Substituted 1,4-Dihydropyrimidines. 3.1 Synthesis of Selectively Functionalized 2-Hetero-1,4-dihydropyrimidines

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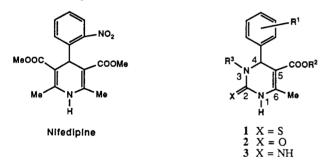
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The utility of 2-[[(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl]thio]- and 2-methoxy-1,4-dihydropyrimidines 9 and 10 for the preparation of 3-substituted 1,4-dihydropyrimidines 1-3 is described. The pyrimidines 9 and 10, which were prepared in high yield by the reaction of benzylidene 11 with 2-[(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl]-2-thiopseudourea (12) and O-methylisourea (13), respectively, underwent reaction with various electrophiles in a selective manner. The fully functionalized intermediates 15 and 16 were deprotected to yield the desired products 1 and 2 in high overall yield. The methoxy group in intermediate 16 could also be exchanged with an amine to provide the selectively functionalized aminopyrimidines 3.

Introduction

In addition to being essential components of naturally occurring nucleic acids, pyrimidines are integral parts of such biologically important compounds as antiviral agents,² antitumor agents,³ and cardiovascular agents.⁴ Because of their biological importance, these compounds have been the subject of considerable synthetic activity during the past several years.⁵ A sizeable portion of this work is directed toward the selective functionalization of the pyrimidine nitrogens.⁶ Because of their structural relationship to the clinically important dihydropyridine calcium channel blockers⁷ (e.g. nifedipine), we were interested in the synthesis of 3-substituted 1,4-dihydropyrimidines 1-3.8 Attempted functionalization of the unsubstituted



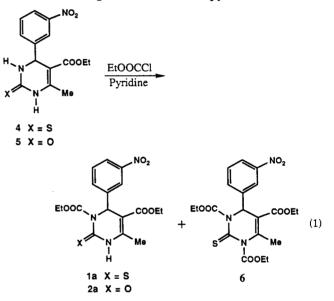
pyrimidinethione $(1, \mathbb{R}^3 = H)$, pyrimidinone $(2, \mathbb{R}^3 = H)$, and aminopyrimidine $(3, \mathbb{R}^3 = H)$ was either unsuccessful or gave a mixture of products. For example, the reaction of pyrimidinethione 4 with ethyl chloroformate gave, in addition to the desired product 1a, varying amounts of the

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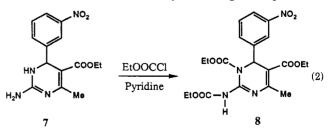
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diethoxycarbonylated product 6 (eq 1). The corresponding reaction involving the unsubstituted pyrimidinone 5 was



sluggish and required the use of a strong base such as sodium hydride. The regiochemistry of this alkoxycarbonylation is highly dependent on the position of the substituent on the aromatic ring, with ortho-substituted compounds usually leading to N1 alkoxycarbonylation.^{6d} In order to achieve a meaningful yield of ortho-substituted N3-alkoxycarbonylated products via this route, Cho et al. had to protect N1.6d Functionalization of the 2-aminodihydropyrimidine 7 offers essentially no selectivity between the exo- and the endocyclic nitrogens (eq 2).^{6a}

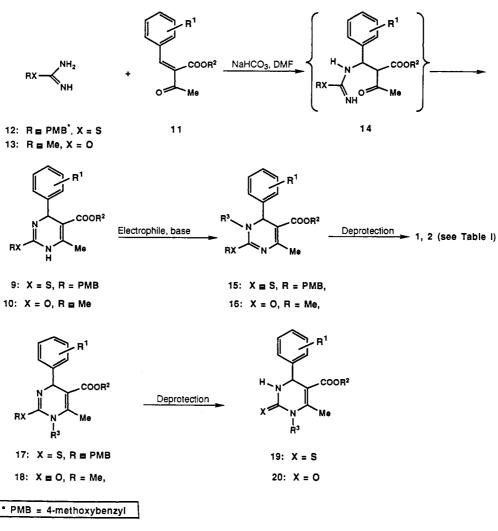


In recent papers, we reported the utility of 1,4-dihydropyrimidines 9 and 10 for the synthesis of dihydropyrimidinethiones 1 ($R^3 = H$) and pyrimidinones 2 ($R^3 =$ H), respectively.¹ Realizing the difficulty attending the selective ethoxycarbonylation of pyrimidines 4 and 5, we explored the reaction of 1,4-dihydropyrimidines 9 and 10 with various electrophiles. These studies have resulted in the synthesis of 1,4-dihydropyrimidines (1-3) selectively

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Scheme I



functionalized at N3 and is the subject of this publication.

Results and Discussion

The synthesis of ethoxycarbonylated product 1a from 4 is complicated not only by the low yield for the preparation of pyrimidinethione 4 using the Biginelli condensation¹ but also by the lack of regioselectivity in the reaction of 4 with ethylchloroformate (eq 1). We envisaged that use of 2-heterosubstituted 1,4-dihydropyrimidines 9 and 10 could circumvent these problems, anticipating the difference in reactivity between the pyrimidine nitrogens of 9 and 10 would increase the selectivity of their reaction with an incoming electrophile (9/10 \rightarrow 15/16) (Scheme I).^{6a} Deprotection of the fully functionalized intermediates 15 and 16 would lead to the desired products 1 and 2, respectively.

2-[[(4-Methoxyphenyl)methyl]thio]- and 2-methoxy-1,4-dihydropyrimidines 9 and 10 were prepared by the condensation of benzylidene 11^9 with 2-((4-methoxyphenyl)methyl)-2-thiopseudourea (12) and O-methylisourea (13), respectively (Scheme I).¹ This reaction presumably proceeds through the Michael addition product 14, giving 1,4-dihydropyrimidines 9 and 10 in excellent yields. Both 2-(alkylthio)pyrimidine 9 and 2-methoxypyrimidine 10 exist in solution as a mixture of tautomers (variable ratio) as demonstrated by ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectroscopy.¹⁰ Nevertheless, reaction with electrophiles led to a single product $(9/10 \rightarrow 15/16)$.

Treatment of 9a with ethyl chloroformate gave 15a (R¹ = $3 \cdot NO_2$, R² = Et, R³ = COOEt). Removal of the 4methoxybenzyl group (trifluoroacetic acid, ethanethiol) furnished 1a (Table I), the product of exclusive ethoxycarbonylation at N3.¹¹ In the ¹H NMR spectrum the C4 methine and the C6 methyl group of 1a are singlets at 6.4 and 2.4 ppm, respectively. The ¹³C NMR spectrum shows characteristic signals at 141, 106 (double bond of the enamino ester), and 176 ppm (thiocarbonyl). As illustrated by the preparation of 1b, ortho substitution does not change the outcome of this reaction.

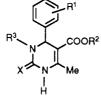
When the appropriate chloroformate was unavailable for reaction with 9 (e.g. as in 1c), a convenient alternate method was employed.^{6b} Treatment of the 1,4-dihydropyrimidine 9b with phosgene followed by appropriate alcohol gave intermediate 15c ($\mathbb{R}^1 = \mathbb{CF}_3$, $\mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{Et}$, $\mathbb{R}^3 =$ COO-4-benzylpiperidine). Although 15c could be isolated, it was most convenient to remove the protecting group and isolate the final product 1c. Both methods gave good yields of products. Furthermore, selective N3 functionalization of 9 is not restricted to alkoxycarbonylation, as

⁽⁹⁾ The unsaturated keto ester 11 is prepared in high yield from an aldehyde and acetoacetic ester by the standard Knoevenagel condensation.

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Table I. Preparation of 1,4-Dihydropyrimidinethiones 1 and 1,4-Dihydropyrimidinones 2



substrate	product	Х	R1	\mathbb{R}^2	R ³	% yieldª	mp, °C
9a	1 a	S	$3-NO_2$	Et	C(O)OEt	82	126-128
9b	1 b	s	$2-CF_3$	\mathbf{Et}	C(O)OEt	58	104-106
9b	1c	S	$2-CF_3$	Et	O Ⅲ CO—∕──N—Bn	60	202-204
9c	1 d	s	3-NO ₂	Me	C(O)Et	74	167-171
9a	1 e	S S	3-NO ₂	Et	$C(O)NMe_2$	78	168-170
9a	1 f	S	$3 - NO_2^2$	\mathbf{Et}	C(S)NMe ₂	54	179.5-181
9a	1 g	S	3-NO ₂	\mathbf{Et}	SO ₂ Me	59	161-163
9a	1 h	S	3-NO ₂	\mathbf{Et}	$CH_{2}CH_{2}CH_{3}$	60^{b}	159 - 162
9b	1 i	S S S O	$2 - CF_3$	\mathbf{Et}	CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃	36*	139-141
10 a	2a	0	$3-NO_2$	\mathbf{Et}	C(O)OEt	92	107-109
10a	2b	0	$3-NO_2$	\mathbf{Et}	C(O)Ot-Bu	65	139-140
10b	2c	0	$2-NO_2$	Et	C(0)OEt	76	151 - 152
10a	2d	0	$3-NO_2$	\mathbf{Et}	C(O)Et	64	152 - 154
10 c	2e	0	$3-NO_2$	i-Pr	$C(O)NMe_2$	84	165-166
10a	2f	0	$3-NO_2$	Et	SO_2Ph	41	187 - 188
10c	$2\mathbf{g}$	0	$3-NO_2$	i-Pr	$C(O)NH_2$	91	206 - 207
10c	2h	0	3-NO ₂	i-Pr	O Me ▼ COCHCH₂NBn ∙HCI	73	109–119°
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10 d	2j		, ,			91	152-153
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^a Yield is based on the crystalline product isolated and is unoptimized. ^bAccompanied by the regioisomer, see the Experimental Section. ^c Mixture of diastereomers.

illustrated by the preparation of acylated (1d), ureido (1e), thioureido (1f), and sulfonylated (1g) pyrimidinethiones (Table I).

