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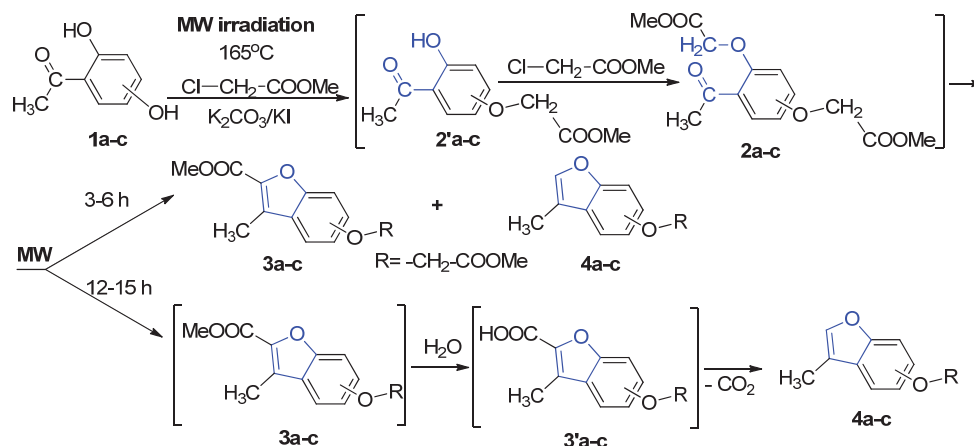
## NEW BLUE FLUORESCENT BENZOFURAN DERIVATIVES

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Fused *O*-heterocyclic rings offer very interesting optical properties. Benzofuran derivatives represent such a class, being a "pure" blue-emitting moiety<sup>1-2</sup>. In the case of benzofuran derivatives, the literature data shows that they are chromophores with high photoluminescence and good quantum yields<sup>2</sup>.

In previous research works<sup>3</sup>, we synthesized a series of dihydroxyacetophenone (DHA) derivatives with antimicrobial and anticancer activity. The aim of this work was to find a new method of synthesis for fluorescent benzofurans, starting from DHA, to study the relationship between optical properties and structure (the effect of substituents and conjugation), and to develop a new method for the preparation of these derivatives under MW irradiation.



**Scheme 1.** Benzofuran derivatives preparation under MW irradiation.

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