

3-Azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane Derivatives as Potential AnalgesicsEIJ I OHKI, SADA O OIDA, YOSHIHIKO OHASHI,
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3-Azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane derivatives were prepared and tested biologically. Some of these, 3-methyl-9 β -alkoxy-9 α -phenyl-3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (6—8) and their 3-(β -phenylethyl-) analogs (18—20) exhibited promising analgesic activities. Furthermore, 3-methyl-9-benzoyloxy-3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (24 and 25) displayed a marked local anaesthetic action.

The so-called "reversed ester" series of meperidine, derivatives of 4-phenylpiperidin-4-ol, has yielded compounds of greater analgesic effectiveness than the parent substance. Further, among the many other ramifications in the structure of the phenylpiperidinols, the introduction of a methyl group into the 3-position of the piperidine ring has been found to be most noteworthy. Thus, the resulting α - and β -prodines (1), trimeperidines (2), and so on were developed as promising analgesics and have been used clinically. However, in these materials, the methyl substituent on the piperidine ring gives rise to an asymmetric center which often results in the formation of a complex mixture of stereoisomers, making the synthetic route more troublesome.

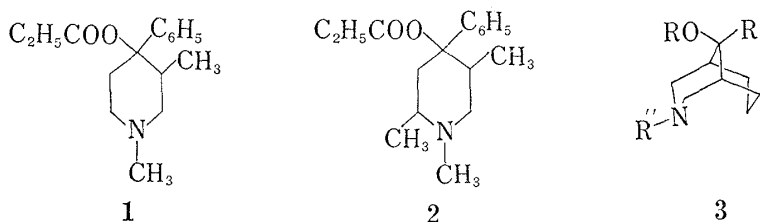


Chart 1

Consequently, with expectation of preparing some potent analgesics, we have examined the pharmacological properties of azabicyclic compounds (3) with a 3,5-methylene bridge in the piperidine ring, thus obviating the introduction of an unfavorable asymmetric center in the synthetic process.²⁻⁴⁾ In addition, the recently increased attention to the steric structure-activity relationship⁵⁾ on meperidine series has prompted us to study the analgesic activities of these azabicyclic compounds with a stereochemically-fixed skeleton.

A parent compound with three methylene bridge between the 3- and 5-positions of the piperidine ring, 3-methyl-9 β -hydroxy-9 α -phenyl-3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (4), was prepared from 3-methyl-3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane-9-one³⁾ by successive treatment with phenylmagne-

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sium bromide and acid.^{2,3)} It was first found that the 9 β -hydroxy compound (**4**) exhibited a slight analgesic properties as shown in the Table I.⁷⁾ On the other hand, a prodine analog of **4**, 3-methyl-9 β -propionyloxy-9 α -phenyl-3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (**5**) showed high activity being superior to meperidine and displaying a lower toxicity. Thus, the 9 β -propionyloxy compound (**5**) was regarded as a promising analgesic: however, **5** and its salts were found to be unstable towards heat, acid and alkali as described previously.⁴⁾ Accordingly, we turned to 9 β -alkoxy derivatives of **4** which can be also prepared on treatment of **4** with acid and alcohol.^{4,8)} 9 β -Methoxy (**6**) and 9 β -ethoxy (**7**) derivatives thereby obtained surprisingly show-

TABLE I. Analgesic Effect of 3-Azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane Derivatives⁷⁾

Substances		Activity ED ₅₀ (mg/kg, s.c.)	Toxicity LD ₅₀ (mg/kg, s.c.)
No.	R		
4	H	ca. 60	350
5	C ₂ H ₅ CO	8.9	316
6	CH ₃	4.1	198
7	C ₂ H ₅	5.3	263
8	C ₃ H ₇	9.1	276
Meperidine hydrochloride		14	182
Morphine hydrochloride		5	560

ed a stronger activity which was more than three times that of meperidine. In direct contrast to the 9 β -propionyloxy compound (**5**), these alkoxy derivatives (**6** and **7**) were found to be quite stable to heat, acid or alkali. Consequently, this high analgesic potency and accessible toxicity led to their selection for extensive pharmacological testing and clinical trials, the details of which will be announced in another paper.⁹⁾ The potency of these alkoxy derivatives

