



2-{2"-carbonyl-5"-[3'-amino-2'-methylmono/ Dihalosubstituted Quinazolin-4'(3'h)-onomethylene]- 1",3",4"-oxadiazol-2"-yl}-4,5-dihydroimidazolines as Potential Antihypertensive Agents

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ABSTRACT

Twelve new 2-{2"-carbonyl-5"-[3'-amino-2'-methylmono/dihalosubstituted quinazolin-4'(3'H)-onomethylene]-1",3",4"-oxadiazol-2"-yl}-4,5-dihydroimidazolines were prepared and evaluated for their cardiovascular activity. The most active compound of this series is 2-{2"-carbonyl-5"-[3'-amino-2'-methyl-6-bromoquinazolin-4'(3'H)-onomethylene]-1",3",4"-oxadiazol-2"-yl}-4,5-dihydroimidazolines i.e. compound VIc.

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INTRODUCTION

Research in the field of imidazoline derivatives has yielded a number of clinically useful anti-hypertensive drugs. Imidazoline derivatives of different heterocyclic nucleus have shown potent pharmacological properties like antiinflammatory¹, analgesic², CNS-depressant³, anticonvulsant⁴ and hypotensive⁵⁻⁶. Importantly, substitution at 2-position of imidazoline nucleus plays pivotal role in molecular designing of some cardiovascular agents like clonidine, which lowered the blood pressure. Furthermore, substitution at 2-position of imidazoline nucleus by different heterocyclic

moieties, plays a pivotal role in delineating the cardiovascular activity⁷⁻⁸. Moreover, quinazolinones⁹⁻¹⁰ and oxadiazoles¹¹⁻¹² have also been reported to possess potent antihypertensive activity. With an aim to develop better hypotensive agents, it was thought worthwhile to synthesize a new series of 2-substituted imidazoline derivatives bearing oxadiazolyl and quinazolinonyl moieties. All the newly synthesized compounds (synthetic route is given in scheme) were evaluated for their cardiovascular activity and acute toxicity studies. Moreover structures of all the compounds were delineated by spectral analysis.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Chemistry

All melting points are uncorrected. The purity of the compounds were checked by TLC on silica gel-G plates and spots were located by iodine. IR spectra were recorded on Beckman-Acculab-10-spectrophotometer (ν_{\max} in cm^{-1}) $^1\text{H-NMR}$ spectra was recorded on Bruker-400-FT instrument. Mass spectra were recorded on Jeol- JMS D-300 spectrophotometer.

Synthesis

The required 3-amino - 2- methylmono / dihalosubstitutedquinazolin - 4 (3H) - ones Ia-IId, were synthesized according to the reported method¹³, which on reaction with ethylchloroacetate, in the presence of anhydrous K_2CO_3 gives ethyl-3-amino-2-methylmono/dihalosubstituted-quinazolin-4(3H)-onoacetates (IIa-IIId). Compound IIa-IIId on treatment with semicarbazide in methanol gave I-[3'-amino-2'- methylmono / dihalosubstitutedquinazolin -4' (3'H) - onoacetyl]-semicarbazides (IIIa-IIIId). These compounds were reacts with conc. H_2SO_4 and then neutralized with liquid ammonia to yield cyclized products i.e. 2-amino-5- [3'-amino-2'- methyl-mono / dihalosubstitutedquinazolin - 4' (3'H)-onomethylene] - 1,3,4- oxadiazoles IVa-IVd. 2 - Amino chloroacetyl-5- [3'-amino - 2- methylmono/ dihalosubstitutedquinazolin-4' (3'H)-onomethylene]-1,3,4-oxadiazoles i.e. Va-Vd were prepared by the addition of chloroacetylchloride drop by drop into the solution of compound IVa-IVd, these compounds were cyclized to imidazolines VIa-VId, by the addition of ethylenediamine and sulphur.

Synthesis of ethyl-3- amino- 2- methylmono/ dihalosubstituted- quinazolin - 4 (3H) - onoacetates (IIa-IIId)

A mixture of 3-Amino-2-methyl-mono / dihalosubstitutedquinazolin-4 (3H)-one (0.01 mole), ethylchloroacetate (0.01 mole) and anhydrous K_2CO_3 (5g) in dry acetone (80 ml) were refluxed for 15 hours on a steam bath. The excess of the solvents were distilled off and the resulting solid mass poured into ice cold water, filtered and recrystallised from appropriate solvents. Physical and analytical data of compounds are given in table I.

