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## Syntheses Based on $\alpha$ -Azidooximes: II.\* Preparation of 6,7-Dihydrotriazolopyrazinones from Aliphatic Nitro Compounds

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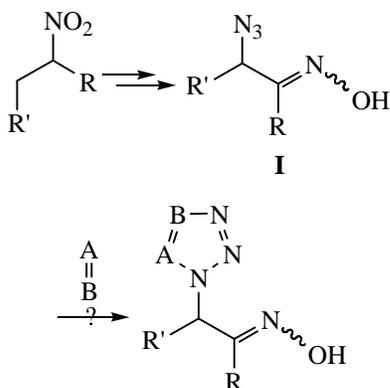
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**Abstract**— $\alpha$ -Azidooximes readily obtained from aliphatic nitro compounds were cleanly converted into previously unknown 6,7-dihydro[1,2,3]triazolo[1,5-*a*]pyrazin-4(5*H*)-ones via [3+2]-cycloaddition to dimethyl acetylenedicarboxylate and reduction of the oximino group in forming intermediates.

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We recently developed a convenient procedure for the synthesis of  $\alpha$ -azidooximes **I** from aliphatic nitro compounds [2]. In this event  $\alpha$ -azidooximes **I** become promising reagents for preparation of versatile polyfunctional compounds. In the previous communication [1] we reported on the opportunities involving total or partial reduction of the  $\alpha$ -azidooximino moiety. No less promising is bringing the azido group of oximes **I** into reactions of [3+2]-cycloaddition (Scheme 1).

Scheme 1.



\* For Communication I see [1].

1,3-Dipolar cycloaddition of azides is comprehensively treated in a series of monographs (see, for instance, [3]). However not a single example of the participation of azidooximes **I** in this process was described.

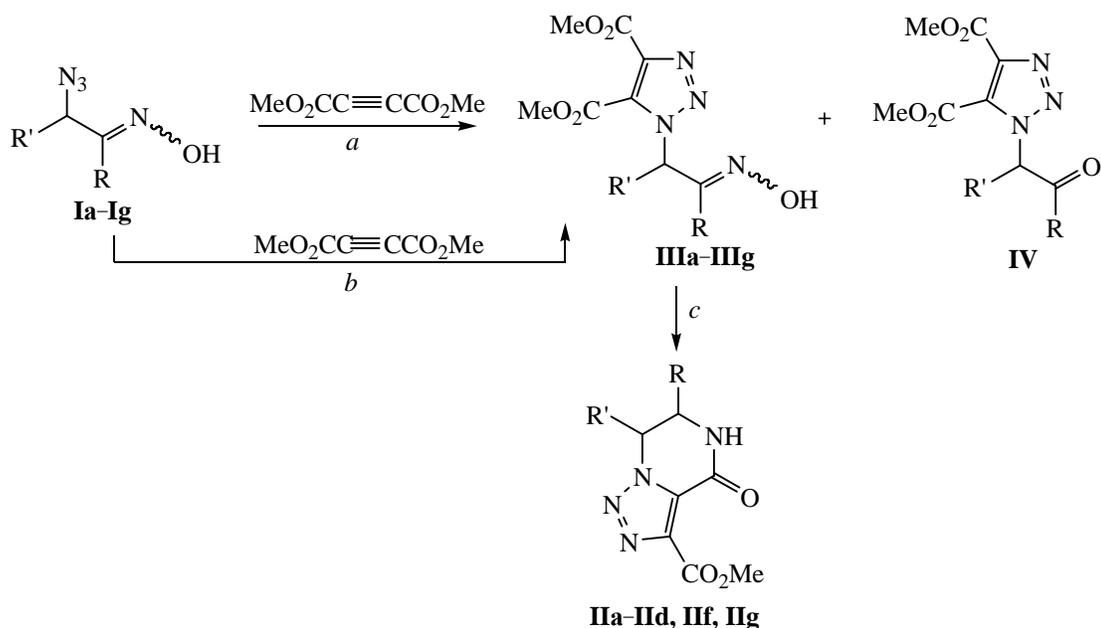
In this study the [3+2]-cycloaddition of oximes **Ia–Ig** is regarded as a key stage in the convenient preparation procedure for 6,7-dihydro[1,2,3]-triazolo[1,5-*a*]pyrazin-4(5*H*)-ones **Ila–Ilg** (Scheme 2).

