



## Contribution of NMR Spectroscopy, Mass Spectrometry and X-Ray Diffractometry Techniques to the Characterization of 2-Chloro-8-methyl-3-formylquinoline

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### ABSTRACT

Quinoline and its analogues have been known to possess diverse pharmacological activities. In the last three decades 2-chloro-8-methyl-3-formylquinoline has been utilized as building blocks for the development of various quinolines fused heteroaryl rings. In this article we report the complete spectral details of 2-chloro-8-methyl-3-formylquinoline. The techniques involved in the characterization of title compounds are various NMR experiments such as HSQC, COSY and HMBC. Molecular weight was determined by FAB-mass spectrometry. The powder XRD study revealed crystal behavior of the title compound.

**Keywords:** HSQC, COSY, HMBC, XRD and 2-chloro-8-methyl-3-formylquinoline.

### INTRODUCTION

Quinoline ring containing compounds exhibit potent biological activities which have been proven by number of recent reports. [1-3] Among various available intermediates of quinoline, 2-chloro-3-formyl-quinoline **1** and its related aldehyde analogues occupy a prominent space due to its ability to undergo further multiple [a], [b] or/and [c]-annulations leading to formation of wide variety of rings. The applications of these methodologies have yielded a large number of new heteroaryl fused quinoline derivatives such as pyrrolo[3,4-c]quinoline, 2*H*-pyrano[2,3-*b*]quinoline, tetrazolo[1,5-*a*]quinoline, isothiazolo[5,4-*b*]quinoline, [4-11] and various new approaches for alkaloids synthesis such as camptothecin [12] (Fig. 1). These intermediates have also been exploited immensely for various functional groups interconversions. [13-14] So far the single crystal analysis of 2-chloro-8-methyl-3-formylquinoline is reported by F. Nawaz Khan *et al.* [15], no one yet made any attempt to present spectral details of the compound. As single crystal analysis and spectral applications are complimentary for the determination of structure, we have aimed in this article to present 2D-NMR (HSQC, COSY, HMBC) details, of 2-chloro-8-methyl-3-formylquinoline (Fig. 2) along with powder XRD and softer ionization mass analyses to confirm

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the basic structure.

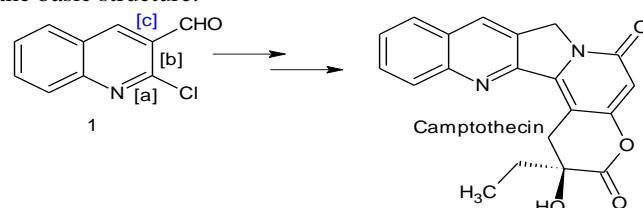


Fig. 1: Synthesis of anticancer natural product Camptothecin starting from 2-chloro-3-formyl-quinoline **1**

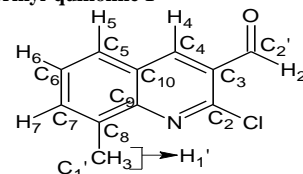


Fig. 2: Structural formula of 2-chloro-8-methyl-3-formylquinoline and position of H and C designated in HMBC

### MATERIAL AND METHODS

All the chemicals required for the synthesis of 2-chloro-8-methyl-3-formylquinoline were procured from E. Merck (Germany). Melting points was determined by the open tube capillary method and is uncorrected. IR spectra were recorded as KBr (pellet) on Bio Rad FT-IR spectrophotometer. C, H, N elemental analysis was carried out on Vario EL III CHNOS-Elementar analyzer and was found to be within the range of  $\pm 0.4\%$ . The title compound 2-chloro-8-methyl-3-formylquinoline needed in the study was prepared as the per the method reported by O. Meth-Cohn *et al.* [16]

**NMR Analysis**

$^1\text{H}$ ,  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR, COSY, HSQC, and HMBC spectrum of 2-chloro-8-methyl-3-formylquinoline was recorded on a Bruker at 300 MHz Bruker (DPX) spectropin spectrophotometer operating at 300 MHz for  $^1\text{H}$  and 75 MHz for  $^{13}\text{C}$  equipped with a 5-mm probe, in deuterated DMSO. Tetramethylsilane (TMS) was used as internal standard and the values of chemical shifts  $\delta$  are expressed in part per million. Splitting patterns are designated as follows: s, singlet; bs, broad singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet.

