

Thermal Condensation of 1-Aryl/ hetaryl-3-methyl-2-pyrazolin-5-ones with Aromatic Aldehydes. Synthesis of 4-arylidene-pyrazolones

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Abstract. Heating of 3-methyl-1-(pyrid-2-yl / 4-chlorophenyl)-2-pyrazolin-5-ones (**1**) and some aromatic aldehydes at 150 – 160 °C affords the corresponding 4-arylidene-2-pyrazolin-5-ones (**2**) as colored products with high yields. These new products were characterized by UV-*vis*, FT-IR and ¹H NMR spectroscopic techniques and elemental analysis.

Introduction

5-Pyrazolones are very important class of heterocycles due to their biological and pharmacological activities ^[1,2] which exhibit an anti-inflammatory ^[3], herbicidal^[4], fungicidal ^[5], bactericidal ^[5], plant growth regulating properties ^[4], antipyretic ^[6] and protein kinase inhibitors ^[7], Also, they are used as key starting material for the synthesis of commercial aryl/hetarylazopyrazolone dyes ^[8,9].

On the other hand, it is well known that the most important commercial application of 4-arylidene-pyrazolones that some of them have anti-fungal properties ^[10-13], while, others were used as photographic dyes or intermediates in pharmaceuticals ^[14-16].

The approach reported here deals with the synthesis of some new intensely colored 4-arylidene-pyrazolones which might have new pharmacological and commercial applications.

Experimental

All melting points reported are uncorrected. IR spectra were recorded using Perkin Elmer's Spectrum RXIFT-IR spectrophotometer (ν in cm^{-1}) The NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker Avance DPX400 spectrometer, using pyridine- d_5 as a solvent and TMS as an internal standard (chemical shifts in δ values in ppm). The UV-*vis* Spectra were recorded in ethanol using Shimadzu, Carry 50 (λ in nm). Elemental analyses were performed on Perkin Elmer 2400, series II micro-analyzer. Pyrid-2-ylhydrazine and 4-chlorophenylhydrazine hydrochloride are an Aldrich products and they are used without any further purification.

Condensation of Ethyl Acetoacetate with Arylhydrazines. Formation of 1-aryl-3-methyl-2-pyrazolin-5-ones (1a,b)

A mixture of ethyl acetoacetate (0.024 mol) and Pyrid-2-ylhydrazine and 4-chlorophenylhydrazine hydrochloride (0.025 mol) was heated under water condenser in an oil bath at 150-160°C for 3h then cooled and triturated with diethyl ether (20 ml). The ether was removed by filtration and the solid residue was crystallized from ethanol to give 3-methyl-1-(pyrid-2-yl)-2-pyrazolin-5-one (**1a**) and 1-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-methyl-2-pyrazolin-5-one (**1b**), respectively. The physical data of 1-aryl-3-phenyl-2-pyrazolin-5-ones (**1**) are listed in Table 1.

Table 1. Physical data of 1-aryl-3-phenyl-2-pyrazolin-5-ones (1a,b).

Comp. No.	Mol. Formula (M.wt)	m.p.(°C) (Color)	Yield %	Elemental analysis Calculated / Found		
				C	H	N
1a	C ₉ H ₉ N ₃ O (175.19)	109 (White)	EtOH (85)	61.70	5.18	23.99
				61.56	5.14	23.81
1b	C ₁₀ H ₉ N ₂ OCl (208.65)	167 (white)	EtOH (90)	57.57	4.35	13.43
				57.44	4.33	13.30

Knoevenagel Condensation of Aromatic Aldehydes with Pyrazolones (1a,b). Formation of 1-aryl-4-arylidene-3-methyl-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazol-5-ones (2, 3)

A mixture of 1-aryl-3-methyl-2-pyrazolin-5-one (**1a,b**) (0.01 mol) and aromatic aldehydes (0.012 mol) namely, benzaldehyde, 4-methylbenzaldehyde (*p*-tolualdehyde), 4-methoxybenzaldehyde (*p*-anisaldehyde), 4-chlorobenzaldehyde, 4-bromobenzaldehyde and 3,4-

methylene-dioxybenzaldehyde (piperonal) was heated in an oil bath at 150-160°C for 4h, cooled, triturated with ether (20 ml) and filtered off. The coloured residues were crystallized from the proper solvent to give the corresponding, 1-aryl-4-arylidene-3-methyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrazol-5-ones (2a-f, 3a-f) respectively, as coloured products. The physical data of 4-arylidene-1-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-methyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrazol-5-ones (2, 3) are listed in Table 2 respectively.

Table 2. Physical data of 4-arylidene-1-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-methyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrazol-5-ones (2,3).

