

Synthesis of 1-Carboxamido-3,5-Diaryl- Δ^2 -Pyrazolines and Their Antimicrobial Study

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Nine chalcones were obtained by condensing acetophenones with aromatic aldehydes in ethanolic NaOH. Their structures were confirmed by physical as well as chemical methods. These chalcones were then reacted with semicarbazide hydrochloride in presence of aqueous alkali in ethanol to get 1-carboxamido-3,5-diaryl- Δ^2 -pyrazolines. The structures of these compounds were established on the basis of chemical properties and spectral analysis. These compounds were subjected to antimicrobial tests against the test organisms: *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Escherichia coli*, *Proteus mirabilis*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Shigella dysentery* and *Salmonella typhi*. It has been found that the compounds containing chloro and dimethyl-amino groups as substituents enhance the antimicrobial activity.

INTRODUCTION

Pyrazolines are known to possess fungicidal¹, insecticidal² and bactericidal³ properties. The synthesis of 1-carboxamido- Δ^2 -pyrazolines from epoxy ketones and semicarbazide has been reported by El Hashash⁴. Saraf⁵ reported the formation of 5-phenyl-3-(2-methyl-4-oxo-4H-1-benzopyran-3-yl)- Δ^2 -pyrazoline-1-carboxamides from 3-cinnamoyl-2-methylchromone and semicarbazide in ethanol containing little acetic acid. Thakare⁶ synthesised 1-carboxamido-3-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-5-aryl- Δ^2 -pyrazolines by the reaction between 2'-hydroxy-chalcones and semicarbazide hydrochloride in ethanol.

The work presented here describes the synthesis of 1-carboxamido-3,5-diaryl- Δ^2 -pyrazolines obtained from newly synthesised chalcones and their antimicrobial study.

EXPERIMENTAL

Nine chalcones (**Ia-i**) were prepared by reacting acetophenones (0.1 mol) with aromatic aldehydes (0.1 mol) in ethanolic NaOH. They were filtered, washed with water and recrystallised from ethanol to obtain bright orange coloured crystalline solids. Their structures were confirmed by chemical as well as physical methods.

These chalcones (**Ia-i**) were then reacted with semicarbazide hydrochloride in presence of aqueous alkali in ethanol to get 1-carboxamido-3,5-diaryl- Δ^2 -pyrazolines. The structures of these compounds were established on the basis of chemical properties and spectral analysis. Their melting points are shown in Table-1.

TABLE-I
COMPOUNDS SYNTHESISED AND THEIR MELTING POINTS

| No. | Compound | m.p. (°C) |
|-----|---|-----------|
| 1. | 1-Carboxamido-3-(2-hydroxy-5-chlorophenyl)-5-(4-dimethyl-aminophenyl)- Δ^2 -pyrazoline | 232 |
| 2. | 1-Carboxamido-3-(2-hydroxy-5-chlorophenyl)-5-(phenyl)- Δ^2 -pyrazoline | 194 |
| 3. | 1-Carboxamido-3-(2-hydroxy-5-chlorophenyl)-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)- Δ^2 -pyrazoline | 207 |
| 4. | 1-Carboxamido-3-(2-hydroxy-5-chlorophenyl)-5-(2-furyl)- Δ^2 -pyrazoline | 196 |
| 5. | 1-Carboxamido-3-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-5-(4-dimethyl-aminophenyl)- Δ^2 -pyrazoline | 227 |
| 6. | 1-Carboxamido-3-(2-hydroxy-5-methylphenyl)-5-(4-dimethyl-aminophenyl)- Δ^2 -pyrazoline | 235 |
| 7. | 1-Carboxamido-3,5-(diphenyl)- Δ^2 -pyrazoline | 240 |
| 8. | 1-Carboxamido-3-phenyl-5-(5-dimethylaminophenyl)- Δ^2 -pyrazoline | 229 |
| 9. | 1-Carboxamido-3-phenyl-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)- Δ^2 -pyrazoline | 212 |

Spectral data

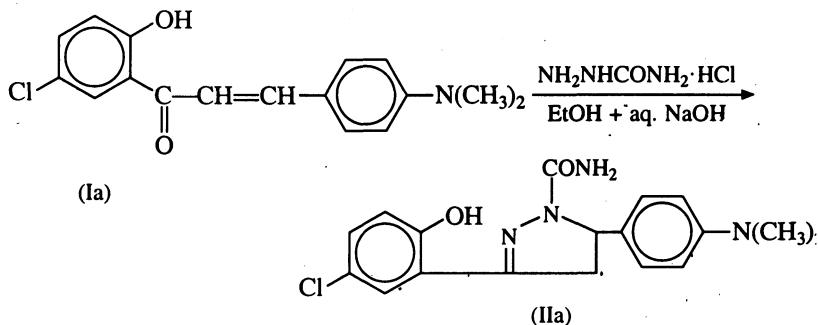
(I) IR (KBr): 3438 cm^{-1} ν (—OH phenolic), 1640 ν (C=O), 1546 ν (—CH=CH), 1172 ν (C—O stretching in phenols), 727 ν (C—Cl), 1025 ν [(C—N—(CH₃)₂)].

