

## Synthesis of substituted and unsubstituted 5-(1,3-diaryl-1-oxopropyl)pyrimidine (1*H*, 3*H*, 5*H*)-2,4,6-triones

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Reactions of 1,3-diaryl-2-propene-1-ones **2a-i** give the corresponding 5-(1,3-diaryl-1-oxopropyl)pyrimidine-(1*H*,3*H*,5*H*)-2,4,6-triones **3a-i** with barbituric acid **1** under refluxing condition without using any catalyst.

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A number of barbituric acid derivatives- 5-(1,3-diaryl-1-oxopropyl)pyrimidine(1*H*,3*H*,5*H*)-2,4,6-triones **3a-i** were synthesized and characterized. These compounds seem to be new in literature.

The formation of compounds **3a-i** may be explained by applying a general addition reaction of Michael type (**Scheme I**). These were formed during the synthesis of 1:2 adducts (2 being arylideneacetophenone) which may undergo subsequent intramolecular Aldol condensation leading to the formation of spiro structures<sup>5</sup>. In continuation of the work<sup>5-7</sup> on barbituric acid derivatives, herein is reported the synthesis of compounds **3a-i** in the present paper.

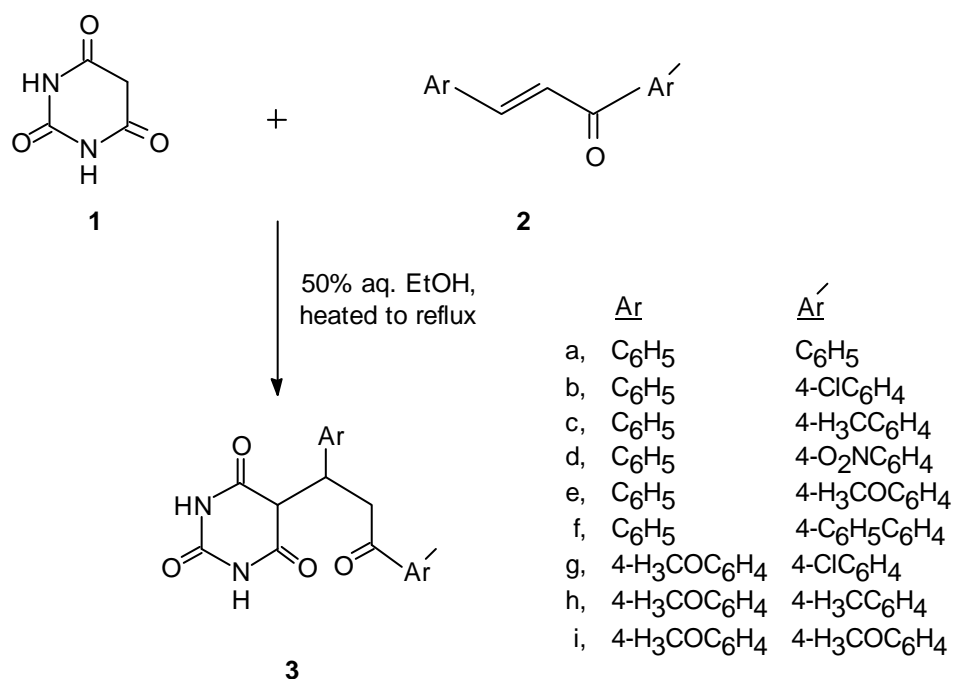
Compound **1** reacted with 1,3-diphenyl-2-propene-1-one **2a** to give a yellowish crystalline solid at refluxing temperature in 50% aqueous ethanol. Its mass spectrum gave a peak at *m/z* 336 (*M*<sup>+</sup>). The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound **3a** showed besides other usual signals, two singlets at  $\delta$  11.08 (NH, 1H, H-1) and 11.03 (NH, 1H, H-3), one multiplet at  $\delta$  4.17 (1H, H-7), one doublet at  $\delta$  3.81 (*J*<sub>1</sub>=4.0 Hz, 1H, H-5), two doublet of doublet at  $\delta$  4.04 (*J*<sub>1</sub>=8.5 Hz, *J*<sub>2</sub>=18.0 Hz, 1H, H-8) and  $\delta$  3.62 (*J*<sub>1</sub>=6.5 Hz, *J*<sub>2</sub>=18.5 Hz, 1H, H-8) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR showed signals at  $\delta$  197.0 (C-9), 169.94 (C-4), 169.57 (C-6), 150.23 (C-2), 51.65 (C-5), 41.54