**Mass Analysis**

The mass spectra of title compounds was recorded using Fast Atom Bombardment (FAB) technique on JEOL SX 102/DA-6000 Mass Spectrometer/ Data System using Xenon (6kV, 10mA) as the FAB gas. The accelerating voltage was 10kV and the spectra were recorded at room temperature. m-Nitrobenzyl alcohol (NBA) was used as the matrix. The matrix peaks appeared at  $m/z$  136, 137, 154, 289, 307.

**X-ray diffractometry (XRD)**

In x-ray studies, an automatic x-ray diffractometer (Philips PW 3710; Eindhoven, The Netherlands) equipped with a PW R30 x-ray generator was used. Nickel-filtered Cu  $\alpha_1$  radiation having a wavelength of 1.5106 Å, operating at 35 kW and 20 mA in the range ( $2\theta$ ) of 5 to 70 degrees, was used. X-ray diffractograms were obtained at a scanning rate of 1 degree ( $2\theta$ ) per minute.

**Table 1: HSQC details of 2-chloro-8-methyl-3-formylquinoline**

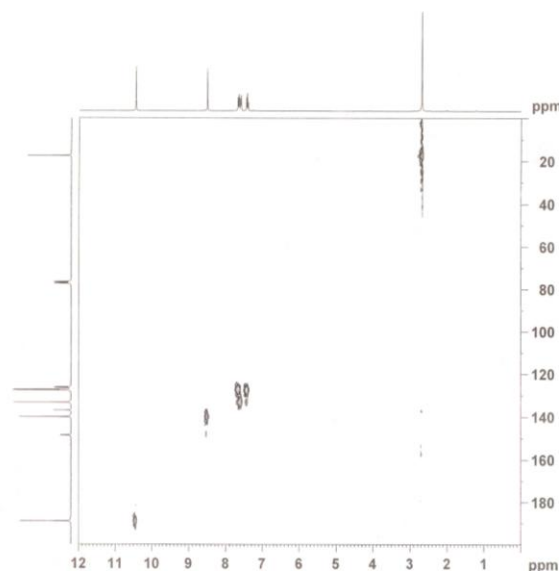
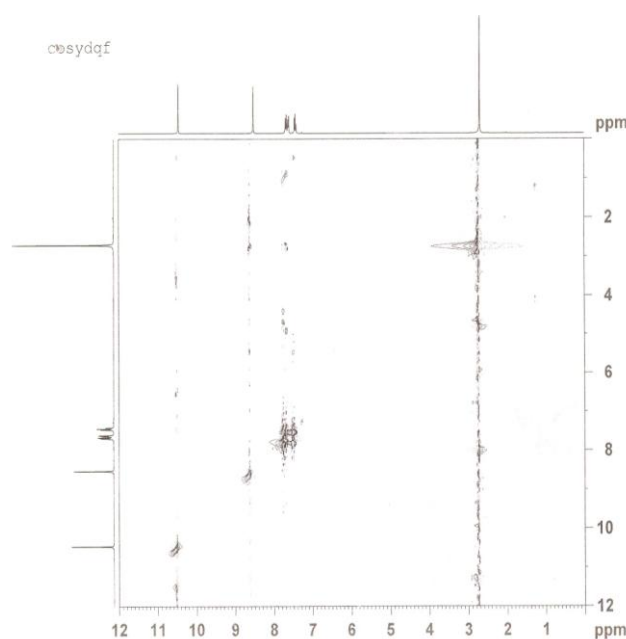
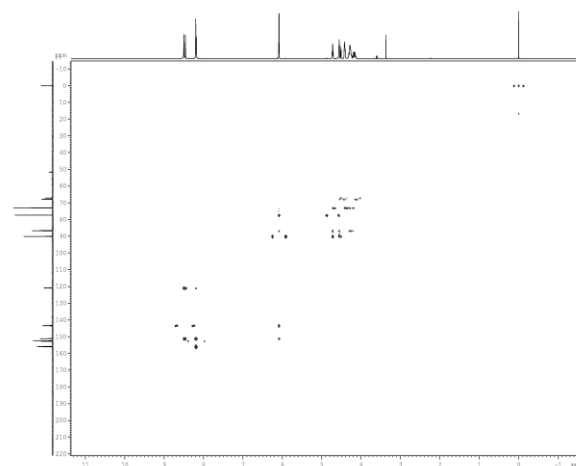
| $^1\text{H}$ ( $\delta$ ) ppm | $^{13}\text{C}$ ( $\delta$ ) ppm | Carbon No.       |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------|
| 2.69 (s)                      | 17.37                            | C <sub>1</sub> ' |
| 8.52 (s)                      | 136.91                           | C <sub>4</sub>   |
| 7.69-7.66 (d)                 | 133.30                           | C <sub>5</sub>   |
| 7.46-7.40 (t)                 | 127.26                           | C <sub>6</sub>   |
| 7.63-7.60 (d)                 | 127.56                           | C <sub>7</sub>   |
| 10.45 (s)                     | 188.83                           | C <sub>2</sub> ' |

