Supporting Information

Electrochemical synthesis of versatile ammonium oxides under metal catalyst-, exogenous-oxidant-, and exogenous-electrolyte-free conditions

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General information

Unless otherwise noted, materials were obtained from commercial suppliers and used without further purification. The instrument for electrolysis is dual display potentiostat (DJS-292B) (made in China). The anodic electrode was graphite rod (ϕ 6 mm) and cathodic electrode was platinum plate (15 mm×15 mm×0.3 mm). Thin layer chromatography (TLC) employed glass 0.25 mm silica gel plates. Flash chromatography columns were packed with 300-400 mesh silica gel in petroleum (boiling point is between 60-90 °C). Gradient flash chromatography was conducted eluting with a continuous gradient from petroleum to the indicated solvent, and they are listed as volume/volume ratios. NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker spectrometer at 400 MHz (¹H NMR), 100 MHz (¹³C NMR), 376 MHz (¹⁹F NMR). All chemical shifts are reported relative to tetramethylsilane and solvent peaks. And all ¹H, ¹³C and ¹⁹F NMR data spectra were reported in delta (δ) units, parts per million (ppm) downfield from the internal standard. Coupling constants are reported in Hertz (Hz). GC-MS spectra were recorded on a Shimadzu GC-MS QP2010 Ultra.

Experimental procedure

General procedure for synthesis of ethyl acetoacetate compounds¹



To a solution of 2,2-dimethyl-1,3-dioxane-4,6-dione **B** (15.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in CH₂Cl₂ (10.0 mL) at 0 °C in 100.0 mL round-bottomed flask equipped with an addition funnel was added pyridine (3.0 mL) over 5 min. To this solution was then added a solution of acyl chloride **A** (15.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in CH₂Cl₂ (20.0 mL) over 10 min. This resulted in the formation of an orange solution. The reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 30 min and at RT for 1 h. CH₂Cl₂ (30.0 mL) was added and the solution was washed with water (40.0 mL x 4). The organic phase was dried over MgSO₄ and the solvent was removed to give compound **C** as an orange oil. This was dissolved in EtOH (40.0 mL) and heated at reflux for 3h. Evaporation of the solvent afforded compound β -ketoester **D** as an orange oil.

General procedure for synthesis of pyrazolones²



To 1.0 equiv. of β -ketoester in 50 mL of acetic acid was added 1.0 equiv. of substituted phenylhydrazine (for HCl salt 1.0 equiv. of triethylamine was added). The content was refluxed for 24 h, the contents cooled, and solvent was removed in vacuo. To the precipitate in flask was added ethylacetate to suspend the product and was then filtered to obtain pure compound. Thus obtained product was dried to yield substituted pyrazolone.

General procedure for the preparation of 3a - 3k, 3o, 3p

5-Methyl-2-phenyl-2,4-dihydro-3*H*-pyrazol-3-one derivatives **1** (0.5 mmol) and ammonium thiocyanate **2a** (1.0 mmol) were combined and added into an oven-dried undivided three-necked bottle (25.0 mL) equipped with a stir bar. The bottle was equipped with graphite rod (ϕ 6.0 mm, about 17.0 mm immersion depth in solution) as the anode and platinum plate (15.0 mm×15.0 mm×0.3 mm) as the cathode. Under air conditions, MeCN (10.0 mL) were injected into the tubes via syringes. The reaction mixture was stirred and electrolyzed at a constant current of 12.0 mA at room temperature for 3 h. After

completion of the reaction, the pure compound **3a** - **3k**, **3o**, **3p** was obtained by washed and filtered with 3.0 - 5.0 mL acetonitrile.

General procedure for the preparation of 3l, 3m, 3n, 3q - 3t

5-Methyl-2-phenyl-2,4-dihydro-3*H*-pyrazol-3-one derivatives **1** (1.0 mmol) and ammonium thiocyanate **2a** (0.5 mmol) were combined and added into an oven-dried undivided three-necked bottle (25.0 mL) equipped with a stir bar. The bottle was equipped with graphite rod (ϕ 6.0 mm, about 17.0 mm immersion depth in solution) as the anode and platinum plate (15.0 mm×15.0 mm×0.3 mm) as the cathode. Under air conditions, MeCN (10.0 mL) were injected into the tubes via syringes. The reaction mixture was stirred and electrolyzed at a constant current of 12.0 mA at room temperature for 3 h. After completion of the reaction, the resulting mixture was concentrated under vacuum, add dichloromethane (3.0 mL), refrigerate for 10 minutes, the pure compound **31**, **3m**, **3n**, **3q** - **3t** was obtained by washed and filtered with 1.0 - 2.0 mL acetone.

