

Inhibitors for the decomposition of these flavin nucleotides were studied. EDTA, pyrophosphate, and orthophosphate were found to inhibit decomposition of both FMN and FAD in the homogenate. The minimum concentrations of these inhibitors for 50% or 100% inhibition were obtained.

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134. Tsutomu Momose, Yo Ueda, Tatsuo Shoji, and Hiroshige Yano: Organic Analysis. XII.⁵⁾ Infrared Spectra of Phenylsulfonyl Derivatives. (2). SO₂-Stretching Frequencies of Benzenesulfonamide Derivatives and CO-Stretching Frequencies of N-Acetylsulfonamide Groups.

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A few infrared spectral studies on benzenesulfonamide derivatives were reported by Adams, *et al.*,¹⁾ Schreiber,²⁾ Bellamy,³⁾ and Baxter, *et al.*,⁴⁾ but effect of substitution on the SO₂-stretching frequencies is hardly known.

In this work, infrared spectra of 48 benzenesulfonamide derivatives were measured and the effect of a substituent on the SO₂-stretching frequency is discussed. The CO-stretching frequency of the N-acetylsulfonamide group is also discussed.

Results and Discussion

Nature of the Spectra of SO₂-Stretching Vibrations

Since most of benzenesulfonamide derivatives were sparingly soluble in organic solvents except alcohols, a Nujol mull method was used for all samples in the measurement.

All compounds exhibited very strong absorption bands of an asymmetric (ν_{as}) and symmetric (ν_s) stretching mode of SO₂ group. Both absorption bands appeared as one or two bands, but in general, ν_{as} was more complex than ν_s . Their frequencies are tabulated in Table I.

Similarly as in the case of phenyl alkyl sulfone derivatives⁵⁾ all maximum bands, listed in bold-face type in the table, are used in this discussion. The ν_{as} and ν_s of benzenesulfonamide derivatives were in the ranges of 1358~1303 cm⁻¹ (7.37~7.68 μ) and of 1173~1130 cm⁻¹ (8.53~8.85 μ), respectively, although those of phenyl alkyl sulfone derivatives were in the ranges of 1339~1279 cm⁻¹ and 1172~1136 cm⁻¹, respectively. Therefore, the SO₂-frequencies, especially ν_{as} , of benzenesulfonamide derivatives existed in a shorter wavelength region than that of phenyl alkyl sulfone derivatives, as shown in Table II. This shift is reverse of that of CO-frequencies between carbonamides and carbonyl compounds.

The NH₂ group has both mesomeric and inductive effect. In carbonamides +M effect is larger than -I effect and the binding of CO group will be weakened by a resonance form

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of (Ib). For example, benzamide absorbs at a longer wave-length (1664 cm^{-1}) than acetophenone (1689 cm^{-1}).

TABLE I. Infrared Absorption Bands of SO_2 Group^{a)}

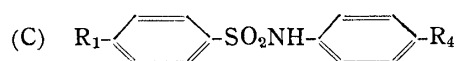
(A) $\text{R}_1\text{-}\langle\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\rangle\text{-SO}_2\text{NH}_2$

Compd. No.	R_1	ν_{as}		ν_{s}		Mean wave number
(I)	H	1339	1315 ^s	1156		1248
(II)	CH_3	1331	1306 ^s	1172	1152	1242
(III)	NH_2	1341	1324 ^s	1317	1148	1233
(IV)	CN	1345		1166		1256
(V)	COOH	1346	1321	1160		1253
(VI)	NH_2CH_2	1329	1305	1156		1243
(VII)	$\text{HCl}\cdot\text{NH}_2\text{CH}_2$	1351	1246 ^s	1336	1160	1256
(VIII)	$\text{HCl}\cdot\text{NH}_2(\text{CH}_3)\text{CH}$	1333	1320 ^s	1157		1245
(IX)	$\text{HCl}\cdot\text{CH}_3\text{NHCH}_2$	1340	1322	1170	1160	1241
(X)	$\text{HCl}\cdot\text{NH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2$	1340	1327 ^s	1161		1251
(XI)	$\text{HCl}\cdot\text{NH}_2(\text{C}_3\text{H}_7)\text{CH}$	1329	1316 ^s	1168		1249
(XII)	$\text{CH}_3\text{CONHCH}_2$	1335	1315	1151		1243
(XIII)	$\text{CH}_3\text{CONH}(\text{CH}_3)\text{CH}$	1341		1155		1248
(XIV)	$\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_3\text{CO})\text{NCH}_2$	1331		1147		1239
(XV)	$\text{CH}_3\text{CONHCH}_2\text{CH}_2$	1303		1157		1230
(XVI)	$\text{CH}_3\text{CONH}(\text{CH}_3)\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}_2$	1339		1166		1253
(XVII)	$\text{NH}_2\text{CONHCH}_2$	1314		1166		1240
(XVIII)	$(\text{CH}_3\text{COO})_2\text{CH}$	1351		1160		1256
(XIX)	$\text{HON}=\text{CH}$	1348		1167	1153	1258

