## SYNTHESIS OF 1-R-2-AMINO-3-[2-(BENZ)AZOLYL]-4(5H)-KETOPYRROLES

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A study has been made of the interaction of 2-[2-(benz)azolyl]3-keto-4-chlorobutanenitriles with primary aliphatic amines. This is a convenient method for the synthesis of 2-amino-3-[2-(benz)azolyl]-4(5H)-ketopyrroles.

We had previously reported the preparation of 2-(2-azahetaryl)-3-keto-4-chlorobutanenitriles (I, II) by the acylation of 2-cyanomethylazaheterocycles with chloroacetyl chloride [1, 2]. We also studied the interaction of compounds I and II with primary amines, proceeding in two directions: (a) Alkylation of the amine, with subsequent intramolecular addition of the secondary amino group at the nitrile group to form 1-R-2-amino-3-(2-azahetaryl)-4(5H)-ketopyrroles, or (b) intramolecular alkylation under the influence of the amine as a base to obtain pyrrolo[1,2-a]azaheterocycles [2].

Here we are reporting new examples of the interaction of compounds I and II, and also the interaction of a previously unstudied nitrile (III), with aliphatic amines (IVa-n) to obtain 1-R-2-amino-3-(2-azahetaryl)-4(5H)-ketopyrroles (V-VII respectively).

Scheme 1

We found that with any of the three nitriles, in n-butanol medium with a twofold excess of the amine, the reaction proceeds smoothly, forming the 1-R-2-amino-3-[2-(benz)azolyl]-4(5H)-ketopytroles Vb-f,h-o, VIb-e,h-m, and VIIa-h,j,k,n with

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Compound	Empirical formula	Found N. % Calculated N, %	mp, °C	Solvent for recrys- tallization	Yield, %
Vb	C21H13N5O	<u>19,7</u>	. 254	n-Butanol	72
Vc	C23H32N4O	<u>15,3</u> 14.8	269	n-Butanol	70
Vd	C21H22N4O3	<u>14,7</u> 14,8	248	Acetonitrile	53
Ve*	C15H16N4O3S	<u>12,8</u> 12,6	>300	DMF	83
Vf	C17H20N4O	<u>19,5</u> 18,9	>300	n-Butanol	74
Vh	C14H16N4O		251	n-Propanol	67
Vi	C17H22N4O	<u>19,0</u> 18,8	234	Dioxane	54
Vj	C15H18N4O	<u>20,4</u> 20,7	259	Isopropanol	78
Vk	C16H20N4O2	<u>18,6</u> 18,8	255	Acetonitrile	58
VI	C16H14N4O2	<u>19,1</u> 19,0	254	Methanoi	52
Vm	C20H27N5O	<u>20,0</u> 19,8	288	Dioxane	67
Vn·HCl <sup>†</sup>	C16H22CIN5O	$\frac{21,1}{20,8}$	213	n-Butanol	85
Vo	C15H18N4O	<u>20,6</u> 20,7	239	Toluene	51

TABLE 1. Characteristics of 1-R-2-Amino-3(benzimidazol-2-yl)-4(5H)-ketopyrroles Vb-f,h-o

\*Found S 9.8%, calculated S 9.7%.

<sup>†</sup>Found Cl 10.6%, calculated Cl 10.6%.

yields of 60-90% (Scheme 1). If the amine needed for this reaction is very expensive or difficult to prepare, the reaction can be performed successfully by using one equivalent of the amine, plus triethylamine to bind the HCl. When 4-amino-2,2,6,6tetramethylpiperidine IVm is brought into reaction, the interaction proceeds through the primary amino group, since the secondary group carries an extremely high steric overload; however, in this case there is no need for a twofold excess of this diamine, since it acts simultaneously as a base on account of the secondary amino group. As a result, the corresponding aminoketopyrroles Vm and VIm are recovered from the reaction mixture; these are readily converted to the free base by treatment with a caustic solution. A similar picture is observed when using one equivalent of pentamethylenediamine VIn: The interaction involves only one of the amino groups, forming the hydrochlorides of the aminoketopyrroles Vn-VIIn. Similarly, the use of the sterically hindered tert-butylamine IVo gives the corresponding aminoketopyrrole Vo, but with a lower yield (51%). From all of the foregoing results, we can assume that this method for the synthesis of aminoketopyrroles is quite general.

