

## Synthesis of New 7-ethyl-4-methyl-2-Quinolone Derivatives

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### Abstract

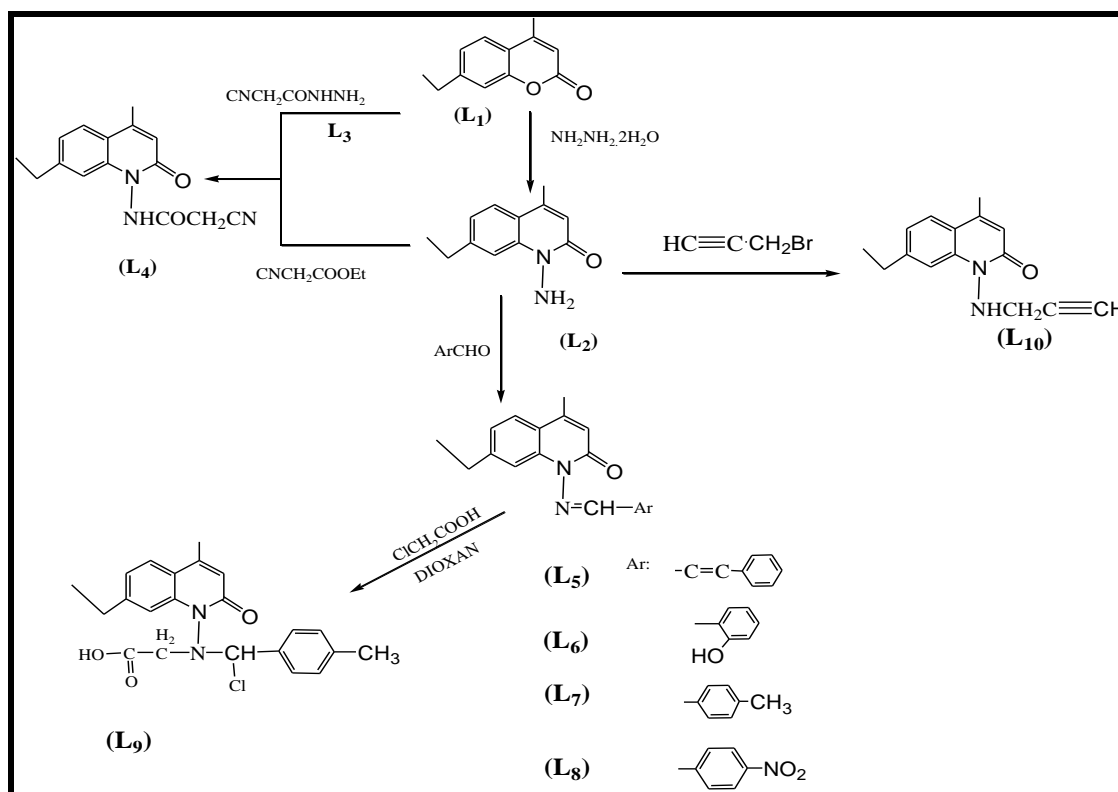
A series of new derivatives of 7-ethyl-4-methyl quinoline-2-one were synthesized, by cyclization reaction of m-ethyl phenol with ethylacetoacetate in the presence of sulfuric acid to yield 7-ethyl-4-methyl coumarin, which was chosen as the starting material and it was treated with hydrazine hydrate 80% to give a new compound 1-amino-4 methyl-7- ethyl quinoline-2(1H)-one. The later compound introduced in different synthetic methods to produce new 4-methyl-7-ethyl-2-quinolone derivatives containing amide, imine, and acetylenic groups (L4-L10). Synthesized compounds were characterized by FT-IR, <sup>1</sup>H-NMR, <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra and by measuring some of their physical properties. [DOI: [10.22401/ANJS.00.2.04](https://doi.org/10.22401/ANJS.00.2.04)]

### 1. Introduction

Quinolones (carbostyrils or 1-azacoumarins) are among the most popular N-heteroaromatic compounds that are isosteric with coumarins and isomeric to 4-quinolone; these compounds would likely be potential candidates for antibacterial activity<sup>(1)</sup>, potential topoisomerase inhibitor anticancer agents<sup>(2)</sup> antimicrobial<sup>(3)</sup>, anti-inflammatory<sup>(4)</sup>,

antimalarial<sup>(5)</sup>, antifungal<sup>(6)</sup>, antitubercular<sup>(7)</sup>, and others.

