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**Abstract**

A series of thiazolo[3,2-a] pyridine derivatives **3**, **4a-d**, **9a-e**, **11a-e**, and **13** were synthesized through the interaction of 4,5-dihydro-2-ethoxycarbonyl methylidene-4-thiazolidinone **1** with the corresponding  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated nitrile compounds **2a-e**, **6a-e**, **10a-e**, and **12**, respectively. 4-Thiazolidinone derivative **1** was reacted with 2 moles of p-chlorobenzaldehyde to give **14** which was reacted with malononitrile to afford the corresponding thiazolo [3,2-a]pyridine derivative **15**. Acetylation of compound **15** with acetic anhydride furnished N-acetyl amino derivative **16**. The structures of these compounds were elucidated on the basis of their spectral data (IR, <sup>1</sup>HNMR and MS). These compounds were also screened for their antimicrobial activity against *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Bacillus subtilis*, *Penicillium italicum* and *Syncephalus trumracemosum* by using paper disc diffusion method using Chloroamphenicol and Terbifin as standard drugs.

**Keywords:** 4-Thiazolidinone; Thiazolo [3,2-a] pyridines; Antimicrobial activity

**Introduction**

Diverse biological and medicinal activities as antibacterial, antimicrobial, antifungal, anticonvulsant, anticancer, anti-tuberculosis, antihypertensive, coronary dilator and muscle relaxant activities [1-10] have been found to be associated with 4-thiazolidinone and thiazolopyridine derivatives. Thus, in the courses of our studies devoted to the synthesis of some novel heterocyclic compounds from readily available starting materials [11-19], we report here the synthesis of some novel 4-thiazolidinone **14** and thiazolo [3,2-a] pyridine derivatives **3**, **4a-d**, **9a-e**, **11a-e**, **13**, **15**, and **16**.

**Experimental**

All melting points are uncorrected. IR spectra were recorded on a Shimadzu 440 infrared spectrophotometer ( $\nu$ ;  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) using the KBr technique (Shimadzu, Japan). <sup>1</sup>HNMR spectra were recorded on a Varian Gemini spectrometer ( $\delta$ ; ppm) 200 MHz using TMS as internal standard. Mass spectra were recorded on a Jeol-JMS-600 mass spectrometer. Micro analytical data were obtained from the Micro analytical Center, Faculty of Science, Cairo University. Cairo. Egypt.

**Synthesis of 2,3,7-Trihydro-3-oxo-5-amino-6-cyano-7-aryl-8-ethoxycarbonyl-1,3-thiazolo[3,2-a]pyridine (3) and, 2,3,7-Trihydro-2-arylmethylidene-3-oxo-5-amino-6-cyano-7-aryl-8-ethoxycarbonyl-1,3-thiazolo[3,2-a]pyridine (4a-d) .**

To a solution of **1** (0.01mol) in absolute ethanol (20 ml) containing catalytic amount of piperidine (0.5 ml)  $\alpha$ -cyanocinnamionitriles **2a-e** (0.01mol) was added. The reaction mixture was heated under reflux. The solid products formed were collected by filtration and recrystallized from ethanol.

**Synthesis of 2,3,7-Trihydro-2-arylmethylidene-3-oxo-6,8-diethoxycarbonyl-5-amino-7-aryl-1,3-thiazolo[3,2-a]pyridine derivatives (9a-e).**

Equimolar amount of **1** (0.01mol) and  $\alpha$ -ethoxycarbonylcinnamionitriles **6a-e** (0.01mol) in absolute ethanol (20 ml) containing catalytic amount of piperidine (0.5 ml) was heated under reflux for 6 h. The solid products formed were collected by filtration and recrystallized from ethanol.

**Synthesis of 2,3,7-Trihydro-2-arylmethylidene-3-oxo-5-(amino, or hydroxyl) -6-(formamido, or cyano)-7-aryl-8-ethoxycarbonyl-1,3-thiazolo[3,2-a]pyridines (11a-e).**

Equimolar amount of **1** (0.01mol) and  $\alpha$ -formamidocinnamionitriles (**10a-e**) (0.01mol) in absolute ethanol (20 ml) having catalytic amount of piperidine (0.5 ml) was heated under reflux for 6 h. The solid products formed were collected by filtration and recrystallized from ethanol.

**Synthesis of 2, 3, 7-Trihydro-3-oxo-5-hydroxy--6-cyano-7-aryl-8-ethoxycarbonyl-1, 3 -thiazolo [3, 2-a] pyridine (13).**

To a solution of **1** (0.01mol) in absolute ethanol (20 ml) containing catalytic amount of piperidine (0.5 ml)  $\alpha$ -formamidocinnamionitrile (0.01 mol) was added. The reaction mixture was heated under reflux for 6 h. The solid product formed was collected by filtration and recrystallised from ethanol.

**Synthesis of ethyl-2-(5-(4-chlorobenzylidene)-4-oxo-4,5-dihydrothiazol-2-yl)-3-(4-chlorophenyl) acrylate ( 14) .**

To a solution of **1** (0.01mol) in absolute ethanol (20 mL) containing catalytic amount of piperidine (0.5 mL) p-chlorobenzaldehyde (0.02 mol) was added. The reaction mixture was heated under reflux for 4 h. The solid product formed was collected by filtration and recrystallised from ethanol.

