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Quinone Imines with a Fused Azine Ring: II.* Reaction of 5-(*p*-Tolylsulfonylimino)quinoline-8(5*H*)-ones with Sodium *p*-Toluenesulfinate

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Abstract—Depending on the substituent in the 7-position, 5-(p-tolylsulfonylimino)quinoline-8(5H)-ones react with sodium *p*-toluenesulfinate in acetic acid along three different pathways: 1,4- or 6,1-addition or nucleo-philic substitution.

In the preceding communication [1] we reported on hitherto unknown 5-arylsulfonyliminoquinolin-8-ones. Using 5-(p-tolylsulfonylimino)quinolin-8(5H)-one (I) as an example, we considered methods of synthesis of such compounds and found that it reacts with hydrogen chloride following the 1,4-addition pattern to give 7-chloro derivative II as the corresponding hydrochloride (Scheme 1). It should be noted that reactions of N-substituted quinone imines with chloride ion (which is a hard nucleophile) involve intermediate formation of mono- and diprotonated substrate species [2, 3] and that arenesulfinate ion as a mild nucleophile reacts directly with the neutral substrate via oneelectron transfer [4].

The goal of the present work was to examine the reaction of 5-(p-tolylsulfonylimino)quinolin-8(5H)ones with sodium p-toluenesulfinate. Treatment of quinone imine I with sodium *p*-toluenesulfinate dihydrate in glacial acetic acid afforded 8-hydroxy-7-(p-tolylsulfonyl)-5-(p-tolylsulfonylamino)quinoline (III). The position of the second tosyl group was determined by a series of consecutive transformations of the product. Oxidation of III with (diacetoxyiodo)benzene in acetic acid gave unstable 7-(p-tolylsulfonyl)-5-(p-tolylsulfonylimino)quinolin-8(5H)-one (A), which was treated in situ with an equimolar amount of sodium *p*-toluenesulfinate dihydrate to obtain the terminal addition product, 8-hydroxy-7-(p-tolylsulfonyl)-5-[bis(p-tolylsulfonyl)amino]quinoline (IV) (Scheme 1).

Taking into account that quinone imines I and V are fairly readily soluble in acetic acid, in order to increase the yields of compounds III and IV we propose a procedure according to which sodium *p*-toluenesulfinate dihydrate is added directly to a solution of freshly prepared quinone imine in acetic acid.

Our results led us to the following conclusions: (1) 5-(*p*-tolylsulfonylimino)quinolin-8(5H)-one having no substituents in positions 6 and 7 reacts with sodium *p*-toluenesulfinate in acetic acid according to the 1,4-addition pattern with formation of the corresponding 7-substituted dihydro derivative; (2) the chlorine atom in 7-chloro-5-(*p*-tolylsulfonylimino)-quinolin-8(5H)-one is readily replaced by *p*-tolylsulfonyl group; and (3) the presence of a tosyl group in position 7 of 5-(*p*-tolylsulfonylimino)quinolin-8(5H)-one gives rise to formation of the 6,1-addition product

Oxidation of hydrochloride II with (diacetoxyiodo)benzene in acetic acid (after preliminary treatment of the reaction mixture with an equivalent amount of anhydrous sodium acetate) led to formation of 7-chloro-5-(p-tolylsulfonylimino)quinolin-8(5H)one (V). The latter reacted with sodium p-toluenesulfinate dihydrate, regardless of the reactant ratio, yielding the substitution-addition product (nucleophilic substitution of the 7-chlorine atom was followed by terminal addition) which was identical to compound IV. We failed to detect intermediate substitution product A by chromatography, though analogous products of chlorine replacement in 2-chloro-4-arylsulfonyliminonaphthalen-1(4H)-ones were isolated [5, 6]. The structure of compounds III-V was confirmed by elemental analysis and ¹H NMR and IR spectroscopy.

^{*} For communication I, see [1].



in the reaction with *p*-toluenesulfinate ion. The above chemical transformations are important from the synthetic viewpoint, for they open the way to difficultly accessible 7-arylsulfonyl-substituted quinoline derivatives.

EXPERIMENTAL

The IR spectra were recorded on a UR-20 instrument from samples pelleted with KBr. The ¹H NMR spectra were obtained on a Varian VXR-300 spectrometer (299.945 MHz) from 5% solutions in DMSO- d_6 using TMS as internal reference. The purity of the products was checked by TLC on Silufol plates using CHCl₃–MeOH–NH₃ (100:10:1) or CHCl₃– MeOH–AcOH (100:10:1) as eluent, development with UV light (compounds **III** and **IV**); or on Al₂O₃ plates with ethyl acetate as eluent (compound **V**).

