

recovery) as a clear, colorless oil.

**5-(4-Chlorophenyl)-3-(4-pentynylsulfonyl)-1,2,4-triazine (22d).** To a stirred solution of 5-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(4-pentynylthio)-1,2,4-triazine (0.69 g, 2.38 mmol) in anhydrous methylene chloride (20 mL) at 0 °C was added, all at once, *m*-chloroperbenzoic acid (80–85% technical solid, 1.03 g, 5.07 mmol maximum, 2.13 equiv maximum). The resultant mixture was stirred at room temperature with exclusion of moisture for 5 h, concentrated by evaporation under reduced pressure, and the residual solid stirred in anhydrous ether (15 mL). The undissolved solid was collected by filtration to yield 5-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(4-pentynylsulfonyl)-1,2,4-triazine (0.59 g, 1.83 mmol, 77%) as a white powder, mp 116.0–118.0 °C; IR (KBr) 3290, 2120, 1595, 1530, 1475, 1320, 1130 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 9.85 (s, 1 H), 8.34–8.19 (m, 2 H), 7.63–7.53 (m, 2 H), 3.94–3.77 (m, 2 H), 2.55–2.01 (m, 5 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 168.0, 156.4, 147.4, 141.0, 130.1, 129.9, 129.6, 81.7, 70.2, 51.0, 21.5, 17.5; LRMS, *m/z* (relative intensity) 295 (30), 294 (13% of M<sup>+</sup>), 293 (M<sup>+</sup>, 71), 244 (10), 230 (41), 228 (100), 166 (22).

Anal. Calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S: C, 52.26; H, 3.76; Cl, 11.02; N, 13.06; S, 9.96. Found: C, 52.09; H, 3.98; Cl, 11.09; N, 12.89; S, 10.06.

**7-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1,1-dioxo-3,4-dihydro-2H-thiopyrano[2,3-*b*]pyridine (23d).** A solution of 5-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(4-pentynylsulfonyl)-1,2,4-triazine (0.42 g, 1.31 mmol) in bromobenzene (5 mL) was heated at reflux under nitrogen for 14 h. Anhydrous ether (25 mL) was added to the reaction mixture, and the undissolved solid was collected by filtration to give 5-(4-chlorophenyl)-1,2,4-triazin-3-one (0.18 g, 0.87 mmol, 66%) as a gray solid which decomposed over 230 °C: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (Me<sub>2</sub>SO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 8.73 (s, 1 H), 8.24 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 3.62 (br s, 1 H).<sup>14</sup> The above filtrate was passed through a

silica gel filter (~30 g), which was then washed first with ether (100 mL) and then with ethyl acetate (150 mL). The ethyl acetate filtrate was evaporated under reduced pressure to yield 7-(4-chlorophenyl)-1,1-dioxo-3,4-dihydro-2H-thiopyrano[2,3-*b*]pyridine (0.08 g, 0.27 mmol, 21%) as a pale yellow solid: mp 191.0–194.0 °C; IR (KBr) 1590, 1535, 1490, 1455, 1425, 1310–1290, 1090 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.02 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 7.80 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1 H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 3.56–3.43 (m, 2 H), 3.05 (t, *J* = 5.7 Hz, 2 H), 2.65–2.36 (m, 2 H); LRMS, *m/z* (relative intensity) 294 (13% of M<sup>+</sup>), 293 (M<sup>+</sup>, 71), 230 (41), 228 (100), 166 (22); HRMS calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S 293.0267, found 293.0267 ± 0.0050.

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## Intramolecular Diels–Alder Reactions of 1,2,4-Triazines. Synthesis of Condensed Pyrimidines

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1,2,4-Triazines with C5 tethered dienophilic side chains are sterically constrained to undergo intramolecular Diels–Alder reactions across the N2/C5 triazine positions; elimination of a nitrile from the intermediate adduct (N1 and C6 of the starting 1,2,4-triazine) leads to condensed pyrimidines. The reactivity of 5-(alkynyl-substituted)-1,2,4-triazines in the intramolecular Diels–Alder process is highly dependent on the steric and electronic disposition of the dienophilic side chain; cycloaddition is hindered when an electron-donating atom (O, N) is used to link the dienophilic side chain to the triazine nucleus, while the introduction of bulky groups into the side chain facilitates the process via the Thorpe–Ingold effect.

### Introduction

Diels–Alder reactions of 1,2,4-triazines have been the subject of extensive investigations of scope and applications.<sup>1</sup> As electron-deficient heterocyclic azadienes, 1,2,4-triazines generally participate in inverse electron demand [4 + 2] cycloadditions with electron-rich dienophiles across C3/C6 of the 1,2,4-triazine nucleus with subsequent extrusion of molecular nitrogen. Such reactions have provided access to a host of novel pyridine systems.<sup>2</sup> Conversely, 1,2,4-triazines with simple dienophilic side chains tethered to C3 or C6 of the 1,2,4-triazine nucleus have been shown by our group<sup>3a–d</sup> and others<sup>4</sup> to

afford fused pyridine species, often under extremely mild conditions. The “entropic assistance” inherent in the latter reaction eliminates the need for an electron-rich dienophile.

The mode of cycloaddition in these reactions involves addition across C3 and C6 of the 1,2,4-triazine nucleus; the

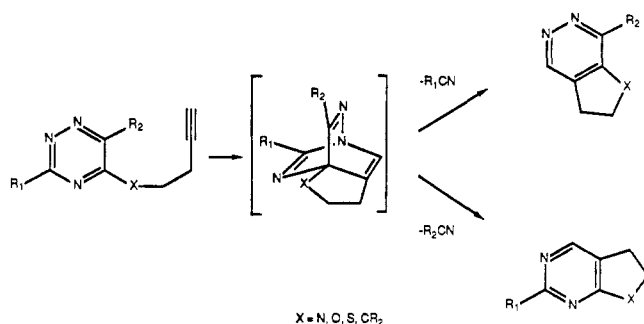
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Scheme I



sole exception to this observation results from the use of ynamine dienophiles, which predominantly yields products arising from an N2/C5 cycloaddition.<sup>5</sup> However, it has been postulated that this is a stepwise process involving discrete zwitterionic intermediates.<sup>1</sup>

One should note that while the regioselectivity of cycloaddition in most *intermolecular* reactions of 1,2,4-triazines is under strict electronic control, the analogous *intramolecular* reactions are sterically constrained. We have applied this simple concept to intramolecular Diels–Alder reactions of 1,2,4-triazines with dienophilic side chains tethered to C5 of the 1,2,4-triazine nucleus, where cycloaddition must occur across the N2/C5 positions. Although the resulting cycloadduct could in principle lead either to condensed pyridazines (by elimination of R<sub>1</sub>CN) or to condensed pyrimidines (by loss of R<sub>2</sub>CN), the latter pathway in fact should be exclusively followed as a consequence of the fragility of the bridgehead N–N bond (see Scheme I).

