

Synthesis of 4 - (Substituted benzene)-1(substituted sulfonyl) Semicarbazides in Aqueous Medium

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Abstract: An expeditious solvent less approach for the synthesis of 4-(Substituted benzene)-1(substituted-sulfonyl) semicarbazides **3a-f** from substituted phenyl semicarbazide **1a-b** with substituted sulfonylurea chloride **2a-c** in water was studied. There is increase in yield and reaction time was reduced. These compounds have been characterized on the basis of elemental analysis, IR, ¹H NMR and M.S.

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INTRODUCTION

The well-known classic sulfonylurea, sulfonyl semicarbazides, sulfonylaminopyrimidines display a hypoglycemic activity [1-3]. The aim of this work is to synthesis of novel sulfonylurea semicarbazide; by a convenient procedure (solvent free condition). Organic synthesis under solvent free condition is of great relevance because of emerging environmental issues [4-7]. The current global awareness in developing environmentally friendly technologies and our philosophy is developing such technologies. It was decided to carry out the reaction in non-hazardous solvent. Performing a reaction in water is the ultimate dream of an organic chemist. This communication describes our effort toward this [8-9].

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

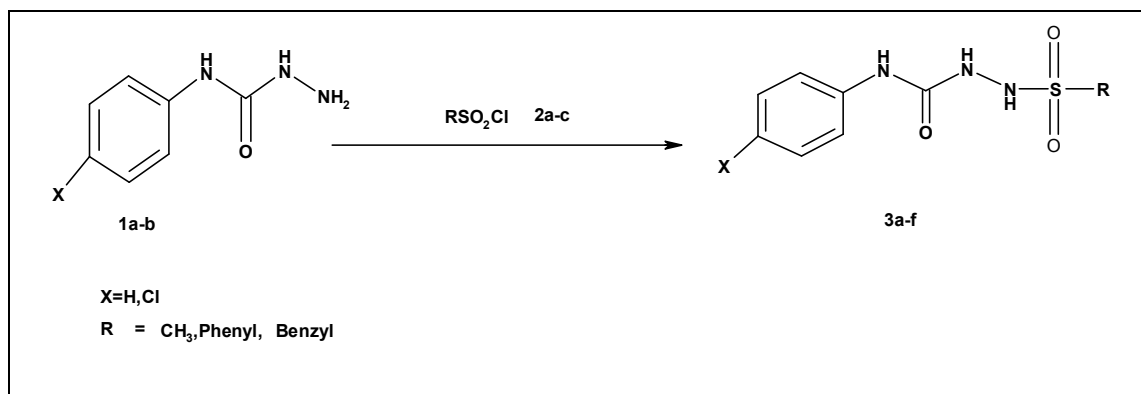
The sulfonyl semicarbazide derivatives **3a-f** were synthesized by refluxing appropriately substituted phenyl semicarbazide **1a-b** and substituted sulfonyl chloride **2a-c** in THF in the presence of pyridine for 5-6 hours [10] in

this method the yields are poor. The crude product was purified by crystallizing the Solid product in appropriate amount of methanol. We now report a modified and convenient procedure for the reaction of substituted phenyl semicarbazide **1a-b** with substituted sulfonyl chloride **2a-c** using water but not organic solvent. Compound **3a-f** formed within 1-1.5 hours in 90-95% overall yield and remarkable advantages because of easier workup.

EXPERIMENTAL

All the melting points are uncorrected and recorded on BÜCHI Melting Point apparatus (Model No. B-540); The IR Spectra were recorded in cm⁻¹ for KBr pellets on Perkin Elmer (Model No.1000). The ¹H NMR Spectra were recorded on Bruker 400 MHz spectrophotometer in deuteriochloroform using TMS as internal standard and the chemical shift are expressed in ppm. MS spectra were recorded on Agilent 1100 Mass spectrophotometer.

SCHEME 1:



**General Procedure for the synthesis of:
4-(Substitutedbenzene)-1 (substituted sulfonyl)
semicarbazides 3a-3f (General method):**

The solid mixture of substituted phenyl semicarbazide 1a-b (5 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and substituted sulphonyl chloride 2a-c (5mmol, 1.0equiv.) was suspended in 25 ml water. The pH of the suspension was adjusted and was maintained at 8.0 by adding 1 mol/L Na_2CO_3 aqueous solution at room temperature. It took 1.0-1.5 hours for the reaction to complete. Concentrated HCl was added slowly to adjust pH=2.0. The precipitate was collected by filtration, washed with water and dried to afford the title compound. No further purification was needed.

