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# Pyrido[3,4-*e*]-1,2,4-triazines and Related Heterocycles as Potential Antifungal Agents<sup>1</sup>

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The preparation and biological activities of a series of pyrido[3,4-e]-1,2,4-triazines, 1,2,4-triazino[5,6-c]quinolines, and related fused triazines are described. Methyl, amino, and acylamino substituents were placed in the pyridyl ring of the former system. Other structural modifications included various alkyl, cycloalkyl, substituted phenyl, and heterocyclic groups in the 3-position of these ring systems. In agar dilution assays, actives in this series inhibited strains of *Candida*, *Aspergillus*, *Mucor*, and *Trychophyton* species at MIC's of  $\leq 16 \, \mu g/mL$ .

The incidence of diseases caused by fungi pathogenic to man has increased significantly over the past 30 years.<sup>2</sup> Superficial infections caused by dermatophytes and Candida species may be extremely uncomfortable or disfiguring but are rarely life threatening. Systemic infections are more severe and can often be fatal, due to the involvement of internal organs and the bloodstream. The deep mycoses (blastomycosis, coccidioidomycosis, histoplasmosis) can affect normal individuals, while opportunistic infections (aspergillosis, candidiasis, cryptococcosis) require predisposing factors in the host.<sup>3</sup> These contributing factors include drug treatment (antibiotics, steroids, immunosuppressives, antineoplastics), invasive surgery and associated procedures (parenteral nutrition, indwelling catheters), and various diseases (cancer, AIDS, diabetes). As these have become more prevalent in recent years, so has the incidence of opportunistic mycoses.<sup>4</sup>

In contrast to antibacterial chemotherapy, there are few agents effective against the more serious types of fungal diseases.<sup>5</sup> Although it has severe side effects, amphotericin B is the agent of choice, and sometimes the only effective one, for both deep and opportunistic infections. The imidazoles, miconazole and ketoconazole, are used for both superficial and systemic mycoses, but they also have their limitations as to efficacy and toxicity. There is thus a need for new drugs effective against a variety of fungi, but having low toxicity. The search for such agents has been difficult due to both host and pathogen being eucaryotic organisms with similar metabolism and the lack of detailed biochemical information about the infecting organism.

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This paper describes the preparation and biological evaluation of a series of pyrido-1,2,4-triazines and related compounds. Previous efforts in this area have been reported from our laboratory,<sup>6</sup> as well as others.<sup>7–9</sup> In these cases, detailed antifungal data were generally lacking. We have expanded upon the earlier chemical work and also present more extensive in vitro testing results. This has enabled us to draw conclusions about the structure–activity relationships in this class of compounds.

## **Results and Discussion**

**Chemical Results**. In general, the preparation of 3substituted pyrido[3,4-e]-1,2,4-triazines (10) followed previously reported methods<sup>6,7</sup> (Figure 1). These compounds are listed in Table I. Intermediates **7f**, **7g**, **7j**, **7l**, and **7o** could be isolated in pure form by filtration of the reaction mixture, washing with THF and Et<sub>2</sub>O, and drying the insoluble product. In all other cases, final products in acceptable yield and purity were obtained without purification of intermediates. Crude 10 was filtered through Magnesol and then recrystallized from an appropriate solvent to obtain analytically pure material.

4-Hydroxypyridine (1) was nitrated in a refluxing mixture of red fuming  $HNO_3$  (d = 1.6, Baker) and fuming  $H_2SO_4$  (18-24% SO<sub>3</sub>) to give 2.<sup>10</sup> This was then chlorinated to give 3.<sup>11</sup> The substituted hydrazide 7 could be

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prepared in either of two ways. Method A involved formation of 4-hydrazino-3-nitropyridine (4) and subsequent reaction with an acid chloride (5). Method B utilized direct reaction of 3 with an acylhydrazine (6). The choice of route A or B depended upon the commercial availability of 5 and 6. The nitro group in 7 was rapidly reduced to the amine 8 over a palladium catalyst. Ring closure was then effected with ethanolic HCl to give the dihydrotriazine 9. Oxidation was done with either activated  $MnO_2$  or  $K_3Fe(CN)_6$ . The former generally gave higher yields. In either case, it was necessary to neutralize the mixture prior to addition of oxidant because the final product (10) was unstable to strong acid. We also noticed that compounds with a methyl or methylene group adjacent to the ring gave poor yields on oxidation. The dihydro compounds 9 where R was 1-naphthylmethyl, carbethoxy, pentafluorophenyl, and cyanomethyl decomposed on oxidation with  $MnO_2$ .

Preparation of the parent pyridotriazine ring system (10, R = H) first required reduction of 4 to 3-amino-4hydrazinopyridine. This material is unstable on standing in air but may be dried in vacuo for a few hours and then used immediately. Ring closure was done with HC(OEt)<sub>3</sub> to give 9a, which was stable. However, crude 10 (R = H) decomposed on standing unless it was purified as soon as possible.

Three enamine derivatives were prepared by treatment of the methyl compound (10b) with *tert*-butoxybis(dimethylamino)methane and subsequent reaction with amines (Figure 2 and Table I). The products could not be hydrolyzed due to instability of the ring system to strong acid.

The 5-methyl-3-substituted series (structure 19, Figure 3) was prepared from 4-nitro-2-picoline N-oxide (15). This commercially available compound was modified so that it was in a form which could be used in the previous synthesis. Catalytic hydrogenation of 15 (PtO<sub>2</sub>, HOAc) followed by diazotization and hydrolysis<sup>12</sup> (NaNO<sub>2</sub>, aqueous



Figure 3.

 $HNO_3$ ) yielded the nitrate salt of 4-hydroxy-2-methylpyridine (17). The subsequent steps were the same as shown in Figure 1 (see Experimental Section for details). Intermediates in this sequence were usually used without purification. The analogues prepared are described in Table II.

2,6-Dimethyl-4-pyrone (20) was reacted with  $NH_4OH$  in a sealed tube to produce the corresponding pyridone (21).<sup>13</sup> This then served as the starting material for a series of 5,7-dimethyl-3-substituted-pyridotriazines (structure 25, Figure 4). The next step can produce either mono- or dinitration (22 or 23) depending on reaction conditions. Compound 23 ultimately led to a final product containing an amino function in the 8-position. The remaining steps were the same as shown in Figure 1 (see Experimental Section). The amino group was also acylated to see if changing its basicity had an effect on biological activity. The derivatives prepared are shown in Table II.

Three examples of the previously unreported 3,4-dihydropyrido[3,4-e]-1,2,4-triazine ring system were synthesized as shown in Figure 5. Compound 4 was hydrogenated and the resulting amino hydrazine was immediately condensed with a ketone in the presence of HCl to give 29. This was then dehydrogenated with activated  $MnO_2$ , yielding 30. The intermediates in this sequence were not purified. When  $R_1$  = methyl and  $R_2$  = phenyl, 4-pyridyl, or cyclopropyl, the oxidation step resulted in

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Figure 4.



Figure 5.





extensive decomposition. The derivatives prepared are shown in Table III.

The synthesis of several 3-substituted-pyrido[3,2-e]-1,2,4-triazines (33) followed known methods<sup>8</sup> (Figure 6). The intermediates were similar to those shown for the isomeric [3,4-e] series and were carried through without extensive purification. The final products are shown in Table IV. The dihydro derivative decomposed on oxidation when R was 4-pyridyl. A recent report described



Figure 8.

the antifungal activity of 1,2-dihydro-3-methylpyrido-[3,2-e]-1,2,4-triazine dihydrochloride.<sup>14</sup> We repeated the experimental procedure given in this publication and obtained the corresponding monohydrochloride monohydrate (**33b**') as shown by elemental analysis.

Two examples of 3-substituted-benzo-1,2,4-triazines (37) were prepared to see if the fused pyridine ring was necessary for biological activity (Table V). The synthetic sequence started from 2-nitrofluorobenzene (Figure 7). It was similar to that used in the pyridotriazine series, but overall yields were lower.

The preparation of some 1,2,4-triazino[5,6-c]quinolines followed previously described procedures<sup>9a,15</sup> with the modifications given in the Experimental Section (Figure 8 and Table VI). Briefly, self-condensation of nitromethane gave adduct 38, which was added directly to a solution of anthranilic acid in aqueous HCl. Overnight reaction yielded 2-( $\beta$ -nitroethylidene)aminobenzoic acid (40). Ring closure to 4-hydroxy-3-nitroquinoline (41) was effected with Ac<sub>2</sub>O (reflux for 1 h) followed by NaOAc (100 °C, then 25 °C overnight). Chlorination (PCl<sub>5</sub>, POCl<sub>3</sub>, reflux) then gave 42. This intermediate was converted into compounds of type 43 as described above for 4-chloro-3nitropyridine (3).

Two analogues based on the previously unreported 3,4-dihydro-1,2,4-triazino[5,6-c]quinoline ring system were prepared as shown in Figure 9 and Table VII. 4-Chloro-3-nitroquinoline (42) was reacted with hydrazine and then reduced to give the unstable 44. This material

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Figure 9.

was immediately dissolved in EtOH and treated successively with ketone 28 and ethanolic HCl. The resulting tetrahydro derivative 45 was oxidized with activated  $MnO_2$  to 46. The intermediates in this sequence were not purified. When  $R_1$  = methyl and  $R_2$  = 3-thienyl, or  $R_1$  = ethyl and  $R_2$  = benzyl, extensive decomposition occurred in the oxidation step.

Biological Results (Table IX). 1. Pyrido[3,4-e]-1,2,4-triazines (10). Derivatives in which R = hydrogen(10a), methyl (10b), 4-fluorophenyl (10o), or 3- and 4pyridyl (10aa, 10bb) had the best overall antifungal activity. Extending the hydrocarbon side chain beyond methyl or replacement with cycloalkyl or trifluoromethyl tended to decrease potency. Good biological activity was retained when the 3-substituent was phenoxymethyl (10g), phenyl (101), 3-fluorophenyl (10n), or 3,4-difluorophenyl (10q). Other phenyl substituents, including 2-fluoro (10m), 2,4-difluoro (10p), and electron-withdrawing groups ( $CF_3$ , CN) were less potent. The 2-pyridyl isomer (10z) and pyrazine substituent (10cc) had decreased activity, but a quinoxaline group (10dd) was still effective against some Candida species. The 3-[2-(dialkylamino)vinyl]-substituted pyrido[3,4-e]-1,2,4-triazines (12) were substantially less active.

