

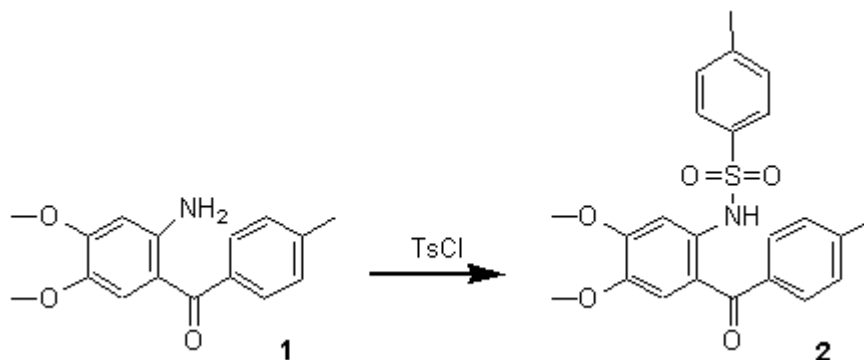
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4,5-Dimethoxy-2-(4-methylbenzoyl)-1-(4-methylphenylsulfonylamido)benzene

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For this synthesis, we propose a modification of the reaction procedure described in [1]. To a warm solution of amine **1** (2.06 g, 8 mmol) in acetone (70 mL), p -TsCl (3.5 g, 1.8 mmol) was added and the reaction mixture was heated to dissolve p -TsCl. After that, water (7 mL) and NaHCO_3 (1.70 g, 20 mmol) were added. The mixture was heated to reflux for 5 days. In order to separate product **2**, H_2O (25 mL) was added and the reaction mixture was concentrated to half its volume. The crystallization from acetone with charcoal gave titled compound (1.8 g, 53 %) as pale yellow crystals. The filtrate after separating compound **2** was diluted with water and extracted with ethyl acetate. The extracts were dried over Na_2SO_4 , and solvent was evaporated. The residue was worked up as described above yielding the additional amount of the compound **2** (0.92 g, 27 %).

Total yield of compound **2** is 2.72 g (80 %).

M.p. 218 °C (acetone).

IR (Nujol): 1620 (C=O), 3280 (NH).

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 80 MHz): 2.17 (3H, s, CH_3); 2.40 (3H, s, CH_3); 3.67 (3H, s, OCH_3); 3.97 (3H, s, OCH_3); 6.73 (1H, s, H_{Ar}); 6.93 (2H, d, $J=8.8$ Hz, H_{Ts}); 7.17 (4H, s, H_{Ar}); 7.30 (1H, s, H_{Ar}); 7.47 (2H, d, $J=8.8$ Hz, H_{Ts}); 10.07 (1H, s, NH)

Anal. calc. for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{23}\text{NO}_5\text{S}$: C 64.94, H 5.41, N 3.29; found C 65.09, H 5.50, N 3.19.

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