Supporting Information

Regioselective Synthesis of Novel Nitrosopyrazolylquinoxalines *via* HOAc-Mediated Cyclocondensation of 2-Hydroxyimino-1,3-diketones with Hydrazinylquinoxalines

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General procedure

Preparation of the starting materials. Synthesis of 2-Hydroxyimino-1,3diketones 2a-2k [1].



Synthesis of 3-(hydroxyimino)pentane-2,4-dione (2a). Finely crushed ice (340 g), concentrated hydrochloric acid (60 ml), and acetylacetone (50.21 g, 501.5 mmol) were placed into a beaker equipped with a mechanical stirrer and an ice bath. Sodium nitrite (35 g, 507 mmol) was added in portions to the reaction mass with effective stirring at 0-5 °C. After sodium nitrite was loaded, the reaction mixture was stirred for 30 minutes, the resulting white precipitate was filtered off, washed with cold water (20 ml) and dried. Additional 3-hydroxyminopentan-2,4-dione can be isolated by salting out the filtrate with NaCl (125 g). Purification of 3-hydroxyminopentan-2,4-dione was carried out by recrystallization from ethyl acetate (55 ml). Yield 51.75 g (80%), white crystals, M.p. = 72-74 °C.

Synthesis of 2-(hydroxyimino)-1-phenylbutane-1,3-dione (2b). Sodium nitrite (3.6 g, 52.2 mmol, 1.2 eq.) was slowly added to the solution of 1-phenylbutane-1,3-dione (7.0 g, 43.5 mmol, 1 eq.) in acetic acid (20 ml) at 14 °C. After 2 h the reaction mixture was poured in water, filtered off the precipitate of 2-(hydroxyimino)-1-phenylbutane-1,3-dione, washed with water and dried in air. Yield 6.92 g (84%), white crystals, M.p. = 124-126 °C (EtOH/H₂O).

Synthesis of 1-(4-bromophenyl)-2-(hydroxyimino)butane-1,3-dione (2c). Sodium nitrite (2.15 g, 23.3 mmol, 1.6 eq.) was slowly added to the solution of 1-(4-bromophenyl)butane-1,3-dione (4.68 g, 19.4 mmol, 1 eq.) in acetic acid (46 ml) at 14 °C. After 3 h the reaction mixture was poured in water, filtered off the precipitate of 1- (4-bromophenyl)-2-(hydroxyimino)butane-1,3-dione, washed with water and dried in air. Yield 4.28 g (82 %), white crystals, M.p. = 162 °C (EtOH/H₂O).

Synthesis of 1-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-(hydroxyimino)butane-1,3-dione (2d). Sodium nitrite (0.632 g, 9.2 mmol, 1.2 eq.) was slowly added to the solution of 1-(4-chlorophenyl)butane-1,3-dione (1.5 g, 7.6 mmol, 1 eq.) in acetic acid (25 ml) at 14 °C. After 2.5 h the reaction mixture was poured in water, filtered off the precipitate of 1-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-(hydroxyimino)butane-1,3-dione, washed with water and dried in air. Yield 1.24 g (72 %), light yellow crystals, M.p. = 160-161 °C (EtOH/H₂O).

Synthesis of 1-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-(hydroxyimino)butane-1,3-dione (2e). Sodium nitrite (2.51 g, 36.38 mmol) was slowly added to the solution of 1-(4-fluorophenyl)butane-1,3-dione (5.467 g, 30.37 mmol) in acetic acid (30 ml) at 14 °C. After 2 h the reaction mixture was poured in cold water, filtered off the precipitate of 1-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-(hydroxyimino)butane-1,3-dione, washed with water and dried in air. Yield 5.41 g (85 %), white crystals, M.p. = 144-146 °C (EtOH).

