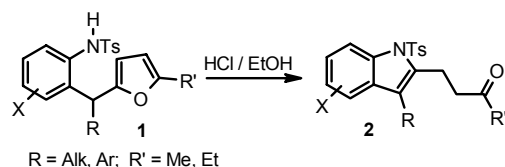


2-Aminoaryldifurylmetane Derivatives for Indoles Synthesis

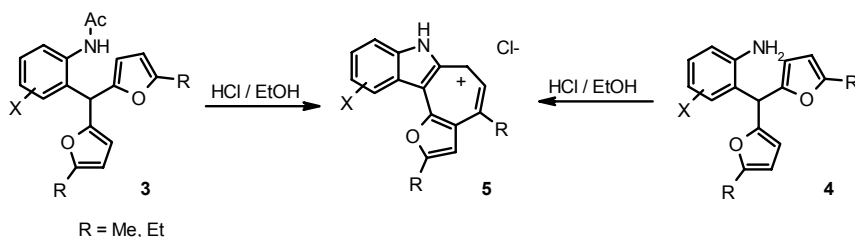
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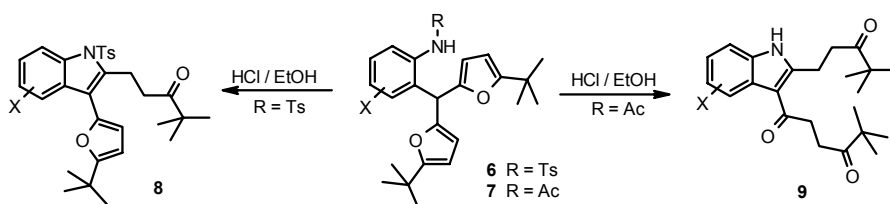
Earlier we reported that 2-tosylaminobenzylfurans **1** on treatment with ethanolic solution of hydrogen chloride were transformed into indole ketones **2** in high yields [1].



Later we determined that recyclization of 2-aminoaryldifurylmetane derivatives **3** and **4** accompanied by secondary cyclization and resulted in tetracyclic indole derivatives **5** formation.



We could avoid secondary cyclization using bulky *tert*-butyl substituent at the position 5 of furan ring and as a result obtained indole ketones **8** bearing furan ring at the position 3 of indole unit.



It was established that the treatment of acetyl derivatives **7** with HCl gas in ethanol under refluxing resulted in a cleavage of another furan ring without subsequent cyclization.

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