

**SYNTHESIS AND REACTIONS OF 5-ACETYL-2-AMINO-3-CYANO-4-(5-X-2-FURYL)-6-METHYL-4H-PYRANS**

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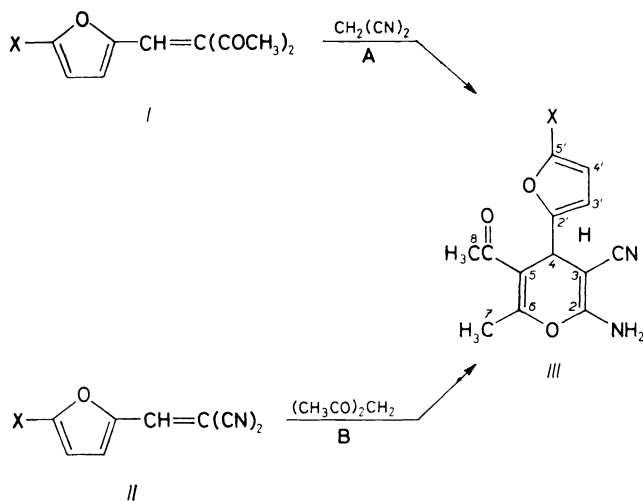
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Substituted 2-amino-4-(5-X-2-furyl)-4H-pyrans *IIIa–IIIe* have been prepared by a cyclization reaction of 5-X-2-furylmethylenepropanedinitriles *IIa–IIe* with 2,4-pentanedione. In reaction of 3-(5-X-2-furyl)methylene-2,4-pentanediones *Ia–Ie* with propanedinitrile the formation of 4H-pyrans *IIIa–IIIe* is accompanied, depending on the catalyst type, by the formation of 5-X-2-furylmethylenepropanedinitriles *IIa–IIe*. 2-(4-Methylbenzylideneamino)-4H-pyran (*V*), 2-formylamino-4H-pyran (*VI*), and 3H,5H-pyrano[2,3-d]pyrimidine-4-one (*VII*) have been synthesized by functional modifications of the amino group in 4H-pyran *IIIa*. The transformation of 4H-pyran ring into pyridine ring gives — from 4H-pyran *IIIa* — 5-acetyl-3-cyano-4-(2-furyl)-6-methyl-3,4-dihydro-2(1H)-pyridone (*VIII*) and 5-acetyl-2-amino-3-cyano-4-(2-furyl)-6-methylpyridine (*IX*). The structure of synthesized compounds *III–IX* has been proved by means of IR, UV, and NMR spectra.

Substituted 2-amino-3-cyano-4H-pyrans are accessible either by cyclization reactions of arylalkylidenepropanedinitriles with  $\alpha$ -methylene ketones<sup>1–6</sup> or  $\alpha$ -arylalkylidene ketones with propanedinitrile<sup>1,3,7,8</sup>. The authors<sup>9</sup> described a reaction of 3-benzylidene-2,4-pentanedione with propanedinitrile giving — in the presence of piperidine — 5-acetyl-2-amino-3-cyano-6-methyl-4-phenyl-4H-pyran. In context of studies of furylethylene derivatives carried out in our laboratory we tried to make use of the accessible 3-(5-X-2-furyl)methylene-2,4-pentanediones<sup>10</sup> *I* and 5-X-2-furylmethylenepropanedinitriles *II* in an analogous synthesis of new 4H-pyrane derivatives containing a 2-furyl residue at 4-position. The aim of the present communication was to find suitable conditions for synthesis of 4H-pyrans *III* and to examine their reactivity.

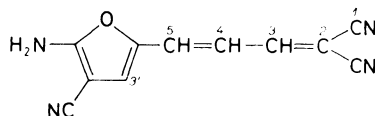
3-(5-X-2-Furyl)methylene-2,4-pentanediones *Ia–Ie* react with propanedinitrile in the presence of sodium ethoxide as a catalyst to give the corresponding 5-X-2-furylmethylenepropanedinitriles *IIa–IIe* in the yields of 50–79% (Scheme 1). Formation of 4H-pyrans *III* was not observed in any case. The reaction product, after elimination of 2,4-pentanedione anion, is the more conjugated and, hence, thermodynamically more stable 5-X-2-furylmethylenepropanedinitrile<sup>11,12</sup> (as compared with the starting derivative *I*).



