



Synthesis and Biological Activities of some Pyrimidine derivatives: (A-Review)

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ABSTRACT

Nitrogen containing synthetically and biologically important heterocyclic ring system namely pyrimidine possess both biological and pharmacological activities and defend as aromatic six heterocyclic with 1 and 3 nitrogen atom in ring. Preparation of pyrimidine via different methods offer its importance in fields of medicinal chemistry and Chemistry. Pyrimidines and their derivatives act as anti-inflammatory, anti-malaria, anti-tumor, cardiovascular agents, anti-neoplastic, anti-tubercular, anti-HIV, diuretic, anti-viral, anti-microbial, analgesic. This review give light up on biological and pharmacological activities of pyrimidine nucleus.

Keywords: Antioxidant, Antibacterial, Antifungal, Antiviral, Pyrimidine derivatives.**INTRODUCTION**

Because of its different intrinsic biological properties Pyrimidine it become attractive for researcher in medicinal chemistry field¹, pyrimidines are used as Mycobacterium tuberculosis², antioxidants³, antidiabetics⁴. Heterocycles which contain pyrimidopyrimidine have therapeutic properties ant allergic⁵, antioxidant^{6,7}, antiviral⁸, antihistaminic⁹, cytostatic, immunomodulating¹⁰⁻¹² herbicidal¹³, anticonvulsant¹⁴ activities. pyrimidines exhibit antimicrobial activities such as fungicidal¹⁵, antitoxoplasma¹⁶, antimarial^{17,18}, antibacterial^{19,20}, antifilarial²¹ antileishmanial^{22,23}, pyrimidine

(Fig. 1) broxuridine (I)-antiviral and brodimoprim (II)-respiratory tract and ear infections, trimethoprin (III)-antibacterial, antifungal flucytosine (IV),-liver disorder by orotic acid (V)²⁴.

Pyrimidine nucleus act as antimicrobial agent²⁵ so they are important chemicals in agricultural and drugs.

Pyrimidines comprise important interesting group of antibacterial drugs, which have made a major impact on the field of antibacterial chemotherapy particularly in the past few years. Pyrimidine nucleus act as chemotherapeutic agents and exhibit anticancer activities²⁶.

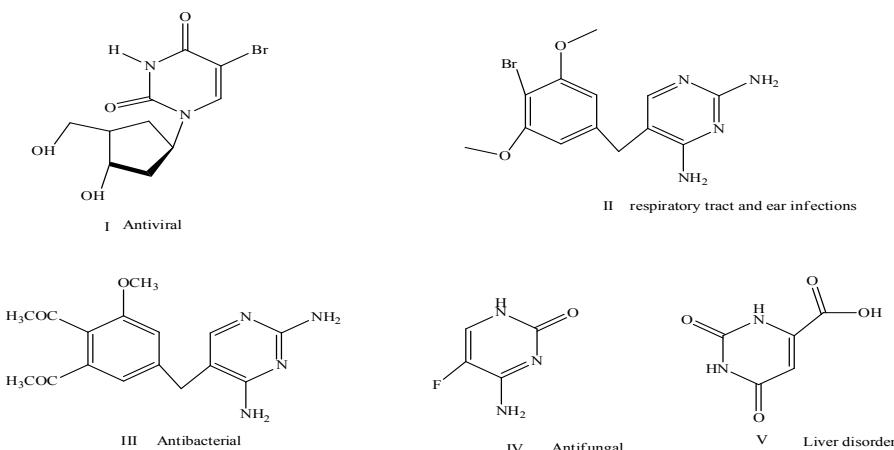
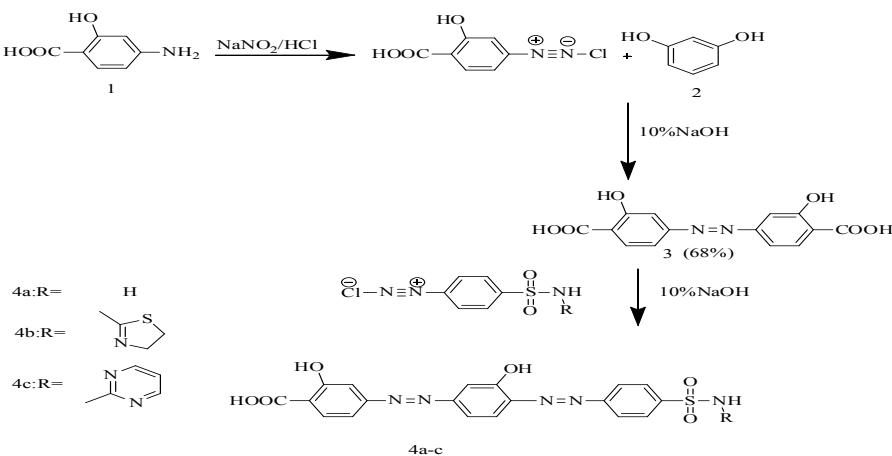


Fig. 1. Pyrimidine compounds that show pharmacological activity

Synthesis and biological activities of pyrimidine derivatives

Reaction of diazonium salt (**1**) and (**2**) in solution of NaOH yield the corresponding (**3**) which react with sulphonamide derivatives diazonium salt give compound (**4 a-c**) (Scheme 1)²⁷, compounds (**4b**) and (**4c**) exhibit good results against anticancer and antifungal efficacies,

Gram-negative and gram positive respectively also both pyrimidine derivatives azo dyes and thiazolyl azo dyes derivatives displayed good properties on polyester fabrics, but thiazolyl azo dyes derivatives exhibit good properties than pyrimidine derivatives azo dyes²⁷. Sulphonamide-diazobenzene derivatives exhibit pharmacological activities so it used as nontextile²⁷.

Scheme 1: Synthesis of diazobenzene dyes (**4a-c**), **4a** (81%), **4b** (77%), **4c** (79%).

Treatment paracetamol(**5**) with 2,3-di chlorobenzaldehyde(**6**) in solution of KOH at 298k afford chalcones(**7**). Reaction of chalcones (**7**) with urea and potassium hydroxide in methyl alcohol yield the corresponding(**8**) Also treatment of chalcone(**7**) with Thiourea and KOH in methyl alcohol give compound(**9**), treatment of chalcone (**7**) and hydrazine monohydrate in AcOH provide the corresponding(**10**), the product recrystallized with ethanol²⁸.

