# REACTIONS WITH HETEROCYCLIC AMIDINES: NEW ROUTES FOR THE SYNTHESIS OF NOVEL AZOLO[1,5-*a*]PYRIMIDINE, BENZO[4,5]IMIDAZO[1,2-*a*]PYRIMIDINE, SOME PYRIDINE, PYRAN AND PYRAZOLE DERIVATIVES CONTAINING THE ANTIPYRINE MOIETY<sup>†</sup>

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## Abstract

Some novel pyrazolo[1,5-*a*]pyrimidines **5a,e**, 1,2,4-triazolo[1,5-*a*]pyrimidine **10** and benzo[4,5]imidazo[1,2-*a*]pyrimidine **15** could be synthesized by reacting 3-dimethylamino-2-(1,5-dimethyl-3-oxo-2-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-pyrazole-4-carbonyl)-acrylonitrile (**2**) with 5-amino-3,4-substituted-1*H*-pyrazoles **3a-e**, 3-amino-1,2,4-triazole **9** and 2-aminobenzimidazole **12** respectively. The reaction of **2** with 2-benzimidazolylacetonitrile (**17**) afforded the benzo[4,5]imidazo[1,2-*a*]pyridine **18**. On the other hand, the reaction of **2** with hydrazine, phenylhydrazine, malononitrile dimer and ethyl cyanoacetate dimer produced the pyrazoles **22**, **23**, the pyridine **26** and the pyrone **28**, respectively.

### Introduction

1-Phenyl-2,3-dimethyl-3-pyrazoline-5-one (antipyrine or phenazone) has attracted a great deal of interest due to its wide applications in the field of pharmaceuticals.<sup>1-5</sup> In continuation of our interest in the development of new and simple methods for the synthesis of polyfunctionally substituted heterocycles with anticipated biologiacal activity that could be used as biodegradable agrochemicals,<sup>6-12</sup> we report here on the reactivity of phenazonylacetonitrile (1) towards some nitrogen containing compounds. The work has resulted in the formation of a variety of heterocyclic compounds incorporating an antipyrine moiety. Also, the biological activity reported for pyrazolo[1,5-*a*]pyrimidines have stimulated chemists to develop the chemistry of this class of compounds.<sup>9,13-15</sup> Enaminones have recently been reported as useful precursors for the synthesis of pyrazolo[1,5-*a*]pyrimidines.<sup>16-18</sup> Therefore in continuation of our previous interest<sup>20,21</sup> in the synthesis of a variety of heterocyclic systems from the readily obtainable inexpensive starting materials for biological screening program in our laboratory, we report here on the behavior of the hitherto unreported 3-dimethylamino-

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2-(1,5-dimethyl-3-oxo-2-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-pyrazole-4-carbonyl)acrylonitrile (2) towards some nitrogen nucleophiles.

