

Short Note

## **1,1'-{1,4-Phenylene bis[3-(6-chloro-2-methyl-4-phenylquinolin-3-yl)-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrazole-5,1-diyl]}dibutan-1-one**

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**Abstract:** A new polycyclic compound, 1,1'-{1,4-phenylene bis[3-(6-chloro-2-methyl-4-phenylquinolin-3-yl)-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrazole-5,1-diyl]}dibutan-1-one (**3**) has been synthesized by cyclocondensation of (2*E*,2'*E*)-1,1'-bis(6-chloro-2-methyl-4-phenylquinolin-3-yl)-3,3'-(1,4-phenylene)diprop-2-en-1-one (**2**) and hydrazine hydrate in butanoic acid. The structure of this compound was established by elemental analysis, <sup>1</sup>H-NMR, <sup>13</sup>C-NMR, mass and IR spectroscopy.

**Keywords:** quinoline; pyrazoline; cyclocondensation; terephthalaldehyde

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## 1. Introduction

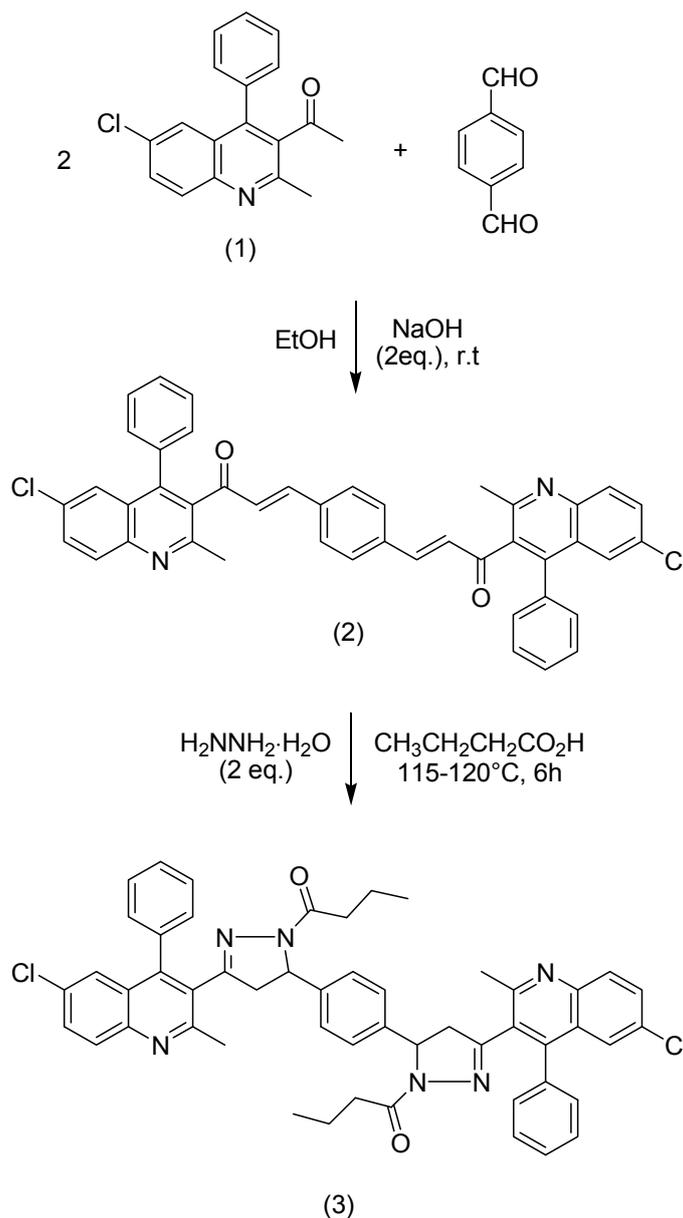
Quinoline nucleus is an important pharmacophore found in a large number of natural products and synthetic compounds with a wide range of applications. Indeed quinoline derivatives are some of the oldest compounds which have been utilized for the treatment of a variety of diseases; the bark of Cinchona plants containing quinine has been utilized to treat palpitations [1]. Compounds containing quinoline motif are most widely used as antimalarials [2], antibacterials [3], antifungals [4] and anticancer agents [5]. On the other hand, the pyrazoline moiety is an important nitrogen-containing 5-membered heterocyclic compound and various synthetic methods for their preparation have been reported [6]. Numerous pyrazoline derivatives have been found to possess considerable biological activities, which has stimulated the research activity in this field. They have several prominent effects, such as antimicrobial [7], antimycobacterial [8], anti-inflammatory, analgesic [9] and antiamebic activity [10]. 2-Pyrazolines seem to be the most frequently studied pyrazoline type compounds. As a result, a large number of 2-pyrazolines using different synthetic methods for their preparation have been described in the chemistry literature. An especially popular procedure is based on the reaction of  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated ketones with hydrazines [11–13]. The coupling of this chemical entity with a quinoline unit might be considered to have some biological activities. Here we are reporting a novel bis[3-(quinol-3-yl)pyrazoline] prepared by cyclocondensation of the known (2*E*,2'*E*)-1,1'-bis(6-chloro-2-methyl-4-phenylquinolin-3-yl)-3,3'-(1,4-phenylene)diprop-2-en-1-one (**2**) in presence of hydrazine hydrate (Scheme 1).

