Synthesis and Photochemical Properties of *trans*-2-(2-Aryl- or heteroarylvinyl)-4,5-dichloropyridazin-3(2*H*)-ones

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trans-2-(2-Aryl- or heteroarylvinyl)-4,5-dichloropyridazin-3(2H)-ones **3** were synthesized from 4,5-dichloropyridazin-3(2H)-one via 2 step. The photochemical behavior of **3** in THF, methylene chloride, acetonitrile and methanol is dependent on the kind of aryl or heterocyclic ring and the solvent polarity

pyridazin-3(2H)-one

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INTRODUCTION

The development of luminescent molecules is an active field of research in supramolecular chemistry [1-8]. An important area within this field is the development of novel luminescent chemosensors [6-8] because those sensors have the advantage of possessing high sensitivity and selectivity, as well as providing on-line and real time analysis revolutionizing the field of chemical analysis [9-25].

In connection with our research program for the novel chemosensors, we studied the fluorescence molecule involving the $(n\pi^*)$ state. Recently, we reported the synthesis and the photophysical properties of some *N*-styrylazinones containing Het-N-CH=CH-Ar moiety [26].

According to our previous results [26], *trans*-4,5-dichloro-2-styrylpyridazin-3(2*H*)-one showed the potential for applications as a spectroscopic or fluorescent probe. Therefore, we attempted the evaluation of the photophysical properties for some *trans*-2-(2-ary- or heteroarylvinyl)-4,5-dichloropyridazin-3(2*H*)-one as a fluorescence molecules. Here we report on their photophysical properties.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

-4,5-dichloropyridazin-3(2H)-one

Some *trans*-2-(2-aryl or heteroarylvinyl)-4,5-dichloropyridazin-3(2*H*)-ones **3** were prepared from 4,5-dichloropyridazin-3(2*H*)-one *via* two steps according to the literature method [26] (Scheme 1). The results were shown in Table 1. After compound **2** [27] was reacted with potassium iodide followed by triphenylphosphine, the resulting mixture was treated with heterocyclic aldehyde in the presence of potassium *tert*-butoxide in refluxing acetonitrile to give *trans*-isomer **3** as the major product and *cis*-isomer as the minor product. However, we isolated only *trans*-isomers **3** for our examination. The proposed structures of **3** were established by NMR, IR, HRMS and elemental analyses.

Absorption spectra. All the *trans*-2-(2-arylvinyl)-4,5dichloropyridazin-3(2H)-ones 3 except for 3d in methylene chloride, tetrahydrofuran, acetonitrile and methanol display a single intense long-wavelength absorption band. The corresponding absorption maxima are reported in Table 2, and their normalized spectra are presented in Figure 1 for 3a - 3h. The absorption maxima of 3 depend on the heterocycles and the solvents. Comparing with 3h, compounds 3a, 3b and 3d - 3g show the red-shift effect in the four solvents. Although 3c shows the red-shift in methylene chloride, it shows the blue-shift in THF, methanol and acetonitrile. The magnitude of the absorption maximum for 3 in each solvent is in the order 3c > 3a> 3f > 3b > 3e > 3g > 3h > 3d in methylene chloride, 3a >3f > 3b > 3e > 3g > 3d > 3h > 3c in THF, 3a > 3f > 3b >3e > 3g > 3d > 3h > 3c in acetonitrile, and 3a > 3f > 3b >3e > 3g > 3d > 3c in methanol. Compound 3d have an absorption maximum and a second absorption band from *d-d* transition [28] at longer wavelengths in four solvents.

Emission spectra. The fluorescence spectra of trans-2-(2arylvinyl)-4,5-dichloropyridazin-3(2H)-ones 3 except for 3d are structured in THF, methylene chloride, methanol and acetonitrile. The fluorescence maxima (λ_f), the halfbandwidth $(\Delta v_{1/2})$, the 0,0 transitions $(\lambda_{0.0})$, the Stokes shift (Δv_{st}) , and the quantum yield (Φ) of trans-2-(2-aryl or heteroarylvinyl)-4,5-dichloropyridazin-3(2H)-ones 3a - 3c and 3e - 3h in four solvents are reported in Table 3. The size of the solvatochromic shifts and the shape of the fluorescence spectra depend on the kind of aryl or heterocyclic ring. As shown in Figure 3, the fluorescence spectra are in a normal Gaussian shape, but they are not available for 3d in four solvents. Therefore, compound 3d cannot be used as the fluorescence probe. Among eight compounds, the emission maximum of 3a is the largest in methanol and acetonitrile, while the emission maximum of 3c is the smallest in four solvents. The quantum yield of compound 3e in methylene chloride is the highest. The 0,0 transition values of 3a-3c and 3e -3g are larger than that of **3h** involving the phenyl ring in four solvents.

