

## Note

### Synthesis and anti microbial activity of quinoxaline based thiazolidinones and azetidinones

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Several 2-aryl-3- (3'methyl quinoxalin-2'-yl-amino) 4-thiazolidinones **6a-l** and 1-N-(3'methylquinoxalin-2'-yl-amino)4-aryl -3-chloro-2-azetidinones **7a-l** have been synthesized and tested for their antimicrobial and antifungal activity against different microorganism. The structure of compounds **6a-l** and **7a-l** have been conformed on the basis of their elemental and spectral data.

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Quinoxaline and its analogs constitute the active class of the compounds possessing wide spectrum of biological activity<sup>1-8</sup>, antiviral<sup>9</sup> (Hepatitis-B), antimicrobial<sup>10</sup>, and amoebicidal<sup>11</sup> activity. Further thiazolidinones and azetidinones are well famed for their antimicrobial<sup>12-22</sup> activities. In the light of above fact we have synthesized some new 4-thiazolidinones and 2-azetidinones derivatives incorporating quinoxaline moiety with the hope to possess better antimicrobial activity. All the synthesized compounds were screened for their antibacterial and antifungal activities against some selected microbes.

### Results and Discussion

The chemical synthesis initiate with the reaction of *o*-phenylenediamine **1** and ethyl pyruvate were mixed in dry benzene to yield 2-hydroxy-3-methyl quinoxaline **2**, compound **2** on treatment with phosphorus oxychloride yielded 2-chloro-3-methyl quinoxaline **3**. The chloro compound and hydrazine hydrate were refluxed in ethanol for 3 hr. to yield 2-hydrazino 3-methyl quinoxaline **4**. A mixture of compound **4** and different aromatic aldehydes in methanol refluxed to give 3-methyl-2- (arylidene hydrazine) quinoxaline **5a-l**. The compounds **5a-l** was refluxed with thioglycolic acid to yield 2-aryl-3-

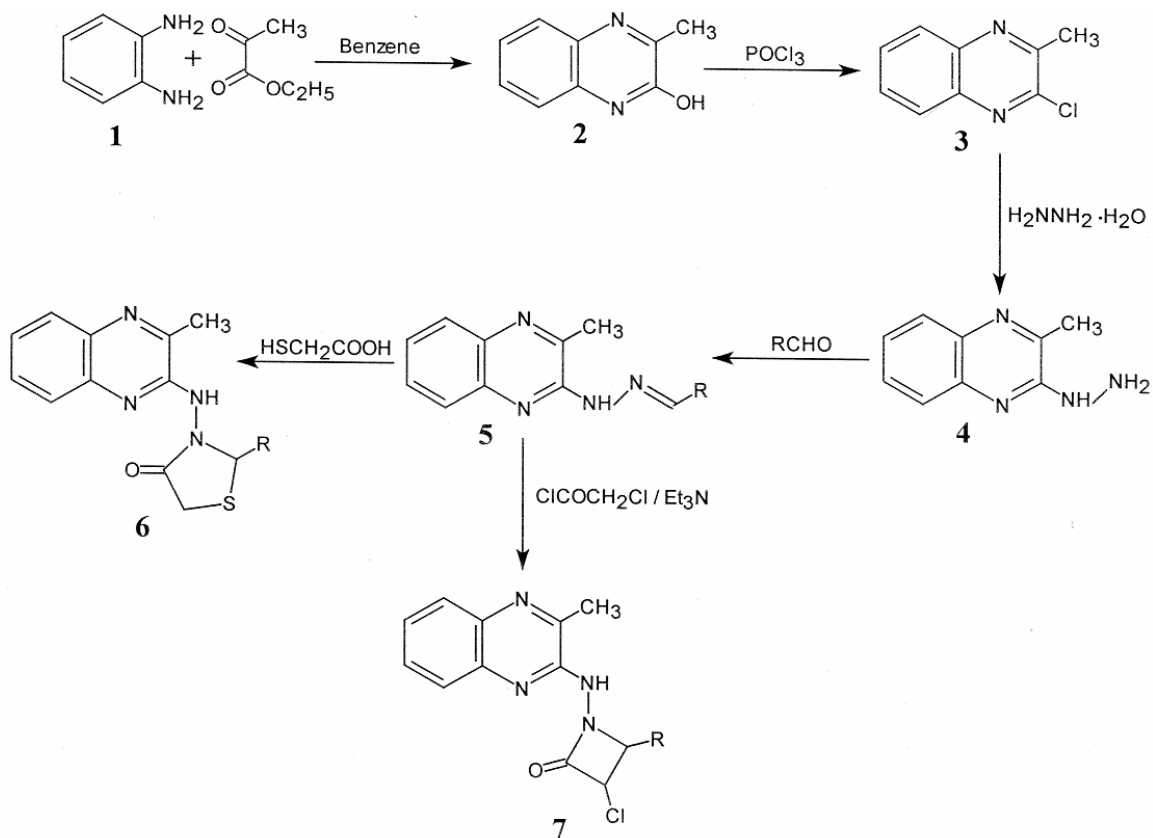
(3'methyl quinoxalin-2'-yl-amino) 4-thiazolidinones **6a-l**. The compounds **7a-l** were synthesized by reacting compounds **5a-l** with chloro acetyl chloride in presence of triethyl amine (**Scheme I**). The structure of all the newly quinoxaline derivatives were confirmed on the basis of their spectral and analytical data.

