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## SYNTHESIS OF PYRANO [2, 3-F] ISOFLAVONES (3-PHENYL-4H, 8H-PYRANO [2,3F]CHROMEN-4-ONES

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### Abstract

The Claisen sigmatropic rearrangement of 7-propargyloxyisoflavones (**3a-d**) refluxed N, N-diethylaniline at 220 °C for 24 hours to gives pyrano[2,3-f]isoflavones(3-phenyl-4H,8H-pyrano[2,3-f] chromen-4-ones (**4a-d** )

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### Introduction

Isoflavones and their oxygen heterocycle fused derivatives are naturally occurring and have a variety of biological properties such as fish toxicity, coronary vasodilator, and antitumour activity. Earlier we reported the synthesis of 4-(2H-chromen-3yl)-3-methoxy phenyl azetidin-2-ones. There is no report in the literature for the synthesis of pyrano [2,3-f] isoflavones.

In view of the 7-hydroxyisoflavones were synthesized by the modified Baker-Venkataramann transformation and these condensation with propargyl bromide in K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>-acetone gave the corresponding 7-propargyloxyisoflavones (**3a-d**). Compounds on Claisen rearrangement in N, N-diethylaniline at 220 °C gave the pyrano [2,3-f]isoflavones (3-phenyl-4H,8H-pyrano[2,3f] chromen-4-ones(**4a-d**).

### Material and Methods

#### General

Melting points were determined on a Polmon instrument (model no. MP 96).IR spectra were recorded on FT-IR Perkin-Elmer 1605 spectrometer, and <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100.6 MHz) were recorded on a Varian

Gemini 200 spectrometer using TMS as internal standard (chemical shifts and ppm). UV spectra were obtained on a Shimadzu UV-visible spectrophotometer (model UV-1601). Mass spectra were recorded on a VG micromass 70-70H instrument.

### General procedure for the synthesis of 7-propargyloxyisoflavones (3a-d)

#### i) 7-Propargyloxyisoflavone (3a)

7-Hydroxyisoflavone (**1a**) (2.7g, 10.0mmol) dissolved in acetone (40ml). Propargylbromide (**2**) (0.74g, 40mmol) and potassium carbonate (5.52g, 40mmol) is added and refluxed on water bath for 6 hrs. Acetone decanted and evaporated and ice cold water is added. The solid, which separated on column chromatography and elution with petroleum ether: ethylacetate (9:1) gave 7-propargyloxyisoflavone (**3a**), 2.2g, 75% yield.

Recrystallized from chloroform as pale yellow needles m.p 156 °C.

IR (KBr): 1635  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C=O), 3211  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  ( $\equiv\text{C-H}$ ), 2122  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C $\equiv$ C).

UV (MeOH): 208 nm (log  $\epsilon$  4.4), 220 nm (log  $\epsilon$  4.3).

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (200 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) :  $\delta$  7.93 (s,H-2), 7.55 (d,J=10.0 Hz,H-5), 7.05 (d,J=10.0Hz, 2.5Hz,H-6), 7.40(m,H-3',4',5'), 7.52(m,H-2',6'), 6.95(d, J=2.5 Hz, H-8), 2.35 (d,J=2.0Hz,  $\text{OCH}_2$ ), 2.55 (t,J=2.0 Hz, H-2,  $\equiv\text{C-H}$ ).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR(100.6 MHz):  $\delta$  175.36 (C-4), 161.70 (C-7), 157.57 (C-8a), 152.57 (C-2), 131.83 (C-1'), 128.03 (C-5), 125.29 (C-3), 119.08 (C-4a), 128.88 (C-2',6'), 128.34 (C-3',5'),127.88 (C-4'), 114.77 (C-6), 101.62 (C-8), 56.32 (C-1''), 77.31 (C-2''), 76.52 (C-3'').

MS:  $\text{M}^+$  304 (100%), 305 (28%).

Employing the similar procedure as mentioned for **3a**, **3b-d** were obtained from **1b-d** as solids in 70-80% yield.