Reaction of triazole(**11**) with (**12 a**) by using different solvent such as methanol/HCl, ethanol, acetic acid, there is no reaction but the reaction of

mixture in DMF using reflux and heat in presence of potassium carbonate anhydrous provide triazolo pyrimidine(**15a**) or (**18a**).

The confirmation of (**18a**) was performed via reaction of (**19**) and malononitrile at the same condition provide the same sample of (**18a**). Treatment of triazole(**11**) with (**12b**) provide triazolo pyrimidine (**18b**). Also, mixing of (**11**) with (**12c**) give amino derivatives (**18c**). Another method for the preparation of (**18b, c**) is the reaction of benzyl cyanide and cyanoacetate with (**19**), compound (**18d**) was synthesized by reaction of (**12**) with

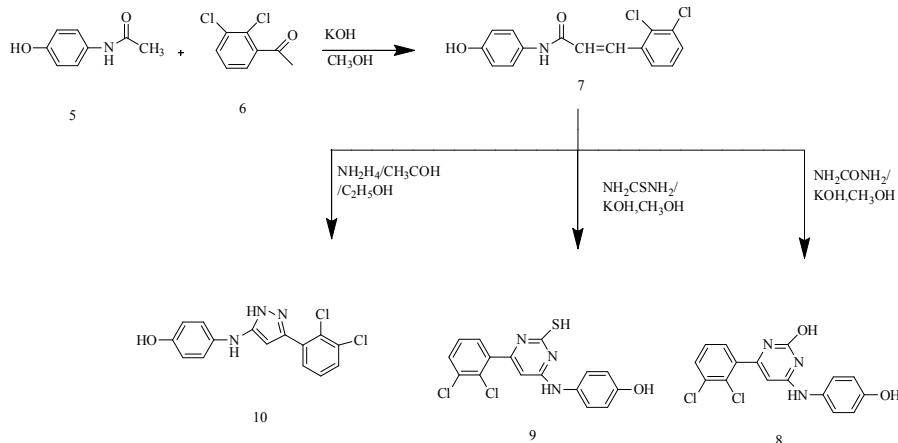
triazole (**11**). While reaction of (**12e**) with triazole (**11**) provide unsubstituted triazolo pyrimidine (**18e**). Triazolo pyrimidine (**22**) was synthesized via reaction of compound (**20**) with triazole (**11**), the reaction proceed by reflux in presence $\text{DMF}/\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3$ via cyclization of (**21**).

Refluxing of compound (**22**) with substituted 1, 4-benzoquinone and acetonitrile (**3eq.**) via refluxing provide triazolopyrimidine (**23**) (Scheme 3). Cyclocondensation of β -enaminones (**24a-c**) with **11** and acetic acid via reflux give substituted pyrimidines, when equimolecular amount from

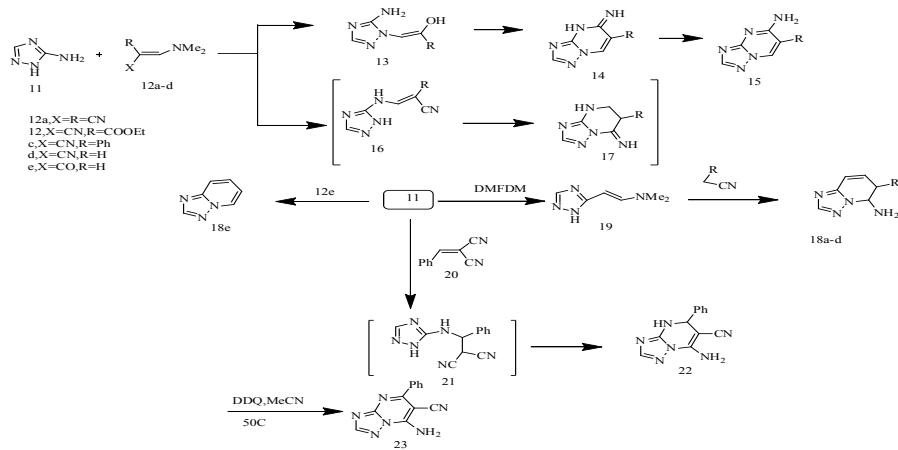
compound (**11**) react with β -enaminones (**24a**) in presence of $\text{DMF}/\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3$ via refluxing for 2 h to provide isolated compounds (**25a**) and (**26**) in equal ratio^{29,30}.

Compounds (**25b,c**) were prepared via treatment of (**24b, c**) with compound **11** (cf. Scheme 4).

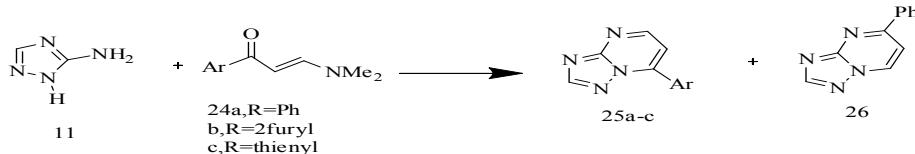
Pyrimidine derivatives (**30a-n**) (Table 1)³¹ were prepared via treatment of three component (**27**), (**28**), (**29**) in ethanol.



Scheme 2: Synthesis of pyrimidine (8) and (9)



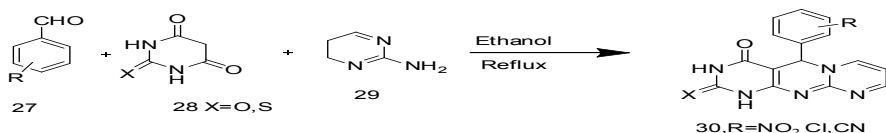
Scheme 3: Synthesis of pyrimidine 22 and 23



