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### The synthesis of novel pyrazole-3,4-dicarboxamides bearing 5-amino-1,3,4-thiadiazole-2-sulfonamide moiety with effective inhibitory activity against the isoforms of human cytosolic carbonic anhydrase I and II



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#### 1. Introduction

# Carbonic anhydrase (CA) is intimately involved in the production of aqueous humor and the inhibitors of this enzyme (CAIs) are clinically used as ophthalmologic drugs for the treatment of glaucoma by acting in a systemic or topical manner [1–3]. It cat-

alyzes a very simple essential physiological reaction: the hydration of  $CO_2$  and dehydration of  $HCO_3^-$  [4–7]. Also, CAs play roles in pH regulation, CO<sub>2</sub> homeostasis, electrolyte secretion in a variety of tissues, biosynthetic reactions (such as gluconeogenesis, lipogenesis and ureagenesis), bone resorption, calcification, tumorigenicity, and many other physiological or pathologic processes [8,9]. Up to now, six genetically distinct CA families are known,  $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ -,  $\gamma$ -,  $\delta$ -, ζ-, and n-CAs, and all of them contain Zn(II), Cd(II), or Fe(II) at their active sites [10,11]. The mammalian enzymes belonging to  $\alpha$ -CA family consist of sixteen active members, in which several are cytosolic (CA I-III, CA VII and CA XIII), five are membrane-bound

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#### ABSTRACT

A series of 1-(3-substituted-phenyl)-5-phenyl-N<sup>3</sup>,N<sup>4</sup>-bis(5-sulfamoyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)-1H-pyrazole-3,4-dicarboxamides (4-15) were synthesized. The structures of these pyrazole-sulfonamides were confirmed by FT-IR, <sup>1</sup>H NMR, <sup>13</sup>C NMR and elemental analysis methods. Human cytosolic carbonic anhydrase (CA, EC 4.2.1.1) isozymes (hCA I and II) were purified from erythrocyte cells by affinity chromatography. The inhibitory effects of newly synthesized derivatives (4-15) were investigated in vitro on esterase activities of these isozymes. The  $K_i$  values were determined as 0.119–3.999  $\mu$ M for hCA I and 0.084–0.878  $\mu$ M for hCA II. The results showed that the compound 6 for hCA I and the compound 11 for hCA II had the highest inhibitory effect. Beside that, the compound 8 had the lowest inhibition effect on both isozymes.

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(CA IV, CA IX, CA XII, CA XIV, and CA XV), two are mitochondrial (CA VA and VB), and one (CA VI) is secreted in saliva/milk [12–16]. Three acatalytic forms are also known, called, CA-related proteins (CARPs) [16]. Inhibition of the CA is crucial in therapeutic applications as a diuretic, and an anticonvulsant, antiglaucoma and anticancer agent [9,17-20]. Sulfonamides have significant inhibitory activity against many CA classes, and these compounds still widely used as systemic antiglaucoma drugs [21]. But these systemic CAIs possess undesiderable side effects such as numbness, fatigue and metabolic acidosis [22-24]. Thus, it is required to synthesize more effectively acting topical CAIs, and keeping minimal side effects.

Pyrazole compounds are unique molecules and constitute the basic framework of drugs such as Celecoxib, and are well recognized for their multifaceted pharmacological and medical applications [25,26]. Among various pharmacological activities of pyrazole derivatives were reported as anti-inflammatory [27], antibacterial [28], antifungal [29], antipyretic [30], inhibitors of carbonic anhydrase [31], and cytotoxic [32] activities. During our research efforts of the discovery of novel pyrazole-sulfonamide derivatives [33,34], herein we describe synthesis, characterization, and evaluation of



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the inhibition effects of novel coupling products (4-15) of 1-(3-aminophenyl)-5-phenyl-N<sup>3</sup>,N<sup>4</sup>-bis(5-sulfamoyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)-1*H*-pyrazole-3,4-dicarboxamide (**3**) on hCA I and hCA II isozymes. In our previous studies, we have synthesized a big library of coupling products that include only one sulfonamide group on the third position of the pyrazole ring [33–36]. We newly synthesized 12 novel coupling products that have two sulfonamide groups on both 3 and 4 positions. We firstly aimed to check whether the new derivatives may show higher inhibitory effect on CA isozymes with respect to the compounds previously investigated. We also aimed to discuss the selective inhibition effects of our compounds on human carbonic anhydrase isozymes I and II.

#### 2. Results and discussion

#### 2.1. Chemistry

Firstly, our pyrazole-3.4-dicarboxylic acid derivative (1) was synthesized according to the literature and its carboxyl groups were activated [37]. Then, 1-(3-nitrophenyl)-5-phenyl-N<sup>3</sup>. N<sup>4</sup>-bis(5-sulfamoyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)-1H-pyrazole-3,4-dicarboxamide (2) was synthesized from the reaction of pyrazole-3,4dicarboxylic acid chloride with 5-amino-1,3,4-thiadiazole-2-sulfo namide [38]. The reduction of the nitro group of 2 with sodiumpolysulfur hydrogenation (Na<sub>2</sub>S/S/H<sub>2</sub>O) afforded an arylamine derivative (3) as described previously (Scheme 1) [38]. Then, the arylamine derivative (3) was diazotized and coupled with  $\beta$ naphthol, 1,3-dicarbonyl derivatives and cyclohexane-1,3-diones to generate novel series of pyrazole-sulfonamides (4-15). The general synthetic route shown in Scheme 2 was used to prepare the pyrazole-sulfonamide derivatives 4-15. We purified human erythrocyte carbonic anhydrase isoenzymes, CA I and CA II, by using Sepharose-4B L-tyrosine-sulfanilamide affinity chromatography [33]. Then we investigated the inhibitory effects of newly synthesized compounds on the activities of purified human erythrocyte CA I and CA II isozymes.

