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One-flask synthesis of pyrazolone thioethers involving catalyzed and uncatalyzed thioetherification pathways of pyrazolones

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Materials and method:

¹H-NMR and ¹³C-NMR spectral analysis were carried out on 300 MHz, 75 MHz instruments where tetramethylsilane (TMS) was used as internal standard. Infrared spectra were recorded in KBr pellets in reflection mode on a FTIR spectrophotometer. High Resolution Mass Spectra were obtained using a mass spectrometer. Elemental analyses were done using an autoanalyzer. Suitable single crystals of compound **2s** and **3a** were mounted on a X-ray diffractometer equipped with a graphite monochromator. All the reactions were monitored by thin layer chromatography carried out on aluminum-blocked silica gel plates coated with silica gel G under UV light and also by exposure to iodine vapor for detection. Melting points were recorded on a K f ler Block apparatus and are uncorrected. Synthetic grade chemicals from available companies were used for carrying out the organic reactions. For column chromatography 100-200 mesh silica gel was used. All the organic solvents, used in the reaction, were appropriately dried and distilled prior to use.

General Procedure for the Synthesis of Pyrazolone Derivatives:

Sodium acetate (328 mg, 4.0 mmol) was added in a suspension of aromatic hydrazine hydrochloride derivatives (4.0 mmol) in 5 ml of EtOH and 1 ml of water, and the mixture was stirred at rt for 5 min. Then, to the mixture ethyl acetoacetate (521 mg, 4.0 mmol) was added, and the resultant mixture was heated to reflux for 3 h. After that, the mixture was poured dropwise onto crushed ice (50 g) with vigorous stirring, and the resulting precipitate was then filtered off and crystallized from EtOH. These pyrazolone derivatives were then employed for the synthesis of pyrazolonethioethers without further purification.

General Procedure for the Palladium Catalyzed Synthesis of Pyrazolone thioethers (2a-s):

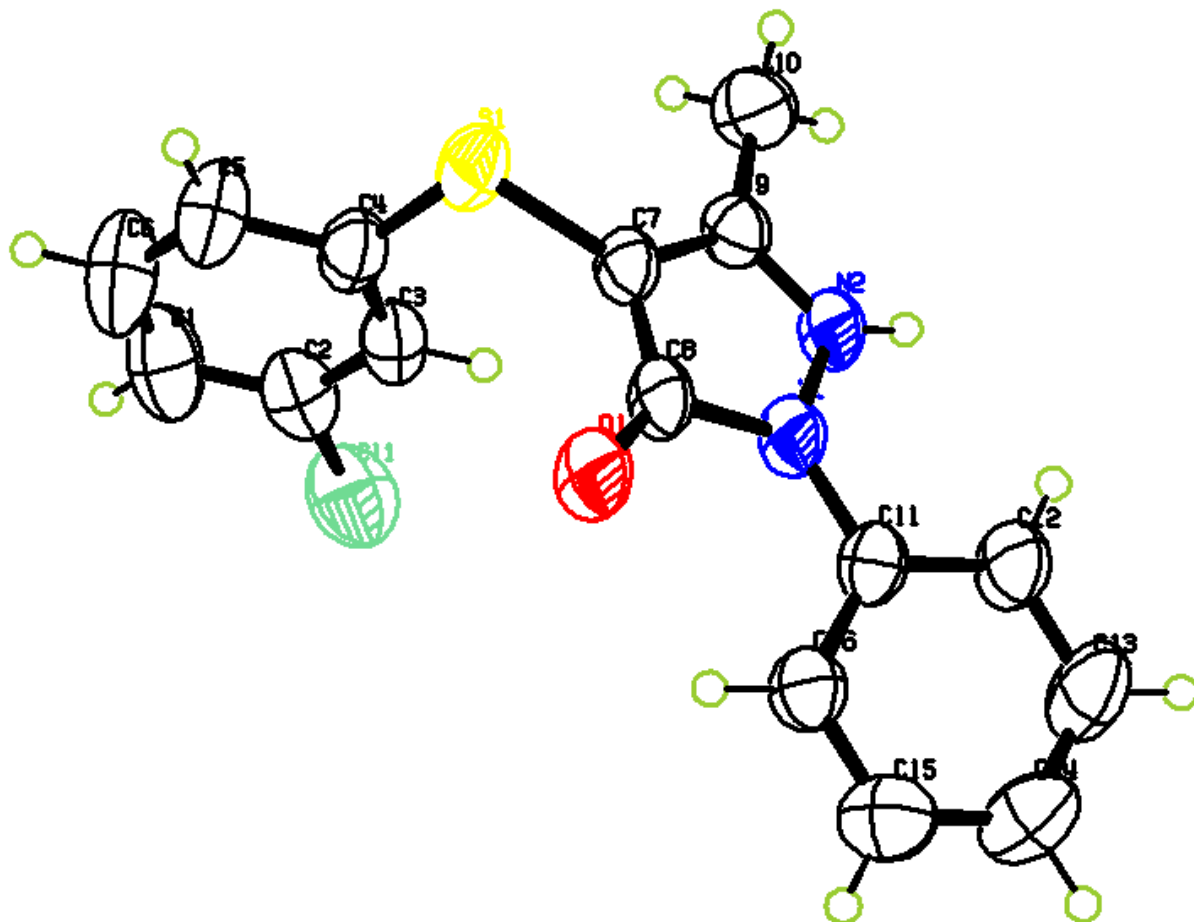
In a 25 ml double neck RB flask fitted with a rubber septum and condenser, were added pyrazolone derivatives (1.5 mmol), elemental sulfur (1.3 equiv, 62 mg), triethylamine (1 drop) and 2 ml ethanol. The resulting mixture was then heated to reflux for 40 min. After that the volatiles were removed under vacuo followed by the addition of Cs_2CO_3 (1.2 equiv, 391 mg). The reaction vial was then evacuated and backfilled with argon (3 times) and 1.0 mmol of iodobenzene derivatives, a solution of $\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2$ (2 mol%, 4 mg) and Xantphos (2 mol%, 12 mg) in 1 ml DMSO and additional 1 ml of DMSO were added to the reaction vial through a syringe. Solid iodobenzene derivatives were taken into the reaction vial prior to evacuation and backfilling with argon. The resulting mixture was then stirred at 130 °C in a preheated oil bath for 2.5 h. After completion of the reaction (monitored by TLC) the mixture was cooled to rt and quenched by addition of H_2O followed by the extraction with EtOAc (3×10 ml). The combined organic layers were washed with brine and dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 . The solvent was then removed in vacuo and the residue was purified by column chromatography over silica gel (100-200 mesh) with ethyl acetate and petroleum ether (1:4–3:2, v/v) as the eluent to afford the pyrazolone thioethers.

