

SYNTHESIS, CHARACTERISATION, DOCKING STUDIES AND ANTIMICROBIAL
EVALUATION OF ETHYL 3-(5-(2-OXIDO-2-(4-SUBSTITUTED PHENOXY)
BENZO[D][1,3,2]DIOXAPHOSPHOL-5-YL)-1H-TETRAZOL-1-YL)THIOPHENE-2-
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ABSTRACT

The reaction of ethyl 3-((3,4-dimethoxybenzylidene)amino) thiophene-2-carboxylate (5) reacts with phosphorus tri chloride followed by sodium azide in presence zinc chloride, sodium acetate in tetrahydrofuran forms ethyl 3-(5-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1H-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylate (6) which on hydrolysis affords the ethyl 3-(5-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-1H-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylate (7). A new series of ethyl 3-(5-(2-oxido-2-(4-substituted phenoxy)benzo[d][1,3,2]dioxaphosphol-5-yl)-1H-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylates (9a-g) were synthesized from ethyl 3-(5-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-1H-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylate (7) by condensing with 4-substituted phenyl phosphoro dichloridates (8a-g). The structures of these analogues (9a-g) have been established by ¹H NMR, IR, Mass spectral data and elemental analysis. This study describes the anti-microbial activity and docking studies of newly synthesized analogues (9a-g).

KEYWORDS: Ethyl-2-cyanoacetate, 2,5-dihydroxy-1,4-dithiane, 3,4-dimethoxy benzaldehyde, sodium azide, antimicrobial activity and docking studies.

INTRODUCTION

Tetrazoles and its derivatives are associated with a variety of biological activities such as antifungal^[1], antinociceptive^[2-3], anti convulsant^[4], antidiabetic^[5], cyclo-oxygenase inhibitors^[6], hypoglycaemic^[7], antibacterial^[8] and anti-inflammatory^[9] activities. Tetrazoles are used as catalysts in the synthesis of phosphonates. In the present studies we have developed a molecular frame, which consists of both organo-phosphorus and tetrazol moieties. Thus different ethyl 3-(5-(2-oxido-2-(4-substituted phenoxy)benzo[d][1,3,2]dioxaphosphol-5-yl)-1H-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylates(9a-g) were synthesized. The structures of these analogues have been established by Mass, NMR, IR studies, elemental analysis and synthesis. All the new compounds were screened for their antimicrobial activity. Some of the derivatives found to have promising activity.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

All the chemicals used in the present investigation were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich Chemicals company, Inc. USA and used without further purification. TLC was performed on aluminium sheet of silica gel 60F254, E-Merk, Germany using iodine as visualizing agent. Melting points were determined in open capillary tubes on Mel-Temp apparatus and are uncorrected. The IR spectra were recorded as KBr pellets on PERKIN-Elmer

1000 units, instruments. All ¹H and ¹³C-NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian XL-300 spectrometer operating at 400MHz for ¹H-NMR and 75MHz for ¹³C-NMR respectively. ³¹P-NMR spectrum was recorded on a Varian XL-spectrometer operating at 161.89MHz. The compounds were dissolved in DMSO-d₆ and chemical shifts were referenced to TMS (¹H and ¹³C-NMR) and 85% H₃PO₄ (³¹P-NMR). Elemental analysis was recorded on a Carlo Erba 1108 elemental Analyzer, Central Drug Research Institute, Lucknow, India.

Synthesis of ethyl 3-(5-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1H-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylate (6).

The compound ethyl 3-((3,4-dimethoxybenzylidene)amino)thiophene-2-carboxylate(5) was converted to ethyl 3-(5-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1H-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylate(6) on treatment with PCl₅, sodium azide in Tetrahydrofuran. The reaction mixture was heated for one hour at 100°C. The progress of the reaction was monitored by TLC with n-hexane:ethylacetate(7:3) as an eluent.

The structure of ethyl 3-(5-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1H-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylate(6) was established by spectral analysis (IR and ¹H NMR) and elemental analysis.

Yield (75.00%). IR (KBr pellet), ν, cm⁻¹: 3020-3040cm⁻¹(γ_{Ar-H} of benzene ring and thiophene ring), 2960 cm⁻¹;

2890 cm^{-1} (γ_{CH} of CH_3 and CH_2 groups), 1695 cm^{-1} (stretching of carbonyl group of an ester), 1450 cm^{-1} -675 cm^{-1} (characteristics of thiophene ring), 1415 cm^{-1} (stretching of C-N of tetrazole ring), 1240 cm^{-1} (stretching of C-O of an ester), 1050 cm^{-1} ($\delta_{\text{c-o-c}}$ of aromatic ether) and 1157 cm^{-1} , 2120 cm^{-1} due to stretching vibrations of tetrazole and azide respectively. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (DMSO-d_6), δ , ppm 1.2(t,3H, of $-\text{CH}_3$ group of ester), δ_{ppm} 4.2(q,2H, $-\text{CH}_2$ of an ester), δ_{ppm} 3.80(s,6H,two $-\text{OCH}_3$ groups), and 6.9-7.3(m,5H, 3H of C_6H_3 ring and two thiophene protons), mp 136-138 $^\circ\text{C}$.

