# Synthesis of (pyrimidin-4-yloxy)- and (pyrimidin-3-yl)acetyl azides and their rearrangement to carbamates and ureas

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#### **Abstract**

On nitrosation of (pyrimidin-4-yloxy)- and (pyrimidin-3-yl)acetohydrazides **2**, **3** with sodium nitrite in diluted hydrochloric acid at 0-5 °C the corresponding (pyrimidinyl)acetyl azides **5**, **6** were prepared. Azides **5**, **6** undergo Curtius rearrangement in the reactions with alcohols, phenols, arylamines or water to give carbamates **7-9**, **11-14** or ureas **15-21**.

**Keywords:** (Pyrimidinyl)acetyl azide, (pyrimidinyl)methylcarbamate, (pyrimidinyl)methylurea, nitrosation, Curtius rearrangement

## Introduction

In recent years naturally occurring and synthetic heterocyclic compounds are of interest in pharmaceutical and pesticide research.<sup>1</sup> Pyrimidines, in particular, cover the considerable position among compounds exhibiting diverse biological activities.<sup>2-6</sup> On the other hand, compounds with the linkage of carbamate or urea are citied to show cytotoxic,<sup>7-12</sup> antimicrobial and insecticidal<sup>13</sup> or fatty acid amide hydrolase inhibitory<sup>14</sup> activity. There are some recent examples of biologically active pyrimidine-based carbamates and ureas.<sup>15-19</sup>

Carbamates and ureas are frequently synthesized from acyl azides *via* Curtius rearrangement. A number of methods for the synthesis of acyl azides have been reported. Acyl azides are commonly prepared from carboxylic acid and ethyl chloroformate *via* mixed anhydrides and sodium azide or by the reaction of acyl chlorides with trimethylsilyl azide. A. R. Katritzsky *et al.* recently reported a simple and safe synthesis of acyl azides from the corresponding N-acyl benzotriazoles and sodium azide. Acyl azides can also be prepared from hydrazides by nitrozation with sodium nitrite in acidic media. This approach is a convenient one, especially for readily accessible hydrazides. Hydrazide nitrosation to give acyl azides is applied for a large-scale synthesis.

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Continuing our interest in the synthesis of compounds with potential biological activity, <sup>6,25</sup> herein we report the synthesis of new pyrimidine-based acetyl azides and their rearrangement reactions to form carbamates and ureas.

#### **Results and Discussion**

Previously we reported the synthesis of acetyl azide **4** by nitrosation of hydrazide **1** in a 50% acetic acid or diluted hydrochloric acid.<sup>26</sup> Performing this reaction in acetic acid the yield of azide **4** was higher, when in a diluted hydrochloric acid together with the azide **4** formation some azide **6** was obtained. In this work azides **5**, **6** were successfully prepared under treatment of acetohydrazides **2**, **3** with sodium nitrite at 0-5 °C in a diluted hydrochloric acid solution (Scheme 1).

#### Scheme 1

Compounds **5**, **6** were sufficiently pure to be used for further rearrangement reactions. The IR spectra of acyl azides **5**, **6** display strong absorption bands characteristic for azide stretching vibrations at 2158 and 2150 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively.

Acyl azides undergo thermal rearrangement in an inert solvents to give isocyanates (Curtius rearrangement), which on reaction with alcohols or amines lead to the formation of carbamates and ureas.<sup>21</sup> Azide **5** being heated at reflux in benzene with phenols gave carbamates **7-9** (Scheme 2).

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R = H (7), Cl (8), F (9).i: 4-R-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-OH, dry C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>; ii: C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>, dry C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>.

#### Scheme 2

Analytically pure carbamates **7-9** after recrystallization from 2-propanol were isolated in 43-59% yields. The reaction of azide **5** and benzylamine to form the corresponding urea was unsuccessful, amide **10** was isolated instead. Heating of azide **5** at reflux in benzene for 4 h to rearrange to isocyanate, then addition of benzylamine and further heating for 1 h gave a complex mixture of unidentified products. By adding azide **5** and benzylamine at one go and immediate heating in benzene for 1 h resulted in amide **10** formation in 67% yield. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of carbamates **7-9** show characteristic dublets at 5.50 and 5.51 ppm for OCH<sub>2</sub> group protons and triplets for NH protons (broad singlet for comp. **8**) in the region of 6.53-6.56 ppm. In the <sup>1</sup>H NMR of amide **10** singlet at 4.95 ppm for OCH<sub>2</sub> group protons, dublet at 4.56 ppm for CH<sub>2</sub> benzyl protons and broad singlet at 6.60 ppm due to NH proton were observed.