(B) $\text{R}_1\text{-}\langle\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\rangle\text{-SO}_2\text{NR}_2\text{R}_3$

Compd. No.	R_1	R_2	R_3	ν_{as}		ν_{s}		Mean wave number	
(XX)	CHO	CH_3	H	1339		1175	1163	1251	
(XXI)	$\text{HON}=\text{CH}$	"	"	1333	1309	1293	1160	1247	
(XXII)	NH_2CH_2	"	"	1333	1323	1305	1161	1242	
(XXIII)	$\text{HCl}\cdot\text{NH}_2\text{CH}_2$	"	"	1331			1167	1249	
(XXIV)	CN	COCH ₃	"	1351	1333 ^s		1156	1254	
(XXV)	COOH	"	"	1358			1164	1261	
(XXVI)	$\text{HCl}\cdot\text{NH}_2\text{CH}_2$	"	"	1351	1323		1167	1259	
(XXVII)	$\text{CH}_3\text{CONH}(\text{CH}_3)\text{CH}$	"	"	1346	1317		1167	1257	
(XXVIII)	$\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_3\text{CO})\text{NCH}_2$	"	"	1350			1166	1258	
(XXIX)	$\text{CH}_3\text{CONHCH}_2$	"	"	1345			1164	1255	
(XXX)	$(\text{CH}_3\text{CO})_2\text{NCH}_2$	"	"	1348			1152	1250	
(XXXI)	$\text{CH}_3\text{CONHCH}_2\text{CH}_2$	"	"	1347			1168	1258	
(XXXII)	$(\text{CH}_3\text{CO})_2\text{NCH}_2\text{CH}_2$	"	"	1349			1176	1164	1257
(XXXIII)	$\text{CH}_3\text{CONHCH}_2^{\text{b)}$	"	"	1350			1173	1165	1258
(XXXIV)	$(\text{CH}_3\text{CO})_2\text{NCH}_2^{\text{b)}$	"	"	1350			1173	1164	1257
(XXXV)	$\text{CH}_3\text{CONHCH}_2$	"	CH_3	1357	1368		1166		1262
(XXXVI)	$(\text{CH}_3\text{CO})_2\text{NCH}_2$	"	"	1353	1338		1163		1258
(XXXVII)	$(\text{CH}_3\text{COO})_2\text{CH}$	"	"	1357	1342 ^s		1173	1166 ^s	1265
(XXXVIII)	NH_2CH_2		H	1316			1147	1130	1223
(XXXIX)	$\text{HCl}\cdot\text{NH}_2\text{CH}_2$	"	"	1337	1328		1148	1139	1238

s: shoulder
a) Bold-face type indicates the maximum band
b) In this compound, R_1 is in the position *ortho* to the sulfonamide group



Compd. No.	R ₁	R ₄	ν_{as}		ν_s		Mean wave number
(XL)	HCl·NH ₂ CH ₂	H	1333 ^s	1327	1163	1155 ^s	1245
(XLI)	NH ₂ CH ₂	CH ₃	1332		1153		1243
(XLII)	HCl·NH ₂ CH ₂	"	1335		1151		1243
(XLIII)	HCl·NH ₂ CH ₂	OC ₂ H ₅	1335	1329	1157		1243
(XLIV)	NH ₂ CH ₂	OH	1333		1150		1242
(XLV)	HCl·NH ₂ CH ₂	"	1316		1157		1237
(XLVI)	NH ₂ CH ₂	COOH	1325		1156		1241
(XLVII)	HCl·NH ₂ CH ₂	"	1347		1155		1251
(XLVIII)	HCl·NH ₂ CH ₂	NO ₂	1352		1163		1258

On the contrary, in sulfonamides, +M effect on SO₂ group may be smaller than -I effect, and accordingly a contribution of resonance form of (IIb) may increase the force constant of SO₂ group to absorb in a shorter wave-length region.