In formulae I – III: a, X = H b, X = CO<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub> c, X = C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>S  
 d, X = CH<sub>3</sub> e, X = C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>O

SCHEME 1

The reaction of 3-(2-furyl)methylene-2,4-pentanedione (*Ia*) with propanedinitrile catalyzed with piperidine gives the 4*H*-pyran derivative *IIIa* (yield 70%) along with a violet substance *IV* melting at 222–225°C. The latter was separated from *IIIa* by fraction crystallization from acetone. The elemental analysis and spectral data obtained for compound *IV* agree with the suggested structure of 5-(5-amino-4-cyano-2-furyl)-2-cyano-2,4-pentadienenitrile. The IR spectrum of compound *IV* exhibits an intensive absorption band at 2200 cm<sup>-1</sup> typical of a conjugated CN group as well as absorption maxima at 3330, 3255, and 3190 cm<sup>-1</sup> of the N—H valence vibrations. Its NMR spectrum shows five signals, the assignment to the individual olefinic protons H-3, H-4, and H-5 being carried out by the analysis of this three-spin system AMX. The formation of compound *IV* can be explained by the transformation of the starting 3-(2-furyl)methylene-2,4-pentanedione (*Ia*) into 2-furylmethylenepropanedinitrile (*Iia*) which reacts with another propanedinitrile molecule. This compound *IV* was prepared by Čepec<sup>13</sup> for the first time.



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Also in the case of the other 3-(5-X-2-furyl)methylene-2,4-pentanediones *Ib–Ie* the formation of 4*H*-pyrans *IIIb–IIIe* in the presence of piperidine is accompanied by the formation of the corresponding 5-X-2-furylmethylenepropanedinitriles *I Ib–I Ie*. The presence of compounds *I Ib–I Ie* was identified by the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of the raw reaction product. The 4*H*-pyrans were isolated by crystallization and obtained in average yield of 47–70% (method *A*, Table I).

The piperidine catalyzed cyclization of 5-X-2-furylmethylenepropanedinitriles *I Ia–I Ie* with 2,4-pentanedione (method *B*) provides the corresponding 2-amino-5-acetyl-3-cyano-6-methyl-4*H*-pyrans *IIIa–IIIe* in very good yields 67–94% (Table I). Compared with the method *A*, this method is more advantageous for syntheses of 4*H*-pyrans *III*, because it not only gives higher yields but also it devoid of any side reactions of the starting substrate. The unsubstituted derivative *IIIa* and other 2-amino-3-cyano-4*H*-pyrans with various substituents were described recently by Ibrahim<sup>14</sup>.

The physico-chemical characteristics found by us for compound *IIIa* do not agree with the constants given in ref.<sup>14</sup>. The structure of synthesized 2-amino-3-cyano-4-(5-X-2-furyl)-4*H*-pyrans *IIIa–IIIe* was confirmed by elemental analysis and spectral methods. The IR spectra show typical absorption maxima of valence vibrations of a cyclic enamionitrile grouping at 2 185–2 200 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C≡N) and 3 307 to

TABLE I  
5-Acetyl-2-amino-3-cyano-4-(5-X-2-furyl)-6-methyl-4*H*-pyrans *IIIa–IIIe*

Compound	Formula (M.w.)	M.p., °C	Yield, %		Calculated/Found		
			<i>A</i> <sup>a</sup>	<i>B</i> <sup>a</sup>	% C	% H	% N
<i>IIIa</i>	C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>12</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> (244·3)	159–161 <sup>b</sup>	70	82	63·92	4·96	11·47
					64·00	5·19	11·58
<i>IIIb</i>	C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>14</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (302·3)	152–154	69	94	59·59	4·68	9·27
					59·77	4·84	9·35
<i>IIIc</i>	C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>16</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> S (352·4)	132–133	61	85	64·75	4·59	7·95
					64·60	4·87	8·07
<i>III d</i>	C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>14</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> (258·3)	84–85	55	80	65·09	5·47	10·85
					65·35	5·51	10·79
<i>IIIe</i>	C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>16</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> (336·4)	123–125	47	67	67·84	4·80	8·33
					67·55	4·77	8·21

<sup>a</sup> For details of the syntheses of compounds *III* by procedures *A* and *B* see Experimental; <sup>b</sup> ref.<sup>14</sup> gives m.p. 220°C.