**Synthesis of 2,3,7-Trihydro-2-(4-chlorophenylmethylidene)-3-oxo-5-amino--6-cyano-7-(4-chloro)phenyl -8-ethoxycarbonyl-1,3-thiazolo[3,2-a]pyridine (15)**

To a solution of **14** (0.01mol) in absolute ethanol (20 ml) containing catalytic amount of piperidine (0.5 ml), malononitrile (0.01mol) was added. The reaction mixture was heated under reflux for 6 h, and then allowed to cool. The solid product formed was collected by filtration and recrystallised from ethanol .

**Synthesis of 2,3,7-Trihydro-2-(4-chlorophenylmethylidene)-3-oxo-5-N-acetyl amino-6-cyano-7-(4-chlorophenyl)-8-ethoxycarbonyl-1,3-thiazolo[3,2-a]pyridine (16)** . A solution of **15** (0.01mol) was boiled in enough quantity of acetic anhydride for 3 h. The solid product formed was collected by filtration.

**Table 1. Elemental analysis of the newly synthesized compounds 3-16**

.Compd .No	Yield [%]	.Cryst Solvent	M.P [°C]	Mol. Formula (.M. Wt)	Elemental analysis		
					[%]Calcd./Found		
					C	H	N
<b>3</b>	72	EtOH	36-234	C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>14</sub> ClN <sub>3</sub> O <sub>3</sub> S (375.5)	54.33 54.20	3.72 3.79	11.18 11.30
<b>4a</b>	63	EtOH	240-42	C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>17</sub> F <sub>2</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>3</sub> S 465	61.93 62.01	3.65 3.50	9.03 8.90
<b>4b</b>	63	EtOH	188-90	C <sub>29</sub> H <sub>29</sub> N <sub>5</sub> O <sub>3</sub> S (515)	65.24 65.20	5.63 5.70	13.59 13.40
<b>4c</b>	55	EtOH	270-72	C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>19</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>3</sub> S (461)	62.47 62.30	4.12 4.10	9.11 9.00
<b>4d</b>	58	EtOH	255-57	C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>19</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>3</sub> S (429)	67.13 67.09	4.42 4.27	9.79 9.71
<b>9a</b>	71	EtOH	205-07	C <sub>26</sub> H <sub>22</sub> F <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> S (512)	60.93 60.99	4.29 4.30	5.46 5.52
<b>9b</b>	58	EtOH	196-98	C <sub>30</sub> H <sub>34</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>5</sub> S (562)	64.05 63.80	6.04 6.00	9.96 10.02
<b>9c</b>	60	EtOH	275-77	C <sub>26</sub> H <sub>24</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub> S (508)	61.41 61.49	4.72 4.79	5.51 5.45
<b>9d</b>	74	EtOH	192-94	C <sub>26</sub> H <sub>22</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>9</sub> S (566)	55.12 55.00	3.88 3.80	9.89 9.90
<b>9e</b>	52	EtOH	239-41	C <sub>26</sub> H <sub>22</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> S (545)	57.24 57.10	4.03 3.90	5.13 5.05
<b>11a</b>	70	EtOH	190-92	C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>19</sub> N <sub>3</sub> F <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> S (483)	59.62 59.50	3.93 4.01	8.69 8.50
<b>11b</b>	57	EtOH	240-42	C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>19</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> S (516)	55.81 55.90	3.68 3.60	8.13 8.10
<b>11c</b>	74	EtOH	210-12	C <sub>28</sub> H <sub>31</sub> N <sub>5</sub> O <sub>4</sub> S (533)	63.03 62.90	5.81 5.90	13.13 13.00
<b>11d</b>	67	EtOH	240-42	C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>18</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>6</sub> S (462)	62.33 62.10	3.89 3.70	6.06 5.09
<b>11e</b>	46	EtOH	226-28	C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>18</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> S (430)	66.97 66.90	4.18 4.10	6.51 6.40
<b>13</b>	72	EtOH	240-42	C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>13</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>6</sub> S (387)	52.71 52.80	3.35 3.30	10.85 10.70
<b>14</b>	69	EtOH	238-40	C <sub>21</sub> H <sub>15</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> NO <sub>3</sub> S (432)	58.33 58.40	3.47 3.30	3.24 3.10

<b>8</b> <b>15</b>	71	EtOH	258-60	C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>17</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>3</sub> S (498)	57.83 57.70	3.41 3.30	8.43 8.59
<b>16</b>	71	EtOH	188-90	C <sub>26</sub> H <sub>19</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> S (540)	57.77 57.60	3.51 3.60	7.77 7.70

