

## Synthetic Modifications of Lead Compounds as Antitrypanosomal Drugs

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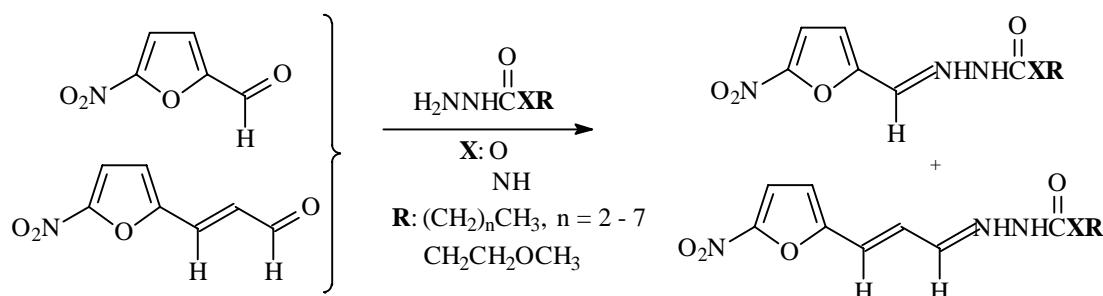
**Abstract:** Following our work in the synthesis of compounds with antichagasic activity, we describe new potential products in which the same "leader" compound was modulated.

### Introduction

We have previously reported the synthesis and biological activity against *Trypanosoma cruzi* epimastigote forms *in vitro* and *in vivo*, of a series of semicarbazone derivatives of 5-nitrofurfural ("leader" compounds) [1,2].

### Experimental

The synthesis of the new compounds is shown in the following scheme:



This compounds (I-IX), treated with Lawesson's reagent, produced the thiocarbonyl compounds.

### Results and Discussion

The new compounds were identified by <sup>1</sup>H-NMR, <sup>13</sup>C-NMR, IR, MS and were tested *in vitro* against epimastigote forms of *Trypanosoma cruzi*.

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