

1-Phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidines as Adenosine Antagonists: the Effects of Substituents at C4 and C6

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Abstract—Forty-two 1-phenyl-pyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidines substituted at C6 with thioethers containing distal amide substituents and substituted at C4 with thiol, thiomethyl or amino were synthesized and tested for adenosine A₁ and A_{2a} receptor binding. Compared with a thiol at C4, both *S*-methylation and conversion to an amino resulted in increased affinity at both receptors with the C4 amino compounds having the highest affinity. The C-4 region of the receptor consists of an alkyl pocket containing a hydrogen-bonding site. The study established that for high affinity at both the A₁ and A_{2a} adenosine receptors the distal amide should be separated from the C6 thiol by only one carbon. In this study, 2'-(4-amino-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-*N*-ethyl-ethanamide (**4b**) had the highest affinity at the A₁ receptor with a K_i of 12.1 nM while 2'-(4-amino-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)ethanamide (**4a**) had the highest affinity at the A_{2a} receptor with a K_i of 44.9 nM. © 1997, Elsevier Science Ltd. All rights reserved.

Introduction

Adenosine and many of its analogues exert physiological responses via G protein-coupled receptors, consisting of seven transmembrane helices.^{1,2} Adenosine receptors can act through effectors other than adenylate cyclase, including potassium channels, calcium channels, phospholipase A₂ or C and guanylate cyclase. There are four major subtypes of adenosine receptors, A₁, A_{2a}, A_{2b}, A₃. Pyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidines were originally identified as adenosine A₁ antagonists during a study of a large number of nitrogen heterocycles related to caffeine and theophylline. 4,6-Bis- α -carbamoylthio-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidine (**1**) was the most active in the series with a K_i of 370 ± 60 nM at the A₁ receptor.^{3,4} Figure 1 gives the structure of **1** and related compounds discussed below.

α -(1-Phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-4-ylthio)propanamide (**2**), containing the thiopropanamide substituent at C4, had reduced affinity at the adenosine A₁ receptors, while α -(4-mercapto-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)propanamide (**3**), containing the thiopropanamide substituent at C6, maintained similar affinity at the adenosine A₁ receptor as compound (**1**).⁵ It is evident that the amide side chain at C4 is not required for binding while the amide side chain at C6 is required for binding at the adenosine receptors.⁵

We have recently reported the synthesis and receptor binding at A₁ and A_{2a} receptors of 4-amino-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidines (**4a–d**) substituted at C6 with thioethers containing distal amide substituents.⁶ The compounds **4a** and **b** had increased A₁ affinity compared with **1** while **4a** also had increased, A_{2a} affinity. Compounds **4b** and **4c** had approximately the same affinity as **1** to A_{2a}. The most selective 1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidine for the A₁ receptor was

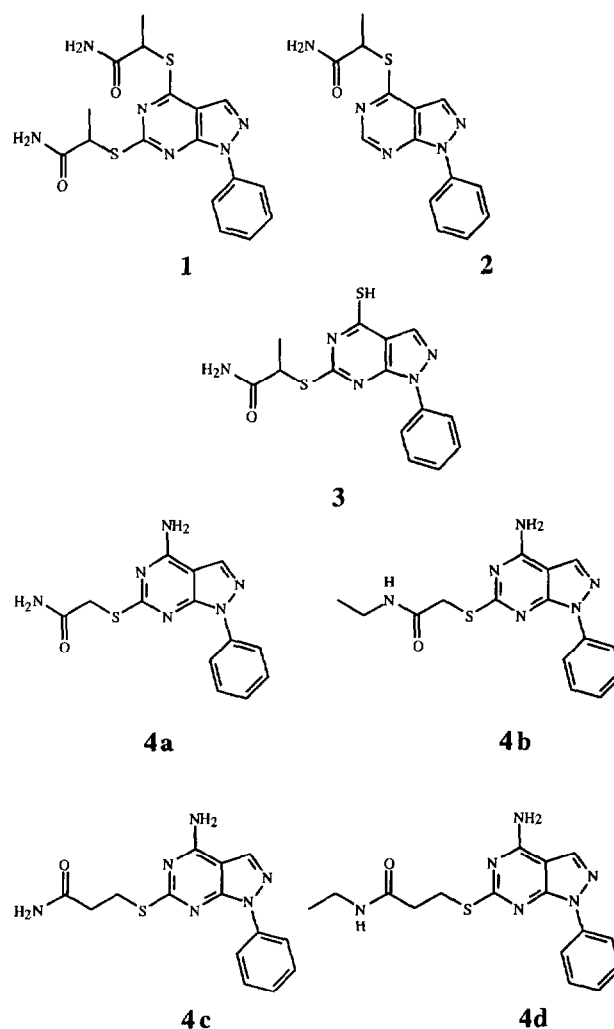


Figure 1.

2'-(4-amino-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-*N*-ethyl-ethanamide (**4b**) with a K_i A_1 of 12.1 ± 4.5 nM and a K_i A_{2a} of 131 ± 36 nM and is a modest 10.8 times more selective for this receptor. The most active and selective pyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidine for the A_{2a} receptor was 3'-(4-amino-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)propanamide (**4c**) with a K_i A_1 of 428 ± 25 nM and a K_i A_{2a} of 101 ± 26 and is a modest 4.2 times more selective for this receptor. Comparing **4b** and **4c** there was a 45-fold alteration in selectivity from 10.8-fold A_1 selective to 4.2-fold A_{2a} selective. This was gained mainly by decreased A_1 affinity (12.1 nM to 428 nM) while A_{2a} affinity remained relatively unaffected (131 and 101 nM). In both cases *N*-ethyl substitution reduced A_{2a} affinity (44.9 to 131 nM for **4a/b**, 101 to 1280 nM for **4c/d**). In contrast *N*-ethyl substitution had little effect at the A_1 receptor (28.5 and 12.1 nM for **4a/b**, 428 and 551 nM for **4c/d**). An increase in the methylene bridge by one carbon resulted in slightly greater decreases in potency at the A_1 receptor (28.5 to 428 nM for **4a/c**, 12.1 to 551 nM for **4b/d**) compared with the A_{2a} receptor (44.9 to 101 nM for **4a/c**, 131 to 1280 nM for **4b/d**). The A_{2a} receptor had less tolerance for bulky substituents at C6 as all such changes decreased affinity. The A_1 receptor was more sensitive to the methylene bridge alteration.

We have studied the effect of thiol and thiomethyl at C4 compared with amino and the effect of increasing the chain length between sulfur and the amide functionality at C6 for the three C4 substituents, thiol, thiomethyl and amino.

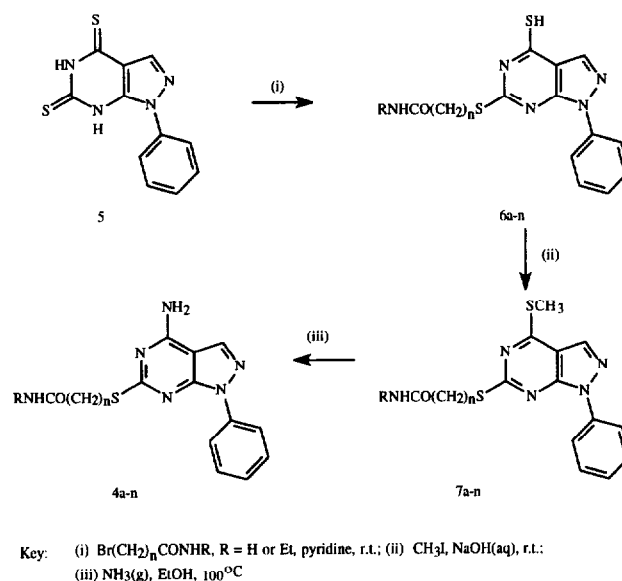
Results

1-Phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidine-4,6(5*H*,7*H*)-dithione (**5**) was monoalkylated with the corresponding bromo amide or the bromo *N*-ethylamide in pyridine (apart from the use of 5-chloropentanamide and 5-chloro-*N*-ethylpentanamide) to give the C6 thiol alkylated with distal amides or *N*-ethylamides (**6a–n**).⁵ The corresponding C4 thiomethyl compounds (**7a–n**) were synthesized from compounds (**6a–n**) via methylation with iodomethane in aqueous sodium hydroxide.

Aminolysis, using ammonia in ethanol at 100 °C for 72 h, of compounds **7a–n** gave the C4 amino compounds **4a–n**. The general synthetic scheme is outlined in Scheme 1.

¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of compounds **6a–n**, **7a–n** and **4a–n** were assigned with the aid of 2-D NMR sequences COSY, correlation spectroscopy,⁷ and HMQC, heteronuclear multiple quantum coherence,⁸ on one compound in each chain length series, namely **4h**, **4i**, **6k**, and **6n** as in Table 1.

The potency of the pyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidines at the A_1 and A_{2a} receptors were determined by standard radioligand binding procedures.^{9–11} Compounds were first screened at 1 μM to determine the percentage inhibition of the compound at this concentration at both receptors. Compounds whose inhibition of ³H-PIA and ³H-CGS21680 was greater than 50% were further tested and the IC₅₀s and corresponding K_i s were determined using the experimentally obtained K_d of ³H-PIA and ³H-CGS21680 of 2.35 nM and 14.9 nM,



Scheme 1. Synthesis of the compounds.

Table 1. Assignment of compounds **4h**, **4i**, **6k** and **6n** using the 2-D NMR sequences, COSY and HMQC

Compound	Assigned protons and carbons of chain using HMQC, and COSY where required. δ (ppm)										
	C_2H_2	C_3H_2	C_4H_2	C_5H_2	C_6H_2	C_7H_2	C_8H_2	C_9H_2	C_{10}H_2	C_{11}H_2	C_{12}H_2
4h	2.08	1.68	1.68	3.05							
$\text{S}(\text{CH}_2)_4\text{CONHEt}$	35.0	24.8	29.0	29.8							
4i	2.03	1.52	1.41	1.71	3.07						
$\text{S}(\text{CH}_2)_5\text{CONH}_2$	35.1	24.8	28.4	29.3	30.0						
6k	2.01	1.45	1.24	1.37	1.42	1.70	3.17				
$\text{S}(\text{CH}_2)_7\text{CONH}_2$	35.1	25.1	28.4	28.5	28.7	28.9	30.4				
6n	2.06	1.49	1.28	1.28	1.28	1.28	1.28	1.28	1.35	1.76	3.18
$\text{S}(\text{CH}_2)_{11}\text{CONHEt}$	35.4	25.2	28.4"	28.4"	28.4"	28.4"	28.4"	28.4"	28.7	28.8	30.3
			28.6	28.6	28.6	28.6	28.6	28.6			

"Interchangeable ¹³C assignments.

respectively, using the Cheng–Prusoff equation.¹² The IC₅₀'s were determined by competitive binding against ³H-PIA using rat brain membranes for A₁ receptors¹¹ and against ³H-CGS21680 using rat striatum membranes for A_{2a} receptors.¹⁰ Table 2 shows the binding results of the compounds.

At both the A₁ and A_{2a} receptors, the C4 thiol compounds had the least affinity for the same C6 substituent. At both the A₁ and A_{2a} receptors the introduction of a methyl group on sulfur in the C4 position resulted in increased affinity of between 51-fold (**6d** K_i 47000 nM; **7d** K_i 920 nM at A₁) and 6.4-fold (**6c** K_i 15300 nM; **7c** K_i 2390 nM at A₁). The most potent *S*-methyl compound at the A₁ receptor was **7a** with a K_i of 52 nM while **7a** was also the most potent *S*-methyl compound at the A_{2a} receptor with a K_i of 443 nM

The conversion of the *S*-methyl to an amino group in the C4 position resulted in increased affinity in all cases. The largest increase in affinity was 12.1-fold (**7b** K_i 146 nM; **4b** K_i 12 nM at A₁) and the least 1.7-fold (**6d** K_i 920 nM; **4d** 551 nM at A₁). The most potent amino compound at the A₁ receptor was **4b** with a K_i of 12.1 nM while the most potent amino compound at the A_{2a} receptor was **4a** with a K_i of 44.9 nM. A significantly greater increase in affinity was achieved with the change from thiol to amino. The largest increase in affinity was 411-fold (**6b** K_i 4940 nM; **4b** K_i 12 nM at A₁) and the least 36-fold (**6c** K_i 15300 nM; **4c** 428 nM at A₁).