#### ii) 7-Propargyloxy-6-chloro-4'-methoxyisoflavone (3b)

Recrystallized from chloroform as pale yellow needles, yield 74%, m.p 156 °C.

IR (KBr): 1636  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C=O), 3290  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ( $\equiv\text{C-H}$ ), 2369  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C $\equiv$ C).

UV (MeOH): 244 nm (log  $\epsilon$  3.9), 264 nm (log  $\epsilon$  3.8).

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (200 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.53 (d, J=9.0 Hz, H-5), 8.0 (s.H-2), 7.19 (d,J =9.0 Hz, H-2',6'),7.05(d,J=9.0Hz,3',5'),7.0(bs,H-8),4.85 (d, J=2.0Hz,  $\text{OCH}_2$ ), 2.62 (t, J=2.0 Hz, $\equiv\text{C-H}$ ),3.75 (s, $\text{OCH}_3$ ).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR(100.6MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  175.65 (C-4), 161.68 (C-7), 159.65 (C-4'), 157.63 (C-8a), 152.04 (C-2), 130.07 (C-2',6'), 127.93 (C-5), 119.10 (C-4a), 124.17 (C-3), 124.96 (C-1'), 114.72 (C-6), 113.99 (C-3',5'), 101.64 (C-8), 56.26 (C-1''), 77.40(C-2''), 76.36 (C-3''), 55.29 (4'-OCH<sub>3</sub>).

MS:  $\text{M}^+$  300 (100%), 370 (32%), 369 (20%).

### iii) 7-Propargyloxy-2',6-dibromo-4'-chloroisoﬂavone (3c)

Recrystallized from chloroform as pale yellow needles, yield 73%, m.p 158 °C.

IR (KBr): 1637  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C=O), 3220  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  ( $\equiv\text{C-H}$ ), 2363  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C $\equiv$ C).

UV (MeOH): 210 nm (log  $\epsilon$  4.9), 225 nm (log  $\epsilon$  4.8).

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (200 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.65 (d, J=10.0 Hz, H-5), 7.95 (s, H-2), 7.15

(d, J=10.0Hz, H-,6'), 7.16 (d, J=10.0Hz, H-3',5'), 6.65 (d, J=2.5Hz, H-8), 2.35 (d, J=2.0 Hz, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.55 (t, J=2.0 Hz,  $\equiv\text{C-H}$ ).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100.6 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  174.70 (C-4), 161.88 (C-7), 157.79 (C-8a), 152.58 (C-2), 134.56 (C-4'), 130.22 (C-3',5'), 128.68 (C-6'), 128.02 (C-5), 124.14 (C-3), 118.81 (C-4a), 115.02 (C-6), 101.79 (C-8), 76.99 (C-2''), 76.59 (C-3''), 56.34 (C-1'').

MS:  $\text{M}^+$  496 (100%).

### iv) 7-Propargyloxy-2', 6-dimethylisoﬂavone (3d)

Recrystallized from chloroform as pale yellow needles, yield 75%, m.p 160 °C.

IR (KBr): 1637  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C=O), 3299  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  ( $\equiv\text{C-H}$ ), 2365  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C $\equiv$ C).

UV (MeOH): 211nm (log  $\epsilon$  5.0), 255 nm (log  $\epsilon$  4.7).

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (200 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.35 (d, J=10.0Hz, H-5), 7.93 (s, H-2), 6.88 (d, J=9.0Hz, H-6'), 6.95 (J=2.0 Hz, H-3'), 7.00 (dd, J=9.0, 2.5Hz, H-5'), 7.18 (d, J=2.5 Hz, H-8), 4.80(d, J=2.0Hz, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.35(s, 6-CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.35 (s, 2'-CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.53 (t, J=2.0,  $\equiv\text{C-H}$ ).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100.6 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  175.0 (C-4), 161.72 (C-7), 157.62 (C-8a). 152.25 (C-2), 149.23 (C-2'), 149.20 (C-4'), 127.92 (C-6), 124.59 (C-3), 121.45 (C-6'), 114.81 (C-5), 114.90 (C-1'), 112.69 (C-3'), 111.33 (C-5'), 101.63 (C-8), 119.0 (C-4a), 76.35 (C-3''), 76.54 (C-2''), 56.26 (C-1''), 17.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>-6), 17.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>-2').

