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# Synthesis and Antimicrobial Activity of 2-amino-4-(substitutedphenyl)-6-{4-[3-chloro-2-(4-Hydroxyphenyl)-4-oxoazetidin -1-yl] phenyl} pyridine-3-carbonitrile

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**Abstract:** Pyridine the simplest and perhaps is the best-known heterocyclic compound. The credit for the discovery of pyridine goes to Anderson who first obtained it from bone oil. The simple pyridine compounds are prepared by the Cyclization of aliphatic raw materials. Preparation of 3-cyanopyridines is available in the literature with different methods1-5. A new series of 2-amino-4-(substitutedphenyl)-6-{4-[3-chloro-2-(4-Hydroxyphenyl)-4-oxoazetidin -1-yl] phenyl} pyridine-3-carbonitrile are synthesized by reacting 3-chloro-1-{4-[5-(Substituted phenyl)-4,5-dihydro-pyrazol-3-yl]phenyl}-4-(4-hydroxyphenyl)azetidin-2-one with malanonitrile and ammonium acetate by using ethanol as a solvent. All these compounds were characterized by means of their IR, <sup>1</sup>H NMR, Spectroscopic data and microanalysis. All the compounds were tested for their antibacterial and antifungal activities by broth dilution method.

**Keywords:** Chalcones, Cyanopyridine, azetidin-2-one, Antimicrobial activity.

#### **Introduction:**

Interest in the synthesis of pyridine containing compounds has increased in recent years because of their biological and pharmacological activities.

Pyridine is the parent compound of the series of compounds that is important in pharmaceutical, agriculture and industrial chemistry. Among a wide range of pyridines 3-cyanopyridines acquired a special attention due to their wide range of therapeutic activities.

Some substituted pyridine-3-carbonitrile and their derivatives have been reported to possess some interesting biological activities such as Antifungal<sup>6</sup>, Antiepileptic<sup>7</sup>, Antibacterial<sup>8</sup>, Anticonvulsant<sup>9</sup>, Antitubercular<sup>10</sup>, Analgesic<sup>11</sup>, Insecticidal<sup>12</sup>, Antipsoriasis<sup>13</sup>, Antihypertensive<sup>14</sup>.

. In the present study we report the reaction of 3-chloro-1-{4-[5-(Substituted phenyl)-4, 5-dihydro-pyrazol-3-yl] phenyl}-4-(4-hydroxyphenyl) azetidin-2-one with malanonitrile and ammonium acetate to form pyridine-3-carbonitrile (4a-j). The structures of the various synthesized compounds were assigned on the basis of IR, <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectral data and elemental analysis. These compounds were also screened for their antimicrobial activity.

### **Experimental:**

The IR spectra were recorded on IR affinity-1, DRS-8000A, Shimadzu, Ptc. Ltd., Japan spectrophotometer. The <sup>1</sup>H-NMR was recorded in DMSO on Bruker Advance II 400 MHz spectrometer using

TMS as an internal standard. Melting points were determined in open capillary tubes and are uncorrected. The purity of the compounds was checked by TLC-using Silica gel-G (Merck). Column chromatography was performed on silica gel. All the compounds were tested for their antibacterial and antifungal activities by broth dilution method

### Preparation of 1-(4-{[(4-hydroxyphenyl) methylene] amino} phenyl) ethanone (1)

A mixture of 4-hydroxy benzaldehyde (0.01M), 1-(4-aminophenyl) ethanone (0.01M) and methanol (30ml) was heated for about 5 min. in a beaker (250 ml) to get a clear solution. The solution was kept overnight at room temperature to get the respective crude solid which was recrystallized from ethanol to obtain the pure crystals of 1-(4-{[(4-hydroxy phenyl)methylene]amino}phenyl)ethanone respectively. The yield of the product was 75% and the product melts at 195°C. Found: C(75.28%) H(5.45%) N(5.82%), Calcd. for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>13</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: C(75.30%) H(5.48%) N(5.85%). IR,cm<sup>-1</sup>:3085 (-OH), 3040 (=C-H), 2920(-C-H), 1676(>C=O), 1647(>C=N-), 1606 (>C=C<), 1363(-CH<sub>3</sub>, bend), 1314(-C-N<), 1284 (-C-O-), 1240(-C-CO-C-). H-NMR (DMSO, δ, ppm): 2.5692 (3H, s, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 6.5277-7.9774 (8H, m, Ar-H), 8.3820 (1H, s, -CH=N-), 9.6392 (1H, s, Ar-OH).