The most potent compounds at both A₁ and A_{2a} receptors were those with one methylene (Scheme 1, *n*=1) between the thiol and the distal amide or *N*-ethyl amide at C6. This was observed in all three series of C4 substituents thiol (**6a–n**), thiomethyl (**7a–n**) and amino (**4a–n**). Increasing the length of the methylene bridge to *n*=4 and beyond resulted in decreased affinity at both receptors. The compounds with *n*=2 and 3 were less potent than the *n*=1 compounds, but in some cases the *n*=3 compounds were more potent than the *n*=2 compounds.

The previously reported compound **4b** had the highest affinity at the A₁ receptor while **4a**, also previously reported, had the highest affinity at the A_{2a} receptor. The 10.8-fold A₁ selectivity of **4b** and the 4.2-fold A_{2a} selectivity of **4c** were not improved upon in this study.

Discussion

There was an increase in affinity at both receptors proceeding from thiol to thiomethyl to amino at C4 for the same substituent at C6. The observed increased affinity of the C4 *S*-methyl compounds indicates an alkyl binding pocket. Both receptors appear to have an alkyl pocket in this region. The observed increased affinity of the C4 amino compounds for the same substituents at C6 indicates a hydrogen-binding site located near the C4 position of 1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidines.

Increasing the chain length between sulfur and the amide functionality at C6 decreased affinity at both the A₁ and A_{2a} receptors. With the C6 amino series, the amide (**4a**, Scheme 1, *n*=1) and the corresponding *N*-ethyl amide (**4b**, Scheme 1, *n*=1) were the most potent compounds with affinity in the nanomolar range. These compounds have solubility in water producing 270 μM (hot) and 38 μM (rt) solutions for **4a** and 91 μM (hot) and 13 μM (rt) solutions for **4b**. The amide (**4a**) was non-selective with K_i of 28.5 nM and 44.9 nM at the A₁ and A_{2a} receptors, respectively. The corresponding *N*-ethyl compound (**4b**) was 10.8-fold A₁ selective with a K_i of 12.1 and 131 nM at the A₁ and A_{2a} receptors, respectively. With the C6 thiomethyl series, the amide (**7a**) had a K_i of 52 and 443 nM at the A₁ and A_{2a} receptors respectively and the corresponding *N*-ethyl compound (**7b**) had a K_i of 146 and 712 nM at the A₁ and A_{2a} receptors respectively. With the C6 thiol series, the amide (**6a**) had a K_i of 2070 and 4010 nM at the A₁ and A_{2a} receptors, respectively, and the corresponding *N*-ethyl compound (**6b**) had a K_i of 4940 and 5290 nM at the A₁ and A_{2a} receptors, respectively.

While not identifying any compounds with higher potency or selectivity than previously reported, this study has revealed that C4 substituents in 1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidines can alter A₁ and A_{2a} adenosine receptor affinity by interacting with alkyl pockets and hydrogen bonding sites in those regions of the two types of receptors. This study also established that for high affinity at both A₁ and A_{2a} adenosine receptors the distal amide should be separated from the C6 thiol by only one carbon.

Experimental

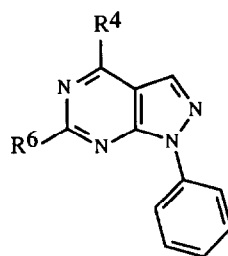
Melting points were determined on a Gallenkamp melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were obtained on Bruker WM-250, Bruker CXP 300 and Varian Gemini-200. The type of carbon atom was assigned by using the DEPT pulse sequence obtained on a Varian Gemini-200; q=methyl, t=methylene, d=methine, and s=quaternary. COSYs and HMQCs were run on a Varian Unity 400 MHz instrument. Unless otherwise stated, DMSO-*d*₆ was used as a solvent and the solvent peak was used as the internal standard. IR spectra were recorded as KBr discs on a Jasco IR-810 or Perkin–Elmer FTIR 1700 spectrometers. Starting materials were obtained from Aldrich Pty Ltd. Ethanol was dried by reflux and distillation over magnesium turnings and a catalytic amount of iodine and was stored over 3 Å molecular sieves. Pyridine was dried by reflux and distilled from potassium hydroxide and stored over 4 Å molecular sieves. DMF was dried over BaO. Hexane was distilled prior to use.

Compounds **6k–n**, **7k–n** and **4k–n** had a small contamination of 1,3-dicyclohexylurea (DHU) which could not be removed by recrystallization. The compounds were not soluble in the eluting solvent

(1:1; hexane:ethyl acetate) and were applied by dissolving in ethyl acetate and the solution reduced in

volume with silica gel (3 g/0.5 g of compound). The dried silica gel/compound was purified by eluting over

Table 2. Binding results of compounds **4**, **6** and **7**



	R ⁴	R ⁶	R- ³ H-N ⁶ -PIA		³ H-CGS21680		A _{2a} K _i /A ₁ K _i
			A ₁ K _i (nM) ^a	% inhibition ^b	A _{2a} K _i (nM) ^c	% inhibition ^d	
6a	SH	SCH ₂ CONH ₂	2070 ± 210		4010 ± 510		1.9
6b	SH	SCH ₂ CONHEt	4940 ± 1500		5290 ± 940		1.1
6c	SH	S(CH ₂) ₂ CONH ₂	15 300 ± 2500		> 10 000 ^e		
6d	SH	S(CH ₂) ₂ CONHEt	47 000 ± 3200		> 10 000 ^e		
6e	SH	S(CH ₂) ₃ CONH ₂	1960 ± 550		> 1000 ^e		
6f	SH	S(CH ₂) ₃ CONHEt	18 400 ± 2800		> 10 000 ^e		
6g	SH	S(CH ₂) ₄ CONH ₂		0		20	
6h	SH	S(CH ₂) ₄ CONHEt		0		0	
6i	SH	S(CH ₂) ₅ CONH ₂		0		0	
6j	SH	S(CH ₂) ₅ CONHEt		0		0	
6k	SH	S(CH ₂) ₆ CONH ₂		0		0	
6l	SH	S(CH ₂) ₆ CONHEt		0		4	
6m	SH	S(CH ₂) ₁₁ CONH ₂		0		0	
6n	SH	S(CH ₂) ₁₁ CONHEt		0		3	
7a	SCH ₃	SCH ₂ CONH ₂	52.0 ± 7.8		443 ± 85		8.5
7b	SCH ₃	SCH ₂ CONHEt	146 ± 29		712 ± 110		4.9
7c	SCH ₃	S(CH ₂) ₂ CONH ₂	2390 ± 690		> 1000 ^e		
7d	SCH ₃	S(CH ₂) ₂ CONHEt	920 ± 280		> 1000 ^e		
7e	SCH ₃	S(CH ₂) ₃ CONH ₂		22		15	
7f	SCH ₃	S(CH ₂) ₃ CONHEt		15		18	
7g	SCH ₃	S(CH ₂) ₄ CONH ₂		0		0	
7h	SCH ₃	S(CH ₂) ₄ CONHEt		5		15	
7i	SCH ₃	S(CH ₂) ₅ CONH ₂		0		0	
7j	SCH ₃	S(CH ₂) ₅ CONHEt		3		13	
7k	SCH ₃	S(CH ₂) ₆ CONH ₂		11		3	
7l	SCH ₃	S(CH ₂) ₆ CONHEt		0		10	
7m	SCH ₃	S(CH ₂) ₁₁ CONH ₂		0		0	
7n	SCH ₃	S(CH ₂) ₁₁ CONHEt		0		16	
4a	NH ₂	SCH ₂ CONH ₂	28.5 ± 4.7		44.9 ± 17.2		1.6
4b	NH ₂	SCH ₂ CONHEt	12.1 ± 4.5		131 ± 36		10.8
4c	NH ₂	S(CH ₂) ₂ CONH ₂	428 ± 25		101 ± 26		0.24
4d	NH ₂	S(CH ₂) ₂ CONHEt	551 ± 81		1280 ± 170		2.3
4e	NH ₂	S(CH ₂) ₃ CONH ₂	311 ± 34		319 ± 81		1.0
4f	NH ₂	S(CH ₂) ₃ CONHEt	1220 ± 330		535 ± 74		0.44
4g	NH ₂	S(CH ₂) ₄ CONH ₂	3070 ± 820		1500 ± 480		0.49
4h	NH ₂	S(CH ₂) ₄ CONHEt	1080 ± 310		906 ± 250		0.84
4i	NH ₂	S(CH ₂) ₅ CONH ₂		23		20	
4j	NH ₂	S(CH ₂) ₅ CONHEt		12		22	
4k	NH ₂	S(CH ₂) ₆ CONH ₂		17		31	
4l	NH ₂	S(CH ₂) ₆ CONHEt		5		14	
4m	NH ₂	S(CH ₂) ₁₁ CONH ₂		0		0	
4n	NH ₂	S(CH ₂) ₁₁ CONHEt		0		7	

^aAll A₁ binding results used ³H-PIA as the competitive ligand in whole rat brain. Data was the average of two independent experiments in duplicate. K_i values were obtained from the K_d of PIA and was 2.35 nM.

^bA₁% inhibition of drug at a concentration of 1 μM.

^cAll A₂ binding results used ³H-CGS21680 as the competitive ligand in rat striata. Data was the average of two independent experiments in duplicate. K_i values were obtained from the K_d of CGS21680 and was 14.9 nM.

^dA₂% inhibition of drug at a concentration of 1 μM.

^eThe lack of solubility of the compounds around the IC₅₀ resulted in obtaining inaccurate values.

silica gel, Merck (60 g/0.5 g; 4 cm thick column, Aldrich Cat. No. 22,719-6; grade 60, 230-400 mesh, 60 Å) with ethyl acetate and hexane (1:1) to remove DHU ($R_f=0.3$; viewed only when concentrated with pure DHU and by using KMnO_4 spray) and then the solvent polarity increased to ethyl acetate (100%) to elute the compounds. Some compounds containing the amine group on C4 also were purified in this way to remove small amounts of the thiomethyl compounds. R_f values and solvent systems are indicated in those cases in which chromatographic purification was undertaken.

The starting compounds, (ethoxymethylene)malononitrile, 1-phenyl-5-amino-4-cyanopyrazole, and 1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidine-4,6(5*H*,7*H*)-dithione (**5**) were prepared following known methods.⁵

Straight-chain bromo acid chlorides (apart from the use of 5-chloropentoyl chloride) were converted to the corresponding amide and *N*-ethyl amide by reaction with ammonia or ethylamine respectively. For the longer amide side chains of compounds (**6k-n**), the corresponding bromo acids were treated with dicyclohexylcarbodiimide followed by bubbling ammonia or ethylamine through the reaction mixture at room temperature.

2'-(4-Mercapto-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)amides (6). The following general procedure was used apart from a variation in work-up for the synthesis of **6g-n** in which cases the pyridine was removed *in vacuo* and ethyl acetate added to give a yellow solid. 2-Bromoethanamide (0.5 mmol) was added to a solution of 1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidine-4,6(5*H*,7*H*)-dithione (**5**, 0.75 mmol) in pyridine (45 mL). The solution was stirred at room temperature for 3 h. Treatment with ethyl acetate resulted in precipitation of a white solid which was recrystallized from DMSO and water to give 2'-(4-mercapto-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)ethanamide (**6a**): Yield 84%; mp dec 249-251 °C; ^1H NMR (250.12 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 3.92 (t, 2H, SCH_2), 7.34-8.07 (m, 6H, 5CH_{arom} , 1NH), 7.65 (br s, 1H, NH), 8.46 (s, 1H, H_3), 14.14 (br s, 1H, $\text{N}_5\text{HC}_4=\text{S}$); ^{13}C NMR (62.8 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 34.2 (t, SC_2H_2), 116.4 (s, C_{3a}), 121.0 (d, $\text{C}_{2'}$, $\text{C}_{6'}$), 126.9 (s, $\text{C}_{4'}$), 129.4 (d, $\text{C}_{3'}$, $\text{C}_{5'}$), 138.1 (s, d, C_1 , C_3), 146.6 (s, C_{7a}), 160.8 (s, C_6), 166.4 (s, $\text{C}=\text{O}$), 180.1 (s, C_4); IR (KBr disc): ν_{max} 3400, NH; 3200, NH; 1640 cm^{-1} , $\text{C}=\text{O}$; Anal. calcd for $(\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{11}\text{N}_5\text{OS}_2)$: C, 49.2; H, 3.5; N, 22.1. Found: C, 49.0; H, 3.7; N, 22.0%.