General Procedure for the Synthesis of Pyrazolone thioethers (3a-f) from 2,3-dichloropyrazine:

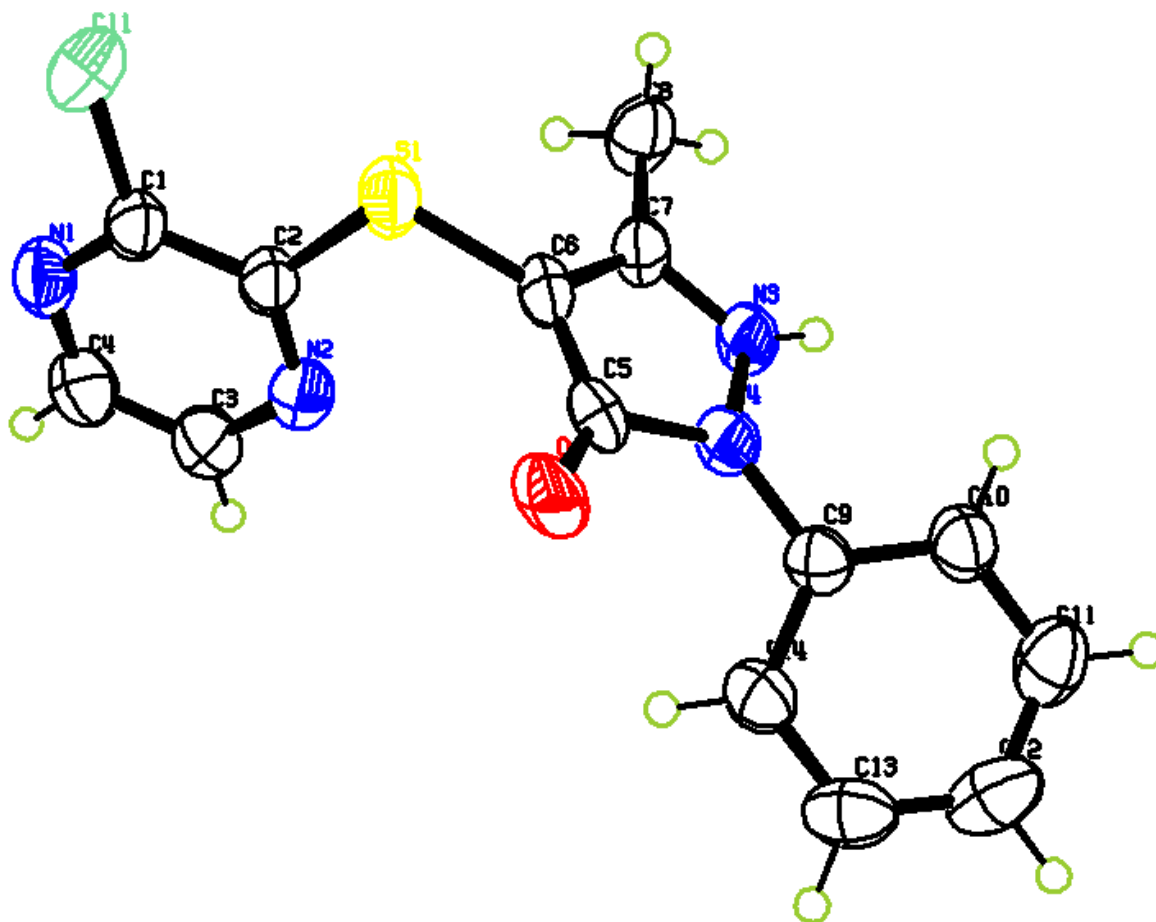
In a 25 ml RB flask fitted with a condenser, were added pyrazolone derivatives (1.5 mmol), elemental sulfur (1.3 equiv, 62 mg), triethylamine (1 drop) and 2 ml ethanol. The resulting mixture was then heated to reflux for 40 min. After that the volatiles were removed under vacuo followed by the addition of 2,3-dichloropyrazine (1.0 mmol, 149 mg), Cs_2CO_3 (1.2 equiv, 391 mg) and DMSO (2 ml). The resulting mixture was then stirred at 80 °C for 20 min. After completion of the reaction (monitored by TLC) the mixture was cooled to rt and quenched by

