

1,4-DIPOLAR CYCLOADDITION REACTIONS IN ORGANIC SYNTHESIS: SYNTHESIS OF SOME NEW N-ARYLPHTHALIMIDES AND FULLY SUBSTITUTED PYRROLO[3,4-H] QUINOLINE DERIVATIVES

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Abstract:

N-Arylphthalimides **3a–e** were prepared through the reaction of 2-amino-3-cyano-4-ethoxycarbonyl-5-methylfuran **1** and N-Arylmaleimides **2a–e**. Compounds **3a–e** reacted with malononitrile, cyanoacetophenone, cyanothioacetamide and ethylcyanoacetate to give the corresponding pyrrolo[3,4-h]quinoline derivatives **4a–e**, **5a–e**, **6a–e** and **7a–e** respectively. The structure of the newly synthesized compounds was established on the basis of elemental analysis and spectral data studies.

Key words: Substituted furan, N-Arylmaleimides, Cyanoacetophenone, Malononitrile, Cyanothioacetamide, Ethylcyanoacetate, and N-Arylphthalimides derivatives.

Introduction

Maleimides are an important class of substrates for biological and chemical applications. They are used as chemical probes of protein structure¹, immunoconjugates for cancer therapy, solid supported enzymes for synthetic applications, haptene for the production of antibodies² or new herbicides and pesticides³. Some compounds of the dicarboxyimide type are reported to reveal effective system activity against *Botrytis cinerea*, *Cochliobolus miyabeanus* and *Pellicularia sasaci*³. N-(3,5-Dichlorophenyl)pyrrolidine-2,5-dione (Dimetachlon) is being used as a protective and curative fungicide⁴ and the cycloadducts of N-(3,5-dichlorophenyl) maleimide to furan⁵ and its derivatives have also considerable fungicidal properties. The maleimide moiety can be used as a platform in synthesis due to its Michael accepting ability, dienophilic nature^{6, 7} as well as to its reactivity as a dipolarophile in 1,3 and 1,4-dipolar cycloadditions⁸⁻¹⁶. The divers biological activities of compounds containing the (-CONHCO-) and (-CONRCO-) moieties as very effective and persistent foliage fungicides especially for control of apple and pear scab and also as seed dressings against many soil and seed-born disease^{17, 18} stimulated our interest for synthesis of several new derivatives of these ring systems for biological activity studies, as a part of our program^{9-11, 18-25} directed for the synthesis of new heterocyclic compounds.

Results and Discussion:

We report, here, new methods for synthesis of some phthalimide derivatives and some pyrrolo[3,4-h] quinoline derivatives.

Thus, it has been found that 2-amino-3-cyano-4-ethoxycarbonyl-5-methyl furan 1 reacted with N-arylmaleimides **2a-e** in xylene to afford the fully substituted N-arylphthalimide derivatives **3a-e** (cf. scheme 1). The structures of **3a-e** were established based on the data of IR, ¹H-NMR spectra and elemental analysis (cf. Table 1 and 2).

The IR spectra of these compounds showed a band of NH₂, a band of CN, a band of ester group and two separated bands attributed to the presence of CO-NAr-CO groups²⁶ in each case. While their ¹H-NMR spectra revealed the signals of $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$, CH_3 -Ar and aromatic protons, moreover the mass spectra of **3a-b**, and **3d** as typical examples gave $m/z = 363$, 399 and 367 which corresponded to the molecular formula C₂₀H₁₇N₃O₄, C₂₃H₁₇N₃O₄ and C₁₉H₁₄N₃O₄F respectively.

Synthons **3a-e** are used as the starting material for the synthesis of many pyrrolo [3,4 -h] quinoline derivatives. Thus it has been found that compounds **3a-e** reacted with malononitrile to give the fully substituted pyrrolo [3, 4 -h] quinoline derivatives **4a-e**. The structures of the reaction products **4a-e** were confirmed based on the data of IR, ¹H-NMR spectra and elemental analysis. (cf. Table 1 and 2)

The synthetic potential of **3a-e** was further directed toward the synthesis of other pyrrolo[3,4 -h] quinoline derivatives through their reaction with cyanoacetophenone, cyanothioacetamide and ethylcyanoacetate in presence of piperidine to give the corresponding pyrrolo[3,4-h]quinoline derivative **5-7a-e** respectively. The structures of the products were established based on the data given from elemental analysis, IR, and ¹H-NMR spectra studies (cf. Table 1 and 2).

