

Synthesis of Some Thiazole-, 1,3,4-Thiadiazole-, and 4*H*-1,2,4-Triazole Derivatives of Pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]quinoline

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Three novel series of pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]quinolines were prepared, namely: 1-(3-substituted-4-phenylthiazolin-2-ylidene)hydrazinocarbonylmethyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]quinolines **3a-d**; 1-(5-substituted amino-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]quinolines **4b-d**, and 1-(4-substituted-4*H*-5-thioxo-1,2,4-triazole-3-yl)methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]quinolines **5a-d**. These compounds were prepared by cyclization of the new key intermediates 1-(substituted thiocarbamoylhydrazinocarbonyl)methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]quinolines **2a-d**. The alkylthio, aralkylthio **6a-f** as well as the *Mannich* bases **8a-f** derived from compounds **5a-d** were also prepared. The structures of the new compounds were elucidated by elemental analyses, IR, ¹H-NMR-, and mass spectra. The antimicrobial as well as inotropic and chronotropic activities were studied.

Synthese von neuen Thiazol-, 1,3,4-Thiadiazol- und 4*H*-1,2,4-Triazol-Derivaten des 1*H*-Pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]chinolins

Drei neue Serien von Pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]chinolinen wurden hergestellt, nämlich: 1-(3-substituierte-4-Phenylthiazolin-2-yliden)hydrazinocarbonylmethyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]chinoline **3a-d**; 1-(5-substituierte Amino-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]chinoline **4b-d** und 1-(4-substituierte-4*H*-5-thiono-1,2,4-triazole-3-yl)methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]chinoline **5a-d**. Diese Verbindungen waren durch Cyclisierung der neuen Schlüsselprodukte, der 1-(substituierten Thiocarbamoylhydrazinocarbonyl)methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]chinoline **2a-d** zugänglich. Die Alkylthio-, Aralkylthio-Verbindungen **6a-f** und die *Mannich*-Basen **8a-f**, die alle von den Verbindungen **5a-d** abstammen, wurden auch synthetisiert. Die Strukturen der neuen Verbindungen wurden durch Elementaranalyse, IR-, ¹H-NMR- und Massenspektren bestimmt. Die antimikrobielle, inotropische und chronotropische Aktivität wurden geprüft.

The biological activities of thiazoline, thiadiazole and triazole derivatives are doubtless. Thiazole derivatives exhibit antithyroid¹⁾, antimicrobial²⁾, and antifungal activities³⁾. Thiadiazole derivatives possess antihypertensive⁴⁾ and antimicrobial activities⁵⁾. Triazoles exhibit antibacterial⁶⁾ and antiinflammatory activities⁷⁾. On the other hand, different pharmacological activities have been reported for pyrazoloquinolines. Several pyrazolo[3,4-*g*] quinolines display dopaminergic activity⁸⁾. The isomeric pyrazolo[3,4-*f*] quinolines, pyrazolo[4,3-*c*]quinolines and pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]quinolines possess antibacterial⁹⁾, tranquilizing¹⁰⁾, antiviral, and antimalarial activities¹¹⁻¹³⁾. Inotropic as well as chronotropic activities have been attributed to some quinoline derivatives^{14,15)}.

These findings focused our interest to synthesize new compounds containing the thiosemicarbazide-, thiazoline-, thiadiazole- or triazole moiety joined to the 1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]quinoline nucleus in order to study their antimicrobial as well as inotropic and chronotropic activities.

The target heterocycles were synthesized according to Scheme 1.