- 7) Evaluation of the analgesic effects of the azabicyclic compounds examined were carried out by using Haffner tail pinch method (F. Haffner, *Dtsch. Med. Wschr.*, **55**, 731 (1929); C. Bianchi and J. Fronches-hjni, *Brit. J. Pharmacol.*, **9**, 280 (1954)). The materials were given as their hydrogen citrate salts, subcutaneously to male mice of the ddY strain. The analgesic potency was expressed as the ED₅₀ calculated by the Litchfield-Wilcoxon's method (J.T. Litchfield and F. Wilcoxon, *J. Pharmacol. Exp. Therap.*, **96**, 99 (1949)) and compared with that of meperidine hydrochloride or morphine hydrochloride. Acute toxicities were also determined in 5—10 male mice of the ddY strain per dose. The materials were administered subcutaneously or intraperitoneally and mortalities were recorded 1 week later. The LD₅₀ was also calculated by the Litchfield-Wilcoxon's method. These data were shown in Table I and II.
- 8) As discussed in our preceding paper,⁴⁾ this acid-catalysed etherification proceeds stereospecifically and the resulting ethers have a 9 β -alkoxy-9 α -phenyl configuration. This was indicated by their nuclear magnetic resonance spectra in consideration with the House's illustration³⁾ that the *N*-methyl proton signal in the spectra of 9 β -hydroxy-9 α -phenyl compounds (**4**) falls at 2.20—2.24 ppm and that of the 9 β -phenyl-9 α -hydroxy isomers shifts to a higher field about 0.2 ppm with an influence of the benzene ring current. The predominant formation of the 9 β -alkoxy derivative would be explainable as follows: The displacement reaction in the 9 position is not a kinetically controlled process but includes an equilibrium between 9 α - and 9 β -isomers controlled by the stability of these components. The 9 β -alkoxy isomer would be stabilized by an intramolecular hydrogen bond in an acidic medium as shown in the Chart and promotes the equilibrium to a 9 β -isomer rich mixture.

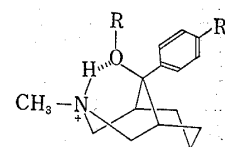


Chart 4

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is effectively lowered by extension of the alkoxy carbon chain, as shown in the case of the 9 β -propoxy analog (8).

Effects of structural changes on the analgesic activity of the 9 β -methoxy derivative (6) were examined in the following way. Some phenyl variants, *p*-methylphenyl (9), *p*-methoxyphenyl (10), and *p*-chlorophenyl (11) analogs were synthesized analogously by treatment of 3-methyl-3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonan-9-one with the corresponding arylmagnesium bromide, followed by etherification⁸⁾ with acid and methanol: however, these analogs did not show any notable activity as shown in the Table II. In order to prepare various N-substituted derivatives of the 9 β -methoxy derivative (6), the N-desmethyl compound (12) was synthesized as follows. Treatment of 6 with cyanogen bromide in benzene gave a N-cyano compound (13), mp 130—132° in 70% yield. Treatment of 13 with lithium aluminum hydride in tetrahydrofuran furnishes the N-desmethyl compound (12) as a syrup but in a low yield; 12 formed an N-acetate, mp 114—116°. On the other hand, cyanogen bromide degradation of the 9 β -hydroxy derivative (4) and treatment of the resulting N-cyano compound (14), mp 178—180° with lithium aluminum hydride afforded a 9 β -hydroxy-N-desmethyl derivative (15), mp 153—155°, which was converted into 12, mp 64°, in a good yield on treatment with methanol in the

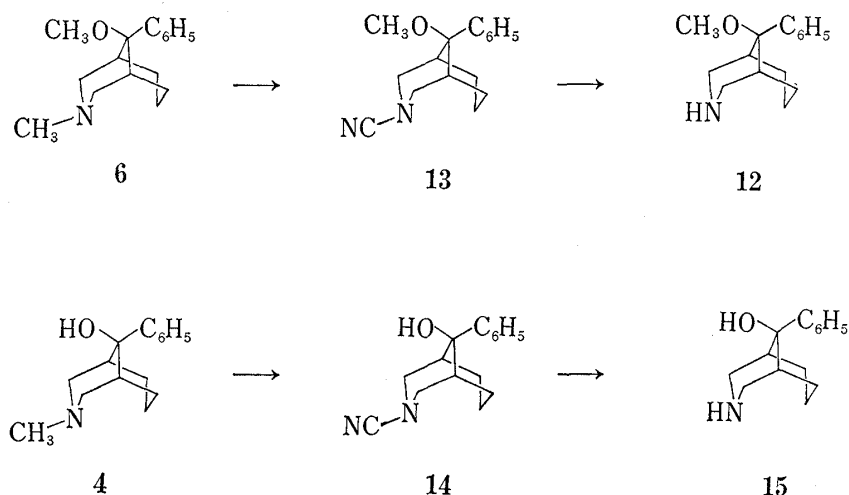


Chart 2

TABLE II. Analgesic Effect of 3-Azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane Derivatives⁷⁾

