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## Synthesis and characterization of pyrrole-pyrimidine biheterocycles

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#### ABSTRACT

In the present work we have utilized cyanovinyl ester group of ethyl  $\alpha$ cyano 2-Pyrrole acrylate for the synthesis of Pyrrole- pyrimidine biheterocycles. The reaction of ethyl  $\alpha$ -cyano 2-Pyrrole acrylate have been carried with semicarbazone derivatives and reactions result in the formation of biheterocyclic molecules presenting important synthesis for medicinal chemists. © 2011 Trade Science Inc. - INDIA

#### **INTRODUCTION**

Biheterocycles are compounds containing two heterocycles which are linked by a single bond between two heterocycle rings. The preparation and utilization of biheterocyclic systems is a demanding goal<sup>[1]</sup>, seeing that they are interesting compounds with numerous potential fields of applications as electrical or electronic materials<sup>[2a-c]</sup>, as monomers for the synthesis of conductive polymers<sup>[3]</sup>, with rich photophysical and photochemical properties<sup>[4]</sup>, and as luminescent molecular sensors<sup>[5]</sup>. Incorporation of biheteroaryls into macropolycyclic structures leads to very interesting ligands to form photoactive cryptates of interest as novel luminescent material<sup>[6]</sup>. The formation of helicates, helices incorporating metal ions, as versatile supramolecular complexes<sup>[7]</sup> is another important potentiality of biheterocycles. Biheterocycles have provided a wide range of finely tuned chelating ligands in coordination and organometallic chemistry.

In this investigation work was undertaken with objective to utilize ethyl  $\alpha$ -cyano 2-pyrrole acrylate and

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hydrazinecarboxamide derivatives (semicarbazones) for the synthetic utilities.

#### **EXPERIMENTAL**

#### **Reagents and solvents**

The solvents were procured from E.Meck, Ranbaxy, S.D.Fine, Himedia and Qualigens. They were used after purification and drying by conventional methods<sup>[8]</sup>. The commercially available chemicals of analar grade of B.D.H., guaranteed reagent of Merck and analytical reagents or equivalent grade of others were used as such.

# Ethyl $\alpha$ -cyano 2-pyrrole acrylate was prepared as per following procedure<sup>[9]</sup>

A solution of pyrrole-2-aldehyde (2.0 gm, 0.0210 mole), ethylcyanoacetate (3.3684 gm, 0.0297 mole) and diethylamine (0.1473 gm, 0.0020 mole) in toluene 60 ml was refluxed for 1 hr. After cooling, the crystals were collected, washed with light petroleum and airdried. Yield: 3.41 gm (85%). m.p.130-132°C observed

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#### Acetone semicarbazone

In a 50 ml round bottomed flask, 1.0 g (0.0089 mole) of semicarbazide hydrochloride and 1.5 g (0.010 mole) of crystallized sodium acetate was dissolved in 10ml of water. 0.789 g (1.0ml, 0.013 mole) of the acetone was added with shaking. Compound is crystalline solid, soluble in water and alcohol. Yield: 0.300 g (29.07%). m.p.190°C.

#### Methyl ethyl ketone semicarbazone

In a 50 ml round bottomed flask, 1.0 g (0.0089 mole) of semicarbazide hydrochloride and 1.5 g (0.01102 mole) of crystallized sodium acetate was dissolved in 10ml of water. 1.0 g (1.24 ml, 0.0138 mole) of methyl ethyl ketone was added. White coloured precipitate obtained, the precipitate was filtered, washed with a 15 ml of water and recrystallised from aqueous alcohol. Crystalline solid is soluble in water and alcohol. Yield: 0.350 g (30.43%). m.p. 140°C.

#### Acetophenone semicarbazone

In a 50 ml round bottomed flask, 2.5 g (0.0224 mole) of semicarbazide hydrochloride was dissolved in 2.5 ml of water. Another solution prepared by mixing 10 ml of cold pyridine in 5.125 g (5.0 ml, 0.0426 mole) of acetophenone. Precipitate was filtered and recrystallised from aqueous alcohol (95% alcohol). Crystalline solid is soluble in alcohol. Yield: 2.021g (80.9%). m .p:195°C observed (198°C reported).

