Regioselective Synthesis of 2,8-Disubstituted 4-Aminopyrido[3,2 d]pyrimidine-6-carboxylic Acid Methyl Ester Compounds

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ABSTRACT: We report herein the synthesis of 4-amino-2,8 dichloropyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine derivatives 2 and their regioselective diversification through S_NAr and metal-catalyzed cross-coupling reactions. While amination of 2 took place selectively at C-2, the regioselectivity of thiol or thiolate addition depended on the reaction conditions. Selective C-8 addition was obtained in DMF with Hünig's base and C-2 addition in ⁱPrOH. These C-2 or C-8 regioselective

thiolations provided an opportunistic way to selectively activate either of the two positions toward the metal-catalyzed crosscoupling reaction. The chloride could be efficiently substituted by Suzuki−Miyaura reaction and the sulfanyl group by Liebeskind−Srogl cross-coupling reaction, demonstrating the orthogonality of both reactive centers. The development of regioselective conditions for these different transformations yielded the synthesis of 4-amino-2,6,8-trisubstituted pyrido[3,2 d] pyrimidine derivatives, with various substituents.

ENTRODUCTION

Pyridopyrimidines are an important class of heterocycles that display a range of significant biological properties, including functioning as anticancer, antiviral, and anti-inflammatory agents. With the aim to produce biased libraries, we were particularly interested in the 4-aminopyrido $[3,2-d]$ pyrimidine heterocycle, a motif found in bioactive compounds such as phosphoinositide 3-kinase (PI_3K) , tyrosine kinase and protein kinases inhibitors, $1/2$ chemokine antagonists,³ and hepatitis C virus (HCV) replication inhibitors.⁴ To be able to modulate their biopharmace[uti](#page-8-0)cal profile and druglike [pro](#page-8-0)perties, our goal was to develop a flexible and ef[fi](#page-8-0)cient route to introduce additional specificity handles on the main core. Starting from the reported synthesis of 2,4,8-trichloropyrido[3,2-d] pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester 1, ⁵ a first amination at C-4 would leave chloride at C-2 and C-8 and ester at C-6 as additional reactive centers for further diversit[y](#page-8-0). To be of general utility, regioselective transformation of each reactive center must be achievable. We report herein the synthesis of 4-amino-2,8-dichloropyrido $[3,2-d]$ pyrimidine derivatives 2 and their regioselective diversification, using two classes of reaction, S_NAr and metal-catalyzed cross-coupling reactions.

■ RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Diverse amines were selected for the preparation of a series of 2, including primary and secondary amines and anilines. When a stoichiometric amount of the amine was added to 1 in the presence of Hü nig's base, the corresponding regioselective substitution products 2a−f were isolated in high yields (Table

1). Addition of anilines, substituted with neutral, electrondonating, or electron-withdrawing groups, indicated the high [re](#page-1-0)activity of the C-4–Cl bond toward S_N Ar (Table 1, entries 4−6). C-4 regioselectivity of this first addition was unambiguously confirmed by X-ray crystal structur[e](#page-1-0) analysis on further substituted analogues 5c and 6c. The regioselectivity of the first amination is in line with the reported C-4 addition to 2,4-dichloropyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine and additional internal investigations.⁶

To study the reactivity of the two remaining chloride at C-2 and C-8, va[rio](#page-9-0)us S_NAr and metal-catalyzed cross-coupling reactions were investigated on compounds 2b and 2c. Amination was first explored, with three different amines, butylamine and benzylamine as primary amines and diethylamine as secondary amine. Reaction of a solution of 2b or 2c in a mixture of MeCN and DMF with 5 equiv of amine at 90 °C led after 1 h to derivatives 3a−d in good yields (Table 2, entries 1−4). Excess amine did not give multiple additions but allowed complete conversion into a single regioisomer 3a−d[.](#page-1-0) As C-2 showed good reactivity toward amination, reaction with aniline was tried. A complete conversion could be achieved only in dioxane as solvent. After 48 h at reflux, derivative 3e was isolated in 72% yield (Table 2, entry 5). $\frac{7}{2}$

The regioselective amination on 2 was further probed by chloride reduction of compo[un](#page-1-0)d 3c and [3](#page-9-0)e yielding 4a and 4b, respectively (Scheme 1). The ¹H NMR spectrum of

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Table 1. S_NAr with Diverse Amines on 1 at C-4

a Reaction was performed in dioxane at reflux.

Scheme 1. Reduction of C-8 Chloride on 3c and 3e

dehalogenated products 4a and 4b consisted of a pair of doublets at δ 7.88 and 8.23 ppm and at δ 7.80 and 8.17 ppm, respectively, corresponding to H-7 and H-8, with a J^3 coupling constant of 8.7 Hz. These results conclusively proved that 3c and 3e are substituted with benzylamine or aniline at C-2, leaving a chloride substituent at position 8. In conclusion, 2 amination is highly C-2 regioselective and independent of the nature of the amine.

 S_N Ar reactions on 2,8-dichloro-4-diethylaminopyrido[3,2d]pyrimidine 2c were further studied with thiols as nucleophiles. Benzylthiol or p-thiocresol in the presence of Hünig's base or sodium methyl thiolate were added in DMF. Reactions were performed between 0 °C and room temper-

^aRatio measured on reaction mixtures. ${}^{b}1$ equiv of thiol or sodium methyl thiolate was used.

Table 4. Influence of Basic or Acidic Media, Nature of the Solvent, and Temperature on Regioisomers Formation

ature to avoid double addition, as observed at higher temperature. After 2 h at 0 $^{\circ}$ C, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature. Under these conditions and different from the above amination, two regioisomers were formed with benzylthiol and p-thiocresol as nucleophiles in ratios of 73/25 and 68/32, respectively (Table 3, entries 1 and 2). With sodium methylthiolate as nucleophile, the reaction was more selective leading to the formation of on[ly](#page-1-0) traces of the second regioisomer (3%, Table 3, entry 3). These regioisomeric ratios were accurately determined on the reaction mixtures by UHPLC-MS (Table 3). All of [t](#page-1-0)he regioisomers were isolated with overall yields ranging from 77 to 90% and fully characterized.

The regioselectivit[y](#page-1-0) of the thiol addition was assigned on the basis of the results of NOESY experiments performed on derivatives 5a/6a, 5b/6b, and 5c/6c. NOESY correlation between the benzylic protons of the thioether and H-7 for derivative 5a and between the methyl of the thioether and H-7 for derivative 5c were observed, confirming that the thiol addition takes place predominately at position 8. The structures of 5c and 6c were confirmed from X-ray crystal structure analysis. In addition, the X-ray crystal structures confirmed the first amination at C-4. No relevant information on 5b or 6b structures could be obtained from NOESY experiments. In order to attribute the substitution pattern of 6b, the remaining chloride was substituted with a nucleophile selected for its reactivity and its potential to present NOESY correlations. Benzylthiol was chosen for this purpose, and reaction with 6b in DMF in the presence of Hü nig's base afforded derivative 7 in 75% yield (Scheme 2). The NOESY correlation observed between the benzylic protons and H-7 confirmed that the benzylthiol group was at the C-8 position and consequently that p-thiocresol was at the C-2 position. The full characterization of 6a and 5b indicated that they were regioisomers of 5a and 6b, showing, respectively, the same mass but different retention time in UHPLC-MS and different ¹H and ¹³C NMR chemical shifts. For this reason, their identities were deduced from the assignment of 5a and 6b structures.

