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Synthesis of Piperidine Derivatives with a Quinazoline Ring System as Potential Antihypertensive Agents

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A series of piperidine derivatives with a 2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-quinazoline or 2,4-dioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroquinazoline ring at the 4-position were prepared and tested for antihypertensive activity. Among the compounds tested, 1-[2-hydroxy-2-(3,4-methylenedioxyphenyl)ethyl]-4-(2,4-dioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-quinazolinyl)piperidine (20) and 1-[2-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-hydroxyethyl]-4-(2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-quinazolinylmethyl)piperidine (30) produced relatively strong hypotension in the spontaneously hypertensive rat model.

Keywords—antihypertensive activity; piperidine; quinazoline; indole; oxidative cleavage

In the previous paper,¹⁾ we described the preparation and antihypertensive activity of 1-substituted piperidine derivatives with a quinazolinone nucleus at the 4-position of piperidine (formula I). We were interested in the pharmacological activities and structure—activity relationships of these compounds. In an attempt to prepare compounds exhibiting stronger activity, a number of analogs having other heterocyclic rings in place of the quinazolinone ring were prepared for pharmacological evaluation,²⁾ but these compounds did not exhibit remarkable antihypertensive activity in experimental animals. In this report, we describe a further development of analogs having a quinazolinone ring at the 4-position of piperidine as represented by the formulas Ib, Ic, and Id (Chart 1).

YCH(R')N Z
$$Z = -N$$
H
Ia

-CH2N
H
Ib
IC
Chart 1

We designed compounds of formula Ib having a 2,4-dioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroquinazoline ring (DTQ ring), which includes a ureido group and a benzamido group³⁾ in its structure. The fact that a DTQ ring was involved in the structure of Ketanserin⁴⁾ also prompted us to prepare these compounds. With respect to the influence of the binding position of the quinazoline ring to piperidine on the antihypertensive activity, we reported in the previous

paper that the 3-position was preferred to the 1-position.¹⁾ In the present work, we also attempted to prepare compounds of type Ic in order to assess the influence of the quinazoline ring at the 4-position. We also designed compounds of type Id to investigate the effect of inserting a methylene group between the piperidine ring and the quinazolinone ring.

Chemistry

The 1-benzoylalkylpiperidine derivatives listed in Table I were prepared by the condensation of piperidine intermediates, 2a-e, with the appropriate bromoketone (1) by using triethylamine (TEA) as a base in alcohol or N,N-dimethylformamide (DMF). 1-Benzoylalkylpiperidine derivatives thus obtained were converted into amino alcohol derivatives (Table II) by reduction with sodium borohydride (NaBH₄) (Chart 2).

The intermediates, 2a and 2b, were prepared by reaction of 32a and 32b, respectively, with ethyl chloroformate, followed by cyclization with potassium hydroxide in ethanol and subsequent elimination of the ethoxycarbonyl group with 47% hydrobromic acid (HBr) as outlined in Chart 3. Compound 2c was also obtained by nitration of 34a, followed by elimination of the ethoxycarbonyl group.

Indoles are well known to undergo ring cleavage upon treatment with oxidizing agents such as ozone (O₃), chromium trioxide (CrO₃), etc.⁵⁾ Therefore, this method was chosen for

Chart 3

Compd.	R	R′	Z	Crystn. solvent	mp (°C)	Formula ^{a)}
4 5 6	3,4-(MeO) ₂ 3,4-(MeO) ₂ 3,4-(OCH ₂ O)	H Me H	O N N	DMF-EtOH EtOH DMF-EtOH	212—214 186—187 214—217	$C_{23}H_{25}N_3O_5 \cdot 0.5H_2O$ $C_{24}H_{27}N_3O_5$ $C_{22}H_{21}N_3O_5$
7 8 9	3,4-(MeO) ₂ 3,4-(OCH ₂ O) H	Н Н Н	O N CI	DMF-EtOH DMF-MeOH MeOH	219—223 228—229 Crude crystals ^{b)}	$C_{23}H_{24}CIN_3O_5 \cdot 0.5H_2O$ $C_{23}H_{20}CIN_3O_5$
10 11	3,4-diMeO 3,4-(OCH ₂ O)	Н Н -	O N N H	DMF-MeOH DMF-MeOH	235—238 241—243	$C_{23}H_{24}N_4O_7$ $C_{22}H_{20}N_4O_7$
12 13	3,4-(MeO) ₂ H	H H	HN H	DMF-EtOH DMF-EtOH	182—184 221—226	$C_{23}H_{27}N_3O_4 \\ C_{21}H_{23}N_3O_2 \cdot 0.25H_2O$
14 15 16 17	3,4-(MeO) ₂ 3,4-(MeO) ₂ H 4-Cl	H Me - H H	CH ₂ N O N	CHCl ₃ -AcOEt EtOH MeOH MeOH	171—174 169—173 178—179 142—145	$\begin{array}{l} C_{24}H_{29}N_3O_4 \cdot 0.25H_2O \\ C_{25}H_{31}N_3O_4 \\ C_{22}H_{25}N_3O_2 \\ C_{22}H_{24}CIN_3O_2 \end{array}$

a) All compounds were analyzed for C, H, and N, and analytical values were within $\pm 0.3\%$ of the calculated values for these formulas. b) This compound was converted to 23 by reduction with NaBH₄ without any attempt to recrystallize it. The structure was determined by considering the structure of 23.

the preparation of 41, which was a key intermediate for the synthesis of 2d (Chart 4). First, attempts to convert 39a, which was prepared according to Dobeneck and Goltzsche, 6) to 40a by treatment with O₃ in acetic acid (AcOH) were made, but a complex mixture was obtained. Therefore, 39b, which was also prepared in 25.4% yield via 38b from 2-methylindole (35b), pyridine (36), and benzoyl chloride (37) by the same procedure as used for 39a, was chosen as a starting material for the cleavage reaction. Treatment of 39b with CrO₃ in AcOH at room temperature afforded 40b in poor yield. Finally, 40b was obtained by treatment of 39b with O₃ in AcOH at room temperature in 79% yield. Subsequently, 40b was converted into 41 by selective elimination of the acetyl group with 6 n hydrochloric acid—methanol (1:2, v/v) under reflux for 1 h in 68.4% yield. Cyclization of 41 with ethyl carbamate at 180 °C in the presence of a catalytic amount of zinc chloride (ZnCl₂) followed by reduction of the resulting compound (42) with NaBH₄ afforded 43, which could be converted into the desired compound (2d) by further hydrolysis [4 n sulfuric acid (H₂SO₄)-methanol, 1:2, v/v].

