

Novel sulfones based on the dithioderivatives of 2(5H)-furanone

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Abstract

The synthetic methods of new sulfones based on dithio-derivatives of 2(5H)-furanone were investigated. The action of excess amount of hydrogen peroxide solution in acetic acid to furanone bis-thioethers based on ethane-1,2-dithiol allowed to obtain corresponding disulfones. 3-Chloro-4,5-di-[(4-methylphenyl)sulfonyl]-2(5H)-furanone oxidizes to disulfone derivative by using of *m*-chloroperbenzoic acid as the reagent, while hydrogen peroxide in acetic acid causes the cleavage of C⁵-S bond forming 3-chloro-5-hydroxy-4-[(4-methylphenyl)sulfonyl]-2(5H)-furanone and tosylacetic acid. Monosulfone based on 4,5-dithio-derivative was synthesized via thiolation reaction of 3,4-dichloro-5-[(4-methylphenyl)sulfonyl]-2(5H)-furanone under the base catalysis conditions. The structure of the three new sulfone derivatives of furanone was characterized by X-ray analysis.