A Facile One-pot Synthesis of Pyrido[2,3-*d*]pyrimidines and Pyrido[2,3-*d*:6,5-*d'*]dipyrimidines[†] Shaker Youssif,* Said El-Bahaie and Esam Nabih

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The reactions of enaminones (6-aminouracils) **1a–c** and **4** with cyano olefins **2a–b** and **5a–f** led to the formation of pyrido[2,3-*d*]pyrimidines **3a–f** and **6a–f** in good yield, while the treatment of 4-amino-2-thiouracil **4** with aromatic aldehydes afforded pyridodipyrimidines **7a–c**.

The preparation of pyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidines has been reported by a number of investigators and may involve suitably substituted 6-aminouracils¹⁻⁴ followed by annelation of the pyridine ring or cyclocondensation of 2-amino-3cyanopyridines⁵⁻⁸ with suitable reagents. The importance of pyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidines as biologically active compounds includes their use as antitumor,⁹ antibacterial¹⁰⁻¹³ and anticonvulsive¹⁴ agents. This prompted us to continue our research program on the cyclization of 6-anilinouracil derivatives.¹⁵ We allowed 1-methyl-6-anilinouracils¹⁵ 1 to react with reactive cyano compounds like benzylidenemalononitrile¹⁶ 2a and benzylidenecyanoacetate 2b 6-cyano-5,8-dihydropyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidineproducing 2,4(1H,3H)-diones **3a**-c and the corresponding ethoxycarbonyl compounds 3a-f respectively, as shown in Scheme 1. The products were fully characterized through spectral and elemental analysis. The structure of 3a was indicated by broad IR bands at 3460-3360 cm⁻¹ corresponding to the chelated amino group and at 2210 cm⁻¹ corresponding to CN group; the ¹³C NMR spectrum shows 17 lines.



On the other hand, the reaction of 4-amino-2-thiouracil¹⁷ 4 with arylidenemalononitriles 5a-c and arylidenecyanoacetates 5d-f afforded the thiones 6a-c and 6d-f respectively, as shown in Scheme 2, fully confirmed by spectral and elemental analysis. The IR spectra of 6a exhibited sharp bands at 3439 and 3321 cm⁻¹ (NH₃), and 2215 cm⁻¹ (CN); Its NMR ¹H spectrum showed a singlet at δ 7.72 (NH₂) and a doublet at δ 7.50–7.29 (aromatic protons). The yields of compounds 6a-f were lower than of 3a-f; this may be due to the higher nucleophilicity at C-5 of *N*-alkyluracils than that of uracil itself. It has been found that the intramolecular cyclization of 6-(N-alkylanilino)uracils withdimethylformamide (DMF)–POCl₃¹⁸ or with*o*-haloarylaldehydes¹⁹ in DMF or with arylaldehydes²⁰ in acetic acidafforded 5-deazaflavins. In the present work, we found that



the treatment of 4-amino-2-thiouracil 4 by heating with aryl aldehydes in acetic acid under reflux afforded pyridodipyrimidines $7\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{c}$ as shown in Scheme 2; 5-deazaflavins were not obtained.

The structures of compounds $7\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{c}$ were established on the basis of satisfactory analytical and spectral data and particularly the ¹³C NMR spectra which showed only 9 lines for $7\mathbf{a}$ and 10 lines for $7\mathbf{b}$; the mass spectrum of $7\mathbf{b}$ gave a molecular ion peak at m/z 385.

Experimental

Melting points were determined with an electrothermal Gallenkamp apparatus and are uncorrected. The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AC 250 spectrometer in with (CD₃)₂SO as solvent and with Me₄Si as internal standard. Electron impact mass spectra were recorded on a Mat 1125 70 eV spectrometer. IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer 1430 spectrometer. The microanalyses were performed in the microanalytical laboratory, University of Cairo, Giza, Egypt.

General Procedure for the Synthesis of 6-Substituted 2-Amino-5-phenyl-8-aryl-5,8-dihydropyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidine-2,4(1H,3H)-dione 3a-f.—A mixture of equimolar amounts of uracils 1 and the appropriate 3-phenyl-2-substituted cyano olefins 2 (2 mmol) in absolute ethanol (10 ml) in the presence of trimethylamine (5 drops) was heated at reflux for 3–6 h. The reaction mixture was concentrated and then cooled. The solid obtained was filtered off, washed with ethanol and recrystallized from DMF–EtOH (2:1). The products 3a-f were obtained in 70–90% yield and their physical constants are as follows:

