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The reaction of substituted ethyl 5-aminopyrazole-4-carboxylates with two equivalents of methanesulfonyl chloride gave the substituted ethyl 5-[bis(methylsufonyl)amino]-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxylates II. Removal of one of the methanesulfonyl groups, followed by alkylation of the ethyl 5-[(methylsulfonyl)amino]-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxylates III with methyl iodide produced the substituted ethyl 5-[methyl(methylsulfonyl)amino]-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxylates IV. Treatment of IV with sodium hydride gave the 7-substituted 1,7-dihydro-1-methylpyrazolo[3,4-c][1,2]thiazin-4(3H)-one 2,2-dioxides V.

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Our interest in the synthesis of heterocyclic compounds for biological evaluation and the need for bicyclic heterocycles that contain active methylene groups led us to ponder the preparation of fused 2H-1,2thiazin-5(6H)-one 1,1-dioxides. A search of the literature and of commercial data bases indicated that a few 1H-pyrido[2,3-c][1,2]thiazin-4(3H)-one 2,2-dioxides [1-3] and 1H-2, 1-benzothiazin-4(3H)-one 2, 2-dioxides [4-6] have been prepared, and that Maybridge Chemical Company Ltd., sells a few 1H-thieno[2,3-c][1,2]thiazin-4(3H) one 2,2-dioxides and 1H-thieno[3,2-c]- [1,2]thiazin-4(3H)-one 2,2-dioxides. The aforementioned facts led us to prepare examples of the pyrazolo[3,4-c][1,2]thiazine ring system from readily available intermediates.

Our synthesis of the pyrazolo [3,4-c][1,2] thiazin-4(3H)-one 2.2-dioxides V utilized several substituted ethyl 5-aminopyrazole-4-carboxylates I which were available commercially or readily prepared by heating under reflux a solution of ethyl (ethoxymethylene)cyanoacetate and the substituted phenylhydrazines [7,8] in ethanol.

Table 1

Compound	mp (°C)	Formula	¹H NMR	Yield
*****	Crystallization	Anal. Calcd. (Found)	(deuteriochloroform)	(%)
	solvent	C H N	δ, J (Hz)	
Πa	158-159	$C_{14}H_{17}N_3O_6S_2$	1.39 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, $3H$ ), $3.12$ (s,	45
		43.40 4.42 10.85	6H), $4.37$ (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, $2H$ ), $7.53$ -	
	1-chlorobutane	(43.61 4.28 10.66)	7.71 (m, 5H), 8.15 (s, 1H)	
ПР	152-153	$C_{18}H_{25}N_3O_6S_2$	1.35 (s, 9H), $1.39$ (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz,	41
		48.74 5.68 9.47	3H), $3.11$ (s, 6H), $4.36$ (q, $J =$	
	ethyl acetate	(49.11 5.64 9.40)	7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.58 (AA'BB'q, $\Delta v_{AB} =$	
	•	•	$\Delta v_{A'B'} = 9.8 \text{ Hz}, J_{AB} = J_{A'B'} =$	
			9.0 Hz, 4H), 8.14 (1H)	
IIc	140-141	$C_{15}H_{19}N_3O_7S_2$	1.39 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, $3H$ ), $3.16$ (s,	37
		43.16 4.59 10.07	6H), $3.87$ (s, 3H), $4.36$ (q, $J =$	
	1-chlorobutane/	(43.31 4.31 9.99)	7.1  Hz, 2H), 7.04  (d, J = 9.0  Hz,	
	ethyl acetate	,	2H), $7.59$ (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 2H),	
	(2:1)		8.12 (s, 1H)	
IId	123-124	$C_{14}H_{15}Cl_2N_3O_6S_2$	1.39 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, $3H$ ), $3.03$ (br	45
		36.85 3.31 9.21	s, 3H), 3.54 (br s, 3H), 4.38 (q,	
	1-chlorobutane	(37.04 3.18 8.97)	J = 7.1  Hz, 2H), 7.46  (dd,  J = 1.00  dd	
		,	2.3, 8.6  Hz, 1H), 7.60  (d, J = 2.3)	
			Hz, $1H$ ), $7.81$ (d, $J = 8.6$ $Hz$ ,	
			1H), 8.21 (s, 1H).	
IIe	161-162	$C_{15}H_{16}F_3N_3O_6S_2$	1.40 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 3.17 (s,	44
		39.56 3.54 9.23	6H), $4.38$ (q, $J = 7.0$ Hz, $2H$ ),	
	acetonitrile	(39.56 3.44 9.09)	$7.86 \text{ (AA'BBq, } \Delta v_{AB} = \Delta v_{A'B'} =$	
		(11111111111111111111111111111111111111	6.8 Hz, $J_{AB} = J_{A'B'} = 9.25 \text{ Hz}, 4\text{H}$	
			8.19, (s, 1H)	
IIf	145-146	$C_9H_{15}N_3O_6S_2$	1.36 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H), 3.51 (s,	35
•		33.22 4.65 12.92	6H), 3.92 (s, 3H), 4.34 (q,	
	1-chlorobutane	(33.55 4.63 12.83)	J = 7.1, 2H), 7.97 (s, 1H)	