An intermediate (2e) was prepared as outlined in Chart 5. A Schiff base (46), prepared from o-nitrobenzaldehyde (44) and 4-aminomethylpiperidine (45), was benzylated with benzyl bromide and reduced with NaBH₄. The catalytic hydrogenation of the resulting nitrobenzylamine (48) followed by cyclization with N,N'-carbonyldiimidazole (CDI) and elimination of the benzyl group by catalytic hydrogenation afforded 2e.

Antihypertensive Activity

Methods—Blood pressure was measured in unanesthetized spontaneously hypertensive

Compd.	R	R'	Z	Crystn. solvent	mp (°C)	Formula ^{a)}
18 19 20	3,4-(MeO) ₂ 3,4-(MeO) ₂ 3,4-(OCH ₂ O)	H Me H	ON N	EtOH CHCl ₃ –EtOH ^{b)} DMF–EtOH	202—203 251—253 227—228	$C_{23}H_{27}N_3O_5$ $C_{24}H_{29}N_3O_5$ $C_{22}H_{23}N_3O_5 \cdot 0.25H_2O$
21 22 23	3,4-(MeO) ₂ 3,4-(OCH ₂ O) H	H H H	O N Cl	DMF-EtOH DMF-EtOH EtOH	228—229 237—238 266—270	$C_{23}H_{26}CIN_3O_5$ $C_{22}H_{22}CIN_3O_5$ $C_{21}H_{22}CIN_3O_3$
24 25	3,4-(MeO) ₂ H	H H	HN HN	DMF-EtOH DMF-MeOH	234—236 213—217	$C_{23}H_{29}N_3O_4\\C_{21}H_{25}N_3O_2\cdot 0.5H_2O$
26 27 28 29 30	3,4-(MeO) ₂ 3,4-(MeO) ₂ 3,4-(MeO) ₂ H 4-Cl	H Me Me H H	-CH ₂ N ON H	EtOH EtOH ^{b)} EtOH ^{c)} DMF-MeOH DMF-MeOH	172—173 200—202 173—175 209—211 210—212	$C_{24}H_{31}N_3O_4$ $C_{25}H_{33}N_3O_4$ $C_{25}H_{33}N_3O_4$ $C_{22}H_{27}N_3O_2$ $C_{22}H_{26}CIN_3O_2$

a) All compounds were analyzed for C, H, and N, and analytical values were within $\pm 0.3\%$ of the calculated values for these formulas. b) three form. c) erythre form.

III Changes in Blood Pressure of Linanes

TABLE III. Changes in Blood Pressure of Unanesthetized SHR
Treated with Test Compounds

Chart 5

Compd. ^{a)} No.	Initial level ^{b)} (mmHg)	Minimum subsequent level ^{b)} (mmHg)	Maximum change (1 mmHg)	Time ^{c)} (h)
4	217.5 ± 6.5	202.5 ± 8.1	-15.0	1.5
5	206.3 ± 6.5 (4)	4) 180.0 ± 5.0	-26.3	1.5
6	210.0 ± 6.1	190.0 ± 6.4	-20.0	1.5
7	220.0 ± 8.6	176.2 ± 9.0	-43.8	5.0
8	205.0 ± 12.9	167.5 ± 17.7	-37.5	3.0
10	206.0 ± 8.3	180.0 ± 10.6	-26.2	3.0
11	218.7 ± 4.7	$\frac{-}{192.5 \pm 11.4}$	-26.2	5.0
16	185.0 ± 7.7	158.7± 5.4	-26.3	5.0
17	180.0 ± 4.7	165.0 + 6.2	-15.0	5.0
18	198.3 ± 4.9	173.3 ± 1.4	-25.0	5.5
19	198.7 ± 8.5 (-36.2	3.5
20	205.0 + 2.5	145.0± 5.6	-60.0	3.0
21	202.5 + 9.4	173.7 ± 8.7	-28.8	1.5
22	210.0 ± 16.3	173.3 ± 11.6	-36.7	5.0
23	173.3 ± 9.8	165.0 ± 4.7	-8.3	4.0
24	202.5 ± 8.9	167.5 ± 9.7	-35.0	5.0
25	181.7 ± 8.1	175.0± 5.8	-6.7	1.5
26	212 ± 4.4	190 ± 7.6	-22	1.5
27	180.0 ± 5.0	166.7 ± 12.0		1.5
29	187.5 ± 6.2	158.7 ± 7.8	-28.8	3.0
30	208.7 ± 10.3	145.0 ± 5.8	-63.7	3.0

a) Each compound (30 mg/kg) was administered orally. b) Each value represents the mean \pm standard error of triplicate experiments except where otherwise noted in parentheses. c) The time until the maximum change after dosing was recorded.

rats (SHR). The SHR utilized were male Okamoto strain rats whose systolic pressure was higher than 180 mmHg at the 18th week after birth. Systolic blood pressure was measured with a plethysmograph after preheating of the tail at 37 °C for 15 min.⁷⁾ Test compounds were suspended in 0.3% (w/v) carboxymethyl-cellulose aqueous solution at a concentration of 3 mg/ml, and orally administered to the rats at a dose of 1 ml/100 g body weight.

