

The Chemistry of *N*-Hydroxyamidoximes, *N*-Aminoamidoximes, and Hydrazidines

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1. INTRODUCTION

N-Hydroxyamidoximes, *N*-aminoamidoximes, and hydrazidines belong to a class of compounds with the general formula $RC=N\dot{X}(NH\dot{Y})$ where $X = OH$ or NH_2 , $Y = OH$ or NH_2 , and R is a linear side chain, carbocycle residue, or heterocycle

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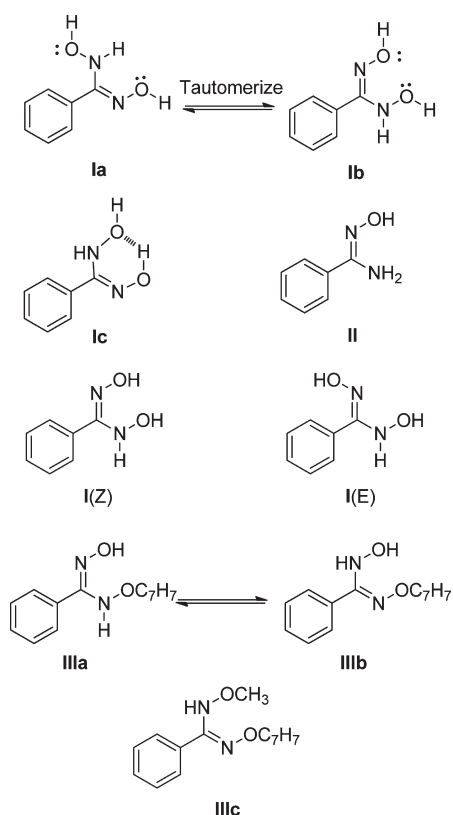


Figure 1. Tautomerization, conformation, and configuration of *N*-hydroxyamidoximes.

residue. Their structures are similar to those of amidoximes and amidrazones, but they possess very different synthetic utility and pharmacological properties. There are several reviews published on the synthetic and biological applications of amidrazones and amidoximes.^{1–8} However, a comprehensive review on the preparative methods, synthetic utility, and biological applications is missing for this class of compounds thus far. We now attempt to readdress the situation by providing a detailed compilation on the chemistry of *N*-hydroxyamidoximes, *N*-aminoamidoximes, and hydrazidines in terms of the structure, preparative methods, reactivity, and biological applications.

2. STRUCTURE AND CONFIGURATION

2.1. *N*-Hydroxyamidoximes

N-Hydroxyamidoximes **I** are sometimes named as *N,N'*-dihydroxyimidamides or oxyamidoximes **Ia**.¹ Clement et al. studied and compared chemical shifts and coupling constants J (^{15}N , ^1H) of several amidoximes via ^{15}N NMR (DMSO). Clements states that benzamidoxime **II** exists only in the form of an oxime with no other tautomer detected. "However, it was also claimed that *N*-hydroxybenzamidoxime **I** exists in two tautomeric forms (**Ia** and **Ib**) in rapid equilibrium (Figure 1)." Clement reported two ^{15}N signals associated with an oxime type nitrogen and a hydroxylamine type nitrogen but claimed that the lack of NH coupling was due to rapid tautomerism between **Ia** and **Ib**.^{9,10} Unfortunately, the two observations are incompatible since **Ia** and **Ib** are identical and therefore rapid tautomerism between them would afford only one ^{15}N NMR

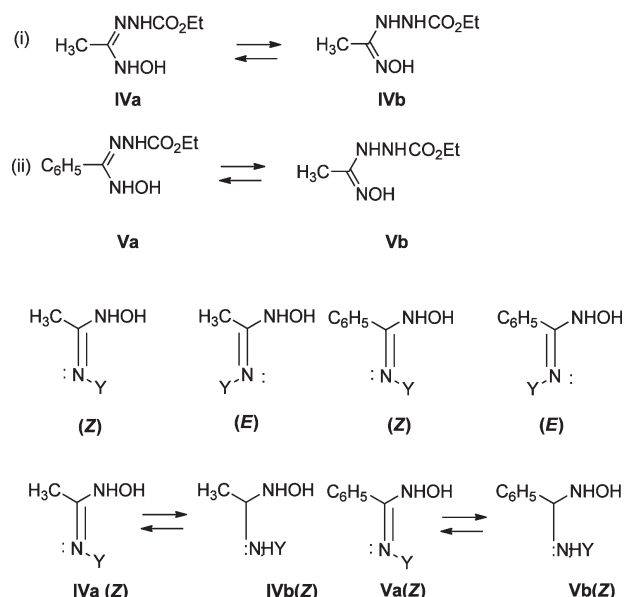


Figure 2. Tautomerization and conformation of *N*-hydroxyamide ethoxycarbonylhydrazones.

Table 1. IR and NMR Data of *N*-Hydroxyamidoxime Derivatives

compd.	IR (cm ⁻¹)	¹ H NMR (δ)	¹³ C NMR (δ)
3a	ref 10	ref 10	ref 10
3c	ref 17	<i>a</i>	<i>a</i>

^a Not reported.

signal. It seems likely that the lack of N–H coupling is due to exchange with the solvent rather than a tautomeric equilibrium, and this is consistent with two ^{15}N NMR signals. Barassin et al. studied the configuration and conformation of *N*-hydroxybenzamidoxime and found that the *Z*-configuration **IZ** is favored energetically over configuration **IE**, and conformation **Ic** is the predominant form due to the stabilization by hydrogen bonding (Figure 1).¹¹

2-Phenyl-4-benzyl-oxy-amidoxime (DMSO) exists in two tautomeric forms in which the **IIIa** form is more stable than **IIIb** form at room temperature. Upon methylation of the OH group, **IIIc** was reported as the more stable as shown in Figure 1.¹²

2.2. *N*-Aminoamidoximes

Ikizler reported two tautomeric forms **IV** and **V** of *N*-hydroxyamide ethoxycarbonylhydrazones in DMSO as shown in Figure 2.¹³

For compounds **IV** and **V**, *syn* (*Z*) and *anti* (*E*) stereoisomers are possible and quantum-chemical calculations show that the *syn* (*Z*) isomers are more stable. Conformational analyses of these molecules were examined by using the AM1 semiempirical method.

2.3. Hydrazidines

To the best of our knowledge, there are no experimental reports regarding the structure and configuration of hydrazidines.

3. SPECTROSCOPIC DATA

Spectroscopic (IR, UV, $^1\text{H}/^{13}\text{C}$ NMR), CHN elemental analysis, and mass spectrometry data for *N*-hydroxyamidoximes,

Table 2. UV, IR, NMR, CHN, and Mass Spectrometry Data of *N*-Aminoamidoxime Derivatives^a

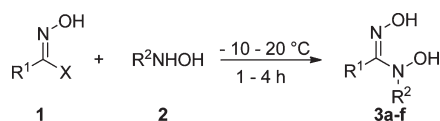
compd	UV data, λ_{\max} (nm)	IR (cm ⁻¹)	¹ H NMR (δ)	CHN analysis	EIMS (30 eV)
28c	<i>b</i>	ref 50	ref 50	ref 50	<i>b</i>
28f	<i>b</i>	ref 52	ref 52	ref 52	ref 52
28g	<i>b</i>	ref 52	ref 52	ref 52	ref 52
28h	<i>b</i>	ref 52	ref 52	ref 52	ref 52
28i	<i>b</i>	ref 52	ref 52	ref 52	ref 52
38a	ref 55	ref 55	ref 55	<i>b</i>	<i>b</i>
38b	ref 55	ref 55	ref 55	<i>b</i>	<i>b</i>
38c	ref 55	ref 55	ref 55	<i>b</i>	<i>b</i>
38d	ref 55	ref 55	ref 55	<i>b</i>	<i>b</i>
38e	ref 55	ref 55	ref 55	<i>b</i>	<i>b</i>
38g	ref 55	ref 55	ref 55	<i>b</i>	<i>b</i>
46a	<i>b</i>	ref 51	ref 51	<i>b</i>	<i>b</i>
46b	<i>b</i>	ref 51	ref 51	<i>b</i>	<i>b</i>
46c	<i>b</i>	ref 51	ref 51	<i>b</i>	<i>b</i>

^aReferences 55 and 51 report the ¹³C NMR data for 38a and 46c, respectively. ^bNot reported.

Table 3. IR, NMR, and CHN Data of Hydrazidines

compd	IR (cm ⁻¹)	¹ H NMR (δ)	CHN analysis
60c	<i>a</i>	ref 66	ref 66
60d	<i>a</i>	ref 66	ref 66
60e	<i>a</i>	ref 66	ref 66
60f	<i>a</i>	ref 66	ref 66
67	<i>a</i>	ref 70	ref 70
68	<i>a</i>	ref 70	ref 70
51a	ref 61	ref 60	ref 60
51b	<i>a</i>	ref 60	ref 60
51c	<i>a</i>	ref 60	ref 60
51d	<i>a</i>	ref 60	ref 60

^aNot reported.

Scheme 1. Reaction of Oximidoyl Chlorides/Amidoxime 1 with Hydroxylamines 2

N-aminoamidoximes, and hydrazidines are reported in Tables 1, 2, and 3, respectively.

