

## Synthesis and Spectroscopic Properties of 2,3-Diphenyl-1,3-thiaza-4-one Heterocycles

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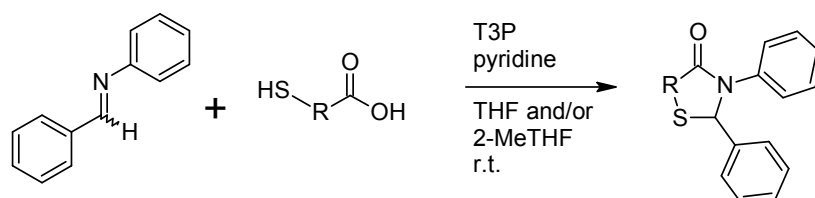
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### Abstract

Synthetic and spectroscopic data (<sup>1</sup>H NMR, <sup>13</sup>C NMR, IR, UV/Vis) for a series of six 2,3-diphenyl-1,3-thiaza-4-one heterocycles which differ in ring size and substitution is reported. The results show that there are significant differences in spectroscopic signals common to all six compounds. Distinctions can be made among the compounds using the IR absorbance of the C4 carbonyl and the <sup>1</sup>H NMR signal at C2, and to a lesser extent the <sup>13</sup>C NMR signal at C4 and the UV/Vis spectrum.



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### 1. Introduction

The five-, six-, and seven-membered 1,3-thiaza-4-one heterocycles (Figure 1) are known for their bioactivity. The five-membered 1,3-thiazolidin-4-ones are known to have a broad array of biological activity (Jain, Vaidya, Ravichandran, Kashaw & Agrawal, 2012, Abhinit, Ghodke & Pratima, 2009, Hamama, Ismail, Shaaban & Zoorob, 2008, Singh, Parmar, Raman & Stenberg, 1981, Brown, 1961, Tripathi et al., 2014, Prabhakar, Solomon, Gupta & Katti, 2006). Compounds in this family include active pharmaceuticals thiazolidomycin (anti-streptomyces species), pioglitazone (hypoglycemic for treatment of diabetes), etoziline (anti-hypertensive), and ralitoline (anti-convulsant) (Brown, 1961, Tripathi et al., 2014). The six-membered 1,3-thiazin-4-ones have also often been investigated for their biological activity (Ryabukhin, Korzhavina & Suzdalez, 1996) and include the anti-anxiety and muscle relaxant drugs chlormezanone (Ryabukhin et al., 1996, Tanaka & Hirayani, 2005, Surrey, Webb & Gesler, 1958) and dichlormezanone (Surrey, et al., 1958). The activity of the seven-membered 1,3-thiazepan-4-ones is exemplified by the investigational compound omapatrilat, an ACE/NEP inhibitor that was to be for treatment of high blood pressure (Graul, Leeson & Castañer, 1999, Tabrizchi, 2001, Robl et al., 1997).

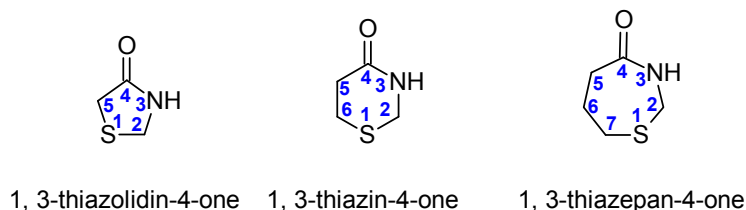


Figure 1. 1,3-Thiaza-4-one heterocycles

2,3-Diaryl-1,3-thiazolidin-4-ones can be readily prepared by condensation of a *C*-aryl-*N*-aryl imine with thioglycolic acid **1** (Figure 2) (Jain et al., 2012, Tierney, 1989, Surrey, 1947). Notably, Tierney (1989) has reported that the condensation, in particular the amide bond formation, is slower than when an alkyl group is on the nitrogen.

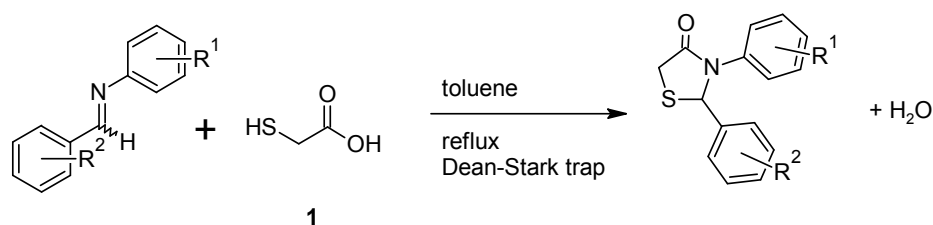
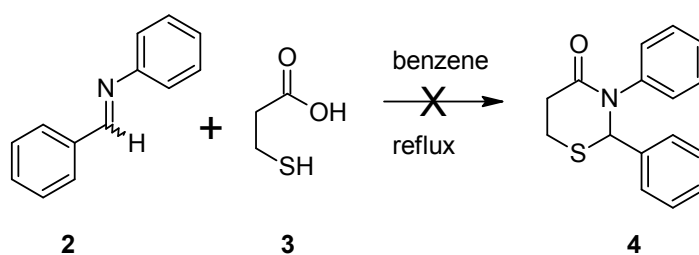
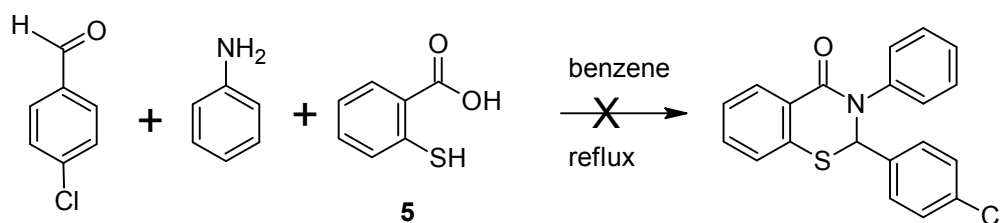


Figure 2. Synthesis of 2,3-diaryl-1,3-thiazolidin-4-ones (Jain et al., 2012, Tierney, 1989, Surrey, 1947).

