

# Synthesis of 2,4,6-Trisubstituted 5-(2-Alkylsulfanylethyl)-pyrimidines and Some Their Transformations

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**Abstract**—New 2,4,6-trisubstituted 5-(2-alkylsulfanylethyl)pyrimidines were synthesized by condensation of ethyl 2-(2-alkylsulfanylethyl)-3-oxobutanoates with various amidines and thiourea. Fusion of substituted 2,6-dimethylpyrimidin-4(3*H*)-ones with aromatic aldehydes gave the corresponding 6-styrylpyrimidines. Some 5-(2-alkylsulfanylethyl)pyrimidines were oxidized to sulfoxides, and amination of 5-[2-(butylsulfanyl)ethyl]-6-methyl-2-propylsulfanylpurimidin-4(3*H*)-one with 4-aminobenzoic acid afforded 4-{5-[2-(butylsulfanyl)ethyl]-4-methyl-6-oxo-1,6-dihydropyrimidin-2-ylamino}benzoic acid.

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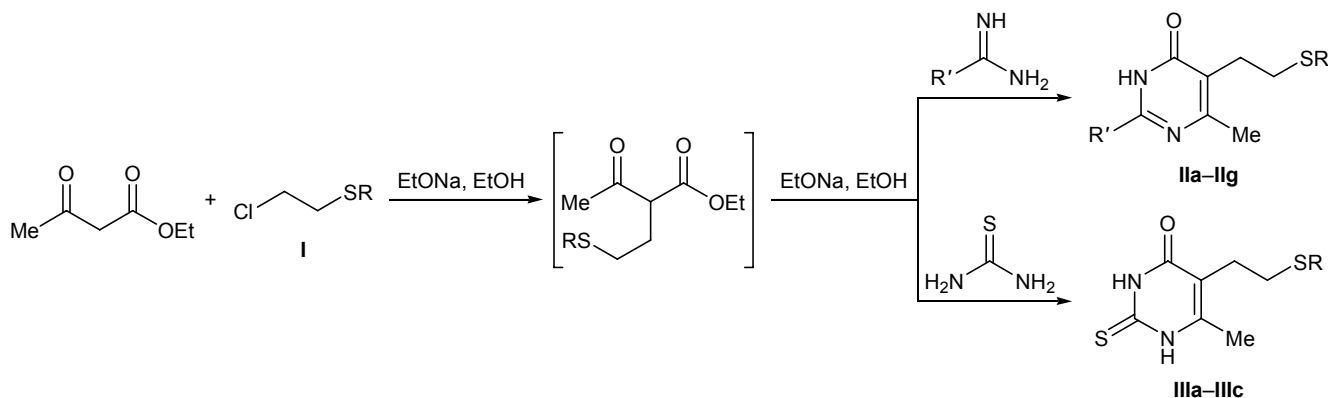
Many pyrimidine derivatives, in particular substituted sulfur-containing pyrimidines, act as nucleic exchange antimetabolites and thus exhibit pronounced antitumor, antibacterial, antiviral, antiprotozoa, and antithyroid activity [1]. However, in most of the synthesized sulfur-containing pyrimidines the sulfur atom is linked directly to the pyrimidine ring, whereas pyrimidines with a side-chain sulfur atom are few in number though they are promising as potential chemotherapeutically active compounds.

Introduction of a reactive sulfoxide group into molecules of pyrimidine derivatives also seems to be reasonable. Such modification is believed to ensure

covalent bonding with a number of cell targets via the Pummerer reaction, as was proposed for the mechanism of action of the natural pyrimidine antibiotic sparsomycin which possesses a sulfoxide group [2].

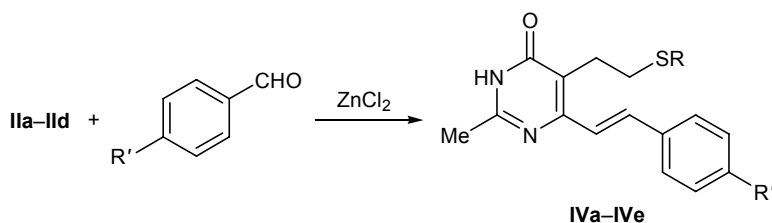
In view of the above stated, in continuation of studies on new biologically active substituted pyrimidines [3], the present article reports on the synthesis of 2,4,6-trisubstituted 5-[2-(alkylsulfanyl)ethyl]pyrimidines **II**–**VII**. Alkylation of ethyl acetoacetate with 1-(2-chloroethylsulfanyl)alkanes **I** gave ethyl 2-(2-alkylsulfanylethyl)-3-oxobutanoates which were subjected (without isolation) to cyclization with amidines and thiourea; as a result, substituted pyrimidines **IIa**–

Scheme 1.



