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An Efficient, Clean, and Catalyst-Free Synthesis of Fused Pyrimidines Using Sonochemistry

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In this report, synthesis of indenopyrido[2,3-*d*]pyrimidine and pyrimido[4,5-*b*]quinoline derivatives was investigated via one-pot three-component reaction between 6-amino-2-(alkylthio)-pyrimidin-4(3*H*)one, 1,3-indanedione, or 1,3-cyclohexadione and arylaldehyde under ultrasonic irradiation in ethylene glycol as solvent at 65°C. In these reactions fused pyrimidine derivatives were synthesized with high to excellent yields (82–97%) and short reaction times (10–33 min).

1. Introduction

Pyrimidine structural moiety constitutes a major class of heterocyclic compounds which have various pharmaceutical applications. For example, they are found to possess antineoplastic [1–3], antiviral [4–6], antibiotic [7], and anti-inflammatory properties [8]. Pyrimidines also exhibit a range of pharmacological activities such as antibacterial [9–11], antifungal [12, 13], anticancer [14, 15], and cardioprotective effects [16]. Bicyclic and tricyclic fused pyrimidine derivatives have received much attention in connection with biologically significant systems such as pyrido[2,3-*d*]pyrimidines. Pyrido[2,3-*d*]pyrimidine structural motif is present in pirenperone (tranquilizer) [17] and ramastine (antiallergic) [18], as well as in some antiulcerative and antiasthmatic agents [19]. In addition, quinolines have pharmacological properties which include wide applications in medicinal chemistry; for example, this scaffold structure is present in anti-inflammatory agents, antimalarial drugs, and antihypertensive, antiasthmatic, antibacterial, and tyrosine kinase inhibiting agents [20–25].

Moreover the importance of uracil and its annulated derivatives is well recognized by synthetic [26, 27] as well as biological [28, 29] chemists. The 6-amino-uracil derivatives represent very important classes of functionalized uracils; also 6-amino-uracils find wide applications

as starting materials for the synthesis of a number of fused uracils of biological significance, for example, pyrano-, pyrido-, pyrazolo-, pyrimido-, and pyridazinopyrimidines [30, 31].

On the other hand, ultrasonic reactions have been increasingly used as clean, green, and environmentally benign routes for the preparation of organic compounds of synthetic and biological values [32–37]. A large number of organic reactions can be carried out in higher yield, shorter reaction time, and under milder conditions, by using ultrasonic irradiation [38–41].

These observations led us to attempt the synthesis of some new fused pyrimidine derivatives using 6-aminoalkyltiouracil as starting material under sonochemical conditions. The present work describes our approach for the synthesis of polyfunctional pyrimidines using green chemistry.

2. Experimental

2.1. Chemicals and Apparatus. Melting points were measured on an electrothermal 9100 apparatus. IR spectra were determined on a Shimadzo IR-470 spectrometer. ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on a 400 MHz Bruker DRX-400 in DMSO-d₆ as solvent and TMS as an internal standard. Chemical shifts on ¹H and ¹³C NMR were

expressed in ppm downfield from tetramethylsilane. Sonication was performed in Elmasonic S 40H ultrasonic cleaning unit. Elemental analyses were carried out on a Carlo-Erba EA1110CNNO-S analyser and agreed with the calculated values. All the chemicals were purchased from Merck and used without further purification. All solvents used were dried and distilled according to standard procedures.

2.2. General Procedure for the Synthesis of (4a–r). A mixture of equimolar amounts of 6-amino-2-(alkylthio)pyrimidin-4(3H)-one **1** (1 mmol), 1,3-indanedione **2** (1 mmol), or 1,3-cyclohexadione **5** and aldehydes **3** (1 mmol) in ethylene glycol (5 mL) was placed in a Pyrex-glass open vessel and irradiated at 65°C by ultrasonic irradiations (40 kHz) (for conventional conditions, the reaction mixture was heated under reflux conditions). The progress of the reaction was monitored by TLC (EtOAc/petroleum ether 8 : 4). After completion of reaction, the mixture was concentrated and cooled. The solid obtained was filtered off and recrystallized from EtOH/H₂O (1/1) to furnish the desired pure product.

2.3. Spectral Data for the Products

2.3.1. 5-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2-(methylthio)-3H-indeno[5,6:1',2']pyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidine-4,6(5H,1IH)-dione (4a). Red Powder; M.p.: >300°C; IR (KBr) ν_{max} = 3448, 3410, 3271, 3062, 2932, 1680, 1653, 1585, 1541, 1502, 1452, 1350, 1271, 1078, 899, 742, 707 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ = 2.60 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.82 (s, 1H, CH), 7.30–7.25 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 7.36 (t, 1H, J = 7.40 Hz, Ar-H), 7.45 (t, 1H, J = 7.40 Hz, Ar-H), 7.79 (d, 1H, J = 7.20 Hz, Ar-H), 11.13 (br s, 1H, NH), 12.60 (br s, 1H, CO-NH) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ = 13.3 (Me), 34.2 (CH), 99.9, 107.9, 120.4, 120.9, 128.4, 130.1, 130.8, 131.2, 132.4, 133.6, 136.6, 137.5, 144.8, 153.5, 155.8, 161.5 (CONH), 191.1 (C=O) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₁H₁₄ClN₃O₂S (407.87): C, 61.84; H, 3.46; N, 10.30%; Found: C, 61.95; H, 3.31; N, 10.43%.

2.3.2. 2-(Methylthio)-5-phenyl-3H-indeno[5,6:1',2']pyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidine-4,6 (5H,1IH)-dione (4b). Red Powder; M.p.: >300°C; IR (KBr) ν_{max} = 3448, 3040, 2922, 2851, 1685, 1647, 1582, 1537, 1500, 1456, 1358, 1273, 742, 702 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ = 2.60 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.82 (s, 1H, CH), 7.15–7.11 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 7.26–7.21 (m, 4H, Ar-H), 7.34 (t, 2H, J = 7.40 Hz, Ar-H), 7.44 (t, 1H, J = 7.60 Hz, Ar-H), 7.78 (d, 1H, J = 7.20 Hz, Ar-H), 11.07 (br s, 1H, NH), 12.55 (br s, 1H, CO-NH) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ = 13.3 (Me), 34.5 (CH), 100.0, 108.5, 120.3, 120.8, 126.6, 127.4, 128.2, 128.5, 130.6, 132.3, 133.7, 136.7, 146.0, 153.3, 155.7, 162.5 (CONH), 191.1 (C=O) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₁H₁₅N₃O₂S (373.43); C, 67.54; H, 4.05; N, 11.25%; Found: C, 67.39; H, 4.12; N, 11.12%.

