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Cyclization Reactions of Chloro-Substituted 2-Azoniaallene Salts with Bifunctional Nucleophiles

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The multifunctional electrophilic chloro-substituted 2-azoniaallene salts 3–5 react with bifunctional nucleophiles under cyclization to furnish heterocycles. Preparations of the 1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-1,3-dimethyl-2,4-dioxopyrimido[4,5-d]pyrimidines 7a,b, 10 a,b, 14, 17a,b, and the 5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-6,8-dimethyl-5,7-dioxopyrimido[5,4-e]-1,3-oxazin-1-ium salts 9a,b, 15, first representatives of a new ring system, are reported. Furthermore, the 2,3-dihydro-1,3-dimethyl-4-(methylthio)-2-oxo-1,3,5-triazinium salts 11d,e, 13, and 3-(dimethylamino)-4,5-dihydro-5-oxo-2-(2,4,6-trichlorophenyl)-1*H*-1,2,4-triazol-2-ium hexachloroantimonate (12) are obtained.

The Ritter reaction of amino substituted α -chlorocarbenium salts 1 (R¹ = R⁴R⁵N), e.g. of Vilsmeier-Arnold reagents (R² = H), with nitriles affords nitrilium salts 2, which rearrange to 1-amino-3-chloro-substituted 2-azoniaallene salts 3. Preparations and reactions of these salts, which have also been named 3-chloro-2-aza-2-propeniminium salts, have been reviewed by Liebscher.^{1,2}

Ref. 1, 3
RP2CN
Ritter
reaction
Ritter
$$R^2$$
 R^2
 R^3
 R^3

3, 4, 7, 9-11	R ²	R ³	3, 4, 7, 9-11	R ²	R ³
a	Ph	Ph	d	SMe	4-ClC ₆ H ₄
b		4-ClC ₆ H ₄	e	SMe	SMe
c	4-ClC ₆ H ₄	SMe			

 $R^1 = Cl; X = SbCl_6$

Scheme 1

We reported that the tandem-Ritter [1,3]-chlorotropic rearrangement sequence of salts 1 can be generalized. Instead of stabilizing cations 1 with an amino group R^1 , we successfully used other substituents, e.g., aryl. By this method the salts 3a, b have been prepared. The cations 3, which are themselves α -chlorocarbenium ions, react with electron-rich nitriles to furnish products $4.^{3.4}$ Thus, with methyl thiocyanate and the dichlorocarbenium salts 1b the hexachloroantimonate 4c is obtained.

Related to compounds 3 is the 1-oxa-3-azoniabutatriene salt 5, which has been prepared by the following route.⁵

Scheme 2

Chloro-substituted 2-azoniaallene salts 3-5 are strong bifunctional (trifunctional in the case of 4) electrophiles, which should undergo cyclization reactions with molecules with two nucleophilic centers. Here, I report such cyclizations of the salts 3a,b,4c, and 5.

Reactions of the cumulenes 3a, b ($R^2 = R^3$) with 6-amino-1,3-dimethyluracil (6) or 1,3-dimethylbarbituric acid (8) afford the heterocycles 7a,b and 9a,b, respectively.

While several syntheses of pyrimido[4,5-d]pyrimidines are known⁶⁻²³ the ring system **9** is unreported in the literature, to the best of my knowledge. Treatment of **7a,b** with aqueous potassium hydroxide yields the free bases **10a,b**. These compounds are also obtained from the heterocycles **9a,b** on reaction with ammonium acetate in boiling acetic acid.

Reactions of 4c with uracil derivative 6, barbituric acid 8, and 1,3-dimethylurea, respectively, do not give the expected eight-membered rings. Instead, mixtures of six-membered heterocycles 7c-e, 9c-e, and 11d,e are formed. This can be rationalized considering the reversibility of the reaction sequence of Scheme 1, that is, compound 4c can reversibly lose either 4-chlorobenzonitrile or methyl thiocyanate. The resulting 1,3-dichloro-substituted 2-azoniaallene salts then react with the nucleophile to afford the products mentioned above. Addition-elimination sequences starting with attack of the nucleophile with comparable probability either on the R²C or the R³C carbon atoms of 4c seem less likely because the electrophilicity of the R²C carbon atom should be much more pronounced than that of the R³C groups.