The photophysical properties of 3 like *N*-styrylazinone affect on the deconjugation that twisted the C-N bond between the azinone and the styryl group [26]. The fluorescence of *trans*-stilbene depends on the double bond torsional barrier. Substituents in stilbene can, in principle affect on the torsional barrier [29,30]. Therefore, the photophysical properties of 3 may regarded to depend on the deconjugation and the kind of ring attached at vinyl group.

Table 1
Yields of 3

Entry	Entry 3, R		Yield (%) ^a	Entry		3, R	Yield (%) ^a
1	a	C ₆ H ₅ CHCH-	62	5	e	Naphth-2-yl	63
2	b	2-Thiophenyl	66	6	f	2-Furyl	66
3	c	Pyridin-2-yl	58	7	g	4-(Me)thiazol-5-yl	64
4	d	Ferrocen-1-yl	61	8	h	C_6H_5	67

^aIsolated yield

 $\label{eq:Table 2} \textbf{Table 2}$ The Absorption maxima (nm) for $\textit{trans}\text{-}2\text{-}(2\text{-aryl or heteroarylvinyl})\text{-}4,5\text{-}dichloropyridazin-}3(2\textit{H})\text{-}ones \ \textbf{3}.$

Entry	3	$\lambda_{ ext{max}}{}^{a}\left(\epsilon ight) ^{ ext{b}}$					
		CH ₂ Cl ₂	THF	CH ₃ CN	MeOH		
1	3a	393(8452)	393(8815)	387(7758)	387(9217)		
2	3b	391(8118)	387(8163)	380(8903)	383(8913)		
3	3c	394(7247)	366(7441)	360(8529)	356(8015)		
4	3d	370(7830)	372(7673)	367(6741)	366(9326)		
		[508] °	[501]°	[496]°	[502]°		
5	3e	385(7782)	382(8771)	376(8794)	374(9170)		
6	3f	392(8541)	391(7909)	385(7948)	386(8978)		
7	3g	381(7905)	380(8737)	376(8635)	372(8925)		
8	3h	371(8657)	371(8799)	365(10410)	366(8254)		

^a1.0 x 10⁻⁴ M. ^b(M⁻¹cm⁻¹). ^cThe second absorption band is given in brackets.

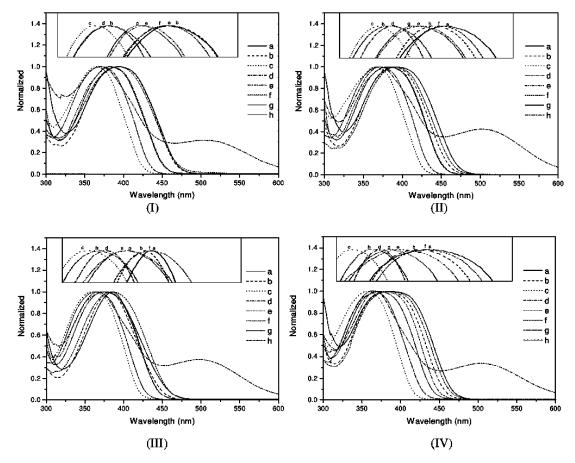


Figure 1. Normalized UV-vis absorption spectra for 3a - 3h in methylene chloride (I), THF (II), acetonitrile (III) and methanol (IV).

 $\textbf{Table 3.} \ \ \text{Maxima of fluorescence } (\lambda_f), \ \text{fluorescence band half-width } (\Delta\nu_{1/2}), \ 0.0 \ \text{transition } (\lambda_{0,0}), \ \text{Stokes shifts } (\Delta\nu_{st}), \ \text{and quantum yields of 3 in tetrahydrofuran, methylene chloride, methanol and acctonitrile}^a$