Synthesis of ethyl 3-(5-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-1H-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylate (7)

A solution of ethyl 3-(5-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1H-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylate (6,0.02moles) was dissolved in 30ml CH_2Cl_2 under N_2 and boron tri bromide (2.4ml, 0.025moles) was added at -78°C . The mixture was warmed slowly to room temperature and stirred for 16 hours. Cold methanol and ice water was added to quench reaction and saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 solution was used to adjust pH to 7~8. After extracting three times by ethyl acetate, each time 25ml, the organic layer was merged and dried by anhydrous Na_2SO_4 . It was then purified by column chromatography (eluent Petroleum ether: Ethyl acetate 8:2) to give the product ethyl 3-(5-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-1H-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylate(7).

Yield (75.00%). IR (KBr pellet), ν , cm^{-1} : 3350 cm^{-1} (intra molecular hydrogen bonding γ_{OH}), 3040 cm^{-1} ($\gamma_{\text{Ar-H}}$ of benzene ring and thiophene ring), 2960 cm^{-1} ; 2890 cm^{-1} (γ_{CH} of CH_3 and CH_2 groups), 1695 cm^{-1} (stretching of carbonyl group of an ester), 1450 cm^{-1} , 675 cm^{-1} (characteristics of thiophene ring), 1415 cm^{-1} (stretching of C-N of tetrazole ring), 1240 cm^{-1} (stretching of C-O of an ester) and 1157 cm^{-1} and 2120 cm^{-1} (stretching vibrations of tetrazole and azide respectively). $^1\text{H NMR}$ (DMSO-d_6), δ , ppm (J, Hz): 1.2(t,3H, of $-\text{CH}_3$ group of ester), δ_{ppm} 4.2(q,2H, $-\text{CH}_2$ of an ester), 6.9-7.3(m,5H, 3H of C_6H_3 ring and two thiophene protons) and δ_{ppm} 5.6 (s,2H, of two $-\text{OH}$ groups), mp 184-186 $^\circ\text{C}$.

Synthesis of 4-substituted phenyl phosphorodichloridates(8a-g)

4-substituted phenyl phosphoro dichloridates (8a-g) were prepared as per literature procedure.

Synthesis of ethyl 3-(5-(2-oxido-2-phenoxybenzo[d]/2-(*p*-tolyl oxy)benzo[d]/2-(4-fluorophenoxy/4-chlorophenoxy/4-bromophenoxy/4-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy/4-nitro phenoxy)-2-oxidobenzo[d] [1,3,2]dioxaphosphol-5-yl)-1H-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylate(9a-g)^[10]

A solution of phenyl phosphorodichloridate (8a,0.025moles) in 25ml of dry toluene was added drop wise over a period of 20 minutes to a stirred solution of ethyl 3-(5-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-1H-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylate(7,0.02moles) and

triethylamine (0.04moles) in 30ml of dry toluene and 10ml of Tetra Hydro Furan at 5°C . After completion of addition, the temperature of the reaction mixture was slowly raised to room temperature and stirred for 2hours. Later the reaction mixture was heated to 50-60 $^\circ\text{C}$ and maintained for 4hours with stirring. The completion of the reaction was monitored by TLC analysis. Tri ethylamine hydrochloric acid was filtered from mixture and solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was washed with water and then recrystallized from aqueous 2-propanol to get pure compound, ethyl 3-(5-(2-oxido-2-phenoxybenzo[d][1,3,2]dioxaphosphol-5-yl)-1H-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylate(9a). The m. p. of (9a) was found to be 95-97 $^\circ\text{C}$ with a yield of 60%, 0.012moles. The separated solid was identified as ethyl 3-(5-(2-oxido-2-phenoxybenzo[d][1,3,2]dioxaphosphol-5-yl)-1H-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylate(9a).

The similar procedure was adopted to synthesize (9b-g) by the condensation reaction between ethyl 3-(5-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-1H-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylate (7) with *p*-tolyl phosphorodichloridate(8b), 4-fluorophenyl phosphorodichloridate(8c), 4-chlorophenyl phosphorodichloridate(8d), 4-bromophenyl phosphorodichloridate(8e), 4-trifluoromethyl phenyl phosphorodichloridate(8f) and 4-nitrophenyl phosphorodichloridate(8g).

Physical, analytical and spectral data for the analogues (9a-g)

