



Synthesis and antimicrobial evaluation of some new quinazolin-4(3H)-one derivatives

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ABSTRACT

The oxazolone derivative **1** was synthesized and converted into a hitherto 3,1-benzoxazin-4-one derivative, **3**. A series of quinazolin-4-one derivatives **4a-c** and **7-11**, as well as quinolinone-3-carboxylic acid derivative, **6**, and the amide derivatives, **5a,b**, were also synthesized via the 3,1-benzoxazin-4-one derivative. The antimicrobial activity of some of the synthesized compounds was examined against three Gram-positive bacteria (*Staphylococcus aureus*, *Streptococcus mutans* and *Bacillus subtilis*), five Gram-negative bacteria (*Escherichia coli*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Proteus mirabilis* and *Acinetobacter baumannii*) and one fungi (*Candida albicans*), using diffusion method. The results showed that compounds **4a**, **7**, **10** and **11** exhibited significant antibacterial and antifungal activity comparable to standard drugs.

1. Introduction

The chemistry of heterocyclic compounds has been an interesting field of study for a long time [1-6]. The synthesis of novel quinazolin derivatives and investigation of their chemical and antimicrobial behavior has gained more importance in recent decades for biological, medicinal and agricultural reasons [5-9]. Quinazolinone nucleus has been gaining prominence due to the fact that its derivatives have been found to possess wide spectrum of pharmacological properties. Quinazolin-4(3H)-one derivatives are useful heterocycles, possessing potent pharmacological activities such as antibacterial, antifungal, analgesic, anti-inflammatory, anthelmintic, anticancer, anticonvulsant [10]. Quinazolin-4(3H)-ones having various heterocycles possesses wide range of pharmacological properties. Benzoxazine and quinazoline derivatives are important classes of heterocyclic compounds and are shown to have potent central nervous system (CNS) activities such as anticonvulsant and CNS depressant [11], antihistaminic activity [12], and other biological importance [13-15], so it is worthy to synthesis some newly qinazolin-4(3H)-one derivatives and tested their antimicrobial activities.

2. Experimental

2.1. Instrumentation

Melting points reported are uncorrected. IR spectra were recorded on Pye Unicam SP 1200 spectrophotometer using the KBr wafer technique. ¹H NMR spectra were determined on a Varian FT-200 and Bruker AC-200 MHz using TMS as internal standard. All chemical shifts (δ) are expressed in ppm. All NH or OH protons disappeared by deuterium exchange (addition of D₂O). Mass spectra were determined on MP model MS-5988

and Shimadzu single focusing mass spectrophotometer, (70 eV).

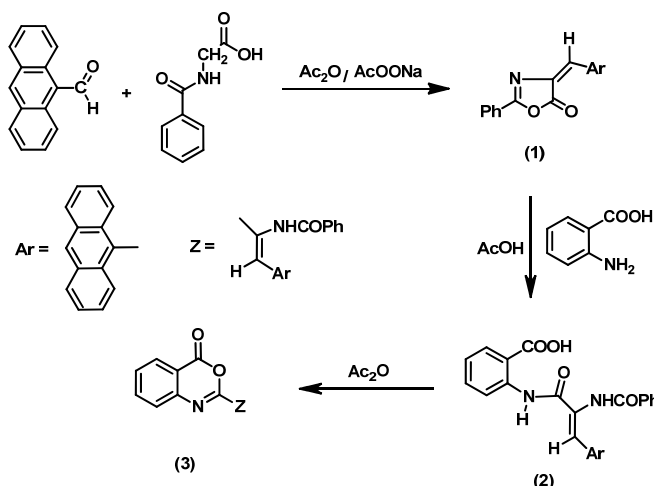
2.2. Synthesis

2.2.1. 4-(Anthracen-9-ylmethyene)-2-phenyloxazol-5(4H)-one (1)

A mixture of hippuric acid (1.79 g, 0.01 mol), anthracen-9-carbaldehyde (2.06 g, 0.01 mol) and freshly prepared fused sodium acetate (2.46 g, 0.03 mol) was wetted with (5 mL) freshly distilled acetic anhydride, and heated on hot plate for 10 min, the reaction proceeded by forming a mass reddish brown paste. The reaction mixture was poured onto warm water, the solid formed was collected by filtration, dried and recrystallized from 1,4-dioxane to give compound **1** as orange crystals (Scheme 1). M.p: 240-241 °C. Yield: 80%. IR (KBr, ν, cm⁻¹): 1792 (C=O), 1657 (C=N). ¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO-d₆, δ, ppm): 8.78 (s, 1H, C=CH), 8.30-7.49 (m, 14H, Ar-H). MS (m/z, (%)): 349 ([M⁺], 82), 321 (2), 216 (23), 189 (18), 105 (100). Anal. calcd. for C₂₄H₁₅NO₂: C, 82.52; H, 4.33; N, 4.01. Found: C, 82.47; H, 4.29; N, 3.98%.

