1,3,4-Thia- and -Selenadiazole and 1,2,4-Triazolo[4,3-a]pyrimidine Derivatives from Hydrazonoyl Halides

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ABSTRACT: 1,2,4-Triazolo[4,3-a]pyrimidines, thiadiazolines, selenadiazolines, and unsymmetrical azines were synthesized via reactions of a 4-isopropylbenzoyl bromide 4-nitrophenylhydrazone with each of potassium thiocyanate, potassium selenocyanate, ethyl 6-methyl-4-[4-(methylethyl)phenyl]-2-methylthio-3,4-dihydropyrimidine-5-carboxylate, and alkyl carbodithioate. © 2003 Wiley Periodicals, Inc. Heteroatom Chem 14:421–426, 2003; Published online in Wiley InterScience (www.interscience.wiley.com). DOI 10.1002/hc.10156

INTRODUCTION

Hydrazonoyl halides have been widely employed for the synthesis of heterocyclic compounds [2–4]. 1,3,4-Thiadiazole derivatives have become useful in medicine, agriculture, and in many fields of technology [5]. As an extension of our study [6–10] and of our syntheses of 1,3,4-thiadiazoles, we report here the reactivity of hydrazonoyl halides toward some alkyl carbodithioates, potassium thiocyanate, potassium selenocyanate, and pyrimidine thione.

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RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Treatment of 4-isopropylbenzoyl bromide 4-nitrophenylhydrazone (1) [11] with methyl carbodithioate **2aA** [12] in ethanolic triethylamine at room temperature gave benzaldehyde 3-(4-nitrophenyl)-5-(4-isopropylphenyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2(3*H*)-ylidenehydrazone (**4a**) (Scheme 1).

The structure of **4a** was confirmed by elemental analysis, spectral data, and alternative synthesis. ¹H NMR of **4a** showed signals at $\delta = 1.26$ (d, 6H, (CH₃)₂CH—), 2.95 (sept, 1H, (CH₃)₂CH—), and 6.97–8.53 (m, 14H, ArH and CH (vinyl)). Also, treatment of **1** with each of **2aB** [13] and **2aC** [13] in ethanolic triethylamine gave a product identical in all respects (mp, mixed mp, and spectra) with **4a**.

Similarly, compound 1 reacted with other alkyl carbodithioates **2b-q(A-C)** [12,13] to give the 1,3,4-thiadiazole derivatives **4b-q**, respectively. Products **4a-q** are assumed to be formed via elimination of alkanethiol (R¹SH) from the corresponding cycloadduct **3**, which formed from 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition (or 1,3-addition) of nitrile imide (generated in situ from **1** and triethylamine) to C=S **2** (Scheme 1).

Moreover, treatment of **1** with each of potassium thiocyanate and potassium selenocyanate gave 5-[4-(methylethyl)phenyl]-3-(4-nitrophenyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2(3*H*)imine (**6a**) and 5-[4-methylethyl)phenyl]-3-(4-nitrophenyl)-1,3,4-selenadiazol-2(3*H*)imine (**6b**), respectively. The structures of **6a** and **6b** were elucidated on the basis of elemental analyses, spectral data, an alternative synthesis, and

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its nitrosation and acylation reactions. The 1H NMR spectrum of **6a** showed signals at $\delta = 1.29$ (d, 6H, (CH₃)₂CH—), 2.97 (sept, 1H, (CH₃)₂CH—), and 7.25–8.42 (m, 9H, ArH and NH). The IR of **6a** and **6b** each revealed a band at $\nu = 3380$ cm⁻¹ (NH) and no absorption bands in $\nu = 2000$ –2200 cm⁻¹ due to free SCN or SeCN. Also, treatment of **1** with thiourea in boiling ethanol gave a product identical in all respects (mp, mixed mp, and spectra) with **6a**. These results indicate that hydrazone **5**, amidiazone **7**, or 2,2-diaminothiadiazoline **8** are not the final products, and that **5** and **8** readily gave **6a** either by cyclization or by elimination of one molecule of ammonia (Scheme 2).

Acylation of each **6a** and **6b** with acetic anhydride or with benzoyl chloride in pyridine afforded 5-[4-(methylethyl)phenyl]-3-(4-nitrophenyl)-(1,3,4-thia/selenadiazolin-2-ylidene)amide (**11a,b**), and benzamide (**12a,b**), respectively. Spectral data and elemental analyses confirmed their structures. ¹H NMR spectrum of **11a** showed signals at $\delta = 1.30$ (d, 6H, (CH₃)₂CH-), 2.40 (s, 3H, CH₃CON=), 3.00 (sept, 1H, (CH₃)₂CH-), and 7.25-8.48 (m, 8H, ArH). Its IR revealed a band at $\nu = 1640$ cm $^{-1}$ (CH₃CON=).

