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ABSTRACT

Oxazepines and its bioisosteres are potent antipsychotic, anticancer agents, and heat shock protein 90 inhibitors. A new method for the synthesis of 2, 3-dihydrobenzo[e] [1, 4] oxazepin-5(1*H*)-ones from anthranilic acid and allyl halides or allyl methanesulphonate, by halolactonization is described. Anthranilic acid was reacted with halides or allyl methanesulphonate under basic condition, followed by addition of iodine or NBS at 25 °C provided desired 2, 3-dihydrobenzo[e] [1, 4] oxazepin-5(1*H*)-ones.

Key words: Oxazepine, Halolactonization, Iodine, Anthranilic acid, Allyl halide.

INTRODUCTION

Oxazepines and its derivatives are an important class of heterocyclic compounds as they exhibit several biological activities such as β Secretase antagonism,¹ glycogen phosphorylase inhibition,² antipsychotic,³ non-steroidal progesterone receptor antagonism,⁴ heat shock protein 90 inhibition,⁵ NMDA receptor antagonism for anticonvulsant activity,⁶ inhibition of *stearoyl-CoA desaturase*.⁷ There are several novel oxazepines which show potent anticancer activity by targeting *phosphoinositide 3-kinases*, *EGFR*, apoptosis proteins, *telomerase* enzyme⁸⁻¹¹. The current authors are interested in design, synthesis and study of anticancer activity of novel oxazepine bioisosteres. The current authors have designed novel 2, 3-dihydrobenzo[e] [1, 4] oxazepin-5(1*H*)-ones as anticancer agents, and there are very few reported methods for synthesis of these molecules.

Singh et al. have described synthesis of benz-oxazepines from anthranilic acid and epoxides¹². In order to make a library of compounds, varieties of epoxides are required, and all epoxides are not commercially available. So, epoxides should be prepared, and it takes two steps to prepare benzoxazepines. Herein, the current authors report a new method for synthesis of 2, 3-dihydrobenzo[e] [1, 4] oxazepin-5(1*H*)-ones from anthranilic acid, allyl halides or allyl

methanesulphonate, and iodine or NBS by halolactonization. Halolactonization is an organic reaction for the synthesis of lactones by the addition of an oxygen, and iodine or bromine across a carbon-carbon double bond^{13,14}.

MATERIAL AND METHODS

All reactions were carried out in oven-dried glassware. Dry DMF, potassium *tert*-butoxide, iodine, *N*-bromosuccinimide (NBS), methane sulphonyl chloride were purchased from Loba Chemie. Anthranilic acid, allyl bromide, allyl chloride, allyl alcohol were purchased from Aldrich. Proton NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker (300 MHz) spectrometer by use of CDCl₃ as the solvent. FTIR spectra were obtained by use of Perkin-Elmer spectrometer.

3-(Bromomethyl)-2, 3-dihydrobenzo[e] [1, 4] oxazepin-5(1*H*)-one (3a):

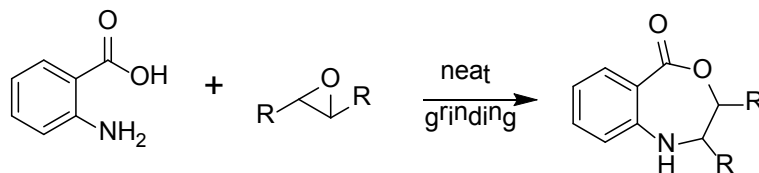
To a stirred solution of anthranilic acid (137.2 mg, 1.01 mmol) in dry DMF (5.0 mL) at 0 °C potassium *tert*-butoxide (123.4 mg, 1.11 mmol) was added portion wise over 15 min. Then allyl bromide (122.1 mg, 1.01 mmol) was added to it and heated at 80 °C in an oil bath for 6 hours. The reaction flask was allowed to cool to room temperature, iodine (253.8 mg, 1.01 mmol) and sodium bicarbonate (168.1 mg, 2.01 mmol) were added to it, stirred for 18 hours at room temperature. The reaction was quenched with water, extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 10 mL), and the combined

