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## SYNTHESIS AND BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY OF 2-HYDROXY-N(5-METHYLENE-4-OXO-2-ARYL- THIAZOLIDIN-3-YL)-BENZAMIDE

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*2-Hydroxy benzoic acid hydrazide (1) undergoes facile condensation with aromatic aldehydes to afford the corresponding 2-hydroxy benzoic acid arylidene hydrazides (2a–h) in good yields. Cyclocondensation of compounds 2a–h with thioglycolic acid yields 2-hydroxy-N(4-oxo-2-aryl-thiazolidin-3-yl)-benzamides (3a–h). These 3a–h compounds are for the reacted with benzaldehyde in the presence of sodium ethanolate affords, giving 2-hydroxy-N(5-methylene-4-oxo-2-aryl-thiazolidin-3-yl)-benzamides (4a–h). The structures of these compounds were established on the basis of analytical and spectral data. All the newly synthesized compounds were evaluated for their antibacterial and antifungal activities.*

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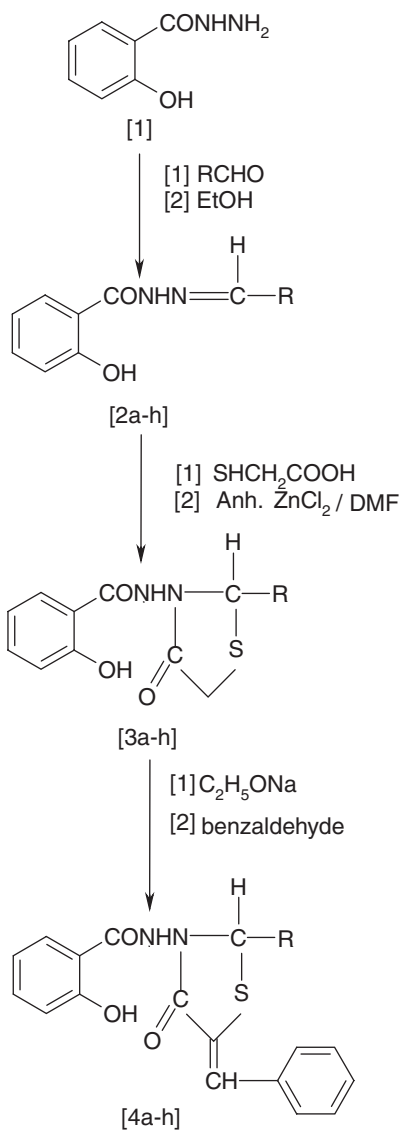
## INTRODUCTION

Hydrazides and their heterocyclized products display diverse biological activities including antibacterial, antifungal, analgesic, and anti-inflammatory properties.<sup>1–15</sup> These heterocyclic systems find wide use in medicine, agriculture, and industry. One of the hydrazides, 2-hydroxy benzoic acid hydrazide (i.e., salicylhydrazide) and its condensed products play a vital role in medicinal chemistry.<sup>16–18</sup> 4-Thiazolidinones and their arylidene compounds have good pharmacological properties.<sup>19–23</sup> 4-Thiazolidinones are also known to exhibit antitubercular,<sup>24</sup> antibacterial,<sup>25</sup> antifungal,<sup>26</sup> and anticonvulsant activities. Hence, it was thought of interest to merge both of thiazolidinone's and salicylhydrazide's moieties, which may enhance the drug activity of compounds to some extent, or they might possess some of the above-mentioned biological activities. From this point of view, the objective of the present work is to prepare new derivatives of salicylhydrazide containing thiazolidinone moiety. This article comprises the synthesis of 2-hydroxy-N(5-methylene-4-oxo-2-aryl-thiazolidin-3-yl)-benzamide. The synthetic approach is shown in Scheme 1.