The structures of the compounds were assigned by elemental analysis (C, H, N, and S) and various spectroscopic methods (IR, <sup>1</sup>H NMR, and <sup>13</sup>C NMR). IR spectrum of **4** showed a broad absorption band at 3353  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  related to OH stretching of  $\beta$ -naphthol. And in the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4** the peak belonging to OH proton was observed as a singlet at 15.52 ppm. Further support was obtained from the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4** which showed a peak at  $\delta$  = 155.18 ppm due to the carbon atom adjacent to the OH group (=C-OH). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra displayed NH resonances in the  $\delta$  = 11.25–11.92 ppm region attributed to hydrazinyl group (Ar–NH=N–C) of compounds **5–12**. According to the <sup>1</sup>H NMR results only 6 have tautomeric structures while the others (5, 7-14) preferred keto-hydrazo form. Also hydrazinyl group of compounds **13** and **14** appear as downfield shifts ( $\sim$ 14.6 ppm) in <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra, and thus, can be assigned to the intramolecular hydrogen bonds [39–41] (see Fig. 1). <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR signals associated with the other alkyl groups in the cyclohexanedione and dimedone rings appeared in the expected regions and the data consistent with the literature [42–44]. In the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **15** SCH and OCH<sub>3</sub> protons were observed as singlets at 4.66 and 3.84 ppm, respectively. Also <sup>13</sup>C NMR signals at  $\delta$  = 99.52 and  $\delta$  = 52.55 ppm belonging to SCH and OCH<sub>3</sub> carbons support the <sup>1</sup>H NMR results and consistent with the literature [45]. In general CONH protons appear between  $\delta$  = 13.95 and 12.04 ppm in the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra. Therefore, all compounds have characteristic <sup>13</sup>C NMR resonances at ~160 ppm related to the C-2 and C-5 positions of the thiadiazole rings. The other functional group resonances were observed at the expected chemical shifts and integral values in the <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra (see Section 3).

#### 2.2. Biologic activity studies

Inhibitors and activators of CAs are important for therapeutic applications in many diseases. CA I and II inhibitors are generally used for the treatment of glaucoma and epilepsy, or as diuretic drugs [36,46]. For instance, acetazolamide and brinzolamide are the most well-known drugs for the treatment of glaucoma [47], and topiramate is for the treatment of epilepsy [48] and acetazolamide and methazolamide are also used as diuretic drugs. Thus designing of novel CA inhibitors is very important for discovery of new pharmacological agents. Also carbonic anhydrase inhibitors have effective role for understanding details about protein-drug interactions at molecular level and for clarification of the mechanisms of enzyme catalysis. Because, CA enzyme is well known as a drug-target in the literature. In this study, we aimed to determine in vitro inhibitory effect of novel 5-amino-1,3,4-thiadiazole-2-sulfo namide containing pyrazole derivatives (4-15) on hCA I and II isozymes. For this purpose, hCA I and II were purified with a high yield from human erythrocytes by Sepharose-4B-L-tyrosine affinity chromatography in a single and simple step. The hCA I and II isozymes were purified with 65%, 80.2% yields and 620 and 3250 U/mg protein specific activities, respectively. The purification folds of hCA I and II isozymes were found as 85 and 520-fold, respectively. Additionally, purity of enzymes was controlled using SDS-PAGE. Purified hCA I and hCA II isozymes had single bands at 29 kDa. After the purification process, the *in vitro* effects of novel 5-amino-1.3.4-thiadiazole-2-sulfonamide containing pyrazole derivatives (4-15) were investigated on the esterase activity of hCAI and hCA II isozymes. All compounds exhibited inhibitory effects for hCA I and II. In addition, almost all of the synthesized compounds (except 6 and 9) had selective inhibition against hCA II. Compound 6 had the strongest inhibitory effect on hCA I activity and  $K_i$  value of this compound was found as 0.119  $\mu$ M. The compound **11** had also the strongest inhibitory effect on hCA II activity and K<sub>i</sub> value was found in almost nanomolar concentration range  $(0.084 \,\mu\text{M}$  for hCA II). On the other hand, the compound **8** showed lowest inhibition effects on both hCA I and hCA II isozymes. By their decreasing inhibition power on hCA I, the compounds can



Scheme 1. Synthesis of starting compounds (1-3).



Scheme 2. Synthetic route for the target inhibitors (4-15).



Fig. 1. Almost all 1,3-dicarbonyl coupling derivatives (except 6) prefer only one tautomeric form (keto-hydrazo). It is estimated that the intramolecular hydrogen bonds cause NH and OH protons (4–14) appear as downfield shift in the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra.

Table 1
The inhibition data and K <sub>i</sub> values of hCA I and hCA II isozymes for esterase activity.

