Experimental Section⁶

2-(4-Chlorophenyl)-7-(2-[1-azacycloheptyl]-1-hydroxyethyl)quinoline (Ie).⁷ 7-Methylquinoline (Ia).—A mixture (62%) of 5- and 7-methylquinolines was obtained by the Richter and Smith modification⁸ of the Skraup reaction, treatment with Ac₂O, and steam distillation. After three partial freezing operations, the solid remaining was recrystallized from C₆H₁₄ to yield :;4.7 g (24%) of white plates, mp 37-39°, lit.⁹ mp 39°.

2-(4-Chlorophenyl)-7-methylquinoline (Ib).—Under N₂ pchlorobromobenzene (0.1 mole) in 500 ml of Et₂O was brought to reflux and 0.1 mole of 22% BuLi solution in C₆H₁₄ added and the exchange allowed to take place for 10 min.¹⁰ Ia (0.1 mole) was added as a solid followed by the immediate addition of 450 ml of C₆H₆. The mixture was refluxed for 20 min, 100 ml of EtOH and 150 ml of C₆H₈NO₂ were added, the volatile solvents removed by distillation, and the red C₆H₅NO₂ solution was refluxed for 20 min followed by steam distillation of the now green solution to remove C₈H₅NO₂. The residue was removed by filtration, washed with hot H₂O, and extracted with CCl₄ and the residue from the extract recrystallized from C₆H₁₂ (decolorizing C) to give 15 g (64%) of white crystals, mp 141-142°; lit.¹¹ mp 143-144°.

2-(4-Chlorophenyl)-7-quinolinecarboxaldehyde (Ic, Sommelet Method).—Ib (0.04 mole), 150 ml of CCl_4 , 0.1 g of I_2 , and 30 ml of H₂O were refluxed and irradiated with a 150-W lamp while 0.044 mole of Br2 in 70 ml of CCl4 was added dropwise in 4 hr. The yellow precipitate (81% of which 72% was the α -bromomethyl compound by nmr analysis) was removed by filtration and washed with CCl₄. The crude product (10.7 g) in 160 ml of CHCl₃ was mixed with $(CH_2)_6N_4$ (0.14 mole) in 160 ml of CHCl₃. After 3 days, the quaternary salt (14 g) was filtered off and washed with CHCl₃. A solution of 0.1 mole of (CH₂)₆N₄, 100 ml of AcOH, 2 ml of concd HCl, and 30 ml of H2O was refluxed while the quaternary salt (0.03 mole) was added portionwise in 6 hr. While hot, the solution was diluted with H₂O to cloudiness and cooled. The crystals were filtered, washed with cold H₂O-EtOH and hot H₂O, and recrystallized from EtOH to yield 2.8 g (26% from Me compound), inp 163-164°. Anal. (C₁₆H₁₀ClNO) С, Н.

2-(4-Chlorophenyl)-7-epoxyethylquinoline (Id).—Under N_2 with magnetic stirring, DMSO (10.8 ml) and NaH (0.0194 mole) were heated at 65° for 45 min and cooled. At -10° , 10.8 ml of THF was added to the black solution and the mixture held there for 30 min and treated with Me₃SI (0.0194 mole) in 20.7 ml of DMSO within 1 min. Ic (0.00972 mole) in 20.7 ml of THF-DMSO was added in 2 min and the green solution stirred at -10° for 15 min and at 25° for 30 min. The mixture was poured over cracked ice and the precipitate filtered, dried, and recrystallized from EtOH (decolorizing C) to give 1.81 g, 66%, of light yellow plates, mp 139.5–141°. Anal. (C₁₇H₁₂ClNO) C, H. Ie.—Id (0.0054 mole) and 17 g of azacycloheptane were heated

Ie.—Id (0.0054 mole) and 17 g of azacycloheptane were heated at 115° for 14 hr and steam-distilled to remove amine. The brown, solid residue was recrystallized from aq EtOH (decolorizing C) to give 1.4 g, 68%, of beige tufts, mp 108.5–109.5°. Anal. ($C_{23}H_{25}CIN_2O$) C, H, N.

