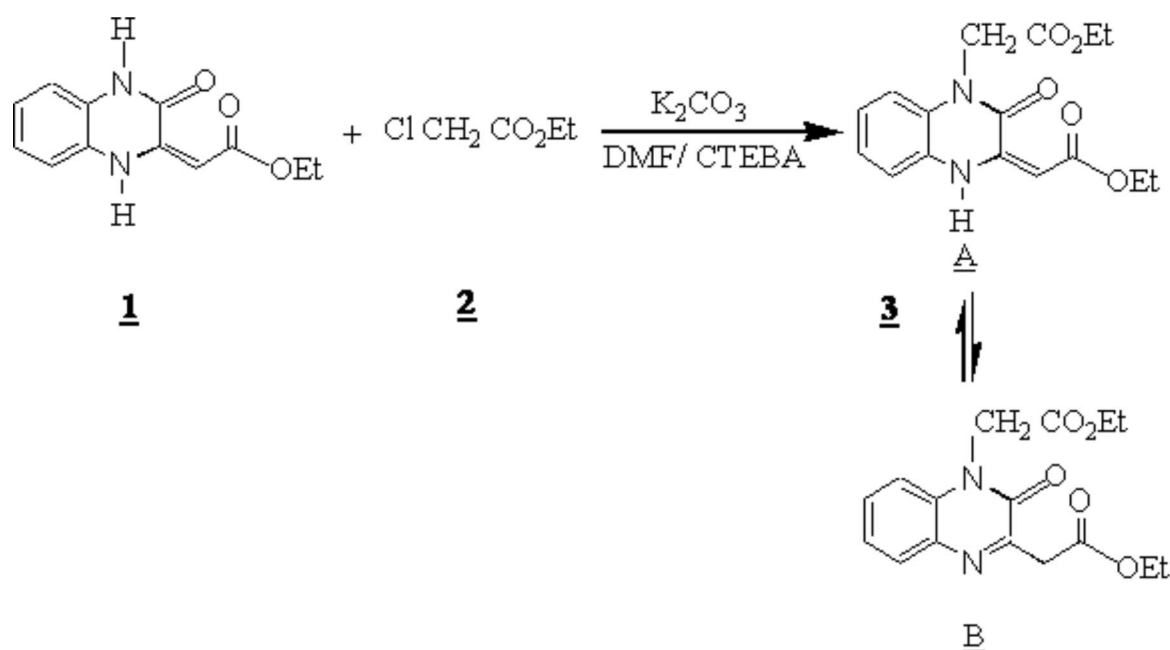


1-ethoxycarbonylmethyl-3-(ethoxycarbonylmethylene)-2-oxo quinoxaline**Souad Ferfra, Nouredine H.Ahabchane and El Mokhtar Essassi***

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The compound 3, which exists in tautomeric equilibria between enamine (form A) and methylene imine (form B), was prepared by addition of ethoxycarbonylmethyl chloride **2** (1.23g, 0.01 mol) to a solution of 3-(ethoxycarbonylmethylene)-2-oxo quinoxaline, **1** [1] (2.32 g, 0.01 mol) in 60 ml DMF, K_2CO_3 (1.38g, 0.01mol) and triethylbenzylammonium chloride (0.001 mol). The mixture was stirred for 24 hours at room temperature. After filtration, the solvent was evaporated and the residue was recrystallized from ethanol affording **3** in 90% yield.

Melting point: 154-156°C.

IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) : 1650 ($\nu_{\text{N-C=O}}$); 1720 ($\nu_{\text{N-C=O}}$).

$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (250 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 11.20 (0.5H, s, NH, form A); 7.87-6.82 (8H, m, ar); 5.83 (0.5H, s, =CH, form A); 5.01 (1H, s, NCH_2); 4.89 (1H, s, NCH_2); 4.21 (8H, m, CH_2); 3.95 (2H, s, CH_2 , form B); 1.27 (12H, m, CH_3).

$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (250MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 170.7 (Cq); 169.3 (Cq); 167.3 (Cq); 166.9 (Cq); 156.4 (Cq); 154.4 (Cq); 142.5 (Cq); 132.7 (Cq); 130.6 (CH_{ar}); 130.4 (CH_{ar}); 126.0 (Cq); 124.5 (CH_{ar}); 124.0 (CH_{ar}); 122.5 (CH_{ar}); 115.4 (CH_{ar}); 113.8 (CH_{ar}); 113.2 (CH_{ar}); 86.7 (=CH form A); 62.1 (CH_2); 62.0 (CH_2); 62.2

(CH₂); 59.9 (CH₂); 44.0 (NCH₂); 43.6 (NCH₂); 40.7 (CH₂ form B); 14.4 (CH₃); 14.1 (CH₃).

MS (I.E): 318 [M⁺].

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