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Synthesis of Some Chalcones and Pyrazoline bearing Chloroquinoline Scaffold as Biologically Active Agents

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Abstract

Substituted chalcones 2a-m have been synthesized by the treatment of 2-chloro-6-methyl-3-quinolin-carboxaldehyde¹ with different aromatic ketones. Subsequent reaction with phenyl hydrazine in ethanol furnished desired pyrazolines 3a-m. The compounds [2a-m, 3a-m] have been characterised by means of elemental analyses and spectral data. The products were evaluated for their *in vitro* growth inhibiting activity against several microbes. Some of the compounds showed significant biological activity.

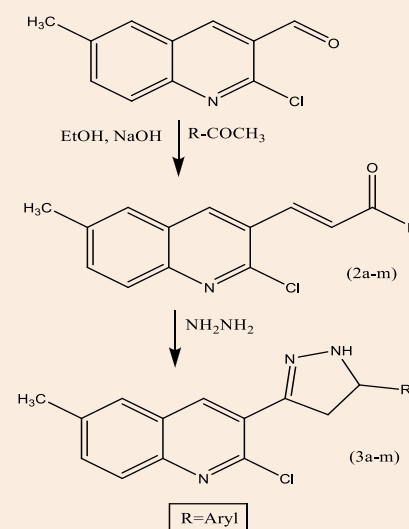
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Schematic Representation of the Research Work



Introduction

Nitrogen containing heterocyclic compounds like quinolones and pyrazolines has received considerable attention in recent years due to their biological activities.

The pharmacological activities associated with quinoline nucleus are as under:

Antimicrobial¹, Anticancer², Antimalarial³, Analgesic⁴, Anti-inflammatory⁵, Antiviral⁶, Anthelmintic⁷, Anti-protozoal⁸, Cardiovascular activity⁹, Hypoglycaemic activity¹⁰, Antialzheimer¹¹ etc.

Pyrazolines possess biological activities like antiinflammatory¹², analgesic¹³, anticonvulsant and Antidepressant¹⁴, insecticidal¹⁵, herbicidal¹⁶, antimicrobial¹⁷, anticarcinogenic¹⁸ and antidiabetic¹⁹, antioxidant²⁰, antihypertensive²¹, antiamebic²², cholesterol inhibitory²³.

Some pyrazoline derivatives are applicable as drugs such as azolid / tandearyl (antiinflammatory), phenazone/ amidopyrene / methampyrone (analgesic and antipyretic), in doxcarb (insecticidal), anturane (uricosuric) etc. These interesting findings inspired us to synthesis some new pyrazoline derivatives bearing quinoline moiety and made an attempt to evaluate them for the biological potency.

The starting material 2-chloro-6-methyl-3-quinolin-carboxaldehyde (1) was condensed with various aromatic ketones to get 3-(2'-chloro-8'-methyl-quinolin-3'-yl)-1-aryl-2-propene-1-ones (2a-m). Compounds 2a-m on treatment with phenyl hydrazine in ethanol afforded 3-(2'-chloro-8'-methylquinolin-3-yl)-5-aryl-1-phenylpyrazolines [3a-m].

The structures of the synthesized compounds were assigned on the basis of elemental analyses, IR and PMR spectral data. The antimicrobial profile of the compounds synthesized has been studied against several microbes.

Experimental:

All melting points are uncorrected. Infrared Spectra (KBr) were recorded on a Shimadzu-435 IR Spectrophotometer and ^1H NMR spectra on Hitachi NMR-300 using TMS as an internal standard.

Preparation of 3-(2'-chloro-6'-methylquinolin-3'-yl)-1-aryl-2-propene-1-ones (2a-m) :

To a well stirred solution of 2-chloro-8-methyl-3-quinolin-carboxaldehyde¹¹ (1, 0.01 mol) and aryl ketone (0.01 mol) in ethanol (25 ml) there was added 40% NaOH (3 ml). The reaction mixture was stirred for 24 hr. The contents were poured into ice water, acidified with HCl and resulting solid filtered and crystallized from ethanol. TLC Solvent System: Acetone: Benzene (2:8).

2k: IR (KBr) : 1654 (C=O), 1603 (C=N). 1591 (CH=CH). 763 (C-Cl); ^1H NMR δ ppm: (CDCl_3): 2.4 (s, 3H, $-\text{CH}_3$), 2.5 (s, 3H, $-\text{CH}_3$), 7.18-7.8 (m, 8H, Ar-H), 6.8 (d, 1H, =CH), 7.3 (d, 1H, =CH).

2j: ^1H NMR: 2.94 (s, 3H, $-\text{ch}_3$); 3.95 (s, 3H, OCH_3); 7.1-8.2 (m, 10H, 8Ar-H + CH=CH).

Similarly, other members of 2 were prepared (Table-1).

