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# Microwave-Assisted Synthesis and Antimicrobial Evaluation of Novel Spiroisoquinoline and Spiropyrido[4,3-d]pyrimidine Derivatives

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Abstract: Bromination of N-substituted homophthalimides and tetrahydropyrido[4,3-d]-4,4-dibromohomophthalimide pyrimidine-5,7-diones produces and 8,8-dibromotetrahydropyrido[4,3-d]pyrimidine-5,7-dione derivatives, respectively, that can be used as precursors for spiro derivatives. The dibromo derivatives react with different binucleophilic reagents to produce several spiroisoquinoline and spirotetrahydropyrido[4,3-d]pyrimidine-5,7-dione derivatives, respectively. Reaction of the dibromo derivatives with malononitrile produces dicyanomethylene derivatives which react with different binucleophiles to produce new spiro derivatives. All new compounds are prepared by using the usual chemical conditions and microwave assisted conditions. The latter conditions improved the reaction yields, reduced reaction times and ameliorated the effects on the surrounding environment as the reactions are carried out in closed systems. Structures of the newly synthesized compounds are proved using spectroscopic methods such as IR, MS, <sup>1</sup>H-NMR and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR and elemental analyses. Some of the newly synthesized compounds were tested for their antimicrobial activities, whereby four of them showed moderate activities and the rest showed low or no activities towards the investigated species.

**Keywords:** bromination; homophthalimide; pyrido[4,3-*d*]pyrimidine; spiro compounds; microwave; antimicrobial

#### 1. Introduction

Spiro compounds constitute a group of generally less investigated compounds, however, recently growing efforts have been made to synthesize and characterize these compounds. Many spiro compounds possess very promising biological activities as anticancer [1,2], antibacterial [3,4], anticonvulsant [5–7], antituberculosis [8], anti-Alzheimer's [9], pain-relief [10,11] and antidermatitis agents [12]. In addition to their medical uses, some spiro-compounds have found other uses in the agricultural and industrial fields. For example, they are used as antifungal agents [13], pesticides [14], laser dyes [15] and electroluminescent devices [16]. Spiro compounds have also been used as antioxidants [17,18]. Our research group is interested in using the microwave technique [3,19–25], as it has several advantages over conventional methods of synthesis, such as reduced reaction times, fewer effects on the environment and better reactions. In the present research, we used both the microwave technique as well as conventional methods to prepare some new spiro compounds that were then tested for their antimicrobial activities.

#### 2. Results and Discussion

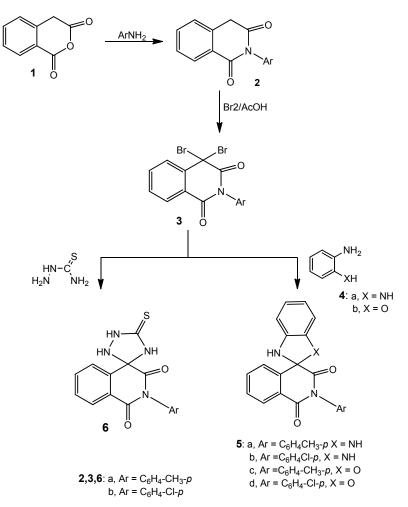
#### 2.1. Chemistry

Homophthalic anhydride (1) was reacted with aromatic amines, namely *p*-toluidine and *p*-chloroaniline, to afford *N*-arylhomophthalimide derivatives **2a**,**b** respectively, which were used as precursors for preparing new spiroisoquinolines (Scheme 1). Compounds **2a**,**b**, having an active methylene group, reacted with two equivalents of bromine in acetic acid to produce 2-aryl-4,4-dibromoisoquinoline-1,3-(2H,4H)dione derivatives **3a**,**b**. The mass spectrum of compound **3a** displayed the expected molecular ion isomeric peaks at *m/z* 407 (4.8%), 409 (10.1%), 411 (5.2%). Compound **3b** gave the molecular ion peaks at 427 (4.4%), 429 (9.9%), 431 (6.9%).

Compounds **3a**,**b** underwent direct cyclocondensation when treated with each of *o*-phenylenediamine (**4a**) or *o*-aminophenol (**4b**) to produce 2'-aryl-1,3-dihydro-1'*H*-spiro-[benzo[d]imidazole-2,4'-isoquinoline]-1',3'(2'*H*)-diones **5a**,**b** and 2'-aryl-1'*H*,3*H*-spiro[benzo[d]oxazole-2,4'-isoquinoline]-1',3'(2'*H*)-diones **5c**,**d**, respectively (Scheme 1). The synthesis of compounds **5a**–**d** was carried out under conventional heating conditions. Thus, when the reaction was carried out in a refluxing ethanolic piperidine solution for 5 h under TLC monitoring, the product **5a**–**d** were obtained in 42%–51% yields.

Similarly, compounds 3a,b reacted with thiosemicarbazide under the same reaction conditions and produced 2-aryl-5'-thioxo-1*H*-spiro[isoquinoline-4,3'-[1,2,4]triazolidine]-1,3(2*H*)-diones 6a,b (Scheme 1). The analytical and spectral data of 5a-d and 6a,b were in agreement with the proposed structures (Experimental Section).

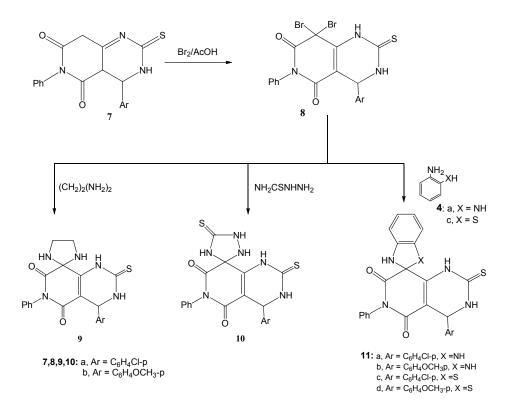
In a similar manner, when 4-(4-aryl)-6-phenyl-2-thioxo-2,3,4,4a-tetrahydropyrido-[4,3-*d*]-pyrimidine-5,7(6*H*,8*H*)-diones **7a**,**b** [26] were treated with two equivalents of bromine in acetic acid, the 8,8-dibromo derivatives **8a**,**b** were obtained. Elemental analyses as well as the spectroscopic data of **8a**,**b** agreed with the proposed structures (Experimental Section). Heating under reflux compounds **8a**,**b** in absolute ethanol in presence of piperidine with either of ethylenediamine or thiosemicarbazide afforded the corresponding targeted spiro compounds 4'-(4-aryl)-6'-phenyl-2'-thioxo-3',4'-dihydro-1'*H*-spiro- [imidazolidine-2,8'- pyrido[4,3-*d*]pyrimidine]-5',7'(2'*H*,6'*H*)-diones **9a**,**b** and 4-(4-aryl)-6-phenyl-2,5'- dithioxo-3,4-dihydro-1*H*-spiro[pyrido[4,3-*d*]pyrimidine-8,3'-[1,2,4]triazolidine]-5,7(2*H*,6*H*)-diones **10a**,**b**, respectively.



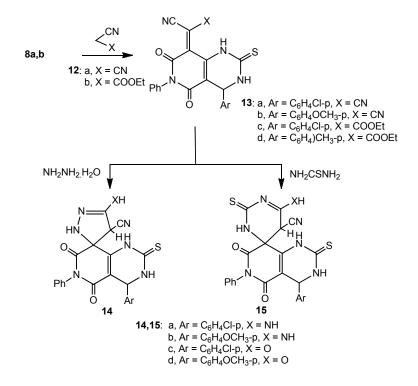
Scheme 1. Reactions of dibromohomophthalimides with binucleophilic reagents: synthesis of 5 and 6.