Results and Discussion

As shown in Table III, the only compounds that produced relatively strong hypotension

in unanesthetized SHR were 20 and 30. The effect of the DTQ ring (Ib) on the hypotensive activity was disappointing except for compound 20 with the 3,4-methylenedioxy group in the phenyl ring, which exhibited more potent hypotensive activity than the corresponding 3-quinazolinone derivative described in the previous report. As regards the effect of insertion of the methylene bridge between the quinazolinone ring and the piperidine ring (26, 27, 29 and 30), the activities were reduced except for 30, as compared with the corresponding quinazolinone derivatives described in the previous report. As regards the influence of the binding position of the quinazolinone ring to piperidine on the antihypertensive activity, it is difficult to draw conclusions from only a limited number of experiments. However, it appears that the 4-position is not preferred to the 3-position.

Experimental

All melting points were determined on a micro melting point apparatus (Yanagimoto) and are uncorrected. Infrared (IR) spectra were measured on a Shimadzu IR-27G spectrophotometer. Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (¹H-NMR) spectra were measured on a Varian T-60 spectrometer using tetramethylsilane as an internal standard.

1-(3,4-Dimethoxybenzoylmethyl)-4-(2,4-dioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-quinazolinyl)piperidine (4)—A mixture of α -bromo-3,4-dimethoxyacetophenone⁸⁾ (2.59 g, 10 mmol), $2a \cdot HBr$ (3.26 g, 10 mmol), and TEA (2.8 ml, 20 mmol) in MeOH (100 ml) was stirred overnight at room temperature. White crystals that precipitated were collected by filtration, washed successively with MeOH and H₂O, and dried to give crude crystals (3.77 g, 80.6%). This product (1.6 g) was recrystallized twice from DMF-EtOH to afford an analytical sample (749 mg), mp 212—214 °C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{23}H_{25}N_3O_5 \cdot 0.5H_2O$: C, 63.88; H, 6.06; N, 9.72. Found: C, 63.95; H, 5.95; N, 9.92. IR (KBr): 1645, 1670, 1703 cm⁻¹. ¹H-NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ : 1.2—3.4 (8H, m, piperidine H), 3.61 (2H, s, -CH₂COAr), 3.70 (6H, s, $2 \times -OCH_3$), 4.2—4.8 (1H, m, >CHN), 6.6—7.7 (7H, m, aromatic H).

Substituted 1-Benzoylmethyl-4-(2,4-dioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-quinazolinyl)piperidines (5—11)—These compounds were prepared from 1a, 1b, or 1c in the same manner as described for 4, except for the use of the appropriately substituted α -bromoacetophenones.

1-(3,4-Dimethoxybenzoylmethyl)-4-(2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-4-quinazolinyl)piperidine (12)—A mixture of α -bromo-3,4-dimethoxyacetophenone (258.9 mg, 1 mmol), 2d (231 mg, 1 mmol), and TEA (0.14 ml, 1 mmol) in MeOH (5 ml) was stirred at room temperature overnight. Crystals that precipitated were collected by filtration, washed successively with MeOH (10 ml) and H₂O (50 ml), and dried to give a crude product (360 mg, 88.0%), which was recrystallized from CHCl₃ to yield a pure sample (272 mg, 66.5%) of 12 as crystals, mp 182—184 °C. Anal. Calcd for C₂₃H₂₇N₃O₄: C, 67.46; H, 6.65; N, 10.26. Found: C, 67.26; H, 6.83; N, 10.00. IR (KBr): 1690, 1675 cm⁻¹ (shoulder). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.4—3.1 (9H, m, piperidine H), 3.71 (2H, s, -CH₂COAr), 3.90 and 3.93 (6H, each s, $2 \times$ -OCH₃), 4.29 (1H, m, >CHNHCO-), 5.66 (1H, br s, NH), 6.70—7.73 (7H, m, aromatic H), 7.87 (1H, br s, NH).

1-Benzoylmethyl-4-(2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-4-quinazolinyl)piperidine (13) — This compound was prepared in the same manner as described for 12 except for the use of α-bromoacetophenone. Yield, 70.7% as crystals, mp 221—226 °C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{21}H_{23}N_3O_2 \cdot 0.25H_2O$: C, 71.26; H, 6.69; N, 11.87. Found: C, 71.24; H, 6.84; N, 11.78. IR (KBr): 1685 cm⁻¹. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃+CD₃OD) δ: 1.2—3.2 (9H, m, piperidine H), 3.80 (2H, s, -CH₂COAr), 4.27 (1H, m, >CHNHCO-), 6.76—8.01 (9H, m, aromatic H).

1-[1-(3,4-Dimethoxybenzoyl)ethyl]-4-(2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-quinazolinylmethyl)piperidine (15)—Similar reaction of α-bromo-3,4-dimethoxypropiophenone⁹⁾ (2.73 g, 10 mmol) and 2e·HCl (2.82 g, 10 mmol) gave crude crystals (3.3 g, 75.5%). Recrystallization of this material (1 g) from CHCl₃-MeOH afforded pure crystals (860 mg) of 15. mp 169—173 °C. *Anal.* Calcd for $C_{25}H_{31}N_3O_4$: C, 68.63; H, 7.14; N, 9.61. Found: C, 68.61; H, 7.21; N, 9.44. IR (KBr): 1675, 1660 cm⁻¹. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 1.25 (3H, d, J = 6.5 Hz, >CHC \underline{H}_3), 3.30 (2H, d, J = 6 Hz, C \underline{H}_2 N), 3.90 and 3.93 (6H, each s, 2×-OC \underline{H}_3), 4.40 (2H, s, -CONC \underline{H}_2 Ar), 8.03 (1H, br s, N \underline{H}).

Substituted 1-Benzoylmethyl-4-(2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-quinazolinylmethyl)piperidine (14, 16 and 17)—
These compounds were prepared in the same manner as described for 15, except for the use of the appropriately substituted α -bromoacetophenones.