Quinolones were applied as new drugs for Alzheimer's Disease<sup>(8)</sup>, activity against Trypanosoma brucei<sup>(9)</sup>. The large number of compounds derived from quinolones with various activities pharmacological encouraging us continued preparation and find others that could serve in biological activities as shown in scheme 1.



Scheme 1 Synthesis of New 7-ethyl-4-methyl-2-Quinolone Derivatives.

## 2. Materials and Methods

### **Instruments:**

The FT-IR spectra in the range (4000–400)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  were recorded on a Shimadzu FT-IR 8300 Spectrophotometer.  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  and  $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$  spectra (solvent DMSO- $d_6$ ) were recorded on a Bruker-DPX 400 MHz spectrometer with TMS as internal standard at Isfahan University. Melting points were determined on a Gallen-kamp MFB-600 melting point apparatus and were uncorrected. Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) in (7:3 ratio of hexane: ethyl acetate) as the mobile phase was performed on plates precoated with silica gel (Merck 60 F254, 0.25 mm) and was visualized with ultraviolet light.

### **Chemicals:**

Starting chemical compounds were obtained from BDH, Sigma Aldrich and Fluka and were used as received without further purification.

### **Synthesis of 4-methyl-7-ethyl coumarin and 1-amino-4-methyl-7-ethyl-1H-quinoline-2-one (L1&L2):**

Titled compounds were synthesized according to literature [10]. Their physical properties are listed in Table 1.

### **Synthesis of cyanoacetohydrazide (L3)<sup>[11]</sup>:**

Titled compound was synthesized according to literature [11]. The physical properties are listed in Table 1.

### **Synthesis of 2-Cyano-N-(7-ethyl-4-methyl-2-oxo-2H-quinolin-1-yl)-acetamide L4:**

Titled compound was synthesized according to the two different ways:

#### **Method 1**

To a solution of compound L1 (2.5gm, 0.0131 mole) in 25 ml DMF, cyanoacetohydrazide L3 (1.49 gm, 0.015 mole) was added, and refluxed for 24 h. Then cooled, poured on ice/water, the resulting product was filtered off, then recrystallized from acetone : water (10:1). To give a white powder, yield of 75%  $R_f = 0.5$ . Physical properties of compound L4 are listed in Table 1.

#### **Method 2**

To a solution of compound L2 (2.5gm, 0.0131mole) in 25ml DMF, ethyl

cyanoacetate (1.4 gm, 0.0131 mole) was added, and refluxed for 10h. Then the resulting solution was cooled, poured on ice water. The formed solid was filtered off, and recrystallized from acetone: water the physical properties are listed in Table 1.

### **Synthesis of 7-Ethyl-4-methyl-1-[(arylidene)-amino]-1H-quinolin-2-one (L5-L8):**

A mixture of cinnamaldehyde/salicylaldehyde/4-methylbenzaldehyde and 4-nitrobenzaldehyde (0.015mole) and compound (L2) (0.015mole) in absolute ethanol (25ml) in the presence of (4 drops) of glacial acetic acid was refluxed for (8-10h.). The progress of the reaction was monitored by T.L.C hexane: ethylacetate (7:3) after complete the period of time, the mixture was cooled and poured into ice/cold water (2g). The precipitated compounds were filtered off, and recrystallized from suitable solvents.

