

KAl(SO₄)₂•12H₂O (Alum) Catalyzed One-Pot Three-Component Synthesis of 2-Alkyl and 2-Aryl-4(3H)-quinazolinone under Microwave Irradiation and Solvent Free Conditions

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Twenty 2,3-disubstituted-4(3H)-quinazolinones were synthesized by one-pot three-component method with isatoic anhydride, orthoesters and amines as raw materials in the presence of KAl(SO₄)₂•12H₂O (Alum) under microwave irradiation and solvent-free conditions. 6-Bromo-2-propyl-3-*p*-tolylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (**4m**), 6-bromo-2-methyl-3-phenethylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (**4n**) and 6-bromo-2-ethyl-3-phenethylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (**4o**) were characterized by IR, ¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR and elemental analysis.

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Introduction

4(3H)-Quinazolinones is a frequently encountered heterocycle in pharmacological literatures. Among the most important effects are hypnotic, anticonvulsant,¹ muscle relaxant,² analgesic,³ antiinflammatory,⁴ antibacterial⁵ activities and as a potent non-nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitors, of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV-1).⁶ These useful compounds are prepared by various methods.⁷⁻⁹

Multi-component reactions (MCRs) constitute an especially attractive synthetic strategy for rapid and efficient library generation due to the fact that the diversity can be achieved simply by varying the reacting components.

Experimental

Melting points were measured on the Electrothermal 9100 apparatus and are uncorrected. IR spectra were measured on a Shimadzu IR-470 Spectrophotometer. ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra were determined on Bruker 300 DRX Avance instrument at 300 and 75 MHz, respectively. MS spectra were recorded on a Shimadzu QP 1100EX mass spectrometer operating at an ionization potential of 70 eV. Elemental analyses were performed using a Heracus CHN-O-Rapid analyzer.

General procedure

A mixture of isatoic anhydride (0.34 g, 2.5 mmol), orthoesters (4 mmol), amine (2.5 mmol), and KAl(SO₄)₂•12H₂O (Alum) (0.1 g) in a tall beaker was placed in the microwave oven and beaker was covered

with a stemless funnel and irradiated with power and time as indicated in Table 1. After completion of the reaction (monitored by TLC, ethyl acetate/*n*-hexane, 1/1), water (15 mL) was added to the reaction mixture, and the resulting solid was separated by filtration. The crude product was recrystallized from ethanol to give the pure product in good yield.

6-Bromo-2-propyl-3-*p*-tolylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (4m) 95%, m.p. 160–62 °C; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz) δ: 0.86 (t, *J*=7.3 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.66–1.78 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.37 (t, *J*=7.8 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 2.47 (s, 3H, CH₃), 7.13 (d, *J*=8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.32 (d, *J*=8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.56 (d, *J*=8.7 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.82 (dd, *J*=2.0, 8.7 Hz, 1H, Ar), 8.39 (d, *J*=2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 75 MHz) δ: 0.03, 13.79, 20.41, 21.33, 37.69, 119.83, 122.19, 127.87, 128.92, 129.45, 130.61, 134.38, 137.52, 139.46, 146.43, 157.68, 161.46; IR (KBr) ν: 3063, 2972, 1679 (C=O) cm⁻¹; MS (70 eV) *m/z* (%): 357 (M⁺, 25), 340 (35), 329 (100), 240 (30), 197 (60), 91 (50), 65 (35), 41 (25). Anal. calcd for C₁₈H₁₇BrN₂O: C 60.52, H 4.80, N 7.84; found C 60.40, H 4.71, N 7.76.

6-Bromo-2-methyl-3-phenethylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (4n) 94%, m.p. 140–42 °C; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz) δ: 2.44 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.04 (t, *J*=7.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 4.28 (t, *J*=7.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 7.22–7.38 (m, 5H, Ar), 7.46 (d, *J*=8.7 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.89 (dd, *J*=2.3, 8.7 Hz, 1H, Ar), 8.43 (d, *J*=2.3 Hz, 1H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 75 MHz) δ: 23.19, 34.47, 46.61, 119.79, 121.86, 127.06, 128.61, 128.83, 128.88, 129.24, 137.45, 137.74, 146.11, 154.62, 160.85; IR (KBr) ν: 3047, 2963, 1674 (C=O) cm⁻¹; MS (70 eV) *m/z* (%): 344 (M⁺, 55), 138 (70), 222 (35), 104 (100), 91 (40), 75 (30), 65 (25). Anal.