Experimental:

All melting points are uncorrected. The IR spectra in KBr discs were recorded on pye-Unicam SP-1000 spectrophotometer. The ¹H-NMR spectra were recorded on Varian Em 390-90 MHz Gem 200 and Bruker WP-80 spectrometers using (CD₃)₂SO as solvents and TMS as an internal standard. Chemical shifts are expressed as δ ppm unit. Mass spectra were recorded on a Hewlett-Packard- GC-Ms type 2988 series using DIP technique at 70 ev. Micro analysis was performed at the Micro analytical center, Cairo University using a Perkin-Elmer 2400 CHN elemental analyzer.

Preparation of N-arylphthalimides **3a- e**:

General procedure: Reaction of 2-amino-3-cyano-4-ethoxycarbonyl-5-methyl furan 1 (0.01 mole) with each of N-(benzyl, α-naphthyl, β-naphthyl, p-fluorophenyl, and p-bromophenyl) maleimides **2a-e** (0.01 mole). The elimination of water in reaction of 1 and **2a-e** occurs by reflux in xylene (50 ml) for 5 hours. The solid products **3a-e** were obtained from hot solution. After cooling the products were

filtered off and recrystallized from proper solvent (at boiling point of the solvent) or after concentration and cooling (cf. Table 1 and 2).

3a as yellow crystals m.p. 173 °C, yield 80 %; **3b** as brown crystals with m.p. 180 °C, yield 70 %; **3c** as brown crystals with m.p. 183 °C, yield 75 %; **3d** as yellow crystals m.p. 170 °C, yield 80 %; **3e** as brown crystals with m.p. 176 °C, yield 76 %.

Reactions of N-arylphthalimides 3a-e with malononitrile, cyanoacetophenone, and cyanothioacetamide:

General procedure: A mixture of each of the N-arylphthalimides **3a-e** (0.01 mole) and each of malononitrile, cyanoacetophenone, or cyanothioacetamide (0.01 mole) in absolute ethanol (40 ml) in the presence of piperidine (0.5 ml) was heated under reflux for 6 hours. The solid products **4a-e**, **5a-e** and **6a-e** obtained from hot solution after cooling were filtered off and recrystallized from proper solvent (at boiling point of the solvent) or after concentration and cooling (cf. Table 1 and 2).

4a as yellow crystals m.p. > 300 °C, yield 75 %; **4b** as brown crystals with m.p. >300 °C, yield 70 %; **4c** as brown crystals with m.p. >300 °C, yield 70 %; **4d** as yellow crystals with m.p. >300 °C, yield 75 %; **4e** as brown crystals with m.p. >300 °C, yield 80 %.

5a as brown crystals with m.p. >300 °C, yield 70 %; **5b** as brown crystals with m.p. >300 °C, yield 75 %; **5c** as brown crystals with m.p. >300 °C, yield 73%; **5d** as brown crystals with m.p. >300 °C, yield 75 %; **5e** as brown crystals with m.p. >300 °C, yield 74 %.

6a as yellow crystals m.p. > 300 °C, yield 80 %; **6b** as yellow crystals m.p. > 300°C, yield 75 %; **6c** as yellow crystals m.p. > 300°C, yield 75 %; **6d** as yellow crystals m.p. > 300°C, yield 70 %; **6e** as yellow crystals m.p. > 300°C, yield 74 %.