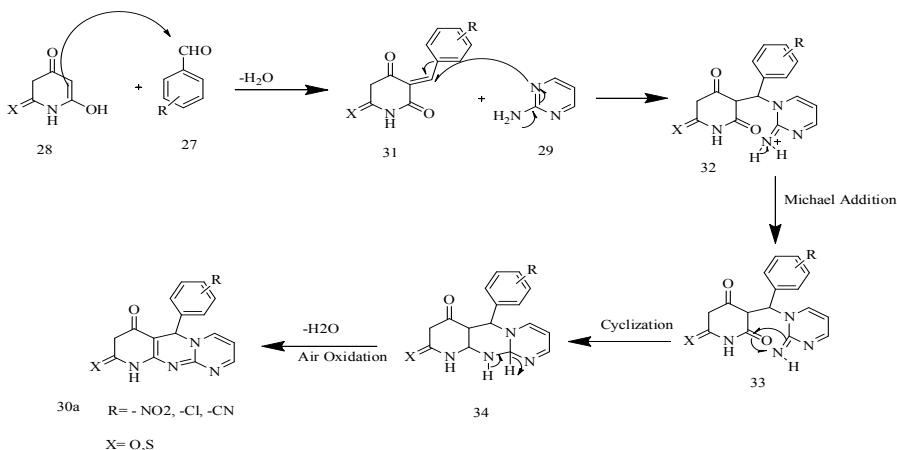
Scheme 4: Synthesis of pyrimidine derivatives 25a-c and 26

Table 1: Synthese of pyrimidines (30a-n) (30a-n)³¹

Compound No	Aldehyde	Structure
30a		
30b		
30c		
30d		
30e		
30f		
30g		
30h		
30i		
30j		
30k		
30l		
30m		
30n		



Scheme 5: Synthesis of pyrimidines (30a-n)

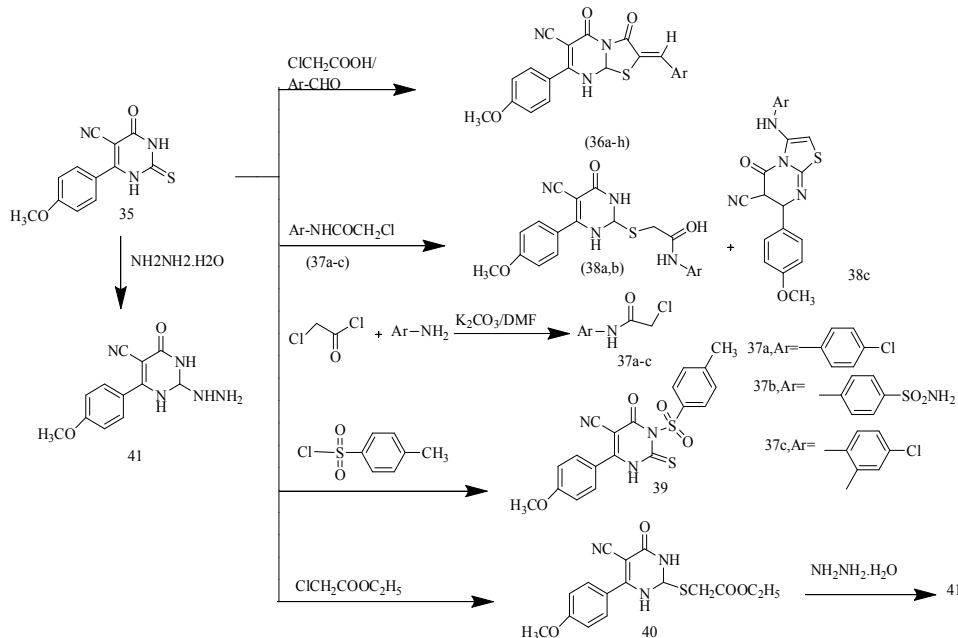


Scheme 6: mechanism for synthesized pyrimidines (30a-n).

The condensation of thioxopyrimidine (**35**) with substituted aromatic aldehydes and α -chloroacetic acid afford the corresponding thiazolopyrimidine derivatives (**36a-h**) (Scheme 7)³².

Treatment of 2-chloro-N-substituted-phenylacetamide (**37a-c**) with thioxopyrimidine **35** and dimethyl formamide, potassium carbonate,

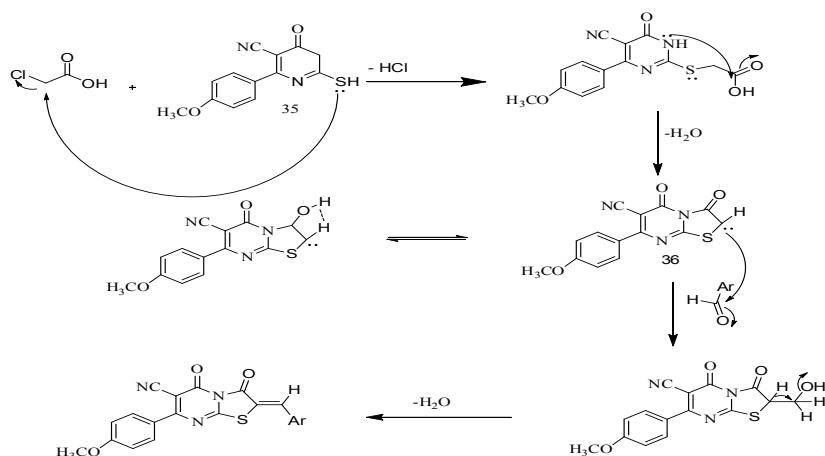
provide (**38a-c**) and (**39**) obtained via reaction of compound (**35**) with p-toluene in presence of K_2CO_3 and DMF in stirring resulting N-alkylation product. treatment of (**35**) with ethylacetacetate and potassium carbonate anhydrous afford compound (**40**) which react with hydrazine hydrate and ethanol provide the corresponding compound(**41**) (Scheme 7)³².

