

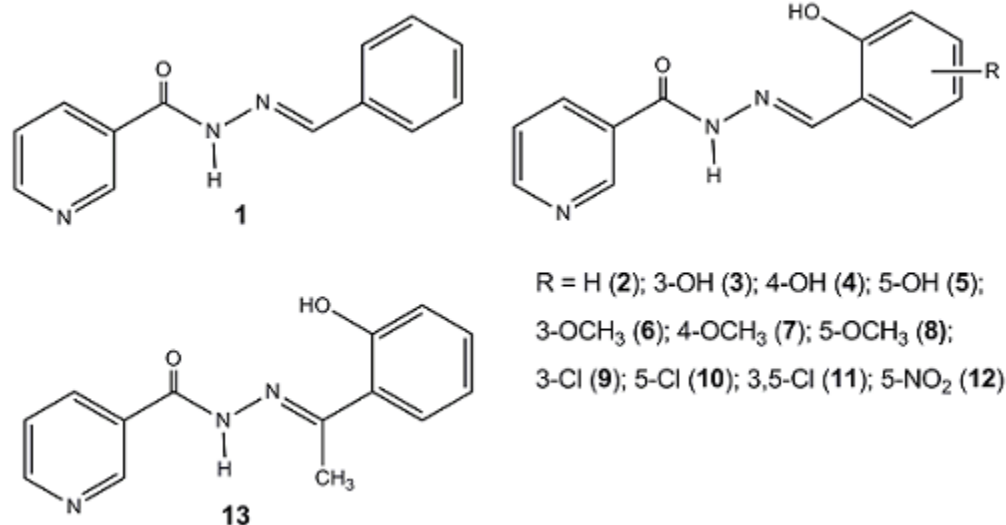
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Abstract

Aroylhydrazones have attracted considerable attention for their wide range of biological activities, such as antibacterial, anti-fungal, antitumor and anti-inflammatory properties.^{1,2,3} Additionally, hydrazones as chelating agents were investigated as potential drugs for treatment of iron-overload associated diseases.⁴ In the present work, a group of 13 derivatives was studied for antibacterial activity, as a part of our investigations on aroylhydrazones.



The *Staphylococcus aureus* ATCC 6538 and *E. coli* ATCC 10536 was used as a model strains. Modified serial and twofold microdilution method according to the EUCAST 5.1 recommendations was used to determine OD₅₄₀ after incubation. MIC (as IC₉₀) and IC₅₀ was calculated as %viability/log_{conc} ratio by non-linear regression and Gompertz equation using GraphPad Prism 7.0. The tests were performed in triplicated and MIC (IC₉₀) and IC₅₀ presented as mean. Compounds **11** and **12** showed antibacterial activity against *S. aureus* and *E. coli* strains with MICs between 33.02 and 104.9 µg/mL while **6** and **8** showed activity only against *S. aureus* with MICs range from 129.7 to 270.3 µg/mL. Compounds **2** and **10** were active only against *E. coli* with MIC values 55.58 and 50.47 µg/mL, respectively. IC₅₀ values reveals that compounds **6**, **8** and **11** exhibited strong bactericidal activity against *S. aureus* strain represented as IC₅₀.

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