2.2.2. 2-(3-(Anthracen-9-yl)-2-benzamidoacrylamido) benzoic acid (2)

A mixture of (**1**) (0.349 g, 0.001 mol) and anthranilic acid (0.137 g, 0.001 mol) in 30 mL glacial acetic acid was heated under reflux for 6 hours, the solvent was concentrated and diluted by water. The solid product separated was filtered off, dried and recrystallized from benzene to give compound **2** as yellow crystals (Scheme 1). M.p: 221-222 °C. Yield: 60%. IR (KBr, ν, cm⁻¹): 3320, 3244 (NH, OH), 1695, 1677 (C=O).



Scheme 1

^1H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , δ , ppm): 12.37 (s, 1H, COOH), 9.16 (s, 2H, NH), 8.29 (s, 1H, C=CH), 8.31-7.22 (m, 18H, Ar-H). MS (m/z , (%)): 486 ($[\text{M}^+$], 4), 468 (10), 363 (10), 322 (3), 146 (5), 319 (9), 229 (100) 105 (44). Anal. calcd. for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$: C, 76.53; H, 4.56; N, 5.76. Found: C, 76.35; H, 4.54; N, 5.73%.

2.2.3. 2-[1-Benzoylamino-2-(anthracene-9-yl)-1-vinyl]benzo[d][1,3]oxazin-4-one (3)

A mixture of (2) (0.486 g, 0.001 mol) and 25 mL freshly distilled acetic anhydride was heated for 2 hours, the excess acetic anhydride was evaporated under reduced pressure and the solid formed was recrystallized by a mixture of benzene/ethanol to give compound 3 as yellow crystals (Scheme 1). M.p.: 241-242 °C. Yield: 50%. IR (KBr, ν , cm^{-1}): 3291(NH) 1738, 1677 (C=O), 1610 (C=N). ^1H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , δ , ppm): 9.92 (s, 1H, NH), 8.67 (s, 1H, C=CH), 8.32-7.32 (m, 18H, Ar-H). MS (m/z , (%)): 468 (4), 348 (44), 347 (100), 319 (9). Anal. calcd. for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$: C, 79.49; H, 4.30; N, 5.78. Found: C, 79.29; H, 4.28; N, 5.68%.

2.2.4. 3-Substituted quinazoline derivatives (4a-c)

A mixture of 3 (0.468 g, 0.001 mol) and primary amine (0.001 mol) (Benzylamine, 4-chloroaniline and 4-methoxy aniline) in 20 mL ethanol was heated under reflux for 4 hours the solid which precipitated upon cooling was filtered and recrystallized from suitable solvent to give 4a-c (Scheme 2).

2-[1-Benzoylamino-2-(anthracene-9-yl)-1-vinyl]-3-benzylquinazolin-4-one (4a): Yellow crystals, recrystallized from 1,4-dioxane. M.p.: 211-212 °C. Yield: 50%. IR (KBr, ν , cm^{-1}): 3275 (NH), 1678 (C=O), 1625 (C=N). ^1H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , δ , ppm): 9.32 (s, 1H, NH), 8.21 (s, 1H, C=CH), 8.23-7.11 (m, 23H, Ar-H), 5.42 (s, 2H, benzylic-H). Anal. calcd. for $\text{C}_{38}\text{H}_{27}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2$: C, 81.85; H, 4.88; N, 7.54. Found: C, 81.91; H, 4.87; N, 7.53%.

2-[1-Benzoylamino-2-(anthracene-9-yl)-1-vinyl]-3-(4-chlorophenyl)quinazolin-4-one (4b): Brown crystals, recrystallized from a mixture of ethanol and 1,4-dioxane. M.p.: 232-233 °C. Yield: 45%. IR (KBr, ν , cm^{-1}): 3247 (NH), 1676 (C=O), 1631 (C=N). Anal. calcd. for $\text{C}_{37}\text{H}_{24}\text{ClN}_3\text{O}_2$: C, 77.28; H, 4.21; N, 7.31. Found: C, 77.19; H, 4.19; N, 7.29%.

