



Article Isoxazolidine Conjugates of N3-Substituted 6-Bromoquinazolinones—Synthesis, Anti-Varizella-Zoster Virus, and Anti-Cytomegalovirus Activity

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Abstract: 1,3-Dipolar cycloaddition of *N*-methyl *C*-(diethoxyphosphoryl) nitrone to N3-substituted 6-bromo-2-vinyl-3*H*-quinazolin-4-ones gave (3-diethoxyphosphoryl) isoxazolidines substituted at C5 with quinazolinones modified at N3. All isoxazolidine cycloadducts were screened for antiviral activity against a broad spectrum of DNA and RNA viruses. Several isoxazolidines inhibited the replication of both thymidine kinase wild-type and deficient (TK⁺ and TK⁻) varicella-zoster virus strains at EC₅₀ in the 5.4–13.6 μ M range, as well as human cytomegalovirus (EC₅₀ = 8.9–12.5 μ M). Isoxazolidines *trans*-11b, *trans*-11c, *trans*-11e, *trans*-11f, *trans*-11g, *trans*-11h, and *trans*-11i/*cis*-11i exhibited moderate cytostatic activity towards the human lymphocyte cell line CEM (IC₅₀ = 9.6–17 μ M).

Keywords: phosphonate; isoxazolidine; quinazolinones; antiviral; cytostatic

1. Introduction

Herpesviruses are enveloped, icosahedral viruses containing double-stranded DNA. What fundamentally distinguishes herpesviruses from others is the ability to establish latent infection and reactivating when the host immune system is impaired. Human cytomegalovirus (HCMV) and varicella zoster virus (VZV) belong to the family of herpesviruses which cause infections usually acquired in childhood [1–3]. For the treatment of viral infections caused by herpesviruses, including VZV and HCMV, several drugs, such as acyclovir (e.g., *Zovirax*), valacyclovir (e.g., *Valtrex*), famciclovir (e.g., *Famvir*), brivudin (e.g., *Zostex*, *Helpin*), and ganciclovir (e.g., *Cymevene*), have been used [3–5].

Despite the wide range of available drugs, effective treatment of viral infections is still limited. This is mainly due to the specificity of viral infections and the ability of viruses to mutate, which is associated with the acquisition of drug resistance. Therefore, new compounds with potential biological activity are being sought all the time. Quinazolinone and its derivatives have been extensively studied because of their wide range of biological activities, including antiviral [6], anticancer [7,8], antifungal [9], antibacterial [10,11], antitubercular [12,13], anti-inflammatory [11,14], anticonvulsant [15], hypolipidemic [16], analgesic [17], or immunotropic properties [18].

The antiviral activity of compounds containing the C6-substituted quinazolin-4-one framework has been discovered in recent years (Figure 1). For example, 5-bromo-2-(6-bromo-4-oxo-2-phenyl-4*H*-quinazolin-3-yl)-benzoic acid **1** was reported to possess distinct antiviral activity against

both herpes simplex viruses 1 and 2 (HSV-1 and HSV-2) and vaccinia virus (VACV) (EC₅₀ = 12 μ g/mL) [19], whereas compound **2** exhibited activity against vaccinia virus in E₆SM cell cultures (MIC of 1.92 μ g/mL) [20]. Another analogue, i.e., 2-methyl-3-(substituted-benzalamino)-4(3*H*)-quinazolinone **3**, was found to exhibit antiviral activity against tobacco mosaic virus (TMV) in vivo. Compound **3** showed curative effects of 54%, which was slightly higher than that of a reference drug, Ningnanmycin [21]. Very recently quinazolin-4(3*H*)-ones **4**–**6** were synthesized and evaluated for inhibitory action on the replication of influenza A virus (H₅N₁), as well as to test toxicity on in vitro cell lines. In general, quinazolin-4(3*H*)-ones containing a chalcone skeleton **4**, thiosemicarbazone **5**, and hydrazide **6** showed moderate antiviral activity against H₅N₁ (inhibition rate: 38%, 47%, 25%, respectively, for **4**, **5**, **6**) compared to a reference drug, Zanamivir [22]. In addition, compounds **7** and **8** possessing a nitro group at C6 were reported as potent inhibitors of Venezuelan Equine Encephalitis Virus (VEEV) (EC₅₀ = 0.8 μ M, CC₅₀ = 50 μ M) [23]. Quinazolinone (*aS*)-**9** displayed high selectivity for PI4KIII α and appeared to be potent inhibitors of hepatitis C virus (HCV) replication in vitro. Moreover, compound (*aS*)-**9** exhibited higher potency for PI4KIII α than its atropisomer *aR* (pIC₅₀ of 8.3 vs. 6.9) and an improved selectivity range (2.7–3.2 vs. 1.4–2.1) against the other lipid kinases [24].



Figure 1. Examples of C6-substituted quinazolinone derivatives with antiviral activity.

Recently, we have succeeded in synthesis of a series of quinazolinones substituted at C3 with a (diethoxyphosphoryl)isoxazolidine moiety **10**. Several of the synthesized analogues exhibited moderate activity against varicella zoster virus (VZV) and human cytomegalovirus (HCMV) [25]. On the basis of these observations, and in continuation of our search for new biologically active compounds [25], a novel series of quinazolinone derivatives of general formula **11** having an isoxazolidine ring at C2, different substituents at N3, and an additional bromine atom at C6 was

synthesized. The synthetic strategy for our new isoxazolidine-conjugates of quinazolinones relies on the 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition of *N*-methyl-*C*-(diethoxyphosphoryl)nitrone **12** [26] with selected 6-bromo-2-vinyl-3*H*-quinazolin-4-ones **13** (Scheme 1).



Scheme 1. Retrosynthesis of isoxazolidine conjugates of 6-bromoquinazolinones.

2. Results and Discussion

2.1. Chemistry

The respective 3-substituted 6-bromo-2-vinyl-3*H*-quinazolin-4-ones **13a**–**k** were synthesized starting from the commercially available isatoic acid anhydride, which was first reacted with bromine and then transformed into 5-bromoanthranilic acid amide **14** according to the procedure in the literature [27,28]. Reaction 5-bromoanthranilic acid amide **14** with 3-chloropropionyl chloride followed by cyclization and dehydrohalogenation led to the formation of 6-bromo-2-vinyl-3*H*-quinazolin-4-one **13a**, which was then used as a key intermediate in the preparation of N3-substituted derivatives **13b–13k** via alkylation with the respective benzyl bromides, as well as with methyl or ethyl iodide [29] (Scheme 2).



Scheme 2. Synthesis of 3-substituted 6-bromo-2-vinylquinazolinones 13a–13k. Reaction and conditions: a. 3-chloropropionyl chloride, 1,4-dioxane, 0 °C; b. 5% NaOH–EtOH (2:1); c. RBr, KOH, 105 °C; d. MeI or EtI, KOH, CH₃CN, 60 °C.

The 1,3-dipolar cycloadditions of nitrone **12** with the respective 6-bromo-2-vinylquinazolinones **13a–13k** were carried out at 70 °C in toluene and afforded mixtures of diastereoisomeric isoxazolidines *trans*-**11a–11k** and *cis*-**11a–11k** (Scheme 3, Table 1). Ratios of trans/cis diastereoisomers were determined on the basis of the ³¹P-NMR spectra of crude products and confirmed by the analysis of ¹H-NMR spectra data. In all cases good trans/cis diastereoselectivities were observed (in the range of 76–88%) and *trans*-isomers predominated. The mixtures of isoxazolidine cycloadducts were separated chromatographically on silica gel. The isolation of pure isomers was successfully accomplished for the major isomers *trans*-**11a** (R = H), *trans*-**11b** (R = C₆H₅CH₂), *trans*-**11c** (R = 2-NO₂-C₆H₄-CH₂), *trans*-**11d** (R = 3-NO₂-C₆H₄-CH₂), *trans*-**11e** (R = 4-NO₂-C₆H₄-CH₂), *trans*-**11g** (R = 3-F-C₆H₄-CH₂), *trans*-**11h** (R = 4-F-C₆H₄-CH₂), *trans*-**11j** (R = CH₃), and *trans*-**11k** (R = CH₃CH₂), as well as for a minor isomer *cis*-**11a** (R = H).



Scheme 3. Synthesis of isoxazolidines *trans*-**11a**-**k** and *cis*-**11a**-**k**. Reaction and conditions: a. toluene, 70 °C, 24 h.

Entry	Quinazolinone 13	Ratio of trans-11-cis-11	Yield (%)		
,	R				
а	Н	92:8	<i>trans</i> - 11a (23) ^a + <i>cis</i> - 11a (5) ^a + <i>trans</i> - 11a and <i>cis</i> - 11a (62) ^b		
b	C ₆ H ₅ -CH ₂	92:8	<i>trans</i> - 11b (8) ^a + <i>trans</i> - 11b and <i>cis</i> - 11b (83) ^b		
с	2-NO ₂ -C ₆ H ₄ -CH ₂	94:6	<i>trans</i> -11c (30) a + <i>trans</i> -11c and <i>cis</i> -11c (62) b		
d	3-NO2-C6H4-CH2	92:8	<i>trans</i> - 11d (14) $^{\rm a}$ + <i>trans</i> - 11d and <i>cis</i> - 11d (80) $^{\rm b}$		
e	4-NO2-C6H4-CH2	90:10	<i>trans</i> -11e (18) a + <i>trans</i> -11e and <i>cis</i> -11e (72) b		
f	2-F-C6H4-CH2	90:10	<i>trans</i> -11f and <i>cis</i> -11f (96) ^b		
g	3-F-C ₆ H ₄ -CH ₂	92:8	<i>trans</i> -11g (10) $^{\rm a}$ + <i>trans</i> -11g and <i>cis</i> -11g (72) $^{\rm b}$		
h	4-F-C ₆ H ₄ -CH ₂	92:8	<i>trans</i> -11h (12) a + <i>trans</i> -11h and <i>cis</i> -11h (86) b		
i	2,4-diF-C ₆ H ₃ -CH ₂	93:7	<i>trans</i> -11i and <i>cis</i> -11i (82) ^b		
j	CH ₃	94:6	<i>trans</i> -11j (32) ^a + <i>trans</i> -11j and <i>cis</i> -11j (65) ^b		
k	CH ₃ CH ₂	88:12	<i>trans</i> - 11k (14) a + <i>trans</i> - 11k and <i>cis</i> - 11k (80) b		

Table 1. Isoxazolidines trans-11 and cis-11 obtained according to Scheme 3.

