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THE [4+2] CYCLOADDITION REACTIONS OF 3-AMINO-1-(4-NITROPHENYL)-PROP-2-ENE-1-THIONE WITH ELECTROPHILIC OLEFINS AND ACETYLENES

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Abstract—Enamino-thiones **1** prepared from the corresponding enamines by thiation with Lawesson's Reagent, were allowed to react with 2-chloroacrylonitrile and dimethyl acetylenedicarboxylate giving dihydro-2H-thiopyrans, **2**, and 4H-thiopyrans, **3**, respectively. The reaction of **1a** with ethyl propiolate at room temperature afforded 4H-thiopyrans, **4a**, which on standing rearranged to 2H-thiopyran, **5a** (1, 3 amide shift). The reaction of **1b** with ethyl propiolate produced **4b** and **5b**. Some of the ¹³C NMR data are reported.

Enamino-thiones are known to be useful synthetic intermediates, e.g. in the preparation of thiophenes,¹ thiopyrans^{2,3} and isothiazoles.^{4,5} Recently, we reported⁶ on the [4+2] cycloaddition reactions of 1-aryl-3-amino (N,N-disubstituted)-propene-1-thiones with electrophilic olefins and acetylenes (Scheme 1).

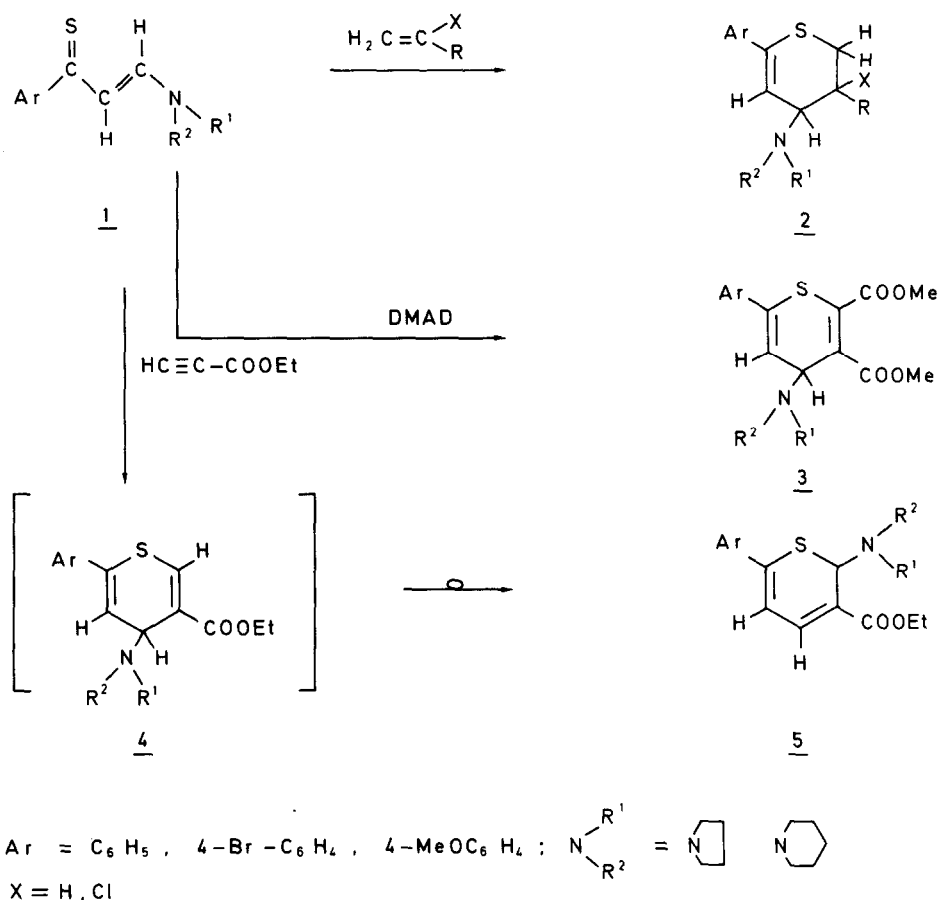
It was not possible to isolate the 4H-thiopyran, **4**, but only the 2H-thiopyran, **5**. In our attempts to isolate intermediates of type **4** we have prepared and reacted some enamino-thiones (Ar = 4-NO₂C₆H₄) with electrophilic olefins and acetylenes. This paper reports the results.

