

Novel Synthesis of 5-Oxo-2-thioxo-2,5-dihydro-3-thiophenecarboxylate Derivatives in Non-Aqueous Medium

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A novel synthetic method of synthesis of 5-oxo-2-thioxo-2,5-dihydro-3-thiophenecarboxylate (rhodanine) derivative is being reported using primary amines and acetylenic ester, carbon disulfide and Triton-B in non-aqueous medium.

Keywords: Carbon disulfide, Primary amine, Acetylenic ester, Triton-B.

INTRODUCTION

Rhodanine-based compounds have potential biological activities. The rhodanine derivatives have shown remarkable antifungal activity [1-4]. These compounds are also aggregators that can non-specifically interact with target proteins as well as Michael acceptors and interfere photometrically in biological assays due to their colour. They are found to inhibit targets like HCV NS3 protease [5] PMT1 mannosyltransferase [6] PRL-3 and JSP-1 phosphatase [7,8] and B lactamase [9]. After several years of research in drug discovery, they have gained a reputation as being pan assay interference compounds (PAINS) and frequent hitters in screening campaigns. Rhodanine-based compounds are also aggregators that can non-specifically interact with target proteins as well as Michael acceptors and interfere photometrically in biological assays due to their colour.

Gaikwad and Gautam [10] reported rhodanine derivatives as hypoglycemic agents which act as potent drugs to treat diabetes mellitus by lowering glucose levels in the blood. Most of them are administered orally. Shukla *et al.* [11] showed that substituted 3-aminomethylidene-4-thiazolidinone-2-thiones as potent antiviral agents. Classical methods for the synthesis of rhodanine is the several steps process and preparation of rhodanine structure and finally Knoevenagel condensation with aldehydes [12-16]. Taran *et al.* [17] proposed the synthesis of arylidene rhodanine derivatives *via* reaction between dithiocarbamates and aryl propiolates in the presence of Bu₃P as

catalyst in *i*PrOH. Earlier treatment of amine and its derivatives like dialkylacetylenedicarboxylate and isocyanate by Alizadeh *et al.* [18,19] at room temperature led to the formation of maleimide derivatives. The reaction product was separated using ethyl acetate as organic solvent [20]. Owing to the numerous biological activity involved in the rhodanine scaffold many researchers have given various process for its synthesis [21-24].

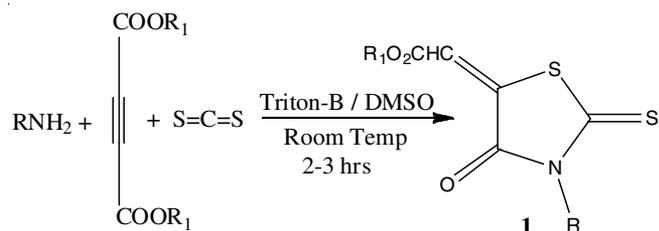
Alizadeh *et al.* [25] synthesized various rhodanine derivatives *via* reaction of acetylene carboxylate and alkyl halides in carbon disulphide. In present study, we used carbon disulfide under similar condition for synthesis of several 5-oxo-2-thioxo-2,5-dihydro-3-thiophenecarboxylate derivative (rhodanine). Carbon disulfide is preferred over common organic solvents as it is easily available, cheap and less toxic. The one pot reaction between acetylene dicarboxylate in the presence of carbon disulfide and Triton-B gave several rhodanine derivatives. The use of phase transfer catalyst Triton-B made the easier workout of the synthesized compounds with better yield.

EXPERIMENTAL

All the reagents used were of Merck, India. Identification of products was done by comparing their physical data and spectral data with the compounds already known. Infrared spectra (4000-200 cm⁻¹) were analyzed on a Bomem MB-FTIR spectrophotometer while NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker Advance DPX instrument spectrophotometer (400 MHz)

with CDCl_3 as solvent and tetramethylsilane as standard. Elemental analysis done by Carlo-Erba EA 1110 CHNOS analyzer which agreed comfortably with calculated ones. Characterization of all products was made by comparing their physical data with the reported data.

General procedure: Amine (0.386 mL) was added to Triton-B and stirred for 10 min followed by the addition of CS_2 (0.321 mL) dropwise. Then dimethyl acetate carboxylate was added again dropwise. The mixture was stirred for 2.5 h. TLC plate showed the formation of some new compound. The reaction was seen continuously and formation of product was monitored with TLC. After the completion, the reaction mixture was drained into distilled water and extraction was done three times using ethyl acetate (**Scheme-I**). IR, NMR and elemental analysis data of selected compounds are given below:



Scheme-I

2-[4-Oxo-3-(*m*-trifluoromethylphenylmethyl)-2-thioxo-1,3-thiazolidine-5-ylidene]ethanoate (1): Yield 75 %, m.p.: 76 °C, yellow powder. IR (KBr, ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 1720 (C=O), 1680 (C=C), 1342, 1187 (C=S). $^1\text{H NMR}$: (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.5 (multiplet arom. H), 6.8-7.0 (singlet δ vinylic H), δ 5.4 (singlet 2H adj. to N), 3.9 (singlet 3H of CH_3O). Elemental analysis calcd. (found) % for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{10}\text{NO}_3\text{S}_2\text{F}_3$: C 47.9 (46.8), H 2.84 (2.64), O 13.6 (14.4), S 18.2 (17.2), F 16.2 (15.9).