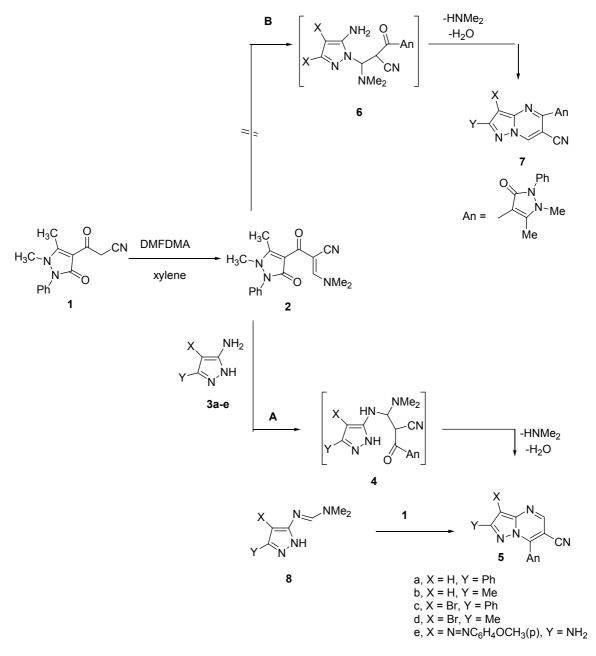
# **Results and discussion**

It seemed much better to prepare compound **2** by heating an equimolar amounts of phenazonylacetonitrile (**1**) and *N*,*N*-dimethylformamide dimethyl acetal (DMFDMA) in dry xylene under gentle reflux for a short time rather than following a recently reported procedure by Kappe et al.<sup>19</sup> The structure of compound **2** was elucidated on the basis of its elemental analysis and spectral data (Scheme **1**).

Compound 2 reacted with some substituted 5-amino-1*H*-pyrazole derivatives **3ae** in ethanol in the presence of piperidine as a catalyst to afford the substituted pyrazolo[1,5-*a*]pyrimidine derivatives **5a-e**. Structure of the latter products was confirmed on the basis of their correct elemental and spectral data (*cf.* experimental). The formation of compounds **5a-e** assumed to take place *via* an initial Michael addition of the exocyclic amino group in compound **3** to the activated double bond in **2** to give the acyclic non-isolable intermediate **4** (route A), which undergo cyclization and aromatization *via* loss of both dimethylamine and water molecules producing the final isolable products **5a-e**. Although the endocyclic imino group in compounds **3a-e** is the most nucleophilic center,<sup>20-22</sup> nevertheless, it is the most sterically hindered site<sup>23</sup> therefore, the reaction is assumed to take place *via* route A rather than route B as shown in Scheme **1**. Structure **5** was further confirmed *via* an independent synthesis of compound **5a** by reacting equimolar amounts of **8a** with **1** in ethanol under reflux to provide a product identical in all aspects (m.p., TLC, and spectra) with those of the proposed structure **5**.

Similarly, compound 2 reacted with 3-amino-1,2,4-triazole (9) to yield the triazolopyrimidine 10 in good yield (Scheme 2). The structure of compound 10 was assigned by means of its spectral properties. Furthermore, the structure of compound 10 was confirmed by an independent synthesis of the same compound *via* reacting an equimolar amount of compound 11 with 1 in ethanol containing catalytic amount of piperidine under reflux to afford a product identical in all aspects to compound 10.

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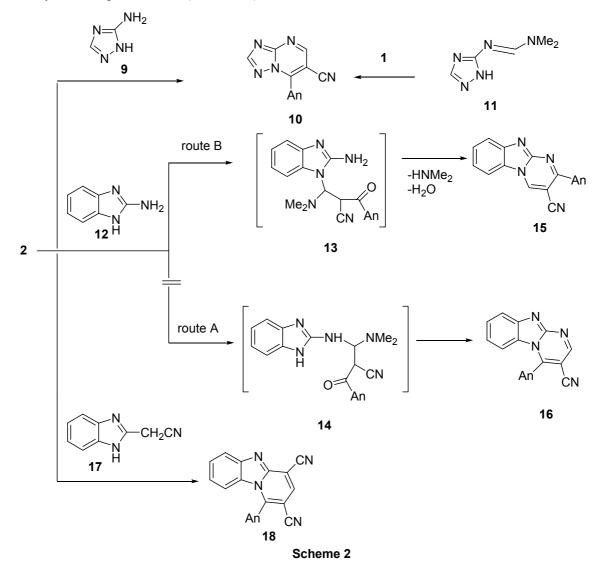
### Scheme 1

In contrast to its behavior towards compounds 5 and 10, compound 2 reacted with 2-aminobenzimidazole 12 under the same experimental conditions to afford the benzo[4,5]imidazo[1,2-a]pyrimidine derivative 15 (Scheme 2). The structure of compound 15 was established on the basis of elemental analysis and spectral data of the isolated reaction product. Formation of 15 is assumed to proceed *via* an initial Michael addition of the imino function in compound 12 to the activated double bond in 2 to form the non-isolable acyclic intermediate 13 (route B) that undergoes cyclization and

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aromatization affording **15**. The discrepancy in the behavior of compounds **5**, **10** and **15** can be explained on the basis of steric factors. Thus if the final product proceeds according to route A, the formation of compound **16** would be difficult due to steric interaction of the antipyrinyl moiety and the benzene ring of benzimidazole nucleus.

