

## **Supporting Information**

### **An Efficient Synthesis of 4,5-Diaryl-3,4-Dihydropyrimidin-2(1*H*)-one via a Cesium Carbonate-Promoted Direct Condensation of 1-Aryl-2-propanone with 1,1'-(Arylmethylene)diurea**

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## **General information**

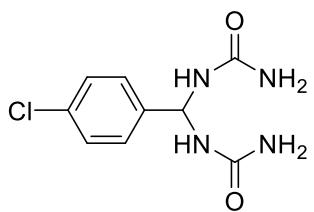
1-Aryl-2-propanone, cesium carbonate, and ethanol were purchased from chemical companies and used directly without further purification (without the need of precautions to exclude air and moisture unless otherwise noted). Starting materials **1a-j** were prepared according to reported methods.<sup>1</sup> Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed using silica gel plate (0.2 mm thickness). Subsequent to elution, plates were visualized using UV radiation (254 nm). Flash chromatography was performed using Merck silica gel (200-300 mesh) for column chromatography with freshly distilled solvents. Columns were typically packed as slurry and equilibrated with the appropriate solvent system prior to use. IR spectra were recorded on a FT-IR spectrophotometer using KBr optics. <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>19</sup>F, and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded in d<sup>6</sup>-DMSO on Jeol 400 MHz spectrometer. Tetramethylsilane (TMS) served as internal standard for <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>19</sup>F, and <sup>13</sup>C NMR analysis.

## **Experimental procedure**

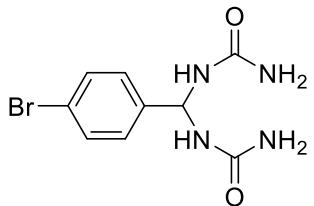
**General procedure for the preparation of 1,1'-(arylmethylene)diurea.**<sup>1</sup> To a 250 mL round-bottomed flask was sequentially added aryl aldehyde (30 mmol), urea (90 mmol), a catalytic amount of *p*-toluenesulfonic acid (3 mmol) and toluene (100 mL). The reaction mixture was refluxed for overnight. After reaction, the precipitate was collected by filtration, washed with saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (10 mL), pure water (20 mL), and Et<sub>2</sub>O (20 mL). It was further dried in oven at 120 °C for half an hour to give the desired product of diurea.

**Typical procedure for the condensation of 1,1'-(arylmethylene)diurea with 1-aryl-2-propanone:** To a mixture of diurea (0.5 mmol) and 1-aryl-2-propanone (0.6 mmol) was added absolute ethanol (3 mL), and it was stirred at room temperature for 5 minutes. Then Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (1 mmol) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred vigorously at 70 °C for 24 h. After the completion of the reaction, solvent was removed under vacuum. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography by using EtOAc/petroleum ether or CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/MeOH as eluant to afford the desired product of 4,5-biaryl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1*H*)-one.

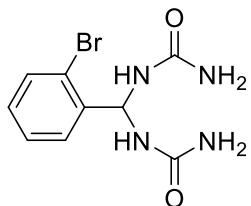
## Characterization data of products



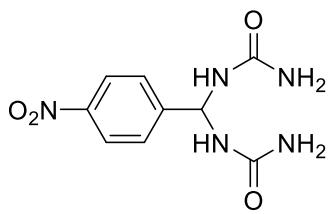
**1,1'-(4-Chlorophenyl)methylene diurea (1a):** 6.6 g. Yield = 91%. White solid. **M.p.:** 190.5-191.2 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 7.40 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 6.08 (t, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 5.72 (s, 4H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 157.8, 141.9, 131.6, 128.1, 128.0, 58.6 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):** ν 3453, 3312, 1667, 1608, 866, 817 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (ESI, m/z):** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, calcd. for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>12</sub>ClN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: 243.0643, found: 243.0643.



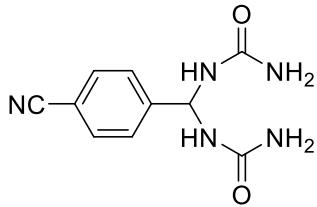
**1,1'-(4-Bromophenyl)methylene diurea (1b):** 4.4 g. Yield = 51%. White solid. **M.p.:** 206.6-207.5 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 7.53 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 6.06 (t, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 5.72 (s, 4H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 158.2, 142.8, 131.4, 128.8, 120.5, 59.1 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):** ν 3453, 3312, 1667, 1608, 866, 813 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (ESI, m/z):** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, calcd. for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>12</sub>BrN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: 287.0138, found: 287.0137.



