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Synthesis, screening as potential antitumor of new poly heterocyclic compounds based on pyrimidine-2-thiones

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Abstract

Background: Continuing our interest in preparing of new heterocyclic compounds and examining their various biological activities, this work was designed to prepare new condensed and non-condensed heterocyclic compounds 9a-c, 10a-c, 11a-c, 13a-c and 14a-c were synthesized starting with pyrimidine-2-thiones 4a-c.

Results: Thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidines 9a-c were synthesized by S-alkylation of pyrimidine-2-thiones, 4a-c, internal cyclization in alkaline medium with ammonia, condensation with benzaldehyde and finally reaction with hydroxylamine hydrochloride. [1,2,4]thiadiazolo[4,5-a]pyrimidines 11a-c were formed by heating of the 4a-c with benzoylchloride to afford 10a-c followed by reaction with sodium hypochlorite, ammonia and sodium hydroxide. Cyclocondensation of 4a-c with ethyl acetoacetate or formic acid yielded pyrazol-3-ones 13a-c or [1,2,4] triazolo[4,3-a]pyrimidines 14a-c, respectively. Elements analysis, IR, ¹H-NMR, ¹³C-NMR and mass spectra were used to validate the structures of newly synthesized heterocycles. Screening of the selected compounds 4a, 6a, 7a, 9a, 10a, 13a and 14a against colon carcinoma cell lines (HCT-116) and hepatocellular carcinoma cell lines (HepG-2).

Conclusions: Elements analysis, IR, ¹H-NMR, ¹³C-NMR and mass spectra were used to validate the structures of newly synthesized heterocycles. Screening of the selected compounds 4a, 6a, 7a, 9a, 10a, 13a and 14a against colon carcinoma cell lines (HCT-116) and hepatocellular carcinoma cell lines (HepG-2) showed that compound 10a exhibited the most cytotoxic, while compounds 4a, 6a and 14a exhibited considerable cytotoxic activity.

Keywords: Pyrimidine-2-thiones, [1,2,4]thiadiazolo[4,5-a], Pyrazol-3-ones, [1, 2, 4] triazolo[4,3-a], HCT-116; HepG-2

Introduction

Continuing our interest in preparing of new heterocyclic compounds and examining their various biological activities [1–6], this work was designed to prepare new derivatives of condensed and non-condensed five-membered rings with pyrimidine. Pyrimidine derivatives have aroused the interest of researchers in recent years, as they have demonstrated a wide variety of biological activities such as antibacterial [6], antiallergic, antihypertensive

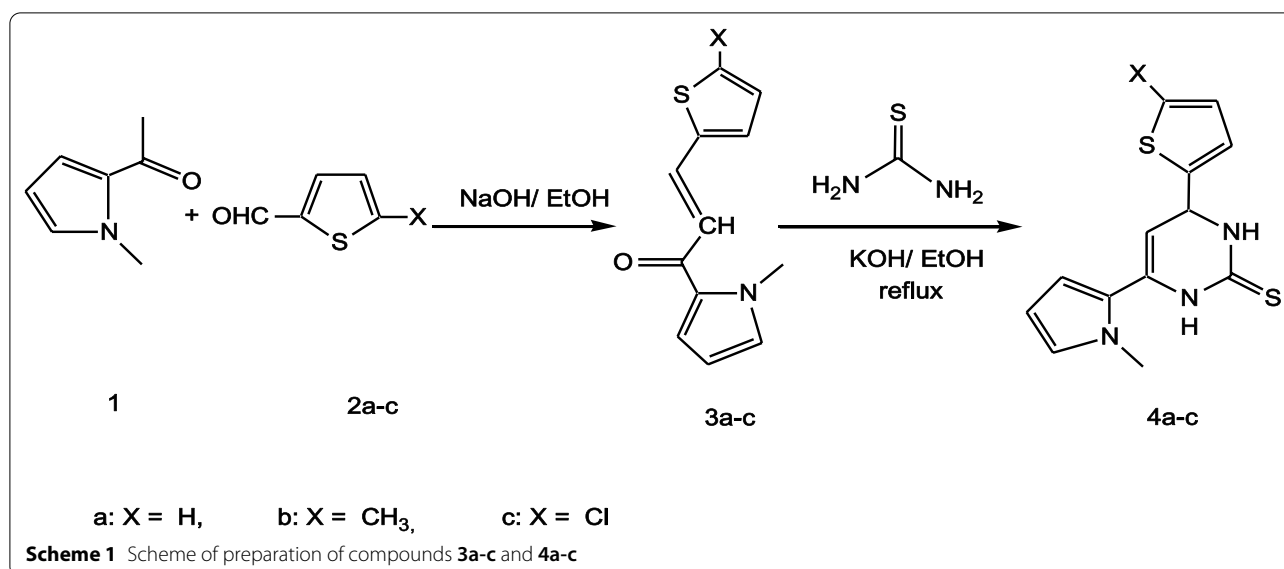
[7] and antitumor activity [5, 8], along with their cardiopulmonary and bronchodilating effect [9]. It has been observed that the substitution of the benzene ring in pyrimidine derivatives with heterocyclic moieties such as pyrrole and thiophene shows some biological activities such as anti-proliferative and anti-inflammatory activities [10–12]. In addition, the pyrazolopyrimidine and [1, 2, 4] triazolopyrimidine derivatives have antimicrobial, antioxidant, antimalarial, analgesic and antitumor activities [13–17]. Most classes of heterocyclic compound have been studied to show their role as strong and chelating ligands with most of transition metals as electron rich sites [1, 18, 19], this point is important in forming novel metal-complexes to be used in different industrial,

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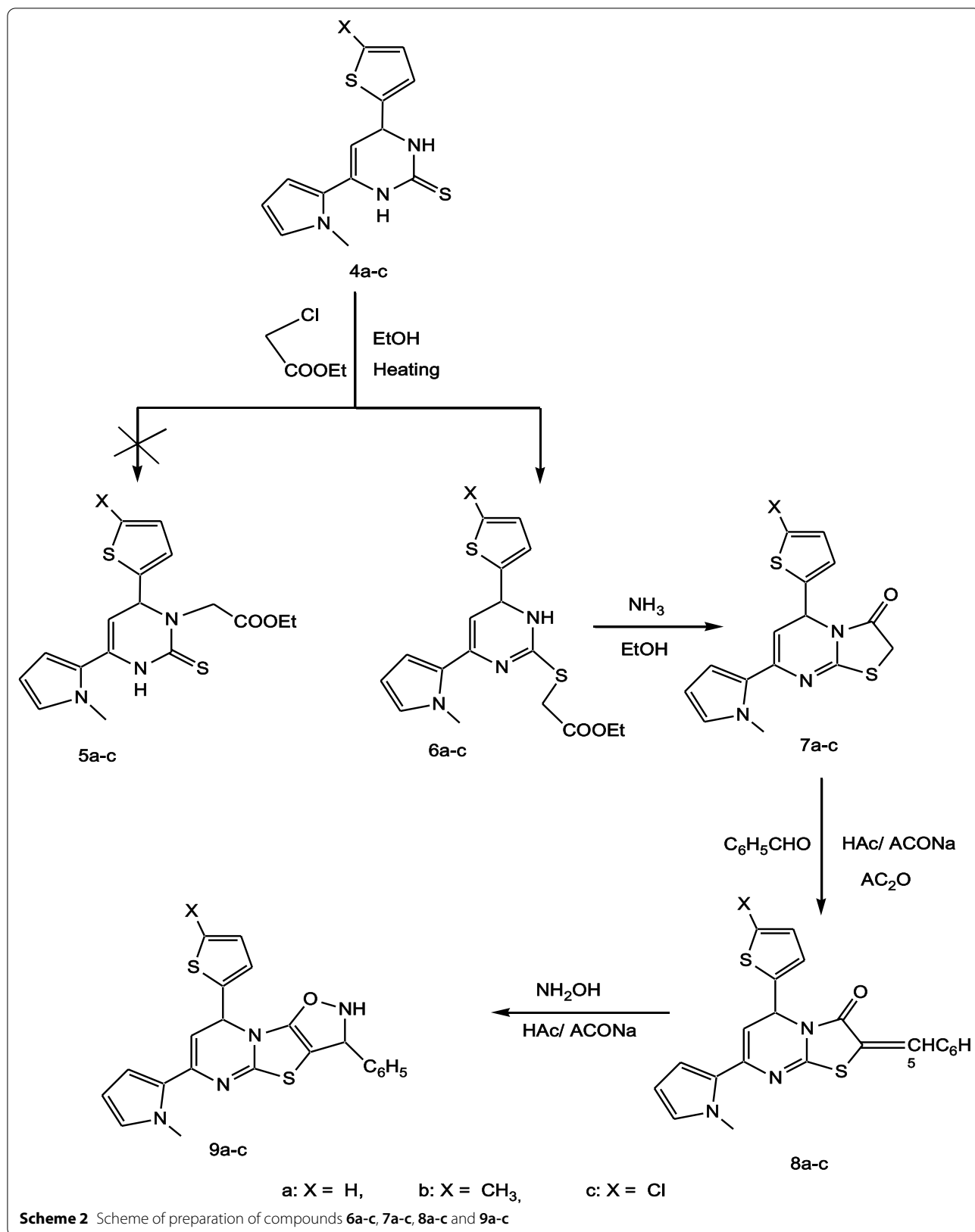
pharmaceutical and medicinal applications. This study aimed to synthesize and investigate a new heterocyclic class that has an important role in biological behavior based on its structure.

