

Synthesis new hypervalent heterocyclic Tellurium compound containing Te-N bond

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ABSTRACT

Tellurium compounds are good antioxidants, anti-inflammatory, immuno-modulating with potential antitumor activity¹, and hypervalent ones are known to be powerful cathepsin inhibitors². Organotellurane **1**, for example, has shown good *in vitro* activity toward *L. amazonensis*³ (IC₅₀ = 5,7 μM, SI = 6), which is attributed to cathepsins inhibition. Herein, a method for synthesizing the nitrogenated analog of **1** is described. So, BuTe- moiety was inserted in 2-fluorobenzaldehyde followed by the tellurium oxidation in **2**, in 70% isolated yield, by sulfuryl chloride. Finally, reductive amination of **3**, in 50% isolated yield, led to the desired cyclic tellurane **4** in 5% isolated yield.

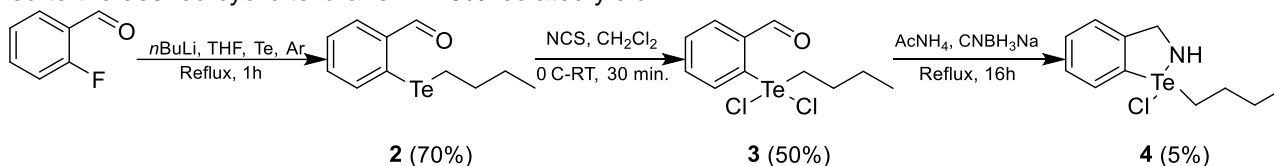
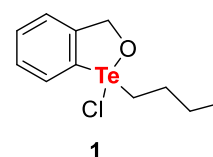


Figure 1 – Synthetic route for compound 4.

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