## 2. Experimental Section

### 2.1. General Methods

The starting materials were generally used as received (Acros, Fontenay-sous-Bois, France) without any further purification. Melting points were determined on an electrothermal capillary fine-control apparatus and are uncorrected. All IR spectra were performed on Shimadzu FT-IR-8201 PC spectrophotometer (Constantine, Algeria) and only significant absorption-band frequency is cited. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra were recorded in deuterated chloroform on a Brüker Avance DPX 250 spectrometer (Constantine, Algeria) at 250 MHz for proton and at 62.9 MHz for <sup>13</sup>C. Chemical shifts are given in ppm and *J* values in Hertz (Hz). The mass spectrum was scanned on a Shimadzu GCMS-QP2010 and the elemental analysis was obtained using a LECO CHNS-900 elemental analyzer (Lyon, France) and the values are within  $\pm 0.4\%$  of the theoretical values.

3-Acetyl-6-chloro-2-methyl-4-phenylquinoline (**1**) has been synthesized in accordance with established methods [14]. Spectroscopic results and physical properties are in agreement with literature reports [15,16].



**Scheme 1.** The synthesis of 1,1'-{1,4-phenylene bis[3-(6-chloro-2-methyl-4-phenylquinolin-3-yl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-5,1-diyl]}dibutan-1-one.

**2.2. Synthesis of 1,1'-{1,4-phenylene bis[3-(6-chloro-2-methyl-4-phenylquinolin-3-yl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrazole-5,1-diyl]}dibutan-1-one (3)**

A solution of 3-acetyl-6-chloro-2-methyl-4-phenylquinoline (2.00 g, 6.7682 mmol, 2 eq.) and terephthalaldehyde (0.4568 g, 3.3841 mmol, 1 eq.) in an ethanolic solution of NaOH 10% (1.0 g in 10 mL of ethanol) was stirred for 8 h at room temperature. The solution was poured into ice cold water and solution was adjusted to pH ~ 2 by HCl (1 N). The solid was separated off and then dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The organic layer was washed with a saturated solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and the solvent was evaporated to dryness. The residue was recrystallized from ethyl acetate/petroleum ether (1/1) solution to give the intermediate compound (2), m.p.: >300 °C, yield: 75%. Compound 2 is known in literature [17] and its structure has been confirmed by spectroscopic methods. Next, the title compound (3) was prepared by heating (2*E*,2'*E*)-1,1'-Bis(6-chloro-2-methyl-4-phenylquinolin-3-yl)-3,3'-(1,4-

phenylene)diprop-2-en-1-one **2** (1.0 g, 0.0014 mol) and hydrazine hydrate (0.1451 g, 0.0029 mol) in butanoic acid (20 mL) at 115–120 °C for 6 h. After completion, the solution was cooled, and then poured onto ice. The resulting solid was filtered, washed with water, dried, and then recrystallized from chloroform/ethyl acetate mixture (1:1).

White powder; (50% EtOAc in CH<sub>3</sub>Cl, R<sub>f</sub> = 0.46); Yield: 86%; m.p. > 300 °C.

HRMS (ESI): [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>52</sub>H<sub>47</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>2</sub> = 857.3138; found 857.3126.

IR (KBr)  $\nu_{\max}$  cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1639.4 (C=O ketone), 1566.1 (C=N pyrazoline).

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (250 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 8.66 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H, H-8 quinoline), 8.28 (dd, *J* = 8.4 Hz, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 2H, H-7 quinoline), 8.07-7.91 (m, 10H, H-Ar), 7.87–7.79 (m, 4H, H-Ar), 7.21 (s, 4H, phenylene), 5.86 (dd, *J* = 12.0 Hz, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 2H, H-5 pyrazoline), 3.64 (dd, *J* = 18.4 Hz, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 2H, H-4 pyrazoline), 3.36 (s, 6H, 2CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.33-3.16 (m, 4H, 2CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.98 (dd, *J* = 18.4 Hz, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 2H, H-4' pyrazoline), 2.12–2.35 (m, 4H, 2CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.52 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 6H, 2CH<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (62.9 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 171.82 (2CO), 156.55 (2C, C2 quinoline), 154.07(2C, C3 pyrazoline), 148.43, 147.52, 140.72, 135.67, 130.48, 130.02, 129.60, 128.87, 128.76, 128.65, 126.64, 126.48, 126.04, 125.80, 124.68 (C, CH phenyl and quinoline, 34C), 59.28 (2CH, C5 pyrazoline), 46.30 (2CH<sub>2</sub>, C4 pyrazoline), 36.42 (2CH<sub>2</sub>), 24.87 (2CH<sub>2</sub>), 18.77 (2CH<sub>3</sub>), 14.10 (2CH<sub>3</sub>).

Anal. calcd. For C<sub>52</sub>H<sub>46</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: C, 72.80; H, 5.40; N, 9.80; Found C, 72.82; H, 5.39; N, 9.83.

Copies of these spectra should be provided in the Supplementary Materials.

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## Conflicts of Interest

The authors declare no conflict of interest.

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