Nitrosation of each **6a** and **6b** with saturated sodium nitrite in acetic acid at $0-5^{\circ}$ C gave *N*-nitroso-5-[4-(methylethyl)phenyl]-3-(4-nitrophenyl)-1,3,4-thia/selenadiazol-2(3*H*)imine (**9a,b**), respectively.

5-[4-(Methylethyl)phenyl]-3-(4-nitrophenyl)-1,3, 4-thia/selenadiazolin-2-one (**10a,b**) were prepared

SCHEME 2

by thermolysis of **9a** and **9b** in boiling xylene. IR spectra of **10a,b** revealed a band near $\nu = 1685 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ (CO).

Next, treatment of ethyl 4-methyl-6-[4-(methylethyl)phenyl]-2-thioxo-1,3,6-trihydropyrimidine-5carboxylate (13) with the hydrazonoyl halides 14a-g in chloroform and triethylamine gave the 1,2,4triazolo[4,3-a]pyrimidine-5-carboxylates 18a-g, respectively. The structure of 18 was elucidated on the base of elemental analysis, spectra, and alternative synthesis. ¹H NMR spectrum of **18a** showed signals at $\delta = 1.18$ (d, 6H, (CH₃)₂CH)), 1.25 (t, 3H, CH₂CH₃), 2.52 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.83 (sept, 1H, (CH₃)₂CH–)), 3.94 $(s,3H,OCH_3)$, 4.12 $(q,2H,CH_2CH_3)$, 6.83 (s,1H,CH), and 7.07-8.21 (m, 9H, ArH). Its IR spectrum revealed bands at $\nu = 1735$ and 1689 cm⁻¹ (CO). Ethyl 6-methyl-4-[4-(methylethyl)phenyl]-2-methylthio-3,4-dihydropyrimidine-5-carboxylate (19) reacted with the appropriate hydrazonovl halides 14a-g in boiling ethanolic sodium ethoxide solution gave products identical in all respects (mp, mixed mp, and spectra) with the corresponding 18a-g.

The formation of **18** can be explained via 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition or 1,3-addition of nitrile imides **15** (prepared in situ from hydrazonoyl halides **14** with triethylamine or sodium ethoxide) to C=S of **13** (or C=N of **19)** to give intermediate **16** (or **20**), with ring opening and ring closure to afford the final products **18** by elimination of hydrogen sulfide (or methyl mercaptan from **20**) (Scheme 3).

Treatment of 1 with methyl benzoylhydrazinecarbodithioate (21a) in ethanolic triethylamine gave

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2,3-dihydro-1,3,4-thiadiazole 23 (Scheme 4). Its structure was elucidated on the basis of elemental analysis, spectral data, and alternative synthesis. ¹H NMR spectrum showed signals at $\delta = 1.20$ (d, 6H, $(CH_3)_2CH$ —), 2.96 (sept, 1H, $(CH_3)_2CH$ —), 7.20–8.35 (m, 13H, ArH), and 8.42 (s, br, 1H, NH). Treatment of 1 with each of 21b and 21c gave products identical in all respects (mp, mixed mp, and spectra) with **23**.

Finally, treatment of 1 with each of sodium benzenethiolate and sodium benzenesulfinate in ethanol afforded the hydrazones 24 and 25, respectively (Scheme 5). Compound 24 was easily oxidized by

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hydrogen peroxide in acetic acid to give a product identical in all respects (mp, mixed mp, and spectra) with compound 25.

EXPERIMENTAL

All melting points were determined on an electrothermal apparatus and are uncorrected. IR spectra were recorded (KBr discs) on a Shimadzu FT-IR 8201 PC spectrophotometer. ¹H NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl₃ and (CD₃)₂SO solutions on a Varian Gemini 300 MHz spectrometer and chemical shifts were expressed in δ units using TMS as internal reference. Elemental analyses were carried out at the Microanalytical Center of the Cairo University. Hydrazonovl halides [14-21] and alkyl carbodithioates [12,13] were prepared as previously reported.