4. *N*-HYDROXYAMIDOXIMES AND THEIR DERIVATIVES

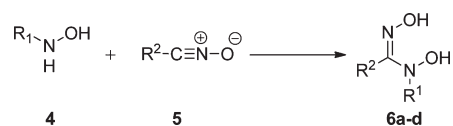
4.1. Preparative Methods

4.1.1. From Oximidoyl Chlorides/Amidoxime and Hydroxylamines. The most common method for the synthesis of *N*-hydroxyamidoximes starts from α -chloro or amino oximes. Ley first reported the preparation of *N*-hydroxyamidoximes 3a,b from hydroxylamine and hydroxyimidoyl chloride, and

Table 4. Preparation of *N*-Hydroxyamidoximes 3a–f

product 3	reactant			solvent	refs	
	1	2				
no.	yield (%)	R ¹	X	R ²		
a	<i>a</i>	C ₆ H ₅	Cl	H	EtOH	10, 14–16
b	<i>a</i>	4-pyridyl	Cl	H	MeOH	17
c	<i>a</i>	2-pyridyl	Cl	H	MeOH	17
d	<i>a</i>	3-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄	Cl	H	EtOH	12
e	50	2,6-Cl ₂ C ₆ H ₃	Cl	H	EtOH/Ether	18
f	85	H	NH ₂	H	MeOH/Ether	14, 19

^aNot reported.

Scheme 2. Reaction of Nitrile Oxides 5 with Hydroxylamines 4**Table 5.** Preparation of *N*-Hydroxyamidoximes 6a–d from Hydroxylamines 4 and Nitrile Oxides 5

product 6	no.		R ¹		R ²		conditions		
	yield (%)						solvent	T (°C)	time (h)
a	66	H	C ₆ H ₅				petroleum ether	0	3
b	68	<i>t</i> -Bu	C ₆ H ₅				petroleum ether	0	2–3
								20	3
c	53	<i>t</i> -Bu	<i>t</i> -Bu				CHCl ₃	0	5
								20	24
d	45	<i>t</i> -Bu	2,4,6(OMe) ₃ C ₆ H ₂				CHCl ₃	20	<i>a</i>

^aNot reported.

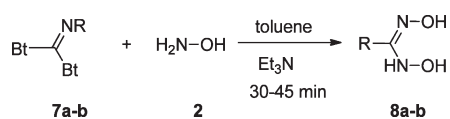
subsequently, Armand prepared the *N,N'*-dihydroxyformimide 3f in good yield (85%) from *N'*-hydroxyformimidamide and hydroxylamine (Scheme 1, Table 4).

4.1.2. From Nitrile Oxides and Hydroxylamines. Aurich and Stork reported that nitrile oxides 5 react with hydroxylamines 4 to give *N*²-hydroxyamidinyl *N*¹-oximes 6a–d (Scheme 2, Table 5).²⁰

4.1.3. From Di(benzotriazol-1-yl)imines and Hydroxylamines. Katritzky et al. also synthesized *N*-hydroxyamidoximes 8a,b in moderate to high yields by the reaction of di(benzotriazol-1-yl)imines 7a,b with hydroxylamine 2 in the presence of triethylamine. The reaction mixture was heated under reflux for 30–45 min (Scheme 3, Table 6).²¹

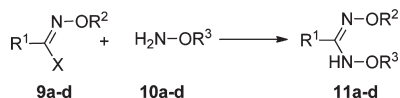
4.1.4. Synthesis of Mono- and Di-*O*-alkyl Derivatives of *N*-Hydroxyamidoximes. Di-*O*-alkyl derivatives of *N*-hydroxymethylamidoxime 11a were obtained in moderate yield by treatment of 1*H*-1,2,3-benzotriazol-1-ylmethanone oxime 9a with benzyloxyhydroxylamine 10a under microwave conditions.²² Eloy et al. reported the preparation of *O*-alkyl-substituted sulfamidobenzamidoxime 11b by reaction of an alcoholic solution of sulfamidobenziminoethyl ether hydrochloride 9b (X = OEt) with *O*-methylhydroxylamine 10b under pressure

Scheme 3. Reaction of Di(benzotriazol-1-yl)imines 7a,b with Hydroxylamine 2

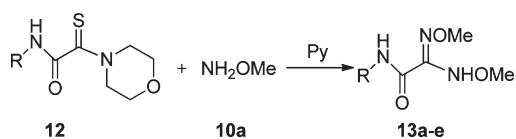
Table 6. Preparation of *N*-Hydroxyamidoximes 8a,b from Di(benzotriazol-1-yl)imines 7a,b

product 8		
no.	yield (%)	R
a	61	H
b	91	C ₆ H ₄ CO ₂ Et

Scheme 4. Reaction of Amidoxime 9a/Imines 9b–d with Hydroxylamines 10a–d

Table 7. Preparation of *O*-Substituted *N*-Hydroxyamidoximes 11a–d^a

Product no	Yield (%)	Reactant		Conditions	Refs	
		R ¹	X			R ²
a	64	CH ₃	Bt	H Bn	Na ₂ SO ₄ anhydrous <i>mw</i> 110 °C, 10 min	22
b	n/r		OEt	H CH ₃	EtOH under pressure	1
c	73	H	NMe ₂	Bn CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	CH ₃ CN, AcOH reflux, 10 h	23
d	47	H	NMe ₂	Bn CH≡CCH ₂	CH ₃ OH, reflux, 10h	23

^a n/r indicates not reported.Scheme 5. Reaction of Monothiooxamides 12 and *O*-Methylhydroxylamine 10a

(Scheme 4, Table 7).¹ Diaz et al. also prepared the di-*O*-alkyl derivative of *N*-hydroxymethylamidoxime 11c,d from benzyl amine 10c and propargylamine 10d reacting with *N,N*-dimethyl(form)amidines 9c,d.²³

Table 8. Preparation of Derivatives of *N*-Hydroxyamidoximes 13a–e from Monothiooxamides 12 and *O*-Methylhydroxylamine 10a

product 13		
no.	yield (%)	R
a	30	C ₆ H ₅
b	47	4-MeOC ₆ H ₄
c	44	6-Cl-2,4(MeO) ₂ C ₆ H ₂
d	12	2,3-Me ₂ C ₆ H ₃
e	42	CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅

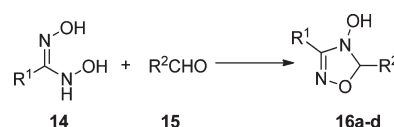
Scheme 6. Reaction of *N*-Hydroxyamidoximes 14 with Aldehydes 15

Table 9. Preparation of 4-Hydroxyoxadiazolines 16a–d

product 16	R ¹	R ²	conditions		
			solvent	T (°C)	time (min)
a	C ₆ H ₅	C ₂ H ₅	Et ₂ O	20	10
b	C ₆ H ₅	4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄	CH ₃ OH	40	60
c	CH ₃	C ₂ H ₅	CH ₃ OH	20	10
d	CH ₃	4-OCH ₃ C ₆ H ₄	CH ₃ OH	40	<i>a</i>

^a Not reported.

Zavarzin et al. prepared *N*-methoxy derivatives of amidoximes 13a–e from monothiooxamides 12 with *O*-methylhydroxylamine 10a in pyridine under reflux (Scheme 5, Table 8).^{24,25}

4.2. Chemistry of *N*-Hydroxyamidoximes

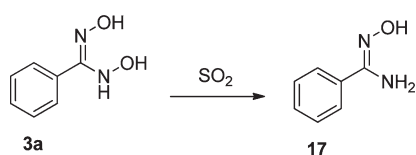
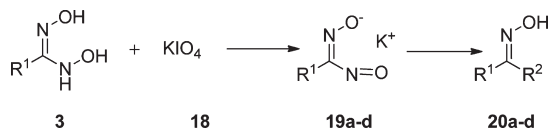
4.2.1. Reaction with Aldehydes. Desherces et al. used *N*-hydroxyamidoximes 14 as precursors for the synthesis of 4-hydroxyoxadiazolines 16a–d by condensation with aldehydes 15 (Scheme 6, Table 9).²⁶

4.2.2. Reduction of *N*-Hydroxyamidoximes. Ley and Ulrich showed that *N*-hydroxybenzamidoxime 3a may be reduced by sulfur dioxide to benzamidoxime 17 (Scheme 7).¹²

4.2.3. Oxidation of *N*-Hydroxyamidoximes. Armand and Minvielle reported that periodate oxidation of hydroxyamidoximes 3 gave the corresponding nitrosolate potassium salts 19a–d. In acidic media, nitrosolic salts 19a,b give nitrosolic acids 20a,b, and nitrosolic salts 19c,d react with 1 equiv of N₂O₄ to yield nitrolic acids 20c,d (Scheme 8, Table 10).¹⁹

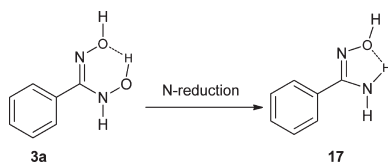
4.3. Applications

4.3.1. As a Prodrug Model. Clement and Reeh reported that drugs containing amidine functions are efficiently absorbed by the gastrointestinal tract after oral administration.³⁰ *N*-Hydroxybenzamidoxime derivatives 3a represent a new class of prodrug to improve the oral bioavailability of medications containing amidine functions, because they have lower basicity but higher lipophilicity than amidine derivatives and can be quickly

Scheme 7. Conversion of *N*-Hydroxybenamidoxime 3a into Benzamidoxime 17Scheme 8. Reaction of *N*-Hydroxyamidoximes 3 with Potassium Periodate 18Table 10. Oxidation of *N*-Hydroxyamidoximes 3

no.	product 20		conditions			refs
	yield (%)	R ¹ R ²	solvent	T (°C)		
a	a	C ₆ H ₅ NO	alkaline media	a	19, 28	
b	a	H NO	alkaline media	a	19	
c	80	CH ₃ NO ₂	1 equiv of N ₂ O ₄ , MeCN, or Et ₂ O	10	29	
d	85	C ₂ H ₅ NO ₂	1 equiv of N ₂ O ₄ , MeCN, or Et ₂ O	10	29	

^a Not reported.

