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In this study, we have investigated the deoxydative substitution reaction of 3-and 4-substituted pyridine 1-oxides with thione nucleophiles (2-thiouracil and thiourea) in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine. It was found that nicotinamide 1-oxide and 3-cyanopyridine 1-oxide reacted with thione nucleophiles to produce 2-and 6-chloro-3-cyanopyridines. Treatment of 3-phenylpyridine 1-oxide under the similar condition afforded only 2-chloro-3-phenylpyridine. The product from the reaction of nicotinic acid 1-oxide with 2-thiouracil was tentatively assigned to be [1,3]oxathiino[4,5-b]pyridine-2,4-dione. When nicotinic acid 1-oxide was treated with thiourea, methyl nicotinate 1-oxide was obtained. In addition, substitution of 4-cyanopyridine 1-oxide with 2-thiouracil afforded 3-chloro-4-cyanopyridine. In the other hand, 4-cyanopyridine 1-oxide yielded 2-chloro-4-cyanopyridine when reacted with thiourea. Treatment of 4-phenylpyridine 1-oxide with 2-thiouracil or thiourea furnished only 2-chloro-4-phenylpyridine. However, the isolated 2-chloro-3-cyanopyridine reacted with thiourea in methanol under reflux to afford 3-cyano-2(1H)-pyridinethione.

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ในการศึกษานี้เราได้ศึกษาปฏิกิริยา deoxydative substitution ของ 3-และ 4-substituted pyridine 1-oxides กับไทโอนนิวคลีโอไฟล์ (2-thiouracil และ thiourea) ใน พ่อสพ่อรัสออกซีคลอไรด์และไตรเอททิลลามีน จากผลการศึกษาพบว่า nicotinamide 1-oxide และ 3-cyanopyridine 1-oxide ทำปฏิกิริยากับไทโอนนิวคลีโอไฟล์ ได้ผลิตภัณฑ์ 2-และ 6-chloro-3-cyanopyridines ส่วน 3-phenylpyridine 1-oxide พบว่าจะให้ 2-chloro-3-phenylpyridine เท่านั้น สำหรับ nicotinic acid 1-oxide เมื่อทำปฏิกิริยากับ 2-thiouracil คาดว่าได้ [1,3]oxathiino[4,5-b]pyridine-2,4-dione แต่เมื่อทำปฏิกิริยากับ thiourea พบว่า methyl nicotinate 1-oxide นอกจากนี้ปฏิกิริยา deoxydative จะได้ผลิตภัณฑ์เป็น substitution ของ 4-cyanopyridine 1-oxide กับ 2-thiouracil พบว่าจะให้ 3-chloro-4-cyanopyridine แต่เมื่อให้ 4-cyanopyridine 1-oxide ทำปฏิกิริยากับ thiourea จะได้ 2-chloro-4-cyanopyridine ส่วน 4-phenylpyridine 1-oxide เมื่อทำปฏิกิริยากับ 2-thiouracil หรือ thiourea จะได้ผลิตภัณฑ์ 2-chloro-4-phenylpyridine เท่านั้น อย่างไรก็ตามเมื่อนำ 2-chloro-3-cyanopyridine ทำปฏิกิริยากับ thiourea ในเมทานอลซึ่งให้ความร้อนแบบ reflux พบว่าได้ผลิตภัณฑ์ 3-cyano-2(1H)-pyridinethione

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#### Chapter I

#### Introduction

#### **Background**

Pyridine and its derivatives are stable and relatively unreactive substances with strong and unpleasant odor. They are used as solvent and base<sup>1</sup>.

Pyridine possesses a tertiary amine character reacting with peracid to form an amine oxide or pyridine 1-oxide I. The new N-O bond is represented as an arrow or dipolar representation II<sup>2</sup>.

Resonance structures of pyridine 1-oxide are shown in Figure 1.

Figure 1 Resonance structures of pyridine 1-oxide

The 1-oxide group in pyridine 1-oxide has both electron-withdrawing and electron-donating effects. Consequently, pyridine 1-oxide reacts with both electrophiles and nucleophiles, resulting in a more versatile reactivity of the pyridine ring compared to pyridine itselt.

The well-established substitutions of pyridine 1-oxide 1 leading to a variety of pyridine 2 with the simultaneous loss of the 1-oxide function are summarized in Figure 2.

Figure 2 Substitution of pyridine 1-oxide leading to a variety of pyridines

Such substitutions usually require an auxiliary reagent, such as an alkylating or acylating agent, represented here by EX, where E is an electrophilic atom and X becomes a nucleofuge. The process begins after 1 is quaternized to form the salt 3. Attack by a nucleophile, Nu:, at an  $\alpha$ - or  $\gamma$ -ring position of 3 forms the neutral dihydropyridine, 4 or 5, while  $\beta$ -attack would generate the dipolar ion, 6. Aromatization is completed by the elimination of HOE to form one of the pyridine, 7, 8, or 9. Since one of the steps involves nucleophilic attack followed by the loss of the N-oxy function, these reactions are classified as **deoxydative nucleophilic substitution** shown in **Figure 3**. Form these considerations,  $\alpha$ - and  $\gamma$ -attack should predominate. This holds for many reactions but frequently a considerable quantity of a  $\beta$ -substituted pyridine is isolated also.

Figure 3 The deoxydative nucleophilic substitution reaction

Attacking nucleophiles for these substitutions can be a halide ion or oxygen, sulfur, carbon, nitrogen and phosphorus bearing nucleophiles<sup>3</sup>. Many ways to introduce an oxy function into the pyridine ring, for example, reaction of pyridine 1-oxides with acetic anhydride afford pyridyl acetates, which are readily hydrolyzed to either pyridones or pyridinols<sup>4</sup>. Pyridine 1-oxides reacted with chlorinating agents such as sulfuryl chloride, phosphorus oxychloride and phosphorus pentachloride to yield essentially 2-and 4-chloro-substituted pyridines<sup>5</sup>. In addition, the reaction of pyridine 1-oxides with thiols in acetic anhydride furnished pyridyl sulfides<sup>3</sup>.

The deoxydative substitutions of pyridine 1-oxides by a variety of nucleophiles were reported, but for thione nucleophile has not yet been studied. Thus, this attracts our attention to investigate the deoxydative substitution of some pyridine 1-oxides with thione nucleophiles.

#### **Objectives**

- 1. To study the deoxydative substitution of pyridine 1-oxides by thione nucleophiles (2-thiouracil and thiourea) in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine
  - 2. To elucidate the structure of products by using spectroscopic methods

#### **Benefits**

- 1. To obtain pure compounds from the reaction of pyridine 1-oxides and thiones in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine
- 2. The obtained compounds will be further evaluated for biological activities and toxicity.

## Scopes

1. Pyridine 1-oxides used for this study are 3-and 4-substituted pyridine 1-oxides as shown.

R = 3-COOH, 3-CONH<sub>2</sub>, 3-CN, 3-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>

R = 4-COOH, 4-CONH<sub>2</sub>, 4-CN, 4-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>

- 2. Thiones used are 2-thiouracil and thiourea.
- 3. Isolation and purification of the products was performed by chromatographic techniques and recrystallization.
- 4. Structure elucidation of the obtained compounds was carried out using infrared spectroscopy, nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy and mass spectrometry.

#### Chapter II

#### Literature Review

In this chapter, the deoxyadative substitution of pyridine 1-oxides by chlorinating agents, thiols, and some related reactions of thiones will be reviewed, including the bioactivity of some pyridine derivatives.

#### 1. Deoxydative Substitution of Pyridine 1-oxides by Chlorinating Agents

Generally, pyridine 1-oxides reacted with phosphorus pentachloride, phosphorus oxychloride and sulfuryl chloride to give a mixture of 2-and 4-chloropyridines. Presumably the pyridinium salt 10 was formed first, which was attacked by chloride ion to give intermediates 11 and 12. Further loss of phosphoryl chloride (POCl<sub>3</sub>) and hydrogen chloride afforded 2-and 4-chloropyridines 13 and 14 as shown in Figure 4.

Figure 4 The reaction of pyridine 1-oxide with phosphorus pentachloride

Some other reactions are outlined in **Figure 5**. Treatment with phosphorus oxychloride, 2-chloropyridine 1-oxide **15** gave 2,6-dichloropyridine <sup>6</sup>**16**. However, 2-picoline 1-oxide **17** reacted with the same reagent to produce only 4-chloro-2-picoline **18**<sup>7</sup>. 3-Picoline 1-oxide **19** furnished a mixture of 2-, 4- and 6-chloro-3-picolines <sup>8</sup>. Furthermore, the reaction of 4-substituted pyridine 1-oxides (R= CH<sub>3</sub>, CONH<sub>2</sub>, COOC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>) with a mixture of POCl<sub>3</sub> and PCl<sub>5</sub> only gave 2-chloropyridine derivatives <sup>5, 2, 8</sup>. The product isolated from the reaction of isonicotinamide 1-oxide (**23**, R = CONH<sub>2</sub>) was 2-chloro-4-pyridinecarbonitrile (**24**, R = CN) as a result of dehydration of the amide group <sup>5</sup>. Some typical reactions of pyridine 1-oxides with PCl<sub>5</sub> and POCl<sub>3</sub> are summarized in **Table1**.