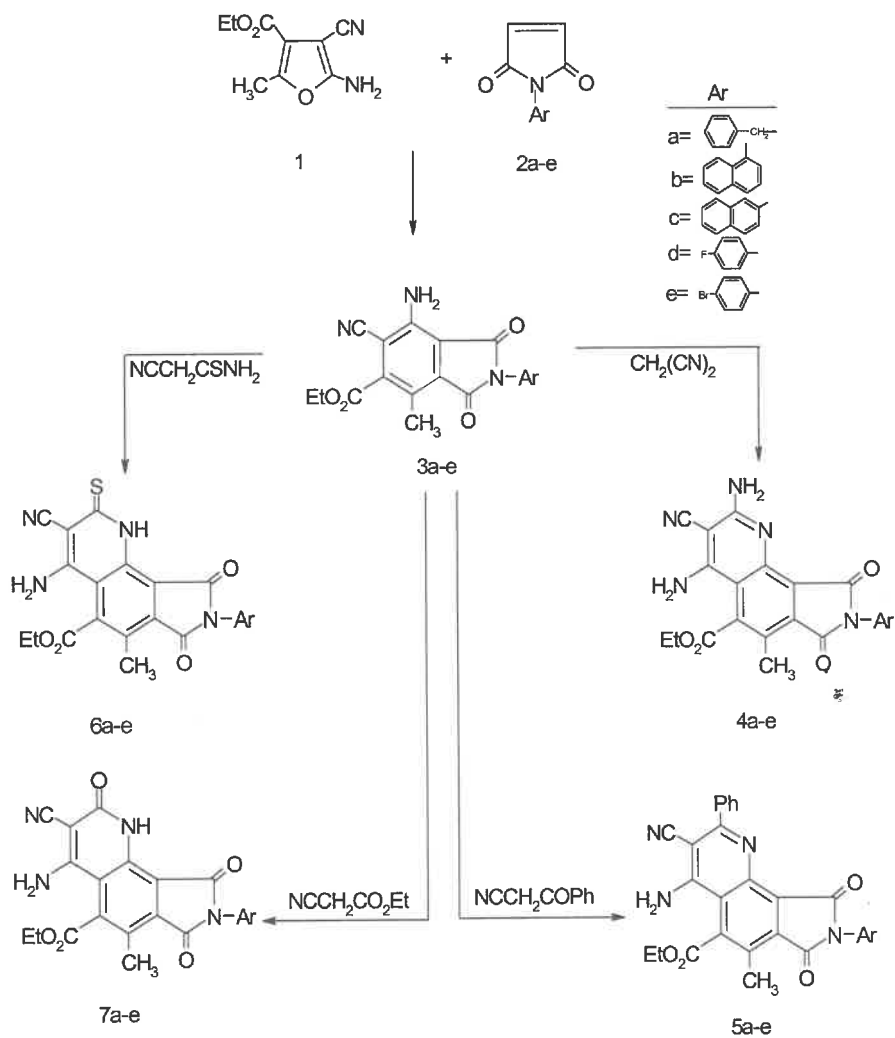
Reactions of N-arylphthalimides 3a-e with ethyl cyanoacetate:

A solution of each of the N-arylphthalimides **3a-e** (0.01 mole) in ethyl cyanoacetate (30 ml) in the presence of piperidine (0.5 ml) was heated under reflux for 5 hours. The solid products **7a-e** obtained from hot solution after cooling filtered off and recrystallized from proper solvent (at boiling point of the solvent) or after concentration and cooling (cf. Table 1 and 2).

7a as yellow crystals m.p. > 300°C, yield 70 %; **7b** as yellow crystals m.p. > 300°C, yield 70 %; **7c** as brown crystals with m.p. >300 °C, yield 75 %; **7d** as brown crystals with m.p. >300 °C, yield 80 %; **7e** as brown crystals with m.p. >300 °C, yield 75 % .

Conclusions:

Application of 1, 4- Dipolarcycloaddition reaction in synthesis of same organic adducts and some maleimides which are important class of substrates for biological and chemical applications



(Scheme - 1)

Table (1):- Characterization data of the newly synthesized derivatives.

Comp. No	Molecular Formula	Color / Yield %	M. P °C/ Cryst. Solvent	% of Analysis, Calcd. / Found ^a				
				C	H	N	S	X
3 a	C ₂₀ H ₁₇ N ₃ O ₄	yellow 80	173 EtOH	66.11	4.68	11.57	-	-
				66.10	4.62	11.55		
3 b	C ₂₃ H ₁₇ N ₃ O ₄	Brown 70	180 EtOH	69.17	4.26	10.52	-	-
				69.20	4.28	10.55		
3 c	C ₂₃ H ₁₇ N ₃ O ₄	Brown 75	183 EtOH	69.17	4.26	10.52	-	-
				69.25	4.24	10.53		
3 d	C ₁₉ H ₁₄ N ₃ O ₄ F	yellow 80	170 AcOH	62.12	3.81	11.44	-	F, 5.17 5.22
				62.13	3.72	11.42		
3 e	C ₁₉ H ₁₄ N ₃ O ₄ Br	Brown 76	176 AcOH	53.27	3.27	9.81	-	Br, 18.69 18.54
				53.10	3.20	9.78		
4 a	C ₂₃ H ₁₉ N ₅ O ₄	yellow 75	> 300 EtOH	64.33	4.42	16.31	-	-
				64.32	4.42	16.23		
4 b	C ₂₆ H ₁₉ N ₅ O ₄	Brown 70	> 300 EtOH	67.09	4.08	15.05	-	-
				67.11	4.21	15.03		
4 c	C ₂₆ H ₁₉ N ₅ O ₄	Brown 70	>300 EtOH	67.09	4.08	15.05	-	-
				67.00	4.21	15.02		
4 d	C ₂₂ H ₁₆ N ₅ O ₄ F	yellow 75	> 300 Ac OH	60.96	3.69	16.16	-	F, 4.38 4.32
				60.82	3.66	16.11		
4 e	C ₂₂ H ₁₆ N ₅ O ₄ Br	Brown 80	> 300 Ac OH	53.44	3.23	14.17	-	Br, 16.19 16.10
				53.45	3.02	14.01		
5 a	C ₂₉ H ₂₂ N ₄ O ₄	Brown 70	> 300 EtOH	71.02	4.48	11.42	-	-
				71.04	4.38	11.22		
5 b	C ₃₂ H ₂₂ N ₄ O ₄	Brown 75	> 300 EtOH	73.00	4.18	10.64	-	-
				73.12	4.21	10.70		
5 c	C ₃₂ H ₂₂ N ₄ O ₄	Brown 73	> 300 EtOH	73.00	4.18	10.64	-	-
				73.10	4.19	10.69		
5 d	C ₂₈ H ₁₉ N ₄ O ₄ F	Brown 75	> 300 EtOH	68.01	3.84	11.33	-	F, 3.84 3.81
				68.00	3.72	11.23		
5 e	C ₂₈ H ₁₉ N ₄ O ₄ Br	Brown 74	≥ 300 EtOH	60.54	3.42	10.09	-	Br, 14.41 14.32
				60.50	3.33	10.02		

