

# The role of polysubstituted heterocycles in the synthesis of bi- and polycyclic heterocycles\*

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This review presents the syntheses and some transformations of the *s*-triazolo[1,5-*x*]azines, 2-methyl-*s*-triazolo[1,5-*x*]azines, *s*-triazolo[1,5-*x*]azine 3-oxides, *N*-heteroarylcyanoamines and *N*-heteroaryl-*N*-methylcyanoamines, azino-pyrimidines and -pyrimidine 3-oxides including purines and pteridines, substituted 2-aminooxazolo-azines, pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridazines and *O*-, *S*-, and/or *N*-methylation with *N,N*-dimethylformamide dimethyl acetal.

В обзоре приведены синтезы и некоторые превращения *s*-триазоло[1,5-*x*]азинов, 2-метил-*s*-триазоло[1,5-*x*]азинов, *s*-триазоло[1,5-*x*]азин-3-оксидов, *N*-гетероарилцианоаминов и *N*-гетероарил-*N*-метилцианоаминов, азино-пиримидинов и азино-пиримидин-3-оксидов, включая пурины и птеридины, замещенные 2-аминооксазоло-азины, пиразоло[3,4-*c*]пиридазины и *O*-, *S*- или *N*-метилирование диметилацеталем *N,N*-диметилформамида.

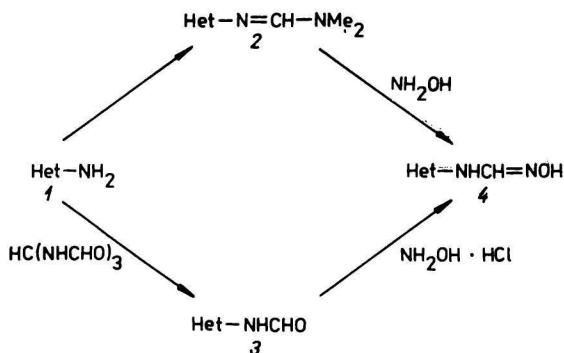
*N*-Heteroarylformamidines, *N*-heteroarylacetamidines, *N*-heteroarylformamide oximes, and *N*-heteroarylacetamide oximes are versatile intermediates for the preparation of various heterocyclic systems, especially when the corresponding amide, formamide oxime or acetamide oxime group is attached either at  $\alpha$ -position to ring nitrogen atom, or in *ortho* position to amino, cyano or hydroxy group.

## *N*-Heteroarylformamide oximes and *N*-heteroarylacetamide oximes

*N*-Heteroarylformamide oximes 4 (Scheme 1) can be prepared either from the corresponding heterocyclic amines 1 and *N,N*-dimethylformamide dimethyl acetal followed by treatment with hydroxylamine, or, in some instances, from the formylamino heterocycles 3 with hydroxylamine [1]. The latter method, which presents an alternative method for the preparation of *N*-heteroarylformamide

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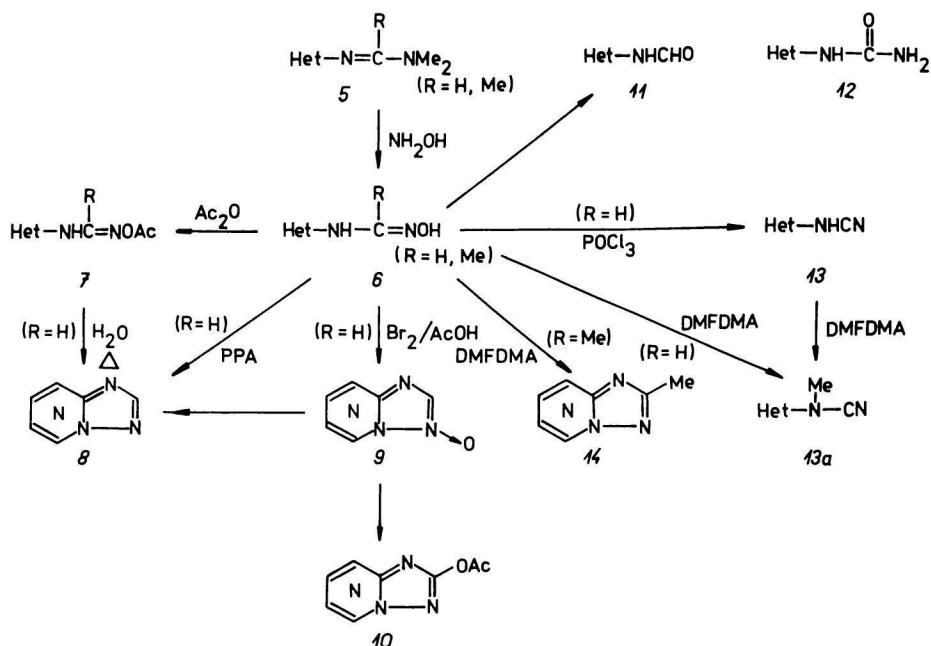
Scheme 1