(C-7), 40.62 (C-8), on the basis of which it was assigned the structure 5-(1,3-diphenyl-1-oxopropyl)pyrimidine(1*H*,3*H*,5*H*)-2,4,6-triones **3a**. Similarly **1** on condensation with other arylideneacetophenones **2b-i** afforded the adducts **3b-i** (**Scheme I**). The structures of all these compounds were assigned on the basis of their spectral data and elemental analysis.

### Experimental Section

Melting points are uncorrected. IR spectra were recorded as KBr pellets using Shimadzu IR-470 infrared spectrometer in the range of 4000-400 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were recorded in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> on a JEOL 500 MHz NMR spectrometer using TMS as internal standard (chemical shifts in  $\delta$ , ppm). <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> at 125 MHz and MS on a JEOL JMS-HX 110A spectrometer. All the compounds gave satisfactory C, H and N analyses.

1,3-Diphenyl-2-propen-1-one<sup>1</sup> **2a**, 1-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-phenyl-2-propen-1-one<sup>2</sup> **2b**, 1-(4-methylphenyl)-3-phenyl-2-propen-1-one<sup>2</sup> **2c**, 1-(4-nitrophenyl)-3-phenyl-2-propen-1-one<sup>3</sup> **2d**, 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-phenyl-2-propen-1-one<sup>3</sup> **2e**, 1-(4-phenylphenyl)-3-phenyl-2-propen-1-one **2f**, 1-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-propen-1-one<sup>4</sup> **2g**, 1-(4-methylphenyl)-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-propen-1-one<sup>2</sup> **2h** and



Scheme I

1,3-(4-dimethoxyphenyl)-2-propene-1-one<sup>2</sup> **2i** were prepared by following primarily literature methods<sup>1</sup> and by changing the reaction conditions whenever necessary. The reactions described in the present paper were carried out following a general procedure.

**General Procedure.** A mixture of barbituric acid (0.005 mole) and arylideneacetophenone (0.005 mole) was dissolved in 50% aqueous ethanol in a round bottomed flask equipped with a magnetic stirrer and a reflux condenser. The reaction mixture was refluxed for 18-20 h and was cooled and filtered. A solid mass obtained was purified by recrystallisation from rectified spirit. The progress of reaction and the formation of the products were monitored by TLC (eluting solvents, ethyl acetate: methanol, 10:1).

**5-(1,3-Diphenyl-1-oxopropyl)pyrimidine (1H, 3H, 5H)-2,4,6-trione, 3a:** Yellowish white solid. Yield 39%; m.p. 185–87°C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.18; UV-Vis: 272 (π→π\* of C=O), 242, 209 (π→π\* of C=C); IR (KBr): 3220, 3100 (OH, NH), 1760, 1700, 1680 (C=O), 1590, 1575, 1530 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=C, C=N); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 11.08 (s, 1H, NH, H-1)<sup>†</sup>, 11.03 (s, 1H, NH, H-3)<sup>†</sup>, 7.98-7.16 (m, 10H, aromatic), 4.17 (m, 1H, H-7), 4.04 (dd, J<sub>vic</sub>=8.5, J<sub>gem</sub>=18.0, 1H, H-8), 3.81 (d, J=4.0, 1H, H-5), 3.62 (dd, J<sub>vic</sub>=6.5, J<sub>gem</sub>=18.5, 1H, H-8); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 197.0 (C-9), 169.94

(C-4)<sup>‡</sup>, 169.59 (C-6)<sup>‡</sup>, 150.23 (C-2), [139.38, 136.46, 133.10, 128.56, 128.20, 127.67, 127.12 (aromatic)], 51.65 (C-5), 41.54 (C-7), 40.62 (C-8); MS: m/z 336 (M<sup>+</sup>), 231, 216, 208, 132, 128, 120, 105 (100%), 103, 102. Anal. Found: C, 67.95; H, 4.79; N, 8.29. Calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C, 67.88; H, 4.76; N, 8.32%.