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calcd for $C_{17}H_{15}BrN_2O$: C 59.49, H 4.41, N 8.16; found C 59.38, H 4.35, N 8.07.

6-Bromo-2-ethyl-3-phenethylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (4o) 93%, m.p. 116–118 °C; 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 300 MHz) δ : 1.32 (t, $J=7.3$ Hz, 2H, CH_3), 2.65 (q, $J=7.3$ Hz, 2H, CH_2), 2.98 (t, $J=7.6$ Hz, 2H, CH_2), 4.25 (t, $J=7.6$ Hz, 2H, CH_2), 7.23–7.40 (m, 5H, Ar), 7.49 (d, $J=8.6$ Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.87 (dd, $J=2.2$, 8.6 Hz, 1H, Ar), 8.43 (d, $J=2.2$ Hz, 1H, Ar); ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 75 MHz) δ : 0.06, 11.34, 28.22, 34.71, 45.54, 119.69, 121.84, 126.98, 128.82, 128.86, 128.93, 129.16, 137.24, 137.78, 146.14, 157.97, 161.03; IR (KBr) ν : 2971, 2925, 1677 (C=O) cm^{-1} ; MS (70 eV) m/z (%): 358 (M^+ , 35), 252 (85), 210 (35), 104 (100), 91 (25), 75 (25), 65 (35). Anal. calcd for $C_{18}H_{17}BrN_2O$: C 60.52, H 4.80, N 7.84; found C 60.42, H 4.73, N 7.73.

Results and discussion

We reported the preparation of quinazolinones,¹⁰ imidazoles,¹¹ 6-oxopyrano[2,3-*c*]isochromenes,¹² and 2-amino-4*H*-chromenes¹³ via multi-component reactions. In addition, we have reported the ability of $KAl(SO_4)_2 \cdot 12H_2O$ (Alum) as an effective catalyst in the synthesis of *cis*-isoquinolonic acid,¹⁴ and di-hydropyrimidines.¹⁵ In view of this and also in continuation to our interest on multi-component reactions (MCR), we report herein, a simple, facile, rapid and efficient MCRs for the preparation of some new 2,3-disubstituted 4(3*H*)-quinazolinone derivatives with $KAl(SO_4)_2 \cdot 12H_2O$ (Alum) as a nontoxic, inexpensive, very soluble in wa-

ter, recyclable, and easy available reagent.

In the present work, we achieved a one-pot, three-component condensation of isatoic anhydride **1**, triethyl orthoacetate **2a**, and aniline **3a** on the surface of Alum under microwave irradiation as a new efficient method to produce 2-methyl-3-phenyl quinazolin-4(3*H*)-ones (**4a**) (Figure 1). Encouraged by this success, we extended this reaction to a range of other orthoesters **2b–2u** and amine **3b–3u** under similar conditions, furnishing the respective 2,3-disubstituted 4(3*H*)-quinazolinones (**4b–4u**) in good yields. The optimized results are summarized in Table 1. The structures of the products are supported by IR, 1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectral data.

According to the results, the reaction can be mechanistically considered to proceed via the initial formation of the intermediates **5** from isatoic anhydride and amines, and then the former reaction followed by reac-

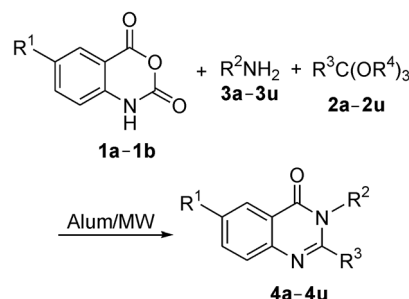


Figure 1 The synthetic route of the 2,3-disubstituted-4(3*H*)-quinazolinone (**4**).

