

Azoles: Introduction, Current and Future Scope

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Introduction

Azoles are five-membered nitrogen containing heterocycles and some of them are widely distributed in nature. Owing to diverse biological properties they have gained much more attention in different fields of science. Most of the drugs are either originally natural products or their biomimetic compounds and a large number bearing different kinds of azoles. Viewing the immense significance, we pursued the research study on some important Azole derivatives, particularly, Pyrazole I, Imidazole II, Triazole III, Isoxazole IV, Oxadiazole V and thiazole VI compounds [1-10]. (Figure 1).

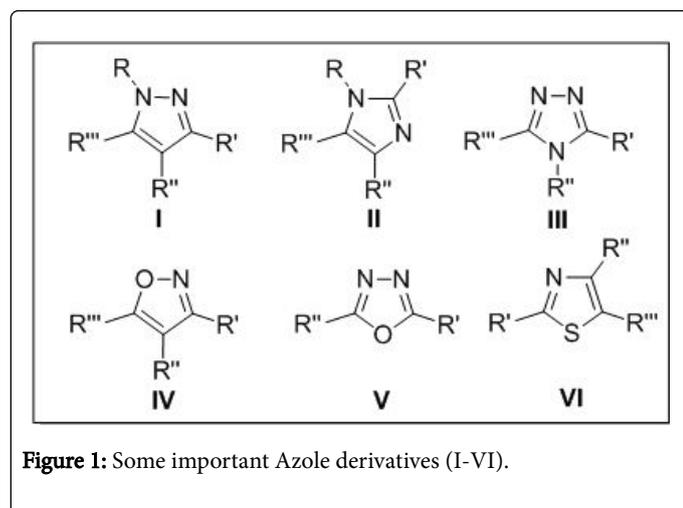


Figure 1: Some important Azole derivatives (I-VI).

Globally, though a large number of compounds belonging to azole family have been designed and synthesized, we have also contributed significantly to add some new highlights in this field. Our main focus centers on the establishment of the structures of a wide variety of novel azoles on the basis of their NMR (¹H, ¹³C and ¹⁹F) spectral characteristics besides to explore their biological potential. Research interests focusing on the structural reinvestigations, greener approaches, synthetic, and mechanistic aspects of azoles of medicinal interests also remain the parts of the core areas of research. In recent past, our group has synthesized some novel anti-cancer, DNA photocleaving agents, anti-inflammatory and antimicrobial azole derivatives. In future, the design and synthesis of the hybrids of these heterocycles may generate a lot of opportunities in the field of medicinal chemistry [11-22].

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