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### Synthesis and Biological Evaluation of Potent Benzimidazolone Derivatives

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#### ABSTRACT

Some benzimidazolone derivatives containing piperidine ring derivatives were synthesized and characterization was done by CHN analysis, IR, Mass and <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectral data. The benzimidazolone derivatives were evaluated for their antibacterial activity against both gram-positive and gram-negative bacteria. The bacterial strengths were *E. coli*, *B. subtilis*, *B. megaterium*, *P. fluorescens* and found good results.

**Keywords:** Antibacterial activity, benzimidazolone derivatives.

#### INTRODUCTION

Heterocycles are in the center of research due to their versatile application [1]. The benzimidazolone ring structure is of particular interest especially within the realm of medicinal chemistry because of their different biological activity and clinical applications[2-4]. They exhibit a wide variety of interesting biochemical and pharmacological Properties including antagonize neurotransmitters[5-7], inhibit aldose reductase[8], show antiulcer and antisecretory properties[9-10], enhance pulmonary surfactant secretion[11] and modulate ion channels[12-13]. Benzimidazolone as well as piperidine derivatives[14] are also medicinally important. Research in the field of pharmaceutical has its most important task in the development of new better drugs and their successful introduction into clinical practice due to bacterial resistance over old drugs and other effects. Owing such properties by benzimidazolone derivatives lead us to synthesised their new derivatives and evaluate their antibacterial properties.

#### MATERIALS AND METHODS

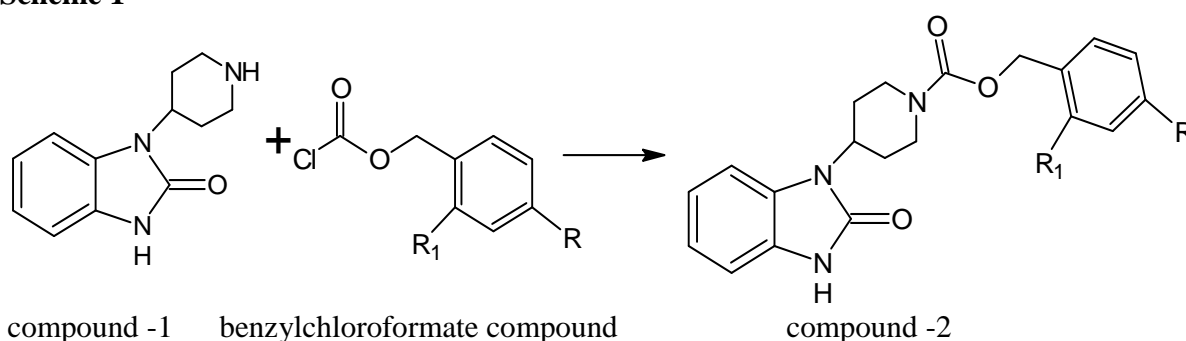
All melting points were recorded in open capillaries and on Veergo melting point apparatus. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker 300 MHz spectrometer at 300 MHz using TMS as an internal standard. The IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin Elmer Spectrum 100 FTIR

spectrometer where as Mass spectra were recorded on a Waters Micromass Q-ft instrument. The chemicals were used are of LR grade and obtained from the local market.

### Reaction scheme and general procedure for the synthesis of compound (2a-d)

To a solution of Compound-1(20.0gm) in dichloromethane, diisopropylethylamine (1.15M eq.) was added then resulting reaction mixture was cooled to 0 to 5°C. The solution of benzylchloroformate compound (1.02M eq.) in dichloromethane was added slowly under agitation. Progress of the reaction mass was monitored by TLC then water was added and separated out organic layer. Washed the organic layer with water and solvent was evaporated under vacuum. Dichloromethane was added to the residue and filtered then washed with cold methanol. The resulting product dried and weighed.