Procedure for gram scale synthesis of 3a

5-Methyl-2-phenyl-2,4-dihydro-3*H*-pyrazol-3-one derivatives **1a** (10.0 mmol) and ammonium thiocyanate **2a** (20.0 mmol) were combined and added into an oven-dried beaker (250.0 mL) equipped with a stir bar. The beaker was equipped with graphite rod (ϕ 6.0 mm, about 17.0 mm immersion depth in solution) as the anode and platinum plate (15.0 mm×15.0 mm×0.3 mm) as the cathode. Under air conditions, MeCN (200.0 mL) were joined into the beaker. The reaction mixture was stirred and electrolyzed at a constant current of 24.0 mA at room temperature for 30 h. After completion of the reaction, the pure compound **3a** (1.9 g, 77%) was obtained by washed and filtered with 20.0 mL acetonitrile.

Procedure for the preparation of 4a

5-Methyl-2-phenyl-2,4-dihydro-3*H*-pyrazol-3-one **1a** (0.5 mmol) and potassium thiocyanate **2b** (1.0 mmol) were combined and added into an oven-dried undivided three-necked bottle (25.0 mL) equipped with a stir bar. The bottle was equipped with graphite rod (ϕ 6.0 mm, about 17.0 mm immersion depth in solution) as the anode and platinum plate (15.0 mm×15.0 mm×0.3 mm) as the cathode. Under the

protection of N_2 , HFIP (1.0 mL) and MeCN (9.0 mL) were injected into the tubes via syringes. The reaction mixture was stirred and electrolyzed at a constant current of 12.0 mA at room temperature for 2 h. After completion of the reaction, the resulting mixture was concentrated under vacuum and the residue was purified by silica gel column by using dichloromethane and methanol as a mixed eluent to provide the desired products **4a**.

Procedure for the preparation of 8a

3a (0.3 mmol), (bromomethyl)benzene (0.6 mmol) and triethylamine (0.6 mmol) were combined and added into an oven-dried undivided three-necked bottle (25.0 mL) equipped with a stir bar. Under air conditions, MeCN (10.0 mL) were injected into the tubes via syringes. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 6 h. After completion of the reaction, the resulting mixture was concentrated under vacuum and the residue was purified by silica gel column by using petroleum ether and ethyl acetate as a mixed eluent to provide the desired products **8a**.

Procedure for the preparation of 8b

3a (0.3 mmol), 4-methylbenzoyl chloride (0.6 mmol) and triethylamine (0.6 mmol) were combined and added into an oven-dried undivided three-necked bottle (25.0 mL) equipped with a stir bar. Under air conditions, MeCN (10.0 mL) were injected into the tubes via syringes. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 6 h. After completion of the reaction, the resulting mixture was concentrated under vacuum and the residue was purified by silica gel column by using petroleum ether and ethyl acetate as a mixed eluent to provide the desired products **8b**.

Procedure for the preparation of 8c

3a (0.3 mmol), benzenesulfonyl chloride (0.6 mmol) and triethylamine (0.6 mmol) were combined and added into an oven-dried undivided three-necked bottle (25.0 mL) equipped with a stir bar. Under air conditions, MeCN (10.0 mL) were injected into the tubes via syringes. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 6 h. After completion of the reaction, the resulting mixture was concentrated under vacuum and the residue was purified by silica gel column by using petroleum ether and ethyl acetate as a mixed eluent to provide the desired products **8c**.

