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# Halo-heterocyclization of butenyl(prenyl)thioethers of 4,5-diphenyl-1,2,4-triazol-3-thiole into triazolo[5,1-b] [1,3]thiazinium systems: experimental and theoretical evolution

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#### Abstract

A facile and highly efficient regioselective synthesis of partially saturated triazolo[5,1-*b*][1,3]thiazinium salts by the electrophilic heterocyclization of the butenyl thioethers of 4,5-diphenyl-1,2,4-triazol-3-thiol with halogens was developed. Under developed conditions, electrophilic cyclization reactions proceeded smoothly and cleanly and the corresponding fused products were obtained in high yields in all cases examined. Herein, we also report the studying of the regiochemistry of this process using computer simulation methods, XDR, and spectral investigations for explaining of electrophilic cyclization mechanism and solving of final products structure.

## **Graphic abstract**



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# Introduction

Triazolo[5,1-b][1,3]thiazines have attracted considerable attention because of the availability of synthesis [1-5] and their high pharmacological effects [6-8]. Herein, we have used the method of electrophilic heterocyclization, which

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<sup>2</sup> SSI "Institute for Single Crystals" NASU, Nauky ave. 60, Kharkiv 61001, Ukraine became indispensable for the synthesis of the broad range of fused heterocycles [9-23].

In our previous work, we have established that electrophilic heterocyclization of propenyl and propargyl thioethers of 1,2,4-triazole in acetic acid leads regioselectively to annelation of a five- or six-membered ring, depending on the nature of the unsaturated fragment [5, 24–26]. However, D. Kim and co-authors have described the decreasing of the regioselectivity using non-polar solvents [27]. In addition, they have noted the high regioselectivity of iodination of alkenyl thioethers with the introduction of triflouromethyl substituent at the C(5) of triazole ring [28]. We have continued to study the impact of nature of alkenyl moiety on the regiochemistry of electrophilic cyclization. Herein, we wish to report about highly efficient regioselective synthesis

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of triazolo[5,1-b][1,3]thiazinium salts by the electrophilic heterocyclization of the butenyl thioethers of 4,5-diphenyl-1,2,4-triazol-3-thiol with halogens, as well as about the studying of the regiochemistry of this process using computer simulation methods and spectral investigations.

## **Results and discussion**

## General synthetic methodology

To begin our initial investigation, three unsaturated thioethers **2a–2c** were first synthesized to evaluate their ability to promote the regioselective electrophilic cyclization under the action of halogens loading at room temperature in AcOH (Scheme 1). The optimal scale for the production of starting butenyl derivatives **2a–2c** was to the usage of 10 mmol of triazole **1**, 12 mmol of a base and 12 mmol of corresponding alkenyl bromide at refluxing in ethanol during 1 h. After cooling to room temperature, the solid products were filtered off, washed with deionized water, dried, and purified by crystallization from ethanol. This procedure turned out to be sufficient to obtain the desired products with high spectroscopic and analytical purity.

The electrophilic halocyclization of received thioethers 3a-3c was performed in different solvents at constant stirring, room temperature, and two-fold excess of halogen (Scheme 1). We have found that a substantial change of the solvent has a significant effect on the halocyclization. Among the solvents tested, the glacial acetic acid appeared to be the most suitable reaction medium, giving the product with 84–89% yield (Table 1, entries 1, 6, 7). Despite the fact that MeCN slightly reduces the reaction yields (down to 86% and 80% for the bromination and iodination, respectively,

Entry	Electrophile	Solvent	Yield/%	
1	Br <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub> COOH		
2	Br <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	86	
3	Br <sub>2</sub>	$CCl_4$	54	
4	Br <sub>2</sub>	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	67	
5	Br <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	58	
6	IBr	CH <sub>3</sub> COOH	84	
7	I <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub> COOH	85	
8	I <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	80	
9	I <sub>2</sub>	CCl <sub>4</sub>	70	
10	I <sub>2</sub>	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	74	
11	I <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>3</sub>	70	
12	I <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> OH	81	

Table 1 Impact of solvent on cyclization of thioether 2a-3a

entries 2, 8), it is an interesting alternative for the glacial acetic acid, especially when starting thioether also contains amine moiety [19]. Screening of solvents reveal that more polar solvents offered a better yield then less polar. The lower results were obtained when tetrachloromethane was employed (Table 1, entries 5, 11).