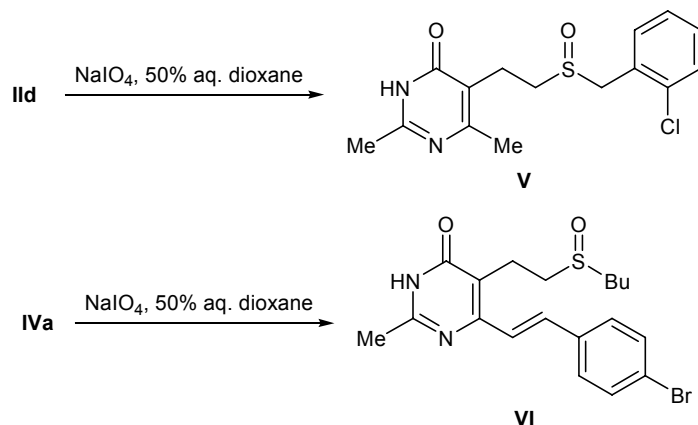
**II**, R' = Me, R = Bu (**a**), *i*-Bu (**b**), C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>11</sub> (**c**), 2-ClC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CH<sub>2</sub> (**d**); R = C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>11</sub>, R' = Ph (**e**), PhCH<sub>2</sub> (**f**); R' = Ph, R = CH<sub>2</sub>=C(Me)CH<sub>2</sub> (**g**);  
**III**, R = Bu (**a**), C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>11</sub> (**b**), 4-EtOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CH<sub>2</sub> (**c**).

Scheme 2.



**IV**,  $\text{R}' = \text{Br}$ ,  $\text{R} = \text{Bu}$  (**a**), *i*-Bu (**b**);  $\text{R}' = \text{O}_2\text{N}$ ,  $\text{R} = \text{C}_5\text{H}_{11}$  (**c**), 2- $\text{ClC}_6\text{H}_4\text{CH}_2$  (**d**);  $\text{R} = 2\text{-ClC}_6\text{H}_4\text{CH}_2$ ,  $\text{R}' = \text{Me}_2\text{N}$  (**e**).

Scheme 3.



**IIg** and **IIIa–IIIc** were obtained in moderate yields (Scheme 1).

2,6-Dimethylpyrimidines **IIa–IIId** smoothly reacted at the 6-methyl group with some aromatic aldehydes in the presence of  $\text{ZnCl}_2$  to afford 6-styryl-substituted derivatives **IVa–IVe** via a Claisen-type condensation (Scheme 2). Sulfides **IIId** and **IVa** were oxidized to the corresponding sulfoxides **V** and **VI** with sodium periodate in aqueous dioxane (Scheme 3). Compounds **V** and **VI** were isolated as racemates. 2-Thioxopyrimidine **IIIa** was treated with propyl bromide in the presence of alkali to obtain sulfide **VII**, and fusion of the latter with 4-aminobenzoic acid gave 2-(4-carboxyphenylamino)pyrimidine **VIII** (Scheme 4)

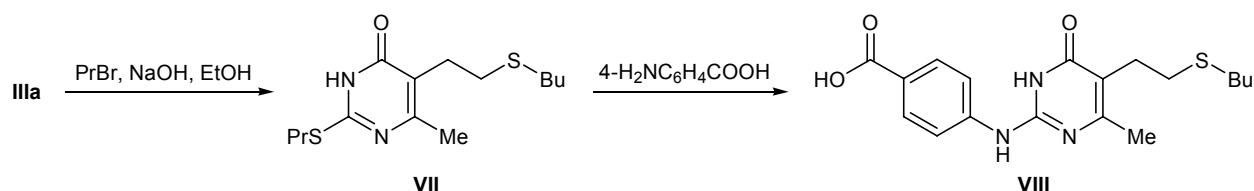
The structure of the newly synthesized compounds was proved by their IR, NMR, and mass spectra and elemental analyses, and their purity was checked by analytical TLC.

