

Synthesis of alkyl *N*-(aminocarbonyl)arylcarbohydrazonates and *N*-(aminocarbonyl)arylcarbohydronamides, potential anticonvulsants

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Abstract

The exploration trend of the anticonvulsant activity of semicarbazones has developed since the 90s of the twentieth century. So far, a large group of semicarbazones has been researched on the anticonvulsant activity on generalized tonic-clonic and myoclonic seizure is also an absence seizure. The influence of semicarbazones on the level of GABA in brain cells of rodents is determined. The proposed site for binding semicarbazones with the active site of the ferment enhancing the activity of inhibitory neurons has also been researched. Atomic charges were calculated and contribution of each atom to binding with the ferment was appraised on the basis of this model. The pharmacophoric model of semicarbazones was elucidated. Basic requirements for the structure of semicarbazones for a demonstration of anticonvulsant activity are described. The main regularities of the material structure and activity of semicarbazones are revealed. Experimental data have been compared with data on the activity of drugs widely used in medical practice, such as phenytoin, carbamazepine, valproic acid, and phenobarbital. Some semicarbazones surpass these preparations by exerting the least neurotoxicity thus providing high defense and high protection indices. In this work, we report synthesis structural analogues of semicarbazones – alkyl *N*-(aminocarbonyl)-arylcarbohydronates. We also research the elucidation of the influence on the environment to the reaction between alkoxy benzocarboxy-imidoate hydrochlorides and semicarbazide hydrochloric acid on the formation of *N*-(aminocarbonyl)-arylcarbohydronates or *N*-(aminocarbonyl)benzocarbohydronamide. On the basis of quantum-chemical calculations of the received compounds and comparing results with the previously-reported information, we can decide the potentially high anticonvulsant activity of these compounds due to the presence of additional electron-donating groups in the binding region with the active site of the ferment and the presence of a hydrophobic alkyl substituent in the binding region with the hydrophobic part of the ferment.

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