Compd. No.	Mol. Formula (M.wt)	m.p.(°C) (Color)	Solvent of crystallization (Yield %)	Elemental analysis Calculated/Found		
				C	H	N
2a	C ₁₆ H ₁₃ N ₃ O (263.30)	153 (Pink)	P.E. (63)	72.99 72.83	4.98 4.95	15.96 15.79
2b	C ₁₇ H ₁₅ N ₃ O (277.33)	70 (Yellow)	P.E. (61)	73.63 73.55	5.45 5.41	15.15 15.02
2c	C ₁₇ H ₁₅ N ₃ O ₂ (293.33)	Oily (Orange)	P.E. (43)	69.61 69.47	5.15 5.13	14.33 14.19
2d	C ₁₆ H ₁₂ N ₃ OCl (297.74)	86 (Yellow)	P.E. (65)	64.54 64.40	4.06 4.02	14.11 14.02
2e	C ₁₆ H ₁₂ N ₃ OBr (342.19)	88 (Yellow)	P.E. (64)	56.16 56.05	3.53 3.50	12.28 12.11
2f	C ₁₇ H ₁₃ N ₃ O ₃ (307.31)	222 (Orange)	EtOH (67)	66.44 66.32	4.26 4.21	13.67 13.54
3a	C ₁₇ H ₁₃ N ₂ OCl (296.76)	141 (Orange)	EtOH (62)	68.81 68.64	4.42 4.38	9.44 9.29
3b	C ₁₈ H ₁₅ N ₂ OCl (310.78)	186 (Orange)	EtOH (69)	69.57 69.43	4.86 4.83	9.01 8.88
3c	C ₁₈ H ₁₅ N ₂ O ₂ Cl (326.78)	140 (Brown)	EtOH (68)	66.16 66.03	4.63 4.60	8.57 8.43
3d	C ₁₇ H ₁₂ N ₂ OCl ₂ (331.20)	203 (Red)	EtOH (76)	61.65 61.50	3.65 3.61	8.46 8.33
3e	C ₁₆ H ₁₂ N ₂ OClBr (363.64)	196 (Red)	EtOH (72)	52.85 52.69	3.33 3.31	7.70 7.56
3f	C ₁₈ H ₁₃ N ₂ O ₃ Cl (340.77)	198 (Orange)	EtOH (80)	63.44 63.26	3.85 3.81	8.22 8.09

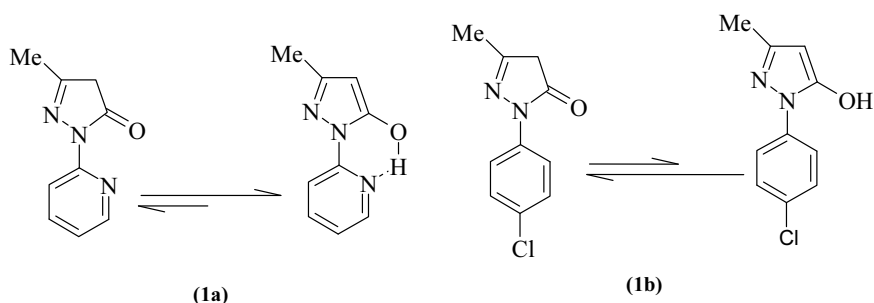
Results and Discussion

Heating of ethyl acetoacetate and hydrazine derivatives, namely, pyrid-2-ylhydrazine or 4-chlorophenylhydrazine hydrochloride at 150 – 160 °C underwent cyclocondensation to give the corresponding 3-

methyl-1-(pyrid-2-yl)-2-pyrazolin-5-one (**1a**) and 1-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-methyl-2-pyrazolin-5-one (**1b**), respectively, which are used as key starting of the synthesis of the new 4-arylidene-5-pyrazolones.

The 1-aryl-3-methyl-2-pyrazolin-5-ones (**1 a,b**) exist in two tautomeric forms (**I and II**) due to their keto-enol tautomerism, The spectral data proved that pyrazolone (**1a**) exists mainly in enol form due to intermolecular chelation by H-bond while (**1b**) exists in keto form [17,18] (Scheme 1).

This phenomenon is confirmed by ^1H NMR IR absorption spectra as shown in Table 3.



Scheme 1

Table 3. The spectral data of 1-aryl-3-methyl-2-pyrazolin-5-ones (1a,b).

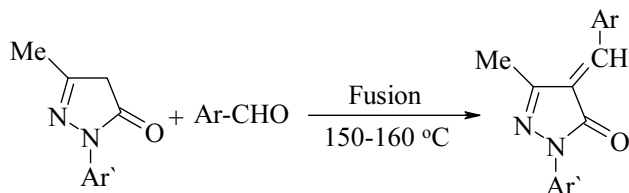
Comp. No	Structure	IR (v in cm^{-1})	^1H -NMR in CDCl_3 (δ in ppm)
1a		1614(C=O cyclic lactam) 3050 (CH aromatics). 3420 (enolic OH).	2.26 (s,3H,C3-CH ₃),5.43 (s,1H,C4-H),7.11-8.53(m, 4H,ArH),12.80 (b,1H, OH).
1b		1669(C=O cyclic lactam) 3059 (CH aromatics).	2.20 (s,3H,C3-CH ₃),3.44 (s,2H,C4-H),7.26-7.95(m, 4H ,ArH),

Fusion of an equimolar amounts of Ethyl acetoacetate with pyrid-2-ylhydrazine or 4-chlorophenylhydrazine hydrochloride at 150-160 °C

afforded 3-methyl-1-(pyrid-2-yl)-2-pyrazolin-5-one (**1a**) and 1-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-methyl-2-pyrazolin-5-one (**1b**), respectively in high yields.

