

## Novel Synthesis of Di-imines by the Transformation of 1-Aryl-4,6-disubstituted Pyrimidin-2(1H)-ones

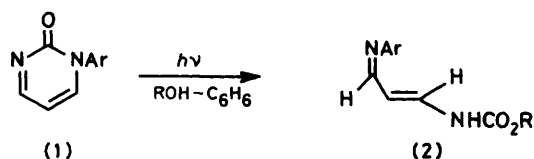
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The di-imines (4), which are versatile starting materials for the synthesis of heterocycles, are obtained in fair yields when the 1-aryl-4,6-disubstituted pyrimidin-2(1H)-ones (3) are treated with alkoxide, both photochemically and thermally. The di-imines (4) thus obtained, when treated with carbon disulphide, give the 1,3-thiazine-2-thiones (8) and/or the 1-arylpyrimidine-2(1H)-thiones (9).

THE di-imine compounds (4) may be considered as 1-azabutadiene derivatives and used as intermediates in the synthesis of various heterocycles that contain one or two nitrogen atoms in the ring, such as the pyridines,<sup>1</sup> pyrimidines,<sup>2</sup> and pyrazoles.<sup>3</sup> It has been reported that the di-imines (4) can be prepared by the reaction of Schiff bases with saturated nitriles in the presence of aluminium trichloride as a catalyst.<sup>4</sup> We report herein a new method for the synthesis of the di-imines (4) by the transformation of 1-aryl-4,6-disubstituted pyrimidin-2(1H)-ones (3).

### RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

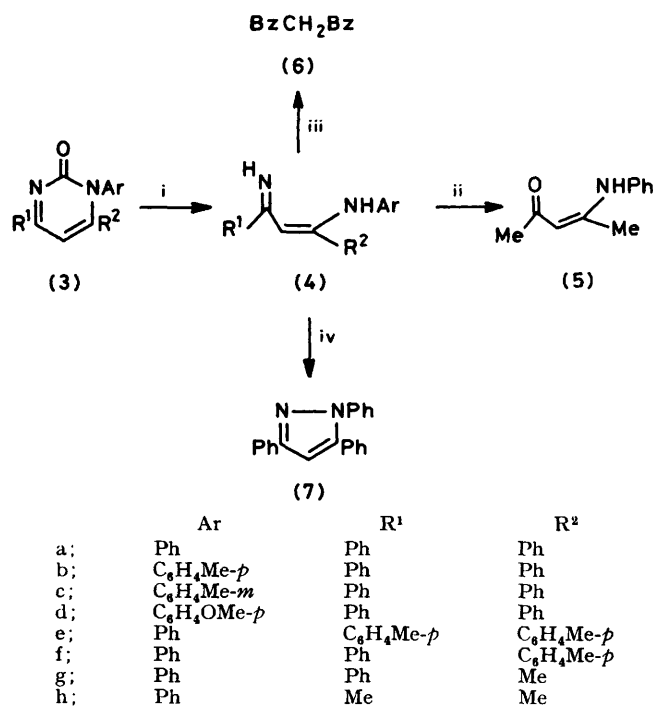
**Transformation of 1-Aryl-4,6-disubstituted Pyrimidin-2(1H)-ones (3) to the Di-imines (4).**—We reported previously the photochemical ring-opening of 1-arylpyrimidin-2(1H)-ones (1) to 1-alkoxycarbonylamino-3-aryl-iminoprop-1-enes (2).<sup>5</sup> In order to elucidate the mech-



anism of formation of compounds (2), we investigated the photochemical reactions of the 1-arylpyrimidin-2(1H)-ones (1) and (3) in the presence of alkoxide. Irradiation of 1-phenylpyrimidin-2(1H)-one (1; Ar = Ph) in methanol-benzene (1 : 20) in the presence of sodium methoxide gave an intractable mixture. However, a solution of the pyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3a) in methanol-benzene (1 : 20) in the presence of sodium methoxide was irradiated with a high-pressure mercury lamp at room temperature for 12 h and then purified by a silica gel column chromatography to give the di-imine (4a) in 86% yield. On the other hand, irradiation of compound (3a) in methanol in the absence of sodium methoxide gave 3,4,6-triphenyl-2-oxo-1,3-diazabicyclo[2.2.0]hex-5-ene.<sup>6</sup> The di-imine (4a) was also obtained in 76% yield when the arylpyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3a) was refluxed † in methanol-benzene (1 : 20) in the presence of sodium methoxide for 10 h. The structure of di-imine (4a) was confirmed on