1-Phenyl-4-methylsulphonylsemicarbazide (3a).

mp 190-192 °C;
ir (potassiumbromide): 3342(SO_2NH),
3204(CONH), 1654($\text{C}=\text{O}$), 1317

($\text{S}=\text{O}$) cm^{-1} ; ^1H nmr (dimethylsulfoxide- d_6): δ 2.99(s, 3H),
6.96-6.99(t, 1H), 7.24-7.28(t, 2H),
7.48-7.50 (d, 2H), 8.58(s, 1H), 8.66 (s, 1H), 9.21(s, 1H).
ms: m/z 228.5 (base peak), 229.4. *Anal.* Calcd. For $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{11}\text{N}_3\text{O}_3\text{S}$: C, 41.91; H, 4.84; N, 18.33. Found: C, 41.90; H, 4.82; N, 18.38.

1-Phenyl-4-benzenesulphonyl semicarbazide (3b).

mp 210-212 °C ;ir (potassiumbromide):
3355(SO_2NH), 3209(CONH), 1600($\text{C}=\text{O}$), 1337

($\text{S}=\text{O}$) cm^{-1} ; ^1H nmr (dimethylsulfoxide- d_6):
 δ 6.92-6.96(t, 1H), 7.19-7.23(t, 2H), 7.34-7.36 (d, 2H), 7.58-
7.62(t, 2H), 7.65-7.69(t, 2H), 7.85-7.87(d, 2H), 8.34(s, 1H),
8.52(s, 1H), 9.66(s, 1H); ms: m/z 291.2, 290.3(base peak)
, 141.
Anal. Calcd. For $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{13}\text{N}_3\text{O}_3\text{S}$: C, 53.60; H, 4.50; N, 14.42. Found: C, 53.64; H, 4.58; N, 15.32.

1-Phenyl-4-benzyl sulphonyl semicarbazide (3c).

mp 198 °C; ir (potassiumbromide):
3299 (SO_2NH), 3130(CONH), 1663($\text{C}=\text{O}$), 1337

($\text{S}=\text{O}$) cm^{-1} ; ^1H nmr (dimethyl sulfoxide- d_6): δ 4.44(s,
2H), 6.97-7.00 (t, 1H), 7.26-7.30 (t, 2H), 7.37-7.41(d,
3H), 7.46-7.57(m, 4H), 8.62(s, 1H), 8.69(s, 1H), 9.33(s,
1H); ms: m/z 306 (base peak), 323, 328 .
Anal. Calcd. For $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_3\text{O}_3\text{S}$: C, 55.07; H, 4.95; N, 13.76. Found: C, 55.17; H, 4.98; N, 13.86.

Parachloro1-phenyl-4-methylsulphonyl semicarbazide (3d).

mp 263-266 °C; ir (potassium bromide):
3339 (SO_2NH), 3258 (CON-H) 1656 ($\text{C}=\text{O}$), 1317($\text{S}=\text{O}$)
 cm^{-1} ; ^1H nmr (dimethyl sulfoxide- d_6): δ 2.99(s, 3H),
7.29-7.31 (d, 2H), 7.54-7.57(d, 2H), 8.71 (s, 1H), 8.89
(s, 1H), 9.24 (s, 1H) ms: m/z 262.5, 264.3.
Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_8\text{H}_9\text{ClN}_3\text{O}_3\text{S}$: C, 36.44; H, 3.82; N, 15.93. Found: C, 36.48; H, 3.86; N, 16.00.

Para-chloro1-phenyl-4-benzenesulphonyl semicarbazide (3e).

mp 230-233 °C; ir (potassiumbromide):
3332(SO_2NH), 3299(CON-H), 1678 ($\text{C}=\text{O}$), 1320 ($\text{S}=\text{O}$)
 cm^{-1} ;

^1H nmr (dimethylsulfoxide- d_6): δ 7.25-.28(d, 2H), 7.40-
7.42(d, 2H), 7.57-7.61(t, 2H), 7.64-7.68(t, 1H), 7.83-
7.86 (d, 2H), 8.47(s, 1H), 8.75(s, 1H), 9.71(s, 1H).
ms: m/z 324.1, 326.1.

Anal. Calcd. For $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_3\text{O}_3\text{S}$: C, 47.93; H, 3.71; N, 12.90. Found: C, 47.98; H, 3.75; N, 13.02.

1-Phenyl-4-benzil sulphonyl semicarbazide (3f).

mp 228-230 °C ;ir (potassiumbromide):
3347(SO_2NH), 3253(CON-H), 1693($\text{C}=\text{O}$), 1317($\text{S}=\text{O}$) cm^{-1} ;
 ^1H nmr. (dimethyl sulfoxide- d_6) δ 4.44(d, 2H), 7.31-
7.33(d, 2H), 7.36-7.41(m, 3H), 7.44- 7.46(m, 2H), 7.55-
7.58(d, 2H), 8.76(s, 1H), 8.91(s, 1H), 9.36(s, 1H), ms:
m/z 340 (base peak), 362.2, 364.1,
Anal. Calcd. For $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_3\text{O}_3\text{S}$: C, 49.49 H, 4.15; N, 12.37. Found: C, 50.02.; H, 4.20; N, 12.70.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, the water serves as an excellent medium for the condensation of phenyl semicarbazide with sulphonyl chloride for the synthesis of sulphonyl semicarbazide.

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