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Uses of Anthranilic Acid for the Synthesis of Dihydroquinazolin Derivatives with Antitumor, Antiproliferative and Pim-1 kinase Activities

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Abstract

The reaction of anthranilic acid with ethoxycarbonylisothiocyanate gave the ethyl 4-oxo-2-thioxo-1,2-dihydroquina-zoline-3(4*H*)-carboxylate (4). The reaction of compound 4 with hydrazine hydrate and α-halocarbonyl derivatives was found to give either hydrazono or *S*-alkylated products. Heterocyclization reactions of some of the *S*-alkylated derivatives 8 and 12 were carried out to afford thiazole, pyran and pyridine derivatives. The cytotoxicity of the newly synthesized compounds towards the six cancer cell lines NUGC, DLD-1, HA22T, HEPG-2, HONE-1 and MCF-7 showed that compounds 6, 8, 13, 19c-f, 21b-f, 24a and 24c with the highest cytotoxicity. The c-Met kinase inhibition for some of the selected compounds showed that compounds 8, 13, 19d, 21e, 21f and 24a were the most active compounds. Screening toward tyrosine kinases revealed that compounds 13, 21e and 24a exhibit the highest inhibitions and therefore their molecular modeling was described. In addition, compounds 13 and 24a showed the highest activities towards Pim-1 kinase.

Keywords: Dihydroquinazolin; thiophene; thiazole; pyran; pyridine; cytotoxicity

1. Introduction

2-Thioxoquinazolin-4(1H)-ones are important heterocyclic compounds that are widely present in natural products as well as medicinal, and pharmacological compounds. In addition, several thioxoquinazolin analogues have been developed as antitumor, antibiotic, antidefibrillator and antipyretic agents (Fig. 1). Furthermore, they display a broad range of applications against diabetes,² cancer,3 and as selective plant grow regulators.4,5 Given the importance of these nitrogen heterocyclic compounds, the development of mild, high-yielding and clean synthesis of these important compounds is a daunting challenge and has been extensively investigated and described in the literature.6-12 The classical methods for the synthesis of quinazolinedione ring system are the reaction of anthranilic acid and its derivatives with isothiocyanates or their equivalents. 13-27 Recently, our research group was involved in the synthesis and determination of the anti-proliferative and anti-inflammatory activity of a large number of heterocyclic compounds.^{28,29} In the continuation of this program, in this context, we aimed to develop an efficient and facile approach to synthesize and measure the cytotoxicity of a series of thioxoquinazolin-4(1H)-ones from anthranilic acid and ethoxycarbonylisothiocyanate.

2. Results and Discussion

Quinazoline derivatives showed a wide range spectrum of biological applications, especially in the field of anti-cancer therapy³⁰ which encouraged us to direct our work towards their synthesis. Thus, in the present work we aimed to synthesis a series of heterocyclic compounds derived from dihydroquinazoline derivative. The reaction of anthranilic acid (1) with ethoxycarbonylisothiocyanate (2) in 1,4-dioxane gave the ethyl 4-oxo-2-thioxo-1,2-dihydroquinazoline-3(4H)-carboxylate (4). The formation of the latter product took place through intermediate formation of the thiourea derivative followed by cyclization. Compound 4 was used for the synthesis of different heterocyclic compounds through its reaction with various chemi-

Fig. 1. Selected examples of quinazolin analogues with pharmacological activities

cal reagents. Thus, the reaction of compound 4 with hydrazine hydrate (5) gave the hydrazone derivative 6. Compound 4 was capable to form thioether derivatives through its reaction with α -halocarbonyl compounds. Thus, the reaction of compound 4 with any of the following: ethyl chloroacetate (7), chloroacetone (9) or 2-bromo-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethanone (11), gave the thioether derivatives 8, 10 and 12, respectively (Scheme 1). The structures of compounds 8, 10 and 12 were established on the basis of their analytical and spectral data. Thus, the ¹H NMR spectrum of compound **12** (as an example) showed the presence of a triplet at δ 1.13 and a quartet at δ 4.22 ppm showing the presence of an ester CH₃ and CH₂, respectively, a singlet at δ 3.73 ppm showing the OCH₃ group, a singlet at δ 5.49 ppm for the CH₂ group and a multiplet at δ 7.23–7.42 ppm for the two C₆H₄ groups. In addition, the ¹³C NMR spectrum showed signals at δ 16.4 (ester CH₃), 37.5 (CH₂), 53.4 (ester CH₂), 55.2 (OCH₃), 119.2, 120.8, 122.3, 124.4, 124.9, 126.2, 126.8, 127.8, 128.4, 129.1 indicating the presence of two C_6H_4 groups and three signals at δ 163.2, 164.4, 165.8 confirming the three CO groups.

The reaction of compound 8 with hydrazine hydrate (5) gave the hydrazino derivative 13. On the other hand, the reaction of compound 8 with either of malononitrile (14a) or ethyl cyanoacetate (14b) gave the dihydro[1,3,4] thiadiazino[3,2-a]quinazolin-6(1H)-one derivatives 16a and 16b, respectively (Scheme 2). Formation of compounds 16a and 16b took place through the intermediate formation of 15a,b followed by cyclization. The structures of compounds 16a and 16b were confirmed on the basis of analytical and spectral data. Thus, the ¹H NMR spectrum of 16a showed, besides the expected signals, two triplets at δ 1.12, 1.15 and two signals at δ 4.16, 4.20 ppm indicating the presence of two ester CH₃ and CH₂ groups, respectively, a singlet at δ 6.01 ppm belonging to the pyrimidine H-2 and a singlet at δ 8.28 ppm for the NH group. In addition its 13 C NMR spectrum showed two signals at δ 16.3, 16.5

Scheme 1: Synthesis of compounds 4, 6, 8, 10 and 12.

for the two ester CH_3 groups and two quartets at δ 52.1, 53.8 for the two ester CH_2 groups as well as three signals at δ 163.8, 164.4, 165.2 belonging to the three CO groups.

In continuation of our recent interest to conduct multi-component reactions using aromatic aldehydes and cyanomethylene reagents^{31–33} we studied the multi-component reactions of compound **12**. Thus, the multi-component reaction of compound **12** with any of the aromatic

Scheme 2: Synthesis of compounds 13 and 16a,b.

Scheme 3: Synthesis of compounds 19a-f.

ОН

OCH3

aldehydes namely, benzaldehyde (17a), 4-chlorobenzaldehyde (17b) or 4-methoxybenzaldehyde (17c) and either of malononitrile (14a) or ethyl cyanoacetate (14b) in 1,4-dioxane containing triethylamine gave the pyran derivatives 19a-f, respectively through the intermediate formation of 18a-f. The characterization of the compounds 19a-f

(Scheme 3) is based on their respective analytical and spectral data (see Experimental section).

On the other hand, the multi-component reaction of compound 12 with any of benzaldehyde (17a), 4-chlorobenzaldehyde (17b) or 4-methoxybenzaldehyde (17c) and either of malononitrile (14a) or ethyl cyanoacetate (14b) in 1,4-dioxane containing ammonium acetate gave the pyridine derivatives 21a-f, respectively (Scheme 4). Formation of the latter products took place through the intermediate formation of 20a-f.

Recently, our research group was involved in a comprehensive program involving the reactions of active methylene reagents with phenylisothiocyanate in basic dimethylformamide solutions, followed by heterocyclization with α -halocarbonyl compounds. ^{34–36} Products of the re-

Scheme 4: Synthesis of compounds 21a-f.

actions were either thiophene or thiazole derivatives or a mixture of both depending on the reaction conditions and the nature of the α -halocarbonyl compound. In continuation of this program we carried out the reaction of compound 8 with phenylisothiocyanate (22) in dimethylformamide containing potassium hydroxide to give the intermediate potassium salt 23. The reaction of the intermediate 23 with any of ethyl chloroacetate (7), chloroacetone (9) or 2-bromo-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethanone (11) afforded the thiazole derivatives 24a-c, respectively (Scheme 5). All synthesized compounds were obtained in good yields and their cytotoxicity against cancer cell lines was measured.

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PhNCS

SCH₂COOC₂H₅

PhNCS

DMF

COOC₂H₅

PhNNCS

$$KOH$$

DMF

COOC₂H₅

PhNNCS

 KOH
 $COOC_2H_5$

PhNNCS

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7, X = Cl, R = OC₂H₅

9, X = Cl, R = CH₃

11, X = Br, R = 4-OCH₃-C₆H₄

24a, Y = OH

b, Y = CH₃

c, y = 4-CH₃O-C₆H₄

Scheme 5: Synthesis of compounds 24a-c.

2. 1. Biological Evaluation

2. 1. 1. In vitro Cytotoxic Assay

Chemicals

Fetal bovine serum (FBS) and L-glutamine were purchased from Gibco Invitrogen Co. (Scotland, UK). RPMI-1640 medium was purchased from Cambrex (New Jersey, USA). Dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO), foretinib, penicillin, streptomycin and sulforhodamine B (SRB) were purchased from Sigma Chemical Co. (Saint Louis, USA).

