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Studies on Tertiary Amine Oxides. LXVI.¹⁾ Reactions of Quinoline 1-Oxide Derivatives with Tosyl Chloride in the Presence of Triethylamine

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Reactions of N-oxides of lepidine (**1a**) and 4-methyl- (**1b**), 4-chloro- (**1c**) and 6-methoxyquinoline (**1d**) with tosyl chloride (1 eq) and triethylamine (*ca.* 10 eq) in a mixture of chloroform and water at room temperature gave the corresponding di(2-quinolyl) ethers (**3a—d**) and N-(2-quinolyl)-2-quinolones (**4a—d**). The efficiency of this type of reaction depends upon the nature and position of the substituents.

Whereas the reaction of **1c** with carbostyryl under the same conditions gave small amounts of 4-chloro-2-tosyloxyquinoline (**2c**) and N-(4-chloro-2-quinolyl)-4-chloro-2-quinolone (**4c**), that of **1d** afforded 6-methoxy-2-quinolyl 2'-quinolyl ether (**15**) and N-(6-methoxy-2-quinolyl)-2-quinolone (**16**) in 47 and 29% yields, respectively.

Keywords—nucleophilic reaction; addition-elimination course; ether cleavage; 2,2'-diquinolyl ethers; N-(2-quinolyl)-2-quinolones; 2-tosyloxyquinolines; 2-oxoquinolines

In the preceding paper, we reported that quinoline 1-oxide reacts with tosyl chloride and triethylamine in a mixture of chloroform and water to afford di(2-quinolyl) ether and N-(2-quinolyl)-2-quinolone accompanied by small amounts of 2-tosyloxyquinoline and carbostyryl.¹⁾ As a continuation of this work, similar reactions of some quinoline 1-oxide derivatives were investigated.

In the general procedure, a mixture of a quinoline 1-oxide, one equivalent of tosyl chloride and a large excess of triethylamine (*ca.* 10 eq) in a mixture of chloroform and water was stirred at room temperature for 12—13 hr. Table I summarizes the reactions of N-oxides of lepidine (**1a**) and 4-methoxy- (**1b**), 4-chloro- (**1c**) and 6-methoxyquinoline (**1d**).

TABLE I. Reactions of Substituted Quinoline 1-Oxides (**1a—d**) with Tosyl Chloride and Triethylamine in Chloroform-Water

Product (%)					
1	2	3	4	5	Other
1a : 4-Me	2a : 10	3a : 6	4a : 11	5a : 30	6 : 8
1b : 4-OMe		3b : 13	4b : 50	5b : 13	
1c : 4-Cl		3c : 55	4c : 35		
1d : 6-OMe		3d : 23	4d : 11	5d : 28	

The reaction of lepidine 1-oxide (**1a**) afforded not only 2-tosyloxyepidine (**2a**), di(4-methyl-2-quinolyl) ether (**3a**), N-(4-methyl-2-quinolyl)-4-methyl-2-quinolone (**4a**) and 4-methyl-carbostyryl (**5a**),³⁾ but also 3-tosyloxyepidine (**6**), though all in small yields. The product **6** was apparently formed through an anhydro base (**7**), and was readily converted into 3-hydroxyepidine³⁾ upon heating with ethanolic potassium hydroxide.

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From the reaction of 4-methoxyquinoline 1-oxide (**1b**), N-(4-methoxy-2-quinolyl)-4-methoxy-2-quinolone (**4b**) was obtained as the major product in 50% yield together with small amounts of the corresponding diquinolyl ether (**3b**) and 4-methoxycarbostyryl (**5b**).

The reaction of 4-chloroquinoline 1-oxide (**1c**) gave the diquinolyl ether (**3c**) and the quinolylquinolone (**4c**) in good yields of 55 and 35%, respectively, no other products being obtained.