Results and discussion

Chemistry

The reaction of 2-acetyl-1-methylpyrrole **1** with a series of 5-substituted-thiophene-2-carbaldehyde **2a-c** in alcoholic sodium hydroxide afforded a new series of chalcones **3a-c** as shown in Scheme 1 [20]. Melting points, yield % and IR spectral data of compounds **3a-c** are included in the Additional file 1. The known 3,4-dihydro-1H-pyrimidine-2-thiones **4a-c** nuclei taken as the key synthons for this work were synthesized by cyclocondensation of chalcones **3a-c** with thiourea in the presence of alcoholic potassium hydroxide, Scheme 1 [21]. The structure of compounds **4a-c** was established by their elemental analysis data and their IR spectra which showed two characteristic bands at ν (3364–3394) and (3215–3275) cm^{-1} for the two NH groups. The $^1\text{H-NMR}$ spectra of compounds **4a-c** indicated the chemical shifts (δ) at (3.36–3.56) corresponding to the protons of NCH_3 , (4.76–4.94) for H-4 of pyrimidine, (6.08–6.13) for H-5 of pyrimidine, (6.87–7.56) for aromatic protons of pyrrole, (7.51–8.19) for aromatic protons of thiophene and two D_2O exchangeable singlet peaks at (8.89–10.08) ppm for 2NH groups. The $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ of compound **4a** indicated a group of signals at 39.57 for NCH_3 , 65.37 for C-4 of pyrimidine, 108.30 for C-5 of pyrimidine and a characteristic signal at 176.13 ppm for C=S group, (for more details see the experimental section).

S-alkylation, instead of N-alkylation was performed by heating 3,4-dihydro-1H-pyrimidine-2-thione **4a-c** with ethyl chloroacetate to produce ethyl 1,6-dihydro-pyrimidin-2-ylsulfanyl]acetate **6a-c**, Scheme 2 [22]. The structure of the compounds **6a-c** was mainly confirmed from the $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ spectrum of compound **6a** which showed two characteristic signals at 163.74 and 169.87 ppm for C=N and C=O with absence of C=S group signal. The IR spectra of the compounds **6a-c** exhibited stretching bands at (3222–3271) and (1722–1739) cm^{-1} for NH and C=O groups. The $^1\text{H-NMR}$ of the compounds **6a-c** contained a set of peaks for ethyl, NCH_3 , SCH_2 , pyrimidine, pyrrole, thiophene and NH protons, (for more details see the experimental section). The internal cyclization of dihydropyrimidine esters **6a-c** took place in an alkaline medium using ammonia affording the corresponding thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidin-3-ones **7a-c**. The structure of the compounds **7a-c** was confirmed by the disappearance of the NH signals in both the IR and $^1\text{H-NMR}$ spectra of these compounds, along with the disappearance of ethyl protons in the $^1\text{H-NMR}$ spectra compared to those in the compounds **6a-c**. In order to build up a fused heterocyclic to the compounds **7a-c**, the compounds **7a-c** were condensed with benzaldehyde in the presence of freshly prepared sodium acetate to give the corresponding 2-Benzylidenethiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidin-3-ones **8a-c**. Heating under reflux of the compounds **8a-c** with hydroxylamine hydrochloride in the presence of freshly prepared sodium acetate yielded the corresponding isoxazolo[5',4':4,5]thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidine **9a-c** [23]. The mass spectrum of 8-(5-Chloro-thiophen-2-yl)-6-(1-methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-3-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-8H-isoxazolo[5',4':4,5]thiazolo[3,2-a]pyr-imidine **9c** has



molecular ion peaks at 452 and 454 with in a ratio of 3:1 which is consistent with the molecular formula and the existence of chlorine isotopes of compound **9c**. Also the spectral data of the compounds **9a-c** indicated the presence of NH group at (3207–3233) cm^{-1} and (9.98–10.73) ppm for the IR and $^1\text{H-NMR}$ spectra, respectively.

The second path way of this work was heating the key synthons **4a-c** under reflux with benzoyl chloride and a few drops of triethylamine to provide compounds **10a-c**, Scheme 3. The structure of the compounds **10a-c** was elucidated by their correct elemental analysis and spectral data, where the IR spectra showed two characteristic bands at (3224–3363) and (1682–1697) cm^{-1} for the NH and C=O groups, respectively. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ spectra of the compounds **10a-c** showed a characteristic signal at (10.98–11.42) ppm for NH group, along with two characteristic signals at 169.55 and 181.16 ppm for C=O and C=S groups in the $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ spectrum of the compound **10a**. The reaction of the compounds **10a-c** with sodium hypochlorite, ammonia and sodium hydroxide passed through the formation of non-isolable intermediates sulphenyl chloride and sulphenamide which underwent an intramolecular dehydration to produce the corresponding [1, 2, 4]thiadiazolo[4,5-a]pyrimidine **11a-c**, as shown in Scheme 3 [24]. The elemental analysis of the compounds **11a-c** is consistent with their molecular formula. IR spectra indicated the disappearance of the C=O groups, and the $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ spectrum of the product **11a** also showed the disappearance of the C=S group with two new signals appearing at 150.11 and 156.34 ppm for the two C=N groups which suggesting the formation of thiadiazole ring.

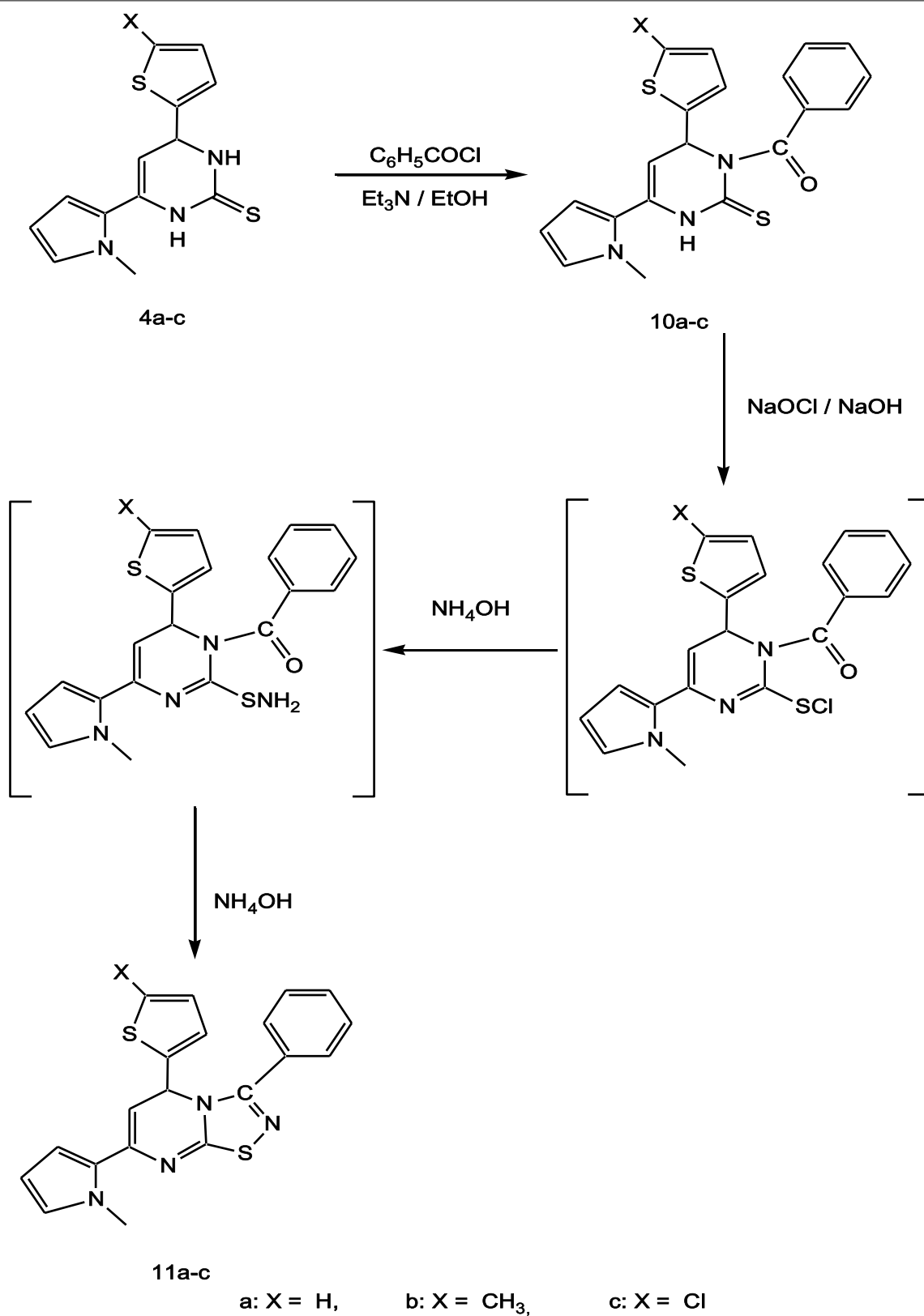
The third part of this work was designed to synthesise the non-condensed system namely: pyrimidopyrazol-3-ones **13a-c** and fused heterocyclics compounds triazolo[4,3-a]pyrimidines **14a-c**. Hydrazinolysis of pyrimidine-2-thiones **4a-c** with hydrazine hydrate under reflux gave the corresponding hydrazino compounds **12a-c**, Scheme 4. The structures of **12a-c** were established on the basis of their elemental analysis and spectral data, the IR spectra of the compounds **12a-c** showed absorption bands at (3376–3173) cm^{-1} for NH_2 and NH groups. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ spectra indicated D_2O exchangeable singlet signals at (4.46–4.65), (8.79–9.23) and (9.85–10.44) ppm corresponding to the NH_2 , NH of pyrimidine and NH of hydrazine, respectively. Cyclocondensation of the hydrazinopyrimidine compounds **12a-c** with ethyl acetoacetate in acetic acid gave the corresponding [pyrimidin-2-yl]-2,4-dihydro-pyrazol-3-ones **13a-c**. IR spectra of compounds **13a-c** revealed absorption bands at (3178–3208) for NH group and at (1683–1691) cm^{-1} for C=O group. The low frequency of the C=O group in the IR spectra for the compounds **13a-c** is due to internal