2-[4-Oxo-3-(*p*-trifluoromethylphenylmethyl)-2-thioxo-1,3-thiazolidine-5-ylidene]ethanoate (2): Yield 77 %, m.p.: 82 °C, yellow powder. IR (KBr, ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 1720 (C=O), 1683 (C=C), 1330, 1187 (C=S). $^1\text{H NMR}$: (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.5 (multiplet arom. H), 6.8-7.0 (singlet δ vinylic H), δ 5.4 (singlet 2H adj. to N), 3.9 (singlet 3H of CH_3O). Elemental analysis calcd. (found) % for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{10}\text{NO}_3\text{S}_2\text{F}_3$: C 47.8 (47.6), H 2.90 (2.98), O 13.70 (13.86), S 18.0 (18.25), F 16.6 (17.6).

2-[4-Oxo-3-(propylphenylmethyl)-2-thioxo-1,3-thiazolidine-5-ylidene]ethanoate (3): Yield 80 %, m.p.: 128 °C, yellow powder. IR (KBr, ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 1725 (C=O), 1685 (C=C), 1330,

1187 (C=S). $^1\text{H NMR}$: (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 4.5 (2H arom.), δ 4.0 (singlet OCH_3), δ 3.0 (2H arom.), δ 2.0 (4H multiplet), δ 1.9 (1H singlet). Elemental analysis calcd. (found) % for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_3\text{S}_2$: C 56.07 (55.20), H 4.6 (4.8), N 4.36 (4.10), O 14.9 (14.2), S 19.9 (20.2).

2-[4-Oxo-3-(1'-methylethyl)-2-thioxo-1,3-thiazolidine-5-ylidene]ethanoate (4): Yield 80 %, m.p.: 12 °C, yellow oil. IR (KBr, ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 1725 (C=O), 1670 (C=C), 1315, 1187 (C=S). $^1\text{H NMR}$: (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 1.54 (6H doublet), δ 3.88.0 (3H singlet OCH_3), δ 5.20 (1H septet CH- CH_3), δ 6.77 (1H, singlet ethylenic H), δ 1.9 (1H singlet). Elemental analysis calcd. (found) % for $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_2\text{S}_2$: C 44.08 (46.4), H 4.48 (5.02), N 5.71 (6.24), O 15.59 (14.8), S 26.12 (27.02).

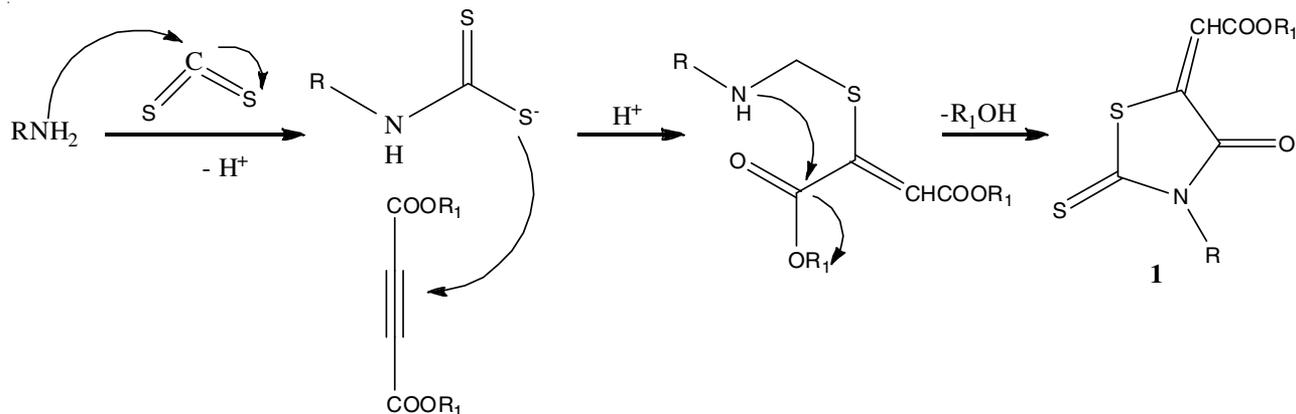
2-[4-Oxo-3-(2'-methylpropyl)-2-thioxo-1,3-thiazolidine-5-ylidene]ethanoate (5): Yield 80 %, m.p.: 8 °C, pale yellow oil. IR (KBr, ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 1715 (C=O), 1690 (C=C), 1315, 1187 (C=S). $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 2.25-2.30 (1H multiplet $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}-\text{CH}_3$), δ 3.87 (3H singlet OCH_3), δ 3.93 [2H doublet $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}-(\text{CH}_3)_2$]. Elemental analysis calcd. (found) % for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_3\text{S}_2$: C 46.66 (45.86), H 4.28 (4.04), N 5.44 (5.24), O 18.67 (19.07), S 24.90 (25.20).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