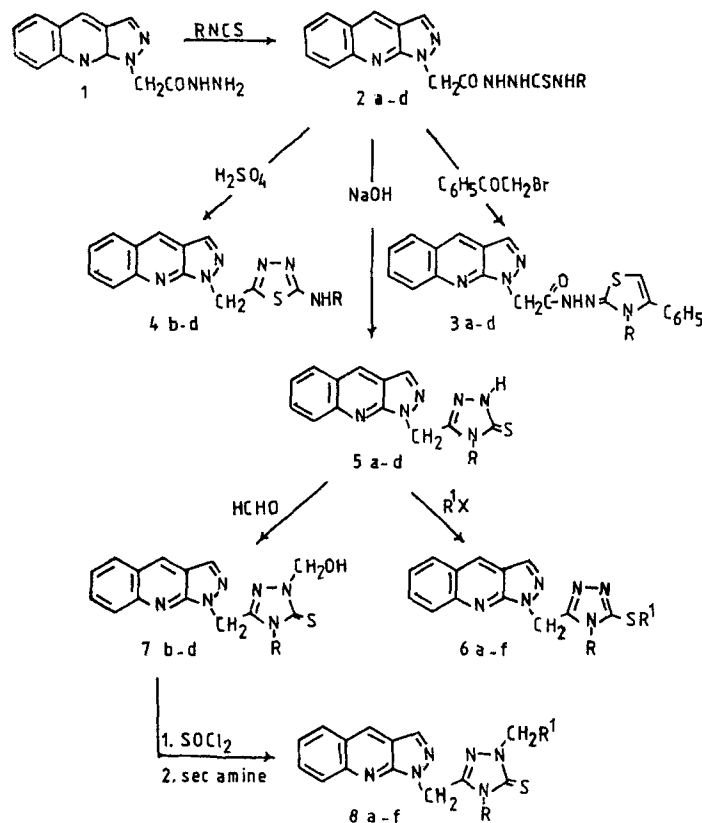
Thus, the new key intermediates 1-(substituted thiocarbamoylhydrazinocarbonyl)methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]quinolines **2a-d** were prepared by addition of 1-*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]quinoline-1-acetic acid hydrazide **1**¹⁶⁾ to alkyl-, aralkyl-, and arylisothiocyanate^{17,18)}. Cyclization of **2a-d** with phenacyl bromide¹⁹⁾ yielded the new 1-(3-substituted-4-phenylthiazolin-2-ylidene)hydrazinocarbonylmethyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]quinolines **3a-d**. When H₂SO₄ was the cyclizing agent²⁰⁾, 1-(5-substituted amino-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]quinolines **4b-d** were formed. When compounds **2a-d** were cyclized by NaOH^{21,22)}, 1-(4-substituted-5-thioxo-4*H*-1,2,4-triazole-3-yl)methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]quinolines **5a-d** were obtained. Alkylation of

compounds **5b-d** with alkyl or aralkyl halide gave the corresponding alkylthio or aralkylthio-derivatives **6a-f**. The new *Mannich* bases derived from compounds **5b-d**: 1-(1-substituted aminomethyl-4-aralkyl or aryl-5-thioxo-4*H*-1,2,4-triazole-3-yl)methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]quinolines **8a-f** could not be prepared by classical Mannich reaction. These bases **8a-f** were prepared indirectly involving the reaction of **5b-d** with formalin²³⁾ and then treating the produced 1-(1-hydroxymethyl-4-aralkyl or aryl-5-thioxo-4*H*-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]quinolines **7b-d** with SOCl₂. The chloromethyl derivatives so produced, being unstable, were reacted directly with the proper secondary amine to afford the required *Mannich* bases **8a-f**.

Biological evaluation

A) Preliminary Antimicrobial Testing

The antimicrobial activity of the new products was tested by the agar diffusion method²⁴⁾. A 0.2% solution in propylene glycol was used. The test organisms were *Staphylococcus aureus* NCTC 4163, *Escherichia coli* NCTC 5933, and *Candida albicans* 3501. 0.1% streptomycin in propylene glycol was used as a standard. The inhibition zones against *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Escherichia coli*, and *Candida albicans* were 15-20 mm; 15-20 mm; and 14-19 mm, respectively, whilst streptomycin resulted in a zone of 29; 25; 13 mm. Compounds **6f**, **8c**, **8e** and **8f** were inactive against *Staphylococcus aureus*; compound **6f** was inactive against *Escherichia coli*; whereas compounds **3c**, **6b**, **6e**



und 6f were inactive against *Candida albicans*. So none of the prepared compounds was superior to streptomycin in these tests against *S. aureus* and *E. coli*.

