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Synthesis, Characterization and Biological Evaluation of 1,3,4 Oxadiazole Derivatives Containing Indole Moiety Bearing-Tetrazole

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ABSTRACT

Schiff base synthesis of 1,3,4 oxadiazole derivatives containing Indole moiety bearing thiazolidinone ring were synthesized by the condensation of 2-(3-(4-oxo-3-(p-tolyl) 1H-tetrazol-5-yl)-1H-indol-1-yl)-N-(1,1,1-trifluoropropan-2-ylidene) acetohydrazide with acetic anhydride. To this reaction was subjected in schiff base reaction. It forms 2-(1-((4-acetyl-5-methyl-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4, 5-dihydro-1, 3, 4-oxadiazol-2-yl) methyl)-1H-indol-3-yl)-3-(p-tolyl) 1H-tetrazol-5-yl). The structure of these newly synthesized compounds was characterized by ¹H NMR, ¹³CNMR, Mass, IR, and elemental analysis.

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Introduction

Hetero cyclic compounds represent an important class of biological molecules. The hetero cyclic molecules which, possess indole, 1, 3, 4 oxadiazole and thiazolidinone moieties exhibit a wide range of biological activities. Indoles are one of the most important alkaloid molecules found extensively in biological systems, which play a vital role in many of the biochemical processes. Indole ring constitutes an important basic skeleton and development of the drug. The classical indole drugs are indomethacin and indoxole. Indole

derivatives found to possess high which includes, antibacterial, analgesic, antipyretic, antifungal, inflammatory, anthelmintic, cardiovascular, anticonvulsant and selective COX-2 inhibitory activities.

Tetrazole and its derivatives have attracted much attention because of their unique structure and applications as antihypertensive, antiallergic, antibiotic and anticonvulsant agents¹⁻⁷.

Among the five member heterocyclic compounds, 1, 3, 4-oxadiazoles has become an important synthon for the



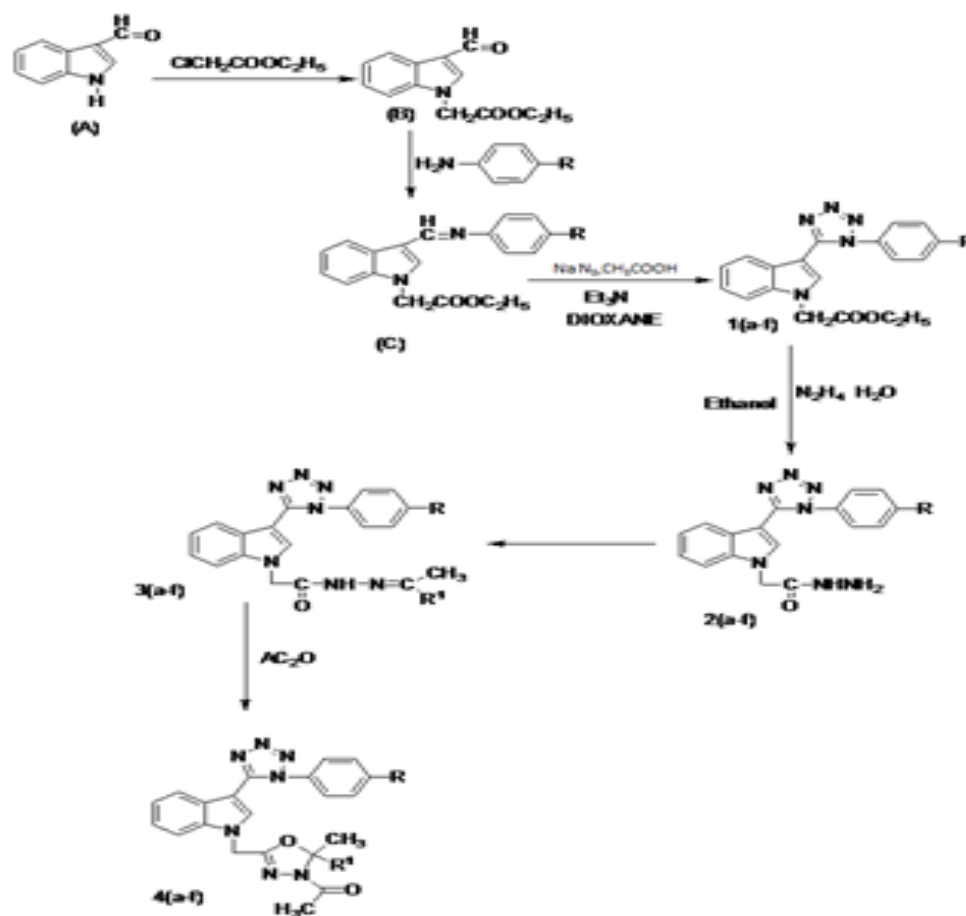
development new therapeutic agents. Compounds with 1, 3, 4-oxadiazole core substantiates for broad spectrum of biological activities including antimicrobial, antifungal, antiinflammatory⁸, anti-convulsant⁹, antioxidant, analgesic¹⁰, and mutagenic activity¹¹. Compounds containing quinoline moiety are most widely used as antimalarials¹², antibacterials¹³, antifungals¹⁴, anticancer agents¹⁵. And potential HIV-1 integrase inhibitors¹⁶⁻¹⁷.

