

Investigation and Synthesis of Some Novel Spiro Heterocycles Related to Indoline Moiety

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Abstract

Reactions of indole-2,3-dione **1** with 2-mercaptobenzimidazole, *o*-phenylenediamine, 2-aminophenol, 2-aminobenzothiazole, 2-aminobenzimidazole and 3-methyl-1-phenyl-2-pyrazolin-5-one were carried out to give compounds spiroindolethiazetobenzimidazole **2**, spirobenzimidazole(oxazole)indoline **3a,b**, benzothiazol(imidazol) iminoindolinone **4a,b** and methyloxoindolyidenepyrazolone **5** respectively. Compound **5** was reacted with 2-aminophenol as well as *o*-phenylenediamine to give new spirooxazepine and diazepine derivatives **6a,b** respectively. Reaction of **5** with nitrogen nucleophiles as well as carbon nucleophiles was investigated to furnish new spiro heterocycles **7-11**. The reaction of 2-(2-oxo-1,2-dihydroindol-3-ylidene)malononitrile compound **12** with 3-methyl-1-phenyl-2-pyrazoline-5-one was carried out to give spiroindolopyranopyrazolo derivative **13**. Compounds **4a,b** was reacted with thioglycolic acid to give thiazolidinone derivatives **14a,b**. Epoxidation of **5** using monoperoxyphthalic acid magnesium salt hexahydrate and hydrogen peroxide were executed to afford the novel dispiro (2-pyrazolin oxiraneindoline)dione compound **15**. The chemical structures of the synthesized compounds were well established by elemental and spectral analyses.

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1. Introduction

Among the various heterocyclic systems, indole holds a prominent place because it is present as a core unit in a number of compounds possessing a broad spectrum of biological activities [1, 2]. It is well known that the spiro-oxindole heterocyclic framework is an important structural motif in biologically relevant compounds as natural products and pharmaceuticals, e.g., surugatoxin, horsfiline, spirotryprostatin A and B, elacomine, gelsemine, alstonisine and strychnofoline [3-9].

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Further, the chemistry of spiro-indoles in which an indole ring is joined to sulfur and nitrogen containing heterocycles at the C-3 position through a spiro carbon atom is of great interest due to their physiological and biological activities [10-14]. Spiro (indolethiazolidinones) are known to possess various biological activities including anti-inflammatory [15], antimicrobial [16], bacteriostatic [17], anticonvulsant [18] and used as antifungal agents [19]. Pyridopyrimidine and their derivatives are of high interest in organic chemistry due to their potential biological and pharmacological activities such as antiviral [20-21], anti-inflammatory [22], insecticidal [23], antifolate [24], tyrosine kinase inhibitor [25], antimicrobial [26], calcium channel antagonists [27], antileishmanial [28], diuretic and potassium-sparing [29]. On the other hand the structure activity relationship (SAR) of benzodiazepines, benzoxazepines had been studied [30-34]. Diazepines have strong central depressant, anticonvulsant and anxiolytic activity [35-39]. It is of interest to note that pyrazoles are reported as well-known pharmaceuticals [40-43]. From this point of view and in continuation of our previous work [44-47], our aim is to design some new spiro heterocycles containing indoline moiety with expected high biological activity. Further in this paper we present the full experimental details of some novel spiroheterocycles [48-54].

2. Experimental

The time required for completion of each reaction was monitored by TLC. Melting point was measured by (Gallen–Kamp) apparatus and was uncorrected. Elemental analysis was performed with elemental analysen systeme GmbH. Verio EI. IR spectra were recorded with Shimadzu 470 Infrared Spectrophotometer (KBr wafer technique). ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra were taken with a NMR LA 400 (Joel) (400 and 100 MHz respectively) with TMS as internal standard. Mass spectrometric analysis was recorded with Joel-JMS 600.

2.1. Spiro (indole-3,2'-I, 3-thiazeto [3, 2-a] benzimidazole-2-one (2)

A mixture of indole-2,3-dione **1** (0.002 mol) and 2-mercaptobenzimidazole (0.002 mol) in absolute ethanol (20 mL) in the presence of triethylamine (1 mL) was heated under reflux for 6h. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure and the resultant residue was recrystallized from ethanol as orange crystals; yield (80%), m.p.:190-192°C, IR(KBr): ν_{max} (cm^{-1}): 3250 (NH), 3050 (CH aromatic), 1720 (C=O), 1620 (C=N); ^1H -NMR (DMSO- d_6): δ 6.61-7.70 (m, 8H, Ar-H), 10.35 (s, 1H, NH). EI-MS: m/z (%) = 279 (M^+ , 91.9). ^{13}C -NMR (DMSO- d_6): 75.62 (C8 spirothiazetoindole), 115.24-129.85 (ArH), 130.50 (C9), 135.64 (C1), 142.22 (C10), 161.87(C7), 166.35 (CO indole). Anal. Calcd. For: $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_9\text{N}_3\text{OS}$ (279.322): C, 64.50, H, 3.25, N, 15.04, S, 11.48. Found: C, 64.43, H, 3.22, N, 14.97, S, 11.52.