<i>a</i>	Het = 2-pyridyl	<i>k</i>	6-chloropyrazin-2-yl
<i>b</i>	5-nitropyrid-2-yl	<i>l</i>	4,6-bismorpholino-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl
<i>c</i>	4-pyridyl	<i>m</i>	1-chloropyrido[2,3- <i>d</i> ]pyridazin-4-yl
<i>d</i>	3-pyridazinyl	<i>n</i>	4-chloropyrido[2,3- <i>d</i> ]pyridazin-1-yl
<i>e</i>	6-chloropyridazin-3-yl	<i>o</i>	2,4-dihydroxypyrimid-5-yl
<i>f</i>	4,5-dimethyl-6-chloropyridazin-3-yl	<i>p</i>	2,6-dimethylpyrimid-4-yl
<i>g</i>	2-pyrimidinyl	<i>r</i>	4-dimethylamino-6-chloro-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl
<i>h</i>	4,6-dimethylpyrimidinyl	<i>s</i>	4-ethylthio-6-methylamino-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl
<i>i</i>	2-pyrazinyl	<i>t</i>	4,6-bis(ethylthio)-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl
<i>j</i>	5-chloropyrazin-2-yl	<i>u</i>	4,6-dimethoxy-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl

oximes, as compared to the previously described method [2, 3], is limited only to 2-formylaminopyrimidines and formylamino-1,3,5-triazines, in which the amino group is a part of the guanidine structural element [1]. Since the nucleophilic character of an amino group attached to the heterocyclic ring is strongly decreased (many formylating agents reported in the literature [4, 5] such as formic acid, formates, formamides, mixed anhydrides and others, frequently afford the formylated compounds in low yields, and in the case of 1,3,5-triazines the reaction completely fails [6]), more powerful formylating agents have been introduced [7]. We found that trisformamidomethane, previously used for the synthesis of various heterocyclic systems as the reagent for introducing of one carbon unit into a heterocyclic ring [7, 8], is the most useful formylating agent affording the corresponding formylamino derivatives in pyrimidine and *s*-triazine series, even with the least reactive heterocyclic amines, in yields up to 95%. [1].

In an analogous manner *N*-heteroarylacetamide oximes were obtained from the corresponding heterocyclic amines and *N,N*-dimethylacetamide dimethyl acetal and subsequent treatment of acetamidine derivative with hydroxylamine [9].

The structure and the free energies of rotational barriers,  $\Delta G$ , about  $=\text{CH}-\text{NMe}_2$  bond in *N'*-heteroaryl-*N,N*-dimethylformamidines 2 and *N'*-heteroaryl-*N,N*-dimethylacetamidines 5 ( $\text{R}=\text{CH}_3$ ) (Scheme 2) have been

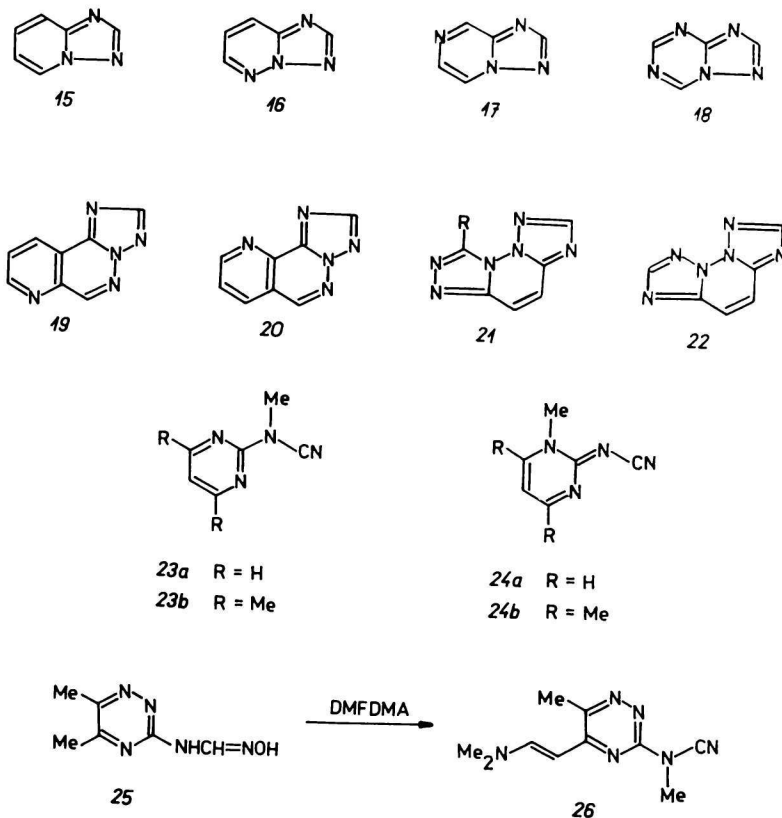


### Scheme 2

found to be in the range 54.4–90.4 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup> [10, 11], and the structures of *N*-heteroarylformamide oximes **4** were determined by comparison of the coupling constants of *N*-heteroarylformamide oximes-<sup>14</sup>N and -<sup>15</sup>N labelled compounds [12].