2.3.3. 5-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-(methylthio)-3H-indeno[5,6:1',2']pyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidine-4,6 (5H,1IH)-dione (4c). Red Powder; M.p.: >300°C; IR (KBr): ν_{max} = 3380, 3300, 3100, 3080, 2920, 2820, 1690, 1640, 1618, 1558, 1498, 1440, 1348, 1270, 1070,

850, 800, 760 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ = 2.60 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.80 (s, 1H, CH), 7.21 (d, 2H, J = 7.60 Hz, Ar-H), 7.26 (d, 1H, J = 6.80 Hz, Ar-H), 7.35 (t, 1H, J = 7.20 Hz, Ar-H), 7.42 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.79 (d, 1H, J = 6.80 Hz, Ar-H), 11.12 (br s, 1H, NH), 12.58 (br s, 1H, CO-NH) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ : 13.3 (Me), 34.3 (CH), 99.9, 107.8, 119.7, 120.4, 120.9, 129.6, 130.5, 130.8, 131.3, 132.4, 133.6, 136.6, 145.2, 155.8, 162.1 (CONH), 191.1 (C=O) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₁H₁₄BrN₃O₂S (452.32): C, 55.76; H, 3.12; N, 9.29%; Found: C, 55.63; H, 3.01; N, 9.38%.

2.3.4. 5-(4-Fluorophenyl)-2-(methylthio)-3H-indeno[5,6:1',2']pyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidine-4,6 (5H,1IH)-dione (4d). Red Powder; M.p.: >300°C; IR (KBr): ν_{max} = 3440, 3400, 3026, 2921, 2840, 1677, 1641, 1602, 1578, 1539, 1493, 1458, 1357, 1275, 1149, 843, 798, 748, 709 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ = 2.60 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.83 (s, 1H, CH), 7.07–7.01 (m, 4H, Ar-H), 7.26 (d, 2H, J = 6.40 Hz, Ar-H), 7.35 (t, 1H, J = 7.40 Hz, Ar-H), 7.45 (t, 1H, J = 7.20 Hz, Ar-H), 7.79 (d, 1H, J = 7.20 Hz, Ar-H), 11.10 (br s, 1H, NH), 12.56 (br s, 1H, CO-NH) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ = 13.3 (Me), 34.0 (CH), 99.6, 108.1, 114.9 (d, ²J_{C-F} = 21.0 Hz), 120.3, 120.7, 129.9 (d, ³J_{C-F} = 8.0 Hz), 130.6, 132.1, 133.9, 136.8, 142.6, 153.3, 156.1, 158.9, 160.6 (d, ¹J_{C-F} = 240.0 Hz), 191.0 (C=O) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₁H₁₄FN₃O₂S (391.42): C, 64.44; H, 3.61; N, 10.74%; Found: C, 64.38; H, 3.62; N, 10.85%.

2.3.5. 5-(2-Bromophenyl)-2-(methylthio)-3H-indeno[5,6:1',2']pyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidine-4,6 (5H,1IH)-dione (4e). Red Powder; M.p.: >300°C; IR (KBr): ν_{max} = 3350, 3300, 3110, 3080, 2920, 2820, 1690, 1645, 1618, 1558, 1498, 1440, 1347, 1270, 1070, 895, 845, 800, 760, 710 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ = 2.60 (s, 3H, CH₃), 5.24 (s, 1H, CH), 7.06 (dt, 1H, J = 8.40 Hz, 2.2 Hz, Ar-H), 7.28–7.21 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.35 (t, 1H, J = 7.40 Hz, Ar-H), 7.48–7.43 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.80 (d, 1H, J = 7.20 Hz, Ar-H), 11.11 (br s, 1H, NH), 12.26 (br s, 1H, CO-NH), ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ = 13.3 (Me), 35.7 (CH), 100.0, 107.8, 120.4, 120.7, 123.4, 128.1, 128.4, 130.7, 132.0, 132.2, 132.8, 133.6, 136.6, 136.7, 144.9, 153.7, 155.6, 162.1 (CONH), 190.7 (C=O) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₁H₁₄BrN₃O₂S (452.32): C, 55.76; H, 3.12; N, 9.29%. Found: C, 55.83; H, 3.08; N, 9.45%.

2.3.6. 5-(2-Chlorophenyl)-2-(methylthio)-3H-indeno[5,6:1',2']pyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidine-4,6 (5H,1IH)-dione (4f). Red Powder; M.p.: >300°C; IR (KBr): ν_{max} = 3460, 3385, 3120, 3060, 2930, 2854, 1685, 1649, 1616, 1580, 1541, 1502, 1445, 1345, 1277, 1078, 893, 764 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ = 2.60 (s, 3H, CH₃), 5.24 (s, 1H, CH), 7.15 (d, 1H, J = 7.20 Hz, Ar-H), 7.21 (t, 2H, J = 7.40 Hz, Ar-H), 7.29 (d, 2H, J = 7.20 Hz, Ar-H), 7.35 (t, 1H, J = 7.20 Hz, Ar-H), 7.44 (t, 1H, J = 7.20 Hz, Ar-H), 7.79 (d, 1H, J = 7.20 Hz, Ar-H), 11.10 (br s, 1H, NH), 12.49 (br s, 1H, CO-NH) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ = 13.3 (Me), 33.3 (CH), 99.9, 107.6, 120.4, 120.7, 127.4, 128.1, 129.5, 130.7, 131.9, 132.2, 132.9, 133.6, 136.6, 143.1, 153.7, 155.9, 162.1 (CONH), 190.7 (C=O) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₁H₁₄ClN₃O₂S (407.87): C, 61.84; H, 3.46; N, 10.30%; Found: C, 61.72; H, 3.31; N, 10.18%.