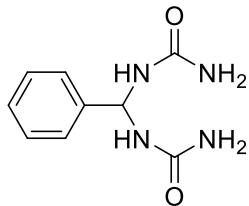
**1,1'-(2-Bromophenyl)methylene diurea (1c):** 6.3 g. Yield = 73%. White solid. **M.p.:** 199.2-199.7 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 7.60 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 6.71 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 6.25 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.63 (s, 4H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 157.4, 141.2, 132.7, 129.4, 128.0, 127.5, 122.4, 59.6 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):** ν 3430, 3331, 1668, 1612, 750, 719 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (ESI, m/z):** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, calcd. for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>12</sub>BrN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: 287.0138, found: 287.0140.



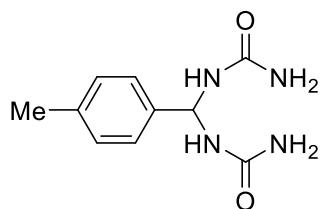
**1,1'-(4-Nitrophenyl)methylene)diurea (1d):** 6.7 g. Yield = 88%. White solid. **M.p.:** 209.8-210.4 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 8.21 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 6.17 (t, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 5.82 (s, 4H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 157.8, 150.8, 146.5, 127.4, 123.4, 58.8 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):** ν 3459, 3312, 1682, 1516, 1351, 856, 835 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (ESI, m/z):** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, calcd. for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: 254.0884, found: 254.0881.



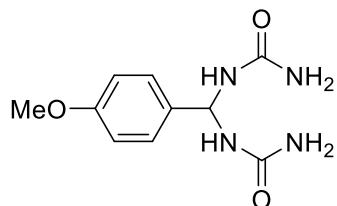
**1,1'-(4-Cyanophenyl)methylene)diurea (1e):** 6.3 g. Yield = 90%. White solid. **M.p.:** 222.6-222.9 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 6.12 (t, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.76 (s, 4H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 158.2, 149.1, 132.6, 127.6, 119.5, 110.1, 59.3 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):** ν 3352, 3300, 2234, 1656, 862, 825 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (ESI, m/z):** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, calcd. for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: 234.0986, found: 234.0987.



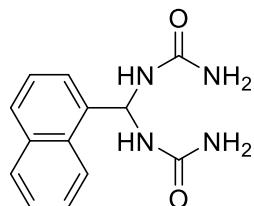
**1,1'-(Phenylmethylene)diurea (1f):** 4.0 g. Yield = 64%. White solid. **M.p.:** 190.6-191.2 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 7.34-7.31 (m, 4H), 7.27-7.23 (m, 1H), 6.72 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 6.12 (t, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 5.68 (s, 4H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 158.2, 143.2, 128.6, 127.6, 126.5, 59.6 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):** ν 3420, 3312, 1667, 1535, 747, 699 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (ESI, m/z):** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, calcd. for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>13</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: 209.1033, found: 209.1033.



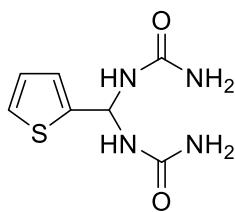
**1,1'-(*p*-Tolylmethylene)diurea (1g):** 3.7 g. Yield = 55%. White solid. **M.p.:** 196.2-196.8 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):** δ 7.20 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.67 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.08 (t, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 5.67 (s, 4H), 2.28 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):** δ 158.2, 140.2, 136.6, 129.1, 126.4, 59.4, 21.2 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):** ν 3458, 3312, 1678, 1532, 864, 814 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (ESI, m/z):** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, calcd. for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: 223.1190, found: 223.1191.



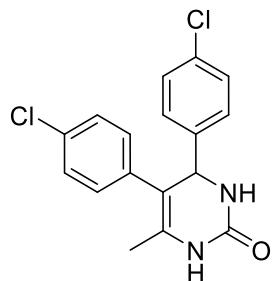
**1,1'-(4-Methoxyphenyl)methylene diurea (1h):** 5.2 g. Yield = 73%. White solid. **M.p.:** 186.6-187.3 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):** δ 7.24 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.70 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.09 (t, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.70 (s, 4H), 3.73 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):** δ 158.9, 158.3, 135.1, 127.7, 114.0, 59.2, 55.6 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):** ν 3428, 3308, 1671, 1515, 1261, 1176, 865, 836 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (ESI, m/z):** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, calcd. for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 239.1139, found: 239.1134.