Mechanism Studies



3-Methyl-1-phenyl-1H-pyrazol-5(4*H*)-one **1a** (0.5 mmol), ammonium thiocyanate **2a** (1.0 mmol) and ethene-1,1-diyldibenzene (1.0 mmol) were combined and added into an oven-dried undivided three-necked bottle (25.0 mL) equipped with a stir bar. The bottle was equipped with graphite rod (ϕ 6.0 mm, about 17.0 mm immersion depth in solution) as the anode and platinum plate (15.0 mm×15.0 mm×0.3 mm) as the cathode. Under air conditions, MeCN (10.0 mL) were injected into the tubes via syringes. After completion of the reaction, products were detected by GC-MS. Not only product **3a**, but also the SCN radical captured product **9a** could also be detected.



Figure S1. GC-MS of analysis of the 9a

Crystal structure determination of compounds 6a (CCDC 2041170): Single crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction of **6a** were grown from dichloromethane. Intensity data were collected with a BRUKER Kappa-APEXII diffractometer with graphite-monochromated Cu-K α radiation (λ = 0.71073 Å). Data collection were performed with APEX2 suite (BRUKER). Unitcell parameters refinement, integration and data reduction were carried out with SAINT program (BRUKER). SADABS (BRUKER) was used for scaling and multi-scan absorption corrections. In the WinGX suite

of programs, the structure were solved with Sir2014 program and refined by fullmatrix least-squares methods using SHELXL-14.

6a



Empirical formula	$C_{16}H_{14}N_2OS$
Formula weight	282.37
Space group	P1c1
a (Å)	9.6728(6)
<i>b</i> (Å)	6.3539(3)
c (Å)	11.8458(6)
α (deg)	90
β (deg)	101.244(6)
γ (deg)	90
V (Å3)	714.07(7)
Ζ	2
<i>T</i> (K)	295 K
$\rho_{\text{calcd}} (\text{g/cm}^3)$	1.313
$\mu (\text{mm}^{-1})$	0.223
Significant reflections	2496

R[I > 2.5(I)]	0.0322
$R_{w}[I > 2.5(I)]$	0.0761

Picture of reaction process



A: before the reaction



B: after the reaction



C: suction filtration



D: pure compound 3a

Procedure for cyclic voltammetry (CV)

Cyclic voltammetry was performed in a three-electrode cell connected to a Schlenk line under nitrogen at room temperature. The working electrode was a steady glassy carbon disk electrode while the counter electrode was a platinum wire. The reference was an Ag/AgCl electrode submerged in saturated aqueous KCl solution. A solvent (MeCN = 10.0 mL) containing "Bu₄NBF₄ (0.1 mmol) was poured into the electrochemical cell in cyclic voltammetry experiments. The scan rate was 0.10 V/s, ranging from 0.0 V to 3.0 V.



Figure S1. Cyclic voltammograms of related compounds (0.05 mmol) in corresponding solvent containing 0.1 mmol ^{*n*}Bu₄NBF₄.

Detailed descriptions for products



ammonium 3-methyl-1-phenyl-4-thiocyanato-1*H*-pyrazol-5-olate (3a). (White solid was obtained in 95% isolated yield, 117.8 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 8.03 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (s, 4H), 7.29 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.99 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.13 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 164.78, 149.54, 141.44, 128.37, 122.28, 117.90, 114.35, 68.19, 13.65. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ Calcd for C₁₁H₁₂N₄NaOS⁺; 271.0624, found 271.0630.



ammonium 3-methyl-4-thiocyanato-1-(p-tolyl)-1*H***-pyrazol-5-olate (3b).** (White solid was obtained in 97% isolated yield, 127.1 mg).¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 7.88 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (s, 4H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.27 (s, 3H), 2.14 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 164.09, 149.31, 138.88, 131.57, 129.01, 118.43, 114.25, 69.15, 20.70, 13.59. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₂H₁₅N₄OS⁺; 263.0961, found 263.0959.



ammonium 1-(3,4-dimethylphenyl)-3-methyl-4-thiocyanato-1*H*-pyrazol-5-olate (3c). (White solid was obtained in 83% isolated yield, 114.6 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 7.75 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (s, 4H), 7.03 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.21 (s, 3H), 2.17 (s, 3H), 2.12 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 163.08, 149.27, 138.70, 136.02, 130.74, 129.38, 119.92, 116.28, 114.01, 69.99, 19.84, 18.94, 13.34. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₃H₁₇N₄OS⁺; 277.1118, found 277.1111.