9a: Yield: 60.00%; IR (KBr pellet), ν , cm^{-1} : 3040 cm^{-1} ($\gamma_{\text{Ar-H}}$ of Benzene ring and thiophene ring), 2960 cm^{-1} ; 2890 cm^{-1} (γ_{CH} of CH_3 and CH_2 groups), 1695 cm^{-1} ($\gamma_{\text{C=O}}$ of an ester), 1450 cm^{-1} -675 cm^{-1} (characteristics of thiophene ring), 1415 cm^{-1} (stretching of C-N of tetrazole ring), 1250 cm^{-1} (stretching vibration of P=O), 1050 cm^{-1} ($\delta_{\text{c-o-c}}$ of aromatic ether) and 954 cm^{-1} (stretching vibration of P-O-C(-Ar)). $^1\text{H NMR}$ (DMSO-d_6), δ , ppm (J, Hz): 1.29(t,3H, $-\text{CH}_3$ group of an ester), δ_{ppm} 4.24 (q,2H, $-\text{CH}_2$ of an ester and 6.9-7.3(m,10H, C_6H_3 , C_6H_5 and 2H of thiophene ring). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (75MHz) (DMSO-d_6), δ , ppm: 133.2, 133.8, 128.6, 153.3, 163.5, 124.6, 114.3, 145.7, 145.2, 117.8, 123.3, 150.2, 120.3, 130.1, 121.3, 162.3 and 60.9 and 14.1 corresponding to C_1 , C_2 , C_3 , C_4 , C_5 , C_6 , C_7 , C_8 , C_9 , C_{10} , C_{11} , C_{12} , C_{13} & C_{17} , C_{14} & C_{16} , C_{15} , C_{18} , C_{19} and C_{20} respectively. The molecule has 18- non-equivalent protons. $^{31}\text{P-NMR}$ (δ , ppm): -6.90; Mass: 470(M+1), mp 95-97 $^\circ\text{C}$. Elemental Analysis found for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_4\text{O}_6$ PS is C: 50.56, H: 3.67, N: 11.45, P: 6.24, S: 6.39.

9b: Yield: 60.00%; IR (KBr pellet), ν , cm^{-1} : 3025 cm^{-1} (Ar-H), 2955, 2885 (γ_{CH} of CH_3 & CH_2), 1695 (C=O), 1133, 1280, 1100 (N-N=N, tetrazole ring), 1410 (C-N), 1245 (P=O), 945 P-O-C(-Ar); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (DMSO-d_6), δ , ppm (J, Hz): 1.29(t,3H, $-\text{CH}_3$ group of an ester), δ_{ppm} 2.40(s,3H of methyl group), δ_{ppm} 4.24 (q,2H, $-\text{CH}_2$ of an ester and 6.9-7.3(m,9H, C_6H_3 , C_6H_4 and 2H of thiophene ring); $^{31}\text{P-NMR}$ (δ , ppm): -6.8; Mass: 484(M+1), mp 81-

83°C. Elemental Analysis found for C₂₁H₁₇N₄O₆ PS is C: 51.56, H: 3.03, N: 11.08, P: 5.92, S: 6.15.

9c: Yield: 60.00%; IR (KBr pellet), ν , cm⁻¹: 3040cm⁻¹ (Ar-H), 2970, 2900 (γ -CH of CH₃&CH₂), 1690 (C=O), 1147, 1295, 1115 (N-N=N, tetrazole ring), 1420 (C-N), 1255 (P=O), 960 P-O-C(-Ar); ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆), δ , ppm (J, Hz): 1.29 (t, 3H, -CH₃ group of an ester), δ_{ppm} 4.24 (q, 2H, -CH₂ of an ester and 7-7.3 (m, 9H, C₆H₃, C₆H₄ and 2H of thiophene ring); ³¹P-NMR (δ , ppm): -7.6; Mass: 488 (M+1), mp 89-91°C. Elemental Analysis found for C₂₀H₁₄FN₄O₆ PS is C: 48.71, H: 2.47, F: 3.37, N: 11.04, P: 5.90, S: 6.10.

9d: Yield: 65.00%; IR (KBr pellet), ν , cm⁻¹: 3035cm⁻¹ (Ar-H), 2965, 2895 (γ -CH of CH₃&CH₂), 1690 (C=O), 1142, 1290, 1110 (N-N=N, tetrazole ring), 1417 (C-N), 1253 (P=O), 955 P-O-C(-Ar); ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆), δ , ppm (J, Hz): 1.29 (t, 3H, -CH₃ group of an ester), δ_{ppm} 4.24 (q, 2H, -CH₂ of an ester and 7.0-7.3 (m, 9H, C₆H₃, C₆H₄ and 2H of thiophene ring); ³¹P-NMR (δ , ppm): -7.3; Mass: 504 (M+1), mp 110-112°C. Elemental Analysis found for C₂₀H₁₄ClN₄O₆ PS is C: 47.03, H: 2.38, Cl: 6.58, N: 10.68, P: 5.74, S: 5.92.

9e: Yield: 60.00%; IR (KBr pellet), ν , cm⁻¹: 3035cm⁻¹ (Ar-H), 2960, 2890 (γ -CH of CH₃&CH₂), 1690 (C=O), 1141, 1288, 1108 (N-N=N, tetrazole ring), 1417 (C-N), 1253 (P=O), 955 P-O-C(-Ar); ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆), δ , ppm (J, Hz): 1.29 (t, 3H, -CH₃ group of an ester), δ_{ppm} 4.24 (q, 2H, -CH₂ of an ester and 7-7.3 (m, 9H, C₆H₃, C₆H₄ and 2H of thiophene ring); ³¹P-NMR (δ , ppm): -7.3; Mass: 550 (M+1), mp 123-125°C. Elemental Analysis found for C₂₀H₁₄BrN₄O₆ PS is C: 43.28, H: 2.18, Br: 14.09, N: 9.74, P: 5.22, S: 5.37.