*s*-Triazol[1,5-*x*]azines and *s*-triazol[1,5-*x*]azine 3-oxides

*s*-Triazolo[1,5-*x*]azines (8) can be prepared by the following methods: by a Dimroth rearrangement of *s*-triazolo[4,3-*x*]azines, especially in pyrimidine and *s*-triazine series [13], by the reaction of 3-amino-*s*-triazole with 1,3-dicarbonyl compounds or  $\beta$ -keto esters [14], oxidative cyclization of *N*-heteroarylaminidines [15–17], cyclization of *N*-aminoazinium salts, prepared from heterocyclic amines and *O*-mesitylenesulfonylhydroxylamine with formic acid, acetic anhydride, benzoyl chloride, etc. [18–21]. Cyclodehydration of *N*-heteroarylformamide oximes 6 (*R* = H) in polyphosphoric acid appeared to be a general one [2, 3]. By this method various, at position 2 unsubstituted, fused *s*-triazolo[1,5-*x*] systems were prepared (Scheme 3): *s*-triazolo[1,5-*a*]pyridine (15), *s*-triazolo[1,5-*b*]pyridazine (16), *s*-triazolo[1,5-*a*]pyrazine (17), *s*-triazolo[1,5-*a*]-1,3,5-triazine (18), pyrido[3,2-*d*']-*s*-triazolo[1,5-*b*]pyridazine (19), isomeric pyrido[2,3-*d*']-*s*-triazolo[1,5-



Scheme 3

-b]pyridazine (20), *s*-triazolo[4,3-*b*]-*s*-triazolo[5',1'-*f*]pyridazine (21), and bis-*s*-triazolo[1,5-*b*: 5',1'-*f*]pyridazine (22) [3].

In some instances, a Beckmann rearrangement into urea derivatives 12 took place when oximes 6 (R = H) were treated with polyphosphoric acid (e.g. from 2-pyridylformamide oxime *N*-pyridylurea was obtained [22], by the treatment with lead tetraacetate *N*-cyanoamino compounds 13 were isolated [23]) whereas hydrolysis into formylamino derivatives 11 was observed [24].

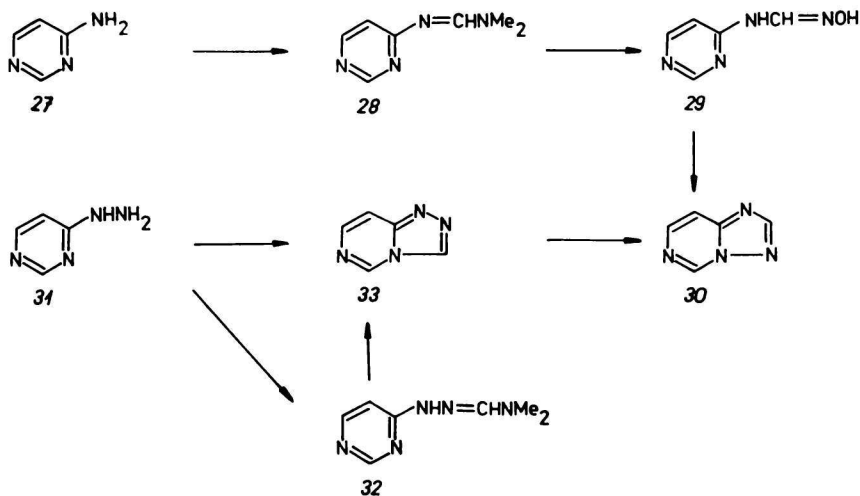
In order to overcome these difficulties, *N*-heteroarylformamide oximes 6 (R = H) were converted with acetic anhydride into *N*-heteroaryl-*O*-acetylformamide oximes 7, which could be cyclized by heating in aqueous solution into *s*-triazolo[1,5-*x*]azines [25]. In this way *s*-triazolo[1,5-*a*]pyridine, *s*-triazolo[1,5-*a*]pyrazine, and 6-chloro-*s*-triazolo[1,5-*b*]pyridazine were prepared (Scheme 2).

A general route for the preparation of *s*-triazolo[1,5-*x*]azine 3-oxides **9** represents the oxidation of *N*-heteroarylformamide oximes **6** ( $R=H$ ) with bromine in acetic acid or *N*-bromosuccinimide in chloroform. The 3-oxides **9** could be deoxygenated by hydrogen in the presence of palladium/carbon as catalyst or with phosphorous trichloride. With acetic anhydride they can be rearranged into the corresponding 2-acetoxy derivatives **10** [24, 26].

*N*-Heteroarylacetamide oximes **6** ( $R=CH_3$ ) cyclize in the presence of *N,N*-dimethylformamide dimethyl acetal to give 2-methyl-*s*-triazolo[1,5-*x*]azines **14**. Similar results were obtained also by heating acetamide oximes in polyphosphoric acid or by heating in phosphorous oxychloride in chloroform or chloroform and pyridine [9]. This transformation represents an extension of the previously described "oxime method" [2, 3] (Scheme 2).

In the reaction of *N*-heteroarylformamide oximes **6** ( $R=H$ ) with *N,N*-dimethylformamide dimethyl acetal *N*-heteroaryl-*N*-methylcyanoamines **13a** were obtained as the main products. However, in some instances, cyanoimino derivatives, methylated at ring nitrogen were isolated. For example, *N*-(pyrimidinyl-2)formamide oxime **4g** and its 4,6-dimethyl derivative **4h** gave a mixture of the products **23** and **24** (Scheme 3). *N,N*-Dimethylformamide dimethyl acetal reacts also with activated methyl groups to give the corresponding enamines. For example, *N*-(5,6-dimethyl-1,2,4-triazin-3-yl)formamide oxime **25** gave 5-[2-(*N,N*-dimethylamino)ethen-1-yl]-3-(*N*-methylcyanoamino)-6-methyl-1,2,4-triazine **26**.