2-[1-Benzoylamino-2-(anthracene-9-yl)-1-vinyl]-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)quinazolin-4-one (4c): Pale yellow crystals, recrystallized from a mixture of ethanol and 1,4-dioxane. M.p.: 222-223 °C. Yield: 50%. IR (KBr, ν , cm^{-1}): 3210 (NH), 1677 (C=O), 1620 (C=N). MS (m/z , (%)): 573 (40), 466 (41), 453

(50), 145 (100). Anal. calcd. for $\text{C}_{38}\text{H}_{27}\text{N}_3\text{O}_3$: C, 79.56; H, 4.74; N, 7.33. Found: C, 79.49; H, 4.68; N, 7.31%.

2.2.5. N-Substituted benzamide derivatives (5a,b)

A mixture of 3 (0.468 g, 0.001 mol) and secondary amine (0.001 mol) (*viz* piperidine and morpholine) in 20 mL ethanol was heated under reflux for 4 hours the solid which separated upon cooling was filtered and recrystallized from suitable solvent to give compound 5a,b (Scheme 2).

N-(3-(Anthracen-9-yl)-1-oxo-1(2-(piperidine-1-carbonyl)phenylamino)prop-2-en-2-yl)benzamide (5a): Brown crystals, recrystallized 1,4-dioxane. M.p.: 260-261 °C. Yield: 40%. IR (KBr, ν , cm^{-1}): 3210 (NH), 1677 (C=O), 1620 (C=N). MS (m/z , (%)): 553 (43), 468 (14), 363 (50), 347 (100). Anal. calcd. for $\text{C}_{36}\text{H}_{31}\text{N}_3\text{O}_3$: C, 78.10; H, 5.64; N, 7.60. Found: C, 78.08; H, 5.60; N, 7.58%.

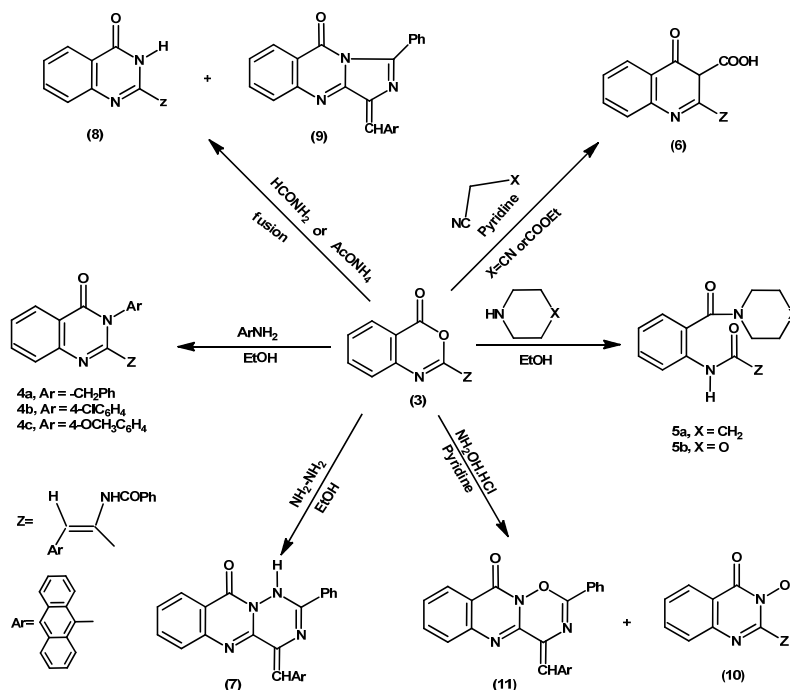
N-(3-(Anthracen-9-yl)-1-(2-(morpholine-4-carbonyl)phenylamino)-1-oxoprop-2-en-2-yl)benzamide (5b): Pale yellow crystals recrystallized from 1,4-dioxane. M.p.: 232-233 °C. Yield: 45%. IR (KBr, ν , cm^{-1}): 3210 (NH), 1677 (C=O), 1620 (C=N). Anal. calcd. for $\text{C}_{35}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}_3\text{O}_4$: C, 75.63; H, 5.26; N, 7.56. Found: C, 75.59; H, 5.18; N, 7.51%.