Heterocycles **II** were not described in any publications. However their close analogs [1,2,3]triazolo[1,5-*a*]quinoxalin-4(5*H*)-ones **V** are well known and are found to possess a high biological activity (Scheme 3) [4–6].

Evidently the designing synthesis of heterocycles **II** and **V** is very similar. The main distinction consists in the use in the known synthesis of aromatic nitro compounds as initial substances, and the nitro group is reduced in the reduction stage; in contrast, in the newly advanced scheme nitroalkanes serve as starting reagents, and in key intermediates **III** the oximino fragment suffers reduction.

The simplest way to triazoles **III** involves the reaction of oximes **I** with dimethyl acetylenedicarboxylate **VIII** at room temperature in water containing some acetonitrile (see the table). However here the cycloaddition may be accompanied with a partial hydrolysis

Scheme 2.

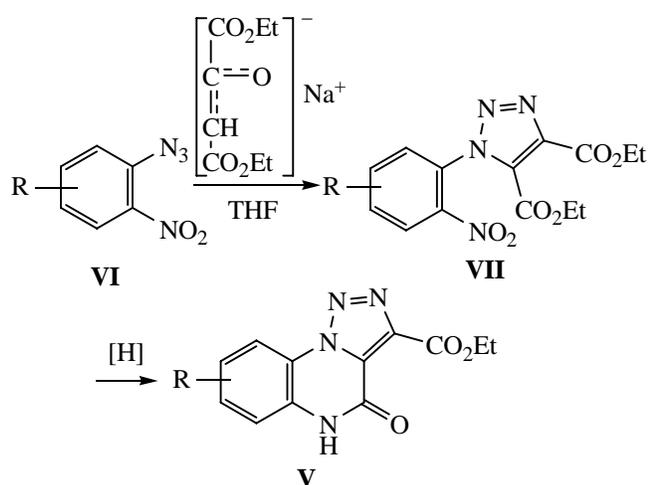


*a* – MeCN/H<sub>2</sub>O, 20°C, 96 h; *b* – toluene, 20°C, 72 h; *c* – H<sub>2</sub> (*p* 80 at), Ni/Ra, 80°C; R = R' = H (**a**); R = H, R' = Me (**b**); R = Me, R' = H (**c**); R = Bn, R' = H (**d**); R = COOMe, R' = Me (**e**); R = CH<sub>2</sub>OH, R' = H (**f**); R = CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>COOMe, R' = H (**g**).

of the oximino group leading to carbonyl derivatives **IV** (see, for instance, preparation of ketone **IVc** in EXPERIMENTAL). This side process can be avoided by carrying out the [3+2]-cycloaddition **I** + **VIII** in toluene.

Oximes **III** are readily reduced on Raney nickel when R is not an ester group. In the latter case we failed to obtain target heterocycles **II**.

Scheme 3.



Compound no.	Yield, %	
	<b>III</b>	<b>II</b> ( <i>c</i> ) <sup>a</sup>
<b>Ia</b>	70 ( <i>b</i> ) <sup>a</sup>	85
<b>Ib</b>	82 ( <i>a</i> ) <sup>a</sup>	58
<b>Ic</b>	80 ( <i>b</i> ) <sup>a</sup>	66
<b>Id</b>	79 ( <i>a</i> ) <sup>a</sup>	86
<b>Ie</b>	78 ( <i>a</i> ) <sup>a</sup>	– <sup>b</sup>
<b>If</b>	87 ( <i>b</i> ) <sup>a</sup>	66
<b>Ig</b>	35 ( <i>a</i> ) <sup>a</sup> , 59 ( <i>b</i> ) <sup>a</sup>	73

<sup>a</sup> The procedure shown in Scheme 2 is indicated in parentheses.

<sup>b</sup> The reaction led to the formation of an intractable mixture of products.

Thus we demonstrated that nitroalkanes are convenient precursors for previously unknown 6,7-dihydro-[1,2,3]triazolo[1,5-*a*]pyrazin-4-(5*H*)-ones.

