

# Comparative study of chemical synthesis of dihydropyrimidine (DHPMS) derivatives by Biginelli Reaction using microwave irradiation and conventional method

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## ABSTRACT

The majority of the drugs on the market today are entirely chemically synthesized in the laboratory. Several scientists had synthesized dihydropyrimidine (DHPMs) derivatives showing a wide spectrum of biological actions as antibacterials, antivirals as well as antitumor agents. This activity is principally due to presence of steriogenic carbon C4 in their structure. The current investigation is comparative study of chemical synthesis of two DHPMs derivatives by Biginelli Reaction using microwave irradiation and conventional method. The synthesis of DHPMs derivative involves a multicomponent reaction (aldehyde derivative, urea /thiourea and 1,3-dicarbonyl compounds) in presence of HCl / NH<sub>4</sub>Cl as a catalyst. Two derivative viz. 3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2-(1H)-ones and 3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2-(1H)-thiones were synthesized and characterized using IR. The melting points were obtained are 203 °C and 211 °C respectively. Microwave irradiation was easy and gave more yield than conventional method. This study will help to develop easy protocol for the synthesis of many more DHPMs derivative with high yield.

**Keyword:** dihydropyrimidine derivatives; Biginelli Reaction; microwave irradiation; conventional method

## 1. INTRODUCTION

The original one pot synthesis of 3,4-dihydropyrimidine-2-(1H)- ones was firstly reported by Pietro Biginelli in 1893 performing the three component cyclocondensation reaction of ethyl acetoacetate, benzaldehyde and urea under Bronsted acid catalysis<sup>1-2</sup>. However this reaction suffers from the harsh conditions, high reaction times and frequently low yields Aryl substituted 3,4-dihydropyrimidine-2-(1H)- ones<sup>3</sup> and their derivatives are an important class of substances in organic and medicinal chemistry.

Many synthetic methods<sup>4-8</sup> for preparing these compounds have been reported including classical methods, microwave irradiation and by using Lewis acids as well as protic acids.

The discovery of a new an inexpensive catalyst for the preparation of 3,4-dihydropyrimidine-2-(1H)- ones under neutral and mild conditions with high yield of prime importance. In solvent free organic reactions<sup>9</sup> reagents react together in the absence of any solvent have been reviewed as a fast developing technology.

## 2. EXPERIMENTAL

The chemicals used Benzaldehyde, Ethyl acetoacetate, urea, thiourea, methanol, ethanol, ammonium chloride, hydrochloric acid were of analytical reagent grade. Methods used for synthesis of 3,4-dihydropyrimidine-2-(1H)- ones and their derivatives are conventional method and microwave method. Melting points were determined in open capillary tubes on a Buchi 530 melting point apparatus. The IR spectra were recorded on Shimadzu 435 FT- IR spectrophotometer with samples prepared as KBr palletes.

### 2. 1. Synthesis of 5-ethoxycarbonyl-4-phenyl-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidine-2-(1H)-one/thiones by conventional method

A mixture of benzaldehyde(1mmol), ethyl acetoacetate(1mmol), urea/ thiourea (1mmol) and catalytic amount of HCl/NH<sub>4</sub>Cl was taken in round bottom flask with 30cm<sup>3</sup> methanol and reflux at 100 °C for 3 hrs. The progress of the reaction was monitored by TLC.

The mixture was cooled to room temperature and poured in cold water. the solid product was collected by filtration. The product was dried and recrystallised from hot alcohol to obtain the pure product. Product was characterized by melting point, <sup>1</sup>H NMR, IR, Mass Spectra.

### 2. 2. Synthesis of 5-ethoxycarbonyl-4-phenyl-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidine-2-(1H)-one/thiones by microwave method

A mixture of benzaldehyde(1mmol), ethyl acetoacetate(1mmol), urea/ thiourea (1mmol) and catalytic amount of HCl/NH<sub>4</sub>Cl was taken in a flask. It is then irradiated in a microwave oven 840W for required duration. Mixture is cooled to room temperature and water was added with stirring. The solid product precipitated out which was filtered. The crude product was recrystallised from alcohol. Product was characterized by melting point, <sup>1</sup>H NMR, IR, Mass Spectra.