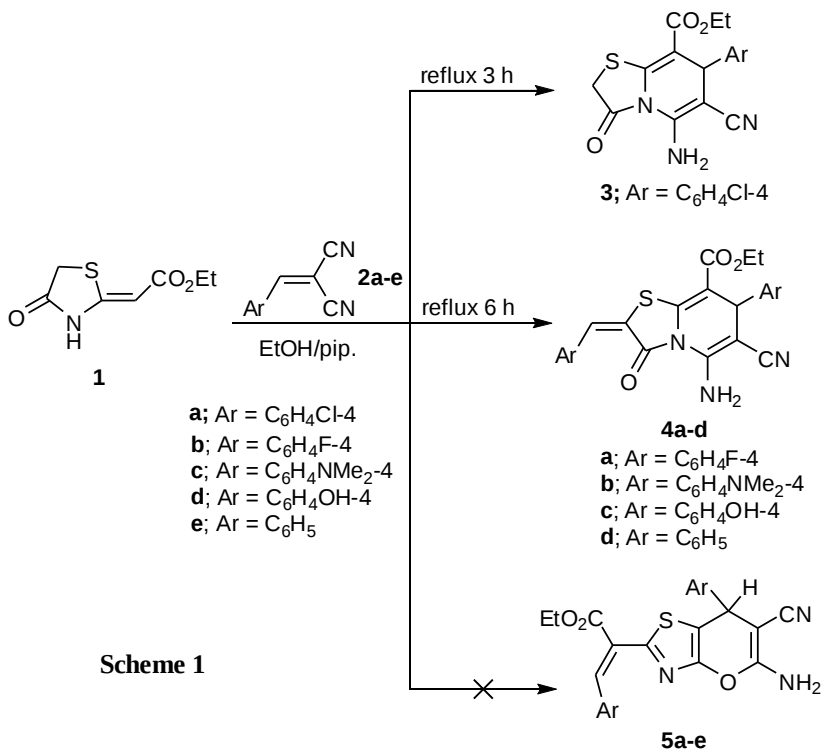
**Table 2: Spectral data of the newly synthesized compounds**

