

SYNTHESIS OF SOME NEW ENAMINOKETONES, ANALOGOUS OF MILRINONE, 4-PYRONES AND RELATED 4-PYRIDONES

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ABSTRACT: Synthesis of 4-(*N,N*-dimethylamino)-3-aryl-3-butene-2-one, ethyl-5-aryl-4-oxo-4*H*-pyran-2-carboxylate, ethyl-5-aryl-4-pyridones-2-carboxylate and 5-aryl-3-cyano-5-methyl-2-pyridones (aryl=3-thienyl, 2-furyl) are described.

KEY WORDS: 4-(*N,N*-Dimethylamino)-3-butene-2-one, 4-Oxo-4*H*-pyran, 4-Pyridone, 2-pyridone, Milrinone.

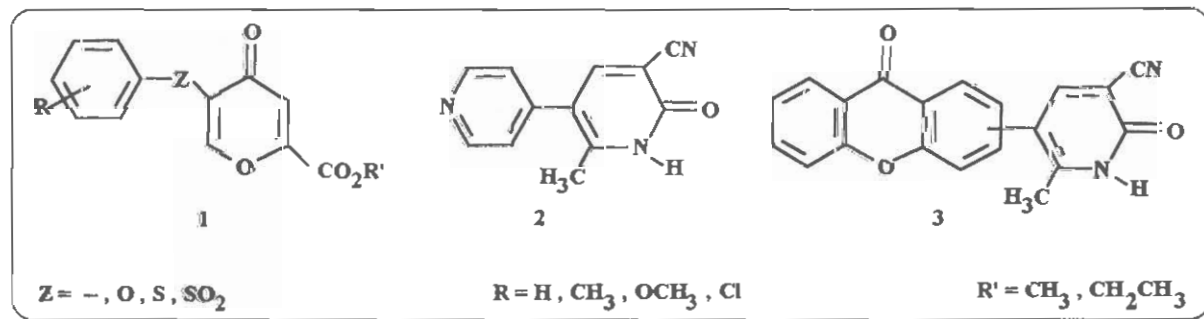
INTRODUCTION

Because of biological activities of some 4-pyrones derivatives, the chemistry of this class of compounds has widely been investigated [1].

It has been previously reported that some 4-pyrones possessing substituent at C-2 and C-5 positions similar to 1 show antiallergic activity in treatment of immediate hypersensitivity reactions and asthma [2].

Also digital glycosides have been the principal

agents used in treating congestive heart failure for more than a century in spite of their low therapeutic index [3a,b]. Noncatecholamine and nonglycoside agents such as milrinone 2 has been developed for replacing sympathomimetic agents such as dopamine and dobutamine which are orally inactive. Research on the synthesis of milrinone [4a-c] and other analogues 3 has expanded in the recent years [5].



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In the previous reports the synthesis of some new derivatives of 4-pyrone possessing various substituents such as heterocycles, carboxylate, amide, nitrile and tetrazolyl at C-2 and C-6 positions, have been described [6]. In continuation of our investigations we report herein the synthesis of 2,5-disubstituted-4-pyrones **7a,b** analogous to **1**, related 4-pyridones **9a,b** and two novel 2-pyridones **8a,b** analogues of biologically active milrinone **2**.

EXPERIMENTAL

Starting materials were prepared according to the procedures described in literature: 1-(3-thienyl)-2-propanone [7], 1-(2-furyl)-2-propanone [8], nitroethane [9], N,N-dimethylformamide diethylacetal [10]. Other chemical materials were purchased from Merck (Darmstadt, Germany) and Fluka (Switzerland).

Melting points were determined in open capillary tubes in a *Electrothermal-910* instrument and are uncorrected. The IR spectra were recorded on a Shimadzu IR-408 spectrometer. The FTIR spectra were recorded on a FTIR Shimadzu DR-8001. NMR spectra were recorded on Varian EM-390 90 MHz using tetramethylsilane (TMS) as an internal standard. Mass spectra were determined with Finiganmat 8430 GC mass spectrometer. Microanalysis were performed by Research Institute of Petroleum Industry, Ray, Iran.

General procedure for the synthesis of **6a,b**.

