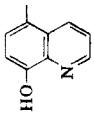


TABLE I (Continued)

X	Reaction		Yield, %	Solvent	Form	M.P., °C.	Color in Concd. H ₂ SO ₄	Formula	Nitrogen, %	
	Method	Temp., C°							Time	Calcd.
	A	80	3	C ₆ H ₆	Needles	271	Red	C ₂₁ H ₁₄ N ₂ O ₃ ^d	8.18	8.08
	B	60	17						80	
Dihydrochloride				Dil. HCl	Prisms	267 (dec.)		C ₂₁ H ₁₄ N ₂ O ₃ ·2HCl	6.75	6.77

^a Lit. m.p. 178–179°, K. Matsumura and C. Sone, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, **53**, 1492 (1931). ^b Calcd. for C₂₀H₁₂N₂O₃: C, 75.47; H, 5.66. Found: C, 75.19; H, 5.72. ^c In one lot, from the filtrate of recrystallization another isomer [yellow prisms, m.p. 276° (dec.), yield 20%, a red color in concd. H₂SO₄] was isolated, but not successfully repeated.

^d Anal. Calcd. for C₁₉H₁₂NO₃: N, 4.36. Found: N, 4.37. ^e The hydrochloride crystallized EtOH-HCl as yellow needles, m.p. 273–274° (dec.).

^f Anal. Calcd. for C₁₉H₁₂NO₃·HCl: N, 3.92. Found: N, 4.11.

^g Calcd. for C₂₁H₁₄N₂O₃: C, 73.68; H, 4.09. Found: C, 73.92; H, 4.40.

In the case of furfural, *N* sodium hydroxide (8 ml.) was added dropwise to a cooled solution of the components.

B. In concentrated hydrochloric acid. A mixture of 5-acetyl-8-quinolinol (0.38 g., 0.002 mol.) aromatic aldehyde (0.002 mol.) and concentrated hydrochloric acid (5 ml.) was allowed to stand in a sealed tube. After different periods of reaction time, the tube was opened, acid fume removed *in vacuo*, the product filtered, dissolved in water, and free base precipitated by adding sodium acetate to it.

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5-Carboxy-8-quinolinol Derivatives

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This note describes the preparation of several derivatives of 5-carboxy-8-quinolinol in the hope that they may be of tuberculostatic activity. None of them, however, possessed any notable antituberculous activity *in vitro*.

EXPERIMENTAL

Condensation of 8-quinolinol with carbon tetrachloride. The Lippmann and Fleissner method¹ was followed. Starting from 20 g. of 8-quinolinol and with 13 hr. refluxing, 5.7 g. (22%) of 5-carboxy-8-quinolinol [m.p. 272° (dec.)] was isolated as the final product.

From dirty matter which was insoluble in dilute sodium carbonate, 4.7 g. of unreacted 8-quinolinol (m.p. 70–74°) was recovered by distillation with steam and 1.2 g. of 5-carboethoxy-8-quinolinol (m.p. 124.5–125.5°) isolated by carbon tetrachloride extraction of the residue of steam distillation and recrystallization of the extract from ethanol, the identity being ascertained by mixed m.p. method with an authentic specimen of 5-carboethoxy-8-quinolinol.

The hydrochloride formed light yellow needles, m.p. 263° (dec.).

Anal. Calcd. for C₁₂H₁₁NO₃·HCl: N, 5.53. Found: N, 5.71.

The carbon tetrachloride insoluble dark solid (ca. 5 g.) after three recrystallizations from dilute hydrochloric acid gave pure hydrochloride. It produced 0.62 g. of the free base on treating with dilute sodium carbonate.

It formed colorless prisms, m.p. 282–283° when recrystallized from nitrobenzene and then glacial acetic acid. The analytical figures corresponded to those of *bis*-8-quinolinol-5-yl ketone.

Anal. Calcd. for C₁₉H₁₂N₂O₃: C, 72.15; H, 3.80; N, 8.86. Found: C, 72.26; H, 3.79; N, 8.61.

The hydrochloride crystallized from dilute hydrochloric acid as light yellow columns, m.p. 309–311° (dec.).

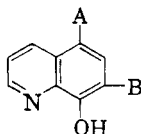
Anal. Calcd. for C₁₉H₁₂N₂O₃·2HCl: N, 7.20. Found: N, 7.02.

Diacetyl derivative crystallized from dilute acetic acid as colorless prisms, m.p. 201–202°. In dilute ethanol, it gives no color reaction with ferric chloride but develops a green color on standing or warming.

Anal. Calcd. for C₂₃H₁₆N₂O₅: N, 7.00. Found: N, 7.21.