### Results and Discussion

The requisite 5-(alkynyl-substituted)-1,2,4-triazines (X = O, S, N, CR<sub>2</sub>) were formed from the 1,2,4-triazin-5-ones **1a–e**, which are readily accessible by condensation of amidrazones<sup>6</sup> or S-alkylated isothiosemicarbazides<sup>7</sup> with  $\alpha$ -keto acids or esters. Refluxing a solution of **1a–d** in POCl<sub>3</sub> or SOCl<sub>2</sub> yielded the 5-chloro-1,2,4-triazines **2a–d**, which when added in THF solution to a slurry of the sodium salt of 3-butyn-1-ol in THF provided the 5-(3-butynyloxy)-1,2,4-triazines **3a–d** in good yields<sup>12</sup> (Scheme II).

Refluxing **3a–d** at 232–236 °C in 1,3,5-triisopropylbenzene (TIPB) for 2–3 days led to formation of the dihydrofuro[2,3-*d*]pyrimidines **4a–b** in low yields (Table I). Consistent byproducts were the starting 1,2,4-triazin-5-ones **1a–d**, which presumably arose either by an ene reaction or by a thermally induced retrograde Michael reaction. These initial results, although disappointing, were not unexpected; lone pair repulsion (substituent oxygen, triazine N4) should strongly disfavor the initial reversible cycloaddition reaction, even though the initial cycloadduct would be expected to eliminate R<sub>2</sub>CN with some ease (vide supra).

Table I. Synthesis of Condensed Pyrimidines from 1,2,4-Triazines (See Scheme II)

1,2,4-triazines		condensed pyrimidines		% yield
R <sub>1</sub>	R <sub>2</sub>	R <sub>1</sub>		
<b>1a</b>	<i>p</i> -CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>		
<b>b</b>	<i>p</i> -CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub>		
<b>c</b>	CH <sub>3</sub> S	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>		
<b>d</b>	CH <sub>3</sub> S	CH <sub>3</sub>		
<b>e</b>	CH <sub>3</sub> S	CO <sub>2</sub> Et		
<b>2,3a</b>	<i>p</i> -CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	<b>4a</b>	<i>p</i> -CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> 10
<b>b</b>	<i>p</i> -CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub>	<b>b</b>	CH <sub>3</sub> S trace–10
<b>c</b>	CH <sub>3</sub> S	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>		
<b>d</b>	CH <sub>3</sub> S	CH <sub>3</sub>		
<b>5</b>	CH <sub>3</sub> S	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	<b>6</b>	CH <sub>3</sub> S 38
<b>7,8a</b>	<i>p</i> -CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	<b>9a</b>	<i>p</i> -CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> 18
<b>b</b>	<i>p</i> -CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub>	<b>b</b>	CH <sub>3</sub> S 33–59
<b>c</b>	CH <sub>3</sub> S	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>		
<b>d</b>	CH <sub>3</sub> S	CH <sub>3</sub>		
<b>e</b>	CH <sub>3</sub> S	CO <sub>2</sub> Et		
<b>10a</b>	<i>p</i> -CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	<b>11a</b>	<i>p</i> -CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> 15
<b>b</b>	CH <sub>3</sub> S	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	<b>b</b>	CH <sub>3</sub> S 16
<b>12</b>	<i>p</i> -CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	<b>13</b>	<i>p</i> -CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> 82

The Diels–Alder reactivity of the 5-(3-butynyloxy)-1,2,4-triazine system was substantially increased by addition of an ethyl substituent  $\alpha$  to oxygen in the dienophilic side chain. [(1-Ethyl-3-butynyl)oxy]-3-(methylthio)-6-phenyl-1,2,4-triazine (**5**) was prepared from **2c** and the sodium salt of 5-hexyn-3-ol (60% yield) as described previously for the analogous species **3a–d**. Heating **5** at 225 °C in TIPB for 2 days yielded 2-ethyl-6-(methylthio)-2,3-dihydrofuro[2,3-*d*]pyrimidine (**6**) in 38% yield. The yield increase of this reaction relative to the earlier examples discussed above presumably is a consequence of “entropic assistance” provided by the ethyl substituent, which facilitates orientation of the (1-ethyl-3-butynyl)oxy side chain into a preferred conformation for cycloaddition (Thorpe–Ingold effect).

We then examined an analogous series of 1,2,4-triazine derivatives where the dienophilic side chains were tethered to the C5 position through sulfur rather than oxygen, since our previous work with both 3- and 6-substituted 1,2,4-triazines has shown that tethering the dienophilic side chain through sulfur rather than oxygen greatly facilitates cycloaddition. Treatment of the 1,2,4-triazin-5-ones **1a–e** with phosphorus pentasulfide in refluxing pyridine afforded the corresponding 5-thiones **7a–e**,<sup>13</sup> which were then smoothly alkylated with 4-iodo-1-butyne<sup>17</sup> in the presence of triethylamine to give the 5-(3-butynylthio)-1,2,4-triazines **8a–e**. Heating **8a–e** at 232–236 °C in TIPB yielded the dihydrothieno[2,3-*d*]pyrimidines **9a–b** in reasonable yields.

The above observations on oxygen- and sulfur-tethered dienophilic systems did not make us overly optimistic about extending these reactions to nitrogen-linked systems; our skepticism was unfortunately justified. Treatment of the 5-chloro-1,2,4-triazines **2a,c** with 4-amino-1-butyne<sup>3c</sup> afforded the 5-(3-butynylamino)-1,2,4-triazines **10a,b** in good yields. Heating **10a,b** for 3–4 days at 232–236 °C in TIPB resulted in complete consumption of starting material but did not yield the desired dihydropyrrolo[2,3-*d*]pyrimidines; the only products isolated were the corresponding 5-amino-1,2,4-triazines **11a,b**.

