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Synthesis and Photophysical Properties of N(9)-Alkylated Purines with Amorphousing Groups

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Earlier we reported the synthesis of fluorescent 6-triazolyl purine nucleosides [1]. Now we have developed the synthesis of 2/6-triazolyl purine derivatives with amorphousing groups at N(9) position. Different electron-donor and electron-acceptor groups were introduced in the purine structure and their modulating influence on fluorescent properties was studied.

Both variations of target compounds $\bf 5$ and $\bf 9$ were achieved by S_NAr reaction on diazides $\bf 3$ and $\bf 6$ proceeding in different positions, followed up by a CuAAC reaction. Trityl groups connected through short alkyl chain linkers provided target compounds $\bf 5$ and $\bf 9$ with the desired amorphous properties [2]. Compounds $\bf 5$ with longer polyethylene glycol linkers were also studied. Final products have been obtained with 13-54% total yield. The fluorescent properties were studied in the solution and in the film, with compounds $\bf 5$ emitting light at wavelength around 450 nm and compounds $\bf 9$ emitting at around 400 nm. Quantum yields in DCM solution reached up to 91%. Compounds $\bf 5$ and $\bf 9$ had quantum yields up to 59% in the films.

Fig. 1 General scheme for 2/6-amino-6/2-triazolyl purine derivatives

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