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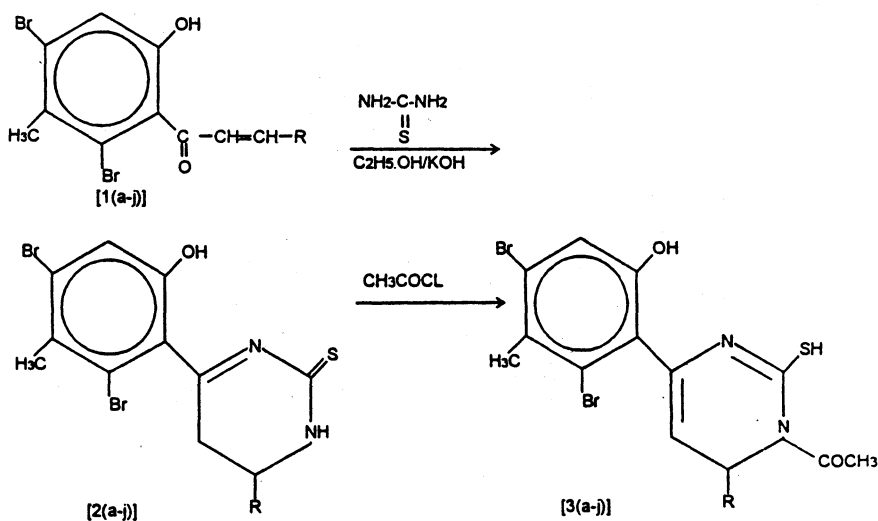
Studies on Synthesis and Antibacterial Activity of 4-(2'-hydroxy-5'-methyl-4',6'-dibromophen-1'-yl)-6-substituted phenyl-1,2,5,6-tetrahydropyrimidine-2-thione and 6-(2'-hydroxy-5'-methyl-4',6'-dibromophen-1'-yl)-3-acetyl-4-substituted phenyl-4,5-dihydropyrimidine-2-thiol

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Pyrimidine-2-thiones were prepared by heating chalcones with thiourea in ethanolic potassium hydroxide. 3-Acetylpyrimidine-2-thiol derivatives were prepared by the reaction of pyrimidine-2-thiones with acetyl chloride. All the compounds have been screened for their antibacterial activity.

Previous workers reported the synthesis of various pyrimidine derivatives^{1,2}. In continuation of work on pyridines, we report here the synthesis of some new pyrimidine-2-thiones and 3-acetylpyrimidine-2-thiols. 4-(2'-hydroxy-5'-methyl-4',6'-dibromophen-1'-yl)-6-substituted phenyl-1,2,5,6-tetrahydropyrimidine-2-thione [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



R = a: 4-chlorophenyl; b: 4-hydroxyphenyl; c: phenyl; d: 2,4-dichlorophenyl; e: *m*-phenoxyphenyl; f: 2,6-dichlorophenyl; g: 3-nitrophenyl; h: 3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl; i: 4-methoxyphenyl; j: 3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl.

with acetylchloride yielded 6-(2'-hydroxy-5'-methyl-4',6'-dibromophen-1'-yl)-3-acetyl-4-substituted phenyl-4,5-dihydropyrimidine-2-thiol [3(a-j)].

Antibacterial Activity: Antibacterial screening of synthesised compounds was carried out by cup-plate method³ using a species of gram positive bacteria *S. aureus* and gram negative bacteria *E. coli*. The testing was carried out using 50 µg of sample in DMF.

All melting points were taken in open capillary and are uncorrected. IR spectra in KBr were scanned on a Perkin-Elmer-377 spectrophotometer. Satisfactory elemental analyses were obtained.

Preparation of 4-(2'-hydroxy-5'-methyl-4',6'-dibromophen-1'-yl)-6-substituted phenyl-1,2,5,6-tetrahydropyrimidine-2-thiones [2(a-j)]

2'-Hydroxy-5'-methyl-4',6'-dibromochalcone (0.01 mole), thiourea (0.01 mole) and potassium hydroxide (1 g) 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 crystallised from benzene. IR (KBr): 3450–3400 ν(OH); 1600–1580 ν(C=N); 3350–3300 ν(NH) and 1215–1205 cm⁻¹ ν(C=S).

Preparation of 6-(2'-hydroxy-5'-methyl-4',6'-dibromophen-1'-yl)-4,5-dihydropyrimidine-2-thiols [3(a-j)]

4-(2'-Hydroxy-5'-methyl-4',6'-dibromophen-1'-yl)-6-substituted phenyl-1,2,5,6-tetrahydropyrimidine-2-thiones (0.0025 mole) and acetyl chloride (8.0 mL) were heated under reflux on 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 crystallised from benzene.

IR (KBr): 3500–3400 ν(OH); 1750–1700 ν(N—C=O) and 1600–1590 cm⁻¹ ν(C=N).

Physical data of all the compounds are presented in Table-1.

TABLE-1

| Compound No. | m.p. (°C) | m.f. | Compound No. | m.p. (°C) | m.f. |
|--------------|-----------|--|--------------|-----------|--|
| 2a | 121 | C ₁₇ H ₁₃ ON ₂ SBr ₂ Cl | 3a | 133 | C ₁₉ H ₁₅ O ₂ N ₂ SBr ₂ Cl |
| b | 115 | C ₁₇ H ₁₄ O ₂ N ₂ SBr ₂ | b | 127 | C ₁₉ H ₁₆ O ₃ N ₂ SBr ₂ |
| c | 108 | C ₁₇ H ₁₄ ON ₂ SBr ₂ | c | 128 | C ₁₉ H ₁₆ O ₂ N ₂ SBr ₂ |
| d | 138 | C ₁₇ H ₁₂ ON ₂ SBr ₂ Cl ₂ | d | 152 | C ₁₉ H ₁₄ O ₂ N ₂ SBr ₂ Cl ₂ |
| e | 118 | C ₂₃ H ₁₈ O ₂ N ₂ SBr ₂ | e | 132 | C ₂₅ H ₂₀ O ₃ N ₂ SBr ₂ |
| f | 157 | C ₁₇ H ₁₂ ON ₂ SBr ₂ Cl ₂ | f | 172 | C ₁₉ H ₁₄ O ₂ N ₂ SBr ₂ Cl ₂ |
| g | 150 | C ₁₇ H ₁₃ O ₃ N ₃ SBr ₂ | g | 146 | C ₁₉ H ₁₅ O ₄ N ₃ SBr ₂ |
| h | 125 | C ₂₀ H ₂₀ O ₄ N ₂ SBr ₂ | h | 143 | C ₂₂ H ₂₂ O ₅ N ₂ SBr ₂ |
| i | 119 | C ₁₈ H ₁₆ O ₂ N ₂ SBr ₂ | i | 126 | C ₂₀ H ₁₈ O ₃ N ₂ SBr ₂ |
| j | 130 | C ₁₉ H ₁₉ ON ₃ SBr ₂ | j | 147 | C ₂₁ H ₂₁ O ₂ N ₃ SBr ₂ |

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