

## SYNTHESIS OF 4-AMINO- 4,8,9,10-TETRAHYDRO- PYRIMIDO[4',3':4,5]FURO- [2,3-*b*]QUINOLINES

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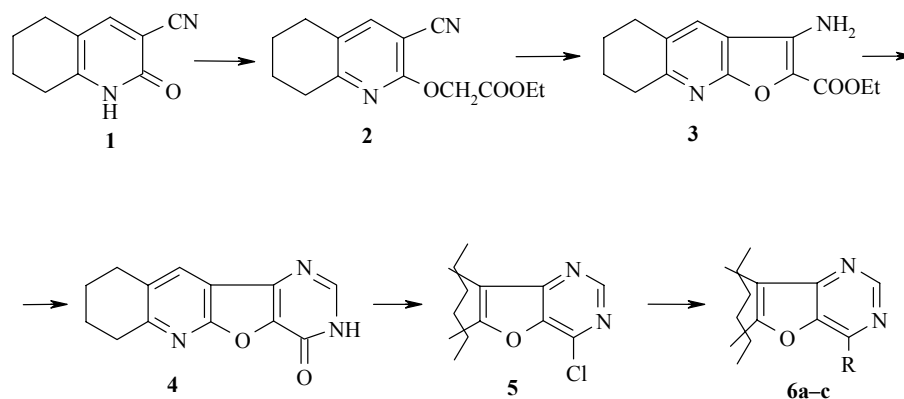
Previously unreported derivatives of 7,8,9,10-tetrahydropyrimido[4',3':4,5]furo[2,5-*b*]quinoline were synthesized starting with 3-cyano-2-hydroxy-1,2,3,4,8,9-hexahydroquinoline.

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Condensed derivatives of pyridopyrimidines with active functional groups hold interest since they may be starting materials for the synthesis of numerous new derivatives [1, 2] and biologically active compounds [3, 4].

3-Cyano-2-hydroxy-1,2,3,4,8,9-hexahydroquinoline (**1**) was used as a readily available starting compound for the synthesis of such derivatives containing a furan ring [5].

Heating **1** with chloroethyl acetate in alkaline medium gave cyano ester **2**, whose cyclization upon heating in the presence of sodium ethylate gave amino ester **3**. Heating **3** with formamide at 200-205°C led to 1-oxypyrimidofuroquinoline **4**, which reacts with POCl<sub>3</sub> in the presence of pyridine to give 1-chloro derivative **5**. The reaction of **5** with hydrazine hydrate, morpholine, or piperidine gave amino derivatives **6a-c** in high yield.



**6 a** R = NHNH<sub>2</sub>, **b** R = morpholino, **c** R = piperidino

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TABLE 1. Characteristics of Compounds 2-6

Compound	Empirical formula	Found, %			mp, °C	R <sub>f</sub> *	Yield, %
		Calculated, %					
		C	H	N			
<b>2</b>	C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>16</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	64.02	6.35	10.22	86-87	0.65	90
		64.60	6.19	10.76			
<b>3</b>	C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>16</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	64.34	6.12	10.56	229-230	0.55	54
		64.60	6.19	10.76			
<b>4</b>	C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>11</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	67.22	4.38	17.95	305-306	—	93
		67.72	4.59	17.42			
<b>5</b>	C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>10</sub> ClN <sub>3</sub> O* <sup>2</sup>	64.48	4.23	17.12	204-205	0.57	56
		64.07	4.14	17.24			
<b>6a</b>	C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>13</sub> N <sub>5</sub> O	61.42	5.25	27.38	287-288	0.62	65
		61.16	5.13	27.43			
<b>6b</b>	C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>18</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	65.87	5.28	18.39	197-198	0.69	75
		65.79	5.85	18.05			
<b>6c</b>	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>20</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O	70.38	6.24	18.28	175-176	0.66	79
		70.11	6.54	18.17			

\* Solvent systems: 1:3 ethyl acetate–petroleum ether (compound **2**), 1:1 ethyl acetate–petroleum ether (compound **3**), 3:1 ethyl acetate–petroleum ether for **6a-c**, and 2:1 chloroform–ether (compound **5**).

\*<sup>2</sup> Found, %: Cl 14.87. Calculated, %: Cl 14.55.

## EXPERIMENTAL

The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were taken on a Varian Mercury 300 spectrometer at 300 MHz in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> using TMS as the internal standard. Thin-layer chromatography was carried out on Silufol UV-254 plates with development by iodine vapor.

The characteristics of these compounds are given in Table 1.