Compound IIa: IR (cm^{-1} ; selected lines);

3250 (NH), 3060 (C-H aromatic), 2918 (methyl C-H stretch), 2845 (CH_2), 1740 (C=O), 450 (C-I stretch). $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (CDCl_3): d 9.60 (ss, 1H, NHCH_2), 7.25-7.80 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 4.40 (d, 2H, CH_2NH), 4.10 (q, 2H, $\text{J}=7\text{Hz}$, $\text{COOCH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 2.48 (s, 3H, CH_3), 1.22 (t, 3H, $\text{J}=7\text{Hz}$, $\text{COOCH}_2\text{CH}_3$) (ppm). [MS]:[M]⁺m/z 387.

Synthesis of I-[3'- amino-2'- methylmono/ dihalosubstituted- quinazolin-4-(3'H)-onoacetyl]-semicarbazides (IIIa-IIId)

A mixture of 3-(ethylacetylamino)- 2-methyl- mono /dihalosubstitutedquinazolin-4 (3H)- ones (0.075 mole) and semicarbazide (0.075 mole) in methanol (70ml) were refluxed on a steam bath for about 8 hr. The excess of the solvents were distilled off and the viscous mass poured into ice cold water, filtered and recrystallised from appropriate solvents. Physical and analytical data of compounds IIIa-IIIId are given in table 1.

Compound IIIa: IR (cm^{-1} , selected lines); 3200 (NH), 3050 (aromatic C-H), 2918 (methyl C-H stretch), 2853 (CH_2), 1700 (C=O), 1600 (C=N), 1580 (C_{\dots}C of aromatic ring), 500 (C-I stretch). $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (CDCl_3): d 9.55 (ss, 1H, NHCH_2), 8.80 (m, 4H, NHNHCONH_2), 7.52-6.80 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 4.30 (d, 2H, NHCH_2), 2.52 (s, 3H, CH_3) (ppm). MS: [M]⁺m/z 416

Synthesis of 2-amino-5- [3'-amino-2'- methylmono/dihalo- sub- stitutedquinazolin-4'(3'H)- onomethylene] 1,3,4- oxadiazoles (IVa-IVd).

Conc. H_2SO_4 (15ml) and a mixture of I-[3'-amino-2'- methyl - mono/ dihalosubstituted quinazolin- 4 (3H) - oneacetyl] semicarbazides (0.05 mole) were kept overnight at room temperature, poured into ice cold water, neutralised with liquid NH_3 and filtered. The product obtained were recrystallised from appropriate solvents. Physical and analytical data of compounds IVa-IVd are given in table-I.

Compound IVa

IR (cm^{-1} , selected lines); 3355 (NH_2), 3053 (aromatic C-H), 2920 (methyl C-H stretch), 2845 (CH_2), 1790 (CO), 1600 (C=N), 1580 (C_{\dots}C of aromatic ring), 1080 (C-O-C). $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (CDCl_3): d 9.40 (ss, 1H, NHCH_2), 8.20 (s, 2H, NH_2), 7.58-7.70

(m, 3H, Ar-H), 4.30 (d, 2H, NHCH₂), 2.70 (s, 3H, CH₃) (ppm).
MS: [M]⁺ m/z 398

Synthesis of 2-[aminochloroacetyl-5-(3'-amino-2'-methyl-mono/dihalosubstitutedquinazolin-4(3'H)-onomethylene]-1,3,4-oxadiazoles Va-Vb

To a well stirred solution of compounds IVa-IVd (0.01 mole) in dry chloroform (40 ml) chloroacetylchloride (0.02 mole) was added at 0°C dropwise during 1 hr. The reaction mixtures were stirred for 5 hr more cooled and poured into ice water. The resulting mixtures were filtered and recrystallised from appropriate solvents. Physical and analytical data of compounds Va-Vd are mentioned in table-I

Compound Va

IR (cm⁻¹, selected lines); 3045 (aromatic C-H), 2870 (CH₂), 1770 (C=O), 1635 (C=N), 1550 (C...C of aromatic ring), 1010 (C-O-C), 690 (C-C1). ¹H-NMR (CDC1₃): δ 9.40 (ss, 1H, NHCO), 8.49 (hump, 1H, NHCO), 7.10-8.20 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 4.72 (s, 2H, CH₂C1), 4.35 (d, 2H, NHCH₂), 2.50 (s, 3H, CH₃) (ppm).
MS: [M]⁺ m/z 474.

