

# Efficient biological activity of acridine synthesised by using efficient nano catalyst

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## Abstract

A simple and efficient protocol for 9-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3,3,6,6-tetramethyl-3,4,6,7,9,10-hexahydroacridine-1,8(2H,5H)-dione (MPTH) was synthesised by conventional method by using efficient nano catalyst. The crystallite sizes (L) and surface area (S) of TiO<sub>2</sub> are 10.44 nm and 140.32 m<sup>2</sup>/g. MPTH displayed wide inhibitions on the KB cell appearance with IC<sub>50</sub> values 25.06 µg. The IC<sub>50</sub> values of the MPTH imply that methoxy substituted compound holds more inhibitory effect against the cancer cells.

**Keywords:** MPTH, TiO<sub>2</sub>, NMR, XRD, SEM, Anticancer.

## Introduction

Multicomponent reactants react in a solo event successively to form a novel product. MCRs get together the requirements of an environmentally responsive process, with fewer synthetic steps, less energy consumption and less waste production<sup>10,15</sup>. Acridine-1,8-diones are cytotoxic<sup>1</sup> and block potassium channels<sup>6</sup>. Acridinediones are synthesized in aqueous media<sup>11-13</sup>. Many methods have drawbacks such as use of dangerous organic solvents, extensive reaction times, low yields, development of elevation products and multistep synthesis. TiO<sub>2</sub> efficiently catalyzed synthesis of 9-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3,3,6,6-tetramethyl-3,4,6,7,9,10-hexahydroacridine-1,8(2H,5H)-dione at 70 °C. Nanocrystalline rutile phase of TiO<sub>2</sub> was synthesised by the sol-gel method and analysed by X-ray diffraction and high resolution scanning electron microscopy.

## Material and Methods

**Materials and measurements:** Dimedone, methoxybenzaldehyde and ammonium acetate were provided by Sigma-aldrich (St. Louis, USA). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (400 MHz) spectra were recorded on Bruker spectrometer using DMSO solvent. XRD patterns were recorded using X-ray Rigaku diffractometer with Cu

K<sub>α</sub> source (30 kV, 100 mA), at a scan speed of 3.0000 deg/min, step width of 0.1000 deg, in a 2θ range of 20-80°.

**Synthesis of 9-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3,3,6,6-tetramethyl-3,4,6,7,9,10-hexahydroacridine-1,8(2H,5H)-dione:** 5,5-dimethylcyclohexane-1,3-dione (0.002 mm) reacts with ammonium acetate (0.001 mm) and methoxybenzaldehyde (0.1 mL) in ethanol medium with pinch of efficient nano catalyst at a suitable time (Table 1). The growth of the result was monitored on TLC (Scheme 1). The reaction was quenched in cold water. Product was filtered and then dried.

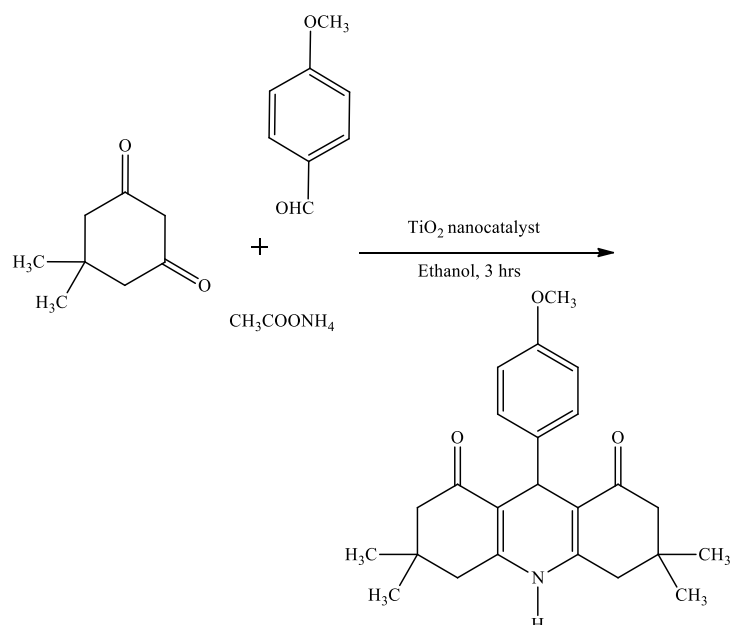
**9-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3,3,6,6-tetramethyl-3,4,6,7,9,10-hexahydroacridine-1,8(2H,5H)-dione:** Anal. calcd. for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>29</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>: C, 75.96; H, 7.70; N, 3.69. Found: C, 75.94; H, 7.69; N, 3.68. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (400 MHz, DMSO): δ 0.86 (s, 6H), 1.00 (s, 6H), 1.97 (d, J= 10.0 Hz, 2H), 2.16 (d, J= 12.2 Hz, 2H), 2.28-2.52 (m, 2H), 2.51 (d, J= 10.2 Hz, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 4.74 (s, 1H), 6.69 (d, J= 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.03 (d, J= 8.9 Hz, 2H), 9.27 (s, 1H) (Figure 1a); 5.20, 26.92, 29.57, 32.30, 32.59, 50.72, 63.17, 112.17, 113.84, 128.96, 139.82, 149.57, 156.84, 194.96 (Figure 1b). MS: m/z. 379.49 [M+].

