# A New Method for the Synthesis of 4H-1,3,4-Thiadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxalines Yoshibisa Kurasawa\* and Masae Sekine

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The reaction of 6-chloro-2-[1-methyl-2-(N-methylthiocarbamoyl)hydrazino]quinoxaline 4-oxide 5 with acetic anhydride or trifluoroacetic anhydride resulted in dehydrative cyclization to give 2-(N-acetyl)-methylamino-8-chloro-4-methyl-4H-1,3,4-thiadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxaline 6 or 8-chloro-2-(N-trifluoroacetyl)methylamino-4-methyl-4H-1,3,4-thiadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxaline 9, respectively. The oxidation of compound 6 or 9 with 2-fold molar amount of m-chloroperbenzoic acid afforded the 4H-1,3,4-thiadiazino-[5,6-b]quinoxaline 1,1-dioxide 8 or 13, respectively. The acetyl group of compound 6 was hardly hydrolyzed, but the trifluoroacetyl group of compound 9 was easily hydrolyzed to change into 8-chloro-4-methyl-2-methylamino-4H-1,3,4-thiadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxaline 10. The acylation of compound 10 with acetic anhydride, trifluoroacetic anhydride, phenyl isocyanate, and chloroacetyl chloride furnished the 2-(N-acetyl)methylamino 6, 2-(N-trifluoroacetyl)methylamino 9, 2-(1-methyl-3-phenylureido) 11, and 2-(N-chloroacetyl)methylamino 12 derivatives, respectively.

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Some of 4H-1,3,4-thiadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxalines 1 have been synthesized by the reaction of 2,3-dichloroquinoxaline 2 with thioacylhydrazines [1,2] (Chart 1) via the Smiles rearrangement [3]. The synthesis of the condensed 4H-1,3,4-thiadiazines 3 via 1,4-disubstituted thiosemicarbazides 4 [4,5] is essentially same as the above. These methods for the synthesis of the 4H-1,3,4-thiadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxalines 1 and condensed 4H-1,3,4-thiadiazines 3 are classified into the cyclization method I shown in Chart 2. However, there have been few reports on the synthesis of the 4H-1,3,4-thiadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxalines 1 by the cyclization

method II via an acylated quinoxaline N-oxides. Accordingly, we undertook the synthesis of 4H-1,3,4-thiadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxalines from the quinoxaline N-oxide 5 (Scheme 1), wherein the  $\alpha$ -carbon of quinoxaline N-oxides easily undergoes the nucleophilic attack after the acylation of the N-oxide moiety [6] (Chart 2). This paper describes a new method for the synthesis of novel 4H-1,3,4-thiadiazino[5,6-b]-quinoxalines 6-13 from the 2-(thiocarbamoylhydrazino)-quinoxaline 4-oxide 5 (Scheme 1).

Chart 2

R
O
R
O
R
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X
Cyclization Method I

Cyclization Method II

The reaction of compound 5 [7] with acetic anhydride gave 2-(N-acetyl)methylamino-8-chloro-4-methyl-4H-1,3,4-thiadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxaline 6 (61%), whose yield was improved by the reaction in acetic anhydride/acetic acid (81%). The oxidation of compound 6 with an equimolar or 2-fold molar amount of m-chloroperbenzoic acid afforded 2-(N-acetyl)methylamino-8-chloro-4-methyl-4H-1,3,4-thiadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxaline 1-oxide 7 or

1,1-dioxide 8 [8], respectively. Further oxidation of the 1-oxide 7 with an equimolar amount of *m*-chloroperbenzoic acid provided the 1,1-dioxide 8. Since an attempt for the deacetylation of compounds 6-8 was unsuccessful under several acidic or alkaline conditions, a different method was devised to obtain the deacetylated 2-methylamino compound 10 so as to produce some novel derivatives. The direct cyclization of compound 5 to the 2-methylamino derivative 10 with phosphoryl chloride was not convenient because of low yield, and hence trifluoroacetic anhydride was employed as an annelation agent in consideration of a facile hydrolytic elimination of the trifluoroacetyl group which would be formed in the side chain (Chart 3).