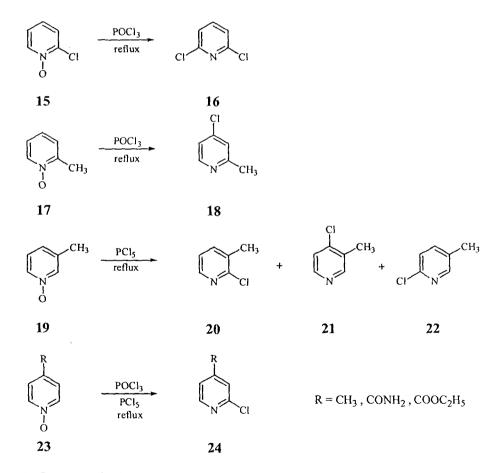


Figure 5 Some typical reactions of pyridine 1-oxides with phosphorus oxychloride and phosphorus pentachloride

Table 1 Reaction of pyridine 1-oxides with PCl<sub>5</sub> or POCl<sub>3</sub>

D	<b>D</b>	Distril	bution of Is	*** *			
R	Reagent -	2 or 6	4	3	Yield, %	References	
Н	PCl <sub>5</sub>	42	58	-	13	6, 8	
Н	POCl <sub>3</sub>	68	32	-	62	6, 8	
2-C1	POCl <sub>3</sub>	100	-	-	91	6, 8	
2-CH <sub>3</sub>	POCl <sub>3</sub>	-	100	-	-	7	
3-CH <sub>3</sub>	PCl <sub>5</sub>	48ª	52	-	30	6, 8	
3-CH <sub>3</sub>	POCl <sub>3</sub>	56 <sup>b</sup>	44	-	97	6, 8	
3-СООН	PCl <sub>5</sub> or POCl <sub>3</sub>	100	-	-	-	9	
3-NO <sub>2</sub>	POCl <sub>3</sub> /PCl <sub>5</sub>	100	~	-	45	10	
4-CH <sub>3</sub>	POCl <sub>3</sub>	100	-	-	34	6, 8	
4-CONH <sub>2</sub>	PCl <sub>5</sub> /POCl <sub>3</sub>	100	-	-	50-60	5	
4-COOC <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	POCl <sub>3</sub>	100	-	-	70	6, 8	
4-CN	POCl <sub>3</sub> /PCl <sub>5</sub>	_	<u>-</u>	100	73	5	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Ratio of substitution at C-2 and C-6 was 28:20.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup>Ratio of substitution at C-2 and C-6 was 31:25.

In 1978, Rokach and co-worker reported unexpected result from the reaction of 4-cyanopyridine 1-oxide 25 with phosphorus oxychloride containing phosphorus pentachloride. The product from such reaction was 3-chloro-4-cyanopyridine 26 in good yield<sup>5</sup>. A mechanistic interpretation of the result was proposed *via* a chloride attack at the 4-position of pyridinium salt 25a as the main feature shown in Figure 6.

Figure 6 The reaction of 4-cyanopyridine 1-oxide with phosphorus oxychloride and phosphorus pentachloride

In 1986, Moran and co-worker reported the deoxydative substitution reaction of bipyridine 1-oxides. It was found that 3,3'-bipyridine 1-oxide 128 reacted with phosphorus oxychloride to provide a mixture of 2-chloro-3,3'-bipyridine 29 (50%) and 6-chloro-3,3'-bipyridine 30 (50%). Similarly, the reaction of 2,2'-bipyridine 1-oxide 32 afforded a 1:1 mixture of 6-chloro-2,2'-bipyridine 33 and 4-chloro-2,2'-bipyridine 34 as shown in Figure 7. The starting 1-oxides 27 and 31 were prepared by general procedure using  $H_2O_2$  oxidation.

Figure 7 The deoxydative substitution reaction of bipyridine 1-oxides

In 1990, Singh and co-workers reported that phosphorus oxychloride reacted with 2,6-dimethylpyridine 1-oxide hydrochloride 35 to yield a mixture of 2-(chloromethyl)-6-methylpyridine 36 and 4-chloro-2,6-dimethylpyridine 37<sup>12</sup>. Treatment of this mixture with triethylamine, 35 was converted to quaternary salt 38 which was separated by water extraction as shown in Figure 8.

**Figure 8** The reaction of 2,6-dimethylpyridine 1-oxide hydrochloride with phosphorus oxychloride

In 2001, Jung and co-worker reported the selective 2-chlorination of pyridine 1-oxide 1. It was found that 1 reacted with phosphorus oxychloride in the presence of a stoichiometric amount of triethylamine<sup>13</sup> to furnish 2-chloropyridine 13 as shown in Figure 9. Other chlorinating agents such as sulfuryl chloride, p-toluenesulfonyl chloride, trichloroacetyl chloride, benzenesulfonyl chloride and methanesulfonyl chloride also produced 2-chloropyridine, albeit in moderate yield.

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Figure 9 Preparation of 2-chloropyridine

#### 2. Deoxydative Substitution of Pyridine 1-oxides by Thiols

This section reviews the reaction of pyridine 1-oxides with thiols in the presence of various acylating agents. The deoxydative substitution of pyridine 1-oxides by thiols were studied extensively by Bauer et al. The major products were found to be pyridyl sulfides. The acylating agents or quaternizing agents can be acid chlorides, such as acetyl, benzoyl, diethylcarbamyl chlorides, and acid anhydride 17.

It was discovered that acetic anhydride was a convenient solvent and reagent for these reactions<sup>19</sup>. The majority of the reaction of pyridine 1-oxides with thiols in acetic anhydride gave a mixture of 2-and 3-pyridyl sulfides, **40** and **41**, respectively. The results are summarized in **Table 2**. Besides these sulfides, some tetrahydropyridyl sulfides were also isolated in selected reactions.

Table 2 Substitutions of pyridine 1-oxides with thiols in acetic anhydride, with or without triethylamine

	R'	Addition of N(C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> -	Distribution of isomers at						
R			a-carbons		β-carbons		Ratio attack	Yield, %	References
			C-2	C-6	C-3	C-5	α:β		
Н	CH,	-	52		48		52:48	38	19
Н	n-C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>7</sub>	-	76	-	24	-	76:24	46	19
Н	n-C₄H <sub>9</sub>	-	61	-	39	-	61:39	67	19
Н	t-C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub>	-	70	-	30	-	70:30	62	19
Н	I-Adm	-	68	~	32	-	68:32	44	22
2-CH <sub>3</sub>	t-C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub>	-	-	84	-	16	84:16	32°	19
3-CH <sub>3</sub>	t-C₄H,	-	45	19	•	36	64:39	66	19, 21
3-CH,	t-C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub>	yes	61	34	-	5	95:5	20	19, 21
4-CH <sub>3</sub>	t-C₄H <sub>9</sub>		71	-	29	~	71:29	41 <sup>b</sup>	19, 21
4-CH <sub>3</sub>	t-C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub>	yes	82	-	18	-	82:18	33	19, 21
4-C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	t-C₄H <sub>9</sub>		67	•	33	-	67:33	49	21
4-C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	t-C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub>	yes	87	-	13	-	87:13	32	21
4-i-C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>2</sub>	t-C₄H <sub>9</sub>	-	62	-	38	-	62:38	61	21
4-i-C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>7</sub>	t-C₄H <sub>9</sub>	yes	80	-	20	-	80:20	39	21
4-t-C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub>	t-C₄H,	-	83	•	17	•	83:17	48	19, 20
4-t-C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub>	t-C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub>	yes	96	-	4	-	96:4	48	19, 20
4-t-C₄H <sub>9</sub>	1-Adm	-	98	-	2		98:2	48	19, 20
4-C6H5	t-C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub>	-	44	-	56	-	44:56	18	19
2,6-(CH3)2	t-C₄H₀	-	-	-	-		-	0,	19
3,4-(CH3)2	t-C₄H <sub>9</sub>	-	48	23	-	29	71:29	35 <sup>d</sup>	19
3,5-(CH3)2	t-C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub>	-	100	-	-	-	100:0	66	19

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>The yield of an accompanying active methylene substituted sulfides was 10%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup>The yield of an accompanying active methylene substituted sulfides was 3%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup>The yield of an accompanying active methylene substituted sulfides was 1%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>d</sup>The yield of an accompanying active methylene substituted sulfides was 1%

The substitution was postulated to proceed *via* the mechanisms outlined in Figure 10. After formation of 1-acetoxypyridinium acetate 42, attack of the thiol at C-2 gave rise to the 1,2-dihydropyridine intermediate 43. Ultimately, the loss of the acetic acid from 43 led to either 2- or 3-pyridyl sulfides, 40 or 41. It was suggested that 43 separated into an ion pair 44. Loss of a proton from 44 furnished 2-pyridyl sulfides 40.

Neighboring group participitation of the intermediate 44c led to episulfonium ion 45. Subsequent migration of the sulfide moiety to C-3 position produced 46. Finally loss of acetic acid from 46 provided 3-pyridyl sulfides 41.

Figure 10 Synthesis of 2- and 3-pyridyl sulfides

In 1985, Prachayasittikul and co-workers reported that the reaction of nicotinamide 1-oxide 47 with 1-adamantanethiol(1-AdmSH) in acetic anhydride afforded a mixture of 2-and 6-(1-adamantylthio)nicotinamides 48 and 49 (49%, in the ratio of 24:1) and 2-, 5-, and 6-(1-adamantylthio)nicotinonitriles 50, 51 and 52 (18%, in the ratio of 79:1:20)<sup>23</sup>. Similarly, the reaction of nicotinic acid 1-oxide 53 with 1-adamantanethiol, there was isolated 2-(1-adamantylthio)nicotinic acid 54 as the only sulfide in 23% yield as shown in Figure 11.

Figure 11 The deoxydative substitution reaction of nicotinamide and nicotinic acid

1-oxides with 1-adamantanethiol in acetic anhydride

In 1991, Prachayasittikul and co-workers reported that substitutions of 2-, 3- and 4-substituted pyridine 1-oxides by 1-adamantanethiol in acetic anhydride took place at available  $\alpha$ -, to a lesser degree at  $\beta$ -, and rarely at  $\gamma$ -ring carbons<sup>24</sup>. It was found that 2-phenylpyridine 1-oxide 55 produced a mixture of 5- and 6-(1-adamantylthio)-2-phenylpyridines 56 and 57. Similarly, the reaction of

4-phenylpyridine 1-oxide 60 afforded a mixture of 2- and 3-isomeric sulfides 61 and 62.

