

Studies on synthesis and antibacterial activity of some new 3-(2-Hydroxyphenyl)-4-benzoyl-5-phenylisoxazolines

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ABSTRACT

3-Aroyl flavanones (1a-j) were allowed to react with $\text{NH}_2\text{OH} \cdot \text{HCl}$ in dioxane containing piperidine to give the corresponding 3-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-aryloyl-5-arylisoxazolines (2a-j). Their structural assignments are based on the elemental analysis, spectra data (IR, UV & NMR) and chemical properties. All these compounds were tested in vitro for their antibacterial activity by disk-diffusion method against Gram positive and Gram negative bacteria. In some of the compounds the results are found to be encouraging.

Key words: 3-(2-Hydroxyphenyl)-4-royl-5-arylixosazoline, antibacterial activity.

INTRODUCTION

Literature on Isoxazolines¹⁻⁸ revealed that these compounds are not only used in textile and cinematographic⁹ films but also show widely differing antinflammatory, antibacterial¹⁰, herbicidal¹¹ activity. Some 3,5-diarylisoxazolines have been synthesised from flavanones on treatment with $\text{NH}_2\text{OH} \cdot \text{HCl}$ in pyridine. Gamil Aziz *et al.*¹³ have prepared the isoxazolines by the action $\text{NH}_2\text{OH} \cdot \text{HCl}$ on furochalcones in basic medium. Recently Borul¹⁴ and co-workers have reported the synthesis of substituted ioxazolines by action of hydroxylamine hydrochloride and sodium acetate on chalcones in ethanol.

Keeping these facts in view, the title compounds have been synthesized and were screened for their antibacterial activity against some Gram positive and Gram negative bacteria like *Escherichia coli*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*,

Pseudomonas aeruginosa, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Staphylococcus albus*, *Salmonella typhimurium*, *Vibrio cholerae* and *Shigella dysentery*.

EXPERIMENTAL

Synthesis of 3-(2-Hydroxyphenyl)-4-benzoyl-5-phenyl aryloxazolines (2a-j)

A mixture of flavanone (1a-j) (0.01 mol) and $\text{NH}_2\text{OH} \cdot \text{HCl}$ (0.02 mol) was refluxed in dioxane (30ml) containing piperidine (0.5ml) for 3-4 hours. The reaction mixture was poured in water and acidified with 1:1 HCl and the semisolid obtained was triturated with and crystallised from ethanol to get the products (2a-j) (Table 1). These compounds gave dark green colouration with ethanolic FeCl_3 and were soluble in NaOH indicating thereby the presence of free phenolic OH group.

Spectral Analysis

Their IR spectra showed absorption bands

at 1600 (C=N of isoxazolines; probably overlapping the C=O group), 1450 (CH₂) and 940 cm⁻¹ (C=N-O). Their UV spectra showed λ_{max} at 270 and 370 nm which indicates carbonyl function, and pmr spectra in CDCl₃ showed δ 2.32 (3H, s, ArCH₃), 3.75 (3H, s, ArOCH₃), 5.1 (2H, d, ¹H), 5.9 (1H, d, ¹H), 6.8, 9.8, 7.25-7.8 (H, H, 10H, d, d, m, aromatic protons).

M.P.s. reported are uncorrected and were recorded on 'Tempo' melting point apparatus. The purity of the compounds synthesized was tested by TLC on microscopic slides with silica gel-G layers.

The Infra red spectra were recorded on "Perkin-Elmer 577" spectrophotometer. The ultraviolet visible spectra were recorded on "Perkin-Elmer 202" spectrophotometer. The PMR spectra were recorded on Perkin-Elmer R-32" in CDCl₃ using TMS a reference from the chemical properties analytical results and spectral analysis, the

compound (2a) was assigned the structure 3-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-aryl-5-arylisoxazoline.

Antimicrobial activity

The compound (2a-j) are 3-Hydroxyphenyl-4-benzoyl-5-phenylisoxazolines. All these compounds were tested in for their antibacterial activity by disk-diffusion method^{15,16} in dimethyl formamide (DMF) solvent at a concentration of 100 µg/ml using gram positive bacteria, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Staphylococcus albus* and gram negative bacteria¹⁷ *Escherichia coli*, *Klebisella pneumoniae*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Salmonella typhi*, *vibrio cholerae* and *shigella dysentery*.

