

ADDITION OF 2(1H)-PYRIDINETHIONE TO 3,4-DIHYDRO(2H)-PYRAN⁺

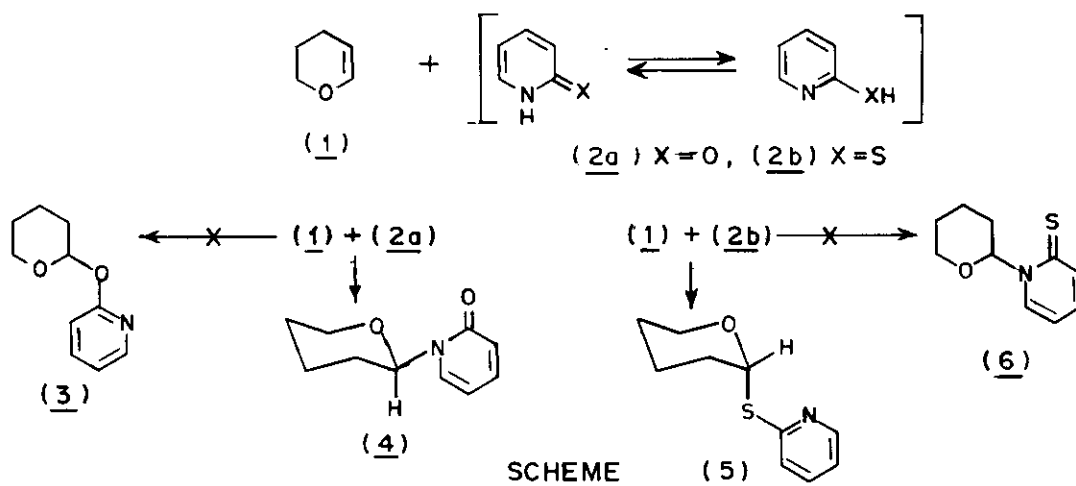
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Abstract - The title reaction gave [tetrahydro-2H-pyran-2'-yl]-2-thiopyridine (5) rather than 1-tetrahydropyranyl-2-pyridinethione (6) as was earlier reported.¹

Protonated pyridine-2-thiyl group is an excellent leaving group. Synthetic utility of this group was demonstrated in performing glycosidation² and macrolactonization³ reactions under very mild conditions. Thiopyridyl ethers and esters required for such transformations are generally made either from their corresponding hydroxy or the halogenated compounds using 2,2'-dithiodipyridine- R_3P and 2-mercaptopyridine-KOH², respectively^{3,7}.

In a programme to find new and simpler methods of preparing such thiopyridyl compounds, addition of 2(1H)-pyridinethione (2b) to 3,4-dihydro(2H)pyran (1) was tried (Scheme).



The reaction between (1) and (2b) (equimolar, CH_2Cl_2 , cat. PTSA, reflux 20 min) gave (5) in 42% yield. This observation is contrary to the report of Wagner et al.,¹

where (6) was reported to have been formed, when (1) and (2b) were reacted (equimolar, C_6H_6 -DMF, cat. PTSA, 70-80°C, 4 h). Due to this discrepancy Wagner's procedure¹ was repeated. But the compound isolated was found to be (5). Likewise, the reaction of (1)+(2a) (equimolar, C_6H_6 -DMF, cat. PTSA, 70-80°C, 4 h) of the same authors was also repeated¹ and it gave (4) as was reported. In either reaction, (CH_2Cl_2 or C_6H_6 -DMF, cat. PTSA) compounds (3) and (6) were not found even as minor compounds.

Though extensive investigations have been carried out and reviewed on the addition reactions^{1b,4} of heterocyclic compounds, which exhibit prototropic tautomerism,^{5,6} enough evidence was not presented on the structure of the reaction products specially when X = O or S as in (2a) and (2b). Hence, a systematic structure elucidation is presented here to distinguish between pairs (3), (4) and (5), (6), together with published data for other reference compounds (Table).