2-p-Chlorophenyl-6,8-dichloro-7-(2-dialkylamino-1-hydroxyethyl)quinoline (IIh-1 and -2).¹² 2,6-Dichloro-3-aminotoluene (IIb).—This compound, mp 51-53°, lit.¹³ mp 59-60°, was made in 48% overall yield from 2,6-dichlorotoluene, IIa.

6,8-Dichloro-7-methylquinoline (IIc).—The Skraup reaction⁸ of IIb, 0.3 mole, gave a dark precipitate which was recrystallized first from H_2O -EtOH and then from C_6H_{14} to yield 32 g, 51%, of beige-colored crystals, mp 97.5–98.5°. Anal. ($C_{10}H_7Cl_2N$) Cl.

2-(p-Chlorophenyl-6,8-dichloro-7-methylquinoline (IId).—IId was made from 0.125 mole of IIc by the same method used for preparation of Ib. IId was obtained in 86% yield as beige

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2-p-Chlorophenyl-6,8-dichloro-7-bromomethylquinoline (IIe). —IId (0.1 mole) in 1.3 l. of CCl₄ was refluxed and irradiated with a 150-W flood-lamp while 0.113 mole of N-bromosuccinimide was added portionwise and the final mixture refluxed 15 hr. The CCl₄ was evaporated, and the residue was washed thoroughly (H₂O), dried, and recrystallized from CCl₄ to give 34 g, 80%, of beige, powdery crystals, mp 177-180.5°; analytical sample, mp 180.2-181.2°. Anal. (C₁₆H₉BrCl₅N) C, H.

2-p-Chlorophenyl-6,8-dichloro-7-quinolinecarboxaldehyde (IIf).—IIe (0.08 mole) was treated with 0.08 mole each of NaOEt and Me₂CHNO₂ in EtOH according to the method of Hass and Bender¹⁴ and gave, after recrystallization from EtOAc 16.3 g (60%) of pale yellow crystals, mp 199–201.5°; analytical sample, mp 200–201°. Anal. ($C_{16}H_{18}Cl_{3}NO$) Cl.

2-*p*-Chlorophenyl-6,8-dichloro-7-epoxyethylquinoline (IIg).— IIg was made in the same manner as Id from 0.05 mole of IIf. The residue from Et₂O extraction was chromatographed on silica gel (Baker's) using $C_6H_{14}-C_6H_6$ as an eluting solvent. Early fractions indicated by tlc that a pure substance was being eluted (R_t 0.34, 50% $C_6H_6-C_6H_{14}$) which recrystallized from MeCN gave 6.5 g, 38%, of pale yellow crystals, mp 159–161°; analytical sample, mp 162.1–16.24°. Anal. ($C_{17}H_{10}Cl_3NO$) Cl.

2-p-Chlorophenyl-6,8-dichloro-7-(2-dibutylamino-1-hydroxyethyl)quinoline (IIh-1).—IIg (0.00856 mole) in 20 ml of Bu₂NH was heated and stirred at 115° for 19 hr and the excess amine removed by steam distillation. The residue was chromatographed on silica gel using C_6H_6 -EtOAc as the developing solvent. When the eluted solute was pure (R_t 0 with C_6H_6 ; R_t 0.2-0.3 with C_6H_6 -EtOAc), it was recovered and recrystallized from C_6H_{14} giving 2.1 g, 51%, of yellow crystals, mp 80-82.8°. Anal. ($C_{25}H_{26}Cl_3N_2O$) C, H, Cl.

2-p-Chlorophenyl-6,8-dichloro-7-(2-[N-3-azabicyclo[3.2.2]nonyl]-1-hydroxyethyl)quinoline (IIh-2).—IIg (0.0088 mole) and 3-azabicyclo[3.3.2] nonane¹⁵ (0.0177 mole) in 20 ml of toluene were refluxed 24 hr and then steam distilled. The residue was chromatographed using silica gel and C₆H₆-EtOAc. A second chromatography was necessary using C₆H₆-20% EtOAc. The solute was recrystallized from C₆H₁₄ giving 0.2 g of light yellow needles, mp 169–173°, R_1 0.46 (C₆H₆ and silica gel); not tested for activity because of small sample size. Anal. (C₂₅H₂₅Cl₃N₂O)C, H, Cl.