^a yield of pure isomer, ^b yield of pure mixture of *cis*- and *trans*-isomers.

Stereochemistry of the cycloaddition of a nitrone **12** to N3-substituted derivatives of 2-vinyl-3*H*-quinazolin-4-ones has recently been described and relative configurations of *trans*and *cis*-isoxazolidine cycloadducts were established based on conformational analysis [25]. Since the introduction of the bromine atom at C6 of the quinazolin-4-one framework has no influence on the stereochemical outcome of the reaction of nitrone **12** with N3-susbstituted 2-vinyl-3*H*-quinazolin-4-ones, the trans and cis configurations of the major *trans*-**11a**-**k** and minor *cis*-**11a**-**k** isomers were assigned taking advantage of our previous observations.

2.2. Antiviral and Cytostatic Evaluation

2.2.1. Antiviral Activity

Pure isomers trans-11a, trans-11b, trans-11c, trans-11d, trans-11e, trans-11g, trans-11h, trans-11j, trans-11k, and cis-11a, as well as diastereoisomeric mixtures of isoxazolidines trans-11f/cis-11f (95:5) and trans-11i/cis-11i (92:8), were tested for inhibitory activity against a wide variety of DNA and RNA viruses. The following cell-based assays were used: (a) human embryonic lung (HEL) cells (herpes simplex virus-1 (KOS strain), herpes simplex virus-2 (G strain), thymidine kinase deficient (acyclovir resistant) herpes simplex virus-1 (TK⁻ KOS ACV^r), vaccinia virus, adenovirus-2, vesicular stomatitis virus, cytomegalovirus (AD-169 and Davis strains), varicella-zoster virus (TK⁺ VZV and TK⁻ VZV strains)); (b) HeLa cell cultures (vesicular stomatitis virus, Coxsackie virus B4, and respiratory syncytial virus); (c) Vero cell cultures (parainfluenza-3 virus, reovirus-1, Sindbis virus, Coxsackie virus B4, Punta Toro virus, yellow fever virus); (d) CrFK cell cultures (feline corona virus (FIPV) and feline herpes virus (FHV)); and (e) MDCK cell cultures (influenza A virus (H1N1 and H3N2 subtypes) and influenza B virus). Ganciclovir, cidofovir, acyclovir, brivudin, zalcitabine, zanamivir, alovudine, amantadine, rimantadine, ribavirin, dextran sulfate (molecular weight 10000, DS-10000), mycophenolic acid, Hippeastrum hybrid agglutinin (HHA), and Urtica dioica agglutinin (UDA) were used as the reference compounds. The antiviral activity was expressed as the EC_{50} : the compound concentration required to reduce virus plaque formation (VZV) by 50% or to reduce virus-induced cytopathogenicity by 50% (other viruses).

Almost all synthesized isoxazolidines inhibited the replication of both TK⁺ and TK⁻ VZV strains at EC₅₀'s in the 5.4–13.6 μ M range (Table 2), at the same time they were inactive toward other tested viruses, except for HCMV. In general, the inhibitory activity of the tested compounds toward TK⁻ VZV 07-1 strain was better than that of the reference drugs acyclovir and brivudin (EC₅₀ = 39.2 μ M and EC₅₀ = 31.9 μ M, respectively), which require activation by the viral enzyme. On the other hand, the activity of these compounds against the TK⁺ VZV OKA strain was five to nine-fold and 360 to 587-fold lower than that of the reference drugs acyclovir and brivudin, respectively. While exhibiting significant activity toward both TK⁺ and TK⁻ VZV stains, compounds *trans*-11b, *trans*-11d, *trans*-11g, and *trans*-11h exhibited the lowest cytotoxicity (CC₅₀ = 33–42 μ M). It is worth mentioning that incorporation of the bromine atom at C6 in the quinazolinone skeleton resulted in a significant increase in potency of isoxazolidine-conjugates 11b–11i against VZV (up to five-fold higher) when compared with previously described analogous conjugates 10b–10i having an unsubstituted quinazoline skeleton [25].

Table 2. Antiviral activity and cytotoxicity against varicella-zoster virus (VZV) in HEL cell cultures.

Commound	R -	Antiviral Activity EC ₅₀ (µM) ^a		Cytotoxicity (µM)		
Compound		TK ⁺ VZV Strain (OKA)	TK ⁻ VZV Strain (07-1)	Cell Morphology MCC ^b	Cell Growth CC ₅₀ ^c	
cis-11a	Н	>100	>100	>100	n.d.	
trans-11a	Н	>100	66.87	>100	n.d.	
trans-11b	C ₆ H ₅ -CH ₂	13.5 ± 7.1	13.6 ± 9.1	100	42.3 ± 0.3	
trans-11c	2-NO2-C6H4-CH2	10.3 ± 1.1	5.4 ± 1.0	100	9.4 ± 0.4	
trans-11d	3-NO2-C6H4-CH2	8.3 ± 1.4	5.8 ± 1.4	100	37.0 ± 4.3	
trans-11e	4-NO2-C6H4-CH2	6.84	7.51	20	n.d.	
trans-11f/cis-11f (95:5)	2-F-C ₆ H ₄ -CH ₂	7.76	9.56	20	n.d.	
trans-11g	3-F-C ₆ H ₄ -CH ₂	11.6 ± 5.3	7.7 ± 6.2	>20	33.0 ± 3.5	
trans-11h	4-F-C ₆ H ₄ -CH ₂	12.6 ± 2.6	7.5 ± 5.4	>20	39.4 ± 5.2	
trans-11i/cis-11i (92:8)	2,4-diF-C6H3-CH2	8.7 ± 3.2	10.5 ± 0.3	>20	15.6 ± 3.2	
trans-11j	CH ₃	>4	>4	20	n.d.	
trans-11k	CH ₃ CH ₂	>20	>20	100	n.d.	
Acyclovir		1.55 ± 1.0	39.2 ± 3.6	>440	>350	
Brivudin		0.023 ± 0.008	31.9 ± 16.1	>300	>300	

^a Effective concentration required to reduce virus plaque formation by 50%. Virus input was 100 plaque forming units (PFU), ^b Minimum cytotoxic concentration that causes a microscopically detectable alternation of cell morphology, ^c Cytotoxic concentrations required to reduce cell growth by 50%, n.d.—not determined.

The synthesized isoxazolidine phosphonates also showed marked activity against human cytomegalovirus (HCMV) (Table 3) and, among them, *trans*-**11d**, *trans*-**11g**, *trans*-**11h**, and *trans*-**11i**/*cis*-**11i** (92:8) were the most potent ones. Activities of the tested compounds against both AD-169 and Davis strains were comparable ($EC_{50} = 8.9-12.5 \mu M$) to that of Ganciclovir ($EC_{50} = 16.9 \text{ and } 7.7 \mu M$) used as a reference drug, but still lower than that of the other reference drug, Cidofovir ($EC_{50} = 1.5-1.7 \mu M$).

Table 3. Antiviral activity and cytotoxicity against human cytomegalovirus in HEL cell cultures.

Commound	R –	Antiviral Activity EC ₅₀ (µM) ^a		Cytotoxicity (µM)		
Compound		AD-169 Strain	Davis Strain	Cell Morphology MCC ^b	Cell Growth CC ₅₀ ^c	
cis-11a	Н	>100	100	20	n.d.	
trans-11a	Н	>100	>100	100	n.d.	
trans-11b	C ₆ H ₅ -CH ₂	20	20	20	n.d.	
trans-11c	2-NO2-C6H4-CH2	>20	15.29	100	n.d.	
trans-11d	3-NO2-C6H4-CH2	10.4 ± 0.8	11.6 ± 2.5	100	37.0 ± 4.3	
trans-11e	4-NO2-C6H4-CH2	>20	>20	100	n.d.	
trans-11f/cis-11f (95:5)	2-F-C ₆ H ₄ -CH ₂	8.94	8.94	20	n.d.	
trans-11g	3-F-C ₆ H ₄ -CH ₂	10.5 ± 2.2	8.94 ± 0	100	33.0 ± 3.5	
trans-11h	4-F-C ₆ H ₄ -CH ₂	12.5 ± 3.9	11.2 ± 3.1	100	39.4 ± 5.2	
trans-11i/cis-11i (92:8)	2,4-diF-C6H3-CH2	9.4 ± 0.46	9.7 ± 1.1	>20	15.6 ± 3.2	
trans-11j	CH ₃	>20	>100	20	n.d.	
trans-11k	CH ₃ CH ₂	>20	44.72	20	n.d.	
Ganciclovir		16.9 ± 6.9	7.7 ± 0.9	>350	>350	
Cidofovir		1.5 ± 0.2	1.7 ± 0.4	>300	>300	

^a Effective concentration required to reduce virus plaque formation by 50%. Virus input was 100 plaque forming units (PFU), ^b Minimum cytotoxic concentration that causes a microscopically detectable alternation of cell morphology, ^c Cytotoxic concentrations required to reduce cell growth by 50%, n.d.—not determined.

2.2.2. Cytostatic Activity

The 50% cytostatic inhibitory concentration (IC₅₀) causing a 50% decrease in cell proliferation was determined against murine leukemia L1210, human lymphocyte CEM, human cervix carcinoma HeLa, and immortalized human dermal microvacsular endothelial cells (HMEC-1). Almost all compounds **11a–11k** showed inhibitory activity against the proliferation of tumour cell lines (Table 4). They appeared to be the most cytostatic toward the human T-lymphocyte (CEM) cell line with an inhibitory effect in the 9.6–33 μ M range. Thus, isoxazolidines *trans-***11b** (IC₅₀ = 16 ± 3 μ M), *trans-***11c** (IC₅₀ = 14 ± 4 μ M), *trans-***11e** (IC₅₀ = 17 ± 12 μ M), *trans-***11f** (*is-***11f** (95:5) (IC₅₀ = 13 ± 1 μ M), *trans-***11g** (IC₅₀ = 10 ± 0 μ M), *trans-***11h** (IC₅₀ = 9.6 ± 2.2 μ M), and *trans-***11i** (92:8) (IC₅₀ = 9.8 ± 4.8 μ M) exhibited activity toward the CEM line higher than of 5-fluorouracil (IC₅₀ = 18 ± 5 μ M).

