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Studies on the Syntheses of N-Heterocyclic Compounds. VII.¹⁾ 2-Aryl-5,8-disubstitutedpyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine

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When 2-aryl-5,8-dichloropyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine (1) was reacted with a variety of nucleophiles, such as amines, sodium methoxide, sodium azide, sodium sulfide etc., 5,8-disubstituted compounds (5) were obtained. Treatment of 2-phenyl-5-chloro-8-morpholinopyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine (9, $\frac{R}{R}$ N: morpholino) or 2-phenyl-5-morpholino-8-chloropyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine (10, $\frac{R}{R}$ N: morpholino) with nucleophiles gave the corresponding products with a different kind of substituents at 5- and 8-position (12 and 13). The phenyl group at 2-position seems to accelerate the substitution at position 5 and 8. The reaction of 2-phenyl-5,8-bis(substituted thio)pyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine (5) with chlorine afforded the dichloride (1, Ar: phenyl). Among the synthesized disbstituted compounds, 5v, 5h, 5i, 5j, 5k, 5m, 5C, 5E, 5F, 5K, 5M and 50 showed diuretic activity.

In the preceding paper¹⁾ nucleophilic mono-substitution of 2-aryl-5,8-dichloropyrimido-[4,5-d]pyridazine (1)³⁾ has been reported. This paper deals with the disubstitution reaction of 1 with various nucleophiles.

In regard to the nucleophilic substitution of 1,4-dichloropyridazine system (2), several papers are found in the literatures,⁴⁻⁸⁾ but none of them have succeeded in the disubstitution by aliphatic amine. On the other hand, the disubstitution of the dichloride (2) with arylamines occurs smoothly. According to Castle, et al.,⁸⁾ the difference in the reactivity between aliphatic and aromatic amines with 5,8-dichloropyrazino[2,3-d]pyridazine (3) can be explained on the basis of the higher electron donating capacity of aliphatic amines at C_5 which becomes effective after monosubstitution has taken place; i.e. the carbon atom at 8-position becomes more electronegative, which prevents the second nucleophilic attack to 8-position (Chart 1).

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 $\begin{tabular}{ll} Table I. & 2-Phenyl-5, 8-disubstituted pyrimido \end{tabular} ido [4,5-d] pyridazine (5) \\ \end{tabular}$