Entry	3	Solvent	λ _f (nm)	$\Delta v_{\rm st} \ ({ m cm}^{-1})^{ m b}$	λ _{0,0} (nm) ^c	$\Delta v_{1/2}$ (cm ⁻¹)	Quantum Yield(Φ) ^d
1		THF	526	6466	471	2518	0.30
2	3a	CH_2Cl_2	524	7060	470	2545	0.17
3		MeOH	531	7041	494	2580	0.18
4		CH ₃ CN	531	7116	465	2548	0.24
5		THF	524	6738	462	2663	0.43
6	3b	CH_2Cl_2	519	6308	464	2685	0.63
7	30	MeOH	527	7116	487	2629	0.32
8		CH ₃ CN	527	7212	457	2613	0.38
9		THF	482	6554	424	3720	0.34
10	2 -	CH_2Cl_2	482	6726	423	3774	0.28
11	3c	MeOH	481	7340	441	3839	0.50
12		CH_3CN	484	11237	414	3787	0.14
13		THF	514	6723	543	2931	0.72
14	3e	CH_2Cl_2	514	6534	453	2945	0.83
15		MeOH	517	7377	478	2881	0.59
16		CH_3CN	520	7370	448	2820	0.70
17		THF	527	6615	467	2528	0.36
18	3f	CH_2Cl_2	525	6444	468	2550	0.34
19		MeOH	527	6931	496	2460	0.28
20		CH ₃ CN	530	7126	464	2495	0.29
21		THF	517	7008	452	2960	0.44
22		CH_2Cl_2	502	5635	450	3023	0.56
23	3g	MeOH	517	7576	471	3063	0.49
24	_	CH_3CN	519	7381	448	2921	0.32

Table 3.	(continued)
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Entry	3	Solvent	λ _f (nm)	$\Delta v_{\rm st} \ ({\rm cm}^{-1})^{\rm b}$	λ _{0,0} (nm) ^c	$\Delta v_{1/2}$ (cm ⁻¹)	Quantum Yield(Φ) ^d
25	3h	THF	492	6629	435	3451	0.29
26		CH ₂ Cl ₂	492	6608	434	3407	0.26
27		MeOH	494	7096	431	3432	0.02
28		CH ₃ CN	496	7335	431	3383	0.15

^aFluorescence data are from corrected spectra. $^b\Delta v_{st} = v_{abs}$ $_{_1}v_{_1}$ "The value of $\lambda_{0,0}$ was obtained from the intersection of normalized absorption and fluorescence spectra. "Quantum yield of the emission is evaluated in acetonitrile at 25°C, the quantum yield values is that relative to 9,10-diphenylanthracene (1.00 x 10⁻⁴M) in acetonitrile (from 352 nm excitation wavelength, Φ = 0.95).

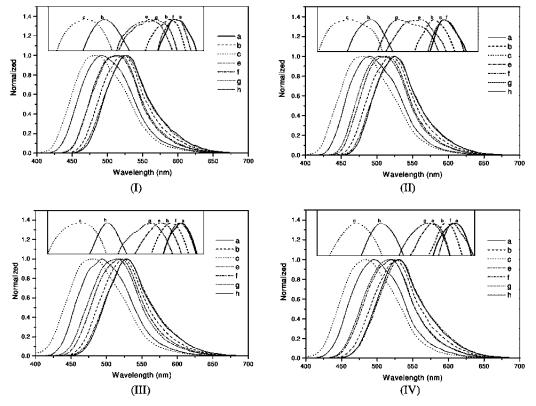


Figure 2. Normalized fluorescence spectra of 3a - 3c and 3e - 3h in THF (I), methylene chloride (II), methanol (III) and acetonitrile (IV).

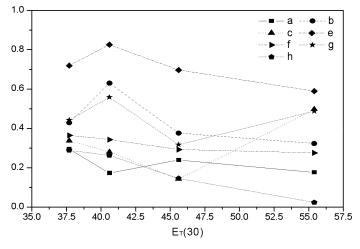


Figure 3. The plot of Φ_f against the solvent parameter $[E_T(30)]$ for $\mathbf{3a} - \mathbf{3g}$. The solvents $[E_T(30)]$ are (from left to right) THF (37.4), methylene chloride (40.7), acetonitrile (45.6), and methanol.