Synthesis of 2-(hydroxyimino)-1-p-tolylbutane-1,3-dione (2f). Sodium nitrite (4.21 g, 61 mmol, 1.2 eq.) was slowly added to the solution of 1-p-tolylbutane-1,3-dione (8.95 g, 50.9 mmol, 1 eq.) in acetic acid (25 ml) at 14 ° C. After 3 h the reaction mixture was poured in water (100 ml), the precipitate of 2-(hydroxyimino)-1-p-tolylbutane-1,3-dione was filtered off, washed with water and dried in air. Yield 9.17 g (88%), white crystals, M.p. = 154-156 °C (EtOH/H₂O).

Synthesis of 2-(hydroxyimino)-1-(naphthalen-1-yl)butane-1,3-dione (2g). Sodium nitrite (2.95 g, 42.7 mmol, 1.2 eq.) was slowly added to the solution of 1- (naphthalen-1-yl)butane-1,3-dione (7.55 g, 35.6 mmol, 1 eq.) in acetic acid (90 ml) at 14 °C. After 4 h the reaction mixture was poured in water (150 ml), filtered off beige precipitate of 2-(hydroxyimino)-1-(naphthalen-1-yl)butane-1,3-dione, washed with water and dried in air. Yield 7.98 g (93 %), beige crystals, M.p. = 166-167 °C (EtOH/H₂O).

Synthesis of 2-(hydroxyimino)-1,3-diphenylpropane-1,3-dione (2i). A solution of 1,3-diphenylpropane-1,3-dione (20.0 g, 89.29 mmol) in chloroform (60 mL) was placed into a beaker equipped with a mechanical stirrer, cooled to 17° C, and then freshly distilled isoamyl nitrite (12.0 g, 113.21 mmol) and absolute ethanol (2 ml) saturated with dry hydrogen chloride were added in 2 portions. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h, then diluted with hexane (60 ml), the precipitate was filtered off, washed with hexane (20 ml) and dried. Yield 19.00 g (84%), white crystals, M.p. = 146 °C [2].

Synthesis of 2-(hydroxyimino)-4-methoxy-1-phenylbutane-1,3-dione (2j). Sodium nitrite (5.84 g, 84.63 mmol) was slowly added to the solution of 4-methoxy-1-phenylbutane-1,3-dione (14.77 g, 76.94 mmol) in acetic acid (60 ml) at 14 °C. After 3 h the reaction mixture was poured in water (250 ml), the precipitate of 2-(hydroxyimino)-4-methoxy-1-phenylbutane-1,3-dione was filtered off, washed with water and dried in air. Yield 12.373 g (73%), beige crystals, M.p. = 129-130 °C.

Synthesis of 2-(hydroxyimino)-4-methoxy-1-(naphthalen-1-yl)butane-1,3-dione (2k). Sodium nitrite (3.795 g, 55.00 mmol) was slowly added to the solution of 4-methoxy-1-(naphthalen-1-yl)butane-1,3-dione (10.635 g, 43.95 mmol) in acetic acid (50 ml) at 14 °C. After 3 h the reaction mixture was poured in water (250 ml), the precipitate of 2-(hydroxyimino)-4-methoxy-1-(naphthalen-1-yl)butane-1,3-dione was filtered off, washed with water and dried in air. Yield 10.38 g (86%), beige crystals, M.p. = 152-153 °C.

General procedure for the synthesis of hydrazone intermediates 3ab-3ag and 5-hydroxypyrazoline intermediate 3ah [3].



The mixture of 3-hydrazinylquinoxalin-2(1H)-one **1a** (0.4 g, 2.27 mmol, 1.0 eq), 2- (hydroxyimino)-1,3-dione **2b-h** (2.27 mmol, 1.0 eq) and glacial acetic acid (7 mL) was stirred during 1 h at 50-55 °C. The reaction mixture was cooled, the resulting precipitate was filtered off, washed with 1 ml of acetic acid, 20 ml of water, and dried. Yields 70-99%, yellow or beige solids. Physical, spectral data and structure for hydrazones 3aa-3ag, 5-hydroxypyrazoline 3ah were described in our recent report [3].