**Ethyl 2-(3-cyano-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-2-quinolinyl)oxy)acetate (2).** A mixture of keto nitrile **1** (18.4 g, 100 mmol), ethyl chloroacetate (12.2 g, 100 mmol), and potassium carbonate (13.8 g, 100 mmol) in DMF (120 ml) was heated at 70°C for 1.5 h. The mixture was cooled and poured onto ice. The crystalline precipitate was filtered off and washed with water, a small amount of dilute alkali, and again with water until neutral. The crude product was recrystallized from absolute ethanol and dried. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum, δ, ppm (*J*, Hz): 7.92 (1H, s, =CH); 4.72 (2H, s, O–CH<sub>2</sub>); 4.20 (2H, q, *J* = 7, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>); 3.02 (4H, m, H-5,8); 1.94 (4H, m, H-6,7); 1.32 (3H, t, *J* = 7, CH<sub>2</sub>–CH<sub>3</sub>).

**Ethyl 3-amino-5,6,7,8-tetrahydrofuro[2,3-*b*]quinoline-2-carboxylate (3).** Compound **2** (2.9 g, 10 mmol) was added to a solution of sodium (0.28 g, 12 mmol) in absolute ethanol (45 ml) and heated at reflux with stirring for 2-3 min. The solution obtained was left overnight at room temperature. The crystalline precipitate was filtered off and washed with water and a small amount of ethanol. The crude product was recrystallized from ethanol and dried. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum, δ, ppm (*J*, Hz): 7.90 (1H, s, H-4); 6.15 (2H, br. s, NH<sub>2</sub>); 4.32 (2H, q, *J* = 7, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>); 2.90 (4H, m, H-5,8); 1.92 (4H, m, H-6,7); 1.40 (3H, t, *J* = 7, CH<sub>2</sub>–CH<sub>3</sub>).

**4-Oxo-3,4,7,8,9,10-hexahydropyrimido[4',5':4,5]furo[2,3-*b*]quinoline (4).** A mixture of amino ester **3** (2.9 g, 10 mmol) and formamide (30 ml) was heated at 200-205°C for 3 h. The crystalline precipitate formed upon cooling was filtered off, thoroughly washed with water and ethanol, and recrystallized from ethanol. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum, δ, ppm (*J*, Hz): 12.85 (1H, br. s, NH); 8.10 (1H, s, N=CH); 7.95 (1H, s, =CH); 3.05 (4H, m, H-7,10); 1.95 (4H, m, H-8,9).

**4-Chloro-7,8,9,10-tetrahydropyrimido[4',5':4,5]furo[2,3-*b*]quinoline (5).** A mixture of pyrimidinone **4** (2.4 g, 10 mmol), POCl<sub>3</sub> (19.9 g, 130 mmol), and pyridine (2.0 g) was heated at 105°C for 3 h. Excess POCl<sub>3</sub> and pyridine were distilled off in vacuum created by a water pump. Ice water (20 ml) was added dropwise to the residue with cooling. The mixture was then neutralized by adding 25% aqueous ammonia. The crystalline precipitate was filtered off, washed with water and ethanol, and dried. The crude product was recrystallized from ethanol. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum, δ, ppm (*J*, Hz): 8.11 (1H, s, N=CH); 8.05 (1H, s, =CH); 3.05 (4H, m, H-7,10); 1.95 (4H, m, H-8,9).

**4-Substituted 7,8,9,10-tetrahydropyrimido[4',5':4,5]furo[2,3-*b*]quinolines 6.** A mixture of chloride **5** (2.6 g, 10 mmol) and corresponding amine, morpholine, piperidine (or concentrated aqueous hydrazine hydrate) (20 ml) was heated at reflux for 6 h. After cooling, water was added. The crystalline precipitate was filtered off, washed with water, and recrystallized from ethanol. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum, δ, ppm (*J*, Hz): **6a**: 8.08 (1H, s, N=CH); 8.05 (1H, s, =CH); 3.59-3.38 (3H, br. s, NH-NH<sub>2</sub>); 3.02 (4H, m, H-7,10); 1.95 (4H, m, H-8,9); **6b**: 8.09 (1H, s, N=CH); 8.07 (1H, s, =CH); 3.72 (4H, m, OCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.55 (4H, m, NCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.02 (4H, m, H-7,10); 1.95 (4H, m, H-8,9); **6c**: 8.10 (1H, s, N=CH); 8.07 (1H, s, =CH); 3.54 (4H, m, N-CH<sub>2</sub>); 1.64-1.74 (6H, m, β-, γ-CH<sub>2</sub>); 3.02 (4H, m, H-7,10); 1.92 (4H, m, H-8,9).

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