Results and Discussion

Synthesis of 2-(3-formyl-1H-indol-1-yl) acetate (B)

An equimolar mixture of indole-3-carbaldehyde (A) and chloro ethyl acetate were dissolved in dimethyl formamide solvent and to this reaction mixture

anhydrous K_2CO_3 was added and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature ($35^{\circ}C$) for 8 hours and the progress of the reaction was monitored by TLC using cyclohexane and ethyl acetate solvent mixture (7:3) as eluent the reaction mixture was kept overnight. After completion of the reaction the solvent was evaporated on Rota-evaporator. The gummy solid was separated and it was recrystallised from -2-propanol-petroleum ether ($80^{\circ}C$) solvent mixture. The crystalline solid was found to be 2-(3-formyl-1H-indol-1-yl) acetate. With a yield of 75% and mp $143-145^{\circ}C$. The indole-3-carbaldehyde used in the present studies was purchased from Aldrich company and was used without any further purification. Yield 75%, m.p.: $143-145^{\circ}C$.



compound	4(a)	4(b)	4(c)	4(d)	4(e)	4(f)
R	H	CH ₃	OCH ₃	Cl	NO ₂	CF ₃
R ¹	CF ₃	CF ₃	CF ₃	CF ₃	CF ₃	H

The IR(KBr) spectrum of 2-(3-formyl-1H-indol-1-yl) acetate was recorded in the range 4000-667cm⁻¹ and the absorption signals were found at 3032(√Ar-H), 2980 and 2960 (√ aliphatic CH₂ and CH₃), 1760 (√ CO of ester group), and 1182(√ C-O-C of ester group).

¹H NMR Spectra (δ_{ppm})

The ¹H NMR spectra of 2-(3-formyl-1H-indol-1-yl) acetate was recorded in DMSO-d₆ solvent. The NMR signal of 2-(3-formyl-1H-indol-1-yl) acetate was found at δ_{ppm}, 1.29 (t, 3H, J=13.2Hz, CH₃ of ethyl group), 4.13 (q, 2H, J=13.2Hz, CH₂ of ethyl group), 4.78(s, 2H, N-CH₂ group) and 6.92, 7.58 (m, 10H, C₈H₅N indole nucleus).

