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The reaction of ethyl chloroformate with iminoesters derived from 3-aminotriazole, followed by amine or phenyl hydrazine condensation, leads to a variety of 1,2,4-triazolo-1,3,5-triazin-4-ones in a 60–85% overall yield.

Keywords 1,2,4-triazolo-1,3,5-triazin-4-ones; 3-amino-triazole; amine; Ethylchloroformate; iminoesters; phenyl hydrazine

INTRODUCTION

Its important to note here that triazolo-triazines and its derivatives are known for their useful properties, ranging from pharmacological and biological activities.^{1–3} For instance, in recent years, some triazolo-triazine compounds have shown potent antitumor and antiviral activity.^{4–8} Our interest for theses compounds is due to the well-known, interesting pharmaceuticals properties.

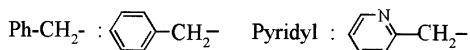
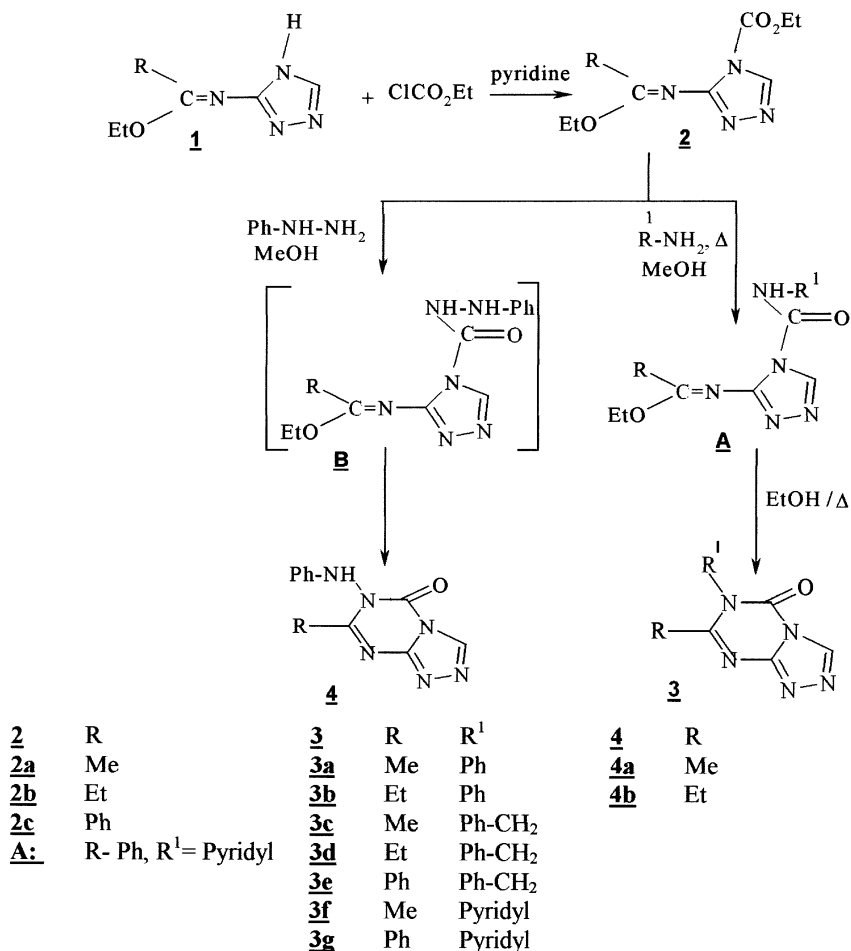
A variety of methods were used to obtain triazolo-triazine derivatives.^{8–12}

RESULT AND DISCUSSION

We have successfully obtained substituted triazolo-triazine **3** or **4** starting from iminoesters **1** in a two-step transformation. Iminoesters **1** were treated with an equivalent of ethyl chloroformate in the presence of a small excess of pyridine in order to form N-3- (4-carbethoxy) triazolyl imidate **2**. Furthermore, the mixture of an excess of amine and compound **2** was heated under reflux for 4 h to transform them into triazolo-triazine **3**, presumably via the intermediate **A** (Scheme 1).