Scheme 9. *In Vivo* Biotransformation of *N*-Hydroxybenamidoxime 3a

absorbed, then reduced rapidly to benzamidoxime 17 via *N*-reductases *in vivo* after oral administration (Scheme 9). The bioavailability of *N*-hydroxyamidoxime exceeds that of benzamidine after the oral application.¹⁰

4.3.2. Applications in Inorganic Chemistry. Wieland and Hess obtained nitrosolates from unstable *N*-hydroxyamidoximes by disproportionation in NH₃ or by oxidation with KIO₄ in basic solution.^{27,31} For R = H, these procedures lead to the formation of potassium dinitrosomethanide when KOH is used.³¹ Recently, theoretical calculations predict that salts of nitrosodicyanomethanide [(ON)C(CN)₂][−] and nitrodicyanomethanide [(O₂N)C(CN)₂][−] are potential propellants similar to nitrite and nitrate salts.³² Brand et al. developed a two-step synthesis of DNM salts (DNM = dinitrosomethanide) from formamidine nitrates. Treating a methanolic solution of 21 and hydroxylammonium nitrate 22 (2 equiv) with a methanolic solution of KO^tBu (2 equiv) resulted in the formation of the labile intermediate *N,N'*-dihydroxyformamidine nitrates 23

Scheme 10. Synthesis of Dinitrosomethanide (DNM) Salt 24

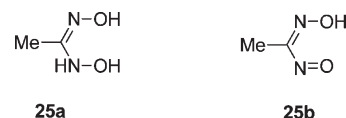
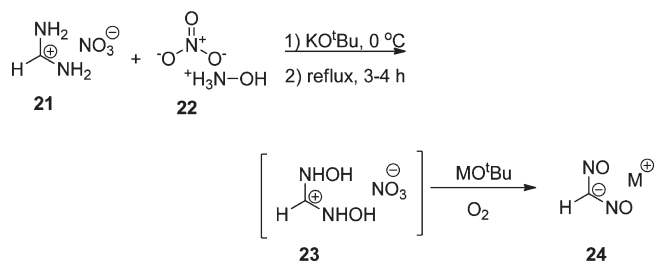


Figure 3. Acetohydroxamic oxime and ethylnitrosolic acid.

(Scheme 10). The reaction of 23 with MO^tBu (2 equiv) in the presence of oxygen yields the deep blue DNM salt 24.³³

N-Hydroxyamidoxime derivatives are efficient ligands for transition metals in redox systems.³⁴ The study of reactions between the two redox systems Fe(II)/Fe(III) and acetohydroxamic oxime 25a or ethylnitrosolic acid 25b shows a strong stabilization of Fe(II) by ethylnitrosolate (Figure 3). The systems Fe(II)–25a, Fe(III)–25a, and Fe(III)–25b are unstable and evolve toward Fe(II)–25b.³⁵

4.3.3. Biochemical Applications. *N*-Hydroxyamidoxime derivatives demonstrate various biological and chemical activity as shown in Table 11.

5. *N*-AMINOAMIDOXIMES AND THEIR DERIVATIVES

5.1. Preparative Methods

N-Aminoamidoximes are important precursors for the preparation of 1,2,4-triazoles and *vic*-dioximes, the latter being useful for the complexation of a variety of metal ions (*vide infra*).

5.1.1. From Imidoyl Chlorides or Amidoxime and Hydrazines. Armand and Bassinet reported the preparation of *N*-aminoamidoximes 28a,b by reaction of imidoyl chloride with hydrazine.⁴⁷ The method is straightforward, but the yields are low. Later, Mullican and co-workers prepared 3,5-bis(*t*-butyl)-4-hydroxy-*N*-aminoamidoxime derivative 28c in 89% yield by reaction of imidoyl chloride with hydrazine.⁴⁸ We have described the synthesis of the *p*-nitrophenyl derivative of aminoamidoxime 28d via benzotriazolyl oxime in 71% yield under microwave conditions.²² Saikavakali and Irez prepared *anti*-glyoximehydrazine 28e from the hydrazimic chloride precursor.⁴⁹ Hydrazine (3-arylsydnon-4-yl) methanone oxime derivatives 28f–i were reported by Shih et al. in good yields (83–96%) from the corresponding carboxylic acid chlorides (Scheme 11, Table 12).⁵⁰

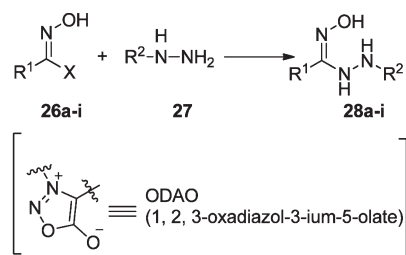
5.1.2. From Nitrile Oxide and Hydrazines. Ekcstein et al. described the reaction of diphenyl acetonitrile oxide 29 with hydrazines 27a and 30 in ether under reflux to give aminoamidoximes 31a,b (Scheme 12).⁵¹

5.1.3. From Amidoximes and Semicarbazides. Armand reported the formation of *N*-aminoamidoximes 34 by heating amidoximes 32 with an aqueous solution of semicarbazides 33 (Scheme 13, Table 13).⁵²

Table 11. Activity of Some of *N*-Hydroxyamidoxime Derivatives

no.	Structure	Applications	Refs
1		Treatment of hypertension	36
2		Antidepressant, hypotensive, and dopa-potentiating activities	37
3		Inhibitor of ribonucleotide reductase	38
4		Blood platelet- aggregation inhibitors	39
5		Against recombinant human inducible nitric oxide synthase	40
6		Oxidizer	41
7		improving the bioavailability of the medicament (Leishmaniasis)	42
8		Preventing neuroinflammatory, autoimmune disease	43
9		Fungicidal	44
10		Immuno-modulating agents	45
11		Pesticidal activity	46

Scheme 11. Reaction of Imidoyl Chlorides or Amidoxime 26a–i with Hydrazines 27



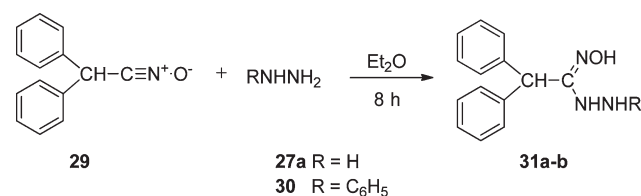
5.1.4. From Ethoxycarbonyl Hydrazones and Hydroxylamine. Ikizler and Sancak prepared a series of hydroxamic acid ethoxycarbonylhydrazides **38a–g** by heating ester ethoxycarbonyl-

Table 12. Preparation of *N*-Aminoamidoxime Derivatives 28a–i from α -Substituted Oximes 26a–i and Hydrazines 27^a

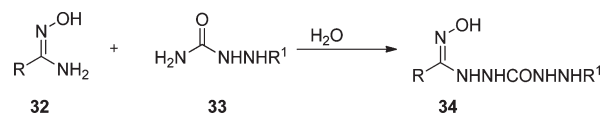
Product no	Yield (%)	Reactant		Conditions	Refs	
		26	27			
		R ¹	X	R ²		
a	21–30	CH ₃	Cl	H	n/r	47
b	21–30	CH ₃	NH ₂	H	n/r	47
c	89		Cl	H	Et ₃ N/EtOH, 0–15 °C, 2h	48
d	71	C ₆ H ₅	Bt	<i>p</i> -NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄	Na ₂ SO ₄ anhydrous, 110 °C, <i>mv</i> , 10 min	22
e	n/r	CH=N(OH)	Cl	H	EtOH/H ₂ O, NaOH, 0°C	49
f	96	C ₆ H ₅ -ODAO	Cl	H	EtOH, 4.5 h	50
g	83	4-MeC ₆ H ₄ -ODAO	Cl	H	EtOH, 4.5 h	50
h	88	4-MeOC ₆ H ₄ -ODAO	Cl	H	EtOH, 4.5 h	50
i	86	4-EtOC ₆ H ₄ -ODAO	Cl	H	EtOH, 4.5 h	50

^a n/r indicates not reported.

