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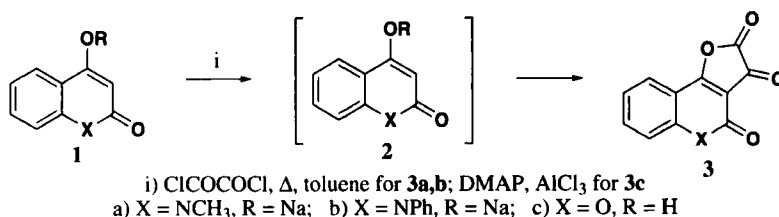
## SYNTHESIS AND REACTIONS OF FURO[3,2-c]QUINOLINES AND FURO[3,2-c]COUMARINS.

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As a continuation of our studies on the synthesis<sup>1,2</sup> and reactivity<sup>3-8</sup> of pyrrolo- and furano-2,3-dione, we reported that quinoline-2,4-dione reacted with oxalyl chloride to afford oxazolo[3,2-a]quinolone.<sup>9</sup> Prompted by these results, we investigated the reaction of oxalyl chloride with N-substituted quinolones **1a,b** and 4-hydroxycoumarin **1c**. Since, the fusion of a furan-2,3-dione ring to quinolone or coumarin systems might influence their reactivity, it was thought desirable to synthesize systems having both rings.

Reaction of the sodium salt<sup>10</sup> of N-substituted quinolones **1a,b** with an equimolar ratio of oxalyl chloride in dry toluene at 60°C gave yellow furo[3,2-c]quinolones **3a,b** in 73% and 75% yield respectively (*Scheme 1*). Elemental analyses and spectral data helped characterize the

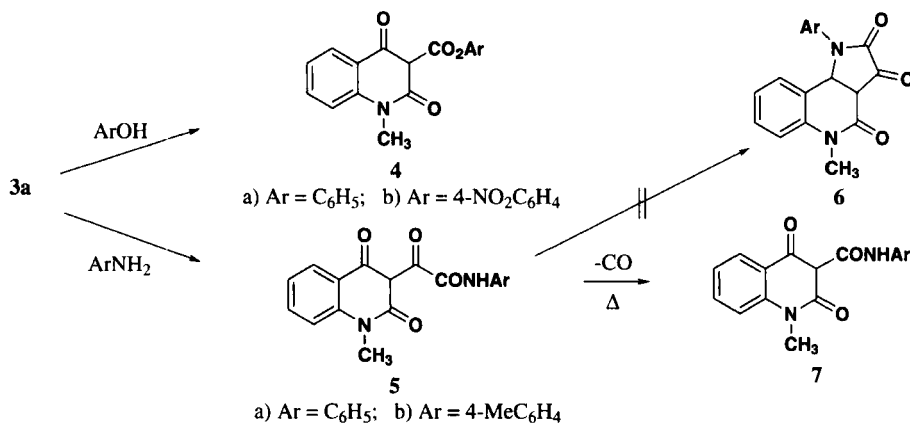


**Scheme 1**

structure of the products. The IR spectrum of **3a** displayed characteristic absorption bands at 1835, 1780 and 1645 cm<sup>-1</sup> for three CO groups. Its <sup>1</sup>H NMR showed the absence of a singlet<sup>9</sup> at δ 6.19 (=CH) and the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum exhibited signals at 188.1, 161.1 and 157.2 for three C=O groups.

Reaction of 4-hydroxycoumarin **1c** with oxalyl chloride, in the presence of 4-dimethylaminopyridine<sup>11</sup> at reflux in 1,2-dichloroethane for 8 h, gave acid chloride derivative **2c**<sup>1,12</sup> (not isolated), which was then cyclized to 2,3-dioxo-2,3-dihydrofuro[3,2-c]coumarin-2,3,4-trione **3c** with anhydrous aluminum chloride in 1,2-dichloroethane. The elemental analysis and spectral data (*see Experimental Section*) were consistent with the assigned structure. The reactivity of **3a**