2.3.7. 5-(2-Hydroxyphenyl)-2-(methylthio)-3H-indeno[5,6:1',2']pyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidine-4,6 (4g). Orange Powder; M.p.: >300°C; IR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 3450, 3270, 3050, 2920, 2820, 1700, 1645, 1620, 1600, 1560, 1500, 1440, 1347, 1280, 1180, 868, 800, 760, 700 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 2.59$ (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.98 (s, 1H, CH), 6.72–6.69 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.03–7.0 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.25 (d, 1H, $J = 6.80$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.35 (t, 1H, $J = 7.40$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.45 (t, 1H, $J = 7.40$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.79 (d, 1H, $J = 7.20$ Hz, Ar-H), 9.58 (br s, 1H, NH), 11.12 (s, 1H, OH), 12.73 (br s, 1H, CO-NH) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 13.3$ (Me), 29.6 (CH), 100.0, 107.9, 117.5, 120.0, 120.2, 120.8, 127.9, 130.0, 130.6, 132.3, 133.8, 136.8, 136.9, 154.8, 155.0, 156.4, 156.5, 163.9 (CONH), 191.1 (C=O) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₂H₁₇N₃O₃S: (403.45) C, 65.49; H, 4.25; N, 10.42%; Found: C, 65.30; H, 4.35; N, 10.28%.

2.3.8. 5-(2,4-Dichlorophenyl)-2-(methylthio)-3H-indeno[5,6:1',2']pyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidine-4,6 (4h). Red Powder; M.p.: >300°C; IR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 3448, 3228, 3066, 2940, 2854, 1683, 1649, 1580, 1539, 1506, 1460, 1352, 1275, 1103, 1060, 858, 764, 704 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 2.60$ (s, 3H, CH₃), 5.22 (s, 1H, CH), 7.23 (d, 1H, $J = 6.40$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.37–7.27 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.47–7.44 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.80 (d, 1H, $J = 7.20$ Hz, Ar-H), 11.13 (br s, 1H, NH), 12.52 (br s, 1H, CO-NH) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 13.3$ (Me), 33.0 (CH), 99.4, 107.1, 120.5, 120.7, 127.6, 128.7, 130.8, 131.7, 132.2, 133.0, 133.5, 133.9, 142.3, 136.6, 153.8, 156.0, 162.0 (CONH), 190.7 (C=O) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₁H₁₃Cl₂N₃O₂S: (442.32) C, 57.02; H, 2.96; N, 9.50%; Found: C, 56.88; H, 2.83; N, 9.35%.

2.3.9. 5-(2-Nitrophenyl)-2-(methylthio)-3H-indeno[5,6:1',2']pyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidine-4,6 (4i). Red Powder; M.p.: >300°C; IR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 3350, 3060, 2923, 1685, 1649, 1578, 1540, 1504, 1450, 1539, 1342, 1277, 770, 708 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 2.60$ (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.83 (s, 1H, CH), 7.05 (t, 2H, $J = 8.80$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.29–7.25 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.35 (t, 1H, $J = 7.40$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.45 (t, 1H, $J = 7.40$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.79 (d, 1H, $J = 7.20$ Hz, Ar-H), 11.10 (br s, 1H, NH), 12.57 (br s, 1H, CO-NH) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 13.3$ (Me), 33.9 (CH), 97.0, 108.2, 115.0, 115.2, 120.4, 120.9, 126.3, 129.9, 130.0, 130.8, 132.4, 133.6, 136.7, 142.1, 155.7, 160.0, 162.4 (CONH), 191.1 (C=O) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₁H₁₄N₄O₄S: (418.43) C, 60.28; H, 3.37; N, 13.39%; Found: C, 60.10; H, 3.48; N, 13.51%.

2.3.10. 5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-2-(methylthio)-3H-indeno[5,6:1',2']pyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidine-4,6 (4j). Red Powder; M.p.: >300°C; IR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 3211, 3040, 2920, 2851, 1674, 1645, 1606, 1554, 1500, 1442, 1352, 1261, 1219, 1020, 898, 835, 766, 706 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 2.59$ (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.68 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.76 (s, 1H, CH), 6.79 (d, 2H, $J = 8.20$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.14 (d, 2H, $J = 8.20$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.26 (d, 1H, $J = 7.20$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.35 (t, 1H, $J = 7.20$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.44 (t, 1H, $J = 7.40$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.78 (d, 1H, $J = 6.80$ Hz, Ar-H), 11.03 (br s, 1H, NH), 12.53 (br s, 1H, CO-NH) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 13.3$ (Me), 33.6 (CH), 55.4 (MeO),

95.0, 108.7, 112.8, 113.9, 120.2, 120.8, 129.1, 130.6, 132.3, 133.7, 136.8, 138.2, 155.4, 158.1, 161.5 (CONH), 191.2 (C=O) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₂H₁₇N₃O₃S: (403.45) C, 65.49; H, 4.25; N, 10.42%; Found: C, 65.30; H, 4.35; N, 10.28%.

2.3.11. 2-(Methylthio)-5-(p-tolyl)-3H-indeno[5,6:1',2']pyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidine-4,6 (4k). Red Powder; M.p.: >300°C; IR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 3490, 3227, 3059, 2940, 2854, 1681, 1645, 1585, 1539, 1504, 1456, 1350, 1275, 897, 773 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 2.21$ (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.59 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.77 (s, 1H, CH), 7.03 (d, 2H, $J = 7.20$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.12 (d, 2H, $J = 7.20$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.25 (d, 1H, $J = 6.40$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.34 (t, 1H, $J = 7.20$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.44 (t, 1H, $J = 7.20$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.77 (d, 1H, $J = 6.80$ Hz, Ar-H), 11.04 (br s, 1H, NH), 12.54 (br s, 1H, CO-NH) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 13.3$ (Me), 21.0 (Me), 34.1 (CH), 100.2, 108.7, 120.2, 120.8, 128.0, 128.4, 129.0, 130.6, 132.3, 133.7, 135.6, 136.8, 143.1, 153.2, 155.5, 162.4 (CONH), 191.1 (C=O) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₂H₁₇N₃O₂S: (387.45) C, 68.20; H, 4.42; N, 10.85%; Found: C, 68.38; H, 4.25; N, 10.78%.