3 412  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (N—H) and of 4H-pyran and furane skeleton in the region of 1 500 to 1 700  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (Table II). The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of compounds *III* (Table III) exhibit a characteristic signal of methine group at 4-position ( $\delta = 4.58 - 4.71$ ). The signals of methyl groups have close chemical shifts and are observed as a single signal in compounds *IIIa*, *IIIc*, and *IIIe*. In the  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra these groups are well distinguished and are observed at  $\delta = \sim 29$  ( $\text{CH}_3\text{CO}$ ) and  $\delta = \sim 19$  ( $\text{CH}_3$  at C-6). Their assignment was carried out by comparing with the  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of 5-acetyl-2-amino-3-cyano-6-methyl-4-phenyl-4H-pyran and other 4H-pyrans<sup>15</sup> containing a 6-methyl group. The quaternary carbon atoms C-2 and C-6 have very close chemical shifts (Table IV), and their relative assignment was determined on the basis of geminal interactions of the protons of methyl group with the C-6 atom in the non-decoupled spectrum. The signal of the tertiary carbon atom C-4 lies at  $\delta = 32.6 - 33.1$ . The C-3 atom exhibits the resonance at a very high field  $\delta = 54.0$  to 55.1, which can be interpreted by the electron-donor effects of —O— and  $\text{NH}_2$  groups.

The formylation of 4H-pyran *IIIa* with the mixed anhydride of formic and acetic acids gave the 2-formylamino-4H-pyran *VI* (yield 83%), and the reaction of 2-amino-

TABLE II  
UV and IR spectra of 2-amino-3-cyano-4-(5-X-2-furyl)-4H-pyrans *IIIa—IIIe*

Compound	UV <sup>a</sup>		IR, $\tilde{\nu}$ , $\text{cm}^{-1}$				
	$\lambda_{\text{max}}$ , nm	$\log \epsilon^b$	N—H	C $\equiv$ N	C=O and C=C	C—O—C	
<i>IIIa</i>	239	3.31	3 373	2 190	1 700	1 660	1 205
	293 sh	2.31	3 307		1 667	1 647	
<i>IIIb</i> <sup>c</sup>	243	3.32	3 410	2 200	1 700	1 588	1 210
	263	3.30			1 668	1 440	
	337	2.78					
<i>IIIc</i>	212	3.09	3 410	2 200	1 700	1 588	1 220
	242	3.42			1 668	1 480	
	400	2.15					
<i>IIIe</i>	238	3.57	3 412	2 200	1 700	1 640	1 208
	278 sh	2.92	3 340		1 670	1 603	
	351	2.73					
<i>IIIe</i>	203	3.10	3 400	2 185	1 700	1 603	1 208
	237	3.32	3 330		1 670	1 490	
					1 645		

<sup>a</sup> Concentration  $1 \cdot 10^{-4}$  mol  $\text{l}^{-1}$ , methanol; <sup>b</sup> in  $\text{m}^2 \text{mol}^{-1}$ ; <sup>c</sup> 1 730  $\nu(\text{C}=\text{O})$  of the  $\text{COOCH}_3$  group.

-4*H*-pyran *IIIa* with 4-methylbenzaldehyde gave 2-(4-methylbenzylidene)amino-4*H*-pyran *V*. These reactions represent further evidence for the 2-amino group in 4*H*-

TABLE III  
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra ( $\delta$ , ppm) of 2-amino-4-(5-X-2-furyl)-4*H*-pyrans *IIIa–IIIe*