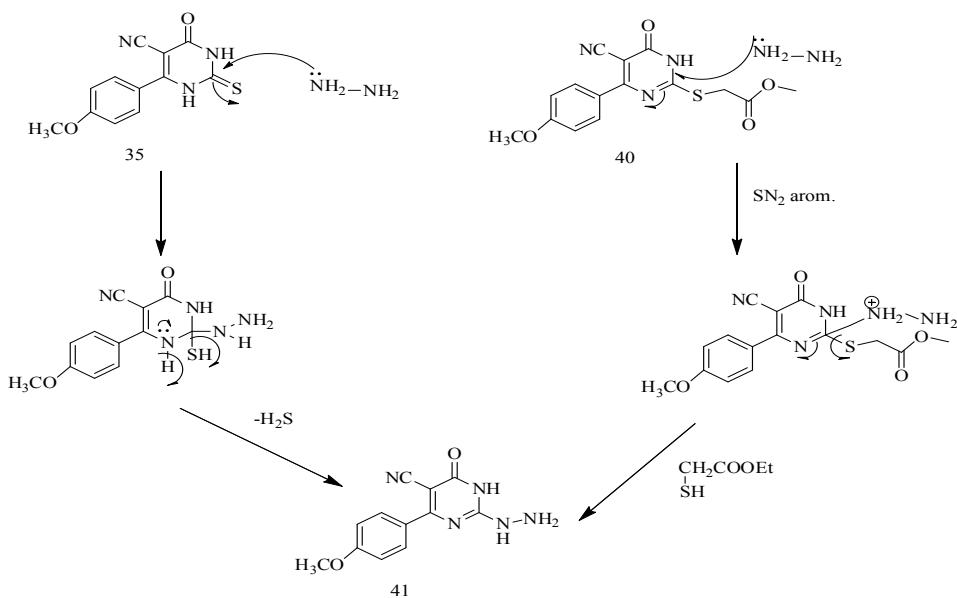
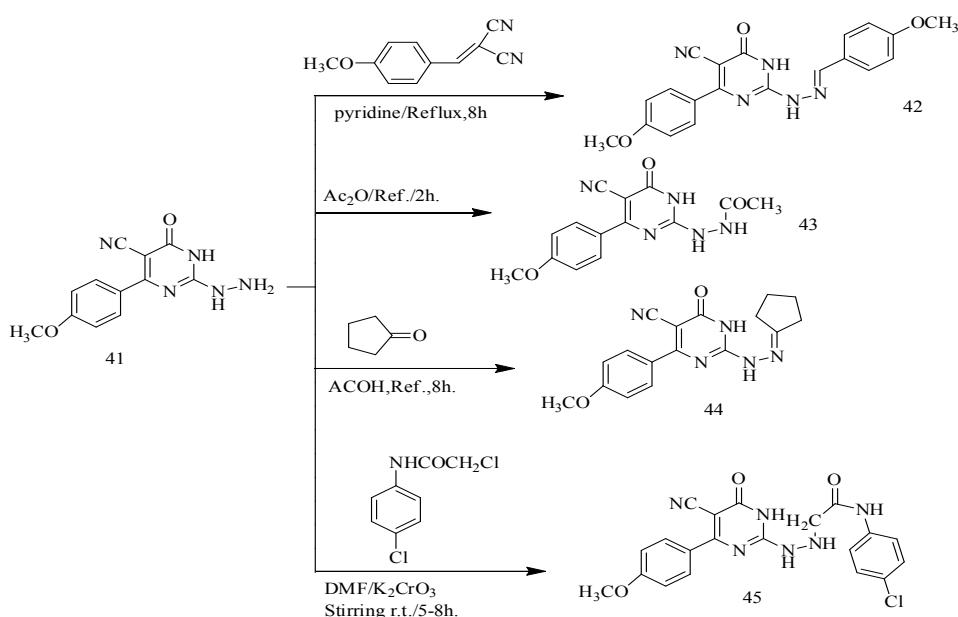
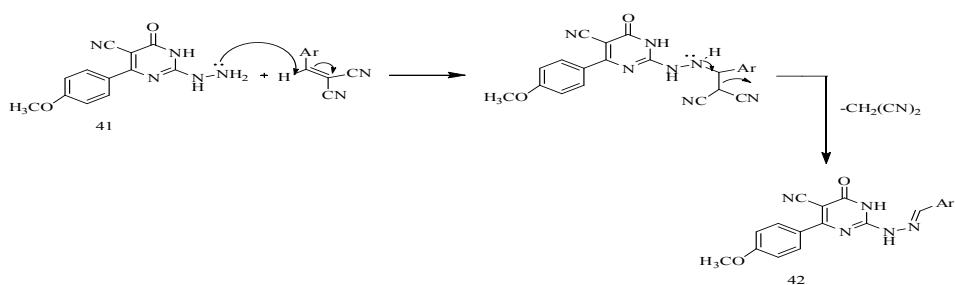


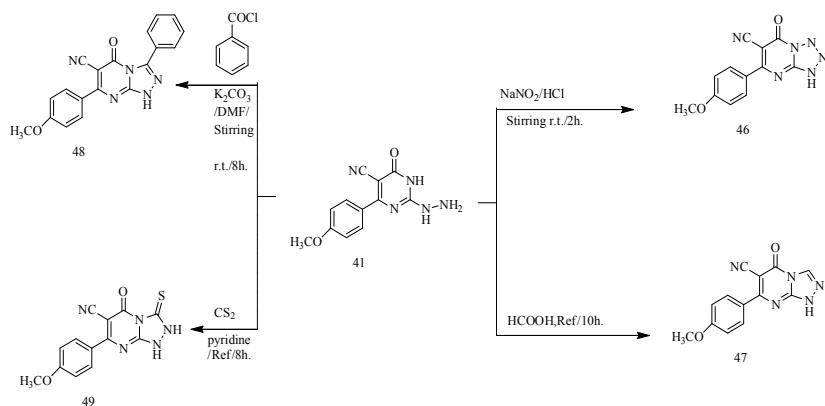
Scheme 7: Synthetic pathway of compounds (36-41)

Table 2: The syntheses of compounds (36a-h)³²

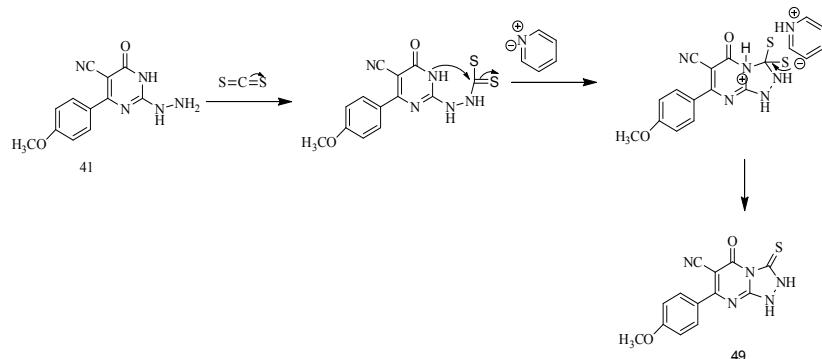
Compound No.	Ar	Structure ³²
36a		
36b		
36c		
36d		
36e		
36f		
36g		
36h		

**Scheme 8: Mechanism for synthesis of (36a-h)**

**Scheme 9: Mechanism for compound (41)****Scheme 10: Conversion of (41) to pyrimidine derivatives (42-45)****Scheme 11: Suggested mechanism for (42)**



Scheme 12: Preparation of triazolo and tetrazolopyrimidinone derivatives (46–49)



Scheme 13: mechanism (49)

Treatment of (**35**) with hydrazine hydrate affords hydrazino derivative (**41**). Treatment of (**41**) and arylidene provide the corresponding (**42**) (Scheme 11).