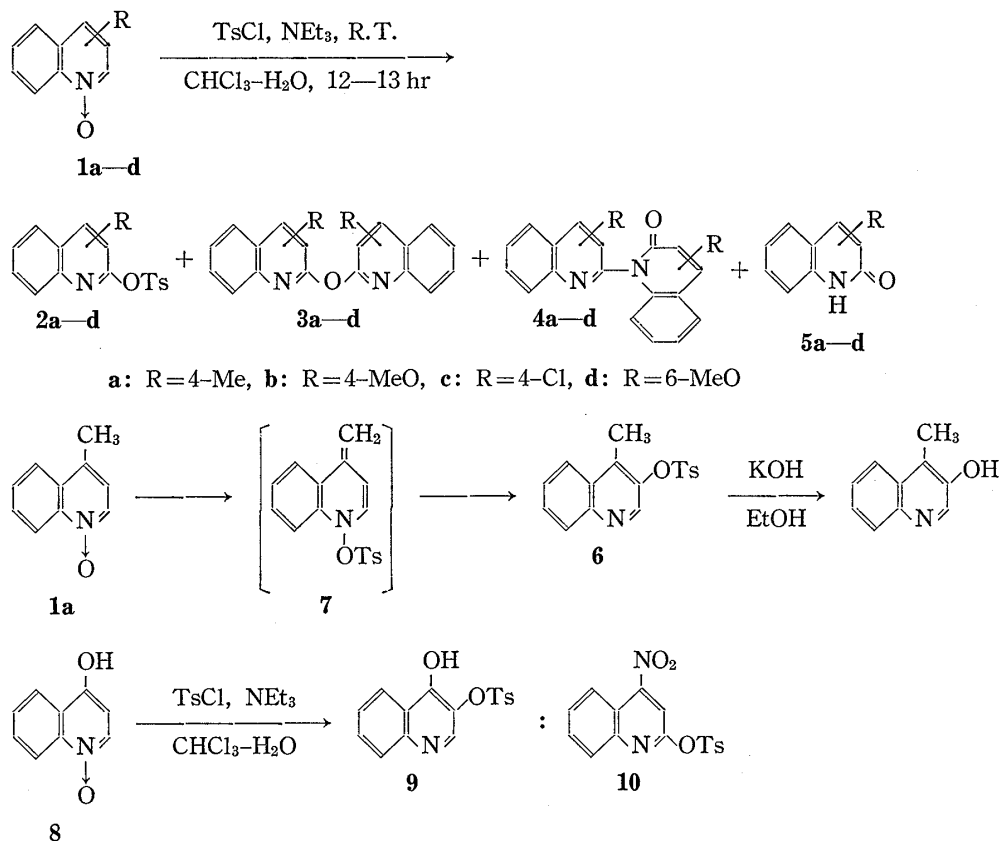


Chart 1

TABLE II. Some Physical Properties of **3a—d** and **4a—d**

Compd.	Appearance (Recryst. Solv.)	mp (°C)	Formula	Analysis (%)			IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{Nujol}}$ (cm ⁻¹)
				Calcd (Found)			
				C	H	N	
3a	Colorless needles (EtOH-H ₂ O)	153—155	C ₂₀ H ₁₆ N ₂ O	79.98 (80.10)	5.37 5.40	9.33 9.25)	1240 (ether)
3b	Colorless needles [CH ₂ Cl ₂ -(isoPr) ₂ O]	188—188.5	C ₂₀ H ₁₆ N ₂ O ₃	72.28 (72.49)	4.85 4.78	8.43 8.47)	1200, 1250 (ether)
3c	Colorless pillars (CH ₂ Cl ₂ - <i>n</i> -hexane)	175—176	C ₁₈ H ₁₀ Cl ₂ N ₂ O	63.37 (63.48)	2.95 2.65	8.21 8.30)	1235 (ether)
3d	Colorless needles (MeOH-H ₂ O)	138—139	C ₂₀ H ₁₆ N ₂ O ₃	72.28 (72.32)	4.85 4.83	8.43 8.39)	1220, 1250, 1260, 1280 (ether)
4a	Colorless needles (EtOH-H ₂ O)	213—215	C ₂₀ H ₁₆ N ₂ O	79.98 (79.96)	5.37 5.48	9.33 9.26)	1665 (C=O)
4b	Colorless needles (EtOH)	297 (dec.)	C ₂₀ H ₁₆ N ₂ O ₃	72.28 (72.15)	4.85 4.84	8.43 8.53)	1240 (ether) 1655 (C=O)
4c	Colorless needles (Me ₂ CO-H ₂ O)	239—240	C ₁₈ H ₁₀ Cl ₂ N ₂ O	63.37 (63.38)	2.95 2.70	8.21 8.12)	1665 (C=O)
4d	Colorless prisms (EtOH)	220—223	C ₂₀ H ₁₆ N ₂ O ₃	72.28 (72.31)	4.85 4.90	8.43 8.43)	1240, 1250 (ether) 1650, 1660 (C=O)

Similarly, 6-methoxyquinoline 1-oxide (**1d**) gave the diquinolyl ether (**3d**), quinolyl-quinolone (**4d**)⁴ and 6-methoxycarbostyryl (**5d**)⁴ in 23, 11 and 28% yields, respectively.

The reaction of 4-quinolinol 1-oxide (**8**) followed another path, furnishing only 3-tosyloxy-4-quinolinol (**9**) in a high yield of 90%. The formation of **9** from **8** with tosyl chloride is a highly reactive process,⁵ and evidently predominates over the type of reaction considered here. From the reaction of 4-nitroquinoline 1-oxide, only 4-nitro-2-tosyloxyquinoline (**10**) was isolated in a poor yield of 3%, the starting material being mostly recovered.

These results are shown in Chart 1, and some physical properties of **3a—d** and **4a—d** are listed in Table II.