As we had shown previously [3, 4], all of these compounds V-VII exist in the aminoketo form. In their PMR spectra in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>, in addition to the signals of the N-substituent and the 3-azahetaryl substituent, which are located in their respective characteristic regions, we observe a two-proton singlet of the cyclic methylene group in the 3.65-4.00 ppm region. The signals of the protons of the primary amino group are observed in the 8.30-8.60 ppm region in the form of two broadened one-proton signals as a result of nonequivalence of the amino-group protons, or in the form of a broad two-proton singlet as a result of rapid exchange. In the IR spectra of these aminoketopyrroles, there are two strong bands of stretching vibrations of the primary amino group in the 3340-3330 and 3150-3100 cm<sup>-1</sup> regions, with no absorption in the 1700-1620 cm<sup>-1</sup> region that is characteristic for a conjugated carbonyl group. Thus, the spectral characteristics indicate the presence of a  $\beta$ enaminoketone fragment, supporting our interpretation of the structure of the synthesized compounds.

An interesting result was obtained in the action of N-methyl-N-phenylhydrazine IVp on the halonitriles I-III. In the IR spectra of the products, which were obtained with yields of 60-80%, there is a strong band of stretching vibrations of the conjugated nitrile group in the 2200-2280 cm<sup>-1</sup> region. In their PMR spectra in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>, there is no primary amino-group signal, but there is a signal of the N-phenyl substituent in the form of a two-proton multiplet in the 7.1-7.0 region and a three-

proton multiplet in the 6.65-6.55 ppm region. The two-proton multiplet of the  $CH_2$  group is observed in the 4.5-4.3 ppm region. It is evident that the interaction proceeds through the primary amino group of the hydrazine IVp, since its basicity is  $10^5$  times higher; however, since the basicity of the hydrazine is approximately one-tenth that of aliphatic amines, the reaction stops in the alkylation stage without subsequent intramolecular addition through the nitrile group. Thus, the products synthesized from compounds I-III and the hydrazine IVp do not have any ketopyrrole ring (VIIIa-Xa respectively) (Scheme 2). Like the nitriles I-III, they may have two tautomeric forms (see Scheme 1).

## Scheme 2



VIIIb, IXb, XIa X =  $CH_2$ ; VIIIc, IXc, XIb X = O

Up to now, the question of the sequence of stages in reactions of this type has remained controversial. Some investigators [5] have proposed initial alkylation of the amine with subsequent intramolecular addition of the secondary amino group through the nitrile group; others [6] have proposed the alternative sequence. Our isolation of the noncyclic products VIIIa-Xa suggests that the first stage of the reaction is alkylation. In order to confirm this hypothesis, we introduced secondary amine hydrochlorides (XIa,b) into the reaction; as a result, we identified the alkylation products VIIIb,c and IXc.

In the PMR spectra (taken in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>) of the noncyclic alkylation products that were obtained, we find a broad oneproton singlet (or two-proton in the case of benzimidazole derivatives) in the 11.0-13.0 region, from the strongly deshielded chelated proton, and also a two-proton singlet in the 3.8-4.6 ppm region, from the C(O)CH<sub>2</sub>N group. The protons of the other substituents absorb in their own characteristic regions. In the IR spectra of these compounds, we observe a strong absorption band in the 2200-2180 cm<sup>-1</sup> region from stretching vibrations of the conjugated nitrile group; there is no absorption in the 1700-1620 cm<sup>-1</sup> region that is characteristic for conjugated carbonyl groups.

## **EXPERIMENTAL**

The course of the reaction was monitored by TLC on Silufol UV-254 plates in a 9/1 chloroform/methanol system. Infrared spectra were recorded on a Pye Unicam SP 3-300 instrument in KBr tablets. PMR spectra were recorded in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> or CF<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>D on a Bruker WP-100 SY instrument.

The elemental analyses of all of the synthesized compounds matched the calculated analyses (Tables 1-4). Spectral characteristics are listed in Table 5.