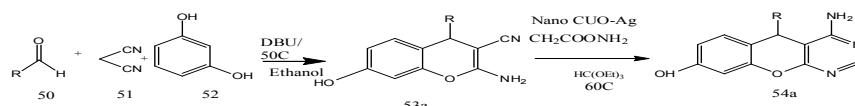
Synthesis of compounds (**42–45**) appears in (Scheme 10). Compound (**42**) obtained via reaction of p-methoxybenzaldehyde with hydrazine derivative(**41**)³².

The acetyl derivatives **43** were obtained by reaction of compound (**41**) and acetic anhydride under reflux. Reaction of compound(**41**) with cyclopentanone in ethanol provide (**44**). Compound (**45**) was obtained by reaction of hydrazine derivative (**41**) with acetamide derivatives. Tetrazolopyrimidine (**46**) was obtained via diazotization of compound (**41**). Reaction of (**41**) with formic acid provide pyrimidines (**47**) (Scheme 6). Treatment of benzoyl chloride with compound (**41**) affords corresponding Triazolopyrimidone derivative (**48**). Reaction of

(**41**) and carbon disulfide in presence of pyridine provide triazolopyrimidone derivative(**49**)³². The synthesized compounds of cyanothiouracil derivatives (**36–49**) were obtained from cyanothiouracils and dihydropyrimidine carbonitriles derivatives. Some of these compounds exhibit Potent activities, anticancer and Antimicrobial³².

Synthesis of (**54a–l**) proceed via two-step (Scheme 14)³³, the synthesis of (**54a–l**) via both methods microwave and conventional.in the conventional method substituted aldehydes (**50a–l**) treated with, malononitrile (**51**), and 1, 3 dihydroxy benzene (**52**) afford the corresponding pyran derivatives (**53a–l**). Cyclization of pyran derivatives (**53a–l**) by using nano catalyst provide (**54a–l**) this green method and highly efficient, Also the reaction occur without catalysts by using reflux for 8 hours.³³.

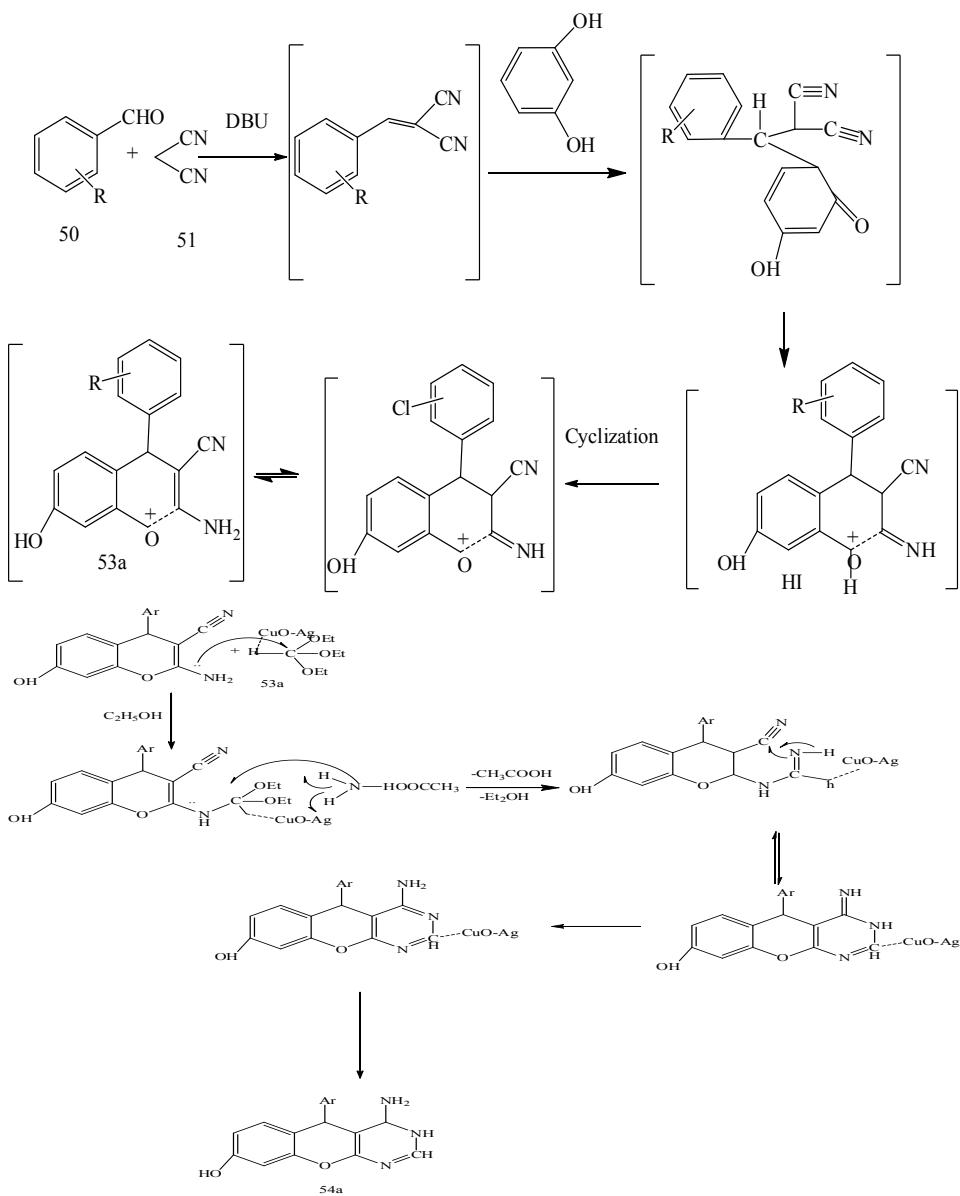
The synthesized compounds exhibit antifungal, antioxidant and antibacterial effect³³.