$$C_6H_5$$
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 R
 R

							Analysis (%)							
	R	mp (°C)	\mathbf{Y} ield (%)	Formula		Calcd.	•	Found						
					ć	H	N	Ċ	H	N				
a b c	C ₃ H ₇ NH iso-C ₃ H ₇ NH CH ₃ OC ₂ H ₄ NH	227—229 265 116—117	80.0 37.6 46.8	$C_{18}H_{22}N_6$ $C_{18}H_{22}N_6$ $C_{18}H_{22}O_2N_6$	67.08 67.08 63.88	6.83 6.83 6.55	26.09 26.09 24.84	66.15 66.75 61.10	6.55 6.65 6.30	25.72 25.93 24.07				
d	$C_2H_5OC_2NH$	125—127	29.0	$C_{20}H_{26}O_2N_6$	62.80	6.85	21.98	62.45	6.78	21.96				
e	H NH	223—226	68.5	$C_{24}H_{30}N_{6}$	71.61	7.51	20.88	71.65	7.69	20.81				
f	${ m C_6H_5CH_2NH} \ { m CH_{3N}}$	85—87	72.0	$\mathrm{C_{26}H_{22}N_6}$	74.62	5.30	20.08	74.33	5.41	20.30				
g	HOC ₂ H ₄ N	119—121	78.2	$\mathrm{C_{18}H_{22}O_{2}N_{6}}$	61.02	6.22	23.73	60.50	6.16	23.47				
ħ	N	141—142	80.0	$\mathrm{C_{20}H_{22}N_6}$	69.34	6.40	24.26	68.52	6.46	23.77				
i	N	144	80.0	$\rm C_{22}H_{26}N_{6}$	70.56	7.00	22.44	70.26	7.03	22.30				
j	Q_N	180—182	90.0	$\rm C_{20}H_{22}N_6O_2$	63.47	5.86	22.21	63.49	6.02	22.23				
k	CH ₃ O N CH ₃	165—167	68.0	$\mathrm{C_{22}H_{26}O_{2}N_{6}}$	65.02	6.40	20.69	65.30	6.38	20.64				
1	O N CH ₃	209—212	43.0	$C_{24}H_{30}O_2N_6$	66.33	6.95	19.34	65.98	6.93	19.26				
m	CH ₃ CH ₃ O N	149—153	64.0	$\mathrm{C_{24}H_{30}O_2N_6}$	66.33	6.95	19.34	66.55	6.99	19.21				
n	$CH_3 - N$ N	152—154	73.0	$\rm C_{20}H_{28}N_{8}$	63.16	7.37	27.74	64.49	6.89	27.10				
0	$C_6H_5CH_2-N$	181—182	20.0	$\rm C_{34}H_{36}N_{8}$	73.35	6.52	20.13	73.50	6.41	19.92				
p	S_N	198—200	68.0	$\mathrm{C_{22}H_{22}N_6S_2}$	58.54	5.37	20.49	58.25	5.28	20.33				
q	N	219—221	55.3	$C_{30}H_{26}N_{6}$	76.60	5.53	17.87	61.68	4.19	16.64				
r	NH	273	85.2	$C_{24}H_{18}N_6$	73.83	4.65	21.53	73.58	4.49	21.40				
s	Cl -NH	127—128	84.3	$\mathrm{C_{24}H_{16}N_6Cl_2}$	62.75	3.51	18.30	61.93	3.58	17.44				
t u v w	N ₃ CH ₃ O HS CH ₃ S	214—216 204—206 269—272 174—176	97.0 93.0 100 92.0	$C_{12}H_6N_{10} \\ C_{14}H_{12}O_2N_4 \\ C_{12}H_8N_4S_2 \\ C_{14}H_{12}N_4S_2$	49.66 62.76 52.94 56.00	2.07 4.48 2.94 4.00	48.28 20.80 20.59 18.67	49.53 62.65 49.82 55.52	2.35 4.53 2.59 4.03	48.01 21.04 19.19 18.63				
x	C ₃ H ₇ S	103—105	89.2	$C_{18}H_{20}N_4S_2$	60.66	5.66	15.72	60.93	5.66	15.77				
\mathbf{y}		209—212	100	$\mathrm{C_{24}H_{16}N_4S_2}$	67.92	3.80	13.20	67.86	3.63	13.18				
z	-CH ₂ S	189—192	87.7	$\mathrm{C_{26}H_{20}N_4S_2}$	68.17	4.58	12.72	67.93	4.46	12.81				

However, the reaction of **1** with excess of aliphatic amines under heating over 100° gave the corresponding 2-aryl-5,8-disubstitutedpyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine (**5**) in high yields. The reaction also proceeded under milder conditions, e.g. by refluxing with amines in ethanol, or even under room temperature in the case of the reaction with potassium hydrosulfide and sodium mercaptan. A variety of 2-phenyl-5,8-disubstitutedpyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine (**5**)

Table II. 2-Aryl-5,8-disubstitutedpyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine (5)

								Analysis (%)						
	Ar	$\begin{array}{ccc} & & \text{mp} & \text{Yield} \\ \text{(°C)} & \text{(%)} & & \text{Formula} \end{array}$		Formula	Calcd.			F						
						Ć	\mathbf{H}	N	ć	H	N			
A	CH ₃	iso-C ₃ H ₇ NH	273—274	66.0	$C_{19}H_{24}N_{6}$	67.86	7.14	25.00	67.92	7.11	25.41			
В	CH ₃	∑N ¹	226—228	70.0	$C_{23}H_{28}N_6HCl$	65.02	6.83	19.79	64.24	6.87	19.78			
C	CH ₃	Ó N	160—162	74.0	$\mathrm{C_{21}H_{22}O_{2}N_{6}}$	64.29	6.12	21.43	64.31	6.20	21.45			
D	CH ₃	N_3	214—216	97.0	$C_{13}H_8N_{10}$	51.32	2.63	46.05	51.32	2.52	46.15			
E	Cl-	N	180—181	40.6	$\mathrm{C_{22}H_{25}N_6Cl}$	64.62	6.16	20.55	64.45	6.20	20.50			
F	CI-	Ó_N	216—217	37.8	$\mathrm{C_{20}H_{21}O_{2}N_{6}Cl}$	58.18	5.13	20.36	57.88	5.34	20.22			
G	NO ₂ -	- (<u>N</u>	221—223	51.3	${ m C_{22}H_{25}O_{2}N_{7}}$	62.99	6.01	23.73	62.90	6.21	23.10			
H	NO ₂ -	o N	269270	50.8	${\rm C_{20}H_{21}O_4N_7}$	56.73	5.00	23.16	56.63	4.82	23.28			
I		O_N	216—218	40.0	$\mathrm{C_{24}H_{24}O_{2}N_{6}}$	67.28	5.65	19.63	67.22	5.69	19.51			
J	N	N	133	24.0	$C_{21}H_{25}N_{7}$	67.17	6.71	26.12	67.25	6.51	26.52			
K		(_)N	197	46.0	$C_{19}H_{21}O_2N_2 \cdot 1/_2H_2O$	58.59	5.58	25.70	58.98	5.58	25.70			
L	S -	Ň	158—159	52.6	$\mathrm{C_{20}H_{24}N_6S}$	63.14	6.36	22.09	63.31	6.35	21.59			
M	S	Ó_N	200—203	57.5	$C_{18}H_{20}O_2N_6S \cdot H_2O$	53.72	5.51	20.89	53.66	5.55	20.95			
N		N v	185	32.0	$C_{25}H_{33}ON_7 \cdot ^1/_2H_2O$	65.76	7.50	21.47	65.69	7.37	21.46			
0		Ó_N	222	66.5	$\mathrm{C_{22}H_{27}O_4N_7}$	58.28	6.00	21.62	58.03	5.96	21.57			