2-(4-Methylthiazol-2-yl)3-keto-4-chlorobutanenitrile III was obtained by a procedure given in [1]; mp 218°C (from dioxane). PMR spectrum (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): 13.3 (1H, br.s, N-H...O); 6.86 (1H, s, S-CH=); 4.42 (2H, s, CH<sub>2</sub>); 2.27 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>).

1-R-2-Amino-3-(benzimidazol-2-yl)-4(5H)-ketopyrroles (Vb-f,h-l,o). A. To 0.70 g (0.003 mole) of 2-(benzimidazol-2-yl)3-keto-4-chlorobutanenitrile I in 25 ml of n-butanol, 0.0065 mole of the appropriate amine IVb-l,o was added, and the reaction mixture was refluxed 6-10 h, until the original nitrile I had disappeared as indicated by TLC. Then the reaction mass was cooled, and the precipitate I was filtered off, washed with n-butanol and water, and recrystallized from an appropriate solvent (see Table 1). The filtrate was evaporated to dryness under vacuum in a rotary evaporator; the residue was drenched with water and triturated. The resulting crystals were filtered off and recrystallized from the same solvent as that used for the precipitate I. The two portions of purified crystals were combined. Yields of the products V are indicated in Table 1.

Com_ pound	Empirical formula	Found, % Calculated, %		mp, ℃	Solvent for re- crystallization	Yield, %
		N	S			
VIb	C21H18N4OS	<u>11,9</u> 11,7	<u>8,6</u> 8,9	281	THF	67
VIc	C23H31N3OS	<u>10,4</u> 10,6	<u>8,3</u> 8,1	287	n-Butanol	69
VId	C21H21N3O3S	<u>11,4</u> 11,0	<u>8,7</u> 8,4	271	DMF	76
Vle	C15H15N3O3S2	<u>12,0</u> 12,0	<u>18,1</u> 18,4	>300	DMF	64
VIh	C14H15N3OS	<u>15,2</u> 15,4	<u>11,5</u> 11,7	267	n-Butanol	73
VIi	C17H21N3OS	<u>13,4</u> 13,3	<u>10,3</u> 10,2	246	Dioxane	75
VIj	C15H17N3OS	<u>14,9</u> 14,6	<u>11,0</u> 11,6	257	Acetonitrile	64
VIk	C16H17N3O2S	<u>13,8</u> 14.0	<u>10,5</u> 10,7	232	Acetonitrile	69
νŪ	C16H13N3O2S	<u>13,7</u> 13,5	<u>10,8</u> 10,3	249	Methanol	88
VIm	C20H26N4OS	<u>15,0</u> 15,1	<u>8,1</u> 8,6	262	Dioxane	60

TABLE 2. Characteristics of 1-R-2-Amino-3(benzothiazol-2-yl)-4(5H)-ketopyrroles VIb-e,h-m

TABLE 3. Characteristics of 1-R-2-Amino-3(4-methylthiazolyl-2-yl)-4(5H)-ketopyrroles VIIa-h,j,k,n

Compound	Empirical formula	Found, % Calculated, %		mp, °C	Solvent for re- crystallization	Yield, %
		N	S			
VIIa	C15H15N3OS	<u>15,6</u> 15,5	<u>11,9</u> 11,9	247	n-Butanol	64
VIЉ	C18H18N4OS	<u>16,6</u> 16,6	<u>9,7</u> 9,5	268	DMF	63
VIIc	C20H31N3OS	<u>11,9</u> 11,6	<u>8,8</u> 8,9	255	n-Butanol	91
VIId	C18H21N3O3S	<u>12,0</u> 12,2	<u>9,5</u> 9,3	241	n-Butanol	69
V∐e	C12H15N3O3S2	<u>13,5</u> 13,4	<u>20,2</u> 20,4	>300	DMF	53
VIIf	C14H19N3OS	<u>15,3</u> 15,2	<u>11,6</u> 11,6	260	Acetonitrile	63
VПg	C16H17N3OS	<u>14,0</u> 14,0	<u>10,9</u> 10,7	250	n-Butanol	79
VIIh	C11H15N3OS	<u>17,9</u> 17,7	<u>13,5</u> 13,5	247	Acetonitrile	80
VПj	C12H17N3OS	<u>16,6</u> 16,7	<u>12,4</u> 12,8	210	Ethyl acetate	84
VIIk	C13H17N3O2S	<u>15,3</u> 15,0	<u>11,6</u> 11,5	198	Acetonitrile	48
VIIn•HCl*.	C13H21CIN4OS	<u>17,9</u> 17,7	<u>10,3</u> 10,1	267	n-Butanol	72

\*Found Cl 11.6%, calculated Cl 11.2%.