Synthesis of 2-{2"-carbonyl-5"-[3'-amino-2'-methylmono/ dihalosubstitutedquinazolin-4'(3'H)-onomethylene]-1",3",4"-oxadiazol-2"-yl}-4,5-dihydroimidazolines VIa-VId

To a mixture of compounds Va-Vd (0.01 mole) in toluene (dry 100 ml) and sulphur (0.02 mole), ethylenediamine (0.01 mole) was added dropwise at 110°C during 1hr. The reaction mixtures were refluxed for 4 hrs. till the evolution of hydrogen sulphide ceased. It is filtered hot and the filtrate concentrated and poured into crushed ice. The resulting solids were recrystallised from appropriate solvents. Physical and analytical data of compounds VIa-VId are given in table-I

Compound VIa

IR (cm⁻¹, selected lines); 3240 (NH), 3040 (aromatic C-H), 2930 (methyl C-H stretch), 2850 (CH₂), 1700 (C=O of NHCO), 1620 (C=N), 1510 (C...C of aromatic ring), 1040 (C-O-C). ¹H-NMR (CDC1₃): δ 9.55 (ss, 1H, NHCO), 8.40 (bs, 1H, NHCO), 7.45-8.10 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 5.65 (bs, 1H, NH of imidazoline ring), 4.30 (d, 2H, NHCH₂), 3.80-3.58

(m, 4H, CH₂-CH₂ of 4,5-dihydroimidazoline ring), 2.48 (s, 3H, CH₃) (ppm).
MS: [M]⁺ m/z 494.

Biological activities

The present study was carried out on adult normotensive mongrel dogs (10-20 kg) or on cats (3-4 kg) and Charles Foster albino mice (18-25gm). The dogs/cats were divided into two groups of 5 animal each. One of the groups was treated as control group while another group was treated as test group. Dogs/cats were anaesthetized with ± chloralose (80 mg/kg i.p.) injected intravenously and maintained on positive pressure artificial respiration by cannulation of the trachea in order to avoid reflex change in respiration. The right femoral vein was cannulated in each case with an indwelling polyethylene tube. The blood pressure was recorded either from the left common carotid artery by means of a mercury manometer on smoked Kymography paper or from femoral artery on one channel of "Encardiorite" (India) polygraph using stathus P23 transducer. Electrocardiogram (Lead II) was recorded on one channel of "Encardiorite" (India) polygraph in some of the experiments. The heart rate was calculated from the pressure pulse tracing in all the experiments. The newly synthesized compounds (test drugs) were administered intravenously through an indwelling polyethylene cannula by dissolving them in propylene glycol and the effect on blood pressure (B.P.), heart rate (H.R.) and pressor responses evoked either by carotid occlusion (CO) or intravenous noradrenaline (NA) 1-2 mg/kg injection was studied. 0.25 ml of propyleneglycol was injected as vehicle to see the effect of vehicle on the parameters in the control group of animals. Injection of 0.25ml of propylene glycol induced a mild and transient decrease of 5 mmHg in blood pressure without affecting the CO and NA responses. The toxicity study was carried out on mice of either sex. Approximate 50% lethal dose (ALD₅₀) of all the compounds was determined in albino mice. The mice of either sex weighing between 18-25 gm were used for the study. The drugs were injected by intraperitoneal (i.p.) route at different dose levels in separate groups of animals. From the data obtained ALD₅₀ was calculated according to the method¹⁴. The results were analysed by using student's t-test.

Table 1: Physical properties of compounds (Ia-IId), (IIa-IIId), (IIIa-IIIId), (IVa-IVd), (Va-Vd) and (VI-VId)