2.2.6. 2-(2-(Anthracen-9-yl)-1-benzamidovinyl)-4-oxo-3,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (6)

A mixture of compound 3 (0.468 g, 0.001 mol) and active methylene compounds (0.001 mol) (Malononitrile and ethyl cyanoacetate) in 20 mL dry pyridine was heated under reflux for 4 hours the solid which separated upon cooling was filtered and recrystallized from a mixture of ethanol and 1,4-dioxane to give compound 6 as pale brown crystals (Scheme 2). M.p.: 218-219 °C. Yield: 55%. IR (KBr, ν , cm^{-1}): 3380, 3145 (NH, OH), 1699, 1670 (C=O). ^1H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , δ , ppm): 12.48 (s, 1H, COOH), 8.83 (s, H, NH), 8.60 (s, 1H, C=CH), 8.24-7.22 (m, 18H, Ar-H), 5.40 (s, 1H, CH). Anal. calcd. for $\text{C}_{33}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$: C, 77.64; H, 4.34; N, 5.49. Found: C, 77.62; H, 4.29; N, 5.43%.

2.2.7. 4-(Anthracen-9-ylmethylene)-2-phenyl-1H-[1,2,4]triazino[6,1-b]quinazolin-10(4H)-one (7)

A mixture of compound 3 (0.468 g, 0.001 mol) and hydrazine hydrate (0.05 mL, 0.001 mol) was heated under reflux for an hour the solid which separated upon cooling was filtered and recrystallized from ethanol/dioxane to give compound 7 as brown crystals. M.p.: 244-246 °C. Yield: 65%.



Scheme 2

IR (KBr, ν , cm^{-1}): 3145 (NH), 1690 (C=O). ^1H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , δ , ppm): 8.83 (s, 1H, NH), 8.60 (s, 1H, C=CH), 8.24-7.22 (m, 18H, Ar-H). Anal. calcd. for C₃₃H₂₀N₄O: C, 80.51; H, 4.34; N, 12.06. Found: C, 79.98; H, 4.30; N, 11.98%.

2.2.8. 2-[1-Benzoylamino-2-(anthracene-9-yl)-1-vinyl]quinazoline-4-one (8) and 3-(anthracen-9-ylmethylene)-1-phenylimidazo[5,1-b]quinazolin-9(3H)-one (9)

A mixture of compound 3 (0.468 g, 0.001 mol), ammonium acetate (0.077 g, 0.001 mol) and 10 mL formamid was fused at 240-250 °C for an hour, then washed with hot water and the crude product was separated by fractional crystallization to give compound 8 and 9 (Scheme 2).

2-[1-Benzoylamino-2-(anthracene-9-yl)-1-vinyl]quinazoline-4-one (8): Brown crystals, recrystallized from benzene. M.p.: 231-232 °C. Yield: 40%. IR (KBr, ν , cm^{-1}): 3145, 3380 (NH, OH), 1699, 1670 (C=O). MS (m/z , (%)): 468 (39), 440 (6), 424 (50), 378 (50), 105 (34), 75 (100). Anal. calcd. for C₃₁H₂₁N₃O₂: C, 79.64; H, 4.53; N, 8.99. Found: C, 79.61; H, 4.49; N, 8.91%.

3-(Anthracen-9-ylmethylene)-1-phenylimidazo[5,1-b]quinazolin-9(3H)-one (9): Yellow crystals, recrystallized from a mixture of ethanol and 1,4-dioxane. M.p.: 211-212 °C. Yield: 40%. IR (KBr, ν , cm^{-1}): 1680 (C=O), 1623 (C=N). ^1H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , δ , ppm): 8.60 (s, 1H, C=CH), 8.24-7.22 (m, 18H, Ar-H). Anal. calcd. for C₃₁H₁₉N₃O: C, 82.83; H, 4.26; N, 9.35. Found: C, 82.75; H, 4.21; N, 9.28%.