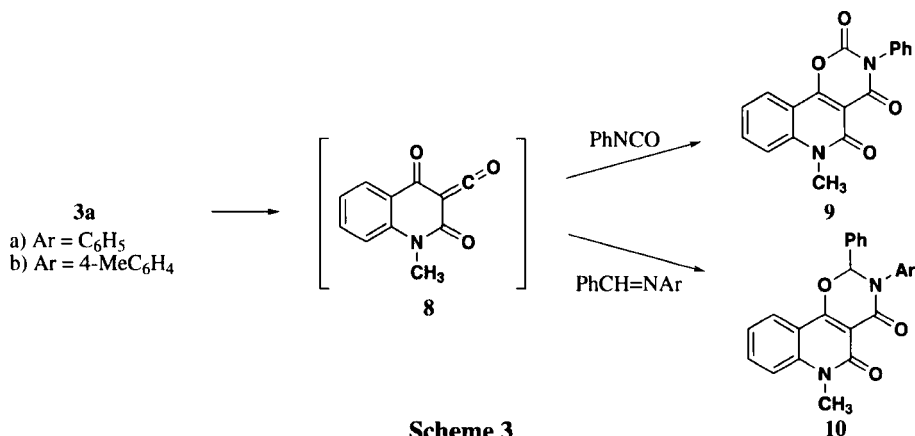
was examined by reactions with phenols and aromatic amines to give ester and amide derivatives<sup>13,14</sup> **4** and **5** respectively. The ester **4a,b** was formed from the reaction of phenols with furo[3,2-c]quinolone **3a** at rather low temperature,<sup>15</sup> namely 70–75°C, as shown in *Scheme 2*. In



Scheme 2

the presence of a CH signal at  $\delta$  4.54 and 4.56, the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of **5a,b** indicates that the *keto* form is the only one present. The <sup>13</sup>C NMR of **5a** shows characteristic signals at 28.52 (NCH<sub>3</sub>), 78.58 (CH), 154.00 (CO of amide), 154.87 (C-2), 191.0 (CO) and 194.8 (C-4). Several attempts to cyclize the amide derivative **5** to pyrroledione **6** by using polyphosphoric acid or acetic anhydride as the dehydrating agent were not successful. It is worth noting that heating **5a,b** above its melting point in diphenyl ether gave **7a,b** in 32% and 42% yield respectively by extrusion of carbon monoxide. Elemental analysis and spectral data confirmed the structures of **4**, **5** and **7**.

Thermolysis of **3a** in diphenyl ether at reflux for 20 min gave  $\alpha$ -oxoketene intermediate **8** in a way similar to that which we reported recently.<sup>6,13</sup> The formation of **8** was established by trapping with different heterocumulenes, *e. g.* phenyl isocyanate and Schiff's base to give oxazinedione **9** and oxazine derivatives **10a,b** respectively as shown in *Scheme 3*.



Scheme 3

The chemical shift of C-2 in **9** and **10** is in the region usually known from O-C-N system.<sup>6,16</sup> The assignment of all ring carbons of **9** and **10** provided confirmation of the oxazine ring system. Furthermore, the reaction of  $\alpha$ -oxoketene intermediate **8** with phenols and amines furnished esters **4a,b** and amides **5a,b** derivatives in 46, 50% and 35, 40% yield respectively.

## EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

All mps were determined on a Gallenkamp Melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. Infrared spectra were measured as KBr pellets on a Perkin-Elmer Model 298 spectrophotometer. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian XL-200 spectrometer in CDCl<sub>3</sub> or DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> and TMS as an internal reference; chemical shifts are expressed as  $\delta$  ppm. Analytical data were obtained on a C,H,N-Elemental Analyzer Carlo Erba 1106. Silica gel 60 (Merck, 230-400 mesh) was used for flash chromatography with chloroform:n-hexane (10:3) as eluent.

**Synthesis of Furo[3,2-*c*]quinolones 3a,b.**- A suspension of 3 mmol of powdered sodium salt of **1a,b**<sup>10</sup> was heated in dry toluene with 0.257 mL, 3 mmol of oxalyl chloride at 60°C for 2 h. The mixture was centrifuged to separate NaCl. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure yielded a yellow residue which was recrystallized from dry acetonitrile to afford **3a,b** in 73% and 75% yield respectively.