S. No.	R	M.P. (°C)	Yield (%)	Recrystallisation solvent	Molecular Formula	Elemental Analysis %					
						C		H		N	
						Calcd.	Found	Calcd.	Found	Calcd.	Found
Ila	6-I	185	70	Methanol/ water	C ₁₃ H ₁₄ N ₃ O ₃ I	40.31	40.35	3.61	3.64	10.85	10.81
Ilb	6,8-Br ₂	170	65	Methanol/ water	C ₁₃ H ₁₃ N ₃ O ₃ Br ₂	37.23	37.20	3.10	3.14	10.02	10.04
Ilc	6-Br	160	65	Methanol/ water	C ₁₃ H ₁₄ N ₃ O ₃ Br	45.88	45.90	4.11	4.14	12.35	12.37
Ild	H	120	60	Methanol/ water	C ₁₃ H ₁₅ N ₃ O ₃	59.77	59.72	5.74	5.70	16.09	16.06
IIla	6-I	90	70	Ethanol/ water	C ₁₂ H ₁₃ N ₆ O ₃ I	34.61	34.64	3.12	3.16	20.19	20.22
IIlb	6,8-Br ₂	110	75	Ethanol/ water	C ₁₂ H ₁₂ N ₆ O ₃ Br ₂	32.14	32.16	2.67	2.62	18.75	18.72
IIlc	6-Br	150	72	Ethanol/ water	C ₁₂ H ₁₃ N ₆ O ₃ Br	39.02	39.06	3.52	3.55	22.76	22.78
IIId	H	105	72	Ethanol/ water	C ₁₂ H ₁₄ N ₆ O ₃	49.65	49.68	4.82	4.80	28.96	28.94
IVa	6-1	120	68	Methanol/ water	C ₁₂ H ₁₁ N ₆ O ₂ I	36.18	36.20	2.76	2.74	21.10	21.13
IVb	6,8-Br ₂	180	72	Methanol/ water	C ₁₂ H ₁₀ N ₆ O ₂ Br ₂	33.48	33.50	2.32	2.30	19.53	19.50
IVc	6-Br	200	70	Methanol/ water	C ₁₂ H ₁₁ N ₆ O ₂ Br	41.02	40.04	3.13	3.16	23.93	28.90
IVd	H	95	68	Methanol/ water	C ₁₂ H ₁₂ N ₆ O ₂	52.94	52.98	4.41	4.43	30.88	30.85
Va	6-1	225	60	Ethanol/ water	C ₁₄ H ₁₂ N ₆ O ₃ ClI	35.40	35.42	2.52	2.50	17.70	17.72
Vb	6,8-Br ₂	150	65	Ethanol/ water	C ₁₄ H ₁₁ N ₆ O ₃ ClBr ₂	33.16	33.12	2.17	2.15	16.58	16.55
Vc	6-Br	260	65	Ethanol/ water	C ₁₄ H ₁₂ N ₆ O ₃ ClBr	39.29	39.25	2.80	2.84	19.64	19.62
Vd	H	110	58	Ethanol/ water	C ₁₄ H ₁₃ N ₆ O ₃ Cl	48.20	48.18	3.73	3.75	24.10	24.12
Via	6-1	200	50	Benzene	C ₁₆ H ₁₅ N ₈ O ₃ I	38.86	38.88	3.03	3.06	22.67	22.70
Vib	6,8-Br ₂	190	60	Benzene	C ₁₆ H ₁₄ N ₈ O ₃ Br ₂	36.50	36.54	2.66	2.70	21.29	21.26
Vie	6-Br	210	62	Benzene	C ₁₆ H ₁₅ N ₈ O ₃ Br	42.95	42.98	3.35	3.32	25.05	25.03
VId	H	140	45	Benzene	C ₁₆ H ₁₆ N ₈ O ₃	52.17	52.20	4.34	4.36	30.43	30.40

Table 2: Cardiovascular activity of 2-amino-5-[3'-amino-2'-methylmono/dihalosubstituted quinazolin-4'(3H)-onomethylene]-1,3,4-oxadiazoles

S. No.	X	Dose mg/kg i.v.	Change in mean blood pressure mmHg			Duration in Mean±SE	Change in resting	Effect on Pressor ALD ₅₀ · mg/kg p.o Responses		
			Control Mean±SE	Immediate Mean±SE	Delayed Mean±SE			CO	HR bpm	NA
IVa	6-I	2.5	132.4±9.20	-	117±9.84*	15.8±1.30	-	-	-	>800
IVb	6-8-Br ₂	2.5	135±12.56	-	104.6±11.61**	10.2±1.48	-	-	-	>800
IVc	6-Br	2.5	135.6±9.93	124.8±8.78	106.2±12.77**	22.6±3.67	-	-	-	>800
IVd	H	2.5	132±8.86	103±6.85***	112.2±9.56**	19.6±1.67	-	-	-	>800

*p>0.05;

**p<0.01;

***p<0.001

Table 3: Cardiovascular activity of 2-(aminochloroacetyl)-5-[31-amino-21-methyl-mono/dihalosubstitutedquinazolin-41(31H)]-1,3,4-oxadiazoles