Comp. NO	IR(Cm <sup>-1</sup> ,v )	<sup>1</sup> HNMR( pm); MS: m/z (% abundance)
<b>3</b>	2206 ,(NH <sub>2</sub> ) 3370 ,3411 (C≡N) and 1714, 1692 (C=O thiazolidinone and ester)	3.79 (s, 2H, CH <sub>2</sub> ), 4.04 (q, 2H, CH <sub>2</sub> ), (t, 3H, CH <sub>3</sub> , J = 7.4 Hz) 1.03 (s, 1H, pyridine-H), 7.73-7.68 (d, 4H, Ar-H, J = 7.6 Hz), 8.76 (s, 2H, NH <sub>2</sub> )
<b>4a</b>	2180 ,(NH <sub>2</sub> ) 3370 ,3415 (C≡N) and 1715, 1693 (C=O thiazolidinone and ester)	4.03 (q, 2H, CH <sub>2</sub> , J = 8 Hz), 4.51 (s, (t, 3H, CH <sub>3</sub> , J = 8 Hz) 1.07 (s, 1H, pyridine-H), 7.10-7.75 (m, 11H, Ar-H + methine-H + NH <sub>2</sub> ) 436 (9.3), 392 (6.7), 370 (100) ,(M <sup>+</sup> , 8.5) 465
<b>4b</b>	2187 ,(NH <sub>2</sub> ) 3320 ,3425 (C≡N) and 1685 (C=O thiazolidinone and ester)	3.02,3.05 (2s, 12H, 2NMe <sub>2</sub> ) 4.03 (q, (t, 3H, CH <sub>3</sub> , J = 6Hz) 1.07 (s, 2H, CH <sub>2</sub> , J = 7 Hz), 4.11 (s, 1H, pyridine-H), 7.10-7.75 (m, 11H, Ar-H + methine-H + NH <sub>2</sub> ; exchangeable with D <sub>2</sub> O)
<b>4c</b>	2180 ,(NH <sub>2</sub> ) 3333 ,3485 (C≡N) and 1715, 1693 (C=O thiazolidinone and ester)	4.01 (q, 2H, CH <sub>2</sub> , J = 6 Hz), 4.41 (s, (t, 3H, CH <sub>3</sub> , J = 6.8 Hz) 1.04 (s, 1H, pyridine-H), 6.62-7.65 (m, 11H, Ar-H + methine-H + NH <sub>2</sub> ; exchangeable with D <sub>2</sub> O), 9.33, 9.93 (2s, 2H, 2 OH)
<b>4d</b>	2198 ,(NH <sub>2</sub> ) 3285 ,3378 (C≡N) and 1694 (C=O thiazolidinone and ester)	4.01 (q, 2H, CH <sub>2</sub> , J = 6.4 Hz), 4.41 (t, 3H, CH <sub>3</sub> , J = 6.8 Hz) 1.03 (s, 1H, pyridine-H), 6.62-7.65 (m, 13H, Ar-H + methine-H + NH <sub>2</sub> ) 352 (100), 324 (3.4), 280 (12.7), 194 ,(M <sup>+</sup> , 11) 429 (10.4)
<b>9a</b>	and ,(NH <sub>2</sub> ) 3277 ,3393 1707, 1692 (C=O thiazolidinone and ester)	3.96, 4.08 (2q, 4H, 2CH <sub>2</sub> , J ,(2t, 6H, 2CH <sub>3</sub> , J = 7.2 Hz) 1.13 ,1.06 = 6.4 Hz), 4.47 (s, 1H, pyridine-H), 6.96-7.79 (m, 10H, Ar-H + NH <sub>2</sub> ), 8.62 (s, 1H, methine-H)
<b>9b</b>	and ,(NH <sub>2</sub> ) 3246 ,3354 1704, 1683 (C=O thiazolidinone and ester)	3.01 (s, 6H, NMe <sub>2</sub> ), 3.73 (s, (2t, 6H, 2CH <sub>3</sub> , J = 7 Hz) 1.22 ,1.07 (s, 6H, NMe <sub>2</sub> ), 3.75, 3.85 (2q, 4H, 2CH <sub>2</sub> , J = 6.4 Hz), 4.40 (s, 1H, pyridine-H), 6.83-7.48 (m, 11H, Ar-H + methine-H + NH <sub>2</sub> ) 490 (31.6), 442 (100), 177(37.3) ,(M <sup>+</sup> , 24.3) 562
<b>9c</b>	and ,(NH <sub>2</sub> ) 3429 ,3468 1692 (C=O thiazolidinone and ester)	4.00, 4.03 (2q, 4H, 2CH <sub>2</sub> , J ,(2t, 6H, 2CH <sub>3</sub> , J = 5.6 Hz) 1.18 ,1.07 = 6.8 Hz), 4.40 (s, 1H, pyridine-H), 6.83-7.48 (m, 11H, Ar-H + methine-H + NH <sub>2</sub> )
<b>9e</b>	and (NH <sub>2</sub> ) 3267 ,3388 1715, 1693 (C=O thiazolidinone and ester)	3.99, 4.09 (2q, 4H, 2CH <sub>2</sub> , J ,(2t, 6H, 2CH <sub>3</sub> , J = 5.2 Hz) 1.18 ,1.08 = 7.4 Hz), 4.78 (s, 1H, pyridine-H), 7.76-8.66 (m, 11H, Ar-H + methine-H + NH <sub>2</sub> )
<b>11a</b>	and ,(NH <sub>2</sub> ) 3370 ,3415 1695, 1660 (C=O thiazolidinone, ester and amide)	4.03 (q, 2H, CH <sub>2</sub> , J = 8 Hz), 4.53 (s, (t, 3H, CH <sub>3</sub> , J = 6.8 Hz) 1.05 (s, 1H, pyridine-H), 6.37-8.61 (m ,11H, Ar-H + methine-H + NH <sub>2</sub> ), 8.85 (s, 2H, CONH <sub>2</sub> ) 436 (9.3), 392 (6.7), 370 (100) ,(M <sup>+</sup> , 8.5) 495
<b>11c</b>	and (NH <sub>2</sub> ) 3377 ,3488 1686, 1664 (C=O thiazolidinone, ester and amide)	2.88, 3.02 (2s, 12H, 2 NMe <sub>2</sub> ), 4.15 (t, 3H, CH <sub>3</sub> , J = 6.8 Hz) 1.22 (q, 2H, CH <sub>2</sub> , J = 8 Hz), 4.69 (s, 1H, pyridine-H), 6.51-7.79 (m, 11H, Ar-H + methine-H + NH <sub>2</sub> ), 8.82 (s, 2H, CONH <sub>2</sub> )
<b>11d</b>	2180 (C≡N) ,(OH) 3370 and 1693, 1664 (C=O thiazolidinone and ester)	4.12 (q, 2H, CH <sub>2</sub> , J = 7.8 Hz), 4.79 (t, 3H, CH <sub>3</sub> , J = 6.8 Hz) 1.16 (s, 1H, pyridine-H), 7.10-7.75 (m, 9H, Ar-H + methine-H), 8.90 (s, 1H, OH), 9.23 (s, 1H, OH), 9.88 (s, 1H, OH)