**B.** To 0.70 g (0.003 mole) of the nitrile I in 25 ml of n-butanol, 0.003 mole of an amine IVb-l, o and 0.45 ml (0.0035 mole) of triethylamine were added. The subsequent procedure was the same as in Method A.

1-R-2-Amino-3-(benzothiazol-2-yl)-4(5H)-ketopyrroles (VIb-e,h-l). To 0.75 g (0.003 mole) of 2-(benzothiazol-2-yl)-3-keto-4-chlorobutanenitrile II in 10 ml of n-butanol, 0.0065 mole of an amine IVb-f,h-l was added. The subsequent procedure

TABLE 4. Characteristics of 4-R-2-(2-azahetaryl)-3-ketobutanenitriles VIIIa-c, IXa,c, and Xa

Com- Empirical pound formula		Found, % Calculated, %		mp. °C	Solvent for re- crystallization	Yield. %
		N	s			
VIIIa	C18H17N5O	<u>21,7</u> 21,9	-	237 ·	Toluene	60
∨шъ	C16H18N4O	<u>19,6</u> 19,9	-	236	n-Butanol	18
VШс	C15H16N4O2	<u>19,9</u> 19,7	-	253	THF	30
IXa	C18H16N4OS	<u>16,9</u> 16,7	<u>9,6</u> 9,5	224	n-Butanol	77
IXc	C15H15N3O2S	<u>14,2</u> 13,9	<u>10,3</u> 10,6	244	n-Butanol	17
Xa	C15H16N4OS	$\frac{18,1}{18,7}$	<u>10,5</u> 10,6	183	n-Octane	58