**5-Methyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydrofuro[3,2-*c*]quinoline-2,3,4-trione (3a).**- 73% yield, yellow crystals, mp. 138°C (dec.). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2980 aliphatic (CH), 1835, 1780 and 1645 cm<sup>-1</sup> for three (C=O). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  3.67 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>) and 7.34-8.02 (m, 4H, aromatic-H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  29.37 (NCH<sub>3</sub>), 107.8, 112.32, 116.3, 116.9, 122.3, 122.9, 132.3, 137.8, 157.2, 161.4, 185.6 and 188.1.

*Anal.* Calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>7</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>: C, 62.89; H, 3.08; N, 6.11. Found: C, 62.75; H, 3.12; N, 5.98

**5-Phenyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydrofuro[3,2-*c*]quinoline-2,3,4-trione (3b).**- 75% yield, yellow crystals, mp. 157°C (dec.). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3050 (aromatic CH), 1830, 1760 and 1635 cm<sup>-1</sup> for three (C=O). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.28-8.25 (m, 9H, aromatic-H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  107.8, 112.2, 116.1, 120.9, 123.5, 127.2, 128.2, 128.4, 132.8, 138.3, 138.7, 160.2, 161.1, 186.8 and 187.6.

*Anal.* Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>9</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>: C, 70.10; H, 3.11; N, 4.81. Found: C, 69.88; H, 3.09; N, 4.59

**3,4-Dihydro-2H-furo[3,2-*c*]coumarin-2,3,4-trione (3c).**- A solution of the 4-hydroxycoumarin (16.2 g, 0.1 mol), oxalyl chloride (27.9 g, 0.22 mol) and 4-dimethylaminopyridine (0.5 g, 0.041 mol)<sup>11</sup> in chloroform (200 mL) was refluxed for 5 h. The solution was concentrated *in vacuo* and the residual oil was dissolved in 1,2-dichloroethane (70 mL), and added dropwise at room temperature into a suspension of aluminum chloride (0.3 mol) in 1,2-dichloroethane (100 mL). After 24 h, the reaction mixture was quenched with ice water (50 mL). The yellow oil was extracted with 1,2-dichloroethane, dried (molecular sieves 4°A) and concentrated *in vacuo*. The yellow residue was purified by flash chromatography using chloroform:n-hexane (10:3) as eluent to give 6.9 g. (32% yield) **3c** as pale yellow crystals, mp. 162°C (dec.). IR: 3040 aromatic (CH), 1825, 1750 and 1635 cm<sup>-1</sup> for three (C=O). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.30-8.05 (m, 4H, aromatic-H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  103.7, 114.4, 114.8, 122.3, 131.9, 154.4, 158.7, 161.9, 169.6, and 184.9.

*Anal.* Calcd for  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_4\text{O}_5$ : C, 61.12; H, 1.78. Found: C, 60.87; H, 1.80

**Reaction of Furo[3,2-*c*]quinolone 3a with Phenols. General Procedure for 4a,b.** A mixture of 0.299 g. 1 mmol of furo[3,2-*c*]quinolone **3a** and 1 mmol of the corresponding phenols was heated at 70-75°C overnight. Upon cooling and treatment with ether, the product **4a,b** which separated as a white powder was collected and recrystallized from ethanol.

**Phenyl 1-Methyl-2,4-dioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-quinolinecarboxylate (4a).** 35% yield, white powder, mp. 235°C. IR ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 2980, 1745, 1675 and 1665  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  for aliphatic (CH), ester and two (C=O) groups respectively.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (DMSO):  $\delta$  3.35 (s, 3H,  $\text{NCH}_3$ ), 4.85 (s, 1H, CH), 7.10-8.25 (m, 9H, aromatic-H).

*Anal.* Calcd for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_4$ : C, 69.15; H, 4.44; N, 4.74. Found: C, 68.97; H, 4.23; N, 4.61

**4-Nitrophenyl 1-Methyl-2,4-dioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-quinolinecarboxylate (4b).** 53% yield, white powder, mp. 257°C. IR ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 2980, 1740, 1670 and 1660  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  for aliphatic (CH), ester and two (C=O) groups respectively.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (DMSO):  $\delta$  3.40 (s, 3H,  $\text{NCH}_3$ ), 4.92 (s, 1H, CH), 7.13-8.15 (m, 8H, aromatic-H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (DMSO):  $\delta$  27.5 ( $\text{NCH}_3$ ), 73.2 (C-3), 119.5, 119.7, 125.7, 126.3, 127.6, 129.5, 132.3, 142.5, 144.6, 156.5 aromatic carbons, 157.8 (C-2), 162.5 (CO ester) and 190.8 (C-4).

