

Design and synthesis of novel thiophenecarbohydrazide, thienopyrazole and thienopyrimidine derivatives as antioxidant and antitumor agents

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2-Amino-5-acetyl-4-methyl-thiophene-3-carboxylic acid ethyl ester (**1**) and 5-acetyl-2-amino-4-methylthiophene-3-carbohydrazide (**2**) were synthesized and used as starting materials for the synthesis of new series of 1-(5-amino-4-(3,5-dimethyl-1*H*-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-3-methylthiophen-2-yl) ethanone (**3a**), 1-(5-amino-4-(4-chloro-3,5-dimethyl-1*H*-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-3-methylthiophen-2-yl) ethanone (**3b**), 1-(4-methyl-2-amino-5-acetylthiophene-3-carbonyl)pyrazolidine-3,5-dione (**4**), (*Z*)-*N'*-(4-methyl-2-amino-5-acetylthiophene-3-carbonyl) formohydrazonic acid (**5a**), (*Z*)-ethyl-*N'*-4-methyl-2-amino-5-acetylthiophene-3-carbonylformo hydrazonate (**5b**), 6-acetyl-3-amino-2,5-dimethylthieno[2,3-*d*]pyrimidin-4(3*H*)-one (**8**), 5-methyl-3-amino-2-mercapto-6-acetylthieno[2,3-*d*]pyrimidin-4(3*H*)-one (**10**) and 5-methyl-6-acetyl-2-thioxo-2,3-dihydrothieno[2,3-*d*]pyrimidin-4(1*H*)-one (**12**) as potential antioxidant and antitumor agents. Pharmacological tests showed that compounds **6a**, **6b**, **8**, **10** and **12** exhibited significant antitumor and antioxidant activity.

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The ultimate position of substituted 2-aminothiophenes in the field of drug design and synthesis of pharmaceuticals comes from their advantageous properties. The thiophene ring is bioisosteric replacement for the phenyl group broadly present in active drugs; the thiophene core exists in many natural and synthetic pharmaceuticals (1, 2). In the present work, ethyl-2-aminothiophene-3-carboxylic was expressed as a synthone for many new condensed heterocyclic systems *viz.* thieno[2,3-*d*]pyrimidine, thienylthiourea, thienylacetamide, thienylcarbohydrazide. Fused and polyfunctional substituted thiophene play an important role, especially when linked to a pyrimidine ring; thienopyri-

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midine derivatives possess pharmacological properties as A₁ adenosine receptor agonists (3, 4), phosphodiesterase inhibitors and many receptor antagonists (5, 6). Various thieno [2,3-*d*] pyrimidine derivatives show pronounced antitumor (7) and radioprotective activities (8), acts as immunomodulators (9) and were used for prophylaxis and therapy of cerebral ischemia (10), malaria (11), tuberculosis (12), Alzheimer's disease (13), Parkinson's disease (14), and other diseases (15, 16). Design and synthesis of the novel thiophenecarbohydrazide, thienopyrazole and thienopyrimidine derivatives as antioxidant and antitumor agents were explored.

EXPERIMENTAL

All melting points were taken on an Electrothermal IA 9100 series digital melting point apparatus (Shimadzu, Japan). Elemental analyses were performed at Vario EL (Elementar, Germany). Microanalytical data were processed in the microanalytical center, Faculty of Science, Cairo University. The IR spectra (KBr disk) were recorded using a Perkin-Elmer 1650 spectrometer (USA). ¹H NMR spectra were determined using Jeol 270 MHz and Jeol JMS-AX 500 MHz (Jeol, Japan) with internal standard MeSi₄. Mass spectra were recorded on an EI Ms-QP 1000 EX (Shimadzu) at 70 eV. Pharmacological evaluations were done in pharmacological unit, Department of Pharmacognosy, Faculty of Pharmacy, Mansoura University, Egypt.

DNA (calf thymus type 1), bleomycin sulfate, butylated hydroxyanisole (BHA), thiobarbituric acid (TBA), ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid (EDTA) and ascorbic acid were obtained from Sigma (USA). 2,2'-Azo-bis-(2-amidinopropane) dihydrochloride (AAPH), 2,2'-azino-bis-3-ethylbenzthiazoline-6-sulfonic acid (ABTS) were purchased from Wako Co. (USA).