2.3.12. 5-(3,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)-2-(methylthio)-3H-indeno[5,6:1',2']pyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidine-4,6 (4l). Red Powder; M.p.: >300°C; IR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 3389, 3223, 3130, 3063, 2933, 2839, 1691, 1653, 1554, 1504, 1450, 1340, 1226, 1024, 897, 798, 764, 710 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 2.60$ (s, 3H, SCH₃), 3.67 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.71 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.79 (s, 1H, CH), 6.64 (d, 1H, $J = 8.40$ Hz, Ar-H), 6.74 (d, 1H, $J = 8.40$ Hz, Ar-H), 6.95 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 7.27 (d, 1H, $J = 6.80$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.34 (t, 1H, $J = 7.20$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.43 (t, 1H, $J = 7.20$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.77 (d, 1H, $J = 7.20$ Hz, Ar-H), 11.01 (br s, 1H, NH), 12.54 (br s, 1H, CO-NH) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 13.3$ (Me), 33.9 (CH), 55.9 (MeO), 56.0 (MeO), 100, 108.5, 112.3, 112.6, 119.8, 120.2, 120.8, 130.6, 132.3, 133.7, 136.7, 138.6, 147.8, 148.6, 155.4, 162.5 (CONH), 191.2 (C=O) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₃H₁₉N₃O₄S: (433.48) C, 63.73; H, 4.42; N, 9.69%; Found: C, 63.88; H, 4.33; N, 9.86%.

2.3.13. 5-(2,4-Dichlorophenyl)-2-(ethylthio)-5,11-dihydro-3H-indeno[2',1':5,6]pyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidine-4,6-dione (4m). Red Powder; M.p.: 282–284°C; IR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 3203, 3136, 3059, 2966, 2926, 1649, 1607, 1550, 1502, 1450, 1350, 1190, 1101, 1070, 858, 764, 700 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 1.36$ (t, 3H, $J = 7.1$ Hz, CH₃), 3.22 (q, 2H, $J = 7.1$ Hz, CH₂), 5.22 (s, 1H, CH), 7.22 (d, 1H, $J = 6.8$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.46–7.26 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 7.80 (d, 1H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, Ar-H), 11.09 (s, 1H, NH), 12.48 (br s, 1H, NH-C=O) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 15.0$ (Me), 24.7 (CH₂), 33.0 (CH), 99.4, 107.1, 120.5, 127.5, 127.6, 128.7, 130.8, 131.7, 132.2, 133.0, 133.5, 133.9, 136.6, 142.3, 153.8, 156.0, 162.0 (CONH), 190.7 (C=O) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₂H₁₅Cl₂N₃O₂S: (456.34): C, 57.90; H, 3.31; N, 9.21%; Found: C, 57.74; H, 3.23; N, 9.05%.

2.3.14. 5-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2-(ethylthio)-5,11-dihydro-3H-indeno[2',1':5,6]pyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidine-4,6-dione (4n). Red Powder; M.p.: 268–270°C; IR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 3209, 3140, 3063, 2876, 1649, 1545, 1504, 1452, 1350, 1188, 1146, 860, 764, 704 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 1.36$ (t, 3H,

$J = 7.2$ Hz, CH_3), 3.23 (q, 2H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, CH_2), 4.82 (s, 1H, CH), 7.26 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 7.35 (t, 1H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.45 (t, 1H, $J = 7.4$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.79 (d, 1H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, Ar-H), 11.08 (s, 1H, NH), 12.56 (br s, 1H, NH-C=O) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 15.1$ (Me), 24.6 (CH_2), 34.2 (CH), 99.9, 112.0, 107.9, 120.4, 120.9, 128.4, 130.1, 130.8, 131.2, 132.3, 133.5, 136.6, 144.8, 155.8, 191.1 (C=O) ppm. Anal. Cald. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{16}\text{ClN}_3\text{O}_2\text{S}$ (421.90): C, 62.63; H, 3.82; N, 9.96%; Found: C, 62.38; H, 3.95; N, 9.76%.

2.3.15. 2-(Ethylthio)-5-(2-fluorophenyl)-5,11-dihydro-3H-indeno[2',1':5,6]pyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidine-4,6-dione (4o). Red Powder; M.p.: 257–259°C; IR (KBr): $\nu_{\max} = 3221, 3132, 3057, 2932, 1684, 1647, 1583, 1539, 1491, 1350, 1263, 1182, 760, 706 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 1.37$ (t, 3H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, CH_3), 3.23 (q, 2H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, CH_2), 5.04 (s, 1H, CH), 7.03 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.18 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 7.25 (t, 2H, Ar-H), 7.34 (t, 1H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.44 (t, 1H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.80 (d, 1H, $J = 6.8$ Hz, Ar-H), 11.06 (s, 1H, NH), 12.48 (br s, 1H, NH-C=O) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 15.1$ (Me), 24.6 (CH_2), 29.0 (CH), 99.4, 107.4, 115.5 ($^2J = 22.0$ Hz), 120.4 ($^3J = 10.0$ Hz), 120.8, 124.6, 128.4, 128.5, 130.7, 131.1, 132.2, 132.8, 132.9, 133.6, 136.7, 153.6, 155.8 (CONH), 160.3 ($^1J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 245.0$ Hz), 191.0 (C=O) ppm. Anal. Cald. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{16}\text{FN}_3\text{O}_2\text{S}$ (405.44): C, 65.17; H, 3.98; N, 10.36%; Found: C, 65.06; H, 3.81; N, 10.22%.

2.3.16. 5-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-(ethylthio)-5,11-dihydro-3H-indeno[2',1':5,6]pyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidine-4,6-dione (4p). Red Powder; M.p.: 255–257°C, IR (KBr): $\nu_{\max} = 3230, 2858, 1645, 1578, 1539, 1499, 1450, 1352, 1182, 1016, 797, 708 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 1.36$ (t, 3H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, CH_3), 3.23 (q, 2H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, CH_2), 4.81 (s, 1H, CH), 7.21 (d, 2H, $J = 8.0$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.26 (d, 1H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.35 (t, 1H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.44 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.79 (d, 1H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, Ar-H), 11.07 (s, 1H, NH), 12.55 (br s, 1H, NH-C=O) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 15.1$ (Me), 24.6 (CH_2), 34.4 (CH), 99.7, 107.8, 119.7, 120.4, 120.9, 130.5, 130.7, 131.3, 132.3, 133.6, 136.6, 145.2, 155.8, 161.8 (CONH), 191.0 (C=O) ppm. Anal. Cald. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{16}\text{BrN}_3\text{O}_2\text{S}$ (466.35): C, 56.66; H, 3.46; N, 9.01%; Found: C, 56.53; H, 3.27; N, 9.16%.