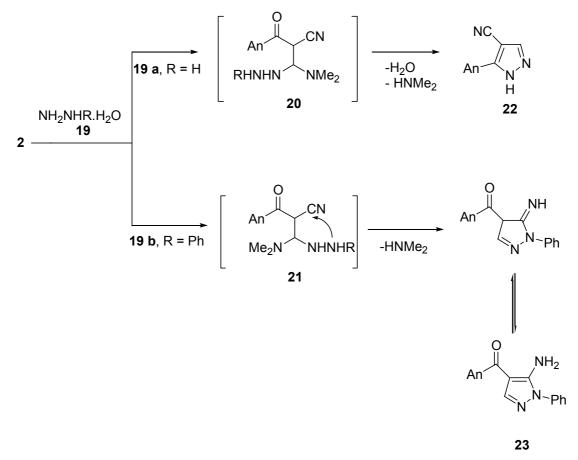
In a similar manner, compound **2** was subjected to react with 2benzimidazolylacetonitrile (**17**), under the same experimental conditions and afforded a yellow crystalline product, which was identified as **18** on the basis of its elemental analysis and spectral data (Scheme **2**).



Also, compound 2 underwent cyclocondensation on treatment with hydrazine hydrate or its derivatives 19 to afford the non-readily available pyrazole 22. Structure of

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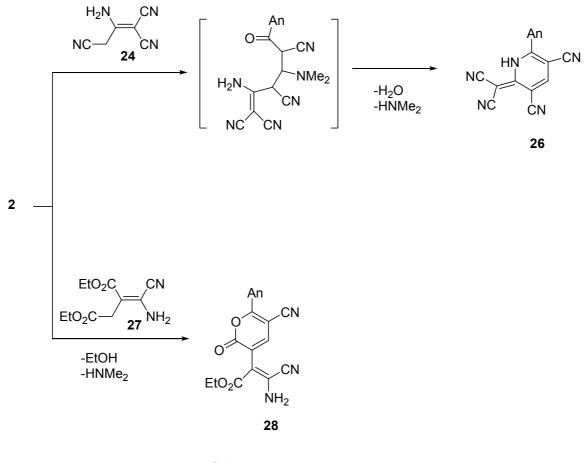
22 was established on the basis of elemental analysis and spectral data of the isolated reaction product. On the other hand, compound 2 reacted with phenylhydrazine (19b) under the same experimental conditions and afforded the pyrazolone derivative 23. Formation of compounds 22 and 23 is assumed to proceed *via* addition of the amino function in hydrazine hydrate (19a) or phenylhydrazine (19b) to the activated double bond in 2 to form the non-isolable acyclic hydrazine derivatives 20 and 21 that underwent cyclization *via* either loss of one water molecule and dimethylamine providing 22 or addition of the NH- group to the cyano function yielding 23, respectively (Scheme 3).



### Scheme 3

In addition, compound 2 was allowed to react with malononitrile dimer (24) to give the pyridine derivative 26. Compound 26 was assigned as a reaction product in accordance with elemental analysis and spectral data (*cf.* experimental). Following the same manner, compound 2 reacted with ethyl cyanoacetate dimer (27) to afford the pyrone derivative 28. Formation of the compound 28 is thought to proceed *via* initial

addition of the active methylene group in **27** to the activated double bond in **2** followed by elimination of ethanol and dimethylamine molecules producing the final isolable product **28** (Scheme 4).