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Quinoxaline Studies. XVII.^{1a} Potential Antimalarials. Some (RS)-α-(Dialkylaminomethyl)-6chloro-2-quinoxalinemethanols^{1b}

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Previously reported² quinoxalinemethanols, similar to antimalarial quinolinemethanols, were without antimalarial activity. Because a chloro substituent in-

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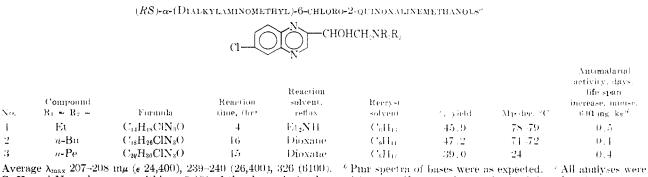


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* Average λ_{\max} 207-208 mµ (ϵ 24,400), 239-240 (26,400), 326 (6100). * Pmr spectra of bases were as expected. * All analyses were for C, H, and N; values were within $\pm 0.4\%$ of the theoretical values. * Average life spin of control mice infected with *P. berghci*, 6.2 days.

creases the activity of many quinolinemethanols,³ it was hoped that chloroquinoxalinemethanols would also possess antimalarial capacity. The purpose of this paper is to report the syntheses of representative (RS)- α -(dialkylaminomethyl)-6-chloro-2-quinoxalinemethanols, incorporating diethylamino, di-*n*-butylamino, and di-*n*-pentylamino groups, for testing as antimalarials.

Chemistry.—Prior success² in transforming 2-quinoxalinecarboxylic acid into 2-quinoxalinemethanols justified developing first a procedure for making large quantities of 6-chloro-2-quinoxalinecarboxylic acid (4) for use in attaining the objective of this project.

The availability of 4-chloro-o-phenylenediamine (1) dictated its utilization for the preparation of 2-tetrahydroxylbutyl-6-chloroquinoxaline (2). Unfortunately. the facile condensation of *o*-phenylenediamine with sucrose earlier reported⁴ to give 2-tetrahydroxybutylquinoxaline was not paralleled in this instance; 2(and its 7-chloro isomer, 3) was first prepared by cyclizing the N_iN' -diglucosyl derivative of **1**. More usefully, direct condensation of 1 with glucose (and also fructose) in the necessary presence of H₂NNH₂, HOAc. and H_2O gave a 1:1 mixture of 2 and 3. Condensation of 1 with N-D-glucosyl-p-toluidine, according to a general procedure of Weygand and Bergmann," also gave mixed 2(3). All attempts, physical or chemical, to separate 2 from 3 failed.

Therefore, oxidation of the mixed isomers was effected with Na_2O_2 in a heterogeneous $C_6H_6-H_2O$ system. Fortunately the 1:1 mixture of 6-chloro-2-quinoxalineearboxylic acid (4) and its 7-chloro isomer (5) was separable; 4 was insoluble, 5 moderately soluble (ca. 1 g/50 ml) in 9 N HCl.

Henseke and Jacobi⁶ described the unequivocal, but lengthy, preparation of 2-methyl-6-chloroquinoxaline. Modification of a portion of their work enabled relatively easy preparation of pure 2-methyl-6-chloroquinoxaline which, oxidized via its styryl derivative, gave unequivocal 4; the structure of 5 was therefore proved by difference.

The decision to use 4 as the precursor for the target chloroquinoxalinemethanols was the consequence of the observation that although both 4 and 5 were inactive as antimalarials, careful scrutiny of the test data showed **5** extended the mean life of test mice only 0.1 day, whereas **4** extended the mean life of test mice 0.9 day at dosages of 160 mg/kg.

