄ -OCH ₃	101	52.45	53.96 (54.43)	4.91 (5.57)	19.76 (20.21)
3b	<i>p</i> -C ₆ H ₄ -N(CH ₃) ₂	97	66.83	56.03 (56.36)	6.12 (6.46)	23.78 (24.60)
3c	C ₆ H ₅	126	75.00	56.12 (56.47)	4.92 (5.42)	22.87 (23.05)
4a	<i>p</i> -C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃	140	66.91	54.51 (54.83)	5.32 (5.45)	17.01 (17.22)
4b	<i>p</i> -C ₆ H ₄ N(CH ₃) ₂	114	67.66	56.21 (56.47)	6.12 (6.12)	20.08 (21.18)
4c	C ₆ H ₅	102	59.10	55.62 (56.85)	4.86 (5.30)	18.51 (19.25)

thiadiazoline (**4**). The oxidation of 2,6-diaryl-4 piperidone is carried out with the selective oxidant SeO₂ in glacial acetic acid medium gives a good yield of piperidine 4,5-dione (**2a**). Two vibrational frequencies are observed in the region 1744 and 1685 cm⁻¹ revealing the presence of two C=O groups. The ¹H NMR spectrum of **2a** shows a signal at 3.8-4.0 δ for OCH₃, 1.2-3 δ for NH, C₂-H, C₃-H and C₆-H of piperidin nucleus. ¹³C NMR signals are observed at 198 and 202 corresponding to two C=O groups at C-4 and C-5 of the piperidone.

Nucleophilic addition of **2a** with thiosemicarbazide in presence of ethanol leads to the formation of 2,6-diaryl-piperidin-4,5-dithiosemicarbazonone (**3a**). The IR spectrum recorded the presence of >C=N stretch at 1685cm⁻¹, >C=S stretch at 1396 cm⁻¹, NH stretch at 3428 and 3241 cm⁻¹ for 1° NH₂ and 2° NH stretch of thiosemicarbazonones respectively. The proton NMR signals appeared at 3.8-4 δ for -OCH₃, 7.8-8.2 δ for NH of >C=N.NHCS NH₂ and 9.8 δ for NH₂ of >C=N.NHCS NH₂.

Heterocyclization of compound **3a** with concentrated sulphuric acid and acetic anhydride provided a fair yield of dithiapentaza dispirotetradecadiene **4a**. The IR spectrum gives frequencies at 3150 cm⁻¹ due to-NH stretch 1720 cm⁻¹ for >C=O stretch, 1604 cm⁻¹ due to for >C=N stretch 1265 cm⁻¹ for >C-N- 1053 cm⁻¹ for N-N and 645 cm⁻¹ for C-S-C. The proton NMR signals are obtained at 1.2 δ for NH 3.7-3.9 δ -OCH₃ and -NHCOCH₃. The characterization data of compounds **2-4** are given in Table-1.

The synthesized compounds are screened for their fungicidal activity against the fungi *Candida albicans* and bactericidal activity against *Staphylococcus aureus* in the concentration of 10 mg/mL in 1,4-dioxan using ciprofloxain as standard. Compounds **3a**, **3b** and **3c** showed better activity against both the fungus and bacteria whereas compounds **4a**, **4b** and **4c** showed milder activity in the concentration range observed.

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