

SYNTHESIS OF SOME NEW 7-SUBSTITUTED AMINOMETHYL-6-CHLOROQUINOLINE-5,8-QUINONE

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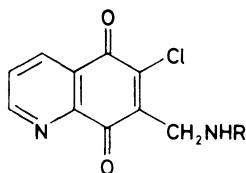
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Some new 7-substituted aminomethyl-6-chloroquinoline-5,8-quinone (*II–IV*) have been obtained by the Mannich reaction on 6-chloroquinoline-5,8-dione and biologically evaluated.

The Mannich products obtained from 6-hydroxyquinoline-5,8-quinone with 1-hexylamine displayed significant amoebicidal activity against induced *E. histolytica* infection in the guinea pig^{1–4}. Therefore it was of interest to prepare a new series of 6-chloro-7-aryl (or alkyl) aminomethylquinoline-5,8-quinone (*II*) which may be of some biological interest. 7-Piperidino- and morpholinomethyl-6-chloroquinoline-5,8-quinone (*III, IV*) were also prepared.

Oxidation and halogenation of 5-amino-8-hydroxyquinoline had been carried out using a mixture of anhydrous ferric chloride and concentrated hydrochloric acid to give 6-chloroquinoline-5,8-dione hydrochloride⁵ (*I*). Refluxing *I* with an alcoholic solution of equimolecular amounts of the amine (primary aromatic or aliphatic) and paraformaldehyde for about 10 h afforded compounds *II* (cf. Table I). Using secondary amine such as piperidine and morpholine gave the 7-piperidino and morpholino derivatives under the same conditions. These derivatives were identified by elemental analysis and spectral (IR, UV) data.



II

II_a, R = C₆H₅

II_b, R = C₆H₄-*p*-CH₃

II_c, R = C₆H₄-*p*-OH

II_d, R = C₆H₄-*p*-Cl

II_e, R = C₆H₄-*p*-NO₂

II_f, R = C₆H₄-*p*-COOH

II_g, R = C₆H₄-*o*-OH

II_h, R = C₆H₄-*o*-Cl

II_i, R = C₆H₄-*o*-NO₂

II_j, R = C₆H₄-*o*-COOH

II_k, R = 1-naphthyl

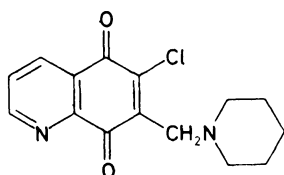
II_l, R = 2-pyridyl

II_m, R = CH₃

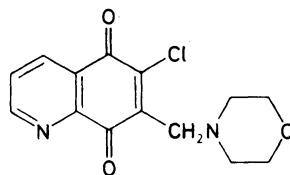
II_n, R = CH₂CO₂H

TABLE I
Characteristics of compounds *IIa–IV*

Compound Colour	M.p., °C Yield, %	Formula (M.w.)	Calculated/Found			
			% C	% H	% Cl	% N
<i>IIa</i> Brownish violet	> 350	$C_{16}H_{11}ClN_2O_2$	64.30	3.68	11.89	9.38
	50	(298.5)	64.65	3.90	11.94	9.57
<i>IIb</i> Reddish brown	> 350	$C_{17}H_{13}ClN_2O_2$	65.28	4.16	11.36	8.96
	80	(312.5)	65.49	4.32	11.49	8.88
<i>IIc</i> Violet brown	> 350	$C_{16}H_{11}ClN_2O_3$	61.05	3.50	11.29	8.90
	54	(314.5)	61.20	3.68	11.39	8.80
<i>II d</i> Brownish violet	> 350	$C_{16}H_{10}ClN_2O_2$	57.83	3.01	21.32	8.40
	50	(332.4)	57.99	3.20	21.21	8.08
<i>IIe</i> Brown	> 350	$C_{16}H_{10}ClN_3O_4$	55.89	2.91	10.36	12.22
	55	(343.5)	56.02	3.12	10.18	12.08
<i>II f</i> Violet brown	> 350	$C_{17}H_{11}ClN_2O_4$	59.56	3.21	10.36	8.17
	45	(342.5)	9.82	3.50	10.20	8.07
<i>II g</i> Violet brown	170	$C_{16}H_{11}ClN_2O_3$	61.05	3.50	11.28	8.90
	70	(314.5)	61.31	3.72	11.12	8.75
<i>II h</i> Violet brown	145	$C_{16}H_{10}Cl_2N_2O_2$	57.83	3.01	12.32	8.43
	61	(332.4)	58.03	3.25	12.16	8.25
<i>II i</i> Dark brown	> 350	$C_{16}H_{10}ClN_3O_4$	55.89	2.91	10.33	12.22
	35	(343.5)	56.05	3.15	10.15	12.06
<i>II j</i> Violet brown	250 (dec.)	$C_{17}H_{11}ClN_2O_4$	59.56	3.21	10.36	8.17
	55	(342.5)	59.88	3.40	10.19	8.04
<i>II k</i> Black violet	> 350	$C_{20}H_{13}ClN_2O_2$	68.87	3.73	10.18	8.03
	70	(348.5)	68.99	3.91	10.30	7.92
<i>II l</i> Brown	290	$C_{15}H_{10}ClN_3O_2$	63.04	3.50	12.43	9.81
	38	(285.5)	63.35	3.69	12.75	9.98
<i>II m</i> Brown violet	> 350	$C_{11}H_9ClN_2O_2$	55.81	3.80	15.01	11.83
	40	(236.5)	55.99	3.96	15.32	12.05
<i>II n</i> Dark violet	> 350	$C_{12}H_9ClN_2O_4$	51.37	3.70	12.67	9.98
	45	(280.5)	51.60	3.35	12.50	9.80
<i>III</i> Brownish violet	> 360	$C_{15}H_{15}ClN_2O_2$	61.97	5.15	12.22	9.64
	75	(290.7)	61.88	5.31	12.31	9.49
<i>IV</i> Brown	260 (dec.)	$C_{14}H_{13}ClN_2O_3$	57.44	4.44	12.14	9.57
	60	(292.7)	57.61	4.52	12.27	9.39