From this point the desired synthetic objective was attained via the sequence 6-chloro-2-quinoxaloyl chloride (6), 6-chloro-2-diazoacetylquinoxaline (not isolated) (7), 6-chloro-2-chloroacetylquinoxaline (8), (RS)- α -(chloromethyl)-6-chloro-2-quinoxalinemethanol (not analyzed) (9), (RS)-6-chloro-2-quinoxalinepoxyethane (10), and (RS)- α -(dialkylaminomethyl)-6-chloro-2-quinoxalinemethanols (11).

The procedures used to prepare the above compounds were the same as those utilized for making the corresponding nonsubstituted quinoxalines,² except that compounds **11** were solids, easily purified, analyzed, and tested as free bases, rather than (as were the parent compounds) the pamoate salts. For the same reasons discussed in the prior paper,² utilization of the pmr spectra of **10** and **11** contributed to a successful chemical conclusion of this problem.

Table I summarizes data re the target compounds.

Biological Results. All compounds were tested by the previously described procedure⁷ for antimalarial activity against *Plasmodium berghei* in mice. All intermediates and target compounds were inactive and nontoxic. Data are recorded in Table I.

Experimental Section⁸

N,N'-Di-D-glucosyl-3,4-diaminochlorobenzene Dihemihydrate. --A mixture of 36 g of D-glucose, 14.2 g of 3,4-diaminochlorobenzene, 0.2 g of NH₄Cl, and 300 ml of MeOH was stirred and refluxed for 1 hr. After cooling at 0° for 4 hr, 31 g (60.5%) of tun powder, mp 150-151°, was obtained. The crude material was recrystallized from three times from 1:1 MeOH-H₂O (7 ml g) to give 9.7 g (18.9%): mp 156-157° dec, of product; $\lambda_{max} 216 \text{ mµ}$ (ϵ 33,200), 249 (10,200), 299 (3200); [α]^{23.5}D = 128.6° (c 2, DMF). Anal. (C₁₈H₂₇ClN₂O₁₀·2.5 H₂O) C, H.

2-D-Arabinotetrahydroxybutyl-6(7)-chloroquinoxalines (2, 3). **Method A.**—A solution of 4.66 g of N_*N' -di-D-glucosyl-3,4diaminochlorobenzene, 0.32 g of N₂H₄, and 50 ml of 10% HOAr

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was boiled for 30 min, cooled at 10° for 6 hr, and filtered to give 0.6 g (23.2%) of **2** (**3**), mp 178–179°. The crude product was recrystallized from 95% EtOH (50 ml/g) to give 0.3 g (11.6%): mp 181–181.5°; λ_{max} 210 m μ (ϵ 14,800), 239 (20,300), 323 (4600); [α]²⁵D - 129.2° (c 2, DMF). Anal. (C₁₂H₁₃ClN₂O₄) C, H, Cl, N.

Method B.—A solution of 14.3 g of 1, 18 g of glucose, 21.7 ml of HOAc, 4.8 ml of N₂H₄, and 100 ml of H₂O was refluxed 1 hr, then cooled 4 hr at 10° to give 7.5 g (26.5%), mp 171–177°, of crude 2(3).

Recrystallization gave 7 g (24.5%), mp 180.5–181° dec, of **2** (**3**); nv and $[\alpha]$, as above. All attempts to separate **2** and **3** failed.

Condensation of fructose with 1 gave 26.4% of 2 (3); of *N*-D-glncosyl-*p*-toluidine with 1 gave 22% of 2(3); 2 (3) has also been reported^{9,10} synthesized by reaction of 1 with fructose-1-phenyl-hydrazone.

6(7)-Chloro-2-quinoxalinecarboxylic Acids (4, 5).—To a stirred cold suspension of 40 g of Na₂O₂ (98.4%) in 135 ml of H₂O and 135 ml of C₆H₆ was added 28.4 g of 2 (3). The mixture was heated to 50°, at which temp spontaneous reaction occurred; its temperature was maintained at $60 \pm 2^{\circ}$ for 65 min by intermittent cooling or heating; finally the mixture was refluxed (72°) for 10 min. After cooling to 15°, the suspension of crude Na salts of 4 and 5 was transformed into the mixed products in 66% yield in the same way as was the parent compound,² then twice recrystallized from 1:1 EtOH-H₂O (30 ml/g): 37.2%; mp 196-198° dec; λ_{max} 242 m μ (ϵ 25,000), 320 (3600), 331 (4500). Anal. (C₉H₆-ClN₂O₂) C, H, Cl, N.