Substitution of the 1-oxide of 3-phenyl 63 by 1-adamantanethiol in acetic anhydride led to a mixture consisting predominantly of 2- and 6-sulfides 64 and 65, and to a lesser extent, the 5-sulfide 66 as depicted in Figure 12. When triethylamine was present in otherwise identical reaction mixture, the ratio of  $\alpha$  to  $\beta$ -sulfides increase.

Figure 12 The deoxydative substitution reaction of 2, 3, and 4-phenylpyridine 1-oxides with 1-adamantanethiol in acetic anhydride

#### 3. Substitution of Halopyridines by Thiones and Related Reactions

In 1995, Ho and Wang reported that 2-chloropyridines 67 reacted with thiourea in refluxing ethanol<sup>25</sup> to provide the corresponding 2-pyridothiones 68 as depicted in Figure 13.

Figure 13 The reaction of 2-chloropyridines with thiourea in refluxing ethanol

It is well known that the reaction of 2- and 4- halopyridines with alkyl sulfide
ion affords the corresponding pyridyl sulfides.

In 2001, Miroslav and co-workers reported that 2-chloro-4-cyanopyridine 69 reacted with sulfide ion to yield 2-alkylthio-4-cyanopyridine 70. Treatment of the sulfide 70 with ethanolic sodium hydroxide solution afforded the 2-alkylthio-4-pyridinecarboxylic acid<sup>26</sup> 71 as shown in Figure 14.

CN COOH

RSTNa<sup>+</sup>

N SR

$$\frac{1) \text{ NaOH}}{2) \text{ HCl}}$$

R = C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub>,  $i$ C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>9</sub>, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>11</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>

Figure 14 Synthesis of 2-alkylthio-4-pyridinecarboxylic acid

Similarly, nucleophilic displacement of chlorothienopyridine by thiol was reported, in 2001 by Stewart and co-workers. For example, 4-chlorothieno[3,2-c] pyridine 73 was substituted by 4-methylthiophenol, using potassium *tert*-butoxide as base, to provide sulfide<sup>27</sup> 74 in 97%. The final partial hydrolysis was carried out using polyphosphoric acid at 110°C for 3 h to give amide 75 in 75% yield as shown in

Figure 15. The chloro compound 73 was prepared in 73% by treatment of thieno [2,3-b]pyridin-4-one 72 with phosphorus oxychloride.

Figure 15 Nucleophilic displacement of chlorothienopyridine by thiol

Morever, nucleophilic displacement of 1,4- dihydropyridine by thiol was reported by Suarez and co-workers in 1997. It was found that o-chloroformyl substituted 1,4-dihydropyridine 76 reacted with an equimolecular amount of ethyl mercaptoacetate in the presence of sodium ethoxide and dry ethanol under reflux to afford the novel 4,7-thieno[2,3-b]pyridines<sup>28</sup> 77a-d. The reaction took place by nucleophilic attack of the thiolate ion, generated in the alkaline medium, at the carbon bearing the chlorine atom. Subsequent, 5-exo-trig cyclization and dehydration afforded the compounds 77a-d as shown in Figure 16.

MeO<sub>2</sub>C CHO

HSCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Et

EtONa/EtOH

reflux

MeO<sub>2</sub>C

H<sub>3</sub>C

N

S

CO<sub>2</sub>Et

T

T

a: X=H

b: X=
$$o$$
-Cl

c: X= $m$ -NO<sub>2</sub>

d: X= $p$ -CO<sub>2</sub>Me

Figure 16 Nucleophilic displacement of 1,4-dihydropyridine by thiol

Similarly, the reaction of 2- chloroquinoline with thiourea was reported by Hafez and co-workers in 1996. For example, treatment of 2-chloroquinoline derivative 79 with thiourea in boiling ethanol gave the 3-cyano-4-methylquinolin-2(1H)-thione<sup>29</sup> 80. The starting 2-chloroquinoline 79 was prepared from the reaction of 3-cyano-4-methylquinolin-2(1H)-one 78 with phosphorus oxychloride as shown in Figure 17.

Figure 17 Synthesis of 3-cyano-4-methylquinolin-2(1H)-thione

In 1997, Itahara reported that treatment of 2,4-dithiouracil 81 with diiodomethane or dibromomethane in the presence of sodium hydride in N,N-dimethylformamide gave a mixture of the thiapyrimidinophanes<sup>30</sup> 82a and 83a. However, it was not an easy way to isolate both compounds in the pure state. When the mixture was subjected to HPLC, compound 82a was isolated. Attempts were made to isolate 83a by HPLC, but found unsuccessful. Under the similar conditions, the reaction of 2,4-dithiouracil with 1,3-diiodopropane afforded 84 and a mixture of 82b and 83b. Further separation of the mixture by HPLC resulted in the isolation of 83b as depicted in Figure 18.

Figure 18 Preparation of thiapyrimidinophanes from 2,4-dithiouracil

#### 4. Bioactivity of Pyridine Derivatives and Related Compounds

This section briefly reviews some of the bioactivities of pyridine derivatives and related compounds.

Many synthetic pyridine derivatives and some 1-oxides are important as therapeutic agents, for example, isoniazide 85 is an antituberculosis agent, sulphapyridine 86 is one of the sulfonamide antibacterials and N-hexyl-1,2-dihydro-2-thioxo-3-pyridinecarbothioamide 87 also exhibited antibacterial activity. Chloroquine 88 is the drug for treatment of acute malaria. A number of 2-thioxopyrido[3',2':4,5]thieno[3,2-d]pyrimidin-4(3H)-ones 89 displayed antiinflammatory activity 33.

NHNH2

85

NH-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>13</sub>

87

CH<sub>3</sub>

NEt<sub>2</sub>

Ph
H
S
NH-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>13</sub>

88

87

R
$$=$$
A-CH-C-H-A-OCH-C-H

$$R = 4-CH_3C_6H_4, 4-OCH_3C_6H_4$$

$$R_1 = n-C_4H_9, C_6H_5$$

Furthermore, pyridine 1-oxide and sulfoxide or sulfone derivatives have proved to be herbicides<sup>34</sup>. Representative structures are sulfones **90** (R is alkyl or aryl, and  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  are  $C_1$  to  $C_4$  alkyl groups), including sulfoxides **91** (X is alkyl, aryl or nitro) and **92** (R is alkyl). Some fungicides such as davicil **93** is also pyridine derivative.

In addition, 2,6-diamino-4-methyl-3-pyridinecarbonitrile **94** and 3-cyano-4,6-dimethyl-2(1*H*)-pyridinethione **95** have found application in the dyeing <sup>35,36</sup>.

$$R_1$$
  $R_2$   $R_2$   $R_3$   $R_4$   $R_5$   $R_5$ 

## **Chapter III**

## **Experimental**

#### Chemicals

- nicotinamide 1-oxide
- nicotinic acid 1-oxide
- 3-cyanopyridine
- 3-phenylpyridine
- 4-cyanopyridine 1-oxide
- 4-phenylpyridine 1-oxide
- isonicotinic acid 1-oxide
- isonicotinamide
- 2-thiouracil
- thiourea
- phosphorus oxychloride
- triethylamine
- anhydrous sodium sulfate
- anhydrous sodium carbonate
- hexane, chloroform, dichloromethane, acetone, ethyl acetate and methanol (commercial grade, all solvents were distilled prior to use)
- silica gel for column chromatography
  silica gel (0.063-0.200 mm Merck 1.07734.2500)
- silica gel for thin layer chromatography
   silica gel 60GF<sub>254</sub> (Merck 7730.1000)

#### **Instruments**

Melting points were determined on electrothermal melting point apparatus (Electrothermal 9100) and reported without correction.

<sup>1</sup>H-Nuclear magnetic resonance (<sup>1</sup>H NMR) spectra were recorded on a Bruker Advance-300 (300 MHz) using deuterochloroform and dimethylsulfoxide d<sub>6</sub> as solvents with tetramethylsilane as an internal standard. <sup>13</sup>C-Nuclear magnetic resonance (<sup>13</sup>C NMR) spectra were recorded on a Bruker Advance-300 (75 MHz) using deuterochloroform and dimethylsulfoxide d<sub>6</sub> as solvents with tetramethylsilane as an internal standard. Infrared spectra (IR) were obtained on a Perkin Elmer FT- IR Spectrum BX and JASCO A-302 spectrometers. Mass spectra were determined using a Finnigan INCOS.50, MAT.90 and Thermofinnigan Polaris Q instruments.

