

## Synthesis of Antibacterial Activity of Pyrimidine-2-thiones and Acetylpyrimidine-2-thiols

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Pyrimidine-2-thiones were prepared by heating chalcones with thiourea in ethanolic potassium hydroxide. 1-Acetylpyrimidine-2-thiol derivatives were prepared by the reaction of pyrimidine-2-thiones with acetyl chloride. The structures of the compounds have been confirmed by elemental analysis and spectral analysis. The antibacterial activity of the compounds have also been screened.

**Key Words:** Synthesis, Antibacterial, Pyrimidine-2-thiones, Acetylpyrimidine-2-thiols.

### INTRODUCTION

Chalcones have bactericidal-1,2-derivatives<sup>1,2</sup>. In the present work we report the synthesis of pyrimidine derivatives. In continuation of our work on pyrimidines, we report here the synthesis of some new pyrimidine-2-thiones and 1-acetylpyrimidine-2-thiols<sup>3</sup>. 2-Methyl-5-nitro-N-{4'(6''-aryl-pyrimidine-2''-thione)-phenyl}-benzenesulfonamide [2(a-j)] have been prepared by the reaction of chalcones [1(a-j)] with thiourea in ethanol in presence of potassium hydroxide, which on treatment with acetyl chloride yield 2-methyl-5-nitro-N-{4'-(1''-acetyl-6''-aryl-pyrimidine-2''-thiol)-phenyl}-benzenesulfonamide [3(a-j)].

### EXPERIMENTAL

All the melting points were taken in open capillary tube and are uncorrected. The IR spectra were recorded with KBr pellets on Parkin-Elmer 783 spectrophotometer. Starting materials [1(a-j)] were synthesized from the appropriate acetophenones and aromatic aldehydes according to known procedures<sup>3</sup>.

#### Synthesis of 2-methyl-5-nitro-N-{4'-(6''-aryl-pyrimidine-2''-thione)-phenyl}-benzene-sulfonamide<sup>4</sup> [2(a-j)]

A mixture of chalcone (0.01 mole), thiourea (0.01 mole) and potassium hydroxide (1g) in ethanol (95%, 30 mL) were refluxed on water bath at 70–80°C for 3 h. After keeping overnight, the solid obtained was collected and crystallized from benzene (Table-1) (Scheme-1).

IR (KBr): 1600–1580  $\text{cm}^{-1}$   $\nu(\text{C}=\text{N})$ ; 3350–3300  $\text{cm}^{-1}$   $\nu(\text{—NH})$  and 1250–1215  $\text{cm}^{-1}$   $\nu(\text{C}=\text{S})$ .

#### Synthesis of 2-methyl-5-nitro-N-{4'-(1''-acetyl-6''-aryl-pyrimidine-2''-thiol)-phenyl}-benzenesulfonamide [3(a-j)]

A mixture of pyrimidine-2-thione (0.0025 mole) and acetyl chloride (8.0 mL) were heated under reflux on a water-bath at 35–45°C for 2 h. Excess of acetyl chloride was evaporated and the oil obtained was treated with light petroleum ether and crystallized from benzene (Table-2).

IR (KBr): 1750–1700  $\text{cm}^{-1}$   $\nu(\text{N—C=O})$  and 160–1590  $\text{cm}^{-1}$   $\nu(\text{C}=\text{N})$ .



TABLE-2  
ANALYTICAL DATA OF ACETYLPRYIMIDINE-2-THIOLS [3(a-j)]

Com- pound	Substituent (R)	m.f.(m.w)	% Analysis, Found (Calcd.)		
			C	H	N
3a	H	C <sub>25</sub> H <sub>21</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>5</sub> S <sub>2</sub> (522)	57.47 (57.51)	4.02 (4.04)	10.72 (10.78)
3b	4-OCH <sub>3</sub>	C <sub>26</sub> H <sub>23</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>6</sub> S <sub>2</sub> (552)	56.52 (56.56)	4.16 (4.19)	10.14 (10.16)
3c	2-OCH <sub>3</sub>	C <sub>26</sub> H <sub>23</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>6</sub> S <sub>2</sub> (552)	56.52 (56.58)	4.16 (4.15)	10.14 (10.19)
3d	2-OH	C <sub>25</sub> H <sub>21</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>6</sub> S <sub>2</sub> (538)	55.76 (55.82)	3.90 (3.96)	10.40 (10.42)
3e	2-Cl	C <sub>25</sub> H <sub>20</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>5</sub> S <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> (592)	50.67 (50.74)	3.37 (3.45)	9.45 (9.47)
3f	4-Cl	C <sub>25</sub> H <sub>20</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>5</sub> S <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> (592)	50.67 (50.69)	3.37 (3.39)	9.45 (9.52)
3g	2-NO <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>25</sub> H <sub>20</sub> N <sub>5</sub> O <sub>5</sub> S <sub>2</sub> (553)	54.24 (54.28)	3.61 (3.68)	10.12 (10.18)
3h	3-Br	C <sub>25</sub> H <sub>20</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>5</sub> S <sub>2</sub> Br (601)	49.91 (49.95)	3.22 (3.26)	9.31 (9.37)
3i	3,4(OCH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>27</sub> H <sub>25</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>7</sub> S <sub>2</sub> (582)	55.67 (55.69)	4.29 (4.30)	9.62 (9.64)
3j	3,4,5(OCH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	C <sub>25</sub> H <sub>27</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>8</sub> S <sub>2</sub> (612)	54.90 (54.97)	4.41 (4.47)	9.15 (9.19)

### Antibacterial activity

This part deals with the *in-vitro* screening of newly synthesised compounds for their antimicrobial activity by filter paper disc method at a concentration of 50 µg. The species gram +ve *Staphylococcus aureus* and gram -ve *Escherichia coli* have been taken for the antibacterial activity. Against *Staphylococcus aureus*, maximum activity was found in compounds **2g** (zone of inhibition is 13.0 mm) and **3h** (zone of inhibition is 14.0 mm) and minimum activity was found in compounds **2a** (zone of inhibition is 7.0 mm) and **3e** (zone of inhibition is 6.0 mm). Against *Escherichia coli*, maximum activity was found in compounds **2g** (zone of inhibition is 14.0 mm) and **3d** (zone of inhibition is 11.0 mm) and minimum activity was found in compounds **2d** (zone of inhibition is 6.0 mm) and **3a** (zone of inhibition is 6.0 mm) (Table-3).

TABLE-3  
ANTIMICROBIAL ACTIVITIES OF COMPOUNDS

Compound	Zone of inhibition (mm)		Compound	Zone of inhibition (mm)	
	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	<i>Escherichia coli</i>		<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	<i>Escherichia coli</i>
2a	7.0	9.0	3a	8.0	6.0
2b	7.0	8.0	3b	12.0	10.0
2c	8.0	10.0	3c	6.0	8.0
2d	9.0	6.0	3d	8.0	11.0
2e	10.0	12.0	3e	6.0	6.0
2f	12.0	10.0	3f	8.0	9.0
2g	13.0	14.0	3g	6.0	6.0
2h	12.0	12.0	3h	14.0	10.0
2i	7.0	8.0	3i	10.0	8.0
2j	9.0	9.0	3j	12.0	8.0

The compounds possess moderate to good activity against all stains in comparison with ampicillin, penicillin and tetracycline.

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