Preparation of 3-(2'-chloro-6'-methylquinolin-3'-yl)-5-aryl-1-phenylpyrazolines (3a-m):

A mixture of chalcone (2, 0.01 mol) and hydrazine hydrate (0.01 mol) in ethanol (20 ml) was refluxed for 10 hr. The contents were cooled, poured onto crushed ice and separated solid was filtered, dried and crystallized from ethanol. TLC Solvent System: Acetone : Benzene (2:8).

3e : IR (KBr) : 2921 ($-\text{CH}_3$, alkane), 1623 (C=N), 760 (C-Cl); ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 + $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): 2.83 (s, 3H, $-\text{CH}_3\text{Ar}$), 3.8 (t, 1H, $-\text{CH}_{3\text{A}}$), 4.5 (d, 2H, $-\text{CH}_{3\text{B}}$), 6.2 (dd, 1H, CH=CH), 7.1-7.89 (m, 1H, Ar-H).

3m: ^1H NMR: 2.8 (s, 3H, $-\text{CH}_3$); 3.42-3.75 (dd, 1H, CH_3); 5.85-6.10 (dd, 1H, $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-$); 7.19-9.14 (m, 12H, Ar).

Similarly, other members of 3 were prepared. The physical constants are given in Table-1.

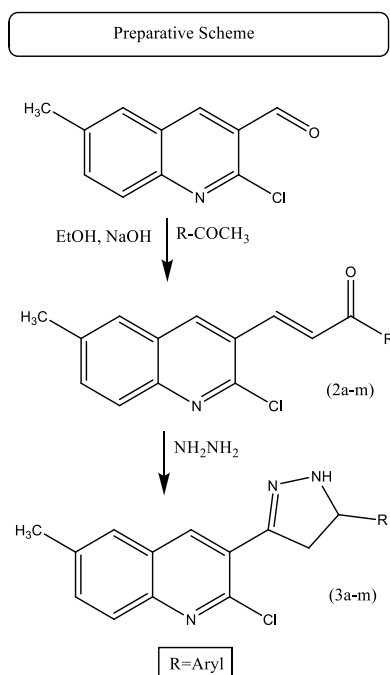


Table 1 Characterization data of the compounds 2a-m and 3a-m

Compd. Code	R	M. Wt.	M.P. (°C)	Yield %	Rf value	N %	
						Calcd.	Found
2a	C ₆ H ₅	307.5	180	70	0.45	4.5	4.50
2b	3-NH ₂ -C ₆ H ₄	322.5	160	65	0.47	8.68	8.62
2c	4-NH ₂ -C ₆ H ₄	322.5	178	60	0.36	8.68	8.62
2d	4-Br-C ₆ H ₄	385.5	180	72	0.48	3.63	3.60
2e	4-Cl-C ₆ H ₄	342.0	180	68	0.67	4.09	4.05
2f	2,4-(OH) ₂ -C ₆ H ₃	339.5	210	72	-	4.12	4.06
2g	C ₄ H ₃ O	297.5	150	50	0.57	4.70	4.65
2h	2-OH-C ₆ H ₄	323.5	150	55	0.50	4.32	4.30
2i	4-OH-C ₆ H ₄	323.5	165	58	0.61	4.32	4.30
2j	4-OCH ₃ -C ₆ H ₄	337.5	160	70	0.50	4.14	4.11
2k	4-CH ₃ -C ₆ H ₄	321.5	175	65	0.70	4.35	4.31
2l	4-NO ₂ -C ₆ H ₄	352.5	170	74	0.59	7.94	7.91
2m	C ₄ H ₃ S	313.5	180	55	-	4.46	4.42
3a	C ₆ H ₅	321.5	120	62	0.50	13.00	13.01
3b	3-NH ₂ -C ₆ H ₄	336.5	140	64	0.47	16.64	16.60
3c	4-NH ₂ -C ₆ H ₄	336.5	190	50	0.57	16.64	16.60
3ci	4-Br-C ₆ H ₄	399.5	145	55	0.61	14.01	14.00
3e	4-Cl-C ₆ H ₄	356.0	180	52	0.44	11.79	11.75
3f	2,4-(OH) ₂ -C ₆ H ₃	353.5	185	64	0.64	11.88	11.82
3g	C ₄ H ₃ O	311.5	180	53	0.66	13.48	13.41
3h	2-OH-C ₆ H ₄	337.5	160	50	-	12.44	12.41
3i	4-OH-C ₆ H ₄	337.5	140	52	-	12.44	12.41
3j	4-OCH ₃ -C ₆ H ₄	351.5	120	68	0.55	11.94	11.92
3k	4-CH ₃ -C ₆ H ₄	353.5	130	65	0.50	12.51	12.48
3l	4-NO ₂ -C ₆ H ₄	366.5	145	71	0.48	15.27	15.21
3m	C ₄ H ₃ S	327.5	185	54	-	12.80	12.80

Antimicrobial activity :

All the compounds reported in Table-2 were tested *in-vitro* for their antimicrobial activity by cup-plate method against various microbes. Under identical conditions, the standard antibiotics showed zones of inhibition penicillin 18-23 mm, ampicillin 15-26 mm, chloramphenicol 15-28 mm against bacterial strains and Griseofulvin showed zones of inhibition of 15-20 mm against *A. niger*.