In contrast to azide **5**, reactions of azide **6** with nucleophiles proceeded smoothly and yields of products were higher (Scheme 3).

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$$R = H$$
 (12),  $Cl$  (13),  $F$  (14);  $R^1 = R^2 = R^3 = H$  (15);  $R^1 = CH_3$ ,  $R^2 = R^3 = H$  (16);  $R^1 = R^2 = H$ ,  $R^3 = OCH_3$  (17);  $R^1 = R^2 = H$ ,  $R^3 = F$  (18);  $R^1 = R^3 = Cl$ ,  $R^2 = H$  (19);  $R^1 = R^3 = H$ ,  $R^2 = CF_3$  (20).

i: abs. 
$$CH_3OH$$
; ii:  $R$ —OH , dry dioxane; iii:  $R^3$ — $NH_2$  , dry dioxane; iv:  $H_2O$ , dioxane.

#### Scheme 3

Thus, azide 6 under heating at reflux for 5 h in methanol gave carbamate 11 in 56% yield. For reactions with phenols dry solvents, benzene and dioxane, were used. In benzene azide 6 did not show any reaction with phenols, likely because of poor solubility. In dioxane on heating at reflux for 5 h azide 6 with phenols furnished carbamates 12-14 in 63-74% yields. In the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of 11-14 the characteristic doublets for NCH<sub>2</sub> group protons were observed at 5.09 and 5.18 ppm along with the broad singlets in the region of 7.49 and 8.17-8.25 ppm. due to NH protons.

Heating at reflux of acyl azide 6 and arylamines in dioxane for 1 h produced ureas 15-20 in 57-88% yields, while heating at reflux for 4 h of azide 6 in the presence of water gave disubstituted urea 21. In the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of ureas 15-20 characteristic dublets for NCH<sub>2</sub> group protons resonate at 5.22-5.25 ppm and the nearby NH proton shifts appear as triplets in the region of 6.78-7.86 ppm (for comp. 15 and 16 these peaks overlap with signals of aromatic protons). Besides the well-distinctive sharp one-proton peaks due to the NH group next to aromatic ring are observed downfield at 7.94-9.13 ppm. The symmetrical urea 21 spectrum shows a dublet at 5.10 ppm for NCH<sub>2</sub> group protons and neighboring NH proton as a triplet at 6.96 ppm indicating magnetic equivalency of protons in both halves of the molecule.

The newly synthesized compounds were tested for antiproliferative activity *in vitro*. Compounds 7-21 were inactive.

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In conclusion, nitrosation of (pyrimidinyl)acetohydrazides is convenient and simple method for the synthesis of (pyrimidin-4-yloxy)- and (pyrimidin-3-yl)acetyl azides. Both of azides are suitable synthons for the new carbamate and urea synthesis.

# **Experimental Section**

**General.** Melting points were determined in open capillaries and are uncorrected. NMR spectra were recorded on a Unity Varian INOVA spectrometer at 300 MHz for  $^{1}$ H and 75 MHz for  $^{13}$ C. Chemical shifts ( $\delta$ ) are reported in ppm relative to TMS. The IR spectra were recorded on a Spectrum BX FT-IR (Perkin-Elmer, Sweden) as potassium bromide pellets. The reactions and purity of compounds was controlled by tlc on Silica gel 60 F<sub>254</sub> plates (MERCK, Germany). Elemental analyses were performed at the Microanalytical Laboratory of the Department of Organic Chemistry of Vilnius University. All solvents were dried and distilled before use. (6-Methyl-2-methylthiopyrimidin-4-yloxy)acetohydrazide **2** and (6-methyl-2,4-dioxo-1,2-dihydropyrimidin-3(4*H*)-yl)acetohydrazide **3** were synthesized as reported in references  $^{27,28}$ .