#### Salicylaldehyde semicarbazone

In a 50 ml round bottomed flask, 1.0 g (0.0089 mole) of semicarbazide hydrochloride and 1.5 g (0.01102 mole) of crystallized sodium acetate was dissolved in 10ml of water. 1.0 g (0.872 ml, 0.0081 mole) of salicylaldehyde was added. White colored precipitate was obtained. Recrystallised from aqueous alcohol. Yield: 0.600 g (37.38). m .p. 231°C.

#### **Physico-chemical techniques**

TLC was routinely used to check the formation and status of products on silica Gel-G or alumina. Ambassador® melting point apparatus based on electrically controlled heating device was used for melting point determination using capillary tubes open on one side

**Órqanic** CHEMISTRY <sup>An Indian Journal</sup> and are uncorrected. Ambassador<sup>®</sup> melting point apparatus provided a temperature range from room temperature to 360°C. The infrared spectra of products were recorded (4000-500 cm<sup>-1</sup>) in KBr disc, using a Schimadzu 8201 PCFT IR spectrometer in Regional Sophisticated Instrumentation Centre, at Central Drug Research Institute, Lucknow. Proton nuclear magnetic Resonance (<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum) was recorded on Bruker DRX-300 spectrometer (300 MHz FT NMR) instrument using tetramethylsilane as an internal reference. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were taken in CDCl<sub>3</sub>, MeOD, unless otherwise stated. The chemical shift values are expressed in  $\delta$ -scale.

#### Syntheses and characterization of pyrrole pyrimidine biheterocycles

### (a) Synthesis of 5-cyano 3, 4, 5-trihydro 1N-(propyl 2-imino) 4-(pyrrolyl) 2, 6-dioxopyrimidine (3)

0.0190 g (0.001 mole) of ethyl  $\alpha$ -cyano-2 pyrrole acrylate was dissolved in 20 ml and 0.1031 g(0.001 mole) of acetone semicarbazone<sup>[10]</sup> in 20ml of absolute ethyl alcohol. Mixed both the solutions and equimolar solution of sodium ethoxide was added to above solution. Reaction mixture was then refluxed for 40 hrs; the precipitate formed was filtered off, washed with ethanol and air dried. Yield: 30 mg (11.57 %). m.p.: At 240°C vapors start accumulating in upper portion of capillary. After 250°C further no change was noticed up to 290°C.

IR (KBr): 3278.8 cm<sup>-1</sup> (br, NH, pyrr), 1619.7 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=O), 1579.1 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=N), 2213.0 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=N). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (MeOD):  $\delta$  7.885 (1H, pyrr),  $\delta$  1.279 (s, CH<sub>3</sub>),  $\delta$  2.112 (s, CH<sub>3</sub>),  $\delta$  7.208 (s, 1H, C3, pyrr),  $\delta$  6.335 (s, 1H,C4, pyrr),  $\delta$  7.075 (s, 1H,C5,pyrr)  $\delta$  6.315 (s, 1H, C4 Het.)  $\delta$  7.197 (s, 1H, C5 Het.).

# (b) Synthesis of 5-cyano 3,4,5-trihydro 1N-(butyl 2-imino) 4-(pyrrolyl) 2,6-dioxopyrimidine (5)

0.0190 g (0.001 mole) of ethyl  $\alpha$ -cyano-2 pyrrole acrylate was dissolved in 20 ml and 0.1219 g (0.001 of mole) of methyl ethyl semicarbazone<sup>[10]</sup> in 40 ml absolute ethyl alcohol. Mixed both the solutions and equimolar solution of sodium ethoxide was added to above solution. Reaction mixture was then refluxed; the precipitate formed was filtered off, washed with ethanol and dried. Yield: 40 mg (14.63 %). m.p.: near 270°C



Scheme 1 : Synthesis of 5-cyano 3, 4, 5-trihydro 1N-(propyl 2-imino) 4-(pyrrolyl) 2, 6-dioxopyrimidine (3)



Scheme 3 : Synthesis of 5-cyano 3,4,5-trihydro 1N-(methyl phenyl imino) 4-(pyrrolyl) 2,6-dioxopyrimidine (7)

vapor in the middle of capillary appears with slight melting.