2.2.9. 2-[1-Benzoylamino-2-(anthracene-9-yl)-1-vinyl]-3-hydroxyquinazoline-4-one (10) and 4-(anthracen-9-ylmethylene)-2-phenyl-[1,2,5]oxadiazino[3,2-b]quinazolin-10-(4H)-one (11)

A mixture of compound 3 (0.468 g, 0.001 mol) and hydroxyl amine hydrochloride (0.067 g, 0.001 mol) in 10 mL pyridine was heated under reflux for 8 hours, the reaction mixture was poured on ice cold hydrochloric acid, the solid which separated was filtered, dried and separated by fractional crystallization (Scheme 2).

2-[1-Benzoylamino-2-(anthracene-9-yl)-1-vinyl]-3-hydroxyquinazoline-4-one (10): Yellow crystals, recrystallized from ethanol. M.p.: 214-215 °C. Yield: 45%. IR (KBr, ν , cm^{-1}): 3383 (OH), 1686 (C=O), 1622 (C=N). MS (m/z , (%)): 483 (20), 466 (7), 455 (8), 105 (20), 75 (100). Anal. calcd. for C₃₁H₂₁N₃O₃: C, 77.00; H, 4.38; N, 8.69. Found: C, 76.82; H, 4.29; N, 8.64%.

4-(Anthracen-9-ylmethylene)-2-phenyl-[1,2,5]oxadiazino[3,2-b]quinazolin-10-(4H)-one (11): Brown crystals, recrystallized from 1,4-dioxane. M.p.: 202-204 °C. Yield: 40%. IR (KBr, ν , cm^{-1}): 1677 (C=O), 1610 (C=N). ^1H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6 , δ , ppm): 8.32 (s, 1H, C=CH), 8.24-7.22 (m, 18H, Ar-H). Anal. calcd. for C₃₁H₁₉N₃O₂: C, 79.98; H, 4.11; N, 9.03. Found: C, 79.91; H, 4.09; N, 8.98%.

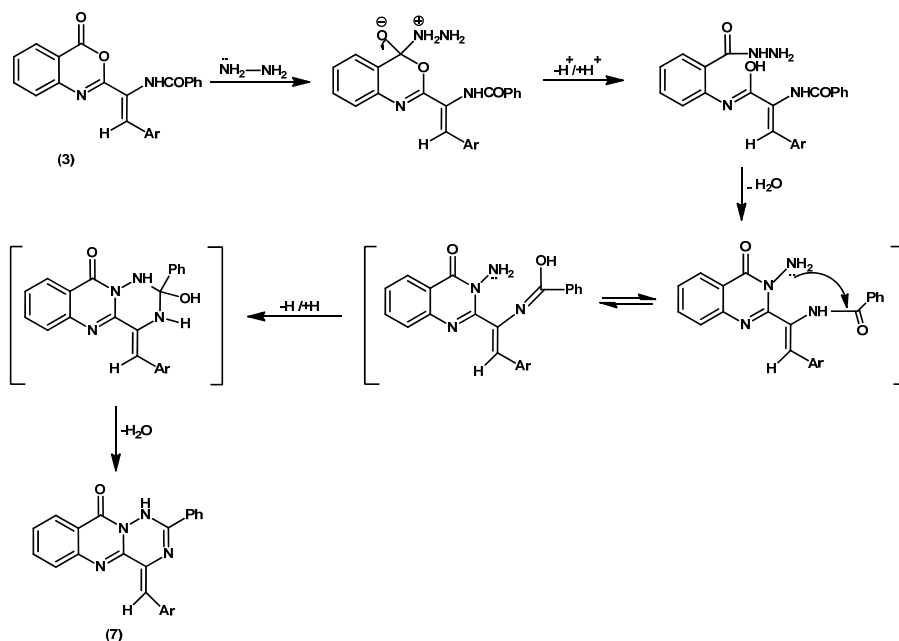
2.3. Antimicrobial assay

2.3.1. Test organism

Microorganisms were obtained from our culture collections of Department of Microbiology, Faculty of Science Ain Shams University. Five strains of Gram-negative bacteria (*Escherichia coli*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Proteus mirabilis* and *Acinetobacter baumannii*) and three strains of Gram-positive bacteria (*Staphylococcus aureus*, *Streptococcus mutans* and *Bacillus subtilis*), and one fungus strain *Candida albicans* were used. The cultures of bacteria were maintained in their appropriate agar slants at 4 °C throughout the study and used as stock cultures.

2.3.2. Materials

Mueller-Hinton agar and Mueller-Hinton broth medium were purchased from Difco Company, dimethylsulfoxide and Tween 80 were supplemented by Chemistry Department, Faculty of Science, Ain Shams University. Gentamycin antibiotic were purchased from Pfizer Company. Fluconazole antibiotic were purchased from Pfizer Company.



