

## One-Pot Synthesis of 5,7,8,9,9a,10-Hexahydro-8-thioxotetrahydropyrido[2,3-d:6,5-d']dipyrimidine-2,4,6(1H,3H,5aH)-triones via a Four-Component Coupling Reaction of Aldehydes, Amines, Barbituric Acids, and Thiouracil

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An efficient one-pot approach to the synthesis of 5,7,8,9,9a,10-hexahydro-8-thioxopyrido[2,3-d:6,5-d']dipyrimidine-2,4,6(1H,3H,5aH)-triones **5** via a four-component reaction of an aldehyde **1**, an amine **2**, a barbituric acid **3**, and thiouracil (**4**) is reported for the first time. This new multicomponent reaction is accomplished in refluxing EtOH in the presence of tungstophosphoric acid ( $H_3PW_{12}O_{40}$ ) as a catalyst. A variety of hexahydropyrido[2,3-d:6,5-d']dipyrimidinetrione derivatives were successfully synthesized in excellent yields with this protocol (*Table 2*).

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**Introduction.** – Pyrimidines are known as interesting heterocyclic scaffolds which exhibit various biological and pharmacologic activities [1]. Among them, fused pyrimidines have been used as a common source for the synthesis of new therapeutic agents [2]. Recent studies have shown that pyrimidine-fused heterocycles, particularly their oxo and thioxo derivatives, possess a wide range of biological activity and for this reason, they are extensively used in the design of new drugs [3]. For example, pyrimidopyrimidine derivatives have attracted considerable interest due to their tyrosine kinase inhibitory activity [4], antitumor activity [5], antiviral effect [6], and antioxidant properties [7]. In this regard, the developments of new methodologies for the synthesis of these heterocyclic compounds and new pyrimidine-containing heterocycles have received considerable interest in recent years [8–13]. The synthesis of pyrimidine derivatives by a multicomponent reaction (MCR) is an attractive approach for the construction of this class of compounds [14].

In continuation of our previous works on the synthesis of biologically active compounds [15], we would like to report a four-component sequence for the synthesis of a new pyrimidine-fused scaffold, by means of a condensation reaction of an aldehyde **1**, an amine **2**, a barbituric acid **3**, and thiouracil (=2,3-dihydro-2-thioxopyrimidin-4(1H)-one; **4**). This new strategy allows for the general access to new derivatives **5** of 5,7,8,9,9a,10-hexahydro-8-thioxopyrido[2,3-d:6,5-d']dipyrimidine-2,4,6(1H,3H,5aH)-trione. Structure–activity relationship (SAR) studies of 5,6-dihydropyrimidine-2,4(1H,3H)-dione derivatives showed that their biological activities are highly dependent on the substituent groups at the saturated pyrimidine moiety [16]. On the other hand, few methods for the synthesis of multiply substituted tetrahydropyrimidin-2(1H)-ones have been described [17]. In the present protocol, by choosing different aldehydes **1** and amines **2**, a large structural diversity can be achieved. Accordingly,

from the synthetic perspective, our convenient MCR strategy is a significant advance for the synthesis of this category of tetrahydropyrimidin-2(1*H*)-ones. To the best of our knowledge, this new approach provides the first example of an efficient access to **5**.

**Results and Discussion.** – To achieve proper conditions for the synthesis of derivatives **5**, we tested the reaction of benzaldehyde (**1a**), aniline (=benzenamine; **2a**), barbituric acid (=pyrimidine-2,4,6(1*H*,3*H*,5*H*)-trione; **3a**) and thiouracil (**4**) in various solvents and in the presence of an acidic catalyst. The results of the optimization study (*Table 1*) revealed that the reaction occurred without any catalyst in boiling EtOH, but compound **5a** was obtained in only 28% yield (*Entry 1*). The yield was enhanced to 90% when 2 mol-% of H<sub>3</sub>PW<sub>12</sub>O<sub>40</sub> were added to the reaction media (*Entry 3*). The acid H<sub>3</sub>PW<sub>12</sub>O<sub>40</sub> is known as an efficient catalyst for many organic transformations due to its unique properties [18]. The advantages of heteropolyacid catalysts are the following: high catalytic performance, strong acidity, recyclability, selectivity to a particular reaction product by selective stabilization of the reaction intermediate, safety, lower waste, and ease of separation [19]. Thus, we optimized the reaction conditions with H<sub>3</sub>PW<sub>12</sub>O<sub>40</sub> as the catalyst. Reducing the amount of catalyst led to a reduction in yield (*Entry 2*). Similar results were obtained by increasing the amount of catalyst to 2.5 mol-% (*Entry 4*), indicating that a 2.0 mol-% loading of H<sub>3</sub>PW<sub>12</sub>O<sub>40</sub> for this reaction was optimal. Refluxing conditions were superior to room temperature (*cf. Entry 5*), and EtOH was the best solvent tested (*Entries 3 and 4 vs. 6–10*), establishing boiling EtOH and 2 mol-% of H<sub>3</sub>PW<sub>12</sub>O<sub>40</sub> as the best conditions.