TABLE 5. Spectral Characteristics of Compounds V-X

Com - pound	IR spectrum, cm <sup>-1</sup>	PMR spectrum (DMSO-d <sub>6</sub> ), $\delta_1$ , ppm; and SSCC (J), Hz
1	2	3
Vb	3310, 3160 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	11,84 (1H,br. s, NH <sub>Het</sub> ); 10,88 (1H, s, NHR); 8,39 (2H, s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7,76,9 (9H, $\overline{m}$ ,4H <sub>Het</sub> &5H <sub>arom</sub> R); 3,81 (4H, s, t, J - 8,0, COCH <sub>2</sub> &NCH <sub>2</sub> R); 3,04 (2H, t, J - 8,0, CCH <sub>2</sub> R)
Vc	3300, 3150 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	11,9 (1H,br. s, NH); 8,37 (2H, s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7,45 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 7,04 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 4,02 (1H, m, CHR); 3,82 (2H, s, COCH <sub>2</sub> ); 1,34 (22H, $\overline{m}$ , 11CH <sub>2</sub> R)
Vd	3320, 3180 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	11,8 (1H, br. s, NH); 8,38 (2H, s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7,47 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 7,046,85 (5H, m, 2H <sub>Het</sub> & $3H_{arom}R$ ); 3,78 (4H, s, distorted at base, COCH <sub>2</sub> &NCH <sub>2</sub> R); 3,74 & 3,71 (6H,two s, OCH <sub>3</sub> ); 2,83 (2H, t, CCH <sub>2</sub> R)
Ve*	3300, 3140 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	7,87,6 (4H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 5,14 (1H, m, NCHR); 4,56 (2H, s, COCH <sub>2</sub> ); 4,13,3 (4H, m, 2SCH <sub>2</sub> R); 3,02,6 (2H, m, CCH <sub>2</sub> R)
Vf	3280, 3180 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	11,6 (1H,br. s, NH); 8,38 (2H, s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7,46 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 7,03 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 3,80 (3H, s, distorted at base, COCH <sub>2</sub> & NCHR); 1,751,39 (10H, m, 5CH <sub>2</sub> R)
Vh	3300, 3120 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	11,55 (1H, s, NH); 8,42 (2H, s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7,43 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 7,02 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 4,23 (1H, m, NCH); 3,78 (2H, s, COCH <sub>2</sub> ); 1,19 (6H, d, 2CH <sub>3</sub> )
Vi	3280, 3175 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	10,90 (1H, s, NH); 8,16 (2H, s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7,45 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 7,07 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 3,85 (2H, s, COCH <sub>2</sub> ); 3,46 (2H, t, NCH <sub>2</sub> R); 1,631,34 (8H, m, 4CH <sub>2</sub> R); 0,90 (3H, t, CH <sub>3</sub> )
Vj	3310, 3120 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	11,60 (1H, s, NH); 8,68 (1H, s, NHNH <sub>2</sub> ); 8,22 (1H, s, NHNH <sub>2</sub> ); 7,46 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 7,03 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 4,01 (1H, m, NCH); 3,76 (2H, s, COCH <sub>2</sub> ); 1,56 (2H, m, CH <sub>2</sub> R); 1,16 (3H, d, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 0,86 (3H, t, CH <sub>3</sub> )
Vk	3290, 3130 (NH2)	11,75 (1H,br. s, NH); 8,38 (2H, s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7,47 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 7,04 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 4,053,33 (7H, m, COCH <sub>2</sub> , OCHR, OCH <sub>2</sub> R & NCH <sub>2</sub> R); 2,111,44 (4H, m, 2CH <sub>2</sub> R)
٧l	3320, 3160 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	11,9 (1H,br. s, NH); 8,61 (2H, s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7,67 (1H, distorted s, OCHR); 7,50 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 7,08 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 6,46 (2H, distorted s, 2CCHR); 4,75 (2H, s, CH <sub>2</sub> R); 3,81 (2H, s, COCH <sub>2</sub> )
Vm	3350, 3180 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	11,58 (1H, bī. s, NH <sub>Het</sub> ); 8,67 (1H, s, NHNH <sub>2</sub> ); 8,28 (1H, s, NHNH <sub>2</sub> ); 7,45 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 7,04 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 4,33 (1H, m, NCHR); 3,76 (2H, s, COCH <sub>2</sub> ); 3,45 (1H,br. s, NHR); 1,57 (4H, d, d, 2CH <sub>2</sub> R); 1,28 (6H, s, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 1,12 (6H, s, CH <sub>3</sub> )
Vn•HC)	3300, 3060 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	11,71 (1H, br. s, NH); 8,48 (2H, s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7,94 (3H, br. s NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup> Cl <sup>-</sup> ); 7,45 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 7,03 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 3,88 (2H, s, COCH <sub>2</sub> ); 3,37 (2H, t, NCH <sub>2</sub> ); 2,77 (2H, t, CH <sub>2</sub> NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup> Cl <sup>-</sup> ); 1,57 (6H, m, 3CH <sub>2</sub> R)
Vo	3360, 3200 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	11,57 (1H,br. s, NH); 8,38 (2H, s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7,45 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 7,05 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 3,99 (2H, s, CH <sub>2</sub> ); 1,47 (9H, s, <i>t</i> -Bu)
VЪ	3300, 3140 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	10,52 (1H, s, NH); 8,41 (2H, s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7,96,9 (9H, m, 4H <sub>Het</sub> & SH <sub>aron</sub> ;R); 3,84 (4H, s, t, J = 8,0, COCH <sub>2</sub> & NCH <sub>2</sub> R); 3,00 (2H, t, J = 8,0, CCH <sub>2</sub> R)
VIc	3290, 3120 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	8,54 (2H, s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7,85 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 7,30 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 4,04 (1H, m, NCHR); 3,87 (2H, s, COCH <sub>2</sub> ); 1,35 (22H, m, 11CH <sub>2</sub> R)