### Preparation of 1-(4-acetylphenyl)-3-chloro-4-(4-hydroxyphenyl) azetidin -2-one (2)

In a 100ml Round bottom flask 1-(4-{[(4-hydroxyphenyl) methylene] amino} phenyl) ethanone (0.01M) in 70ml benzene was taken. Chloro acetyl chloride (0.01M) was added at room temperature with constant stirring and triethylamine 1ml was added and the reaction mixture was refluxed for 7 hours. After the completion of reaction, solvent was removed by vacuum distillation. The solid was filtered, dried and recrystallized from toluene. The yield of the product was 60% and the product melts at  $119^{\circ}$ C. Found: C(64.64%) H(4.44%) N(4.42%), Calcd. for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>14</sub>ClNO<sub>3</sub>: C(64.67%) H(4.47%) N(4.44%). IR, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3300 (-OH), 3050(=C-H), 2950(-C-H), 1680(>C=O), 1600(>C=C<), 1375(-CH<sub>3</sub>, bend), 1300(-C-N<), 1240(-C-CO-C-), 1220(-C-O), 560 (C-Cl). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (DMSO,  $\delta$ , ppm): 2.5392 (3H, s, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.8954 (1H, d, >CH-Ar), 5.5151 (1H, d, >CH-Cl), 6.6720-8.0745 (8H, m, Ar-H), 9.7784 (1H, s, Ar-OH).

## Preparation of 3-chloro-1-{4-[3-(Substituted phenyl) prop-2-enoyl] phenyl}-4-(4-hydroxyphenyl) azetidin -2-one (3a-j)

To the solution of 1-(4-acetylphenyl)-3-chloro-4-(4-hydroxyphenyl) azetidin-2-one (0.01M) in absolute ethanol (50 ml), substituted benzaldehyde (0.01M) and 2% NaOH were added and refluxed for 10 hours. After refluxing the reaction mixture was concentrated, cooled, filtered and neutralized with dil. HCl. The solid residue thus obtained was crystallized by absolute ethanol. IR(3b), cm<sup>-1</sup>:3359(-OH), 3045(=C-H), 1728(>C=O), 1608(>C=C<), 1290(-C-N<), 1186 (-C-O-), 769(-C-Cl). H-NMR (3c-DMSO,  $\delta$ , ppm): 3.8789 (6H, s, -OCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.8613 (1H, d, >CH-Ar), 5.3413 (1H, d, >CH-Cl), 6.7340-7.8883 (11H, m, Ar-H), 7.9733 (2H, d, -CH=CH-), 9.8306 (1H, s, Ar-OH).

### Preparation 2-amino-4-(substitutedphenyl)-6-{4-[3-chloro-2-(4-Hydroxyphenyl)-4-oxoazetidin-1-yl] phenyl} pyridine-3-carbonitrile.(4a-j)

A mixture of 3-chloro-1-{4-[3-(Substituted phenyl) prop-2-enoyl] phenyl}-4-(4-hydroxyphenyl) azetidin-2-one (0.01M) in 30 ml alcohol then 0.011 Mole of malanonitrile and 0.06 Mole of ammonium acetate was added and refluxed for 7 h. Then the resulting product was cooled into crushed ice, filtered, washed by H2O, dried and recrystallized by ethanol.

IR(**4j**), cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3358 (-OH), 3040 (=C-H), 1693(>C=O), 1658(>C=N-), 1581 (>C=C<), 1372(-CH<sub>3</sub>, bend), 1324(-C-N<), 1284 (-N-N), 1215 (-C-O), 1075 (-C-O-C-).

Table: 1 Physical constant of 2-amino-4-(substitutedphenyl)-6-{4-[3-chloro-2-(4-Hydroxyphenyl)-4-oxoazetidin -1-yl] phenyl} pyridine-3-carbonitrile

			Yie		Elemental Analysis			
Compd	R	M.F.	ld	M.P.	% C	% N	% H	
Compa	K	141.1 .	%	°C	Found	Found	Found	
					(Calcd)	(Calcd)	(Calcd)	
	CI	$C_{27}H_{18}Cl_2N_4O_2$	68	215	64.63	11.14	3.59	
4a					(64.68)	(11.17)	(3.62)	
	НО	$C_{27}H_{19}CIN_4O_3$	65	180	67.11	11.57	3.92	
4b					(67.15)	(11.60)	(3.97)	
	OCH <sub>3</sub>	C <sub>29</sub> H <sub>23</sub> ClN <sub>4</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	75	206	66.07	10.58	4.37	
4c	——OCH <sub>3</sub>				(66.10)	(10.63)	(4.40)	
	NO <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>27</sub> H <sub>18</sub> ClN <sub>5</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	60	230	63.31	13.64	3.50	
4d					(63.35)	(13.68)	(3.54)	
		$C_{27}H_{18}Cl_2N_4O_2$	70	210	64.62	11.14	3.58	
4e	CI				(64.68)	(11.17)	(3.62)	
4f	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	$C_{31}H_{28}CIN_5O_2$	65	217	69.17	12.98	5.21	
	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>				(69.20)	(13.02)	(5.25)	
4g		C <sub>27</sub> H <sub>19</sub> ClN <sub>4</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	73	168	67.11	11.55	3.91	
	— Д— Д— ОН				(67.15)	(11.60)	(3.97)	
4h	CH <sub>3</sub>	$C_{29}H_{24}CIN_5O_2$	63	205	68.27	13.69	4.70	
					(68.30)	(13.73)	(4.74)	
4i		$C_{27}H_{19}ClN_4O_2$	69	202	69.41	11.95	4.06	
					(69.45)	(12.00)	(4.10)	
	HO OCH <sub>3</sub>	$C_{28}H_{21}CIN_4O_4$	64	215	85.51	10.88	4.09	
4j					(65.56)	(10.92)	(4.13)	

#### Results and discussion

### **Antimicrobial activity**

The MICs of synthesized compounds were carried out by broth micro dilution method as described by Ratan (2000). It is one of the non automated in vitro bacterial susceptibility tests. This classic method yields a quantitative result for the amount of antimicrobial agents that is needed to inhibit growth of specific microorganisms.