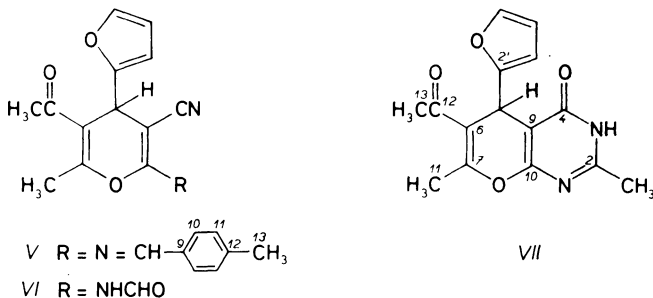
Compound	CH <sub>3</sub> <sup>a</sup>	H-4	H-3'	H-4'	NH <sub>2</sub>	X
<i>IIIa</i>	2.21 s	4.63 s	6.16 m	6.37 m	6.98 s	7.56 m
<i>IIIb</i>	2.19 s 2.21 s	4.71 s	6.38 d <sup>b</sup>	7.19 d	7.07 s	3.71 s
<i>IIIc</i>	2.18 s	4.66 s	6.30 d <sup>c</sup>	6.83 d	7.03 s	7.00–7.49 m
<i>III d</i>	2.21 s	4.58 s	5.98 m	5.98 m	6.95 s	2.21 s
<i>IIIe</i>	2.20 s 2.24 s	4.58 s	6.18 d <sup>d</sup>	5.65 d	7.00 s	6.92–7.55 m

<sup>a</sup> The CH<sub>3</sub>CO and CH<sub>3</sub> group at C-6; <sup>b</sup>  $J(3', 4') = 3.5$  Hz; <sup>c</sup>  $J(3', 4') = 3.4$  Hz; <sup>d</sup>  $J(3', 4') = 3.5$  Hz.

TABLE IV  
<sup>13</sup>C NMR chemical shifts ( $\delta$ , ppm) of 2-amino-3-cyano-4*H*-pyrans *IIIa–IIIe*

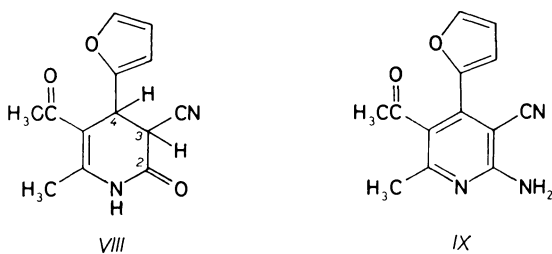
Carbon	<i>IIIa</i>	<i>IIIb</i>	<i>IIIc</i>	<i>III d</i>	<i>IIIe</i>
C-2	159.6 s	159.6 s	160.9 s	159.8 s	159.8 s
C-3	54.5 s	53.6 s	54.0 s	55.1 s	54.6 s
C-4	32.6 d	32.9 d	33.1 d	32.9 d	33.0 d
C-5	113.0 s	112.5 s	112.7 s	113.4 s	113.1 s
C-6	155.9 s	156.7 s	156.0 s	155.9 s	155.9 s
CN	119.7 s	119.5 s	119.5 s	120.1 s	119.9 s
CO	197.9 s	197.4 s	197.7 s	198.5 s	198.5 s
C-7	18.6 q	18.8 q	18.7 q	18.8 q	18.8 q
C-8	29.5 q	29.8 q	29.6 q	29.9 q	29.7 q
C-2'	155.8 s	158.1 s	159.5 s	154.4 s	148.6 s
C-3'	105.7 d	108.5 d	108.4 d	106.8 d	107.4 d
C-4'	110.5 d	119.5 d	121.4 d	106.8 d	90.5 d
C-5'	142.4 d	143.0 s	140.4 s	151.4 s	156.5 s
X	—	160.8 s 51.7 q	136.2 s 129.3 d 126.4 d 126.4 d	13.6 q	154.8 s 130.3 d 124.4 d 116.6 d

-pyrans giving characteristic reactions of amines<sup>7,16</sup>. The reaction of compound *IIIa* with acetanhydride gives 5*H*-pyrano[2,3-*d*]pyrimidine *VII* which is a cyclization product of the primary N-acetyl derivative. This reaction enables a simple synthesis of 5*H*-pyrano[2,3-*d*]pyrimidine skeleton<sup>17</sup>.



The reactions of ring opening and recyclization of 2-amino-4*H*-pyrans were studied by Soto et al.<sup>18</sup>. In accordance with their findings, heating of 4*H*-pyran *IIIa* with acetic acid gives 2-pyridone *VIII*. The transformation of 2-amino-4*H*-pyran *IIIa* into the pyridine *IX* containing the same ring substituents as those in *IIIa* was carried out by treatment with ammonium acetate in acetic acid.

Elemental analysis, IR, UV, NMR (<sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C), and mass spectra confirm the structures of the 4*H*-pyrane derivatives *V*–*IX* synthesized.