2. 5-Methyl- and 5,7-Dimethylpyrido[3,4-e]-1,2,4triazines (19, 25, 26). Methylation of the fused pyridyl ring in the 5-position decreased overall antifungal activity. The parent 5,7-dimethylpyridotriazine (25a) was comparable to the best derivatives in the unsubstituted series (10). However, addition of substituents at C-3 such as methyl, 4-fluorophenyl, and 4-pyridyl, which retained high activity in the latter case, had the opposite effect in 25. Addition of an amino or acylamino group at C-8 in 25 produced nearly inactive compounds.

3. 3,4-Dihydropyrido[3,4-*e*]-1,2,4-triazines (30), Pyrido[3,2-*e*]-1,2,4-triazines (33), and Benzo-1,2,4triazines (37). All of these variations had decreased antifungal activity. The weak activity of the benzotriazines indicates the importance of a fused pyridine ring.

4. 1,2,4-Triazino[5,6-c]quinolines (43) and 3,4-Dihydro-1,2,4-triazino[5,6-c]quinolines (46). The unsubstituted triazinoquinoline (43a) was comparable to the analogous pyridotriazine (10a). Addition of a fused benzene ring had no effect in this case. However, the 3-methyl (43b) and 3-(4-pyridyl) (43c) derivatives were less potent. The corresponding dihydro series was also weakly active.

5. Several of the analogues that we prepared had overall in vitro antifungal activity equal to or greater than miconazole and nystatin. They are 10a, 10b, 10o, 10aa, 10bb, 25a, and 43a. None of the synthetic compounds approached the potency of amphotericin B.

## **Experimental Section**

**Biological Methods.** The in vitro antifungal effects of these compounds were determined by an agar dilution method. Twofold serial dilutions of the drugs were prepared in yeast nitrogen base medium (Difco) supplemented with 1% dextrose, 0.15% asparagine, and 1.5% agar. Amphotericin B, miconazole, and nystatin were used as controls. The agar surfaces in petri plates were inoculated with the organisms by means of the Steers multiple inocula replicator. Incubation was at 35 °C for 24-48 h. The lowest concentration that inhibited the visible growth of a culture was recorded as the minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC).

Chemical Methods. Unless otherwise noted, materials were obtained from commercial sources and were used without further purification. Activated MnO<sub>2</sub> was supplied by Aldrich. Column chromatography was done on silica gel 60 (E. Merck, 230-400 mesh). Thin-layer chromatography was done on commercial silica gel plates (Analtech) containing  $CaSO_4$  binder and fluorescent indicator. The solvents were generally CHCl<sub>3</sub>-MeOH mixtures. Organic extracts were dried over anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub>. Melting points were determined in open Pyrex capillary tubes on a Meltemp melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. Elemental analyses were obtained for all new compounds reported and are within  $\pm 0.4\%$  of theoretical value unless otherwise specified. <sup>1</sup>H nuclear magnetic resonance (<sup>1</sup>H NMR) spectra were determined with either a Varian FT 80 (80-MHz) or General Electric QE-300 (300-MHz) spectrometer in appropriate deuterated solvents and are expressed in parts per million ( $\delta$ , ppm) downfield from tetramethylsilane (internal standard). Significant <sup>1</sup>H NMR data are given as multiplicity (s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; q, quartet; br, broad), coupling constant in Hz, number of protons, and assignments. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra for all final products are given in Table VIII. Infrared (IR) spectra were taken with either a Perkin-Elmer Model 1310 or Nicolet Model 7199 recording spectrophotometer. Only important diagnostic peaks for the infrared are listed below. Mass spectra (MS) were obtained on a Finnigan MAT CH-7 mass spectrometer in the electron impact mode. A molecular ion was usually observed in the mass spectrum, together with a significant M-28 (N<sub>2</sub>) peak. 4-Hydroxy-3-nitropyridine (2).<sup>10</sup> Red fuming HNO<sub>3</sub> (288

4-Hydroxy-3-nitropyridine (2).<sup>10</sup> Red fuming HNO<sub>3</sub> (288 mL, 460 g; d = 1.6, Baker) was chilled in ice while 240 mL (460 g; d = 1.92, 18–24% SO<sub>3</sub>, Baker) of fuming H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> was slowly added. This was followed by 98.6 g (1.03 mol) of 4-hydroxy-pyridine added over 15 min. The solution was slowly heated until an exothermic reaction and N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> evolution occurred. The heat source was removed, and after the reaction had subsided, it was refluxed for 1 h. It was then cooled to room temperature and poured slowly over ice. The resulting suspension was recooled, treated cautiously with 850 mL of concentrated NH<sub>4</sub>OH, and chilled overnight. The precipitated product was collected, washed with ice water (2×), and dried. The yield was 104 g (72%) of light yellow crystals, mp 276–278 °C (lit. 278–279 °C). It was used without purification.

4-Chloro-3-nitropyridine (3).<sup>11</sup> 4-Hydroxy-3-nitropyridine (106 g, 0.757 mol) was added to a stirred slurry of 173 g (0.833 mol) of PCl<sub>5</sub> and 170 mL of POCl<sub>3</sub> held at 60–70 °C. The mixture solidified and the temperature was raised to 130–140 °C as the solids gradually dissolved. The reaction was held at this temperature for 6 h, and then volatile material was removed in vacuo. The residue was poured onto ice and H<sub>2</sub>O. After the ice had melted, solid Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> was slowly added until the mixture was basic. The organic material was extracted into Et<sub>2</sub>O, Darco was added, and the mixture was filtered through MgSO<sub>4</sub> and evaporated. The residue was distilled (air cooled short path; bp = 53–80 °C/0.2–0.4 mmHg) into an ice-cooled receiver to give 105.7 g (87%) of light yellow crystals. The product was stored under Ar in a freezer. Material obtained prior to distillation could also be used in subsequent reactions.

4-Hydrazino-3-nitropyridine (4). A solution of 64 mL (66.2 g, 1.32 mol) of  $H_2NNH_2 \cdot H_2O$  in 225 mL of EtOH was added dropwise with rapid overhead stirring to a solution of 105.2 g (0.662 mol) of 3 in 850 mL of EtOH with ice cooling. Addition was complete after 1.5 h, and stirring was continued for 0.75 h at 0 °C and at 25 °C for 3.5 h. After chilling overnight, the product was collected by filtration, washed with cold EtOH and  $H_2O$  (3×), and dried. The crude material was recrystallized from methyl Cellosolve (Darco) to yield 77.9 g (77%) of brick red crystals, mp 202-203 °C dec (1+.16 200 °C).

## Table I. Pyrido[3,4-e]-1,2,4-triazines

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compd no.	R	method of preparation <sup>a</sup>	method of oxidation	yield, % <sup>b</sup>	mp, °C/ recrystn solvent	formula <sup>c</sup>
10a	Н		$K_3Fe(CN)_6$	36	88–90/hexanes	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> N <sub>4</sub>
10b	$CH_3$	В	MnO <sub>2</sub>	52	111–113/EtOH	$C_7H_6N_4$
10 <b>c</b>	$C_3 H_7$	В	$MnO_2$	25	27.5–29.5/hexanes	$C_9H_{10}N_4$
10 <b>d</b>	$(CH_2)_{16}CH_3$	В	$MnO_2$	18	64–65.5/hexanes	$C_{23}H_{38}N_4$
10e	$C(CH_3)_3$	Ad	$K_3Fe(CN)_6$	25	oil	$C_{10}H_{12}N_4$
1 <b>0f</b>	$CF_3$	Ae	$K_3Fe(CN)_6$	45	37–39/heptane, then hexanes	$C_7H_3F_3N_4$
1 <b>0g</b>	СН20-	A <sup>f</sup>	$MnO_2$	45	115–116/EtOH	$\mathrm{C}_{13}\mathrm{H}_{10}\mathrm{N}_{4}\mathrm{O}$
10 <b>h</b>	$\prec$	Α	$MnO_2$	15	113.5–116.5/EtOH	$C_9H_8N_4$
10i		А	$MnO_2$	40	57.5–58.5/ <b>EtOH</b>	$C_{10}H_{10}N_4$
10j		А	$K_3Fe(CN)_6$	37	39-41/hexanes	$\mathrm{C}_{11}\mathrm{H}_{12}\mathrm{N}_{4}$
10 <b>k</b>	-	А	$K_3Fe(CN)_6$	72	65–67/hexanes	$C_{12}H_{14}N_4$
101	-	В	$K_3 Fe(CN)_6$	9	124–127/EtOH	$C_{12}H_{18}N_4$
10m		А	MnO <sub>2</sub>	10	131-132/EtOH	$C_{12}H_7FN_4$
10 <b>n</b>	F	Α	$K_3 Fe(CN)_6$	46	111–113/EtOH	$C_{12}H_7FN_4$
1 <b>0o</b>	F	А	$K_3Fe(CN)_6$	61	157–158/EtOH	$C_{12}H_7FN_4$
10 <b>p</b>	F F	Α	$MnO_2$	70	124–125/EtOH	$\mathrm{C}_{12}\mathrm{H}_{6}\mathrm{F}_{2}\mathrm{N}_{4}$
1 <b>0</b> q		А	$MnO_2$	32	157.5–159/EtOH	$\mathrm{C}_{12}\mathrm{H}_{6}\mathrm{F}_{2}\mathrm{N}_{4}$
1 <b>0r</b>	С(СH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	В	MnO <sub>2</sub>	76	164.5-165.5/EtOH	$\mathrm{C_{16}H_{16}N_4}$
10 <b>s</b>		А	$MnO_2$	77	209–210/methyl Cellosolve	$\mathrm{C}_{13}\mathrm{H}_{7}\mathrm{F}_{3}\mathrm{N}_{4}$
10t	-CN	А	$MnO_2$	61	236–238/methyl Cellosolve	$\mathrm{C_{13}H_7N_5}$
1 <b>0u</b>		В	$MnO_2$	59	201–202/methyl Cellosolve	$C_{18}H_{12}N_4$
10 <b>v</b>		В	MnO <sub>2</sub>	20	205–207/EtOH	$C_{14}H_{13}N_5$
1 <b>0w</b>		В	$MnO_2$	63	153–155/methyl Cellosolve	$\mathrm{C}_{14}\mathrm{H}_{12}\mathrm{N}_4\mathrm{O}$
10 <b>x</b>	осн <sub>з</sub>	Α	$MnO_2$	15	170–171/EtOH	$C_{15}H_{14}N_4O_3$
	оснз					
1 <b>0y</b>		Α	$MnO_2$	73	180–182/methyl Cellosolve	$\mathrm{C_{16}H_{10}N_4}$
1 <b>0</b> z	~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~	В	$K_3 Fe(CN)_6$	8	159–161/g	$C_{11}H_7N_5$
10a <b>a</b>	N	В	$K_3Fe(CN)_6$	18	166–168/EtOH	$\mathrm{C}_{11}\mathrm{H}_{7}\mathrm{N}_{5}$
1 <b>0bb</b>		В	$MnO_2$	17	178–179.5/CHCl <sub>3</sub>	$\mathrm{C_{11}H_7N_5}$