† When compound (3a) was treated with sodium methoxide in methanol-benzene (1 : 20) at room temperature, no products were obtained and compound (3a) was recovered quantitatively.

the basis of physical properties and elemental analysis (see Experimental section). As expected, the di-imine (4a), when treated with hydrochloric acid in ethanol, gave dibenzoylmethane (6) in nearly quantitative yield. Furthermore, treatment of the di-imine (4a) with thionyl chloride in pyridine at 90 °C for 3 h<sup>3</sup> gave 1,3,5-triphenylpyrazole (7) in 91% yield (Scheme 1).



SCHEME 1 i,  $h\nu$  or heat, alkoxide; ii, silica gel [(3h) only]; iii, HCl-EtOH [(4a) only]; iv, 90 °C, SOCl<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>N [(4a) only]

The di-imine (4a) was also obtained in fair yields by the treatment of the pyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3a) with sodium ethoxide or potassium *t*-butoxide. Similarly, the other 1-aryl-4,6-disubstituted pyrimidin-2(1H)-ones (3b)—(3g) were treated with alkoxide to afford the di-imines (4b)—(4g). In case of the pyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3h), 4-anilinopent-3-en-2-one (5) was obtained *via* hydrolysis of the imine functional group of the di-imine (4h), presumably formed initially from the reaction of compound (3h) with alkoxide. The results are summarized in Table 1.

### Reaction of Di-imines (4) with Carbon Disulphide.—

The versatility of di-imines (4) in the synthesis of various heterocycles that contain nitrogen atoms has been reported.<sup>7</sup> We examined the reaction of the di-imine (4) with carbon disulphide\* and found that the 1,3-thiazine-2-thiones (8) and/or 1-arylpyrimidine-2(1H)-thiones (9)

TABLE 1

The di-imines (4) obtained from the 1-aryl-4,6-disubstituted pyrimidin-2(1H)-ones (3)

Compd.	Conditions	Alkoxide	Solvent	Yield of (4) (%) <sup>a</sup>
(3a)	<i>hν</i> , 12 h	NaOMe	MeOH-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	86
	reflux, 10 h	NaOMe	MeOH-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	76
	<i>hν</i> , 12 h	NaOEt	EtOH-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	75
	reflux, 5 h	KOBu <sup>t</sup>	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	71
(3b)	<i>hν</i> , 12 h	NaOMe	MeOH-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	80
	reflux, 5 h	KOBu <sup>t</sup>	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	57
(3c)	<i>hν</i> , 12 h	NaOMe	MeOH-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	81
(3d)	<i>hν</i> , 10 h	NaOMe	MeOH-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	70
	reflux, 5 h	KOBu <sup>t</sup>	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	65
(3e)	<i>hν</i> , 12 h	NaOMe	MeOH-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	56
(3f)	<i>hν</i> , 12 h	NaOMe	MeOH-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	63
(3g)	<i>hν</i> , 12 h	NaOMe	MeOH-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	40
	reflux, 5 h	KOBu <sup>t</sup>	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	10
(3h)	<i>hν</i> , 15 h	NaOMe	MeOH-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	43 <sup>b</sup>

<sup>a</sup> Isolated yield. <sup>b</sup> The yield of 4-anilinopent-3-en-2-one (5).

were formed. A solution of the di-imine (4a) in carbon disulphide was heated at 70 °C for 5 h to give the 1,3-thiazine-2-thione (8a) and pyrimidine-2(1H)-thione (9a) in 31% and trace yields, respectively. The structure of the 1,3-thiazine-2-thione (8a) was confirmed by spectroscopic data and elemental analyses. Similarly, other di-imines [(4b), (4d), (4g), and (4i)] reacted with carbon disulphide to give the 1,3-thiazine-2-thiones (8a) and (8i) and the pyrimidine-2(1H)-thiones (9d), (9g), and (9i) (see Table 2).