Various reactions were carried out in connection with the structural elucidation of the products.

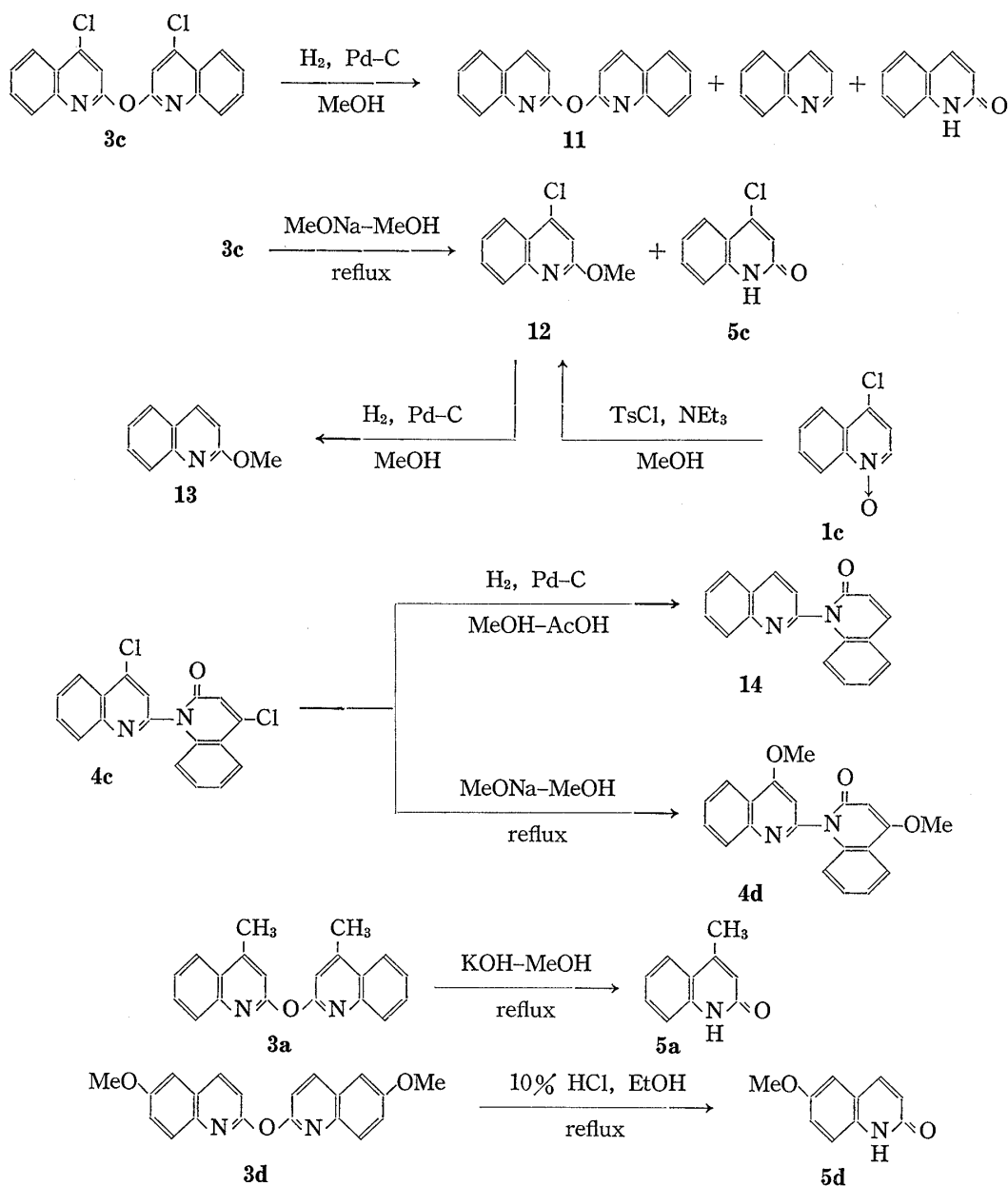


Chart 2

4) M. Hamana and I. Kumadaki, *Yakugaku Zasshi*, **86**, 1090 (1966).

5) M. Hamana and K. Funakoshi, *Yakugaku Zasshi*, **84**, 28 (1964).

Hydrogenation of di(4-chloro-2-quinolyl) ether, **3c**, in methanol over 50% palladium charcoal gave di(2-quinolyl) ether (**11**),¹⁾ quinoline and carbostyryl in 15, 21 and 38% yields, respectively. Apparently, the 4-chloro group is much more susceptible than the ether bond to catalytic reduction, as anticipated. On the other hand, treatment of **3c** with hot methanolic sodium methoxide was found to give 4-chloro-2-methoxyquinoline (**12**) and 4-chloro-carbostyryl **5c**⁶⁾ in yields of 53 and 29%, respectively; no 4-methoxyquinoline derivatives were detected at all. This result indicates that, in contrast to hydrogenation, the ether linkage is much more reactive than the 4-chloro group in this case.