2'-(4-Mercapto-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-*N*-ethyl-ethanamide (6b). Yield 80%; mp dec 260-265 °C; ^1H NMR (250.12 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 0.92 (t, 3H, $J=7.2$ Hz, CH_2CH_3), 3.02 (m, 2H, $J=7.2$ Hz, 5.5 Hz, CH_2CH_3), 3.95 (s, 2H, SCH_2), 7.35-8.05 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 8.21 (br t, 1H, $J=5.5$ Hz, CONH), 8.33 (s, 1H, H_3), 14.16 (br s, 1H, $\text{N}_5\text{HC}_4=\text{S}$); ^{13}C NMR (62.8 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 14.3 (q, CH_2CH_3), 33.9 (s, CH_2CH_3), 34.2 (t, SC_2H_2), 116.3 (s, C_{3a}), 121.1 (d, $\text{C}_{2'}$, $\text{C}_{6'}$), 127.0 (s, $\text{C}_{4'}$), 129.3 (d, $\text{C}_{3'}$, $\text{C}_{5'}$), 138.1 (s, d, C_1 , C_3), 146.6 (s, C_{7a}), 160.5 (s, C_6), 169.8 (s, $\text{C}=\text{O}$), 180.7 (s, C_4); IR

(KBr disc): ν_{max} 3300, NH; 1650, cm^{-1} , $\text{C}=\text{O}$; Anal. calcd for $(\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_5\text{OS}_2)$: C, 65.4; H, 5.5; N, 25.4. Found: C, 65.3; H, 5.9; N, 25.7%.

3'-(4-Mercapto-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)propanamide (6c). Yield 68%; mp dec 228-232 °C; ^1H NMR (250.12 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 2.66 (t, 2H, $J=6.8$ Hz, CH_2), 3.39 (t, 2H, $J=6.8$ Hz, SCH_2), 7.03 (br s 1H, NH), 7.37-8.12 (m, 6H, 5CH_{arom} , 1NH), 8.35 (s, 1H, H_3), 14.0 (br s, 1H, $\text{N}_5\text{HC}_4=\text{S}$); ^{13}C NMR (62.8 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 26.2 (q, SC_3H_2), 34.0 (t, C_2H_2), 116.3 (s, C_{3a}), 121.1 (d, $\text{C}_{2'}$, $\text{C}_{6'}$), 127.0 (s, $\text{C}_{4'}$), 129.3 (d, $\text{C}_{3'}$, $\text{C}_{5'}$), 138.1 (s, d, C_1 , C_3), 146.6 (s, C_{7a}), 160.8 (s, C_6), 172.2 (s, $\text{C}=\text{O}$), 180.2 (s, C_4); IR (KBr disc): ν_{max} 3425, NH; 3200, NH; 3125, NH; 1660, $\text{C}=\text{O}$, 1600 cm^{-1} , $\text{C}-\text{C}$; Anal. calcd for $(\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{13}\text{N}_5\text{OS}_2 \cdot 0.5\text{DMSO})$: C, 48.6; H, 4.4; N, 18.9. Found: C, 48.9; H, 4.2; N, 19.2%.

3'-(4-Mercapto-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-*N*-ethyl-propanamide (6d). Yield 70%; mp dec 229-233 °C; ^1H NMR (250.12 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 1.01 (t, 3H, $J=7.2$ Hz, CH_2CH_3), 2.63 (t, 2H, $J=6.8$ Hz, CH_2), 3.09 (m, 2H, $J=7.2$ Hz, 5.7 Hz, CH_2CH_3), 3.39 (t, 2H, $J=6.8$ Hz, SCH_2), 7.40-8.11 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 7.90 (br t, 1H, $J=5.1$ Hz, 5.5 Hz, NH), 8.35 (s, 1H, H_3), 14.03 (br s, 1H, $\text{N}_5\text{HC}_4=\text{S}$); ^{13}C NMR (62.8 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 14.5 (q, CH_2CH_3), 26.4 (t, SC_3H_2), 33.3 (t, CH_2CH_3), 34.2 (t, C_2H_2), 116.3 (s, C_{3a}), 121.1 (d, $\text{C}_{2'}$, $\text{C}_{6'}$), 127.0 (s, $\text{C}_{4'}$), 129.3 (d, $\text{C}_{3'}$, $\text{C}_{5'}$), 138.0 (s, C_1), 138.1 (d, C_3), 146.5 (s, C_{7a}), 160.7 (s, C_6), 169.9 (s, $\text{C}=\text{O}$), 180.2 (s, C_4); IR (KBr disc): ν_{max} 3325, NH; 1640 cm^{-1} , $\text{C}=\text{O}$; Anal. calcd for $(\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_5\text{OS}_2)$: C, 53.5; H, 4.8; N, 19.5. Found: C, 53.7; H, 4.8; N, 19.6%.

4'-(4-Mercapto-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)butanamide (6e). Yield 78%; mp dec 229-230.5 °C; ^1H NMR (250.12 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 1.96 (m, 2H, $J=7.3$ Hz, $\text{C}_3'\text{H}_2$), 2.21 (t, 2H, $J=7.3$ Hz, C_2H_2), 3.19 (t, 2H, $J=7.3$ Hz, SCH_2), 6.81 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.35-8.07 (m, 6H, 5CH_{arom} , 1NH), 8.30 (s, 1H, H_3), 14.04 (br s, 1H, $\text{N}_5\text{HC}_4=\text{S}$); ^{13}C NMR (62.8 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 24.4 (t, C_3H_2), 30.0 (t, SC_2H_2), 33.8 (t, C_2H_2), 116.3 (s, C_{3a}), 121.1 (d, $\text{C}_{2'}$, $\text{C}_{6'}$), 127.0 (s, $\text{C}_{4'}$), 129.3 (d, $\text{C}_{3'}$, $\text{C}_{5'}$), 138.0 (s, C_1), 138.1 (d, C_3), 146.6 (s, C_{7a}), 160.8 (s, C_6), 173.4 (s, $\text{C}=\text{O}$), 180.2 (s, C_4); IR (KBr disc): ν_{max} 3430, NH; 3240, NH; 1670 cm^{-1} , $\text{C}=\text{O}$. Anal. calcd for $(\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_5\text{OS}_2)$: C, 52.2; H, 4.4; N, 20.3. Found: C, 52.1; H, 4.5; N, 20.0%.

4'-(4-Mercapto-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-*N*-ethylbutanamide (6f). Yield 72%; mp decomp. 238.5-243 °C; ^1H NMR (250.12 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 0.96 (t, 3H, $J=7.2$ Hz, CH_2CH_3), 1.99 (quintet, 2H, $J=6.7$, 7.2 Hz, C_3H_2), 2.21 (t, 2H, $J=7.3$, 7.4 Hz, C_2H_2), 3.03 (m, 2H, $J=5.5$, 7.2 Hz, CH_2CH_3), 3.18 (t, 2H, $J=6.81$, 7.5 Hz, SCH_2), 7.33-8.06 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 7.84 (br t, 1H, CONH), 8.30 (s, 1H, H_3), 14.04 (br s, 1H, $\text{N}_5\text{HC}_4=\text{S}$); ^{13}C NMR (62.8 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 14.6 (q, CH_2CH_3), 24.6 (t, C_3H_2), 30.0 (t, SC_2H_2), 33.2 (t, CH_2CH_3), 34.1 (t, C_2H_2), 116.3 (s, C_{3a}), 121.1 (d, $\text{C}_{2'}$, $\text{C}_{6'}$), 127.0 (s, $\text{C}_{4'}$), 129.2 (d, $\text{C}_{3'}$, $\text{C}_{5'}$),

138.1 (s, d, C_{1'}, C₃), 146.6 (s, C_{7a}), 160.8 (s, C₆), 170.8 (s, C=O), 180.2 (s, C₄); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3330, NH; 3120, NH; 1640 cm⁻¹, C=O; Anal. calcd for (C₁₇H₁₉N₅OS₂): C, 54.7; H, 5.1; N, 18.8; Found: C, 55.0; H, 5.3; N, 18.5%.

5'-(4-Mercapto-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-d]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)pentanamide (6g). Yield 76%; mp dec 200.5–202.5 °C; ¹H NMR (250.12 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 1.70 (m, 4H, *J*=7.3 Hz, 7.0 Hz, 2 × CH₂), 2.11 (t, 2H, *J*=6.9 Hz, C₂H₂), 3.20 (t, 2H, *J*=7.0 Hz, SCH₂), 6.77 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.29 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.38–8.08 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 8.34 (s, 1H, H₃), 14.4 (br s, 1H, N₅HC₄=S); ¹³C NMR (62.8 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 24.4 (t, C₃H₂), 28.3 (t, C₄H₂), 30.0 (t, SC₅H₂), 34.5 (t, C₂H₂), 116.2 (s, C_{3a}), 121.2 (d, C_{2'}, C_{6'}), 127.1 (s, C_{4'}), 129.3 (d, C_{3'}, C_{5'}), 138.0 (s, C_{1'}), 138.1 (d, C₃), 146.6 (s, C_{7a}), 160.9 (s, C₆), 174.1 (s, C=O), 180.2 (s, C₄); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3375, NH; 3300, NH; 3175, NH; 1660 cm⁻¹, C=O. Anal. calcd for (C₁₆H₁₇N₅OS₂): C, 53.5; H, 4.8; N, 19.5. Found: C, 53.7; H, 4.8; N, 19.4%.

5'-(4-Mercapto-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-d]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-N-ethylpentanamide (6h). Yield 53%; mp 193–195 °C; ¹H NMR (250.12 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 0.96 (t, 3H, *J*=7.2 Hz, CH₂CH₃), 1.65 (m, 4H, 2 × CH₂), 2.07 (t, 2H, *J*=6.9 Hz, C₂H₂), 3.02 (m, 2H, *J*=7.2 Hz, 5.5 Hz, CH₂CH₃), 3.16 (t, 2H, *J*=6.9 Hz, SCH₂), 7.37–8.04 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 7.76 (br t, 1H, *J*=5.1 Hz, 5.5 Hz, NH), 8.31 (s, 1H, H₃), 14.03 (br s, 1H, N₅HC₄=S); ¹³C NMR (62.8 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 14.6 (q, CH₂CH₃), 24.6 (t, C₃H₂), 28.8 (t, C₄H₂), 30.0 (t, SC₅H₂), 33.1 (t, CH₂CH₃), 34.8 (t, C₂H₂), 116.2 (s, C_{3a}), 121.2 (d, C_{2'}, C_{6'}), 127.1 (s, C_{4'}), 129.2 (d, C_{3'}, C_{5'}), 138.0 (s, C_{1'}), 138.1 (d, C₃), 146.6 (s, C_{7a}), 160.9 (s, C₆), 171.5 (s, C=O), 180.2 (s, C₄); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3325, NH; 3125, NH; 1640 cm⁻¹, C=O. Anal. calcd for (C₁₈H₂₁N₅OS₂): C, 55.8; H, 5.5; N, 18.1. Found: C, 56.0; H, 5.4; N, 18.3%.