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RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

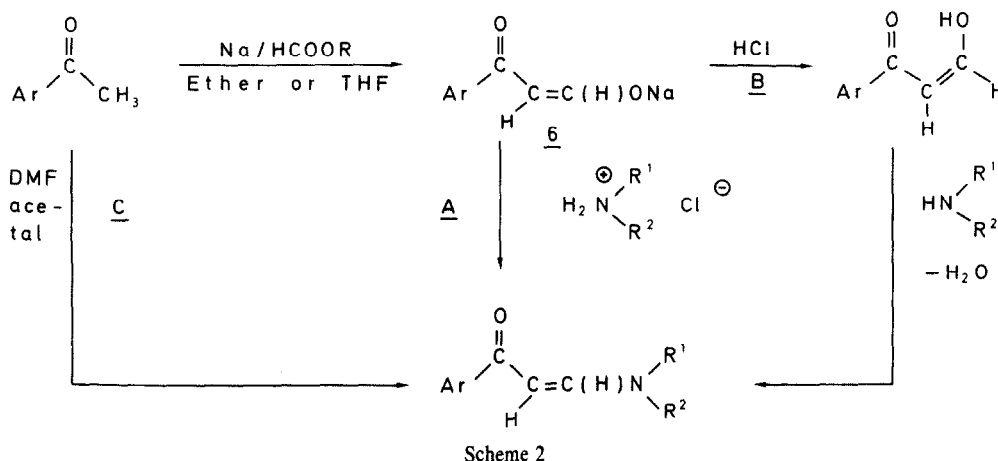
Earlier it was shown⁷ that enamines are prepared in excellent yields by Route A⁸ (Scheme 2). However, when Ar is equal to 4-nitrophenyl only low yields of the



Scheme 1.

desired enaminones, **7**, are obtained. Alternatively,⁹ Route B is used and it gives high yields of enaminones from the sodium salt, **6**. For $R^1 = R^2 = \text{CH}_3$, the best method to prepare **7c** is by Route C.¹⁰⁻¹²

In the ¹H NMR spectrum of **2a** the hydrogens at C(2) show an AB structure and shifts at δ_A 3.37 and δ_B 3.70 ($J_{\text{HH}} = 13.5 \text{ Hz}$).¹⁴ A doublet is observed at δ 3.90 ($J = 5.8 \text{ Hz}$) and δ 6.25 ($J = 5.8 \text{ Hz}$) assigned to the hydrogens

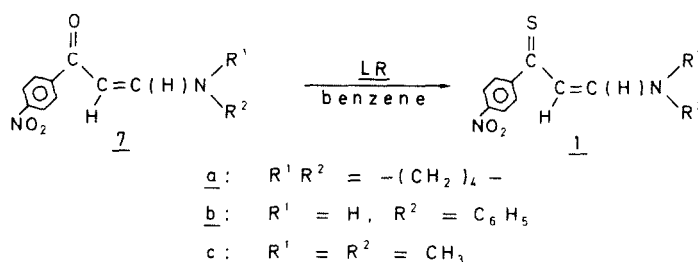


The prepared enaminones **7** are allowed to react with 2, 4-bis(4-methoxyphenyl)-1, 3, 2, 4-dithiadiphosphetane 2,4-disulfide, Lawesson's Reagent (LR), in benzene at room temperature giving the corresponding enaminothiones, **1**, in high yields (Scheme 3). The compounds **7** and **1** are characterized by means of ¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR, IR, UV and MS. The configuration of the double-bond is E for **7a**, **7c**, **1a** and **1c** (¹H NMR $J_{\text{H}^2\text{H}^3} > 11 \text{ Hz}$), but two rotamers around the C(1)-C(2) bond are observed (E-s-E \rightleftharpoons E-s-Z). Compounds **7b** and **1b** exist in equilibrium between E-s-Z and Z-s-Z depending on the solvent (¹H NMR, CDCl_3): < 5% E-s-Z; (DMSO): $\approx 50\%$ E-s-Z.