#### Structural investigations

The indicated model 3-*R*-2-butenyl thioethers 2a-2c are interesting in the study of the regioselectitivity of the process of electrophilic cyclization. On one hand, the polarization of the multiple bond of the alkenyl moiety clearly indicates the formation of the thiazine ring via intermediated carbocation, and on the other hand, the high probability of bromonium or iodonium cation formation makes the possibility of the annelation as the five-membered



fragment, as well as the thiazine moiety. All abovementioned ways are in the full accordance with modern interpretation of Baldwin rules [29]. The literature contains the information about both direction of electrophilic cyclization in the case of another heterocycles [30–32].

Thus, the comparative analysis of the NMR spectra for the starting thioethers **2** and the halocyclization products **3** shows the change in the nature of the signals of methylene protons, which was observed as doublet at 3.7-3.8 ppm for the parent compounds **2**, and their splitting into two multiplets at 4.0–4.1 ppm for halogenation products **3**. The absence of signals of sp<sup>2</sup>-hybritizated carbons of 2-butenyl moiety and the presence of signals of a nodal endocyclic carbon atom in the range of 64.7–67.2 ppm and CH–Hal signal at 40–42 ppm in the  ${}^{13}$ C NMR spectra of salts **3** also indicate the realization of electrophilic cyclization.

Although the above NMR data were not sufficient for unambiguous structure determination of the received cyclization products **3**, the XDR investigation for salt **3a** has reliably confirmed the structure of bromination product (Fig. 1). From Fig. 1b, it can be seen the presence of Cg1–Cg1 and Cg2–Cg2 interactions that are characterized with the lengths of 4.08 Å and 3.87 Å, respectively.

Experimental data of the XRD investigation for the product of bromocyclization **3a** were used to carry out DFT calculations of the energy profile of the proposed electrophilic cyclization pathway. The comparison of chosen experimental and theoretically calculated bond lengths is presented in Table 2. With respect to reference to know experimental



Fig. 1 XRD study of compound 3a: a the structure of the tribromide molecule; b Cg–Cg interactions; c crystal packing

Table 2 Selected bond lengths   of XRD and B3LYP-D3BJ/	Bond	Exp	Calc	Lit	Bond	Exp	Calc	Lit
ma-def2-TZVP geometries of cation <b>3a</b> and similar experimental data (in Å)	N1-C2	1.34(2)	1.297	1.335 (5) [18] 1.333 (8) [24] 1.299 (3) [26] 1.305 (6) [33]	S4–C5	1.87(2)	1.832	1.850 (4) [18] 1.862 (8) [24] 1.790 (4) [26] 1.788 (5) [33]
	C2-N3	1.37(3)	1.368	1.336 (6) [18] 1.372 (9) [24] 1.375 (3) [26] 1.349 (6) [33]	C5–C6	1.42(3)	1.516	1.509 (6) [18]
	N3–C3A	1.40(3)	1.346	1.377 (5) [18] 1.315 (8) [24] 1.366 (3) [26] 1.377 (5) [33]	C6–C7	1.41(3)	1.533	1.506 (6) [18]
	C3A–N8	1.26(3)	1.333	1.284 (6) [18] 1.323 (9) [24] 1.298 (3) [26] 1.290 (6) [33]	C7–N8	1.56(3)	1.480	1.451 (6) [18] 1.470 (8) [24]
	N1–N8	1.40(3)	1.370	1.395 (5) [18] 1.341 (8) [24] 1.398 (3) [26] 1.384 (5) [33]	C7–C8	1.51(3)	1.521	
	C3A–S4	1.71(3)	1.718	1.738 (5) [18] 1.680 (6) [24] 1.745 (3) [26] 1.727 (5) [33]	C6–Br1	1.92(2)	1.973	1.964 (5) [18] 1.877 (7) [24] 1.973 (2) [26]

data, we have also included corresponding bond lengths of similar triazolium-containing heterocyclic systems [18, 24, 26, 33]. Calculated interatomic distances are in good agreement with XRD study and mentioned literature data.