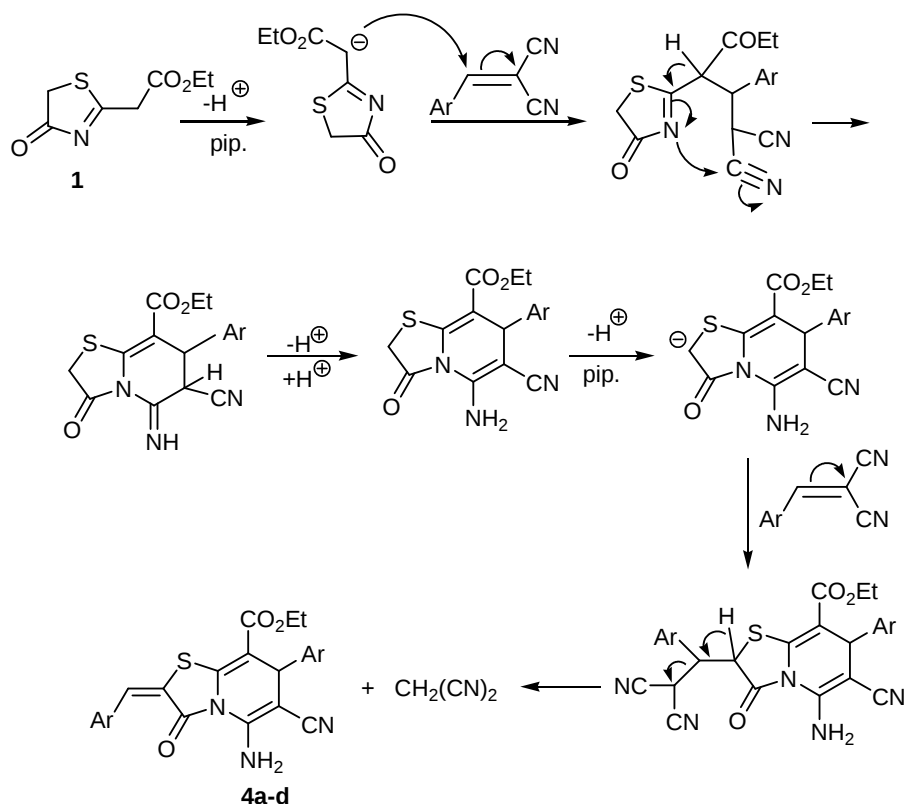
<b>16</b>	2193 $\nu$ (NH <sub>2</sub> ) 3370, 3415 (C=N) and 1725, 1693 (C=O .thiazolidinone and ester)	1.93 (s, 3H, COCH <sub>3</sub> ), 3.99 (q, 2H, $\nu$ (t, 3H, CH <sub>3</sub> , J = 7.2 Hz) 1.03 CH <sub>2</sub> , J = 6 Hz), 4.47 (s, 1H, pyridine-H) 7.09-7.76 (m, 9H, Ar-H + methine-H), 12.00 (s, 1H NH)
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## Results and Discussion

The reactivity of 4,5-dihydro-2-ethoxycarbonylmethylidene-4-oxo-1,3-thiazole (1) which was produced from the reaction of the ethylcyanoacetate and thioglycollic acid [20] towards some different  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated nitrile compounds was investigated. Thus, compounds 3 and 4a-d were produced via refluxing of compound 1 with either  $\alpha$ -cyanocinnamionitriles 2a or 2b-e in absolute ethanol catalyzed with piperidine for 3h and 6h, respectively. On the basis of elemental and spectral data these products were assigned to 2,3,7-Trihydro-3-oxo-5-amino-6-cyano-7-aryl-8-ethoxycarbonyl-1,3-thiazolo[3,2-a] pyridine (3) and 2,3,7-Trihydro-2-arylmethylidene-3-oxo-5-amino-6-cyano-7-aryl-8-ethoxycarbonyl-1,3-thiazolo[3,2-a] pyridine (4a-d) and the structure of (5a-d) was ruled out; Scheme 1.



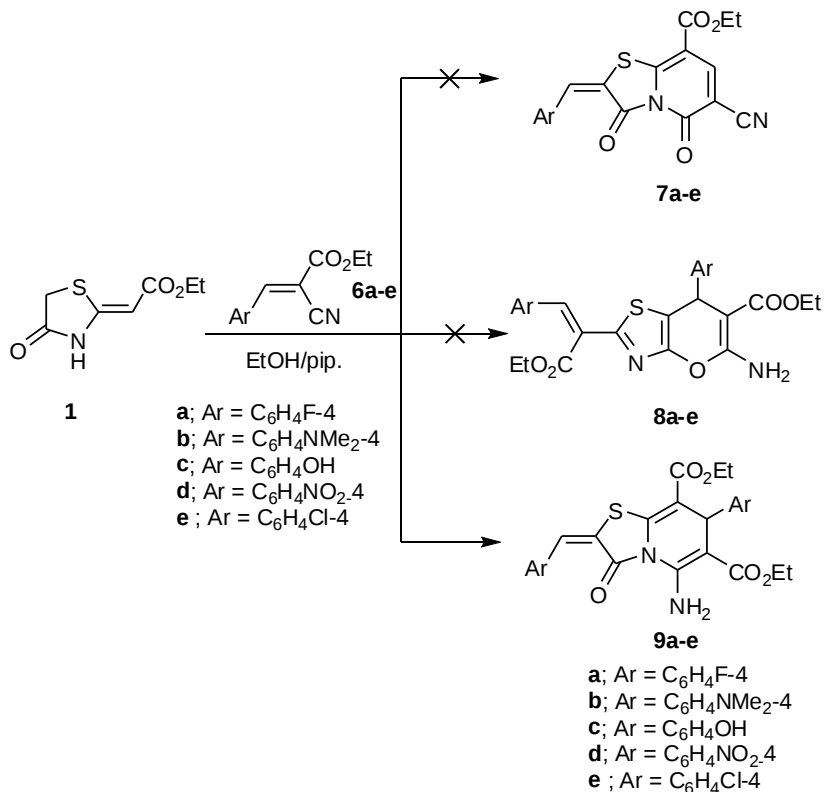
The mechanistic equations for thiazolopyridines **4a-d** formation can be illustrated as follows; Scheme 2.