From 4-aminopyrimidine (**27**) (Scheme 4) *s*-triazolo[1,5-*c*]pyrimidine (**30**) was obtained by this method. The same bicyclic systems were prepared also from



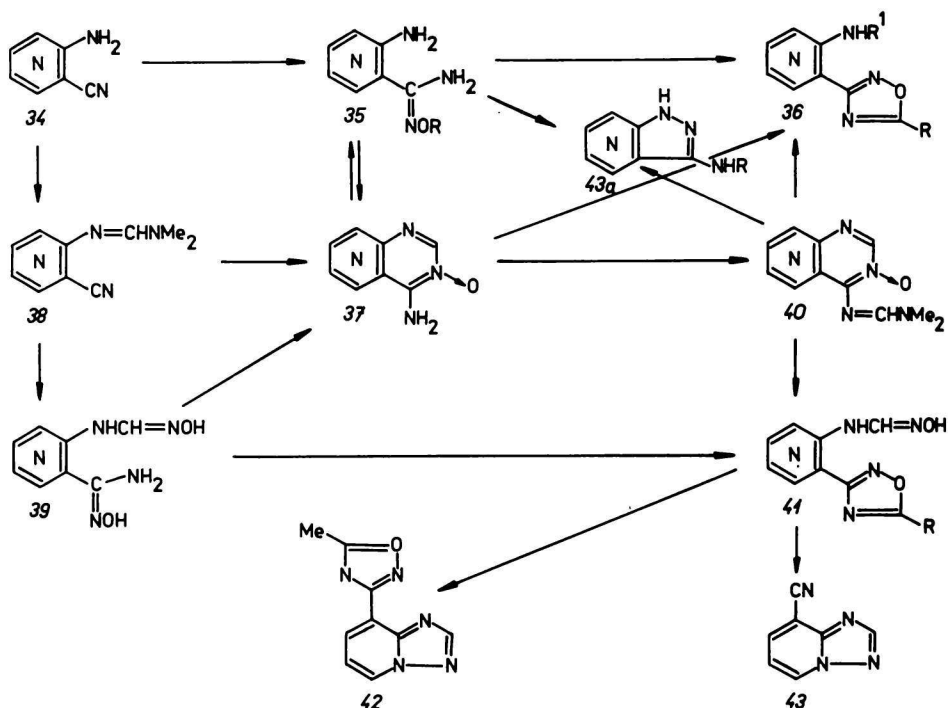
Scheme 4

4-hydrazinopyrimidine (31) which was cyclized either with triethylorthoformate or *N,N*-dimethylformamide dimethyl acetal to give first *s*-triazolo[4,3-*c*]pyrimidine (33) followed by a Dimroth rearrangement into *s*-triazolo[1,5-*c*]pyrimidine (30) [27]. The intermediate 33 was isolated under mild reaction conditions [28].

### Azinopyrimidines and their 3-oxides

Heterocyclic *ortho* amino-cyano compounds can be used as starting compounds for the preparation of azino-pyrimidines and their 3-oxides. These can be further converted into 1,2,4-oxadiazolylazines, *s*-triazolo[1,5-*x*]azines, pyrazolo[3,4-*x*]azines, and some other products.

Usually, amino-cyanoazines 34 (Scheme 5) were transformed with hydroxylamine into the corresponding amide oximes 35, and with triethyl *ortho*-formate into 4-amino-azino-pyrimidine 3-oxides 37. The latter could be prepared also by treatment of *ortho* amino-cyanoazines 34 with *N,N*-dimethylformamide dimethyl acetal to give first the corresponding amidines 38. These were transformed with hydroxylamine into 4-amino-azino-pyrimidine 3-oxides (37) directly or through *o*-(hydroxyimino)methyleneamino-azinocarboxamide oximes 39.