Cell Cultures

Were obtained from the European Collection of Cell Cultures (ECACC, Salisbury, UK) and human gastric cancer (NUGC), human colon cancer (DLD1), human liver cancer (HA22T and HEPG2), human breast cancer (MCF-7), nasopharyngeal carcinoma (HONE1) and normal fibroblast cells (WI38) were kindly provided by the National Cancer Institute (NCI, Cairo, Egypt). They grow as a monolayer and were routinely maintained in RPMI-1640 medium supplemented with 5% heat inactivated FBS, 2 µM glutamine and antibiotics (penicillin 100 U/mL, streptomycin 100 μg/mL), at 37 °C in a humidified atmosphere containing 5% CO₂. Exponentially growing cells were obtained by plating 1.5×10^5 cells/mL for the six human cancer cell lines including cells derived from 0.75×10^4 cells/mL followed by 24 h of incubation. The effect of the vehicle solvent (DMSO) on the growth of these cell lines was evaluated in all the experiments by exposing untreated control cells to the maximum concentration (0.5%) of DMSO used in each assay.

The heterocyclic compounds, prepared in this study, were evaluated according to standard protocols for their *in vitro* cytotoxicity against six human cancer cell lines, including cells derived from human gastric cancer (NUGC), human colon cancer (DLD1), human liver cancer (HA22T and HEPG2), human breast cancer (MCF), nasopharynge-

al carcinoma (HONE1) and a normal fibroblast cells (WI38). All of $\rm IC_{50}$ values are listed in Table 1. Some heterocyclic compounds were observed to display significant cytotoxicity against most of the cancer cell lines tested ($\rm IC_{50}=10{\text -}1000$ nM). Normal fibroblasts cells (WI38) were affected to a much lesser extent ($\rm IC_{50}>10{,}000$ nM). The reference compound used was the foretinib anti-tumor agent.

2. 1. 2. Structure Activity Relationship

It is clear from Table 1 that most of the tested compounds showed cytotoxicity against the selected cancer cell lines. Compound 4 showed high cytotoxicity against HEPG-2 and MCF-7 cell lines with IC₅₀ values of 683 and 460 nM, respectively. The reaction of compound 4 with hydrazine hydrate gave the hydrazone derivative 6 which showed high potency against the six cancer cell lines, this was attributed to the high nitrogen content in this compound. It is worthy to note that compound 6 showed higher cytotoxicity than foretinib against DLD-1 and HEPG-2 cell lines with IC₅₀ values of 69 and 125 nM, respectively. On the other hand, the reaction of compound 4 with ethyl α-chloroacetate gave the thioether derivative 8 with high cytotoxicity against the six cancer cell lines but its potency is a little bit less than that of compound 6. It is obvious that compound 8 showed higher cytotoxicity than foretinib against DLD-1 and HEPG-2 cell lines with IC50 values of 230 and 64 nM, respectively. On the other hand, the thioether 10 showed high potency against HONE-1 and MCF-7 cell lines but compound 12 showed low potency against the six cancer cell lines. The reaction of compound 8 with hydrazine hydrate gave the hydrazino derivative 13 with a high nitrogen content, showing relatively high potency against the six cancer cell lines. On the other hand, the dihydro-[1,3,4]thiadiazino[3,2-a]quinazoline deriva-

Table 1: Cytotoxicity of the newly synthesized products against a variety of cancer cell lines [IC₅₀^a (nM)]

Compound No.							
	NUGCb	DLD-1 ^b	HA22T ^b	HEPG-2 ^b	HONE-1b	MCF-7 ^b	WI-38b
4	1250	1280	1088	683	1159	460	NA
6	75	69	59	125	312	189	NA
8	137	230	219	64	312	109	NA
10	1089	1694	1741	2493	253	290	NA
12	1224	1476	2251	1122	1373	1229	NA
13	430	784	352	280	1879	128	NA
16a	1466	2369	1763	2461	2749	1863	NA
16b	2557	2590	2430	1461	2893	1279	NA
19a	2539	3167	2577	2690	1993	3289	NA
19b	1368	1273	1549	1366	2165	2540	NA
19c	65	530	250	149	259	426	NA
19d	159	250	59	114	189	550	NA
19e	30	62	74	39	1330	88	NA
19f	1089	1146	89	122	320	422	320
21a	2166	2253	1259	2769	2429	2760	NA
21b	88	79	194	520	287	1221	NA
21c	1243	138	229	1821	128	220	NA
21d	480	679	1293	580	744	124	NA
21e	129	226	183	480	136	229	NA
21f	55	79	134	109	85	93	NA
24a	380	219	179	229	312	59	NA
24b	2848	2218	2214	2373	1072	1238	NA
24c	93	68	169	421	629	229	NA
Foretinib	23	258	48	240	35	35	NA

^a Drug concentration required to inhibit tumor cell proliferation by 50% after continuous exposure of 48 h. ^b NUGC, gastric cancer; DLD-1, colon cancer; HA22T, liver cancer; HEPG-2, liver cancer; HONE-1, nasopharyngeal carcinoma; MCF-7, breast cancer; WI-38, normal fibroblast cells. NA: Not Active.

tives 16a,b showed low potency. The multi-component reactions of compound 12 with any of the aromatic aldehydes 17a-c and either of malononitrile or ethyl cyanoacetate gave the pyran derivatives 19a-f. Compounds 19c (X = Cl, $Y = NH_2$), **19d** (X = Cl, Y = OH) and **19e** (X = OCH₃, Y = NH₂) showed the highest cytotoxicity among this series of compounds. On the other hand, the pyridine derivatives 21a-f where the four compounds 21b (X = H, Y = OH), **21d** (X = Cl, Y = OH), **21e** (X = OCH₃, Y = NH₂) and **21f** $(X = OCH_3, Y = OH)$ showed the highest potency. Compound 21f showed cyctotoxicity higher than foretinib gainst the DLD-1cell line with IC₅₀ 79 nM. Considering the thiazole derivatives 24a-c, it is obvious that compounds 24a (Y = OH) and 24c (Y = 4-OCH₃-phenyl) showed higher potency than 24b ($Y = CH_3$). It is clear that throughout the synthesized compounds the presence of the electronegative groups, like the Cl and OH groups, or the electron-rich NH₂ groups enhance the potency of the compound.

2. 1. 3. Cell Proliferation Assay

The anti-proliferative activity of compounds 6, 8, 13, 19c, 19d, 19e, 21b, 21d, 21e, 21f, 24a and 24c was evaluated (Table 2) against the five c-Met-dependent cancer cell lines (A549, HT-29, MKN-45, U87MG, and SMMC-7721)

and one c-Met-independent cancer cell line (H460) using the standard MTT assay in vitro, with foretinib as the positive control. 37,38 The cancer cell lines were cultured in the minimum essential medium (MEM) supplemented with 10% fetal bovine serum (FBS). Approximate 4×10^3 cells, suspended in MEM medium, were plated onto each well of a 96-well plate and incubated in 5% CO_2 at 37 °C for 24 h. The compounds tested at the indicated final concentrations were added to the culture medium and the cell cultures were continued for 72 h. Fresh MTT was added to each well at a terminal concentration of 5 mg/mL, and incubated with cells at 37 °C for 4 h. The formazan crystals were dissolved in 100 μL of DMSO for each well, and the absorbance at 492 nM (for absorbance of MTT formazan) and 630 nM (for the reference wavelength) was measured with an ELISA reader. All of the compounds were tested three times in each cell line. The results expressed as IC₅₀ (inhibitory concentration 50%) are the averages of three determinations and were calculated by using the Bacus Laboratories Incorporated Slide Scanner (Bliss) software.

2. 1. 4. In vitro Cell Assays

The antitumor evaluations³⁹ of the synthesized compounds were measured against A549 (non-small cell lung

Table 2. In vitro growth inhibitory effects $IC_{50} \pm SEM$ (μM) of the most potent compounds

Compound			IC ₅₀ ± SI	$IC_{50} \pm SEM (\mu M)$		
No	A549	H460	HT29	MKN-45	U87MG	SMMC-7721
6	1.28± 0.67	1.58 ± 0.65	0.65 ± 0.32	1.58± 0.49	0.39 ± 0.18	0.29± 0.19
8	1.02 ± 0.80	1.27 ± 0.69	1.28 ± 0.79	1.04 ± 0.48	1.49 ± 0.72	1.26 ± 0.73
13	0.09 ± 0.06	0.06 ± 0.01	0.04 ± 0.06	0.83 ± 0.26	0.69 ± 0.32	0.73 ± 0.25
19c	0.77 ± 0.34	0.28 ± 0.06	0.93 ± 0.24	0.72 ± 0.14	0.48 ± 0.13	0.93 ± 0.18
19d	1.02 ± 0.36	1.18 ± 0.42	0.93 ± 0.26	0.63 ± 0.14	1.63 ± 0.87	0.32 ± 0.16
19e	0.63 ± 0.28	0.36 ± 0.25	0.03 ± 0.53	0.28 ± 0.11	0.26 ± 0.07	0.80 ± 0.24
21b	3.26 ± 1.72	3.59 ± 1.30	1.42 ± 0.80	2.83 ± 0.46	1.74 ± 0.79	1.40 ± 0.73
21d	0.87 ± 0.22	0.69 ± 0.21	0.59 ± 0.11	0.69 ± 0.21	0.70 ± 0.12	0.83 ± 0.24
21e	0.18 ± 0.02	0.25 ± 0.09	0.36 ± 0.09	0.16 ± 0.07	0.42 ± 0.16	0.55 ± 0.19
21f	2.31 ± 0.69	2.49 ± 0.80	1.43 ± 0.79	1.08 ± 0.75	2.39 ± 0.93	1.38 ± 0.91
24a	1.02 ± 0.53	1.08 ± 0.55	2.39 ± 0.88	1.48 ± 0.93	0.95 ± 0.29	1.63 ± 0.82
24c	0.19 ± 0.01	0.28 ± 0.07	0.80 ± 0.09	0.57 ± 0.08	0.93 ± 0.27	0.75 ± 0.16
Foretinib	0.08 ± 0.01	0.18 ± 0.03	0.15 ± 0.023	0.03 ± 0.0055	0.90 ± 0.13	0.44 ± 0.062