#### **DFT calculations**

To understand the mechanism of the regioselective halogencyclization of considered triazoles 3a-3c, we have performed a computational study using density functional theory (DFT) methods (see computational methods in the Experimental Section). We will discuss data obtained at B3LYP-D3BJ/ ma-def2-TZVP level. In this section, we have considered two model triazoles: 3-(but-2-enyl)thio-4*H*-1,2,4-triazole (**A**) and 3-(3-methylbut-2-enyl)thio-4*H*-1,2,4-triazole (**B**). The substitution of different groups in 4th and 5th positions with hydrogen atoms in the triazole system is valid for reducing the computational resources and must not considerably influence the result, as it was experimentally proven that the regioselectivity of such halogen-cyclization is not controlled by substituents in 4th and 5th positions [28].

Analysis of literature data [11, 12, 18, 27] shows that halogen-mediated hetero-cyclization reactions take place through a two-step mechanism. In a similar way, we have considered processes presented here. At first, the bromine molecule as electrophile attacks on the double bond of the unsaturated fragment to yield molecular complexes A1, A2, B1, and B2. Next, molecular complexes form the trimembered cyclic bromonium cations the bromonium cation immediately attacks the highly nucleophilic N2 nitrogen of the triazole ring in the  $S_N^2$ -substitution manner yielding the 1,3-thiazenine (P-A-1, P-B-1) or 1,3-thiazoline (P-A-2, P-B-2) rings (Scheme 2).

Finally, as the reaction is taken in solution, it is reasonable to consider dissociation of salt-like products to condensed cation and tribromide anion (S-A/B-1/2). In general, we have considered bromination through the two regioisomeric channels. Relative Gibbs free energy differences in the acetic acid solution (SMD approach) are given in Table 3.

The reaction starts with the formation of molecular complexes (A/B-1/2) between bromine and the  $\pi$ -system of the double bond of unsaturated thioether. According to B3LYP calculations, these complexes are for 41.7/46.8 kJ/ mol higher in energy than separated reagents. The activation energies associated with the bonding of Br with the C1 or C2 carbon atoms and the next simultaneous electrophilic attack of the N2 atom, in the case of *S*-but-2-enyl ether is of 12.0 kJ/mol (TS-A-1) and 21.6 kJ/mol (TS-A-2), whereas in the case of *S*-methallyl ether, the activation energies are of only 0.7 kJ/mol (TS-B-1) and 11.9 kJ/mol (TS-B-2).

The formation of the corresponding cyclic cations is exothermic by -154.5, -189.2, -61.6, and -151.1 kJ/mol in



Table 3Relative Gibbs freeenergy (in kJ/mol, relativeto A or B plus two brominemolecules) of the stationarypoints involved in the halogen-cyclization of correspondingtriazoles A or B

Structure	1	2	3	Structure	1	2	3
A1	41.7	65.5	75.2	P-A-1	- 100.8	-133.7	- 115.5
A2	41.6	65.3	74.9	P-A-2	-126.0	-109.1	-93.2
B1	46.8	72.4	84.9	P-B-1	-14.1	-95.5	-71.5
B2	46.7	72.4	84.9	P-B-2	-92.5	- 101.9	-82.3
TS-A-1	53.7	90.4	110.5	S-A-1	-29.8	-96.7	-79.7
TS-A-2	63.2	96.3	119.7	S-A-2	- 86.6	-38.3	-23.9
TS-B-1	47.5	80.6	100.6	S-B-1	-76.7	- 89.2	-69.3
TS-B-2	58.6	84.0	111.2	S-B-2	- 56.1	-67.6	-49.3