Compound	R	IC ₅₀ ^a (μM)			
f		L1210	CEM	HeLa	HMEC-1
cis-11a	Н	>250	242 ± 7	>250	140 ± 54
trans- 11a	Н	126 ± 19	148 ± 2	196 ± 20	85 ± 13
trans-11b	C ₆ H ₅ -CH ₂	20 ± 2	16 ± 3	26 ± 7	30 ± 0
trans-11c	2-NO ₂ -C ₆ H ₄ -CH ₂	19 ± 3	14 ± 4	22 ± 11	30 ± 0
trans-11d	3-NO2-C6H4-CH2	26 ± 1	33 ± 25	24 ± 9	30 ± 0
trans- 11e	4-NO ₂ -C ₆ H ₄ -CH ₂	18 ± 76	17 ± 12	24 ± 9	26 ± 6
<i>trans</i> -11f/ <i>cis</i> -11f (95:5)	2-F-C ₆ H ₄ -CH ₂	17 ± 2	13 ± 1	25 ± 7	30 ± 0
trans-11g	3-F-C ₆ H ₄ -CH ₂	16 ± 2	10 ± 0	25 ± 7	30 ± 0
trans-11h	$4\text{-}\text{F-}\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{-}\text{CH}_2$	16 ± 0	9.6 ± 2.2	25 ± 7	29 ± 1
trans- 11i /cis- 11i (92:8)	2,4-diF-C ₆ H ₃ -CH ₂	16 ± 1	9.8 ± 4.8	22 ± 6	30 ± 0
trans-11j	CH ₃	138 ± 19	128 ± 21	175 ± 105	>250
trans-11k/cis-11k (97:3)	CH ₃ CH ₂	102 ± 14	44 ± 18	113 ± 44	121 ± 41
5-Fluorouracil		0.33 ± 0.17	18 ± 5	0.54 ± 0.12	n.d.

Table 4. Inhibitory effect of the tested compounds against the proliferation of murine leukemia (L1210), human T-lymphocyte (CEM), human cervix carcinoma (HeLa), and immortalized human dermal microvascular endothelial cells (HMEC-1).

^a 50% Inhibitory concentration or compound concentration required to inhibit tumor cell proliferation by 50%, n.d.—not determined.

Structure–activity relationship studies indicated that the isoxazolidine derivatives possessing hydrogen (*cis*-**11a**, *trans*-**11a**), methyl (*trans*-**11j**), or ethyl (*trans*-**11k**) at N3 in the quinazolinone ring were not active against tested viruses and they did not inhibit proliferation of the tested cell lines. Compounds substituted at N3 with benzyl moieties were found effective against VZV, HCMV, and were able to inhibit tumour cell line growth. Moreover, isoxazolidine phosphonates having 3-nitrobenzyl (*trans*-**11d**) and 3-fluorobenzyl (*trans*-**11g**) substituents at N3 of the quinazolinone core showed the highest antiviral activity with an EC₅₀ values in the range of 5.8–11.6 μ M.

On the other hand, compounds possessing 3-fluorobenzyl (*trans*-11g), 4-fluorobenzyl (*trans*-11h) and 2,4-difluorobenzyl (*trans*-11i/*cis*-11i (92:8)) substituents at the N3 position showed an inhibitory effect against the proliferation of murine leukemia (L1210) and human T-lymphocyte (CEM) cell lines, whereas isoxazolidines having 2-nitrobenzyl (*trans*-11c) and 2,4-difluorobenzyl (*trans*-11i/*cis*-11i (92:8)) substituents at the same position of a quinazolinone moiety appeared to be the most active toward the human cervix carcinoma (HeLa) cell line, however, their inhibitory concentration was much lower than that of the reference drugs.

3. Experimental Section

3.1. General

¹H-NMR spectra were taken in CDCl₃ on the following spectrometers: Gemini 2000BB (200 MHz Varian, Palo Alto, CA, USA), and Bruker Avance III (600 MHz, Bruker Instrument, Karlsruhe, Germany)

with TMS as internal standard. ¹³C-NMR spectra were recorded for CDCl₃ solution on the Bruker Avance III at 151.0 MHz. ³¹P-NMR spectra were performed in CDCl₃ solution on the Varian Gemini 2000 BB at 81.0 MHz or on Bruker Avance III at 243.0 MHz.

IR spectra were measured on an Infinity MI-60 FT-IR spectrometer (ATI Instruments North America—Mattson, Madison, WI, USA). Melting points were determined on a Boetius apparatus (VEB Kombinat NAGEMA, Dresden, DDR—currently Germany) and are uncorrected. Elemental analyses were performed by the Microanalytical Laboratory of this faculty on a Perkin-Elmer PE 2400 CHNS analyzer (Perkin-Elmer Corp., Norwalk, CT, USA).

The following adsorbents were used: column chromatography, Merck silica gel 60 (70–230 mesh); analytical TLC, Merck (Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany) TLC plastic sheet silica gel 60 F₂₅₄.

N-methyl-*C*-(diethoxyphosphoryl)nitrone [26] and 5-bromoanthranilic acid amide [27,28] were obtained according to the procedures in the literature.

3.2. Synthesis of 6-Bromo-2-vinyl-3H-quinazolin-4-one 13a

To a solution 5-bromoanthranilic amide (2.40 g, 11.2 mmol) in 1,4-dioxane (5 mL) 3-chloropropionyl chloride (0.527 mL, 5.60 mmol) was added over 20 min. at 0 °C under an argon atmosphere. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h and then diluted with water until a precipitate appeared, which was collected and washed with water (3 \times 10 mL). A mixture of 2-(3-chloropropionylamino)benzamide (2.03 g, 6.63 mmol) in 5% sodium hydroxide (16.4 mL) and ethanol (8.2 mL) was stirred under reflux for 5 min., the solution was allowed to cool for 15 min. and then acidified with acetic acid (1.6 mL). The precipitate was collected and washed with water (3 \times 10 mL). The crude 6-bromo-2-vinylquinazolin-4(3*H*)-one was purified by crystallization from methanol.

Off-white amorphous solid, m.p. = 223–225 °C (re-crystallized from methanol). IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) ν_{max} : 3165, 3088, 3019, 2943, 2738, 1673, 1638, 1591, 1462, 1337, 1292, 1245, 1207, 1114, 1065, 977, 829, 793, 687, 633. ¹H-NMR (200 MHz, DMSO): δ = 12.51 (s, 1H, NH), 8.17 (d, ⁴*J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H, *H*C5), 7.90 (dd, ³*J* = 8.7 Hz, ⁴*J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H, *H*C7), 7.81 (d, ³*J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H, *H*C8), 6.63 (dd, ³*J* = 17.5 Hz, ²*J* = 3.7 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 6.53 (dd, ³*J* = 17.5 Hz, ³*J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 5.86 (dd, ³*J* = 8.1 Hz, ²*J* = 3.7 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂). ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, DMSO): δ = 161.11 (C=O), 152.00, 148.23, 137.80, 131.00, 130.18, 128.45, 126.31, 123.40, 119.37. Anal. Calcd. for C₁₀H₇BrN₂O: C, 47.84; H, 2.81; N, 11.16. Found: C, 47.88; H, 2.49; N, 11.01.

3.3. General Procedure for the Synthesis of N3-Benzylated 6-bromo-2-vinyl-3H-quinazolin-4-ones 13b-13i

To a solution of 6-bromo-2-vinyl-3*H*-quinazolin-4-one (0.251 g, 1.00 mmol) in acetonitrile (15 mL) potassium hydroxide (0.168 g, 3.00 mmol) was added. After 15 min. the respective benzyl bromide (1.10 mmol) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred under reflux for 4 h. The solvent was removed and the residue was re-dissolved in methylene chloride (10 mL) and extracted with water (3×10 mL). An organic phase was dried (MgSO₄), concentrated, and the crude product was purified on a silica gel column with a methylene chloride:hexane (7:3, *v*/*v*) mixture followed by crystallization (chloroform-petroleum ether or ethyl acetate) to give pure quinazolinones.

3-*Benzyl-6-bromo-2-vinylquinazolin-4(3H)-one* (**13b**). A white amorphous solid, m.p. = 71–72 °C (re-crystallized from ethyl acetate). IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) ν_{max} : 3097, 3036, 2926, 1608, 1571, 1553, 1470, 1290, 1153, 1112, 989, 841, 678, 581, 437. ¹H-NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.30–8.27 (m, 1H), 7.88–7.82 (m, 1H), 7.77–7.73 (m, 1H), 7.57–7.50 (m, 2H), 7.48–7.37 (m, 3H), 6.91 (dd, ³*J* = 17.2 Hz, ³*J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 6.73 (dd, ³*J* = 17.2 Hz, ²*J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 5.67 (s, 2H, N-CH₂). ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 165.16 (C=O), 160.28, 150.36, 137.00, 136.88, 136.02, 129.45, 128.67, 128.45, 126.09, 124.36, 120.03, 116.67, 68.69 (N-CH₂). Anal. Calcd. for C₁₇H₁₃BrN₂O: C, 59.84; H, 3.84; N, 8.21. Found: C, 59.92; H, 3.68; N, 8.29.

6-Bromo-3-(2-nitrobenzyl)-2-vinylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (13c). A yellowish amorphous solid, m.p. 117–119 °C (re-crystallized from chloroform-petroleum ether). IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) ν_{max} : 3078, 2980, 2925, 2854, 1689, 1613, 1573, 1526, 1489, 1390, 1354, 1287, 1242, 1116, 1053, 1024, 968, 836, 791, 730.

¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.33 (d, ⁴*J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H, *H*C5), 8.18–8.16 (m, 1H), 7.90 (dd, ³*J* = 8.9 Hz, ⁴*J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H, *H*C7), 7.81 (d, ³*J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H, *H*C8), 7.80–7.78 (m, 1H), 7.71–7.69 (m, 1H), 7.56–7.53 (m, 1H), 6.87 (dd, ³*J* = 17.2 Hz, ³*J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 6.64 (dd, ³*J* = 17.2 Hz, ²*J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 6.10 (s, 2H, N-CH₂), 5.80 (dd, ³*J* = 10.4 Hz, ²*J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂). ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 164.62 (C=O), 160.12, 150.32, 147.84, 137.31, 136.31, 133.78, 132.33, 129.51, 129.05, 128.87, 125.76, 125.07, 124.92, 120.38, 116.31, 65.14 (N-CH₂). Anal. Calcd. for C₁₇H₁₂BrN₃O₃: C, 52.87; H, 3.13; N, 10.88. Found: C, 52.50; H, 2.80; N, 10.80.

6-*Bromo-3-(3-nitrobenzyl)-2-vinylquinazolin-4(3H)-one* (**13d**). A yellowish amorphous solid, m.p. 147–149 °C (re-crystallized from chloroform-petroleum ether). IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) ν_{max}: 3112, 3071, 2924, 2854, 1610, 1573, 1529, 1456, 1382, 1294, 1119, 836, 668. ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.44 (brs, 1H), 8.32–8.30 (m, 1H), 8.26–8.24 (m, 1H), 7.91–7.88 (m, 2H), 7.80–7.78 (m, 1H), 7.64–7.61 (m, 1H), 6.91 (dd, ³*J* = 17.2 Hz, ³*J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 6.73 (dd, ³*J* = 17.2 Hz, ²*J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 5.84 (dd, ³*J* = 10.4 Hz, ²*J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 5.78 (s, 2H, N-CH₂). ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 164.69 (C=O), 160.05, 150.49, 148.51, 138.14, 137.28, 136.68, 134.10, 129.73, 129.60, 125.84, 124.47, 123.37, 123.27, 120.35, 116.34, 67.22 (N-CH₂). Anal. Calcd. for C₁₇H₁₂BrN₃O₃: C, 52.87; H, 3.13; N, 10.88. Found: C, 52.81; H, 2.98; N, 10.60.

6-Bromo-3-(4-nitrobenzyl)-2-vinylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (**13e**). Off-white amorphous solid, m.p. 121–123 °C (re-crystallized from chloroform-petroleum ether). IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) ν_{max}: 3418, 2924, 2853, 1739, 1608, 1573, 1524, 1343, 1292, 1117, 945, 833, 661. ¹H-NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.30–8.26 (m, 3H), 7.96–7.92 (m, 1H), 7.81–7.76 (m, 1H), 7.73–7.67 (m, 2H), 6.88 (dd, ³*J* = 17.2 Hz, ³*J* = 10.1 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 6.65 (dd, ³*J* = 17.2 Hz, ²*J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 5.80 (dd, ³*J* = 10.1 Hz, ²*J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 5.77 (s, 2H, N-CH₂). ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 164.69 (C=O), 160.03, 150.41, 147.93, 143.27, 137.37, 136.59, 129.58, 128.50, 125.80, 124.58, 123.93, 120.44, 116.33, 67.14 (N-CH₂). Anal. Calcd. for C₁₇H₁₂BrN₃O₃: C, 52.87; H, 3.13; N, 10.88. Found: C, 52.81; H, 2.98; N, 10.60.

6-Bromo-3-(2-fluorobenzyl)-2-vinylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (13f). A white amorphous solid, m.p. 91–92 °C (re-crystallized from ethyl acetate). IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) ν_{max}: 3078, 2967, 1568, 1555, 1486, 1420, 1348, 1293, 1238, 1115, 938, 828, 760, 675. ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.31 (d, ⁴*J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H, *H*C5), 7.89 (dd, ³*J* = 8.9 Hz, ⁴*J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H, *H*C7), 7.68 (d, ³*J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H, *H*C8), 7.61–7.58 (m, 1H), 7.42–7.38 (m, 1H), 7.23–7.20 (m, 1H), 7.18–7.15 (m, 1H), 6.92 (dd, ³*J* = 17.2 Hz, ³*J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 6.78 (dd, ³*J* = 17.2 Hz, ²*J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 5.84 (dd, ³*J* = 10.4 Hz, ²*J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 5.78 (s, 2H, N-CH₂). ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 164.99 (C=O), 161.20 (d, ¹*J*_(CF) = 248.8 Hz, C2'), 160.24, 150.39, 137.03, 136.81, 130.70 (d, ³*J*_(CCCF) = 4.0 Hz, C4'), 130.39 (d, ³*J*_(CCCF) = 7.9 Hz, C6'), 129.47, 126.04, 124.44, 124.25 (d, ⁴*J*_(CCCF) = 3.4 Hz, C5'), 123.24 (d, ²*J*_(CCCF) = 14.5 Hz, C3'), 120.06, 116.59, 115.63 (d, ²*J*_(CCF) = 21.5 Hz, C1'), 62.51 (d, ³*J*_(CCF) = 4.4 Hz, N-CH₂). Anal. Calcd. for C₁₇H₁₂BrFN₂O: C, 56.85; H, 3.37; N, 7.80. Found: C, 56.62; H, 2.99; N, 7.79.

6-Bromo-3-(3-fluorobenzyl)-2-vinylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (**13g**). A yellowish amorphous solid, m.p. 78–80 °C (re-crystallized from ethyl acetate). IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) ν_{max} : 3070, 2980, 2925, 2853, 1614, 1568, 1490, 1416, 1336, 1286, 1115, 1055, 967, 836, 790. ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.32 (d, ⁴*J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H, *H*C5), 7.89 (dd, ³*J* = 8.9 Hz, ⁴*J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H, *H*C7), 7.80 (d, ³*J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H, *H*C8), 7.43–7.39 (m, 1H), 7.34–7.32 (m, 1H), 7.28–7.26 (m, 1H), 7.11–7.08 (m, 1H), 6.92 (dd, ³*J* = 17.1 Hz, ³*J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 6.73 (dd, ³*J* = 17.1 Hz, ²*J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 5.84 (dd, ³*J* = 10.4 Hz, ²*J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 5.69 (s, 2H, N-CH₂). ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 164.95 (C=O), 162.95(d, ¹*J*_(CF) = 246.6 Hz, C3'), 160.19, 150.43, 138.50 (d, ³*J*_(CCCF) = 7.5 Hz, C5'), 137.13, 136.79, 130.25 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, C1'), 129.53, 125.98, 124.42, 123.74 (d, ⁴*J*_(CCCCF) = 3.1 Hz, C6'), 120.18, 116.54, 115.33 (d, ²*J*_(CCF) = 21.0 Hz, C4'), 115.14 (d, ²*J*_(CCF) = 22.0 Hz, C2'), 67.77 (d, ⁴*J*_{CCCCF} = 1.5 Hz, N-CH₂). Anal. Calcd. for C₁₇H₁₂BrFN₂O: C, 56.85; H, 3.37; N, 7.80. Found: C, 56.99; H, 2.97; N, 7.84.

6-Bromo-3-(4-fluorobenzyl)-2-vinylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (13h). A yellowish amorphous solid, m.p. 100–103 °C (re-crystallized from chloroform-petroleum ether). IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) ν_{max} : 3064, 2926,

1608, 1565, 1510, 1487, 1354, 1219, 1118, 989, 832, 697, 501. ¹H-NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.26 (d, ⁴*J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H, *H*C5), 7.85 (dd, ³*J* = 8.9 Hz, ⁴*J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H, *H*C7), 7.75 (d, ³*J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H, *H*C8), 7.55–7.48 (m, 2H), 7.15–7.06 (m, 2H), 6.90 (dd, ³*J* = 17.2 Hz, ³*J* = 11.5 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 6.72 (dd, ³*J* = 17.2 Hz, ²*J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 5.82 (dd, ³*J* = 11.5 Hz, ²*J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 5.63 (s, 2H, N-CH₂). ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 165.04 (C=O), 162.82 (d, ¹*J*_(CCF) = 247.1 Hz, C4'), 160.20, 150.40, 137.04, 136.88, 131.84 (d, ⁴*J*_(CCCCF) = 3.1 Hz, C1'), 130.39 (d, ³*J*_(CCCF) = 8.6 Hz, C2', C6'), 129.50, 125.99, 124.28, 120. 08, 116.60, 115.62 (d, ²*J*_(CCF) = 21.9 Hz, C3', C5'), 67.94 (N-CH₂). Anal. Calcd. for C₁₇H₁₂BrFN₂O: C, 56.85; H, 3.37; N, 7.80. Found: C, 56.50; H, 3.01; N, 7.76.

6-Bromo-3-(2,4-difluorobenzyl)-2-vinylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (**13i**). A yellowish amorphous solid, m.p. 88–90 °C (re-crystallized from chloroform-petroleum ether). IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) v_{max} : 3079, 2923, 2852, 1614, 1565, 1508, 1488, 1416, 1349, 1279, 1099, 955, 834, 728, 538. ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.27 (d, ⁴J = 2.1 Hz, 1H, HC5), 7.88 (dd, ³J = 8.9 Hz, ⁴J = 2.1 Hz, 1H, HC7), 7.78 (d, ³J = 8.9 Hz, 1H, HC8), 7.59–7.55 (m, 1H), 6.96–6.89 (m, 2H), 6.89 (dd, ³J = 17.2 Hz, ³J = 10.0 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 6.72 (dd, ³J = 17.2 Hz, ²J = 2.4 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 5.82 (dd, ³J = 10.0 Hz, ²J = 2.4 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 5.68 (s, 2H, N-CH₂). ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 164.86 (C=O), 163.23 (dd, ¹J_(CF) = 250.4 Hz, ³J_(CCCF) = 12.0 Hz, C2'), 161.45 (dd, ¹J_(CF) = 251.8 Hz, ³J_(CCCF) = 12.1 Hz, C4'), 160.15, 150.38, 137.06, 136.80, 131.83 (dd, ³J_(CCCF) = 4.0 Hz, C1'), 116.48, 111.50 (dd, ²J_(CCF) = 21.7 Hz, ⁴J_(CCCCF) = 4.1 Hz, C5'), 104.16 (dd, ²J_(CCF) = 25.3 Hz, ²J_(CCCF) = 25.3 Hz, C3'), 61.93 (d, ³J_(CCCF) = 3.4 Hz, N-CH₂) Anal. Calcd. for C₁₇H₁₁BrF₂N₂O: C, 54.13; H, 2.94; N, 7.43. Found: C, 54.42; H, 3.14; N, 7.04.