Synthesis of Ethyl 2-(3-phenyl imino) methyl-1H-Indole-1-yl-acetate (C)

Equimolar quantity of ani (ine(3) and ethyl-2-(3-formyl-1H-indol-1-yl)acetate (B) were dissolved in absolute alcohol, to this three drops acetic acid is added then heated on a steam bath for 5-6hrs at 100^oC. After standing for 24hrs at room temperature, the product was dried and recrystallised from warm absolute alcohol. The separated solid was identified as ethyl 2-(3-((4-nitrophenyl) imino) methyl-1H-indol-1-yl)acetate. Yield 75%, m.p.: 154-156^oC

IR Spectra (√, cm⁻¹)

IR (KBr) spectrum of ethyl 2-(3-phenyl imino) methyl-1H-Indole-1-yl-acetate (A) was recorded in the range 4000-667cm⁻¹ and IR absorption signals were found at 3032 (√ Ar-H), 2980 and 2960 (√ aliphatic CH₂ and CH₃), 1760 (√ CO of ester group), 1610(√ C=N group) and 1182(√ C-O-C of ester group).

¹H NMR spectra (300MHz, (CD)₂SO, TMS): δ

¹H NMR spectra ethyl 2-(3-phenyl imino) methyl-1H-Indole-1-yl-acetate (A) was recorded in DMSO-d₆ solvent. The NMR signal of ethyl 2-(3-phenyl imino) methyl-1H-Indole-1-yl-acetate (A) was found at δ_{ppm}, 1.29(t, 3H, J=13.2Hz, CH₃ of ethyl group), 4.13 (q, 2H, J=13.2Hz, CH₂ of ethyl group), 4.78(s, 2H, N-CH₂ group) and 6.92, 7.58 (m, 10H, C₈H₅N indole nucleus and C₆H₅ phenyl nucleus) and 8.44(s, 1H, N=CH group).

The compound (A) was converted into tetrazole on treatment with (1) PCl₃, 100^oC, 1hr (2) NaN₃ (ice cold), ZnCl₂, Sodium acetate, acetone, water, RT. The formation compound was confirmed by IR, NMR data.

NMR spectra

1.29(t, 3H, CH₃ of C₂H₅), 4.78(s, 2H N-CH₂-C=O), 4.13(q, 2H, -O-CH₂ of OC₂H₅), 6.92-7.58(m, 10H, Ar-H), 8.44(N=CH).

IR spectra

The compound (A) shows signals at, 1610(C=N), 1760 (ester -C=O), 3032(Ar-H), 1182(-C-O-C).

Ethyl 2-(3-(1-phenyl-1H-tetrazol-5-yl)-1H-indol-1-yl)acetate 1(a)

A mixture of Schiff's base (0.01Mol) and (1) PCl₃, 100^oC, 1hr (2) NaN₃ (ice cold), ZnCl₂, Sodium acetate, acetone, water, RT. The reaction was cooled and the resulting solid was washed with sodium bicarbonate solution and recrystallised from absolute alcohol. The formation compound was confirmed by IR, NMR spectral data.

NMR spectra

1.32(t, 3H, CH₃ of OC₂H₅), 3.70 (s, 2H N-CH₂-C=O), 4.25 (q, 2H, -O-CH₂ of OC₂H₅), 7.2-7.30(m, 10H, due to 5H of indole, 5H of phenyl ring).

IR spectra

The compound 1 (a) shows signals at, 1616 (C=N), 1170 (-C-O-C-), 1723 (-C=O), (C-S-C), 695

Synthesis of ethyl 2-(3-(3-(4methyl phenyl)-1H-tetrazol-5-yl)-1H-indol-1-yl)acetate1(b).¹H NMR spectra (300MHZ, (CD)₂ SO, TMS)

1.35 (t,3H,CH₃ of C₂H₅), 2.25(s,3H,CH₃ attached to phenyl ring),3.72 (s,2H N-CH₂-C =O), 4.28,(q,2H, O-CH₂ Of OC₂H₅), 7.22-7.32(m,9H,due to 5H of indole,5H of phenyl ring).