## General procedure for the synthesis of acetyl azides (5) and (6)

To a cooled to 0-5 °C temperature suspension of hydrazide 2 or 3 (5 mmol), water (15 mL) and conc. hydrochloric acid (4 mL), a solution of sodium nitrite (1.73 g, 25 mmol) in water (10 mL) was added dropwise under stirring. The reaction mixture was stirred at this temperature for 1 h, the precipitate was collected by filtration (for compound 5 the reaction mixture was neutralized with sodium hydrogen carbonate before filtration), washed with cold water and dried over sodium sulphate in vacuum.

**(6-Methyl-2-methylthiopyrimidin-4-yloxy)acetyl azide** (**3**). Yield 0.88 g (74%), mp 56-58 °C; IR, ν, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1706 (C=O), 2158 (N<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>), δ, ppm: 2.42 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.51 (s, 3H, SCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.93 (s, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 6.40 (s, 1H, CH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>), δ, ppm: 14.2, 24.1, 64.5, 102.1, 168.0, 169.0, 171.6, 175.8. Anal. Calcd. for  $C_8H_9N_5O_2S$ : C, 40.16; H, 3.79; N, 29.27. Found: C, 40.52; H, 3.79; N, 29.43.

**(6-Methyl-2,4-dioxo-1,2-dihydropyrimidin-3(4***H***)-yl)acetyl azide (6)**. Yield 0.74 g (71%), mp 135-137 °C (ref.<sup>26</sup> mp 135-137 °C); IR, ν, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1634, 1716, 1741 (C=O), 2150 (N<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ), δ, ppm: 2.09 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.57 (s, 2H, NCH<sub>2</sub>), 5.56 (s, 1H, CH), 11.40 (s, 1H, NH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ), δ, ppm: 18.9, 43.5, 98.5, 151.7, 153.1, 162.8, 176.3. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>7</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 40.20; H, 3.37; N, 33.48. Found: C, 40.53; H, 3.57; N, 33.62.

#### General procedure for the synthesis of carbamates (7-9) and (12-14)

To a solution of azide 5 (0.24 g, 1 mmol) in dry benzene (3 mL) or azide 6 (0.21 g, 1 mmol) in dry dioxane (3 mL) the corresponding phenol (1 mmol) was added. The reaction mixture was heated at reflux for 5 h, then the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was

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worked up with diethyl ether to give a solid, which was collected by filtration and crystallized from the appropriate solvent.

**Phenyl** (6-methyl-2-methylthiopyrimidin-4-yloxy)methylcarbamate (7). Yield 0.18 g (59%), mp 134-135 °C (2-propanol); IR, v, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1744 (C=O), 3229 (NH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>), δ, ppm: 2.27 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.59 (s, 3H, SCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.50 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 6.10 (s, 1H, CH) 6.53 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H, NH), 7.15 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.18-7.26 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.34-7.40 (m, 2H, ArH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>), δ, ppm: 15.5, 24.1, 52.1, 108.0, 121.8, 125.9, 129.6, 150.9, 154.4, 161.5, 163.5, 163.9. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S: C, 55.07; H, 4.95; N, 13.76. Found: C, 55.40; H, 5.09; N, 13.92.

- **4-Chlorophenyl** (6-methyl-2-methylthiopyrimidin-4-yloxy)methylcarbamate (8). Yield 0.16 g (48%), mp 141-142 °C (2-propanol); IR, v, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1737 (C=O), 3191 (NH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>), δ, ppm: 2.27 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.59 (s, 3H, SCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.50 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 6.10 (s, 1H, CH) 6.56 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.10 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.33 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, ArH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>), δ, ppm: 15.5, 24.1, 52.1, 108.0, 123.1, 129.6, 131.2, 149.4, 154.0, 163.5, 164.0. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>14</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S: C, 49.49; H, 4.15; N, 12.37. Found: C, 49.21; H, 3.96; N, 12.21.
- **4-Fluorophenyl** (6-methyl-2-methylthiopyrimidin-4-yloxy)methylcarbamate (9). Yield 0.14 g (43%), mp 148-149 °C (2-propanol); IR, v, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1737 (C=O), 3234 (NH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>),  $\delta$ , ppm: 2.27 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.59 (s, 3H, SCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.51 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 6.10 (s, 1H, CH) 6.53 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H, NH), 7.0-7.17 (m, 4H, ArH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>),  $\delta$ , ppm: 15.5, 24.1, 52.1, 108.0, 116.0, 116.3, 123.2, 123.3, 146.8, 154.3, 158.8, 161.4, 162.0, 163.5, 163.9. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>14</sub>FN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S: C, 52.00; H, 4.36; N, 13.00. Found: C, 52.33; H, 4.37; N, 13.21.