III



IV

IR spectra showed well defined bands at $3\ 200\text{--}3\ 400\ \text{cm}^{-1}$ ($\nu(\text{NH})$), $2\ 800$ to $2\ 950\ \text{cm}^{-1}$ ($\nu(\text{CH}_2)$) $1\ 640\text{--}1\ 680\ \text{cm}^{-1}$ ($\nu(\text{C}=\text{O})$ of quinones), and $1\ 580$ to $1\ 640\ \text{cm}^{-1}$ ($\nu(\text{C}=\text{N})$). The UV spectra of these compounds in dioxane displayed the $\pi\text{--}\pi^*$ transition bands due to phenyl and heterocyclic rings around $250(\text{s})$, 270 (shoulder) and $320\text{--}335\ \text{nm}$ (shoulder).

Biological testing of selected compounds *Ila*, *Ile*, *IIm* and *III*, was done by the usual disc assay method against *Bacillus cereus*, *Micrococcus luteus*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Escherichia coli*, *Serratia sp.*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* and showed that alkylaminomethyl substitution induced greater bactericidal activity than aryl aminomethyl substitution while substitution by *p*-nitrophenylaminomethyl eliminates this activity.

EXPERIMENTAL

Melting points are uncorrected. IR spectra in KBr were recorded on a Unicam SP 200 G spectrophotometer. UV spectra were recorded on a Unicam SP 8000 UV Recording spectrophotometer using 1 cm matched silica cells.

TABLE II

Effect of selected compounds on some Gram positive and Gram negative bacterial species using disc plate method (disc diameter 5 mm) expressed as diameter of inhibition zone in mm

Organism	Compound			
	<i>Ila</i>	<i>Ile</i>	<i>IIm</i>	<i>III</i>
<i>Bacillus cereus</i>	8	—	12	10
<i>Micrococcus luteus</i>	—	—	10	—
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	9	—	11	12
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	9	—	10	11
<i>Serratia sp.</i>	—	—	—	—
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	—	—	—	—

6-Chloro-7-aryl(alkyl)aminomethylquinoline-5,8-quinone (*II–IV*)

A mixture of *I* (0.004 mol), paraformaldehyde (0.004 mol) and the primary aromatic or aliphatic amine (0.004 mol) was refluxed in ethanol (50 ml) for 30–50 h, during which most of the starting material dissolved before precipitation of the product. The separated products *IIa–IIn* were filtered and crystallized from acetic acid, yield 40–80%. These compounds are highly colored from brown-brownish violet, insoluble in chloroform, carbon tetrachloride, ether, moderately soluble in acetone, dioxane, pyridine, and soluble in acetic acid and dilute HCl, sparingly soluble in methanol and ethanol. Compounds *III* and *IV* were also prepared following the above procedure. Physical and analytical data are given in Table I.

Determination of Antibacterial Activity of Some Selected Compounds *II, III*

The antibacterial activity of compounds *IIa, IIe, IIm* and *III* were determined by the usual disc assay method against *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Bacillus cereus*, *Micrococcus luteus*, *Escherichia coli*, *Serratia sp.*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* at concentrations 5 microgram per disc (see Table II). The culture medium used was of normal nutrient agar containing one gram yeast/liter. The bactericidal suspension was prepared by adding one ml of sterile distilled water to a 24 h old culture of the test organism grown on nutrient agar slant.

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