**Scheme 2**

The elemental and spectral data were in agreement with thiazolo[3,2-a]pyridine structure **3**, and **4a-d**, the IR spectrum of thiazolopyridine derivative **3** exhibited intensive absorption bands for (NH<sub>2</sub>, C≡N, C=O thiazolidinone and ester functional groups) at 3411, 3370, 2206, 1714, and 1692 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. Moreover, its <sup>1</sup>HNMR spectrum revealed in addition to a characteristic signal corresponding to pyridine-H at  $\delta$  4.11 ppm, other significant signal was observed at  $\delta$  3.79 ppm (s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>.aliphatic). Also; IR spectra of compounds **4a-d** revealed intensive absorption bands for (NH<sub>2</sub>, C≡N, C=O thiazolidinone and ester functional groups).

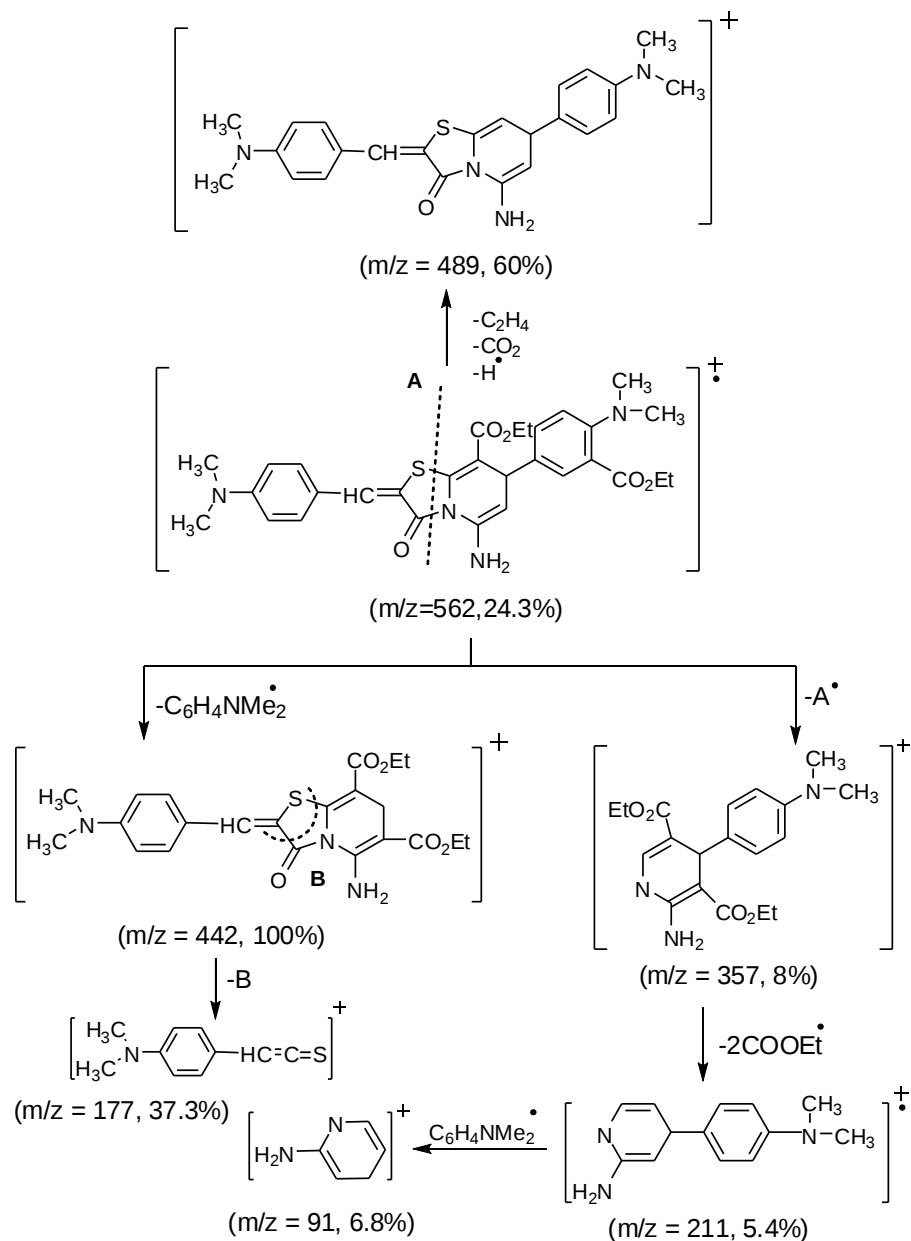
The treatment of compound **1** with  $\alpha$ -ethoxycarbonylcinnamionitriles **6a-e** in boiling ethanol containing a little quantity of piperidine for 4 h resulted in the formation of thiazolopyridines **9a-e**; Scheme 3.