The cumulene 5 reacts with 2,4,6-trichlorophenylhydrazine to afford the triazolium salt 12. With 1,3-dimethylurea the triazinium salt 13 is obtained, while the uracil 6 furnishes the bicyclus 14. Finally, the barbituric acid 8 is transformed into the bicycle 15. The structures are substantiated by the ¹H, ¹³C NMR, the IR spectra (Table), and the elemental analyses. Problematic are the

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Scheme 3

Scheme 4

assignments to the regioisomers 7c,d and 9c,d, which are based on comparison of the ¹H NMR spectra with those of the bases 17a,b. ^{16,19,20} The known compounds 17a,b are obtained from the reaction of 16a,b⁴ with uracil 6.

Scheme 5

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Compounds 17 show resonances (in DMSO- d_6) for the aryl protons between $\delta = 7.4$ and 7.6. This range seems to be specific for an aryl group in 7-position. In agreement herewith the ¹H NMR spectra of the structurally related salts 7a,b and 9a,b show signals for a 7-aryl substituent around $\delta = 7.5$. However, for the aryl group in 5-position a resonance corresponding to two protons is shifted down-field ($\delta = > 8.3$ see Table 1) due to the deshielding effect of the carbonyl group in 4-position. The other

Table. Selected NMR and IR Data for the Compounds Prepareda

Prod- uct ^a	Molecular Formula	1 H NMR (CD ₃ CN/TMS) δ , J (Hz)	¹³ C NMR (CD ₃ CN/TMS)	IR (KBr) v (cm ⁻¹)
4c	C ₁₁ H ₁₀ Cl ₉ N ₂ S ₂ Sb (675.2)	2.80, 2.89 (CH ₃), 7.66 (m), 8.17 (m) (aryl) ^b	18.9, 20.6 (CH ₃), 130.9, 131.0, 133.9, 144.4 (phenyl), 156.6, 170.0, 190.0 (C=N) ^b	1543, 1589,° 1636
7a	C ₂₀ H ₁₇ Cl ₆ N ₄ O ₂ Sb (679.8)	3.20, 3.67 (CH ₃), 7.46–7.63 (8H), 8.44–8.48 (m, 2H) (phenyl) ^d	28.0, 29.5 (CH ₃), 104.0 (C4a), 127.1, 128.5, 129.0, 129.1, 131.9, 135.9, 138.5 (phenyl), 150.7, 157.6, 159.0, 163.7, 168.8 (C=O, C=N, C8a) ^{d, e}	1570, 1612, 1690, 1736, 3262
7b	C ₂₀ H ₁₅ Cl ₈ N ₄ O ₂ Sb (748.7)	3.30, 3.84 (CH ₃), 7.67–7.76 (6H), 8.27–8.30 (m, 2H) (aryl), 11.95 (NH) ^f		1528, 1563, 1598, 1694, 1752
7e	C ₁₅ H ₁₄ Cl ₇ N ₄ O ₂ SSb (684.3)	2.82 (SCH ₃), 3.25, 3.73n (NCH ₃), 7.53–7.62 (aryl), 8.29 (NH) ^f	15.3 (SCH ₃), 29.3, 31.6 (NCH ₃), 103.6 (C4a), 129.5, 129.7, 131.8, 138.8 (aryl), 151.0, 158.5, 158.9, 163.0, 171.9 (C=O, C=N, C8a) ^f	1520, 1582, 1690, 1740
7d	C ₁₅ H ₁₄ Cl ₇ N ₄ O ₂ SSb (684.3)	2.63 (SCH ₃), 3.43, 3.70 (NCH ₃), 7.41–7.49 (m, 2H), 8.36–8.39 (m, 2H) (aryl) ⁸	14.1 (SCH ₃), 28.2, 29.7 (NCH ₃), 102.7 (C4a), 128.8, 130.3, 134.6, 138.6 (aryl), 150.9, 156.4, 160.2, 162.5, 175.0 (C=O, C=N, C8a) ⁸	were
7e	C ₁₀ H ₁₃ Cl ₆ N ₄ O ₂ S ₂ Sb (619.9)	2.50, 2.58 (SCH ₃), 3.39, 3.57 (NCH ₃) ^g	14.0, 14.4 (SCH ₃), 28.1, 29.6 (NCH ₃), 100.6 (C4a), 150.8, 155.4, 160.2, 173.9, 174.8 (C=O, C=N, C8a) ⁸	