**Table 2:  $^1\text{H}$ - $^1\text{H}$  COSY (DQF-COSY) spectrum of 2-chloro-8-methyl-3-formylquinoline**

| Position of (H) | $^1\text{H}$ -NMR ( $\delta$ ) | COSY     |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|----------|
| 1'              | 2.69                           | --       |
| 4               | 8.52                           | --       |
| 5               | 7.69-7.66                      | H-6      |
| 6               | 7.46-7.40                      | H-5, H-7 |
| 7               | 7.63-7.60                      | H-6      |
| 2'              | 10.45                          | ---      |

**RESULTS AND DISCUSSION****HSQC**

The sequential assignment of protons and carbon atoms of 2-chloro-8-methyl-3-formylquinoline was made with the help of HSQC experiment (Table 1 and Figure 3). Starting with the easily distinguishable methyl protons  $\delta_{\text{H}} = 2.69$  (s) showed correlation with  $\delta_{\text{C}} = 17.37$  attributed at position 1'. The next singlet proton  $\delta_{\text{H}} = 8.52$  showed correlation with the carbon  $\delta_{\text{C}} = 136.91$  attributable at position 4'. Similarly, the proton  $\delta_{\text{H}} = 7.69-7.66$  (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz) exhibited correlation with carbon  $\delta_{\text{C}} = 133.30$  assignable at position 5. Another doublet was observed at  $\delta_{\text{H}} = 7.63-7.60$  (d,  $J = 8.1$ ) which showed correlation with carbon  $\delta_{\text{C}} = 127.56$  attributable at position 7. A triplet was observed at chemical shift value  $\delta_{\text{H}} = 7.46-7.40$  (t,  $J = 7.65$ ) assignable at position 6 and correlated with the carbon  $\delta_{\text{C}} = 127.26$ . The highly distinguishable aldehydic protons  $\delta_{\text{H}} = 10.45$  (s) showed correlation with carbon at  $\delta_{\text{C}} = 188.83$  assignable at position 2'.

**Fig. 3: HSQC- Contour plot of 2-chloro-8-methyl-3-formylquinoline****Fig. 4: COSY-DQF-Contour plot of 2-chloro-8-methyl-3-formylquinoline****Fig. 5: HMBC-Contour plot of 2-chloro-8-methyl-3-formylquinoline**