6'-(4-Mercapto-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-d]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)hexanamide (6i). Yield 66%; mp dec 212–215 °C; ¹H NMR (250.12 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 1.40 (m, 2H, *J*=7.1 Hz, CH₂), 1.51 (m, 2H, *J*=7.0 Hz, CH₂), 1.72 (m, 2H, *J*=6.9 Hz, CH₂), 2.00 (t, 2H, *J*=7.1 Hz, C₂H₂), 3.18 (t, 2H, *J*=6.7 Hz, SCH₂), 6.65 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.19 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.36–8.08 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 8.32 (s, 1H, H₃), 13.99 (br s, 1H, N₅HC₄=S); ¹³C NMR (50.3 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 24.5 (t, C₃H₂), 28.0 (t, C₄H₂), 28.5 (t, C₅H₂), 30.1 (t, SC₆H₂), 34.8 (t, C₂H₂), 116.2 (s, C_{3a}), 121.2 (d, C_{2'}, C_{6'}), 127.1 (s, C_{4'}), 129.2 (d, C_{3'}, C_{5'}), 138.0 (s, C_{1'}), 138.1 (d, C₃), 146.6 (s, C_{7a}), 160.9 (s, C₆), 174.2 (s, C=O), 180.2 (s, C₄); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3375, NH; 1650 cm⁻¹, C=O. Anal. calcd for (C₁₇H₁₉N₅OS₂): C, 54.7; H, 5.1; N, 18.8. Found: C, 54.9; H, 4.9; N, 18.5%.

6'-(4-Mercapto-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-d]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-N-ethyl-hexanamide (6j). Yield 81%; mp dec 190.5–191.5 °C; ¹H NMR (250.12 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 0.96 (t, 3H, *J*=7.2 Hz, CH₂CH₃), 1.37 (m, 2H, *J*=7.2 Hz, CH₂), 1.51 (m, 2H, *J*=7.3 Hz, CH₂), 1.71 (m, 2H,

J=7.0 Hz, CH₂), 2.02 (t, 2H, *J*=7.2 Hz, C₂H₂), 3.02 (m, 2H, *J*=7.2 Hz, 5.5 Hz, CH₂CH₃), 3.17 (t, 2H, *J*=7.3 Hz, SCH₂), 7.36–8.04 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 7.76 (br t, 1H, NH), 8.29 (s, 1H, H₃), 13.99 (br s, 1H, N₅HC₄=S); ¹³C NMR (62.8 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 14.3 (q, CH₂CH₃), 24.5 (t, C₃H₂), 27.8 (t, C₄H₂), 28.3 (t, C₅H₂), 30.0 (t, SC₆H₂), 33.0 (t, CH₂CH₃), 35.1 (t, C₂H₂), 117.1 (s, C_{3a}), 122.1 (d, C_{2'}, C_{6'}), 128.0 (s, C_{4'}), 130.2 (d, C_{3'}, C_{5'}), 139.2 (d, s, C₃, C_{1'}), 147.9 (s, C_{7a}), 162.3 (s, C₆), 173.2 (s, C=O), 181.9 (s, C₄); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3325, NH; 3150, NH; 1640 cm⁻¹, C=O. Anal. calcd for (C₁₉H₂₃N₅OS₂): C, 56.8; H, 5.8; N, 17.4. Found: C, 57.0; H, 5.8; N, 17.1%.

8'-(4-Mercapto-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-d]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)octanamide (6k). *R_f* in ethyl acetate=0.52; yield 62%; mp 192–194 °C; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 1.14–1.48 (m, 8H, 4 × *J*=7.4 Hz, CH₂), 1.69 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.01 (t, 2H, *J*=6.7 Hz, C₂H₂), 3.17 (t, 2H, *J*=7.3 Hz, SCH₂), 6.66 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.21 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.39–8.06 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 8.31 (s, 1H, H₃), 13.97 (br s, 1H, N₅HC₄=S); ¹³C NMR (50.3 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 25.1 (t, C₃H₂), 28.4 (t, C₅H₂), 28.5 (t, C₄H₂), 28.7 (t, C₆H₂), 28.9 (t, C₇H₂), 30.4 (t, SC₈H₂), 35.1 (t, C₂H₂), 116.3 (s, C_{3a}), 121.3 (d, C_{2'}, C_{6'}), 127.2 (s, C_{4'}), 129.2 (d, C_{3'}, C_{5'}), 138.0 (s, C_{1'}), 138.2 (d, C₃), 146.6 (s, C_{7a}), 161.0 (s, C₆), 174.4 (s, C=O), 180.1 (s, C₄); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3400, NH; 3235, NH; 3175, NH; 1660 cm⁻¹, C=O. Anal. calcd for (C₁₉H₂₃N₅OS₂): C, 56.8; H, 5.8; N, 17.4. Found: C, 56.8; H, 5.8; N, 17.0%.

8'-(4-Mercapto-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-d]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-N-ethyl-octanamide (6l). *R_f* in ethyl acetate=0.67; yield 58%; mp 171–172 °C; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 1.01 (t, 3H, *J*=7.2 Hz, CH₂CH₃), 1.09–1.68 (m, 8H, *J*=7.3 Hz, 4 × CH₂), 1.76 (m, 2H, *J*=7.0 Hz, CH₂), 2.04 (t, 2H, *J*=7.3 Hz, C₂H₂), 3.06 (m, 2H, *J*=7.2 Hz, 5.6 Hz, CH₂CH₃), 3.21 (t, 2H, *J*=7.4 Hz, SCH₂), 7.40–8.10 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 7.74 (br t, 1H, NH), 8.36 (s, 1H, H₃), 14.04 (br s, 1H, N₅HC₄=S); ¹³C NMR (50.3 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 14.8 (q, CH₂CH₃), 25.2 (t, C₃H₂), 28.3 (t, C₅H₂), 28.4 (t, C₄H₂), 28.6 (t, C₆H₂), 28.9 (t, C₇H₂), 30.3 (t, C₈H₂), 33.2 (t, CH₂CH₃), 35.4 (t, C₂H₂), 116.2 (s, C_{3a}), 121.2 (d, C_{2'}, C_{6'}), 127.1 (s, C_{4'}), 129.2 (d, C_{3'}, C_{5'}), 138.0 (s, C_{1'}), 138.1 (d, C₃), 146.6 (s, C_{7a}), 160.9 (s, C₆), 171.7 (s, C=O), 180.1 (s, C₄); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3310, NH; 3125, NH; 1635 cm⁻¹, C=O. Anal. calcd for (C₂₁H₂₇N₅OS₂): C, 58.7; H, 6.3; N, 16.3. Found: C, 58.5; H, 6.3; N, 16.2%.

12'-(4-Mercapto-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-d]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)dodecanamide (6m). *R_f* in ethyl acetate=0.64; yield 60%; mp 165–167 °C; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 1.10–1.49 (m, 18H, *J*=7.5 Hz, 7.2 Hz, 7.1 Hz, 9 × CH₂), 1.70 (quintet, 2H, *J*=7.3 Hz, CH₂), 2.03 (t, 2H, *J*=7.4 Hz, C₂H₂), 3.16 (t, 2H, 7.4 Hz, SCH₂), 6.72 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.24 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.35–8.05 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 8.31 (s, 1H, H₃), 13.99 (br s, 1H, N₅HC₄=S); ¹³C NMR (50.3 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 25.1 (t, C₃H₂), 28.4 (t, C₁₀H₂), 28.5, 28.7 (t, C₉H₂-C₄H₂

indistinguishable), 28.9 (t, C₁₁-H₂), 30.4 (t, SC₁₂-H₂), 35.1 (t, C₂-H₂), 116.3 (s, C_{3a}), 121.3 (d, C₂, C_{6'}), 127.2 (s, C_{4'}), 129.2 (d, C_{3'}, C_{5'}), 138.0 (s, C_{1'}), 138.1 (d, C₃), 146.6 (s, C_{7a}), 161.0 (s, C₆), 174.2 (s, C=O), 180.1 (s, C₄); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3425, NH; 3200, NH; 1640 and 1610 cm⁻¹, C=O. Anal. calcd for (C₂₃H₃₁N₅OS₂): C, 60.4; H, 6.8; N, 15.3. Found: C, 60.8; H, 6.7; N, 14.9%.

12'-(4-Mercapto-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-*N*-ethyl-dodecanamide (6n). *R_f* in ethyl acetate=0.76; *R_f* in hexane:ethyl acetate (1:1)=0.23; Yield 68%; mp 150–154 °C; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 1.05 (t, 3H, *J*=7.2 Hz, CH₂CH₃), 1.13–1.52 (m, 18H, *J*=6.7 Hz, 9×CH₂), 1.76 (quintet, 2H, *J*=7.3 Hz, CH₂), 2.07 (t, 2H, *J*=7.2 Hz, C₂-H₂), 3.10 (m, 2H, *J*=7.2 Hz, 5.5 Hz, CH₂CH₃), 3.25 (t, 2H, *J*=7.2 Hz, SCH₂), 7.43–8.15 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 7.81 (br t, 1H, NH), 8.40 (s, 1H, H₃), 14.08 (br s, 1H, N₅H₄=S). ¹³C NMR (50.3 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 14.7 (q, CH₂CH₃), 25.2 (t, C₃-H₂), 28.4 (t, C₁₀-H₂), 28.6, 28.7 (t, C₉-H₂-C₄-H₂ indistinguishable), 28.8 (t, C₁₁-H₂), 30.3 (t SC₁₂-H₂), 33.1 (t, CH₂CH₃), 35.4 (s, C₂-H₂), 116.3 (s, C_{3a}), 121.3 (d, C₂, C_{6'}), 127.2 (s, C_{4'}), 129.3 (d, C_{3'}, C_{5'}), 138.1 (s, C_{1'}), 138.2 (d, C₃), 146.7 (s, C_{7a}), 161.0 (s, C₆), 171.3 (s, C=O), 180.3 (s, C₄); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3350, NH; 1640 cm⁻¹, C=O. Anal. calcd for (C₂₅H₃₅N₅OS₂): C, 61.8; H, 7.3; N, 14.4. Found: C, 61.5; H, 7.5; N, 14.3%.

2'-(4-methylthio-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)amides (7). The following general procedure was used: Compound **6a** (0.3 mmol) was added to a sodium hydroxide solution (20 mL, 1.5 M). Iodomethane (0.43 mmol) was added and the mixture stirred at room temperature for 30 min. A white solid precipitated and was recrystallized from DMSO and water to give 2'-(4-methylthio-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)ethanamide (**7a**) Yield 80%; mp 235–237 °C; ¹H NMR (250.12 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 2.69 (s, 3H, SCH₃), 3.91 (s, 2H, SCH₂), 7.24 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.34–8.18 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 7.64 (br s, 1H, NH), 8.48 (s, 1H, H₃); ¹³C NMR (62.8 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 11.5 (q, SCH₃), 34.7 (t, SC₂-H₂), 110.4 (s, C_{3a}), 120.7 (d, C₂, C_{6'}), 126.6 (s, C_{4'}), 129.4 (d, C_{3'}, C_{5'}), 133.8 (d, C₃), 138.3 (s, C_{1'}), 151.0 (s, C_{7a}), 165.6 (s, C₄), 168.2 (s, C₆), 169.1 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3310, NH; 1655 cm⁻¹, C=O. Anal. calcd for (C₁₄H₁₃N₅OS₂): C, 50.7; H, 4.0; N, 21.7. Found: C, 51.0; H, 4.0; N, 21.6%.

2'-(4-Methylthio-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-*N*-ethyl-ethanamide (7b). Yield 75%; mp decomp. 227–228.5 °C; ¹H NMR (250.12 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 0.94 (t, 3H, *J*=6.9 Hz, CH₃), 2.68 (s, 3H, SCH₃), 3.05 (m, 2H, *J*=6.8 Hz, 6.1 Hz, CH₂CH₃), 3.94 (s, 2H, SCH₂), 7.34–8.16 (m, 6H, 5CH_{arom}, 1NH), 8.48 (s, 1H, H₃); ¹³C NMR (62.8 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 11.5 (q, SCH₃), 14.4 (q, CH₃), 33.8 (t, CH₂CH₃), 34.8 (s, SC₂-H₂), 110.5 (s, C_{3a}), 120.7 (d, C₂, C_{6'}), 126.6 (s, C_{4'}), 129.4 (d, C_{3'}, C_{5'}), 133.8 (d, C₃), 138.3 (s, C_{1'}), 151.2 (s, C_{7a}), 161.6 (s, C₄), 165.7 (s, C₆), 166.7 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3310, NH; 1655 cm⁻¹, C=O. Anal.

calcd for (C₁₆H₁₇N₅OS₂): C, 53.4; H, 4.8; N, 19.5. Found: C, 53.0; H, 4.9; N, 19.8%.