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compd no.	R	method of preparation <sup>a</sup>	method of oxidation	yield, % <sup>b</sup>	mp, °C/ recrystn solvent	formula
10cc	N N	В	K <sub>3</sub> Fe(CN) <sub>6</sub>	25	176–177/EtOH	$C_{10}H_6N_6$
10 <b>dd</b>	N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N	A	$MnO_2$	27	217–219/methyl Cellosolve	$\mathrm{C}_{14}\mathrm{H}_8\mathrm{N}_6$
1 <b>2</b> a	CH=CHN(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>			21	152-154/h	$C_{10}H_{11}N_5$
1 <b>2b</b>	сн=сни			11	150–152/EtOH (2×)	$C_{13}H_{15}N_{5}$
12c	сн==сни и-снз			8	$138-140/PhCH_3$	$\mathrm{C}_{13}\mathrm{H}_{16}\mathrm{N}_{6}$

<sup>a</sup>See Results and Discussion. <sup>b</sup>Overall from 3 or 4. <sup>c</sup>Analyzes to within  $\pm 0.4\%$  for each element unless otherwise noted. <sup>d</sup>Compound 9e must be oxidized with ferricyanide to avoid contamination of the final product with Mn. Compound 10e was purified by flash chromatography (silica, 30% EtOAc in hexanes). <sup>e</sup>Acylation was with (CF<sub>3</sub>CO)<sub>2</sub>O. <sup>f</sup>The oxidation of 9g must be done with MnO<sub>2</sub>. <sup>e</sup>Recrystallized from *i*-PrOH, filtered through Magnesol (EtOAc), and evaporated. <sup>h</sup>The reaction was evaporated and the residue was filtered through Magnesol (EtOAc) and dried in vacuo.

Table II. 5-Methyl- and 5,7-Dimethylpyrido[3,4-e]-1,2,4-triazines

	N N N CH <sub>3</sub> 19	H <sub>3</sub> C, R	R2 NN CH3 25	$H_{3}C \xrightarrow{R_{3}} N_{N}$ $N \xrightarrow{R_{3}} N_{N}$ $CH_{3}$ $26$	
compd no.	R, R <sub>2</sub> , R <sub>3</sub> (26)	method of oxidation	yield, % ª	mp, °C/ recrystn solvent	formula <sup>b</sup>
19a 19b	H CH <sub>3</sub>	MnO <sub>2</sub> MnO <sub>2</sub>	15° 5	116–117.5/hexanes 72–74/hexanes (2×)	$\begin{array}{c} C_7H_6N_4\\ C_8H_8N_4\end{array}$
1 <b>9c</b>	- <n< th=""><th><math>MnO_2</math></th><th>46</th><th>151.5–153.5/<b>EtOH</b></th><th><math>C_{12}H_9N_5</math></th></n<>	$MnO_2$	46	151.5–153.5/ <b>EtOH</b>	$C_{12}H_9N_5$
25a 25b	Н, Н СН <sub>3</sub> , Н	$MnO_2$ $MnO_2$	$\frac{18^d}{35}$	62-63/petroleum ether (2×) 97.5-98/hexanes	C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>8</sub> N <sub>4</sub> C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>10</sub> N <sub>4</sub>
25c	F, н	$MnO_2$	31	189–190/cyclohexane	$\mathrm{C}_{14}\mathrm{H}_{11}\mathrm{FN}_4$
25d	N, н	$MnO_2$	23	160–162/hexanes	$\mathrm{C}_{13}\mathrm{H}_{11}\mathrm{N}_{5}$
25e	$CH_3$ , $NH_2$	$MnO_2$	17	171–173/cyclohexane	$C_9H_{11}N_5$
25f		$K_3 Fe(CN)_6$	10	228–231/CH <sub>3</sub> CN	$\mathrm{C}_{14}\mathrm{H}_{12}\mathrm{FN}_{5}$
25g	N, NH <sub>2</sub>	$MnO_2$	17	221-224/EtOH-EtOAc	$C_{13}H_{12}N_6$
26a 26b	NHCOCH <sub>3</sub> NHCOPh		46 8	280–285/methyl Cellosolve (2×) 242–244/methyl Cellosolve (2×)	C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>14</sub> FN <sub>5</sub> O <sup>e</sup> C <sub>21</sub> H <sub>16</sub> FN <sub>5</sub> O

<sup>a</sup>Compounds 19: overall from 18. Compounds 25 and 26: overall from 24. <sup>b</sup>See footnote c, Table I. <sup>c</sup>Based on 2-methyl-3-nitro-4-(1H)pyridinone hydrazone. <sup>d</sup>Based on 2,6-dimethyl-3-nitro-4(1H)pyridinone hydrazone. <sup>e</sup>Analyzes for 0.125 mol of H<sub>2</sub>O.





compd no.	R <sub>1</sub>	$R_2$	yield, %ª	mp, °C/ recrystn solvent	formula <sup>b</sup>
30a 30b	CH <sub>3</sub> -((	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> )5-	48 63	143-145/PhCH <sub>3</sub> <sup>c</sup> 127-129/d	C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>10</sub> N <sub>4</sub> C <sub>11</sub> H <sub>14</sub> N <sub>4</sub>
30c	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	СН2	46	136–138/PhCH <sub>3</sub> (2×)	$C_{15}H_{16}N_4$

<sup>a</sup> Overall from 4. <sup>b</sup> See footnote c, Table I. <sup>c</sup> Recrystallized from PhCH, filtered through Magnesol (EtOAc), and evaporated. <sup>d</sup> Filtered twice through Magnesol (10% MeOH/EtOAc, then Et-OAc) and evaporated. <sup>e</sup>C: calcd, 71.40; found, 71.86.

Table IV. Pyrido[3,2-e]-1,2,4-triazines



compd no.	R	yield, %ª	mp, °C/ recrystn solvent	formula <sup>b</sup>
33a 33b	H CH3	26 44	145–148/EtOH 170–171/EtOH	$C_6H_4N_4$ $C_7H_6N_4$
3 <b>3</b> c		30	223–224/methyl Cellosolve	$\mathrm{C_{12}H_7N_4F}$

<sup>a</sup>Overall from 31. <sup>b</sup>See footnote c, Table I.

Acy1 Derivatives of 4-Hydrazino-3-nitropyridine (7). Compounds of this type were prepared in two ways: method A, acylation of 4 with an acid chloride, or method B, reaction of 3 with a hydrazide. A specific example of each procedure is given.

Table V. Benzo-1,2,4-triazines



<sup>a</sup> Overall from 35. <sup>b</sup>See footnote c, Table I. <sup>c</sup>See Experimental Section.

Table VI. 1,2,4-Triazino[5,6-c]quinolines



compd no.	R	yield, %ª	mp, °C/ recrystn solvent	formula <sup>b</sup>
43a	Н	45	162-163/EtOH	C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>6</sub> N <sub>4</sub>
43b	$CH_3$	21	128–130/ <i>c</i>	$C_{11}H_3N_4$
43c	~N	25	216–217/methyl Cellosolve	C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>9</sub> N <sub>5</sub> <sup>d</sup>

<sup>a</sup> Overall from 42. <sup>b</sup>See footnote c, Table I. <sup>c</sup>Filtered through Magnesol (EtOAc) and evaporated. <sup>d</sup>C: calcd, 69.49; found, 69.02.

Table VII. 3,4-Dihydro-1,2,4-triazino[5,6-c]quinolines



<sup>a</sup> Overall from 4-hydrazino-3-nitroquinoline. <sup>b</sup>See footnote c, Table I.

Method A. A slurry of 6.00 g (0.0390 mol) of 4 in 150 mL of THF at 0 °C under Ar was treated dropwise with a solution of 6.70 mL (9.36 g, 0.0449 mol) of 4-(trifluoromethyl)benzoyl chloride in 8 mL of THF. The thick mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 1.5 h and at 25 °C overnight. It was then filtered, and the product was washed with THF and with  $Et_2O$  and dried in vacuo over KOH. The yield of **7s** was 13.8 g of yellow crystals.

When  $R = CF_3$ , trifluoroacetic anhydride was used as the acylating agent and 7f was obtained as the free base. Although pure samples of 7f, 7l, and 7o could be obtained and characterized, the crude products were generally used directly in the next step.

Method B. A mixture of 6.00 g (0.0377 mol) of 3 and 6.94 g (0.0377 mol) of 4-phenylbenzhydrazide in 60 mL of EtOH was refluxed for 5 h and then chilled overnight. The product was collected by filtration, washed with cold EtOH, and dried in vacuo. The yield of 7u was 12.5 g of yellow crystals. The crude products made in this way were carried on to the next step without being purified or characterized. Pyrazinoic acid hydrazide (6cc) was prepared by reaction of methyl pyrazinecarboxylate with H<sub>2</sub>N-NH<sub>2</sub>:H<sub>2</sub>O in refluxing EtOH; other hydrazides were commercially available.

2-(3-Amino-4-pyridinyl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzoic Acid Hydrazide Hydrochloride (8s). A mixture of 13.8 g (0.0394 mol) of 7s in 300 mL of 95% EtOH containing 1 g of 5% Pd/C was hydrogenated in a Parr apparatus at ca. 45 psi until there was no more  $H_2$  uptake. The reaction was then filtered through Celite, and the filter cake was washed well with 95% EtOH. The filtrate and wash were combined and evaporated to give 13.6 g of gray crystals.