#### Scheme 1

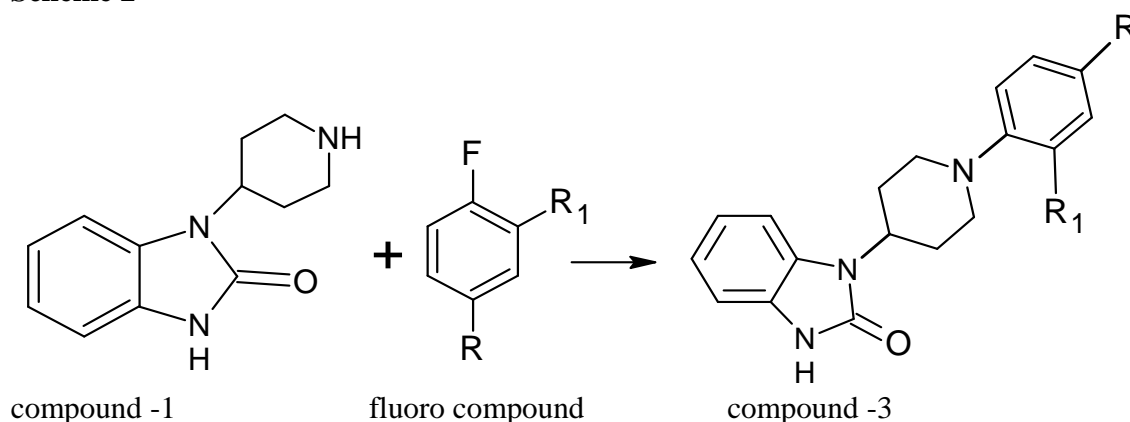


Where compound 2a: R=H, R1=H, compound 2b: R=NO<sub>2</sub>, R1=H, compound 2c: R=H, R1=Cl, compound 2d: R=H, R1=Br

### Reaction scheme and general procedure for the synthesis of compound (3a-f)

To a solution of Compound-1(20.0gm) in ethylacetate, fluoro compound (1.06M eq.) was added at room temperature. Diisopropylethylamine (1.1M eq.) was added slowly under agitation. Progress of the reaction mass was monitored by TLC. Filtered the product then washed with methanol. The resulting material dried and weighed.

#### Scheme 2



Where compound 3a: R=NO<sub>2</sub>, R1=F, compound 3b: R=NO<sub>2</sub>, R1=H, compound 3c: R=CH<sub>3</sub>, R1=H, compound 3d: R=Cl, R1= Cl, compound 3e: R=OCH<sub>3</sub>, R1=H, compound 3f: R=Cl, R1=H

**Table 1 Characteristics and Yield of Synthesised compounds**

| Compound code | Molecular formula  | Molecular weight (g mol <sup>-1</sup> ) | M.P. (°C) | Yield (%) | R <sub>f</sub> <sup>a</sup> value |
|---------------|--|---|-----------|-----------|-----------------------------------|
| Compound 2a   | C <sub>20</sub> H <sub>21</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>3</sub>    | 351                                     | 155       | 62.10     | 0.45                              |
| Compound 2b   | C <sub>20</sub> H <sub>20</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>5</sub>    | 396                                     | 176       | 59.27     | 0.52                              |
| Compound 2c   | C <sub>20</sub> H <sub>20</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>3</sub> Cl | 386                                     | 201       | 56.36     | 0.46                              |
| Compound 2d   | C <sub>20</sub> H <sub>20</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>3</sub> Br | 430                                     | 165       | 45.90     | 0.49                              |
| Compound 3a   | C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>17</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>3</sub> F  | 356                                     | 254       | 72.18     | 0.48                              |
| Compound 3b   | C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>18</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>3</sub>    | 338                                     | 125       | 64.00     | 0.45                              |
| Compound 3c   | C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>21</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O                 | 307                                     | 171       | 67.00     | 0.50                              |
| Compound 3d   | C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>17</sub> N <sub>3</sub> OCl <sub>2</sub>  | 362                                     | 119       | 49.25     | 0.47                              |
| Compound 3e   | C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>21</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>2</sub>    | 323                                     | 132       | 54.72     | 0.51                              |
| Compound 3f   | C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>18</sub> N <sub>3</sub> OCl               | 328                                     | 178       | 59.50     | 0.48                              |

