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- 1. General Information: All chemicals were purchased from Aldrich, Sd-Fine and HIMEDIA (India) and used as received, except all solvents which were used after distillation. All reactions were carried out with oven-dried glassware under air. Distilled n- hexane and ethyl acetate were used for column chromatography. Analytical TLC was performed on Merck 60F254 silica gel plates (0.25 mm thickness). Column chromatography was performed on silica gel (60-120 mesh size, HIMEDIA, India). ¹H NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker AV 400. The ¹H NMR chemical shifts are reported relative to the center of solvent resonance (CDCl₃: 7.26 (1H). Chemical shifts are expressed in parts per million (δ) and the signals were reported as s (singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q(quartet) m (multiplet) and coupling constants *J* were given in Hz. ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded at 100 MHz in CDCl₃ solution. Chemical shifts are expressed in parts per million (δ) as internal standard.
 - 2. Methods for the preparation of CoFe₂O₄ Nano-particles: The preparation of CoFe₂O₄ nanoparticles were carried out following reported procedure. Solution of Co(OAc)₂.7H₂O (4.2 g) and anhydrous FeCl₃ (4.8 g) was dissolved in distilled water and vigorously mixed under sonication for 3h at 70 °C. Subsequently, 0.3 M NaOH was added drop by drop into the solutions till the pH is reached up to 11 and black precipitate is formed. Then reaction mixture was centrifuged and rinsed with ethanol and distilled water and was dried in electric oven. The resulting powder is then calcinated at 550 °C in an oven for 4 hours.
 - 3. General method for the synthesis of 2,3,5-substituted furan derivative from α,β-unsaturated carboxylic acid and ketone (Table 1): A mixture of α,β-unsaturated carboxylic acid (0.5 mmol), ketone (0.5 mmol) and CoFe₂O₄ nanoparticles (23 mg) in water (5 mL) was stirred in presence of LED light for 2-3 h. After completion of the reaction (TLC monitored), and an external magnet was used for the separation of the catalyst from the resulting crude reaction mixture. The reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (20 mL), washed with brine solution (2×5 mL) and distilled water (1×10 mL) and dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate. Solvent was removed under reduced pressure and left the crude solid product which was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (ethyl acetate/n-hexane = 1/9) to provide pure 2,3,5- substituted functionalized product. The product was confirmed by ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectroscopy. The spectroscopic data of the compounds has been given below.

- Detailed spectral data of the 2,3,5-substituted furan derivatives listed in Table 2: The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded 400 MHz and 100 MHz Bruker NMR spectrometer and CDCl₃ was used as solvent.
- Compound **3a**: Colourless solid, mp 85–86 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.74 (4H, d, *J* = 7.9 Hz), 7.49 (4H, t, *J* = 6.7 Hz), 7.34 (2H, t, *J* = 5.4 Hz), 6.41 (2H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.3, 130.7, 128.7, 127.3, 123.7, 107.2; IR (CHCl₃) v 3061, 3020, 1615, 1593 cm⁻¹. Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₁₂O: C, 87.25; H, 5.49. Found: C, 87.30; H, 5.58.
- Compound **3b**: Colorless oil (89%, 104 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.68 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.34–7.30 (m, 2H), 7.20–7.16 (m, 1H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.30 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.8, 153.1, 137.3, 131.0, 129.5, 128.8, 128.2, 127.3, 123.8, 123.7, 107.3, 106.6, 22.4. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₁₄O: C, 87.15; H, 6.02%. Found: C, 87.14; H, 6.09%.
- Compound **3c**: Colorless oil (84%, 112 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.73 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.38 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.28–7.24 (m, 3H), 6.71 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.50 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.3, 153.1, 137.7, 130.8, 128.8, 127.9, 127.4, 126.9, 124.2, 123.8, 107.4, 107.0, 16.0. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₁₄OS: C, 76.66; H, 5.30%. Found: C, 76.86; H, 5.64%.
- Compound **3d**: Colorless oil (85%, 105 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.78 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.27–7.24 (m, 3H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.70 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.56 (s, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.5, 152.8, 137.3, 134.5, 131.4, 130.3, 129.5, 128.3, 127.4, 126.9, 126.1, 123.8, 110.7, 106.5, 22.2, 21.4. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₁₆O: C, 87.06; H, 6.49%. Found: C, 87.38; H, 6.65%.
- Compound **3e**: Colorless solid (93%, 109 mg), mp 46–47 °C (lit. mp 45–46 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.63 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 4H), 7.36–7.26 (m, 4H), 7.18–7.14 (m, 2H), 6.54 (s, 1H), 2.23 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 151.7, 148.3, 131.8, 130.9, 128.7, 128.6, 127.3, 126.7, 125.3, 123.7, 118.7, 110.9, 12.2. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₁₄O: C, 87.15; H, 6.04%; Found: C, 87.18; H, 6.10%.
- Compound **3f**: Colourless solid (85%, 106 mg), mp 95–96 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.79 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.46–7.43 (m, 2H), 7.32–7.29 (m, 3H), 6.65 (s, 1H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 151.4, 148.5, 136.5, 131.0, 129.3, 129.1, 128.7, 127.1, 125.3, 123.7, 123.7, 118.0, 110.8, 21.3, 12.1. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₁₆O: C, 87.06; H, 6.49%. Found: C, 87.43; H, 6.50%.
- Compound **3g**: Colorless solid (93%, 115 mg), mp 81–83 °C (lit. mp 80–82 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.77 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (t, *J* =

7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.28-7.23 (m, 2H), 6.63 (s, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.9, 147.7, 137.0, 131.8, 129.3, 128.5, 128.1, 126.5, 125.1, 123.6, 118.6, 110.1, 21.2, 12.1. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₁₆O: C, 87.09; H, 6.49%; Found: C, 87.18; H, 6.39%.