Table 1. Optimization of the Four-Component Reaction between Benzaldehyde (**1a**), Aniline (**2a**), Barbituric Acid (**3a**), and Thiouracil (**4**)<sup>a)</sup>

<b>1a</b>	<b>2a</b>	<b>3a</b>	<b>4</b>	catalyst solvent temperature	<b>5a</b>
Entry	Catalyst	Solvent	Temp. [°]	Time [h]	Yield [%] <sup>b)</sup>
1	none	EtOH	reflux	12	28
2	H <sub>3</sub> PW <sub>12</sub> O <sub>40</sub>	EtOH	reflux	10	87 <sup>c)</sup>
3	H <sub>3</sub> PW <sub>12</sub> O <sub>40</sub>	EtOH	reflux	5	90
4	H <sub>3</sub> PW <sub>12</sub> O <sub>40</sub>	EtOH	reflux	5	91 <sup>d)</sup>
5	H <sub>3</sub> PW <sub>12</sub> O <sub>40</sub>	EtOH	r.t.	24	45
6	H <sub>3</sub> PW <sub>12</sub> O <sub>40</sub>	DMSO	100	5	75
7	H <sub>3</sub> PW <sub>12</sub> O <sub>40</sub>	none	80	12	42
8	H <sub>3</sub> PW <sub>12</sub> O <sub>40</sub>	MeCN	reflux	5	65
9	H <sub>3</sub> PW <sub>12</sub> O <sub>40</sub>	toluene	100	5	45
10	H <sub>3</sub> PW <sub>12</sub> O <sub>40</sub>	H <sub>2</sub> O	reflux	12	61

<sup>a)</sup> Amount of materials in all reactions: barbituric acid (**3a**; 1 mmol), benzaldehyde (**1a**; 1 mmol), thiouracil (**4**; 1 mmol), aniline (**2a**; 1 mmol), and H<sub>3</sub>PW<sub>12</sub>O<sub>40</sub> (2 mol-%). <sup>b)</sup> Yield of isolated **5a**. <sup>c)</sup> 0.03 g (1.5 mol-%) of catalyst. <sup>d)</sup> 0.05 g (2.5 mol-%) of catalyst.

Thus, we selected these optimum conditions for the preparation of other derivatives of **5** starting from commercially accessible aromatic aldehydes **1** and amines **2**, barbituric acids **3**, and thiouracil (**4**). As shown in *Table 2*, both electron-poor and electron-rich aromatic aldehydes **1** furnished excellent yields of products. In addition, the presence of electron-donating groups at the aromatic amines **2** decreased the reaction times. Different products **5** with heterocyclic substituting moieties were synthesized from heterocyclic aldehydes and amines (*Entries 3, 10, and 11, and 4–6, 9, and 10*, resp.). The heterocycle compatibility of the reaction was highlighted by amine components **2** which are attached to the desired heterocyclic groups by a spacer (*Entries 9 and 10*), and the use of 2-thiobarbituric acid resulted in as good results as with barbituric acid (*Entries 2, 6, and 8*). The practical synthetic efficiency of the procedure was highlighted by the reaction of terephthaldehyde (=benzene-1,4-dicarboxaldehyde), yielding the structurally complex derivative **5** (*Table 2, Entry 7*). The structural diversity of this process was further established with adenosine [20] and adenine [21] as amine component **2**, leading to the formation of the new nucleoside base derivatives **5f** and **5e**, respectively (*Table 2, Entries 5 and 4*). When uracil was used instead of thiouracil, no significant progress of the reaction was observed. This is most

**Table 2.** Products of the Four-Component Reaction between Aldehydes **1**, and Amines **2**, Barbituric Acids **3**, and Thiouracil (**4**)<sup>a)</sup>