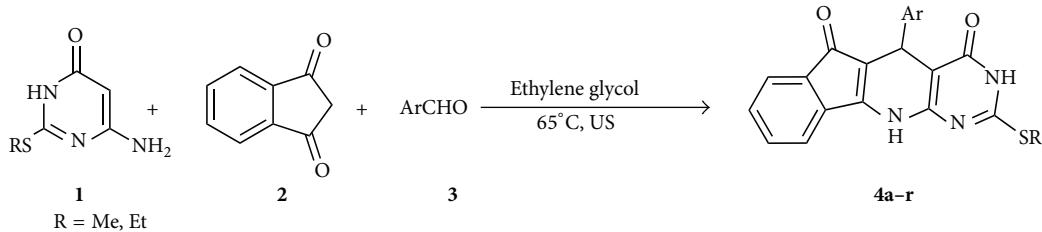
2.3.17. 2-(Ethylthio)-5-(4-methylthiophenyl)-5,11-dihydro-3H-indeno[2',1':5,6]pyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidine-4,6-dione (4q). Red Powder; M.p.: 250–252°C; IR (KBr) $\nu_{\max} = 3219, 3138, 3057, 2964, 2922, 1645, 1551, 1499, 1450, 1354, 1184, 835, 768, 712 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 1.36$ (t, 3H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, CH_3), 2.41 (s, 3H, CH_3), 3.22 (q, 2H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, CH_2), 4.78 (s, 1H, CH), 7.13 (d, 2H, $J = 8.0$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.19 (d, 2H, $J = 8.0$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.26 (d, 1H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.34 (t, 1H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.44 (t, 1H, $J = 7.4$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.78 (d, 1H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, Ar-H), 11.03 (s, 1H, NH), 12.53 (br s, 1H, NH-C=O) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 15.1$ (Me), 15.4 (Me), 24.7 (CH_2), 34.1 (CH), 100.0, 108.3, 120.3, 120.8, 126.4, 128.8, 130.6, 132.3, 133.7, 136.0, 136.7, 142.9, 153.8, 154.0, 155.5, 155.6, 191.1 (C=O) ppm. Anal. Cald. for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2\text{S}$ (433.55): C, 63.72; H, 4.42; N, 9.69%; Found: C, 63.57; H, 4.59; N, 9.56%.

2.3.18. 2-(Ethylthio)-5-phenyl-5,11-dihydro-3H-indeno[2',1':5,6]pyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidine-4,6-dione (4r). Red Powder; M.p.: 273–276°C; IR (KBr): $\nu_{\max} = 3119, 3026, 2922, 2849, 1716, 1645, 1541, 1495, 1452, 1352, 1184, 744, 710 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 1.36$ (t, 3H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, CH_3), 3.23 (q, 2H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, CH_2), 4.82 (s, 1H, CH), 7.13 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 7.24 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 7.35 (t, 1H, $J = 7.4$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.44 (t, 1H, $J = 7.4$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.79 (d, 1H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, Ar-H), 11.02 (s, 1H, NH), 12.52 (br s, 1H, NH-C=O) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 15.1$ (Me), 24.6 (CH_2), 34.5 (CH), 108.5, 120.3, 120.9, 126.6, 128.2, 128.5, 130.7, 132.3, 133.6, 136.6, 145.9, 155.6, 162.5 (CONH), 191.2 (C=O) ppm. Anal. Cald. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2\text{S}$ (387.10): C, 68.26; H, 4.42; N, 10.85%; Found: C, 68.08; H, 4.55; N, 10.97%.

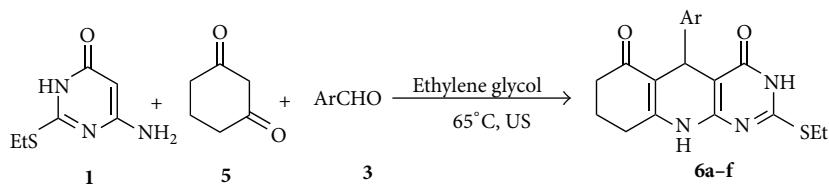
2.3.19. 2-(Ethylthio)-5-(4-fluorophenyl)-5,8,9,10-tetrahydro-3H,7H-pyrimido[4,5-b]quinoline-4,6-dione (6a). White Powder; M.p.: 300–302°C; IR (KBr): $\nu_{\max} = 3221, 3142, 3067, 3032, 2957, 2880, 1647, 1607, 1553, 1483, 1364, 1226, 1186, 837, 797 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 1.31$ (t, 3H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, CH_3), 1.95–1.82 (m, 2H, $\text{CH}_2-\underline{\text{CH}_2}-\text{CH}_2$), 2.29–2.18 (m, 2H, $\text{CH}_2-\underline{\text{CH}_2}-$), 2.66–2.56 (m, 2H, $\overline{\text{CH}_2}-\underline{\text{CH}_2}-\text{C=O}$), 3.13 (q, 2H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, $\underline{\text{CH}_2}-\text{CH}_3$), 4.95 (s, 1H, CH), 7.01 (t, 2H, $J = 8.8$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.22 (dd, 2H, $J = 8.2, 5.8$ Hz, Ar-H), 9.85 (s, 1H, NH), 12.33 (br s, 1H, NH-C=O) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 15.1$ (Me), 21.3 (CH_2), 24.5 (CH_2), 26.9 (CH_2), 33.2 ($\underline{\text{CH}_2}-\text{C=O}$), 37.2 (CH), 98.4, 110.9, 115.0 ($^2J_{\text{CF}} = 21.0$ Hz), 129.6 ($^3J_{\text{CF}} = 8.0$ Hz), 143.3 ($^4J_{\text{CF}} = 2.0$ Hz), 152.4, 153.5, 153.6, 161.0 ($^1J_{\text{CF}} = 240.0$ Hz), 162.2 (CONH), 195.0 (C=O) ppm. Anal. Cald. for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{18}\text{FN}_3\text{O}_2\text{S}$ (371.43): C, 61.44; H, 4.88; N, 11.31%; Found: C, 61.32; H, 4.70; N, 11.18%.