Syntheses

Ethyl-4-methyl-2-amino-5-acetylthiophene-3-carboxylate (1). – A mixture of acetylacetone (0.01 mol), ethyl cyanoacetate (0.01 mol), sulfur (0.01 mol) and diethylamine (0.01 mol) was heated at 70 °C under stirring in absolute ethanol (20 mL) for 4 h, then the mixture was left for 24 h at 0 °C. The solid formed was collected by filtration, washed with ethanol (20 mL), dried and crystallized from absolute ethanol.

5-Acetyl-2-amino-4-methylthiophene-3-carbohydrazide (2). – A suspension of dry compound **1** (0.01 mol) and hydrazine hydrate (5 mL) and (30 mL) absolute ethanol was stirred under gentle reflux. The solid dissolved within 10 min with copious evolution of hydrogen sulfide to form a clear solution. After 30 min, the solid product started separating out; heating was continued for 8 h. The reaction mixture was then allowed to cool to room temperature. The solid was filtered off, washed with ethanol, dried and crystallized from dioxane.

1-(5-Amino-4-(3,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-3-methylthiophen-2-yl) ethanone (3a) and 1-(5-amino-4-(4-chloro-3,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrazole-1-carbonyl)-3-methylthiophen-2-yl) ethanone (3b). – A mixture of compound **2** (0.01 mol) and 2,4-diketone, namely, pentan-2,4-dione

or 3-chloropentan-2,4-dione (0.01 mol) in absolute ethanol (30 mL), was stirred under reflux for 12 h. The reaction mixture was allowed to cool to 0 °C for 24 h, the solid precipitate was filtered off, dried and crystallized from ethanol to produce **3a** or **3b** in high yields.

1-(4-Methyl-2-amino-5-acetylthiophene-3-carbonyl)pyrazolidine-3,5-dione (4). – A solution of compound **2** (0.01 mol) and freshly distilled diethylmalonate (0.01 mol) in sodium ethoxide was heated under reflux with stirring for 5 h. The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure and the crude product was acidified with 10 % hydrochloric acid. The solid formed was filtered off, washed with cold water, and crystallized from ethanol.

(Z)-N'-(4-methyl-2-amino-5-acetylthiophene-3-carbonyl) formohydrazonic acid (5a). – A mixture of compound **2** (0.01 mol) and formic acid (10 mL) was heated under reflux for 6 h. The reaction mixture was allowed to cool to room temperature and poured onto water (100 mL). The solid formed was collected by filtration, dried, and crystallized from benzene.

(Z)-ethyl-N'-4-methyl-2-amino-5-acetylthiophene-3-carbonylformo hydrazonate (5b). – A mixture of compound **2** (0.01 mol) and triethylorthoformate (20 mL) was heated under reflux with stirring for 2 h. The reaction mixture was filtered hot and the filtrate was left to cool to room temperature. The solid formed was filtered off, dried and crystallized from ethanol.

Synthesis of 1-(5-amino-3-methyl-4-(1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl) thiophen-2-yl) ethanone (6a) and 1-(5-amino-3-methyl-4-(1,3,4-oxathiadiazol-2-yl) thiophen-2-yl) ethanone (6b). – A mixture of compounds **5a** or **5b** (0.005 mol) and phosphorus pentoxide (2 g) or phosphorus pentasulfide (4 g) in dry xylene (30 mL) was heated under reflux for 6–12 h. The solid separated upon cooling was filtered off, crystallized from ethanol to produce **6a** and **6b**, respectively.

Ethyl-2-acetamido-4-methyl-5-acetylthiophene-3-carboxylate (7). – A mixture of compound **1** (0.01 mol) and acetic anhydride (30 mL) was heated under reflux for 3 h. The reaction mixture was allowed to cool to room temperature and the solid formed was collected by filtration, dried, and crystallized from ethanol.

6-Acetyl-3-amino-2,5-dimethylthienof[2,3-d]pyrimidin-4(3H)-one (8). – A mixture of **7** (0.01 mol) and hydrazine hydrate (10 mL) in ethanol (30 mL) was heated under reflux for 2 h. The reaction mixture was allowed to cool to room temperature and poured into water (100 mL). The solid formed was collected by filtration, dried and crystallized from ethanol as yellow powder.

Ethyl-4-methyl-5-acetyl-2-(methylthiocarbonothioylamino) thiophene-3-carboxylate (9). – To a vigorously stirred solution of **1** (0.02 mol) in dimethylsulfoxide DMSO (10 mL) at room temperature, carbon disulfide (0.026 mol) and aqueous sodium hydroxide were added simultaneously over 30 min; stirring was continued for further 30 min. Dimethylsulfate (0.02 mol) was added dropwise to the reaction mixture under stirring at 5–10 °C. It was stirred for another 2 h and poured into ice-water. The solid obtained was filtered off, dried and recrystallized from ethanol.