cancer), H460 (human lung cancer), HT-29 (human colon cancer) and MKN-45 (human gastric cancer), U87MG (human glioblastoma) and SMMC-7721 (human liver cancer) cancer cell lines. Foretinib was used as the positive control by a MTT assay. The results are expressed as IC₅₀ after three different experiments were summarized and are shown in Table 2. The data listed in Table 2 reveal that the compounds possess moderate to strong cytotoxicity against the six tested cell lines in the single-digit µ M range, and high selectivity for inhibition of A549, H460 and MKN-45 cells. The promising compounds were 13, 19c, **19e**, **21d**, **21e** and **24c**, these were the most active with IC_{50} values of 0.09 and 0.93 µM, respectively. Moreover, compound 13 showed potency higher that foretinib towards H460 with IC₅₀ 0.06 μM. Compounds 6, 13, 19e, 21d, 21e showed activities toward U87MG cell line higher that foretinib with IC₅₀ values of 0.39, 0.69, 0.26, 0.70 and 0.42 μM, respectively. It is of great value to note that compound **6** showed higher potency than foretinib with IC₅₀ 0.29 μ M against SMMC-7721.

2. 1. 5. HTRF Kinase Assay

The c-Met kinase activities (Table 3) of the most potent compounds **6**, **8**, **13**, **19c**, **19d**, **19e**, **21b**, **21d**, **21e**, **21f**, **24a** and **24c** were measured using homogeneous time-resolved fluorescence (HTRF) assay as previously reported. In addition, the most potent compounds toward c-Met kinase were further evaluated against other five tyrosine kinases (c-Kit, Flt-3, VEGFR-2, EGFR, and PDG-FR) using the same method (Table 4). Briefly, 20 mg/mL poly (Glu, Tyr) 4:1 (Sigma) was used as a substrate in 384-well plates. Then, 50 μ L of 10 mMATP (Invitrogen) solution diluted in kinase reaction buffer (50 mM HEPES, Ph 7.0, 1 M DTT, 1 M MgCl₂, 1 M MnCl₂, and 0.1% NaN₃) was added to each well. Various concentrations of the tested compounds diluted in 10 μ L of 1% DMSO (v/v) were used as the negative control. The kinase reaction was start-

ed by the addition of the purified tyrosine kinase proteins diluted in 39 μL of kinase reaction buffer solution. The incubation times for the reactions were 30 min at 25 °C and were ceased by the addition of 5 μL of Streptavidin-XL665 and 5 μL Tk Antibody Cryptate working solution added to all of wells. The plates were read using Envision (Perkin-Elmer) at 320 and 615 nM. The inhibition rate (%) was calculated using the mathematical equation: % inhibition = 100 – [(Activity of enzyme with tested compounds – Min)/(Max – Min)] × 100 (Max: the observed enzyme activity measured in the presence of enzyme, substrates, and cofactors; Min: the observed enzyme activity in the presence of substrates, cofactors and in the absence of enzyme). IC $_{50}$ values were calculated using the inhibition curves.

According to Table 3 it is clear that compounds **8**, **13**, **19d**, **21e**, **21f** and **24a** were the most active compounds towards c-Met kinase. Moreover, compounds **13**, **19d** and **24a** showed activity towards c-Met enzymatic activity higher than that of foretinib.

Table 3. c-Met enzymatic activity and line of the most potent compounds

Compoun No	d X	Y	IC ₅₀ (nM) c-Met
6	_	-	10.22 ± 2.38
8	_	_	1.34 ± 0.81
13	-	_	0.06 ± 0.001
19c	Cl	NH_2	2.26 ± 0.80
19d	Cl	OH	0.83 ± 0.19
21b	Н	OH	4.30±1.89
21d	Cl	OH	12.28 ± 2.69
21e	OCH_3	NH_2	1.27 ± 0.98
21f	OCH_3	OH	1.40 ± 0.51
24a	-	OH	0.79 ± 0.09
24c	_	4-OCH ₃ -C ₆ H ₄	8.50 ± 2.19
Foretinib	-	-	1.16 ± 0.17

2. 1. 6. Inhibitory Effects of the Most Active Compounds Towards Tyrosine Kinases

The most potent compounds 8, 13, 19d, 21e, 21f and 24a towards c-Met enzymatic activity of the five tyrosine kinases (c-Kit, Flt-3, VEGFR-2, EGFR, and PDGFR) were determined using the same method described for c-Meth enzymatic activity and the data are shown in Table 4. Here foretinib was also used as the reference drug. It is clear from Table 4 that compounds 13, 21e and 24a showed the highest inhibitory effect towards the five tyrosine kinases.

Table 4. inhibitory effect of compounds 8, 13, 19d, 21e, 21f and 24a towards tyrosine kinases [Enzyme IC_{50} (nM)]

Compound	c-Kit	Flt-3	VEGFR-2	EGFR	PDGFR
8	9.26	8.18	7.66	4.50	6.85
13	1.32	2.59	1.08	1.26	0.99
19d	10.39	8.68	9.09	6.49	7.30
21e	0.42	0.76	0.69	0.74	0.25
21f	8.57	8.55	10.39	8.48	10.99
24a	0.82	2.80	0.79	1.59	1.33
Foretinib	0.19	0.17	0.20	0.13	0.26

2. 1. 7. Pim-1 Kinase Inhibition of Compounds 13, 21e and 24a

Compounds 13, 21e and 24a were selected to examine their Pim-1 kinase inhibition activity 42 at a range of 10 concentrations and the IC $_{50}$ values were calculated. Our slection for 13, 21e and 24a was based on their relative activity towards c-Met kinase, together with their inhibition towards tyrosine kinases; the more potent to inhibit Pim-1 activity were 13 and 24a with IC $_{50}$ value of 0.36 and 0.28

 μ M, while **21e** was less effective (IC₅₀ > 10 μ M). SGI-1776 was used as the positive control with IC₅₀ 0.048 μ M in the assay. These profiles in combination with cell growth inhibition data of compounds **13**, **21e** and **24a** are listed in Table 5 and indicate that Pim-1 is a potential target of these compounds.

Table 5. The inhibitor activity of compounds 13, 21e and 24a on Pim-1 Kinase.

Compound	Inhibition ratio At 10 μM	$IC_{50}(\mu M)$	
13	86	0.36	
21e	34	> 10	
24a	95	0.28	
SGI-1776	_	0.048	

Experimental Protocol of Docking Study

All the molecular modeling studies were carried out on an Intel Pentium 2.3 GHz processor, 8 GB memory with Windows 7 operating system using Molecular Operating Environment (MOE, 10.2008; Chemical Computing Group, Canada) software. The X-ray crystallographic structure of c-Met kinase enzyme with its co-crystallized ligand XL880 (Foretinib) in the file (PDB ID: 3LQ8) was obtained from RCSB Protein Data Bank with a 2.02 Å resolution. All water of crystallization was deleted from the active site except the one involved in interactions with the ligand. Hydrogens and partial charges were added to the system using protonate 3D application. Isolation of the active site, recognition of the amino acids and the backbone was hidden. The docking algorithm was validated via docking of the native ligand (Foretinib) into its c-Met kinase active site where the docking procedure was able to

Table 6. Docking study data showing amino acid interactions and the hydrogen bond lengths of target compounds and foretinib on c-Met kinase enzyme.