3'-(4-Methylthio-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)propanamide (7c). Yield 60%; mp 202–204.5 °C; ¹H NMR (250.12 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 2.62 (t, 2H, *J*=7.1 Hz, CH₂), 2.68 (s, 3H, SCH₃), 3.36 (t, 2H, *J*=7.1 Hz, SCH₂), 6.93 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.36–8.17 (m, 6H, 5CH_{arom}, 1NH), 8.47 (s, 1H, H₃); ¹³C NMR (62.8 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 11.4 (q, SCH₃), 26.5 (t, SC₃-H₂), 34.5 (t, C₂-H₂), 110.4 (s, C_{3a}), 120.6 (d, C₂, C_{6'}), 126.6 (s, C_{4'}), 129.3 (d, C_{3'}, C_{5'}), 133.7 (d, C₃), 138.3 (s, C_{1'}), 151.2 (s, C_{7a}), 165.6 (s, C₄), 168.4 (s, C₆), 172.4 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3425, NH; 3375, NH; 1665, C=O; 1600 cm⁻¹, C=C. Anal. calcd for (C₁₅H₁₅N₅OS₂): C, 52.2; H, 4.4; N, 20.3. Found: C, 51.9; H, 4.7; N, 20.6%.

3'-(4-Methylthio-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-*N*-ethyl-propanamide (7d). Yield 57%; mp 177–178.5 °C; ¹H NMR (250.12 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 0.99 (t, 3H, *J*=7.2 Hz, CH₂CH₃), 2.61 (t, 2H, *J*=7.0 Hz, CH₂), 2.68 (s, 3H, SCH₃), 3.08 (m, 2H, *J*=7.2 Hz, 5.5 Hz, CH₂CH₃), 3.37 (t, 2H, *J*=7.0 Hz, SCH₂), 7.36–8.17 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 7.87 (br t, 1H, NH), 8.46 (s, 1H, H₃); ¹³C NMR (62.8 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 11.4 (q, SCH₃), 26.5 (t, SC₃-H₂), 34.5 (t, C₂-H₂), 110.4 (s, C_{3a}), 120.6 (d, C₂, C_{6'}), 126.6 (s, C_{4'}), 129.3 (d, C_{3'}, C_{5'}), 133.7 (d, C₃), 138.3 (s, C_{1'}), 151.2 (s, C_{7a}), 165.6 (s, C₄), 168.4 (s, C₆), 172.4 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3325, NH; 1650, C=O; 1600 cm⁻¹, C=C; Anal. calcd for (C₁₇H₁₆N₅OS₂): C, 54.7; H, 4.6; N, 18.8. Found: C, 54.7; H, 4.8; N, 19.0%.

4'-(4-Methylthio-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)butanamide (7e). Yield 55%; mp 173.5–174 °C; ¹H NMR (250.12 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 1.96 (m, 2H, *J*=7.1 Hz, C₃-H₂), 2.24 (t, 2H, *J*=7.3 Hz, C₂-H₂), 2.67 (s, 3H, SCH₃), 3.19 (t, 2H, *J*=7.1 Hz, SCH₂), 6.80 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.34–8.15 (m, 6H, 5CH_{arom}, 1NH), 8.45 (s, 1H, H₃); ¹³C NMR (62.8 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 11.4 (q, SCH₃), 24.8 (t, C₃-H₂), 30.2 (t, SC₄-H₂), 33.9 (t, C₂-H₂), 110.4 (s, C_{3a}), 120.7 (d, C₂, C_{6'}), 126.6 (s, C_{4'}), 129.3 (d, C_{3'}, C_{5'}), 133.7 (d, C₃), 138.3 (s, C_{1'}), 151.2 (s, C_{7a}), 165.5 (s, C₄), 168.5 (s, C₆), 173.5 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3425, NH; 3225, NH; 1670, C=O; 1600 cm⁻¹, C=C. Anal. calcd for (C₁₆H₁₇N₅OS₂): C, 53.5; H, 4.8; N, 19.5. Found: C, 53.4; H, 4.6; N, 19.5%.

4'-(4-Methylthio-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-*N*-ethyl-butanamide (7f). Yield 59%; mp 173.5–175.5 °C; ¹H NMR (250.12 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 0.98 (t, 3H, *J*=7.2 Hz, CH₂CH₃), 1.99 (m, 2H, *J*=7.2 Hz, C₃-H₂), 2.23 (t, 2H, *J*=7.3 Hz, C₂-H₂), 2.66 (s, 3H, SCH₃), 3.04 (m, 2H, *J*=7.1 Hz, 5.6 Hz, CH₂CH₃), 3.17 (t, 2H, *J*=7.3 Hz, SCH₂), 7.33–8.14 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 7.83 (br s, 1H, NH), 8.41 (s, 1H, H₃); ¹³C NMR (62.8 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 11.4 (q, SCH₃), 14.6 (q, CH₃), 25.0 (t, C₃-H₂), 30.2 (t, SC₄-H₂), 33.2 (t, CH₂CH₃), 34.3 (t, C₂-H₂), 110.4 (s, C_{3a}), 120.6 (d, C₂, C_{6'}), 126.6 (s, C_{4'}), 129.3 (d, C_{3'}, C_{5'}), 133.7 (d, C₃), 138.3 (s, C_{1'}), 151.2 (s, C_{7a}), 165.5 (s, C₄), 168.6 (s, C₆), 171.0 (s, C=O); IR

(KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3325, NH; 1640, C=O; 1600 cm^{-1} , C=C. Anal. calcd for $(\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_5\text{OS}_2)$: C, 55.8; H, 5.5; N, 18.1. Found: C, 56.0; H, 5.2; N, 17.8%.

5'-(4-Methylthio-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)pentanamide (7g). Yield 74%; mp 141.5–143 °C; ^1H NMR (250.12 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 1.71 (m, 4H, $2 \times J = 6.9$ Hz, CH_2), 2.12 (t, 2H, $J = 6.9$ Hz, C_2H_2), 2.69 (s, 3H, SCH_3), 3.18 (t, 2H, $J = 7.0$ Hz, SCH_2), 6.77 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.30 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.35–8.16 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 8.44 (s, 1H, H₃); ^{13}C NMR (62.8 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 11.4 (q, SCH_3); 24.5 (t, C_3H_2), 28.7 (t, C_4H_2), 30.3 (t, SC_6H_2), 34.6 (t, C_2H_2), 110.3 (s, C_{3a}), 120.6 (d, $\text{C}_{2'}$, C_6'), 126.6 (s, C_4'), 129.2 (d, $\text{C}_{3'}$, C_5'), 133.6 (d, C_3), 138.3 (s, $\text{C}_{1'}$), 151.1 (s, C_{7a}), 165.4 (s, C_4), 168.6 (s, C_6), 174.1 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3425, NH; 3225, NH; 1655, C=O; 1600 cm^{-1} , C=C. Anal. calcd for $(\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_5\text{OS}_2)$: C, 54.7; H, 5.1; N, 18.8. Found: C, 54.5; H, 4.9; N, 18.5%.

5'-(4-Methylthio-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-*N*-ethyl-pentanamide (7h). Yield 80%; mp 143.0–145.5 °C; ^1H NMR (250.12 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 0.95 (t, 3H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, CH_2CH_3), 1.70 (m, 4H, $2 \times \text{CH}_2$), 2.08 (t, 2H, $J = 6.7$ Hz, C_2H_2), 2.68 (s, 3H, SCH_3), 3.02 (m, 2H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 5.6 Hz, CH_2CH_3), 3.17 (t, 2H, $J = 6.8$ Hz, SCH_2), 7.34–8.14 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 7.76 (br t, 1H, NH), 8.46 (s, 1H, H₃); ^{13}C NMR (62.8 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 11.4 (q, SCH_3), 14.6 (q, CH_2CH_3), 24.6 (t, C_3H_2), 28.6 (t, C_4H_2), 30.3 (t, SC_6H_2), 33.1 (t, CH_2CH_3), 34.9 (t, C_2H_2), 110.3 (s, C_{3a}), 120.7 (d, $\text{C}_{2'}$, C_6'), 126.6 (s, C_4'), 129.2 (d, $\text{C}_{3'}$, C_5'), 133.7 (d, C_3), 138.3 (s, $\text{C}_{1'}$), 151.2 (s, C_{7a}), 165.5 (s, C_4), 168.6 (s, C_6), 171.5 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3325, NH; 1655, C=O; 1600 cm^{-1} , C=C. Anal. calcd for $(\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_5\text{OS}_2)$: C, 56.8; H, 5.8; N, 17.4. Found: C, 56.8; H, 5.9; N, 17.4%.

6'-(4-Methylthio-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)hexanamide (7i). Yield 66%; mp 153.5–154 °C; ^1H NMR (250.12 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 1.43 (m, 2H, $J = 6.1$ Hz, CH_2), 1.55 (m, 2H, $J = 7.3$ Hz, CH_2), 1.71 (m, 2H, $J = 7.3$ Hz, CH_2), 2.04 (t, 2H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, C_2H_2), 2.66 (s, 3H, SCH_3), 3.15 (t, 2H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, SCH_2), 7.35–8.17 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 7.6 (br t, 1H, NH), 8.47 (s, 1H, H₃); ^{13}C NMR (62.8 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 11.4 (q, SCH_3), 24.6 (t, C_3H_2), 28.1 (t, C_4H_2), 28.8 (t, C_5H_2), 30.4 (t, SC_6H_2), 34.9 (t, C_2H_2), 110.1 (s, C_{3a}), 120.4 (d, $\text{C}_{2'}$, C_6'), 126.4 (s, C_4'), 129.0 (d, $\text{C}_{3'}$, C_5'), 133.4 (d, C_3), 138.1 (s, $\text{C}_{1'}$), 151.0 (s, C_{7a}), 165.2 (s, C_4), 168.4 (s, C_6), 171.4 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3375, NH; 3175, NH; 1655, C=O; 1600 cm^{-1} , C=C. Anal. calcd for $(\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_5\text{OS}_2)$: C, 55.8; H, 5.5; N, 18.1. Found: C, 56.0; H, 5.5; N, 17.9%.

6'-(4-Methylthio-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-*N*-ethyl-hexanamide (7j). Yield 58%; mp 138.5–139.5 °C; ^1H NMR (250.12 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 0.97 (t, 3H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, CH_2CH_3), 1.40 (m, 2H, $J = 6.3$ Hz, CH_2), 1.55 (m, 2H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, CH_2), 1.71 (m, 2H, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 6.5 Hz, CH_2), 2.03 (t, 2H, $J = 7.1$ Hz, C_2H_2), 2.64 (s, 3H, SCH_3), 3.03 (m, 2H, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 5.5 Hz,

CH_2CH_3); 3.12 (t, 2H, $J = 7.4$ Hz, SCH_2), 7.31–8.13 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 7.75 (br t, 1H, NH), 8.39 (s, 1H, H₃); ^{13}C NMR (62.8 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 11.4 (q, SCH_3), 14.6 (q, CH_2CH_3), 24.7 (t, C_3H_2), 28.0 (t, C_4H_2), 28.7 (t, C_5H_2), 30.3 (t, SC_6H_2), 33.1 (t, CH_2CH_3), 35.2 (t, C_2H_2), 110.1 (s, C_{3a}), 120.4 (d, $\text{C}_{2'}$, C_6'), 126.4 (s, C_4'), 129.0 (d, $\text{C}_{3'}$, C_5'), 133.4 (d, C_3), 138.1 (s, $\text{C}_{1'}$), 151.0 (s, C_{7a}), 165.2 (s, C_4), 168.4 (s, C_6), 171.4 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3300, NH; 1650, C=O; 1600 cm^{-1} , C=C. Anal. calcd for $(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_5\text{OS}_2)$: C, 57.8; H, 6.1; N, 16.9. Found: C, 57.8; H, 6.0; N, 17.2%.