Table 2

Compound	mp (°C) Crystallization	Formula Anal. Calcd. (Found)		<sup>1</sup> H NMR (deuteriochloroform)	Yield (%)
	solvent	<b>C</b> 1	H N	δ, J (Hz)	
IIIa	95-96	$C_{13}H_{15}N_3O_4S$		1.40 (t, $J = 7.1 \text{ Hz}$ , 3H), 2.78 (s,	71
			89 13.58	3H), $4.37$ (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, $2H$ ),	
	1-chlorobutane/	(50.44 4.	76 13.22)	7.41-7.71 (s+m, 6H), 8.03 (s, 1H)	
	ethyl acetate (5:1)				
Шь	oil	$C_{17}H_{23}N_3O_4S$		1.35 (s, 9H), 1.39 (t, J = 7.1 Hz,	88
			35 11.50	3H), $2.74$ (s, 3H), $4.37$ (q, $J =$	
		(55.83 6.	18 11.43)	7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (s, 1H), 7.51	
		•	ŕ	(s, 4H), 8.04 (s, 1H)	
IIIc	121-123	$C_{14}H_{17}N_3O_5S$		1.39 (t, $J = 7.1 \text{ Hz}$ , 3H), 2.78 (s,	86
			.05 12.38	3H), $3.85$ (s, 3H), $4.36$ (q, $J =$	
	1-chlorobutane/	(49.63 4.	96 12.13)	7.1  Hz, 2H, 6.99  (d, J = 9.0  Hz,	
	ethyl acetate	<b>\</b>	,	2H), $7.44$ (s, 1H), $7.50$ (d, $J =$	
	(2:1)			9.0 Hz, 2H), 8.00 (s, 1H)	
IIId	oil	$C_{13}H_{13}Cl_2N_3O_4S$		1.40 (t, $J = 7.1 Hz$ , 3H), 2.89 (s,	51
			.46 11.11	3H), $4.37$ (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, $2H$ ),	
		(41.42 3.	.45 10.71)	7.41  (dd, J = 2.3, 8.6  Hz, 1H),	
		·		7.44 (s, 1H), $7.49$ (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz,	
				1H), $7.55$ (d, $J = 2.3$ Hz, 1H),	
				8.07 (s, 1H)	
IIIe	133-134	$C_{14}H_{14}$	F <sub>3</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> S	1.41 (t, $J = 7.1 \text{ Hz}$ , 3H), 2.93 (s	98
			.74 11.14	3H), $4.38$ (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, $2H$ ),	
	1-chlorobutane	(44.84 3.	.83 11.00)	7.53 (s, 1H), 7.80 (AABB'q,	
		•		$\Delta v_{AB} = \Delta v_{A'B'} = 12.3 \text{ Hz, } J_{AB} =$	
				$J_{A'B'} = 8.6 \text{ Hz}, 4\text{H}, 8.07 (s, 1\text{H})$	
IIIf	121-122	$C_8H_{13}N_3O_4S$		1.37 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, $3H$ ), $3.03$ (s,	71
			.30 16.99	3H), $3.97$ (s, 3H), $4.32$ (q, $J = 7.1$ ,	
	1-chlorobutane	(39.11 5	.16 16.87)	2H), 7.18 (s, 1H), 7.86 (s, 1H)	