9a	C ₂₀ H ₁₆ Cl ₆ N ₃ O ₃ Sb (680.8)	3.40, 3.91 (CH ₃), 7.62–8.18 (8 H), 8.54–8.58 (m, 2 H) (phenyl) ^f	30.2, 32.3 (CH ₃), 103.5 (C4a), 126.8, 129.6, 131.2, 132.5, 133.5, 134.2, 137.5, 139.4 (phenyl), 148.4, 157.0, 162.6, 165.2, 176.8 (C=O, C=N, C8a) ^f	1549, 1589, 1632, 1709. 1760 ^h
9b	C ₂₀ H ₁₄ Cl ₈ N ₃ O ₃ Sb (749.7)	3.41, 3.89 (CH ₃), 7.65–8.16 (6H), 8.50–8.53 (m, 2H) (aryl) ^f	30.3, 32.4 (CH ₃), 103.7 (C4a), 125.5, 130.0, 131.6, 132.6, 134.0, 135.2, 143.8, 145.9 (aryl), 148.4, 157.0, 161.9, 165.2, 175.2 (C=O, C=N, C8a)	1543, 1582, 1636, 1702, 1756
9с	C ₁₃ H ₁₃ Cl ₇ N ₃ O ₃ SSb ⁱ (661.3)	3.15, 3.26, 3.64 (CH ₃), 7.317.45 (aryl) ⁱ		
9d	C ₁₃ H ₁₃ Cl ₇ N ₃ O ₃ SSb ⁱ (661.3)	7.71 (m, 2H), 8.25 (m, 2H) (aryl) ⁱ		
9e	$C_{10}H_{12}Cl_6N_3O_3S_2Sb$ (620.8)	2.86, 2.92 (SCH ₃), 3.38, 3.62 (NCH ₃) ^j	16.5, 19.2 (SCH ₃), 29.6, 31.5 (NCH ₃) ^j	1531, 1624, 1682, 1748
10a	$C_{20}H_{16}N_4O_2$ (344.3)	3.46, 3.90 (CH ₃), 7.53–7.72 (8H), 8.61–8.65 (m, 2H) (phenyl) ^g	28.5, 29.8 (CH ₃), 103.7 (C 4a), 127.6, 128.5, 129.1, 129.2, 129.8, 132.1, 136.2, 138.4 (phenyl), 151.2, 157.9, 159.5, 165.2, 170.4 (C=O, C=N, C8a) ⁸	1675, 1721 ^t
10b	C ₂₀ H ₁₄ Cl ₂ N ₄ O ₂ (413.2)	3.49, 4.00 (CH ₃), 7.50–7.69 (6H), 8.28–8.32 (m, 2H) (aryl) ^k	30.3, 32.2 (CH ₃), 105.4 (C4a), 127.1, 127.2, 130.4, 130.8, 131.6, 131.9, 141.9, 145.6 (aryl), 151.4, 158.8, 160.6, 161.7, 164.9(?) (C=O, C=N, C8a) ^k	1675, 1721 ^t
11d	C ₁₂ H ₁₃ Cl ₇ N ₃ OSSb (617.2)	2.87 (SCH ₃), 3.67, 3.70 (NCH ₃), 7.67–7.91 (4 H) (aryl) ¹	17.2 (SCH ₃), 34.9, 38.6 (NCH ₃), 129.6, 130.6, 132.7, 141.6 (aryl), 147.9, 167.5, 181.4 (C=O, C=N) ¹	1520, 1570, 1589, i 1756
11e	C ₇ H ₁₂ Cl ₆ N ₃ OS ₂ Sb (552.8)	2.87 (SCH ₃), 3.62 (NCH ₃) ^j	16.9 (SCH ₃), 34.4 (NCH ₃) ^j	1520, 1760
12	C ₁₀ H ₁₀ Cl ₉ N ₄ OSb (643.1)	3.11 (CH ₃), 7.74 (aryl), 9.7 (NH) ^{f, n}	39.6 (CH ₃), 128.7, 130.7, 138.2, 139.5 (aryl), 150.3, 153.2 (C=O, C=N) ^f	1709, 1767
13	C ₇ H ₁₃ Cl ₆ N ₄ O ₂ Sb (519.7)	3.14, 3.18, 3.21, 3.30 (CH ₃), 8.30 (NH) ^f	29.7, 30.4, 37.6, 39.0 (CH ₃), 147.9, 153.1, 156.7 (C=O, C=N) ^f	1648, 1698
14	C ₁₀ H ₁₄ Cl ₆ N ₅ O ₃ Sb (586.7)	3.20, 3.23, 3.48, 3.55 (CH ₃), 8.03, 10.73 (NH) ^f	31.4, 32.0, 37.6, 39.1 (CH ₃), 83.8 (C4a), 147.7, 154.6, 158.2, 160.7, 165.5 (C=O, C=N, C8a) ^f	1571, 1667. 1744, ≈ 3200°
15	C ₁₀ H ₁₃ Cl ₆ N ₄ O ₄ Sb (587.7)	3.34, 3.39, 3.40, 3.58 (CH ₃), 9.41 (NH) ^f	29.2, 31.2, 39.2, 40.4 (CH ₃), 85.0 (C4a), 149.1, 156.5, 162.0, 162.2, 170.8 (C=O, C=N, C8a) ^f	1698, 1756 ^{h. j}
17a 17b	$C_{14}H_{12}N_4O_3$ (284.3)	3.12, 3.47 (CH ₃), 7.43-7.54 (phenyl), 12.45 (OH) ^d	27.6, 29.3 (CH ₃) ^d	1567, 1598. 1679
17b	$C_{14}H_{11}CIN_4O_3$ (318.7)	3.10, 3.45 (CH ₃), 7.45–7.54 (aryl), 12.31 (OH) ^{d, e}	27.6, 29.3 (CH ₃) ^{d, e}	1563, ¹ 1590. 1682