6 a	$C_{23}H_{18}N_4O_4S$	yellow 80	> 300 AcOH	61.88 61.78	4.03 4.05	12.55 12.33	7.17 7.02	-
6b	$C_{26}H_{18}N_4O_4S$	yellow 75	> 300 AcOH	64.73 64.75	3.73 3.78	11.61 11.65	6.63 6.66	-
6c	$C_{26}H_{18}N_4O_4S$	yellow 75	> 300 AcOH	64.73 64.77	3.73 3.75	11.61 11.67	6.63 6.68	-
6 d	$C_{22}H_{15}N_4O_4SF$	yellow 70	> 300 AcOH	58.66 58.55	3.33 3.11	12.44 12.21	7.11 7.00	F, 4.22 4.00
6 e	$C_{22}H_{15}N_4O_4SBr$	yellow 74	> 300 AcOH	51.66 51.54	2.93 2.83	10.95 10.82	6.26 6.33	Br, 15.65 15.52
7 a	$C_{23}H_{18}N_4O_5$	yellow 70	> 300 AcOH	64.18 64.12	4.18 4.33	13.02 13.00	-	-
7 b	$C_{26}H_{18}N_4O_5$	yellow 70	> 300 AcOH	66.95 66.85	3.86 3.75	12.01 12.11	-	-
7 c	$C_{26}H_{18}N_4O_5$	Brown 75	> 300 AcOH	66.95 66.71	3.86 3.95	12.01 12.02	-	-
7 d	$C_{22}H_{15}N_4O_5F$	Brown 80	> 300 AcOH	60.82 60.80	3.45 3.33	12.90 12.82	-	F, 4.37 4.23
7 e	$C_{22}H_{15}N_4O_5Br$	Brown 75	> 300 AcOH	53.33 53.21	3.03 3.06	11.31 11.22	-	Br, 16.16 16.26