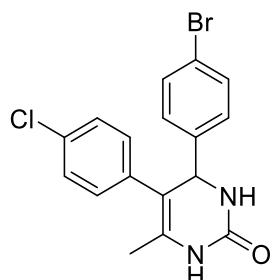
**1,1'-(Naphthalen-1-ylmethylene)diurea (1i):** 6.8 g. Yield = 88%. White solid. **M.p.:** 221.5-222.7 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):** δ 8.02 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.96 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.64-7.47 (m, 4H), 6.91 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 5.66 (s, 4H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):** δ 157.4, 138.1, 133.5, 130.3, 128.6, 128.0, 126.3, 125.8, 125.2, 123.4, 122.6, 56.5 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):** ν 3418, 3297, 1667, 1608, 882, 770 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (ESI, m/z):** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, calcd. for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: 259.1190, found: 259.1189.



**1,1'-(Thiophen-2-ylmethylene)diurea (1j):** 4.2 g. Yield = 65%. White solid. **M.p.:** 197.4-198.9 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 7.41-7.35 (m, 1H), 6.96 (dd, *J* = 5.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 6.91-6.88 (m, 1H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.32 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 5.75 (s, 4H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 157.5, 147.7, 126.8, 124.9, 123.7, 56.2 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):** ν 3467, 3284, 1671, 1589, 1282, 1123 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (ESI, m/z):** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, calcd. for C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>11</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S: 215.0597, found: 215.0602.

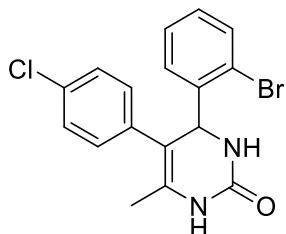


**4,5-bis(4-Chlorophenyl)-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3a):** 124.6 mg. Yield = 75%. Yellow solid. **M.p.:** 214.7-215.8 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 8.50 (s, 1H), 7.38 (s, 1H), 7.35-7.31 (m, 2H), 7.30-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.18-7.14 (m, 2H), 7.11-7.06 (m, 2H), 5.13 (s, 1H), 1.73 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 152.8, 143.0, 136.7, 131.8, 131.2, 130.9, 130.8, 128.7, 128.4, 128.1, 106.8, 58.5, 16.2 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):** ν 3265, 1693, 1491, 1241, 1091, 758 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (ESI, m/z):** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, calcd. for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>15</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O: 333.0556, found: 333.0558.

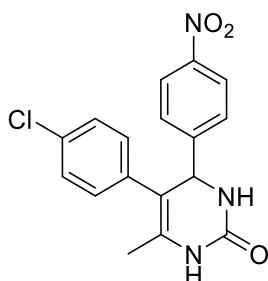


**4-(4-Bromophenyl)-5-(4-chlorophenyl)-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3b):** 161.6 mg. Yield = 86%. Brown solid. **M.p.:** 206.8-208.2°C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 8.51 (s, 1H), 7.46 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (s, 1H), 7.30-7.24 (m, 2H), 7.14-7.05 (m, 4H), 5.12 (s, 1H), 1.73 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 152.8, 143.4, 136.7, 131.3, 131.2, 130.9, 130.8, 129.1, 128.1, 120.4, 106.7, 58.6,

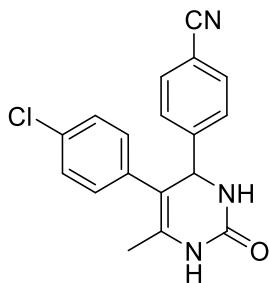
16.2 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):**  $\nu$  3268, 1693, 1489, 1241, 757  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . **HRMS (ESI, m/z):**  $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ , calcd. for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{BrClN}_2\text{O}$ : 377.0051, found: 377.0051.