The physical properties of compounds [L5-L8] are listed in Table 1.

### **Synthesis of (Chloro-p-tolyl-methyl)-(7-ethyl-4-methyl-2-oxo-2H-quinolin-1-yl)-carbamic acid L9:**

To a solution of appropriate Schiff base derivative (L7) (0.013 mole) in dioxane (50 ml.), mono chloroacetic acid ((2,2),(1)) ml., 0.013 mole) was added. The mixture was refluxed for (13 hrs.), then cooled, the formed precipitate was filtered off, and recrystallized from Acetone: water as solvent. The physical properties of compound (L9) are listed in Table 1.

### **Synthesis of 7-Ethyl-4-methyl-1-prop-2-nylamino-1H-quinolin-2-oneL10:**

A solution of compound L2 (0.01 mole, 2 g) in alcoholic potassium hydroxide (4M) was refluxed for (0.5 h), then (0.01 mole, 0.86 ml) of propargyl bromide was added, and refluxed for 3 h. After cooling the mixture, the solid product was filtered off, and recrystallized from Ethanol:  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (10:1). The physical properties are listed in Table 1.

## Results and Discussions

The condensation of ethyl acetoacetate with an equimolar amount of m-methyl phenol in the presence of conc. sulfuric acid under Pechmann condensation reaction

produced coumarin derivative (L1). The substitution of phenol at the meta position with electron donating groups ( $-C_2H_5$ ), cause an increase in the reactivity of the carbon at the ortho position to the hydroxyl group and at para position of the substituent

The FTIR spectrum of compound (L1) showed the appearance of characteristic strong absorption band at  $(1728) \text{ cm}^{-1}$  due to  $(C=O)$  band of the lactone ring. Table 2 [12]

The  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  spectrum of compound (L1) showed the proton a signal due to two groups of  $\text{CH}_3$  were recorded at 1.2 and 2.6 ppm, a signal at 2.8 ppm due to  $\text{CH}_2$  and signals at 7.3-7.8 ppm due to three aromatic protons and singlet signal at 6.3 ppm for one proton of the lactone ring Table 3 Figure 1

While the  $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$  spectrum for the same compound showed signals at 15.1, 18 and 27.9 ppm for two groups of  $\text{CH}_3$ , and  $\text{CH}_2$  the signals at 113.3, 115.2, 117.3, 124.2, 125.1, 148.8, 153.2 and 153.9 ppm due to aromatic carbons and 159.9 ppm for carbonyl carbon (see Table 4 and Figure 2).

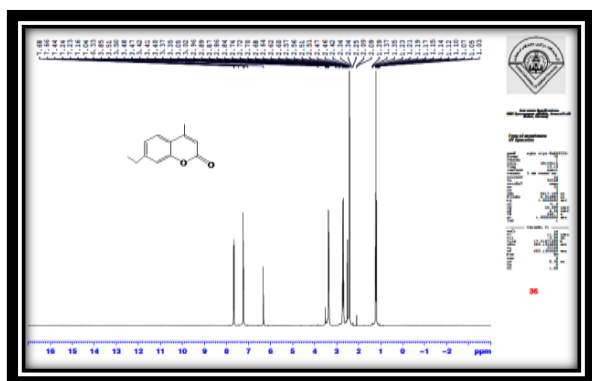


Fig.(1)  $^1\text{HNMR}$  spectrum for compound [L1].

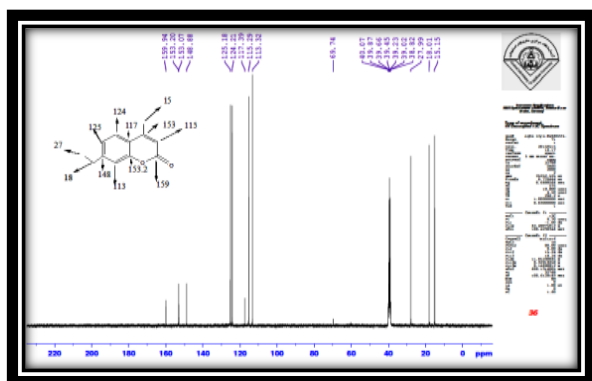


Fig.(2)  $^{13}\text{CNMR}$  spectrum for compound [L1].