Scheme 12. Reaction of Nitrile Oxide 29 with Hydrazines 27a and 30



Scheme 13. Reaction of Amidoximes 32 with Semicarbazides 33



hydrazones **35a–g** or amide ethoxycarbonylhydrazones **35a**, **35b**, and **35f** with hydroxylamine **2** (Scheme 14, Table 14). Compound **38a** was also synthesized from ethyl carbazate **36** and **37** in 63% yield.⁵³

5.2. Chemistry of *N*-Aminoamidoximes

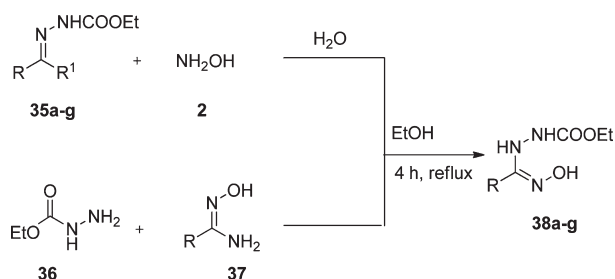
5.2.1. Synthesis of Triazolone Derivatives. *N*-Aminoamidoxime derivatives **39a–f** cyclize to 3-substituted 4-hydroxy-4,5-dihydro-1,2,4-triazol-5-one **40a–f** in basic medium in moderate to good yields (57–79%) (Scheme 15, Table 15).⁵³

5.2.2. Reaction with Aldehydes. In the presence of an acid catalyst, methanone oxime derivatives **41** react with aromatic or aliphatic aldehydes **42** to give a series of 5-aryl-3-(3-arylsydnon-4-yl)-1*H*-[1,2,4]triazoles **43a–c'** (Scheme 16, Table 16). In this reaction, the solvent type and quantity of sulfuric acid used influence the nature of the products. When ethanol was used as solvent, two or more products were obtained because the reaction intermediate tended to precipitate and therefore not cyclize completely. However, with acetonitrile as solvent,

Table 13. Preparation of *N*-Aminoamidoxime Derivatives 34 from Amidoximes 32 and Semicarbazides 33

product 34, yield (%)	reactant		conditions	
	32, R	33, R ¹	T (°C)	time (h)
a	H	H	20–40	12
a	CH ₃	H	20–40	12
a	C ₂ H ₅	H	20–90	13
a	CH ₃	C ₆ H ₅	20–140	12
a	C ₂ H ₅	C ₆ H ₅	20–140	12

^a Not reported.

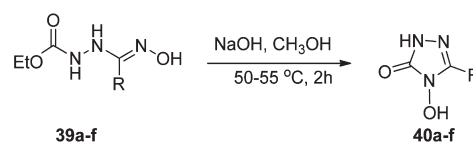
Scheme 14. Reaction of Ethoxycarbonyl Hydrazones 35a–g with Hydroxylamine 2 and Ethyl Carbazate 36 with Ethyl Acetohydroxamate 37**Table 14.** Preparation of *N*-Aminoamidoxime Derivatives 38a–g

product 38		reactant 35	
no.	yield (%)	R	R ¹
a	65	CH ₃	OC ₂ H ₅
b	67	C ₂ H ₅	OC ₂ H ₅
c	68	C ₃ H ₇	OC ₂ H ₅
d	70	C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂	OC ₂ H ₅
e	56	<i>p</i> -ClC ₆ H ₄ CH ₂	OC ₂ H ₅
f	54	C ₆ H ₅	OC ₂ H ₅
g	61	<i>p</i> -ClC ₆ H ₄	OC ₂ H ₅
a	42	CH ₃	NH ₂
b	30	C ₂ H ₅	NH ₂
f	34	C ₆ H ₅	NH ₂

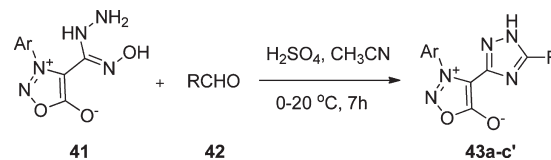
the intermediate remained in solution and the cyclization went to completion. Moreover, concentrated sulfuric acid improved the yield of a single product and reduced the reaction time to between 5 and 7 h.⁵⁰

5.3. Applications

5.3.1. As Metal Ligands for Coordination Compounds. Sarikavakli et al. reported that *vic*-dioximes 46a–d were formed by reaction of *N*-aminoamidoximes 44 with aldehydes or ketones 45 (Schemes 17 and 18). The products complex transition metal ions (Ni, Cu, Co) to form novel *vic*-dioxime derivatives of hydrazone metal complexes (Tables 17 and 18). *vic*-Dioximes form mononuclear complexes with Ni(II), Co(II), and Cu(II) with a metal to ligand ratio of 1:2, whereas Zn(II) and *vic*-dioximes

Scheme 15. Cyclization of *N*-Aminoamidoximes 39a–f to 1,2,4-Triazol-5-ones 40a–f**Table 15.** Preparation of Compound 40

product 40		
no.	yield (%)	R
a	79	CH ₃
b	66	C ₂ H ₅
c	71	C ₃ H ₇
d	60	CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅
e	57	<i>p</i> -ClCH ₂ C ₆ H ₄
f	73	C ₆ H ₅

Scheme 16. Reaction of *N*-Aminoamidoxime Derivatives 41 with Aldehydes 42

form complexes with a metal to ligand ratio of 1:1. The Ni(II) and Cu(II) complexes are square planar, but the complexes of Co(II) are octahedral, and the Zn(II) complexes are tetrahedral. *vic*-Dioximes can also form stable metal complexes of inner transition or actinide metal ions, and the ligands or their metal complexes have played a significant role in stereochemistry, isomerism, magnetism, spectroscopy, cation and ligand exchange chromatography, analytical chemistry, catalysis, pigments, and dyes.⁵⁵ *vic*-Dioxime complexes like Co(dimethylglyoxime)₂^{n±} are model coordination compounds for studying the structure of vitamin B12 and coenzyme B13, which have important roles in biology.⁵⁶

6. HYDRAZINES AND THEIR DERIVATIVES

6.1. Preparative Methods

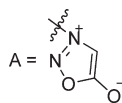
6.1.1. From Amidrazones and Hydrazine. Neunhoffer and co-workers reported that the reaction of the amidrazones 50 with anhydrous hydrazine 27a at 40 °C gave hydrazidines 51a–d in moderate to good yields. (Scheme 19, Table 19).^{57,58}

6.1.2. From Imidate Salt and Hydrazine. Doyle et al. described the preparation of hydrazidine 51a in low yield (32%) from excess of hydrazine 27a and imidate salt 52 under anhydrous conditions at temperatures below 0 °C (Scheme 20).⁵⁹

6.1.3. From Isonicotinylhydrazide and Diethoxy-*N,N*-dimethylethanamine. Glushkov et al. prepared hydrazidine derivative 57 from 1,1-diethoxy-*N,N*-dimethylethanamine 55 and isonicotinylhydrazide 54 (isoniazid), a medication in the

Table 16. Synthesis of Triazole Derivatives 43a–c'

product		reactants	
43		41	42
no.	yield (%)	Ar	R
a	90	C ₆ H ₅	C ₆ H ₅
b	64	4-CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄	C ₆ H ₅
c	68	4-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄	C ₆ H ₅
d	84	4-C ₂ H ₅ OC ₆ H ₄	C ₆ H ₅
e	93	C ₆ H ₅	4-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄
f	83	4-CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄	4-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄
g	72	4-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄	4-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄
h	85	4-C ₂ H ₅ OC ₆ H ₄	4-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄
i	92	C ₆ H ₅	4-ClC ₆ H ₄
j	73	4-CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄	4-ClC ₆ H ₄
k	72	4-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄	4-ClC ₆ H ₄
l	76	4-C ₂ H ₅ OC ₆ H ₄	4-ClC ₆ H ₄
m	45	C ₆ H ₅	2-furyl
n	50	4-CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄	2-furyl
o	70	4-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄	2-furyl
p	68	4-C ₂ H ₅ OC ₆ H ₄	2-furyl
q	50	C ₆ H ₅	2-thienyl
r	64	4-CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄	2-thienyl
s	63	4-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄	2-thienyl
t	67	4-C ₂ H ₅ OC ₆ H ₄	2-thienyl
u	70	C ₆ H ₅	<i>n</i> -C ₅ H ₁₁
v	67	C ₆ H ₅	<i>n</i> -C ₆ H ₁₃
w	76	C ₆ H ₅	<i>n</i> -C ₆ H ₁₁
x	63	C ₆ H ₅	4-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄ -A
y	60	C ₆ H ₅	4-C ₂ H ₅ OC ₆ H ₄ -A
z	42	4-CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄	C ₆ H ₅ -A
a'	45	4-CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄	4-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄ -A
b'	40	4-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄	4-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄ -A
c'	41	4-C ₂ H ₅ OC ₆ H ₄	4-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄ -A

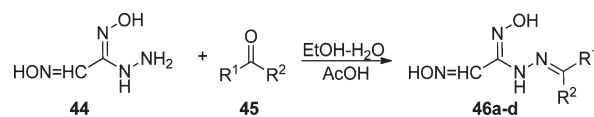
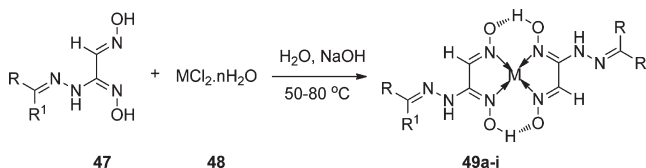


prevention and treatment of tuberculosis.⁶⁰ The two-step reaction first afforded the amidine derivative **56**, which was converted to the hydrazidine hydrochloride salt derivative **57** by reaction with another equivalent of **54** in acid–ethanol solution under reflux (Scheme 21).