Scheme 14: synthesis of pyrano[2,3-d]pyrimidine (54a)

Table 3: Syntheses of pyrano pyrimidine derivatives (54a–l)³³

Compound No.	R	Structure
54a		
54b		
54c		
54d		
54e		
54f		
54g		
54h		
54i		
54j		
54k		
54l		

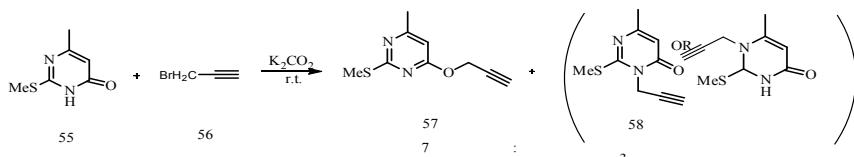


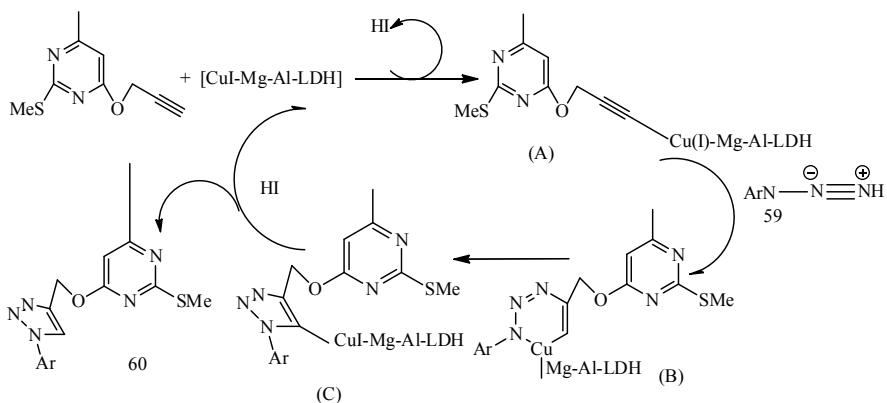
Scheme 15: mechanism for synthesis of compound (54a)

Pyrimidine (58) was prepared by treatment of methylthiopyrimidinone (**55**) with bromomethylacetylene (**56**) in K_2CO_3 /DMF at room temperature (Scheme 16)³⁴.

Treatment of pyrimidine (**57**) and (**59a**)

in the absence of catalyst lead to there is no formation of product formed after 3 h the reaction give maximum of the yield when use $CuI/Mg-Al-LDH$ catalyst [28, this method was easy, clean reaction, short reaction time and high yield³⁴.

Scheme 16: Synthesis of compound **57** and **58**



Scheme 17: Proposed mechanism for synthesis of pyrimidine derivatives (60)

Table 4: Syntheses of pyrimidine derivatives (60a-i)³⁴

Compound No	Azide	Structure (60a-i) ²⁸
60a		
60b		
60c		
60d		
60e		
60f		
60g		
60h		
60i		

Reaction of compound (63) with 64,66,68 afford the corresponding thioxopyrimidine (67) and pyridinethione (69) these compounds was

considered as a key for synthesis of different pyrimidine derivatives³⁵. The formation of compound (63) indicated in (Scheme 18)³⁶.

Compound (**65**) (Scheme 18)³⁷ was prepared by treatment of chalcone (**63**) with thiourea (**64**) compound (**67**) was prepared via treatment of chalcone (**63**) and dihydropyrimidinone (**66**) (Scheme 18)³⁸. the compound (**69**) was prepared by treatment of 2-cyanoethanethioamide (**68**) with chalcone (**63**) in diaxane and piperidine catalyst at reflux the reaction proceed via cyclocondensation reaction (Scheme 18)³⁹.

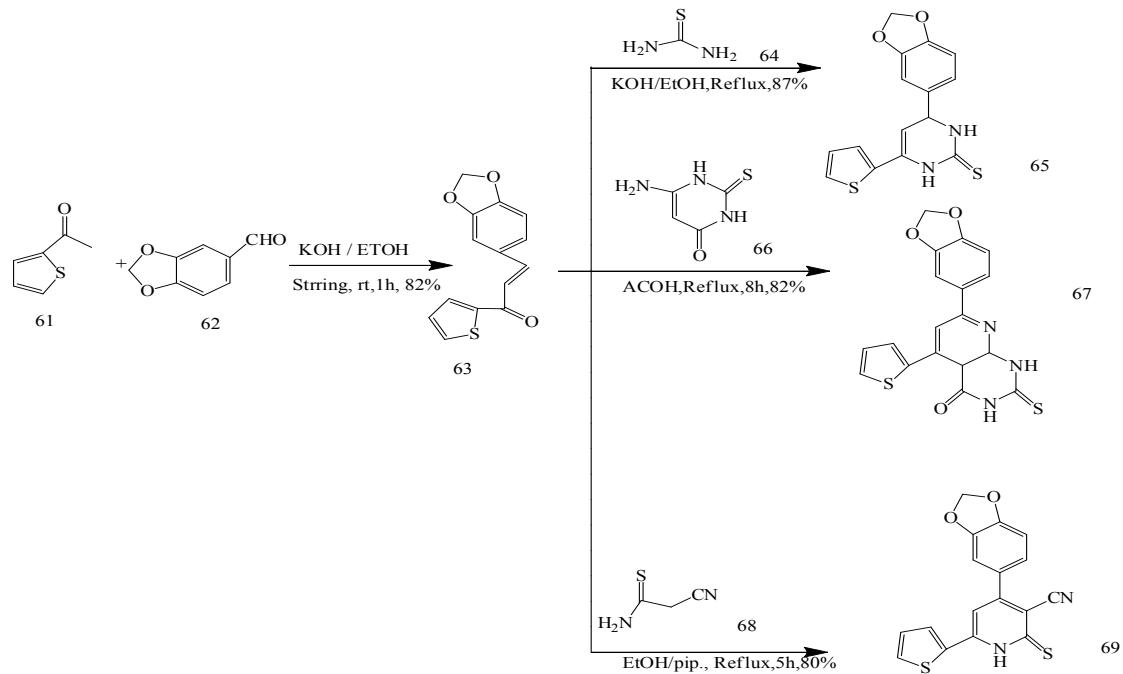
Reaction of (**65**) or (**67**) with the appropriate nitrilimines (**71**) afford the corresponding triazole compound, the nitrilimines (**71**) prepared by treatment of hydrazonoyl chlorides (**70**)⁴⁰ With triethylamine (TEA). Triazolo pyrimidine (**75a**) (Scheme 19) was prepared by reaction of hydrazonylchloride (**70a**) with pyrimidine-2(1H)-thione (**65**) at reflux. In addition, reaction of hydrazonyl chlorides **70b-d** with compound **65** provide triazolo pyrimidines (**75b-d**) (Scheme 19).

