

# Synthesis of 2-[4-Aryl(hetaryl, cyclopropyl)thiazol-2-yl]-3-hetarylacrylonitriles by Recyclizations of 2,6-Diamino-4-hetaryl-4H-thiopyran-3,5-dicarbonitriles with $\alpha$ -Bromoketones

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**Abstract**—Recyclization of 2,6-diamino-4-hetaryl-4H-thiopyran-3,5-dicarbonitriles with  $\alpha$ -bromoketones afforded 2-[4-aryl(hetaryl, cyclopropyl)thiazol-2-yl]-3-hetarylacrylonitriles.

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2,6-Diamino-4-aryl(hetaryl)-3,5-dicyano-4H-thiopyrans synthesized by reacting aryl(hetaryl)methylidene-malononitriles with cyanothioacetamide are known to transform into 6-amino-4-aryl(hetaryl)-3,5-dicyanopyridine-2(1*H*)-thiones when refluxing in ethanol in the presence of amine [1–4]. In an aqueous ethanol this reaction resulted in the formation of 4-aryl-6-hydroxy-3,5-dicyanopyridine-2(1*H*)-thiones [5–7]. Cross-recyclization of these thiopyrans afforded 4-aryl-2,6-dihydrazino-3,5-dicyanopyridines (in the presence of two-fold excess of hydrazine) [8], substituted 3-(1-pyridinium)-5-cyano-3,4-*trans*-1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyridine-6-thiolates (in the presence of an equimolar amount of pyridinium ylides) [9], substituted 2-amino-4-aryl-7,7-dimethyl-5-oxo-3-cyano-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-benzo[*b*]-pyrans (in the presence of dimedone) [10], and 4-aryl-5,6-tri(tetra)methylene-3-cyanopyridine-2(1*H*)-thiones (in the presence of cycloalkanones enamines) [11, 12].

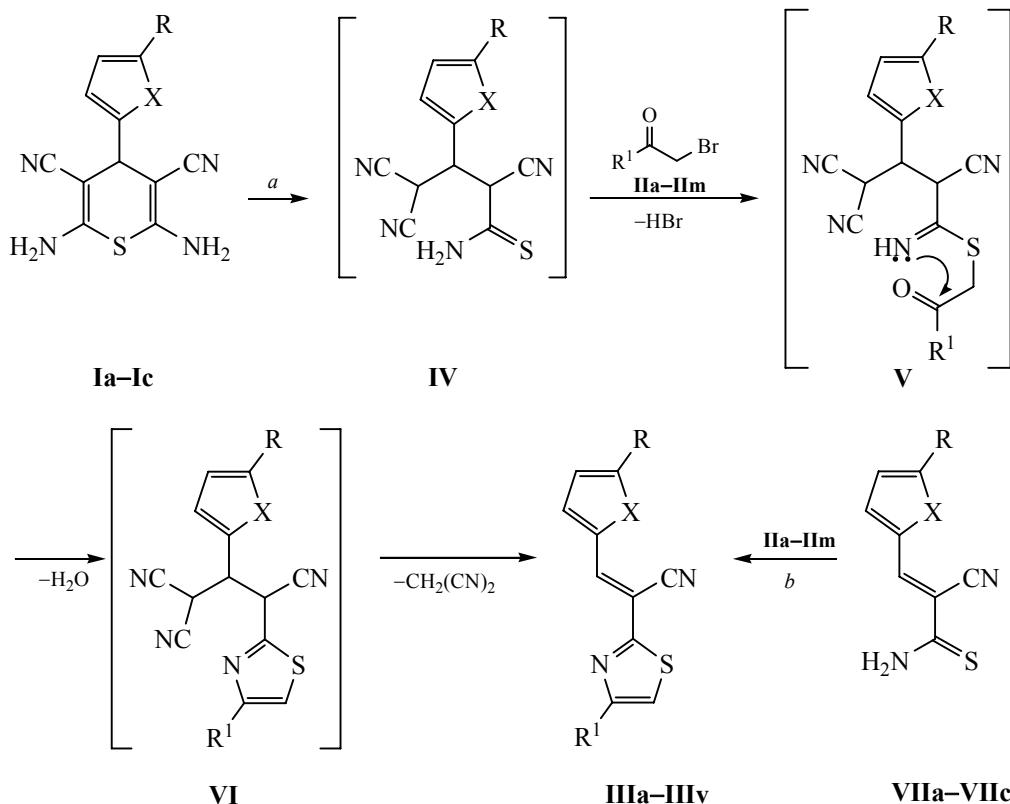
Further developing our previous studies on the chemistry 4H-thiopyrans [13–16], here we report on the recyclization of substituted 2,6-diamino-4-[2-furyl-(thienyl)]-4H-thiopyran-3,5-dicarbonitriles **Ia–Ic** with  $\alpha$ -bromoketones **IIa–IIo** in boiling 2-propanol in the presence of triethylamine.