2.2. Synthesis of compounds 3a,b

A mixture of **1** (0.002 mol), *o*-phenylenediamine and/or *o*-aminophenol (0.002 mol) and triethylamine (1 mL) was refluxed in absolute ethanol (20 mL) for 6 h. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and the resultant solid was filtered, and recrystallized from a mixture of ethanol: water (2:1).

2.2.1. Spiro (2, 3-dihydrobenzimidazole-2, 3'-indoline)-2'-one (3a)

Obtained by reaction of isatin and *o*-phenylenediamine as yellow crystals in 80% yield; m.p.: 170-172°C, IR(KBr): ν_{\max} (cm⁻¹): 3260 (NH), 3050 (CH arom), 1710 (C=O); ¹H-NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ 6.00-7.75 (m, 8H, ArH), 9.60 (s, 2H, 2NH benzimidazole), 10.30 (s, 1H, NH indole). Anal. Calcd. For: C₁₄H₁₁N₃O (237.26): C, 70.87; H, 4.67; N, 17.71. Found: C, 71.05; H, 4.62; N, 17.73.

2.2.2. Spiro [benzoxazole-2, 3'-indoline]-2'-one (3b)

Obtained by reaction of isatin and *o*-aminophenol as orange crystals in 60% yield; m.p. 208-210°C; IR(KBr): ν_{\max} (cm⁻¹): 3250 (NH), 3050 (CH aromatic), 1710 (C=O); ¹H-NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ 6.90-7.75 (m, 8H, ArH), 9.70 (s, 1H, NH benzothiazole), 10.35 (s, 1H, NH indole). EI-MS: m/z (%) = 238 (M⁺, 100). Anal. Calcd. For: C₁₄H₁₀N₂O₂ (238.24): Anal. Calcd. For: C, 70.58; H, 4.23; N, 11.75. Found: C, 70.43; H, 4.25; N, 11.78.

2.3. Synthesis of compounds 4a,b

A mixture of **1** (0.002 mol), 2-aminobenzothiazole and/or 2-aminobenzimidazole (0.002 mol) and triethylamine (1 mL) was refluxed in absolute ethanol (20 mL) for 6h. The reaction mixture was evaporated under reduced pressure. The resultant solid was recrystallized from ethanol.

2.3.1 3-(1H-benzof[d]thiazol-2-ylimino)-1, 3-dihydroindolin-2-one (4a)

Red crystals; yield (72%); m.p.:218-220°C. IR(KBr): ν_{\max} (cm⁻¹): 3200 (NH), 3050 (CH aromatic), 1710 (C=O); 1620 (C=N); ¹H-NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ 6.61-7.70 (m, 8H, Ar-H), 10.35 (s, 1H, NH indole). Anal. Calcd. For C₁₅H₉N₃OS (279.32): C, 64.50; H, 3.24; N, 15.04, S, 11.47. Found: C, 64.44; H, 3.44; N, 15.22, S, 11.66.

2.3.2. 3-(1H-benzof[d]imidazol-2-ylimino)-1, 3-dihydroindolin-2-one (4b)

Orange crystals; yield (65%); m.p.: 188-190°C. IR(KBr): ν_{\max} (cm⁻¹): 3250 (NH), 3050 (CH aromatic), 1700 (C=O), 1620 (C=N); ¹H-NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ 6.61-7.70 (m, 8H, Ar-

H), 9.80 (s, 1H, NH benzimidazole), 10.35 (s, 1H, NH indole). Anal. Calcd. For C₁₅H₁₀N₄O (262.27): C, 68.69; H, 3.84; N, 21.36. Found: C, 68.71; H, 3.96; N, 21.15.

2.4. 3-Methyl-4-(2'-oxoindole-3-ylidene)-1-phenyl-pyrazol-5-one (5)

A mixture of 1 (0.002 mmol) and 3-methyl-1-phenyl-2-pyrazoline-5-one in absolute ethanol (20 mL) and TEA (1 mL) was heated under reflux for 6h. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and the resultant solid was collected by filtration, dried and recrystallized from ethanol as brown crystals; yield (90%), m.p. 158-160°C; IR(KBr): ν_{\max} (cm⁻¹): 3150 (NH), 3050 (CH aromatic), 1720 (CO indole), 1680 (C=O pyrazole), 1620 (C=N), 1600 (C=C); ¹H-NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ 2.30 (s, 3H, CH₃), 6.90-7.75 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 10.35 (s, 1H, NH indole). EI-MS: m/z (%) = 302 (M⁺-1, 46). Anal. Calcd. For: C₁₈H₁₃N₃O₂ (303.32): C, 71.27; H, 4.31; N, 13.85. Found: C, 71.20; H, 4.25; N, 13.96.

2.5. Synthesis of compounds 6a,b

A mixture of chalcone 5 (0.01 mol), *o*-aminophenol and/or *o*-phenylenediamine (0.01 mol) and few drops of piperidine was refluxed in ethanol (50 mL) for 4 h, then glacial acetic acid (10 mL) was added to the reaction mixture then heating was continued for further 2 h. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, left overnight and the resultant solid was filtered, dried and recrystallized from ethanol.