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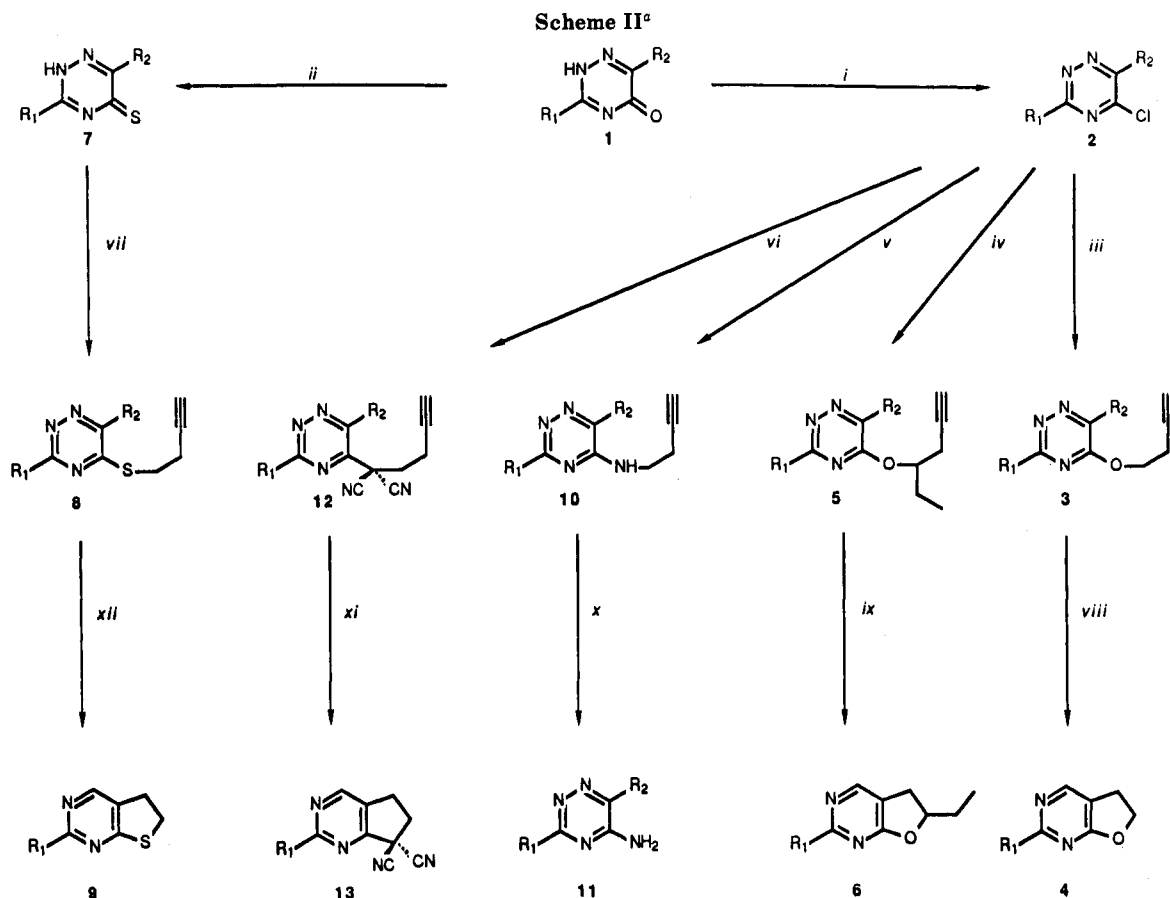
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The observed trends in yields and relative reaction rates in the three systems examined above ( $X = \text{O}, \text{S}, \text{N}$ , Scheme I) can be summarized as  $\text{S} > \text{O} > \text{N}$ , where an increase in the electron-donating ability of  $X$  has a clearly deleterious effect on the desired Diels–Alder reaction. Confirmation of this generalization was found in the carbon-tethered system 12, which was prepared as follows: 1,1-Dicyano-4-pentyne<sup>18</sup> was treated with sodium hydride in THF to generate the corresponding carbanion, which when treated with a THF solution of the 5-chloro-1,2,4-triazine 2a yielded 5-(1,1-dicyano-4-pentynyl)-6-phenyl-3-*p*-tolyl-1,2,4-triazine<sup>19</sup> (12) in 72% yield. This compound underwent intramolecular cycloaddition with extrusion of benzonitrile under relatively mild conditions (156 °C in refluxing bromobenzene, 7.5 h) to afford 1,1-dicyano-6-*p*-tolylcyclopenteno[*d*]pyrimidine (13) in 82% yield. In addition to the lack of debilitating electronic effects, this cycloaddition reaction is greatly facilitated by the *gem*-dicyano-substituted side chain, an effect which we have previously noted in the isomeric 3-substituted series.<sup>3d</sup>

It is clear that with judicious selection of dienophilic side chains at position 5, intramolecular Diels–Alder reactions of 1,2,4-triazines can provide access to an array of fused pyrimidines. Our continuing efforts in the field of intramolecular Diels–Alder reactions of 1,2,4-triazines are being directed toward the preparation of biologically significant synthetic targets.

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## Experimental Section

**General.** Melting points were determined in open capillary tubes by using a Thomas-Hoover apparatus and are uncorrected. IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer 1320 instrument and are reported in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .  $^1\text{H}$  NMR data were obtained with a General Electric QE300 300-MHz instrument, and chemical shifts are reported in ppm downfield from  $\text{Me}_4\text{Si}$ . Mass spectral data were obtained by Dr. Dorothy Little on AEI MS-902 and Kratos MS50TC spectrometers. Elemental analyses were performed by Eli Lilly and Co., Indianapolis, IN. Column chromatography was performed on Merck silica gel 60 (240–400 mesh). TLC analyses were carried out on Bakerflex IB2-F plates by utilizing UV and  $\text{I}_2$  visualization. Preparative TLC was carried out on Analtech silica gel GF uniplates (1500  $\mu\text{m}$ ).

**Materials.** Commercial reagents were utilized without further purification. Anhydrous solvents were distilled before use: tetrahydrofuran from benzophenone ketyl and methylene chloride from calcium hydride.

**6-Phenyl-3-*p*-tolyl-1,2,4-triazin-5-one (1a).** A stirred solution of *p*-methylbenzamidrazone<sup>6</sup> (7.00 g, 47.0 mmol) in anhydrous DMF (75 mL) at 0 °C was treated with benzoylformic acid (7.56 g, 48.9 mmol), allowed with stirring to warm to room temperature (0.5 h), and then heated under reflux for 3 h. Upon cooling, the reaction mixture was poured into ice-water, and the precipitated 6-phenyl-3-*p*-tolyl-1,2,4-triazin-5-one (1a) was collected by vacuum filtration to give 10.79 g (87%) of a white solid. It was obtained as white plates, mp 294–295 °C, upon recrystallization from ethanol/dimethylformamide (lit.<sup>8</sup> mp 299–301 °C): IR (KBr) 3200, 3050, 2800, 1580, 1520, 1450, 1365, 1325, 1240, 1170, 1115, 1005, 805  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{Me}_2\text{SO}-d_6$ )  $\delta$  8.16–8.12 (m, 2 H), 8.03 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 2 H), 7.50–7.48 (m, 3 H), 7.4 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2 H), 2.41 (s, 3 H).

**6-Methyl-3-*p*-tolyl-1,2,4-triazin-5-one (1b)** was prepared in analogous fashion with the substitution of pyruvic acid for benzoylformic acid (63% yield). It was recrystallized from ethyl acetate/ethanol: mp 251.5–252 °C; IR (KBr) 3160, 3040, 2960,

2910, 2880, 1600, 1575, 1505, 1470, 1370, 1315, 1210, 1090, 955, 830, 780, 735  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{Me}_2\text{SO}-d_6$ )  $\delta$  7.93 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 2 H), 7.38 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2 H), 2.38 (s, 3 H); HRMS calcd for  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{11}\text{N}_3\text{O}$  201.0902, found 201.0900.

Anal. Calcd for  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{11}\text{N}_3\text{O}$ : C, 65.66; H, 5.51; N, 20.88. Found: C, 65.54; H, 5.55; N, 20.59.