Similarly, compounds **8a**,**b** were refluxed with *o*-phenylenediamine (**4a**) and *o*-aminothiophenol (**4c**) in absolute ethanol, in the presence of piperidine to afford the corresponding cyclized products 4'-(4-aryl)-6'-phenyl-2'-thioxo-1,3,3',4'-tetrahydro-1'*H*-spiro[benzo[*d*]-imidazole-2,8'-pyrido[4,3-*d*]pyrimidine]-5',7'-(2'*H*,6'*H*)-diones **11a**,**b** and 4'-(4-aryl)-6'-phenyl-2'-thioxo-3',4'-dihydro-1'*H*,3*H*-spiro-[benzo[*d*]thiazole-2,8'-pyrido-[4,3-*d*]pyrimidine]-5',7'(2'*H*, 6'*H*)-diones **11c**,**d**, respectively (Scheme 2). The produced compounds **9a**,**b**, **10a**,**b** and **11a**–**d** gave fully consistent elemental and spectroscopic analyses data (Experimental Section).

On the other hand, Refluxing compounds 8a,b in ethanol/piperidine with either with malononitrile (12a) or ethyl cyanoacetate (12b) afforded the corresponding 2-(4-(4-aryl)-5,7-dioxo-6-phenyl-2-thioxo-1,2,3,4,6,7-hexahydropyrido[4,3-*d*]pyrimidin-8(5*H*)-ylidene)malononitriles (compounds 13a,b) and ethyl 2-(4-(4-aryl)-5,7-dioxo-6-phenyl-2-thioxo-1,2,3,4,6,7-hexahydropyrido-[4,3-*d*]pyrimidin-8(5*H*)-ylidene)-2-cyanoacetates 13c,d, respectively.



Scheme 2. Reaction of dibromopyridopyrimidines 8a,b with binucleophilic reagents; formation of 9, 10 and 11.



Scheme 3. Reaction of 8a,b with activated methylene compounds followed by binucleophiles; formation of 14a–d and 15a–d.

Compounds **13a**–**d** were refluxed with hydrazine hydrate in ethanol to obtain the 5-substituted-4'-(4aryl)-5',7'-dioxo-6'-phenyl-2'-thioxo-2,2',3',4,4',5',6',7'-octahydro-1'*H*-spiro[pyrazole-3,8'-pyrido-[4,3-*d*] pyrimidine]-4-carbonitrile spiro products **14a**–**d**, respectively. Similar treatment of compounds **13a**–**d**  with thiourea in ethanol/piperidine resulted in the formation of the 6'-substituted-4-(4-aryl)-5,7-dioxo-6-phenyl-2,2'-dithioxo-2,3,3',4,5,5',6,7-octahydro-1*H*,2'*H*-spiro-[pyrido[4,3-d]pyrimidine-8,4'-pyrimidine]-5'-carbonitriles **15a–d**, respectively (Scheme 3).

Trying to take advantage of the benefits of the microwave assisted reaction conditions, compounds **5**, **6**, **9**, **10**, **11**, **14** and **15** were prepared by using microwave irradiation instead of the conventional heating conditions. The results showed that much less time was needed to prepare these compounds, as well as a considerable increase in the reaction yields upon using the environmentally friendly microwave irradiation conditions. Table 1 shows a comparison in reaction times and yields between the conventional and microwave assisted methods of preparation.

Compound No.	Reaction Tim	es	Reaction Yields (%)		
	<b>Conventional Methods *</b>	Microwave <sup>‡</sup>	<b>Conventional Methods *</b>	Microwave <sup>‡</sup>	
5a	5 h	15 min	42	91	
5b	5 h	15 min	48	89	
5c	5 h	15 min	47	82	
5d	5 h	15 min	53	92	
6a	4 h	10 min	60	94	
6b	4 h	10 min	55	90	
9a	2 h	5 min	65	93	
9b	2 h	5 min	67	91	
10a	2 h	5 min	61	91	
10b	2 h	5 min	58	89	
<b>11</b> a	2 h	5 min	47	84	
11b	2 h	5 min	50	91	
11c	2 h	5 min	52	88	
11d	2 h	5 min	54	80	
14a	3 h	7 min	37	81	
14b	3 h	7 min	42	84	
14c	3 h	7 min	45	89	
14d	3 h	7 min	44	82	
15a	3 h	7 min	47	88	
15b	3 h	7 min	43	87	
15c	3 h	7 min	51	90	
15d	3 h	7 min	47	91	

**Table 1.** Comparison between conventional methods and microwave assisted methods of synthesis of compounds **5a–d**, **6a,b**, **9a,b**, **10a,b**, **11a–d**, **14a–d** and **15a–d**.

\* Conventional reaction conditions: the reactants were heated under reflux in the proper solvent for 2–5 h in open systems (Experimental Section). <sup>‡</sup> Microwave-assisted reaction conditions: the reactants were heated in tightly closed tubes in scientific microwave oven for 5–15 min (Experimental Section).

### 2.2. Antimicrobial Evaluation

The newly synthesized heterocyclic compounds were tested for their antimicrobial activity against the following microorganisms: *Escherichia coli*, *Pseudomonas putida*, *Bacillus subtilis*, *Streptococcus lactis*, *Aspergillus niger*, *Penicillium* sp. and *Candida albicans*. The filter paper disc diffusion method [27]

was used to perform preliminary screening of the investigated compounds. The most active compounds were **5a**, **6b**, **9a** and **9b**, which showed moderate inhibition to the microorganisms. Also, compounds **5c**, **6a**, **11a**, **11c** and **15b** showed slight inhibitory action. The rest of compounds showed no sensitivity at all to the tested organisms, and the results are summarized in Table 2.

	Inhibition Zone (mm)								
Comp. No.	Gram-Negative		Gram-Positive		Fungi		Yeast		
	E. coli	P. putida	B. subtilis	S. lactis	A. niger	<i>P</i> . sp.	C. albicans		
5a	11	13	8	10	9	8	0		
5c	4	4	3	2	4	0	0		
6a	8	6	7	8	6	6	0		
6b	14	15	13	13	11	9	0		
9a	10	10	11	10	10	8	0		
9b	12	10	10	9	6	5	0		
10a	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
10b	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
11a	5	5	3	3	5	4	0		
11c	7	8	7	6	4	0	0		
14a	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
14d	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
15b	7	5	5	4	6	3	0		
15c	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Chloram-phenicol	22	21	18	19	20	12	0		
Ampicillin	24	20	19	22	24	14	14		

Table 2. Antimicrobial activities of the newly synthesized compounds.

*E.* coli = Escherichia coli; P. putida = Pseudomonas putida; B. subtilis = Bacillus subtilis; S. lactis = Streptococcus lactis; A. niger = Aspergillus niger; P. sp. = Penicillium sp.; C. albicans = Candida albicans. The sensitivity of microorganisms to the tested compounds is identified in the following manner: Highly sensitive = Inhibition zone 15–20 mm; Moderately sensitive = Inhibition zone: 10–15 mm; Slightly sensitive = Inhibition zone: 5–10 mm; Not sensitive = Inhibition zone: 0 mm; Each result represents the average of triplicate readings.

### 3. Experimental Section

### 3.1. General

Melting points were determined in open glass capillaries on a Gallenkamp melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. IR spectra (KBr discs) were recorded on Shimadzu FTIR-8201PC spectrophotometer (Giza, Egypt). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian Mercury 300 MHz or Varian Gemini 200 MHz spectrometers (Giza, Egypt) using TMS as an internal standard and DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> as solvent. Microwave reactions were performed with a Millstone Organic Synthesis Unit with touch control terminal (MicroSYNTH, Giza, Egypt) with a continuous focused microwave power delivery system in a pressure glass vessel (10 mL) sealed with a septum under magnetic stirring. The temperature of the reaction mixture was monitored using a calibrated infrared temperature control under the reaction vessel, and control of the pressure was performed with a pressure sensor connected to the septum of the vessel. Elemental analysis was carried out at the Microanalytical Center of Cairo University, Giza, Egypt.

