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Green Synthesis of Pyrazolines as an Anti-Inflammatory, Antimicrobial and Antioxidant Agents

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ABSTRACT

Green methods such as microwave technique and grinding technique has been found superior over the conventional method in view of reaction time and energy requirement. Comp. research (2a-i), (3a-i) have been characterized by ¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR, IR and mass spectral analyses. They were screened for them in vitro anti-inflammatory, antimicrobial and in vitro antioxidant activities. Antimicrobial activity was performed by Agar plate method and comp. 2d and 2e active against gram negative bacteria E. coli and S. aureus, the comp. 3c and 3g show antioxidant activity as (IC50=48.13 µg/ml and 46.03 µg/ml), Comp' 3c shows respectively anti-inflammatory activity at (EC50=11.00 ± 1.26 µg/mL). Comp. 3c, 3d and 3e showed good anti-inflammatory activity at concentration (EC50=11.70 ± 0.98 µg/mL) and 11.70 ± 0.98 µg/mL respectively.

Keywords: Pyrazoline, Antimicrobial, Antioxidant, Anti-inflammatory, DPPH

INTRODUCTION

In recent years, green chemistry has been focus of considerable attention and is becoming an increasingly popular technology [1]. The aim of green chemistry is to reduce chemical related impacts on human health and virtually eliminate contamination of the environment through dedicated sustainable prevention program. For organic reactions there is an urgent need for reducing toxic, volatile solvents in use. Many green synthetic methods have been studied by different researchers for the synthesis of a variety of organic molecules [2]. Microwave irradiation is convenient synthetic method and continues to affect synthetic chemistry significantly by enabling rapid, reproducible, and scalable chemistry development [3]. This technique has been applied to a variety of reactions resulting in reduction of reaction time, higher yield, greater selectivity, cleaner reaction products, and easier manipulations [4,5]. It also provides an opportunity to work with open vessels, thus avoiding the risk of high pressure and hazards of inflammable solvents [6]. We herein report microwave assisted synthesis access to a series of chalcones and their conversion to heterocycles (2a-i and 3a-i) from substituted benzaldehyde and substituted acetophenone demonstrate its superiority over classical heating methods [7-9].

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It is worth mentioning that chalcones are the precursor of flavonoids, isoflavonoids, and have displayed an impressive array of biological activities [10,11]. Particularly, chalcones have been reported as anti-inflammatory, ant proteolytic, antioxidant, antibacterial, anticancer and antiproliferative. Compared to conventional approaches, the grinding process is one that is being employed more and more in organic synthesis. These reactions are interesting from an economic standpoint, most frequently provide significant benefits in terms of yield, selectivity, and ease of reaction procedure with high atom efficiency [12].

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Materials

The starting materials and solvents used for each reaction are of synthetic grade procured from Sigma Aldrich. All the chemicals and synthesized products were characterized for their purity by physical constant and Thin Layer Chromatography (TLC). All the reactions were monitored by using a pre-coated TLC plates (silica gel 60-120). Solvent system chloroform: methanol (8:2) for step-1 compounds and chloroform: methanol (9:1) for step-2 compounds. The obtained TLC plates were observed under a long UV lamp in a UV chamber and also in iodine chamber for detection of spots. All reactions were carried under microwave irradiation and grinding technique by using microwave make, Labline scientific instruments. The synthesized compounds were characterized by spectroscopic method FTIR, mass and ¹H, ¹³C NMR for elucidation and confirmation of their structures [13].

Methods

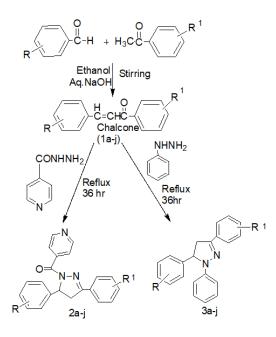
Conventional heating method (1a-i): Step 1: Placed a solution of 2.2 gm of sodium hydroxide in 20 ml of water and 12.5 ml of ethanol in conical flask with magnetic stirrer. The flask was kept in crushed ice. Then (0.43 Mol) 4.4 ml of acetophenone was added in the above mixture by continuously stirring with magnetic stirrer. Then added a substituted benzaldehyde (0.43 mol) 4.6 ml dropwise and maintain the temperature of the blend upto 25°C. The reaction mixture was kept in a refrigerator overnight [14,15]. Further the reaction mixture was diluted with 50 ml of cold water and acidified with 10% aq. HCl to precipitate the chalcone. Then the obtained product was filtered and washed with cold water until the washing were neutral to litmus and further with 10ml of cold rectified spirit. Then the product was recrystallised using chloroform [16].

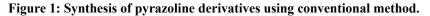
Microwave irradiation method (1a-i): Step 1: Substituted acetophenone (5 mmol) and substituted benzaldehyde (5 mmol) 1N NaOH 1N (0.01 mol) were dissolved in ethanol (7.5 mL) in the round bottom flask. The mixture was irradiated by using microwave for 3 min at 180 W and monitored by using TLC and neutralized by adding 3N HCl (5 ml). The product was filtered and washed with cold water [17].

Step 2: General procedure for the synthesis of pyrazolines derivatives (2a-i, 3a-i): Substituted chalcone 1a-i (10 mmol) and INH (10 mmol, 1.37 g) for 2a-i /phenyl hydrazine hydrate (10 mmol, 1.5 g) 3a-i were dissolved in 10 ml glacial acetic acid and refluxed for 36 h. The progress of reaction was monitored by TLC. The mixture was poured into ice cold water and neutralized with sodium bicarbonate. The sticky nature was removed by treatment with brine if necessary (Figure 1 and Table 1) [18].