**3-(Methylthio)-6-phenyl-1,2,4-triazin-5-one (1c).** A stirred suspension of *S*-methylisothiosemicarbazide hydrogen iodide (10.00 g, 42.9 mmol) in absolute ethanol (100 mL) was heated at reflux until a homogeneous solution was obtained. After this time, sodium bicarbonate (3.64 g, 43.3 mmol) followed by benzoylformic acid (6.38 g, 42.5 mmol) was added to the mixture, which was subsequently heated at reflux for 3 h. Upon cooling, the precipitated 3-(methylthio)-6-phenyl-1,2,4-triazin-5-one (1c) was collected by vacuum filtration to give 7.96 g (85%) of white plates: mp 236–238 °C (lit.<sup>9</sup> mp 239–240 °C); IR (KBr) 3170, 3050, 2800, 1610, 1550, 1485, 1435, 1345, 1280, 1150, 1010, 800, 750  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{Me}_2\text{SO}-d_6$ )  $\delta$  8.02–7.98 (m, 2 H), 7.45–7.43 (m, 3 H), 2.52 (s, 3 H).

**6-Methyl-3-(methylthio)-1,2,4-triazin-5-one (1d)** was prepared in analogous fashion with the substitution of pyruvic acid for benzoylformic acid (51% yield): mp 198–199 °C (lit.<sup>10</sup> mp 224–225 °C); IR (KBr) 3170, 2980, 2910, 1575, 1515, 1450, 1420, 1370, 1355, 1260, 1010, 980, 775  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{Me}_2\text{SO}-d_6$ )  $\delta$  2.45 (s, 3 H), 2.08 (s, 3 H).

**6-Carbethoxy-3-(methylthio)-1,2,4-triazin-5-one (1e)** was prepared by the method of Taylor and Martin<sup>6</sup> and was identical in every respect with the same compound prepared by the method of Pessom and co-workers.<sup>11</sup>

**General Procedures for the Preparation of 5-Chloro-1,2,4-triazines<sup>12</sup> 2a–d. Method A.** A stirred suspension of the 1,2,4-triazin-5-one in a large excess of phosphorus oxychloride was heated to reflux under nitrogen to give a homogeneous solution. After 2 h, the reaction mixture was evaporated under reduced pressure and was subsequently washed with two portions of toluene. The resultant yellow residue was taken up in methylene chloride and washed twice with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate. The organic layer was dried (anhydrous  $\text{MgSO}_4$ ) and evaporated under reduced pressure to afford the crude 5-chloro-1,2,4-triazines 2a–d, which were used immediately as needed.

**Method B.** A stirred suspension of the 1,2,4-triazin-5-one in a large excess of thionyl chloride was heated to reflux under nitrogen to give a homogeneous solution. After 2 h, thionyl chloride was distilled from the reaction mixture at aspirator pressure, and the resultant residue was washed with two portions of benzene to afford the crude 5-chloro-1,2,4-triazines 2a–d which were used immediately as needed.

**5-(3-Butynyloxy)-6-phenyl-3-*p*-tolyl-1,2,4-triazine (3a).** To a stirred suspension of sodium hydride (0.42 g, 10.5 mmol, 60% oil dispersion) in anhydrous tetrahydrofuran (25 mL) at 0 °C under nitrogen was added 3-butyn-1-ol (0.76 g, 10.8 mmol) at once. When the initial effervescence had subsided, cooling was removed, and a solution of a slight molar excess of freshly prepared 2a<sup>12</sup> in 1:1 methylene chloride/tetrahydrofuran (50 mL) was added rapidly to the reaction mixture. The resultant mixture was stirred under nitrogen for 6 h. After this time, the reaction mixture was evaporated under reduced pressure, and the residual oil was taken up in methylene chloride (150 mL) and washed respectively with water (100 mL, 75 mL) and brine (75 mL). The organic layer was dried (anhydrous  $\text{MgSO}_4$ ) and evaporated under reduced pressure to afford a yellow oil. Trituration of this oil in 1:2 ether/petroleum ether caused 5-(3-butynyloxy)-6-phenyl-3-*p*-tolyl-1,2,4-triazine (3a) to crystallize out as 2.15 g (71%) of a pale yellow solid: mp 104–105 °C; IR (KBr) 3280, 3050, 2980, 2940, 2900, 1600, 1570, 1530, 1505, 1440, 1390, 1350  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.43 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2 H), 8.23–8.20 (m, 2 H), 7.51–7.49 (m, 3 H), 7.34 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2 H), 4.76 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 2 H), 2.83 (dt,  $J_1 = 6.6$  Hz,  $J_2 = 2.9$  Hz, 2 H), 2.45 (s, 3 H), 2.10 (t,  $J = 2.7$  Hz, 1 H).

Anal. Calcd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_3\text{O}$ : C, 76.17; H, 5.43; N, 13.32. Found: C, 76.43; H, 5.47; N, 13.23.

**5-(3-Butynyloxy)-6-methyl-3-*p*-tolyl-1,2,4-triazine (3b):** from 0.19 g (4.7 mmol, 60% oil dispersion) of sodium hydride, 0.35 g (4.9 mmol) of 3-butyn-1-ol, and a slight molar excess of 2b<sup>12</sup> as described above; yield 1.00 g (92%) of 3b as a pale yellow solid, mp 90–91 °C; IR (KBr) 3220, 2960, 2920, 1620, 1550, 1520, 1425,

1390, 1350, 1215, 1170, 1140, 1055, 1000, 985, 830, 780  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.37 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 2 H), 7.33 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2 H), 4.68 (t,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 2 H), 2.81 (dt,  $J_1 = 6.7$  Hz,  $J_2 = 2.6$  Hz, 2 H), 2.64 (s, 3 H), 2.45 (s, 3 H), 2.08 (t,  $J = 2.7$  Hz, 1 H).

Anal. Calcd for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_3\text{O}$ : C, 71.13; H, 5.97; N, 16.59. Found: C, 70.93; H, 5.79; N, 16.34.

**5-(3-Butynyloxy)-3-(methylthio)-6-phenyl-1,2,4-triazine (3c):** from 0.42 g (10.5 mmol, 60% oil dispersion) of sodium hydride, 0.75 g (10.7 mmol) of 3-butyn-1-ol, and a slight molar excess of 2c<sup>12</sup> as described above; yield 1.14 g (41%) of 3c as a pale beige solid, mp 85–86 °C; IR (KBr) 3240, 2970, 2920, 1620, 1570, 1520, 1500, 1435, 1410, 1340, 1310, 1280, 1230, 1175, 1100, 1065, 1010, 980, 930, 800, 750, 665  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.11–8.08 (m, 2 H), 7.48–7.46 (m, 3 H), 4.61 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 2 H), 2.75 (dt,  $J_1 = 6.6$  Hz,  $J_2 = 2.6$  Hz, 2 H), 2.70 (s, 3 H), 2.08 (t,  $J = 2.7$  Hz, 1 H).

Anal. Calcd for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{13}\text{N}_3\text{OS}$ : C, 61.97; H, 4.83; N, 15.49; S, 11.81. Found: C, 61.83; H, 4.87; N, 15.39; S, 12.04.