Scheme 3

2.3.3. Evaluation of antibacterial activity

The newly synthesized quinazolin derivatives were evaluated for their *in vitro* antimicrobial activity against five strains of Gram-negative bacteria, (*Escherichia coli*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Proteus mirabilis* and *Acinetobacter baumannii*) and three strains of Gram-positive bacteria, (*Staphylococcus aureus*, *Streptococcus mutans* and *Bacillus subtilis*), and one fungus strain *Candida albicans* were used.

Screening of synthesized compounds for antimicrobial activity was done by the diffusion method, which is normally used as a preliminary check and to select between efficient chemical compounds. Gentamycin was used as standard drug for bacteria, and Fluconazole as standard drug for fungi. Under aseptic conditions, it was performed using an 18 h culture at 37 °C in 10 mL of Mueller Hinton Broth. 20 Milliliters of Mueller-Hinton agar poured into sterile petri dishes and allowed for solidification. Wells was made in agar plates using sterile cork of 8 mm diameter. The cultures were adjusted to approximately 10⁶ CFU/mL with sterile saline solution. Five hundred microliters of the suspensions were spread over the plates containing Mueller-Hinton agar using a sterile cotton swab in order to get a uniform microbial growth on both control and test plates.

The different chemical compounds were dissolved in 10% aqueous dimethylsulfoxide (DMSO) with Tween 80 (0.5%, v:v for easy diffusion) and sterilized by filtration through a 0.22 µm membrane filter. 20 µL (0.02 mg/mL) of each solution of chemical compounds were added separately to the wells in the petri dishes. The plates were left for 120 min at 4 °C to allow the diffusion of compounds, and then they were incubated at 37 °C for 18 h (18 h was fixed as the optimum since there was no change in the inhibition up to 24 h) After the incubation period, the zone of inhibition was measured with a caliper, and compared with the reading of inhibition zone produced by using (20 µg/mL) of gentamycin, and fluconazole antibiotic solution as positive control. Studies were performed in twice, and mean value was calculated. The means were analyzed by the statistics methods.

3. Results and discussion

3.1. Chemistry

In the present work, new 4-(9'-anthracylmethylene)-2-phenyloxazol-5-one (**1**) has been synthesized via the reaction of hippuric acid with 9-anthraldehyde under Perkin-Erlenmeyer reaction conditions, and underwent ring opening by reaction with anthranilic acid as a fission of the 1,5-bond of oxazolin-5-one by the amino moiety to give 2-(3-(anthracen-10-yl)-2-benzamidoacrylamido)benzoic acid (**2**), which underwent ring closure by heating with acetic anhydride to give 2-[1-benzoylamino-2-(anthracene-10-yl)-1-vinyl]-4(*H*) benzo[d][1,3]oxazin-4-one (**3**) (Scheme 1).

Benzoxazinone derivative, **3**, was subjected to react with primary aromatic amines such as 4-chloroaniline, 4-methoxyaniline, and benzylamine, as nitrogen nucleophiles aiming to synthesis of some newly quinazolin-4(3*H*)-one derivatives, **4a-c**, which expected to have antimicrobial activity.

It is worth mentioning to study the reactivity of benzoxazinone, **3**, towards secondary amines, such as piperidine and morpholine as nitrogen nucleophiles. Ring opening of compound **3** with secondary amines gave the corresponding amid derivatives **5a,b**.

In continuation of our interest in synthesis and studying the reaction behavior of benzoxazinones and quinazolinones [16-20] we reported herein the behaviour of the benzoxazinone derivative, **3**, with some active methylene compounds as carbonyl nucleophile, so the benzoxazinone derivative, **3**, was reacted with ethyl cyanoacetate and/or malononitrile in pyridine to give 2-(2-(anthracen-9-yl)-1-benzamidovinyl)-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-quinoline-3-carboxylic acid, **6**, via ring opening and ring closure of the benzoxazinone derivative, **3**, followed by hydrolysis of the cyano or the ethylester group to the carboxylic group. The structure of compound **6** was confirmed from the ¹H NMR spectrum showing the δ value at 12.48 ppm for singlet, one proton, corresponding to the carboxylic hydrogen and disappeared by D₂O, hydrazinolysis of compound **3** in boiling ethanol afforded the triazinoquinazolinone derivative, **7**, according to the following mechanism (Scheme 3).