The products of this transformation were 2-[4-aryl(hetaryl, cyclopropyl)thiazol-2-yl]-3-hetarylacrylonitriles **IIIa–IIIv** (Tables 1, 2).

The reaction probably comprises the thiopyran ring opening under the action of temperature and a catalyst to form the corresponding intermediates **IV**, which were regioselectively alkylated with  $\alpha$ -bromoketones **IIa–IIo** to yield compounds **V**. The latter underwent intramolecular condensation to the Hantzsch thiazoles **VI** followed by malonodinitrile elimination and the formation of substituted acrylonitriles **IIIa–IIIv** (method *a*). This reaction pathway was proved by replacing  $\alpha$ -bromo ketones **II** with alkyl halides without carbonyl function, which led to the retention of malonodinitrile moiety in the molecules of intermediates **V** and to pyridine ring formation [15] (Scheme 1).

The structures of compounds **IIIa–IIIv** were confirmed by IR and  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectroscopy data (Table 2) as well as by authentic Hantzsch synthesis starting from acrylic acid thioamides **VIIa–VIIc** and  $\alpha$ -bromo ketones **IIa–IIo** (method *b*). For example, in the IR spectra of acrylonitriles **IIIa–IIIv** there were characteristic absorption bands of the stretching vibrations of the conjugated cyano group in the range of 2202–2229  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra contained the signals of the vinyl moiety and  $\text{H}^5$  of the thiazole ring, which is typical for this class of compounds [17] as well as the proton signals of aromatic substituents. The value of the molecular ion peak in the mass spectrum

Scheme 1.



**I, VII, R = H, X = O (**a**), Me, O (**b**), H, S (**c**); **II, R<sup>1</sup>** = cyclopropyl (**a**), 6,8-dibromocoumarin-3-yl (**b**), 4-BuC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> (**c**); 4-PhC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> (**d**), coumarin-3-yl (**e**), 4-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> (**f**), 3,4-Cl<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub> (**g**), 2-HOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> (**h**), Ph (**i**), 2,4-Me<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub> (**j**), 4-ClC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> (**k**), 4-BrC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> (**l**), 4-MeOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> (**m**); **III, R = H, X = O, R<sup>1</sup>** = cyclopropyl (**a**), 6,8-dibromocoumarin-3-yl (**b**), 4-BuC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> (**c**), 4-PhC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> (**d**), coumarin-3-yl (**e**), 4-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> (**f**), 3,4-Cl<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub> (**g**), 2-HOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> (**h**); **R = Me, X = O, R<sup>1</sup> = 4-BuC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> (**i**), Ph (**j**), cyclopropyl (**k**), 4-PhC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> (**l**), 2,4-Me<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub> (**m**), coumarin-3-yl (**n**), 4-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> (**o**), 3,4-Cl<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub> (**p**), 4-ClC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> (**q**), 4-BrC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> (**r**); **R = H, X = S, R<sup>1</sup>** = cyclopropyl (**s**), 4-PhC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> (**t**), coumarin-3-yl (**u**), 4-MeOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> (**v**)).****

of compound **IIIh** corresponded to the “nitrogen rule” [18], and the existence of the ion  $[M + 2]^+$  indicated the presence of the sulfur atom in the molecule [19].

When comparing the yields of the compounds **III** prepared according to the methods *a* and *b* it is seen (Table 1) that in the first case they are smaller obviously due to occurrence of the side reactions. The method *a* possesses a special synthetic importance because in some cases the aryl(hetaryl)methylidene-cyanothioacetamides, which are necessary for the Hantzsch method implementing, failed to be isolated because of their easy dimerization [20], and alkylmethylidenecyanothioacetamides are hitherto unknown. Note that the organic compounds containing thiazole moiety are of special interest due to their wide occurrence in nature [21]. In particular, 4-(3-cou-

marinyl)thiazoles are known as phosphors [22], and 5-arylthiazoles show fungicidal [23], antiviral [24, 25] and anti-enzymatic [26, 27] activity.