addition of H₂O followed by the extraction with EtOAc (3 × 10 ml). The combined organic layers were washed with brine and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. The solvent was then removed in vacuo and the residue was purified by column chromatography over silica gel (100-200 mesh) with ethyl acetate and petroleum ether (1:4–3:2, v/v) as the eluent to afford the pyrazolone thioethers.

II. X-ray Crystallography Data of Compound 2s (CCDC 1557690) and 3a (CCDC 1557692):



The X-ray structure of **2s**. The ellipsoid contour percent probability level is 50%.



The X-ray structure of **3a**. The ellipsoid contour percent probability level is 50%.

Single crystal X-ray data for compound **2s** (CCDC 1557690) and **3a** (CCDC 1557692):

Single crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction of **2s** and **3a** were grown from ethyl acetate. The crystals were carefully chosen using a stereo zoom microscope supported by a rotatable polarizing stage. In all the cases the data were collected at 296(2) K on a CCD diffractometer with graphite monochromated Mo-K α radiation (0.71073 Å). The data were processed using the package SAINT.¹ Structures were solved by direct and Fourier methods and refined by full-matrix least squares based on F² using SHELXTL² and SHELXL-97³ packages.

Table S1. Crystallographic data for the compound **2s** and **3a**

Compounds	2s	3a
empirical formula	C ₁₆ H ₁₃ Cl N ₂ O S	C ₁₄ H ₁₁ Cl N ₄ O S
fw	316.79	320.79
crystal system	Monoclinic	Monoclinic
space group	<i>C</i> 2/ <i>c</i>	<i>P</i> 21/ <i>c</i>
<i>a</i> (Å)	42.263(6)	9.676(5)
<i>b</i> (Å)	5.9743(8)	12.483(6)
<i>c</i> (Å)	11.7282(16)	11.857(6)
α (°)	90.00	90.00
β (°)	91.856(5)	98.414(16)
γ (°)	90.00	90.00
<i>V</i> (Å ³)	2959.7(7)	1416.7(12)
<i>Z</i>	8	4
<i>T</i> , K	296(2)	296(2)
Wavelength (Å)	0.71073	0.71073
2θ (°)	1.92–51.82	4.26–51.84
μ (mm ^{−1})	0.398	0.421
ρ_{calcd} (g cm ^{−3})	1.422	1.504
<i>F</i> (000)	1312	664
absorption correction	multi-Scan	multi-Scan
index ranges	− 51 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 51	−10 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 11
	−6 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 7	−15 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 15

	$-14 \leq l \leq 14$	$-13 \leq l \leq 14$
reflections collected	16616	16684
independent reflections (R_{int})	2843 (0.0443)	2740 (0.0638)
Goodness-of-fit on F^2	0.997	0.970
R_1^a/wR_2^b ($I > 2\sigma(I)$)	0.0472/ 0.1303	0.0442/ 0.1182
R_1^a/wR_2^b (for all data)	0.0722/ 0.1479	0.0818/ 0.1393
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.384/ -0.310	0.301/ -0.286

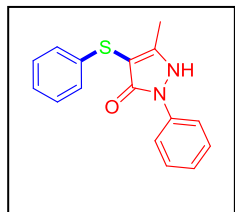
$$^a R_1 = [\sum ||F_o| - |F_c|| / \sum |F_o|]. \quad ^b wR_2 = [\sum w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2 / \sum wF_o^4]^{1/2}$$

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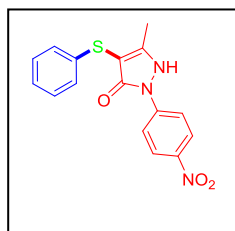
III. Characterization data for the products of Table 2 and 3

5-methyl-2-phenyl-4-(phenylthio)-1,2-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one 2a^{6b}



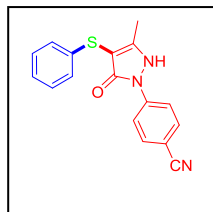
Off-white solid (254 mg, 90%); Mp: 188-190 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz; DMSO d₆; Me₄Si): δ 2.04 (s, 3H), 6.98-7.19 (m, 6H), 7.38 (t, J=7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, J=7.5 Hz, 2H); ¹³C{¹H}NMR (75 MHz; DMSO d₆; Me₄Si): δ 12.6, 87.9, 114.1, 121.0, 125.3, 126.1, 127.5, 129.3, 129.4, 129.44, 129.8, 138.4, 138.7, 152.4, 157.3; IR (KBr): 3340, 2869, 1578, 1489, 1326, 1311, 1208, 1172, 1122, 1018, 822, 740, 690, 591, 540 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z Calcd for [C₁₆H₁₄N₂OS +H]⁺: 283.0900, found: 283.0911.