Reductive dechlorination of **12** to 2-methoxyquinoline (**13**) was effected in the usual way by hydrogenation in methanol over palladium charcoal, and **12** was shown to be obtainable from **1c** by treatment with tosyl chloride and triethylamine in methanol.⁷⁾

Hydrogenation of N-(4-chloro-2-quinolyl)-4-chloro-2-quinolone **4c** in acetic acid and methanol over palladium charcoal gave the dechlorinated product (**14**),¹⁾ and treatment with methanolic sodium methoxide under reflux afforded the corresponding 4,4'-dimethoxy compound **4b**.

Treatment of di(4-methyl-2-quinolyl) ether **3a** with ethanolic potassium hydroxide under reflux readily cleaved the ether bond, in the same way as **3c**, giving 4-methylcarbostyryl **5a**³⁾ in 79% yield. Refluxing di(6-methoxy-2-quinolyl) ether **3d** with 10% hydrochloric acid in ethanol also brought about ready ether cleavage to afford 6-methoxy carbostyryl **5d**⁴⁾ in 82% yield. These results provide additional evidence for the fact that the ether linkage of di(2-quinolyl) ethers is fairly susceptible to cleavage.

These reactions are shown in Chart 2.

In view of the mechanism proposed in the preceding paper¹⁾ for the formation of **3** and **4**, **1c** and **1d** were treated with carbostyryl in the presence of one equivalent of tosyl chloride and a large excess of triethylamine using the same solvent system in anticipation of the formation of the mixed diquinolyl ether as well as mixed quinolylquinolone. Products obtained from the reaction of **1c**, that is, 4-chloro-2-tosyloxyquinoline (**2c**, 6%) and N-(4-chloro-2-quinolyl)-4-chloro-2-quinolone (**4c**, 12%), apparently originated only from **1c** itself; however, the very low yields of products compared with the above-mentioned reaction of **1c** cannot be explained and the details of the reaction remain to be explored. On the other hand, the reaction of **1d** led to 6-methoxy-2-quinolyl 2'-quinolyl ether (**15**) and

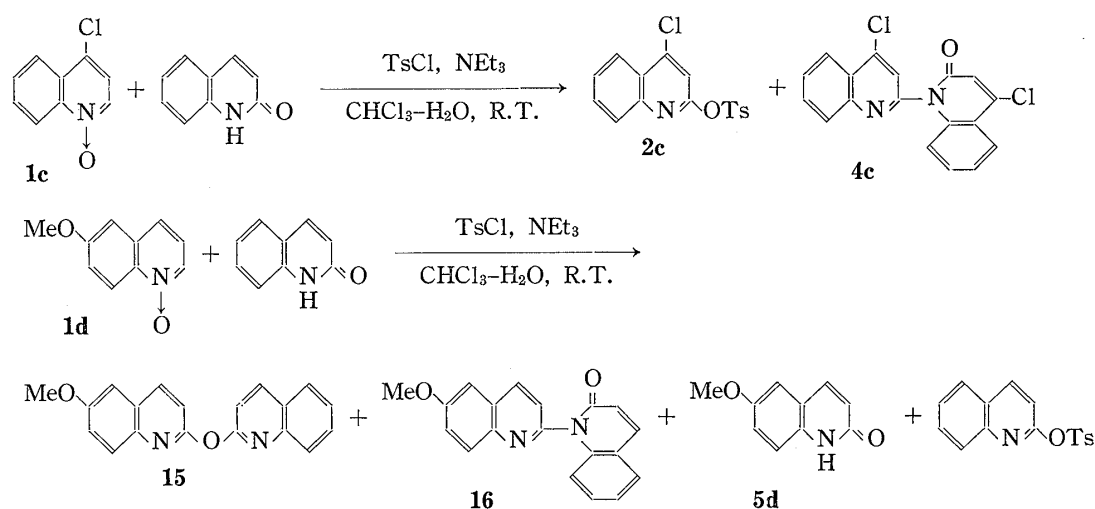


Chart 3

6) T. Itai, *Yakugaku Zasshi*, **65**(B), 4 (1945).

7) cf) H. Honda, Master's Thesis, Kyushu University, 1976.

N-(6-methoxy-2-quinolyl)-2-quinolone (**16**) in yields of 47 and 29%, respectively, accompanied by other products formed from **1d** or carbostyryl as shown in Chart 3.

The formation of 2,2'-diquinolyl ethers as well as N-(2-quinolyl)-2-quinolones by the above-mentioned reaction seems to be fairly general and appears to depend upon the nature and position of the substituents.

Since mixed heteroaryl ethers, especially those of α,α' -, γ,γ' - and α,γ -types, are not easily synthesized, we are now investigating reactions of aromatic N-oxides with α - and γ -oxo-heteroaromatics in the presence of acylating agents and bases in the hope of providing a new route to this class of compounds, as a further extension of the above studies.