5-Methyl-3-amino-2-mercapto-6-acetylthieno[2,3-d]pyrimidin-4(3H)-one (10). – Method A: A solution of **9** (0.01 mol) in ethanol (30 mL) and hydrazine hydrate (0.01 mol) was added and refluxed on a water bath until the methyl mercaptan evolution ceased after 8 h. After cooling, the solid obtained was filtered off, dried and recrystallized from ethanol/acetone mixture. Method B: A solution of **2** (0.01 mol) in ethanol (30 mL) and aqueous potassium hydroxide (0.01 mol) was refluxed for 30 min. After cooling to room temperature, carbon disulfide (1 mL) was added, refluxed for 2-3 hours and poured into ice-water. The solid obtained was filtered off, dried and recrystallized from ethanol.

Ethyl-4-methyl-5-acetyl-2-thioureidothiophene-3-carboxylate (11). – A mixture of **1** (0.01 mol) and 10 % HCl (10 mL) was refluxed with potassium thiocyanate (0.015 mol) for 4 h. The reaction mixture was allowed to cool to room temperature. The solid formed was collected by filtration, washed with water, dried and crystallized from dioxane.

5-Methyl-6-acetyl-2-thioxo-2,3-dihydrothieno[2,3-d]pyrimidin-4(1H)-one (12). – A solution of **11** (0.01 mol) in ethanolic sodium ethoxide (0.23 g of sodium metal in 30 mL ethanol) was stirred under reflux for 6 h. After cooling, the reaction mixture was neutralized with cool 10 % HCl and the solid formed was collected by filtration, washed with water, dried and then crystallized from dimethylformamide.

Pharmacological screening

Ehrlich cells. – Ehrlich cells (Ehrlich ascites carcinoma, EAC) were derived from ascetic fluid from diseased mice (the cells were purchased from the National Cancer institute, Cairo, Egypt).

Antioxidant activity screening via erythrocyte hemolysis. – The blood was obtained from rats by cardiac puncture and collected in heparinized tubes. Erythrocytes were separated from plasma and the buffy coat was washed three times with 10 volumes of 0.15 mol L⁻¹ NaCl. During the last wash, the erythrocytes were centrifuged at 2500 rpm for 10 min to obtain a constantly packed cell preparation. Erythrocyte hemolysis was mediated by peroxy radicals in this assay system (17). A 10 % suspension of erythrocytes in phosphate buffered saline pH 7.4 (PBS) was added to the same volume of 200 mmol L⁻¹ AAPH solution in PBS containing samples to be tested (50 μL of 2 mmol L⁻¹ solution). The reaction mixture was shaken gently while being incubated at 37 °C for 2 h. The reaction mixture was then removed, diluted with eight volumes of PBS and centrifuged at 1500×g for 10 min. The absorbance of the supernatant was read at 540 nm. Similarly, the reaction mixture was treated with 8 volumes of distilled water to achieve complete hemolysis, and the absorbance of the supernatant obtained after centrifugation was measured at 540 nm. The data for hemolysis percentage was expressed as mean ± standard deviation. L-ascorbic acid was used as a positive control.

Antioxidant activity screening via ABTS method. – For each of the investigated compounds, 2 mL of ABTS solution (60 μmol L⁻¹) was added to 3 mL MnO₂ solution ($\gamma = 25$ mg mL⁻¹), all prepared in aqueous phosphate buffer (pH 7, 0.1 mol L⁻¹). The mixture was shaken, centrifuged, filtered and the absorbance of the resulting green-blue solution (ABTS radical solution) at 734 nm was adjusted to approx. 0.5. Then, 50 μL of 2 mmol L⁻¹ solution of the test compound in spectroscopic grade MeOH/phosphate buffer (1:1)

was added. The absorbance was measured and the reduction in color intensity was expressed as inhibition percentage. L-ascorbic acid was used as standard antioxidant (positive control). Blank sample was run without ABTS and using MeOH/phosphate buffer (1:1) instead of a sample. Negative control was run with ABTS and MeOH/phosphate buffer (1:1) instead of test compound (18–20).