Solvation effects of acetic acid were modeled with SMD approach. Used methods are: 1—B3LYP-D3BJ/ ma-def2-TZVP; 2—M06-2X/6-311+G(d,p); 3— $\omega$ B97X-D3/6-311+G(d,p)

the case of P-A-1, P-A-2, P-B-1, and P-B-2, respectively. The considerable difference in the case of P-B-1 structure is due to slightly different orientation of tribromide anion. Thus, in **P-B-1**, the  $Br_3^-$  anion coordinated with hydrogens of two methyl groups, whereas in other cases, the IRC procedure leads to structures, where  $Br_3^-$  coordinated over the thiazolo-triazole plane, similar to XRD data. These different coordinations do not due to some inconsistence in calculation or wrong theoretical method, this only means that different coordinations of  $Br_3^-$  can considerably affect the reaction energy; therefore, in polar solvents, we do have to consider dissociation. Taking into account the above, the Gibbs free energy of dissociation of products with the formation of the cyclic cations and separate tribromide anion is of 71.0, 39.4, -62.6, and 36.4 kJ/mol in the case of S-A-1, S-A-2, S-B-1, and S-B-2, respectively. From these Gibbs free energy calculations, we have to make few important statements: (a) the endothermic bromine attack on the thioether double bond is not regioselective and do not determine the next Br-C bond formation; (b) in both butenyl and isopentenyl thioethers, TS-A/B-1 transition state is preferable for 9.5/11.1 kJ/mol than TS-A/B-2; and (c) the exothermic effect of the cyclization step is higher in the case of six-membered cycle formation (path 1). Consequently, the formation of thiazine ring is kinetically and thermodynamically preferable over the five-membered ring formation.

The geometries of the transition states involved in the bromocyclization of thioethers **A** and **B** are shown in Fig. 2. In the case of cyclization of thioethers to six-membered cycles, the lengths of the C6-Br13/N5-C11 forming bond are 2.18/2.23 and 2.19/2.37 Å in the **TS-A-1** and **TS-B-1**, respectively, whereas in the case of TSs that lead to five-membered cycles, **TS-A-2** and **TS-B-2**, the lengths of the C11-Br13/N5-C6 forming bond are 2.50/2.30 and 2.15/2.29 Å, respectively.

# Conclusion

In conclusion, we have developed an efficient and general way for regio-selective synthesis of partially saturated triazolo[5,1-*b*][1,3]thiazinium salts via an electrophilic heterocyclization strategy using the butenyl thioethers of 4,5-diphenyl-1,2,4-triazol-3-thiol and halogenes. The target condensed products were prepared with high yields under finding reaction conditions: room temperature, stirring, polar solvent, and twice excess of electrophile. The studying of the regiochemistry of this process using computer simulation



Fig. 2 Geometries of the TSs involved in the bromocyclization: TS-A-1 (a), TS-A-2 (b), TS-B-1 (c), and TS-B-2 (d). The bond lengths are given in Å methods, XDR, and spectral investigations have been used for explaining of electrophilic cyclization mechanism and reliably solving of target products structure. In view of facile work-up and the easy availability of the starting butenyl thioethers of 4,5-diphenyl-1,2,4-triazol-3-thiol, as well as the broad potential for application of received partially saturated triazolo[5,1-*b*][1,3]thiazines, these protocols should be of great interest in organic chemistry and related disciplines.

# Experimental

All reagents were obtained from commercial suppliers and used without any further purification. Solution of iodine bromide (1 mmol/cm<sup>3</sup>) was prepared according to standard procedure [34]. The melting points were determined on Stuart SMP30 instrument. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz) spectra were recorded in (CD<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO as a solvent and TMS as an internal standard on Varian VXR 400. Elemental analyses were performed on Elementar Vario MICRO cube analyzer. All crystallographic measurements were performed at room temperature [293(2) K] on single-crystal diffractometer "Oxford Diffraction Xcalibur".