Scheme 3

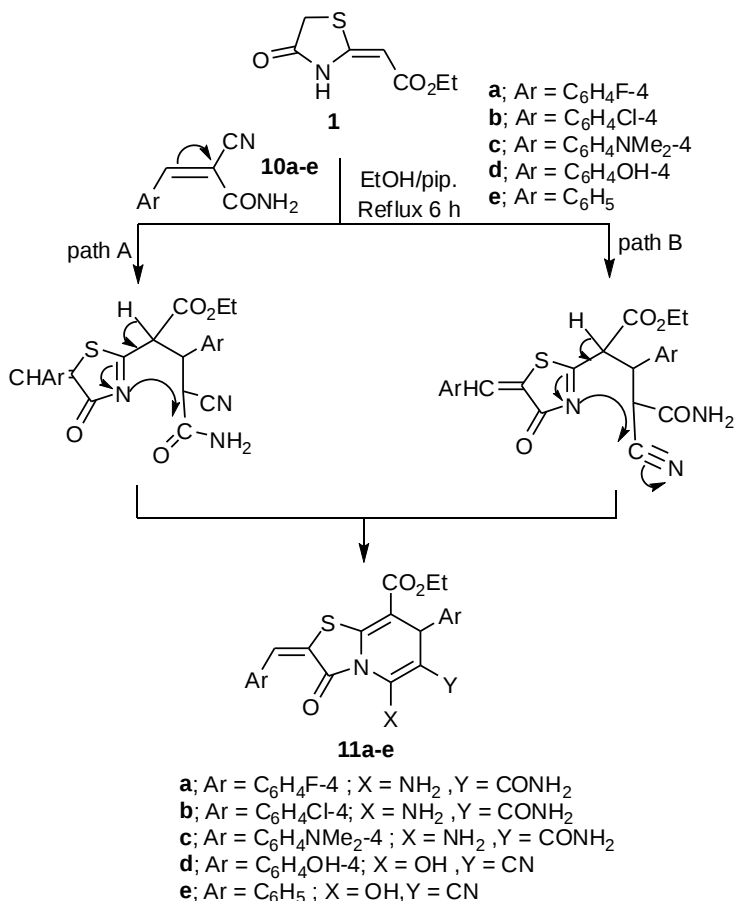
On the basis of elemental analysis and spectral data, the other possible structures **7a-e** and **8a-e** were ruled out. IR spectra of compounds **9a-e** displayed presence of absorption bands for amino groups at 3393, 3277, 3254, 3246, 3468, 3429, 3396, 3270, 3393, 3254, 3335 and 3265 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively and absence of sensitive absorption bands for (C≡N groups). Their <sup>1</sup>HNMR data showed the presence of characteristic signals for pyridine-H. Mass spectrum of (**9b**; C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>34</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>5</sub>S) showed a molecular ion peak at m/z (562; 24.3%) and a base peak was found in the spectrum at m/z (442). Also, the fragmentation pattern of compound (**9d**; C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>9</sub>S) exhibited a molecular ion peak at m/z (566; 63%) and a base peak at m/z 549. The fragmentation pattern of thiazolopyridine **9b** can be illustrated in Chart I.





**Chart (I):** Fragmentation pattern of compound (9b).

4-Thiazolidinone **1**, on refluxing with  $\alpha$ -formamidocinnamionitriles **10a-e** for 6 h, the reaction consumed 2 moles of  $\alpha$ -formamidocinnamionitriles and give products which were formulated as thiazolopyridine derivatives **11a-e** on the basis of the correct elemental and spectral data; Scheme 4.

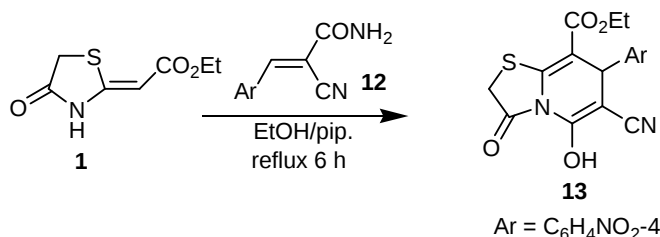


**Scheme 4**

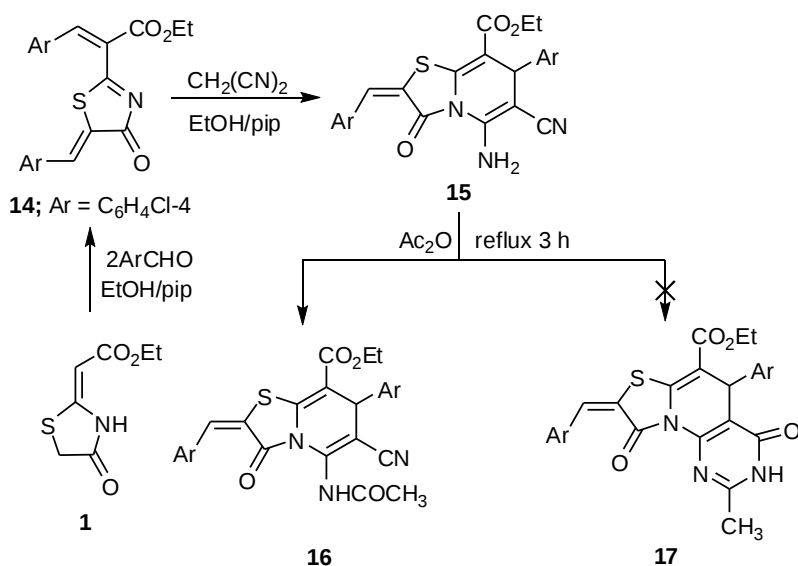
IR spectra of compounds **11a-c** showed the presence of absorption bands corresponding to (NH<sub>2</sub>, C=O amide, ester, and thiazolidinone). Whereas for compounds **11d,e** revealed absorption bands corresponding to hydroxyl and cyano functional groups at 3370, 2180, and 3393, 2193cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. Moreover; their <sup>1</sup>HNMR data displayed significant absorption signals corresponding to pyridine-H.