## EXPERIMENTAL

Catalytic hydrogenation was carried out in a steel pressure reactor (Pike instrument) equipped with a magnetic stirrer. NMR spectra were registered on a spectrometer Bruker AM-300. Chemical shifts were measured from the solvent signals used as internal reference [7]. The configuration of substituted oximes

**III** was derived from the data of  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra applying the rules described before (see, e.g., [8]). Elemental analyses were carried out in the microanalysis laboratory of the Institute of Organic Chemistry and in the analytical center of the Moscow Chemical Lycee. Melting points were measured on a Koeffler heating block and were reported without correction. TLC was performed on plates purchased from Merck (silica gel with QF-254 indicator). Spots were visualized under UV irradiation and/or using ninhydrin solution in ethanol. The preparative liquid chromatography was done on columns packed with silica gel Merck Kieselgel 60A 230–400 mesh.

Initial  $\alpha$ -azidooximes **I** were obtained by published procedures [2].

**General procedure of cycloaddition. a. Compounds IIIb, IIIc, IIIe, and IIIg.** To a solution of 1 mmol of an appropriate  $\alpha$ -azidooxime **I** in a mixture of 8 ml of water and 2 ml of acetonitrile was added 0.280 g (2 mmol) of ester **VIII**. The reaction mixture was stored for 96 h at room temperature with intermittent stirring, then it was poured into a mixture of 40 ml of ethyl acetate and 20 ml of water. The water layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (2 $\times$ 20 ml), the combined organic solvents were washed with water (2 $\times$ 20 ml), with a saturated NaCl solution (20 ml), and dried with  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ . The solvent was distilled off in a vacuum, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (**IIIb** and **IIIg**) (eluent hexane–AcOEt, 5:1 $\rightarrow$ 3:1) or by recrystallization from a mixture hexane–ethyl acetate (**IIIc** and **IIIe**).

**b. Compounds IIIa, IIIc, IIIf, and IIIg.** To a solution of 1 mmol of an appropriate  $\alpha$ -azidooxime **I** in 2.5 ml of toluene was added 0.140 g (1 mmol) of ester **VIII**. The reaction mixture was stored for 72 h at room temperature with intermittent stirring. The solvent was distilled off in a vacuum, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (**IIIa** and **IIIg**) (eluent hexane–AcOEt, 5:1'13:1) or by recrystallization from a mixture hexane–ethyl acetate (**IIIc**).

**Dimethyl 1-[2-(hydroximino)ethyl]-1H-1,2,3-triazole-4,5-dicarboxylate (IIIa).** mp 97–99°C,  $R_f$  0.15 (hexane–ethyl acetate, 1:1), isomers mixture *E* and *Z*, 1:1. *E*-isomer.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 3.87 s, 3.90 s (6H, 2 Me), 5.37 d (2H,  $\text{H}_2\text{C}$ ,  $J$  4.3 Hz), 7.56 t (1H, CH,  $J$  4.3 Hz), 11.34 br.s (1H, NOH).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ), characteristic signals,  $\delta$ , ppm: 49.2 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 52.7 and 53.6 (2 Me), 130.3 and 139.4 (C=C), 143.4 (C=N). *Z*-isomer.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum

(DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 3.87 C, 3.90 C (6H, 2Me), 5.47 d (2H,  $\text{H}_2\text{C}$ ,  $J$  3.7 Hz), 7.00 t (1H, CH,  $J$  3.7 Hz), 11.34 br.s (1H, NOH).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ), characteristic signals,  $\delta$ , ppm: 46.0 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 52.7 and 53.6 (2 Me), 130.3 and 139.4 (C=C), 143.6 (C=N). Unassigned signals of both isomers,  $^{13}\text{C}$ ,  $\delta$ , ppm: 158.1, 158.2, 160.3 and 160.4 (2  $\text{CO}_2\text{Me}$ ). Found, %: C 40.02; H 4.29; N 22.86.  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{10}\text{N}_4\text{O}_5$ . Calculated, %: C 39.67; H 4.16; N 23.13.