B) Inotropic and Chronotropic evaluation

All compounds were preliminarily tested for their inotropic and chronotropic effects on isolated *Toad's* heart²⁵.

The frog heart was suspended in a 15 ml bath containing Ringer solution kept at 37°C, bubbled with carbogen. The compounds were dissolved in propylene glycol (2 mg/ml), then diluted with 3 ml of Ringer solution. The doses used were 5, 10, 20, 50 and 100 µg. Propylene glycol at the used concentrations has no effect on the heart.

Compound 2b possesses a mild positive inotropic activity while 6a and 8f demonstrated mild negative inotropic effects. The remaining compounds showed no significant effect on the *Toad's* heart at the dose levels used.

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Experimental Part

Melting points: uncorrected. - IR spectra (Nujol): Beckman 4210. - ¹H-NMR-spectra: Varian EM-360L and Bruker 200 MHz spectrometers, TMS as intern. standard, chem. shift in δ (ppm). - Mass spectra: Mat-711 spectrometer, inlet temp. ca. 200°C, ionization energy 70 eV. - Analytical data: Microanalytical Unit, Faculty of Science, Cairo, Egypt.

1-(Substituted thiocarbamoylhydrazinocarbonyl)methyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]quinolines 2a-d

To a solution of 1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]quinoline-1-acetic acid hydrazide (1) (0.24 g, 0.001 mole) in ethanol (20 ml), the proper alkyl-, aralkyl-, and aryl isothiocyanate (0.001 mole) was added. The mixture was heated under reflux for 6-8 h, concentrated and cooled. The obtained precipitate was crystallized from ethanol. Products 2a-d are listed in Table 1. - IR: 3340-3140 (NH); 1685 (C=O); 1615, 1570 (C=N, C=C); 1545, 1180, 1070, 960 cm⁻¹ (N-C=S I, II, III, IV bands). - ¹H-NMR of 2b (DMSO-d₆): 4.55 (d, J = 8 Hz, 2H, CH₂C₆H₅); 7.0-8.2 (m, 9H, Ar-H); 8.4 (s, 1H, pyrazoloquinoline H-4); 8.85 (s, 1H, pyrazoloquinoline H-3); 9.6, 9.9, 10.4 (three s, each 1H, three NH, D₂O exchange).

1-(3-Substituted-4-phenylthiazolin-2-ylidene)hydrazinocarbonylmethyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]quinolines 3a-d

2a-d (0.001 mole) in ethanol (10 ml) and phenacyl bromide (0.2 g, 0.001 mole) were heated together under reflux for 2 h, concentrated and neutralized with sodium acetate solution. The precipitated was washed with water and crystallized from ethanol. The compounds so prepared are recorded in Table 2. - IR: 3240-3100 (br. band NH); 1680 (C=O); 1625, 1600, 1530, 1500 (C=N, δNH, C=C). - ¹H-NMR of 3a (CDCl₃): 2.3 (broad s, 1H, NH; D₂O exchange); 4.2-4.4 (m; 2H, CH₂-CH=CH₂); 4.4-5.3 (m, 2H, CH₂-CH=CH₂); 5.4 (s, 2H, CH₂); 5.5-5.7 (m, 1H, CH₂-CH=CH₂); 7.1-8.2 (m, 10H, Ar-H); 8.3 (s, 1H, pyrazoloquinoline H-4); 8.6 (s, 1H, pyrazoloquinoline H-3). - MS of 3a, m/z (%): 441 (32, (M-H)⁺), 258 (5); 227 (55); 217 (37); 191 (11); 182 (23); 170 (23); 147 (90); 134 (5); 123 (30); 114 (100); 102 (55); 88 (75).