## EXPERIMENTAL

The melting temperatures were determined with a Boetius apparatus and are not corrected. The IR spectra were measured with a UR 70 (Zeiss Jena) apparatus in KBr, the wavenumbers are given in cm<sup>-1</sup>; the UV spectra were measured with a Specord UV VIS (Zeiss Jena) apparatus in methanol. The λ<sub>max</sub> values are given in nm, the log ε values correspond to the dimension of m<sup>2</sup> mol<sup>-1</sup>. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were measured with a Tesla BS 487 apparatus (80 MHz, CW mode) at 25°C in hexadeuteriodimethyl sulfoxide with hexamethyldisiloxane as the internal standard. The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were measured in hexadeuteriodimethyl sulfoxide at 25°C using a JEOL FX-100 apparatus (25.04 MHz, FT mode), the chemical shifts are related to the solvent signal δ = 39.50. The reaction courses and purity of the substances produced were fol-

lowed by TLC (Silufol, detection by UV light and by iodine vapours). The furylmethylene-2,4-pentanediones *Ia–Ie* were prepared by the Knoevenagel condensation of the corresponding 5-X-2-furanecarbaldehydes with 2,4-pentanedione according to ref.<sup>10</sup>. The 5-X-2-furylmethylene-propanedinitriles were obtained by condensations of 5-X-2-furanecarbaldehydes with propanedinitrile<sup>19</sup>.

#### 5-X-2-Furylmethylene-propanedinitriles *Iia–Iie*

A mixture of 5 mmol 3-(5-X-2-furylmethylene)-2,4-pentanedione *Ia–Ie* and 5 mmol propanedinitrile in 5 ml anhydrous ethanol was stirred and treated with two drops of 5% sodium ethoxide in ethanol. The mixture was stirred at room temperature 4 h. The separated solid was collected by suction and recrystallized from ethanol.

*2-Furylmethylene-propanedinitrile* (*Iia*): yield 62%, m.p. 69–70°C (ref.<sup>20</sup> gives m.p. 71–72°C). <sup>1</sup>H NMR: 6.73–6.88 m, 1 H (H-4'); 7.28–7.43 m, 1 H (H-3'); 8.08–8.28 m, 2 H (H-5' and H-α).

*5-Methoxycarbonyl-2-furylmethylene-propanedinitrile* (*Iib*): not yet described; yield 79%, m.p. 192–194°C. For C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>6</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (202.2) calculated: 59.40% C, 3.00% H, 13.86% N; found: 59.35% C, 2.91% H, 13.77% N. <sup>1</sup>H NMR: 3.83 s, 3 H (CH<sub>3</sub>); 7.38–7.50 m, 2 H (H-3' and H-4'); 8.34 s, 1 H (H-α).

*5-Phenylthio-2-furylmethylene-propanedinitrile* (*Iic*): yield 50%, m.p. 89–90°C (ref.<sup>21</sup> gives m.p. 85°C). <sup>1</sup>H NMR: 6.85 d, 1 H (H-4', *J*(3', 4') = 3.9); 7.35–7.50 m, 6 H (H<sub>arom</sub> and H-3'); 8.11 s, 1 H (H-α).

*5-Methyl-2-furylmethylene-propanedinitrile* (*Iid*): yield 57%, m.p. 89–91°C (ref.<sup>20</sup> gives m.p. 91–92°C). <sup>1</sup>H NMR: 2.39 s, 3 H (CH<sub>3</sub>); 6.54 d, 1 H (H-4', *J*(4', 3') = 4.0); 7.34 d, 1 H (H-3'); 8.08 s, 1 H (H-α).

*5-Phenoxy-2-furylmethylene-propanedinitrile* (*Iie*): not yet described; yield 55%, m.p. 94–95°C. For C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>8</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (236.2) calculated: 71.17% C, 3.42% H, 11.86% N; found: 71.05% C, 3.22% H, 11.61% N. <sup>1</sup>H NMR: 5.85 d, 1 H (H-4', *J*(4', 3') = 4.0); 7.32–7.44 m, 5 H (H<sub>arom</sub>); 7.46 d, 1 H (H-3'); 7.98 s, 1 H (H-α).