Reaction conditions for the addition of thiol to 2c were further explored with p-thiocresol in order to optimize the regioselectivity and to find out which parameters were influencing this regioselectivity, such as the nature of the solvent, the presence of a base or an acid, and the temperature of the reaction (Table 4). As before, the regioisomeric ratios were determined on the reaction mixture by UHPLC-MS.

In DMF at 0 $^{\circ}$ C and in the presence of Hünig's base, pthiocresol added to 2c predominately at C-8 (Table 4, entry 1). We could expect that the presence of the base ensures the deprotonation of the p-thiocresol, affording the thiolate as reactive species and the neutralization of the HCl liberated during the reaction. Under such conditions, C-8 appears to be the most reactive center. In the absence of base, no reaction was observed at rt (Table 4, entry 2). In this reaction, p thiocresol is probably not nucleophilic enough to react with 2c. At 90 °C, 25% of 6b was formed, leaving 75% of starting material (Table 4, entry 3). The liberated HCl may influence the regioselectivity and favor C-2 addition. Indeed, the presence of 1 equiv of HCl yielded selectively C-2 addition, with complete conversion at 0° C to rt (Table 4, entry 4). This observed inversion of regioselectivity can be explained via the

Table 6. S_NAr with Amines on 5c at C-2

Table 7. Suzuki−Miyaura Cross-Coupling Reactions on 3b at C-8

protonation of derivative 2c. On the basis of calculated pK_a values, N-1 is the most basic center. 9 Protonation at this site does not significantly affect the partial charges at C-2 and C-8, respectively.¹⁰ In contrast, the LUM[O](#page-9-0) density is the highest at C-8 for the neutral and at C-2 for the protonated form. This indicates th[at](#page-9-0) the reaction is not charge but orbital controlled.

These same reactions were performed in a protic solvent such as ⁱ PrOH. As 2c was not soluble in this solvent, the reaction mixture was heated at refluxing temperature to ensure the dissolution of the starting material. In addition, an excess of p-thiocresol was used for a complete conversion, without influencing the observed regioselectivity and multiple addition. Addition of a base did not influence the regioselectivity and yielded the formation of the C-2 adduct as unique regioisomer (Table 4, entries 5 and 6). At rt, the same regioselectivity was observed, with only 20% of conversion probably due to limited solubili[ty](#page-2-0) of 2c in ⁱPrOH (Table 4, entry 7). The opportunity of hydrogen bonding in ⁱ PrOH could direct C-2 addition, even und[er](#page-2-0) basic conditions.¹⁰ Interestingly, in a 'PrOH/DMF mixture the regioselectivity was directly influenced by the base, yielding mainly C-[8 a](#page-9-0)ddition in the presence of Hü nig's base and C-2 addition without any base (Table 4, entries 8 and

9). In the presence of Hü nig's base, DMF could interfere with hydrogen bonding between 2c and ⁱ PrOH, yielding fast addition of deprotonated form of p-thiocresol to C-8. In the absence of Hünig's base, activation of 2c through hydrogen bonding with 'PrOH is required to ensure p-thiocresol addition, yielding C-2 regioselectivity.¹⁰

With the aim to study the C-2 or C-8 addition reversibility under the different reaction [co](#page-9-0)nditions, p-thiocresol was added into a solution of 2c in ⁱPrOH, and the mixture was heated to 90 °C until 50% conversion into 6b. Then, DMF and Hünig's base were added. After few hours at rt, a 50:50 mixture of both regioisomers was obtained, demonstrating that the formation of each regioisomer was irreversible. Regioisomers 5b and 6b were stable in both reaction conditions, in DMF with Hünig's base at 0 °C and rt or in ^{*i*}PrOH at 90 °C.

At this point, we could conclude that C-2 addition of thiol or thiolate to derivative 2 was favored under acidic conditions and/or protic solvents, while C-8 addition was majoritarly observed in polar aprotic solvent in the presence of a tertiary amine such as Hünig's base.

Conditions favoring C-2 thiolation were used with the same three thiols as previously described, namely: benzylthiol, p-

thiocresol, and sodium methyl thiolate (Table 5). Only partial conversion could be achieved with benzylthiol, even at refluxing temperature, affording 6a in very low yield (T[ab](#page-3-0)le 5, entry 1). p-Thiocresol was more reactive under such conditions, and compound 6b was isolated in 83% yield (Table [5,](#page-3-0) entry 2). When sodium methyl thiolate was used, MeOH was selected as solvent to avoid possible transesterification observ[ed](#page-3-0) in 'PrOH, and compound 6c was isolated in 73% yield (Table 5, entry 3).

We took advantage of the optimized access to both regioisomers 5c and 6c in order to further [exp](#page-3-0)lore the synthesis of diverse 2,8-disubstituted 4-aminopyrido[3,2-d] pyrimidine analogues. Chloride reactivity toward S_NAr and cross-coupling reactions, such as Suzuki−Miyaura reaction, and transformation of methylsulfanyl group via Liebeskind−Srogl cross-coupling reactions were investigated. We first studied the reaction of derivative 5c with amines. Addition of primary or secondary amines at 180 °C in MeCN under microwave irradiations yielded 2,4-diamino-8-methylsulfanylpyrido[3,2-d] pyrimidines 8 in 71−74% yields (Table 6).

Further transformation of the C-8-SMe bond on derivative 8, via Liebeskind-Srogl cross-coupling react[io](#page-3-0)ns, would give access to the same products as Suzuki−Miyaura cross-coupling reaction on derivative 3 (Table 7 below), which is synthetically shorter (being two vs three steps from 1). For this reason, we focused on this second approa[ch](#page-3-0), starting from derivative 3b (Table 7). Suzuki−Miyaura cross-coupling reactions of 3b were performed under classical conditions using $Pd(PPh₃)₄$ as ca[t](#page-3-0)alyst and Cs_2CO_3 as base in dioxane. Diverse boronic acids with electron-donating or electron-withdrawing groups were selected. Reaction mixtures were heated at 90 °C, affording after 5−7 h derivatives 9a to 9c in good yields (Table 7, entries 1−3).

Second, derivative 5c was diversified via two successive [m](#page-3-0)etal-catalyzed cross-coupling reactions. Selective mono-crosscoupling reaction on its precursor 2c was tedious. A mixture of mono- and bis-coupling products was obtained. Taking advantage of the differentiation of both reactive centers at C-2 and C -8, and their known orthogonal reactivity, 11 derivative 5c was first submitted to Suzuki−Miyaura cross-coupling reactions (Table 8). The same reaction conditions [as](#page-9-0) described previously were selected, affording derivatives 10a−c in 79 to 88% yields (Table 8, entries 1−3). Under such conditions, the methylsulfanyl group remained unchanged. Parallel to our work, Guillaumet et al. published similar approach to differentiate C-4 and C-2 chloride on the 2,4-dichloropyrido- $[3,2-d]$ pyrimidine.¹²

A different aryl group was further introduced at C-8 on derivative 10a vi[a L](#page-9-0)iebeskind−Srogl cross-coupling reaction. Compounds 11 were obtained using a stoichiometric amount of boronic acid derivatives, with $Pd(PPh₃)₄$ as catalyst and copper(I) thiophene-2-carboxylate (CuTC) as cofactor (Table 9). After 3.5 h in dioxane at 90 °C, compounds 11 were isolated in good yields (Table 9). With the poorly reactive ptrifluoromethylphenylboronic acid, the reaction had to be repeated twice to get a complete conversion. These two successive cross-coupling reactions, i.e., the first Suzuki− Miyaura followed by the Liebeskind−Srogl cross-coupling, allowed the introduction of two different aryl groups at positions C-2 and C-8, yielding novel and diverse compounds 11 in good yields and selectivity.