Experimental⁸⁾

The appearance, mp, elemental analyses and the characteristic IR absorptions of **3a—d** and **4a—d** are listed in Table II.

Reaction of Lepidine 1-Oxide (1a) with TsCl and NEt_3 —A solution of TsCl (2.3 g) in CHCl_3 (20 ml) was added dropwise to an ice-cooled and stirred solution of **1a**·1/2 H_2O (1.95 g) and NEt_3 (10 ml) in CHCl_3 (20 ml)– H_2O (20 ml), and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 hr. The CHCl_3 layer was separated from the aqueous layer, which was extracted with CHCl_3 . The combined CHCl_3 solution was dried over Na_2SO_4 , concentrated, and the residue was chromatographed on silica gel. The eluate with $n\text{-C}_6\text{H}_{14}\text{--CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ (1:1) gave 0.32 g (10.2%) of 2-tosyloxylepidine (**2a**), colorless needles, mp 122–124° (MeOH– H_2O). *Anal.* Calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_3\text{S}$: C, 65.15; H, 4.83; N, 4.47. Found: C, 65.10; H, 4.79; N, 4.45. From the eluate with $n\text{-C}_6\text{H}_{14}\text{--CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ (1:3), 0.26 g (8.3%) of 3-tosyloxylepidine (**6**) was obtained as colorless pillars, mp 142–144° (MeOH). *Anal.* Calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_3\text{S}$: C, 65.15; H, 4.83; N, 4.47. Found: C, 65.15; H, 4.81; N, 4.44. The CH_2Cl_2 eluate gave 0.18 g (6.0%) of di(4-methyl-2-quinolyl) ether (**3a**). NMR (CDCl_3) δ : 2.68 (6H, s, $\text{C}_4\text{--CH}_3$ and $\text{C}_4'\text{--CH}_3$), 7.12 (2H, s, $\text{C}_3\text{--H}$ and $\text{C}_3'\text{--H}$). MS m/e : 300 (M^+). Elution with AcOEt gave successively 0.34 g (11.3%) of N-(4-methyl-2-quinolyl)-4-methyl-2-quinolone (**4a**) [MS m/e : 300 (M^+)] and 0.48 g (30.2%) of 4-methylcarbostyryl (**5a**),³⁾ colorless needles, mp 220–222° (MeOH).

A solution of **2a** (0.3 g) in conc. HCl (20 ml) was refluxed for 3 hr to give 0.11 g (72.4%) of **5a**.

A mixture of **6** (0.3 g) and KOH (1.0 g)–EtOH (15 ml) was refluxed for 3 hr to give 0.1 g (65.8%) of 3-hydroxylepidine,³⁾ colorless leaflets, mp 200–202°.

Reaction of 4-Methoxyquinoline 1-Oxide (1b) with TsCl and NEt_3 —A mixture of **1b** (1.75 g), NEt_3 (10 ml) and TsCl (2.3 g) in CHCl_3 (40 ml)– H_2O (20 ml) was allowed to react under the conditions described above. The mixture of products was chromatographed on silica gel with CH_2Cl_2 and AcOEt. The fraction eluted with CH_2Cl_2 was again chromatographed on silica gel with $n\text{-C}_6\text{H}_{14}$ and AcOEt. The eluate with $n\text{-C}_6\text{H}_{14}\text{--AcOEt}$ (6:1) gave 0.21 g (12.7%) of di(4-methoxy-2-quinolyl) ether (**3b**). NMR (CDCl_3) δ : 4.01 (6H, s, 4-OCH₃ and 4'-OCH₃), 6.65 (2H, s, $\text{C}_3\text{--H}$ and $\text{C}_3'\text{--H}$), 8.12 (2H, d, $J=7.9$ Hz, $\text{C}_5\text{--H}$ and $\text{C}_5'\text{--H}$). MS m/e : 332 (M^+). The AcOEt eluate gave 0.83 g (50%) of N-(4-methoxy-2-quinolyl)-4-methoxy-2-quinolone (**4b**). MS m/e : 332 (M^+).

The fraction eluted with AcOEt from the first chromatography gave 0.22 g (12.6%) of 4-methoxycarbostyryl (**5b**), colorless needles, mp 258–259° (MeOH). *Anal.* Calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_9\text{NO}_2$: C, 68.56; H, 5.18; N, 8.00. Found: C, 68.44; H, 5.12; N, 8.01. IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{Nujol}}$ cm^{-1} : 1235 (ether), 1673 (C=O), 3140 (NH). This was identical with an authentic sample prepared from **1b** by reaction with TsCl– Na_2CO_3 in $\text{CHCl}_3\text{--H}_2\text{O}$.