ammonium 1-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-methyl-4-thiocyanato-1*H*-pyrazol-5-olate (3d). (Yellow solid was obtained in 93% isolated yield, 123.7 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 8.03 (dd, J = 8.0, 4.0 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (s, 4H), 7.12 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.14 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 164.65, 157.97 (d, J = 238.0 Hz), 149.70, 137.95 (d, J = 2.0 Hz), 119.66 (d, J = 8.0 Hz), 115.07, 114.96 (d, J = 22.0 Hz), 68.64, 13.61; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ -120.87. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₁H₁₂FN₄OS⁺; 267.0710, found 267.0704.



ammonium 1-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-methyl-4-thiocyanato-1*H*-pyrazol-5-olate (3e). (White solid was obtained in 82% isolated yield, 115.6 mg).¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 8.08 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (s, 4H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.14 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 164.70, 150.25, 140.16, 128.38, 126.24, 119.37, 114.23, 69.07, 13.63. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₁H₁₂ClN₄OS⁺; 283.0415, found 283.0414.



ammonium 1-(3-chlorophenyl)-3-methyl-4-thiocyanato-1*H*-pyrazol-5-olate (3f). (White solid was obtained in 81% isolated yield, 114.2 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 8.21 (t, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.37–7.14 (m, 5H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.11 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 164.96, 150.55, 142.59, 133.02, 130.09, 121.70, 116.91, 115.79, 114.17, 68.65, 13.59. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₁H₁₂ClN₄OS⁺; 283.0415, found 283.0407.



ammonium 1-(3,5-dichlorophenyl)-3-methyl-4-thiocyanato-1*H*-pyrazol-5-olatee (3g). (White solid was obtained in 70% isolated yield, 110.8 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 8.15 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (s, 4H), 7.11 (t, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.11 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 165.14, 151.57, 143.12, 134.06, 120.86, 115.05, 114.08, 68.82, 13.63. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₁H₁₁Cl₂N₄OS⁺; 317.0025, found 317.0024.



ammonium 1-(4-cyanophenyl)-3-methyl-4-thiocyanato-1*H*-pyrazol-5-olate (3h). (Yellow solid was obtained in 81% isolated yield, 110.6 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 8.28 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (s, 4H), 2.12 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 165.69, 151.89, 144.84, 132.93, 119.78, 116.98, 114.19, 103.15, 68.27, 13.74. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₂H₁₂N₅OS⁺; 274.0757, found 274.0760.



ammonium 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-methyl-4-thiocyanato-1*H*-pyrazol-5-olate (3i). (White solid was obtained in 60% isolated yield, 83.4 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 7.85 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (s, 4H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 2H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 2.13 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 163.71, 155.12, 148.93, 134.77, 120.01, 114.23, 113.45, 68.89, 55.26, 13.46. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₂H₁₅N₄O₂S⁺; 279.0910, found 279.0903.



ammonium 1-(4-(benzyloxy)phenyl)-3-methyl-4-thiocyanato-1*H*-pyrazol-5-olate (3j). (White solid was obtained in 65% isolated yield, 115.2 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 7.79 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.52–7.21 (m, 9H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 2H), 5.08 (s, 2H), 2.18 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 162.20, 154.67, 149.20, 137.33, 134.19, 128.50, 127.87, 127.77, 120.57, 114.67, 113.80, 70.72, 69.55, 13.22. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₈H₁₉N₄O₂S⁺; 355.1223, found 355.1220.



ammonium 3-methyl-1-(naphthalen-2-yl)-4-thiocyanato-1*H***-pyrazol-5-olate (3k).** (White solid was obtained in 74% isolated yield, 110.5 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 8.48 (s, 1H), 8.35 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (dd, *J* = 12.0, 8.0 Hz, 3H), 7.55–7.23 (m, 6H), 2.20 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 164.36, 150.10, 138.87, 138.84, 133.61, 129.62, 127.95, 127.55, 126.24, 124.30, 119.17, 114.16, 113.93, 69.41, 13.57. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₅H₁₅N₄OS⁺; 299.0961, found 299.0957.

