

A Novel Synthesis of Anthraquinonoid Blue Disperse Dyes: Reaction of Primary Amines with 4,8-Dinitroanthrarufin and 4,5-Dinitrochrysazin

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ABSTRACT

Condensation of primary amines with 4,8-dinitroanthrarufin (DNAR) and 4,5-dinitrochrysazin (DNCZ) at room temperature afforded the corresponding 4-arylamino-, and 2,4(2,6)-dialkylamino-, 2,6-(2,7)-diaryl-amino-anthraquinone blue dyes. It is proposed that the initial enol-ketone tautomerism from DNAR and DNCZ facilitates formation of the 4-arylamino derivatives. The possibility of the formation of the reactive species 1,2,9,10-tetrahydro-1,2,9,10-tetraoxoanthracene and 1,2,5,6,9,10-hexahydro-1,2,5,6,9,10-hexaoxoanthracene (XI and XII), oxidised from ketone forms of DNAR and DNCZ (IX and X) by cupric ion and air, is also discussed. © 1998 Elsevier Science Ltd

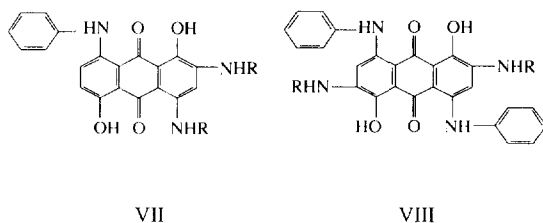
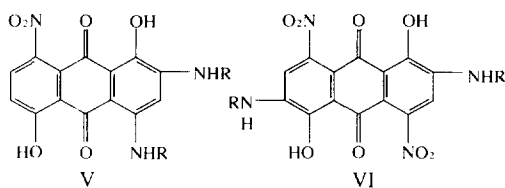
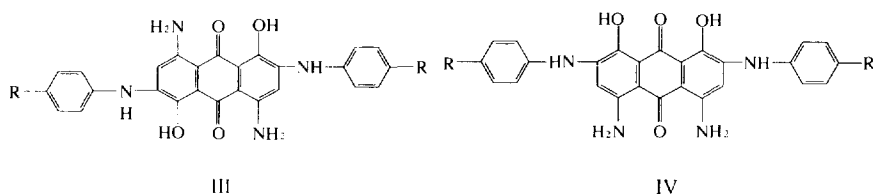
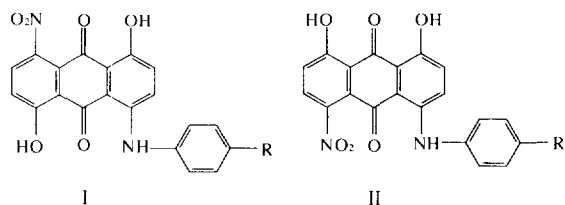
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1 INTRODUCTION

4,8-Dinitroanthrarufin (DNAR) and 4,5-dinitrochrysazin (DNCZ) are widely utilized in the synthesis of blue disperse dyes. Thus, the condensation of DNAR and DNCZ with alkylamines and arylamines affords the corresponding 4-alkylaminol [1, 2] 4-arylamino [3], 4-arylamino-5(8)-amino [3], and 8-(5-) amino-4-alkylamino derivatives [1, 2] and 1-alkylamino-4-arylamino-5-nitro(and-5-amino) [4], 1,5-bis(alkylamino)-4-arylamino [4], 1,4-bis(aryla-

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mino)-5-nitro (and-5-amino) [5], 1,4,5-tris(aryl-amino) [5], 5-alkyl-amino-1,4-bis(aryl-amino) [5], 4,8-,4,5- and 5,8- bis(aryl-amino) [6], 4,8(4,5)-bis(alkyl-amino), [1, 2] and 1,4,5,8-tetrakis(aryl-amino) [7, 8] derivatives. They were prepared by reaction with excess amine at high temperature (above 100°C). However, 2-substituted and 2,6- and 2,7-disubstituted derivatives can be prepared by stirring excess reagents such as thiophenol and thioglycol with DNAR and DNCZ at room temperature [9, 10]. We now report the condensation of DNAR (and DNCZ) with excess arylamines (and alkylamines) in the presence (and in the absence) of cupric acetate at room temperature to give 4-aryl-amino-5(8)-nitro (I and II), 2,6-(2,7)-bis(aryl-amino)-4,8-(4,5)-diamino (III and IV), 2,4-bis(alkyl- and aryl-amino)-8-nitro(V), and 2,6-bis(alkyl-amino)-4,8-dinitro(VI) derivatives, and possible mechanisms for them are discussed.