**Dimethyl 1-[2-(hydroximino)-1-methylpropyl]-1H-1,2,3-triazole-4,5-dicarboxylate (IIIb).** Oily substance,  $R_f$  0.27 (hexane–ethyl acetate, 1:1), isomers mixture *E* and *Z*, 3.2:1. *E*-isomer.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 1.75 d (3H,  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}$ ,  $J$  6.8 Hz), 3.87 s, 3.92 s (6H, 2 Me), 5.73 m (1H,  $\text{H}_3\text{CCH}$ ), 7.60 d (1H,  $\text{HC=N}$ ,  $J$  3.9 Hz), 11.24 br.s (1H, NOH).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 17.9 ( $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}$ ), 56.1 ( $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}$ ), 52.6 and 53.6 (2Me), 130.5 and 138.8 (C=C), 147.1 (C=N), 158.6 and 160.2 (2 $\text{CO}_2\text{Me}$ ). *Z*-isomer.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 1.70 d (3H,  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}$ ,  $J$  7.0 Hz), 3.87 s, 3.92 C (6H, 2 Me), 6.10 m (1H,  $\text{H}_3\text{CCH}$ ), 7.07 d (1H,  $\text{HC=N}$ ,  $J$  5.4 Hz), 11.62 br.s (1H, NOH).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 18.0 ( $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}$ ), 51.2 ( $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}$ ), 52.6 and 53.6 (2 Me), 130.4 and 138.5 (C=C), 146.9 (C=N), 158.6 and 160.2 (2 $\text{CO}_2\text{Me}$ ). Found, %: C 42.60; H 4.44; N 21.53.  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_4\text{O}_5$ . Calculated, %: C 42.19; H 4.72; N 21.87.

**Dimethyl 1-[2-(hydroximino)propyl]-1H-1,2,3-triazole-4,5-dicarboxylate (IIIc).** mp 98–102°C, isomers mixture *E* and *Z*, 6.2:1. *E*-isomer.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 1.79 s (3H,  $\text{CH}_3\text{C}$ ), 3.88 s, 3.90 s (6H, 2Me), 5.36 s (2H,  $\text{H}_2\text{C}$ ), 11.03 br.s (1H, NOH).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 12.0 ( $\text{CH}_3\text{C}$ ), 52.6 and 53.1 (2Me), 53.5 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 130.7 and 139.1 (C=C), 149.8 (C=N), 158.2 and 160.3 (2 $\text{CO}_2\text{Me}$ ). *Z*-isomer.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 1.58 s (3H,  $\text{H}_3\text{CC}$ ), 3.88 s, 3.90 s (6H, 2Me), 5.48 s (2H,  $\text{H}_2\text{C}$ ), 11.13 br.s (1H, NOH).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 16.7 ( $\text{CH}_3\text{C}$ ), 47.5 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 52.6 and 53.1 (2 Me), 131.2 and 138.9 (C=C), 148.8 (C=N), 158.3 and 160.1 (2 $\text{CO}_2\text{Me}$ ). Found, %: C 42.24; H 4.61; N 21.75.  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_4\text{O}_5$ . Calculated, %: C 42.19; H 4.72; N 21.87.

**Dimethyl 1-[2-(hydroximino)-3-phenylpropyl]-1H-1,2,3-triazole-4,5-dicarboxylate (IIIc).** mp 77–78°C, isomers mixture *E* and *Z*, 5:1. *E*-isomer.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 3.35 s (2H,  $\text{H}_2\text{CPh}$ ), 3.77 s, 3.86 s (6H, 2Me), 5.32 s (2H,  $\text{H}_2\text{CN}$ ), 7.14–7.38 m (5H, Ph), 11.32 br.s (1H, NOH).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 31.8 ( $\text{CH}_2\text{Ph}$ ), 51.7 and 52.6 (2 Me), 53.3 ( $\text{CH}_2\text{N}$ ), 126.5, 128.6 and 128.8 (Ph), 135.5 ( $\text{Ph}^i$ ), 130.7

and 139.2 (C=C), 151.0 (C=N), 157.9 and 160.2 (2  $\underline{\text{CO}}_2\text{Me}$ ). *Z*-isomer.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 3.35 s (2H,  $\text{H}_2\text{CPh}$ ), 3.71 s, 3.82 s (6H, 2Me), 5.47 s (2H,  $\text{H}_2\text{CN}$ ), 7.14–7.38 m (5H, Ph), 11.43 br.s (1H, NOH).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 37.3 ( $\underline{\text{CH}}_2\text{Ph}$ ), 46.0 ( $\underline{\text{CH}}_2\text{N}$ ), 51.7 and 52.6 (2Me), 126.6, 128.3 and 128.4 (Ph), 135.6 ( $\text{Ph}^i$ ), 130.7 and 139.9 (C=C), 150.5 (C=N), 157.9 and 160.1 (2 $\underline{\text{CO}}_2\text{Me}$ ). Found, %: C 54.29; H 4.71; N 16.93.  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_4\text{O}_5$ . Calculated, %: C 54.21; H 4.85; N 16.86.