In general, the photophysical behaviors also depend on the solvent polarity. Therefore, we studied the relationship of quantum yield and the microscopic solvent polarity parameter for compounds 3. The plots of Φ against the microscopic solvent polarity parameter, $E_T(30)$ [31], are shown in Figure 3 for $3\mathbf{a} - 3\mathbf{c}$ and $3\mathbf{e} - 3\mathbf{h}$. Nice linear relationship can be observed for $3\mathbf{f}$ and $3\mathbf{h}$, although others show the large deviation in methylene chloride.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, the heterocycle-dependent photophysical behavior of the some *trans*-2-(2-arylvinyl)-4,5-dichloropyridazin-3(2H)-ones **3** as novel fluorescent molecules has been elucidated. By examining the photophysical properties of these new *trans*-2-(2-arylvinyl)-4,5-dichloropyridazin-3(2H)-ones **3**, the size of solvatochromic shifts and the shape of the fluorescence spectra in four solvents depend on the kind of heterocycles and the solvent polarity. By introducing suitable recognition site on the pyridazinone, **3e** may use a platform for fluorescence probes.

EXPERIMENTAL

General. Melting points were determined with a capillary apparatus and uncorrected. ^{1}H and 13 NMR spectra were recorded on a 300 MHz spectrometer with chemical shift values reported in δ units (ppm) relative to an internal standard TMS. IR spectra were obtained on an IR spectrophotometer. Elemental analyses were performed with a Perkin Elmer 240 C. Open-bed chromatography was carried out on silica gel (70 – 230 mesh, Merck) using gravity flow. The column was packed as slurries with the elution solvent.

4.2. Typical process of 4,5-dichloro-2-chloromethyl-pyridazin-3(2H)-one (2) [27]. A mixture of 4,5-dichloropyridazin-3(2H)-one (1, 60g, 364mmol) and distilled water (350 mL) was stirred for 10 minutes at room temperature. After adding formaldehyde solution (36%, 70 mL), the solution was refluxed for 1.5 hours. After cooling to $5 - 10^{\circ}$ C, the resulting precipitate was filtered, washed with cold water (0 - 5°C, 200 mL) and dried in air to give N-hydroxymethyl-4,5-dichloropyridazin-3(2H)-one. A solution of thionyl chloride (357 mmol) and dimethylformamide (360 mmol) in methylene chloride (50 mL) was added slowly to the mixture of N-hydroxymethyl-4,5dichloropyridazin-3(2H)-one and methylene chloride (550 mL) for 30 minutes at room temperature with stirring. The resulting mixture was stirred for 2 hours at room temperature. After cooling to 0°C, water (200 mL) was added slowly. And the solution was neutralized to pH 6.7 - 7.4 by using saturated solution of NaHCO3. The organic layer was separated and then dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate. The resulting organic solution was evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was washed with n-hexane (100 mL) to give 4,5-dichloro-2chloromethylpyridazin-3(2H)-one (2, 71.2g, 92%). White crystal (diethyl ether/n-hexane = 1:5, v/v). mp 69 - 70 °C (lit.[27] mp 70 - 71 °C). TLC (CH_2Cl_2) $R_f = 0.65$. IR (KBr) 3046, 2984, 1670, 1292, 1122, 964 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 5.83 (s, 2H), 7.88 ppm (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 58.40, 134.87, 137.23, 137.34, 155.58 ppm. *Anal.* calcd. for C₅H₃Cl₃N₃O: C 28.13, H 1.42, N 13.12; Found: C 28.10, H 1.41, N 13.09.

Typical process of [(4,5-dichloro-6-oxopyridazin-1(6H)yl)methyl]triphenyl phosphonium iodide. A mixture of 2chloromethyl-4,5-dichloropyridazin-3(2H)-one (2, 3 g, 14.055 mmol), sodium iodide (2.45 g, 14.76 mmol) and acetonitrile (50 mL) was refluxed for 10 hours. After cooling to 30 - 40 °C, triphenylphosphine (4.07 g, 15.51 mmol) was added to the reaction solution. And the mixture was then refluxed for 6 hours. After cooling to room temperature, the mixture was filtered by using Celite 545 and washed with methylene chloride (50 mL). The organic layer was concentrated under reduced pressure. After adding dichloromethane (100 mL) to the resulting mixture, the solution was stirred for 20 minutes. The solution was filtered and than concentrated under reduced pressure. After cooling to room temperature, the resulting precipitate was filtered, washed with excess diethyl ether and dried to the product as thin yellow crystals. The product was used without purified further more.

