



Quinazoline–sulfonamides with potent inhibitory activity against the α -carbonic anhydrase from *Vibrio cholerae*



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ABSTRACT

Thirteen novel sulfonamide derivatives incorporating the quinazoline scaffold were synthesized by simple, eco-friendly procedures. These compounds were tested for their ability to inhibit the α -carbonic anhydrases (CA, EC 4.2.1.1) from *Vibrio cholerae* (VchCA) as well as the human α -CA isoforms, hCA I and hCA II. Nine compounds were highly effective, nanomolar inhibitors of the pathogenic enzyme VchCA. Three of them were also highly effective sub-nanomolar inhibitors of the cytosolic isoform II. The best VchCA inhibitor had a K_i of 2.7 nM. Many of these developed compounds showed high selectivity for inhibition of the bacterial over the mammalian CA isoforms, with one compound possessing selectivity ratios as high as 97.9 against hCA I and 9.7 against hCA II. Compound **9d** was another highly effective VchCA inhibitor presenting a selectivity ratio of 99.1 and 8.1 against hCA I and hCA II, respectively. These results suggest that sulfonamides with quinazoline backbone could be considered suitable tools to better understand the role of bacterial CAs in pathogenesis.

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1. Introduction

Cholera is an infectious human disease of the small intestine and is caused by the gram negative bacterium *Vibrio cholerae*. It is characterized by massive loss of water and electrolytes which leads to severe dehydration and hypovolemic shock followed by death if not well treated.¹ Globally, it was estimated that it affects 3–5 million people and causes 100,000–130,000 deaths annually. In developing countries, cholera spreads among victims mainly through contaminated water sources, and countries without proper sanitation techniques have greater incidence of such horrible disastrous disease.²

It was reported that the growth of *Vibrio cholerae* during infection of a host initiates a complex regulatory cascade that results in the production of a regulatory protein that directly activates transcription of the genes encoding cholera toxins and other virulence inducer genes.³ Although the in vivo signals that induce *V. cholerae* virulence gene expression have not yet been determined, *V. cholerae* has been shown to modulate the

expression of its virulence genes in vitro which could be explained by the bicarbonate induced alkalinity of the small intestine.⁴

Consequently, recently, it was reported that the intestinal hypoxic conditions enables *V. cholerae* to express a number of virulence activators. It has also been shown that *V. cholerae* may sense intestinal anoxic signals by multiple components to activate virulence.⁵ Another potential inducer of virulence gene expression is sodium bicarbonate, which is present at a high concentration in the upper small intestine. Consequently, bicarbonate is considered the first positive effector for ToxT, the major direct transcription activator of the virulence genes.⁶

Jeffrey and Basal reported that ethoxzolamide, a potent sulfonamide carbonic anhydrase (CA, EC 4.2.1.1) inhibitor, outstandingly controlled the bicarbonate-mediated virulence induction, suggesting that conversion of CO₂ into bicarbonate by carbonic anhydrase plays a major role in virulence induction.¹ Recently our group succeeded to clone an α -CA enzyme from this pathogen, *Vibrio cholerae*, which was named VchCA.⁷ This enzyme showed a significant catalytic activity for the hydration of CO₂ to produce HCO₃⁻, and was greatly inhibited by sulfonamide and sulfamate containing molecules.^{7–11}

Based on the aforementioned results we proposed VchCA as a new target for the antibiotic development program. In the present

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The approach to prepare the target potentially bioactive quinazoline derivatives **8a–h** and thioxoquinazolin-4-one analogues **9a–e** was via a generalized route as depicted in Schemes 1–3. The starting materials, thioxoquinazoline derivatives **3a–h** and their 2,4-dithio isosteres **4a–e**, were prepared according to reported literature procedure.^{12,13} The appropriate anthranilic acid derivatives **1a–e** was reacted with the selected isothiocyanate derivative in boiling ethanol containing catalytic amount of triethylamine. The structure of these intermediates was confirmed by IR, NMR and MS spectra (see Section 4 for details).

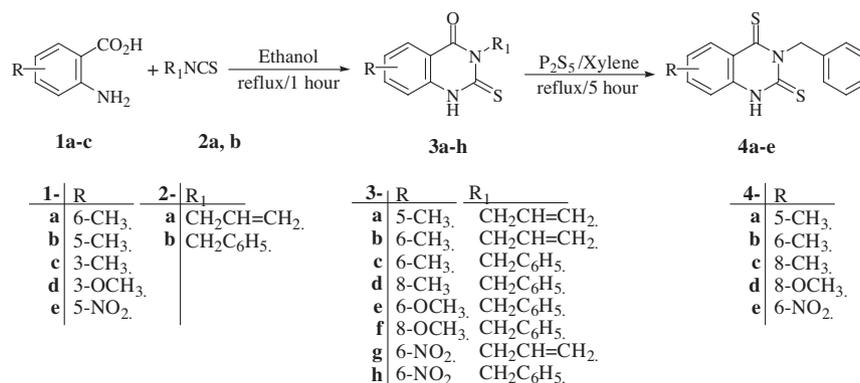
It is thought that in certain instances, conversion of the oxoquinazoline derivatives to the thioxo isosteres could contribute to the biological activity.¹⁴ Recently, and after in silico prediction, certain thioxoquinazoline derivatives showed inhibitory potencies at sub-micromolar levels against the catalytic domain of PDE7A1.¹⁵ Such consideration led us to explore some selected thioxoquinazoline isomers as possible inhibitors of VchCA isoform. Consequently, the 2-thioxoquinazolin-4-thione derivatives **4a–e** were obtained by treatment of compounds **3a–e** with phosphorus penta sulfide in dry pyridine. 2-Chloro-*N*-(4-sulfamoylphenyl)-acetamide was prepared by acylation of sulfanilamide at room temperature under basic condition. Alkylation of both quinazoline derivatives **3a–h** and **4a–e** with 2-chloro-*N*-(4-sulfamoylphenyl)-acetamide was carried out afterwards to afford the target derivatives endowed with the sulfonamide functionality **8a–h**, and **9a–e**, respectively. The structure of the intermediate and target molecules were confirmed by elemental analyses, IR, NMR and MS spectra and were in accordance with the suggested structure.

The I.R. spectra of compounds **8a–h** showed two absorption bands at around 3350 and 3250 cm^{-1} due to NH and NH_2 . Two strong carbonyl bands ranging from 1725–1685 cm^{-1} were a common feature of these derivatives. Their ^1H NMR showed two D_2O exchangeable signals of NH and NH_2 groups around the regions δ 11.00 and δ 6.30, respectively. The ^{13}C spectra confirmed the presence of the corresponding carbons at their expected shift values specially the two carbonyl peaks at around 160–168 ppm. Conversion of the thioxoquinazolin-4-one **3a–e** derivatives to their corresponding di-thioxo **4a–e** isosteres was confirmed by the absence of one of the carbonyl absorption band characteristic for compounds **3a–e** in the IR and ^{13}C spectra and the concomitant appearance of the new C=S bands instead. Conversely, compounds **9a–e** formation was evidenced by the same tools, where the final compounds exhibited the C=S peaks at δ values above 175 ppm. However, generally the NH, CH_2 and C=O is a common functionality for *N*-(4-sulfamoylphenyl)-acetamido containing compounds such as **8a–h** and **9a–e** as evidenced by their IR, ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra. Their mass spectra revealed, in each case, a peak corresponding to the molecular ion in addition to the base peak.