Compound	K <sub>i</sub> a,b (μM)		Inhibition type
	hCA I	hCA II	
4	1.663 ± 0.255	0.411 ± 0.021	Noncompetitive
5	0.767 ± 0.132	$0.494 \pm 0.024$	Noncompetitive
6	0.119 ± 0.147	$0.119 \pm 0.017$	Noncompetitive
7	$0.710 \pm 0.012$	0.208 ± 0.075	Noncompetitive
8	3.999 ± 2.503	0.878 ± 0.123	Noncompetitive
9	0.487 ± 0.079	0.435 ± 0.108	Noncompetitive
10	0.461 ± 0.151	0.203 ± 0.023	Noncompetitive
11	0.246 ± 0.019	$0.084 \pm 0.017$	Noncompetitive
12	0.522 ± 0.103	$0.149 \pm 0.016$	Noncompetitive
13	0.508 ± 0.086	0.157 ± 0.041	Noncompetitive
14	0.787 ± 0.307	$0.288 \pm 0.005$	Noncompetitive
15	$0.318 \pm 0.037$	$0.092 \pm 0.018$	Noncompetitive

<sup>a</sup> Mean ± standard error, from three different assays.

<sup>b</sup> p < 0.0001 for all analysis.

be ranked as 6, 11, 15, 10, 9, 13, 12, 7, 5, 14, 4 and 8. By also their decreasing inhibition power on hCA II, it is in the order of **11**, **15**, **6**, 12, 13, 10, 7, 14, 4, 9, 5 and 8 (see Table 1). The structure-activity relationship (SAR) mainly depends on  $R^1$  and  $R^2$  moiety of the 1,3-dicarbonyl substituents. When R moieties are hydrofobic and aromatic  $(R^1, R^2 = Ph, \mathbf{8})$ , the compound shows weak inhibition effect. If R moieties are small hydrofobic groups such as R<sup>1</sup>,  $R^2$  = Me (**5**), the moderate inhibition effect is observed. In the case of  $R^1$  = Me and  $R^2$  = Ph (**6**), the inhibition effect increased significantly. Similar situation was observed in ester substituted compounds (**7**, **9–12**). Having  $R^1$  = alkyl or OR and  $R^2$  = OR (**7**, **10–12**) groups, the compounds show strong inhibitory effect. In the case of  $R^1$  = Ph and  $R^2$  = OR, the inhibition effect decreased dramatically. For the compounds containing cyclohexane dione moiety (13, 14), the methyl substituents decreased the inhibition potency. The inhibition type of all the compounds was found as noncompetitive. It is well known that noncompetitive type is a reversible inhibition. Already, enzyme-chemical interactions are generally occurring according to the reversible inhibition. However, some chemicals or drugs may show their effects binding three-dimension structure of the enzyme as irreversible. For instance, penicillin binds to the transpeptidase enzyme, covalently and it causes the inhibition of the enzyme activity. Thus, the bacterial cell wall synthesis is inhibited. The inhibitor is known to bind to any location outside the active site. Hence, the increasing substrate concentration does not reduce the inhibition of the enzyme at the noncompetitive type. Therefore, binding mechanism is difficult to estimate for this inhibition type. On the other hand, it may be estimated by using crystallography. Many studies have been reported in the literature about effects on CA isozymes of different compounds including sulfonamide derivatives. For example, in our previous study novel pyrazole carboxamide derivatives were synthesized and in vitro inhibition effects of these compounds were investigated on human CA I and CA II izozymes, as mentioned previously [33]. In the present study, we used the similar chemical skeleton with the mentioned study but some R groups were changed. Additionally, two sulfonamides were connected to the chemical skeletons. However, a remarkable inhibition effect was not observed. As the cause of these findings, they are considered as bind to any location outside the active site of the enzyme-interacting groups of inhibitors. In another study, some pyrazole-3,4-dicarboxamides bearing biologically active sulfonamide moiety were synthesized and the inhibition effects of these compounds on esterase activities of hCA I and II isozymes were investigated in vitro [38]. The results of the inhibition types in the current study are consistent with those of our previous study. On the other hand synthesized compounds in this study (except 6, 9 and 11) had a bit weaker inhibitory effects than the analogs with one sulfonamide group synthesized in our previous studies [33,49]. Besides the compounds including  $\beta$ naphthol substituent in this study, previous studies had at least fourfold more powerful inhibition potential on CA II isozyme [33-35,49].

#### 3. Experimental procedures

#### 3.1. Material and methods

Chemical compounds and solvents used in this research were purchased from Fluka, Merck and Sigma-Aldrich. All reactions were monitored by analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC) on 0.25 mm precoated Kieselgel 60F 254 plates (E. Merck Co., Darmstadt, Germany); compounds were visualized by Camag TLC devices (Camag, Upland, CA, USA) UV (254 and 366 nm). Melting points were taken on a Barnstead Electrothermal 9200 (Electrothermal Co., Essex, UK). The structures of each compound were supported by Bruker Vertex 70 FT-IR (Bruker Optik GmbH, Ettlingen, Germany) equipped with an Attenuated Total Reflection (ATR) device and the data were reported in reciprocal centimeters  $(cm^{-1})$ . <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded in DMSO- $d_6$ solutions at 298 K using a Bruker Ultrashield-400 spectrometer operating at 400.00 MHz for <sup>1</sup>H and 101.00 MHz for <sup>13</sup>C (Bruker BioSpin GmbH Silberstreifen D-76287, Rheinstetten, Germany). The center of the peaks of DMSO- $d_6$  [ $\delta$  (ppm): 2.50 (<sup>1</sup>H) and  $\delta$ (ppm): 39.5 (<sup>13</sup>C)] was used as an internal reference in a 5-mmNMR tube (Wilmad, No. 528-PP). The elemental analyses (C, H, N, and S) were carried out with a Leco CHNS-932 instrument (LECO Corporation, Saint Joseph, Michigan, USA).