The FTIR spectrum of compound (L2) showed the appearance of characteristic

absorption bands at  $(3267)$  and  $(3198) \text{ cm}^{-1}$  which belonging to asymmetric and symmetric to the  $\text{NH}_2$  and band at  $(1664) \text{ cm}^{-1}$  due to the lactam group  $\nu C=O$ . See Table 2.

The  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  spectrum of compound (L2) showed triplet signal at 1.1 ppm for three protons of methyl groups ( $\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_3$ ), singlet signal at 2.7 ppm for methyl groups of lactam ring ( $\text{Ar}-\text{CH}_3$ ), quartet signal at 2.5 ppm for methylene group ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), singlet signal at 5.9 ppm for two protons of ( $\text{NH}_2$ ), and signals at 6.6-9.3 ppm for four aromatic protons. See Table 3 Figure 3.

$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$  spectrum of compound (L2) showed signals at 15, 24.7 and 27.65 ppm for aliphatic protons and showed signals at 113, 115.5, 115.6, 118.1, 125.7, 126.9, 143.7 and 155.3 ppm for aromatic carbons, and 155.5 ppm for carbonyl group (see Table 4 and Figure 4).

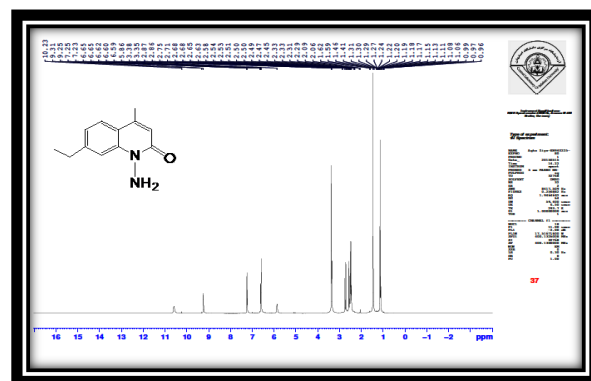


Fig.(3)  $^1\text{HNMR}$  spectrum for compound [L2].

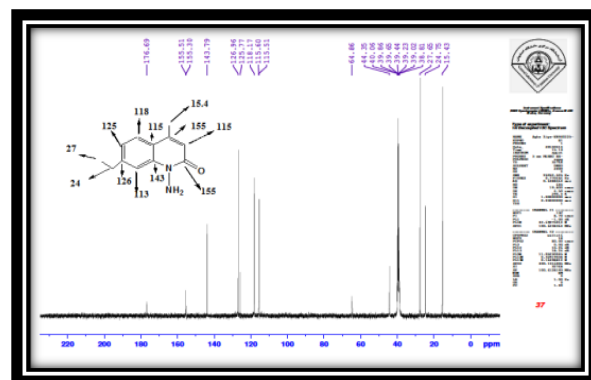
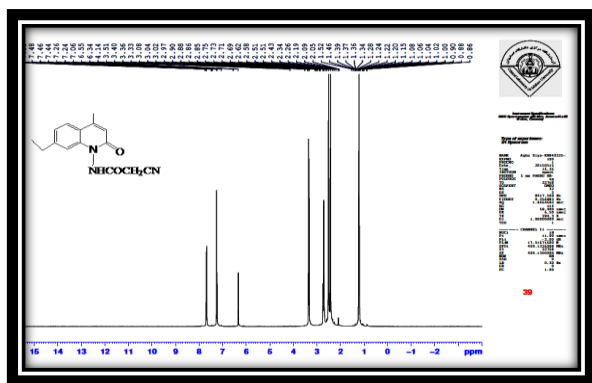


Fig.(4)  $^{13}\text{CNMR}$  spectrum for compound [L2].