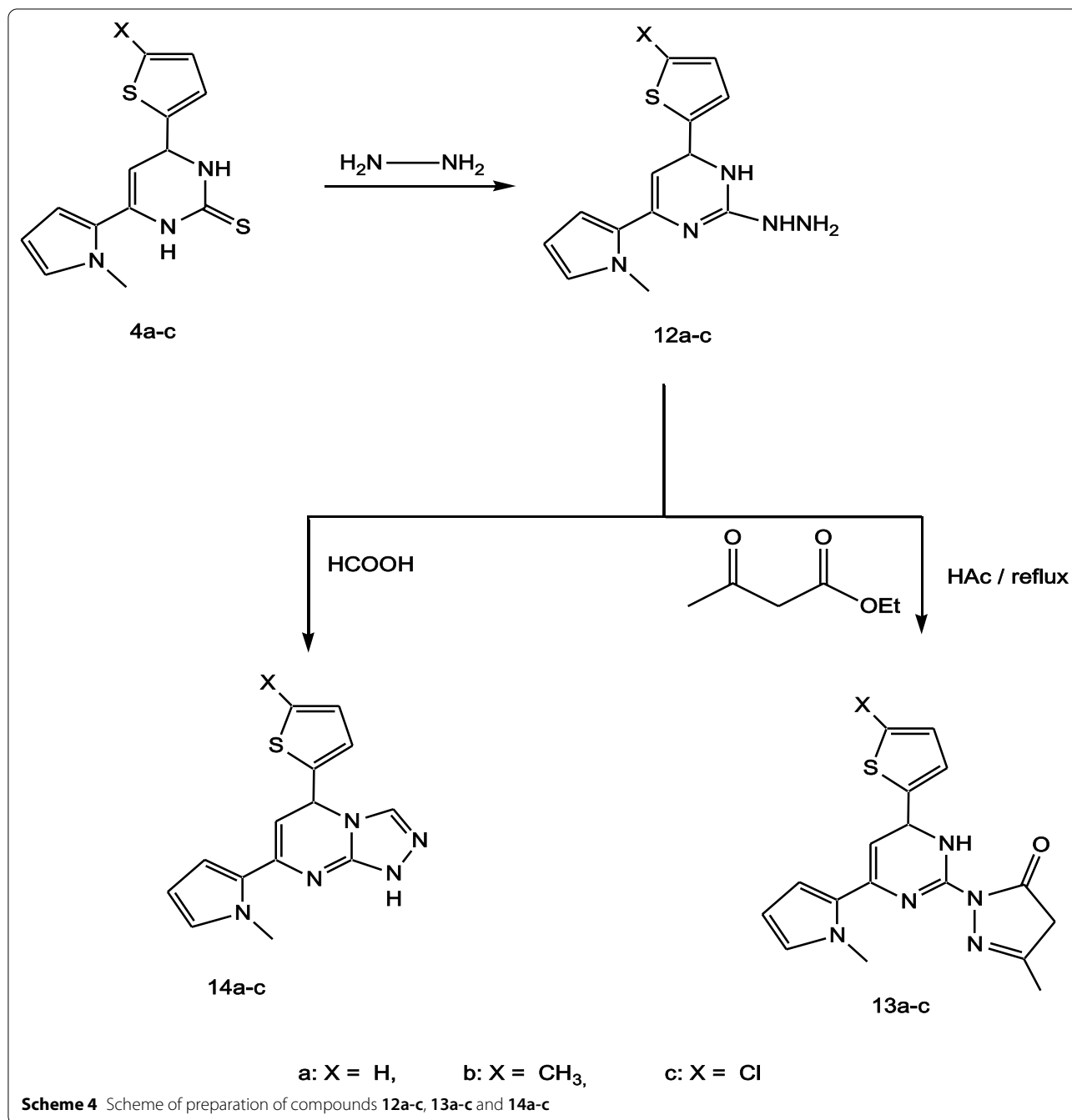
H-bonding as shown in Fig. 1 leads to C=O lengthening and as a result the C=O frequency decreases. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ spectra of the compounds **13a-c** indicated three singlet signals at (1.75–1.89), (2.73–3.09) and (3.36–3.51) ppm for pyrazolyl CH_3 , pyrazolyl CH_2 and NCH_3 , respectively along with D_2O exchangeable singlet signals at (9.38–10.51) ppm corresponding to the NH of pyrimidine. Finally cyclocondensation of **12a-c** with formic acid gave the corresponding [1, 2, 4]triazolo[4,3-a]pyrimidine **14a-c**, the chemical structure of the compounds **14a-c** was suggested by their elemental analysis and through the disappearance of the NH and NH_2 signals in both $^1\text{H-NMR}$ spectra of **12a-c**.

Anticancer activity

Anticancer activity discussion

In this study, selected compounds **4a**, **6a**, **7a**, **9a**, **10a**, **13a** and **14a** were tested for potential cytotoxicity using the Mossman [25], Gangadevi and Muthumary [26] methods for anticancer activity against colon carcinoma cells lines (HCT-116) and hepatocellular carcinoma cells lines (HepG-2) using Vinblastine drug as standard. Data on antitumor activity were represented by the cytotoxic effect of the selected compounds. The inhibitory activities of the tested compounds against colon carcinoma cells (HCT-116) and hepatocellular carcinoma cells lines (HepG-2) were calculated by dissolving the selected compounds in DMSO and diluting with saline to appropriate volume using different concentrations of the samples (50, 25, 12.5, 6.25, 3.125 and 1.56 $\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$), and the cell viability (percent) of the studied compounds was determined using a colorimetric technique, Tables 1, 2. From Tables 1, 2, inhibitory concentration fifty (IC_{50}) which corresponds to the concentration necessary for 50% inhabitation of cell viability was calculated, Table 3. Screening of the selected compounds against human colon carcinoma cancer cell lines and hepatocellular carcinoma cells lines revealed that the compound 2-thioxo-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyrimidin-1-yl]-phenyl-methanone **10a** was the most active among the group of selected compounds with IC_{50} (10.72 and 18.95) μM in both human colon carcinoma cancer cell lines and hepatocellular carcinoma cells lines, respectively, Table 3, Figs. 2, 3. Meanwhile, compounds **4a**, **6a** and **14a** exhibited considerable cytotoxic action with IC_{50} values ranging from (20.88–31.92) μM in human colon carcinoma cancer cell lines and from (35.22–42.63) μM in hepatocellular carcinoma cells lines. Furthermore, compounds **7a**, **9a** and **13a** were showed weak cytotoxic action with IC_{50} ranging from (38.32–54.01) μM in human colon carcinoma cancer cell lines and from (56.55–86.33) μM μg in hepatocellular carcinoma cells lines. The data showed that compounds containing a thio group (C=S) such as compounds **4a**

**Scheme 3** Scheme of preparation of compounds **10a-c** and **11a-c**



and **10a** exhibit the highest cytotoxic activity and this activity increase with the inclusion of a polar group such as the carbonyl group (C=O). The IC_{50} values also show that increased toxicity necessitates larger doses in the case of hepatocellular carcinoma cell lines compared to human colon carcinoma cancer cell lines. As a result, we recommended that the synthesized compound, particularly 2-thioxo-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyrimidin-1-yl]-phenyl-methanone **10a**, be used in the formulation of

antibiotics as drugs to increase the sensitivity of antibiotics that stimulate cancer treatment and cause apoptosis in human colon carcinoma.

In vitro studies

Human colon cancer (HCT-116) cells and hepatocellular carcinoma (HepG-2) cell lines were obtained from the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC, Rockville, MD, USA). The cells were cultured in RPMI-1640 media

Table 3 IC₅₀ (μM) of some chosen synthesized compounds on colon carcinoma cells (HCT-116) and hepatocellular carcinoma cells lines (HepG-2)

Compounds	IC ₅₀ (μM)	
	HCT-116	HepG-2
4a	20.88 ± 1.88	35.22 ± 2.23
6a	31.92 ± 3.67	42.63 ± 4.09
7a	42.42 ± 5.54	59.07 ± 6.01
9a	38.32 ± 4.01	56.55 ± 5.23
10a	10.72 ± 0.83	18.95 ± 1.25
13a	54.01 ± 6.09	86.33 ± 7.33
14a	26.26 ± 3.09	37.87 ± 2.46
Vinblastine standard	3.61 ± 0.43	6.26 ± 0.69

to cause toxic effect in 50% of inactivated cells, was estimated from graphic plots.