The reaction of compound 5 with trifluoroacetic anhydride under reflux in dioxane furnished 8-chloro-2-(N-trifluoroacetyl)methylamino-4-methyl-4H-1,3,4-thiadi-

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azino[5,6-b]quinoxaline 9, whose trifluoroacetyl group was easily hydrolyzed with triethylamine/water to furnish 8-chloro-4-methyl-2-methylamino-4*H*-1,3,4-thiadiazino-[5,6-b]quinoxaline 10. The reaction of compound 10 with

Chart 4

Cl N S N Me

A

$$^{3}J = 2.5 \text{ Hz}$$
 $^{1}N_{Me}$ 
 $^{3}J = 3.0 \text{ Hz}$ 

Cl N S Me

 $^{1}N_{N}$ 
 $^{1}N_{N}$ 
 $^{3}M_{N}$ 
 $^{4}M_{N}$ 
 $^{2}J = 6.0 \text{ Hz}$ 

6

Carbon  $\delta$  in CF<sub>3</sub>COOD

C<sub>2</sub> 146.7

C<sub>2</sub>-NMe 35.3

C=O 177.9

11

12

#### Scheme 2

acetic anhydride, trifluoroacetic anhydride, phenyl isocyanate, or chloroacetyl chloride gave compound 6, compound 9, 8-chloro-4-methyl-2-(1-methyl-3-phenylureido)-4H-1,3,4-thiadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxaline 11, or 8-chloro-2-(N-chloroacetyl)methylamino-4-methyl-4H-1,3,4-thiadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxaline 12, respectively. The oxidation of compound 9 with a 2-fold molar amount of m-chloroperbenzoic acid provided 8-chloro-2-(N-trifluoroacetyl)methylamino-4-methyl-4H-1,3,4-thiadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxaline 1,1-dioxide 13. The mechanism for the acylative cyclization of compound 5 to compounds 6 and 9 is shown in Scheme 2.

The structural assignment of novel compounds 6-13 was based on the analytical and spectral data. In the nmr spectra of compound 6, the  $^3$ J coupling between the  $C_2$ -NCH<sub>3</sub> protons and acetyl C=O carbon excluded the 3-acetyl-2-methylimino structure A (Chart 4). Moreover, compound 7 was found to be composed of  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -oxides from the nmr spectral data. The ratio of the major to minor isomer was 78 versus 22.

#### **EXPERIMENTAL**

All melting points were determined on a Yazawa micro melting point BY-2 apparatus and are uncorrected. The ir spectra (potassium bromide) were recorded with a JASCO IRA-1 spectrophotometer. The nmr spectra were measured with a Varian XL-400 spectrometer at 400 MHz. The chemical shifts are given in the  $\delta$  scale. The mass spectra (ms) were determined with a JEOL JMS-01S spectrometer. Elemental analyses were performed on a Perkin-Elmer 240B instrument.

2-(N-Acetyl) methylamino-8-chloro-4-methyl-4H-1,3,4-thiadiazino [5,6-b] quinoxaline 6.

## Method A.

A solution of compound 5 (5 g) in acetic anhydride (150 ml) was refluxed in an oil bath for 2 hours. Evaporation of the solvent in vacuo afforded an oily residue, which was crystallized from ethanol/water to provide yellow needles (3.3 g, 61%). Recrystallization from ethanol gave yellow needles 6, mp 186-187°; ir: v cm<sup>-1</sup> 1680, 1590, 1520; ms: m/z 321 (M<sup>+</sup>), 323 (M<sup>+</sup> + 2); pmr (deuteriodimethyl sulfoxide): 7.69 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, C<sub>9</sub>-H), 7.57 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-H), 7.52 (dd, J = 2.0, 8.5 Hz, 1 H, C<sub>7</sub>-H), 3.36 (s, 3H, N<sub>4</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.21 (s, 3H, C<sub>2</sub>-NCCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.21 (s, 3H, C<sub>2</sub>-NCOCH<sub>3</sub>).

Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{13}H_{12}ClN_5OS$ : C, 48.52; H, 3.76; Cl, 11.02; N, 21.77; S, 9.96. Found: C, 48.50; H, 3.77; Cl, 11.16; N, 21.72; S, 9.68.

#### Method B.

A solution of compound 5 (10 g) in acetic anhydride (150 ml)/acetic acid (150 ml) was refluxed in an oil bath for 2 hours. Evaporation of the solvent *in vacuo* afforded an oily residue, which was crystallized from ethanol/water to provide yellow needles 6 (8.73 g, 81%). Recrystallization from ethanol gave yellow needles.

2-(N-Acetyl)methylamino-8-chloro-4-methyl-4H-1,3,4-thiadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxaline 1-Oxide 7.

A solution of compound 6 (5 g, 15.6 mmoles) and *m*-chloroperbenzoic acid (50% purity) (5.90 g, 1.1 equivalent) in ethanol (250 ml) was refluxed on a boiling water bath for 4 hours. The solution was allowed to stand overnight to precipitate yellow scales of 7, which were collected by suction filtration and washed with ethanol to give an analytically pure sample (2.09 g, 40%), mp 199-200°; ir: v cm<sup>-1</sup> 3040, 2930, 1650, 1590, 1520; ms: m/z 337 (M<sup>+</sup>), 339 (M<sup>+</sup> + 2); pmr (deuteriotrifluoroacetic acid): [major *S*-oxide (78%)] 8.20 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 0.78H, C<sub>9</sub>-H), 7.91 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 0.78H, C<sub>6</sub>-H), 7.74 (dd, J = 1.5, 9.0 Hz, 0.78H, C<sub>7</sub>-H), 3.96 (s, 2.34H, N<sub>4</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.37 (s, 2.34H, C<sub>2</sub>-NCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.31 (s, 2.34H, C<sub>2</sub>-NCOCH<sub>3</sub>); [minor *S*-oxide (22%)] 8.50 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 0.22H, C<sub>9</sub>-H), 8.40 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 0.22H, C<sub>6</sub>-H), 4.24 (s, 0.66H, N<sub>4</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.67 (s, 0.66H, C<sub>2</sub>-NCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.42 (s, 0.66H, C<sub>2</sub>-NCOCH<sub>3</sub>). The C<sub>7</sub>-H proton signal of the minor *S*-oxide was overlapped with other signals.

Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{13}H_{12}ClN_5O_2S$ : C, 46.22; H, 3.58; Cl, 10.49; N, 20.73; S, 9.49. Found: C, 46.19; H, 3.68; Cl, 10.28; N, 20.56; S, 9.35.

2-(N-Acetyl)methylamino-8-chloro-4-methyl-4H-1,3,4-thiadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxaline 1,1-Dioxide 8.

#### From compound 6.

A solution of compound 6 (10 g, 31.1 mmoles) and *m*-chloroperbenzoic acid (purity, 50%) (26.83 g, 2.5 equivalents) in ethanol (500 ml) was refluxed on a boiling water bath for 4 hours to precipitate yellow needles of 8. After the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, the yellow needles 8 were collected by suction filtration and washed with ethanol to give an analytically pure sample (6.31 g, 57%), mp 258-259°; ir: v cm<sup>-1</sup> 1680, 1590, 1520; ms: m/z 353 (M<sup>+</sup>), 355 (M<sup>+</sup> + 2); pmr (deuteriodimethyl sulfoxide): 8.45 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, C<sub>9</sub>-H), 8.16 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-H), 8.09 (dd, J = 2.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H, C<sub>7</sub>-H), 3.94 (s, 3H, N<sub>4</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.26 (s, 3H, C<sub>2</sub>-NCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.16 (s, 3H, C<sub>2</sub>-NCOCH<sub>3</sub>).

Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{13}H_{12}ClN_5O_3S$ : C, 44.13; H, 3.42; Cl, 10.03; N, 19.80; S, 9.07. Found: C, 44.11; H, 3.49; Cl, 9.91; N, 19.90; S, 8.88.

# From the 1-Oxide 7.

A solution of the 1-oxide 7 (1 g, 2.96 mmoles) and m-chloroperbenzoic acid (purity, 50%) (1.53 g, 1.5 equivalents) in ethanol (50 ml) was refluxed on a boiling water bath for 1 hour to precipitate yellow needles of 8, which were collected by suction filtration and washed with ethanol to give an analytically pure sample (0.74 g, 71%).

8-Chloro-2-(*N*-trifluoroacetyl)methylamino-4-methyl-4*H*-1,3,4-thiadiazino[5,6-*b*]quinoxaline 9.

A solution of compound 5 (10 g, 33.6 mmoles) in trifluoroacetic anhydride (20 ml)/dioxane (400 ml) was refluxed in an oil bath for 2 hours. Evaporation of the solvent in vacuo afforded an oily residue, which was crystallized from ethanol/water to provide yellow needles of 9 (11.10 g, 88%). Recrystallization from dioxane/ethanol gave yellow needles, mp 151-152°; ir: v cm<sup>-1</sup> 1710, 1660, 1685, 1520; ms: m/z 375 (M<sup>+</sup>), 377 (M<sup>+</sup> + 2); pmr (deuteriodimethyl sulfoxide): 7.72 (dd, J = 2.0, 0.5 Hz, 1H, C<sub>9</sub>-H), 7.61 (dd, J = 0.5, 9.0 Hz, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-H), 7.57 (dd, J = 2.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H, C<sub>7</sub>-H), 3.37 (s, 3H, N<sub>4</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.25 (s, 3H, C<sub>2</sub>-NCH<sub>3</sub>).

Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>9</sub>ClF<sub>3</sub>N<sub>5</sub>OS: C, 41.55; H, 2.41; N, 18.64; S, 8.53. Found: C, 41.57; H, 2.51; N, 18.57; S, 8.61.

8-Chloro-4-methyl-2-methylamino-4H-1,3,4-thiadiazino[5,6-b]-quinoxaline 10.

A solution of compound 9 (10 g) in triethylamine (5 ml)/water (50 ml)/dioxane (150 ml) was refluxed in an oil bath for 30 minutes. Evaporation of the solvent *in vacuo* gave orange needles of 10, which were triturated with ethanol/water and then collected by suction filtration (7.19 g, 87%). Recrystallization from ethanol/water afforded orange needles, mp 147-148°; ir: v cm<sup>-1</sup> 3240, 1620, 1590, 1520; ms: m/z 279 (M<sup>+</sup>), 281 (M<sup>+</sup> + 2); pmr (deuteriodimethyl sulfoxide): 7.65 (dd, J = 2.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H,  $C_9$ -H), 7.52 (dd, J = 9.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H,  $C_6$ -H), 7.48 (dd, J = 2.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H,  $C_7$ -H), 6.92 (q, J = 4.5 Hz, 1H,  $C_7$ -NH),3.31 (s, 3H,  $C_9$ -H3), 2.72 (d, J = 4.5 Hz, 3H,  $C_7$ -NCH3).

Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{11}H_{10}ClN_5S$ : C, 47.23; H, 3.60; Cl, 12.67; N, 25.04; S, 11.46. Found: C, 47.07; H, 3.59; Cl, 12.56; N, 24.77; S, 11.21.

8-Chloro-4-methyl-2-(1-methyl-3-phenylureido)-4H-1,3,4-thia-diazino[5,6-b]quinoxaline 11.