5-methyl-2-(4-nitrophenyl)-4-(phenylthio)-1,2-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one 2b



Yellow solid (301 mg, 92%); Mp: 210-212 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz; DMSO d₆; Me₄Si): δ 2.04 (s, 3H), 7.16 (s, 3H), 7.32 (d, J=6.3 Hz, 2H), 8.16 (d, J=8.1 Hz, 2H), 8.41 (d, J=8.7 Hz, 2H); ¹³C{¹H}NMR (75 MHz; DMSO d₆; Me₄Si): δ 11.9, 88.3, 118.5, 118.9, 124.4, 124.6, 124.8, 128.2, 128.6, 128.7, 128.9, 129.4, 137.3, 142.6, 142.8, 143.2, 153.9, 158.0; IR (KBr): 3342, 2612, 1623, 1519, 1328, 1185, 1071, 855, 820, 737, 689, 597, 535cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z Calcd for [C₁₆H₁₃N₃O₃S +H]⁺: 328.0750, found: 328.0752.

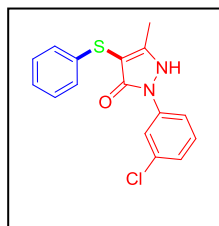
4-(3-methyl-5-oxo-4-(phenylthio)-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazol-1-yl)benzonitrile 2c



Off-white solid (280 mg, 91%); Mp: 202-204 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz; DMSO d₆; Me₄Si): δ 2.12 (s, 3H), 7.05-7.12 (m, 3H), 7.25 (t, J=7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.91 (d, J=7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.99 (d, J=8.7 Hz, 2H); ¹³C{¹H}NMR (75 MHz; DMSO d₆; Me₄Si): δ 12.4, 88.9, 107.4, 118.7, 119.9, 125.1, 129.2, 133.5, 137.9, 141.6, 154.0, 158.2; IR

(KBr): 3330, 2595, 2227, 1628, 1545, 1506, 1398, 1334, 1305, 1181, 1072, 838, 736, 690, 546 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z Calcd for $[\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{13}\text{N}_3\text{OS} + \text{H}]^+$: 308.0852, found: 308.0861.

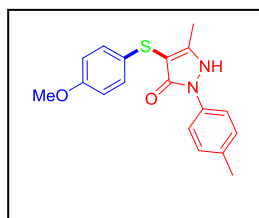
2-(3-chlorophenyl)-5-methyl-4-(phenylthio)-1,2-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one 2d



Off-white solid (285 mg, 90%); Mp: 188-190 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; ^1H NMR (300 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me_4Si): δ 2.50 (s, 3H), 7.44-7.51 (m, 3H), 7.62-7.71 (m, 3H), 7.87 (t, $J=8.1$ Hz, 1H), 8.14 (d, $J=8.1$ Hz, 1H), 8.22 (s, 1H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me_4Si): δ 17.6, 87.3, 123.7, 123.9, 125.1, 130.3, 130.6, 134.4, 136.1,

138.7, 143.4, 144.6, 154.5, 158.2; IR (KBr): 3346, 2579, 1620, 1540, 1493, 1393, 1335, 1194, 1140, 1043, 827, 738, 538, 500 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z Calcd for $[\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{ClN}_2\text{OS} + \text{H}]^+$: 317.0510, found: 317.0516.

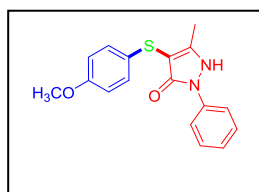
4-((4-methoxyphenyl)thio)-5-methyl-2-(p-tolyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one 2e^{6b}



Light yellow solid (313 mg, 96%); Mp: 180-182 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; ^1H NMR (300 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me_4Si): δ 2.47 (s, 3H), 2.67 (s, 3H), 4.05 (s, 3H), 7.22 (d, $J=8.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.44 (d, $J=8.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.61 (d, $J=8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.95 (d, $J=8.4$ Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me_4Si): δ 12.9, 21.1, 55.7, 85.6, 115.4, 121.3, 128.3,

129.3, 129.9, 132.9, 135.5, 138.1, 148.7, 158.1, 160.2; IR (KBr): 3348, 2698, 1510, 1450, 1396, 1328, 1244, 1135, 1089, 1038, 838, 781, 689, 587, 520 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z Calcd for $[\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S} + \text{H}]^+$: 327.1162, found: 327.1158.

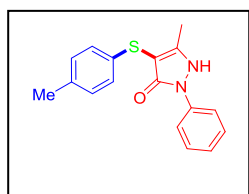
4-((4-methoxyphenyl)thio)-5-methyl-2-phenyl-2,4-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one 2f^{6b}



Off-white solid (294 mg, 94%); Mp: 200-202 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; ^1H NMR (300 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me_4Si): δ 2.49 (s, 3H), 4.05 (s, 3H), 7.23 (d, $J=8.7$ Hz, 2H),

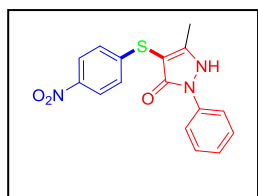
7.44 (d, J=8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (t, J=7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (t, J=7.8 Hz, 2H), 8.08 (d, J=7.8 Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me $_4$ Si): δ 12.9, 55.8, 87.6, 115.4, 121.3, 126.2, 128.3, 129.2, 129.5, 137.2, 137.4, 146.4, 151.5, 158.2; IR (KBr): 3352, 2398, 1519, 1449, 1401, 1331, 1254, 1137, 1090, 1045, 833, 788, 691, 591, 521, 448 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z Calcd for $[\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S} + \text{H}]^+$: 313.1005, found: 313.1002.