Synthesis of Thiadiazolines **4a-q** and **23**

Triethylamine (0.75 ml, 0.005 mol) was added dropwise with stirring to a mixture of the appropriate alkyl carbodithioates 2a-q(A-C) or 21a-c (0.005 mol) and compound 1 (1.8 g, 0.005 mol) in ethanol (20 ml). The resulting solid, which formed after 30 min, was collected and crystallized from acetic acid and gave the corresponding thiadiazolines **4a-q** and 23, respectively, in a good yield (Tables 1 and 2).

Synthesis of 1,3,4-Thiadiazoline 6a and 1,3,4-Selenadiazoline 6b

Method A. A mixture of 1 (1.8 g, 0.005 mol) and the appropriate amount of potassium thiocyanate (or potassium selenocyanate) (0.006 mol) in ethanol (25 ml) was stirred at room temperature for 3 h. The resulting solid was collected, washed with water, and crystallized from ethanol to give 6a and 6b, respectively (Tables 1 and 2).

TABLE 1 Characterization Data of the Newly Synthesized Compounds

				Analyses: Calcd, Found			
	m.p. (° C)	Yield (%)	Mol. Formula (Mol. Wt)	С	Н	N	S
4a	200-202 (yellow)	89	C ₂₄ H ₂₁ N ₅ O ₂ S (443.53)	64.99, 65.10	4.77, 4.90	15.79, 15.60	7.23, 7.40
4b	178–180 (yellow)	85	$C_{25}H_{23}N_5O_2S$ (457.54)	65.63, 65.80	5.07, 4.99	15.31, 15.30	7.00, 7.20
4c	157–158 (yellow)	80	C ₂₅ H ₂₃ N ₅ O ₃ S (473.54)	63.41, 63.50	4.49, 4.60	14.79, 14.80	6.77, 6.50
4d	162–164 (yellow)	82	$C_{22}H_{19}N_5O_2S_2$ (449.52)	58.78, 58.60	4.26, 4.40	15.58, 15.80	14.26, 14.20
4e 4f	164–165 (yellow) 238–240 (yellow)	84 75	C ₂₂ H ₁₉ N ₅ O ₃ S (433.48) C ₂₃ H ₂₀ N ₆ O ₂ S (444.50)	60.10, 60.20 62.12, 62.00	4.42, 4.30 4.54, 4.60	16.16, 16.20 18.91, 19.10	7.39, 7.10 7.21, 7.30
4g	205–240 (yellow)	73 78	C ₂₆ H ₂₃ N ₅ O ₂ S (469.55)	66.51, 66.40	4.94, 5.10	14.92, 15.00	6.82, 6.70
4h	153–155 (yellow)	88	C ₂₇ H ₂₇ N ₅ O ₂ S (485.59)	66.78, 66.80	5.60, 5.50	14.42, 14.30	6.60, 6.70
4i	226–228 (yellow)	89	$C_{25}H_{21}N_5O_4S$ (487.52)	61.59, 61.60	4.34, 4.50	14.37, 14.40	6.57, 6.30
4j	166–168 (yellow)	90	C ₂₅ H ₂₃ N ₅ O ₂ S (457.54)	65.63, 65.40	5.07, 4.80	15.31, 15.10	7.00, 7.20
4k	221–223 (yellow)	86	$C_{23}H_{21}N_5O_3S$ (447.50)	61.73, 61.70	4.73, 4.80	15.65, 15.50	7.16, 7.10
41	213–215 (yellow)	78	C ₂₃ H ₂₁ N ₅ O ₂ S ₂ (463.55)	59.60, 59.50	4.57, 4.70	15.12, 15.10	13.83, 14.00
4m	188–191 (yellow)	88	$C_{24}H_{22}N_6O_2S$ (458.53)	62.87, 62.70	4.84, 4.50	18.33, 18.20	6.99, 7.10
4n	220-222 (yellow)	89	C ₂₃ H ₂₃ N ₅ O ₂ S (433.52)	63.72, 63.70	5.35, 5.50	16.15, 16.00	7.39, 7.50
40	170–172 (yellow)	69	$C_{24}H_{25}N_5O_2S$ (447.55)	64.41, 64.20	5.63, 5.30	15.65, 15.50	7.16, 6.90