The invitro antimicrobial activity of test compounds were assessed against 24 hr cultures of several selected bacteria and fungi. The bacteria used were *E. coli, S.aureus, P. aeruginosa*, and *S. pyogenus*; the fungi used were *C. albicans, A. Niger, and A. clavatus*.

The antimicrobial activity was performed by broth dilution method in DMSO. Gentamycin, Ampicilin, Chloramphenicol, Ciprofloxacin, Norfloxacin, Nystatin and Greseofulvin were used as standard for the evaluation of antibacterial and antifungal activities respectively. The activity was reported by Minimal Inhibition Concentration. The results are summarized in Table-2

Table: 2 Antimicrobial activity of 2-amino-4-(substitutedphenyl)-6-{4-[3-chloro-2-(4-Hydroxyphenyl)-4-oxoazetidin -1-yl] phenyl} pyridine-3-carbonitrile

	COMP.	R	ANTIBACTERIAL ACTIVITY MINIMAL INHIBITION CONCENTRATION				ANTIFUNGAL ACTIVITY MINIMAL INHIBITION CONCENTRATION		
	NO.		E.COLI	P.AERUGINOSA	S.AUREUS	S.PYOGENUS	C.ALBICANS	A.NIGER	A.CLAVATUS
			MTCC 443	MTCC 1688	MTCC 96	MTCC 442	MTCC 227	MTCC 282	MTCC 1323
1	4a	-2-Cl	500	500	500	500	500	500	>1000
2	4b	-2-ОН	250	100	100	175	1000	500	500
3	4c	-3-OCH <sub>3</sub> , -4-OCH <sub>3</sub>	250	500	100	500	1000	250	250
4	4d	-3-NO <sub>2</sub>	125	100	100	62.5	500	500	500
5	4e	-4-Cl	250	125	100	175	1000	>1000	500
6	4f	$-4-N(C_2H_5)_2$	200	100	62.5	100	1000	500	500
7	4g	-4-OH	500	250	125	200	500	500	250
8	4h	-4-N(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	100	100	100	125	1000	500	500
9	4i	-Н	250	100	500	100	>1000	500	1000
10	4j	-3-OCH <sub>3</sub> , -2-OH	100	500	250	500	500	500	1000

**Table: 3 Antibacterial Activity: Minimal Inhibition Concentration (The Standard Drugs)** 

Drug	E.Coli P.Aeruginosa		S.Aureus	S.Pyogenus	
-	MTCC 443	MTCC 1688	MTCC 96	MTCC 442	
(MICROGRAMME/ML)					
Gentamycin	0.05	1	0.25	0.5	
Ampicillin	100		250	100	
Chloramphenicol	50	50	50	50	
Ciprofloxacin	25	25	50	50	
Norfloxacin	10	10	10	10	

Table: 4 Antifungal Activity: Minimal Inhibition Concentration (The Standard Drugs)

Drug	C.Albicans	A.Niger	A.Clavatus
-	MTCC 227	<b>MTCC 282</b>	MTCC 1323
(MICROGRAMME/ML)			
Nystatin	100	100	100
Greseofulvin	500	100	100

Biological screening result of activities 2-amino-4-(substitutedphenyl)-6- $\{4-[3-\text{chloro-}2-(4-\text{Hydroxy phenyl})-4-\text{oxoazetidin -1-yl}]$  phenyl\} pyridine-3-carbonitrile based derivatives shows that compound (4d, 4h & 4j) have shown better activity against E. coli and (4f & 4i) against S. pyogenus, while (4j) have Shawn better activity against S. Aureus, while rest of all compound possessed good activity against S. aureus in the range of 62.5-500 µg/ml. Compound (4a, 4d, 4g & 4j) is found to be good antifungal activity against C. albicans, against standard drugs Greseofulvin. While rest of all derivatives are poor against A. Niger, and A.clavatus

### Conclusion

The Main focus of this research work was to synthesize, characterize and evaluate antimicrobial activities of the newly synthesized pyridine-3-carbonitrile derivatives, structures of synthesized compounds were confirmed and characterized with the help of analytical data's such as IR and <sup>1</sup>H-NMR. In summary, we have described the synthesis and antimicrobial activity of some new 2-amino-4-(substitutedphenyl)-6-{4-[3-chloro-2-(4-Hydroxyphenyl)-4-oxoazetidin -1-yl] phenyl} pyridine-3-carbonitrile MIC values revealed that amongst newly synthesized compound having Nitro and 3-methoxy,2- hydroxy type linkage has shown good activity against the bacterial strains.

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