No.	Substances			Activity ED ₅₀ (mg/kg, s.c.)	Toxicity LD ₅₀ (mg/kg, s.c.)
	R ₁	R ₂	R ₃		
9	CH ₃ O	<i>p</i> -CH ₃ -C ₆ H ₄	CH ₃	50	>100
10	CH ₃ O	<i>p</i> -CH ₃ O-C ₆ H ₄	CH ₃	38	>200
11	CH ₃ O	<i>p</i> -Cl-C ₆ H ₄	CH ₃	>50	—
12	CH ₃ O	C ₆ H ₅	H	>50	140
16	CH ₃ O	C ₆ H ₅	CH ₃ CH ₂ OCH ₂ CH ₂	14.5	ca. 200 (<i>i.p.</i>)
17	CH ₃ O	C ₆ H ₅	CH ₂ =CHCH ₂	17.2	ca. 300 (<i>i.p.</i>)
18	CH ₃ O	C ₆ H ₅	C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂	>50	>300
19	CH ₃ O	C ₆ H ₅	C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ CH ₂	1.25	>400
20	C ₂ H ₅ O	C ₆ H ₅	C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ CH ₂	4.1	200
21	C ₆ H ₅	CH ₃ O	CH ₃	ca. 5.0	50—100

presence of acid. The N-desmethyl compound (**12**) thus obtained exhibited a strong toxicity, but no significant analgesic activity as shown in the Table II. It was found that the N-desmethyl (**12**) and N,O-demethylated compounds (**15**) are important metabolites of the 9 β -methoxy derivative (**6**) which are detected when the latter is administered subcutaneously in rats or incubated with liver homogenates of rats.¹⁰

Some N-variants (**16—20**), which will be described below, were synthesized by treatment of the N-desmethyl compound (**12**) with alkyl halide or by the analogous N-alkylation of the N,O-demethylated compound (**15**) followed by treatment with acidic alcohol. The N-(β -ethoxyethyl) compound (**16**) and the N-allyl compound (**17**) were only weakly active as shown in Table II, and the latter compound showed no morphine antagonistic action contrary to expectation. The N-benzyl compound (**18**) exhibited no marked activity while the N-phenethyl compound (**19**) showed high activity which was more than three times of that of the parent compound (**6**), and also with a lower toxicity. This is similar to the N-phenethyl variants of other analgesic phenylpiperidine derivatives including meperidine.¹¹ The ethoxy analog (**20**) of the N-phenethyl compound (**19**) exhibited weaker activity than that of **19**.

A C-9 isomer of the 9 β -methoxy compound (**6**), 3-methyl-9 α -methoxy-9 β -phenyl-3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (**21**) was isolated from the recrystallization mother liquors of **6** in a low yield (*cf.* Experimental). The nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectrum of **21** exhibited a singlet absorption at 1.98 ppm due to the N-methyl protons, suggesting that the methoxy group has α -configuration.⁹ This isomer (**21**) showed a high analgesic activity almost equal to **6**. This suggests a low degree of stereochemical specificity for analgesic activity of these 9-methoxy compounds (**6** and **21**) and supports proposals⁵ inferred by Portoghese, *et al.* from their study on meperidine analogs with a methylene bridge.

Finally, we would like to mention other marked pharmacological properties of some azabicyclic compounds. 3-Methyl-9 β -hydroxy-3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (**22**) and its 9 α -hydroxy isomer (**23**) were prepared by reduction of 3-methyl-3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane-9-one.³ The 9 β -hydroxy compound (**22**) showed hypotensive activity almost same as that of "Hexamethonium" in cats and slightly relaxation in isolated ileum of guinea pigs, while the 9 α -hydroxy isomer (**23**) does not show any such activity except a weak antiinflammatory effect. The benzoate of **22** (**24**) displayed a marked local anaesthetic action almost equal to that of procaine hydrochloride, but weaker than cocaine hydrochloride, by corneal reflex test¹² of guinea pigs as shown in Table III and also exhibited slightly-spasmodic action in isolated ileum of the same animals. The benzoate of **23** (**25**) exhibited local anaesthetic activity weaker than its isomer (**24**). Furthermore, 3-methyl-8 β -benzoyloxy-3-azabicyclo[3.2.1]octane (**26**), which was prepared by reduction of the corresponding C-8 ketone and benzoylation, showed a strong analogous action but its toxicity was quite high as shown in the Table III. These benzoates would be physiologically of interest as cocaine analogs.