Preparation of the six-membered 1,3-thiazin-4-ones by this method is generally slower than the five-membered rings. Thus, while *N*-alkyl-1,3-thiazin-4-ones can be prepared readily by condensation, the *N*-aryl analogues have proven more elusive. Although Surrey et al. (1958) have reported that condensation of *N*-benzylideneaniline **2** with thioglycolic acid **1** could be accomplished, the reaction of **2** with 3-mercaptopropionic acid **3** was reported as “unsuccessful” (Figure 3). Loev (1963) has reported that reaction of an *N*-phenyl imine with thiosalicylic acid **5** “failed” (Figure 4), while an *N*-methyl imine succeeded.

Figure 3. “Unsuccessful” preparation of 2,3-diphenyl-2,3,5,6-tetrahydro-4*H*-1,3-thiazin-4-one **4** reported by Surrey et al. (1958).Figure 4. “Failed” preparation of 3-phenyl-2-(*p*-Cl-phenyl)-2,3-dihydro-4*H*-1,3-benzothiazin-4-one reported by Loev (1963).

When we started this study, a small number of *N*-aryl-2,3-dihydro-4*H*-1,3-thiazin-4-ones had been successfully prepared by this approach under a limited number of conditions (Yi et al., 2012, Rajopadhye & Popp, 1985, Ottenheijm, Vermeulen & Breuer, 1974, Ottenheijm, Hulshof & Nivard, 1975, Mogiliah, Reddy & Rao, 1999, Metwally, 2013, Joshi, Jain & Nishith, 1991, Joshi, Dandia & Ahmed, 1986, Dandia, Singh, Merienne, Morgant & Loupy, 2003, Dandia, Singh & Arya, 2004, Dandia, Sharma & Saha, 1998, Dandia, Saha & Taneja 1998, Dandia, Saha & Shivpuri, 1997, Dandia, Saha & Rani, 1998, Choi et al., 2008, Chen et al., 2012, Arya, Rawat &

Sasai, 2012, *Green Chem.*, Arya, Rawat & Sasai, 2012, *J. Fluorine Chem.*, Zarghi, Zebardast, Daraie & Hedyati, 2009, Zhou et al., 2008, Srivastava, Haq & Katti, 2002, Kamel et al., 2010, Dandia, Arya, Sati & Gautam, 2004, Aissaoui et al., 2012). Some more have been reported since (Qu et al., 2013, Dandia, Singh & Saini, 2013, Arya, Tomar & Singh, 2014, Kitsiou, Unsworth, Coulthard & Taylor, 2014). No synthesis of *N*-aryl-1,3-thiazepan-4-ones by a condensation of an imine with a thioacid has been reported.

We have recently communicated syntheses and crystal structures of a number of 6- and 7-membered 2,3-diphenyl-1,3-thiaza-4-ones (Yennawar & Silverberg, 2013, Yennawar & Silverberg, 2014, Yennawar, Bendinsky, Coyle, Cali & Silverberg, 2014, Yennawar, Singh & Silverberg, 2014, Yennawar, Singh & Silverberg, 2015). In this article, we summarize and update our preparation of the 6- and 7-membered 2,3-diphenyl-1,3-thiaza-4-one heterocycles, and report and compare the spectroscopic properties of these and the 5-membered analog.

## 2. Results

### 2.1 Synthesis

Similar to the reports by Surrey et al. (1958) and Loev (1963) in which benzene (b.p. 80 °C) was used as the solvent, our initial attempts to react **2** with either **3** or **5** by condensation in refluxing toluene (b.p. 110-111 °C) or xylenes (b.p. ~140 °C) were unsuccessful, proceeding extremely slowly at best. Reactions using *p*-toluenesulfonic acid catalyst in refluxing toluene (Zarghi et al., 2009), sodium sulfate in dioxane (Kamel et al., 2010), or dicyclohexylcarbodiimide catalysis (Zhou et al., 2008, Srivastava, et al., 2002) were also unsuccessful.

Reasoning that the amide formation would likely be the rate-determining step, we looked to a paper published by Dunetz et al. (2011), which used two equivalents 2,4,6-tripropyl-1,3,5,2,4,6-trioxatriphosphorinane-2,4,6-trioxide (T3P) and four equivalents pyridine for amide formation. When applied to the reaction of **2** with **5**, successful cyclization was achieved at room temperature to give **6**. Compound **6** has been previously reported (Ponci, Baruffini & Gialdi, 1963, Kollenz & Ziegler, 1970, Oae & Numata, 1974), but not prepared by condensation of **2** and **5**. Shortly after our initial success, Unsworth, Kitsiou & Taylor (2013) published a paper in which a variety of heterocycles were prepared using T3P at 90 °C, including two examples of *N*-alkyl-1,3-benzothiazin-4-ones. In 2014, the authors published another paper with more examples, including one with an *N*-aryl group (Kitsiou et al., 2014).