**Sol- gel synthesised TiO<sub>2</sub>:** The TiO<sub>2</sub> nanocrystal was arranged by sol-gel hydrolysis of titanium (IV) isopropoxide followed by calcination. About 1ml of titanium isopropoxide (C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>28</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Ti) was soluble in 20ml isopropyl alcohol and the solution was dropped into 10ml of distilled water, pH 2-6 was adjusted by 1M HNO<sub>3</sub> for acidic condition and 1M NaOH for basic condition. The former colorless sol-gel of hydrous oxide was stirred strongly for 2 hrs and then kept overnight. The resultant substance was dried and calcinated at 600 °C for 2 hrs.

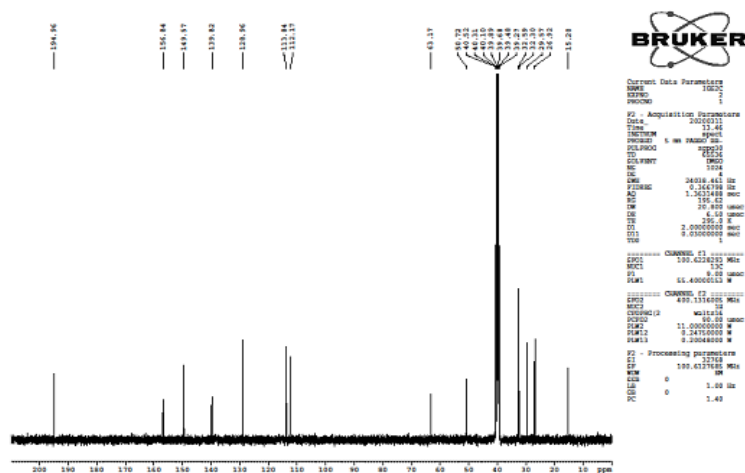
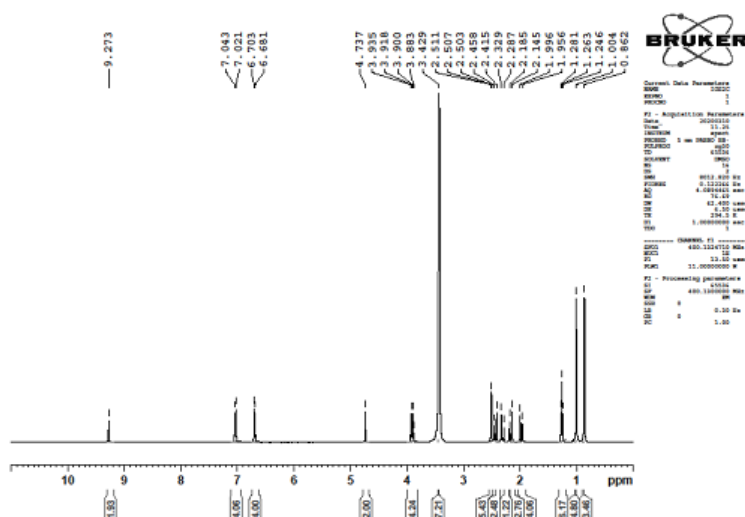
**MTT assay:** The cytotoxic movement of the compound was resolved utilizing MTT measure. 1x10<sup>4</sup> cells for every cell were seen in 100 mL DMEM (Dulbecco's Modified Eagle Medium), add 10% FBS (Fetal Bovine Serum) in every well of 96-well micro culture plates and brood at 37°C for 24 h in a CO<sub>2</sub> hatchery.