3.4. General Procedure for the Synthesis of N3-Alkylated 6-bromo-2-vinyl-3H-quinazolin-4-ones 13j and 13k

To the solution of 6-bromo-2-vinyl-3*H*-quinazolin-4-one (0.251 g, 1.00 mmol) in acetonitrile (15 mL) potassium hydroxide (0.168 g, 3.00 mmol) was added. After 15 min iodomethane (0.124 mL, 2.00 mmol) or iodoethane (0.088 mL, 1.10 mmol) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred at 60 °C for 5 h. The solvent was removed and the residue was re-dissolved in methylene chloride (10 mL) and extracted with water (3 × 10 mL). The organic layer was dried (MgSO₄), concentrated, and the crude product was purified on a silica gel column with a methylene chloride:hexane mixture (7:3, *v*/*v*) mixture followed by crystallization (chloroform:petroleum ether).

6-Bromo-3-methyl-2-vinylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (**13j**). A white amorphous solid, m.p. = 147–148 °C (re-crystallized from chloroform-petroleum ether). IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) ν_{max}: 2956, 2924, 1675, 1661, 1555, 1468, 1337, 1260, 1025, 981, 791, 645. ¹H-NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.21 (d, ⁴*J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H, HC5), 7.79 (dd, ³*J* = 8.9 Hz, ⁴*J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H, HC7), 7.67 (d, ³*J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H, HC8), 6.83 (dd, ³*J* = 17.2 Hz, ³*J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 6.66 (dd, ³*J* = 17.2 Hz, ²*J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 5.74 (dd, ³*J* = 9.9 Hz, ²*J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 4.14 (s, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 161.06 (C=O), 152.56, 146.20, 137.33, 129.34, 129.29, 128.92, 127.19, 121.95, 120.12, 30.95. Anal. Calcd. for C₁₁H₉BrN₂O: C, 49.84; H, 3.42; N, 10.57. Found: C, 50.11; H, 3.42; N, 10.56.

6-Bromo-3-ethyl-2-vinylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (13k). A white amorphous solid, m.p. = 62–64 °C (re-crystallized from chloroform-petroleum ether). IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) ν_{max}: 3097, 3035, 2956, 2926, 2853, 1610, 1571, 1554, 1488, 1428, 1347, 1291, 1153, 1018, 842, 807, 678. ¹H-NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.22 (d, ⁴*J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H, HC5), 7.79 (dd, ³*J* = 8.9 Hz, ⁴*J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H, HC7), 7.68 (d, ³*J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H, HC8), 6.82 (dd, ³*J* = 17.2 Hz, ³*J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 6.63 (dd, ³*J* = 17.2 Hz, ²*J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 5.73 (dd, ³*J* = 10.0 Hz, ²*J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 4.62 (q, ³*J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H, CH₃CH₂), 1.47 (t, ³*J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂). ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 161.06 (C=O), 160.37, 150.12, 136.90, 136.78, 129.34, 126.10, 124.19, 119.83, 116.71, 63.10, 14.28. Anal. Calcd. for C₁₂H₁₁BrN₂O: C, 51.63; H, 3.97; N, 10.04. Found: C, 51.94; H, 3.75; N, 9.94.

3.5. General Procedure for the Synthesis of Isoxazolidines trans-11 and cis-11

A solution of the nitrone (0.195 g, 1.00 mmol) and the respective 6-bromo-2-vinylquinazolin-4(3*H*)-one (1.00 mmol) in toluene (2 mL) was stirred at 70 °C until the disappearance (TLC) of the starting nitrone. Solvents were evaporated in vacuo and crude products were subjected to chromatography on silica gel columns with chloroform:methanol (100:1, 50:1, 20:1, v/v) mixtures.

Diethyl trans-[5-(6-bromo-4-oxo-3,4-dihydroquinazolin-2-yl)-2-methylisoxazolidin-3-yl]phosphonate (trans-**11a**). Colorless oil. IR (film, cm⁻¹) ν_{max}: 3316, 3171, 3090, 2980, 2974, 2783, 1660, 1625, 1486, 1412, 1301, 1234, 1054, 968, 834, 775, 575. ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 10.63 (s, 1H, NH), 8.44 (d, ⁴*J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H, *H*C5'), 7.84 (dd, ³*J* = 8.6 Hz, ⁴*J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H, *H*C7'), 7.54 (d, ³*J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H, *H*C8'), 5.02 (dd, ³*J*_(H5-H4β) = 8.4 Hz, ³*J*_(H5-H4α) = 6.2 Hz, 1H, *H*C5), 4.30–4.21 (m, 4H, 2 × CH₂OP), 3.25–3.21 (m, 1H, *H*C3), 3.04 (s, 3H, CH₃N), 3.12 (dddd, ³*J*_(H4β-P) = 16.7 Hz, ²*J*_(H4β-H4α) = 12.9 Hz, ³*J*_(H4β-H5) = 8.6 Hz, ³*J*_(H4β-H3) = 8.3 Hz, 1H, *H*_βC4), 2.94 (dddd, ³*J*_(H4α-P) = 12.9 Hz, ²*J*_(H4α-H4β) = 12.9 Hz, ³*J*_(H4α-H3) = 10.0 Hz, ³*J*_(H4α-H5) = 6.2 Hz, 1H, *H*_αC4), 1.40 (t, ³*J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂OP), 1.38 (t, ³*J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂OP). ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 160.30 (C=O), 156.50, 147.35, 137.66, 129.26, 128.96, 123.27, 120.46, 74.68 (d, ³*J*_(CCCP) = 8.6 Hz, C5), 64.60 (d, ¹*J*_(CP) = 168.1 Hz, C3), 63.51 (d, ²*J*_(COP) = 6.6 Hz, CH₂OP), 62.61 (d, ²*J*_(COP) = 5.5 Hz, CH₃CH₂OP). ³¹P-NMR (243 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 20.51. Anal. Calcd. for C₁₆H₂₁BrN₃O₅P: C, 43.07; H, 4.74; N, 9.42. Found: C, 43.09; H, 4.52; N, 9.35.

Diethyl cis-[5-(6-bromo-4-oxo-3,4-dihydroquinazolin-2-yl)-2-methylisoxazolidin-3-yl]phosphonate (cis-11a). Colorless oil. IR (film, cm⁻¹) ν_{max}: 3090, 2959, 2925, 2865, 1661, 1626, 1601, 1461, 1336, 1234, 1054, 969, 834, 575. ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 10.63 (s, 1H, NH), 8.44 (d, ⁴J = 2.3 Hz, 1H, HC5'), 7.84 (dd, ³J = 8.6 Hz, ⁴J = 2.3 Hz, 1H, HC7'), 7.54 (d, ³J = 8.6 Hz, 1H, HC8'), 5.07 (dd, ³J_(H5-H4α) = 9.2 Hz, ³J_(H5-H4β) = 4.3 Hz, 1H, HC5), 4.23–4.12 (m, 4H, 2 × CH₂OP), 3.21 (dddd, ³J_(H4β-P) = 19.8 Hz, ²J_(H4β-H4α) = 10.9 Hz, ³J_(H4β-H3) = 6.8 Hz, ³J_(H4β-H5) = 4.3 Hz, 1H, H_βC4), 3.12 (ddd, ³J_(H3-H4β) = 6.8 Hz, ³J_(H3-H4β) = 9.6 Hz, ²J_(H4β-H3) = 9.6 Hz, ³J_(H4α-H5) = 9.2 Hz, 1H, H_αC4), 2.83 (dddd, ³J_(H4α-P) = 13.1 Hz, ²J_(H4α-H4β) = 10.9 Hz, ³J_(H4α-H3) = 9.6 Hz, ³J_(H4α-H5) = 9.2 Hz, 1H, H_αC4), 1.32 (t, ³J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂OP), 1.27 (t, ³J = 7.1 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂OP). ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 160.33 (C=O), 156.50, 147.35, 137.65, 129.26, 128.96, 123.27, 120.46, 75.58 (d, ³J_(CCCP) = 6.6 Hz, C5), 63.58 (d, ¹J_(CCP) = 169.1 Hz, C3), 63.18 (d, ²J_(COP) = 6.5 Hz, CH₂OP), 63.15 (d, ²J_(COP) = 6.4 Hz, CH₂OP), 16.37 (d, ³J_(CCCP) = 5.4 Hz, CH₃CH₂OP). ³¹P-NMR (243 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 20.92. Anal. Calcd. for C₁₆H₂₁BrN₃O₅P: C, 43.07; H, 4.74; N, 9.42. Found: C, 43.12; H, 4.35; N, 9.33.

Diethyl trans-[5-(3-benzyl-6-bromo-4-oxo-3,4-dihydroquinazolin-2-yl)-2-methylisoxazolidin-3-yl]phosphonate (trans-11b). A yellowish oil. IR (film, cm⁻¹) ν_{max}: 3040, 2980, 2926, 2853, 1613, 1568, 1490, 1418, 1353, 1239, 1056, 1025, 835, 822, 699. ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.33 (d, ⁴*J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H, HC5'), 7.90 (dd, ³*J* = 8.9 Hz, ⁴*J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H, HC7'), 7.83 (d, ³*J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H, HC8'), 7.55–7.53 (m, 2H), 7.45–7.42 (m, 2H), 7.40–7.37 (m, 1H), 5.66 (s, 2H, N-CH₂), 5.25 (dd, ³*J*_(H5-H4β) = 6.8 Hz, ³*J*_(H5-H4α) = 6.4 Hz, 1H, HC5), 4.33–4.19 (m, 4H, 2 × CH₂OP), 3.42–3.39 (m, 1H, HC3), 3.07–2.94 (m, 2H, H_αC4, H_βC4), 3.05 (s, 3H, CH₃N), 1.42 (t, ³*J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂OP), 1.39 (t, ³*J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂OP). ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 166.08 (C=O), 163.35, 149.91, 137.20, 135.69, 129.67, 128.67, 128.65, 128.52, 128.45, 125.97, 120.69, 80.15 (d, ³*J*_(CCCP) = 8.5 Hz, C5), 69.14 (N-CH₂), 64.41 (d, ¹*J*_(CP) = 168.8 Hz, C3), 63.26 (d, ²*J*_(COP) = 6.5 Hz, CH₂OP), 62.42 (d, ²*J*_(COP) = 7.2 Hz, CH₂OP), 46.62 (CH₃N), 37.90 (C4), 16.58 (d, ³*J*_(CCOP) = 5.6 Hz, CH₃CH₂OP), 16.52 (d, ³*J*_(CCOP) = 5.6 Hz, CH₃CH₂OP). ³¹P-NMR (243 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 22.04. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₃H₂₇BrN₃O₅P: C, 51.50; H, 5.07; N, 7.83. Found: C, 51.78; H, 5.11; N, 7.70.