TABLE 2

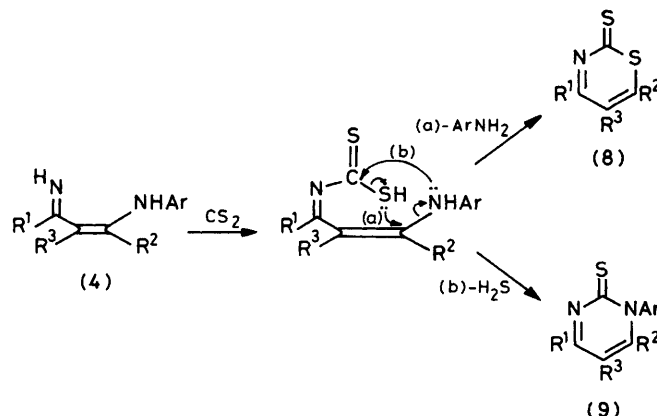
1,3-Thiazine-2-thiones (8) and 1-arylpyrimidine-2(1H)-thiones (9) obtained from the di-imines (4) and carbon disulphide

Compound	Yield (%)	
	(8)	(9)
(4a)	31	trace
(4b)	38	trace
(4d)	30	36
(4g)	trace	24
(4i) <sup>a</sup>	36	64

<sup>a</sup> The di-imine (4i) was independently prepared according to a method described previously (ref. 4).

The formation of 1,3-thiazine-2-thiones (8) and pyrimidine-1(2H)-thiones (9) can be explained easily by two alternative reaction paths, (a) and (b) (see Scheme 2). In all cases, the formation of aniline derivatives was detected by gas chromatography.

\* Burluenga and his co-workers have reported that di-imines, prepared by the reaction of Schiff bases with saturated nitriles in the presence of aluminium trichloride,<sup>4</sup> reacted with carbon disulphide to afford pyrimidine-2(1H)-thiones in high yields.<sup>8</sup> In the experimental conditions described herein, 1,3-thiazine-2-thiones (8), in addition to pyrimidine-2(1H)-thiones, were obtained.



SCHEME 2 For compounds (4a), (4b), (4d), (4g), and (4i). [R<sup>3</sup> = H for (4a), (4b), (4d), and (4g); compound (4i), prepared using a method described in ref. 4, has Ar = R<sup>1</sup> = R<sup>2</sup> = Ph, R<sup>3</sup> = Me]

### EXPERIMENTAL

**Starting Materials.**—The pyrimidin-2(1H)-ones (3a)—(3g) were prepared by a modification of a method described previously<sup>9,10</sup> and compound (3h) was prepared as described in reference 10. The properties of, and data for, compounds (3a)—(3h) are listed below.

**1,4,6-Triphenylpyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3a)** had m.p. 247.5—249 °C;  $\lambda$ (EtOH) 208 ( $\epsilon$   $3.61 \times 10^4$ ), 277 ( $1.97 \times 10^4$ ), and 340 nm ( $1.28 \times 10^4$ );  $\nu$ (KBr) 1 670 cm<sup>-1</sup>;  $\delta$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 6.93 (1 H, s), 7.1—7.7 (13 H, m), and 8.15—8.35 (2 H, m) (Found: C, 81.2; H, 4.85; N, 8.65. C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O requires C, 81.45; H, 4.95; N, 8.45%).

**4,6-Diphenyl-1-p-tolylpyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3b)** had m.p. 245—246.5 °C;  $\lambda$ (EtOH) 207 ( $\epsilon$   $3.79 \times 10^4$ ), 277 ( $1.84 \times 10^4$ ), and 340 nm ( $1.25 \times 10^4$ );  $\nu$ (KBr) 1 650 cm<sup>-1</sup>;  $\delta$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 2.27 (3 H, s), 6.89 (1 H, s), 7.05—7.70 (12 H, m), and 8.15—8.35 (2 H, m) (Found: C, 81.5; H, 5.2; N, 8.3. C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O requires C, 81.65; H, 5.35; N, 8.3%).