Compounds **IIc–IIe**, **IIIb**, **IIIc**, **IVa**, **IVc**, **IVe**, and **V** were tested for antibacterial activity against *S. aureus* 209 p 1, *Sh. dysenteriae* Flexneri 6858, and *E. coli* 0-55. All compounds, except for pyrimidines **IIc**, **IIe**, and **IIIe**, showed a weak activity in all bacterial strains used.

## EXPERIMENTAL

Analytical thin-layer chromatography was performed on Silufol UV-254 plates; spots were detected by treatment with iodine vapor. The IR spectra were recorded on a Nicolet Avatar 330 spectrometer from samples dispersed in mineral oil. The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra were measured on a Varian Mercury-300 instrument at 300 MHz using tetramethylsilane as internal standard. The mass spectra were obtained on an MKh-1321A mass spectrometer with direct sample admission into the ion source.

Scheme 4.



**5-(2-R-Sulfanylethyl)-2,6-dimethylpyrimidin-4(3H)-ones IIa–IIg and 5-(2-R-sulfanylethyl)-6-methyl-2-thioxo-2,3-dihydropyrimidin-4(1H)-ones IIIa–IIIc (general procedure).** Metallic sodium, 2.3 g (0.1 mol), was dissolved in 100 mL of anhydrous ethanol, 13.0 g (0.1 mol) of ethyl acetoacetate was added, 0.1 mol of the corresponding 1-(2-chloroethylsulfanyl)alkane was then added, the mixture was stirred for 24 h, and 0.09 mol of amidine or thiourea and a solution of 4.6 g (0.2 mol) of sodium in 100 mL of anhydrous ethanol were added. The resulting suspension was heated for 8 h under reflux with stirring and evaporated to dryness, 100 mL of water was added to the residue, and the mixture was neutralized with acetic acid and left overnight in a refrigerator. The precipitate was filtered off, dried, and recrystallized from 80% ethanol.

**5-(2-Butylsulfanylethyl)-2,6-dimethylpyrimidin-4(3H)-one (IIa)** was synthesized from ethyl acetoacetate, 1-(2-chloroethylsulfanyl)butane [4], and acetamidine hydrochloride. Yield 37%, mp 62–63°C,  $R_f$  0.43 (octane–ethyl acetate, 1:1). IR spectrum,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 1652 s (C=O), 1605.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ - $\text{CCl}_4$ , 1:3),  $\delta$ , ppm: 0.93 t (3H,  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2$ ,  $J = 7.2$  Hz), 1.36–1.48 m (2H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ), 1.51–1.61 m (2H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.19 s and 2.21 s (3H each,  $\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.49–2.56 m (4H) and 2.58–2.65 m (2H) ( $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{SCH}_2$ ), 12.14 br.s (1H, NH). Found, %: N 11.35; S 13.48.  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{OS}$ . Calculated, %: N 11.65; S 13.34.

**5-(2-Isobutylsulfanylethyl)-2,6-dimethylpyrimidin-4(3H)-one (IIb)** was synthesized from ethyl acetoacetate, 2-methyl-1-(2-chloroethylsulfanyl)propane [5], and acetamidine hydrochloride. Yield 30%, mp 117–118°C,  $R_f$  0.31 (octane–ethyl acetate, 1:1). IR spectrum,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 1634 s (C=O), 1605.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ - $\text{CCl}_4$ , 1:3),  $\delta$ , ppm: 0.99 d [6H,  $\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$ ,  $J = 6.6$  Hz], 1.80 t.sept (1H,  $\text{CHMe}_2$ ,  $J = 6.8$ , 6.6 Hz), 2.19 s and 2.21 s (3H each, 2- $\text{CH}_3$ , 6- $\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.41 d (2H,  $\text{SCH}_2\text{CH}$ ,  $J = 6.8$  Hz), 2.49–2.55 m and 2.58–2.64 m (2H each,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2$ ), 12.14 br.s (1H, NH). Found, %: N 11.42; S 13.50.  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{OS}$ . Calculated, %: N 11.65; S 13.34.