9f: Yield: 70.00%; IR (KBr pellet), ν , cm⁻¹: 3040cm⁻¹ (Ar-H), 2970, 2900 (γ -CH of CH₃&CH₂), 1690 (C=O), 1146, 1293, 1113 (N-N=N, tetrazole ring), 1420 (C-N), 1260 (P=O), 965 P-O-C(-Ar); ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆), δ , ppm (J, Hz): δ_{ppm} 1.29 (t, 3H, -CH₃ group of an ester), δ_{ppm} 4.24 (q, 2H, -CH₂ of an ester and 7-7.3 (m, 9H, C₆H₃, C₆H₄ and 2H of thiophene ring); ³¹P-NMR (δ , ppm): -8.10; Mass: 538 (M+1), mp 113-115°C. Elemental Analysis found for C₂₁H₁₄F₃N₄O₆ PS is C: 46.37, H: 2.18, F: 10.19, N: 9.93, P: 5.38, S: 5.54.

9g: Yield: 70.00%; IR (KBr pellet), ν , cm⁻¹: 3040cm⁻¹ (Ar-H), 2975, 2905 (γ -CH of CH₃&CH₂), 1690 (C=O), 1153, 1300, 1120 (N-N=N, tetrazole ring), 1425 (C-N), 1270 (P=O), 970 P-O-C(-Ar); ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆), δ , ppm (J, Hz): 1.29 (t, 3H, -CH₃ group of an ester), δ_{ppm} 4.24 (q, 2H, -CH₂ of an ester and 7.1-7.3 (m, 9H, C₆H₃, C₆H₄ and 2H of thiophene ring). ³¹P-NMR (δ , ppm): -8.8; Mass: 515 (M+1), mp 132-134°C. Elemental Analysis found for C₂₀H₁₄N₅O₈ PS is C: 46.22, H: 2.33, N: 13.18, P: 5.63, S: 5.83.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The synthetic route followed for the synthesis of ethyl 3-(5-(2-oxido)-(4-substituted phenoxy)-benzodioxaphosphol-tetrazol-thiophene-2-carboxylates is presented in scheme-1.

Ethyl 3-aminothiophene-2-carboxylate (3) was prepared by reacting ethyl 2-cyanoacetate with 2,5-dihydroxy-1,4-dithiane in presence of catalytic amount of tri ethyl amine in ethanol at reflux temperature.

Ethyl 3-((3,4-dimethoxybenzylidene)amino) thiophene-2-carboxylate (5) was prepared by reacting ethyl 3-aminothiophene-2-carboxylate (3) with 3,4-dimethoxy benzaldehyde (4) in presence of few drops of acetic acid at 100°C on a steam bath. Further the Ethyl 3-((3,4-dimethoxybenzylidene)amino) thiophene-2-carboxylate (5) reacts with PCl₃ followed by sodium azide in tetrahydrofuran as a solvent affords ethyl 3-(5-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-*1H*-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylate (6). The IR spectra of ethyl 3-(5-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-*1H*-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylate (6) exhibited bands around 1415 cm⁻¹ (stretching of C-N of tetrazole ring), 1240cm⁻¹ (stretching of C-O of an ester), 1050cm⁻¹ (δ_{c-o-c} of aromatic ether) and 1157 cm⁻¹, 2120 cm⁻¹ due to stretching vibrations of tetrazole and azide respectively. ¹H NMR of (6) showed one singlet at δ 3.80 (s, 6H, two -OCH₃ groups), and 6.9-7.3 (m, 5H, 3H of C₆H₃ ring and two thiophene protons) confirming the structure of compound (6). ¹H NMR of (6) showed absence of singlet at 8.30 (s, H, C-H of azo methine group) which is present in (5) confirming its structure.

