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# **RESEARCH ARTICLE**

# SYNTHESIS AND CHARACTYERIZATION OF FORMAMIDINE DISULFIDE SCHIFF BASES AND THEIR CORRESPONDING 1, 3-OXAZEPINES

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#### ABSTRACT

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Schiff base, 1,3-oxazepine, Formamidine disulfide, Aldehydes, maleic anhydride, Phthalic anhydride. Thiourea was oxidized in the presence of potassium permanganate to yield formamidine disulfide. This was then reacted with various aldehydes to yield formamidine disulfide Schiff bases. Each Schiff base was then condensed with maleic and phthalic anhydride to give corresponding sevenmembered heterocyclic ring derivatives respectively. The structures were identified by their uncorrected melting point, FT-IR spectra and mass spectra fragmentation pattern.

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# **INTRODUCTION**

Schiff bases are condensation products of primary amines with carbonyl compounds and they were first reported by Schiff (Cimerman *et al.*, 2000) in 1864. The common structural feature of these compounds is the azomethine group with a general formula RHC=N-R1, where R and R1 are alkyl, aryl, cyclo alkyl or heterocyclic groups which may be variously substituted. The electrophilic carbon atoms of aldehydes and ketones can be targets of nucleophilic attack by amines. The seven (7) membered heterocyclic ring system 1,3-oxazepine has been reported in many literatures (Al-Rubaay, A.K., 2008 and Toshio *et al.*, 1977). In this work formamidine disulfide Schiff basess are synthesized and condensed with maleic and phthalic anhydrides to yield their corresponding 1,3-oxazepine derivatives.

#### Experimental

Melting points were determined on Gallen Kamp melting point apparatus and were uncorrected. The FTIR spectra were recorded with Shimadzu FTIR 8400 spectrophotometer The GC-MS spectra were recorded on GCMS-QP2010 PLUS Shimadzu, Japan

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#### Synthesis of Formamidine disulfide

Prepared acidified  $KMnO_4$  was slowly added into the conical flask containing a solution of thiourea until a purple color was obtained. After about 30-45 minutes NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and distilled water were added until the solution turned a red litmus paper blue.



# Synthesis of 1,1'{disulfanediyl bis (carbon imidoyl nitrilo (Z) methylylidene)}dibenzene

Two grams of formamidine disulfide (2) was dissolved in 5ml dilute methanol. 10ml of benzaldehyde (30) was then added into the solution in a conical flask and warm on a water bath for about 15minutes with continuous stirring. On cooling, crystals formed, filtered off, allowed to dry and melting point determined.

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Scheme 2. Reaction of FMDS and FDB

FMDS; formamidine disulfide,

FDB;

1'{disulfanediylbis(carbonimidoylnitrilo(Z)methylylidene)}di benzene

Other derivatives were prepared by the same method (see table)

Synthesis of 3 - (n - n - 4, 7 - dioxo - 2 - phenyl - 2, 3, 4, 7 - tetrahydro- 1, 3 - oxazepine - 3 carboximidoyl disulfanyl carboximidoyl) - 2 - phenyl -2, 3, 4, 7 - tetrahydro -1, 3 - oxazepine-4, 7-dione

A mixture of the prepared Schiff base, FDB (5) (0.027M) and Maleic anhydride (0.00726M) were dissolved in 20ml dry toluene and the mixture was refluxed for about 3hrs. Excess solvent was distilled and the precipitate obtained was filtered after cooling, recrystallized in ethanol and melting point was determined.



Scheme 3. Reaction of FDB with Maleic anhydride to yield FDBma

**FDB:** 1,1'{disulfanediylbis (carbonimidoy lnitrilo(Z) methylylidene)}dibenzene

**FDBma**:3-(N-N-4,7-dioxo-2-phenyl-2,3,4,7-tetrahydro-1,3-oxa zepine-3-carboximidoyldisulfanylcarboximidoyl)-2-phenyl-2,3, 4,7 -tetrahydro-1,3-oxazepine-4,7-dione

Phthalic anhydride was then used instead of maleic anhydride to prepare more 1,3-oxazepine derivatives using the same method of preparation.

## **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

Formamidine disulfide Schiff bases are prepared by condensation of formamidine disulfide with aromatic aldehydes to give the azomethine/imine compounds (Scheme 1) and identified by melting point (See Table 1), FTIR and GC-MS.

The reaction is followed by disappearance of (C=O) absorption band at (1690-1720) cm<sup>-1</sup> with the appearance of (C=N) absorption band at (1645-1649) cm<sup>-1</sup> (see Table 2). Derivatives of oxazepine are prepared by reaction of maleic anhydride with Schiff bases derivatives (Scheme 3). It was noted disappearance of the azomethine (C=N) absorption band and appearance of the (C=O) absorption band at (1670-1730) cm<sup>-1</sup>. The compounds of oxazepine derivatives are identified by m.p. (see Table 1), and other important FTIR absorptions of compounds are shown in Table 2. The reaction of maleic anhydride with various Schiff bases (9) is a type of a cyclo-addition reaction. Cyclo addition is a ring formation that results from the addition of  $\pi$  bonds to other  $\sigma$  or  $\pi$  with formation of a new  $\sigma$  bond. The reaction is initiated by attack of the azomethine nitrogen at one of the two carbonyl groups of maleic anhydride to yield the dipolar intermediate (10) which collapses to the natural species (11) which may be attributed to the fact that the combined (C=O) of the lactone and the (C=O) of the lactone in 7-membered ring.