■ **CONCLUSIONS**

We have reported the synthesis of 4-amino-2,8-dichloropyrido- [3,2-d]pyrimidines derivatives 2 and their controlled regioselective diversification through different set of S_NAr and metalcatalyzed cross-coupling reactions. While amination took place selectively at C-2 of 2, the regioselectivity of thiol or thiolate addition depended on the nature of the solvent (protic or polar aprotic solvents) and the pH of the reaction mixture. Addition at C-8 took place in DMF with Hü nig's base and at C-2 in

i PrOH. These C-2 or C-8 regioselective thiolations provided an opportunistic way of differentiating the two positions toward metal-catalyzed cross-coupling reaction. 2-Chloro-4-amino-8- (methylthio)pyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine derivative 5c was further diversified either through amination or through two successive metal-catalyzed cross-coupling reactions. In this second alternative, a first aryl group was introduced selectively at C-2 through Suzuki−Miyaura reaction, demonstrating the orthogonality of both reactive centers (C−Cl vs C−SMe). A second aryl group was introduced through Liebeskind−Srogl crosscoupling reaction at the C−SMe bond. With the development of highly regioselective conditions for the synthesis of 2,6,8 trisubstituted 4-aminopyrido $[3,2-d]$ pyrimidine derivatives, we were able to prepare a wide variety of analogues. This strategy is currently being applied to structurally related polysubstituted heterocyclic derivatives and will be reported in the future.

EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

General Procedures. The commercially available starting materials were used without further purification. ¹H NMR spectra were recorded at 300 or 400 MHz and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded at 75.47 or 100.63 MHz, as indicated next to each NMR analysis. ¹H and 13 C chemical shifts (δ) were internally referenced to the residual solvent peak. Mass spectra were acquired by electrospray ionization. Melting points were reported without correction. The preparative HPLC purifications were performed with a mass-directed autopurification system. All HPLC purifications were performed with a gradient of $MeCN/H₂O$.

The microwave chemistry was performed on a single-mode microwave reactor Emrys Optimiser from Personal Chemistry or a single-mode microwave reactor Initiator 60 from Biotage in sealed reaction vessels.

General Procedure for S_N Ar with Amines on Derivative 1 at C-4. To a solution of 2,4,8-trichloropyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine-6 carboxylic acid methyl ester 1 (50 mg, 0.17 mmol) in MeCN (0.25 mL) was added an amine (0.17 mmol) dissolved in MeCN (0.25 mL) in the presence of Hünig's base (90 μ L; 0.51 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to rt and was stirred for 3 h. MeCN was removed under reduced pressure. The resulting solid was triturated in MeOH, filtered, and dried under vacuum to afford compounds 2a to 2f.

2,8-Dichloro-4-cyclohexylaminopyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine-6 **carboxylic acid methyl ester (2a):** yield = 77% ; dark pink solid; mp 205−206 °C dec; IR ν_{max} 3548, 1725, 1231 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl3) δ 1.16−1.33 (m, 1H), 1.33−1.57 (m, 3H), 1.65−1.77 (m, 1H), 1.77−1.92 (m, 3H), 2.05−2.15 (m, 2H), 4.04 (s, 3H), 4.20 (br m, 1H), 7.56 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 8.42 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75.47 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 25.2, 25.8, 32.8, 50.8, 53.7, 129.0, 131.4, 143.0, 145.1, 145.2, 160.3, 161.9, 164.2; HPLC $t_R = 4.77$ min; ES-MS m/z 355.27 $(M + H)^{+}$. Anal. Calcd for $C_{15}H_{16}Cl_2N_4O_2$: C, 50.72; H, 4.54; N, 15.77. Found: C, 50.38; H, 4.21; N, 15.39.

2,8-Dichloro-4-dimethylaminopyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine-6 carboxylic acid methyl ester (2b): yield = 80%; pink solid; mp 216−217 °C dec; IR ν_{max} 1716, 1208 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.45 (s, 3H), 4.01 (s, 6H), 8.40 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75.47 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 42.3, 43.3, 53.5, 128.0, 133.3, 142.5, 143.2, 147.9, 160.1, 160.7, 164.3; HPLC $t_R = 3.81$ min; ES-MS m/z 301.00 (M + H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for $C_{11}H_{10}Cl_2N_4O_2$: C, 43.87; H, 3.35; N, 18.61. Found: C, 43.71; H, 3.34; N, 18.93.

2,8-Dichloro-4-diethylaminopyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine-6-car**boxylic acid methyl ester (2c):** yield $= 73\%$; dark orange solid; mp 128−129 °C; IR ν_{max} 2932, 1742, 1254 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.33 (t, J = 7 Hz, 3H), 1.44 (t, J = 7 Hz, 3H), 3.89 (q, J = 7 Hz, 2H), 3.99 (s, 3H), 4.01 (s, 3H), 4.34 (q, J = 7 Hz, 2H), 8.38 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75.47 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.1, 14.2, 47.2, 47.4, 53.4, 127.9, 132.8, 142.3, 143.3, 148.0, 159.6, 160.4, 164.4; HPLC $t_R = 4.83$ min; ES-MS m/z 328.99 (M + H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for $C_{13}H_{14}Cl_2N_4O_2$: C, 47.43; H, 4.29; N, 17.02. Found: C, 47.18; H, 4.29; N, 16.89.

2,8-Dichloro-4-phenylaminopyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester (2d): yield = 82%; dark orange solid; mp 223−224 °C dec; IR ν_{max} 3338, 1731, 1574 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.07 (s, 3H), 7.24 (t, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t, J = 8 Hz, 2H), 7.90 (d, J = 8 Hz, 2H), 8.49 (s, 1H), 9.45 (br s, 1H); ¹³C NMR $(75.47 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3)$ δ 53.8, 121.6, 126.0, 129.3, 129.6, 131.3, 137.0, 143.7, 145.3, 145.8, 158.5, 161.4, 163.9; HPLC $t_R = 4.48$ min; ES-MS m/z 349.19 (M + H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for $C_{15}H_{10}Cl_2N_4O_2$: C, 51.60; H, 2.89; N, 16.05; Cl, 20.31. Found: C, 51.24; H, 2.76; N, 15.82; Cl, 19.95.

2,8-Dichloro-4-(4-methoxyphenylamino)pyrido[3,2-d] **pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester (2e):** yield = 80% ; yellow solid; mp 231−232 °C dec; IR $\nu_{\rm max}$ 3333, 1729, 1574, 1248 cm[−]¹ ; 1 H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl3) δ 3.85 (s, 3H), 4.07 (s, 3H), 6.96–6.99 (m, 2H), 7.78–7.81 (m, 2H), 8.48 (s, 1H), 9.36 (br s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75.47 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 53.8, 55.9, 114.7, 123.3, 129.2, 130.1, 131.4, 143.5, 145.3, 145.6, 157.8, 158.2, 161.6, 164.0; HPLC t_R = 4.42 min; ES-MS m/z 379.22 $(M + H)^{+}$. Anal. Calcd for C16H12Cl2N4O3: C, 50.68; H, 3.19; N, 14.77. Found: C, 51.03; H, 3.52; N, 14.48.