**4,6-Diphenyl-1-m-tolylpyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3c)** had m.p. 206—207 °C;  $\nu$ (KBr) 1 675 cm<sup>-1</sup>;  $\delta$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 2.26 (3 H, s), 6.87 (1 H, s), 6.9—7.3 (10 H, m), 7.43—7.57 (2 H, m), and 8.15—8.20 (2 H, m) (Found: C, 81.35; H, 5.15; N, 8.35. C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O requires C, 81.65; H, 5.35; N, 8.3%).

**1-p-Methoxyphenyl-4,6-diphenylpyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3d)** had m.p. 283—284 °C;  $\lambda$ (EtOH) 207 ( $\epsilon$   $3.82 \times 10^4$ ), 227sh ( $2.20 \times 10^4$ ), 277 ( $2.01 \times 10^4$ ), and 339 nm ( $1.30 \times 10^4$ );  $\nu$ (KBr) 1 655 cm<sup>-1</sup>;  $\delta$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 3.77 (3 H, s), 6.80—7.65 (13 H, m), and 8.15—8.35 (2 H, m) (Found: C, 77.75; H, 5.0; N, 8.1. C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> requires C, 77.95; H, 5.1; N, 7.9%).

**1-Phenyl-4,6-di-p-tolylpyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3e)** had m.p. 205—206 °C;  $\nu$ (KBr) 1 670 cm<sup>-1</sup>;  $\delta$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 2.28 (3 H, s), 2.43 (3 H, s), 6.85 (1 H, s), 7.00—7.25 (11 H, m), and 8.11 (2 H, d, *J* 8.3 Hz) (Found: C, 81.45; H, 5.65; N, 7.9. C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O requires C, 81.8; H, 5.7; N, 7.9%).

**1,4-Diphenyl-6-p-tolylpyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3f)** had m.p. 173 °C (decomp.);  $\nu$ (KBr) 1 665 cm<sup>-1</sup>;  $\delta$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>-CD<sub>3</sub>OD) 2.30 (3 H, s), 6.94 (1 H, s), 7.00—7.58 (12 H, m), and 8.10—8.20 (2 H, m) (Found: C, 81.35; H, 5.35; N, 8.35. C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O requires C, 81.65; H, 5.35; N, 8.3%).

**6-Methyl-1,4-diphenylpyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3g)** had m.p. 271—272 °C;  $\nu$ (KBr) 1 645 cm<sup>-1</sup>;  $\delta$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 2.07 (3 H, d, *J* 0.7 Hz), 6.77 (1 H, d, *J* 0.7 Hz), 7.20—7.55 (8 H, m), and 8.10—8.20 (2 H, m) (Found: C, 77.7; H, 5.4; N, 10.85. C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O requires C, 77.85; H, 5.35; N, 10.65%).

**4,6-Dimethyl-1-phenylpyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3h)** had m.p. 243–244 °C (lit.,<sup>10</sup> m.p. 245–246 °C;  $\lambda(\text{EtOH})$  210 ( $\epsilon$   $2.23 \times 10^4$ ) and 304 nm ( $9.5 \times 10^3$ );  $\nu(\text{KBr})$  1 650  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $\delta(\text{CDCl}_3)$  1.97 (3 H, d,  $J$  0.7 Hz), 2.40 (3 H, s), 6.20 (1 H, d,  $J$  0.7 Hz), 7.14–7.31 (2 H, m), and 7.40–7.57 (3 H, m).

**General Procedure for the Photochemical Reactions of the Pyrimidin-2(1H)-ones (3) in the Presence of Alkoxide.**—A solution of the pyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3) (200 mg) in benzene (40 ml) in the presence of alkoxide [prepared from sodium (1 mol equiv.) and alcohol (2 ml)] was irradiated with a high-pressure mercury lamp for 10–15 h under argon at room temperature. After removal of the solvent, the residue was chromatographed on a silica gel column with benzene–ethyl acetate (10 : 1) to give the di-imine (4) [Note: Compound (3h) gave the product (5)]. The data for compounds (4a)–(4g) and (5) are given below.