Reaction of 4-Chloroquinoline 1-Oxide (1a) with TsCl and NEt_3 —A mixture of **1c** (0.9 g), NEt_3 (5 ml) and TsCl (1.15 g) in CHCl_3 (20 ml)– H_2O (10 ml) was treated as described above, and the mixture of products was chromatographed on silica gel. Elution with CH_2Cl_2 gave 0.47 g (55.3%) of di(4-chloro-2-quinolyl) ether (**3c**). NMR (CDCl_3) δ : 7.46 (2H, s, $\text{C}_3\text{--H}$ and $\text{C}_3'\text{--H}$). MS m/e : 341 (M^+). The AcOEt eluate gave 0.3 g (35.3%) of N-(4-chloro-2-quinolyl)-4-chloro-2-quinolone (**4c**). MS m/e : 341 (M^+).

Reaction of 6-Methoxyquinoline 1-Oxide (1d) with TsCl and NEt_3 —A mixture of **1d**·2 H_2O (0.88 g), NEt_3 (5 ml) and TsCl (1.15 g) in CHCl_3 (20 ml)– H_2O (10 ml) was treated as described above, and the mixture of products was chromatographed on silica gel. Elution with $n\text{-C}_6\text{H}_{14}\text{--AcOEt}$ (7:3) gave 0.33 g (23%) of di(6-methoxy-2-quinolyl) ether (**3d**). NMR (CDCl_3) δ : 3.92 (6H, s, 6-OCH₃ and 6'-OCH₃), 7.76 (2H, d, $J=8.5$ Hz, $\text{C}_7\text{--H}$ and $\text{C}_7'\text{--H}$), 8.80 (2H, d, $\text{C}_5\text{--H}$ and $\text{C}_5'\text{--H}$). MS m/e : 332 (M^+). The AcOEt eluate gave 0.16 g (11.2%) of N-(6-methoxy-2-quinolyl)-6-methoxy-2-quinolone (**4d**).⁴⁾ MS m/e : 332 (M^+). The eluate with AcOEt–MeOH (9:1) gave 0.21 g (28%) of 6-methoxycarbostyryl (**5d**),⁴⁾ colorless prisms, mp 218–220° (EtOH– H_2O).

8) All melting points are uncorrected. IR spectra were recorded on a JASCO IR-E spectrophotometer. NMR spectra were measured with a JEOL PS-100 spectrophotometer at 100 MHz using tetramethylsilane as an internal standard. Mass spectra were obtained on a JEOL 01SG machine.

Reaction of 4-Quinololinol 1-Oxide (8) with TsCl and NEt_3 —A mixture of **8** (0.80 g), NEt_3 (5 ml) and TsCl (1.15 g) in CHCl_3 (20 ml)– H_2O (10 ml) was stirred at room temperature for 12 hr. The CHCl_3 layer was separated from the aqueous layer, which was extracted with CHCl_3 . The combined CHCl_3 solution was dried over Na_2SO_4 , and concentrated, and the residue was dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 . The CH_2Cl_2 solution was passed through a silica gel column to give 1.29 g (90.2%) of 3-tosyloxy-4-quinolinol (**9**),⁵ colorless needles, mp 227–228° (95% EtOH).

Reaction of 4-Nitroquinoline 1-Oxide with TsCl and NEt_3 —A mixture of 4-nitroquinoline 1-oxide (0.95 g), NEt_3 (5 ml) and TsCl (1.15 g) in CHCl_3 (20 ml)– H_2O (10 ml) was stirred at room temperature for 12 hr. The CHCl_3 layer was separated from the aqueous layer, which was extracted with CHCl_3 . The residue from the combined CHCl_3 solution was chromatographed on silica gel. The fraction eluted with $n\text{-C}_6\text{H}_{14}$ – CH_2Cl_2 (1:1) gave 0.11 g (3.2%) of 4-nitro-2-tosyloxyquinoline (**10**), pale yellow needles, mp 170–172° [benzene– $n\text{-C}_6\text{H}_{14}$ (1:3)]. *Anal.* Calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_2\text{O}_5\text{S}$: C, 55.82; H, 3.51; N, 8.14. Found: C, 55.93; H, 3.62; N, 7.98. MS m/e : 344 (M^+). IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{Nujol}}$ cm^{-1} : 1183, 1195, 1385 (SO_2), 1365, 1540 (NO_2). NMR (CDCl_3) δ : 2.48 (3H, s, CH_3), 7.39 (2H, d, $J=8.0$ Hz, two Ph–H), 8.04 (2H, d, $J=8.0$ Hz, two Ph–H), 7.68 (1H, s, $\text{C}_3\text{–H}$), 8.35 (1H, dd, $\text{C}_8\text{–H}$), 7.7–8.0 (3H, m, $\text{C}_5\text{–}$, $\text{C}_6\text{–}$ and $\text{C}_8\text{–H}$). Unreacted N-oxide was recovered from the CH_2Cl_2 eluate; 0.57 g (60%).