3a: Yield (83%); mp 302–303 °C; ¹H NMR δ 11.10 (s, 1H), 7.35–7.15 (m, J_o 7, J_m 3 Hz, 10H), 6.04 (brs, 2H), 4.66 (s, 1H), 2.78 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 31.94 (N–C-1), 36.68 (C-5), 66.94, 102.94, 119.97, 126.68, 127.03, 127.16, 127.87, 128.24, 129.47, 141.38, 143.76, 148.81, 151.20, 155.20, 161.47; *m/z* (%) 371 (9), 307 (14), 305 (23), 304 (44), 295 (18), 294 (100), 261 (10), 251 (19), 228 (21),

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102 (13), 91 (18), 77 (30), 66 (48) (Calc. for $C_{21}H_{17}N_5O_2$: C, 67.91; H, 4.61; N, 18.85. Found: C, 67.88; H, 4.60; N, 18.79%). **3b**: Yield (89%); mp 319–320 °C; ¹H NMR δ 10.95 (s, 1H), 7.38–

3b: Yield (89%); mp 319–320 °C; ¹H NMR δ 10.95 (s, 1H), 7.38–7.16 (m, J_m 3, J_o 8 Hz, 7H), 6.92–6.87 (d, J_m 2, J_o 6.8 Hz, 2H), 5.92 (s, 2H), 4.64 (s, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 2.92 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 32.17 (N–C-1), 36.59 (C-5), 55.67, 66.39, 102.17, 114.94, 120.09, 126.69, 127.04, 128.28, 128.89, 133.85, 144.02, 148.95, 151.29, 155.42, 158.97, 161.49; m/z (%) 401 (11), 337 (20), 335 (63), 334 (61), 325 (16), 324 (84), 258 (71), 121 (14), 102 (12), 77 (10), 66 (100) (Calc. for C₂₂H₁₉N₅O₃: C, 65.82; H, 4.77; N, 17.44. Found: C, 65.76; H, 4.77 N, 17.38%).

3c: Yield (78%); mp 308–309 °C; ¹H NMR δ 11.40 (s, 1H), 7.59–7.56 (d, J_o 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.34–7.19 (m, J_m 2.3, J_o 8.1 Hz, 7H), 6.46 (s, 2H), 4.62 (s, 1H), 2.75 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 31.81 (N–C-1), 36.40 (C-5), 66.48, 103.22, 120.09, 120.61, 126.76, 126.88, 128.31, 128.94, 132.25, 140.58, 143.35, 148.29, 151.05, 155.10, 161.44; m/z (%) 451 (8), 449 (8), 384 (9), 383 (7), 382 (8), 375 (14), 374 (97), 372 (100), 331 (19), 329 (20), 294 (27), 155 (11), 140 (7), 127 (7), 102 (17), 77 (16); (Calc. for C₂₁H₁₆BrN₅O₂: C, 56.00; H, 3.58; N, 15.54. Found: C, 55.89; H, 3.56; N, 15.37%).

3d: Yield (85%); mp 200–293 °C; ¹H NMR δ 10.93 (s, 1H), 7.42–7.15 (m, 10H), 7.12–7.09 (d, 2H), 5.14 (s, 1H), 4.10–4.01 (q, 2H), 2.80 (s, 3H), 1.11–1.06 (t, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 14.19 (C–CH₃), 31.58 (N–C-1), 34.16 (O–C), 58.97, 86.00, 105.14, 124.78, 126.57, 127.22, 127.42, 127.78, 129.26, 141.55, 145.60, 148.52, 151.26, 156.21, 161.61, 168.25; *m/z* (%) 418 (18), 346 (12), 345 (41), 342 (14), 341 (100), 295 (18), 77 (48) (Calc. for C₂₃H₂₂N₄O₄: C, 66.01; H, 5.29; N, 13.38. Found: C, 65.92; H, 5.27; N, 13.21%).

3e: Yield (80%); mp 268–260 °C; ¹H NMR δ 10.64 (brs, 1H), 7.28–7.25 (d, J 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.20–7.12 (m, J_m 3, J_o 6.5 Hz, 5H), 7.10–7.07 (d, J_o 7, J_m 2.7 Hz, 2H), 6.88–6.84 (d, J_m 2, J_o 6.9 Hz, 2H), 5.13 (s, 1H), 4.10–4.01 (q, 2H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.82 (s, 3H), 1.26–1.06 (t, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 14.19 (C–CH₃), 31.86 (N–C-1), 34.00, 55.64, 58.89, 85.24, 104.14, 114.82, 125.96, 127.21, 127.81, 128.64, 133.98, 145.93, 148.56, 151.33, 156.37, 158.75, 161.90, 168.27; m/z (%) 448 (10), 376 (10), 375 (38), 372 (20), 371 (100), 325 (13), 77 (61), 43 (12) (Calc. for C₂₄H₂₄N₄O₅: C, 64.27; H, 5.39; N, 12.49. Found: C, 64.23; H, 5.36; N, 12.35%). **3f**: Yield (74%); mp 257–259 °C; ¹H NMR δ 10.95 (s, 1H), 7.48–