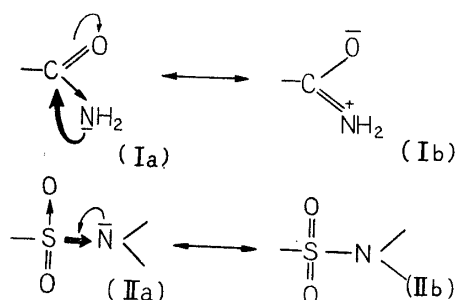


TABLE II. Frequency Shift between Benzenesulfonamide and Phenyl Alkyl Sulfone


R ₁ \ R ₂		NH ₂			CH ₃			Difference of mean wave number
		ν_{as}	ν_s	Mean wave number	ν_{as}	ν_s	Mean wave number	
H		1339	1156	1248	1285	1143	1214	-34
CH ₃		1331	1152	1242	1304	1149	1227	-15
NH ₂		1317	1148	1233	1282	1140	1211	-22
CN		1345	1166	1256	1319	1156	1238	-18
HCl·NH ₂ CH ₂		1351	1160	1256	1314	1155	1235	-21
HCl·NH ₂ (CH ₃)CH		1333	1157	1245	1309	1151	1230	-15
CH ₃ CONHCH ₂		1335	1151	1243	1297	1152	1225	-18
(CH ₃ COO) ₂ CH		1351	1160	1256	1309	1160	1235	-21
HON=CH		1348	1167	1258	1307	1153	1230	-28

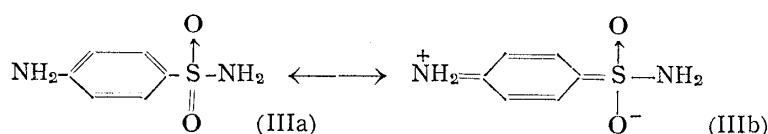
TABLE III. Shift of Mean Wave Number by the Substituent R₁

R ₁	Mean wave number	Shift	Hammett's σ	δ_p
CN	1256	+ 8	+0.628	+0.30
COOH	1253	+ 5	+0.265	+0.17
H	1248	0	0	0
NH ₂ CH ₂	1243	- 5		-0.03
CH ₃	1242	- 6	-0.170	-0.10
NH ₂	1233	-15	-0.660	-0.40

Substitution Effect on SO₂ Frequencies

All samples were measured as Nujol mull and a mean frequency $(\nu_{as} + \nu_s)/2$ of the SO₂ group was used in the estimation of substitution effect, which was successfully used in a previous work of this series.

At first, the effects of some substituents (R₁) of R₁--SO₂NH₂ were compared with each other. Table III shows that, when benzenesulfonamide is taken as a standard, *p*-NH₂ substituent causes the greatest shift of both frequencies to a longer wave-length region, and *p*-CN causes a shift to a shorter wave-length region. The magnitude of these shifts is approximately linear to Hammett's $\sigma^{(6)}$ or to the chemical shift parameters of benzene derivatives.⁷⁾ It may also be supposed in benzenesulfonamide derivatives that if the electron density of S atom diminishes, a double-bond character of S-O bond will increase, and the force constant of the bond will become larger, absorbing at a shorter wave-length region, and *vice versa*.





The shift of *p*-aminobenzenesulfonamide may be explained by the contribution of its resonance form of (IIIb).

The shift of *p*-cyanobenzenesulfonamide may be explained by the -I effect of *p*-CN group, which will give a stronger double-bond character to the S-O bond, and may cause it to absorb in a shorter wave-length region.

The effect of *p*-CH₃, *p*-CH₂NH₂, and *p*-COOH group is between those of *p*-NH₂ and *p*-CN groups. Substituents other than those discussed have their own effect on the SO₂ bond, and though they cannot be discussed in detail, it may be concluded in general that each substituent has similar effect on the SO₂-frequency in both phenyl alkyl sulfone and benzenesulfonamide derivatives.