Reaction of Di(4-chloro-2-quinolyl) Ether (3c)—1 Hydrogenation: A solution of **3c** (0.25 g) in MeOH (40 ml) was hydrogenated at normal temperature and pressure over 50% Pd–C previously prepared *in situ* from active charcoal (0.3 g) and 1% PdCl_2 (15 ml). After absorption of 41.2 ml of hydrogen, the solution was filtered and concentrated, then made alkaline with NH_4OH and extracted with CHCl_3 . The residue from the CHCl_3 extract was chromatographed on silica gel. The CH_2Cl_2 eluate gave 0.03 g (15.0%) of di(2-quinolyl) ether (**11**),¹ colorless needles, mp 109–111° [(isoPr) $_2\text{O}$ – $n\text{-C}_6\text{H}_{14}$]. The eluate with CH_2Cl_2 –AcOEt (2:1) gave 0.02 g (21.2%) of quinoline. The AcOEt eluate afforded 0.04 g (37.7%) of carbostyryl.

2) Reaction with MeONa–MeOH: Compound **3c** (0.2 g) was added to a MeONa–MeOH solution prepared from Na (0.35 g) and anhyd. MeOH (10 ml), and the whole was refluxed for 6 hr. The reaction mixture was concentrated, treated with NaHCO_3 solution, and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 . The residue from the CH_2Cl_2 extract was chromatographed on silica gel. The fraction eluted with $n\text{-C}_6\text{H}_{14}$ –AcOEt (10:1) gave 0.06 g (53%) of 4-chloro-2-methoxyquinoline (**12**), colorless needles, mp 70–71° (petr. ether). *Anal.* Calcd for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_8\text{ClNO}$: C, 62.03; H, 4.16; N, 7.23. Found: C, 61.95; H, 4.00; N, 7.23. The AcOEt eluate gave 0.03 g (29%) of 4-chlorocarbostyryl (**5c**),⁶ colorless needles, mp 345–347° (EtOH).

4-Chloro-2-methoxyquinoline (12)—An ice-cooled and stirred solution of **1c** (0.9 g) in anhyd. MeOH (30 ml) was treated with TsCl (2.1 g) in small portions, followed by NEt_3 (1.2 g), then the whole was stirred at room temperature for 5 hr. The reaction mixture was concentrated, treated with NaHCO_3 solution, and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 . The residue from the CH_2Cl_2 extract was chromatographed on silica gel with $n\text{-C}_6\text{H}_{14}$ – CH_2Cl_2 (1:1) to give 0.84 g (87%) of **12**.

Hydrogenation of 4-Chloro-2-methoxyquinoline (12)—A solution of **12** (0.04 g) in MeOH (40 ml) containing AcONa (0.015 g) was hydrogenated over Pd–C previously prepared *in situ* from active charcoal (0.03 g) and 1% PdCl_2 (2 ml). After absorption of ca. 1 mol eq of hydrogen, the solution was filtered and concentrated, then treated with NaHCO_3 solution and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 . The residue from the CH_2Cl_2 extract was chromatographed on silica gel with $n\text{-C}_6\text{H}_{14}$ –benzene (2:1) to give two fractions. The first fraction gave 2-methoxyquinoline, which was isolated as 0.06 g (64.9%) of the picrate, mp 170–171° (EtOH). From the second fraction, 0.015 g (33%) of **12** was recovered.

Reaction of N-(4-Chloro-2-quinolyl)-4-chloro-2-quinolone (4c)—1 Hydrogenation: A solution of **4c** (0.3 g) in AcOH (20 ml)–MeOH (5 ml) containing AcONa (0.15 g) was hydrogenated at normal temperature and pressure over 50% Pd–C previously prepared *in situ* from active charcoal (0.3 g) and 1% PdCl_2 (15 ml). After absorption of 28.4 ml of hydrogen, the solution was filtered and concentrated, then made alkaline with NaHCO_3 solution and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 . The residue from the CH_2Cl_2 extract was chromatographed on silica gel with CH_2Cl_2 –AcOEt (1:1). The first fraction gave 0.08 g (26.7%) of unreacted **4c**. The second one afforded 0.07 g (29.2%) of N-(2-quinolyl)-2-quinolone (**14**),¹ colorless needles, mp 172–174° (EtOH– H_2O).

2) Reaction with MeONa–MeOH: Compound **4c** (0.15 g) was added to a solution of MeONa in MeOH prepared from Na (0.3 g) and anhyd. MeOH (22 ml), and the whole was refluxed for 16 hr. After concentration, NH_4OH was added, and the resulting mixture was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 . The residue from the CH_2Cl_2 extract was dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 –AcOEt (1:1) and passed through a silica gel column to give 0.13 g (98%) of **4b**.