#### 5-Acetyl-2-amino-3-cyano-4-(5-X-2-furyl)-6-methyl-4H-pyrans (*IIia–IIie*)

*Procedure A*. Two drops of piperidine were added to a mixture of 5 mmol 3-(5-X-2-furylmethylene)-2,4-pentanedione *Ia–Ie* and 5 mmol propanedinitrile in 5 ml anhydrous ethanol with stirring. The mixture was stirred 4 h and left to stand at room temperature 12 h. The separated solid was collected by suction and recrystallized from ethanol. The yields of the products *IIia–IIie* are given in Table I.

In the synthesis of 4-(2-furyl)-4H pyran (*IIia*) the separated solid was collected by suction, and the mixture of compound *IIia* and furane derivative *IV* was separated by fraction crystallization from acetone. The more soluble violet substance with m.p. 222–225°C (ref.<sup>13</sup> gives m.p. 222–224°C) is 5-(5-amino-4-cyano-2-furyl)-2-cyano-2,4-pentadienenitrile (*IV*), the less soluble product is 4H-pyran *IIia*. Compound *IV*: yield 5%, for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>6</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O (210.2) calculated: 62.85% C, 2.88% H, 26.66% N; found: 62.70% C, 2.76% H, 26.49% N. IR spectrum: 3 330, 3 255, 3 190 (NH<sub>2</sub>); 2 220 (CN); 1 640, 1 600, and 1 570 (C=C<sub>arom</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR: 6.53 dd, 1 H (H-4, *J*(3, 4) = 12, *J*(4, 5) = 14); 7.20 d, 1 H (H-5); 7.40 s, 1 H (H-3'); 8.08 d, 1 H (H-3); 8.86 br. s, 2 H (NH<sub>2</sub>).

*Procedure B*. Two drops of piperidine were added to a mixture of 5 mmol 5-X-2-furylmethylene-propanedinitrile *Iia–Iie* and 5 mmol 2,4-pentanedione in 5 ml anhydrous ethanol with stirring.

The mixture was stirred 4 h and then was left to stand 12 h. The separated solid was collected by suction and recrystallized from ethanol. A survey of the 4H-pyrans *III* synthesized together with their physical characteristics are given in Table I.

5-Acetyl-3-cyano-4-(2-furyl)-6-methyl-2-(4-methylbenzylideneamino)-4H-pyran (*V*)

A mixture of 2.44 g 4H-pyran *IIIa* and 1.32 g 4-methylbenzaldehyde in 30 ml anhydrous toluene with catalytic amount of 4-methylbenzenesulfonic acid was refluxed 6 h. After concentrating the mixture to a half volume and cooling to 0°C, the separated product *V* was collected by suction and recrystallized from ethanol. Yield of 4H-pyran *V* is 2.4 g (69%), m.p. 187–188°C. For C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (346.4) calculated: 72.81% C, 5.25% H, 8.09% N; found: 73.03% C, 5.38% H, 8.23% N. UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{\max}(\log \epsilon)$ ): 229 (3.20), 293 (3.32), 333 (3.20). IR spectrum: 2 220 (CN); 1 699, 1 661, 1 622, 1 593, and 1 567 (CO and C=C<sub>arom</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR: 2.24 s, 3 H (CH<sub>3</sub>CO); 2.36 s, 3 H (CH<sub>3</sub>-C(6)); 2.40 s, 3 H (CH<sub>3</sub>); 5.06 s, 1 H (H-4); 6.35 m, 1 H (H-3'); 6.44 m, 1 H (H-4'); 7.39 d, 2 H (H-11, *J*(10, 11) = 7.8); 7.63 m, 1 H (H-5'); 7.90 d, 2 H (H-10); 8.92 s, 1 H (N=CH). <sup>13</sup>C NMR: 18.5 q (C-7), 21.6 q (C-13), 29.5 q (C-8), 34.2 d (C-4), 85.3 s (C-3), 107.5 d (C-3'), 110.8 d (C-4'), 111.7 s (C-5), 116.7 s (CN), 129.8 d (C-10), 130.1 d (C-11), 131.8 s (C-9), 143.3 d (C-5'), 144.4 s (C-12), 153.6 s (C-2'), 156.4 s (C-6), 157.4 s (C-2), 163.9 d (N=CH), 197.5 s (C=O).