Next, the effect of some substituents attached to the N atom of -SO₂NH₂ group was examined. The results are listed in Table IV. It is clear from the Table that electron-accepting group (COCH₃) gives a stronger double-bond character to the S-O bond and causes it to absorb in a rather shorter wave-length region. Inversely, electron-donating group (CH₃) makes the S-O bond to have a more single-bond character and to absorb in a longer wave-length region. Above explanation will be confirmed by the effect of six kinds of substituents

(R₄) of HCl·NH₂CH₂--SO₂NH--R₄ as shown in Table V. Electron-donating group (OH) and electron-accepting group (NO₂) show the largest shifts for a longer and for a shorter wave-length region, respectively, when R₄=H is taken as a standard. The order of the shift agrees with Hammett's σ or with the chemical shift parameters of benzene derivatives, and an approximate linear correlation can be seen between them.

CO-Stretching Frequencies of -SO₂NHCOCH₃ Group

The amide-I band is known to shift toward a shorter wave-length region in N-arylamide, N-chloroamide,⁸⁾ and -CONHCO- compounds.⁹⁾ This shift is caused by the electron affinity of aryl, halogen, and CO groups, which will withdraw the N-electron from conjugation with the carbonyl group.

All N-acetylbenzenesulfonamide derivatives measured in solid state had very strong absorption bands in a range of 1720~1691 cm⁻¹ (5.81~5.91 μ) (Table VI). These bands must

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correspond to the amide-I band, and the shift of *N*-acetylbenzenesulfonamide derivatives, which may be caused by the electronegativity of SO₂ group, reaches an amount of about 40 cm⁻¹.

Ishidate and one of the present authors¹⁰⁾ suggested the possibility of a presence of two kinds of diacetates in *p*-aminomethyl- and *p*-aminoethyl-benzenesulfonamide, but, as shown in Table VI, the compounds (XXX), (XXXII), (XXXIV), and (XXXVI) proved to be triacetates which have one weak ν_{NH} band, corresponding to the NH of -SO₂NH-COCH₃ group, three amide-I bands, and no amide-II band. The diacetates (XXIX), (XXXI), (XXXIII), and (XXXV) have a strong ν_{NH} and a weak ν_{NH} band in 3- μ region, a very strong amide-II band, and two amide-I bands.

TABLE IV. Shift of Mean Wave Number by Substituent R₂

R ₁ --SO ₂ NHR ₂					
R ₁	R ₂	Mean wave number	R ₂	Mean wave number	Shift
HON=CH	H	1258	CH ₃	1247	-11
NH ₂ CH ₂	"	1243	"	1242	-1
HCl·NH ₂ CH ₂	"	1256	"	1249	-7
HCl·NH ₂ CH ₂	"	1256	C ₆ H ₅	1245	-11
CN	"	1256	COCH ₃	1254	-2
COOH	"	1253	"	1261	+8
HCl·NH ₂ CH ₂	"	1256	"	1259	+3
CH ₃ CONH(CH ₃)CH	"	1248	"	1257	+9
CH ₃ (CH ₃ CO)NCH ₂	"	1239	"	1258	+19
CH ₃ CONHCH ₂	"	1243	"	1255	+12
CH ₃ CONHCH ₂ CH ₂	"	1230	"	1258	+28

TABLE V. Shift of Mean Wave Number by the Substituent R₄

HCl·NH ₂ CH ₂ --SO ₂ NH--R ₄				
R ₄	Mean wave number	Shift	Hammett's σ	δ_p
NO ₂	1258	+13	+0.778	+0.42
COOH	1251	+6	+0.265	+0.17
H	1245	0	0	0
CH ₃	1243	-2	-0.170	-0.10
OC ₂ H ₅	1243	-2	-0.250	
OH	1237	-8	-0.357	-0.37