Without any further optimization of the reaction, we have successfully reacted a number of other thioacids with *N*-benzylideneaniline **2** to prepare six- and seven-membered 2,3-diphenyl-1,3-thiaza-4-one heterocycles (Figure 5, Table 1). We have previously reported the syntheses and x-ray crystal structures of all products (Yennawar & Silverberg, 2013, Yennawar & Silverberg, 2014, Yennawar, Bendinsky *et al.*, 2014, Yennawar, Singh & Silverberg, 2014, Yennawar, Singh & Silverberg, 2015). The syntheses of **6**, **8** and **12** have since been repeated and updated procedures and yields are reported here. Thioacid **3** reacted to give **4**, the compound Surrey et al. (1958) had been unable to synthesize. A successful outcome was also achieved with 2-thionicotinic acid **7**, which Dandia et al. (2004) reported as unreactive with an *N*-aryl imine, under a variety of conditions and catalysts, without microwave radiation. Also notable is *N*-acetyl-L-cysteine **9**, which reacted to give the *cis* diastereomer **10** as the major product in reasonable yield. Thioacid **11** worked as well, giving the synthetically challenging seven-membered ring **12**. In fact, every thioacid attempted to this point has worked in this reaction. Products in each case were purified by column chromatography and/or recrystallization. The reader may note that in most cases tetrahydrofuran and 2-methyltetrahydrofuran were both used as solvents (T3P came as a 50% solution in 2-methyltetrahydrofuran, and THF was additionally added to the reaction) while in the later preparation of **12** only 2-methyltetrahydrofuran was used. It does not appear to make any difference in the reaction, and in our current work we are using only 2-methyltetrahydrofuran. Yields and reaction times were not optimized.

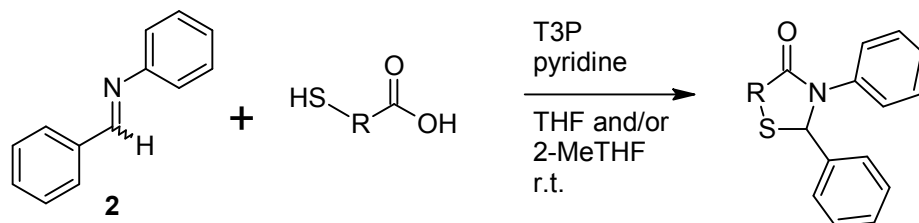
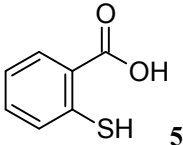
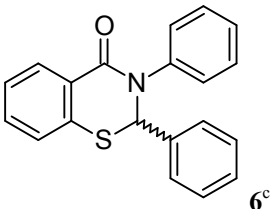
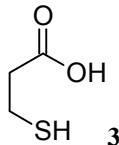
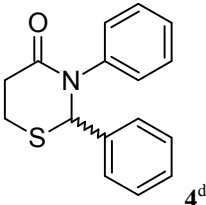
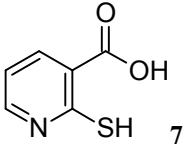
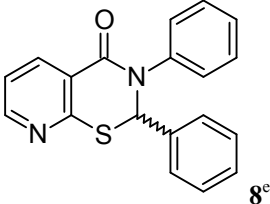
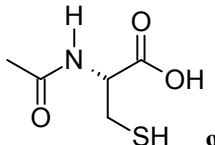
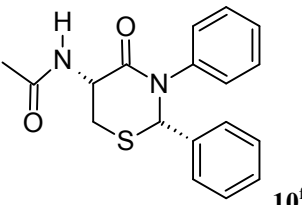
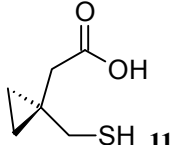
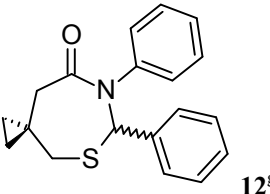


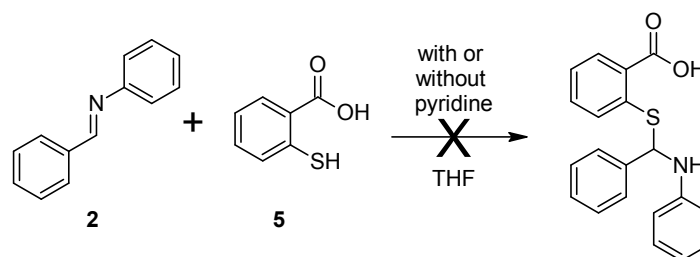
Figure 5. Synthesis of 1,3-thiaza-4-one heterocycles.

Table 1. 1,3-Thiaza-4-one heterocycles prepared. Yields and reaction times were not optimized.

Thioacid	Product	Yield
 <b>5</b>	 <b>6<sup>c</sup></b>	35.1% <sup>a</sup>
 <b>3</b>	 <b>4<sup>d</sup></b>	47.5% <sup>a,d</sup>
 <b>7</b>	 <b>8<sup>c</sup></b>	36.3% <sup>a,e</sup>
 <b>9</b>	 <b>10<sup>f</sup></b>	40.8% <sup>a</sup>
 <b>11</b>	 <b>12<sup>g</sup></b>	23.8% <sup>b</sup>

a) Yield of isolated material after chromatography of crude product and then recrystallization; b) Yield of isolated material after recrystallization from crude product; c) Yennawar, Bendinsky et al., 2014, Ponci et al., 1963, Kollenz & Ziegler, 1970, Oae & Numata, 1974; d) Yennawar, Tierney & Silverberg, 2014; e) Yennawar, Singh & Silverberg, 2014; f) Yennawar, Singh & Silverberg, 2015; g) Yennawar & Silverberg, 2013.

Unsworth et al. (2013) have proposed a mechanism for T3P-promoted 1,3-benzothiazin-4-one formation in which the acid is rapidly activated by reaction with T3P, and then is attacked by the imine nitrogen to give an iminium ion. On the other hand, it has been shown that 1,3-thiazolidin-4-one formation without a promoter occurs by initial attack of sulfur on the imine carbon (Tierney, 1989, Surrey, 1947). Reaction of **2** with **5** in THF, without T3P/2-methyltetrahydrofuran and with or without pyridine, gave no apparent reaction (Figure 6). This supports the mechanism proposed by Unsworth et al.

Figure 6. Attempted reaction of **2** with **5** without T3P.