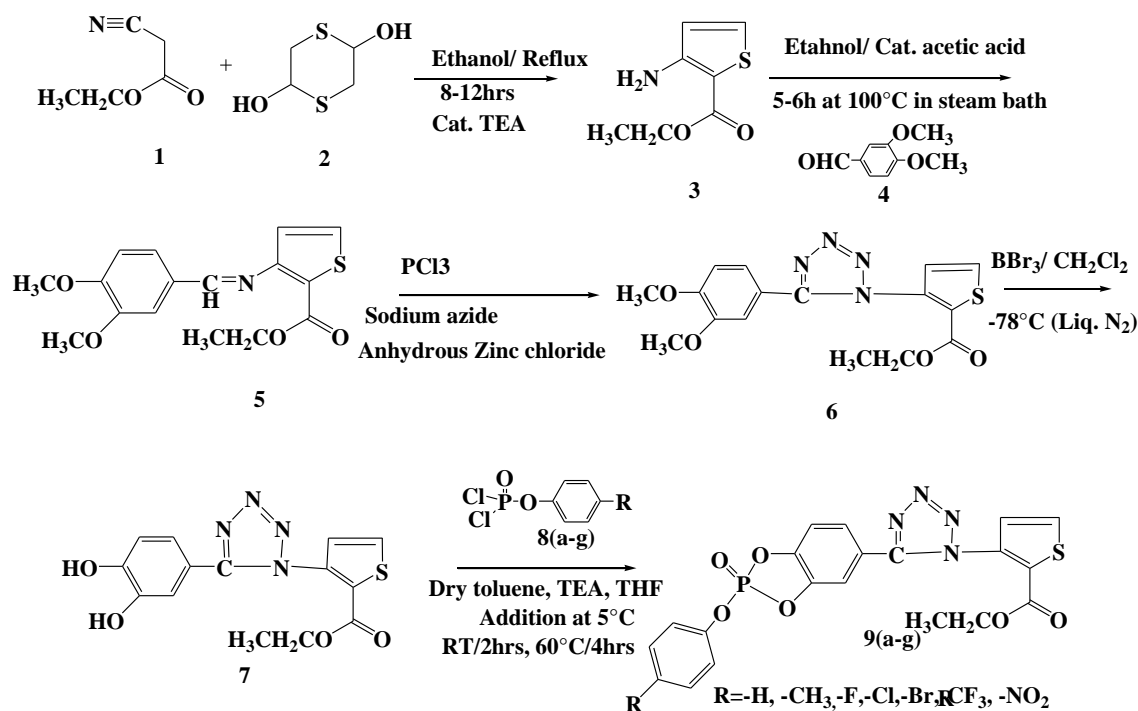
Ethyl 3-(5-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-*1H*-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylate (7) was synthesized by hydrolysis of ethyl 3-(5-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-*1H*-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylate (6) using boran tri bromide. The IR spectra of ethyl 3-(5-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-*1H*-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylate (7) exhibited bands around 3350 cm⁻¹ (intra molecular hydrogen bonding γ_{OH}) 1415 cm⁻¹ (stretching of C-N of tetrazole ring), 1240cm⁻¹ (stretching of C-O of an ester) and 1157 cm⁻¹ and 2120 cm⁻¹ (stretching vibrations of tetrazole and azide respectively). ¹H NMR showed one singlet at δ 5.6 (s, 2H, of two -OH groups) confirming the structure of ethyl 3-(5-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-*1H*-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylate (7).

Ethyl 3-(5-(2-oxido-2-(4-substituted phenoxy) benzo[d][1,3,2]dioxaphosphol-5-yl)-*1H*-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylates (9a-g) were prepared by condensing ethyl 3-(5-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-*1H*-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylate (7) with 4-substituted phenyl phosphoro dichloridates (8a-g) in presence of tri ethyl amine as base and dry toluene, THF mixture as solvent at 50-60°C. The IR spectra of ethyl 3-(5-(2-oxido-2-phenoxybenzo[d][1,3,2]dioxaphosphol-5-yl)-*1H*-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylate (9a)

exhibited bands around 1695 cm^{-1} ($\nu_{\text{C=O}}$ of an ester), 1450 cm^{-1} - 675 cm^{-1} (characteristics of thiophene ring), 1415 cm^{-1} (stretching of C-N of tetrazole ring), 1250 cm^{-1} (stretching vibration of P=O), 1050 cm^{-1} ($\delta_{\text{C-O-C}}$ of aromatic ether) and 954 cm^{-1} (stretching vibration of P-O-C_(Ar)). ^1H NMR showed multiplet at δ 6.9-

$7.3(\text{m}, 10\text{H}, \text{C}_6\text{H}_3, \text{C}_6\text{H}_5$ and two thiophene protons) confirming the structure of ethyl 3-(5-(2-oxido-2-phenoxybenzo[d][1,3,2]dioxaphosphol-5-yl)-1H-tetrazol-1-yl)thiophene-2-carboxylate (9a)

Similarly remaining analogues (9b-g) were prepared.



Scheme-1:-Synthetic path way for the preparation of (9a-g)

Biological activity: The antimicrobial activity^[11] of newly synthesized compounds was performed according to disc diffusion method, as recommended by the National Committee for Clinical Laboratory.^[12] The synthesized compounds were used at the concentration of $250\mu\text{g/ml}$. DMF as a solvent.

Antibacterial activity: The antibacterial activity^[13] of ethyl 3-(5-(2-oxido)-(4-substituted phenoxy)-benzodioxaphosphol-tetrazole-thiophene-2-

carboxylates(9a-g) were screened against the *Staphylococcus aureus* (gram positive), *Bacillus cereus*, *Escherichia coli* (gram negative) and *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* organisms. The compounds with substituents nitro (9g), trifluoro methyl (9f) and fluoro (9c) showed more activity than other substituted compounds. The antibacterial activity of (9a-g) was shown in the Table-1 and Fig-1. Here Amoxicillin is used as the reference compound to compare the activity.

Table 1: Antibacterial activity (Diameter zone of inhibition in mm) of Compounds (9a-g) ($250\mu\text{g/ml}$).

S.No	Comp	Zone of inhibition (mm)			
		<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> NCCS 2079	<i>Bacillus cereus</i> NCCS 2016	<i>Escherichia coli</i> NCCS 2065	<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> NCCS 2200
1	9a	10	5	6	8
2	9b	8	5	6	7
3	9c	14	8	10	11
4	9d	12	7	9	10
5	9e	11	6	7	11
6	9f	15	9	11	13
7	9g	17	12	13	15
<i>Amoxicillin</i>		21	27	24	22

Antifungal activity: Antifungal activity of final compounds ethyl 3-(5-(2-oxido)-(4-substituted phenoxy)-benzodioxaphosphol-tetrazole-thiophene-2-carboxylates(**9a-g**) were screened against *Aspergillus niger*, *Candida albicans*. The compounds with

substituents nitro (**9g**), trifluoro methyl(**9f**) and fluoro (**9c**) showed more activity than other substituted compounds. The antifungal activity of (**9a-g**) was shown in the **Table-2** and **Fig-2**. Here *Ketoconazole* is used as reference compound to compare the activity.

