

# Synthesis and Antimicrobial Evaluation of Polyfunctionally Heterocyclic Compounds Bearing Quinoline Moiety

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## Abstract

2-Aminoquinoline-3-carbonitrile **2** was reacted with ethylcyanoacetate to give **3**. The latter was used to synthesize different heterocyclic derivatives comprising pyridine, coumarin, pyrimidine, thiophene, and thiazole rings. The synthetic methods depended on regioselective attack and/or cyclization by the cyanoacetamido moiety as a key compound on various chemical reagents. The competition of the reaction pathways including dipolar cyclization, dinucleophilic-bielectrophilic attack, and  $\beta$ -attack that leads to the diversity of the synthesized products. All these newly synthesized compounds were characterized by elemental analysis and spectral data, and screened for their antimicrobial activity.

**Keywords:** 2-aminoquinoline-3-carbonitrile; Pyridine; Coumarin; Pyrimidine; Thiophene; Thiazole; Antimicrobial activity

## Introduction

Quinoline nucleus is often used for the design of many synthetic compounds with diverse pharmacological properties [1]. Quinoline and its derivatives are receiving important due to their wide range of biological activities as antitumor [2], antibacterial [3], anticonvulsant [4], analgesic [5], antiallergic [6], antiamebic [7]. In addition it also exhibit good antimalarial [8], antihistaminic [9], antitubercular [10], and antineurodegenerative activity [11]. In our work, the ring annulation of quinoline to amino that was converted into cyanoactamide moiety and the latter was used to synthesize different heterocyclic derivatives comprising thiophene, thiazole, pyridine, pyrimidine, and coumarin rings that exhibit some interesting pharmacological activities [12]. Further, the mechanistic and synthetic pathways depended on cyclization by the cyanoactamide moiety as the key precursor on various chemical reagents. The simplicity of the synthetic procedures mainly involved reactions under mild conditions, and convenience of yield production. The newly synthesized compounds were evaluated for their antimicrobial activity.

## Experimental

### General

Melting points were measured in capillary tube on a Graffin melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. The IR spectra were recorded on Pye Unicam SP 1000 IR spectrophotometer using KBr discs ( $\lambda$  max in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra were performed on Gemini 300BB (300 MHz), and 300 MHz for  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrometer, using TMS as internal standard and DMSO- $d_6$  as solvent; the chemical shifts are reported in ppm ( $\delta$ ) and coupling constant (J) values are given in Hertz (Hz). Signal multiplicities are represented by s (singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q (quadruplet), and m (multiplet). All of the new compounds were analyzed for C, H and N and agreed with the proposed structures within  $\pm 0.4\%$  of the theoretical values by the automated CHN analyzer. Mass spectra were recorded on Hewlett Packard 5988 spectrometer at the RCMB. The purity of the compounds was checked by thin layer chromatography (TLC) on Merck silica gel 60 F 254 precoated sheets. All analyses were performed at the Micro-analytical Unit of Cairo University, Cairo, Egypt.

### Chemistry

**2-Aminoquinoline-3-carbonitrile (2):** To the well stirred solution of 2-chloroquinoline-3-carbonitrile [13-16] (**1**) (1.88 g, 0.002 mmol) and

tetrabutylammonium bromide (0.202 g, 0.0005 mmol), chlorobenzene (15 mL) and sodium azide (0.39 g, 0.006 mol) in water (5 mL) were added and the reaction mixture was stirred under reflux for 1.5 hrs., at completion of time powdered sodium borohydride (0.302 g, 0.008 mmol) was added to the reaction mixture portion wise cautiously over a period of 30 mint. The same reaction mixture was then refluxed for 2-3 hrs. On completion (TLC) the aqueous phase was separated and extracted with chlorobenzene, and combined organic layer was washed with water and drying using anhydrous sodium sulphate. The solvent was recovered under vacuum, the content was treated with n-hexane and the solid thus formed was filtered, washed with cold methanol, dried and crystalized from methanol: chloroform (7:3 V/V). Our procedure differs from the reported [17-19] one but it modifies the other one [20] to get the compound **2** according to the preferred procedure [21].

Yield 75%, M.p. 228-230°C. IR (KBr,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3350, 3296, 2972, 2865, 2215.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz, [D<sub>6</sub>] DMSO):  $\delta$  = 6.54(s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.19-7.23 (t, 1H, C6-H quinoline), 7.42-7.46 (t, 1H, C7-H quinoline), 7.59-6.62 (d, 1H, C5-H quinoline), 7.76-7.80 (d, 1H, C8-H quinoline), 8.36 (s, 1H, C4-H quinoline).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (300 MHz, [D<sub>6</sub>] DMSO):  $\delta$  = 84.6 (C-3), 117.7 (CN), 119.4, 122.3, 125.1, 127.2, 132.7 (Ar-C), 153.9 (C-8), 156.8 (C-4), 164.1 (C-2). MS (m/z): 169.18 (23, M<sup>+</sup>). Analytically calculated for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>7</sub>N<sub>3</sub>: C, 70.99; H, 4.17; N, 24.84. Found. C, 71.10; H, 4.44; N, 24.91.

**2-Cyano-N-(3-cyanoquinolin-2-yl) acetamide (3):** To a solution of 2-aminoquinoline-3-carbonitrile (**2**) (1.69 g, 0.01 mmol) in dimethylformamide (30 mL), ethyl cyanoacetate (1.13 g, 0.01 mmol) was added. The reaction mixture was heated under reflux for 5 h. The solid product formed upon pouring onto ice/water mixture was collected by filtration and crystallized from 1, 4-dioxane.

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Yield 71%, M.p. 129-130°C. IR (KBr,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3332, 3020, 2837, 2265, 2195 (2CN), 1655.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz, [D6] DMSO):  $\delta$  = 4.28 (s, 2H,  $\text{CH}_2$ ), 6.83 (s, 1H, NH), 7.19-7.23 (t, 1H, C6-H quinoline), 7.55-7.58 (t, 1H, C7-H quinoline), 7.62-7.65 (d, 1H, C5-H quinoline), 7.73-7.77 (d, 1H, C8-H quinoline), 8.27 (s, 1H, C4-H quinoline). MS (m/z): 236.23 (12.15, M+). Analytically calculated for  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_8\text{N}_4\text{O}$ : C, 66.10; H, 3.41; N, 23.72. Found. C, 65.89; H, 3.57; N, 23.66.