Compound number	Number of H-bonds	Number of π - π interactions with Phe ¹²²³	Atoms of compound forming H-bond	Amino acid residues forming H-bonds (H-bond length in Å)	Binding energy score (kcal/mol)
Ligand (Foretinib)	2	1	Quinazoline N (H-acceptor) CO (H-acceptor)	Met ¹¹⁶⁰ (3.05) Lys ¹¹¹⁰ (2.89)	-16.37
13	3	-	Quinazoline N (H-acceptor) NH <u>NH₂</u> (H-acceptor) CONH <u>NH₂</u> (H-acceptor)	Asp ¹²²² (3.03) Asp ¹²²² (2.98) Lys ¹¹¹⁰ (2.75)	-11.45
21e	3	-	NH ₂ (H-donor) OCH ₃ (H-acceptor) OCH ₃ (H-acceptor)	Asp ¹¹⁶⁴ (1.46) Asn ¹¹⁷¹ (2.94) His ¹⁰⁹⁴ (2.86)	-7.83
24a	2	-	OH (H-donor) OH (H-acceptor)	Asp ¹¹⁶⁴ (1.23) Asn1171 (2.66)	-11.58

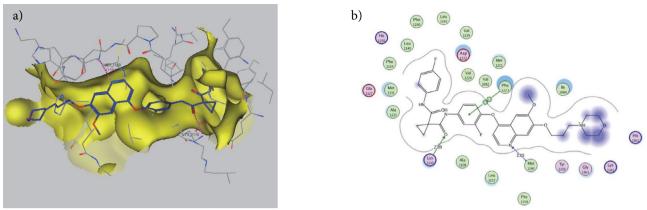


Figure 2. Interactions of XL880 (foretinib) with the amino acid residues of the active site of c-Met 3D(a) and 2D(b)

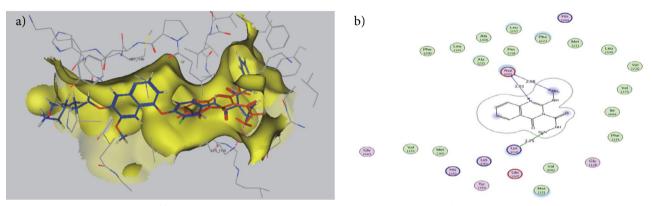


Figure 3. (a) The superposition of foretinib (blue) and compound 13 (red) docked in the binding site of c-Met, the dotted lines represent H-bonding interactions; (b) 2D ligand interaction of 13 in binding site of c-Met.

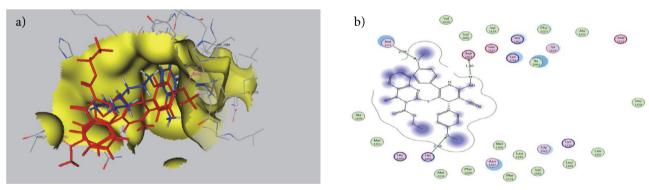


Figure 4. (a) The superposition of foretinib (blue) and compound **21e** (red) docked in the binding site of c-Met, the dotted lines represent H-bonding interactions; (b) 2D ligand interaction of **21e** in binding site of c-Met.

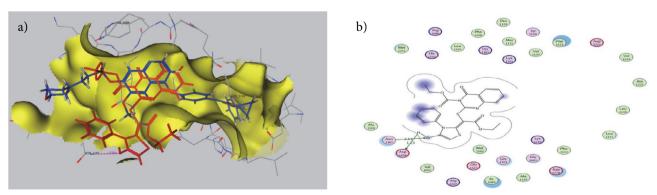


Figure 5. (a) The superposition of foretinib (blue) and compound 24a (red) docked in the binding site of c-Met, the dotted lines represent H-bonding interactions; (b) 2D ligand interaction of 24a in binding site of c-Met.

retrieve the co-crystallized pose with RMSD value of 0.55 Å. The three-dimensional structures of the most active compounds 13, 21e & 24a were built using MOE molecular builder, then their energy was minimized by Merk Molecular Force Field (MMFF94x). Hydrogens and partial charges were added to the system using protonate 3D application.

Docking Results

For each docked compound, only one pose was selected based on number of binding interactions, superposition with the original ligand, docking score and the formed H-bonds were measured. The docking results obtained from the docking study are summarized in Table 6.

Discussion of Molecular Modeling

The X-ray crystallographic structure of XL880 (foretinib) in complex with c-Met kinase shows that the inhibitor forms two hydrogen bonds between quinoline N and Met¹¹⁶⁰, CO of malonamide moiety and Lys¹¹¹⁰. Phe¹²²³ of the activation loop has relocated from the position in the active conformation to stack underneath the fluorophenyl ring (π - π interaction), placing the kinase in a pseudo-unactivated conformation⁴³ (Fig. 2). Compounds 13, 21e and 24a showed good fitting to the active binding site of c-Met kinase by interaction with Asp¹²²², Lys¹¹¹⁰, Asp¹¹⁶⁴, Asn¹¹⁷¹ and His¹⁰⁹⁴ amino acid residues (Fig. 3–5).

3. Experimental

3. 1. General

All melting points were determined on an electrothermal apparatus (Büchi 535, Switzerland) in an open capillary tube and are uncorrected. ^{13}C NMR and ^{1}H NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker DPX200 instrument in DMSO with TMS as internal standard for proton spectra and solvent signals as internal standard for carbon spectra. Chemical shift values are given in δ (ppm). Mass spectra were recorded on EIMS (Shimadzu) and ESI-esquire 3000 Bruker Daltonics instrument. Elemental analyses were carried out by the Microanalytical Data Unit at Cairo University. The progress of all reactions was monitored by TLC on 2×5 cm pre-coated silica gel 60 F254 plates of thickness of 0.25 mm (Merck).

3. 1. 1. Ethyl 4-oxo-2-thioxo-1,2-dihydroquinazoline-3(4*H*)-carboxylate (4)

To a solution of anthranilic acid (1.37 g, 0.01 mol) in 1,4-dioxane (40 mL) a solution of ethyl carbonisothiocyanatidate (1.31 g, 0.01 mol) in 1,4-dioxane [prepared by the addition of ammonium thiocyanate (0.76 g, 0.01 mol) to ethyl chloroformate (1.08 g, 0.01 mol) in 1,4-dioxane (20 mL) and heating under reflux for 10 min] was added. The reaction mixture was heated under reflux for 1 h, then

poured onto ice/water and the formed solid product was collected by filtration.

Yellow crystals from ethanol; m.p. 210–212 °C; IR (KBr) vmax 3480–3345 (NH), 3054 (CH aromatic), 2987, 2880 (CH₃, CH₂), 1688, 1682 (2CO), 1631 (C=C), 1205 (C=S) cm⁻¹; 1 H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.13 (t, 3H, J = 5.82 Hz, CH₃), 4.19 (q, 2H, J = 5.85, CH₂), 7.29–7.38 (m, 4H, C₆H₄), 8.34 (s, 1H, D₂O exchangeable, NH); 13 C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 16.2 (OCH₂CH₃), 53.8 (OCH₂CH₃), 119.4, 122.3, 125.4, 126.3, 128.4, 130.3 (C₆H₄), 164.2, 164.8 (2CO), 179.4 (C=S); Anal. Calcd. for C₁₁H₁₀N₂O₃S (250.27): C, 52.79; H, 4.03; N, 11.19; S, 12.81. Found: C, 52.83; H, 3.86; N, 11.37; S, 13.05; EI-MS (m/z, %): 250 [M⁺, 42].

3. 1. 2. Ethyl 2-hydrazono-4-oxo-1,2-dihydroquinazoline-3(4*H*)-carboxylate (6)

To a solution of compound 4 (2.50 g, 0.01 mol) in ethanol (50 mL) hydrazine hydrate (0.50 g, 0.01 mol) was added. The reaction mixture was heated under reflux for 4 h then poured onto ice/water containing a few drops of hydrochloric acid and the formed solid product was collected by filtration.

Yellow crystals from ethanol; m.p. 266–268 °C; IR (KBr) vmax 3469–3339 (NH₂, NH), 3056 (CH aromatic), 2989, 2883 (CH₃, CH₂), 1689, 1684 (2CO), 1655 (C=N), 1630 (C=C) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.14 (t, 3H, J = 7.04 Hz, CH₃), 4.19 (q, 2H, J = 7.04 Hz, CH₂), 4.76 (s, 2H, D₂O exchangeable, NH₂), 7.26–7.37 (m, 4H, C₆H₄), 8.31 (s, 1H, D₂O exchangeable, NH); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 16.1 (OCH₂CH₃), 53.6 (OCH₂CH₃), 120.5, 121.8, 124.8, 125.1, 127.8, 129.1 (C₆H₄), 164.3, 164.7 (2CO), 174.6 (C=N); Anal. Calcd. for C₁₁H₁₂N₄O₃ (248.24): C, 53.22; H, 4.87; N, 22.57. Found: C, 53.41; H, 4.69; N, 22.69; EI-MS (m/z, %): 248 [M⁺, 26].

3. 1. 3. Synthesis of the thioether derivatives 8, 10

To a solution of compound 4 in ethanol (40 mL) any of compounds 7 (1.22 g, 0.01 mol), 9 (0.92 g, 0.01 mol) or 11 (2.29 g, 0.01 mol) was added. The reaction mixture, in each case, was heated under reflux for 3 h then poured into ice/water mixture containing a few drops of sodium hydroxide solution and the formed solid product was collected by filtration.

Ethyl 2-((2-ethoxy-2-oxoethyl)thio)-4-oxoquinazoline-3(4*H*)-carboxylate (8)

Yellow crystals from ethanol; m.p. 168–171 °C; IR (KBr) vmax 3055 (CH aromatic), 2989, 2883 (CH₃, CH₂), 1691, 1686, 1684 (3CO), 1654 (C=N), 1630 (C=C) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.12, 1.14 (2t, 6H, J = 5.93, 6.73 Hz, 2CH₃), 4.16, 4.20 (2q, 4H, J = 5.93, 6.73 Hz, 2CH₂), 5.21 (s, 2H, CH₂), 7.28–7.38 (m, 4H, C_6 H₄); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 16.2, 16.4 (two OCH₂CH₃), 37.5 (CH₂),

53.3, 53.5 (two OCH_2CH_3), 120.8, 122.5, 125.3, 127.5, 127.8, 130.2 (C_6H_4), 164.3, 164.5, 165.0 (3CO), 174.6 (C=N); Anal. Calcd. for $C_{15}H_{16}N_2O_5S$ (336.36): C, 53.56; H, 4.79; N, 8.33; S, 9.53. Found: C, 53.63; H, 4.49; N, 8.40; S, 9.70; EI-MS (m/z, %): 336 [M^+ , 36].