4-(N,N-Dimethylamino)-3-(3-thienyl)-3-butene-2-one (**6a**)

A solution of 1-(3-thienyl)-2-propanone (**4a**) (5.6 g, 0.04 mol) and N,N-dimethylformamide diethylacetal (**5**) (6.47 g, 0.044 mol) was heated under dry nitrogen in an oil bath at 90-100°C for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was distilled under vacuo in a semimicroscale distillation apparatus. A yellow fraction with BP₅₋₈ 188-190°C was collected which on standing was crystallized to give 5.8 g (70%) of the title compound. The crude product was recrystallized from ether-petroleum ether (BP 60-80°C) which afforded white needles, MP: 80.5-81.5°C.

FTIR (KBr): 3063(s), 3042(s), 2926(s), 2814(m), 1634(s, C=O ketone), 1540(s, C=C), 1527(s), 1487(s),

1444(s), 1417(s), 1400(s), 1346(s), 1307(s), 1223(s), 1213(s), 1161(s), 1147(s), 1105(s), 1086(m), 1062(m), 1022(m), 949(s), 895(m), 848(s), 812(m), 777(s), 698(s), 684(s) cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR(CDCl₃): δ 2.0(s, 3H), 2.75(s, 6H), 6.9-7.7(m, 4H) ppm.

MS: *m/z*(%), 195(M⁺, 86), 196(M+1, 14), 180(M-CH₃, 54), 162[M-(H₂O, CH₃), 100], 152(56), 137(46), 122(46), 119(26), 109(20), 97(16), 69(18), 45(12), 42(32). Anal. Calcd. for C₁₀H₁₃NOS: C, 67.02; H, 7.31.

Found: C, 66.8; H, 7.25.

4-(N,N-Dimethylamino)-3-(2-furyl)-3-butene-2-one (**6b**)

This compound was obtained as a yellow oil in a yield of 75%, BP₅ 153-154°C. The product was unstable and on standing it decomposed.

IR(KBr): 3150(m), 3100(w), 2900-3000(s), 1650(s, CO, Ketone), 1550(s, C=C), 1535(m), 1500(m), 1420(s), 1400(m), 1350(s), 1285(s), 1215(s), 1140(s), 1090(s), 1070(m), 1010(m), 950(s), 800(m), 735(s) cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR(CDCl₃): δ 1.9(s, 3H), 2.7(s, 6H), 6.1-6.45(m, 2H), 7.45-7.7(m, 2H) ppm.

MS: *m/z*(%), 179(M⁺, 100), 180(M+1, 20), 164(M-CH₃, 29), 136[M-(CH₃, CO), 100], 121(20), 108(70), 93(40), 65(40), 55(100).

Anal. Calcd. for C₁₀H₁₃NO₂: C, 61.51; H, 6.71.

Found: C, 61.3; H, 6.55.

General procedure for synthesis of **7a,b**.

Ethyl-5-(3-thienyl)-4-oxo-4H-pyran-2-carboxylate (**7a**)

To a stirred solution of sodium ethoxide [from sodium (0.414 g, 0.018 mol)] in absolute ethanol (12 mL) under reflux was added dropwise a mixture of **6a** (2.34 g, 0.012 mol) and diethyloxalate (3.5 g, 0.024 mol) in 6 mL absolute ethanol (in 20 minutes). The reaction mixture was heated under reflux for one hour, then cooled to room temperature. A solution of hydrochloric acid 5N (12 mL) was added to the mixture and stirred for one hour. Then cooled to 5°C and diluted with 30 mL of distilled water. The precipitate was filtered off, washed with water (2×20 mL) and air dried. The crude product was recrystallized from ethanol to give title compound as white

needles in a yield of 85%, MP: 125-126°C.

IR(KBr): 3100-2850(m), 1745(s, CO ester), 1640(s, CO pyrone), 1615(s), 1520(w), 1480(w), 1440(m), 1425(m), 1370(m), 1315(m), 1250(s), 1180(m), 1100(m), 1030(w), 1000(w), 940(m), 850(m), 800(m), 750(w) cm^{-1} .
 $^1\text{H NMR}(\text{CDCl}_3)$: δ 1.4(t, 3H, J=7.3 Hz, CH_3 ester), 4.45(q, 2H, J=7.3 Hz, CH_2 ester), 7.25-7.5(m, 3H), 8.1-8.25(m, 2H) ppm.