This procedure is typical for all the compounds of this type. They could not be purified due to their instability and were used as is. The hydrogenation was sometimes run as a slurry in EtOH or aqueous EtOH. In the case of **7r** and **7u**, TFA was added to dissolve the starting material; HCl was used for this purpose with **7bb** and **7cc**. Water or EtOH could be added to the reduced product in order to solubilize it prior to filtering off the catalyst.

3-[4-(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1,2-dihydropyrido[3,4e]-1,2,4-triazine·nHCl (9s). The crude amine, 8s (13.6 g), wasdissolved in 375 mL of EtOH, and 35 mL of ethanolic HCl wasadded. The thick mixture was stirred for 5h at 25 °C and refluxedfor 1.5 h. The solvent was then removed, and the residue wasdried in vacuo to give 9s.

All other compounds of type 9 were prepared in this way. They could not be adequately purified and characterized due to their instability. However, purification at this stage was unnecessary in order to obtain analytical samples of 10.

3-[4-(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl]pyrido[3,4-e]-1,2,4-triazine (10s). The crude dihydro compound 9s prepared above was dissolved in 600 mL of  $H_2O$ , and the pH was adjusted to ca. 6 with 5 M NaOH. The thick precipitate was stirred vigorously while 13.7 g (0.158 mol) of activated MnO<sub>2</sub> was added. After 50 min, TLC indicated no starting material. The reaction was continued for an additional 0.5 h and then filtered through Celite. The filter cake was washed with  $H_2O$ , EtOH, and CHCl<sub>3</sub> until all colored material was eluted. The filtrate and washes were combined and evaporated, and the residue was recrystallized from methyl Cellosolve. The yield was 8.32 g (77% overall from 4) of orange crystals, mp 209-210 °C.

Although  $K_3Fe(CN)_6$  has been used for this reaction, activated  $MnO_2$  is preferred because it produces fewer byproducts and higher yields. In either case, it is essential to keep the reaction from becoming acidic because this leads to product decomposition. Concentrated  $NH_4OH$  was used with  $K_3Fe(CN)_6$  and dilute NaOH with  $MnO_2$  for this purpose. If significant lower  $R_f$  impurities were seen by TLC, then the crude product was filtered through Magnesol (CHCl<sub>3</sub> or 3-5% MeOH in CHCl<sub>3</sub>) prior to recrystallization. When  $R = CH_2OPh$ , oxidation with ferricyanide failed and  $MnO_2$  was used. When  $R = C(CH_3)_3$ , 10e contained Mn which could not be easily removed; ferricyanide was used as oxidant in this case. A procedure for the use of  $K_3Fe(CN)_6$  is given below.

The crude dihydro compound 9 was dissolved in  $H_2O$  and the pH adjusted to 8 with concentrated NH<sub>4</sub>OH. An aqueous solution of K<sub>3</sub>Fe(CN)<sub>6</sub> (1 equiv) was added all at once. The mixture was stirred for 3 min and then extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The extracts were combined, dried, and evaporated. The residue was purified by filtration through Magnesol followed by recrystallization. Compound 10e was purified by flash chromatography (silica gel, 30% EtOAc in hexanes).

**Pyrido**[3,4-*e*]-1,2,4-triazine (10a).<sup>6a</sup> A mixture of 6.16 g (0.04 mol) of 4 in 200 mL of 95% EtOH containing 0.750 g of 5% Pd/C was hydrogenated on a Parr apparatus. After H<sub>2</sub> uptake had ceased, the reaction was filtered through Celite and the filter cake was washed well with additional solvent. The combined filtrate and wash were evaporated, and the residue was dried in vacuo for several hours. The crude product (tan solid) weighed 4.9 g and was used immediately in the next step.

A slurry of 4.9 g (0.0395 mol) of the aminohydrazine in 105 mL of  $HC(OEt)_3$  containing 6.5 mL of concentrated HCl was stirred for 2.5 h. The insoluble material was collected by filtration, washed with  $HC(OEt)_3$ , and dried. The yield of 9a was 7.1 g (orange crystals). It was used directly in the next step.

Concentrated NH<sub>4</sub>OH (70 mL, 1.02 mol) was added to 7.1 g (0.0343 mol) of 9a in 140 mL of H<sub>2</sub>O. This solution was then treated with 22.6 g (0.0686 mol) of K<sub>3</sub>Fe(CN)<sub>6</sub> in 345 mL of H<sub>2</sub>O for 2 min. The reaction was extracted several times with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. These extracts were combined, treated with Darco, filtered through MgSO<sub>4</sub>, and evaporated. In one experiment, this crude material decomposed on standing overnight, so it should be purified immediately. The residue from the CHCl<sub>3</sub> extracts was boiled with

hexanes and deposited some brown tarry material. Darco was added, and the mixture was filtered through Celite. Crystals formed on standing overnight in a freezer. They were collected, washed with hexanes, and dried to yield 1.9 g (36% from 4) of 10a (orange crystals), mp 88–90 °C (lit. 90-91.5 °C).

**N**, **N**-**D**imethyl-2-(**pyrido**[3,4-*e*]-1,2,4-triazin-3-yl)ethenamine (12a). A mixture of 0.731 g (0.005 mol) of 10b in 40 mL (3.38 g, 0.0194 mol) of *tert*-butoxybis(dimethylamino)methane (11) was heated in an oil bath (90-100 °C) for 2 h. Volatile material was then removed in vacuo, and the residue was filtered through Magnesol (EtOAc) until no more colored material was eluted. Solvent removal yielded 0.410 g (41%) of purple crystals: mp 152-154 °C; IR (KBr)  $\nu$  1628 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=C).

3-[2-(1-Piperidinyl)ethenyl]pyrido[3,4-e]-1,2,4-triazine (12b). A solution of 1.00 g (0.00497 mol) of 12a in 20 mL (17.2 g, 0.202 mol) of piperidine was refluxed for 20 h. Most of the piperidine was evaporated, and the residue was azeotroped with EtOH. The solid that remained was recrystallized twice from EtOH to yield 0.640 g (53%) of dark purple crystals: mp 150-152 °C; IR (KBr)  $\nu$  1625 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=C).

**3-[2-(4-Methyl-1-piperazinyl)ethenyl]pyrido[3,4-e]-1,2,4triazine (12c).** A solution of 0.500 g (0.00248 mol) of **12a** in 5 mL (4.51 g, 0.0452 mol) of *N*-methylpiperazine was refluxed for 17 h. Volatile material was removed in vacuo, and the residue was dissolved in hot PhCH<sub>3</sub>. This solution was diluted with 2 volumes of hexanes and chilled. The resulting precipitate was collected, redissolved in 5% MeOH in EtOAc, and eluted through Magnesol. Solvent evaporation and recrystallization from PhCH<sub>3</sub> gave 0.240 g (38%) of dark purple crystals: mp 138-140 °C; IR (KBr)  $\nu$  1630 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=C).

4-Amino-2-picoline (16). 4-Nitro-2-picoline N-oxide (140.7 g, 0.914 mol) was hydrogenated in five batches on a Parr apparatus at ca. 40 psi; there was 28.1 g of nitro compound, 1.0 g of  $PtO_{2}$ , and 150 mL of glacial HOAc in each batch. The hydrogenation was rapid and exothermic. The combined reaction mixtures were filtered through Celite, the filter cake was washed with HOAc, and the solvent was evaporated. The residue was cooled in an ice bath and basified (pH  $\sim$ 11) with 10 M NaOH. The mixture was extracted repeatedly with Et<sub>2</sub>O, and the extracts were combined, dried  $(K_2CO_3)$ , and evaporated to give 12.8 g of product. The basified aqueous solution was then continuously extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub> for 3 days. The CHCl<sub>3</sub> solution was dried and evaporated to give an additional 79.7 g of product. The total yield was 92.5 g (94% crude) of 16 as a reddish orange solid. The melting point range of this material was 77-89 °C, and a sample recrystallized from cyclohexane had mp 93-95 °C (lit.<sup>17</sup> 95 °C). The crude material was used in the next reaction.

2-Methyl-4-pyridinol Nitrate (17).<sup>12</sup> A solution of 50.4 g (0.0466 mol) of 16 in 278 mL of concentrated HNO<sub>3</sub> + 374 mL of H<sub>2</sub>O was cooled in an ice bath. It was treated with 46.6 g (0.676 mol) of NaNO<sub>2</sub> in 137 mL of H<sub>2</sub>O added dropwise with vigorous stirring (temperature  $\leq 20$  °C). After addition was complete (ca. 30 min), the reaction was stored at -2 °C overnight. The solid product was then collected, washed twice with ice water, and dried in vacuo (64 °C). The yield was 31.7 g (40%) of beige crystals, mp 164-165 °C (lit. 157-161 °C). Anal. Calcd: C, 41.86; H, 4.68; N, 16.28. Found: C, 41.48; H, 4.61; N, 16.27.

2-Methyl-3-nitro-4-pyridinol. Compound 17 (51.6 g, 0.300 mol) was added in portions to a solution of 115 mL of concentrated  $H_2SO_4$  and 115 mL of fuming  $HNO_3$  (d = 1.5). The reaction was refluxed for 2 h, cooled, and poured over cracked ice. The resulting clear solution was cautiously neutralized with 43 g of Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> and chilled. The product was collected, washed with ice water (2 × 50 mL), and dried in vacuo (60 °C), to give 30.7 g (66% crude) of pale yellow solid: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  2.33 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 6.35 (d, J = 4 Hz, 1 H, H-5), 7.73 (d, J = 4 Hz, 1 H, H-6).

4-Chloro-2-methyl-3-nitropyridine (18). A solution of 30.5 g (0.200 mol) of 2-methyl-3-nitro-4-pyridinol in 100 mL of POCl<sub>3</sub> was refluxed for 2 h. The POCl<sub>3</sub> was removed in vacuo, and the residue was poured over ice. Solid Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> and then NaHCO<sub>3</sub> were added to pH  $\sim$ 6. The mixture was extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>, and the extract was washed with ice water (2×) and dried. Solvent

evaporation gave 26.7 g of light brown solid, which was stored at 0 °C and used without further purification.