#### Methods

#### Preparation of 3-cyanopyridine 1-oxide<sup>37</sup>

A solution of 3-cyanopyridine 96 10.1196 g (0.0972 mol) and *m*-chloroperbenzoic acid 16.7877 g (0.0972 mol) was stirred in chloroform (100 mL) at room temperature until the starting material disappeared on thin layer chromatography plate. The solution was poured into water (50 mL) and made basic with solid sodium carbonate. The solution was extracted with chloroform(3×100 mL), and the extracts were combined, dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and evaporated *in vacuo* to dryness to give crude product (9.477 g). The crude product was purified by silica gel column using methanol:chloroform(1:9) as an eluting solvent to give a white solid (9.185 g) which was recrystallized from hexane to provide 3-cyanopyridine 1-oxide 97 (8.874 g, 76.00%).

m.p.(Hexane) : 170-173 °C [lit(38); 174-175 °C]

IR(KBr) :  $V_{\text{max}}$  2236, 1581, 1547, 1457, 1373, 1110, 936, 858, 798 cm<sup>-1</sup>

 $^{1}$ H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl $_{3}$ ) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

7.59 (dd, 1H, J = 7.9, 6.4 Hz, H-5)

7.82 (d, 1H, J = 7.9 Hz, H-4)

8.46 (d, 1H, J = 6.4 Hz, H-6)

8.81 (s, 1H, H-2)

#### Preparation of 3-phenylpyridine 1-oxide<sup>37</sup>

(0.0516 solution 3-phenylpyridine 98 7.4 mLmol) m-chloroperbenzoic acid 8.9046 g (0.0516 mol) in chloroform (100 mL) was stirred at room temperature until the starting material disappeared on thin layer chromatography plate. The solution was poured into water (50 mL) and made basic with solid sodium carbonate. The solution was extracted with chloroform(3×100 mL) and the combined extract was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, then evaporated in vacuo to dryness to give crude product (7.843 g). The crude product was purified by silica gel column using methanol:dichloromethane(1:9) as an eluent to give a solid (7.058 g). The product was recrystallized from hexane to give 3-phenylpyridine 1-oxide 63 (6.943 g, 78.61%).

m.p.(Hexane) :  $117-118 \, {}^{0}\text{C}$  [lit(39);  $119-120 \, {}^{0}\text{C}$ ]

IR(KBr) :  $V_{\text{max}}$ 1581, 1555, 1457, 1362, 1234, 1147, 1106, 1004 cm<sup>-1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

7.41-7.60 (m, 6H, ArH, H-5)

7.86 (d, 1H, J = 8.1 Hz, H-4)

8.20 (d, 1H, J = 6.2 Hz, H-6)

8.43 (s, 1H, H-2)

## Preparation of isonicotinamide 1-oxide<sup>37</sup>

CONH<sub>2</sub>

$$\begin{array}{c}
CONH_2 \\
\hline
N
\end{array}$$
CHCl<sub>3</sub>,RT
$$\begin{array}{c}
CONH_2 \\
\hline
N
\end{array}$$
2

10.2510 (0.0839)solution isonicotinamide 99 mol) of and m-chloroperbenzoic acid 14.4882 g (0.0839 mol) in chloroform (100 mL) was stirred at room temperature until the starting material disappeared on thin layer chromatography plate. The solution was poured into water (50 mL) and made basic with solid sodium carbonate. The solution was extracted with chloroform(3×100 mL) and the combined extract was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, then evaporated in vacuo to dryness to give crude product (9.432 g). The crude product was purified by silica gel column using methanol:dichloromethane (1:9) as an eluent to give a solid (8.235 g). The product was recrystallized from water to give isonicotinamide 1-oxide 23 (7.428. g, 64.07%).

m.p.(Water) : 300-303 °C [lit(40); 305-307]

IR(KBr) :  $V_{\text{max}}$  3480, 1680, 1630, 1320 cm<sup>-1</sup>

 $^{1}$ H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

8.30 (d, 2H, J = 7.0 Hz, H-2, H-6)

8.18 (br s, 1H, NH)

7.83 (d, 2H, J = 7.0 Hz, H-3, H-5)

7.66 (br s, 1H, NH)

Reaction of nicotinic acid 1-oxide with 2-thiouracil in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine

The reaction of nicotinic acid 1-oxide 53 2.0351g (14.629 mmol) with 2-thiouracil 2.249 g (17.5548 mmol) in phosphorus oxychloride (10 mL) containing triethylamine (15.1 mL) was heated under reflux for 8 h, then phosphorus oxychloride was evaporated *in vacuo*. The residue was neutralized with 10% sodium carbonate. The solution was extracted with choroform (3 × 50 mL). The combined chloroform extracts were washed with water (2×50 mL), dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and evaporated *in vacuo* to dryness. The residue (0.2401 g) was chromatographed on silica gel 45 g, elution with chloroform: hexane(18:82) to produced 0.1120 g of 100. Recrystallization from hexane afforded orange crystals of product 100 (0.1079 g, 4.07%)

m.p.(Hexane) :  $171-172^{\circ}$ C IR(KBr) :  $V_{max}$ 1564, 1542, 1385, 1291, 1230, 1018, 799 cm<sup>-1</sup>

H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

7.40 (dd, 1H, J = 4.5 Hz, 8.1 Hz, H-5)

8.42 (d, 1H, J = 8.1 Hz, H-4)

8.83 (d, 1H, J = 3.6 Hz, H-6)

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) : δ (ppm) 120.35(C-5), 134.16(C-3), 136.32(C-4), 154.11(C-6), 172.29(C-2), 214.28(C=O) Mass Spectrum : m/z (% relative intensity)

157(M<sup>+</sup>, 9.46), 156(79.87), 155(100.00), 154(80.06)

Reaction of nicotinic acid 1-oxide with thiourea in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine

A mixture of nicotinic acid 1-oxide 53 2.0041 g (14.406 mmol) and thiourea 1.3260 g (17.422 mmol) in phosphorus oxychloride (10 mL) containing triethylamine (15.1 mL) was heated under reflux for 8 h, then phosphorus oxychloride was evaporated *in vacuo*. The residue was neutralized with 10% sodium carbonate. The solution was extracted with chloroform (3 ×50 mL). The combined extracts were washed with water (2×50 mL) and dried (anh.Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>). The solvent was evaporated *in vacuo* to dryness to give crude product (0.9852 g). Purification by silica gel (50 g) column, elution with methanol: dichloromethane(1:9) gave product 101 which was further recrystallized from hexane to give as white crystals(153.2 mg, 6.94 %) of 101.

m.p.(Hexane) : 100-102 °C

IR(KBr) :  $V_{max} 1735, 1603, 1429, 1306, 1237, 1111, 1014, 801, 753 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

3.59 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>)

7.35 (t, 1H, J = 7.2 Hz, H-5)

7.84 (d, 1H, J = 7.9 Hz, H-4)

8.32 (d, 1H, J = 6.3 Hz, H-6)

8.75 (s, 1H, H-2)

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

53.06(OCH<sub>3</sub>), 125.78(C-5), 126.10(C-4), 129.92(C-3), 140.29(C-2),

142.47(C-6), 164.00(C=O)

Mass Spectrum : m/z (% relative intensity)

153(M<sup>+</sup>,100.00), 123(26.62), 122(22.76), 94(22.06), 61(25.13)

Reaction of nicotinamide 1 - oxide with 2 - thiouracil in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine

A mixture of nicotinamide 1-oxide 47 0.9522 g ( 6.895 mmol) and 2- thiouracil 1.0603 g (8.274 mmol) in phosphorus oxychloride (10 mL) containing triethylamine (15.1 mL) was refluxed for 8 h, then phosphorus oxychloride was evaporated *in vacuo* to give crude product. The residue was neutralized with 10% sodium carbonate. The solution was extracted with dichloromethane(3 ×50 mL). The combined dichloromethane extracts were washed with water (2 ×50 mL), dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and evaporated *in vacuo* to dryness. The crude product was purified by silica gel(25 g) column. Elution with ethyl acetate: hexane(1:9) provide crude product which was further recrystrallized form hexane to give 6-chloro-3-cyanopyridine 102 as white needles (28.9 mg, 3.02 %).

m.p.(Hexane) : 115-116 °C [lit(41); 115-116 °C]

IR (KBr) :  $V_{\text{max}}$  2236, 1581, 1547, 1457, 1373, 1110, 936, 858, 798 cm<sup>-1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

7.47 (d, 1H, J = 8.3 Hz, H-5)

7.90 (dd, 1H, J = 2.2, 8.3 Hz, H-4)

8.67 (d, 1H, J = 2.2 Hz, H-2)

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

113.95 (CN), 125.00 (C-5), 141.60 (C-4), 153.00 (C-2)

Mass Spectrum: m/z (% relative intensity)

141(M<sup>+</sup>+2, 31.41), 139(M<sup>+</sup>, 100.00), 138(50.26), 103(59.68),

76(83.23), 75(38.24)

# Reaction of nicotinamide 1-oxide with thiourea in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine

$$+ NH_2 - C - NH_2 \qquad POCl_3 \\
+ NH_2 - C - NH_2 \qquad POCl_3 \\
\hline
Et_3N \\
reflux \qquad 103$$

A mixture of nicotinamide 1-oxide 47 1.0005 g (7.244 mmol) with thiourea 0.6704 g (8.808 mmol) in phosphorus oxychloride (10 mL) containing triethylamine (15.1 mL) was refluxed for 8 h, then phosphorus oxychloride was evaporated *in vacuo* to give crude product (0.8872 g). The residue was neutralized carefully with 10% sodium carbonate and extracted with dichloromethane (3 ×50 mL). The dichloromethane extracts were washed with water (2 ×50 mL) and dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate. Evaporation to dryness under reduced pressure provided crude product (115 mg) which was purified by silica gel(25 g) column. Elution with 50% dichloromethane in hexane gave product which was recrystrallized from hexane to yield 2-chloro-3-cyanopyridine 103 as white needles(38 mg, 3.78%).

m.p.(Hexane) : 109-110 °C [lit(42); 105 °C]

IR (KBr) :  $V_{\text{max}}$ 2234, 1578, 1443, 1146, 1080, 809, 736, 674 cm<sup>-1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

7.38 (dd, 1H, J = 4.9, 7.7 Hz, H-5)

8.00 (dd, 1H, J = 1.4, 7.7 Hz, H-4)

8.59 (dd, 1H, J = 1.4, 4.9 Hz, H-6)

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

110.95 (C-3), 114.56 (CN), 122.17 (C-5), 142.58 (C-4), 152.90 (C-6)

Mass Spectrum: m/z (% relative intensity)

141(M<sup>+</sup> + 2, 32.58), 139(M<sup>+</sup>, 100.00), 138(45.96), 103(39.08),