IR (KBr): 3300.1 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH, pyrr), 1694.6 cm<sup>-1</sup>(C=O), 1580.9 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=N), 2209.7 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C $\equiv$ N), 3458.9 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH, Het). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (MeOD):  $\delta$  7.887 (s, 1H, pyrr),  $\delta$  1.279 (s, CH<sub>3</sub>),  $\delta$  1.938 (s, CH<sub>3</sub>),  $\delta$  7.201 (s, 1H, C3, pyrr),  $\delta$  6.336 (s, 1H, C4, pyrr),  $\delta$  7.084 (s, 1H, C5, Pyrr),  $\delta$  6.315 (s, 1H, C4 Het.)  $\delta$  7.197 (s, 1H, C5 Het.).

# (c) Synthesis of 5-cyano 3,4,5-trihydro 1N-(methyl phenyl imino) 4-(pyrrolyl) 2,6-dioxopyrimidine (7)

0.0190 g (0.001 mole) of ethyl  $\alpha$ -cyano-2 pyrrole acrylate was dissolved in 20 ml of absolute ethyl alcohol and 0.1651 g (0.001 mole) of acetophenone semicarbazone<sup>[11]</sup> in 40 ml. Mixed both the solutions and equimolar solution of sodium ethoxide was added to above solution. Reaction mixture was then refluxed



Scheme 2 : Synthesis of 5-cyano 3,4,5-trihydro 1N-(butyl 2imino) 4-(pyrrolyl) 2,6-dioxopyrimidine (5)



Scheme 4 : Synthesis of 5-cyano 3,4,5-trihydro 1N-(ohydroxybenzaldimino) 4-(pyrrolyl) 2,6-dioxopyrimidine (9)

for 48 hrs; the precipitate formed was filtered off, washed with ethanol and dried. Yield: 30 mg (9.33 %). m.p.: around 230°C some vapours in the middle of the capillary appeared with sharp melting. Further no change up to 280°C.

IR (KBr): 3313.7 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH, pyrrole), 1698.4 cm<sup>-1</sup>(C=O), 1583.9 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=N), 2208.0 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C $\equiv$ N). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (MeOD):  $\delta$  7.884 (s, 1H, pyrr),  $\delta$  2.239 (s,CH<sub>3</sub>),  $\delta$  7.208 (s, 1H, C3, pyrr),  $\delta$  6.335 (s, 1H, C4, pyrr),  $\delta$  7.082 (s, 1H, C5, pyrr),  $\delta$  6.314 (s, 1H, C4 Het.)  $\delta$  7.198 (s, 1H, C5 Het.).

#### (d) Synthesis of 5-cyano 3,4,5-trihydro 1N-(ohydroxybenzaldimino) 4-(pyrrolyl) 2,6-dioxopyrimidine (9)

0.0190 g (0.001 mole) of ethyl  $\alpha$ -cyano-2 pyrrole acrylate was dissolved in 10 ml of absolute ethyl alcohol and 0.1791 g (0.001 mole) of salicylaldehyde

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semicarbazone<sup>[11]</sup> in 50 ml. Mixed both the solutions and equimolar solution of sodium ethoxide was added to above solution. Reaction mixture was then refluxed for 60 hrs; the precipitate formed was filtered off, washed with ethanol and dried. Yield: 25 mg. (10.23 %). m.p.: around 210°C vapors appeared in the middle of capillary. Further no visible change up to 290°C. IR (KBr): 3312.2 cm<sup>-1</sup>(NH, pyrr), 1695.9 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=O), 1583.7 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=N), 2208.5 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=N). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (MeOD):  $\delta$  7.893 (s, 1H, pyrr),  $\delta$  7.201 (s, 1H, C3, pyrr),  $\delta$  6.341 (s, 1H, C4, pyrr),  $\delta$  7.198 (s, 1H, C5, Het.).  $\delta$  4.825 (s, 1H, Hydroxy).



