

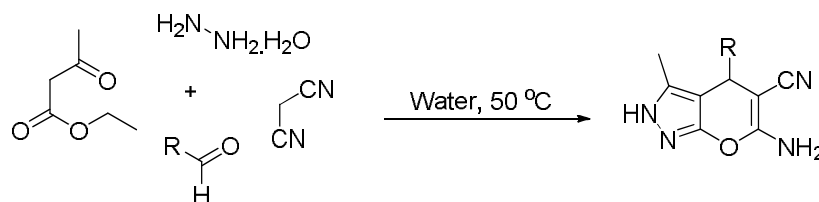
## Supplementary data

### A practical catalyst-free synthesis of 6-amino-4 alkyl/aryl-3-methyl-2,4-dihydropyrano[2,3-*c*]pyrazole-carbonitrile in aqueous medium

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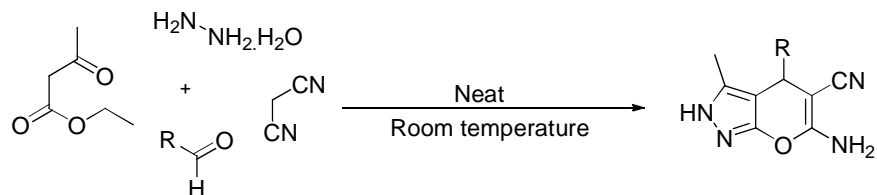
**Table 1:** Attempted synthesis of dihydropyrano[2,3-*c*]pyrazole employing reported method<sup>a</sup> by Shi et al.<sup>1</sup>



Entry	Aldehyde	Time(h)	% Yield (Reported <sup>1</sup> )	% Yield <sup>b</sup> (Observed)
1		5	85	53
2		10	-	71
3		3	73	45
4		12	-	67
5		2	83	50
6		8	-	68
7		3	75	47
8		10	-	62
9		1	80	55
10		8	-	70

<sup>a</sup>Reaction of equimolar mixture of aryl aldehydes, hydrazine, ethyl acetoacetate and malononitrile in water at 50 °C under high stirring condition; <sup>b</sup>Isolated yield following the reported work-up procedure.

**Table 2:** Attempted synthesis of dihydropyrano[2,3-*c*]pyrazole employing reported method<sup>a</sup> by Reddy et al.<sup>2</sup>



Entry	Aldehyde	Time	% Yield (Reported <sup>2</sup> )	% Yield <sup>b</sup> (Observed)
1		5 min	83	45
2		8 h	-	55 <sup>c</sup>
3		6 min	53	34
4		8 h	-	42 <sup>c</sup>
5		8 min	58	37
6		8 h	-	50 <sup>c</sup>
7		10 min	48	32
8		8 h	-	47 <sup>c</sup>
9		5 min	65	30
10		8 h	-	42 <sup>c</sup>

<sup>a</sup>Reaction of equimolar mixture of aryl aldehydes, hydrazine, ethyl acetoacetate and malononitrile under vigorous stirring at room temperature; <sup>b</sup>Isolated Yield; <sup>c</sup>Reaction did not complete.

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