

Short Note

## 1,3,5-Tris-(2,3-dihydro-1*H*-1,5-benzodiazepin-4-yl)-1,2,3,4,5,6-hexahydro-*s*-triazine

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**Abstract:** A new compound, 1,3,5-tris-(2,3-dihydro-1*H*-1,5-benzodiazepin-4-yl)-1,2,3,4,5,6-hexahydro-*s*-triazine was obtained by the reaction of *ortho*-phenylenediamine **1** with 1,3,5-triacryl-1,2,3,4,5,6-hexahydro-1,3,5-triazine **2**. Spectroscopic (IR, <sup>1</sup>H-NMR, <sup>13</sup>C-NMR and MS) data are supplied to support the proposed structure for the title compound.

**Keywords:** 1,5-benzodiazepines; 1,3,5-triazines; *ortho*-phenylenediamine

A method for the preparation of 1,5-benzodiazepine derivatives corresponds to the condensation reaction between aromatic *o*-diamines with 1,3-dielectrophilic compounds such as acrylic acid, acrylic esters and acrylamides. This approach is quite versatile, which makes it appropriate for synthetic purposes [1–6]. Benzodiazepine moieties are well-known due to their wide range of pharmacological activities [7,8]. Previous outcomes reported by us have shown that other systems based on the diazepine core, introduced special properties against different cancer types; turning them into promising pharmacophores [9,10].

On the other hand, the (1,3,5-triacryl)-s-triazine fragments have been used as cross-linking agents for improving the fixation of dyes on polyamide fibers [11].

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Synthesis of 1,3,5-tris-(2,3-dihydro-1H-1,5-benzodiazepin-4-yl)-1,2,3,4,5,6-hexahydro-s-triazine (3)

A mixture of *ortho*-phenylenediamine **1** (345 mg, 3.2 mmol) and 1,3,5-triacryl-1,2,3,4,5,6-hexahydro-1,3,5-triazine **2** (248 mg, 1 mmol) in methanol (10 mL) with triethylamine (1 mL) was refluxed for 16 h (see Scheme 1). The precipitate formed was filtered off and then purified by column chromatography on silica gel, using CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>:MeOH (20:1) as eluent.

**Scheme 1.** Synthesis of 1,3,5-tris-(2,3-dihydro-1*H*-1,5-benzodiazepin-4-yl)-1,2,3,4,5,6-hexahydro-*s*-triazine **3**.

The 1,3,5-tris-(2,3-dihydro-1*H*-1,5-benzodiazepin-4-yl)-1,2,3,4,5,6-hexahydro-*s*-triazine **3** was obtained as a pale-yellow solid (yield: 467 mg, 90%), this compound showed high solubility in solvents such as CHCl<sub>3</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, DMF and DMSO. Studies on the generality of this procedure to obtain new analogues and on some biological properties of compound **3** are in progress.

Melting point: >350 °C.

IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3385–3338 (NH), 1647 (C=N), 1508 (C=C).

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta = 6.82$ -6.78 (m, 3H, Ar-H); 6.69-6.66 (m, 9H, Ar-H); 5.23 (s, 6H, N-CH<sub>2</sub>-N); 3.45 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 6H, CH<sub>2</sub>); 3.44 (bs, 3H, NH); 2.86 (bs, 6H, CH<sub>2</sub>) ppm.

 $^{13}$ C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz):  $\delta = 171.4$ , 137.2, 135.4, 120.8, 119.6, 116.9, 112.9, 56.1, 39.7, 32.3 ppm.

EI-MS (m/z, %): 519.2 (M<sup>+</sup>, 100%), 374.5 (21), 230.1 (16), 145.3 (49),107.3 (35).

Elemental Analysis: Calculated for  $C_{30}H_{33}N_9$ : C, 69.34%, H, 6.40%, N, 24.26%. Found: C, 69.30%, H, 6.37%, N, 24.24%.

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