Table 1. Antimicrobial activity (as inhibition zone in mm diameter) of synthesized compounds *.

Microorganism	Antimicrobial activity / Sample no											Gentamycin	Fluconazole
	1	2	3	4a	5a	6	7	8	9	10	11		
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>	-	-	-	-	-	17	14	17	16	-	16	31	-
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	18	16	21	20	-	21	25	21	20	22	25	32	-
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32	-
<i>Proteus mirabilis</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	-	-	-	-	22	-
<i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i>	17	16	12	12	-	16	12	12	13	-	-	34	-
<i>Bacillus subtilis</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	17	26	-
<i>Streptococcus mutans</i>	-	-	13	12	-	13	13	16	-	25	-	35	-
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26	-
<i>Candida albicans</i>	15	-	-	18	-	17	14	17	16	17	15	-	27

* Standard antibacterial antibody is Gentamycin (20 µg/mL), standard antifungal antibody is Fluconazole (20 µg/mL). All pathogenic microorganisms are isolated and identified by the staff members of Microbiology Department, Faculty of Science, Ain Shams University.

The structure of compound **7** was substantiated from studying its IR spectrum which lacks νNH₂ bands, and ¹H NMR spectrum which showed the signal characteristic of one NH proton. On the other hand, fusion of compound **3** with ammonium acetate and/or formamid gave a mixture of quinazoline derivative, **8**, and imidazo[5,1-*b*]quinazolin-9(3*H*)-one, **9**. The mixture was separated by fractional crystallization (see experimental part).

Ring opening of compound **3** with hydroxylamine hydrochloride in the presence of pyridine as a base gave a mixture of quinoxaline derivative, **10**, and [1,2,5]oxadiazino [3,2-*b*]quinazolin-10(4*H*)-one, **11** (Scheme 2).

The structures of the synthesized compounds were assigned from studying their spectral data, such as IR, ¹H NMR, Mass spectra, as well as elemental analysis [1,2,8].

3.2. Antimicrobial assay

Antibiotic resistance is a growing problem, some of this is due to the overuse of antibiotics in human, but some of it is probably due to the use of antibiotics as growth promoters in food of animals. So, there is a growing demand for new antibiotics.

The synthesized new quinazolin derivatives were evaluated for their *in vitro* antimicrobial activity against five strains of Gram-negative bacteria (*Escherichia coli*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Proteus mirabilis* and *Acinetobacter baumannii*) and three strains of Gram-positive bacteria (*Staphylococcus aureus*, *Streptococcus mutans* and *Bacillus subtilis*), and one fungus strain *Candida albicans* were used.

Based on the results of zone of inhibition, data in Table 1 revealed that 20 µg/mL was the most potent quinazolin derivative against bacterial strains, in addition, it was as potent as gentamycin antibiotic compounds 20 µg/mL were effective in inhibiting the growth of the tested bacterial strains. Compounds **3**, **4a**, **6-11**, exhibited different antibacterial and antifungal capabilities against *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Acinetobacter baumannii*, *Streptococcus mutans* and *Candida albicans*. However *Escherichia coli* and *Staphylococcus aureus* showed a complete resistant against the tested 11 novel quinazolin derivatives. The anti-bacterial activity of compounds **4a** and **6-11** were greater than the rest compounds on *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Acinetobacter baumannii*, *Streptococcus mutans* and *Candida albicans*. In regard with the inhibitory effect of gentamycin and fluconazole antibiotics, the tested quinazolin derivatives showed high inhibitory activity as noticed by compounds **7**, **10** and **11** while the rest compounds **1**, **2**, **3**, **4a**, **6**, **8** and **9** had mild activity. All the tested quinazolin derivatives exhibited no effect against *Escherichia coli* and *Staphylococcus aureus* and only very weak effect against *Bacillus subtilis* and *Proteus mirabilis*. The remaining compounds possessed moderate activities against both fungi as compared to standard.

4. Conclusion

The new compounds were successfully synthesized using well known methods. Most compounds were found to be very active towards Gram-positive bacteria, few other compounds showed higher activity towards Gram-negative bacteria whereas some compound exhibited very good activity against fungi among the series. These findings give some idea about further research on this molecule with hope to get biologically active molecule.

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