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## 5-(2-Thienylidene)barbituric Acid

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5-(2-Thienylidene)barbituric acid **3** was prepared by Knoevenagel condensation of thiophene-2-carboxaldehyde **1** and barbituric acid **2** in ethanol using piperidine as a base [1,2]. Barbituric acid **2** (2.82 g, 0.02 mol) and thiophene-2-carboxaldehyde **1** (2.50 g, 0.02 mol) in ethanol (50 mL) was heated under reflux for three minutes. Piperidine (0.5 mL) was added in one portion and the reflux was continued for additional two hours. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and the solid formed was filtered, washed with cooled ethanol (2x20 mL) and dried. 5-(2-Thienylidene)barbituric acid **3** was recrystallized from ethanol as yellow powder (4.65g, 95%).

M.p. 220-222 (EtOH, uncorrected).

UV (EtOH) (e dm<sup>3</sup>.mol<sup>-1</sup>.cm<sup>-1</sup>): 260 (2009), 370 (2875), 220 (2475).

IR (KBr): 3204 (N-H), 1694 (C=O), 1670 (N-CO-N), 1632 (C=C).

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 11.3 (1H, s, NH), 8.55 (1H, s, HC=), 8.27 (1H, d, H-5,  $J_{54}$ = 5.0 Hz), 8.17 (1H, d, H-3,  $J_{34}$ =3.9 Hz), 7.34 (1H, dd, H-4,  $J_{43}$ = 3.9Hz,  $J_{45}$ = 5.0 Hz).

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 111.6 (CH=*C*), 128.4 (*C*H=*C*), 136.3 (C-2 thiophene), 142.2, 145.7, 145.8 (C-5 thiophene), 150.3 (N-CON), 163.0 (C=O), 163.6 (C=O).

Anal.Calc. for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>6</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S (222.262): C 48.64, H 2.72, N 12.60; found : C 48.31, H 2.86, N 12.47.

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