and 2-aryl-5,8-disubstitutedpyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine (5) was synthesized by those methods expecting pharmacological activities. The resulting compounds are listed in Table I and Table II.

Among those compounds 2-phenyl-5,8-bis(substituted thio)pyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazines (5w, 5x, and 5z) were synthesized by alkylation of 2-phenyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydropyrimido[4,5-d]-pyridazine-5,8-dithione (5v) with alkyl halide. 2-Aryl-5,8-diazidopyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazines (5t and 5d) were obtained by reaction of 1 with sodium azide in dimethylsulfoxide under cooling. It has been reported that one of the azide group in 3,6-diazidopyridazine⁹⁾ and 5,8-diazidopyrazino[2,3-d]pyridazine¹⁰⁾ exist in the form of tetrazolopyridazine structure. Therefore one of the azide groups in 5t and 5d is expected to cylize with pyridazine ring to form tetrazole ring. Two possible structures for the cyclized product can be proposed, namely 6-azido-9-phenylpyrimido[4,5-d]tetrazolo[4,5-d]tetrazolo[4,5-d]pyridazine (7). The nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectra of 5t and 5d showed a signal of ring proton (H_4) at 4-position as a singlet, which indicated that each product consisted of single compound. When 5t was heated with tetraline, a product (8a) which has one amino group in place of azido group was obtained, and the reaction of

5t with sodium methoxide gave a monomethoxy compound (8b). In the IR spectrum of those products the absorption band due to azido group, which was observed at 2130 cm⁻¹ in 5t and 5p, disappeared. This implies that another azido group which did not participate in the reaction had been cyclized to tetrazole ring.

In the NMR spectrum of 8b, the nuclear Overhauser effect (NOE) of 13.8% was observed between methyl protons of methoxy group and ring proton at 4-position. From these results the structure of 8b was as-

signed as 6-methoxy-9-phenylpyrimido[4,5-d]tetrazolo[4,5-d]pyridazine. Therefore the parent compound (5t) was assigned as 6 (Ar=phenyl) (Chart 3).

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As described above the nucleophilic disubstitution of 2-aryl-5,8-dichloropyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine (1) was found to proceed quite smoothly probably because of the effect by the
aryl group at 2-position. It has already been mentioned in the preceding paper that a mixture of monosubstituted compounds which consists of nearly equal amount of 5- and 8amine (9 and 10) was obtained when the reaction of 1 with amines was stopped halfway.¹⁾
Therefore the assisting effect of the phenyl group is considered to work on the further substitution reaction of both 9 and 10. In the compound 9, 5-position is supposed to be an
unfavorable position for the nucleophilic attack because of the electron donating effect of
the amino nitrogen at 8-position leading to the structure like (11). The resonance effect of
the 2-phenyl group, however, would be instrumental in delocalizing the electron at 5-position,
which assists the nucleophilic attack. On the other hand in the case of 10, the resonance
effect of the phenyl group makes 8-position electron-poor, which would assist the nucleophilic attack overcoming the reverse effect by the amine nitrogen at 5-position.