3f: Yield (74%); mp 257–259 °C; ¹H NMR δ 10.95 (s, 1H), 7.48–7.44 (d, *J* 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.24–7.08 (m, *J_m* 3, *J_o* 6.6 Hz, 9H), 5.11 (s, 1H), 4.10–4.02 (q, 2H), 2.83 (s, 3H), 1.12–1.06 (t, 3H); ¹³ C NMR δ 14.19 (C–CH₃), 31.40 (N–C-1), 34.23 (O–C), 59.06, 87.00, 105.96, 119.95, 126.02, 127.15, 127.85, 127.88, 132.20, 140.99, 145.24, 148.25, 151.16, 156.06, 161.88, 168.13; *m/z* (%) 498 (6), 497 (10), 425 (19), 424 (51), 421 (16), 420 (100), 77 (58), 43 (11) (Calc. for C₂₃H₂₁BrN₄O₄: C, 55.53; H, 4.25; N, 11.26. Found: C, 55.49; H, 4.23; N, 11.18%).

Synthesis of 6-Substituted 7-Amino-5-aryl-2-thioxo-2,3-dihydropyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidin-4(1H)-one 6a-f.—The compounds 6a-f were prepared in 70–90% yield by the method described for the synthesis of 3a-f.

6a: Yield (79%); mp > 380 °C; ¹H NMR δ 12.65 (s, 1H), 12.07 (s, 1H), 7.61 (s, 2H), 7.42–7.40 (m, J_m 3, J_o 6.2 Hz, 3H), 7.28–7.25 (d, J_m 2.3, J_o 9 Hz, 2 h); ¹³C NMR δ 90.13, 100.35, 115.05, 126.83, 127.54, 128.80, 136.29, 154.30, 157.22, 158.80, 160.85, 175.96; m/z (%) 295 (100), 294 (49), 262 (12), 237 (9), 146 (28), 77 (51) (Calc. for C₁₄H₉N₅OS: C, 56.95; H, 3.07; N, 23.71. Found: C, 56.88; H, 2.98; N, 23.54%).

6b: Yield (72%); mp > 380 °C; ¹H NMR δ 12.70 (brs, 1H), 12.07 (s, 1H), 7.68 (s, 2H), 7.24–7.21 (d, J_o 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.98–6.95 (d, J_o 8.6 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 55.02 (O–C), 78.11, 90.18, 100.31, 112.94, 115.13, 128.06, 129.32, 133.28, 154.22, 157.33, 159.44, 175.73; m/z (%) 325 (100), 324 (32), 292 (15), 267 (13), 77 (18), 66 (72) (Calc. for C₁₅H₁₁N₅O₂S: C, 55.38; H, 3.40; N, 21.53. Found: C, 55.29; H, 3.34; N, 21.37%).

6c: Yield (78%); mp > 360 °C; ¹H NMR δ 12.70 (brs, 1H), 12.08 (s, 1H), 7.72 (s, 2H), 7.50–7.46 (d, J_m 2, J_o 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.33–7.29 (d, 2H); ¹³C NMR δ 89.93, 100.28, 114.96, 127.69, 129.52, 133.22, 135.13, 154.15, 157.31, 157.47, 160.75, 175.88; m/z (%) 331 (36), 330 (32), 329 (100), 328 (45), 296 (14), 271 (11), 180 (23), 164 (9) (Calc. for C₁₄H₈ClN₅OS: C, 51.00; H, 2.44; N, 21.24. Found: C, 50.89; H, 2.41; N, 21.00%).

6d: Yield (86%); mp 288–289 °C; ¹H NMR δ 11.59 (s, 1H), 11.51 (s, 1H), 8.06 (dd, 2H), 7.5 (m, 3H), 6.37 (s, 2H), 4.37–4.29 (q, 2H), 1.34–1.29 (t, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 13.89 (C–CH₃), 62.31 (O–CH₂), 78.11, 102.28, 125.38, 129.22, 130.68, 131.28, 133.29, 138.01, 154.28, 155.01, 161.61, 174.79; *m*/*z* (%) 342 (10), 270 (11), 269 (38), 266 (20), 220 (12), 77 (15), 43 (10) (Calc. for C₁₆H₁₄N₄O₃S: C, 56.13; H, 4.12; N, 16.36. Found: C, 56.05; H, 4.09; N, 16.11%).