Phenyl (6-methyl-2,4-dioxo-1,2-dihydropyrimidin-3(4*H*)-yl)methylcarbamate (12). Yield 0.2 g (74%), mp 178-179 °C (ethanol); IR, v, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1646, 1721 (C=O), 3268 (NH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ), δ, ppm: 2.06 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 5.18 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 2H, NCH<sub>2</sub>), 5.51 (s, 1H, CH) 7.10 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.19-7.25 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.36-7.42 (m, 2H, ArH), 8.17 (br s, 1H, NH), 11.18 (s, 1H, NH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ), δ, ppm: 18.8, 46.8, 99.0, 122.5, 125.8, 130.0, 151.6, 151.8, 152.7, 154.4, 163.0. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>13</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C, 56.72; H, 4.76; N, 15.27. Found: C, 56.43; H, 4.93; N, 15.46.

- **4-Chlorophenyl** (6-methyl-2,4-dioxo-1,2-dihydropyrimidin-3(4*H*)-yl)methylcarbamate (13). Yield 0.195 g (63%), mp 210-211 °C (ethanol); IR, ν, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1638, 1725, 1741 (C=O), 3095, 3321 (NH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ), δ, ppm: 2.06 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 5.18 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 2H, NCH<sub>2</sub>), 5.51 (s, 1H, CH) 7.15 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.44 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.25 (br s, 1H, NH), 11.18 (br s, 1H, NH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ), δ, ppm: 18.8, 46.8, 99.0, 124.4, 129.9, 141.6, 150.4, 151.8, 152.7, 154.1, 163.0. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>12</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C, 50.42; H, 3.91; N, 13.57. Found: C, 50.68; H, 4.27; N, 13.73.
- **4-Fluorophenyl** (6-methyl-2,4-dioxo-1,2-dihydropyrimidin-3(4*H*)-yl)methylcarbamate (14). Yield 0.205 g (70%), mp 197-198 °C (ethanol); IR, v, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1638, 1736, 1749 (C=O), 3086, 3271, 3442 (NH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 2.06 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 5.18 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 2H, NCH<sub>2</sub>), 5.51 (s, 1H, CH) 7.11-7.24 (m, 4H, ArH), 8.21 (br s, 1H, NH), 11.18 (s, 1H, NH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 18.8, 46.8, 99.0, 116.3, 116.6, 124.2, 124.3, 147.7, 151.8, 152.7,

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154.4, 158.3, 161.5, 163.0. Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{13}H_{12}FN_3O_4$ : C, 53.24; H, 4.12; N, 14.33. Found: C, 53.46; H, 4.45; N, 14.52.

*N*-Benzyl-2-(6-methyl-2-methylthiopyrimidin-4-yloxy)acetamide (10). Benzylamine (0.107 g, 1 mmol) was added to a solution of azide **5** (0.24 g, 1 mmol) in dry benzene (5 mL). The reaction mixture was heated at reflux for 1 h, then cooled to room temperature. The resultant precipitate was collected by filtration, washed with methanol and crystallized from ethanol to yield **10**, 0.192 g (63%), mp 98-100 °C; IR, v, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1654 (C=O), 3287 (NH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>), δ, ppm: 2.40 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.54 (s, 3H, SCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.56 (d, J = 6 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.95 (s, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 6.35 (s, 1H, CH) 6.60 (br s, 1H, NH), 7.27-7.42 (m, 5H, ArH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>), δ, ppm: 14.3, 24.1, 43.3, 65.0, 101.9, 128.0, 129.1, 137.9, 167.8, 167.9, 169.0, 172.2. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S: C, 59.38; H, 5.65; N, 13.85. Found: C, 59.63; H, 5.66; N, 13.97.