5-Acetyl-3-cyano-2-formylamino-4-(2-furyl)-6-methyl-4H-pyran (*VI*)

A mixture of 4.6 g 99.7% formic acid and 10.2 acetanhydride was stirred at 50°C 1 h, cooled to room temperature, and treated with 4.88 g 4H-pyran *IIIa* and 15 ml formic acid. The mixture was stirred at room temperature 16 h and then poured into 100 ml ice water. The separated solid was collected by suction, thoroughly washed with water, and recrystallized from ethanol. Yield of compound *VI* was 4.5 g (83%), m.p. 144–146°C. For C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> (272.3) calculated: 61.75% C, 4.45% H, 10.29% N; found: 61.68% C, 4.36% H, 10.35% N. UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{\max}(\log \epsilon)$ ): 237 (3.36), 273 sh (2.86). IR spectrum: 3 210 (NH), 2 220 (CN), 1 710 (C=O), 1 690, 1 675, 1 655, 1 605, 1 504 (CO and C=C<sub>arom</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR: 2.24 s, 6 H (2 × CH<sub>3</sub>); 4.89 s, 1 H (H-4); 6.20 to 6.48 m, 2 H (H-3' and H-4'); 7.55 m, 1 H (H-5'); 8.56 s, 1 H (CH=O); 11.05 br. s, 1 H (NH).

5-Acetyl-4-(2-furyl)-2,7-dimethyl-3H,5H-pyrano[2,3-*d*]pyrimidin-4-one (*VII*)

A mixture of 2.44 g 4H-pyran *IIIa* and 10 ml acetanhydride was refluxed 7 h and then was left to stand 12 h. The separated solid was collected by suction, thoroughly washed with water, and recrystallized from ethanol. Yield of product *VII* was 1.2 g (42%), m.p. 228–230°C. For C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>14</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> (286.3) calculated: 62.92% C, 4.94% H, 9.79% N; found: 62.93% C, 5.11% H, 9.99% N. UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{\max}(\log \epsilon)$ ): 210 (3.14), 256 (3.05), 348 (2.10). IR spectrum: 3 440 (NH); 1 692, 1 673, 1 654, 1 600 (C=O and C=C<sub>arom</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR: 2.27 s, 9 H (3 × CH<sub>3</sub>); 5.04 s, 1 H (H-4); 6.14 m, 1 H (H-3'); 6.31 m, 1 H (H-4'); 7.46 m, 1 H (H-5'); 12.54 s, 1 H (NH). <sup>13</sup>C NMR: 18.8 q (C-11), 20.9 q (CH<sub>3</sub>), 29.6 q (C-13), 29.9 d (C-5), 97.9 s (C-9), 106.2 d (C-3'), 110.5 d (C-4'), 113.4 s (C-6), 142.0 d (C-5'), 154.8 s (C-2'), 157.0 s (C-7), 158.8 s (C-10), 160.5 s (C-2), 161.8 s (C-4), 197.8 s (C-12).

5-Acetyl-3-cyano-4-(2-furyl)-6-methyl-3,4-dihydro-2(1H)pyridone (*VIII*)

A mixture of 1.22 g 4H-pyran *IIIa* and 15 ml glacial acetic acid was refluxed 7 h, cooled to room temperature, left to stand 24 h, and decomposed with 50 ml ice water. After three days of standing



at room temperature, the product *VIII* was collected by suction and recrystallized from ethanol. Yield 0.75 g (61%), m.p. 168–170°C. For  $C_{13}H_{12}N_2O_3$  (244.3) calculated: 63.93% C, 4.95% H, 11.47% N; found: 63.68% C, 4.75% H, 11.40% N. UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{\max}(\log \epsilon)$ ): 216 (2.92), 292 (3.01). IR spectrum: 3 290 (NH); 2 268 (CN); 1 718, 1 708 (C=O); 1 666, 1 580, and 1 487 (C=C<sub>arom</sub>).  $^1H$  NMR: 2.24 s, 3 H (CH<sub>3</sub>CO); 2.34 s, 3 H (CH<sub>3</sub>); 4.57 d, 1 H (H-4); 4.78 d, 1 H (H-3,  $J(3, 4) = 6$ ); 6.32–6.50 m, 2 H (H-3' and H-4'); 7.50 m, 1 H (H-5'); 9.31 s, 1 H (NH).  $^{13}C$  NMR: 18.7 q (C-7), 29.7 q (C-8), 35.4 d (C-4), 39.1 d (C-3), 107.9 d (C-3'), 110.5 d (C-4'), 112.4 s (C-5), 115.1 s (CN), 143.2 d (C-5'), 146.9 s (C-6), 151.1 s (C-2'), 162.8 s (C-2), 195.6 s (C=O).

