

HETEROCYCLIZATION IN VILSMEIER–HAACK FORMYLATION OF DIMETHYLAMINO-SUBSTITUTED 2,5-DIARYLOXAZOLES AND 2,5-DIARYL-1,3,4-OXADIAZOLES

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In Vilsmeier–Haack formylation (heating with POCl_3 and DMF) of 4-dimethylaminotoluene [1] and 4-dimethylamino-substituted derivatives of naphthalic acid [2], instead of the expected formyl-substituted derivatives we observed heterocyclization of the intermediate Vilsmeier adducts and formation of quinazolinium salts.

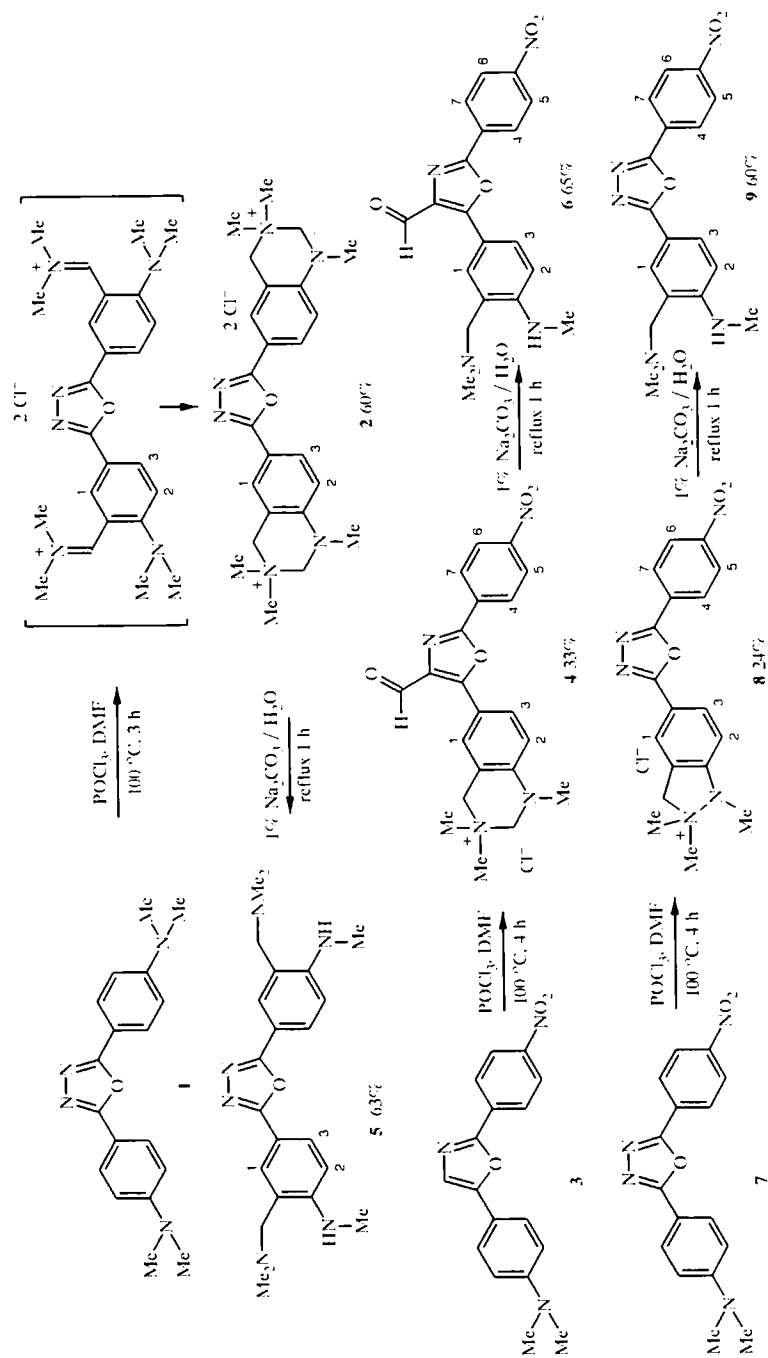
We observed that under the same conditions, 2,5-di(4-dimethylaminophenyl)-1,3,4-oxadiazole (**1**) forms quinazolinium salt **2**. In the case of 5-(4-dimethylaminophenyl)-2-(4-nitrophenyl)oxazole (**3**), along with heterocyclization we observe formylation at the free position of the oxazole ring (compound **4**). In alkaline medium, the quaternized heterocycle is hydrolyzed with formation of methylamino-substituted **5** and **6**. The methylene group of the heterocycle is cleaved in this case as a formaldehyde molecule. 5-(4-Dimethylaminophenyl)-2-(4-nitrophenyl)-1,3,4-oxadiazole (**7**) under the indicated conditions yields quaternary salt, which based on ^1H NMR spectra is tentatively assigned the structure of indazolium **8**. Base hydrolysis of the latter leads to the methylamino-substituted derivative **9**.