## EXPERIMENTAL

IR spectra were recorded on a X-29 spectrometer (from mulls in mineral oil). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of the DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> or CDCl<sub>3</sub> solutions were registered on a Bruker WP-100SY (100 MHz, **IIIa, IIIc–IIIf, IIIk–IIIu**), Gemini-200 (200 MHz, **IIIv**), Bruker AM-300 (300 MHz, **IIb**), Varian Mercury-400 (400 MHz, **IIIi, IIIj**), Bruker DR-500 (500 MHz, **IIIh**), and Bruker AM-300 (300 MHz, **IIIg**) spectrometers, internal reference TMS. Mass spectra were taken on a Kratos MS-890 spectrometer (EI, 70 eV) with a direct input of the sample into the ion source. Melting points were determined on a Koeffler heating block. The reaction

**Table 1.** Yields, melting points, and elemental analysis data of compounds **IIIa–IIIv**

Comp. no.	Yield, %, method <i>a/b</i>	mp, °C	Found, %			Formula	Calculated, %		
			C	H	N		C	H	N
<b>IIIa</b>	61/75	82	64.32	4.08	11.47	$C_{13}H_{10}N_2OS$	64.44	4.16	11.56
<b>IIIb</b>	68/74	218–220	45.01	1.42	5.45	$C_{19}H_8Br_2N_2O_3S$	45.27	1.60	5.56
<b>IIIc</b>	70/81	70–72	71.72	5.31	8.25	$C_{20}H_{18}N_2OS$	71.83	5.43	8.38
<b>IIId</b>	75/88	169–171	74.33	4.11	7.75	$C_{22}H_{14}N_2OS$	74.55	3.98	7.90
<b>IIIe</b>	69/76	219–221	65.77	3.04	7.96	$C_{19}H_{10}N_2O_3S$	65.89	2.91	8.09
<b>IIIf</b>	65/70	139–141	69.72	3.99	9.41	$C_{17}H_{12}N_2OS$	69.84	4.14	9.58
<b>IIIg</b>	78/90	170–172	55.20	2.11	7.89	$C_{16}H_8Cl_2N_2OS$	55.35	2.32	8.07
<b>IIIh</b>	60/72	169–170	65.14	3.31	9.37	$C_{16}H_{10}N_2O_2S$	65.29	3.42	9.52
<b>IIIi</b>	73/88	91–93	72.24	5.66	7.95	$C_{21}H_{20}N_2OS$	72.38	5.79	8.04
<b>IIIj</b>	64/78	128–130	69.70	3.96	9.42	$C_{17}H_{12}N_2OS$	69.84	4.14	9.58
<b>IIIk</b>	61/70	70–71	65.57	4.62	10.80	$C_{14}H_{12}N_2OS$	65.60	4.72	10.93
<b>IIIl</b>	85/91	161–163	75.09	4.22	7.48	$C_{23}H_{16}N_2OS$	74.98	4.38	7.60
<b>IIIm</b>	62/80	110–112	71.06	4.91	8.65	$C_{19}H_{16}N_2OS$	71.22	5.03	8.74
<b>IIIn</b>	73/84	173–175	66.48	3.19	7.58	$C_{20}H_{12}N_2O_3S$	66.66	3.36	7.77
<b>IIIo</b>	69/75	138–140	70.42	4.55	8.97	$C_{18}H_{14}N_2OS$	70.56	4.61	9.14
<b>IIIp</b>	61/77	145–147	56.39	2.84	7.66	$C_{17}H_{10}Cl_2N_2OS$	56.52	2.79	7.75
<b>IIIq</b>	72/84	141–143	62.37	3.22	8.42	$C_{17}H_{11}ClN_2OS$	62.48	3.39	8.57
<b>IIIr</b>	65/80	133–135	54.86	3.07	7.38	$C_{17}H_{11}BrN_2OS$	55.00	2.99	7.55
<b>III s</b>	79/80	105–107	60.29	3.77	10.71	$C_{13}H_{10}N_2S_2$	60.44	3.90	10.84
<b>III t</b>	84/93	190–191	71.28	3.66	7.43	$C_{22}H_{14}N_2S_2$	71.32	3.81	7.56
<b>III u</b>	66/72	215–217	62.86	2.59	7.64	$C_{19}H_{10}N_2O_2S_2$	62.97	2.78	7.73
<b>III v</b>	64/69	153–155	62.81	3.62	8.54	$C_{17}H_{12}N_2OS_2$	62.94	3.73	8.63