76(61.21), 75(28.47)

Reaction of 3-cyanopyridine 1-oxide with 2-thiouracil in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine

A solution of 3-cyanopyridine 1-oxide 97 2.0447 g (17.024 mmol), 2-thiouracil 2.5962 g (20.259 mmol) in phosphorus oxychloride (10 mL) was added triethylamine (15.1 mL). The mixture was heated at 110-120 °C for 8 h, cooled down and phosphorus oxychloride was evaporated *in vacuo* to afford crude product (1.847 g). The residue was neutralized carefully with 10% sodium carbonate, and extracted with dichloromethane(3 ×50 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with water (2 ×50 mL), dried (anh. Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>) and evaporated under reduced pressure to dryness. Purification of the residue by using silica gel (45 g) column. Elution with ethyl acetate: hexane (15:85) provided crude product which was recrystrallized from hexane to give 2-chloro-3-cyanopyridine 103 as white needles(83.5 mg, 3.54 %).

m.p.(Hexane) :  $109-110^{\circ}$ C [lit(42);  $105^{\circ}$ C]

IR(KBr) :  $V_{\text{max}}$  2237, 1578, 1555, 1446, 1146, 1080, 809, 737 cm<sup>-1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

7.38 (dd, 1H, J = 4.9, 7.7 Hz, H-5)

8.00 (dd, 1H, J = 1.4, 7.7 Hz, H-4)

8.59 (dd, 1H, J = 1.4, 4.9 Hz, H-6)

 $^{13}$ C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

110.95(C-3), 114.55 (CN), 122.17(C-5), 142.55(C-4), 152.83(C-6)

Mass Spectrum: m/z (% relative intensity)

141(M<sup>+</sup>+ 2, 30.58), 139(M<sup>+</sup>, 100.00), 138(46.75), 103(39.08), 76(60.43), 75(26.23)

Reaction of 3-cyanopyridine 1-oxide with thiourea in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine

A mixture of 3-cyanopyridine 1-oxide 97 2.0055 g (16.697 mmol) with thiourea 1.5299 g (20.1011 mmol) in phosphorus oxychloride (10 mL) containing triethylamine (15.1 mL) was refluxed for 8 h. The solution was cooled down and phosphorus oxychloride was evaporated under reduced pressure, and the residue was neutralized with 10% sodium carbonate. The solution was extracted with dichloromethane(3 ×50 mL). The combined dichloromethane extracts were washed with water(2 ×50 mL), dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and evaporated *in vacuo* to dryness. The residue was chromatographed on silica gel(45 g) column using acetone:hexane(1:9) as an eluting solvent to provide a solid. The obtained solid was recrystrallized from hexane to give 2-chloro-3-cyanopyridine 103 as white needles (123.9 mg , 5.35 %).

m.p.(Hexane) :  $109-110^{\circ}$ C [lit(42);  $105^{\circ}$ C]

IR(KBr) :  $V_{\text{max}}$  2236, 1578, 1554, 1445, 1146, 1080, 809, 737 cm<sup>-1</sup>

 $^{1}$ H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

7.38 (dd, 1H, J = 4.9, 7.7 Hz, H-5)

8.00 (dd, 1H, J = 1.8, 7.7 Hz, H-4)

8.60 (dd, 1H, J = 1.8, 4.9 Hz, H-6)

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

111.38 (C-3), 114.56 (CN), 122.18(C-5), 142.56(C-4), 152.83(C-6)

Mass Spectrum : m/z (% relative intensity)

141(M<sup>+</sup>+2, 32.54), 139(M<sup>+</sup>, 100.00), 138(48.96), 103(41.08),

76(62.21), 75(29.27)

## Reaction of 3-phenylpyridine 1-oxide with 2-thiouracil in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine

A mixture of 3-phenylpyridine 1-oxide 63 1.5211 g (8.8849 mmol) and 2-thiouracil 1.370 g (10.698 mmol) in phosphorus oxychloride (10 mL) was added triethylamine (15.1 mL). The solution was refluxed for 8 h, then cooled down and phosphorus oxychloride was evaporated under reduced pressure to give crude product (1.248 g). The residue was neutralized carefully with 10% sodium carbonate in an ice bath, and extracted with dichloromethane(3 ×50 mL). The organic layer was separated and combined, then washed with water (2 ×50 mL) and dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, filtered, and evaporated *in vacuo*. The resulting orange residue was purified by using silica gel (40 g) column. Elution with ethyl acetate: dichloromethane(3:7) gave 2-chloro-3-phenylpyridine 104 (25.3 mg, 1.50 %) which was further recrystallized from ethyl acetate.

m.p.(Ethyl acetate) : 56-57  $^{\circ}$ C [lit(43); 52-56  $^{\circ}$ C]

IR(KBr) :  $V_{max}$  1580, 1555, 1457, 1361, 1106, 842, 763, 698, cm $^{-1}$   $^{1}$ H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

7.35-7.55 (m, 6H, ArH, H-5)

7.82 (dd, 1H, J = 2.3, 8.2 Hz, H-4)

8.58 (d, 1H, J = 2.1 Hz, H-6)  $^{13}$ C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

124.22(C-5), 127.07(C-3', C-5'), 128.48(C-4'), 129.23(C-2', C-6'),

135.67(C-1'), 136.52(C-3), 137.19(C-4), 148.02(C-6), 150.34(C-2)

Mass Spectrum: m/z (% relative intensity)

 $191(M^{+}+2, 35.08), 189(M^{+}, 100.00), 154(33.01), 127(21.19),$ 

126(21.88)

Reaction of 3-phenylpyridine 1-oxide with thiourea in phosphorus oxychloride in the presence of triethylamine

$$+ NH_2 - C - NH_2$$

$$+ O$$

A solution of 3-phenylpyridine 1-oxide 63 1.0357 g (6.049 mmol), thiourea 0.5539 g (7.277 mmol) in phosphorus oxychloride (10 mL) was added triethylamine (15.1 mL). The reaction mixture was heated under reflux for 8 h, then phosphorus oxychloride was removed under reduced pressure to give a residue which was neutralized with 10% sodium carbonate in an ice bath. The solution was extracted with methylene chloride(3 ×50 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with water(2 ×50 mL) and dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate. After removal of solvent, the residue (0.452 g) was chromatographed on silica gel (25 g) column using dichloromethane:hexane(2:8) as an eluent to provide 2-chloro-3-phenylpyridine 104 which was recrystallized from hexane to give white solids(34.5 mg, 3.01%).

m.p.(Ethyl acetate) : 56-57 °C [lit(43); 52-56 °C]

IR(KBr) :  $V_{max}$  1585, 1560, 1540, 1457, 1345, 1020, 765, 694 cm<sup>-1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

7.35-7.55 (m, 6H, ArH, H-5)

7.82 (dd, 1H, J = 2.3, 8.2 Hz, H-4)

8.59 (d, 1H, J = 2.1 Hz, H-6)

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

124.22(C-5), 127.07(C-3', C-5'), 128.48(C-4'), 129.23(C-2', C-6'),

135.67(C-1'), 136.52(C-3), 137.19(C-4), 148.02(C-6), 150.34(C-2)

Mass Spectrum : m/z (% relative intensity)

191(M<sup>+</sup>+2, 35.10), 189(M<sup>+</sup>, 100.00), 154(33.15), 127(22.49),

126(23.88)

Reaction of 4-cyanopyridine 1-oxide with 2-thiouracil in phosphorus oxychloride in the presence of triethylamine

Triethylamine 15.1 mL was added to a solution of 4-cyanopyridine 1-oxide 25 2.000 g (16.65 mmol) and 2-thiouracil 2.5594 g (19.97 mmol) in phosphorus oxychloride(10 mL). The solution was refluxed for 8 h, then phosphorus oxychloride was evaporated *in vacuo*. The residue was neutralized by addition of 10% sodium carbonate and then extracted with dichloromethane (3×50 mL). The combined dichloromethane extracts were washed with water(20 mL), dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and evaporated to dryness to give crude product. The crude product was purified by silica gel (25 g) column using acetone:hexane(1:9) as an eluent to provide 3-chloro-4-cyanopyridine 26 which was recrystallized from hexane to give white solids (532.3 mg, 23.06%).

m.p.(Hexane) :  $69-70^{\circ}$ C [lit(5);  $71-72^{\circ}$ C]

(R(KBr)):  $V_{max}$  2239, 1588, 1460, 1374, 1284, 1117, 888, 851 cm<sup>-1</sup>

 $^{1}$ H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

7.45 (d, 1H, J = 5.0 Hz, H-5)

7.58 (s, 1H, H-2)

8.58 (d, 1H, J = 5.0 Hz, H-6)

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>2</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

115.14 (CN), 121.98(C-3), 122.95(C-4), 123.72(C-5), 126.29(C-2), 150.86(C-6)

Mass Spectrum: m/z (% relative intensity)

141(M<sup>+</sup>+2, 8.34), 139(M<sup>+</sup>, 26.86), 103(57.31), 76(100.00)

Reaction of 4-cyanopyridine 1 - oxide with thiourea in phosphorus oxychloride in the presence of triethylamine

A solution of 4-cyanopyridine 1-oxide 25 2.0043 g (16.7 mmol) and thiourea 1.5288 g (20.0 mmol) in phosphorus oxychloride (10 mL) was added triethylamine (15.1 mL). The reaction mixture was refluxed for 8 h, then phosphorus oxychloride was removed under reduced pressure to give a residue which was neutralized with 10% sodium carbonate in an ice bath. The solution was extracted with dichloromethane (3×50 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with water (20 mL) and dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate. After removal of solvent, the residue was chromatographed on silica gel(45 g) column using acetone: hexane(1:9) as an eluent to provide 2-chloro-4-cyanopyridine 73 which was recrystallized from hexane to give white solids(267.6 mg, 11.57 %)

m.p.(Hexane) : 72-74  $^{\circ}$ C [lit(5); 69.5-71.5  $^{\circ}$ C]