As expected, the reaction of equimolar amounts of methanesulfonyl chloride, a substituted ethyl 5-aminopyrazole-4-carboxylate I and sodium hydride gave a mixture of the unreacted substituted ethyl 5-aminopyrazole-4-carboxylate I and the substituted ethyl 5-[bis(methylsulfonyl)amino]-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxylate II. On the other hand, the reaction of two equivalents of methanesulfonyl chloride and of sodium hydride with one equivalent of a substituted ethyl 5-aminopyrazole-4-carboxylate I gave a mixture of the expected substituted ethyl 5-[bis(methylsulfonyl)aminol-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxylate II and of the substituted ethyl 5-[(methylsulfonyl)amino]-1H-pyrazole-4carboxylate III. Treatment of the substituted ethyl 5-[bis(methylsulfonyl)amino]-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxylates II with two equivalents of sodium hydride in dimethylformamide led to the loss of one of the methanesulfonyl groups and the formation of the sodium salt of the substituted ethyl 5-[(methylsulfonyl)aminol-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxylates III. Alkylation of III with methyl iodide in the presence of potassium carbonate produced the substituted ethyl 5-[methyl(methylsulfonyl)amino]-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxylates IV. The sodium hydride mediated intramolecular cyclization of IV gave the 7-substituted 1,7-dihydro-1-methylpyrazolo[3,4-c][1,2]thiazin-4(3H)-one 2,2-dioxides V.

Table 3

Compound	mp (°C)	Formula	<sup>1</sup> H NMR	Yield
<u>-</u>	Crystallization	Anal. Calcd (Found)	(deuteriochloroform)	(%)
	solvent	C H N	δ, J (Hz)	
IVa	106-107	$C_{14}H_{17}N_3O_4S$	1.39 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, $3H$ ), $2.97$ (s,	85
		52.00 5.30 13.00	3H), 3.33 (s, 3H), 4.31-4.38 (m,	
	1-chlorobutane	(52.11 5.22 12.81)	2H), 7.43-7.55 (m, 5H),	
		•	8.08 (s, 1H)	
IVb	145-146	$C_{18}H_{25}N_3O_4S$	1.35 (s, 9H), $1.39$ (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz,	76
		56.97 6.64 11.07	3H), 2.96 (s, 3H), 3.32 (s, 3H),	
	1-chlorobutane	(57.16 6.58 11.00)	4.30-4.38 (m, 2H), 7.49 (AA'	
	<u> </u>	,	BB'q, $\Delta v_{AB} = \Delta v_{A'B'} = 12.3 \text{ Hz}$ ,	
			$J_{AB} = J_{A'B'} = 8.9 \text{ Hz}, 4\text{H}, 8.07 (s,$	
			1H)	
IVe	99-100	$C_{15}H_{19}N_3O_5S$	1.39 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, $3H$ ), $2.98$ (s,	92
210	,, 100	50.98 5.42 11.89	3H), 3.29 (s, 3H), 3.85 (s, 3H),	
	1-chlorobutane	(51.02 5.35 11.84)	4.31-4.37 (m, 2H), 6.99 (d,	
		(,	J = 9.0  Hz, 2H), 7.44  (d,  J = 9.0	
			Hz, 2H), 8.05 (s, 1H)	
IVd	116-117	$C_{14}H_{15}Cl_2N_3O_4S$	1.40 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, $3H$ ), $3.02$ (s,	78
1.4	110 11.	42.87 3.85 10.71	3H), 3.31 (s, 3H), 4.31-4.35 (m,	
	1-chlorobutane/	(42.67 3.89 10.57)	2H), $7.40$ (dd, $J = 2.3, 8.6$	
	hexane	(1210)	Hz, 1H), 7.54 (s, 1H), 7.55 (d,	
	(1:1)		J = 8.6  Hz, 1H, 8.13  (s, 1H)	
IVe	124-125	$C_{15}H_{15}F_3N_3O_4S$	1.40 (t, $J = 7.1 \text{ Hz}$ , 3H), 3.04 (s,	76
***	12 ( 123	46.03 4.12 10.74	3H), 3.38 (s, 3H), 4.32-4.39 (m,	
	acetonitrile	(45.84 4.09 10.69)	2H), 7.75 (AA'BB'q, $\Delta v_{AB} =$	
	accionanc	(45.67 1.65 26.65)	$\Delta v_{A'B'} = 16.72 \text{ Hz}, J_{AB} = J_{A'B'} = 8.6$	
			Hz, 4H), 8.11 (s, 1H)	
IVf	65-66	$C_9H_{15}N_3O_4S$	1.37 (t, $J = 7.1 \text{ Hz}$ , 3H), 3.06 (s,	70
111	05-00	41.37 5.79 16.08	3H), 3.35 (s, 3H), 3.89 (s, 3H),	
	1-chlorobutane/	(41.44 5.75 16.08)	4.26-4.33 (m, 2H), 7.90 (s, 1H)	
	hexane	(12111 2112 20100)	(,,	
	(1:1)			
	(1.1)			