*Anal.* Calcd for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_2\text{O}_6$ : C, 60.00; H, 3.55; N, 8.23. Found: C, 59.81; H, 3.45; N, 8.06

**Reaction of Furo[3,2-*c*]quinolone 3a with Aromatic Amines. General Procedure for 5a,b.** To a solution of **3a** (0.359 g. 1.2 mmol) in 10 mL of dry  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$  was added a solution of 1.2 mmol of the corresponding amines in 5 mL of  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ . The product which formed after two hours, was collected and recrystallized from ethanol to give **5a,b** in 78 and 80% yields respectively.

***N*-1-Phenyl-2-(1-methyl-2,4-dioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-quinolinyl)-2-oxoacetamide (5a).** 78% yield, white powder, mp. 184°C (dec.). IR ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3400-3250, 2985, 1735, 1715 and 1680  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  for (NH), aliphatic (CH) and three (C=O) groups respectively.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (DMSO):  $\delta$  3.39 (s, 3H,  $\text{NCH}_3$ ), 4.54 (s, 1H, CH), 7.09-7.85 (m, 9H, aromatic-H) and 12.19 (s, 1H, NH).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (DMSO):  $\delta$  28.5 ( $\text{NCH}_3$ ), 78.5 (C-H), 154.0 (CO of amide), 154.8 (C-2), 119.4, 122.2, 123.9, 125.5, 126.6, 128.5, 131.5, 132.8, 136.1, 141.4 aromatic carbons, 191.0 (CO), 194.8 (C-4).

*Anal.* Calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ : C, 67.08; H, 4.38; N, 8.69. Found: C, 66.83; H, 4.12; N, 8.57

***N*-1-4-Methylphenyl-2-(1-methyl-2,4-dioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-quinolinyl)-2-oxoacetamide (5b).** 80% yield, white powder, mp. 214°C (dec.). IR ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3350-3250, 2980, 1740, 1710 and 1675  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  for (NH), aliphatic (CH) and three (C=O) groups respectively.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (DMSO):  $\delta$  2.15 (s, 3H,  $\text{p-CH}_3$ ), 3.45 (s, 3H,  $\text{NCH}_3$ ), 4.56 (s, 1H, CH), 7.25-7.95 (m, 8H, aromatic-H) and 12.16 (s, 1H, NH).

*Anal.* Calcd for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ : C, 67.85; H, 4.79; N, 8.33. Found: C, 67.70; H, 4.68; N, 8.21

**Thermolysis of 5a,b.** 1 mmol of **5a,b** was heated at reflux in diphenyl ether (20 mL) for 30 min, the reaction mixture was left to cool, then 10 mL of *n*-hexane was added. The product was

collected, and recrystallized from ethanol to give **7a,b** as white powders in 32 and 42% yield respectively.

**N-3-Phenyl-1-methyl-2,4-dioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-quinolinecarboxamide (7a).**- 32% yield, white powder, mp. 205°C. IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3350-3250, 2980, 1750, 1690 and 1660 cm<sup>-1</sup> for (NH), aliphatic (CH) and (C=O) group respectively. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO): δ 3.43 (s, 3H, NCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.97 (s, 1H, CH), 7.38-7.64 (m, 9H, aromatic-H) and 11.38 (s, 1H, NH). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO): δ 27.2 (NCH<sub>3</sub>), 76.9 (C-3), 119.4, 119.8, 125.3, 125.6, 127.3, 130.6, 130.8, 132.5, 135.2 and 142.2 aromatic carbons, 159.2 (C-2), 171.6 (CO amide) and 183.4 (C-4).