6-Chloro-2-quinoxalinecarboxylic Acid (4), Equivocal Preparation.—Crude, mixed 4 and 5 (80 g) was extracted three times at 24° for 16-hr intervals with 1 l. portions of 9 N HCl, each time separating solid from supernatant liquid by centrifugation. The final HCl-insoluble residue was filtered, rinsing the cake with 9 N HCl and H₂O. The filter cake of crude 4 was dissolved with warming in 1.5 l. of 0.15 N NaOH, and after clarification with decolorizing C and filter aid, the filtrate was adjusted to pH 1 with HCl to precipitate 32.4 g (40.5%), mp 223-224° dec, of pure 4. For analysis material was recrystallized (66% recovery) from 95% EtOH (30 ml/g); same melting point; λ_{max} 209 m μ (ϵ 24,000), 245 (32,100), 320 (4500), 331 (7800). Anal. (C₉H₅-ClN₂O₂) C, H, Cl N.

Methyl 6-Chloro-2-quinoxalinecarboxylate, Equivocal.—A solution of 3 g of 4 in 30 ml of MeOH and 0.5 ml of H₂SO₄ was refluxed 3 hr, cooled at 0° for 3 hr, filtered, and triturated with H₂O-NaHCO₃ to give 3.2 g (100%), mp 147.5–148.5°, of Me ester of 4. This material was twice recrystallized from CCl4 (10 ml/g) to give 2.1 g (65.6%) of product; mp 147.5–148.5°; $\lambda_{max} 208 \text{ m}\mu (\epsilon 24,600), 247 (34,600), 321 (6600), 331 (7600); pmr (CDCl₃) \delta ppm 4.13 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 8.05 (m, 3 H, aromatic), 9.69 (s, 1 H, heterocyclic). Anal. (C₁₀H₇ClN₃O₂) C, H, Cl, N.$

Saponification of recrystallized Me ester of 4 gave 4 of the same melting point and mixture melting point above.

7-Chloro-2-quinoxalinecarboxylic Acid (5), Equivocal.—The HCl extracts rich in 5 (vide supra) were brought to pH 1 with NH₄OH, and after 12 hr at 0° were filtered. The first two HCl extracts of mixed 4 and 5 each gave 25% recovery (40 g total) from the starting mixture of 4 and 5. Further HCl extracts had very little material dissolved in them; any present was recyclized with starting material, crude 4(5).

Crude 5(40 g) was refluxed in 400 ml of MeOH and 6 ml of H₂SO₄ for 3 hr; the crude ester was filtered from the cold solution, triturated with 400 ml of saturated NaHCO₃, then with 400 ml of H₂O to give 32.8 g of tan crystals, mp 151–152°. One recrystallization of this material from hot CCl₄, with treatment with decolorizing C and filter aid, gave 28.4 g of white crystals, mp 153–154°. The melting point was not changed with further recrystallizations.

The Me ester of **5** was saponified by refluxing 28.4 g in 320 ml of 1 N NaOH for 1 hr. Upon cooling, the Na salt of **5** precipitated from the basic solution. After adding 200 ml of warm H_2O , the solution was decolorized, filtered, and brought to pH **1** to give 26.4 g (33% recovery) from the original **4**(**5**) mixture, mp 223-224° dec.

For analysis 5 was recrystallized three times from MeOH (20 ml/g) (30% recovery), mp 225.5-226.5° dec. As with 4, however, rate of heating and temperature at which a melting point

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sample was inserted into the melting point bath, gave values as low as $220-221^{\circ}$ dec; mmp of 4 and 5, $203.5-204^{\circ}$ dec; $\lambda_{max} 209 \text{ m}\mu$ ($\epsilon 24,500$), 243 (30,900), 331 (4600). Anal. (C₉H₃ClN₂O₂) C, H, Cl, N.