Ethyl 4-oxo-2-((2-oxopropyl)thio)quinazoline-3(4*H*)-carboxylate (10)

Orange crystals from ethanol; m.p. 210–213 °C; IR (KBr) vmax 3055 (CH aromatic), 2986, 2887 (CH₃, CH₂), 1694, 1686, 1682 (3CO), 1655 (C=N), 1631 (C=C) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.13 (t, 3H, J = 7.04 Hz, CH₃), 2.68 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.23 (q, 2H, J = 7.04 Hz, CH₂), 5.38 (s, 2H, CH₂), 7.25–7.35 (m, 4H, C₆H₄); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 16.3 (OCH₂CH₃), 24.8 (CH₃), 37.8 (CH₂), 53.2 (OCH₂CH₃), 120.4, 121.6, 123.4, 125.0, 127.8, 129.1 (C₆H₄), 163.8, 164.2, 165.2 (3CO), 174.8 (C=N); Anal. Calcd. for C₁₄H₁₄N₂O₄S (306.34): C, 54.89; H, 4.61; N, 9.14; S, 10.47. Found: C, 55.17; H, 4.53; N, 9.05; S, 10.66; EI-MS (m/z, %): 306 [M⁺, 28].

Ethyl 2-((2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-oxoethyl)thio)-4-oxoquinazoline-3(4*H*)-carboxylate (12)

Orange crystals from ethanol; m.p. 148–151 °C; IR (KBr) vmax 3056 (CH aromatic), 2983, 2889 (CH₃, CH₂), 1690, 1689, 1682 (3CO), 1653 (C=N), 1630 (C=C) cm⁻¹;

¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.13 (t, 3H, J = 6.99 Hz, CH₃), 3.73 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.22 (q, 2H, J = 6.99 Hz, CH₂), 5.49 (s, 2H, CH₂), 7.23–7.42 (m, 8H, 2C₆H₄); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 16.4 (OCH₂CH₃), 37.5 (CH₂), 53.4 (OCH₂CH₃), 55.2 (OCH₃), 119.2, 120.8, 122.3, 124.4, 124.9, 126.2, 126.8, 127.8, 128.4, 129.1 (2C₆H₄), 163.2, 164.4, 165.8 (3CO), 174.6 (C=N); Anal. Calcd. for C₂₀H₁₈N₂O₅S (398.43): C, 60.29; H, 4.55; N, 7.03; S, 8.05. Found: C, 60.46; H, 4.69; N, 7.27; S, 7.86; EI-MS (m/z, %): 398 [M⁺, 24].

3. 1. 4. 2-Hydrazinyl-4-oxoquinazoline-3(4*H*)-carbohydrazide (13)

To a solution of compound **8** (3.36 g, 0.01 mol) in dimethylformamide (30 mL) hydrazine hydrate (1.0 mL, 0.02 mol) was added. The reaction mixture was heated under reflux for 1 h then poured onto ice/water mixture containing a few drops of hydrochloric acid and the formed solid product was collected by filtration.

White crystals from ethanol; m.p. 233–236 °C; IR (KBr) vmax 3480–3320 (2NH₂, 2NH), 3053 (CH aromatic), 1687, 1683 (2CO), 1656 (C=N), 1632 (C=C) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 4.83, 4.91 (2s, 4H, D₂O exchangeable, 2NH₂), 7.26–7.36 (m, 4H, C₆H₄), 8.21, 8.27 (2s, 2H, D₂O exchangeable, 2NH); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 120.3, 124.4, 127.5, 127.8, 128.0, 129.1 (C₆H₄), 163.0, 164.2 (2CO), 174.4 (C=N); Anal. Calcd. for C₉H₁₀N₆O₂ (234.21): C, 46.15; H, 4.30; N, 35.88. Found: C, 46.28; H, 4.46; N, 35.93; EI-MS (m/z, %): 234 [M⁺, 36].

3. 1. 5. Synthesis of the 4a,5-dihydro-[1,3,4] thiadiazino[3,2-a]quinazolin-6(1*H*)-one derivatives 16a,b

To a solution of compound **8** (3.36 g, 0.01 mol) in dimethylformamide (30 mL) containing triethylamine (1.0 mL) either of malononitrile (0.66 g, 0.01 mol) or ethyl cyanoacetate (1.13 g, 0.01 mol) was added. The reaction mixture was heated under reflux for 2 h then poured onto ice/water mixture containing a few drops of hydrochloric acid and the formed solid product was collected by filtration.

Diethyl 2-(ccyanomethyl)-6-oxo-4a,6-dihydro-[1,3,4] thiadiazino[3,2-*a*]quinazoline-3,5(1*H*)-dicarboxylate (16a)

Pale yellow crystals from 1,4-dioxane; m.p. 184–186 °C; IR (KBr) vmax 3468–3341 (NH), 3056 (CH aromatic), 1689, 1685–1683 (3CO), 2220 (CN), 1653 (C=N), 1630 (C=C) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.12, 1.15 (2t, 6H, J = 6.16, 6.90 Hz, 2 OCH₂CH₃), 4.16, 4.20 (2q, 4H, J = 6.16, 6.90 Hz, 2 OCH₂CH₃), 5.29 (s, 2H, CH₂), 6.01 (s, 1H, pyrimidine H-2), 7.27–7.38 (m, 4H, C₆H₄), 8.28 (s, 1H, D₂O exchangeable, NH); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 16.3, 16.5 (2 OCH₂CH₃), 28.1 (CH₂), 52.1, 53.8 (2 OCH₂CH₃), 92.6 (pyrimidine C-2), 117.8 (CN), 122.4, 124.8, 125.6, 126.3, 128.6, 143.8, (C₆H₄, thiadiazine C-5, C-6), 163.8, 164.4, 165.2 (3CO); Anal. Calcd. for C₁₈H₁₈N₄O₅S (402.42): C, 53.72; H, 4.51; N, 13.92; S, 7.97. Found: C, 53.92; H, 4.61; N, 14.05; S, 8.29; EI-MS (m/z, %): 402 [M⁺, 18].

Diethyl 2-(2-ethoxy-2-oxoethyl)-6-oxo-4a,6-dihydro-[1,3,4]thiadiazino[3,2-a]quin-azoline-3,5(1*H*)-dicarboxylate (16b)

Pale yellow crystals from 1,4-dioxane; m.p. 132–135 °C; IR (KBr) vmax 3468–3341 (NH), 3056 (CH aromatic), 1689–1683 (4CO), 1630 (C=C) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.12–1.15 (3t, 9H, 3 OCH₂CH₃), 4.16–4.20 (3q, 6H, 3 OCH₂CH₃), 5.29 (s, 2H, CH₂), 6.01 (s, 1H, pyrimidine H-2), 7.27–7.38 (m, 4H, C₆H₄), 8.28 (s, 1H, D₂O exchangeable, NH); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 16.3, 16.4, 16.9 (three OCH₂CH₃), 28.1 (CH₂), 52.6, 52.9, 53.8 (three OCH₂CH₃), 92.6 (pyrimidine C-2), 120.8, 122.4, 123.9, 125.3, 125.8, 129.3, 141.3, 144.2 (C₆H₄, thiadiazine C-5, C-6), 163.3, 163.8, 164.4, 165.8 (4CO); Anal. Calcd. for C₂₀H₂₃N₃O₇S (449.48): C, 53.44; H, 5.16; N, 9.35; S, 7.13. Found: C, 53.28; H, 5.28; N, 9.53; S, 7.32; EI-MS (m/z, %): 449 [M⁺, 48].

3. 1. 6. General procedure for the synthesis of the pyran derivatives 19a-4

To a solution of compound **12** (3.06 g, 0.01 mol) in 1,4-dioxane (40 mL) containing triethylamine (0.50 mL) any of benzaldehyde (1.06 g, 0.01 mol), 4-chlorobenzaldehyde (1.40 g, 0.01 mol) or 4-methoxybenzaldehyde (1.36 g, 0.01 mol) and either of malononitrile (0.66 g, 0.01 mol) or

ethyl cyanoacetate (1.13 g, 0.01 mol) were added. The whole reaction mixture was heated under reflux for 3 h then left to cool and the formed solid product, in each case, was collected by filtration.