Acid hydrazid compound L3 was prepared via treatment of ethylcyanoacetate with excess of hydrazine hydrate (80%) in absolute ethanol was reacted with coumarin (L1) to produce compound (L4).

The FTIR spectrum of compound L4 showed absence of characteristic absorption bands for  $\nu$  NH<sub>2</sub> and the appearance of the characteristic absorption band at 3214 cm<sup>-1</sup> which belong to the  $\nu$  NH and other bands at 1726 cm<sup>-1</sup> and 1678 cm<sup>-1</sup> due to carbonyl lactam group and carbonyl amide [L3]  $\nu$ (C=O) (Table 2).

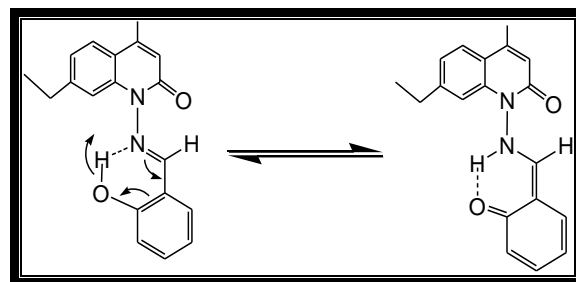
The <sup>1</sup>HNMR spectrum of compound [L4] showed singlet signal at 3.36 ppm due to two protons of CH<sub>2</sub> and 6.35-7.77 ppm due to aromatic protons and the proton of NH group (Table 3 and Figure 5).



**Fig.(5) <sup>1</sup>HNMR spectrum for compound [L4].**

The synthesized amino compound (L2) was treated with different substituted aromatic aldehydes led to the formation of Schiff bases of the title compounds (L5-L8)

The FTIR spectra of compounds (L5-L8) were confirmed by the absence of absorption band for ( $\nu$ NH<sub>2</sub>) and appearance of new absorption bands at (1608-1654) cm<sup>-1</sup> due to ( $\nu$ C=N) stretching the spectrum showed other bands at (1666-1670) cm<sup>-1</sup> and (1633-1573) cm<sup>-1</sup> due to  $\nu$ (C=O) amide of lactam and  $\nu$ (C=C) respectively. The presence of OH group in ortho position to the imine group involved in intramolecular hydrogen bonding for compound L6 gave the (OH) as shallow and not defined as shown in figure 6 [14].



**Fig.(6)**

The FTIR spectral data of compounds (L5-L8) were listed in Table 2 and Figure 7.

<sup>1</sup>HNMR spectrum of compound (L7) showed signals at (7.31-8.9) ppm for aromatic protons of aryl groups and benzylic proton and singlet signal at 2.2ppm for three protons of tolene group (CH<sub>3</sub>) (see Table 3 and Figure 7).

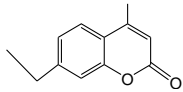
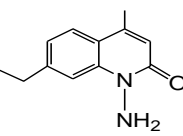
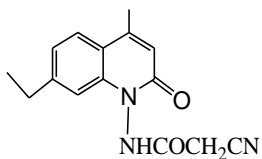
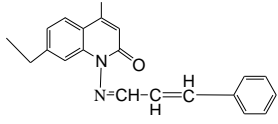
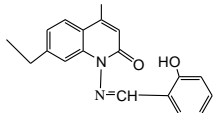
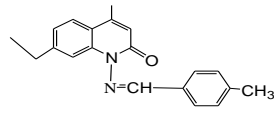
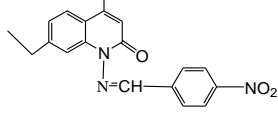
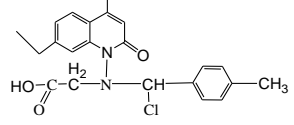
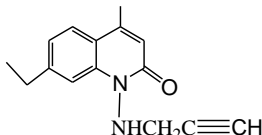
<sup>1</sup>HNMR spectrum of compound (L8) showed a new signal observed at 8.8 ppm integrating for (CH=N), signals at (8.27-8.9) ppm for aromatic protons of aryl groups (Table 3 and Figure 8).

