

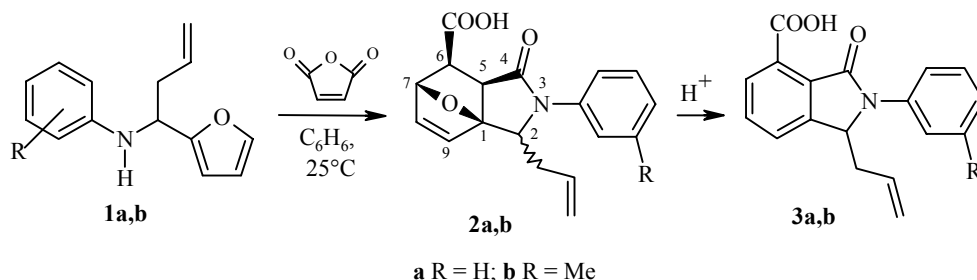
LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

SYNTHESIS OF 2-ARYL-SUBSTITUTED 3-ALLYL-7-CARBOXYPHTHALAMIDINES – NEW SYNTHONES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF ISOINDOLO[2,1-*a*]QUINOLINES

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The major synthones for the construction of isoindolo[2,1-*a*]quinolines are 1-hydroxy- and 1-carboxymethyl-2,3-dihydro-2-aryl-3-oxoisoindoles obtained from *N*-arylphtalimides [1, 2]. We have developed an original method for the synthesis of 3-allyl-2-aryl-7-carboxy-1-isoindolinones, which are new synthones for the construction of this heterocyclic system, by means of transformations of furan homoallylamines. Homoallylamines **1a,b** were obtained by the reaction of the corresponding Schiff bases with allylmagnesium bromides [3].



The reaction of allylamines **1a,b** with maleic anhydride was carried out in benzene at 25°C and gave 3a,6-epoxyisoindolinones **2a,b**, in 88 and 95% yield, respectively. Adducts **2a,b** are the products of the acylation and subsequent *exo*-[4+2] cycloaddition of the amide fragment to the furan ring [4]. ¹H NMR spectroscopy showed that adducts **2a,b** are obtained as 1:1 mixtures of isomers differing in the position of allyl substituent relative to the epoxide bridge. Aromatization of these compounds to the desired dihydroisoindolones **3a,b** was carried out by the action of excess phosphoric acid.

2-Allyl-3-aryl-4-oxo-10-oxa-3-azatricyclo[5.2.1.0^{1,5}]dec-8-ene-6-carboxylic Acids (2a,b). A mixture of maleic anhydride (0.1 mol) and homoallylamine **1a** or **1b** (0.1 mol) in benzene (100 ml) was stirred for 24 h at 25°C. The crystalline precipitate was filtered off, washed with benzene, and dried at 90°C to constant mass.

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Adduct 2a (mixture of isomers) was obtained in 88% yield as white crystals with mp 149-152°C. ¹H NMR spectrum (CDCl₃, 200 MHz), δ, ppm, *J* (Hz): isomer *A*: 10.06 (1H, br. s, CO₂H); 7.45-7.20 (5H, m, H-Ph); 6.62 (1H, d, *J*₉₈ = 5.8, 9-H); 6.49 (1H, dd, *J*₈₉ = 5.8, *J*₇₈ = 1.8, 8-H); 5.77 (1H, m, ³*J* = 9.3, ³*J* = 18.0, 2-H); 5.33 (1H, d, *J*₇₈ = 1.8, 7-H); 5.19 (1H, dd, ³*J* = 9.3, ³*J* = 1.3, 1'-H-*cis*); 5.17 (1H, dd, ³*J* = 18.0, ³*J* = 1.3, 1'-H-*trans*); 4.63 (1H, t, *J*_{23'A} = *J*_{23'B} = 4.8, 2-H); 3.10 (1H, d, *J*₅₆ = 9.2, 5-H); 2.86 (1H, d, *J*₅₆ = 9.2, 6-H); 2.62 (2H, m, 3'A-H and 3'B-H). Isomer *B*: 10.06 (1H, br. s, CO₂H); 7.45-7.20 (5H, m, H-Ph); 6.47 (1H, d, *J*₈₉ = 5.8, 9-H); 6.39 (1H, dd, *J*₈₉ = 5.8, *J*₇₈ = 1.8, 8-H); 5.71 (1H, m, ³*J* = 10.4, ³*J* = 18.5, 2'-H); 5.27 (1H, d, *J*₇₈ = 1.8, 7-H); 5.09 (1H, dd, ³*J* = 10.4, ³*J* = 1.3, 1'-H-*cis*); 5.07 (1H, dd, ³*J* = 18.5, ³*J* = 1.3, 1'-H-*trans*); 4.59 (1H, dd, *J*_{23'A} = 5.2, *J*_{23'B} = 9.8, 2-H); 3.02 (1H, d, *J*₅₆ = 9.2, 5-H); 2.84 (1H, d, *J*₅₆ = 9.2, 6-H); 2.41 (2H, m, 3'A-H and 3'B-H). IR spectrum (KBr), ν, cm⁻¹: 1689, 1756 (C=O), 2610, 3390 (OH). Found, %: C 69.55; H 5.74; N 4.53; M⁺ 311. C₁₈H₁₇NO₄. Calculated, %: C 69.45; H 5.47; N 4.50; M 311.