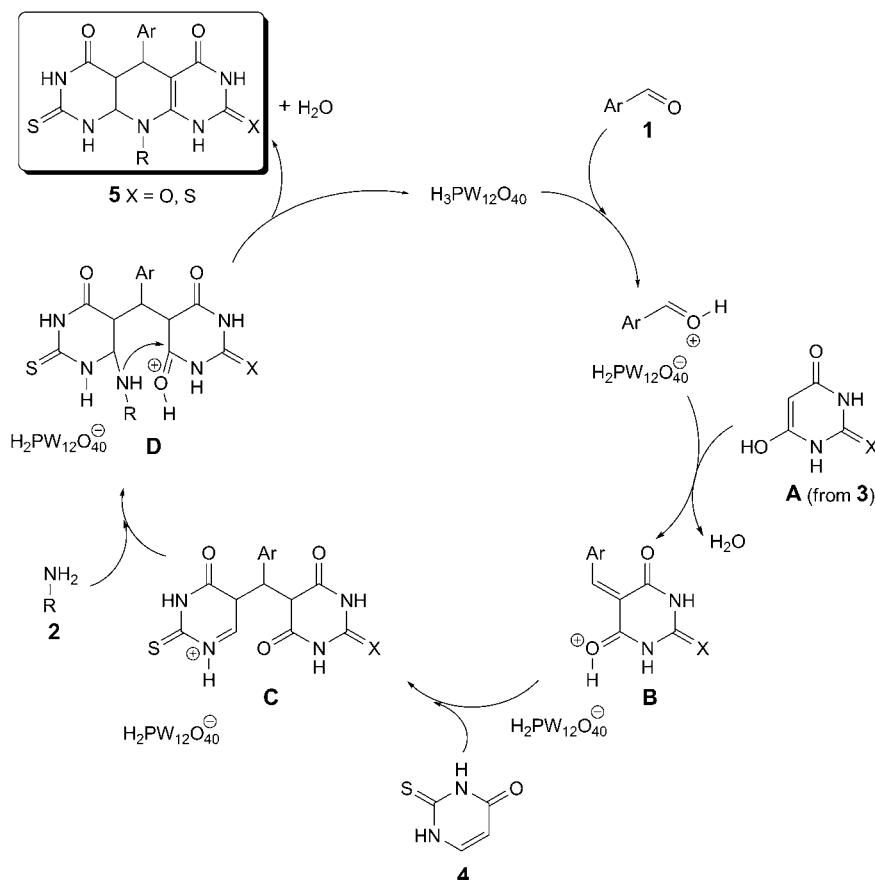
Entry	Ar	R	X	Product		Time [h]	Yield [%] <sup>b)</sup>
				5b – 5m			
1	3-Me-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	4-I-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	O	<b>5b</b>		5	87
2	anthracen-9-yl	4-MeO-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	S	<b>5c</b>		4	91
3	1 <i>H</i> -indol-3-yl	4-MeO-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	O	<b>5d</b>		4	93
4	4-NO <sub>2</sub> -C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	7 <i>H</i> -purin-6-yl	O	<b>5e</b>		6	84
5	4-NO <sub>2</sub> -C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>		O	<b>5f</b>		8	78
6	4-NO <sub>2</sub> -C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	1 <i>H</i> -benzimidazol-2-yl	S	<b>5g</b>		7	86
7	4-CHO-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	4-MeO-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	O	<b>5h</b>		12	85
8	3-OH,4-Br-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub>	4-MeO-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	S	<b>5i</b>		7	88
9	4-Cl-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	2-(morpholin-4-yl)ethyl	O	<b>5j</b>		7	90
10	pyridin-3-yl	2-(piperazin-1-yl)ethyl	O	<b>5k</b>		8	91
11	2-thienyl	4-Br-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	O	<b>5l</b>		5	90
12	4-Br-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	2-MeO-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	O	<b>5m</b>		6	89

<sup>a)</sup> Reaction conditions: **1** (1 mmol), **2** (1 mmol), **3** (1 mmol), **4** (1 mmol), H<sub>3</sub>PW<sub>12</sub>O<sub>40</sub> (0.04 g, 2 mol-%), and EtOH (5 ml). <sup>b)</sup> Yield of isolated **5**.

likely due to the difference of the nucleophilicity of the C(5)-atom in the reaction with electrophilic reagents [22].

We propose a plausible mechanism for this reaction (*Scheme*): Presumably, barbituric acid **3** in its enol form **A** reacts first with the activated aldehyde to form the corresponding 5-(aryl methylidene)barbiturate **B** [23], and then thiouracil (**4**) adds to this adduct to produce the intermediate **C**. The latter can undergo a reaction with the amine component **2**, generating **D**, which is converted to the desired product **5** by an intramolecular condensation reaction.

