

I₂/DMSO-Catalyzed Transformation of *N*-Tosylhydrazones to 1,2,3-Thiadiazoles

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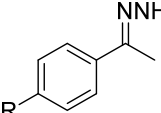
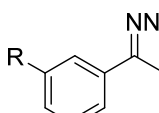
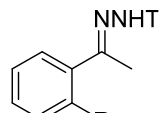
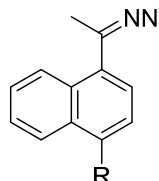
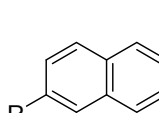
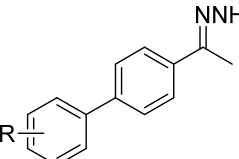
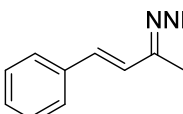
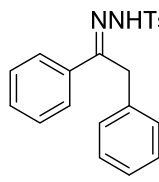
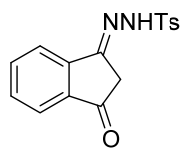
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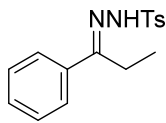
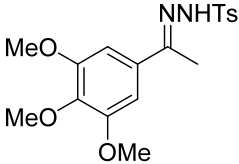
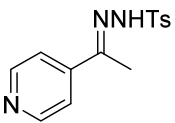
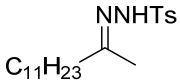
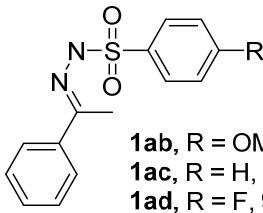
Materials and instruments

Chemicals were obtained commercially and used as received. NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker DPX-400 spectrometer using TMS as the internal standard. DMSO as solvent was used directly without any treatment. All products were isolated by short chromatography on a silica gel (200–300 mesh) column using petroleum ether (60–90 °C), unless otherwise noted. All of reagents were of analytical grade quality, purchased from Adamas-beta Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

General procedure for the synthesis of aryl sulfonylhydrazones **1**

To a round bottom flask (25 mL), anhydrous ethanol (3 mL), aryl ketone (2 mmol), and aryl sulfonyl hydrazide (2.1 mmol) were added. The reaction mixture was stirred at 60 °C for 4 h, and the complete consumption of aryl ketone was confirmed by TLC. The solution was cooled until solid precipitate. The product aryl sulfonylhydrazone **1** was obtained by filtering, washing with petroleum ether, and drying in vacuo.

 1a, R = H, 98% 1b, R = CH₃, 98% 1c, R = n-C₄H₉, 85% 1d, R = MeO, 93% 1e, R = F, 88% 1f, R = Cl, 85% 1g, R = Br, 85% 1h, R = I, 80% 1i, R = CF₃, 92%	 1j, R = NO₂, 70% 1k, R = MeO, 90%	 1l, R = CH₃, 90% 1m, R = OH, 75%
 1n, R = H, 98% 1o, R = F, 80%	 1p, R = H, 95% 1q, R = OMe, 90%	 1r, R = H, 98% 1s, R = 3-Me, 65% 1t, R = 4-Me, 80%
 1u, Yield: 98%	 1v, Yield: 60%	 1w, Yield: 58%

 1x, Yield: 65%	 1y, Yield: 95%	 1z, Yield: 98%
 1aa, Yield: 85%	 1ab, R = OMe, 93% 1ac, R = H, 85% 1ad, R = F, 90%	

General procedure for a I₂/DMSO-catalyzed transformation from N-tosylhydrazones and sulfur to 4-aryl 1,2,3-thiadiazoles

A mixture of substituted *N*-tosylhydrazones (0.3 mmol), sulfur (0.6 mmol), I₂ (10 mol%) were loaded into a Schlenk tube (25 mL). Then, the tube was degassed for 30 s and filled with Argon. This process was repeated for a total of three times. Afterward, DMSO (3 mL) was added under an argon atmosphere. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred and heated to 100 °C for 5 h. After reaction completion, the solution was quenched the saturated solution of sodium thiosulfate (5 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3 × 10 mL). The combined EtOAc extracts were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel using PE/EtOAc as the eluent.