Satisfactory microanalyses obtained: C \pm 0.39, H \pm 0.24, N \pm 0.28.

proton resonances for the 5-aryl group again appear in a narrow range around $\delta = 7.5$. Low-field signals around δ = 8.3 corresponding to two protons are also observed for the salts 7d and 9d, which accordingly must bear an aryl substituent in 5-position. On the other hand, compounds Compound not isolated. In CDCl₃/CD₃CN (1:1).

7c and 9c show only aryl resonances close to $\delta = 7.5$, which are assigned to 7-aryl groups.

For compound 13 an alternative oxadiazinium structure 13' may be discussed. However, ¹H-decoupling experi-

^b At 50°C.

^c Shoulder.

d In DMSO- d_6 .

e At 70°C.

f In CD₃CN at 27°C.

⁸ In CDCl₃ at 27°C.

h In CH2Cl2.

^j In CD₃CN/CD₃NO₂ (1:1) at 60 °C; the substance is sparingly soluble.

k In CF₃COOD/CDCl₃ (1:1).
In CD₃CN at 40°C.
At 0°C.

ⁿ Broad.

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ments show the absence of any HNCH₃ coupling. It is unlikely that the site of protonation in 13' should be the amide nitrogen atom in preference to the more basic exocyclic amidine N.

The reaction of **5** with the aminouracil **6** could in principial lead to two regioisomers. However, only a single compound is formed. The structural assignment **14** is based on an independent synthesis from uracil **18** with the phosgene iminium salt **19**, which affords a product in low yield showing NMR and IR spectra identical to those of **14**. In the ¹H NMR spectrum (CD₃CN) of compound **14** signals at $\delta = 10.73$ and 8.03 are tentatively assigned to OH and NH. It is known that acetic anhydride²⁴ or isocyanates, ^{25,26} acylate 6-aminouracil at C5, and not at the amino group. Furthermore, the carbonyl group of **5** is more electrophilic than the amidine carbon atom. Nucleophilic attack occurs exclusively on C=O of **5**.²⁷⁻³⁵ The structural assignment of **12** is also based on this argument.