**5-{1-(4-Chlorophenyl)-3-phenyl-1-oxopropyl}-pyrimidine (1H, 3H, 5H)-2,4,6-trione, 3b:** White solid. Yield 27%; m.p. 200-02°C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.26; UV-Vis: 252 (π→π\* of C=O), 210 (π→π\* of C=C); IR (KBr): 3275, 3200 (OH, NH), 1730, 1690, 1670 (C=O), 1635, 1585, 1570, 1518 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=C, C=N); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 11.07 (s, 1H, NH, H-1)<sup>†</sup>, 11.02 (s, 1H, NH, H-3)<sup>†</sup>, 8.0 (d, J=9.0, 2H, H-2'', 6''), 7.59 (d, J=9.0, 2H, H-2', 6'), 7.25 (m, 3H, H-3', 4', 5'), 7.16 (d, J=7.0, 2H, H-3', 5'), 4.15 (m, 1H, H-7), 4.03 (dd, J<sub>vic</sub>=8.5, J<sub>gem</sub>=18.5, 1H, H-8), 3.80 (d, J=3.5, 1H, H-5), 3.60 (dd, J<sub>vic</sub>=6.5, J<sub>gem</sub>=18.5, 1H, H-8); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 197.50 (C-9), 169.89 (C-4)<sup>‡</sup>, 169.54 (C-6)<sup>‡</sup>, 150.21 (C-2), [139.26, 138.02, 135.10, 129.80, 129.55, 128.81, 127.65, 127.15 (aromatic)], 51.57 (C-5), 41.47 (C-7), 40.64 (C-8); MS: m/z 370 (M<sup>+</sup>), 231, 216, 242, 166, 154, 139 (100%), 128, 111, 103, 102. Anal. Found: C, 61.33; H, 4.01; N, 7.44. Calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Cl: C, 61.54; H, 4.07; N, 7.55%.

**5-{1-(4-Methylphenyl)-3-phenyl-1-oxopropyl}-pyrimidine (1H, 3H, 5H)-2,4,6-trione, 3c:** White solid. Yield 10%; m.p. 180-82°C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.45; UV-Vis:

<sup>†</sup> δ values for protons H-1 and H-3 are exchangeable

<sup>‡</sup> δ values for carbons C-4 and C-6 are exchangeable

255 ( $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$  of C=O), 225, 209 ( $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$  of C=C); IR (KBr): 3400, 3200 (OH, NH), 1720, 1700, 1670 (C=O), 1520  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C=C, C=N);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  11.07 (s, 1H, NH, H-1) $^\dagger$ , 11.02 (s, 1H, NH, H-3) $^\dagger$ , 7.90-7.02 (m, 9H, aromatic), 4.16 (m, 1H, H-7), 4.00 (dd,  $J_{\text{vic}}=8.42$ ,  $J_{\text{gem}}=18.18$ , 1H, H-8), 3.80 (d,  $J=3.64$ , 1H, H-5), 3.58 (dd,  $J_{\text{vic}}=6.48$ ,  $J_{\text{gem}}=18.16$ , 1H, H-8), 2.38 (s, 3H, Ar'-CH $_3$ );  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  197.75 (C-9), 170.16 (C-4) $^\ddagger$ , 169.79 (C-6) $^\ddagger$ , 150.42 (C-2), [143.64, 139.61, 134.12, 129.24, 127.25 (aromatic)], 51.72 (C-5), 41.61 (C-7), 40.45 (C-8), 21.10 (Ar'-CH $_3$ ); MS:  $m/z$  350 ( $M^+$ ), 231, 216, 222, 146, 134, 128, 119 (100%), 103, 102. Anal. Found: C, 68.34; H, 5.07; N, 7.83. Calcd. for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ : C, 68.56; H, 5.18; N, 7.99%.