**Synthesis of 3-cyanoquinolin-2-yl functionalized 2-pyridone derivatives (4a-d):** To a solution of 3 (2.36 g, 0.01 mmol) in 1,4-dioxane (25 mL) and dimethylformamide (5 mL) containing triethylamine (1.00 mL), either malononitrile (0.66 g, 0.01 mmol) or ethyl cyanoacetate (1.13 g, 0.01 mmol), acetyl acetone (1.00 g, 0.01 mmol) or ethyl acetoacetate (1.33 g, 0.01 mmol) was added. The reaction mixture, in each case, was heated under reflux for 5 h, then cooled and neutralized by pouring onto ice/water mixture containing few drops of hydrochloric acid. The solid products formed, in each case, was filtered off and crystallized from 1, 4-dioxane/dimethylformamide mixture (3:2).

**2-(4,6-Diamino-3-cyano-2-oxopyridin-1(2H)-yl) quinoline-3-carbonitrile (4a):** Yield 77%, M.p. 198-199°C. IR (KBr,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3335, 3270 (2NH<sub>2</sub>), 3075, 2832, 2242, 2198(2CN), 1625.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz, [D6] DMSO- D<sub>2</sub>O):  $\delta$ =2.95, 2.99 (2s, 4H-2NH<sub>2</sub>, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 7.69 (s, 1H, C5-H pyridine), 7.22-7.26 (t, 1H, C6-H quinoline), 7.52-7.55 (t, 1H, C7-H quinoline), 7.60-7.63 (d, 1H, C5-H quinoline), 7.78-7.83 (d, 1H, C8-H quinoline), 8.45 (s, 1H, C4-H quinoline). MS (m/z): 302.29 (9.18, M+). Analytically calculated for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{10}\text{N}_6\text{O}$ : C, 63.57; H, 3.33; N, 27.80. Found. C, 63.31; H, 3.56; N, 27.90.

**2-(4-Amino-3-cyano-6-hydroxy-2-oxopyridin-1(2H)-yl) quinoline-3-carbonitrile (4b):** Yield 63%, M.p. 235-237°C. IR (KBr,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3479 (OH), 3337 (NH<sub>2</sub>), 3099, 2840, 2229, 2195(2CN), 1658.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz, [D6] DMSO- D<sub>2</sub>O):  $\delta$ =4.24 (s, 2H-NH<sub>2</sub>, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 6.45 (s, 1H, C5-H pyridine), 7.29-7.32 (t, 1H, C6-H quinoline), 7.57-7.60 (t, 1H, C7-H quinoline), 7.64-7.66 (d, 1H, C5H quinoline), 7.80-7.84 (d, 1H, C8-H quinoline), 8.66 (s, 1H, C4-H quinoline), 11.73(s, 1H, OH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable). MS (m/z): 303.27 (16.5, M+). Analytically calculated for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_9\text{N}_5\text{O}_2$ : C, 63.37; H, 2.99; N, 23.09. Found. C, 63.65; H, 3.04; N, 22.87.

**2-(3-Cyano-4, 6-dimethyl-2-oxopyridin-1(2H)-yl) quinoline-3-carbonitrile (4c):** Yield 70%, M.p. 158-160°C. IR (KBr,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3102, 2842, 2242, 2198(2CN), 1625.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz, [D6] DMSO):  $\delta$  = 2.21, 2.34 (2s, 6H, 2CH<sub>3</sub>), 6.55 (s, 1H, C5-H pyridine), 7.17-7.20 (t, 1H, C6-H quinoline), 7.41-7.44 (t, 1H, C7- H quinoline), 7.69-7.72 (d, 1H, C5-H quinoline), 7.80-7.82 (d, 1H, C8-H quinoline), 8.33 (s, 1H, C4-H quinoline). MS (m/z): 300.31 (4.11, M+). Analytically calculated for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_4\text{O}$ : C, 71.99; H, 4.03; N, 18.66. Found. C, 71.95; H, 4.24; N, 18.77.

**2-(3-Cyano-6-hydroxy-4-methyl-2-oxopyridin-1(2H)-yl) quinoline-3-carbonitrile (4d):** Yield 60%, M.p. 213-214°C. IR (KBr,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3482 (OH), 3104, 2822, 2212, 2188(2CN), 1633.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz, [D6] DMSO- D<sub>2</sub>O):  $\delta$  = 2.43 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 6.83 (s, 1H, C5-H pyridine), 7.29-7.32 (t, 1H, C6-H quinoline), 7.50-7.53(t, 1H, C7-H quinoline), 7.64-7.67 (d, 1H, C5-H quinoline), 7.76-7.81 (d, 1H, C8-H quinoline), 8.39 (s, 1H, C4-H quinoline), 12.02(s, 1H, OH D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable). MS (m/z): 302.29 (7.09, M+). Analytically calculated for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{10}\text{N}_4\text{O}_2$ : C, 67.55; H, 3.33; N, 18.53. Found. C, 67.48; H, 3.22; N, 18.19.

**Synthesis of the amide derivatives 5 and 6:** To a solution of 3 (2.36 g, 0.01 mmol) in 1,4-dioxane (25 mL) containing piperidine (1.00 mL) salicylaldehyde (1.22 g, 0.01 mmol) or benzaldehyde (1.06 g, 0.01 mmol) was added. The reaction mixture in each case was heated under reflux for 5 h. The solid products formed upon pouring onto ice-water

mixture containing few drops of hydrochloric acid was collected by filtration and crystallized from 1,4-dioxane.

**N-(3-cyanoquinolin-2-yl)-2-oxo-2H-chromene-3-yl-carboxamide (5):** Yield 64%, M.p. 256-257°C. IR (KBr,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3355, 3101 2855, 2215, (CN), 1722 1660(2C=O).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz, [D6] DMSO- D<sub>2</sub>O):  $\delta$  = 6.97 (s, 1H, C4-H coumarin), 7.02-7.80 (m, 8H), 8.12 (s, 1H, C4-H quinoline), 8.90 (s, 1H, NH D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (300 MHz, [D6] DMSO):  $\delta$  = 44, 95.1, 114.1, 116.8, 118.7, 121.8, 122.5, 124, 125.1, 125.4, 127, 127.2, 128.1, 131.9, 138.5, 147.3, 150.4, 159.3 (O-C=O), 163, 167. MS (m/z): 300.31 (10.6, M+). Analytically calculated for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{11}\text{N}_3\text{O}_3$ : C, 70.38; H, 3.25; N, 12.31. Found. C, 70.14; H, 3.07; N, 12.22.