Experimental

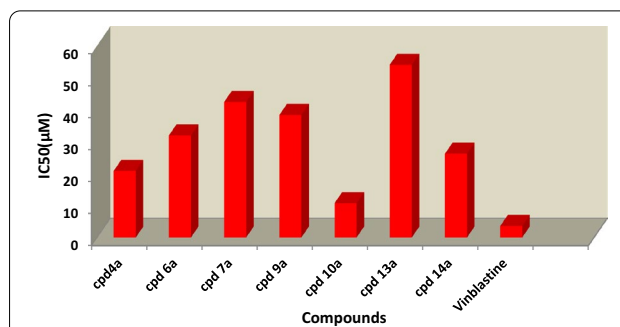
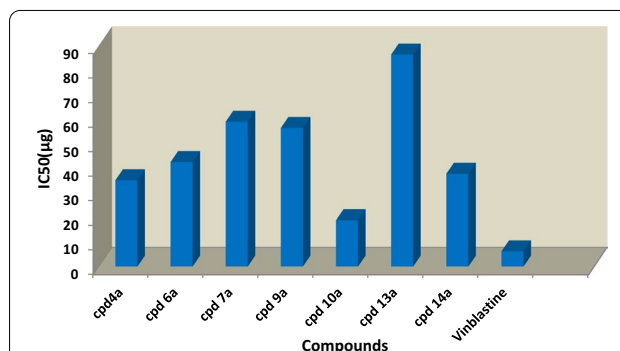
Materials and methods

The prepared compounds' melting points are uncorrected and were determined with MEL TEMP II equipment. A Perkin-Elmer FTIR spectrophotometer was used to record the IR spectra (KBr). The NMR spectrum, including ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR, was registered on a Bruker spectrometer (400 MHz for ¹H NMR and 100 MHz for ¹³C NMR) in DMSO-d₆ as solvent using tetramethyl-silane (TMS) as internal reference standard. Chemical shift values are expressed in parts per million (ppm) and are abbreviated as follows: (s) for singlet signals, (d) for doublet signals, (t) for triplet signals and (m) for multiplet signals. The NMR spectra were obtained at Kafr Elsheikh University's Faculty of Science. Elements microanalyses were carried out at El-azhr University's Micro Analytical Center. At Cairo University's Micro Analytical Unit, mass spectra were collected using a DI analysis Shimadzu QP-2010 plus mass spectrometer. TLC analytical silica gel plate 60 F254 was used to track the success of the chemical reaction and the purity of the compounds.

Chemistry

General method for synthesis of chalcone 3a-c

3-acetyl-1-methylpyrrole **1** (10 mmol, 1.23 g) was added dropwise to 100 mL of 60% aqueous ethanol solution of sodium hydroxide (30 mmol, 1.20 g) in an ice bath with stirring for 30 min. The 5-substituted thiophene-2-carbaldehyde **2a-c** (10 mmol) was added dropwise over 15 min followed by stirring for 3 h in the ice bath. The reaction mixture was left overnight in a refrigerator, the separated solid was filtered, washed with water, dried

**Fig. 2** Represent a comparison of IC₅₀ (μM) for compounds **4a**, **6a**, **7a**, **9a**, **10a**, **13a**, **14a** and Vinblastine against colon carcinoma cells (HCT-116)**Fig. 3** Represent a comparison of IC₅₀ (μg) for compounds **4a**, **6a**, **7a**, **9a**, **10a**, **13a**, **14a** and Vinblastine against hepatocellular carcinoma cells lines (HepG-2)

and recrystallized from ethanol to give the corresponding 1-(1-Methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-3-(5-substituted-thiophen-2-yl)-propen- one **3a-c**. Melting points, yield % and IR spectral data of compounds **3a-c** were collected in Table 1.

General method for synthesis of 6-(1-Methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-4-(5-substituted-thiophen-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-pyrimidine-2-thione 4a-c

A mixture of chalcone **3a-c** (10 mmol), thiourea (0.76 g, 10 mmol) and potassium hydroxide (0.85 g, 15 mmol) was heated in 50 mL of absolute ethanol under reflux for 7 h. The reaction mixture was allowed to cool, neutralized with diluted hydrochloric acid, filtrated and washed with water and then the product recrystallized from ethanol to give the corresponding **4a-c** compounds.

6-(1-Methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-4-thiophen-2-yl-3,4-dihydro-1H-pyrimidine-2-thione 4a According to the previous general method yellow crystals were obtained. Yield (2.23 g, 81%); mp (149–151) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} : 3377, 32,215 (2 NH), (1612–1589) cm^{-1} (C=C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz,

DMSO-d₆) δ 3.42 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 4.76 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine, $J=7.7$ Hz), 6.33–7.31 (m, 7H, Ar–H protons), 8.89 (s, br, H, 1NH, D₂O exchangeable), 9.78 ppm (br, 1H, NH, D₂O exchangeable). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 39.57 (NCH₃), 65.37 (C-4 of pyrimidine), 108.30 (C-5 of pyrimidine), 119.86, 12.05, 124.58, 127.12, 128.66, 130.18 (8 C of aryl carbons), 141.18 (C-6 of pyrimidine), 176.13 ppm (C=S). Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₁₃N₃S₂ (275.39): C, 56.65; H, 4.72; N, 15.25. Found: C, 56.52; H, 4.65; N, 15.27.

6-(1-Methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-4-(5-methyl-thiophen-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-pyrimidine-2-thione 4b Yellow crystals were obtained according to the previous general method. Yield (2.46 g, 85%); mp (155–157) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} : 3387, 3263 (2 NH), (1618–1601) cm⁻¹ (C=C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 2.59 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.56 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 4.94 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine, $J=8.0$ Hz), 6.08 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine, $J=6.1$ Hz), 7.06 (d, 1H, H-3 of pyrrole, $J=6.09$ Hz), 7.27 (dd, 1H, H-4 of pyrrole), 7.43 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrrole, $J=6.5$ Hz), 7.75 (d, 1H, H-3 of thiophene, $J=5.0$ Hz), 7.92 (d, 1H, H-4 of thiophene, $J=5.9$ Hz), 9.41 (s, br, H, 1NH, D₂O exchangeable), 9.96 ppm (br, 1H, NH, D₂O exchangeable). Anal. Calcd for C₁₄H₁₅N₃S₂ (289.42): C, 58.05; H, 5.18; N, 14.51. Found: C, 58.11; H, 5.14; N, 14.43.

[6-(5-Chloro-thiophen-2-yl)-4-(1-methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-pyrimidine-2-thione 4c Dark yellow crystals were obtained according to the previous general method. Yield (2.70 g, 87%); mp (160–162) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} : 3394, 3275 (2 NH), (1611–1597) cm⁻¹ (C=C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 3.36 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 4.83 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine, $J=7.3$ Hz), 6.13 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine, $J=6.5$ Hz), 6.87 (d, 1H, H-3 of pyrrole, $J=5.9$ Hz), 7.34 (dd, 1H, H-4 of pyrrole), 7.56 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrrole, $J=6.0$ Hz), 7.63 (d, 1H, H-3 of thiophene, $J=4.76$ Hz), 8.19 (d, 1H, H-4 of thiophene, $J=5.6$ Hz), 9.65 (s, br, H, 1NH, D₂O exchangeable), 10.08 ppm (br, 1H, NH, D₂O exchangeable). Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₁₂N₃S₂Cl (309.84): C, 50.35; H, 3.87; N, 13.56. Found: C, 50.21; H, 3.90; N, 13.48.

General method for synthesis of Ethyl [4-(1-methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-6-(5-substituted-thiophen-2-yl)-1,6-dihydro-pyrimidin-2-ylsulfanyl]acetate 6a-c

A solution of 3,4-dihydro-1H-pyrimidine-2-thione **4a-c** (5 mmol) and 8 mL of ethyl chloroacetate was heated in 50 mL of absolute ethanol on a water bath for 6 h. The reaction mixture was cooled, neutralized, filtrated and washed with ethyl acetate and then the product was recrystallized from ethanol to give the corresponding ethyl ester **6a-c**.

Ethyl[4-(1-Methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-6-thiophen-2-yl-1,6-dihydro-pyrimidin-2-ylsulfanyl]acetate 6a Applying the previous general preparation method pale yellow powder was obtained. Yield (1.34 g, 74%); mp (138–140) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} : 3222 (NH), 1722 (C=O), 1631(C=N), (1571) cm⁻¹ (C=C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 1.27 (t, 3H, CH₃ of ethyl group, $J=6.9$ Hz), 3.48 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 3.91 (q, 2H, OCH₂ $J=7.1$ Hz), 4.15 (s, 2H, SCH₂), 4.93 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine), 6.27 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine, $J=6.0$ Hz), 6.84 (d, 1H, H-3 of pyrrole, $J=5.6$ Hz), 7.18 (dd, 1H, H-4 of pyrrole), 7.28 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrrole, $J=6.9$ Hz), 7.47 (d, 1H, H-3 of thiophene, $J=5.18$ Hz), 7.73 (dd, 1H, H-4 of thiophene), 8.04 (d, 1H, H-5 of thiophene, $J=6.1$ Hz), 8.58 ppm (br, 1H, NH, D₂O exchangeable). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 41.42 (NCH₃), 46.52 (SCH₂), 65.17 (C-4 of pyrimidine), 120.09, 123.51, 126.11, 128.69 (4 C of pyrrole) 136.13, 138.21, 139.79, 142.32 (4 C of thiophene), 163.74 (C=N), 169.87 (C=O). Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₁₉N₃O₂S₂ (361.48): C, 56.43; H, 5.26; N, 11.62. Found: C, 56.45; H, 5.28; N, 11.57.