<sup>a</sup>Solvent Systems: Ethylacetate: Hexane: Methanol (4.5:4.5:1)

### Preparation of Plates and Microbiological Assays

The *in vitro* antibacterial activity of the synthesised compounds was tested against some clinically important bacteria by the well diffusion method using Mueller-Hinton agar No.2 as the nutrient medium. Solutions of the synthesized compounds were prepared (10 mg ml<sup>-1</sup>) in dimethylformamide. The bacterial strains were activated by inoculating a loop full of the test strain in to 25 ml of nutrient broth and incubated for 24 hrs in an incubator at 37 °C. The activated strain (0.2 ml) was inoculated in Mueller Hinton agar at 45 °C. It was then poured into Petri dishes and allowed to solidify then 0.85 cm ditch was made in the plates using a sterile cork borer and these were completely filled with the compound solution. The dishes were incubated for 24 hrs at 37 °C. The experiment was repeated three times simultaneously under the same condition for each compound and the mean value obtained for three wells was used to calculate the inhibition zone growth. The controls were maintained for each bacterial strain with the solvent, where pure solvent was inoculated into the well. The inhibition zone, formed by the compounds against the particular bacterial strain was subtracted from the control, thereby determining the antibacterial activities of the benzimidazolone derivatives.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Table 1 shows the molecular formula, molecular weight, melting point, percentage yield and R<sub>f</sub> value of all synthesised compounds. The IR, NMR and Mass spectral data are given below.

### Characterization of Compound 2a-2d

Compound 2a: found (calcd): C, 68.52 (68.36); H, 5.98 (6.04); N, 11.86 (11.96); IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3300 (-NH str.), 1720 (O-C=O str.), 1690 (N-C=O str.), 1602 (-C=C str.), 1528 (-NH ben.), 1436 (-C-N str.), 1136 (-C-O-C str.). MS: 351[M.]; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (ppm)(CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 9.32 (1H, singlet, =NH), 6.97-7.33 (9H, multiplet, Ar-H), 5.11 (2H, singlet, -OCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.35-4.48 (3H, multiplet, piperidine), 2.89-2.97 (2H, triplet, piperidine), 2.26-2.30 (2H, doublet, piperidine), 1.77-1.81 (2H, doublet, piperidine).

Compound 2b: found (calcd): C, 60.30 (60.60); H, 5.15 (5.09); N, 14.25 (14.13); IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3290 (-NH str.), 1721 (O-C=O str.), 1688 (N-C=O str.), 1598 (-C=C str.), 1525 (-NH ben.), 1430 (-C-N str.), 1332 (-NO<sub>2</sub> str.), 1125 (-C-O-C str.). MS: 396[M.]; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (ppm)(CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 9.49 (1H, singlet, =NH), 6.97-8.15 (8H, multiplet, Ar-H), 5.08 (2H, singlet, -OCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.31-4.44 (3H, multiplet, piperidine), 2.84-2.93 (2H, triplet, piperidine), 2.25-2.29 (2H, doublet, piperidine), 1.80-1.84 (2H, doublet, piperidine).

Compound 2c: found (calcd): C, 62.01 (62.26); H, 5.14 (5.22); N, 10.80 (10.89); IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3292 (-NH str.), 1717 (O-C=O str.), 1685 (N-C=O str.), 1600 (-C=C str.), 1527 (-NH ben.), 1432 (-C-N str.), 1128 (-C-O-C str.), 1092 (-Cl aro.). MS: 387[M+1.]; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (ppm)(CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 9.32 (1H, singlet, =NH), 6.94-7.64 (8H, multiplet, Ar-H), 5.10 (2H, singlet, -OCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.30-4.44 (3H, multiplet, H-piperidine), 2.85-2.93 (2H, triplet, piperidine), 2.23-2.27 (2H, doublet, piperidine), 1.79-1.83 (2H, doublet, piperidine).