5-methyl-2-phenyl-4-(p-tolylthio)-2,4-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one 2g^{6b}



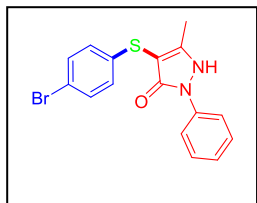
Off-white solid (273 mg, 92%); Mp: 202-204 °C; ^1H NMR (300 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me $_4$ Si): δ 2.12 (s, 3H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 6.99 (d, J=7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.09 (d, J=7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, J=6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (t, J=7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.75 (d, J=7.8 Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me $_4$ Si): δ 12.7, 20.7, 88.0, 121.1, 125.7, 126.0, 129.2, 129.3, 130.0, 134.7, 135.1, 138.5, 152.5, 157.1; IR (KBr): 3347, 2622, 1611, 1396, 1198, 837, 734, 680 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z Calcd for $[\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_2\text{OS} + \text{H}]^+$: 297.1056, found: 297.1052.

5-methyl-4-((4-nitrophenyl)thio)-2-phenyl-2,4-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one 2h



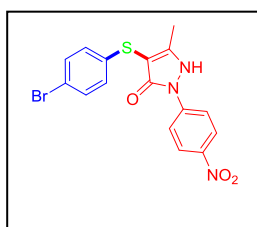
Yellow solid (321 mg, 98%); Mp: 208-210 °C; ^1H NMR (300 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me $_4$ Si): δ 1.99 (s, 3H), 7.21 (d, J=8.7 Hz, 3H), 7.40 (t, J=7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (d, J=7.8 Hz, 2H), 8.05 (d, J=8.7 Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me $_4$ Si): δ 7.5, 80.5, 116.1, 118.8, 119.4, 120.1, 121.2, 124.2, 133.2, 139.9, 144.1, 147.1, 152.3, 158.4; IR (KBr): 3348, 2568, 1618, 1531, 1396, 1340, 1202, 835, 732, 685 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z Calcd for $[\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{N}_3\text{O}_3\text{S} + \text{H}]^+$: 328.0750, found: 328.0748.

4-((4-bromophenyl)thio)-5-methyl-2-phenyl-2,4-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one 2i^{6b}



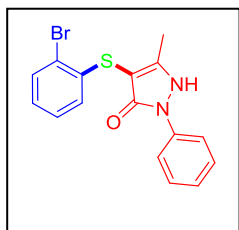
Off-white solid (325 mg, 90%); Mp: 188-190 °C; ^1H NMR (300 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me $_4$ Si): δ 2.10 (s, 3H), 7.00 (d, $J=7.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.26 (t, $J=6.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t, $J=6.9$ Hz, 4H), 7.72 (d, $J=7.5$ Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me $_4$ Si): δ 12.6, 88.2, 118.0, 121.1, 126.2, 127.2, 129.2, 129.3, 132.1, 138.5, 140.3, 152.3, 158.01; IR (KBr): 3335, 2622, 1621, 1600, 1201, 1066, 810, 735, 593, 480 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z Calcd for $[\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{BrN}_2\text{OS} + \text{H}]^+$: 361.0005, found: 361.0011.

4-((4-bromophenyl)thio)-5-methyl-2-(4-nitrophenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one 2j



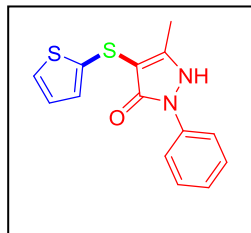
Yellow solid (374 mg, 92%); Mp: 220-222 °C; ^1H NMR (300 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me $_4$ Si): δ 2.06 (s, 3H), 6.96 (d, $J=7.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.36 (d, $J=6.9$ Hz, 2H), 8.00 (d, $J=7.8$ Hz, 2H), 8.25 (d, $J=7.8$ Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me $_4$ Si): δ 12.7, 88.6, 118.2, 119.8, 125.3, 127.4, 132.2, 137.9, 143.4, 144.1, 154.6, 158.9; IR (KBr): 3336, 2603, 1629, 1596, 1512, 1324, 1183, 1074, 807, 736, 593, 479 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z Calcd for $[\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{12}\text{BrN}_3\text{O}_3\text{S} + \text{H}]^+$: 405.9856, found: 405.9851.

4-((2-bromophenyl)thio)-5-methyl-2-phenyl-2,4-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one 2k



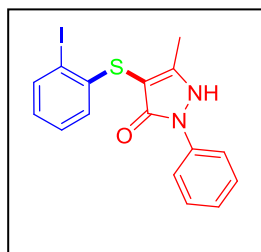
Yellow solid (340 mg, 94%); Mp: 180-182 °C; ^1H NMR (300 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me $_4$ Si): δ 2.11 (s, 3H), 6.75 (d, $J=8.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.07 (t, $J=7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.29 (t, $J=7.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.48 (t, $J=7.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.59 (d, $J=7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, $J=7.8$ Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me $_4$ Si): δ 12.4, 87.2, 118.8, 120.9, 125.3, 125.9, 126.4, 128.3, 128.9, 129.0, 132.8, 138.2, 139.2, 152.0, 156.8; IR (KBr): 3341, 2638, 1589, 1482, 1328, 1312, 1220, 1152, 1115, 1011, 802, 686, 493 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z Calcd for $[\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{BrN}_2\text{OS} + \text{H}]^+$: 361.0005, found: 361.0025.