2 EXPERIMENTAL

2.1 Preparation of dyes I and II

DNAR (0.5 g) and aniline (4 g) were stirred in 20 ml *N,N*-dimethylformamide (DMF) at room temperature for 25 h. The mixture was stirred into 200 ml 10% aqueous hydrochloric acid. The blue solid was filtered, washed neutral with water and recrystallised from 2-methoxyethanol (0.34 g, 60%) in dark brown needles with a metallic lustre, m.p. 222°C–224°C, of 4-anilino-8-nitro-1,5-dihydroxyanthraquinone (I.1). From DNAR or DNCZ and the appropriate arylamines were similarly obtained dyes I.2, I.3 and II.1–II.3 (Table 1).

2.2 Preparation of dyes III, IV, V and VI

The above procedure (Section 2.1) was repeated in the presence of 0.33 g cupric acetate. Relevant data on yield and $\lambda_{\max}$ are given in Table 1.

TABLE 1
Synthesis and Characterisation Data of Dyes

Dye	R	Amount of arylamines	Reaction time (h)	Weight (g) (yield,%)	$\lambda_{\max}$ (nm) in DMF
I.1	H	4.00 g aniline	25	0.34(60)	585,620
I.2	CH ₃	1.53 g <i>p</i> -toluidine	20	0.28(47)	585,621
I.3	OCH ₃	1.54 g <i>p</i> -anisidine	18	0.31(50)	590,625
II.1	H	3.00 g aniline	35	0.28(50)	590,610
II.2	CH ₃	1.82 g <i>p</i> -toluidine	31	0.26(44)	590,615
II.3	OCH ₃	1.60 g <i>p</i> -anisidine	28	0.28(45)	595,620
III.1	H	0.60 g aniline	54	0.38(55)	595,625
III.2	CH ₃	0.51 g <i>p</i> -toluidine	50	0.36(50) ^a	592,626
IV.1	CH ₃	0.60 g <i>p</i> -toluidine	54	0.33(45)	600,620
V.1	<i>p</i> -CH ₃ -C ₆ H ₄	0.50 g <i>p</i> -toluidine	50	0.36(50) ^a	595,642
V.2	<i>p</i> -OCH ₃ -C ₆ H ₄	1.55 g <i>p</i> -anisidine	50	0.34(43)	595,642
V.3	<i>n</i> -C ₄ H ₉	4.50 g <i>n</i> -butylamine	48	0.52(80)	587,625s
V.4	<i>n</i> -C ₆ H ₁₃	4.50 g <i>n</i> -hexylamine	48	0.64(87)	588,634s
V.5	<i>n</i> -C ₈ H ₁₇	4.50 g <i>n</i> -octylamine	48	0.70(85)	591,635s
VI.1	<i>n</i> -C ₄ H ₉	4.50 g <i>n</i> -butylamine	48	0.55(78)	585,631s
			(at 10°C)		
VI.1	<i>n</i> -C ₄ H ₉	20 g aniline	6	0.34(77)	605s,654
VII.2	<i>n</i> -C ₆ H ₁₃	20 g aniline	6	0.31(70)	610s,656
VII.3	<i>n</i> -C ₈ H ₁₇	20 g aniline	6	0.31(72)	610s,655
VIII.1	<i>n</i> -C ₄ H ₉	20 g aniline	6	0.29(60)	570s,615

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^a, purified by preparative TLC, 60% III.2 and 40% V.1.