## 3.1.1. 2-Aryl-4,4-dibromoisoquinoline-1,3-(2*H*,4*H*)dione Derivatives **3a**,**b**

A solution of either of **2a** (2.37 g, 0.01 mol), **2b** (2.51 g, 0.01 mol) or **2c** (2.72 g, 0.01 mol) in glacial acetic acid (20 mL) was heated under reflux with bromine (1.1 mL, 3.0 g, 0.02 mole) for 2 h. After cooling, the reaction mixture was poured onto ice-water and the solid that precipitated was filtered off, dried and crystallized from the proper solvent.

*4,4-Dibromo-2-p-tolylisoquinoline-1,3-(2H,4H)dione* (**3a**): white crystals after crystallization from acetic acid then washing with ethanol; 66% yield; m.p. 236–238 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 2.60 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 7.10–8.30 (m, 8H, Ar-H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 25.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 80.2 (sp3 C-4), 118.2, 122.7, 125.3, 126.1, 128.7, 130.0, 131.5, 134.6, 135.2, 136.4 (aromatic C), 158.4, 167.6 (2 CO); IR v: 3066 cm<sup>-1</sup> (aromatic CH), 2970 (aliphatic CH), 1645 (broad, 2C=O), 1605, 1500 (aromatic C=C); MS: M<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 407 (3.2%), 409 (6.7%), 411 (3.0%); Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>11</sub>Br<sub>2</sub>NO<sub>2</sub> (407.07): C (46.98%), H (2.71%), Br (39.07%), N (3.42%); Found: C (46.7%), H (2.9%), Br (38.93%), N (3.1%).

*4,4-Dibromo-2-(4-chlorophenyl)isoquinoline-1,3(2H,4H)-dione* (**3b**): white crystals after crystallization from acetic acid then washing with ethanol; 52% yield; m.p. 216–218 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 7.40–8.50 (m, 8H, Ar-H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 80.2 (sp3 C-4), 121.5, 123.9, 125.8, 127.1, 128.7, 130.0, 131.5, 134.6, 135.2, 136.4 (aromatic C), 158.2, 167.5 (2 CO); IR v: 3060 cm<sup>-1</sup> (aromatic CH), 1645 (broad, 2C=O), 1605, 1500 (aromatic C=C); MS: M<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 427 (4.7%), 429 (10.3%), 431 (7.2%); Anal. Calcd.forC<sub>15</sub>H<sub>8</sub>Br<sub>2</sub>ClNO<sub>2</sub> (429.49): C (41.95%), H (1.88%), Br (37.21%), Cl (8.25%), N (3.26%); Found: C (41.7%), H (1.7%), Br (37.1%), Cl (8.4%), N (3.1%).

3.1.2. Cyclocondensation of **3a** with *o*-Phenylenediamine and *o*-Aminophenol; Formation of **5a-d** 

**Method A**: Compounds **3a**,**b** (0.01 mol) were heated under reflux with either of *o*-phenylenediamine (1.08 g, 0.01 mol) or *o*-aminophenol (1.09 g, 0.01 mol) in absolute ethanol (25 mL) and few drops of piperidine for 5 h. The reaction mixture was then cooled, acidified with few drops of conc. hydrochloric acid and the solid that precipitated was filtered at the pump and crystallized from the appropriate solvent.

**Method B**: The same reactants of method A were heated in microwave oven at 500 W and 140 °C for 15 min. The reaction mixture was treated similar to method A to obtain compounds **5a–d**.

2'-(4-Tolyl)-1,3-dihydro-1'H-spiro[benzimidazole-2,4'-isoquinoline]-1',3'(2'H)-dione (**5a**): grey crystals after crystallization from acetic acid; 42% yield (Method A) and 91% (Method B); 229–231 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 2.40 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.80 (s, 2H, 2NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 6.40–7.70 (m, 12H, Ar-H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 25.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 83.4 (sp3-spiro C), 113.0, 115.9, 120.2, 122.9, 127.3, 127.8, 128.3, 128.9, 131.2, 133.7, 135.1, 135.9, 136.8 (aromatic C), 155.4, 163.6 (2 CO); IR v: 3180 cm<sup>-1</sup> (broad, NH), 3065 (aromatic CH), 2970 (aliphatic CH), 1655, 1640 (2C=O), 1605, 1500 (aromatic C=C); MS: M<sup>+</sup> *m*/*z* 355 (12.3%); Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (355.39): C (74.35%), H (4.82%), N (11.82%); Found: C (74.1%), H (4.4%), N (12.1%).

2'-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1,3-dihydro-1'H-spiro[benzimidazole-2,4'-isoquinoline]-1',3'(2'H)-dione (5b): grey crystals after crystallization from acetic acid; 48% yield (Method A) and 89% (Method B); m.p. 215–217 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 3.90 (s, 2H, 2NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 6.90–8.10 (m, 12H, Ar-H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 83.4 (sp3-spiro C), 115.0, 118.1, 123.6, 125.2, 127.3, 128.8, 129.6, 130.9, 131.8, 133.7, 135.1, 135.9, 136.8 (aromatic C), 155.4, 163.6 (2 CO); IR v: 3180 cm<sup>-1</sup> (broad, NH), 3065 (aromatic CH), 1655, 1640 (2C=O), 1605, 1500 (aromatic C=C); MS: M<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 375 (11.5%), 377 (4.1%); Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>14</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (375.81): C (67.12%), H (3.75%), Cl (9.43%), N (11.18%); Found: C (76.0%), H (3.5%), Cl (9.3%), N (11.3%).

2'-p-Tolyl-1,3-dihydro-1'H-spiro[benzo[d]imidazole-2,4'-isoquinoline]-1',3'(2'H)-dione (**5c**): grey crystals after crystallization from acetic acid; 47% yield (Method A) and 82% (Method B); m.p. 240–242 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 2.60 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.90 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 6.70–7.90 (m, 12H, Ar-H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 83.4 (sp3-spiro C), 115.4, 118.8, 122.7, 126.2, 127.3, 128.8, 129.6, 130.9, 131.8, 133.2, 136.8, 137.9, 142.8 (aromatic C), 155.4, 163.6 (2 CO); IR v: 3190 cm<sup>-1</sup> (broad, NH), 3065 (aromatic CH), 2975 (aliphatic CH), 1655,1645 (2C=O), 1605, 1500 (aromatic C=C); MS: M<sup>+</sup> *m*/z 356 (10.3%); Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (356.37): C (74.15%), H (4.53%), N (7.86%); Found: C (74.05%), H (4.43%), N (7.75%).

*2'-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1'H,3H-spiro[benzo[d]oxazole-2,4'-isoquinoline]-1',3'(2'H)-dione* (**5d**): grey crystals after crystallization from acetic acid; 53% yield (Method A) and 92% (Method B); m.p. 220–222 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 3.90 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 6.70–8.00 (m, 12H, Ar-H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 93.8 (sp3-spiro C), 119.0, 122.1, 124.9, 125.8, 127.5, 128.9, 129.6, 131.2, 132.9, 134.7, 137.1, 139.9, 146.8 (aromatic C), 155.4, 163.6 (2 CO); IR v: 3150 cm<sup>-1</sup> (broad, NH), 3065 (aromatic CH), 1655,1645 (2C=O), 1605, 1500 (aromatic C=C); MS: M<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 376 (8.5%), 378 (2.7%); Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>13</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (376.79): C (66.94%), H (3.48%), Cl (9.41%), N (7.43%); Found: C (66.6%), H (3.6%), Cl (9.1%), N (7.3%).

3.1.3. Cyclocondensation of **3a**,**b** with Thiosemicarbazide; Formation of **6a**,**b** 

**Method A**: Each of compounds **3a**,**b** (0.01 mol), was heated under reflux with thiosemicarbazide (0.91 g, 0.01 mol), absolute ethanol (25 mL) and few drops of piperidine for 4 h. The reaction mixture was then cooled, acidified with few drops of conc. hydrochloric acid and the solid that precipitated was filtered at the pump and crystallized from the appropriate solvent.