2.5.1. 3'-Methyl-2-oxo-1'-phenyl-1,2,10'-trihydro-1'H-spiroindole-3,4'-pyrazolo[4,5-c]benzo[b] oxazepine (6a)

Grey crystals, yield (68%); m.p. 136-138°C; IR(KBr): ν_{\max} (cm⁻¹): 3150 (NH), 3050 (CH aromatic), 1710 (C=O), 1620 (C=N), 1605 (C=C str). ¹H-NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ 2.30 (s, 3H, CH₃), 6.75-7.89 (m, 13H, Ar-H), 9.70 (s, 1H, NH oxazepine), 10.35 (s, 1H, NH indole). ¹³C-NMR (DMSO-d₆): 15.70 (CH₃ pyrazole), 74.20 (C4), 116.05-129.80 (ArH), 135.95 (C5), 139.50 (C19 aromatic), 140.15 (C6), 142 (C13), 144.80 (C2), 145.50 (C11), 162.40 (C3), 167.60 (CO). EI-MS: m/z (%) = 394 (M⁺, 24). Anal. Calcd. For: C₂₄H₁₈N₄O₂ (394.43): C, 73.08; H, 4.59; N, 14.20. Found: C, 73.12; H, 4.58; N, 14.35.

2.5.2. 3'-Methyl-2-oxo-1'-phenyl-1,2,10'-trihydro-1'H-spiroindole-3,4'-pyrazolo[4,5-c]benzo [b] diazepine (6b)

Brown crystals, yield (75%); m.p.: 226-228°C; IR(KBr): ν_{\max} (cm⁻¹): 3150 (NH), 3050 (CH aromatic), 1720 (C=O), 1620 (C=N), 1595 (C=C str). ¹H-NMR (DMSO-d₆): 2.35 (s, 3H, CH₃), 6.70- 7.75 (m, 13H, Ar-H), 9.60 (s, 2H, 2NH diazepine), 10.20 (s, 1H, NH indole). Anal. Calcd. For: C₂₄H₁₉N₅O₂ (409.44), C, 70.40; H, 4.67; N, 17.10. Found: C, 70.52; H, 4.88; N, 17.20.

2.6. Synthesis of spiropyrazolo [5,4-d] pyrimidine derivatives 7a,b.

A mixture of chalcone **5** (0.01 mol), urea and/or thiourea (0.01 mole) was refluxed in ethanol (50 mL) for 6 h. Then the product was precipitated, collected by filtration, dried, and recrystallized from ethanol.

2.6.1. 5'-Methyl-2-oxo-7'-phenyl-1,2,1',2',3'-pentahydro-7'H-spiroindole-3,4'-pyrazolo [5,4-d] pyrimidine-2'-one (7a)

Black crystals, yield (82%); m.p.: 240-242°C; IR(KBr): ν_{\max} (cm⁻¹): 3150 (NH), 3030 (CH aromatic), 1720 (C=O indole), 1680 (C=O pyrimidine), 1600 (C=C str). ¹H-NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ 2.30 (s, 3H, CH₃), 6.90-7.81 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 9.70, 9.85 (2s, 2H, 2NH pyrimidine), 10.30 (s, 1H, NH indole); Anal. Calcd. For: C₁₉H₁₅N₅O₂ (345.36) C, 66.07; H, 4.37; N, 20.27. Found: C, 66.22; H, 4.52; N, 20.12.

2.6.2. 5'-Methyl-2-oxo-7'-phenyl-1,2,1',2',3'-pentahydro-7'H-spiroindole-3,4'-pyrazolo [5,4-d]pyrimidine-2'-thione (7b)

Black crystals, yield (80%); m.p.: 182-184°C; IR(KBr): ν_{\max} (cm⁻¹): 3150 (NH), 3030 (CH aromatic), 1710 (C=O), 1600 (C=C str). ¹H-NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ 2.30 (s, 3H, CH₃), 6.61-7.70 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 9.60, 9.80 (2s, 2H, 2NH pyrimidine), 10.35 (s, 1H, NH indole). Anal. Calcd. For: C₁₉H₁₅N₅OS (367.42), C, 63.14; H, 4.18; N, 19.37; S, 8.87. Found: C, 63.15; H, 4.22; N, 19.55; S, 8.90.

2.7. Synthesis of spiropyrazolo [3,4-c] pyrazole derivatives 8a.e

The chalcone **5** (0.001 mol) and an excess of the appropriate hydrazine (1 mmol) was refluxed for 2 h in ethanol (20 mL). The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residual product recrystallized from ethanol.

2.7.2. 3'-Methyl-2-oxo-1'-phenyl-1,2,5',6'-tetrahydro-1'H-spiroindole-3,4'-pyrazolo [3,4-c] pyrazol-2-one (8a)

Obtained as black crystals by the reaction of chalcone **5** and hydrazine hydrate in 88% yield; m.p.: 108-110°C; IR(KBr) ν_{\max} (cm⁻¹): 3150 (NH), 3050 (CH aromatic), 1710 (C=O), 1620 (C=N), 1595 (C=C str). ¹H-NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ 2.30 (s, 3H, CH₃), 6.61-7.70 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 9.70, 9.85 (2s, 2H, 2NH pyrazole), 10.35 (s, 1H, NH indole). Anal. Calcd. For: C₁₈H₁₅N₅O (317.35), C, 68.12; H, 4.76; N, 22.06. Found: C, 68.30; H, 4.88; N, 22.23.

