



Synthesis and evaluation of antibacterial and antibiofilm activities of pyridin-2-yl hexanoate



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ABSTRACT

Synthesized Pyridin-2-yl hexanoate was screened for its antibacterial and antibiofilm activities using the broth microdilution method and XTT assay respectively. The obtained results revealed that synthesized molecule inhibited the growth of pathogenic bacteria (MICs value ranged from 80 to 640 $\mu\text{g ml}^{-1}$). Moreover, it induced a strong antibiofilm effect against Gram positive cocci (BIC₅₀ was 366, 378 and 412 $\mu\text{g ml}^{-1}$ for *Streptococcus mutans* ATCC 25175, *Streptococcus salivarius* ATCC 13419 and *Streptococcus oralis* ATCC 6249 respectively). Basis on these results, pyridin-2-yl hexanoate may be considered as effective compound with antibacterial and antibiofilm activities.

1. Introduction

The nitrogen heterocyclic skeleton is the main source of many important pharmaceuticals and physiologically active products. The heterocyclic compounds continue to be attractive for synthesis since they exhibit biological properties [1–3]. Pyridin-2(1H)-ones are compounds with antibacterial, antifungal, antiviral, anti-malarial, anti-inflammatory, and anti-tumoral activities [4–6]. Moreover, pyridin-2(1H)-ones have been used as an intermediate in a pyridine, quinolizidine, and indolizidine alkaloids synthesis process [7]. Heterocycles containing an acyl group are of importance for making new pharmacological compounds [8,9].

It has been reported that bacteria embedded in biofilm are more resistant to conventional drugs [10]. Antibiofilm property of synthetic compound has been studied elsewhere [11–13]. Ishida et al. [14], noticed that N-acylcyclopentylamides inhibit the quorum sensing and biofilm formation of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*. Additionally, 3,4,5,3',5'-pentabromo-2-(2'-hydroxybenzoyl) pyrrole, a synthetic anti-bacterial compound related to pyrrolomycins, was active at low concentrations against preformed *Staphylococcus epidermidis* and *Staphylococcus aureus* biofilms [13]. More recently, Mohammad et al. [15], reported that thiazole derivative may reduce *S. epidermidis* biofilm. In the same field, Dragovich et al. [16], demonstrated the antiviral activity of bicyclic 2-pyridone-containing compound (82) on human rhinovirus serotypes

(EC₅₀: from 0.037 to 0.162 mM).

The present investigation deals in developing an effective approach to synthesize pyridin-2-yl hexanoate compound. Then the synthesized compound was evaluated for its antibacterial and antibiofilm activities.

2. Material and methods

2.1. Pyridin-2-yl hexanoate synthesis

A 500 mg, (5.5 mmol) of 2-hydroxypyridine was dissolved in 3 mL dimethylformamide (DMF), then hexanoylchloride (5.5 mmol) was added and the resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature overnight. Twenty ml of water was added, then the mixture was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (50 mL \times 3), and the organic layer was washed with water (50 mL), dried over Na_2SO_4 and concentrated in vacuum to afford the products (99%).

IR spectra were recorded with a Nicolet iS 10 ThermoScientific as potassium bromide pellets and frequencies were reported in cm^{-1} . ¹H NMR spectra were determined with a JEOL spectrometer at 600 MHz. The chemical shifts are expressed in the δ scale using tetramethylsilane as a reference. TLC were performed on Merck Kiesel gel; 60-F254 plates, and the spots were detected by UV light absorption.

IR $\nu = 1713 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ (C=O), 1652 cm^{-1} (C=N), 1619 cm^{-1} (C=C), ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO) $\delta = 7.43\text{--}7.39$ (m, 1H), $7.38\text{--}7.32$ (m, 1H),

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Table 1
Antibacterial activity of pyridin-2-yl hexanoate against oral bacteria.

Strains	Antimicrobial susceptibility					
	^a TET ($\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{mL}^{-1}$)		^b CHX ($\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{mL}^{-1}$)		pyridin-2-yl hexanoate ($\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{mL}^{-1}$)	
	^c MIC	^d MBC	MIC	MBC	MIC	MBC
<i>Streptococcus mutans</i> ATCC 25175	2	4	4	8	80	160
<i>Streptococcus oralis</i> ATCC 6249	4	8	8	16	80	320
<i>Streptococcus salivarius</i> ATCC 13419	8	8	16	16	80	160
<i>Lactobacillus plantarum</i> ATCC 8014	32	32	8	8	640	1280
<i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> ATCC 29212	64	64	256	256	320	640
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> ATCC 25923	8	32	32	64	320	320
<i>Micrococcus luteus</i> ATCC 10240	16	32	16	16	160	160
<i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 25922	64	128	32	64	640	640

^a Tetracycline.