5-methyl-2-phenyl-4-(thiophen-2-ylthio)-1,2-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one 2l



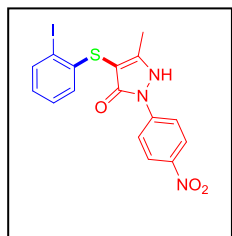
Yellow solid (254 mg, 88%); Mp: 178-180 °C ^1H NMR (300 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me_4Si): δ 2.17 (s, 3H), 6.90 (s, 1H), 7.06 (s, 1H), 7.20 (d, $J=6.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.39 (s, 3H), 7.64 (d, $J=8.1$ Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me_4Si): δ 12.7, 84.7, 121.0, 126.0, 128.1, 128.3, 129.3, 129.4, 131.2, 133.7, 137.7, 138.3, 151.5, 156.6; IR (KBr): 3342, 2923, 2854, 1620, 1545, 1493, 1366, 1294, 1074, 814, 751, 686, 493cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z Calcd for $[\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_2\text{OS}_2 + \text{H}]^+$: 289.0464, found: 289.0461.

4-((2-iodophenyl)thio)-5-methyl-2-phenyl-2,4-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one 2m



Off-white solid (367 mg, 90%); Mp: 180-182 °C; ^1H NMR (300 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me_4Si): δ 2.02 (s, 3H), 6.62 (d, $J=7.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.81 (t, $J=7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.18-7.25 (m, 2H), 7.40 (t, $J=7.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.66-7.73 (m, 3H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me_4Si): δ 12.6, 88.4, 94.7, 121.2, 124.9, 126.2, 126.7, 129.2, 129.3, 132.1, 138.5, 139.5, 142.8, 152.3, 158.5; IR (KBr): 3335, 2622, 1621, 1478, 1202, 1088, 737, 598cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z Calcd for $[\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{IN}_2\text{OS} + \text{H}]^+$: 408.9866, found: 408.9862.

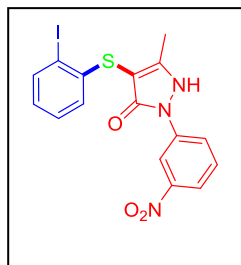
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Yellow solid (417 mg, 92%); Mp: 204-206 °C; ^1H NMR (300 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me_4Si): δ 2.03 (s, 3H), 6.65 (d, $J=8.1$ Hz, 1H), 6.79 (t, $J=7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.20 (t, $J=7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d, $J=7.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.01 (d, $J=9.0$ Hz, 2H), 8.25 (d, $J=9.0$ Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me_4Si): δ 12.7, 89.5, 94.8, 119.8, 125.0, 125.3, 126.8, 129.2, 139.5, 142.3, 143.4, 144.1, 154.6, 158.9; IR (KBr): 3332,

2590, 1622, 1535, 1490, 1350, 1196, 1091, 731, 600 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z Calcd for $[\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{12}\text{IN}_3\text{O}_3\text{S}+\text{H}]^+$: 453.9717, found: 453.9720.

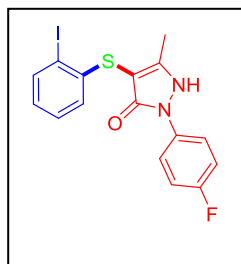
4-((2-iodophenyl)thio)-5-methyl-2-(3-nitrophenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one 2o



Yellow solid (408 mg, 90%); Mp: 190-192 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; ^1H NMR (300 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me_4Si): δ 2.01 (s, 3H), 6.64 (d, $J=7.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.77 (s, 1H), 7.18 (s, 1H), 7.66 (d, $J=7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.99 (d, $J=6.6$ Hz, 1H), 8.17 (d, $J=7.2$ Hz, 1H), 8.54 (s, 1H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me_4Si): δ 12.7, 88.9, 94.7,

114.5, 120.1, 125.0, 126.1, 126.8, 129.2, 130.9, 139.3, 139.5, 142.5, 148.4, 153.7, 158.2; IR (KBr): 3330, 2595, 1624, 1530, 1482, 1348, 1198, 1081, 737, 597 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z Calcd for $[\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{12}\text{IN}_3\text{O}_3\text{S}+\text{H}]^+$: 453.9717, found: 453.9712.

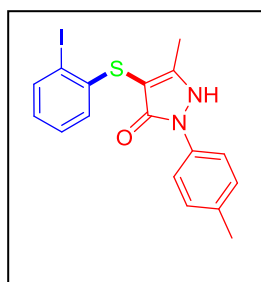
2-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-((2-iodophenyl)thio)-5-methyl-2,4-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one 2p



Off-white solid (401 mg, 94%); Mp: 178-180 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; ^1H NMR (300 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me_4Si): δ 2.03 (s, 3H), 6.65 (d, $J=8.1$ Hz, 1H), 6.82 (t, $J=7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.22-7.29 (m, 3H), 7.70-7.75 (m, 3H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me_4Si): δ 12.6, 88.7, 94.7, 115.9, 116.2, 123.3, 124.9, 126.7, 129.2,

129.9, 134.8, 139.5, 139.6, 142.7, 152.2, 158.6; IR (KBr): 3400, 2482, 1588, 1503, 1400, 1240, 1182, 1030, 822, 738, 600, 520 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z Calcd for $[\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{12}\text{FIN}_2\text{OS}+\text{H}]^+$: 426.9772, found: 426.9768.

