

Short Note

## Ethyl (1,3-diphenyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[4,3-*e*][1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-*c*]pyrimidin-5-yl)acetate

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**Abstract:** Novel ethyl (1,3-diphenyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[4,3-*e*][1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-*c*]pyrimidin-5-yl)acetate (**5**), was prepared *via* heating of 5-amino-1,3-diphenyl-4,5-dihydro-4-imino-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*d*] pyrimidine (**1**) and diethyl malonate (**2**) under reflux. The structure of the synthesized compound was assigned on the basis of its elemental analysis, IR, <sup>1</sup>H-NMR and mass spectral data.

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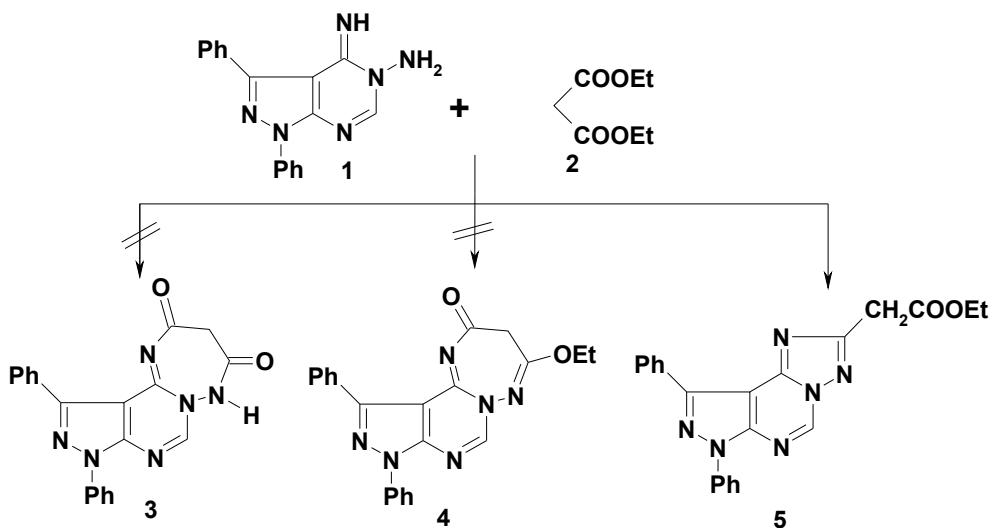
Pyrazolo[4,3-*e*][1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-*c*]pyrimidine exhibits interesting pharmacological activities such as glycogen synthase kinase-3 inhibitors [1], xanthine oxidase (XO) inhibitors [1] and adenosine receptor antagonists [2-11]. These observations led us to synthesize a new pyrazolo[4,3-*e*][1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-*c*]pyrimidine from 5-amino-1,3-diphenyl-4,5-dihydro-4-imino-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidine and diethyl malonate.

### Results and Discussion

5-Amino-1,3-diphenyl-4,5-dihydro-4-imino-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*d*]pyrimidine (**1**) [12] was allowed to react with diethyl malonate (**2**) under reflux. The expected product of this reaction was structure 9,11-diphenylpyrazolo[3',4':4,5]pyrimido[1,6-*b*][1,2,4]triazepin-2,4-dione (**3**) or 4-ethoxy-9,11-diphenylpyrazolo[3',4':4,5]pyrimido[1,6-*b*][1,2,4]triazepin-2-one (**4**) or its isomeric ethyl (1,3-diphenyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[4,3-*e*][1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-*c*]pyrimidin-5-yl)acetate (**5**) (Scheme 1). MS, <sup>1</sup>H NMR, IR and elemental analyses data of the isolated product were in full agreement with the structure **5** not the isomeric structures **3** or **4**. The IR spectrum of the isolated product showed bands at 1735 cm<sup>-1</sup> characteristic for ester carbonyl group. Its <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum showed a singlet signal at δ 4.12 for the

acyclic CH<sub>2</sub> protons, in addition to triplet and quartet signals at  $\delta$  1.25 and 4.22 due to the protons of ethyl group.

**Scheme 1.** Synthesis of the title compound (**5**).



*Synthesis of ethyl (1,3-diphenyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[4,3-*e*][1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-*c*]pyrimidin-5-yl)acetate (**5**).* A mixture of 5-amino-1,3-diphenyl-4-iminopyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyrimidine (**1**) [12] (3.02 g, 10 mmol) and diethyl malonate (**2**) (2.4 g, 15 mmol) was heated under reflux for 2 h. After cooling, the solid precipitated was collected and crystallized from ethanol/dioxane mixture (1:1).

Yield: 96%; Yellow crystals; m.p. 200–202 °C.

GC-MS *m/z* (%): 399 (M<sup>+</sup> + 1, 12), 398 (M<sup>+</sup>, 50), 326 (43), 256 (4), 127 (8), 77 (100), 51 (65).

IR (KBr)  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1735 (C=O).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$ (ppm) = 1.25 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.12 (s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.22 (q, *J* = 7 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.47–8.70 (m, 10H, Ar-H), 9.69 (s, 1H, pyrimidine-H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): 13.99, 34.64, 60.83, 100.62, 122.0, 127.04, 127.31, 128.43, 129.01, 137.73, 138.71, 140.00, 143.83, 145.10, 146.58, 148.14, 161.19, 168.41.

Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>2</sub>(398.15): C, 66.32; H, 4.55; N, 21.09. Found: C, 66.18; H, 4.42; N, 20.89%.

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