**5-(3-Butynyloxy)-6-methyl-3-(methylthio)-1,2,4-triazine (3d):** From 0.53 g (13.1 mmol, 60% oil dispersion) of sodium hydride, a slight molar excess of 2d,<sup>12</sup> and 0.93 g (13.3 mmol) of 3-butyn-1-ol as described above; yield 1.04 g (39%); mp 76–77 °C; IR (KBr) 3220, 3000, 2960, 2920, 1545, 1510, 1460, 1420, 1380, 1350, 1335, 1320, 1295, 1260, 1220, 1165, 1065, 1045, 1010, 970, 935, 770, 695  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  4.53 (t,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 2 H), 2.73 (dt,  $J_1 = 6.7$  Hz,  $J_2 = 2.8$  Hz, 2 H), 2.64 (s, 3 H), 2.53 (s, 3 H), 2.05 (t,  $J = 2.7$  Hz, 1 H).

Anal. Calcd for  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{11}\text{N}_3\text{OS}$ : C, 51.66; H, 5.30; N, 20.08; S, 15.32. Found: C, 51.91; H, 5.27; N, 20.28; S, 15.47.

**6-*p*-Tolyl-2,3-dihydrofuro[2,3-*d*]pyrimidine (4a).** A stirred suspension of 3a (0.31 g, 0.98 mmol) in TIPB (6 mL) was heated at reflux (232–236 °C) under nitrogen for 3 days. After this time, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and filtered through a silica gel pad which was then eluted with hexanes (200 mL) followed by 1% methanol/methylene chloride (2  $\times$  250 mL). The second methylene chloride fraction was evaporated under reduced pressure, and the residual oil was purified by preparative TLC (1:1 hexanes/ethyl acetate) to afford 6-*p*-tolyl-2,3-dihydrofuro[2,3-*d*]pyrimidine (4a) as 0.02 g (10%) of a tan solid; mp 159–160 °C;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.42 (s, 1 H), 8.29 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 2 H), 7.26 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 2 H), 4.71 (t,  $J = 8.6$  Hz, 2 H), 3.30 (t,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 2 H), 2.40 (s, 3 H); HRMS calcd for  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_2\text{O}$  212.0950, found 212.0947.

**6-(Methylthio)-2,3-dihydrofuro[2,3-*d*]pyrimidine (4b). Method A.** A stirred suspension of 3c (0.27 g, 1.00 mmol) in TIPB (7 mL) was heated to reflux (232–236 °C) under nitrogen for 3 days and then worked up as described above for 4a: yield, 0.02 g (12%) of a yellow solid; mp 63–64 °C;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.20 (s, 1 H), 4.71 (t,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2 H), 3.25 (t,  $J = 8.6$  Hz, 2 H), 2.56 (s, 3 H); HRMS calcd for  $\text{C}_7\text{H}_8\text{N}_2\text{OS}$  168.0357, found 168.0354.

**Method B.** A stirred suspension of 3d (0.22 g, 1.05 mmol) in TIPB (5 mL) was heated to reflux (232–236 °C) under nitrogen for 2.5 days and then worked up as described above for 4a to provide 4b in trace yield (as determined by 300-MHz  $^1\text{H NMR}$ ). The spectral and physical properties of this material were identical with the spectral and physical properties of the compound prepared as described above in method A.

**[(1-Ethyl-3-butynyl)oxy]-3-(methylthio)-6-phenyl-1,2,4-triazine (5).** To a stirred suspension of sodium hydride (0.43 g, 10.8 mmol, 60% oil dispersion) in anhydrous tetrahydrofuran (30 mL) was added 5-hexyn-3-ol (1.06 g, 10.82 mmol) at once. When the initial vigorous effervescence had subsided, a freshly prepared solution of 2c (10.82 mmol) in methylene chloride was added rapidly to the reaction mixture. The resultant mixture was stirred under nitrogen for 6 h. After this time, the reaction mixture was partially evaporated under reduced pressure to a volume of 20 mL, then taken up in methylene chloride (75 mL), and washed first with water (70 mL) and then with brine (70 mL). The organic layer was dried (anhydrous  $\text{MgSO}_4$ ) and evaporated under reduced pressure to afford a yellow oil. This material was purified by column chromatography (elution with methylene chloride) to yield 1.93 g (60%) of [(1-ethyl-3-butynyl)oxy]-3-(methylthio)-6-phenyl-1,2,4-triazine (5) as a pale yellow oil: IR (neat) 3290, 3040, 2960, 2920, 2880, 2120, 1530, 1495, 1435, 1400, 1340, 1310, 1190, 1100, 1000, 960, 915, 865, 800, 755, 730, 690, 630  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.13–8.09 (m, 2 H), 7.49–7.47 (m, 3 H), 5.44 (quintet,

$J = 5.8$  Hz, 1H), 2.78–2.68 (m, 2 H), 2.70 (s, 3 H), 2.05 (t,  $J = 2.7$  Hz, 1 H), 1.98–1.89 (m, 2 H), 0.99 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 3 H); HRMS calcd for  $C_{16}H_{17}N_3OS$  299.1092, found 299.1092.

**2-Ethyl-6-(methylthio)-2,3-dihydrofuro[2,3-*d*]pyrimidine (6).** A stirred solution of **5** (0.52 g, 1.74 mmol) in TIPB (7 mL) was heated to 220–225 °C under nitrogen for 2 days. After this time, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and filtered through a silica gel pad, which was then eluted first with hexanes (250 mL) and then with 2% methanol/methylene chloride (3 × 250 mL). The third methylene chloride fraction was evaporated under reduced pressure, and the residual oil was purified by TLC to afford 0.13 g (38%) of 2-ethyl-6-(methylthio)-2,3-dihydrofuro[2,3-*d*]pyrimidine (**6**) as a reddish oil; IR (neat) 2960, 2920, 2880, 1595, 1555, 1430, 1360, 1320, 1290, 1230, 1200, 1120, 1085, 1050, 950, 825, 800, 770  $cm^{-1}$ ;  $^1H$  NMR ( $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  8.14 (s, 1 H), 4.92–4.84 (m, 1 H), 3.34–3.25 (m, 1 H), 2.89–2.81 (m, 1 H), 2.54 (s, 3 H), 1.94–1.73 (m, 2 H), 1.06 (t,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 3 H); HRMS calcd for  $C_9H_{12}N_2OS$  196.0670, found 196.0667.

**6-Phenyl-3-*p*-tolyl-1,2,4-triazine-5-thione (7a).**<sup>13</sup> A stirred solution of **1a** (5.00 g, 19.0 mmol) in pyridine (100 mL) containing phosphorus pentasulfide (2.60 g, 11.7 mmol, 0.62 eq) was heated at reflux under nitrogen for 4 h. The reaction mixture was evaporated under reduced pressure, and the resulting paste was slurried in water (250 mL) for 15 min. Following this period, the slurry was extracted with methylene chloride (250 mL), and the methylene chloride layer was washed with saturated sodium bicarbonate (100 mL), dried (anhydrous  $MgSO_4$ ), and evaporated under reduced pressure to afford a red-orange solid. Trituration of this material with ether yielded 4.28 g (81%) of 6-phenyl-3-*p*-tolyl-1,2,4-triazine-5-thione (**7a**) as a fine orange solid, which was obtained as orange plates, mp 214–215 °C, upon recrystallization from ethyl acetate: IR (KBr) 3160, 3000, 2810, 1600, 1550, 1500, 1435, 1325, 1300, 1255, 1190, 1175, 1055, 1000, 825, 720  $cm^{-1}$ ;  $^1H$  NMR (acetone- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  8.15 (d,  $J = 8.3$  Hz, 2 H), 7.89–7.86 (m, 2 H), 7.47–7.42 (m, 5 H), 2.46 (s, 3 H); HRMS calcd for  $C_{16}H_{13}N_3S$  279.0830, found 279.0832.