Chart 3

Experimental¹³

Hydrogen Citrates—The preparation of free bases (**4—8**) was described in previous papers.²⁻⁴ To a solution of an equivalent amount of citric acid in MeOH was added dropwise a solution of a base in ether

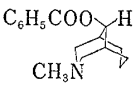
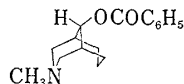
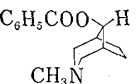
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TABLE III. Local Anaesthetic Action of Azabicyclic Compounds

No.	Compounds ^{a)}	Activity ED ₅₀ (% w/v)	Toxicity LD ₅₀ (mg/kg, <i>i.p.</i>)
24		0.33	ca. 100
25		0.5—1	> 300
26		0.1—0.5	10—30
	procaine hydrochloride	0.36	—

a) Given as diluted HCl solutions.

and the resulting precipitates were collected. Recrystallization from MeOH gave analytical samples. Melting points and analyses of these hydrogen citrates are given in Table IV.

3-Methyl-9 β -methoxy-9 α -(*p*-tolyl)- (9), -9 α -(*p*-methoxyphenyl)- (10), and -9 α -(*p*-chlorophenyl)-3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (11)—As in the procedure described for 6,²⁻⁴⁾ these compounds were prepared as follows: Treatment of a solution of 3-methyl-3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonan-9-one³⁾ in tetrahydrofuran with an ethereal solution of *p*-tolylmagnesium bromide afforded a mixture of 3-methyl-9 α -hydroxy-9 β -(*p*-tolyl)-3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane, mp 78°, needles, and its 9 β -hydroxy-9 α -(*p*-tolyl) isomer, mp 80°, needles. *Anal.* Calcd. for C₁₆H₂₃ON: C, 78.32; H, 9.45; N, 5.71. Found (for 9 α -hydroxy compound): C, 78.07; H, 9.50; N, 5.71; (for 9 β -hydroxy compound): C, 77.91; H, 9.44; N, 5.59.

Treatment of the mixture thereby obtained in boiling MeOH in the presence of H₂SO₄ gave 9, mp 86—88°, as leaflets. *Anal.* Calcd. for C₁₇H₂₅ON: C, 78.71; H, 9.72; N, 5.40. Found: C, 78.66; H, 9.74; N, 5.26.

Similarly, treatment of the same 9-one³⁾ with *p*-methoxyphenylmagnesium bromide afforded a mixture of the corresponding 9 α -hydroxy compound, mp 119—121°, needles, and 9 β -hydroxy compound, mp 94—96°, needles. *Anal.* Calcd. for C₁₆H₂₃O₂N: C, 73.53; H, 8.87; N, 5.36. Found (for 9 α -hydroxy compound): C, 73.43; H, 8.89; N, 5.55; (for 9 β -hydroxy compound): C, 73.56; H, 8.99; N, 5.20.

Treatment of the mixture with methanolic H₂SO₄ gave 10, mp 73—74°, as prisms. *Anal.* Calcd. for C₁₇H₂₅O₂N: C, 74.14; H, 9.15; N, 5.09. Found: C, 74.09; H, 9.00; N, 5.28.

Analogously, treatment of the 9-one with *p*-chlorophenylmagnesium bromide afforded a mixture of the corresponding 9 α -hydroxy compound, mp 91—92°, needles, and its 9 β -isomer, mp 86—87°, needles. *Anal.* Calcd. for C₁₅H₂₀ONCl: C, 67.78; H, 7.59; N, 5.27. Found: (for 9 α -hydroxy compound): C, 67.78; H, 7.56; N, 5.17; (for 9 β -hydroxy compound): C, 67.69; H, 7.53; N, 5.21.

Treatment of the mixture with methanolic H₂SO₄ gave 11, mp 54—56°, as prisms. *Anal.* Calcd. for C₁₆H₂₂ONCl: C, 68.68; H, 7.93; N, 5.01. Found: C, 69.26; H, 8.03; N, 5.05.