Adduct 2b (mixture of isomers) was obtained in 95% yield as white crystals; mp 139-141°C. ¹H NMR spectrum (DMSO-d₆, 200 MHz), δ, ppm, *J* (Hz): Isomer *A*: 7.45-7.20 and 7.15-6.95 (4H, m, H-Ar); 6.73 (1H, d, *J*₈₉ = 6.1, 9-H); 6.52 (1H, dd, *J*₈₉ = 6.1, *J*₇₈ = 1.8, 8-H); 5.77 (1H, m, ³*J* = 10.1, ³*J* = 18.0, 2'-H); 5.15 (1H, m, ³*J* = 18.0, 1'-H-*trans*); 5.13 (1H, m, ³*J* = 10.1, 1'-H-*cis*); 5.02 (1H, d, *J*₇₈ = 1.8, 7-H); 4.66 (1H, dd, *J*_{23'A} = 6.4, *J*_{23'B} = 4.3, 2-H); 3.04 (1H, d, *J*₅₆ = 9.2, 5-H); 2.58 (1H, d, *J*₅₆ = 9.2, 6-H); 2.65-2.57 (2H, m, 3'-H); 2.32 (3H, s, CH₃-Ar). Isomer *B*: 7.45-7.20 and 7.15-6.95 (4H, m, H-Ar); 6.56 (1H, d, *J*₈₉ = 5.8, 9-H); 6.42 (1H, dd, *J*₈₉ = 5.8, *J*₇₈ = 1.8, 8-H); 5.77 (1H, m, ³*J* = 10.1, ³*J* = 18.0, 2'-H); 5.09 (1H, d, *J*₇₈ = 1.8, 7-H); 5.10-5.00 (2H, m, 1'-H); 4.81 (1H, dd, *J*_{23'A} = 10.1, *J*_{23'B} = 4.6, 2-H); 2.95 (1H, d, *J*₅₆ = 9.2, 5-H); 2.59 (1H, d, *J*₅₆ = 9.2, 6-H); 2.32 (2H, s, CH₃-Ar); 2.65-2.55 (2H, m, 3'-H). IR spectrum (KBr), ν, cm⁻¹: 1660, 1700, 1743 (C=O), 2600, 3400 (OH). Found, %: C 69.89; H 5.80; N 4.39; M⁺ 325. C₁₉H₁₉NO₄. Calculated, %: C 70.15; H 5.85; N 4.31; M 325.

3-Allyl-2-aryl-7-carboxy-1-isoidolinones (3a,b). A sample of epoxyisoidolinone **2** (16.6 mmol) in 85% phosphoric acid (40 ml) was heated at 60°C for 1 h with monitoring by thin-layer chromatography. The mixture was cooled and poured into water. The crystalline precipitate was filtered off, washed with water until the wash water was neutral, dried, and recrystallized from ethyl acetate.

Dihydroisoidolone 3a was obtained in 80% yield as white crystals; mp 132-134°C. ¹H NMR spectrum (CDCl₃, 400 MHz), δ, ppm, *J* (Hz): 8.47 (1H, dd, 6-H); 7.80-7.75 (2H, m, 5-H and 4-H); 7.53-7.37 (5H, m, H-Ph); 5.41 (1H, dd, *J*_{33'A} = 3.7, *J*_{33'B} = 6.1, 3-H); 5.26 (1H, m, ³*J* = 10.4, ³*J* = 17.1, 2'-H); 5.00 (1H, dd, ³*J* = 10.4, *J*_{11'} = 1.2, 1'-H-*cis*); 4.86 (1H, dd, ³*J* = 17.1, *J*_{11'} = 1.2, 1'-H-*trans*); 2.80 (1H, m, *J*_{3'A3} = 3.7, 3'A-H); 2.62 (1H, m, *J*_{3'B3} = 6.1, 3'B-H). IR spectrum (KBr), ν, cm⁻¹: 1652, 1728, 1745 (C=O), 2580 (OH). Found, %: C 73.51; H 5.48; N 4.41; M⁺ 293. C₁₈H₁₅NO₃. Calculated, %: C 73.78; H 5.12; N 4.79; M 293.

Dihydroisoidolone 3b was obtained in 81% yield as colorless crystals; mp 122-125°C. ¹H NMR spectrum (CDCl₃, 400 MHz), δ, ppm, *J* (Hz): 15.75 (1H, br. s, CO₂H); 8.47 (1H, dd, 6-H); 7.83-7.76 (2H, m, 5-H and 4-H); 7.41 (1H, t, ³*J* = 7.3, 5''-H); 7.35 (1H, br. s, 2''-H); 7.28 (1H, br. d, ³*J* = 7.3, 4''-H); 7.20 (1H, br. d, ³*J* = 7.3, 6''-H); 5.37 (1H, dd, *J*_{33'A} = 3.5, *J*_{33'B} = 5.6, 3-H); 5.30 (1H, m, ³*J* = 9.7, ³*J* = 16.2, *J*_{3'B2'} = 6.2, 2'-H); 5.01 (1H, br. d, ³*J* = 9.7, 1'-H-*cis*); 4.87 (1H, br. d, ³*J* = 16.2, 1'-H-*trans*); 2.80 (1H, m, *J*_{3'A3} = 3.5, *J*_{3'3'} = 13.7, 3'A-H); 2.63 (1H, m, *J*_{3'B3} = 5.6, *J*_{3'3'} = 13.7, *J*_{3'2'} = 6.2, 3'B-H). IR spectrum (KBr), ν, cm⁻¹: 1610, 1713 (C=O), 2290, 3430 (OH). Found, %: C 74.31; H 5.73; N 4.72; M⁺ 307. C₁₉H₁₇NO₃. Calculated, %: C 74.27; H 5.54; N 4.56; M 307.

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