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Compounds		ds	R (substituted benzaldehyde)	R'(substituted acetophenone)
1a	2a	3a	m-nitro	p-methyl
1b	2b	3b	3,4,5-trimethoxy	
1c	2c	3c	m-hydroxy	
1d	2d	3d	p-fluoro	
1e	2e	3e	3,4,5-trimethoxy	p-chloro
1f	2f	3f	m-nitro	
1g	2g	3g	m-hydroxy	
1h	2h	3h	p-fluoro	
1i	2i	3i	p-nitro	

Step 3: General procedure for the synthesis of pyrazolines derivatives (2a-i, 3a-i): Comp. 2a-i were synthesized by microwave irradiation for 3-5 min. by adding compound (1a-i) (2.5 mmol) with isonicotinic acid hydrazide (2.5 mmol) dissolve in glacial acetic acid respectively.

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Similarly, 3a-i were synthesized by adding comp. (1a-i) with phenyl hydrazine (2.5 mmol) in an open pyrex vessel and irradiated in a microwave oven for the appropriate time (3-5 min) until the completion of reaction (monitored by TLC). After completion, the reaction mixture was cooled at room temperature and was poured into cold water (50 ml). The solid as obtained was filtered, dried, and recrystallised from methanol (Figures 2 and 3).

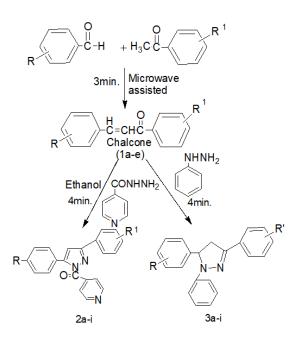


Figure 2: Synthesis of pyrazoline derivatives using microwave irradiation (2a-i, 3a-i).

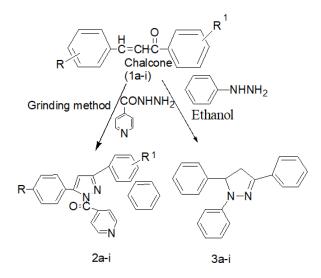


Figure 3: Synthesis of pyrazoline derivatives using grinding method.

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General method for synthesis of pyrazoline derivatives using grinding method (2a-i, 3a-i)

Step 1: Performed same as given in procedure of microwave synthesis.

Step 2: Synthesis of comp. 2a-i were synthesis by adding comp. 1a-i (0.01 mol) with isoniconic acid hydrazide hydrate (0.02 mol) dissolve in glacial acetic acid was added to this reaction mixture and grinding continued for several minutes, completion of reaction monitored by TLC, the light yellow-greenish coloured solid was separated out.

Similarly comp. 3a-i were synthesized by adding comp 1a-i with phenyl hydrazine hydrate (0.02 mol) 3a-i synthesis was thoroughly ground with a pestle in an open mortar at room temperature for 2-3 minutes. Acetic acid (0.001 mmol) was added to this reaction mixture and grinding continued for several minutes, completion of reaction monitored by TLC, the light yellow-greenish colored solid was separated out. The obtained solid was diluted with cold water and isolated by simple Buchner filtration and recrystallization from ethanol to give pyrazoline derivatives.

(5-(4-Nitro-phenyl)-3-p-tolyl-4,5-dihydro-pyrazol-1-yl)-phenyl-methanone (2a): Dark brown powder, mol. formula- $C_{23}H_{19}N_{3}O_{3}$, mol. wt–382.50; IR cm⁻¹ C-H stretch-3338.03, Sp³ C-H stretch-2920.23, C-N stretch-1243.55, C-NO₂ stretch-1550 ¹HNMR 7.44 (s,¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.95 (s, ¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.51 (¹H, J=7.6 Hz), 7.44 (¹H, J=7.7 Hz), 7.95 (¹H, J=6.7 Hz), 7.38 (¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 8.14 (¹H, J=7.4 Hz), 8.14 (¹H, J=7.5 Hz,), 7.38 (¹H, J=10.3/8.5 Hz), 3.9 (s, ³H), 1.9 (d, CH₂ ¹H, J=7.9/5.8 Hz), 2.35 (s, ¹H, J=16.1/8.4 Hz), for ¹³C NMR 159.1, 153.9, 146.2, 134.9, 130.0, 129.4, 127.6, 127.6, 116.4, 115.7, 114.1, 113.9, 62.2, 55.4, 42.7; HRMS: MS (ESI, m/z) (M+H)⁺: Calcd. For $C_{23}H_{19}N_{3}O_{3}$: 382.50; found: 383.25.

2-methyl-1-(3-p-tolyl-5-(2,3,4-trimethoxy-phenyl)-4,5-dihydro-pyrazol-1-yl)-penta-2,4-dien-1-one (2b): Dark brown powder, mol. formula- $C_{26}H_{26}N_{2O}$, mol. wt–382.50; IR cm⁻¹ Sp² C-H stretch-2967, Sp³ C=O stretch-1688.5, C-N stretch-1326, N-H stretch-3336.0, C=C stretch-1593.20 ¹HNMR7.4 (d, ¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.3 (t, ¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.2 (t, ¹H, J=7.6 Hz), 7.2 (d, ¹H, J=7.7 Hz), 7.2 (d, ¹H, J=6.7 Hz), 6.9 (d, ¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 6.7 (d, ¹H, J=7.4 Hz), 6.7 (d, ¹H, J=7.5 Hz), 4.8 (dd, ¹H, J=10.3/8.5 Hz), 3.9 (s, ³H), 3.75 (dd, ¹H, J=7.9/5.8 Hz), 3.15 (dd, ¹H, J=16.1/8.4 Hz), for ¹³CNMR 159.1, 153.9, 146.2, 134.9, 130.0, 129.4, 127.6, 127.6, 116.4, 115.7, 114.1, 114.1, 113.9, 62.2, 55.4, 42.7; HRMS: MS (ESI, m/z) (M+H)⁺ : Calcd. For $C_{26}H_{26}N_2O$: 382.50; found: 381.5.