Compound 2d: found (calcd): C, 56.01 (55.83); H, 4.52 (4.68); N, 9.97 (9.77); IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3296 (-NH str.), 1718 (O-C=O str.), 1684 (N-C=O str.), 1594 (-C=C str.), 1532 (-NH ben.), 1428 (-C-N str.), 1130 (-C-O-C str.). MS: 431[M+1]; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (ppm)(CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 9.41 (1H, singlet, =NH), 6.98-7.59 (8H, multiplet, Ar-H), 5.18 (2H, singlet, -OCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.34-4.47 (3H, multiplet, piperidine), 2.88-2.96 (2H, triplet, piperidine), 2.27-2.31 (2H, doublet, piperidine), 1.79-1.83 (2H, doublet, piperidine).

#### **Characterization of Compound 3a-3f**

Compound 3a: found (calcd): C, 60.87 (60.67); H, 4.64 (4.81); N, 15.84 (15.72); IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3296 (-NH str.), 1688 (N-C=O str.), 1605 (-C=C str.), 1535 (-NH ben.), 1433 (-C-N str.). MS: 356[M.]; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (ppm)(DMSO-D<sub>6</sub>): 10.88 (1H, singlet, -NH), 8.11-8.15 (2H, doublet, Ar-H), 6.98-7.28 (5H, multiplet, Ar-H), 4.41-4.49 (1H, multiplet, piperidine), 3.84-3.88 (2H, doublet, piperidine), 3.10-3.18 (2H, triplet, piperidine), 1.79-1.83 (2H, doublet, piperidine).

Compound 3b: found (calcd): C, 64.00 (63.89); H, 5.28 (5.36); N, 16.40 (16.56); IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3288 (-NH str.), 1684 (N-C=O str.), 1601 (-C=C str.), 1519 (-NH ben.), 1438 (-C-N str.). MS: 338[M.]; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (ppm)(DMSO-D<sub>6</sub>): 10.65 (1H, singlet, -NH), 8.12-8.16 (2H, doublet, Ar-H), 6.97-7.27 (6H, multiplet, Ar-H), 4.40-4.48 (1H, multiplet, piperidine), 3.82-3.86 (2H, doublet, piperidine), 3.09-3.17 (2H, triplet, piperidine), 1.80-1.84 (2H, doublet, piperidine).

Compound 3c: found (calcd): C, 74.07 (74.24); H, 6.93 (6.89); N, 13.54 (13.67); IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3290 (-NH str.), 1686 (N-C=O str.), 1598 (-C=C str.), 1525 (-NH ben.), 1431 (-C-N str.). MS: 307[M.]; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (ppm)(DMSO-D<sub>6</sub>): 10.20 (1H, singlet, -NH), 6.99-7.38 (8H, multiplet, Ar-H), 4.37-4.45 (1H, multiplet, piperidine), 3.80-3.84 (2H, doublet, piperidine), 3.02-3.10 (2H, triplet, piperidine), 1.74-1.78 (2H, doublet, piperidine), 2.21 (3H, singlet, -CH<sub>3</sub>).

Compound 3d: found (calcd): C, 59.75 (59.68); H, 4.67 (4.73); N, 11.71 (11.60); IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3298 (-NH str.), 1687 (N-C=O str.), 1590 (-C=C str.), 1540 (-NH ben.), 1433 (-C-N str.). MS: 363[M+1]; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (ppm) (DMSO-D<sub>6</sub>): 10.50 (1H, singlet, -NH), 6.98-7.76 (7H, multiplet, Ar-H), 4.41-4.49 (1H, multiplet, piperidine), 3.83-3.87 (2H, doublet, piperidine), 3.10-3.18 (2H, triplet, piperidine), 1.81-1.85 (2H, doublet, piperidine).