Table 1  
Melting point, yield and time of reaction

Compound	MP (°C)	Yield (%)	Time (hrs)	Catalyst
MPTH	302	75	7	-
MPTH	303	94	3	TiO <sub>2</sub>



**Scheme 1: Synthetic route of 9-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3,3,6,6-tetramethyl-3,4,6,7,9,10-hexahydroacridine-1,8(2H,5H)-dione**



Subsequent to 48 h of hatching, 10 mL MTT (3-(4,5-dimethylthiazol-2-yl)-2,5-diphenyl tetrazoliumbromide ( $5 \text{ mg mL}^{-1}$ ) was supplemented to every cell and the plates were additionally brooded for 4 h. At that point, the supernatant from every well was painstakingly evacuated, formazan gems were broken down in 100 mL DMSO and the absorbance was recorded at 570 nm wavelength.

## Results and Discussion

**XRD and SEM:** XRD pattern of  $\text{TiO}_2$  nanoparticle obtained by sol-gel method (Figure 2). The diffraction patterns of  $\text{TiO}_2$  match with JCPDS pattern, body centered tetragonal with crystal constants  $a = b = 3.7774 \text{ \AA}$  and  $c = 9.501 \text{ \AA}$ . The crystallite size (L) of  $\text{TiO}_2$  is 10.44 nm. The specific surface area of the nanocrystal has been deduced by employing the association  $S = 6/\rho D$ , where S is specific surface area and  $\rho$  is material density. The designed surface area for  $\text{TiO}_2$  is  $140.32 \text{ m}^2/\text{g}$ . The SEM of  $\text{TiO}_2$  nanocrystal was displayed in figure 3. The measured crystallite size agrees with that obtained by XRD.

**Cytotoxicity:** The manufactured compound was subjected to the *in vitro* anticancer consequence of spirooxindole in KB cancer cell line. Spirooxindole action considerably

reduced the percentage of cell feasibility in KB cancer cells. This recommended that spirooxindole management has tendency to restrain the enlargement of cancer cells through incubation. The reaction of cytotoxicity of compound MPHT with their applications is given in figure 4a and 4b.

These outcomes executed MTT test in KB cancer cells treated with similar concentrations of compounds for upto 24h. The results of the compound MPHT display wide inhibitions on the KB cell appearance with  $\text{IC}_{50}$  values of  $25.06 \mu\text{g}$ . The  $\text{IC}_{50}$  values of the MPHT imply that methoxy substituted compound holds more inhibitory effect against the cancer cells.

## Conclusion

A novel 9-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3,3,6,6-tetramethyl-3,4,6,7,9,10-hexahydroacridine-1,8(2H,5H)-dione (MPHT) was synthesized by conventional method by using efficient nanocatalyst characterised by XRD and SEM. The compound was analyzed by NMR, mass spectral and biological activity like anticancer. MPHT analyzed anticancer activity by human blood cell (HRBC) membrane stabilization method.