1-(5-Substituted amino-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)methyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]quinolines 4b-d

2b-d (0.001 mole) were dissolved in cold pure conc. H₂SO₄ (3 ml) and stirred for 30 min at room temp., then poured into crushed ice. The precipitate was washed with water and crystallized from ethanol. The products

Table 1: 1-(Substituted thiocarbamoylhydrazinocarbonyl)methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]quinolines **2a-d**.

Compound No.	R	Yield %	Mp °C	Molecular formula	Analyses			
					C%	H%	N%	S%
2a	CH ₂ CH=CH ₂	56	208-9	C ₁₆ H ₁₆ N ₆ OS	56.46 56.1	4.74 5.0	24.69 24.3	9.42 9.2
2b	CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	30	185-6	C ₂₀ H ₁₈ N ₆ OS	61.52 61.2	4.65 4.5	21.52 21.5	8.21 8.4
2c	C ₆ H ₅	57	210-1	C ₁₉ H ₁₆ N ₆ OS	60.62 60.5	4.28 4.5	22.32 22.0	8.52 8.4
2d	C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ (p)	60	212-3	C ₂₀ H ₁₈ N ₆ OS	61.52 61.2	4.65 4.7	21.52 21.9	8.21 8.1

Table 2: 1-(3-Substituted-4-phenylthiazolin-2-ylidene)-hydrazinocarbonylmethyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]quinolines **3a-d**.

Compound No.	R	Yield %	Mp °C	Molecular formula	Analyses			
					C%	H%	N%	S%
3a	CH ₂ -CH=CH ₂	40	178-9	C ₂₄ H ₂₀ N ₆ OS	65.44 65.1	5.58 5.3	19.08 18.9	7.28 6.5
3b	CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	66	196-7	C ₂₈ H ₂₂ N ₆ OS	68.55 68.2	4.52 4.2	17.13 17.2	6.54 6.5
3c	C ₆ H ₅	28	144-5	C ₂₇ H ₂₀ N ₆ OS	68.05 68.0	4.23 4.1	17.63 17.9	6.72 6.6
3d	C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ (p)	53	101-2	C ₂₈ H ₂₂ N ₆ OS	68.55 68.3	4.52 4.3	17.13 17.1	6.54 6.3

4b-d are summarized in Table 3. - IR: 3300, 3220 (NH); 1620, 1600, 1545 cm⁻¹ (C=N, δ NH, C=C). - ¹H-NMR of compound **4c** (DMSO-d₆, 200 MHz): 5.95 (s, 2H, CH₂); 6.8-8.2 (m, 9H, Ar-H); 8.48 (s, 1H, pyrazoloquinoline H-4); 8.94 (s, 1H, pyrazoloquinoline H-3); 10.2 (s, 1H, NH).

1-(4-Alkyl, aralkyl or aryl-5-thioxo-4*H*-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]quinolines **5a-d**

2a-d (0.001 mole) were heated in N NaOH (20 ml) for 1 h. The mixture was filtered while hot, poured into water and acidified with dilute HCl to

Table 3: 1-(5-Substituted amino-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]quinolines **4b-d**.

Compound No.	R	Yield %	Mp °C	Molecular formula	Analyses			
					C%	H%	N%	S%
4b	CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	40	202-3	C ₂₀ H ₁₆ N ₆ S	64.50 64.3	4.33 4.1	22.56 22.2	8.61 9.0
4c	C ₆ H ₅	55	230-1	C ₁₉ H ₁₄ N ₆ S	63.67 63.6	3.94 4.8	23.45 23.7	8.94 8.7
4d	C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ (p)	77	205-6	C ₂₀ H ₁₆ N ₆ S	64.50 64.1	4.33 4.2	22.56 22.4	8.61 8.9