Scheme 4

### **Experimental**

All melting points are uncorrected. IR spectra were recorded in KBr disks using a Shimadzu IR-740 spectrophotometer. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Ac-80 spectrometer with [<sup>2</sup>H<sub>6</sub>] DMSO as solvent and TMS as internal standard; chemical shifts are reported in  $\delta$  units (ppm). Mass spectra were measured on Gs/MS INCOS XL Finnigan MAT. Microanalysis was performed on LECOCHNS-932.

# 3-Dimethylamino-2-(1,5-dimethyl-3-oxo-2-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-pyrazole-4-carbonyl)acrylonitrile (2).

A mixture of phenazonylacetonitrile **1** (0.01 mol), xylene (10 ml) and *N*,*N*-dimethylformamide dimethylacetal (0.01 mol) was heated under reflux for 2 hours, cooled and the solid product that deposited was filtered off and recrystallized from EtOH to give **2** as yellow crystals, yield 85%, m.p. 205-207 °C. IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2202 (CN), 1700 (CO), 1639 (CO-antipyrinyl). <sup>1</sup>H NMR  $\delta_{H}$ : 3.15 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.20 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.25 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.36 (3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 7.22-7.42 (m, 5H, Ph), 7.9 (s, 1H, ylidenic H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR  $\delta_{C}$ : 187.0 (CO), 160.0 (CO-amide), 176.0, 174.0, 112.7, 91.5 (vinylic-carbons), 142.0, 129.0, 118.9, 117.2, 112.0, 112.0 (aromatic-carbons), 40.7, 40.7, 35.3, 17.3 (aliphatic-carbons). Anal.Calcd. for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (310.34). C, 65.79; H, 5.85; N, 18.05. Found: C, 65.60; H, 5.67; N, 18.23. MS: 310 *m*<sup>+</sup>/*z*.

# The preparation of compounds 5a-e.

# Method (A):

A solution of 2 (0.01 mol) in abs. ethanol (30ml) was mixed with the appropriate pyrazole derivative **3a-e** (0.01 mol) and a few drops of piperidine. The reaction mixture was heated under reflux for 3 hours, and the solvent was evaporated *in vacuo*. The remaining product was collected by filtration and recrystallized to give **5a-e**.

# Method (B):

A solution of compound **8a** (0.01 mol) in abs. ethanol (30ml) was treated with the the enamine **1** (0.01 mol). The reaction mixture was heated under reflux for 3 hours, and the solvent was evaporated *in vacuo*. The remaining product was collected by filtration and recrystallized to give **5a**.

# 7-(1,5-Dimethyl-3-oxo-2-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-pyrazol-4-yl)-2-phenyl pyrazolo[1,5-*a*]pyrimidine-6-carbonitrile (5a). Compound 5a was obtained as yellow crystals from ethanol, yield 80%, m.p. 265-267 °C. IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2229 (CN), 1656 (COantipyrinyl). <sup>1</sup>H NMR $\delta_{\text{H}}$ : 2.38 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.38 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 7.05 (s, 1H, CH), 7.39-7.94 (m, 10H, 2Ph), 8.49 (s, 1H, CH). <sup>13</sup>C NMR $\delta_{\text{c}}$ : 160.7 (CO-amide), 165.9, 161.8, 105.3 (pyrimidine-carbons), 150.4, 134.4, 103.7 (pyrazole-carbons), 154.5, 107.9 (vinyle-carbons), 118.7 (nitrile-carbon), 142.0, 136.0, 129.0, 129.0, 129.0, 129.0, 128.5,

127.0, 127.0, 118.9, 112.0, 112.0 (aromatic-carbons), 35.6, 17.4 (aliphatic-carbons). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O (406.15) C,70.92; H, 4.46; N, 20.68. Found: C, 70.60; H, 4.67; N, 20.23. MS: 406  $m^+/z$ .