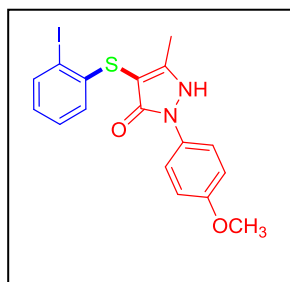
4-((2-iodophenyl)thio)-5-methyl-2-(p-tolyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one 2q



Off-white solid (397 mg, 94%); Mp: 176-178 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; ^1H NMR (300 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me_4Si): δ 2.09 (s, 3H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 6.70 (d, $J=7.8$ Hz, 1H),

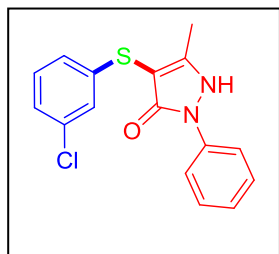
6.88 (t, J=7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (d, J=6.9 Hz, 3H), 7.63 (d, J=8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.79 (d, J=7.8 Hz, 1H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me_4Si): δ 12.4, 20.6, 87.8, 94.4, 121.0, 124.7, 126.4, 128.9, 129.4, 135.3, 135.8, 139.2, 142.6, 151.6, 157.5; IR (KBr): 3345, 2620, 1620, 1486, 1200, 1090, 732, 600cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z Calcd for $[\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{IN}_2\text{OS}+\text{H}]^+$: 423.0023, found: 423.0018.

4-((2-iodophenyl)thio)-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-methyl-2,4-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one 2r



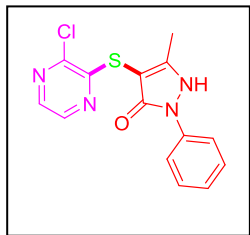
Off-white solid (416 mg, 95%); Mp: 184-186 °C; ^1H NMR (300 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me_4Si): δ 1.99 (s, 3H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 6.60 (d, J=7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (t, J=7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (d, J=8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (t, J=7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (d, J=7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.71 (d, J=7.8 Hz, 1H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me_4Si): δ 12.6, 55.7, 87.6, 94.7, 114.4, 123.3, 124.9, 126.7, 129.1, 131.6, 139.4, 142.9, 151.5, 157.7; IR (KBr): 3340, 2486, 1602, 1509, 1399, 1248, 1174, 1028, 828, 741, 593, 517cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z Calcd for $[\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{IN}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}+\text{H}]^+$: 438.9972, found: 438.9968.

4-((3-chlorophenyl)thio)-5-methyl-2-phenyl-1,2-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one 2s^{6e}



Off-white solid (301 mg, 95%); Mp: 184-186 °C; ^1H NMR (300 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me_4Si): δ 2.07 (s, 3H); 6.98 (d, J=9.6 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, J=7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (t, J=6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (t, J=7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (d, J=8.1 Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me_4Si): δ 12.3, 86.8, 120.9, 123.6, 124.2, 125.0, 125.9, 129.0, 129.1, 130.8, 134.0, 138.1, 141.4, 152.1, 157.2; IR (KBr): 3332, 2587, 1621, 1548, 1499, 1398, 1355, 1299, 1074, 826, 733, 684, 589cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z Calcd for $[\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{ClN}_2\text{OS}+\text{H}]^+$: 317.0510, found: 317.0521.

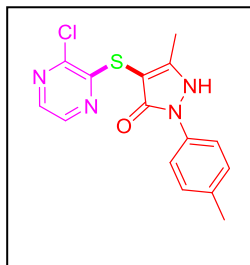
4-((3-chloropyrazin-2-yl)thio)-5-methyl-2-phenyl-1,2-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one 3a



Off-white solid (287 mg, 90%); Mp: 190-192 °C; ^1H NMR (300 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me $_4$ Si): δ 2.09 (s, 3H), 7.26 (t, $J=6.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t, $J=6.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.73 (d, $J=7.2$ Hz, 2H), 8.21 (d, $J=2.4$ Hz, 1H), 8.43 (d, $J=2.4$ Hz, 1H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me $_4$ Si): δ 12.7, 85.1, 120.9, 126.1, 129.3, 129.32, 129.5, 138.4, 139.4, 139.8, 143.5, 144.7, 152.8, 155.5, 159.2, 161.5; IR (KBr): 3330, 2794, 1619, 1544, 1495, 1397, 1335, 1299, 1139, 1045, 830, 729, 683 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z Calcd for $[\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{ClN}_4\text{OS} + \text{H}]^+$: 319.0415, found: 319.0414.