ammonium 3-ethyl-1-phenyl-4-thiocyanato-1*H***-pyrazol-5-olate (3l).** (White solid was obtained in 61% isolated yield, 79.9 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 8.04 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 6H), 6.96 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.49 (t, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 2H), 1.21 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 164.17, 154.58, 141.13, 128.46, 122.77, 118.40, 114.32, 68.43, 21.26, 13.10. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+K]⁺ Calcd for C₁₂H₁₄KN₄OS⁺; 301.0520, found 301.0505.



ammonium 1-phenyl-3-propyl-4-thiocyanato-1*H*-pyrazol-5-olate (3m). (White solid was obtained in 60% isolated yield, 82.8 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 8.03 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (s, 4H), 7.29 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.51–2.45 (m, 2H), 1.75–1.62 (m, 2H), 0.97 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 161.18, 153.67, 139.74, 128.67, 124.21, 119.62, 113.50, 72.67, 29.38, 21.45, 14.02. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₃H₁₇N₄OS⁺; 277.1118, found 277.1116.

ammonium 3-cyclopropyl-1-phenyl-4-thiocyanato-1*H*-pyrazol-5-olate (3n). (White solid was obtained in 58% isolated yield, 79.5 mg).¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 8.01 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (s, 4H), 7.28 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 1.93–1.78 (m, 1H), 0.93–0.74 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 164.86, 153.63, 141.42, 128.32, 122.28, 117.96, 114.48, 68.25, 8.76, 6.69. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₃H₁₅N₄OS⁺; 275.0961, found 275.0953.



ammonium 3-cyclohexyl-1-phenyl-4-thiocyanato-1*H*-pyrazol-5-olate (30). (White solid was obtained in 63% isolated yield, 99.6 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 8.05 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (s, 4H), 7.29 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.73–2.59 (m, 1H), 1.85 (dd, *J* = 24.0, 12.0 Hz, 4H), 1.77–1.54 (m, 3H), 1.46–1.21 (m, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 163.33, 157.17, 140.81, 128.44, 123.05, 118.77, 114.22, 68.96, 37.34, 31.38, 26.25, 25.99. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₆H₂₁N₄OS⁺; 317.1431, found 317.1426.

ammonium 1-phenyl-4-thiocyanato-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1*H*-pyrazol-5-olate (3p). (White solid was obtained in 90% isolated yield, 135.9 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 8.03 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (s, 4H), 7.11 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 164.51, 140.62, 140.55 (q, *J* = 51.0 Hz), 128.62, 123.92, 121.62(q, *J* = 402.0 Hz), 118.70, 113.50,

66.20. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ -62.24. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₁H₁₀F₃N₄OS⁺; 303.0522, found 303.0525.



ammonium 1,3-diphenyl-4-thiocyanato-1*H***-pyrazol-5-olate (3q).** (White solid was obtained in 74% isolated yield, 114.7 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 8.12 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.94 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 2H), 7.50 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 3H), 7.44–7.18 (m, 6H), 7.13 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 163.95, 150.21, 140.68, 133.91, 128.67, 128.50, 128.12, 127.34, 123.81, 119.20, 114.40, 69.48. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₆H₁₅N₄OS⁺; 311.0961, found 311.0958.



ammonium 1-phenyl-4-thiocyanato-3-(p-tolyl)-1*H*-pyrazol-5-olate (3r). (White solid was obtained in 72% isolated yield, 116.6 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 8.14 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.79 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.43–7.13 (m, 8H), 7.03 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 165.39, 149.89, 141.39, 136.93, 131.64, 128.85, 128.35, 127.01, 122.54, 118.07, 114.74, 66.64, 20.98. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₇H₁₇N₄OS⁺; 325.1118, found 325.1120.



ammonium 1-phenyl-4-thiocyanato-3-(o-tolyl)-1*H*-pyrazol-5-olate (3s). (White solid was obtained in 70% isolated yield, 113.5 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 8.12 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 4H), 7.35–7.23 (m, 6H), 7.04 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 164.79, 152.49, 141.44, 136.71, 134.09, 130.16, 130.03, 128.42, 127.87, 125.33, 122.65, 118.13, 114.49, 68.73, 20.16. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₇H₁₇N₄OS⁺; 325.1118, found 325.1113.



ammonium 3-(4-bromophenyl)-1-phenyl-4-thiocyanato-1*H*-pyrazol-5-olate (3t). (White solid was obtained in 71% isolated yield, 137.7 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 8.13 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.89 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 4.0 Hz, 2H), 7.67 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 4.0 Hz, 2H), 7.49–7.11 (m, 6H), 7.08 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 164.97, 148.59, 141.04, 133.47, 131.33, 128.95, 128.46, 123.11, 121.05, 118.46, 114.39, 67.53. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₆H₁₄BrN₄OS⁺; 389.0066, found 389.0064.