## 2.2 Spectroscopic Properties

Each of the compounds in Table 1, along with the known 2,3-diphenyl-1,3-thiazolidin-4-one **13** (Tierney, 1989), has been analyzed by Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR), Infrared (IR), and Ultraviolet-Visible (UV-Vis) Spectroscopy.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR,  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR, and IR spectra of **13** have been previously reported (Woolston et al., 1992, Woolston, Lee & Swinbourne, 1993, *Magn. Reson. Chem.*, Tierney et al., 1996, Woolston, Lee & Swinbourne, 1993, *Phosphorus, Sulfur, and Silicon and the Related Elements*), but have been performed again in this study to keep the comparison consistent. The data are in good agreement. An x-ray crystal structure of **13** was also previously reported (Yennawar & Silverberg, 2014). As mentioned above, **6** is also a known compound, but no spectral data has been previously reported (Ponci et al., 1963, Kollenz & Ziegler, 1970, Oae & Numata, 1974. Badea et al. (1998) claimed the compound but their IR and NMR data does not match ours, and their melting point (230-232 °C) is much higher than all other reports.

The results are compiled in Table 2, with only key signals common to each product compared. Full spectral data is provided in the Experimental Section.

Table 2. Comparison of key spectroscopic signals.

Compound	$^1\text{H}$ NMR Chemical Shifts at C2 (ppm, $\text{CDCl}_3$ )	$^{13}\text{C}$ NMR Chemical Shifts at C2 (ppm, $\text{CDCl}_3$ )	$^{13}\text{C}$ NMR Chemical Shifts at C4 (ppm, $\text{CDCl}_3$ )	IR Absorbance of Carbonyls ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ )	UV-Vis Absorbance $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ (nm)
 <b>13</b> <sup>b,c,d,e,f</sup>	6.12 (s, 1H) (lit.: 6.08, <sup>c</sup> 6.09. <sup>e</sup> )	65.8 (lit.: 65.84, <sup>d</sup> 65.57. <sup>e</sup> )	171.3 (lit.: 171.22, <sup>d</sup> 170.92. <sup>e</sup> )	C4: 1668.8 (lit.: 1670.4. <sup>f</sup> )	272 (methanol)
<b>4</b>	5.91 (s)	65.8	169.7	C4: 1633.2	272 (methanol)
<b>10</b>	6.09 (s)	63.8	170.0 or 170.5 <sup>a</sup>	C4: 1643.2 Sidechain: 1678.1	272 (methanol)
<b>6</b>	6.07 (s, 1H)	65.3	163.8	C4: 1682.3	272 (cyclohexane)
<b>8</b>	6.17 (s, 1H)	64.6	163.4	C4: 1650.7	284 and 308, nearly equal absorbance (methanol)
<b>12</b>	6.17 (s, 1H))	68.7	174.2	C4: 1646.6	268 (methanol)

a) There is a second carbonyl on the sidechain at C5; b) Yennawar & Silverberg, 2014; c) Woolston et al., 1992; d) Woolston, Lee & Swinbourne, 1993, *Mag. Reson. Chem.*; e) Tierney et al., 1996; f) Woolston, Lee & Swinbourne, 1993, *Phosphorus, Sulfur, and Silicon and the Related Elements*.

### 3. Discussion

#### 3.1 $^1\text{H}$ NMR

The signal that is common to all of the structures in Table 2 is the proton at C2, a carbon which is also connected to the sulfur, the ring nitrogen, and a phenyl ring. In comparing the 5-, 6-, and 7-membered rings (**13**, **4**, and **12**), the most upfield resonance was at 5.91 ppm in **4**,  $\geq 0.2$  ppm less than in **13** and **12**. The signal in compound **12** was 0.05 ppm more downfield than **13**. Thus the C2 signal appears to be useful diagnostically for distinguishing between the thiazolidinone and thiazinone rings, and possibly between the thiazinone and thiazepanone rings, although this is less certain because of the presence of the cyclopropyl substituent at C6.

The fused benzene ring in **6** moved the C2 resonance downfield by 0.18 ppm compared to **4**. The pyridine ring in **8** moved the signal another 0.1 ppm farther downfield than in **6**. Thus **6**, **4**, and **8** are distinguishable according to the C2 resonance.

Having a *cis* *N*-acetyl group at C5 moved the C2 resonance in **10** downfield, as compared to **4**, to 6.09. A  $^1\text{H}$ - $^1\text{H}$ -COSY NMR experiment in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$  showed that the protons at C5 and C6 were all coupled to each other (Figure 7). Coupling of the proton on C5 was also seen with the adjacent NH (6.75 ppm). Although the proton at C2 appeared as a singlet in the COSY, some coupling was seen with one of the protons (dd at 3.5 ppm at room temp.) at C6. Processing of the NMR data with resolution enhancement (Figure 8) did in fact show small couplings on C2 (dt, 6.1 ppm) and one of the C6 protons (ddd, 3.5 ppm).

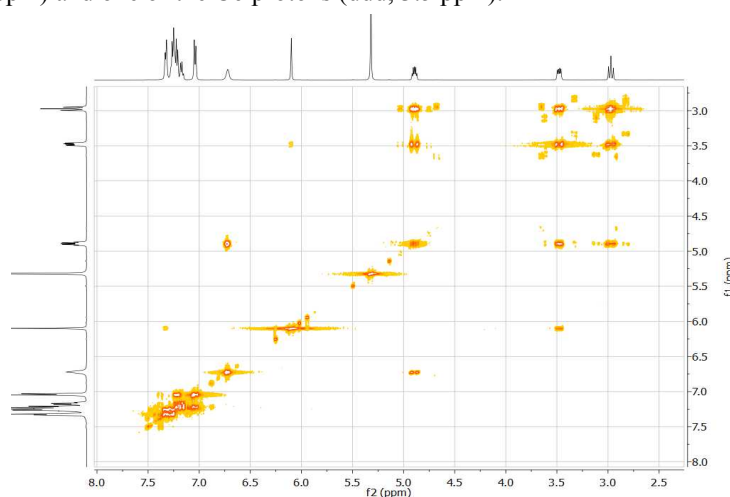


Figure 7.  $^1\text{H}$ - $^1\text{H}$ -COSY of **10** in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$  at room temperature.