The methylene groups of all the compounds in Table 3 appear as two overlapping quartets, accordingly we reported them as multiplets.

Table 4

Compound	mp (°C)	Formula	<sup>1</sup> H NMR	Yield
•	Crystallization	Anal. Calcd. (Found)	(deuteriochloroform)	(%)
	solvent	C H N	δ, J (Hz)	
Va	145-146	$C_{12}H_{11}N_3O_3S$	3.02 (s, 3H), 4.10 (s, 2H), 7.47-	72
		51.97 4.00 15.15	7.73 (m, 5H), 8.14 (s, 1H)	
	1-chlorobutane	(52.08 3.95 14.92)		
Vb	154-155	$C_{16}H_{19}N_3O_3S$	1.37 (s, 9H), 3.03 (s, 3H), 4.09	49
		57.64 5.74 12.60	$(s, 2H), 7.58 (AA'BB'q, \Delta v_{AB} =$	
	1-chlorobutane	(57.69 5.63 12.75)	$\Delta v A'B' = 14.9 \text{ Hz}, J_{AB} = J_{A'B'} = 9.0$	
		,	Hz, 4H), 8.12 (s, 1H)	
Ve	224-225	$C_{13}H_{13}N_3O_4S$	3.01 (s, 3H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 4.08	27
		50.81 4.26 13.67	(s, 2H), 7.05 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H),	
	ethyl acetate	(50.99 4.30 13.27)	7.59 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 8.11 (s,	
	•	•	1H)	
Vd	165-166	C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>9</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>3</sub> S	3.00 (s, 3H), 4.11 (s, 2H), 7.47	69
	<b>-</b>	41.63 2.62 12.14	(m, 2H), 7.66 (t, J = 1.1 Hz,	
	1-chlorobutane	(42.02 2.70 11.93)	1H), 8.16 (s, 1H)	
Ve	188-189	$C_{13}H_{10}F_3N_3O_3S$	3.07 (s, 3H), 4.12 (s, 2H), 7.88	62
,,,	100 107	45.22 2.92 12.17	$(AA'BB'q, \Delta v_{AB} = \Delta v_{A'B'} = 22.6$	
	1-chlorobutane	(45.33 2.84 12.04)	$Hz$ , $J_{AB} = J_{A'B'} = 8.9 Hz$ , 4H),	
	1 Chiorodalano	(12.20	8.18 (s, 1H)	
Vf	150-151	$C_7H_9N_3O_3S$	3.35 (s, 3H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 4.05	44
	150 151	39.06 4.22 19.52	(s, 2H), 7.96 (s, 1H)	
	1-chlorobutane	(39.31 4.18 19.32)	(-,), (-,)	
	1-cinorobutane	(37.31 4.10 17.32)		

## **EXPERIMENTAL**

Melting points were determined with a Thomas Hoover capillary melting point apparatus and are reported uncorrected. The  $^1\mathrm{H}$  nmr spectra were recorded using a Varian Unity Plus 300 or Varian VXRS 400. Chemical shift values are reported in parts per million on the  $\delta$  scale. The nmr spin multiplicities are indicated by the symbols: s (singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q (quartet) and m (multiplet). Elemental analyses were performed by Quantitative Technologies Inc., Whitehouse, New Jersey, U.S.A. The ethyl 5-amino-1-methylpyrazole-4-carboxylate used in this investigation was purchased from Maybridge Chemical Company Ltd., and the ethyl 5-amino-1-phenylpyrazole-4-carboxylate was purchased from Aldrich Chemical Company. We used a 60% suspension of sodium hydride in mineral oil in this investigation.