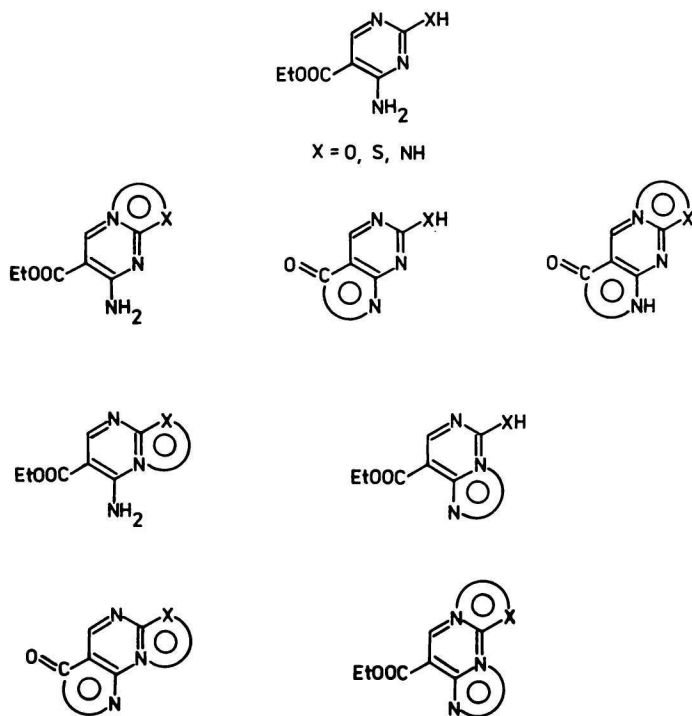


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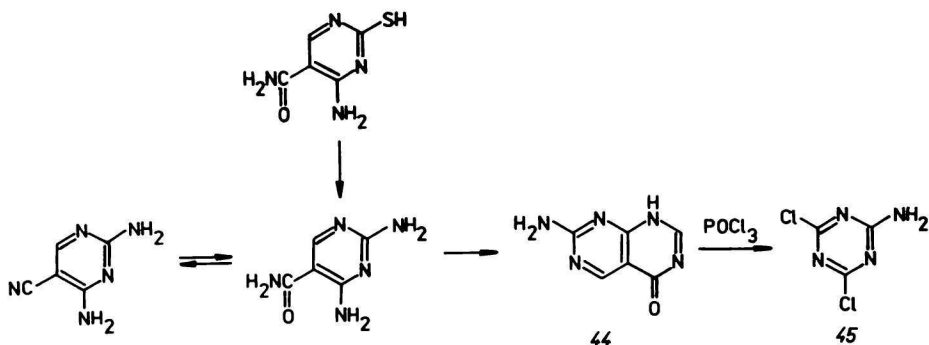
Carboxamide oximes **39** or 4-(*N,N*-dimethylaminomethyleneamino)-azino-pyrimidine 3-oxides **40** could be transformed into 2-(hydroxyiminomethyleneamino)-1',2',4'-oxadiazol-3'-yl)azines **41**. The latter compound was in pyridine series in polyphosphoric acid transformed into 8-(5'-methyl-1',2',4'-oxadiazol-3'-yl)-*s*-triazolo[1,5-*a*]pyridine (**42**) and 8-cyano-*s*-triazolo[1,5-*a*]pyridine (**43**). Pyrazolo[3,4-*x*]azines **43a** were formed either from **40** or from *o*-aminoazinecarboxamide oximes **35** [29–31].

These transformations were recently extended also to pyrimido-pyrimidines [32], pyridazino-pyrimidines [33], pteridines and their *N*-oxides [34].

With these methods some new bi- and polycyclic heterocyclic systems, or new derivatives of old systems by new methods, can be prepared, as is schematically shown in the case of three-substituted pyrimidines as starting compounds [32] (Scheme 6). In some instances, very unusual rearrangements were observed during these transformations. For example, 2-amino-8*H*-pyrimido[4,5-*d*]pyrimid-5-one (**44**) rearranges by treatment with phosphorous oxychloride into 2-amino-4,6-dichloro-1,3,5-triazine (**45**) [35] (Scheme 7).



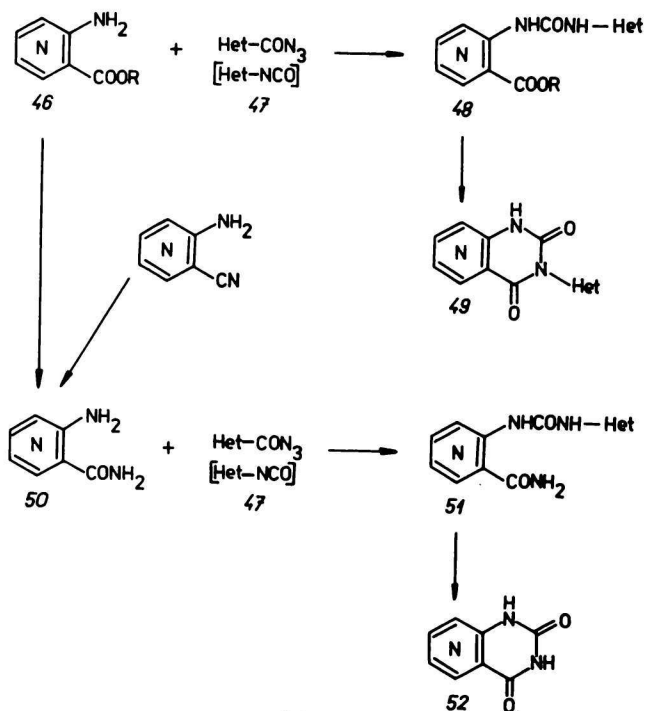
Scheme 6



Scheme 7

### Azaquinazolines and azino-s-triazines

There are various methods for the synthesis of 1*H*,3*H*-quinazolin-2,4-diones described in the literature [36]. In the course of our investigations of substituted heterocyclic amines with heteroacylazides we found that substituted heterocyclic