2-Phenyl-5,8-disubstitutedpyrimido-[4,5-d]pyridazines (12 and 13) which have different substitutents at 5- and 8-position were obtained by the reaction of 2-phenyl-5-chloro-8-morpholinopyrimido[4,5-d]-pyridazine (9, R)N: morpholino) and 2-phenyl-5-morpholino-8-chloropyrimido-[4,5-d]pyridazine (10, R)N: morpholino)¹⁾ with nucleophiles such as piperidine, sodium ethoxide and sodium hydroxide. Their physical data and yields is presented in Tables III and IV.

2-Phenyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydropyrimido-[4,5-d]pyridazine-5,8-dithione (**5v**) which was obtained by reaction of **1** with potassium hydrosulfide (Table I) could alternatively be prepared by reaction of 2-phenyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydropyrimido-[4,5-d]pyridazine-5,8-dione (**14**)³⁾ with phosphorus pentasulfide in pyridine. **5v**

was recognized to exist in thiolactam form in solid state by infrared (IR) spectrum (3125, 1563, 1553, and 1240 cm⁻¹ in Nujol). The treatment of **5v** with methyliodide, propylbromide, and benzylchloride in alkaline solution gave the corresponding 2-phenyl-5,8-bis(substituted thio)pyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine (**5w**, **5x**, and **5z**). 2-Phenyl-5,8-bis(phenylthio)pyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine (**5y**) was obtained by the reaction of **1** with sodium thiophenolate.

Although attempts to oxidize 2-phenyl-5,8-bis(substituted thio)pyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazines (5) expecting the formation of the corresponding sulfoxide or sulfone were made, no expected compounds were obtained. When the 5,8-bis(substituted thio) compounds (5w, 5x, 5y, and 5z) and the 5,8-dithione compound (5v) were treated with chlorine as oxidizing agent, 2-phenyl-5,8-dichloropyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine (1, Ar: phenyl) was obtained (Chart 5). Similar results have also been reported related to the displacement reaction of mercapto or substituted thio groups by chlorine in other heterocyclic systems. This method may be useful as an alternative route for the preparation of 1.

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Table III. 2-Phenyl-5,8-disubstitutedpyrimodo[4,5-d]pyridazine (12)

	R N-	R′	mp (°C)								
				\mathbf{Yield} (%)	Formula		Calcd.		Found		
	R					ć	H	N	ć	H	N
a	ó_'n	Ň	156—158	65	$\mathrm{C_{21}H_{24}ON_6}$	67.02	6.38	22.34	67.05	6.52	22.10
b	ON	C_2H_5O	156—157	60	$\rm C_{18}H_{19}O_2N_5$	64.10	5.64	20.77	64.41	5.58	20.96
С	$(\overline{})$	но	>305	70	$C_{16}H_{15}O_2N_5$	62.14	4.85	22.65	62.12	4.92	22.85

Table IV. 2-Phenyl-5,8-disubstitutedpyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine (13)

	R		:				Analysis (%)					
	>N-	R'	mp (°C)	$\frac{\mathbf{Yield}}{(\%)}$	Formula		Calcd.		-	Found		
	R				Ć	Ċ	H	N	Ċ	Н	N	
a	ó_jv	N	159—161	52	$\mathrm{C_{21}H_{24}ON_6}$	67.02	6.38	22.34	67.06	6.49	22.13	
b	O_N	C_2H_5O	143—144	60	${\rm C_{18}H_{19}O_2N_5}$	64.10	5.64	20.77	63.75	5.62	20.85	
c	Ó_N	НО	303305	84	$C_{16}H_{15}O_2N_5$	62.14	4.85	22.65	62.19	4.63	22.84	