**2,6-Dimethyl-5-(2-pentylsulfanylethyl)pyrimidin-4(3H)-one (IIc)** was synthesized from ethyl acetoacetate, 1-(2-chloroethylsulfanyl)pentane [6], and acetamidine hydrochloride. Yield 40%, mp 77–78°C,  $R_f$  0.41 (octane–ethyl acetate, 1:1). IR spectrum,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 1660 s (C=O), 1608.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ - $\text{CCl}_4$ , 1:3),  $\delta$ , ppm: 0.91 m (3H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ),

1.29–1.43 m (4H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ), 1.58 m (2H,  $\text{SCH}_2\text{CH}_2$ ), 2.19 s (3H,  $\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.21 s (3H,  $\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.48–2.56 m (4H,  $\text{CH}_2$ ), 2.58–2.65 m (2H,  $\text{CH}_2$ ), 12.14 br.s (1H, NH). Found, %: N 11.24; S 12.31.  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{OS}$ . Calculated, %: N 11.01; S 12.60.

**5-[2-(2-Chlorobenzylsulfanyl)ethyl]-2,6-dimethylpyrimidin-4(3H)-one (IIId)** was synthesized from ethyl acetoacetate, 1-chloro-2-(2-chloroethylsulfanylmethyl)benzene [7], and acetamidine hydrochloride. Yield 38%, mp 164–165°C,  $R_f$  0.61 (octane–ethyl acetate, 1:1). IR spectrum,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 1645 s (C=O), 1610.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ - $\text{CCl}_4$ , 1:3),  $\delta$ , ppm: 2.17 s and 2.21 s (3H each, 2- $\text{CH}_3$ , 6- $\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.55 m (2H,  $\text{SCH}_2\text{CH}_2$ ), 2.66 m (2H,  $\text{SCH}_2\text{CH}_2$ ), 3.84 s (2H,  $\text{SCH}_2$ ); 7.15–7.24 m (2H), 7.34 m (1H), and 7.47 m (1H) ( $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4$ ); 12.17 br.s (1H, NH). Found, %: N 8.62; S 10.63.  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{17}\text{ClN}_2\text{OS}$ . Calculated, %: N 9.07; S 10.38.

**6-Methyl-5-[2-(pentylsulfanyl)ethyl]-2-phenylpyrimidine-4(3H)-one (IIe)** was synthesized from ethyl acetoacetate, 1-(2-chloroethylsulfanyl)pentane, and benzamidine hydrochloride. Yield 48%, mp 128–129°C,  $R_f$  0.71 (octane–ethyl acetate, 1:1). IR spectrum,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 1660 s (C=O), 1600.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ - $\text{CCl}_4$ , 1:3),  $\delta$ , ppm: 0.92 m (3H,  $\text{CH}_3$ ), 1.30–1.43 m (4H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ), 1.60 m (2H,  $\text{SCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2$ ), 2.36 s (3H, 6- $\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.55 m (2H,  $\text{SCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2$ ), 2.63 m and 2.71 m (2H each, 5- $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{S}$ ), 7.39–7.48 m (3H) and 8.15 m (2H) ( $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$ ), 12.45 br.s (1H, NH). Found, %: N 9.05; S 10.47.  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2\text{OS}$ . Calculated, %: N 8.85; S 10.13.

**2-Benzyl-4-methyl-5-[2-(pentylsulfanyl)ethyl]pyrimidin-4(3H)-one (IIIf)** was synthesized from ethyl acetoacetate, 1-(2-chloroethylsulfanyl)pentane, and phenylacetamidine hydrochloride. Yield 53%, mp 125–126°C,  $R_f$  0.57 (octane–ethyl acetate, 1:1). IR spectrum,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 1636 s (C=O), 1605.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ - $\text{CCl}_4$ , 1:3),  $\delta$ , ppm: 0.91 m (3H,  $\text{CH}_3$ ), 1.28–1.40 m (4H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ), 1.57 m (2H,  $\text{SCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2$ ), 2.23 s (3H, 6- $\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.47–2.64 m (6H, 5- $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{SCH}_2$ ), 3.75 s (2H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Ph}$ ), 7.14–7.28 m (2H) and 7.34 m (3H) ( $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$ ), 12.33 br.s (1H, NH). Found, %: N 8.25; S 9.98.  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{26}\text{N}_2\text{OS}$ . Calculated, %: N 8.48; S 9.70.