2.3 Preparation of dyes VII and VIII

Dye V.3 (0.4g) and 20 g aniline were refluxed for 6 h. The liquor was cooled to room temperature, then poured into 200 ml 10% aqueous hydrochloric acid and left to stand overnight. The crystalline material which separated was filtered and washed neutral with water. Recrystallization from 2-methoxyethanol gave 0.34 g (77%) of 2,4-bis(*n*-butylamino)-8-anilino-1,5-dihydroxy-anthraquinone (VII.1), m.p. 280°C.

Dyes VII.2, VII.3 and VIII.1 were synthesized by a similar procedure from V.4, V.5 and VI.1, respectively, as detailed in Table 1.

2.4 General

All dyes were homogeneous on TLC (Merck, silica gel 5748) and were analytically pure; molecular weights and the absence of any higher molecular weight impurities were confirmed by mass spectrometry.

Characterisation data were obtained by mass spectrometry (Hitachi M-52), IR (Hitachi 260 - 50) and ¹HNMR (Varian VXR-300) (Table 2). Electronic spectra were recorded on a Shimadzu UV 240 from dye solutions in DMF (Table 1).

3 RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Houben has pointed out that α -nitroanthraquinone undergo nucleophilic displacement in a manner analogous to that undergone by *o*-dinitrobenzene [11]. Locher and Fierz [12] showed that the nitro groups in nitroanthraquinones are readily replaced, in much the same way as the halogen atoms in halogenoanthraquinones, and that α -nitro groups are replaced more readily than β -groups. The 1-hydroxy group of DNAR and DNCZ could deactivate the 4-nitro group toward nucleophilic substitution because of its electron-donating power. Thus, the condensation of DNAR and DNCZ with primary amines was usually carried out under stringent conditions, e.g. refluxing in excess primary amines [13] or in water [14] and organic solvents such as 2-methoxyethanol [15], 2-ethoxyethanol [16], quinoline [15] and 1-pentanol [17]. For the more reactive primary amines, the use of reaction temperatures of 120–125°C has been concluded to give the best conditions for avoiding the formation of bis-aminated derivatives [18]. Hartke *et al.* [19] made 4-alkylamino and 2-alkylimino derivatives by stirring 1,2-naphthoquinone-4-sulfonic acid with primary aliphatic amines at room temperature. 2-Alkylaminoquinizarins have been made by addition of primary aliphatic amines to oxidised quinizarin under extremely mild conditions *via* the reactive quinone [20].