IR(KBr) : V<sub>max</sub> 2248, 1588, 1461, 1374, 1284, 1212, 888, 852 cm<sup>-1</sup>

 $^{1}$ H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

7.46 (dd, 1H, J = 1.2, 5.1 Hz, H-5)

7.57 (br.s, 1H, H-3)

8.57 (d, 1H, J = 5.1 Hz, H-6)

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>2</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

115.15 (CN), 121.95(C-4), 123.74(C-5), 126.30(C-3), 150.87(C-6), 152.73(C-2)

Mass Spectrum: m/z (% relative intensity)

 $141(M^{+}+2, 8.34), 139(M^{+}, 26.86), 103(57.31), 76(100.00)$ 

Reaction of 4-phenylpyridine 1-oxide with 2-thiouracil in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine

A mixture of 4-phenylpyridine 1-oxide 60 2.0332 g (11.876 mmol) with 2-thiouracil 1.8303 g (14.282 mmol) in phosphorus oxychloride (10 mL) containing triethylamine (15.1 mL) was refluxed for 8 h, then phosphorus oxychloride was evaporated *in vacuo* to give crude product. The residue was neutralized carefully with 10% sodium carbonate in an ice bath and extracted with methylene chloride (3×50 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and evaporated to dryness. The crude product was purified by silica gel (40 g) column using ethyl acetate: hexane(1:9) as an eluent affording 2-chloro-4-phenylpyridine 105 (48 mg). The product was recrystallized from hexane to give white solids of 105 (35.1 mg, 1.56%).

m.p.(Hexane) : 75-77  $^{\circ}$ C

IR(KBr) :  $V_{\text{max}}$  1590, 1534, 1458, 1376, 1090, 860, 756, 690 cm<sup>-1</sup>

 $^{1}$ H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

7.39-7.51 (m, 6H, H-3, ArH)

7.63 (br.d, 1H, J = 6.7 Hz, H-5)

8.65 (d, 1H, J = 5.9 Hz, H-6)

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

121.63(C-5), 126.93(C-3), 129.10(C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 138.69(C-4),

148.59(C-2), 150.25(C-6)

Mass Spectrum : m/z (% relative intensity)

156(79.87), 155(100.00), 154(80.06), 127(28.91), 126(17.73)

Reaction of 4-phenylpyridine 1-oxide with thiourea in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine

$$+ NH_2 - C - NH_2 \qquad POCl_3 - Cl$$

$$0 \qquad 105$$

A solution of 4-phenylpyridine 1-oxide **60** 2.0041 g (11.706 mmol) and thiourea 1.0731 g (14.099 mol) in phosphorus oxychloride (10 mL) was added triethylamine (15.1 mL). The mixture was refluxed for 8 h, then cooled down and phosphorus oxychloride was evaporated under reduced pressure to give crude product. The residue was neutralized carefully with 10% sodium carbonate in an ice bath, and extracted with dichloromethane (3×50 mL). The organic layer was separated and washed again with water (20 mL), dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, filtered, and evaporated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by silica gel (45 g) column. Elution with 5% ethyl acetate: hexane gave 2-chloro-4-phenylpyridine **105** (487.3 mg, 21.94%) which was further recrystallized from hexane.

m.p.(Hexane) :  $75 - 77^{\circ}$ C

IR(KBr) :  $V_{\text{max}}$  1588, 1544, 1483, 1410, 1233, 1042, 830, 762, 688 cm<sup>-1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

7.39-7.51 (m, 6H, H-3, ArH)

7.63 (d, 1H, J = 6.7 Hz, H-5)

8.65 (d, 1H, J = 5.9 Hz, H-6)

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

121.63(C-5), 126.93(C-3), 129.10(C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 138.69(C-4), 148.59(C-2), 150.25(C-6)

Mass Spectrum : m/z (% relative intensity)

156(80.57), 155(100.00), 154(81.42), 127(29.05), 126(19.12)

# Reaction of isonicotinic acid 1-oxide with 2-thiouracil in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine

A solution of isonicotinic acid 1-oxide 106 2.0274 g (14.57 mmol) and 2-thiouracil 2.2461 g (17.52 mmol) in phosphorus oxychloride (10 mL) was added triethylamine (15.1 mL). The mixture was heated under reflux for 12 h, then cooled down and phosphorus oxychloride was evaporated under reduced pressure to give crude product. The residue was neutralized carefully with 10% sodium carbonate in an ice bath, and extracted with dichloromethane (3×50 mL). The organic layer was separated and washed again with water (20 mL), dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, filtered, and evaporated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by silica gel (45 g) column and led to non-isolated product.

Reaction of isonicotinic 1-oxide with thiourea in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine

COOH

$$NH_2$$
 $NH_2$ 
 $NH_2$ 

A solution of isonicotinic acid 1-oxide 106 3.000 g (21.57 mmol) and thiourea 1.9906 g (26.15 mmol) in phosphorus oxychloride (10 mL) was added triethylamine (15.1 mL). The mixture was heated under reflux for 12 h, then cooled down and phosphorus oxychloride was evaporated under reduced pressure to give crude product. The residue was neutralized carefully with 10% sodium carbonate in an ice bath, and extracted with dichloromethane (3×50 mL). The organic layer was separated and washed again with water (20 mL), dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, filtered, and evaporated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by silica gel (45 g) column and led to non-isolated product.

Reaction of isonicotinamide 1-oxide with 2-thiouracil in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine

A solution of isonicotinamide 1-oxide 23 1.0128 g (7.333 mmol) and 2-thiouracil 1.1210 g (8.747 mmol) in phosphorus oxychloride (10 mL) was added triethylamine (15.1 mL). The mixture was heated under reflux for 12 h, then cooled down and phosphorus oxychloride was evaporated under reduced pressure to give crude product. The residue was neutralized carefully with 10% sodium carbonate in an ice bath, and extracted with dichloromethane (3×50 mL). The organic layer was separated and washed again with water (20 mL), dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, filtered, and evaporated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by silica gel (45 g) column and led to non-isolated product.

Reaction of isonicotinamide 1-oxide with thiourea in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine

$$+ NH_2 - C - NH_2 \xrightarrow{POCI_3} - non - isolated product$$
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A solution of isonicotinamide 1-oxide 23 1.0066 g (7.289 mmol) and thiourea 0.6793g (8.9252 mmol) in phosphorus oxychloride (10 mL) was added triethylamine (15.1 mL). The mixture was heated under reflux for 12 h, then cooled down and phosphorus oxychloride was evaporated under reduced pressure to give crude product. The residue was neutralized carefully with 10% sodium carbonate in an ice bath, and extracted with dichloromethane (3×50 mL). The organic layer was separated and washed again with water (20 mL), dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, filtered, and evaporated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by silica gel (45 g) column and led to non-isolated product.

#### Reaction of 2-chloro-3-cyanopyridine with thiourea in methanol

To a solution of 2-chloro-3-cyanopyridine **103** 51.7 mg (0.373 mmol) and thiourea 0.056 g (0.746 mmol) in methanol (5 mL) was refluxed for 5 h. After cooling, the precipitate was filtered and recrystallized from dichloromethane to obtain 3-cyano-2(1*H*)-pyridinethione **107** (20.0 mg, 39.4%)

m.p.(Dichloromethane) : 227-230 °C [lit(44); 228-230 °C]

IR(KBr) : V<sub>max</sub> 2228, 1589, 1492, 1441, 1238, 1176, 1161, 860 cm<sup>-1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>2</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

6.81 (t, 1H, J = 6.8 Hz, H-5)

7.90 (dd, 1H, J = 1.4, 6.1 Hz, H-6)

8.06 (dd, 1H, J = 1.4, 7.4 Hz, H-4)

14.18 (br s, 1H, NH)

 $^{13}$ C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) :  $\delta$  (ppm)

112.80(C-5), 117.40(CN), 143.38(C-6), 145.84(C-4), 177.88(C-2)

Mass Spectrum: m/z (% relative intensity)

136(M<sup>+</sup>, 48.12), 93(7.33), 92(100.00), 82(12.42), 76(18.71), 75(20.26)

## Chapter IV

#### **Results and Discussion**

Generally, pyridine 1-oxides reacted with a variety of nucleophiles in the presence of quaternizing agents such as phosphorus pentachloride to furnish mainly 2-and4-chloropyridines<sup>6,8</sup> as described in the introduction. In addition, 2-chloropyridines reacted with thiourea in refluxing condition to give the corresponding 2-pyridenethiones.<sup>25</sup> In our study, the results from one pot reactions of 3- and 4-substituted pyridine 1-oxides with 2-thiouracil or thiourea in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine are discussed.

# 1. Deoxydative substitution reaction of 3-substituted pyridine 1-oxides with thione nucleophiles

1.1 Deoxydative substitution reaction of nicotinic acid 1-oxide with 2-thiouracil

The reaction of nicotinic acid 1-oxide 53 with 2-thiouracil in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine was carried out under reflux for 8 h. After work up, then separation by silica gel column and recrystallization from hexane afforded compound 100. The structure of compound 100 was elucidate by spectroscopic methods.

The IR spectrum of compound 100 exhibited absorption band at 1564, 1542, 1385, 1291, 1230, and 1018 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

The  $^1$ H NMR spectrum showed a doublet of H-4 at  $\delta$  8.42 with coupling constant of 8.1 Hz and another doublet of H-6 at  $\delta$  8.83 with coupling constant of 3.6 Hz. In addition, H-5 appeared as a doublet of doublet at  $\delta$  7.40 with coupling constant of 4.5 and 8.1 Hz.