Methyl (6-methyl-2,4-dioxo-1,2-dihydropyrimidin-3(4*H*)-yl)methylcarbamate (11). The solution of azide 6 (0.21 g, 1 mmol) in abs. methanol (2 mL) was heated at reflux for 5 h and the reaction mixture was evaporated under reduced pressure to dryness. The residue was crystallized from 2-propanol to yield 11, 0.12 g (56 %), mp 189-191 °C; IR, v, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1642, 1734 (C=O), 3092, 3426 (NH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ), δ, ppm: 2.04 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.53 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.09 (d, J = 6 Hz, 2H, NCH<sub>2</sub>), 5.46 (s, 1H, CH), 7.49 (br s, 1H, NH), 11.13 (s, 1H, NH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ), δ, ppm: 18.8, 46.8, 52.2, 99.0, 151.8, 152.6, 156.5, 163.0. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>11</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C, 45.07; H, 5.20; N, 19.71. Found: C, 45.34; H, 5.49; N, 19.59.

## General procedure for the synthesis of ureas (15-20)

To a solution of azide 6 (0.21 g, 1 mmol) in dry dioxane (7 mL) the corresponding aniline (1 mmol) was added. The reaction mixture was heated at reflux for 1 h and cooled to room temperature. The resultant precipitate was collected by filtration, washed with methanol and crystallized from ethanol.

*N*-[(6-Methyl-2,4-dioxo-1,2-dihydropyrimidin-3(4*H*)-yl)methyl]-*N*'-phenylurea (15). Yield 0.24 g (88%), mp 227-229 °C; IR,  $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1644, 1682, 1730 (C=O), 3204, 3263, 3318, 3419 (NH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ), δ, ppm: 2.05 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 5.24 (d, J = 6 Hz, 2H, NCH<sub>2</sub>), 5.51 (s, 1H, CH) 6.78-7.04 (m, 2H, NH, ArH), 7.16-7.32 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.32-7.48 (m, 2H, ArH), 8.75 (s, 1H, NH), 11.21 (s, 1H, NH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ), δ, ppm: 18.8, 45.8, 99.1, 118.3, 122.1, 129.4, 140.8, 151.9, 152.9, 154.7, 163.4. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>14</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 56.93; H, 5.14; N, 20.43. Found: C, 56.61; H, 5.38; N, 20.29.

*N*-[(6-Methyl-2,4-dioxo-1,2-dihydropyrimidin-3(4*H*)-yl)methyl]-*N*'-(2-methylphenyl)urea (16). Yield 0.173 g (60%), mp 194-195 °C; IR, ν, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1648, 1677, 1729 (C=O), 3181, 3318, 3428 (NH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ), δ, ppm: 2.06 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.17 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 5.25 (d, J = 5.4 Hz, 2H, NCH<sub>2</sub>), 5.52 (s, 1H, CH) 6.82-6.95 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.02-7.21 (m, 2H, NH, ArH), 7.30-7.47 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.84 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.94 (s, 1H, NH), 11.20 (s, 1H, NH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ), δ, ppm: 18.6, 18.8, 45.7, 99.0, 121.0, 122.7, 126.7, 127.3 130.7, 138.5, 151.9, 152.8, 154.7, 163.3. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 58.32; H, 5.59; N, 19.43. Found: C, 58.03; H, 5.59; N, 19.27.

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*N*-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-*N*'-[(6-methyl-2,4-dioxo-1,2-dihydropyrimidin-3(4*H*)-yl)methyl]urea (17). Yield 0.21 g (69%), mp 230-231 °C; IR, ν, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1645, 1711, 1740 (C=O), 3104, 3171, 3312 (NH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ), δ, ppm: 2.05 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.52 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.22 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H, NCH<sub>2</sub>), 5.51 (s, 1H, CH) 6.78 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H, NH), 6.83 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.27 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.56 (s, 1H, NH), 11.19 (s, 1H, NH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ), δ, ppm: 18.8, 45.8, 55.8, 99.0, 114.6, 120.0, 133.9, 151.9, 152.2, 152.8, 154.8, 163.4. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C, 55.26; H, 5.30; N, 18.41. Found: C, 55.47; H, 5.53; N, 18.58.