MS: $m/z(\%)$, 250(M^+ , 66), 251($\text{M}+1$, 10), 205(M-OEt , 8), 177($\text{M-CO}_2\text{Et}$, 100), 149(28), 108(60), 69(30), 57(18), 45(8).

Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{10}\text{O}_4\text{S}$: C, 57.59; H, 4.03.

Found: C, 57.75; H, 3.86.

Ethyl- 5- (2-furyl)- 4- oxo- 4H-pyran- 2-carboxylate (7b)

This compound was obtained as white needles in a yield of 90%, MP: 113-114°C [ethanol-water (60:40)].

IR(KBr): 3120(m), 3050(m), 2980(m), 1740(s, CO ester), 1650(s, CO pyrone), 1620(s), 1530(m), 1470(w), 1435(m), 1415(m), 1380(m), 1320(m), 1255(s), 1170(m), 1105(m), 1040(w), 1005(m), 950(m), 805(m), 740(s) cm^{-1} .

$^1\text{H NMR}(\text{CDCl}_3)$: δ 1.4(t, 3H, J=7.3 Hz, CH_3 ester), 4.45(q, 2H, J=7.3 Hz, CH_2 ester), 6.55(m, 1H, H_4 -furan), 7.15(s, 1H, H_3 -pyrone), 7.4-7.6(m, 2H, H_3 -, H_5 -furan), 8.5(s, 1H, H_6 -pyrone) ppm.

MS: $m/z(\%)$, 234(M^+ , 46), 235($\text{M}+1$, 8), 189(M-OEt , 10), 161($\text{M-CO}_2\text{Et}$, 4), 105(6), 93(10), 92(100), 71(8), 68(14), 64(18), 63(12), 51(10), 44(10).

Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{10}\text{O}_5$: C, 61.54; H, 4.30.

Found: C, 61.32; H, 4.12.

General procedure for synthesis of 8a,b.

1,2-Dihydro-6-methyl-2-oxo-5-(3-thienyl)-3-pyridinecarbonitrile (8a)

A mixture of sodium methoxide [from sodium (0.04 g, 0.0017 mol)], 4-(N,N-dimethylamino)-3-(3-thienyl)-3-butene-2-one (6a) (0.33 g, 0.0017 mol), cyanoacetamide (0.143 g, 0.0017 mol) in dry N,N-dimethylformamide (20 mL) was heated under reflux for one hour. The reaction mixture was evaporated to dryness under vacuum and then the residue was crystallized from acetic acid [with addition of charcoal (0.5 g) for removing of dye impurities] to

give title compound in a yield of 79% (0.25 g) as small yellow needles, MP: 293-294°C (dec.).

IR(KBr): 3420(s, free NH), 3200-2500(br, s, hydrogen bonding NH), 2200(s, CN), 1660(s, CO pyridone), 1605(s), 1570(s), 1525(w), 1490(s), 1430(w), 1380(m), 1330(s), 1250(m), 1230(w), 1205(w), 1165(s), 1125(m), 1035(m), 960(m), 930(w), 860(m), 815(w), 780(s) cm^{-1} .

$^1\text{H NMR}(\text{DMSO-d}_6)$: δ 2.35(s, 3H, $-\text{CH}_3$), 7.2-7.8(m, 3H, H_2 -, H_4 -, H_5 -thiophene), 8.15(s, 1H, H_4 -pyridone) ppm.

MS: $m/z(\%)$, 216 (M^+ , 100), 217 ($\text{M}+1$, 18), 187 (M-HCO , 18), 183(44), 171(36), 146(18), 111(14), 99(20), 83(18), 7(22), 69(16), 57(32), 43(20).

Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_8\text{N}_2\text{OS}$: C, 61.09; H, 3.73.

Found: C, 60.64; H, 3.61.

1,2-Dihydro-6-methyl-2-oxo-5-(2-furyl)-3-pyridinecarbonitrile (8b)

This compound was obtained in a yield of 80%. The crude product once crystallized from acetic acid and then from methanol which afforded the title compound as small yellow needles, MP: 305-306°C (dec.).