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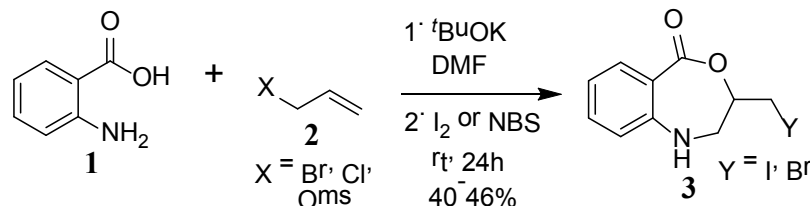
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organic layers were washed with water, dried over MgSO_4 , filtered, and evaporated under vacuum. The crude mass was purified by use of column chromatography on silica gel to provide compound **3a** (127.6 mg, 42%) as brown solid (15% EtOAc in *n*-hexanes, TLC $R_f = 0.62$). $^1\text{H NMR}$ (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz) δ 8.25 (s, 1 H, NH), 8.16 (d, 1 H, $J = 4.5$ Hz, $1 \times \text{ArH}$), 7.62-7.59 (m, 2H, $2 \times \text{ArH}$), 6.57 (d, 1 H, $J = 9.0$ Hz, $1 \times \text{ArH}$), 4.77 (m, 1 H, CH), 3.93-3.86 (m, 4 H, CH_2); IR (neat) 3068 (ArH), 1692 (C=O), 1380 (C-N); Mass, calculated for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{10}\text{BrNO}_2$ 254.99 and molecular ion (M+1) peak from LCMS was obtained at 255.99.

3-(Iodomethyl)-2, 3-dihydrobenzo[e] [1, 4] oxazepin-5(1H)-one (3b):

To a stirred solution of anthranilic acid (137.2 mg, 1.01 mmol) in dry DMF (5.0 mL) at 0°C potassium *tert*-butoxide (123.4 mg, 1.11 mmol) was added portion wise over 15 min. Then allyl bromide (122.1 mg, 1.01 mmol) was added to it, heated at 80°C in an oil bath for 6 hours. The reaction flask was allowed to cool to room temperature, NBS (178.1 mg, 1.01 mmol) and sodium bicarbonate (168.1 mg, 2.01 mmol) were added to it, stirred for 18 hours at room temperature. The reaction was quenched with water, extracted with ethyl acetate (3×10 mL), and the combined organic layers were washed with water, dried over MgSO_4 , filtered, and evaporated under vacuum. The crude mass was purified by use of column chromatography on silica gel to provide compound **3b** (114.7 mg, 45%) as yellow solid (15% EtOAc in *n*-hexanes, TLC $R_f = 0.56$). $^1\text{H NMR}$ (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz) δ 8.19 (s, 1 H, NH), 8.06 (d, 1 H, $J = 4.8$ Hz, $1 \times \text{ArH}$), 7.49-7.46 (m, 2H, $2 \times \text{ArH}$), 6.57 (d, 1 H, $J = 9.0$ Hz, $1 \times$

ArH), 4.91 (m, 1 H, CH), 3.99-3.86 (m, 4 H, CH_2); IR (neat) 3060 (ArH), 1691 (C=O), 1380 (C-N); Mass, calculated for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{10}\text{INO}_2$ 302.98 and molecular ion (M+1) peak from LCMS was obtained at 303.98.

2-(Allylamino) benzoic acid (5):¹⁵

To a stirred solution of anthranilic acid (137.2 mg, 1.01 mmol) in dry DMF (5.0 mL) at 0°C potassium *tert*-butoxide (123.4 mg, 1.11 mmol) was added portion wise over 15 min. Then allyl bromide (122.1 mg, 1.01 mmol) was added to it, heated at 80°C in an oil bath for 6 hours. Then the reaction was quenched with water, extracted with ethyl acetate (3×10 mL), and the combined organic layers were washed with water, dried over MgSO_4 , filtered, and evaporated under vacuum. The crude mass was purified by use of column chromatography on silica gel to provide compound **5** (99.2 mg, 56%) as white solid (30% EtOAc in *n*-hexanes, TLC $R_f = 0.62$). $^1\text{H NMR}$ (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz) δ 7.99 (d, 1 H, $J = 7.8$ Hz, $1 \times \text{ArH}$), 7.39 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, $1 \times \text{ArH}$), 6.67-6.59 (m, 2H, $2 \times \text{ArH}$), 5.99-5.89 (m, 1H, CH=), 5.26-5.16 (m, 2H, = CH_2), 4.81 (s, 1 H, NH), 3.89 (d, $J = 4.8$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2).