3-methyl-1-phenyl-4-thiocyanato-1*H***-pyrazol-5-ol (4a).³** (White solid was obtained in 56% isolated yield, 64.7 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.10 (s, 1H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.27–7.18 (m, 3H), 2.32 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.87, 151.41, 134.80, 129.22, 127.62, 122.17, 110.72, 82.53, 11.58.



5-methyl-2-phenyl-4-(phenylthio)-1,2-dihydro-3*H***-pyrazol-3-one (6a). (White solid was obtained in 88% isolated yield, 124.2 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 12.27 (s, 1H), 7.79 (d,** *J* **= 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (t,** *J* **= 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (t,** *J* **= 8.0 Hz, 3H), 7.12 (t,** *J* **= 8.0 Hz, 3H), 2.16 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR**

(100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 156.42, 152.13, 138.51, 138.28, 129.15, 129.07, 125.86, 125.04, 125.02, 120.88, 87.08, 12.43. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₆H₁₅N₂OS⁺; 283.0900, found 283.0898.



4-((**4**-methoxyphenyl)thio)-5-methyl-2-phenyl-1,2-dihydro-3*H*-pyrazol-3-one (**6**b). (White solid was obtained in 64% isolated yield, 99.8 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 12.01 (s, 1H), 7.75 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.46 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.88 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 2.15 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 157.73, 156.87, 152.04, 138.30, 129.09, 128.82, 127.93, 125.80, 120.81, 114.94, 89.68, 55.30, 12.47. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₇H₁₇N₂O₂S⁺; 313.1005, found 313.1007.



4-((**4**-fluorophenyl)thio)-5-methyl-2-phenyl-1,2-dihydro-3*H*-pyrazol-3-one (6c). (White solid was obtained in 80% isolated yield, 120.1 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 12.22 (s, 1H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 4.0 Hz, 4H), 2.15 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 161.67, 159.27, 152.07, 138.21, 133.95 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 129.08, 127.35 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz), 125.89, 120.88, 116.17 (d, *J* = 22.0 Hz), 88.59, 12.39. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ -118.01. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₆H₁₄FN₂OS⁺; 301.0805, found 301.0802.



5-methyl-2-phenyl-4-(p-tolylthio)-1,2-dihydro-3*H***-pyrazol-3-one (6d). (White solid was obtained in 72% isolated yield, 106.6 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 12.18 (s, 1H), 7.77 (d,** *J* **= 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (t,** *J* **= 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (t,** *J* **= 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (d,** *J* **= 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.01 (d,** *J* **= 8.0 Hz, 2H),**

2.22 (s, 3H), 2.14 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 156.81, 152.15, 138.31, 134.91, 134.47, 129.81, 129.08, 125.83, 125.47, 120.86, 88.03, 20.55, 12.46. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₇H₁₇N₂OS⁺; 297.1056, found 297.1054.



4-(hexylthio)-5-methyl-2-phenyl-1,2-dihydro-*3H***-pyrazol-3-one (6e).** (White solid was obtained in 55% isolated yield, 79.8 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 11.66 (s, 1H), 7.71 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.53 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.20 (s, 3H), 1.49–1.42 (m, 2H), 1.38–1.31 (m, 2H), 1.27–1.20 (m, 4H), 0.84 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 157.60, 151.90, 138.31, 129.00, 125.43, 120.37, 91.34, 35.18, 31.04, 29.09, 27.78, 22.15, 14.01, 12.49. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₆H₂₃N₂OS⁺; 291.1526, found 291.1527.



