

**A CONVENIENT SYNTHESIS OF [1,2-a] BENZIMIDAZO-
1,3,5-TRIAZIN-4-THIONES AND [1,2-a] BENZIMIDAZO-
1,3,5-TRIAZIN-4-ONES**

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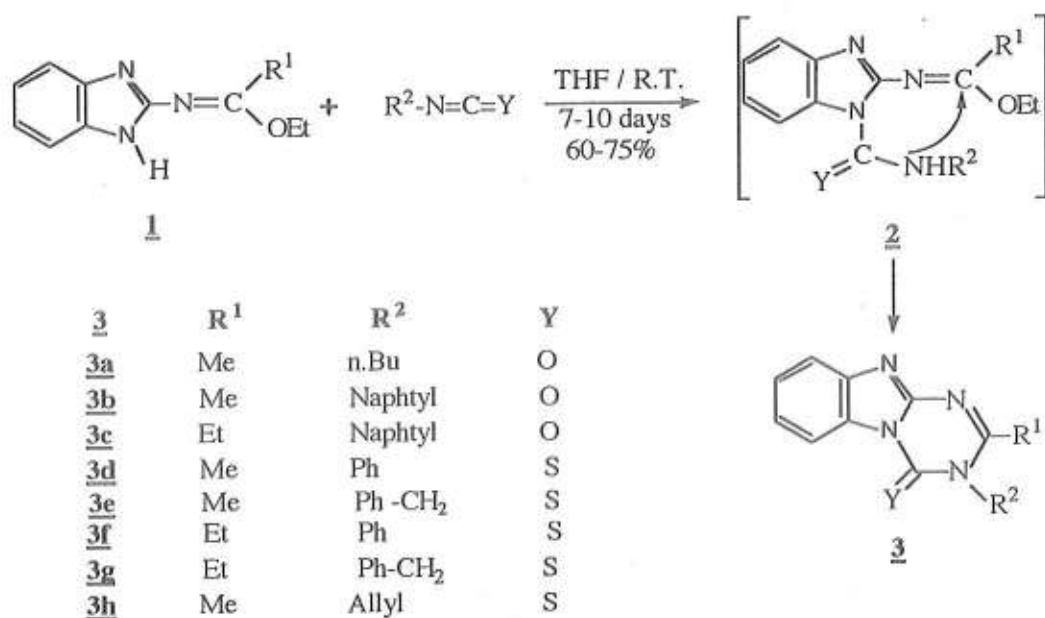
Résumé :

L'imide N-(2-benzimidazolyl) du type 1 réagit avec les isocyanates et thioisocyanates pour conduire respectivement aux [1, 2-a] benzimidazo 1,3,5-triazin-4-one et aux [1, 2-a] benzimidazo-1,3,5-triazin-4-thione avec des rendements variant de 60-75 % .

Abstract :

N-(2-benzimidazolyl) imide type 1 react with isocyanates and isothiocyanates to give the corresponding [1, 2-a] benzimidazo-1,3,5-triazin-4-one and [1, 2-a] benzimidazo-1,3,5-triazin-4-thione in 60-75 % overall yield .

Considerable attention has been attached to the chemistry of triazino-benzimidazole. Its derivatives have been claimed to be effective as herbicides¹ pesticides, and plant growth regulators². In continuation with our studies with imidates³⁻¹¹ we report in this paper a series of triazino-benzimidazoles 3 prepared by the addition of imidates type 1 to isocyanates and isothiocyanates (Scheme 1) .



Scheme 1

From a mechanistic viewpoint, we may consider that the cyclization process occurs through the formation of intermediate **2** in situ. The attack of the central carbon atom of the isocyanate or the isothiocyanate by the nitrogen atom of imide **1** forms intermediate **2**. The latter undergoes intramolecular nucleophilic cyclisation to give the corresponding [1, 2-a] benzimidazo 1,3,5-triazin-4-ones or [1, 2-a] benzimidazo 1,3,5-triazin-4-thiones **3** in moderate yields (scheme 1).

Experimental:

-Ir spectra were run in a CHCl₃ on a Perkin-Elmer 281 spectrometer.