**7-(1,5-Dimethyl-3-oxo-2-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-1***H***-pyrazol-4-yl)-2-methyl pyrazolo[1,5-***a***]pyrimidine-6-carbonitrile (5b). Compound 5b was obtained as yellow crystals from ethanol, yield 70%, m.p. 225-227 °C. IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2229 (CN), 1656 (CO-antipyrinyl). <sup>1</sup>H NMR \delta\_{H}: 2.36 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.51 (s, 3H,CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.33 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 6.79 (s, 1H, CH), 7.43-7.60 (m, 5H, Ph), 8.73 (s, 1H, CH). <sup>13</sup>C NMR \delta\_{c}: 161.0 (CO-amide), 166.0, 161.9, 105.5 (pyrimidine-carbons), 144.4, 135.8, 105.3 (pyrazole-carbons), 154.5, 108.0 (vinyle-carbons), 118.2 (nitrile-carbon), 142.2, 129.0, 129.0, 118.9, 112.0, 112.0 (aromatic-carbons), 35.5, 17.2, 13.9 (aliphatic-carbons). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O (344.37) C,66.27; H, 4.68; N, 24.40. Found: C, 66.60; H, 4.67; N, 24.23. MS: 344** *m***<sup>+</sup>/***z***.** 

7-(1,5-Dimethyl-3-oxo-2-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-pyrazol-4-yl)-3-bromo-2phenyl pyrazolo[1,5-*a*]pyrimidine-6-carbonitrile (5c). Compound 5c was obtained as yellow crystals from aq. ethanol, yield 63%, m.p. 185-187 °C. IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2220 (CN), 1640 (CO-antipyrinyl). <sup>1</sup>H NMR  $\delta_{H}$ : 2.39 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.39 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 7.04-7.85 (m, 10H, 2 Ph), 8.48 (s, 1H, CH). <sup>13</sup>C NMR  $\delta_{c}$ : 160.9 (CO-amide), 165.7, 161.6, 105.1 (pyrimidine-carbons), 150.7, 134.7, 90.9 (pyrazole-carbons), 154.4, 107.7 (vinylecarbons), 118.0 (nitrile-carbon), 142.3, 136.0, 129.1, 129.1, 129.1, 129.1, 128.7, 127.2, 127.2, 118.8, 112.2, 112.2 (aromatic-carbons), 35.6, 17.6 (aliphatic-carbons). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>17</sub>BrN<sub>6</sub>O (484.34) C,59.39; H, 3.53; N, 17.32. Found: C, 59.60; H, 3.67; N, 17.23. MS: 484  $m^+/z$ .

7-(1,5-Dimethyl-3-oxo-2-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-pyrazol-4-yl)-3-bromo-2methylpyrazolo[1,5-*a*]pyrimidine-6-carbonitrile (5d). Compound 5d was obtained as yellow crystals from ethanol, yield 70%, m.p.194-196 °C. IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2224 (CN), 1645 (CO-antipyrinyl). <sup>1</sup>H NMR  $\delta_{\rm H}$ : 2.39 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.57 (s, 3H,CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.39 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 7.04-7.85 (m, 5H, Ph), 8.48 (s, 1H, CH). <sup>13</sup>C NMR  $\delta_{\rm c}$ : 160.7 (CO-amide), 165.7, 161.6, 105.1 (pyrimidine-carbons), 144.7, 135.1, 92.5 (pyrazole-carbons), 154.4, 107.7 (vinylecarbons), 118.0 (nitrile-carbon), 142.2, 129.0, 129.0, 118.9, 112.0, 112.0 (aromatic-

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carbons), 35.6, 17.6, 6.1 (aliphatic-carbons). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>15</sub>BrN<sub>6</sub>O (423.27) C, 53.91; H, 3.57; N, 19.86. Found: C, 53.80; H, 3.67; N, 19.90. MS: 423 *m*<sup>+</sup>/*z*.