Mass spectrum of compound **11b** displayed a molecular ion peak at  $m/z$  471 ( $M^+ = M-OEt$ , 2.4%) and a base peak at  $m/z$  404.

In case of  $\alpha$ -formamidocinnamionitriles **12** ( $Ar = C_6H_4NO_2-4$ ), the reaction consumed one mole and a product was formulated as thiazolopyridine **13** on the basis of the analytical and spectral data.



IR spectrum of compound **13** showed the presence of absorption bands corresponding to  $(C\equiv N)$  at  $2220\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Mass spectrum for thiazolopyridine (**13**;  $C_{17}H_{13}N_3O_6S$ ) showed a molecular ion peak at  $m/z$  [ $(M^+ = M-OEt)$ ; (342; 24.4%)], and a base peak at  $m/z$  84. Thiazolo[3,2-a]pyridine **15** have the same aryl group (p-chlorophenyl) at 2 and 7 positions produced by the reaction of malononitrile with compound **14**. The structure of compound **15** was confirmed by its acetylation with acetic anhydride for 3h and gave 5-*N*-acetyl amino derivative **16**; Scheme 5.



**Scheme 5**

The structures of compounds **14-16** were deduced from their spectral and analytical data. Mass spectrum of compound (**14**; C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>15</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>S) showed a molecular ion peak at m/z (M+1; 433 ,6.7%) and a base peak was found in the spectrum at m/z (168). IR spectrum of compound **15** showed the presence of absorption bands corresponding to (NH<sub>2</sub>), (C≡N) and (C=O Thiazolidinone and ester), at 3329, 3214, 2220,1715,and 1680 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively.<sup>1</sup>HNMR spectrum of the 5-*N*-acetyl amino derivative **16** exhibited two characteristic signals at δ 1.93 ppm and 4.47 ppm arising from (s, 3H, COCH<sub>3</sub>) and (s, 1H, pyridine-H), respectively.

**Antimicrobial activity**

Most of the newly synthesized compounds (**3, 4a, 4c, 9d, 9e, 15, and 16**) were evaluated invitro for their antibacterial activity against two strains of bacteria *pseudomonas aeruginosa*, and *bacillus subtilis*. Also, the antifungal activity against *penicillum italicum*, and *syncephalas trumracemosum* using paper disc diffusion method [21] 1mg ml<sup>-1</sup> solution in dimethylformamide DMF was used. The bacteria and fungi were grown on nutrient agar and Czap-ek's –Dox agar media, respectively. DMF as a negative control zones. The agar media were incubated with different microorganism cultures tested. After 25 h of incubation at 30°C for bacteria and 48 h for fungi, the diameter of Inhibition Zone (mm) was measured. *Chloroamphenicol* and *Terbifin* used as reference drugs for antibacterial and antifungal activities, respectively. Most of the synthesized compounds were found to possess various antimicrobial activities towards all the microorganisms used (Table III).

**Table 3. Antimicrobial activity of some newly synthesized compounds.**

Compd. No.	Bacteria		Fungi	
	Bacillus Subtilis	Pseudomonas Aeruginosa	Syncephalas Trumracemosum	Penicillum talicum
3	(-)	(-)	(+)	(-)
4a	(-)	(+)	(+)	(+)
4c	(+)	(-)	(-)	(-)
9d	(-)	(-)	(+)	(+)
9e	(+)	(++)	(+)	(+)
15	(++)	(+)	(+)	(+)
16	(+)	(-)	(-)	(-)
Chloroamp-henicol	(++)			
Terbifin			(++)	

Symbols: High activity; (0.6-1.0 mm) (++).      Low activity ; (0.1-0.5 mm) (+).  
 No activity; (-).

### Conclusion

Among the series of newly synthesized 2,3,7-trihydro-2-(p-florophe-nylmethylidene)-3-oxo-5-amino-6-cyano-7-p-florophenyl-8-ethoxycarbonyl-1,3-thiazolo [3,2-a]pyridine **4a**, 2,3,7-trihydro-2(p-chlorophenylmethylidene)-3-oxo -5-amino-6-cyano-7-p-clorophenyl-8-ethoxycarbonyl-1,3-thiazolo [3,2-a] pyridine **9e**, and 2, 3, 7-trihydro-2-(p-chlorophenylmethylidene)-3-oxo-5-amino -6-cy-ano-7-(p-chloro-phenyl-8-ethoxycarbonyl-1,3-thiazolo[3,2-a] pyridine **15** showed the highest activity against *Penicillium italicum*, *Pesudomonas aeruginosa* and *Bacillus Subtilis* , respe-ctively. The highest activity may be due to the presence of p-flourophenyl and p-chlorophenyl moieties in their structures.

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