5-Methylpyrido[3,4-e]-1,2,4-triazine (19a) was prepared in four steps from 18 and H<sub>2</sub>NNH<sub>2</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O without purification of intermediates as described for 10a. The final oxidation was with MnO<sub>2</sub>. Since this pyridotriazine was partially soluble in water, the oxidation mixture was filtered and the cake was washed well with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The aqueous filtrate was continuously extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub> to obtain more crude product. Both batches of crude material were combined and recrystallized from hexanes to give a 15% overall yield of yellow crystals, mp 116-117.5 °C.

**3,5-Dimethylpyrido**[3,4-e]-1,2,4-triazine (19b) was prepared in four steps from 18 and acethydrazide without purification of intermediates as described for 10b. The final oxidation was with  $MnO_2$ , and crude product was isolated both by filtration of the reaction and by  $CHCl_3$  extraction of the aqueous filtrate. This material was then eluted through Magnesol (EtOAc) and recrystallized from hexanes (2×) to give a 5% overall yield of brown crystals, mp 72-74 °C.

5-Methyl-3-(4-pyridinyl)pyrido[3,4-e]-1,2,4-triazine (19c) was prepared in four steps from 18 and isonicotinic acid hydrazide without purification of intermediates as described for 10bb. Oxidation was with MnO<sub>2</sub>, and purification was similar to 19b. The overall yield was 46% of brown crystals after recrystallization from EtOH, mp 151.5-153.5 °C.

**2,6-Dimethyl-4-pyridone (21).** The procedure of Bellingham et al.<sup>13</sup> was utilized, the yield of gray solid was 90%, and it melted at 231-233 °C (lit. 222-224 °C).

**2,6-Dimethyl-3-nitro-4-pyridinol (22).** Compound **21** (68.5 g, 0.557 mol) was added in portions to concentrated HNO<sub>3</sub> (257 mL, d = 1.42). Concentrated H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> (368 mL) was then added slowly while keeping the temperature below 20 °C. Stirring was continued at room temperature for 3 h. The reaction was then slowly poured onto cracked ice and neutralized with K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> and finally with concentrated NH<sub>4</sub>OH to pH 8. The chilled mixture was filtered, and the product was washed well with H<sub>2</sub>O and dried in vacuo at 72 °C. The yield of off-white solid was 87 g: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  2.18 (s, 3 H, C-6 CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.22 (s, 3 H, C-2 CH<sub>3</sub>), 6.03 (s, 1 H, H-5).

2,6-Dimethyl-3,5-dinitro-4-pyridinol (23). Compound 21 (67.4 g, 0.547 mol) was added in portions to a chilled mixture of fuming HNO<sub>3</sub> (203 mL, d = 1.5) and concentrated H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> (305 mL). The solution was refluxed for 2 h and then poured onto cracked ice. Concentrated NH<sub>4</sub>OH was cautiously added to pH 6, the chilled mixture was filtered, and the solid product was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and dried in vacuo (60 °C). The yield of yellow solid was 99 g. The NMR spectrum of the crude material showed a single peak at  $\delta$  2.38 (DMSO- $d_{\delta}$ ).

4-Chloro-2,6-dimethyl-3-nitropyridine (24) ( $\mathbf{R}_1 = \mathbf{H}$ ) was prepared according to ref 18. The yield of white solid was 20% and had mp 68-70 °C (lit. 70-71 °C). This material was used without further purification.

4-Chloro-2,6-dimethyl-3,5-dinitropyridine (24) ( $\mathbf{R}_1 = \mathbf{NO}_2$ ) was prepared in the same way as 24 ( $\mathbf{R}_1 = \mathbf{H}$ ). The yield of pale yellow solid was 41% and had mp 135-139 °C (lit.<sup>19</sup> 143.5-144 °C). This compound was used without further purification.

**3-Substituted-5,7-dimethylpyrido**[3,4-e]-1,2,4-triazines (25) ( $\mathbf{R}_2 = \mathbf{H}$ ). This series of four compounds was prepared in four steps from 24 ( $\mathbf{R}_1 = \mathbf{H}$ ) and  $\mathbf{H}_2\mathbf{NNH}_2\mathbf{\cdot}\mathbf{H}_2\mathbf{O}/\mathbf{HC}(\mathbf{OC}_2\mathbf{H}_5)_3$  or an acylhydrazine (6) without purification of intermediates. The procedures were essentially the same as described for compounds 10. See Table II.

3-Substituted-8-amino-5,7-dimethylpyrido[3,4-e]-1,2,4triazines (25) ( $\mathbf{R}_2 = \mathbf{NH}_2$ ). This series of three compounds was prepared in four steps from 24 ( $\mathbf{R}_1 = \mathbf{NO}_2$ ) and an acylhydrazine (6) without purification of intermediates. The procedure was similar to that described for compounds 10. See Table II.

N-[3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-5,7-dimethylpyrido[3,4-e]-1,2,4triazin-8-yl]acetamide (26a). A solution of 2.00 g (0.00743 mol) of 25f in 50 mL of Ac<sub>2</sub>O was heated on a steam bath for 30 min.

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Table VIII. <sup>1</sup>H Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectra of Final Products<sup>a,b</sup> compd