**6-Methyl-5-[2-(2-methylprop-2-en-1-ylsulfanyl)ethyl]-2-phenylpyrimidin-4(3H)-one (IIg)** was synthesized from ethyl acetoacetate, 3-(2-chloroethylsulfanyl)-2-methylprop-1-ene [8], and benzamidine hydrochloride. Yield 36%, mp 155–156°C,  $R_f$  0.46 (octane–ethyl acetate, 1:1). IR spectrum:  $\nu$  1640  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , s

(C=O).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{DMSO}-d_6\text{-CCl}_4$ , 1:3),  $\delta$ , ppm: 1.82 t (3H,  $\text{CH}_3\text{CCH}_2$ ,  $J = 1.0$  Hz), 2.35 s (3H,  $\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.52–2.57 m and 2.69–2.75 m (2H each,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{S}$ ), 3.14 s (2H,  $\text{SCH}_2\text{CCH}_2$ ), 4.81 br.s and 4.89 br.s (1H each,  $=\text{CH}_2$ ), 7.39–7.49 m (3H) and 8.12–8.16 m (2H,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$ ), 12.28 br.s (1H, NH). Found, %: N 9.55; S 10.38.  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{OS}$ . Calculated, %: N 9.32; S 10.67.

**5-[2-(Butylsulfanyl)ethyl]-6-methyl-2-thioxo-2,3-dihydropyrimidin-4(1H)-one (IIIa)** was synthesized from ethyl acetoacetate, 1-(2-chloroethylsulfanyl)butane, and thiourea. Yield 55%, mp 137–138°C,  $R_f$  0.56 (octane–ethyl acetate, 1:1). IR spectrum,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 1636 s (C=O), 1564.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{DMSO}-d_6\text{-CCl}_4$ , 1:3),  $\delta$ , ppm: 0.92 t (3H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ,  $J = 7.3$  Hz), 1.34–1.46 m (2H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ), 1.49–1.59 m (2H,  $\text{SCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2$ ), 2.15 s (3H, 6- $\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.47–2.52 m (6H, 5- $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{SCH}_2$ ), 11.93 br.s (2H, NH). Found, %: N 10.61; S 24.70.  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{OS}_2$ . Calculated, %: N 10.84; S 24.81.

**6-Methyl-5-[2-(pentylsulfanyl)ethyl]-2-thioxo-2,3-dihydropyrimidin-4(1H)-one (IIIb)** was synthesized from ethyl acetoacetate, 1-(2-chloroethylsulfanyl)pentane, and thiourea. Yield 45%, mp 135–136°C,  $R_f$  0.58 (octane–ethyl acetate, 1:1). IR spectrum,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 1636 s (C=O), 1572.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{DMSO}-d_6\text{-CCl}_4$ , 1:3),  $\delta$ , ppm: 0.91 m (3H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ), 1.29–1.41 m (4H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ), 1.51–1.61 m (2H,  $\text{SCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2$ ), 2.16 s (3H, 6- $\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.47–2.52 m (6H, 5- $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{SCH}_2$ ), 11.92 br.s and 11.96 br.s (1H each, NH). Found, %: N 10.40; S 23.22.  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{OS}_2$ . Calculated, %: N 10.28; S 23.54.

**5-[2-(4-Ethoxybenzylsulfanyl)ethyl]-6-methyl-2-thioxo-2,3-dihydropyrimidin-4(1H)-one (IIIc)** was synthesized from ethyl acetoacetate, 1-[2-(chloroethyl)sulfanylmethyl]-4-ethoxybenzene [9], and thiourea. Yield 40%, mp 177–178°C,  $R_f$  0.59 (octane–ethyl acetate, 1:1). IR spectrum,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 1648 s (C=O), 1564.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{DMSO}-d_6\text{-CCl}_4$ , 1:3),  $\delta$ , ppm: 1.39 t (3H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ,  $J = 7.0$  Hz), 2.10 s (3H,  $\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.40–2.46 m and 2.47–2.54 m (2H each,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{S}$ ), 3.65 s (2H,  $\text{SCH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4$ ), 3.99 q (2H,  $\text{OCH}_2$ ,  $J = 7.0$  Hz), 6.75 m and 7.18 m (2H each,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4$ ), 11.90 br.s and 11.95 br.s (1H each, NH). Found, %: N 8.57; S 19.30.  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}_2$ . Calculated, %: N 8.33; S 19.06.