General procedure for the synthesis of 4-aryl-1,2,3-thiadiazoles via one-pot fashion

A Schlenk tube (25mL) equipped with a stir bar was charged with TsNHNH₂ (0.33 mmol), sulfur (0.6 mmol), I₂ (10 mol%). Then, the tube was degassed for 30 s and filled with Argon. This process was repeated for a total of three times. Afterward, aryl ketone (0.3 mmol) and DMSO (3 mL) was added under an argon atmosphere. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred and heated to 100 °C for 5 h. After reaction completion, the solution was quenched the saturated solution of sodium thiosulfate (5 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3 × 10 mL). The combined EtOAc extracts were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel using PE/EtOAc as the eluent.

4-Phenyl-1,2,3-thiadiazole [3a] ^[1]

White solid; Yield: 44.8 mg (92%); mp 76-77 °C (lit., 76-77 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.65 (s, 1H), 8.04 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.51 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 162.88, 130.81, 130.04, 129.45, 129.19, 127.41.

4-(p-Tolyl)-1,2,3-thiadiazole [3b] ^[1]

White solid; Yield: 43.6 mg (83%); mp 74-75 °C (lit., 74-75 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.58 (s, 1H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.41 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 162.97, 139.50, 129.86, 129.38, 128.06, 127.30, 21.38.

4-(4-Butylphenyl)-1,2,3-thiadiazole [3c] ^[2]

White solid; Yield: 58.3 mg (89%); mp 68-69 °C (lit., 68-69 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.58 (s, 1H), 7.94 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.67 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 1.68 – 1.60 (m, 2H), 1.43 – 1.34 (m, 2H), 0.94 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 163.01, 144.52, 129.36, 129.23, 128.26, 127.32, 35.48, 33.49, 22.36, 13.98.

4-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-1,2,3-thiadiazole [3d] ^[1]

White solid; Yield: 50.9 mg (88%); mp 89-90 °C (lit., 89-90 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.43 (s, 1H), 7.90 – 7.86 (m, 2H), 6.95 – 6.91 (m, 2H), 3.78 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 162.70, 160.52, 128.74, 128.50, 123.55, 114.54, 55.40.

4-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1,2,3-thiadiazole [3e] ^[1]

White solid; Yield: 48.7 mg (90%); mp 101-102 °C (lit., 101-102 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.61 (s, 1H), 8.06 – 8.01 (m, 2H), 7.23 – 7.17 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 163.38 (d, *J*_{C-F}=250.48 Hz), 161.85, 129.77, 129.25 (d, *J*_{C-F}=9.09 Hz), 127.08 (d, *J*_{C-F}=4.04 Hz), 116.24 (d, *J*_{C-F}=22.22 Hz).

4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1,2,3-thiadiazole [3f] ^[1]

White solid; Yield: 50.8 mg (86%); mp 136-137 °C (lit., 136-137 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.65 (s, 1H), 8.01 – 7.98 (m, 2H), 7.51 – 7.47 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 161.73, 135.43, 130.18, 129.43, 129.29, 128.63.

4-(4-Bromophenyl)-1,2,3-thiadiazole [3g] ^[1]

White solid; Yield: 59.2 mg (82%)/1.57 g (87%, gram-scale synthesis); mp 150-151 °C (lit., 150-151 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.66 (s, 1H), 7.94 – 7.91 (m, 2H), 7.66 –

7.62 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 161.75, 132.38, 130.28, 129.72, 128.87, 123.66.

4-(4-Iodophenyl)-1,2,3-thiadiazole [3h]^[1]

White solid; Yield: 79.6 mg (92%); mp 161-162 °C (lit., 161-162 °C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.66 (s, 1H), 7.85 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.79 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 161.86, 138.34, 130.28, 128.97, 95.42.