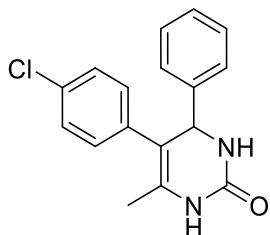
**4-(2-Bromophenyl)-5-(4-chlorophenyl)-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3c):** 126.8 mg. Yield = 67%. Yellow solid. **M.p.:** 189.8–191.3 °C.  **$^1\text{H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-}d_6)$ :**  $\delta$  8.56 (s, 1H), 7.49 (d,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.40–7.33 (m, 2H), 7.24 (d,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (d,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 5.58 (s, 1H), 1.69 (s, 3H) ppm.  **$^{13}\text{C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-}d_6)$ :**  $\delta$  152.5, 142.6, 136.2, 132.6, 131.3, 131.1, 131.0, 129.9, 129.5, 128.5, 128.1, 121.9, 106.3, 58.6, 16.1 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):**  $\nu$  3220, 1694, 1493, 1253, 1095, 737  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . **HRMS (ESI, m/z):**  $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ , calcd. for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{BrClN}_2\text{O}$ : 377.0051, found: 377.0050.



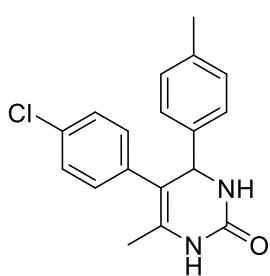
**5-(4-Chlorophenyl)-6-methyl-4-(4-nitrophenyl)-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3d):** 88.8 mg. Yield = 50%. Brown solid. **M.p.:** 200.2–201.7 °C.  **$^1\text{H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-}d_6)$ :**  $\delta$  8.51 (s, 1H), 7.44–7.37 (m, 3H), 7.35–7.30 (m, 2H), 7.16 (d,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.02 (d,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 5.13 (s, 1H), 1.73 (s, 3H) ppm.  **$^{13}\text{C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-}d_6)$ :**  $\delta$  152.8, 148.5, 136.6, 131.1, 131.0, 130.8, 128.1, 126.6, 125.3, 124.4, 107.4, 54.2, 16.3 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):**  $\nu$  2926, 1721, 1491, 1262, 1093, 1014, 831  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . **HRMS (ESI, m/z):**  $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ , calcd. for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{ClN}_3\text{O}_3$ : 344.0796, found: 344.0799.



**4-(5-(4-Chlorophenyl)-6-methyl-2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyrimidin-4-yl)benzonitrile (3e):** 80.3 mg. Yield = 50%. Yellow solid. **M.p.:** 249.3-250.6 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 8.57 (s, 1H), 7.78-7.72 (m, 2H), 7.47 (s, 1H), 7.33-7.30 (m, 2H), 7.30-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.11-7.06 (m, 2H), 5.24 (s, 1H), 1.73 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 152.7, 149.3, 136.4, 132.6, 131.3, 131.2, 130.9, 128.2, 127.8, 118.8, 110.1, 106.2, 58.8, 16.2 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):** ν 3397, 2226, 1679, 1475, 1242, 759 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (ESI, m/z):** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, calcd. for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>15</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>O: 324.0898, found: 324.0904.

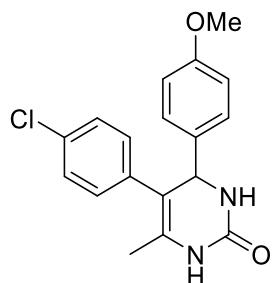


**5-(4-Chlorophenyl)-6-methyl-4-phenyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3f):** 97.4 mg. Yield = 65%. Light yellow solid. **M.p.:** 179.6-180.1 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 8.45 (s, 1H), 7.34 (s, 1H), 7.29-7.23 (m, 4H), 7.22-7.18 (m, 1H), 7.16 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.10-7.05 (m, 2H), 5.08 (s, 1H), 1.74 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 153.0, 144.0, 137.0, 131.1, 130.7, 130.7, 128.5, 128.1, 127.3, 126.8, 107.1, 59.2, 16.3 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):** ν 3055, 1690, 1493, 1014, 744, 698 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (ESI, m/z):** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, calcd. for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>16</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>O: 299.0946, found: 299.0947.