**2-Cyano-N-(3-cyanoquinolin-2-yl)-3-phenylacrylamide (6):** Yield 86%, M.p. 122-123°C. IR (KBr,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3339(NH), 3078 2849, 2255, 2203 (2CN), 1640(C=O).  $^1\text{H}$ NMR (300 MHz, [D6] DMSO- D<sub>2</sub>O):  $\delta$ = 6.45 (s, 1H, NH D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 7.00-8.11 (m, 9H), 8.25 (s, 1H, C4-H quinoline), 8.57 (s, 1H, benzylidene CH). MS (m/z): 324.34 (17.1, M+). Analytically calculated for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_4\text{O}$ : C, 70.06; H, 3.73; N, 17.27. Found. C, 70.17; H, 3.99; N, 17.36.

**4-Amino-2-hydroxybenzo[b][1,8] naphthyridine-3-carbonitrile (7):** A solution of 3 (2.36 g, 0.01 mmol) in 1, 4-dioxane (20 mL) containing triethylamine (2 mL) was heated under reflux for 5 h. The solid product formed upon pouring onto ice/water was collected by filtration, and crystallized from 1, 4-dioxane.

Yield 63%, M.p. 110-111°C. IR (KBr,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3444 (OH, enol form), 3337, 3215 (NH<sub>2</sub>, NH), 3104, 2838, 2199 (CN), 1622(C=O, keto form).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz, [D6] DMSO- D<sub>2</sub>O):  $\delta$  = 3.71 (s, 2H-NH<sub>2</sub>, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 5.13 (s, 1H, OH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 7.29- 8.66 (m, 5H, quinoline).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (300 MHz, [D6] DMSO):  $\delta$  = 85.2, 116.9, 120.1, 126.8, 128.2, 129.9, 130.1, 136.5, 147.1, 159, 160.2, 166.1(C-OH). MS (m/z): 236.23 (3.9, M+). Analytically calculated for  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_8\text{N}_4\text{O}$ : C, 66.10; H, 3.41; N, 23.72. Found. C, 66.25; H, 3.27; N, 23.80.

**Synthesis of 3-cyanoquinolin-2-yl functionalized pyridone derivatives (8a, b):** To a solution of 6 (3.24 g, 0.01 mmol) in 1,4-dioxane (25 mL) and dimethylformamide (5 mL) containing triethylamine (1.00 mL), either malononitrile (0.66 g, 0.01 mmol) or ethyl cyanoacetate (1.13 g, 0.01 mmol) was added. The reaction mixture, in each case, was heated under reflux for 5 hours then cooled and neutralized by pouring onto ice/water mixture containing few drops of hydrochloric acid. The solid products formed, in each case, was filtered off and crystallized from ethanol 95%.

**Ethyl 2-amino-5-cyano-1-(3-cyanoquinolin-2-yl)-1,6-dihydro-6-oxo-4-phenyl-pyridine-3-carboxylate (8a):** Yield 82%, M.p. 268-269°C. IR (KBr,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3320 (NH<sub>2</sub>), 3063, 2851, 2216, 2192 (2CN), 1687, 1635 (2C=O).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz, [D6] DMSO- D<sub>2</sub>O):  $\delta$  = 1.16 (t, J = 8.00 Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.81 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 4.28 (q, J = 8.00 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.20-7.22 (t, 1H, C6-Hquinoline), 7.45-7.48(t, 1H, C7-H quinoline), 7.60-7.62 (d, 1H, C5-H quinoline), 7.79-7.82 (d, 1H, C8-H quinoline), 8.50 (s, 1H, C4-H quinoline). MS (m/z): 435.43 (14.15, M+). Analytically calculated for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_5\text{O}_3$ : C, 68.96; H, 3.94; N, 16.08. Found. C, 68.80; H, 4.01; N, 16.12.

**6-Amino-1-(3-cyanoquinolin-2-yl)-2-oxo-4-phenyl-1, 2-dihydropyridine-3, 5-dicarbonitrile (8b):** Yield 70%, M.p. 273-274°C. IR (KBr)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3311 (NH<sub>2</sub>), 3092, 2251, 2222, 2203 (3CN), 1631 (C=O).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz, [D6] DMSO- D<sub>2</sub>O):  $\delta$  = 3.97 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 7.29-7.31 (t, 1H, C6-H quinoline), 7.41-7.44 (t, 1H, C7-H quinoline), 7.65-7.68 (d, 1H, C5-H quinoline), 7.77-7.80 (d, 1H,

C8-H quinoline), 8.62 (s, 1H, C4-H quinoline). MS (m/z): 338.38 (3.7, M+). Analytically calculated for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O: C, 71.13; H, 3.11; N, 21.64. Found. C, 71.50; H, 3.05; N, 21.59.

**Synthesis of pyrazole carboxamide derivatives (9a, b):** To a solution of compound 6 (3.24 g, 0.01 mmol) in 1, 4-dioxane (25 mL) and dimethylformamide (10mL), either hydrazine hydrate 90% (0.50 g, 0.01 mmol), or phenyl hydrazine (1.08 g, 0.01 mmol) was added. The reaction mixture, in each case, was heated under reflux for 3 h. The solid products formed, in each case, upon pouring onto ice/water mixture containing few drops of hydrochloric acid were collected by filtration, and crystallized from 1, 4-dioxane/dimethylformamide mixture (3:2).

**3-Amino-N-(3-cyanoquinolin-2-yl)-5-phenyl-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxamide (9a):** Yield 70%, M.p. 197-199°C. IR (KBr, v, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3421, 3267 (NH<sub>2</sub>, 2NH), 3086, 2836, 2206 (CN), 1627 (C=O). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, [D6] DMSO- D<sub>2</sub>O): δ = 3.93 (s, 2H-NH<sub>2</sub>, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 6.89 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 7.23-8.52 (m, 10H, quinoline and phenyl), 8.72 (s, 1H, NH exchangeable with D<sub>2</sub>O). MS (m/z): 354.36 (22.20, M+). Analytically calculated for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>14</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O: C, 67.79; H, 3.98; N, 23.72. Found. C, 67.71; H, 3.92; N, 23.81.