The reaction between the Schiff bases derivative L7 with chloroacetic acid in dioxane gave compound L9 the mechanism of this reaction involved nucleophilic attack of nitrogen on the carbon bearing chloro atom and the chloride added to the other side on the carbon of the imine group as shown The FTIR spectrum of compound L9 showed disappearance of  $\nu$ (C=N) and appearance of the new absorption broad band at 3000-3400 cm<sup>-1</sup> due to ( $\nu$ -OH) of carboxylic acid group Table 2.

Synthesis of compound L10 was performed by the reaction of 1-amino-4-methyl-7-ethyl-1H-quinolin-2-one with propargyl bromide under refluxing condition in the presence of potassium hydroxide.

The FTIR spectrum of the synthesized compound L10 showed an absorption band at 3449 cm<sup>-1</sup> for ( $\nu$ NH), 3354 for( $\nu$  H-C=), 2298 cm<sup>-1</sup> for ( $\nu$ C=C), and 1655 cm<sup>-1</sup> for ( $\nu$  C=O) of lactam ring. All spectral data of synthesized compounds (L10) were listed in Table 2.

Table 1: Physical properties of synthesized compounds (L1-L10)

Comp. No.	Structures	M.P. °C	Color	Purification solvent	Yield %	R <sub>f</sub> (hexane:ethyl acetate) 7:3
L1		70-72	white	Benzene	75	0.64
L2		179-180	Off white	Benzene or toluene	60	0.298
L3	CNCOCH <sub>2</sub> CONHNH <sub>2</sub>	110-112	white	Ethanol	75	0.091
L4		75-76	Yellow	Acetone: water (10: 1)	62	0.5
L5		176-178-	Yellow	Ethanol :water (9:1)	62	0.89
L6		228-230	Yellow	Ethanol	60	0.7
L7		150-151	Pale yellow	Ethanol :water (5:1)	70	0.86
L8		315-316	yellow	Benzene	85	0.875
L9		160-161	Brown	Acetone :water	52	0.767
L10		304dec	Brown	Ethanol	62	0.2

**Table 2: FTIR data of synthesized compounds (L1-L10)**

Comp. No.	$\nu\text{NH}_2$	$\nu\text{CH}$ Aromatic	$\nu\text{CH}$ Aliphatic	$\nu\text{C=O}$	$\nu\text{C=N}$	$\nu\text{C=C Ar.}$	C–N	Other bands
L1	–	3059	2960 2930	1728	1618		–	C–O–C 1259
L2	3267 3198	3053	2991; 2961	1664		1622	1346	
L3	3344 3281, 3179	3056	2978; 2930	1684		1618	1388	$\nu\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$ 2261
L4	3214	3057	2964; 2872	1726, 1678		1616;158 0	1384	2344
L5	–	3028	2926	1666	1654	1633	1363	–
L6	–	3101 3043	2849 2900	1623	1623	1573	1392	–
L7	–	3030	2925 2918 2853	1623	1608	1609	1321	<i>p</i> -sub 818
L8	–	3100	2843; 2915	1635	1630	1596	1380	$\text{NO}_2$ 1519&1346 <i>p</i> -sub 839
L9	–	3010	2977 2883	1751 acid 1640 lactam		1558		851 $\nu\text{C-Cl}$ 3000-2400 $\nu(\text{OH})$
L10	3449		2980	1655		1560	1369	3354 $\nu(\text{C}\equiv\text{CH})$ 2298 $\nu\text{C}\equiv\text{C}$