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SCHEME 1

The condensation of phenyl hydrazine with compound **2** at r.t. leads to triazolo-triazine **4** after 5 days.

The structure of compound **2** was deduced from their IR and ¹H NMR spectra.

The structural features of our target compounds **3** or **4** were elucidated by IR and ¹H and ¹³C spectral data.

The formation of compound **3** was confirmed by the IR spectra showing a strong band in the region of 1720–1740 cm⁻¹ assigned to the

carbonyl group and another band in the region 1620 cm^{-1} assigned for $\text{C}=\text{N}$. The IR and ^1H NMR data confirm the structure of compound **4**.

The IR spectrum of **4** exhibited absorption bands for NH , $\text{C}=\text{N}$, and $\text{C}=\text{O}$ groups. ^1H NMR spectrum recorded in $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ revealed a singlet in the region of $\delta = 7.5\text{--}7.8$, attributed to the NH proton.

The ^{13}C NMR spectra display the characteristic signals of all carbons.

From a mechanistic viewpoint, we have isolated one intermediate **A**. The attack of the carbon of the carbamate group by the nitrogen atom of the amine forms **A**. The latter undergoes intramolecular nucleophilic cyclization to give the derivatives of triazolotriazines **3** (Scheme 1).

The condensation of phenyl hydrazine and compound **2** at r.t. gives **4**; we could not isolate intermediate **B**.

EXPERIMENTAL

IR spectra were run in a CHCl_3 solution on a Perkin Elmer Paragon 1000 PC spectrometer.

^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded with CDCl_3 or $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$ as a solvent containing TMS on a Bruker 300 spectrometer. The chemical shifts are reported in ppm relative to TMS (internal reference). For the ^1H NMR, the multiplicities of signals are indicated by the following abbreviations: s: singlet; d: doublet; t: triplet; q: quartet; and m: multiplet.

Melting points were obtained using a Büchi melting point apparatus.

Synthesis of Imidates Type 1

Imidates type **1** was obtained from the condensation of 3-amino-1,2,4-triazole with an excess of orthoester in the presence of acetic acid. The mixture was refluxed for 3 h; the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure. The solid product so formed was filtered according to the published procedure.^{13–15}

Synthesis of Imidates Type 2

To a mixture of 0.011 mol of imidate **1** and 0.012 mole of pyridine in 50 mL of anhydrous ether, 0.011 mol of ethyl chloroformate was added drop wise at 0°C . The mixture was stirred for 3 h. The pyridinium chlorhydrate obtained was filtered, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The resulting solid was washed three times with anhydrous Et_2O and then used for further steps.

- 2a:** Yield: 90%, m.p. = 110, IR (CHCl₃) ν_{CO} = 1770 cm⁻¹, ν_{CN} = 1660 cm⁻¹, NMR ¹H (CDCl₃): 8.7(s, 1H), 4.5(q, 4H), 1.4(t, 6H), 2.2(s, 3H).
2b: Yield: 80%, m.p. = 127°C, IR (CHCl₃) ν_{CO} = 1770 cm⁻¹, ν_{CN} = 1660 cm⁻¹, NMR ¹H (CDCl₃): 8.7(s, 1H), 4.5(q, 4H), 1.4(t, 9H), 2.5(q, 2H).
2c: Yield: 85%, m.p. = 63°C, IR (CHCl₃) ν_{CO} = 1770 cm⁻¹, ν_{CN} = 1660 cm⁻¹, NMR ¹H (CDCl₃): 8.5(s, 1H), 4.5(q, 4H), 1.4(t, 6H), 7.3(s, 5H).

Synthesis of Triazolo-Triazinones **3** and **4**

Synthesis of 1,2,4-Triazolo-1,3,5-triazine-4-ones **3**

The treatment of compound **2** with an excess of amine using methanol as a solvent and heating the mixture under reflux for 4 h gave **3**. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure; the solid product so formed was collected by filtration, dried, and recrystallized from ethanol to give **3**.