4p	150–152 (yellow)	75	C ₂₅ H ₂₇ N ₅ O ₂ S (461.57)	65.06, 65.10	5.90, 6.00	15.17, 15.00	6.94, 6.80
4q	250–252 (yellow)	74 70	C ₂₈ H ₂₅ N ₅ O ₂ S (495.59)	67.86, 67.60	5.08, 4.90	14.13, 14.00	6.47, 6.50
6a 6b	168–170 (yellow) 114–115 (yellow)	73 78	C ₁₇ H ₁₆ N ₄ O ₂ S (340.39)	59.99, 60.10	4.74, 4.70	16.46, 16.60	9.41, 9.30
9a	145 (pale yellow)	76 72	C ₁₇ H ₁₆ N ₄ O ₂ Se (387.30) C ₁₇ H ₁₅ N ₅ O ₃ S (369.39)	52.72, 52.80 55.28, 55.30	4.16, 4.00 4.09, 4.10	14.47, 14.60 18.96, 19.00	8.68, 8.80
9b	150 (pale yellow)	72 70	C ₁₇ H ₁₅ N ₅ O ₃ Se (416.29)	49.05, 48.90	3.63, 3.70	16.82, 16.90	0.00, 0.00
10a	154–155 (red)	78	C ₁₇ H ₁₅ N ₃ O ₃ S (341.37)	59.81, 59.60	4.42, 4.40	12.31, 12.10	9.39, 9.40
10b	155–157 (red)	77	C ₁₇ H ₁₅ N ₃ O ₃ Se (388.29)	52.58, 52.60	3.89, 3.90	10.82, 10.90	0.00, 0.10
11a	186–188 (pale yellow)	76	C ₁₉ H ₁₈ N ₄ O ₃ S (382.43)	59.67, 60.00	4.74, 4.80	14.65, 14.60	8.38, 8.40
11b	210-212 (pale yellow)	79	C ₁₉ H ₁₈ N ₄ O ₃ Se (429.34)	53.15, 53.20	4.23, 4.30	13.05, 13.10	
12a	172–173 (pale yellow)	82	C ₂₄ H ₂₀ N ₄ O ₃ S (444.50)	64.85, 65.00	4.54, 4.60	12.60, 12.70	7.21, 7.10
12b	165-167 (pale yellow)	77	C ₂₄ H ₂₀ N ₄ O ₃ Se (491.41)	58.66, 58.70	4.00, 3.90	11.40, 11.30	
13	178–180 (yellow)	68	$C_{17}H_{22}N_2O_2S$ (318.42)	64.13, 64.10	6.96, 7.00	8.80, 8.60	10.06, 9.20
18a	119–120 (yellow)	75	C ₂₆ H ₂₈ N ₄ O ₄ (460.54)	67.81, 67.70	6.09, 6.10	12.17, 12.00	
18b	109–110 (yellow)	77	C ₂₇ H ₃₀ N ₄ O ₄ (474.57)	68.33, 68.10	6.37, 6.30	11.81, 11.70	
18c 18d	149–151 (yellow)	76 79	C ₃₁ H ₃₁ N ₅ O ₃ (521.63)	71.38, 71.10	5.99, 6.10	13.43, 13.20	
18e	128–129 (yellow) 120–122 (orange)	79 72	C ₂₆ H ₂₈ N ₄ O ₃ (444.54) C ₃₁ H ₃₀ N ₄ O ₃ (506.61)	70.25, 70.30 73.50, 73.40	6.35, 6.40 6.00, 6.20	12.60, 12.50 11.06, 10.90	
18f	187–188 (orange)	72 70	C ₂₉ H ₂₈ N ₄ O ₃ S (512.62)	67.95, 67.10	5.51, 5.30	10.93, 10.70	6.26, 6.40
18g	113–115 (brown)	77	C ₃₅ H ₃₂ N ₄ O ₃ (556.65)	75.52, 75.30	5.80, 5.60	10.07, 9.80	0.20, 0.40
19	69–70 (colorless)	85	C ₁₈ H ₂₄ N ₂ O ₂ S (332.45)	65.03, 65.10	7.28, 7.40	8.43, 8.30	9.64, 9.50
23	190–192 (yellow)	85	C ₂₄ H ₂₁ N ₅ O ₃ S (459.51)	62.73, 62.90	4.61, 4.50	15.24, 15.30	6.97, 7.10
24	220–222 (yellow)	88	C ₂₂ H ₂₁ N ₃ O ₂ S (391.48)	67.50, 67.30	5.41, 5.60	10.73, 10.80	8.19, 8.30
25	120 (yellow)	77	C ₂₂ H ₂₁ N ₃ O ₄ S (423.48)	62.40, 62.20	5.00, 5.10	9.92, 10.00	7.57, 7.80

Method B. A mixture of 1 (1.8 g, 0.005 mol) and thiourea (0.38 g, 0.005 mol) in ethanol (25 ml) was refluxed for 30 min. The solid product that formed after cooling was collected and crystallized from ethanol. It was identical in all respects (mp, mixed mp, and spectra) with 6a.