- Compound **3h**: Colorless solid (86%, 113 mg), mp 97–98 °C (lit. mp 97–98 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.63–7.56 (m, 4H), 7.35 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.20–7.18 (m, 1H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.42 (s, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 2.24 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 159.2, 151.9, 147.6, 132.0, 128.6, 126.5, 125.2, 125.2, 124.0, 118.7, 114.3, 109.4, 55.4, 12.2. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₁₆O₂: C, 81.79; H, 6.12%; Found: C, 81.58; H, 6.09%.
- Compound **3i**: Colorless solid (88%, 111 mg), mp 83–85 °C (lit. mp 85–86 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.63–7.57 (m, 4H), 7.35 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.21–7.17 (m, 1H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.46 (s, 1H), 2.24 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.5 (d, 1*J* C–F = 245 Hz), 150.9, 148.3, 131.8, 128.7, 127.2, 126.8, 125.5 (d, 3*J* C–F = 8 Hz), 125.3, 118.8, 115.8 (d, 2*J* C–F = 22 Hz), 110.6, 12.5. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₁₃FO: C, 80.99; H, 5.20%; Found: C, 80.75; H, 5.25%.
- Compound **3j**: Colorless oil (91%, 122 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.75 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.39–7.37 (m, 2H), 7.35–7.33 (m, 1H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 2.37 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 150.7, 148.6, 132.8, 131.6, 129.3, 128.9, 128.7, 126.9, 125.3, 124.9, 118.8, 111.3, 12.1. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₁₃ClO: C, 75.89; H, 4.84%; Found: C, 75.78; H, 4.89%.
- Compound **3k**: Colorless solid (92% yield, 144 mg). Mp 83–85 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.74 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.48–7.45 (m, 2H), 7.39–7.36 (m, 2H), 7.34–7.28 (m, 1H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 150.7, 148.6, 132.8, 131.6, 129.3, 129.0, 128.7, 126.9, 125.3, 124.9, 123.7, 118.8, 111.3, 12.2. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₁₃BrO: C, 65.19; H, 4.18%; Found: C, 65.38; H, 4.29%.
- Compound **3I**: Colorless solid (92%, 120 mg), mp 98–99 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.51 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 4H), 7.16–7.09 (m, 4H), 6.45 (s, 1H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 2.22 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 151.7, 148.2 137.0, 136.4, 129.4, 129.3, 129.2, 128.3, 125.3, 125.0, 123.7, 117.9, 110.1, 21.4, 21.3, 12.2. Anal. Calcd for C₁₉H₁₈O: C, 86.99; H, 6.92%. Found: C, 87.22; H, 6.98%.
- Compound **3m**: Colorless oil (91%, 113 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.78–7.71 (m, 4H), 7.48– 7.39 (m, 4H), 7.33–7.28 (m, 2H), 6.73 (s, 1H), 2.77 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.33 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 151.9, 147.5, 131.7, 130.8, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 127.1, 126.7, 125.4, 125.3, 125.1, 123.6, 108.6, 19.2, 14.3. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₁₆O: C, 87.02; H, 7.25%; Found: C, 87.30; H, 7.16%.

- Compound **3n**: Sticky liquid (89% yield, 126mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.72–7.65 (m, 4H), 7.46 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.39–7.36 (m, 2H), 7.34–7.28 (m, 1H), 6.71 (s, 1H), 2.76 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.32 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 151.0, 148.1, 132.8, 131.6, 129.4, 129.0, 128.7, 127.1, 125.6, 125.6, 124.9, 109.2, 19.4, 14.5. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₁₅ClO: C, 76.46; H, 5.35%; Found: C, 76.83; H, 5.52%.
- Compound **30**: Colorless oil (88%, 115 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.62 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.55 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.36–7.32 (m, 2H), 7.21–7.17 (m, 1H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.55 (s, 1H), 2.66 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 1.22 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.3, 147.3, 137.1, 131.9, 129.4, 128.6, 128.3, 126.8, 125.5, 125.5, 123.7, 108.2, 22.4, 19.4, 14.5. Anal. Calcd for C₁₉H₁₈O: C, 86.99; H, 6.92%. Found: C, 87.06; H, 6.99%.
- Compound **3p**: Colourless solid (82%, 127 mg), mp 97–99 °C (lit. mp 99–100 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.56 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.40–7.37 (m, 2H), 7.32–7.28 (m, 2H), 7.26–7.20 (m, 3H), 7.17–7.13 (m, 3H), 6.68 (s, 1H), 2.30 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 152.9, 147.6, 137.5, 134.5, 131.3, 129.5, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 127.9, 127.5, 127.3, 126.2, 124.6, 123.9, 108.9, 21.4. Anal. Calcd for C₂₃H₁₈O: C, 89.00; H, 5.85%; Found: C, 89.32; H, 5.97%.
- Compound **3q**: Colourless solid (89% yield, 147 mg). Mp 95–96 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.72 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.50–7.47 (m, 2H), 7.45–7.38 (m, 4H), 7.38–7.34 (m, 2H), 7.32–7.27 (m, 2H), 6.84 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 151.6, 148.3, 134.2, 133.2, 131.0, 129.1, 129.1, 128.8, 128.8, 128.5, 127.8, 127.5, 126.3, 125.1, 124.7, 110.0. Anal. Calcd for C₂₂H₁₅ClO: C, 79.88; H, 4.57%; Found: C, 79.98; H, 4.75%.



































