pH 5. The precipitate was washed with water and crystallized from ethanol. Compounds 5a-d are listed in Table 4. - IR: 3460-3300 (NH); 1615, 1585 (C=N, C=C); 1570, 1270, 1020, 945 cm^{-1} (N-C=S, I, II, III, IV bands). - $^1\text{H-NMR}$ of 5a (CDCl_3 , 200 MHz): 4.8-5.11 (m; 2H, $-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$); 5.0-5.1 (m, 2H, $\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$), 5.63-5.82 (m, 1H, $\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$); 5.87 (s, 2H, N- CH_2); 7.26-8.17 (m, 4H, arom., H-5,6,7,8); 8.31 (s, 1H, pyrazoloquinoline H-4); 8.66 (s, 1H-pyrazoloquinoline H-3); 11.33 (s, 1H, NH).

1-(5-Alkylthio or aralkylthio-4-aralkyl or aryl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)-methyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]quinolines 6a-f

To a solution of 5b-d (0.001 mole) in 10% NaOH (10 ml), the proper alkyl or aralkyl halide (0.001 mole) was added. The mixture was stirred for 30 min at room temp. The precipitates of 6e and 6f were washed with water

and crystallized from ethanol, whereas in case of compounds 6a-d, an oily layer was formed, which was extracted into benzene, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, concentrated and the product was precipitated as its hydrochloride or picrate. Products 6a-f are listed in Table 5. - IR: 1610, 1570, 1560, 1510 (C=N, C=C).

1-(1-Hydroxymethyl-4-aralkyl or aryl-5-thioxo-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)-methyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]quinolines 7b-d

To a solution 5b-d (0.001 mole) in dioxane (3 ml) formalin, solution 37% (3 ml) was added. The mixture was stirred at 50°C for 2 h and left overnight at room temp. Then it was concentrated, cooled and poured into water (20 ml). The precipitate was washed with water and crystallized from CHCl_3 . The compounds so prepared are listed in Table 6. - IR: 3220 (OH); 1610, 1600, 1575, 1500 (C=N, C=C); 1240 cm^{-1} (C=S). - $^1\text{H-NMR}$ of 7d

Table 4: 1-(4-Alkyl, aralkyl or aryl-5-thioxo-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)methyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]quinolines 5a-d.

Compound No.	R	Yield %	Mp°C	Molecular formula	Analyses			
					C%	H%	N%	S%
5a	$\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$	62	196-7	$\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_6\text{S}$	59.61	4.38	26.07	9.94
					59.3	4.7	25.8	9.6
5b	$\text{CH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$	53	218-9	$\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_6\text{S}$	64.50	4.33	22.56	8.61
					64.3	4.0	22.2	8.5
5c	C_6H_5	90	>300	$\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_6\text{S}$	63.67	3.93	23.45	8.94
					63.4	3.6	23.8	8.5
5d	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{CH}_3(\text{p})$	70	189-90	$\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_6\text{S}$	64.50	4.33	22.56	8.61
					64.3	4.7	22.5	8.6

Table 5: 1-(5-Alkylthio or aralkylthio-4-aralkyl or aryl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)methyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]quinolines 6a-f.

Compound No.	R	R^1	Yield %	Mp°C	Molecular formula	Analyses			
						C%	H%	N%	S%
6a	$\text{CH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$	CH_3	71	140-1	$\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_6\text{S} \cdot \text{HCl}$	59.64	4.53	19.87	7.58
						59.3	4.3	19.5	7.4
6b	$\text{CH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$	$\text{CH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$	31	118-9	$\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_6\text{S} \cdot \text{HCl}$	64.98	4.65	16.84	6.42
						64.7	4.4	16.6	6.8
6c	C_6H_5	CH_3	23	123-4	$\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_6\text{S} \cdot \text{C}_6\text{H}_3\text{N}_3\text{O}_7$	51.91	3.18	20.96	5.33
						51.9	3.0	20.8	5.2
6d	C_6H_5	$\text{CH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$	29	117-8	$\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_6\text{S} \cdot \text{HCl}$	64.39	4.36	17.33	6.61
						64.4	4.1	17.0	6.4
6e	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{CH}_3(\text{p})$	CH_3	64	95-6	$\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_6\text{S}$	65.26	4.69	21.75	8.3
						65.4	5.0	21.5	8.0
6f	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{CH}_3(\text{p})$	$\text{CH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$	15	100-1	$\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_6\text{S}$	70.11	4.79	18.17	6.93
						69.9	5.0	18.1	6.7