TABLE 2
Spectroscopic Data

Dye	R	Mass(<i>m/e</i>)	IR ^a (<i>cm</i> ⁻¹ , KBr)	NMR ^b (δ ppm, CDCl ₃)
I.1	H	376.2(M ⁺)	3400, 3250, 3080(Ar-NH), 1650, 1590(C=O), 1545, 1375(Ar-NO ₂), 1565, 1515, 1460(Ar ring), 1315, 1275(Car-N), 1225, 1160(Car-OH), 3420(b, Ar-NH), 1600, 1580(C=O), 1535, 1385(Ar-NO ₂), 1515, 1455(Ar ring), 1360(CH ₃), 1320, 1260(Car-N), 1215, 1170(Car-OH), 3400(b, Ar-NH), 1605, 1590(C=O), 1527(Ar-NO ₂), 1505, 1450(Ar ring), 1355(CH ₃), 1320(Car-N), 1245, 1020 (Ar-OCH ₃), 1210, 1160(Car-OH)	13.7381(s, 1H, OH), 13.3681(s, 1H, OH) 11.5665(s, 1H, NH), 7.6044-7.2185(m, 9H, Ar, and Aq)
I.2	CH ₃	390.1(M ⁺)	1275(Car-N), 1225, 1160(Car-OH), 3420(b, Ar-NH), 1600, 1580(C=O), 1535, 1385(Ar-NO ₂), 1515, 1455(Ar ring), 1360(CH ₃), 1320, 1260(Car-N), 1215, 1170(Car-OH)	13.7953(s, 1H, OH), 13.4131(s, 1H, OH) 11.5383 (s, 1H, NH), 7.5945-7.1584(m, 8H, Ar and Aq), 2.4061(s, 3H, CH ₃)
I.3	OCH ₃	406.2(M ⁺)	3400(b, Ar-NH), 1605, 1590(C=O), 1527(Ar-NO ₂), 1505, 1450(Ar ring), 1355(CH ₃), 1320(Car-N), 1245, 1020 (Ar-OCH ₃), 1210, 1160(Car-OH)	13.7318(s, 1H, OH), 13.3386, (s, 1H, OH), 11.3978(s, 1H, NH), 7.5114-6.9032(m, 8H, Ar and Aq), 3.7875(s, 3H, OCH ₃)
II.1	H	376.2(M ⁺)	3370(Ar-NH), 1630, 1590(C=O), 1530, 1365(Ar-NO ₂), 1492, 1460(Ar ring), 1325, 1250(Car-N), 1225, 1167(Car-OH)	12.8207(s, 1H, OH), 12.7450(s, 1H, OH), 11.6726(s, 1H, NH), 7.5688-7.1193(m, 9H, Ar and Aq).
II.2	CH ₃	390.2(M ⁺)	3400(Ar-NH), 1630, 1590 (C=O), 1535, 1365(Ar-NO ₂), 1508, 1460(Ar ring), 1375(CH ₃), 1250(Car-N), 1218, 1162(Car-OH)	12.9208(s, 1H, OH), 12.8341(s, 1H, OH), 11.7251(s, 1H, NH), 7.6323-7.1071(m, 8H, Ar and Aq), 2.3817(s, 3H, CH ₃)
II.3	OCH ₃	406.2(M ⁺)	3350(b, Ar-NH), 1635, 1590(C=O), 1530, 1360(Ar-NO ₂), 1510, 1460(Ar ring), 1310, 1260(Car-N), 1242, 1015(Ar-OCH ₃), 1220, 1170(Car-OH)	12.8292(s, 1H, OH), 12.7462(s, 1H, OH), 11.5969(s, 1H, NH), 7.5480-6.8604(m, 8H, Ar and Aq), 3.7667(s, 3H, OCH ₃)
III.1	H	452.1(M ⁺)	3420(Ar-NH), 1630, 1590(C=O), 1500, 1450(Ar ring), 1305, 1265(Car-N), 1215, 1165(Car-OH)	13.9420(s, 2H, OH), 11.4005(s, 4H, NH ₂), 7.7050-6.7810(m, 12H, Ar and Aq)