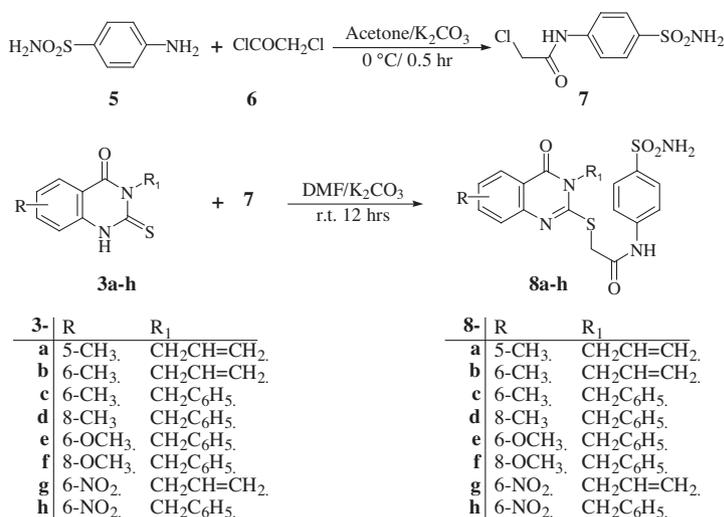
2.3. Carbonic anhydrase inhibition

The inhibition studies of the new quinazolin-4-one sulfonamide derivatives **8a–h** and their 4-thioxo bioisosteres **9a–e** reported here, against the human (h) CA isoforms hCA I, II, and the bacterial enzyme VchCA, are reported in Table 1. Data for the selectivity ratios of the dominant and physiologically relevant human carbonic anhydrase isoforms (hCA I and II) over the bacterial VchCA enzyme with these compounds are also included in Table 1, as they may be the main off-targets in case they are very efficient VchCA inhibitors. The following structure-activity relationship (SAR) can be observed from data of Table 1, for the inhibition of the VchCA investigated here with the new group of quinazoline–sulfonamide derivatives **8a–h** and **9a–e**:

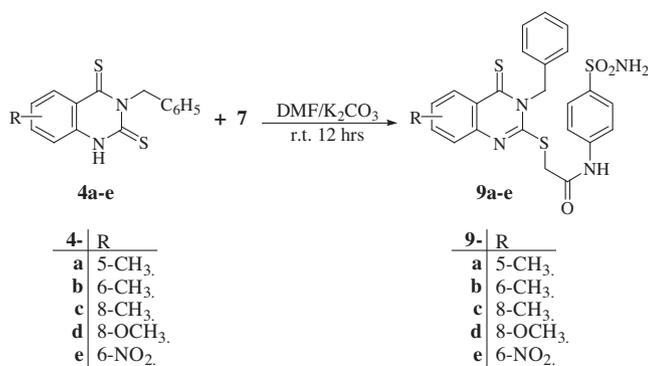
- (i) Generally, sulfonamide derivatives with quinazolin-4-one backbone exhibited inhibitory activity towards VchCA comparable to that obtained by those derivatives with quinazolin-4-thione derivatives except for compound **8c**. Compounds **8–e**, **8–f**, **8–h** and **9–e**, were poorly effective as VchCA inhibitors ($K_{\text{IS}} > 10,000$ nM) and noticed no great difference between allyl or benzyl group as 3-substituents.
- (ii) Substitution at the 5, 6 and/or 8 positions of the quinazoline nucleus led to compounds with varying degrees of activities. The 6-methyl substituted derivatives were more active than the 5-substituted methyl derivatives and the later ones were more active than their 8-methyl substituted quinazoline sulfonamide congeners. Compound **8g** with 6-nitro-3-allyl showed very good inhibitory activity but the 6-nitro-3-benzyl **8h** exhibited moderate activity the same as the its dithioxo congener **9e**.
- (iii) In both series the 6-methyl-3-benzyl derivatives (**8–c**, **9–b**) were mostly more active than the standard drug, however the oxoquinazoline series could be considered inferior to the thioxoquinazolines based on the better selectivity ratio of the latter.
- (iv) Against the cytosolic slow isoform hCA I, the new quinazoline derivatives and their bioisosteres reported here were generally ineffective inhibitors, with inhibition constants ranging between 674–5432 nM. Only compounds **8a–c** showed medium inhibition activity against this isoform, with K_{IS} of 86.5–105 nM (Table 1).
- (v) The physiologically dominant human isoform hCA II was high effectively inhibited by **8a–c**, which showed K_{IS} in the range of 1.3–1.7 nM, with better inhibition activity than the clinically used acetazolamide **AAZ** (K_{I} of 12 nM). Derivative **8g** showed high inhibition potency against this cytosolic isoform with K_{I} of the same order of magnitude



Scheme 1. Synthesis of 3,5,6 and/or 8 substituted-2-thio-4-oxoquinazoline and 2-thio-4-thioxoquinazoline derivatives **3a–h** and **4a–e**.



Scheme 2. Synthese of substituted sulfa derivative **7** and 2,3,5,6 and/or 8-substituted-4-oxoquinazoline derivatives **8a-h**.



Scheme 3. Synthesis of 2,3,5,6 and/or 8-substituted-4-thioxoquinazoline derivatives **9a-e**.

Table 1

Inhibition data against human (h) isoforms hCA I, II (cytosolic), and bacterial enzyme VchCA of derivatives **8a-h**, **9a-e** and acetazolamide **AAZ** (as standard inhibitor) by a stopped-flow CO₂ hydrase assay¹⁷

Compound	K _i ^a (nM)			Selectivity ratios	
	hCA I	hCA II	VchCA	VchCA/hCA I	VchCA/hCA II
8-a	105	1.3	8.1	13.0	0.2
8-b	119	1.8	6.0	14.7	0.2
8-c	86.5	1.7	2.7	10.7	0.2
8-d	2078	208.4	8.5	256.6	25.7
8-e	4761	233.8	>10,000	—	—
8-f	5432	208.9	>10,000	—	—
8-g	674	12.1	6.6	83.27	1.5
8-h	3371	122.9	>10,000	—	—
9-a	4168	67.5	7.7	514.5	8.3
9-b	793	78.26	5.5	97.9	9.7
9-c	2162	114.2	8.7	266.9	14.1
9-d	803	65.3	7.9	99.1	8.1
9-e	4549	96.0	>10,000	—	—
AAZ	250	12.0	6.8	36.7	1.76

^a Mean from 3 different assays, by a stopped flow technique (errors were in the range of ±5–10% of the reported values).

as acetazolamide. Some of the remaining derivatives, such as **9a-b**, **9d** and **9e**, were medium potency hCA II inhibitors (K_is in the range of 44.0–91.9 nM). The other compounds reported here **8d-8f**, **8h** and **9c** showed ineffective hCA II inhibitory activity, with K_is in the range of 114.2–233.8 nM (Table 1).