The most characteristic behavior of 2-pyrazolin-5-ones is the outstanding reactivity of the methylene group at C-4. Therefore, this position undergoes the characteristic condensation and substitution reactions of the active methylene group^[19-21].

Fusion of an equimolar amounts of 1-aryl-3-methyl-2-pyrazolin-5-ones (**1a,b**) with aromatic aldehydes, namely: benzaldehyde, 4-methylbenzaldehyde, 4-methoxybenzaldehyde, 4-chlorobenzaldehyde, 4-bromobenzaldehyde and 3,4-methylenedioxybenzaldehyde (piperonal) at 150-160°C afforded 1-aryl-4-arylidene-3-methyl-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazol-5-ones (**2a-f**, **3a-f**) respectively, as intense coloured products in high yields (Scheme 2).

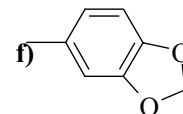
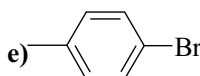
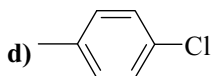
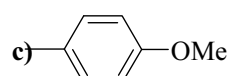
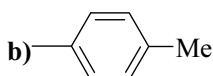
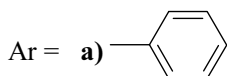


1a) Ar' = Pyrid-2-yl,

2 a-f) Ar' = pyrid-2-yl.

1b) Ar' = 4-chlorophenyl,

3 a-f) Ar' = 4-chlorophenyl.



Scheme 2

The structure of 4-arylidene-pyrazolones (**2,3**) have been established by IR, HNMR and UV-vis spectral data which are listed in Tables 4 and 5, respectively, and elemental analysis of Table 2.

Table 4. The spectral data of 4-arylidene-1-(pyrid-2-yl)-3-methyl-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazol-5-ones (2a-e).

Compd. No.	UV-vis (λ in nm)	IR (ν in cm^{-1})			$^1\text{H-NMR}$ in CDCl_3 (δ in ppm)
		C=N C=C	C=O	CH	
2a	334	1566	1636	2933 3022	2.18(s,3H,C3- CH_3), 7.14-8.25(m,9H, ArH+1H,C4= CH).
2b		1565	1644	2925 3052	2.12(s,3H,C3- CH_3), 2.35(s,3H,Ar CH_3) 6.9-8.5 (m,8H,ArH+1H, C4= CH).
2c	336	1578	1669	2934 3064	2.11(s,3H,C3- CH_3),3.82(s,3H,O CH_3), 6.79-8.60(m,8H, ArH+1H,C4= CH).
2d	360	1569	1676	2935 3062	2.12(s,3H,C3- CH_3), 7.0 8.6(m,8H, ArH+1H,C4= CH).
2e	335	1559	1666	2931 3060	2.12(s,3H,C3- CH_3),7.09-8.2(m,8H, ArH+1H,C4= CH).
2f	377	1578	1685	2924 3072	2.40(s,3H,C3- CH_3),6.11(s,2H, O $_2\text{CH}_2$), 6.92-8.7(m,7H,ArH+1H, C4= CH).

Table 5. The spectral data of 4-arylidene-1-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-methyl-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazol-5-ones (3a-e).

Compd. No.	UV-vis (λ in nm)	IR (ν in cm^{-1})			$^1\text{H-NMR}$ in CDCl_3 (δ in ppm)
		C=N C=C	C=O	CH	
3a	335	1591	1680	3074	2.36(s,3H,C3- CH_3),7.17-8.48(m,9H, ArH +1H,C4= CH).
3b	340	1595	1690	2928 3058	2.34(s,3H,C3- CH_3), 2.45(s,3H,Ar CH_3), 7.26-8.42 (m,8H,ArH+1H, C4= CH).
3c	371	1583	1677	2945 3079	2.34(s,3H,C3- CH_3), 3.91(s,3H,O CH_3) 6.99-8.59(m,8H, ArH +1H,C4= CH).
3d	330	1582	1676	2924 3084	2.34(s,3H,C3- CH_3), 7.25-8.46(m,8H, ArH +1H,C4= CH).
3e	334	1585	1673	2928 3086	2.36(s, 3H,C3- CH_3), 7.26-8.27(m,8H, ArH +1H,C4= CH).
3f	383-325	1489 1582	1680	2923 3072	2.32(s, 3H,C3- CH_3), 6.09 (s, 2H, O $_2\text{CH}_2$), 6.91-8.63(m,8H, ArH+1H, C4= CH).

It was observed from UV-vis absorption spectra in ethanol (Table 2,3) of 4-arylidene-pyrazolones that λ_{\max} ranges from 334 to 383 nm proved that 4-arylidene substituents with electron donating groups 4-OMe and 3,4 -O-CH₂-O results in bathochromic shifts.

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