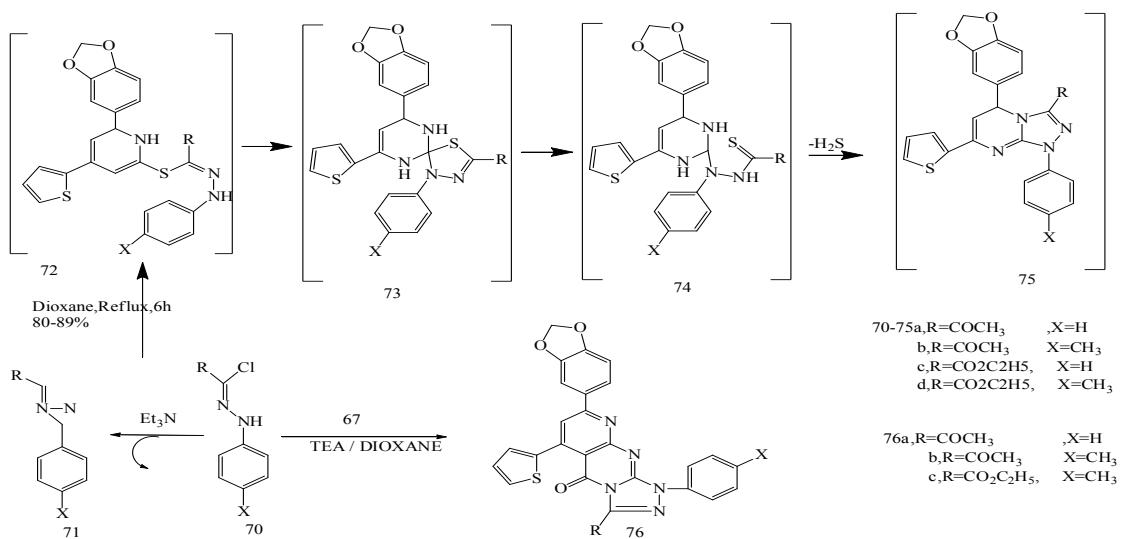
Initial alkylation of (**65**) to provide thiohydrazone (**72**) and then cyclization to provide the spiro-intermediate (**73**) and rearrangement occur⁴¹ provide corresponding (**75**) via (**74**) (Scheme 19).

Also treatment of thioxopyrido[pyrimidinone (**67**) with hydrazoe (**70a-c**) provide triazolopyrimidines

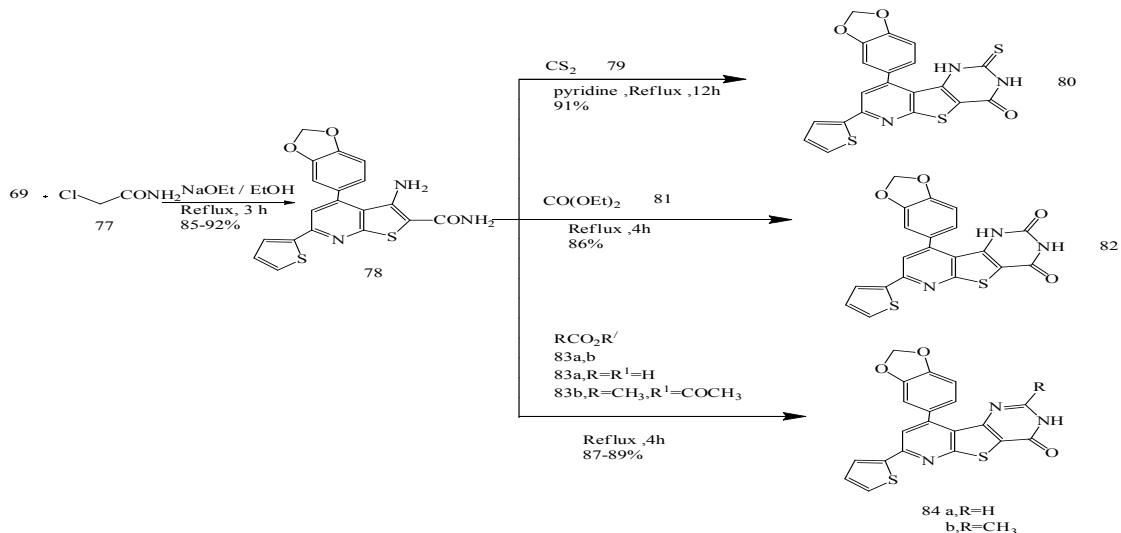
(**76a-c**) (Scheme 19)³⁸, thienopyridine (**78**) (Scheme 20) was synthesized by treatment of 2-dihydropyridine-3-carbonitrile (**69**) with 2-chloroacetamide (**77**) in sodium ethoxide at reflux⁴². thienopyrimidinone derivative (**80**) (Scheme 20)⁴² was prepared by reaction of thieno[2,3-b] pyridine-2-caboxamide derivative (**78**) with (**79**). Also, 2-carboxamide derivative (**78**) treated with both (**81**), (**83a**) and (**83b**) to give compounds (**82**) and (**84a,b,**) (Scheme 20). pyridotpyrimidinone (**86**) (Scheme 21)⁴² was synthesized by reaction of thienopyrimidinone (**80**) and iodomethane (**85**) in ethanolic sodium ethoxide. Preparation of fused triazole was proceed by treatment of (**86**) with hydrazonyl chlorides (**70**)⁴³. triazolopyrimidinone derivative (**88a**) was synthesized by reaction of compound (**86**) with hydrazonyl chloride (**70a**) in dioxane and triethylamine at reflux, to provide (**87**) and then loss methane thiol provide (**88a**) (Scheme 21). Also, compound (**86**) treated with (**70b-d**) to provide triazolopyrimidinones (**88b-d**) (Scheme 21). Treatment of 2-thioxopyridothienopyrimidin-4(1H)-one derivative (**80**) with hydrazonyl chloride **70a** in dioxane and triethylamine at reflux afford the corresponding compound (**88a**).