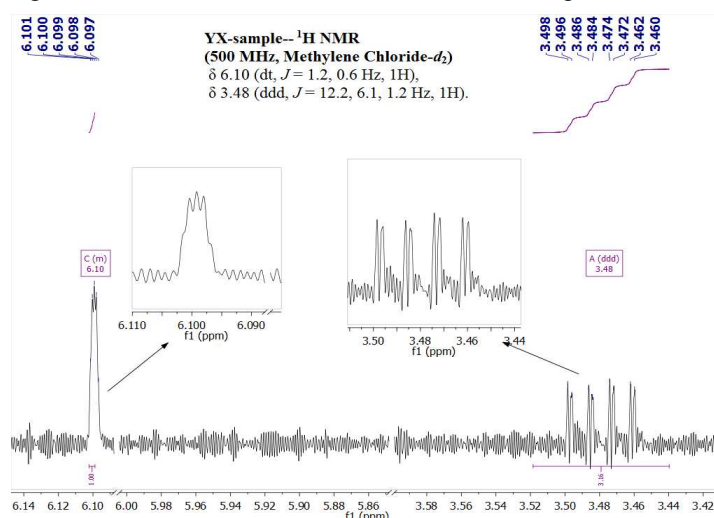


Figure 8.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR data of **10** processed with resolution enhancement.

In the crystal structure of **10** previously reported (Yennawar, Singh & Silverberg, 2014), one of the two conformations was a boat conformation, with the proton on C2 in a pseudo-axial position, whereas the other was a half-chair, typical of the other structures, with the proton on C2 in a pseudo-equatorial position.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR

experiments were carried out in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$  at room temperature and at  $-80\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  to attempt observation of individual conformations (Figure 9).

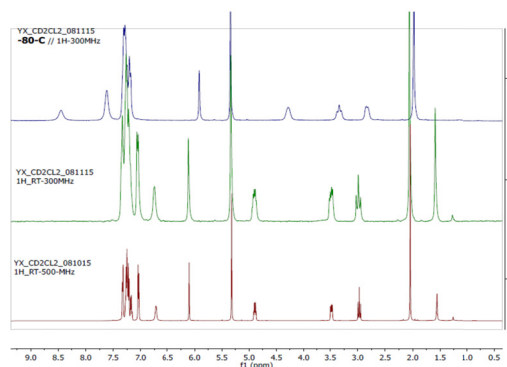


Figure 9. top-bottom: 300 MHz  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of **10** at  $-80\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ , 300 MHz  $^1\text{H}$  NMR at room temperature, 500 MHz  $^1\text{H}$  NMR at room temperature.

The crystal structure had indicated four hydrogen bonds: i) intramolecular between the N-H and the oxygen on C4 of the ring in the boat conformation, ii) intramolecular between the exocyclic carbonyl oxygen and an *ortho*-hydrogen of the phenyl ring attached to C2 in the half-chair conformation, iii) intermolecular between the exocyclic carbonyl oxygen of the boat and the N-H of the half-chair, and iv) intermolecular between the hydrogen on C2 of the boat and the oxygen on C4 of the half-chair.

These same interactions are suggested by the NMR experiment. Upon cooling, most of the peaks had changes in chemical shift. The NH singlet and an aromatic doublet were shifted downfield, pointing to hydrogen bond formation such as interactions i, ii, and iii. The coupling constant between the C5 proton and one of the C6 protons,  $\sim 12\text{ Hz}$ , was invariant with temperature. In the crystal structure, both conformations have an approximately *anti*-diaxial interaction between the proton on C5 and one of the protons on C6, and the coupling constant may be indicative of similar conformations in solution. The doubled doublet at  $\sim 3.5\text{ ppm}$  at room temperature became a doublet at  $\sim 2.8\text{ ppm}$  at  $-80\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ , with a coupling constant of  $9\text{ Hz}$ . This simplification could be indicative of a move to the boat conformation, as the disappearance of hydrogen bond interaction iv would leave only a vicinal coupling between a proton on C6 and the proton on C5.

The protons on C5 ( $\sim 4.9\text{ ppm}$  at r.t.) and C2 ( $6.1\text{ ppm}$  at r.t.), and one of the protons on C6 (the doubled doublet at  $\sim 3.5\text{ ppm}$  at r.t.) moved upfield, while the other proton on C6 ( $\sim 3\text{ ppm}$  at r.t.) moved downfield. The upfield shifts indicate that the C5 and C2 protons and one C6 proton likely moved toward a pseudo-*axial* position (as in the boat conformation), putting the other C6 proton pseudo-equatorial (Figure 10).

These results thus all strongly suggest that at  $-80\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  **10** is mainly in the boat conformation.

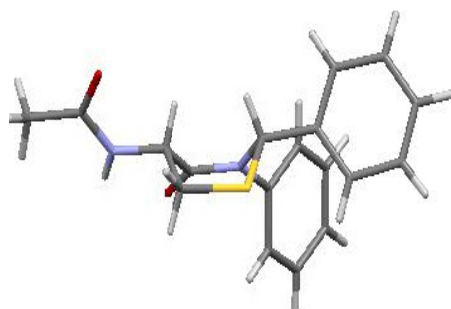


Figure 10. Boat conformation in the crystal structure of **10** (Yennawar, Singh & Silverberg, 2014).