Ethyl [4-(1-Methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-6-(5-methyl-thiophen-2-yl)-1,6-dihydro-pyrimidin-2-ylsulfanyl] acetate 6b Yellow powder was obtained according to the previous general procedure. Yield (1.46 g, 78%); mp (147–149) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} : 3262 (NH), 1739 (C=O), 1629(C=N), (16,015–1602) cm⁻¹ (C=C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 1.34 (t, 3H, CH₃ of ethyl group, $J=6.5$ Hz), 2.46 (s, 3H, CH₃ of thiophene), 3.58 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 4.04 (q, 2H, OCH₂ $J=7.1$ Hz), 4.23 (s, 2H, SCH₂), 4.99 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine), 6.61 (s, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine, $J=6.1$ Hz), 6.93 (d, 1H, H-3 of pyrrole, $J=5.3$ Hz), 7.1 (dd, 1H, H-4 of pyrrole), 7.23 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrrole, $J=7.0$ Hz), 7.38 (d, 1H, H-3 of thiophene, $J=5.3$ Hz), 7.89 (d, 1H, H-4 of thiophene, $J=6.3$ Hz), 8.48 ppm (br, 1H, NH, D₂O exchangeable). Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₁N₃O₂S₂ (375.51): C, 57.52; H, 5.60; N, 11.18. Found: C, 57.43; H, 5.55; N, 11.13.

Ethyl [6-(5-Chloro-thiophen-2-yl)-4-(1-methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-1,6-dihydro-pyrimidin-2-ylsulfanyl] acetate 6c After recrystallization according to the previous general procedure, pale orange powder was obtained. Yield (1.62 g, 82%); mp (157–157) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} : 3271 (NH), 1732 (C=O), 1624(C=N), (16,011–1603) cm⁻¹ (C=C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 1.23 (t, 3H, CH₃ of ethyl group, $J=6.8$ Hz), 3.34 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 3.89 (q, 2H, OCH₂ $J=7.4$ Hz), 4.11 (s, 2H, SCH₂), 4.88 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine), 6.43 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine, $J=5.78$ Hz), 6.81 (d, 1H, H-3 of pyrrole, $J=5.3$ Hz), 7.2 (dd, 1H, H-4 of pyrrole), 7.11 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrrole, $J=7.5$ Hz), 7.23 (d, 1H, H-3 of thiophene, $J=5.6$ Hz), 7.74 (d, 1H, H-4 of thiophene, $J=6.6$ Hz), 8.71 ppm (br, 1H, NH, D₂O exchangeable).

able). Anal. Calcd for $C_{17}H_{18}N_3O_2S_2Cl$ (395.93): C, 51.52; H, 4.54; N, 10.61. Found: C, 51.47; H, 4.49; N, 10.57.

General method for synthesis of 7-(1-Methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-5-(5-substitued-thiophen-2-yl)-5H-thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidin-3-one 7a-c

A solution of ethyl dihydro-pyrimidin-2-yl sulfan-yl]-acetate **6a-c** (5 mmol) in 20 mL of absolute ethanol was treated with ammonia until alkaline (pH > 7) with stirring for 30 min at room temperature. The reaction mixture was allowed to evaporate, the residue was washed with water, dried and recrystallized from n-hexane/ethanol to give thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidin-3-one **7a-c** at good yields.

7-(1-Methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-5-thiophen-2-yl-5H-thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidin-3-one 7a According to the previous general method, pale yellow crystals were obtained. Yield (1.32 g, 84%); mp (123–125) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{max} : 1701 (C=O), 1632 (C=N), 1597 cm^{-1} (C=C); 1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 3.37 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 4.15 (s, 2H, SCH₂), 5.65 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine), 6.38 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine, $J=6.8$ Hz), 6.67 (d, 1H, H-3 of pyrrole, $J=6.7$ Hz), 7.02 (dd, 1H, H-4 of pyrrole), 7.32 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrrole, $J=6.6$ Hz), 7.23 (d, 1H, H-3 of thiophene, $J=5.6$ Hz), 7.56 (dd, 1H, H-4 of thiophene), 7.89 ppm (d, 1H, H-5 of thiophene, $J=6.8$ Hz). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 46.11 (NCH₃), 49.34 (SCH₂), 67.34 (C-4 of pyrimidine), 121.18, 125.72, 127.32, 129.66 (4 C of pyrrole) 133.45, 135.18, 136.75, 139.12 (4 C of thiophene), 161.15 (C=N), 172.12 ppm (C=O). Anal. Calcd for $C_{15}H_{13}N_3OS_2$ (315.42): C, 57.07; H, 4.12; N, 13.32. Found: C, 56.98; H, 4.08; N, 13.17.

7-(1-Methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-5-(5-methyl-thiophen-2-yl)-5H-thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidin-3-one 7b According to the previous general method, yellow crystals were obtained. Yield (1.38 g, 88%); mp (128–130) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{max} : 1711 (C=O), 1622 (C=N), (1616–1600) cm^{-1} (C=C); 1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 2.63 (s, 3H, CH₃ of thiophene), 3.41 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 4.23 (s, 2H, SCH₂), 5.63 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine), 6.45 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine, $J=5.8$ Hz), 6.91 (d, 1H, H-3 of pyrrole, $J=6.3$ Hz), 7.22 (dd, 1H, H-4 of pyrrole), 7.47 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrrole, $J=7.3$ Hz), 7.65 (d, 1H, H-3 of thiophene, $J=6.9$ Hz), 7.97 ppm (d, 1H, H-4 of thiophene, $J=7.1$ Hz). Anal. Calcd for $C_{16}H_{15}N_3OS_2$ (329.44): C, 58.28; H, 4.55; N, 12.75. Found: C, 58.17; H, 4.49; N, 12.67.

5-(5-Chloro-thiophen-2-yl)-7-(1-methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-5H-thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidin-3-one 7c Yellow crystals were obtained According to the previous general method,. Yield (1.49 g, 85%); mp (136–138) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{max} : 1702 (C=O), 1627 (C=N), (1622–1607) cm^{-1} (C=C);

1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 3.69 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 4.47 (s, 2H, SCH₂), 5.82 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine), 6.67 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine, $J=6.3$ Hz), 6.87 (d, 1H, H-3 of pyrrole, $J=6.9$ Hz), 7.31 (dd, 1H, H-4 of pyrrole), 7.39 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrrole, $J=6.9$ Hz), 7.73 (d, 1H, H-3 of thiophene, $J=7.3$ Hz), 8.09 ppm (d, 1H, H-4 of thiophene, $J=7.6$ Hz). (m/z): 349 (M⁺, 349, M + 2⁺, 351) (3:1) ratio. Anal. Calcd for $C_{15}H_{12}N_3OS_2Cl$ (349.86): C, 51.45; H, 3.43; N, 12.00. Found: C, 51.39; H, 3.40; N, 11.89.

General method for synthesis of 2-Benzylidene-7-(1-methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-5-(5-substitued-thiophen-2-yl)-5H-thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidin-3-one 8a-c

A solution of 5H-thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidin-3-one **7a-c** (5 mmol), benzaldehyde (0.53 g, 5 mmol), and freshly prepared sodium acetate (0.41 g, 5 mmol) in 20 mL of glacial acetic acid-acetic anhydride mixture (1:1) was heated under reflux for 5 h. The reaction mixture was left to cool down and poured into ice water, filtered and recrystallized from n-hexane/ethanol to give the corresponding compounds **7a-c** at good yields.

2-Benzylidene-7-(1-methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-5-thiophen-2-yl-5H-thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidin-3-one 8a After recrystallization a yellow powder was obtained. Yield (1.51 g, 75%); mp (147–149) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{max} : 1694 (C=O), 1628 (C=N), (1622–1607) cm^{-1} (C=C); 1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 3.49 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 5.76 (s, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine, $J=8.1$ Hz), 6.45 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine, $J=6.2$ Hz), (6.42–7.19) (m, 3H of pyrrole), 7.35 (s, 1H, =CH), (7.61–8.23) ppm (m, 8H, of thiophene and phenyl). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 42.65 (NCH₃), 64.22 (C-4 of pyrimidine), 122.23, 126.15, 128.49, 130.23, 134.47, 136.45, 138.23, 140.55, 144.76, 147.88, 149. (18C, C-aryl), (163.10 (C=N), 167.34 ppm (C=O). Anal. Calcd for $C_{22}H_{17}N_3OS_2$ (403.52): C, 65.42; H, 4.21; N, 10.41. Found: C, 65.33; H, 4.18; N, 10.39.