*N*-(4-Fluorophenyl)-*N*'-[(6-methyl-2,4-dioxo-1,2-dihydropyrimidin-3(4*H*)-yl)methyl]urea (18). Yield 0.254g (87%), mp 231-233 °C; IR, v, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1638, 1682, 1732 (C=O), 3202, 3279, 3416 (NH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ), δ, ppm: 2.05 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 5.23 (d, J = 6 Hz, 2H, NCH<sub>2</sub>), 5.51 (s, 1H, CH) 6.87 (t, J = 6 Hz, 1H, NH), 7.02-7.16 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.30-7.47 (m, 2H, ArH), 8.79 (s, 1H, NH), 11.21 (s, 1H, NH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ), δ, ppm: 18.8, 45.8, 99.1, 115.7, 116.1, 119.9, 120.0, 137.1, 137.2, 151.9, 152.9, 154.7, 156.2, 159.3, 163.4. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>13</sub>FN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 53.42; H, 4.48; N, 19.17. Found: C, 53.71; H, 4.79; N, 19.31.

# N-(2,4-Dichlorophenyl)-N'-[(6-methyl-2,4-dioxo-1,2-dihydropyrimidin-3(4H)-

**yl)methyl]urea** (**19**). Yield 0.2 g (59%), mp 223-225 °C; IR, ν, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1648, 1720 (C=O), 3117, 3177, 3339 (NH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ), δ, ppm: 2.05 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 5.24 (d, J = 6 Hz, 2H, NCH<sub>2</sub>), 5.51 (s, 1H, CH) 7.33 (d, J = 9 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.54 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.86 (t, J = 6 Hz, 1H, NH), 8.18 (d, J = 9 Hz, 1H, ArH), 8.45 (s, 1H, NH), 11.21 (s, 1H, NH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ), δ, ppm: 18.8, 45.5, 99.0, 122.6, 122.8, 126.2, 128.1 129.1, 136.4, 151.9, 152.2, 154.4, 163.3. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>12</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 45.50; H, 3.52; N, 16.33. Found: C, 45.55; H, 3.77; N, 16.45.

### N-[(6-Methyl-2,4-dioxo-1,2-dihydropyrimidin-3(4H)-yl)methyl]-N'-[3-

(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]urea (22). Yield 0.23 g (67%), mp 235-237 °C; IR, v, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1643, 1689, 1723 (C=O), 3121, 3166, 3393 (NH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 2.05 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 5.25 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 2H, NCH<sub>2</sub>), 5.52 (s, 1H, CH), 7.01 (t, J = 6.3 Hz, 1H, NH), 7.26 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.38-7.56 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.98 (s, 1H, ArH), 9.13 (s, 1H, NH), 11.23 (s, 1H, NH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ),  $\delta$ , ppm: 18.8, 45.6, 99.1, 114.2, 118.4, 121.9, 123.1 126.7, 130.0, 130.4, 130.6, 141.6, 151.9, 152.9, 154.6, 163.4. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>13</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 49.13; H, 3.83; N, 16.37. Found: C, 49.39; H, 3.90; N, 16.58.

*N,N'*-Bis-[(6-methyl-2,4-dioxo-1,2-dihydropyrimidin-3(4*H*)-yl)methyl]urea (21). Water (0.018 g, 1 mmol) was added to a solution of azide **6** (0.21 g, 1 mmol) in dioxane (7 mL). The reaction mixture was heated at reflux for 4 h and cooled to room temperature. The resultant precipitate was collected by filtration, washed with methanol and crystallized from a mixture of dimethyl sulfoxide-water to yield **21**, 0.2 g (59%), mp 312-314 °C; IR, ν, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1647, 1715 (C=O), 3112, 3187, 3250, 3383 (NH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ), δ, ppm: 2.03 (s, 6H, 2CH<sub>3</sub>), 5.10 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 4H, 2NCH<sub>2</sub>), 5.46 (s, 2H, 2CH) 6.96 (t, J = 6.3 Hz, 2H, 2NH), 11.12 (s, 2H, 2NH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ), δ, ppm: 18.8, 45.9, 99.1, 151.8, 152.7, 156.2, 163.3. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C, 46.43; H, 4.80; N, 24.99. Found: C, 46.30; H, 5.09; N, 25.07.

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