Table 2: Antifungal activity (Diameter zone of inhibition in mm) of Compounds (9a-g) (250µg/ml).

S.No	Comp	Zone of inhibition (mm)	
		<i>Aspergillus niger</i> NCCS 1196	<i>Candida albicans</i> NCCS 3471
1	9a	9	7
2	9b	7	6
3	9c	14	12
4	9d	12	10
5	9e	11	9
6	9f	16	13
7	9g	18	15
	<i>Ketoconazole</i>	22	25

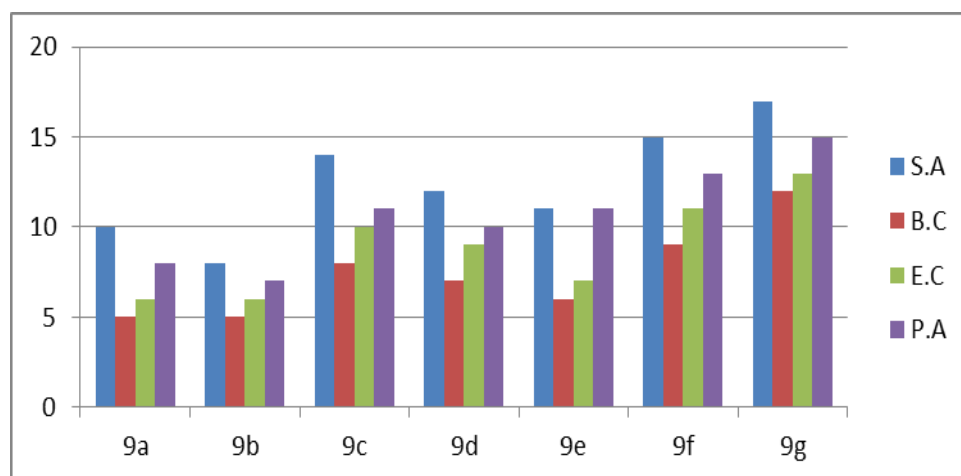


Fig 1: Antibacterial activity of compounds 9(a-g).

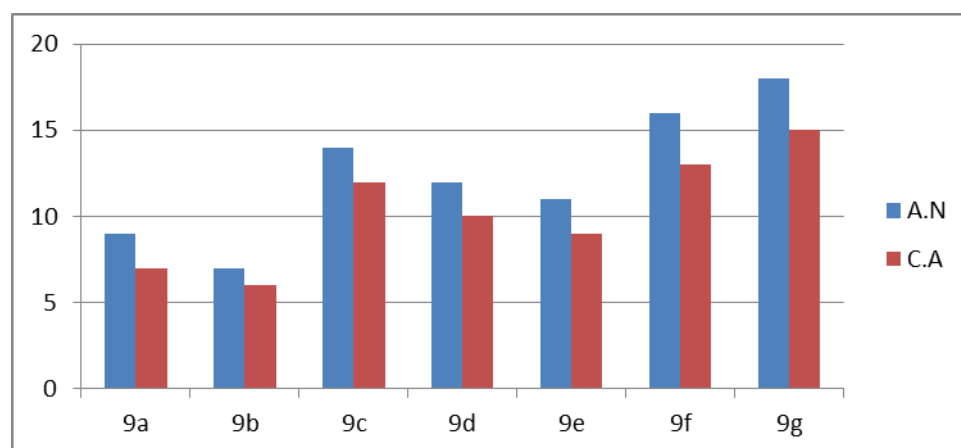


Fig. 2: Antifungal activity of compounds 9(a-g).

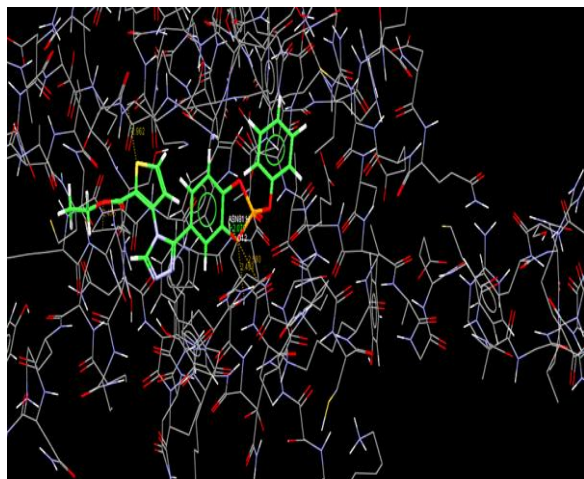
Docking Studies of the compounds (9a-g): Docking^[14] of the inhibitors (synthesized compounds) from (**9a-g**) was carried out with Reverse Transcriptase domain using GOLD (Genetic Optimization of Ligand Docking) software 3.0.1, which is based on genetic algorithm (GA). The docking studies of (**9a-g**) were carried out as model compounds on HIV reverse transcriptase.^[15] The docking

ligands were found to have some interactions between an oxygen atom of the ligands and HIV reverse transcriptase protein. The results pertaining to Docking studies were shown in the **Table-3-Table-4** and in **Fig-4**. Moreover, these docked conformations form hydrogen bond interactions with the active site of the protein. The common hydrogen bonding interactions were formed