Gram-scale synthesis of nitrosopyrazole 4aa



3-Hydrazinylquinoxalin-2(1H)-one **1a** (5.18 g, 29.4 mmol, 1.0 eq) was dissolved in boiling ethanol (1150 mL), the resulting hot saturated solution was cooled to 60 °C, then 3-(hydroxyimino)pentane-2,4-dione **2a** (4.00 g, 31 mmol, 1.05 eq) and hydrochloric acid (0.2 mL) was added. The resulting solution was stirred for 2 h without heating and then allowed to stand for 72 h. The resulting green crystals were filtered off, washed with ethanol (15 mL) and dried in air. Green crystals, yield 6.25 g (79%); mp 216 °C (dec.)





Method A. The intermediate **3ab-3ah** (0.55 mmol) was suspended in glacial acetic acid (6 mL) and stirred during 5 h at 80 °C. The reaction mixture was filtered, the resulting green filtrate was poured into cold water (35 mL), then sodium chloride (0.6 g) was added and stirred for 1 min. The precipitate was filtered off, washed with water (10 mL) and dried in air. The obtained solid was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (70-230 mesh) using toluene - acetonitrile as eluent (gradient 15:1 - 10:1) to yield the desired product.

Method B. The mixture of 3-hydrazinylquinoxalin-2(1H)-one **1a** (0.097g, 0.55 mmol, 1.0 eq), 2-(hydroxyimino)-1,3-dione **2** (0.55 mmol, 1.0 eq) and glacial acetic acid (6 mL) was stirred during 5 h at 80 °C. The reaction mixture was filtered, the resulting green filtrate was poured into cold water (35 mL), then sodium chloride (0.6 g) was added and stirred during 1 min. The precipitate was filtered off, washed with water

(10 mL) and dried in air. The obtained solid was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (70-230 mesh) using toluene - acetonitrile as eluent (gradient 15:1 - 10:1) to yield the desired product.

compd	R ²	R ³	yield ^[a] , %	yield ^[a] , %	mp, °C
			Method A	Method B	(EtOH)
4ab	Ph	Me	33	39	237-240 (dec.)
4ac	$4-Br-C_6H_4$	Ме	50	49	236-237 (dec.)
4ad	4-CI-C ₆ H ₄	Me	35	37	222-224 (dec.)
4ae	4-F-C ₆ H ₄	Me	58	40	204-207
4af	4-Tolyl	Me	54	47	218-220 (dec.)
4ag	Naphthalen-1-yl	Me	39	44	200-204 (dec.)
4ah	4-Pyridyl	Me	25	traces	251-253 (dec.)

Table 1. Synthesis of nitrosopyrazoles 4ab-4ah

[a] Isolated yield.

Gram-scale synthesis of nitrosopyrazole 4ai



The mixture of 3-hydrazinylquinoxalin-2(1H)-one **1a** (3.872 g, 22 mmol, 1.0 eq), 2-(hydroxyimino)-1,3-diphenylpropane-1,3-dione **2i** (6.123 g, 24.2 mmol, 1.1 eq), acetic acid (40 mL) and TFA (0.2 mL) was stirred during 96 h at 25°C. The resulting yellow precipitate was filtered off and washed with acetic acid (5 mL). Yellow solid was suspended in acetic acid (250 mL) and stirred during 5 hours at 80°C. The hot mixture was filtered and the green filtrate was allowed to stand at 25 °C during 24 h. After the crystallization was completed, the precipitate was filtered off, washed with acetic acid (2 mL), and dried in air. Light green solid, yield 1.73 g (20 %); mp 238-240 °C (dec.) (EtOH).