*Scheme. Proposed Mechanism for the Four-Component Coupling Reaction of Aldehyde **1**, Amine **2**, Barbituric Acid **3**, and Thiouracil (**4**)*



**Conclusions.** – We developed an efficient multicomponent approach for the preparation of 5,7,8,9,9a,10-hexahydro-8-thioxopyrido[2,3-*d*:6,5-*d'*]dipyrimidine-2,4,6(1*H*,3*H*,5*aH*)-trione derivatives **5**. According to this protocol, when an aldehyde, an amine, and a barbituric acid were treated with thiouracil in the presence of a

catalytic amount of  $H_3PW_{12}O_{40}$  in refluxing EtOH, the products were obtained in excellent yield. This strategy offers a powerful tool for preparing a new pyrimidine scaffold which has a high potential for applications in medicinal chemistry. Further studies on this structure may lead to the exploration of new drugs or biologically active compounds in the future.

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### Experimental Part

**General.** Chemicals were purchased from *Fluka* and *Aldrich* chemical companies and used without further purification. TLC: silica gel *PolyGram SILG/UV254* plates. M.p.: *Barnstead-Electrothermal-9100-BZ* circulating-oil melting-point apparatus; in open capillary tubes. FT-IR Spectra: *Shimadzu-FT-IR-8300* spectrophotometer;  $\nu$  in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .  $^1\text{H}$ - and  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR Spectra: *Bruker-Avance-250* spectrometer; in ( $D_6$ )DMSO;  $\delta$  in ppm rel. to  $\text{Me}_4\text{Si}$  as internal standard,  $J$  in Hz. GC/MS: *Shimadzu-GC/MS-QP-1000-EX* apparatus; in  $m/z$  (rel. %).

**5,7,8,9,9a,10-Hexahydro-8-thioxopyrido[2,3-d:6,5-d']dipyrimidine-2,4,6(1H,3H,5aH)-trione Derivatives 5:** General Procedure. A mixture of thiouracil (**4**) (0.128 g, 1 mmol), barbituric acid **3** (0.13 g, 1 mmol), aldehyde **1** (1 mmol), amine **2** (1 mmol), and tungstophosphoric acid ( $H_3PW_{12}O_{40}$ ) (0.04 g, 2 mol-%) in boiling EtOH (5 ml) was stirred for the time specified in *Table 2*. After completion of the reaction (TLC (AcOEt/hexane) monitoring), the mixture was cooled to r.t. and the precipitated product filtered and washed with  $H_2\text{O}$  (20 ml) and EtOH (10 ml); pure **5**.

**5,7,8,9,9a,10-Hexahydro-5,10-diphenyl-8-thioxopyrido[2,3-d:6,5-d']dipyrimidine-2,4,6(1H,3H,5aH)-trione (5a):** Yield 90%. Yellow solid. M.p. 240–242°. IR (KBr): 3198, 2930, 1763, 17230, 1680, 1591.  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR (250 MHz): 3.81 (dd,  $J = 6.5, 3.3, 1$  H); 5.04 (d,  $J = 3.1, 1$  H); 5.17 (d,  $J = 3.2, 1$  H); 7.10–7.18 (m, 2 H); 7.29 (dd,  $J = 8.0, 2.9, 4$  H); 7.51 (t,  $J = 4.3, 2$  H); 7.76 (d,  $J = 5.4, 2$  H); 9.10 (s, 1 H); 10.08 (s, 1 H); 10.52 (s, 1 H); 11.2 (s, 1 H).  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR (62.5 MHz): 31.8; 71.0; 86.0; 113.8; 117.4; 130.1; 130.3; 130.7; 140.0; 145.0; 149.9; 152.6; 163.0; 176.1; 183.1. MS: 419.18 (17.9,  $M^+$ ). Anal. calc. for  $C_{21}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_5\text{O}_3\text{S}$  (419.46): C 60.13, H 4.09, N 16.70, S 7.64; found: C 60.01, H 3.97, N 16.75, S 7.58.

**5,7,8,9,9a,10-Hexahydro-10-(4-iodophenyl)-5-(3-methylphenyl)-8-thioxopyrido[2,3-d:6,5-d']dipyrimidine-2,4,6(1H,3H,5aH)-trione (5b):** Yield 87%. Violet solid. M.p. 230–232°. IR (KBr): 3178, 2926, 1765, 1732, 1677.1, 1581.  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR (250 MHz): 2.33 (s, 3 H); 3.76 (dd,  $J = 4.9, 2.0, 1$  H); 5.11 (d,  $J = 3.8, 1$  H); 5.33 (d,  $J = 3.9, 1$  H); 6.79 (d,  $J = 8.3, 2$  H); 7.14 (d,  $J = 5.3, 2$  H); 7.41 (dd,  $J = 6.8, 3.6, 2$  H); 7.53 (d,  $J = 7.7, 2$  H); 9.08 (s, 1 H); 10.12 (s, 1 H); 10.63 (s, 1 H); 11.68 (s, 1 H).  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR (62.5 MHz): 25.0; 31.2; 50.4; 68.7; 82.2; 83.6; 116.3; 125.1; 126.6; 127.6; 128.6; 129.1; 136.3; 138.0; 140.0; 142.2; 144.3; 150.3; 163.2; 164.5; 176.0; 182.0. MS: 559.02 (14.3,  $M^+$ ). Anal. calc. for  $C_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{IN}_5\text{O}_3\text{S}$  (559.38): C 47.24, H 3.24, N 12.52, S 5.73; found: C 47.29, H 3.21, N 12.58, S, 5.68.