A solution of compound 10 (5 g, 17.9 mmoles) and phenyl isocyanate (3.19 g, 26.8 mmoles) in triethylamine (1 ml)/dioxane (50 ml) was refluxed in an oil bath for 3 hours. Evaporation of the solvent *in vacuo* afforded an oily residue, which was crystallized from ethanol/water to provide yellow crystals of 11 (4.60 g, 65%). Recrystallization from dioxane/ethanol/water gave yellow needles of 11, mp 183-184°; ir: v cm<sup>-1</sup> 1690, 1600, 1590, 1545, 1515; ms: m/z 398 (M+), 340 (M+ + 2); pmr (deuteriodimethyl sulfoxide): 9.30 (s, 1H, NH), 7.63 (dd, J = 2.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H, C<sub>9</sub>-H), 7.53 (dd, J = 1.0, 8.5 Hz, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-H), 7.48 (dd, J = 8.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, C<sub>7</sub>-H), 7.47 (m, J = 7.5, 7.5, 1.0, 1.0 Hz, 2H, o-H), 7.30 (m, J = 7.5, 7.5, 1.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H, p-H), 3.36 (s, 3H, N<sub>4</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.31 (s, 3H, C<sub>2</sub>-NCH<sub>3</sub>).

Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{18}H_{15}ClN_6OS$ : C, 54.20; H, 3.79; C1, 8.89; N, 21.07; S, 8.04. Found: C, 54.20; H, 3.83; Cl, 8.90; N, 21.09; S, 8.01.

8-Chloro-2-(N-chloroacetyl)methylamino-4-methyl-4H-1,3,4-thiadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxaline 12.

A solution of compound 10 (1 g), chloroacetyl chloride (0.5 ml), and triethylamine (1 ml) in dioxane (30 ml) was refluxed in an oil bath for 30 minutes. Evaporation of the solvent in vacuo gave brown crystals of 12, which were triturated with ethanol/water and then collected by suction filtration (970 mg, 76%). Recrystallization from dioxane/ethanol/water afforded yellow needles, mp 168-169°; ir: v cm<sup>-1</sup> 1710, 1685, 1600; ms: m/z 355 (M<sup>+</sup>), 357 (M<sup>+</sup> + 2); pmr (deuteriodimethyl sulfoxide): 7.66 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H,  $C_9$ -H), 7.55 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H,  $C_6$ -H), 7.51 (dd, J = 2.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H,  $C_7$ -H), 4.67 (s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.34 (s, 3H, N<sub>4</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.20 (s, 3H,  $C_2$ -NCH<sub>3</sub>).

Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>11</sub>C<sub>12</sub>N<sub>5</sub>OS: C, 43.88; H, 3.11; Cl, 19.91; N, 19.66; S, 9.00. Found: C, 43.54; H, 3.24; Cl, 19.82; N, 19.63; S, 8.89.

8-Chloro-2-(N-trifluoroacetyl)methylamino-4-methyl-4H-1,3,4-thiadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxaline 1,1-Dioxide 13.

A solution of compound 9 (10 g, 26.5 mmoles) and *m*-chloroperbenzoic acid (purity, 50%) (22.9 g, 2.5 equivalents) in ethanol (250 ml) was refluxed on a boiling water bath for 3 hours. The hot solution was immediately filtered to precipitate orange needles of 13, which were collected by suction filtration and washed with ethanol to provide an analytically pure sample (6.35 g, 59%), mp 206-207°; ir: v cm<sup>-1</sup> 1690, 1680, 1650, 1510; ms: m/z 407 (M<sup>+</sup>), 409 (M<sup>+</sup> + 2); pmr (deuteriodimethyl sulfoxide): 8.51 (dd, J = 2.0, 0.8 Hz, 1H,  $C_9$ -H), 8.20 (dd, J = 0.8, 9.0 Hz, 1H,  $C_6$ -H), 8.14 (dd, J = 2.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H,  $C_7$ -H), 3.94 (s, 3H,  $N_4$ -CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.49 (s, 3H,  $C_2$ -NCH<sub>3</sub>).

Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>9</sub>ClF<sub>3</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S: C, 38.29; H, 2.22; N, 17.18; S, 7.86. Found: C, 38.47; H, 2.32; N, 17.33; S, 8.10.

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