no.	solvent	proton resonances
10a	CDCl	10.18 (s. 1.H. H-3)
10b	CDCl <sub>2</sub>	3.23 (s, 3 H, CH <sub>2</sub> )
10c	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	1.11 (t, $J = 7, 3$ H, CH <sub>2</sub> ), 2.08 (m, 2 H, CH <sub>2</sub> ), 3.49 (t, $J = 7, 2$ H, CH <sub>2</sub> )
10 <b>d</b>	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	0.876 (t, $J = 7, 3$ H, CH <sub>3</sub> ), 1.25 [s, 24 H, (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>12</sub> ], 2.03 (m, 2 H, CH <sub>2</sub> ), 3.49 (t, $J = 7, 2$ H, CH <sub>2</sub> )
10e	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	1.66 $[s, 9 H, C(CH_3)_3]$
10g	$DMSO-d_6$	5.90 (s, 2 H, CH <sub>2</sub> ), 7.15 (m, 5 H, phenyl)
10h	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	1.40 (m, 4 H, $CH_2CH_2$ ), 2.83 (m, 1 H, CH)
101	CDCI <sub>3</sub>	2.18 (m, 2 H, CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> ), 2.63 (m, 4 H, CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> ), 4.41 (quintet, $J = 8, 1$ H, CH)
10]	DMSO- $d_6$	$1.83 \text{ [m, 4 H, CH}_2(\text{CH}_2)_2(\text{CH}_2), 2.18 \text{ [m, 4 H, CH}_2(\text{CH}_2)_2(\text{CH}_2), 3.93 \text{ (quintet, 1 H, CH)}$
101	$DMS0-a_6$	$1.75$ [m, 10 n, $(CR_{2})_{5}$ ], $3.36$ (m, 1 n, $CH$ )
101 10m	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	7.45 (m, 3.1, phenyl), 8.50 (m, 1.1, phenyl)
10n	CDCl	7.50 (m, 2 H, phenyl), 8.55 (m, 2 H, phenyl)
100	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	7.35 (dd, $J_{HH} = 8.8, J_{HF} = 8.4, 2$ H, phenyl), 8.81 (dd, $J_{HH} = 8.8, J_{HF} = 5.6, 2$ H, phenyl)
10 <b>p</b>	$DMSO-d_6$	7.55 (m, 2 H, phenyl), 8.41 (m, 2 H, phenyl)
10 <b>q</b>	$CDCl_3$	7.42 (m, 1 H, phenyl), 8.60 (m, 2 H, phenyl)
10r	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	1.40 [s, 9 H, $C(CH_3)_3$ ], 7.60 (d, $J = 9$ , 2 H, phenyl), 8.68 (d, $J = 9$ , 2 H, phenyl)
10s	DMSO- $d_6$	8.08 (m, 2 H, phenyl), 8.95 (m, 2 H, phenyl)
100		(.94 (d, J = 9, 2 H, pnenyl), 8.94 (d, J = 9, 2 H, pnenyl)
100	DMSO.d.	$7.50 \text{ (m, 5 n, pieny)}, 7.50 \text{ (u, J = 0, 2 \text{ n}, \text{ pieny)}, 8.53 \text{ (d, J = 0, 2 \text{ n}, \text{ pieny)}$
10w		1.49 (t. $J = 7, 3$ H, CH <sub>0</sub> ), 4.16 (a, $J = 7, 2$ H, CH <sub>0</sub> ), 7.07 (d. $J = 9, 2$ H, phenyl), 8.70 (d. $J = 9, 2$ H, phenyl)
10x	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	4.06 (s, 3 H, OCH <sub>2</sub> ), 4.13 (s, 6 H, OCH <sub>2</sub> ), 8.15 (s, 2 H, phenvl)
10y	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	7.58 (m, 2 H, naphthalene), 7.96 (m, 3 H, naphthalene), 8.75 (dd, $J = 8$ , $J = 1$ , 1 H, naphthalene), 9.36 (s, 1 H,
		naphthalene)
10z	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	7.58 (m, 1 H, pyridyl), 8.05 (m, 1 H, pyridyl), 9.00 (m, 3 H, H-7 and pyridyl)
1088 1066		(7,60,(ad, J = 8, J = 5, 1, H, pyridyl), 9,00, (m, 3, H, H-7, pyridyl), 9,78, (8, 1, H, pyridyl)
1000	CDCla	894 (m 2 H nyrspine) 1011 (d $J = 2$ H nyrspine)
10 <b>d</b> d	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	7.93 (m, 2 H, quinoxaline), 8.35 (m, 2 H, quinoxaline), 10.28 (s, 1 H, quinoxaline)
1 <b>2</b> a	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	3.10 [s, 6 H, N(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ], 5.62 (d, $J = 13$ , 1 H, =-CH), 8.03 (d, $J = 6$ , 1 H, H-8), 8.26 (d, $J = 13$ , 1 H, =-CH), 8.55
1.01		(d, J = 6, 1 H, H-7), 9.20 (s, 1 H, H-5)
126	CDCI <sub>3</sub>	1.73 [s (br), 6 H, $CH_2$ 's], 3.43 [s (br), 4 H, $CH_2$ 's], 5.75 (d, $J = 14, 1 H, ==CH$ ), 8.05 (d, $J = 6, 1 H, H-8$ ), 8.24 (d, $J = 14, 1 H, ==CH$ ) 8.50 (d, $J = 6, 1 H, H-7$ ), 0.21 (e, 1 H, H 5)
12c	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	(d, J = 14, 111, -CH), 5.55 (d, J = 0, 111, H-1), 5.21 (s, 111, H-5) 2.38 (s, 3 H, CH <sub>3</sub> ), 2.53 (m, 4 H, CH <sub>2</sub> 's), 3.50 (m, 4 H, CH <sub>3</sub> 's), 5.79 (d, J = 14, 1 H, -CH), 8.08 (d, J = 5, 1 H, H-8),
		8.23 (d, $J = 14$ , 1 H, ==CH), 8.63 (d, $J = 5$ , 1 H, H-7), 9.25 (s, 1 H, H-5)
19a	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	3.15 (s, $3$ H, CH <sub>3</sub> ), $8.23$ (d, $J = 6, 1$ H, H-8), $8.89$ (d, $J = 6, 1$ H, H-7), $10.15$ (s, $1$ H, H-3)
19b	CDCI <sub>3</sub>	3.08 (s, 3 H, C-5 CH <sub>3</sub> ), 3.25 (s, 3 H, C-3 CH <sub>3</sub> ), 8.15 (d, $J = 5, 1$ H, H-8), 8.78 (d, $J = 5, 1$ H, H-7)
190	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	$3.25 (s, 3 H, CH_3), 5.25 (d, J = 5, 1 H, H-5), 5.63 (m, 2 H, pyridyi), 9.00 (m, 3 H, pyridyi) and H-() 282 (a, 2 H, C, 7, CH) \ge 10 (a, 2 H, C, 5, CH) \ge 0.02 (a, 1 H, H, 2) = 10.07 (a, 1 H, H, 2)$
25a 25b	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	2.55 (s, 3 H C-7 CH <sub>2</sub> ) 3.10 (s, 5 H C-5 CH <sub>2</sub> ) 3.05 (s, 1 H C-7 CH <sub>2</sub> ) 7.91 (s, 1 H H-8)
25c	CDCl <sub>2</sub>	2.80 (s, 3 H, C-7 CH <sub>2</sub> ), 3.05 (s, 3 H, C-5 CH <sub>2</sub> ), 7.26 (m, 2 H, phenyl), 7.96 (s, 1 H, H-8), 8.75 (m, 2 H, phenyl)
25d	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	2.84 (s, 3 H, C-7 CH <sub>3</sub> ), 3.15 (s, 3 H, C-5 CH <sub>3</sub> ), 8.05 (s, 1 H, H-8), 8.59 (dd, $J = 6$ , $J = 1$ , 2 H, pyridyl), 8.91 (dd,
		J = 6, J = 1, 2 H, pyridyl)
25e	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	2.60 (s, 3 H, C-7 CH <sub>3</sub> ), 2.85 (s, 3 H, C-5 CH <sub>3</sub> ), 3.15 (s, 3 H, C-3 CH <sub>3</sub> ), 5.00 [s (br), 2 H, NH <sub>2</sub> ]
201 25a	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	2.64 (s, 3 H, $C^{-1}$ CH <sub>3</sub> ), 2.95 (s, 3 H, $C^{-5}$ CH <sub>3</sub> ), 3.08 [s (07), 2 H, NH <sub>2</sub> ], 7.26 (m, 2 H, pnenyl), 8.76 (m, 2 H, pnenyl) 2.68 (s, 3 H, $C^{-7}$ CH, 3 00 (s, 3 H, $C^{-5}$ CH) 5.15 (s (b <sub>2</sub> ) 2 H NH1 8.50 (dd $I = 6$ $I = 1$ 2 H puridial) 8.01
20g	CDCI <sub>3</sub>	(dd, J = 6, J = 1, 2 H, pyridyl)
26a	$CDCl_3$	2.25 (s, 3 H, COCH <sub>3</sub> ), 2.63 (s, 3 H, C-7 CH <sub>3</sub> ), 3.10 (s, 3 H, C-5 CH <sub>3</sub> ), 7.30 (m, 2 H, phenyl), 8.75 (m, 2 H, phenyl),
	Ŭ	10.28 [s (br), 1 H, NH]
26b	$DMSO-d_6$	2.65 (s, 3 H, C-7 CH <sub>3</sub> ), 3.05 (s, 3 H, C-5 CH <sub>3</sub> ), 7.60 (m, 5 H, phenyl and 4-fluorophenyl), 8.16 (m, 2 H, phenyl), 8.71
90	CDCI	(m, 2H, 4-1) uorophenyi), 10.8 [s (br), 1H, NH]
308 30h	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	1.50 (5, 0 $\Pi$ , C $\Pi_3$ 5), 4.00 (5 (07), 1 $\Pi$ , N $\Pi$ ), 7.04 (d, $J = 0, 1 \Pi, \Pi = 0, 0, 0.10$ (d, $J = 0, 1 \Pi, \Pi = 1, 0, 0.19$ (5, 1 $\Pi, \Pi = 0, 0$ ) 1.85 (m 10 $\Pi$ cyclobasyl) 4.00 (c (br) 1 $\Pi$ N $\Pi$ ) 7.62 (d, $J = 0, 1 \Pi$ H $_2$ ) 8.14 (d, $J = 0, 1 \Pi$ H $_2$ ) 8.00 (c 1 $\Pi$
000	CD013	(H, 10, 11, 0) (10, 11, 11, 11, 11, 11, 11, 11, 11, 11,
30c	$CDCl_3$	0.995 (t, $J = 7, 3$ H, CH <sub>3</sub> ), 1.76 (m, 1 H, CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> ), 2.31 (m, 1 H, CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> ), 2.91 (d, $J = 13, 1$ H, CH <sub>2</sub> Ph), 3.00 (d,
	÷	$J = 13, 1$ H, $CH_2$ Ph), $3.80$ [s (br), 1 H, NH], $7.09$ (dd, $J = 8, J = 2, 2$ H, phenyl), $7.27$ (m, 3 H, phenyl), $7.61$ (d,
	DMGO I	J = 5, H-8, 8.12 (m, 2 H, H-5 and H-7)
338	$DMSO-a_6$	(a, J = 8, J = 4, 1 H, H-6), 8.66 (dd, J = 8, J = 2, 1 H, H-6), 9.43 (dd, J = 4, J = 2, 1 H, H-7), 10.23
33h	CDCl	(5, 111, 11-5) 3 19 (s. 3 H. CH <sub>2</sub> ), 7.92 (dd. $J = 8, J = 4, 1$ H. H-6), 8.39 (dd. $J = 8, J = 2$ H-5), 9.25 (dd. $J = 4, J = 2$ H-7)
33c	$DMSO-d_6$	7.50 (m, 2 H, phenyl), 8.13 (m, 1 H, H-6), 8.63 (m, 3 H, phenyl and H-5), 9.30 (m, 1 H, H-7)
37a	$CDCl_3$	3.13 (s, 1 H, CH <sub>3</sub> ), 7.85 (m, 3 H, phenyl), 8.50 (m, 1 H, phenyl)
37b	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	7.60 (m, 3 H, H-3, H-4, and H-5 of phenyl side chain), 7.83 (m, 1 H, H-6 or H-7 of fused phenyl), 7.97 (m, 1 H,
		n-o or n-i of iused phenyi), $3.10 (a, J = 3.3, 1 H, H-5 or H-8 of Iused phenyi), 3.54 (a, J = 7.8, 1 H, H-5 or H-8 of fused phenyi)$
43a	CDCl.	3.00  (m, 2  H, H, s  and  H), $8.36  (m, 1  H, H-10)$ , $9.44  (m, 1  H, H-7)$ , $9.60  (s, 1  H, H-5)$ , $10.2  (s, 1  H, H-3)$
43b	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	3.25 (s, 3 H, CH <sub>3</sub> ), 7.95 (m, 2 H, H-8 and H-9), 8.33 (m, 1 H, H-10), 9.41 (m, 1 H, H-7), 9.54 (s, 1 H, H-5)
43c	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	8.00 (m, 2 H, H-8 and H-9), 8.38 (m, 1 H, H-10), 8.63 (d, J = 6, 2 H, pyridyl), 8.95 (d, J = 6, 2 H, pyridyl), 9.46
40-	CDCI	(m, 1 H, H-7), 9.68 (s, 1 H, H-5) 150 (a, 6 H, CH 2a) 4.97 (a, (b)) 1 H, NH) 750 (b) 1 - 74 J - 74 H, H 2a - H 2b) 760 (b) 760 (b) 1 - 74 J - 74 H
408	CDCI3	1.57 (s, 0 n, $\Box_{13}$ s), 4.27 (s (D7), 1 n, Nn), 7.59 (dd, $J = 7, 1$ H, H-8 or H-9), 7.66 (dd, $J = 7.4, J = 7, 1$ H, H-8 or H-9), 8.02 (d, $J = 7, 1$ H H-10), 8.58 (d, $J = 7, 1$ H H-7), 8.59 (e, 1 H, H-5)
46b	CDCl <sub>2</sub>	1.65 (m, 6 H, cyclohexyl), 1.90 (m, 2 H, cyclohexyl), 2.11 (m, 2 H, cyclohexyl), 4.00 [s (br), 1 H, NH]. 7.56 (dd.
	o	J = 7.4, J = 7, 1 H, H-8 or H-9), 7.65 (dd, $J = 7.4, J = 7, 1$ H, H-8 or H-9), 8.00 (d, $J = 7, 1$ H, H-10), 8.55
		(d, J = 7, 1 H, H-7), 8.61 (s, 1 H, H-5)

### Footnotes to Table VIII

<sup>a</sup> The chemical shifts are recorded in  $\delta$  values and the coupling constants in hertz. The spectra were recorded in the solvent specified with tetramethylsilane as internal reference. The NMR peaks are designated as follows: s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; q, quartet; br, broad. <sup>b</sup> The 3-substituted pyrido[3,4-e]-1,2,4-triazines (10) displayed resonances in the following ranges: 8.28-8.58 (dd, J = 6-7, J = 1, or d, J = 6, 1 H, H-8); 8.86-9.25 (d, J = 6-7, 1 H, H-7); 9.94-9.98 (s or d, J = 1, 1 H, H-5). Spectral data unique to specific compounds are given in the table. <sup>c</sup> IR (KBr)  $\nu$  2235 cm<sup>-1</sup> (CN).