8'-(4-Methylthio-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)octanamide (7k). R_f in ethyl acetate = 0.58; Yield 52%; mp 145.5–148 °C; ^1H NMR (200 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 1.25–1.52 (m, 8H, $4 \times \text{CH}_2$), 1.76 (quintet, 2H, $J = 7.1$ Hz, CH_2), 2.03 (t, 2H, $J = 7.4$ Hz, C_2H_2), 2.71 (s, 3H, SCH_3), 3.20 (t, 2H, $J = 7.5$ Hz, SCH_2), 6.70 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.23 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.55–8.12 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 8.43 (s, 1H, H₃); ^{13}C NMR (62.8 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 11.4 (q, SCH_3), 24.9 (t, C_3H_2), 28.2 (t, C_5H_2), 28.3 (t, C_4H_2), 28.5 (t, C_6H_2), 29.0 (t, C_7H_2), 30.4 (t, SC_8H_2), 34.9 (t, C_2H_2), 110.2 (s, C_{3a}), 120.6 (d, $\text{C}_{2'}$, C_6'), 126.5 (s, C_4'), 129.0 (d, $\text{C}_{3'}$, C_5'), 133.5 (d, C_3), 138.1 (s, $\text{C}_{1'}$), 151.0 (s, C_{7a}), 165.3 (s, C_4), 168.5 (s, C_6), 174.1 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3375, NH; 3200, NH; 1660, C=O; 1600 cm^{-1} , C=C. Anal. calcd for $(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_5\text{OS}_2)$: C, 57.8; H, 6.1; N, 16.9. Found: C, 57.8; H, 6.2; N, 16.6%.

8'-(4-Methylthio-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-*N*-ethyl-octanamide (7l). R_f in ethyl acetate = 0.65; Yield 48%; mp 124–126 °C; ^1H NMR (200 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 0.99 (t, 3H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, CH_2CH_3), 1.06–1.46 (m, 16H, $8 \times \text{CH}_2$), 1.74 (quintet, 2H, $J = 7.3$ Hz, CH_2), 2.00 (t, 2H, $J = 7.3$ Hz, C_2H_2), 2.69 (s, 3H, SCH_3), 3.06 (m, 2H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 5.5 Hz, CH_2CH_3), 3.19 (t, 2H, $J = 7.4$ Hz, SCH_2), 7.35–8.17 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 7.64 (br t, 1H, NH), 8.46 (s, 1H, H₃); ^{13}C NMR (62.8 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 11.4 (q, SCH_3), 24.9 (t, C_3H_2), 28.2 (t, C_5H_2), 28.3 (t, C_4H_2), 28.5 (t, C_6H_2), 29.0 (t, C_7H_2), 30.4 (t, SC_8H_2), 34.9 (t, C_2H_2), 110.2 (s, C_{3a}), 120.6 (d, $\text{C}_{2'}$, C_6'), 126.5 (s, C_4'), 129.0 (d, $\text{C}_{3'}$, C_5'), 133.5 (d, C_3), 138.1 (s, $\text{C}_{1'}$), 151.0 (s, C_{7a}), 165.3 (s, C_4), 168.5 (s, C_6), 174.1 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3310, NH; 1650, C=O; 1600 cm^{-1} , C=C. Anal. calcd for $(\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_5\text{OS}_2)$: C, 59.7; H, 6.4; N, 15.8. Found: C, 59.6; H, 6.6; N, 15.8%.

12'-(4-Methylthio-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)dodecanamide (7m). R_f in ethyl acetate = 0.65; Yield 55%; mp 131–134 °C; ^1H NMR (200 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 1.14–1.44 (m, 16H, $8 \times \text{CH}_2$), 1.73 (quintet, 2H, $J = 6.5$ Hz, CH_2), 2.01 (t, 2H, $J = 7.3$ Hz, C_2H_2), 2.68 (s, 3H, SCH_3), 3.17 (t, 2H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, SCH_2), 6.66 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.20 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.38–8.16 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 8.46 (s, 1H, H₃); ^{13}C NMR (75.5 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 11.4 (q, SCH_3), 25.0 (t, C_3H_2), 28.4 (t, C_{10}H_2), 28.5, 28.6, 28.7, 28.8 (t, C_9H_2 – C_4H_2 , indistinguishable), 29.0 (t, C_{11}H_2), 30.5 (t, C_{12}H_2), 35.1 (t, C_2H_2), 110.3 (s, C_{3a}), 120.6 (d, $\text{C}_{2'}$, C_6'), 126.6 (s, C_4'), 129.2 (d, $\text{C}_{3'}$, C_5'), 133.7 (d, C_3), 138.4 (s,

C_{1r}), 151.2 (s, C_{7a}), 165.5 (s, C_4), 168.8 (s, C_6), 174.5 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3400, NH; 3200, NH; 1650, C=O; 1600 cm^{-1} , C=C. Anal. calcd for ($C_{24}H_{33}N_5OS_2$): C, 61.1; H, 7.1; N, 14.9. Found: C, 61.0; H, 7.1; N, 14.6%.

12'-(4-Methylthio-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-*N*-ethyl-dodecanamide (7n). R_f in ethyl acetate = 0.80, R_f in hexane:ethyl acetate (1:1) = 0.29; Yield 60%; mp 124–125 °C; ^1H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 0.99 (t, 3H, $J=7.2$ Hz, CH_2CH_3), 1.06–1.46 (m, 16H, $8 \times \text{CH}_2$), 1.74 (quintet, 2H, $J=7.2$ Hz, CH_2), 2.01 (t, 2H, $J=7.3$ Hz, $\text{C}_2\text{-H}_2$), 2.70 (s, 3H, SCH_3), 3.10 (m, 2H, $J=7.1$ Hz, 5.9 Hz, CH_2CH_3); 3.19 (t, 2H, $J=7.3$ Hz, SCH_2), 7.35–8.17 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 7.64 (br s, 1H, NH), 8.46 (s, 1H, H_3); ^{13}C NMR (75.5 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , -60°C): δ 11.2 (q, SCH_3), 14.4 (q, CH_2CH_3), 25.0 (t, $\text{C}_3\text{-H}_2$), 28.1 (t, $\text{C}_{10r}\text{-H}_2$), 28.2, 28.3, 28.5 (t, $\text{C}_9\text{-H}_2$, $\text{C}_4\text{-H}_2$, indistinguishable), 28.8 (t, $\text{C}_{11r}\text{-H}_2$), 30.6 (t, $\text{C}_{12r}\text{-H}_2$), 32.7 (t, CH_2CH_3), 35.2 (t, $\text{C}_2\text{-H}_2$), 110.1 (s, C_{3a}), 120.5 (d, C_{2r} , C_{6r}), 126.3 (s, C_{4r}), 128.7 (d, C_{3r} , C_{5r}), 133.2 (d, C_3) 138.0 (s, C_{1r}), 150.1 (s, C_{7a}), 165.4 (s, C_4), 168.5 (s, C_6), 171.4 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3300, NH; 1640, C=O; 1600 cm^{-1} , C=C. Anal. calcd for ($\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{37}\text{N}_5\text{OS}_2$): C, 62.5; H, 7.5; N, 14.0. Found: C, 62.7; H, 7.6; N, 13.8%.

2'-(4-Amino-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)amides (4). The following general procedure was used: Compound **7a** (0.1 mmol) was added to a saturated solution of ammonia in ethanol (15 mL). The mixture was heated at 100 °C for 72 h in a bomb. The solvent was removed to yield a white solid recrystallized from DMSO and water to give 2'-(4-amino-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)ethanamide (**4a**): yield 75%; mp dec 262–272 °C; ^1H NMR (250.12 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 3.78 (s, 2H, SCH_2), 7.18 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.27–8.21 (m, 6H, 5CH_{arom} , 1NH), 7.92 (br s, 1H, NH), 8.20 (br s, 1H, NH), 8.26, (s, 1H, H_3); ^{13}C NMR (62.8 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 34.2 (t, $\text{SC}_2\text{-H}_2$), 99.3 (s, C_{3a}), 120.3 (d, C_{2r} , C_{6r}), 125.9 (s, C_{4r}), 129.2 (d, C_{3r} , C_{5r}), 134.3 (d, C_3), 139.0 (s, C_{1r}), 153.6 (s, C_{7a}), 157.4 (s, C_4), 168.8 (s, C_6), 169.7 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3450, NH; 3400, NH; 3300, NH; 3150, NH; 1650 cm^{-1} , C=O. Anal. calcd for ($\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_6\text{OS}$): C, 52.0; H, 4.0; N, 28.0. Found: C, 52.1; H, 4.1; N, 27.6%.

2'-(4-Amino-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-*N*-ethylethanamide (4b). R_f in ethyl acetate = 0.58; (yield 82%); mp 254–256 °C; ^1H NMR (250.12 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 0.92, (t, 3H, $J=7.2$ Hz, CH_2CH_3); 3.03 (m, 2H, $J=7.1$ Hz, 5.7 Hz, CH_2CH_3), 3.80 (s, 2H, SCH_2), 7.28–8.19 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 7.86 (br s, 1H, NH), 8.06 (br t, 2H, 1CONH, 1NH), 8.25, (s, 1H, H_3); ^{13}C NMR (62.8 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 14.5 (q, CH_2CH_3), 33.8 (t, CH_2CH_3), 34.4 (t, $\text{SC}_2\text{-H}_2$), 99.3 (s, C_{3a}), 120.2 (d, C_{2r} , C_{6r}), 125.9 (s, C_{4r}), 129.2 (d, C_{3r} , C_{5r}), 134.3 (d, C_3), 138.9 (s, C_{1r}), 153.5 (s, C_{7a}), 157.3 (s, C_4), 167.2 (s, C_6), 168.6 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3500, NH; 3315, NH; 3230, NH; 1660, C=O; 1600 cm^{-1} , C=C. Anal. calcd for ($\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_6\text{OS}$): C, 54.9; H, 4.9; N, 25.6. Found: C, 54.8; H, 4.9; N, 25.4%.

3'-(4-Amino-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)propanamide (4c). R_f in ethyl acetate = 0.47; Yield 50%; mp 247.5–249 °C; ^1H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 2.59 (t, 2H, $J=7.1$ Hz, CH_2), 3.27 (t, 2H, $J=7.1$ Hz, SCH_2), 6.91 (br s, 1H, CONH), 7.28–8.25 (m, 6H, 5CH_{arom} , 1CONH), 7.93 (br s, 1H, NH), 8.02 (br s, 1H, NH), 8.26, (s, 1H, H_3); ^{13}C NMR (62.8 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 26.0 (t, $\text{SC}_3\text{-H}_2$), 35.0 (t, $\text{C}_2\text{-H}_2$), 99.3 (s, C_{3a}), 120.0 (d, C_{2r} , C_{6r}), 125.8 (s, C_{4r}), 129.1 (d, C_{3r} , C_{5r}), 134.2 (d, C_3), 138.9 (s, C_{1r}), 153.6 (s, C_{7a}), 157.4 (s, C_4), 169.1 (s, C_6), 176.2 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3485 NH; 3425, NH; 3300, NH; 3175, NH; 3100, NH; 1700 and 1660, C=O; 1600 cm^{-1} , C=C. Anal. calcd for ($\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_6\text{OS}$): C, 53.5; H, 4.5; N, 26.7. Found: C, 53.6; H, 4.5; N, 26.7%.