Scheme 4. Approximate transition state (TS) geometry for addition of maleic anhydride to imine group (Al-Hadithi M.A., 2006)

It was demonstrated that the basic hydrolysis of 2,3-dihydro-1,3-oxazepine-4,7-diones is unsuccessful due to immediate reclosure on acidification to the original cyclic structure as evidenced by the fact that both the original 1,3-oxazepine-4,7dione and assumed hydrolysis product have the same m.p, FTIR, and <sup>1</sup>HMNR (Hussein et al., 2001). The absence of characteristic absorption bands of (S-S) group in some of the FT-IR spectra (FDN, FDPma and FDPpa) is been observed and reported by Brian Smith., (1998); He said, "sulfur-oxygen bonds have intense infrared bands because of their large dipole moments. However, S-S, S-H and C-S bonds have weak infrared bands because of their small (or nonexistent) dipole moments, and are sometimes difficult to detect via infrared spectroscopy. In these cases alternative forms of analysis may be necessary to determine if there is an S-S or S-H band in a sample". As noted in many literatures, molecular ions are energetically unstable, and some of them will break up into smaller pieces. The simplest case is that a molecular ion breaks into two parts (Jim Clark., 2014) as observed in (12), thus;



Molecular Weight: 416  $416 \div 2 = 208 - H^+ =$  product ion at m/z 207

The compound (12) breaks into two parts (dimeric fragmentation-(Somogyi *et al.*, 2006) with a subsequent loss of a proton,  $H^+$  to yield a monomer at m/z 207. The summary of the fragmentation pattern of (12) is shown below



FDT (14) undergoes dimeric fragmentation with a subsequent absorption of  $2H^+$  to yield a product ion at m/z 255





The product ion at m/z 340 was consequent to the loss of the protonated ion of 3,4,5-trimethoxy benzene (14). Dimer product ions at m/z 160, m/z 87 and m/z 74 were also observed in the mass spectra (15). The summary of the fragmentation pattern of FDT (14) is thus;

Although no protonated molecule  $(M+H)^+$  at m/z 306 was found in the mass fragmentation pattern of (17); adducts of the monomer at m/z 227, m/z 213, m/z 207, m/z 185, m/z 171 and of the dimer at m/z 256 were detected in the mass spectrum (18) as shown below; Considering the mass fragmentation of (19) no protonated molecule  $(M+H)^+$  of the dimer was observed in the spectrum but product ions of the monomer at m/z 355 was obtained and, subsequent fragmentation product ions at m/z 265, m/z 203 and m/z 69 were the only fragmentation product ions obtained from the spectrum (19). The small number of fragmentation product ions observed may be, probably, due to stability conferred by phthalic anhydride on the compound. The summary of the fragmentation pattern of (19) is shown below (20);



FRAGMENTATION PATTERNS IN THE MASS SPECTRA OF FDT



FRAGMENTATION PATTERNS IN THE SPECTRA OF FDNpa

(20)

Table 1. Melting Point, Yield (%), Molecular Formula and Molecular Weight

Serial No	Compound	Melting Point (°C)	Yield (%)	Molecular Formula	Molecular Weight
1	FDB	100-110	19.0	$C_{16}H_{14}N_4S_2$	326
2	FDM	160-170	32.3	$C_{18}H_{18}N_4S_2$	354
3	FDN	55-65	30.1	$C_{16}H_{12}N_6O_4S_2$	416
4	FDD	75-85	33.9	$C_{18}H_{26}N_8S_2$	418
5	FDT	70-80	32.5	$C_{22}H_{26}N_4O_6S_2$	506
6	FDP	55-65	31.8	$C_{18}H_{18}N_4O_4S_2$	418
7	FDBma	90-100	85.0	$C_{24}H_{18}N_4O_6S_2$	522
8	FDMma	145-165	84.5	$C_{26}H_{22}N_4O_6S_2$	550
9	FDNma	165-175	85.5	$C_{24}H_{16}N_6O_{10}S_2$	612
10	FDDma	65-75	84.2	$C_{28}H_{28}N_6O_6S_2$	608
11	FDTma	58-62	84.0	$C_{31}H_{32}N_4O_{12}S_2$	716
12	FDPma	38-44	81.4	$C_{26}H_{18}N_4O_{10}S_2$	610
13	FDMpa	160-166	75.7	$C_{34}H_{26}N_4O_6S_2$	650
14	FDNpa	60-70	68.5	$C_{32}H_{20}N_6O_{10}S_2$	712
15	FDDpa	88-92	73.1	$C_{36}H_{32}N_6O_6S_2$	708
16	FDTpa	65-75	77.5	$C_{39}H_{38}N_4O_{12}S_2$	818
17	FDPpa	165-175	57.9	$C_{34}H_{22}N_4O_{10}S_2$	710



Table 2. The major FT-IR absorption (cm<sup>-1</sup>) of compounds [1-17]

Figure 3b. Line no. 15; mass spectrum of fdt



#### Conclusion

In this work, schiff bases were synthesized, characterized by melting point, FTIR and mass fragmentation. They were condensed with maleic and phthalic anhydrides to give 7membered ring compounds. The structures were also identified by melting point, FTIR and mass spectra.

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