1-[2-(3,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)-2-hydroxyethyl]-4-(2,4-dioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-quinazolinyl)piperidine (18)—A suspension of 4 (2.00 g, 4.28 mmol) in isopropanol (150 mmol) was, after addition of NaBH₄ (1.0 g, 26.4 mmol), refluxed for 2 h and then concentrated to give the residue. This was taken up in H₂O (50 ml), and the mixture was allowed to stand at room temperature for 1 h to give crude crystals (1.66 g, 82.7%). Recrystalization from EtOH yielded pure crystals (1.42 g, 70.8%) of 18, mp 202—203 °C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{23}H_{27}N_3O_5$: C, 64.92; H, 6.40; N, 9.88. Found: C, 64.67; H, 6.30; N, 9.81. IR (KBr): 1655, 1720 cm⁻¹. ¹H-NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ : 1.2—3.3 [10H, m, NCH₂CH(OH), piperidine H], 3.60 and 3.63 (6H, each s, $2 \times -OCH_3$), 4.2—4.9 [3H, m, -CH(OH)-, >CHN-], 6.45—7.7 (7H, m, aromatic H), 10.73 (1H, br s, NH).

threo-1-[1-(3,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)-1-hydroxy-2-propyl]-4-(2,4-dioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-quinazolinyl)piperidine (19)—A solution of 5 (3.00 g, 6.86 mmol) in MeOH (150 ml) was, after addition of NaBH₄ (2 g, 52.8 mmol), stirred at room temperature overnight. White crystals that precipitated were filtered off, washed successively with MeOH and H₂O, and dried to give white crystals (2.02 g, 67.1%), which were recrystallized from CHCl₃-EtOH to yield pure crystals (1.15 g, 38.2%) of 19, mp 251—253 °C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{24}H_{29}N_3O_5$: C, 65.58; H, 6.65; N, 9.56. Found: C, 65.46; H, 6.66; N, 9.51. IR (KBr): 1710, 1655 cm⁻¹. ¹H-NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ : 0.68 (3H, d, J=6 Hz, >CHCH₃), 1.3—3.3 (9H, m, piperidine H, >CHCH₃), 3.62 and 3.65 (6H, each s, 2×-OCH₃), 4.05 [1H, d, J=8 Hz, -CH(OH)-], 4.3—4.9 (2H, m, >CHN, OH), 6.4—7.7 (7H, m, aromatic H), 10.7 (1H, br s, NH).

Substituted 1-(2-Hydroxy-2-phenylethyl)-4-(2,4-dioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-quinazolinyl)piperidine (20—23)——These compounds were prepared in the same manner as described for 18 from the corresponding aminoketones.

1-[2-(3,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)-2-hydroxyethyl]-4-(2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-4-quinazolinyl)piperidine (24)—A suspension of 12 (600 mg, 1.47 mmol) in EtOH (40 ml) was, after addition of NaBH₄ (300 mg, 7.93 mmol), stirred at room temperature for 2 d. White crystals that precipitated were filtered off, washed successively with MeOH and H₂O, and dried to give a crude product (546 mg, 90.4%), which was recrystallized from DMF-EtOH to yield pure crystals (477 mg, 79.0%) of 24, mp 234—236 °C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{23}H_{29}N_3O_4$: C, 67.13; H, 7.10; N, 10.21. Found: C, 66.94; H, 7.11; N, 10.13. IR (KBr): $1675 \, \text{cm}^{-1}$. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (CDCl₃-CD₃OD) δ : 1.06—3.29 [11H, m, piperidine $\underline{\text{H}}$, CH(OH)CH₂], 3.86 and 3.88 (6H, each s, $2 \times -\text{OCH}_3$), 4.30 (1H, m, >CHNHCO-), 4.55—4.77 (1H, m, -CH(OH)CH₂-), 6.76—7.29 (7H, m, aromatic $\underline{\text{H}}$).

1-(2-Hydroxy-2-phenylethyl)-4-(2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-4-quinazolinyl)piperidine (25)——This compound was prepared from 13 in the same manner as described for 24. Yield, 93.5% as crystals, mp 213—217 °C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{21}H_{25}N_3O_2\cdot 0.5H_2O$; C, 69.98; H, 7.27; N, 11.66. Found: C, 70.17; H, 7.04; N, 11.66. IR (KBr): 1685 cm⁻¹. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 1.2—3.3 [12H, m, piperidine H, CH(OH)CH₂], 4.31 (1H, m, >CHNHCO-), 4.57—4.79 [1H, m, CH(OH)], 6.03 (1H, br s, NH), 6.68—7.42 (9H, m, aromatic H), 8.36 (1H, br s, NH).

threo-1-[1-(3,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)-1-hydroxy-2-propyl]-4-(2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-quinazolinylmethyl)piperidine (27) and erythro-Isomer (28) — NaBH₄ (1.7 g, 45 mmol) was added to a suspension of 15 (1.97 g, 4.5 mmol) in EtOH (50 ml). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 d. Crystals that precipitated were collected by filtration and recrystallized from EtOH to give 27 (1.12 g). The filtrate of the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo, then mixed with H_2O to give a precipitate (363 mg), which was combined with the crystalline residue (100 mg) obtained by concentration of the mother liquor of recrystallization. This product was chromatographed on silica gel. Elution with $CHCl_3$ -MeOH (20:1) gave 27 (177 mg) and subsequently 28 (179 mg, 9.0%). Recrystallization of 28 from EtOH gave an analytical sample.

Compound 27: mp 200—202 °C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{25}H_{33}N_3O_4$: C, 68.31; H, 7.57; N, 9.56. Found: C, 68.12; H, 7.68; N, 9.51. IR (KBr): $1655 \,\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$. 1H -NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 0.75 (3H, d, J=7Hz, >CHCH₃), 3.36 (2H, d, J=6Hz, CHCH₂-), 3.85 and 3.88 (6H, each s, $2 \times$ -OCH₃), 4.19 [1H, d, J=10Hz, -CH(OH)-], 4.46 (2H, s, ArCH₂N), 6.63—7.33 (7H, m, aromatic H), 8.31 (1H, br s, NH).