**3-Amino-N-(3-cyanoquinolin-2-yl)-1, 5-diphenyl-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxamide (9b):** Yield 82%, M.p. 137-138°C. IR (KBr, v, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3419, 3250 (NH<sub>2</sub>, NH), 3099, 2843, 2214 (CN), 1623 (C=O). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, [D6] DMSO- D<sub>2</sub>O): δ = 3.96 (s, 2H-NH<sub>2</sub>, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 7.39 (s, 1H, NH, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 7.11- 8.46 (m, 15H, quinoline and 2 phenyl). MS (m/z): 430.46 (15.60, M+). Analytically calculated for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O: C, 72.55; H, 4.21; N, 19.52. Found. C, 72.63; H, 4.39; N, 19.80.

**2-Cyano-N-(3-cyanoquinolin-2-yl)-2-(2-phenylhydrazono) acetamide (10):** To a cold solution (0-5°C) of 3 (2.36 g, 0.01 mmol), in absolute ethanol (20 mL) containing sodium hydroxide (1.00 g) an equimolar amount of cold solution diazotized aniline was gradually added while stirring. The solid product formed upon cooling in an ice-bath was filtered, washed with water and crystallized from 1, 4-dioxane.

Yield 60%, M.p. 147-148°C. IR (KBr, v, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3359, 3221 (2NH), 3121, 2871, 2253, 2205 (2CN), 1685 (C=O). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, [D6] DMSO): δ = 7.34- 8.59 (m, 10H, quinoline and phenyl), 9.18 (s, 1H, NH), 11.02 (s, 1H, NH) MS (m/z): 340.34 (40.11, M+). Analytically calculated for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O: C, 67.05; H, 3.55; N, 24.69. Found. C, 67.11; H, 3.40; N, 24.81.

**2-(4-Amino-6-oxo-3-phenyl-2-thioxo-2, 3-dihydropyrimidin-1(6H)-yl) quinoline-3-carbonitrile (11):** Equimolar amounts of 3 (2.36 g, 0.01 mmol) and phenyl isothiocyanate (1.35 g, 0.01 mmol) in 1,4-dioxane (20 mL) containing triethylamine (1.0 mL) were heated under reflux for 7. After cooling, the reaction mixture was acidified by hydrochloric acid (few drops) and the crude product was precipitated, collected by filtration and crystallized from 1, 4-dioxane.

Yield 80%, M.p. 256-257°C. IR (KBr, v, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3437, 3232 (NH<sub>2</sub>), 3072, 2827, 2205 (CN), 1618(C=O). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, [D6] DMSO- D<sub>2</sub>O): δ = 3.97 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>, exchangeable with D<sub>2</sub>O), 6.99 (s, 1H, C5-H pyrimidine), 7.01- 8.53 (m, 10H, quinoline and phenyl). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>) δ: 44.4, 72.9, 95.3, 117.1, 120, 124, 124.9, 125.2, 126.4 (2C), 127.2, 129.2 (2C), 132.1, 134.5, 147.8, 166.2, 166.6 (C-NH<sub>2</sub>), 167, 177.3. MS (m/z): 371.42 (9.10, M+). Analytically calculated for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>13</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O S: C, 64.68; H, 3.53; N, 18.86. Found. C, 64.66; H, 3.59; N, 18.90.

**Synthesis of 3-cyanoquinolin-2-yl- functionalized thiophene derivative (12) and thiazole derivative (13):** Equimolar amounts of 3 (2.36 g, 0.01 mmol) and phenyl isothiocyanate (1.35 g, 0.01 mmol) in dimethylformamide (20 mL) and potassium hydroxide were

stirred overnight, then added ethylchloroacetate (1.22 g, 0.01 mmol) or chloroacetone (0.92 g, 0.01 mmol) while stirring were continued for 20 h. The products formed upon pouring onto ice/water mixture containing few drops of hydrochloric acid were collected by filtration and crystallized from ethanol 95% to afford compound 12 and 13 respectively.

**Ethyl 3-amino-4-((3-cyanoquinolin-2-yl) carbamoyl)-5-(phenylamino) thiophene-2-carboxylate (12):** Yield 80%, M.p. 124-125°C. IR (KBr, v, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3338, 3219 (2NH, NH<sub>2</sub>), 3058, 2834, 2209 (CN), 1702, 1632(2C=O). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, [D6] DMSO- D<sub>2</sub>O): δ = 1.24 (t, J = 9.00 Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.09 (q, J = 9.00 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.33 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>, exchangeable with D<sub>2</sub>O), 6.97 (s, 1H, NH, exchangeable with D<sub>2</sub>O), 7.17- 8.60 (m, 10H, quinoline and phenyl), 9.90 (s, 1H, NH, exchangeable with D<sub>2</sub>O), MS (m/z): 457.50 (13.12.10, M+). Analytically calculated for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S: C, 63.01; H, 4.19; N, 15.31. Found. C, 63.22; H, 4.12; N, 15.30.

**2-Cyano-N-(3-cyanoquinolin-2-yl)-2-(4-methyl-3-phenyl-3H-thiazole-2-ylidene) acetamide (13):** Yield 80%, M.p. 124-125°C. IR (KBr, v, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3377 (NH), 3061, 2840, 2202, 2160 (2CN), 1641(C = O). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, [D6] DMSO): δ = 1.39 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 6.83 (s, 1H, C5 -H thiazole), 7.29- 8.53 (m, 10H, quinoline and phenyl), 9.70 (s, 1H, NH). MS (m/z): 409.46 (6.50, M+). Analytically calculated for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>5</sub>OS: C, 67.47; H, 3.69; N, 17.10. Found. C, 67.55; H, 3.73; N, 17.00.

**Synthesis of 3-cyanoquinolin-2-yl- functionalized 3-phenylazo-2-pyridone derivatives (14a, b):** To a solution of 10 (3.40 g, 0.01 mmol) in absolute ethanol (25 mL) and dimethylformamide (5 mL) containing triethylamine (1.00 mL), either of ethyl cyanoacetate (1.13 g, 0.01 mmol) or malononitrile (0.66 g, 0.01 mol) was added. The reaction mixture, in each case, was heated under reflux for 7 h, then cooled and neutralized by pouring onto ice/water mixture containing few drops of hydrochloric acid. The solid products formed, in each case, was filtered off and crystallized from ethanol/dimethylformamide mixture.