The regioselectivity for alkylation of 1,4-dihydropyrimidinethione 9 depends on the substrate as well as on the alkylating agent used. We have recently reported the alkylation of 9a ($R^1 = 3$ -nitro, $R^2 = Et$) with benzyl bromide followed by deprotection gives exclusively the product of N3 alkylation.^{1b} In contrast, reaction of 9a with less reactive electrophile 1-bromopropane and removal of the protecting group gave a 5:1 mixture of N3 (1h) and N1 (19a) alkylated product. Moreover, in a similar reaction of 9b with propyl bromide, we obtained a 1:1 mixture of the N3 (11) and N1 (19b) alkylated products, presumably a result of steric hindrance at N3 by the ortho-substituted aromatic ring. Regardless of the lack of regioselectivity of alkylation in certain cases, the methodology reported here does make available the N3 alkylated pyrimidinethiones (1), which are not accessible by the previous methodology.¹

The regioisomers were readily distinguished by ¹H NMR spectroscopy. The N3 substituted compound 1i shows the C4 methine as a singlet at 6.0 ppm, and the N1 substituted compound 19b shows the same proton as a narrow doublet (J = 3.0 Hz) at 5.75 ppm. The doublet becomes a singlet on deuteration, which confirms that the coupling is due to the neighboring N3-H. These products can also be distinguished at the intermediate stage (15, 17) by ¹³C

NMR spectroscopy. The most diagnostic signal is due to the vinylic methyl in the ¹³C NMR spectrum. The conjugated diene 15 shows this methyl group at 21-22 ppm whereas the cross conjugated diene 17 displays the same methyl at 15–17 ppm.

When the methoxypyrimidine 10, prepared from Omethylisourea (13) and benzylidene $11,^9$ was treated with a variety of electrophiles under the reaction conditions described for 9 (Scheme I), we obtained the N3-substituted 1,4-dihydropyrimidinones **2a**-j in good yields (see Table I). By monitoring the hydrolysis $(16b \rightarrow 2b)$ carefully, we were able to obtain the acid compound 2b. The N3 functionalization reaction is not restricted to pyrimidines substituted with a phenyl group at C4 as the bulky cyclohexyl-substituted pyrimidinone 2j was obtained from 10d in excellent yield. Ureido derivative 2e was obtained by the reaction of methoxypyrimidine 10c with phosgene followed by dimethylamine and deprotection. As an alternative to the use of phosgene, methoxypyrimidine 10c was converted to the crystalline 4-nitrophenyl carbamate 21, which on treatment with ammonia provided the desired product 2g in good yield (Scheme II). This alternate procedure is useful for the synthesis of branched carbamate 2h, which was obtained in poor yield via phosgene method.

Alkylation (K_2CO_3 , allyl bromide) of methoxypyrimidine 10c followed by removal of the protecting group gave a 6:4 mixture of N3 (2j) and N1 (20) alkylated products. The structure assignments were confirmed by ¹H and ¹³C NMR Scheme II

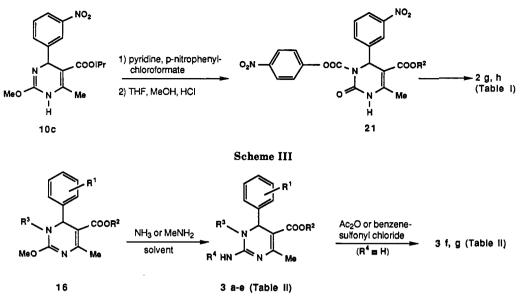
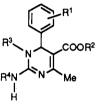


Table II. Preparation of Substituted 2-Aminopyrimidines (3)



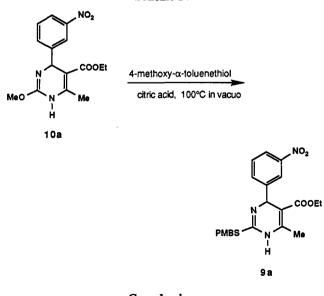
substrate	product	R ¹	\mathbb{R}^2	R ³	R⁴	% yield ^a	mp, °C
16c	3a	3-NO2	Et	C(0)OEt	Н	54	166-168
16a	3b	3-NO ₂	\mathbf{Et}	C(O)OEt	Me	49	112-114
16c	3c	3-NO ₂	i-Pr	C(O)NMe ₂	н	40	202-203
16c	3d	3-N0,	\mathbf{Et}	SO ₂ Ph	н	30	200-201
16c	3e	3-N02	i-Pr	CH ₂ CH=CH ₂ HCl	н	47	208-210
3a	3f	3-NO2	\mathbf{Et}	C(O)OEt	Ac	87 ^b	154-156
3a	3g	$3 - NO_2$	\mathbf{Et}	C(O)OEt	SO ₂ Me	90°	139–141

^a Yield is based on the crystalline product isolated and is unoptimized. ^bMixture of tautomers. ^cDouble bond in the exocyclic position.

spectroscopy in a manner as described for dihydropyrimidinethiones (vide supra).

We next investigated the utility of 2-methoxy-1,4-dihydropyrimidine 10 for the preparation of aminopyrimidines 3. Our strategy was to introduce the amine into the functionalized intermediate 16 via an exchange reaction. We assumed this would allow the selective functionalization of either the exo- or the endocyclic nitrogens. As shown in Scheme III, 16a ($R^1 = 3$ -NO₂, $R^2 =$ Et, $R^3 = COOEt$) undergoes smooth exchange with ammonia to provide the aminopyrimidine 3a. The reaction with methylamine proceeded equally well, providing 2-(methylamino)pyrimidine 3b in good yield. This reaction was also successful with a variety of substituents present on the pyrimidine nitrogen (3c-e, Table II). The advantange of this process is further illustrated by the preparation of pyrimidines 3f and 3g, where the exocyclic nitrogen is distinguished from the ring nitrogens (Scheme III).

The utility of 2-methoxy-1,4-dihydropyrimidine 10 for the preparation of 2-[[(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl]thio]-1,4-dihydropyrimidine 9 was also examined. Thus heating methoxypyrimidine 10a with 4-methoxybenzyl mercaptan in the presence of an acid catalyst provided 2-mercaptopyrimidine 9a (Scheme IV). Our combined results demonstrate that 2-methoxypyrimidine 10 is an excellent source of 2-hetero-1,4-dihydropyrimidines (1-3).



Scheme IV

Conclusion

We have shown that 2-hetero-1,4-dihydropyrimidines 1-3 can be prepared in a selective manner from the readily available 1,4-dihydropyrimidines 9 and 10. With the exception of alkylation, the reactions of 9 and 10 with various electrophiles takes place at N3 with complete selectivity. We believe this selectivity is due to a difference in the electron density at N3 and N1.^{6a} The former, being richer in electron density, is more reactive and produces products of exclusive functionalization at N3. The methodology described here avoids use of pyrimidinethiones (e.g. 4) and pyrimidinones (e.g. 5) as starting materials and consequently, it does not rely on the unpredictable Biginelli condensation.¹ Also, the ortho-substituted compounds (1b,c, 2c), otherwise difficulty accessible, are available by this method. A particularly attractive feature of this method is its utility for the preparation of functionalized 2-amino-1,4-dihydropyrimidines (Table II), which are unavailable by previous methods.^{6a}

Experimental Section

All melting points were taken on a capillary melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. The infrared spectra were recorded with a Perkin-Elmer 983 spectrophotometer in KBr pellets. ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra were measured on JEOL GX-400 and FX-270 spectrometers with Me₄Si as an internal standard. Mass spectra were obtained with a Finnigan TSQ-4600 spectrometer. Flash chromatography was run with Whatman LPS-1 silica gel and Merck kieselgel 60 (230-400 mesh ASTM).

1,4-Dihydro-2-[[(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl]thio]-6methyl-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic Acid Ethyl Ester (9a). The reaction mixture containing 2-[(3-nitrophenyl)methylene]-3-oxobutanoic acid ethyl ester (11a)⁹ (13.58 g, 51.0 mmol), 2-((4-methoxyphenyl)methyl)-2-thiopseudourea hydrochloride (12)^{1b} (4.18 g, 51.0 mmol), and sodium acetate (4.92 g, 60 mmol) in dimethylformamide (75 mL) was heated at 70 °C for 4 h. The reaction was cooled to room temperature, diluted with ether, and filtered. The filtrate was washed with water, sodium bicarbonate, and brine and dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate. The solvent was evaporated, and the residue was crystallized from isopropyl ether to yield a colorless solid 9a (18.8 g, 83%): mp 95-97 °C; IR (KBr) 1674, 1648, 1610, 1525, 1512, 1480, 1348, 1282, 1250, 1178, and 1105 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.12 (s, 1 H), 8.07 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1 H), 7.52 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1 H), 7.4 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.12 (d, J = 10 Hz, 2 H), 6.67 (d, J = 10Hz, 2 H), 6.32 (s, 1 H), 5.83 (s, 1 H), 4.15, 4.1 (AB q, J = 12 Hz, 2 H), 4.12 (q, J = 7 Hz, 2 H), 3.76 (s, 3 H), 2.32 (s, 3 H), 1.22 (t, J = 7 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 166.3, 158.9, 150.0, 148.3, 146.9, 145.0, 133.5, 130.1, 129.1, 128.9, 122.1, 121.9, 113.8, 100.0, 60.1, 59.5, 55.2, 34.8, 18.8, 14.2. Anal. Calcd for C₂₂H₂₃N₃O₅S: C, 59.84; H, 5.25; N, 9.51; S, 7.26. Found: C, 59.90; H, 5.26; N, 9.58; S,

1,4-Dihydro-2-[[(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl]thio]-6methyl-4-[2-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic Acid Ethyl Ester Monohydrochloride (9b). This compound was prepared in 64% yield by the same procedure as described for 9a: mp 99-100 °C; IR (KBr) 1717, 1609, 1513, 1314, 1253, 1220, 1162, 1126, 1100 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (DMSO- $d_{\rm e}$) & 7.76 (d, J = 7 Hz, 1 H), 7.62 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.55 (t, J = 7 Hz, 1 H), 7.34 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.04 (d, J = 10 Hz, 2 H), 6.57 (d, J = 10 Hz, 2 H), 5.91 (s, 1 H), 4.8-4.6 (m, 1 H), 4.4-4.2 (m, 1H), 3.93 (q, J = 6 Hz, 2 H), 3.7 (s, 3 H), 2.45 (s, 3 H), 0.96 (t, J = 6Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (DMSO- $d_{\rm e}$) & 164.7, 160.6, 145.1, 134.7, 131.1, 131.0, 130.8, 127.8, 127.3, 115.2, 107.4, 61.9, 55.9, 52.4, 37.4, 17.4, 14.3. Anal. Calcd for C₂₃H₂₃F₃N₂O₃S-HCl: C, 55.14; H, 4.82; N, 5.59; Cl, 7.07; F, 11.37; S, 6.39. Found: C, 55.28; H, 4.83; N, 5.86; Cl, 6.83; F, 11.32; S, 6.27.