1	2	3
Vld	3320, 3160 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	8.1 9.0 (2H,br. s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7.80 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 7.30 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 6.85 6.95 (3H, two distorted s, H <sub>arom</sub> R; 3.79 (4H, s, distorted at base. COCH <sub>2</sub> & NCH <sub>2</sub> R); 3.73 3.71 (6H, two s, OCH <sub>3</sub> ); 2.94 (2H, t. $J = 7.0$ , CCH <sub>2</sub> R)
Vle	3290, 3120 (NH <sub>2</sub> ), 1300, 1110 (SO <sub>2</sub> )	8,71 (2H, s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7,85 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 7,30 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 4,92 (1H, m, NCHR); 3,95 (2H, s, COCH <sub>2</sub> ); 3,44 (4H, m, 2SCH <sub>2</sub> R); 2,4 (2H, m, CCH <sub>3</sub> R)
Vlh	3310, 3170 (NH2)	8,50 (2H,br. s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7,8 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 7,3 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 4,27 (1H, m, NCH): 3,81 (2H, s, COCH <sub>2</sub> ): 1,21 (6H, d, $J = 10,0,2$ CH <sub>2</sub> )
VIi	3320, 3150 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	8,46 (2H,br. s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7,80 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 7,28 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 3,85 (2H, s, COCH <sub>2</sub> ); 3,45 (2H, t, $J = 7NCH_2R$ ); 1,571,29 (8H, m, 4CH <sub>3</sub> R); 0.87 (3H, t, CH <sub>3</sub> )
VIj	3310, 3160 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	8,54 (2H, br. s. NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7,85 (2H, m. H <sub>Het</sub> ); 7,23 (2H, m. H <sub>Het</sub> ); 4,05 (1H, m.NCHR); 3,76 (2H, s. COCH <sub>2</sub> ); 1,53 (2H, m. CH <sub>2</sub> R); 1,17 (3H, d. $J = 8.0$ , CH <sub>3</sub> ); 0,86 (3H, t. CH <sub>3</sub> )
Vik	3295, 3120 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	8,47 (2H, s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7,85 (2H, m. H <sub>Het</sub> ); 7,25 (2H, m. H <sub>Het</sub> ); 4,23,4 (7H, m, COCH <sub>2</sub> , OCH <sub>2</sub> , OCH <sub>2</sub> R & NCH <sub>2</sub> R); 2,111,44 (4H, m, 2CH <sub>2</sub> R)
VII	3255, 3055 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	8,74 (2H, br. s. NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7,7 (3H, m, 2H <sub>Het</sub> & OCHR); 7,3 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 6,47 (2H, distorted s, 2CCHR); 4,77 (2H, s. CH <sub>2</sub> R); 3,79 (2H, s. COCH <sub>2</sub> )
Vim	3340, 3170 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	8,60 (2H,br. s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7.8 (2H, m, $H_{Het}$ ); 7.4 (2H, m, $H_{Het}$ ); 4,38 (1H, m, NCHR); 3,77 (2H, s, COCH <sub>2</sub> ); 3,56 (1H,br. s, NH); 1,57 (4H, d.d., 2CH <sub>2</sub> R); 1,26 (6H, s, 2CH <sub>3</sub> ); 1,09 (6H, s, 2CH <sub>3</sub> )
VIIa	3300, 3160 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	8,54 (2H, S, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7,32 (5H, distorted s, Ph); 6,75 (1H, S, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 4,72 (2H, S, CH <sub>2</sub> R); 3,69 (2H, S, COCH <sub>2</sub> ); 2,33 (3H, S, CH <sub>3</sub> )
VШь	3240, 3090 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	10,87 (1H, s, NH); 8,33 (2H, s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7,76,9 (5H, m, H arom R); 6,72 (1H, s, $H_{He1}$ ); 3,74 (4H, s, t, $J = 10.5$ , COCH <sub>2</sub> & NCH <sub>2</sub> R); 3,00 (2H, t, $J = 10.5$ , CCH <sub>2</sub> R); 2,31 (3H, s, CH <sub>1</sub> )
VIIc	3320, 3160 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	8,3 (2H,br. s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 6,8 (1H, s, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 4,0 (1H, m, NCHR); 3,8 (2H, s, COCH <sub>2</sub> ); 3,3 (3H, s, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 1,9, 1,2 (22H, m, 11CH <sub>2</sub> )
VIId	3320, 3170 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	8,29 (2H, br. s NH <sub>2</sub> ); 6,85 (3H, distorted d, $H_{arom}R$ ; 6,72 (1H, s, $H_{Het}$ ); 3,68 (2H, t, $J = 7,5$ , NCH <sub>2</sub> ); 3,733,71 (8H, 3 s, COCH <sub>2</sub> ); 2,81 (2H, t, $J = 7,5$ , ArCH <sub>2</sub> ); 2,31 (3H, S, CH <sub>3</sub> )