### 3.2 $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR

The carbon signal for C2 is also common to all of the structures. Despite the differences observed in the proton signal, five-membered **13** and six-membered **4** had identical carbon-13 chemical shifts. A significant difference was observed, however, in seven-membered **12**, where the signal moved downfield to  $68.7\text{ ppm}$ , almost three ppm higher than **13** and **4**. This may be useful diagnostically in distinguishing the seven-membered ring from five- or six-membered ring compounds. Compound **10** could also be distinguished from **4**. Whereas the proton signal was downfield in cysteine-derived **10** compared to **4**, the carbon signal in **10** was upfield by two ppm.

In contrast, the C2 signals in benzothiazinone **6** and pyridothiazinone **8** were both slightly more upfield than in **4**,

**8** more so.

The ring carbonyl at C4 is also common to all of the compounds. Here some dramatic differences were seen. Five-membered **13** gave a resonance at 171.2, whereas six-membered **4** had a signal at 169.7, and seven-membered **12** shifted downfield to 174.2 ppm. Compounds **6** and **8** had nearly the same chemical shift, which was upfield of **4** by more than six ppm. There are two carbonyls in **10**, with the signals close together, so no firm conclusions can be drawn, but they were both close to the value for C4 in **4**.

The signal at C4 thus appears to be diagnostic for distinguishing five-, six-, and seven-membered rings, and for distinguishing thiazinones (**4**, **10**) from thiazinones with an aromatic ring fused at C5 and C6 (**6**, **8**).

### 3.3 IR

The amide carbonyl C=O stretching vibration at C4 is common to all of the structures.

A five-membered lactam is expected to give this signal at ~1750-1700 cm<sup>-1</sup> (Silverstein & Webster, 1998), but the experimental result for **13** was much lower at 1668.8 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

A six-membered lactam is expected (Silverstein & Webster, 1998) to give a signal at ~1650 cm<sup>-1</sup>, and the experimental result for **4** was 1633.2 cm<sup>-1</sup>. Compound **10** has a second amide carbonyl on the sidechain at C5. Comparison of the spectra of **4** and **10** indicated that in **10** the ring carbonyl was at 1643.2 cm<sup>-1</sup> and the amide sidechain at C5 was the absorbance at 1678.1 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

A seven-membered lactam is also expected to absorb at ~1650 cm<sup>-1</sup> (Silverstein & Webster, 1998). The experimental result for **12** was close at 1646.6 cm<sup>-1</sup>. Thus, while the wavenumber decreased going from the five- (**13**) to the six-membered ring (**4**), it increased going from the six- to the seven-membered ring (**12**). The differences in absorbances for **4**, **12**, and **13**, suggest that the value should be diagnostic for distinguishing the thiazolidinones from the thiazinones and thiazepanones, and possibly distinguishing the latter two from each other.

Fusion of a lactam to another ring usually increases the absorbance by 20-50 cm<sup>-1</sup> (Silverstein & Webster, 1998). Benzothiazinone **6** gave the peak at 1682.3 cm<sup>-1</sup>, an increase of 49.1 cm<sup>-1</sup> compared to **4**, whereas pyridothiazinone **8** had an absorbance at 1650.7 cm<sup>-1</sup>, an increase of 17.5 compared to **4**. The experimental difference of 31.6 cm<sup>-1</sup> makes the benzothiazinone and pyridothiazinone readily distinguishable.

### 3.4 UV/Vis

Four (**6**, **4**, **10**, and **13**) compounds displayed a  $\lambda_{\max}$  at 272 nm, and **12** was at 268. The only major change was in **8**. Two very strong peaks of nearly equal absorbance were observed at 284 and 308 nm. The absorbance at 308 is believed to be from the pyridine ring. Thus, UV/Vis may be diagnostic for establishing the presence of the pyridine ring.

## 4. Conclusions

Five different 2,3-diphenyl-1,3-thiaza-4-one rings were prepared and six were studied spectroscopically. The T3P synthetic method has thus far proven to be general and versatile and we are continuing to use it in ongoing studies.

Of greatest overall success in distinguishing the different compounds spectroscopically was the infrared absorbance of the C4 carbonyl. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR signal at C2 also displayed significant differences among the compounds. The <sup>13</sup>C signals at C2 were roughly similar, but the C4 signals distinguished between those that had a fused arene ring and those that didn't. The pyridothiazinone **8** gave a distinctive UV/Vis spectrum. The data collected here should be useful to researchers in identifying these types of compounds.

## 5. Experimental

General: Toluene, *N*-benzylideneaniline **2**, THF, pyridine, thiosalicylic acid **5**, and 3-mercaptopropionic acid **3** were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich (St. Louis, MO). *N*-acetyl-L-cysteine **9**, 2-thionicotinic acid **7**, and [1-(sulfanylmethyl)cyclopropyl]acetic acid **11** were obtained from Oakwood Products, Inc. T3P in 2-methyltetrahydrofuran (50 weight %) was obtained from Euticals, Inc. TLC plates (silica gel GF, 250 micron, 10 x 20 cm, catalog No. 21521) were purchased from Analtech (Newark, DE). TLC's were visualized under short wave UV, and then with I<sub>2</sub> and then by spraying with ceric ammonium nitrate/sulfuric acid and heating. Infrared spectra were run on a Perkin-Elmer Spectrum One using a diamond-ATR attachment for the direct powder analysis (Villanova University). Spectra were taken at a resolution of 4 cm<sup>-1</sup>, 16 scans averaged. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C experiments (Penn State University Park) were carried out on a Bruker 600.07-MHz Avance-III instrument using a 5-mm cryoprobe TCI 1H-13C/15N/D Z-GRD, or a Bruker Avance-III-HD 500.20-MHz instrument using