**General Procedure for Thermal Reactions of the Pyrimidin-2(1H)-ones (3) in the Presence of Alkoxide.**—A solution of the pyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3) (200 mg) and alkoxide (1 mol equiv.) in benzene (40 ml) was refluxed under argon for 5–10 h. After removal of the solvent, the residue was chromatographed on a silica gel column. Elution with benzene–ethyl acetate (10 : 1) yielded the di-imine (4).

**3-Anilino-1,3-diphenylprop-2-enimine (4a)** had m.p. 129.5–130.5 °C (from chloroform–hexane);  $\lambda(\text{EtOH})$  205 ( $\epsilon$   $3.34 \times 10^4$ ), 238 ( $1.82 \times 10^4$ ), and 363 nm ( $1.75 \times 10^4$ );  $\nu(\text{KBr})$  3 455, 1 615, and 1 600  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $\delta(\text{CDCl}_3)$  5.39 (1 H, s) and 6.67–7.66 (17 H, m);  $\delta_{\text{C}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  96.3 (d), 156.6 (s), and 168.0 p.p.m. (s), in addition to aromatic carbon peaks (Found: C, 84.4; H, 6.05; N, 9.5.  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2$  requires C, 84.55; H, 6.05; N, 9.4%).

**1,3-Diphenyl-3-p-toluidinoprop-2-enimine (4b)** had m.p. 164–165 °C (from chloroform–hexane);  $\lambda(\text{EtOH})$  207 ( $\epsilon$   $2.90 \times 10^4$ ), 239 ( $1.85 \times 10^4$ ), and 365 nm ( $1.65 \times 10^4$ );  $\nu(\text{KBr})$  3 455, 1 620, and 1 600  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $\delta(\text{CDCl}_3)$  2.22 (3 H, s), 5.38 (1 H, s), 6.62 (2 H, d,  $J$  7.8 Hz), 6.90 (2 H, d,  $J$  7.8 Hz), and 7.13–7.66 (12 H, m) (Found: C, 84.35; H, 6.4; N, 8.95.  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2$  requires C, 84.6; H, 6.45; N, 8.95%).

**1,3-Diphenyl-3-m-toluidinoprop-2-enimine (4c)** had m.p. 86–87 °C (from chloroform–hexane);  $\nu(\text{KBr})$  3 450, 1 615, and 1 575  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $\delta(\text{CDCl}_3)$  2.20 (3 H, s), 5.38 (1 H, s), and 6.42–7.66 (16 H, m) (Found: C, 84.45; H, 6.45; N, 8.7.  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2$  requires C, 84.6; H, 6.45; N, 8.95%).

**3-p-Anisidino-1,3-diphenylprop-2-enimine (4d)** had m.p. 134.5–135 °C (from chloroform–hexane);  $\lambda(\text{EtOH})$  206 ( $\epsilon$   $3.01 \times 10^4$ ), 238 ( $1.85 \times 10^4$ ), and 369 nm ( $1.55 \times 10^4$ );  $\nu(\text{KBr})$  3 460, 1 610, and 1 600  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $\delta(\text{CDCl}_3)$  3.70 (3 H, s), 5.37 (1 H, s), 6.65 (4 H, s), and 7.21–7.66 (12 H, m) (Found: C, 80.4; H, 6.1; N, 8.65.  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}$  requires C, 80.45; H, 6.15; N, 8.55%).

**3-Anilino-1,3-di-p-tolylprop-2-enimine (4e)** had m.p. 127–128 °C (from chloroform–hexane);  $\lambda(\text{EtOH})$  206 ( $\epsilon$   $3.96 \times 10^4$ ), 244 ( $1.85 \times 10^4$ ), and 363 nm ( $1.89 \times 10^4$ );  $\nu(\text{KBr})$  3 455, 1 615, and 1 595  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $\delta(\text{CDCl}_3)$  2.27 (3 H, s), 2.38 (3 H, s), 5.38 (1 H, s), 6.68–7.20 (13 H, m), and 7.51 (2 H, d,  $J$  8.3 Hz) (Found: C, 84.55; H, 6.7; N, 8.5.  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2$  requires C, 84.6; H, 6.8; N, 8.6%).

