# Synthesis of 4*H*-1,3,4-Oxadiazino[5,6-*b*]quinoxalines from 2-Substituted Ouinoxaline 4-Oxides

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The reaction of 6-chloro-2-(1-methylhydrazino)quinoxaline 4-oxide 8 with acetic anhydride resulted in the intramolecular cyclization to give 8-chloro-2,4-dimethyl-4H-1,3,4-oxadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxaline 7a, while the reaction of compound 8 with acetic anhydride/pyridine or acetic anhydride/acetic acid afforded 3-(2,2-diacetyl-1-methylhydrazino)-7-chloro-2-oxo-1,2-dihydroquinoxaline 9, effecting no intramolecular cyclization. The reaction of 2-(2-acetyl-1-methylhydrazino)-6-chloroquinoxaline 4-oxide 10a or 6-chloro-2-(1-methyl-2-trifluoroacetylhydrazino)quinoxaline 4-oxide 10b with phosphoryl chloride provided compound 7a or 8-chloro-4-methyl-2-trifluoromethyl-4H-1,3,4-oxadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxaline 7b, respectively. The reaction of compound 7b with phosphorus pentasulfide gave 7-chloro-3-(1-methyl-2-trifluoroacetylhydrazino)-2-thioxo-1,2-dihydroquinoxaline 11, whose dehydration with sulfuric acid in acetic acid afforded 8-chloro-4-methyl-2-trifluoromethyl-4H-1,3,4-thiadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxaline 12.

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Several research groups have reported the synthesis of the 4H-1,3,4-thiadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxalines 1 [2,3] and 4H-1,3,4-oxadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxalines 2 [4], which are produced by the reaction of the 2,3-dichloroquinoxaline 3 with thioacyl or acyl hydrazides 4, respectively (Chart 1). Thereafter, we reported a method for the synthesis of the 2-acylamino-4H-1,3,4-thiadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxalines 5 from the 2-thiocarbamoylhydrazinoquinoxaline 4-oxides 6 via an N<sub>4</sub>-O-acylated intermediate A (Chart 2) [5,6]. In continuation of such type of investigation, we undertook the synthesis of the 4H-1,3,4-oxadiazino[5,6-b]-

quinoxalines 7 from 6-chloro-2-(1-methylhydrazino)-quinoxaline 4-oxide 8. Namely, compound 8 would be acetylated with acetic anhydride to change into an intermediate B, which is converted into compound 7a. This paper describes the synthesis of the 2-methyl- and 2-trifluoromethyl-4H-1,3,4-oxadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxalines 7a,b from compound 8 together with the conversion of the 2-trifluoromethyl-4H-1,3,4-oxadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxaline 7b into the 2-trifluoromethyl-4H-1,3,4-thiadiazino[5,6-b]-quinoxaline 12.

The reaction of 6-chloro-2-(1-methylhydrazino)quinoxaline 4-oxide 8 with acetic anhydride gave 8-chloro-2,4-dimethyl-4H-1,3,4-oxadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxaline 7a presumably via intermediates B and C (Scheme 1). Compound 7a was obtained in a low yield (23%), so that we examined the reaction of compound 8 with acetic anhydride/pyridine or acetic anhydride/acetic acid. However, this reaction afforded 3-(2,2-diacetyl-1-methylhydrazino)-7-chloro-2-oxo-1,2-dihydroquinoxaline 9, instead of compound 7a, via

intermediates **D-F** (Scheme 2a) or *via* intermediates **B-G** (Scheme 2b). The diacetylation of  $C_2$ -(1-methylhydrazino) group under the above reaction condition would prevent the construction of the 1,3,4-oxadiazine ring (Scheme 2a). On the other hand, an attack of acetoxy anion to the the  $C_3$ -carbon prior to the second acetylation of the  $C_2$ -(2-acetyl-1-methylhydrazino) group in an intermediate **B** (Scheme 2b) would provide an intermediate **G**, and subsequent migration of the acetyl group to the  $C_2$ -(2-acetyl-1-methylhydrazino) group affords compound **9**. Accordingly, we selected the efficient route as shown in Scheme 3.

The reaction of compound 8 with acetic anhydride in dioxane or with trifluoroacetic anhydride in chloroform gave 2-(2-acetyl-1-methylhydrazino)-6-chloroquinoxaline 4-oxide 10a or 6-chloro-2-(1-methyl-2-trifluoroacetylhydrazino)quinoxaline 4-oxide 10b, respectively, whose reaction with phosphoryl chloride provided compound 7a or 8-chloro-4-methyl-2-trifluoromethyl-4*H*-1,3,4-oxadiazino[5,6-*b*]quinoxaline 7b, respectively.