2.3.20. 2-(Ethylthio)-5-(naphthalen-2-yl)-5,8,9,10-tetrahydro-3H,7H-pyrimido[4,5-b]quinoline-4,6-dione (6b). White Powder; M.p.: 310–312°C; IR (KBr): $\nu_{\max} = 3221, 3138, 3063, 3028, 2953, 2874, 1647, 1607, 1554, 1479, 1450, 1366, 1186, 797, 752 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 1.31$ (t, 3H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, CH_3), 1.94–1.85 (2H, m, $\text{CH}_2-\underline{\text{CH}_2}-\text{CH}_2$), 2.31–2.18 (m, 2H, $\underline{\text{CH}_2}-\text{CH}_2-$), 2.70–2.60 (m, 2H, $\overline{\text{CH}_2}-\underline{\text{CH}_2}-\text{C=O}$), 3.15 (q, 2H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, $\underline{\text{CH}_2}-\text{CH}_3$), 5.12 (s, 1H, CH), 7.43 (3H, m, Ar-H), 7.62 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 7.84–7.74 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 9.88 (s, 1H, NH), 12.33 (br s, 1H, NH-C=O) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 15.1$ (Me), 21.3 (CH_2), 24.5 (CH_2), 26.9 (CH_2), 27.0 ($\underline{\text{CH}_2}-\text{C=O}$), 34.2 (CH), 98.3, 111.0, 125.7, 125.8, 126.2, 127.7, 127.2, 127.9, 128.2, 132.2, 133.2, 144.6, 153.5, 153.6, 194.9 (C=O) ppm. Anal. Cald. for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2\text{S}$ (403.50): C, 68.46; H, 5.25; N, 10.41%; Found: C, 68.60; H, 5.17; N, 10.55%.

2.3.21. 2-(Ethylthio)-5-(p-tolyl)-5,8,9,10-tetrahydro-3H,7H-pyrimido[4,5-b]quinoline-4,6-dione (6c). White Powder; M.p.: 292–294°C; IR (KBr): $\nu_{\max} = 3225, 3142, 3067, 2878, 1649, 1614, 1556, 1475, 1366, 1186, 794 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆): $\delta = 1.31$ (t, 3H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, CH_3-CH_2), 1.92–1.80 (m, 2H, $\text{CH}_2-\underline{\text{CH}_2}-\text{CH}_2$), 2.3–2.1 (m, 5H, $\underline{\text{CH}_2}-\text{CH}_2-$ and $\underline{\text{CH}_3}-\text{Ar}$), 2.65–2.57 (m, 2H, $\text{CH}_2-\underline{\text{CH}_2}-\text{C=O}$), 3.14 (q, 2H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, $\underline{\text{CH}_2}-\text{CH}_3$), 4.90 (s, 1H, CH), 6.99 (d, 2H, $J = 7.6$ Hz, Ar-H), 7.08 (d, 2H, $J = 7.6$ Hz, Ar-H),



SCHEME 1: Synthesis of indenopyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidine (4a–r).



SCHEME 2: Synthesis of pyrimido[4,5-b]quinoline 6a–f.

9.79 (s, 1H, NH), 12.31 (br s, 1H, NH-C=O) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ = 15.1 (Me), 21.0 (Me), 21.3 (CH₂), 24.5 (CH₂), 26.8 (CH₂), 26.9 (CH₂-C=O), 33.3 (CH), 98.6, 111.2, 127.8, 128.9, 135.2, 144.2, 153.2, 153.3, 194.8 (C=O) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₀H₂₁N₃O₂S (367.46): C, 65.37; H, 5.76; N, 11.41%; Found: C, 65.21; H, 5.52; N, 11.25%.

2.3.22. *2-(Ethylthio)-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5,8,9,10-tetrahydro-3H,7H-pyrimido[4,5-b]quinoline-4,6-dione (6d).* White Powder; M.p.: 288–290°C; IR (KBr): ν_{max} = 3225, 3140, 3067, 3030, 2949, 1649, 1608, 1553, 1479, 1366, 1184, 1230, 1034, 835 cm⁻¹. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ = 1.31 (t, 3H, J = 7.2 Hz, CH₃), 1.95–1.81 (m, 2H, CH₂-CH₂-CH₂), 2.23 (m, 2H, CH₂-CH₂-), 2.60–2.55 (m, 2H, CH₂-CH₂-C=O), 3.13 (q, 2H, J = 7.2 Hz, CH₂-CH₃), 3.67 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.89 (s, 1H, CH), 6.75 (d, 2H, J = 8.4 Hz, Ar-H), 7.10 (d, 2H, J = 8.4 Hz, Ar-H), 9.78 (s, 1H, NH), 12.30 (br s, 1H, NH-C=O) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ = 15.1 (Me), 21.3 (MeO), 24.5 (CH₂), 26.9 (CH₂), 32.8 (CH₂), 37.2 (CH₂-C=O), 55.4 (CH), 98.8, 111.3, 113.7, 128.8, 139.5, 153.1, 153.2, 157.9, 162.0 (CONH), 194.8 (C=O) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₂H₂₁N₃O₂S (383.46): C, 62.64; H, 5.52; N, 10.96%; Found: C, 62.64; H, 5.58; N, 1085%.

2.3.23. *2-(Ethylthio)-5-(5-methylthiophen-2-yl)-5,8,9,10-tetrahydro-3H,7H-pyrimido[4,5-b]quinoline-4,6-dione (6e).* White Powder; M.p.: 280–282°C; IR (KBr): ν_{max} = 3223, 3138, 3067, 3030, 2951, 2872, 1649, 1607, 1553, 1479, 1448, 1364, 1182, 798 cm⁻¹. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ = 1.32 (t, 3H, J = 7.2 Hz, CH₃), 1.98–1.85 (m, 2H, CH₂-CH₂-CH₂-), 2.27 (m, 2H, CH₂-CH₂-), 2.30 (s, 3H, CH₃-Ar), 2.62–2.54 (m, 2H, CH₂-CH₂-C=O), 3.13 (q, 2H, J = 7.2 Hz, CH₂-CH₃), 5.15 (s, 1H, CH), 6.48 (s, 2H, Ar-H), 9.90 (s, 1H, NH), 12.41 (br s, 1H, NH-C=O) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ = 15.1 (Me), 15.4 (Me), 21.3 (CH₂), 24.6 (CH₂), 26.9 (CH₂), 28.6 (CH₂-C=O), 37.2 (CH), 98.0, 110.6, 123.0, 125.0, 137.0, 148.6, 152.5, 153.4, 162.0 (CONH), 194.7 (C=O)

ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C₁₈H₁₉N₃O₂S₂ (373.09): C, 57.88; H, 5.13; N, 11.25%; Found: C, 57.95; H, 5.20; N, 11.10%.