Compound 28: mp 173—175 °C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{25}H_{33}N_3O_4$: C, 68.31; H, 7.57; N, 9.56. Found: C, 68.15; H, 7.60; N, 9.53. IR (KBr): $1670 \,\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (CDCl₃) δ : 0.83 (3H, d, $J=7\,\text{Hz}$, >CHCH₃), 3.31 (2H, d, $J=6\,\text{Hz}$, >CHCH₂-), 3.83 (6H, s, $2\times -OCH_3$), 4.40 (2H, s, ArCH₂N<), 4.73 [1H, d, $J=4\,\text{Hz}$, -CH(OH)-], 6.56—7.3 (7H, m, aromatic H), 8.1 (1H, br s, NH).

1-Benzyl-4-(2-aminobenzoylamino)piperidine (32a) — A mixture of isatoic anhydride¹⁰ (48.9 g, 0.30 mol), 1-benzyl-4-aminopiperidine · 2HCl¹¹ (78.6 g, 0.30 mol), and TEA (84 ml, 0.60 mol) in dioxane (600 ml) was refluxed with stirring for 2 h. The crystalline residue obtained by evaporation of the solvent was triturated with H₂O, filtered, and dried to give crude crystals (68.8 g, 74.4%) of 32a. Recrystallization from MeOH gave an analytical sample, mp 167—168 °C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{19}H_{23}N_3O$: C, 73.75; H, 7.49; N, 13.58. Found: C, 73.43; H, 7.58; N, 13.43. IR (KBr): 1622 cm⁻¹. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.1—3.1 (8H, m, piperidine H), 3.48 (2H, s, ArCH₂N), 3.63—4.21 (1H, m, >CHN), 5.43 (2H, br s, NH₂), 5.98 (1H, d, J=7.2 Hz, -CONH-), 6.41—6.80 (2H, m, aromatic H), 7.26 (5H, s, $C_6H_5CH_2$), 7.00—7.46 (2H, m, aromatic H).

1-Benzyl-4-(2-amino-5-chlorobenzoylamino)piperidine (32b)—Similar reaction of 5-chloroisatoic anhydride¹⁰ (19.75 g, 0.10 mol) and 1-benzyl-4-aminopiperidine · 2HCl (26.21 g, 0.10 mol) gave crude crystals (16.3 g, 47.5%) of 32b. Recrystallization from MeOH gave an analytical sample, mp 182—185 °C. Anal. Calcd for C₁₉H₂₂ClN₃O: C, 66.37; H, 6.45; N, 12.22. Found: C, 66.24; H, 6.50; N, 12.11. IR (KBr): 1620 cm⁻¹. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 1.1—3.1 (8H, m, piperidine \underline{H}), 3.49 (2H, s, ArC \underline{H} ₂N), 3.62—4.28 (1H, m, >C \underline{H} N), 5.43 (2H, br s, N \underline{H} ₂), 5.98 (1H, d, J = 7.0 Hz, -CON \underline{H} -), 6.53 (1H, d, J = 8.2 Hz, aromatic \underline{H}), 7.28 (5H, s, C₆ \underline{H} ₅CH₂), 6.98—7.52 (2H, m, aromatic \underline{H}).

1-Ethoxycarbonyl-4-(2-ethoxycarbonylaminobenzoylamino)piperidine (33a)—A mixture of 32a (20 g, 64.9 mmol) and ethyl chloroformate (200 ml) was refluxed at 93 °C with stirring for 3 h, then concentrated, and mixed with *n*-hexane. The precipitate crystals were collected by filtration, washed with *n*-hexane and dried to give a crude product (22.9 g, 97.1%) of 33a. Recrystallization from MeOH afforded an analytical sample, mp 161—162 °C. *Anal.* Calcd for C₁₈H₂₅N₃O₅: C, 59.49; H, 6.93; N, 11.56. Found: C, 59.25; H, 7.01; N, 11.29.

1-Ethoxycarbonyl-4-(2-ethoxycarbonylamino-5-chlorobenzoylamino)piperidine (33b)—Reaction of 32b (16g, 46.6 mmol) and ethyl chloroformate (50 ml) as described for 33a gave crude crystals (17.2 g, 88.7%) of 33b.

1-Ethoxycarbonyl-4-(2,4-dioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-quinazolinyl)piperidine (34a) — A solution of 33a (20.7 g, 57.0 mmol) and KOH (9.3 g, 16.6 mmol) in EtOH (140 ml) was refluxed for 3 h and allowed to stand at room temperature overnight. The precipitated white crystals were filtered off, washed successively with EtOH and H_2O , and dried to give a crude product (10.0 g, 55.3%), which was recrystallized from EtOH to afford crystals (8.3 g, 45.9%) of 34a. mp 243—244 °C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{16}H_{19}N_3O_4$: C, 60.56; H, 6.03; N, 13.24. Found: C, 60.37; H, 6.04; N, 13.19. IR (KBr): 1720, 1692, 1655 cm⁻¹. ¹H-NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ : 1.23 (3H, t, J=7 Hz, $-OCH_2CH_3$), 1.4—3.2 (6H, m, piperidine H_1), 3.8—4.4 (4H, m, $-OCH_2CH_3$, piperidine H_1), 4.63—5.30 (1H, m, $>CH_1N_1$), 6.93—8.03 (4H, m, aromatic H_1), 11.40 (1H, br s, NH_1).