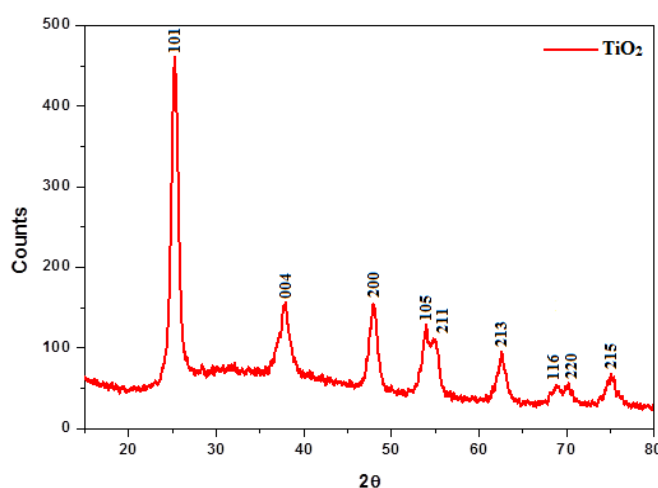


Figure 2: Powder XRD pattern of  $\text{TiO}_2$  nanoparticles

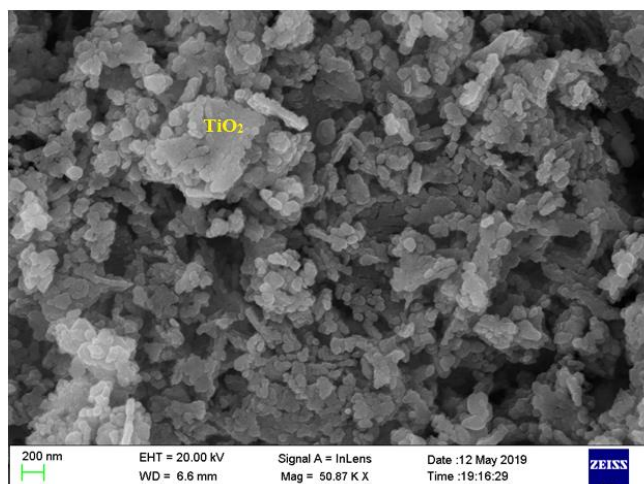


Figure 3: SEM image of  $\text{TiO}_2$  nanoparticles

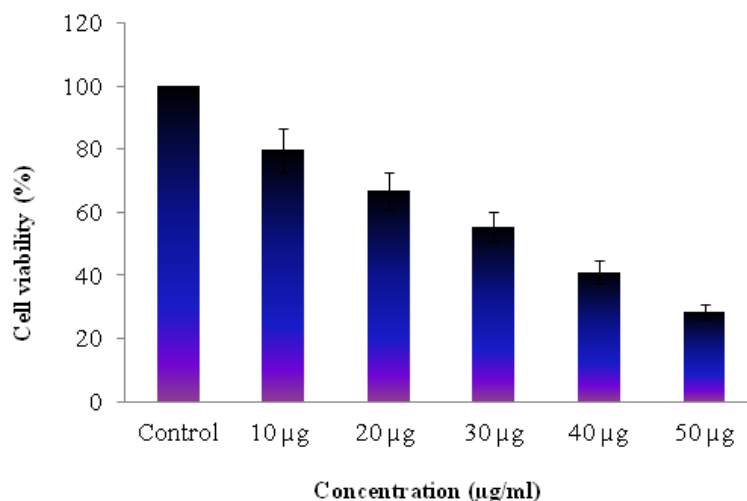


Figure 4a: Cell viability of compound MPTH

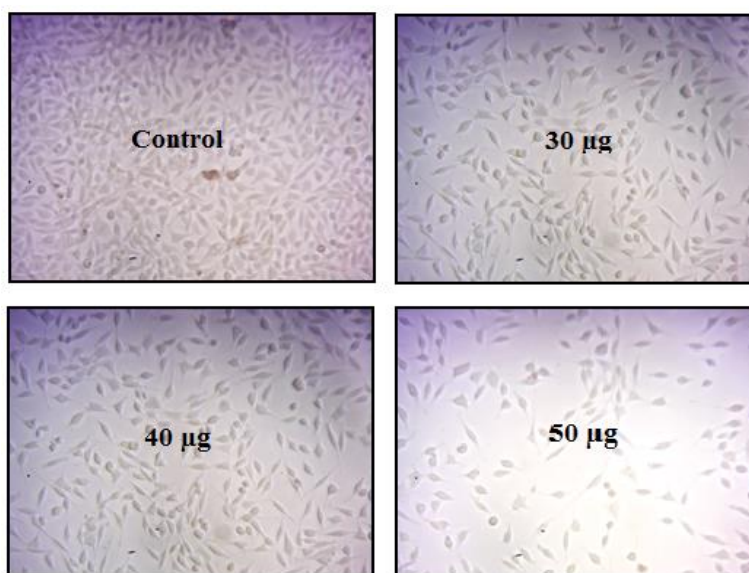


Figure 4b: Cytotoxicity images of compound MPTH at different concentrations

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