**5-(Anthracen-9-yl)-2,3,5,7,8,9,10,10a-octahydro-10-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2,8-dithioxo-pyrido[2,3-d:6,5-d']dipyrimidine-4,6(1H,4aH)-dione (5c):** Yield 91%. Deep red solid. M.p. > 300 (dec.). IR (KBr): 3217, 3078, 2916, 1763.5, 1674, 1566, 1435, 1381, 1319, 1211, 1165.  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR (400 MHz): 3.70 (s, 3 H); 4.66 (t,  $J = 3.8, 1$  H); 4.82 (dd,  $J = 7.6, 1.8, 1$  H); 5.19 (dd,  $J = 7.8, 2.2, 1$  H); 7.40 (s, 1 H); 7.49–7.95 (m, 6 H); 7.96 (d,  $J = 8.8, 2$  H); 8.13 (d,  $J = 7.8, 2$  H); 8.65 (s, 1 H); 9.00 (s, 1 H); 11.12 (s, 1 H); 11.57 (s, 1 H); 12.30 (br. s, 1 H); 12.48 (br. s, 1 H).  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR (100 MHz): 27.5; 52.0; 57.7; 68.1; 89.6; 105.2; 125.3; 125.5; 125.5; 126.2; 127.6; 127.7; 128.6; 130.5; 142.1; 150.5; 151.2; 161.0; 162.4; 176.0. MS: 565.29 (15.1,  $M^+$ ). Anal. calc. for  $C_{30}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_5\text{O}_3\text{S}_2$  (565.67): C 63.70, H, 4.10, N 12.38, S 11.34; found: C 63.73, H 4.07, N 12.41, S 11.31.

**5,7,8,9,9a,10-Hexahydro-5-(1H-indol-3-yl)-10-(4-methoxyphenyl)-8-thioxopyrido[2,3-d:6,5-d']dipyrimidine-2,4,6(1H,3H,5aH)-trione (5d):** Yield 95%. Yellow solid. M.p. 308–312°. IR (KBr): 3176, 3002, 1770, 1730, 1674, 1586.  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR (250 MHz): 3.80 (s, 3 H); 3.98 (d,  $J = 4.1, 1$  H); 5.61 (d,  $J = 3.3, 1$  H); 5.80 (d,  $J = 3.5, 1$  H); 7.31 (dd,  $J = 10.5, 5.4, 2$  H); 7.38 (d,  $J = 6.6, 2$  H); 7.58 (dd,  $J = 5.9, 2.7, 2$  H); 7.85 (t,  $J = 2.8, 2$  H); 8.29 (d,  $J = 7.7, 1$  H); 11.02 (s, 1 H); 11.1 (s, 1 H); 12.25 (s, 1 H); 12.42 (s, 1 H); 12.72 (s, 1 H).  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR (62.5 MHz): 31.4; 51.5; 57.8; 70.1; 84.2; 105.2; 108.6; 111.3; 113.1; 117.6; 122.6; 123.6; 129.1;

136.3; 139.7; 142.0; 143.6; 150.3; 163.2; 164.5; 176.0. MS: 488.09 (23,  $M^+$ ). Anal. calc. for  $C_{24}H_{20}N_6O_4S$  (488.52): C 59.01, H 4.13, N 17.20, S 6.56; found: C 59.08, H 4.15, N 17.25, S 6.51.

