ogous transformations of the 4 series described above. The bromomethyl ketone hydrobromide was obtained in 61% yield, mp 244–249° dec. *Anal.* ($C_{11}H_6BrCl_2NO \cdot HBr$) C, H, Br, Cl, N.

6,8-Dichloro-5-quinolylethylene Oxide.—The bromomethyl ketone hydrobromide was reduced by $NaBH_4$ in MeOH suspension (as in the 4 series) to give the oxide (78%) which, after recrystallization from EtOH, had mp 146–147°. *Anal.* ($C_{11}H_7Cl_2NO$) C, H, Cl, N.

α-(Di-*n*-butylaminomethyl)-6,8-dichloro-5-quinolinemethanol Hydrochloride (II·HCl).—The oxide precursor and *n*-Bu_2NH reacted under the same conditions used in the 4 series to give an oil that was converted into the HCl salt by the action of ethereal HCl. The yield of product, mp 162–164°, was quantitative. *Anal.* ($C_{19}H_{26}Cl_2N_2O \cdot HCl$) C, H, Cl, N.

α-(Di-*n*-butylaminomethyl)-2-phenyl-4′,6,8-trichloro-5-quinolinemethanol Hydrochloride (III·HCl).—The 4-chlorophenylation reaction with II·HCl was carried out using a procedure similar to that described[19] for the phenylation of certain quinolinemethanols. 4-Chlorophenyllithium was prepared immediately before use by a literature procedure[25] and was used in a tenfold excess. The crude product was converted into the HCl salt by ethereal HCl and the salt was recrystallized from *i*-PrOH to give a 35% yield of a colorless powder, mp 258–260°. *Anal.* ($C_{25}H_{26}Cl_3N_2O \cdot HCl$) C, H, Cl, N.

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Antimalarials. Quinolinemethanol Derivatives

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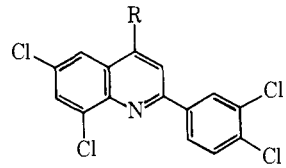
6,8-Dichloro-2-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-4-(α-di-*n*-butylaminomethyl)quinolinemethanol (**1a**)[1] is a very active antimalarial compound among 4-quinolinemethanols,[2]



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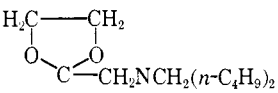
b, R = 

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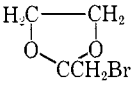
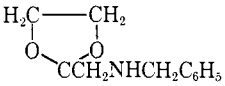
e, R = $CHOHCH_2NHCH_2C_6H_5 \cdot HCl$

f, R = 

g, R = 

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but is highly phototoxic, and therefore cannot be used for the treatment of malaria. Several approaches have been explored to prepare less phototoxic 4-quinolinemethanols[3] without reducing their antimalarial activity.

We started to make **1b** with a view that the modified environments at this carbon atom might decrease the phototoxicity.

By the reaction of **1d** with *n*-Bu_2NH, the desired di-*n*-butylaminoketone could not be obtained. When **1d** was converted into the dioxyethylene compound **1f**, it failed to react with di-*n*-butylamine even when heated in a sealed tube at 180° for 24 hr. Thus, the comparison of antimalarial activity between **1a** and **1b** could not be made. When **1c** was treated with benzylamine **1e** was obtained. The dioxyethylene bromo compound **1f** reacted with benzylamine smoothly to give the target compound **1g** which could be compared in its antimalarial activity and phototoxicity with **1e** to test the hypothesis we started with.

Biological Tests.—The compounds were tested for their antimalarial activity against *Plasmodium berghei* in mice by Dr. L. Rane according to the procedure already published.[4] **1e** showed activity at 40 mg/kg, cured 4 mice at 160 mg and all 5 mice at 320 mg with no toxic deaths. The dioxyethylene derivative **1g** was inactive even at a dose of 640 mg/kg. When tested for phototoxicity in mouse (ip), **1e** was approximately 9 times more phototoxic than **1g**.[5]

Experimental Section

6,8-Dichloro-2-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-4-(α-benzylaminomethyl)-quinolinemethanol·HCl (1e) was prepared in 77.6% yield by the procedure of Lutz *et al.*[1] It was crystallized from MeOH–Et_2O, mp 250–254°. *Anal.* ($C_{24}H_{21}Cl_5N_2O$) C, H, Cl^-, N.

6,8-Dichloro-2-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-4-(2-bromo-1,1-ethylenedioxyethyl)quinoline (1f) was prepared from **1d**[6] in 64.0% yield by the procedure of Takahashi and Tanabe.[7] It was crystallized several times from C_6H_6, mp 212–214°. *Anal.* ($C_{19}H_{12}BrCl_4NO_2$) C, H, Br, Cl, N.

6,8-Dichloro-2-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-4-(2-benzylamino-1,1-ethylenedioxyethyl)quinoline (1g).—A mixture of **1f** (1.0 g), benzylamine (10 ml), ethoxyethanol (10 ml), and a crystal of I_2 was refluxed for 24 hr. Solvent and excess benzylamine were removed *in vacuo* and the residue was triturated with 10% NaOH and extracted (C_6H_6). The extract was dried (K_2CO_3), filtered, and concentrated to give 790 mg (67.0%) of crude product which, after two crystallizations from C_6H_6, melted at 159–161°. *Anal.* ($C_{26}H_{20}Cl_4N_2O_2$) C, H, N.

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