Similarly, the reaction of 5 with the barbituric acid 8 affords a single regioisomer, to which structure 15 is assigned, because it is well known that 8 is attacked by nucleophiles on C5.³⁶⁻⁴³

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Me}_{2}\text{N} \\ \text{Me} \\ \text{NH}_{2} \\ \text{NH}_{2} \\ \text{NH}_{2} \\ \text{NH}_{2} \\ \text{Me} \\ \text{NH}_{2} \\ \text{NH}_{2} \\ \text{SbCl}_{6} \\ \text{S$$

Scheme 6

All solvents were dried by standard methods. All experiments were carried out with exclusion of moisture. The following instruments are used. IR – Mattson Polaris FT-IR spectrophotometer; ¹H and ¹³C NMR – Bruker WM-250 and AC-250 spectrometers. The melting points are uncorrected.

1-Chloro-3-[chloro(methylthio)'methyleneamino]-1-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(methylthio)-2-azoniaallene Hexachloroantimonate (4c):⁴

A solution of SbCl₅ (2.99 g, 10 mmol) in ClCH₂CH₂Cl (10 mL) was added dropwise with stirring to a cold (-30°C) solution of trichloro(4-chlorophenyl)methane (2.29 g, 10 mmol) in ClCH₂CH₂Cl (40 mL). An orange precipitate was formed. After stirring at -30°C for 10 min a solution of methyl thiocyanate (1.46 g, 20 mmol) in ClCH₂CH₂Cl (80 mL) was added. The mixture was warmed to 23°C within 30 min and then boiled under reflux for 30 min. Evaporation of the solvent and crystallization of the residue at -20°C from ClCH₂CH₂Cl (20 mL) afforded yellow needles (4.26 g, 63%), which can be recrystallized from CH₂Cl₂ (60 mL); mp

1,2,3,4-Tetrahydro-1,3-dimethyl-2,4-dioxo-5,7-diphenylpyrimido-[4,5-d]pyrimidin-6-ium Hexachloroantimonate (7 a):

A solution of SbCl₅ (2.99 g, 10 mmol) in ClCH₂CH₂Cl (10 mL) was added dropwise at $-30\,^{\circ}$ C to a stirred solution of trichloro(phenyl)methane (1.96 g, 10 mmol) and benzonitrile (1.03 g, 10 mmol) in ClCH₂CH₂Cl (50 mL). After warming to $+23\,^{\circ}$ C the mixture was

boiled under reflux for 10 min. After cooling to $+23\,^{\circ}\text{C}$ a suspension of 6 (1.55 g, 10 mmol) in ClCH₂CH₂Cl (10 mL) was added to the mixture. Boiling under reflux for 3 h and evaporation of the solvent afforded a pale yellow powder (5.55 g, 82%), which could be recrystallized from hot MeCN to give colorless prisms; mp 249–251 °C.

5,7-Bis(4-chlorophenyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-1,3-dimethyl-2,4-dioxopyrimido[4,5-d]pyrimidin-6-ium Hexachloroantimonate (7b):

From trichloro(4-chlorophenyl)methane (2.30 g, 10 mmol) and 4-chlorobenzonitrile (1.38 g, 10 mmol) as described for **7a**. Yield: 6.88 g (92%) of a pale yellow powder; mp 260-263°C (dec). Crystallization from hot MeCN or DMF affords the base **10b**; mp 284-285°C.

7-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-1,3-dimethyl-5-(methylthio)-2,4-dioxopyrimido[4,5-d]pyrimidin-6-ium Hexachloroantimonate (7 c):

From trichloro(4-chlorophenyl)methane (2.30 g, 10 mmol), methyl thiocyanate (1.46 g, 20 mmol) and 6 (1.55 g, 10 mmol), as described for 7a. The mixture was boiled under reflux for 2 h. Crystallization of the oily product from MeCN (20 mL) afforded a mixture of 7d and 7e (2.24 g, 36%) in ratio 1:8 according to the ¹H NMR spectrum. Evaporation of the solvent from the mother liquor and precipitation of the residue from CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL)/ Et_2O (20 mL) afforded 7c as a yellow powder (2.92 g, 43%); mp 152–155 °C (dec).