Experimental

- 2-Phenyl-5,8-disbsutitutedpyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine (5) (Table I and Table II)—The general procedure is as follows: a) A mixture of 2-aryl-5,8-dichloropyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine (1) (1.0 g) and aliphatic amines (10 g) was heated at $100-150^{\circ}$ for 4-8 hr. After removal of the excess amine *in vacuo*, H₂O (about 100 ml) was added to the residue. The resulting crystals were filtered and recrystallized from EtOH to give 5.
- b) A solution of 1 (1.0 g) and arylamines (4 mole eq.) in EtOH (50 ml) was refluxed for 1 hr. After evaporation of the solvent, H_2O (about 100 ml) was added to the residue. The resulting solid was filtered and recrystallized from the appropriate solvent such as EtOH, AcOEt, and ether to give 5.
- c) To a solution of MeONa prepared from Na (460 mg) and MeOH (50 ml) was added the dichloride (1) (10 mmole) and the mixture was refluxed for 2—4 hr. After evaporation of the solvent *in vacuo*, H₂O (about 100 ml) was added to the residue. The resulting crystals were filtered and recrystallized from MeOH to give 2-phenyl-5,8-dimethoxypyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine (5u).
- d) To 10% KSH-EtOH (500 ml) was added the dichloride (1) (3.0 g) and the mixture was stirred for 5 hr under room temperature. After standing overnight, the solvent was evaporated *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in H₂O and the undissolved substance was removed by filtration. The filtrate was acidified was acidified with conc. HCl to yiel crystals, filtration and recrystallization of which from MeOH gave 2-phenyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydropyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine-5,8-dithione (5v). IR (in Nujol) cm⁻¹: 3125 (NH), 1563, 1553 (CSNH), 1240 (C=S).
- e) The dichloride (1) (1.0 g) was suspended in MeOH (200 ml) with stirring under room temperature and to the suspension was added the solution of sodium thiophenolate in MeOH (containing 2.5 mole equivalents of thiophenol). After stirring for 3 hr, the solvent was removed *in vacuo*. H₂O was added to the residue to yield yellow crystals which were filtered and washed with H₂O several times. Recrystallization from AcOEt gave 2-phenyl-5,8-bis(phenylthio)pyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine (5y) as yellow needles (1.5 g).
- 2-Phenyl-5,8-bis(alkylthio)pyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine (5w, 5x and 5z) (Table I)—To a solution of 2-phenyl 5,6,7,8-tetrahydropyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine-5,8-dithione (5v) (1 mmole) in 10% NaOH was added alkylhalide (CH₃J, C_3H_7Br and $C_6H_5CH_2Cl$) (2 mmole) with stirring under room temperature or at 50—60° for 3 hr. The resulting crystals were filtered and recrystallized from EtOH to give the corresponding 5,8-bis(alkylthio) compounds (5x, 5y, and 5z) as yellow needles.
- 6-Azido-9-arylpyrimido[4,5-d]tetrazolo[4,5-b]pyridazine (5t and 5n) (Table I and Table II)—The general procedure is as follows: DMSO (60 ml) was added to a mixture of the dichloride (1, Ar=phenyl, 3-tolyl) (3.0 g) and NaN₃ (2 mole eq.) with stirring under cooling. After stirring at room temperature overnight, the reaction mixture was poured into H_2O . The resulting crystals were collected by filtration and recrystallized from CHCl₃ to give 5t and 5n as cololess granules. Physical data of 5t is as follows: IR (in Nujol) cm⁻¹: 2150 (N₃). NMR (in d_6 -DMSO) τ : -0.10 (1H, singlet, ring proton), (in CF₃COOD): -0.47 (1H, singlet, ring proton).
- **6-Amino-9-phenylpyrimido**[4,5-d]tetrazolo[4,5-b]pyridazine (8a) A mixture of 5t and tetraline (10 ml) was heated at 160° for 5 hr. After cooling, the resulting crystals were collected by filtration and recrystal-lized from THF gave 8a (0.5 g, 47%), mp 218—219°. IR (in Nujol) cm⁻¹: 3300, 3460 (NH). An absorption band of azido group at 2150 cm⁻¹ in the starting material (5t) disappeared. Anal. Calcd. for $C_{12}H_8N_8$: C, 54.55; H, 3.03; N, 42.42. Found: C, 54.63; H, 2.97; N, 42.70.
- 6-Methoxy-9-phenylpyrimido[4,5-d]tetrazolo[4,5-b]pyridazine (8b)—To a solution of sodium methoxide prepared from Na (100 mg) and MeOH (50 ml) was added 5t (1.0 g), and the mixture was refluxed for 3 hr. After evaporation of the solvent in vacuo, $\rm H_2O$ (about 100 ml) was added to the residue to give crystals, which were filtered and recrystallized from THF to give 8b (0.8 g), mp 241—242°. The absorption band at 2150 cm⁻¹ (N₃) in 8t disappeared. NMR (in d_6 -DMSO) τ : -0.19 (1H, singlet, ring proton). NOE (in d_6 -DMSO, 100 Mc): NOE (13.8%) was observed between the ring proton (0.21 τ) and the methyl protons of methoxy group at 5-position (5.68 τ). Anal. Calcd. for $\rm C_{13}H_9ON_7$: C, 55.91; H, 3.23; N, 35.13. Found: C, 56.10; H, 3.26; N, 35.23.
- 2-Phenyl-5-piperidino-8-morpholinopyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine (12a) and 2-Phenyl-5-morpholino-8-piperidinopyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine (13a) (Table III and Table IV)—The general procedure is as follows: The monosubstituted compound (9 and 10, $\frac{R}{R}$ N: morpholino) (0.5 g) was heated with piperidine (5 ml) at 140—150° for 4—6 hr. After removal of excess amine, H₂O (about 50 ml) was added to the residue. The resulting crystals were collected by filtration and recrystallized from EtOH to give the corresponding disubstituted product (12a and 13a).
- 2-Phenyl-5-ethoxy-8-morpholinopyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine (12b) and 2-Phenyl-5-morpholino-8-ethoxy-pyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine (13b) (Table III and Table IV)—The general procedure is as follows: To a solution of EtONa prepared from Na (230 mg) and EtOH (50 ml) was added the monosubstituted compound (9 and 10, $_{\rm R}^{\rm R}$): morpholino) (10 mmole) and the solution was refluxed for 1 hr. After evaporating the solvent, H₂O (about 200 ml) was added to the residue to give crystals, which were filtered and recrystallized from EtOH to give the corresponding disubstituted product (12b and 13b).