Structure elucidation of compound (5): Appearance of H-6 at δ 8.44 in the PMR spectrum (entry VII) is characteristic of a pyridine-2-thiyl group⁷. N-Alkylated 2-pyridinethiones, however, exhibit a very significant chemical shift difference in their PMR spectra [δ 6.63-7.70 (4H)] (entry III) when compared with their 2-alkylated mercaptopyridines [δ 7.09-8.42 (4H)] (entry IV and V). Likewise, a singlet at δ 158.35 (C-2) in the ¹³C-spectrum is diagnostic of a pyridine-2-thiyl group⁸ (entry IV and V), whereas structure (6) would be expected to show a singlet around δ 180.00 for the thioamide carbon⁸ ($R_2N-RC=S$) (entry III). UV [245(9032), 287 (4283)]¹² spectrum is also characteristic of compound (5) (entry VII). Whereas, UV of a conjugated dienone chromophore as in (6) would be clearly different (entry III). IR spectra (entry V and VII) are not really helpful in distinguishing structures (5) and (6). Conformation of (5) at C-2' shown is based on the comparison of the chemical shift value and the coupling constants⁷.

Structure elucidation of compound (4): In a similar way, appearance of H-5 at δ 7.74 (most downfield signal) in the PMR (entry I), a strong IR absorption at 1655 cm^{-1} and a very characteristic UV [228(5996), 302 (5280)] (entry I) confirm the formation of compound (4) in the reaction between (1) and (2a). ¹³C-Data (entry I and II) is not particularly useful in this case to distinguish structures (3) and (4). Conformation of (4) at C-2' is again based on the comparison of the chemical shift value and coupling constants.