#### 3.2. General procedure for the synthesis of compounds 4-15

1-(3-Aminophenyl)-5-phenyl-N<sup>3</sup>,N<sup>4</sup>-bis(5-sulfamoyl-1,3,4-thia diazol-2-yl)-1*H*-pyrazole-3,4-dicarboxamide **3** (0.647 g, 1 mmol) was dissolved in a mixture of ethanol and hydrochloric acid (60 ml, ratio 5:1) and the solution was then cooled to 0–5 °C. Sodium nitrite (0.083 g, 1 mmol) in water (10 ml) was then added

to this solution dropwise with vigorous stirring, about 30 min., while cooling at 0–5 °C. Then, the aromatic or 1,3-dicarbonyl compounds in ethanol were added in portions over 15 min to the vigorously stirred diazonium solution while keeping at 0–5 °C. The pH of the mixture, in each case, was maintained at 7–8 by simultaneous addition of sodium acetate solution. The mixture was then stirred 1 h between 0 and 5 °C and 2 h at room temperature. The precipitated colored product was filtered, washed with water several times, dried, and then recrystallized from an appropriate solvent.

## 3.3. $1-(3-((2-Hydroxynaphthalen-1-yl)diazenyl)phenyl)-5-phenyl-N^3$ , $N^4$ -bis(5-sulfamoyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)-1H-pyrazole-3,4-dicarbox-amide (**4**)

Compound (4) was synthesized according to general procedure from diazonium salt of **3** and  $\beta$ -naphthol (1 mmol, 0.144 g). The crude product was crystallized from EtOH/DMF (3:1) mixture. Red powder, 77% yield, mp: 266–268 °C; IR (v, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3353 (OH), 3288 and 3219 (NH), 3060 (ArCH), 1777 and 1664 (C=O), 1600-1413 (C=C and C=N), 1355 and 1169 (S=O); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 15.52 (s, 1H, Ar–OH), 13.38 (br, s, 2H, 2CONH), 8.37 and 8.36 (s, 4H, 2SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 8.30-6.65 (m, 15H, ArH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 163.41 and 163.09 (C=O, amide), 162.49, 162.42, 161.78 and 161.49 (thiadiazole C-2 and C-5), 155.18 (=C-OH), 144.95 (pyrazole C-3), 144.92 (pyrazole C-5), 121.63 (pyrazole C-4), 140.86, 140.80, 132.51, 130.63, 130.51, 130.36, 130.28, 130.22, 130.08, 129.47, 129.27, 128.93, 127.98, 127.88, 127.84, 126.27, 124.53, 124.17, 115.02. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>31</sub>-H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>12</sub>O<sub>7</sub>S<sub>4</sub>: C, 46.38; H, 2.76; N, 20.94; S, 15.98; Found: C, 46.51; H, 2.80; N, 20.87; S, 16.07.

### 3.4. 1-(3-(2-(2,4-Dioxopentan-3-ylidene)hydrazinyl)phenyl)-5-phenyl- $N^3, N^4$ -bis(5-sulfamoyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)-1H-pyrazole-3,4-dicarboxamide (**5**)

Compound (5) was synthesized following general procedure from diazonium salt of **3** and acetylacetone (1 mmol. 0.104 ml). The crude product was crystallized from EtOH/DMF (5:1) mixture. Yellow powder, 74% yield, mp: 231–233 °C; IR (v, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3325 and 3220 (NH), 3002 (ArCH), 2968 (aliphatic CH), 1778 and 1661 (C=O), 1602-1414 (C=C and C=N), 1354 and 1165 (S=O); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ (ppm): 13.72 (s, 2H, 2CONH), 11.43 (s, 1H, Ar-NH-N=), 8.30-7.04 (m, 9H, ArH), 8.19 and 8.17 (s, 4H, 2SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 2.45 and 2.32 (s, 6H, 2CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 197.02 and 196.33 (C=O, acetyl), 164.12 and 163.29 (C=O, amide), 163.15, 161.95, 161.84 and 161.30 (thiadiazole C-2 and C-5), 142.45 (pyrazole C-3), 139.70 (pyrazole C-5), 116.62 (pyrazole C-4), 31.19 and 26.46 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 139.41, 134.13, 134.00, 130.47, 130.19, 129.40, 128.27, 127.86, 122.25, 122.07, 113.21. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>12</sub>O<sub>8</sub>S<sub>4</sub>: C, 41.15; H, 2.92; N, 22.15; S, 16.90; Found: C, 41.32; H, 3.01; N, 22.07; S, 16.87.