Bleomycin-dependent DNA damage. – The assay was done according to Aeschlach (21) with minor modifications. The reaction mixture (0.5 mL) contained calf thymus DNA (0.5 mg mL⁻¹), bleomycin sulfate (0.05 mg mL⁻¹), MgCl₂ (5 mmol L⁻¹), FeCl₃ (50 μmol L⁻¹) and the sample to be tested (50 μL of 2 mmol L⁻¹ solution). L-ascorbic acid was used as a positive control. The mixture was incubated at 37 °C for 1 h. The reaction was terminated by addition 0.05 mL EDTA (0.1 mol L⁻¹). The color was developed by adding 0.5 mL TBA (1 %, *m/V*) and 0.5 mL HCl (25 %, *V/V*) followed by heating at 37 °C for 15 min. After centrifugation, the extent of DNA damage was measured by the increase in absorbance at 532 nm.

Antitumor activity using Ehrlich ascites in vitro assay. – Tested compounds were prepared in a concentration of 25 mg mL⁻¹ in DMSO. Ascites fluid from the peritoneal cavity of a diseased mouse (containing Ehrlich cells) was aseptically aspirated. The cells were grown partly floating and partly attached in a suspension culture in RPMI 1640 medium, supplemented with 10 % fetal bovine serum. They were maintained at 37 °C in a humidified atmosphere with 5 % CO₂ for 2 h. The viability of the cells was determined by microscopical examination using a hemocytometer and using trypan blue stain (stains only dead cells) (22).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

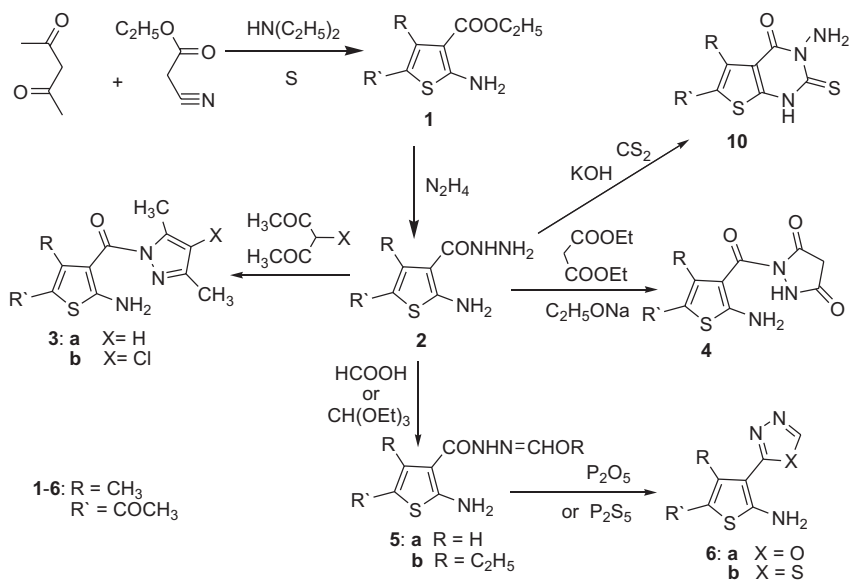
Chemistry

First, aminothiophene (**1**) was prepared by the reaction of acetylacetone with ethylcyanoacetate and sulfur in the presence of diethylamine following the Gewald procedure (23). ¹H NMR spectrum of **1** showed, beside the two signals of ester moiety, a new broad singlet at δ 6.66 ppm characteristic of the amino group. Moreover, the mass spectra showed an ion peak *m/z* 227 [M⁺], which was in accord with the calculated molecular mass for C₁₀H₁₃NOS.

Hydrazide **2** was achieved after refluxing compound **1** with hydrazine hydrate in ethanol. ¹H NMR spectrum of **2** showed the absence of the two signals of ester moiety detected in parent **1** along with other protons at their expected locations.

Hydrazide **2** reacted with 2,4-diketones, namely, pentane-2,4-dione or 3-chloropentane-2,4-dione to afford **3a** and **3b**, respectively. The ¹H NMR spectrum of **3a** revealed new signals at δ 2.10 ppm assignable to 2 CH₃ groups, δ 7.96 ppm for pyrazole proton and δ 12.51 ppm for NH₂ (as D₂O exchangeable).

Also, hydrazide **2** reacted with diethylmalonate affording pyrazolidine-3,5-dione derivative **4**. The ¹H NMR spectrum showed the absence of the hydrazo signal and the presence of new signals at δ 2.78 ppm for CH₂ group and δ 12.32 ppm corresponding to (as a D₂O exchangeable NH proton) along with other protons detected in parent **4**.