**Method B**: The same reactants of method A were heated in microwave oven at 500 W and 140 °C for 10 min. The reaction mixture was treated similar to method A to obtain compounds **6a**,**b**.

*5'-Thioxo-2-p-tolyl-1H-spiro[isoquinoline-4,3'-[1,2,4]triazolidine]-1,3(2H)-dione* (**6a**): white crystals after crystallization from acetic acid and washing with ethanol; 55% yield (Method A) and 90% (Method B); m.p. 156–158 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 2.40 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.10 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 3.60 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 4.00 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 7.20–7.90 (m, 8H, Ar-H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 23.2 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 91.7 (sp3 spiro C), 121.1, 123.4, 127.6, 128.4, 128.8, 129.8, 132.1, 134.0, 135.2, 136.8 (aromatic C), 154.9, 159.5 (2 CO), 176.9 (CS); IR v: 3220, 3185, 3150 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH), 3060 (aromatic CH), 2970 (aliphatic CH), 1670,1650 (2C=O), 1600, 1490 (aromatic C=C); MS (70 eV): M<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 338 (10.3%); Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>14</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S (338.36): C (60.34%), H (4.17%), N (16.56%), S(9.48%); Found: C (60.0%), H (3.9%), N (16.8%), S (9.7%).

2-(4-Chlorophenyl)-5'-thioxo-1H-spiro[isoquinoline-4,3'-[1,2,4]triazolidine]-1,3(2H)-dione (6b): white crystals after crystallization from dilute acetic acid and washing with ethanol; 60% yield

(Method A) and 94% (Method B); m.p. 188–190 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 3.10 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 3.50 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 4.00 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 7.20–7.90 (m, 8H, Ar-H); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 92.7 (sp3 spiro C), 127.1, 127.9, 132.6, 133.4, 134.8, 135.6, 136.1, 137.0, 137.9, 138.8 (aromatic C), 156.9, 160.7 (2CO), 180.1 (CS); IR v: 3220, 3185, 3150 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH), 3060 (aromatic CH), 1670,1645 (2C=O), 1600, 1490 (aromatic C=C); MS (70 eV): M<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 358 (12.7%) and 360 (4.3%); Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>11</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S (358.80): C (53.56%), H (3.09%), Cl (9.88%), N (15. 61%), S (8.94%); Found: C (53.4%), H (2.90%), Cl (9.6%), N (15.5%), S (8.7%).

### 3.1.4. Bromination of 7a,b; Formation of 8a,b

A solution of either of **7a** or **7b** (0.01 mol) in ethanol (20 mL) was heated under reflux with bromine (1.1 mL, 3.0 g, 0.02 mol) for 2 h. After cooling, the reaction mixture was poured onto ice-water and the solid that precipitated was filtered off, dried and crystallized from the proper solvent.

8,8-Dibromo-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-6-phenyl-2-thioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyrido[4,3-d]pyrimidine-5,7 (6H,8H)-dione (**8a**): white crystals after crystallization from absolute ethanol; 55% yield; m.p. 255–257 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 3.00 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 5.40 (s, 1H, CH), 7.20–7.70 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 11.30 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 55.7 (pyrimidine C-4), 80.9 (pyridine C-8), 127.1, 127.9, 132.6, 133.4, 134.8, 135.6, 136.1, 137.0, 139.9, 150.8 (aromatic C), 156.9, 160.7 (2CO), 178.0 (CS); IR v: 3220, 3180 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH), 3060 (aromatic CH), 2850 (aliphatic CH), 1670, 1640 (2C=O), 1600, 1490 (aromatic C=C); MS (70 eV): M<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 539 (4.7%), 541 (10.7%) and 543 (7.1%); Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>12</sub>Br<sub>2</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S (541.64): C (42.13%), H (2.23%), Br (29.50%), Cl (6.55%), N (7.76%), S (5.92%); Found: C (42.0%), H (2.3%), Br (29.4%), Cl (6.7%), N (7.9%), S (5.8%).

8,8-Dibromo-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-phenyl-2-thioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyrido[4,3-d]pyrimidine-5,7 (6H,8H)-dione (**8b**): white crystals after crystallization from absolute ethanol; 53% yield; m.p. 232–234 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 3.00 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 3.80 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.40 (s, 1H, CH), 6.90–7.60 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 11.30 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 53.9 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 55.5 (pyrimidine C-4), 83.1 (pyridine C-8), 127.4, 128.4, 132.7, 133.8, 134.9, 136.6, 137.1, 138.5, 148.3, 150.8 (aromatic C), 156.9, 160.7 (2CO), 182.0 (CS); IR v: 3220, 3180 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH), 3060 (aromatic CH), 2880 (aliphatic CH), 1665, 1645 (2C=O), 1600, 1490 (aromatic C=C); MS (70 eV): M<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 535 (6.5%), 537 (13.7%) and 539 (6.1%); Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>15</sub>Br<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S (537.22): C (44.71%), H (2.81%), Br (29.75%), N (7.82%), S (5.97%); Found: C (44.8%), H (2.8%), Br (29.9%), N (7.7%), S (6.1%).

3.1.5. Cyclocondensation of 8a,b with Ethylene Diamine and Thiosemicarbazide; Formation of 9a and 10a

**Method A**: Each of compounds **8a**,**b** (0.01 mol) was heated under reflux with either of ethylene diamine (0.67 mL, 0.01 mol) or thiosemicarbazide (0.91 g, 0.01 mol) in absolute ethanol (25 mL)] and few drops of piperidine for 2 h. The reaction mixture was then cooled, acidified with few drops of conc. hydrochloric acid and the solid that precipitated was filtered at the pump and crystallized from the appropriate solvent to give **9a**,**b** and **10a**,**b**.

**Method B**: The same reactants of method A were heated in microwave oven at 500 W and 140 °C for 5 min. The reaction mixture was treated similar to method A to obtain compounds **9a**,**b** and **10a**,**b**.

4'-(4-Chlorophenyl)-6'-phenyl-2'-thioxo-3',4'-dihydro-1'H-spiro[imidazolidine-2,8'-pyrido[4,3-d] pyrimidine]-5',7'(2'H,6'H)-dione (**9a**): white crystals after crystallization from absolute ethanol; 65% yield (Method A) and 93% (Method B); m.p. 247–249 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 2.60 (s, 4H, 2CH<sub>2</sub>-imidazolidine), 3.10 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 3.80 (s, 2H, 2NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 5.30 (s, 1H, CH), 7.20–7.70 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 11.30 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 51.2 (imidazolidine 2CH<sub>2</sub>), 55.7 (pyrimidine C-4), 80.9 (pyridine C-8), 127.1, 127.9, 132.6, 133.4, 134.8, 135.6, 136.1, 137.0, 138.5, 147.3 (aromatic C), 156.9, 160.4 (2CO), 181.0 (CS); IR v: 3280, 3220, 3180 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH), 3060 (aromatic CH), 2850 (aliphatic CH), 1670, 1645 (2C=O), 1600, 1490 (aromatic C=C); MS (70 eV): M<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 439 (8.7%) and 441 (3.2%). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>18</sub>ClN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S (439.92): C (57.33%), H (4.12%), Cl (8.06%), N (15.92%), S (7.29%); Found: C (57.1%), H (4. 2%), Cl (7.9%), N (16.1%), S (7.1%).