It can be concluded from Table-2 that the compounds 2b, 2c, 2d, 2f, 2l, 2m, 3a, 3b, 3k were highly active against *B. megaterium*. The compounds 2c, 2d, 2e, 3a, 3e, 3f showed significant activity against *S. aureus*. In case of *E. coli*, the compounds 2a, 2b, 2d, 2m, 2g, 2i, 3a, 3e, 3f displayed maximum activity, while the compounds 2c, 2h, 2k, 2m, 2i, 2j, 2k, 2m exhibited significant activity against *S. typhosa* and *A. niger* respectively.

The compound 3a has been selected for their agrochemical and pharmaceutical screening by Du Pont Agricultural Products, USA.

Table 2 Antimicrobial Activity Screening

Compd. Code	R	<i>B. megaterium</i>	<i>S. aureus</i>	<i>E. coli</i>	<i>S. typhosa</i>	Antifungal activity Zone of inhibition in mm	
						24 hour	48 hour
2a	C ₆ H ₅	16	16	20	12	20	15
2b	3-NH ₂ -C ₆ H ₄	22	15	22	11	25	20
2c	4-NH ₂ -C ₆ H ₄	20	17	18	14	25	15
2d	4-Br-C ₆ H ₄	17	18	20	12	30	17
2e	4-Cl-C ₆ H ₄	19	18	14	11	28	20
2f	2,4-(OH) ₂ -C ₆ H ₃	11	16	12	10	27	14
2g	C ₄ H ₃ O	10	24	15	13	22	13
2h	2-OH-C ₆ H ₄	14	15	12	10	25	22
2i	4-OH-C ₆ H ₄	14	14	19		27	17
2j	4-OCH ₃ -C ₆ H ₄	12	12	19	15	20	15
2k	4-CH ₃ -C ₆ H ₄	17	13	17	12	28	18
2l	4-NO ₂ -C ₆ H ₄	17	12	14	13	25	16
2m	C ₄ H ₃ S	15	15	15	14	28	24
3a	C ₆ H ₅	16	19	20	11	20	11
3b	3-NH ₂ -C ₆ H ₄	15	13	19	10	20	16
3c	4-NH ₂ -C ₆ H ₄	14	16	16	11	25	18
3d	4-Br-C ₆ H ₄	12	16	20	12	20	10
3e	4-Cl-C ₆ H ₄	12	18	19	11	21	12
3f	2,4-(OH) ₂ -C ₆ H ₃	13	17	21	11	22	20
3g	2-OH-C ₆ H ₄	14	16	23	10	24	18
3h	4-OH-C ₆ H ₄	12	15	19	12	20	20
3i	4-OCH ₃ -C ₆ H ₄	12	16	18	11	20	10
3j	4-CH ₃ -C ₆ H ₄	14	14	18	12	18	12
3k	4-NO ₂ -C ₆ H ₄	16	14	22	11	20	15
3l	C ₄ H ₃ O	12	13	18	10	22	16
3m	C ₄ H ₃ S	14	12	18	13	25	20

Enusual:

- Out of the 26 compounds synthesized 100 % of them have shown the growth control on microbes used for the investigation.
- 9 Compounds exhibited 107 to 157 % growth control against *B. megaterium* compare to the standard drugs Ampicillin and Penicillin.
- 6 Compounds exhibited 85 to 95 % growth control against *S. aureus* compare to the standard drug Ampicillin.
- 10 Compounds exhibited more than 113 to 160 % growth control against *E. coli* compare to the standard drug Penicillin.
- 10 Compounds exhibited more than 59 to more than 68 % growth control against *S. typhosa* compare to the standard drug Ampicillin.
- 11 Compounds exhibited 105 to 150 % growth control against *A. niger* compare to the standard drug Griseofulvin.

Table 3 Listing of the compounds among (2a – m) and (3a – m); exhibiting the highest activity against the microbes investigated

Antibacterial activity*				Antifungal activity*
<i>B. megaterium</i>	<i>S. aureus</i>	<i>E. coli</i>	<i>S. typhosa</i>	<i>A. niger</i>
2b (22)	2c (17)	2a (17)	2c (14)	2d (30)
2c (20)	2d (18)	2b (22)	2h (13)	2e (28)
2d (17)	2e (18)	2d (20)	2k (15)	2l (27)
2f (19)	3a (19)	2m (24)	2m (14)	2k (28)
2l (17)	3e (18)	3a (20)		2m (28)
2m (17)	3f (17)	3b (19)		3c (25)
3a (16)		3d (20)		3e (21)
3b (15)		3e (19)		3f (22)
3k (16)		3f (21)		3g (24)
		3h (19)		3l (22)
				3m (25)
Ampicillin (14) Penicillin (14) Chloramphenicol (15)	Ampicillin (20) Penicillin (22)	Ampicillin (18) Penicillin (15) Chloramphenicol (18)	Ampicillin (22) Penicillin (23)	Griseofulvin (20)

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