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Table 2—*cont'd*

Dye	R	Mass(<i>m/e</i>)	IR ^a (<i>cm</i> ⁻¹ , KBr)	NMR ^b (δ ppm, CDCl ₃)
III.2	CH ₃	480.2(M ⁺)	3480(Ar-NH), 1640, 1590(C=O), 1505, 1460(Ar ring), 1375(CH ₃), 1260(Car-N), 1170(Car-OH)	14.5330(s, 1H, OH), 14.3071(s, 1H, O H), 13.9187(s, 1H, NH ₂), 13.6329(s, 1H, NH ₂), 13.4986(s, 1H, NH ₂), 13.4057(s, 1H, NH ₂), 7.6470-7.1914(m, 10H, Ar and Aq), 2.4330(s, 3H, CH ₃), 2.4073 (m, 3H, CH ₃)
IV.1	CH ₃	480.3(M ⁺)	3450(Ar-NH), 1630, 1590 (C=O), 1510, 1460(Ar ring), 1380(CH ₃), 1260(Car-N), 1170 (Car-OH)	13.5050(s, 2H, OH), 12.9500(s, 2H, NH ₂), 11.7600(s, 2H, NH ₂), 7.7000-7.2000(m, 10H, Ar and Aq), 2.4500(s, 3H, CH ₃), 2.4000(s, 3H, CH ₃)
V.1	p-CH ₃ -C ₆ H ₄	495.3(M ⁺)	3400, 3350(Ar-NH), 1630, 1585(C=O), 1460(Ar ring), 1370(CH ₃), 1292, 1245(Car-N), 12 00, 1155(Car-OH)	15.0811(s, 1H, OH), 14.7077(s, 1H, OH), 12.0500(s, 1H, NH) 7.5175-6.9520(m, 12H, Ar and Aq), 2.3756(s, 3H, CH ₃), 2.3377(s, 3H, CH ₃)
V.2	p-OCH ₃ -C ₆ H ₄	527.4 (M ⁺)	3300(Ar-NH), 1625, 1580(C=O), 1505, 1455(Ar ring), 1285(Car-N) 1245, 1025(Ar-OCH ₃), 1165(Car-OH)	15.0155(s, 1H, OH), 14.7040(1H, OH), 11.8815(s, 1H, NH), 7.5139-6.5245(m, 12H, Ar and Aq) 3.7569(s, 3H, OCH ₃), 3.7337(s, 3H, OCH ₃)
V.3	n-C ₄ H ₉ -C ₆ H ₄	427.3(M ⁺) 384.2(M-C ₃ H ₇) ⁺	3400(b, Ar-OH), 3350(Ar-NH), 2950, 2850(C-H), 1620, 1560(C=O), 1550, 1520, 1410(Ar ring), 1370(CH ₃), 1160(Car-OH)	15.3000(s, 1H, OH), 15.2400(s, 1H, OH), 10.8000(s, 1H, NH), 5.8300(b, 1H, β -NH), 7.1200-7.5200(m, 3H, Aq), 3.4100-3.1900(m, 4H, CH ₂), 1.8100-0.9800(m, 14H, CH ₃ and CH ₂)
V.4	n-C ₆ H ₁₃	483.3(M ⁺)	3350(Ar-NH), 2900, 2850(C-H), 1620, 1560(C=O), 1550, 1500, 1460, 1410(Ar ring), 1360(CH ₃), 1150(Car-OH)	13.4530(s, 1H, OH), 13.2580(s, 1H, OH), 1 0.0910(s, 1H, NH), 5.8700(b, 1H, β -NH), 7.4900-7.1400(m, 3H, Aq), 3.4300-3.2400 (m, 4H, CH ₂), 1.7300-0.8600 (m, 22H, CH ₃ and CH ₂)
V.5	n-C ₈ H ₁₇	539.4(M ⁺)	3400(b, OH), 3350(Ar-NH), 2900, 2850(C-H), 1620, 1560 (C=O), 1550, 1510, 1460(Ar ring), 1360 (CH ₃), 1320, 1290(Car-N), 1210, 1150(Car-OH)	14.0110(s, 1H, OH), 13.4460(s, 1H, OH), 10.1860(s, 1H, NH), 7.5650-7.3020(m, 3H Aq), 3.9940-3.4200(m, 4H, CH ₂), 2.3400-0.8600(m, 30H, CH ₃ and CH ₂)
VI.1	n-C ₄ H ₉	472.3(M ⁺) 457.2(M-CH ₃) ⁺ 430.2(M-C ₃ H ₆) ⁺	3350(b, OH and Ar-NH), 2900, 2850 (C-H), 1620, 1590 (C=O), 1570, 1550, 1495, 1410(Ar ring), 1375 (CH ₃), 1540, 1355(NO ₂), 1275(Car-N), 1230, 1150(Car-OH)	15.2300 (s, 2H, OH), 7.5300-7.1500(m, 2H, Aq), 4.0860-3.2690(m, 4H, CH ₂), 1.9010-0.8850(m, 14H, CH ₃ and CH ₂)