Ethyl 2-((6-amino-5-cyano-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-phenyl-4*H*-pyran-3-yl)thio)-4-oxoquinazoline-3(4*H*)-carboxylate (19a)

Yellow crystals from ethanol; m.p.: 188–190 °C; IR (KBr) vmax 3469–3316 (NH₂), 2223 (CN), 3056 (CH aromatic), 2984, 2870 (CH₃, CH₂), 1688, 1686 (2CO), 1652 (C=N), 1630 (C=C) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.14 (t, 3H, J = 7.18 Hz, OCH₂CH₃), 3.65 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.22 (q, 2H, J = 7.18 Hz, OCH₂CH₃), 4.58 (s, 2H, D₂O exchangeable, NH₂), 6.92 (s, 1H, pyran H-4), 7.27–7.36 (m, 13H, C₆H₅, 2C₆H₄); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 16.2 (OCH₂CH₃), 52.8 (OCH₃), 55.3 (OCH₂CH₃), 59.6 (pyran C-4), 116.6 (CN), 119.6, 120.8, 122.5, 125.5, 127.4, 127.8, 130.9, 134.4, 136.8, 137.9, 138.8, 139.2, 140.6, 141.3, 142.6, 144.6 (C₆H₅, 2C₆H₄, pyran C), 164.3, 164.8 (2CO), 174.8 (C=N); Anal. Calcd. for C₃₀H₂₄N₄O₅S (552.60): C, 65.20; H, 4.38; N, 10.14; S, 5.80. Found: C, 65.42; H, 4.63; N, 9.87; S, 5.83; EI-MS (m/z, %): 552 [M⁺, 25].

Ethyl 2-((5-cyano-6-hydroxy-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-phenyl-4*H*-pyran-3-yl)thio)-4-oxoquinazoline-3(4*H*)-carboxylate (19b)

Yellow crystals from 1,4-dioxane; m.p.: 203-205 °C; IR (KBr) vmax 3583-3327 (OH), 2222 (CN), 3058 (CH aromatic), 2986 (CH₃), 1687. 1665 (2CO), 1650 (C=N), 1632 (C=C) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.14 (t, 3H, J = 6.80 Hz, OCH₂CH₃), 3.67 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.26 $(q, 2H, J = 6.80 \text{ Hz}, OCH_2CH_3), 6.94 (s, 1H, pyran H-4),$ 7.24–7.43 (m, 13H, C_6H_5 , $2C_6H_4$), 10.33 (s, 1H, D_2O exchangeable, OH); 13 C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 16.1 (OCH₂CH₃), 52.6 (CH₃), 55.1 (OCH₂CH₃), 59.2 (pyran C-4), 116.7 (CN), 120.2, 120.6, 121.9, 124.9, 126.2, 127.1, 129.1, 131.4, 132.3, 133.9, 134.2, 136.3, 138.5, 139.0, 141.2, 141.8, 142.9, 143.7 (C₆H₅, 2C₆H₄, pyran C), 164.5, 164.7 (2CO), 174.3 (C=N); Anal. Calcd. for C₃₀H₂₃N₃O₆S (553.59): C, 65.09; H, 4.19; N, 7.59; S, 5.79. Found: C, 65.28; H, 4.38; N, 7.62; S, 5.68; EI-MS (*m/z*, %): 553 [M⁺, 32].

Ethyl 2-((6-amino-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-cyano-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4*H*-pyran-3-yl)thio)-4-oxoquinazoline-3(4*H*)-carboxylate (19c)

Yellow crystals from ethanol; m.p.: 166–169 °C; IR (KBr) vmax 3472, 3329 (NH₂), 2220 (CN), 3052 (CH aromatic), 2986 (CH₃), 1688, 1686 (2CO), 1653 (C=N), 1633 (C=C) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.13 (t, 3H, J = 6.29 Hz, OCH₂CH₃), 3.69 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.19 (q, 2H, J = 6.29 Hz, OCH₂CH₃), 4.28 (s, 2H, D₂O exchangeable, NH₂), 6.91 (s, 1H, pyran H-4), 7.25–7.48 (m, 12H, 3C₆H₄); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 16.1 (OCH₂CH₃), 52.6 (CH₃), 54.3 (OCH₂CH₃), 59.3 (pyran C-4), 116.4 (CN),

120.3, 121.3, 122.4, 123.5, 126.8, 127.8, 129.1, 130.2, 132.3, 132.7, 134.0, 135.2, 138.9, 139.3, 140.0, 141.4, 142.5, 143.9 (3C₆H₄, pyran C), 164.3, 165.0 (2CO), 174.6 (C=N); Anal. Calcd. for $C_{30}H_{23}ClN_4O_5S$ (587.05): C, 61.38; H, 3.95; N, 9.54; S, 5.46. Found: C, 61.27; H, 4.04; N, 9.59; S, 5.53; EI-MS (m/z, %): 587 [M⁺, 28].

Ethyl 2-((4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-cyano-6-hydroxy-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4*H*-pyran-3-yl)thio)-4-oxoquinazoline-3(4*H*)-carboxylate (19d)

Pale yellow crystals from 1,4-dioxane; m.p.: 193–195 °C; IR (KBr) vmax 3563–3336 (OH), 2221 (CN), 3054 (CH aromatic), 2987 (CH₃), 1689, 1687 (2CO), 1650 (C=N), 1632 (C=C) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.15 (t, 3H, J = 7.37 Hz, OCH₂CH₃), 3.69 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.19 (q, 2H, J = 7.37 Hz, OCH₂CH₃), 6.91 (s, 1H, pyran H-4), 7.25–7.46 (m, 12H, 3C₆H₄), 10.31 (s, 1H, D₂O exchangeable, OH); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 16.4 (OCH₂CH₃), 52.4 (CH₃), 54.8 (OCH₂CH₃), 59.4 (pyran C-4), 116.4 (CN), 120.3, 121.4, 123.6, 126.0, 127.3, 129.6, 130.9, 131.6, 132.8, 133.4, 134.5, 135.1, 136.8, 138.3, 141.1, 142.3, 142.9, 143.4 (3C₆H₄, pyran C), 164.2, 164.5 (2CO), 174.6 (C=N); Anal. Calcd. for C₃₀H₂₂ClN₃O₆S (588.03): C, 61.28; H, 3.77; N, 7.15; S, 5.45. Found: C, 61.18; H, 3.80; N, 7.29; S, 5.64; EI-MS (m/z, %): 588 [M⁺, 25].

Ethyl 2-((6-amino-5-cyano-2,4-bis(4-methoxyphenyl)-4*H*-pyran-3-yl)thio)-4-oxoquinazoline-3(4*H*)-carboxylate (19e)

Yellow crystals from ethanol; m.p.: 148–150 °C; IR (KBr) vmax 3468–3315 (NH₂), 3056 (CH aromatic), 2987 (CH₃), 2220 (CN), 1689, 1687 (2CO), 1633 (C=C) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.13 (t, 3H, J = 7.26 Hz, OCH₂CH₃), 3.67, 3.72 (2s, 6H, 2 OCH₃), 4.19 (q, 2H, J = 7.26 Hz, OCH₂CH₃), 4.28 (s, 2H, D₂O exchangeable, NH₂), 6.93 (s, 1H, pyran H-4), 7.24–7.49 (m, 12H, 3C₆H₄); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 16.0 (OCH₂CH₃), 52.6, 53.2 (2 OCH₃), 54.3 (OCH₂CH₃), 59.1 (pyran C-4), 116.4 (CN), 120.6, 121.8, 123.9, 125.8, 127.9, 128.8, 131.6, 132.6, 133.8, 134.8, 135.3, 135.6, 136.3, 137.1, 140.9, 142.1, 143.0, 143.5 (3C₆H₄, pyran C), 164.3, 164.8 (2CO), 174.4 (C=N); Anal. Calcd. for C₃₁H₂₆N₄O₆S (582.63): C, 63.91; H, 4.50; N, 9.62; S, 5.50. Found: C, 63.73; H, 4.53; N, 9.63; S, 5.72; EI-MS (m/z, %): 582 [M⁺, 18].

Ethyl 2-((5-cyano-6-hydroxy-2,4-bis(4-methoxyphenyl)-4*H*-pyran-3-yl)thio)-4-oxoquinazoline-3(4*H*)-carboxylate (19f)

Yellow crystals from ethanol; m.p.: 242–246 °C; IR (KBr) vmax 3530–3336 (OH), 3056 (CH aromatic), 2986 (CH₃), 2221 (CN), 1689, 1687 (2CO), 1634 (C=C) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.14 (t, 3H, J = 6.52 Hz, OCH₂CH₃), 3.66, 3.73 (2s, 6H, 2 OCH₃), 4.20 (q, 2H, J = 6.52 Hz, OCH₂CH₃), 6.90 (s, 1H, pyran H-4), 7.23–7.48 (m, 12H, 3C₆H₄), 10.37 (s, 1H, D₂O exchangeable, OH); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 16.4 (OCH₂CH₃), 52.8,

53.4 (2 OCH₃), 54.6 (OCH₂CH₃), 59.0 (pyran C-4), 116.7 (CN), 120.2, 123.1, 124.2, 126.8, 127.9, 129.4, 131.8, 133.3, 133.8, 134.3, 135.3, 135.6, 136.3, 137.1, 141.3, 142.6, 142.50, 143.9 (3C₆H₄, pyran C), 164.3, 164.6 (2CO), 174.8 (C=N); Anal. Calcd. for $C_{34}H_{25}N_3O_7S$ (583.61): C, 63.80; H, 4.32; N, 7.20; S, 5.49. Found: C, 63.69; H, 4.48; N, 7.29; S, 5.53; EI-MS (m/z, %): 583 [M⁺, 18].