Table IX.	Antifungal	Activity.	Range of Minimum	Inhibitory	Concentrations	$(\mu g/mL)^a$
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compd	compd organism (no. of strains) <sup>o</sup>									
no.	C.a.(4)	C.p. (1)	C.t. (2)	C.ps. (2)	C.r.(1)	C.s.(1)	A.n. (4)	T.m. (3)	T.r. (2)	M.f.(1)
10	0.10	10	0.10		0 (1)	0.07 (1)	10.00			
10a	8-16	16	8-16	4	8	8	16-32	2-4	1-2	8
10b	8-16	16	8	8	16	32	16 - 32	16	4-8	16
10 <b>c</b>	32-64	64	32 - 64	16	64	64	32 - 64	32	8-32	64
10 <b>d</b>	128		128	128	>128	>128	128			128
10e	64	64	64	64			64	32 - 64	16-32	
10f	16 - 32		32	8-16	16	16	32			8
10g	8-16		16	8-16	8	16	16 - 32			4
10h	16		32	16	64	64	32			16
101	8-16		32	16	32	32	16-32			16
101	8-16		64	16	16	32	16-32			10
10]-	16_64	61	22-64	20	20	20	20_64	16	4-16	61
101	16	16	9_16	9_16	30	16	16_99	10		N109
101	10	10	0-10	20-10	10	10	10-32	0	2-4	-120
10m 10-	32	32	02	32	10	32	10	0	2-4	64 10
lun	10	16	8-16	8	16	32	16-32	4	1-2	16
100	8-16	8	8-16	8	8	8	16-32	4-8	4	64
10p	16-32	16	16	32			16 - 32	8	2	
10 <b>q</b>	16	16	4-16	8			32-64	4	1-2	
10 <b>r</b>	128		128	128	>128	>128	128			128
10s	64 - 128	128	128	128	>128	>128	128	64	8-32	>128
10t	64	64	8-32	4-8	>128	128	32 - 128	4-8	2-4	128
10 <b>u</b>	128		128	128	>128	>128	64 - 128			128
10v	64	64	64	32			32 - 128	8	2-4	
10w	64		64	64	>128	>128	64 - 128			128
10x	64 - 128		128	64	128	128	128			128
10v	128		128	128	>128	>128	128			128
107	64	64	64	32-64	64	16	32	32	2-4	64
1099	8-16	16	4-16	4	16	32	16-32	4	1_2	>128
10 <b>h</b> h	8	8	4-8		32	32	8-16	4	2-4	20
1000	64	0	61	20	64	64	32-64	7	2 4	64
1022	° S		Q Q	9	30	30	20			20
190	64		109	109	16	16	64-199			52
12a 19h	64-199	108	100	120	10	10	64-120	16	1.9	04
120	100	120	120	120	20	20	64 - 120	10	4-0	100
120	16 20	64	16 20	120	32	32	20	0 00	4	120
15a 10b	9 16	102	0 20	0 16			32	0-02	4	
190	16	120	16 20	0-10			20 64	0	0	
150	10	16	10-32	0-10			32-04	0-10	0-10	
208 951	4-0	10	4-0	4-0	64	<b>C</b> 4	02 100	4-0	4	10
200	100		02 100	100	04 > 100	04 > 100	32-120	0-32	10-32	10
290	120		128	128	>128	>128	128	64	64	64
250 25.	32-64	100	128	32	32	32	64-128	32-128	64-128	>128
250	128	128	128	64-128	. 100	N 100	128	32-64	32-64	100
251	>128	>128	>128	100	>128	>128	>128	128	128	128
25g	128	100	128	128	>128	>128	64-128	32	16	64
268	128	128	128	128			128	64-128	32-128	
260	128	128	128	128			128	64-128	32-64	
308	128	128	128	128			128	128	128	
306	128	128	128	128			128	32-64	32-64	
30c	128	128	32-128	1-32			128	16 - 32	32	
33a	64	32	64	32			16 - 32	32	32	
33b	128	64	128	128			32 - 64	128	128	
33b′	64	64	64	64			32 - 64	32-64	8-32	
33 <b>c</b>	128		128	128	128	128	16 - 128	32	>128	
37a	128	128	64 - 128	128			128	64 - 128	64 - 128	
37b	64		128	128	128	128	128		64	
43 <b>a</b>	8-16	16	16	8			8-16	4	4-8	
43b	32	32	32	32			16 - 32	32	32	
43c	128	128	128	2-4			64 - 128	64	64	
46a	128	128	128	128			128	64 - 128	64 - 128	
46b	128	128	128	128			128	64	64	
amphotericin	0.25 - 0.5	0.5	0.25 - 0.5	0.5	>128	>128	0.5	1	0.5	0.25
miconazole	8-16	16	8-16	0.25 - 4	8	8	8	2	1	8
nystatin	16	16	16	8	>128	>128	16	16 - 32	32	16

<sup>a</sup>agar dilution assay (see Experimental Section). <sup>b</sup>Abbreviations: C.a., Candida albicans; C.p., Candida parapsilosis; C.t., Candida tropicalis; C.ps., Candida pseudotropicalis; C.r., Candida rugosa; C.s., Candida stellatoidea; A.n., Aspergillus niger; T.m., Trychophyton mentagrophytes; T.r., Trychophyton rubrum; M.f., Mucor fragilis.

The resulting solid was collected by filtration, washed with HOAc  $(2\times)$ , recrystallized from methyl Cellosolve  $(2\times)$ , and dried in vacuo (60 °C). The yield was 1.07 g (46%) of orange crystals: mp

280-285 °C; IR (KBr) ν 1660 cm<sup>-1</sup> (CO). N-[3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-5,7-dimethylpyrido[3,4-e]-1,2,4triazin-8-yl]benzamide (26b). A solution of 2.75 g (0.0102 mol) of 25f and 1.30 mL (1.58 g, 0.0112 mol) of benzoyl chloride in 50 mL of pyridine was heated on a steam bath for 2 h. Solvent was removed in vacuo, and the residue was triturated with H<sub>2</sub>O and then extracted several times with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The organic extracts were combined, washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (2×), dried, and evaporated. The residue was recrystallized from methyl Cellosolve (2×) to give 0.285 g (8%) of brown crystals: mp 242–244 °C; IR (KBr)  $\nu$  1662 cm<sup>-1</sup> (CO).

1,2,3,4-Tetrahydro-3,3-dimethylpyrido[3,4-e]-1,2,4-triazine Dihydrochloride (29a). Compound 4 was reduced to 27 as described previously and used immediately after drying in vacuo. The aminohydrazine (4.03 g, 0.0324 mol) was dissolved in 100 mL of EtOH and treated with 4.76 mL (3.77 g, 0.0649 mol) of acetone and 22 mL of EtOH saturated with HCl. The reaction was stirred overnight and then refluxed for 1 h. It was filtered and the resulting solid was washed with EtOH and dried in vacuo (65 °C). The yield of off-white crystals was 5.28 g (69%) and had mp 185-187 °C dec. Anal. (C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>14</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>4</sub>) C, H, N, Cl.

1',4'-Dihydrospiro[cyclohexane-1,3'(2'H)-pyrido[3,4-e]-[1,2,4]triazine] dihydrochloride (29b) was prepared as above in 64% yield from 4 and cyclohexanone, giving off-white crystals, mp 184–186 °C dec. Anal. (C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>18</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>4</sub>) C, H, N, Cl.

3-Ethyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-(phenylmethyl)pyrido[3,4e]-1,2,4-triazine hydrochloride (29c) was prepared in 83% yield from 4 and 1-phenyl-2-butanone, giving off-white crystals, mp 100-110 °C. Anal. ( $C_{15}H_{18}N_4$ ·1.625HCl·0.625H<sub>2</sub>O) C, H, N; Cl: calcd, 17.74; found, 17.31.

Compounds 30 were prepared by oxidation of 29 with excess activated MnO<sub>2</sub>. Product purification is given below.

3,4-Dihydro-3,3-dimethylpyrido[3,4-e]-1,2,4-triazine (30a) was filtered through Magnesol (10% MeOH in EtOAc), recrystallized from PhCH<sub>3</sub>, and again filtered through Magnesol (EtOAc). After drying in vacuo, the yield was 48% of orange crystals.

Spiro[cyclohexane-1,3'(4'H)-pyrido[3,4-e][1,2,4]triazine] (30b) was filtered twice through Magnesol (10% MeOH in EtOAc, then EtOAc) to give a 63% yield of orange crystals.

3-Ethyl-3,4-dihydro-3-(phenylmethyl)pyrido[3,4-e]-1,2,4triazine (30c) was filtered through Magnesol (EtOAc), recrystallized twice from PhCH<sub>3</sub> and dried in vacuo (64 °C) to give a 57% yield of orange crystals. The side chains of this compound show restricted rotation.

2-Hydrazino-3-nitropyridine (34)<sup>6b</sup> was prepared by reaction of 2-chloro-3-nitropyridine with  $H_2NNH_2$ · $H_2O$  in MeOH at 25 °C overnight. After solvent removal, the residue was partitioned between CHCl<sub>3</sub> and  $H_2O$ . The organic layer was drawn off, dried, and evaporated to give a quantitative yield of orange-brown crystals. This material was used without further purification.

An analytical sample was prepared by recrystallization from EtOH, mp 165.5–167.5 °C (lit. 170–171 °C). Anal.  $(C_5H_6N_4O_2)$  C, H, N.

**Pyrido[3,2-e]-1,2,4-triazine** (33a).<sup>6b</sup> This compound was prepared from 34 by reduction to the amine, cyclization, and dehydrogenation (Figure 6). Intermediates were not purified. The crude product from  $MnO_2$  oxidation was filtered through Magnesol (5% MeOH in CHCl<sub>3</sub>) and recrystallized from EtOH to give red-orange crystals, mp 145–148 °C (lit. 151–152 °C).