### 4'-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-6'-phenyl-2'-thioxo-3',4'-dihydro-1'H-spiro[imidazolidine-2,8'-pyrido[4,3-d]

*pyrimidine]-5'*, 7'(2'H,6'H)-dione (**9b**): white crystals after crystallization from absolute ethanol; 67% yield (Method A) and 91% (Method B); m.p. 215–217 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 2.60 (s, 4H, 2CH<sub>2</sub>-imidazolidine), 3.00 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 3.60 (s, 2H, 2NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 3.80 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.40 (s, 1H, CH), 6.90–7.60 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 11.30 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 51.0 (imidazolidine 2CH<sub>2</sub>), 53.9 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 55.5 (pyrimidine C-4), 83.1 (pyridine C-8), 116.4, 118.5, 125.7, 128.0, 134.9, 136.6, 137.1, 138.5, 148.3, 150.8 (aromatic C), 156.9, 160.7 (2CO), 182.0 (CS); IR v: 3280, 3220, 3180 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH), 3060 (aromatic CH), 2880 (aliphatic CH), 1670, 1645 (2C=O), 1600, 1490 (aromatic C=C); MS (70 eV): M<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 435 (7.1%); Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S (435.50): C (60.67%), H (4.86%), N (16.08%), S (7.36%); Found: C (60.7%), H (4.9%), N (15.9%), S (7.1%).

# 4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-6-phenyl-2,5'-dithioxo-3,4-dihydro-1H-spiro[pyrido[4,3-d]pyrimidine-8,3'-

[1,2,4]triazolidine]-5,7(2H,6H)-dione (**10a**): white crystals after crystallization from absolute ethanol; 61% yield (Method A) and 91% (Method B); m.p. 225–227 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 3.00 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 3.10 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 3.40 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 5.30 (s, 1H, CH), 7.20–7.70 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 8.10 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 11.00 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 55.7 (pyrimidine C-4), 80.9 (pyridine C-8), 127.1, 127.9, 132.6, 133.4, 134.8, 135.6, 136.1, 137.0, 140.5, 152.3 (aromatic C), 156.9, 160.4 (2CO), 177.3, 181.0 (2CS); IR v: 3280, 3220, 3180 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH), 3060 (aromatic CH), 2850 (aliphatic CH), 1675, 1640 (2C=O), 1600, 1490 (aromatic C=C); MS (70 eV): M<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 470 (11.3%) and 441 (3.9%). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>15</sub>ClN<sub>6</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub> (470.96): C (51.01%), H (3.21%), Cl (7.53%), N (13.62%), S (7.29%); Found: C (50.9%), H (3.1%), Cl (7.3%), N (13.4%), S (7.4%).

4-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-6-phenyl-2,5'-dithioxo-3,4-dihydro-1H-spiro[pyrido[4,3-d]pyrimidine-8,3'-[1,2,4] triazolidine]-5,7(2H,6H)-dione (**10b**): white crystals after crystallization from absolute ethanol; 58% yield (Method A) and 89% (Method B); m.p. 206–208 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 3.00 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 3.10 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 3.60 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 3.80 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.40 (s, 1H, CH), 6.90–7.60 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 8.00 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 11.30 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 53.3 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 55.7 (pyrimidine C-4), 80.9 (pyridine C-8), 114.3, 115.9, 122.6, 126.4, 131.8, 135.6, 136.1, 137.0, 142.5, 150.3 (aromatic C), 160.9, 164.0 (2CO), 173.4, 181.0 (2CS); IR v: 3280, 3220, 3180 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH), 3060 (aromatic CH), 2850 (aliphatic CH), 1675, 1640

(2C=O), 1600, 1490 (aromatic C=C); MS (70 eV): M<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 466 (8.3%). Anal. calcd. for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub> (466.54): C (54.06%), H (3.89%), N (18.01%), S (13.75%); Found: C (53.9%), H (3.7%), N (17.9%), S (13.6%).

3.1.6. Cyclocondensation of **8a**,**b** with *o*-Phenylenediamine (**4a**) and *o*-Aminothiophenol (**4c**); Formation of **11a**–**d** 

**Method A**: Each of compounds 8a,b (0.01 mol) was heated under reflux with either of *o*-phenylenediamine (4a; 1.08 g, 0.01 mol) or *o*-aminothiophenol (4c; 1.25 mL, 0.01 mol) in absolute ethanol (25 mL) and few drops of piperidine for 2 h. The reaction mixture was then cooled, acidified with few drops of conc. hydrochloric acid and the solid that precipitated was filtered at the pump and crystallized from the appropriate solvent.

**Method B**: The same reactants of method A were heated in microwave oven at 500 W and 140 °C for 5 min. The reaction mixture was treated similar to method A to obtain compounds **11a–d**.

4'-(4-Chlorophenyl)-6'-phenyl-2'-thioxo-1,3,3',4'-tetrahydro-1'H-spiro[benzo[d]imidazole-2,8'-pyrido [4,3-d]pyrimidine]-5',7'(2'H,6'H)-dione (**11a**): white crystals after crystallization from absolute ethanol; 47% yield (Method A) and 84% (Method B); m.p. 258–260 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 3.10 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 4.40 (s, 2H, 2NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 5.30 (s, 1H, CH), 6.60–7.50 (m, 13H, Ar-H), 12.10 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 55.7 (pyrimidine C-4), 80.9 (pyridine C-8), 116.8, 119.2, 127.1, 127.9, 132.6, 133.3, 134.6, 135.6, 136.1, 137.0, 138.5, 145.3, 151.4 (aromatic C), 160.9, 164.4 (2CO), 175.1 (CS); IR v: 3280, 3220, 3180 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH), 3040 (aromatic CH), 2830 (aliphatic CH), 1665, 1645 (2C=O), 1600, 1490 (aromatic C=C); MS (70 eV): M<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 487 (6.3%) and 489 (2.2%). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>18</sub>CIN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S (487.96): C (61.54%), H (3.72%), Cl (7.27%), N (14.35%), S (6.57%); Found: C (61.3%), H (3.6%), Cl (7.1%), N (14.3%), S (6.4%).

*4'-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-6'-phenyl-2'-thioxo-1,3,3',4'-tetrahydro-1'H-spiro[benzo[d]imidazole-2,8'-pyrido[4,3-d]pyrimidine]-5',7'(2'H,6'H)-dione* (**11b**): white crystals after crystallization from absolute ethanol; 50% yield (Method A) and 91% (Method B); m.p. 226–228 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 3.10 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 3.80 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.10 (s, 2H, 2NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 5.40 (s, 1H, CH), 6.60–7.50 (m, 13H, Ar-H), 12.20 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 55.3 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 55.7 (pyrimidine C-4), 80.9 (pyridine C-8), 112.8, 116.2, 123.1, 124.9, 132.6, 133.3, 134.6, 135.6, 136.1, 137.0, 138.5, 145.4, 150.6 (aromatic C), 160.9, 164.4 (2CO), 175.1 (CS); IR v: 3280, 3220, 3180 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH), 3040 (aromatic CH), 2830 (aliphatic CH), 1665, 1645 (2C=O), 1600, 1490 (aromatic C=C); MS (70 eV): M<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 483 (6.8%). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S (483.54): C (64.58%), H (4.38%), N (14.48%), S (6.63%); Found: C (64.5%), H (4.1%), N (14.6%), S (6.5%).

4'-(4-Chlorophenyl)-6'-phenyl-2'-thioxo-3',4'-dihydro-1'H,3H-spiro[benzo[d]thiazole-2,8'-pyrido[4,3-d] pyrimidine]-5',7'(2'H,6'H)-dione (**11c**): white crystals after crystallization from absolute ethanol; m.p. 230–232 °C, in 52% yield (Method A) and 88% (Method B); <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 3.10 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 4.50 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 5.30 (s, 1H, CH), 6.60–7.50 (m, 13H, Ar-H), 11.80 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 55.7 (pyrimidine C-4), 82.0 (pyridine C-8), 116.0, 119.6, 121.3, 125.2, 127.4, 128.5, 132.6, 133.3, 134.6, 135.6, 136.1, 137.0, 138.5, 140.3 145.3, 151.4 (aromatic C),

160.9, 164.4 (2CO), 175.1 (CS); IR v: 3280, 3220, 3180 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH), 3040 (aromatic CH), 2830 (aliphatic CH), 1665, 1645 (2C=O), 1600, 1490 (aromatic C=C); MS (70 eV):  $M^+ m/z$  504 (9.8%) and 489 (3.7%). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>17</sub>ClN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub> (505.01): C (59.46%), H (3.39%), Cl (7.02%), N (11.09%), S (12.70%); Found: C (59.5%), H (3.2%), Cl (6.9%), N (11.2%), S (12.6%).