*5,7,8,9,9a,10-Hexahydro-5-(4-nitrophenyl)-10-(7H-purin-6-yl)-8-thioxopyrido[2,3-d:6,5-d']dipyrimidine-2,4,6(1H,3H,5aH)-trione (5e):* Yield 84%. Pale yellow solid. M.p. > 300 (dec.). IR (KBr): 3179, 2974, 1778, 1731, 1680, 1585.  $^1H$ -NMR (250 MHz): 3.78 (dd,  $J = 4.7, 2.5, 1$  H); 5.03 (d,  $J = 2.6, 1$  H); 5.57 (d,  $J = 2.8, 1$  H); 7.77 (d,  $J = 8.7, 2$  H); 7.85 (s, 1 H); 8.3 (d,  $J = 10.0, 2$  H); 8.39 (s, 1 H); 9.22 (s, 1 H); 10.16 (s, 1 H); 10.36 (s, 1 H); 11.33 (s, 1 H).  $^{13}C$ -NMR (62.5 MHz): 32.4; 52.4; 67.2; 75.3; 87.3; 122.1; 123.3; 131.0; 137.1; 147.2; 150.0; 151.1; 153.5; 155.6; 157.5; 168.2; 178.5; 181.0. MS: 522.21 (12.5,  $M^+$ ). Anal. calc. for  $C_{20}H_{14}N_{10}O_4S_2$  (522.52): C 45.97, H 2.70, N 26.81, S 12.27; found: C 46.01, H 2.72, N 26.87, S 12.21.

*5,7,8,9,9a,10-Hexahydro-5-(4-nitrophenyl)-10-[9-(2R,3R,4S,5R)-tetrahydro-3,4-dihydroxy-5-(hydroxymethyl)furan-2-yl]-9H-purin-6-yl]-8-thioxopyrido[2,3-d:6,5-d']dipyrimidine-2,4,6(1H,3H,5aH)-trione (5f):* Yield 78%. Yellow solid. M.p. 234–236°. IR (KBr): 3530, 3328, 2956, 1745, 1722, 1673, 1571.  $^1H$ -NMR (250 MHz): 3.36–3.39 (m, 3 H); 4.21–4.23 (m, 1 H); 4.42–4.44 (m, 1 H); 4.81–4.83 (m, 1 H); 5.02 (s, 1 H); 5.53 (s, 1 H); 6.30 (s, 3 H); 7.41–7.43 (m, 2 H); 7.67 (dd,  $J = 6.8, 2.2, 2$  H); 7.86 (t,  $J = 1.5, 1$  H); 7.87 (s, 1 H); 7.89 (s, 1 H); 9.14 (s, 1 H); 9.98 (s, 1 H); 11.02 (s, 1 H); 12.40 (s, 1 H).  $^{13}C$ -NMR (62.5 MHz): 32.7; 50.2; 58.2; 61.0; 73.1; 76.0; 83.1; 85.2; 90.0; 91.9; 118.9; 120.3; 129.0; 140.0; 146.3; 150.4; 151.1; 153.4; 154.7; 155.4; 162.1; 176.3. Anal. calc. for  $C_{25}H_{22}N_{10}O_9S$  (638.57): C 47.02, H 3.47, N 21.93, S 5.02; found: C 47.08, H 3.49, N 21.99, S 5.00.

*10-(1H-Benzimidazol-2-yl)-2,3,4,5,7,8,9,9a,10-octahydro-5-(4-nitrophenyl)-2,8-dithioxopyrido[2,3-d:6,5-d']dipyrimidine-4,6(1H,4aH)-dione (5g):* Yield 86%. Yellow solid. M.p. 263–265°. IR (KBr): 3180, 2970, 1779, 1735, 1676, 1584.  $^1H$ -NMR (250 MHz): 3.72 (dd,  $J = 8.1, 3.6, 1$  H); 4.90 (d,  $J = 7.6, 1$  H); 5.87 (d,  $J = 6.3, 1$  H); 6.98 (d,  $J = 7.5, 2$  H); 7.19 (d,  $J = 2.0, 1$  H); 7.22 (d,  $J = 4.0, 1$  H); 7.79 (d,  $J = 8.1, 2$  H); 8.20 (d,  $J = 5.7, 2$  H); 11.68 (s, 1 H); 12.26 (s, 1 H); 12.42 (s, 1 H); 14.02 (s, 2 H).  $^{13}C$ -NMR (62.5 MHz): 31.0; 67.9; 81.0; 116.7; 121.1; 123.0; 130.0; 136.5; 145.6; 150.5; 154.3; 162.8; 174.5; 179.1. MS: 520.12 (21,  $M^+$ ). Anal. calc. for  $C_{22}H_{16}N_8O_4S_2$  (520.54): C 50.76, H 3.10, N 21.53, S 12.32; found: C 50.81, H 3.13, N 21.59, S 12.28.