MS: M<sup>+</sup> 366 (100%).

### Synthesis of pyrano [2, 3-f] isoflavones (3-phenyl-4H, 8H-pyrano [2, 3-f] chromen-4-ones (4a-d)

7-Propargyloxyisoflavone (**3a**)(2.7g,10.0mmol) was dissolved in N.N-diethyl aniline (20ml) and refluxed for 24 hrs then the reaction mixture was cooled and poured in cold dilute hydrochloric acid (100ml) and extracted with ethyl acetate (200 ml) and concentrated. The crude product was chromatographed over silica gel by eluting with chloroform to give pyrano[2,3-f]isoflavone (**4a**), which was recrystallized from chloroform to give white needles 2.0g, 70% yield.

#### i) Pyrano[2,3-f]isoflavone,(3-phenyl-4H,8H-pyrano[2,3-f]chromen-4-one(4a).

Recrystallized from chloroform m.p 120 °C.

IR (KBr): 1630cm<sup>-1</sup>(C=O).

UV (MeOH): 205 nm (log ε 4.4), 220 nm (log ε 4.3).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :δ 8.05 (d, J=9.0Hz, H-5), 7.95 (s,H-2), 7.55 (m,H-2',6'), 7.40 (m,H-3',4',5'), 6.88 (d, J=10.0Hz, H-10), 6.80 (d, J=9.0Hz, H-6), 5.85 (dt, J=3.0Hz, 10.0 Hz, H-9), 4.95 (d, J=1.5 Hz, OCH<sub>2</sub> -8).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ175.2 (C-4), 158.15 (C-6a), 152.18 (C-2), 152.18 (C-10b), 131.83 (C-1'), 128.82 (C-3',5'), 128.27 (C-2',6'), 127.95 (C-4'), 126.72 (C-9), 126.72 (C-5), 124.98 (C-3), 121.35 (C-10), 117.15 (C-4a), 114.43 (C-6), 110.16 (C-10a), 65.97 (C-8).

MS: M<sup>+</sup> 276 (100%), 275(10%).

Employing the similar procedure as mentioned for **4a**, **4b-d** were obtained from **3b-d** as solids in 60-70% yield.

#### ii) Pyrano[2,3-f]-6-chloro-4'-methoxyisoflavone,3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4H,8H-pyrano[2,3-f] chromen-4-one (4b)

Recrystallized from chloroform to give white needles, yield 68%, mp 158 °C.

IR (KBr): 1631 cm<sup>-1</sup>(C=O). UV (MeOH): 244 nm (log ε 3.9).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.45 (d, J=10.0Hz,H-5), 7.90 (s, H-2), 6.95 (d,J=9.0Hz. H-3',5'),7.50 (d, J=9.0Hz, H-2',6'), 6.85 (d,J=10.0Hz, H-10), 5.85 (dt, J-10.0Hz, 3.0Hz, H-9), 4.95 (d, J=1.5Hz. OCH<sub>2</sub>, H-8), 3.82 (s, OCH<sub>3</sub>-4').

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100.6 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  176.0 (C-4), 157.78 (C-6a), 151.5 (C-10b), 152.20 (C-2) 160.03 (C-4'), 130.0 (C-2',6'), 127.0 (C-5), 127.0 (C-9), 125.0 (C-3), 124.0 (C-1'), 114.0 (C-3',5'), 122.0 (C-10), 118.0 (C-4a), 115.0 (C-6), 110.0 (C-10a), 66.0 (C-8), 55.0 (4'- $\text{OCH}_3$ ).

