SHORT COMMUNICATIONS

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N-(4,6-Diphenylpyrimidin-2-yl)thiourea from 1-Benzoyl-2-phenylacetylene and N-Carbamimidoylthiourea

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In continuation of our previous studies on reactions of activated acetylenic compounds with sulfur- and nitrogen-containing polyfunctional nucleophiles [1–4] as a convenient route to various N,S-heterocycles, we examined the reaction of 1-benzoyl-2-phenylacetylene with *N*-carbamimidoylthiourea.

Heteroaromatic α -halo ketones are known to react with N-carbamimidoylthiourea to give 4-aryl-2-guani-dinothiazoles which exhibit strong antiulcer and spasmolytic activity [5, 6]. Reactions of 2-acylcycloal-kanones with N-carbamimidoylthiourea lead to formation of substituted pyrimidines which attract interest as potential analgetics and chemical means for plant protection [7].

Ph——COPh +
$$H_2N$$
 H_2N NH_2 $NH_$

We have found that 1-benzoyl-2-phenylacetylene (**I**) reacts with *N*-carbamimidoylthiourea (**II**) in anhydrous ethanol in the presence of an equimolar amount of sodium ethoxide in an inert atmosphere to afford *N*-(4,6-diphenylpyrimidin-2-yl)thiourea (**III**) in 55% yield. Presumably, the reaction involves intermediate formation of N-adduct **A** which undergoes dehydration leading to pyrimidine ring closure.

N-(4,6-Diphenylpyrimidin-2-yl)thiourea (III). A mixture of 1.03 g (5 mmol) of 1-benzoyl-2-phenylacetylene (I) and 0.34 g (5 mmol) of sodium ethoxide in 20 ml of anhydrous ethanol was added under stirring in a stream of argon to a suspension of 0.59 g (5 mmol) of N-carbamimidoylthiourea in 5 ml of anhydrous ethanol. The mixture was heated to the boiling point, stirred for 10 h at that temperature under argon, and kept for 12 h at 5-8°C. The precipitate was filtered off, washed with 5 ml of cold ethanol, and dried under reduced pressure. Yield 0.84 g (55%), colorless crystals, mp 222-224°C (from EtOH). IR spectrum, v, cm $^{-1}$: 3150, 3300, 3390 (NH, NH₂); 1490–1585 (C=C, C=N). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ, ppm: 8.22 s (1H, CH=); 7.56-8.25 m (10H, Ph); 9.24 br.s, 10.38 br.s, and 10.54 br.s (1H each, NH, NH₂). ¹³C NMR spectrum, $\delta_{\rm C}$, ppm: 107.32 (C⁵); 127.45, 129.00, 131.55, 135.87 (C_{arom}); 157.97 (C²); 165.09 (C^4, C^6) ; 181.10 (C=S). Found, %: C 66.45; H 4.48; N 18.35; S 10.24. C₁₇H₁₄N₄S. Calculated, %: C 66.64; H 4.60; N 18.28; S 10.46.

The IR spectrum was recorded in KBr on a Specord 75IR spectrometer. The ^{1}H and ^{13}C NMR spectra were obtained on a Bruker-DPX 400 spectrometer at 400.13 MHz for ^{1}H and 100.61 MHz for ^{13}C using DMSO- d_{6} as solvent.

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