IR spectra

The compound 1(b) shows signals at, 1612 (C=N),1165 (-C-O-C-),1720 (-C=O),(C-S-C),693

Synthesis of ethyl 2-(3-(3-(4methoxy phenyl)-1H-tetrazol-5-yl)-1H-indol-1-yl)acetate1 (c).¹H NMR spectra (300MHZ, (CD)₂ SO, TMS)

1.37 (t, 3H, CH₃ of C₂H₅), 2.27 (s, 3H, CH₃ attached to phenyl ring), 4.29 (q, 2H, O-CH₂ Of OC₂H₅), 7.25-7.35 (m, 9H, due to 5H of indole, 5H of phenyl ring).

IR spectra

The compound 1(c) shows signals at, 1610(C=N),1160 (-C-O-C-),1715 (-C=O),(C-S-C),691

Synthesis of ethyl 2-(3-(3-(4-chloro phenyl)-1H-tetrazol-5-yl)-1H-indol-1-yl)acetate1(d).¹H NMR spectra (300MHZ, (CD)₂ SO, TMS)

1.39 (t,3H,CH₃ of C₂H₅), 3.73 (s,2H N-CH₂-C =O), 4.29 (q,2H,-O-CH₂ of OC₂H₅),7.28-7. 35 (m, 9H, due to 5H of indole, 5H of phenyl ring)

IR spectra

The compound 1 (d) shows signals at, 1605 (C=N), 1155 (-C-O-C-), 1710 (-C=O), (C-S-C), 690

Synthesis of ethyl 2-(3-(3-(4-nitro phenyl)-1H-tetrazol-5-yl)-1H-indol-1-yl)acetate1(e).¹H NMR spectra (300MHZ, (CD)₂ SO, TMS)

1.40 (t,3H,CH₃ of C₂H₅), 3.75 (s,2H N-CH₂-C =O), 4.30 (q,2H,-O-CH₂ of OC₂H₅),7.29-7. 36 (m, 9H, due to 5H of indole, 5H of phenyl ring)

Ispectrara; The compound (1(e) shows signals at, 16 (0(C=,),1140 (-C-O-C,),1705 (-C=,),(C-S-,),698

Synthesis of ethyl 2-(3-(3-(4-trifluoro methyl phenyl)-1H-tetrazol-5-yl)-1H-indol-1-yl)acetate1(f).¹H NMR spectra(300MHZ,(CD)₂ SO,TMS)

1.42 (t,3H,CH₃ of C₂H₅), 3.77 (s,2H N-CH₂-C =O), 4.32 (q,2H,-O-CH₂ of OC₂H₅),7.31-7. 37 (m, 9H, due to 5H of indole, 5H of phenyl ring)

Ispectrara; The compound (1(f) shows signals at, 16 (5(C=,),1175 (-C-O-C,),1730 (-C=,),(C-S-,),700

Synthesis of 2-(3-(3-(4-substituted phenyl)-1H-tetrazol-5-yl)-1H-indol-1-yl) acetohydrazide (2)

A solution of 1 (a) (0.01mol) and hydrazine hydrate (0.015) in ethanol (20ml) was refluxed for 5 hours. The reaction mixture was cooled and poured into ice cold water with stirring. The separated solid was filtered, washed with water and recrystallised from ethanol.

NMR spectra

4.36 (s,2H N-CH₂-C =O), 4.98 (s,1 H,-N-NH), ,4.28(s,2H,-NH₂)

6.9-8.3 (m, 10H due to 5H of indole, 5H of phenyl ring).

IR spectra

The compound 2 (a) shows signals at, 1620 (C=N), 1175 (C-O-C), 1730 (C=O), 698 (C-S-C).

Synthesis of 2-(3-(4-oxo-3-(p-tolyl) 1H-tetrazol-5-yl)-1H-indol-1-yl)-N-(1,1,1-trifluoropropan-2-ylidene) acetohydrazide (3)

To the solution of 2(a) (0.01mole) in hot methanol (25ml), acetophenone (0.01) and a drop of glacialaceticacid were added. The solid that separated on refluxing for 3hours was filtered wash with cold methanol and recrystallised from methanol to give 7(a).M.P.236⁰C, yield 84%.