at C(4) and C(5), respectively. The ¹H NMR spectrum of **2b** shows a singlet for the hydrogens at C(2) (δ 3.65). Two doublets at δ 4.60 and 5.96 ($J = 4.0 \text{ Hz}$) are observed for the hydrogens at C(4) and C(5), respectively. In MS the base peak, for both **2a** and **2b**, is m/e 244 ($\text{M}^+ - \text{Cl-amine}$), while M^+ and $\text{M}^+ - \text{amine}$ are not observed. The assignment of the ¹³C NMR spectra¹⁵ (Table 1) for **2a** and **2b** is made by off resonance decoupled spectra.

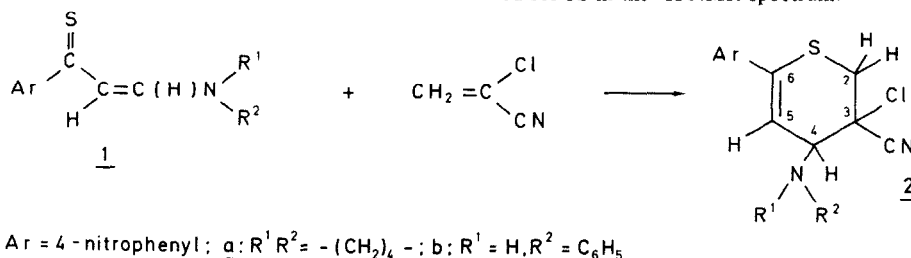
When treating **1a** and **1b** with dimethyl acetylenedicarboxylate in benzene at room temperature 4H-thiopyrans, **3**, are formed in quantitative yields (Scheme 5).

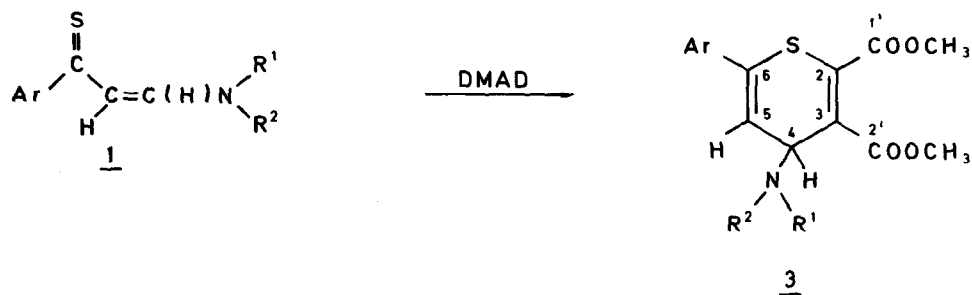
The general mass fragmentation patterns of **3** are as described earlier.⁶ In the ¹H NMR spectra a difference



The enamino-thiones, **1a** and **1b**, in benzene at room temperature undergo a [4 + 2] regioselective cycloaddition reaction with 2-chloroacrylonitrile, a ketene equivalent,¹³ giving the dihydro-2H-thiopyrans **2** (Scheme 4) in quantitative yields.

