Reactions with 3-Amino-5-trifluoromethyl[1,2,4]triazole: A Convenient Route to Fluorinated Triazolo[1,5-*c*]thiadiazine, Triazolo[1,5-*a*]triazine, Thiazoles and Thiadiazoles

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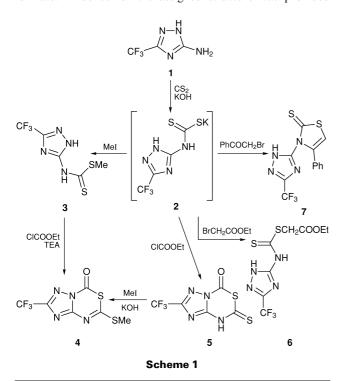
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The reaction of 3-amino-5-trifluoromethyl[1,2,4]triazole with carbon disulfide or phenyl isothiocyanate followed by heterocyclization with haloketones, haloesters and hydrazonoyl halides has been utilized for the synthesis of the title compounds; chemical and spectroscopic evidence for the suggested structures of the new compounds and a sequence leading to their formation are discussed.

Considerable interest has been shown in heterocyclic compounds containing a trifluoromethyl group. In addition, the importance of thiazoles and 2,3-dihydrothiadiazoles which arises from their diverse biological potential^{3,4} has led us to embark on a program to investigate the scope of the reaction of carbon disulfide and phenyl isothiocyanate with different reagents.⁵⁻⁷ Therefore, in continuation of our interest in the synthesis of heterocycles bearing the trifluoromethyl group⁸⁻¹¹ we report herein the utility of the reaction of 3-amino-5-trifluoromethyl[1,2,4]triazole with carbon disulfide and phenyl isothiocyanate for the synthesis of several new substituted 2-trifluoromethyl[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-c]-2-trifluoromethyl[1,2,4]triazolo[5,1-a]-[1.3.5]thiadiazine, [1,3,5]triazine, thiazoles and thiadiazolines required for a medicinal chemistry programme.

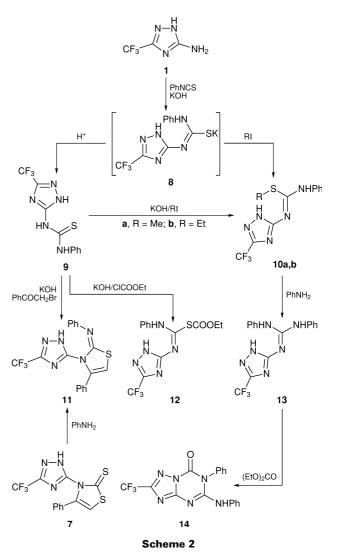
The reaction of 3-amino-5-trifluoromethyl[1,2,4]triazole (1) with CS₂, in dry dimethylformamide containing equimolar amounts of KOH at room temperature afforded the non-isolable potassium dithiocarbamate derivative 2. Treatment of 2 with MeI gave methyl 5-trifluoromethyl-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yldithiocarbamate (3) which was cyclized to yield 7-methylthio-2-trifluoromethyl[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-c][1,3,5]thiadiazin-5-one (4) upon treatment with ethyl chloroformate. Evidence for the assigned structure was provided

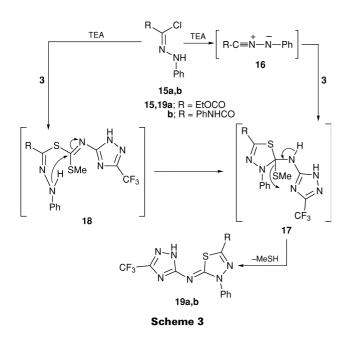


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by analytical and spectroscopic data and by alternative synthetic routes. Also, treatment of **2** with ethyl chloroformate afforded 7-thioxo-2-trifluoromethyl-7,8-dihydro[1,2,4]triazolo-[1,5-*c*][1,3,5]thiadiazin-5-one (**5**). The latter reacted with MeI, in the presence of KOH, to yield a product identical in all respects with compound **4** (Scheme 1). Treatment of **2** with ethyl bromoacetate afforded the 5-trifluoromethyl[1,2,4]triazol-3-yldithiocarbamate derivative **6**. Furthermore, the reaction of **2** with ω -bromoacetophenone yielded 4-phenyl-3-(5trifluoromethyl[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl)thiazole-2(3*H*)-thione (**7**).