NMR spectra

2.54(s,1H_p, N=C-CH₃), 3.75 (s,2H N-CH₂-C =O), 4.90 (s,1 H,-N-NH), 7.1-8.3(m,10H due to 5H of indole,5H of phenyl ring).

IR spectra

The compound 3(a) shows signals at,1680(C=O,imide),1620(C=N), 3185(-NH),2950(-CH of aliphatic),3200(Ar-H), 700 (C-S-C)

Synthesis of 2-(1-((4-acetyl-5-methyl-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl) methyl)-1H-indol-3-yl)-3-(p-tolyl) 1H-tetrazol-5-yl (4)

A mixture of 3(a) (0.01mole) and excessive acetic anhydride (10ml) was refluxed for two hours.

The excessive aceticanhydride was distilled off and the residue was poured into crushed ice. The solid thus obtained was filtered, washed with water and recrystallised from aqueous methanol to furnished obtained compound. M.P.185⁰C, yield 56 %

NMR spectra

2.42(s,3H_p,CH₃), 2.46 (s,3H,-CO-CH₃),3.77(s,2H,-N-CH₂), 7.2 -8.5 (m,10H due to 5H of indole,5H of phenyl ring).

IR spectra

The compound 4(a) shows signals at,1680(C=O), ,1622 (C=N), 3130 (-NH of oxadizole),C-F(750) ,3200(N-H), 750(C-O - C) .

Synthesis of 2-(1-((4-acetyl-5-methyl-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl) methyl)-1H-indol-3-yl)-3-(p-tolyl) 1H-tetrazol-5-yl (4a)**¹H NMR spectra (300MHZ, (CD)₂ SO, TMS)**

2.42(s,3H_p,CH₃),2.46(s,3H,-CO-CH₃),3.77(s,2H,-N-CH₂), 7.2 -8.5 (m,10H due to 5H of indole,5H of phenyl ring).

IR spectra

The compound 4 (a) shows signals at, 1680 (C=O), 1622 (C=N), 3130 (-NH of oxadizole), C-F (750), 3200 (N-H), 750 (C-O -C).

Synthesis of 2-(1-((4-acetyl -5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl) methyl)-1H-indol-3-yl)-3-(p-tolyl) 1H-tetrazol-5-yl (4b)**¹H NMR spectra (300MHZ, (CD)₂ SO, TMS)**

2.23(s,3H,attached to phenyl ring), 2.43(s,3H,-CH₃), 2.48(s,3H,-CO-CH₃),3.78(s,2H,-N-CH₂) , 7.3 -8.6 (m,9H,due to 5H of indole,5H of phenyl ring)

IR spectra

The compound 4(b) shows signals at,1680(C=O), ,1620 (C=N), 3100 (-NHof oxadizole),745(C-F) ,3195(N-H), 743(C-O - C) .

Synthesis of 2-(1-((4-acetyl -5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl)methyl)-1H-indol-3-yl)-3-(4-methoxy phenyl) 1H-tetrazol-5-yl (4c)

¹H NMR spectra (300MHZ, (CD)₂ SO, TMS)

2.25(s,3H,attached to phenyl ring), 2.44(s,3H,-CH₃), 2.50 (s,3H,-CO-CH₃),3.79(s,2H,-N-CH₂), 7.45 -8.65 (m,9H,due to 5H of indole,5H of phenyl ring)

IR spectra

The compound 4(c) shows signals at,1680(C=O),1620 (C=N), 3098 (-NH of oxadiazole),740(C-F),3190(N-H), 741(C-O -C)

Synthesis of 2-(1-((4-acetyl -5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl)methyl)-1H-indol-3-yl)-3-(4-Choloro phenyl) 1H-tetrazol-5-yl (4d)

¹H NMR spectra (300MHZ,(CD)₂ SO,TMS)

2.45(s,3H,-CH₃), 2.49(s,3H,-CO-CH₃), 3.80(s,2H,-N-CH₂), 7.46 -8.68 (m,9H,due to 5H of indole,5H of phenyl ring)

IR spectra

The compound 4(d) shows signals at,1680(C=O), 1618 (C=N), 3105 (-NHof oxadiazole), 750(C-F), 3188(N-H), 755(C-O -C).