Methyl 7-chloro-2-quinoxalinecarboxylate had mp 153-154°; $\lambda_{max} 209 \text{ m}\mu \ (\epsilon 24,400), 245 \ (37,700), 310 \ (3700), 334 \ (4500); \text{ pmr} (CDCl_3) \delta \text{ ppm } 4.20 \ (s, 3 \text{ H, CH}_3), 8.15 \ (m, 3 \text{ H, aromatic}), 9.69 \ (s, 1 \text{ H, heterocyclic}); mixture melting point with pure Me ester of 4, mp 119-128°. Anal. (C₁₀H₁ClN₂O₂) C, H, Cl, N.$

Saponification of a sample of Me ester of 5 gave 5 of the same melting point and mixture melting point as cited above.

This same procedure of esterification was used upon a sample of crude, mixed 4(5) to give 69.5% tan mixed esters, mp $117-125^{\circ}$; solution in CHCl₃, decolorization, and evaporation of the solvent gave 66.5% colorless mixed esters, mp $119-130^{\circ}$.

It was concluded, therefore, that condensation of glucose with 3,4-diaminochlorobenzene gave ca. a 1:1 mixture of 2 and 3, and that this mixture of isomers upon oxidation gave ca. a 1:1 mixture of 4 and 5.

2-Methyl-6-chloroquinoxaline.-The preparation of this compound was adapted from Henseke and Jacobi.⁶ A solution of 14.3 g of 1, 16.8 ml of 12 N HCl, and 20 ml of MeCOCHO–H $_2\mathrm{O}$ (30%, tech) in 175 ml of H₂O was stirred at 80° for 20 min, 1 hr at 24°, and 12 hr at 0° to give 7.7 g (43.2%) of red crystals, mp 110–120°. This product⁶ contained *ca*. 90% of 2-methyl-6chloroquinoxaline and 10% of the 7-chloro isomer. For isolation of pure 6-chloro isomer from the reaction mixture, the crude product was steam distilled (100 ml of H_2O/g) to give 6.3 g (35.4%), mp 128-133°, which twice recrystallized from 1:2.5 EtOH-H₂O (35 ml/g), gave 4.6 g (25.8%) of white crystals, mp 133-134° (lit.⁶ mp 131°; 7-Cl isomer, mp 91°). Repeated steam distillation and recrystallization did not change the melting point of the product: pmr (CDCl_3) δ ppm 2.74 (s, 3 H, CH_3), 7.75 (m, 3 H, aromatic), 8.75 (s, 1 H, heterocyclic). The splitting pattern of the aromatic H of this product was similar to that of the aromatic H of the Me ester of 4, dissimilar to that of the Me ester of 5.

trans- β -(6-Chloro-2-quinoxalinyl)styrene.—A mixture of 17.9 g of 2-methyl-6-chloroquinoxaline, 32 ml of PhCHO, 33.2 ml of Ac₂O, and 1.12 g of powdered NaOH was stirred at 125° for 4 hr. After cooling, 250 ml of H₂O was added, and the pH of the mixture was brought to pH 9 with solid K_2CO_3 . The red oil was extracted into 300 ml of CCl₄, which was washed four times with 100-ml portions of 10% K₂CO₃, and three times with H₂O. After concentration, the crude product was steam distilled (H_2O , 650 ml) to remove starting materials, leaving a red, solid residue which was dissolved in 250 ml of $CHCl_3$. Washing with 10%K₂CO₃, H₂O, drying (MgSO₄), clarification (decolorizing C and filter aid), filtration, and concentration gave a red solid which was recrystallized from CCl₄ (100 ml) to give 7.71 g (28.9%) of powder, mp 143.5–145°. The crude product was three times recrystallized from 95% EtOH (50 ml/g) to give 6.08 g (22.8%) of orange crystals: mp 144.5–145°; λ_{max} 209 m μ (ϵ 25,700), 245 (10,800), 285 (19,500), 297 (19,500), 308 (inf); ir (Nujol) 1000 cm⁻¹ (hence trans), no cis peaks; pmr (CDCl₃), δ ppm 7.78 (m, 10 H, aromatic, vinylic), 9.07 (s, 1 H, heterocyclic). Anal. $(C_{16}H_{11}ClN_2)$ C, H, Cl, N.