1H, *H*C5), 4.31–4.22 (m, 4H, 2 × CH₂OP), 3.36–3.33 (m, 1H, *H*C3), 3.00 (s, 3H, CH₃N), 2.99 (dddd, ${}^{2}J_{(H4\beta-P)} = 16.6$ Hz, ${}^{3}J_{(H4\beta-H4\alpha)} = 12.6$ Hz, ${}^{3}J_{(H4\beta-H3)} = 8.2$ Hz, ${}^{3}J_{(H4\beta-H5)} = 8.0$ Hz, 1H, *H*_βC4), 2.38 (dddd, ${}^{2}J_{(H4\alpha-H4\beta)} = 12.6$ Hz, ${}^{3}J_{(H4\alpha-P)} = 10.2$ Hz, ${}^{3}J_{(H4\alpha-H3)} = 8.8$ Hz, ${}^{3}J_{(H4\alpha-H5)} = 6.1$ Hz, 1H, *H*_αC4), 1.41 (t, ${}^{3}J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂OP), 1.39 (t, ${}^{3}J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂OP). 13 C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 165.56$ (C=O), 163.42, 150.09, 147.81, 137.49, 133.80, 132.03, 129.85, 129.14, 129.00, 125.66, 125.15, 121.03, 116.40, 80.08 (d, ${}^{3}J_{(CCCP)} = 7.8$ Hz, C5), 65.64 (N-CH₂), 64.30 (d, ${}^{1}J_{(CP)} = 168.5$ Hz, C3), 63.21 (d, ${}^{2}J_{(COP)} = 6.3$ Hz, CH₂OP), 62.49 (d, ${}^{2}J_{(COP)} = 6.8$ Hz, CH₂OP), 46.61 (d, ${}^{3}J_{(CNCP)} = 4.2$ Hz, CH₃N), 37.91 (C4), 16.54 (d, ${}^{3}J_{(CCOP)} = 5.6$ Hz, CH₃CH₂OP), 16.49 (d, ${}^{3}J_{(CCOP)} = 5.5$ Hz, CH₃CH₂OP). 31 P-NMR (243 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 21.85$. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₃H₂₆BrN₄O₇P: C, 47.52; H, 4.51; N, 9.64. Found: C, 47.22; H, 4.40; N, 9.35.

Diethyl trans-{5-[6-bromo-3-(3-nitrobenzyl)-4-oxo-3,4-dihydroquinazolin-2-yl]-2-methylisoxazolidin-3-yl]phosphonate (trans-11d). A yellowish oil. IR (film, cm⁻¹) ν_{max}: 3078, 2980, 2926, 2854, 1613, 1566, 1531, 1489, 1416, 1348, 1242, 1115, 1053, 1024, 966, 836, 805, 733, 671. ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.44–8.42 (m, 1H), 8.32 (d, ⁴J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, HC5'), 8.24–8.22 (m, 1H), 7.92 (dd, ³J = 8.9 Hz, ⁴J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, HC7'), 7.90–7.88 (m, 1H), 7.84 (d, ³J = 8.9 Hz, 1H, HC8'), 7.63–7.60 (m, 1H), 5.77 (s, 2H, N-CH₂), 5.29 (dd, ³J_(H5-H4β) = 8.0 Hz, ³J_(H5-H4α) = 6.4 Hz, 1H, HC5), 4.34–4.23 (m, 4H, 2 × CH₂OP), 3.44–3.37 (m, 1H, HC3), 3.10–2.94 (m, 2H, H_αC4, H_βC4), 3.07 (s, 3H, CH₃N), 1.43 (t, ³J = 7.1 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂OP), 1.41 (t, ³J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂OP). ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 165.59 (C=O), 163.05, 150.03, 148.49, 137.81, 137.49, 134.31, 129.78, 129.76, 125.74, 123.45, 123.29, 121.03, 116.42, 80.00 (d, ³J_(CCCP) = 8.4 Hz, C5), 65.61 (N-CH₂), 64.38 (d, ¹J_(CP) = 168.5 Hz, C3), 63.26 (d, ²J_(COP) = 6.5 Hz, CH₂OP), 62.50 (d, ²J_(COP) = 5.9 Hz, CH₂OP), 46.57 (CH₃N), 37.77 (C4), 16.56 (d, ³J_(CCOP) = 5.6 Hz, CH₃CH₂OP), 16.50 (d, ³J_(CCOP) = 5.9 Hz, CH₃CH₂OP). ³¹P-NMR (243 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 21.52. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₃H₂₆BrN₄O₇P: C, 47.52; H, 4.51; N, 9.64. Found: C, 47.71; H, 4.51; N, 9.44.

Diethyl trans-{5-[6-bromo-3-(4-nitrobenzyl)-4-oxo-3,4-dihydroquinazolin-2-yl]-2-methylisoxazolidin-3-yl]phosphonate (trans-**11e**). A yellowish oil. IR (film, cm⁻¹) ν_{max}: 3069, 2969, 2925, 2854, 1610, 1571, 1523, 1490, 1343, 1285, 1241, 1114, 1027, 968, 837. ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 8.35$ (d, ⁴*J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H, HC5'), 1H), 8.30–8.28 (m, 2H), 7.95 (dd, ³*J* = 8.9 Hz, ⁴*J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H, HC7'), 7.86 (d, ³*J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H, HC8'), 7.72–7.71 (m, 2H), 5.76 (s, 1H, N-CH₂), 5.24 (dd, ³*J*_(H5-H4β) = 6.4 Hz, ³*J*_(H5-H4α) = 6.0 Hz, 1H, HC5), 4.32–4.22 (m, 4H, 2 × CH₂OP), 3.37–3.33 (m, 1H, HC3), 3.07–2.98 (m, 1H, H_βC4), 3.03 (s, 3H, CH₃-N), 2.94 (dddd, ³*J*_(H4α-P) = 12.4 Hz, ²*J*_(H4α-H4β) = 12.4 Hz, ³*J*_(H4α-H3) = 9.2 Hz, ³*J*_(H4α-H5) = 6.0 Hz, 1H, H_αC4), 1.41 (t, ³*J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂OP), 1.39 (t, ³*J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂OP). ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 165.57$ (C=O), 163.06, 150.04, 147.95, 142.93, 137.55, 129.83, 128.67, 125.69, 123.92, 121.09, 116.42, 79.97 (d, ³*J*_(CCCP) = 8.6 Hz, C5), 67.55 (s, N-CH₂), 64.40 (d, ¹*J*_(CP) = 168.3 Hz, C3), 63.28 (d, ²*J*_(COP) = 5.7 Hz, CH₃CH₂OP), 16.50 (d, ³*J*_(CCOP) = 5.8 Hz, CH₃CH₂OP). ³¹P-NMR (243 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 21.85$. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₃H₂₆BrN₄O₇P: C, 47.52; H, 4.51; N, 9.64. Found: C, 47.75; H, 4.54; N, 9.39.

Diethyl trans-{5-[6-bromo-3-(2-fluorobenzyl)-4-oxo-3,4-dihydroquinazolin-2-yl]-2-methylisoxazolidin-3-yl]phosphonate (trans-11f). Data presented below were extracted from spectra of a 88:12 mixture of trans-11f and cis-11f. Yellowish oil. IR (film, cm⁻¹) ν_{max} : 3069, 2981, 2929, 2909, 1614, 1567, 1490, 1456, 1353, 1285, 1116, 1025, 964, 869, 760, 691. ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.31 (d, ⁴*J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H, HC5'), 7.90 (dd, ³*J* = 8.9 Hz, ⁴*J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H, HC7'), 7.84 (d, ³*J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H, HC8'), 7.58–7.55 (m, 1H), 7.40–7.36 (m, 1H), 7.21–7.18 (m, 1H), 7.16–7.13 (m, 1H), 5.73 (AB, *J*_{AB} = 12.4 Hz, 1H, N-CH_{2a}), 5.25 (dd, ³*J*_(H5-H4β) = 7.9 Hz, ³*J*_(H5-H4α) = 6.2 Hz, 1H, HC5), 4.33–4.18 (m, 4H, 2 × CH₂OP), 3.42–3.39 (m, 1H, C3), 3.05 (s, 3H, CH₃-N), 3.03–2.96 (m, 1H, H_βC4), 2.96 (dddd, ³*J*_(H4α-P) = 12.5 Hz, ²*J*_(H4α-H4β) = 12.5 Hz, ³*J*_(H4α-H3) = 8.9 Hz, ³*J*_(H4α-H5) = 6.2 Hz, 1H, H_αC4), 1.42 (t, ³*J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂OP), 1.39 (t, ³*J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂OP). ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 165.94 (C=O), 163.31, 161.19 (d, ¹*J*_(CF) = 248.8 Hz, C2''), 149.96, 137.25, 130.81 (d, ³*J*_(CCCF) = 3.5 Hz,

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C4"), 130.52 (d, ${}^{3}J_{(CCCF)} = 8.0$ Hz, C6"), 129.68, 125.94, 124.26 (d, ${}^{4}J_{(CCCCF)} = 3.4$ Hz, C5"), 122.93 (d, ${}^{2}J_{(CCF)} = 14.5$ Hz, C3"), 120.75, 116.65, 115.66 (d, ${}^{2}J_{(CCF)} = 21.0$ Hz, C1"), 80.14 (dd, ${}^{3}J_{(CCCP)} = 8.1$ Hz, C5), 64.42 (d, ${}^{1}J_{(CP)} = 168.3$ Hz, C3), 63.25 (d, ${}^{2}J_{(COP)} = 6.5$ Hz, CH₂OP), 63.03 (d, ${}^{3}J = 4.3$ Hz, N-CH₂), 62.43 (d, ${}^{2}J_{(COP)} = 7.2$ Hz, CH₂OP), 46.59 (CH₃N), 37.89 (C4), 16.55 (d, ${}^{3}J_{(CCOP)} = 5.7$ Hz, CH₃CH₂OP), 16.50 (d, ${}^{3}J_{(CCOP)} = 5.8$ Hz, CH₃CH₂OP). 31 P-NMR (243 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 22.01$. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₃H₂₆BrFN₃O₅P: C, 49.83; H, 4.73; N, 7.58. Found: C, 49.49; H, 4.53; N, 7.71 (obtained on a 88:12 mixture of trans-11f and cis-11f).