**5-{1-(4-Nitrophenyl)-3-phenyl-1-oxopropyl}pyrimidine (1H, 3H, 5H)-2,4,6-trione, 3d:** White solid. Yield 38%; m.p. 210-12°C;  $R_f$  0.45; UV-Vis: 303 ( $n \rightarrow \pi^*$  of C=O), 266 ( $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$  of C=O), 206 ( $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$  of C=C); IR (KBr): 3440, 3240 (OH, NH), 1755, 1740, 1705, 1680 (C=O), 1595, 1520  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C=C, C=N);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  11.10 (s, 1H, NH, H-1) $^\dagger$ , 11.04 (s, 1H, NH, H-3) $^\dagger$ , 8.34 (d,  $J=8.5$ , 2H, H-2'', 6''), 8.21 (d,  $J=8.0$ , 2H, H-2', 6'), 7.28 (t, 3H, H-3'', 5''), 7.23 (t,  $J=7.25$ , 2H, H-4'), 7.16 (d,  $J=8.5$ , 2H, H-3', 5'), 4.17 (m, 1H, H-7), 4.12 (dd,  $J_{\text{vic}}=8.5$ ,  $J_{\text{gem}}=18.5$ , 1H, H-8), 3.82 (d,  $J=2.5$ , 1H, H-5), 3.70 (dd,  $J_{\text{vic}}=5.25$ ,  $J_{\text{gem}}=17.25$ , 1H, H-8);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  197.65 (C-9), 170.09 (C-4) $^\ddagger$ , 169.77 (C-6) $^\ddagger$ , 150.42 (C-2), [149.98, 141.17, 139.26, 129.32, 128.89, 128.40, 127.83, 127.38 (aromatic)], 51.50 (C-5), 41.38 (C-7), 40.0 (C-8); MS:  $m/z$  381 ( $M^+$ ), 363, 231, 216, 253, 177, 165, 150, 128, 122, 103 (100%), 102. Anal. Found: C, 59.77; H, 3.93; N, 11.02. Calcd. for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_3\text{O}_6$ : C, 59.84; H, 3.96; N, 11.01%.

**5-{1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-3-phenyl-1-oxopropyl}pyrimidine (1H, 3H, 5H)-2,4,6-trione, 3e:** White solid. Yield 71%; m.p. 130-32°C;  $R_f$  0.19; UV-Vis: 268 ( $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$  of C=O), 207 ( $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$  of C=C); IR (KBr): 3440, 3200 (OH, NH), 1730, 1700, 1670 (C=O), 1595, 1570, 1502  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C=C, C=N);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  11.49 (s, 1H, NH, H-1) $^\dagger$ , 11.45 (s, 1H, NH, H-3) $^\dagger$ , 8.38 (d,  $J=9.00$ , 2H, H-2'', H-6''), 7.68 (m,  $J=7.00$ , 3H, H-3', H-4', H-5'), 7.64 (d,  $J=7.00$ , 2H, H-2' and H-6'), 7.57 (d,  $J=8.50$ , 2H, H-3'', 5''), 4.57 (m, 1H, H-7), 4.38 (dd,  $J_{\text{vic}}=8.5$ ,  $J_{\text{gem}}=17.5$ , 1H, H-8), 4.21 (d,  $J=4.0$ , 1H, H-5), 3.95 (dd,  $J_{\text{vic}}=6.25$ ,  $J_{\text{gem}}=18.25$ , 1H, H-8), 4.24 (s, 3H, Ar'-OCH $_3$ );  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  197.33 (C-9), 170.99 (C-4) $^\ddagger$ , 170.59 (C-6) $^\ddagger$ , 151.22 (C-2), [163.93, 140.41, 130.94,

130.31, 129.10, 128.56, 128.00, 114.63 (aromatic)], 52.49 (C-5), 42.47 (C-7), 40.87 (C-8), 56.25 (Ar'-OCH $_3$ ); MS:  $m/z$  366 ( $M^+$ ), 348, 231, 216, 238, 135 (100%), 150, 128, 107, 103, 102. Anal. Found: C, 64.99; H, 4.76; N, 7.87. Calcd. for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}_5$ : C, 65.56; H, 4.95; N, 7.64%.