(vi) The bacterial enzyme VchCA was generally highly inhibited by the quinazolines reported here, with K_is in the range of 2.7–8.5 nM. Several low nanomolar VchCA inhibitors were detected here. However, the best VchCA inhibitor was derivative **8c** (K_i of 2.7 nM), which was also a very strong inhibitor of hCA II with K_i of 1.7 nM and a medium potency inhibitor of the cytosolic isoform hCA I with K_i of 86.5 nM. The least effective VchCA inhibitors were **8e-f**, **8g** and **9e**, which showed K_is higher than 10,000 nM. Although most of the compounds reported here inhibited efficiently VchCA, no significant change of K_i values has been observed. Therefore, SAR is almost impossible to delineate as all substitution patterns lead to highly effective inhibitors of this bacterial CA, VchCA.

(vii) Some of the potent VchCA inhibitors reported here also showed a high selective inhibition of the bacterial CA over the human isoforms. Indeed, compounds **8d**, **9b** and **9c** possessing selectivity ratios ranging from 97.9 to 266.9 against hCA I and 9.7 to 25.7 against hCA II, represents the most interesting CAIs reported here (Table 1). Furthermore, another highly effective VchCA inhibitor presenting similar selectivity ratios to the previous compound as high as 99.1 against hCA I and 8.1 against hCA II was observed for compound **9d**.

Overall the compounds presented better selectivity inhibition ratios against hCA I than hCA II and some of them were low selective inhibitor for the bacterial isoform over the human ones such as **8a-c**. It is also interesting to notice that acetazolamide **AAZ** possesses lower selectivity ratios for inhibiting VchCA against hCA I and II (36.7 and 1.76, respectively) than the derivatives **8d-8h** reported here, although it acts as an efficient VchCA inhibitor.

3. Conclusion

A series of quinazolin-4-one and quinazolin-4-thione derivatives endowed with the biologically interesting benzenesulfonamide moiety were designed and synthesized as potential CAIs. The CA inhibitory activity of these compounds was assessed against the human pathogenic bacterium *Vibrio cholera* VchCA and the human cytosolic isoforms hCA I and II. Most of the novel tested sulfonamide derivatives showed interesting activities against VchCA enzyme and three of them potently inhibited hCA II at a subnanomolar concentration and were more potent than

acetazolamide **AAZ** (as standard inhibitor). According to the results obtained in the current study, many of the highly effective VchCA inhibitors reported here also possessed excellent selectivity ratios for inhibiting the bacterial over the human enzymes.

4. Experimental

4.1. Chemistry

Melting points (°C, uncorrected) were determined in open capillaries on a Gallenkamp melting point apparatus (Sanyo Gallenkamp, Southborough, UK) and were uncorrected. Precoated silica gel plates (silica gel 0.25 mm, 60G F254; Merck, Germany) were used for thin layer chromatography, dichloromethane/methanol (9.5:0.5) mixture was used as a developing solvent system and the spots were visualized by ultraviolet light and/or iodine. Infra red spectra were recorded in KBr discs using IR-470 Shimadzu spectrometer (Shimadzu, Tokyo, Japan). ¹H NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker AC-400 Ultra Shield NMR spectrometer (Bruker, Flawil, Switzerland, δ ppm) at 300 MHz for ¹H and 75 MHz for ¹³C, using TMS as internal standard and peak multiplicities are designed as follows: s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; m, multiplet. Electron Impact Mass Spectra were recorded on a Shimadzu GC-MS-QP 5000 instrument (Shimadzu, Tokyo, Japan). Elemental analyses were performed, on Carlo Erba 1108 Elemental Analyzer (Heraeus, Hanau, Germany), at the Micro-analytical Unit, Faculty of Science, Cairo University, Cairo, Egypt, and the found results were within $\pm 0.4\%$ of the theoretical values.

4.1.1. General procedure for preparation of 2-thioxo-3-substituted-5, 6 or 8-substituted-3H-quinazolin-4-ones **3a–h**^{12,13}

A mixture of the appropriate anthranilic acid derivative, **1a–e** (0.01 mol), the appropriate isothiocyanate derivative (0.012 mol), and TEA (2 mL) in absolute ethanol (50 mL) was heated under reflux for 1 h. The reaction mixture was then cooled and the solvent was evaporated under vacuum. The obtained residue was washed with water, filtered, dried and crystallized from absolute ethanol to give the title compounds.

4.1.1.1. 3-Allyl-2,3-dihydro-5-methyl-2-thioxoquinazolin-4(1H)-one 3a^{12,13}. Yield (90%); mp 172–174 °C; IR (KBr) ν : 3268 (NH), 1685 (C=O), 1271 (C=S) cm^{-1} ; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 2.44 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.42–4.41 (d, 2H, *J* = 4.1 Hz, NCH₂), 5.12–5.11 (d, 2H, *J* = 4.5 Hz, Allyl-CH₂), 5.91–5.90 (m, 1H, Allyl-CH), 6.72–6.71 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.98–6.99 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.25–7.26 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H, ArH), 11.75 (s, 1H, NH), ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 17.9 (CH₃), 40.6 (NCH₂), 116.9, 125.1, 125.2, 125.9, 127.7, 128.8, 137.4, 138.6 (Ar-C), 160.2 (C=O), 176.5 (C=S). MS (*m/z*): 232 [M⁺]. Anal. (C₁₂H₁₂N₂O₂S, 232.30) C, 62.04 (62.21); H, 5.21 (4.88); N, 12.06 (12.19); S, 13.80 (14.03).

4.1.1.2. 3-Allyl-2,3-dihydro-6-methyl-2-thioxoquinazolin-4(1H)-one 3b^{12,13}. Yield (92%); mp 183–185 °C; IR (KBr) ν : 3271 (NH), 1690 (C=O), 1258 (C=S) cm^{-1} ; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 2.39 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.48–4.47 (d, 2H, *J* = 3.2 Hz, NCH₂), 5.13–5.12 (d, 2H, *J* = 4.6 Hz, Allyl-CH₂), 5.90 (m, 1H, Allyl-CH), 7.62–7.61 (d, *J* = 7.2, 1H, Ar-H), 7.85–7.84 (d, *J* = 6.7, 1H, Ar-H), 8.11 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 11.55 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (DMSO-*d*₆) δ 16.2 (CH₃), 41.1 (NCH₂), 117.3, 120.5, 122.1, 123.0, 127.4, 129.5, 132.7, 134.9, 136.4, 137.8, 141.6, 144.7, 154.3 (Ar-C), 160.7 (C=O), 178.1 (C=S). MS (*m/z*): 232 [M⁺]. Anal.