Mass spectral data showed a molecular ion at m/z 157 and a base peak at m/z 155.

According to the <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectral data, the structure of **100** is tentatively assigned to be [1,3]oxathiino[4,5-b]pyridine-2,4-dione. The formation of compound **100** is postulated as shown in **Figure 19**.

Figure 19 The formation of [1,3]oxathiino[4,5-b]pyridine-2,4-dione

Previously, it was reported that nicotinic acid 1-oxide 53 was substituted by 1-adamantanethiol in acetic anhydride under reflux to give 2-(1-adamantylthio)nicotinic acid 54 as mentioned in Figure 11<sup>23</sup>. Furthermore, treatment of nicotinic acid 1-oxide 53 with boiling acetic anhydride furnished 3-acetoxy-4-aza-3-methyl-1(3*H*)-isobenzofuranone 4-oxide 109. It was proposed that nicotinic acid 1-oxide 53 underwent electrophilic substitution to give 2-acetylnicotinic acid 1-oxide 108. Further cyclization took place *via* attack of the carboxylic group to keto function, thus formed the 3-acetoxy-4-aza-3-methyl-1(3*H*)-isobenzofuranone 4-oxide 45 109 as shown in Figure 20.

Figure 20 The reaction of nicotinic acid 1-oxide with acetic anhydride

#### 1.2 Deoxydative substitution reaction of nicotinic acid 1-oxide with thiourea

Treatment of nicotinic acid 1-oxide 53 with thiourea in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine under reflux for 8 h gave methyl nicotinate 1-oxide 101 in 6.94% yield after recrystallization from hexane. The structure methyl nicotinate 1-oxide 101 was elucidated by spectral data analysis.

The IR spectrum of 1-oxide of nicotinic acid methyl ester 101 showed the absorption band at 1735 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=O) and 1111, 1237 cm<sup>-1</sup> indicating C-O stretching. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of methyl nicotinate 1-oxide exhibited a singlet at  $\delta$  3.59 resulting from three protons of methoxy group. Another singlet of H-2 appeared at  $\delta$  8.75. Additionally, the spectrum showed a doublet of H-4 at  $\delta$  7.84 with coupling constant of 7.9 Hz, and a doublet of H-6 at  $\delta$  8.32 with coupling constant of 6.3 Hz. Therefore, the remaining triplet at  $\delta$  7.35 (J = 7.2 Hz) was assigned for H-5.

Its mass spectrum showed a molecular ion and base peak at m/z 153 corresponding to  $C_7H_7NO_3$ .

Obviously, the product methyl nicotinate 1-oxide 101 did not form *via* nucleophilic or electrophilic substitution of the 1-oxide function of 53. However, the reaction took place at the carboxylic group to form the methyl nicotinate 1-oxide 101. It is presumably that the esterification occurred during silica gel column using methanol: dichloromethane as an eluent.

#### 1.3 Deoxydative substitution reaction of nicotinamide 1-oxide with 2-thiouracil

The reaction of nicotinamide 1-oxide 47 with 2-thiouracil in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine was carried out under reflux for 8 h to give 6-chloro-3-cyanopyridine 102 in 3.02% yield after recrystallization from hexane. Structure of 6-chloro-3-cyanopyridine 102 was verified by spectroscopic methods.

The IR spectrum of 6-chloro-3-cyanopyridine **102** exhibited characteristic absorption of nitrile group at 2236 cm<sup>-1</sup> resulting from dehydration of the amide group.

The  $^{1}$ H NMR spectrum showed a doublet of H-5 at  $\delta$  7.47 with coupling constant of 8.3 Hz, and H-4 displayed at  $\delta$  7.90 as a doublet of doublet with coupling constant of 2.2 and 8.3 Hz. In addition, H-2 appeared as a doublet at  $\delta$  8.67 with coupling constant of 2.2 Hz.

The mass spectrum showed a molecular ion at m/z 139 corresponding to  $C_6H_3N_2Cl$ .

#### 1.4 Deoxydative substitution reaction of nicotinamide 1-oxide with thiourea

In this part, it was found that treatment of the nicotinamide 1-oxide 47 with thiourea in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine under refluxing temperature afforded 2-chloro-3-cyanopyridine 103 in 3.78% yield after recrystallization from hexane. Structure of 2-chloro-3-cyanopyridine 103 was determined by spectral data analysis.

The IR spectrum of 2-chloro-3-cyanopyridine 103 showed the absorption band of nitrile group at 2234 cm<sup>-1</sup> indicating the dehydration of amide moiety.

The  $^1$ H NMR spectrum of 2-chloro-3-cyanopyridine **103** exhibited a doublet of doublet of H-5 at  $\delta$  7.38 with coupling constant of 4.9 and 7.7 Hz, and a doublet of doublet of H-4 at  $\delta$  8.00 with coupling constant of 1.4 and 7.7 Hz. In addition, H-6 appeared as a doublet of doublet at  $\delta$  8.59 with coupling constant of 1.4 and 4.9 Hz.

The mass spectrum showed a molecular ion at m/z 139 corresponding to  $C_cH_3N_3Cl$ .

1.5 Deoxydative substitution reaction of 3-cyanopyridine 1-oxide with 2-thiouracil

Treatment of 3-cyanopyridine 1-oxide 97 with 2-thiouracil in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine under reflux for 8 h furnished 2-chloro-3-cyanopyridine 103 in 3.54% yield after recrystallization from hexane. Structure of 2-chloro-3-cyanopyridine 103 was elucidated by spectroscopic methods.

The IR spectrum of 2-chloro-3-cyanopyridine 103 exhibited characteristic absorption of nitrile group at 2237 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

The  $^1$ H NMR spectrum of 2-chloro-3-cyanopyridine **103** exhibited three doublets of doublets of three ring protons of H-5 at  $\delta$  7.38 with coupling constant of 4.9 and 7.7 Hz, H-4 at  $\delta$  8.00 with coupling constant of 1.4 and 7.7 Hz, and H-6 appeared at  $\delta$  8.59 with coupling constant of 1.4 and 4.9 Hz.

Its mass spectrum showed a molecular ion at m/z 139 corresponding to  $C_6H_3N_2Cl$ .

1.6 Deoxydative substitution reaction of 3-cyanopyridine 1-oxide with thiourea

It was found that treatment of 3-cyanopyridine 1-oxide 97 with thiourea in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine under refluxing temperature gave 2-chloro-3-cyanopyridine 103 in 5.35% yield after recrystallization from hexane. Structure of 2-chloro-3-cyanopyridine was determined by spectral data analysis.

The IR spectrum of 2-chloro-3-cyanopyridine 103 showed the absorption band of nitrile group at 2236 cm<sup>-1</sup>

Its <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum exhibited identical pattern of three aromatic ring protons, H-4, H-5, and H-6 as described in **1.5** for compound **103** obtained from 3-cyanopyridine 1-oxide with 2-thiouracil.

1.7 Deoxydative substitution reaction of 3-phenylpyridine 1-oxide with 2-thiouracil

The reaction of 3-phenylpyridine 1-oxide 63 with 2-thiouracil in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine was carried out under reflux for 8 h to give 2-chloro-3-phenylpyridine 104 in 1.50% yield after recrystallization from ethyl acetate. Structure of 2-chloro-3-phenylpyridine 104 was elucidated by spectroscopic methods.

The IR spectrum of 2-chloro-3-phenylpyridine 104 showed the absorption band at 1580 and 1457 cm<sup>-1</sup>(C=C stretching of aromatic ring)

The  $^{1}$ H NMR spectrum of 2-chloro-3-phenylpyridine **104** exhibited the resonance of H-4 as a doublet of doublet at  $\delta$  7.82 with coupling constant of 2.3 and 8.2 Hz, and a doublet of H-6 at  $\delta$  8.58 with coupling constant of 2.1 Hz. In addition, five phenyl protons and H-5 appeared as a multiplet at  $\delta$  7.35-7.55.

The mass spectrum data showed a molecular ion at m/z 189 corresponding to  $C_{11}H_{\circ}NCl$ .

1.8 Deoxydative substitution reaction of 3-phenylpyridine 1-oxide with thiourea

Similarly, 3-phenylpyridine 1-oxide 63 reacted with thiourea in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine under reflux for 8 h to produce 2-chloro-3-phenylpyridine 104 in 3.01% yield after recrystallization from ethyl acetate. The structure of 2-chloro-3-phenylpyridine 104 was elucidated by spectral data analysis, and are identical to the compound 104 obtained from the reaction with 2-thiouracil in 1.7.

The results from the reaction of 3-substituted 1-oxides are summarized in Table 3.

**Table 3** Deoxydative substitution reaction of 3-substituted pyridine 1-oxides with thione nucleophiles

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R	Nu	% Yield	Product
СООН	2-thiouracil	4.07	
СООН	thiourea	6.94	COOCH <sub>3</sub>
CONH <sub>2</sub>	2-thiouracil	3.02	CINCN
CONH <sub>2</sub>	thiourea	3.78	$\bigcap_{N}^{CN}$
CN	2-thiouracil	3.54	CN
CN	thiourea	5.35	CN CI
C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	2-thiouracil	1.50	N CI
$C_6H_5$	thiourea	3.01	N CI

# 2. Deoxydative substitution reaction of 4-substituted pyridine 1-oxides with thione nucleophiles

2.1 Deoxydative substitution reaction of 4-cyanopyridine 1-oxide with 2-thiouracil

The reaction of 4-cyanopyridine 1-oxide 25 with 2-thiouracil in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine was heated under reflux for 8 h to form 3-chloro-4-cyanopyridine 26 in 23.06% yield after recrystallization from hexane. The structure of 3-chloro-4-cyanopyridine 26 was elucidated by spectroscopic methods.