4'-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-6'-phenyl-2'-thioxo-3',4'-dihydro-1'H,3H-spiro[benzo[d]thiazole-2,8'-pyrido[4,3-d] pyrimidine]-5',7'(2'H,6'H)-dione (11d): white crystals after crystallization from absolute ethanol; 45% yield (Method A) and 80% (Method B); m.p. 210–212 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 3.10 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 3.80 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.00 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 5.40 (s, 1H, CH), 6.60–7.50 (m, 13H, Ar-H), 12.20 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 55.3 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 55.7 (pyrimidine C-4), 80.9 (pyridine C-8), 116.4, 118.2, 121.2, 125.6, 127.1, 128.5, 132.6, 133.3, 134.6, 135.6, 136.1, 137.0, 138.5, 140.3, 145.1, 151.3 (aromatic C), 160.9, 164.4 (2CO), 175.1 (CS); IR v: 3280, 3220, 3180 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH), 3040 (aromatic CH), 2830 (aliphatic CH), 1665, 1645 (2C=O), 1600, 1490 (aromatic C=C); MS (70 eV): M<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 500 (11.3%). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub> (500.59): C (62.38%), H (4.03%), N (11.19%), S (12.81%); Found: C (62.4%), H (3.9%), N (11.0%), S (12.6%).

3.1.7. Reactions of 8a,b with Malononitrile (12a) and Ethyl cyanoacetate (12b): Formation of 13a-d

To a solution of each of compounds **8a**,**b** (0.01 mol) in absolute ethanol (30 mL) containing a catalytic amount of piperidine was added either of malononitrile (**12a**; 0.66 g, 0.01 mol) or ethyl cyanoacetate (**12b**; 1.13 mL, 0.01 mol). The reaction mixture was heated under reflux for 3 h, under TLC monitoring, then cooled and poured onto ice-cold water. The solid product that separated was filtered off, dried and crystallized from ethanol.

*2-(4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-5,7-dioxo-6-phenyl-2-thioxo-1,2,3,4,6,7-hexahydropyrido[4,3-d]pyrimidin-8(5H)-ylidene)malononitrile* (**13a**): pale yellow crystals after crystallization from absolute ethanol; 52% yield; m.p. 223–225 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 3.20 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 4.80 (s, 1H, CH), 7.20–7.50 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 12.60 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 55.5 (pyrimidine C-4), 81.9 (methylidine C), 107.1 (CN), 112.1, 127.1, 127.9, 132.1, 132.9, 133.8, 134.7, 135.1, 137.3, 150.8, 154.3 (sp2 + aromatic C), 156.9, 160.7 (2CO), 178.0 (CS); IR v: 3220, 3180 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH), 3060 (aromatic CH), 2850 (aliphatic CH), 2210 (CN), 1670, 1640 (2C=O), 1600, 1490 (aromatic C=C); MS (70 eV): M<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 445 (12.2%) and 447 (4.7%). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>12</sub>ClN<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S (445.88): C (59.26%), H (2.71%), Cl (7.95%), N (15.71%), S (7.19%); Found: C (59.2%), H (2.5%), Cl (7.8%), N (15.6%), S (7.0%).

*2-(4-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-5,7-dioxo-6-phenyl-2-thioxo-1,2,3,4,6,7-hexahydropyrido[4,3-d]pyrimidin-8 (5H)-ylidene)malononitrile* **(13b)**: yellow crystals after crystallization from absolute ethanol; 50% yield; m.p. 214–216 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 3.10 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 3.80 (s, 1H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.70 (s, 1H, CH), 6.90–7.50 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 12.60 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 54.7 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 55.5 (pyrimidine C-4), 81.8 (methylidine C), 107.1 (CN), 112.1, 114.8, 127.3, 132.1, 132.9, 133.8, 134.6, 135.1, 137.3, 150.8, 154.3 (sp2 + aromatic C), 156.9, 160.7 (2CO), 178.1 (CS); IR v: 3220, 3180 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH), 3060 (aromatic CH), 2850 (aliphatic CH), 2210 (CN), 1670, 1640 (2C=O), 1600, 1500 (aromatic C=C); MS (70 eV): M<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 441 (15.1%); Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S (441.46): C (62.58%), H (3.42%), N (15.86%), S (7.26%); Found: C (62.6%), H (3.5%), N (15.7%), S (7.0%).

*Ethyl* 2-(4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5,7-dioxo-6-phenyl-2-thioxo-1,2,3,4,6,7-hexahydropyrido[4,3-d]-pyrimidin-8(5H)-ylidene)-2-cyanoacetate (**13c**): white crystals after crystallization from absolute ethanol; 42% yield; m.p. 188–190 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 1.20 (t, 3h, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.00 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 4.30 (q, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.10 (s, 1H, CH), 7.20–7.60 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 12.50 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 16.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 55.5 (pyrimidine C-4), 59.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 93.9 (methylidine C), 108.1 (CN), 123.4, 127.1, 127.9, 132.1, 132.9, 133.8, 134.6, 135.1, 137.3, 151.8, 157.1 (sp2 + aromatic C), 156.9, 160.7, 165.0 (3CO), 178.0 (CS); IR v: 3220, 3180 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH), 3060 (aromatic CH), 2850 (aliphatic CH), 2230 (CN), 1710, 1670, 1640 (3C=O), 1600, 1490 (aromatic C=C); MS (70 eV): M<sup>+</sup> *m*/z 492 (14.2%) and 494 (5.0%). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>17</sub>ClN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S (492.93): C (58.48%), H (3.48%), Cl (7.19%), N (11.37%), S (6.50%); Found: C (58.3%), H (3.3%), Cl (7.1%), N (11.4%), S (6.4%).

*Ethyl 2-cyano-2-(4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5,7-dioxo-6-phenyl-2-thioxo-1,2,3,4,6,7-hexahydropyrido-[4,3-d] pyrimidin-8(5H)-ylidene)acetate* (**13d**): white crystals after crystallization from absolute ethanol; 42% yield; m.p. 188–190 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 1.20 (t, 3h, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.00 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 3.70 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.30 (q, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.10 (s, 1H, CH), 6.90–7.60 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 12.30 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 16.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 53.1 (OCH<sub>3</sub>) 55.5 (pyrimidine C-4), 59.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 91.7 (methylidine C), 108.1 (CN), 117.7, 125.1, 126.9, 132.1, 132.9, 133.8, 133.6, 135.1, 137.3, 148.8, 156.6 (sp2 + aromatic C), 156.9, 160.7, 165.0 (3CO), 178.0 (CS); IR v: 3220, 3180 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH), 3060 (aromatic CH), 2850 (aliphatic CH), 2230 (CN), 1710, 1670, 1640 (3C=O), 1600, 1490 (aromatic C=C); MS (70 eV): M<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 488 (13.9%); Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>5</sub>S (488.52): C (61.47%), H (4.13%), N (11.47%), S (6.56%); Found: C (61.5%), H (4.0%), N (11.4%), S (6.4%).

3.1.8. Reaction of **13a–d** with Hydrazine Hydrate and Thiourea: Formation of **14a–d** and **15a–d** 

**Method A**: To a solution of each of compounds 13a-d (0.01 mol) in absolute ethanol (30 mL) containing a catalytic amount of piperidine was added hydrazine (0.32 mL, 0.01 mol) or thiourea (0.76 g, 0.01 mol). The reaction mixture was heated under reflux for 3 h, under TLC monitoring, then cooled and poured onto ice-cold water. The solid product that separated was filtered off, dried and crystallized from ethanol.