**2-Amino-7-(1,5-dimethyl-3-oxo-2-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-1***H***-pyrazol-4-yl)-3-(4methoxyphenylazo)-pyrazolo[1,5-***a***]pyrimidine-6-carbonitrile (5e). Compound 5e was obtained as reddish brown crystals from aq. ethanol, yield 75%, m.p. 245-247 °C. IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3411-3263 (NH<sub>2</sub>), 2219 (CN), 1656 (CO-antipyrinyl), 1616 (N=N). <sup>1</sup>H NMR) \delta\_{\rm H}: 2.35 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.32 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.80 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 7.29-7.41 (m, 10H, 2 Ph), 8.55 (s, 1H, CH). <sup>13</sup>C NMR \delta\_{\rm c}: 160.9 (CO-amide), 165.7, 161.6, 105.1 (pyrimidinecarbons), 154.1, 132.7, 91.9 (pyrazole-carbons), 154.5, 107.9 (vinyle-carbons), 118.3 (nitrile-carbon), 159.0, 142.3, 143.2, 129.0, 129.0, 123.3, 123.3, 118.9, 114.6, 114.6, 112.2, 112.2 (aromatic-carbons), 56.2, 35.5, 17.4 (aliphatic-carbons). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>9</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (479.49) C, 62.62; H, 4.41; N, 26.29. Found: C, 62.60; H, 4.67; N, 26.00. MS: 479** *m***<sup>+</sup>/***z***.** 

Reaction of 2 with 3-amino-1,2,4-triazole, 2-aminobenzimidazole, benzimidazole-2-acetonitrile, hydrazine hydrate and phenylhydrazine: Formation of compounds 10, 15, 18, 22 /and 23.

A solution of 2 (0.01 mol) and 0.01 mol of compounds 9, 12, 17, hydrazine and / or hydrazine hydrate in absolute ethanol (30 ml) containing catalytic amount of piperidine was heated under reflux for 8 hours. The reaction mixture was cooled and the solid product formed, was collected by filtration and recrystallized to give 10, 15, 16, 22 and 23, respectively.

**7-(1,5-Dimethyl-3-oxo-2-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-1***H***-pyrazol-4-yl)-1,2,4-triazolo [1,5-***a***]pyrimidine-6-carbonitrile (10). Compound 10 was obtained as yellow crystals from ethanol/DMF, yield 60%, m.p. 247-249 °C. IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2245 (CN), 1664 (CO-antipyrinyl). <sup>1</sup>H NMR) \delta\_{\rm H}: 2.56 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.26 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 7.20-7.40 (m, 5H, Ph), 8.45 (s, 1H, CH). <sup>13</sup>C NMR \delta\_{\rm C}: 165.9, 161.8, 105.3 (pyrimidine-carbons), 160.7 (CO-amide), 147.9, 147.9 (triazole-carbons), 154.5, 107.9 (vinyle-carbons), 142.2, 129.0, 129, 119.0, 112.0, 112.0 (aromatic-carbons), 118.2 (nitrile-carbons), 35.6, 17.5 (aliphatic-carbons). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>13</sub>N<sub>7</sub>O (331.33) C,61.62; H, 3.95; N, 29.59. Found: C, 61.60; H, 3.67; N, 29.40. MS: 331 m^+/z.** 