2-Benzylidene-7-(1-methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-5-(5-methyl-thiophen-2-yl)-5H-thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidin-3-one 8b According to the previous general method, dark yellow powder was obtained. Yield (1.52 g, 73%); mp (153–145) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{max} : 1700 (C=O), 1623 (C=N), (1615–1601) cm^{-1} (C=C); 1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 2.47 (s, 3H, CH₃ of thiophene), 3.36 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 5.44 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine, $J=7.8$ Hz), 6.31 (s, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine, $J=5.9$ Hz), (6.56–7.21) (m, 3H of pyrrole), 7.43 (s, 1H, =CH), (7.57–8.17) ppm (m, 7H, of thiophene and phenyl). Anal. Calcd for $C_{23}H_{19}N_3OS_2$ (417.55): C, 66.10; H, 4.55; N, 10.06. Found: C, 66.02; H, 4.52; N, 10.05.

2-Benzylidene-5-(5-chloro-thiophen-2-yl)-7-(1-methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-5H-thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidin-3-one 8c According to the previous general method, orange powder was obtained. Yield (1.52 g, 78%); mp (159–161) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} : 1698 (C=O), 1629 (C=N), (1620–1607) cm^{-1} (C=C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 3.56 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 5.79 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine, $J=7.5$ Hz), 6.53 (s, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine, $J=6.0$ Hz), (6.81–7.28) (m, 3H of pyrrole), 7.49 (s, 1H, =CH), (7.65–8.31) ppm (m, 7H, of thiophene and phenyl). (m/z): 437 (M⁺, 437, M + 2⁺, 439) (3:1) ratio. Anal. Calcd for C₂₂H₁₆N₃OS₂ Cl (437.97): C, 60.28; H, 3.65; N, 9.59. Found: C, 60.19; H, 3.58; N, 9.53.

General method for synthesis of 6-(1-methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-8-(5-substituted-thiophen-2-yl)-3-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-8H-isoxazolo[5',4':4,5]thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidine 9a-c

A solution of compound **7a-c** (5 mmol), hydroxylamine hydrochloride (0.35 g, 5 mmol), and freshly prepared sodium acetate (0.41 g, 5 mmol) in 20 mL of glacial acetic acid was heated under reflux for 8 h. The reaction mixture was left to cool down and poured into ice water, filtered and recrystallized from ethyl acetate to give the corresponding compounds **9a-c** at good yields.

6-(1-methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-3-phenyl-8-(thiophen-2-yl)-2,3-dihydro-8H-isoxazolo[5',4':4,5]thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidine 9a After applied the previous procedure a pale yellow powder was obtained. Yield (1.46 g, 70%); mp (172–174) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} : 3225 (NH), 1617 (C=N), 1595 cm^{-1} (C=C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 3.38 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 5.56 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine), 5.83 (s, 1H, H-3 of isoxazole), 6.68 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine), (6.63–7.23) (m, 3H of pyrrole), (7.43–8.11) (m, 8H, of thiophene and phenyl), 9.98 ppm (br, 1H, NH, D₂O exchangeable). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 45.44 (NCH₃), 64.22 (C-4 of pyrimidine), 74.93 (C-3 of isoxazole), 123.55, 127.67, 128.83, 130.78, 135.40, 137.33, 139.22, 141.43, 144.38, 148.49, 149.32 (18C, C-aryl), 161.10 ppm (C=N). Anal. Calcd for C₂₂H₁₈N₄OS₂ (418.54): C, 63.08; H, 4.30; N, 13.38. Found: C, 62.97; H, 4.28; N, 13.34.

6-(1-methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-8-(5-methyl-thiophen-2-yl)-3-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-8H-isoxazolo[5',4':4,5]thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidine 9b After applied the previous procedure a yellow powder was obtained. Yield (1.58 g, 73%); mp (177–179) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} : 3207 (NH), 1627 (C=N), (1621–1596) cm^{-1} (C=C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 2.27 (s, 3H, CH₃ of thiophene), 3.46 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 5.41 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine), 5.65 (s, 1H, H-3 of isoxazole), 6.68 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine), (6.56–7.29) (m, 3H of pyrrole), (7.28–8.19) (m, 7H, of thiophene and

phenyl), 10.54 ppm (br, 1H, NH, D₂O exchangeable). Anal. Calcd for C₂₃H₂₀N₄OS₂ (432.56): C, 63.81; H, 4.62; N, 12.95. Found: C, 63.85; H, 4.57; N, 12.86.

8-(5-Chloro-thiophen-2-yl)-6-(1-methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-3-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-8H-isoxazolo[5',4':4,5]thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidine 9c According to the previous general procedure a yellow powder was obtained. Yield (1.72 g, 76%); mp (186–188) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} : 3233 (NH), 1625 (C=N), (1618–1595) cm^{-1} (C=C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 3.61 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 5.69 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine), 5.91 (s, 1H, H-3 of isoxazole), 6.57 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine), (6.81–7.33) (m, 3H of pyrrole), (7.42–8.28) (m, 7H, of thiophene and phenyl), 10.73 ppm (br, 1H, NH, D₂O exchangeable). (m/z): 452 (M⁺, 452, M + 2⁺, 454) (3:1) ratio. Anal. Calcd for C₂₂H₁₇N₄OS₂Cl (452.598): C, 58.28; H, 3.75; N, 12.36. Found: C, 58.19; H, 3.72; N, 12.29.

General method for synthesis of [4-(1-Methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-6-(5-substituted-thiophen-2-yl)-2-thioxo-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyrimidin-1-yl]-phenyl-methanone 10a-c

A solution of 3,4-dihydro-1H-pyrimidine-2-thione **4a-c** (5 mmol), benzoyl chloride (1.40 g, 10 mmol), and few drops of triethylamine in 25 mL of ethanol was heated under reflux for 4 h. The reaction mixture was left to cool down and poured into ice water, filtered and recrystallized from ethanol to afford compounds **10a-c**.

[4-(1-Methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-6-thiophen-2-yl-2-thioxo-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyrimidin-1-yl]-phenylmethanone 10a Applying the previous general preparation method yellow powder was obtained. Yield (1.54 g, 81%); mp (161–163) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} : 3224 (NH), 1682 (C=O), (1605–1547) cm^{-1} (C=C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 3.38 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 5.51 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine, $J=6.7$ Hz), 6.19 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine, $J=7.6$ Hz), 6.65 (d, 1H, H-3 of pyrrole, $J=6.8$ Hz), 7.07 (dd, 1H, H-4 of pyrrole), 7.22 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrrole, $J=6.4$ Hz), (7.47–8.35) (m, 8H, of thiophene and phenyl), 10.98 ppm (br, 1H, NH, D₂O exchangeable). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 49.23 (NCH₃), 61.96 (C-4 of pyrimidine), 121.78, 125.63, 128.01, 130.12, 136.63, 138.45, 140.33, 145.08, 147.24 (16C, C-aryl), 169.55 (C=O), 181.16 ppm (C=S). Anal. Calcd for C₂₀H₁₇N₃OS₂ (379.50): C, 63.24; H, 4.48; N, 11.07. Found: C, 63.18; H, 4.42; N, 10.97.

[4-(1-Methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-6-(5-methyl-thiophen-2-yl)-2-thioxo-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyrimidin-1-yl]-phenyl-methanone 10b Yellow solid was obtained according to the previous general preparation. Yield (1.63 g, 83%); mp (173–175) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} : 3249 (NH), 1685 (C=O), (1613–1600) cm^{-1} (C=C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-

d6) δ 2.17 (s, 3H, CH₃ of thiophene), 3.49 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 5.32 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine, $J=5.7$ Hz), 6.07 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine, $J=7.4$ Hz), 6.71 (d, 1H, H-3 of pyrrole, $J=6.6$ Hz), 7.01 (dd, 1H, H-4 of pyrrole), 7.19 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrrole, $J=6.8$ Hz), (7.34–8.18) (m, 7H, of thiophene and phenyl), 11.34 ppm (br, 1H, NH, D₂O exchangeable). Anal. Calcd for C₂₁H₁₉N₃OS₂ (393.53): C, 64.04; H, 4.83; N, 11.67. Found: C, 63.95; H, 4.78; N, 11.68.

[6-(5-Chloro-thiophen-2-yl)-4-(1-methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-2-thioxo-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyrimidin-1-yl]-phenyl-methanone 10c According to the previous general procedure a yellow powder was obtained. Yield (1.82 g, 88%); mp (178–180) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} : 3263 (NH), 1697 (C=O), (1615–1602) cm⁻¹ (C=C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 3.61 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 5.73 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine, $J=7.9$ Hz), 6.23 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine, $J=6.1$ Hz), (7.34–8.18) (m, 10H, of aryl protons), 11.42 ppm (br, 1H, NH, D₂O exchangeable). (m/z): 413 (M⁺, 413, M+2⁺, 415) (3:1) ratio. Anal. Calcd for C₂₀H₁₆N₃OS₂Cl (413.95): C, 57.97; H, 3.86; N, 10.15. Found: C, 57.89; H, 3.79; N, 10.12.