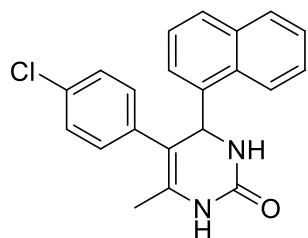


**5-(4-Chlorophenyl)-6-methyl-4-(p-tolyl)-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3g):** 118.2 mg. Yield = 76%. Light yellow solid. **M.p.:** 215.6-216.8 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 8.44 (s, 1H), 7.30-7.24 (m, 3H), 7.10-7.03 (m, 6H), 5.04 (s, 1H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 1.74 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 152.9, 141.1, 137.1, 136.4,

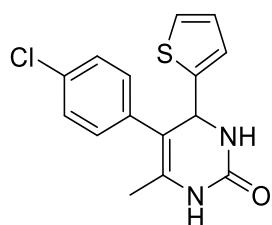
131.1, 130.6, 130.5, 129.0, 128.1, 126.8, 107.2, 58.9, 20.7, 16.3 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):**  $\nu$  3271, 1694, 1491, 1241, 832,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . **HRMS (ESI, m/z):** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, calcd. for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>18</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>O: 313.1102, found: 313.1102.



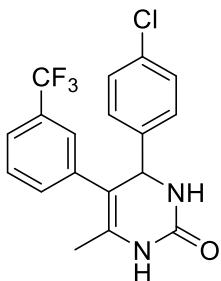
**5-(4-Chlorophenyl)-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3h):** 120.0 mg. Yield = 73%. Yellow solid. M.p.: 161.8-163.2 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):**  $\delta$  8.42 (s, 1H), 7.29-7.24 (m, 3H), 7.10-7.06 (m, 4H), 6.85-6.80 (m, 2H), 5.02 (s, 1H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 1.74 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):**  $\delta$  158.5, 152.9, 137.1, 136.2, 131.1, 130.6, 130.5, 128.1, 128.0, 113.8, 107.3, 58.6, 55.0, 16.3 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):**  $\nu$  3238, 1679, 1510, 1248, 1174, 834  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . **HRMS (ESI, m/z):** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, calcd. for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>18</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: 329.1051, found: 329.1054.



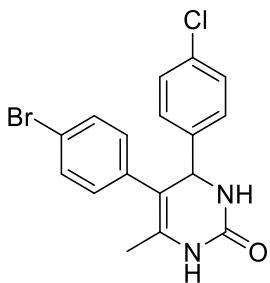
**5-(4-Chlorophenyl)-6-methyl-4-(naphthalen-1-yl)-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-one (3i):** 112.3 mg. Yield = 64%. Light yellow solid. M.p.: 250.4-251.6 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):**  $\delta$  8.58 (s, 1H), 8.29-8.19 (m, 1H), 7.92-7.86 (m, 1H), 7.82-7.75 (m, 1H), 7.53-7.40 (m, 4H), 7.36 (s, 1H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.99 (s, 1H), 1.81 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):**  $\delta$  152.7, 148.0, 144.0, 138.7, 136.9, 133.7, 131.1, 131.0, 130.6, 130.4, 128.6, 128.1, 127.9, 126.0, 125.9, 125.6, 123.6, 106.8, 16.3 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):**  $\nu$  3230, 1703, 1493, 1253, 776  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . **HRMS (ESI, m/z):** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, calcd. for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>18</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>O: 349.1102, found: 349.1103.



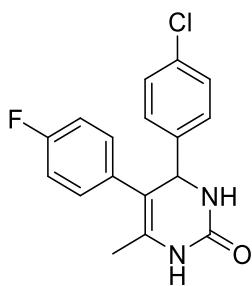
**5-(4-Chlorophenyl)-6-methyl-4-(thiophen-2-yl)-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1*H*)-one (3j):** 128.8 mg. Yield = 85%. Light yellow solid. **M.p.:** 193.2-194.4 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):** δ 8.63 (s, 1H), 7.55 (s, 1H), 7.35 (dd, *J* = 5.0, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.33-7.28 (m, 2H), 7.21-7.14 (m, 2H), 6.87 (dd, *J* = 5.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 6.82-6.77 (m, 1H), 5.39 (s, 1H), 1.76 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):** δ 152.9, 148.5, 136.6, 131.1, 131.1, 130.8, 128.1, 126.6, 125.3, 124.4, 107.5, 54.2, 16.3 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):** ν 3244, 1686, 1490, 1389, 1247, 1091, 839, 698 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (ESI, m/z):** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, calcd. for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>14</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>OS: 305.0510, found: 305.0509.