(DMSO-*d*₆/CDCl₃): δ 2.3 (s, 3H, CH₃); 3.6 (s, 2H, CH₂OH); 5.7 (s, 2H, CH₂); 6.7-7.7 (m, 8H, Ar-H); 8.0 (s, 1H, pyrazoloquinoline H-4); 8.3 (s, 1H, pyrazoloquinoline H-3).

*1-(1-Substituted aminomethyl-4-aryl-5-thioxo-4H-1,2,4-triazole-3-yl)methyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]quinolines 8a-f*

7b-d (0.001 mole) in dry benzene (3 ml) and SOCl₂ (5 ml) were heated under reflux for 10-12 h. Excess SOCl₂ was removed in vacuo. The residue in dry benzene (2 ml) and the proper amine (0.005 mole) were heated together under reflux for 4-6 h. The precipitate was crystallized from benzene/petrol ether 60-80°C (3:1). The products obtained are recorded in Table 7. IR: 1640, 1615, 1520 (C=N, C=C); 1230 cm⁻¹ (C=S).

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Table 6: 1-(1-Hydroxymethyl-4-aryl-5-thioxo-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)methyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]quinolines **7b-d**.

Compound No.	R	Yield %	Mp °C	Molecular formula	Analyses			
					C%	H%	N%	S%
7b	CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	50	118-9	C ₂₁ H ₁₈ N ₆ OS	62.67	4.51	20.88	7.97
					62.4	4.7	21.0	8.1
7c	C ₆ H ₅	70	160-1	C ₂₀ H ₁₆ N ₆ OS	61.84	4.15	21.63	8.25
					62.0	4.0	22.0	8.1
7d	C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ (p)	65	152-3	C ₂₁ H ₁₈ N ₆ OS	62.67	4.51	20.88	7.97
					62.8	4.5	21.2	7.8

Table 7: 1-(1-Substituted aminomethyl-4-aryl-5-thioxo-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)methyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]quinolines **8a-f**

Compound No.	R	R ¹	Yield %	Mp °C	Molecular formula	Analyses			
						C%	H%	N%	S%
8a	CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	piperidino	20	190-1	C ₂₆ H ₂₇ N ₇ S.2HCl	57.56	5.39	18.07	5.91
						57.2	5.1	18.1	6.1
8b	CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	N-methyl-piperazino	25	140-1	C ₂₆ H ₂₈ N ₈ S.2HCl	56.01	5.42	20.10	5.75
						56.0	5.6	20.4	5.9
8c	C ₆ H ₅	piperidino	90	170-1	C ₂₅ H ₂₅ N ₇ S.2HCl	56.82	5.15	18.55	6.07
						57.0	5.0	18.6	6.2
8d	C ₆ H ₅	N-methyl-piperazino	75	101-2	C ₂₅ H ₂₆ N ₈ S.2HCl	55.25	5.19	20.62	5.9
						55.0	4.9	20.4	5.8
8e	C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ (p)	piperidino	79	95-6	C ₂₆ H ₂₇ N ₇ S.2HCl	57.56	5.39	18.07	5.91
						57.7	5.4	18.2	5.6
8f	C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ (p)	N-methyl-piperazino	52	104-5	C ₂₆ H ₂₈ N ₈ S.2HCl	56.01	5.42	20.10	5.75
						56.0	5.1	19.9	5.6

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