**6-Styrylpyrimidin-4(3H)-ones IVa–IVe (general procedure).** A mixture of 0.01 mol of pyrimidine **IIa–IIc**, 0.011 mol of the corresponding aromatic aldehyde, and 1.36 g (0.01 mol) of  $\text{ZnCl}_2$  was heated for

2 h at 150–160°C on a Wood's metal bath. The mixture was cooled, and the product was washed with water, dried, and recrystallized from 2-ethoxyethanol.

**6-[(E)-2-(4-Bromophenyl)ethenyl]-5-[2-(butylsulfanyl)ethyl]-2-methylpyrimidin-4(3H)-one (IVa)** was synthesized from compound **IIa** and 4-bromobenzaldehyde. Yield 53%, mp 191–193°C,  $R_f$  0.20 (octane–ethyl acetate, 1:1). IR spectrum:  $\nu$  1649  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , s (C=O).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{DMSO}-d_6\text{-CCl}_4$ , 1:3),  $\delta$ , ppm: 0.94 t (3H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ,  $J = 7.3$  Hz), 1.43 m (2H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ), 1.58 m (2H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.30 s (3H, 2- $\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.54 m (2H,  $\text{SCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.59 m (2H, 5- $\text{CH}_2$ ), 2.67 m (2H, 5- $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{S}$ ), 6.79 d (1H,  $=\text{CH}$ ,  $J = 16.1$  Hz), 7.47 m and 7.52 m (2H each,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4$ ), 7.77 d (1H,  $=\text{CH}$ ,  $J = 16.1$  Hz), 12.28 br.s (1H, NH). Found, %: N 6.59; S 7.65.  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{23}\text{BrN}_2\text{OS}$ . Calculated, %: N 6.88; S 7.87.

**6-[(E)-2-(4-Bromophenyl)ethenyl]-5-[2-(isobutylsulfanyl)ethyl]-2-methylpyrimidin-4(3H)-one (IVb)** was synthesized from compound **IIb** and 4-bromobenzaldehyde. Yield 60%, mp 149–151°C,  $R_f$  0.26 (octane–ethyl acetate, 1:1). IR spectrum,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 1644 (C=O), 1572.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{DMSO}-d_6\text{-CCl}_4$ , 1:3),  $\delta$ , ppm: 1.00 d [6H,  $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{CH}$ ,  $J = 6.6$  Hz], 1.81 m (1H, CH), 2.30 s (3H, 2- $\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.43 d (2H,  $\text{CHCH}_2$ ,  $J = 6.8$  Hz), 2.54–2.61 m and 2.64–2.71 m (2H each,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{S}$ ), 6.79 d (1H,  $=\text{CH}$ ,  $J = 16.1$  Hz), 7.44–7.54 m (4H,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4$ ), 7.77 d (1H,  $=\text{CH}$ ,  $J = 16.1$  Hz), 12.30 br.s (1H, NH). Found, %: N 6.70; S 7.52.  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{23}\text{BrN}_2\text{OS}$ . Calculated, %: N 6.88; S 7.87.

**2-Methyl-6-[(E)-2-(4-nitrophenyl)ethenyl]-5-[2-(pentylsulfanyl)ethyl]pyrimidin-4(3H)-one (IVc)** was synthesized from compound **IIc** and 4-nitrobenzaldehyde. Yield 63%, mp 198–199°C,  $R_f$  0.38 (octane–ethyl acetate, 1:1). IR spectrum:  $\nu$  1649  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C=O).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{DMSO}-d_6\text{-CCl}_4$ , 1:3),  $\delta$ , ppm: 0.92 m (3H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ), 1.30–1.45 m (4H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ), 1.60 m (2H,  $\text{SCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2$ ), 2.32 s (3H, 2- $\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.52–2.74 m (6H, 5- $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{SCH}_2$ ), 6.98 d (1H,  $=\text{CH}$ ,  $J = 16.1$  Hz), 7.78 m and 8.24 m (2H each,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4$ ), 7.88 d (1H,  $=\text{CH}$ ,  $J = 16.1$  Hz), 12.40 br.s (1H, NH). Found, %: N 10.61; S 8.45.  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_3\text{O}_3\text{S}$ . Calculated, %: N 10.84; S 8.27.