Diethyl trans-{5-[6-bromo-3-(3-fluorobenzyl)-4-oxo-3,4-dihydroquinazolin-2-yl]-2-methylisoxazolidin-3-yl]phosphonate (trans-**11g**). Yellowish oil. IR (film, cm⁻¹) ν_{max}: 3071, 2979, 2926, 2853, 1613, 1572, 1490, 1452, 1415, 1345, 1285, 1255, 1114, 1055, 1025, 966, 836, 789, 749. ¹H-NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.35–8.33 (m, 1H), 7.91–7.89 (m, 1H), 7.84–7.82 (m, 1H), 7.41–7.37 (m, 1H), 7.30–7.28 (m, 1H), 7.26–7.24 (m, 1H), 7.08–7.05 (m, 1H), 5.64 (s, 1H, N-CH₂), 5.24 (dd, ³J_(H5-H4β) = 7.9 Hz, ³J_(H5-H4α) = 6.5 Hz, 1H, HC5), 4.33–4.17 (m, 4H, 2 × CH₂OP), 3.39–3.36 (m, 1H, C3), 3.04 (s, 3H, CH₃-N), 3.05–2.99 (m, 1H, H_βC4), 2.95 (dddd, ³J_(H4α-P) = 12.7 Hz, ²J_(H4α-H4β) = 12.7 Hz, ³J_(H4α-H3) = 9.7 Hz, ³J_(H4α-H5) = 6.5 Hz, 1H, H_αC4), 1.41 (t, ³J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂OP), 1.39 (t, ³J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂OP). ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 165.84 (C=O), 163.22, 162.91, (d, ¹J_(CF) = 246.7 Hz, C3'), 149.97, 138.18 (d, ³J_(CCCF) = 7.6 Hz, C5'), 137.31, 130.26 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, C1'), 129.72, 125.84, 123.80 (d, ⁴J_(CCCCF) = 2.4 Hz, C6'), 120.83, 116.59, 115.45 (d, ²J_(CCF) = 21.0 Hz, C4'), 115.21 (d, ²J_(CCF) = 22.0 Hz, C2'), 80.06 (dd, ³J_(CCCP) = 8.0 Hz, C5), 68.19 (d, ³J = 1.7 Hz, N-CH₂), 64.42 (d, ¹J_(CP) = 168.3 Hz, C3), 63.24 (d, ²J_(COP) = 6.4 Hz, CH₂OP), 62.44 (d, ²J_(COP) = 7.3 Hz, CH₂OP), 46.57 (d, ³J_(CNCP) = 3.7 Hz, CH₃N), 37.84 (s, C4), 16.55 (d, ³J_(CCOP) = 5.6 Hz, CH₃CH₂OP). ¹³P-NMR (121.5 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 21.97. Anal. Cald. for C₂₃H₂₆BrFN₃O₅P: C, 49.83; H, 4.73; N, 7.58. Found: C, 49.49; H, 4.53; N, 7.71.

Diethyl trans{5-[6-bromo-3-(4-fluorobenzyl)-4-oxo-3,4-dihydroquinazolin-2-yl]-2-methylisoxazolidin-3-yl}phosphonate (trans-**11h**). A yellowish oil. IR (film, cm⁻¹) v_{max} : 3072, 2981, 2926, 2853, 1611, 1568, 1512, 1490, 1430, 1351, 1285, 1227, 1160, 1114, 1099,1056, 1026, 965, 835.¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.31 (d, ⁴*J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H, *H*C5'), 7.91 (dd, ³*J* = 8.9 Hz, ⁴*J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H, *H*C7'), 7.84 (d, ³*J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H, *H*C8'), 7.55–7.53 (m, 2H), 7.14–7.11 (m, 2H), 5.63 (s, 1H, N-CH₂), 5.26 (dd, ³*J*_(H5-H4β) = 6.4 Hz, ³*J*_(H5-H4α) = 6.4 Hz, 1H, *H*C5), 4.34–4.22 (m, 4H, 2 × CH₂OP), 3.41–3.39 (m, 1H, C3), 3.07–3.00 (m, 1H, *H*_βC4), 3.06 (s, 3H, CH₃-N), 2.98 (dddd, ³*J*_(H4α-P) = 13.4 Hz, ²*J*_(H4α-H4β) = 13.4 Hz, ³*J*_(H4α-H3) = 10.4 Hz, ³*J*_(H4α-H5) = 6.4 Hz, 1H, *H*_αC4), 1.42 (t, ³*J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂OP), 1.40 (t, ³*J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂OP). ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 165.94 (C=O), 163.26, 162.84 (d, ¹*J*_(CF) = 247.6 Hz, C4''), 149.94, 137.25, 131.52 (d, ⁴*J*_(CCCF) = 3.1 Hz, C1''), 130.49 (d, ³*J*_(CCCF) = 8.0 Hz, C2'', C6''), 129.69, 125.89, 120.75, 116.65, 115.62 (d, ²*J*_(CCF) = 21.9 Hz, C3'', C5''), 80.09 (d, ³*J*_(CCP) = 8.1 Hz, C5), 68.40 (N-CH₂), 64.43 (d, ¹*J*_(CP) = 168.3 Hz, C3), 63.26 (d, ²*J*_(COP) = 6.5 Hz, CH₂OP), 16.46 (d, ³*J*_(CCOP) = 5.3 Hz, CH₃CH₂OP), ³¹P-NMR (243 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 22.00. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₃H₂₆BrFN₃O₅P: C, 49.83; H, 4.73; N, 7.58. Found: C, 50.20; H, 4.62; N, 7.32.

Diethyl trans-{5-[6-bromo-3-(2,4-difluorobenzyl)-4-oxo-3,4-dihydroquinazolin-2-yl]-2-methylisoxazolidin-3-yl} phosphonate (trans-11i). Data presented below were extracted from spectra of a 92:8 mixture of trans-11i and cis-11i. Yellowish oil. IR (film, cm⁻¹) v_{max} : 3079, 2959, 2924, 2853, 1738, 1689, 1613, 1565, 1509, 1490, 1416, 1351, 1280, 1141, 1100, 961, 836, 798. ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.30 (d, ⁴*J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H, HC5'), 7.92 (dd, ³*J* = 8.8 Hz, ⁴*J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H, HC7'), 7.85 (d, ³*J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H, HC8'), 7.59–7.55 (m, 1H), 6.95–6.89 (m, 2H), 5.68 (AB, *J*_{AB} = 13.3 Hz, 1H, N-CH_{2b}), 5.66 (AB, *J*_{AB} = 13.3 Hz, 1H, N-CH_{2a}), 5.25 (dd, ³*J*_(H5-H4β) = 7.7 Hz, ³*J*_(H5-H4α) = 6.5 Hz, 1H, HC5), 4.33–4.18 (m, 4H, 2 × CH₂OP), 3.41–3.38 (m, 1H, HC3), 3.07–3.01 (m, 1H, H_βC4), 3.05 (s, 3H, CH₃-N), 2.98 (dddd, ³*J*_(H4α-P) = 12.8 Hz, ²*J*_(H4α-H4β) = 12.8 Hz, ³*J*_(H4α-H3) = 9.7 Hz, ³*J*_(H4α-H5) = 6.5 Hz, 1H, H_αC4), 1.41 (t, ³*J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂OP). ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 165.82 (C=O), 163.32 (dd, ¹*J*_(CF) = 250.9 Hz, ³*J*_(CCCF) = 12.1 Hz, C2''), 163.20, 161.50 (dd, ¹*J*_(CF) = 251.4 Hz, ³*J*_(CCCF) = 12.2 Hz, C4''), 149.87, 137.31, 132.09 (dd, ³*J*_(CCCF) = 9.8 Hz, ³*J*_(CCCF) = 4.9 Hz, C6''), 129.71,

125.87, 120.81, 118.98 (dd, ${}^{2}J_{(CCF)} = 14.4$ Hz, ${}^{4}J_{(CCCCF)} = 3.4$ Hz, C1"), 116.58, 111.51 (dd, ${}^{2}J_{(CCF)} = 21.1$ Hz, ${}^{4}J_{(CCCCF)} = 3.5$ Hz, C5"), 104.21 (dd, ${}^{2}J_{(CCF)} = 25.3$ Hz, ${}^{2}J_{(CCF)} = 25.4$ Hz, C3"), 80.09 (dd, ${}^{3}J_{(CCCP)} = 7.9$ Hz, C5), 64.43 (d, ${}^{1}J_{(CP)} = 168.3$ Hz, C3), 63.26 (d, ${}^{2}J_{(COP)} = 6.5$ Hz, CH₂OP), 62.47 (d, ${}^{3}J_{(CCCF)} = 2.7$ Hz, N-CH₂), 62.43 (d, ${}^{2}J_{(COP)} = 6.3$ Hz, CH₂OP), 46.57 (d, ${}^{3}J_{(CNCP)} = 4.0$ Hz, CH₃N), 37.89 (C4), 16.56 (d, ${}^{3}J_{(CCOP)} = 5.7$ Hz, CH₃CH₂OP), 16.50 (d, ${}^{3}J_{(CCOP)} = 5.6$ Hz, CH₃CH₂OP). 31 P-NMR (243 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 21.98. Anal. Calcd. for C₂₃H₂₅BrF₂N₃O₅P × 0.75 H₂O: C, 47.15; H, 4.56; N, 7.17. Found: C, 46.84; H, 4.18; N, 6.96 (obtained on a 92:8 mixture of *trans*-11i and *cis*-11i).