**Ethyl 2, 4-diamino-1-(3-cyanoquinolin-2-yl)-6-oxo-5-(phenyldiazanyl)-1, 6-dihydropyridine-3-carboxylate (14a):** Yield 65%, M.p. 161-162°C. IR (KBr, v, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3359, 3230 (2NH<sub>2</sub>), 3070, 2852, 2208 (CN), 1722, 1625 (2C = O). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, [D6] DMSO- D<sub>2</sub>O): δ = 1.21 (t, J = 9.30 Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.16, 3.23 (2s, 2H each, 2NH<sub>2</sub>, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 4.10 (q, J = 9.30 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.23- 8.66 (m, 10H, quinoline and phenyl), MS (m/z): 453.45 (7.3, M+). Analytically calculated for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>7</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 63.57; H, 4.22; N, 21.62. Found. C, 63.45; H, 4.28; N, 21.94.

**2-(2, 4-Diamino-3-cyano-6-oxo-5-(phenyldiazanyl)-1, 6-dihydropyridine)-3-cyanoquinoline (14b):** Yield 65%, M.p. 208-209°C. IR (KBr) cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3358, 3240 (2NH<sub>2</sub>), 3087, 2834, 2251, 2204(2CN), 1671(C = O). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, [D6] DMSO- D<sub>2</sub>O): δ = 3.19, 3.45 (2s, 2H each, 2NH<sub>2</sub>, D<sub>2</sub>O exchangeable), 7.20- 8.46 (m, 10H, quinoline and phenyl), MS (m/z): 406.46 (8.5, M+). Analytically calculated for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>14</sub>N<sub>8</sub>O: C, 65.02; H, 3.47; N, 27.57. Found. C, 65.11; H, 3.56; N, 27.36.

## Antimicrobial Activity

All newly synthesized compounds were test for their *in vitro* growth inhibitory activity against a standard strain of two gram positive bacteria viz., *Bacillus subtilis*, *Staphylococci aureus* and two gram negative bacteria viz., *Escherichia coli*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, in addition to fungi (*Candida albicans*). Antibacterial activity was done by the disk diffusion method. Were the bacteria and fungi sub cultured in BHI medium and incubated for 18h at 37°C, and then the bacterial cells were suspended according to the McFarland protocol in saline solution to produce a suspended of about 10-5CFU ml 1:10 μ of this suspension was mixed with 10 ml of sterile antibiotic agar at 40°C and poured onto an agar plate. Five paper disks (6.0 mm diameter) were

fixed onto nutrient agar plate. The solutions of different compounds under test at a concentration of 500 in 5% DMSO were poured in the cup/well of bacteria seeded agar plates. These plates were incubated at 37°C for 24 hours for *E. coli* and fungi for 4 days at 27°C, whereas plates of other three bacteria were incubated at 27°C for 24 hr. The standard antibiotics used were *streptomycin* (all at 500 µg/ml) and standard antifungal used were fluconazole at 500 µg/ml, the control solution (only 5% DMSO) did not reveal any inhibition. The zone of inhibition produced by each compound was measured in mm.µg/ml. The results of antimicrobials studies are given in Table 1. The discussion and comparison of antibacterial activity were given with respect to *streptomycin* antibiotic and antifungal screening was compared with fluconazole.