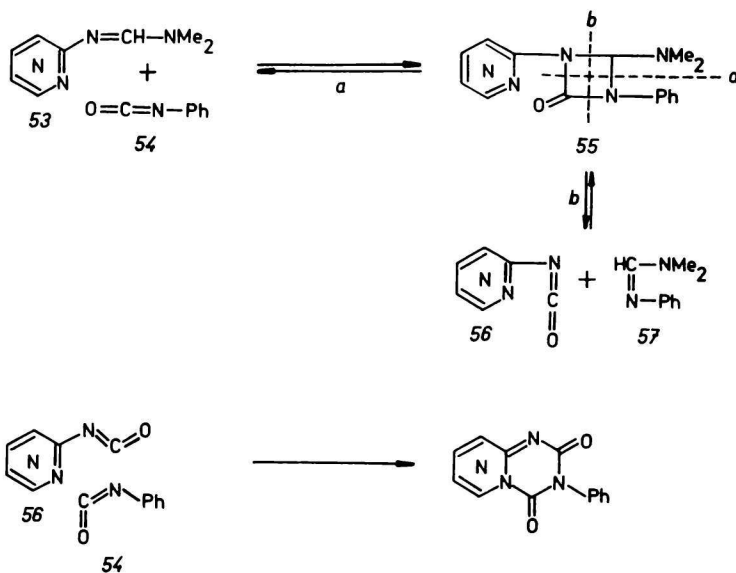


Scheme 8



amides and *N,N*-disubstituted ureas were formed, in dependence on the reaction conditions and the relative reactivity of both components [37]. However, in ureas **48** (Scheme 8) with a carbethoxy group at *ortho* position a cyclization occurred to give azolo- and azino-pyrimidines **49** with *N*-heteroaryl substituted at position 3 in pyrimidine ring. On the other hand, when a carboxamido group was attached at *ortho* position to amino group, the intermediate urea cyclized into azolo- and 1*H*,3*H*-azino-pyrimidin-2,4-diones **52** by elimination of a heterocyclic amine [38]. In this reaction a heterocyclic isocyanate is formed *in situ*, which reacts with an amino group of a heterocyclic amine. This reaction is therefore similar to that of anthranilic acid derivatives with alkyl or aryl isocyanates in which 3-alkyl or 3-aryl substituted quinazolines are formed [36].

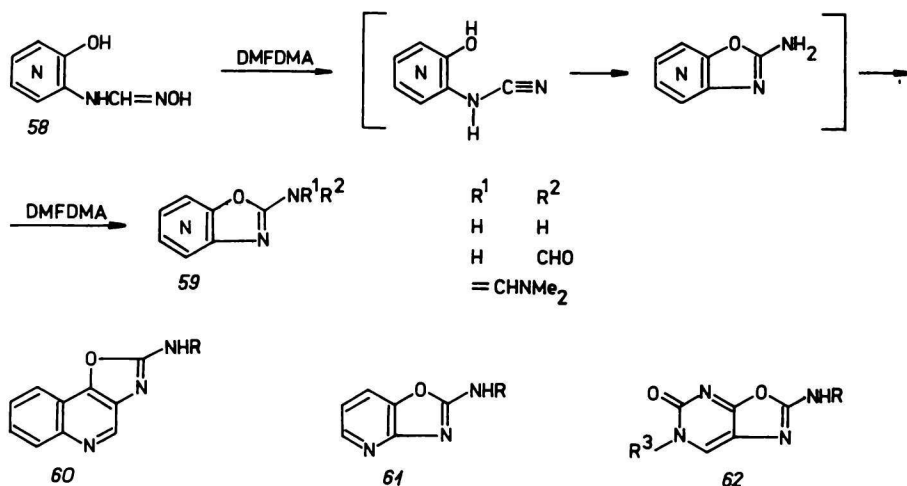
There was found another evidence for the existence of the intermediate heterocyclic isocyanate. Namely, in the reaction of *N,N*-dimethyl-*N'*-(pyridazin-3-yl)formamidine, and some of its derivatives, with phenyl isocyanate pyridazino[2,3-*a*]-[1,3,5]-triazines were obtained [39]. Recently, (2 + 2) cycloadducts **55** (Scheme 9) were isolated in some instances at room temperature [40]. They decompose at elevated temperatures in two different ways to give either **53** and **54**, or **56** and **57**. In subsequent (2 + 4) cycloaddition of heterocyclic isocyanate **56** and phenyl isocyanate **54** 3-phenyl-azino-1,3,5-triazine-2,4-diones are formed [40].



Scheme 9

### Substituted 2-aminooxazoloazines

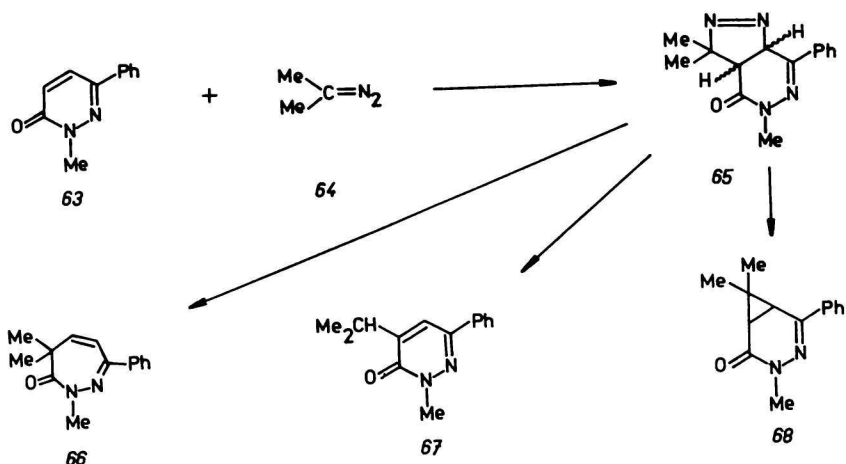
Another application of *N*-heteroarylformamide oximes is the synthesis of substituted aminooxazoloazines. The reaction of *o*-aminohydroxy substituted aromatic compounds with cyanogen bromide can be used only for the preparation of 2-aminobenzoxazoles [41], while in heteroaromatic series the intermediate *N*-cyanoamino derivatives do not cyclize into oxazoloazines [42]. On the other hand, 2-aminooxazoloazines **59** (Scheme 10) can be easily obtained from *o*-hydroxy substituted *N*-heteroarylformamide oximes **58** by treatment with *N,N*-dimethylformamide dimethyl acetal. For example, 3-amino-1*H*-quinolin-4-one was converted into *N,N*-dimethylaminomethyleneamino derivative and subsequently transformed into oxime, which cyclodehydrated in the presence of DMFDMA into **60**. Similarly, substituted 2-aminooxazolo[2,3-*d*]pyridines (**61**) and 2-aminooxazolo[5,4-*d*]pyrimidines (**62**) [43] were obtained.