8-Hydroxy-(XII) and 8-chloro-(XIII) 5-carbamoyl-quinoline. A mixture of 5-carboxy-8-quinolinol (1.9 g., 0.01 mol.), phosphorus pentachloride (2.2 g., 0.011 mol.) and phosphorus oxychloride (2.9 g.) was heated at 100–105°

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TABLE I
 DERIVATIVES OF 5-CARBOXY-8-QUINOLINOL


Compound	A	B	M.P., °C.	Form	Solvent	Formula	Nitrogen	
							Calcd.	Found
I ^a	—COOC ₄ H ₉	H	83	Slightly yellow rhombs	EtOH	C ₁₄ H ₁₅ NO ₃	5.71	5.52
II ^b	—COOC ₂ H ₅	—NO ₂	285 (dec.)	Yellow needles	C ₆ H ₆	C ₁₂ H ₁₀ N ₂ O ₅	10.69	10.30
III ^b	—COOC ₄ H ₉	—NO ₂	220 (dec.)	Yellow columns	C ₆ H ₆	C ₁₄ H ₁₄ N ₂ O ₅	9.66	10.12
IV ^c	—COOC ₂ H ₅	—NH ₂	132–132.5	Garnet colored needles	Ether	C ₁₂ H ₁₂ N ₂ O ₃	12.07	12.05
V ^c	—COOC ₄ H ₉	—NH ₂	139–140	Garnet colored columns	Ether	C ₁₄ H ₁₆ N ₂ O ₃	10.77	10.81
VI ^d	IV Dihydrochloride		254 (dec.)	Orange needles	Dil. HCl	C ₁₂ H ₁₂ N ₂ O ₃ ·2HCl	9.18	8.76
VII ^d	V Dihydrochloride		211 (dec.)	Orange columns	Dil. HCl	C ₁₄ H ₁₆ N ₂ O ₃ ·2HCl	8.41	8.94
VIII ^e	—COOC ₂ H ₅	—NH ⁺ COCH ₃	192	Slightly pink needles	C ₆ H ₆	C ₁₄ H ₁₄ N ₂ O ₄	10.22	10.24
IX ^e	—COOC ₄ H ₉	—NH ⁺ COCH ₃	185–186	Slightly pink needles	C ₆ H ₆	C ₁₆ H ₁₈ N ₂ O ₄	9.27	9.41
X ^f	—CONH ⁺ NH ₂	H	268 (dec.)	Colorless needles	MeOH	C ₁₀ H ₉ N ₃ O ₂	20.69	20.32
XI ^d	I Hydrochloride		239–240 (dec.)	Colorless needles	Dil. HCl	C ₁₄ H ₁₅ NO ₃ ·HCl	4.97	5.20

^a Made by heating a mixture of 5-carboxy-8-quinolinol (1.14 g.), butanol (5 ml.) and concentrated sulfuric acid (0.6 g.) at 120° for 16 hr. until clear dissolution effected, adding water and sodium acetate (2 g.) to the solution, removing butanol by steam distillation, dissolving the residual oil which soon solidified, in dilute hot hydrochloric acid (250 ml.) (just acid to congo red), filtering from dark green amorphous matter and precipitating the free ester (1.08 g., 73%) by sodium carbonate.

Anal. Calcd. for C₁₄H₁₅NO₃: C, 68.57; H, 6.12. Found: C, 68.14; H, 6.37.

^b Made by heating a mixture of the corresponding ester (0.001 mol.) and 10% nitric acid (4 ml.) at 80° with stirring for 1 hr., yield 88% II and 84% III. ^c Made by stirring a mixture of the corresponding nitro compound (0.001 mol.), ethanol (10 ml.) 2% ammonium hydroxide (14 ml.) and sodium hydrosulfite (2 g.) for 1 hr. at room temperature, removing ethanol by evaporation on a water bath and filtering the resulting crystals on cooling, yield 60% IV and 80% V. ^d Made by concentrating a solution of the corresponding base in dilute hydrochloric acid *in vacuo* over potassium hydroxide at room temperature until crystals began to separate. ^e Made by adding acetic anhydride (0.11 g.) and freshly fused sodium acetate (0.25 g.) to a solution of the corresponding amine (0.001 mol.) in ether (65 ml.), letting the mixture stand at room temperature for 4 days, then evaporating the ether and washing the residue with water in almost quantitative yield. ^f Made by heating a mixture of I (0.25 g.) and 80% hydrazine hydrate (0.5 g.) at 100° for 13 hr. and washing the product with cold benzene, yield 59%.

for 1 hr., phosphorus oxychloride removed *in vacuo* and the residue treated with cold acetone (60 ml.) which had been saturated with ammonia at 0°. The reaction product on treating with dilute ammonia, 0.72 g. of 5-carboxy-8-quinolinol was recovered and the crude XII, when purified through the hydrochloride and finally recrystallized from 90% ethanol gave colorless glistening plates, m.p. 275–276° (dec.),² yield 0.32 g. It gives a deep green color with ferric chloride.

Anal. Calcd. for C₁₀H₉N₃O₂: N, 14.89. Found: N, 14.63.

On heating 5 hr. instead of 1 hr., the reaction product, on recrystallization from ethanol gave XII (0.17 g.) and from the filtrate of recrystallization XIII (0.4 g.) respectively. XIII gave colorless columns, m.p. 230–231° and no color reaction with ferric chloride.

Anal. Calcd. for C₁₀H₇ClN₂O: C, 58.11; H, 3.39; Cl, 17.19. Found: C, 57.91; H, 2.91; Cl, 17.27.

The picrate crystallized from ethanol as plates, m.p. 200–202°.

Anal. Calcd. for C₁₀H₇ClN₂O·C₆H₅N₃O₇: N, 16.07. Found: N, 15.51.

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Synthesis of *N*-Acetyl-5-methoxytryptamine

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