**Table 3:  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  of some synthesized compounds (L1, L2, L4, L7 and L8)**

Comp. No.	$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (ppm)
L1	1.2(t,3H,CH <sub>3</sub> ), 2.6(s,3H,CH <sub>3</sub> ), 2.8(q,2H,CH <sub>2</sub> ), 6.3(s,1H, H lactone ring), 7.3-7.8(m,3H,Ar-H),
L2	1.1(t,3H,CH <sub>3</sub> ), 2.5(q,2H,CH <sub>2</sub> ), 2.7(s,3H, Ar-CH <sub>3</sub> ), 5.9(s, 2H, NH <sub>2</sub> ), 6.6-9.3(m, 4H, Ar-H)
L4	6.35-7.77(m,4H Ar-H and NH), 1.22(t,3H,CH <sub>3</sub> ), 2.73(q,2H, CH <sub>2</sub> ), 2.4(s,3H,CH <sub>3</sub> ),3.36(s,2H,CH <sub>2</sub> )
L7	1.2 (t,3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ), 2.2 (s,3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ), 2.4 (s,3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ), 2.67 (q,2H,CH <sub>2</sub> ) 7.31-8.90 (m,8H, Ar-H) and benzylic proton
L8	1.15 (t,3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ), 2.51 (s,3H, CH <sub>3</sub> ), 2.57 (q,2H,CH <sub>2</sub> ) 8.27-8.90 (m,Ar-H), 8.8 (s,1H,N=CH)

**Table 4:  $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$  for some preparing compounds (L1 & L2)**

Comp.No.	$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (ppm)
L1	15.1,18.0, 27.9,113,115.2,117.3,124.2,125.1,148.8,153.2,153.9,159.9
L2	15.4, 24.7, 27.6, 113, 115.5, 115.6, 118.1, 125.7, 126.9, 143.7, 155.3, 155.5

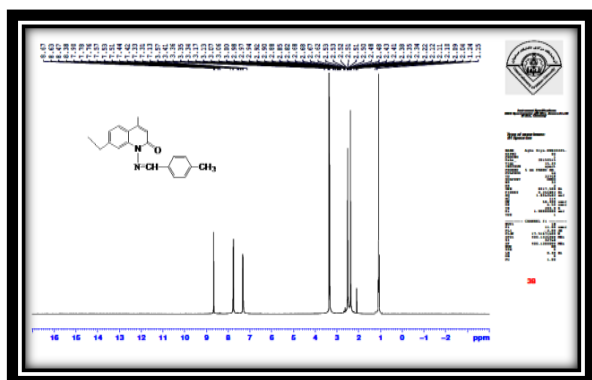


Fig.(7) <sup>1</sup>HNMR spectrum for compound [L7].

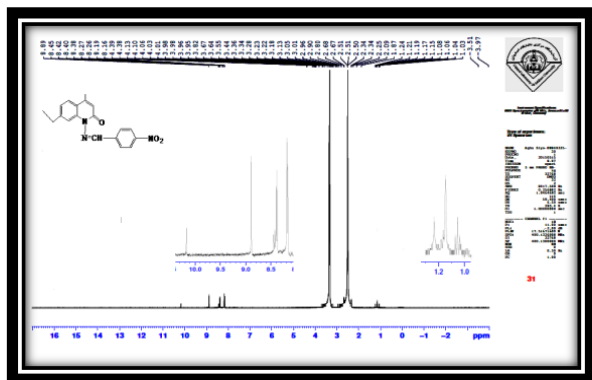


Fig.(8) <sup>1</sup>HNMR spectrum for compound [L8].

## Conclusion

New N-heteroaromatic compounds were synthesized starting from 7-ethyl-4-methyl-2-coumarin in a good yield the isolated compounds were characterized by FT-IR, <sup>1</sup>H-NMR, <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra and by measuring some of their physical properties

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