Synthesis of 3-Arylisocoumarins

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Isocoumarins, according to literature dates, are a class of naturally occurring lactones which display a wide range of biologycal activity. But there are no convenient methods for synthesis of substituted isocoumarins, and studing of their chemical, spectral and biological properties is not sufficient. 3-Arylisocoumarins were choosed by us as model compounds for elaboration of preparation methods and for studing properties of isocoumarin system with aromatic substituents.

3-Arylisocoumarins **1a-d** were prepared by cyclization of homophtalic anhydride and chloroanhydride of aromatic acids. 3-(2-Carboxyphenyl)isocoumarins **1e,f** were prepared by cyclization of homophtalic acids and phtalic anhydride at fusion.



Some derivatives of compounds with an active COOH-group were synthesized.



By reduction of NO₂-group containing substanses 1a,b,f 3-arylisocoumarins with amino group were synthesized.