2.7.3. *3`-Methyl-2-oxo-1`-6`-diphenyl-1,2,5`,6`-tetrahydro-1`H-spiroindole-3,4` pyrazolo [3,4-c]pyrazol-2-one (8b)*

Obtained by the reaction with phenylhydrazine as yellow crystals in 90% yield; m.p.:164-166°C; IR(KBr): ν_{\max} (cm⁻¹): 3150 (NH), 3050 (CH aromatic), 1710 (C=O), 1620 (C=N), 1600 (C=C str). ¹H-NMR (DMSO-d₆) δ : 2.30 (s, 3H, CH₃), 6.65- 7.70 (m, 14H, ArH), 9.65 (s, 1H, NH pyrazole), 10.35 (s, 1H, NH indole). Anal.Calcd. For: C₂₄H₁₉N₅O (393.45), C, 73.26; H, 4.86; N, 22.06. Found: C, 73.20; H, 4.80; N, 22.16.

2.7.3. *6`-(m-Bromophenyl)-3`-methyl-2-oxo-1`-phenyl-1,2,5`,6`-tetrahydro-1`H-spiroindole- 3,4`-pyrazolo [3,4-c]pyrazol-2-one (8c)*

Obtained by the reaction with *m*-bromophenylhydrazine as yellow crystals in 82% yield, m.p.: 216-218°C dec.; IR(KBr): ν_{\max} (cm⁻¹): 3200 (NH), 3050 (CH aromatic), 1720 (C=O), 1620 (C=N), 1600 (C=C str). ¹H-NMR (DMSO- d₆) δ : 3.00 (s, 3H, CH₃), 6.60-7.51 (m, 13H, ArH), 9.90 (s, 1H, NH pyrazole), 10.35 (s, 1H, NH indole). Anal, Calcd. For: C₂₄H₁₈BrN₅O (471.48), C, 61.14; H, 3.84; Br, 16.76; N, 14.85. Found: C, 61.22; H, 3.82; Br, 16.70; N, 14.89.

2.7.4. *6`-(m-Nitrophenyl)-3`-methyl-2-oxo-1`-phenyl-1,2,5`,6`-tetrahydro-1`H-spiroindole-3,4`-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyrazol-2-one (8d)*

Obtained by the reaction with *m*-nitrophenylhydrazine as brown crystals in(60%)yield; m.p.:215-217°C; IR(KBr): ν_{\max} (cm⁻¹): 3250 (NH), 3050 (CH aromatic), 1720 (C=O), 1620 (C=N), 1600 (C=C str). ¹H-NMR (DMSO-d₆) δ : 2.30 (s, 3H, CH₃), 6.80- 7.80 (m, 13H, ArH), 9.80 (s, 1H, NH pyrazole), 10.35 (s, 2H, 2NH). Anal.Calcd. For: C₂₄H₁₈N₆O₃ (438.44), C, 65.74; H, 4.13; N, 19.16. Found: C, 65.88; H, 4.20, N, 19.20.

2.7.5. *6`-(m-Anisyl)-3`-methyl-2-oxo-1`-phenyl-1,2,5`,6`-tetrahydro-1`H-spiroindole-3,4`-pyrazolo [3,4-c]pyrazol-2-one (8e)*

Obtained by the reaction with *m*-methoxyphenylhydrazine as pale yellow crystals in (88%) yield; m.p.:174-176°C; IR(KBr) ν_{\max} (cm⁻¹): 3200 (NH), 3050 (CH aromatic), 1715 (C=O), 1620 (C=N), 1595 (C=C str). ¹H-NMR (DMSO-d₆) δ : 2.50 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.2 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 6.90-7.95 (m, 13H, ArH), 11.61 (s, 2H, 2NH). Anal. Calcd. For: C₂₅H₂₁N₅O₂ (423.47), C, 70.980; H, 4.99; N, 16.53. Found: C, 70.88; H, 4.80; N, 16.70.

2.8. Synthesis of spiroindolopyrano[2,3- c]pyrazole derivatives

A mixture of chalcone **5** (0.01 mol) and the appropriate active methylene compound (0.01 mol) in absolute ethanol (20 mL) in the presence of triethylamine (1 mL) was refluxed for

6h. The precipitated product was collected by filtration, dried, and recrystallized from ethanol.

2.8.1. *5'-Acetyl-3',6'-dimethyl-2-oxo-1'-phenyl-1,2-dihydro-1'H-spiroindole-3,4'-pyrano [2,3-c] pyrazole (9)*

Obtained as black crystals by the reaction with acetyl acetone in 68% yield; m.p. 252-254°C; IR(KBr): ν_{\max} (cm⁻¹): 3360 (NH), 3050 (CH aromatic), 1710 (CO, COCH₃), 1650 (C=O amidic), 1620 (C=N), 1590 (C=C str). ¹H-NMR (DMSO-d₆) δ : 2.50 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.30 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.70 (s, 3H, CH₃), 6.60-7.90 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 11.35 (s, 1H, NH). Anal. Calcd. For: C₂₅H₂₁N₅O₂ (385.42), C, 71.67; H, 4.96; N, 10.90. Found: C, 71.53; H, 5.02; N, 10.88.

