SIGNIFICANT PHARMACOLOGICAL / BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITIES OF NOVEL QUINAZOLINE DERIVATIVES IN MEDICINAL CHEMISTRY

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ABSTRACT

This review paper highlights biological and pharmacological utility of some quinazoline derivatives. Quinazolinones are large classes of bioactive chemical compounds exhibiting broad spectrum biological activities in animals as well as in humans. Literature studies on quinazolinones have shown that these derivatives possess a wide variety of pharmacological activities such as anti HIV, Anticancer, Antifungal, Antibacterial, Anti-mutagenic, Anti-coccidial, anticonvulsant, anti-inflammatory, CNS depressant, Anti-malarial, Antioxidant, Anti-leukemic activity, anti-leishmanial activity.

KEYWORD: Quinazoline, Quinazolinones, Bioactive.

INTRODUCTION

Quinazoline is an organic heterocyclic compound having molecular formula C₆H₆N₂. Quinazoline is a yellow colour solid which is crystalline in nature and also has solubility in water. Quinazoline is made from fusion of benzene and pyrimidine ring. The presence of fused benzene ring affects the properties of pyrimidine ring. The presences of two nitrogen atoms in quinazoline are not equivalent. Scientists got attracted by quinazoline alkaloids since 1888 with the discovery of peganine. Now is being used for its bronchodilator activity. Preparation of quinazoline was first done by Gabriel in 1903 and isolation was done from aseru plant. Proposal of name was done by Widdege. Quinazoline is found to have biological activities, such as anticancer, antidiabetic, antiulcer, anticonvulsant, antihypertensive, anti-inflammatory, antibacterial, and antifungal and antimalarial.[1-4]
Quinazolinone will be classified into the following five categories, based on the substitution patterns of the ring system.[5]

1. 2-Substituted-4(3H)-quinazolinones
2. 3-Substituted-4(3H)-quinazolinones
3. 4-Substituted-quinazolines
4. 2, 3-Disubstituted-4(3H)-quinazolinones
5. 2, 4-Disubstituted-4(3H)-quinazolinones

Depending upon the position of the keto or oxo group, these compounds may be classified into three types

Out of the three quinazolinone structures, 4(3H)-quinazolinones are most prevalent, either as intermediates or as natural products in many proposed biosynthetic pathways. This is partly due to the structure being derived from the anthranilates (anthranilic acid or various esters, Isatoic anhydride, anthranilamide and anthranilo nitrile) while the 2(1H)-quinazolinone is predominantly a product of anthranilo nitrile or benzamides with nitriles.[6]

Pharmacological Application of Quinazoline Derivatives

The quinazolinone skeleton is a frequently encountered heterocycles in medicinal chemistry literature with applications including antibacterial, analgesic, anti-inflammatory, antifungal, antimalarial, CNS, CNS depressant, anticonvulsant, anticoccidial, anti-parkinsonism, and cancer activities. Little number of quinazolinones was reported as potent chemotherapeutic agents in the treatment of tuberculosis. Compounds of both synthetic and natural origin comprising a diverse group of chemical structure have been reported as anti-leishmial agents. These include mostly nitrogen heterocyclic such as quinolines, purine, pyrimidine, acidine, phenothiazines, bisbenzamides, pyrazolol, pyridine, benzothiazole, and imidazolines.
Pharmacological Activities of Quinazolines

Quinazolinones as anticonvulsant activity

Al-Salem et al. designed and synthesized new series of hydrazine carbothioamide, benzene sulfonohydrazide, and phenacyl acetohydrazide analogs of 4(3H)-quinazolinone analogues and were evaluated for their anticonvulsant activity using pentylenetetrazol (PTZ) and picrotoxin convulsive models.\(^7\)

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Quinazolinones as CNS depressant activity

Jatav et al. (2008) synthesized a series of novel 3-[5-substituted phenyl-1, 3, 4 thia dia -zole-2-yl]-2-styryl quinazoline-4(3H)-one and screened for CNS depressant activities with the help of the forced swim pool method and found that compound were most active against CNS depressant activity.\(^\text{[10]}\)

![Chemical Structure](image1)

3-(5-phenyl-1, 3, 4-thia diazol-2-yl)-2-styrylquinazoline-4(3H)-one

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![Chemical Structure](image2)

1-(4-substitutedphenyl)-3-(4oxo-2-phenyl/ethyl-4H-quinazolin-3-yl)-urea

Quinazolinones as Antidiabetic activity

Wei et al. designed eight quinazolinone derivatives. They tested their inhibitory activities on alpha glucosidase in vitro.\(^\text{[12]}\)

![Chemical Structure](image3)
Quinazolinones as antimalarial activity

Werbel et al. (1987) synthesized a variety of analogues of 2, 4-diamino-6[(aryl thio] quinazolines with known antimalarial properties wherein the 4-amino group was replaced by hydrazine and hydroxyamino moieties and they found that such changes reduce markedly the antimalarial properties of this series.\[^{13}\]

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\text{NH}_2 \\
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2, 4-diamino-6[(aryl thio] quinazolines

Quinazolinones as Analgesic activity

Hemlatha et al. (2011) synthesized a series of some novel 2,3-disubstituted quinazolinone derivatives by condensing 6, 8-dibromo-2-phenyl benzoxazine with Compounds containing amino group were confirmed by IR, 1H-NMR, 13C-NMR and Mass spectral data and evaluated for their analgesic activity and they reported that compound show promising analgesic activity compared to standard drug Diclofenacsodium.\[^{14}\]