2.3.24. *5-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2-(ethylthio)-5,8,9,10-tetrahydro-3H,7H-pyrimido[4,5-b]quinoline-4,6-dione (6f).* White Powder; M.p.: 262–265°C; IR (KBr) ν_{max} = 3261, 3182, 3045, 2941, 2822, 1647, 1553, 1500, 1454, 1342, 1188, 1063, 825 cm⁻¹. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ = 1.31 (t, 3H, J = 7.2 Hz, CH₃), 1.95–1.82 (m, 2H, CH₂-CH₂-CH₂), 2.25–2.21 (m, 2H, CH₂-CH₂-), 2.65–2.55 (m, 2H, CH₂-CH₂-C=O), 3.13 (q, 2H, J = 7.2 Hz, CH₂-CH₃), 4.92 (s, 1H, CH), 7.21 (d, 2H, J = 8.4 Hz, Ar-H), 7.25 (d, 2H, J = 8.4 Hz, Ar-H), 9.86 (s, 1H, NH), 12.36 (br s, 1H, NH-C=O) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ = 15.1 (Me), 21.2 (CH₂), 24.6 (CH₂), 26.8 (CH₂), 33.6 (CH₂-C=O), 37.1 (CH), 98.1, 110.7, 110.7, 128.2, 129.8, 130.8, 131.6, 146.0, 153.6, 153.7, 194.9 (C=O) ppm. Anal. Calcd. for C₁₉H₁₈ClN₃O₂S (387.89): C, 58.83; H, 4.68; N, 10.83%; Found: C, 58.70; H, 4.47; N, 10.68%.

3. Results and Discussion

As part of our continuing efforts on the development of new synthetic strategies for the preparation of heterocyclic compounds [42–48], herein we wish to report one-pot three-component synthesis of fused pyridopyrimidines under sonochemical conditions without the use of catalyst (Schemes 1 and 2).

In the initial experiment, to optimize the reaction conditions, different solvents were screened for the synthesis of 5-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-(methylthio)-3H-indeno[5,6:1',2']pyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidine-4,6 (5H,11H)-dione 4a as a model reaction. The reaction between equimolar amounts of 6-amino-2-(methylthio)pyrimidin-4(3H)-one 1 (prepared by the condensation of thiourea with ethylcyanoacetate in sodium ethoxide and followed by alkylation with alkyl iodide [49]), 1,3-indanedione 2, and 4-chlorobenzaldehyde were examined in various solvents and different temperatures

TABLE 1: Effect of various solvents in the synthesis of **4a** under conventional conditions and ultrasonic irradiations.

Entry	Solvent	Conventional method		Sonochemical method	
		Time (min)	Yield (%) ^a	Time (min)	Yield (%) ^a
1	Ethylene glycol	180	90 ^b	25	95 ^c
2	AcOH	180	86	29	90
3	DMF	210	82	29	88
4	EtOH	220	84	30	88
5	H ₂ O	240	78	41	83
6	Acetone	240	70	42	76
7	CHCl ₃	270	66	47	70
8	CH ₃ CN	300	60	50	65

^aIsolated yield.^bReflux temperature.^c65°C.TABLE 2: Synthesis of indenopyrido[2,3-*d*]pyrimidine **4a–r**.

Entry	Product	R	Ar	Time (min)	Yield (%) ^a
1	4a	Me	4-ClC ₆ H ₄	25	95
2	4b	Me	C ₆ H ₅	33	92
3	4c	Me	4-BrC ₆ H ₄	28 (220) ^b	95 (91) ^b
4	4d	Me	4-FC ₆ H ₄	20 (160) ^b	97 (85) ^b
5	4e	Me	2-BrC ₆ H ₄	30 (220) ^b	94 (88) ^b
6	4f	Me	2-ClC ₆ H ₄	27 (210) ^b	96 (89) ^b
7	4g	Me	2-OHC ₆ H ₄	32 (240) ^b	90 (90) ^b
8	4h	Me	2,4-Cl ₂ C ₆ H ₃	20 (160) ^b	96 (90) ^b
9	4i	Me	2-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄	22 (170) ^b	97 (90) ^b
10	4j	Me	4-OCH ₃ C ₆ H ₄	35	90
11	4k	Me	4-CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄	35	93
12	4l	Me	3,4-(OCH ₃) ₂ C ₆ H ₃	35 (280) ^b	90 (85) ^b
13	4m	Et	2,4-Cl ₂ C ₆ H ₃	15 (180) ^b	95 (90) ^b
14	4n	Et	4-ClC ₆ H ₄	20 (185) ^b	89 (80) ^b
15	4o	Et	2-FC ₆ H ₄	18	86
16	4p	Et	4-BrC ₆ H ₄	25	85
17	4q	Et	4-MeSC ₆ H ₄	22	85
18	4r	Et	C ₆ H ₅	27	87

^aIsolated yield.^bConventional conditions.

(25, 50, 65, and 80°C) under sonochemical conditions. The results of this study are summarized in Table 1. It is evident from the results that ethylene glycol is the most effective solvent among the selected solvents, giving the highest yield (95%) and lower reaction time (25 min) under ultrasound irradiation (entry 1). For comparison, the preparation of **4a** was carried out under conventional heating at reflux conditions which furnished the desired product at lower yield and much higher reaction time (180 min) (Table 1, entry 1). The results revealed that the reaction induced by ultrasonic irradiations offered better result than the conventional condition (Figure 1).

Using the optimized reaction conditions various derivatives of indenopyrido[2,3-*d*]pyrimidines **4a–r** (Scheme 1) were prepared in high to excellent yields (85–97%) and lower reaction times (Table 2).