a 5 mm CPPBBO BB-1H/19F/D Z-GRD probe, or a Bruker 850.24-MHz Avance-III also using a 5-mm cryoprobe TCI 1H-13C/15N/D Z-GRD. Samples were dissolved in CDCl<sub>3</sub> and analyzed at RT. Low temperature NMR experiments were carried out on a Bruker DPX-300 operating at <sup>1</sup>H frequency of 300.13 MHz using a RT BBO probe. Typical conditions for <sup>1</sup>H acquisition were 1 sec relaxation delay, acquisition time of 2.76 sec, spectral width of 12 kHz, 16 scans. Spectra were zero-filled to 128k points, and multiplied by exponential multiplication (EM with LB = 0.3 Hz) prior to FT. For <sup>13</sup>C experiments a 2 sec relaxation delay was employed, acquisition time of 0.9088 sec, spectral width of 36 kHz, 128 scans. Spectra were zero-filled once, and multiplied by EM with LB = 2 Hz prior to FT. An Applied Biosystems API 2000 Triple Quadrupole Mass Spectrometer was used to determine molecular masses by electrospray ionization (Villanova University). A 0.1% (v:v) formic acid methanol mixture containing the compound at 100 ppm was infused at 20 μL/min into the electrospray source. Source and compound dependent parameters for the MS/MS product ion analysis were as follows: curtain gas (CUR) = 20, nebulizer gas (GAS1) = 15, heater gas (GAS2) = 15, electrospray voltage (IS) = 5500 V, source temperature (TEM) = 398 K, declustering potential (DP) = 40 V, focusing potential (FP) = 400 V, entrance potential (EP) = 10 V, collision energy (CE) = 25 V, cell exit potential (CXP) = 4 V. Ultraviolet/Visible spectroscopy was performed on a Thermo Electron Corp. Genesys 10 UV (Penn State Schuylkill). Melting points (Penn State Schuylkill) were performed on a Thomas Hoover Capillary Melting Point Apparatus (Arthur H. Thomas Co., Philadelphia, PA).

General Procedure for Preparation of Six- and Seven-membered 2,3-Diphenyl-1,3-thiaza-4-one Heterocycles: A two-necked 25 mL roundbottom flask was oven-dried, cooled under N<sub>2</sub>, and charged with a stir bar and *N*-benzylideneaniline **2** (6 mmol). Tetrahydrofuran or 2-methyltetrahydrofuran (2.3 mL) was added and the solution was stirred. Pyridine (1.95 mL, 24 mmol) was added and then the thioacid (6 mmol) was added. Finally, 2,4,6-tripropyl-1,3,5,2,4,6-trioxatriphosphorinane-2,4,6-trioxide (T3P) in 2-methyltetrahydrofuran (50 weight percent, 7.3 mL, 12 mmol) was added. The reaction was stirred at room temperature and followed by TLC, then poured into a separatory funnel with dichloromethane (20 mL). The mixture was washed with water (10 mL). The aqueous was then extracted twice with dichloromethane (10 mL each). The organics were combined and washed with saturated sodium bicarbonate (10 mL) and then saturated sodium chloride (10 mL). The organic was dried over sodium sulfate, concentrated under vacuum and chromatographed on 30 g flash silica gel, eluting with mixtures of ethyl acetate and hexanes. The crude product was further purified as indicated in previous reports or as below. X-Ray structures, melting points, and TLC retention factors have also been previously reported (Yennawar & Silverberg, 2013, Yennawar & Silverberg, 2014, Yennawar, Bendinsky *et al.*, 2014, Yennawar, Singh & Silverberg, 2014, Yennawar, Tierney & Silverberg, 2014, Yennawar, Singh & Silverberg, 2015).

*2,3-diphenyl-2,3-dihydro-4H-1,3-benzothiazin-4-one* (**6**): The reaction was repeated after the original report (Yennawar, Bendinsky *et al.*, 2014). The reaction was stirred for one week (previous report was 21 hours). After chromatography, slow recrystallization from ethanol gave slightly yellow crystals (0.6676 g, 35.1% yield), m.p. 136-137 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ(ppm): 8.24 (d, 1H, J = 7.3 Hz), 7.45-7.18 (m, 13H), 6.07 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ(ppm): 163.8, 142.5, 139.5, 133.3, 132.4, 130.4, 129.5, 129.2, 128.5, 128.3, 127.7, 127.2, 126.6, 126.4, 125.9, 65.3. MS (m/z): 318.1 (M+1), 212.1, 182.2, 109.0. [M+1]<sup>+</sup> 318.1 is consistent with calculated [M+H]<sup>+</sup> of 318.1. IR (neat, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 1682.3(s), 1197.4, 893.1, 762.5, 739.9, 709.9. UV/Vis: λ<sub>max</sub>: 272 nm (cyclohexane).

*2,3-Diphenyl-2,3,5,6-tetrahydro-4H-1,3-thiazin-4-one* (**4**) (Yennawar, Tierney & Silverberg, 2014): <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ(ppm): 7.42-7.21 (m, 10H), 5.91 (s, 1H), 3.06-2.87 (m, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ(ppm): 169.7, 142.7, 139.7, 129.2, 128.6, 128.1, 127.3, 126.8, 126.7, 65.8, 34.5, 22.7. MS (m/z): 270.3 (M+1), 182.2, 164.1, 148.2, 120.2, 118.2, 106.1, 104.2, 92.0. [M+1]<sup>+</sup> 270.3 is consistent with calculated [M+H]<sup>+</sup> of 270.1. IR (neat, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2934.8, 1633.2, 1592.0, 1494.3, 1415.7, 1393.3, 1330.6, 1278.5, 1218.1, 1194.3, 774.3, 739.6, 720.4, 708.8, 690.3. UV/Vis: λ<sub>max</sub>: 272 nm (methanol).