Diethyl trans-{5-[6-bromo-3-methyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydroquinazolin-2-yl]-2-methylisoxazolidin-3-yl]phosphonate (trans-11j). A yellowish oil. IR (film, cm⁻¹) ν_{max}: 3521, 3477, 2976, 2912, 2855, 1687, 1606, 1470, 1308, 1265, 1050, 1023, 972, 849, 574. ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.42 (d, ⁴J = 2.3 Hz, 1H, HC5'), 7.82 (dd, ³J = 8.7 Hz, ⁴J = 2.3 Hz, 1H, HC7'), 7.56 (d, ³J = 8.7 Hz, 1H, HC8'), 5.18 (dd, ³J_(H5-H46) = 7.6 Hz, ³J_(H5-H46) = 5.7 Hz, 1H, HC5), 4.29–4.23 (m, 4H, 2 × CH₂OP), 3.75 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.71 (dddd, ³J_(H4α-P) = 12.6 Hz, ²J_(H4α-H4β) = 11.3 Hz, ³J_(H4α-H3) = 9.1 Hz, ³J_(H4α-H5) = 5.7 Hz, 1H, H_αC4), 3.35 (ddd, ³J_(H4β-P) = 15.3 Hz, ²J_(H4β-H4α) = 11.3 Hz, ³J_(H4β-H3) = 7.6 Hz, ³J_(H4β-H5) = 7.6 Hz, 1H, H_αC4), 1.41 (t, ³J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂OP), 1.40 (t, ³J = 7.1 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂OP). ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 161.31 (C=O), 152.70, 145.34, 137.33, 129.44, 129.37, 122.31, 121.02, 76.29 (d, ³J_(CCCP) = 7.8 Hz, C5), 64.35 (d, ¹J_(CCP) = 170.1 Hz, C3), 62.89 (d, ²J_(COP) = 6.6 Hz, CH₂OP), 62.73 (d, ²J_(COP) = 7.2 Hz, CH₂OP), 16.53 (d, ³J_(CCCP) = 5.1 Hz, CH₃CH₂OP). ³¹P-NMR (243 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 21.93. Anal. Calcd. for C₁₇H₂₃BrN₃O₅P: C, 44.36; H, 5.04; N, 9.13. Found: C, 44.15; H, 4.75; N, 9.03.

Diethyl trans-{5-[6-bromo-3-ethyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydroquinazolin-2-yl]-2-methylisoxazolidin-3-yl}phosphonate (trans-**11k**). Colorless oil. IR (film, cm⁻¹) ν_{max}: 3055, 2981, 2929, 2854, 1687, 1613, 1569, 1493, 1430, 1383, 1285, 1241, 1117, 1056, 1024, 967, 836. ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.32 (d, ⁴*J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H, HC5'), 7.90 (dd, ³*J* = 8.8 Hz, ⁴*J* = 2.2.Hz, 1H, HC7'), 7.82 (d, ³*J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H, HC8'), 5.23 (dd, ³*J*_(H5-H4β) = 8.0 Hz, ³*J*_(H5-H4β) = 6.0 Hz, 1H, HC5), 4.68 (q, ³*J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H, CH₃CH₂), 4.33–4.21 (m, 4H, 2 × CH₂OP), 3.45–3.43 (m, 1H, HC3), 3.07 (s, 3H, CH₃N), 3.06–3.01 (m, 1H, *H*_βC4), 2.97 (dddd, ³*J*_(H4α-P) = 12.6 Hz, ²*J*_(H4α-H4β) = 12.6 Hz, ³*J*_(H4α-H3) = 9.4 Hz, ³*J*_(H4α-H5) = 6.0 Hz, 1H, *H*_αC4), 1.55 (t, ³*J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂), 1.42 (t, ³*J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂OP), 1.39 (t, ³*J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂OP). ¹³C-NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 166.33 (C=O), 163.63, 149.78, 137.01, 129.63, 126.03, 120.47, 116.78, 80.22 (d, ³*J*_(CCCP) = 7.9 Hz, C5), 64.38 (d, ¹*J*_(CP) = 168.0 Hz, C3), 63.28 (d, ²*J*_(COP) = 6.4 Hz, CH₂OP), 62.41 (d, ²*J*_(COP) = 6.7 Hz, CH₂OP), 47.21 (CH₃N), 38.01 (C4), 29.69 (CH₃CH₂) 16.56 (d, ³*J*_(CCOP) = 5.5 Hz, CH₃CH₂OP), 16.50 (d, ³*J*_(CCOP) = 6.2 Hz, CH₃CH₂OP), 14.29 (CH₃CH₂). ³¹P-NMR (243 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 22.08. Anal. Calcd. for C₁₈H₂₅BrN₃O₅P: C, 45.58; H, 5.31; N, 8.86. Found: C, 45.37; H, 5.31; N, 8.54.

3.6. Antiviral Activity Assays

The compounds were evaluated against different herpesviruses, including herpes simplex virus type 1 (HSV-1) strain KOS, thymidine kinase-deficient (TK⁻) HSV-1 KOS strain resistant to ACV (ACV^r), herpes simplex virus type 2 (HSV-2) strain G, varicella-zoster virus (VZV) strain Oka, TK⁻ VZV strain 07-1, human cytomegalovirus (HCMV) strains AD-169 and Davis, as well as vaccinia virus, adeno virus-2, vesicular stomatitis virus, para-influenza-3 virus, reovirus-1, Sindbis virus, Coxsackie virus B4, Punta Toro virus, respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), feline coronovirus (FIPV), and influenza A virus subtypes H1N1 (A/PR/8), H3N2 (A/HK/7/87) and influenza B virus (B/HK/5/72). The antiviral assays were based on the inhibition of virus-induced cytopathicity or plaque formation in human embryonic lung (HEL) fibroblasts, African green monkey kidney cells (Vero), human epithelial cervix carcinoma cells (HeLa), Crandell-Rees feline kidney cells (CRFK), or Madin Darby canine kidney cells (MDCK). Confluent cell cultures in microtiter 96-well plates were inoculated with 100 CCID₅₀ of virus (1 CCID₅₀ being the virus dose to infect 50% of the cell cultures) or with 20 plaque forming units (PFU) and the cell cultures were incubated in the presence of varying concentrations of the test compounds.

Viral cytopathicity or plaque formation (VZV) was recorded as soon as it reached completion in the control virus-infected cell cultures that were not treated with the test compounds. Antiviral activity was expressed as the EC₅₀ or compound concentration required to reduce virus-induced cytopathicity or viral plaque formation by 50%. Cytotoxicity of the test compounds was expressed as the minimum cytotoxic concentration (MCC) or the compound concentration that caused a microscopically detectable alteration of cell morphology. Alternatively, the cytostatic activity of the test compounds was measured based on inhibition of cell growth. HEL cells were seeded at a rate of 5×10^3 cells/well into 96-well microtiter plates and allowed to proliferate for 24 h. Then, medium containing different concentrations of the test compounds was added. After three days of incubation at 37 °C, the cell number was determined with a Coulter counter. The cytostatic concentration was calculated as the CC₅₀, or the compound concentration by 50% relative to the number of cells in the untreated controls.

3.7. Cytostatic Activity against Immortalized Cell Lines

Murine leukemia (L1210), human T-lymphocyte (CEM), human cervix carcinoma (HeLa), and immortalized human dermal microvascular endothelial cells (HMEC-1) were suspended at 300,000–500,000 cells/mL of culture medium, and 100 μ L of a cell suspension was added to 100 μ L of an appropriate dilution of the test compounds in 200 μ L-wells of 96-well microtiter plates. After incubation at 37 °C for two (L1210), three (CEM), or four (HeLa) days, the cell number was determined using a Coulter counter. The IC₅₀ was defined as the compound concentration required to inhibit cell proliferation by 50%.

4. Conclusions

A series of isoxazolidine-conjugates of quinazolinones *trans*-11a–k and *cis*-11a–k were obtained from *N*-methyl *C*-(diethoxyphosphoryl)nitrone and selected N3-substituted 6-bromo-2-vinylquinazolinones. The *trans*-isoxazolidine cycloadducts (*trans*-11a, *trans*-11b, *trans*-11c, *trans*-11d, *trans*-11e, *trans*-11g, *trans*-11h, *trans*-11j, *trans*-11k) and isoxazolidine *cis*-11a, or the respective mixtures of isoxazolidines (*trans*-11f/*cis*-11f (95:5) and *trans*-11i/*cis*-11i (92:8)) were evaluated for their antiviral activity toward variety of DNA and RNA viruses. Almost all compounds were active against VZV and among them *trans*-11b, *trans*-11g, *trans*-11g, and *trans*-11h were the most potent (EC₅₀ = 5.8–11.6 μ M) and, at the same time, exhibited lower cytotoxicity toward uninfected cell lines (CC₅₀ = 33–42 μ M). Furthermore, (isoxazolidine)phosphonates *trans*-11d, *trans*-11g, *trans*-11h, and *trans*-11i/*cis*-11i (92:8) showed the highest activity against HCMV (EC₅₀ = 8.9–12.5 μ M). On the other hand, several compounds exhibited moderate cytostatic effect toward the CEM cell line (IC₅₀ = 9.6–17 μ M), however, slightly higher than that of 5-fluorouracil used as the reference drug.

It was proved that installation of functionalized benzyl groups at N3 in the quinazolinone moiety is essential for inhibitory properties toward both VZV and HCMV. At the same time, it was noticed that incorporation of the bromine atom at C6 in a quinazolinone skeleton resulted in a significant increase in potency of isoxazolidine-conjugates **11b–11i** toward both VZV (up to five-fold higher) and HCMV (up to three-fold higher) when compared with previously described analogous conjugates **10b–10i** lacking a bromine substituent at C6 of the quinazolinone moiety. Moreover, inhibitory properties of the newly synthesized compounds **11b–11k** toward tested cell lines were also slightly higher than those of previously described analogues **10b–10k**.

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