2,8-Dichloro-4-(4-trifluoromethylphenylamino)pyrido[3,2 d]pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester (2f): $yield = 78\%;$ dark orange solid; mp 192−193 °C dec; IR ν_{max} 1723, 1572, 1316, 1106 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.09 (s, 3H), 7.72 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 8.08 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 8.53 (s, 1H), 9.61 (br s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75.47 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 53.9, 121.3, 124.2 (q, $J = 267.2$ Hz), 126.9 (q, J = 3.7 Hz), 127.5 (q, J = 32 Hz), 129.5, 131.1, 140.1, 144.1, 145.4, 146.2, 158.6, 161.1, 163.8; HPLC $t_R = 5.23$ min; ES-MS m/z 417.20 $(M + H)^{+}$. Anal. Calcd for $C_{16}H_{9}Cl_{2}F_{3}N_{4}O_{2}$: C, 46.07; H, 2.17; N, 13.43. Found: C, 45.72; H, 2.47; N, 13.34.

4-(4-Methoxyphenylamino)pyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine-6-carboxylic Acid Methyl Ester (2g). To a solution of 2e (500 mg, 1.32 mmol) in a 1:1 mixture of methanol and dichloromethane (50 mL) was added 10% Pd/C (50 mg), and the reaction mixture was put under 1.5 bar of hydrogen for 6 h at rt. The catalyst was removed by filtration, and the filtrate was concentrated. The crude product was purified by column chromatography using 10−12% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether as eluent to afford compound 2g as pale yellow solid (0.292 mg, 73% yield): mp 131−132 °C; IR ν_{max} 3464, 1726, 1604, 1541, 1280, 1031 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.86 (s, 3H), 4.09 (s, 3H), 6.99−7.01 (dd, J = 6.8, 2.2 Hz, 2H), 7.79−7.81 (dd, J = 6.8, 2.2 Hz, 2H), 8.36–8.38 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 8.45–8.47 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 8.77 (s, 1H), 9.39 (br s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 53.1, 55.5, 114.3, 123.3, 128.2, 130.4, 131.5, 136.8, 145.7, 145.8, 156.9, 157.7, 157.8, 164.5; HPLC $t_R = 2.75$ min; ES-MS m/z 311.2 (M + H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₁₄N₄O₃: C, 61.93; H, 4.55; N, 18.05. Found: C, 61.98; H, 4.59; N, 18.01.

General Procedure for S_N Ar with Amines on Derivative 2 at C-2. To a solution of derivative 2 (0.32 mmol) in a mixture of MeCN (2.0 mL) and DMF (2.0 mL) was added an amine (1.6 mmol) inthe presence of Hünig's base (0.17 mL, 0.96 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at 90 °C for 1 h. Solvents were removed under vacuum. The resulting solid was triturated in MeOH, filtered, and dried under vacuum to afford derivatives 3a−d.

2-Butylamino-8-chloro-4-dimethylaminopyrido[3,2-d] pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester $(3a)$: yield = 77%; yellow solid; mp 112−113 °C; IR $\nu_{\rm max}$ 3400, 1697, 1537 cm $^{-1}$; $^1\rm H$ NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.96 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 1.43 (m, 2H), 1.57−1.72 (br m, 2H), 2.99−4.20 (br m, 8H), 3.96 (s, 3H), 5.30 (br s, 1H), 8.23 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75.47 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.2, 20.5, 32.3, 41.8, 42.2, 53.0, 127.6, 137.3, 149.2, 160.3, 160.8, 165.3; HPLC t_R = 3.08 min; ES-MS m/z 338.38 $(M + H)^{+}$. Anal. Calcd for $C_{15}H_{20}CN_5O_2$: C, 53.33; H, 5.97; N, 20.73. Found: C, 53.64 H, 5.59; N, 20.51.

2-Benzylamino-8-chloro-4-dimethylaminopyrido[3,2-d] pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester (3b): yield = 79%; yellow solid; mp 157−158 °C; IR ν_{max} 3381, 1699, 1534 cm⁻¹; ¹H
NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃+ 0.7% TFA)¹³ δ 3.45 (s, 3H), 4.01 (s, 3H), 4.07 (s, 3H), 4.72 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 7.25−7.38 (m, 5H), 8.38 (s, 1H), 9.02 (br t, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C N[M](#page-9-0)R (75.47 MHz, CDCl₃+ 0.7%

TFA) δ 43.2, 43.7, 45.8, 53.6, 127.5, 127.9, 128.9, 129.3, 129.5, 133.0, 136.7, 137.4, 142.2, 151.9, 158.2, 163.3; HPLC $t_R = 3.05$ min; ES-MS m/z 372.04 (M + H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₁₈ClN₅O₂: C, 58.15; H, 4.88; N, 18.83. Found: C, 57.70; H, 5.05; N, 18.90.

2-Benzylamino-8-chloro-4-diethylaminopyrido[3,2-d] pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester (3c): $yield = 82\%;$ light yellow solid; mp 100.7−101.9 °C; IR ν_{max} 1707, 1561, 1535, 1338 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃ + 0.7% TFA)¹³ δ 1.20 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.46 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 3.77 (q, J = 7.0, 2H), 3.99 (s, 3H), 4.36 (q, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 4.70 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 2H), 7.22–7.35 (m, 5H), 8.38 (s, 1H), 9.35 (br t, $J = 5.9$ Hz, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (75.47 MHz, CDCl₃ + 0.7% TFA) δ 11.5, 13.7, 45.5, 47.9, 48.0, 53.2, 127.0, 127.6, 128.8, 128.9, 129.2, 133.0, 137.0, 137.5, 142.1, 152.2, 157.1, 163.2, HPLC $t_{\rm R}$ = 3.90 min; ES-MS m/z 400.40 (M + H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₂₀H₂₂ClN₅O₂: C, 60.07; H, 5.55; N, 17.51; Cl, 8.87. Found: C, 59.73; H, 5.39; N, 17.19; Cl, 8.68.

2-Diethylamino-8-chloro-4-dimethylaminopyrido[3,2-d] pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester $(3d)$: yield = 81%; yellow solid; mp 119−120 °C; IR $\nu_{\rm max}$ 1711, 1537 cm $^{-1}$; $^1{\rm H}$ NMR $(300 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3)$ δ 1.24 (br s, 6H), 3.35–3.95 (br m, 10H), 3.95 (s, 3H), 8.20 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75.47 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 13.62, 41.93, 42.50, 52.93, 127.33, 130.96, 136.58, 138.75, 149.39, 158.67, 160.54, 165.47; HPLC $t_R = 3.07$ min; ES-MS m/z 338.39 (M + H)⁺; Anal. Calcd for $C_{15}H_{20}CIN_{5}O_{2}$: C, 53.33; H, 5.97; N, 20.73. Found: C, 53.25; H, 5.93; N, 20.47.

Methyl 2-Anilino-8-chloro-4-(dimethylamino)pyrido[3,2-d] pyrimidine-6-carboxylate (3e). To a solution of 2,8-dichloro-4 dimethylaminopyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester 2b (95 mg; 0.32 mmol) in dioxane (4 mL) was added aniline (36 mg; 0.38 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at reflux for 2 days. The resulting precipitate was filtered, triturated in MeOH, filtered, and dried under vacuum to afford compound 3e as a pale yellow solid (85.9 mg, 75% yield): mp 204−205 °C dec; IR ν_{max} 3370, 1707, 1519, 1261 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃ + 0.7% TFA)¹³ δ 3.50 (s, 3H), 4.02 (s, 3H), 4.11 (s, 3H), 7.15−7.24 (m, 1H), 7.33−7.42 (m, 2H), 7.56−7.62 (m, 2H), 8.39 (s, 1H), 11.24 (br s, 1H); 13C NMR $(75.47 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3 + 0.7\% \text{ TFA}) \delta$ 43.5, 43.8, 53.5, 122.6, 126.1, 129.1, 129.5, 129.6, 133.5, 136.2, 137.8, 142.3, 150.3, 158.4, 163.3; HPLC $t_R = 3.56$ min; ES-MS m/z 358 (M + H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for $C_{17}H_{16}CN_5O_2$: C, 57.07; H, 4.51; N, 19.57. Found: C, 57.11; H, 4.53; N, 19.36.