**Table 2.** Parameters of IR and  $^1H$  NMR spectra of compounds **IIIa–IIIv**

Comp. no.	$\nu(C\equiv N,$ $C=O), \text{cm}^{-1}$	$\delta_H, \text{ppm } (J, \text{Hz})$	
		$\text{CH}=(1\text{H}, \text{s}),$ $\text{H}_5^{\text{thiazole}}(1\text{H}, \text{s})$	Other signals
<b>IIIa</b>	2211	7.96, 7.38	0.78–1.06 m (4H, 2 $\text{CH}_2$ ), 2.11 m (1H, CH), 6.74 d.d (1H, H <sup>4</sup> , furan, <i>J</i> 2.4, <i>J</i> 3.1), 7.31 d (1H, H <sup>3</sup> , furan, <i>J</i> 2.9), 8.09 d (1H, H <sup>5</sup> , furan, <i>J</i> 1.2)
<b>IIIb</b>	2215, 1718	8.12, 8.05	6.79 d.d (1H, H <sup>4</sup> , furan, <i>J</i> 2.9, <i>J</i> 2.9), 7.32 d (1H, H <sup>3</sup> , furan, <i>J</i> 2.9), 7.99 d (1H, H <sup>5</sup> , furan, <i>J</i> 1.2), 8.01 s (1H, H <sup>7</sup> , coumarin), 8.48 s (1H, H <sup>5</sup> , coumarin), 8.81 s (1H, H <sup>4</sup> , coumarin)
<b>IIIc</b>	2229	8.16, 8.07	0.89 t (3H, CH <sub>3</sub> , <i>J</i> 7.2), 1.11–1.72 m (4H, 2 $\text{CH}_2$ ), 2.60 t (2H, CH <sub>2</sub> , <i>J</i> 6.0), 6.83 d.d (1H, H <sup>4</sup> , furan, <i>J</i> 2.4, <i>J</i> 2.9), 7.37 d (1H, H <sup>3</sup> , furan, <i>J</i> 2.9), 7.26 d (2H, H <sub>Ar</sub> , <i>J</i> 7.0), 7.91 d (2H, H <sub>Ar</sub> , <i>J</i> 7.0), 8.00 d (1H, H <sup>5</sup> , furan, <i>J</i> 1.2)
<b>IIId</b>	2220	8.27, 8.15	6.82 d.d (1H, H <sup>4</sup> , furan, <i>J</i> 2.4, <i>J</i> 3.2), 7.31 d (1H, H <sup>3</sup> , furan, <i>J</i> 2.9), 7.35–7.49 m (3H, H <sub>Ar</sub> ), 7.55–7.72 m (2H, H <sub>Ar</sub> ), 7.77 d (2H, H <sub>Ar</sub> , <i>J</i> 7.1), 8.01 d (2H, H <sub>Ar</sub> , <i>J</i> 7.1), 8.07 d (1H, H <sup>5</sup> , furan, <i>J</i> 1.2)
<b>IIIe</b>	2219, 1722	8.44, 8.14	6.81 d.d (1H, H <sup>4</sup> , furan, <i>J</i> 2.4, <i>J</i> 3.0), 7.21–7.47 m (3H, H <sup>6,7</sup> , coumarin; H <sup>3</sup> , furan), 7.62 d (1H, H <sup>8</sup> , coumarin, <i>J</i> 8.0), 7.86 d (1H, H <sup>5</sup> , coumarin, <i>J</i> 8.0), 8.01 d (1H, H <sup>5</sup> , furan, <i>J</i> 1.2), 8.77 s (1H, H <sup>4</sup> , coumarin)