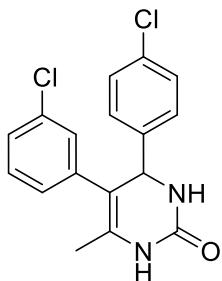
**4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-6-methyl-5-(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-one (4b):** 132.6 mg. Yield = 72%. Yellow solid. **M.p.:** 109.8-110.4 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):** δ 8.60 (s, 1H), 7.51-7.42 (m, 3H), 7.40-7.31 (m, 4H), 7.23 – 7.14 (m, 2H), 5.22 (s, 1H), 1.74 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):** δ 152.7, 142.9, 139.0, 133.6, 131.9, 131.7, 129.2, 129.0 (q, *J* = 31.3 Hz), 128.8, 128.5, 125.7 (q, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 124.2 (q, *J* = 271.0 Hz), 123.0 (q, *J* = 4.1 Hz), 106.6, 58.4, 16.2 ppm. **<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-*D*<sub>6</sub>):** δ -60.98 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):** ν 3238, 1683, 1490, 1339, 1126, 804, 704 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (ESI, m/z):** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, calcd. for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>15</sub>ClF<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O: 367.0820, found: 367.0822.



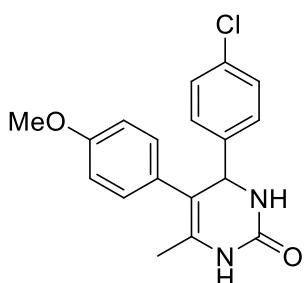
**5-(4-Bromophenyl)-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1*H*)-one (4c):** 149.6 mg. Yield = 79%. Light yellow solid. **M.p.:** 209.5-209.8 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):** δ 8.51 (s, 1H), 7.42-7.37 (m, 3H), 7.35-7.30 (m, 2H), 7.18-7.14 (m, 2H), 7.04-7.00 (m, 2H), 5.12 (s, 1H), 1.73 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):** δ 152.8, 143.0, 137.1, 131.8, 131.5, 131.0, 130.9, 128.7, 128.4, 119.3, 106.8, 58.4, 16.2 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):** ν 3269, 1692, 1490, 1240, 1099, 844, 778 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (ESI, m/z):** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, calcd. for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>15</sub>BrClN<sub>2</sub>O: 377.0051, found: 377.0050.



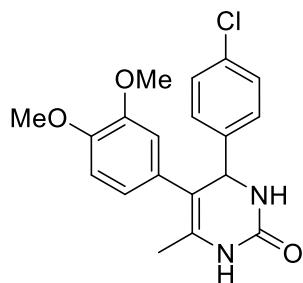
**4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-5-(4-fluorophenyl)-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1*H*)-one (4d):** 139.5 mg. Yield = 88%. Yellow solid. **M.p.:** 189.0-190.2 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):** δ 8.46 (s, 1H), 7.35 (s, 1H), 7.34-7.31 (m, 2H), 7.18-7.14 (m, 2H), 7.11-7.02 (m, 4H), 5.10 (s, 1H), 1.71 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):** δ 160.6 (d, *J* = 241.7 Hz), 152.8, 143.0, 134.1 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz), 131.7, 131.3 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 130.4, 128.7, 128.4, 115.0 (d, *J* = 21.1 Hz), 107.0, 58.8, 16.2 ppm. **<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):** δ -115.91 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):** ν 3259, 1694, 1491, 1242, 1094, 1014, 845, 780 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (ESI, m/z):** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, calcd. for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>15</sub>ClFN<sub>2</sub>O: 317.0851, found: 317.0851.



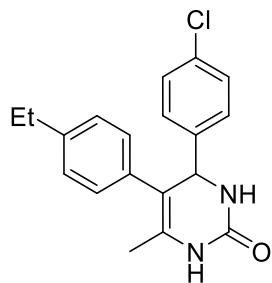
**5-(3-Chlorophenyl)-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1*H*)-one (4e):** 155.9 mg. Yield = 94%. Yellow solid. **M.p.:** 93.8-95.3 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):** δ 8.59 (s, 1H), 7.45 (s, 1H), 7.32-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.22-7.15 (m, 4H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 7.04-6.98 (m, 1H), 5.17 (s, 1H), 1.75 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):** δ 153.1, 142.9, 140.2, 133.0, 132.1, 131.5, 130.1, 129.1, 128.9, 128.6, 128.3, 126.4, 107.0, 58.6, 16.4 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):** ν 3236, 1682, 1489, 1239, 1091, 785 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (ESI, m/z):** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, calcd. for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>15</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O: 333.0556, found: 333.0556.