(Scheme 21)³⁵. the newly pyrimidines was exhibit *In vitro* antimicrobial activities³⁵.

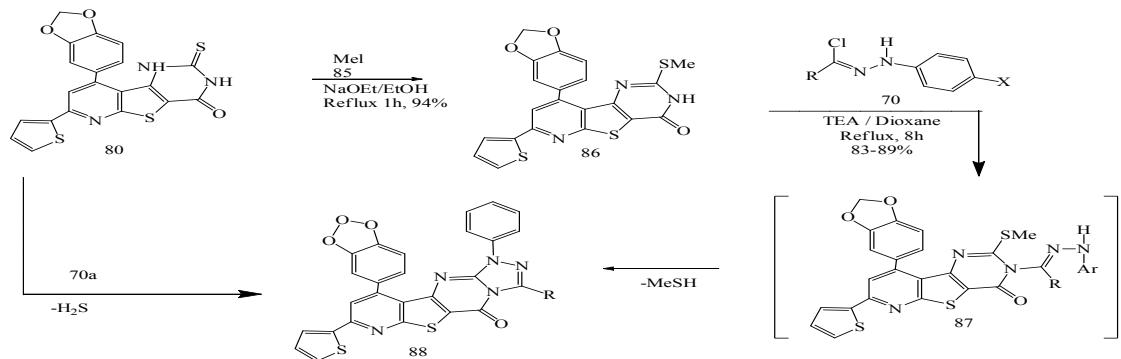




Scheme 19: Preparation] triazolopyrimidines (75) and (76)



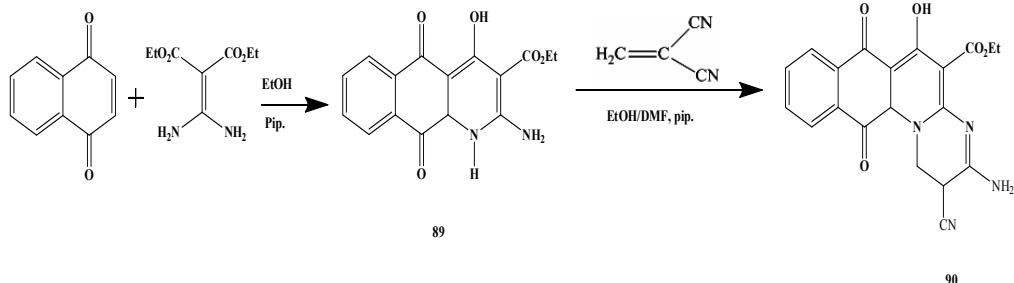
Scheme 20: preparation pyrimidinones (80), (82) and (84a, b)



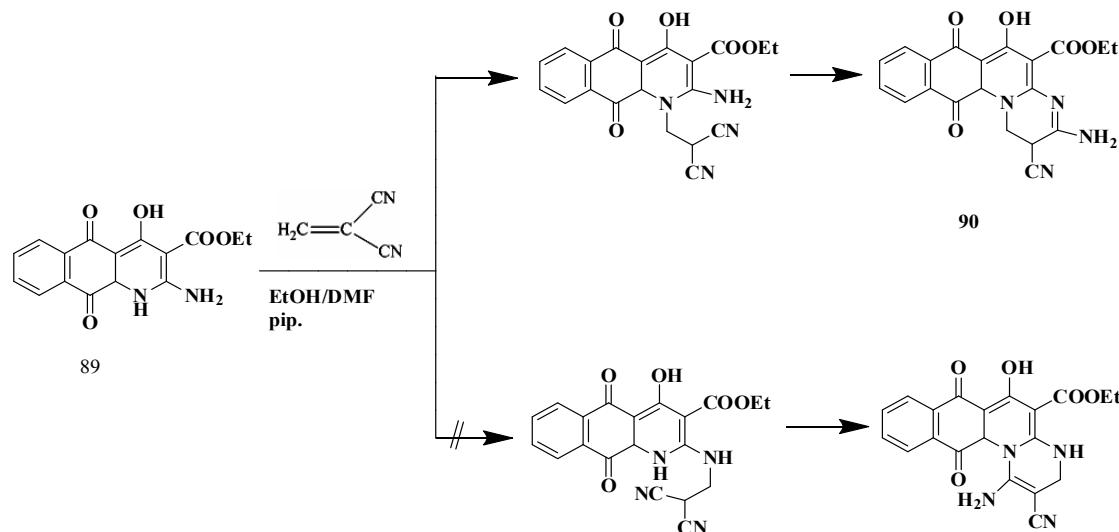
Scheme 21: Preparation triazolopyrimidinones (88)

ethyl 3-amino-2-cyano-6-hydroxy-7, 12-dioxo-2, 7, 12, 12a-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[g]pyrimido[1, 2-a]quinoline-5-carboxylate 90 was prepared by reaction of alkylidenemalononitrile derivatives with

ethyl 2-amino-4-hydroxy-5, 10-dioxo-1, 5, 10, 10a-tetrahydrobenzo[g]quinoline-3-carboxylate 89, the pyrimido quinolone derivatives have photodiode applications⁴⁴.



Scheme 22. Synthesis of pyrimido quinolone derivatives (90)



Scheme 23: Synthetic pathway for the pyrimido quinolone derivatives

CONCLUSION

The current study gives a portrayal of the biological and natural significance of heterocyclic related pyrimidine nucleus, these pyrimidine unit exhibited significant and assorted organic properties, the examined pyrimidine derivatives prepared by cyclocondensation reaction, also through reaction of chalcone with different 1, 3-dinucleophiles. Pyrimidine

derivatives that have biological activities.

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Conflicts of Interest

The author declares no conflict of interest.

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