PMR (CDCl₃): 3.06 (s, 6H, N(CH₃)₂), 6.67–7.85 (m, 7H, Ar—H), 7.30 (d, 1H, =CH—), 7.90 (d, 1H, =CH—), 13.17 (s, 1H, —OH).

The compound is 2'-hydroxy-5'-chloro-4-dimethylamino chalcone (Ia).

(II) IR (KBr)-3461 ν (phenolic OH), 3291 ν (—CONH₂), 1605 ν (>C=N), 1642. ν (—CH₂), 1019 ν (N<^{CH₃}_{CH₃), 761 ν (C—Cl), 3.60 (dd, 1H, >CHBH), 4.90 (t, 1H, >CH \bar{x}), 5.9–6.05 (s, 2H, —CONH₂), 6.65–7.86 (m, 7H, AR—H), 9.88 (s, 1H, Ar—OH).}

Reaction:



The compound is: 1-Carboxamido-3-(2-hydroxy-5-chlorophenyl)-5-(4-dimethylaminophenyl)- Δ^2 -pyrazoline (**IIa**).

Antimicrobial Activity of the compounds

These compounds were assayed for their antimicrobial activities⁷ against six test organisms, namely, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Escherichia coli*, *Proteus mirabilis*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Shigella dysentery* and *Salmonella typhi*⁸. Further their MIC values against these organisms were determined by 'serial dilution method' using DMF as a solvent. The results are given in Table-2.

TABLE-2
ANTIMICROBIAL ACTIVITY OF THE COMPOUNDS

| Sr. No. | Compound | MIC value (in mg/mL) against test organism | | | | | |
|---------|--|--|---------|--------------|-----------|--------------|----------|
| | | K. pneumoniae | E. coli | P. mirabilis | S. aureus | S. dysentery | S. typhi |
| 1. | 1-Carboxamido-3-(2-hydroxy-5-chlorophenyl)-5-(4-dimethylaminophenyl)- Δ^2 -pyrazoline (IIa) | 31 | 62 | 16 | 62 | 125 | 62 |
| 2. | 1-Carboxamido-3-(2-hydroxy-5-chlorophenyl)-5-(phenyl)- Δ^2 -pyrazoline (IIb) | 125 | 500 | 500 | – | 250 | 500 |
| 3. | 1-Carboxamido-3-(2-hydroxy-5-chlorophenyl)-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)- Δ^2 -pyrazoline (IIc) | 62 | 125 | 125 | 250 | 500 | 125 |
| 4. | 1-Carboxamido-3-(2-hydroxy-5-chlorophenyl)-5-(2-furyl)- Δ^2 -pyrazoline (II d) | 125 | 500 | 125 | 500 | 250 | 250 |
| 5. | 1-Carboxamido-3-(2-hydroxy-phenyl)-5-(4-dimethylaminophenyl)- Δ^2 -pyrazoline (IIe) | 62 | – | 62 | 250 | – | 125 |
| 6. | 1-Carboxamido-3-(2-hydroxy-5-methylphenyl)-5-(4-dimethylaminophenyl)- Δ^2 -pyrazoline (II f) | 62 | – | 62 | 125 | 250 | 16 |
| 7. | 1-Carboxamido-3,5-diphenyl- Δ^2 -pyrazoline (IIg) | 250 | 125 | 500 | – | 500 | – |
| 8. | 1-Carboxamido-3-phenyl-5-(5-dimethylaminophenyl)- Δ^2 -pyrazoline (IIh) | 62 | – | 62 | 125 | – | 62 |
| 9. | 1-Carboxamido-3-phenyl-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)- Δ^2 -pyrazoline (IIi) | 125 | 500 | 125 | – | 500 | 250 |

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

These compounds when tested for their antimicrobial activity against *K. pneumoniae*, *E. coli*, *P. mirabilis*, *S. aureus*, *S. dysentery* and *S. typhi* (at a temperature of 37°C) ($\pm 1^\circ\text{C}$), a large number of them showed positive results.

83% of the total samples tested showed antimicrobial activity. All the compounds have been found to be active against *K. pneumoniae* and *P. mirabilis*. The compound **IIa**, **IIc** and **II d** are found to be active against all the organisms. All these compounds contain —Cl as a common substituent. However, MIC values of **IIa**, which contains —N(CH₃)₂ group as another substituent in addition to —Cl, are much more smaller than those of **IIc** and **II d**. It can therefore be concluded that the compounds containing chloro and dimethylamino group as substituents enhance the antimicrobial activity.

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