Starting geometries were modeled in the Avogadro [35] and Gabedit [36] programs. At first, we have and pre-optimized starting structures, transition states (TSs) and cyclized products with fast GGA BLYP functional [37, 38] in combination with 6-311 + G(d,p) basis set [39, 40]. Computed Hessians in the cases of TSs contained only one imaginary frequency. Intrinsic reaction coordinate (IRC) calculations [41] clearly testifies the correctness of founded TSs that correspond to proposed reaction path. Then after, obtained structures were re-optimized at the B3LYP/ma-def2-TZVP level of theory [42-44] supported by D3 dispersion correction [45] in Becke–Johnson damping variant [46]. Moreover, with comparison purpose, we have performed single point energy calculations at M06-2X/6-311 + G(d,p) [47] and  $\omega$ B97X-D3/6-311 + G(d,p) [48] levels of theory. For taking into account the solvent effect, we have performed singlepoint computations with using of SMD model [49]. The PRIRODA program was used for BLYP DFT calculations [50]. The ORCA 4 package [51] was used for all calculation conducted with B3LYP method. To reduce the computational time without considerable loss in accuracy, the density fitting technique was used [52-54] with appropriate auxiliary basis set [55]. Visualization of output optimized structures were made using the Jmol program [56].

#### General procedure for the synthesis of compounds 2

4,5-Diphenyl-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazole-3-thione 1 (10.0 mmol) was dissolved in 20 cm<sup>3</sup> ethanol with the addition of potassium hydroxide (12.0 mmol) when heated. The

alkenyl bromides (12.0 mmol) in 5 cm<sup>3</sup> ethanol were added to the cooled solution of triazole **1**. The mixture was boiled for 1 h. After cooling, the precipitated product was filtered, washed with deionized water, and purified by crystallization from ethanol.

**3-[(2***E***)-But-2-en-1-ylsulfanyl]-4,5-diphenyl-4***H***-1,2,4-triazole (<b>2a**,  $C_{18}H_{17}N_3S$ ) Yield 92%; white powder; m.p.: 137–139 °C; FT-IR:  $\bar{\nu}$  = 1610 (C=N), 1530 (C=C, Ph), 1425 (C=C, Ph), 1230 (=C–N <), 1130 (>C–C=), 775 (C-S) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.29–7.60 (10H, m, 2 C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.64–5.70 (1H, m, =CH), 5.43-5.59 (1H, m, =CH), 3.77 (2H, dd, *J* = 28.6, 7.1 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.61 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  = 154.7 (C<sup>5</sup>=N), 151.91 (C<sup>3</sup>=N), 134.3 (C, 4-Ph), 130.4 (2C<sup>m</sup>H, 4-Ph), 130.1 (C<sup>*p*</sup>H, 5-Ph), 129.8 (=CH–CH<sub>3</sub>), 129.2 (2C<sup>m</sup>H, 5-Ph), 129.0 (2C<sup>o</sup>H, 5-Ph), 128.8 (C<sup>*P*</sup>H, 4-Ph), 128.2 (2C<sup>o</sup>H, 4-Ph), 127.09 (CH<sub>2</sub>–*C*H=), 126.2 (C, 5-Ph), 34.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 18.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>) ppm.

**3**-[(**3**-Methylbut-2-en-1-yl)sulfanyl]-4,5-diphenyl-4*H*-1,2,4-triazole (**2b**, C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>3</sub>S) Yield 91%; white powder; m.p.: 136–137 °C; FT-IR:  $\bar{\nu} = 1600$  (C=N), 1530 (C=C, Ph), 1430 (C=C, Ph), 1230 (=C–N <), 1125 (> C– C=), 775 (C-S) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$ =7.34–7.52 (10H, m, 2 C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.28 (1H, *J*=9.2 Hz, CH), 3.77 (2H, d, *J*=9.2 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.64 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.58 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>) ppm.