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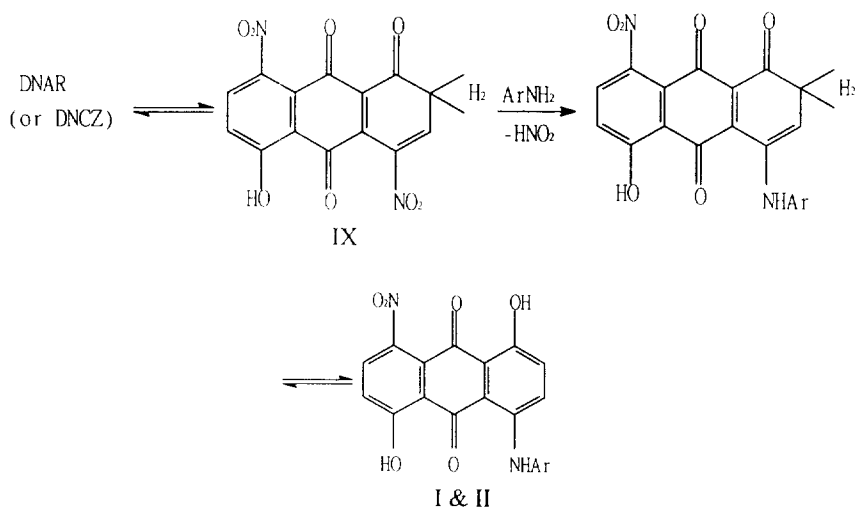
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VII.1	n-C ₄ H ₉ 473.3(M ⁺) 430.2(M-C ₃ H ₇) ⁺	3400(b, OH), 3350(Ar-NH), 2950, 2900, 2850(C-H), 1620, 1590(C=O), 1550, 1520, 1500, 1470(Ar ring), 1385(CH ₃), 1250(Car-N), 1160(Car-OH)	15.1370(s, 1H, OH), 14.7520(s, 1H, OH), 11.1050(s, 1H, NH), 10.2700(s, 1H, NH) 7.4280-7.1010(m, 8H, Ar and Aq), 3.3620-3.2020 (m, 4H, CH ₂), 1.8010-0.8420 (m, 14H, CH ₃ and CH ₂)
VII.2	n-C ₆ H ₁₃ 529.4(M ⁺) 459.3(M-C ₃ H ₁₀) ⁺	3400(b, OH and Ar-NH), 2900, 2850(C-H), 1620, 1590(C=O), 1560, 1500, 1460 (Ar ring), 1375 (CH ₃), 1300, 1250, (Car-N), 1230, 1180(Car-OH)	15.0920 (s, 1H, OH), 14.6210(s, 1H, OH), 11.0750(s, 1H, NH), 10.2120 (s, 1H, NH), 5.4300(b, 1H, β -NH) 7.4100-7.0720 (m, 8H, Ar and Aq), 3.3220-3.2210(m, 4H, CH ₂) 1.7670-0.9810(m, 22H, CH ₃ and CH ₂)
VII.3	n-C ₈ H ₁₇ 585.4(M ⁺) 557.4(M-C ₂ H ₄) ⁺ 458.3(M-NC ₃ H ₁₇) ⁺	3350(b, OH and Ar-NH), 2900, 2850(C-H) 1625, 1590(C=O), 1550, 1495, 1460(Ar ring), 1380(CH ₃), 1260(Car-N), 1155(Car-OH)	15.1070 (s, 1H, OH), 14.7450(s, 1H, OH), 11.0800(s, 1H, NH), 10.2200(s, 1H, NH), 7.4110-7.0770(m, 8H, Ar and Aq) 5.4350 (b, 1H, β -NH), 3.3060-3.2040(m, 4H, CH ₂) 1.7940-0.8560(m, 30H, CH ₂ and CH ₃)
VIII.1	n-C ₄ H ₉ 564.4(M ⁺) 549.4(M-CH ₃) ⁺	3450(b, OH), 3350(Ar-NH), 2900, 2850(C-H) 1620, 1590(C=O), 1500, 1460(Ar ring), 1295(Car-N), 1250(Car-OH)	15.6500(s, 2H, OH) 11.4500(s, 2H, NH), 7.4600-7.1600(m, 12H, Ar and Aq), 5.4500(b, 2H, β -NH) 3.1400-3.0400(m, 4H, CH ₂), 1.6310-0.9150(m, 14H, CH ₂ and CH ₃)

