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Ethyl N-(3-Phenyl-2-propynoyl)carbamate

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During the synthesis of a series of carboximides using acyl isocyanates [1], the title compound **3** was synthesised in a model reaction from 3-phenyl-2-propynoyl isocyanate (**2**) and ethanol. Isocyanate **2** was generated *in situ* from the corresponding carboxamide (**1**) with oxalyl chloride [2]. Compound **3** had been reported previously [3], but we give here a more detailed characterization.

To 3-phenyl-2-propynamide (1 [3], 492 mg, 3.39 mmol) in dichloromethane (8 ml), oxalyl chloride (407 ml, 4.75 mmol) was added under argon at room temperature. The mixture was heated to reflux for 5 h and then allowed to cool to room temperature. Ethanol (1 ml, 177 mmol) was added and the mixture stirred for 10 min and the solvent removed *in vacuo*. The residue was chromatographed on SiO₂ (40 g, dichloromethane) to give 645 mg (89%) of **3** as a colorless solid.

Colorless prisms (ethanol), m.p. 98.5-100°C ([3]: 100°C).

IR (KBr): 3211; 3100; 2987; 2204; 1768; 1648; 1479; 1358; 1206; 1192; 1066; 769; 696.

¹H-NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): 7.96 (*s br*, 1H, NH); 7.63 (*d*, J = 6.8, 2H, H-C(2'), H-C(6')); 7.47 (*t*, J = 7.4, 1H, H-C(4')); 7.39 (*t*, J = 7.3, 2H, H-C(3'), H-C(5')); 4.29 (*q*, J = 7.1, 2H, CH₂); 1.34 (*t*, J = 7.1, 3H, CH₃).

¹³C-NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): 151.9, 150.5 (2 C=O); 133.1 (C(2'), C(6')); 130.9 (C(4')); 128.6 (C(3'), C(5')); 119.6 (C(1')); 92.3 (C(3)); 81.8 (C(2)); 62.6 (CH₂); 14.2 (CH₃).

EI-MS (70 eV): 217 (6, *M*⁺); 189 (8); 171 (6); 145 (18); 129 (100); 118 (30); 101 (7); 89 (11); 75 (20); 51 (11).

CI-MS (NH₃): 235 (10, [*M*+NH₄]⁺); 218 (100, [*M*+H]⁺); 146 (8); 129 (16).

Anal. Calcd for $C_{12}H_{11}NO_3$ (217.22): C 66.35, H 5.10, N 6.45; Found: C 66.19, H 5.03, N 6.36.

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