**6-Methyl-3-*p*-tolyl-1,2,4-triazine-5-thione (7b)** was prepared from **1b** as described above for the preparation of **7a** (99%): mp 183–185 °C; IR (KBr) 3160, 3080, 2960, 2900, 2840, 1570, 1520, 1490, 1440, 1430, 1360, 1350, 1310, 1290, 1250, 1170, 1080  $cm^{-1}$ ;  $^1H$  NMR (acetone- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  7.91 (d,  $J = 8.3$  Hz, 2 H), 7.34 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2 H), 2.61 (br s, 3 H), 2.44 (s, 3 H); HRMS calcd for  $C_{11}H_{11}N_3S$  217.0674, found 217.0677.

**3-(Methylthio)-6-phenyl-1,2,4-triazine-5-thione (7c)** was analogously prepared from **1c** (91% yield): mp 182–184 °C (lit.<sup>14</sup> mp 186–188 °C); IR (KBr) 3110, 2910, 2800, 1545, 1490, 1479, 1430, 1395, 1330, 1280, 1210, 1140, 1075, 1000, 885, 750, 680,  $cm^{-1}$ ;  $^1H$  NMR (acetone- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  7.77–7.74 (m, 2 H), 7.40–7.34 (m, 3 H), 2.66 (s, 3 H).

**6-Methyl-3-(methylthio)-1,2,4-triazine-5-thione (7d)** was prepared analogously from **1d** (68% yield): mp 170.5–171.5 °C (lit.<sup>15</sup> mp 178–179 °C); IR (KBr) 3140, 3090, 2800, 1570, 1500, 1425, 1405, 1365, 1320, 1250, 1070  $cm^{-1}$ ;  $^1H$  NMR (acetone- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  2.61 (s, 3 H), 2.36 (s, 3 H).

**6-Carbethoxy-3-(methylthio)-1,2,4-triazine-5-thione (7e)** was prepared in analogous fashion from **1e** (26% yield): mp 77–79 °C (lit.<sup>16</sup> mp 79–80 °C); IR (KBr) 2960, 1730, 1510, 1460, 1320, 1290, 1230, 1210, 1170, 1080, 1050  $cm^{-1}$ ;  $^1H$  NMR ( $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  4.50 (q,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 2 H), 2.70 (s, 3 H), 1.45 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3 H).

**5-(3-Butynylthio)-6-phenyl-3-*p*-tolyl-1,2,4-triazine (8a).** To a solution of **7a** (1.02 g, 3.66 mmol) in anhydrous tetrahydrofuran (50 mL) containing triethylamine (0.39 g, 3.80 mmol) which had been stirred under nitrogen for 5 min was added 4-iodo-1-butyne (0.70 g, 3.80 mmol), and the mixture was then further stirred under nitrogen for 6 h. Methylene chloride (150 mL) was added to the reaction mixture, which was then washed with water (100 mL) followed by saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate (100 mL). The organic layer was dried (anhydrous  $MgSO_4$ ) and evaporated under reduced pressure to afford a white solid. Trituration of this material in ether provided 1.01 g (83%) of 5-(3-butynylthio)-6-phenyl-3-*p*-tolyl-1,2,4-triazine (**8a**) as a white, flaky solid: mp 123.5–124.5 °C; IR (KBr) 3220, 3060, 3030, 2910, 1605, 1475, 1440, 1390, 1170, 1110, 1100, 1060, 795  $cm^{-1}$ ;  $^1H$  NMR ( $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  8.47 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 2 H), 7.86–7.83 (m, 2 H), 7.55–7.53 (m, 3 H), 7.37 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2 H), 3.48 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 2 H), 2.74 (dt,  $J_1 = 7.1$  Hz,  $J_2 = 2.5$  Hz, 2 H), 2.47 (s, 3 H), 2.09 (t,  $J = 2.8$  Hz, 1 H).

Anal. Calcd for  $C_{20}H_{17}N_3S$ : C, 72.48; H, 5.17; N, 12.68; S, 9.67. Found: C, 72.26; H, 5.27; N, 12.52; S, 9.57.

**5-(3-Butynylthio)-6-methyl-3-*p*-tolyl-1,2,4-triazine (8b)** was prepared as described above from 0.74 g (3.41 mmol) of **7b**, 0.37 g (3.61 mmol) of triethylamine, and 0.65 g (3.61 mmol) of 4-iodo-1-butyne: yield, 0.88 g (96%) of **8b** as a pale yellow solid, mp 105–106 °C; IR (KBr) 3220, 1600, 1485, 1425, 1380, 1310, 1290, 1220, 1170, 1100, 1020, 975, 870, 830, 770  $cm^{-1}$ ;  $^1H$  NMR ( $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  8.40 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 2 H), 7.34 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2 H), 3.52 (t,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 2 H), 2.77 (dt,  $J_1 = 7.2$  Hz,  $J_2 = 2.7$  Hz, 2 H), 2.64 (s, 3 H), 2.46 (s, 3 H), 2.13 (t,  $J = 2.8$  Hz, 1 H).

Anal. Calcd for  $C_{15}H_{15}N_3S$ : C, 66.89; H, 5.61; N, 15.60; S, 11.90. Found: C, 66.67; H, 5.74; N, 15.53; S, 11.69.

**5-(3-Butynylthio)-3-(methylthio)-6-phenyl-1,2,4-triazine (8c)** was prepared analogously from 1.00 g (4.26 mmol) of **7c**, 0.44 g (4.38 mmol) of triethylamine, and 0.78 g (4.34 mmol) of 4-iodo-1-butyne; yield, 1.09 g (89%) of **8c** as a fine off-white solid, mp 113–114 °C; IR (KBr) 3220, 2920, 1500, 1460, 1430, 1340, 1315, 1265, 1230, 1170, 1060, 990, 860, 790, 755, 685  $cm^{-1}$ ;  $^1H$  NMR ( $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  7.77–7.74 (m, 2 H), 7.55–7.51 (m, 3 H), 3.35 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 2 H), 2.71 (s, 3 H), 2.65 (dt,  $J_1 = 7.2$  Hz,  $J_2 = 2.4$  Hz, 2 H), 2.07 (t,  $J = 2.2$  Hz, 3 H).

Anal. Calcd for  $C_{14}H_{13}N_3S_2$ : C, 58.51; H, 4.56; N, 14.62; S, 22.31. Found: C, 58.30; H, 4.51; N, 14.45; S, 22.39.