The IR spectrum of 3-chloro-4-cyanopyridine **26** exhibited characteristic absorption of nitrile group at 2239 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

The  $^1$ H NMR spectrum of 3-chloro-4-cyanopyridine **26** showed two doublets of H-5 at  $\delta$  7.45 with coupling constant of 5.0 Hz, and H-6 at  $\delta$  8.58 with the same coupling constant of 5.0 Hz. In addition, H-2 appeared as a singlet at  $\delta$  7.58.

Its mass spectrum showed a molecular ion at m/z 139 and a base peak at m/z 76 corresponding to  $C_6H_3N_3Cl$ .

The formation of 3-chloro-4-cyanopyridine 26 occurred *via* the attack of chloride ion at the C-4 position of the 25a to give 25b which was further attacked of the chloride ion at C-3 position to form 25c. Finally, loss of hydrogen chloride produced 3-chloro-4-cyanopyridine 26<sup>5</sup> as shown in Figure 6.

2.2 Deoxydative substitution reaction of 4-cyanopyridine 1-oxide 25 with thiourea

In the other hand, it was found that treatment of 4-cyanopyridine 1-oxide 25 with thiourea in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine under refluxing temperature gave 2-chloro-4-cyanopyridine 73 in 11.57% yield after recrystallization from hexane. Structure of 2-chloro-4-cyanopyridine 73 was determined by spectral data analysis.

Its IR spectrum showed the absorption band of nitrile group at 2248 cm<sup>-1</sup>

The  $^{1}$ H NMR spectrum of 2-chloro-4-cyanopyridine exhibited a doublet of doublet of H-5 at  $\delta$  7.46 with coupling constant of 1.2 and 5.1 Hz, and a doublet of H-6 at  $\delta$  8.57 with coupling constant of 5.1 Hz. In addition, H-3 appeared as a broad singlet at  $\delta$  7.57.

The mass spectrum showed a molecular ion at m/z 139 and a base peak at m/z 76 corresponding to  $C_6H_3N_2Cl$ .

2.3 Deoxydative substitution reaction of 4-phenylpyridine 1-oxide with 2-thiouracil

4-Phenylpyridine 1-oxide 60 reacted with 2-thiouracil in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine under reflux for 8 h to give 2-chloro-4-phenylpyridine 105 in 1.56% yield after recrystallization from hexane. Structure of 2-chloro-4-phenylpyridine 105 was elucidated by spectral data analysis.

The IR spectrum of 2-chloro-4-phenylpyridine showed the absorption band at 1590 and 1458 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=C stretching of aromatic ring)

The  $^1$ H NMR spectrum of 2-chloro-4-phenylpyridine exhibited a broad doublet of H-5 at  $\delta$  7.63 with coupling constant of 6.7 Hz, and doublet of H-6 at  $\delta$  8.65 with coupling constant of 5.9 Hz. In addition, H-3 and phenyl ring protons showed a multiplet at 7.39-7.51 Hz.

Its mass spectral data showed a base peak at m/z 155, a molecular ion was not observed corresponding to a molecular formula of  $C_{11}H_8NCl$ .

2.4 Deoxydative substitution reaction of 4-phenylpyridine 1-oxide with thiourea

Similarly, when 4-phenylpyridine 1-oxide **60** reacted with thiourea in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine under reflux for 8 h, 2-chloro-4-phenylpyridine **105** was obtained in 21.94% yield after recrystallization from hexane. Structure of 2-chloro-4-phenylpyridine was elucidated by spectroscopic methods. Its IR, <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR and MS are identical to the compound **105** from the reaction in **2.3**.

However, it was found that the reaction of isonicotinic acid 1-oxide 106 and isonicotinamide 1-oxide 23 with either 2-thiouracil or thiourea under the similar conditions as discussed above led to the non-isolated products.

The results from the reaction of 4-substituted pyridine 1-oxides are showed in Table 4.

**Table 4** Deoxydative substitution reaction of 4-substituted pyridine 1-oxides with thione nucleophiles

$$+ Nu^{-} \xrightarrow{POCl_{3}} Product$$

$$\downarrow Pocl_{3} Product$$

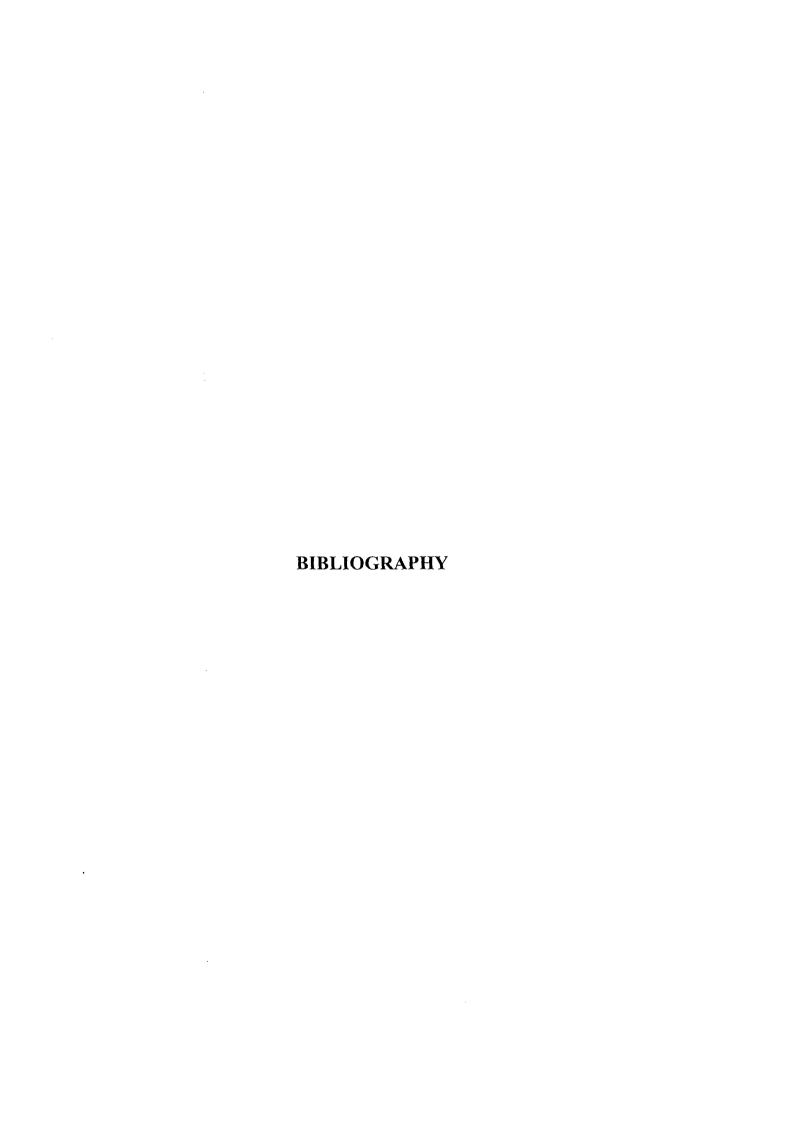
$$\uparrow Pocl_{3} Product$$

$$\uparrow Pocl_{3} Product$$

R	Nu	% Yield	Product
СООН	2-thiouracil	-	-
СООН	thiourea	-	-
$CONH_2$	2-thiouracil	-	-
CONH <sub>2</sub>	thiourea	-	-
CN	2-thiouracil	23.06	CN
CN	thiourea	11.57	CN N CI
$C_6H_5$	2-thiouracil	1.56	NCI
$C_6H_5$	thiourea	21.94	NCI

The results from the reactions of 3- and 4-substituted 1-oxides with 2-thiouracil or thiourea in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine produced mainly 2-chlorosubstituted pyridines. The products from these reactions arose from the nucleophilic attack of chloride ion, generated from phosphorus oxychloride, instead of thione functions. The transformation of these reactions is believed to take place *via* deoxydative substituted as described in the chapter II, Figure 4.

In conclusion, in our study it was found that nicotinamide 1-oxide and 3-cyanopyridine 1-oxide with thione nucleophiles produced 2-or 6-chloro-3-cyanopyridine, and 3-phenylpyridine 1-oxide afforded only 2-chloro-3-phenylpyridine. The product of nicotinic acid 1-oxide with 2-thiouracil is tentatively assigned to be [1,3] oxathiino[4,5-b]pyridine-2,4-dione. However, treatment of nicotinic acid 1-oxide with thiourea gave methyl nicotinate 1-oxide. In addition, substitution of the 1-oxide of 4-cyanopyridine afforded 2-or 3-chloro-4-cyanopyridine based on the use of thione nucleophiles. In addition, 4-phenylpyridine 1-oxide reacted with either thione to give only 2-chloro-4-phenylpyridine. Furthermore, the isolated 2-chloro-3-cyanopyridine reacted with thiourea in boiling methanol to afford 3-cyano-2(1H)-pyridinethione. Unfortunately, 3- and 4-substituted pyridine 1-oxides with thiones in phosphorus oxychloride containing triethylamine in one pot reaction did not afford the expected pyridinethiones. This perhaps due to the acidic condition, thus decreasing the nucleophilicity of the thiones.



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### **GLOSSARY**

singlet s doublet d dd doublet of doublet triplet t m multiplet J coupling constant **EIMS** electron impact mass spectra IR infrared spectrum a value of mass divided by charge m/z $^{0}C$ degree celcius gram g milligram mg millilitre mLh hour % percent melting point m.p.  $cm^{-1}$ wave number Hz hertz Lit literature maximum absorption frequencies <sup>1</sup>H MNR proton nuclear magnetic resonance

carbon nuclear magnetic resonance

<sup>13</sup>C NMR



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