3-Cyano-9 β -methoxy-9 α -phenyl-3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (13)—To a cooled solution of 5.0 g of 3-methyl-9 β -methoxy-9 α -phenyl-3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane⁴⁾ in 10 ml of CHCl₃ was added 10 ml of 35% solution of BrCN in CHCl₃ and the mixture was refluxed for 16 hr. Then, the mixture was poured into ice-water and the organic layer was collected. After successive washing with 2N HCl and H₂O, and drying, the CHCl₃ solution was evaporated *in vacuo*, leaving a crystalline mass which was recrystallized from MeOH to give 3.7 g of 13, mp 130—132°, as prisms. IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{Nujol}}$: 2180 cm⁻¹. NMR (CDCl₃) δ ppm: 1.2—2.5 (6H, m), 2.63 (2H, br.), 2.78 (3H, s), 3.33 (2H, br. d, *J*=11 cps), 4.03 (2H, dd, *J*=11 and 3 cps), 7.42 (5H, br. s). *Anal.* Calcd. for C₁₆H₂₀ON₂: C, 74.96; H, 7.86; N, 10.93. Found: C, 74.45; H, 7.98; N, 10.72.

3-Cyano-9 β -hydroxy-9 α -phenyl-3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (14)—To a cooled solution of 30.0 g of 3-methyl-9 β -hydroxy-9 α -phenyl-3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (4) in 50 ml of benzene was added dropwise a solution of 15.5 g of BrCN in 30 ml of benzene, and the resulting mixture was warmed at 60° for 7 hr. Then, the mixture was poured onto ice-water and the organic layer was collected. The H₂O layer was once extracted with CHCl₃ and the combined organic layer and extract was dried over anhyd. Na₂SO₄ and evaporated *in vacuo*, leaving a crystalline mass which was recrystallized from benzene to give 25.0 g (71.5%) of 14, mp 178—180°, as prisms. IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{Nujol}}$ cm⁻¹: 3410, 2180. NMR (CDCl₃) δ ppm: 3.27 (2H, br. d), 4.07 (2H, dd), 7.43 (5H, s). *Anal.* Calcd. for C₁₅H₁₈ON₂: C, 74.35; H, 7.49; N, 11.56. Found: C, 74.21; H, 7.39; N, 11.41.

9 β -Hydroxy-9 α -phenyl-3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (15)—To a gently boiling, stirred solution of 3.14 g of LiAlH₄ in 30 ml of tetrahydrofuran was added dropwise a solution of 10.0 g of 14 in 50 ml of tetrahydrofuran and the mixture was refluxed for 5 hr. The cooled reaction mixture was diluted with ca. 150 ml of CHCl₃ and 80 ml of H₂O was carefully added with cooling and stirring. After filtration from the solid, the CHCl₃ layer was dried over anhyd. Na₂SO₄ and evaporated *in vacuo*, leaving a viscous liquid which crystallized

on digestion with ether. Recrystallization from ether gave 7.00 g (77.8%) of **15** as prisms of mp 153—155°. IR $\nu_{\max}^{\text{Nujol}}$: 3150 cm^{-1} (br.). NMR (CDCl_3) δ ppm: 1.1—2.2 (8H, m), 2.33 (2H, br.), 2.92 (2H, br. d, $J=12.5$ cps), 3.67 (2H, dd, $J=12.5$ and 3 cps), 7.2—7.7 (5H, m). *Anal.* Calcd. for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{19}\text{ON}$: C, 77.38; H, 8.81; N, 6.45. Found: C, 77.14; H, 8.82; N, 6.64.

Acetylation of **15** with Ac_2O -pyridine afforded the N-acetate, mp 153—155°, as prisms. IR $\nu_{\max}^{\text{Nujol}}$ cm^{-1} : 3300, 1617.

9 β -Methoxy-9 α -phenyl-3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (12)—To a cooled solution of 1.019 g of **15** in 10 ml of absolute MeOH was added 1 ml of conc. H_2SO_4 and the mixture was refluxed for 7 hr. After concentrating to 1/3 volume, the mixture was poured into ice-water and extracted twice with CHCl_3 after making base by addition of conc. NH_4OH . The combined extracts were dried over Na_2SO_4 and evaporated *in vacuo*, leaving 1.023 g of crude **12** as a syrup. Thin-layer chromatography (TLC) or vapor-phase chromatography of this syrup indicated that the syrup contained 10% of an isomeric substance. Distillation of this syrup yielded a syrup of bp 145° (0.3 mmHg) which crystallized on standing, giving **12** as prisms, mp 64°. IR ν_{\max}^{liq} cm^{-1} : 3540, 3380, 2500 (br.). NMR (CDCl_3) δ ppm: 1.1—2.3 (6H, m), 2.78 (3H, s), 2.60 (2H, br.), 3.0—4.4 (4H, m), 6.91 (1H, br.), 7.42 (5H, br. s). *Anal.* Calcd. for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{21}\text{ON}$: C, 77.88; H, 9.15; N, 6.05. Found: C, 77.05; H, 9.03; N, 6.07.