6-Chloro-2-quinoxalinecarboxylic Acid (4), Unequivocal Preparation.—Over 90 min 4.4 g of KMnO₄ was added at 0° to a suspension of 2.67 g of trans- β -(6-chloro-2-quinoxalinyl)styrene in 95 ml of Me₂CO; the mixture was stirred 24 hr at 24°, filtered, and rinsed with AcMe. The filter cake was repeatedly washed with 400 ml of boiling H₂O, and after clarification the filtrate was brought to pH 2 with dilute H₂SO₄ to give 2.09 g (100%) of 4, mp 220-220.5° dec, mmp with 4, equivocally prepared, 221° dec.

Me ester (90%), mp 147.5-148° had mmp with Me ester of equivocal 4, mp 147.5-148°, pmr spectrum, as above.

Compounds 6 through 11 were prepared by reported procedures,² and include per cent yield, mp, and (where different than expected) recrystn solvent, and spectral data. All analyses were for C, H, Cl, N, and were within $\pm 0.4\%$ of theory.

6-Chloro-2-quinoxaloyl chloride (6) was obtained in 75% yield, mp $103-103.5^{\circ}$.

7-Chloro-2-quinoxaloyl chloride was obtained in 66% yield: 122.5–123.5°; λ_{max} (hexane) 220 m μ (ϵ 9800), 248 (34,400), 253 (37,000), 299 (5300), 310 (5100), 338 (3400).

6-Chloro-2-chloroacetylquinoxaline (8) was obtained in 66% yield: mp 151.5–152° dec, Me₂CO–H₂O; $\lambda_{max} 212 \text{ m}\mu$ (ϵ 11,600), 243 (16,200), 254 (15,300), 326 (8200), 339 (6200).

 $(RS)-\alpha$ -(Chloromethyl)-6-chloro-2-quinoxalinemethanol (9)

was obtained in 42% yield, mp $95.5-95^\circ$; unstable; not analyzed; transformed into **10** at once.

(RS)-6-Chloro-2-quinoxalineepoxyethane (10) was obtained in 70% yield, ligroin (bp 66-75°), 93-94°.

(RS)- α -(Di-n-alkylaminomethyl)-6-chloro-2-quinoxalinemethanols (11).—Data in Table I.

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Synthesis and Antimicrobial Activity of 5,7-Dichloroquinoline-8-thiol and Its Derivatives

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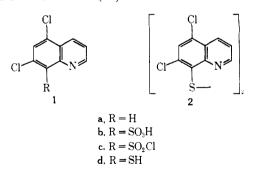
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8-Hydroxyquinoline (oxine) and several of its derivatives are effective against Gram-positive and Gramnegative bacteria, and pathogenic fungi. In addition, halogenated 8-quinolinols are active against protozoa. Albert, et al.,¹ determined the minimal bacteriostatic concentrations of 8-quinolinol, 5-chloro-8-quinolinol, 7-chloro-8-quinolinol, and 5,7-dichloro-8-quinolinol, and showed that the chloro derivatives were superior to oxine against certain organisms.

Certain derivatives of the thio analog of 5,7-dichloro-8-quinolinol have now been prepared, and their bacteriostatic actions against various organisms determined. Although the tendency of 5,7-dichloroquinoline-8-thiol itself to undergo oxidation to the disulfide appears to be less than that of quinoline-8-thiol, under the test conditions considerable oxidation occurred, both with the dichlorothiol and also with its Na salt.