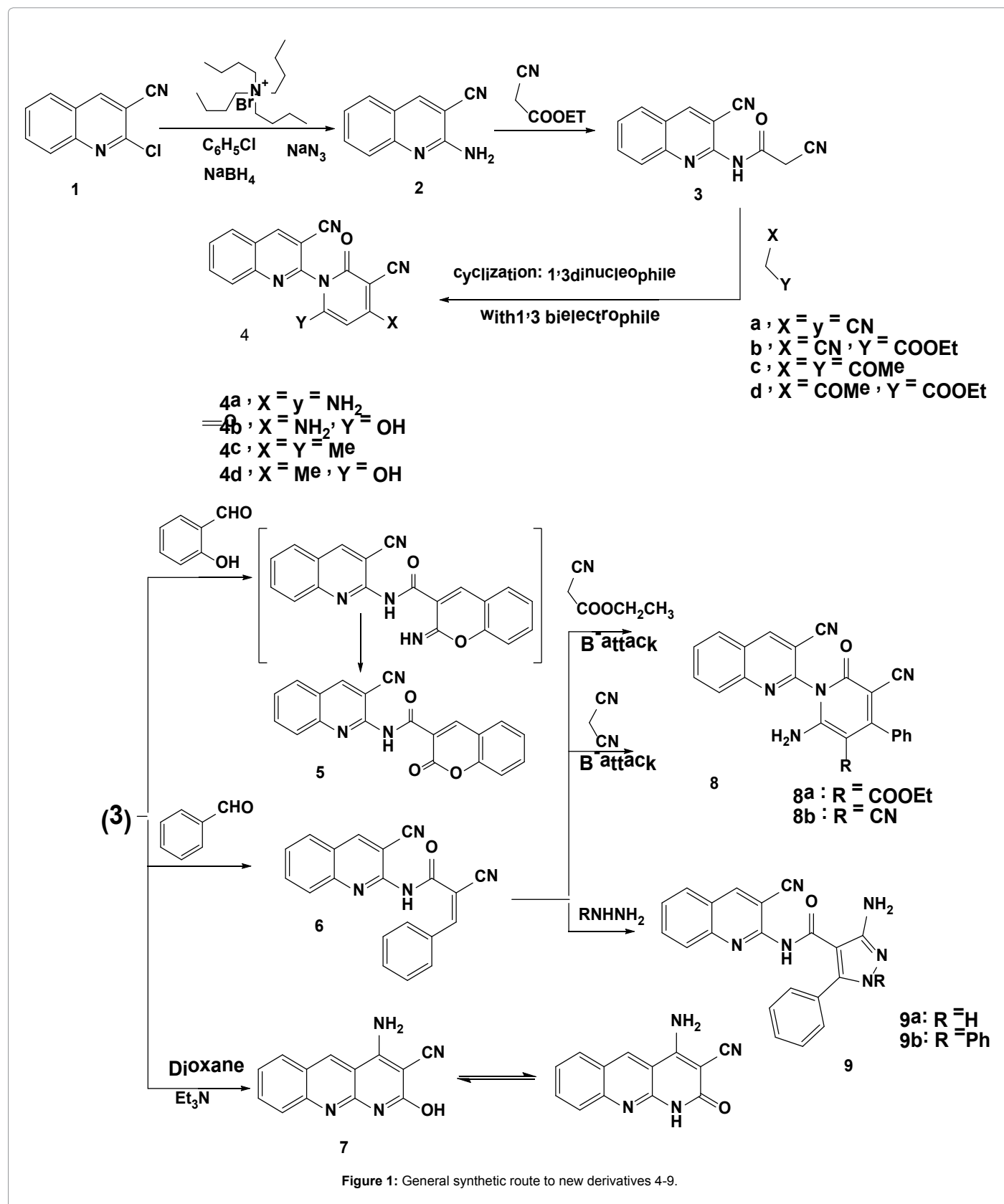
## Results and Discussion

The synthetic method adopted to obtain the newly synthesized compound 2 that was prepared by nucleophilic substitution depending on modification of the reported [20] procedure. Where we are going to development of efficient protocols for the preparation of biologically active heterocyclic derivatives along with the versatility of the organic synthon [21]. We herein report the synthesis of 2-aminoquinoline-3-carbonitrile (2) and the strategy depend on an efficient one-pot via in situ generation of tetrazoloquinoline, on contrast to other procedure involving separation then thermal decomposition of formed tetrazole [28] in addition, to other procedure involving harsh conditions [22-26]. We elected to examine the conversion of 1 into 2 with the goals of optimizing reaction conditions under liquid-liquid phase-transfer conditions using chlorobenzene and water as solvent and tetrabutylammonium bromide as catalyst (Figure 1), depending on activated aromatic systems such chloro [27] and a few heteroaromatic systems [27] that can undergo nucleophilic substitution by azide ions. Chloro functionality in 2-position of quinoline-3-carbonitrile [13-16] was found to be labile towards nucleophilic substitution reactions [20,21], so by addition of sodium azide to this chloro functionality in 2-position it forms heterocyclic azide that spontaneously cyclized to give the fused tetrazole form. It well be reported that tetrazole are

lipophilic, metabolically stable compounds [28]. In our literature tetrazole can be synthesized directly by a [3+2] dipolar cycloaddition between organoazide and C=N of quinoline ring this reaction occurs through a concerted and regioselective [29,30] [3+2] cycloaddition. It's well-known that phase transfer catalyst technique shows the novelty of using sodium borohydride [31] as an efficient reducing agent for tetrazoles, to afford pure product in high yields and offers the advantages of permitting a one-pot conversion of 1 into 2 with very simple operative conditions. Thus, in a modified procedure, synthetic strategies based on phase transfer catalyst were adopted and evaluated for the cleavage of tetrazoloquinoline intermediate A (Figure 2) keeping sodium borohydride as a reducing agent [31]. In liquid-liquid phase-transfer conditions, tetrabutylammonium bromide was used as catalyst and chlorobenzene together with water (3:1) was preferred as solvent. Chlorobenzene was used as a solvent to elevate the reaction temperature 20°C higher than bromobenzene [28]. The higher temperature of the reaction mixture facilitates thermal decomposition of tetrazole intermediate that enhanced by using water and it showed unimolecular N<sub>2</sub> elimination [32] to produce intermediate B (Figure 3) and this elimination was affected by no tetrazole ring substituent are placed 33. Association of liquid-liquid phase-transfer catalyst with azidolysis by using chlorobenzene and water as solvents proved to be cleaner, rate enhancing and yield improving as compared to direct conversion of chloro to amino functionality under harsh conditions [31-35]. In contrast azidolysis followed by reduction facilitate the indirect amination. Thus azide and tetrazole formation followed by reduction can be viewed a best pathway as latent amino functionalities. The generality of this reaction has been shown by the formation of tetrazole intermediate A (Figure 3) in good yields according to the reported [28] procedure but in this literature we aimed to formation of tetrazole in situ that exposed to higher temperature condition where it targeted the use of chlorobenzene due to its higher temperature than other solvent as bromobenzene and in this stage the elevated temperature cause decomposition of formed tetrazole then comes the role of water in the reaction where it cause azidolysis of intermediate B (Figure 3) and this accompanied by N<sub>2</sub> elimination then comes the role of catalyst where

Compound No	Concentration (mg/l)	Microorganism (Inhibition zone)				
		<i>Bacillus subtilis</i>	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	<i>Candida albicans</i>
2	500	12	12	11	14	15
3	500	11	13	14	12	6
4a	500	12	10	10	12	12
4b	500	11	12	12	13	14
4c	500	7	13	12	11	12
4d	500	9	14	14	8	12
5	500	13	6	16	10	11
6	500	7	14	13	12	12
7	500	12	11	08	15	9
8a	500	14	13	17	16	14
8b	500	16	14	15	12	16
9a	500	9	15	13	14	13
9b	500	8	9	14	11	10
10	500	12	12	12	8	8
11	500	15	13	16	6	15
12	500	10	8	12	12	8
13	500	9	11	14	13	6
14a	500	16	17	15	14	16
14b	500	15	16	15.5	15	17
Streptomycin	500	25.0	25.7	25.0	25.80	-
Fluconazole	500	-	-	-	-	20.5

Table 1: Antimicrobial activity of synthesized 3-cyanoquinolin-2-yl-functionalized derivatives.