General Procedure for Chloride Reduction of Derivative 3. A mixture of 2,4-diamino-8-chloropyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester 3 (0.24 mmol), ammonium formate (4.87 mmol), and 10% Pd/C (25.5 mg, 0.024 mmol) in EtOH (20 mL) was stirred at reflux for 45 min. The reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo. The residue was taken up in 5% MeOH in DCM and filtered through a short plug of Celite, which was further washed with the same solvents mixture. The solvents were evaporated, and the resulting solid was dissolved in DCM (25 mL),washed with saturated solution of NaHCO₃ (20 mL) and brine (20 mL), and dried on anhydrous MgSO4. After evaporation of the solvents, the resulting solid was triturated in MeOH, filtered, and dried under vacuum to afford derivatives 4a and 4b.

2-Benzylamino-4-diethylaminopyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine-6 carboxylic acid methyl ester (4a): $yield = 69\%$; $yellow solid$; mp 138.5−139.5 °C; IR ν_{max} 2940, 1714, 1536, 1337, 1290 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃ + 0.7% TFA)¹³ δ 1.14 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.39 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H), 3.70 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.93 (s, 3H), 4.34 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 4.63 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 2H), 7.15−7.31 (m, 5H), 7.88 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 1H), 8.23 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 1H), 8.99 (br t, $J = 5.3$ Hz, 1H), 13.13 (br s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75.47 MHz, CDCl₃ + 0.7% TFA) δ 11.6, 13.8, 45.3, 47.5, 47.6, 53.0, 126.1, 127.0, 127.6, 128.0, 128.8, 129.3, 137.3, 139.5, 142.7, 152.1, 157.5, 164.1; HPLC $t_R = 3.90$ min; ES-MS m/z 366.30 (M + H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for $C_{20}H_{23}N_5O_2$: C, 65.74; H, 6.34; N, 19.16. Found: C, 65.36; H, 6.41; N, 18.89.

4-Dimethylamino-2-phenylaminopyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine-**6-carboxylic acid methyl ester (4b):** yield = 75%; light yellow solid; mp 159.2−160.3 °C; IR ν_{max} 2944, 1706, 1523, 1441, 1258 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.18−4.21 (br m, 6H), 3.98 (s,

3H), 6.99−7.09 (m, 1H), 7.17 (br s, 1H), 7.28−7.39 (m, 2H), 7.65− 7.75 (m, 2H), 7.80 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 8.17 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75.47 MHz, CDCl₃ + 0.7% TFA)¹³ δ 42.9, 43.3, 53.1, 122.1, 125.4, 126.5, 128.4, 128.9, 129.3, 136.6, 140.0, 142.6, 150.2, 158.7, 164.0; HPLC $t_R = 3.02$ min; ES-MS m/z 324.38 $(M + H)^+$. Anal. Calcd for $C_{17}H_{17}N_5O_2$ -0.1 H₂O: C, 62.80; H, 5.33; N, 21.54. Found: C, 62.82; H, 5.71; N, 21.23.

General Procedure for S_N Ar Reaction of Thiol to Derivative 2c in DMF. To a solution of 2,8-dichloro-4-diethylaminopyrido[3,2 d]pyrimidine 2c (151 mg, 0.46 mmol) in DMF (4.0 mL) was added a thiol (0.46 mmol) in the presence of Hü nig's base (0.24 mL, 1.38 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 2 h and allowed warm to rt for 14 h. The solvents were evaporated. The resulting mixture was dissolved in a mixture 1:1 mixture of MeCN and DMSO (1.5 mL) and was purified by preparative HPLC to isolate both regioisomers 5a−b and 6a−b.

2-Chloro-4-diethylamino-8-benzylsulfanylpyrido[3,2-d] pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester $(5a)$: yield = 65%; offwhite solid; mp 101.4−102.4 °C; IR ν_{max} 1504, 1346, 1248, 1128 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 1.23–1.26 (m, 3H), 1.33– 1.37 (m, 3H), 3.73−3.75 (m, 2H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 4.31−4.33 (m, 2H), 4.42 (s, 2H), 7.29−7.39 (m, 3H), 7.50−7.52 (m, 2H), 8.13 (s, 1H), ¹³C NMR (75.47 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 11.6, 13.9, 33.9, 45.9, 46.3, 52.9, 120.7, 127.6, 128.7, 129.0, 129.4, 135.6, 142.6, 146.5, 148.8, 156.8, 158.9, 164.3; HPLC $t_R = 6.17$ min; ES-MS m/z 417.3 (M + H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for $C_{20}H_{21}CIN_4O_2S$: C, 57.62; H, 5.08; N, 13.44; Cl, 8.50. Found: C, 57.42; H, 5.17; N, 13.34; Cl, 8.46.

2-Benzylsulfanyl-4-diethylamino-8-chloropyrido[3,2-d] **pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester (6a):** yield = 17% ; offwhite solid; mp 118.3−119.3 °C; IR ν_{max} 1713, 1440, 1352 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.16−1.27 (br m, 3H), 1.30−1.42 (br m, 3H), 3.67–3.81 (br m, 2H), 3.92 (s, 3H), 4.21–4.33 (br m, 2H), 4.48 (s, 2H), 7.23–7.34 (m, 3H), 7.48–7.51 (m, 2H), 8.36 (s, 1H); 13 C NMR (75.47 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 11.6, 13.9, 34.6, 45.7, 46.3, 52.8, 126.9, 127.1, 128.4, 128.8, 131.6, 138.3, 139.7, 141.2, 145.7, 156.9, 163.6, 169.4; HPLC $t_R = 6.13$ min; ES-MS m/z 417.3 $(M + H)^+$. Anal. Calcd for $C_{20}H_{21}CIN_4O_2S$: C, 57.62; H, 5.08; N, 13.44; Cl, 8.50. Found: C, 57.85; H, 5.09; N, 13.43; Cl, 8.48.

2-Chloro-4-diethylamino-8-p-tolylsulfanylpyrido[3,2-d] pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester (5b): $yield = 62\%;$ light yellow solid; mp 195.2−196.2 °C; IR ν_{max} 2940, 2356, 1716, 1347, 1129 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 1.23−1.27 (m, 3H), 1.31−1.37 (m, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 3.65−3.90 (m, 2H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 4.30−4.33 (m, 2H), 7.35 (s, 1H), 7.44 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75.47 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 11.6, 13.8, 20.9, 45.9, 46.3, 52.8, 120.4, 124.2, 126.7, 131.3, 135.6, 140.6, 141.1, 142.7, 145.5, 150.6, 158.8, 164.2; HPLC $t_R = 6.06$ min; ES-MS m/z 417.1 $(M + H)^{+}$. Anal. Calcd for $C_{20}H_{21}CIN_{4}O_{2}S$: C, 57.62; H, 5.08; N, 13.44; Cl, 8.50. Found: C, 57.62; H, 4.85; N, 13.70; Cl, 8.10.