3.5. 1-(3-(2-(1,3-Dioxo-1-phenylbutan-2-ylidene)hydrazinyl)phenyl)-5-phenyl-N<sup>3</sup>,N<sup>4</sup>-bis(5-sulfamoyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)-1H-pyrazole-3,4-dicarboxamide (**6**)

Starting from **3** (1 mmol, 0.647 g) and benzoylacetone (1 mmol, 0.164 g), the title compound **6** was obtained by general method. The crude product was crystallized from DMF/H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1). Yellow powder, 66% yield, mp: 209–211 °C; IR (v, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3331 and 3220 (NH), 3062 (ArCH), 2925 (aliphatic CH), 1777 and 1649 (C=O), 1603–1418 (C=C and C=N), 1355 and 1169 (S=O); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 14.14 (s, 1H, C=C–OH enol tautomer), 13.77 and 13.75 (s, 2H, 2CONH), 11.25 (s, 1H, Ar–NH–N= keto tautomer), 8.30 and 8.21 (s, 4H, 2SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 8.33–6.82 (m, 14H,

ArH), 2.43 (s, 3H, CO<u>CH</u><sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 196.02 (C=O, acetyl), 194.89 (C=O, benzoyl), 164.33 and 164.17 (C=O, amide), 162.95, 162.88, 162.07 and 161.22 (thiadiazole C-2 and C-5), 143.77 (pyrazole C-3), 139.63 (pyrazole C-5), 119.65 (pyrazole C-4), 24.96 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 139.51, 139.11, 135.36, 134.54, 134.47, 130.28, 130.13, 129.98, 129.67, 129.06, 128.71, 128.49, 128.04, 127.97, 114.99. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>12</sub>O<sub>8</sub>S<sub>4</sub>: C, 45.36; H, 2.95; N, 20.48; S, 15.63; Found: C, 45.41; H, 3.02; N, 20.45; S, 15.57.

## 3.6. Ethyl 3-oxo-2-(2-(3-(5-phenyl-3,4-bis((5-sulfamoyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)carbamoyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl)phenyl)hydrazono) butanoate (**7**)

Compound (7) was synthesized according to general procedure from diazonium salt of **3** and ethyl acetoacetate (1 mmol, 0.127 ml). The crude product was crystallized from methanol. Orange powder, 72% yield, mp: 222–224 °C; IR (υ, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3327 and 3196 (NH), 3045 (ArCH), 2977 (aliphatic CH), 1727 and 1668 (C=O), 1606-1414 (C=C and C=N), 1354 and 1165 (S=O); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 13.95 (br, s, 2H, 2CONH), 11.52 (s, 1H, Ar-NH-N=), 8.28 and 8.17 (s, 4H, 2SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.45-6.89 (m, 9H, ArH), 4.30 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.32 (s, 3H, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.27 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 193.74 (C=O, acetyl), 164.07 (C=O, ester), 163.91 and 163.34 (C=O, amide), 162.34, 162.31, 161.94 and 161.35 (thiadiazole C-2 and C-5), 143.10 (pyrazole C-3), 142.93 (pyrazole C-5), 120.41 (pyrazole C-4), 61.29 (OCH<sub>2</sub>), 25.36 (COCH<sub>3</sub>), 13.84 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 139.35, 133.54, 132.46, 130.47, 130.18, 129.98, 129.32, 128.22, 127.85, 115.28, 112.24. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>12</sub>O<sub>9</sub>S<sub>4</sub>: C, 41.11; H, 3.07; N, 21.31; S, 16.26; Found: C, 40.96; H, 3.01; N, 21.37; S, 16.34.

#### 3.7. 1-(3-(2-(1,3-Dioxo-1,3-diphenylpropan-2-ylidene)hydrazinyl)phenyl)-5-phenyl-N<sup>3</sup>,N<sup>4</sup>-bis(5-sulfamoyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)-1Hpyrazole-3,4-dicarboxamide (**8**)

Title compound (8) was obtained by general method from diazonium salt of **3** and dibenzoylmethane (1 mmol, 0.228 g). The crude product was crystallized from DMF/H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1). Bright yellow powder, 80% yield, mp: 226–228 °C; IR (v, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3373 and 3277 (NH), 3065 (ArCH), 1777 and 1639 (C=O), 1594-1410 (C=C and C=N), 1342 and 1169 (S=O); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ (ppm): 13.74 (br, s, 2H, 2CONH), 11.58 (s, 1H, Ar-NH-N=), 7.87 and 7.84 (s, 4H, 2SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.57–6.67 (m, 19H, ArH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 196.99 and 193.20 (C=O, benzoyl), 165.26 and 164.04 (C=O, amide), 163.53, 162.65, 161.46 and 160.92 (thiadiazole C-2 and C-5), 144.54 (pyrazole C-3), 143.56 (pyrazole C-5), 119.87 (pyrazole C-4), 139.75, 136.57, 135.69, 134.45, 131.86, 129.95, 129.85, 129.14, 128.73, 128.47, 128.30, 127.92, 127.85, 127.72, 127.48, 127.38, 126.67, 114.82, 99.49. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>36</sub>H<sub>26</sub>N<sub>12</sub>O<sub>8</sub>S<sub>4</sub>: C, 48.97; H, 2.97; N, 19.04; S, 14.53; Found: C, 49.11; H, 3.05; N, 18.97; S, 14.61.