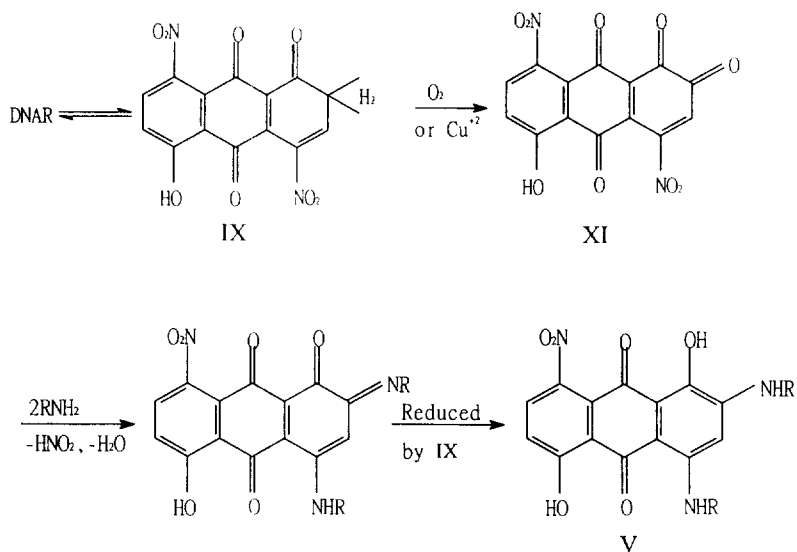
^aAr and ar, aromatic; b, broad.^bs, singlet; m, multiplet; b, broad; Ar, aromatic; Aq, anthraquinone.

Dyes III and IV, which have good order parameters, may be used in commercially viable liquid crystal devices [21].

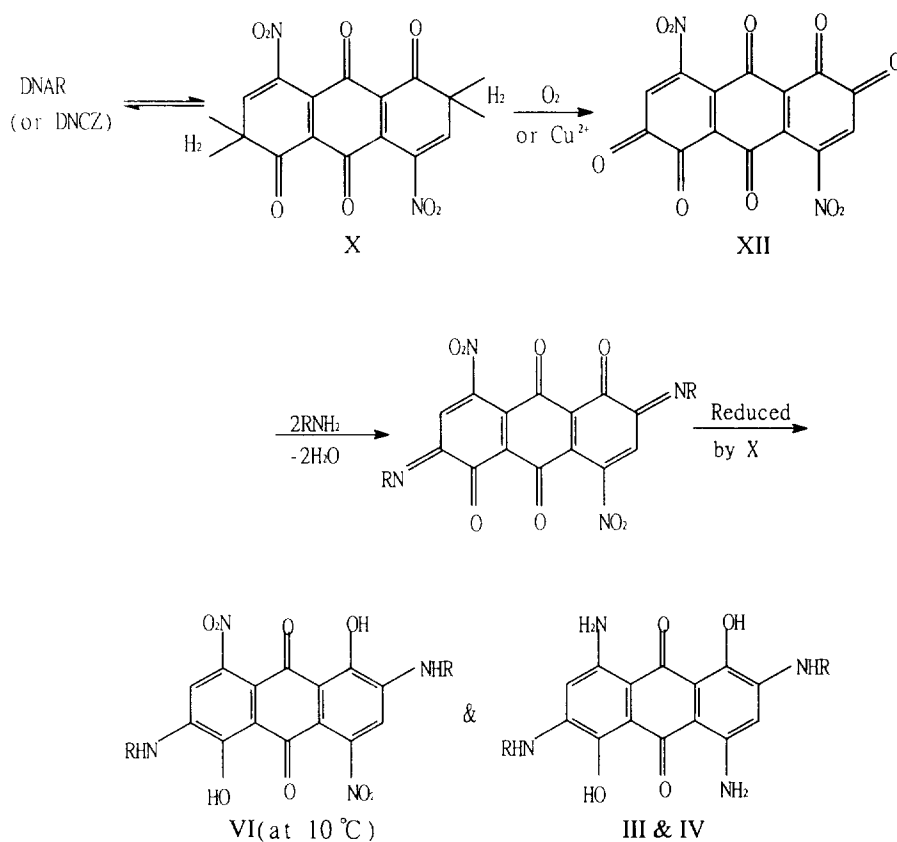
Possible mechanisms for the reactions studied here are shown in Schemes 1, 2 and 3, in which reactive species IX and X are stabilized by forming a complex with curpric ion or cuprous ion.



Scheme 1



Scheme 2



Scheme 3

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