### Antimicrobial activity

The antimicrobial activity was assayed by the cup-plate agar diffusion method<sup>23-24</sup> at the concentration of 40 µg/mL. All the synthesized compounds were tested *in vitro* for their antimicrobial activities against various microbes such as *Escherichia Coli*, *A. niger*, *Bacillus subtilis*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* etc. Plates incubated 24 hr for bactericidal and 48 hr for fungicidal activities the inhibition zone of testing compounds was measured in mm (**Table I**). Under the identical conditions, the standard antibiotics showed zone of inhibition like ampicillin 15-26 mm, chloramphenicol 15-18 mm, penicillin 18-23 mm against bacterial strains. It can be concluded from the **Table I** that compounds **6a**, **6b**, **6c**, **6g**, **6h**, **6i** and **7d**, **7i** and **7l** were highly active against *Bacillus Subtilis*. The compound **6b**, **6e**, **6f**, **6h** and **7b**, **7c**, **7d**, and **7f** showed significant activity against *Bacillus serus* and **6a**, **6g**, **6j**, **7b**, **7d**, **7k** and **7l** were found active against pseudomonas. In the case of *Escherichia coli*, all the compounds **6** and **7d**, **7i**, **7j**, and **7k** showed maximum activity. All the compounds **6** and **7d**, **7e** and **7i** showed highest activity against *Aspergillum niger*. The other compounds showed either moderate or less activity against these organism.

### Discussion

The IR. spectrum of compound **4** showed a sharp doublet at 3286 and 3188 cm<sup>-1</sup> due to the NH str of NH<sub>2</sub>. Compound **4** on condensation with carbonyl compounds, these bands disappear and a band at 3298 cm<sup>-1</sup> is observed due to NH str of NH=N- group. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound **4** showed a broad signal at δ 4.25 due to NH<sub>2</sub> protons and at 6.5 the characteristics of NH proton. The compound on condensation with carbonyl compounds the hydrazone formed shows the disappearance of NH<sub>2</sub> proton signals, while that of NH proton signal is shifted up



a:	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	g:	2OH <sub>3</sub> OCH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>
b:	2OHC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	h:	4OH <sub>3</sub> OCH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>
c:	4OHC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	i:	2OCH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>
d:	2ClC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	j:	4OCH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>
e:	2NO <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	k:	C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>3</sub> OC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>
f:	3NO <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	l:	CH=CHC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>

## Scheme I

Table I — Antimicrobial data (inhibition zones 16 mm- 25 mm) of some selected synthesized compounds

Standard Antibiotics	<i>B.subtilis</i>	<i>B.serus</i>	<i>E.coli</i>	<i>Pseudomonas</i>	<i>A.niger</i>
Ampicillin	6a,6b,6c	6b,6c,	6a-6l	6a,6g,6j	6c,6h,6i
15-25mm	6g,6h,6i	6f,6h,	7d,7i	7b,7d,7k	6j,6k,6l
Chloramphenicol	7d,7i,7l	7b,7c,	7j,7k	7l	7d,7e,7i
15-28 mm		7d,7f			
Penicillin					
18-23 mm					
Greseofulvin					
15-20 mm					

a,C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>-; b,2-OH-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>-; c,4-OH-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>-; d,2-Cl-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>-; e,2-NO<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>-; f,3-NO<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>-; g,2-OH-3-OCH<sub>3</sub>- C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>;  
 h,4-OH-3-OCH<sub>3</sub>- C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-; i,2-OCH<sub>3</sub>- C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-; j,4-OCH<sub>3</sub>- C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-; k,C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>3</sub>O C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>-; l,-CH=CH- C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>-

field at  $\delta$  9.12 as a result of de shielding effect of CH=N- group. The proton of azomethine (-N=CH-) group lead to a sharp singlet at 8.4. The multiplet signals at 6.9-8.4 are the characteristics of the aromatic ring protons. A sharp signal appears at  $\delta$  3.93, the characteristics of the protons of -OCH<sub>3</sub>, similarly a sharp signal at  $\delta$  2.27 is characteristics of the protons of -CH<sub>3</sub>. In all the compounds a sharp singlet at  $\delta$  2.6 is due to the protons of -CH<sub>3</sub> attached to the heteryl nucleus (quinoxaline ring). In case of 2-*p*-anisyl-3-(3'-methylquinoxalin-2'-yl-amino) 4-thiazolidinone gave a sharp signal at  $\delta$  3.69 the characteristics of the protons of -CH<sub>2</sub> group of 4-thiazolidinone ring. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of 1-*N*-(3'-methylquinoxalin-2'-yl-amino) 4-2'methoxy benzyldene -3-chloro-2-azetidione gave two doublets at  $\delta$  4.67 and 3.75 due to the two hydrogen atoms on C<sub>3</sub> and C<sub>4</sub> carbon atom respectively.

### Experimental Section

All the recorded melting points were determined in open capillaries and are uncorrected. IR spectra were recorded on a simadzu FT-IR -8400 spectrophotometer and <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra on Bruker Spectrometer (300 Mz) using TMS as an internal standard. All chemical shift values were recorded as  $\delta$  (ppm).

**2-Hydrazino-3-methyl quinoxaline 4.** *o*-Phenylenediamine (0.01 mole) and ethyl pyruvate (0.01 mole) were mixed in dry benzene to yield 2-hydroxy-3-methyl quinoxaline which (0.01 mole) on treatment with phosphorus oxychloride (6 mL) yielded 2-chloro-3-methyl quinoxaline. The chloro compound (0.015 mole) and hydrazine hydrate (0.02 mole 99%) in ethanol (25 mL) refluxed for 3 hr. to yield 2-hydrazino 3-methyl quinoxaline **4** yield 92.5%; m.p. 172 °C. The product was recrystallised with ethanol to give the pure compound. IR (KBr) 3288 and 3186 (doublet for NH of NH<sub>2</sub>), 1625 (C=N Str), 1573 (-NH def) 1191 cm<sup>-1</sup> (-C-N Str). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  2.52 (s, 3H) 4.25 (br, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub> D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable) 6.2 (br, 1H, NH) 7.74 & 7.86 (d, 2H, quinoxaline ring protons), 7.43 and 7.56 (t, 2H, quinoxaline ring protons) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR showed signals at  $\delta$  127.98 (d, C-5), 127.52 (d, C-6), 129.62 (d, C-7), 129.69 (d, C-8), 140.36 (s, C-9), 141.18 (s, C-10), 147.02 (s, C-2), 152.00 (s, C-3) carbon atoms of quinoxaline moiety and  $\delta$  22,83 (quartet) ppm of methyl carbon on C-2. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>4</sub> C,

62.05; H, 5.78; N, 31.17. Found: C, 62.25; H, 5.92; N, 32.01%.

**3-Methyl-2-(2'-hydroxy-3'-methoxy benzyldene) hydrazine quinoxaline 5g.** A mixture of compound **4** (0.01 mole) and *p*-methoxybenzaldehyde (0.01 mole) in methanol was refluxed for 6 hr. The product separated was isolated and neutralized with sodium bisulphite to get 3-methyl-2-(4'-methoxy benzyldene) hydrazino quinoxaline yield 85%; m.p. 185 °C. IR (KBr): 3540 (-NH Str), 1600 (C=N Str), 1541 (NH def) 1166 (C-N Str) and 1040 cm<sup>-1</sup> (-C-OCH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  2.62 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.95 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 6.85 and 6.95 (d, 2H, *J*=10Hz part of A<sub>2</sub>B<sub>2</sub>system of protons from methoxy containing aryl ring) 7.0 and 7.25 (d, 2H, quinoxaline ring protons) 7.2 and 7.35 (t, 2H, quinoxaline ring protons), 7.75 and 7.85 (d, 2H, *J*=10Hz part of A<sub>2</sub>B<sub>2</sub>system of protons from methoxy containing aryl ring) 8.4 (s, 1H, N=CH-), and 9.12(s, 1H, -NH-N). Anal. Found C, 65.99; H, 5.15; N, 18.10 C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub> requires C, 66.23; H, 5.19 and N, 18.18%. Similarly other member of compound **5** was prepared.

**2-*p*-Anisyl-3 (-3' methyl quinoxalin-2' yl-amino) 4-thiazolidinones 6.** A mixture of 3-methyl-2-(*p*-methoxy benzyldene hydrazino)quinoxaline (0.01 mole) and thioglycolic acid (0.94 g 0.01 mole) was heated on the oil-bath at 115-20 °C for 12 hr. The resulting mass was treated with 10% sodium bicarbonate and the product was isolated, yield 50%; m.p. 145 °C. IR (KBr) 3361 (-NH Str), 1708 (C=O Str), 1660 (C=N Str), 1577 (NH def) 1184 (C-N Str), 1040 (-C-OCH<sub>3</sub>) and 659 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C-S-C Str). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): $\delta$  2.62 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.69 (s, 2H, -CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.93 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>) 5.39 (s, 1H, CH-Ar) 6.85 and 6.95 (d, 2H, Ar-H), 7.75 & 7.85 (d, 2H) 7.0 and 7.25 (d,2H, quinoxaline ring protons), 7.2 and 7.35 (t, 2H, quinoxaline ring protons) 8.80 (br, 1H). Anal. Found C, 61.80; H, 4.60; N, 11.40. C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S requires C, 62.12; H, 4.63 and N, 11.44%. Similarly other members of compounds **6** were prepared.

**Preparation of 1-*N*-(3' methyl quinoxalin-2'yl-amino) 4-aryl-3-chloro-2-azetidiones 7.** To a solution of 3-methyl-2-(2'-methoxy benzyldene hydrazino) quinoxaline (0.01 mole) in dry dioxane (35 mL) was added to well-stirred mix of triethyl amine (0.012 Mole) and chloroacetyl chloride (0.012 mole) at low temperature. The resulting solid was crystallized from chloroform-methanol mixture to give pure 1-*N*-(3' methyl quinoxalin-2'-yl-amino) 4-

aryl-3-chloro-2-azetidinone yield 58%; m.p. 148 °C. IR (KBr): 3256(-NH Str), 1762 ( $\beta$ -lactam ring C=O Str), 1604 (C=N Str), 1542 (NH def) 1184 (C-N Str), 1040 (-C-OCH<sub>3</sub>) and 752 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C-Cl Str). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  2.69 (s, 3H), 4.97 (d, 1H), 3.74 (d, 1H), 3.97 (s, 3H) 6.92-7.8 (m, 4H) 7.43 & 7.56 (t, 2H, quinoxaline ring protons), 7.74 and 7.86 (d, 2H, quinoxaline ring protons) 11.6 (br, 1H). Anal. Found C, 62.0; H, 4.85; N, 15.20. C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Cl requires C, 62.12; H, 4.90 and N, 15.25%.

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