**5-[2-(2-Chlorobenzylsulfanyl)ethyl]-2-methyl-6-[(E)-2-(4-nitrophenyl)ethenyl]pyrimidin-4(3H)-one (IVd)** was synthesized from compound **IIc** and 4-nitrobenzaldehyde. Yield 65%, mp 230–231°C,  $R_f$  0.26 (octane–ethyl acetate, 1:1). IR spectrum,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 1644 (C=O), 1597.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{DMSO}-d_6\text{-CCl}_4$ , 1:3),  $\delta$ , ppm: 2.29 s (3H, 2- $\text{CH}_3$ ),

2.61 m and 2.73 m (2H each, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.86 s (2H, SCH<sub>2</sub>Ar), 6.98 d (1H, =CH, *J* = 16.1 Hz); 7.16–7.25 m (2H), 7.35 m (1H), and 7.48 m (1H) (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Cl); 7.79 m and 8.24 m (2H each, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 7.89 d (1H, =CH, *J* = 16.1 Hz), 12.05 br.s (1H, NH). Mass spectrum, *m/z* (*I*<sub>rel</sub>, %): 443/441 (9.7/28.5) [*M*]<sup>+</sup>, 317 (40.3) [*M* – CH<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Cl]<sup>+</sup>. Found, %: N 9.80; S 7.52. C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>20</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S. Calculated, %: N 9.51; S 7.25. *M* 441.09.

**5-[2-(2-Chlorobenzylsulfanyl)ethyl]-6-[(*E*)-2-(4-dimethylaminophenyl)ethenyl]-2-methylpyrimidin-4(3*H*)-one (IVe)** was synthesized from compound **IId** and 4-dimethylaminobenzaldehyde. Yield 55%, mp 201–202°C, *R*<sub>f</sub> 0.50 (octane–ethyl acetate, 1:1). IR spectrum, *v*, cm<sup>–1</sup>: 1624 (C=O), 1604. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>–CCl<sub>4</sub>, 1:3), *δ*, ppm: 2.25 s (3H, 2-CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.54–2.61 m and 2.68–2.74 m (2H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.02 s [6H, N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>], 3.86 s (2H, SCH<sub>2</sub>Ar), 6.50 d (1H, =CH, *J* = 15.8 Hz), 6.67 m and 7.38 m (2H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>NMe<sub>2</sub>); 7.16–7.24 m (2H), 7.32–7.36 m (1H), and 7.48–7.51 m (1H) (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Cl); 7.71 d (1H, =CH, *J* = 15.8 Hz), 12.41 br.s (1H, NH). Mass spectrum, *m/z* (*I*<sub>rel</sub>, %): 441/439 (6.2/16.6) [*M*]<sup>+</sup>, 314 (88.8) [*M* – CH<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Cl]<sup>+</sup>, 268 (100) [*M* – CH<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Cl]<sup>+</sup>. Found, %: N 9.28; S 7.42. C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>26</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>OS. Calculated, %: N 9.55; S 7.29. *M* 439.15.

**Sulfoxides V and VI (general procedure).** A mixture of 0.01 mol of compound **IId** or **IVa**, 2.14 g (0.01 mol) of NaO<sub>4</sub>, 25 mL of dioxane, and 25 mL of water was stirred for 8 h at room temperature. The mixture was then left overnight in a refrigerator, and the precipitate was filtered off, washed with water, and dried.

**5-[2-(2-Chlorobenzenesulfinyl)ethyl]-2,6-dimethylpyrimidin-4(3*H*)-one (V)** was synthesized from compound **IId**. Yield 82%, mp 200–202°C (from EtOH), *R*<sub>f</sub> 0.29 (octane–ethyl acetate, 1:1). IR spectrum, *v*, cm<sup>–1</sup>: 1657 (C=O), 1606. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>–CCl<sub>4</sub>, 1:3), *δ*, ppm: 2.20 s and 2.22 s (3H each, 2-CH<sub>3</sub>, 6-CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.69–2.88 m (3H) and 2.95–3.04 m (1H) [CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>S(O)], 4.12 d and 4.33 d [1H each, S(O)CH<sub>2</sub>Ar, <sup>2</sup>*J* = 12.8 Hz], 7.31–7.59 m (4H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 12.30 br.s (1H, NH). Found, %: N 8.39; S 9.55. C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>17</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S. Calculated, %: N 8.62; S 9.87.