4-(4-(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-1,2,3-thiadiazole [3i]^[1]

White solid; Yield: 56.7 mg (82%); mp 92-93 °C (lit., 92-93 °C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.70 (s, 1H), 8.09 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 161.34, 134.07, 131.48, 131.23 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 33.33 Hz), 127.65, 126.18 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 4.04 Hz), 123.9 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 272.7 Hz).

4-(3-Nitrophenyl)-1,2,3-thiadiazole [3j]^[3]

White solid; Yield: 57.0 mg (91%); mp 175-176 °C (lit., 209-211 °C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.79 (s, 1H), 8.39 (dt, J = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 8.24 (ddd, J = 8.3, 2.3, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 160.41, 148.82, 133.17, 132.42, 131.83, 130.35, 124.02, 122.15.

4-(3-Methoxyphenyl)-1,2,3-thiadiazole [3k]^[3]

White solid; Yield: 53.1 mg (92%); mp 84-85 °C (lit., 70-73 °C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.64 (s, 1H), 7.65 (s, 1H), 7.56 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (dd, J = 4.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 3.88 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 162.72, 160.19, 132.03, 130.31, 130.23, 119.70, 115.37, 112.73, 55.45.

4-(o-Tolyl)-1,2,3-thiadiazole [3l]^[1]

White solid; Yield: 47.4 mg (90%); mp 74-75 °C (lit., 74-75 °C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.51 (s, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.41 – 7.29 (m, 3H), 2.45 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 162.55, 136.74, 133.01, 131.14, 130.49, 130.37, 129.33, 126.24, 21.02.

2-(1,2,3-Thiadiazol-4-yl)phenol [3m]^[3]

White solid; Yield: 38.3 mg (72%); mp 102-103 °C (lit., 155-157 °C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 10.53 (s, 1H), 8.79 (s, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H),

7.13 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.98 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.21, 156.00, 131.36, 130.13, 127.51, 120.11, 118.27, 114.62.

4-(Naphthalen-1-yl)-1,2,3-thiadiazole [3n]^[3]

White solid; Yield: 58.5 mg (92%); mp 198-200 °C (lit., 197-201 °C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.66 (s, 1H), 8.11 – 8.04 (m, 1H), 7.99 – 7.91 (m, 2H), 7.75 (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.61 – 7.47 (m, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 161.97, 134.24, 133.90, 131.47, 130.04, 128.59, 128.45, 127.13, 126.36, 125.31, 125.16.

4-(4-Fluoronaphthalen-1-yl)-1,2,3-thiadiazole [3o]^[2]

White solid; Yield: 57.0 mg (83%); mp 207-208 °C (lit., 207-208 °C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.64 (s, 1H), 8.19 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 8.06 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.66 (dd, $J = 8.0$, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 7.54-7.62 (m, 2H), 7.22 (dd, $J = 10.0$, 7.9 Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 161.32, 159.61 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}=256.54$ Hz), 134.29, 132.88 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}=5.05$ Hz), 128.59 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}=9.09$ Hz), 128.06, 126.70 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}=2.02$ Hz), 125.26 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}=3.03$ Hz), 124.61 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}=4.04$ Hz), 124.04 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}=16.16$ Hz), 121.02 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}=6.06$ Hz), 109.16 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}=20.2$ Hz).

4-(Naphthalen-2-yl)-1,2,3-thiadiazole [3p]^[1]

White solid; Yield: 63.3 mg (98%); mp 202-203 °C (lit., 202-203 °C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.68 (s, 1H), 8.55 (s, 1H), 8.05 (dd, $J = 8.5$, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.88 – 7.82 (m, 1H), 7.54 – 7.49 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.90, 133.66, 133.48, 130.19, 129.00, 128.54, 128.08, 127.84, 126.94, 126.89, 126.81, 124.76.