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**1-(1,5-Dimethyl-3-oxo-2-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-1***H***-pyrazol-4-yl)benzo[4,5] imidazo[1,2-***a***]<b>pyrimidine-3-carbonitrile (15).** Compound **15** was obtained as yellow crystals from ethanol, yield 80%, m.p. 223-225°C. IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2205 (CN), 1641(COantipyrinyl). <sup>1</sup>H NMR  $\delta_{\text{H}}$ : 2.56 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.26 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 7.20-7.40 (m, 9H, Ph + benzoimidazolyl H), 8.45 (s, 1H, CH). <sup>13</sup>C NMR  $\delta_{\text{C}}$ : 166.7, 161.0, 105.3 (pyrimidinecarbons), 160.8 (CO-amide), 154.5, 107.9 (vinyl-carbons), 141.5, 137.9, 137.9, 122.9, 122.9, 115.4, 115.4 (benzimdazole-carbons), 142.5, 129.1, 129, 119.5, 112.2, 112.0 (aromatic-carbons) 118.2 (nitrile-carbon), 35.4, 17.2 (aliphatic-carbons). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O (380.39) C, 69.46; H, 4.24; N, 22.09. Found: C, 69.60; H, 4.37; N, 22.00. MS: 380 *m*<sup>+</sup>/*z*.

1-(1,5-Dimethyl-3-oxo-2-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-pyrazol-4-yl)benzo[4,5] imidazo[1,2-*a*]pyridin-2,4-dicarbonitrile (18). Compound 18 was obtained as yellow crystals from ethanol, yield 72%, m.p. 273-275 °C. IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2231 (CN), 1670 (COantipyrinyl). <sup>1</sup>H NMR  $\delta_{\rm H}$ : 2.42 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.36 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 7.51-8.01 (m, 9H, arom-H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR  $\delta_{\rm C}$ : 163.5, 145.5, 109.3, 108.1 (pyridine-carbons), 160.6 (CO-amide), 154.2, 111.9 (vinyl-carbons), 141.8, 137.3, 137.3, 123.9, 123.9, 115.6, 115.6 (benzimdazole-carbons), 143.5, 129.5, 129.5, 119.4, 112.6, 112.6 (aromatic-carbons) 118.5, 118.5 (nitrile-carbons), 35.6, 17.5 (aliphatic-carbons). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O (404.42) C, 71.28; H, 3.99; N, 20.78. Found: C, 71.34; H, 3.67; N, 20.70. MS: 404 *m*<sup>+</sup>/*z*.

**1**`,**5**`-Dimethyl-3`-oxo-2`-phenyl-2`,**3**`-dihydro-2*H*,1`*H*-[**3**,**4**`]bipyrazolyl-4carbonitrile (22). Compound **22** was obtained as yellow crystals from ethanol, yield 90%, m.p. 275-278 °C. IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3300 (NH), 2189 (CN), 1652 (CO-antipyrinyl). <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ<sub>H</sub>: 2.41(s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.14 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 7.28 (s, 1H, CH), 7.29-7.45 (m, 5H, Ph), 9.12 (s, 1H, NH). <sup>13</sup>C NMR δ<sub>C</sub>: 133.3, 133.3, 104.7 (pyrazole-carbons), 160.8 (COamide), 154.5, 118.0 (vinyl-carbons), 142.5, 129.2, 129.2, 119.3, 112.1, 112.1 (aromatic-carbons), 118.0 (nitrile-carbon), 35.4, 17.3 (aliphatic-carbons). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>13</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O (279.29) C, 64.51; H, 4.69; N, 25.08. Found: C, 64.60; H, 4.63; N, 25.18. MS: 279  $m^+/z$ .

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**4-(5-Amino-1-phenyl)-1***H*-pyrazole-4-carbonyl)-1,5-dimethyl-2-phenyl-1,2dihydropyrazole-3-one (23). Compound 23 was obtained as yellow crystals from ethanol, yield 80%, m.p. 282-284 °C. IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3340-3256 (NH<sub>2</sub>), 2200 (CN), 1650 (CO-antipyrinyl). <sup>1</sup>H NMR  $\delta_{\text{H}}$ : 2.31(s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.24 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 5.63 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 6.32 (s, 1H, CH), 6.66-7.45 (m, 10H, 2Ph). <sup>13</sup>C NMR  $\delta_{\text{C}}$ : 147.0, 139.0, 94.0 (pyrazolecarbons), 187.1 (CO), 160.8 (CO-amide), 166.5, 105.4 (vinyl-carbons), 142.5, 142.5, 139.7, 129.2, 129.2, 129.0, 129.0, 126.0, 118.3, 118.3, 112.0, 112.0 (aromatic-carbons), 35.5, 17.3 (aliphatic-carbons). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (373.40) C, 67.55; H, 5.13; N, 18.76. Found: C, 67.60; H, 5.23; N, 18.20. MS: 373  $m^+/z$ .