**3-(But-3-en-1-ylsulfanyl)-4,5-diphenyl-4H-1,2,4-triazole (2c,**   $C_{18}H_{17}N_3S$ ) Yield 93%; white powder; m.p.: 133–135 °C; FT-IR:  $\bar{\nu} = 1600$  (C=N), 1530 (C=C, Ph), 1425 (C=C, Ph), 1235 (=C–N <), 1125 (>C–C=), 770 (C-S) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta = 7.49-7.58$  (3H, m, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 7.27– 7.44 (7H, m, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.79 (1H, dt, *J*=16.9, 10.3, 6.6 Hz, CH), 4.98–5.14 (2H, m, = CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.22 (2H, t, *J*=7.2 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.45 (2H, d, *J*=7.1 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta = 154.8$  (C<sup>5</sup>=N), 152.3 (C<sup>3</sup>=N), 136.6 (C, 4-Ph), 134.4 (C<sup>p</sup>H, 5-Ph), 130.5 (2C<sup>m</sup>H, 4-Ph), 130.4 (2C<sup>m</sup>H, 5-Ph), 130.2, (2C<sup>o</sup>H, 5-Ph), 129.0 (C<sup>p</sup>H, 4-Ph), 128.3 (2C<sup>o</sup>H, 4-Ph), 128.2 (C, 5-Ph), 127.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>–CH=), 117.1 (=CH<sub>2</sub>), 33.5 (SCH<sub>2</sub>), 31.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>CH=) ppm.

#### General procedure for the synthesis of compounds 3

The solution of appropriated halogen (2.0 mmol) in acetic acid was dropwise added to the solution of triazoles 2(1.0 mmol) in acetic acid with constant stirring at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2–6 h; the product was filtered and washed with acetic acid. 6-Bromo-7-methyl-2,3-diphenyl-3,5,6,7-tetrahydro[1,2,4]triazolo[5,1-*b*][1,3]thiazine-8-ium tribromide (3a, C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>17</sub>Br<sub>4</sub>N<sub>3</sub>S) Yield 82%; orange powder; m.p.: 152 °C; FT-IR:  $\bar{v}$  = 1530 (C=C, Ph), 1475 (C=N<sup>+</sup>), 1425 (C=C, Ph), 1375 (C–CH<sub>3</sub>), 1240 (=C–N <), 770 (C–S), 690 (C–Br) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.32–7.84 (10H, m, 2 C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.02–5.34 (2H, m, +NCH, CHBr), 4.08 (1H, dd, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2.7 Hz, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.75–3.93 (1H, m, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 1.76 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  = 152.4 (C<sup>3</sup>=N<sup>+</sup>), 151.3 (C<sup>5</sup>=N), 132.0 (C, 4-Ph), 131.7 (C<sup>p</sup>H, 5-Ph; 2C<sup>m</sup>H, 5-Ph; 2C<sup>m</sup>H, 4-Ph), 130.6 (2C<sup>o</sup>H, 5-Ph), 128.9 (C<sup>p</sup>H, 4-Ph), 127.4 (2C<sup>o</sup>H, 4-Ph), 122.6 (C, 5-Ph), 62.2 (CHN<sup>+</sup>), 44.4 (CHBr), 31.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 19.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>) ppm; UV (C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OH):  $\lambda_{max}$  = 262 nm.

CCDC 1,878,957. X-ray study was carried out using «Xcalibur-3» automated diffractometer (Oxford Diffraction Ltd.) (MoK $\alpha$ -radiation, graphite monochromator, «Sapphire-3» CCD detector. The structure was solved with SHELX-2014/7 program package [57] and refined using full-matrix least squares in the anisotropic approximation. Hydrogen atoms were added geometrically and refined using the «riding model». The WinGX program [58] was used for the analysis of the structure and preparation of illustration.

6-lodo-7-methyl-2,3-diphenyl-3,5,6,7-tetrahydro[1,2,4]triazolo[5,1-*b*][1,3]thiazine-8-ium bromide (**3b**, C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>17</sub>BrlN<sub>3</sub>S) Yield 94%; yellowish powder; m.p.: 147 °C; FT-IR:  $\bar{v}$  = 1530 (C=C, Ph), 1480 (C=N<sup>+</sup>), 1430 (C=C, Ph), 1375 (C-CH<sub>3</sub>), 1255 (=C-N<), 775 (C-S), 580 (C-I) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.38–7.80 (10H, m, 2 C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 4.98–5.11 (2H, m, + NCH, CHI), 3.97 (1H, d, *J* = 13.5 Hz, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.84 (1H, d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 1.80 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  = 152.6 (C<sup>3</sup>=N<sup>+</sup>), 151.9 (C<sup>5</sup>=N), 132.6 (C, 4-Ph), 131.3 (C<sup>*p*</sup>H, 5-Ph; 2C<sup>*m*</sup>H, 5-Ph; 2C<sup>*m*</sup>H, 4-Ph), 129.6 (2C<sup>*o*</sup>H, 5-Ph), 129.3 (C<sup>*p*</sup>H, 4-Ph), 127.8 (2C<sup>*o*</sup>H, 4-Ph), 123.0 (C, 5-Ph), 63.8 (CHN<sup>+</sup>), 34.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 20.8 (CHI), 20.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>) ppm; UV (C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OH):  $\lambda_{max}$  = 264 nm.