MS:  $\text{M}^+$  340 (100%), 342 (30%), 341 (20%).

**iii) Pyrano[2,3-f]-6,2'-dibromoisoflavone,(3-(2'-bromo-4'-chlorophenyl)-4H,8H-pyrano[2,3-f] chromen-4-one (4c)**

Recrystallized from chloroform to give white needles, yield 70%, m.p 182 °C.

IR (KBr): 1635  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C=O). UV (MeOH): 226 nm (log  $\epsilon$  4.8).

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (200 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.55(d, J=9.0 Hz, H-5), 7.35 (s, H-2), 7.20-7.50 (m, H-3', 5',6'), 6.86 (d, J=10.0 Hz, H-10), 5.83 (dt, J=10Hz, 3.0Hz, H-9), 4.95(d, J=1.5Hz,  $\text{OCH}_2$ -8).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100.6 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) :  $\delta$  174.64 (C-4), 158.58 (C-6a), 153.73 (C-2), 152.35 (C-10b), 135.31 (C-2'), 135.06 (C-4'), 133.07 (C-6'), 131.13 (C-1'), 129.71 (C-5'), 127.07 (C-9), 126.92 (C-3'), 121.67 (C-5), 118.65 (C-4a), 110.49 (C-10a), 122.96 (C-3), 114.87 (C-6), 117.30(C-10), 66.14 (C-8).

MS:  $\text{M}^+$  467 (100%), 469 (70%), 465 (40%).

**iv) Pyrano[2,3-f]-6,2'-dimethylisoflavone,(3-(4-chlorophenyl)-4H,8H-pyrano[2,3-f] chromen- 4-one (4d)**

Recrystallized from chloroform to give white needles, yield 69%, m.p 186 °C.

IR (KBr): 1651  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C=O). UV (MeOH): 204 nm (log  $\epsilon$  5.1), 226 nm (log  $\epsilon$  4.3).

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (200 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) :  $\delta$  7.20 (d, J=10Hz, H-5), 7.39 (s, H-2), 7.50 (d, J=9.0Hz, H-6'), 7.05 (d, J=9.0 Hz, H-3',5'), 6.82 (m, H-6, H-10), 5.85 (dt, J=10Hz, 3.0Hz, H-9), 4.99 (bs,  $\text{OCH}_2$ -8), 2.35(s,  $\text{CH}_3$ -6), 2.35 (s,  $\text{CH}_3$ -2').

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100.6 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) :  $\delta$  175.81 (C-4), 159.58 (C-6a), 158.16 (C-10b), 152.15 (C-2), 130.27 (C-4'), 130.07 (C-6'), 126.88 (C-5), 126.84 (C-9), 126.84 (C-1'), 126.86 (C-2'), 126.33 (C-3'), 126.31 (C-5'), 124.09 (C-3), 121.38 (C-10), 118.73 (C-4a), 114.49 (C-6), 110.23 (C-10a), 66.07 (C-8).