Acetylation of the syrup thus obtained with Ac_2O -pyridine gave an N-acetate of **12**, mp 115—121°, as plates (from benzene-hexane). IR $\nu_{\max}^{\text{Nujol}}$: 1640 cm^{-1} . NMR (CDCl_3) δ ppm: 1.1—2.2 (6H, m), 2.14 (3H, s), 2.70 (2H, br.), 2.81 (3H, s), 3.2—4.7 (4H, m), 7.44 (5H, br. s). *Anal.* Calcd. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{23}\text{O}_2\text{N}$: C, 74.69; H, 8.48; N, 5.12. Found: C, 74.84; H, 8.51; N, 5.25.

The N-acetate of **12** was also obtained from the N-acetate of **15** by treatment with methanolic H_2SO_4 .

Conversion of 13 into 12—To a solution of 4.1 g of LiAlH_4 in 50 ml of tetrahydrofuran was added a solution of 10 g of **13** in the same solvent and the mixture was refluxed for 3 hr. As described above for the preparation of **15**, treatment of the mixture followed by chromatographic purification gave a small amount of **12** as a syrup which was identified with the sample obtained earlier. Further, acetylation of the syrup afforded the N-acetate of **12**, mp 115—121°, which was also identified by comparison of physical properties.

3-(β -Phenylethyl)-9 β -methoxy- (19) and -9 β -ethoxy-9 α -phenyl-3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (20)—A mixture of 3.0 g of **15**, 2.82 g of β -phenylethyl bromide, 9.0 g of K_2CO_3 , and 50 ml of *sec*-BuOH was refluxed for 2 hr with stirring. The cooled mixture was filtered and the filtrate was evaporated *in vacuo* to dryness, leaving 4.4 g of 3-(β -phenylethyl)-9 β -hydroxy-9 α -phenyl-3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane, mp 101—105°. IR $\nu_{\max}^{\text{Nujol}}$: 3470, 1049, 979, 771, 702. *Anal.* Calcd. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{27}\text{ON}$: C, 82.20; H, 8.47; N, 4.36. Found: C, 81.58; H, 8.38; N, 4.34.

To a solution of 4.9 g of the 9-hydroxy compound thus obtained in 50 ml of absolute MeOH was added dropwise 5 ml of conc. H_2SO_4 and the mixture was refluxed for 5 hr. Then, the mixture was concentrated *in vacuo* to half volume, diluted with 5 ml of H_2O , made basic with conc. NH_4OH and extracted twice with CHCl_3 . Evaporation of the extract left 4.4 g of crude **19** as crystals, which were recrystallized from MeOH-ether to give prisms, mp 58—59.5°. IR $\nu_{\max}^{\text{Nujol}}$ cm^{-1} : 1605, 1497, 1462, 1142, 1078. NMR (CDCl_3) δ ppm: 2.78 (3H, s), 7.28 (5H, s), 7.42 (5H, m). *Anal.* Calcd. for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{29}\text{ON}$: C, 82.34; H, 8.71; N, 4.18. Found: C, 82.39; H, 8.70; N, 4.09.

In a similar way, treatment of the 9-hydroxy compound described above with ethanolic H_2SO_4 to afford the 9 β -ethoxy compound (**20**) as syrup. The analytical sample was purified by column chromatography on silica gel. IR ν_{\max}^{liq} cm^{-1} : 1600, 1495, 1454, 1070, 764, 700. *Anal.* Calcd. for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{31}\text{ON}$: C, 82.47; H, 8.94; N, 4.01. Found: C, 82.33; H, 8.89; N, 3.84.

3-(β -Ethoxyethyl)- (16), 3-(2-Propenyl)- (17), and 3-Benzyl-9 β -methoxy-9 α -phenyl-3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (18)—Similar to the preparation of **19**, treatment of **15** with β -ethoxyethyl bromide afforded the corresponding tertiary amine, bp 170—177° (0.15 mmHg, bath temp.). IR ν_{\max}^{liq} cm^{-1} : 3400, 1460, 1100, 1039, 770, 701. *Anal.* Calcd. for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{27}\text{O}_2\text{N}$: C, 74.70; H, 9.40; N, 4.84. Found: C, 74.46; H, 9.46; N, 4.50.