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\text{C}_6\text{H}_5 \\
\text{NH}_2 \\
\text{O} \\
\text{O} \\
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6, 8-dibromo-2-phenyl benzoxazine

Quinazolinones as Antibacterial activity

Kohli et al. (2009) synthesized quinazolinone derivatives by treating 2-ChloroN-(4-oxo-2-phenylquinazolin-3(4H) - yl) acetamide with the different substituted phenols in presence of anhydrous potassium carbonate & catalytic amount of potassium iodide in dry acetone. The compound showed more potent antibacterial activity than the standard drug ampicillin.\[^{15}\]
Quinazolinones as Anti-cancer activity

Gawad et al. (2010) synthesized some new 3-substituted quinazolin4(3H)-ones and 3, 4-dihydro-quinazolin-2(1H)-one derivatives and reported that compounds 2-[2-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-oxo-ethylthio]-3(4-methoxyphenyl) quinazolin-4(3H) one, and 3-(4chlorophenyl)-2-[2-(4- methoxyphenyl)-2-oxo-ethylthio] quinazolin 4(3H)-one as broad-spectrum antitumors showing effectiveness toward numerous cell lines that belong to different tumor subpanels.[16]

![Quinazolinones as Anti-cancer activity](image)

2-[2-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-oxo-ethylthio]-3(4-methoxyphenyl) quinazolin-4(3H) one

Quinazolinones as Anti-HIV activity

Pandeya et al. (1999) synthesized 3-amino-2-methyl mercaptoquinazolin-4(3H)-one from anthranilic acid. The N-Mannich bases of the above Schiff bases were synthesized by condensing the acidic imino group of isatin with formaldehyde and 2º amines and evaluated for anti-HIV activity against HIV-1 III B. in MT-4 cells.[17]

![Quinazolinones as Anti-HIV activity](image)

Quinazolinones as Anti-fungal activity

Ghorab et al.(2000) synthesized key intermediate octahydro quinazoline obtained in one pot synthesis by a modification of the Biginelli reaction with phenacyl bromide and bromo Malone nitrile to furnish thiazolo[2, 3-b] quinazoline and they found the interaction of compound with formamide, formic acid and phenyl isothiocyanate yielded the corresponding pyrimidinothiazolo[2, 3-b] quinazolines and evaluated for their antifungal activity against Candida albicans.Quinazolinones as antifungal activity.[18]
Quinazolinones as Cytotoxic activity

Krishnan et al. synthesized series of 3-(benzylideneamino)-2-phenyl quinazoline-4(3H)-ones was synthesized by reaction of 3-amino-2-phenyl-3H-quiazoline-4-one with various carbonyl compounds and investigated cytotoxic activity.\[^{19}\]

![Quinazolinones as Cytotoxic activity](image)

3-(benzylideneamino)-2-phenyl quinazoline-4(3H)-ones

Quinazolinones as Anti-ulcer activity

Patil et al. synthesized 2-[5-substituted-10H-benzo(d)imidazol-2-yl sulfiny]methyl-3-substituted quinazoline-4(3H)-ones and evaluated for antiulcer activity. The Compounds was found to be most potent having 95 and 97% activity with reference to omeprazole having 100% activity.\[^{20}\]

![Quinazolinones as Anti-ulcer activity](image)

2-[5-substituted-10H-benzo(d)imidazol-2-ylsulfinyl]methyl-3-substitutedquinazoline-4(3H)-ones.

Quinazolinones as Anti-mutagenic activity

Cakici et al. (2010) synthesized (S)-4-aminoquinazoline alcohols a simple synthetic method for the preparation of enantiomerically pure from (S)-quinazolinone alcohols by key steps including chlorination, nucleophilic ipso substitution, and deacetylation is presented. Mutagenic and antimutagenic properties of the (S)-4-aminoquinazoline alcohols were
investigated by using Salmonella typhimurium TA1535, and Escherichia coli WP2uvrA
tester strains at 0.01, 0.1, and 1 lg/plate concentrations Among the tested (S)-4-
aminoquinazoline alcohols, the best antimutagenic activity was obtained with a methyl
derivative at 0.1 µg/plate dose.\textsuperscript{[21]}

![Quinazolinones as Anti-coccidial activity](image)

**Quinazolinones as Anti-coccidial activity**

**Changwen et al.** (2010) synthesized a series of 3-(2-(2methoxyphenyl)-2-oxoethyl)
quinazolinone derivatives as anti-coccidial agents by modifying the quinazoline ring of
febrifugin against Eimeriatenella in the chicken at a dose of 9 mg/kg. 3-(2-(2methoxyphenyl)
2-oxoethyl) quinazolinone derivetives (Fig.9) possesses high anticoccidial activity and may
serve as a lead compound for the development of anticoccidial drugs in the future.\textsuperscript{[22]}

![Quinazolinones as Anti-leukemic activity](image)

**Quinazolinones as Anti-leukemic activity**

**Raffa et al.** (2004) synthesized 3-(3-Methylisoxazol-5-yl) and 3(pyrimidin-2-yl)-2
styrlyquinazolin-4(3H)-ones by refluxing in acetic acid the corresponding 2-
methylquinazolinones with the benzoic aldehyde for 12 h and tested for their in vitro anti-
leukemic activity against L-1210 (murine leukemia), K-562 (human chronic myelogenous
leukemia) and HL-60 (human leukemia) cell lines showing in some cases good activity.\textsuperscript{[23]}
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