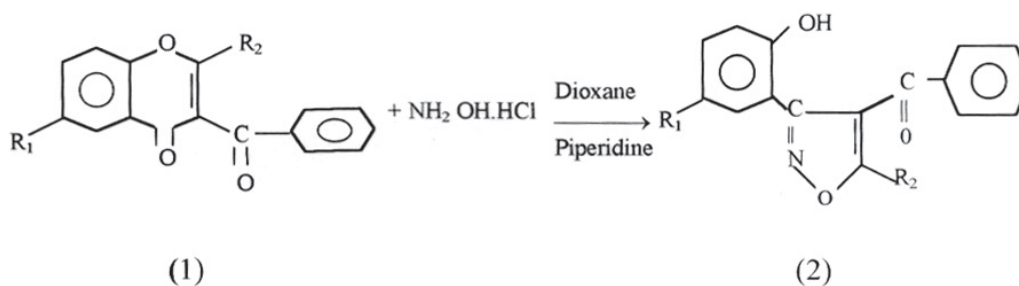
RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Most of the compounds showed significant antibacterial activity as stated in (Table 2). However, the antibacterial activity was highest against

Table 1: Physical data of 3-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-aryl-5-arylisoxazolines (2a-j)

| Compound | R1 | R2 | Yield (%) | m.p. (°C) | % found (Calc) |
|----------|-----------------|---|-----------|-----------|----------------|
| 2a | CH ₃ | -C ₆ H ₅ | 55 | 153 | 4.04 (3.92) |
| 2b | CH ₃ | -4'-CH ₃ O-C ₆ H ₄ | 85 | 170-171 | 3.70 (3.62) |
| 2c | CH ₃ | -3',4'-O-CH ₂ -O-C ₆ H ₃ | 55 | 150 | 3.56 (3.49) |
| 2d | CH ₃ | -2'-OH-C ₆ H ₄ | 75 | 167 | 3.80 (3.75) |
| 2e | CH ₃ | -2' Furyl | 70 | 148 | 4.13 (4.03) |
| 2f | H | -C ₆ H ₅ | 60 | 150 | 4.20 (4.08) |
| 2g | H | -4'-CH ₃ O-C ₆ H ₄ | 70 | 134 | 3.82 (3.75) |
| 2h | H | -3',4'-O-CH ₂ -O-C ₆ H ₃ | 55 | 151 | 3.75 (3.62) |
| 2i | H | -2'-OH-C ₆ H ₄ | 50 | 174 | 3.49 (3.40) |
| 2j | H | -2' Furyl | 60 | 160 | 4.31 (4.20) |

Satisfactory analysis for C and H were also obtained



Scheme 1

Table 2: Antibacterial activity data of 3-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-benzoyl-5-phenyl arylisoxazolines (2a-j)

| Compound | Substituents | | Antibacterial activity zone of inhibition (nm) | | | | | | | |
|----------|-----------------|---|--|----------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|
| | R1 | R2 | <i>E. coli</i> | <i>Ki Pneumoniae</i> | <i>Pseu. areuginosa</i> | <i>Staph. aureus</i> | <i>Staph. albus</i> | <i>Salm. typhi</i> | <i>Vibrio cholerae</i> | <i>Shigella dysentery</i> |
| 2a | CH ₃ | -C ₆ H ₅ | 13 | 10 | - | 16 | - | 13 | 13 | 13 |
| 2b | CH ₃ | -4'-CH ₃ O-C ₆ H ₄ | 13 | 12 | - | 14 | - | 14 | 17 | 16 |
| 2c | CH ₃ | -3',4'-O-CH ₂ -O-C ₆ H ₃ | 14 | 12 | 10 | 13 | 9 | 13 | 15 | 13 |
| 2d | CH ₃ | -2'-OH-C ₆ H ₄ | 12 | 10 | - | 13 | - | 11 | 10 | 10 |
| 2e | CH ₃ | -2' Furyl | 18 | 18 | 13 | 13 | 10 | 13 | 14 | 13 |
| 2f | H | -C ₆ H ₅ | 10 | 9 | - | 13 | - | 8 | 8 | 9 |
| 2g | H | -4'-CH ₃ O-C ₆ H ₄ | 13 | 12 | - | 14 | - | 13 | 14 | 14 |
| 2h | H | -3',4'-O-CH ₂ -O-C ₆ H ₃ | 13 | 11 | - | 14 | - | 13 | 13 | 14 |
| 2i | H | -2'-OH-C ₆ H ₄ | 11 | 10 | 12 | 18 | 12 | 14 | 16 | 15 |
| 2j | H | -2' Furyl | 18 | 16 | 13 | 16 | 10 | 13 | 14 | 14 |

Staphylococcus aureus, *Escherichia coli*, *Salmonella typhi*, *Vibrio*, *Shigella dysenterica*, moderate activity against *Klebsiella pneumoniae* while *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* and *Staphylococcus albus* showed lesser activity of found inactive.

It has been interesting to note that the antibacterial activity invariably increased with the presence of methoxy and furyl groups.

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