Table 1 Synthesis of 2,3-disubstituted-4(3*H*)-quinazolinone **4**

Product 4	R ¹	R ²	R ³ (R ⁴)	Time/min	Yield ^a /%	m.p./°C	Lit. m.p./°C
4a	H	Ph	Me (Et)	5	96, 95, 93, 92 ^b	144–146	145–146 ¹⁶
4b	H	<i>p</i> -ClC ₆ H ₄	Me (Et)	6	96	158–159	157–158 ¹⁷
4c	H	<i>p</i> -MeC ₆ H ₄	Ph (Me)	6	97	179–180	180–181 ¹⁸
4d	H	Ph	<i>n</i> -Pr (Me)	6	97	120–121	121–122 ¹⁹
4e	H	<i>p</i> -BrC ₆ H ₄	Et (Et)	5	96	170–171	170–172 ²⁰
4f	H	Et	Me (Et)	7	85	64–66	64–65 ²¹
4g	H	Me	Ph (Et)	5	82	129–131	131–132 ²²
4h	H	Me	Me (Et)	5	92	195–197	194–196 ¹⁸
4i	H	<i>p</i> -EtC ₆ H ₄	H (Et)	6	89	126–128	127–128 ²³
4j	H	<i>p</i> -MeC ₆ H ₄	H (Et)	6	90	143–144	144–145 ²⁴
4k	H	PhCH ₂	H (Et)	7	86	114–116	115–116 ²⁵
4m	Br	<i>p</i> -MeC ₆ H ₄	<i>n</i> -Pr (Et)	7	95	160–162	—
4n	Br	PhCH ₂ CH ₂ -	Me (Me)	6	94	140–142	—
4o	Br	PhCH ₂ CH ₂ -	Et (Me)	6	93	116–118	—
4p	H	H from (NH ₄ AcO)	H (Et)	6	92	214–215	216–218 ²⁶
4q	H	H from (NH ₄ AcO)	Me (Et)	7	95	235–236	236–237 ²⁷
4r	H	H from (NH ₄ AcO)	Et (Et)	7	96	235–236	235 ²⁸
4s	H	H from (NH ₄ AcO)	<i>n</i> -Pr (Me)	7	94	197–198	206–207 ²⁸ , 190 ²⁹
4t	H	H from (NH ₄ AcO)	<i>n</i> -Bu (Me)	8	94	158–159	157 ³⁰
4u	H	H from (NH ₄ AcO)	Ph (Et)	6	95	237–238	235–236 ³¹

^a Isolated yields. ^b The same $KAl(SO_4)_2 \cdot 12H_2O$ (Alum) was used for each of the four runs.

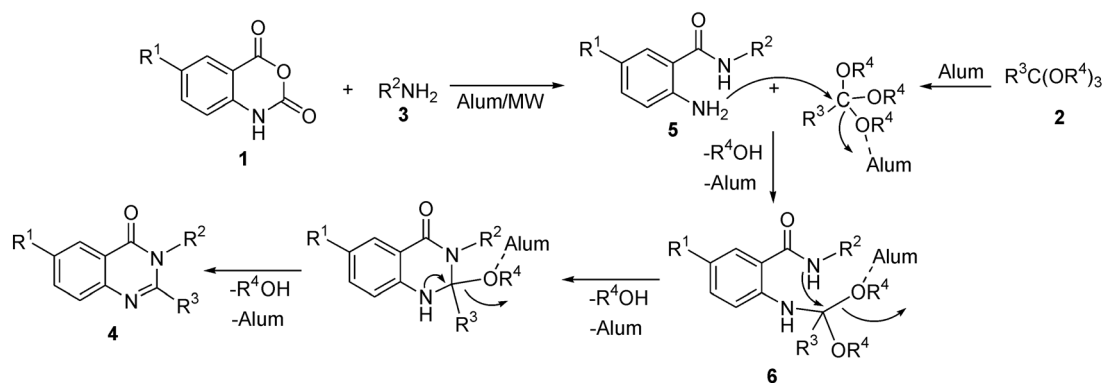


Figure 2 Plausible mechanism for the synthesis of 2,3-disubstituted-4(3H)-quinazolinone catalyzed by $\text{KAl}(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 12\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (Alum).

tion with orthoesters in the presence of alum gives the intermediate **6**. Once intermediate **6** is formed, a nucleophilic attack takes place by the nitrogen group, and then elimination of ROH and Alum occurs to produce the final product (Figure 2).

Conclusions

In summary, we have described a successful strategy including an efficient and convenient green synthesis, for the preparation of some new 2,3-disubstituted-4-(3H)-quinazolinone in three-component cyclocondensation reaction of isatoic anhydride, orthoesters and amines. The method offers several advantages including high yield of products, using the inexpensive, nontoxic, and easily available $\text{KAl}(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 12\text{H}_2\text{O}$ catalyst, and an easy experimental workup procedure that makes it a useful process for the synthesis of 2,3-disubstituted-4(3H)-quinazolinones.

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