# Reaction of 2 with malononitrile dimer and ethyl cyanoacetate dimer: Formation of compounds 26 / and 28.

A solution of compound **2** (0.01 mol) and (0.01 mol) of malononitrile dimer or ethyl cyanoacetate dimer in dry pyridine (30 ml) was heated under reflux for 8 hours. The solvent was evaporated *in vacuo* and the product that deposited after cooling was collected by filtration and identified as **26** and **28** respectively.

**2-Dicyanomethylene-6-(1,5-dimethyl-3-oxo-2-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-1***H***pyrazol-4-yl)-1,2-dihydropyridine-3,5-dicarbonitrile (26).** Compound **26** was obtained as brown crystals from aq. ethanol, yield 60%, m.p. 220-222 °C. IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3300 (NH), 2192-2164 (CN), 1630 (CO-antipyrinyl). <sup>1</sup>H NMR  $\delta_{\rm H}$ : 2.52 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.30 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 7.19-7.46 (m, 6H, Ph and NH), 7.70 (s, 1H,CH). <sup>13</sup>C NMR  $\delta_{\rm C}$ : 175.7, 154.2, 152.5, 144.1, 112.8, 109.0, 82.8, 52.1 (vinyl-carbons), 160.7 (CO-amide), 142.5, 129.2, 129.2, 119.3, 112.1, 112.1 (aromatic-carbons), 117.5, 117.5, 117.5, 117.5 (nitrile-carbons), 35.5, 17.3 (aliphatic-carbons). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>13</sub>N<sub>7</sub>O (379.36) C, 66.48; H, 3.45; N, 25.84. Found: C, 66.60; H, 3.22; N, 25.26. MS: 379 m<sup>+</sup>/z.

**3-Amino-3-cyano-2-[5-cyano-6-(1,5-dimethyl-3-oxo-2-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-1***H***-pyrazol-4-yl)-2-oxo-2H-pyran-3-yl]acrylicacidethylester (28).** Compound **28** was obtained as yellow crystals from ethanol, yield 75%, m.p. 192-194 °C. IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3300-3228 (NH<sub>2</sub>), 2208 (CN), 1630 (CO-antipyrinyl). <sup>1</sup>H NMR  $\delta_{\text{H}}$ : 1.3 (t, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.52 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.00 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 3.30 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.19 (q, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.71-7.25 (m, 6H, Ph and CH-4). <sup>13</sup>C NMR ([<sup>2</sup>H<sub>6</sub>] DMSO)  $\delta_{\text{C}}$ : 162.5, 152.5, 139.7, 134.5, 128.4, 127.2, 109.3, 85.1 (vinyl-carbons), 165.2, 161.2 (CO-carbons), 160.7 (CO-amide), 142.5, 129.2, 129.2, 119.3, 112.1, 112.1 (aromatic-carbons), 117.2, 117.2 (nitrile-carbons), 60.0, 35.5, 17.3, 13.7 (aliphatic-carbons). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>5</sub> (445.43) C, 62.02; H, 4.30; N, 15.72. Found: C, 62.00; H, 4.13; N, 15.66. MS: 445 *m*<sup>+</sup>/*z*.

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#### Povzetek

Sintetizirali smo nove derivate pirazolo[1,5-*a*]pirimidina, 1,2,4-triazolo[1,5-*a*]pirimidina in benzo[4,5]imidazo[1,2-*a*]pirimidina iz ustrezno substituiranih pirazolov, triazolov oziroma iz 2-aminobenzimidazola.

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