(C₁₂H₁₂N₂O₂S, 232.30) C, 62.04 (61.87); H, 5.21 (5.37); N, 12.06 (11.79); S, 13.80 (13.89).

4.1.1.3. 3-Benzyl-2,3-dihydro-6-methyl-2-thioxoquinazolin-4(1H)-one 3c^{12,13}. Yield (86%); mp 168–166 °C; IR (KBr) ν : 3284 (NH), 1686 (C=O), 1263 (C=S) cm^{-1} ; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 2.35 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.45–4.44 (d, 2H, *J* = 3.4 Hz, NCH₂), 7.63–7.62 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.67–7.64 (d, *J* = 7.6, 2H, Ar-H), 7.88–7.86 (d, *J* = 8.6, 2H, Ar-H), 8.15 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 11.54 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (DMSO-*d*₆) δ 15.9 (CH₃), 45.3 (NCH₂), 121.2, 125.7, 126.4, 127.2, 128.8, 129.1, 133.5, 136.7, 137.1, 152.0 (Ar-C), 161.6 (C=O), 178.3 (C=S). MS (*m/z*): 282 [M⁺]. Anal. (C₁₆H₁₄N₂O₂S, 282.36) C, 68.06 (68.19); H, 5.00 (4.79); N, 9.92 (10.16); S, 11.36 (11.17).

4.1.1.4. 3-Benzyl-2,3-dihydro-8-methyl-2-thioxoquinazolin-4(1H)-one 3d^{12,13}. Yield (92%); mp 167–169 °C; IR (KBr) ν : 3287 (NH), 1683 (C=O), 1266 (C=S) cm^{-1} ; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 2.32 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.60–4.59 (d, 2H, *J* = 3.6 Hz, NCH₂), 7.67–7.65 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.68–7.65 (d, *J* = 7.5, 2H, Ar-H), 8.02–8.01 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 11.14 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (DMSO-*d*₆) δ 16.3 (CH₃), 41.5 (NCH₂), 121.4, 125.1, 126.8, 127.7, 128.2, 129.1, 133.0, 136.5, 138.7, 152.7 (Ar-C), 160.7, (C=O), 179.3 (C=S). MS (*m/z*): 282 [M⁺]. Anal. (C₁₆H₁₄N₂O₂S, 282.36) C, 68.06 (68.23); H, 5.00 (4.81); N, 9.92 (10.25); S, 11.36 (11.14).

4.1.1.5. 3-Benzyl-2,3-dihydro-6-methoxy-2-thioxoquinazolin-4(1H)-one 3e^{12,13}. Yield (86%); mp 165–167 °C; IR (KBr) ν : 3287 (NH), 1681 (C=O), 1269 (C=S) cm^{-1} ; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 3.73 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.26–4.25 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H, NCH₂), 7.65–7.63 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.66–7.65 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.83–7.82 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 8.11 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 10.99 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (DMSO-*d*₆) δ 43.0 (NCH₂), 55.6 (OCH₃), 121.7, 125.2, 127.0, 127.4, 128.4, 129.1, 133.4, 135.7, 151.5, (Ar-C), 162.5 (C=O), 184 (C=S). MS (*m/z*): 298 [M⁺]. Anal. (C₁₆H₁₄N₂O₂S, 298.35) C, 64.41 (64.72); H, 4.73 (4.96); N, 9.39 (9.11); S, 10.75 (10.59).

4.1.1.6. 3-Benzyl-2,3-dihydro-8-methoxy-2-thioxoquinazolin-4(1H)-one 3f^{12,13}. Yield (89%); mp 163–165 °C; IR (KBr) ν : 3289 (NH), 1681 (C=O), 1264 (C=S) cm^{-1} ; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 3.77 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.27–4.26 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H, NCH₂), 7.67–7.64 (m, 4H, Ar-H), 7.67–7.66 (d, *J* = 7.6, 2H, Ar-H), 7.88–7.86 (d, *J* = 8.7, 2H, Ar-H), 11.14 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (DMSO-*d*₆) δ 43.1 (NCH₂), 55.5 (OCH₃), 121.3, 125.1, 126.6, 127.3, 128.7, 129.2, 133.7, 135.1, 151.5 (Ar-C), 161.1, (C=O), 184.3 (C=S). MS (*m/z*): 298 [M⁺]. Anal. (C₁₆H₁₄N₂O₂S, 298.35) C, 64.41 (64.62); H, 4.73 (4.89); N, 9.39 (9.17); S, 10.75 (10.94).

4.1.1.7. 3-Allyl-2,3-dihydro-6-nitro-2-thioxoquinazolin-4(1H)-one 3g^{12,13}. Yield (82%); mp 197–199 °C; IR (KBr) ν : 3277 (NH), 1680 (C=O), 1258 cm^{-1} ; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 3.82–3.81 (d, 2H, *J* = 3.6 Hz, NCH₂), 5.15–5.14 (d, 2H, *J* = 4.9 Hz, Allyl-CH₂), 5.88–5.87 (m, 1H, Allyl-CH), 7.62–7.61 (dd, *J*₁ = 7.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 3.8 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.98 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 10.87 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (DMSO-*d*₆) δ 39.0 (NCH₂), 122.5, 123.7, 127.1, 129.5, 133.6, 134.5, 136.3, 137.2, 154.9 (Ar-C), 159.8, (C=O), 185.7 (C=S). MS (*m/z*): 263 [M⁺]. Anal. (C₁₁H₉N₃O₃S, 263.27) C, 50.18 (49.98); H, 3.45 (3.69); N, 15.96 (16.17); S, 12.18 (11.89).

4.1.1.8. 3-Benzyl-2,3-dihydro-6-nitro-2-thioxoquinazolin-4(1H)-one 3h^{12,13}. Yield (89%); mp 185–183 °C; IR (KBr) ν : 3295 (NH), 1684 (C=O), 1252 (C=S) cm^{-1} ; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 4.34 (s, 2H, NCH₂), 7.60–7.59 (m, 3H, Ar-H),

7.67–7.65 (d, $J = 7.0$, 2H, Ar-H), 7.98–7.97 (d, $J = 7.7$, 2H, Ar-H), 8.11 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 10.98 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (DMSO-*d*₆) δ 44.3 (NCH₂), 121.5, 125.7, 126.4, 127.2, 128.5, 129.1, 133.7, 136.2, 138.3, 152.5 (Ar-C), 161.8 (C=O), 184.5. MS (m/z): 313 [M⁺]. Anal. (C₁₅H₁₁N₃O₃S, 313.33) C, 57.50 (57.36); H, 3.54 (3.77); N, 13.41 (3.28); S, 10.23 (10.14).