6-Bromo-7,7-dimethyl-2,3-diphenyl-3,5,6,7-tetrahydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[5,1-*b*][1,3]thiazine-8-ium tribromide (3c, C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>19</sub>Br<sub>4</sub>N<sub>3</sub>S) Yield 84%; orange powder; m.p.: 158–159 °C; FT-IR:  $\bar{\nu}$ =1530 (C=C, Ph), 1480 (C=N<sup>+</sup>), 1430 (C=C, Ph), 1385 [C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>], 1240 (=C-N <), 770 (C-S), 700 (C-Br) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ=7.35–7.81 (10H, m, 2 C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.09–5.23 (1H, m, CHI), 3.86-4.23 (2H, m, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 1.92 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.86 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>) ppm; UV (C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OH):  $\lambda_{max}$ =264 nm.

6-lodo-7,7-dimethyl-2,3-diphenyl-3,5,6,7-tetrahydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[5,1-*b*][1,3]thiazine-8-ium triiodide (**3d**, **C**<sub>19</sub>**H**<sub>19</sub>**I**<sub>4</sub>**N**<sub>3</sub>**S**) Yield 86%; brown powder; m.p.: 152–153 °C; FT-IR:  $\bar{v} = 1530$  (C=C, Ph), 1480 (C=N<sup>+</sup>), 1430 (C=C, Ph), 1385 [C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>], 1255 (=C–N<), 775 (C–S), 590 (C–I) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.42–7.63 (10H, m, 2 C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.10–5.18 (1H, m, CHI), 4.10 (1H, d, *J* = 3.4 Hz, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.88-4.07 (1H, m, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 1.92 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.89 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  = 152.4 (C<sup>3</sup>=N<sup>+</sup>), 151.8 (C<sup>5</sup>=N), 132.6 (C, 4-Ph), 132.5 (C<sup>p</sup>H, 5-Ph), 131.3 (2C<sup>m</sup>H, 5-Ph), 131.1 (2C<sup>m</sup>H, 4-Ph), 129.6 (2C<sup>o</sup>H, 5-Ph), 129.3 (C<sup>p</sup>H, 4-Ph), 127.8 (2C<sup>o</sup>H, 4-Ph), 123.1 (C, 5-Ph), 65.2 (CHN<sup>+</sup>), 33.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 28.7 (CHI), 28.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 27.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>) ppm; UV (C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OH):  $\lambda_{max}$  = 252 nm.

6-lodo-7,7-dimethyl-2,3-diphenyl-3,5,6,7-tetrahydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[5,1-*b*][1,3]thiazine-8-ium bromide (3e, C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>19</sub>BrlN<sub>3</sub>S) Yield 84%; yellowish powder; m.p.: 158– 159 °C; FT-IR:  $\bar{\nu}$ =1530 (C=C, Ph), 1480 (C=N<sup>+</sup>), 1430 (C=C, Ph), 1375 [C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>], 1255 (=C–N<), 775 (C–S), 590 (C–I) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$ =7.35–7.81 (10H, m, 2 C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.09–5.23 (1H, m, CHI), 3.86-4.23 (2H, m, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 1.92 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.86 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$ =151.8 (C<sup>3</sup>=N<sup>+</sup>), 151.4 (C<sup>5</sup>=N), 131.9 (C, 4-Ph), 131.0 (C<sup>*p*</sup>H, 5-Ph), 130.6 (2C<sup>*m*</sup>H, 5-Ph), 130.1 (2C<sup>*m*</sup>H, 4-Ph), 128.9 (2C<sup>*o*</sup>H, 5-Ph), 128.6 (C<sup>*p*</sup>H, 4-Ph), 127.5 (2C<sup>*o*</sup>H, 4-Ph), 122.7 (C, 5-Ph), 64.7 (CHN<sup>+</sup>), 33.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 28.2 (CHI), 27.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 27.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>) ppm; UV (C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OH):  $\lambda_{max}$ =252 nm.