Typical process of trans-2-(2-arylvinyl)-4,5-dichloropyridazin-3(2H)-one 3. To a solution of crude [(4,5-dichloro-6oxopyridazin-1(6H)-yl)methyl]triphenyl phosphon-ium iodide (8 g, 14.10 mmol) in acetonitrile (50 mL) was added arylaldehyde (14.10 mmol) at 0 - 10°C. After stirring for 30 minites, potassium t-butoxide (2.05 g, 95%, 17.21 mmol) was added. The resulting mixture was stirred for 2 hours. The solution was concentrated under reduced pressure. After adding dichloromethane (100mL) and than water (50 mL), the solution was stirred for 10 minites, and neutralized to pH 6.7 – 7.4 by using saturated solution of NaHCO₃. The organic layer was separated and then dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate. The resulting organic solution was evaporated under reduced pressure. The resulting residue was applied to the top of an open-bed silica gel. The column was eluted with methylene chloride/n-hexane (1: 4, v/v). Fractions containing trans-isomer 3 were combined and evaporated to give pure *trans*-isomer 3, respectively.

4,5-Dichloro-2-((1*E*,3*E*)-**4-phenylbuta-1,3-diphenyl)pyridazin-3(2***H***)-one (3a). mp 182 - 184°C. IR (KBr) 3100, 1678, 1594, 1296, 1150, 1110, 982, 968, 898, 752, 694 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) \delta 6.75 (d, J = 15.37Hz, 1H), 6.93 (dd, J = 10.97. 15.32Hz, 1H), 7.11 (dd, J = 10.94, 13.52Hz, 1H), 7.23 \sim 7.29 (m, 1H), 7.32 \sim 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.42 \sim 7.4 (m, 2H), 7.75 (d, J = 13.50Hz, 1H), 7.86 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) \delta 122.74, 125.34, 126.58, 126.68, 128.17, 128.75, 134.30, 135.68, 135.80, 136.13, 136.74, 154.46.** *Anal.* **calcd for C₁₄H₁₀Cl₂N₂O: C, 57.36; H, 3.44; N, 9.56. Found: C, 57.35; H, 3.43; N, 9.54. HRMS(EI) calcd. for C₁₄H₁₀Cl₂N₂O 292.0170, Found: m/z 292.0164.**

trans-4,5-Dichloro-2-(2-(thiophen-2-yl)vinyl)pyridazin-3(2*H*)-one (3b). mp 183 - 184 °C. IR (KBr) 3122, 1680, 1598, 1302, 1240, 1126, 950, 796, 732 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 6.99 (dd, J = 3.61, 5.06Hz, 1H), 7.13 (d, J = 3.47Hz, 1H), 7.24 (d, J = 6.13Hz, 1H), 7.42 (d, J = 14.13Hz, 1H), 7.85 (s, 1H), 8.00 (d, J = 14.13Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 115.78, 123.39, 125.70, 127.78, 134.40, 134.68, 135.82, 136.10, 138.91, 154.46. *Anal.* calcd for $C_{10}H_6Cl_2N_2OS$: C, 43.97; H, 2.21; N, 10.26. Found: C, 43.95; H, 2.21; N, 10.23. HRMS(EI) calcd. for $C_{10}H_6Cl_2N_2OS$ 271.9578, Found: m/z 271.9580.

trans-4,5-Dichloro-2-(2-(pyridin-3-yl)vinyl)pyridazin-3(2*H*)-one (3c). mp 234 - 235 °C. IR (KBr) 3074, 1680, 1604, 1496, 1460, 1206, 1138, 976, 952, 854, 768 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.14 ~ 7.19 (m, 1H), 7.32 (d, J = 14.00Hz, 1H), 7.34 ~ 7.37 (m, 1H), 7.61 ~ 7.68 (m, 1H), 7.88(s, 1H), 8.55 ~ 8.60 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 121.29, 122.68, 123.69, 128.10, 134.72,

136.10, 136.32, 136.58, 149.91, 153.73, 154.74. *Anal.* calcd for $C_{11}H_7Cl_2N_2O_3$: C, 49.28; H, 2.63; N, 15.67. Found: C, 49.28; H, 2.60; N, 15.66. HRMS(EI) calcd. for $C_{11}H_7Cl_2N_3O$ 266.9966, Found: m/z 266.9922.