4.1.2. General procedure for preparation of 2-thioxo-3-substituted-5, 6 or 8-substituted-3H-quinazolin-4-thiones 4a–e^{12,13}

A mixture of 2-thioxo-3-benzyl-3H-quinazolin-4-one **3a–e** derivative, **1a–e** (0.015 mol) and phosphorus penta-sulfide (4.0 g, 0.018 mol) in xylene (50 ml) was heated under reflux for 5 h. The reaction mixture was filtered while hot, the filtrate was cooled and the separated solid was washed with water, filtered, dried and crystallized from dimethylformamide to give the title compounds.

4.1.2.1. 3-Allyl-2,3-dihydro-5-methyl-2-thioxoquinazolin-4(1H)-thione 4a^{12,13}. Yield (54%); mp 207–209 °C; IR (KBr) ν : 3261 (NH), 1285, 1235 (2C=S) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 2.42 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.41–4.40 (d, 2H, $J = 4.5$ Hz, NCH₂), 5.13–5.12 (d, 2H, $J = 4.8$ Hz, Allyl-CH₂), 5.93–5.92 (m, 1H, Allyl-CH), 6.75–6.74 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.96–6.97 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.21–7.22 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 11.92 (s, 1H, NH), ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 18.1 (CH₃), 41.5 (NCH₂), 118.0, 125.5, 125.6, 126.2, 127.1, 127.7, 128.0, 138.5, 139.5 (Ar-C), 176.5, 179.5 (2C=S). MS (m/z): 248 [M⁺]. Anal. (C₁₂H₁₂N₂S₂, 248.30) C, 58.03 (57.81); H, 4.87 (4.65); N, 11.28 (10.99); S, 25.82 (26.05).

4.1.2.2. 3-Allyl-2,3-dihydro-6-methyl-2-thioxoquinazolin-4(1H)-thione 4b^{12,13}. Yield (42%); mp 211–213–185 °C; IR (KBr) ν : 3260 (NH), 1282, 1240 (2C=S) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 2.42 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.41–4.40 (d, 2H, $J = 4.8$ Hz, NCH₂), 5.13–5.11 (d, 2H, $J = 4.3$ Hz, Allyl-CH₂), 5.93–5.92 (m, 1H, Allyl-CH), 6.77–6.75 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.96–6.97 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.21–7.23 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 11.95 (s, 1H, NH), ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 18.0 (CH₃), 41.3 (NCH₂), 118.2, 125.1, 125.6, 126.0, 127.0, 127.7, 128.4, 138.4, 139.5 (Ar-C), 174.5, 179.5 (2C=S). MS (m/z): 248 [M⁺]. Anal. (C₁₂H₁₂N₂S₂, 248.30) C, 58.03 (57.85); H, 4.87 (4.69); N, 11.28 (11.19); S, 25.82 (26.02).

4.1.2.3. 3-Benzyl-2,3-dihydro-6-methyl-2-thioxoquinazolin-4(1H)-thione 4c^{12,13}. Yield (46%); mp 162–164 °C; IR (KBr) ν : 3284 (NH), 1286, 1253 (2C=S) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 2.37 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.45–4.43 (d, 2H, $J = 3.8$ Hz, NCH₂), 7.64–7.63 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.67–7.66 (d, $J = 4.6$, 2H, Ar-H), 7.88–7.87 (d, $J = 8.6$, 2H, Ar-H), 8.05 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 11.52 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (DMSO-*d*₆) δ 17.1 (CH₃), 44.5 (NCH₂), 120.8, 125.1, 126.6, 127.8, 128.5, 129.4, 133.1, 136.9, 137.5, 151.8 (Ar-C), 176.3, 178.7 (2C=S). MS (m/z): 298 [M⁺]. Anal. (C₁₆H₁₄N₂S₂, 282.36) C, 64.39 (64.22); H, 4.73 (4.52); N, 9.39 (9.24); S, 21.49 (21.65).

4.1.2.4. 3-Benzyl-2,3-dihydro-8-methyl-2-thioxoquinazolin-4(1H)-thione 4d^{12,13}. Yield (45%); mp 160–162 °C; IR (KBr) ν : 3271 (NH), 1277, 1251 (2C=S) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 2.36 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.46–4.44 (d, 2H, $J = 3.1$ Hz, NCH₂), 7.74–7.72 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.87–7.85 (d, $J = 5.5$, 2H, Ar-H), 7.93–7.92 (d, $J = 8.2$, 2H, Ar-H), 8.15 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 11.83 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (DMSO-*d*₆) δ 17.1 (CH₃), 44.4 (NCH₂), 120.2, 125.0, 126.5, 127.1, 128.6, 129.3, 133.4, 136.8, 137.4, 152.1 (Ar-C), 177.3, 179.7 (2C=S). MS (m/z): 298 [M⁺]. Anal. (C₁₆H₁₄N₂S₂, 282.36) C, 64.39 (64.25); H, 4.73 (4.57); N, 9.39 (9.26); S, 21.49 (21.61).

4.1.2.5. 3-Benzyl-2,3-dihydro-6-methoxy-2-thioxoquinazolin-4(1H)-thione 4e^{12,13}. Yield (46%); mp 160–162 °C; IR (KBr) ν : 3274 (NH), 1275, 1222 (2C=S) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 3.73 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.22–4.23 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H, NCH₂), 7.63–7.61 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.68–7.69 (d, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.84–7.82 (d, $J = 9.3$ Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 8.15 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 11.35 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (DMSO-*d*₆) δ 44.6 (NCH₂), 55.8 (OCH₃), 121.3, 125.4, 127.1, 127.4, 128.1, 129.4, 133.5, 135.6, 151.1 (Ar-C), 172.9, 180.2 (2C=S). MS (m/z): 314 [M⁺]. Anal. (C₁₆H₁₄N₂O₂S₂, 298.35) C, 61.12 (60.91); H, 4.49 (4.31); N, 8.91 (9.20); S, 20.40 (20.67).

4.1.3. Synthesis of 2-chloro-N-(4-sulfamoylphenyl)-acetamide 7¹⁶

To a solution of sulfanilamide **5** (1.72 gm, 0.01 mol) and K₂CO₃ (2.76 g, 0.02 mol) in acetone (20 mL), 2-chloroacetyl chloride **6** (1.354 g, 0.012 mol) was added drop-wise. The reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 0.5 h then left to warm to room temperature. The progress of the reaction was monitored by TLC till completion. The reaction mixture was filtered and the filtrate was evaporated under reduced pressure to afford the crude product, which was washed with water and crystallized from ethanol to afford analytically pure product of compound **7**.