*Anal.* Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>14</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 69.38; H, 4.79; N, 9.52. Found: C, 69.11; H, 4.65; N, 9.34

**N-3-4-Methylphenyl-1-methyl-2,4-dioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-quinolinecarboxamide (7b).**- 42% yield, white powder, mp. 228°C. IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3350-3250, 2980, 1745, 1680 and 1660 cm<sup>-1</sup> for (NH), aliphatic (CH) and (C=O) group respectively. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO): δ 2.15 (s, 1H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.40 (s, 3H, NCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.95 (s, 1H, CH), 7.30-7.70 (m, 8H, aromatic-H) and 11.45 (s, 1H, NH).

*Anal.* Calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 70.12; H, 5.23; N, 9.09. Found: C, 69.87; H, 4.95; N, 8.89

#### Reaction of α-Oxoketene **8** with Phenyl Isocyanate, Schiff's bases, Phenols and Amines.

**General Procedure.**- To a solution of compound **3a** (0.358 g. 1.2 mmol) in 15 mL of diphenyl ether which was heated at 165°C, was added dropwise over 15 min a solution of 1.2 mmol phenyl isocyanate, (Schiff's bases, phenols or amines) in 3 mL of diphenyl ether. Heating was continued for 30 min. The reaction mixture was allowed to cool to room temperature, followed by the addition of 30 mL of *n*-hexane. The product was collected by suction to give **10a,b**, **4a,b** or **5a,b** respectively, which were crystallized from ethanol.

**6-Methyl-3-phenyl-3,4,5,6-tetrahydro-2H-[1,3]oxazino[5,6-*c*]quinoline-2,4,5-trione (9).**- 45% yield, white powder, mp. 205°C. IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2980, 1780, 1680 and 1620 cm<sup>-1</sup> for aliphatic (CH), (C=O) and (C=C) group respectively. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO): δ 3.69 (s, 3H, NCH<sub>3</sub>), 7.21-8.25 (m, 9H, aromatic-H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO): δ 28.5 (NCH<sub>3</sub>), 107.1 (C-4a), 118.2, 119.4, 125.6, 125.9, 126.6, 129.3, 130.5, 132.8, 134.2 aromatic carbons, 142.5 (C-6a), 150.5 (C-2), 158.1 (C-4), 158.4 (C-5) and 171.3 (C-10b).

*Anal.* Calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C, 67.50; H, 3.78; N, 8.75. Found: C, 67.28; H, 3.68; N, 8.59

**6-Methyl-2,3-diphenyl-3,4,5,6-tetrahydro-2H-[1,3]oxazino[5,6-*c*]quinoline-4,5-dione (10a).**- 63% yield, white powder, mp. 213°C. IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2980, 1785, 1680 and 1620 cm<sup>-1</sup> for aliphatic (CH), (C=O) and (C=C) group respectively. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 3.74 (s, 3H, NCH<sub>3</sub>), 6.93 (s, 1H, O-CH-N), 6.86-7.94 (m, 14H, aromatic-H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 29.3 (NCH<sub>3</sub>), 84.9 (C-2), 102.7 (C-4a), 113.5, 116.40, 124.4, 127.25, 130.54, 132.1, 132.54, 139.57, 139.2 aromatic carbons, 154.4 (C-4), 158.91 (C-5) and 170.54 (C-10b).

*Anal.* Calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 75.38; H, 4.74; N, 7.33. Found: C, 75.21; H, 4.56; N, 7.21

**6-Methyl-3-(4-methylphenyl)-2-phenyl-3,4,5,6-tetrahydro-2H-[1,3]oxazino[5,6-*c*]quinoline-4,5-dione (10b).**- 65% yield, white powder, mp. 234°C. IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2980, 1780, 1675 and 1610 cm<sup>-1</sup> for aliphatic (CH), (C=O) and (C=C) group respectively. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO): δ 2.07 (s, 3H,

p-CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.74 (s, 3H, NCH<sub>3</sub>), 6.90 (s, 1H, O-CH-N), 7.08-7.98 (m, 13H, aromatic-H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO): δ 14.9 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 29.2 (NCH<sub>3</sub>), 84.8 (C-2), 102.4 (C-4a), 113.5, 116.5, 124.4, 127.3, 130.5, 132.1, 132.5, 132.9, 139.3 aromatic carbons, 152.9 (C-4), 158.5 (C-5) and 170.1 (C-10b).  
*Anal.* Calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 75.74; H, 5.08; N, 7.07. Found: C, 75.55; H, 4.89; N, 6.89

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