 $(5-(3-Fluoro-phenyl)-3-p-tolyl-4,5-dihydro-pyrazol-1-yl)-phenyl-methanone (2c): Light brown powder; mol. formula-C_{23}H_{19}FN_2O, mol. wt–358.15 ;IR cm⁻¹ Sp² C-H stretch-2875.85, Sp³ C-H stretch-2878.85, C-N stretch-1227, C=C stretch-1548, C-OH stretch-3324.43 ¹HNMR7.4 (d, ¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.44 (¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.51 (1H, J=7.6 Hz), 7.19 (d, ¹H, J=7.7 Hz), 6.89(¹H, J=6.7 Hz), 6.83 (¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 6.79 (¹H, J=7.4 Hz), 6.7 (d, ¹H, J=7.5 Hz), 2.35 (s, ³H), 1.9 (¹H, J=7.9/5.8 Hz for ¹³CNMR 128.6, 131.9, 128.6, 127.3, 133.5, 127.3, 168, 168, 45.4, 20.9, 42.7; HRMS: MS (ESI, m/z) (M+H)⁺ : Calcd. For C₂₃H₁₉FN₂O: 358.15; found: 357.$

(5-(4-Hydroxy-phenyl)-3-p-tolyl-4,5-dihydro-pyrazol-1-yl)-phenyl-methanone (2d): Dark brown powder, mol. formula- $C_{23}H_{20}N_2O_2$, mol. wt-356.15 ;IR cm⁻¹ C-H stretch-2970.82, N-H stretch-338.15, C-N stretch-1245.25, C=C stretch-1519.78 ¹HNMR 7.95 (¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.51 (¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.44 (¹H, J=7.6 Hz), 7.95 (¹H, J=7.7 Hz), 6.8 (¹H, J=6.7 Hz), 7.1 (¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 6.68 (d, ¹H, J=7.4 Hz), 7.5 (¹H, J=7.5 Hz), 4.9 (¹H, J=10.3/8.5 Hz), 2.35 (s, ³H), for ¹³CNMR 155.6, 155.3, 168, 128.6, 115.5, 135.0, 128.5, 128.6, 131.9, 133.5, 128.2, 140.1, 42.7, 20.9 ; HRMS: MS (ESI, m/z) (M+H)⁺: Calcd. For $C_{23}H_{20}N_2O_2$: 356.15; Found: 355.16.

(3-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-5-(2,3,4-trimethoxy-phenyl)-4,5-dihydro-pyrazol-1-yl)-phenyl-methanone (2e): Brick red powder, mol. formula- $C_{25}H_{23}ClN_2O_4$, mol. wt–450.91;IR cm⁻¹ Sp² C-H stretch-2958.80, Sp³ C-H stretch-2835.36, C-N stretch-1244.09, C-O stretch-1282.66, C=C stretch-1581.63, C-Cl stretch-779.24 ¹HNMR 7.44 (d, 1H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.5 (t, ¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.95 (t, ¹H, J=7.6 Hz), 7.6 (d, ¹H, J=7.7 Hz), 7.3 (d, ¹H, J=6.7 Hz), 7.6 (d, ¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 6.17 (d, ¹H, J=7.4 Hz), 6.7 (d, ¹H, J=7.5 Hz), 4.9 (d, ¹H, J=10.3/8.5 Hz), 1.9 (s, ³H), 3.75 (¹H, J=7.9/5.8 Hz), for ¹³CNMR 168, 155.6, 129.3, 127.3, 127.3, 129.4, 127.6, 127.6, 116.4, 115.7, 114.1, 114.1, 128.4, 56.6, 42.7; HRMS: MS (ESI, m/z) (M+H)⁺ : Calcd. For $C_{25}H_{23}ClN_2O_4$: 450.91; found: 449.5.

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(-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-5-(4-nitro-phenyl)-4,5-dihydro-pyrazol-1-yl)-phenyl-methanone (2f): Yellowish brown powder, mol. formula- $C_{22}H_{16}ClN_3O_3$, mol. Wt–405.09; IR cm⁻¹ Sp² C-H stretch-3050.39, Sp³ C-H stretch-2930.94, Ter C-N stretch-1016.56, C-F stretch-1128.43, C=C stretch-1590; ¹HNMR 8.14 (¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.38 (¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.3 (¹H, J=7.6 Hz), 7.95(¹H, J=7.7 Hz), 7.44 (¹H, J=6.7 Hz), 6.7 (d, ¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 8.14 (¹H, J=7.4 Hz), 4.8 (¹H, J=10.3/8.5 Hz), 3.9 (s, ³H), for ¹³CNMR 155.6, 153.9, 168.2, 134.9, 130.4, 129.0, 127.3, 133.5, 125.4, 146.4, 62.2, 55.4, 42.7; HRMS: MS (ESI, m/z) (M+H)⁺ : Calcd. For $C_{22}H_{16}ClN_3O_3$: 405.09; found: 403.5.