One pot synthesis of rhodanine derivatives having covered biological and pharmacological activities using Triton-B, carbon disulfide at room temperature is reported. The reaction of carbon disulfide with several amines in presence of dialkylacetylenedicarboxylate was spontaneous at room temperature in DMSO/ Triton-B. Also these reactions were completed in 2-3 h (Table-1).

The synthesized compounds formed were identified by their elemental analysis, IR and $^1\text{H NMR}$ spectra. The $^1\text{H NMR}$ spectra of compound **1** exhibited 3 sharp singlets which were thought to be due to OCH_3 group ($\delta = 3.9$), methylene protons ($\delta = 5.32$) and vinylic proton at ($\delta = 6.85$). The phenyl group gave characteristic aromatic signals in the NMR spectrum.

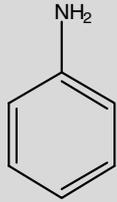
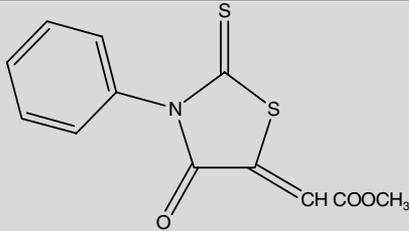
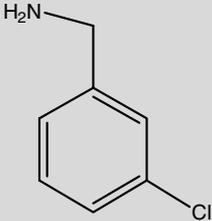
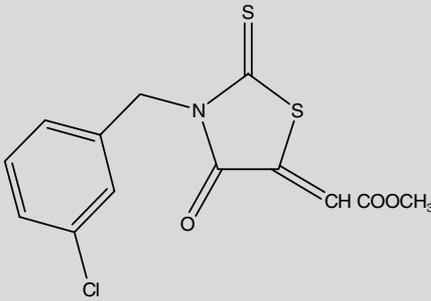
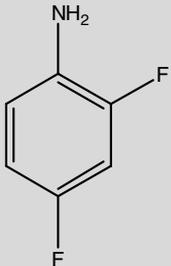
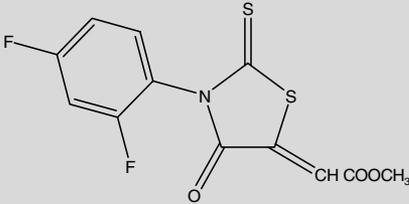
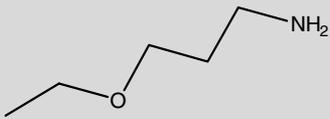
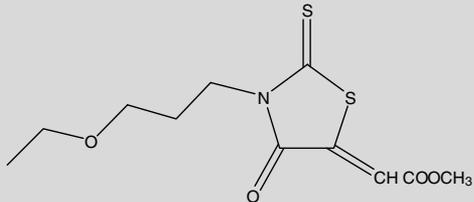
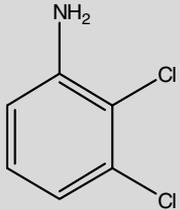
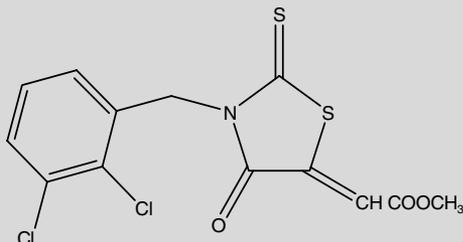
A possible mechanism of the reaction between carbon disulfide and amine in the presence of Triton-B is being put forward in **Scheme-II**. Compound **1** could results from initial addition of carbon disulfide to amine and subsequent attack of alkylammoniumcarbothioate on acetylenic ester to yield intermediate. Cyclization of intermediate and subsequent loss of R_1OH lead to the formation of compound **1** (**Scheme-II**).



Scheme-II

TABLE-1

S. No.	Amine used	R ₁	Structure of rhodanine derivatives	Yield (%)
1		-CH ₃		71
2		-CH ₃		77
3		-CH ₃		80
4		-CH ₃		80
5		-CH ₃		80
6		-CH ₃		76

7		-CH ₃		81
8		-CH ₃		70
9		-CH ₃		78
10		-CH ₃		84
11		-CH ₃		80

Conclusion

In conclusion, carbon disulfide mediated synthesis has been reported for the synthesis of rhodanine derivatives and offers some notable and distinct advantages over usually employed procedure such as simplicity, room temperature conditions, simple work-up, high yield and cheap reagent.

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CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The authors declare that there is no conflict of interests regarding the publication of this article.

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