IR(KBr): 3400(s, free NH), 3200-2500(br, s, hydrogen bonding NH), 2200(s, CN), 1655(s, CO pyridone), 1620(s), 1570(s), 1490(m), 1475(m), 1375(s), 1325(s), 1270(m), 1230(m), 1180(m), 1150(w), 1130(w), 1035(w), 1010(m), 950(m), 810(w), 750(s) cm^{-1} .

$^1\text{H NMR}(\text{DMSO-d}_6)$: δ 2.5(s, 3H, $-\text{CH}_3$), 6.5-6.7(m, 2H, H_3 -, H_4 -furan), 7.7-7.8(m, 1H, H_5 -furan), 8.3(s, 1H, H_4 -pyridone) ppm.

MS: $m/z(\%)$, 200(M^+ , 100), 201($\text{M}+1$, 16), 171 (M-HCO , 64), 129(20), 116(14), 71(12), 57(14), 40(14).

General procedure for synthesis of 9a,b.

Ethyl-5-(3-thienyl)-4-pyridone-2-carboxylate (9a)

A sample of Ethyl-5-(3-thienyl)-4-oxo-4H-pyran-2-carboxylate (7a) (1.0 g, 0.004 mol) was dissolved in absolute ethanol (25 mL) then 1 mL of concentrated ammonia solution was added and the reaction mixture heated under reflux for 45 minutes. The mixture was concentrated to the volume of 25 mL and then cooled. The white needles was filtered off and washed with cooled ethanol (10 mL) and recrystallized from

ethanol to give title compound in 70% yield (0.7 g) as white needles, MP: 223-224°C.

FTIR(KBr): 3385(s, free NH), 3200-2500(s, hydrogen bonding NH), 1715(s, CO ester), 1645(s, CO pyridone), 1605(s), 1470(m), 1375(s), 1365(s), 1346(m), 1282(s), 1138(m), 1000(s), 960(s), 912(s), 873(m), 727(s), 600(s), 550(s) cm^{-1} .

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (DMSO- d_6): δ 1.4(t, 3H, $J=7.4$ Hz, CH_3 ester), 3.4(br, 1H), 4.35(q, 2H, $J=7.4$ Hz, CH_2 ester), 7.1-9.0(m, 5H) ppm.

MS: m/z (%), 249(M^+ , 22), 250($\text{M}+1$, 20), 204(4), 203(8), 177($\text{M}-72$, 100), 149(18), 121(22), 108(26), 96(8), 83(4), 77(6), 69(16), 63(10), 45(22).

Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_3\text{S}$: C, 57.82; H, 4.45.

Found: C, 57.70; H, 4.36.

Ethyl-5-(2-furyl)-4-pyridone-2-carboxylate (9b)

This compound was obtained as white needles in a yield of 75%, MP: 227-228°C (ethanol).

FTIR(KBr): 3380(m, free NH), 3200-2500(br, s,

hydrogen bonding NH), 1728(s, CO ester), 1641(s, CO pyridone), 1614(s), 1504(s), 1473(m), 1439(m), 1379(s), 1253(s), 1213(s), 1134(w), 1101(s), 1020(s), 997(m), 970(w), 939(m), 885(m), 856(m), 833(s), 800(s), 790(s), 750(m) cm^{-1} .

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (DMSO- d_6): δ 1.4(t, 3H, $J=7.4$ Hz, CH_3 ester), 3.35(br, 1H), 4.4(q, 2H, $J=7.4$ Hz, CH_2 ester), 6.5-8.2(m, 5H) ppm.

MS: m/z (%), 233(M^+ , 78), 234($\text{M}+1$, 10), 188(6), 187(16), 161($\text{M}-72$, 100), 133(6), 132(18), 105(12), 92(14), 77(12), 57(10), 40(20).