General method for synthesis of 7-(1-Methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-5-(5-substituted-thiophen-2-yl)-3-phenyl-5H-[1,2,4]thiadiazolo[4,5-a]pyrimidine 11a-c

A solution of compounds **10a-c** (3 mmol), 10% sodium hypochlorite (10 mL), 10 mL NH₄OH and 10% of NaOH (10 mL) was heated under reflux for 3 h. The reaction mixture was left to cool down and poured into ice water, filtered and recrystallized from ethanol to obtain colored compounds **11a-c**.

7-(1-Methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-3-phenyl-5-thiophen-2-yl-5H-[1,2,4]thiadiazolo[4,5-a]pyrimidine 11a According to the previous general preparation method yellow powder was obtained. Yield (0.73 g, 64%); mp (124–126) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} : 1624, 1631 (2C=N), (1608–1599) cm⁻¹ (C=C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 3.58 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 5.64 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine, $J=5.9$ Hz), 6.28 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine, $J=7.4$ Hz), (6.57–8.26) ppm (m, 12H, of pyrrole thiophene and phenyl). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 53.76 (NCH₃), 65.13 (C-4 of pyrimidine), 118.34, 120.15, 124.66, 127.13, 130.87, 133.23, 137.22 139.88, 141.22 (17C, C-aryl), 150.11, 153.34 ppm (2C=N). Anal. Calcd for C₂₀H₁₆N₄S₂ (376.50): C, 63.75; H, 4.25; N, 14.87. Found: C, 63.69; H, 4.19; N, 14.82.

7-(1-Methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-5-(5-methyl-thiophen-2-yl)-3-phenyl-5H-[1,2,4]thiadiazolo[4,5-a]pyrimidine 11b A yellow powder of **10b** was obtained according to the aforementioned preparation method.

Yield (0.70 g, 60%); mp (129–131) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} : 1619, 1627 (2C=N), (1610–1602) cm⁻¹ (C=C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 2.31 (s, 3H, CH₃ of thiophene), 3.41 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 5.42 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine, $J=8.1$ Hz), 6.19 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine, $J=6.2$ Hz), 6.43 (d, 1H, H-3 of pyrrole, $J=6.8$ Hz), 7.06 (dd, 1H, H-4 of pyrrole), 7.17 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrrole, $J=6.8$ Hz), (7.31–8.17) ppm (m, 7H, of thiophene and phenyl). Anal. Calcd for C₂₁H₁₈N₄S₂ (390.53): C, 64.53; H, 4.61; N, 14.34. Found: C, 64.46; H, 4.53; N, 14.54.

5-(5-Chloro-thiophen-2-yl)-7-(1-methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-3-phenyl-5H-[1,2,4]thiadiazolo[4,5-a]pyrimidine 11c According to the previous general procedure a yellow powder was obtained. Yield (0.84 g, 68%); mp (137–139) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} : 1615, 1623 (2C=N), (1612–1593) cm⁻¹ (C=C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 3.53 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 5.64 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine, $J=5.9$ Hz), 6.31 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine), 6.52 (d, 1H, H-3 of pyrrole, $J=6.4$ Hz), 7.11 (dd, 1H, H-4 of pyrrole), 7.25 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrrole, $J=6.3$ Hz), (7.45–8.28) ppm (m, 7H, of thiophene and phenyl). (m/z): 410 (M⁺, 410, M+2⁺, 412) (3:1) ratio. Anal. Calcd for C₂₀H₁₅N₄S₂Cl (410.94): C, 58.39; H, 3.65; N, 13.63. Found: C, 58.25; H, 3.59; N, 13.57.

General method for synthesis of [4-(1-Methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-6-(5-substituted-thiophen-2-yl)-1,6-dihydro-pyrimidin-2-yl]-hydrazine 12a-c

A mixture of pyrimidine-2-thione **4a-c** (5 mmol) and 10 mL hydrazine hydrate in 30 mL ethanol was refluxed for 6 h. The reaction mixture was allowed to cool and poured onto ice water. After filtration the crystallization took place from ethanol to obtain the corresponding hydrazine derivatives **12a-c**.

[4-(1-Methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-6-thiophen-2-yl-1,6-dihydro-pyrimidin-2-yl]-hydrazine 12a After recrystallization of the product from ethanol according to the previous general preparation method, pale yellow powder was obtained. Yield (1.08 g, 79%); mp (167–169) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} : (33,025–3177) (2NH, NH₂), 1617 (C=N); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 3.32 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 4.62 ppm (s, br, 2H, NH₂, D₂O exchangeable), 4.83 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine, $J=6.3$ Hz), 6.21 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine, $J=7.8$ Hz), 6.67 (d, 1H, H-3 of pyrrole, $J=6.3$ Hz), 7.17 (dd, 1H, H-4 of pyrrole), 7.27 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrrole, $J=6.9$ Hz), 7.37 (d, 1H, H-3 of thiophene, $J=5.2$ Hz), 7.73 (dd, 1H, H-4 of thiophene), 8.06 (d, 1H, H-5 of thiophene, $J=6.5$ Hz), 9.11 (s, br, H, 1NH of pyrimidine, D₂O exchangeable), 10.39 ppm (br, 1H, NH of hydrazine, D₂O exchangeable). Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₁₅N₅S (273.36): C, 57.07; H, 5.48; N, 25.61. Found: C, 56.98; H, 5.43; N, 25.57.

[4-(1-Methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-6-(5-methyl-thiophen-2-yl)-1,6-dihydro-pyrimidin-2-yl]-hydrazine 12b According to the previous general preparation method, yellow powder was obtained. Yield (1.07 g, 75%); mp (174–176) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} : (3367–3181) (2NH, NH₂), 1632 (C=N), (1619–1604) cm⁻¹ (C=C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 2.09 (s, 3H, CH₃ of thiophene), 3.49 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 4.46 ppm (s, br, 2H, NH₂, D₂O exchangeable), 4.90 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine, $J=5.8$ Hz), 6.35 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine, $J=7.4$ Hz), 6.73 (d, 1H, H-3 of pyrrole, $J=6.5$ Hz), 7.23 (dd, 1H, H-4 of pyrrole), 7.43 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrrole, $J=6.7$ Hz), 7.56 (d, 1H, H-3 of thiophene, $J=5.8$ Hz), 7.90 (d, 1H, H-4 of thiophene, $J=6.7$ Hz), 8.79 (s, br, H, 1NH of pyrimidine, D₂O exchangeable), 9.85 ppm (br, 1H, NH of hydrazine, D₂O exchangeable). Anal. Calcd for C₁₄H₁₇N₅S (287.39): C, 58.46; H, 5.92; N, 24.36. Found: C, 58.42; H, 5.86; N, 24.29.

[6-(5-Chloro-thiophen-2-yl)-4-(1-methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-1,6-dihydro-pyrimidin-2-yl]-hydrazine 12c According to the previous general preparation method, yellow powder was obtained. Yield (1.23 g, 80%); mp (182–184) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} : (3376–3173) (2NH, NH₂), 1635 (C=N), (1623–1608) cm⁻¹ (C=C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 3.64 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 4.65 ppm (s, br, 2H, NH₂, D₂O exchangeable), 5.08 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine, $J=6.1$ Hz), 6.57 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine), 6.61 (d, 1H, H-3 of pyrrole, $J=6.3$ Hz), 7.28 (dd, 1H, H-4 of pyrrole), 7.38 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrrole, $J=7.0$ Hz), 7.82 (d, 1H, H-3 of thiophene, $J=6.6$ Hz), 8.18 (d, 1H, H-4 of thiophene, $J=7.2$ Hz), 9.32 (s, br, H, 1NH of pyrimidine, D₂O exchangeable), 10.49 ppm (br, 1H, NH of hydrazine, D₂O exchangeable). Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₁₄N₅SCl (307.80): C, 50.68; H, 4.55; N, 22.74. Found: C, 50.63; H, 4.49; N, 22.68.

General method for synthesis of 5-Methyl-2-[4-(1-methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-6-(5-methyl-thiophen-2-yl)-1,6-dihydro-pyrimidin-2-yl]-2,4-dihydro-pyrazol-3-one. 13a-c

A solution of compound **12a-c** (4 mmol) and 10 mL ethyl acetoacetate in 20 mL acetic acid was heated under reflux for 5 h. The reaction mixture was allowed to cool and poured onto ice water. After filtration, the obtained product was dried and recrystallized from ethanol to obtain the corresponding pyrazol-3-one derivatives **13a-c**.

5-Methyl-2-[4-(1-methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-6-thiophen-2-yl]-1,6-dihydro-pyrimidin-2-yl]-2,4-dihydro-pyrazol-3-one 13a According to the previous general preparation method, dark yellow crystals were obtained. Yield (0.99 g, 73%); mp (196–198) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} : (3176) (NH), 1692 (C=O), 1637, 1625 (2 C=N); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 1.89 (s, 3H, CH₃ of pyrazol), 2.89 (s, 2H, CH₂ of pyrazol), 3.63 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 5.94 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine, $J=5.4$ Hz),

6.44 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine, $J=7.9$ Hz), 6.73 (d, 1H, H-3 of pyrrole, $J=6.5$ Hz), 7.31 (dd, 1H, H-4 of pyrrole), 7.51 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrrole, $J=6.4$ Hz), 7.48 (d, 1H, H-3 of thiophene, $J=5.3$ Hz), 7.82 (dd, 1H, H-4 of thiophene), 8.17 (d, 1H, H-5 of thiophene, $J=6.8$ Hz), 9.38 ppm (s, br, H, 1NH of pyrimidine, D₂O exchangeable). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 25.54 (CH₃), 49.34 (NCH₃), 69.75 (C-4 of pyrimidine), 119.19, 121.33, 125.55, 127.32, 130.78, 135.59, 138.84, 145.77 (11 C of aryl C), 158.73, 160.22 (2C=N), 177.04 ppm (C=O). Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₁₇N₅OS (339.42): C, 60.10; H, 5.01; N, 20.62. Found: C, 59.97; H, 4.97; N, 20.60.