VIIe	3290, 3145 (NH <sub>2</sub> ), 1310, 1120 (SO <sub>2</sub> )	8,51 (2H, br. s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 6,77 (1H, s, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 4,87 (1H, m, CHR); 3,87 (2H, s, COCH <sub>2</sub> ); 3,41 (6H, m, 3CH <sub>2</sub> R); 2,3! (3H, s, CH <sub>3</sub> )
V∐f	3300, 3160 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	8,31 (2H, s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 6,73 (1H, s, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 3,73 (3H, s, distorted at base, COCH <sub>2</sub> & CHR); 2,30 (3H, s, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 1,731,37 (10H, m, 5CH <sub>2</sub> R)
VIIg	3295, 3120 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	8,28 (2H, S, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 7,29 (5H, S, Ph); 6,70 (1H, S, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 3,69 (4H, S, t, $J = 7$ , COCH <sub>2</sub> & NCH <sub>2</sub> ); 2,89 (2H, t, $J = 7$ ,0, PhCH <sub>2</sub> ); 2,30 (3H, S, CH <sub>3</sub> )
VIIh	3300, 3040 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	8,3 (2H, br. s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 6,70 (1H, s, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 4,20 (1H, m, NCH); 3,70 (2H, s, CH <sub>2</sub> ); 2,30 (3H, s, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 1,17 (6H, $d_1 J = 7.5$ , CH <sub>3</sub> )
VIIi	3310, 3170 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	8,29 (2H, br. s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 6,72 (1H, s, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 3,77 (2H, s, COCH <sub>2</sub> ); 3,39 (2H, t, $J = 10,0$ , NCH <sub>2</sub> ); 1,541,27 (8H, m, 4CH <sub>2</sub> ); 2,30 (3H, s, CH <sub>3</sub> H <sub>et</sub> ); 0,87 (3H, t, CH <sub>3</sub> R)
VIIj	3310, 3130 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	8,30 (2H, br. s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 6,70 (1H, s, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 3,97 (1H, m, NCHR); 3,66 (2H, s, COCH <sub>2</sub> ); 2,30 (3H, s, CH <sub>3</sub> H <sub>et</sub> ); 1,54 (2H, m, CH <sub>2</sub> R); 1,14 (3H, d, CH <sub>3</sub> R); 0,84 (3H, t, CH <sub>3</sub> R)
VIIk	3300, 3160 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	8,29 (2H, s, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 6,73 (1H, s, H <sub>Hel</sub> ); 4,23,2 (7H, m, COCH <sub>2</sub> + OCH <sub>R</sub> + OCH <sub>2</sub> R + NCH <sub>2</sub> R); 2,31 (3H, s, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 2,01,4 (4H, m, 2CH <sub>2</sub> R)
VIIn • HCl	3300, 3160 (NH <sub>2</sub> )	8.33 (2H, S, NH <sub>2</sub> ); 6.70 (1H, S, H <sub>He1</sub> ); 3.77 (2H, S, COCH <sub>2</sub> ); 3.44 (5H, S, $t_{i}$ , $J = 7.0$ , NCH <sub>2</sub> + NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup> CI); 2.74 (2H, $t_{i}$ , $J = 8.0$ , CH <sub>2</sub> NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup> CI); 2.31 (3H, S, CH <sub>3</sub> ); 1.54 (6H, m, 3CH <sub>2</sub> )
	2180 (CN)	12,87 (2H, 5. NH <sub>Het</sub> ); 7,45 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 7,04 (4H, m, 2H <sub>Het</sub> & 2m-H <sub>ph</sub> ); m, 6,65 (3H, m, 2 o-&1 p-H <sub>P</sub> ); 4,41 (2H, s, CH <sub>2</sub> ); 3,7 (1H, s, NH); 3,06 (3H, s, NCH <sub>3</sub> )
VIIIb	2190 (CN)	7.43 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 7.08 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 3.82 (2H, s. COCH <sub>2</sub> ); 2.93 (4H, t. 2CH <sub>2</sub> N); 1.62 (6H, m, 3CH)
VIIIc	2200 (CN)	12.7 (2H, br. s, NH); 7,47 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 7,20 (2H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 3,58 (4H, t, 2CH <sub>2</sub> O); 3,34 (2H, s, COCH <sub>2</sub> ); 2,54 (4H, t, 2CH <sub>2</sub> N)
IXa	2185 (CN)	13,5 (1H, s, NH0); 7,08,0 (6H, m, 4H <sub>Het</sub> & 2 m-H <sub>Pb</sub> ); 6,6 (3H,m, 2 - & 1 p-H <sub>Pb</sub> ); 4,49 (2H, s, CH <sub>2</sub> ); 3,7 (1H, s, NH); 3,04 (3H, s, NCH <sub>3</sub> )
IXc	2185 (CN)	10.55 (1H, br. s, NH); 7,07,6 (4H, m, H <sub>Het</sub> ); 4,95 (2H, s, COCH <sub>2</sub> ); 3,93 (4H, t, 2CH <sub>2</sub> O); 3.40 (4H, t, 2CH <sub>2</sub> N)
Xa	2195 (CN)	13,1 (1H, s, NH-O); 7,13 (2H, d.d., $J = 7.0 \& J = 8.0, m-H_{Pb}$ ); 6,59 (3H, m, 2 $o-\& 1 p-H_{Pb}$ ); 4,37 (2H, s, CH <sub>2</sub> ); 3,3 (1H,br. s, NH); 3,01 (3H, s, NCH <sub>3</sub> ); 2,26 (3H, s, CH <sub>3</sub> Het)