Further treatment of the tertiary amine thus obtained with methanolic H_2SO_4 gave **16** as a syrup, bp 160—165° (0.2 mmHg, bath temp.). IR ν_{\max}^{liq} cm^{-1} : 1458, 1112, 1080, 764, 702. *Anal.* Calcd. for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{29}\text{O}_2\text{N}$: C, 75.20; H, 9.63; N, 4.62. Found: C, 75.04; H, 9.47; N, 4.91.

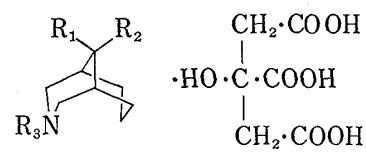
Treatment of **15** with allyl bromide gave a N-allyl derivative, mp 87—90°. IR $\nu_{\max}^{\text{Nujol}}$ cm^{-1} : 3460, 1036, 996, 915, 760, 698. *Anal.* Calcd. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{23}\text{ON}$: C, 79.33; H, 9.01; N, 5.44. Found: C, 78.61; H, 8.94; N, 5.30.

Treatment of the N-allyl derivative with methanolic H_2SO_4 also gave **17**, bp 175—180° (0.45 mmHg, bath temp.). IR ν_{\max}^{liq} cm^{-1} : 1460, 1078, 994, 915, 772, 703. *Anal.* Calcd. for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{25}\text{ON}$: C, 79.66; H, 9.29; N, 5.16. Found: C, 79.15; H, 9.24; N, 5.31.

Analogously, treatment of **15** with benzyl bromide gave a N-benzyl derivative, mp 89—90°, which was further treated with methanolic H_2SO_4 , giving **18** as a syrup. IR ν_{\max}^{liq} cm^{-1} : 1601, 1495, 1455, 1079, 764, 733, 702. The analytical sample was obtained as its hydrogen citrate.

3-Methyl-9 α -methoxy-9 β -phenyl-3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (21)—The mother liquor left by recrystallization of 3-methyl-9 β -methoxy-9 α -phenyl-3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane⁴⁾ (**6**) was evaporated *in vacuo* and the

TABLE IV. Physical Constants of Azabicyclic Compound Hydrogen Citrates



No.	Compound			mp (decomp.)	Formula	Analysis (%)					
	R ₁	R ₂	R ₃			Calcd.			Found		
						C	H	N	C	H	N
4	HO	C ₆ H ₅	CH ₃	160	C ₂₁ H ₂₉ O ₈ N· ½H ₂ O	58.32	6.99	3.24	58.74	7.01	3.27
5	C ₂ H ₅ - COO	C ₆ H ₅	CH ₃	160	C ₂₄ H ₃₃ O ₉ N	60.11	6.94	2.92	59.65	6.80	3.17
6	CH ₃ O	C ₆ H ₅	CH ₃	207	C ₂₂ H ₃₁ O ₈ N	60.40	7.14	3.20	60.21	7.19	3.12
7	C ₂ H ₅ O	C ₆ H ₅	CH ₃	151	C ₂₃ H ₃₃ O ₈ N· ½H ₂ O	59.99	7.44	3.04	60.29	7.40	3.10
8	C ₃ H ₇ O	C ₆ H ₅	CH ₃	148	C ₂₄ H ₃₅ O ₈ N	61.92	7.58	3.01	61.52	7.42	3.21
9	CH ₃ O	<i>p</i> -CH ₃ - C ₆ H ₄	CH ₃	205	C ₂₃ H ₃₃ O ₈ N· ½H ₂ O	59.98	7.44	3.04	60.32	7.28	3.05
10	CH ₃ O	<i>p</i> -CH ₃ O- C ₆ H ₄	CH ₃	174	C ₂₃ H ₃₃ O ₉ N· H ₂ O	56.89	7.27	2.89	57.12	7.39	3.18
11	CH ₃ O	<i>p</i> -Cl-C ₆ H ₄	CH ₃	202	C ₂₂ H ₃₀ O ₈ NCl	55.99	6.40	2.96	60.41	6.80	2.66
12	CH ₃ O	C ₆ H ₅	H	syrup	C ₂₁ H ₂₉ O ₈ N	58.38	7.10	3.40	58.11	7.20	3.14
16	CH ₃ O	C ₆ H ₅	CH ₃ CH ₂ OCH ₂ - CH ₂	amorphous	C ₂₅ H ₃₇ O ₉ N	60.59	7.53	2.83	60.73	7.60	3.22
17	CH ₃ O	C ₆ H ₅	CH ₂ =CHCH ₂	amorphous	C ₂₄ H ₃₃ O ₈ N· H ₂ O	59.86	7.33	2.91	60.05	7.92	3.00
18	CH ₃ O	C ₆ H ₅	C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂	amorphous	C ₂₈ H ₃₅ O ₈ N	65.48	6.87	2.73	64.51	7.05	3.15
19	CH ₃ O	C ₆ H ₅	C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ CH ₂	amorphous	C ₂₉ H ₃₇ O ₈ N· H ₂ O	63.83	7.21	2.57	64.16	7.26	2.53
20	C ₂ H ₅ O	C ₆ H ₅	C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ CH ₂	amorphous	C ₃₀ H ₂₉ O ₈ N· H ₂ O	64.38	7.38	2.51	64.02	7.50	2.21
21	C ₆ H ₅	CH ₃ O	CH ₃	syrup	C ₂₂ H ₃₁ O ₈ N· H ₂ O	58.01	7.30	3.08	58.14	7.05	2.99