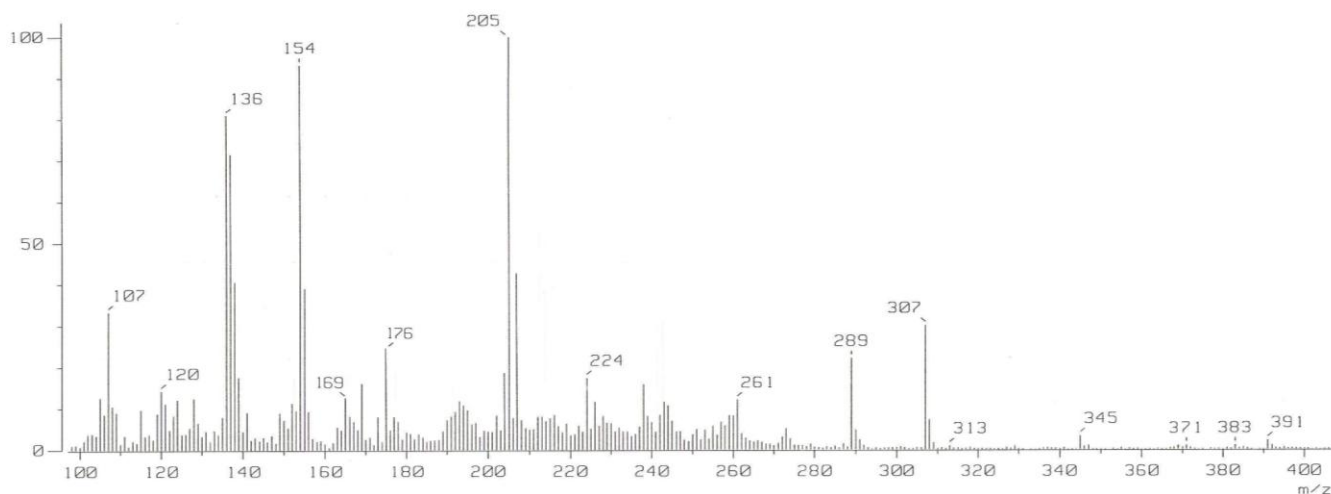


Fig. 6: FAB-MS spectrum of 2-chloro-8-methyl-3-formylquinoline

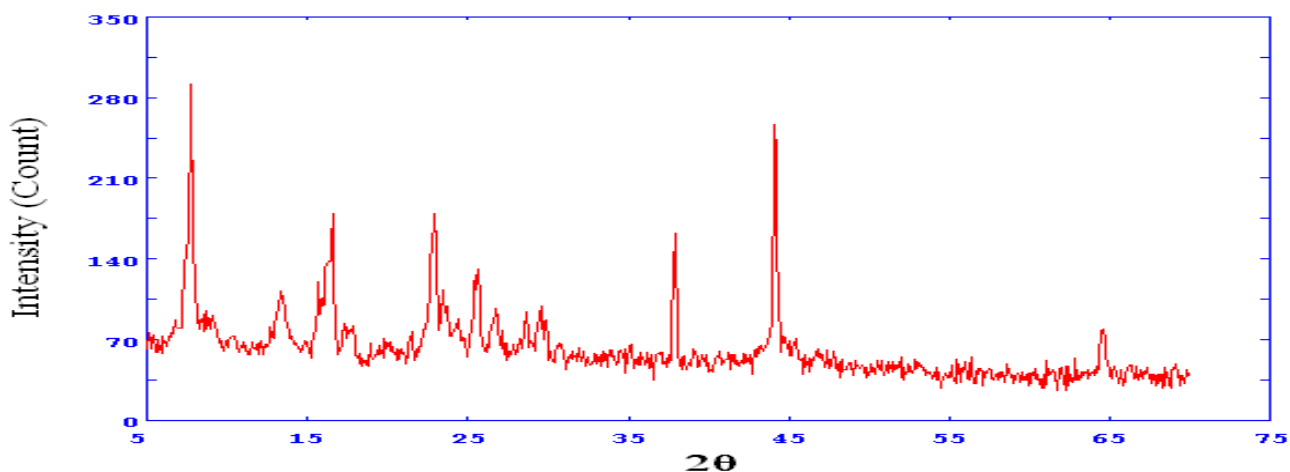


Fig. 7: Powder XRD diffractogram of 2-chloro-8-methyl-3-formylquinoline

Table 3: HMBC correlation data of compound 2-chloro-8-methyl-3-formylquinoline

| Protons | Carbon (ppm) | C1'  | C2   | C3   | C4   | C5   | C6   | C7   | C8   | C9   | C10  | C2'  |
|---------|--------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| H-1'    | 2.69         | --   | --   | --   | --   | --   | --   | 3JCH | 2JCH | 3JCH | --   | --   |
| H-4     | 8.52         | --   | 3JCH | 2JCH | --   | 3JCH | --   | --   | --   | 3JCH | 2JCH | 3JCH |
| H-5     | 7.69-7.66    | --   | --   | --   | 3JCH | --   | 2JCH | 3JCH | --   | 3JCH | 2JCH | --   |
| H-6     | 7.46-7.40    | --   | --   | --   | --   | 2JCH | --   | 2JCH | 3JCH | --   | 3JCH | --   |
| H-7     | 7.63-7.60    | 3JCH | --   | --   | --   | 3JCH | 2JCH | --   | 2JCH | 3JCH | --   | --   |
| H-2'    | 10.45        | --   | 3JCH | 2JCH | 3JCH | --   | --   | --   | --   | --   | 3JCH | --   |

#### <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H COSY (DQF-COSY)

In <sup>1</sup>H-H COSY (DQF-COSY) experiment (Figure 4), the proton exhibited chemical shift values  $\delta_H = 2.69$  did not correlate with any other proton. At position 4, the proton having chemical shift value  $\delta_H = 8.52$  did not show any correlation. The proton positioned at 5, owing chemical shift value  $\delta_H = 7.69-7.66$  showed correlation with H-6. Similarly, the number six proton displayed correlation with two different protons positioned at 5 and 6. The H-7 chemical shift value  $\delta_H = 7.63-7.60$  exhibited correlation with H-6 only. The 2' did not show any correlation (Table 2).

#### HMBC

In HMBC two bond correlations (2JCH) are almost always found, the three bond correlation (3JCH) are occasionally absent (Figure 5). As proceeding parallel to the carbon column we got the following results (Table 3).

1. The H-1' protons ( $\delta_H = 2.69$ ) showed correlation with C7 (3JCH), C8 (2JCH) and C9 (3JCH) carbon atom.