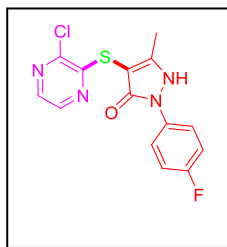
4-((3-chloropyrazin-2-yl)thio)-5-methyl-2-(p-tolyl)-1,2-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one 3b

Off-white solid (306 mg, 92%); Mp: 182-184 °C; ^1H NMR (300 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me $_4$ Si): δ 2.08 (s, 3H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 7.26 (d, $J=8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, $J=8.1$ Hz, 2H), 8.21 (s, 1H), 8.44 (s, 1H);



$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me $_4$ Si): δ 12.7, 20.8, 83.9, 120.9, 129.7, 135.3, 136.1, 139.8, 143.5, 144.7, 152.3, 155.6, 159.2, 162.2; IR (KBr): 3350, 2577, 1615, 1509, 1397, 1338, 1196, 1140, 1044, 817, 730, 504 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z Calcd for $[\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{13}\text{ClN}_4\text{OS} + \text{H}]^+$: 333.0571, found: 333.0560.

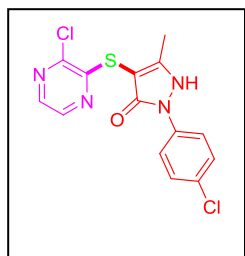
4-((3-chloropyrazin-2-yl)thio)-2-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-methyl-1,2-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one 3c



Off-white solid (310 mg, 92%); Mp: 168-170 °C; ^1H NMR (300 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me $_4$ Si): δ 2.08 (s, 3H), 7.31 (t, $J=8.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.72-7.76 (m, 2H), 8.21 (s, 1H), 8.44 (s, 1H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me $_4$ Si): δ 12.7, 84.1, 115.9, 116.2, 123.0, 123.1, 134.8, 139.8, 143.5, 144.7, 152.8, 155.4,

158.5, 161.7; IR (KBr): 3346, 2602, 1571, 1507, 1409, 1334, 1223, 1139, 1047, 838, 592, 512cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z Calcd for [C₁₄H₁₀ClFN₄OS+H]⁺: 337.0321, found: 337.0350.

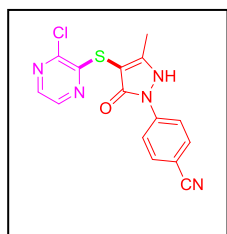
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3d



Off-white solid (318 mg, 90%); Mp: 198-200 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz; DMSO d₆; Me₄Si): δ 2.01 (s, 3H), 7.44 (d, J=9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (d, J=6.9 Hz, 2H), 8.13 (s, 1H), 8.35 (s, 1H); ¹³C{¹H}NMR (75 MHz; DMSO d₆; Me₄Si): δ 12.8, 84.5, 122.2, 129.3, 130.0, 137.3, 139.8, 143.5, 144.7, 153.3, 155.4,

157.5, 161.6; IR (KBr): 3336, 2650, 1566, 1512, 1395, 1332, 1219, 1135, 1051, 840, 734, 588, 510cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z Calcd for [C₁₄H₁₀Cl₂N₄OS+H]⁺: 353.0025, found: 353.0042.

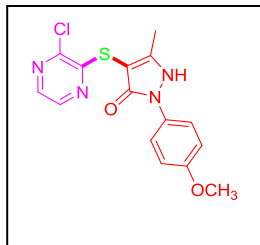
4-(4-((3-chloropyrazin-2-yl)thio)-3-methyl-5-oxo-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazol-1-yl)benzonitrile
3e



Yellow solid (309 mg, 90%); Mp: 230-232 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz; DMSO d₆; Me₄Si): δ 2.07 (s, 3H), 7.93 (dd, J=18.5 and 7.7 Hz, 4H), 8.19 (s, 1H), 8.40 (s, 1H); ¹³C{¹H}NMR (75 MHz; DMSO d₆; Me₄Si): δ 12.9, 84.0, 107.7, 119.1, 120.1, 133.9, 140.1, 141.9, 143.6, 144.8, 153.4, 155.2, 160.0, 162.4; IR

(KBr): 3330, 2583, 2223, 1721, 1627, 1594, 1504, 1422, 1377, 1327, 1121, 1007, 837, 573, 604, 546cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z Calcd for [C₁₅H₁₀ClN₅OS+H]⁺: 344.0367, found: 344.0359.

4-((3-chloropyrazin-2-yl)thio)-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-methyl-1,2-dihydro-3H-pyrazol-3-one
3f



Off-white solid (328 mg, 94%); Mp: 180-182 °C; ^1H NMR (300 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me_4Si): δ 1.99 (s, 3H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 6.95 (d, $J=9.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.52 (d, $J=8.7$ Hz, 2H), 8.14 (s, 1H), 8.37 (d, $J=2.1$ Hz, 1H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75 MHz; DMSO d_6 ; Me_4Si): δ 7.6, 50.6, 84.3, 109.3, 117.9, 126.7, 134.7, 138.4, 139.6, 147.0, 150.5, 152.5, 156.5, 161.0; IR (KBr): 3340, 2690, 1720, 1622, 1588, 1502, 1418, 1350, 1320, 1126, 1012, 835, 570, 596, 550 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z Calcd for $[\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{13}\text{ClN}_4\text{O}_2\text{S}+\text{H}]^+$: 349.0521, found: 349.0544.

IV. ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra for the products of Table 2 and 3

