Stable σ^{H} -Adducts in the Synthesis of Isoxazolo[4,5-*b*]quinoxalines

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In continuation of our research on studying cyclizations of azines with bifunctional nucleophiles we have elucidated the reaction of 2-quinoxalinecarboxaldehyde (1) with hydroxylamine. Interaction of hydroxylamine with the carbonyl group of compound 1 results in the formation of oxime 2, which was converted into the corresponding quaternary salt 3. When base was added to aqueous solution of compounds 3 isoxazolo[4,5-*b*]quinoxaline 4 was obtained in good yield as result of intramolecular nucleophilic reaction at C-2 of the pyrazine ring. The compound 4 can be involved into ring-chain interactions. Thus, salt 3 is obtained, when an acid is added to solution of the adduct 4. Also, adduct 4 transforms into σ -adducts 5,6 by action of O-nucleophiles (water, alcohols).



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