Nitrosation of 6a and 6b

A cold saturated solution of sodium nitrite (10 ml) was added dropwise to a solution of **6a** or **6b** (1 g) in acetic acid (20 ml) in an ice bath while stirring. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min. The resulting solid was collected, washed with water, and crystallized from acetone to give **9a** and **9b**, respectively (Tables 1 and 2).

Thermolysis of 9a and 9b

A solution of **9a**, **9b** (0.5 g) in xylene (20 ml) was refluxed for 15 min. Then the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue oil was triturated with petroleum ether (40–60°C) and the solid formed was collected and crystallized from acetic acid to give 1,3,4-thiadiazolinone **10a** and 1,3,4-selenadiazolinone **10b**, respectively (Tables 1 and 2).

Acylation of 6a and 6b

Acetylation. A mixture of **6a** or **6b** (1 g) in acetic acid (10 ml) and acetic anhydride (5 ml) was warmed for 5 min at 70°C. The reaction mixture was poured onto ice water (40 ml). The solid was collected and

TABLE 2 ¹H NMR Spectroscopic Data of Some Synthesized Compounds

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1.26 (d, 6H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 2.37 (s, 3H, 4-CH<sub>3</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 2.97 (sept, 1H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 6.97–8.50 (m, 13H, ArH and CH=N).
 4c
            1.26 (d, 6H, (CH_3)_2CH), 2.98 (sept, 1H, (CH_3)_2CH), 3.84 (s, 3H, 4-CH3OC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 6.97–8.53 (m, 13H, ArH and CH=N).
 4d
            1.28 (d, 6H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 2.98 (sept, 1H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 7.07–8.61 (m, 12H, ArH and CH=N).
  4e
            1.28 (d, 6H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 2.98 (sept, 1H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 6.53–8.52 (m, 12H, ArH's and CH=N).
  4f
            1.28 (d, 6H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 2.98 (sept 1H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 7.25–8.68 (m, 13H, ArH and CH=N).
  4j
            1.15 (d, 6H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 2.40 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.85 (sept, 1H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 7.12–8.41 (m, 13H, ArH).
  4k
            1.18 (d, 6H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 2.40 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.86 (sept, 1H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 6.95–8.41 (m, 11H, ArH).
  41
            1.16 (d, 6H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 2.32 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.90 (sept, 1H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 6.39–8.42 (m, 11H, ArH's).
  4m
            1.28 (d, 6H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 2.50 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.97 (sept, 1H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 7.26–8.51 (m, 12H, ArH).
            1.28 (d, 6H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 2.96 (sept, 1H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 7.25–8.34 (m, 9H, ArH and NH).
 6b
            1.28 (d, 6H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 2.95 (sept, 1H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 7.25–8.21 (m, 8H, ArH).
 9a
 9b
            1.27 (d, 6H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 2.92 (sept, 1H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 7.25–8.25 (m, 8H, ArH).
10a
            1.28 (d, 6H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 2.92 (sept,1H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 7.20–8.15 (m, 8H, ArH).
10b
            1.28 (d, 6H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 2.90 (sept, 1H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 7.20–8.24 (m, 8H, ArH).
11b
            1.28 (d, 6H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 2.40 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>CON=), 2.98 (sept, 1H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 7.25–8.48 (m, 8H, ArH).
            1.29 (d, 6H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 2.92 (sept, 1H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 7.35–8.52 (m, 13H, ArH). 1.20 (d, 6H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 2.90 (sept, 1H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 7.16–8.40 (m, 13H, ArH).
12a
12b
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            1.15 (t, 3H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.26 (d, 6H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 2.53 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.82 (sept, 1H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 4.08 (q, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>),
                 6.76 (s, 1H, CH), 7.21-8.35 (m, 4H, ArH), 9.61 (s, 1H, NH), 10.53 (s, 1H, NH).
18b
             1.19 (t, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.25 (d, 6H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 1.34 (t, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.51 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.82 (sept, 1H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH),
                 4.11 (q, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.42 (q, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 6.83 (s, 1H, CH), 7.06–8.21 (m, 9H, ArH).
18c
             1.15 (t, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.22 (d, 6H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 2.54 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.83 (sept, 1H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 4.07 (q, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>),
                 7.03-8.20 (m, 15H, ArH and CH), 8.37 (s, br, 1H, NH).
             1.13\ (t,3H,CH_3CH_2),\ 1.21\ (d,6H,(CH_3)_2CH),\ 2.51\ (s,3H,CH_3),\ 2.53\ (s,3H,CH_3),\ 2.81\ (sept,\ 1H,\ (CH_3)_2CH),\ 4.08
18d
                  (q, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 6.85 (s, 1H, CH), 7.05–8.23 (m, 9H, ArH).
             1.12 (t, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.23 (d, 6H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 2.56 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.75 (sept, 1H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 4.13 (q, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>),
18e
                 6.96 (s, 1H, CH), 7.01-8.24 (m, 14H, ArH).
18f
             1.12 (d, 6H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 1.24 (t, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.55 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.80 (sept, 1H, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH), 4.08 (q, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>),
                 7.00-8.29 (m, 13H, ArH and CH).
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crystallized to give the N-acetyl derivatives 11a and **11b**, respectively (Tables 1 and 2).