2.8.2. *Ethyl-6'-amino-3'-methyl-2-oxo-1,2-dihydro-1'H-spiroindole-3,4'-pyrano[2,3-c] pyrazole-5'-carboxylate (10)*

Obtained by the reaction with ethylcyanoacetate as brown crystals in (92%) yield; m.p.: 208-210°C, IR(KBr): ν_{\max} (cm⁻¹): 3350, 3300 (NH₂), 3200 (NH), 3050 (CH aromatic), 1720 (CO ester), 1700 (C=O indole), 1620 (C=N), 1600 (C=C str). ¹H-NMR (DMSO-d₆) δ : 1.10-1.30 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 2.30 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.10-4.30 (q, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H, OCH₂), 4.75 (s, 2H, NH₂), 6.80-7.60 (m, 9H, ArH), 9.45 (s, 1H, NH). EI-MS: *m/z* (%) = 416 (M⁺, 14.6). Anal. Calcd. For: C₂₃H₂₀N₄O₄ (416.43), C, 66.33; H, 4.84; N, 13.45. Found: C, 66.23; H, 5.02; N, 13.30.

2.8.3. *3-Dicyanomethyl-3-(3'-methyl-5'-oxo-1'-phenyl-2-pyrazolin-4-yl)indole-2-one (11)*

Obtained as dark brown crystals by the reaction with malononitrile in 90% yield, m.p.: 228-230°C dec.; IR(KBr): ν_{\max} (cm⁻¹): 3300 (NH), 3050 (CH aromatic), 2200 (CN), 1710 (CO indole), 1680 (C=O pyrazole), 1620 (C=N). ¹H-NMR (DMSO-d₆) δ : 1.30 (s, 1H, CH), 1.60 (s, 1H, CH), 2.30 (s, 3H, CH₃), 6.80-7.60 (m, 9H, ArH), 9.45 (s, 1H, NH). EI-MS: *m/z* (%) = 369 (M⁺, 1.40). Anal. Calcd. For: C₂₁H₁₅N₅O₂ (369.38), C, 68.28; H, 4.09; N, 18.95. Found: C, 68.12; H, 4.23; N, 19.02.

2.8.4. *6'-Amino-5'-cyano-3'-methyl-1'-phenyl-1,2-dihydro-1'H-spiroindole-3,4'-pyrano [2,3-c] pyrazole (13)*

A mixture of 2-(2-oxo-1,2-dihydroindol-3-ylidene)malononitrile (12) (0.01 mol) and 3-methyl-1-phenyl-2-pyrazoline-5-one (0.01 mol) in absolute ethanol (20 mL) in the presence of triethylamine (1 mL) was refluxed for 3h. The precipitated product was collected by filtration, dried, and recrystallized from ethanol as colorless crystals, yield (95%); m.p.: 254-256°C; IR(KBr): ν_{\max} (cm⁻¹): 3350, 32300 (NH₂), 3200 (NH), 3050 (CH aromatic), 2200 (CN), 1700 (C=O), 1620 (C=N), 1600 (C=C str); ¹H-NMR (DMSO-d₆) δ : 2.50 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.75 (s, 2H, NH₂), 6.55-7.75 (m, 9H, ArH), 9.45 (s, 1H, NH). ¹³C-

NMR (DMSO- d_6): 15.46 (CH₃ pyrazole), 55.60 (C4), 65.80 (C5), 115.20 (CN), 119.60-129.46 (ArH), 135.28 (C14), 145.62 (C3), 164.24 (C6), 168.40 (CO). EI-MS: m/z (%) = 369 (M⁺, 100). Anal. Calcd. For: C₂₁H₁₅N₅O₂ (369.38), C, 68, 28; H, 4.09; N, 18.95. Found: C, 68.12; H, 4.23; N, 19.02.

2.9. Synthesis of spirothiazolidineindoline 14a,b

A mixture of **4a** or **4b** (0.01 mol), thioglycolic acid (0.01 mL) and 30 mL THF was heated under reflux for 4h in presence of anhydrous ZnCl₂. The reaction mixture was cooled and filtered. The filtrate was evaporated under reduced pressure. The residual solid product was recrystallized from ethanol.

2.9.1. 3'-(1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)-4H'-spiro[indole-3,2'-[1, 3]thiazolidine-2,4'(1H)-dione (14a)

Brown plates; yield 60%, m.p.: 258-260°C (dec.); IR(KBr) ν (cm⁻¹): 3200 (NH), 3050 (CH aromatic), 1720(CO indole), 1680 (C=O thiazole), 1600 (C=C str); ¹H-NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ : 4.30 (s, 2H, CH₂), 6.65-7.80 (m, 8H, ArH), 10.35 (s, 1H, NH). Anal. Calcd. For: C₁₇H₁₁N₃O₂S₂ (353.42), C, 57.77; H, 3.13; N, 11.88; S, 18.14. Found: C, 57.66; H, 3.12, N, 11.92; S, 18.20.

2.9.2. 3'-(1,3-benzimidazole-2-yl)-4H'-spiro[indole-3,2'-[1, 3]thiazolidine-2,4'(1H)-dione (14b)

Black Crystals; yield 65%, m.p.: 218-220°C, IR(KBr): ν_{\max} (cm⁻¹): 3300 (NH), 3050 (CH aromatic), 1720 (CO indole), 1680 (C=O thiazole). ¹H-NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ : 4.30 (s, 2H, CH₂), 6.60-7.75 (m, 8H, ArH), 10.30 (s, 1H, NH indole), 11.35 (s, 1H, NH benzimidazole). Anal. Calcd. For: C₁₇H₁₂N₄O₂S (336.37), C, 60.70; H, 3.59; N, 16.65; S, 9.53. Found: C, 60.65, H, 3.72; N, 16.45; S, 9.60.