Scheme 10

### Synthesis of pyrazolo[4,4-*c*]pyridazines

So far, only the reaction between 1-methyl-3-phenyl-1*H*-pyridazin-6-one (**63**) and 2-diazopropane (**64**) has been described in the literature, to give a mixture of products **66**, **67**, and **68** formed from the unstable cycloadduct **65** [44] (Scheme 11).



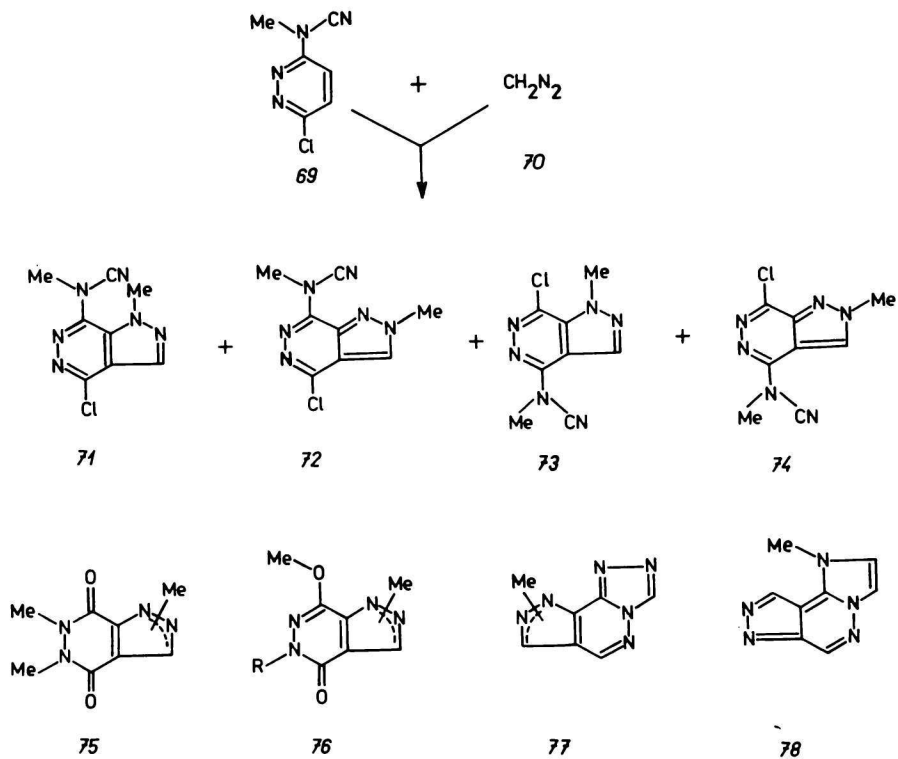
Scheme 11

An unusual reaction between pyridazine derivatives and diazomethane was observed during our studies. The reaction was observed first to take place between 3-chloro-6-(*N*-methylcyanoamino)pyridazine (69) and diazo methane (70, Scheme 12). The reaction is a 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition of diazomethane to a localized double bond followed by dehydrogenation, a 1,3-sigmatropic hydrogen shift and *N*-methylation of the pyrazole part of the bicyclic system. All four possible isomers 71, 72, 73, and 74 were isolated and identified [45].

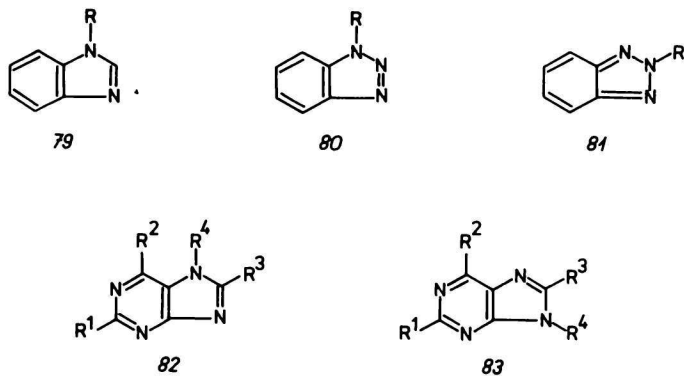
The reaction was extended also to some other monocyclic and bicyclic pyridazine derivatives, such as 1,2-dimethyl-1*H*,3*H*-pyridazine-3,6-dione and 1-substituted 3-methoxy-1*H*-pyridazin-6-ones to give 75 and 76. In bicyclic series, *s*-triazolo[4,3-*b*]pyridazine and tetrazolo[1,5-*b*]pyridazines gave the corresponding pyrazolo-*s*-triazolo-pyridazines 77 and pyrazolo-tetrazolo-pyridazines. Imidazo[1,2-*b*]pyridazine did not react with diazomethane. However, the reactivity can be increased by quaternization and the corresponding pyrazolo-imidazo-pyridazine 78 was isolated [45].