3. 1. 7. General procedure for the synthesis of the pyridine derivatives 21a-f

To a solution of compound 12 (3.06 g, 0.01 mol) in 1,4-dioxane (40 mL) containing ammonium acetate (0.50 g) any of benzaldehyde (1.06 g, 0.01 mol), 4-chlorobenzaldehyde (1.40 g, 0.01 mol) or 4-methoxybenzaldehyde (1.36 g, 0.01 mol) and either of malononitrile (0.66 g, 0.01 mol) or ethyl cyanoacetate (1.13 g, 0.01 mol) were added. The whole reaction mixture was heated under reflux for 3 h then left to cool and the formed solid product, in each case, was collected by filtration.

Ethyl 2-((6-amino-5-cyano-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-phenyl-1,4-dihydropyridin-3-yl)thio)-4-oxoquinazoline-3(4*H*)-carboxylate (21a)

Yellow crystals from ethanol; m.p.: 231-235 °C; IR (KBr) vmax 3483-3342 (NH, NH₂), 2220 (CN), 3054 (CH aromatic), 2989 (CH₃), 1689, 1687 (2CO), 1656 (C=N), 1630 (C=C) cm⁻¹; 1 H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_{6}) δ 1.15 (t, 3H, J = 7.28 Hz, OCH₂CH₃), 3.66 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.23 (q, 2H, J = 7.28 Hz, OCH₂CH₃), 4.59 (s, 2H, D₂O exchangeable, NH₂), 6.89 (s, 1H, pyridine H-4), 7.27–7.38 (m, 13H, C_6H_5 , $2C_6H_4$), 8.29 (s, 1H, D_2O exchangeable NH); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 16.1 (OCH₂CH₃), 52.5 (CH₃), 54.1 (OCH₂CH₃), 59.5 (pyridine C-4), 116.5 (CN), 120.8, 121.6, 123.1, 125.8, 126.9, 128.3, 128.9, 129.6, 132.3, 131.6, 135.2, 136.5, 138.3, 139.7, 140.3, 142.6, 143.3, 144.3 $(C_6H_5, C_6H_4, pyridine C), 164.2, 164.7 (2CO), 174.3$ (C=N); Anal. Calcd. for $C_{30}H_{25}N_5O_4S$ (551.62): C, 65.32; H, 4.57; N, 12.70; S, 5.81. Found: C, 65.48; H, 4.61; N, 12.87; S, 5.92; EI-MS (*m/z*, %): 551 [M⁺, 25].

Ethyl 2-((5-cyano-6-hydroxy-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-phenyl-1,4-dihydropyridin-3-yl)thio)-4-oxoquinazoline-3(4*H*)-carboxylate (21b)

Yellow crystals from 1,4-dioxane; m.p.: 230–233 °C; IR (KBr) vmax 3571–3320 (OH, NH), 3055 (CH aromatic), 2989 (CH₃), 2220 (CN), 1689, 1684 (2CO), 1653 (C=N), 1630 (C=C) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.14 (t, 3H, J = 6.89 Hz, OCH₂CH₃), 3.68 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.22 (q, 2H, J = 6.89 Hz, OCH₂CH₃), 6.93 (s, 1H, pyridine H-4), 7.26–7.46 (m, 13H, C₆H₅, 2C₆H₄), 8.23 (s, 1H, D₂O exchangeable, NH), 10.33 (s, 1H, D₂O exchangeable, OH); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 16.4 (OCH₂CH₃), 52.8 (CH₃), 54.6 (OCH₂CH₃), 59.9 (pyridine C-4), 116.7 (CN), 120.4, 121.2, 121.9, 122.6, 125.9, 126.2, 128.2, 129.2, 131.7, 132.3, 134.2, 136.3, 138.5, 139.0, 139.6, 141.8, 142.9, 143.8

(C_6H_5 , $2C_6H_4$, pyridine C), 164.2, 164.8 (2CO), 174.6 (C=N); Anal. Calcd. for $C_{30}H_{24}N_4O_5S$ (552.60): C, 65.20; H, 4.38; N, 10.14; S, 5.80. Found: C, 65.14; H, 4.42; N, 10.08; S, 5.72; EI-MS (m/z, %): 552 [M^+ , 32].

Ethyl 2-((5-cyano-6-hydroxy-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1,4-dihydropyridin-3-yl)thio)-4-oxoquinazoline-3(4*H*)-carboxylate (21c)

Yellow crystals from ethanol; m.p.: 184-187 °C; IR (KBr) vmax 3480, 3323 (NH₂, NH), 3054 (CH aromatic), 2988 (CH₃), 2220 (CN), 1687, 1683 (2CO), 1656 (C=N, 1633 (C=C) cm⁻¹; 1 H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.13 (t, 3H, J = 7.01 Hz, OCH₂CH₃), 3.66 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.19 $(q, 2H, J = 7.01 \text{ Hz}, OCH_2CH_3), 4.68 (s, 2H, D_2O \text{ ex-}$ changeable, NH₂), 6.93 (s, 1H, pyridine H-4), 7.22-7.45 (m, 12H, 3C₆H₄), 8.28 (s, 1H, D₂O exchangeable, NH); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 16.3 (OCH₂CH₃), 52.8 (OCH₃), 54.3 (O<u>CH₂</u>CH₃), 59.6 (pyridine C-4), 116.7 (CN), 120.3, 122.0, 123.5, 124.6, 126.8, 127.4, 129.0, 130.2, 132.3, 132.7, 134.0, 135.2, 138.9, 139.3, 140.0, 141.4, 142.5, 143.9 (3C₆H₄, pyridine C), 164.2, 164.6 (2CO), 174.8 (C=N); Anal. Calcd. for C₃₀H₂₄ClN₅O₄S (586.06): C, 61.48; H, 4.13; N, 11.95; S, 5.47. Found: C, 61.53; H, 4.24; N, 12.28; S, 5.60; EI-MS (*m/z*, %): 586 [M⁺, 36].

Ethyl 2-((4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-cyano-6-hydroxy-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1,4-dihydropyridin-3-yl)thio)-4-oxoquinazoline-3(4*H*)-carboxylate (21d)

Yellow crystals from 1,4-dioxane; m.p.: 166–168 °C; IR (KBr) vmax 3572-3333 (OH, NH), 2221 (CN), 3054 (CH aromatic), 2987 (CH₃), 1689, 1684 (2CO), 1650 (C=N), 1632 (C=C) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.13 (t, 3H, J = 6.47 Hz, OCH₂CH₃), 3.69 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.18 (q, 2H, J = 6.47 Hz, OCH₂CH₃), 6.90 (s, 1H, pridine H-4), 7.22-7.46 (m, 12H, $3C_6H_4$), 8.28 (s, 1H, D_2O exchangeable, NH), 10.31 (s, 1H, D₂O exchangeable, OH); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 16.6 (OCH₂CH₃), 52.6 (OCH_3) , 54.6 (OCH_2CH_3) , 59.4 (pyridine C-4), 116.6 (CN), 120.6, 122.8, 123.4, 125.2, 126.8, 127.3, 130.9, 131.3, 132.5, 133.4, 134.5, 135.5, 136.8, 138.3, 141.0, 142.3, 142.9, 143.6 (3C₆H₄ pyran C), 164.2, 164.8 (2CO), 174.6 (C=N); Anal. Calcd. for C₃₀H₂₃ClN₄O₅S (587.05): C, 61.38; H, 3.95; N, 9.54; S, 5.46. Found: C, 61.42; H, 3.69; N, 9.70; S, 5.59; EI-MS (*m*/*z*, %): 587 [M⁺, 48].

Ethyl 2-((6-amino-5-cyano-2,4-bis(4-methoxyphenyl)-1,4-dihydropyridin-3-yl)thio)-4-oxoquinazoline-3(4H)-carboxylate (21e)

Yellow crystals from ethanol; m.p.: 148–152 °C; IR (KBr) vmax 3468–3315 (NH₂, NH), 3056 (CH aromatic), 2987 (CH₃), 2220 (CN), 1689, 1682 (2CO), 1633 (C=C) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.14 (t, 3H, J = 7.19 Hz, OCH₂CH₃), 3.65, 3.74 (2s, 6H, 2 OCH₃), 4.20 (q, 2H, J = 7.19 Hz, OCH₂CH₃), 4.67 (s, 2H, D₂O exchangeable, NH₂), 6.91 (s, 1H, pyridine H-4), 7.25–7.47 (m, 12H, 3C₆H₄), 8.30 (s, 1H, D₂O exchangeable, NH); ¹³C NMR

(75 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 16.3 (OCH₂CH₃), 52.5, 53.8 (2CH₃), 54.6 (OCH₂CH₃), 59.5 (pyridine C-4), 116.8 (CN), 119.3, 123.4, 124.1, 124.5, 128.3, 129.6, 130.3, 132.8, 134.3, 134.8, 135.6, 135.6, 136.3, 137.1, 140.9, 142.7, 143.5, 143.5 (3C₆H₄, pyridine C), 163.9, 164.5 (2CO), 174.6 (C=N); Anal. Calcd. for C₃₁H₂₇N₅O₅S (581.64): C, 64.01; H, 4.68; N, 12.04; S, 5.51. Found: C, 63.93; H, 4.56; N, 11.84; S, 5.69; EI-MS (m/z, %): 581 [M⁺, 22].