8-Hydroxy-7-(*p***-tolylsulfonyl)-5-(***p***-tolylsulfonylamino)quinoline (III). Sodium** *p***-toluenesulfinate dihydrate, 1.1 g (5.1 mmol), was added with stirring to a suspension of quinone imine I**, prepared from 1.5 g (4.3 mmol) of 8-hydroxy-5-(*p*-tolylsulfonylamino)quinoline hydrochloride [1], in 25 ml of glacial acetic acid. The mixture was stirred for 45 min, and the finely crystalline precipitate was filtered off, washed with glacial acetic acid and hexane, and dried at 55– 60°C. Yield 1.9 g [94%, calculated on the initial 8-hydroxy-5-(*p*-tolylsulfonylamino)quinoline hydrochloride); bright yellow powder, mp 228–229°C (decomp., from AcOH. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 1320, 1160 (SO₂); 3245 (NH). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm: 2.379 s (3H, 4-CH₃C₆H₄N), 2.411 s (3H, 4-CH₃-C₆H₄C), 7.376 s (1H, 6-H), 7.389 d (2H, H_A in 4-CH₃-C₆H₄N, J = 8.1 Hz), 7.416 d (2H, H_A in 4-CH₃C₆H₄N, J = 8.1 Hz), 7.531 d (2H, H_B in 4-CH₃C₆H₄N, J = 8.1 Hz), 7.605 d (2H, H_B in 4-CH₃C₆H₄C, J = 8.1 Hz), 7.605 d (2H, H_B in 4-CH₃C₆H₄C, J = 8.1 Hz), 7.725 d.d (1H, 3-H, $J_1 = 3.9$, $J_2 = 7.5$ Hz), 8.521 d.d (1H, 4-H, $J_1 = 3.0$, $J_2 = 7.5$ Hz), 8.910 d.d (1H, 2-H, $J_1 = 3.0$, $J_2 = 3.9$ Hz), 10.077 s (1H, NH). Found, %: N 6.02; S 13.28. C₂₃H₂₀N₂O₅S₂. Calculated, %: N 5.98; S 13.69.

7-Chloro-5-(p-tolylsulfonylimino)quinolin-8(5H)-one (V). (Diacetoxyiodo)benzene, 0.84 g (2.6 mmol), was added with stirring to a suspension of 1 g (2.6 mmol) of hydrochloride II [1] and 0.21 g (2.6 mmol) of anhydrous sodium acetate in 11 ml of glacial acetic acid. After 3 h, the precipitate was filtered off, washed with glacial acetic acid and hexane, and dried in a vacuum desiccator. Yield 0.84 g (93%), greenish-yellow needles, mp 240-242°C (decomp., from toluene). IR spectrum, v, cm^{-1} : 1308, 1150 (SO₂); 1681 (C=O, C=N). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ, ppm: 2.449 s (3H, 4-CH₃C₆H₄), 7.528 d (2H, H_A in 4-CH₃C₆H₄, J = 7.8 Hz), 7.973 d (2H, H_B in 4-CH₃- C_6H_4 , J = 7.8 Hz), 8.433 s (1H, 6-H), 7.789 d.d (1H, 3-H, $J_1 = 4.8$, $J_2 = 8.4$ Hz), 8.419 d.d (1H, 4-H, $J_1 =$ 3.3, $J_2 = 8.4$ Hz), 9.011 d.d (1H, 2-H, $J_1 = 3.3$, $J_2 =$ 4.8 Hz). Found, %: N 7.99; S 9.16. C₁₆H₁₁ClN₂O₃S. Calculated, %: N 8.08; S 9.25.

8-Hydroxy-7-(*p*-tolylsulfonyl)-5-[bis(*p*-tolylsulfonyl)amino]quinoline (IV). *a*. Quinoline III, 1 g (2.1 mmol), was added to a suspension of 0.28 g (2.1 mmol) of (diacetoxyiodo)benzene in 8 ml of glacial acetic acid. The mixture was stirred for 4.5 h, and 0.5 g (2.3 mmol) of sodium *p*-toluenesulfinate dihydrate was added. The suspension was stirred for 2 h and was then left to stand for 24 h. The precipitate was filtered off, washed with glacial acetic acid and hexane, and dried at 55–60°C. Yield 0.77 g (58%, calculated on the initial dihydro derivative III); bright yellow powder, mp 241–243°C (decomp., from acetic acid).

b. Sodium *p*-toluenesulfinate dihydrate, 1.5 g (7 mmol), was added with stirring to a mixture containing quinone imine V which was prepared as described above by oxidation of 1 g (2.6 mmol) of compound **II**. The mixture was stirred for 5 h at room temperature and was left to stand for 24 h. The product was isolated as described above in *a*. Yield 1.6 g (quantitative, calculated on **II**); bright yellow powder, mp 243–244°C (decomp.). The product showed no depression of the melting point on mixing with a sample prepared as described in *a*. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 1369, 1172 (SO₂). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm:

2.399 s (3H, 4-CH₃C₆H₄C), 2.494 s (6H, 4-CH₃-C₆H₄N), 7.341 s (1H, 6-H), 7.480 d (2H, H_A in 4-CH₃-C₆H₄C, J = 8.7 Hz), 7.532 d (4H, H_A in 4-CH₃C₆H₄N, J = 8.7 Hz), 7.675 d (4H, H_B in 4-CH₃C₆H₄N, J = 8.7 Hz), 7.731 d (2H, H_B in 4-CH₃C₆H₄C, J = 8.7 Hz), 7.759 d.d (1H, 3-H, $J_1 = 4.4$, $J_2 = 8.4$ Hz), 7.952 d.d (1H, 4-H, $J_1 = 3.9$, $J_2 = 8.4$ Hz), 8.956 d.d (1H, 2-H, $J_1 = 3.9$, $J_2 = 4.4$ Hz). Found, %: N 4.42; S 15.41. C₃₀H₂₆N₂O₇S₃. Calculated, %: N 4.50; S 15.45.

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