3'-(4-Amino-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-*N*-ethylpropanamide (4d). Yield 55%; mp 251–253.5 °C; ^1H NMR (250.12 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 1.01 (t, 3H, $J=7.2$ Hz, CH_2CH_3), 2.59 (t, 2H, $J=7.1$ Hz, CH_2), 3.10 (m, 2H, $J=7.3$ Hz, 5.6 Hz, CH_2CH_3), 3.29 (t, 2H, $J=7.2$ Hz, SCH_2), 7.32–8.24 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 7.56 (br t, 2H, CONH, NH), 7.86 (br s, 1H, NH), 8.27 (s, 1H, H_3); ^{13}C NMR (62.8 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 14.5 (q, CH_2CH_3), 26.1 (t, $\text{SC}_3\text{-H}_2$), 33.2 (t, CH_2CH_3), 35.2 (t, $\text{C}_2\text{-H}_2$), 99.3 (s, C_{3a}), 120.1 (d, C_{2r} , C_{6r}), 125.8 (s, C_{4r}), 129.1 (d, C_{3r} , C_{5r}), 134.3 (d, C_3), 139.0 (s, C_{1r}), 153.6 (s, C_{7a}), 157.5 (s, C_4), 169.2 (s, C_6), 170.1 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3475, NH; 3325, NH; 3100, NH; 1660 and 1645 cm^{-1} , C=O. Anal. calcd for ($\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_6\text{OS}$): C, 56.1; H, 5.3; N, 24.5. Found: C, 56.2; H, 5.2; N, 24.6%.

4'-(4-Amino-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)butanamide (4e). Yield 86%; mp 265–267 °C; ^1H NMR (250.12 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 1.93 (m, 2H, $J=7.2$ Hz, $\text{C}_3\text{-H}_2$), 2.23 (t, 2H, $J=7.4$ Hz, $\text{C}_2\text{-H}_2$), 3.09 (t, 2H, $J=7.3$ Hz, SCH_2), 6.79 (br s, 1H, CONH), 7.28–8.21 (m, 6H, 5CH_{arom} , 1NH), 7.83 (br s, 1H, NH), 8.01 (br s, 1H, NH), 8.25 (s, 1H, H_3); ^{13}C NMR (62.8 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 25.2 (t, $\text{C}_3\text{-H}_2$), 29.8 (t, $\text{SC}_4\text{-H}_2$), 34.2 (t, $\text{C}_2\text{-H}_2$), 99.3 (s, C_{3a}), 120.0 (d, C_{2r} , C_{6r}), 125.8 (s, C_{4r}), 129.1 (d, C_{3r} , C_{5r}), 134.2 (d, C_3), 138.9 (s, C_{1r}), 153.6 (s, C_{7a}), 157.3 (s, C_4), 169.2 (s, C_6), 173.5 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3450, NH; 3325, NH; 3200, NH; 3100, NH; 1660, C=O; 1600 cm^{-1} , C=C. Anal. calcd for ($\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_6\text{OS}$): C, 54.9; H, 4.9; N, 25.6. Found: C, 55.0; H, 5.0; N, 25.8%.

4'-(4-Amino-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-*N*-ethyl-butanamide (4f). R_f in ethyl acetate = 0.60; yield 65%; mp 247–248 °C; ^1H NMR (250.12 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 0.97 (t, 3H, $J=7.2$ Hz, CH_2CH_3), 1.96 (m, 2H, $J=7.3$ Hz, $\text{C}_3\text{-H}_2$), 2.22 (t, 2H, $J=7.3$ Hz, $\text{C}_2\text{-H}_2$), 3.05 (m, 4H, $J=7.2$ Hz, 5.6 Hz, CH_2CH_3 , SCH_2), 7.30–8.21 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 7.84 (br s, 2H, CONH, NH), 8.0 (br s, 1H, NH), 8.25 (s, 1H, H_3); ^{13}C NMR (62.8 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 14.6 (q, CH_2CH_3), 25.3 (t, $\text{C}_3\text{-H}_2$), 29.7 (t, $\text{SC}_4\text{-H}_2$), 33.1 (t, CH_2CH_3), 34.4 (t, $\text{C}_2\text{-H}_2$), 99.3 (s, C_{3a}), 120.1 (d, C_{2r} , C_{6r}), 125.9 (s, C_{4r}), 129.1 (d, C_{3r} , C_{5r}), 134.3 (d, C_3), 139.0 (s, C_{1r}), 153.8 (s, C_{7a}), 157.5 (s, C_4), 169.3 (s, C_6), 171.1 (s, C=O); IR

(KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3450, NH; 3325, NH; 3075, NH; 1650, C=O; 1600 cm^{-1} , C=C. Anal. calcd for ($\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_6\text{OS}$): C, 57.3; H, 5.7; N, 23.6. Found: C, 57.4; H, 5.6; N, 23.6%.

5'-(4-Amino-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)pentanamide (4g). R_f in ethyl acetate=0.42; Yield 70%; mp dec 229–233 °C; ^1H NMR (250.12 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 1.66 (m, 4H, $2 \times \text{CH}_2$), 2.08 (t, 2H, $J=6.8$ Hz, C_2H_2), 3.09 (t, 2H, $J=6.7$ Hz, SCH_2), 6.71 (br s, 1H, CONH), 7.25 (br s, 1H, CONH), 7.28–8.20 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 7.84 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.99 (br s, 1H, NH), 8.25, (s, 1H, H_3); ^{13}C NMR (62.8 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 24.6 (t, C_3H_2), 29.0 (s, C_4H_2), 29.7 (s, SC_5H_2), 34.6 (s, C_2H_2), 99.3 (s, C_{3a}), 120.2 (d, C_{2r} , C_{6r}), 125.9 (s, C_{4r}), 129.1 (d, C_{3r} , C_{5r}), 134.3 (d, C_3), 139.0 (s, C_{1r}), 153.8 (s, C_{7a}), 157.4 (s, C_4), 169.4 (s, C_6), 174.1 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3450, NH; 3425, NH; 3400, NH; 3275, NH; 3075, NH; 1650 cm^{-1} , C=O. Anal. calcd for ($\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_6\text{OS}$): C, 56.1; H, 5.3; N, 24.5. Found: C, 56.4; H, 5.3; N, 24.5%.

5'-(4-Amino-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-*N*-ethyl-pentanamide (4h). Yield 68%; mp decomp. 201.5–204.5 °C; ^1H NMR (250.12 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 0.96 (t, 3H, $J=7.2$ Hz, CH_2CH_3), 1.68 (m, 4H, $2 \times \text{CH}_2$), 2.08 (t, 2H, $J=6.6$ Hz, C_2H_2), 3.05 (m 4H, $J=7.1$ Hz, 5.8 Hz, CH_2CH_3 , SCH_2), 7.27–8.20 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 7.79 (br t, 2H, CONH, NH), 8.01 (br s, 1H, NH), 8.25, (s, 1H, H_3); ^{13}C NMR (62.8 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 14.6 (q, CH_2CH_3), 24.8 (t, C_3H_2), 29.0 (t, C_4H_2), 29.8 (t, SC_5H_2), 33.1 (t, CH_2CH_3), 35.0 (t, C_2H_2), 99.3 (s, C_{3a}), 120.2 (d, C_{2r} , C_{6r}), 125.9 (s, C_{4r}), 129.1 (d, C_{3r} , C_{5r}), 134.3 (d, C_3), 139.1 (s, C_{1r}), 153.8 (s, C_{7a}), 157.5 (s, C_4), 169.5 (s, C_6), 171.7 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3425, NH; 3325, NH; 3125, NH; 1655 and 1625 cm^{-1} , C=O. Anal. calcd for ($\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_6\text{OS}$): C, 58.4; H, 6.0; N, 22.7. Found C, 58.6; H, 6.0; N, 22.6%.

6'-(4-Amino-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-hexanamide (4i). R_f in ethyl acetate=0.44; Yield 55%; mp 215–217 °C; ^1H NMR (200.0 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 1.50 (m, 4H, $J=7.3$ Hz, $2 \times \text{CH}_2$), 1.74 (m, 2H, $J=7.4$ Hz, C_5H_2), 2.07 (t, 2H, $J=7.0$ Hz, C_2H_2), 3.11 (t, 2H, $J=7.1$ Hz, SCH_2), 6.73 (br s, 1H, CONH), 7.25 (br s, 1H, CONH), 7.29–8.23 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 7.95 (br s, 2H, NH_2), 8.27, (s, 1H, H_3); ^{13}C NMR (200.0 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 24.8 (t, C_3H_2), 28.4 (t, C_4H_2), 29.3 (t, C_5H_2), 30.0 (t, C_6H_2), 35.1 (t, C_2H_2), 99.3 (s, C_{3a}), 120.1 (d, C_{2r} , C_{6r}), 126.0 (s, C_{4r}), 129.1 (d, C_{3r} , C_{5r}), 134.3 (d, C_3), 139.1 (s, C_{1r}), 153.7 (s, C_{7a}), 157.4 (s, C_4), 169.4 (s, C_6), 174.1 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3470, NH; 3425, NH; 3320, NH; 3225, NH; 3125, NH; 1650, C=O; 1600 cm^{-1} , C=C. Anal. calcd for ($\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_6\text{OS}$): C, 57.3; H, 5.7; N, 23.6. Found C, 57.2; H, 5.7; N, 23.4%.

6'-(4-Amino-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-*N*-ethyl-hexanamide (4j). Yield 60%; mp 205–207 °C; ^1H NMR (250.12 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 0.96 (t, 3H, $J=7.2$ Hz, CH_2CH_3), 1.40 (m, 2H, $J=6.9$ Hz, CH_2), 1.53 (m, 2H, $J=7.0$ Hz, CH_2), 1.70 (quintet, 2H, $J=7.2$

Hz, C_5H_2), 2.03 (t, 2H, $J=7.3$ Hz, C_2H_2), 3.04 (m 4H, $J=7.2$ Hz, 5.6 Hz, CH_2CH_3 , SCH_2), 7.27–8.19 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 7.79 (br t, 2H, CONH, NH), 8.00 (br s, 1H, NH), 8.24, (s, 1H, H_3); ^{13}C NMR (62.8 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 14.7 (q, CH_2CH_3), 24.9 (t, C_3H_2), 28.2 (t, C_4H_2), 29.2 (t, C_5H_2), 29.9 (t, SC_6H_2), 33.2 (t, CH_2CH_3), 35.4 (t, C_2H_2), 99.2 (s, C_{3a}), 120.1 (d, C_{2r} , C_{6r}), 125.8 (s, C_{4r}), 129.0 (d, C_{3r} , C_{5r}), 134.2 (d, C_3), 139.0 (s, C_{1r}), 153.7 (s, C_{7a}), 157.3, (s, C_4), 169.4 (s, C_6), 171.7 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3435, NH; 3310, NH; 3075, NH; 1660 and 1650 cm^{-1} , C=O; 1600 cm^{-1} , C=C. Anal. calcd for ($\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_6\text{OS}$): C, 59.4; H, 6.3; N, 21.9. Found C, 59.0; H, 6.3; N, 21.7%.

8'-(4-Amino-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-octanamide (4k). Yield 50%; mp 183–187 °C; ^1H NMR (250.12 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 1.20–1.45 (m, 8H, $4 \times \text{CH}_2$), 1.70 (m, 2H, $J=6.9$ Hz, CH_2), 2.00 (t, 2H, $J=7.2$ Hz, C_2H_2), 3.09 (t, 2H, $J=7.5$ Hz, SCH_2), 6.65 (br s, 1H, CONH), 7.20 (br s, 1H, CONH), 7.28–8.20 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 7.94 (br s, 2H, NH_2), 8.25, (s, 1H, H_3); ^{13}C NMR (50.3 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 25.1 (t, C_3H_2), 28.5 (t, C_5H_2), 28.6 (t, C_4H_2), 28.7 (t, C_6H_2), 29.5 (t, C_7H_2), 30.1 (t, C_8H_2), 35.1 (t, C_2H_2), 99.3 (s, C_{3a}), 120.2 (d, C_{2r} , C_{6r}), 126.0 (s, C_{4r}), 129.1 (d, C_{3r} , C_{5r}), 134.3 (d, C_3), 139.0 (s, C_{1r}), 153.7 (s, C_{7a}), 157.4 (s, C_4), 169.5 (s, C_6), 174.3 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3500, NH; 3450, NH; 3350, NH; 3250, NH; 3125, NH; 1660, C=O; 1595 cm^{-1} , C=C. Anal. calcd for ($\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_6\text{OS}$): C, 59.4; H, 6.3; N, 21.9. Found C, 59.7; H, 6.2; N, 21.6%.