Compound **7**: Yield (95%); mp 236–238 °C; IR ν 3347 (NH), 1682 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): 4.33 (s, 2H, CH₂), 7.31 (s, 2H, SO₂NH₂), 8.01–8.03 ($J = 9.0$, 2H, Ar-H), 8.07–8.09 ($J = 8.5$, 2H, Ar-H), 10.66 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (DMSO-*d*₆) δ 15.8 (CH₃), 27.6 (SCH₂), 44.6 (NCH₂), 120.1, 127.8, 140.1, 142.4 (Ar-C), 166.3 (C=O); MS (m/z (Rel. Int.)) 248 (M⁺). Anal. (C₈H₉ClN₂O₃S, 248.68) C, 38.64 (38.35); H, 3.65 (3.81); N, 11.26 (11.05); S, 12.89 (13.06).

4.1.4. General procedure for preparation of 2-substituted thioxo-3-substituted-5, 6 or 8-substituted-3H-quinazolin-4-ones 8a–h and 9a–e

To a solution of compound **7** (2.48 g, 0.01 mol) in DMF (10 mL), the appropriate thioxoquinazolin-4-one (0.01 mol) and anhydrous potassium carbonate (1.38 g, 0.01 mol) were added and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. Water (15 mL) was added and the mixture was stirred for further 30 min. The separated solid was filtered, washed with cold water, dried and crystallized from absolute ethanol.

4.1.4.1. N-4-Aminosulphonylphenyl-2-(3-allyl-4-oxo-6-methyl-quinazolin-2ylthio)-acetamide 8a. Yield (72%); mp 287–289 °C; IR ν 3343–3297 (NH, NH₂), 1714, 1688 (2C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (DMSO-*d*₆) δ 2.23 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.72 (s, 2H, SCH₂), 3.83–3.82 (d, 2H, $J = 4.3$ Hz, NCH₂), 5.14–5.13 (d, 2H, $J = 4.7$ Hz, Allyl-CH₂), 5.92–5.90 (m, 1H, Allyl-CH), 6.28 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH₂), 7.64–7.62 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.94–7.93 (d, $J = 8.7$, 2H, Ar-H), 8.13–8.12 (d, $J = 7.0$, 2H, Ar-H), 10.72 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (DMSO-*d*₆) δ 15.8 (CH₃), 27.6 (SCH₂), 42.5 (NCH₂), 117.7, 120.3, 122.4, 123.9, 127.5, 129.8, 132.4, 134.4, 136.7, 137.4, 141.0, 144.5, 154.7 (Ar-C), 161.6, 165.8 (2C=O); MS (m/z (Rel. Int.)) 444 (M⁺). Anal. (C₂₀H₂₀N₄O₄S₂, 444.52) C, 54.04 (54.15); H, 4.53 (4.28); N, 12.60 (12.73); S, 14.43 (14.26).

4.1.4.2. N-4-Aminosulphonylphenyl-2-(3-allyl-4-oxo-8-methyl-quinazolin-2yl-thio)-acetamide 8b. Yield (89%); mp 283–285 °C; IR ν 3345–3291 (NH, NH₂), 1725, 1690 (2C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (DMSO-*d*₆) δ 2.22 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.73 (s, 2H, SCH₂), 3.88 (d, 2H, $J = 3.2$ Hz, NCH₂), 5.16 (d, 2H, $J = 4.8$ Hz, Allyl-CH₂), 5.92 (m, 1H, Allyl-CH), 6.27 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH₂), 7.65–7.62 (d, $J = 7.5$, 2H, Ar-H), 7.95–7.94 (d, $J = 8.6$, 2H, Ar-H), 8.13–8.11 (d, $J = 8.4$, 2H, Ar-H), 8.26 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 10.56 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (DMSO-*d*₆) δ 15.5 (CH₃), 26.9 (SCH₂), 40.8

(NCH₂), 117.3, 120.5, 122.1, 123.0, 127.4, 129.5, 132.7, 134.9, 136.4, 137.8, 141.6, 144.7, 154.3 (Ar-C), 160.7, 166.8 (2C=O); MS *m/z* (Rel. Int.) 444 (M⁺, 100). Anal. (C₂₀H₂₀N₄O₄S₂, 444.52) C, 54.04 (53.88); H, 4.53 (4.78); N, 12.60 (12.49); S, 14.43 (14.57).

4.1.4.3. N-4-Aminosulphonylphenyl-2-(3-benzyl-4-oxo-6-methyl-quinazolin-2yl-thio)-acetamide 8c. Yield (86%); mp 258–260 °C; IR ν 3346–3295 (NH, NH₂), 1728, 1685 (2C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (DSMO-*d*₆) δ 2.26 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.83 (s, 2H, SCH₂), 4.47 (s, 2H, NCH₂), 6.27 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 2H, NH₂), 7.67–7.64 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 7.67–7.64 (d, *J* = 7.6, 2H, Ar-H), 7.98–7.97 (d, *J* = 8.6, 2H, Ar-H), 8.12–8.10 (d, *J* = 8.5, 2H, Ar-H), 8.25 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 10.77 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (DSMO-*d*₆) δ 15.6 (CH₃), 29.1 (SCH₂), 46.8 (NCH₂), 119.3, 120.5, 121.3, 125.4, 126.7, 127.5, 128.7, 129.0, 133.4, 136.0, 138.1, 142.5, 144.8, 154.3 (Ar-C), 161.6, 168.5 (2C=O); MS *m/z* (Rel. Int.) 494 (M⁺, 71). Anal. (C₂₄H₂₂N₄O₄S₂, 494.58) C, 58.28 (58.35); H, 4.48 (4.27); N, 11.33 (11.40); S, 12.97 (13.22).

4.1.4.4. N-4-Aminosulphonylphenyl-2-(3-benzyl-4-oxo-8-methyl-quinazolin-2yl-thio)-acetamide 8d. Yield (81%); mp 252–254 °C; IR ν 3345–3298 (NH, NH₂), 1723, 1689 (2C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (DSMO-*d*₆) δ 2.22 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.89 (s, 2H, SCH₂), 4.67 (s, 2H, NCH₂), 6.24 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH₂), 7.67–7.65 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.68–7.65 (d, *J* = 7.5, 2H, Ar-H), 7.87–7.85 (d, *J* = 9.0, 2H, Ar-H), 8.12–8.10 (d, *J* = 8.5, 2H, Ar-H), 8.25–8.23 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 10.94 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (DSMO-*d*₆) δ 16.3 (CH₃), 28.5 (SCH₂), 42.9 (NCH₂), 119.7, 120.2, 121.4, 125.1, 126.8, 127.7, 128.2, 129.1, 133.0, 136.5, 138.7, 142.3, 143.9, 152.7 (Ar-C), 160.7, 165.9 (2C=O); MS *m/z* (Rel. Int.) 494 (M⁺, 71). Anal. (C₂₄H₂₂N₄O₄S₂, 494.58) C, 58.28 (58.31); H, 4.48 (4.59); N, 11.33 (11.14); S, 12.97 (12.71).