1,4-Dihydro-2-[[(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl]thio]-6methyl-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic Acid Methyl Ester (9c). This compound was prepared in 80% yield by the same procedure as described for 9a: mp 125-127.5 °C; IR (KBr) 1649, 1610, 1527, 1511, 1477, 1432, 1347, 1162, 1109 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.1 (s, 1 H), 8.08 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1 H), 7.63 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1 H), 7.43 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.12 (d, J = 9 Hz, 2 H), 6.67 (d, J = 9 Hz, 2 H), 6.24 (s, 1 H), 5.82 (s, 1 H), 3.77 (s, 3 H), 3.67 (s, 3 H), 2.33 (s, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 166.8, 158.8, 150.3, 148.3, 146.7, 145.6, 133.4, 129.3, 129.0, 121.9, 113.7, 99.4, 59.3, 55.1, 51.5, 34.6, 18.5. Anal. Calcd for C₂₁H₂₁N₃O₅S: C, 59.00; H, 4.95; N, 9.83; S, 7.50. Found: C, 58.86; H, 4.82, N, 9.51; S, 7.25. 1,4-Dihydro-2-methoxy-6-methyl-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic Acid 1-Methylethyl Ester (10c). The reaction mixture containing 2-[(3-nitrophenyl)methylene]-3oxobutanoic acid 1-methylethyl ester (11d)⁹ (41.3 g, 149.0 mmol), O-methylisourea hydrogen sulfate 13 (33.35 g, 194.0 mmol), and sodium bicarbonate (50.07 g, 596 mmol) in dimethylformamide (150 mL) was heated at 70 °C for 24 h.1a The reaction was cooled to room temperature, diluted with ether, and filtered. The filtrate was washed with water, sodium bicarbonate, and brine and dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate. The solvent was evaporated, and the residue was crystallized from isopropyl ether to yield a colorless solid 10c (43.84 g, 88%): mp 130-132 °C; IR (KBr) 1685, 1524, 1489, 1345, 1232, 1102 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.17 (s, 1 H), 8.09 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.68 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.45 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 6.2 (br, 1 H), 5.67 (s, 1 H), 4.95 (q, J = 6.33 Hz, 2 H), 3.75 (s, 3 H), 2.35 (s, 3 H), 1.22, 1.07 (d, J = 6.33 Hz, 3 H each); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 165.93, 148.22, 133.35, 129.88, 122.05, 67.26, 53.95, 21.98, 21.67 (some signals were of low intensity due to tautomeric equilibrium). Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₁₉N₃O₅: C, 57.65; H, 5.74; N, 12.61. Found: C, 57.72; H, 5.93; N, 12.66.

1,4-Dihydro-2-methoxy-6-methyl-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic Acid Ethyl Ester (10a). This compound was prepared in 82% yield by the same procedure as described for 10e: mp 103-105 °C; IR (KBr) 1691, 1647, and 1529 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.16, 8.11 (s, 1 H), 8.07 (dd, J = 8.0 and 1.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.7 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.4 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.5, 6.0 (s, 1 H), 5.7, 5.55 (s and d respectively, J = 2.7 Hz, 1 H), 4.1 (dq, J = 6.9 and 1.0 Hz, 2 H), 3.85, 3.7 (s, 3 H), 2.4, 2.3 (s, 3 H), 1.2 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 166.25, 150.6 (159), 148.2, 148.1, 146.3 (146.9), 133.4 (132.8), 122.1 (122.6), 121.8 (121.6), 100.1 (102.6), 59.8 (59.75), 58.5 (54.9), 53.8 (54.3), 18.6 (22.8); the values in parenthesis indicate the signals due to the minor 3,4dihydropyrimidine tautomer. Anal. Calcd for C₁₅H₁₇N₃O₅: C, 56.40; H, 5.37; N, 13.16. Found: C, 56.52; H, 5.35; N, 13.03.

1,4-Dihydro-2-methoxy-6-methyl-4-(2-nitrophenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic Acid Ethyl Ester (10b). This compound, prepared in 78% yield by the same procedure as described for 10c, was obtained as a yellow gum: IR (KBr) 1710, 1675, and 1625 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.87 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.7-7.3 (m, 3 H), 3.9 (m, 2 H), 3.82, 3.64 (s, 3 H), 2.5, 2.36 (s, 3 H), 1.05, 0.95 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 165.7, 160.7, 157.0 (149.7), 147.9 (139.8), 138.0, 134.1 (132.24), 129.8, 128.9, 128.6, 124.2, 123.8, 101.1 (99.2) (59.7), 59.5, 54.2 (54.1) (53.73), 50.1, 23.3 (18.5) (14.03), 13.9; the values in parentheses indicate the signals due to the minor 3,4-dihydropyrimidine tautomer. Anal. Calcd for C₁₅H₁₇N₃O₅: C, 56.42; H, 5.39; N, 13.16. Found: C, 56.21; H, 5.44; N, 12.84.

4-Cyclohexyl-1,4-dihydro-2-methoxy-6-methyl-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic Acid Ethyl Ester (10d). This compound, prepared in 79% yield by the same method as described for 10c, was obtained as a colorless foam; IR (KBr) 1693, 1530 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 6.1, 5.2 (s, 1 H), 4.43 (d, J = 4.2 Hz, 0.6 H), 4.25 (t, J = 3.67 Hz, 0.4 H), 4.15 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 3.8, 3.75 (s, 3 H), 2.3, 2.25 (s, 3 H), 1.8–0.9 (complex m, 11 H), 1.25 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 167.45 (167.36), 158.27 (158.16), 150.12 (145.4), 102.25 (100.2), 59.5 (56.05), 59.4, 54.0 (53.45), 45.6 (44.8), 28.9 (28.23), 27.34 (26.58), 26.33, 26.22, 25.9, 23.4 (18.43), 14.30; the values in parentheses indicate the signals due to the minor 3,4-dihydropyrimidine tautomer; mass spectrum (CI), m/z 281.

3,6-Dihydro-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-2-thioxo-1,5-(2H)-pyrimidinedicarboxylic Acid Bis(ethyl ester) (1a). The solution of 1,4-dihydro-2-[[(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl]thio]-6methyl-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (9a) (3.0 g, 6.8 mmol) in dichloromethane (15 mL) and pyridine (1.5 mL) was treated with ethyl chloroformate (0.87 mL, 8.84 mmol) at 0 °C under argon. After the addition was finished, the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 2 h and then diluted with more dichloromethane. The resulting solution was washed with 1 N hydrochloric acid, water, sodium bicarbonate, and brine. After drying over magnesium sulfate, the solvent was evaporated to yield a light yellow oil (3.4 g). This was dissolved in dichloromethane (20 mL) and treated with trifluoroacetic acid (2.0 mL) and ethanethiol (1.0 mL). The reaction was stirred at room temperature overnight, and the solvent was evaporated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (3% ethyl acetate in dichloromethane), and the product was crystallized from ether-hexanes to yield 3,6-dihydro-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-2-thioxo-1,5(2H)-pyrimidinedicarboxylic acid bis(ethyl ester) (1a) as a light yellow solid (2.2 g): IR (KBr) 1763, 1713, 1619, 1660 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.6 (s, 1 H), 8.21 (s, 1 H), 8.14 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.7 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.5 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 6.4 (s, 1 H), 4.4 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 2 H), 4.25 (q, J = 7.4 Hz, 2 H), 2.4 (s, 3 H), 1.4 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 1.3 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 176.2, 164.7, 153.8, 148.5, 143.6, 141.4, 132.6, 129.8, 123.2, 121.8, 106.4, 64.7, 61.2, 56.1, 17.7, 14.2, 14.0. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₁₉N₃O₆S: C, 51.90; H, 4.87; N, 10.68; S, 8.15. Found: C, 51.73; H, 4.80; N, 10.44; S, 7.93.

3,6-Dihydro-4-methyl-6-[2-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2thioxo-1,5(2H)-pyrimidinedicarboxylic Acid Bis(ethyl ester) (1b). This compound was prepared from 1,4-dihydro-2-[[(4methoxyphenyl)methyl]thio]-6-methyl-4-[2-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (9b) in a manner as described for 1a: IR (KBr) 1716, 1646, 1305, 1233, 1217 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.7 (s, 1 H), 7.3–7.8 (m, 4 H), 6.6 (s, 1 H), 4.3 (q, J = 6.5 Hz, 2 H), 4.1 (q, J = 6.5 Hz, 2 H), 2.42 (s, 3 H), 1.3 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2 H), 4.1 (q, J = 6.5 Hz, 2 H), 2.42 (s, 3 H), 1.3 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 3 H), 1.16 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 175.0, 164.3, 152.7, 142.5, 138.3, 132.7, 129.1, 128.8, 127.8, 126.9, 106.2, 64.6, 60.6, 54.0, 17.5, 13.8, 13.6. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₁₉F₃N₂O₄S: C, 51.91; H, 4.59; N, 6.72; F, 13.68; S, 7.69. Found: C, 51.94; H, 4.53; N, 6.72; F, 13.40; S, 7.82.