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Where, R = (a) C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub> (e) 4-CH<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>

(b) 4-OCH<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> (f) 3,4-CH<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>

(c) 4-OH-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> (g) 4-OH-3-OCH<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>

(d) 2-OH-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> (h) 3,4-C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>

**Scheme 1**

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

It was observed that 2-hydroxy benzoic acid hydrazide (**1**), upon condensation with aromatic aldehydes, yields 2-hydroxy benzoic acid arylidene hydrazides (**2a–h**). The structures of **2a–h** were confirmed by elemental analysis and IR spectra, which showed an absorption band at 1620–1640 (C=N), 3030–3080  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C–H, of Ar.), 3450–3550  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (–OH), 2815–2850  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (–OCH<sub>3</sub>), 2950, 1370  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (–CH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR: 6.95–7.91 (9H, m) (Ar–H), 11.200–11.209 (1H, s) (–OH), 11.800–11.809 (1H, s) (–CONH), 8.43–8.80 (1H, s) (–N=CH), **2e**: 2.41 (3H, s) (–CH<sub>3</sub>), **2b**, **2g**: 3.90 (3H, s) (–OCH<sub>3</sub>), **2h**: 4.09 (4H, q) (CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.33 (6H, t) (CH<sub>3</sub>), **2f**: 6.09 (2H, s) (–OCH<sub>2</sub>O– cyclic). <sup>13</sup>C NMR: 117.9–118.1, 118.2–118.4, 121.8–122.0, 128.9–129.1, 129.2–129.4, 129.5–130.0, 131.2–131.5, 133.6–133.8, 133.9–134.3, 159.6–160.0 (Ar–10C), 163.5–163.8 (–CONH), 146.9–150.4 (–CH); **2b**, **2g**: 55.5–56.7 (–OCH<sub>3</sub>); **2e**: 22.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>); **2f**: 103.5 (OCH<sub>2</sub>O cyclic); **2h**: 65.3 (OCH<sub>2</sub>), 15.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>). The C, H, N analysis data of all compounds are presented in Table I.

The structures assigned to 2-hydroxy-N(4-oxo-2-aryl-thiazolidin-3-yl)-benzamides (**3a–h**) were supported by the elemental analysis and IR spectra showing an absorption bands at 1690  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C=O of thiazolidinone ring), 718  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C–S–C of thiazolidinone ring), 3075–3095  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (CH<sub>2</sub> of thiazolidinone ring), 3030–3080  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C–H, of Ar.), 3450–3550  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (–OH), 1660–1670  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (–CONH) for **3a** compound.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR: 3.85–3.95 (2H, s) (–CH<sub>2</sub> of the ring), 5.950–5.959 (1H, s) (–CH), 6.90–7.95 (9H, m) (Ar–H), 8.20–8.22 (1H, s) (–CONH), 11.200–11.209 (1H, s) (–OH), **3e**: 2.43 (3H, s) (–CH<sub>3</sub>), **3b**, **3g**: 3.91 (3H, s) (–OCH<sub>3</sub>), **3h**: 4.07 (4H q) (CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.33 (6H, t) (CH<sub>3</sub>), **3f**: 6.09 (2H, s) (–OCH<sub>2</sub>O– cyclic). <sup>13</sup>C NMR: 115.9–116.2, 121.3–121.5, 126.9–127.3, 127.4–127.6, 128.3–128.5, 128.6–128.8, 128.9–129.2, 139.2–139.4, 156.9–157.5, 168.9–169.3 (Ar–10C), 38.9–39.5 (–CH<sub>2</sub> of the ring), 67.8–68.3 (–CH), 164.8–165.9 (–CONH), 168.9–169.9 (–CO of the ring); **3b**, **3g**: 56.0–56.4 (–OCH<sub>3</sub>); **3e**: 22.9 (CH<sub>3</sub>); **3f**: 102.2 (OCH<sub>2</sub>O cyclic); **3h**: 65.8 (OCH<sub>2</sub>), 15.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>). The C, H, N, S analysis data of all compounds are presented in Table II.