**Table 2.** (Contd.)

Comp. no.	$\nu(\text{C}\equiv\text{N},$ $\text{C}=\text{O}), \text{cm}^{-1}$	$\delta_{\text{H}}$ , ppm ( $J$ , Hz)	
		$\text{CH}=(1\text{H}, \text{s}),$ $\text{H}_{\text{thiazole}}^5 (1\text{H}, \text{s})$	Other signals
<b>IIIf</b>	2202	8.23, 8.12	2.4 s (3H, $\text{CH}_3$ ), 6.83 d.d (1H, $\text{H}^4$ , furan, $J 2.4, J 3.1$ ), 7.33 d (1H, $\text{H}^3$ , furan, $J 2.8$ ), 7.28 d (2H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , $J 7.7$ ), 7.91 d (2H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , $J 7.7$ ), 8.01 d (1H, $\text{H}^5$ , furan, $J 1.3$ )
<b>IIIg</b>	2215	8.06, 8.02	7.24 d.d (1H, $\text{H}^4$ , furan, $J 2.4, J 2.4$ ), 7.55 s (1H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ ), 7.69 d (1H, $\text{H}^3$ , furan, $J 2.8$ ), 7.72 d (1H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , $J 7.4$ ), 7.76 d (1H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , $J 7.4$ ), 7.91 d (1H, $\text{H}^5$ , furan, $J 1.3$ )
<b>IIIh</b>	3606 (OH), 2227	8.18, 7.93	6.70 d.d (1H, $\text{H}^4$ , furan, $J 1.8, J 2.0$ ), 6.83–6.96 m (3H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ ), 7.15 t (1H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , $J 7.0$ ), 7.32 d (1H, $\text{H}^3$ , furan, $J 3.6$ ), 8.07 d (1H, $\text{H}^5$ , furan, $J 1.3$ ), 10.37 br. s (1H, OH)
<b>IIIi</b>	2216	8.11, 8.04	0.88 t (3H, $\text{CH}_3$ , $J 7.3$ ), 1.14–1.72 m (4H, $2\text{CH}_2$ ), 2.41 s (3H, $\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.58 t (2H, $\text{CH}_2$ , $J 7.1$ ), 6.46 d (1H, $\text{H}^3$ , furan, $J 2.9$ ), 7.24 d (1H, $\text{H}^4$ , furan, $J 2.9$ ), 7.28 d (2H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , $J 7.1$ ), 7.89 d (2H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , $J 7.1$ )
<b>IIIj</b>	2220	8.22, 8.07	2.43 s (3H, $\text{CH}_3$ ), 6.49 d (1H, $\text{H}^4$ , furan, $J 2.9$ ), 7.28 d (1H, $\text{H}^3$ , furan, $J 2.9$ ), 7.39 t (1H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , $J 6.9$ ), 7.47 t (2H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , $J 6.9$ ), 8.02 d (2H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , $J 7.0$ )
<b>IIIk</b>	2219	7.87, 7.36	0.81–1.07 m (4H, $2\text{CH}_2$ ), 1.99–2.27 m (1H, CH), 2.42 s (3H, $\text{CH}_3$ ), 6.47 d (1H, $\text{H}^4$ , furan, $J 2.9$ ), 7.24 d (1H, $\text{H}^3$ , furan, $J 2.9$ )
<b>IIIl</b>	2203	8.25, 8.00	2.44 s (3H, $\text{CH}_3$ ), 6.51 d (1H, $\text{H}^4$ , furan, $J 3.0$ ), 7.31 d (1H, $\text{H}^3$ , furan, $J 3.0$ ), 7.41–7.62 m (2H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ ), 7.68–7.89 m (5H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ ), 8.08 d (2H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , $J 7.6$ )
<b>IIIm</b>	2214	7.98, 7.79	2.31 s (3H, $\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.42 s (6H, $2\text{CH}_3$ ), 6.48 d (1H, $\text{H}^4$ , furan, $J 3.0$ ), 7.08 d (1H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , $J 8.5$ ), 7.12 s (1H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ ), 7.26 d (1H, $\text{H}^3$ , furan, $J 3.0$ ), 7.54 d (1H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , $J 8.5$ )
<b>IIIIn</b>	2202, 1719	8.44, 8.06	2.44 s (3H, $\text{CH}_3$ ), 6.52 d (1H, $\text{H}^4$ , furan, $J 3.0$ ), 7.26 d (1H, $\text{H}^3$ , furan, $J 3.0$ ), 7.38 t (1H, $\text{H}^7$ , coumarin, $J 8.0$ ), 7.43 d (1H, $\text{H}^5$ , coumarin, $J 8.0$ ), 7.24 t (1H, $\text{H}^6$ , coumarin, $J 8.0$ ), 7.91 d (1H, $\text{H}^8$ , coumarin, $J 8.0$ ), 8.81 s (1H, $\text{H}^4$ , coumarin)
<b>IIIo</b>	2211	8.10, 8.03	2.34 s (3H, $\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.42 s (3H, $\text{CH}_3$ ), 6.48 d (1H, $\text{H}^4$ , furan, $J 3.0$ ), 7.19 d (1H, $\text{H}^3$ , furan, $J 3.0$ ), 7.24 d (2H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , $J 7.7$ ), 7.89 d (2H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , $J 7.7$ )
<b>IIIp</b>	2218	8.24, 8.15	6.49 d (1H, $\text{H}^4$ , furan, $J 3.0$ ), 2.45 s (3H, $\text{CH}_3$ ), 7.32 d (1H, $\text{H}^3$ , furan, $J 3.0$ ), 7.67 d (1H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , $J 8.4$ ), 7.98 d (1H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , $J 8.4$ ), 8.10 s (1H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ )
<b>IIIq</b>	2209	8.24, 8.01	2.43 s (3H, $\text{CH}_3$ ), 6.52 d (1H, $\text{H}^4$ , furan, $J 3.1$ ), 7.28 d (1H, $\text{H}^3$ , furan, $J 3.1$ ), 7.51 d (2H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , $J 8.6$ ), 7.98 d (2H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , $J 8.6$ )
<b>IIIr</b>	2214	8.26, 8.05	2.43 s (3H, $\text{CH}_3$ ), 6.51 d (1H, $\text{H}^4$ , furan, $J 2.9$ ), 7.29 d (1H, $\text{H}^3$ , furan, $J 2.9$ ), 7.65 d (2H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , $J 7.5$ ), 7.95 d (2H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , $J 7.5$ )
<b>IIIs</b>	2228	8.41, 7.38	0.85–1.07 m (4H, $2\text{CH}_2$ ), 1.99–2.34 m (1H, CH), 7.29 d.d (1H, $\text{H}^4$ , thiophene, $J 6.1, J 4.5$ ), 7.93 d (1H, $\text{H}^3$ , thiophene, $J 4.6$ ), 8.03 d (1H, $\text{H}^5$ , thiophene, $J 3.7$ )
<b>IIIt</b>	2226	8.64, 8.33	6.92 d (2H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , $J 8.4$ ), 7.28–7.54 m (4H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ ), 7.69–8.21 m (6H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ )
<b>IIIu</b>	2221, 1712	8.51, 8.47	7.22–7.48 m (2H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ ), 7.59–7.66 m (1H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ ), 7.78 m (3H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ ), 8.04 d (1H, $\text{H}^5$ , thiophene, $J 3.8$ ), 8.74 s (1H, $\text{H}^4$ , coumarin)
<b>IIIv</b>	2217	8.44, 8.15	3.84 s (3H, $\text{CH}_3$ ), 7.17 d (2H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , $J 8.0$ ), 7.32 d.d (1H, $\text{H}^4$ , thiophene, $J 5.8, J 3.4$ ), 7.91 d (1H, $\text{H}^3$ , thiophene, $J 4.5$ ), 8.04 d (2H, $\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , $J 8.0$ ), 8.22 d (1H, $\text{H}^5$ , thiophene, $J 3.7$ )