Allyl methanesulphonate (2c):¹⁶

The allyl methanesulphonate was prepared by following reported procedure.¹⁶ To a stirred solution of allyl alcohol (581.4 mg, 10.01 mmol), trimethylamine (3.1 g, 30.03 mmol) in dry dichloromethane (20.0 mL) at 0°C methane sulphonyl chloride (1.3 g, 11.01 mmol) was added drop wise over 10 min, and stirred at room temperature for 3 hours. Then the reaction was washed with water, dried over MgSO_4 , filtered, and evaporated under vacuum to provide compound **2c** (1.3 g, 92%).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION:

Table 1. Reaction of Anthranilic acid with Different Allyl substrates

Entry	Anthranilic acid	Allyl compound	Halo compound	Benzo-oxazepines	Reaction time (h)	Yield (%)
1			NBS		24	42
2	1		NBS	3a	24	40
3	1		NBS	3a	20	44
4	1	2a	I ₂		24	45
5	1	2b	I ₂	3b	24	45
6	1	2c	I ₂	3b	20	46

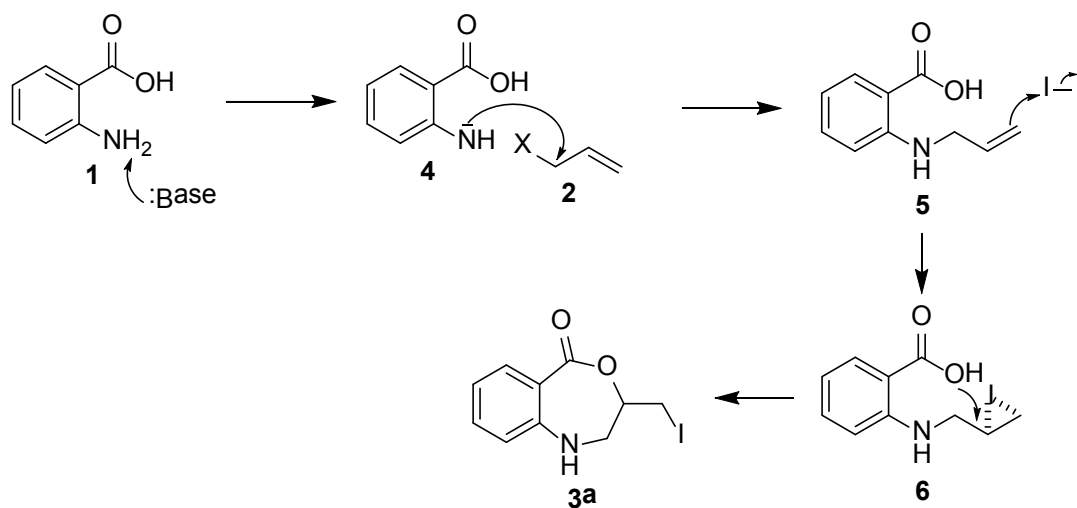


Figure 1. Plausible Mechanism of Halolactonization

The authors started initial study by using potassium *tert*-butoxide as base for abstraction of amine proton of anthranilic acid at 0 °C. The deprotonation was carried out at lower temperature in order to get higher quantity of desired anion 4, as carboxylic acid proton may also get abstracted. The reaction was then heated for substitution reaction with allylbromide, which was monitored by TLC, until the starting material was finished. Once, the *N*-allylation was over, the reaction was allowed to cool to room temperature. Then NBS was added and stirred at room temperature (rt), as

bromohydrin can be easily formed at room temperature. The desired compound 3a was obtained with moderate yield 42%. The authors have also replaced the bromo leaving group by chloro and OMs functional group. The allyl chloride 2b provided lower yield, whereas allyl methanesulphonate 2c gave higher yield (46%), and reaction time was reduced. Then authors tried to replace the NBS by iodine. The reaction also worked well with iodine, and provided the desired compound 3b in 45% yield.

Iodolactonization and bromolactonization¹³ are familiar reactions in organic synthesis for synthesis of lactones from allenic acids. The authors tried to apply iodolactonization concept to prepare desired benzo-oxazepines **3**. NBS and Iodine successfully formed halohydrin intermediate **6**, and then it underwent intramolecular cyclization to form the fused 7-membered ring compounds **3**.

In summary, the authors have developed a new mild reaction for the synthesis of 2, 3-dihydrobenzo[e] [1, 4] oxazepin-5(1H)-ones from commercially available anthranilic acid, and allyl halides or allyl methanesulphonate. This reaction provides halo substituted compounds, which can be functionalized by nucleophilic substitution reaction. This method will be used to prepare a library of compounds for several biological activity studies.

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