4-(cyclopropylthio)-5-methyl-2-phenyl-1,2-dihydro-3*H***-pyrazol-3-one (6f). (White solid was obtained in 59% isolated yield, 72.6 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) \delta 11.12 (s, 1H), 7.43 (d,** *J* **= 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (t,** *J* **= 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.06 (t,** *J* **= 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 1.92–1.79 (m, 1H), 0.67–0.57 (m, 2H), 0.53–0.41 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) \delta 162.70, 151.80, 136.06, 128.77, 126.06, 121.24, 96.17, 16.29, 11.71, 8.27. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₃H₁₅N₂OS⁺; 247.0900, found 247.0899.**



4-(cyclopentylthio)-5-methyl-2-phenyl-1,2-dihydro-3*H***-pyrazol-3-one (6g). (White solid was obtained in 52% isolated yield, 71.3 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.07 (s, 1H), 7.47 (d,** *J* **= 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (t,** *J* **= 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.06 (t,** *J* **= 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.20–2.91 (m, 1H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 1.80–1.57 (m, 4H), 1.46–1.36 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 163.05, 152.19, 136.13, 128.74, 125.92,**

121.06, 95.48, 77.48, 77.16, 76.84, 47.64, 33.11, 24.49, 11.77. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₅H₁₉N₂OS⁺; 275.1213, found 275.1210.



4-(isopropylthio)-5-methyl-2-phenyl-1,2-dihydro-3*H***-pyrazol-3-one (6h). (White solid was obtained in 70% isolated yield, 86.8 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 11.69 (s, 1H), 7.72 (d,** *J* **= 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (t,** *J* **= 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (t,** *J* **= 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.05–2.92 (m, 1H), 2.19 (s, 3H), 1.15 (d,** *J* **= 4.0 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 156.26, 152.29, 138.39, 129.00, 125.48, 120.52, 90.44, 38.51, 22.86, 12.62. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₃H₁₇N₂OS⁺; 249.1056, found 249.1046.**



5-(benzyloxy)-3-methyl-1-phenyl-4-thiocyanato-1*H***-pyrazole (8a).** (Colorless liquid was obtained in 65% isolated yield, 62.6 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 7.50 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.45–7.40 (m, 1H), 7.30–7.21 (m, 5H), 6.91–6.84 (m, 2H), 5.03 (s, 2H), 2.55 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) δ 162.88, 157.59, 134.36, 133.87, 129.44, 128.80, 128.28, 128.20, 126.95, 126.17, 111.65, 85.62, 50.13, 12.04. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₈H₁₆N₃OS⁺; 322.1009, found 322.1008.



3-methyl-1-phenyl-4-thiocyanato-1*H***-pyrazol-5-yl 4-methylbenzoate (8b).** (Colorless liquid was obtained in 82% isolated yield, 85.9 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.03 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 4.0 Hz, 3H), 2.49 (s, 3H), 2.46 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.22, 151.90, 146.85, 146.55, 137.31, 131.04, 129.92, 129.53, 128.51,

123.88, 123.18, 110.01, 88.90, 22.04, 12.97. HRMS (ESI) m/z: $[M+K]^+$ Calcd for $C_{19}H_{15}KN_3O_2S^+$; 388.0517, found 388.0519.



3-methyl-1-phenyl-4-thiocyanato-1*H***-pyrazol-5-yl benzenesulfonate** (**8c**). (Colorless liquid was obtained in 91% isolated yield, 101.3 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.57 (dd, *J* = 12.0, 8.0 Hz, 3H), 7.33 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.29–7.21 (m, 5H), 2.45 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 151.94, 143.97, 136.73, 135.40, 134.03, 129.49, 129.18, 128.36, 128.31, 123.30, 109.74, 90.53, 13.00. HRMS (ESI) m/z: [M+K]⁺ Calcd for C₁₇H₁₃KN₃O₃S₂⁺; 410.0030, found 410.0028.

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¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) spectrum of 3p



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¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) spectrum of 3t



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of 4a



¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of 4a



¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) spectrum of 6a









¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) spectrum of 6c



¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) spectrum of 6c



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¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) spectrum of 6e



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of 6f



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of 6g



¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) spectrum of 6h

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-D⁶) spectrum of 6h







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