Scheme 1

Treatment of **2** with formic acid or triethylorthoformate afforded **5a** and **5b**, respectively, in fairly good yields. ¹H NMR spectrum of **5a** showed signals at δ 8.44 ppm for CH proton, and δ 11.55 ppm (as a D₂O exchangeable OH proton), while the ¹H NMR spectrum of **5b** showed new signals at δ 1.31, 4.32 ppm for CH₂CH₃ moiety and δ 6.67 ppm for CH proton.

Moreover, compounds **5a** and **5b** undergo cyclization when treated with P₂O₅ and P₂S₅, to yield thienyloxadiazole (**6a**) and thienylthiadiazole (**6b**) derivatives, respectively. The ¹H NMR spectrum of **6a** and **6b** showed signals at δ 7.12 ppm characteristic of the oxadiazole proton of **6a** and δ 7.85 ppm for thiadiazole proton of **6b** beside the other expected signals characteristic of methyl, acetyl and amino groups.

Hydrazide **2** reacted with carbon disulphide in ethanolic potassium hydroxide to afford thienopyrimidinone derivative (**10**). ¹H NMR spectrum showed signals at δ 6.12 ppm for NH₂ and δ 7.44 ppm for NH proton (as D₂O exchangeable) beside the signals characteristic of acetyl and methyl groups; moreover, the mass spectrum revealed an ion peak at *m/z* 255 [M⁺], which was in accord with the calculated molecular mass C₉H₉N₃O₂S₂ (Scheme 1).

Compound **1**, when treated with acetic anhydride, afforded 2-thienylacetamide derivative (**7**). Moreover, when compound **7** was allowed to react with hydrazine hydrate, it yielded aminothiopyrimidinone derivative (**8**). ¹H NMR of **8** revealed signals at δ 1.97 ppm for CH₃ and 7.33 ppm (D₂O exchangeable NH₂ protons) with a lack of peaks attributed to the ester protons detected in the parent compound **7**.

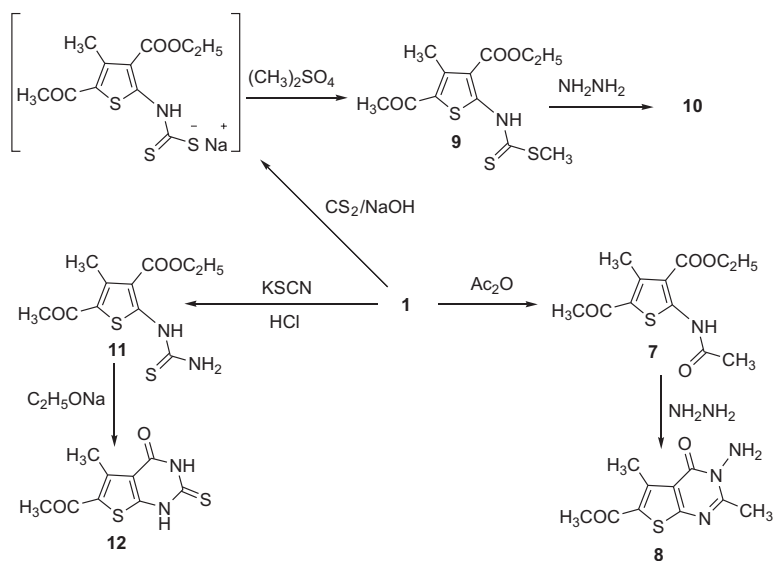
When compound **1** was stirred with a mixture of carbon disulphide, sodium hydroxide in dimethylsulphoxide and dimethylsulphate, according to the Alagarsamy proce-