1-Ethoxycarbonyl-4-(6-chloro-2,4-dioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-quinazolinyl)piperidine (34b) — A solution of 33b (15.4 g, 38.7 mmol) in EtOH (120 ml) was treated with KOH (7.6 g, 135 mmol) as described for 34a to give crude crystals (11.2 g, 82.3%), which were recrystallized from EtOH to afford pure crystals (10.4 g, 76.4%) of 34b. mp 246—248 °C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{16}H_{18}ClN_3O_4$: C, 54.63; H, 5.16; N, 11.94. Found: C, 54.69; H, 5.31; N, 11.74. IR (KBr): 1725, 1660 cm⁻¹. ¹H-NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ: 1.23 (3H, t, J=7 Hz, $-OCH_2CH_3$), 1.4—3.2 (6H, m, piperidine H), 3.8—4.4 (4H, m, $-OCH_2CH_3$, piperidine H), 4.63—5.30 (1H, m,>CHN), 11.46 (1H, br s, NH).

4-(2,4-Dioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-quinazolinyl)piperidine (2a) — A suspension of 34a (6.5 g, 20.5 mmol) in 47% aq. HBr (170 ml) was refluxed with stirring for 8 h, then concentrated to 25 ml and allowed to stand at room temperature for 1 h. The precipitated white crystals were filtered off, washed successively with H₂O, MeOH and ether, and dried to give crude crystals (5.8 g, 86.4%) as the HBr salt, which was recrystallized from H₂O-EtOH to give crystals (4.6 g, 68.9%) of 2a, mp > 300 °C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{13}H_{15}N_3O_2$ ·HBr: C, 47.87; H, 4.94; N, 12.88. Found: C, 47.66; H, 5.04; N, 12.64. IR (KBr): 1700, 1650 cm⁻¹. ¹H-NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ : 1.6—3.7 (8H, m, piperidine H), 4.8—5.4 (1H, m, >CHN), 7.0—8.1 (4H, m, aromatic H), 9.0 (2H, br s, NH·HBr), 11.6 (1H, br s, CONH).

4-(6-Chloro-2,4-dioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-quinazolinyl)piperidine (2b)—Reaction of 34b (10 g, 28.4 mmol) in EtOH (50 ml) and 47% aq. HBr (150 ml) as described for 2a gave crude crystals (9.3 g, 90.9%) of 2b·HBr. This product was recrystallized from H₂O-EtOH to give pure crystals (7.2 g, 70.4%), mp > 300 °C. *Anal.* Calcd for $C_{13}H_{14}ClN_3O_2 \cdot HBr$: C, 43.30; H, 4.19; N, 11.65. Found: C, 43.10; H, 4.07; N, 11.63. IR (KBr): 1700, 1650 cm⁻¹. ¹H-NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ : 1.6—3.7 (8H, m, piperidine H), 4.8—5.4 (1H, m, >CHN), 7.4—8.0 (3H, m, aromatic H), 9.0 (2H, br s, NH·HBr), 11.7 (1H, br s, CONH).

1-Ethoxycarbonyl-4-(2,4-dioxo-6-nitro-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-quinazolinyl)piperidine (34c)—A solution of 34a (28.5 g, 90 mmol) in conc. H_2SO_4 (180 ml) was stirred, after addition of fuming nitric acid (d=1.50) (3.45 ml), at room temperature for 5.5 h, then poured into ice water (1.2 l). The pale yellow crystals that precipitated were collected by filtration to give crude crystals (30.6 g, 93.9%) of 34c. This product was recrystallized from EtOH to obtain pure crystals (20.2 g, 62.0%), mp 162—165 °C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{16}H_{18}N_4O_6$: C, 53.04; H, 5.01; N, 15.46. Found: C, 53.02; H, 4.99; N, 15.29. IR (KBr): 1725, 1665 cm⁻¹. ¹H-NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ : 1.22 (3H, t, J=7 Hz, $-OCH_2CH_3$), 1.4—3.2 (6H, m, piperidine H_1), 3.8—4.4 (4H, m, $-OCH_2CH_3$, piperidine H_2), 4.60—5.30 (1H, m, $-CH_3$), 7.26 (1H, d, $-CH_3$), aromatic $-CH_3$ 0, 8.36 (1H, d, $-CH_3$ 1, aromatic $-CH_3$ 2, aromatic $-CH_3$ 3, 11.44, $-CH_3$ 4, aromatic $-CH_3$ 5, 8.36 (1H, d, $-CH_3$ 6, 8.57), 8.57 (1H, d, $-CH_3$ 7), 8.58 (1H, d, $-CH_3$ 7), 8.59 (1H, d, $-CH_3$ 8), 8.

4-(2,4-Dioxo-6-nitro-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-quinazolinyl)piperidine (2c)Reaction of **34c** (6 g, 16.6 mmol) in 47% aq. HBr (180 ml) as described for **2a** gave crude crystals (5.44 g, 88.6%) of **2c** as the HBr salt, which was recrystallized from H₂O-EtOH to afford pure crystals (4.8 g, 78.2%). mp > 300 °C. *Anal*. Calcd for C₁₃H₁₄N₄O₄ · HBr: C, 42.07; H, 4.07; N, 15.09. Found: C, 42.06; H, 3.98; N, 14.99. IR (KBr): 1720, 1665 cm⁻¹. ¹H-NMR (DMSO- d_6 + CD₃OD) δ: 1.6—3.5 (8H, m, piperidine H), 4.8—5.4 (1H, m, >CHN), 7.33 (1H, d, J = 9 Hz, aromatic H), 8.43 (1H, dd, J = 9, 3 Hz, aromatic H), 8.60 (1H, d, J = 3 Hz, aromatic H).

1-Benzoyl-4-(2-methylindol-3-yl)-1,4-dihydropyridine (38b) — Benzoyl chloride (56.2 g, 400 mmol) was added to 2-methylindole (52.4 g, 400 mmol) in pyridine (800 ml) and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 7 d. The solution was adjusted to pH 5 with conc. HCl after addition of ice and extracted with AcOEt. The residue, after removal of the solvent *in vacuo*, was crystallized from ether to afford 38b (34.1 g, 27.2%). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 2.33 (3H, s, -CH₃), 4.36—4.60 (1H, m, >CH-), 4.80—5.20 [2H, m, (=CH)₂CH-], 6.70—7.73 (11H, m, aromatic H), 7.95 (1H, br s, NH).