2.10. 3-Methyl-1-phenyldispiro (2-pyrazolin-4, 3'-oxirane-2',3''-indoline)-5,2''-dione (15)

Method A: The chalcone **5** (0.004 mol) was suspended in acetonitrile (25 mL), and aqueous hydrogen peroxide solution (30%, 10 mL) was added to the stirred suspension followed by aqueous sodium hydroxide solution (10%, 1-3 mL), As soon as the color of the original chalcone disappeared, the reaction mixture was filtered. The resulting filtrate was diluted with water and neutralized with oxalic acid (5%) to give a yellow precipitate which was collected by filtration. The resulting solid precipitate was recrystallized from ethanol in 40% yield and the m.p. was 220-222°C.

Method B: A solution of Mg monoperoxy phthalic acid hexahydrate (4 eq.) and the chalcone **5** in absolute methanol (4 mL/mmol) was stirred for 4 h. The resulting mixture was filtered and concentrated. The residue was triturated with water to give a yellow precipitate which was collected, dried and recrystallized from ethanol in yield 81% and

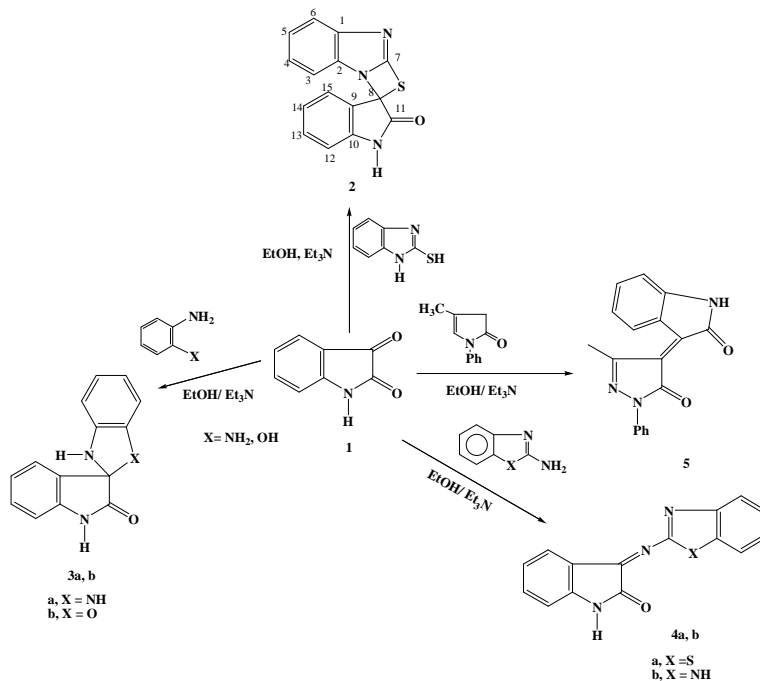
m.p. was 220-222°C; IR(KBr): ν_{\max} (cm⁻¹): 3300 (NH), 3050 (CH aromatic), 1720 (C=O indole), 1680 (C=O pyrazole), 1620 (C=N), 1110 (C-O), 900 (epoxide ring); ¹H-NMR (DMSO-d₆) δ : 2.50 (s, 3H, CH₃), 6.65 -7.75 (m, 9H, ArH), 10.35 (s, 1H, NH). EI-MS: m/z (%) = 319 (M⁺, 56). Anal. Calcd. For: C₁₈H₁₃N₃O₂ (319.31) C, 67.70; H, 4.10; N, 13.15. Found: C, 67.72; H, 4.05; N, 13.22.