**5-{1-(4-Phenylphenyl)-3-phenyl-1-oxopropyl}pyrimidine (1H, 3H, 5H)-2,4,6-trione, 3f:** Light brownish solid. Yield 7%; m.p. 201-02°C;  $R_f$  0.27; UV-Vis: 270 ( $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$  of C=O), 207 ( $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$  of C=C); IR (KBr): 3450, 3230 (OH, NH), 1740, 1710, 1670 (C=O), 1590, 1550  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C=C, C=N);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  11.14 (s, 1H, NH, H-1) $^\dagger$ , 11.07 (s, 1H, NH, H-3) $^\dagger$ , 8.09-7.25 (m, 14H, aromatic), 4.36 (m, 1H, H-7), 4.16 (dd,  $J_{\text{vic}}=9.0$ ,  $J_{\text{gem}}=18.5$ , 1H, H-8), 3.83 (d,  $J=3.5$ , 1H, H-5), 3.61 (dd,  $J_{\text{vic}}=5.5$ ,  $J_{\text{gem}}=17.5$ , 1H, H-8);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  197.50 (C-9), 169.50 (C-4) $^\ddagger$ , 169.37 (C-6) $^\ddagger$ , 150.0 (C-2), [128.58, 128.23, 127.88, 127.65, 126.68 (aromatic)], 51.28 (C-5), 41.67 (C-7), 40.15 (C-8); MS:  $m/z$  412 ( $M^+$ ), 413 (100%), 414, 230, 216, 284, 208, 196, 181, 153, 128, 103, 102, 91, 77, 65, 43. Anal. Found: C, 72.55; H, 7.92; N, 6.65. Calcd. for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ : C, 72.50; H, 4.89; N, 6.79%.

**5-{1-(4-Chlorophenyl)-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-oxopropyl}pyrimidine (1H, 3H, 5H)-2,4,6-trione, 3g:** Pink white solid. Yield 38%; m.p. 248-50°C;  $R_f$  0.25; UV-Vis: 253 ( $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$  of C=O), 210 ( $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$  of C=C); IR (KBr): 3450, 3220 (OH, NH), 1740, 1700, 1690 (C=O), 1600, 1580, 1505  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C=C, C=N);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  11.06 (s, 1H, NH, H-1) $^\dagger$ , 11.02 (s, 1H, NH, H-3) $^\dagger$ , 8.0 (d,  $J=8.5$ , 2H, H-2'', 6''), 7.60 (d,  $J=8.5$ , 2H, H-2', 6'), 7.06 (d,  $J=9.0$ , 2H, H-3', 5'), 6.82 (d,  $J=8.5$ , 2H, H-3'', 5''), 4.11 (m, 1H, H-7), 4.00 (dd,  $J_{\text{vic}}=8.25$ ,  $J_{\text{gem}}=18.25$ , 1H, H-8), 3.75 (d,  $J=3.5$ , 1H, H-5), 3.56 (dd,  $J_{\text{vic}}=6.5$ ,  $J_{\text{gem}}=18.0$ , 1H, H-8), 3.70 (s, 3H, Ar'-OCH $_3$ );  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  197.35 (C-9), 170.21 (C-4) $^\ddagger$ , 169.80 (C-6) $^\ddagger$ , 150.44 (C-2), [158.32, 138.15, 135.31, 131.10, 129.77, 128.83, 113.68 (aromatic)], 51.75 (C-5), 41.75 (C-7), 40.92 (C-8), 54.94 (Ar'-OCH $_3$ ); MS:  $m/z$  400 ( $M^+$ ), 401, 402, 261, 246, 272, 166, 154, 139 (100%), 134, 132, 128, 111, 107, 103, 91, 65, 43. Anal. Found: C, 59.79; H, 4.22; N, 7.01. Calcd. for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_2\text{O}_5\text{Cl}$ : C, 59.93; H, 4.27; N, 6.99%.