**Method B**: The same reactants of method A were heated in microwave oven at 500 W and 140 °C for 7 min. The reaction mixture was treated similar to method A to obtain compounds **14a–d** and **15a–d**.

*5-Amino-4'-(4-chlorophenyl)-5',7'-dioxo-6'-phenyl-2'-thioxo-2,2',3',4,4',5',6',7'-octahydro-1'H-spiro [pyrazole-3,8'-pyrido[4,3-d]pyrimidine]-4-carbonitrile* (**14a**): white crystals after crystallization from absolute dioxane; 37% yield (Method A) and 81% (Method B); m.p. 235–237 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 3.20 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 4.10 (s, 1H, pyrazole H-4), 5.10 (s, 1H, pyrimidine H-4), 6.2 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 7.20–7.50 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 9.1 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 12.60 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 39.5 (pyrazole C-4), 55.4 (pyrimidine C-4), 58.9 (spiro-C), 107.1 (CN), 110.3, 116.1, 126.9, 131.8, 132.7, 133.8, 134.6, 135.1, 137.3, 143.1, 154.3 (sp2 + aromatic C), 156.9, 160.7 (2CO), 178.0 (CS); IR v: 3350, 3220, 3180 cm<sup>-1</sup> (broad, NH), 3060 (aromatic CH), 2850 (aliphatic CH), 2200 (CN), 1670, 1640 (2C=O), 1600, 1490 (aromatic C=C);MS (70 eV): M<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 477 (9.2%) and 447 (3.5%); Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>16</sub>ClN<sub>7</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S (477.93): C (55.29%), H (3.37%), Cl (7.42%), N (20.52%), S (6.71%); Found: C (55.1%), H (3.1%), Cl (7.3%), N (20.4%), S (6.6%).

5-*Amino-4'-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5'*, 7'-*dioxo-6'-phenyl-2'-thioxo-2*, 2', 3', 4, 4', 5', 6', 7'-*octahydro-1'H-spiro* [*pyrazole-3*, 8'-*pyrido*[4, 3-*d*]*pyrimidine*]-4-*carbonitrile* (**14b**): white crystals after crystallization from dil. dioxane; 42% yield (Method A) and 84% (Method B); m.p. 229–231 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 3.00 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 3.70 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.10 (s, 1H, pyrazole H-4), 5.10 (s, 1H, pyrimidine H-4), 6.2 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 7.20–7.50 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 9.4 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 12.50 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 39.5 (pyrazole C-4), 53.7 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 55.4 (pyrimidine C-4), 58.9 (spiro-C), 107.1 (CN), 112.7, 114.3, 126.9, 131.8, 132.7, 133.8, 134.6, 135.1, 137.3, 143.1, 154.3 (sp2 + aromatic C), 156.9, 160.7 (2CO), 178.0 (CS); IR v: 3350, 3220, 3180 cm<sup>-1</sup> (broad, NH), 3060 (aromatic CH), 2850 (aliphatic CH), 2200 (CN), 1670, 1640 (2C=O), 1600, 1490 (aromatic C=C); MS (70 eV): M<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 473 (10.8%); Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>7</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S (477.93): C (58.43%), H, 4.04; N, 20.71; S, 6.77; Found: C (58.3%), H (4.1%), N (20.5%), S (6.6%).

*4'-(4-Chlorophenyl)-5-hydroxy-5',7'-dioxo-6'-phenyl-2'-thioxo-2,2',3',4,4',5',6',7'-octahydro-1'H-spiro-[pyrazole-3,8'-pyrido[4,3-d]pyrimidine]-4-carbonitrile* (14c): white crystals after crystallization from absolute ethanol; 45% yield (Method A) and 89% (Method B); m.p. 258–260 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 3.40 (s, 1H, NH, D2O exchangeable), 4.50 (s, 1H, pyrazole H-4), 5.40 (s, 1H, pyrimidine H-4), 6.2 (s, 1H, NH, D2O exchangeable), 7.20–7.50 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 11.1 (s, 1H, OH, D2O exchangeable), 12.60 (s, 1H, NH, D2O exchangeable); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 41.1 (pyrazole C-4), 55.4 (pyrimidine C-4), 58.9 (spiro-C), 108.9 (CN), 110.3, 115.1, 126.9, 128.8, 130.1, 132.5, 134.6, 135.1, 137.3, 143.1, 154.3 (sp2 + aromatic C), 156.9, 160.7 (2CO), 178.0 (CS); IR v: 3400, 3270, 3180 cm<sup>-1</sup> (broad, NH + OH), 3060 (aromatic CH), 2850 (aliphatic CH), 2200 (CN), 1670, 1640 (2C=O), 1600, 1490 (aromatic C=C); MS (70 eV): M<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 478 (10.7%) and 480 (3.8%); Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>15</sub>CIN<sub>6</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S (478.91): C (55.17%), H (3.16%), Cl (7.40%), N (17.55%), S (6.70%); Found: C (55.0%), H (3.2%), Cl (7.3%), N (17.3%), S (6.6%).

5-*Hydroxy*-4'-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5',7'-dioxo-6'-phenyl-2'-thioxo-2,2',3',4,4',5',6',7'-octahydro-1'H-spiro [*pyrazole-3,8'-pyrido*[4,3-d]pyrimidine]-4-carbonitrile (14d): white crystals after crystallization from absolute ethanol; 44% yield (Method A) and 82% (Method B); m.p. 237–239 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 3.30 (s, 1H, NH, D2O exchangeable), 3.80 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.10 (s, 1H, pyrazole H-4), 5.10 (s, 1H, pyrimidine H-4), 6.2 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 7.20–7.50 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 10.8 (s, 1H, OH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable, 12.50 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 39.5 (pyrazole C-4), 53.8 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 55.4 (pyrimidine C-4), 58.9 (spiro-C), 108.9 (CN), 112.7, 124.8, 126.9, 128.8, 132.1, 133.3, 134.6, 135.1, 137.3, 144.6, 154.3 (sp2 + aromatic C), 156.9, 160.7 (2CO), 178.0 (CS); IR v: 3350, 3200, 3150 cm<sup>-1</sup> (broad, NH + OH), 3060 (aromatic CH), 2850 (aliphatic CH), 2200 (CN), 1670, 1640 (2C=O), 1600, 1490 (aromatic C=C); MS (70 eV): M<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 474 (12.0%); Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S (474.49): C (58.22%), H (3.82%), N (17.71%), S (6.76%); Found: C (58.1%), H (3.6%), N (17.5%), S (6.7%).

*6'-Amino-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5,7-dioxo-6-phenyl-2,2'-dithioxo-2,3,3',4,5,5',6,7-octahydro-1H,2'H-spiro [pyrido[4,3-d]pyrimidine-8,4'-pyrimidine]-5'-carbonitrile* (**15a**): white crystals after crystallization from dil. DMF; 47% yield (Method A) and 88% (Method B); m.p. 240–242 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 3.00 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 3.40 (s, 1H, spiro-pyrimidine H-4), 5.10 (s, 1H, pyrimidine H-4), 5.50 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 7.20–7.50 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 8.70 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 12.00 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 29.0 (spiro-pyrimidine C-5), 55.4 (pyrimidine C-4), 63.9 (spiro-C),

107.8 (CN), 114.3, 119.5, 126.9, 128.8, 132.7, 133.8, 134.6, 136.1, 138.1, 143.1, 154.3 (sp2 + aromatic C), 156.9, 160.7 (2CO), 178.0, 181.0 (2CS); IR v: 3350, 3220, 3180 cm<sup>-1</sup> (broad, NH), 3060 (aromatic CH), 2850 (aliphatic CH), 2200 (CN), 1670, 1640 (2C=O), 1600, 1490 (aromatic C=C);MS (70 eV): M<sup>+</sup> *m/z* 522 (10.0%) and 524 (3.8%); Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>16</sub>ClN<sub>7</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub> (522.00): C (52.92%), H (3.09%), Cl (6.79%), N (18.78%), S (12.29%); Found: C (52.8%), H (3.2%), Cl (6.8%), N (18.9%), S (12.1%).