Synthesis of Substituted Ethyl 5-aminopyrazole-4-carboxylates I. General Procedure.

Under a nitrogen atmosphere, ethyl (ethoxymethylene)cyanoacetate (0.08 mole) was added to the substituted phenylhydrazine (0.08 mole) or to the hydrochloride salt of the substituted phenylhydrazine (0.08 mole) and triethylamine (0.09 mole) in 125 ml of ethanol. The reaction mixture was stirred and heated under reflux for seven hours and then cooled to ambient temperature. Most of the ethanol was removed under vacuum and then water (150 ml) was added to the residue. The solid product was removed by filtration, washed with water and crystallized from a suitable solvent.

Ethyl 5-Amino-1-(4-tert-butylphenyl)pyrazole-4-carboxylate Ib.

This compound was prepared from 4-tert-butylphenylhydrazine hydrochloride, triethylamine and ethyl (ethoxymethylene)cyanoacetate, yield 87% with crystallization from 1-chlorobutane, mp 159-160°;  $^{1}$ H nmr (deuteriochloroform): 1.35 (s, 9H), 1.36 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 4.30 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 5.27 (br s, 2H), 7.48 (AA'BB'q,  $\Delta v_{AB} = \Delta v_{AB} = 21.2$ , Hz,  $J_{AB} = J_{A'B'} = 8.6$  Hz, 4H), 7.72 (s, 1H).

Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{16}H_{21}N_3O_2$ : C, 66.87; H, 7.37; N, 14.62. Found: C, 67.18; H, 7.16; N, 14.60.

Ethyl 5-Amino-1-[(4-trifluoromethyl)phenyl]pyrazole-4-carboxylate Ie.

This compound was prepared from 4-(trifluoromethyl)phenylhydrazine and ethyl (ethoxymethylene)cyanoacetate, yield 70% with crystallization from 1-chlorobutane, mp 124-125°;  $^{1}$ H nmr (deuteriochloroform): 1.37 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 4.32 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 5.39 (brs, 2H), 7.76 (AA'BB'q,  $\Delta v_{AB} = \Delta v_{A'B'} = 15.9$  Hz,  $J_{AB} = J_{A'B'} = 8.6$  Hz, 4H), 7.82 (s, 1H).

Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{13}H_{12}F_3N_3O_2$ : C, 52.17; H, 4.04; N, 14.04. Found: C, 52.21; H, 3.96; N, 14.04.

Ethyl 5-Amino-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrazole-4-carboxylate Ic and Ethyl 5-Amino-1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)pyrazole-4-carboxylate Id are known compounds [7,8] and were prepared as described above.

Synthesis of Substituted Ethyl 5-[bis(methylsulfonyl)amino]-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxylates II. General Procedure.

Under a nitrogen atmosphere, the substituted ethyl 5-aminopyrazole-4-carboxylate (0.48 mole) was added in small portions over 20 minutes to a stirred suspension of sodium

hydride (4.2 g, 0.105 mole) in 150-200 ml of tetrahydrofuran. The temperature was kept at ca. 10° during the addition and then allowed to rise to room temperature. After 2 hours at ambient temperature, the reaction mixture was cooled to 0° and methanesulfonyl chloride (11.5 g, 0.1 mole) was added dropwise over 20 minutes to the sodium salt of I. The temperature was kept below 10° during the addition and then the reaction mixture was stirred at ambient temperature overnight. A few milliliters of ethanol (to quench excess sodium hydride) were added, most of the solvent was removed under vacuum and 0.2 N hydrochloric acid was added until the reaction mixture was acidic. If the product crystallized out, it was removed by filtration, washed with water, dried and crystallized from a suitable solvent. In the cases where the product did not crystallize out from the aqueous medium, the reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate, and the combined ethyl acetate extracts were washed with water and dried over magnesium sulfate. Removal of the magnesium sulfate by filtration and concentration of the filtrate gave the crude products which were purified by column chromatography eluting with 2/1 hexane:ethyl acetate. The isolated oils solidified and were crystallized from a suitable solvent. Compounds IIe and IIf were isolated by filtration.

