

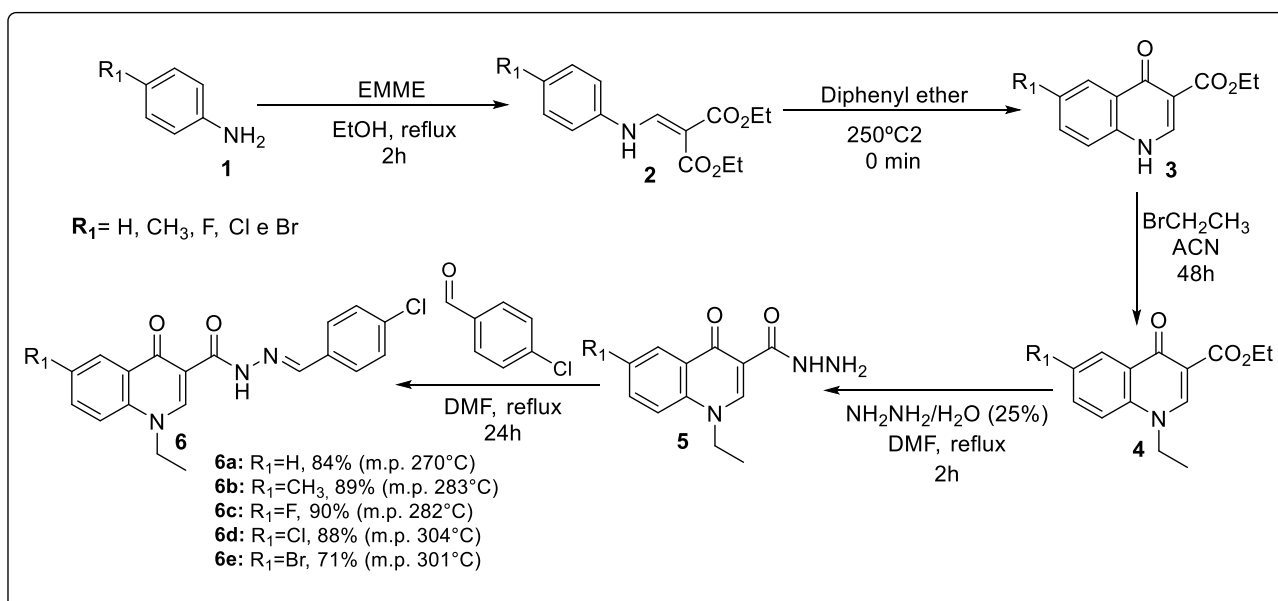
## Synthesis and biological prospecting of 4-quinolone-3-acylhydrazone derivatives as potential anti-HIV-1 candidates

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### ABSTRACT

The development of resistance to Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) reverse transcriptase inhibitors necessitates ongoing research and innovation in antiretroviral therapy.<sup>1,2</sup> Many substances containing the 4-quinolone nucleus have clinical applications as antibacterials, as well as other so-called non-classical activities, such as antiviral properties, with Elvitegravir being an example.<sup>3</sup> In this study, derivatives 4-quinolone-3-acylhydrazones were synthesized and are being evaluated against HIV-1 virus. Initially, substituted anilines (**1a-e**) were subjected to a condensation reaction with diethyl ethoxymethylenemalonate (EMME), followed by thermal cyclization yielding 4-quinolones (**3a-e**). These compounds were then alkylated with bromoethane leading to compounds **4a-e**. Subsequently, these substances were reacted with hydrazine monohydrate to obtain hydrazides **5a-e**. These derivatives, in turn, were reacted with p-chlorobenzaldehyde under acid catalysis, producing **6a-e** (Scheme 1), with yields ranging from 18% to 44%. The structures of these substances were confirmed by spectroscopic data and are currently undergoing biological evaluation.



Scheme 1: Synthetic route for obtaining compounds **6a-e**.

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