#### 5-Acetyl-2-amino-3-cyano-4-(2-furyl)-6-methylpyridine (*IX*)

A mixture of 0.74 g 4*H*-pyran *IIIa* and 0.92 g ammonium acetate in 15 ml glacial acetic acid was refluxed 4 h and then was left to stand at room temperature 12 h, and decomposed by pouring into 50 ml ice water. The product *IX* was collected by suction and recrystallized from ethanol. Yield 0.30 g (40%), m.p. 238–239°C. For  $C_{13}H_{11}N_3O_2$  (241.3) calculated: 64.72% C, 4.60% H, 17.42% N; found: 64.47% C, 4.75% H, 17.60% N. UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{\max}(\log \epsilon)$ ): 216 (3.06), 265 (3.22), 299 (3.03), 349 (2.85). IR spectrum: 3 395, 3 340 (NH); 2 200 (CN); 1 702 (CO); 1 664, 1 567, 1 540 (C=C, C=N).  $^1H$  NMR: 1.94 s, 3 H (CH<sub>3</sub>CO); 2.28 s, 3 H (CH<sub>3</sub>); 6.74 m, 1 H (H-4'); 7.11 m, 1 H (H-3'); 7.23 br. s, 2 H (NH<sub>2</sub>); 7.93 m, 1 H (H-5').

#### Mass Spectra ( $m/z$ (Relative Abundances))

*IIIa*: 244 ( $M^+$ , 11), 216 (18), 201 (29), 178 (6), 173 (4), 159 (4), 144 (36), 121 (13), 116/115 (9/12), 100 (18), 93 (5), 89 (9), 85 (23), 77 (4), 66/65 (12/9), 64 (5), 51 (5), 44 (5), 43 (100).

*V*: 346 ( $M^+$ , 57), 347 (15), 331 (5), 318/317 (17/65), 305/304 (7/30), 303 (82), 276/275 (6/26), 261/260 (6/23), 231 (8), 227/226 (6/30), 225 (10), 214 (5), 210 (5), 209 (6), 184 (6), 182 (6), 168 (9), 157 (6), 149 (6), 146 (17), 130/129 (6/11), 120/119 (11/11), 118/117 (10/11), 105/104 (36/6), 103 (17), 93 (5), 91/90 (22/7), 89 (6), 78/77 (10/18), 71 (6), 69 (6), 65 (16), 63 (10), 57 (10), 55 (8), 51 (7), 44 (18), 43 (100).

*VI*: 273 (8), 272 ( $M^+$ , 37), 244/243 (10/17), 230/229 (5/25), 227 (15), 218/217 (11/10), 216/215 (47/8), 211 (8), 202/201 (13/71), 200/199 (7/9), 198/197 (9/6), 190/189 (8/5), 187 (6), 185/184 (8/11), 183 (5), 177 (5), 175/174 (7/10), 173/172 (16/5), 160/159 (7/15), 158/157 (11/11), 156/155 (12/7), 148 (5), 146/145 (10/15), 135 (6), 132/131 (7/9), 130/129 (9/5), 128 (8), 121 (10), 119/118 (8/6), 117 (5), 103/102 (8/6), 101 (5), 91/90 (8/9), 89 (5), 81 (5), 77/76 (12/7), 75 (6), 68/67 (7/12), 65/64 (13/8), 63 (13), 55 (5), 53/52 (5/7), 51/50 (12/5), 45 (5), 44 (13), 43 (100).

*VIII*: 245 (5), 244 ( $M^+$ , 28), 229 (5), 218/217 (11/71), 215 (6), 202/201 (17/34), 189/188 (16/5), 185/184 (11/4), 176/175 (14/27), 174/173 (13/12), 162/161 (10/10), 160 (5), 158 (5), 149/148 (6/6), 147/146 (9/8), 145 (6), 134 (13), 132 (5), 130 (5), 121 (11), 118 (5), 106/105 (6/5), 91 (5), 81 (5), 77 (9), 65 (12), 63 (7), 58/57 (20/6), 55 (6), 52/51 (5/7), 44 (18), 43 (100).

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