2-Chloro-4-diethylamino-8-methylsulfanylpyrido[3,2-d] pyrimidine-6-carboxylic Acid Methyl Ester (5c). To a solution of 2,8-dichloro-4-diethylaminopyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine 2c (151 mg, 0.46 mmol) in DMF (4.0 mL) was added sodium methyl thiolate (0.46 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 2 h and was allowed to warm to rt for 14 h. The solvents were evaporated. The resulting mixture was dissolved in a 1:1 mixture of MeCN and DMSO (1.5 mL) and was purified by preparative HPLC, affording 5c as a light yellow solid (120.7 mg, 77% yield). The other regioisomer, 6c (3% of the crude mixture), could not be isolated: mp 153−154 °C; IR $\nu_{\rm max}$ 1716, 1251 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.30 (br m, 3H), 1.41 (br m, 3H), 2.53 (s, 3H), 3.81 (br m, 2H), 3.97 (s, 3H), 4.36 (br m, 2H), 7.97 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75.47 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.25, 14.25, 14.40, 46.82, 47.16, 53.21, 120.07, 129.96, 143.17, 147.86, 151.03, 158.52, 159.80, 165.63; HPLC $t_R = 5.05$ min; ES-MS m/z 341.32 (M + H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for $C_{14}H_{17}CIN_4O_2S$: C, 49.34; H, 5.03; N, 16.44. Found: C, 49.07; H, 5.03; N, 16.29.

2-p-Tolylsulfanyl-4-diethylamino-8-chloropyrido[3,2-d] pyrimidine-6-carboxylic Acid Methyl Ester (6b). To a solution of 2,8-dichloro-4-diethylaminepyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester 2c (60 mg, 0.18 mmol) in ⁱ PrOH (5.4 mL) was added

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p-thiocresol (112 mg, 0.9 mmol). After 16 h at reflux, solvents were removed under vacuo. The resulted residue was dissolved in a 1:1 mixture of MeCN and DMSO (1.5 mL) and was purified by preparative HPLC, affording derivative 6b as a beige solid (62.2 mg, 83% yield): mp 137.8−138.8 °C; IR ν_{max} 1713, 1532, 1504, 1435, 1345, 1245, 1129 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 0.82 (br m, 3H), 1.29 (br m, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 3.36 (br m, 2H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 4.17−4.19 (br m, 4H), 7.29 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 8.31 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75.47 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 11.4, 13.7, 20.8, 45.7, 46.1, 52.8, 126.1, 127.0, 129.5, 131.6, 135.4, 138.9, 139.8, 141.2, 146.1, 156.8, 163.6, 170.2, HPLC $t_R = 5.69$ min; ES-MS m/z 417.1 (M + H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₂₀H₂₁ClN₄O₂S: C, 57.62; H, 5.08; N, 13.44; Cl, 8.50. Found: C, 57.21; H, 4.99; N, 13.08; Cl, 8.12.

2-Methylsulfanyl-4-diethylamino-8-chloropyrido[3,2-d] pyrimidine-6-carboxylic Acid Methyl Ester (6c). To a solution of 2,8-dichloro-4-diethylaminopyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester 2c (60 mg, 0.18 mmol) in MeOH (5.4 mL) was added sodium methyl thiolate (12.6 mg, 0.18 mmol). After 16 h at reflux, solvent was removed under vacuo. The resulting residue was dissolved in a 1:1 mixture of MeCN and DMSO (1.5 mL) and was purified by preparative HPLC, affording derivative 6c as an orange solid (45 mg, 73% yield): mp 122.5−123.5 °C; IR ν_{max} 2359, 1737, 1435, 1244, 1130 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.25−1.41 (br m, 6H), 2.61 (s, 3H), 3.84 (br m, 2H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 4.33 (br m, 2H), 8.33 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75.47 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.9, 14.0, 14.6, 46.3, 46.8, 52.8, 127.3, 132.0, 140.8, 140.9, 146.6, 157.3, 164.5, 171.5, HPLC $t_R = 4.31$ min; ES-MS m/z 341.1 (M + H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₁₄H₁₇ClN₄O₂S: C, 49.34; H, 5.03; N, 16.44. Found: C, 49.39; H, 5.07; N, 16.39.

8-Benzylsulfanyl-4-diethylamino-2-p-tolylsulfanylpyrido- [3,2-d]pyrimidine-6-carboxylic Acid Methyl Ester (7). To a solution of 6b (200 mg, 0.48 mmol) in DMF (5 mL) was added benzylthiol (89 mg, 0.72 mmol) in the presence of Hü nig's base (0.25 mL, 1.44 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at 90 °C for 18 h. The solvent was removed under vacuum. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography using 2−3% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether as eluent to afford derivative 7 as pale yellow solid (180 mg, 75% yield): mp 131−132 °C; IR νmax 1715, 1502, 1435, 1345, 1243, 1128 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃), 0.88–0.92 (br m, 3H), 1.35 (br m, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 3.41 (br m, 2H), 3.94 (s, 3H), 4.21 (s, 2H), 4.27 (br m, 2H), 7.18−7.20 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.27− 7.30 (m, 1H), 7.33−7.36 (m, 2H), 7.45−7.48 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.53−7.55(d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 8.04 (s, 1H); 13C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl3), 11.7, 14.0, 21.2, 35.5, 46.0, 46.3, 52.6, 120.4, 127.3, 127.5, 128.6, 129.0, 129.1, 129.3, 135.4, 135.8, 138.7, 141.1, 146.8, 148.07, 157.5, 165.4, 169.7; HPLC t_R = 7.05 min; ES-MS m/z 505.0 (M + H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for $C_{27}H_{28}N_4O_2S_2$: C, 64.26; H, 5.59; N, 11.10. Found: C, 64.31; H, 5.63; N, 11.07.

General Procedure for S_N Ar with Amines on Derivative 5c at C-2. To a solution of 2-chloro-4-diethylamino-8-methylsulfanylpyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester 5c (100 mg, 0.29 mmol) in MeCN (4 mL) was added an amine (1.47 mmol) in the presence of Hü nig's base (0.16 mL, 0.9 mmol). The reaction was heated at 180 °C under MW irradiations for 20 min. Solvent was removed under vacuum, and the resulting solid was triturated in MeOH, filtered, and dried under vacuum to afford derivatives 8a to 8c.

2-Benzylamino-4-diethylamino-8-methylsulfanylpyrido[3,2 d]pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester (8a): $yield = 74\%;$ yellow solid; mp 121−122 °C; IR $\nu_{\rm max}$ 3548, 1725, 1231 cm $^{-1}$; $^1\rm H$ NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.04−1.48 (br m, 6H), 2.50 (s, 3H), 3.50−3.88 (br m, 2H), 3.95 (s, 3H), 4.00−4.51 (br m, 2H), 4.56−4.78 (m, 2H), 5.50 (br s, 1H), 7.18−7.49 (m, 5H), 7.86 (s, 1H); 13C NMR $(75.47 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3)$ δ 14.0, 14.2, 46.1, 46.3, 52.8, 119.7, 127.4, 127.9, 128.3, 128.8, 129.1, 138.4, 140.1, 148,9, 159.4, 159.7, 166.4; HPLC t_R = 3.90 min; ES-MS m/z 412.52 $(M + H)^{+}$. Anal. Calcd for $C_{21}H_{25}N_5O_2S: C, 61.29; H, 6.12; N, 17.02.$ Found: C, 61.17; H, 6.12; N, 16.95.