(3-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-5-(4-hydroxy-phenyl)-4,5-dihydro-pyrazol-1yl)-phenyl-methanone (2g): Brown powder, mol. formula- $C_{22}H_{17}$ ClN₂O₂, mol. wt–376.84 ;IR cm⁻¹ OH stretch- 3335.06, Ar-CH stretch-3075, Ali CH stretch-2967, C=O stretch-1650, C=N stretch-1585, C-O stretch-1127, C-Cl stretch-830.47;¹HNMR 7.6 (¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.3 (¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.44 (¹H, J=7.6 Hz), 7.6 (¹H, J=7.7 Hz), 7.95 (¹H, J=6.7 Hz), 6.9 (d, ¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 6.68 (¹H, J=7.4 Hz), 5.0 (OH, J=7.5 Hz, for ¹³CNMR 159.1, 153.9, 146.2, 134.9, 130.0, 129.4, 127.6, 127.6, 116.4, 115.7, 114.1, 114.1, 113.9, 62.2, 55.4, 42.7; HRMS: MS (ESI, m/z) (M+H)⁺ : Calcd. For $C_{22}H_{17}CIN_2O^2$: 376.84; found: 367.5.

(3-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-5-(3-fluoro-phenyl)-4,5-dihydro-pyrazol-1-yl)-phenyl-methanone (2h): Reddish brown powder, mol. formula- $C_{22}H_{16}ClFN_2O$, mol. wt–376.83; IR cm⁻¹ OH stretch-3365, Ar-CH stretch-3065, Ali CH stretch-2935, C=O stretch-1735, C=N stretch-1611, C-O stretch-1125; 1HNMR 7.4 (1H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.79 (1H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.5 (1H, J=7.6 Hz), 7.44 (1H, J=7.7 Hz), 7.95 (1H, J=6.7 Hz), 6.8 (1H, J=8.6 Hz), 6.7 (1H, J=7.4 Hz), 6.7 (d, 1H, J=7.5 Hz), 4.8 (dd, 1H, J=10.3/8.5 Hz), 3.9 (s, 3H), 3.75 (dd, 1H, J=7.9/5.8 Hz), 3.15 (dd, 1H, J=16.1/8.4 Hz), for 13CNMR 159.1, 153.9, 146.2, 134.9, 130.0, 129.4, 127.6, 127.6, 116.4, 115.7, 114.1, 113.9, 62.2, 55.4, 42.7; HRMS: MS (ESI, m/z) (M+H)⁺ : Calcd. For $C_{22}H_{16}ClFN_2O$: 376.83; Found: 268.14.

(3-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-5-(3-nitro-phenyl)-4, 5-dihydro-pyrazol-1-yl)-phenyl-methanone (2i): Dark brown powder; mol. formula- $C_{22}H_{16}$ ClN₃O₃, mol. wt-405.83 ;OH stretch-3326, CH stretch-3059, Ali CH stretch-2948, C=O stretch-1744, Ar-CH stretch-3059, C=N stretch-1625, C-O stretch-1122; ¹HNMR 7.4 (¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.3 (¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.29 (¹H, J=7.6 Hz), 7.2 (¹H, J=7.7 Hz), 7.2 (¹H, J=6.7 Hz), 6.9 (¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 6.7 (¹H, J=7.4 Hz), 6.7 (¹H, J=7.5 Hz), 4.8 (¹H, J=10.3/8.5 Hz), 3.9 (s, ³H), 3.75 (d, ¹H, J=7.9/5.8 Hz), 3.15 (¹H, J=16.1/8.4 Hz), for ¹³CNMR 159.1, 153.9, 151.2, 144.5, 135.6, 135.5, 127.6, 127.6, 116.4, 115.7, 114.1, 113.9, 62.2, 55.4, 42.7; HRMS: MS (ESI, m/z) (M+H)+ : Calcd. For $C_{22}H_{16}CIN_3O_3$: 405.83; found: 268.144.

5-(3-nitro-phenyl)-1-phenyl-3-p-tolyl-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole (3a): Brown powder, mol. formula- $C_{22}H_{19}$ N₃O₂, mol. wt–357.41 ;IR cm⁻¹ Sp² C-H stretch-2967, C=O stretch-1688.5, C-N stretch-1326.9, C-NO₂ stretch-1350, C=C stretch-1517.20, 1613.9, N-H stretch-3336.0 ;¹HNMR 7.407 (¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 8.01 (¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 8.05 (¹H, J=7.6 Hz), 7.51 (¹H, J=7.7 Hz), 7.2 (¹H, J=6.7 Hz), 6.5 (¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 4.8 (d, ¹H, J=10.3/8.5 Hz), 3.9 (s, ³H), for ¹³CNMR 159.1, 153.9, 152.6, 130.5, 140.5, 129.4, 127.6, 127.6, 116.4, 115.7, 114.1, 114.1, 113.9, 62.2, 55.4, 40.8; HRMS: MS (ESI, m/z) (M+H)+ : Calcd. For $C_{22}H_{19}N_3O_2$: 357.41; found: 268.1441.

1-phenyl-3-p-tolyl-5-(3,4,5-trimethoxy-phenyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole (3b): Reddish brown powder; mol. formula- $C_{25}H_{26}N_{2}O_{3}$, mol. wt–405.49; OH stretch-3343, ArCH-2934, C=N stretch-1645, C-NO₂-1572, CO stretch-1120, N-H stretch-1329, C=O stretch-1739; ¹HNMR 9.2(¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 8.38 (¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 8.10 (¹H, J=7.6 Hz), 7.4 (¹H, J=7.7 Hz), 6.8 (¹H, J=6.7 Hz), 6.72 (d, ¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 5.82 (¹H, J=7.4 Hz), 4.28 (¹H, J=7.5 Hz), 4.8 (¹H, J=10.3/8.5 Hz), 3.32 (s, ³H), 3.28 (s, ¹H, J=7.9/5.8 Hz), 3.15 (dd, 1H, J=16.1/8.4 Hz), for ¹³CNMR 165.7, 151.9, 133.5, 149.5, 128.3, 126.4, 127.6, 127.6, 116.4, 115.7, 114.1, 113.9, 62.2, 42.7; HRMS: MS (ESI, m/z) (M+H)+ : Calcd. For $C_{25}H_{26}FN_{2}O_{3}$: 405.49; found: 404.5.