residue was chromatographed over silica gel. Fast running fractions eluted with benzene-hexane (1:1, v/v) was collected and evaporated, leaving **21** as a syrup. Successive fractions with the same solvent mixture was found by means of TLC to contain a mixture of **21** and **6** which was repeatedly chromatographed and afforded a further crop of **21** as a syrup. NMR (CDCl₃) δ ppm: 1.3—2.95 (12H, m), 1.98 (3H, s), 2.75 (3H, s), 7.15—7.6 (5H, m).

The hydrogen citrate of **21** gave a satisfactory analytical result, but was not obtainable as crystals.

3-Methyl-9β-benzoyloxy- (**24**) and **9α-Benzoyloxy-3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane** (**25**)—A solution of 1.48 g of 3-methyl-9β-hydroxy-3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane³⁾ (**22**) and 1.47 g of benzoyl chloride in 25 ml of dry CHCl₃ was refluxed for 2 hr. The solvent was evaporated *in vacuo* and the residual syrup was triturated with ether, yielding a solid which was collected and washed with ether. The solid was dissolved in 15 ml of H₂O and made basic with conc. NH₄OH. The resulting syrup was extracted with ether and the extract was evaporated to leave a syrup which was triturated with MeOH, yielding 1.24 g of **24** as rods of mp 56.5—58.5°. IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{NaIol}}$: 1722 cm⁻¹. NMR (CDCl₃) δ ppm: 2.18 (3H, s), 5.03 (1H, t, *J*=3 cps), 7.3—8.3 (5H, m). Anal. Calcd. for C₁₆H₂₁O₂N: C, 74.10; H, 8.16; N, 5.40. Found: C, 74.02; H, 8.18; N, 5.38.

An ethereal solution of **24** was treated with HCl gas to give its hydrochloride, mp 206—216° (decomp.).

The isomeric 9α-benzoyloxy derivative (**25**) was also prepared in the analogous way and melted at 105°. IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{NaIol}}$: 1711 cm⁻¹. NMR (CDCl₃) δ ppm: 2.18 (3H, s), 2.40 (2H, br. d, *J*=12 cps), 2.97 (2H, br. d, *J*=12 cps), 5.03 (1H, t, *J*=3 cps), 7.3—8.3 (5H, m). Anal. Calcd. for C₁₆H₂₁O₂N: C, 74.10; H, 8.16; N, 5.40. Found: C, 73.95; H, 8.04; N, 5.61.

3-Methyl-8β-benzoyloxy-3-azabicyclo[3.2.1]octane (**26**)—A solution of 1.41 g of 3-methyl-8β-hydroxy-3-azabicyclo[3.2.1]octane³⁾ and 1.41 g of benzoyl chloride in 15 ml of CHCl₃ was refluxed for 2 hr. The mixture was evaporated *in vacuo* and the crystalline residue was washed with ether, giving 2.66 g of crude hydrochloride of **26** which was recrystallized from acetone-EtOH to give crystals of mp 230° (decomp.).

The crude hydrochloride was dissolved in H₂O and treated with excess conc. NH₄OH. The resulting syrup was extracted with ether and the extract was evaporated after drying, leaving 2.12 g of crude **26**, mp 61.5—63° which was recrystallized from MeOH to **26**, mp 62—63.5°, as prisms. IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{Nujol}}$: 1725 cm⁻¹, NMR (CDCl₃) δ ppm: 2.30 (3H, s), 4.99 (1H, t, $J=4.8$ cps), 7.3—8.25 (5H, m). *Anal.* Calcd. for C₁₅H₁₉O₂N: C, 73.44; H, 7.81; N, 5.71. Found: C, 73.25; H, 7.81; N, 5.78.

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