2-Butylamino-4-diethylamino-8-methylsulfanylpyrido[3,2 d]pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester (8b): $yield = 71\%;$ yellow oil; IR $\nu_{\rm max}$ 1712, 1530 cm $^{-1}$; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.93 (t, J = 7 Hz, 3H), 1.33−1.40 (m, 6H), 1.41−1.45 (m, 2H), 1.58− 1.62 (m, 2H), 2.49 (s, 3H), 3.45 (d, J = 6 Hz, 2H), 3.60−3.86 (br m, 2H), 3.93 (s, 3H), 4.04−4.40 (br m, 2H), 5.29 (br s, 1H), 7.84 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75.47 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.2, 13.2, 13.7, 13.8, 20.2, 26.8, 32.0, 41.3, 45.8, 52.3, 119.2, 127.0, 127.6, 137.6, 145.3, 148.7,159.2, 166.0; HPLC $t_R = 3.91$ min; ES-MS m/z 378.07(M + H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for $C_{18}H_{27}N_5O_2S$: C, 57.27; H, 7.21; N, 18.55. Found: C, 57.33; H, 7.23; N, 18.51.

2,4-Diethylamino-8-methylsulfanylpyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester (8c): yield =72%; yellow solid; mp 127−128 °C; IR ν_{max} 1706, 1527 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.22−1.26 (m, 6H), 1.31−1.36 (m, 6H), 2.49 (s, 3H), 3.69−3.70 (m, 4H), 3.95 (s, 3H), 4.03−4.28 (br m, 4H), 7.93 (s, 1H); 13C NMR $(75.47 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3)$ δ 13.7, 14.1, 42.4, 46.2, 52.7, 119.5, 127.0, 137.5, 146.4, 149.1, 158.0, 159.3, 166.6; HPLC $t_R = 3.97$ min; ES-MS m/z 378.10 $(M + H)^{+}$. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₇N₅O₂S: C, 57.27; H, 7.21; N, 18.55. Found: C, 56.94; H, 7.01; N, 18.21.

General Procedure for Suzuki-Myaura Cross-Coupling Reactions on Derivative 3b at C-8. To a suspension of 2 benzylamino-8-chloro-4-dimethylaminopyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester 3b (112 mg, 0.30 mmol) and a boronic acid (1.50 mmol) in dioxane (2.0 mL) were added Cs_2CO_3 $(293 \text{ mg}, 0.90)$ mmol) and $Pd(PPh₃)₄$ (17.3 mg, 0.015 mmol) under inert atmosphere. The reaction mixture was heated at 90 °C for 5−7 h. After complete conversion, water was added (10 mL), and the desired product was extracted with DCM $(3 \times 10 \text{ mL})$. The combined organic layers were washed with brine (10 mL), dried on anhydrous $Na₂SO₃$, and filtered on Celite. After evaporation of the solvents, the crude products were dissolved in a 1:1 mixture of MeCN and DMSO (1.5 mL) and were purified by preparative HPLC, affording derivatives 9.

2-Benzylamino-4-dimethylamino-8-phenylpyrido[3,2-d] pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester (9a): yield = 82%; yellow solid; mp 118−119 °C; IR ν_{max} 2922, 1713, 1533, 1243 cm⁻¹;
¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCL) δ 3 40−3 90 (br s, 6H) 3 98 (s, 3H) ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.40–3.90 (br s, 6H), 3.98 (s, 3H), 4.62 (br s, 2H), 5.39 (br s, 1H), 7.24−7.39 (m, 8H), 7.75−7.78 (m, 2H), 8.20 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75.47 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 30.1, 42.0, 46.0, 52.9, 127.1, 127.2, 127.4, 128.0, 128.2, 128.6, 128.8, 130.6, 137.4, 140.2, 143.6, 159.5, 161.6, 166.2; HPLC $t_R = 3.73$ min; ES-MS m/z 414.05 (M + H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for $C_{24}H_{23}N_5O_2$: C, 69.72; H, 5.61; N, 16.94. Found: C, 69.29; H, 6.02; N, 16.63.

2-Benzylamino-4-dimethylamino-8-(4-methoxyphenyl) pyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester (9b): yield = 82%; yellow solid; mp 151−152 °C; IR ν_{max} 3392, 1698, 1532, 1247 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.40–3.75 (br m, 6H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.92 (s, 3H), 4.57 (d, $J = 6$ Hz, 2H), 5.38 (br s, 1H), 6.88 (d, J = 8 Hz, 2H), 7.26–7.28 (m, 5H), 7.70–7.73 (m, 2H), 8.13 (s, 1H); 13C NMR (75.47 MHz, CDCl3) δ 29.7, 41.7, 45.6, 52.5, 55.3, 113.3, 126.1, 127.0, 127.6, 128.1, 128.4, 129.1, 129.3, 131.5, 135.9, 138.0, 139.9, 159.2, 159.7, 161.3, 165.9; HPLC $t_R = 3.42$ min; ES-MS m/z 444.19 (M + H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for $C_{25}H_{25}N_5O_3$: C, 67.71; H, 5.68; N, 15.79. Found: C, 67.41; H, 5.94; N, 15.59.

2-Benzylamino-4-dimethylamino-8-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)pyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester (9c): yield = 78%; yellow solid; mp 176−177 °C; IR ν_{max} 3411, 1700, 1522, 1251 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.34−3.74 (br m, 6H), 3.99 (s, 3H), 4.59 (br s, 2H), 5.44 (br s, 1H), 7.28−7.32 (m, 5H), 7.65−7.72 (m, 2H), 7.82−7.85 (m, 2H), 8.18 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75.47 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 29.7, 41.9, 45.7, 52.6, 124.3 (q, $J = 272.0$ Hz), 124.9 (q, $J = 4.1$ Hz), 127.2, 127.5, 127.6, 128.6, 130.6, 130.7 (q, J = 34.8 Hz), 138.0, 139.7, 140.2, 140.6, 148.2, 156.7, 159.3, 165.7, 169.1; HPLC $t_R = 4.23$ min; ES-MS m/z 482.16 $(M + H)^+$. . Anal. Calcd for $C_{25}H_{22}F_3N_5O_2$: C, 62.37; H, 4.61; N, 14.55. Found: C, 61.98; H, 5.01; N, 14.82.

General Procedure for Suzuki−Myaura cross-Coupling Reactions on Derivative 5c at C-2. A solution of 2-chloro-4 diethylamino-8-methylsulfanylpyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester 5c (82 mg, 0.24 mmol), boronic acid (1.20 mmol), Cs_2CO_3 (238 mg, 0.72 mmol), and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (14 mg, 0.012 mmol) in dioxane (2.0 mL) was heated at 90 °C for 3.5 h under inert atmosphere. After complete conversion, water was added (10 mL), and the desired product was extracted with DCM $(3 \times 10 \text{ mL})$. Combined organic layers were washed with brine (10 mL), dried over Na2SO4, and filtered on Celite. After evaporation of the solvents, the resulting solid was triturated in MeOH, filtered, and dried under vacuum to afford derivatives 10a to 10c.