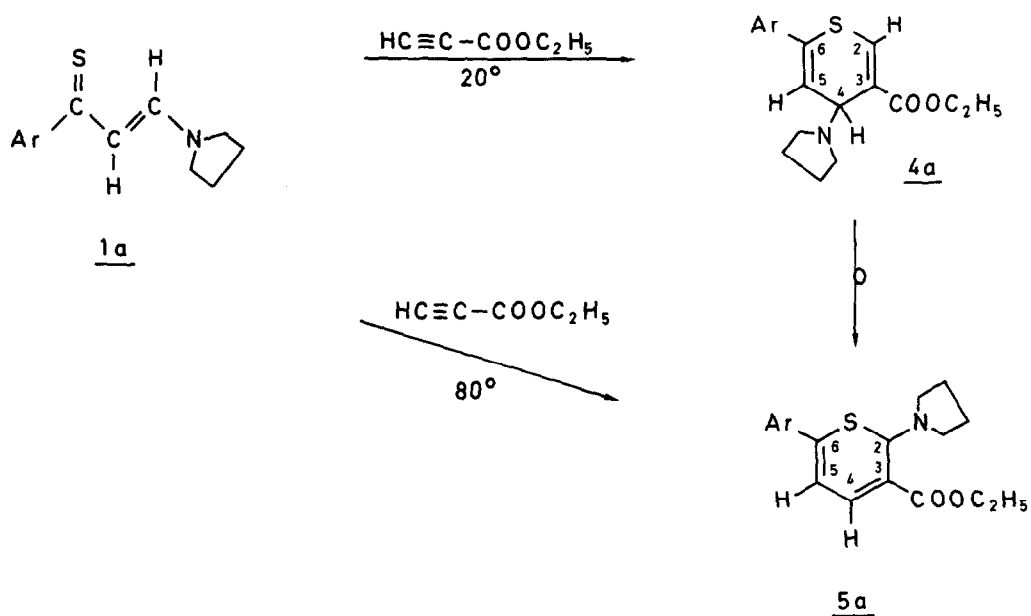
between **3a** and **3b** is observed for the coupling constant between H(4) and H(5) ($\Delta J = 0.5 \text{ Hz}$). This effect is also reflected in the ¹³C NMR spectra (assigned as described earlier, Table 1) where C(1'), C(2) and C(4) shift at lower field for **3b** than for **3a**. Hydrogen bonding is not observed for **3b** in the ¹H NMR spectrum.





Ar = 4-nitrophenyl; a: R¹R² = -(CH₂)₄ -; b: R¹ = H, R² = C₆H₅

Scheme 5.



Scheme 6.

Table 1. ¹³C NMR data for the thiopyrans 2, 3, 4, 5 (δ vs TMS)

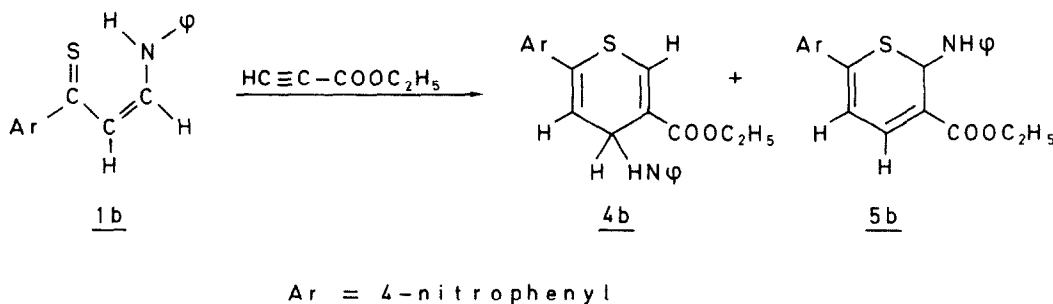
Comp.	ass.	c(2)	c(3)	c(4)	c(5)	c(6)	c(1')	c(2')
<u>2a</u>		34.77	55.95	63.92	116.62	134.04	117.71 [†]	-
<u>2b</u> [*]		35.52	59.13	58.72	119.57	133.66	118.03 [†]	-
<u>3a</u>		133.28	125.16	54.72	118.73	132.85	163.91	166.60
<u>3b</u>		142.21	127.02	69.16	114.87	135.60	171.11	166.01
<u>4a</u>		143.27	119.90	50.75	120.54	133.28	165.01	-
<u>5a</u>		61.40	116.69	133.05	117.74	144.21	166.80	
<u>5b</u>		52.54	118.54	133.12	118.54	142.95	165.66	

^{*}d₆-(CH₃)₂CO₂ + CN

When allowing enamino-thiones to react with ethyl propiolate 4H-thiopyrans are formed,⁶ but they rearrange to the more stable 2H-thiopyrans. Earlier⁶ we were not able to isolate the 4H-thiopyrans, but for 1, Ar = *p*-nitrophenyl this is possible. The product from 1a and ethyl propiolate, 4a, is formed in quantitative yields at room temperature. When the reaction is performed at 80° (Scheme 6) only 5a is isolated.