## 3.8. Ethyl 3-oxo-3-phenyl-2-(2-(3-(5-phenyl-3,4-bis((5-sulfamoyl-1, 3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)carbamoyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl)phenyl)hydrazono) propanoate (**9**)

Compound (9) was synthesized following general procedure from diazonium salt of **3** and ethyl benzoylacetate (1 mmol, 0.173 ml). The crude product was crystallized from methanol. Pale yellow powder, 81% yield, mp: 165–167 °C; IR (v, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3225 (NH), 3062 (ArCH), 2981 (aliphatic CH), 1727 and 1671 (C=O), 1603–1416 (C=C and C=N), 1362 and 1169 (S=O); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 13.85 (br, s, 2H, 2CONH), 11.92 (s, 1H, Ar–NH–N=), 8.27 and 8.15 (s, 4H, 2SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.97–6.81 (m,

14H, ArH), 4.33 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 1.26 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 193.48 (C=O, benzoyl), 167.67 (C=O, ester), 162.20 and 162.13 (C=O, amide), 162.04, 161.92, 161.29 and 160.28 (thiadiazole C-2 and C-5), 146.96 (pyrazole C-3), 141.35 (pyrazole C-5), 119.12 (pyrazole C-4), 60.60 (OCH<sub>2</sub>), 13.98 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 136.82, 135.78, 133.78, 132.69, 129.86, 128.81, 128.51, 128.38, 128.28, 128.08, 127.73, 127.36, 126.71, 115.19, 112.55. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>26</sub>N<sub>12</sub>O<sub>9</sub>S<sub>4</sub>: C, 45.17; H, 3.08; N, 19.75; S, 15.07; Found: C, 45.06; H, 3.02; N, 19.86; S, 14.96.

### 3.9. Diethyl 2-(2-(3-(5-phenyl-3,4-bis((5-sulfamoyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)carbamoyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl)phenyl)hydrazono)malonate (**10**)

Starting from **3** (1 mmol, 0.647 g) and diethyl malonate (1 mmol, 0.154 ml), the title compound **10** was obtained by general method. The crude product was crystallized from ethanol. Pale orange powder, 70% yield, mp: 203–205 °C; IR (v, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3223 (NH), 3063 (ArCH), 2985 (aliphatic CH), 1668 (C=O), 1603-1414 (C=C and C=N), 1354 and 1167 (S=O); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm): 13.89 (br, s, 2H, 2CONH), 11.88 (s, 1H, Ar-NH-N=), 8.27 and 8.17 (s, 4H, 2SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 8.15-7.14 (m, 9H, ArH), 4.32 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.25 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 1.29 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.19 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 164.10 and 163.38 (C=O, ester), 162.16 and 161.81 (C=O, amide), 161.74, 161.61, 161.40 and 161.34 (thiadiazole C-2 and C-5), 147.81 (pyrazole C-3), 145.66 (pyrazole C-5), 120.51 (pyrazole C-4), 61.40 and 60.91 (OCH<sub>2</sub>), 14.09 and 13.84 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 139.29, 138.36, 130.14, 129.81, 129.68, 129.01, 128.17, 125.84, 123.07, 116.41, 112.41. Anal. Calcd. for C28-H<sub>26</sub>N<sub>12</sub>O<sub>10</sub>S<sub>4</sub>: C, 41.07; H, 3.20; N, 20.53; S, 15.66; Found: C, 40.95; H, 3.14; N, 20.41; S, 15.81.

3.10. Ethyl 3-oxo-2-(2-(3-(5-phenyl-3,4-bis((5-sulfamoyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)carbamoyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl)phenyl)hydrazono) hexanoate (**11**)

Title compound (11) was obtained by general method from diazonium salt of **3** and ethyl butyrylacetate (1 mmol, 0.163 ml). The crude product was crystallized from ethanol. Pale yellow powder, 77% yield, mp: 205–207 °C; IR (v, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3213 (NH), 3065 (ArCH), 2963 (aliphatic CH), 1778 and 1672 (C=O), 1606-1415 (C=C and C=N), 1355 and 1167 (S=O); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ (ppm): 13.88 (s, 2H, 2CONH), 11.41 (s, 1H, Ar-NH-N=), 8.23 and 8.13 (s, 4H, 2SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 8.35-6.90 (m, 9H, ArH), 4.30 (q, J = 6.2 Hz, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.76 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H, CO<u>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub></u>), 1.58 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.27 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 0.92 (t. I = 6.8 Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 195.94 (C=O, ketone), 163.91 (C=O, ester), 163.57 and 163.12 (C=O, amide), 163.01, 162.72, 162.40 and 161.47 (thiadiazole C-2 and C-5), 147.45 (pyrazole C-3), 143.11 (pyrazole C-5), 120.42 (pyrazole C-4), 61.25 (OCH<sub>2</sub>), 38.38 (<u>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 17.35 (CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-</u> CH<sub>3</sub>), 13.85 and 13.69 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 142.98, 139.68, 139.48, 130.52, 130.31, 129.76, 128.74, 128.02, 127.76, 114.93, 112.36. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>28</sub>N<sub>12</sub>O<sub>9</sub>S<sub>4</sub>: C, 42.64; H, 3.45; N, 20.58; S, 15.70; Found: C, 42.55; H, 3.38; N, 20.64; S, 15.77.