8'-(4-Amino-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-*N*-ethyl-octanamide (4l). R_f in ethyl acetate=0.66; Yield 45%; mp 171–172 °C; ^1H NMR (200 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) δ 0.98 (t, 3H, $J=7.2$ Hz, CH_2CH_3), 1.26–1.50 (m, 8H, $4 \times \text{CH}_2$), 1.68 (quintet, 2H, $J=7.5$ Hz, CH_2), 2.01 (t, 2H, $J=7.3$ Hz, C_2H_2), 3.03 (m, 4H, $J=7.2$ Hz, 5.5 Hz, CH_2CH_3 , SCH_2), 7.28–8.22 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 7.71 (br t, 1H, CONH), 7.90 (br s, 2H, NH_2), 8.24, (s, 1H, H_3); ^{13}C NMR (50.3 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 14.8 (q, CH_2CH_3), 25.3 (t, C_3H_2), 28.5 (t, C_5H_2), 28.6 (t, C_4H_2), 28.7 (t, C_6H_2), 29.5 (t, C_7H_2), 30.1 (t, C_8H_2), 33.2 (t, CH_2CH_3), 35.4 (t, C_2H_2), 99.3 (s, C_{3a}), 120.2 (d, C_{2r} , C_{6r}), 125.9 (s, C_{4r}), 129.1 (d, C_{3r} , C_{5r}), 134.3 (d, C_3), 139.0 (s, C_{1r}), 153.7 (s, C_{7a}), 157.4 (s, C_4), 169.5 (s, C_6), 171.7 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3440, NH; 3310, NH; 3075, NH; 1655 and 1630, C=O; 1595 cm^{-1} , C=C. Anal. calcd for ($\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_6\text{OS}$): C, 61.1; H, 6.8; N, 20.4. Found C, 61.0; H, 6.8; N, 20.0%.

12'-(4-Amino-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-dodecanamide (4m). R_f in ethyl acetate=0.54; Yield 40%; mp 170–172 °C; ^1H NMR (250.12 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 1.11–1.45 (m, 18H, $9 \times \text{CH}_2$), 1.67 (m, 2H, $J=7.3$ Hz, CH_2), 1.99 (t, 2H, $J=7.4$ Hz, C_2H_2), 3.08 (t, 2H, $J=7.2$ Hz, SCH_2), 6.64 (br s, 1H, CONH), 7.18 (br s, 1H, CONH), 7.27–8.21 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 7.84 (br s, 2H, NH_2), 8.25, (s, 1H, H_3); ^{13}C NMR (50.3 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 24.9 (t, C_3H_2), 28.3 (t, C_{10r}H_2), 28.4, 28.5, 28.7 (t, C_9H_2 - C_4H_2 , indistinguishable), 29.2 (t, C_{11r}H_2), 29.4 (t,

C₁₂H₂), 34.9 (t, C₂H₂), 99.2 (s, C_{3a}), 119.9 (d, C₂, C₆), 125.6 (s, C₄), 128.7 (d, C₃, C₅), 134.0 (d, C₃), 139.3 (s, C₁), 153.6 (s, C_{7a}), 157.2 (s, C₄), 169.3 (s, C₆), 174.0 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3375, NH; 3275, NH; 3075, NH; 1660, C=O; 1595 cm⁻¹, C=C. Anal. calcd for (C₂₃H₃₂N₆OS): C, 62.7; H, 7.3; N, 19.1. Found C, 62.5; H, 7.6; N, 18.8%.

12'-(4-Amino-1-phenylpyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidin-6-ylthio)-*N*-ethyl-dodecanamide (4n). *R_f* in ethyl acetate=0.75; Yield 30%; mp 179–180.5 °C; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 1.05 (t, 3H, *J*=7.3 Hz, CH₂CH₃), 1.21–1.55 (m, 18H, 9 × CH₂), 1.78 (quintet, 2H, *J*=6.6 Hz, CH₂), 2.07 (t, 2H, *J*=7.4 Hz, C₂H₂), 3.13 (m, 4H, *J*=7.3 Hz, 5.6 Hz, CH₂CH₃, SCH₂), 7.35–8.30 (m, 5H, CH_{arom}), 7.80 (br t, 1H, CONH), 7.95 (br s, 2H, NH₂), 8.33 (s, 1H, H₃); ¹³C NMR (50.3 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 14.6 (q, CH₂CH₃), 25.0 (t, C₃H₂), 28.4 (t, C₁₀H₂), 28.5, 28.6, 28.7 (t, C₉H₂-C₄H₂, indistinguishable), 29.2 (t, C₁₁H₂), 29.9 (t, C₁₂H₂), 33.0 (t, CH₂CH₃), 35.3 (t, C₂H₂), 99.1 (s, C_{3a}), 120.0 (d, C₂, C₆), 125.8 (s, C₄), 128.8 (d, C₃, C₅), 134.6 (d, C₃), 138.9 (s, C₁), 153.4 (s, C_{7a}), 157.2 (s, C₄), 169.3 (s, C₆), 171.5 (s, C=O); IR (KBr disc): $\nu_{\max}$ 3460, NH; 3325, NH; 3050, NH; 1655 and 1645, C=O; 1595 cm⁻¹, C=C. Anal. calcd for (C₂₅H₃₆N₆OS): C, 64.1; H, 7.7; N, 17.9. Found C, 64.2; H, 7.9; N, 17.7%.

Preparation of membranes from rat cerebral cortex and rat cerebellum

This followed a simplified version of the Gray and Whittaker method.^{5,13} Whole brains from Wistar rats (25 rats, 300–350 g) were immersed in 0.32 M ice-cold sucrose. The striata were explanted and placed in 10 mL ice-cold buffer (50 mM TrisHCl (Sigma), 10 mM MgCl₂, pH 7.4), to be used for the preparation of A_{2a} adenosine receptors. The cerebellum and remainder of the cerebral cortex was placed in 15 mL of ice-cold buffer (50 mM Tris-HCl, 1 mM MgCl₂, pH 7.4). The tissue was homogenized (Brinkman polytron) and the volume adjusted to 48.0 g. Homogenates were centrifuged (1000 g for 10 mins at 4 °C) and the supernatant (S₁) recentrifuged (35 000 g for 15 min at 4 °C). The supernatant (S₂) was discarded and every eight pellets (P₂) pooled and resuspended in ice-cold distilled water (30 mL) and the volume was adjusted to 48.00 g. The homogenates were recentrifuged (35 000 g for 15 min at 4 °C). The pellets (P₃) were pooled and resuspended in ice-cold buffer (60 mL of 50 mM Tris-HCl, 1 mM MgCl₂, pH 7.4). When stored at –30 °C, binding to the synaptosomal membranes remained unchanged for 1 month. The protein concentration was estimated using Pierce BCA protein assay reagent using a modified Lowry protein assay.¹⁴ Tissue samples were solubilized using 10 μ L of 10% SDS and were made up to 100 μ L. The standards contained 0 to 120 mg of protein. Five dilutions of tissue from 4 to 75% were sampled. The absorbance was read using a Titertek Multiscan MC Microtiter Plate Reader at 540 nM absorbance. The average concentration of A₁ tissue was 2.63 μ g/ μ L.

Preparation of membranes from rat striata

The buffer was drained from the striata and weighed. The striata were placed in 20 mL ice-cold buffer [50 mM Tris-HCl (Sigma), 10 mM MgCl₂, pH 7.4] and homogenised using the polytron, placed into centrifuge tubes and the volume adjusted to 48.00 g, and centrifuged (35 000 g for 15 min at 4 °C). The supernatant was discarded and the pellet resuspended in ice-cold buffer (10 mL of 50 mM Tris-HCl, 10 mM MgCl₂, pH 7.4). The homogenate was recentrifuged (35 000 g for 15 min at 4 °C). The supernatant was discarded and the pellets pooled and resuspended in ice-cold buffer (1 g of striata/10 mL of 50 mM Tris-HCl, 10 mM MgCl₂, pH 7.4). This was stored at –30 °C and remained unchanged for 1 month. The protein concentration was estimated using Pierce BCA protein assay reagent. The average concentration of A_{2a} tissue was 3.78 μ g/ μ L.

³H-(*R*)-*N*⁶-(phenylisopropyl)adenosine binding assay¹¹

Aliquots of A₁ tissue were thawed and preincubated with adenosine deaminase (1 mg/mL for 20 min at 37 °C; ADA, EC 3.5.4.4, Sigma) to remove endogenous adenosine. Between 0.3–0.5 mg of protein per replicate was incubated with 2 nM ³H-(*R*)-*N*⁶-(phenylisopropyl)adenosine (60 Ci/mmol, 1 mCi/mL, New England Nuclear) for 1 h at 37 °C in an incubation volume of 0.5 mL. Radioligand binding assays were performed over 10 concentrations in duplicates. Each compound was tested in two different experiments. The total volume of the A₁ assay was 0.5 mL. The compounds proved insoluble in buffer and hence the stock concentrations were made up in DMSO. The final concentration of DMSO in the assay was 1%. The assay was monitored against a control of total binding and non-specific binding each containing 1% DMSO. Non-specific binding was determined using cold CPA (0.1 mM final concentration). Reactions were terminated by the addition of 3 mL of ice-cold incubation buffer. This was filtered over Whatman GF/B Glass fiber filters and washed with two more 3 mL of ice-cold buffer washes. The filters were transferred to vials, thoroughly shaken with 3 mL of BCS scintillant fluid. Samples were equilibrated in the dark for a minimum of 6 h before counting for 1 min in a Packard Tricarb 2000CA series liquid scintillation Analyser at 40% efficiency.

The results from concentration–inhibition studies were analyzed with non-linear-least-squares curve-fitting program.¹⁵ A₁K_i values were calculated using the Cheng–Prusoff equation¹² using the average K_d value of ³H-PIA as 2.35 nM and a final ligand concentration of 2 nM. A₁K_i values are geometric means from two determinations, run in duplicate $\pm$ standard error.

³H-CGS21680 binding assay¹⁰

Aliquots of A_{2a} tissue were thawed and preincubated with adenosine deaminase (1 mg/mL for 20 min at 37 °C; ADA, EC 3.5.4.4) to remove endogenous adenosine. Between 0.3–0.5 mg of protein per replicate was

incubated with 5 nM ^3H -CGS21680 (48.6 Ci/mmol, 1 mCi/mL, New England Nuclear) for 95 min at room temperature. Radioligand binding assays were performed over 10 concentrations in duplicates. Each compound was tested in two different experiments. Total volume of the A_{2a} assay was 0.5 mL. The compounds proved insoluble in buffer and hence the stock concentrations were made up in DMSO. The final concentration of DMSO in the assay was 1%. The assay was monitored against a control of total binding and non-specific binding each containing 1 percent DMSO. Non-specific binding was determined using cold 2-CADO (0.1 mM final concentration). Reactions were terminated by the addition of 3 mL of ice-cold incubation buffer. This was filtered over presoaked (6 h) Whatman GF/B Glass fiber filters and washed with two more 3 mL of ice-cold buffer washes. The filters were transferred to vials, thoroughly shaken with 3 mL of BCS scintillant fluid. Samples were equilibrated in the dark for a minimum of 6 h before counting for 1 min in a Packard Tricarb 2000CA series liquid scintillation Analyser at 40% efficiency.

The results from concentration-inhibition studies were analyzed with non-linear-least-squares curve-fitting program.¹⁵ $A_{2a}K_i$ values were calculated using the Cheng-Prusoff equation¹² using the average K_d value of ^3H -CGS21680 as 14.9 nM and a final ligand concentration of 5 nM. $A_{2a}K_i$ values are geometric means from two determinations, run in duplicate $\pm$ standard error.

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