Reaction of Di(4-methyl-2-quinolyl) Ether (3a) with KOH–MeOH—A mixture of **3a** (0.3 g) and KOH (1.0 g)–EtOH (15 ml) was refluxed for 3 hr. The reaction mixture was concentrated, made alkaline with ammonia and extracted with CHCl_3 . The residue from the CHCl_3 extract was recrystallized from MeOH to give 0.25 g (78.6%) of **5a**.³

Reaction of Di(6-methoxy-2-quinolyl) Ether (3d) with 10% HCl–EtOH—A solution of **3d** (0.1 g) in 10% HCl (5 ml)–EtOH (8 ml) was refluxed for 3 hr. The reactants were concentrated, made alkaline with NaHCO_3 solution and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 . The residue from the CH_2Cl_2 extract was recrystallized from EtOH– H_2O to give 0.086 g (82%) of **4d**.⁴

Reaction of 4-Chloroquinoline 1-Oxide (1c) with Carbstyryl in the Presence of TsCl and NEt_3 —An ice-cooled and stirred mixture of **1c** (0.45 g), carbstyryl (0.36 g), NEt_3 (5 ml), CHCl_3 (10 ml) and H_2O (10 ml) was treated dropwise with a solution of TsCl (1.15 g) in CHCl_3 (10 ml), and the whole was stirred at room temperature for 12 hr. The CHCl_3 layer was separated from the aqueous layer, which was extracted with CHCl_3 . The residue from the combined CHCl_3 solution was chromatographed on silica gel. The first fraction, eluted with $n\text{-C}_6\text{H}_{14}\text{-CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ (1:1), afforded 0.051 g (6%) of 4-chloro-2-tosyloxyquinoline (**2c**), colorless needles, mp $135\text{--}137^\circ$ [$\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2\text{-(isoPr)}_2\text{O}$]. *Anal.* Calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{12}\text{ClNO}_3\text{S}$: C, 57.57; H, 3.62; N, 4.20. Found: C, 57.52; H, 3.61; N, 4.12. The eluate with $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2\text{-AcOEt}$ (1:1) gave 0.051 g (12%) of **4c**. IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{Nujol}}$ cm^{-1} : 1180, 1195, 1375 (SO_2). NMR (CDCl_3) δ : 2.47 (3H, s, CH_3), 7.28 (1H, s, C₈-H), 7.34 (2H, d, $J=8.0$ Hz, two Ph-H), 8.01 (2H, d, $J=8.0$ Hz, two Ph-H). MS m/e : 333 (M^+). The last fraction, eluted with AcOEt, gave 0.07 g (19%) of carbstyryl.

Reaction of 6-Methoxyquinoline 1-Oxide (1d) with Carbstyryl in the Presence of TsCl and NEt_3 —A solution of TsCl (2.3 g) in CHCl_3 (20 ml) was added dropwise to an ice-cooled and stirred mixture of **1d** (0.88 g), carbstyryl (0.73 g), NEt_3 (5 ml), CHCl_3 (20 ml) and H_2O (20 ml), and the whole was stirred at room temperature for 12 hr. The CHCl_3 layer was separated from the aqueous layer, which was extracted with CHCl_3 . The residue from the combined CHCl_3 solution was carefully chromatographed on silica gel. The fraction eluted with $n\text{-C}_6\text{H}_{14}\text{-CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ (1:1) gave 0.16 g (10.7%) of 2-tosyloxyquinoline,¹⁾ colorless prisms, mp 82° ($n\text{-C}_6\text{H}_{14}$). The CH_2Cl_2 eluate afforded 0.60 g (39.5%) of 6-methoxy-2-quinolyl-2'-quinolyl ether (**15**), colorless needles, mp $153\text{--}154^\circ$ (95% EtOH). *Anal.* Calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$: C, 75.48; H, 4.67; N, 9.27. Found: C, 75.51; H, 4.63; N, 9.25. IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{Nujol}}$ cm^{-1} : 1240, 1255 (ether). NMR (CDCl_3) δ : 3.92 (3H, s, OCH_3). MS m/e : 302 (M^+). The eluate with $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2\text{-AcOEt}$ (3:1) gave 0.37 g (24.3%) of N-(6-methoxy-2-quinolyl)-2-quinolone (**16**), colorless needles, mp $197\text{--}197.5^\circ$ (EtOH). *Anal.* Calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$: C, 75.48; H, 4.67; N, 9.27. Found: C, 75.42; H, 4.76; N, 9.25. IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{Nujol}}$ cm^{-1} : 1245 (ether), 1660 (C=O). NMR (CDCl_3) δ : 3.97 (3H, s, OCH_3). MS m/e : 302 (M^+). In addition, 0.15 g (20.5%) of carbstyryl and 0.30 g (34%) of **5d** were isolated from the fractions eluted with AcOEt and with EtOH, respectively.

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