3-(2-phenyl-5-p-tolyl-3,4-dihydro-2H-pyrazol-3yl)-phenol (3c): Brick red powder, mol. formula-C₂₂H₂₀N₂O, mol. wt–328.41;IR cm⁻¹ Sp² C-H stretch- 3031.80, Sp³ C-H stretch-2950.50, Ter C-N stretch-1285.50, C-NO₂ stretch-1350.17, C=C stretch-1596.99, C-Cl stretch-695.30 ;¹HNMR 7.4 (d, ¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.3 (t, ¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.2 (t, ¹H, J=7.6 Hz), 7.2 (d, ¹H, J=6.7 Hz), 6.9 (d, ¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 6.7 (d, ¹H, J=7.4 Hz), 6.7 (d, ¹H, J=7.5 Hz), 4.8 (dd, ¹H, J=10.3/8.5 Hz), 3.9 (s, ³H), 3.75 (dd, ¹H, J=7.9/5.8 Hz), 3.15 (dd. ¹H, J=16.1/8.4 Hz), for ¹³CNMR 159.1, 153.9, 146.2, 134.9, 130.0, 129.4, 127.6, 127.6, 116.4, 115.7, 114.1, 114.1, 113.9, 62.2, 55.4, 42.7; HRMS: MS

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(ESI, m/z) (M+H)+: Calcd. For C23H19FN2O: 267.3258; found: 268.1441

5-(4-fluoro-phenyl)-1-phenyl-3-p-tolyl-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole (3d): Dark brown powder, mol. formula-C₂₂H₁₉FN₂, mol. w–330.40 ;IR cm⁻¹ Sp² C-H stretch-3037.89, Sp³ C-H stretch-2920.23, Ter C-N stretch-1219, C-NO₂ stretch-1315.17, C=C stretch-1598.99, C-Cl stretch-696.30; ¹HNMR7.4 (d, ¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.3 (t, ¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.2 (t, ¹H, J=7.6 Hz), 7.2 (d, ¹H, J=7.7 Hz), 7.2 (d, ¹H, J=6.7 Hz), 6.9 (d, ¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 6.7 (d, ¹H, J=7.4 Hz), 6.7 (d, ¹H, J=7.5 Hz), 4.8 (dd, ¹H, J=10..3/8.5 Hz), 3.9 (s, 3H), 3.75 (dd, ¹H, J=7.9/5.8 Hz), 3.15 (dd, 1H, J=16.1/8.4 Hz), for ¹³CNMR 159.1, 153.9, 146.2, 134.9, 130.0, 129.4, 127.6, 127.6, 116.4, 115.7, 114.1, 113.9, 62.2, 55.4, 42.7; HRMS: MS (ESI, m/z) (M+H)+ : Calcd. For C₂₃H₁₉FN₂O: 267.3258; found: 268.1441

3-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-1-phenyl-5-(3.4.5-trimethoxy-phenyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole (3e): Light brown powder, mol. formula-C₂₄H₂₃ClN₂O₃, mol. wt–422.90 ;IR cm⁻¹ Sp² C-H stretch-2958.80, Sp³ C-H stretch-2835.36, C-N stretch-1244.09, C-O stretch-1282.66, C=C stretch-1581.63, C-Cl stretch-779.24; ¹HNMR7.4 (d, ¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.3 (t, ¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.2 (t, ¹H, J=7.6 Hz), 7.2 (d, ¹H, J=7.7 Hz), 7.2 (d, ¹H, J=6.7 Hz), 6.9 (d, ¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 6.7 (d, ¹H, J=7.4 Hz), 6.7 (d, ¹H, J=7.5 Hz,), 4.8 (dd, ¹H, J=10.3/8.5 Hz), 3.9 (s, ³H), 3.75 (dd, ¹H, J=7.9/5.8 Hz), 3.15 (dd, ¹H, J=16.1/8.4 Hz), for ¹³CNMR 159.1, 153.9, 146.2, 134.9, 130.0, 129.4, 127.6, 127.6, 116.4, 115.7, 114.1, 114.1, 113.9, 62.2, 55.4, 42.7; HRMS: MS (ESI, m/z) (M+H)+ : Calcd. For C₂₃H₁₉FN₂O: 267.3258; found: 268.1441.

3-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-5-(3-nitro- phenyl)-1-phenyl-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole (3f): Dark brown powder, mol. formula- $C_{21}H_{16}$ ClN₃O₂, mol. wt–377.82; IR cm⁻¹ Sp2 C-H stretch-3051.39, Sp³ C-H stretch-2927.94, Ter C-N stretch-1014.56, C-F stretch-1126.43, C=C stretch-1598. ¹HNMR7.4 (d, 1H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.3 (t, ¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.2 (t, ¹H, J=7.6 Hz), 7.2 (d, ¹H, J=6.7 Hz), 6.9 (d, ¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 6.7 (d, ¹H, J=7.4 Hz), 6.7 (d, ¹H, J=7.5 Hz), 4.8 (dd, ¹H, J=10.3/8.5 Hz), 3.9 (s, 3H), 3.75 (dd, ¹H, J=7.9/5.8 Hz), 3.15 (dd, ¹H, J=16.1/8.4 Hz), for ¹³CNMR 159.1, 153.9, 146.2, 134.9, 130.0, 129.4, 127.6, 127.6, 116.4, 115.7, 114.1, 114.1, 113.9, 62.2, 55.4, 42.7; HRMS: MS (ESI, m/z) (M+H)+ : Calcd. For $C_{23}H_{19}FN_2O$: 267.3258; found: 268.1441

