

A New and Efficient Approach to a 4H-1,3-Benzothiazine Ring  
that Utilises the Photo-cyclisation of N-o-Iodobenzoyl-  
thioamides: the Ring Transformation of Isothiazoles

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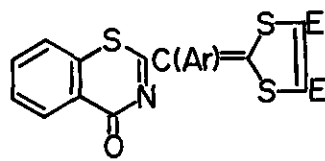
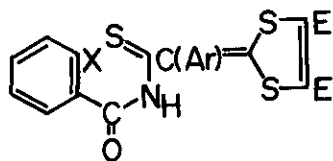
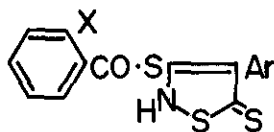
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Abstract- The photo-cyclisation of N-o-iodobenzoylthioamides  
has been found to provide a novel and efficient synthesis of  
4H-1,3-benzothiazin-4-ones.

Approaches to the synthesis of 4H-1,3-benzothiazines so far reported utilise  
appropriately substituted o-mercapto-benzoic acids and benzamides,<sup>1</sup> N-(phenylthio-  
methyl)benzamides,<sup>2</sup> and 1,2-benzoisothiazoles.<sup>3</sup> We now report a new and efficient  
synthetic method of this ring system which involves the photo-cyclisation<sup>4</sup> of  
N-o-iodobenzoylthioamides (6)-(10), prepared from 4-aryl-3-o-iodobenzoylthio-3-iso-  
thiazoline-5-thiones (2)-(4) as described earlier.<sup>5</sup>

A solution of the N-o-iodobenzoylthioamide (6) (0.10 g) in dry THF (580 ml)  
was irradiated with a high pressure mercury lamp (100 W) for 10 h; the solution was  
deaerated by a stream of N<sub>2</sub> before and during photolysis. Evaporation to dryness  
and silica gel chromatography of the residue with benzene followed by chloroform  
gave the benzothiazin-4-one (11) in 93% yield [m.p. >300°C, yellow needles (from  
MeCN). Found: C, 56.10; H, 2.98; N, 2.96; M<sup>+</sup>, 469 (FD Ms). C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>S<sub>3</sub> requires  
C, 56.27; H, 3.22; N, 2.98%; M<sup>+</sup>, 469]. Its structure was assigned from spectral  
data [ $\nu_{\text{max}}$ . (nujol) 1645, 1725, and 1740 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=O);  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ . (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 332 (log  $\epsilon$   
3.74) and 433 nm (4.59);  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (CF<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>D) 4.10 (s, 6H), 7.33-7.53 (m, 3H), 7.70-8.03  
(m, 5H), and 8.60 (d,  $J$  8 Hz, 1H)]. This cyclisation proceeds more inefficiently  
when the corresponding chloro-derivative is used; thus the compound (11) was ob-  
tained in 26% yield after 50 h of irradiation of (5) [prepared from (1)].

Similarly, the N-o-iodobenzoylthioamides (7)-(10) afforded the following  
benzothiazin-4-ones (12) [m.p. >300°C, 80% yield], (13) [m.p. >300°C, 83% yield],  
(14) [m.p. 222-223°C (decomp.), 86% yield], and (15) [m.p. 239-240°C (decomp.), 84%



(1) Ar=Ph, X=Cl

(5) Ar=Ph, X=Cl, E=CO<sub>2</sub>Me

(11) Ar=Ph, E=CO<sub>2</sub>Me

(2) Ar=Ph, X=I

(6) Ar=Ph, X=I, E=CO<sub>2</sub>Me

(12) Ar=p-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, E=CO<sub>2</sub>Me

(3) Ar=p-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, X=I

(7) Ar=p-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, X=I, E=CO<sub>2</sub>Me

(13) Ar=p-ClC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, E=CO<sub>2</sub>Me

(4) Ar=p-ClC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, X=I

(8) Ar=p-ClC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, X=I, E=CO<sub>2</sub>Me

(14) Ar=Ph, E=CO<sub>2</sub>Et

(9) Ar=Ph, X=I, E=CO<sub>2</sub>Et

(15) Ar=p-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, E=CO<sub>2</sub>Et

(10) Ar=p-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, X=I, E=CO<sub>2</sub>Et

yield], for which satisfactory microanalytical and spectral data have been obtained. Synthetical value of the above-mentioned photochemical heterocyclisation of the N-*o*-iodobenzoylthioamides is further obvious from the fact that their thermal cyclisation, unlike that of N-chloroacetylthioamides,<sup>5b</sup> is very slow and unprofitable. For instance, heating of 9 in THF for 24 h gave the benzothiazinone (14) in only 7% yield, together with other products.

Although the present study was carried out from our continued interest in the ring transformation reactions of isothiazoles,<sup>5b</sup> the reactions given herein appear promising as a synthetic method of 4H-1,3-benzothiazin-4-ones in the light of ready availability<sup>6</sup> of simple N-benzoylthioamides, and studies of relevance are now in progress.

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