4.1.4.5. N-4-Aminosulphonylphenyl-2-(3-benzyl-4-oxo-6-methoxy-quinazolin-2yl-thio)-acetamide 8e. Yield (86%); mp 259–261 °C; IR ν 3346–3296 (NH, NH₂), 1727, 1685 (2C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (DSMO-*d*₆) δ 3.70 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.82 (s, 2H, SCH₂), 4.27 (s, 2H, NCH₂), 6.27 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH₂), 7.66–7.63 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 7.66–7.65 (d, *J* = 7.5, 2H, Ar-H), 7.86–7.85 (d, *J* = 7.3, 2H, Ar-H), 8.11–8.10 (d, *J* = 7.4, 2H, Ar-H), 8.25 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 10.92 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (DSMO-*d*₆) δ 28.8 (SCH₂), 43.6 (NCH₂), 55.9 (OCH₃), 119.3, 121.0, 121.7, 126.0, 127.1, 127.6, 128.4, 129.5, 133.8, 135.1, 141.8, 151.3, 155.2 (Ar-C), 161.4, 166.2 (2C=O); MS *m/z* (Rel. Int.) 510 (M⁺, 75). Anal. (C₂₄H₂₂N₄O₅S₂, 510.58) C, 56.46 (56.30); H, 4.34 (4.57); N, 10.97 (10.85); S, 12.56 (12.24).

4.1.4.6. N-4-Aminosulphonylphenyl-2-(3-benzyl-4-oxo-8-methoxy-quinazolin-2yl-thio)-acetamide 8f. Yield (86%); mp 263–265 °C; IR ν 3339–3299 (NH, NH₂), 1724, 1685 (2C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (DSMO-*d*₆) δ 3.79 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.83 (s, 2H, SCH₂), 4.29 (s, 2H, NCH₂), 6.27 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH₂), 7.67–7.64 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.67–7.66 (d, *J* = 7.6, 2H, Ar-H), 7.88–7.86 (d, *J* = 8.7, 2H, Ar-H), 8.12–8.11 (d, *J* = 8.6, 2H, Ar-H), 8.24–8.22 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 10.95 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (DSMO-*d*₆) δ 28.9 (SCH₂), 43.2 (NCH₂), 56.3 (OCH₃), 119.1, 121.0, 121.6, 125.9, 127.0, 127.5, 128.3, 129.7, 133.9, 135.7, 142.4, 150.3, 153.2 (Ar-C), 161.1, 166.7 (2C=O); MS *m/z* (Rel. Int.) 510 (M⁺, 71). Anal. (C₂₄H₂₂N₄O₅S₂, 510.58) C, 56.46 (56.53); H, 4.34 (4.47); N, 10.97 (11.20); S, 12.56 (12.74).

4.1.4.7. N-4-Aminosulphonylphenyl-2-(3-allyl-4-oxo-6-nitro-quinazolin-2yl-thio)-acetamide 8g. Yield (82%); mp 297–299 °C; IR ν 3347–3295 (NH, NH₂), 1727, 1687 (2C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (DSMO-*d*₆) δ 3.72 (s, 2H, SCH₂), 3.85 (d, 2H, *J* = 3.8 Hz, NCH₂), 5.15 (d, 2H, *J* = 4.9 Hz, Allyl-CH₂), 5.88 (m, 1H, Allyl-CH),

6.29 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH₂), 7.65–7.63 (d, *J* = 7.3, 2H, Ar-H), 7.96–7.95 (d, *J* = 8.6, 2H, Ar-H), 8.13–8.12 (d, *J* = 8.0, 2H, Ar-H), 8.26 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 10.56 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (DSMO-*d*₆) δ 28.0 (SCH₂), 38.9 (NCH₂), 118.1, 121.0, 122.3, 123.5, 127.3, 129.6, 133.1, 134.2, 136.7, 137.2, 141.0, 144.3, 154.9 (Ar-C), 159.8, 166.1 (2C=O); MS *m/z* (Rel. Int.) 475 (M⁺, 82). Anal. (C₁₉H₁₇N₅O₆S₂, 475.49) C, 47.99 (48.16); H, 3.60 (3.82); N, 14.73 (14.96); S, 13.49 (13.37).

4.1.4.8. N-4-Aminosulphonylphenyl-2-(3-benzyl-4-oxo-6-nitro-quinazolin-2yl-thio)-acetamide 8h. Yield (69%); mp 221–223 °C; IR ν 3346–3295 (NH, NH₂), 1728, 1685 (2C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (DSMO-*d*₆) δ 3.81 (s, 2H, SCH₂), 4.36 (s, 2H, NCH₂), 6.25 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH₂), 7.66–7.64 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 7.67–7.65 (d, *J* = 7.0, 2H, Ar-H), 7.98–7.97 (d, *J* = 7.7, 2H, Ar-H), 8.12–8.10 (d, *J* = 6.6, 2H, Ar-H), 8.24 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 10.77 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (DSMO-*d*₆) δ 28.2 (SCH₂), 44.9 (NCH₂), 119.4, 120.5, 121.3, 125.4, 126.7, 127.5, 128.7, 129.0, 133.4, 136.0, 138.1, 142.5, 144.8, 154.3 (Ar-C), 161.6, 168.5 (2C=O); MS *m/z* (Rel. Int.) 525 (M⁺, 82). Anal. (C₂₃H₁₉N₅O₆S₂, 525.56) C, 52.56 (52.67); H, 3.64 (3.85); N, 13.33 (13.52); S, 12.20 (11.95).

4.1.4.9. N-4-Aminosulphonylphenyl-2-(3-benzyl-4-thioxo-5-methyl-quinazolin-2yl-thio)-acetamide 9a. Yield (70%); mp 255–57 °C; IR ν 3344–3288 (NH, NH₂), 1681 (C=O), 1273 (C=S) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (DSMO-*d*₆) δ 2.29 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.83 (s, 2H, SCH₂), 4.33 (s, 2H, NCH₂), 6.23 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH₂), 7.62–7.61 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.66–7.65 (d, *J* = 8.1, 2H, Ar-H), 7.95–7.94 (d, *J* = 7.0, 2H, Ar-H), 8.11–8.09 (d, *J* = 7.1, 2H, Ar-H), 8.25–8.23 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 10.77 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (DSMO-*d*₆) δ 16.2 (CH₃), 27.3 (SCH₂), 45.5 (NCH₂), 118.7, 119.6, 120.8, 126.7, 127.0, 127.6, 128.6, 129.1, 138.6, 141.8, 146.9, 151.2, 159.5 (Ar-C), 160.0, 166.2 (2C=O); MS *m/z* (Rel. Int.) 510 (M⁺, 68). Anal. (C₂₄H₂₂N₄O₃S₃, 510.65) C, 56.45 (56.59); H, 4.34 (4.51); N, 10.97 (11.18); S, 18.84 (18.97).