progress and the purity of the obtained compounds were monitored by TLC on Silufol UV-254 plates, eluting with acetone–hexane (3:5) and detecting with iodine vapor or UV irradiation.

2,6-Diamino-4-hetaryl-4*H*-thiopyran-3,5-dicarbonitriles **Ia–Ic** and 3-hetarylmethylenecyanothioacet-

amides **VIIa–VIIc** were prepared by the procedures reported in [28] and [29], respectively.

**2-[4-Aryl(hetaryl, cyclopropyl)thiazol-2-yl]-3-hetarylacrylonitriles (IIIa–IIIv).** *a.* A mixture of 10 mmol of thiopyran **I**, 10 mmol of  $\alpha$ -bromoketone **II**, and 1.4 mL (10 mmol) of triethylamine in 25 mL of

2-propanol was refluxed for 8 h and filtered. After 48 h the precipitate was separated, washed with 2-propanol and hexane, and recrystallized from butanol.

*b.* A mixture of 10 mmol of acrylic acid thioamide **VII** and 10 mmol of  $\alpha$ -bromoketone **II** in 25 mL of DMF was stirred at 20°C for 30 min and then left standing for 24 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with an equal volume of water, and the resulting precipitate was filtered off. The melting points and  $R_f$  values of compounds **IIIa–IIIv** obtained were identical to those of the samples synthesized by the method *a*.

Mass spectrum of compound **IIIh**,  $m/z$  ( $I_{rel}$ , %): 296 [ $M + 2$ ]<sup>+</sup> (4), 295 [ $M + 1$ ]<sup>+</sup> (16), 293 [ $M - 1$ ]<sup>+</sup> (15), 266 (14), 253 (95), 240 (31), 121 (75), 89 (27), 77 (22), 63 (20), 51 (14), 39 (13).

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