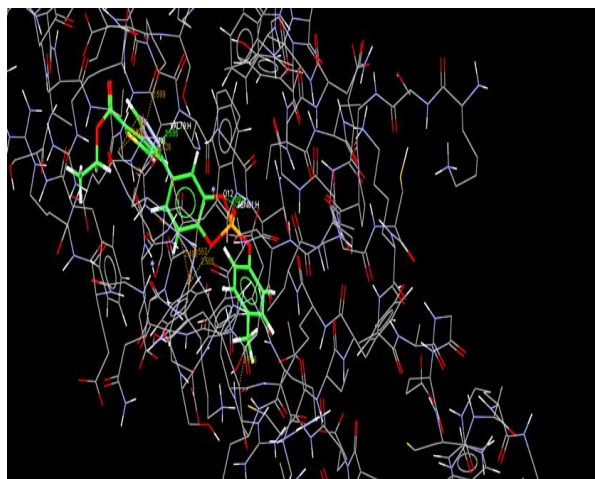
between all the docked ligands and amino acid part of the protein. The hydrogen bonding was formed between the amino acid part of the protein and active Oxygen atom of the (9a-g). The hydrogen bondings were noticed between Asparagine(81) and Valine (79). The order of protein-ligand vanderwaals score of interaction was found to be 9g>9c>9c>9d>9a>9f>9e with the protein. However the ligands fail to exhibit intramolecular hydrogen bonding with the ligand. The ligands exhibit minimum intramolecular strain. Finally, all the ligands exhibit moderate to good antimicrobial activity with protein. The order of gold score fitness value of the

ligands is 9g>9c>9c>9d>9a>9f>9e. According to gold score fitness value ligand 9g exhibits high binding activity with the protein and ligand 9e showed least binding activity with the protein. Comparative Gold Score fitness values for (9a-g) were shown in Fig.4.

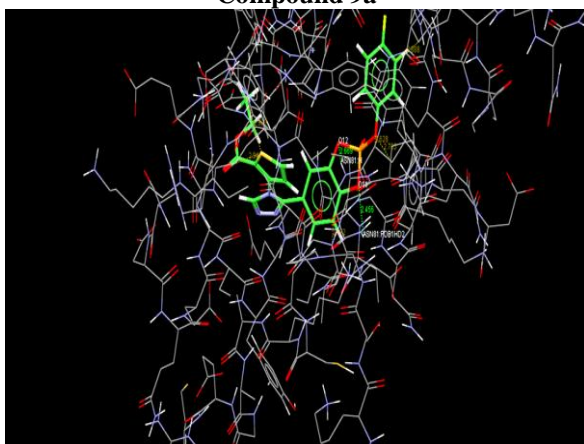
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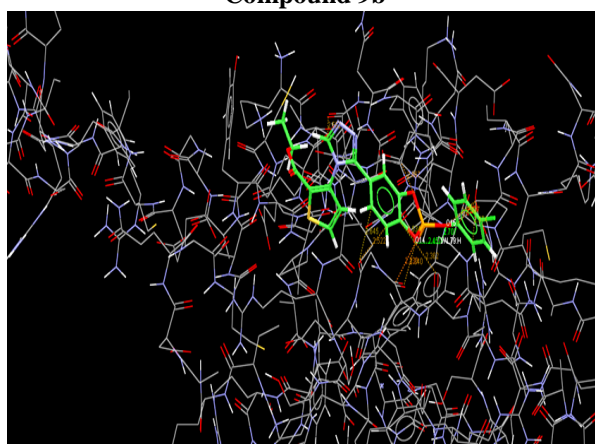
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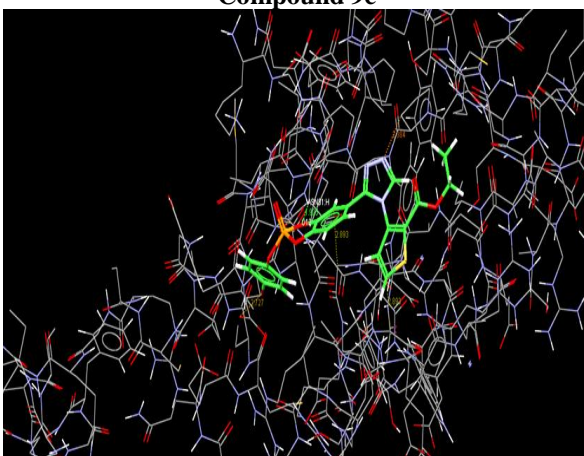
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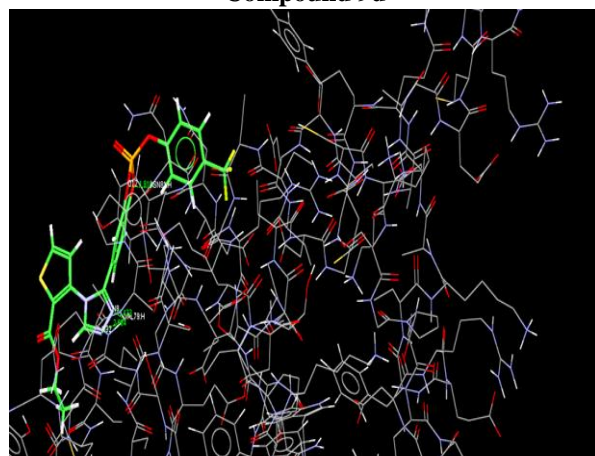
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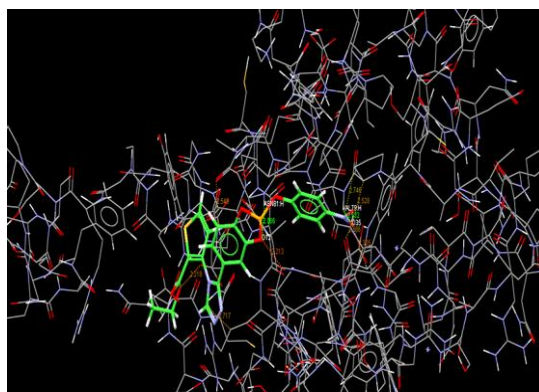
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Compound 9e