Acetic Acid 2-(3-Nitro-2-pyridyl)hydrazide (32b).<sup>8b</sup> A mixture of 10.0 g (0.0631 mol) of 2-chloro-3-nitropyridine, 5.84 g (0.0789 mol) of acethydrazide, and 16.5 mL (12.2 g, 0.0947 mol) of *i*-Pr<sub>2</sub>NEt in 130 mL of *t*-BuOH was refluxed overnight. The solvent was removed in vacuo, and the residue was filtered through Magnesol (10% MeOH in CHCl<sub>3</sub>) and recrystallized from EtOH. Filtration yielded 5.9 g of scarlet crystals. The evaporated mother liquors were boiled with hexanes and diluted with EtOH to obtain additional product, 3.38 g of red crystals. Both products were red initially and slowly turned yellow on standing. This has been ascribed to polymorphs.<sup>8b</sup> An analytical sample of this material could not be obtained, and it was used as is: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  1.95 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 6.95 (dd, J = 8 Hz, J = 5 Hz, 1 H, H-5), 8.50 (m, 2 H, H-4, NH), 9.74 [s (br), 1 H, H-6], 10.25 (s, 1 H, NH).

1,2-Dihydro-3-methylpyrido[3,2-e]-1,2,4-triazine Hydrochloride (33b').<sup>6b,8b</sup> Compound 32b (9.3 g, 0.0474 mol) was hydrogenated in 200 mL of EtOH containing 0.8 g of 5% Pd/C catalyst. The crude product was a tan foam (8.0 g). It was slurried in 150 mL of EtOH, 40 mL of EtOH saturated with HCl was added, and the mixture was stirred overnight. Solvent was then removed, and the residue was recrystallized from EtOH to yield 5.31 g (41% from 31) of yellow crystals, mp 214–216 °C dec. Lewis and Shepherd<sup>6b</sup> report 220 °C and Gelleri et al.<sup>8b</sup> report 218–219 °C for the dihydrochloride salt. Our microanalytical data fit for the monohydrochloride monohydrate. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>9</sub>ClN<sub>4</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O: C, 41.49; H, 5.47; N, 27.65; Cl, 17.50. Found: C, 41.40; H, 5.35; N, 27.88; Cl, 17.61.

A Karl Fischer water analysis could not be done due to the reducing nature of the substrate.

The mother liquors from the first crop were evaporated to give an additional 3.3 g of material which was used in the next oxidation step.

3-Methylpyrido[3,2-e]-1,2,4-triazine (33b).<sup>6b,8b</sup> The corresponding dihydro compound (33b', 7.11 g, 0.0323 mol) was dissolved in 150 mL of  $H_2O$ , neutralized with 5 M NaOH, and treated with 11.2 g (0.129 mol) of activated MnO<sub>2</sub> for 1.25 h. The mixture was filtered through Celite, the filter cake was washed with  $H_2O$  and EtOH, and the combined filtrate and washings were evaporated. The residue was heated with 5% MeOH in CHCl<sub>3</sub> and filtered. The filtrate was partially evaporated and passed through Magnesol. The eluent was evaporated and the residue was recrystallized from EtOH. The yield was 3.35 g (44% from 31) of orange needles, mp 170–171 °C (lit.<sup>6b</sup> 171–172 °C).

3-(4-Fluorophenyl)pyrido[3,2-e]-1,2,4-triazine (33c). Compound 32c was prepared from 2-chloro-3-nitropyridine, 4fluorobenzhydrazide, and triethylamine as described for 32b. The resulting material was hydrogenated (5% Pd/C, 95% EtOH) and cyclized with ethanolic HCl. The dihydro compound was dissolved in H<sub>2</sub>O, neutralized with NH<sub>4</sub>OH, and treated with K<sub>3</sub>Fe(CN)<sub>6</sub> for 3 min. The crude final product was filtered through Magnesol (5% MeOH in CHCl<sub>3</sub>) and recrystallized from methyl Cellosolve to give a 30% yield (overall from 31) of red-brown crystals, mp 223-224 °C.

Acetic Acid 2-(2-Nitrophenyl)hydrazide (36a). A solution of 1-fluoro-2-nitrobenzene (14.8 g, 0.105 mol) and acethydrazide (7.40 g, 0.100 mol) in 100 mL of methyl Cellosolve was refluxed for 5.5 h. Solvent was removed in vacuo and the residual redorange oil was crystallized with acetone. This yielded 7.23 g of orange solid which was slurried with H<sub>2</sub>O, adjusted to pH 8 with aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and then extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The extracts were dried and evaporated to yield 2.07 g (11%) of yellow-orange solid, mp 139-142 °C (lit.<sup>20</sup> 142-144 °C). Anal. (C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>9</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>) C, H, N. This product was carried through the subsequent steps.

3-Methylbenzo-1,2,4-triazine (37a). Crude 36a was hydrogenated in 50% aqueous EtOH containing 6 M HCl and 5% Pd/C as catalyst. The product from this reaction was dissolved in 60 mL of EtOH and then chilled to -20 °C. After filtration, the solution was diluted with 100 mL of EtOH and 25 mL of 6 M HCl and refluxed for 1.5 h. Solvent was evaporated, and the residue was redissolved in 200 mL of H<sub>2</sub>O and treated with excess activated MnO<sub>2</sub> for 2 h. The reaction was filtered through Celite, and the filter cake was washed well with 5% MeOH in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The aqueous filtrate was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and the organic material was combined and evaporated. The residue was removed in vacuo to give 0.220 g (1% from 35) of yellow-brown solid, mp 89–92 °C (lit.<sup>20</sup> 97–98 °C). Anal. (C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>7</sub>N<sub>3</sub>) C, H, N.

Benzoic acid 2-(2-nitrophenyl)hydrazide (36b) was prepared in the same way as 36a; reflux time was 20 h. The evaporated reaction mixture was dissolved in  $CH_2Cl_2$ , filtered, washed with aqueous KHCO<sub>3</sub>, and H<sub>2</sub>O, dried, and evaporated. The residue was recrystallized from EtOH (Darco) to give 10.6 g (41%) of orange crystals, mp 172–174 °C (lit.<sup>20</sup> 163–165 °C). Anal. (C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>11</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>) C, H, N.

**3**-Phenylbenzo-1,2,4-triazine (37b). Compound 36b was hydrogenated in absolute EtOH containing 5% Pd/C. The crude product was recrystallized from EtOAc to give 84% of white crystals, mp 165–166 °C (lit.<sup>20</sup> 163–164 °C). Anal. ( $C_{13}H_{13}N_3O$ ) C, H, N.

The amine was cyclized and oxidized according to ref 19. The crude benzotriazine was extracted into  $CH_2Cl_2$  and evaporated. Elution of the residue through Magnesol with hexanes-EtOAc (8:1) and recrystallization from cyclohexane gave **37b** (12% from

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**35**) as orange-brown crystals, mp 120–124 °C (lit.<sup>20</sup> 126–127 °C). Anal.  $(C_{13}H_9N_3)$  C, H, N.

4-Chloro-3-nitroquinoline (42).9ª This material was prepared according to refs 9a and 15, but with the following modifications. Compound 40 was refluxed with Ac<sub>2</sub>O for 1 h. The reaction was held at 100 °C while anhydrous NaOAc was added. Stirring was continued at room temperature overnight. The crude product was isolated by pouring the reaction into  $H_2O$ . Chlorination was accomplished by heating the crude anhydrous nitroquinoline in a mixture of POCl<sub>3</sub> and PCl<sub>5</sub>. After reaction was complete, volatiles were removed in vacuo and the residue was taken up in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. This solution was slowly poured into excess ice-cold NH,OH and filtered to remove insoluble 41. The organic layer was removed and combined with two additional CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> extracts of the aqueous layer. Drying of the extract, filtration through Magnesol, and solvent removal gave crude 42 as light yellow crystals. This material was stable when stored cold and was used as is.

1,2,4-Triazino[5,6-c]quinoline (43a). 4-Hydrazino-3-nitroquinoline was prepared from 42 and  $H_2NNH_2$ · $H_2O$  (*i*-PrOH, room temperature, 20 h). It was then converted to 43a by the procedure used for 10a. Oxidation was with MnO<sub>2</sub>. The crude product was filtered through Magnesol (EtOAc) and recrystallized from EtOH to give orange crystals (45% overall from 42), mp 162–163 °C. Anal. ( $C_{10}H_6N_4$ ) C, H, N.

3-Methyl-1,2,4-triazino[5,6-c]quinoline (43b) was prepared from 42 and acethydrazide in the same way as the analogous pyridotriazine. After oxidation with  $MnO_2$ , the crude product was filtered through Magnesol (EtOAc) and evaporated to give yellow crystals (21% overall from 42), mp 128–130 °C. Anal. ( $C_{11}H_8N_4$ ) C, H, N.

3-(4-Pyridinyl)-1,2,4-triazino[5,6-c]quinoline (43c) was prepared from 42 and isonicotinic acid hydrazide in the same way as the analogous pyridotriazine. After oxidation with MnO<sub>2</sub>, the crude product was recrystallzed from methyl Cellosolve (2×) to give orange crystals (25% overall from 42), mp 216–217 °C. Anal. ( $C_{11}H_8N_4$ ) H, N; C: calcd, 69.49; found, 69.02.

3,4-Dihydro-3,3-dimethyl-1,2,4-triazino[5,6-c] quinoline (46a). 4-Hydrazino-3-nitroquinoline was hydrogenated over 10% Pd/C. A slurry of 1.18 g (0.00671 mol) of the reduction product (44) in 100 mL of acetone was refluxed for 1.5 h with 3.5 mL of ca. 6 M anhydrous HCl in absolute EtOH. The crude product (1.5 g) was collected by filtration, dissolved in 50 mL of H<sub>2</sub>O, neutralized (1 M NaOH), and treated with MnO<sub>2</sub> (2.60 g, 0.0299 mol). Recrystallization from PhCH<sub>3</sub> gave 0.460 g (35% from the nitrohydrazine) of orange crystals, mp 166–168 °C. Anal. ( $C_{12}H_{12}N_4$ ) C, H, N.

Spiro[cyclohexane-1,3'(4'H)-[1,2,4]triazino[5,6-c]quinoline] (46b). A mixture of 4.0 g (0.0230 mol) of 44, 6.37 g (0.0459 mol) of cyclohexanone, and 22 mL of ca. 6 M anhydrous HCl in absolute EtOH was refluxed for 2 h. The reaction mixture was evaporated, and the residue was washed with Et<sub>2</sub>O (2×) to give crude 45b. This was oxidized with MnO<sub>2</sub> as above. Filtration through Magnesol (EtOAc) and recrystallization from EtOAchexanes gave 0.53 g (19% from the nitrohydrazine) of red-orange crystals, mp 146–148 °C. Anal. ( $C_{15}H_{16}N_4$ ) C, H, N.

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