3,6-Dihydro-4-methyl-2-thioxo-6-[2-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1,5(2H)-pyrimidinedicarboxylic Acid 5-Ethyl 1-[1-(Phenylmethyl)-4-piperidinyl] Diester Monohydrochloride (1c). A solution of 1,4-dihydro-2-[[(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl]thio]-6-methyl-4-[2-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-5pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (9b) (4.8 g, 103 mmol) in acetonitrile (100 mL) and pyridine (60 mL) at room temperature under argon was treated dropwise with phosgene (16 mL of 12.5% solution in toluene). After stirring for 6 h, the reaction mixture was treated with a solution of 1-benzyl-4-hydroxypiperidine hydrochloride in acetonitrile (9.1 g, 0.04M) and allowed to stir at room temperature for 16 h. Water (10 mL) was added, and solvent was evaporated in vacuo. The oily residue in ethyl acetate was washed with 1 N hydrochloric acid, water, sodium bicarbonate, and brine. The dried (magnesium sulfate) organic solution was concentrated in vacuo to give a dark oil (6.4 g). This was dissolve in dichloromethane (100 mL) and treated with trifluoroacetic acid (3.6 mL) and ethanethiol (1.8 mL) and stirred at room temperature for 6 h. Volatiles were evaporated, and the residue, dissolved in ethyl acetate, was washed with sodium bicarbonate and brine, dried (magnesium sulfate), and concentrated in vacuo. The resulting dark oil was converted to its hydrochloride salt and crystallized from acetonitrile to give 3,6-dihydro-4-methyl-2thioxo-6-[2-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1,5(2H)-pyrimidinedicarboxylic acid 5-ethyl 1-[1-(phenylmethyl)-4-piperidinyl] diester monohydrochloride (1c) (3.7 g) as a yellow solid: IR (KBr) 1713, 1644, 1503, 1454, 1233 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 11.6, 11.7 (2 s, 1 H), 10.7, 10.9 (2 br s, 1 H), 7.3-7.8 (m, 9 H), 6.44, 6.55 (2 s, 1 H), 4.87, 5.03 (2 br s, 1 H), 4.24 (m, 2 H), 4.0 (q, J = 6.0 Hz, 2 H), 2.8-3.4 (m, 4 H), 2.38 (s, 3 H), 1.8-2.3 (m, 4 H), 1.06 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (free base) (CDCl₃) δ 174.7, 164.2, 152.2, 142.7, 138.2, 132.5, 129.1, 128.8, 127.9, 126.7, 105.7, 75.3, 62.6, 60.4, 53.9, 50.0, 29.9, 17.3, 13.7. Anal. Calcd for C₂₈H₃₀F₃N₃O₄S·HCl: C, 56.23; H, 5.22; N, 7.02; Cl, 5.92; S, 5.36. Found: C, 56.35; H, 5.21; N, 7.47; Cl, 6.01; S, 5.36.

1,2,3,4-Tetrahydro-6-methyl-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-3-(1-oxopropyl)-2-thioxo-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic Acid Methyl Ester (1d). A solution of 1,4-dihydro-2-[[(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl]-thio]-6-methyl-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid methyl ester (9c) (1.52 g, 3.5 mmol) in dichloromethane (15 mL) was cooled under argon to 0-5 °C and treated with pyridine (0.55 g, 7.0 mmol) and propionyl chloride (0.43 g, 4.7 mmol). The mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 3 h, diluted with ether, and washed with 1 N hydrochloric acid, water, sodium bicarbonate, and brine. The dried (magnesium sulfate) solution was concentrated in vacuo to give a viscous oil (1.6 g). This material was deprotected (as described for 1a), and the product was crystallized from isopropyl ether to give 1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-6-methyl-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-3-(1-oxopropyl)-2-thioxo-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid methyl ester (1d) (0.95 g) as a pale yellow

powder: IR (KBr) 1711, 1670, 1644, 1533, 1503, 1391, 1368, 1352 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.24 (s, 1 H), 8.14 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 1 H), 8.13 (s, 1 H), 7.68 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.5 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.69 (s, 1 H), 3.81 (s, 3 H), 3.4–3.6 (m, 1 H), 2.85–3.05 (m, 1 H), 2.48 (s, 3 H), 1.26 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 177.9, 165.3, 145.3, 140.8, 132.7, 129.3, 122.5, 121.2, 106.0, 53.0, 51.3, 32.2, 16.1, 9.5. Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₁₇N₃O₅S: C, 52.88; H, 4.72; N, 11.56; S, 8.82. Found: C, 52.83; H, 4.74; N, 11.45; S, 8.71.

1-[(Dimethylamino)carbonyl]-1,2,3,6-tetrahydro-4methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-2-thioxo-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic Acid Ethyl Ester (1e). A solution of 1,4-dihydro-2-[[(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl]thio]-6-methyl-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (9a) (0.5 g, 11 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (10 mL) and pyridine (1 mL) under argon at 0-5 °C was treated with phosgene (1.16 mL of 12.5% sol in toluene). After 0.5 h, dimethylamine (1 mL of 40% aqueous solution) was added, and the reaction continued for 0.5 h, after which the mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate and washed with 1 N hydrochloric acid, water, and brine. The dried (magnesium sulfate) organic fraction was concentrated in vacuo to give an oil (0.6 g). This material was deprotected (as described for 1a), and the product was triturated with isopropyl ether to give 1-[(dimethylamino)carbonyl]-1,2,3,6-tetrahydro-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-2-thioxo-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (1e) as an off-white powder: IR (KBr) 1711, 1674, 1532, 1383, 1220, 1091 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.4-8.3 (m, 5 H), 5.75, 6.05 (2 s, 1 H), 3.99, 4.28 (2 q, J = 6.0 Hz, 2 H), 3.06, 2.9 (2 s, 6 H), 2.33, 2.42, 2.45 (3 s, 2.42)(4 H), 1.05, 1.35 (2 t, J = 6.0 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 174.7, 164.5, 154.7, 148.0, 144.5, 143.0, 132.7, 129.3, 122.6, 121.6, 104.3, 60.9, 57.8, 38.0, 36.5, 17.7, 13.9. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₂₀N₄O₅S: C, 52.03; H, 5.14; N, 14.28; S, 8.17. Found: C, 52.01; H, 5.19; N, 14.23: S. 7.93.

1-[[(Dimethylamino)thioxo]methyl]-1,2,3,6-tetrahydro-4methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-2-thioxo-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic Acid Ethyl Ester (1f). This compound was prepared from 1,4-dihydro-2-[[(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl]thio]-6-methyl-4-(3nitrophenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (9a) in a manner as described for 1e except that phosgene was replaced with thiophosgene. Following deprotection (as described for 1a), the residue was flash chromatographed on silica gel, eluting with ethyl acetate/hexane (3:7). Trituration with isopropyl ether afforded 1-[[(dimethylamino)thioxo]methyl]-1,2,3,6-tetrahydro-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-2-thioxo-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (1f) (0.5 g) as an off-white powder: IR (KBr) 1720, 1660, 1530, 1511, 1351, 1230 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (DMSO-d_g) δ 8.15-8.30 (m, 1 H), 8.11, 7.99 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, s, 1 H), 7.55-7.8 (m, 2 H), 5.81,6.24 (2 s, 1 H), 3.8-4.0, 4.05-4.3 (2 m, 2 H), 3.31, 3.35 (2 s, 3 H), 3.14, 3.18 (2 s, 3 H), 2.41, 2.43 (2 s, 3 H), 0.92, 1.26 (2 t, J = 6.0)Hz, 3 H); $^{13}\mathrm{C}$ NMR (DMSO- $d_6) \ \delta$ 183.7, 179.9, 173.8, 170.1, 164.5, 164.1, 148.3, 147.8, 144.5, 142.9, 142.1, 134.1, 132.9, 129.8, 129.0, 123.6, 122.5, 121.8, 104.5, 101.4, 63.5, 61.0, 60.3, 43.4, 42.0, 17.8, 14.0, 13.7. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₂₀N₄O₄S₂: C, 49.88; H, 4.94; N, 13.72; S, 15.70. Found: C, 50.17; H, 4.98; N, 13.64, S, 15.72.

1,2,3,4-Tetrahydro-6-methyl-3-(methylsulfonyl)-4-(3nitrophenyl)-2-thioxo-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic Acid Ethyl Ester (1g). A solution of 1,4-dihydro-2-[[(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl]thio]-6-methyl-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (9a) (2.0 g, 4.5 mmol) in dichloromethane (15 mL) and pyridine (0.72 mL) under argon at -10 °C was treated dropwise with a solution of methanesulfonyl chloride (0.62 g, 5.4 m)mmol) in dichloromethane (5 mL). After the mixture was stirred at room temperature overnight, additional dichloromethane was added, and the mixture was washed with water, 1 N hydrochloric acid, and brine. The dried (magnesium sulfate) solution was concentrated in vacuo, and the residue flash was chromatographed (dichloromethane) to give an oil (2.0 g). This was deprotected (as described for 1a) to give 1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-6-methyl-3-(methylsulfonyl)-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-2-thioxo-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (1g) as a colorless solid (1.05 g): IR (KBr) 1724, 1530, 1507, 1352, 1245, 1221, 1162 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 11.75 (s, 1 H), 8.15-8.25 (m, 1 H), 8.07 (s, 1 H), 7.65-7.8 (m, 2 H), 6.55 (s, 1 H), 4.05-4.25 (m, 2 H), 3.62 (s, 3 H), 2.37 (s, 3 H), 1.23 $(t, J = 7.0 \text{ Hz}, 3 \text{ H}); {}^{13}\text{C} \text{ NMR} (\text{DMSO-}d_6) \delta 175.2, 164.1, 148.0,$ 145.0, 141.2, 132.6, 130.8, 123.4, 120.7, 105.3, 60.5, 55.5, 43.0, 16.5, 13.8. Anal. Calcd for C₁₅H₁₇N₃O₆S₂: C, 45.10; H, 4.28; N, 10.51; S, 16.05. Found: C, 45.03; H, 4.17; N, 10.42; S, 16.04.