TABLE VI. Amide-I and -II, and ν_{NH} band of

R ₁ --SO ₂ NR ₂ COCH ₃								
Compd. No.	R ₁	m.p. (°C)	R ₂	ν_{NH}		Amide-I band		Amide-II band
(XXIV)	CN		H			1712		
(XXV)	COOH		"			1686 ^{b)}		
(XXVI)	HCl·NH ₂ CH ₂		"			1691		
(XXVII)	CH ₃ CONH(CH ₃)CH		"			1709	1647	
(XXVIII)	CH ₃ (CH ₃ CO)NCH ₂		"			1709	1610	
(XXIX)	CH ₃ CONHCH ₂	214	"	3413	3106	1703	1641	1550
(XXX)	(CH ₃ CO) ₂ NCH ₂	196	"		3197	1725	1704	1674
(XXXI)	CH ₃ CONHCH ₂ CH ₂	192	"	3430	3132	1703	1646	1558
(XXXII)	(CH ₃ CO) ₂ NCH ₂ CH ₂	145~146	"		3135	1727 ^s	1718	1658
(XXXIII)	CH ₃ CONHCH ₂ ^{a)}	216~218	"	3376	3067	1697	1639	1559
(XXXIV)	(CH ₃ CO) ₂ NCH ₂ ^{a)}	146~148	"		3150	1733 ^s	1720	1657

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(XXXV)	$\text{CH}_3\text{CONHCH}_2$	110~111	CH_3	3344	3115	1692	1631	1556
(XXXVI)	$(\text{CH}_3\text{CO})_2\text{NCH}_2$	83~85	"			1706 ^{b)}	1687	
(XXXVII)	$(\text{CH}_3\text{COO})_2\text{CH}$		"			1692 ^{b)}		
	a) <i>ortho</i> compound		b) overlapped bands				s: shoulder	

The estimation of acetyl groups by the Kögl's semi-micro method agrees with these results and therefore the former theory should be abandoned.

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Experimental

Infrared spectra were measured with a Koken Model DS-201 recording infrared spectrophotometer using NaCl prism.

4-(3-Acetamido-3-methylpropyl) benzenesulfonamide (XVI)—(3-Amino-3-methylpropyl)benzene was acetylated with Ac_2O . Distillation under reduced pressure gave pale yellow oily substance of b.p. 168~170°. Sulfonation of this acetate with chlorosulfonic acid and amination of the oily sulfonyl chloride with 28% NH_4OH gave crystals which were recrystallized from dil. EtOH to colorless plates, m.p. 187~188°. *Anal.* Calcd. for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_3\text{N}_2\text{S}$: N, 10.74. Found: N, 11.24.

N-Acetyl-4-cyanobenzenesulfonamide (XXIV)—(IV) was acetylated with Ac_2O and the product was recrystallized from water to colorless needles, m.p. 207~209°. *Anal.* Calcd. for $\text{C}_9\text{H}_8\text{O}_3\text{N}_2\text{S}$: N, 12.50. Found: N, 12.35.

4-(N-Methylacetamidomethyl) benzenesulfonamide (XIV)—Sulfonation of N-methyl-N-benzylacetamide with chlorosulfonic acid and amination of the oily sulfonyl chloride with 28% NH_4OH gave crystals, which were recrystallized from AcOEt and dried over P_2O_5 . Colorless plates, m.p. 162~163°. *Anal.* Calcd. for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_3\text{N}_2\text{S}$: N, 11.56. Found: N, 11.89.

N-Acetyl-4-(N-methylacetamidomethyl) benzenesulfonamide (XXVIII)—(XIV) was acetylated with Ac_2O and was recrystallized from water. Colorless plates, m.p. 233°. *Anal.* Calcd. for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_4\text{N}_2\text{S}$: N, 9.86. Found: N, 9.91.

2-Aminomethylbenzenesulfonamide Di- and Tri-acetates (XXXIII and XXXIV)—2.5 g. of 2-aminomethylbenzenesulfonamide was refluxed for 2 hrs. with 10 cc. of Ac_2O and 2.5 g. of AcONa. After cool, the reaction mixture was poured into water and extracted successively with ether and AcOEt. Ethereal solution gave crystals on evaporation which were recrystallized from EtOH to colorless prisms, m.p. 146~148°. *Anal.* Calcd. for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_5\text{N}_2\text{S}$: N, 8.97. Found: N, 8.53.

AcOEt solution gave crystals on evaporation which were recrystallized from EtOH to colorless prisms, m.p. 216~218°. *Anal.* Calcd. for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_4\text{N}_2\text{S}$: N, 10.37. Found: N, 9.87.

Estimation of Acetyl Group—The Kögl's semimicro method was used and the results are shown in Table VII.

TABLE VII.