Chemistry.—5,7-Dichloroquinoline (**1a**) was prepared by the method of Elderfield and Kreuger,² and converted into its 8-sulfonyl chloride (**1c**) either by direct chlorosulfonation or indirectly by the action of PCl_5 on the 8-sulfonic acid (**1b**). Reduction of the sulfonyl



chloride with SnCl_2 in concd HCl gave tin 5,7-dichloroquinoline-8-thiolate, which in the presence of NaOH and I_2 yielded 5,7-dichloro-8-quinolyl disulfide (**2**). Alkaline reduction of the disulfide gave 5,7-dichloroquinoline-8-thiol (**1d**). The pmr spectrum of 5,7-dichloroquinoline displayed a doublet at τ 1.97, attributable³ to the 8 proton *meta* coupled to the 6 proton (J = 2 Hz). That chlorosulfonation had proceeded in the 8 position was confirmed by the absence of the 8 proton in the spectrum of the sulfonyl chloride, and presence of the 6 proton as a singlet.

Attempts to synthesize the 5,7-dichloroquinoline-8thiol system by chlorination of quinoline-8-thiol, its benzoate or 8-quinolyldisulfide proved unsuccessful, and these reactions are under further investigation.

Biological Evaluation.—The antimicrobial activities of 5,7-dichloroquinoline-S-thiol and several related compounds were screened against both Gram-positive and Gram-negative bacteria, and yeasts. The following organisms were utilized: *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Bacillus cereus*, *Streptococcus faecalis* (Gram-positive), *Escherichia coli*, *Pseudomonas acruginosa* (Gram-negative), *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*, and *Candida albicans* (yeasts).

The compounds were dissolved in DMSO and added to nutrient agar (for bacteria) and sabouraud agar (for yeasts) to give a concentration range of 200-6.25 μ g/ml. The organisms were streaked onto the surface of the agar plate and minimum inhibiting concentration recorded after 24 and 48 hr. S-Quinolinol was screened as a control.

The results (see Table I) indicate a broad spectrum for tin 5,7-dichloroquinoline-8-thiolate, while showing its antimicrobial activity to be less than that of 8quinolinol under the evaluation conditions applied.

Experimental Section⁴

5,7-Dichloroquinoline-8-sulfonic Acid.—A solution of 5,7dichloroquinoline (3 g) in 25% oleum (15 ml) was heated at 140° for 40 hr, then added dropwise to crushed ice (50 g). The pptd acid was filtered, washed with H₂O, and recrystd from H₂O to give the sulfonic acid (3.25 g) as prisms, mp 300°. Anal. (C₂H₃Cl₂NO₃S) C, H, N.

5,7-Dichloroquinoline-8-sulfonyl Chloride (a).—The temperature of an intimately ground mixture of 5,7-dichloroquinoline-8-sulfonic acid (1 g) and PCl₅ (1.2 g) was gradually increased to 160°, then held there for 1 hr. POCl₃ was distd and the residue was added portionwise to crushed ice (20 g). The mixture was ground up and extracted (C₆H₆) and the extract was washed successively with aq NaHCO₃ and H₂O, then dried, and evaporated. Recrystallization of the residue from EtOAc gave product (0.5 g) as prisms: mp 140-141°; pmr (CDCl₃) τ 0.34 (quadruplec, J = 4.5 and 1.7 Hz) (H₂), 1.27 (quadruplet, J = 8.5 and 1.7 Hz) (H₄), 2.17 (H₆), 2.25 (quadruplet, J = 8.5 and 4.5 Hz) (H₃) ppm. Anal. (C₆H₄Cl₃NO₂S) C, H, N.

(b).—A solution of 5,7-dichloroquinoline (10 g) in chlorosulfonic acid (30 ml) was heated at 140° for 40 hr then cooled and added dropwise with stirring to crushed ice (250 g). The mixture was filtered and the residue was washed (H₂O), then triturated with 5% aq NaHCO₃, and refiltered. Recrystallization of the dried residue from EtOAc gave a product (6.2 g), identical with the above sample.

Tin 5,7-Dichloroquinoline-8-thiolate.—A solution of $SnCl_2$ · 2H₂O (12 g) in coned HCl (25 ml) was added at 0° to a solution of 5,7-dichloroquinoline-8-sulfonyl chloride (4 g) in coned HCl (25 ml). The yellow ppt was stirred at 0° for 1 hr then allowed to stand overnight at 0° before filtration. The residue was triturated with H₂O and the ppt (3.6 g) was filtered, and re-

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