6.1.4. From Hydrazonyl Bromide and Hydrazines. Hegarty and co-workers synthesized a series of *N*⁴-substituted hydrazidines **60a–i** from the hydrazonyl bromide **58** and hydrazine **59** in alcohol. Subsequently, Takahashi et al. prepared *N*²-acyl-*N*⁴-substituted hydrazidines **60j–p** with hydrazonyl bromide and hydrazines in THF at room temperature (Scheme 22, Table 20).⁶¹

6.2. Chemistry of Hydrazidines

6.2.1. Reaction with Aldehydes. The hydrazidine derivatives **61**, **51**, and **60** react with aryl aldehydes **42a**, **63**, and **65** to afford monobenzylidenehydrazidine **62** (Scheme 23),

Scheme 17. Reactions of *N*-Aminoamidoxime **44** with Aldehydes/Ketones **45**Scheme 18. Reaction of *N*-Aminoamidoximes **47** and Metal Hydrates **48**Table 17. Preparation of *vic*-Dioxime Derivatives **46a–d**

product		reactant		conditions		
46		45				
no.	yield (%)	R ¹	R ²	T (°C)	time (h)	refs
a	60	2-furyl	H	5	0.5	49
b	82	2-pyridyl	H	5	0.5	49
c	70	4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄	CH ₃	5–20	4–8	54
d	75	4-CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄	CH ₃	5–20	4–8	54

dibenzylidenehydrazidines **64** (Scheme 24, Table 21), and **66a–e** (Scheme 25, Table 22).⁶⁴

Dibenzylidenehydrazidines **66a–e** were cyclized by mercuric oxide in ethanol under reflux to yield 3-alkyl-5-aryl-4-aminoaryl-1,2,4-triazoles **67a–e** (Scheme 25, Table 22).

6.2.2. Reaction with Ketones. Compounds **70** were prepared in good yields by condensation of *N,N'*-diaminoguanidine **68** with α -bromo ketones **69** containing various R¹ and R² groups (Scheme 26, Table 23).⁶⁵

Butler designed the synthesis of mono- and dipyrazolo-methylenehydrazono derivatives **73** and **74** and **75** by reaction of triaminoguanidine **71** with diketone **72**, the proportions of products **73–75** varying with the conditions of the reaction. In the presence of sufficient **72**, the dipyrazolylmethylenehydrazono derivative **74** was obtained as the main product, whereas at a molar ratio of 1:2 (triaminoguanidine and acetylacetone), dipyrazolylketone hydrazone **75** was isolated in highest yield (Scheme 27).⁶⁶

Neunhoeffer et al. also described the reaction of hydrazidines **51** with diketones **76–79** for the preparation of fused and nonfused six-membered heterocyclic systems such as tetraphenylpyrazine **81** and 1,2,4-triazines **83**. The reaction of methylhydrazidine **51** with benzoin **76** forms the mono-condensation product **80** first, then 2,3,5,6-tetraphenylpyrazine **81** upon heating. The reaction of hydrazidine **51** with benzil **77** gives 4-amino-1,2,4-triazines **83**, preferentially. However, reaction with 4,4-dimethyl-1,2-cyclopentandione **78** gave octaaza[14]-annulen **84**.⁷¹ The reaction of benzylhydrazidine **51** with 2-hydroxy-4,4-dimethyl-2-cyclopenten-1-one **79** gave

Table 18. Synthesis of Metal Complex of *vic*-Dioxime Derivatives 49a–l

product		reactant				conditions				refs
49		47	48							
no.	yield	R	R ¹	M	<i>n</i>	solvent	<i>T</i> (°C)	time (min)		
a	83	2-furyl	H	Ni	6	EtOH	80	15	49	
b	66	2-furyl	H	Co	6	EtOH	80	15	49	
c	75	2-furyl	H	Cu	2	EtOH	80	15	49	
d	67	2-pyridyl	H	Ni	6	H ₂ O	80	15	49	
e	54	2-pyridyl	H	Co	6	H ₂ O	80	15	49	
f	70	2-pyridyl	H	Cu	2	H ₂ O	80	15	49	
g	68	4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄	Me	Ni	6	EtOH	60	120	54	
h	55	4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄	Me	Co	6	EtOH	60	120	54	
i	72	4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄	Me	Zn	2	EtOH	50	120	54	
j	80	4-CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄	Me	Ni	6	EtOH	60	120	54	
k	56	4-CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄	Me	Co	6	EtOH	60	120	54	
l	52	4-CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄	Me	Zn	2	EtOH	50	120	54	

Scheme 19. Synthesis of Hydrazidine Derivatives 51a–d from Amidrazones 50

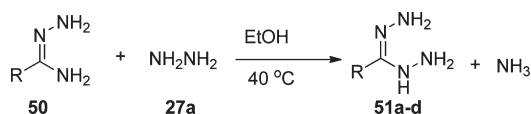
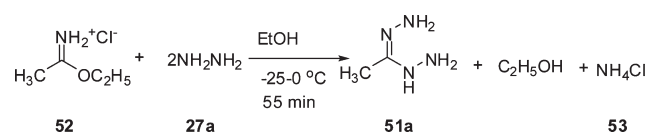


Table 19. Preparation of Hydrazidine Derivatives 51a–d

product 51		
no.	yield (%)	R
a	98	CH ₃
b	66	C ₂ H ₅
c	66	<i>n</i> -C ₃ H ₇
d	42	<i>i</i> -C ₃ H ₇

Scheme 20. Synthesis of Hydrazidine Derivative 51a from Imidate Salt 52

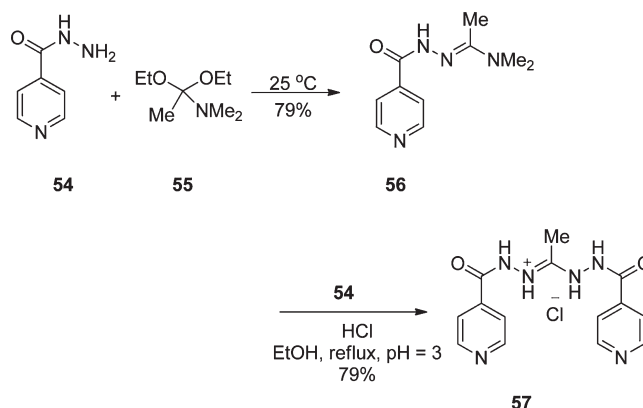


4-amino-1,2,4-triazines **85**, tetrahydrotetrazine **86**, and octaaza[14]-annulen **87** (Scheme 28).⁶⁴

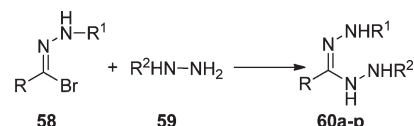
6.2.3. Reaction with Formic Acid. 3-Alkyl and arylamino-1,2,4-triazoles **90a** and **90e** were obtained on heating of **60a,e** in formic acid. The reaction presumably proceeds via formylated hydrazidine **89a,e** to cyclized products **90a,e** (Scheme 29, Table 24).⁶¹

6.2.4. Reaction with Orthocarboxylic Triesters. Hydrazidines **51** can be used as important synthetic auxiliaries for the synthesis of 4-amino-1,2,4-triazoles **92** by reaction with triethoxy-carboxyate **91** (Scheme 30, Table 25).⁵⁸

Scheme 21. Synthesis of Hydrazidine Hydrochloride Salt Derivative 57 from Isonicotinylhydrazide 54



Scheme 22. Reaction of Hydrazonyl Bromide 58 with Hydrazines 59



6.2.5. Synthesis of Triazinone Derivatives. Draber et al. reacted benzylhydrazidine **51** with α -ketocarboxylic acid **93a** and obtained 4-amino-6-benzyl-3-methyl-1,2,4-triazine-5-one **94a** in 56% yield.⁶⁷ Later, Neunhoffer reported a series of six-membered heterocycles, triazinones **94b–i**, from hydrazidines **51** and α -ketocarboxylic esters **93b–i** (Scheme 31, Table 26).^{64,68}

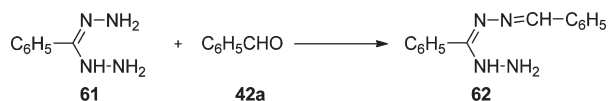
6.2.6. Reaction with Diketoesters. The reaction of **51** with dimethyl oxalate **95** yields the diketo-triazine **98** but in only 7% isolated yield. Hydrazidines **51** react with phenylglyoxyl-methylester **96** to form 4-amino-3-methyl-6-phenyl-1,2,4-triazin-5(4*H*)-one **100a,b** via the monocondensation intermediate **99**.

Table 20. Preparation of Hydrazidines 60a–p

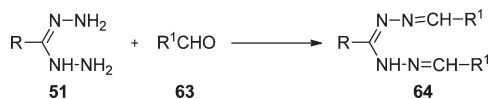
product 60	reactant			R ²	conditions
	no.	yield (%)	R		
a	87 ^a	C ₆ H ₅	2-Br-4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₃	H	EtOH/H ₂ O/20 °C
b	<i>b</i>	4- <i>i</i> -PrC ₆ H ₄	2-Br-4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₃	H	EtOH/H ₂ O/20 °C
c	<i>b</i>	4-Cl-C ₆ H ₄	2-Br-4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₃	H	EtOH/H ₂ O/20 °C
d	<i>b</i>	C ₆ H ₅	4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄	H	EtOH/H ₂ O/20 °C
e	<i>b</i>	4-Me-C ₆ H ₄	4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄	H	EtOH/H ₂ O/20 °C
f	<i>b</i>	4-Br-C ₆ H ₄	4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄	H	EtOH/H ₂ O/20 °C
g	<i>b</i>	CH ₃	2,4-(NO ₂) ₂ C ₆ H ₃	H	EtOH/H ₂ O/20 °C
h	<i>b</i>	Me ₃ C	2,4-(NO ₂) ₂ C ₆ H ₃	H	EtOH/H ₂ O/20 °C
i	82 ^c	1-MePr	2,4-(NO ₂) ₂ C ₆ H ₃	H	acetone/H ₂ O/70 °C/2 h
j	44 ^d	C ₆ H ₅	2-Br-4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₃	C ₆ H ₅ (C=O)	THF/Et ₃ N/2 h
k	<i>b</i>	C ₆ H ₅	2-Br-4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₃	4-Me ₂ NC ₆ H ₄ (C=O)	<i>b</i>
l	<i>b</i>	4-Cl-C ₆ H ₄	2-Br-4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₃	C ₆ H ₅ (C=O)	<i>b</i>
m	<i>b</i>	1-MePr	2,4-(NO ₂) ₂ C ₆ H ₃	C ₆ H ₅ (C=O)	<i>b</i>
n	<i>b</i>	4- <i>i</i> -PrC ₆ H ₄	2-Br-4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₃	4- <i>i</i> -PrC ₆ H ₄ (C=O)	<i>b</i>
o	<i>b</i>	C ₆ H ₅	2-Br-4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₃	H(C=O)	<i>b</i>
p	<i>b</i>	CH ₃	2,4-(NO ₂) ₂ C ₆ H ₃	H(C=O)	<i>b</i>

^a Reference 62. ^b Not reported. ^c Reference 63. ^d Reference 61.

