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Exploration of Cytotoxic and Microtubule Disruption Potential of Novel Imidazo[1,5-a]pyridine based Chalcones

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Experimental Procedure:

I. General procedure for the synthesis of substituted *N*-(2-pyridylmethyl) benzamides (3a-e): To a stirred solution of 2-pyridylmethanamine 1 (1 mmol) in dry THF was added trimethylamine (3.0 mmol) followed by substituted benzoyl chlorides (2a-e, 1.1 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 3 hours and was monitored by TLC. After the completion of the reaction, THF was removed under vacuum to get the crude products which were further purified by column chromatography using ethyl acetate and hexane as solvent system to obtain the pure compounds (3a-e).

II. General procedure for the synthesis of substituted phenylimidazo[1,5-*a*]pyridine (4a– e):To substituted *N*-(2-pyridylmethyl) benzamides (**3a-e**) (1 mmol), 4 mL of POCl₃was added and refluxed for 3 hours. This was poured into cold water and neutralized with NaHCO₃ solution. This water layer was extracted three times with ethyl acetate. The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and evaporated under a vacuum. Thus, the residue obtained was purified by column chromatography using ethyl acetate and hexane as solvent systems to afford the pure compounds (**4a-e**).

III. General procedure for the synthesis of 3-(substituted phenyl)-imidazo[1,5-*a*]pyridine-1-carbaldehydes (5a-e) :³⁷

To an ice-water cooled solution of substituted phenyl imidazo[1,5-*a*]pyridines(**4a-e**) (1 mmol) in DMF(1.4 mmol) was added dropwise POCl₃(1.4 mmol) with stirring, and then the reaction mixture was heated to100 °C for 2 hours. After the completion of the reaction, the reaction mixture was poured into ice water and quenched with an ammonium hydroxide solution. The aqueous solution was extracted with ethyl acetate and the resultant organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and evaporated under a vacuum. Thus, the residue obtained was purified by column chromatography using ethyl acetate and hexane as solvent systems to afford pure compounds (**5a-e**).



Figure S1.¹H NMR spectrum of 7a (400 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S2.¹³C NMR spectrum of 7a (100 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S3. HRMS spectrum of 7a



Figure S4. ¹H NMR spectrum of 7b (400 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S5.¹³C NMR spectrum of 7b (100 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S6. HRMS spectrum of 7b



Figure S7.¹H NMR spectrum of 7c (400 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S8.¹³C NMR spectrum of 7c (100 MHz, CDCl₃).



FigureS9. HRMS spectrum of 7c



Figure S10.¹H NMR spectrum of 7d (400 MHz, CDCl₃).





Figure S11.¹³C NMR spectrum of 7d (100 MHz, CDCl₃).

Figure S12. HRMS spectrum of 7d



Figure S13.¹H NMR spectrum of 7e (400 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S14.¹³C NMR spectrum of 7e (100 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S15. HRMS spectrum of 7e



Figure S16. ¹H NMR spectrum of 7f(400 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S17.¹³C NMR spectrum of 7f (100 MHz, CDCl₃



Figure S18. HRMS spectrum of 7f



Figure S19.¹H NMR spectrum of 7g (500 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S20.¹³C NMR spectrum of 7g (100 MHz, CDCl₃)



FigureS21. HRMS spectrum of 7g



Figure S22.¹H NMR spectrum of 7h (400 MHz, CDCl₃)



Figure S23.¹³C NMR spectrum of 7h (100 MHz, CDCl₃)



Figure S24. HRMS spectrum of 7h



Figure S25. ¹H NMR spectrum of 7i (400 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S26. ¹³C NMR spectrum of 7i (100 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S27. HRMS spectrum of 7i



Figure S28. ¹H NMR spectrum of 7j (400 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S29. ¹³C NMR spectrum of 7j (100 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S30. HRMS spectrum of 7j



Figure S31.¹HNMR spectrum of 7k (400 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S32.¹³C NMR spectrum of 7k (100 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S33. HRMS spectrum of 7k



Figure S34.¹H NMR spectrum of 7l (400 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S35.¹³C NMR spectrum of 7l (100 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S36. HRMS spectrum of 71



Figure S37. ¹H NMR spectrum of 7m (500 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S38. ¹³C NMR spectrum of 7m (100 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S39. HRMS spectrum of 7m



Figure S40. ¹H NMR spectrum of 7n (500 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S41. ¹³C NMR spectrum of 7n (100 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S42. HRMS spectrum of 7n



Figure S43. HPLC of 7n (WVL: 400 nm).



Figure S44. ¹H NMR spectrum of 70 (500 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S45. ¹³C NMR spectrum of 70 (100 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S46. HRMS spectrum of 70



Figure S47. HPLC of 70 (WVL: 400 nm).



Figure S48. ¹H NMR spectrum of 7p (400 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S49. ¹³C NMR spectrum of 7p (100 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S50. HRMS spectrum of 7p



Figure S51. ¹H NMR spectrum of 7q (400 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S52. ¹³C NMR spectrum of 7q (100 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S53. HRMS spectrum of 7q



Figure S54. ¹H NMR spectrum of 7r (400 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S55. ¹³C NMR spectrum of 7r (100 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S56. HRMS spectrum of 7r



Figure S57.¹H NMR spectrum of 7s (400 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S58.¹³C NMR spectrum of 7s (100 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S59. HRMS spectrum of 7s



Figure S60.¹H NMR spectrum of 7t (400 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure S61.¹³C NMR spectrum of 7t (100 MHz, CDCl₃).



Figure 62. HRMS spectrum of 7t