**5-(3-Butynylthio)-6-methyl-3-(methylthio)-1,2,4-triazine (8d)** was prepared from 0.90 g (5.20 mmol) of **7d**, 0.54 g (5.36 mmol) of triethylamine, and 0.96 g (5.31 mmol) of 4-iodo-1-butyne; yield, 0.79 g (68%) of **8d** as a fine beige solid, mp 57–58 °C; IR (KBr) 3220, 2920, 2110, 1490, 1420, 1370, 1300, 1230, 1190, 1110, 1055, 980, 965, 870, 665  $cm^{-1}$ ; NMR ( $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  3.38 (t,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 2 H), 2.66 (dt,  $J_1 = 7.2$  Hz,  $J_2 = 2.8$  Hz, 2 H), 2.64 (s, 3 H), 2.54 (s, 3 H), 2.09 (t,  $J = 2.6$  Hz, 1 H).

Anal. Calcd for  $C_9H_{11}N_3S_2$ : C, 47.97; H, 4.92; N, 18.65; S, 28.46. Found: C, 47.94; H, 5.00; N, 18.73; S, 28.52.

**5-(3-Butynylthio)-6-carbethoxy-3-(methylthio)-1,2,4-triazine (8e)** was prepared from 0.41 g (1.78 mmol) of **7e**, 0.18 g (1.78 mmol) of triethylamine, and 0.32 g (1.78 mmol) of 4-iodo-1-butyne as described above: yield, 0.32 g (64%) of **8e** as a yellow powder, mp 94–95 °C dec (effervescence); IR (KBr) 3240, 2970, 2920, 1700, 1610, 1545, 1460, 1420, 1370, 1330, 1300, 1210, 1160, 1080, 1060, 890  $cm^{-1}$ ;  $^1H$  NMR ( $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  4.52 (q,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 2 H), 3.36 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 2 H), 2.71 (s, 3 H), 2.64 (dt,  $J_1 = 7.2$  Hz,  $J_2 = 2.5$  Hz, 2 H), 2.09 (t,  $J = 2.4$  Hz, 1 H), 1.47 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 3 H).

Anal. Calcd for  $C_{11}H_{13}N_3O_2S_2$ : C, 46.63; H, 4.62; N, 14.83; S, 22.63. Found: C, 46.47; H, 4.66; N, 14.89; S, 22.75.

**6-*p*-Tolyl-2,3-dihydrothieno[2,3-*d*]pyrimidine (9a). Method A.** A stirred suspension of **8a** (0.22 g, 0.67 mmol) in TIPB (5 mL) was heated to 210–220 °C under nitrogen for 15 h. After this time, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and filtered through a silica gel pad, which was then eluted first with hexanes (200 mL) and then with 2% methanol/methylene chloride (2 × 250 mL). The second methylene chloride fraction was evaporated under reduced pressure, and the residual oil was purified by TLC (1:1 hexanes/ethyl acetate as eluent) to afford 0.03 g (18%) of **9a** as pale tan crystals: mp 154.5–155.5 °C;  $^1H$  NMR ( $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  8.33 (s, 1 H), 8.27 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 2 H), 7.27 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2 H), 3.45 (m, 2 H), 3.34 (m, 2 H), 2.41 (s, 3 H); HRMS calcd for  $C_{13}H_{12}N_2S$  228.0721, found 228.0717.

**Method B.** A stirred suspension of **8b** (0.27 g, 1.00 mmol) in TIPB (4 mL) was heated to reflux (232–236 °C) under nitrogen for 48 h. After this time, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and then worked up as described above to give 0.04 g (18%) of **9a**, identical in all respects with material prepared as described above under method A.

**6-(Methylthio)-2,3-dihydrothieno[2,3-*d*]pyrimidine (9b).** This material was prepared as described above from 0.29 g (0.01 mmol) of **8c** by heating at 220–225 °C for 7.25 h in TIPB (6 mL), followed by workup as described above for **9a** (method A) to give 0.09 g (48%) of a brown oil: IR (neat) 2920, 1680, 1555, 1510, 1430, 1375, 1315, 1270, 1220, 1205, 1170, 1110, 1080, 960, 860, 825, 765, 735  $cm^{-1}$ ;  $^1H$  NMR ( $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  8.08 (s, 1 H), 3.43 (t,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 2 H), 3.27 (t,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 2 H), 2.55 (s, 3 H); HRMS calcd for  $C_7H_8N_2S_2$  184.0129, found 184.0127. Under the same reaction conditions, **9b** was obtained in 59% yield from **8d** and in 33% yield (44% based upon recovered starting material) from **8e**.

**5-(3-Butynylamino)-6-phenyl-3-*p*-tolyl-1,2,4-triazine (10a).** A mixture of freshly prepared **2a** (10.0 mmol) in anhydrous THF (35 mL) and 4-amino-1-butyne (1.42 g, 20.6 mmol, 2.06 equiv) was stirred under nitrogen for 5.5 h. After this period, methylene chloride (100 mL) was added, and the reaction mixture was washed first with water (100 mL) and then with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate (100 mL). The organic layer was dried (anhydrous  $\text{MgSO}_4$ ) and evaporated under reduced pressure to afford a yellow oil, which when triturated in 1:1 ether/petroleum ether yielded 5-(3-butynylamino)-6-phenyl-1,2,4-triazine (3.06 g, 98%) as a fine white solid, mp 130–131 °C; IR (KBr) 3420, 3270, 3230, 3050, 2940, 2910, 1605, 1575, 1550, 1525, 1440, 1425, 1400, 1375, 1355, 1250, 1160, 1110, 1070, 1000, 800, 765, 725  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.42 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 2 H), 7.79–7.75 (m, 2 H), 7.60–7.50 (m, 3 H), 7.33 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 2 H), 5.86 (br s, 1 H), 3.80 (q,  $J = 6.2$  Hz, 2 H), 2.66 (dt,  $J_1 = 6.2$  Hz,  $J_2 = 2.4$  Hz, 2 H), 2.46 (s, 3 H), 2.05 (t,  $J = 2.4$  Hz, 1 H).

Anal. Calcd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_4$ : C, 76.41; H, 5.77; N, 17.82. Found: C, 76.14; H, 5.80; N, 17.77.

**5-(3-Butynylamino)-3-(methylthio)-6-phenyl-1,2,4-triazine (10b).** A mixture of freshly prepared **2c** in anhydrous THF (30 mL) and 4-amino-1-butyne (1.40 g, 20.3 mmol, 2.03 equiv) was stirred under nitrogen for 19 h. After this period, methylene chloride (100 mL) was added, and the reaction mixture was washed with water (100 mL) followed by saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate (100 mL). The organic layer was dried (anhydrous  $\text{MgSO}_4$ ) and evaporated under reduced pressure to afford a pale orange oil. Purification of this material by column chromatography (1:1 hexanes/ethyl acetate eluent) yielded 2.37 g (88%) of **10b** as an orange-yellow oil: IR (neat) 3400, 3280, 2920, 1560, 1440, 1345, 1310, 1260, 1215, 1170, 1105, 1065, 1000, 985, 755  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.69–7.66 (m, 2 H), 7.57–7.51 (m, 3 H), 5.85 (b s, 1 H), 3.66 (q,  $J = 6.3$  Hz, 2 H), 2.64 (s, 3 H), 2.57 (dt,  $J_1 = 6.5$  Hz,  $J_2 = 2.7$  Hz, 2 H), 2.03 (t,  $J = 2.8$  Hz, 1 H); HRMS calcd for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_4\text{S}$  270.0939, found 270.0942.