Scheme 23. Reactions with Benzaldehyde 42 To Give Mono-benzylidenehydrazidine 62



Scheme 24. Reactions with Aldehydes 63 To Give Di-benzylidenehydrazidine Derivatives 64



The reaction of 51 with thioxamidyl methyl ester 97 in the presence of triethylamine as base gives the monocondensation intermediate 101, which cyclizes to 102 upon heating (Scheme 32).⁶⁸

6.2.7. Reaction with Benzoyl Cyanide. Methylhydrazidine 51a reacts with benzoyl cyanide 103 to give 4-amino-5-imino-1,2,4-triazine 104 in 48% yield presumably by a combination of condensation and addition reactions (Scheme 33).⁶⁸

6.2.8. Reaction with Anhydrides. Degen used hydrazidines for the preparation of tetrazines. Reaction of 51a with nitrophthalic anhydride 105 yields two isomeric nitro-1,2,4,5-tetrazino[3,2-*a*]-isoindol-6(4*H*)-ones 112 and 113. The reaction of methylhydrazidine 51a with 106 affords 7,8-dichloro-3-methyl-1,8-dihydropyrrolo[1,2-*b*]-1,2,4,5-tetrazine-6(4*H*)-one 114a,b. Similarly, the reaction of 51a with phthalaldehydic acid 107 yields 3-methyl-1,10-dihydro-1,2,4,5-tetrazino[3,2-*a*]isoindol-6(4*H*)-one 115, which can be converted to 3-methyl-1,2,4,5-tetra-amino[3,2-*a*]isoindol-6(4*H*)-one 116 by mild oxidation. Compound 116 can also be obtained by

Table 21. Synthesis of Di-benzylidenehydrazidine Derivatives 64

product 64	reactant		conditions
	51	63	
yield (%)	R	R ¹	
98 ^a	CH ₃	C ₆ H ₅	EtOH, 40 °C, 7 min
66 ^a	C ₂ H ₅	C ₆ H ₅	EtOH, 40 °C, 7 min
66 ^a	<i>n</i> -C ₃ H ₇	C ₆ H ₅	EtOH, 40 °C, 7 min
42 ^a	<i>i</i> -C ₃ H ₇	C ₆ H ₅	EtOH, 40 °C, 7 min
96 ^b	CH ₃	4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄	MeOH, Et ₃ N, 20 °C, 48 h
45 ^b	CH ₃	4-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄	EtOH, Et ₃ N, 26 h

^a Reference 59. ^b Reference 64.

Scheme 25. Reactions with Aldehydes 65 To Give Triazole Derivatives 67a–e

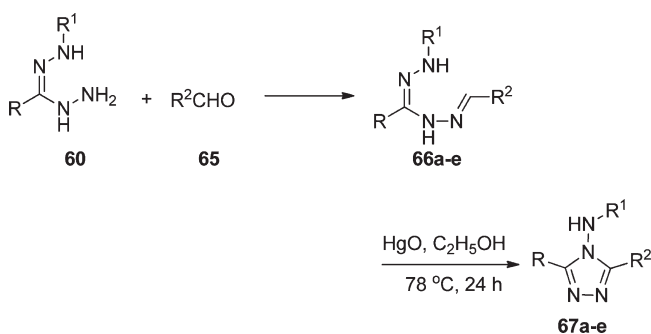


Table 22. Synthesis of Triazole Derivatives 67a–e

no.	yield (%) of 66	yield (%) of 67	reactant			conditions EtOH/78 °C, T (min)
			60		65	
			R	R ¹	R ²	
a	ca. 100 ^a	48 ^c	C ₆ H ₅	2-Br-4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₃	C ₆ H ₅	5
b	b	b	4-Cl-C ₆ H ₄	2-Br-4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₃	C ₆ H ₅	5
c	39 ^a	b	4- <i>i</i> -PrC ₆ H ₄	2-Br-4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₃	4- <i>i</i> -PrC ₆ H ₄	Et ₃ N, 120
d	b	b	C ₆ H ₅	2-Br-4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₃	4-Me ₂ NC ₆ H ₄	30 ^c
e	b	b	1-MePr	2,4-(NO ₂) ₂ C ₆ H ₃	C ₆ H ₅	5 ^d

^aReference 62. ^bNot reported. ^cReference 61. ^dReference 63.

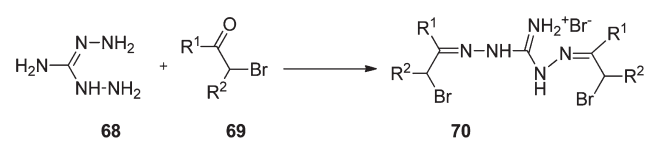
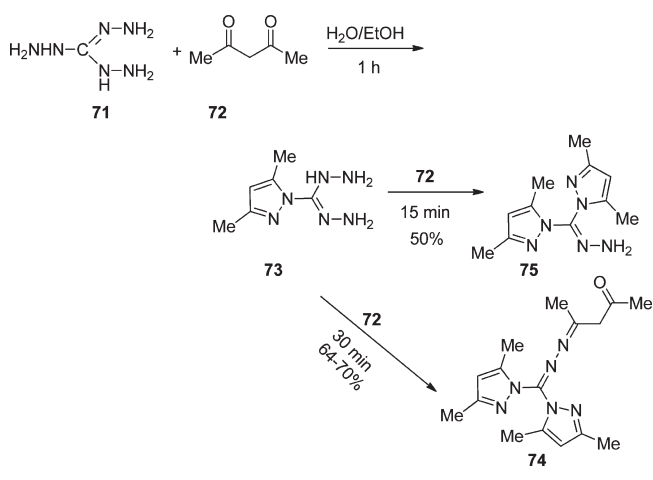
Scheme 26. Reaction of Diaminoguanidine 68 with α -Bromo Ketones 69

Table 23. Preparation of Compound 70

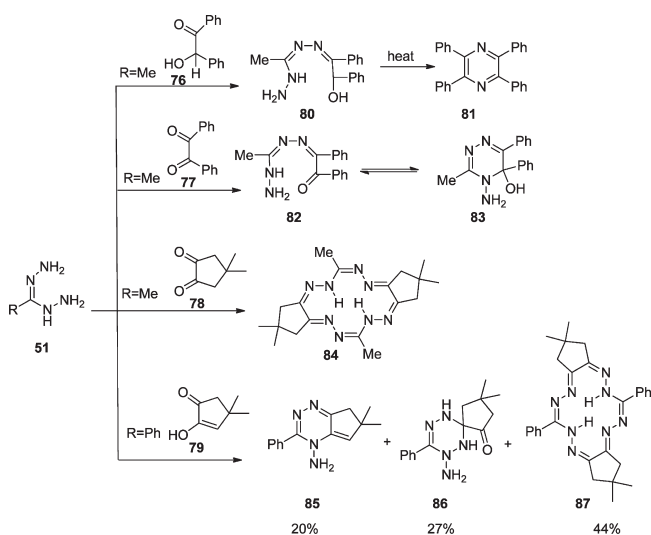
product 70		
yield (%)	R ¹	R ²
78	CH ₃	H
78	CH ₃	CH ₃
96	C ₆ H ₅	H
86	4-ClC ₆ H ₄	H

Scheme 27. Reaction with Diketone 72



the reaction of 51a with phthalic acid derivatives 107, 108, 109, and 110 (Scheme 34).⁶⁹ In addition, methylhydrazidine 51a was used for the preparation of 3-methylpyrrolo[1,2]-1,2,4,5-tetrazine 118 via cyclization with *cis*- or *trans*-2,5-dimethoxy-2,5-dihydrofuran 111 (Scheme 34).⁷⁰

Scheme 28. Reaction of 51 with Diketones 76–79



Scheme 29. Reaction of 60a,e with Formic Acid 88

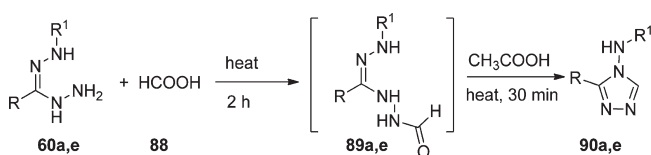


Table 24. Preparation of Triazole Derivatives 90a and 90e

product 90			
no.	yield (%)	R	R ¹
a	56	C ₆ H ₅	2-Br-4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₃
e	69	CH ₃	2,4-(NO ₂) ₂ C ₆ H ₃