3-(5-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-2-phenyl-3,4-dihydro-2H-pyrazol-3-yl)-phenol (3g): Yellowish brown powder, mol. formula- $C_{21}H_{17}CIN_{2}O$, mol. wt–348.83 ;IR cm⁻¹ OH stretch-3333.06, Ar-CH stretch-3060, Ali CH stretch-2967, C=O stretch-1674, C=N stretch-1588, C-O stretch-1125, C-Cl stretch-825.47, ¹HNMR 9.84 (1H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.85 (1H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.79 (¹H, J=7.6 Hz), 7.63 (¹H, J=7.7 Hz), 7.5 (¹H, J=6.7 Hz), 7.31 (d, ¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 6.87 (¹H, J=7.4 Hz), 6.79 (¹H, J=7.5 Hz), 5.18 (¹H, J=10.3/8.5 Hz), 3.9 (s, 3H), for ¹³CNMR 167.2, 151.6 159.1, 153.9, 146.2, 134.9, 130.0, 129.4, 127.6, 127.6, 116.4, 115.7, 114.1, 113.9, 62.2, 55.4, 42.7, 38.3 ; HRMS: MS (ESI, m/z) (M+H)+ : Calcd. For $C_{21}H_{17}CIN_{2}O$: 348.83; found: 268.1441.

3-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-5-(4-fluro-phenyl)-1-phenyl-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole (3h): Brown powder, Mol. Formula- $C_{21}H_{16}$ ClFN₂, Mol.Wt–350.85; IR cm⁻¹ OH stretch-3369, Ar-CH stretch-3066, Ali CH stretch-2938, C=O stretch-1737, C=N stretch-1601, C-O stretch-1123, ¹HNMR 8.96 (1H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.84 (¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.82 (1H, J=7.6 Hz), 7.71 (¹H, J=7.7 Hz), 7.043 (¹H, J=6.7 Hz), 6.84 (¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 6.7 (¹H, J=7.4 Hz), 6.711 (¹H, J=7.5 Hz,), 5.65 (¹H, J=10.3/8.5 Hz), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.75 (1H, J=7.9/5.8 Hz), 3.15 (s, 1H, J=16.1/8.4 H-+z), for ¹³CNMR 168, 162.1, 151.1, 137.6, 134.8, 133.4, 131.6, 127.6, 116.4, 115.7, 114.1, 113.9, 67.2, 55.4, 42.7; HRMS: MS (ESI, m/z) (M+H)+ : Calcd. For $C_{21}H_{16}FN_2O$: 350.85; found: 349.5.

3-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-5-(4-nitro-phenyl)-1-phenyl-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole (3i): Reddish brown powder, mol. formula- $C_{21}H_{16}$ ClN₃O₂, mol. wt–377.8; OH stretch-3326, CH stretch-3059, Ali CH stretch-2948, C=O stretch-1744, Ar-CH stretch-3059, C=N stretch-1625, C-O stretch-1122; ¹HNMR 10.16 (¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 8.98 (¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 7.93 (¹H, J=7.6 Hz), 7.65 (¹H, J=7.7 Hz), 7.63 (¹H, J=6.7 Hz), 6.8 (¹H, J=8.6 Hz), 6.73 (¹H, J=7.4 Hz), 5.65 (¹H, J=7.5 Hz,), 4.8 (d, ¹H, J=10.3/8.5 Hz), 3.4 (s, 3H), 3.75 (¹H, J=7.9/5.8 Hz), 3.15 (¹H, J=16.1/8.4 Hz), for ¹³CNMR 170.9, 167.6, 149.2, 148.9, 143.5, 137.2, 135.6, 132.9,112.5, 115.7, 114.1, 114.1, 112.9, 62.6, 57.9, 41.2; HRMS: MS (ESI, m/z) (M+H)+ : Calcd. For $C_{21}H_{16}ClN_3O_2$: 377.8; found: 376.5.

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Biological activity

Antioxidant activity: DPPH radical scavenging method DPPH is a stable free radical widely used to assess the radical scavenging activity of antioxidant components. DPPH free radical has a stable violet colour in methanol and becomes colourless or yellow colour when paired with antioxidant or reducing agents. These radicals can accept the odd electron or hydrogen from the antioxidant and converted to a stable diamagnetic molecule (yellow). To identify the antioxidant activity, the solution of synthesised compounds has been prepared by dissolving in methanol (100 μ g/ml). Simultaneously, a solution of DPPH was also prepared in another container had been shown maximum absorbance at 517 nm due to the presence of stable 1,1-diphenyl 2-picryl hydrazyl stable free radical (violet colour). Each test compound (4 ml) was added to 4 ml of DPPH solution and kept aside for 30 min at room temperature. Absorbance was measured at 517 nm using a Shimadzu ultraviolet spectrometer. Blank and standard absorbance were also calibrated. Antioxidant activity of ascorbic acid derivatives was determined through directly substituting the absorbance in the mentioned formula.