*4-[1,2,3,4a,5,6,7,8,9,10,10a-Dodecahydro-10-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4,6-dioxo-2,8-dithioxopyrido[2,3-d:6,5-d']dipyrimidin-5-yl]benzaldehyde (5h):* Yield 85%. Yellow solid. M.p. > 300 (dec.). IR (KBr): 3190, 2972, 1771, 1728, 1679, 1588.  $^1H$ -NMR (250 MHz): 3.88 (s, 6 H); 4.0 (dd,  $J = 10.0, 4.1, 2$  H); 5.78 (d,  $J = 7.6, 2$  H); 6.05 (s, 2 H); 7.36 (t,  $J = 10.0, 4$  H); 7.78 (d,  $J = 4.5, 2$  H); 7.82 (d,  $J = 4.0, 2$  H); 8.12 (t,  $J = 4.5, 4$  H); 10.87 (s, 2 H); 11.68 (s, 2 H); 12.26 (s, 2 H); 12.42 (s, 2 H).  $^{13}C$ -NMR (62.5 MHz): 31.3; 45.3; 45.7; 66.3; 84.4; 110.5; 128.3; 133.0; 147.3; 150.4; 151.1; 153.5; 155.7; 157.4; 166.2; 168.3; 178.3; 181.2. Anal. calc. for  $C_{38}H_{32}N_{10}O_8S_2$  (820.85): C 55.60, H 3.93, N 17.06, S 7.81; found: C 55.64, H 3.95, N 17.12, S 7.78.

*2,3,5,7,8,9,10,10a-Octahydro-5-(3-hydroxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-10-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2,8-dithioxopyrido[2,3-d:6,5-d']dipyrimidin-5-3-hydroxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-10-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2,8-dithioxopyrido[2,3-d:6,5-d']dipyrimidine-4,6(1H,4aH)-dione (5i):* Yield 85%. Yellow solid. M.p. > 300 (dec.). IR (KBr): 3182, 2970, 1781, 1739, 1685, 1587.  $^1H$ -NMR (250 MHz): 3.75 (s, 3 H); 3.78 (s, 3 H); 4.02 (dd,  $J = 4.9, 2.5, 1$  H); 4.66 (d,  $J = 2.4, 1$  H); 5.82 (d,  $J = 7.3, 1$  H); 6.86 (d,  $J = 8.7, 2$  H); 7.13 (d,  $J = 8.1, 1$  H); 7.22 (d,  $J = 8.7, 2$  H); 7.36–7.41 (m, 2 H); 9.27 (br. s, 1 H); 10.28 (br. s, 1 H); 11.10 (br. s, 1 H); 11.47 (br. s, 1 H).  $^{13}C$ -NMR (62.5 MHz): 33.0; 50.8; 54.9; 68.1; 100.1; 131.2; 132.4; 134.8; 138.4; 149.8; 150.2; 154.4; 163.4; 168.4; 174.2; 179.2. MS: 511.24 (12.8,  $M^+$ ). Anal. calc. for  $C_{23}H_{21}N_5O_5S_2$  (511.57): C 54.00, H 4.14, N 13.69, S 12.54; found: C 54.05, H 4.18, N 13.73, S 12.50.

*5-(4-Chlorophenyl)-5,7,8,9,9a,10-hexahydro-10-[2-(morpholin-4-yl)ethyl]-8-thioxopyrido[2,3-d:6,5-d']dipyrimidine-2,4,6(1H,3H,5aH)-trione (5j):* Yield 91%. Yellow solid. M.p. 258–260°. IR (KBr): 3172, 2968, 1783, 1742, 1689, 1587.  $^1H$ -NMR (250 MHz): 2.36–2.40 (m, 4 H); 2.85–2.92 (m, 2 H); 3.37 (d,  $J = 7.1, 2$  H); 3.42 (d,  $J = 5.8, 2$  H); 3.50 (d,  $J = 8.3, 1$  H); 3.56 (d,  $J = 9.5, 2$  H); 5.13 (d,  $J = 13.5, 2$  H); 7.41 (d,  $J = 3.4, 2$  H); 7.65 (d,  $J = 3.2, 2$  H); 9.13 (s, 1 H); 10.10 (s, 1 H); 10.62 (s, 1 H); 11.20 (br. s, 1 H).  $^{13}C$ -NMR (62.5 MHz): 31.4; 50.0; 51.1; 66.3; 67.1; 79.5; 129.3; 131.0; 137.5; 150.5; 157.4; 162.1; 176.2; 181.6. MS: 500.54 (24,  $M^+$ ). Anal. calc. for  $C_{21}H_{23}ClN_6O_4S$  (490.96): C 51.37, H 4.72, N 17.12, S 6.53; found: C 51.41, H 4.74, N 17.18, S 6.50.