Scheme 1

Scheme 2b

produced 8-chloro-4-methyl-2-trifluoromethyl-4H-1,3,4-thiadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxaline 12 (Scheme 4).

The structural assignment of new compounds 7a,b and 9-12 were based on the analytical and spectral data. In the nmr spectral data for compound 9, the acetyl methyl protons were observed at  $\delta$  2.34 ppm (6H), and acetyl methyl carbon and acetyl carbonyl carbon were observed at  $\delta$  25.3 and 171.8 ppm, respectively (Chart 3). Moreover, the  $N_1$ -methylation of compound 9 gave 3-(2-acetyl-1-methylhydrazino)-7-chloro-1-methyl-2-oxo-1,2-dihydroquinoxaline 13 (Scheme 5). The nmr (NOE and C-H coupling) spectral data of compound 9 (Chart 3) and compound 13 (Chart 4) supported the respective structural assignment. In the nmr (NOE and C-H coupling) spectral data for compound 11 (Chart 5), the chemical shift due to the  $C_2$ =S ( $\delta$  169.1 ppm) and

Scheme 3

Furthermore, the reaction of compound 7b with phosphorus pentasulfide gave 7-chloro-3-(1-methyl-2-trifluoroacetylhydrazino)-2-thioxo-1,2-dihydroquinoxaline 11, whose reaction with sulfuric acid in acetic acid

Scheme 4

CI CF3

P<sub>2</sub>S<sub>5</sub>

in Pyridine

The CF3

H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>

in AcOH

CI CF3

Me

H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>

11

#### Chart 4

Scheme 5

trifluoroacetyl C=O ( $\delta$  154.3 ppm) carbons excluded the structure **J** (Chart 6).

#### **EXPERIMENTAL**

All melting points were determined on a Yazawa micro melting point BY-2 apparatus and are uncorrected. The ir spectra (potassium bromide) were recorded with a JASCO IRA-1 spectrophotometer. The nmr spectra were measured with a Varian XL-400 spectrometer at 400 MHz. The chemical shifts are given in the  $\delta$  scale. The mass spectra (ms) were determined with a JEOL JMS-01S spectrometer. Elemental analyses were performed on a Perkin-Elmer 240B instrument.

8-Chloro-2,4-dimethyl-4H-1,3,4-oxadiazino[5,6-b]quinoxaline 7a. From the Reaction of Compound 8 with Acetic Anhydride.

A solution of compound 8 (2 g) in acetic anhydride (50 ml) was refluxed in an oil bath for 2 hours. Evaporation of the solvent *in vacuo* gave yellow crystals 7a, which were collected by suction filtration. Recrystallization from N,N-dimethylformamide/ ethanol afforded yellow needles (0.50 g, 23%), mp 162-163°; ir: v cm<sup>-1</sup> 3060, 1675, 1615, 1585, 1550, 1510; ms: m/z 248 (M<sup>+</sup>), 250 (M<sup>+</sup> + 2); pmr: (deuteriodimethyl sulfoxide): 7.42 (dd, J = 2.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H, C<sub>9</sub>-H), 7.39 (dd, J = 8.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-H), 7.35 (dd, J = 8.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H, C<sub>7</sub>-H), 3.13 (s, 3H, NCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.92 (s, 3H, C<sub>7</sub>-CH<sub>4</sub>).

Anal. Caled. for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>9</sub>ClN<sub>4</sub>O: C, 53.13; H, 3.65; Cl, 14.26; N, 22.53. Found: C, 53.02; H, 3.68; Cl, 14.56; N, 22.41.

From the Reaction of Compound 10a with Phosphoryl Chloride.

A suspension of compound 10a (5 g) in phosphoryl chloride (100 ml) was refluxed in an oil bath for 30 minutes to give a clear solution. Evaporation of phosphoryl chloride afforded yellow crystals 7a, which were washed with saturated sodium bicarbonate solution and then collected by suction filtration. Recrystallization from  $N_iN_i$ -dimethylformamide/ethanol/water provided yellow needles (2.79 g, 60%).

3-(2,2-Diacetyl-1-methylhydrazino)-7-chloro-2-oxo-1,2-dihydroquinoxaline 9.

From the Reaction of Compound 8 with Acetic Anhydride/Acetic Acid.

A solution of compound **8** (2 g) in acetic anhydride (30 ml)/acetic acid (20 ml) was refluxed in an oil bath for 2 hours. Evaporation of the solvent *in vacuo* gave crystals, which were triturated with water and then collected by suction filtration. Recrystallization from ethanol afforded colorless crystals **9** (1.70 g, 62%), mp 216-217°; ir: v cm<sup>-1</sup> 1730, 1710, 1670; ms: m/z 308 (M<sup>+</sup>), 310 (M<sup>+</sup> + 2); pmr (deuteriodimethyl sulfoxide): 12.25 (brs, 1H, N<sub>1</sub>-H), 7.49 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H, C<sub>5</sub>-H), 7.20 (dd, J = 9.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-H), 7.19 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, C<sub>8</sub>-H), 3.28 (s, 3H,

NCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.34 (s, 6H, COCH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C-nmr (deuteriodimethyl sulfoxide): 171.8 (acetyl C=O).

Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>13</sub>ClN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 50.58; H, 4.24; Cl, 11.48; N, 18.15. Found: C, 50.65; H, 4.27; Cl, 11.37; N, 18.21.

From the Reaction of Compound 8 with Acetic Anhydride/Pyridine.

A solution of compound 8 (2 g) in acetic anhydride (30 ml)/pyridine (20 ml) was refluxed in an oil bath for 2 hours. Evaporation of the solvent *in vacuo* gave crystals, which were triturated with water and then collected by suction filtration. Recrystallization from ethanol gave colorless needles 9 (2.03 g, 74%).

## 2-(2-Acetyl-1-methylhydrazino)-6-chloroquinoxaline 4-Oxide 10a.

A solution of compound 8 (5 g, 22.3 mmoles), acetic anhydride (2.73 g, 26.8 mmoles), and pyridine (1 ml) in dioxane (100 ml) was refluxed in an oil bath for 30 minutes to precipitate yellow needles 10a. After cooling to room temperature, the yellow needles 10a were collected by suction filtration and then washed with ethanol to give an analytically pure sample (5.22 g). Evaporation of the filtrate *in vacuo* provided additional yellow crystals 10a, which were collected by suction filtration (0.57 g), total yield (5.79 g, 97%).

Compound 10a had mp 278-279°; ir:  $v \text{ cm}^{-1}$  3240, 3200, 1700, 1690; ms: m/z 266 (M<sup>+</sup>), 268 (M<sup>+</sup> + 2); pmr (deuteriotrifluoroacetic acid): 8.99 (s, 1H, C<sub>3</sub>-H), 8.47 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, C<sub>5</sub>-H), 7.91 (dd, J = 2.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H, C<sub>7</sub>-H), 7.86 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H C<sub>8</sub>-H), 3.69 (s, 3H, NCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.32 (s, 3H, COCH<sub>3</sub>).

*Anal.* Calcd. for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>11</sub>ClN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: C, 49.54; H, 4.16; Cl, 13.29; N, 21.01. Found: C, 49.59; H, 4.15; Cl, 13.51; N, 21.16.

6-Chloro-2-(1-methyl-2-trifluoroacetylhydrazino)quinoxaline 4-Oxide 10b.

Trifluoroacetic anhydride (5.63 g, 26.8 mmoles) was added dropwise to a suspension of compound **8** (5 g, 22.3 mmoles) in chloroform (100 ml) under cooling in an ice-water bath to give a clear solution. The solution was heated at 70° for 1 hour to precipitate pale yellow crystals. Evaporation of the solvent *in vacuo* and trituration with sodium bicarbonate solution to neutralize trifluoroacetic acid provided yellow needles **10b**, which were collected by suction filtration and washed with ethanol/water (1:1) to provide analytically pure sample (4.49 g, 63%), mp 221-222°; ir: v cm<sup>-1</sup> 3140, 3100, 2940, 2850, 1740; ms: m/z 320 (M<sup>+</sup>), 322 (M<sup>+</sup> + 2); pmr (deuteriodimethyl sulfoxide): 12.00 (brs, 1H, NH), 8.60 (s, 1H, C<sub>3</sub>-H), 8.23 (dd, J = 0.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H, C<sub>7</sub>-H), 7.76 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H, C<sub>8</sub>-H), 7.75 (d, J = 0.8 Hz, 1H, C<sub>5</sub>-H), 3.34 (s, 3H, NCH<sub>3</sub>).

Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{11}H_8ClF_3N_4O_2$ : C, 41.20; H, 2.51; N, 17.47. Found: C, 41.37; H, 2.66; N, 17.53.

8-Chloro-4-methyl-2-trifluoromethyl-4*H*-1,3,4-oxadiazino-[5,6-*b*]quinoxaline 7b.

A suspension of compound 10b (5 g) in phosphoryl chloride (100 ml) was refluxed in an oil bath for 40 minutes to give a clear solution. Evaporation of phosphoryl chloride in vacuo afforded crystals, which were dissolved in dioxane. The dioxane solution was poured onto crushed ice to precipitate yellow crystals, and addition of saturated sodium bicarbonate solution increased the amount of yellow crystals. The whole yellow crystals were collected by suction filtration, and recrystallization from ethanol/water provided yellow needles 7b (4.20 g, 89%), mp 148-149°; ir: v cm<sup>-1</sup> 3080, 1680; ms: m/z 302 (M+), 304 (M+)

+ 2); pmr (deuteriodimethyl sulfoxide): 7.52 (dd, J = 1.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H,  $C_9$ -H), 7.49 (dd, J = 1.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H,  $C_6$ -H), 7.45 (dd, J = 2.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H,  $C_7$ -H), 3.22 (s, 3H, NCH<sub>3</sub>).

Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>6</sub>ClF<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O: C, 43.66; H, 2.00; N, 18.51. Found: C, 43.83; H, 2.07; N, 18.61.

7-Chloro-3-(1-methyl-2-trifluoroacetylhydrazino)-2-thioxo-1,2-dihydroquinoxaline 11.

A solution of compound **7b** (5 g, 16.5 mmoles) and phosphorus pentasulfide (2.75 g, 24.8 mmoles) in pyridine (100 ml) was refluxed in an oil bath for 1 hour. Evaporation of the solvent *in vacuo* gave an oily product, which was triturated with hot water to give yellow crystals **11** (5.38 g, 87%). Recrystallization from ethanol/water gave yellow needles, mp 256-257°; ir: v cm<sup>-1</sup> 3250, 1720; ms: m/z 336 (M<sup>+</sup>), 338 (M<sup>+</sup> + 2); pmr (deuteriodimethyl sulfoxide): 14.23 (s, 1H, N<sub>1</sub>-H), 11.97 (s, 1H, NH), 7.61 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H, C<sub>5</sub>-H), 7.49 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, C<sub>8</sub>-H), 7.37 (dd, J = 8.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-H), 3.34 (s, 3H, NCH<sub>3</sub>);  $^{13}$ C-nmr (deuteriodimethyl sulfoxide): 169.1 (C=S), 154.3 (trifluoroacetyl C=O).

Anal. Caled. for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>8</sub>ClF<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub>OS: C, 39.24; H, 2.39; N, 16.64; S, 9.52. Found: C, 39.36; H, 2.43; N, 16.79; S, 9.78.

8-Chloro-4-methyl-2-trifluoromethyl-4*H*-1,3,4-thiadiazino-[5,6-*b*]quinoxaline 12.

A solution of compound 11 (1 g) in concentrated sulfuric acid (0.1 ml)/acetic acid (30 ml) was refluxed in an oil bath for 3 hours. Evaporation of the solvent gave an oily product, which was triturated with saturated sodium bicarbonate solution provided orange crystals. Recrystallization from ethanol afforded orange needles 12 (270 mg). Evaporation of the solvent *in vacuo* gave additional orange crystals 12 (60 mg), total yield (330 mg, 35%).

Compound 12 had mp 114-115°; ir:  $v \text{ cm}^{-1}$  1620, 1600, 1570, 1540, 1520; ms: m/z 318 (M+), 320 (M+ + 2); pmr (deuteriodimethyl sulfoxide): 7.84 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-H), 7.75 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, C<sub>9</sub>-H), 7.52 (dd, J = 2.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H, C<sub>7</sub>-H), 4.94 (s, 3H, NCH<sub>3</sub>).

Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>6</sub>ClF<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub>S: C, 41.46; H, 1.90; N, 17.58. Found: C, 41.32; H, 2.14; N, 17.43.

3-(2-Acetyl-1-methylhydrazino)-7-chloro-1-methyl-2-oxo-1,2-dihydroquinoxaline 13.

A suspension of compound 9 (1 g, 3.25 mmoles), 1,8-diazabicyclo[5.4.0]-7-undecene (544 mg, 3.58 mmoles), and methyl iodide (508 mg, 3.58 mmoles) in ethanol (30 ml) was refluxed on a boiling water bath for 1 hour to give a clear solution. The solution was allowed to stand at room temperature to precipitate pale yellow needles 13, which were collected by suction filtration and washed with *n*-hexane to provide analytically pure sample (670 mg, 74%), mp 238-239°; ir:  $v \text{ cm}^{-1}$  3270, 1660; ms: m/z 280 (M<sup>+</sup>), 282 (M<sup>+</sup> + 2); pmr (deuteriodimethyl sulfoxifde): 10.40 (s, 1H, NH), 7.44 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, C<sub>8</sub>-H), 7.43 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H, C<sub>5</sub>-H), 7.25 (dd, J = 2.0, 8.5 Hz, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-H), 3.53 (s, 3H, N<sub>1</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.25 (s, 3H, NCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.82 (s, 3H, COCH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C-nmr (deuteriodimethyl sulfoxide): 168.4 (acetyl C=O).

*Anal.* Calcd. for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>13</sub>ClN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: C, 51.34; H, 4.67; Cl, 12.63; N, 19.96. Found: C, 51.45; H, 4.78; Cl, 12.85; N, 19.83.

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