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Synthesis of 4-Methoxybenzoylhydrazone Derivatives and Evaulation of Their Antiglycation Activity

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4-Methoxybenzoylhydrazone derivatives (**1-30**) were synthesized from 4-methoxybenzoylhydrazide which were obtained from methyl-4-methoxybenzoate by refluxing with hydrazine hydrate for 5 h. 4-Methoxybenzoylhydrazones derivatives were prepared by condensing 4-methoxybenzoylhydrazide with different aromatic aldehydes under reflux condition in ethanol for 3-4 h. The compounds **1-30** showed varying degree of antiglycation activitiy, with IC₅₀ values ranging between 216.52 \pm 4.2-748.71 \pm 7.8 μ M, when compared to standard Rutin (294.46 \pm 1.50 μ M). Compounds **1, 6,** 7, **11** and **3** (IC₅₀ = 216.52 \pm 4.2- μ M), (IC₅₀ = 227.75 \pm 0.53 μ M), (IC₅₀ = 242.53 \pm 6.1 μ M), (IC₅₀ = 287.79 \pm 1.59 μ M), and (IC₅₀ = 289.58 \pm 2.64 μ M) showed better activities than standard Rutin (294.46 \pm 1.50 μ M). The compounds **4, 8, 2** and **12** (IC₅₀ = 307.1 \pm 6.08 μ M), (IC₅₀ = 347.62 \pm 5.8 μ M), (IC₅₀ = 394.76 \pm 3.35 μ M) and (IC₅₀ = 399.90 \pm 7.9 μ M) showed good activity. The compounds **5** and **17** (IC₅₀ = 420.40 \pm 3.3 μ M), and (IC₅₀ = 474.97 \pm 19.14 μ M) showed moderate activities. The compounds **14, 10, 18** and **15** (IC₅₀ = 649.18 \pm 18.5 μ M), (IC₅₀ = 657.75 \pm 14.0 μ M), (IC₅₀ = 718.96 \pm 10.7 μ M), and (IC₅₀ = 748.71 \pm 7.8 μ M) showed weak activities. The compounds **9, 13** and **18-30** showed inhibition less than 50% therefore they were not evaluated for IC₅₀. Thus, these compounds are potential molecules for the development of new derivatives for glycation inhibition.

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