**Dimethyl 1-[2-(hydroximino)-1-methyl-3-methoxy-3-oxopropyl]-1*H*-1,2,3-triazole-4,5-dicarboxylate (IIIe).** mp 140–145°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 1.90 d (3H,  $\underline{\text{H}}_3\text{CCH}$ ,  $J$  6.8 Hz), 3.68 s (3H,  $\underline{\text{H}}_3\text{CO}_2\text{CC}=\text{N}$ ), 3.85 s, 3.86 s (6H, 2Me), 6.19 q (1H,  $\underline{\text{H}}_3\text{CCH}$ ,  $J$  6.8 Hz), 12.91 br.s (1H, NOH).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 15.6 ( $\underline{\text{CH}}_3\text{CH}$ ), 52.3, 52.5, 52.7 and 53.5 (3  $\underline{\text{CO}}_2\text{Me}$  and  $\underline{\text{CH}}_3\text{CH}$ ), 130.4 and 138.8 (C=C), 147.0 (C=N), 158.4 and 160.2 (2 $\underline{\text{CO}}_2\text{Me}$ ), 162.1 ( $\underline{\text{H}}_3\text{CO}_2\text{CC}=\text{N}$ ). Found, %: C 42.43; H 4.43; N 17.58.  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_4\text{O}_7$ . Calculated, %: C 42.04; H 4.49; N 17.83.

**Dimethyl 1-[3-hydroxy-2-(hydroximino)-propyl]-1*H*-1,2,3-triazole-4,5-dicarboxylate (III*f*).** mp 128–136°C,  $R_f$  0.06 (hexane–ethyl acetate, 1:1), isomers mixture *E* and *Z*, 3.1:1. *E*-isomer.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 3.00 br.s (1H, OH), 3.93 s, 3.97 s (6H, 2Me), 4.05 s (2H,  $\text{H}_2\text{CO}$ ), 5.59 s (2H,  $\text{H}_2\text{CN}$ ), 9.87 br.s (1H, NOH).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 44.9 ( $\text{CH}_2\text{N}$ ), 52.9 and 53.7 (2Me), 61.1 ( $\text{CH}_2\text{O}$ ), 131.3 and 139.3 (C=C), 152.0 (C=N), 158.7 and 160.3 (2 $\underline{\text{CO}}_2\text{Me}$ ). *Z*-isomer.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 3.00 br.s (1H, HO), 3.93 s, 3.97 s (6H, 2Me), 4.50 s (2H,  $\text{H}_2\text{CO}$ ), 5.48 s (2H,  $\text{H}_2\text{CN}$ ), 9.40 br.s (1H, NOH).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 49.9 ( $\text{CH}_2\text{N}$ ), 52.9 and 53.6 (2 Me), 57.0 ( $\text{CH}_2\text{O}$ ), 131.0 and 139.3 (C=C), 155.1 (C=N), 158.7 and 160.3 (2 $\underline{\text{CO}}_2\text{Me}$ ). Found, %: C 39.94; H 4.56; N 20.31.  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_4\text{O}_6$ . Calculated, %: C 39.71; H 4.44; N 20.58.

**Dimethyl 1-[2-(hydroximino)-5-(methyloxy)-5-oxopentyl]-1*H*-1,2,3-triazole-4,5-dicarboxylate (III*g*).** Oily substance,  $R_f$  0.25 (hexane–ethyl acetate, 1:1), isomers mixture *E* and *Z*, 2.6:1. *E*-isomer.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 2.47–2.64 m (4H,  $\underline{\text{H}}_2\text{CCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{Me}$  and  $\underline{\text{H}}_2\text{CCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{Me}$ ), 3.63 s, 3.89 s (9H, 3Me), 5.47 s (2H,  $\text{H}_2\text{CN}$ ), 11.17 br.s (1H, HON).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ), characteristic signals,  $\delta$ , ppm: 21.9 ( $\underline{\text{CH}}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{Me}$ ), 28.9 ( $\underline{\text{CH}}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{Me}$ ), 52.1 ( $\text{CH}_2\text{N}$ ), 130.8 and 139.2 (C=C), 151.8 (C=N), 158.2 and 160.3 (2 $\underline{\text{CO}}_2\text{Me}$ ), 172.6 ( $\underline{\text{CH}}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{Me}$ ). *Z*-isomer.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 2.47–2.64 m (4H,  $\underline{\text{H}}_2\text{CCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{Me}$  and  $\underline{\text{H}}_2\text{CCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{Me}$ ), 3.56 s, 3.93 s (9H, 3Me), 5.73 s (2H,  $\text{H}_2\text{CN}$ ), 11.34 br.s (1H, HON).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ), characteristic signals,  $\delta$ , ppm: 26.1 ( $\underline{\text{CH}}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{Me}$ ), 29.1 ( $\underline{\text{CH}}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{Me}$ ), 46.8 ( $\text{CH}_2\text{N}$ ), 131.2 and 138.8 (C=C), 150.0 (C=N), 158.3 and 160.1 (2 $\underline{\text{CO}}_2\text{Me}$ ), 172.4 ( $\underline{\text{CH}}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{Me}$ ). Unassigned signals of both isomer,  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum,  $\delta$ , ppm: 51.3, 51.5, 52.1, 52.6, 53.4, 53.6 and 54.8 [3Me and  $\text{CH}_2\text{N}$  (*E*-isomer)]. Found, %: C 44.25; H 5.07; N 16.63.  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_4\text{O}_7$ . Calculated, %: C 43.90; H 4.91; N 17.07.