**3-Anilino-1-phenyl-3-p-tolylprop-2-enimine (4f)** had m.p. 124.5–125.5 °C (from chloroform–hexane);  $\lambda(\text{EtOH})$  205 ( $\epsilon$   $3.56 \times 10^4$ ), 236 ( $1.82 \times 10^4$ ), and 360 nm ( $1.71 \times 10^4$ );  $\nu(\text{KBr})$  3 470, 1 610, and 1 520  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $\delta(\text{CDCl}_3)$  2.26 (3 H, s), 5.39 (1 H, s), and 6.69–7.66 (16 H, m) (Found: C, 84.55; H, 6.45; N, 8.9.  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2$  requires C, 84.6; H, 6.45; N, 8.95%).

**3-Anilino-1-phenylbut-2-enimine (4g)** had m.p. 82.5–83.5 °C (from chloroform–hexane);  $\lambda(\text{EtOH})$  204 ( $\epsilon$   $3.36 \times 10^4$ ), 229 ( $1.78 \times 10^4$ ), and 339 nm ( $1.89 \times 10^4$ );  $\nu(\text{KBr})$  3 450, 1 615, and 1 590  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $\delta(\text{CDCl}_3)$  1.95 (3 H, s), 5.16 (1 H, s), and 6.79–7.63 (12 H, m) (Found: C, 81.2; H, 6.8; N, 11.55.  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_2$  requires C, 81.3; H, 6.8; N, 11.85%).

**4-Anilinopent-3-en-2-one (5)** had m.p. 101.5–103 °C (lit.,<sup>11</sup> m.p. 103 °C);  $\nu(\text{KBr})$  1 660 and 1 565  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $\delta(\text{CDCl}_3)$  1.99 (3 H, s), 2.10 (3 H, s), 5.19 (1 H, s), 7.05–7.43 (5 H, m), and 12.47br (1 H, s).

**Reaction of the Di-imine (4a) with Hydrochloric Acid.**—A solution of the di-imine (4a) (100 mg) and hydrochloric acid (1 ml) in ethanol (10 ml) was refluxed for 1 h. The reaction mixture was poured into water and extracted with dichloromethane. The extract was washed with aqueous sodium hydrogencarbonate, water, and then dried (anhydrous  $\text{MgSO}_4$ ). After removal of the solvent, the residue was recrystallized from benzene–hexane to yield dibenzoylmethane (6) in quantitative yield.

**Reaction of the Di-imine (4a) with Thionyl Chloride in Pyridine.**—To a solution of the di-imine (4a) (100 mg) in pyridine (5 ml) was added thionyl chloride (50 mg) at 0 °C (ice-bath). The mixture was stirred while being warmed to room temperature and then heated at 90 °C for 8 h. The reaction mixture was poured into ice-water and extracted with dichloromethane. The extract was washed with aqueous sodium hydrogencarbonate, water, and then dried (anhydrous  $\text{MgSO}_4$ ). After removal of the solvent, the residue was recrystallized from hexane to yield 1,3,5-tripyrzole (7) (91% yield), m.p. 139 °C (lit.,<sup>3</sup> m.p. 138–139 °C);  $\nu(\text{BKr})$  1 595, 1 560, 1 505, 1 485, 1 320, 1 310, 1 125, 765, 710, and 690  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $\delta(\text{CDCl}_3)$  6.96 (1 H, s), 7.16–7.58 (13 H, m), and 8.09–8.19 (2 H, m).

**Reaction of the Di-imines (4a), (4b), (4d), (4g), and (4i)\* with Carbon Disulphide.**—A solution of the di-imine (4) (100 mg) in carbon disulphide (5 ml) in a sealed tube was heated at 70 °C for 5–10 h. After the carbon disulphide had been evaporated off under reduced pressure, the residual oil was chromatographed with benzene–ethyl acetate (10 : 1) to give the 1,3-thiazine-2(1H)-thione (8) and/or pyrimidine-2(1H)-thione (9). Data for compounds (8a), (8i), (9d), (9g), and (9i) are given below.