Synthesis of 2-(1-((4-acetyl -5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl)methyl)-1H-indol-3-yl)-3-(4-nitro phenyl) 1H-tetrazol-5-yl (4e)

¹H NMR spectra(300MHZ,(CD)₂ SO,TMS)

2.45(s,3H,-CH₃),2.48(s,3H,-CO-CH₃),3.77(s,2H,-N-CH₂), 7.44 -8.68 (m,9H,due to 5H of indole,5H of phenyl ring)

IR spectra

The compound 4(e) shows signals at,1680(C=O), ,1615 (C=N), 3110 (-NH of oxadiazole),755(C-F) ,3185(N-H), 748(C-O -C)

Synthesis of 2-(1-((4-acetyl -4, 5-dihydro-5-methyl-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl)methyl)-1H-indol-3-yl)-3-(4-trifluoromethyl) phenyl) 1H-tetrazol-5-yl (4f)

¹H NMR spectra(300MHZ,(CD)₂ SO,TMS)

2.45(s,3H,-CH₃), 2.49(s,3H,-CO-CH₃),3.77(s,2H,-N-CH₂), 7.47 -8.69 (m,9H,due to 5H of indole,5H of phenyl ring)

IR spectra

The compound 4(f) shows signals at,1680(C=O), 1621 (C=N), 3125 (-NH of oxadiazole),765(C-F), 3198(N-H), 760(C-O -C)

Anti-Bacterial Activity

The anti bacterial activity of synthesized compounds was studied by the disc diffusion method against the following pathogenic organisms. The gram-positive bacteria screened were *staphylococcus aureus* NCCS 2079 and *Bacillus cereus* NCCS 2106. The gram negative bacteria screened were *Escherichia coli* NCCS 2065 and *pseudomonas aeruginosa* NCCS 2200.

The synthesized compounds were used at the concentration of 250 µg/ml and 500µg/ml using DMSO as a solvent the cefaclor 10µg/ml disc was used as a standard. (Himedia, Laboratories Ltd, Mumbai).

The test results presented in the table - 1,suggest that 4a,4d,4e exhibit high activity against the tested bacteria, the rest of the compounds were found to be moderate active against the tested microorganisms.

Antifungal activity

The antifungal activity of synthesized compounds were studied by disc diffusion method against the organisms of *aspergillus*

niger NCCS1196 and *cadida albicans* NCCS34471

Compounds were treated at the concentrations of 500 μ g/ml and 1000 μ g/ml using DMSO as solvent. The standard used was clotrimazole 50 μ g/ml against both organisms. The test results were presented in the table-2.

Conclusion

1. Furthermore the substitution with a phenyl group having a chloro group at p-position showed better activities.
2. The tetrazoles showed better antibacterial and antifungal activities.
3. Thiazoles and its derivatives were found to play an important role in medicinal chemistry as herbicidal, fungicidal, bacterial, anti-inflammatory.

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Table 1. Antibacterial activity by disc diffusion method of indolelinked 1, 3, 4 oxadiazole having tetrazole 4(a.f)

Compound	Zone of inhibition (mm)			
	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	<i>Bacillus cereus</i>	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>
4a	16	18	13	12
4b	14	11	15	10
4c	13	12	10	09
4d	16	17	12	11
4e	18	16	15	17
4f	11	14	13	12
Cefaclor	19	22	19	20

Table 2. Antifungal activity by disc diffusion method for indole linked 1, 3, 4 oxadiazole having tetrazole 4(a-f)

Compound	Zone of inhibition (mm)	
	<i>Asperigillus niger</i>	<i>Candida albicans</i>
4a	14	16
4b	15	13
4c	17	15
4d	18	17
4e	23	21
4f	15	13
Clotrimazole	25-30	25-30