Neunhoeffer et al. also prepared tetrazine derivatives 120 and 122 by the reaction of benzylhydrazidine 61 with anhydrides 106b and 119 (Scheme 35).⁶⁴

6.2.9. Reaction with Cyclopentadiene Derivatives. Methylhydrazidine 51a reacts with 2,3-dihydroxycyclopentadiene-1,4-dicarboxylate-dimethylester 123 to give 4-amino-4,

6-dihydro-3-methyl-1*H*-cyclopenta[*e*]1,2,4-triazin-5,7-dicarboxylester **124** (Scheme 36, Table 27).⁷¹

6.2.10. Reactions with Dimethyl Acetylenedicarboxylate. Tetrazines **126a–e** were synthesized in good yields by the reaction of hydrazidines **60** and dimethyl acetylenedicarboxylate **125** in THF under reflux (Scheme 37, Table 28).⁶¹

In the presence of triethylamine, **51a** reacted with dimethylacetylenedicarboxylate **125** in methanol to afford crystalline pyrazolinone **127** in 37% yield (Scheme 38).⁶⁸

6.2.11. Reaction with Thioesters. *S*-Methylisothiocarbonylhydrazide salt is used as a bis-aminoguanidine equivalent in

Scheme 30. Reaction with Orthocarboxylic Triesters **91**

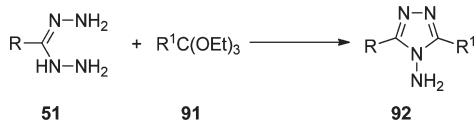


Table 25. Preparation of 4-Amino-1,2,4-triazoles **92**

yield (%)	product 92	
	R	R ¹
95	CH ₃	H
97	C ₂ H ₅	H
92	<i>n</i> -C ₃ H ₇	H
90	<i>i</i> -C ₃ H ₇	H
93	CH ₃	CH ₃

Scheme 31. Reaction with α -Keto Acid or Esters **93a–i**

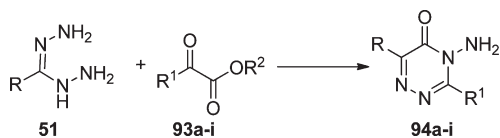


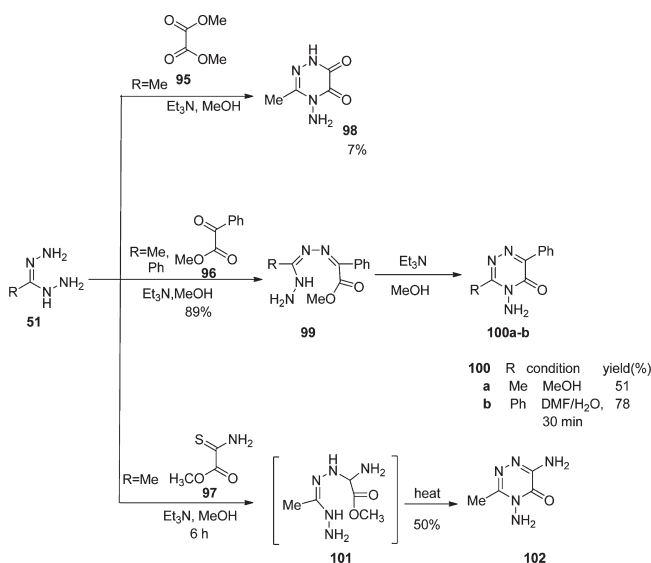
Table 26. Synthesis of Tetrazine Derivatives **94a–i**

no.	product 94	yield (%)	conditions	reactant		
				51	93	
					R	R ¹
a		56 ^a	EtOH/H ₂ O, 20 °C, 4 h	C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂	CH ₃	H
b		51 ^b	MeOH, Et ₃ N, 16 h, 20 °C	CH ₃	C ₆ H ₅	CH ₃
c		78 ^b	DMF, 120 °C, 30 min	C ₆ H ₅	C ₆ H ₅	CH ₃
d		60 ^c	MeOH, Et ₃ N, 15 h, 20 °C	C ₆ H ₅	H	CH ₃
e		43 ^c	MeOH, Et ₃ N, 15 h, 20 °C	4-CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄	H	CH ₃
f		49 ^c	MeOH, Et ₃ N, 15 h, 20 °C	4-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄	H	CH ₃
g		48 ^c	MeOH, Et ₃ N, 50 °C, 18 h	C ₆ H ₅	CH ₃	CH ₃
h		66 ^c	MeOH, Et ₃ N, 50 °C, 6 h	4-CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄	CH ₃	CH ₃
i		55 ^c	MeOH, Et ₃ N, 50 °C, 77 h	4-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄	CH ₃	CH ₃
j		60 ^c	EtOH, 20 °C, 24 h,	C ₆ H ₅	CO ₂ CH ₃	CH ₃
k		66 ^c	EtOH, 20 °C, 24 h	4-CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄	CO ₂ CH ₃	CH ₃
l		87 ^c	EtOH, 20 °C, 24 h,	4-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄	CO ₂ CH ₃	CH ₃

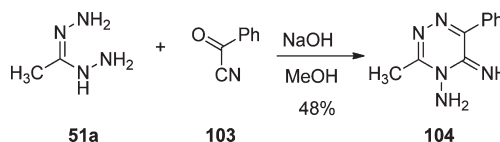
^aReference 67. ^bReference 68. ^cReference 64.

the synthesis of 6-aryl-3-aminotetrazines from dithioesters (Scheme 39, Table 29).⁷² For example, dithioesters **129** can react with *S*-methylisothiocarbonylhydrazide hydroiodide salt **128** to form dihydrotetrazines **130**, which can be oxidized (methylthio)tetrazines **131**. The methylthio group serves to deactivate the internal latent guanidine nitrogens for cyclization, as well as to provide a handle for the subsequent amination to form 6-aryl-3-aminotetrazines **132a–k**.⁷³

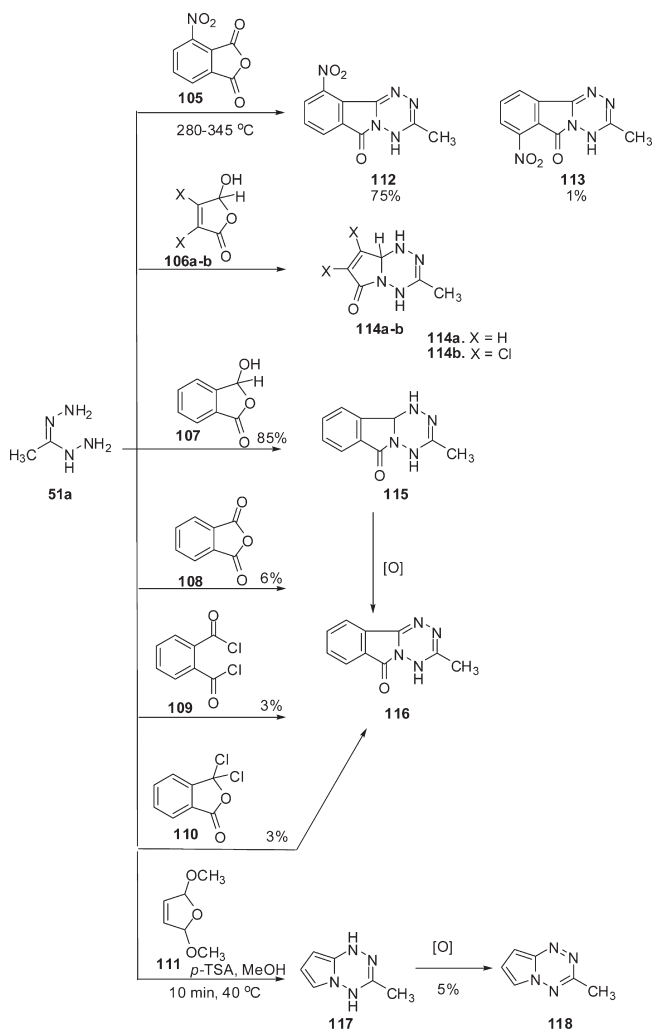
Scheme 32. Reaction of **51** with Diketoesters **95–97**



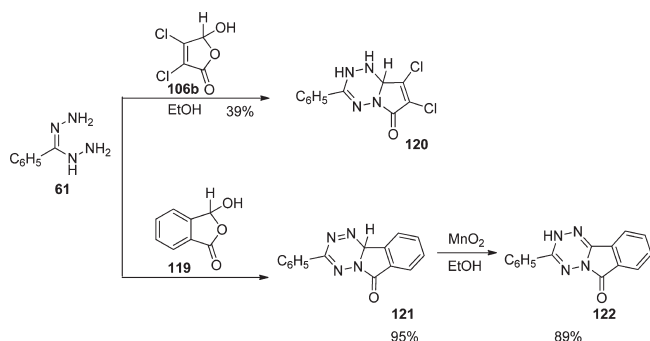
Scheme 33. Synthesis of Triazine **104**



Scheme 34. Reaction of 51a with Anhydrides 105–111



Scheme 35. Synthesis of Tetrazine Derivatives 120 and 122



6.2.12. Synthesis of Tetrazine Derivative. Glushkov reported the formation of 3-methyl-6-pyridyl-1,2,4,5-tetrazine **134** by cyclization of hydrazidine derivative **133** at room temperature (Scheme 40).⁶⁰

6.3. Applications

6.3.1. As New Fibrous Adsorbents. Fibrous complexing adsorbents offer vital advantages over granular adsorbents and have found wide utility for trace element preconcentration in

Scheme 36. Synthesis of Triazine Derivatives 124

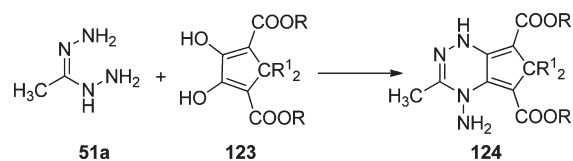


Table 27. Synthesis of Triazine Derivatives 124

product 124 ^a	yield (%)	conditions	reactant 123	
			R	R ¹
<i>b</i>		EtOH, Et ₃ N, 20 °C, 3 h	CH ₃	H
50		EtOH, Et ₃ N, 20 °C, 3 h	C ₂ H ₅	H
55		MeOH, Et ₃ N, 20–64–20 °C, 81 h	CH ₃	CH ₃

^a Reference 70. ^b Not reported.