## 3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

5-ethoxycarbonyl-4-phenyl-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidine-2-(1H)-one prepared was confirmed by IR spectra. Interpretations of these spectra were carried out in Table 1 and 2. It was also confirmed by NMR spectra. (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>) δ: 1.09 (t, 3H, J=7.1 Hz, -OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>) 2.25(s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.97(q, 2H, J=7.1Hz, -OCH<sub>2</sub>), 5.05 (d, 1H, J=2.15 Hz, -CH), 7.28 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 7.75 (s, 1H, NH), 9.20 (s, 1H, NH). Melting point was observed at 213 °C.

5-ethoxycarbonyl-4-phenyl-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidine-2-(1H)-thione prepared was confirmed by IR spectra. Interpretations of these spectra's were carried out in Table 3 and 4. Melting point was observed at 210 °C.

**Table 1.** Interpretation of IR spectra of 5-ethoxycarbonyl-4-phenyl-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidine-2-(1H)-one by conventional method.

IR range (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	Peak Intensity	Peak due to
3247.99	Sharp	N-H Stretching
3116.80	Sharp	Aromatic C-H Stretching
2980.56	Sharp	Aliphatic C-H Stretching
1725.85	Sharp	Ester
1702.16	Sharp	C=O Stretching
1650.57	Sharp	C=C Stretching
1465.18	Sharp	Asymmetric C-H bending
1270.88	Sharp	C-O Stretching
700.46	Sharp	Mono substituted benzene

**Table 2.** Interpretation of IR spectra of 5-ethoxycarbonyl-4-phenyl-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidine-2-(1H)-one by microwave method.

IR range (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	Peak Intensity	Peak due to
3245.07	Sharp	N-H Stretching
3120.60	Sharp	Aromatic C-H Stretching
2980.43	Sharp	Aliphatic C-H Stretching
1726.19	Sharp	Ester
1703.96	Sharp	C=O Stretching
1665.04	Sharp	C=C Stretching
1465.04	Sharp	Asymmetric C-H bending
1313.89	Sharp	C-N Stretching
1290.99	Sharp	C-O Stretching
700.31	Sharp	Mono substituted benzene

**Table 3.** Interpretation of IR spectra of 5-ethoxycarbonyl-4-phenyl-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidine-2-(1H)-thiones by conventional method.

IR range (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	Peak Intensity	Peak due to
3330.38	Sharp	N-H Stretching
2981.25	Sharp	Aliphatic C-H Stretching
1673.67	Sharp	C=O Stretching
1575.38	Sharp	C=C Stretching
1466.42	Sharp	Asymmetric C-H bending
1371.61	Sharp	C=N Stretching
1284.56	Sharp	C=S Stretching
1178.47	Sharp	C-O Stretching
724.25	Sharp	Mono substituted benzene

**Table 4.** Interpretation of IR spectra of 5-ethoxycarbonyl-4-phenyl-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidine-2-(1H)-thiones by microwave method.

IR range (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	Peak Intensity	Peak due to
3329.99	Sharp	N-H Stretching
2981.34	Sharp	Aliphatic C-H Stretching
1674.51	Sharp	C=O Stretching
1575.70	Sharp	C=C Stretching
1467.04	Sharp	Asymmetric C-H bending
1371.62	Sharp	C=N Stretching
1284.69	Sharp	C=S Stretching
1120.61	Sharp	C-O Stretching
724.32	Sharp	Mono substituted benzene

#### 4. CONCLUSION

The preparation of 5-ethoxycarbonyl-4-phenyl-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidine-2-(1H)-one/ thione by conventional and microwave assisted synthesis shows that by comparing the yield obtained with respect to time, the product obtained by microwave synthesis is in good yields and in less time and also avoids problems associated with solvent use.

The microwave synthesis is eco friendly. Solvent free microwave approach opens up numerous possibilities for conducting rapid organic synthesis and functional group transformations more efficiently. Additionally there are distinct advantages of these solvent free reactions. It prevents pollution in organic synthesis at source. The chemo, regio, stereoselective synthesis of high value chemical entities and parallel synthesis to generate a library of small molecules will add to the growth of microwave enhanced reactions in the future.

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