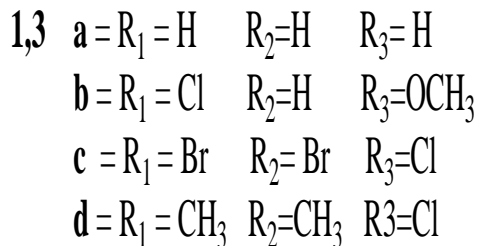
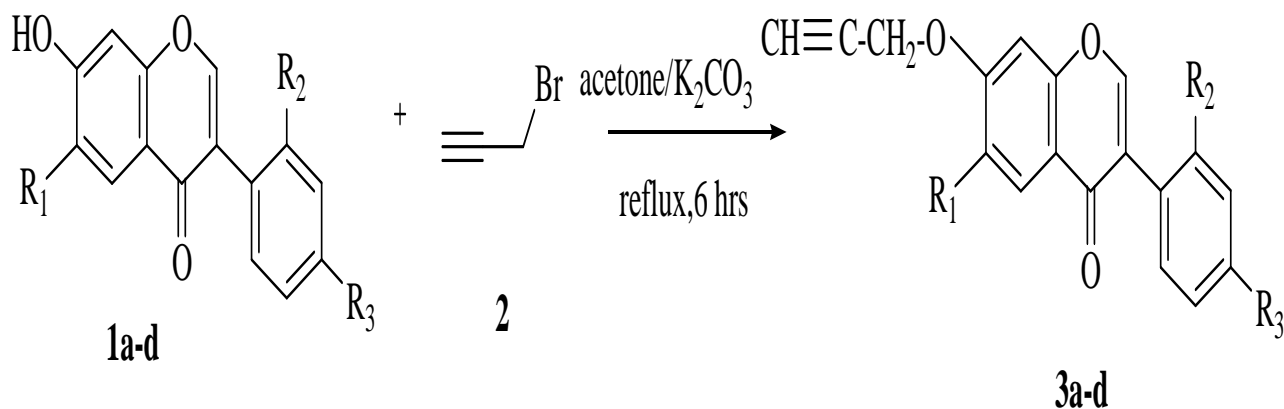
MS:  $\text{M}^+$  338(100%), 340(30%), 339 (20%).

## Results and Discussion

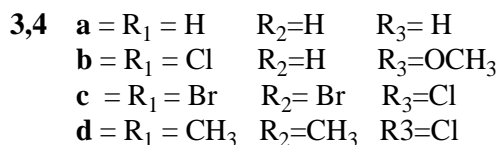
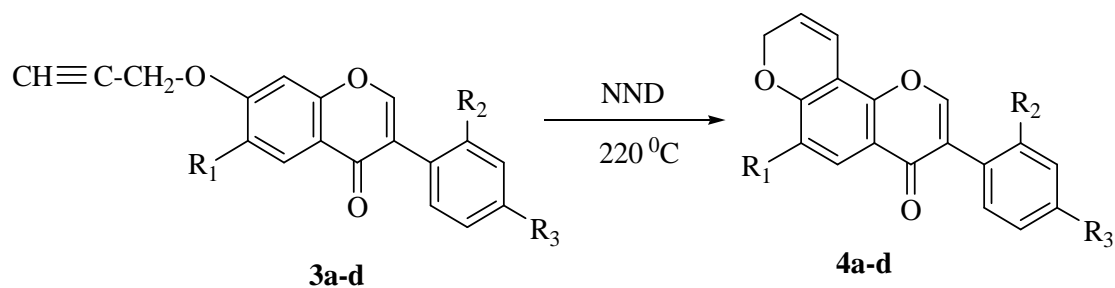
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7-Propargyloxyisoflavones (**3a**) dissolved in N, N-diethylaniline were refluxed at 220 °C for 24 hrs to give pyrano[2,3-f]isoflavones, (3-phenyl-4H,8H-pyrano[2,3-f]chromen-4-ones) (**4a**), In its IR spectrum of pyrano[2,3-f]isoflavone (**4a**) carbonyl peak appeared at 1630 cm<sup>-1</sup>. Its UV spectrum showed bands at 205 nm (log ε 4.4), 220 nm (log ε 4.3). In the <sup>1</sup>H NMR of pyrano [2.3-f] isoflavone (200 MHz) the OCH<sub>2</sub> group of the new ring system appears as a doublet at δ 4.95 (J=1.5Hz), the olefinic proton H-10 appeared as a doublet at δ 6.88 (J=10.0Hz), while H-9 appeared at δ 5.85 as a double triplet (J=10.0.3.0 Hz). The other signals are due to the original isoflavone moiety. H-2 appeared as a singlet at δ 7.95. H-5 appeared as a doublet at δ 8.05 (J=9.0 Hz), H-6 as a doublet at δ 6.80 (J=9.0 Hz), The aromatic protons H-2', 6' appeared as multiplet at δ 7.55 and H-3',4',5' at δ 7.40 as multiplet.

#### Scheme-1



## Scheme-2



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