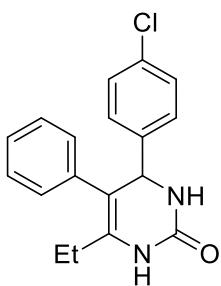
**4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1*H*)-one (**4f**):** 140.5 mg. Yield = 85%. Yellow solid. **M.p.:** 184.6-186.2 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):** δ 8.42 (s, 1H), 7.35-7.29 (m, 3H), 7.19-7.14 (m, 2H), 6.99-6.94 (m, 2H), 6.82-6.76 (m, 2H), 5.07 (s, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 1.71 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):** δ 157.6, 153.1, 143.3, 131.7, 130.5, 129.8, 129.6, 128.7, 128.3, 113.6, 107.7, 58.9, 54.9, 16.2 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):** ν 3259, 2924, 1693, 1489, 1249, 842 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (ESI, m/z):** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, calcd. for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>18</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: 329.1051, found: 329.1051.



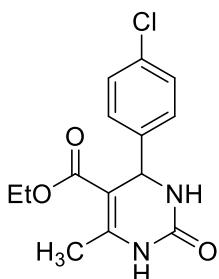
**4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-5-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1*H*)-one (**4g**):** 160.4 mg. Yield = 89%. Yellow solid. **M.p.:** 151.6-152.7 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):** δ 8.36 (s, 1H), 7.34-7.29 (m, 3H), 7.19-7.15 (m, 2H), 6.78 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.63 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.50 (dd, J = 8.2, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 5.10 (s, 1H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 1.73 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):** δ 153.0, 148.2, 147.2, 143.4, 131.6, 130.2, 129.6, 128.8, 128.3, 121.9, 113.0, 111.4, 108.0, 58.9, 55.4, 55.3, 16.3 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):** ν 3343, 1698, 1515, 1457, 1251, 1135, 1011, 766 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (ESI, m/z):** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>20</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 359.1157, found: 359.1159.



**4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-5-(4-ethylphenyl)-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1*H*)-one (**4h**):** 146.5 mg. Yield = 90%. Yellow solid. **M.p.:** 229.8-231.2 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):** δ 8.40 (s, 1H), 7.35-7.29 (m, 3H), 7.19-7.14 (m, 2H), 7.06 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 6.97 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 5.07 (s, 1H), 2.52 (q, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.73 (s, 3H), 1.12 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):** δ 153.0, 143.2, 141.6, 135.1, 131.7, 130.1, 129.2, 128.8, 128.4, 127.5, 107.8, 58.7, 27.7, 16.3, 15.3 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):** ν 3223, 2928, 1686, 1241, 1088, 842 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (ESI, m/z):** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>20</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>O: 327.1259, found: 327.1260.



**4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-6-ethyl-5-phenyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1H)-one (4i):** 101.8 mg. Yield = 65%. Yellow solid. **M.p.:** 184.8–185.7 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 8.41 (s, 1H), 7.34–7.30 (m, 3H), 7.23 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.17–7.12 (m, 3H), 7.03–6.98 (m, 2H), 5.05 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 2.04–1.94 (m, 2H), 1.03 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 153.2, 143.1, 137.9, 135.5, 131.7, 129.3, 128.7, 128.4, 128.2, 126.5, 107.7, 59.0, 22.7, 13.0 ppm. **FTIR (KBr, neat):** ν 3235, 1679, 1489, 1227, 1091, 1014, 765, 701 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (ESI, m/z):** [M+H]<sup>+</sup>, calcd. for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>18</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>O: 313.1102, found: 313.1102.



**Ethyl 4-(4-chlorophenyl)-6-methyl-2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyrimidine-5-carboxylate (4j).**<sup>2</sup> 38.2 mg. Yield = 26%. White solid. **M.p.:** 212.3–213.6 °C. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 9.25 (s, 1H), 7.78 (s, 1H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.14 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 3.98 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 2.24 (s, 3H), 1.09 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):** δ 165.3, 152.0, 148.8, 143.8, 131.8, 128.5, 128.3, 98.9, 59.3, 53.5, 17.9, 14.1 ppm. The characterization data of this product is in accordance with the reported ones.<sup>2</sup>

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**<sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C, and <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra of products**