Sample	(XXIX)	(XXX)	(XXXI)	(XXXII)
m.p. (°C)	214	196	192	145~146
Molecular weight	270.31	312.35	284.33	326.37
Weight taken (mg.)	37.3	43.4	31.1	38.8
0.05N NaOH consumed (cc.)	5.54	8.31	4.06	6.80
No. of acetyl group	2.008	2.99	1.85	2.87

Summary

Infrared spectra of 48 benzenesulfonamide derivatives were measured and substituent effect on the SO_2 -stretching frequencies was discussed, comparing with those of phenyl sulfone derivatives. The SO_2 frequencies, especially ν_{as} , of benzenesulfonamide derivatives proved to be in a shorter wave-length region than that of phenyl sulfone derivatives. Electron-donating or -accepting groups attached to the phenyl ring or directly to the sulfonamide group shifted the SO_2 frequencies to a longer or a shorter wave-length region, respectively.

The CO stretching frequency of N-acetylsulfonamide group showed a large shift to a shorter wave-length region.

Synthesis of some benzenesulfonamide derivatives was also described.

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135. Shoji Inoue: Studies on Pyrimidine Derivatives. VII.¹⁾ Synthesis of Thiazolo[5,4-*d*]pyrimidines and Related Compounds. (7)

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In Part III²⁾ of this series, it was shown that 2-methyl-5-chlorothiazolo[5,4-*d*]pyrimidine was obtained from 2-chloro-4-mercapto-5-aminopyrimidine (I) by the action of acetic anhydride. Since then two kinds of thiazolo[5,4-*d*]pyrimidine derivatives have been prepared from (I). 5-Chlorothiazolo[5,4-*d*]pyrimidine (II) was obtained in a good yield by the treatment of (I) with ethyl orthoformate and 2-hydroxy-5-chlorothiazolo[5,4-*d*]pyrimidine (VI) was prepared by heating (I) with phosgene in dioxane.

The chlorine in (II) is reactive and by the action of sodium ethoxide, sodium ethanethioxide or sodium phenoxide, (II) was converted into 5-ethoxythiazolo[5,4-*d*]pyrimidine (III), 5-ethylthio-thiazolo[5,4-*d*]pyrimidine (IV), and 5-phenoxythiazolo[5,4-*d*]pyrimidine (V), respectively. In these operations, however, a small amount of alkali-soluble by-product was formed in each case. The products thus obtained were assumed to be formed by the cleavage of the C-S bond in (II).

The reactivity of the chlorine in (VI) was decreased owing to the strong influence of the 2-hydroxyl substituent and the condensation product (VII) was obtained from (VI) by refluxing with sodium ethanethioxide for 16 hours under conditions similar to the formation of (IV) from (II). Compound (VII) was also produced by the treatment of 2-hydroxy-5-mercaptothiazolo[5,4-*d*]pyrimidine (IX) with ethyl bromide and (IX) was prepared from 2,4-dimercapto-5-aminopyrimidine (VIII)³⁾ and phosgene.

It has already been shown in part IV³⁾ of this series that 2,5-dimercaptothiazolo[5,4-*d*]pyrimidine (X) may be prepared from (VIII) and potassium methylxanthate, and that (X) could be converted into the corresponding diethylthio derivative in the usual manner.

On the other hand, when only one mole of ethyl bromide was allowed to react with the dimercapto compound (X), a smooth reaction occurred and the monoethylthio compound, 2-mercapto-5-ethylthio-thiazolo[5,4-*d*]pyrimidine (XI) was obtained. In order to determine the position of substitution in (XI), the remaining group in (XI) was oxidized to the corresponding hydroxyl group by the addition of hydrogen peroxide to the sodium salt of (XI), and the resulting product was found to be identical with 2-hydroxy-5-ethylthio-thiazolo[5,4-*d*]pyrimidine (VII) obtained by the above-mentioned process.

Similarly, the reaction of 2,7-dimercaptothiazolo[5,4-*d*]pyrimidine (XIII),¹⁾ prepared from (XII) by the action of one mole of ethyl bromide, afforded the 7-substituted monoethylthio compound (XIV), and this was oxidized to 2-hydroxy-7-ethylthio-thiazolo[5,4-*d*]pyrimidine (XV) by a method identical to the reaction of (XI) with hydrogen peroxide.

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