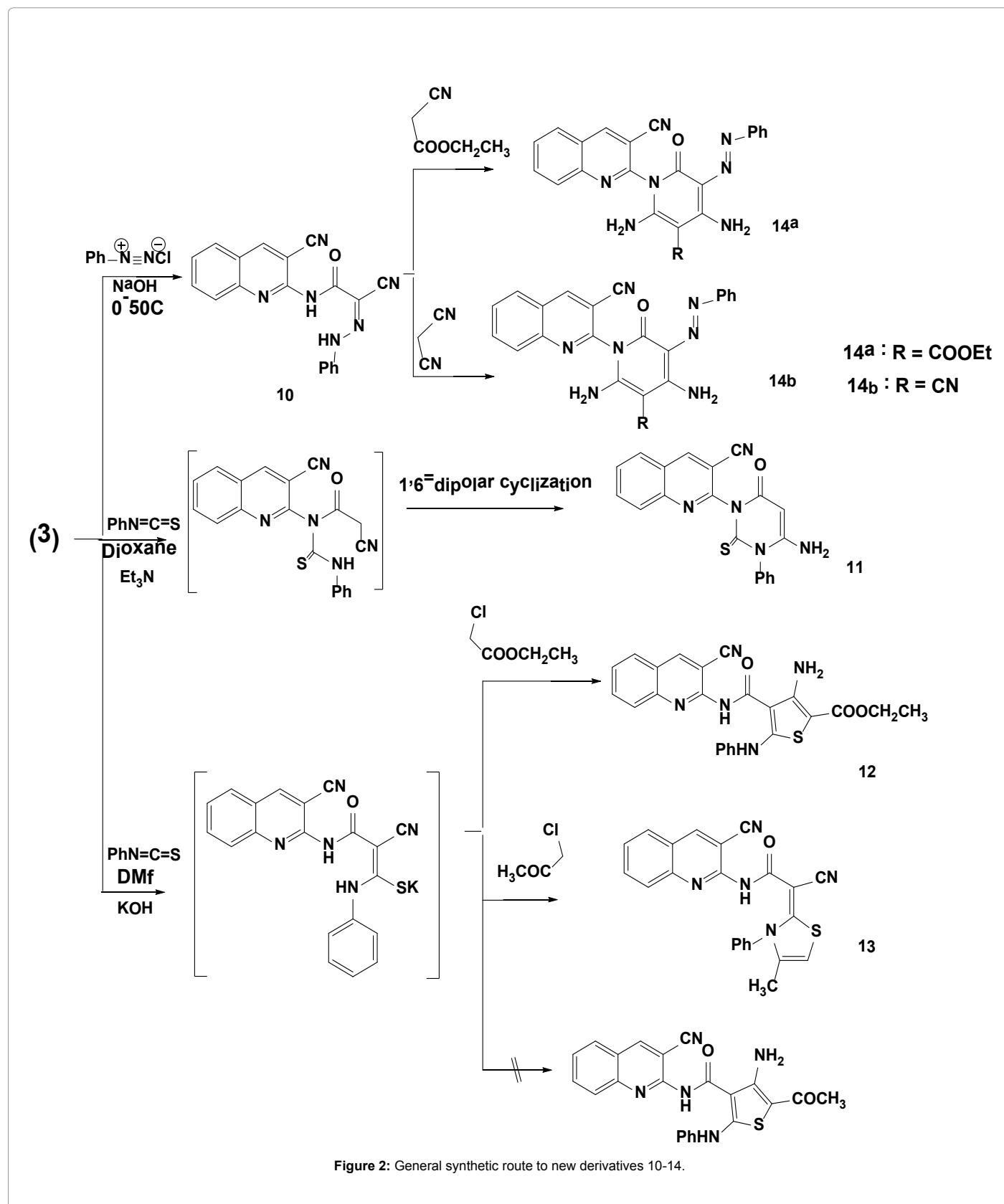
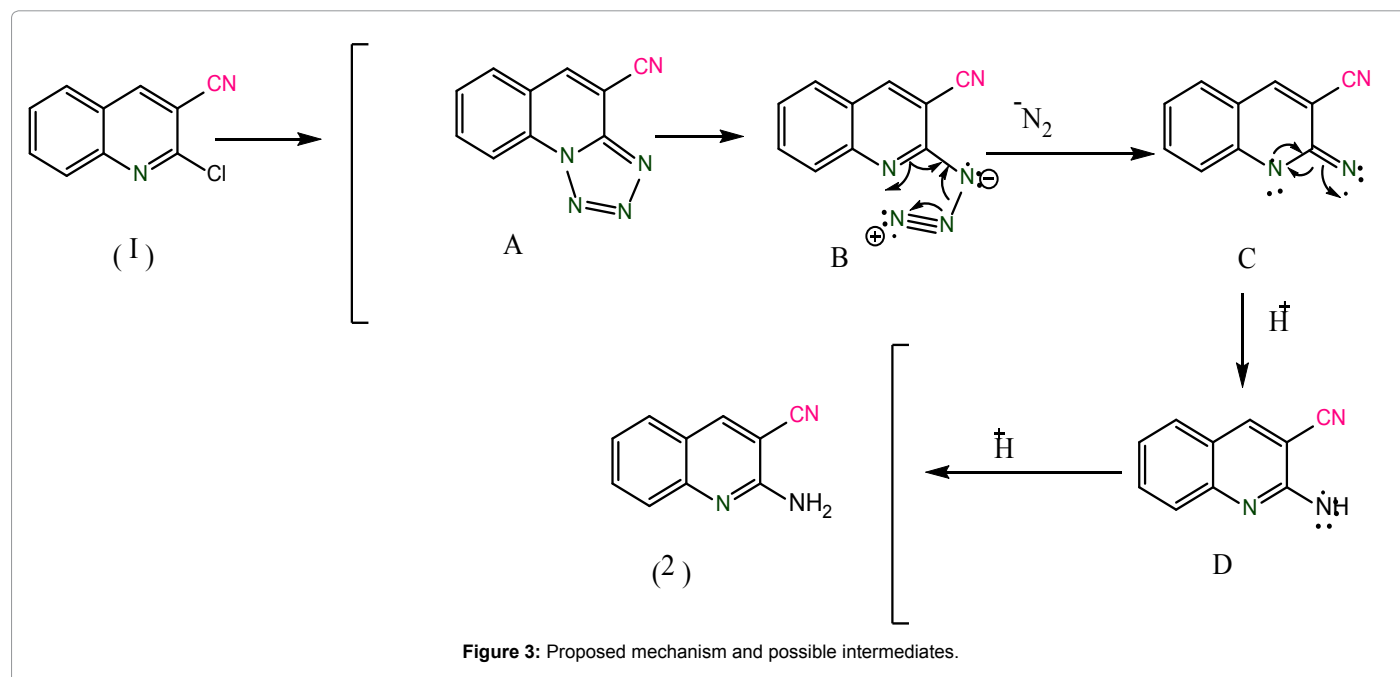


Figure 2: General synthetic route to new derivatives 10-14.