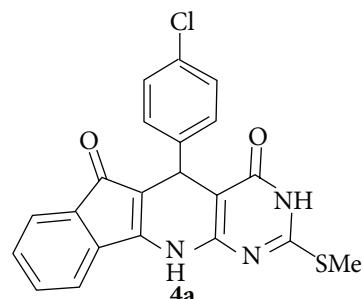
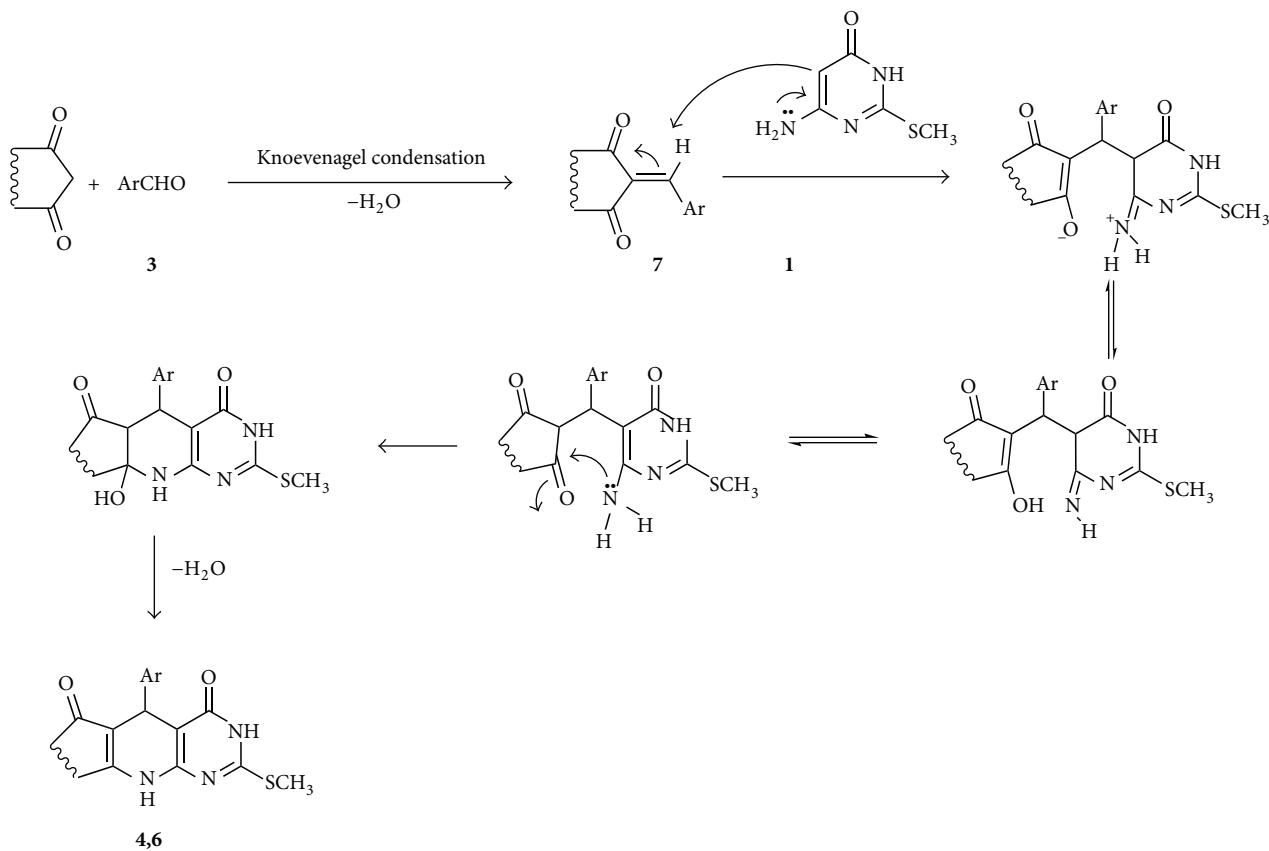


FIGURE 1

Due to remarkable results from the above experiments, we decided to broaden the scope of this protocol for

TABLE 3: Synthesis of pyrimido[4,5-*b*]quinoline **6a-f**.

Entry	Product	Ar	Time (min)	Yield (%) ^a
1	6a	4-FC ₆ H ₄	10 (180) ^b	95 (90) ^b
2	6b	1-naphtyl	15 (230) ^b	93 (87) ^b
3	6c	4-CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄	20 (270) ^b	89 (82) ^b
4	6d	4-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄	23	87
5	6e	5-methylthiophen-2-yl	25	82
6	6f	4-ClC ₆ H ₄	17	90

^aIsolated yields.^bConventional conditions.SCHEME 3: The plausible mechanism of synthesis of fused pyrimidine derivatives **4a-r** and **6a-f**.

the synthesis of quinoline derivatives as another fused pyrimidine derivative. We investigated the reaction between 6-amino-2-(ethylthio)pyrimidin-4(3*H*)-one **1**, 1,3-cyclohexadiene **5**, and arylaldehydes **3** under the aforementioned optimized reaction conditions and obtained pyrimido[4,5-*b*]quinoline-4,6-diones **6a-f** (Scheme 2) in high yields (82–95%) and short reaction times (10–25 min) (Table 3).

The plausible mechanism of this MCRs involves Knoevenagel condensation between CH-acid (**2** or **5**) and aryl aldehydes (**3**) resulting in the arylidene intermediate **7**, followed by Michael addition of enaminone **1**, cyclization, and removal of H_2O to form the desired products (**4** or **6**) (Scheme 3).

All the synthesized pyridopyrimidine derivatives were characterized on the basis of elemental and spectral (¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR, and IR) analyses.

4. Conclusion

In summary, we have developed a simple, green, and efficient protocol for the synthesis of novel fused derivatives of pyrimidine under ultrasonic irradiations. The easy work of the products, without the use of catalyst, mild reaction condition, high to excellent yields, short reaction times, and cleaner reaction profiles are the notable features of this

protocol. The method is amenable for the iterative generation of combinatorial libraries.

Conflict of Interests

The authors declare that there is no conflict of interests regarding the publication of this paper.

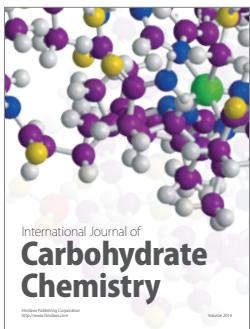
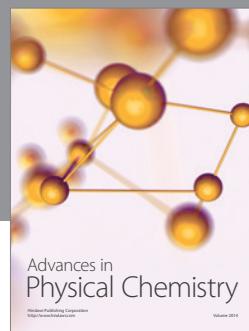
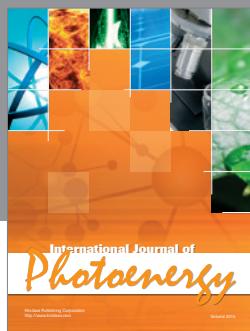
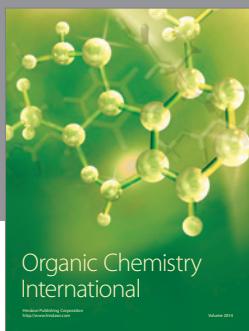
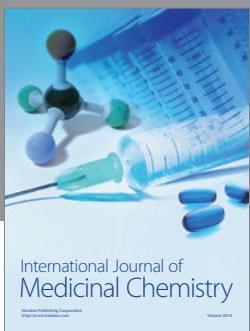
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