Percentage inhibition = $\frac{\text{Absorbance of control} - \text{Absorbance of sample} \times 10}{\text{Absorbance of control}}$

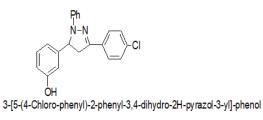
DPPH method: DPPH is a perfect method to evaluate the antioxidant activity of newly synthesised compounds due to the short time required for the analysis and high reliability. The result reveals that decreases the absorbance due to the antioxidant molecule may supply the electron to the DPPH free radical. Most of the compounds were shown excellent antioxidant activity. The anti-oxidant activity of synthesised compounds was shown in Table 2 (Figures 4-6).

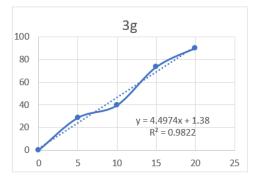
Sr.no.	Comp. code	% Inhibition				
		5 µg/ml	10 µg/ml	15 μg/ml	20 µg/ml	IC50 µg/ml
1	3a	20.51	35.61	79.74	86.04	10.37
2	3b	35.89	42.67	70.25	85.44	10.78
3	3c	19.54	38.93	62.65	75.82	12.72
4	3d	28.61	39.67	59.75	86.70	11.72
5	3e	24.45	44.76	71.51	77.84	11.56
6	3f	30.65	43.62	79.11	87.97	10.38
7	3g	28.64	39.67	73.41	90.05	10.82
Std.	Ascorbic acid	38.99	55.78	72.51	93.15	9.52

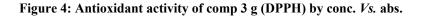
Table 2: Antioxidant activity of pyrazoline derivatives (IC50 in µg/mL).

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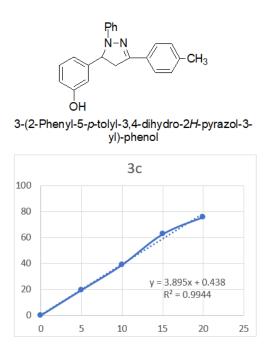


Figure 5: Antioxidant activity of comp 3 c (DPPH) by conc. Vs. abs.

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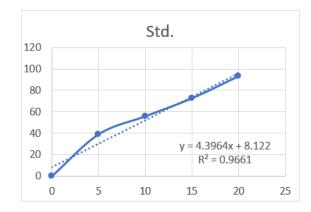


Figure 6: Antioxidant activity of Std. comp (DPPH) by conc. Vs. abs.

Anti-inflammatory activity

Anti-inflammatory agents inhibit the cyclooxygenase enzymes which are responsible for the conversion of arachidonic acid to prostaglandins. Because Human Red Blood Cell (HRBC) membranes are similar to these lysosomal membrane components, the prevention of hypotonicity induced HRBC membrane lysis was taken as a measure in estimating anti-inflammatory activity. Thus, HRBC membrane stabilization method was used to estimate anti-inflammatory activity of all synthesized compounds.

According to this result, the newly synthesized pyrazolines had more promising anti-inflammatory activity compared with β - diketones and flavones. Compound 3c showed the most promising activity (EC₅₀=11.00 ± 1.26 µg/mL). Among the series. Compounds 3d and 3e showed good anti-inflammatory activity. Compared with standard Aspirin (EC₅₀=11.70 ± 0.98 µg/mL). Fresh whole human blood was collected and it was mixed with equal volumes of sterilized Alsever's solution (dextrose 2%, sodium citrate 0.8%, citric acid 0.05%, sodium chloride 0.42% and distilled water 100 mL). this blood solution was centrifuged at 3000 rpm for 10 min and was washed three times with equal volume of normal saline. The volume of the blood is measured and reconstituted as 10% v/v suspension with normal saline. The reaction mixture consists of 1.0 mL of test sample of different concentrations in normal saline and 0.5 mL of 10% HRBC suspension, 1 mL of 0.2 M phosphate buffer, 1 mL hyposaline were incubated at 37°C for 30 min and centrifuged at 3000 rpm for 30 mints, the haemoglobin content of the supernatant solution was used as standard and distilled water as control in this study. Where the blood control represents 100% lysis or zero percent stability, the percentage of HRBC haemolysis calculated by formula (Table 3).

% Haemolysis=100-absorbance of sample/absorbance of control × 100

Compounds	Anti-inflammatory activity in μg/mL (EC ₅₀ ±SD)
2a	58.23 ± 2.36
2b	54.00 ± 2.13

Table 3: Anti-inflammatory activity of pyrazoline derivatives (IC₅₀ in µg/mL).

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2c	52.23 ± 2.19
2d	36.00 ± 2.03
3a	50.13 ± 2.03
3b	49.99 ± 1.33
3c	11.23 ± 1.26
3d	14.03 ± 2.15
3e	15.98 ± 0.57
Aspirin	11.70 ± 0.98

Antimicrobial activity: All the synthesized compounds were screened for their antibacterial *Staphylococcus aureus* and *Escherichia coli* organisms using a modified agar diffusion assay method streptomycin was used as positive control. Incubation time and period for antibacterial activity was at 37°C for 24 hrs results of antimicrobial activities are expressed in terms of ZOI. The result of activity of the synthesized compounds is shown in Table 3 respectively. Based upon the value of ZOI in mm, compounds are classified as, significantly active (ZOI \geq 15), moderately active (ZOI 13 to 14), poor active (ZOI 10 to 12) and least active (ZOI less than 10). The investigation of antibacterial screening shows that compound 3b exhibited highest activity against *E.coli*, 3c have maximum zone of inhibition against *S. aureus* respectively. Overall compound 3a and 3e had good activity against both gram negative and gram positive bacteria (Table 4).