**5-{1-(4-Methylphenyl)-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-oxopropyl}pyrimidine (1H, 3H, 5H)-2,4,6-trione, 3h:** Yellow solid. Yield 6%; m.p. 261-63°C;  $R_f$  0.28; UV-Vis: 257 ( $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$  of C=O), 209 ( $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$  of C=C);

IR (KBr): 3450, 3200 (OH, NH), 1750, 1700 (C=O), 1640, 1600, 1590, 1510  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  ( $\text{C}=\text{C}$ ,  $\text{C}=\text{N}$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  11.05 (s, 1H, NH, H-1) $^\ddagger$ , 11.01 (s, 1H, NH, H-3) $^\ddagger$ , 7.88 (d,  $J=8.0$ , 2H, H-2'', 6''), 7.34 (d,  $J=8.0$ , 2H, H-2', 6'), 7.07 (d,  $J=8.5$ , 2H, H-3', 5'), 6.83 (d,  $J=9.0$ , 2H, H-3'', 5''), 4.12 (m, 1H, H-7), 3.96 (dd,  $J_{\text{vic}}=8.0$ ,  $J_{\text{gem}}=18.0$ , 1H, H-8), 3.75 (d,  $J=4.0$ , 1H, H-5), 3.54 (dd,  $J_{\text{vic}}=6.75$ ,  $J_{\text{gem}}=18.0$ , 1H, H-8), 3.70 (s, 3H, Ar-OCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.38 (s, 3H, Ar'-CH<sub>3</sub>);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  197.75 (C-9), 170.27 (C-4) $^\ddagger$ , 169.83 (C-6) $^\ddagger$ , 150.46 (C-2), [158.29, 143.60, 134.21, 131.21, 127.93, 113.67 (aromatic)], 51.87 (C-5), 41.06 (C-7), 40.72 (C-8), 54.93 (Ar-OCH<sub>3</sub>), 21.09 (Ar'-CH<sub>3</sub>); MS:  $m/z$  380 ( $\text{M}^+$ ), 381, 382, 261, 253, 252, 247, 246, 134, 132, 128, 119 (100%), 107, 103, 91, 65. Anal. Found: C, 66.26; H, 5.34; N, 7.34. Calcd. for  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_5$ : C, 66.31; H, 5.30; N, 7.36%.

**5-{1,3-Di(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-oxopropyl}pyrimidine (1H, 3H, 5H)-2,4,6-trione, 3i:** Light orange solid. Yield 37%; m.p. 296-98°C;  $R_f$  0.38; UV-Vis: 346 ( $n \rightarrow \pi^*$  of C=O), 268 ( $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$  of C=O), 220, 207 ( $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$  of C=C); IR (KBr): 3440, 3200 (OH, NH), 1740, 1700, 1670 (C=O), 1600, 1560, 1510  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C=C, C=N);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  11.05 (s, 1H, NH, H-1) $^\ddagger$ , 11.01 (s, 1H, NH, H-3) $^\ddagger$ , 7.96 (d,  $J=9.0$ , 2H, H-2'', 6''), 7.07 (d,  $J=8.5$ , 2H, H-2', 6'), 7.05 (d,  $J=8.5$ , 2H, H-3', 5'), 6.83 (d,  $J=9.0$ , 2H, H-3'', 5''), 4.12 (m, 1H, H-7), 3.94 (dd,  $J_{\text{vic}}=8.5$ ,  $J_{\text{gem}}=18.0$ , 1H, H-8), 3.75 (d,  $J=4.0$ , 1H, H-5), 3.50 (dd,  $J_{\text{vic}}=6.75$ ,  $J_{\text{gem}}=17.75$ , 1H, H-8), 3.70 (s, 3H, Ar-OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.84 (s,

3H, Ar'-OCH<sub>3</sub>);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  196.59 (C-9), 170.30 (C-4) $^\ddagger$ , 169.85 (C-6) $^\ddagger$ , 150.47 (C-2), [163.16, 158.27, 131.36, 113.88, 113.67 (aromatic)], 51.92 (C-5), 41.18 (C-7), 40.42 (C-8), 54.94 (Ar-OCH<sub>3</sub>), 55.51 (Ar'-OCH<sub>3</sub>); MS:  $m/z$  396 ( $\text{M}^+$ ), 397, 398, 261, 247, 268, 162, 150, 135 (100%), 134, 128, 107, 103, 91, 77. Anal. Found: C, 63.59; H, 5.13; N, 6.96. Calcd. for  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_6$ : C, 63.63; H, 5.09; N, 7.06%.

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