Scheme 37. Reactions of Hydrazidines 60 with Dimethyl Acetylenedicarboxylate 125

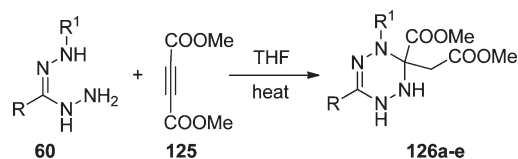
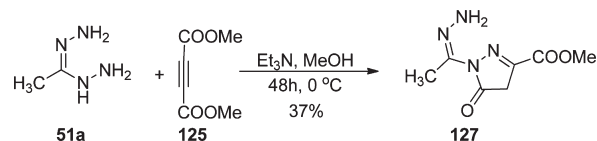


Table 28. Synthesis of Tetrazine Derivatives 126a–e

no.	yield (%)	product 126	
		R	R ¹
a	77	C ₆ H ₅	2-Br-4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₃
b	86	4-ClC ₆ H ₄	2-Br-4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₃
c	80	C ₆ H ₅	4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄
d	88	1-MePr	2,4-(NO ₂) ₂ C ₆ H ₃
e	87	CH ₃	2,4-(NO ₂) ₂ C ₆ H ₃

Scheme 38. Synthesis of Pyrazolinone 127



chemical analysis. For example, the concentration of Cr(III) and Cr(VI) at 5–30 μg/L in aqueous solution have been determined by emission spectrometry following preconcentration on polyethylenepolyamine-modified PAN fibers.⁷⁴ The complexing fibrous adsorbents like POLYORGS 33, POLYORGS 34, and POLYORGS 35 were prepared by treating a freshly formed poly(acrylonitrile) fiber with a mixture of hydroxylamine and hydrazine hydrate, modified amidoximes, and hydrazidines, respectively. It was shown that these adsorbents can be used for the dynamic preconcentration of heavy,

noble, and rare metals and radionuclides from aqueous salt solutions.⁷⁵

6.3.2. As Antituberculosis Agents. Some hydrazidine analogues of isonicotinylhydrazine demonstrate *in vivo* antituberculosis

Scheme 39. Reaction of 128 with Thioester 129

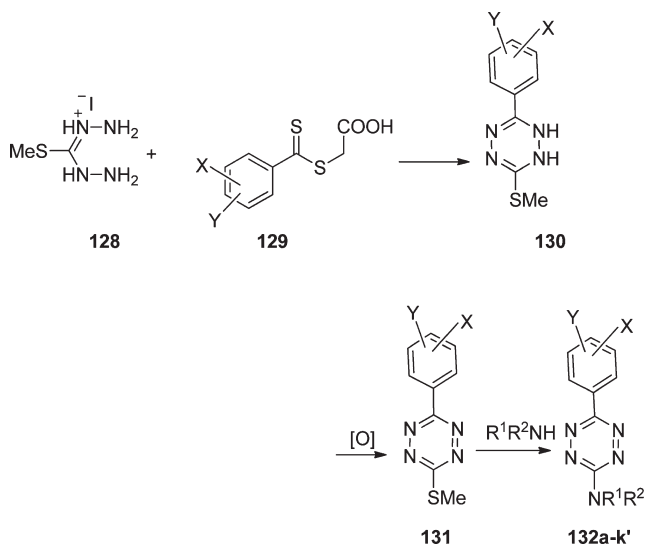


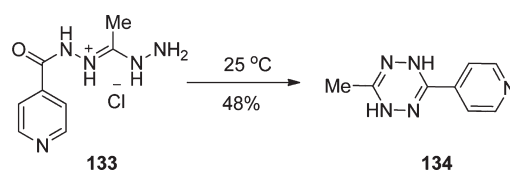
Table 29. Preparation of 6-Aryl-3-aminotetrazines 132a–k'

Product 132				
no	Yield (%)	X, Y	R ¹	R ²
a	67	3,4-Cl ₂	H	(CH ₂) ₃ NMc ₂
b	44	3,4-Cl ₂	Me	Bu
c	57	3,4-Cl ₂	Me	Et
d	14	3,4-Cl ₂	H	
e	95	4-Br	Me	Me
f	100	4-Br	H	Me
g	55	4-Br	H	H
h	71	4-Me	H	H
i	87	4-Me	H	Me
j	70	4-Me	Me	Me
k	29	4-Me	H	
l	45	4-NO ₂	Me	Me
m	66	3,4,5-(OMe) ₃	H	Me
n	61	3,4,5-(OMe) ₃	Me	Me
o	53	3,4,5-(OMe) ₃	H	H
p	29	3,4,5-(OMe) ₃	H	
q	69	3-CF ₃	H	H
r	83	3-CF ₃	H	Me
s	73	3-CF ₃	Me	Me

activity, with hydrazidine derivatives⁵⁶ possessing the best activity against the tuberculosis pathogen.⁶⁰

6.3.3. As Environmentally Friendly Dyes. Dozens of patents and journals describe various hydrazidine- or formazan-derived compounds as dye ligands that bind to metal such as Cu, Fe, Ni, and Co, and they have important applications in the textile industry.^{76–78} Freeman et al. synthesized some Fe-complexed hydrazidine derivatives, 135 and 136, to provide environmentally friendly dyes (Figure 4). They can also coordinate metals such as Cr and Co without adversely affecting technical and mutagenic properties, again offering applications in the textile industry.^{76,77} Cu complexes of some hydrazidine derivatives, for example, *N,N'*-bis(*O*-hydroxyphenyl)-*C*-phenylformazan 137, are suitable dyeing agents for the dyeing of protein fibers in neutral or slightly acid media. They have fairly strong affinity to woolen materials as dyeing agents.⁷⁹

Scheme 40. Synthesis of Tetrazine Derivative 134



Product 132					
no	Yield (%)	X, Y	R ¹	R ²	
t	33	3-CF ₃	H		
u	82	4-OMe	H	H	
v	87	4-OMe	H	Me	
w	82	4-OMe	Me	Me	
x	35	4-OMe	H		
y	68	4-CF ₃	H	H	
z	67	4-CF ₃	H	Me	
a'	87	4-CF ₃	Me	Me	
b'	35	4-CF ₃	H		
c'	82	4-F	H	H	
d'	100	4-F	H	Me	
e'	90	4-F	Me	Me	
f'	91	4-NHAc	H		
g'	88	3-C ₆ H ₅	H	H	
h'	61	3-C ₆ H ₅	H	Me	
i'	63	3-C ₆ H ₅	Me	Me	
j'	26	3-C ₆ H ₅	H		
k'	27	4-NMc ₂	Me	Me	

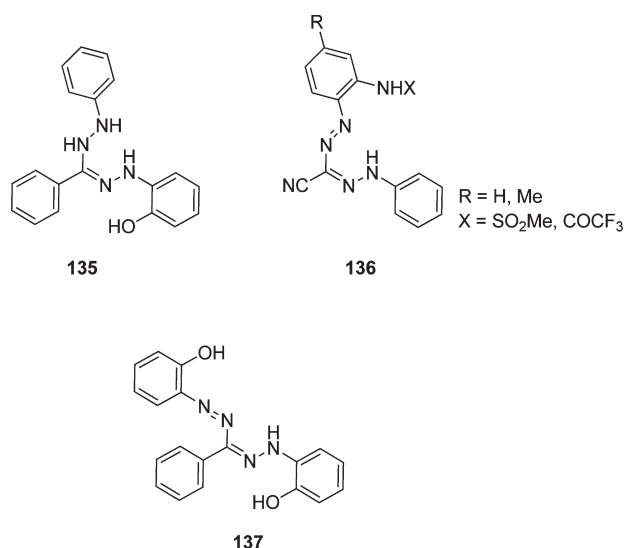


Figure 4. Environmentally friendly dye ligands.

7. CONCLUSIONS

In summary, *N*-hydroxy- and *N*-amino-amidoximes and hydrazidines are important amidine derivatives with synthetic utility and various biological applications. Typically they can react or cyclize with electrophiles such as aldehydes, ketones, carboxylates, and acids. They have been used extensively as starting materials for the preparation of nitrogen-rich heterocycles. In practice, they have applications in drugs, dyes, polymers, and many other materials. With this work, we provide a first comprehensive review on the titled compounds that will be valuable to scientists who are interested in synthetic, biological, and pharmacological applications of all three classes of compounds.

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