1-Benzoyl-4-(2-methylindol-3-yl)piperidine (39b) — A mixture of 38b (32 g, 102 mmol) and PtO₂ (2 g) in EtOH (2 l) was stirred at room temperature under a hydrogen atmosphere for 42 h. The catalyst was filtered off and washed with CHCl₃ (1 l). The solvent was removed *in vacuo* and the residue was crystallized from EtOH to give 39b (30.3 g, 93.5%). Recrystallization from DMF-EtOH afforded an analytical sample: mp 263—265 °C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{21}H_{22}N_2O$: C, 79.21; H, 6.96; N, 8.80. Found: C, 79.09; H, 6.98; N, 8.79. IR (KBr): 1608 cm⁻¹. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 2.36 (3H, s, -CH₃), 6.93—7.66 (9H, m, aromatic H), 7.93 (1H, br s, NH).

1-Benzoyl-4-(2-acetylaminobenzoyl)piperidine (40b) — Method A: Ozone was passed through a stirred solution of 39b (10 g, 31.5 mmol) in AcOH (100 ml) for 2 h at room temperature and then the solution was poured into icewater (1 l). The pale yellow crystals that precipitated were collected by filtration, washed with H_2O , and dried to afford a crude product (8.68 g, 79.0%). Recrystallization from AcOEt-petroleum ether gave an analytical sample, mp 143—145 °C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{21}H_{22}N_2O_3$: C, 71.78; H, 6.33; N, 7.99. Found: C, 71.77; H, 6.37; N, 7.93. IR (KBr): 1618, 1638, 1698 cm⁻¹. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.53—2.13 (4H, m, piperidine H), 2.22 (3H, s, COCH₃), 2.66—4.97 (5H, m, piperidine H), 6.93—8.00 (8H, m, aromatic H), 8.73 (1H, dd, J=8, 2 Hz, aromatic H), 11.56 (1H, br s, NH).

Method B: A solution of CrO_3 (200 mg, 2.0 mmol) in H_2O (0.4 ml) was added dropwise to a solution of 39b (367.7 mg, 1.16 mmol) in AcOH (4 ml) at room temperature over 30 minutes. The mixture was stirred for an additional 1 h, then poured into H_2O and extracted with AcOEt. The extract was washed successively with sat. aq. NaHCO₃ and H_2O , dried, and concentrated in vacuo to give an oily residue, which was chromatographed on silica gel. Elution with AcOEt-hexane (7:3, v/v) afforded 40b (58 mg, 14.3%).

1-Benzoyl-4-(2-aminobenzoyl)piperidine (41)—A solution of 40b (20 g, 57.3 mmol) in MeOH (200 ml) and 6 N HCl (100 ml) was refluxed for 1 h. The MeOH was evaporated off, and the residual solution was adjusted to pH 7 with NaHCO₃, then extracted with AcOEt. The extract was washed with brine, and concentrated. The crystalline residue was mixed with MeOH and collected by filtration to give a crude product (12.0 g, 68.4%), which was recrystallized from EtOH to yield 41 (9.79 g, 55.7%), mp 148—149 °C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{19}H_{20}N_2O_2$: C, 74.00; H, 6.54; N, 9.08. Found: C, 73.98; H, 6.65; N, 9.01. IR (KBr): 1640, 1624 cm⁻¹. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.53—2.06 (4H, m, piperidine H), 2.76—3.76 (3H, m, piperidine H), 3.90—4.80 (2H, m, piperidine H), 6.10—6.80 (4H, m, aromatic H, NH₂), 7.06—7.86 (7H, m, aromatic H).

1-Benzoyl-4-[2-(1H)-quinazolinon-4-yl]piperidine (42)—A mixture of 41 (7 g, 22.7 mmol), ethyl carbamate (31.5 g, 35.4 mmol), and ZnCl₂ (0.6 g, 4.4 mmol) was stirred at 180 °C for 1 h under a nitrogen atmosphere, then allowed to cool to room temperature, and treated with H_2O . Crude crystals thus obtained were collected by filtration, washed with H_2O , and dissolved in CHCl₃. The solution was filtered. Evaporation of the solvent gave a crystalline residue (6.78 g, 89.7%), which was recrystallized from EtOH to afford 42 (4.37 g, 57.8%). mp > 300 °C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{20}H_{19}N_3O_2$: C, 72.05; H, 5.74; N, 12.60. Found: C, 72.00; H, 5.63; N, 12.52. IR (KBr): 1660, 1630, 1620 cm⁻¹. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.76—2.20 (4H, m, piperidine H), 2.73—3.86 (3H, m, piperidine H), 4.03—4.93 (2H, m, piperidine H), 7.13—8.06 (9H, m, aromatic H), 13.50 (1H, br s, NH).

1-Benzoyl-4-(2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-4-quinazolinyl)piperidine (43)—A solution of 42 (1 g, 3.0 mmol) in isopropanol (15 ml), after addition of NaBH₄ (0.5 g, 13.2 mmol), was refluxed for 3 h, then concentrated. The residue was mixed with H₂O. Crude crystals that precipitated were collected by filtration, washed with H₂O, and dissolved in CHCl₃. The residue obtained by evaporation of the solvent was crystallized from MeOH to give a crude product (813 mg, 81.0%), which was recrystallized from EtOH to afford 43 (534 mg, 53.1%), mp 233—234 °C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{20}H_{21}N_3O_2$: C, 71.62; H, 6.31; N, 12.53. Found: C, 71.47; H, 6.38; N, 12.46. IR (KBr): 1690, 1630 cm⁻¹. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.0—2.0 (5H, m, piperidine H), 2.4—3.1 (2H, m, piperidine H), 3.5—4.0 (1H, m, piperidine H), 4.32 (1H, m, >CHNH-), 4.4—5.0 (1H, m, piperidine H), 6.40 (1H, br s, NH).