4-(6-Methoxynaphthalen-2-yl)-1,2,3-thiadiazole [3q]^[2]

White solid; Yield: 68.8 mg (95%); mp 150-151 °C (lit., 150-151 °C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.67 (s, 1H), 8.50 (s, 1H), 8.05 (dd, $J = 8.6$, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (dd, $J = 8.6$, 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.22 – 7.14 (m, 2H), 3.94 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 163.12, 158.50, 135.00, 130.04, 129.41, 128.92, 127.74, 126.71, 125.99, 125.31, 119.69, 105.79, 55.39.

4-([1,1'-Biphenyl]-4-yl)-1,2,3-thiadiazole [3r]^[1]

White solid; Yield: 69.9mg (97%); mp 183-184 °C (lit., 183-184 °C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.68 (s, 1H), 8.13 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.75 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.68 – 7.64 (m,

2H), 7.48 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.39 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 162.60, 142.22, 140.24, 129.83, 129.71, 128.93, 127.84, 127.82, 127.09.

4-(3'-Methyl-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-1,2,3-thiadiazole [3s] ^[2]

White solid; Yield: 65.7 mg (87%); mp 182-183°C (lit., 182-183 °C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.65 (s, 1H), 8.15 – 8.07 (m, 2H), 7.77 – 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.45 (d, $J = 8.9$ Hz, 2H), 7.36 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.20 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.44 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 162.63, 142.32, 140.20, 138.56, 129.82, 129.62, 128.85, 128.55, 127.84, 127.77, 124.20, 21.59.

4-(4'-Methyl-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-1,2,3-thiadiazole [3t] ^[2]

White solid; Yield: 62.7 mg (83%); mp 186-187°C (lit., 186-187 °C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.64 (s, 1H), 8.13 – 8.06 (m, 2H), 7.77 – 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.57 – 7.52 (m, 2H), 7.28 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 2.41 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 162.66, 142.13, 137.67, 137.32, 129.72, 129.66, 129.42, 127.79, 127.60, 126.91, 21.18.

(E)-4-styryl-1,2,3-thiadiazole [3u] ^[4]

White solid; Yield: 40.2 mg (72%); mp 80-81°C (lit., 80-81 °C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.37 (s, 1H), 7.71 (d, $J = 16.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.57 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.43 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.39 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.36 – 7.30 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.27, 136.15, 134.69, 130.23, 128.87, 128.72, 126.94, 117.11.

4,5-diphenyl-1,2,3-thiadiazole[3v] ^[5]

White solid; Yield: 25.0 mg (35%); mp 92-93°C (lit., 92-93 °C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.99 (s, 1H), 7.97 (s, 1H), 7.69 – 7.61 (m, 2H), 7.51 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 3H), 7.42 – 7.34 (m, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 134.91, 133.00, 131.61, 129.92, 129.35, 129.20, 129.17, 129.04, 128.73, 128.35.

8H-indeno[1,2-d][1,2,3]thiadiazol-8-one[3w] ^[6]

Yellow solid; Yield: 19.8 mg (45%); mp 124-125°C (lit., 124-125 °C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.77 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.69 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.58 (td, $J = 7.6, 1.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.38 (td, $J = 7.6, 1.0$ Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 179.39, 177.25, 147.20, 138.70, 136.20, 135.56, 130.22, 126.54, 121.63.

5-methyl-4-phenyl-1,2,3-thiadiazole [3x] ^[7]

White solid; Yield: 11.1 mg (21%); mp 40-41°C (lit., 40-41 °C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz,

CDCl₃) δ 7.68 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 7.48 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.38 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 2.64 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.72, 146.50, 131.20, 128.83, 128.80, 128.73, 10.55.

4-(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)-1,2,3-thiadiazole [**3y**]^[8]

White solid; Yield: 64.3 mg (85%); mp 91-93°C (lit., 91-93 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.64 (s, 1H), 7.29 (s, 2H), 3.95 (s, 6H), 3.92 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.70, 153.79, 139.16, 129.68, 126.30, 104.68, 61.00, 56.32.

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The Spectra of ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR

