

SYNTHESIS OF 4-SUBSTITUTED PYRIMIDO[5,4-C]CINNOLINE DERIVATIVES

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ABSTRACT

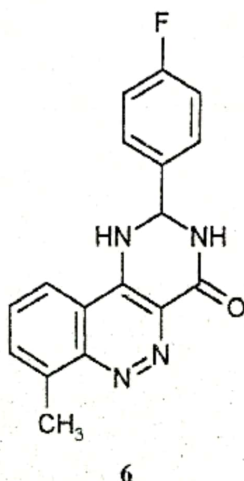
Reaction of 4-aminocinnoline-3-carboxamide or its 8-methyl derivative **1a,b** with triethyl orthoformate and acetic anhydride gave rise to the corresponding pyrimido[5,4-c]cinnolin-3/1-4-ones **2a-d**. 2-Methylpyrimido derivatives **2c,d** could also be obtained via ammonolysis of 2-methyl-1,3-oxazino[5,4-c]cinnolin-4-ones **4a,b**. On the other hand, reaction of **1a,b** with araldehydes afforded 2-arylpyrimidocinnolines **5a-e**. Reacting compounds **2a-d** with hydrazine and different amines produced the corresponding 4-substituted amino or hydrazino derivatives **7-9**. This revealed the reactivity of the 4-position of **2** towards nucleophilic substitution. Attempts to cyclize **7a-d** to triazolopyrimidocinnolines are discussed.

INTRODUCTION

Several pyrimido[5,4-c]cinnolines have been reported to possess CNS⁽¹⁾, bactericidal⁽²⁾ and anti-inflammatory⁽³⁾ activity.

Pyrimido[5,4-c]cinnolines **2a,b** (Scheme, Table 1) are reported to be prepared in 60-80 % yield by reacting 4-aminocinnoline-3-carboxamides^(4,6) **1** with formamide⁽⁵⁾ or with a mixture of formamide and triethylorthoformate⁽⁶⁾. In this study, **2a,b** were prepared in 85 % yield using a mixture of triethyl orthoformate and acetic anhydride. 2-Methylpyrimidocinnolines **2c,d** were readily prepared by refluxing **1** in acetic anhydride only or by reacting oxazino[5,4-c]cinnolines⁽⁷⁾ **4** with NH₄OH. Oxazino compounds **4** in turn were prepared via cyclocondensation of aminocinnoline carboxylic acids⁽⁴⁾ **3** with acetic anhydride.

Attempts to prepare 2-(4-fluorophenyl)-7-methylpyrimido[5,4-c]cinnolin-4-one **5a** by reacting **1b** with *p*-fluorobenzaldehyde in absolute ethanol containing a catalytic amount of HCl were unsuccessful. Replacing ethanol by DMF and heating for 12 hours gave rise to the tetrahydropyrimido derivative **6**. Nevertheless, this amination intermediate was oxidized⁽⁸⁾ to the required pyrimidocinnoline **5a** when heating was continued for 24 hours. Accordingly, overnight refluxing of **1** with the appropriate aldehyde in acidic DMF afforded 2-arylpyrimidocinnolines **5**.



4-Hydrazinopyrimido[5,4-c]cinnolines **7a,b** are reported⁽⁵⁾ to be prepared by reacting pyrimido-

cinnolin-4-ones **2a,b** with POCl₃ and tetramethylammonium chloride to give the corresponding 4-chloro derivatives which were then reacted with hydrazine. In this study, it was possible to obtain the hydrazino compounds **7** (Table 2) in 50-60 % yields by reacting pyrimidocinnolin-4-ones **2** directly with excess hydrazine in a mixture of DMF and ethanol for 20 hours. Furthermore, reacting **2** with excess benzylamine, cyclopentylamine, piperidine or weaker nucleophile; aniline afforded 50-70 % yield of the corresponding 4-substituted amino derivatives **8** and **9** (Table 2) which were isolated from unreacted **2** and excess amine and purified by crystallization from toluene. Apparently the reaction of hydrazine or an amine with **2** proceeds via an addition elimination mechanism (S_NAr). Although S_NAr reactions are not unusual in the pyrimidine nucleus, it was significant to observe that the IR (KBr) spectra of compounds **2** (and **5**) showed strong carbonyl absorption at 1720 (**2a**), 1725 (**2b**) and 1690 (**2c,d**) cm⁻¹. It is possible that the electron-withdrawing effect of the cinnoline ring nitrogens contributes to these high carbonyl frequencies. It is also conceivable that this effect should further facilitate a nucleophilic attack at position 4 and, in addition to pyrimidine ring nitrogens, stabilize an anion intermediate. The obtainment of 4-piperidino derivatives **9** from the reaction of **2** with piperidine also indicated the steric accessibility of the 4-position.

In 1994, Nargund et al reported⁽⁵⁾ on the synthesis of triazolo[3',4':6,1]pyrimido[5,4-c]cinnoline **10** by refluxing 4-hydrazino derivative **7b** in excess triethyl orthoformate for 2 hours. The reported⁽⁵⁾ δ values for H-3 and H-5 signals in DMSO-*d*₆ were 10.1 and 9.7 ppm respectively. This procedure was reexamined in this investigation but gave no evidence for the formation of fused triazolo product as claimed.

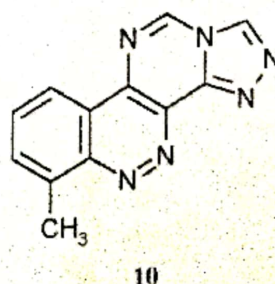


Table (1): Pyrimido[5,4-c]cinnolin-4-ones 2 and 5

No	R ¹	R ²	Yield %	TLC ^a R _f	M.F. (Mol. wt.)	Microanalyses Calcd / (Found)		
						C	H	N
2a ^b	H	H	82	0.39	--	--	--	--
2b ^c	Me	H	85	0.42	--	--	--	--
2c	H	Me	85 ^d	0.45	C ₁₁ H ₈ N ₄ O (212.2)	62.25 (62.0)	3.79 (4.0)	26.40 (26.0)
2d	Me	Me	85 ^d	0.50	C ₁₂ H ₁₀ N ₄ O (226.2)	63.70 (64.0)	4.45 (4.8)	24.76 (24.4)
5a	Me	4-FC ₆ H ₄	57	0.49	C ₁₇ H ₁₁ FN ₄ O (306.2)	66.66 (66.7)	3.61 (3.5)	18.29 (18.3)
5b	Me	4-ClC ₆ H ₄	54	0.41	C ₁₇ H ₁₁ ClN ₄ O (322.7)	63.26 (63.5)	3.43 (3.2)	17.35 (17.5)
5c	Me	C ₆ H ₅	50	0.48	C ₁₇ H ₁₂ N ₄ O (288.3)	70.82 (71.0)	4.19 (4.6)	19.43 (19.8)
5d	H	4-ClC ₆ H ₄	55	0.40	C ₁₆ H ₉ ClN ₄ O (308.7)	62.24 (62.3)	2.93 (3.2)	18.14 (18.2)
5e	H	3-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄	55	0.39	C ₁₆ H ₉ N ₂ O ₃ (319.2)	60.19 (59.9)	2.84 (3.0)	21.93 (22.0)

- ^a Silica (PhI/CCl₄/MeOH/triethylamine, 9:1.5:3:0.1)

- ^b Reported⁽⁵⁾ mp 359-360 °C (DMF).

- ^c Reported^(5,6) mp 350-351 °C (DMF).

- ^d Method A

- Compound 2d was crystallized from DMSO; all other compounds from DMF, mp of all compounds > 300 °C

Table (2): 4-Substitutedaminopyrimido[5,4-c]cinnolines 7-9 and 11

No	R ¹	R ²	R ³	Yield %	Mp °C (Cryst. solvent)	M.F.	Microanalyses Calcd / (Found)		
							C	H	N
7a ^a	H	H	NH ₂	60	260-62 (DMF)	--	--	--	--
7b ^b	Me	H	NH ₂	62	267-70 (DMF)	--	--	--	--
7c	H	Me	NH ₂	50	277-80 (MeCN)	C ₁₁ H ₁₀ N ₆ (226.2)	58.39 (58.0)	4.45 (4.5)	37.14 (37.4)
7d	Me	Me	NH ₂	56	292-95 (DMF)	C ₁₂ H ₁₂ N ₆ (240.2)	59.98 (59.9)	5.03 (4.7)	34.97 (34.7)
8a	H	Me	Bn	68	240-43 (PhMe)	C ₁₇ H ₁₃ N ₅ (287.3)	71.06 (71.4)	4.56 (4.8)	24.37 (24.6)
8b	Me	Me	Bn	70	228-30 (PhMe)	C ₁₉ H ₁₇ N ₅ (315.3)	72.36 (72.0)	5.43 (5.2)	22.20 (22.2)
8c	Me	H	Cyclopentyl	59	282-84 (PhMe)	C ₁₆ H ₁₇ N ₅ (279.3)	68.79 (68.9)	6.13 (6.5)	25.07 (25.2)
8d	H	H	Ph	56	268-70 (PhMe)	C ₁₆ H ₁₁ N ₅ (273.2)	70.31 (70.1)	4.05 (4.2)	25.62 (25.5)
8e	Me	Me	Ph	50	260-63 (PhMe)	C ₁₈ H ₁₅ N ₅ (301.3)	71.74 (71.7)	5.01 (4.6)	23.23 (23.2)
9a	H	H		55	280-82 (PhMe)	C ₁₅ H ₁₅ N ₅ (265.3)	67.90 (68.0)	5.69 (5.6)	26.39 (26.0)

Table (2): continued

9b	Me	H		57	282-84 (PhMe)	C ₁₆ H ₁₇ N ₅ (279.3)	68.79 (68.6)	6.13 (6.4)	25.07 (24.9)
9c	H	Me		69	275-76 (PhMe)	C ₁₆ H ₁₇ N ₅ (279.3)	68.79 (68.9)	6.13 (6.4)	25.07 (25.3)
9d	Me	Me		64	266-68 (PhMe)	C ₁₇ H ₁₉ N ₅ (293.3)	69.60 (69.2)	6.52 (6.5)	23.87 (24.0)
11a	H	Me	NHAc	85	>300 (DMF)	C ₁₃ H ₁₂ N ₆ O (268.2)	58.20 (57.8)	4.50 (4.6)	31.32 (30.8)
11b	Me	Me	NHAc	87	>300 (EtOH/H ₂ O)	C ₁₄ H ₁₄ N ₆ O (282.3)	59.56 (59.4)	4.99 (5.0)	29.76 (29.8)

^a Reported mp 260-262 °C (DMF).^b Reported mp 265-266 °C (DMF).

EXPERIMENTAL

Mp (uncorrected) : Griffin apparatus. IR: Shimadzu-IR 435. ¹H-NMR: Jeol FXQ-90, Jeol EX-270 or Varian-200, using tetramethylsilane as internal standard. EIMS: Hewlett Packard 5988 or Finnigan SSQ 7000. TLC: UV-fluorescent plastic-backed sheets with silica (Merck 60 F254); solvent system: PhH: CHCl₃: MeOH: triethylamine (9: 1.5: 3: 0.1). Elemental analyses were carried out at the Microanalytical Center, Cairo University, Cairo, Egypt.

The following compounds were prepared according to reported methods: 4-aminocinnoline-3-carboxamide⁽⁴⁾ (1a), 4-amino-8-methylcinnoline-3-carboxamide^(4,5) (1b), 4-aminocinnoline-3-carboxylic acid⁽⁴⁾ (3a), 4-amino-8-methylcinnoline-3-carboxylic acid⁽⁴⁾ (3b), 2-methyl-1,3-oxazino[5,4-c]cinnolin-4-one⁽⁷⁾ (4a), 2,7-dimethyl-1,3-oxazino[5,4-c]cinnolin-4-one⁽⁷⁾ (4b).

Pyrimido[5,4-c]cinnolin-3H-4-one^(5,6) (2a) and 7-Methylpyrimido[5,4-c]cinnolin-3H-4-one⁽⁵⁾ (2b).

A mixture of 1a or 1b (0.01 mol), acetic anhydride (0.1 mol) and triethyl orthoformate (0.09 mol) was refluxed for 4 h. The mixture was cooled, filtered and the precipitate was purified by crystallization (Table 1):
2a: IR (KBr) 3500, 3100-2700, 1720, 1680, 1600 cm⁻¹.
2b: IR (KBr) 3600-2800, 3450, 1725-1710, 1680, 1600 cm⁻¹.
¹H-NMR (DMSO-*d*₆) (2b): δ 8.58 (d, 1H, ArH), 8.51 (s, 1H, H-2), 7.96 (m, 2H, ArH), 3.00 (s, 3H, CH₃) ppm.

2-Methylpyrimido[5,4-c]cinnolin-3H-4-one (2c) and 2,7-Dimethylpyrimido[5,4-c]cinnolin-3H-4-one⁽⁵⁾ (2d).

Method A:

A mixture of 1a or 1b (0.01 mol) and acetic anhydride (25 ml, 0.26 mol) was refluxed for 4 h. The mixture was cooled, filtered and the precipitate was crystallized (Table 1).

Method B:

A suspension of 4a or 4b (0.01 mol) in ammonium hydroxide solution (50%, 50 ml) was stirred at

ambient temperature for an overnight. A solution of sodium hydroxide (10%, 30 ml) was added and the mixture was refluxed for 1h, cooled and acidified with acetic acid. The separated solid was washed with ice-cold water, dried and crystallized from DMF (2c) or DMSO (2d) (Table 1) in 70 and 65 % yield, respectively.

2c: IR (KBr) 3450, 3200-2700, 1690, 1620 cm⁻¹.

2d: IR (KBr) 3600-2700, 3400, 3300, 1690-1660, 1600 cm⁻¹.

EIMS *m/z* 226 (M)⁺ (100%), 185 (M-CH₃CN)⁺ (4%).

2-Arylpyrimido[5,4-c]cinnolin-3H-4-ones (5a-e).

A mixture of 1a or 1b (0.01 mol) and the appropriate aromatic aldehyde (0.03 mol) in dry DMF (25ml) containing HCl (0.2 ml) was refluxed for 24 h. The mixture was concentrated, cooled and filtered. The precipitate was washed with hot benzene, dried and recrystallized (Table 1).

5a: IR (KBr) 3400, 1725 cm⁻¹; ¹H-NMR (DMSO-*d*₆) δ 13.28 (br, 1H, NH, D₂O exchangeable), 8.40 (d, 2H, ArH), 7.95-7.92 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.72-7.59 (m, 3H, ArH), 3.01 (s, 3H, CH₃) ppm.

5b: IR (KBr) 3400, 1690, 1600 cm⁻¹; ¹H-NMR (DMSO-*d*₆) δ 13.3 (br, 1H, NH, D₂O exchangeable), 8.59 (m, 1H, ArH), 8.31 (d, 2H, ArH), 7.80 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.63 (d, 2H, ArH), 2.94 (s, 3H, CH₃) ppm.

5c: IR (KBr) 3300, 1710, 1610 cm⁻¹; EIMS *m/z* 288 (M)⁺ (100%).

5d: IR (KBr) 3230, 1705, 1600 cm⁻¹; EIMS *m/z* 310 (M+2)⁺ (35.2%), 308 (M)⁺ (100%), 280 (M-N₂)⁺ (28.4%).

5e: IR (KBr) 3400, 1710 cm⁻¹.

2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-7-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyrimido[5,4-c]cinnolin-4-one (6).

A mixture of 1b (1.9 g, 0.01mol) and 4-fluorobenzaldehyde (3.1 ml, 0.028 mol) in dry DMF (25 ml) containing HCl (0.2 ml) was refluxed for 12 h. The reaction mixture was cooled, filtered and the precipitate was crystallized from DMF to give 1.4 g (45%) of 6: mp 294-296°C; R_f 0.44; IR (KBr) 3400, 3100, 1690 cm⁻¹; ¹H-NMR (DMSO-*d*₆) δ 13.31 (s, 1H, NH, D₂O exchangeable), 8.64 (m, 1H, H-2), 8.36 (m,

2H, ArH), 7.96-7.82 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.70-7.58 (m, 3H, ArH) and 2.96 (s, 3H, CH₃) ppm.
Anal Calcd for C₁₇H₁₃N₃O (308.3): C, 66.22; H, 4.24; N, 18.17.
Found: C, 66.5; H, 3.9; N, 18.3.

4-Hydrazinopyrimido[5,4-c]cinnolines (7a-d).

A mixture of the appropriate pyrimidocinnoline 2a-d (0.01 mol), hydrazine monohydrate (99%) (10 ml, 0.20 mol), absolute ethanol (10ml) and dry DMF (5 ml) was refluxed for 18 h. The mixture was evaporated, cooled and the separated solid was purified by crystallization (Table 2).

7b⁽⁹⁾: IR (KBr) 3400, 3350-3170, 1670, 1640-1620 cm⁻¹.

7c: IR (KBr) 3350, 3300, 3150-3050, 1660, 1625 cm⁻¹; EIMS *m/z* 226 (M)⁺ (4.5%), 199 (M-HCN)⁺ (5.5%), 185 (M-McCN)⁺ (15%), 171 (M-HCN, N₂)⁺ (11.5%), 130 (M-HCN, N₂, MeCN)⁺ (4.7%).

7d: IR (KBr) 3400, 3350, 3320, 3270, 1670, 1640-1620 cm⁻¹; ¹H-NMR(DMSO-*d*₆) δ 10.13 (br, 1H, NH, D₂O exchangeable), 8.23 (d, 1H, ArH), 7.84 (m, 2H, ArH), 4.58(s, 2H, NH₂, D₂O exchangeable), 3.31 (s, 3H, 2-CH₃), 2.85(s, 3H, 7-CH₃) ppm; EIMS *m/z* 240 (M)⁺ (1.6%), 199 (M-McCN)⁺ (1%), 157 (M-C₃H₅N₃)⁺ (2.7%).

4-Benzylaminopyrimido[5,4-c]cinnoline (8a) and 4-benzylamino-2,7-dimethylpyrimido[5,4-c]cinnoline (8b).

To an ethanolic solution of benzylamine (50%) (15 ml, 0.068 mol), was added pyrimidocinnolin-4-one 2a or 2d (0.01 mol) and the solution was refluxed for 20 h. The mixture was evaporated, the residue was washed repeatedly with pet ether (40-60°C), and the remaining solid was crystallized from toluene (Table 2):

8a: IR (KBr) 3400, 1610 cm⁻¹.

8b: IR (KBr) 3400, 1600 cm⁻¹; ¹H-NMR(CDCl₃-*d*₀) δ 8.78 (m, 1H, ArH), 8.01 (br, 1H, D₂O exchangeable), 7.82 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.48-7.26 (m, 5H, ArH), 4.97 (m, 2H, CH₂Ph), 3.09 (s, 3H, 2-CH₃), 2.78 (s, 3H, 7-CH₃) ppm; EIMS *m/z* (M)⁺ (100%), 300 (M-CH₃)⁺ (5.3%), 224 (M-CH₂Ph)⁺ (4.5%), 211 (M-NHCH₂Ph)⁺ (9.9%).

4-Substitutedaminopyrimido[5,4-c]cinnolines (8c-e) and (9a-d).

A mixture of 2a-d (0.01 mol) and the appropriate amine (0.2 mol) was heated under reflux for 48 h. Toluene (75 ml) was added and the reflux was continued for another 15 min. The mixture was filtered, the filtrate was concentrated, cooled and the separated solid was collected, dried and crystallized from toluene (Table 2):

8c: IR (KBr) 3450-3100, 1660, 1620 cm⁻¹; EIMS *m/z* 280 (M+1)⁺ (4.2%), 265 (M-CH₃)⁺ (2%).

8d: IR (KBr) 3500-3100, 1660, 1610 cm⁻¹.

8e: IR (KBr) 3350, 1640, 1605 cm⁻¹; ¹H-NMR(CDCl₃-*d*₀) δ 9.77 (s, 1H, NH), 8.82 (m, 1H, ArH), 8.04 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.85 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.47(m, 2H, ArH), 7.20 (m, 1H, ArH), 3.13 (s, 3H, 2-CH₃), 2.85(s, 3H, 7-CH₃) ppm; EIMS *m/z* 302 (M+1)⁺ (33%), (M)⁺ (14.1%), 300(M-1)⁺ (45.3%), 286 (M-CH₃)⁺ (9.5%), 69 (100%).

EIMS (9a) *m/z* 264 (M-1)⁺ (28.2%), 194 (M-C₅H₁₀N)⁺ (1.4%).

9b: IR (KBr) 1590 cm⁻¹

9c: IR (KBr) 1590 cm⁻¹

9d: IR (KBr) 1580 cm⁻¹

4-Acetylhydrazinopyrimido[5,4-c]cinnolines (11a,b)

A mixture of 7c or 7d (0.02 mol) and acetic anhydride (0.2 mol) was refluxed for 4 h. The mixture was cooled, filtered and the solid was purified by crystallization (Table 2):

11a: IR (KBr) 3470, 3400, 1720-1700 cm⁻¹

11b: IR (KBr) 3500-3400, 1740-1715 cm⁻¹

¹H-NMR(DMSO-*d*₆) (11b) δ 8.62 (d, 1H, ArH), 7.99 (m, 2H, ArH), 3.02 (s, 3H, 2-CH₃), 2.65 (s, 3H, 7-CH₃), 2.51 (s, overlaps with DMSO-*d*₆ absorption, COCH₃) ppm.

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تم في هذا البحث تفاعل ٤-أمينوسينولين-٣-كربوكساميد (أ١،ب) مع ثلاثي إيثيل الأورثوفورمات و أنهيدريد حمض الخليك لتكوين مركبات البيريميدو (أ٢،ب)، و ٢-ميثيل بيريميدو [٥، ٤ ج] سينولين-٤-اوكسو (٢ج،د). و قد أمكن الحصول علي مركبات ٢ج، د أيضا بتفاعل الأمونيوم هيدروكسيد مع ٢-ميثيل-١، ٣-أوكسازينو [٥، ٤ ج] سينولين-٤-اوكسو(٤). كذلك تم تشييد مركبات ٢-أريل بيريميدو سينولين (٥) بتفاعل الأمينوسينولين كربوكساميد أ١،ب مع مختلف الارالديهيدات.

و قد أظهرت النتائج فاعلية مجموعة الكربونيل في الموقع ٤ في مركبات البيريميدوسينولين ٢ حيث تم تفاعلها مع الهيدرازين و أمينات مختلفة لتكون مشتقات ال-٤-هيدرازينو (مركبات ٧) و الالكيل/أريل أمينوبريميدوسينولين (٨ ، ٩). وقد تم تفسير هذه الفاعلية لقرب هذا الموقع لذرات النتروجين في حلقة السينولين. و يناقش البحث أيضا محاولات حلقة مشتقات ال-٤-هيدرازينو إلى مشتقات ترايازوليه.