

A CONVENIENT SYNTHESIS OF PYRIDAZINO[4,5-*b*]QUINOLINES AND PYRROLO[3,4-*b*]QUINOLINES

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Abstract — Pyridazino[4,5-*b*]quinolines were conveniently synthesized from the reaction of *N*-(1,2-bisethoxycarbonylvinyl)-*o*-aminoacetophenone with hydrazines, and 2,3-bishydrazinocarbonyl-4-methylquinolines were easily cyclized to pyrrolo[3,4-*b*]quinolines.

Spectroscopic and crystallographic studies have been reported concerning the structure of maleic hydrazides^{1,2,3,4,5} and other aromatic ring-condensed cyclic hydrazides^{6,7,8} (pyridazines), which are clarified to be an oxo-hydroxy (I-a,b), but not dioxo (I-c), form in solution and solid state, as shown in Chart 1. Pyridazino[4,5-*b*]quinolines were prepared by the reaction of dimethyl acridinates (II) with hydrazine hydrate,^{10,11} and its structure was proven to be the 1-oxo-4-hydroxy form by Godard.¹¹ Recently, we have also synthesized pyridazino[4,5-*b*]quinolines conveniently from the reaction of *N*-(1,2-bisethoxycarbonylvinyl)-*o*-aminoacetophenone (III)^{12,13} with hydrazine hydrate and methylhydrazine. We now report a facile synthesis of the above condensed quinolines.

Refluxing of III (3.3 mmol) with hydrazine hydrate (6.6 mmol) in EtOH (15 ml) for 5 hr precipitated red needles, 4-hydroxy-10-methyl-1-oxo-1,2-dihydropyridazino[4,5-*b*]quinoline monohydrazinium salt (IV-a).¹⁴ From its filtrate, yellow needles, 2,3-bishydrazinocarbonyl-4-methylquinoline (V-a),¹⁵ were obtained. When V-a (0.88 mmol) was dissolved in H₂O (20 ml) and stirred for 30 min at room

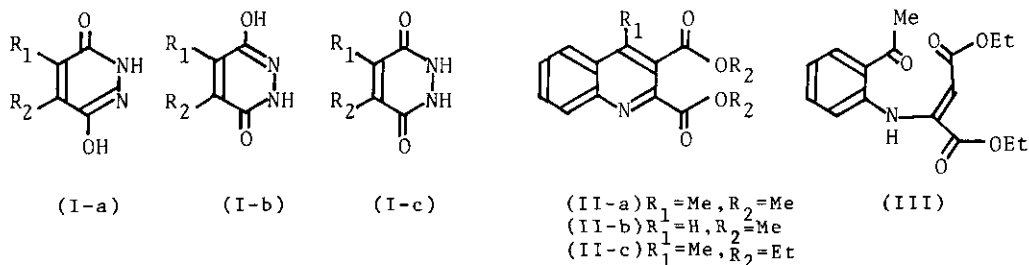
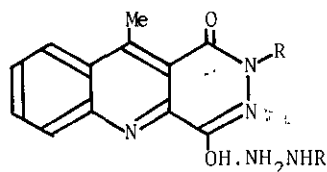


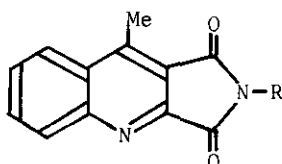
Chart 1

temperature, colorless needles, 2-amino-9-methyl-1,3-dioxo-1,3-dihydropyrrolo[3,4-b]quinoline (VI-a)¹⁶ (86%), were obtained. The reaction in the presence of 30-fold molar and equimolar amount of hydrazine hydrate against III mainly gave IV-a and V-a, respectively. A similar reaction of III (3.3 mmol) with methylhydrazine (33 mmol) also precipitated red needles, 4-hydroxy-2,10-dimethyl-1-oxo-1,2-dihydropyridazino[4,5-b]quinoline monomethylhydrazinium salt (IV-b).¹⁴ From the filtrate, a yellow powder (V-b) ($M^+ = 289$) was obtained. In order to purify the yellow powder, it was submitted



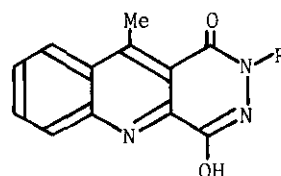
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(IV-b) R=Me
m.p. 210° (discolor)
260-263° (dec)



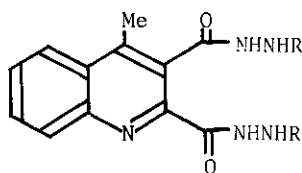
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(VI-b) R=NHMe
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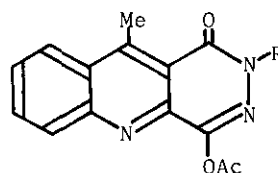
(VII-a) R=H
m.p. 326° (dec)

(VII-b) R=Me
m.p. 239-240°



(V-a) R=H
m.p. 323°

[(V-b) R=Me]



(VIII-a) R=H
m.p. 246-247°

(VIII-b) R=Me
m.p. 196-198°

Chart 2 *

Table I.

