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Synthesis and biological prospection of new derivatives 4-quinolone-3hydroxamic acids with potential activity anti-HSV

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ABSTRACT

4-quinolones are studied for their broad biological spectrum¹. In this context Elvitegravir exemplifies a 4quinolone used in clinical HIV treatment. Hydroxamic acids (HA) are studied as antiviral agents due to their coordination properties^{2,3}. Thus, this study aim is to modify the 4-quinolone nucleus by introducing the HA group, resulting in derivatives **3aj** evaluated for their anti-HSV activity. The synthesis initially involved an alkylation reaction of 4-quinolones **1aj** followed by a $S_N 2$ reaction with different alkylation reagents. The HA **3aj** were obtained through nucleophilic displacement on **2aj** previously synthesized, using hydroxylamine solution (NH₂OH) as the nucleophile, prepared *in situ* by treating NH₂OH.HCI with KOH using methanol as solvent (Scheme 1). The synthesis was realized after methodological optimization and the newly **3aj** synthesized were structurally characterized (IR, MS, ¹H, ¹³C NMR and m.p.), yielding 18-67%. Ultimately the HA were subjected to anti-HSV activity tests, showing significant results with inhibition 60% to 100%.



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