Compound 4a is unstable and rearranges on storage, even at -20°. It is characterized by means of MS, ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR. The ¹H NMR shifts are found at δ 4.95 (J = 6.2 Hz), δ 6.35 (J = 6.2 Hz) and δ 7.83 (s) for the thiopyran ring, in accordance with those of 2a. The assignment of the ¹³C NMR spectrum (Table 1) is made by off resonance decoupled spectra. Compound 5a was characterized as described earlier.⁶

Also 1b was allowed to react with ethyl propiolate. The reaction is very slow at room temperature, but at 80° 1b is consumed in 1 h and the reaction mixture consists of both 4b and 5b (Scheme 7)



Scheme 7.

In the ¹H NMR spectrum the characteristic two doublets at δ 4.80 and 6.30 of the thiopyran ring and also two lowfield NH hydrogens are observed. Compound 5b was characterized by means of MS, ¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR and microanalyses.

Similar 4H- → 2H-thiopyran rearrangements have been observed for hydrogen,¹⁶ catalyzed by thiopyrylium cations, and benzyl,¹⁷ catalyzed by HCl.

EXPERIMENTAL

¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR and MS are obtained as described earlier.⁶ Coupling constants are given as [J]. M.p.'s are uncorrected. Microanalyses were carried out by Iøvens Kemiske Fabrik, DK-2750 Ballerup (Microanalytical Laboratory). The exact mass spectra were obtained on a Varian MAT 311A by electron impact (70 eV) and using the direct insertion system. 2,4-Bis(4-methoxyphenyl)-1,3,2,4-dithiadiphosphetane 2,4-disulfide, Lawson's Reagent (LR), is commercially available from Fluka AG, CH-9470 Buchs 1.

Preparation of enaminothiones 7. 0.25 Mol (41.25 g) of 4-nitroacetophenone and 0.375 mol (22.5 g) of methyl formate in 100 ml THF were added dropwise (vigorous stirring) to 0.25 mol (13.5 g) NaOCH₃ in 100 ml anhydrous and redistilled THF (N₂). The solvent was evaporated after 2 h and the sodium salt 6 was isolated in 90% yield.

Route A. To the sodium salt, 6, dissolved in C₂H₅OH, was added pyrrolidinium chloride or anilinium chloride giving 7a (8%) or 7b (20%), respectively.

Route B. The sodium salt, 6, was dissolved in H₂O and acidified with dilute HCl, followed by extraction with CH₂Cl₂. The solvent was evaporated yielding 95% crude product, 4-nitrobenzoylacetaldhyde. 30 mmol (5.79 g) of the latter and 30 mmol (2.13 g) pyrrolidine in 100 ml benzene were refluxed for

3 h with a Dean-Stark water-separator, yielding, after evaporation of the solvent and recrystallization from CH₂Cl₂/petroleum, 60% of 1-(4-nitrophenyl)-3-(1-pyrrolidinyl)-propen-1-one, 7a. M.p. 137°. MS: *m/e* 246 (M⁺). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): 1.8-2.1 (4H, m), 3.25 (2H, m), 3.55 (2H, m), 5.55* (1H, d, J 12 Hz), 7.92* (1H, d, J 12 Hz), 7.86 (2H, d, J 9 Hz), 8.13 (2H, d, J 9 Hz). [*Using DMSO (d₆) as solvent the signals for H(2) and H(3) are broadened and shifted 0.2 and 0.1 ppm downfield, respectively.] ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 24.81 (CH₂), 46.97 (CH₂-N), 52.40 (CH₂-N), 92.50 (C(2)), 123.00 (C(3')), 128.00 (C(2')), 145.87 (C(1')), 148.57 (C(4')), 150.64 (C(3)), 185.27 (C(1)).