Molar ratio		Yield (%)		
(III)	: NH ₂ NH ₂ ·H ₂ O	(IV-a)	(V-a)	(VI-a)
1	1	trace	12	—
1	2	13	53	(47)**
1	30	88	—	—
(III)	: NH ₂ NHMe	(IV-b)	(II-c)	(VI-b)
1	2	trace	94	—
1	10	30	—	27
1	30	94	—	—

* Satisfactory mass spectral and elemental analytical data were obtained for all new compounds.

** overall yield from (III)

to column chromatography to afford colorless needles, 9-methyl-2-methylamino-1,3-dioxo-1,3-dihydro-pyrrolo[3,4-*b*]quinoline (VI-b)¹⁶ ($M^+ = 234$). This indicated that VI-b was formed from V-b during the column chromatography. The reaction in the presence of 30-fold and 2-fold molar amount of methylhydrazine against III predominantly resulted in the formation of IV-b and diethyl 4-methylacridinate (II-c),^{12,13} respectively. In the molar ratio of 1:2, hydrazine hydrate produced IV-a and V-a, but not II-c. This may be due to the H₂O-content in the reaction media, which presumably varies the basicity or nucleophilicity of hydrazines. The above results are summarized in Table I, which suggests that III is converted to II-c, V, VII, and IV in sequence.

Treatment of the salts IV-a and IV-b with AcOH gave (VII-a) (93%) and (VII-b) (95%), respectively. The acetate (VIII-a) was obtained from both IV-a (56%) and VII-a (50%), and the acetate (VIII-b) was likewise obtained from both IV-b (80%) and VII-b (57%).

The compounds VI-a and VI-b were converted to IV-b (50%) and IV-a (30%) in the presence of excess of methylhydrazine and hydrazine hydrate, respectively. In this reaction, the intermediates were assumed to be the compounds V-a and V-b, from the results shown in Table I.

The compounds IV-a, VII-a, and VIII-a are assigned as the 1-oxo-4-hydroxy form, from the finding of Godard¹¹ described above. The compounds IV-b, VII-b, and VIII-b are also assumed to be the 1-oxo-4-hydroxy form, since the UV spectral patterns of these compounds are similar to those of IV-a, VII-a, and VIII-a, respectively. The signal for 10-methyl protons were observed at δ 3.40(VII-a), 3.38(VII-b), 3.39(VIII-a), and 3.37(VIII-b), which were not varied significantly. Therefore, the compounds IV-b, VII-b, and VIII-b may be assigned as the 1-oxo-4-hydroxy form.

In conclusion, we found that pyridazino[4,5-*b*]quinolines were synthesized directly from the enamine adduct III, and 2,3-bishydrazinocarbonyl-4-methylquinolines V-a and V-b were easily converted to pyrrolo[3,4-*b*]quinolines.

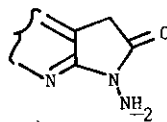
Table II.

Compound	λ_{\max} (EtOH) nm (log ϵ)			
(IV-a)	215.0(4.36)	248.0(4.72)	287.0(3.94)	
(IV-b)	214.0(4.39)	249.0(4.71)	293.0(3.98)	
(VII-a)	216.0(4.28)	248.5(4.71)	282.5(3.93)	
(VII-b)	216.0(4.34)	249.0(4.69)	290.0(3.96)	
(VIII-a)	228.5(4.37)	253.5(4.69)	296.0(3.87)	340.0(3.74) 357.5(3.66)
(VIII-b)	229.5(4.30)	254.0(4.68)	300.0(3.82)	340.0(3.77) 360.0(3.79)

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 14. Further reflux of (IV-a) and (IV-b) in solution of hydrazine hydrate and methylhydrazine in EtOH gave analytically pure samples, respectively.
 15. Compound (V-a): δ (DMSO- d_6) 9.22(2H, br.s, CONHNH₂), 8.47-7.50(4H, m, aromatic), 4.17(4H, br.s, CONHNH₂), 2.65(3H, s, 4-Me), ν (KBr) 3220(NH), 1655 and 1630(C=O).
 16. δ (DMSO- d_6) 8.47-7.73(4H, m, aromatic), 5.15(2H, s, 2-NH₂), 3.03(3H, s, 10-Me), (VI-a); 8.43-7.63(4H, m, aromatic), 5.85(1H, q, J=6 Hz, 3-NHMe), 3.02(3H, s, 10-Me) 2.60(3H, d, J=6 Hz, 3-NHMe) (VI-b). ν (KBr) 1773 and 1700 (C=O) (VI-a), 1770 and 1715 (C=O) (VI-b). λ_{\max} (EtOH) nm(log ϵ) 215.0(4.36), 248.0(4.72), 287.0(3.94) (VI-a), 214.0(4.39), 249.0(4.71), 293.0(3.98) (VI-b).
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δ (DMSO- d_6) 5.25



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