\*PMR spectrum taken in  $CF_3CO_2D$ .

was the same as shown for Method A. The products VI can also be obtained by Method B. The recrystallization solvents and the product yields are listed in Table 2.

1-R-2-Amino-3-(4-methylthiazol-2-yl)-4(5H)-ketopyrroles (VIIa-h,j,k). To 0.65 g (0.003 mole) of 2-(4-methylthiazol-2-yl)-3-keto-4-chlorobutanenitrile III in 5 ml of n-butanol, 0.0065 mole of an amine IVa-h,j,k was added. The subsequent procedure was the same as shown for Method A. The products VII can also be synthesized by Method B. The recrystallization solvents and the product yields are listed in Table 3.

1-(2,2,6,6-Tetramethylpiperidin-4-yl)-4(5H)-ketopyrrolesand1-(5-aminoamyl)-2-amino-3-[2-(benz)azolyl]-4(5H)ketopyrroles (Vm,n, VIm, VIIn). To 0.003 mole of a 2-(2-azahetaryl)-3-keto-4-chlorobutanenitrile I-III in 25, 10, or 5 ml of n-butanol, respectively, 0.40 ml (0.0035 mole) of cadaverine IVn or 0.55 ml (0.0035 mole) of 4-amino-2,2,6,6tetramethylpiperidine IVm was added. The mixture was refluxed 8-12 h until the original nitrile I-III had disappeared as indicated by TLC. The mixture was cooled, and the precipitate was filtered off and washed with n-butanol. The resulting crystals were suspended in water, and a 2% aqueous NaOH solution was added until the mixture gave an alkaline reaction. Then the suspension was heated to boiling and cooled. If the reaction was still alkaline, the crystals were filtered off and washed with water; otherwise, the treatment with 2% NaOH solution was repeated. The product yields are shown in Tables 1-3.

**4-R-2[2-(Benz)azolyl]-3-ketobutanenitriles (VIIIa-c, IXa,c, Xa).** To 0.003 mole of a nitrile I-III in 25, 10, or 5 ml of n-butanol, respectively, there was added 0.0065 mole of N-methyl-N-phenylhydrazine IVp, the hydrochloride XIa, or piperidine XIb.\* The mixture was refluxed 7-10 h until the original nitrile I-III had disappeared as indicated by TLC. Subsequently, Method A was followed. The recrystallization solvents and product yields are listed in Table 4.

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