The reaction of 1 with equimolar amounts of phenyl isothiocyanate and KOH, afforded the non-isolable potass-





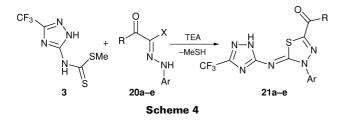
ium sulfide 8, which was converted into the thiourea derivative 9 by treatment with acetic acid. Compound 8 also reacted with MeI and EtI to afford the S-methyl- and S-ethyl derivatives 10a,b, respectively (Scheme 2). Treatment of 9 with ω bromoacetophenone and with ethyl chloroformate, afforded compounds 11 and 12, respectively. Compound 11 was also obtained by heating compound 7 with aniline.

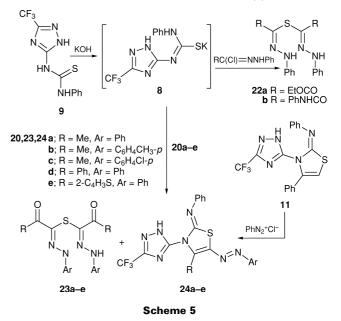
However, treatment of compound 10a (or 10b) with boiling aniline afforded a sulfur-free compound which was assigned structure 13. The formation of 1,3-diphenyl-2-(5-trifluoromethyl[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl)guanidine (13) took place via loss of methane- (or ethane-) thiol. Treatment of 13 with diethyl carbonate, at reflux, gave 6-phenyl-7-phenylamino-2-trifluoromethyl[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a][1,3,5]triazin-5(6H)-one (14).

Reaction of 3 with ethyl chloro(2-phenylhydrazono)acetate (15a), in the presence of triethylamine at room temperature, gave 2,3-dihydro-5-ethoxycarbonyl-3-phenyl-2-(5trifluoromethyl[1,2,4]triazol-3-ylimino)[1,3,4]thiadiazole (19a) (Scheme 3). Similarly, compound 15b reacted with 3 to give 2,3-dihydro-3-phenyl-5-phenylcarbamoyl-2-(5-trifluoromethyl-[1,2,4]triazol-3-ylimino)[1,3,4]thiadiazole (19b). The products 19a,b are assumed to be formed via elimination of methanethiol from the corresponding cyclo-adduct 17, formed from 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition of the nitrile imide intermediate 16 to the C=S of the methyl dithiocarbamate 3 (Scheme 3). The formation of 19a,b can also be explained by a stepwise path involving substitution to afford the acyclic hydrazone 18 which readily cyclizes to give the intermediate 17 which subsequently eliminates methanethiol to give the final product 19a,b.

The reaction of α -oxohydrazonoyl halides **20a–e** with **3**, in the presence of triethylamine at room temperature, was investigated and found to give the corresponding thiadiazolines 21a-e (Scheme 4).

In contrast, the reaction of hydrazonovl chlorides 15a,b and 20a-e with the thiourea derivative 9 afforded the sulfides





22 and 23 and thiazoles 24. Thus, treatment of 9 with 15a, in the presence of KOH at room temperature, furnished a single isolable product which analysed correctly for C₂₀H₂₂N₄O₄S. The structure of the product was elucidated, on the basis of its elemental analysis, spectral data and alternative synthesis,¹³ as the ethoxycarbonyl hydrazonoyl sulfide 22a. Similarly, the reaction of 9 and 15b afforded a single product, identified as the phenylcarbamoyl hydrazonoyl sulfide 22b.

The reaction of α -oxohydrazonoyl halides 20a-e with 9 gave, in each case, two isolable products (Scheme 5). The products obtained from the reaction of 20a with 9, for example, were found to have the molecular formulae C₁₈H₁₈N₄O₂S and C19H14F3N7S, respectively. The first product was assigned structure 23, which was further confirmed by the independent synthesis of 23a.¹³ The second product was formulated as 2,3dihydro-4-methyl-5-phenylazo-2-phenylimino-3-(5-trifluoromethyl[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl)thiazole (24a) on the basis of its spectroscopic data. Similarly, the reactions of 20b-e with 9 were found to produce two isolable products, in each case, which were similarly identified as the hydrazonoyl sulfides **23b**-e^{13,14} and the thiazole derivatives 24b-e. Further support for structure 24 was provided by reacting 11 with benzenediazonium chloride to give a product identical in all respects to 24d.

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