Table (2):- IR (cm⁻¹) and ¹H-NMR δ (ppm) data

Comp	IR (cm ⁻¹)	¹ H-NMR δ (ppm)
3a	3400, 3320 (NH ₂), 2200 (CN), 1730 (ester CO), 1790- 1720 and 1719-1690 (CO NAr CO).	1.3 (3H, t, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 2.4 (3H, s, CH ₃ -Ar); 3.9 (2H, q, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 4.1 (2H, s, NCH ₂ -Ph); 6.5 (2H, s, br, NH ₂); 7.2-8.2 (5H, m, Ar H' s).
3c	3400, 3320 (NH ₂), 2200 (CN), 1730 (ester CO), 1790- 1720 and 1719-1690 (CO NAr CO).	1.3 ((3H, t, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 2.4 (3H, s, CH ₃ -Ar); 3.9 (2H, q, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 6.4(2H, br, NH ₂); 7.2-8.2 (7H, m, Ar H' s).
3d	3400, 3320 (NH ₂), 2200 (CN), 1730 (ester CO), 1790- 1720 and 1719-1690 (CO NAr CO).	1.3 ((3H, t, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 2.4 (3H, s, CH ₃ -Ar); 3.9 (2H, q, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 6.5 (2H, br, NH ₂); 7.2-8.0 (4H, m, Ar H' s)
4a	3400, 3320 (NH ₂), 2200 (CN), 1730 (ester CO), 1790- 1720 and 1719-1690 (CO NAr CO).	1.2 (3H, t, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 2.5 (3H, s, -CH ₃ -Ar); 4.0 (2H, q, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 4.2 (2H, s, NCH ₂ -Ph); 7.0-8.2 (5H, m, Ar H' s); 9.5 (4H, br, two NH ₂).
4c	3400, 3320 (NH ₂), 2200 (CN), 1730 (ester CO), 1790- 1720 and 1719-1690 (CO NAr CO).	1.3 (3H, t, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 2.6 (3H, s, CH ₃ -Ar); 3.9 (2H, q, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 7.1-8.2 (7H, m, Ar H' s); 9.5 (4H, br, two NH ₂).
4d	3400, 3320 (NH ₂), 2200 (CN), 1730 (ester CO), 1790- 1720 and 1719-1690 (CO NAr CO).	1.2 (3H, t, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 2.5 (3H, s, CH ₃ -Ar); 3.9 (2H, q, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 7.1-8.1 (4H, m, Ar H' s); 9.4 (4H, br, two NH ₂).
5a	3400, 3320 (NH ₂), 2200 (CN), 1730 (ester CO), 1790- 1720 and 1719-1690 (CO NAr CO).	1.3 (3H, t, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 2.4 (3H, s, CH ₃ -Ar); 3.8 (2H, q, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 4.0 (2H, s, NCH ₂ -Ph); 7.2-8.0 (5H, m, ArH' s); 9.5 (2H, br, NH ₂).
5c	3400, 3320 (NH ₂), 2200 (CN), 1730 (ester CO), 1790- 1720 and 1719-1690 (CO NAr CO).	1.2 (3H, t, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 2.4 (3H, s, CH ₃ -Ar); 3.8 (2H, q, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 7.2-8.2 (12H, m, Ar H' s); 9.3 (2H, br, NH ₂).
6a	3400, 3300 (NH ₂), 2200 (CN), 1730 (ester CO), 1790- 1720 and 1719-1690 (-CO NAr CO).	1.3 (3H, t, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 2.5 (3H, s, CH ₃ -Ar); 3.9 (2H, q, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 4.1(2H, s, NCH ₂ -Ph); 7.2-8.2 (5H, m, ArH' s and 1H, NH); 9.4 (2H, br, NH ₂).
6c	3400, 3320 (NH ₂), 2200 (CN), 1730 (ester CO), 1790- 1720 and 1719-1690 (-CO NAr CO).	1.2 (3H, t, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 2.4 (3H, s, CH ₃ -Ar); 4.0 (2H, q, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 7.2-8.3(7H, m, Ar H' s and 1H, NH); 9.3 (2H, br, NH ₂).
6d	3400, 3330 (NH ₂), 2200 (CN), 1730 (ester CO), 1790- 1720 and 1719-1690 (CO NAr CO).	1.3 (3H, t, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 2.4 (3H, s, CH ₃ -Ar); 4.0 (2H, q, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 7.2-8.1 (4H, m, Ar H' s and 1H, NH); 9.5 (2H, br, NH ₂).
7a	3400, 3330 (NH ₂), 2200 (CN), 1730 (ester CO), 1790- 1720 and 1719-1690 (CO NAr CO), 1680 (CO amidic).	1.2 (3H, t, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 2.5 (3H, s, CH ₃ -Ar); 3.8 (2H, q, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 4.1 (2H, s, NCH ₂ -Ph); 7.2-8.2 (5H, m, Ar H' s and 1H, NH); 9.6 (2H, br, NH ₂).
7c	3400, 3330 (NH ₂), 2200 (CN), 1730 (ester CO), 1790- 1720 and 1719-1690 (CO NAr CO), 1680 (CO amidic).	1.3 (3H, t, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 2.4 (3H, s, CH ₃ -Ar); 4.0 (2H, q, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 7.2-8.3 (7H, m, Ar H' s and 1H, NH); 9.4 (2H, br, NH ₂).
7d	3400, 3330 (NH ₂), 2200 (CN), 1730 (ester CO), 1790- 1720 and 1719-1690 (CO NAr CO), 1680 (CO amidic).	1.2 (3H, t, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 2.5 (3H, s, CH ₃ -Ar); 3.9 (2H, q, -CH ₂ CH ₃); 7.2-8.4 (4H, m, Ar H' s); 9.5 (2H, br, NH ₂).

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