6e : Yield (75%); mp 272–274 °C; ¹H NMR δ 11.42 (s, 1H), ^{View,Online} (s, 1H), 8.08–8.04 (d, J_o 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.15–7.11 (d, J_o 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.30 (s, 2H), 4.35–4.27 (q, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 1.34–1.28 (t, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 13.95 (C–CH₃), 55.73 (O–CH₃), 62.01 (O–CH₂), 78.27, 98.84, 114.94, 116.05, 124.00, 131.21, 133.40, 154.30, 161.56, 162.32, 163.56, 174.71; *m*/*z* (%) 372 (20), 300 (12), 299 (31), 296 (19), 219 (100), 173 (52), 77 (71), 43 (12) (Calc. for C₁₇H₁₆N₄O₄S: C, 54.83; H, 4.33; N, 15.04. Found: C, 54.68; H, 4.31; N, 14.90%).

H, 4.33; N, 15.04. Found: C, 54.68; H, 4.31; N, 14.90%). **6f**: Yield (79%); mp 345–346 °C; ¹H NMR δ 11.35 (s, 1H), 10.99 (brs, 1H), 7.45–7.41 (d, J_o 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.27–7.24 (d, J_o 8.3 Hz, 2H), 5.09 (s, 2H), 4.15–4.06 (q, 2H), 1.20–1.14 (t, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 13.55 (C–CH₃), 62.12 (O–CH₂), 72.20, 93.66, 116.62, 127.45, 129.48, 132.65, 136.54, 155.16, 159.61, 162.71, 163.51, 174.78; m/z (%) 378 (30), 377 (22), 376 (100), 304 (39), 294 (15), 261 (10), 288 (18), 77 (59) (Calc. for C₁₆H₁₃ClN₄O₃S: C, 51.00; H, 3.47; N, 14.87. Found: C, 50.94; H, 3.44; N, 14.80%).

General Procedure for the Synthesis of 5-Substituted 1,3,8,9-Tetrahydro-2,8-dithioxopyrido[2,3-d:6,5-d'] pyrimidine-4,6(1H,7H)-diones 7a-c.—A solution of 6-amino-2-thiouracil 4 (2.32 mmol) in glacial acetic acid (15 ml) and 0.5 equiv. of the appropriate aromatic aldehyde was heated under reflux for 4 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with water, then allowed to cool to room temperature. The crude product was collected and recrystallized from a suitable solvent. The physical constants are as follows:

7a: Yield (71%); mp 278–280 °C (from ethanol); ¹H NMR δ 12.02 (s, 2H), 11.81 (brs, 2H), 7.25–7.06 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR δ 72.19, 90.18, 125.22, 126.38, 127.75, 137.85, 153.38, 162.93, 172.72; *m/z* (%) 355 (18), 295 (15), 270 (43), 109 (100), 77 (19), 68 (71) (Calc. for C₁₅H₉N₅O₂S₂: C, 50.71; H, 2.55; N, 19.71. Found: C, 50.68; H, 2.53; N, 19.55%).

7b: Yield (73%); mp 292–294 °C (from ethanol–DMF 2;1); ¹H NMR δ 11.94 (s 2H), 11.75 (brs, 2H), 6.97–6.76 (dd, 4H), 3.70 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 54.85 (O–CH₃), 72.19, 90.45, 113.18, 127.43, 129.47, 153.32, 157.03, 162.89, 172.67; *m/z* (%) 385 (14), 263 (41), 260 (87), 143 (100), 121 (74), 115 (44), 68 (86), 43 (78) (Calc. for C₁₆H₁₁N₅O₃S₂: C, 49.87; H, 2.87; N, 18.17. Found: C, 49.80; H, 2.83; N, 18.01%).

7c: Yield (81%); mp 334–336 °C (from DMF–ethanol 5:1); ¹H NMR: δ 11.89 (s, 2H), 11.70 (s, 2H), 7.26–7.08 (dd, 4H); ¹³C NMR: δ 72.23, 89.99, 127.59, 128.46, 129.86, 137.17, 153.37, 162.91, 172.91; m/z (%): 391 (26), 389 (48), 329 (16), 304 (45), 264 (66), 205 (23), 143 (100) (Calc. for C₁₅H₈ClN₅O₂S₂: C, 46.22; H, 2.06; N, 17.97. Found: C, 46.18; H, 2.00; N, 17.86%).

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