Compound 9f



Compound 9g

Fig.3: Docking studies of the compounds (9a-g).

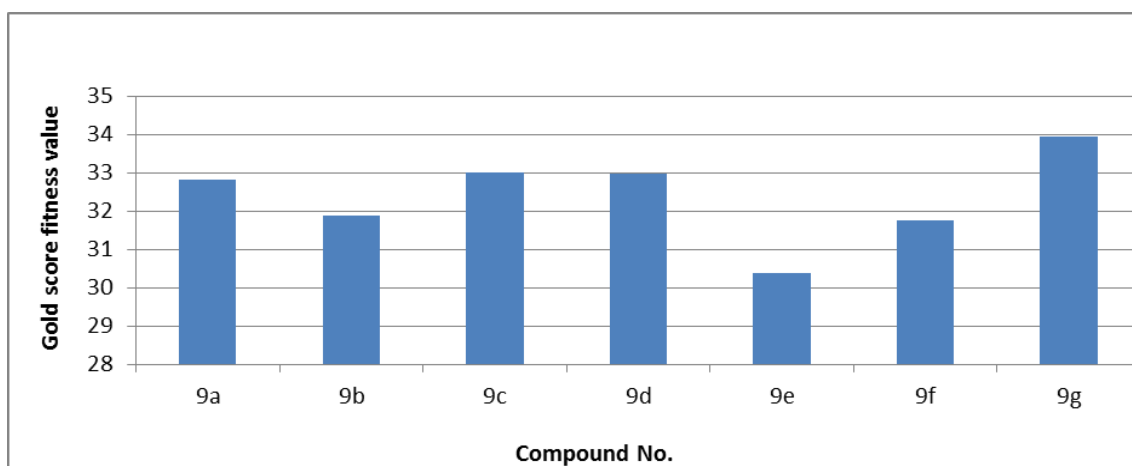


Fig.4.:Comparative Gold Score Fitness values for Compounds(9a-g)

Comp No.	R	Fitness	S(Hb_ext)	S(vdw_ext)	S(Hb_int)	S(vdw_int)
9a	H	32.82	0.36	37.56	0.00	-18.83
9b	CH ₃	31.89	0.00	35.21	0.00	-16.52
9c	F	33.00	0.00	35.41	0.00	-15.68
9d	Cl	32.98	0.00	36.99	0.00	-17.88
9e	Br	30.38	0.00	36.08	0.00	-19.22
9f	CF ₃	31.76	0.00	35.89	0.00	-17.59
9g	NO ₂	33.95	0.00	37.14	0.00	-17.11

Comp No	R	No of 'H' bonds	Compounds		Bond Length (Å ^o)	Fitness
			Protein	Atoms		
9a	H	1	ASN81:H	O12	2.079	32.82
9b	CH ₃	2	ASN81:H	O12	2.092	31.89
			VAL79:H	N8	2.535	
9c	F	2	ASN81:H	O12	2.669	33.00
			ASN81:PDB1HD2	O14	2.456	
9d	Cl	2	VAL79:H	O15	2.707	32.98
			VAL79:H	O14	2.452	
9e	Br	1	ASN81:H	O12	1.925	30.39
9f	CF ₃	3	ASN81:H	O12	1.919	31.76
			VAL79:H	N8	2.423	
			VAL79:H	N32	2.554	
9g	NO ₂	2	VAL79:H	O35	2.532	33.95
			ASN81:H	O12	2.056	

CONCLUSION

In current research work, few analogues of ethyl 3-(5-(2-oxido)-(4-substituted phenoxy)-benzodioxaphosphol-tetrazol-thiophene-2-carboxylates) were successfully prepared and characterized. Biological activity and docking studies of these compounds were also conducted. Anti microbial and docking studies reveals that ethyl 3-(5-(2-oxido)-(4-nitro phenoxy)-benzodioxaphosphol-tetrazol-thiophene-2-carboxylate (9g) showing better biological activity. This analogue can be considered as lead compound for further development.

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