Microorganism →	Zone of inhibition (mm) of compounds		
Comp.	Gram negative	Gram positive	
code	E. Coli	S. aureus	
3a	13 mm	12 mm	
3b	18 mm	15 mm	
3c	14.5 mm	9 mm	
3d	10.5 mm	10.5 mm	
3e	16.5 mm	11.7 mm	
Streptomycin	21 mm	24 mm	

Table 4: Antimicrobial activity of pyrazoline derivatives.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Microwave assisted synthesis, in general, has a large impact on synthetic organic chemistry compared to traditional processing of organic synthesis. Microwave enhanced organic synthesis saves significant time and very often improves yields. In order to synthesize the chalcones, benzaldehyde was treated with different heteroaryl active methyl compounds under conventional heating method by using ethanol as a solvent in basic condition. It was found that the synthesis of chalcones attempted by conventional method took a longer time (36 h) for completion of reaction with moderate yield (65%-70%). In order to find the best reaction conditions and to obtain chalcones in a short span of time with improved yield, subsequent studies were carried out using microwave irradiation technique under solvent free condition. As visualized, the reaction proceeded smoothly and the chalcones were obtained in excellent yields (82%-92%) within a few minutes (3-5 min). The assigned molecular structures of all pyrazoline were based on spectroscopic analysis (IR, ¹H, ¹³C NMR, and MS) and elemental analysis data. Regarding the structure of pyrazoline from chalcone,

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the assignment of 3a, was described. The IR spectra of 3a showed characteristic absorption band at 3251 cm¹ and 3384 cm¹ due to the presence NH and OH groups.

It has been reported that a, b-unsaturated ketone which are attractive due to their electrophilic properties can react with nitrogenous bases to give the corresponding pyrazolines. Thus, a series of pyrazoline derivatives were obtained by refluxing of chalcones (1a-i) with hydrazine hydrate (2a-i) and INH (3a-i) in ethanol in the presence of catalytic amount of glacial acetic acid (scheme 1), but due to partial solubility of it took longer time for completion of reaction (36 h) and afforded the products with low percentage yield (57%-68%). To accelerate the reaction and to improve the yield of products, the microwave irradiation technique was applied. The microwave-assisted reaction in solvent and catalystfree environment proceeded efficiently and completed within 3-5 min with excellent yield of products (76%-89%). Formation of pyrazolines (3a, 2d, 2h) established on the basis of IR, 1H NMR, and mass spectral analysis. The IR spectrum of 5a showed two broad absorption bands at 3681 cm¹ and 3270 cm¹ due to the presence of C=O groups of pyrazoline respectively. The absorption band for the carbonyl group was discernible at 1680 cm¹. The 1H NMR spectrum showed a broad singlet at δ 8.7 due to the presence of 1H proton. The presence of pyrazoline unit was clearly indicated by the presence of two double doublets at δ 4.01 (2H), 7.16 (H). Further confirmation of the structure was provided by mass spectrometry, which showed molecular ion peak at m/z 346. During the course of reaction for the synthesis of compounds 2a-i and 3a-i, we examined the reaction time by conventional heating method and microwave irradiation method. It was clear that the microwave assisted synthesis of compounds 2a-i and 3a-i were found to be time specific as compared to conventional method, led to the formation of compounds in short time, and overall yield much higher than the conventional route of synthesis (Table 1).

All the synthesized pyrazoline derivatives were screened for antioxidant activity by using DPPH free radical scavenging assay. Ascorbic acid was used as standard for the activity. The results of antioxidant activity showed that few compounds showed considerable antioxidant activity while the 3c and 3g showed good to excellent antioxidant activity (IC₅₀=48.13 and 46.03 µg/ml), remaining synthesized compounds showed poor activity. All the synthesized pyrazoline derivatives were screened for anti-microbial activity shows that compound 2b and 2e exhibited highest activity against *E. coli* and *S. aureus*, 2c have maximum zone of inhibition against S. aureus remaining compound had good activity against both gram negative and gram-positive bacteria. According to this result, the newly synthesized pyrazolines had more promising anti-inflammatory activity compared with β -diketones and flavones. Compound 3c showed the most promising activity (EC₅₀=11.00 ± 1.26 µg/mL) among the series. Compounds 3d and 3e showed good anti-inflammatory activity. Compared with standard aspirin (EC₅₀=11.70 ± 0.98 µg/mL).

CONCLUSION

A series of novel heterocyclic derivatives containing pyrazoline ring were derived from chalcones and based on the study activities have been voted for the anti-inflammatory and as biological screening. From the analytical study such as IR, ¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR and mass spectrometry we got to know determination and identification of the chemical composition of synthesized drugs. As synthesized compounds are found to show moderate to good anti-inflammatory activity in appraisal with standards, further modification in the structure of compounds may lead to development of potent anti-inflammatory moiety. Among the series 3b and 3f found to be most potent anti-inflammatory drugs. It can be concluded that presence of electron withdrawing groups may be responsible for showing anti-inflammatory activity.

From the synthesized derivatives it can be resolved that the results of anti-oxidant activity showed moderate to good activity in appraisal with standards. Among all the synthesized compounds 3c and 3g were found to show most potent activity at 30 ppm and 40 ppm whereas compounds 3d and 3f showed moderate activity among tested compounds. Remaining synthesized derivatives showed very poor activity comparing with standard. Antimicrobial activity was performed by using broth dilution method using streptomycin as standard. Compound 2b and 2e were found to be most active compound and remaining compounds 2a, 2c and 2d showed poor activity among tested compounds. Hence, newly synthesized pyrazoline derivatives possess considerable anti-inflammatory, antioxidant and antimicrobial activity. Structure and biological activity relationship of title compound showed that the electron withdrawing group enhanced the activity.

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