6'-*Amino-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5,7-dioxo-6-phenyl-2,2'-dithioxo-2,3,3',4,5,5',6,7-octahydro-1H,2'H-spiro* [*pyrido*[4,3-d]*pyrimidine-8,4'-pyrimidine*]-5'-carbonitrile (**15b**): white crystals after crystallization from dil. DMF; 43% yield (Method A) and 87% (Method B); m.p. 226–228 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 2.80 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 3.50 (s, 1H, spiro-pyrimidine H-4), 3.80 (s, 1H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.00 (s, 1H, pyrimidine H-4), 5.50 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 6.80–7.50 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 8.50 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 12.20 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 27.8 (spiro-pyrimidine C-5), 52.6 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 55.7 (pyrimidine C-4), 64.2 (spiro-C), 107.8 (CN), 112.5, 116.2, 125.2, 127.0, 128.4, 129.8, 131.6, 136.1, 138.1, 139.0, 154.2 (sp2 + aromatic C), 156.9, 160.7 (2CO), 178.0, 181.0 (2CS); IR v: 3350, 3200, 3160 cm<sup>-1</sup> (broad, NH), 3080 (aromatic CH), 2850 (aliphatic CH), 2200 (CN), 1670, 1640 (2C=O), 1600, 1500 (aromatic C=C); MS (70 eV): M<sup>+</sup> *m*/z 517 (11.3%); Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>7</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub> (517.58): C (55.69%), H (3.70%), N (18.94%), S (12.39%); Found: C (55.6%), H (3.5%), N (18.9%), S (12.1%).

4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-6'-hydroxy-5,7-dioxo-6-phenyl-2,2'-dithioxo-2,3,3',4,5,5',6,7-octahydro-1H,2'H-spiro [pyrido[4,3-d]pyrimidine-8,4'-pyrimidine]-5'-carbonitrile (**15c**): white crystals after crystallization from dioxane; 51% yield (Method A) and 90% (Method B); m.p. 255–257 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 3.20 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 3.50 (s, 1H, spiro-pyrimidine H-4), 5.10 (s, 1H, pyrimidine H-4), 5.80 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 7.20–7.50 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 11.10 (s, 1H, OH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 12.40 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 29.0 (spiro-pyrimidine C-5), 55.4 (pyrimidine C-4), 63.9 (spiro-C), 107.8 (CN), 113.9, 119.8, 127.2, 128.8, 132.4, 133.8, 134.5, 136.5, 138.6, 152.1, 155.3 (sp2 + aromatic C), 158.9, 162.7 (2CO), 178.0, 180.5 (2CS); IR v: 3350, 3220, 3180 cm<sup>-1</sup> (broad, NH), 3050 (aromatic CH), 2850 (aliphatic CH), 2200 (CN), 1670, 1640 (2C=O), 1600, 1490 (aromatic C=C); MS (70 eV): M<sup>+</sup> m/z 522 (14.0%) and 524 (4.7%); Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>15</sub>ClN<sub>6</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub> (522.99): C (52.82%), H (2.89%), Cl (6.78%), N (16.07%), S (12.26%); Found: C (52.6%), H (2.9%), Cl (6.6%), N (15.9%), S (12.1%).

6'-Hydroxy-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5,7-dioxo-6-phenyl-2,2'-dithioxo-2,3,3',4,5,5',6,7-octahydro-1H,2'H-spiro[pyrido[4,3-d]pyrimidine-8,4'-pyrimidine]-5'-carbonitrile (**15d**): white crystals after crystallization from dioxane; 47% yield (Method A) and 91% (Method B); m.p. 238–240 °C; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR: 2.90 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 3.60 (s, 1H, spiro-pyrimidine H-4), 3.90 (s, 1H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 5.00 (s, 1H, pyrimidine H-4), 5.50 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 6.80–7.50 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 10.80 (s, 1H, OH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 12.10 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: 27.2 (spiro-pyrimidine C-5), 54.4 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 57.1 (pyrimidine C-4), 64.0 (spiro-C), 108.4 (CN), 116.5, 119.6, 125.0, 127.4, 128.8, 130.3, 132.6, 136.1, 138.1, 139.0, 153.1 (sp2 + aromatic C), 158.9, 160.7 (2CO), 178.0, 181.3 (2CS); IR v: 3350, 3200, 3160 cm<sup>-1</sup> (broad, NH), 3080 (aromatic CH), 2850 (aliphatic CH), 2200 (CN), 1670, 1640 (2C=O), 1600, 1500 (aromatic C=C);MS (70 eV): M<sup>+</sup> *m*/z 518 (14.0%), 516 (5.1%); Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S<sub>2</sub> (518.57): C (55.59%), H (3.50%), N (16.21%), S (12.37%); Found: C (55.4%), H (3.4%), N (16.3%), S (12.3%).

#### 3.2. Antimicrobial Screening

The newly synthesized heterocyclic compounds were tested for their antimicrobial activity against the following microorganisms: (a) Gram-negative: *Escherichia coli* and *Pseudomonas putide*; (b) Gram-positive: *Bacillus subtilis* and *Streptococcus lactis*; (c) Fungi: *Aspergillus niger* and *Penicillium* sp.; (d) Yeast: *Candida albicans. Media:* Three types of specific media were used in this study:

*Medium 1*: Nutrient Medium for bacteria, consisting of (g/L distilled water): peptone, 5 and meat extract, 3. pH was adjusted to 7.0.

*Medium 2*: Potato Dextrose Medium for fungi, consisting of (g/L distilled water): Infusion from potatoes, 4 and D(+)glucose, 20. pH was adjusted to 5.5.

*Medium 3*: Universal Medium for yeast, consisting of (g/L distilled water): yeast extract, 3; malt extract, 3; peptone, 5 and glucose, 10. pH was adjusted to 5.5.

For solid media, 2% agar was added. All media were sterilized at 121 °C for 20 min.

#### 3.3. Procedure (Filter Paper Diffusion Method) [27]

Proper concentrations of microbial suspensions were prepared from 1 (for bacteria) to 3 (for yeast and fungi)-day-old liquid stock cultures incubated on a rotary shaker (100 rpm). In the case of fungi, five sterile glass beads were added to each culture flask. The mycelia were then subdivided by mechanical stirring at speed No. 1 for 30 min. Turbidity of microorganisms was adjusted with a spectrophotometer at 350 nm to give an optical density of 1.0. Appropriate agar plates were aseptically surface inoculated uniformly by a standard volume (ca. 1 mL) of the microbial broth culture of the tested microorganism, namely E. coli, P. putida, B. subtilis, S. lactis, A. niger, Penicillium sp. and C. albicans. Whatman No. 3 filter paper discs of 10 mm diameter were sterilized by autoclaving for 15 min at 121 °C. Test compounds were dissolved in 80% ethyl alcohol to give final concentration of 5 µg/mL. The sterile discs were impregnated with the test compounds (5 µg/disc). After the impregnated discs have been air dried, they were placed on the agar surface previously seeded with the organism to be tested. Discs were gently pressed with forceps to insure thorough contact with the media. Three discs were arranged per dish, suitably spaced apart, *i.e.*, the discs should be separated by a distance that is equal to or slightly greater than the sum of the diameters of inhibition produced by each disc alone. Each test compound was conducted in triplicate. Plates were kept in the refrigerator at 5 °C for 1 h to permit good diffusion before transferring them to an incubator at 37 °C for 24 h for bacteria and at 30 °C for 72 h for yeast and fungi.

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