The IR spectra of **4a–h** closely resemble those of the corresponding **3a–h**, with the only discernable difference observed that the new band at 1625  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (–C=CH–Ar) is observed (but not strong) in all the spectra of **4a–h**, which might be responsible.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR: 7.762 (1H, s) (–CH), 6.90–7.98 (9H, m) (Ar–H), 8.20–8.28 (1H, s) (–CONH), 5.350–5.359 (1H, s) (–OH), **4e**: 2.41 (3H, s) (–CH<sub>3</sub>), **4b**, **4g**: 3.92 (3H, s) (–OCH<sub>3</sub>), **4h**: 4.04, (4H, q) (–CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.33 (6H, t) (–CH<sub>3</sub>), **4f**: 6.09 (2H, s) (–OCH<sub>2</sub>O cyclic). <sup>13</sup>C NMR: 117.9–118.2, 118.5–119.9, 121.6–121.9, 125.9–126.3, 127.3–127.6, 128.7–128.8, 128.9–129.1, 133.8–134.0, 141.9–142.3, 159.5–160.8 (Ar–10C), 143.4–143.7 (–C– of the ring), 73.1–73.4 (–CH of the ring), 114.9–115.3 (–CH<sub>2</sub>), 166.5–166.7 (–CO), 166.8–166.9 (–CONH); **4b**, **4g**: 55.956.7 (–OCH<sub>3</sub>); **4e**: 21.8 (CH<sub>3</sub>); **4f**: 102.8 (OCH<sub>2</sub>O); **4h**: 66.1 (OCH<sub>2</sub>), 14.9 (CH<sub>3</sub>). The C, H, N, S analysis data of all compounds are presented in Table III.

The examination of elemental analytical data reveals that the elemental contents are consistence with the predicted structure shown in Scheme 1. The IR data also direct for assignment of the predicted structure. The final structures of all compounds are confirmed by LC-MS. LC-MS data for all compounds are presented in Tables I–III.

**Table I** Analytical data and elemental analysis of compounds **2a–h**

Compound	Molecular formula (Mol.wt.)	LC-MS LC-MS data	Yield	Mp* (°C)	Elemental analysis					
					%C		%H		%N	
					Found	Calcd.	Found	Calcd.	Found	Calcd.
<b>2a</b>	C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>12</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> (240)	246	89	232–236	69.97	70.00	4.97	5.00	11.64	11.67
<b>2b</b>	C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>14</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> (270)	277	82	240–241	66.65	66.67	5.15	5.19	10.34	10.37
<b>2c</b>	C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>12</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> (256)	262	79	236–238	65.60	65.63	4.66	4.69	10.95	10.94
<b>2d</b>	C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>12</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> (249)	255	85	231–235	69.97	70.00	4.97	5.00	11.64	11.67
<b>2e</b>	C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>14</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> (254)	261	81	238–240	70.85	70.87	5.48	5.51	11.00	11.02
<b>2f</b>	C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>12</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> (284)	289	83	240–244	63.35	63.38	4.19	4.23	9.83	9.86
<b>2g</b>	C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>14</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> (270)	278	80	241–246	66.64	66.67	5.15	5.19	10.33	10.37
<b>2h</b>	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>20</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> (328)	338	78	253–257	65.81	65.85	6.06	6.10	8.51	8.54

\*Uncorrected.

**Table II** Analytical data and elemental analysis of compounds **3a–h**

Compound	Molecular formula (Mol.wt.)	LC-MS data	Yield	Mp* (°C)	Elemental analysis					
					%C		%H		%N	
					Found	Calcd.	Found	Calcd.	Found	Calcd.
<b>3a</b>	C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>14</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> S (314)	321	65	210–212	61.12	61.15	4.44	4.46	8.90	8.92
<b>3b</b>	C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>16</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> S (344)	349	60	206–208	59.28	59.30	4.60	4.65	8.14	8.14
<b>3c</b>	C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>14</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> S (330)	340	57	155–158	58.15	58.18	4.20	4.24	8.46	8.48
<b>3d</b>	C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>14</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> S (330)	338	66	130–134	58.15	58.18	4.20	4.24	8.46	8.48
<b>3e</b>	C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>16</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> S (328)	336	62	167–170	62.17	62.20	4.86	4.88	8.50	8.54
<b>3f</b>	C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>14</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> S (358)	364	55	181–183	56.95	56.98	3.89	3.91	7.80	7.82
<b>3g</b>	C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>16</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> S (360)	366	49	154–156	56.65	56.67	4.41	4.44	7.75	7.78
<b>3h</b>	C <sub>20</sub> H <sub>22</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> S (402)	409	61	190–194	59.67	59.70	5.45	5.47	6.95	6.97

\*Uncorrected.