5,6,7,8-Tetrahydro-6,8-dimethyl-2,4-diphenyl-5,7-dioxopyrimido-[5,4-e]-1,3-oxazin-1-ium Hexachloroantimonate (9 a):

A suspension of 8 (1.56 g, 10 mmol) and 3a prepared in situ as described for 7a in ClCH₂CH₂Cl (50 mL) was boiled under reflux for 30 min. After cooling to 23 °C a pale yellow powder (4.88 g, 72 %) was filtered off; mp 240-243 °C (dec). Recrystallization from hot MeCN furnished yellow prisms.

2,4-Bis(4-chlorophenyl)-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-6,8-dimethyl-5,7-dioxopy-rimido|5,4-e|-1,3-oxazin-1-ium Hexachloroantimonate (9b):

From **3b** (6.67 g, 10 mmol) as described for **9a**. Yield: 6.18 g (82%) of a pale yellow powder, which could be recrystallized from hot MeCN to afford yellow prisms; mp 265-269°C (dec).

5,6,7,8-Tetrahydro-6,8-dimethyl-2,4-bis(methylthio)-5,7-dioxopyrimido[5,4-e]-1,3-oxazin-1-ium Hexachloroantimonate (9 e):

From **4c** prepared from trichloro(4-chlorophenyl)methane (2.30 g, 10 mmol), methyl thiocyanate (1.46 g, 20 mmol) and SbCl₅ (2.99 g, 10 mmol) in situ, and **8** (1.56 g, 10 mmol) as described for **9a**. The mixture was boiled under reflux for 2 h. After cooling to +23 °C a yellow powder (5.36 g) was filtered off. Crystallization from hot MeCN (70 mL) gave yellow prisms (1.86 g, 30 %); mp 250–251 °C (dec). Evaporation of the solvent from the mother liquor and addition of CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) to the oily residue afforded a mixture of compounds. According to the ¹H NMR spectrum (CD₃CN) this mixture consisted of **9c**–**e** and unidentified products.

1,2,3,4-Tetrahydro-1,3-dimethyl-5,7-diphenylpyrimido[4,5-d]pyrimidine-2,4-dione (10a):

Method A: A solution of KOH (16.83 g, 300 mmol) in $\rm H_2O$ (50 mL) was added at + 23 °C to a stirred suspension of **7a** (6.80 g, 10 mmol) in MeCN (50 mL). After stirring for 30 min the organic compound was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3×100 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent afforded a pale yellow powder, which was reprecipitated from CH₂Cl₂ (50 mL)/Et₂O (100 mL). Yield: 3.11 g (90%); mp 224–226 °C (ref²³: 230 °C).

Method B: A mixture of **9a** (6.81 g, 10 mmol) and NH₄OAc (3.85 g, 50 mmol) in AcOH (25 mL) was boiled under reflux for 30 min. After cooling and neutralization with NaHCO₃ in H₂O (200 mL) the mixture was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 × 100 mL). Work-up furnished a pale yellow powder (1.58 g, 46%); mp 220–225 °C.

5,7-Bis(4-chlorophenyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-1,3-dimethylpyrimido-[4,5-d]pyrimidine-2,4-dione (10b):

Method A: From 7b (7.48 g, 10 mmol) as described for 10a. Yield: 2.79 g (68%) of a pale yellow powder, which can be recrystallized from hot DMF to furnish colorless leaflets; mp 284-285°C.

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Method B: From 9b (7.50 g, 10 mmol) as described for 10a. Yield: 2.46 g (60%) of a pale yellow powder; mp 275-280°C.