Table I. Physical and analytical data of newly synthesized compounds

Compd. No.	Yield (%)	M.p. (°C)	Molecular formula (M_r)	Microanalytical analysis		
				Calcd./found (%)		
				C	H	N
1	90	160–162	$C_{10}H_{13}NO_3S$ (227.28)	52.85	5.77	6.16
				52.82	5.71	6.15
2	85	110–112	$C_8H_{11}N_3O_2S$ (213.26)	45.06	5.20	19.70
				45.10	5.15	19.70
3a	75	140–142	$C_{13}H_{15}N_3O_2S$ (277.34)	56.30	5.45	15.15
				56.32	5.40	15.10
3b	70	290–292	$C_{13}H_{14}ClN_3O_2S$ (311.79)	50.08	4.53	13.48
				50.12	4.50	13.45
4	75	137–139	$C_{11}H_{11}N_3O_4S$ (281.29)	46.97	3.94	14.94
				46.95	3.90	14.90
5a	78	123–125	$C_9H_{11}N_3O_3S$ (241.27)	44.80	4.60	17.42
				44.83	4.62	17.40
5b	75	131–133	$C_{11}H_{15}N_3O_3S$ (269.32)	49.06	5.61	15.60
				49.08	5.60	15.63
6a	70	138–140	$C_9H_9N_3O_2S$ (223.25)	48.42	4.06	18.82
				48.40	4.03	18.80
6b	60	oil	$C_9H_9N_3OS_2$ (239.32)	45.17	3.79	17.56
				45.14	3.75	17.53
7	90	146–148	$C_{12}H_{15}NO_4S$ (269.32)	53.52	5.61	5.20
				53.50	5.60	5.23
8	85	273–275	$C_{10}H_{11}N_3OS$ (221.28)	54.28	5.01	18.99
				54.25	5.03	18.95
9	80	198–200	$C_{12}H_{15}NO_3S_3$ (317.45)	45.40	4.76	4.41
				45.43	4.72	4.40
10	75	330–332	$C_9H_9N_3O_2S_2$ (255.32)	42.34	3.55	16.46
				42.30	3.50	16.42
11	80	201–203	$C_{11}H_{14}N_2O_3S_2$ (286.37)	46.14	4.93	9.78
				46.10	4.90	9.75
12	85	239–241	$C_9H_8N_2O_2S_2$ (240.30)	44.98	3.36	11.66
				44.95	3.30	11.62

ture (24), it afforded **9**. 1H NMR spectrum of **9** showed the absence of the amino signal and appearance of new signals at δ 3.85 ppm for SCH₃ and δ 11.72 ppm (as a D₂O exchangeable NH proton). It is worth mentioning that compound **9** cyclized with hydrazine hydrate to yield **10**.

Finally, the reaction of compound **1** with potassium thiocyanate afforded the formation of 2-thioureidothiophene derivative (**11**). Moreover, when compound **11** was refluxed in sodium ethoxide, it underwent self-cyclization to yield 2-thioxothienopyrimidi-



Scheme 2

none derivative (**12**). The ^1H NMR of **12** revealed signals at δ 11.90, 12.29 ppm (as D_2O exchangeable 2 NH protons) with a lack of peaks attributed to the ester protons detected in the parent compound **11** (Scheme 2).

Antioxidant activity

All compounds were tested for antioxidant activity as reflected in the ability to inhibit lipid peroxidation in rat brain and kidney homogenates and the rate of erythrocyte hemolysis. Pro-oxidant activities of the formed compounds were assayed *via* their effects on bleomycin-induced DNA damage. Compounds **10** and **12** manifested potent antioxidative activity in the lipid peroxidation assay but no inhibitory activity in the hemolysis assay. On the other hand, compounds **3a**, **4**, **5a**, **5b**, **6a**, **6b**, **8**, **10** and **12** exhibited significant antioxidant activity and protected the DNA from damage (Table III).

Antitumor activity using the *in vitro* Ehrlich used ascites assay

The newly synthesized compounds were screened for their antitumor activity. Viability of the cells used in control experiments exceeded 95 %. Compound **6a** proved to have the highest cytotoxic activity (83.1 %) followed by compounds **8**, **10**, **12** (79.9–77.2 %) and **11** (67.9 %). The other tested compounds showed very weak activity (45.1–4.9 %) (Table IV).