trans-**4,5-Dichloro-2-(2-ferrocenyl)pyridazin-3(2***H***)-one (3d).** mp 250> °C. IR (KBr) 3105, 3082, 1662, 1580, 1504, 1286, 1232, 1184, 1126, 943, 891, 820, 711, 490 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 4.15 (s, 5H), 4.34 (t, J = 1.84Hz, 2H), 4.48 (t, J = 1.83Hz, 2H), 7.06 (d, J = 14.13Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, J = 14.13Hz, 1H), 7.87 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 67.48, 69.43, 69.72, 79.88, 121.13, 121.45, 134.23, 135.48, 135.80, 154.27. *Anal.* calcd for $C_{16}H_{12}Cl_2FeN_2O$: C, 51.24; H, 3.23; N, 7.47. Found: C, 51.22; H, 3.21; N, 7.46. HRMS(EI) calcd. for $C_{16}H_{12}Cl_2N_2O$ Fe 373.9676, Found: m/z 373.9671.

trans-4,5-Dichloro-2-(2-(naphthalen-2-yl)vinyl)pyridazin-3(2*H*)-one (3e). mp 194 - 195 °C. IR (KBr) 3098, 1682, 1606, 1140, 972, 838, 760 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz); 7.41 ~ 7.49(m, 3H), 7.65 ~ 7.68(dd, J = 1.72, 8.64Hz, 1H), 7.80 ~ 7.87(m, 5H), 8.23(d, J = 14.31Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz); 122.34, 123.51, 124.32, 126.44, 126.58, 127.65, 127.77, 128.08, 128.65, 132.10, 133.36, 133.58, 134.48, 135.94, 136.07, 154.69. *Anal.* calcd for C₁₆H₁₀Cl₂N₂O: C, 60.59; H, 3.18; N, 8.83. Found: C, 60.57; H, 3.17; N, 8.80. HRMS(EI) calcd. for C₁₆H₁₀Cl₂N₂O 316.0170, Found: m/z 316.0169.

trans-4,5-Dichloro-2-(2-(furan-2-yl)vinyl)pyridazin-3(2*H*)-one (3*f*). mp 138 - 140 °C. IR (KBr) 3122, 1680, 1598, 1302, 1240, 1126, 950, 796, 732 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 6.43 (d, J = 0.61Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, J = 14.10Hz, 1H), 7.42 (s, 1H), 7.86 (s, 1H), 8.07 (d, J = 14.10Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 110.37, 110.98, 111.84, 123.01, 134.37, 135.74, 136.06, 142.96, 150.49, 154.48. *Anal.* calcd for C₁₀H₆Cl₂N₂O₂: C, 46.72; H, 2.35; N, 10.90. Found: C, 46.71; H, 2.33; N, 10.88. HRMS(EI)calcd. for C₁₀H₆Cl₂N₂O₂ 255.9806, Found: m/z 255.9802.

trans-4,5-Dichloro-2-(2-(4-methylthiazol-5-yl)vinyl)pyridazin-3(2*H*)-one (3g). mp 216 - 217 °C. IR (KBr) 3108, 1660, 1598, 1308, 1260, 1158, 1138, 976, 946, 898 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.51 (s, 3H), 7.41 (d, J = 14.04Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d, J = 14.05Hz, 1H), 8.08 (s, 1H), 8.72 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 15.30, 112.00, 124.91, 127.01, 133.36, 135.93, 136.54, 150.66, 152.46, 154.10. *Anal*. calcd for C₁₀H₇Cl₂N₃OS: C, 41.68; H, 2.45; N, 14.58. Found: C, 41.66; H, 2.44; N, 14.54. HRMS(EI) calcd. for C₁₀H₇Cl₃N₃OS 286.9687, Found: m/z 286.9689.

trans-4,5-Dichloro-2-styrylpyridazin-3(2*H*)-one (3h). mp 161 - 162°C. IR (KBr) 3108, 1664, 1592, 1300, 1238, 1134, 958, 898, 742, 696 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.25 ~ 7.38 (m, 4H), 7.47 ~ 7.50 (m, 2H), 7.86 (s, 1H), 8.10 (d, J = 14.35 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 122.21, 124.13, 127.02, 128.49, 128.88, 134.49, 134.56, 135.94, 136.04, 154.68. *Anal.* Calcd for C₁₂H₈Cl₂N₂O: C, 53.96; H, 3.02; N, 10.49. Found: C, 53.94; H, 3.01; N, 10.51. HRMS(EI) calcd. for C₁₂H₈Cl₂N₂O 266.0014, Found: m/z 266.0011.

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