5-Methyl-2-[4-(1-methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-6-(5-methyl-thiophen-2-yl)-1,6-dihydro-pyrimidin-2-yl]-2,4-dihydro-pyrazol-3-one 13b Dark yellow crystals were obtained according to the previous general preparation method. Yield (0.97 g, 69%); mp (189–191) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} : (3178) (NH), 1683 (C=O), 1642, 1629 (2 C=N), (1615–1603) cm⁻¹ (C=C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 1.75 (s, 3H, CH₃ of pyrazol), 2.13 (s, 3H, CH₃ of thiophene), 2.73 (s, 2H, CH₂ of pyrazol), 3.43 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 5.46 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine, $J=6.7$ Hz), 6.24 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine, $J=7.3$ Hz), 6.81 (d, 1H, H-3 of pyrrole, $J=7.0$ Hz), 7.29 (dd, 1H, H-4 of pyrrole), 7.42 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrrole, $J=6.8$ Hz), 7.57 (d, 1H, H-3 of thiophene, $J=6.8$ Hz), 7.98 (d, 1H, H-4 of thiophene), 10.51 ppm (s, br, H, 1NH of pyrimidine, D₂O exchangeable). Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₁₉N₅OS (353.44): C, 61.11; H, 5.38; N, 19.81. Found: C, 61.04; H, 5.35; N, 19.74.

2-[6-(5-Chloro-thiophen-2-yl)-4-(1-methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-1,6-dihydro-pyrimidin-2-yl]-5-methyl-2,4-dihydro-pyrazol-3-one 13c Brown crystals were obtained according to the previous general preparation method. Yield (1.12 g, 75%); mp (205–207) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} : (3208) (NH), 1688 (C=O), 1637, 1625 (2 C=N), (1617–1601) cm⁻¹ (C=C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 1.82 (s, 3H, CH₃ of pyrazol), 3.09 (s, 2H, CH₂ of pyrazol), 3.51 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 5.29 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine, $J=6.1$ Hz), 6.11 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine, $J=6.9$ Hz), 6.88 (d, 1H, H-3 of pyrrole, $J=7.5$ Hz), 7.24 (dd, 1H, H-4 of pyrrole), 7.52 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrrole, $J=6.1$ Hz), 7.71 (d, 1H, H-3 of thiophene, $J=6.3$ Hz), 8.23 (d, 1H, H-4 of thiophene, $J=7.2$ Hz), 10.32 ppm (s, br, H, 1NH of pyrimidine, D₂O exchangeable). (m/z): 373 (M⁺, 373, M + 2⁺, 375) (3:1) ratio. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₁₆N₅OSCl (373.86): C, 54.57; H, 4.28; N, 18.72. Found: C, 54.48; H, 4.22; N, 18.66.

General method for synthesis of 7-(1-Methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-5-(5-substituted-thiophen-2-yl)-1,5-dihydro-[1,2,4] triazolo[4,3-a]pyrimidine 14a-c

A mixture of compound **13a-c** (4 mmol) and 20 mL formic acid was heated under reflux for 7 h. The reaction

mixture was allowed to cool and poured onto ice water. After filtration, the obtained product was dried and recrystallized from ethanol to afford the corresponding [1, 2, 4]triazolo[4,3-a]pyrimidine **14a-c**.

7-(1-Methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-5-thiophen-2-yl-1,5-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[4,3-a]pyrimidine 14a According to the previous general preparation method, brown crystals were obtained. Yield (0.74 g, 65%); mp (178–180) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} : (3275) (NH), 1643, 1632 (2 C=N), (1611–1594) cm^{-1} (C=C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 3.37 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 5.38 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine, $J=6.0$ Hz), 6.23 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine, $J=7.3$ Hz), (6.81–7.53) (m, 3H, of pyrrole), (7.89–8.11) (m, 3H, of thiophene), 8.42 ppm (s, H-3 of triazole), 12.83 ppm (s, br, H, 1NH of triazole, D₂O exchangeable). Anal. Calcd for C₁₄H₁₃N₅S (283.35): C, 59.29; H, 4.59; N, 24.70. Found: C, 59.16; H, 4.54; N, 24.62.

7-(1-Methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-5-(5-methyl-thiophen-2-yl)-1,5-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[4,3-a]pyrimidine. 14b Brown crystals were obtained according to the previous general preparation method. Yield (0.81 g, 68%); mp (174–176) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} : (3251) (NH), 1637, 1626 (2 C=N), (1613–1598) cm^{-1} (C=C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.99 (s, 3H, CH₃ of thiophene), 3.42 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 5.19 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine, $J=6.7$ Hz), 6.09 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine, $J=7.7$ Hz), 6.57 (d, 1H, H-3 of pyrrole, $J=6.3$ Hz), 7.08 (dd, 1H, H-4 of pyrrole), 7.34 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrrole, $J=5.7$ Hz), 7.72 (d, 1H, H-3 of thiophene, $J=6.1$ Hz), 7.99 (d, 1H, H-4 of thiophene, $J=6.3$ Hz), 8.25 ppm (s, H-3 of triazole), 12.09 ppm (s, br, H, 1NH of triazole, D₂O exchangeable). Anal. Calcd for C₁₅H₁₅N₅S (297.38): C, 60.53; H, 5.04; N, 23.54. Found: C, 60.51; H, 5.04; N, 23.57.

5-(5-Chloro-thiophen-2-yl)-7-(1-methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-1,5-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[4,3-a]pyrimidine. 14c Dark brown crystals were obtained according to the previous general preparation method. Yield (0.92 g, 72%); mp (182–184) °C; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} : (3272) (NH), 1635, 1621 (2 C=N), (1608–1591) cm^{-1} (C=C); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 3.27 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 5.08 (d, 1H, H-4 of pyrimidine, $J=7.8$ Hz), 6.11 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrimidine, $J=7.9$ Hz), 6.61 (d, 1H, H-3 of pyrrole, $J=6.8$ Hz), 7.01 (dd, 1H, H-4 of pyrrole), 7.27 (d, 1H, H-5 of pyrrole, $J=6.5$ Hz), 7.61 (d, 1H, H-3 of thiophene, $J=7.3$ Hz), 7.74 (d, 1H, H-4 of thiophene, $J=6.8$ Hz), 8.36 ppm (s, H-3 of triazole), 12.56 ppm (s, br, H, 1NH of triazole, D₂O exchangeable). Anal. Calcd for C₁₄H₁₂N₅SCl (317.80): C, 52.86; H, 3.78; N, 22.03. Found: C, 52.72; H, 3.73; N, 21.96.

Conclusion

New condensed and non-condensed heterocyclic compounds based on pyrimidine-2-thiones **4a-c** were synthesized. The first synthetic path way took place through *S*-alkylation of pyrimidine-2-thiones **4a-c** followed by reaction with ammonia to produce the corresponding thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidin-3-ones **7a-c** which underwent condensation with benzaldehyde followed by heating under reflux with hydroxylamine afforded the corresponding isoxazolo [5',4':4,5]thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidine **9a-c**. The second path way of this work was the heating of the key synthons **4a-c** with benzoylchloride followed by reaction with sodium hypochlorite, ammonia and sodium hydroxide to produce [1, 2, 4]thiadiazolo[4,5-a]pyrimidine **11a-c**. A final route of this work was the hydrazinolysis of **4a-c** followed by the cyclocondensation with ethyl acetoacetate or formic acid to produce pyrazol-3-ones **13a-c** or [1, 2, 4]triazolo[4,3-a]pyrimidine **14a-c**, respectively. All newly synthesized heterocyclic structures were confirmed using various tools including, elemental analysis, IR, ^1H -NMR, ^{13}C -NMR and mass spectra. Screening of the selected compounds **4a**, **6a**, **7a**, **9a**, **10a**, **13a** and **14a** against colon carcinoma cells lines (HCT-116) and hepatocellular carcinoma cells lines (HepG-2) showed that the compound 2-thioxo-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyrimidin-1-yl]-phenyl-methanone **10a** was the most active among the group of selected compounds, meanwhile, compounds **4a**, **6a** and **14a** exhibited considerable cytotoxic action, furthermore, compounds **7a**, **9a** and **13a** were showed weak cytotoxic action. These results encourage us to suggest that the compound **10a** be used in the formulation of antibiotics as a medication to improve the sensitivity of antibiotics that stimulate cancer therapy and cause apoptosis in both human colon carcinoma cancer and hepatocellular carcinoma.

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Additional file 1: a) Figures illustrating the IR spectra of compounds 4a, 6a, 7a and 9a-13a. Figures illustrating the ^1H NMR of compounds 4a, 7a-11a and 14a. b) Tables contain elemental analysis for all prepared compounds. c) Table contain melting points, yield % and IR spectral data of compounds 3a-c.

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