3.11. tert-Butyl 3-oxo-2-(2-(3-(5-phenyl-3,4-bis((5-sulfamoyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)carbamoyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl)phenyl)hydrazono) butanoate (**12**)

Starting from **3** (1 mmol, 0.647 g) and *t*-butyl acetoacetate (1 mmol, 0.168 ml), the title compound **12** was obtained by general method. The crude product was crystallized from methanol. Orange powder, 75% yield, mp: 248–250 °C; IR (v, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3209 (NH), 3059 (ArCH), 2975 (aliphatic CH), 1778 and 1674 (C=O),

1607–1418 (C=C and C=N), 1359 and 1168 (S=O); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 13.75 (br, s, 2H, 2CONH), 11.56 (s, 1H, Ar–NH–N=), 8.32 and 8.20 (s, 4H, 2SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.82–6.92 (m, 9H, ArH), 2.29 (s, 3H, CO<u>CH</u><sub>3</sub>), 1.51 (s, 9H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 197.79 (C=O, acetyl), 165.82 (C=O, ester), 164.39 and 164.30 (C=O, amide), 161.55, 161.42, 161.15 and 160.64 (thiadiazole C-2 and C-5), 147.78 (pyrazole C-3), 146.39 (pyrazole C-5), 120.92 (pyrazole C-4), 83.08 (OC (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 27.89 (OC(<u>CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub></u>), 24.35 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 143.20, 141.89, 139.51, 139.36, 131.85, 129.97, 128.52, 126.80, 125.16, 122.78, 112.53. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>28</sub>N<sub>12</sub>O<sub>9</sub>S<sub>4</sub>: C, 42.64; H, 3.45; N, 20.58; S, 15.70; Found: C, 42.48; H, 3.34; N, 20.65; S, 15.61.

### 3.12. 1-(3-((2-Hydroxy-6-oxocyclohex-1-en-1-yl)diazenyl)phenyl)-5-phenyl- $N^3$ , $N^4$ -bis(5-sulfamoyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)-1H-pyrazole-3,4-dicarboxamide (**13**)

Compound (13) was synthesized following general procedure from diazonium salt of **3** and cyclohexane-1,3-dione (1 mmol, 0.115 g). The crude product was crystallized from EtOH/DMF (3:1) mixture. Yellowish green powder, 67% yield, mp: 235-237 °C; IR (v, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3210 (NH), 3041 (ArCH), 2957 (Aliphatic CH), 1776 and 1668 (C=O), 1600-1506 (C=C and C=N), 1355 and 1167 (S=O): <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 14.65 (br, s, 1H, Ar-NH-N=, keto-hydrazo), 13.61 (br, s, 2H, 2CONH), 8.36 and 8.16 (s, 4H, 2SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.79-6.91 (m, 9H, ArH), 2.69 and 2.62 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 4H, H-3 and H-5), 2.03–1.96 (m, 2H, H-4); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 197.79 and 189.98 (C=O, ketone), 163.36 and 163.24 (C=O, amide), 161.73, 161.29, 160.64 and 160.44 (thiadiazole C-2 and C-5), 144.22 (pyrazole C-3), 139.39 (pyrazole C-5), 119.50 (pyrazole C-4), 99.51 (-N=N-C, C-1), 38.61 and 29.10 (2CH<sub>2</sub>, C-5 and C-3), 17.68 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C-4), 137.27, 136.99, 130.44, 130.20, 130.14, 129.84, 129.64, 128.42, 127.91, 122.98. Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{27}H_{22}N_{12}O_8S_4$ : C, 42.07; H, 2.88; N, 21.81; S, 16.64; Found: C, 42.21; H, 2.93; N, 21.73; S, 16.56.

#### 3.13. 1-(3-((2-Hydroxy-4,4-dimethyl-6-oxocyclohex-1-en-1yl)diazenyl)phenyl)-5-phenyl-N<sup>3</sup>,N<sup>4</sup>-bis(5-sulfamoyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)-1H-pyrazole-3,4-dicarboxamide (**14**)

Compound (14) was synthesized according to general procedure from diazonium solution of 3 and dimedone (1 mmol, 0.143 g). The crude product was crystallized from ethanol. Light brown powder, 71% yield, mp: 241–243 °C; IR (v, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3226 (NH), 3063 (ArCH), 2960 (Aliphatic CH), 1776 and 1671 (C=O), 1601–1458 (C=C and C=N), 1353 and 1167 (S=O); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 14.67 (br, s, 1H, Ar–NH–N=, keto-hydrazo), 13.61 (br, s, 2H, 2CONH), 8.26 and 8.15 (s, 4H, 2SO<sub>2</sub>-NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.80-6.90 (m, 9H, ArH), 2.66 and 2.58 (s, 4H, H-3 and H-5), 1.04 (s, 6H, C(<u>CH<sub>3</sub></u>)<sub>2</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 197.01 and 192.69 (C=O, ketone), 164.07 and 162.97 (C=O, amide), 161.98, 161.43, 161.35 and 160.00 (thiadiazole C-2 and C-5), 142.42 (pyrazole C-3), 139.49 (pyrazole C-5), 117.39 (pyrazole C-4), 99.50 (-N=N-C, C-1), 51.98 and 51.77 (2CH<sub>2</sub>, C-3 and C-5), 30.20 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, C-4), 27.97 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>), 132.17, 130.61, 130.52, 130.25, 130.01, 128.19, 126.64, 126.61, 123.07, 114.42. Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{29}H_{26}N_{12}O_8S_4$ : C, 43.60; H, 3.28; N, 21.04; S, 16.06; Found: C, 43.76; H, 3.34; N, 20.97; S, 15.99.