2 The H-4 proton ( $\delta_H = 8.52$ ) displayed multiple correlation such as C2 (3JCH), C3 (2JCH), C5 (3JCH), C9 (3JCH), C10 (2JCH) and C2'(3JCH) respectively.

3 Similarly H-5 proton exhibited correlation with carbon atoms C4 (3JCH), C6 (2JCH), C7 (3JCH), C9 (3JCH) and C10 (2JCH).

4 The H-6 proton correlated with carbon atoms C5 (2JCH), C7 (2JCH), C8 (3JCH) and C10 (3JCH) respectively.

5 The multiple correlation was observed between H-7 proton ( $\delta_H = 7.63-7.60$ ) and carbon atoms C1' (3JCH), C5 (3JCH), C6 (2JCH), C8 (2JCH), and C9 (3JCH) respectively.

6 The aldehydic proton also displayed multiple correlation with the carbon atoms C2 (3JCH), C3 (2JCH), C4 (3JCH) and C10 (3JCH) respectively. As proceeding parallel to the proton column we got the similar results e.g. C1' carbon atom showed only one correlation with proton H-7 (3JCH). Similarly C2 exhibited two correlation with protons H-4 (2JCH) and H-2' (3JCH).

**FAB-MS**

The mass spectrum of 2-chloro-8-methyl-3-formylquinoline using FAB-MS registered  $M^+$  peak at  $m/z$  205 (100 %) and  $M+2$  peak at  $m/z$  207 (30 %) due presence of chlorine atom (Figure 6), the spectrum also shows  $M+H$  peak at  $m/z$  206 (10 %). A small peak due loss of  $H^+$  ion, was appeared at 204 (20 %) and peak at  $m/z$  176 may be attributed due to loss of -CHO from the molecular ion. A fragment peak at  $m/z$  169 was also observed in the spectrum which expected to appear due to loss of HCl from the molecular ion.

**Powder XRD**

Figure 7 shows the powder XRD patterns of powder 2-chloro-8-methyl-3-formylquinoline. The XRD diffractogram of 2-chloro-8-methyl-3-formylquinoline contained sharp peaks indicating good crystallinity. The height of peaks varies with different  $2\theta$  values. This diffractogram may serve as a finger print for the characterization of this compound.

In the article we have presented correlation spectroscopic details of 2-chloro-8-methyl-3-formylquinoline. The HMBC studies indicate that all H-5, H-6 H-7 proton shows multiple correlation with carbon atoms.

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