Compounds IIa, IIb, IIc and IId were isolated by extraction. Data for the compounds prepared are listed in Table 1.

Synthesis of Substituted Ethyl 5-[(methylsulfonyl)amino]-1*H*-pyrazole-4-carboxylates III. General Procedure.

Under a nitrogen atmosphere, a substituted ethyl 5-[bis(methylsulfonyl)amino]-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxylate II (0.039 mole) was added in small portions to a stirred suspension of sodium hydride (3.2 g, 0.078 mole) in 15 ml of dimethylformamide. The temperature was kept at 10° during the addition, and then the reaction mixture was stirred at ambient temperature overnight. A few milliliters of ethanol were added, followed by 0.2 N hydrochloric acid until the reaction mixture was acidic. If a solid formed, it was removed by filtration, washed with water, dried and crystallized. In the cases where the product did not crystallize out from the aqueous medium, the same product isolation procedure described under the method for the preparation of substituted ethyl 5-[bis(methylsulfonyl)amino]-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxylates II was used to obtain the products. Compounds IIIc and IIIe were isolated by filtration. Compounds IIIa, IIIb, IIId and IIIf were isolated by extraction. Data for the compounds prepared are listed in Table 2.

Synthesis of Substituted Ethyl 5-[methyl(methylsulfonyl)-amino]-1*H*-pyrazole-4-carboxylate IV. General Procedure.

Under a nitrogen atmosphere, methyl iodide (4.46 g, 0.032 mole) was added to a stirred solution of a substituted ethyl 5-[(methylsulfonyl)amino]-1*H*-pyrazole-4-carboxylate III (0.026 mole) in 15 ml of dimethylformamide in the presence of potassium carbonate (7.0 g, 0.051 mole). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature overnight, and then water (approximately 50 ml) was added. The precipitated solid was removed by filtration, washed with water, dried and crystallized from a suitable solvent. If the product did not precipitate when the reaction mixture was diluted with water, the reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 50 ml), and the ethyl acetate extracts were combined, washed with water, and dried over magnesium sulfate. Removal of the magnesium sulfate by filtration and concentration of the filtrate gave the crude product which was purified by column chromatography eluting with 2/1

hexane:ethyl acetate. The isolated products solidified and were crystallized from a suitable solvent. Compounds IVa, IVb, IVc and IVe were isolated by filtration. Compounds IVd and IVf were isolated by extraction. Data for the compounds prepared are listed in Table 3.

Synthesis of 7-Substituted 1,7-Dihydro-1-methylpyrazolo[3,4-c]-1,2-thiazin-4(3H)-one 2, 2- Dioxides V. General Procedure.

Under a nitrogen atmosphere, sodium hydride (1.5 g, 0.0375 mole) was added to a cold (5°) solution of the substituted ethyl 5-[methyl(methylsulfonyl)amino]-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxylate IV (0.0186 mole) in 15 ml of dimethylformamide. The reaction mixture was stirred and the temperature was allowed to rise slowly to ambient temperature. After five hours at ambient temperature, approximately 1 ml of ethanol was added (to quench the excess sodium hydride), and then 1 N hydrochloric acid was added until the reaction mixture was acidic. The precipitated solid was removed by filtration, washed with water, dried and crystallized from a suitable solvent. In the cases where the product did not crystallize out from the acidic medium, the reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate, and the combined ethyl acetate extracts were washed with water, and dried over magnesium sulfate. Removal of the magnesium sulfate by filtration and concentration of the filtrate gave the crude products which were purified by column chromatography eluting with 1/1 hexane:ethyl acetate. The isolated products solidified and were

crystallized from a suitable solvent. Compounds Va and Ve were isolated by filtration. Compounds Vb, Vc, Vd and Vf were isolated by extraction. Data for the compounds prepared are listed in Table 4.

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