we use quaternary ammonium halide that dissolved in the aqueous phase and it undergoes anion exchange with the anion of the reactant. The ion-pair formed can cross the liquid-liquid interface due to its lipophilic nature and diffuses from the interface into the organic phase, this step being the phase-transfer that lead to formation of intermediate C (Figure 3). and the catalyst subsequently, returns to the aqueous phase and the cycle continues. At this important stage, role of sodium borohydride was come as reducing agent to form the intermediate D (Figure 3) then reduction was continued, and on complete the reaction time to afford the corresponding 2-aminoquinoline-3-carbonitrile (2). Where its IR-spectra of 2 showed the appearance of  $\text{NH}_2$  Stretching band at  $3350\text{ cm}^{-1}$ , which when react with ethylcyano acetate give the key precursor 3 in which IR revealed the presence of  $\text{C}=\text{O}$  at  $1655\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Moreover, the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum exhibited singlet at  $\delta$  4.28 for the acetamido  $\text{CH}_2$  and a singlet at  $\delta$  6.83 ppm for the amidic  $\text{NH}$ . By subjecting the compound 3 to reaction with active methylene reagents the respective 2-pyridone derivatives 4a-d were obtained. The appearance of the pyridine C5-H protons at  $\delta$  6.83- 6.45 ppm and appearance of exchangeable proton that disappear with  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$  or  $\text{CH}_3$  as in compound 4 c, d will prove the proposed structures. When compound 3 react with salicylaldehyde and benzaldehyde it give compounds 5 and 6 respectively, the structure of the resulting compound 5 was confirmed by appearance of two  $\text{C}=\text{O}$  one belong the amidic at  $1660\text{ cm}^{-1}$  and one at high frequency  $\text{C}=\text{O}$  stretching at  $1722\text{ cm}^{-1}$  cited for the coumarin oxo (not present in imino intermediate), proved by  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR at  $\delta$  159.3 in addition to,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of C4-H of coumarin at  $\delta$  6.97(absent in the start), this also beside the compound 6 in which IR containing two stretching band at  $2255\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ,  $2203\text{ cm}^{-1}$  ( $2\text{CN}$ ) that prove the structure of compound 6 in addition to, its  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of 6 showed the presence of one singlet at  $\delta$  8.57 ppm due to the presence of benzyldiene CH. when compound 3 react with dioxane in presence of triethyl amine it afford compound 7, and the structure of the produced compound were confirmed from its IR and  $^1\text{H}$  NMR where the presence of  $\text{OH}$ , and  $\text{NH}_2$  confirm the structure of compound 7. On the other hand, treatment of the benzyldiene

derivative 6 with methylene carbonitrile reagents afforded the respective pyridone derivatives 8 a, b The reaction takes place via  $\beta$ -attack on the benzyldiene moiety in 6 followed by 1,6-intramolecular dipolar cyclization with concomitant aromatization. The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of 8a and 8b showed the presence of one singlet for each at  $\delta$  3.81 and  $\delta$  3.97 ppm, respectively, due to the presence of the  $\text{NH}_2$  group. When compound 6 reacted with either hydrazine hydrate or phenyl hydrazine, the corresponding pyrazole systems 9a, b were obtained as the major products. The reaction involves  $\beta$ -attack on the  $\text{C}=\text{C}$  moiety in 6 with subsequent 1, 5-intramolecular dipolar cyclization and concomitant aromatization. Microanalysis and spectral data of 9a, b were fully consistent with the proposed structures. Where the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of 9a and 9b showed the presence of one singlet for each at  $\beta$  3.93 and  $\delta$  3.96 ppm, respectively, due to the presence of the  $\text{NH}_2$  group. On the other hand, compound 3 reacted with benzenediazonium chloride to give the phenylhydrazo derivative 10, the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of compound 10 revealed two singlets at  $\delta$  9.18 and 11.02 ppm (exchangeable with  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ ) due to (2 NH) groups. The latter compound 10 reacted with either malononitrile or ethyl cyanoacetate to give the 3-phenylazo-pyridone derivatives 14a and 14b, respectively. The proposed structures were based on analytical and spectral data. The IR of compound 14a and 14b showed disappearance of  $\text{NH}$  stretching band and its  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of 14a and 14b showed the presence of two singlets for each at  $\delta$  3.16, 3.23 ppm, and 3.19, 3.45 ppm respectively, due to the presence of (2  $\text{NH}_2$ ) groups and this data will prove the cyclization and formation of pyridine ring. The studying of the reaction of compound 3 with phenyl isothiocyanate in 1, 4-dioxane containing triethylamine involved a nucleophilic attack by the amidic  $\text{NH}$  function in 3 on the  $\text{C}=\text{S}$  terminal of the isocyanate reagent to produce the acyclic intermediate. The latter then underwent 1,6-dipolar cyclization to afford compound 11 as the major product, the structure of this compound was proven by the presence of two singlets at  $\delta$  6.99 and 3.97 ppm due to pyrimidine C3-H and  $\text{NH}_2$ , respectively. On the other hand, we studying the reactivity of active methylene reagents towards phenyl isothiocyanate in basic

dimethylformamide followed by heterocyclization with  $\alpha$ -halocarbonyl compounds. These reactions lead to the formation of either thiophene (compound 12) or thiazole (compound 13) systems depending on reaction conditions and the nature of the  $\alpha$ -halocarbonyl reagent in which the reaction takes place through the intermediate of the potassium sulphide salt. The disappearance of  $\text{CH}_2$  singlet observed in the precursor 3, and the appearance of  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$  exchangeable  $\text{NH}_2$  singlet at  $\delta$  4.33 ppm for compounds 12 and appearance of one singlet at  $\delta$  1.39 ppm for compounds 13 as well as the appearance of singlet at 6.83 ppm assigned to a thiazole  $\text{C}_5$ -H proton in compound 13 (not present in the structure containing thiophen and amino substituent), all this are considered sufficient to confirm the structures of 12 and 13.

## Conclusion

We have synthesized polyfunctionalized heterocyclic systems based on 2-cyano-N-(3-cyanoquinolin-2-yl) acetamide (3) using convenient method. The antimicrobial activity of all synthesized compounds showed moderate of antimicrobial activity, From the screening data it was found some derivative (8a, b), 11 and 14 a, b that containing pyridine ring have encouraging antifungal activity, which need to be further investigation to get better antifungal and antibacterial agents in the future. Microbiological testing of the new synthesized compounds was performing in the Regional Center for Mycology and Biotechnology, Department of Microbiology, Faculty of Science, Al-Azher University, Cairo, Egypt.

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