-Proton NMR spectra were determined at ambient temperature with a Jeol 60 MHz spectrometer using CDCl₃ containing TMS as an internal standard.

-Melting points were obtained using a Büchi melting point apparatus.

-Elemental analysis was realized in the Elemental Analysis Center of Paul Sabatier University of Toulouse, France.

Imidates type **1** were prepared by the reaction of 2-aminobenzimidazole with orthoester according to published procedure^{12,13}; all other reagents were commercially available (Aldrich Chemical Co) THF was dried and distilled on Na/ Naphtalene before use.

-General procedure for the preparation of [1,2-a] benzimidazo-1,3,5-triazin -4-one and [1, 2-a] benzimidazo-1,3,5-triazin -4- thione.

To a solution of imidate **1** (10 mmol) in dry THF (10 ml) was added isocyanate or isothiocyanate(10 mmol). The mixture was left at room temperature until a solid precipitated out (7-10 days). The product was further purified by several recrystallizations from methanol.

3a: Yield : 60 %. mp =130° C. ¹H NMR δ(ppm): 1.1 (t, 3H); 2,6 (s, 3H); 4.1 (t, 2H); 1.1-2 (m, 4H); 7.5-8.3 (m, 4H). Ir (cm⁻¹): ν_{C=O} = 1730; ν_{C=N} = 1625. Anal. calcd. C 65.62; H 6.25; N 21.87. Found: C 65.90; H 6.30; N 22.10.

3b: Yield : 65 %. mp =225°C. ¹H NMR δ(ppm): 2.2 (s, 3H); 7.5-8 (m, 11H). Ir (cm⁻¹): ν_{C=O} = 1740; ν_{C=N} = 1630. Anal. calcd. C 73.61 ; H 4.29 ; N 17.17 . Found : C 73.40 ; H 4.23; N 17.17 .

3c: Yield : 60%. mp =175°C. ¹H NMR δ (ppm) : 1.3 (t, 3H); 3.7 (q, 2H); 7.5-8.5 (m,11H). Ir (cm⁻¹): ν_{C=O} = 1740; ν_{C=N} = 1630. Anal. calcd. C 74.10; H 4.70 ; N 16.47. Found : C 73.96 ; H 4.71 ; N 16.59 .

3d: Yield : 72%. mp =190°C. ¹H NMR δ(ppm) : 2.3(s, 3H) ; 7.5-8 (m, 9H). Ir (cm⁻¹): ν_{C=N} = 1625

3e: Yield: 72%. mp =178°C. ¹H NMR δ(ppm): 2.7 (s, 3H); 6.0(s, 2H); 7.3-9.0 (m, 9H) . Ir (cm⁻¹): ν_{C=N} = 1625. Anal. calcd. C 66.60; H 4.57 ; N 18.30. Found : C 66.58 ; H 4.53 ; N 18,40.

3e : Yield: 72%. mp =178°C. ^1H NMR δ (ppm): 2.7 (s, 3H); 6.0(s, 2H); 7.3-9.0 (m, 9H) . Ir (cm^{-1}) : $\nu_{\text{C=N}}$ = 1625. Anal. calcd. C 66.60; H 4.57 ; N 18.30. Found : C 66.58 ; H 4.53 ; N 18.40.

3f : Yield : 65%. mp =130°C. ^1H NMR δ (ppm) : 1.2 (t, 3H) ; 2.5(q, 2H); 7.5-9.0(m, 9H). Ir (cm^{-1}) : $\nu_{\text{C=N}}$ = 1625.

3g: Yield : 75%. mp =155°C. ^1H NMR δ (ppm): 1.4 (t, 3H); 2.9(q, 2H); 6.0(s, 2H); 7.5-9.0(m, 9H). Ir (cm^{-1}) : $\nu_{\text{C=N}}$ = 1625. Anal. calcd. C 67.5; H 5.00; N 17.50. Found : C 67.82 ; H 5.06 ; N 17.63.

3h : Yield : 75%. mp =117°C. ^1H NMR δ (ppm): 2.7(s, 3H); 5-5.5(m, 4H); 6 (m, 1H) ; 7.5-9.1(m, 4H) . Ir (cm^{-1}) : $\nu_{\text{C=N}}$ = 1625.

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