S. No.	X	Dose mg/kg i.v.	Change in mean blood pressure mmHg			Duration in Mean±SE	Change in resting	Effect on Pressor ALD ₅₀ · mg/kg p.o Responses		
			Control Mean±SE	Immediate Mean±SE	Delayed Mean±SE			CO	HR bpm	NA
Va	6-I	5	141±13.87	121.2±13.40*	122.4±11.01**	24.2±2.94**	-	-	-	>800
Vb	6-8-Br ₂	5	139±11.93	110.6±12.56***	120.6±10.66*	19±2.23	-	-	-	>800
Vc	6-Br	5	141.8±8.95	73±7.68***	111.4±7.60***	20.5±2.28	-	-	-	>800
Vd	H	5	139.8±8.43	99.8±9.98***	130.8±11.25	33.2±2.17	-	-	-	>800

*p>0.05;

**p<0.01;

***p<0.001

Table 4: Cardiovascular activity of 2-(2"-carbonyl-5"- [3'-amino-2'- methylimono/ dihalosubstitutedquinazolin-4'(3H)- onomethylene]-1",3",4"-oxadiazol- 2"-y)}-4,5- dihydroimidazolines

S. No.	X	Dose mg/kg i.v.	Change in mean blood pressure mmHg			Duration in Mean±SE	Change in resting	Effect on Pressor			ALD ₅₀ · mg/kg p.o Responses
			Control Mean±SE	Immediate Mean±SE	Delayed Mean±SE			HR bpm	CO	NA	
Vla	6-1	5	134±7.71	103.6±7.56***	120.2±8.31**	35.4±3.84	Inhibited	Potentiated	—	—	>800
Vlb	6-8-Br ₂	5	137±10.36	126.4±9.32	77±9.00***	29.4±2.40	—	Inhibited	—	—	>800
Vlc	6-Br	1.25	138.4±8.96	98.8±9.90***	119.2±8.41**	35±4.12	Potentiated (1-2 bpm)	Inhibited	—	—	>1600
		2.5	134±8.21	74±6.81***	94±9.86***	47±4.69	Potentiated (2-3 bpm)	Inhibited	—	—	>1600
		5.0	140±13.69	51.6±12.16***	80.8±12.87***	77.4±3.97	Potentiated (3-4 bpm)	Inhibited	—	—	>1600
Vld	H	2.5	136.6±10.23	86.6±10.56***	105.8±11.61***	30.6±1.94	—	Inhibited	Inhibited	Inhibited	>800

*p > 0.05;

**p < 0.01;

*** p < 0.001

immediate fall in blood pressure (60 mmHg), followed by gradual fall in blood pressure (40 mmHg) at a dose of 2.5 mg/kg i.v. The hypotensive activity of this compound lasted for about 50 minutes. As this compound (compound VIc) exhibited the promising activity at a dose of 2.5 mg/kg i.v., it was therefore thought worthwhile to study this compound at three graded doses (1.25, 2.5 and 5.0 mg/kg i.v.). Interestingly this compound was associated with either inhibition or blockade of CO without affecting the NA response, which might be suggestive of central site of action of this compound. However, compound VIc has shown tachycardia (increase in heart rate) 1-2 beats per minutes, 2-3 beats per minutes and 3-4 beats per minutes at a dose of 1.25, 2.5 and 5.0 mg/kg i.v. respectively. The results of the cardiovascular activity are mentioned in table (4). Compound VIId has also exhibited a potent hypotensive fall of 50 mmHg. The hypotensive activity of this compound lasted for 30 minutes with inhibition of both CO and NA. Such cardiovascular profile is suggestive of peripheral site of action of this compound. Compound VIa exhibited an immediate fall of blood pressure 40 mmHg followed by a delayed fall of 30 mmHg. The hypotensive activity of compound VIa was lasted for 35 minutes with potentiation of CO without affecting the NA response, which might be suggestive of central site of action of this compound.

DISCUSSION

It is interesting to point out that compounds of third stage have shown different pharmacological profile (clonidine like centrally acting as compound VIa, VIb & VIc, secondly a purely peripheral adrenergic blocking type as compound VIId. Furthermore, all the compounds i.e. VIa-IVd of stage third exhibited the more potent antihypertensive activity than their parent compounds (IVa-IVd and Va-Vd). On the contrary, all the compounds of stage first (IVa-IVd) and stage second (Va-Vd) did not affect the CO and NA responses and had short duration of action. They appear to be acting directly on the smooth muscles of the blood vessels (direct vasodilators). Moreover, it is also evident from the results that presence of imidazoline ring with oxadiazolyl and quinazolinonyl moieties is beneficial for cardiovascular activity. Moreover, the cyclisation of compound Va-Vd to VIa-IVd i.e. imidazolines increases the cardiovascular activity in terms of magnitude as well as duration.

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