^b Chlorhexidine digluconate.

^c Minimum inhibitory concentration.

^d Minimum bactericidal concentration.

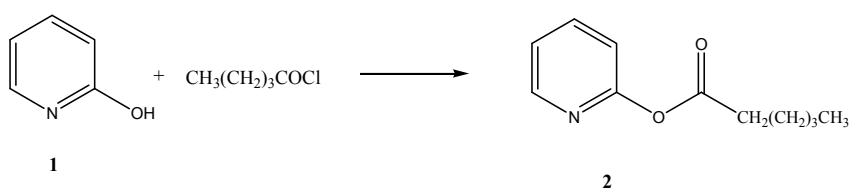


Fig. 1. Synthesis of pyridin-2-yl hexanoate.

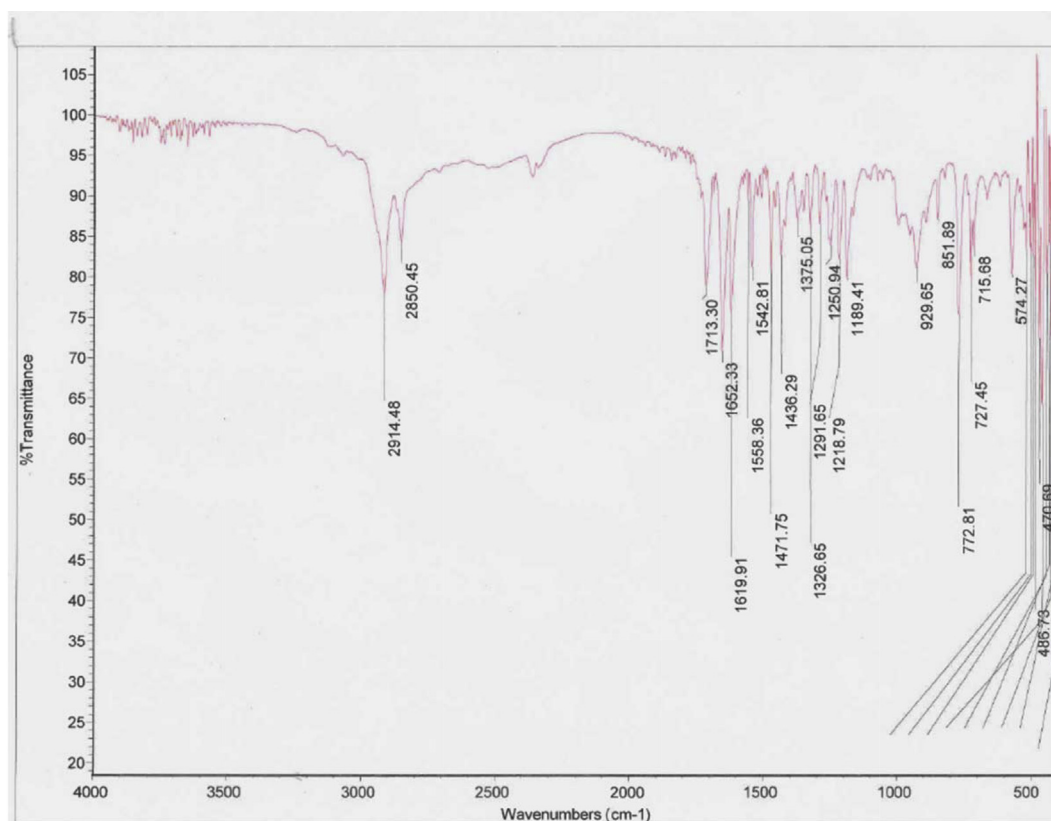


Fig. 2. IR spectra of synthesis Pyridin-2-yl hexanoate.

6.34 (d, $J = 9.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.18–6.15 (m, 1H), 2.4 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 1.68–1.52 (m, 2H), 1.32–1.15 (m, 24H), 0.89 (m, 3H).

2.2. In vitro antibacterial activity

In this study, 8 reference strains (Table 1) were used to evaluate

pyridin-2-yl hexanoate antimicrobial activity using the broth micro-dilution method. Serial two-fold dilutions of tetracycline (0 – $512 \mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$), chlorhexidine digluconate (Sigma-Aldrich, Switzerland) (0 – $512 \mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$) and pyridin-2-yl hexanoate (0 – $1280 \mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$), were prepared in Muller Hinton (MH) Broth.

The inocula ($10 \mu\text{L}$) of each strain (10^5 cfu mL^{-1}) was added to the

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