General procedure for nitrosopyrazoles 4bb-4bf, 4bj, 4bk synthesis



The mixture of 2-hydrazinylquinoxaline **1b** (0.088g, 0,55 mmol, 1.0 eq), 2- (hydroxyimino)-1,3-dione **2** (0.55 mmol, 1.0 eq) and glacial acetic acid (2 mL) was stirred during 1 h at 25 °C. Acetic acid (4 mL) was added to the resulting yellow suspension. The reaction mixture was heated to 80 °C and stirred during 5 h. After cooling down to room temperature, the resulting green solution was poured into water (25 mL) and extracted (CHCl₃, 2*10 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with 5% aqueous NaHCO₃ (10 mL) then brine (10 mL) and dried over Na₂SO₄. The resulting extract was evaporated and chromatographed on a silica gel column (70-230 mesh) using toluene-acetonitrile as eluent (gradient 25:0 - 25:1) to yield the desired product.

compd	R ²	R ³	yield ^[a] , %	mp, °C
4bb	Ph	Ме	78	156-158 (CCl ₄)
4bc	4-Br-C ₆ H ₄	Ме	74	160-162 (CCl ₄)
4bd	4-Cl-C ₆ H ₄	Ме	65	160-162 (CCl ₄)
4be	4-F-C ₆ H ₄	Ме	64	148-150 (CCl ₄)
4bf	4-Tolyl	Ме	65	132-134 (CCl ₄)
4bj	Ph	CH ₂ OMe	86	106-108 (CCl ₄)
4bk	Naphthalen-1- yl	CH ₂ OMe	53	140-142 (CCl ₄)

Table 2.	Synthesis of	nitrosopyrazoles	s 4bb-4bf,	4bj, 4bk
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[a] Isolated yield.

Substrates screening showed the reaction was tolerant to sterically bulky substituents (**4ag**, **4bk**). At the same time, the introduction of electron-donating substituents into hydrazinylquinoxaline should increase the nucleophilicity of the amino group. Taking this into account, we assume successful cyclocondensation when R^1 is an alkyl or an aryl group.

Oxidation of nitrosopyrazoles



Oxidation of 4aa

The mixture of **4aa** (0.162 g, 0.6 mmol), acetic acid (20 mL) and hydrogen peroxide 30% (2 mL) was stirred during 4 h at 50 °C, then the reaction mixture was evaporated to 10 mL and poured into cold water (30 mL). The resulting precipitate was filtered off, washed with water and dried. Beige solid, yield 0.045 g (23%); mp 295-300 °C (dec.) (EtOH).

Oxidation of 4ab

Hydrogen peroxide 30% (2 mL) was added dropwise to a solution of compound **4ab** (0.2 g, 0.6 mmol) in acetic acid (17 mL) and stirred during 4 h at 50 °C, then the reaction mixture was evaporated to 10 mL and poured into cold water (30 mL). The resulting precipitate was filtered off, washed with water, and recrystallized from ethanol. Yellow solid, yield 0.15 g (71%); mp 222-224 °C (EtOH).

Oxidation of 4ai

Hydrogen peroxide 30% (2 mL) was added dropwise to a solution of compound **4ai** (0.237 g, 0.6 mmol) in acetic acid (20 mL) and stirred during 4 h at 50 °C, then the reaction mixture was evaporated to 10 mL and poured into cold water (30 mL). The resulting precipitate was filtered off, washed with water, and recrystallized from ethanol. Beige solid, yield 0.134 g (54%); mp 242-244 °C (EtOH).

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X-Ray crystallography data

The crystal structure data of **4ab** was deposited in CSD (Deposition Number 2224867).



Crystallographic parameters and experimental details of X-ray powder diffraction crystal structure investigation for **4ab**

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b, Å	14.9839(8)	
с, Å	7.2686(5)	
α, (°)	90.0	
β, (°)	111.748(8)	
γ, (°)	90.0	
V _{un.celk} Å ³	1590.254	
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$V/Z, Å^3$	397.5	
$\rho_{calc.}$, g/cm ³	1.384	
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R _{wp} , %	9.5%	
R _{exp} , %	4.7%	
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