4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1,3-dimethyl-6-(methylthio)-2-oxo-1,3,5-triazin-1-ium Hexachloroantimonate (11 d) + 2,3-Dihydro-1,3-dimethyl-4,6-bis(methylthio)-2-oxo-1,3,5-triazin-1-ium Hexachloroantimonate (11 e):

A mixture of 4c (6.75 g, 10 mmol) and 1,3-dimethylurea (0.88 g, 10 mmol) in ClCH₂CH₂Cl (30 mL) was stirred at $+23\,^{\circ}$ C for 1 h. Filtration and washing of the precipitate with MeCN (10 mL)/ClCH₂CH₂Cl (10 mL) gives 11e as a colorless powder (1.51 g, 27%); mp $255-256\,^{\circ}$ C (dec). Recrystallization from hot MeCN gives colorless needles. The mother liquor of the preparation of 11e was evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue crystallized on washing with CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL). Yield of 11d: 3.23 g (52%) of a colorless powder. Crystallization from hot MeCN affords colorless prisms; mp $190-192\,^{\circ}$ C (dec).

3-(Dimethylamino)-4,5-dihydro-5-oxo-2-(2,4,6-trichlorophenyl)-1*H*-1,2,4-triazol-2-ium Hexachloroantimonate (12):

A solution of 5 (4.68 g, 10 mmol) and 2,4,6-(trichlorophenyl)hydrazine (2.11 g, 10 mmol) in MeCN (30 mL) was boiled under reflux for 5 min. Filtration from an impurity and evaporation of the filtrate left back an oily residue, which crystallized at $-20\,^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$ from CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL)/pentane (2 mL). Yield: 4.76 g (74%) of pale yellow fine crystals; mp 205–207 °C (dec).

6-(Dimethylamino)-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1,3-dimethyl-2,4-dioxo-1,3,5-triazin-1-ium Hexachloroantimonate (13):

From 5 (4.68 g, 10 mmol) and 1,3-dimethylurea (0.88 g, 10 mmol) as described for 12. Evaporation of the filtrate afforded a colorless powder (4.21 g, 81 %); mp 203-207 °C (dec). Reprecipitation from MeCN/Et₂O afforded a colorless powder.

7-(Dimethylamino)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-5-hydroxy-1,3-dimethyl-2,4-dioxopyrimido|4,5-d|pyrimidin-8-ium Hexachloroantimonate (14):

- a) A solution of **5** (4.68 g, 10 mmol) and **6** (1.55 g, 10 mmol) in MeCN (40 mL) was refluxed for 30 min. After cooling to 23 °C and slow addition of Et₂O (100 mL) a buff powder (4.76 g, 81 %) was filtered off; mp 210-213 °C (dec). Reprecipitation from MeCN/Et₂O afforded a colorless powder.
- b) A mixture of 18⁴⁴ (1.98 g, 10 mmol) and 19 (4.61 g, 10 mmol, prepared from the chloride⁴⁵ with SbCl₅) in ClCH₂CH₂Cl (60 mL) was boiled under reflux for 2 h. After cooling to 23°C a pale yellow powder was filtered off (2.19 g, 37%).
- 2-(Dimethylamino)-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4-hydroxy-6,8-dimethyl-5,7-dioxopyrimido[5,4-e]-1,3-oxazin-1-ium Hexachloroantimonate (15): From 6 (1.56 g, 10 mmol) as described for 14. Yield: 5.22 g (88 %) of a buff powder, which could be reprecipitated from MeCN/Et₂O; mp 209 211 °C (dec).

1,2,3,4-Tetrahydro-5-hydroxy-1,3-dimethyl-7-phenylpyrimido[4,5-*d*]-pyrimidine-2,4-dione (17 a):

A solution of $16a^4$ (2.02 g, 10 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) was added to a suspension of 6 (1.55 g, 10 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (30 mL). After stirring for 24 h at 23 °C the solvent was evaporated and the residue was crystallized from MeCN (40 mL) at -20 °C. Yield: 1.74 g (61%) of a colorless powder; mp > 300 °C).

7-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-5-hydroxy-1,3-dimethylpyrimido[4,5-d]pyrimidine-2,4-dione (17b):

A mixture of 16b⁴ (2.37 g, 10 mmol) and 6 (1.55 g, 10 mmol) in MeCN (40 mL) was stirred at 23 °C for 10 h and then boiled under reflux for 2 h. After cooling to 23 °C a colorless powder was filtered off (2.52 g, 79 %); mp > 300 °C).

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