2-Phenyl-4-diethylamino-8-methylsulfanylpyrido[3,2-d] pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester (10a): yield = 88%; yellow solid; mp 167−168 °C; IR $\nu_{\rm max}$ 1718, 1519 cm $^{-1}$; ¹H NMR $(300 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3)$ δ 1.44 (t, J = 7 Hz, 6H), 2.58 (s, 3H), 3.85–4.15 (br m, 2H), 4.00 (s, 3H), 4.25−4.55 (br m, 2H), 7.46−7.48 (m, 3H), 8.01 (s, 1H), 8.56–8.59 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75.47 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.5, 14.3, 14.7, 46.7, 53.1, 119.7, 128.6, 129.1, 130.1, 131.0, 138.7, 142.4, 147.3, 151.8, 159.2, 160.8, 166.1; HPLC $t_R = 5.77$ min; ES-MS m/z 383.40 (M + H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₂₀H₂₂N₄O₂S: C, 62.81; H, 5.80; N, 14.65. Found: C, 62.47; H, 5.88; N, 14.74.

2-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-4-diethylamino-8-methylsulfanylpyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester (10b): yield = 79%; yellow solid; mp 147−148 °C; IR ν_{max} 1733, 1519, 1240 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.43 (t, J = 7 Hz, 6H), 2.56 (s, 3H), 3.75−4.10 (br m, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.99 (s, 3H), 4.10−4.55 (br m, 2H), 6.98 (d, J = 9 Hz, 2H), 7.98 (s, 1H), 8.52 $(d, J = 9 \text{ Hz}, 2\text{H})$; ¹³C NMR (75.47 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.3, 13.9, 14.1, 46.2, 52.6, 55.3, 113.5, 119.1, 129.4, 130.4, 131.0, 141.6, 146.9, 150.8, 158.7, 160.1, 161.8, 165.7; HPLC $t_R = 5.40$ min; ES-MS m/z 413.40 $(M + H)^{+}$. Anal. Calcd for $C_{21}H_{24}N_{4}O_{3}S$: C, 61.15; H, 5.86; N, 13.58. Found: C, 61.13; H, 5.54; N, 13.44.

2-(4-Trifluoromethylphenyl)-4-diethylamino-8 methylsulfanylpyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid **methyl ester (10c):** yield = 84%; yellow solid; mp 148−149 °C; IR ν_{max} 1721, 1521, 1321 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.25– 1.85 (br m, 6H), 2.58 (s, 3H), 3.75−4.15 (br m, 2H), 4.01 (s, 3H), 4.20−4.65 (br m, 2H), 7.72 (d, J = 8 Hz, 2H), 8.02 (s, 1H), 8.67 (d, J $= 8$ Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75.47 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.1, 14.1, 14.2, 46.6, 46.7, 52.9, 119.5, 124.6 (q, J = 272.5 Hz), 125.3 (q, J = 3.4 Hz), 129.1, 130.0, 132.1 (q, J = 31.2 Hz), 141.8, 142.7, 146.9, 151.8, 159.0, 159.1, 165.8; HPLC $t_R = 6.54$ min; ES-MS m/z 451.41 $(M + H)^+$. Anal. Calcd for $C_{21}H_{21}F_3N_4O_2S$: C, 55.99; H, 4.70; N, 12.44. Found: C, 55.61; H, 4.53; N, 12.24.

General Procedure for Liebeskind−Srogl Cross-Coupling Reaction on Derivative 10a at C-8. To a mixture of 2-phenyl-4 diethylamino-8-methylsulfanylpyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester 10a (54 mg, 0.14 mmol), a boronic acid (0.14 mmol), copper(I) thiophene-2-carboxylate (27 mg, 0.14 mmol), and $Pd(PPh₃)₄$ (8 mg, 0.007 mmol) was added dioxane (3.0 mL) under inert atmosphere. The reaction was stirred at 90 °C and monitored by LCMS. After 3.5 h, a saturated solution of $NaHCO₃$ (10 mL) was added, and the desired product was extracted with DCM $(3 \times 10 \text{ mL})$. Combined organic layers were washed with brine (10 mL), dried over Na2SO4, and filtered on Celite. After evaporation of the solvents, the resulting solid was triturated in MeOH, filtered and dried under vacuum to afford derivatives 11a to 11c.

4-Diethylamino-2,8-diphenylpyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine-6-car**boxylic acid methyl ester (11a:).** yield = 84%; yellow solid; mp 147−147 °C; IR ν_{max} 2921, 1737, 1524, 1231 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.25−1.65 (br m, 6H), 3.75−4.20 (br m, 2H), 4..02 (s, 2H), 4.20−4.55 (br m, 2H), 7.43−7.45 (m, 3H), 7.49−7.58 (m, 3H), 7.91−7.94 (m, 2H), 8.38 (s, 1H), 8.45−8.49 (m, 2H); 13C NMR $(75.47 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3)$ δ 10.9, 13.0, 46.7, 52.6, 126.6, 128.1, 128.2, 128.7, 128.9, 130.6, 130.7, 136.3, 136.6, 139.2, 142.5, 146.7, 150.2, 151.4, 159.2, 160.8; HPLC t_R = 5.09 min; ES-MS m/z 428.99 (M + H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for $C_{25}H_{24}N_4O_2$: C, 72.80; H, 5.86; N, 13.58. Found: C, 72.58; H, 5.46; N, 13.83.

2-Phenyl-4-diethylamino-8-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrido[3,2 d]pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester (11b): $yield = 88\%;$ yellow solid; mp 165−166 °C; IR $\nu_{\rm max}$ 1715, 1511, 1242 cm $^{-1}$; $^1\rm H$ NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.30−1.65 (br m, 6H), 3.80−4.20 (br m, 2H), 3.93 (s, 3H), 4.02 (s, 3H), 4.20−4.60 (br m, 2H), 7.10 (d, J = 8 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (m, 3H), 7.92 (d, J = 8 Hz, 2H), 8.36 (s, 1H), 8.47– 8.49 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75.47 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 13.7, 14.3, 46.6, 52.7, 55.4, 113.6, 125.9, 128.2, 128.8, 129.0, 130.4, 132.2, 133.0, 138.7, 142.4, 146.3, 147.1, 159.3, 160.2, 160.7, 165.7; HPLC $t_R = 4.93$ min;

ES-MS m/z 443.09 (M + H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₂₆H₂₆N₄O₃: C, 70.57; H, 5.92; N, 12.66. Found: C, 70.38; H, 6.05; N, 12.48.

2-Phenyl-4-diethylamino-8-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl) pyrido[3,2-d]pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid methyl ester (11c): yield = 87%; yellow solid; mp 193−194 °C; IR $\nu_{\rm max}$ 1712, 1521, 1320 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.35–1.65 (br m, 6H), 3.85– 4.20 (br m, 2H), 4.03 (s, 3H), 4.25−4.65 (br s, 2H), 7.45−7.47 (m, 3H), 7.80 (d, J = 8 Hz, 2H), 7.98 (d, J = 8 Hz, 2H), 8.37 (s, 1H), 8.44−8.46 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75.47 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.1, 14.4, 46.7, 52.8, 124.2 (q, $J = 272.2$ Hz), 125.0 (q, $J = 3.6$ Hz), 126.6, 128.5, 128.9, 130.6 (q, J = 32.6 Hz), 130.8, 131.2, 133.2, 138.6, 140.5, 142.5, 145.3, 147.2, 159.2, 161.4, 165.5; HPLC $t_R = 6.23$ min; ES-MS m/z 481.16 $(M + H)^+$. .

■ ASSOCIATED CONTENT

6 Supporting Information

 H and H ³C NMR spectra of the synthesized compounds and ORTEP representation of 5c and 6c. This material is available free of charge via the Internet at http://pubs.acs.org.

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