3-Anilino-1-(4-nitrophenyl)-propen-1-one 7b. The same procedure (Route B) as used for 7a. Yield 70%, m.p. 172-173° (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum). MS: *m/e* 268 (M⁺). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 5.95 (1H, d, J 8 Hz), 6.90-7.50 (5H, m), 7.55 (1H, dd, J 8 and 13 Hz), 8.00 (2H, d, J 9 Hz), 8.25 (2H, d, J 9 Hz), 12.5 (broad). ¹H NMR (DMSO (d₆)): δ 6.16 (0.5H, d, J 7.8 Hz), 6.42 (0.5H, d, J 12.2 Hz), 7.0-7.5 (5H, m), 7.9-8.4 (5H, m), 10.6 (0.5H, d, J 13 Hz), 12.25 (0.5H, d, J 13 Hz).

Route C. 3-N,N-Dimethylamino-1-(4-nitrophenyl)-propen-1-one 7c. To 10 mmol of 4-nitroacetophenone, dissolved in 20 ml CH₃CN were added 10 mmol of dimethylformamide-dieopen-

tylacetal in 5 ml CH₃CN. The mixture was refluxed until the 4-nitroacetophenone was consumed (TLC, 2h), followed by evaporation of the solvent. The black, dry residue was dissolved in hot C₂H₅OH and H₂O was added, whereby 7c precipitated. Yield 70% (C₂H₅OH), m.p. 150°. MS: *m/e* 228 (M⁺). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 3.00 (3H, s, broad), 3.15 (3H, s, broad), 5.65 (1H, d, J 12.2 Hz), 7.80 (1H, d, J 12.2 Hz), 7.95 (2H, d, J 9 Hz), 8.20 (2H, d, J 9 Hz). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 37.43 (CH₃), 45.28 (CH₃), 91.92 (C(2)), 123.35 (C(3')), 128.35 (C(2')), 146.12 (C(1')), 148.98 (C(4')), 155.22 (C(3)), 185.84 (C(1)).

General procedure for preparation of enaminothiones 1. To 10 mmol of 7 dissolved or suspended in 50 ml anhydrous benzene were added 5 mmol (2.02 g) of LR at room temp. When 7 was consumed (TLC) the solvent was evaporated and the residue dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ followed by treatment with 1% NaOH (25 ml). After separation and evaporation of the solvent the crude mixture was filtered through a column.

1-(4-Nitrophenyl)-3-(1-pyrrolidinyl)-propene-1-thione 1a. Reaction time 1 h. Column chromatography: Al₂O₃, 75% CH₂Cl₂/petroleum as eluent. Yield 70% m.p. 172°. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 1.75-2.30 (4H, m), 3.45 (2H, m), 3.80 (2H, m), 6.50 (1H, d, J 11.5 Hz, broad), 7.50-8.30 (4.3H, m), 8.65 (0.7H, d, J 11.5 Hz, broad). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): 24.51 (CH₂), 48.29 (CH₂-N), 53.59 (CH₂-N), 113.56 (C(2)), 122.58 (C(3')), 127.29 (C(2')), 147.44 (C(4')), 153.05 (C(3')), 153.49 (C(3)), 208.53 (C(1)). Mass spectrum calc. for C₁₃H₁₄N₂O₂S *m/e* 262.0776, found: *m/e* 262.0776.

3-Anilino-1-(4-nitrophenyl)-propene-1-thione 1b. Reaction time 6 h. Column chromatography: SiO₂, 75% CH₂Cl₂/petroleum as eluent. Yield 90%, m.p. 167°. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 6.60-7.50 (5H, m), 6.70 (1H, d, J 7.8 Hz), 7.85 (1H, dd, J 7.8 and 13 Hz), 7.80 (2H, d, J 9 Hz), 8.20 (2H, d, J 9 Hz), 15.5 (1H, broad). ¹H NMR (DMSO (d₆)): δ 6.85 (0.5H, d, J 7.5 Hz), 7.10 (0.5H, d, J 12 Hz), 7.10-7.60 (5H, m), 7.70-8.30 (4.5H, m), 8.45 (0.5H, dd, J 7.5 and 13 Hz), 11.25 (0.5H, broad), 15.25 (0.5H, d, 13 Hz). Mass spectrum calc. for C₁₅H₁₂N₂O₂S *m/e* 284.0620, found: *m/e* 284.0620.