1,2,3,6-Tetrahydro-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-1-propyl-2-thioxo-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic Acid Ethyl Ester (1h). A solution of 1,4-dihydro-2-[[(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl]thio]-6methyl-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ether ester (9a) (1.11 g, 2.5 mmol) in dimethylformamide (8 mL) under argon at room temperature was treated with 1-bromopropane (0.5 mL, 5.4 mmol) and powdered potassium carbonate (0.69 g, 5.0 mmol) and stirred at 80 °C overnight. The reaction was diluted with ethyl acetate and washed with water and brine. The dried (magnesium sulfate) solution was concentrated to give a brown oil (1.25 g). Flash chromatography on LPS-1 silica gel and elution with ethyl acetate/hexanes (1:10) gave 1,6-dihydro-2-[[(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl]thio]-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-1-propyl-5pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (15h) (1.01 g, 83%) as an oil: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.15 (s, 1 H), 8.1 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.65 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.45 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.3 (d, J =8.1 Hz, 2 H), 6.8 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2 H), 5.45 (s, 1 H), 4.4 (AB q, J = 11.0 Hz, 2 H), 4.15 (m, 2 H), 3.8 (s, 3 H), 3.45 (m, 1 H), 3.1 (m, 1 H), 2.4 (s, 3 H), 1.55 (m, 2 H), 1.3 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3 H), 0.9 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 166.2, 161.9, 158.7, 155.3, 148.1, 144.9, 132.7, 130.5, 130.1, 129.80, 129.5, 128.9, 122.6, 121.5, 113.7, 103.2, 59.9, 59.7, 55.0, 51.7, 35.2, 22.9, 21.3, 14.13, 10.8. Further elution of the column provided the more polar component, 1,4-dihydro-2-[[(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl]thio]-6-methyl-4-(3nitrophenyl)-1-propyl-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (17a) (0.18 g, 15%) as an oil: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.15 (s, 1 H), 8.05 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.60 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.40 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 Hz), 7.40 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 Hz), 7.40 (t, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.40 (t, JHz, 1 H), 7.2 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2 H), 6.75 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2 H), 5.85 (s, 1 H), 4.25-4.15 (m, 4 H), 3.8 (s, 3 H), 3.6 (m, 2 H), 2.45 (s, 3 H), 1.45 (m, 2 H), 1.25 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3 H), 0.85 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 166.5, 158.6, 154.3, 148.4, 148.0, 146.5, 132.8, 130.0, 128.7, 121.5, 113.6, 102.3, 59.9, 57.6, 55.0, 47.0, 35.9, 23.8, 15.2, 14.1, 10.5.

The 1,6-dihydro-2-[[(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl]thio]-4methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-1-propyl-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (15h) (1.0 g, 2.0 mmol) was deprotected (trifluoroacetic acid, ethanethiol), and the residue, after workup, was crystallized from isopropyl ether to yield 1,2,3,6-tetrahydro-4-methyl-6-(3nitrophenyl)-1-propyl-2-thioxo-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (1h) (0.65 g): IR (KBr) 1653, 1528, 1461, 1382, 1374, 1349, 1254, 1130 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.10–8.25 (m, 2 H), 8.0 (s, 1 H), 7.64 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.52 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 5.6 (s, 1 H), 4.1–4.5 (m, 3 H), 3.05–3.3 (m, 1 H), 2.34 (s, 3 H), 1.6–1.9 (m, 2 H), 1.31 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.93 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 175.1, 164.9, 148.1, 144.0, 143.1, 132.5, 129.9, 122.9, 121.8, 101.4, 60.5, 59.9, 53.8, 19.8, 17.8, 14.0, 10.8. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₂₁N₃O₄S: C, 56.18; H, 5.83; N, 11.56; S, 8.82. Found: C, 56.51; H, 5.79; N, 11.40; S, 8.78.

1,2,3,6-Tetrahydro-4-methyl-1-propyl-2-thioxo-6-[2-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic Acid Ethyl Ester (1i) and 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydro-6-methyl-1-propyl-2-thioxo-4-[2-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic Acid Ethyl Ester (19b). A solution of 1,4-dihydro-2-[[(4methoxyphenyl)methyl]thio]-6-methyl-4-[2-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (9b) (2.0 g, 4.3 mmol) in dimethylformamide (8 mL) under argon at room temperature was treated with 1-bromopropane (1.0 mL, 1.35 g, 10.9 mmol) and powdered potassium carbonate (1.18 g, 8.6 mmol) and stirred at 70 °C overnight. The reaction mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate and washed with water and brine. The dried (magnesium sulfate) solution was concentrated in vacuo to give a tan oil (2.27 g). Flash chromatography on silica gel and elution with ethyl acetate/hexane (1:10) gave 1,6-dihydro-2-[[(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl]thio]-4-methyl-6-[2-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1-propyl-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester 15i (1.02 g) as a thick oil. Further elution with the same solvent system provided the more polar component, 1,4-dihydro-2-[[(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl]thio]-6-methyl-4-[2-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1-propyl-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (17b) (0.88 g), also an oil.

The 1,6-dihydro-2-[[(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl]thio]-4methyl-6-[2-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1-propyl-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (15i) (1.02 g, 0.002 mol) was deprotected with trifluoroacetic acid and ethanethiol, and the resulting oil after workup was crystallized from isopropyl ether/hexane and then from dichloromethane/hexane to give 1,2,3,6-tetrahydro-4methyl-1-propyl-2-thioxo-6-[2-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-5-pyrimidine carboxylic acid ethyl ester (1i) as an off-white powder (0.57 g): IR (KBr) 1716, 1651, 1549, 1479, 1307, 1220 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.84 (s, 1 H), 7.67 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.63 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1 H), 5.98 (s, 1 H), 3.95–4.3 (m, 3 H), 3.05–3.25 (m, 1 H), 2.38 (s, 3 H), 1.45–1.85 (m, 2 H), 1.15 (s, 3 H), 0.1 (s, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 174.4, 164.8, 142.8, 140.8, 133.1, 130.1, 128.6, 126.4 (d, J = 5 Hz), 102.8, 60.1, 55.8 (d, J = 3 Hz), 52.6, 19.3, 17.6, 13.8, 10.6. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₁F₃N₂O₂S: C, 55.95; H, 5.48; N, 7.25, F, 14.75; S, 8.30. Found: C, 56.17; H, 5.56; N, 7.21; F, 14.97; S, 8.47.

1,4-Dihydro-2-[[(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl]thio]-6-methyl-4-[2-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1-propyl-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester 17b (0.8 g, 0.0016 mol) was similarly deprotected and the oily residue (0.8 g) was flash chromatographed on 300 mL of LSP-1 silica gel and eluted with dichloromethane/hexane to give an oil that slowly solidified to yield 1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-6methyl-1-propyl-2-thioxo-4-[2-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (19b) (0.41 g, 21% from 9b): mp 127-129.5 °C; IR (KBr) 1706, 1636, 1404, 1313, 1200, 1157, 1118 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.69 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1 H), 7.54 (t, J = 8 Hz, 1 H), 7.42 (t, J = 8 Hz, 1 H), 7.35 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1 H), 6.96 (br s, 1 H), 5.75 (d, J = 3 Hz, 1 H), 4.54-4.74 (m, 1 H), 3.98-4.10 (m, 3 H), 2.70 (s, 3 H), 1.60-1.95 (m, 2 H), 0.98 (t, J = 7 Hz, 6 H); 13 C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 177.7, 164.7, 147.3, 139.0, 132.7, 128.2, 128.1, 126.2 (d, J = 6 Hz), 105.5, 60.2, 49.7, 22.4, 16.0, 13.4, 10.7. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₁F₃N₂O₂S: C, 55.95; H, 5.48; N, 7.25; S, 8.30. Found: C, 55.99; H, 5.44; N, 7.19; S, 8.07.

3,6-Dihydro-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-2-oxo-1,5(2H)pyrimidinedicarboxylic Acid Bis(ethyl ester) (2a). The solution of 1,4-dihydro-2-methoxy-6-methyl-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-5pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (10a) (1.5 g, 4.7 mmol) in dichloromethane (15 mL) and pyridine (0.4 mL) was cooled to 0 °C and treated with ethyl chloroformate (540 mg, 4.8 mmol). After the addition, the cooling bath was removed, and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 30 min. The solvent was removed, and the residue was dissolved in methanol (10 mL) and treated with 2 N hydrochloric acid (2 mL). After 30 min at room temperature, the solvent was removed, and the residue in ethyl acetate was washed with sodium bicarbonate and brine. It was dried over magnesium sulfate and evaporated. The residue was crystallized from isopropyl ether-hexanes to yield 3.6-dihydro-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-2-oxo-1,5(2H)-pyrimidinedicarboxylic acid bis(ethyl ester) (2a) (1.64 g): IR (KBr) 1732, 1710, 1645 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.22 (s, 1 H), 8.14 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 8.1 (br s, 1 H), 7.73 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.49 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 6.4 (s, 1 H), 4.34 (dq, J = 7.4 and 2.6 Hz, 2 H), 4.2 (dq, J = 7.4and 4.75 Hz, 2 H), 2.42 (s, 3 H), 1.35 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H), 1.27 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 164.6, 152.8, 150.2, 148.3, 146.6, 142.1, 132.7, 129.6, 123.0, 121.9, 103.9, 64.0, 60.7, 55.9, 17.7, 14.1, 14.0. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₁₉N₃O₇: C, 54.11; H, 5.08; N, 11.14. Found: C, 54.10; H, 5.06; N, 10.93.