3. Results and Discussions

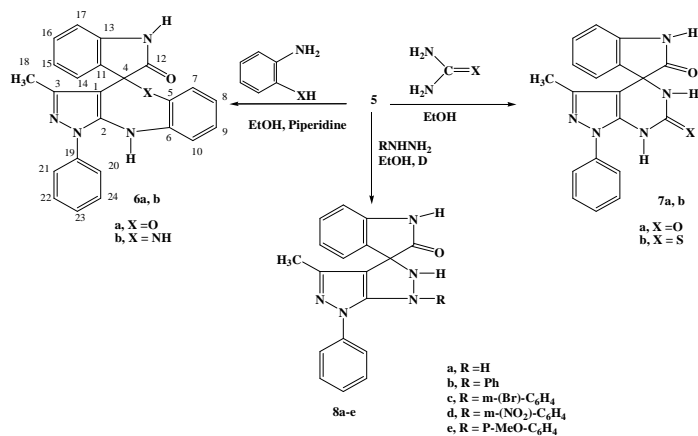
Refluxing of isatin with 2-mercaptobenzimidazole in ethanol and in presence of triethylamine as a basic catalyst furnished the new spiroindolethiazetobenzimidazole derivative **2**. The chemical structure of thiazeto derivative **2** was established by elemental and spectral analyses. IR spectrum showed absorption band at 1720 cm⁻¹ characteristic for one carbonyl group of isatin and at 3250 cm⁻¹ for NH group. ¹H-NMR showed multiplet signals centered at 6.61-7.70 characteristic for aromatic protons. Mass spectrum showed a molecular ion peak at m/z 279 with high intensity. Also, isatin was refluxed with *o*-phenylenediamine as well as with 2-aminophenol in ethanol and in presence of TEA to give spirobenzimidazoleindoline **3a** and benzoxazoleindoline **3b** derivatives respectively. The structures of the latter compounds were elucidated using IR, ¹H-NMR and mass spectrometric analyses which were in full agreement with the suggested structures. Mass spectrum showed a molecular ion peak at 238 as a base peak. Condensation of compound **1** with 2-aminobenzothiazole or 2-aminobenzimidazole was carried out in ethanol and triethylamine as a basic catalyst to give the corresponding Schiff's bases **4a** and **4b** respectively. Isatin reacted with 3-methyl-1-phenyl-2-pyrazoline-5-one in ethanol and triethylamine to give the corresponding chalcone **5**. The chemical structure of chalcone **5** was confirmed by TLC, IR, ¹H-NMR and mass spectra. IR spectrum showed two absorptions at 1720 cm⁻¹, characteristic for carbonyl group of indole moiety, 1680 cm⁻¹ characteristic for carbonyl group of pyrazolone moiety. ¹H-NMR spectrum showed singlet signals at δ 2.30 and 10.35 ppm for CH₃ group of pyrazole, NH group of isatin respectively (Scheme 1). Compound **5** was subjected to extensive study through the reaction with nitrogen nucleophiles. Reaction of compound **5** with 2-aminophenol, *o*-phenylenediamine, gave the new spiro indole pyrazolo benzoxazepine **6a** and spiro indole pyrazolo benzodiazepine **6b** respectively.

The chemical structure of compound **6a** was elucidated on the basis of elemental and spectral analyses. IR spectrum of **6a** showed absorption bands at 3150 cm⁻¹ for NH and at 1710 and 1605 cm⁻¹ for CO group of indole and C=C of pyrazole respectively. ¹H-NMR spectrum showed singlet signal at δ 2.30 for CH₃ of pyrazole moiety and singlet at 9.60, 10.35 characteristic for NH groups of oxazepine and indole respectively. Mass spectrum of **6a** showed a molecular ion peak at 394. While reaction of chalcone **5** with urea, thiourea, hydrazine, phenylhydrazine, *m*-bromophenyl hydrazine, *m*-nitrophenyl hydrazine and *p*-methoxy phenylhydrazine in ethanol afforded spiro indole pyrazolopyrimidines **7a,b** and spiro pyrazolopyrazoles **8a-e** respectively (Scheme 2). It was found that the percentage of yield of products **8a-e** depended on the nucleophilicity of substituent on the pyrazole ring. Where, the weak nucleophilic group decreases the percentage of yield according to its intensity as in **8c** and **8d** while the strong nucleophilic

group increases the percentage of yield. But in case of *p*-methyl phenylhydrazine as strong nucleophile which contain electron releasing (OCH_3) group, the yield doesn't increase (may be) due to steric interaction of OCH_3 group with the spiroindolopyrazole nucleus.

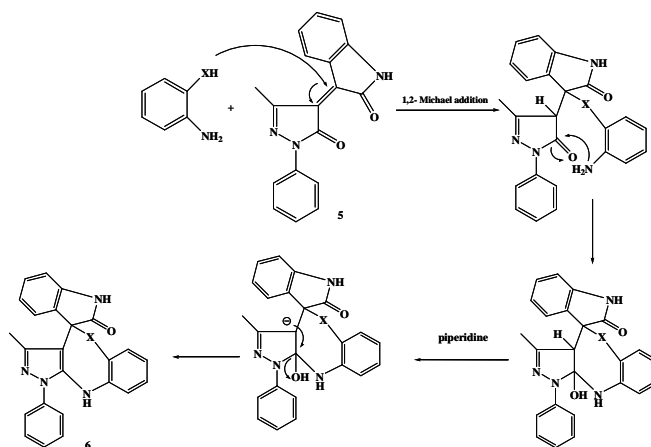


Scheme 1. Synthesis of spiroindolethiazetobenzimidazole **2**, spirobenzimidazole(oxazole)indoline **3a, b** benzothiazol(imidazol)iminoindolinone **4a, b** and methyloxindolylydene 1 pyrazolone **5**



Scheme 2. Synthesis of spirooxazepine, diazepine, spiroprazolopyrimidine and spiroprazolopyrazole.

The suggested mechanism for the formation of compounds **6a,b** was described as 1, 2-Michael addition of nucleophilic OH or NH₂ group in o-aminophenol or o-phenylene diamine to the C=C bond of α,β -unsaturated carbonyl of pyrazolone followed by cyclization through nucleophilic addition of NH₂ to the carbonyl group of pyrazolone and elimination of water molecule to form the oxazepine (diazepine) compounds **6a,b** as shown in the following scheme.