3-N,N-Dimethylamino-1-(4-nitrophenyl)-propene-1-thione **1c**. Reaction time 1 h. Column chromatography: Al₂O₃, 75% CH₂Cl₂/petroleum as eluent. Yield 80%, m.p. 142°. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 3.10 (3H, s), 3.30 (3H, s, broad), 6.58 (1H, d, J 11 Hz, broad), 7.60–8.20 (4.4H, m), 8.35 (0.6H, d, J 11 Hz). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 38.67 (CH₃), 46.45 (CH₃), 111.82 (C(2)), 123.11 (C(3')), 127.78 (C(2')), 147.92 (C(4')), 153.55 (C(1')), 158.10 (C(3)), 210.79 (C(1)). Mass spectrum calc. for C₁₁H₁₂N₂O₂S *m/e* 236.0620, found: *m/e* 236.0627.

Reaction of 1 with 2-chloroacrylonitrile. To 2.5 mmol of **1** dissolved in 20 ml benzene were added with stirring at room temp. 2.5 mmol 2-chloroacrylonitrile in 5 ml benzene. When **1** was consumed (1–1.5 h) the solvent was evaporated and ¹H NMR spectra were obtained directly on the crude mixture.

3-Chloro-3-cyano-3,4-dihydro-6-(4-nitrophenyl)-4-(1-pyrrolidinyl)-2H-thiopyran, **2a**. Yield quantitative, purity >95%, MS: *m/e* 314 (M⁺-Cl), 313 (M⁺-HCl). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 1.60–1.90 (4H, m), 2.80–3.30 (4H, m), 3.35* (1H, d, J 13 Hz), 3.70* (1H, d, J 13 Hz), 3.90 (1H, d, J 5.4 Hz), 6.05 (1H, d, J 5.4 Hz), 7.55 (2H, d, J 9 Hz), 8.13 (2H, d, J 9 Hz). [*AB spectrum.]

4-Anilino-3-chloro-3-cyano-3,4-dihydro-6-(4-nitrophenyl)-2H-thiopyran **2b**. Yield quantitative, purity >95%. MS: *m/e* 366 (M⁺-Cl), 335 (M⁺-HCl). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 3.65 (2H, s), 3.95 (1H, broad, NH), 4.60 (1H, d, J 4 Hz), 5.96 (1H, d, J 4 Hz), 6.70–7.35 (5H, m), 7.55 (2H, d, J 9 Hz), 8.10 (2H, d, J 9 Hz).

Reactions of 1 with dimethyl acetylenedicarboxylate (DMAD). To 2.5 mmol of **1** dissolved in 20 ml benzene were added with stirring at room temp. 3.7 mmol DMAD in 5 ml benzene. After **1** had been consumed (0.25–0.5 h) the solvent was evaporated and ¹H NMR spectra were obtained directly from the crude mixture.

2,3-Dimethoxycarbonyl-6-(4-nitrophenyl)-4-(1-pyrrolidinyl)-4H-thiopyran **3a**. Quantitative yield. MS: *m/e* (ass. % rel. int.) 404 (M⁺, 5), 345 (M⁺-COOCH₃, 100), 334 (M⁺-N□, 50), 276 (M⁺-128.50). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 1.60–1.90 (4H, m), 2.55–2.90 (4H, m), 3.80 (6H, s), 4.95 (1H, d, J 6 Hz), 6.32 (1H, d, J 6 Hz), 7.65 (2H, d, J 9 Hz), 8.22 (2H, d, J 9 Hz).

4-Anilino-2,3-bis(dimethoxycarbonyl)-6-(4-nitrophenyl)-4H-thiopyran **3b**. Yield quantitative. MS: *m/e* (ass. % rel. int.) 426 (M⁺, 5), 424 (M⁺-2H, 50), 367 (M⁺-COOCH₃, 90), 334 (M⁺-NHC₆H₅, 10), 276 (M⁺-150, 100). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 3.82 (6H, s), 5.50 (1H, dd, J 5.5 Hz, J 10 Hz), 6.40 (1H, d, J 5.5 Hz), 6.70–7.30 (5H, m), 7.60 (2H, d, J 9 Hz), 8.18 (2H, d, J 9 Hz).