#### **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

The structure of the formed compound (3), (5), (7) and (9) are given on the basis of their spectral analysis. The IR spectrum of the 5-cyano 3,4,5-trihydro 1N-(propyl 2-imino) 4-(pyrrolyl) 2,6-dioxopyrimidine (3) shows a broad band at 3278.8 cm<sup>-1</sup> indicating the presence of pyrrolic NH as well as heterocyclic NH. A band at 2213.0 Cm<sup>-1</sup> shows nitrile stretching confirming the presence of nitrile group in heterocyclic moiety. The C=O stretching shows a band at 1619.7 cm<sup>-1</sup> and C=N stretching appears at 1579.1 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

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Figure 4b : <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound (5)

Figure 6a : <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound (7)

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Figure 6b : <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound (7)



Figure 7b : <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound (9)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of the compound (**3**) shows a singlet peak at  $\delta$  7.885 which is of one proton present on nitrogen atom of pyrrole. The pyrrole protons C-3 shows a singlet peak at  $\delta$  7.208, C-4 at  $\delta$  6.335 and C-5 at  $\delta$  7.075. Peaks at  $\delta$  1.279 and  $\delta$  2.112 indicate the presence of two methyl protons. Singlet peak at  $\delta$  6.315 and  $\delta$  7.197 shows the presence of heterocyclic protons.

Figure 7a: <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound (9)

The IR spectrum of the compound 5-cyano 3,4,5trihydro 1N-(butyl 2-imino) 4-(pyrrolyl) 2, 6dioxopyrimidine (**5**) shows pyrrolic NH stretching at 3300.1 cm<sup>-1</sup> and a band of at 3458.9 cm<sup>-1</sup>. A band at 2209.7 cm<sup>-1</sup> shows nitrile stretching confirm the presence of nitrile group in heterocyclic moiety .The C=O stretching shows a band at 1694.6 cm<sup>-1</sup> and C=N stretching appears at 1580.9 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

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The IR spectrum of the compound 5-cyano 3,4,5trihydro 1N-(methyl phenyl imino) 4-(pyrrolyl) 2, 6dioxopyrimidine (**7**) shows pyrrolic NH stretching at

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 $3313.7 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . A band at 2208.0 cm<sup>-1</sup> shows nitrile stretching confirms the presence of nitrile group in heterocyclic moiety. The carbonyl stretching shows a band at 1698.4 cm<sup>-1</sup> and C=N stretching appears at 1583.9 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of the compound (7) shows a singlet peak at  $\delta$  7.884 which is of one proton present on nitrogen atom of pyrrole. The pyrrole proton C-3 shows a singlet peak at  $\delta$  7.208, C-4 singlet peak at  $\delta$  6.335 and  $\delta$  C-5 singlet peak at  $\delta$  7.082. Singlet peak at  $\delta$  6.314 and  $\delta$  7.198 shows the presence of heterocyclic protons. A singlet peak at  $\delta$  2.239 indicates the presence of methyl proton.

The IR spectrum of the compound 5-cyano 3,4,5trihydro 1N-(o-hydroxybenzaldimino) 4-(pyrrolyl) 2, 6dioxopyrimidine (**9**) shows pyrrolic NH stretching at 3312.2 cm<sup>-1</sup>. A band at 2208.5 cm<sup>-1</sup> shows nitrile stretching confirms the presence of nitrile group in heterocyclic moiety. The carbonyl stretching shows a band at 1695.9 cm<sup>-1</sup> and C=N stretching at appears at 1583.7 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of the compound (9) shows a singlet peak at  $\delta$  7.893 which is of one proton present on nitrogen atom of pyrrole. The pyrrole proton C-3 shows a singlet peak at  $\delta$  7.201, C-4 singlet peak at  $\delta$  6.341 and  $\delta$  C-5 singlet peak at  $\delta$  7.086. Singlet peak at  $\delta$  6.331 and  $\delta$  7.198 shows the presence of heterocyclic protons. A singlet peak of hydroxyl proton appears at  $\delta$  4.825.

#### ABBREVIATIONS

br = broad hrs = hours s = singlet pyrr = pyrrole Het = hetrocyclic EtOH-Ethanol MeOD-Deuterated Methanol  $CDCl_3$ -Deuterated Chloroform NaOEt-Sodium ethoxide

#### CONCLUSION

Ethyl  $\alpha$ -cyano 2-pyrrole acrylate has  $\alpha$ , $\beta$ -unsaturated double bond and electron withdrawing groups both ester and nitrile. Double bond and electron withdrawing groups are set into conjugated system becoming

**Órganic** CHEMISTRY Au Iudian Journal susceptible to nucleophilic attack. Therefore, the formation of above heterocyclic products by reaction of ethyl  $\alpha$ -cyano 2-pyrrole acrylate and hydrazine derivatives has been best explained on the basis of initial nucleophilic addition followed by cyclization of intermediate.

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