4.1.4.10. N-4-Aminosulphonylphenyl-2-(3-benzyl-4-thioxo-6-methyl-quinazolin-2yl-thio)-acetamide 9b. Yield (73%); mp 242–244 °C; IR ν 3348–3298 (NH, NH₂), 1688 (C=O), 1275 (C=S) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (DSMO-*d*₆) δ 2.36 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.77 (s, 2H, SCH₂), 3.85 (s, 2H, NCH₂), 7.65–7.63 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 7.66–7.64 (d, *J* = 7.6, 2H, Ar-H), 7.95–7.93 (d, *J* = 8.0, 2H, Ar-H), 8.12–8.11 (d, *J* = 6.5, 2H, Ar-H), 8.24 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 10.79 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (DSMO-*d*₆) δ 16.1 (CH₃), 27.3 (SCH₂), 47.5 (NCH₂), 118.7, 119.6, 120.8, 126.7, 127.0, 127.6, 128.6, 129.1, 138.6, 141.8, 146.9, 151.2, 159.5 (Ar-C), 160.0 (C=O), 186.5 (C=S); MS *m/z* (Rel. Int.) 510 (M⁺, 100). Anal. (C₂₄H₂₂N₄O₃S₃, 510.65) C, 56.45 (56.60); H, 4.34 (4.15); N, 10.97 (11.13); S, 18.84 (18.99).

4.1.4.11. N-4-Aminosulphonylphenyl-2-(3-benzyl-4-thioxo-8-methyl-quinazolin-2yl-thio)-acetamide 9c. Yield (76%); mp 265–67 °C; IR ν 3344–3295 (NH, NH₂), 1686 (C=O), 1279 (C=S) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (DSMO-*d*₆) δ 2.25 (m, 3H, CH₃), 3.75 (s, 2H, SCH₂), 3.86 (s, 2H, NCH₂), 7.64–7.60 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.65–7.64 (d, *J* = 7.0, 2H, Ar-H), 7.95–7.94 (d, *J* = 7.1, 2H, Ar-H), 8.12–8.10 (d, *J* = 7.3, 2H, Ar-H), 8.27–8.25 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 10.83 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (DSMO-*d*₆) δ 16.5 (CH₃), 27.25 (SCH₂), 46.1 (NCH₂), 119.2, 119.9, 121.4, 126.1, 127.1, 127.7, 128.5, 129.2, 138.9, 142.0, 147.3, 151.2, 159.4 (Ar-C), 163.4 (C=O), 184.9 (C=S); MS *m/z* (Rel. Int.) 510 (M⁺, 100). Anal. (C₂₄H₂₂N₄O₃S₃, 510.65) C, 56.45 (56.54); H, 4.34 (4.44); N, 10.97 (10.81); S, 18.84 (19.05).

4.1.4.12. N-4-Aminosulphonylphenyl-2-(3-benzyl-4-thioxo-8-methoxy-quinazolin-2yl-thio)-acetamide 9d. Yield (76%); mp 245–47 °C; IR ν 3344–3298 (NH, NH₂), 1689 (C=O), 1276 (C=S) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (DSMO-*d*₆) δ 3.76 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.81 (s, 2H, SCH₂), 4.31 (s, 2H, NCH₂), 6.25 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH₂), 7.65–7.63 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.66–7.65 (d, *J* = 7.5, 2H, Ar-H), 7.88–7.87 (d, *J* = 8.1, 2H, Ar-H), 8.12–8.11 (d, *J* = 8.3, 2H, Ar-H), 8.26–8.25 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 10.91 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (DSMO-*d*₆) δ 28.1 (SCH₂), 43.0 (NCH₂), 55.4 (OCH₃), 120.6, 121.1, 121.9, 125.5, 127.1, 127.7, 128.3, 129.6, 133.2, 135.7, 142.6, 151.0, 154.6 (Ar-C), 160.7 (C=O), 188.5 (C=S); MS *m/z* (Rel. Int.) 526 (M⁺, 74). Anal. (C₂₄H₂₂N₄O₄S₃, 526.65) C, 54.73 (54.50); H, 4.21 (4.40); N, 10.64 (10.45); S, 18.27 (17.98).

4.1.4.13. N-4-Aminosulphonylphenyl-2-(3-benzyl-4-thioxo-6-nitro-quinazolin-2yl-thio)-acetamide 9e. Yield (76%); mp 239–241 °C; IR ν 3341–3296 (NH, NH₂), 1687 (C=O), 1277 (C=S), cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (DSMO-*d*₆) δ 3.49 (s, 2H, SCH₂), 4.67 (s, 2H, NCH₂), 6.24 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH₂), 7.67–7.65 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 7.68–7.65 (d, *J* = 7.5, 2H, Ar-H), 7.87–7.85 (d, *J* = 9.0, 2H, Ar-H), 8.12–8.10 (d, *J* = 8.5, 2H, Ar-H), 8.26 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 10.94 (s, D₂O exchangeable, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (DSMO-*d*₆) δ 28.5 (SCH₂), 42.9 (NCH₂), 119.7, 120.2, 121.4, 125.1, 126.8, 127.7, 128.2, 129.1, 133.0, 136.5, 138.7, 142.3, 143.9, 152.7 (Ar-C), 160.7 (C=O), 187.2 (C=S); MS *m/z* (Rel. Int.) 541 (M⁺, 68). Anal. (C₂₃H₁₉N₅O₅S₃, 541.65) C, 51.00 (51.24); H, 3.54 (3.48); N, 12.93 (13.10); S, 17.76 (17.51).

4.2. CA inhibition studies

An Applied Photophysics stopped-flow instrument has been used for assaying the CA catalyzed CO₂ hydration activity.¹⁷ Phenol red (at a concentration of 0.2 mM) has been used as indicator, working at the absorbance maximum of 557 nm, with 20 mM Hepes (pH 7.4) and 20 mM NaBF₄ (for maintaining constant the ionic strength), following the initial rates of the CA-catalyzed CO₂ hydration reaction for a period of 10–100 s. The CO₂ concentrations ranged from 1.7 to 17 mM for the determination of the kinetic parameters and inhibition constants. For each inhibitor, at least six traces of the initial 5–10% of the reaction have been used for determining the initial velocity. The uncatalyzed rates were determined in the same manner and subtracted from the total observed rates. Stock solutions of inhibitor (10 mM) were prepared in DMSO and dilutions up to 0.01 nM were done thereafter with the assay buffer. Inhibitor and enzyme solutions were preincubated together for 15 min at RT prior to assay, in order to allow for the formation of the E–I complex. The inhibition constants were obtained by non-linear least-squares methods using PRISM 3, and the Cheng–Prusoff equation, as reported earlier,^{18–20} and represent the mean from at least three different determinations. All CAs were recombinant proteins obtained as reported earlier by these groups.^{18–20}

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