*2,3-diphenyl-2,3-dihydro-4H-pyrido[3,2-*e*][1,3]thiazin-4-one* (**8**) (Yennawar, Singh & Silverberg, 2014): <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ(ppm): 8.50 (dd, 1H, J = 4.8, 1.8 Hz), 8.46 (dd, 1H, J = 7.7, 1.8 Hz), 7.7 (d, 2H, J = 7.7 Hz), 7.41 (m, 2H), 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.32-7.26 (m, 4H), 7.21 (m, 1H), 6.17 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ(ppm): 163.4, 156.7, 152.8, 142.0, 139.1, 137.9, 129.4, 128.7, 128.6, 127.5, 126.1, 125.7, 121.2, 65.0, 37.2. MS (m/z): 319.3 (M+1), 213.3, 182.3, 138.1. [M+1]<sup>+</sup> 319.3 is consistent with calculated [M+H]<sup>+</sup> of 319.1. IR (neat, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 1659.7, 1572.6, 1491.6, 1446.7, 1394.8, 1221.4, 830.8, 762.3, 732.9, 712.2, 691.5, 655.3. UV/Vis: λ<sub>max</sub>: 284 and 308, very strong and nearly equal absorbances (methanol).

*N-[(2*S*,5*R*)-4-oxo-2,3-diphenyl-1,3-thiazinan-5-yl]acetamide* (**10**): The reaction was repeated after the original report (Yennawar, Singh & Silverberg, 2015). The reaction was stirred for two weeks (previous report was one day). After chromatography, fractions containing mainly the major product were combined and recrystallized

from toluene to give 0.1575 g. Mixed fractions that contained the major product were combined and recrystallized from acetone, yielding the major product in two crops, 0.4189g and 0.1839 g (total of the three crops 0.7603 g, 40.8%). The three crops were combined (0.681 g) and recrystallized again from acetone (0.381 g, 55.9% recovery). White powder. m.p.: 190-192 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ(ppm): 7.32-7.17 (m, 8H), 7.05 (m, 2H), 6.82 (br s, 1H, J = 5.1 Hz, NH), 6.09 (s, 1H, C2), 4.99-4.95 (dt, 1H, J = 11.4, 5.8 Hz, C%), 3.62-3.58 (dd, 1H, J = 12.1, 6.3 Hz, C6), 2.95 (t, 1H, J = 11.9 Hz, C6), 2.10 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ(ppm): 170.6, 170.0, 140.1, 136.7, 129.0, 128.8, 128.5, 128.2, 127.9, 127.7, 63.8, 52.2, 27.6, 23.3. MS (m/z): 327.3 (M+1), 285.3, 234.2, 206.1, 182.2, 164.1. [M+1] 327.3 is consistent with calculated [M+H]<sup>+</sup> of 327.1. IR (neat, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3400.4, 3306.8, 1734.8 (w), 1678.1 (s), 1643.2 (s), 1531.9, 1490.3, 1406.4, 1356.8, 1267.9, 764.1, 733.6, 721.6, 698.7. UV/Vis: λ<sub>max</sub>: 272 nm (methanol). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, room temperature, 300 MHz): δ(ppm): 7.38-7.13 (m, 8H), 7.06 (d, 2H, J = 6.8 Hz), 6.75 (s, 1H), 6.11 (s, 1H), 4.95-4.87 (m, 1H), 3.52-3.48 (dd, 1H, J = 11.9, 5.8 Hz), 2.99 (t, 1H, J = 11.9 Hz), 2.06 (s, 3H). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, -80 °C): δ(ppm): 8.45 (s, 1H), 7.61 (s, 2H), 7.31-7.18 (m, 8H), 5.91 (s, 1H), 4.28 (s, 1H), 3.34 (t, 1H, J = 12.1 Hz), 2.85-2.82 (d, 1 H, J = 9 Hz), 1.98 (s, 3H).

**6,7-Diphenyl-5-thia-7-azaspiro[2.6]nonan-8-one (12):** The reaction was repeated after the original report (Yennawar & Silverberg, 2013). 2-Methyltetrahydrofuran was the only solvent. The reaction was stirred for four days (previous report was 20 hours). After workup to give a crude yellow liquid, crystals slowly grew. The crystals were collected by vacuum filtration and washed repeatedly with cold 2-propanol, leaving white crystals (0.424 g, 23.8%). m.p.: 144-145 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ(ppm): 7.56 (d, 2H, J = 6.1 Hz), 7.40-7.25 (m, 8H), 6.17 (s, 1H), 3.12 (d, 1H, J = 12.2 Hz), 2.72 (d, 1H, J = 13.4 Hz), 2.54 (bs, 2H), 0.9 (m, 1H), 0.77-0.68 (m, 2H), 0.65-0.62 (m, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ(ppm): 174.2, 137.3, 129.3, 129.1, 128.2, 127.9, 127.8, 127.5, 68.7, 46.2, 17.6. MS (m/z): 310.3 (M+1), 204.1, 188.2, 182.2, 146.2, 129.2, 120.2, 69.0. [M+1] 310.3 is consistent with calculated [M+H]<sup>+</sup> of 310.1. IR (neat, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2909.2, 1646.6, 1595.9, 1489.0, 1446.0, 1416.4, 1141.0, 1015.0, 914.5, 766.2, 753.3, 721.6, 709.8, 696.1. UV/Vis: λ<sub>max</sub>: 268 nm (methanol).

**2,3-diphenyl-1,3-thiazolidin-4-one (13)** (Yennawar & Silverberg, 2014, Tierney et al., 1996): <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ(ppm): 7.33-7.17 (m, 10H), 6.12 (s, 1H), 4.03 (d, 1H, J = 15.9 Hz), 3.9 (d, 1H, J = 15.9 Hz). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ(ppm): 171.3, 139.7, 137.7, 129.3, 129.11, 129.08, 127.3, 127.1, 125.8, 65.8, 33.7. IR (neat, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2960.6, 1668.8, 1593.2, 1495.3, 1456.2, 1395.7, 1343.7, 1299.9, 1282.6, 1244.6, 1224.5, 1132.9, 1074.2, 899.7, 804.5, 777.6, 745.2, 717.2, 687.9, 663.9. UV/Vis: λ<sub>max</sub>: 272 nm (methanol).

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