Compound 3e: found (calcd): C, 70.76 (70.57); H, 6.44 (6.55); N, 13.05 (12.99); IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3291 (-NH str.), 1687 (N-C=O str.), 1599 (-C=C str.), 1529 (-NH ben.), 1441 (-C-N str.). MS: 323[M.];  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (ppm)(DMSO- $\text{D}_6$ ): 10.62 (1H, singlet, -NH), 6.98-7.42 (8H, multiplet, Ar-H), 4.38-4.46 (1H, multiplet, piperidine), 3.84-3.88 (2H, doublet, piperidine), 3.08-3.16 (2H, triplet, piperidine), 1.79-1.83 (2H, doublet, piperidine).

Compound 3f: found (calcd): C, 65.78 (65.95); H, 5.61 (5.53); N, 12.68 (12.82); IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3294 (-NH str.), 1689 (N-C=O str.), 1600 (-C=C str.), 1543 (-NH ben.), 1436 (-C-N str.). MS: 329[M+1];  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (ppm) (DMSO- $\text{D}_6$ ): 10.80 (1H, singlet, -NH), 6.98-7.38 (8H, multiplet, Ar-H), 4.36-4.44 (1H, multiplet, piperidine), 3.86-3.90 (2H, doublet, piperidine), 3.10-3.18 (2H, triplet, piperidine), 1.75-1.79 (2H, doublet, piperidine).

### Antibacterial Activity

The zones of inhibition of compounds are shown in Table 2. Overall all compounds are moderately active against tested bacterial strains. For bacterial strain *E. coli*, compound 3a, compound 2b and compound 3b showed maximum zone of inhibition respectively, as well as for bacterial strain *B. subtilis*, compound 3c followed by compound 2c and compound 3f showed maximum zone of inhibition. Compound 2b, compound 3a and compound 2d active against bacterial strain *B. megaterium*, however, Compound 5e, compound 3a and compound 2b active against bacterial strain *P. fluorescens*. Compound 2a and compound 3c showed lower activity against all tested bacterial strains, while compound 2d is moderate active against *B. megaterium* as well as compound 3d moderately active against *P. fluorescens*.

**Table 2 Antibacterial Activity of synthesised compounds.**

| Compound code | Antibacterial activity<br>Zone of inhibition<br>(mm) |                    |                      |                       |
|---------------|--|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
|               | <i>E. coli</i>                                       | <i>B. subtilis</i> | <i>B. megaterium</i> | <i>P. fluorescens</i> |
| compound 2a   | 11   | 14                 | 15                   | 12                    |
| compound 2b   | 17   | 16                 | 22                   | 18                    |
| compound 2c   | 13   | 17                 | 15                   | 14                    |
| compound 2d   | 12   | 13                 | 18                   | 12                    |
| compound 3a   | 20   | 15                 | 21                   | 19                    |
| compound 3b   | 16   | 16                 | 15                   | 12                    |
| compound 3c   | 11   | 15                 | 13                   | 13                    |
| compound 3d   | 15   | 14                 | 13                   | 16                    |
| compound 3e   | 12   | 15                 | 17                   | 21                    |
| compound 3f   | 14   | 18                 | 16                   | 11                    |
| DMF           | 10   | 11                 | 12                   | 10                    |

### CONCLUSION

It can be determined from the data that compound 2b and compound 3a is active against almost bacterial strains. Benzimidazolone attached with benzylchloroformates active against *B. megaterium*, while when it attached with fluoro compound active against *E. coli*. It can be

concluded that compounds substituted with electronegative groups increases antibacterial activity. Furthermore, compound substituted with fluoro or nitro group found to be more potent against tested bacterial strains.

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