**Dimethyl 1-(2-oxopropyl)-1*H*-1,2,3-triazole-4,5-dicarboxylate (IV*c*)** was isolated as a side product from the reaction mixture obtained from oxime **Ic** and ester **VIII** by procedure *a* in a mixture with heterocycle **IIIc**.  $R_f$  0.14 (hexane–ethyl acetate, 1:1). Identified by NMR data.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 2.29 s (3H,  $\text{H}_3\text{C}$ ), 3.86 s, 3.89 s (6H, 2Me), 5.73 s (2H,  $\text{H}_2\text{C}$ ).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 27.0 ( $\text{CH}_3$ ), 52.6 and 53.3 (2Me), 59.0 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 130.0 and 139.4 (C=C), 157.9 and 160.3 (2 $\underline{\text{CO}}_2\text{Me}$ ), 199.8 (C=O).

**c. Hydrogenation of oximes III.** To a solution of 1 mmol of an appropriate oxime **III** in 2.5 ml of methanol was added ~0.05 of Raney nickel in methanol. The mixture was hydrogenated for 2 h at 70–80°C and hydrogen pressure 80 at, then the catalyst was filtered off, and the solvent was distilled off in a vacuum. The reaction product was recrystallized from a mixture ethyl acetate–methanol.

**Methyl 4-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro[1,2,3]triazolo[1,5-*a*]pyrazine-3-carboxylate (II*a*).** mp 220–228°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 3.70 m (2H,  $\underline{\text{H}}_2\text{CNH}$ ), 3.86 s (3H, Me), 4.66 t (2H,  $\text{H}_2\text{CN}$ ,  $J$  5.8 Hz), 8.64 br.s (1H, HN).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 38.7 and 45.5 ( $\underline{\text{CH}}_2\text{NH}$  and  $\text{CH}_2\text{N}$ ), 52.3 (Me), 129.5 and 138.1 (C=C), 155.4 (CONH), 160.6 ( $\underline{\text{CO}}_2\text{Me}$ ). Found, %: C 43.06; H 4.09; N 27.87.  $\text{C}_7\text{H}_8\text{N}_4\text{O}_3$ . Calculated, %: C 42.86; H 4.11; N 28.56.

**Methyl 7-methyl-4-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro[1,2,3]-triazolo[1,5-*a*]pyrazine-3-carboxylate (II*b*).** mp 195–198°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 1.60 d (3H,  $\underline{\text{H}}_3\text{CCH}$ ,  $J$  6.3 Hz), 3.44 d.d (1H,  $\underline{\text{H}}\text{CNH}$ ,  $J$  8.7, 13.5 Hz), 3.68 m (1H,  $\underline{\text{H}}\text{CNH}$ ), 3.85 s (3H, Me), 4.90 m (1H,  $\underline{\text{H}}_3\text{CCH}$ ,  $J$  6.3 Hz), 8.62 br.s (1H, HN).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 16.0 ( $\underline{\text{CH}}_3\text{CH}$ ), 44.6 ( $\text{CH}_2\text{NH}$ ), 52.3 and 52.7 ( $\underline{\text{CH}}_3\text{CH}$  and Me), 129.0 and 138.5 (C=C), 155.3 (CONH), 160.7 ( $\underline{\text{CO}}_2\text{Me}$ ). Found, %: C 45.88; H 4.58; N 26.78.  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{10}\text{N}_4\text{O}_3$ . Calculated, %: C 45.71; H 4.80; N 26.66.

