

# An Efficient NiO-ZrO<sub>2</sub> Catalyzed One-Pot Synthesis of Pentasubstitutedthiopyridines

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**Abstract:** Here we report aNiO-ZrO<sub>2</sub>catalyzed one pot cyclocondensation, performed at room temperature in ethanol for obtaining high yields of polyfunctionalized pyridines, 2-amino-4-aryl-3,5-dicyano-6-phenylthiopyridines. The developed protocol obeys certain green principles and is scalable and cost effective. The method offered several advantages, such as operational simplicity, easy work-up procedure, shorter reaction time, and high yields of the products (82–93%). This protocol is user-friendly and could be an attractive tool for the synthesis of highly functionalized bioactive 2-amino-4-aryl-3,5-dicyano-6-phenyl thiopyridines.

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