Table II. Mass, IR and ^1H NMR spectral data of newly synthesized compounds

Compd. No.	Mass m/z (abundance, %)	IR (KBr) (ν , cm^{-1})	^1H NMR (DMSO- d_6), δ (ppm)
1	227 [M^+] (35)	3425 (NH_2) 1700, 1720 (2CO)	1.29 (t, 3H, CH_3), 2.24 (s, 3H, CH_3), 2.59 (s, 3H, COCH_3), 4.29 (q, 2H, CH_2), 6.66 (br.s, 2H, NH_2 , D_2O exchangeable)
2	213 [M^+] (100)	3420, 3355 (NH, NH_2) 1700, 1690 (2CO)	2.25 (s, 3H, CH_3), 2.58 (s, 3H, COCH_3), 6.12 (br.s, 2H, NH_2 , D_2O exchangeable), 7.33 (br.s, 2H, NH_2 , D_2O exchangeable), 8.16 (s, 1H, NH, D_2O exchangeable)
3a	277 [M^+] (100)	3410 (NH_2) 1705, 1685 (2CO)	2.10 (s, 6H, 2 CH_3), 2.23 (s, 3H, CH_3), 2.57 (s, 3H, COCH_3), 7.96 (s, 1H, pyrazole proton), 12.51 (br.s, 2H, NH_2 , D_2O exchangeable)
3b	311 [M^+] (40)	3415 (NH_2) 1706, 1689 (2CO)	2.07 (s, 6H, 2 CH_3), 2.31 (s, 3H, CH_3), 2.56 (s, 3H, COCH_3), 12.53 (br.s, 2H, NH_2 , D_2O exchangeable)
4	281 [M^+] (25)	3410 (NH) 1700, 1690, 1685, 1679 (4CO)	2.24 (s, 3H, CH_3), 2.58 (s, 3H, COCH_3), 2.78 (s, 2H, CH_2), 9.35 (br.s, 2H, NH_2 , D_2O exchangeable), 12.32 (s, 1H, NH, D_2O exchangeable)
5a	241 [M^+] (45)	3420 (NH) 1710, 1685 (2CO)	2.25 (s, 3H, CH_3), 2.59 (s, 3H, COCH_3), 8.44 (s, 1H, azomethine CH proton), 8.59 (br.s, 2H, NH_2 , D_2O exchangeable), 11.31 (s, 1H, NH, D_2O exchangeable), 11.55 (s, 1H, OH, D_2O exchangeable)
5b	269 [M^+] (40)	3410 (NH) 1700, 1680, (2CO)	1.31 (t, 3H, CH_3), 2.26 (s, 3H, CH_3), 2.60 (s, 3H, COCH_3), 4.32 (q, 2H, CH_2), 6.67 (s, 1H, azomethine CH proton), 8.49 (br.s, 2H, NH_2 , D_2O exchangeable), 11.10 (s, 1H, NH, D_2O exchangeable)
6a	223 [M^+] (71)	3395 (NH_2) 1700 (CO)	2.24 (s, 3H, CH_3), 2.58 (s, 3H, COCH_3), 7.12 (s, 1H, oxadiazole proton), 8.16 (br.s, 2H, NH_2 , D_2O exchangeable)
6b	239 [M^+] (100)	3398 (NH_2) 1705 (CO)	2.27 (s, 3H, CH_3), 2.60 (s, 3H, COCH_3), 7.85 (s, 1H, thiadiazole proton), 8.90 (br.s, 2H, NH_2 , D_2O exchangeable)
7	269 [M^+] (69)	3420 (NH) 1720, 1690, 1685 (3CO)	1.28 (t, 3H, CH_3), 2.24 (s, 3H, CH_3), 2.44 (s, 3H, COCH_3), 2.59 (s, 3H, COCH_3), 4.31 (q, 2H, CH_2), 11.10 (s, 1H, NH, D_2O exchangeable)
8	237 [M^+] (92)	3415 (NH_2) 1705, 1680 (2CO)	1.97 (s, 3H, CH_3), 2.23 (s, 3H, CH_3), 2.58 (s, 3H, COCH_3) 7.33 (br.s, 2H, NH_2 , D_2O exchangeable)
9	317 [M^+] (64)	3300 (NH) 1705, 1725 (2CO)	1.28 (t, 3H, CH_3), 2.25 (s, 3H, CH_3), 2.58 (s, 3H, COCH_3), 3.85 (s, 3H, SCH_3) 4.28 (q, 2H, CH_2), 11.72 (s, 1H, NH, D_2O exchangeable)
10	255 [M^+] (88)	3250 (NH_2) 1700, 1685 (2CO)	2.10 (s, 3H, CH_3), 3.21 (s, 3H, COCH_3), 6.12 (br.s, 2H, NH_2 , D_2O exchangeable), 7.44 (s, 1H, NH, D_2O exchangeable)
11	286 [M^+] (72)	3380, 3260 (NH, NH_2) 1700, 1720 (2CO)	1.29 (t, 3H, CH_3), 2.24 (s, 3H, CH_3), 2.59 (s, 3H, COCH_3), 4.32 (q, 2H, CH_2), 6.84 (br.s, 2H, NH_2 , D_2O exchangeable), 10.97 (s, 1H, NH, D_2O exchangeable)
12	240 [M^+] (83)	3390, 3385 (2NH) 1705, 1680 (2CO)	2.23 (s, 3H, CH_3), 2.95 (s, 3H, COCH_3), 11.90 (s, 1H, NH, D_2O exchangeable), 12.29 (s, 1H, NH, D_2O exchangeable)