Intermediate A: Yield = 50% m.p. = 160°C, IR (CHCl₃ $\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})$): ν_{NH} = 3460; $\nu_{\text{C=N}}$ = 1650, $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$ = 1750, ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): 4. 7(1, 2H); 7.3–7.6(mu, 9H); 9.8(s, 1H); 8.5(1, 1H); 1.4(t, 3H); 4.3(q, 2H).

3a: Yield = 60%, m.p. = 190°C, IR (CHCl₃ $\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})$): $\nu_{\text{C=N}}$ = 1610, $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$ = 1710, ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): 2.4(s, 3H); 7–7.4(mu, 5H); 10(s, 1H), ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): 15.7; 124; 138; 129; 131; 141.5; 148; 159.5; 160.

3b: Yield = 67%, m.p. = 160°C, IR (CHCl₃ $\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})$): $\nu_{\text{C=N}}$ = 1615, $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$ = 1710, ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): 1.2(t, 3H); 2.4(q, 2H); 7–7.4(mu, 5H); 10(s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): 10.5; 30; 124; 129.5; 138; 140; 141.2; 147; 157.5; 160.

3c: Yield = 63%, m.p. = 210°C, IR (CHCl₃ $\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})$): $\nu_{\text{C=N}}$ = 1610, $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$ = 1710, ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): 2.2(s, 3H); 4.6(1, 2H); 7.2–7.4(mu, 5H); 10 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): 17.5; 46; 128; 129; 130.7; 136.4; 141.2; 151; 157.5; 161.

Analyze	Calcd.:	%C = 55.6	% H = 4.5	% N = 29.0
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Found:	%C = 55.0	% H = 4.3	% N = 28.7
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3d: Yield = 65%, m.p. = 172°C, IR (CHCl₃ $\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})$): $\nu_{\text{C=N}}$ = 1610, $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$ = 1710, ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): 2.2(q, 2H); 4.6(1, 2H); 7.2–7.4(mu, 5H); 10(s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): 12.5; 29; 46; 128; 129; 130.7; 136.4; 141.2; 151; 157.5; 161.

3e: Yield = 60%, m.p. = 212°C, IR (CHCl₃ $\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})$): $\nu_{\text{C=N}}$ = 1610, $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$ = 1720, ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): 4.6(1, 2H); 7.2–8.6(mu, 10H); 9.6(s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): 47; 125; 128; 129; 130.7; 136.4; 141.2; 151; 156; 157.5; 164.

3f: Yield = 78% m.p. = 175°C, IR (CHCl₃ $\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})$): $\nu_{\text{C=N}}$ = 1620, $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$ = 1725, ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): 2.4(s, 3H); 4.7(1,2H); 7.2–7.6(mu, 4H); 10(s, 1H).

3g: Yield = 75%, m.p. = 185°C, IR (CHCl₃ ν (cm⁻¹)): $\nu_{\text{C}=\text{N}}$ = 1620, $\nu_{\text{C}=\text{O}}$ = 1725, ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): 4.7(1, 2H); 7.2–7.6. (mu, 10H); 9.7(s, 1H).

Synthesis of Triazolo-Triazine 4

Treatment of iminoesters **2** with an excess of phenyl hydrazine at r.t. for 5 days in methanol gave **4**. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the solid was crystallized in methanol.

4a Yield = 70%, m.p. = 225°C, IR (KBr, ν (cm⁻¹)): ν_{NH} = 3360, $\nu_{\text{C}=\text{N}}$ = 1630, $\nu_{\text{C}=\text{O}}$ = 1725, ¹H NMR ((CD₃)₂SO): 2.1(s, 3H), 7–7.2(mu, 5H); 7.7(s 1H); 7.8(mu, 1H); 9.7(s, 1h).

4b Yield = 75%, m.p. = 205°C, IR (KBr ν (cm⁻¹)): ν_{NH} = 3360 $\nu_{\text{C}=\text{N}}$ 1630, $\nu_{\text{C}=\text{O}}$ 1725, ¹H NMR ((CD₃)₂SO): 2.55(q, 2H), 1.2(t, 3H) 7–7.2 (mu, 5H); 7.7(s, 1H); 7.8(mu, 1H); 9.7(s, 1H).

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