**7-(Bromomethyl)-2,3-diphenyl-3,5,6,7-tetrahydro**[1,2,4]triazolo[5,1-*b*][1,3]thiazine-8-ium tribromide (**3f**, C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>17</sub>Br<sub>4</sub>N<sub>3</sub>S) Yield 88%; orange powder; m.p.: 167– 168 °C; FT-IR:  $\bar{\nu}$ =1530 (C=C, Ph), 1475 (C=N<sup>+</sup>), 1430 (C=C, Ph), 1240 (=C–N<), 770 (C–S), 735 (C–Br) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$ =7.24–7.57 (10H, m, 2 C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 4.99–5.07 (2H, m, + NCH, CH<sub>2</sub>Br), 4.19–4.27 (1H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>Br), 3.86–3.96 (1H, m, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.59 (1H, m, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.20 (1H, t, *J*=7.2 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.72 (1H, d, *J*=7.0 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>) ppm; UV (C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OH):  $\lambda_{max}$ =263 nm.

7-(lodomethyl)-2,3-diphenyl-3,5,6,7-tetrahydro[1,2,4]triazolo[5,1-*b*][1,3]thiazine-8-ium triiodide (**3g**, C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>17</sub>I<sub>4</sub>N<sub>3</sub>S) Yield 84%; brown powder; m.p.: 173–175 °C; FT-IR:  $\bar{v}$ =1530 (C=C, Ph), 1475 (C=N<sup>+</sup>), 1455 (C=C, Ph), 1250 (=C–N <), 775 (C–S), 610 (C-I) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$ =7.31–7.71 (10H, m, 2 C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 4.97–5.16 (1H, m, +NCH, CH<sub>2</sub>I), 3.55 (1H, dd, *J*=6.5, 4.7 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>I), 3.23 (2H, dd, *J*=13.5, 5.7 Hz, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.38– 2.52 (2H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$ =154.8 (C<sup>3</sup>=N<sup>+</sup>), 153.2 (C<sup>5</sup>=N), 132.6 (C, 4-Ph), 131.1 (C<sup>p</sup>H, 5-Ph), 128.2 (C<sup>p</sup>H, 4-Ph), 127.9 (2C<sup>o</sup>H, 4-Ph), 128.4 (2C<sup>o</sup>H, 5-Ph), 59.1 (CHN<sup>+</sup>), 33.5 (CHCH<sub>2</sub>), 31.7 (SCH<sub>2</sub>), 26.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>I) ppm; UV (C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OH):  $\lambda_{max}$ =260 nm. 7-(lodomethyl)-2,3-diphenyl-3,5,6,7-tetrahydro[1,2,4]triazolo[5,1-*b*][1,3]thiazine-8-ium bromide (3h,  $C_{18}H_{17}BrIN_3S$ ) Yield 82%; yellowish powder; m.p.: 167– 169 °C; FT-IR:  $\bar{\nu}$ =1530 (C=C, Ph), 1475 (C=N<sup>+</sup>), 1450 (C=C, Ph), 1255 (=C–N<), 775 (C–S), 610 (C–I) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$ =7.28–7.78 (10H, m, 2 C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 5.04 (2H, d, *J*=22.0 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>I), 4.12–4.30 (1H, m, CH), 3.83–4.01 (1H, m, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.61 (1H, s, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.09– 3.23 (1H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.70 (1H, s, CH<sub>2</sub>) ppm; UV (C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OH):  $\lambda_{max}$ =260 nm.

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