#### *N,S*- and/or *O*-methylations with DMFDMA

*N,N*-Dimethylformamide alkyl acetals have been used frequently as alkylating agents for the preparation of ethers and thioethers from phenols and thiophenols and some *S*-methylated heterocycles, especially in pyridine, pyrimidine, and benzoxazole series [46, 47]. On the other hand, *N*-methylation occurred in uracil derivatives [48, 49], in nucleosides [50, 51], and in uridine [52]. Recently, the methylation has been extended to a series of heterocyclic compounds containing



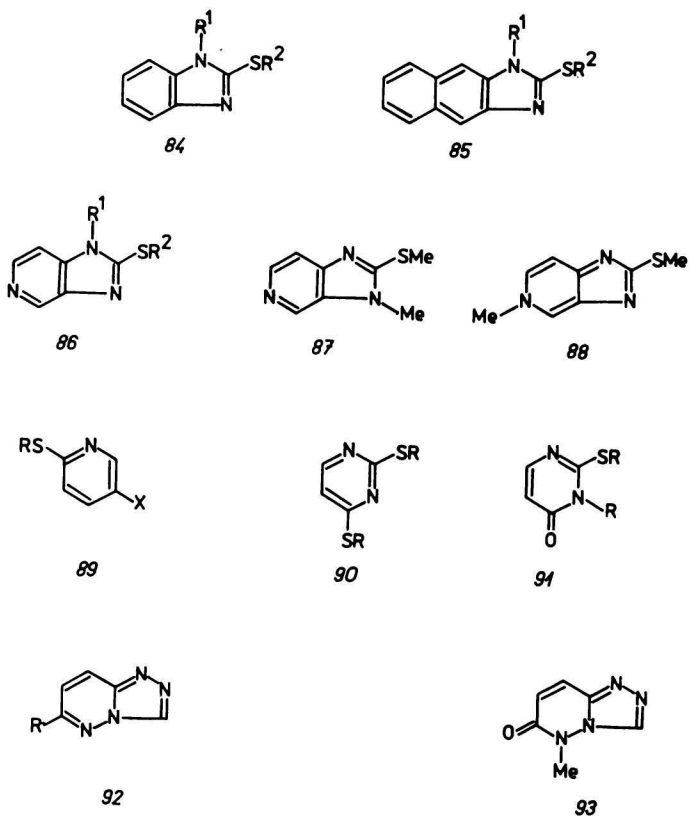
Scheme 12



Scheme 13

	R <sup>1</sup>	R <sup>2</sup>	R <sup>3</sup>	R <sup>4</sup>
<i>a</i>	H	H	H	H
<i>b</i>	H	H	H	Me
<i>c</i>	SH	H	H	H
<i>d</i>	H	SH	H	H
<i>e</i>	SH	H	Me	H
<i>f</i>	H	H	SH	H
<i>g</i>	SH	SH	H	H
<i>h</i>	SMe	H	H	Me
<i>i</i>	H	SMe	H	Me
<i>j</i>	SMe	H	Me	Me
<i>k</i>	H	H	SMe	Me
<i>l</i>	SMe	SMe	H	Me
<i>m</i>	H	NH <sub>2</sub>	H	H
<i>n</i>	H	N=CHNMe	H	Me
<i>o</i>	SMe	H	Me	H

Scheme 13 (Continued)



Scheme 14

NH, OH, and SH (or potential SH), and NH and OH (or potential OH) groups [53]. In this respect, *N*-methylated benzimidazoles 79, 1-methyl- (80) and 2-methylbenzotriazoles (81), 7-methyl- 82*b* and 9-methylpurines (83*b*) were isolated (Scheme 13). The compounds with NH and SH (or potential SH) groups, such as 1*H*,3*H*-benzimidazole-2-thione and 1*H*,3*H*-naphth[2,3-*d*]imidazole-2-thione underwent selective *S*-methylation to give first the corresponding *S*-methylated products 84 ( $R^1 = \text{H}$ ,  $R^2 = \text{CH}_3$ ) and 85 ( $R^1 = \text{H}$ ,  $R^2 = \text{CH}_3$ ) and on prolonged reaction the *N,S*-dimethyl derivatives 84 ( $R^1 = R^2 = \text{CH}_3$ ), while methylation of purinethiones gave a mixture of *S*,7- and *S*,9-dimethyl derivatives 82*h*—*l* and 83*h*—*l*; *N*-methylation thus taking place exclusively on the imidazole ring. Adenine methylated at *N*-7 and *N*-9, and in addition, 6-amino group was transformed into *N,N*-dimethylaminomethyleneamino group to give 82*n* and 83*n*. With 1*H*,3*H*-imidazo[4,5-*c*]pyrimidine-2-thione selective *S*-methylation was achieved only when the reaction was stopped immediately after the solid starting material dissolved. On prolonged heating a mixture of 1-methyl-2-methylthio 86 ( $R^1 = R^2 = \text{CH}_3$ ), 3-methyl-2-methylthio 87, and 5-methyl-2-methylthio derivative 88 was isolated (Scheme 14). This system is the only exception in which *N*-methylation was observed to take place also in the six-membered ring. Other thiones and dithiones methylated exclusively at sulfur affording *S*-methylated and bis-*S*-methylated products 89 and 90. Thiouracil methylated at sulfur and nitrogen to give 3-methyl-2-methylthio-3*H*-pyrimid-4-one (91) [53], contrary to the results obtained recently with trimethyl phosphate in the presence of triethylamine [54].

The compounds with the OH (or potential OH) group attached to the heterocyclic ring methylated usually at nitrogen. An exception was 5-hydroxy-*s*-triazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridazine (92,  $R = \text{OH}$ ), which methylated at oxygen to give the corresponding 6-methoxy derivative 92 ( $R = \text{OCH}_3$ ), and not *N*-methyl product 93 [53].

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