**5-Amino-6-phenyl-3-*p*-tolyl-1,2,4-triazine (11a).** A stirred solution of **10a** (0.32 g, 1.02 mmol) in nitrobenzene (10 mL) was heated at reflux under nitrogen for 4 days. After this time, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and filtered through a silica gel pad, which was then eluted first with methylene chloride (200 mL) and then with 1:1 hexanes/ethyl acetate. The second fraction was evaporated under reduced pressure, and the residual black solid was purified by column chromatography (1:1 hexanes/ethyl acetate as eluent) to yield 0.04 g (15%) of **11a** as tan needles: mp 208–210 °C; IR (KBr) 3480, 3250, 3180, 3110, 1600, 1520, 1445, 1390, 1000, 800, 720  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.39 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 2 H), 7.81–7.78 (m, 2 H), 7.61–7.53 (m, 3 H), 7.33 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 2 H), 5.37 (b s, 2 H), 2.46 (s, 3 H); HRMS calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_4$  262.1218, found 262.1209.

**5-Amino-3-(methylthio)-6-phenyl-1,2,4-triazine (11b).** A stirred solution of **10b** (0.47 g, 1.74 mmol) in nitrobenzene (10 mL) was heated at reflux under nitrogen for 3 days. After this time, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and then worked up as described above for **11a** to give 0.06 g (16%) of **11b** as a tan solid: mp 144–146 °C; IR (KBr) 3470, 3230, 3160,

1610, 1515, 1495, 1430, 1340, 1205, 750  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.71–7.68 (m, 2 H), 7.57–7.53 (m, 3 H), 5.40 (b s, 2 H), 2.67 (s, 3 H); HRMS calcd for  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{10}\text{N}_4\text{S}$  218.0626, found 218.0630.

**5-(1,1-Dicyano-4-pentynyl)-6-phenyl-3-*p*-tolyl-1,2,4-triazine (12).**<sup>19</sup> To a stirred suspension of sodium hydride (0.17 g, 4.27 mmol, 60% oil dispersion) in anhydrous tetrahydrofuran (20 mL) at room temperature under nitrogen was added 1,1-dicyano-4-pentynyl<sup>18</sup> (0.51 g, 4.34 mmol). After the initial effervescent reaction had subsided, a freshly prepared solution of **2a** (3.88 mmol) was added rapidly to the mixture, which was then stirred under nitrogen for 8 h. After this time, the reaction mixture was partially evaporated under reduced pressure, and the residual material was taken up in methylene chloride (100 mL) and washed first with water (2  $\times$  50 mL) and then with brine (2  $\times$  50 mL). The organic layer was dried (anhydrous  $\text{MgSO}_4$ ) and evaporated under reduced pressure to afford a light orange oil, which upon trituration in 1:5 ether/petroleum ether gave 1.02 g (72%) of **12** as a fine yellow solid: mp 113–114.5 °C; IR (KBr) 3300, 3280, 3060, 2920, 1600, 1520, 1490, 1475, 1440, 1390, 1175, 1010, 810, 760, 725  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.54 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 2 H), 7.76–7.65 (m, 5 H), 7.43 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2 H), 2.81 (t,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 2 H), 2.61 (dt,  $J_1 = 8.0$  Hz,  $J_2 = 2.7$  Hz, 2 H), 2.51 (s, 3 H), 1.99 (t,  $J = 2.7$  Hz, 1 H).

**1,1-Dicyano-6-*p*-tolylcyclopenteno[*d*]pyrimidine (13).** A stirred suspension of **12** (0.36 g, 0.99 mmol) in bromobenzene (7.5 mL) was heated to reflux (156 °C) under nitrogen for 7.5 h. After this time the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and filtered through a silica gel pad, which was then washed first with hexanes (200 mL), methylene chloride (200 mL), and then with 2% methanol/methylene chloride (250 mL). The second fraction was evaporated under reduced pressure to afford **13** as white plates (0.9 g). The third fraction was evaporated under reduced pressure, and the residual material was purified by TLC (elution with 1:1 hexanes/ethyl acetate) to yield additional product (0.12 g) as white plates (total yield 0.21 g, 82%): mp 202–204 °C dec; IR (KBr) 1585, 1540, 1410, 1385, 1170, 830, 790  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.86 (s, 1 H), 8.43 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2 H), 7.34 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2 H), 3.29 (t,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 2 H), 3.01 (t,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 2 H), 2.46 (s, 3 H); HRMS calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_4$  260.1062, found 260.1056.

**Registry No.** **1a**, 36993-96-1; **1b**, 109306-98-1; **1c**, 1566-37-6; **1d**, 1566-32-1; **1e**, 31143-85-8; **2a**, 109306-99-2; **2b**, 109307-00-8; **2c**, 109307-01-9; **2d**, 109307-02-0; **3a**, 109307-03-1; **3b**, 109307-04-2; **3c**, 109307-05-3; **3d**, 109307-06-4; **4a**, 109307-07-5; **4b**, 109307-08-6; **5**, 109333-71-3; **6**, 109307-09-7; **7a**, 109307-10-0; **7b**, 109307-11-1; **7c**, 38119-45-8; **7d**, 7448-19-3; **7e**, 65763-91-9; **8a**, 109307-12-2; **8b**, 109307-13-3; **8c**, 109307-14-4; **8d**, 109307-15-5; **8e**, 109307-16-6; **9a**, 109307-17-7; **9b**, 109307-18-8; **10a**, 109307-19-9; **10b**, 109307-20-2; **11a**, 109307-21-3; **11b**, 109307-22-4; **12**, 109333-89-3; **13**, 109307-23-5; TIPB, 717-74-8;  $\text{NH}_2\text{N}=\text{C}(\text{SMe})\text{NH}_2\cdot\text{HI}$ , 35600-34-1; *p*- $\text{MeC}_6\text{H}_4\text{C}(\text{=NH})\text{NHNH}_2$ , 62230-47-1;  $\text{PhCOCO}_2\text{H}$ , 611-73-4;  $\text{HO}_2\text{CCOMe}$ , 127-17-3;  $\text{CH}\equiv\text{C}(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{OH}$ , 927-74-2;  $\text{CH}\equiv\text{CCH}_2\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{Et}$ , 19780-84-8;  $\text{CH}\equiv\text{C}(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{I}$ , 43001-25-8;  $\text{CH}\equiv\text{C}(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{NH}_2$ , 14044-63-4;  $\text{CH}\equiv\text{C}(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{CH}(\text{CN})_2$ , 106814-29-3.