4-(2-Oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-4-quinazolinyl)piperidine (2d) —A solution of 43 (5 g, 14.9 mmol) in MeOH (50 ml) and 4 n H_2SO_4 (100 ml) was refluxed for 3 d, and then, after evaporation of the MeOH, extracted with CHCl₃. The water layer was basified with aq. NaOH and extracted with CHCl₃. The extract was concentrated in vacuo and crystallized from MeOH to give a crude product (1.6 g, 46.2%), which was recrystallized from EtOH to yield 2d (0.7 g, 20.3%), mp 224—226 °C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{13}H_{17}N_3O$: C, 67.51; H, 7.41; N, 18.17. Found: C, 67.47; H, 7.40; N, 17.88. IR (KBr): 1690 cm⁻¹. ¹H-NMR (DMSO- d_6 +CD₃OD) δ : 0.88—1.68 (5H, m, piperidine H), 2.02—3.12 (4H, m, piperidine H), 4.1 (1H, m, >CHNH), 6.66—7.16 (4H, m, aromatic H).

1-Benzyl-4-(2-nitrophenylmethylaminomethyl)piperidine · 2HCl (48)—A solution of 4-aminomethylpiperidine ¹⁰⁾ (57 g, 0.50 mol) and 2-nitrobenzaldehyde (75.5 g, 0.50 mol) in 1 l of MeOH was stirred at room temperature for 3 h. This solution was further stirred, after addition of TEA (70 ml, 0.50 mol) and benzylbromide (59 ml, 0.50 mol), at room temperature overnight. NaBH₄ (60 g, 1.60 mol) was added portionwise over 3 h under ice-cooling. The resulting mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was mixed with H₂O and extracted with AcOEt to give crystals (130.4 g, 63.3%) of 48 as the 2HCl salt from HCl-MeOH. Recrystallization from EtOH afforded an analytical sample, mp 234—238 °C. Anal. Calcd for C₂₀H₂₅N₃O₂·2HCl: C, 58.26; H, 6.60; N, 10.19. Found: C, 58.12; H, 6.42; N, 10.16. IR (KBr): 1574, 1527, 1345 cm⁻¹. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃, as free base) δ: 0.9—3.1 (12H, m, piperidine H, -NHCH₂CH<), 3.45 (2H, s, -CH₂Ar), 3.98 (2H, s, -CH₂Ar'), 7.0—8.1 (9H, m, aromatic H).

1-Benzyl-4-(2-aminophenylmethylaminomethyl)piperidine · 2HCl (49)—A mixture of 48 · 2HCl (24.8 g, 60 mmol) and 10% Pd-C (2.5 g) in MeOH (400 ml) was stirred under atmospheric pressure of hydrogen at room temperature. After absorption of 180 mmol of hydrogen, the catalyst was filtered off and the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo to give a crystalline residue, which was triturated with MeOH and collected by filtration to afford crystals (11.7 g, 63.1%) of 49 as the 2HCl salt. Recrystallization from MeOH gave an analytical sample, mp 226—228 °C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{20}H_{27}N_3$ · 2HCl: C, 62.82; H, 7.64; N, 10.99. Found: C, 62.61; H, 7.71; N, 10.89. ¹H-NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ : 4.05 (2H, s, -CH₂Ar), 4.30 (2H, s, -CH₂Ar'), 6.4—7.9 (9H, m, aromatic H).

1-Benzyl-4-(2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-quinazolinylmethyl)piperidine (50)—A mixture of 49 (9.55 g, 25 mmol, as the 2HCl salt), TEA (7 ml, 50 mmol), and CDI (10 g, 62 mmol) in 100 ml of acetonitrile was refluxed for 3 h and allowed to cool to room temperature. The precipitated crystals were collected by filtration, washed successively with acetonitrile and H_2O , and dried to give crystals (5.2 g, 62.1%) of 50. Recrystallization from MeOH afforded an analytical sample, mp 177—179 °C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{21}H_{25}N_3O$: C, 75.19; H, 7.51; N, 12.53. Found: C, 75.13; H, 7.67; N, 12.28. IR (KBr): 1663 cm^{-1} . $^{1}\text{H-NMR}$ (CDCl₃) δ : 1.13—2.2 (7H, m, piperidine H), 2.56—3.1 (2H, m, piperidine H), 3.33 (2H, d, J = 6 Hz, >CHCH₂N), 3.48 (2H, s, -CH₂Ar), 4.42 (2H, s, -CH₂Ar'), 6.56—7.43 (9H, m,

aromatic H), 8.82 (1H, brs, NH).

4-(2-Oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-quinazolinylmethyl)piperidine (2e) — A mixture of 50 (5.0 g, 15 mmol), 10% Pd–C (1.0 g), and 1 N HCl (15 ml) in MeOH (90 ml) and H₂O (45 ml) was stirred at 40 °C under a hydrogen atmosphere for 14.5 h and concentrated after removal of the catalyst by filtration. The crystalline residue thus obtained was triturated with AcOEt, collected by filtration, and dried to give crystals (3.77 g, 89.2%) of 2e HCl. Recrystallization from MeOH afforded an analytical sample, mp 214—216 °C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{14}H_{19}N_3O$ ·HCl: C, 59.67; H, 7.15; N, 14.91. Found: C, 59.50; H, 7.24; N, 14.80. IR (KBr): 1645 cm⁻¹. ¹H-NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ: 1.0—2.3 (5H, m, piperidine H), 1.6—3.5 (6H, m, >CHC H_2N , piperidine H), 4.44 (2H, s, - CH_2Ar), 6.6—7.35 (4H, m, aromatic H), 9.25 (3H, br s, CONH, N H_2 Cl).

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