**4-[(*E*)-2-(4-Bromophenyl)ethenyl]-5-[2-(butanesulfinyl)ethyl]-2-methylpyrimidin-4(3*H*)-one (VI)** was synthesized from compound **IIIa**. Yield 74%, mp 228–230°C (from 2-ethoxyethanol), *R*<sub>f</sub> 0.46 (ethanol–dichloroethane, 1:10). IR spectrum, *v*, cm<sup>–1</sup>: 1649 (C=O), 1540. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>–

CCl<sub>4</sub>, 1:3), *δ*, ppm: 0.99 t (3H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>, *J* = 7.3 Hz), 1.50 m (2H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.70 m (2H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.35 s (3H, 2-CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.62–2.76 m (2H) and 2.78–2.94 m (4H) [5-CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>S(O)CH<sub>2</sub>], 6.81 d (1H, =CH, *J* = 16.1 Hz), 7.47 m and 7.53 m (2H each, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 7.78 d (1H, =CH, *J* = 16.1 Hz), 12.37 br.s (1H, NH). Found, %: N 6.85; S 7.30. C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>23</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>OS. Calculated, %: N 6.62; S 7.57.

**5-[2-(Butylsulfanyl)ethyl]-6-methyl-2-(propylsulfanyl)pyrimidin-4(3*H*)-one (VII).** Propyl bromide, 1.23 g (0.01 mol), was added to a solution of 2.58 g (0.01 mol) of 2-thioxopyrimidine **IIIa** and 0.4 g (0.01 mol) of sodium hydroxide in 80 mL of 80% ethanol, the mixture was heated for 6 h under reflux and evaporated to dryness, the residue was treated with 50 mL of water, and the precipitate was filtered off. Yield 78%, mp 54–55°C (from 70% EtOH), *R*<sub>f</sub> 0.88 (octane–ethyl acetate, 1:1). IR spectrum: *v* 1648 cm<sup>–1</sup> (C=O), 1545. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>–CCl<sub>4</sub>, 1:3), *δ*, ppm: 0.93 t (3H, CH<sub>3</sub>, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 1.03 t (3H, SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>, *J* = 7.3 Hz), 1.41 m (2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.55 m (2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.71 m (2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.23 s (3H, 6-CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.48–2.63 m (6H, 5-CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.06 t (2H, 2-SCH<sub>2</sub>, *J* = 7.1 Hz), 12.28 br.s (1H, NH). Found, %: N 9.05; S 21.58. C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OS<sub>2</sub>. Calculated, %: N 9.32; S 21.34.

**4-{5-[2-(Butylsulfanyl)ethyl]-4-methyl-6-oxo-1,6-dihydropyrimidin-2-ylamino}benzoic acid (VIII).** A mixture of 1.50 g (5 mmol) of pyrimidine **VII** and 0.69 g (5 mmol) of 4-aminobenzoic acid was fused for 4 h at 150–160°C on a Wood's metal bath. The melt was cooled and treated with 20 mL of ethanol, and the precipitate was filtered off. Yield 82%, mp 268–269°C (from 70% EtOH), *R*<sub>f</sub> 0.28 (ethanol–dichloroethane, 1:10). IR spectrum, *v*, cm<sup>–1</sup>: 3441 and 3410 (OH, NH), 1641 (C=O), 1582. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>–CCl<sub>4</sub>, 1:3), *δ*, ppm: 0.94 t (3H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>, *J* = 7.3 Hz), 1.37–1.49 m (2H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.52–1.63 m (2H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.26 s (3H, 4-CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.49–2.64 m (6H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.70 m and 7.86 m (2H each, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 8.64 br.s (1H) and 11.18 br.s (2H) (NH, COOH). Found, %: N 11.42; S 8.59. C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>23</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S. Calculated, %: N 11.63; S 8.87.

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