**Methyl 6-methyl-4-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro[1,2,3]-triazolo[1,5-*a*]pyrazine-3-carboxylate (IIc).** mp 228–232°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>), δ, ppm: 1.23 d (3H, H<sub>3</sub>CCH, *J* 6.1 Hz), 3.85 s (3H, Me), 4.05 m (1H, H<sub>3</sub>CCH), 4.32 d.d (1H, HC–N, *J* 9.8, 12.8 Hz), 4.80 d.d (1H, HC–N, *J* 3.7, 12.8 Hz), 8.72 br.s (1H, HN). <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>), δ, ppm: 17.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>CH), 46.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>CH), 50.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>N), 52.4 (Me), 129.1 and 138.0 (C=C), 155.1 (CONH), 160.6 (CO<sub>2</sub>Me). Found, %: C 45.60; H 4.55; N 26.43. C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>. Calculated, %: C 45.71; H 4.80; N 26.66.

**Methyl 6-benzyl-4-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro[1,2,3]-triazolo[1,5-*a*]pyrazine-3-carboxylate (III d).** mp 184–188°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>), δ, ppm: 2.76 d.d (1H, CHPh, *J* 7.3, 14.0 Hz), 2.93 d.d (1H, CHPh, *J* 5.2, 14.0 Hz), 3.82 s (3H, Me), 4.20 m (1H, HCNH), 4.52 m (2H, H<sub>2</sub>CN), 7.14–7.41 m (5H, Ph), 8.79 br.s (1H, HN). <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>), δ, ppm: 38.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 48.5 and 50.6 (CHNH and CH<sub>2</sub>N), 52.3 (Me), 129.1 and 137.9 (C=C), 126.8, 128.5 and 129.3 (Ph<sup>*o,m,p*</sup>), 136.1 (Ph<sup>*i*</sup>), 155.4 (CONH), 160.5 (CO<sub>2</sub>Me). Found, %: C 58.68; H 4.90; N 19.29. C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>14</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>. Calculated, %: C 58.73; H 4.93; N 19.57.

**Methyl 6-(hydroxymethyl)-4-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro[1,2,3]triazolo[1,5-*a*]pyrazine-3-carboxylate (III f).** mp 189–191°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>), δ, ppm: 3.29–3.43 m (2H, HO and HC–N), 3.53 m (1H, HC–N), 3.85 s (3H, Me), 4.70 m (2H, H<sub>2</sub>CO), 5.15 m (1H, HCNH), 8.64 br.s (1H, HN). <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>), δ, ppm: 46.4 and 52.3 (HCNH and H<sub>2</sub>CN), 51.2 (Me), 61.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>O), 129.2 and 137.8 (C=C), 155.0 (CONH), 160.6 (CO<sub>2</sub>Me). Found, %: C 42.27; H 4.52; N 24.50. C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>4</sub>. Calculated, %: C 42.48; H 4.46; N 24.78.

**Methyl 6-(3-methoxy-3-oxopropyl)-4-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro[1,2,3]triazolo[1,5-*a*]pyrazin-3-carboxylate**

**(III g).** mp 160–164°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>), δ, ppm: 1.81 d.d (2H, H<sub>2</sub>CCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Me, *J* 7.3, 14.4 Hz), 2.48 m (2H, H<sub>2</sub>CCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Me), 3.60 s, 3.86 s (6H, 2Me), 3.95 m (1H, HCNH), 4.49 d.d (1H, HC–N, *J* 7.6, 13.5 Hz), 4.81 d.d (1H, HC–N, *J* 4.2, 13.5 Hz), 8.79 br.s (1H, HN). <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>), δ, ppm: 27.0 and 29.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Me and CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Me), 49.1 and 49.3 (CHNH and CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Me), 51.5 and 52.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>N and CO<sub>2</sub>Me), 129.0 and 137.9 (C=C), 154.9 (CONH), 160.5 (2 CO<sub>2</sub>Me). Found, %: C 46.53; H 4.96; N 19.81. C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>14</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>5</sub>. Calculated, %: C 46.81; H 5.00; N 19.85.

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