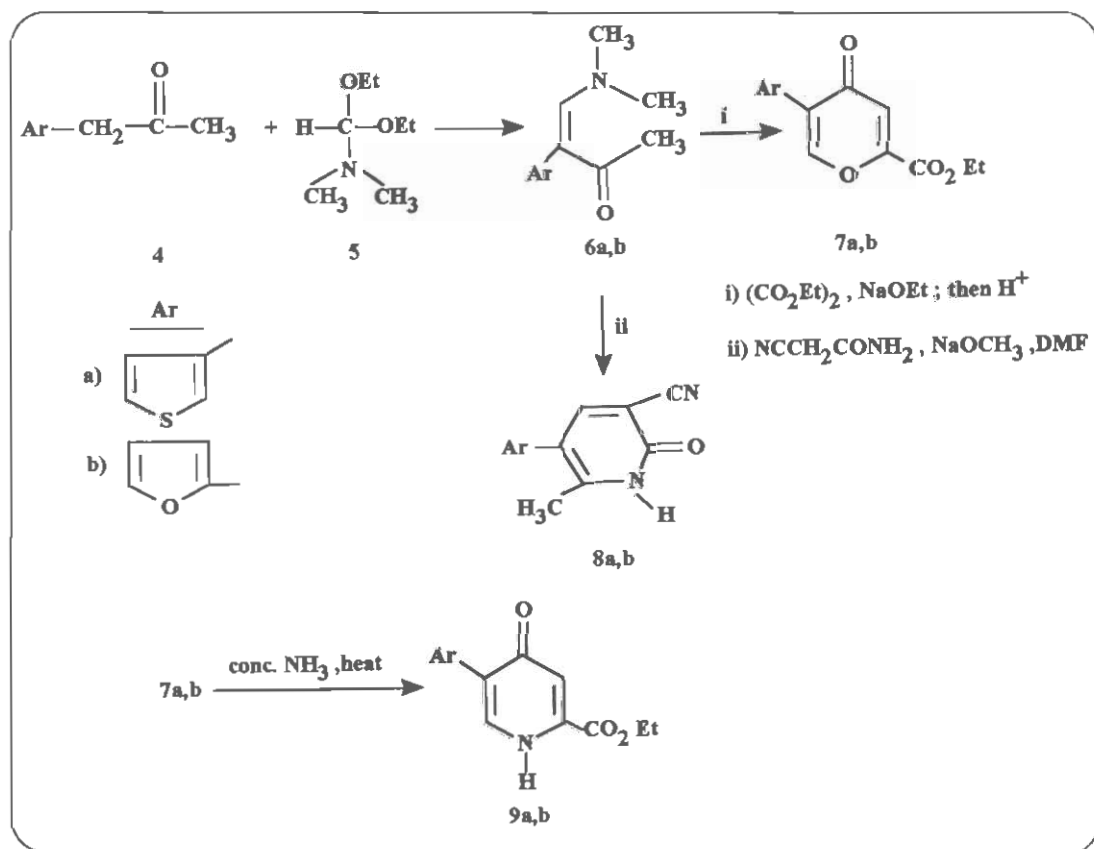
Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_4$: C, 61.80; H, 4.75.

Found: C, 61.70; H, 4.83.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

As scheme 1 shows, treatment of ketones **4a,b** with acetal **5** under reflux condition produced enamino ketones **6a** and **6b** in 70% and 75% yields respectively.

Treatment of enamino ketones **6a** and **6b** with



Scheme 1

sodium ethoxide in absolute ethanol and diethyl-oxalate followed by hydrolysis and cyclization by concentrated hydrochloric acid afforded the corresponding 4-pyrones **7a** and **7b** in 85% and 90% yields respectively.

Structures of compounds **6a,b** and **7a,b** were fully characterized as described earlier by MP, IR, ¹H NMR, MS data and elemental analysis.

When compounds **7a** and **7b** were dissolved in ethanol and treated with concentrated ammonia solution in reflux, the corresponding 2,5-disubstituted-4-pyridones **9a** and **9b** were produced in 70% and 75% yields respectively. Their IR, ¹H NMR, MS data and elemental analysis are fully consistent with the proposed structures **9a** and **9b**.

Reaction of the enaminketones with cyanoacetamide was the second aim of this work. Thus enaminketones **6a,b** were treated with sodium methoxide and cyanoacetamide. The corresponding 2-pyridones **8a** (79%) and **8b** (80%) were synthesised and characterized.

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