*5,7,8,9,9a,10-Hexahydro-10-[2-(piperazin-1-yl)ethyl]-5-(pyridin-3-yl)-8-thioxopyrido[2,3-d:6,5-d']dipyrimidine-2,4,6(1H,3H,5aH)-trione (5k):* Yield 92%. Yellow solid. M.p. 266–268°. IR (KBr): 3378, 3188, 2965, 1786, 1747, 1681, 1583.  $^1H$ -NMR (250 MHz): 2.78 (t,  $J = 1.8, 4$  H); 3.23 (t,  $J = 8.3, 2$  H); 3.54 (t,  $J = 6.2, 2$  H); 3.76–3.79 (m, 3 H); 4.14 (s, 2 H); 4.47 (s, 1 H); 5.28 (d,  $J = 5.2, 1$  H); 6.41 (br. s, 2 H); 7.35

(*dd*, *J*=4.7, 2.0, 1 H); 7.75 (*d*, *J*=8.0, 1 H); 8.17 (*d*, *J*=9.0, 1 H); 8.39 (*s*, 1 H); 10.07 (*s*, 1 H); 11.55 (*s*, 1 H); 11.72 (*s*, 1 H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (62.5 MHz): 32; 37.1; 41.5; 51.2; 55.0; 67.3; 79.5; 123.1; 136.4; 137.1; 147.3; 150.4; 151.1; 158.1; 163.1; 176.1; 182.8. MS: 456 (27, *M*<sup>+</sup>). Anal. calc. for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>8</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S (456.52): C 52.62, H 5.30, N 24.55, S 7.02; found: C 52.67, H 5.33, N 24.59, S 6.68.

*10-(4-Bromophenyl)-5,7,8,9,9a,10-hexahydro-5-(2-thien-yl)-8-thioxopyrido[2,3-d:6,5-d']dipyrimidine-2,4,6(1H,3H,5aH)-trione (5l):* Yield 89%. Yellow solid. M.p. 235–237°. IR (KBr): 3210, 2971, 1790, 1751, 1678, 1579. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (250 MHz): 3.51–3.53 (*m*, 1 H); 4.77 (*d*, *J*=2.7, 1 H); 5.10 (*d*, *J*=2.4, 1 H); 7.02 (*d*, *J*=9.8, 1 H); 7.16–7.19 (*m*, 3 H); 7.38 (*d*, *J*=3.0, 1 H); 7.41 (*d*, *J*=3.1, 1 H); 9.66 (br. *s*, 1 H); 10.59 (*s*, 1 H); 11.09 (*s*, 1 H); 12.04 (br. *s*, 1 H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (62.5 MHz): 22.0; 45.7; 71.3; 91.5; 110.9; 116.4; 123.1; 124.0; 125.0; 133.3; 143.5; 146.4; 157.2; 163.1; 176.2; 178.1; 181.8. MS: 504.06 (19, *M*<sup>+</sup>). Anal. calc. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>14</sub>BrN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub> (504.38): C 45.24, H 2.80, N 13.89, S 12.71; found: C 45.29, H 2.83, N 13.93, S 12.68.

*5-(4-Bromophenyl)-5,7,8,9,9a,10-hexahydro-10-(2-methoxyphenyl)-8-thioxopyrido[2,3-d:6,5-d']dipyrimidine-2,4,6(1H,3H,5aH)-trione (5m):* Yield 90%. Yellow solid. M.p. >300 (dec.). IR (KBr): 3195, 2965, 1787, 1753, 1670, 1573. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (250 MHz): 3.31–3.41 (*m*, 1 H); 3.72 (*s*, 3 H); 4.72 (*d*, *J*=11.1, 1 H); 5.27 (*d*, *J*=7.4, 1 H); 5.81 (br. *s*, 2 H); 7.09 (*d*, *J*=8.2, 2 H); 7.14–7.22 (*m*, 2 H); 7.24 (*d*, *J*=4.2, 1 H); 7.29–7.34 (*m*, 1 H); 7.43 (*dd*, *J*=10.4, 5.4 Hz, 2 H); 9.40 (br. *s*, 1 H); 9.69 (br. *s*, 1 H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (62.5 MHz): 31.4; 50.0; 55.0; 68.1; 90.0; 105.2; 108.6; 111.3; 117.6; 122.6; 123.6; 128.3; 140.0; 144.4; 150.3; 157.1; 162.2; 173.6; 174.5; 179.6. MS: 528.08 (12, *M*<sup>+</sup>). Anal. calc. for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>18</sub>BrN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S (528.38): C 50.01, H 3.43, N 13.25, S 6.07; found: C 50.07, H 3.47, N 13.29, S 6.02.

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