3,6-Dihydro-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-2-oxo-1,5-pyrimidinedicarboxylic Acid 1-(1,1-Dimethylethyl) 5-Ethyl Diester (2b). A solution of 1,4-dihydro-2-methoxy-6-methyl-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (10a) (960 mg, 3.0 mmol) and 4-(dimethylamino)pyridine (36 mg, 0.3 mmol) in acetonitrile (6.0 ml) was treated with di-tert-butyl dicarbonate (0.75 mL, 3.6 mmol), and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The reaction was evaporated, and the residue was hydrolyzed in a manner as described for 2a. The product was purified by flash chromatography (ethyl acetate/hexanes, 1:1) and crystallized from dichloromethane-isopropyl ether to provide 3,6-dihydro-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-2-oxo-1,5-pyrimidinedicarboxylic acid 1-(1,1-dimethylethyl) 5-ethyl diester (2b) (792 mg): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.79 (br s, 1 H), 8.24 (s, 1 H), 9.14 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1 H), 7.7 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1 H), 7.5 (m, 1 H), 6.33 (s, 1 H), 4.2 (m, 2 H), 2.4 (s, 3 H), 1.53 (s, 3 H), 1.3 (s, J = 7 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR $(CDCl_3)$ δ 164.8, 151.2, 150.7, 148.3, 146.7, 142.6, 132.7, 129.6, 123.0, 122.0, 103.9, 84.5, 60.7, 55.7, 28.0, 17.9, 14.2. Anal. Calcd for C19H23N3O7: C, 56.29; H, 5.72; N, 10.36. Found: C, 56.36; H, 5.62; N, 10.03.

3,6-Dihydro-4-methyl-2-oxo-6-(2-nitrophenyl)-1,5(2H)pyrimidinedicarboxylic Acid Bis(ethyl ester) (2c). This compound was prepared from 1,4-dihydro-2-methoxy-6methyl-4-(2-nitrophenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (10b) by the same procedure as described for 2a. The product was crystallized from dichloromethane-isopropyl ether to yield a light yellow solid: IR (KBr) 1728, 1712, and 1643 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.8 (s, 1 H), 7.83 (dd, J = 8.0 and 1.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.62–7.52 (m, 2 H), 7.43 (dt, J = 8.5 and 2.1 Hz, 1 H), 7.0 (s, 1 H), 4.35–4.0 (m, 4 H), 2.4 (s, 1 H), 1.3 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1.2 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 164.5, 152.4, 150.3, 148.5, 145.7, 134.9, 133.3, 128.7, 124.9, 104.1, 64.0, 60.7, 52.0, 17.9, 14.0. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₁₉N₃O₇: C, 54.11; H, 5.08; N, 11.14. Found: C, 54.00; H, 5.09; N, 11.08.

1,2,3,4-Tetrahydro-6-methyl-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-2-oxo-3-(1oxopropyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic Acid Ethyl Ester (2d). The solution of 1,4-dihydro-2-methoxy-6-methyl-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (10a) (750 mg, 2.35 mmol) in dichloromethane (5.0 mL) and pyridine (0.6 mL) was cooled to -20 °C under argon and treated with propionyl chloride (0.26 mL, 2.82 mmol). The reaction was allowed to stir for 2 h and evaporated. The resulting solid was hydrolyzed with 5 N hydrochloric acid (6.0 mL) in a manner as described for 2a. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (ethyl acetate/hexanes, 1:3), and the product was crystallized from dichloromethane-isopropyl ether to yield a colorless solid 2d (567 mg): IR (KBr) 1782, 1706, and 1536 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.2-8.1 (m, 2 H), 7.95 (br s, 1 H), 7.7 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1 H), 7.5 (m, 1 H), 6.6 (s, 1 H), 4.2 (dq, J = 2 and 7 Hz, 2 H), 3.2–2.7 (m, 2 H), 2.45 (s, 3 H), 1.3, 1.17 (t, J = 7 Hz, 3 H each); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 175.5, 164.5, 151.6, 148.5, 146.0, 142.3, 133.4, 129.6, 123.1, 121.9, 104.6, 60.8, 53.5, 31.9, 18.0, 14.2, 9.1. Anal. Cacld for $C_{17}H_{19}N_3O_6$: C, 56.50; H, 5.30; N, 11.63. Found: C, 56.59; H, 5.25; N, 11.57.

1-[(Dimethylamino)carbonyl]-1,2,3,6-tetrahydro-4methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-2-oxo-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic Acid 1-Methylethyl Ester (2e). A solution of 1,4-dihydro-2-methoxy-6-methyl-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid 1methylethyl ester (10c) (3.34 g, 10.0 mmol) and triethylamine (6.3 mL) in dichloromethane (10 mL) was cooled to 0 °C under argon and treated slowly with 1.3 M phosgene solution in benzene (9.2 mL, 12.0 mmol). After stirring at 0 °C for 1.5 h, the reaction was treated with 40% aqueous dimethylamine (3.3 mL, 15 mmol). The cooling bath was removed, and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 16 h. It was evaporated, and the residue in methanol (15 mL) and tetrahydrofuran (15 mL) was hydrolyzed with hydrochloric acid by the same procedure as described for 2a. The product was crystallized from dichloromethane-isopropyl ether to provide a colorless solid 2e (1.55 g): IR (KBr) 1708, 1643, 1530 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CD₃OD) δ 8.2 (s, 1 H), 8.13 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.75 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.6 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.8 (s, 1 H), 4.95 (m, 1 H), 2.85 (s, 6 H), 2.35 (s, 3 H), 1.25, 1.1 (d, J =6.3 Hz, 3 H each); 13 C NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 163.9, 154.6, 149.5, 148.1, 147.5, 144.4, 132.8, 129.9, 122.3, 121.0, 67.2, 56.7, 38.5, 21.6, 21.4, 17.3. Anal. Calcd for $C_{18}H_{22}N_4O_6$: C, 55.38; H, 5.68; N, 14.35. Found: C, 55.44; H, 5.70; N, 14.27

1,2,3,4-Tetrahydro-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-2-oxo-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic Acid Ethyl Ester (2f). A solution of 1,4-dihydro-2-methoxy-6-methyl-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (10a) (3.19 g, 10 mmol) and triethylamine (4.2 mL) in dichloromethane (20 mL) was cooled to 0 °C under argon and treated with benzensulfonyl chloride (1.5 mL, 12.0 mmol). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 24 h, and the product was hydrolyzed to provide 1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-2-oxo-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (2f) (1.8 g): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.35 (br s, 1 H), 8.15 (m, 2 H), 7.7 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1 H), 7.65–7.25 (m, 6 H), 6.6 (s, 1 H), 4.2 (dq, J = 7 and 2 Hz, 2 H), 2.35 (s, 3 H), 1.3 (t, J = 7 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 164.1, 150.0, 148.3, 145.9, 142.3, 138.2, 134.1, 133.4, 129.8, 128.9, 128.5, 123.3, 104.3, 61.0, 57.8, 18.1, 14.2. Anal. Calcd for C₂₀H₁₉N₃O₇S: C, 53.93; H, 4.30; N, 9.43; S, 7.20. Found: C, 53.71; H, 4.19; N, 9.27; S, 7.13.

1-(Aminocarbonyl)-1,2,3,6-tetrahydro-4-methyl-6-(3nitrophenyl)-2-oxo-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic Acid 1-Methylethyl Ester (2g). (a) A solution of 1,4-dihydro-2-methoxy-6methyl-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid 1methylethyl ester (10c) (15.5 g, 46.5 mmol) in dichloromethane (100 mL) and pyridine (20 mL) was cooled to 0 °C under argon and was treated dropwise with a solution of 4-nitrophenyl chloroformate (10.5 g, 52.0 mmol) in dichloromethane (40 mL). After the addition was finished, the cooling bath was removed and the reaction was allowed to stir at room temperature for 2 h. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the resulting solid was suspended in tetrahydrofuran (75 mL) and methanol (75 mL) and treated with 2.5 N hydrochloric acid until pH \sim 2.0. The reaction was allowed to stir at room temperature overnight (became a homogeneous light yellow solution), and most of the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was diluted with water and extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined extracts were washed with water, 5% sodium carbonate, and brine. After drying over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, the solvent was evaporated, and the residue was passed through a short column of silica gel (10% ethyl acetate in dichloromethane). The product was crystallized from dichloromethane-isopropyl ether to provide 3,6-dihydro-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-2-oxo-1,5(2H)-pyrimidinedicarboxylic acid 5-(1-methylethyl) 1-(4nitrophenyl)diester (21) (16.61 g, 73.6%): mp 118-120 °C; IR (KBr) 1740, 1730, 1710, 1660, 1650, 1530, 1520 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR $(CDCl_3) \delta 8.28 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2 H), 8.26 (s, 1 H), 8.18 (d, J = 7.9$ Hz, 1 H), 8.0 (s, 1 H), 7.78 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2 H), 7.54 (t, J = 7.9Hz, 2 H), 7.38 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2 H), 6.43 (s, 2 H), 5.1 (m, 1 H), 2.45 (s, 3 H), 1.30, 1.20 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 3 H each); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 163.8, 154.8, 150.9, 149.1, 148.5, 145.7, 141.3, 133.1, 129.9, 125.3, 122.2, 121.9, 104.9, 68.9, 56.8, 21.9, 21.8, 18.0. Anal. Calcd for $C_{22}H_{20}N_4O_9$: C, 54.54; H, 4.16; N, 11.57. Found: C, 54.24; H, 3.97; N, 11.46.