1,3,3-Trimethyl-6-[5-(1,3,3-trimethyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroquinazolin-3-ium-6-yl)-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl]-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroquinazolin-3-ium Dichloride (2). Yield 60%; mp 318–320°C (ethanol). ^1H NMR spectrum (300 MHz, DMSO-d_6), δ , ppm: 3.16 (12H, s, $2 \times \text{N}^+(\text{CH}_3)_2$); 3.20 (6H, s, $2 \times \text{NCH}_3$); 4.78 (4H, s, $2 \times \text{CH}_2$); 4.84 (4H, s, $2 \times \text{CH}_2$); 7.14 (2H, d, $2 \times 2\text{-H}$); 7.87 (2H, s, $2 \times 1\text{-H}$); 8.00 (2H, d, $2 \times 3\text{-H}$). Found, %: N 17.12; Cl 14.41. $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{32}\text{N}_6\text{OCl}_2$. Calculated, %: N 17.11; Cl 14.46.

6-[4-Formyl-2-(4-nitrophenyl)-1,3-oxazol-5-yl]-1,3,3-trimethyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroquinazolin-3-ium Chloride (4). Yield 33%; mp 273°C (DMF). ^1H NMR spectrum (300 MHz, DMSO-d_6), δ , ppm: 3.17 (6H, s, $\text{N}^+(\text{CH}_3)_2$); 3.21 (3H, s, NCH_3); 4.81 (2H, s, CH_2); 4.87 (2H, s, CH_2); 7.16 (1H, d, 2-H); 8.10 (1H, s, 1-H); 8.26 (1H, d, 3-H); 8.38 (2H, d, 4,7-H); 8.44 (2H, d, 5,6-H); 10.10 (1H, s, CHO). Found, %: N 12.87; Cl 7.98. $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_4\text{O}_4\text{Cl}$. Calculated, %: N 13.07; Cl 8.28.

N,N-Dimethyl-5-[5-(3-dimethylaminomethyl-4-methylaminophenyl)-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl]-2-methylaminophenylmethanamine (5). Yield 63%; mp 183–184°C (benzene–hexane, 1:1). ^1H NMR spectrum (300 MHz, DMSO-d_6), δ , ppm: 2.17 (12H, s, $2 \times \text{N}(\text{CH}_3)_2$); 2.84 (6H, d, $2 \times \text{NHCH}_3$); 3.44 (4H, s, $2 \times \text{CH}_2$); 6.57 (2H, s, $2 \times \text{NH}$); 6.69 (2H, d, $2 \times 2\text{-H}$); 7.68 (2H, s, $2 \times 1\text{-H}$); 7.85 (2H, d, $2 \times 3\text{-H}$). Found, %: N 21.12. $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_6\text{O}$. Calculated, %: N 21.32.

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5-(3-Dimethylaminomethyl-4-methylaminophenyl)-2-(4-nitrophenyl)-1,3-oxazole-4-carbaldehyde (6).

Yield 65%; mp 215-216°C (toluene). ¹H NMR spectrum (300 MHz, DMSO-d₆), δ, ppm: 2.18 (6H, s, N(CH₃)₂); 2.88 (3H, d, NHCH₃); 3.47 (2H, s, CH₂); 6.73 (1H, d, 2-H); 6.77 (1H, s, NH); 7.94 (1H, s, 1-H); 8.16 (1H, d, 3-H); 8.34 (2H, d, 4,7-H); 8.40 (2H, d, 5,6-H); 10.06 (1H, s, CHO). Found, %: N 14.53. C₂₄H₃₂N₆OCl₂. Calculated, %: N 14.73.

1,2,2-Trimethyl-5-[5-(4-nitrophenyl)-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl]-2,3-dihydro-1H-indazol-2-ium Chloride (8). Yield 24%; mp 257.5-258.5°C (ethanol). ¹H NMR spectrum (300 MHz, DMSO-d₆), δ, ppm: 2.77 (6H, s, N(CH₃)₂); 2.86 (3H, s, NCH₃); 4.38 (2H, s, CH₂); 6.83 (1H, d, 2-H); 8.04 (1H, d, 3-H); 8.11 (1H, s, 1-H); 8.34 (2H, d, 4,7-H); 8.46 (2H, d, 5,6-H). Found, %: N 17.80; Cl 8.97. C₁₈H₁₈N₅O₃Cl. Calculated, %: N 18.06; Cl 9.14.

N,N-Dimethyl-2-methylamino-5-[5-(4-nitrophenyl)-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl]phenylmethanamine (9). Yield 60%; mp 228-230°C (toluene-hexane, 1:1). ¹H NMR spectrum (300 MHz, DMSO-d₆), δ, ppm: 2.18 (6H, s, N(CH₃)₂); 2.87 (3H, s, NHCH₃); 3.46 (2H, s, CH₂); 6.67 (1H, s, NH); 6.71 (1H, d, 2-H); 7.74 (1H, s, 1-H); 7.90 (1H, d, 3-H); 8.32 (2H, d, 4,7-H); 8.41 (2H, d, 5,6-H). Found, %: N 19.54. C₁₈H₁₉N₅O₃. Calculated, %: N 19.82.

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