TABLE

ENTRY [§]	COMPOUND	¹ H-NMR (ppm, CDCl ₃)	¹³ C (ppm, CDCl ₃)	UV (MeOH) $\lambda_{\max}$, nm (ε)	IR (ν cm ⁻¹ , CHCl ₃)	Ref.
I	N-Methyl-2-pyridone	3.55(s, 3H, N-CH ₃), 6.15(t, H-5), 6.57(d, H-3), 7.30(m, 2H, H-4 & H-6).	41.8(q, N-CH ₃), 104.8, 119.1, 139.5, 139.5(4d, C-5, 3, 4, 6), 161.8(s, C-2).	226(6100), 297(5700).	3030(w), 1665(s), 1585(s), 1535(s), 1315(m), 1150(m), 1050(m), 870(m).	9, 8, 10, 13
II	2-Methoxy-pyridine	3.90(s, 3H, OCH ₃), 6.63-6.92(m, 2H, H-3 & H-5), 7.36-7.67(m, H-4), 8.19(m, H-6).	60.9(q, OCH ₃), 111.0, 116.7, 138.3(3d, C-4, 5, 3), 147.4(4d, C-6), 164.9(s, C-2).	269(3230)	3020(w), 1590(s), 1560(s), 1430(s), 1315(s), 1280(s), 1260(s), 1040(s), 775(s).	10, 13, 14
III	1-Methyl-2-(1H)-pyridine-thione	3.99(s, 3H, N-CH ₃), 6.63(m, H-5), 7.18(m, H-4), 7.61(m, H-3), 7.70(m, H-6).	46.0(q, N-CH ₃), 134.1, 135.8, 141.0(3d, C-3, 4, 6), 180.2(s, C-2).	281(13600), 351(7040).	3010(w), 1610(m), 1540(s), 1410(s), 1135(s), 1110(s), 750(s).	14, 15, 16
IV	2-Methyl-thio-pyridine	2.61(s, 3H, S-CH ₃), 7.10(m, H-5), 7.25(m, H-3), 7.60(m, H-4), 8.58(m, H-6).	13.2(q, S-CH ₃), 119.0, 121.4, 135.7, 149.3(4d, C-5, 3, 4, 6), 159.9(s, C-2).	-	-	8, 12, 15
V	2,2'-Dithiodi-pyridine	7.09(m, 2H, H-5, 5'), 7.60(m, 4H, H-3, 3' & H-4, 4'), 8.42(m, 2H, H-6, 6').	119.6, 121.1, 137.3(3d, C-3, 3', C-4, 4', C-5, 5'), 149.5(4d, C-6, 6'), 158.8(s, C-2, 2').	236(14300), 280(9030).	3030(w), 1565(s), 1450(s), 1425(s), 1150(m), 1110(m), 1040(m), 990(m), 775(s).	13, 16
VI	(4)	^a 1.50-2.40(m, 6H, -CH ₂ -pyranyl), 3.52-3.91(m, H-6'), 4.10-4.30(m, H-6'), 5.94(d x d, H-2', J ₁ =9.88, J ₂ =2Hz), 6.24(d x d, H-5, J ₁ =6.84, J ₂ =2Hz), 6.55(d x d, H-3, J ₁ =9.5, J ₂ =2Hz), 7.30(d x d x d, H-4, J ₁ =9.5, J ₂ =6.84, J ₃ =2.28Hz), 7.60(d x d, H-6, J ₁ =6.84, J ₂ =2.28Hz).	^b 22.8, 25.2, 31.9(3t, C-3', C-4', C-5') 69.1(t, C-6'), 82.5(d, C-1'), 106.1, 120.4, 133.0, 139.4(4d, C-3, C-4, C-5, C-6), 161.5(s, C-2).	228(5996), 302(5280).	3080(w), 2920(m), 1660(s), 1580(s), 1530(s), 1440(w), 1290(m), 1250(s), 1200(m), 1180(s), 1140(m), 1090(s).	
VII	(5) ^c	^a 1.60-2.20(m, 6H, CH ₂ -pyranyl), 3.66(d x d x d, H-6', J ₁ =12, J ₂ =11, J ₃ =5Hz), 4.11(d x d x d, H-6' J ₁ =12, J ₂ =7, J ₃ =5Hz), 5.94(d x d, H-2', J ₁ =6, J ₂ =4Hz), 7.00(d x d x d, H-4, J ₁ =7, J ₂ =5, J ₃ =1Hz), 7.29(d x d x d, H-2, J ₁ =8, J ₂ =J ₃ =1Hz), 7.50(d x d x d, H-3, J ₁ =8, J ₂ =7, J ₃ =1.9Hz), 8.44(d x d x d, H-5, J ₁ =5, J ₂ =1.9, J ₃ =1).	^b 21.5, 25.5, 31.4(3t, C-3', C-4', C-5'), 64.4(t, C-6'), 81.8(d, C-2'), 120.0, 122.9, 136.3, 149.5(4d, C-3, C-4, C-5, C-6), 158.3(s, C-2).	245(9032), 287(4283).	3040(w), 2940(s), 2850(m), 1570(s), 1550(s), 1445(s), 1550(s), 1445(s), 1410(s), 1330(m), 1280(m), 1120(s), 1100(s), 1070(s), 1030(s), 1000(s), 890(m).	

a) Bruker, WH-90FT(90MHz); b) 22.63 MHz; c) bp 95°C/0.01 Torr; Elemental analysis: Found C, 61.52; H, 6.88; N, 7.01; S, 16.65. C₁₀H₁₃NOS requires C, 61.51; H, 6.71; N, 7.17; S, 6.41%.

§ Entries I to V; data have been previously reported.

Formation of (4) and (5) thus indicates a reversal in the chemical reactivity¹¹, in the addition reactions of 2-hydroxy and 2-mercaptopyridines (2a) and (2b) to 3,4-dihydro(2H)pyran (1). Based on the above observation it would appear necessary to check the several alkylations reported¹ on heterocyclic bases.

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