**4,6-Diphenyl-1,3-thiazine-2-thione (8a)** had m.p. 152–153 °C (from chloroform–hexane);  $\lambda(\text{EtOH})$  205 ( $\epsilon$   $2.67 \times 10^4$ ), 242 ( $1.51 \times 10^4$ ), 321 ( $3.51 \times 10^4$ ), and 479 nm ( $5.1 \times 10^3$ );  $\nu(\text{KBr})$  1 580, 1 560, 1 455, 1 240, 1 060, 760, and 690  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  7.40–7.75 (9 H, m) and 8.15–8.30 (2 H, m);  $\delta_{\text{C}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  111.4 (d), 136.7 (s), 164.3 (s), and 168.3 p.p.m. (s), in addition to aromatic carbon peaks (Found: C, 68.0; H, 3.9; N, 4.95.  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{11}\text{NS}_2$  requires C, 68.3; H, 3.95; N, 5.0%).

**5-Methyl-4,6-diphenyl-1,3-thiazine-2-thione (8i)** had m.p. 134–135 °C (from chloroform–hexane);  $\lambda(\text{EtOH})$  206 ( $\epsilon$   $2.93 \times 10^4$ ), 234 ( $1.60 \times 10^4$ ), 315 ( $2.61 \times 10^4$ ), and 459 nm ( $4.9 \times 10^3$ );  $\nu(\text{KBr})$  1 595, 1 545, 1 445, 1 250, 1 045, 755, and 690  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  2.10 (3 H, s), 7.41–7.51 (8 H, m), and 7.68–7.78 (2 H, m);  $\delta_{\text{C}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  19.0 (q), 122.2 (s), 138.2 (s), 163.8 (s), and 169.1 p.p.m. (s), in addition to aromatic carbon peaks (Found: C, 69.1; H, 4.4; N, 4.7.  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{13}\text{NS}_2$  requires C, 69.1; H, 4.45; N, 4.75%).

**1-p-Methoxyphenyl-4,6-diphenylpyrimidine-2(1H)-thione (9d)** had m.p. 245 °C (decomp.) (from chloroform–hexane);

\* The di-imine (4i) was independently prepared according to a method described previously (ref. 4).

$\lambda(\text{EtOH})$  209 ( $\epsilon$   $3.38 \times 10^4$ ), 298 ( $4.44 \times 10^4$ ), and 409 nm ( $4.0 \times 10^3$ );  $\nu(\text{KBr})$  1 605, 1 590, 1 570, 1 510, 1 355, and 1 240  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $\delta(\text{CDCl}_3)$  3.74 (3 H, s), 6.66—7.54 (13 H, m), and 8.18—8.28 (2 H, m) (Found: C, 74.65; H, 4.85; N, 7.45; N, 7.45.  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{OS}$  requires C, 74.6; H, 4.85; N, 7.55%).

6-Methyl-1,4-diphenylpyrimidine-2(1H)-thione (9g) had m.p. 210—211 °C (decomp.) (from chloroform-hexane);  $\nu(\text{KBr})$  1 605, 1 590, 1 515, 1 350, and 1 240  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $\delta(\text{CDCl}_3)$  2.12 (3 H, d,  $J$  0.6 Hz), 7.10 (1 H, d,  $J$  0.6 Hz), 7.19—7.30 (2 H, m), 7.42—7.64 (6 H, m), and 8.14—8.24 (2 H, m) (Found: C, 73.1; H, 5.0; N, 10.0.  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_2\text{S}$  requires C, 73.35; H, 5.0; N, 10.05%).

5-Methyl-1,4,6-triphenylpyrimidine-2(1H)-thione (9i) had m.p. 297—298 °C (lit.,<sup>8</sup> m.p. 298—299 °C);  $\nu(\text{KBr})$  1 605, 1 580, 1 570, 1 500, 1 355, and 1 240  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  1.89 (3 H, s), 6.99—7.30 (11 H, m), 7.43—7.50 (2 H, m), and 7.67—7.78 (2 H, m);  $\delta_{\text{C}}(\text{CDCl}_3)$  16.9 (q), 116.2 (s), 158.9 (s), 169.1 (s), and 182.2 p.p.m. (s), in addition to aromatic carbon peaks.

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