3-Ethoxycarbonyl-6-(4-nitrophenyl)-4-(1-pyrrolidinyl)-4H-thiopyran **4a**. To a stirred solution of 1.0 mmol **1a** in 15 ml benzene was added at room temp. 1.1 mmol ethyl propiolate in 5 ml benzene. When **1a** was consumed (15 min) the solvent was evaporated and a ¹H NMR spectrum was run immediately. Yield quantitative, purity >95%. MS: *m/e* (ass. % rel. int.) 360 (M⁺, 2), 315 (M⁺-OC₂H₅, 10), 290 (M⁺-N□, 60), 287 (M⁺-COOC₂H₅, 100). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 1.30 (3H, t, J 7.2 Hz), 1.50–1.80 (4H, m), 2.45–2.80 (4H, m), 4.25 (2H, q, J 7.2 Hz), 4.95 (1H, d, J 6.2 Hz), 6.35 (1H, d, J 6.2 Hz), 7.57 (2H, d, J 9 Hz), 7.83 (1H, s), 8.15 (2H, d, J 9 Hz). Compound **4a** is unstable. After 8 days at -20° a ¹H NMR spectrum shows the **5a** to **4a** ratio of 3:2. Impurities are estimated to be less than 5%.

3-Ethoxycarbonyl-6-(4-nitrophenyl)-2-(1-pyrrolidinyl)-2H-thiopyran **5a**. To 1.0 mmol of **1a** dissolved in 15 ml benzene were added at reflux temp. (80°) 1.1 mmol ethyl propiolate. When **1a** was consumed (5 min) two products were obtained, one of which was transformed into **5a** on continued heating. Yield quantitative, purity >95%. MS: *m/e* (ass. % rel. int.) 360 (M⁺, 5), 290 (M⁺-N□, 15), 287 (M⁺-COOC₂H₅, 100). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 5.78

(1H, s), 6.76 (1H, d, J 7.5 Hz), 7.50 (1H, d, J 7.5 Hz), 7.77 (2H, d, J 9 Hz), 8.18 (2H, d, J 9 Hz). The remaining resonances as for **4a**.

Reaction of 1b with ethyl propiolate. To 1.0 mmol of **1b** suspended in 15 ml benzene were added 1.1 mmol ethyl propiolate at room temp. with stirring. After 2 h two products could be detected, but the major part of **1b** was not consumed. However, by raising the temperature to 80° the reaction was finished within 1 h. The solvent was evaporated and a ¹H NMR spectrum was obtained immediately, showing a 3:7 ratio of **4b** to **5b** (overall yield quantitative). By further heating (80°) of the crude mixture only decomposition took place.

4-Anilino-3-ethoxycarbonyl-6-(4-nitrophenyl)-4H-thiopyran **4b**. Not pure but obtained as a mixture with **5b**. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 4.80 (1H, d, J 6 Hz), 6.30 (1H, d, J 6 Hz), 9.80 (0.5H, broad), 10.15 (0.5H, broad). The remaining resonances are not clearly resolved (6.6–8.4).

2-Anilino-3-ethoxycarbonyl-6-(4-nitrophenyl)-2H-thiopyran **5b**. To a CHCl₃ solution of the crude reaction mixture was added petroleum ether, whereby **5b** precipitated. M.p. 140–145° (decomp.). MS: *m/e* (ass. % rel. int.) 382 (M⁺-COOEt, 20), 290 (M⁺-NHC₆H₅, 100). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 1.35 (3H, t, J 7 Hz), 3.90 (1H, d, J 11 Hz, broad), 4.32 (2H, q, J 7 Hz), 6.11 (1H, d, J 11 Hz), 7.10 (1H, d, J 6 Hz), 6.70–7.40* (6H, m), 7.56 (1H, d, J 6 Hz), 7.70 (2H, d, J 9 Hz), 8.17 (2H, d, J 9 Hz). [*Integral includes δ 7.10.] Microanalyses: C, H, N, S.

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