Ethyl 2-((5-cyano-6-hydroxy-2,4-bis(4-methoxyphenyl)-1,4-dihydropyridin-3-yl)thio)-4-oxoquinazoline-3(4H)-carboxylate (21f)

Yellow crystals from ethanol; m.p.: 263-265 °C; IR (KBr) vmax 3548-3322 (OH NH), 3054 (CH aromatic), 2987 (CH₃), 2221 (CN), 1688, 1684 (2CO), 1635 (C=C) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.13 (t, 3H, J =7.08 Hz, OCH₂CH₃), 3.62, 3.73 (2s, 6H, 2 OCH₃), 4.21 (q, 2H, J = 7.08 Hz, OCH₂CH₃), 6.91 (s, 1H, pyridine H-4), 7.25–7.48 (m, 12H, $3C_6H_4$), 8.26 (s, 1H, D_2O exchangeable, NH), 10.31 (s, 1H, D₂O exchangeable, OH); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 16.1 (OCH₂CH₃), 52.4, 53.8 (2CH₃), 54.4 (OCH₂CH₃), 59.6 (pyridine C-4), 116.6 (CN), 119.6, 121.8, 128.3, 130.3, 133.6, 133.8, 135.8, 136.1, 136.3, 137.1, 140.2, 142.3, 143.5, 143.8 (3C₆H₄, pyridine C), 164.1, 164.3 (2CO), 174.3 (C=N); Anal. Calcd. for C₃₁H₂₆N₄O₆S (582.63): C, 63.91; H, 4.50; N, 9.62; S, 5.50. Found: C, 63.88; H, 4.53; N, 9.71; S, 5.73; EI-MS (*m/z*, %): 582 [M⁺, 31].

Synthesis of the thiazole synthesis of the thiazole derivatives 24a-c

To a solution of compound **8** (3.36 g, 0.01 mol) in dimethylformamide (40 mL) containing potassium hydroxide (0.40 g, 0.01 mol), phenylisothiocyanate (1.30 g, 0.01 mol) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. On the second day any of ethyl chloroaceate (1.22 g, 0.01 mol), α -chloroacetone (0.92 g, 0.01 mol) or 2-bromo-1-(4-bromophenyl)ethanone (2.75 g, 0.01 mol) was added. The whole reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for an additional 24 h then poured onto ice/water containing a few drops of hydrochloric acid and the formed solid product was collected by filtration.

Ethyl 2-((2-ethoxy-1-(4-hydroxy-3-phenylthiazol-2(3*H*)-ylidene)-2-oxoethyl)thio)-4-oxo-quinazoline-3(4*H*)-carboxylate (24a)

Orange crystals from ethanol; m.p.: 193–196 °C; IR (KBr) vmax 3562–3345 (OH), 3055 (CH aromatic), 2985, 2889 (CH₃, CH₂), 1689, 1685, 1682 (3CO), 1632 (C=C) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.13, 1.15 (2t, 6H, J = 6.59, 6.18 Hz, 2 OCH₂CH₃), 4.18, 4.26 (2q, 4H, J = 6.59, 6.18 Hz, 2 OCH₂CH₃), 6.06 (s, 1H, thiazole H-5), 7.28–7.41 (m, 9H, C₆H₅, C₆H₄), 9.42 (s, 1H, D₂O exchangeable, OH); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 16.1, 16.8 (2 OCH₂CH₃), 54.2, 54.6 (2 OCH₂CH₃), 84.5, 148.2 (C=C),

119.3, 124.1, 124.5, 128.3, 130.3, 132.8, 134.3, 135.6, 135.6, 137.1, 142.7, 143.5 (C_6H_5 , C_6H_4 , thiazole C-4, C-5), 163.4, 164.3, 164.6 (3CO), 174.4 (C=N); Anal. Calcd. for $C_{24}H_{21}N_3O_6S_2$ (511.57): C, 56.35; H, 4.14; N, 8.21; S, 12.54. Found: C, 56.48; H, 4.32; N, 8.40; S, 12.70; EI-MS (m/z, %): 511 [M^+ , 38].

Ethyl 2-((2-ethoxy-1-(4-methyl-3-phenylthiazol-2(3*H*)-ylidene)-2-oxoethyl)thio)-4-oxoquinazoline-3(4*H*)-carboxylate (24b)

Orange crystals from acetic acid; m.p.: 205–208 °C; IR (KBr) vmax 3053 (CH aromatic), 2989, 2884 (CH₃, CH₂), 1688, 1686, 1680 (3CO), 1634 (C=C) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.14, 1.15 (2t, 6H, J = 7.26, 6.37 Hz, 2 OCH₂CH₃), 2.80 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.18, 4.23 (2q, 4H, J = 7.26, 6.37 Hz, 2 OCH₂CH₃), 6.07 (s, 1H, thiazole H-5), 7.26–7.44 (m, 9H, C₆H₅, C₆H₄); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DM-SO- d_6) δ 16.6, 16.9 (two OCH₂CH₃), 54.6, 54.8 (two OCH₂CH₃), 69.1 (thiazole C-5), 88.6, 148.0 (C=C), 119.8, 124.3, 124.8, 129.1, 130.6, 133.2, 134.6, 135.4, 136.3, 137.5, 140.8, 143.7 (C₆H₅, C₆H₄, thiazole C-4, C-5), 163.8, 164.8, 164.9 (3CO), 174.2 (C=N); Anal. Calcd. for C₂₅H₂₃N₃O₅S₂ (509.60): C, 58.92; H, 4.55; N, 8.25; S, 12.58. Found: C, 58.79; H, 4.70; N, 8.39; S, 12.39; EI-MS (m/z, %): 509 [M⁺, 19].

Ethyl 2-((2-ethoxy-1-(4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-phenylthiazol-2(3*H*)-ylidene)-2-oxoethyl)thio)-4-oxoquinazoline-3(4*H*)-carboxylate (24c)

Orange crystals from acetic acid; m.p.: 177–179 °C; IR (KBr) vmax 3055 (CH aromatic), 2987, 2888 (CH₃, CH₂), 1689, 1686, 1683 (3CO), 1632 (C=C) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (200 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 1.16, 1.18 (2t, 6H, J = 7.42, 7.07 Hz, 2 OCH₂CH₃), 3.69 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.18, 4.23 (2q, 4H, J = 7.42, 7.07 Hz, 2 OCH₂CH₃), 6.06 (s, 1H, thiazole H-5), 7.22–7.48 (m, 13H, C₆H₅, 2C₆H₄); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 16.6, 16.8 (two OCH₂CH₃), 52.6 (OCH₃), 54.3, 54.6 (two OCH₂CH₃), 69.3 (thiazole C-5), 88.7, 148.0 (C=C), 120.3, 122.4, 123.8, 124.1, 124.8, 125.6, 126.9, 129.2, 130.8, 133.2, 134.6, 135.4, 136.3, 137.6, 142.4, 143.5 (C₆H₅, C₆H₄, thiazole C-4, C-5), 163.3, 164.6, 164.5 (3CO), 174.5 (C=N); Anal. Calcd. for C₃₁H₂₇N₃O₆S₂ (601.69): C, 61.88; H, 4.52; N, 6.98; S, 10.66. Found: C, 61.79; H, 4.66; N, 7.05; S, 10.81; EI-MS (m/z, %): 601 [M⁺, 22].

4. Conclusions

The work deals with the synthesis of a series of 1,2-dihydroquinazoline derivatives. The cytotoxicity of the newly synthesized compounds towards the six cancer cell lines NUGC, DLD-1, HA22T, HEPG-2, HONE-1 and MCF-7 showed that compounds **6**, **8**, **13**, **19c-f**, **21b-f**, **24a** and **24c** displayed the highest cytotoxicity. The c-Met kinase inhibition for some selected compounds showed that compounds **8**, **13**, **19d**, **21e**, **21f** and **24a** possess the high-

est inhibitory effect. Activities towards tyrosine kinases revealed that compounds 13, 21e and 24a have the highest potency. Compounds 13 and 24a showed the highest activities towards Pim-1 kinase.

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Povzetek

Pri reakciji antranilne kisline z etoksikarbonilizotiocianatom nastane etil 4-okso-2-tiokso-1,2-dihidrokinazo-lin-3(4*H*)-karboksilat (4). Ugotovili smo, da reakcija spojine 4 s hidrazin hidratom in α-halokarbonilnimi derivati daje ali hidrazono ali *S*-alkilirane produkte. Izvedli smo tudi heterociklizacijske reakcije nekaterih *S*-alkiliranih derivatov 8 in 12 in na ta način pripravili tiofenske, tiazolne, piranske in piridinske derivate. Raziskali smo citotoksičnost novih sintetiziranih spojin na šest rakavih celičnih linij: NUGC, DLD-1, HA22T, HEPG-2, HONE-1 in MCF-7. Ugotovili smo, da spojine 8, 10, 16a, 19d–f, 21c, 21e, 21f, 24a in 24b izkazujejo največjo citotoksičnost. Test inhibicije c-Met kinaze za nekatere izbrane spojine je pokazal, da derivati 8, 13, 19d, 21e, 21f in 24a predstavljajo najbolj aktivne spojine. Test s tirozin kinazo pa je razkril, da spojine 13, 21e in 24a kažejo največjo inhibitorno aktivnost in zato smo zanje izvedli študijo molekulskega modeliranja. Dodatno se je pokazalo, da spojini 13 in 24a izkazujeta največjo aktivnost na Pim-1 kinazo.