(b) The solution of 3,6-dihydro-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-2oxo-1,5(2H)-pyrimidinedicarboxylic acid 5-(1-methylethyl) 1-(4nitrophenyl) diester (21) (3.0 g, 6.43 mmol) in acetonitrile (10 mL) was treated with excess ammonia at room temperature. The reaction turned yellow instantaneously. After 30 min at room temperature, the solvent was evaporated, and the residue in ethyl acetate was washed with water, 5% potassium carbonate, and brine. After drying over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, the solvent was evaporated and the residue was crystallized from ether to yield 1-(aminocarbonyl)-1,2,3,6-tetrahydro-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-2-oxo-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid 1-methylethyl ester (2g) (2.03 g) as a coloress solid: IR (KBr) 1648, 1716 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃ + DMSO- d_6) δ 9.75 (s, 1 H), 8.5 (br s, 1 H), 8.2 (s, 1 H), 8.10 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.72 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.48 (t, J = 7.91 Hz, 1 H), 6.7 (s, 1 H), 6.4 (br s, 1 H), 5.05 (qn, J =6.3 Hz, 1 H), 2.4 (s, 3 H), 1.29 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 3 H), 1.16 (d, J =6.3 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃ + DMSO-d₆) δ 163.8, 153.5, 152.4, 148.0, 146.7, 143.3, 132.63, 128.8, 122.00, 121.5, 102.5, 67.3, 52.64, 21.4, 21.2, 16.95. Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C_{16}H_{18}N_4O_6:}$ C, 53.04; H, 50.1; N, 15.46. Found: C, 52.78; H, 4.90; N, 15.24.

3,6-Dihydro-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-2-oxo-1,5(2H)pyrimidinedicarboxylic Acid 5-(1-Methylethyl) 1-[(S)-1-Methyl-2-[methyl(phenylmethyl)amino]ethyl] Diester Monohydrochloride (2h). A mixture of 3,6-dihydro-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-2-oxo-1,5(2H)-pyrimidinedicarboxylic acid 5-(1methylethyl) 1-(4-nitrophenyl) diester (21) (1.27 g, 2.64 mmol) and (S)-1-methyl-2-[methyl(phenylmethyl)amino]ethyl alcohol¹² (472 mg, 2.64 mmol) in acetonitrile (3 mL) was heated at 50 °C under argon for 15 h. The solvent was evaporated, and the residue was dissolved in ethyl acetate. The resulting solution was washed with 5% potassium carbonate, water, and brine and dried over magnesium sulfate. The solvent was evaporated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (25% acetone in hexanes). The product was dissolved in ether and converted to its hydrochloride salt by treatment with ethereal hydrochloric acid. The precipitate formed was filtered to give 3,6-dihydro-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-2-oxo-1,5(2H)-pyrimidinedicarboxylic acid 5-(1methylethyl) 1-[(S)-1-methyl-2-[methyl(phenylmethyl)amino]ethyl] diester monohydrochloride (2h) (1.1 g) as a colorless solid: IR (KBr) 1779, 1730, 1532 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (free amine, CDCl₃) δ 8.2 (br s, 1 H), 8.14 (m, 1 H), 7.6 (br s, 1 H), 7.45 (m, 1 H), 7.24 (m, 5 H), 6.38, 6.36 (s, 1 H), 5.17 (m, 1 H), 5.07 (m, 1 H), 3.55 (s, 1 H), 3.50 (d, J = 2 Hz, 1 H), 2.7-2.4 (m, 2 H), 2.4, 2.38 (s, 3 H),2.24, 2.2 (s, 3 H), 1.35–1.18 (m, 9 H); ¹³C NMR (free amine, CDCl₃) δ 164.1, 152.5 (152.4), 149.6 (149.5), 148.3, 146.0 (145.9), 142.4

^{(12) (}S)-1-Methyl-2-[methyl(phenylmethyl)amino]ethyl alcohol was prepared by trimethylaluminum catalyzed reaction¹³ of N-(methylbenzyl)amine with (S)-(-)-propylene oxide.

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(142.3), 138.8, 132.8 (132.6), 129.6, 128.9 (128.8), 128.1, 126.9, 123.0, 122.1 (122.0), 104.5, 73.3 (73.2), 68.5, 62.8 (62.7), 62.0 (61.9), 56.0, 42.8 (42.7), 22.0 (21.8), 18.2, 18.1 (chemical shifts in parentheses result from diastereomeric mixture). Anal. Calcd for $C_{27}H_{32}N_4O_7$ ·HCl: C, 57.80; H, 5.93; N, 9.99; Cl, 6.32. Found: C, 57.58; H, 6.04; N, 9.77; Cl, 6.62.

1,2,3,6-Tetrahydro-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-2-oxo-1-(2propenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic Acid 1-Methylethyl Ester (2i) and 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydro-6-methyl-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-2oxo-1-(2-propenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic Acid 1-Methylethyl Ester (20). The reaction mixture containing 1,4-dihydro-2-methoxy-6-methyl-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid 1-methylethyl ester (10c) (170 mg, 0.5 mmol), allyl bromide (100 μ L), and finely ground potassium carbonate (280 mg, 2.0 mmol) in dimethylformamide (2 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 16 h. The solid was filtered off, and the filtrate was diluted with ethyl acetate and washed with water and brine. After drying over magnesium sulfate, the solvent was evaporated and the residue was purified by preparative TLC (ethyl acetate/hexanes, 40:60) to yield two products: 100 mg (A), 65 mg (B). The major product (A), on deprotection with acid, provided 1,2,3,6-tetrahydro-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrcphenyl)-2-oxo-1-(2propenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid 1-methylethyl ester (2i) (87 mg): IR (KBr) 1703, 1686, 1636, 1525, 1346 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR $(CDCl_3) \delta 8.4 (s, 1 H), 8.2 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 8.15 (dd, J = 7.9$ and 1.1 Hz, 1 H), 7.8 (dd, J = 7.4 and 1.1 Hz, 1 H), 5.2 (d, J =13.7 Hz, 1 H), 5.0 (m, 1 H), 4.55 (m, 1 H), 3.25 (dd, J = 15.3 (and 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.35 (s, 3 H), 1.25 and 1.1 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 3 H each); $^{13}\mathrm{C}$ NMR (CDCl_3) δ 164.6, 152.8, 150.7, 148.2, 147.4, 144.1, 133.3, 131.9, 129.6, 122.9, 122.6, 118.5, 67.7, 58.7, 47.1, 22.0, 21.8, 18.4. Anal. Calcd for $C_{18}H_{21}N_3O_5$: C, 60.16; H, 5.89; N, 11.69. Found: C, 60.08; H, 5.83; N, 11.65. The minor product was deprotected to provide 1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-6-methyl-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-2-oxo-1-(2-propenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid 1-methylethyl ester (20) (61 mg, 33.3%) as a colorless foam: IR (CHCl₃) 1684, 1530, 1348, 1099 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.1 (s, 1 H), 8.0 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.5 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.35 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.0 (br s, 1 H), 5.75 (m, 1 H), 5.4 (d, J = 3.7 Hz, 1 H), 5.1 (d, J =10.0 Hz, 1 H), 5.0 (d, J = 17.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.9 (m, 1 H), 4.33 (d of AB q, J = 17.4 and 4.75 Hz, 2 H), 2.46 (s, 3 H), 1.15 and 1.0 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 3 H each); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 165.0, 153.44, 149.87, 148.25, 145.66, 133.66, 132.26, 129.45, 122.53, 121.66, 116.28, 103.44, 67.9, 53.2, 44.8, 21.9, 21.6, 16.0; mass spectrum (CI), m/z (relative intensity) 360 (100), 318 (10).

6-Cyclohexyl-3,6-dihydro-4-methyl-2-oxo-1,5(2H)-pyrimidinedicarboxylic Acid Bis(ethyl ester) (2j). By use of the procedure described for 2a, 4-cyclohexyl-1,4-dihydro-2-methoxy-6-methyl-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (10d) was converted to 6-cyclohexyl-3,6-dihydro-4-methyl-2-oxo-1,5(2H)pyrimidinedicarboxylic acid bis(ethyl ester) (2j): IR (KBr) 1711, 1646 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.64 (br s, 1 H), 5.2 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1 H), 4.3 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 2 H), 4.2 (dq, J = 7 and 1.6 Hz, 2 H), 2.35 (s, 3 H), 1.66 (m, 5 H), 1.34, 1.30 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H each), 1.13 (m, 5 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 165.6, 153.2, 151.5, 145.2, 104.9, 63.3, 60.2, 57.4, 42.7, 29.2, 28.4, 26.1, 17.7, 14.2, 14.1. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₂₆N₂O₅: C, 60.34; H, 7.74; N, 8.23. Found: C, 60.29; H, 7.89; N, 8.11.

2-Amino-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-1,5(6H)-pyrimidinedicarboxylic Acid Bis(ethyl ester) (3a). The reaction mixture containing 2-methoxy-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-1,5(6H)-pyrimidinedicarboxylic acid bis(ethyl ester) (16a) (3.78 g, 9.66 mmol), obtained during the preparation of 2a, and ammonium acetate (385 mg, 5.0 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (20 mL) was cooled to 0 °C, and ammonia was bubbled through for 5 min. The flask was tightly stoppered, and the reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 72 h. Some solid precipitated out of the reaction. The solvent was removed, and the residue was dissolved in dichloromethane. The insoluble material was filtered off, and the solvent was evaporated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (30% ethyl acetate in dichloromethane) to provide 2-amino-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-1,5(6H)-pyrimidinedicarboxylic acid bis(ethyl ester) (3a) (2.03 g): IR (KBr) 1727, 1660, 1613, 1596, 1530, 1295 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.2 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1 H), 8.1 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.7 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.5 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.4 (br s, 2 H), 6.3 (s, 1 H), 4.3 (dd, J= 7.4 Hz, 3 H), 1.25 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 165.8, 156.5, 153.75, 150.5, 148.2, 148.2, 143.6, 133.0, 129.7, 123.0, 122.4, 103.7, 64.2, 60.0, 54.9, 22.2, 14.0, 14.1. Anal. Calcd for $C_{17}H_{20}N_4O_6$: C, 54.25; H, 5.36; N, 14.89. Found: C, 54.19, H, 5.19, N, 14.84.