## 3.14. Methyl 2-((3-(5-phenyl-3,4-bis((5-sulfamoyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)carbamoyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl)phenyl)diazenyl)-2-(phenylsulfonyl) acetate (**15**)

Title compound (**15**) was obtained by general method from diazonium salt of **3** and methyl phenylsulfonyl acetate (1 mmol, 0.169 ml). The crude product was crystallized from DMF/H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1). Cream powder, 64% yield, mp: 198–200 °C; IR (v, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3224 (NH), 3062 (ArCH), 2959 (aliphatic CH), 1760 and 1669 (C=O), 1604–1415 (C=C and C=N), 1355 and 1168 (S=O); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 12.04 (br, s, 2H, 2CONH), 8.28 and 8.21 (s, 4H, 2SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>), 8.16–6.83 (m, 14H, ArH), 4.66 (s, 1H, S<u>CH</u>(C=O)), 3.84 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 164.47 (C=O, ester), 164.20 and 163.15 (C=O, amide), 161.34, 160.15, 159.78 and 158.75 (thiadiazole C-2 and C-5), 142.62 (pyrazole C-3), 139.51 (pyrazole C-5), 121.88 (pyrazole C-4), 99.52 (S<u>CH</u>(C=O)), 52.55 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 139.22, 139.12, 138.92, 134.21, 133.78, 130.44, 130.23, 130.11, 129.29, 128.49, 128.01, 125.82, 123.97, 116.41. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>12</sub>O<sub>10</sub>S<sub>5</sub>: C, 41.28; H, 2.77; N, 19.26; S, 18.37; Found: C, 41.17; H, 2.84; N, 19.37; S, 18.29.

#### 3.15. Affinity chromatography

The purification process of the isozymes was performed by the Sepharose-4B L-tyrosine sulfanilamide affinity chromatography column. The column was prepared according to our previous studies [50,51]. Erythrocytes were obtained from human blood, which was obtained from the Hospital Blood Center of Erzurum Atatürk University. The hemolysate was prepared from these samples and the purification process of the hCA I and hCA II isozymes was performed according to the previous study [52]. All procedures were performed at 4 °C.

#### 3.16. Enzyme activity assay

The activity of CA isozymes can be assayed by two different methods: the first is  $CO_2$  hydratase activity, which is the physiological activity of the CA, and the second one is the esterase activity which is non-physiological activity under *in vitro* condition of the CA. The hydratase activity was carried out according to the method described by Wilbur and Anderson [53]. On the other hand, esterase activity was assayed by following the changing the absorbance at 348 nm, spectrophotometrically. This assay was performed according to the method described by Verpoorte et al. The basis of this method is the conversion of 4-nitrophenyl acetate to 4-nitrophenolate ion a period of 3 min at 25 °C [54].

#### 3.17. Protein determination

During all purification steps, protein quantity was determined at 595 nm spectrophotometrically according to the Bradford method. The bovine serum albumin was used as a standard [55].

#### 3.18. SDS-polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis

The purity of the isozymes was controlled by carrying out SDS-PAGE according to the Laemmli's procedure. The gel includes two different acrylamide concentrations, 3% and 8% for running and stacking gel, respectively [56].

#### 3.19. In vitro inhibition studies

CA activity was measured according to the method described by Verpoorte et al. in inhibition studies, spectrophotometrically [54]. The reaction mixture contains 50 mM Tris-SO<sub>4</sub> buffer (pH = 7.4), 3 mM 4-nitrophenylacetate and enzyme solution in 1 ml total volume. A reference measurement was done by using the same cuvette without enzyme solution. The measurement was repeated in triplicate at each concentration of 5-amino-1,3,4-thiadiazole-2-sulfonamide containing pyrazole derivatives.  $K_i$  experiments were

performed by measuring enzyme activity at three different inhibitor concentrations with five different substrate concentrations. Lineweaver–Burk curves were used for the determination of  $K_i$  and inhibition type [33,38].

#### 4. Conclusions

We report here the synthesis, characterization, and biologic activity evaluation of novel 5-amino-1,3,4-thiadiazole-2-sulfona mide containing pyrazole derivatives (4-15). All newly synthesized compounds exhibited satisfactory analytical and spectral data consistent with their structures. Inhibition studies on carbonic anhydrases are crucial for designing new drugs and clarification of the drug-enzyme interaction at molecular level. Thus, in vitro inhibitory effects of novel 5-amino-1,3,4-thiadiazole-2-sul fonamide containing pyrazole derivatives have been studied in this study. Moreover, all of these compounds showed effective inhibitory activity against the human cytosolic carbonic anhydrase isoforms I and II. Compound 6 exhibited remarkable inhibition effects on hCA I, and the compound **11** has the highest inhibitory effects on hCA II. Compound 8 exhibited lowest inhibition effects on both hCA I and hCA II activities. Consequently, 6, 11 and 15 were better inhibitors than the other and they can be used in the future development of new potent CAIs.

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