2-Phenyl-5,6-dihydro-8-morpholinopyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazin-5-one (12c) and 2-Phenyl-5-morpholino-7,8-dihydropyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazin-8-one (13c)—The general procedure 8i as follows: The monosubstituted compound (9 and 10, $\frac{R}{R}$ N: morpholino) (0.3 g) was refluxed with a mixture of 10% NaOH (3 ml) and EtOH (30 ml) for 5 hr. After evaporation of the solvent, H_2O (about 50 ml) was added to the residue. H₂O (about 50 ml) was added to the residue. An indissolved substance was removed by filtration and the filtrate was acidified with dil. HCl to yield crystals, which were filtered and recrystallized from dioxane to give the corresponding disubstituted product (12c and 13c). IR (in Nujol) cm⁻¹: 1650 (CONH) in both products.

2-Phenyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydropyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine-5,8-dithione (5v)—To a mixture of 2-phenyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydropyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine-5,8-dione (14) (1.2 g) and pyridine (50 ml) was added P_2S_5 (2.22 g) under reflux with stirring and the stirring was continued under reflux for 1 hr. After cooling, the solvent was evaporated in vacuo and the residue was poured into ice-water (50 ml). The resulting solution was heated on water bath for 2 hr. After cooling, the solution was filtered and the filtrate was adjusted to pH 2 with conc. HCl. The above procedure was repeated twice on the resulting precipitates and the precipitates were refluxed with 95% EtOH for 1.5 hr. The resulting crystals were collected by filtration to give to give 5v as reddish orange granules (180 mg, 14%), mp 269—272°. The structure of this substance was confirmed by comparing its infrared spectrum (in Nujol) with that of authentic sample.

2-Phenyl-5, 8-dichloropyrimido [4,5-d] pyridazine (1)——a) 2-Phenyl-5, 6, 7, 8-tetrahydropyrimido [4,5-d]-pyridazine-5,8-dithione (5v) (1.0 g) was suspended in a mixture of AcOH (20 ml) and H₂O (1.2 ml) and chlorine gas was bubbled into the suspension under cooling for 2 hr. After excess chlorine was removed by passing N₂ to the solution, the solution was poured into ice-water (100 ml) with stirring. The resulting crystals were filtered to give the dichloride (1) (1.02 g, 68.5%), mp 211—213°. Anal. Calcd. for $C_{12}H_6N_4Cl_2$: C, 51.99; H, 2.17; N, 20.22; Cl, 25.49. Found: C, 52.22; H, 2.06; N, 20.57; Cl, 25.49. IR spectrum (in Nujol) of this substance showed complete identity with authentic sample.

b) To a solution of 2-phenyl-5,8-bis(methylthio)pyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazine (5w) (1.5 g) in CHCl₃ (50 ml) was passed chlorine gas under cooling for 2 hr. After evaporation of the solvent and excess chloride *in vacuo*, the dichloride (1) was obtained as crystalline residue (1.28 g, 70.3%). This substance was identified by comparing its IR spectrum (in Nujol) with that of authentic sample. 2-Phenyl-5,8-bis(substituted thio)pyrimido[4,5-d]pyridazines (5x, 5y, and 5z) were treated just in the same manner as described above to give the dichloride (1) in following yields: 5x (R=C₃H₆S), 54%; 5y (R=C₆H₅S), 78%; 5z (C₆H₅CH₂S), 70%.

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