4-Methyl-2-(methylamino)-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-1,5(6H)-pyrimidinedicarboxylic Acid Bis(ethyl ester) (3b). The solution of 2-methoxy-4-methyl-6(3-nitrophenyl)-1,5(6H)-pyrimidinedicarboxylic acid bis(ethyl ester) (16a) (3.7 g, 9.46 mmol), obtained during the preparation of 2a, in dimethylformamide (15 mL) was treated with methylamine hydrochloride (1.01 g, 15.0 mmol) and sodium acetate (1.49 g, 17 mmol), and the resulting reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. It was diluted with ethyl acetate, the solid was filtered off, and the filtrate was washed with water, sodium bicarbonate, and brine. After drying over magnesium sulfate, the solvent was evaporated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (5% ethyl acetate in dichloromethane). The product was crystallized from isopropyl ether-hexanes to yield a yellow solid 3b (1.91 g): IR (KBr) 1714, 1697, 1570, 1525, 1351, 1295, 1220 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.15 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.45 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 6.3 (s, 1 H), 4.3(m, 2 H), 4.15 (m, 2 H), 3.0 (d, J = 3.7 Hz, 3 H), 2.4 (s, 3 H), 1.35(t, J = 6.85 Hz, 3 H), 1.25 (d, J = 6.85 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 166.1, 157.7, 154.1, 149.0, 148.2, 143.5, 133.0, 129.6, 122.8, 122.2, 103.3, 63.8, 59.8, 54.6, 28.5, 23.1, 14.3, 14.1. Anal. Calcd for C18H22N4O6: C, 55.38; H, 5.68; N, 14.35. Found: C, 55.19; H, 5.59; N, 14.24

2-Amino-1,6-dihydro-4-methyl-1-[(dimethylamino)carbonyl]-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic Acid 1-Methylethyl Ester (3c). The solution of intermediate 16e (2.09 g, 5.17 mmol), obtained during the preparation of 2e, in ethanol (50 mL) was saturated at 0 °C with ammonia and heated at 75 °C in a sealed tube for 72 h. The solvent was removed, the residue was purified by flash chromatography, and the product crystallized from dichloromethane-isopropyl ether to yield 2-amino-1,6-dihydro-4-methyl-1-[(dimethylamino)carbonyl]-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid 1-methylethyl ester (3c) (810 mg): IR (KBr) 1668, 1530 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.53 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 8.4 (dd, J = 7 and 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.2 (s, 6 H), 2.6 (s, 3 H), 1.55, 1.50 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 3 H each); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 166.8, 157.9, 153.1, 149.4, 145.5, 134.3, 130.6, 123.5, 122.9, 105.4, 68.4, 56.9, 38.3, 22.6, 22.5. Anal. Calcd for $C_{18}H_{23}N_5O_5$: C, 55.52; H, 5.95; N, 17.98. Found: C, 55.35; H, 5.85; N, 17.80.

2-Amino-1,6-dihydro-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic Acid Ethyl Ester (3d). The solution of intermediate 16f (1.45 g, 3.16 mmol), obtained during the preparation of 2f, in tetrahydrofuran (20 mL) was saturated at 0 °C with ammonia. The reaction was tightly stoppered and allowed to stand at room temperature for 48 h. The solvent was evaporated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (10% methanol in dichloromethane). The product was crystallized from dichloromethane-isopropyl ether to yield 2-amino-1,6-dihydro-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (3d) (445 mg): IR (KBr) 1700, 1656, 1600 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.15 (m, 2 H), 7.8-7.3 (complex m, 7 H), 6.40 (s, 1 H), 6.2 (br s, 2 H), 4.15 $(q, J = 7.0 Hz, 2 H), 2.15 (s, 3 H), 1.24 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H); {}^{13}C$ NMR (CDCl₃) δ 165.2, 157.0, 148.5, 147.3, 141.6, 138.4, 134.2, 133.1, 129.7, 129.4, 127.0, 123.3, 121.9, 104.8, 60.3, 56.0, 21.3, 14.4. Anal. Calcd for $C_{20}H_{20}N_4O_6S$: C, 54.05; H, 4.54; N, 12.61; S, 7.21. Found: C, 54.19; H, 4.53; N, 12.73; S, 7.18.

1,2,3,6-Tetrahydro-2-imino-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-1-(2-propenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic Acid 1-Methylethyl Ester Monohydrochloride (3e). The solution of intermediate 16i (1.06 g, 2.84 mmol), obtained during the preparation of 2i, in methanol (10 mL) was cooled to 0 °C and saturated with ammonia. The reaction was treated with ammonium acetate (220 mg) and heated at 90-100 °C for 18 h. The residue, after evaporation of the solvent, was purified by flash chromatography (dichloromethane/methanol/acetic acid, 18:1:1) to yield a colorless solid, which was converted to its hydrochloride salt and crystallized from acetonitrile-ether to provide 1,2,3,6-tetrahydro-2-imino-4methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-1-(2-propenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid 1-methylethyl ester monohydrochloride (3e) (480 mg): IR (KBr) 3080, 1710, 1669, 1530 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.7 (br s, 1 H), 8.2 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 8.15 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.7 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.6 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.7 (m, 1 H), 5.44 (s, 1 H), 5.4 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.32 (d, J = 16.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.0 (m,

1 H), 4.4 (dd, J = 16.9 and 4.75 Hz, 1 H), 3.7 (dd, J = 16.4 and 6.3 Hz, 1 H), 2.5 (s, 3 H), 1.25, 1.15 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 3 H each); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 162.4, 150.4, 147.2, 143.2, 140.8, 132.2, 129.5, 128.1, 122.7, 121.4, 118.8, 101.9, 67.5, 57.8, 49.0, 20.9, 20.7, 16.9. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₂N₄O₄·HCl: C, 54.75; H, 5.87; N, 14.19; Cl, 8.98. Found: C, 54.38; H, 5.80; H, 14.00; Cl, 9.03.

2-(Acetylamino)-3,6-dihydro-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-1,5(2H)-pyrimidinedicarboxylic Acid Bis(ethyl ester) (3f). The suspension of 2-amino-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-1,5(6H)-pyrimidinedicarboxylic acid bis(ethyl ester) (3a) (550 mg, 1.46 mmol) in dichloromethane (5.0 mL) and pvridine (0.5 mL) was treated with acetic anhydride (0.3 mL), and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The reaction was diluted with water and washed with 5% citric acid, sodium bicarbonate, and brine and dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate. The solvent was evaporated, and the residue was crystallized from ether-hexanes to give 2-(acetylamino)-3,6-dihydro-4-methyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-1,5(2H)-pyrimidinedicarboxylic acid bis(ethyl ester) (3f) (530 mg): IR (KBr) 1746, 1711, 1692, 1562, 1532 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.15 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 8.1 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.7 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.5 (d, J = 7.9Hz, 1 H), 6.4 (s, 1 H), 4.35 (q, J = 7.4 Hz, 2 H), 4.2 (m, 2 H), 2.45 (s, 3 H), 2.2 (s, 3 H), 1.35 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H), 1.3 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H)3 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 164.8, 152.8, 148.3, 140.7, 133.4, 129.6, 123.3, 122.0, 109.1, 60.8, 54.2, 26.0, 20.3, 14.2, 14.1. Anal. Calcd for C₁₉H₂₂N₄O₇: C, 54.54; H, 5.30; N, 13.39. Found: C, 54.61; H, 5.40; N, 13.29.

3,6-Dihydro-4-methyl-2-[(methylsulfonyl)imino]-6-(3nitrophenyl)-1,5(2H)-pyrimidinedicarboxylic Acid Bis(ethyl ester) (3g). The suspension of 3a (600 mg, 1.6 mmol) in dichloromethane (5.0 mL) and pyridine (1.0 mL) was treated at 0 °C with methanesulfonyl chloride (0.42 mL, 5.25 mmol) and 4-(dimethylamino)pyridine (10 mg). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 16 h and diluted with ethyl acetate. The solution was washed with 1 N hydrochloric acid, sodium bicarbonate, and brine. After drying over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, the solvent was evaporated, and the residue was crystallized from ether-hexanes to yield 3,6-dihydro-4-methyl-2-[(methylsulfonyl)imino]-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-1.5(2H)-pyrimidinedicarboxylic acid bis(ethyl ester) (3g) (650 mg) as a colorless solid: IR (KBr) 1728, 1712, 1620, 1529 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 9.6 (s, 1 H), 8.2 (s, 1 H), 8.15 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.7 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.5 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 6.4 (s, 1 H), 4.35 (m, 2 H), 4.25 (m, 2 H), 3.05 (s, 3 H), 2.5 (s, 3 H), 1.4 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 1.3 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 164.1, 152.5, 148.45, 147.35, 143.8, 140.5, 132.5, 130.0, 123.4, 121.9, 107.2, 64.7, 61.23, 54.6, 42.6, 18.35, 14.15, 14.1. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₂N₄O₈S: C, 47.57; H, 4.88; N, 12.33; S, 7.05. Found: C, 47.52; H, 4.94; N, 12.17; S, 7.12.

Preparation of 1,4-Dihydro-2-[[(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl]thio]-6-methyl-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic Acid Ethyl Ester (9a) from 1,4-Dihydro-2-methoxy-6-methyl-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic Acid Ethyl Ester (10a). The reaction mixture containing 1,4-dihydro-2-methoxy-6-methyl-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (10a) (180 mg, 0.54 mmol) and 4methoxybenzyl mercaptan (0.3 mL, 2.0 mmol)) was treated with citric acid (5 mg, 0.026 mmol) and heated at 100 °C in vacuo for 8 h. Upon cooling, the reaction mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate and washed with sodium bicarbonate, water, and brine. It was dried over magnesium sulfate and evaporated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (ethyl acetate/hexanes, 1:3) to give 1,4-dihydro-2-[[(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl]thio]-6-methyl-4-(3-nitrophenyl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (9a) (103 mg, 41%), which was identical with the previously prepared material.

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