**Table III** Analytical data and elemental analysis of compounds **4a–h**

Compound	Molecular formula (Mol.wt.)	LC- MS data	Yield	Mp* (°C)	Elemental analysis					
					%C		%H		%N	
					Found	Calcd.	Found	Calcd.	Found	Calcd.
<b>4a</b>	C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>14</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> S (326)	331	70	214–218	62.50	62.57	4.20	4.29	8.51	8.59
<b>4b</b>	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>16</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> S (356)	361	64	220–221	60.63	60.67	4.41	4.49	7.80	7.87
<b>4c</b>	C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>14</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> S (342)	349	63	200–202	59.58	59.64	4.01	4.10	8.10	8.19
<b>4d</b>	C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>14</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> S (342)	350	55	206–208	59.58	59.64	4.01	4.10	8.10	8.19
<b>4e</b>	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>16</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> S (340)	346	50	195–198	63.48	63.53	4.61	4.71	8.18	8.24
<b>4f</b>	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>14</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> S (370)	377	59	207–210	58.30	58.38	3.70	3.78	7.50	7.57
<b>4g</b>	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>16</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> S (372)	379	58	193–195	56.02	58.06	4.21	4.30	7.48	7.53
<b>4h</b>	C <sub>21</sub> H <sub>22</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> S (414)	419	55	215–217	60.81	60.87	5.20	5.31	6.70	6.76

\*Uncorrected

## EXPERIMENTAL

Melting points were determined in open capillary tubes and were uncorrected. The IR spectra were recorded in KBr pellets on a Nicolet 400D spectrometer, and  $^1\text{H}$  NMR and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra were recorded in DMSO with TMS as internal standard on a Bruker spectrometer at 400 MHz and 100 MHz, respectively. LC-MS of selected samples were taken on an LC-MSD-Trip-SL.01046.

### Preparation of 2-Hydroxy Benzoic Acid Arylidene Hydrazide (2a–h)

An equimolecular mixture of 2-hydroxy benzoic acid hydrazide (**1**), (0.01 mol) and the aromatic aldehydes (**a–h**) in ethanol (15 mL) was refluxed on a water bath for 1–2 h. The solid separated was collected by filtration, dried, and recrystallized from ethanol. The yields, melting points, and other characterization data of these compounds are given in Table I.

### Preparation of 2-Hydroxy-N-(4-oxo-2-aryl-thiazolidin-3-yl)-benzamide (3a–h)

A mixture of 2-hydroxy benzoic acid arylidene hydrazide (**2a–h**) (0.01 mol) in THF (30 mL) and mercaptoacetic acid (thioglycolic acid) (0.01 mol) with a pinch of anhydrous  $\text{ZnCl}_2$  was refluxed for 12 h. The solvent was then removed to get a residue, which was dissolved in benzene and passed through a column of silica gel using a benzene/chloroform (8:2; v/v) mixture as eluent. The eluent was concentrated, and the product was crystallized from alcohol to give 4-thiazolidinones (**3a–h**), which were obtained in 50–65% yield. The yields, melting points, and other characterization data of these compounds are given in Table II.

### Preparation of 2-Hydroxy-N(5-methylene-4-oxo-2-aryl-thiazolidin-3-yl)-benzamide (4a–h)

An equimolar solution of N-(3-chloro-2-oxo-4-aryl-azetidin-1-yl)-2-hydroxy-benzamide (**3a–h**) and benzaldehyde in dioxane (50 mL) in the presence of  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{ONa}$  was refluxed for about 3 h. The solvent was removed in vacuo. The resulting product was recrystallized from methanol to yield compound **4a–h**. The yields, melting points, and other characterization data of these compounds are given in Table III.

## BIOLOGICAL SCREENING

### Antibacterial Activities

The antibacterial activities of all the compounds were studied against Gram-positive bacteria (*Staphylococcus aureus* and *Bacillus subtilis*) and Gram-negative bacteria (*E.coli* and *Klebsiella promioe*) at a concentration of 50  $\mu\text{g/mL}$  by agar cup plate method. For results, see the Supplemental Materials, Tables S1–S4, available online.



## Antifungal Activities

The fungicidal activity of all the compounds was studied at 1000 ppm concentration in vitro. Plant pathogenic organisms used were *Nigrospora Sp*, *Aspergillus niger*, *Botrydepladia thiobromine*, *Rhizopus nigricum*, and *Fusarium oxysporium*. For results, see the Supplemental Materials, Tables S1–S4, available online.

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