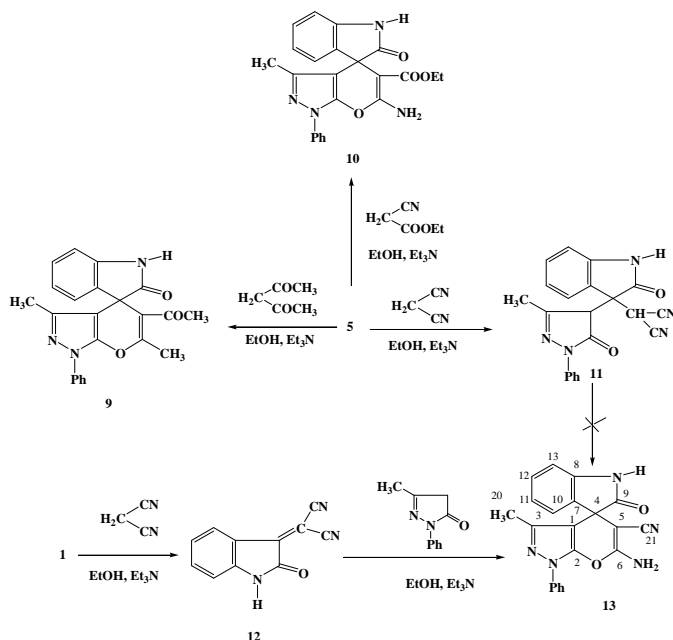


Scheme 3. The suggested reaction mechanism for formation of spirooxazepine **6a** and diazepine **6b**.

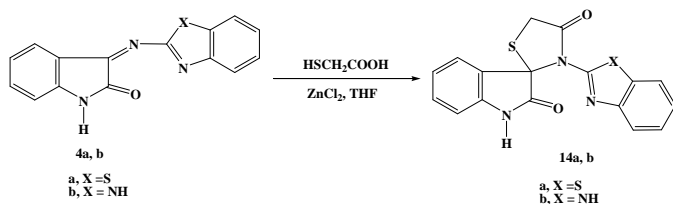
On the other hand, 3-methyl-4-(2'-oxoindole-3-ylidene)-1-phenyl-pyrazol-5-one compound (**5**) reacted with acetylacetone as well as ethyl cyanoacetate as active methylene derivatives in ethanol and in presence of triethylamine to give the new acetylspiroindolepyranopyrazole **9** and amino spiroindolepyranopyrazole acetic acid ethyl ester **10** in quantitative yield. Compound **5** was treated with malononitrile in ethanol and in presence of triethylamine to give 3-indolone derivative **11** not the aminospiroindolepyranopyrazole carbonitrile derivative **13** which was clearly shown by IR spectroscopy. Further investigation was done through treatment of isatin with malononitrile to give the 3-dicyanomethylene derivative **12** which reacted with 3-methyl-1-phenyl-2-pyrazoline-5-one in ethanol and triethylamine to furnish the cyclic spiro derivative **13** in quantitative yield (Scheme 4). The structure of compound **13** was established by spectral analysis. IR spectrum showed absorption bands at 3350, 3300 and 3200 cm⁻¹ for NH₂, NH groups and absorption band at 2200 cm⁻¹ for CN group. ¹H-NMR showed singlet signal at δ 4.75 for NH₂ group and singlet signal at δ 9.45 for NH group. Mass spectrum of compound **13** showed a molecular ion peak at 369 as a base peak.

Alternative route to synthesize spiro-indoline thiazolidinones **14a,b** was carried out through the reaction of Schiff's bases **4a,b** with thioglycolic acid (Scheme 5). IR spectrum of compound **14a** showed two absorption bands at 1720 cm⁻¹ characteristic for carbonyl group of indole moiety and 1680 cm⁻¹ characteristic for carbonyl group of thiazolidine

moiety. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ showed two singlet signals at δ 4.30 for CH_2 group of thiazolidine ring and at δ 10.35 for NH group.

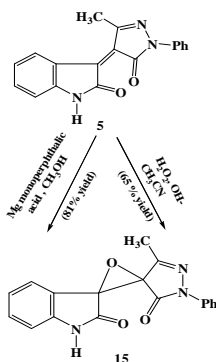


Scheme 4. Synthesis of spiroindolopyranopyrazole derivatives.



Scheme 5. Synthesis of spirothiazolidineindoline derivatives.

Epoxidation of compound **5** with hydrogen peroxide as well as monoperoxy phthalic acid magnesium salt hexahydrate gives the new epoxide derivative **15**. Compound **15** which was synthesized by two routes are identical in all aspects (Scheme 6). The chemical structure of compound **15** was proved by elemental and spectral data. IR spectrum showed absorption bands at 1720 cm^{-1} characteristic for carbonyl group of indole moiety, 1680 cm^{-1} characteristic for pyrazole moiety and absorption band at 1110 cm^{-1} for C-O of epoxide ring. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ spectrum showed multiplet signals at 6.65-7.75 for aromatic protons and singlet signal at 10.35 for NH group. Mass spectrum showed a molecular ion peak at 319.



Scheme 6. Synthesis of 3-Methyl-1-phenyldispiro(2-pyrazolin-4, 3'-oxirane-2', 3''-indoline)-5,2''-dione

4. Conclusion

The reactions discussed in this paper describe a simple facile synthetic procedure to prepare new spiroheterocyclic derivatives of diazapines, oxazepines and Spirothiazolidinone, which might have important biological applications.

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