Table III. Antioxidant activity of the prepared compounds

Compd. No. ^a	ABTS inhibition (%)	Erythrocyte hemolysis (%)
L-ascorbic acid	88.6	0.9
1	20.2	7.5
2	24.3	6.4
3a	70.8	1.7
3b	44.4	4.8
4	65.9	1.9
5a	60.9	2.5
5b	55.3	2.8
6a	80.4	1.1
6b	79.2	1.4
7	50.3	3.5
8	72.9	1.5
9	48.2	3.7
10	88.6	0.9
11	35.6	5.6
12	83.3	1.0

^a For testing 50 μL of 2 mmol L^{-1} solution in 1 mL methanol/phosphate buffer (1:1, *V/V*) was used.

Table IV. Ehrlich in vitro assay

Compd. No. ^a	Dead cells (%)
1	4.9
2	45.1
3a	12.0
3b	6.9
4	11.4
5a	7.9
5b	15.0
6a	83.1
6b	36.0
7	4.9
8	79.5
9	42.9
10	79.9
11	67.9
12	77.2
5-Flourouracil ^b	99.5

^a 1 $\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$ in DMSO/RPMI-1640 (1:10)

^b 25 $\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$ in DMSO/RPMI-1640 (1:10)

CONCLUSIONS

In summary, an interesting thiophene derivatives with substituted diazole, thiadiazole, pyrazole and pyrimidine moieties were synthesized and evaluated for their antioxidant and antitumor activities.

- i) Novel thiophene derivatives with substituted diazole, thiadiazole, pyrazole and pyrimidine moieties possess a potential as antioxidant and antitumor agents.
- ii) Thienopyrimidinone derivatives were found to be of high antioxidant activity, while thienoxathiazol and thienoxadiazole showed moderate activity compared to thienopyrazole derivatives.
- iii) Thienoxadiazole showed the highest cytotoxic activity, higher than thienopyrimidinone and thienylthiourea derivatives.

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S A Ž E T A K

Dizajniranje i sinteza novih derivata tiofenkarbohidrazida, tienopirazola i tienopirimidina s antioksidativnim i antitumorskim djelovanjem

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Etilni ester 2-amino-5-acetil-4-metil-tiofen-3-karboksilne kiseline (**1**) i 5-acetil-2-amino-4-metiltiofen-3-karbohidrazid (**2**) sintetizirani su i upotrebljeni kao reaktanti u sintezi novih spojeva 1-(5-amino-4-(3,5-dimetil-1*H*-pirazol-1-karbonil)-3-metiltiofen-2-il) etanona (**3a**), 1-(5-amino-4-(4-klor-3,5-dimetil-1*H*-pirazol-1-karbonil)-3-metiltiofen-2-il) etanona (**3b**), 1-(4-metil-2-amino-5-acetiltiofen-3-karbonil) pirazolidin-3,5-diona (**4**), (*Z*)-*N'*-(4-metil-2-amino-5-acetiltiofen-3-karbonil) formohidrazonske kiseline (**5a**), (*Z*)-etil-*N'*-(4-metil-2-amino-5-acetiltiofen-3-karbonil)formo hidrazonata (**5b**), 6-acetil-3-amino-2,5-dimetiltieno.2,3-*d*.pirimidin-4(3*H*)-one (**8**), 5-metil-3-amino-2-merkaptio-6-acetiltieno.2,3-*d*.pirimidin-4(3*H*)-ona (**10**) i 5-metil-6-acetil-2-tio-2,3-dihidrotieno.2,3-*d*.pirimidin-4(1*H*)-ona (**12**) kao potencijalnih antioksidansa i citostatika. Farmakološka ispitivanja ukazuju na to da spojevi **6a**, **6b**, **8**, **10** i **12** imaju značajno antitumorsko i antioksidativno djelovanje.

Ključne riječi: tienopirazol, tieno[2,3-*d*]pirimidini, tiofenkarbohidrazid, antioksidativno djelovanje, bleomicin-ovisno DNA oštećenje, antitumorsko djelovanje

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