Benzoylation. **6a** or **6b** (0.5 g) and benzoyl chloride (3 ml) in pyridine (15 ml) were refluxed for 10 min, poured onto ice water (50 ml) and acidified with hydrochloric acid. The resulting product was collected and washed several times with boiling water. The solid was crystallized from acetic acid or N, Ndimethylformamide to give the N-benzoyl derivatives **12a** and **12b**, respectively (Tables 1 and 2).

*Synthesis of Ethyl 4-Methyl-6-[4-(methylethyl)*phenyl]-2-thioxo-1,3,6-trihydropyrimidine-5carboxylate (13)

A mixture of ethyl acetoacetate (0.1 mol, 13 g), thiourea (0.012 mol, 8.2 g), and 4-(methylethyl)benzaldehyde (14.9 g, 0.1 mol) in ethanol (30 ml) containing a catalytic amount of concentrated hydrochloric acid (10 drops) was refluxed for 3 h. The reaction mixture was then allowed to stand at room temperature overnight. The solid precipitate formed was collected by filtration, washed with ethanol, and crystallized from ethanol to give 13 (Tables 1 and 2). *Synthesis of Ethyl 6-Methyl-4-[4-(methylethyl)*phenyl]-2-methylthio-3,4-dihydropyrimidine-5carboxylate (19)

Iodomethane (0.006 mol) was added portionwise with stirring to a warm ethanolic sodium ethoxide solution [prepared by dissolving sodium metal (0.005 mol) in ethanol 15 ml] and compound 13 (0.005 mol). The reaction mixture was left overnight at room temperature; the solid precipitate was collected and crystallized from ethanol to give 19 (Table 1).

Synthesis of 1,2,4-Triazolo[4,3-a]pyrimidines 18a-g

Method A. A mixture of the appropriate hydrazonoyl halides 14a-g (0.005 mol) and compound 13 (1.9 g, 0.005 mol) in chloroform containing triethylamine (0.75 ml, 0.005 mol) was refluxed for 10 h. Chloroform was evaporated under reduced pressure and the residue solid was crystallized from ethanol to give 18a-g, respectively (Tables 1 and 2).

Method B. Equimolar amounts of the hydrazonoyl halides 14a-g, 19, and sodium ethoxide (0.005 mol each) in ethanol (20 ml) were refluxed for 3 h. The reaction mixture was cooled and the resulting solid was collected and crystallized from ethanol to give products identical in all respects (mp, mixed mp, and spectra) with corresponding products obtained by method A.

Synthesis of Hydrazones 24 and 25

A mixture of equimolar amounts of hydrazonoyl bromide 1 and the appropriate sodium benzenethiolate or sodium benzene sulfinate (0.005 mol each) in ethanol (20 ml) was stirred for 4 h and left at room temperature overnight. The resulting solid was collected, washed with water, and crystallized from ethanol to give hydrazones 24 and 25, respectively (Table 1).

Alternative synthesis of **25** hydrogen peroxide (5 ml, 30%) was added with stirring to a solution of hydrazone **24** (0.5 g) in acetic acid (20 ml). The reaction mixture was left at room temperature for 48 h and poured onto ice-cold water (50 ml). The resulting solid was collected and crystallized from ethanol to give a product identical in all respects (mp, mixed mp, and spectra) with **25**.

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